





# Marlin renderer, a JDK-9 Success Story

Vector Graphics on Steroids for Java 2D and JavaFX



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## Context & History

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# Role of an Anti-aliasing Renderer



- Geometry is defined by a **mathematical description of a path**
- **Shapes** may be complex: concave, convex, intersecting ...
- To draw to any kind of raster surface (image, screen), need to map the rendering of ideal path to raster coordinates
- **Points on the path** may rarely map exactly to **raster coordinates**
- Need to ascertain **coverage (anti-aliasing)** for each output pixel





## Java2D is a great & powerful Graphics API:

- Shape interface (`java.awt.geom`)
  - Primitives: `Rectangle2D`, `Line2D`, `Ellipse2D`, `Arc2D` ...
  - General `Path2D`: `moveTo()`, `lineTo()`, `quadTo()`, `curveTo()`, `closeTo()`
- Stroke interface: `BasicStroke` (width, dashes fields)
- Paint interface: `Color`, `GradientPaint`, `TexturePaint`
- Composite interface: `AlphaComposite` (Porter/Duff blending rules)
- Graphics interface: `Graphics2D draw(Shape)` or `fill(Shape)`  
**performs shape rendering operations**

# Background (before Marlin)



**Anti-aliasing renderers available** in Java:

- JDK 1.2 included licensed **closed-source** technology from **Ductus**
  - Ductus provides **high performance, but single threaded**
  - State of the art for its time
  - Ductus still ships with Oracle JDK-9
  - `sun.dc.DuctusRenderingEngine` (native C code)
- However **OpenJDK** 1.6 replaced Ductus with "**Pisces**"
  - Pisces developed + owned by Sun, in part for Java ME
  - So could be **open-sourced but performance much poorer**
  - `java2d.pisces.PiscesRenderingEngine` (java code)

**Note: Other renderers for non-AA cases**

# Marlin renderer = OpenJDK's Pisces fork



Status in 2013:

- **OpenGL & D3D pipelines provide only few accelerated operations** (blending surfaces), except the `glg2d Graphics2D`
- `BufferedImage` blending made by software loops (C macros)

**2013.3: My first patches to OpenJDK-8:**

- **Pisces patches** to `2d-dev@openjdk.java.net`: too late for JDK-8
- Small interest / few feedbacks

**Andréa Aimé** (GeoServer team) pushed me to go on:

- **Fork OpenJDK's Pisces as a new open-source project**
- New **MapBench** tool: serialize & replay rendering commands



⇒ 2014.1: **Marlin renderer** & MapBench projects @ github (GPL v2)

- <https://github.com/bourgesl/marlin-renderer>
  - branch '**openjdk-dev**': **dev branch**
  - branch 'openjdk': in sync with OpenJDK-9 & 10
  - branch '**use\_Unsafe**': **main for Marlin releases**
  - [28 Releases](#), [Wiki](#)
- <https://github.com/bourgesl/mapbench>



## Objectives:

- **Faster** alternative with very good scalability
- Improve rendering **quality**
- Compatible with both Oracle & Open JDK 7 / 8 / 9

## Very big personal work:

- **Performance & Test Driven Development:**
  - **Regression** tests: MapDisplay (diff Pisces vs Marlin outputs)
  - **Performance** tests: MapBench benchmarks (+ profiler)
- Major feedback (GeoServer) providing use cases & testing releases

# Marlin renderer back into OpenJDK-9



- **FOSDEM 2015:** Great discussion with OpenJDK managers (Dalibor & Mario) on how to contribute the Marlin renderer back
- ⇒ I joined the **graphics-rasterizer** project in march 2015 to **contribute Marlin as a new standalone renderer for OpenJDK-9**
- I worked really hard (again, single developer) with Jim Graham & Phil Race (reviewers) in 2015 to push 4 big patches ≈ **10,000 LOC** !
  - Reviews improved a lot the code and Computer Graphics algorithms



We proposed the JEP 265 in July 2015 and make it completed:

- **JEP 265: Marlin Graphics Renderer**
- <http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/265>
- **Developer: Laurent Bourgès**
- **Reviewer: Jim Graham**
- Marlin integrated in OpenJDK-9 b96 (dec 2015), enhancements in 2016
- Current **integrated releases** within OpenJDK:

JDK-9	Marlin 0.7.4
JDK-10	Marlin 0.7.5

# Marlin Releases @ github



## Major Releases:

Release	Main features
0.3 [2014.1]	Initial: renderer context, array cache, dirty array
0.4	Internal settings made customizable from system properties
0.5 [2014.3]	Use <b>sun.misc.Unsafe</b> (off-heap memory) (may crash your JVM)
0.5.6 [2015.3]	<b>Optimized merge sort</b> for newly added edges
0.7 [2015.8]	Improve <b>coordinate rounding around sub-pixel center</b> Perform <b>DDA in scan-line edge processing</b> Optimized <b>cubic / quad flattening</b>
0.7.1	Hybrid approach (raw or <b>RLE</b> ) to copy pixel coverages into mask

# Marlin Releases @ github (continued)



## Major Releases:

Release	Main features
0.7.2 [2015.11]	<b>Improve large pixel chunk copies</b> (coverage)
0.7.3.3	<b>Handle coordinate overflow</b> : ignore (NaN / Infinity)
0.7.4 [2016.6]	<b>Array cache refactoring &amp; tuning</b> [-> JDK-9]
0.7.5 [2016.12]	Added the <b>Double pipeline for higher accuracy</b> [-> JDK-10] Optimized tile filling (almost empty / full) <b>Higher precision of the curve conversion</b> to line segments
0.8.0 [2017.8]	Added <b>path clipper for stroked shapes</b> (cap, joins, tx)
0.8.1	Added <b>path clipper for filled shapes</b> (N.Z. winding rule)

# Feedback on contributing to OpenJDK



- **Very interesting experience** & many things learnt
- **License issue: OCA** for all contributors, no third-party code !
- **Webrev process: great but heavy task:**
  - Create webrevs (hg status, webrev.ksh with options)
  - Push on <http://cr.openjdk.java.net/~lbourges/>
  - Long review threads on mailing lists for my patches ( $\approx$  50 mails)
  - Timezone difference: delays + no direct discussion
- **Few Java2D / computer graphics skills:** small field + NO DOC !

# Feedback on contributing to OpenJDK (continued)



In General:

- **Missing active contributors in the Graphics stack (Java2D & JavaFX) !**
- CI: missing 'open' multi-platform machines to perform tests & benchmarks outside of Oracle
- **Funding community-driven effort ?**
  - Support collaboration with outsiders (meeting, costs)
  - Promote Code challenges on focused items

## How Marlin works ?

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# How the Java2D pipeline works ?



Java2D uses one `RenderingEngine` implementation at runtime:

- **Custom impl.** using the System property '`sun.java2d.renderer`'
- Called by `SunGraphics2D.draw/fill(shape)` in Java2D pipeline

```
1 RenderingEngine:  
2     public static synchronized RenderingEngine getInstance();  
3     public AATileGenerator getAATileGenerator(Shape s,  
4                                         AffineTransform at, ...);
```

- The `AATileGenerator` interface defines the tile coverage provider

# How the Java2D pipeline works ?



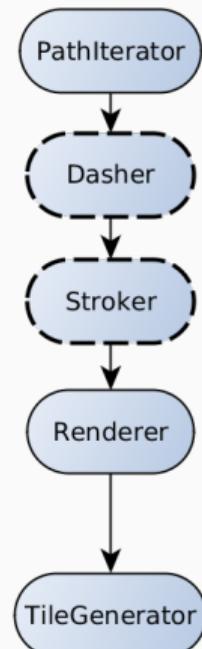
- AAShapePipe.renderPath(shape, stroke)
  - Use RenderingEngine.getAAATileGenerator(shape, at)
    - **Coverage mask computation** (tiles) as alpha transparency [00-FF]
  - getAlpha(byte[] alpha, ...) to get next tile ...
  - Output: pipeline.renderPathTile(byte[] alpha)
    - **Pixel blending** (software / OpenGL pipeline) on dest surface

```
1 AATileGenerator:  
2     public int getTypicalAlpha();  
3     public void nextTile();  
4     public void getAlpha(byte tile[], ...);
```

# How Marlin works ? Pisces / Marlin pipeline



- **MarlinRenderingEngine** pipeline:

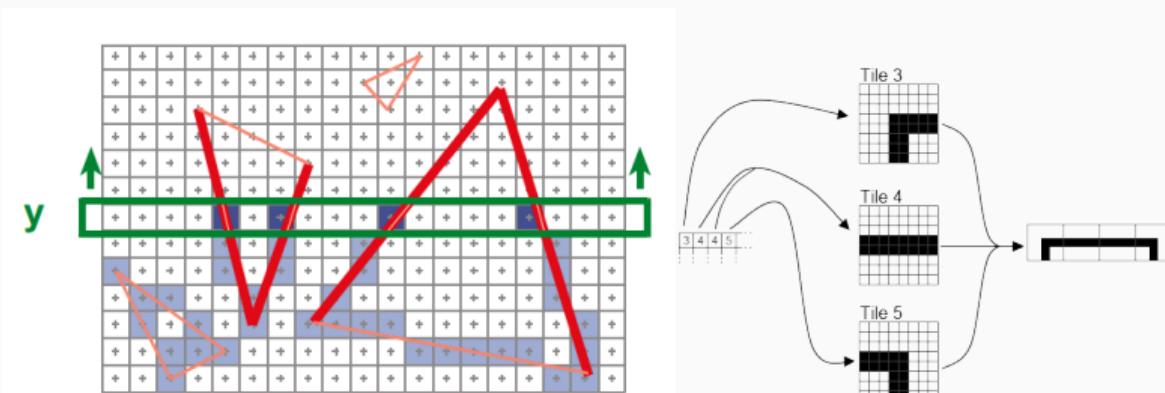


- Apply the pipeline to path elements `Shape.getPathIterator()`
- **Dasher** (optional):
  - Generates path dashes (curved or segments)
- **Stroker** (optional):
  - Generates edges around of every path element & cap & joins
- **Renderer** :
  - Curve decimation into line segments
  - `AddLine()` : basic clipping + convert float to sub-pixel coordinates
  - Perform edge rendering into tile strides ie compute pixel coverages
  - Fill the MarlinCache with pixel coverages as byte[] (alpha)
- **MarlinTileGenerator** :
  - Provide tile data (32x32) from MarlinCache (packed byte[])

# How Marlin works ? the AA algorithm



- Scan-line algorithm [8x8 super-sampling] to estimate pixel coverages  
= Active Edge table (AET) variant with "java" pointers (integer-based)
- (Merge) Sort edges at each scan-line
- Estimate sub-pixel coverages [spans] and accumulate [alpha row]
- Once a pixel row is done: copy pixel coverages into the tile cache
- Once 32 (tile height) pixel rows are done: perform blending & repeat



# Marlin performance optimizations



- Initially **GC High allocation rate issue**:
  - Many **growing arrays + zero-fill**
  - **Many arrays involved** to store edge data, alpha pixel row ...
  - **Value-Types** may be very helpful: manually coded here !
- **RendererContext (TL/CLQ)**: "**zero waste, no GC**" (recycling)
  - Kept by weak / soft reference: see **ReentrantContext**
  - Class instances + **initial arrays takes  $\approx 512\text{Kb}$**
  - Weak-referenced **array cache for larger arrays**
- Other considerations:
  - Use **Unsafe**: allocate/free memory + less bound checks
  - **Optimized Zero-fill** (recycle arrays) on used parts only !
  - Use **dirty arrays** when possible: C like !

# Marlin performance optimizations



- **Need good profiler:** netbeans + oprofile + internal metrics
- **Fine tuning** of Pisces algorithms:
  - Optimized **Merge Sort** (in-place)
  - Custom rounding [float to int]
  - **DDA in Renderer** with correct pixel center handling
  - Tile stride approach (32px) instead of all shape mask
  - Pixel alpha transfers (RLE)  $\Rightarrow$  adaptive approach
  - **Optimized Pixel copies** (block flags)

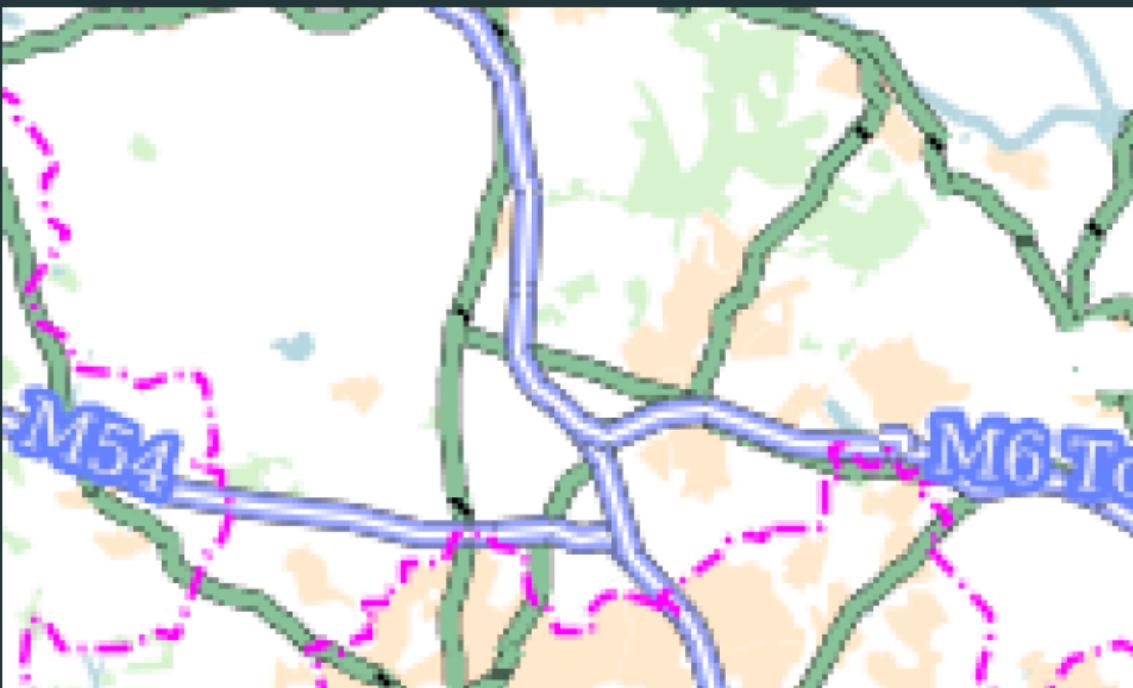
A lot more ...

# Visual quality Quiz

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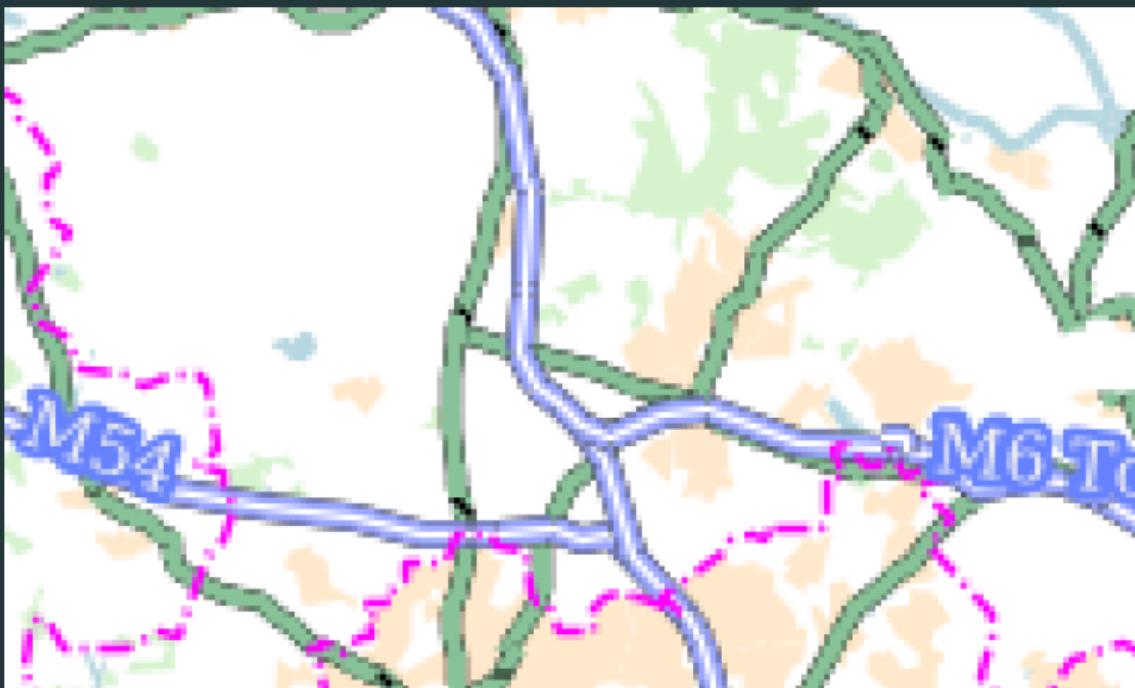


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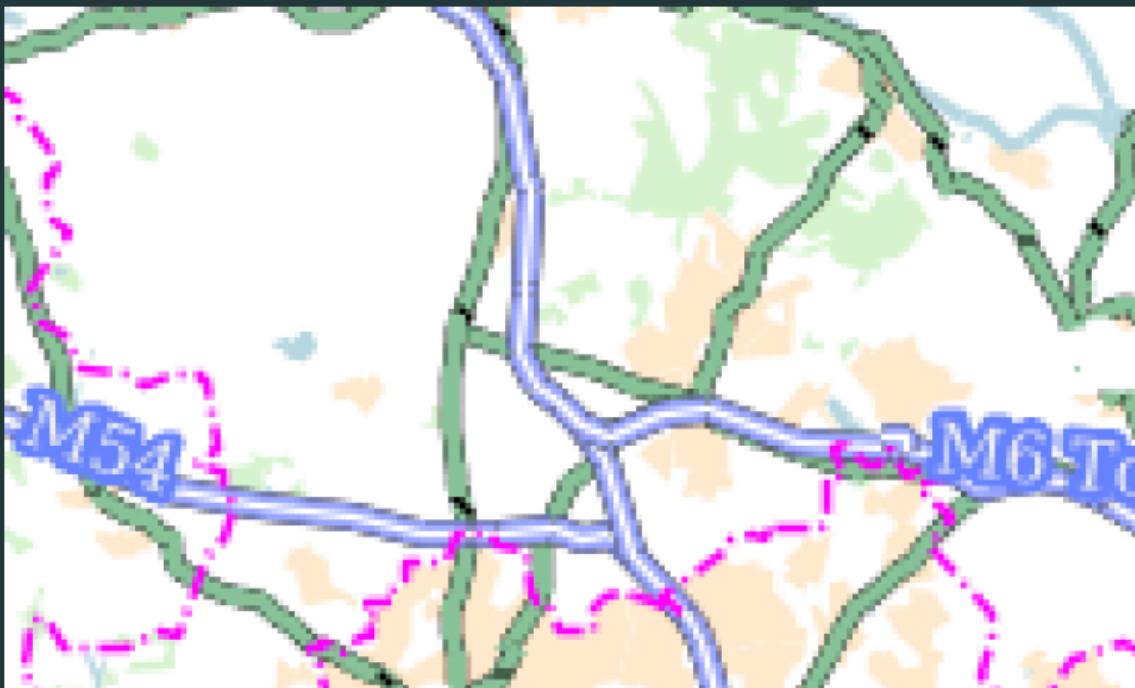


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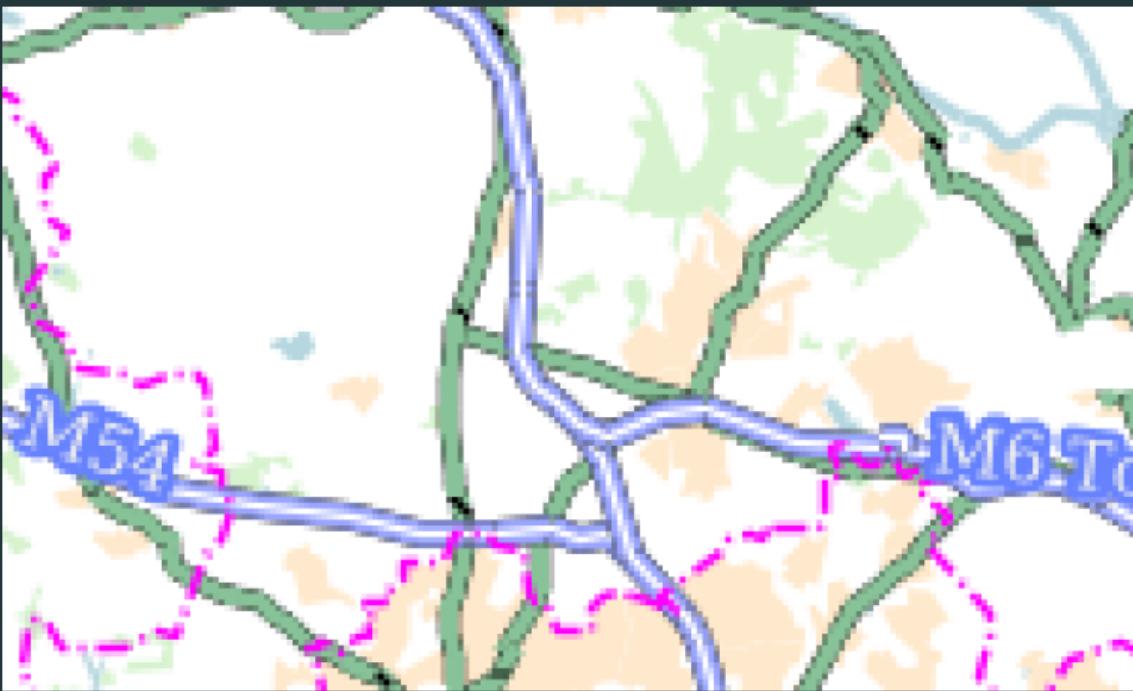


Answer: Ductus



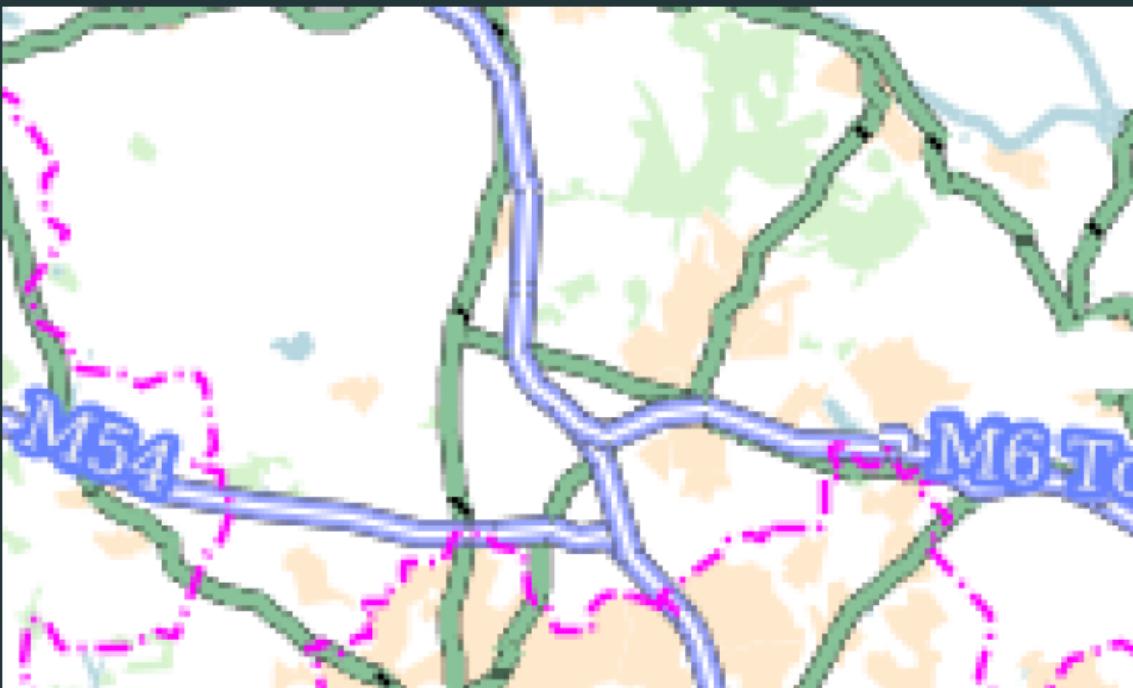


## Answer: Marlin



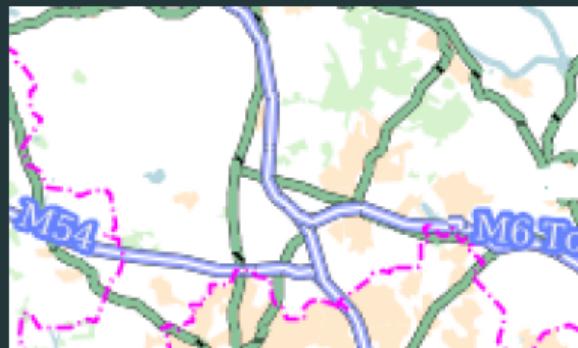


Answer: Pisces

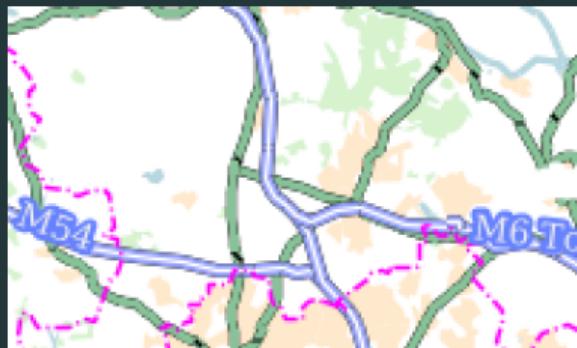




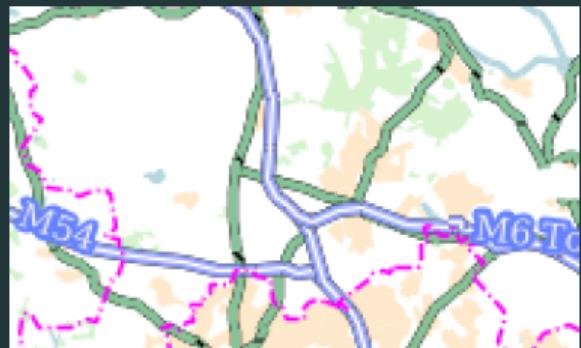
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1. Ductus



2. Marlin



3. Pisces

⇒ Quite an hard challenge !

## Marlin usage & benchmarks

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# How to use Marlin ?



- Just download any Oracle JDK-9 or OpenJDK-9 release
  - Oracle JDK
  - OpenJDK builds: [AdoptOpenJDK.net](#) or [zulu.org](#)
- For JDK 1.7 or JDK-8:
  - Use **Zulu 8 or JetBrains JDK-8u** (marlin integrated)
  - or download the latest [Marlin release @ github](#)
- See [How to use](#)
- Start your java program with:

```
1  java -Xbootclasspath/a:.../lib/marlin-0.7.5-Unsafe.jar  
2      -Dsun.java2d.renderer=sun.java2d.marlin.MarlinRenderingEngine  
3      ...
```



# Major Marlin System properties

System property <KEY> -Dsun.java2d.renderer.<KEY>=	Values	Description
<b>log</b>	true - <b>false</b>	Enable Log (initial settings)
<b>doStats</b>	true - <b>false</b>	Log rendering statistics
useThreadLocal	<b>true</b> - false	RdrCtx in TL or CLQ
edges	<b>4096</b> in [64-64K]	Initial capacity for edges
pixelsize	<b>2048</b> in [64-32K]	Typical shape W/H in pixels
subPixel_log2_X, ...Y	<b>3</b> in [1-8]	Sub-pixel count on X, Y axis
tileSize_log2	<b>5</b> in [3-8]	Pixel width/height for tiles

Log-2 values for sub-pixel & tile sizes: 3 → 8, 5 → 32



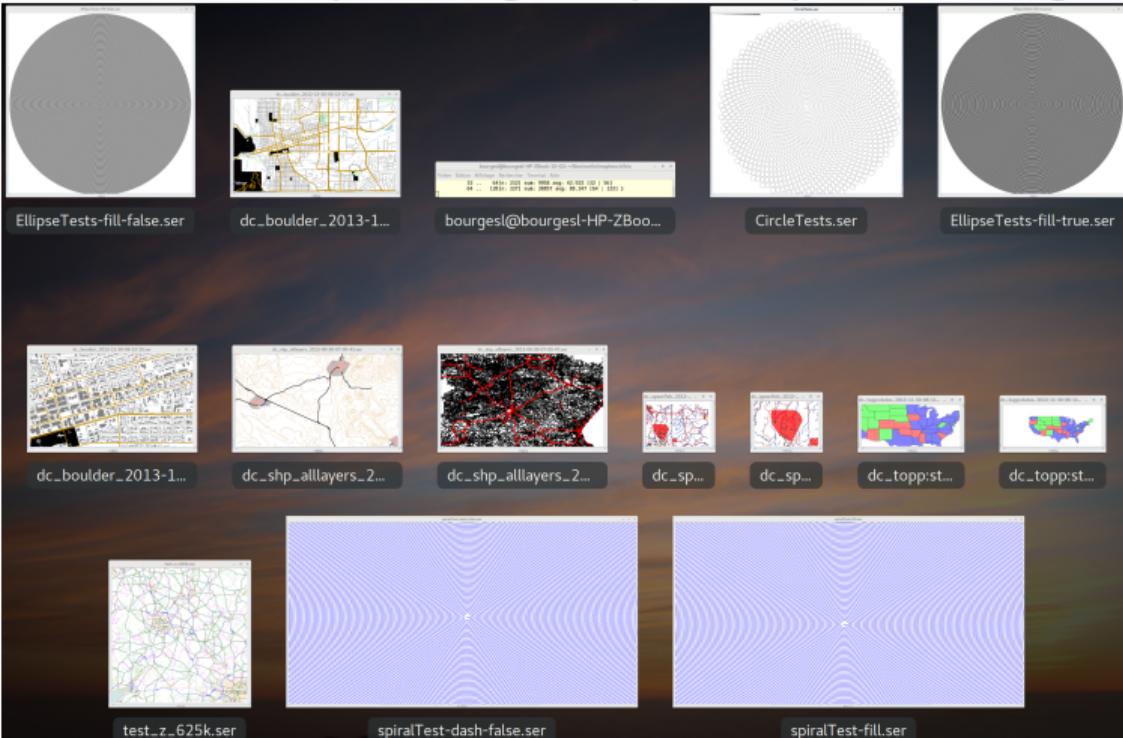
- **MapBench tool:**
  - **Multi-threaded java2d benchmark** that replays serialized graphics commands: see `ShapeDumperGraphics2D`
  - Calibration & warm-up phase at startup + correct statistics [95th percentile...]
- **Protocol:**
  - Disable Hyper-Threading (in BIOS)
  - Use fixed CPU frequencies (2.0 GHz) on my laptop [i7-6820 HQ, 32Gb, Nvidia GPU Quadro M1000, Ubuntu 17.4 64bits]
  - Setup JVM: select JDK + basic jvm settings = CMS GC 2Gb Heap
  - Use the profile 'shared images' to reduce GC overhead

⇒ Reduce variability (and CPU affinity issues)

# MapBench tests



- Test showcase: 9 maps, 5 large ellipse & spiral drawings



## **Marlin usage & benchmarks**

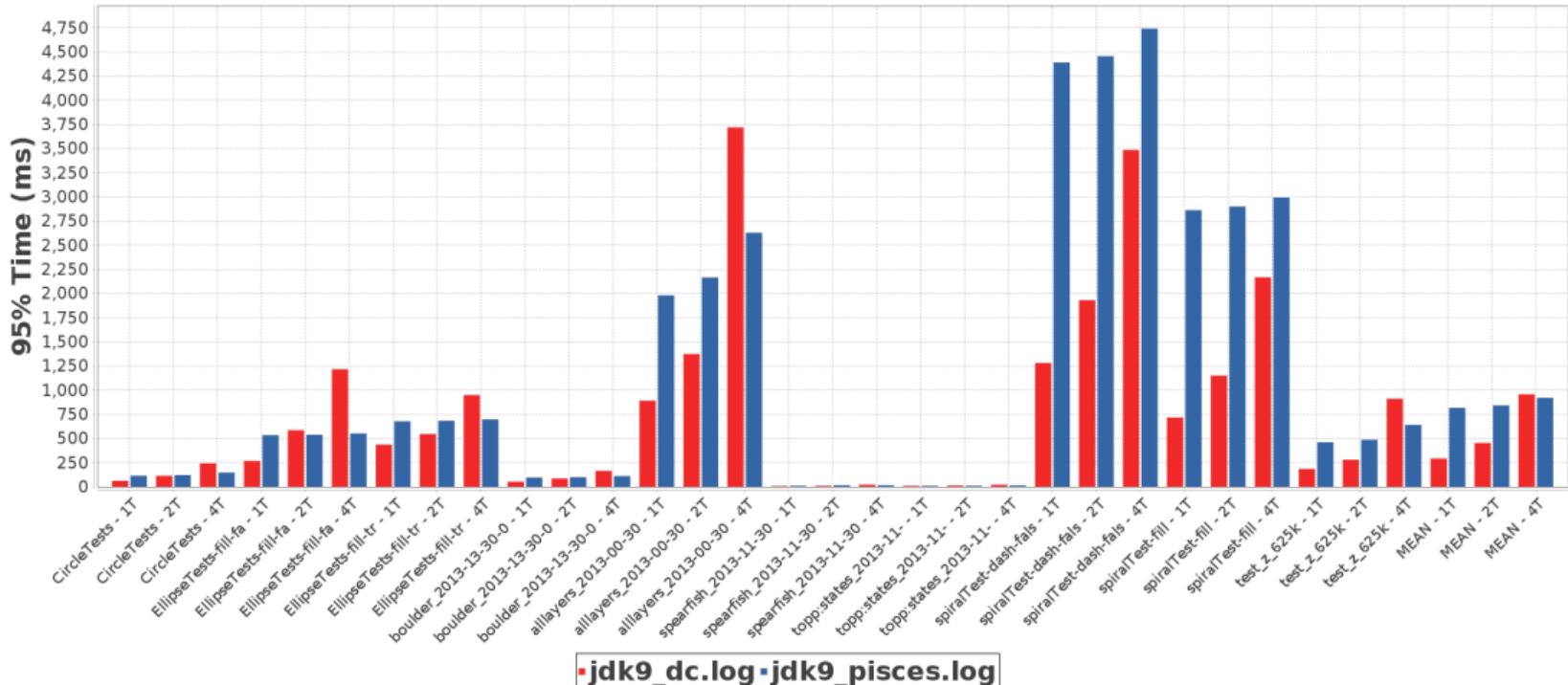
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**Comparing AA renderers in JDK-9  
(Ductus, Pisces, Marlin)**

# Before Marlin (Oracle JDK-9 EA b181)



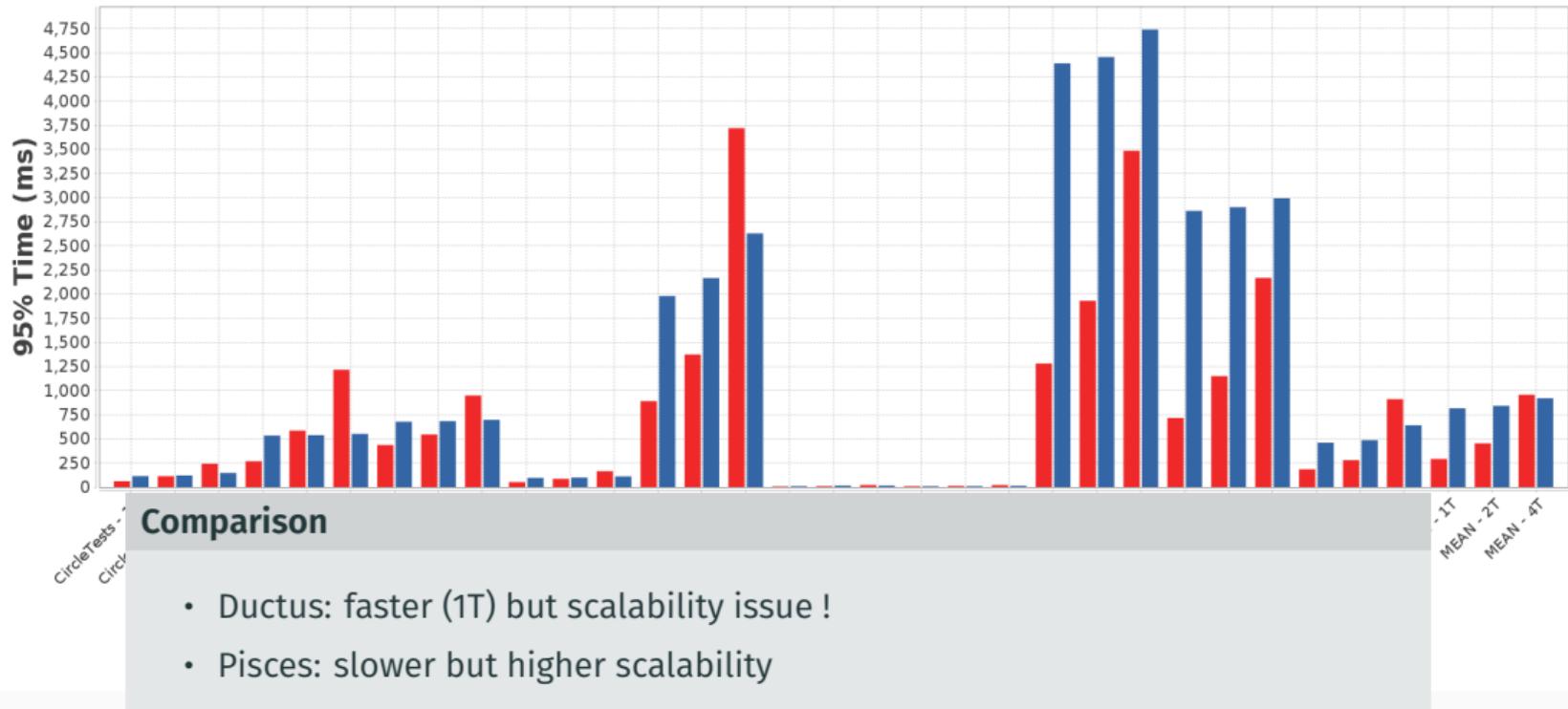
- Oracle JDK **Ductus** & **Pisces**



# Before Marlin (Oracle JDK-9 EA b181)



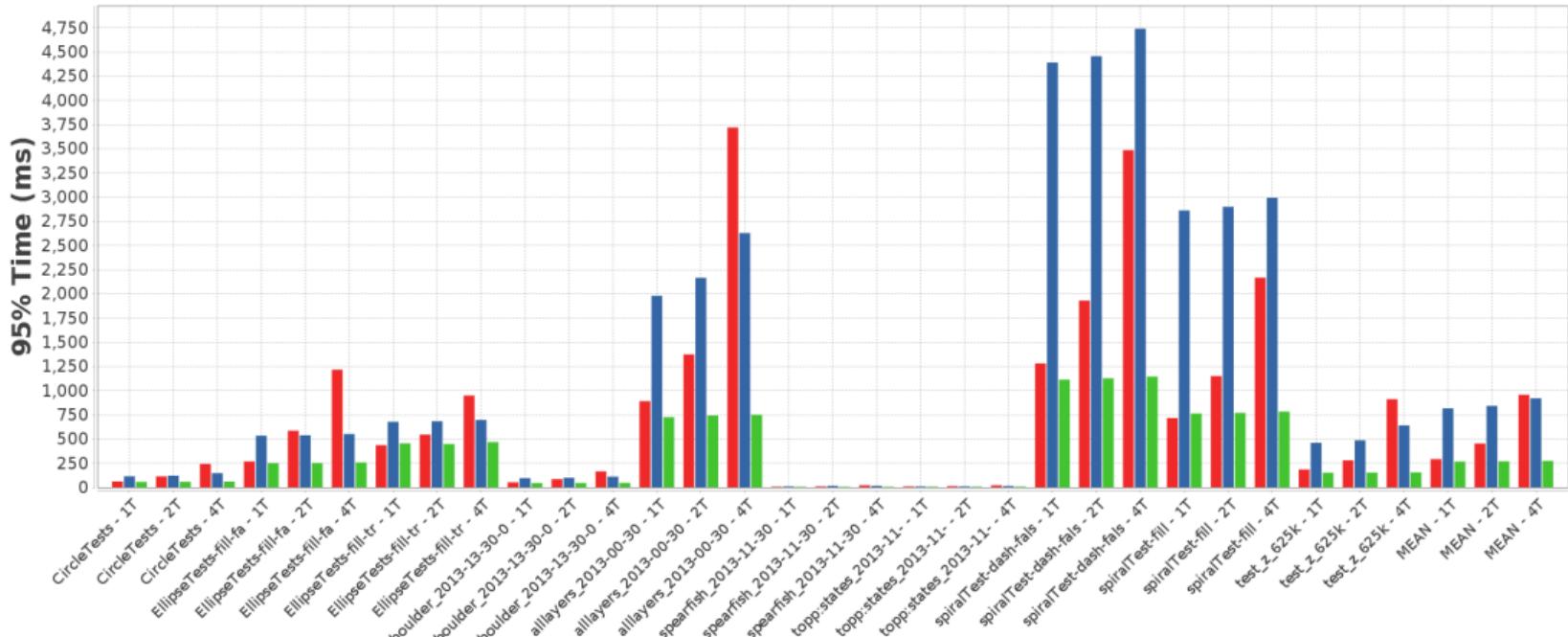
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# With Marlin (Oracle JDK-9 EA b181)



- Oracle JDK **Ductus** & **Pisces** & **Marlin**

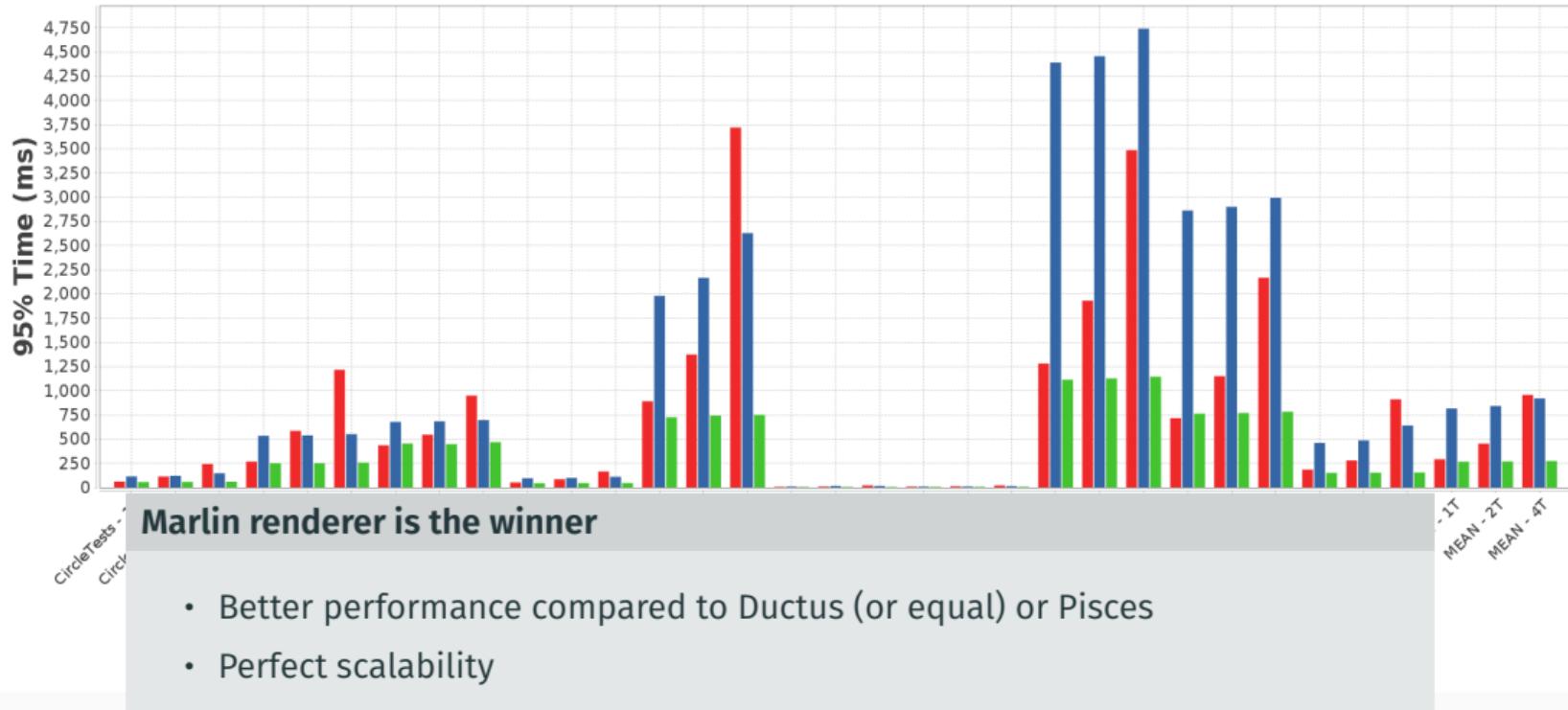


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## With Marlin (Oracle JDK-9 EA b181)



- Oracle JDK **Ductus** & **Pisces** & **Marlin**

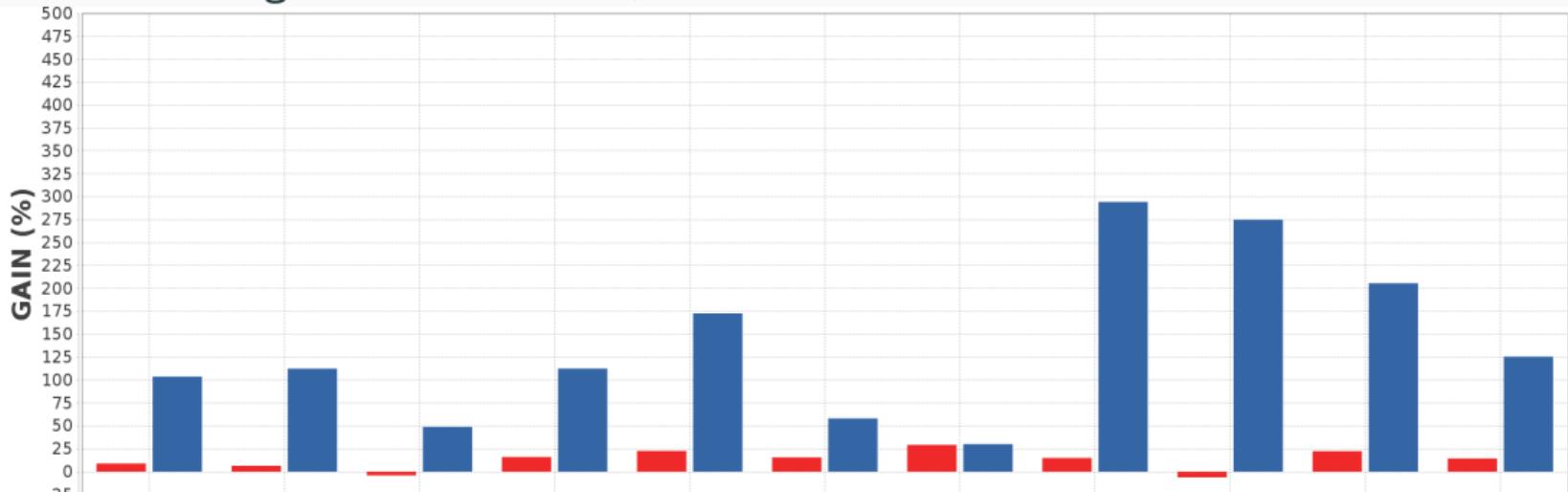


- Better performance compared to Ductus (or equal) or Pisces
  - Perfect scalability

# Performance gains (1 thread)



- **Marlin** gains over Oracle JDK **Ductus** & **Pisces**



Marlin performance gains (single thread)

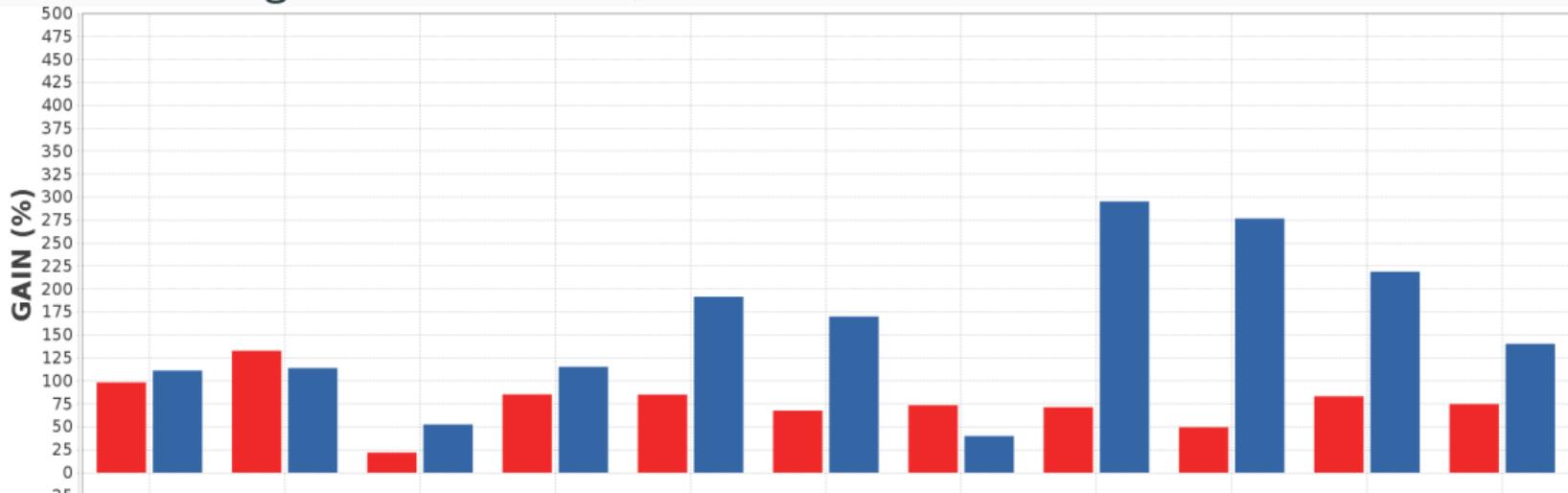
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- vs Ductus: **10%** to **30%**
- vs Pisces: **125%** (average), up to **300%** (stroked spiral test)

## Performance gains (2 thread)



- **Marlin** gains over Oracle JDK **Ductus** & **Pisces**



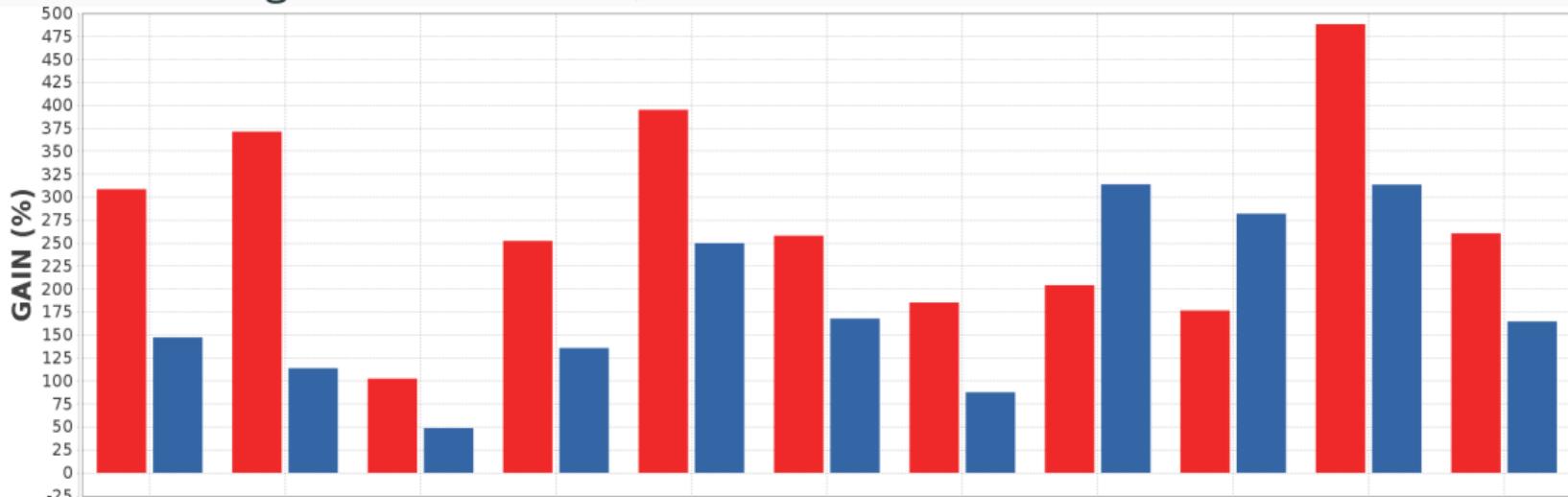
## Marlin performance gains (2 threads)

- vs Ductus: **75%** (average)
  - vs Pisces: **140%** (average)

## Performance gains (4 thread)



- **Marlin** gains over Oracle JDK **Ductus** & **Pisces**



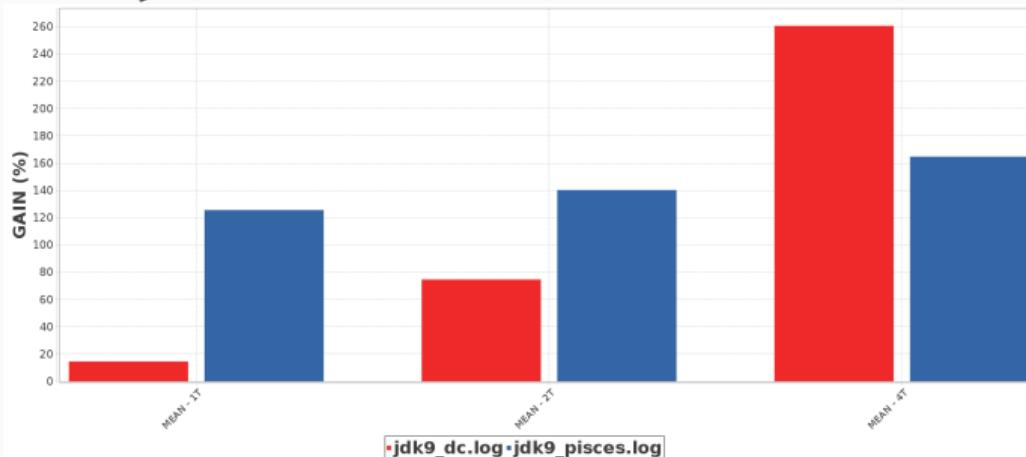
## Marlin performance gains (2 threads)

- vs Ductus: **250%** (average)
  - vs Pisces: **160%** (average)

# Marlin Performance Summary (JDK-9)



- Compared to **Ductus** :
  - Same performance (1T) but better scalability up to 250% gain (4T)
- Compared to **Pisces** :
  - 2x faster: 100% to 150% gain
- Perfect scalability 1T to 4T



## **Marlin usage & benchmarks**

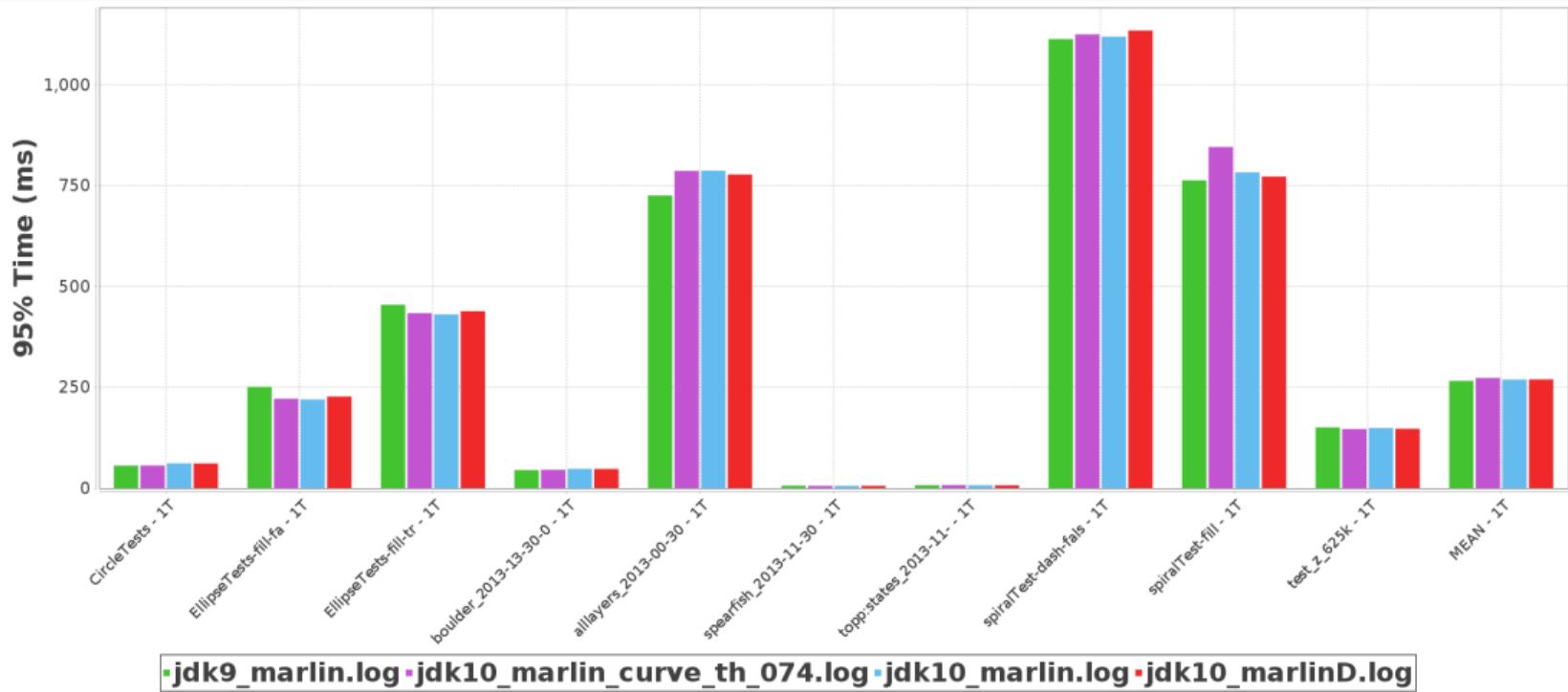
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**Comparing Marlin renderer changes  
between JDK-9 & OpenJDK-10**

# Marlin Performance changes (JDK-9 vs OpenJDK-10)



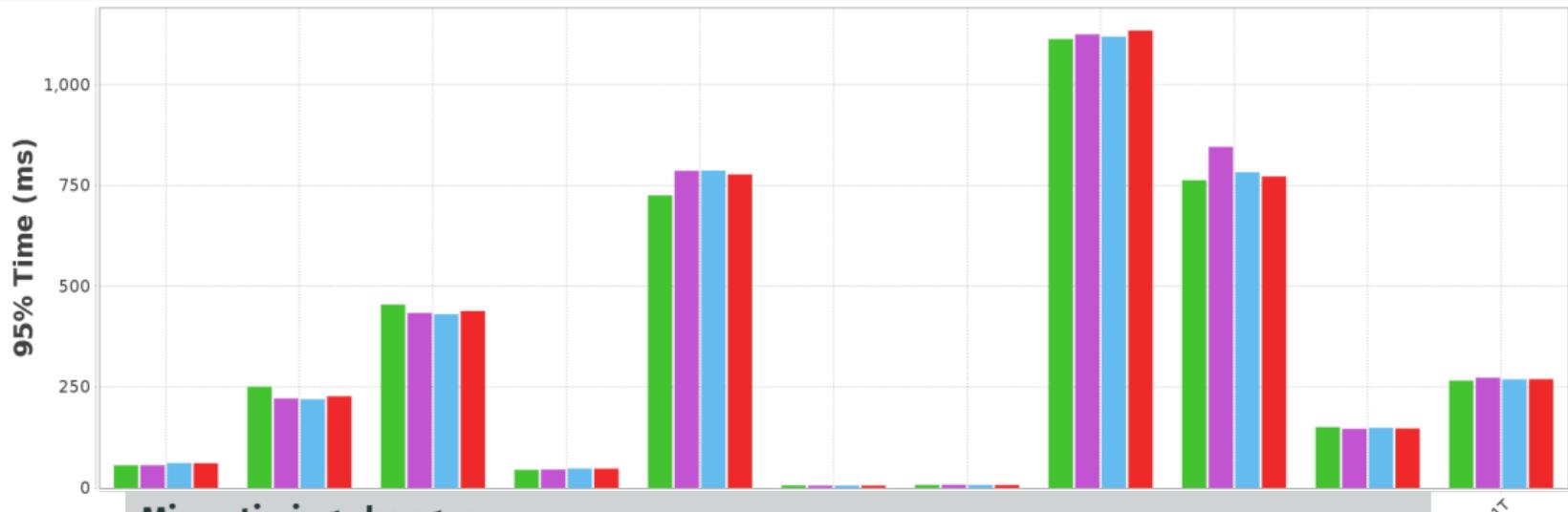
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# Marlin Performance changes (JDK-9 vs OpenJDK-10)



- Marlin 0.7.5 vs 0.7.4 (curve accuracy, large fills, Double variant)



## Minor timing changes

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- large fills: 10% faster (large ellipse tests)
- curves: 10% slower (lots of curves)

# Marlin Performance Summary (JDK-9 vs OpenJDK-10)



- Marlin 0.7.5 vs 0.7.4 (curve accuracy, large fills, Double variant)



Same Marlin (average) performance in OpenJDK-10 as in JDK-9

- Large fills are 10% faster, improved curve accuracy is only 10% slower
- No difference between Float and Double Marlin variants

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# MarlinFX

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## 2016.10: Port Marlin into JavaFX Prism engine

- <https://github.com/bourgesl/marlin-fx>
- **Prism integration:**
  - Only concerns complex paths (not ellipse or rounded rect., 3D meshes)
  - Complete mask, no more tiles
  - GPU back-end is faster but uploading texture may be costly
  - but single-threaded (GUI)
  - TBD: use Marlin to implement Shape.createStrokedShape()
- **Double-precision variant to improve accuracy** on very large shapes (stroke / dashes)
- **Integrated in OpenJFX-9** (dec 2016) but disabled by default



'sun.java2d.marlin' prefix → 'javafx.prism.marlin' prefix

TODO: complete

- Accelerated pipelines (shader) vs software pipeline
- Area class issues (cpu / memory consuming) (inner / outer strokes)
- Uploading texture masks can be very costly (bottleneck ?)

# My feedback on contributing to OpenJFX



Contrary to Marlin, OpenJFX patches were more quickly integrated into OpenJFX-9 (Jim Graham, again) !

Few documentation about Prism (pipelines, shader graphics) or rendering internals (Shape, Canvas...)

TODO: complete

## MarlinFX usage & benchmarks

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# How to use MarlinFX ?



**MarlinFX is available in all JDK-9 builds** (Oracle, Zulu, Gluon):

- Enable MarlinFX using prism settings:

```
1 java -Dprism.marlinrasterizer=true ...
```

- Select Marlin Double or Float variant:

```
1 java -Dprism.marlinrasterizer=true -Dprism.marlin.double=true ...
```

- To enable the Prism log, add **-Dprism.verbose=true**:

```
1 Prism pipeline init order: es2
```

```
2 Using Marlin rasterizer (double)
```

# DemoFX benchmarks



- OpenJFX-9 b146 first results with DemoFX Triangle test [VSYNC]

Vous avez retweeté

**Chris Newland** @chriswhocodes · 28 nov. 2016

The new MarlinFX rasterizer for #JavaFX in JDK9 EA b146 is fast and uses less memory! Awesome work by @laurent\_bourges :)

À l'origine en anglais

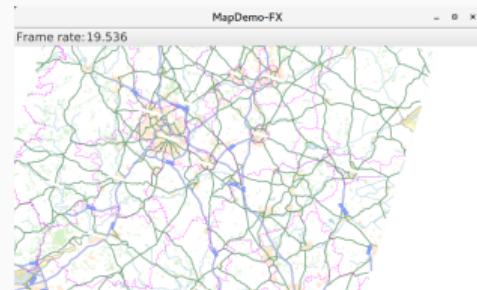
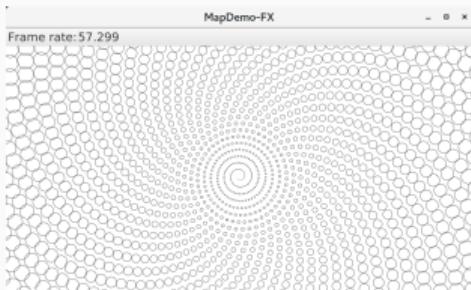
58 fps vs 48 fps = 20% gain

4 28 35

# MapBenchFX benchmarks



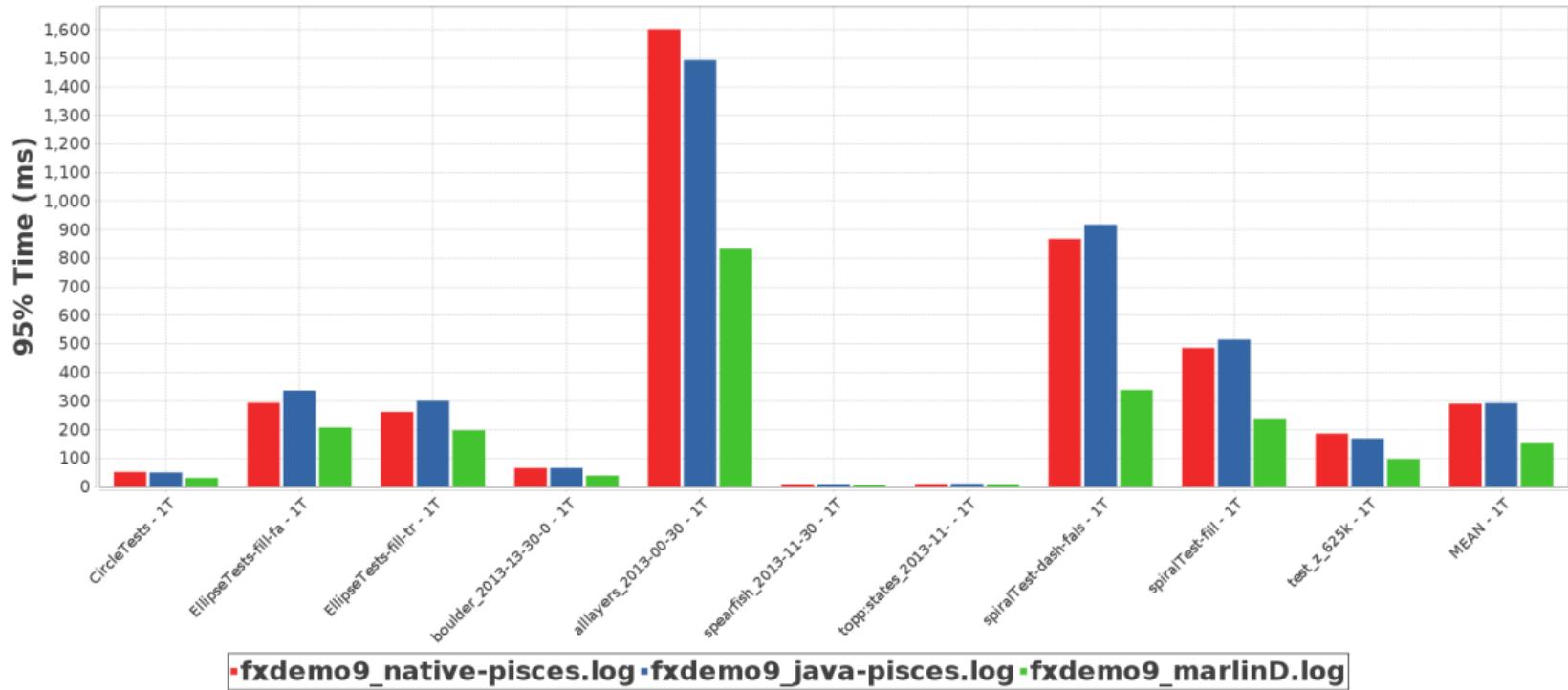
- **MapBenchFX**: JavaFX application to render maps
  - Port of the **Java2D MapBench benchmark** using FXGraphics2D
  - <https://github.com/bourgesl/mapbench-fx>



# MarlinFX vs Native & Java Pisces (Oracle JDK-9 EA b181)



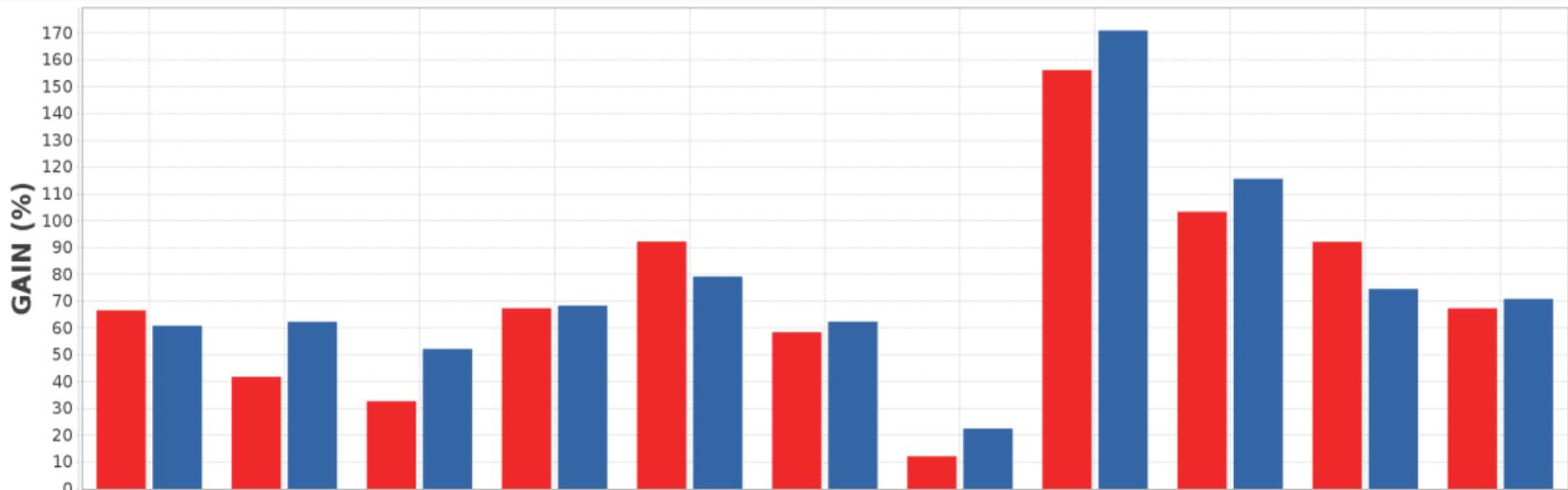
## • Native Pisces & Java Pisces & MarlinFX



# MarlinFX vs Native & Java Pisces (Oracle JDK-9 EA b181)



- MarlinFX gains over Native Pisces & Java Pisces



MarlinFX renderer is the winner (on linux)

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- vs Native Pisces: **65%** (average), up to 155%
- vs Java Pisces: **70%** (average), up to 170%

# Other Java 9 improvements



JDK-9 bug fixes from <http://bugs.openjdk.java.net>

- [JDK-6488522](#) **PNG writer** should permit setting compression level  
→ **set compression level to medium [4 vs 9]**
- [JDK-8078464](#) **Path2D storage growth algorithms should be less linear**
- [JDK-8084662](#) Path2D copy constructors and clone method propagate size of arrays from source path
- [JDK-8074587](#) Path2D copy constructors do not trim arrays
- [JDK-8078192](#) Path2D storage trimming
- [JDK-8169294](#) JFX Path2D storage growth algorithms should be less...
- [JDK-8178521](#) **Severe performance drop for path rendering (HW)**

## Perspectives and Future Work

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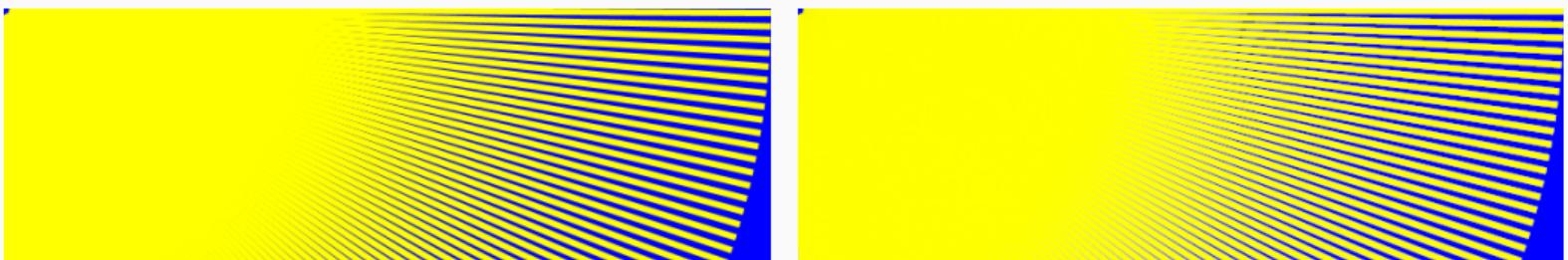
I may have still spare time to improve Marlin... **but no more alone !**

**We want You** = your help is needed:

- **Try your applications** & use cases with the Marlin renderer
- **Contribute to the Marlin project:** let's implement new algorithms (gamma correction, clipping ...)
- **to OpenJFX to improve the rendering pipeline** (Path, shaders...)
- Adopt the **Java Client group** ?
- Provide **feedback**, please !



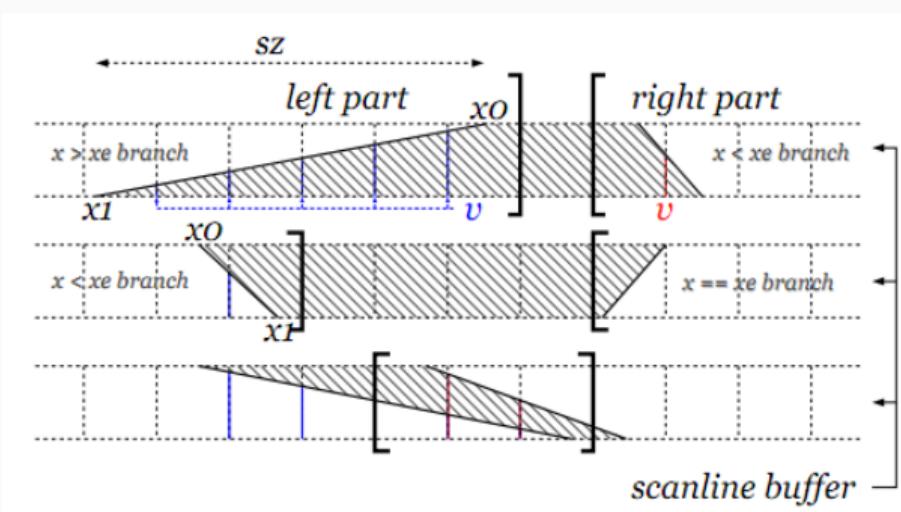
- Handle properly the gamma correction:
  - Very Important for visual quality
  - In MaskFill for images (C macros) & GPU back-ends
  - Port SW pixel loops to use new Java Vector instructions (Panama) ?
  - Note: Stroke's width must compensate the gamma correction to avoid having thiner / fatter shapes.





# Quality Ideas (continued)

- **Analytical pixel coverage:** using signed area coverage for a trapezoid  
⇒ compute the exact pixel area covered by the polygon



# Performance ideas



- **Clipping (coming in release 0.8):**
  - Implement early efficient path clipping (major impact on dashes)
  - Take care of affine transforms (margin), stroke's cap & joins
- **Scan-line processing (8x8 sub-pixels):**
  - 8 scan-lines per pixel row ⇒ compute exact area covered in 1 row
  - see <http://nothings.org/gamedev/rasterize/>
  - may be almost as fast but a lot more precise !
- Cap & join processing (Stroker):
  - Do not emit extra collinear points for squared cap & miter joins
- Optimize the `Area` class (allocation + CPU) ?

## **Perspectives and Future Work**

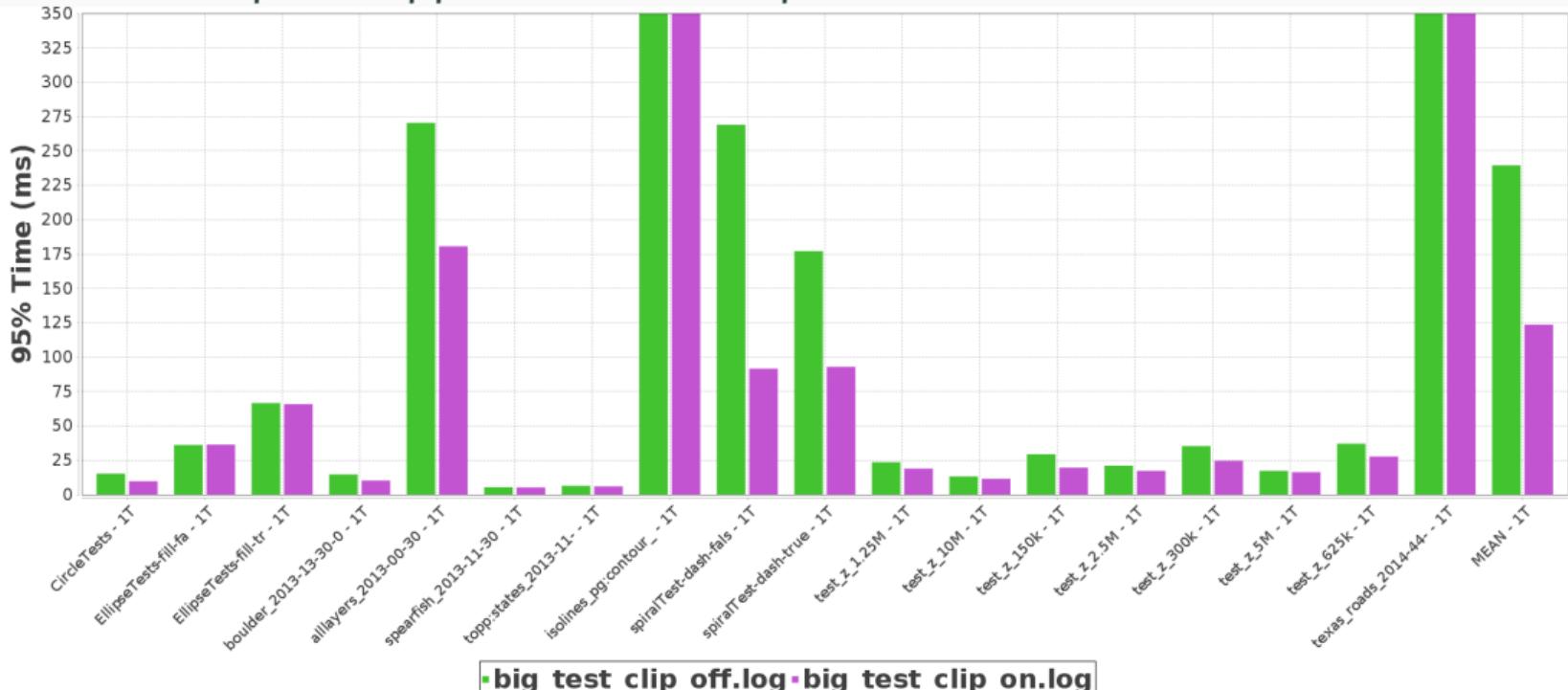
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**First results of the path clipping in  
Marlin 0.8.1**

# Performance impact of the path clipping (Marlin 0.8.1)



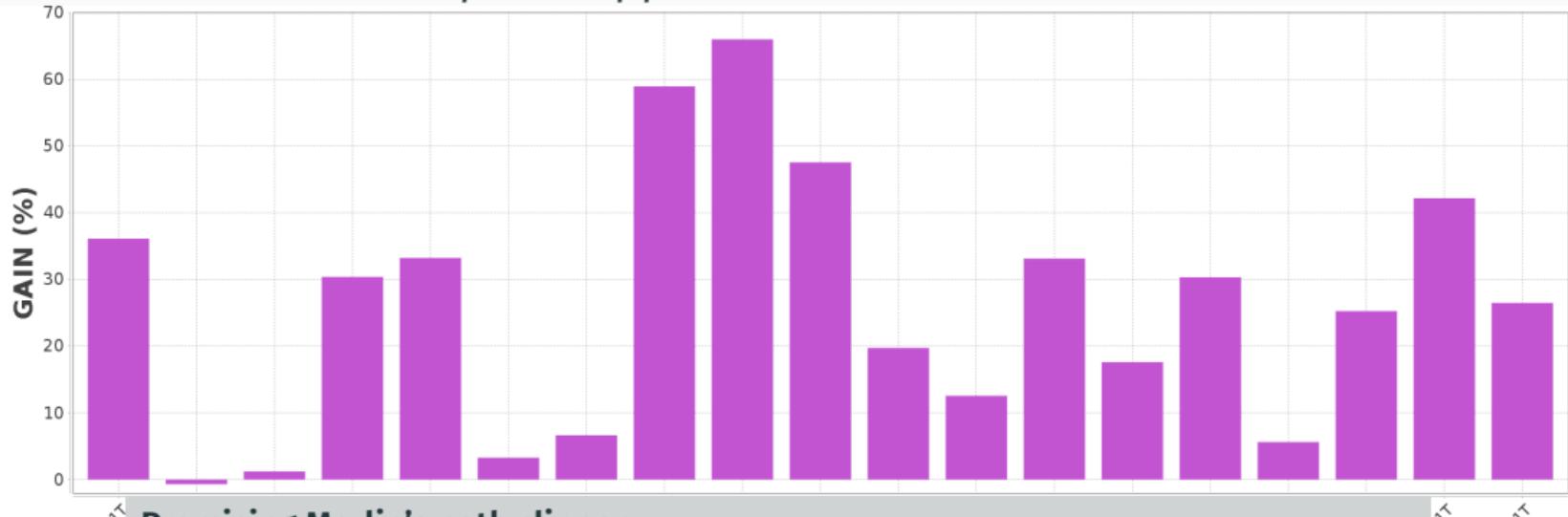
- Marlin path clipper Off vs On [clip 400 x 400]:



# Performance impact of the path clipping (Marlin 0.8.1)



- Gain with Marlin path clipper enabled:



## Promising Marlin's path clipper

- 25% gain (average)
- up to 65% gain (complex shapes)

# Conclusion

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- Marlin renderer rocks in Java 9 !
  - Performance & Quality goals met
    - Single threaded performance generally as good or better
    - Scales for multiple threads whereas Ductus does not
- Marlin is now the default AA renderer for OpenJDK
- MarlinFX will be the default renderer in OpenJFX-10
- Coming patches are promising for OpenJDK-10...
- Optimizing JavaFX Graphics performance needs you !
- What future for Java Client & Desktop ?
  - ⇒ Adopt OpenJDK's Client group.

# That's all folks !



- Please ask your questions or talk with me
- or send them to [marlin-renderer@googlegroups.com](mailto:marlin-renderer@googlegroups.com)

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# **Extra**

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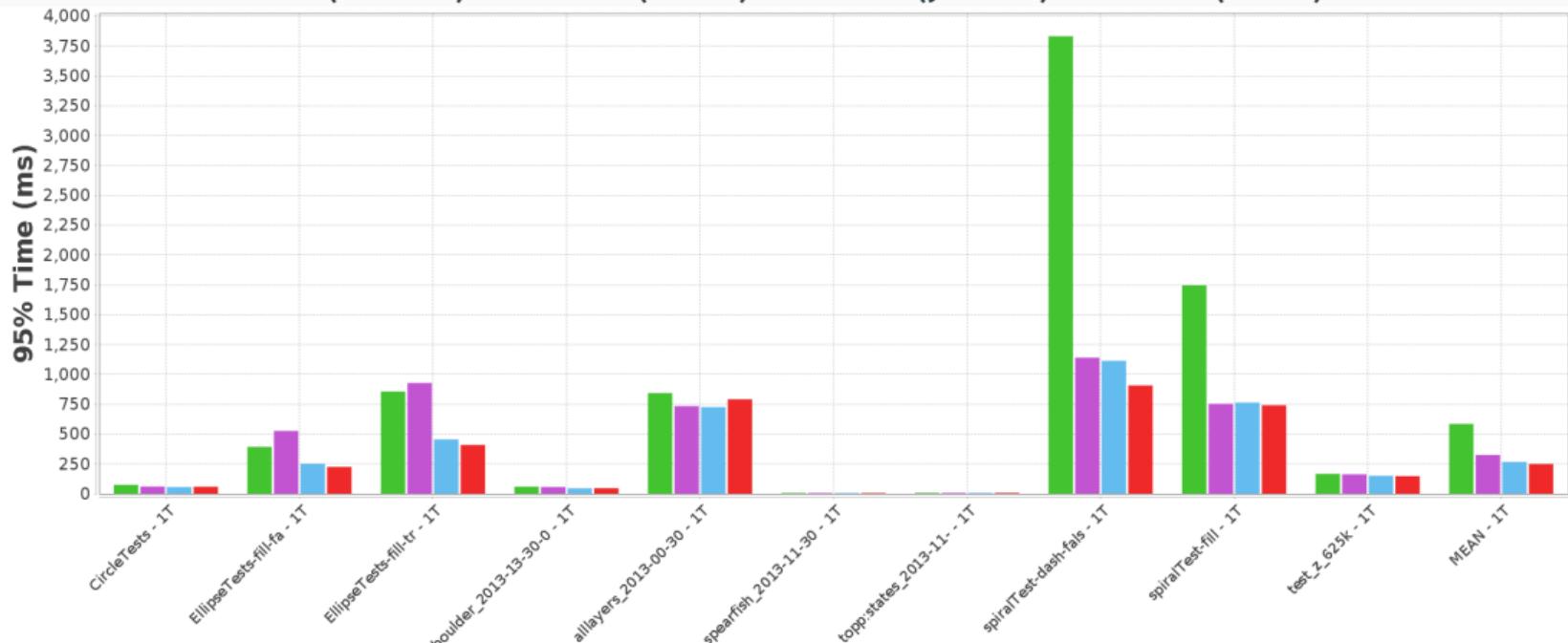
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**Comparing Marlin renderer releases  
using JDK-8**

# Performance evolution between Marlin 0.3 & 0.8.1 (JDK-8)



- Marlin 0.3 (2014.1) & 0.5.6 (2015) & 0.7.4 (JDK-9) & 0.8.1 (2017)

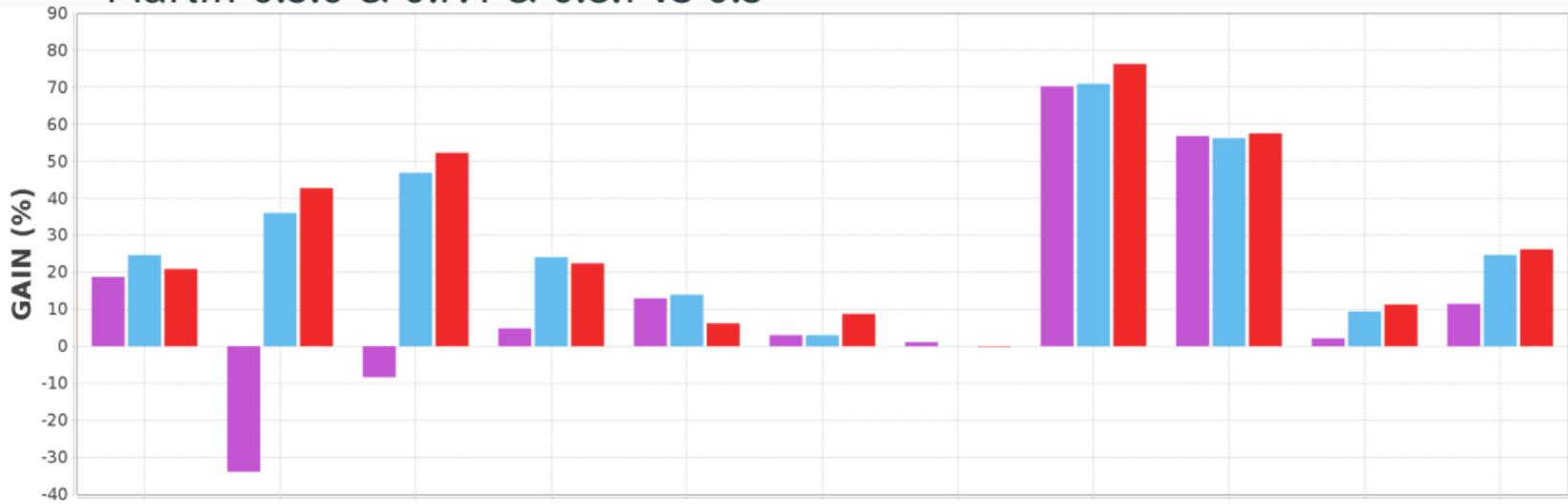


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# Performance evolution between Marlin 0.3 & 0.8.1 (JDK-8)



- Marlin 0.5.6 & 0.7.4 & 0.8.1 vs 0.3



## Marlin performance improved through releases

- Loss in 0.5.6 (large ellipse fills) fixed in 0.7
- Important improvements on complex stroked shapes (spirals)

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## **Extra**

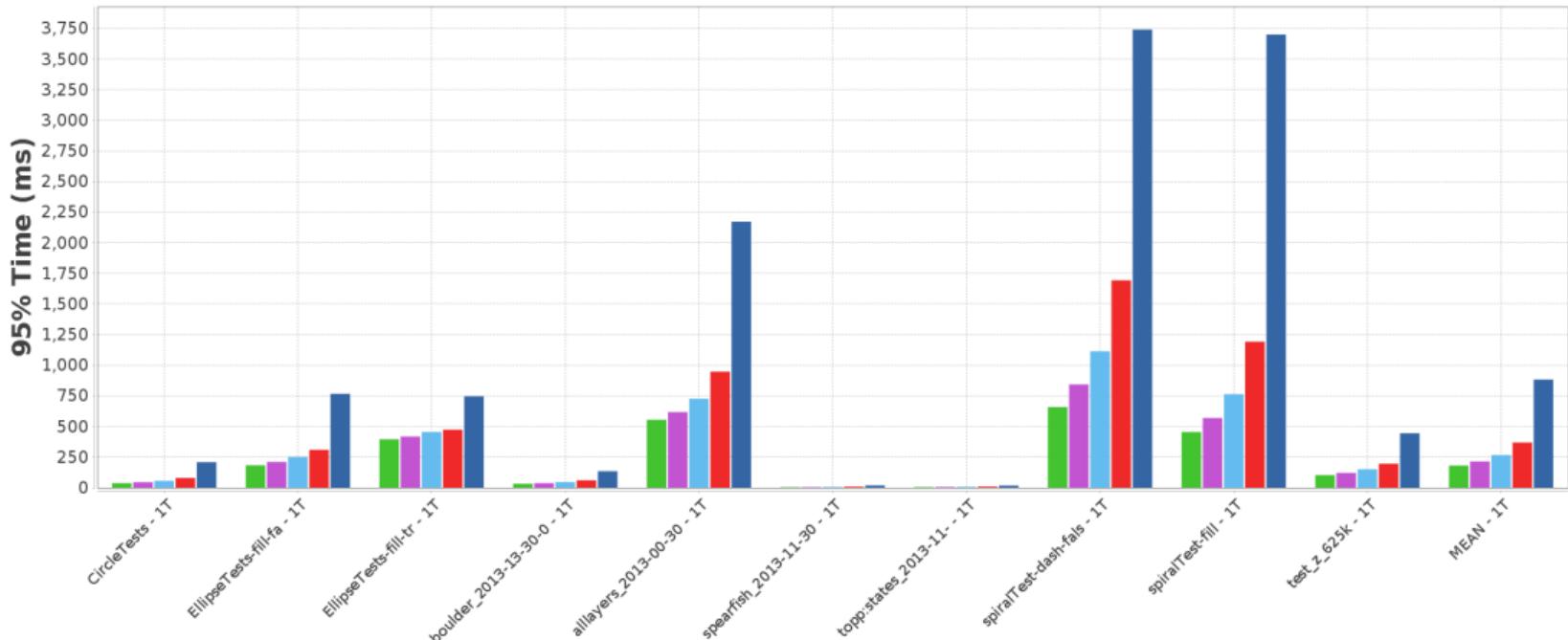
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**Performance impact of the sub-pixel  
tuning**

# Performance impact of the sub-pixel tuning



- Sub-pixel settings [1x1 to 6x6]:

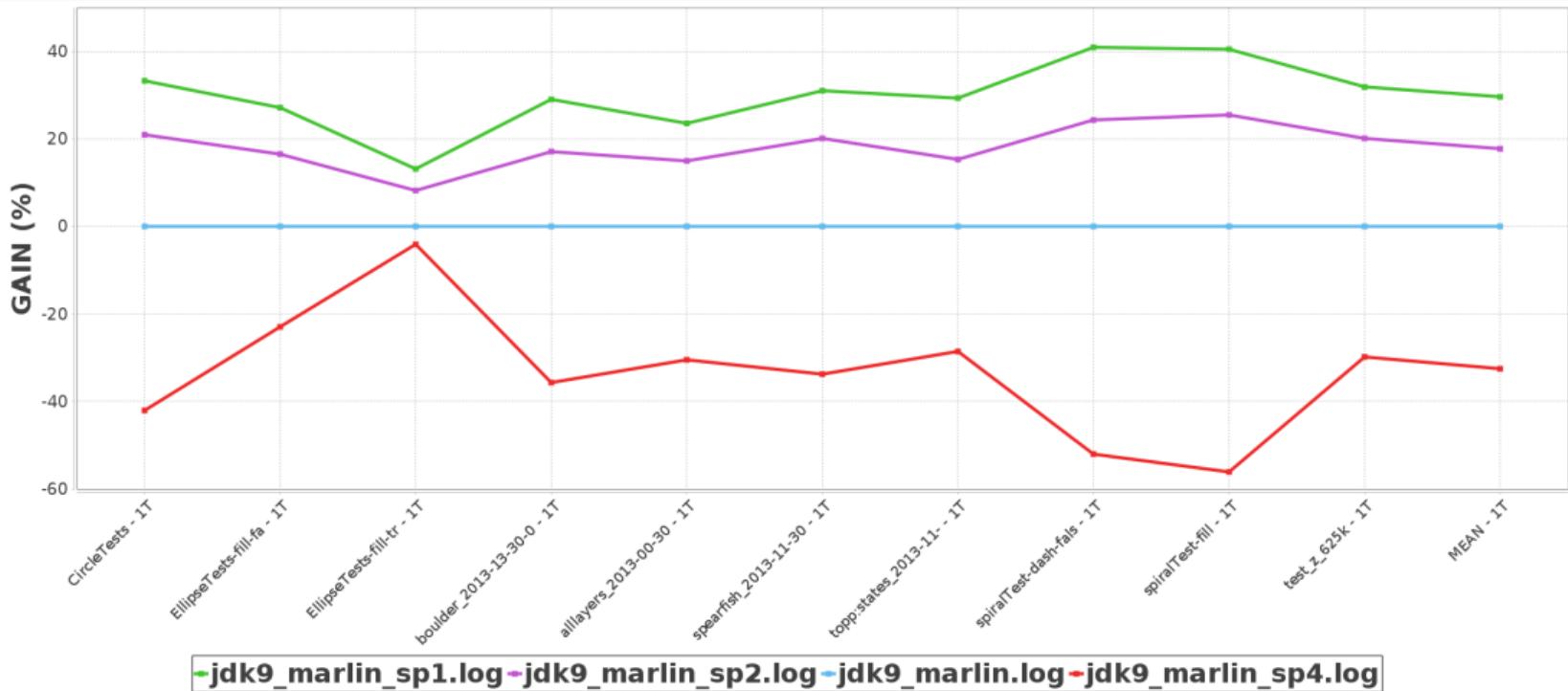


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# Performance gain & loss of the sub-pixel tuning



- Gain & Loss of Sub-pixel settings [1 x 1 to 6 x 6] VS [3 x 3]:



## Extra

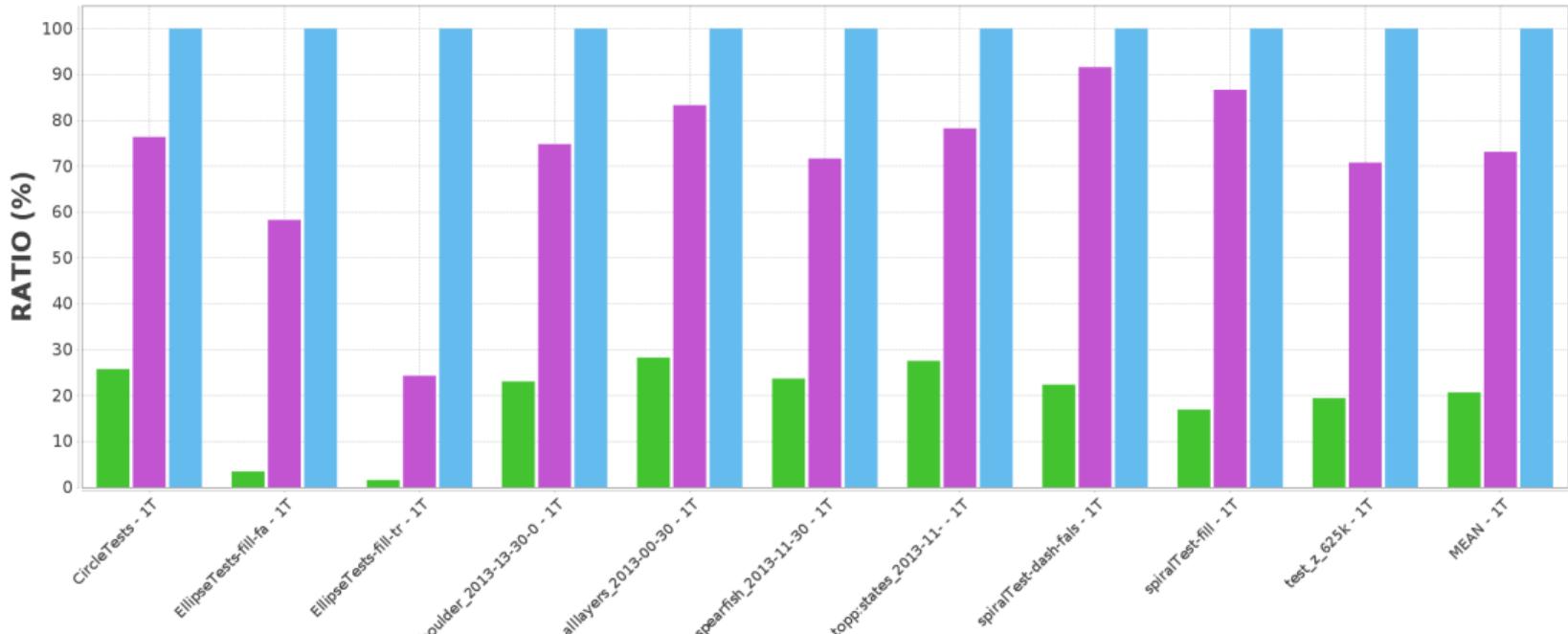
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**Studying Marlin & Java2D internal stages**

# Marlin internal timings



- 3 stages in Java2D pipeline: Path Processing → Rendering → Blending

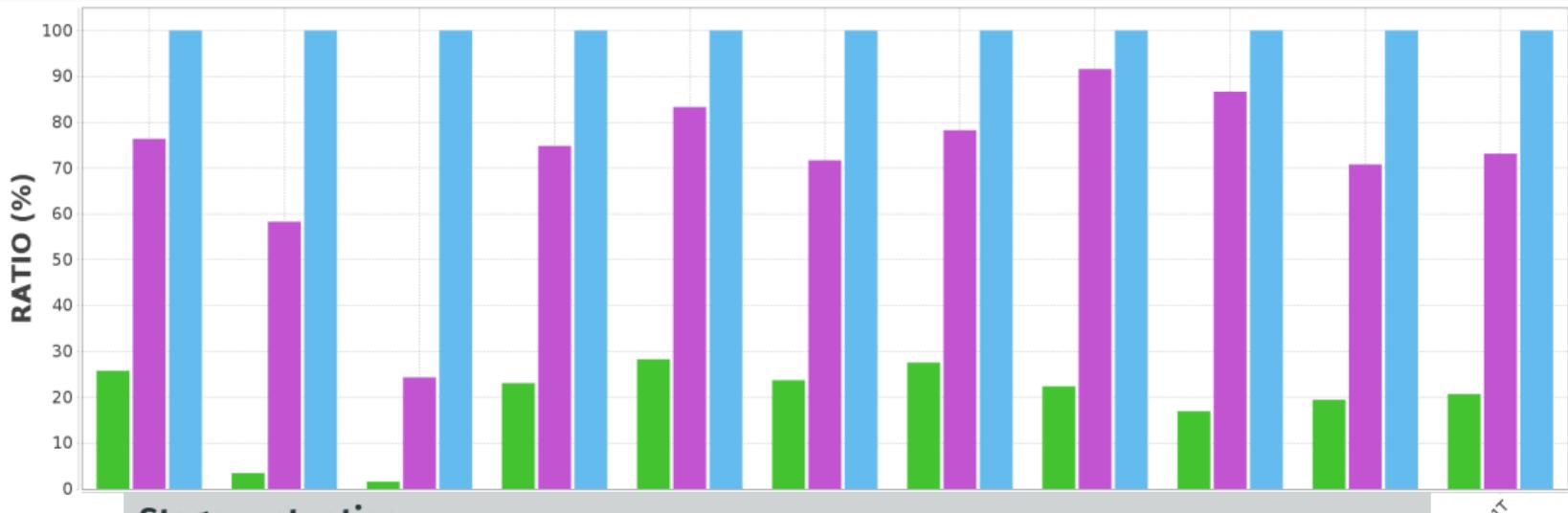


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# Marlin internal timings



- 3 stages in Java2D pipeline: Path Processing → Rendering → Blending



## Stage cost ratios

- Path processing: 20 to 30% (stroked shapes) but 3% (filled)
- Blending: **25%** (average) but up to 75% (large ellipse fills): *Future work ?*

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