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Synopsis

Topics include advanced implementation of image space techniques and non-photorealistic rendering in Microsoft's DirectX 9.0

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