



A visual language for advanced programming

Viscuit with new functions for advanced programming

Abstract— As a tool for introducing programming, Viscuit has earned a certain reputation. After learning with Viscuit is complete, a new curriculum is needed. We have therefore extended Viscuit, and it is now possible to proceed continuously into more sophisticated programming. With Viscuit it is possible to make a large-scale program with a solely visual approach. A user can use this as a library program. The same applications can be found on a PC and a tablet. This approach makes it possible for children to make their own computer applications. Everyone will be able to participate actively in the information technology revolution.

■ Expectations for Viscuit

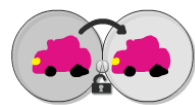
- We conducted introductory programming classes for about 2,000 children (NTT dream kids, Education Square x ICT, public school, NPO).
- There are increasing expectations for a more advanced programming environment that enables children to create their own class material themselves and learn with it.



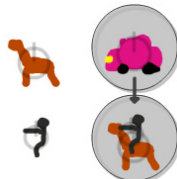
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■ New functions of Viscuit

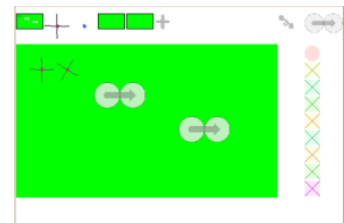
**Inheritance of picture^[1]
for large-scale object-oriented programming.**



Car goes



“Horse with man” is inherited from “car”



Screen Image

Visual programming with a distributed multi-paper

- Conventional systems: general Web technology + Viscuit App
Only Web link relations between independent papers
- New system: a distributed and virtually connected “sheet of paper”.
Conventional Web programming is replaced by Visual programming.

Education platform for children with a virtually connected large virtual “sheet of paper” on the net.

Related works

[1] Yasunori Harada, “Viscuit with Picture Inheritance,” in *Proc. 52nd Programming Symposium*, 2011 (in Japanese).

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