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What’s New in SpriteKit

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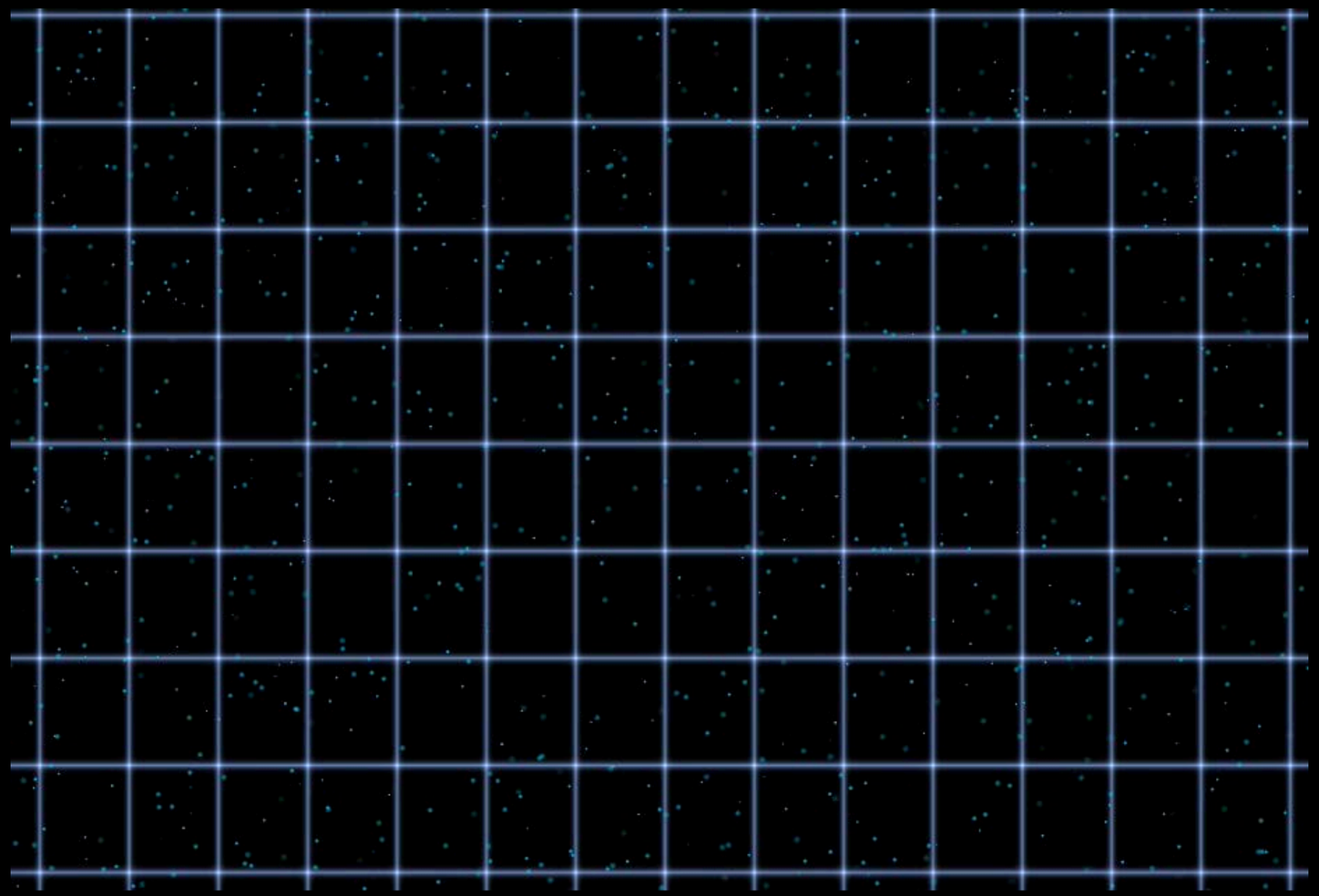

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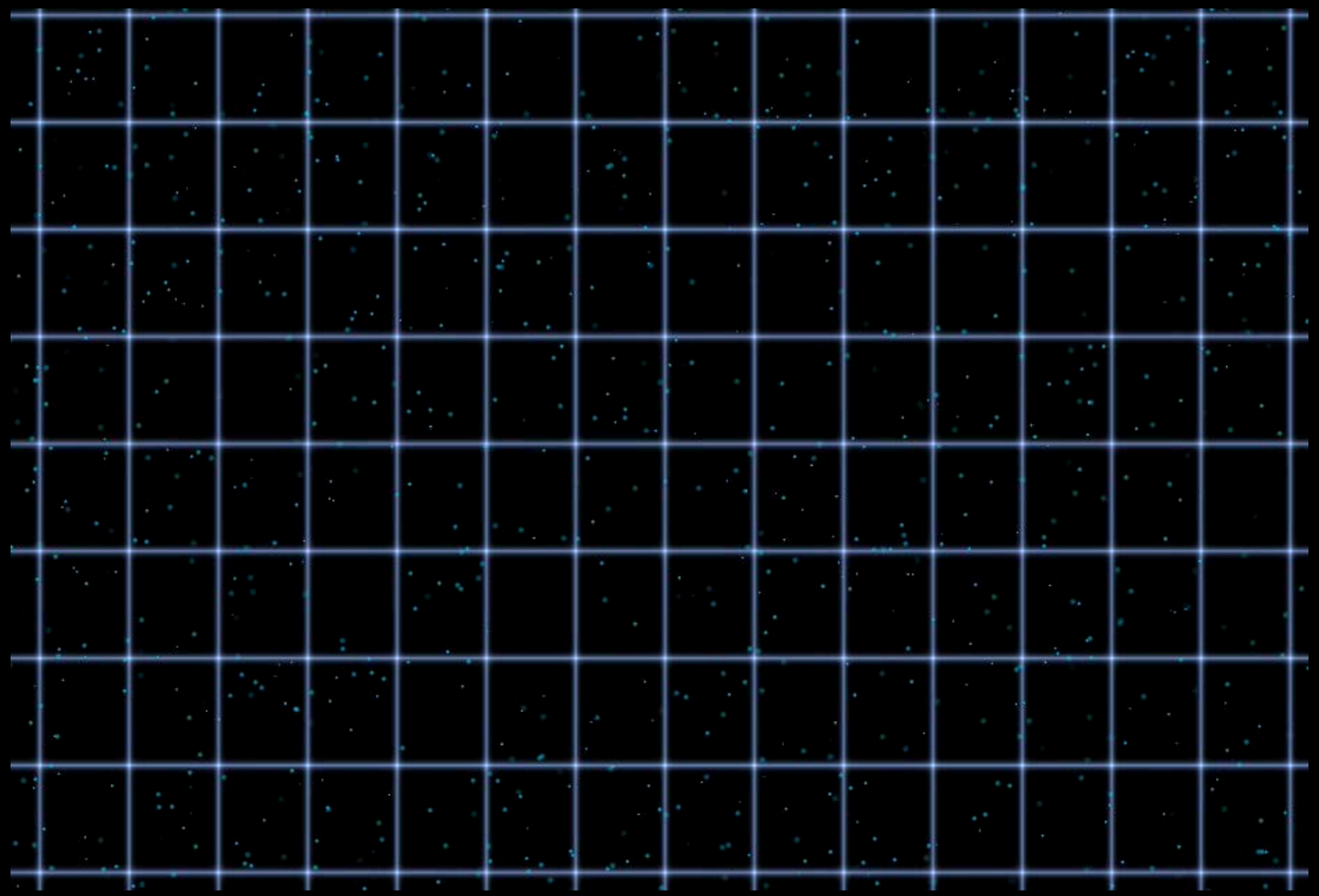

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Overview

Shaders customize the way things are drawn in a game

Programmed using a C-like language

Powerful tools that can produce a wide variety of effects

Useful to add new effects to existing games

Shaders

SKShaders object

Holds a custom OpenGL ES fragment shader

Deploy to both OS X and iOS

Supported node types

- SKSpriteNode
- SKShapeNode
- SKEmitterNode
- SKEffectNode
- SKScene

Built-in uniforms

- u_texture, v_tex_coord, u_sprite_size …

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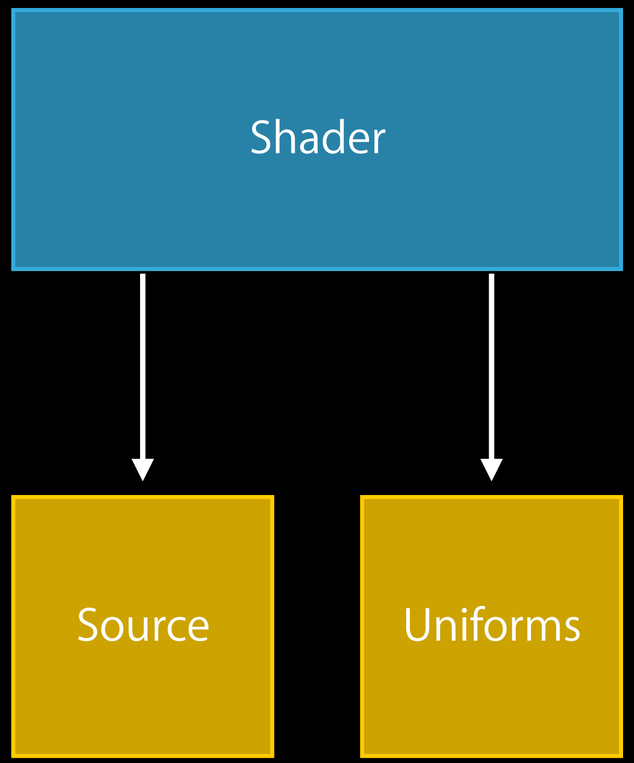

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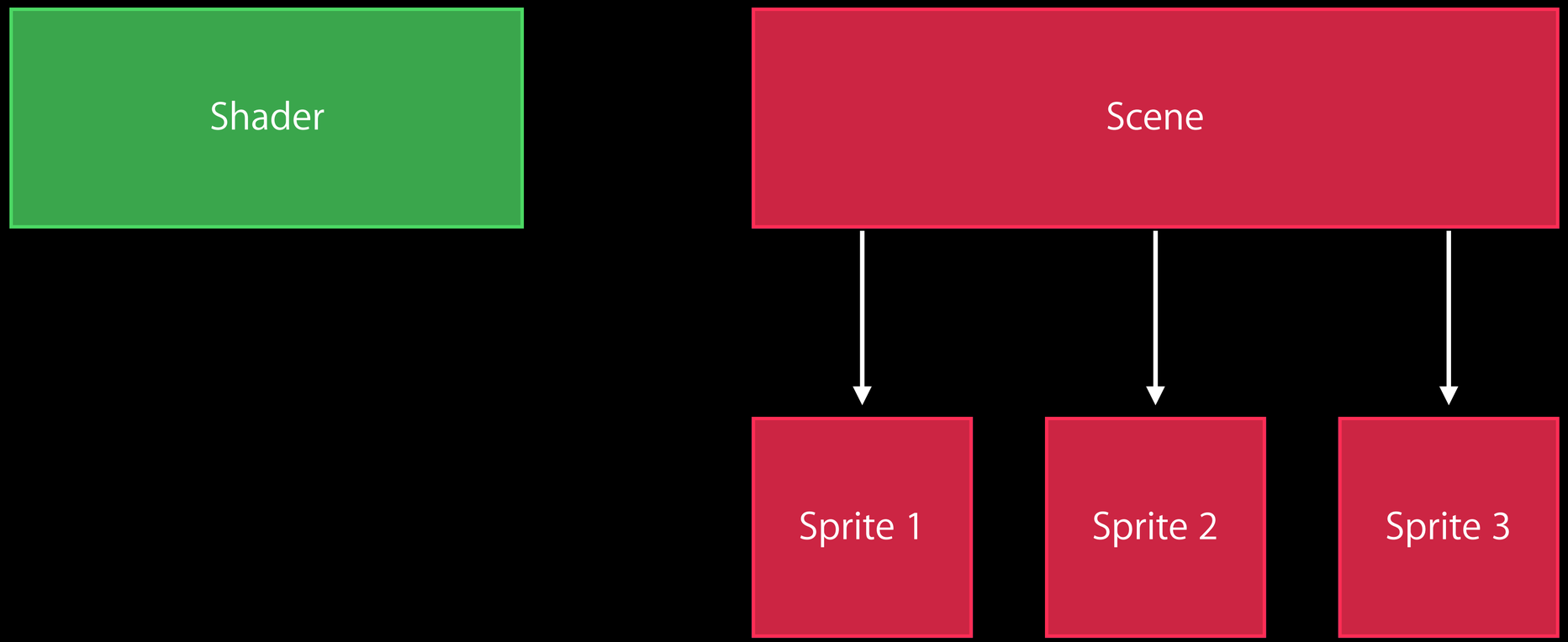

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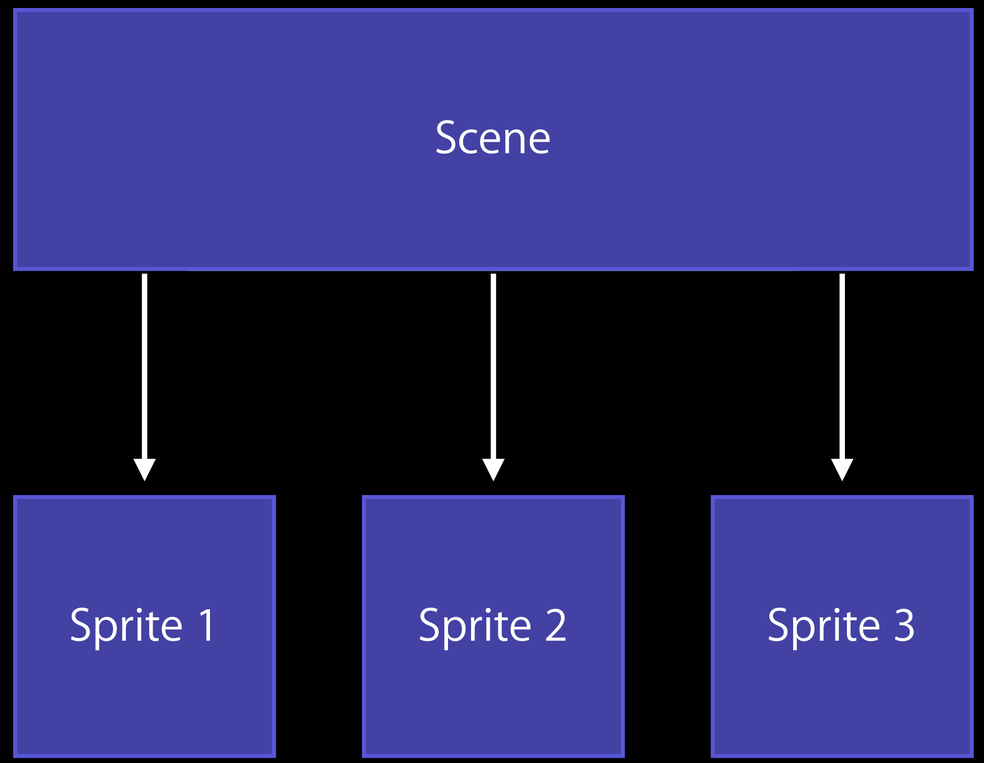

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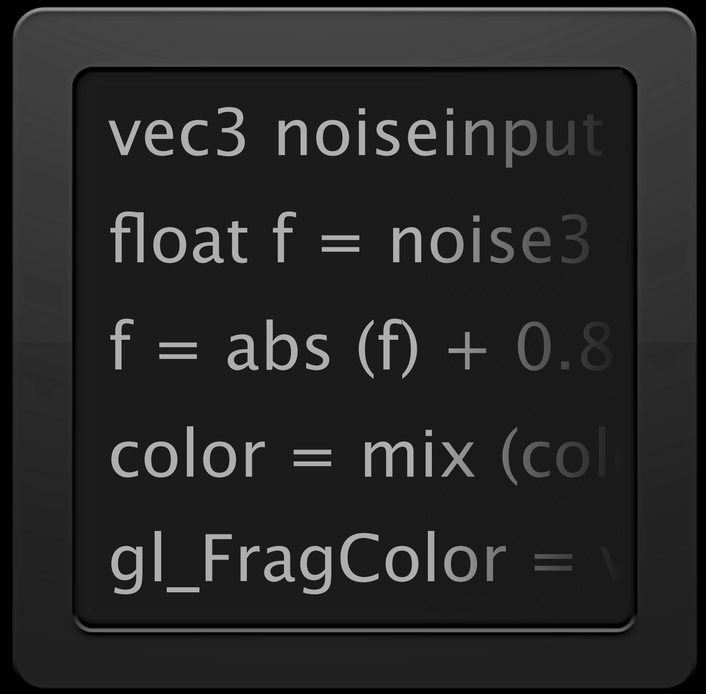
Creation

Source code for a fragment shader

```
shader = [SKShader shaderWithFileNamed:@“blur.fsh"];
```



Setting uniforms

```
shader.uniforms = @[[SKUniform uniformWithName:@"u_red" float:1],
                    [SKUniform uniformWithName:@"u_myTex" texture:nil]];
```

SKShader

Predefined shader symbols

Uniform

```
u_texture ..... sampler2D
u_sprite_size ..... vec2
u_time ..... float
u_path_length ..... float
```

Varying

```
v_tex_coord ..... vec2
v_color_mix ..... vec4
v_path_distance ..... float
```

Function

```
SKDefaultShading ..... vec4
```

Shaders

Best practices

Make use of built-in uniforms

- Avoid changing the shader's source
- Avoid adding/removing uniforms

Share shader objects whenever possible

- Initialize shader objects at load time
- Initialize shader using file than string

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Shaders allows custom rendering

Provides access to sprites properties

Add cool and unique effects

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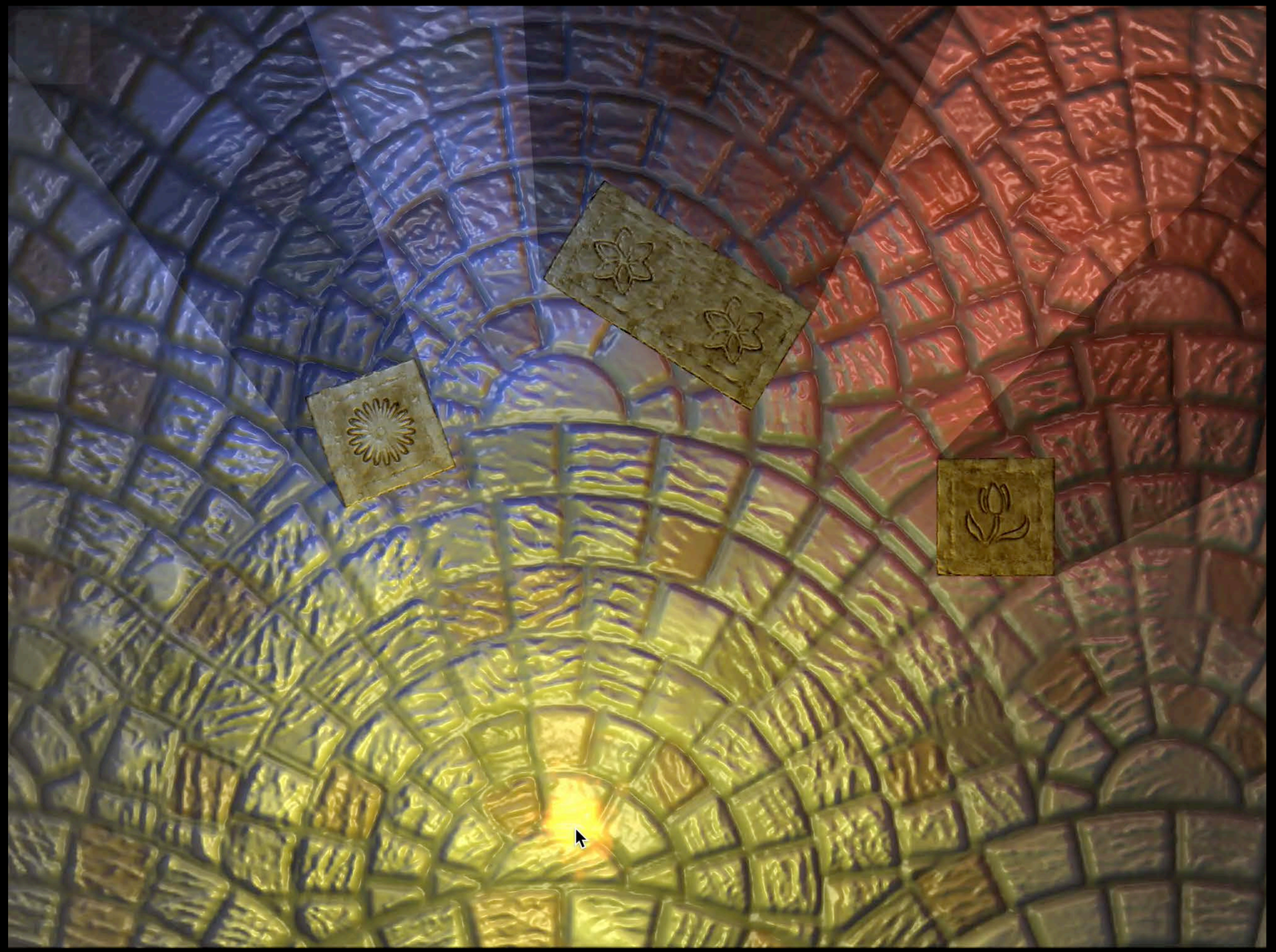

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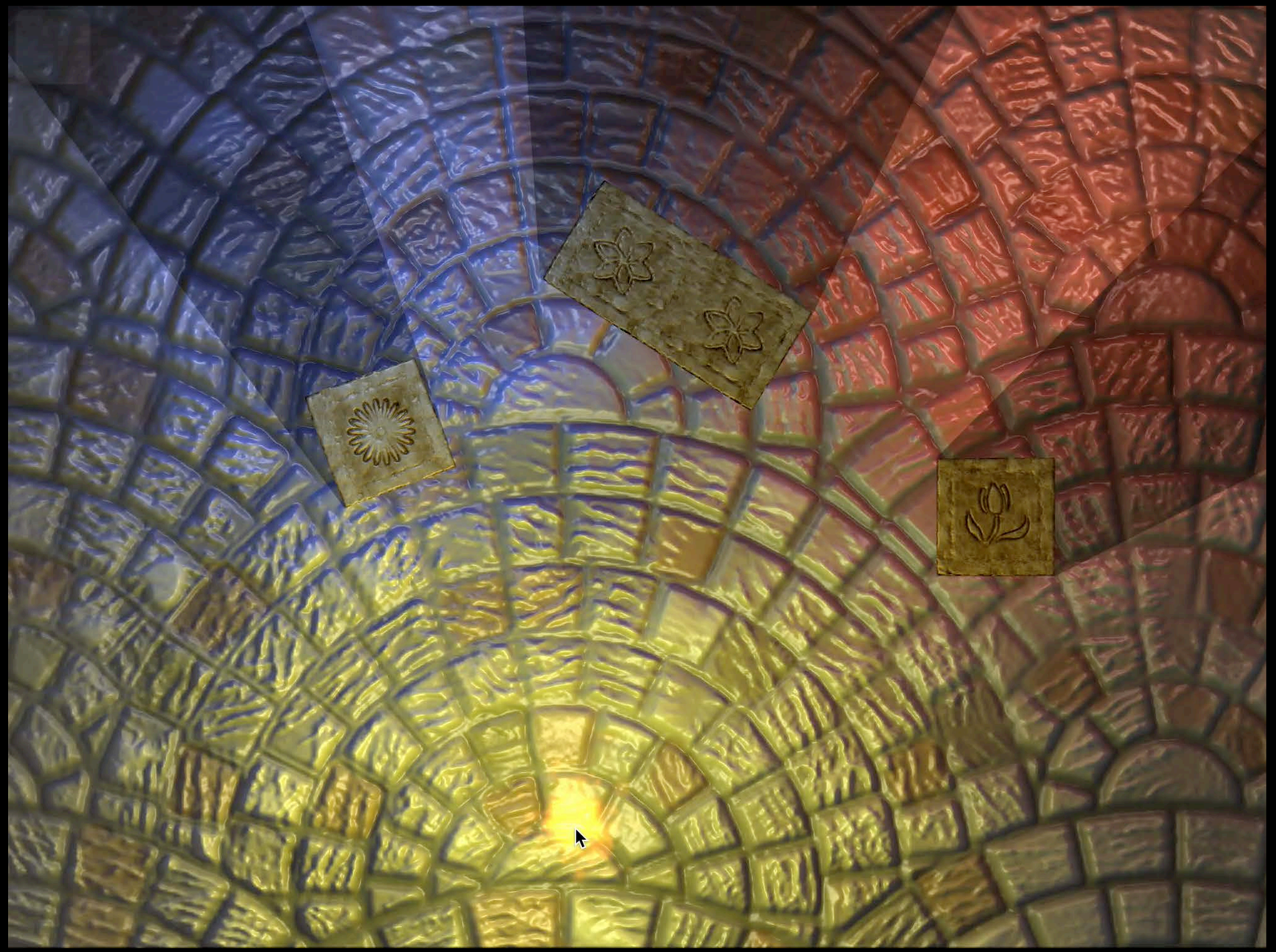

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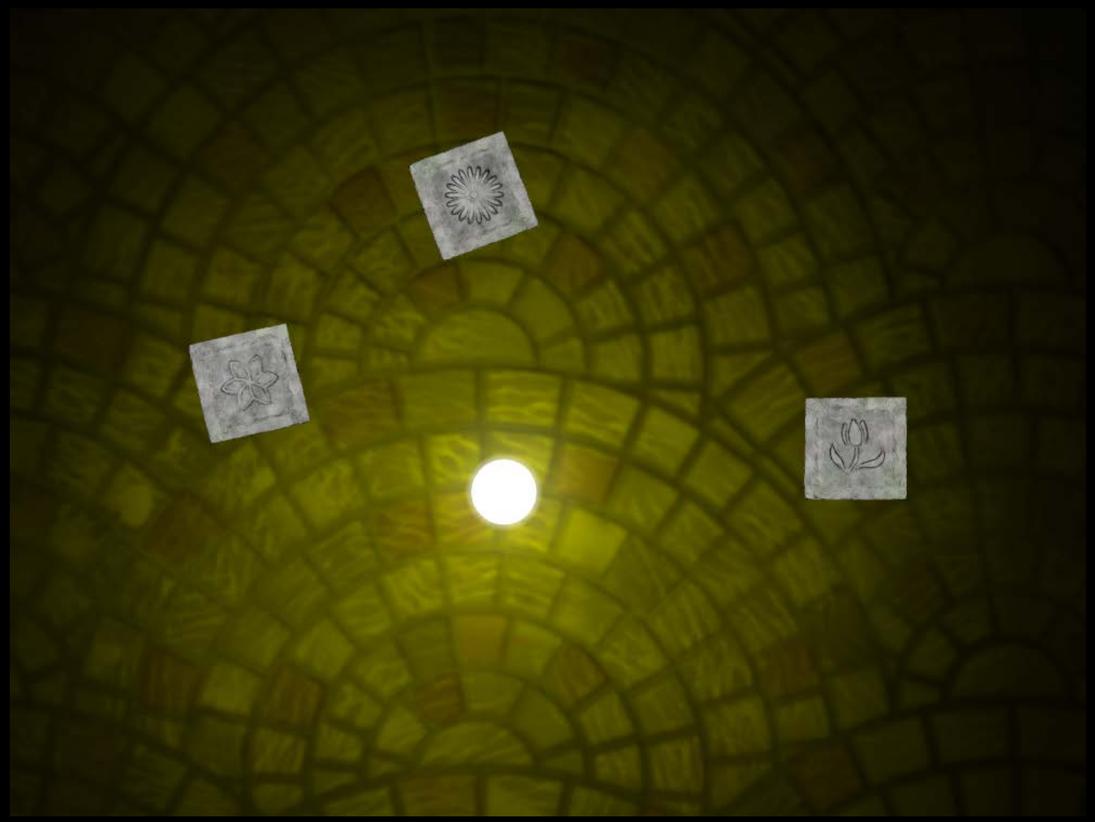

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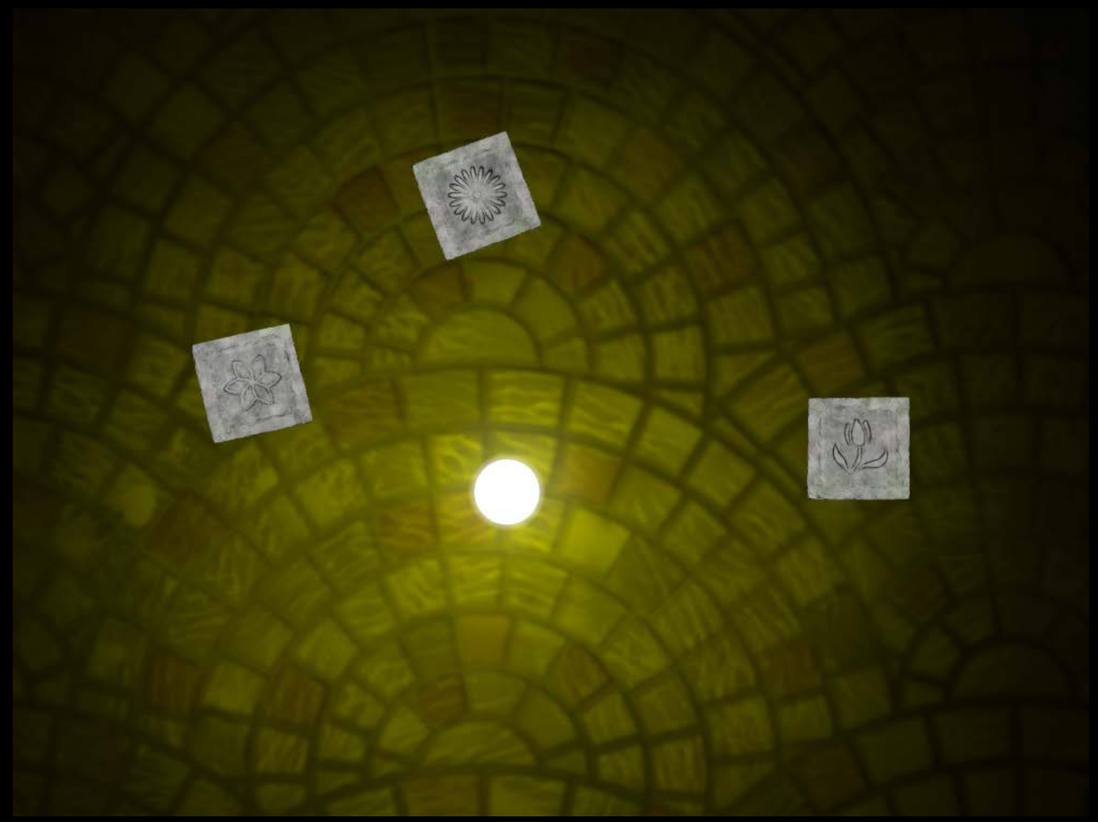

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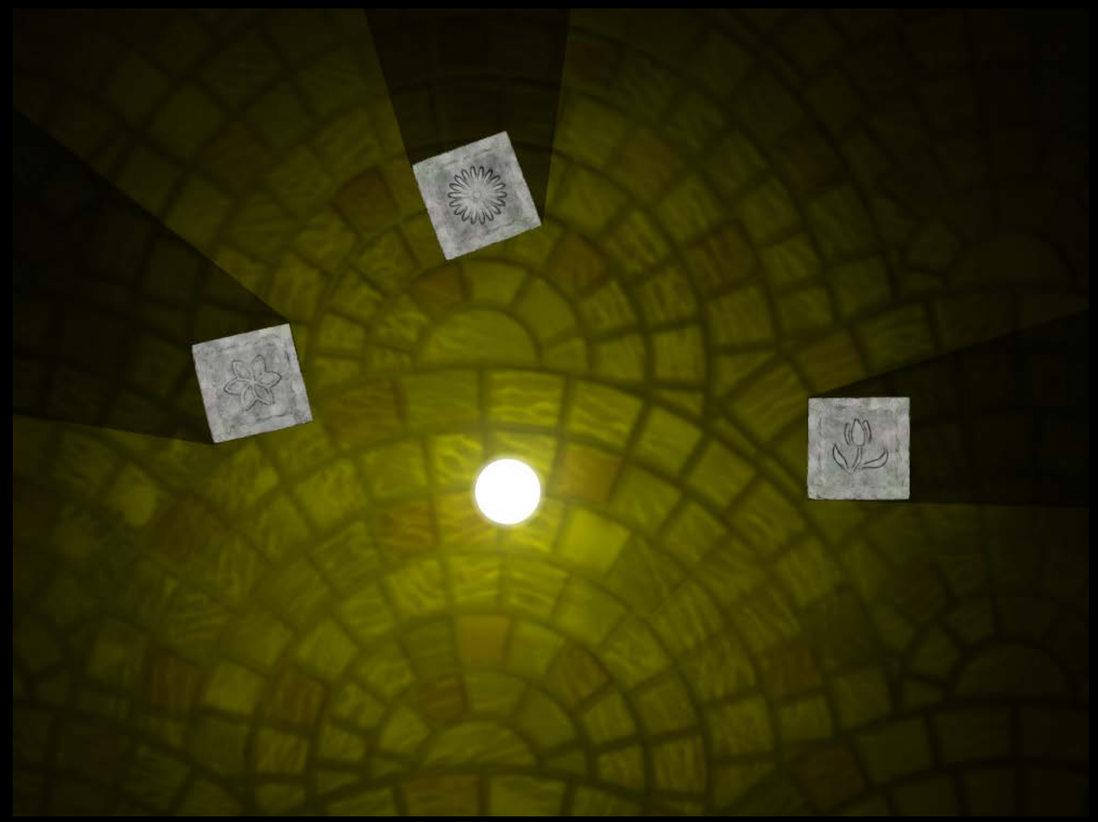

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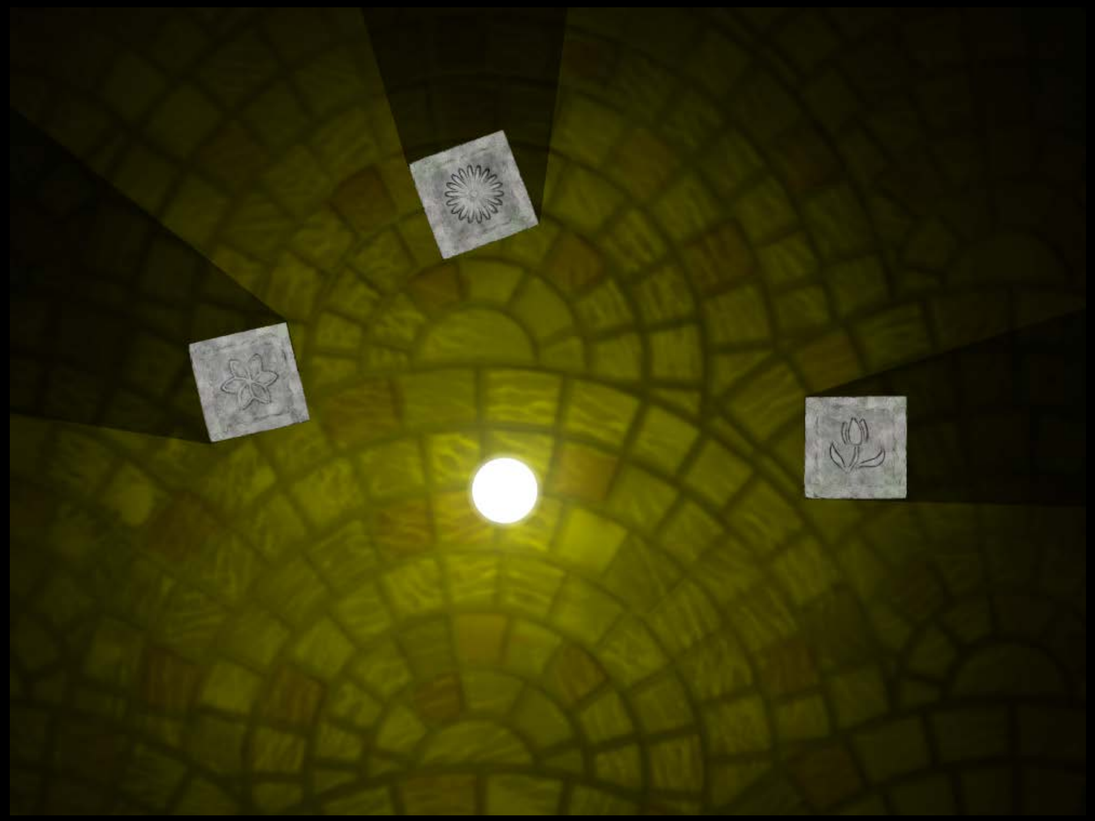

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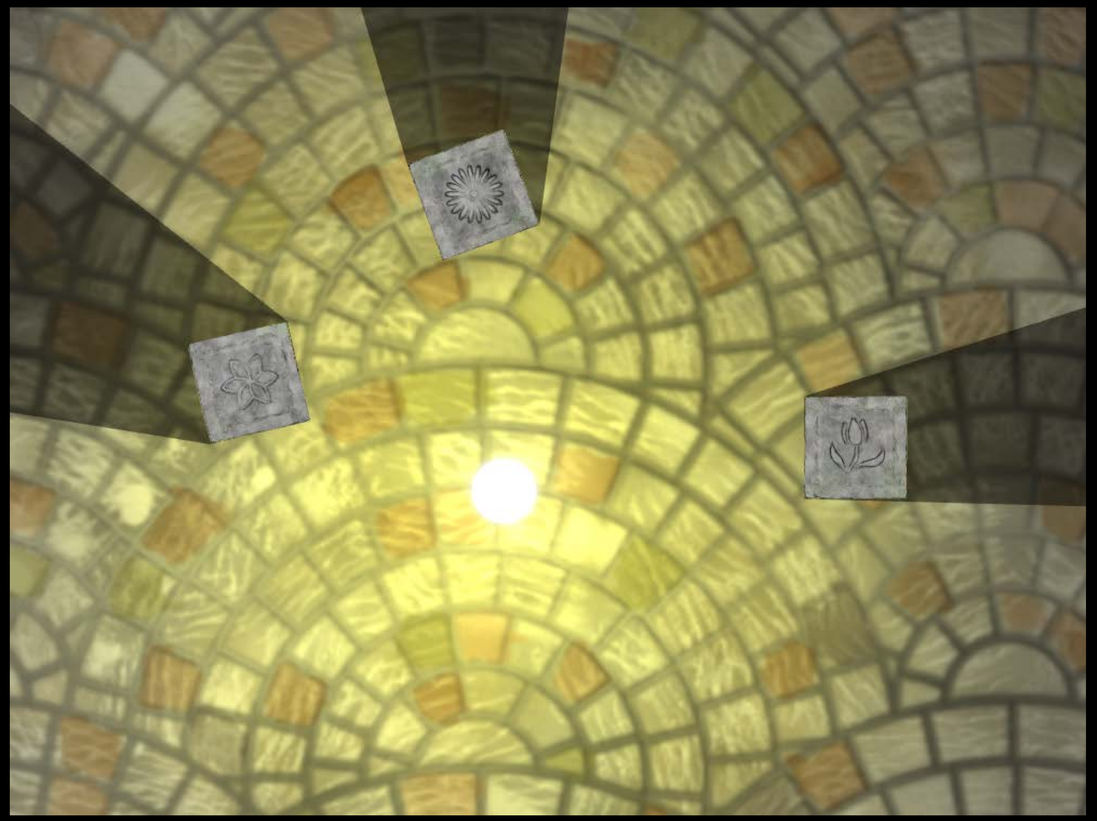

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SKLightNode

falloff

- Does not effect ambient

categoryBitMask

- `SKSpriteNode.lightingBitMask`
- `SKSpriteNode.shadowCastBitMask`
- `SKSpriteNode.shadowedBitMask`

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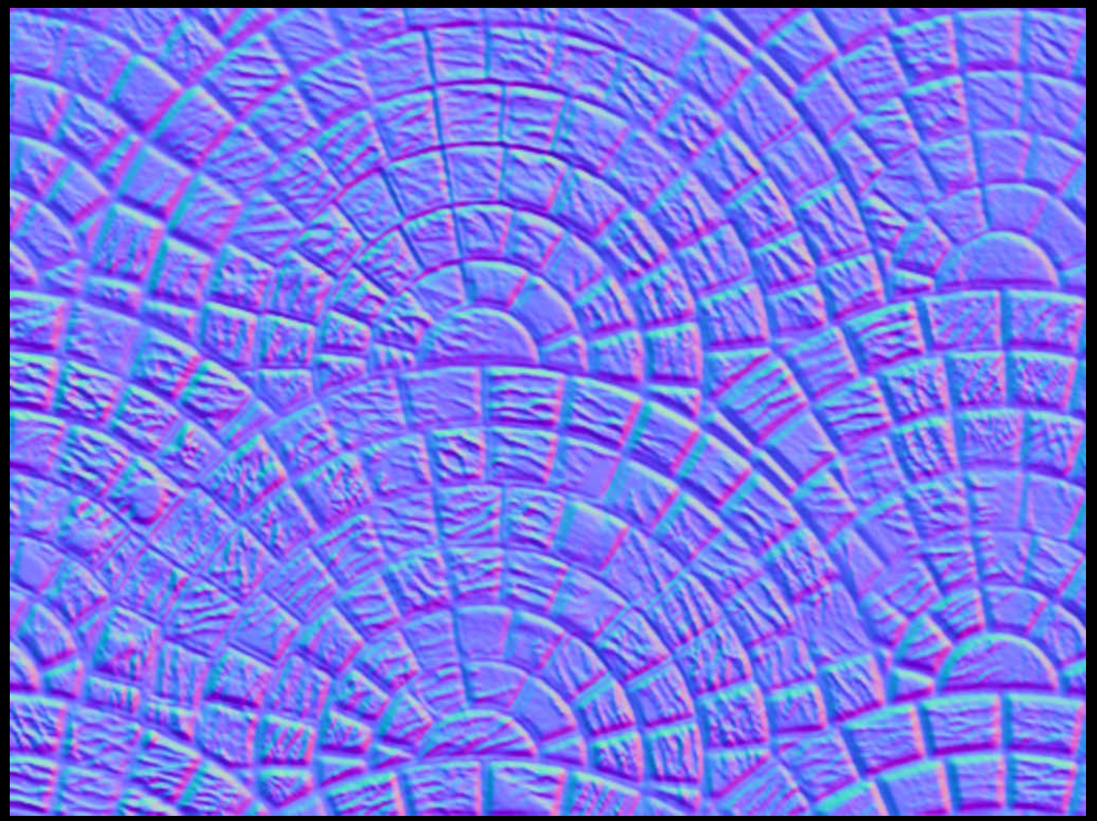
SKSpriteNode

`normalTexture`



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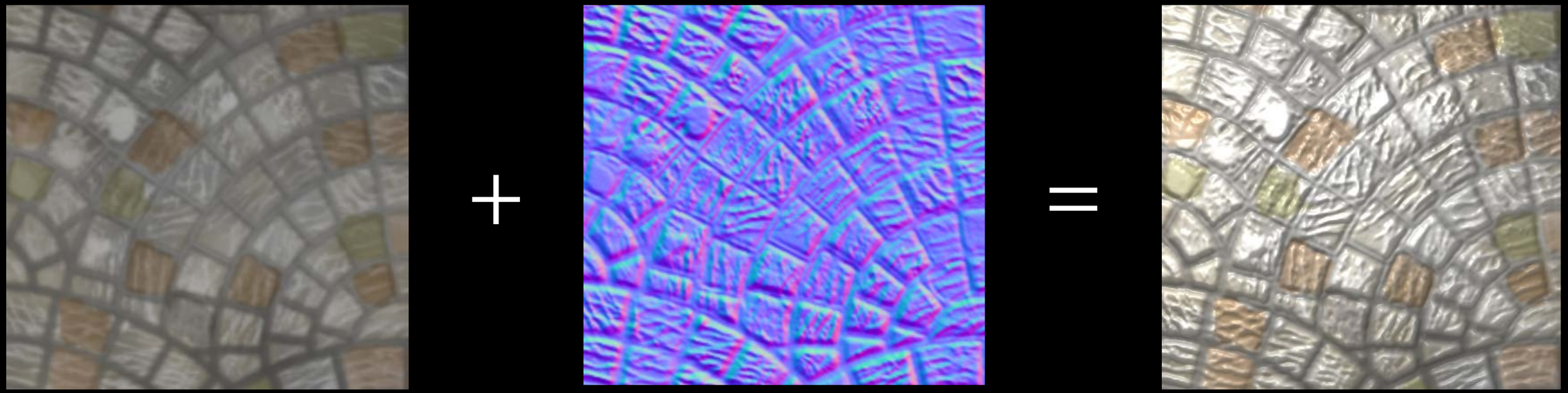
Normal map



```
sprite.normalTexture = [SKTexture textureWithImageNamed:@“normal”];
```

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Automatic normal map

```
sprite.normalTexture = [myTex textureByGeneratingNormalMap];
```

Lighting and Shadows

Automatic normal map

Tuning automatic normal map

- Smoothness
- Contrast

```
-(instancetype)textureByGeneratingNormalMapWithSmoothness:(CGFloat)smoothness
                                                  contrast:(CGFloat)contrast
```

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Lights are very easy to use

Automatic normal map provides dynamic look

Performance best practice

- Number of lights on the same sprite

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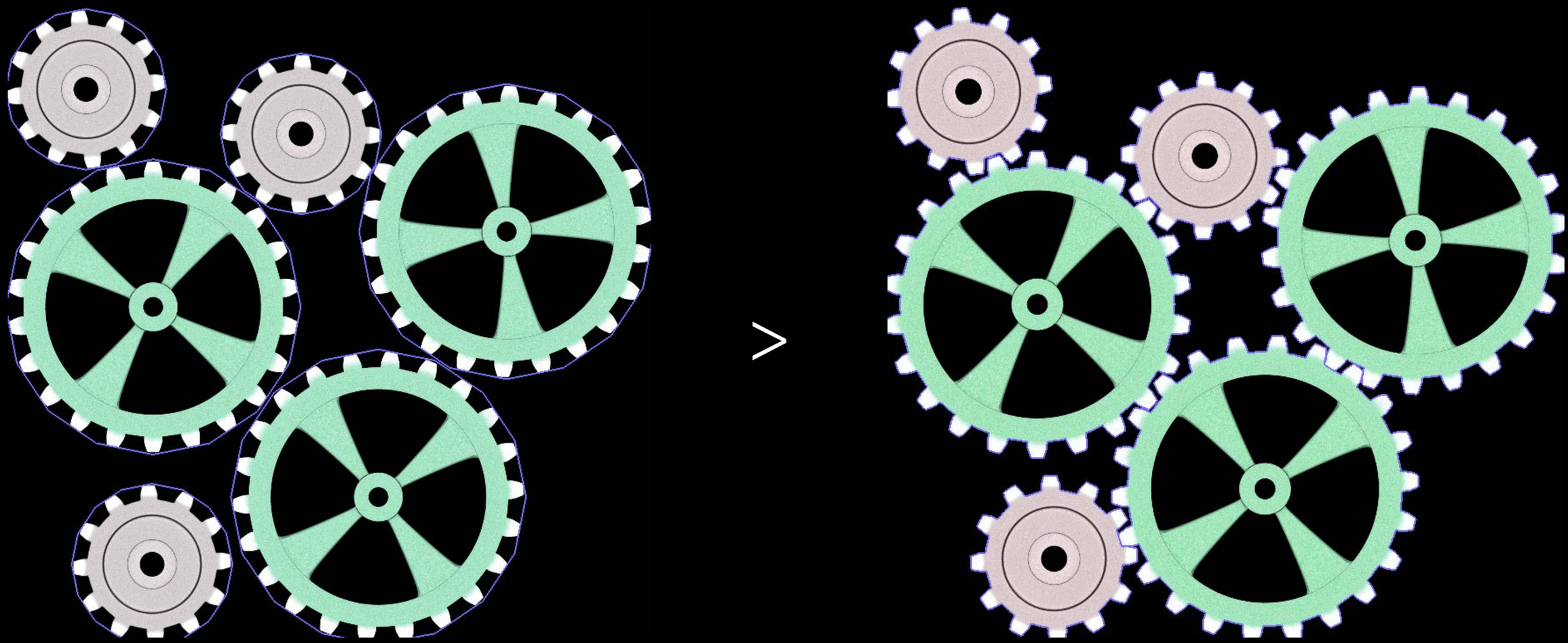
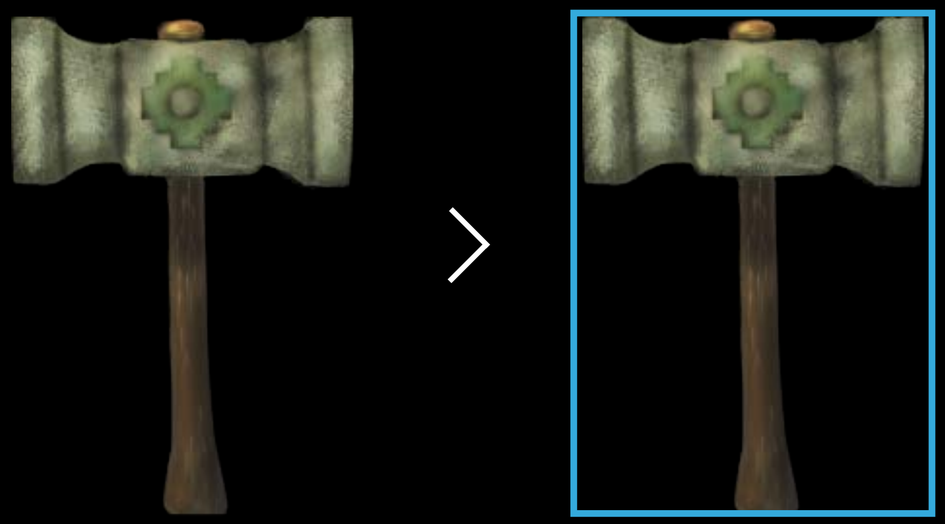


SKPhysicsBody

Initialization

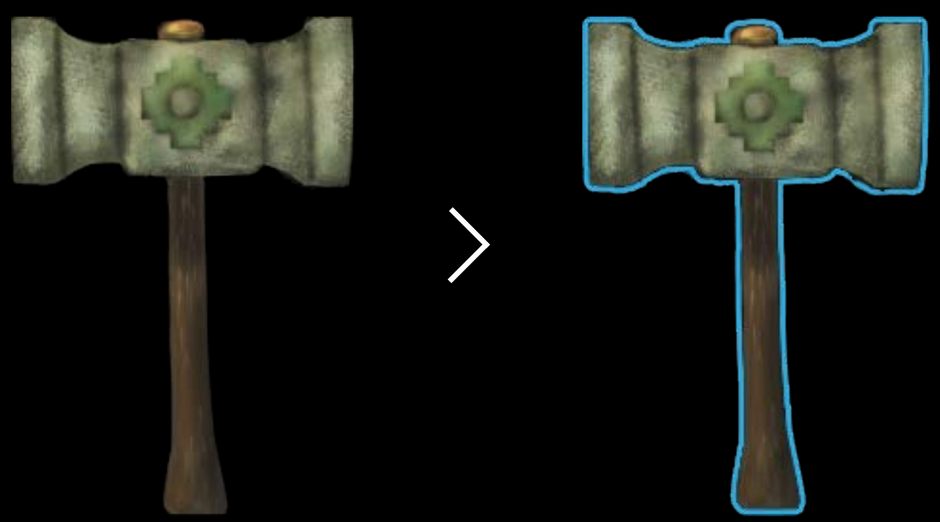
```
hammer.physicsBody = [SKPhysicsBody bodyWithRectangleOfSize:hammer.size];
```



SKPhysicsBody

Per-pixel physics initialization

```
hammer.physicsBody = [SKPhysicsBody bodyWithTexture:hammer.texture
                                               size:hammer.size];
```



SKPhysicsBody

Initialization

```
+ (SKPhysicsBody *)bodyWithTexture:(SKTexture *)texture
                     alphaThreshold:(float)alphaThreshold
                               size:(CGSize)size
```

alphaThreshold the alpha value above which a pixel is interpreted as opaque

Per-Pixel Physics

Summary

Easy creation

Accurate representation

Performance

- Provides a good balance between performance and accuracy
- Texture size matters
- Limit the number of per-pixel physics bodies

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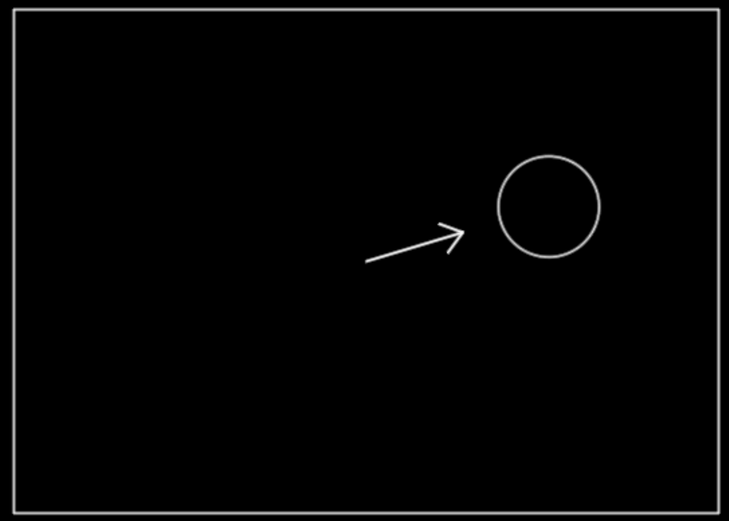
Remove boilerplate logic in game code

Applied after physics update

Interactions of constraints

- Cannon
- Runway
- Health indication



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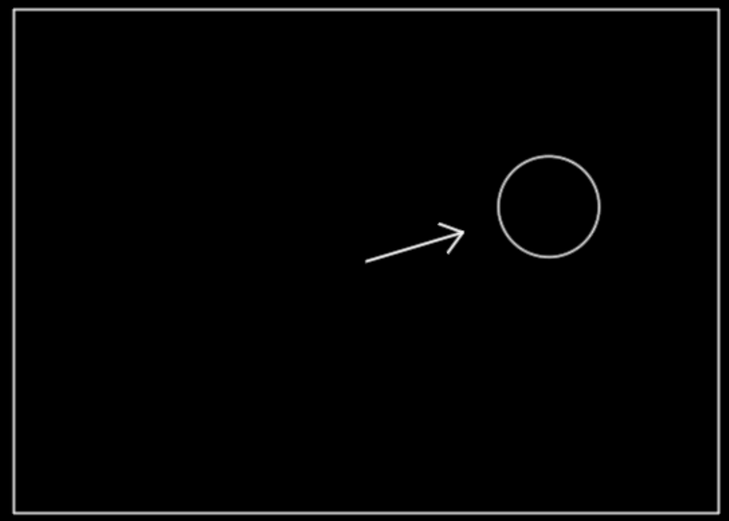

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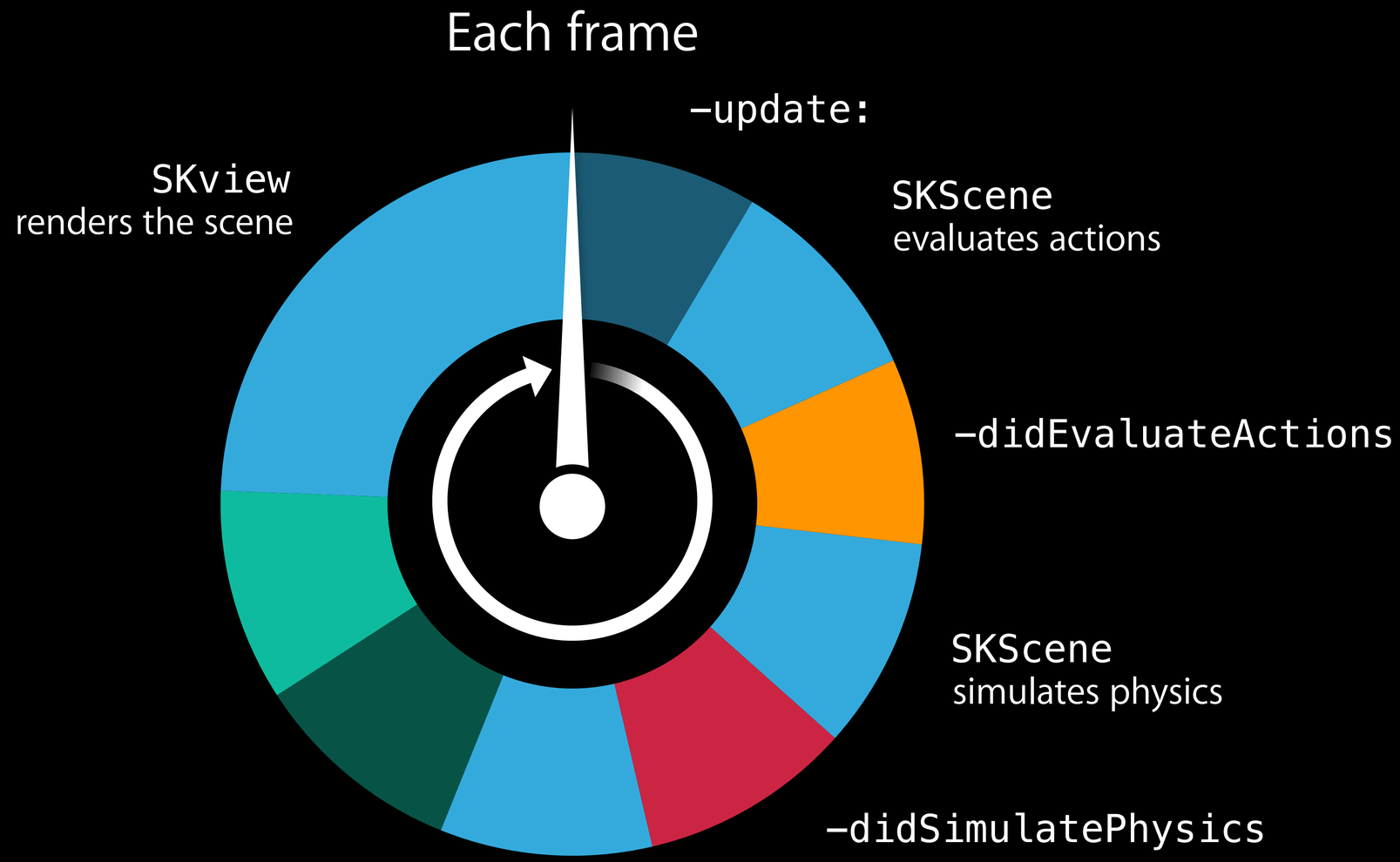

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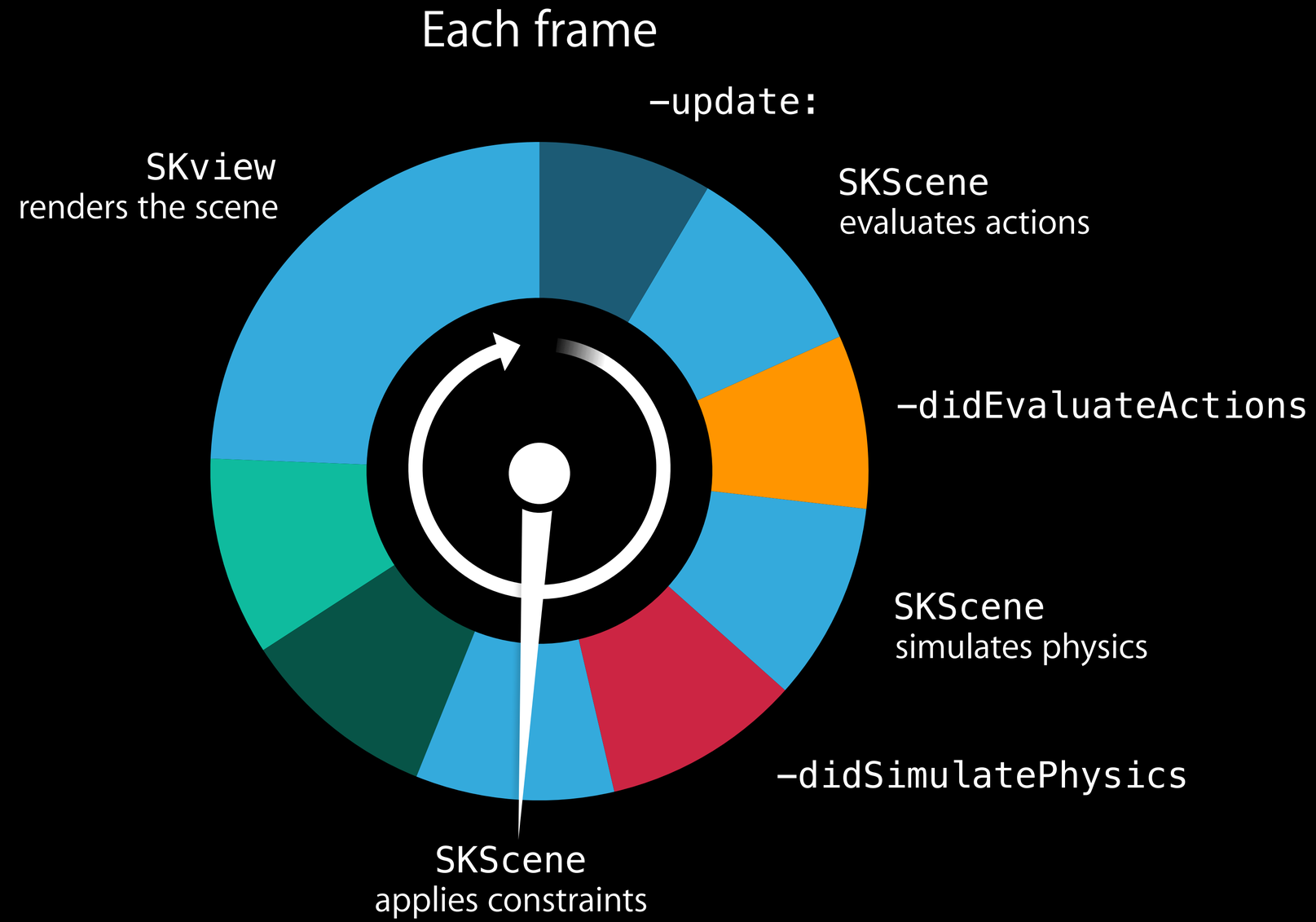

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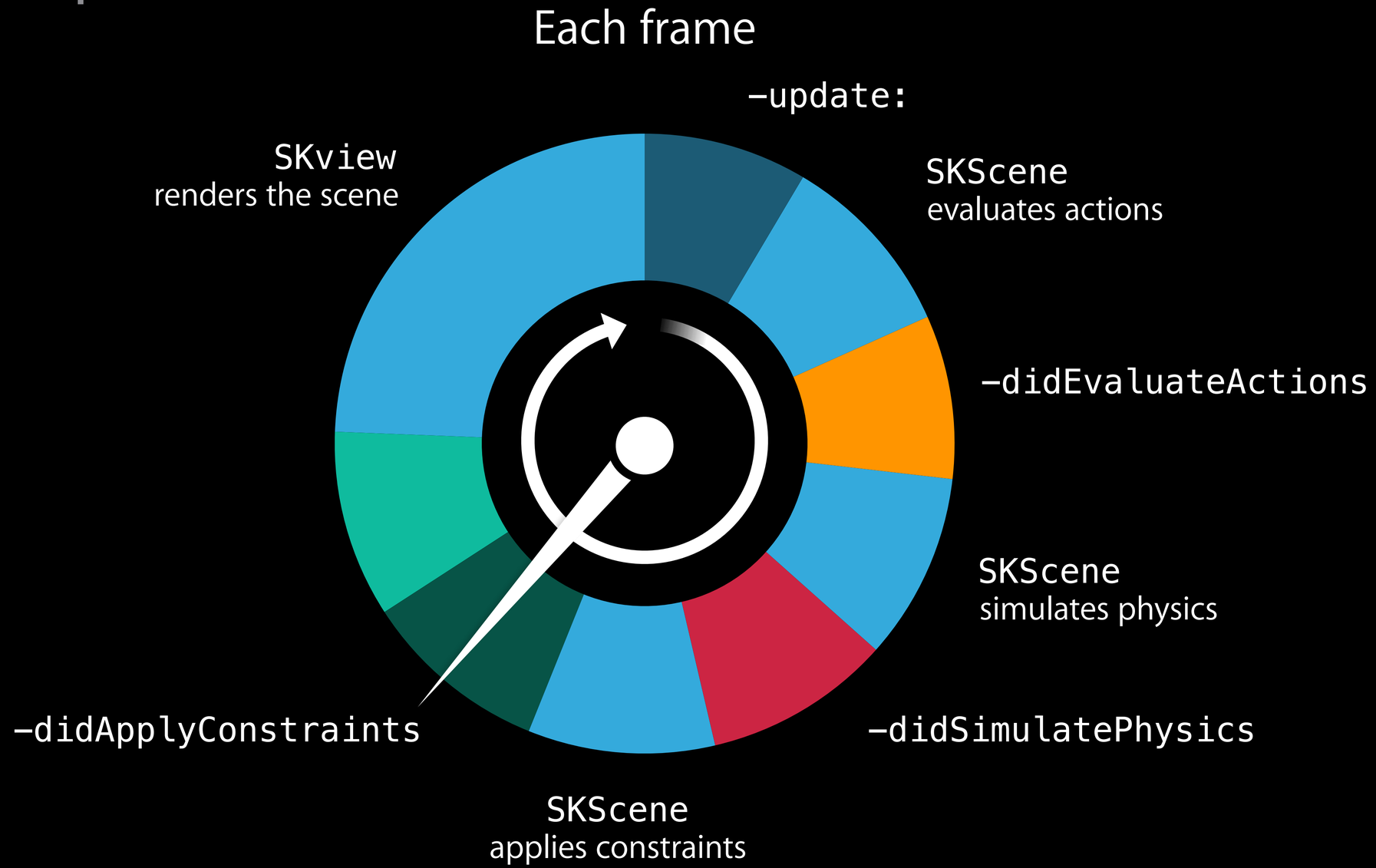

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Basics

New object—SKConstraint

Defines a mathematical constraint on one property of a node

Constraints are attached to nodes

Scene applies constraints attached to nodes

Constraints

Properties

Position

Orientation

Distance

Enable/Disable

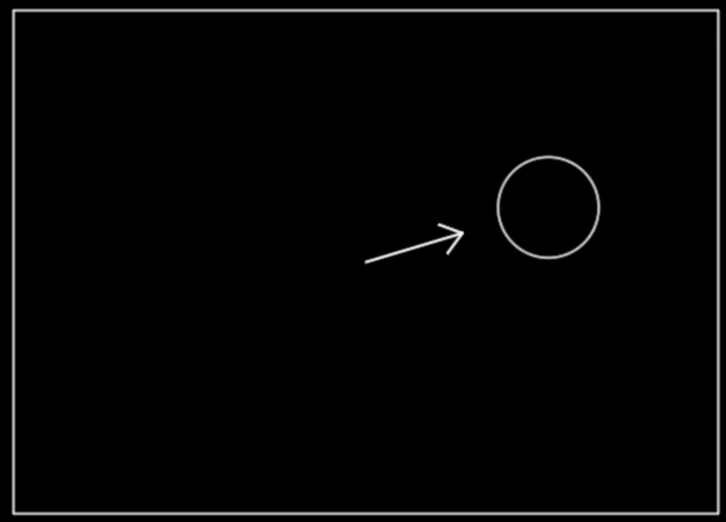
Example

Orient to node

```
SKRange* range = [SKRange rangeWithConstantValue:0.0f];

SKConstraint* orientConstraint = [SKConstraint orientToNode:targetNode
                                                     offset:range];

node.constraints = @[orientConstraint];
```



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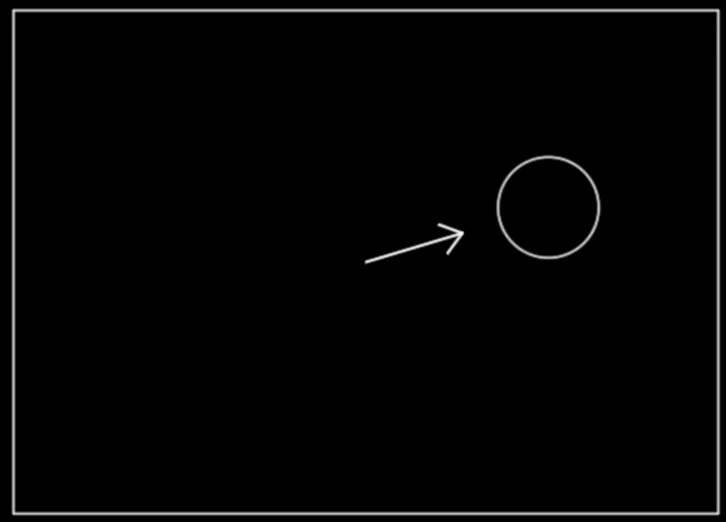

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SKConstraint* constraint1 = [SKConstraint positionX:range]; //X constraint
```

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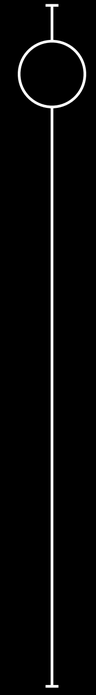
SKConstraint* constraint2 = [SKConstraint positionY:range]; //Y constraint
```



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node.constraints = @[constraintX,constraintY];
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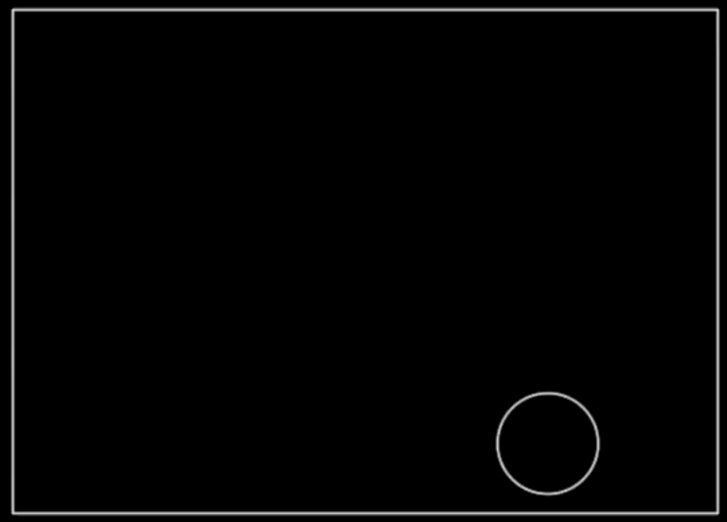

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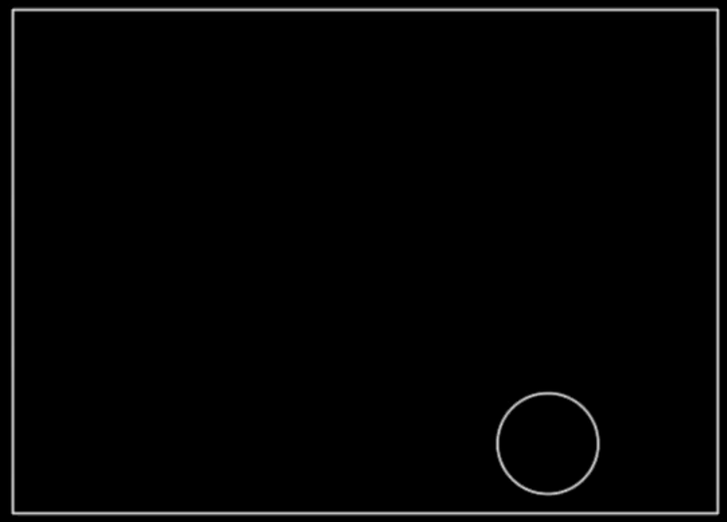

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Removes boilerplate code in scene update

Evaluated in order list in the array

Offers a variety of constraints

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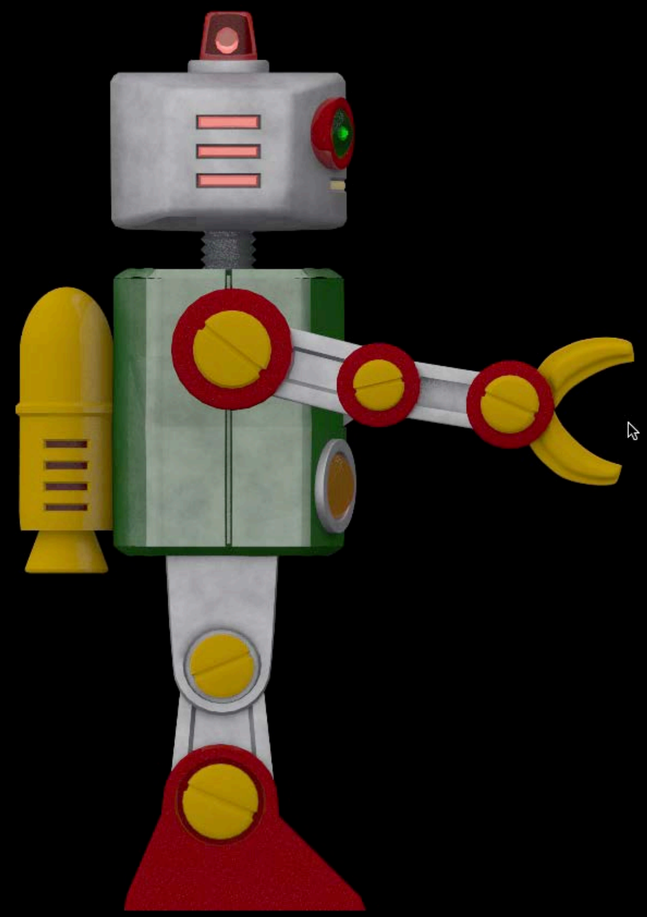

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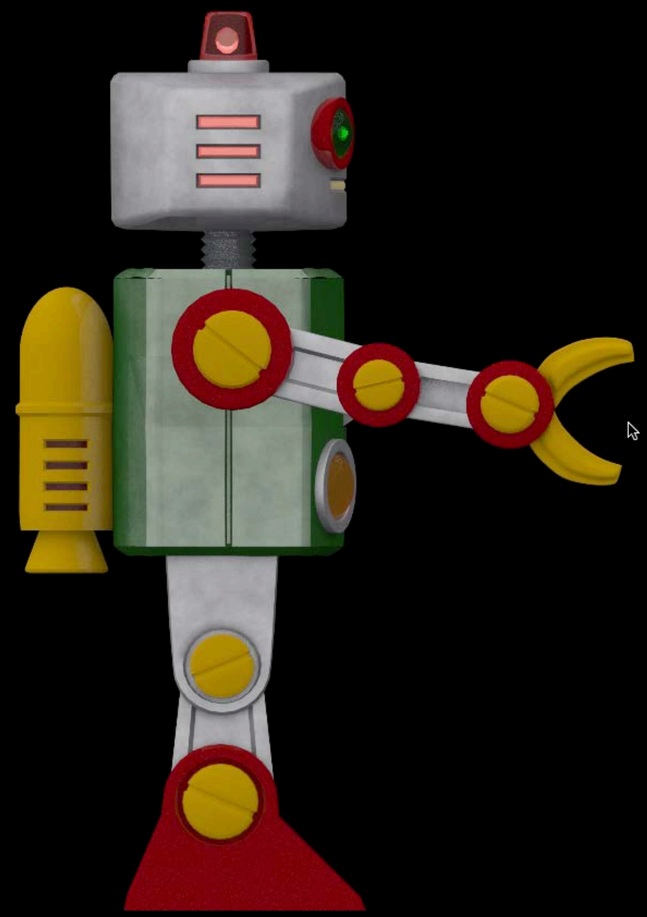

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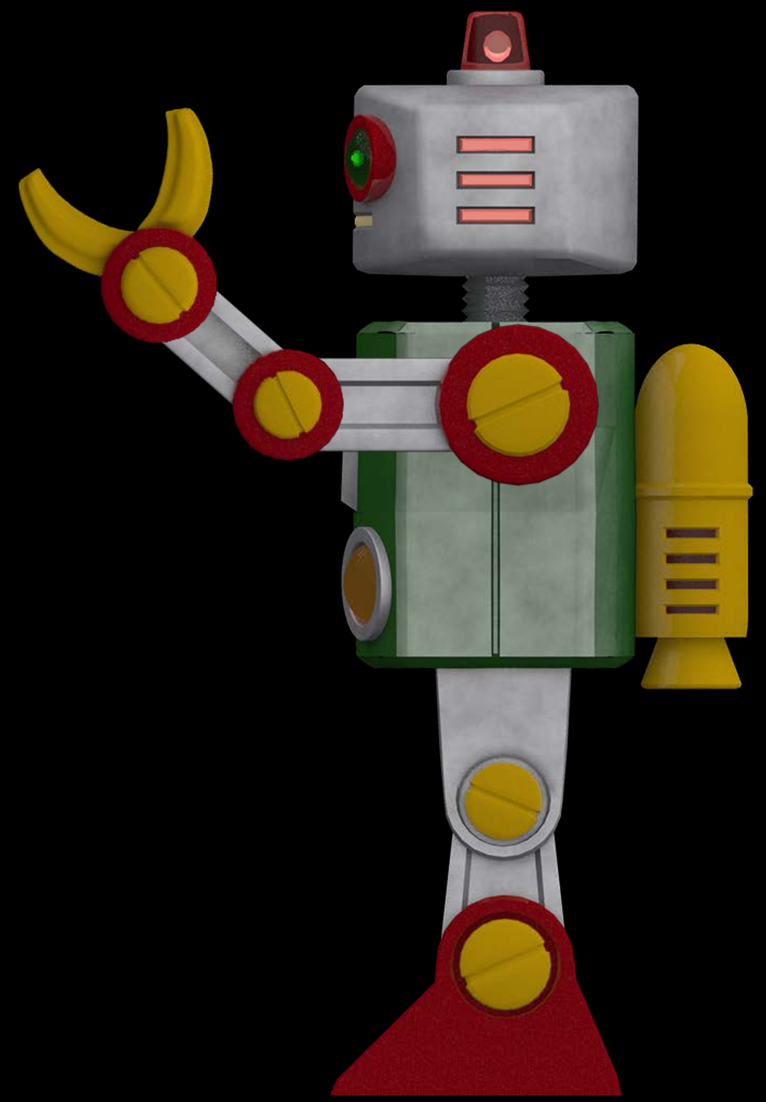

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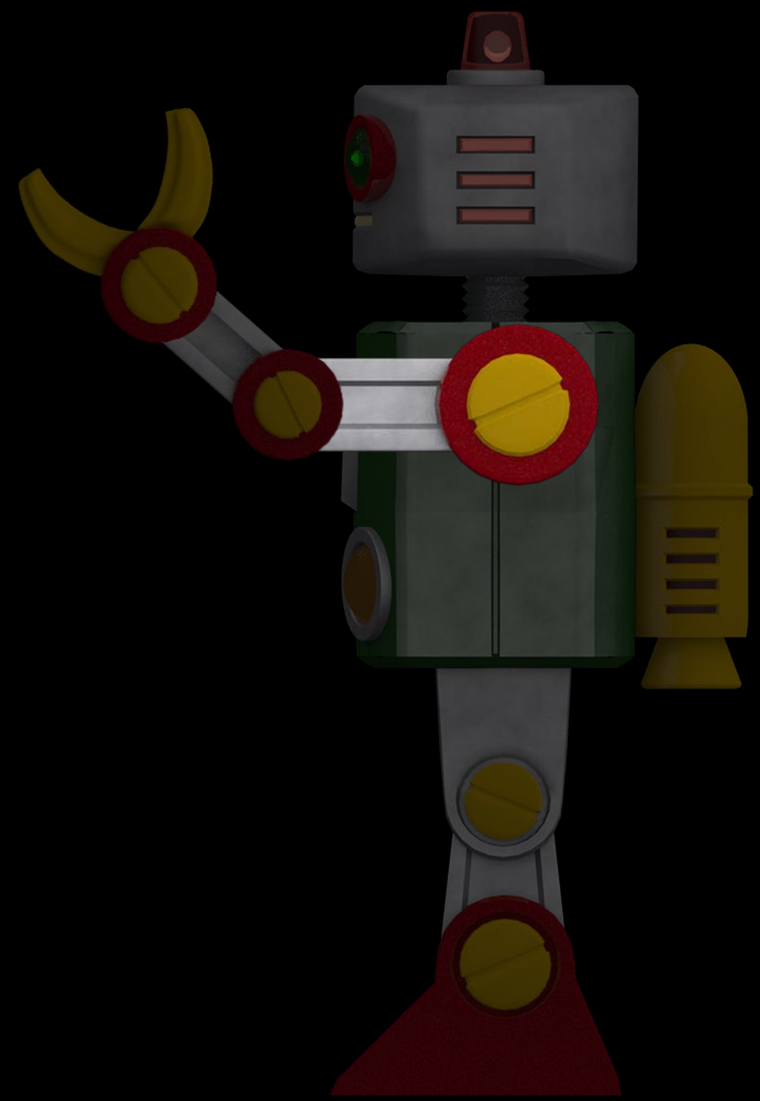

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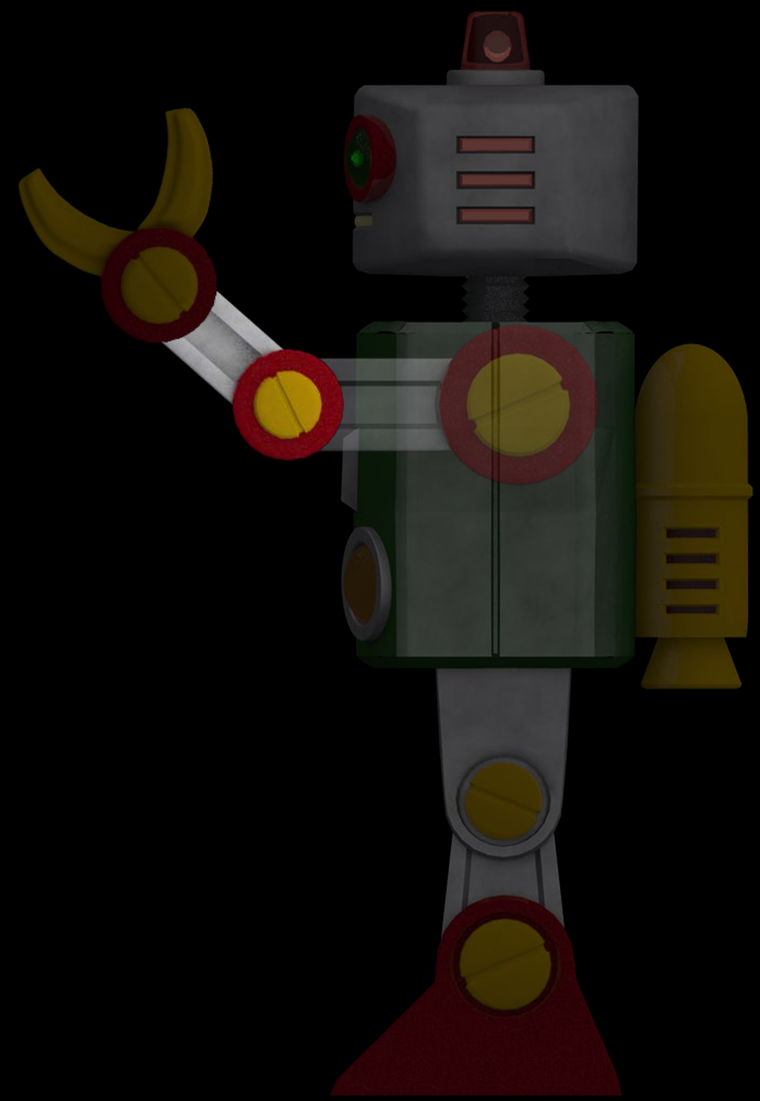

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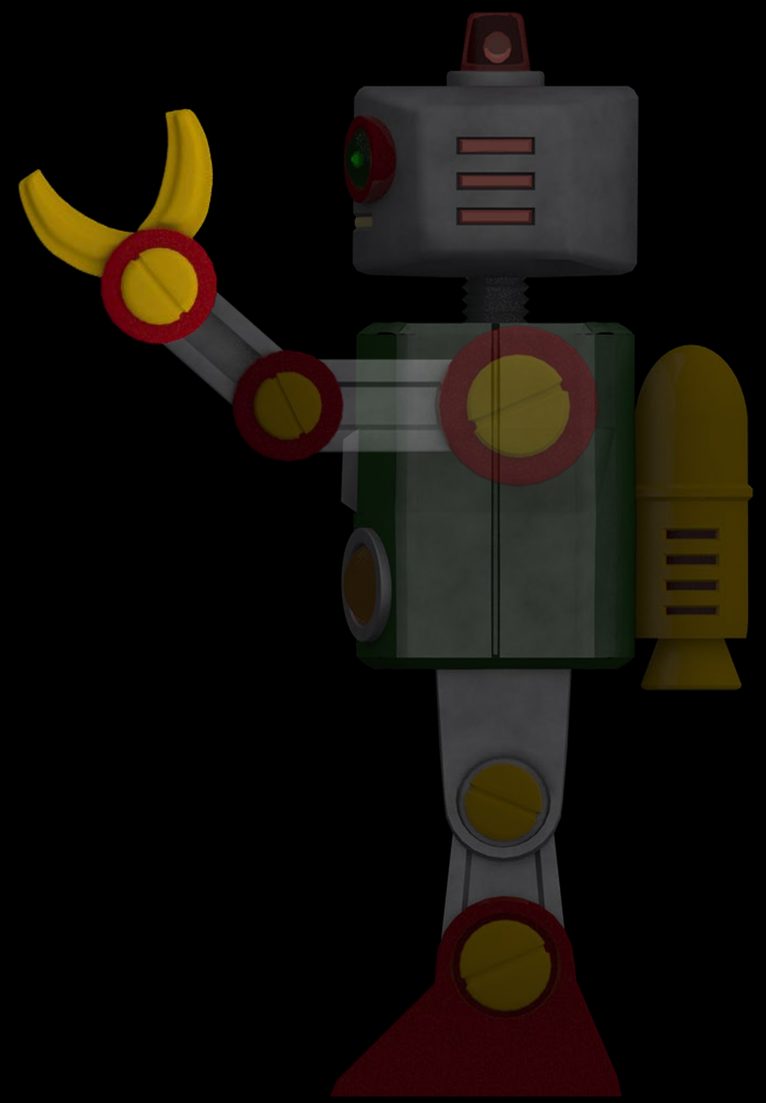

Inverse Kinematics in SpriteKit

Joints defined by scene graph

Existing parent-child relationship

Defines IK constraints on each joint

Controls the minimum and maximum rotation

Joint rotates around its anchor point

SKReachConstraints

```
@property (nonatomic, assign) CGFloat lowerAngleLimit;
@property (nonatomic, assign) CGFloat upperAngleLimit;
```

To set the constraint on a node, use

```
@property (nonatomic, copy) SKReachConstraints *reachConstraints;
```

Inverse Kinematics

Driving the joints

```
+ (SKAction *)reachTo:(CGPoint)position
             rootNode:(SKNode *)root
             duration:(NSTimeInterval)sec;
```

```
+ (SKAction *)reachToNode:(SKNode *)node
                 rootNode:(SKNode *)root
                 duration:(NSTimeInterval)sec;
```

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Example

```
[_endEffector runAction:[SKAction reachTo:p
                                 rootNode:_root
                                 duration:0.2]];
```

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3D

Shared IK solver is also available in SceneKit

`SCNIKConstraint`

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Uses existing scene graph to represent hierarchy

Constraints can be set on each joint

Easy to use action to reach for position or node

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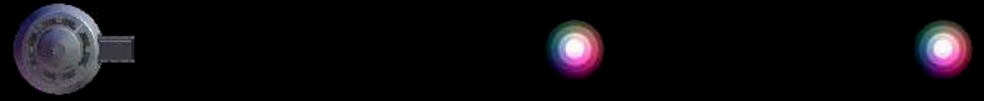

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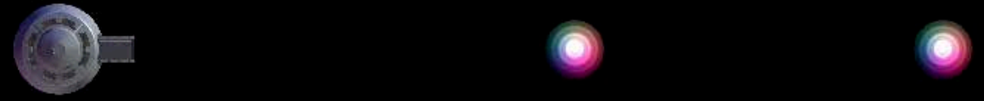


Physics Fields

Overview

Fields simulate physical forces

Fields affect physics bodies in a region

Variety of field types

- Drag field, vortex field, radial gravity field, linear gravity field, velocity field, noise field, turbulence field, spring field, electric field, magnetic field

Physics Fields

Field updates

The field node is in the scene's node tree

Physics bodies exist in the scene's node tree

Physics bodies are located inside the field node's region

Field's `categoryBitMask` property and the physics body's `fieldBitMask`

Physics Fields

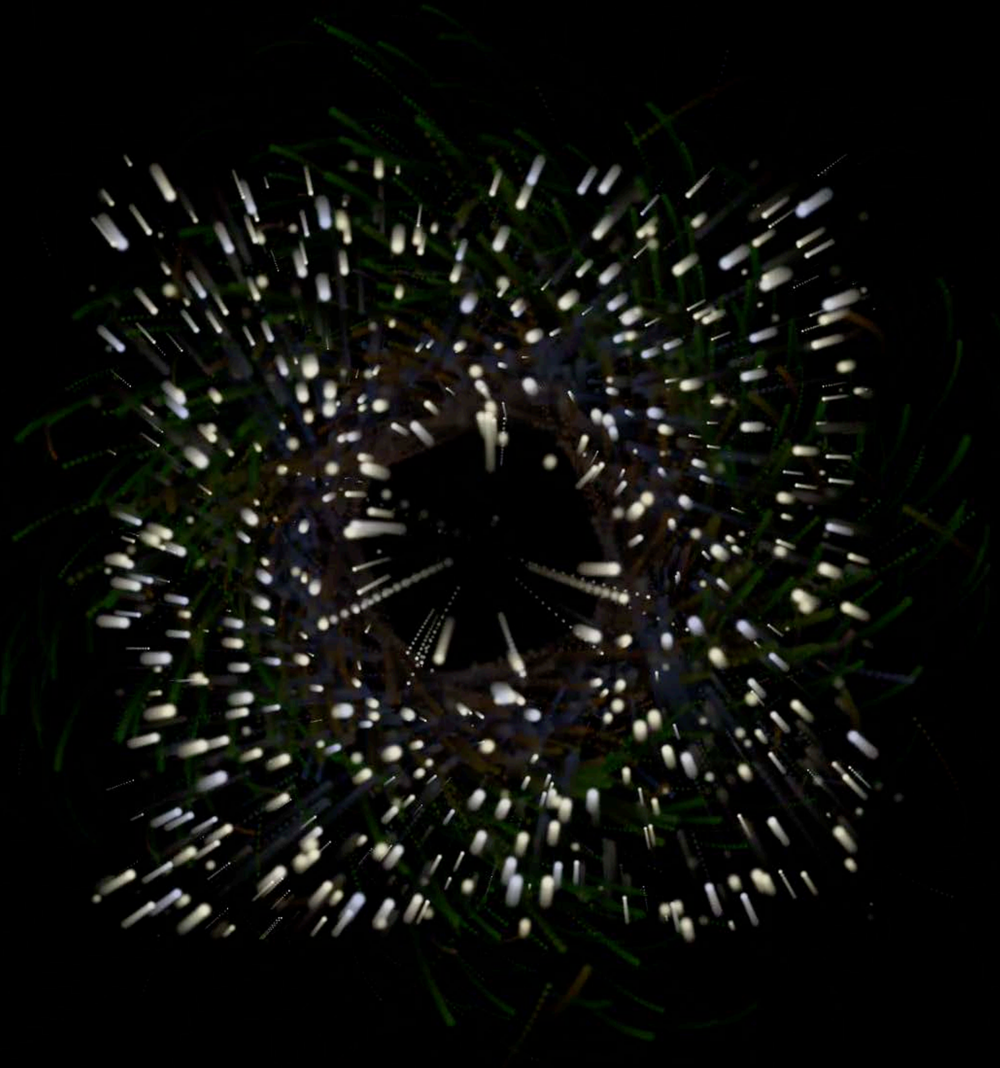
Field node

SKFieldNode

- region
- strength
- minRadius
- falloff
- categoryBitMask

SKPhysicsBody

- fieldBitMask



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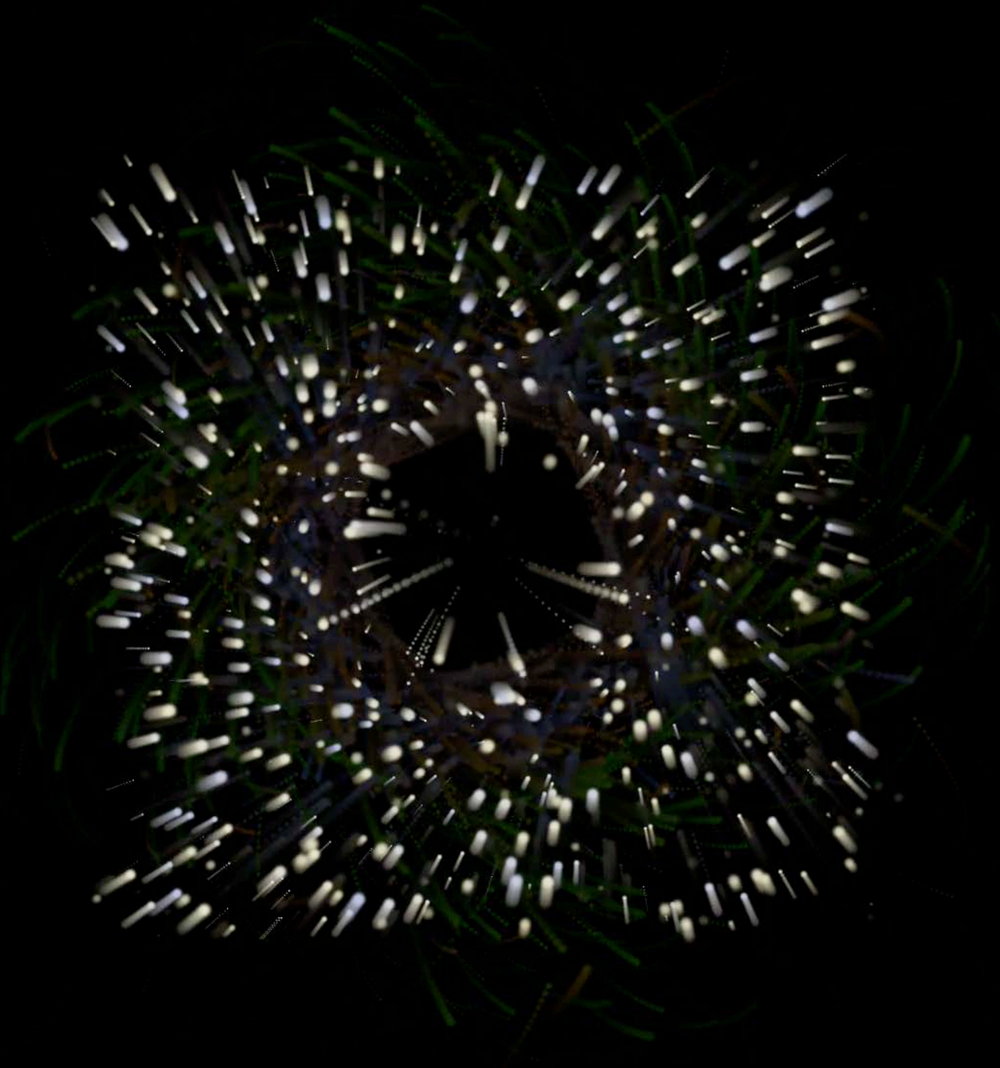


Physics Fields

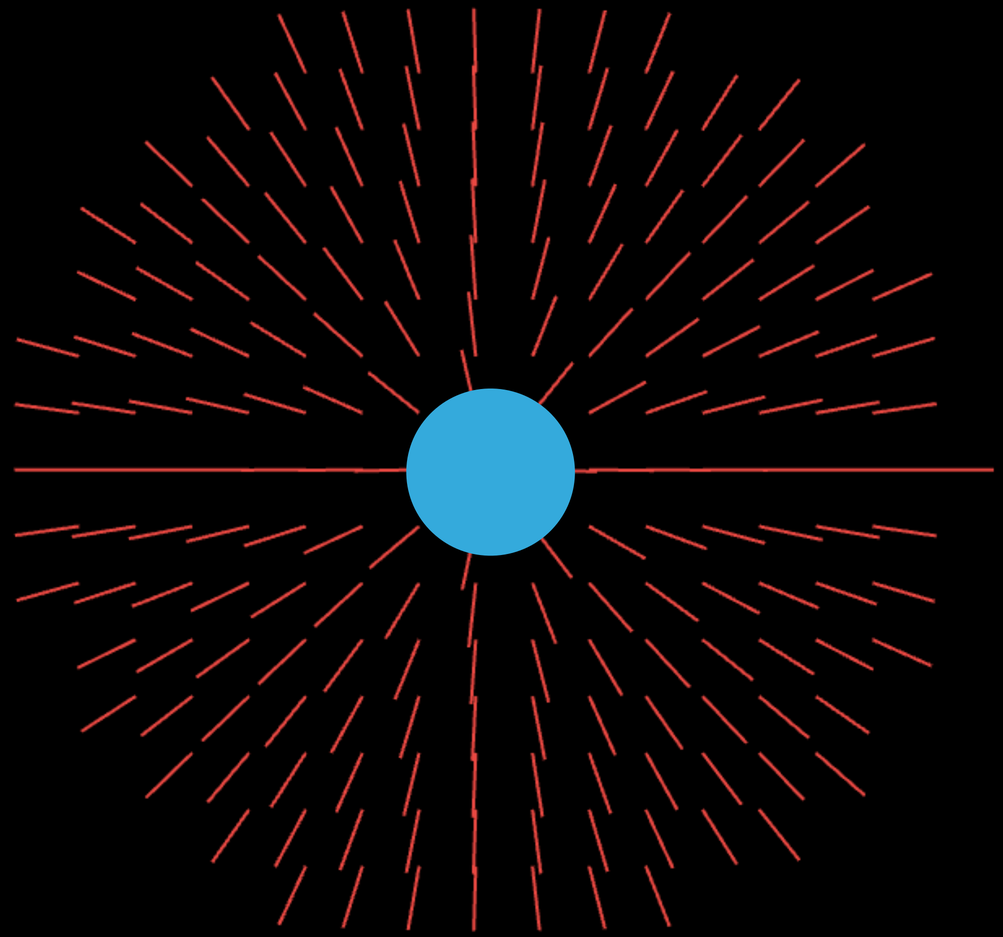
Region

New object—SKRegion

Regions define a 2D space

Can be infinite, rectangle, circle, CGPath

Can invert, subtract, union, intersect regions



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Linear gravity field

Applies force in a given direction

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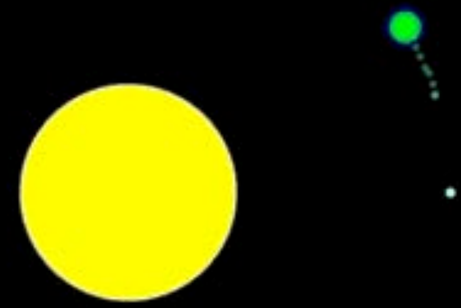
Radial gravity field

Applies force toward field origin



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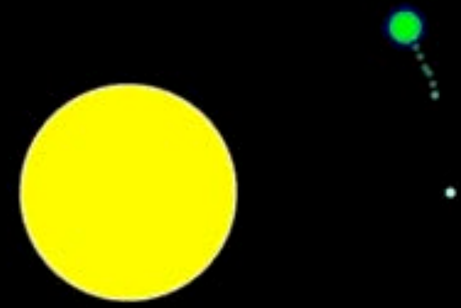

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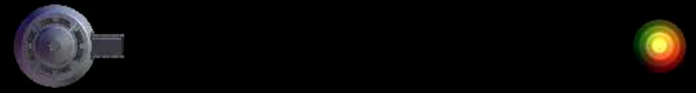
Spring field

Applies force toward field origin with spring oscillation



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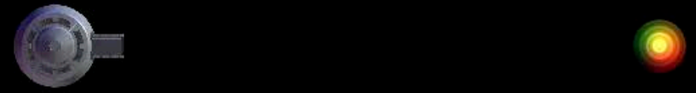

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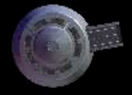
Applies a force proportional an object’s charge



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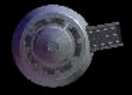

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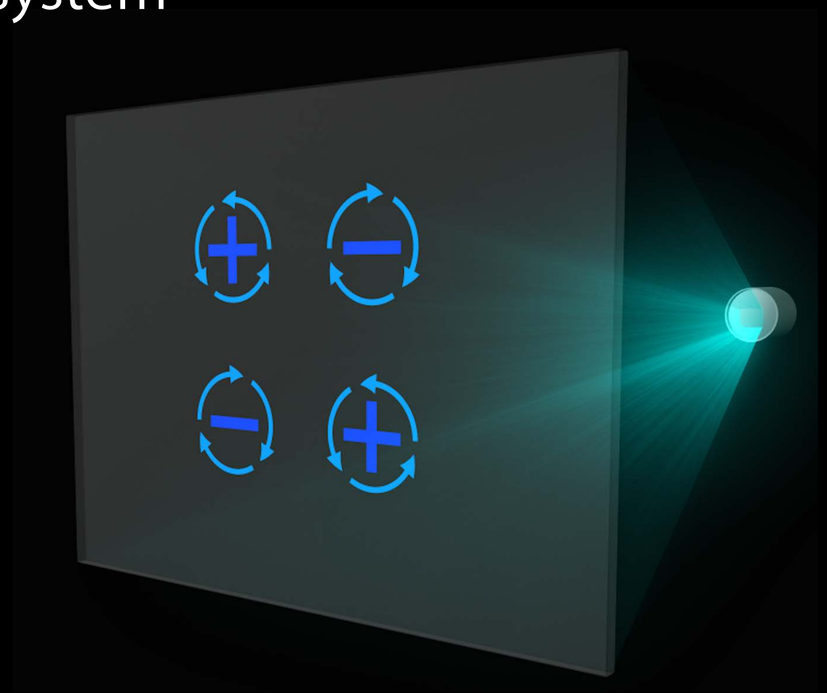
Objects can interact with multiple fields

Lorenz system



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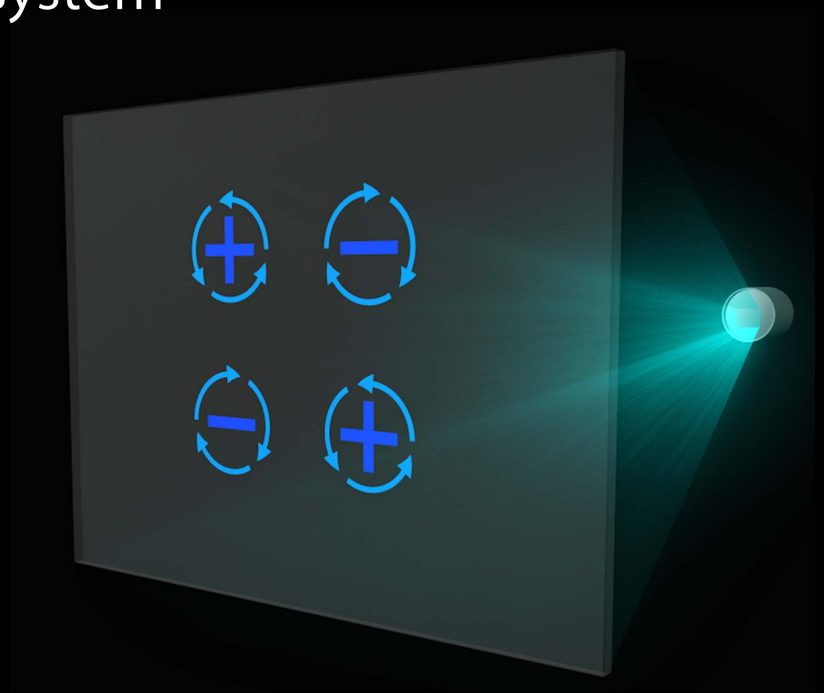

Physics Fields

Summary

Fields are fast and efficient

Interact with physics bodies and particles

Interact with other physics fields

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SpriteKit and SceneKit

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SceneKit Integration

Include 3D content in SpriteKit games

Control 3D objects like regular SKNodes

Renders as part of SpriteKit scene graph

Loosely coupled, deeply integrated

SK3DNode

Overview

Incorporate 3D content into a SpriteKit-based game

Attaches an SCNScene to a SKNode

- Renders 3D content directly inside SpriteKit GL context

Add existing .dae or .abc file to SKScene

Use the `scnScene` to specify the 3D scene to be rendered

SK3DNode

Creation

scnNodeWithViewportSize

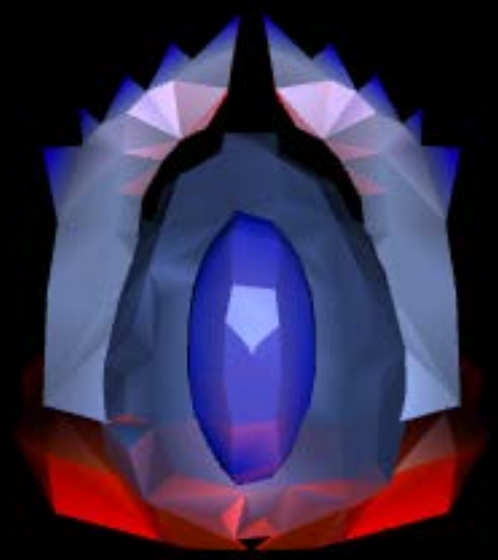
- Creates and initializes a new 3D node

```
@property SCNScene *scnScene
@property CGSize viewportSize
@property(nonatomic, retain) SCNNode *pointOfView
@property(nonatomic) BOOL autoenablesDefaultLighting
```

SK3DNode

Example

```
SK3DNode *alien3D = [[SK3DNode alloc] initWithViewportSize:CGSizeMake(200, 200)];
SCNScene *alienSCN = [SCNScene sceneNamed:@"alien.dae"];
alien3D.scnScene = alienSCN;
[self addChild:alien3D];
```



SceneKit Integration

Textures and sounds

Use SKTexture with SceneKit objects

- SKTextureAtlas and generation tool
- Automatic normal map generation

Shared auto playback interface

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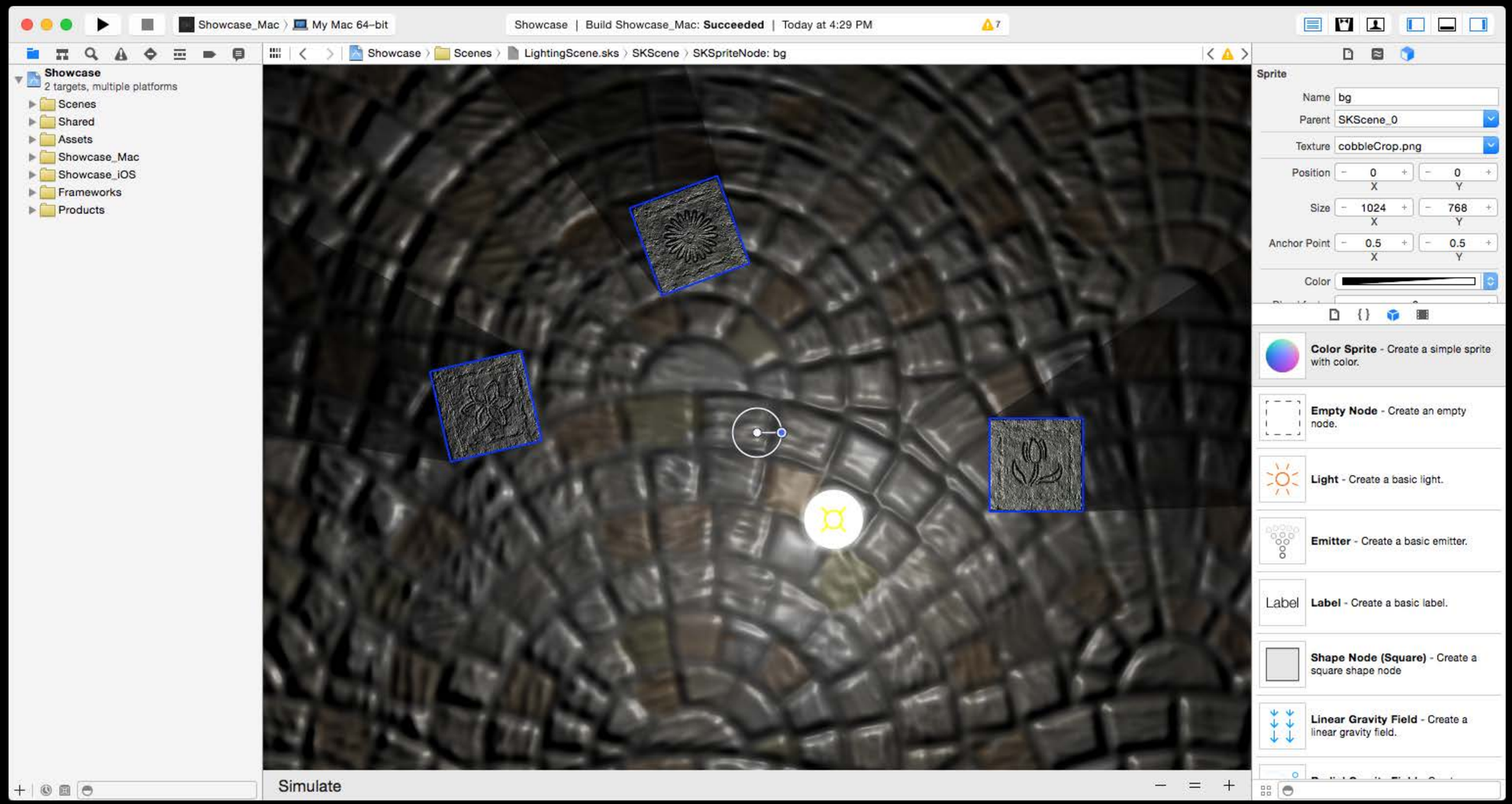

SpriteKit Editor

Overview

Provides various editors integrated inside of Xcode

Data drive your game

Updated and simplified game project templates

Exported content can be deployed on OS X and iOS

Debug and edit existing scenes

```
[NSKeyedArchiver archiveRootObject:self toFile:@"snapshot.sks"];
```

SpriteKit Editor

Features

Object manipulation and placement

Physics bodies set-up

3D node

Shading and lighting

Inverse kinematic

Shader editor

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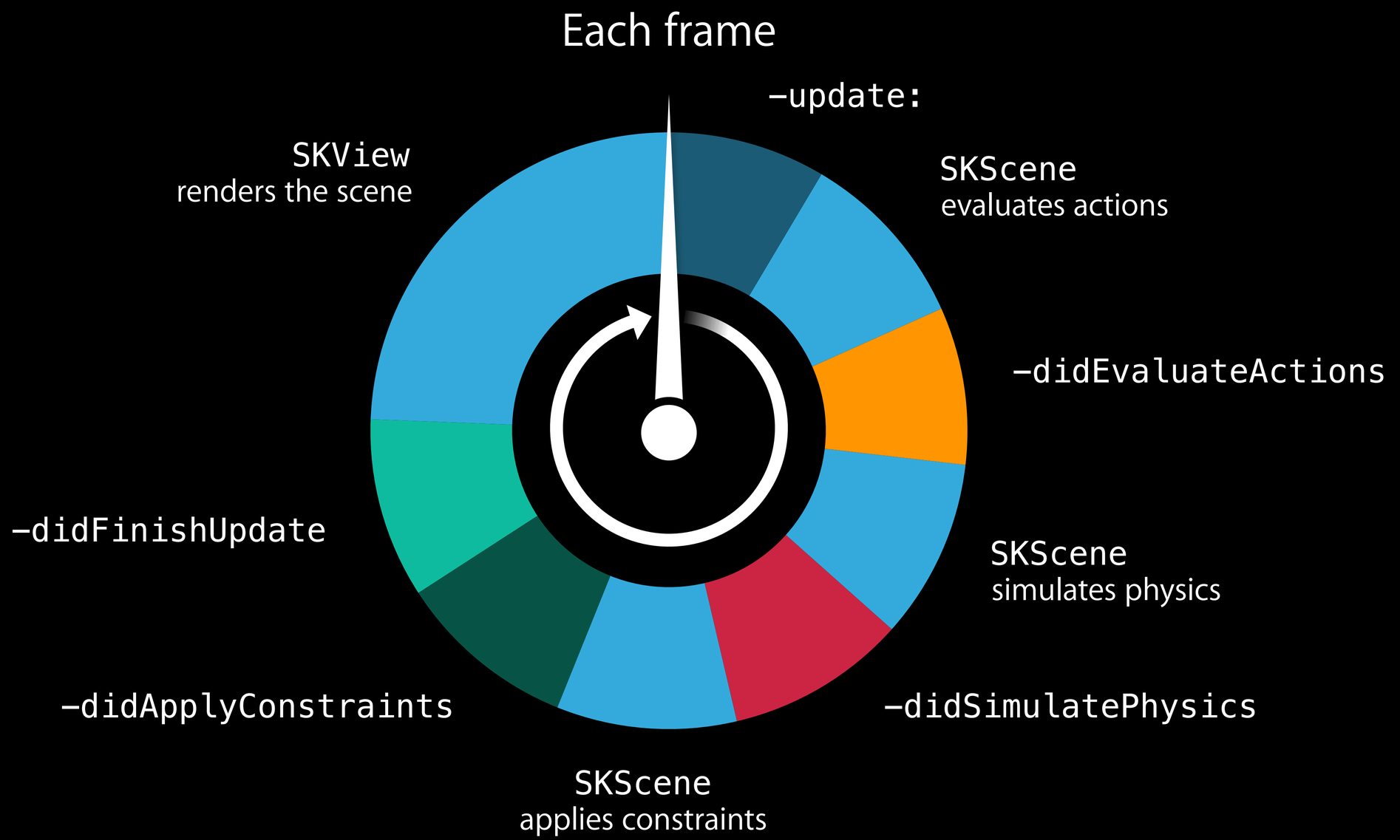
SKScene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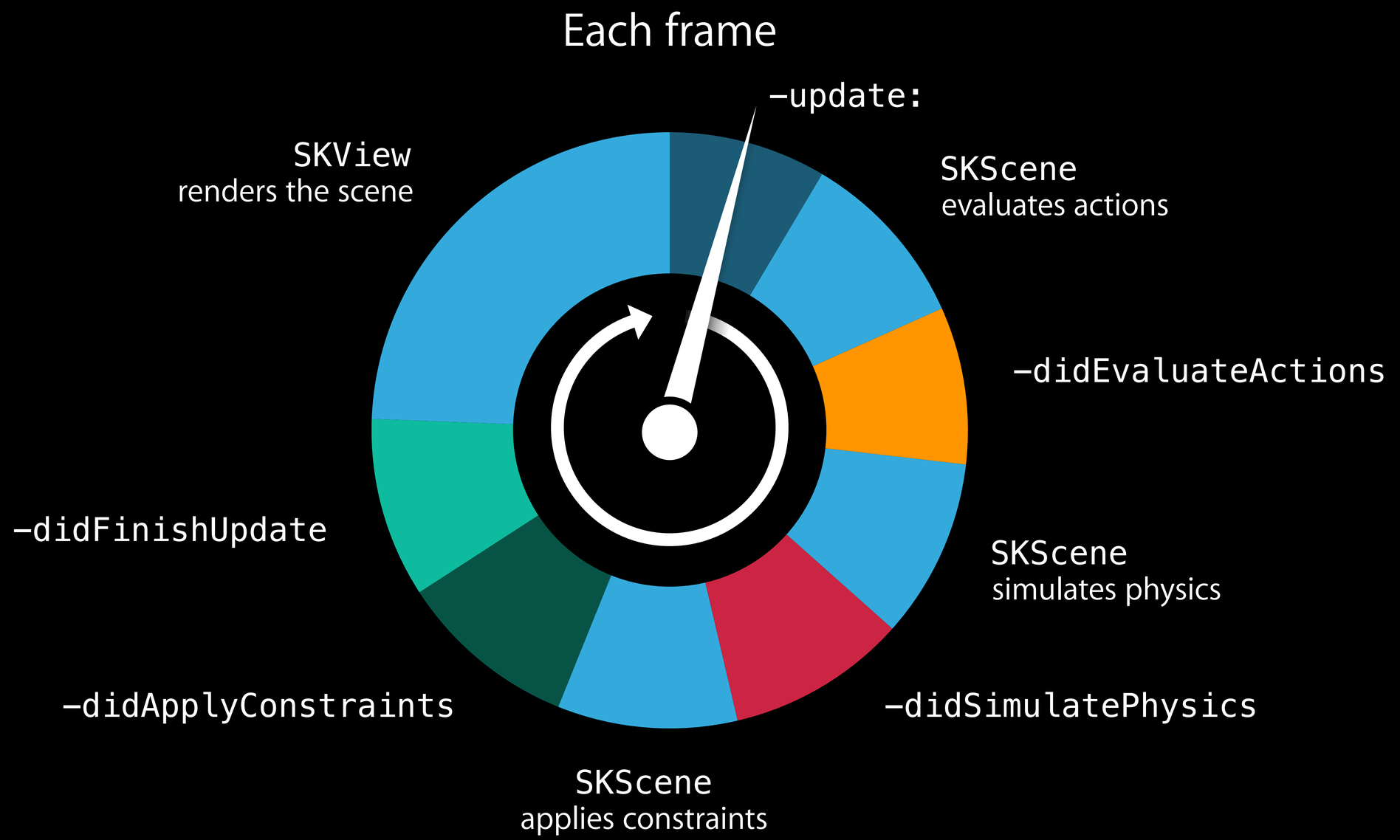
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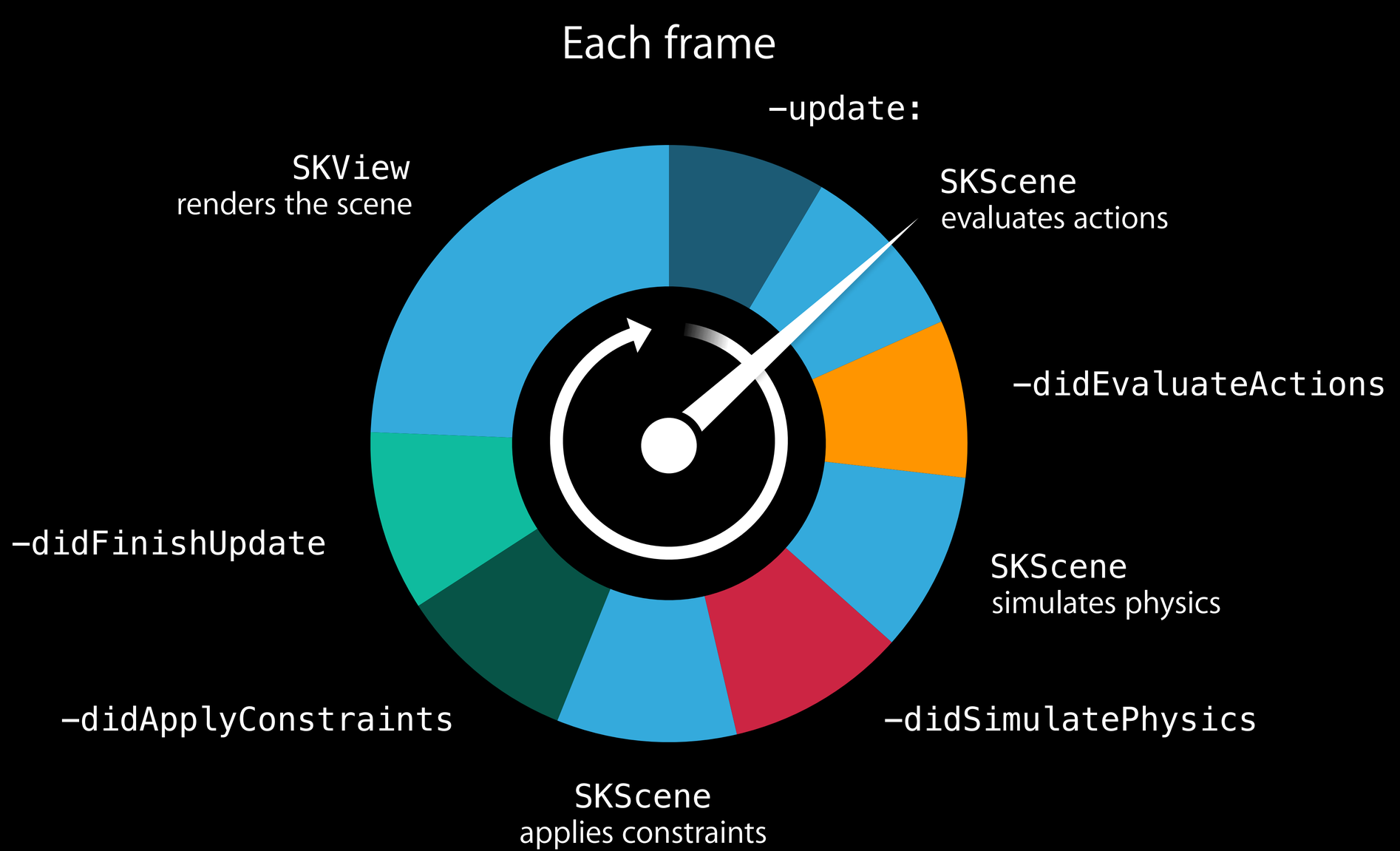
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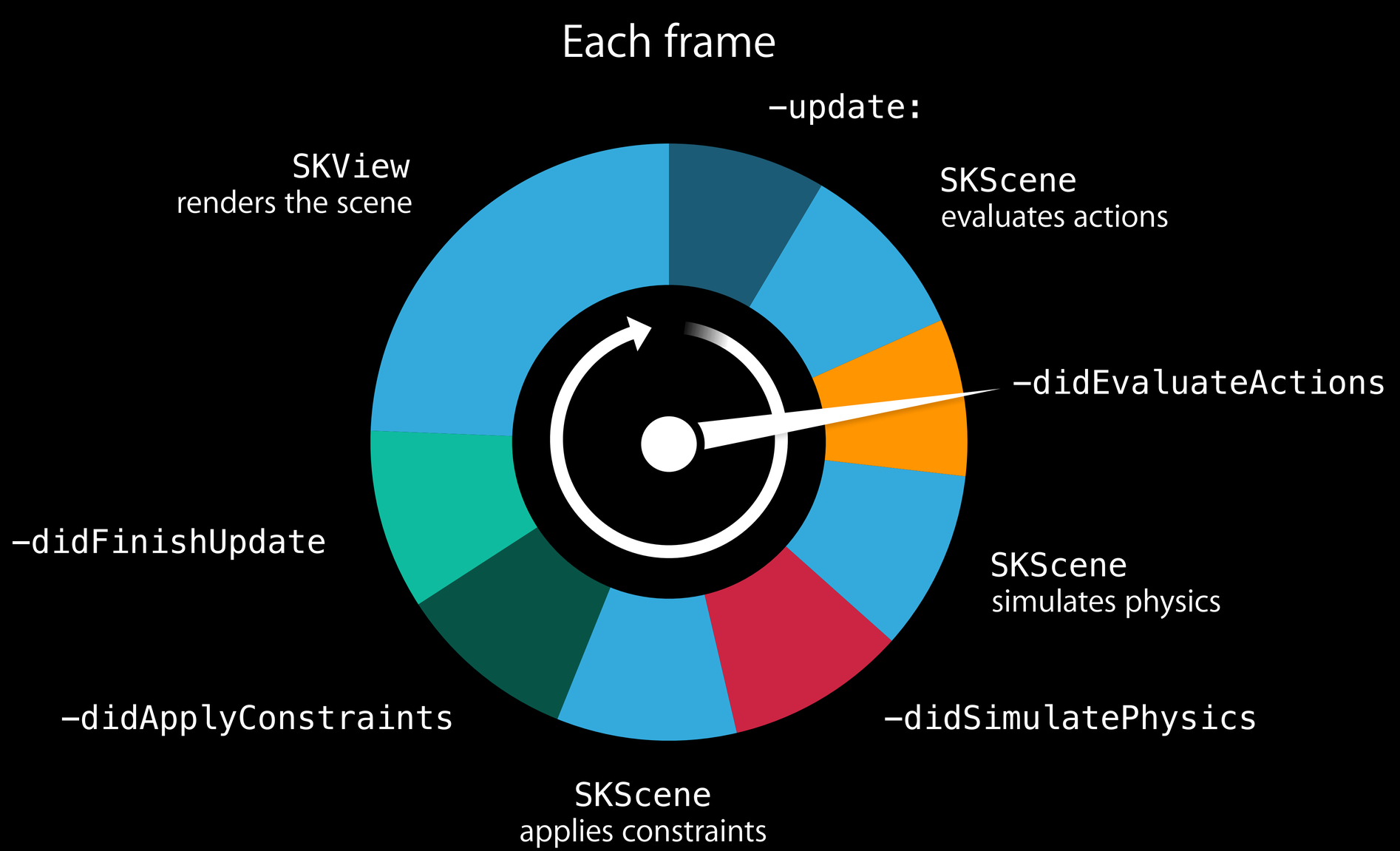
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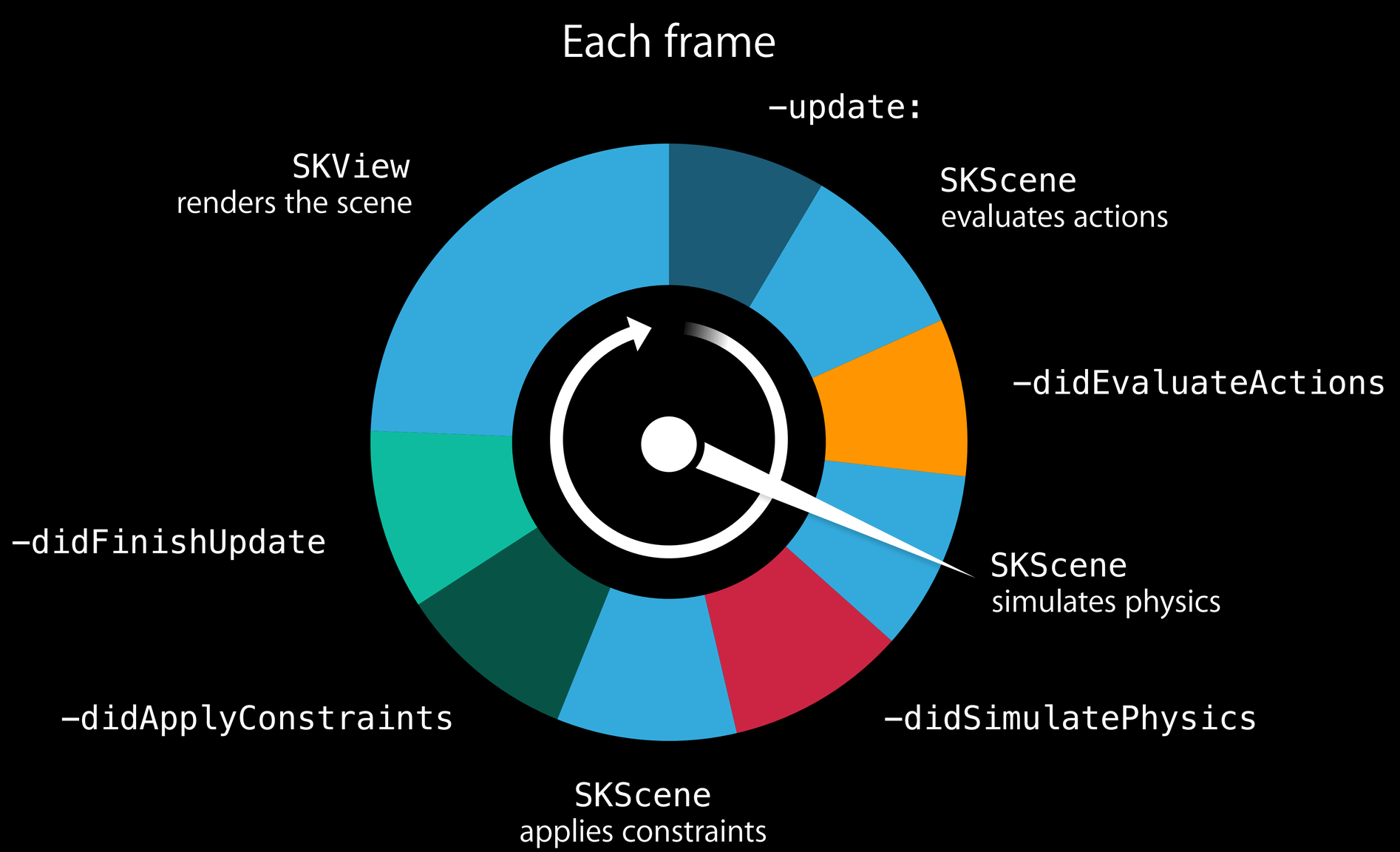
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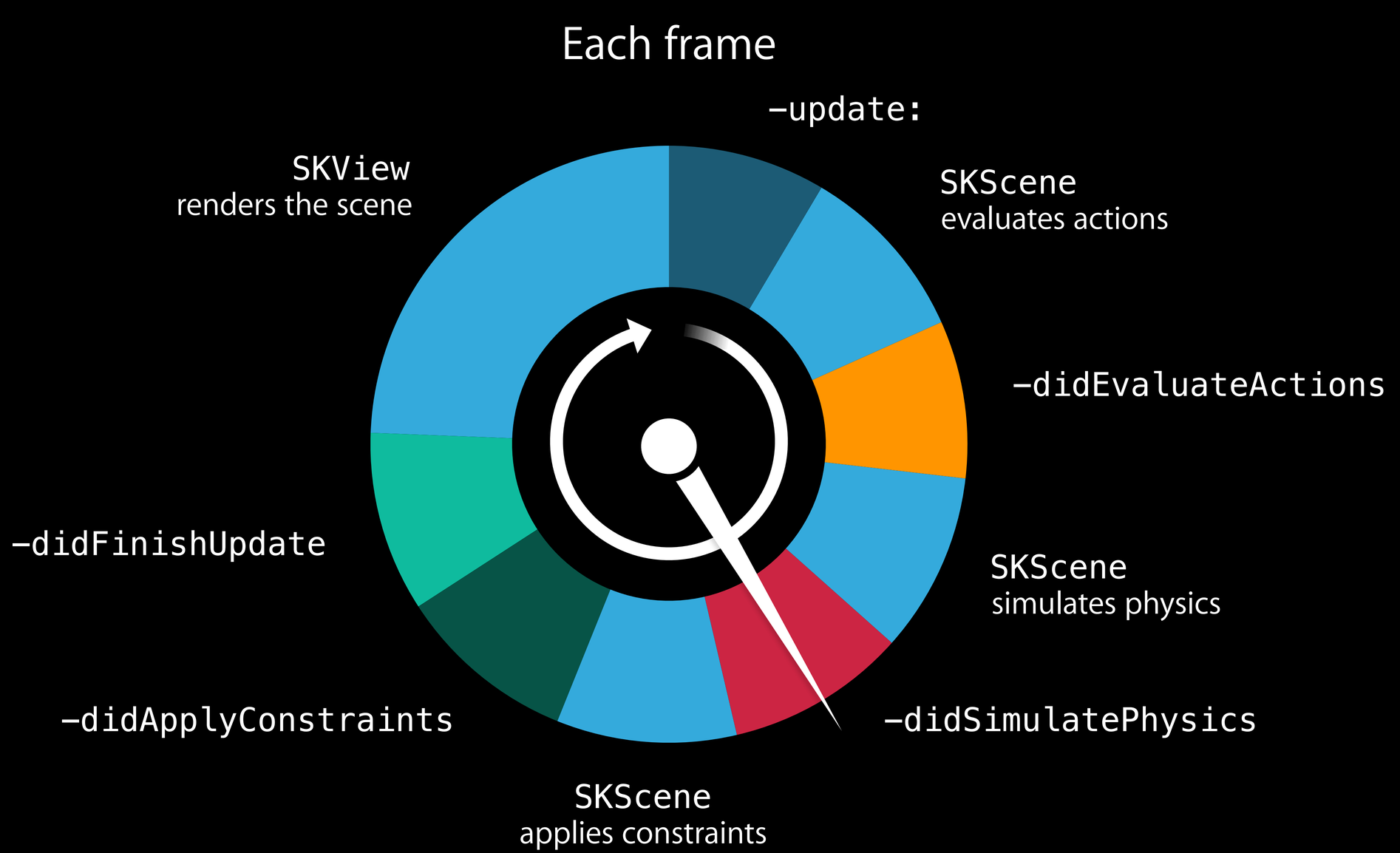
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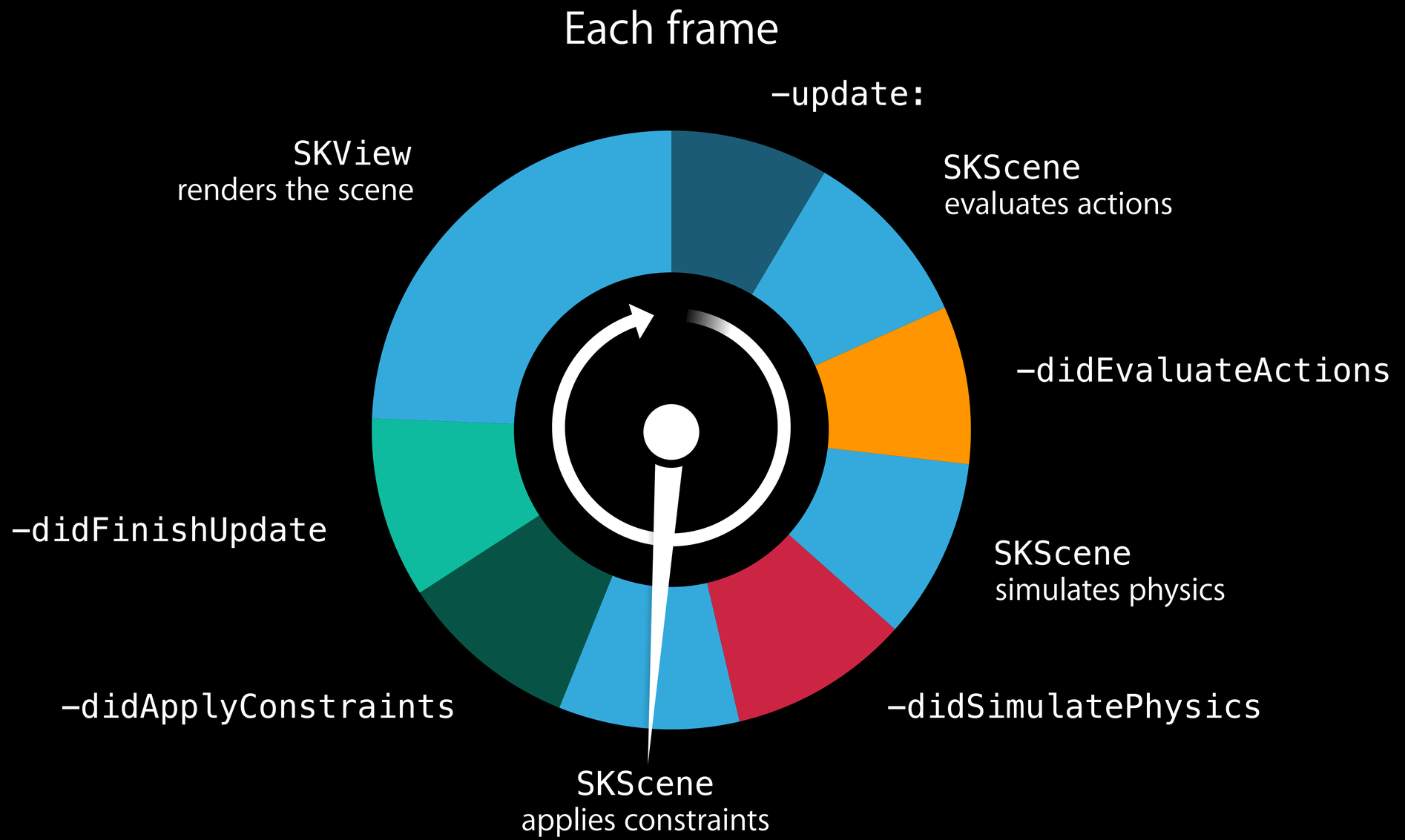
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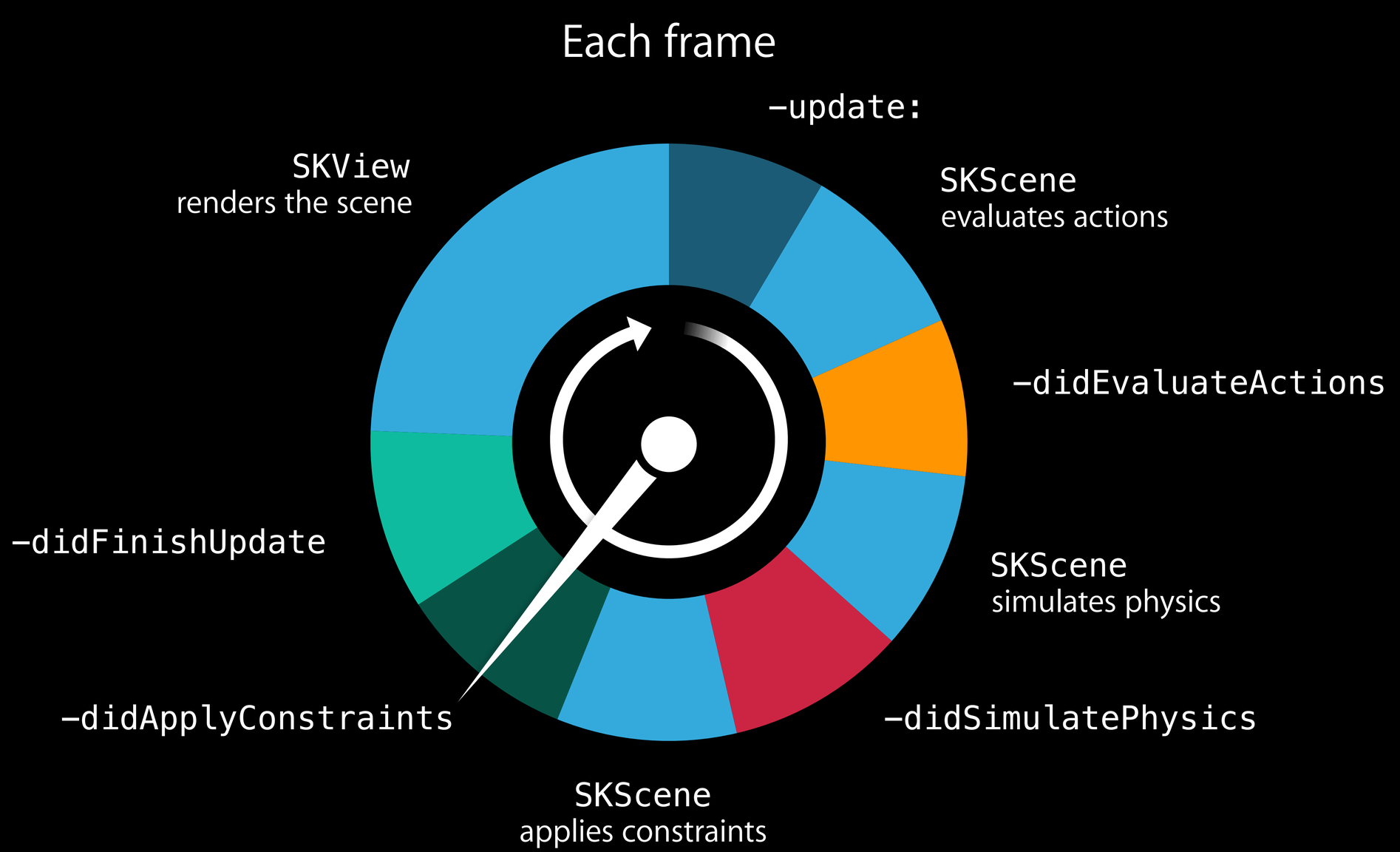
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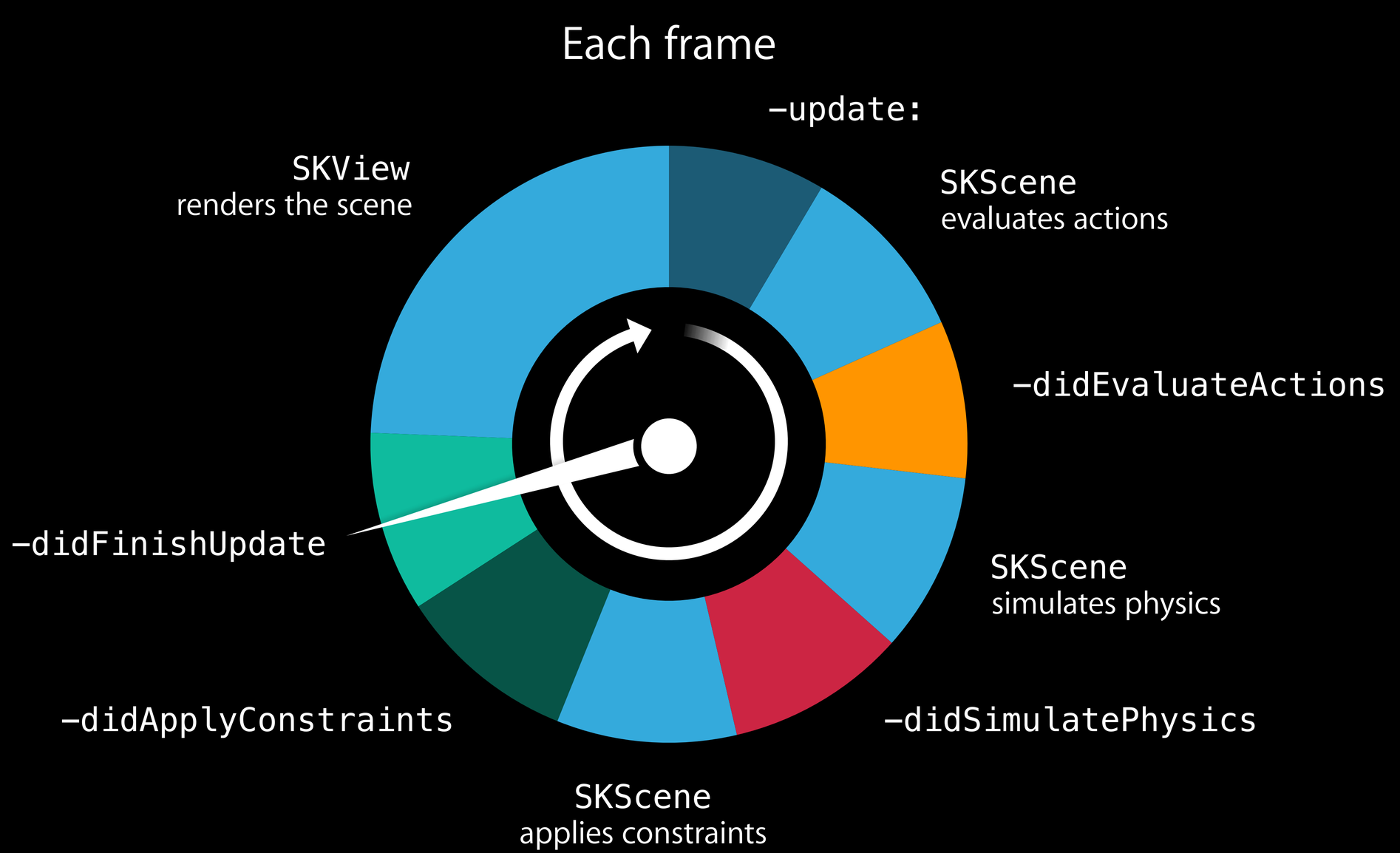
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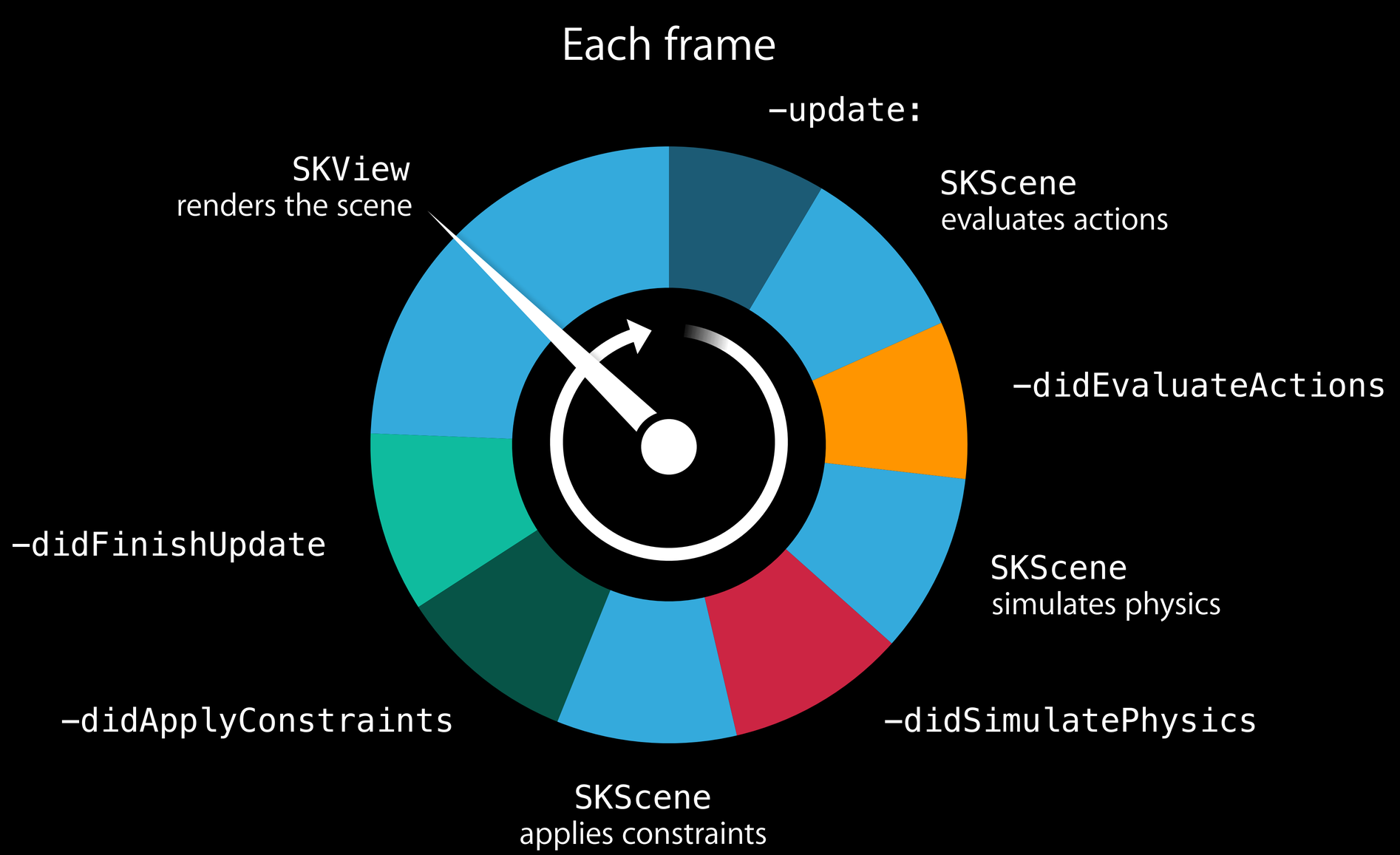
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Mutable texture

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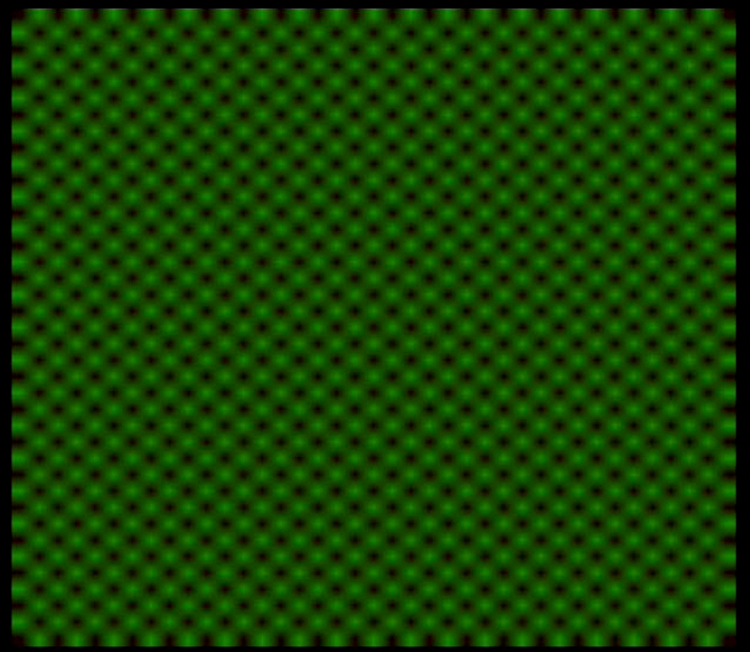

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[tex modifyPixelDataWithBlock:^(void *pixelData,
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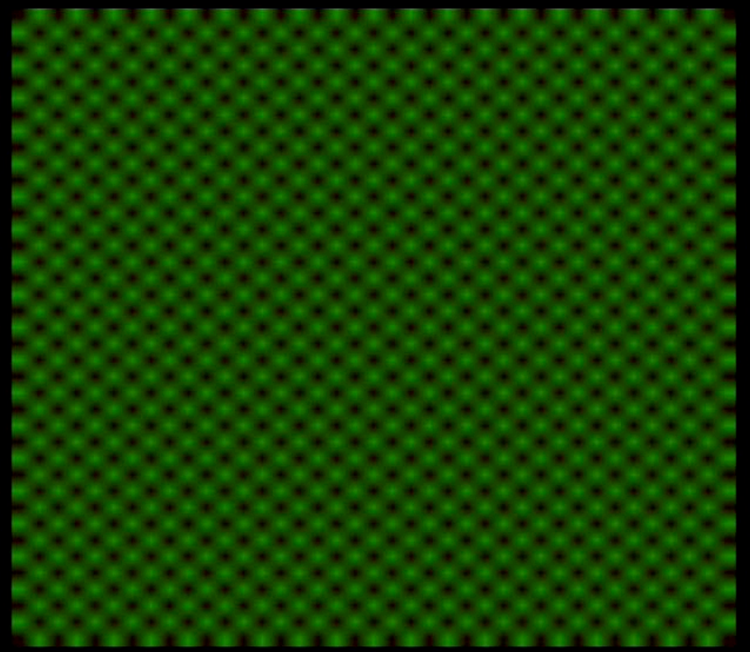

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SKTexture

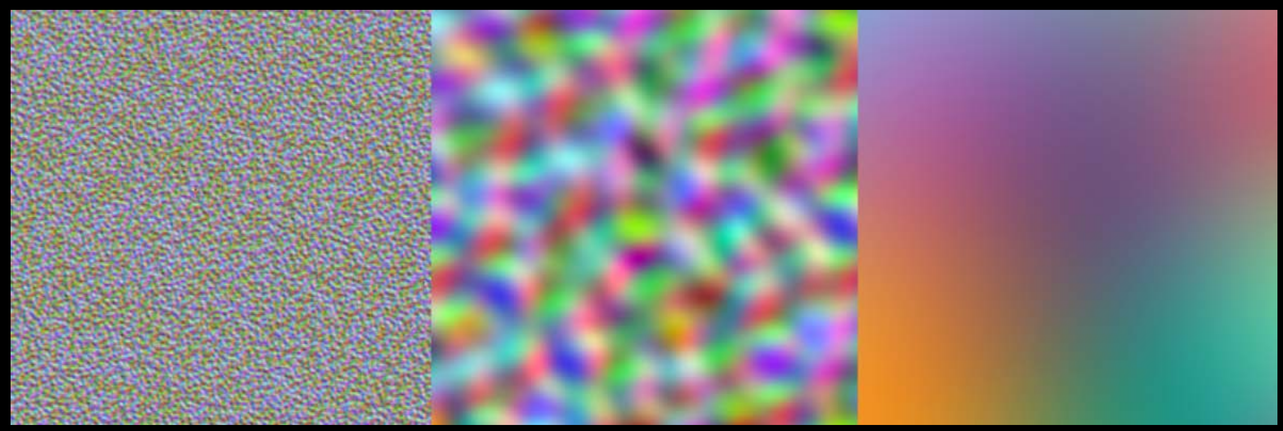
Noise texture

Generates coherent noise, or noise vector on a sphere

Supports grayscale and color output

Controls noise texture smoothness

```
texture = [SKTexture textureNoiseWithSmoothness:0
                                           size:CGSizeMake(s, s)
                                      grayscale:NO];
```



SKShapeNode

Convenient constructors for common shapes

- Rectangle, circle, ellipse, and spline

Simple joints for non-continuous shapes

Set texture and shaders on the shape's stroke and fill

Interacting with physics

- path property

Physics Updates

Create pin joint

```
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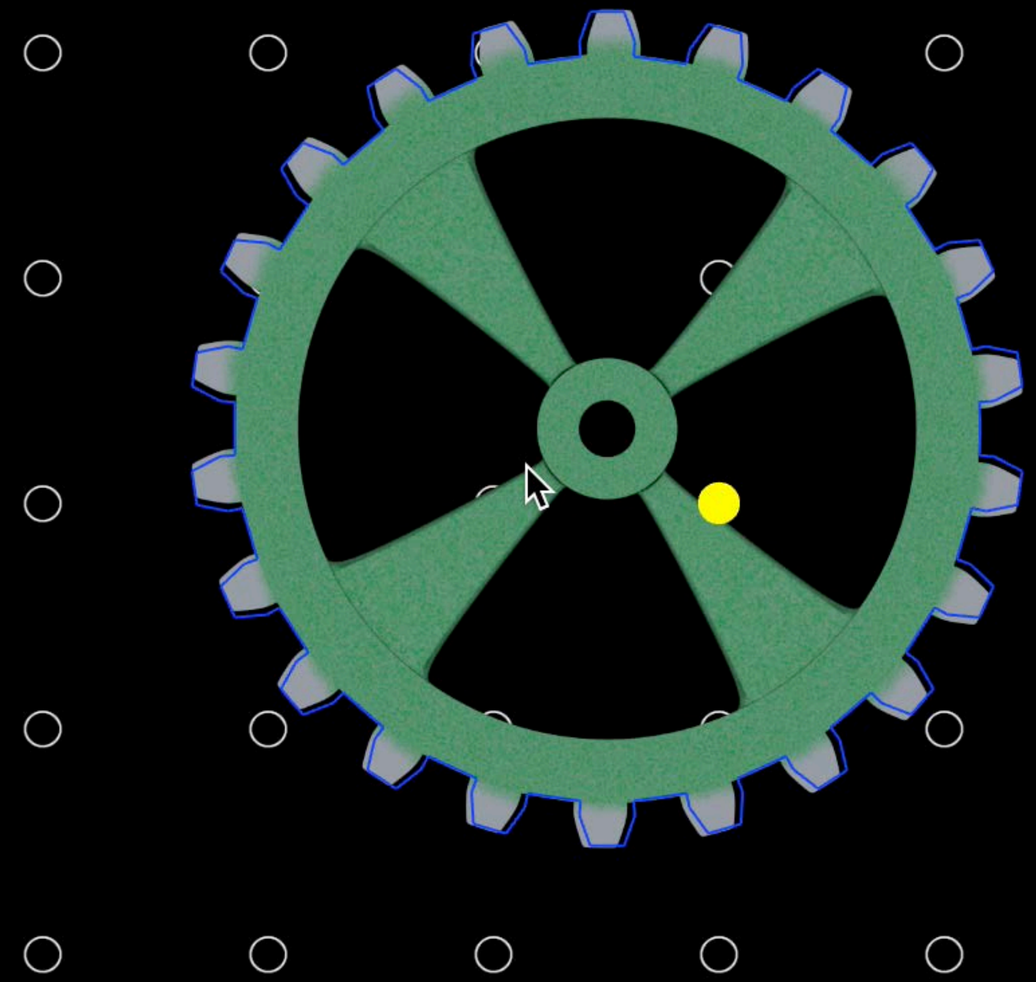

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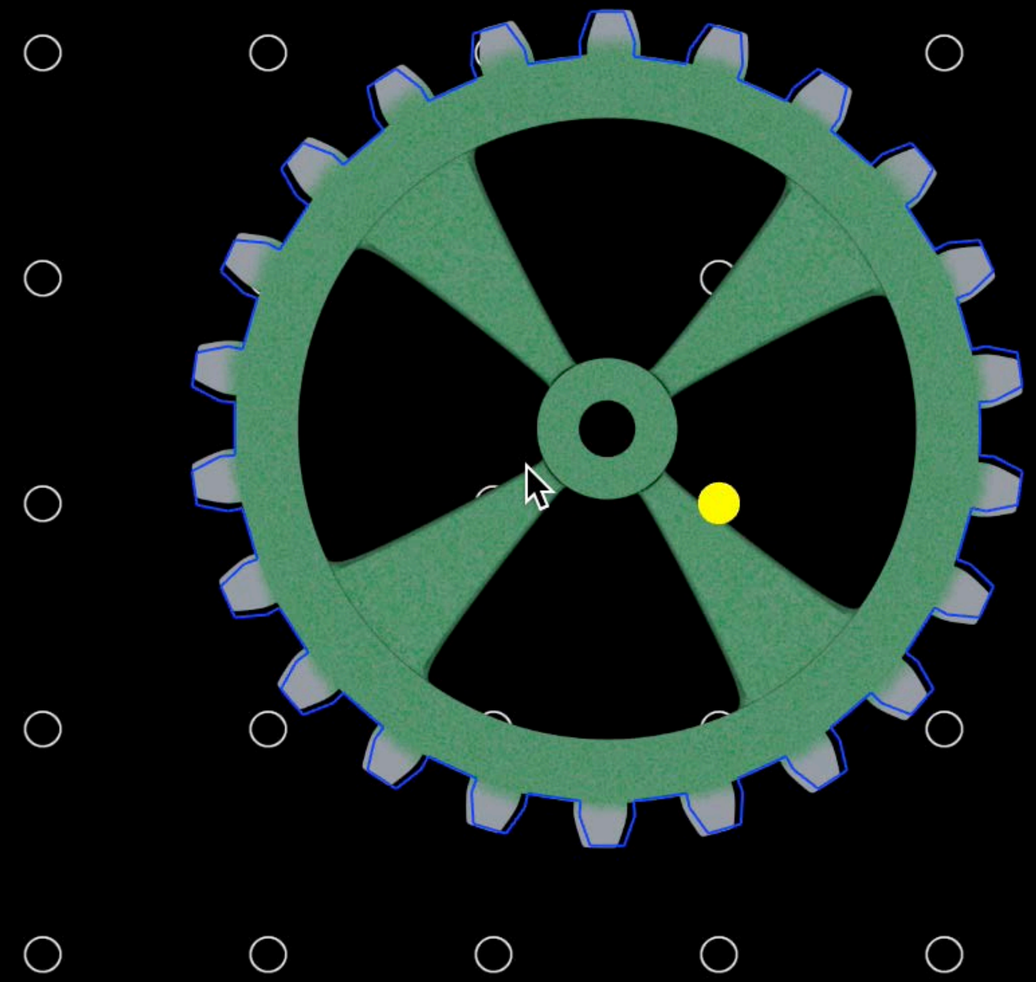

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Create weld joint

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smallGear.physicsBody.pinned = YES;
smallGear.physicsBody.allowsRotation = NO;
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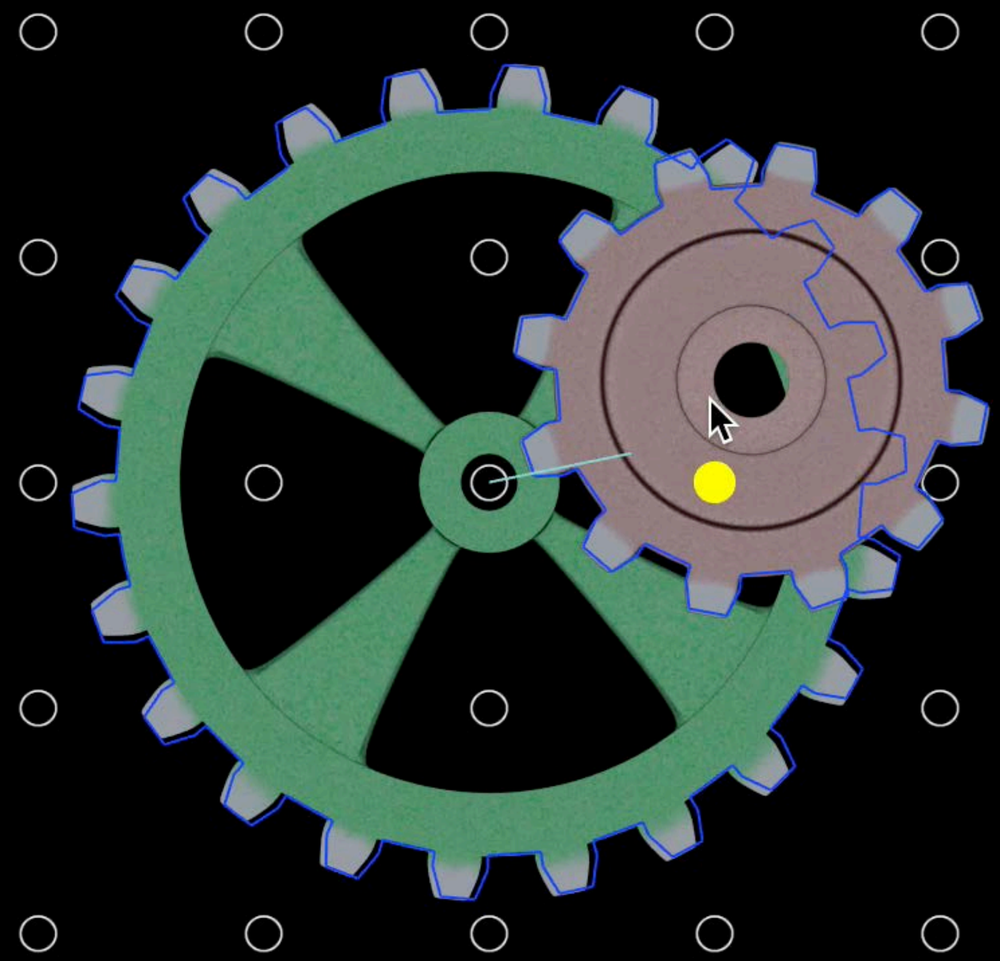

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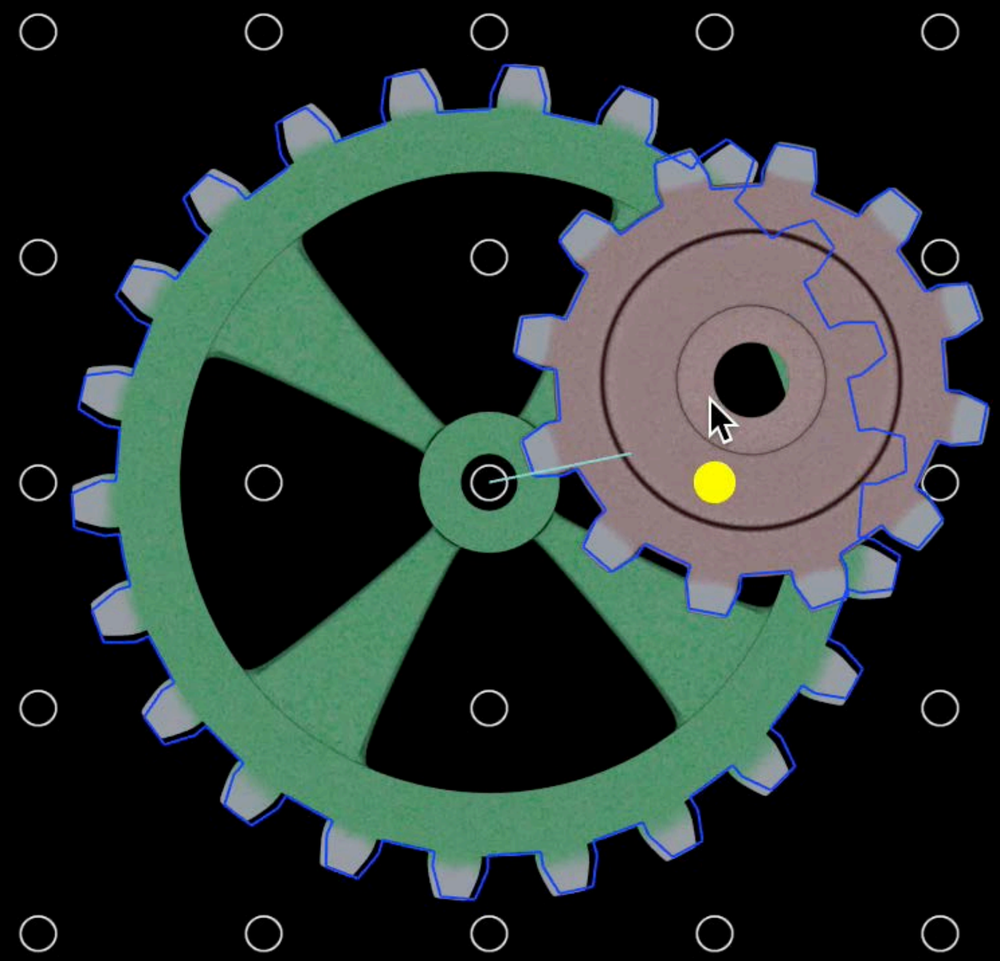

Physics Update

Create compound bodies

```
+ (SKPhysicsBody *)bodyWithBodies:(NSArray *)bodies;
```

Texture Atlas

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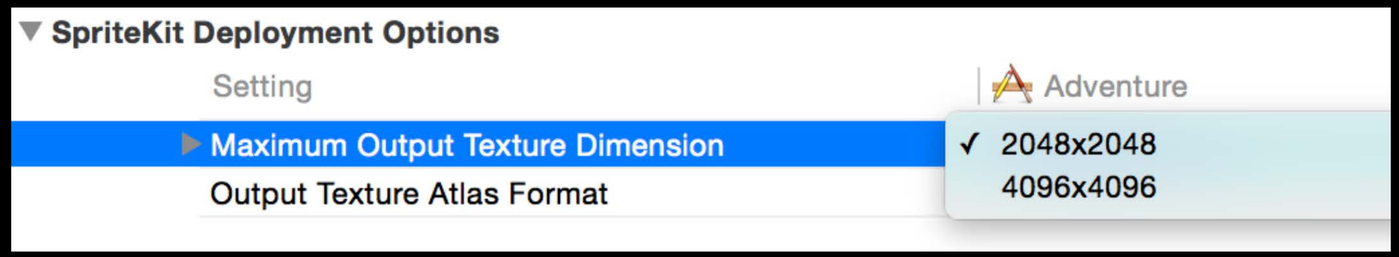

Texture Atlas

Runtime generation

```
SKTextureAtlas *atlas = [SKTextureAtlas atlasWithDictionary:@{
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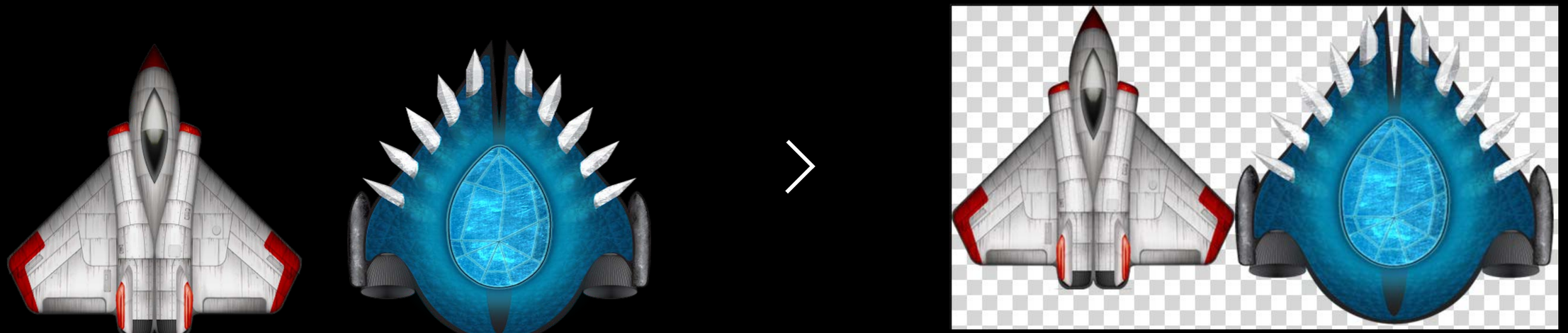
    @“alien.png” : image2
}];
```



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