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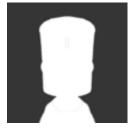
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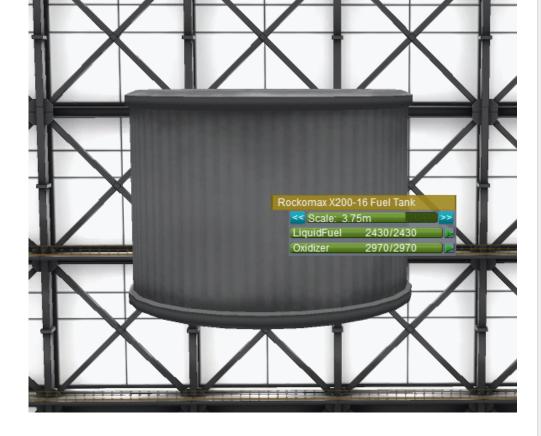
TweakScale is under new administraction

Due to pressures outside the game, and the fact I rarely play KSP these days, I do not have the time to maintain TweakScale.

In my absence, pellinor has accepted the burden and is currently the maintainer of TweakScale.

Please visit his <u>new release thread</u> for updates.

TweakScale lets you change the size of a part. Not just that, but it will figure out how much fuel is in the resized part. And if it's an engine, it will become more powerful by scaling it bigger, or weaker by scaling it smaller.



This plugin was initially made by Gaius Goodspeed, and I heartily recommend you also take a look at <u>his parts</u>.

TweakScale is already used by Gaius' parts above, and ZodiusInfuser's Infernal Robotics model rework, which I also recommend to anyone who likes having fun.

TweakScale uses Swamp-Ig's KSPAPIExtensions.

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HALP! It no worky! / FAQ

Alright, calm down. We will get to the bottom of this. What symptoms are you experiencing?

The scale slider is missing, and/or there's a gaping hole in the right-click menu!

This is usually caused by an outdated

KSPAPIExtensions.dll. If you have any of these mods installed, please update them. Also make sure you have the latest TweakScale installed.

Sometimes when updating, you need to completely remove the old mod first.

There may be other mods that use KSPAPIExtensions.dll than those listed there, so if that doesn't solve your problem, try a search for that file name.

Lastly, this may be caused by <u>Goodspeed</u>

<u>Aerospace Parts</u>. If you have it installed, find and remove its Scale.dll file.

Part X of mod Y isn't rescalable!

Great! That means I either have not updated the mod, or it's not on the list of supported mods, as seen below. I'm very happy to get updated cfgs, or just a note that some parts are not working. I don't use all the mods listed, so it's hard to keep them all updated.

Part Z becomes too heavy when scaled up!

Yeah, I'm a bit lazy, so all parts' mass scale with the cube of the size. That's the equivalent of saying every part is solid, or filled with heavy cream. Some parts are probably not filled, and may consist of but a thin skin over an empty inner. Maybe some day I'll get around to updating that kind of stuff.

Otherwise, if someone else were to do it, I'd be more than happy to include their work!

TweakScale and some other mod are having problems cooperating!

First make sure both mods are up to date.

Occasionally, a mod may change the names of files, so just overwriting with an updated version might not be enough. If necessary, take a backup. Then delete the folder in which the mod is installed, and install the updated

version.

If this does not solve your problem, or you're scared of breaking you game, please post here. As below, please post your output_log.txt.

I'm having a problem and it's not listed here!

Great! That means I can make TweakScale even better! Please post here and describe your problem. Make sure you have the newest version of TweakScale, and please post your output_log.txt. It's going to be too big to place in a single post, so upload it to Dropbox, Pastebin or some other service that lets you upload large text files.

Please add TweakScale to your mod!

If you are a mod author and you want to bundle TweakScale with your mod, please do! A few notes:

- Please place your TweakScale .cfgs in your mod's folder, not in the TweakScale folder. This way users can delete TweakScale and install a new version without breaking your mod.
- If your mod is already on the list of supported mods, please post here or <u>PM me</u>, and I will remove support, giving you full control over the .cfgs.

Anyways, features:

Scaling Control

You as the author of a part or addon get complete control over which parts you want to offer in which sizes. Should that fuel tank only be available in size 2.5m and 3.75m? Make it so! That RCS thruster on the other hand, could be scalable freely between half regular scale and double regular scale.

Mass Control

For heavy, solid parts, mass increases with the cube of the scale - you scale it in three dimensions, after all. For parts that are a thin layer of aluminium plates over a rigid skeleton - like fairings, crew compartments, empty fuel

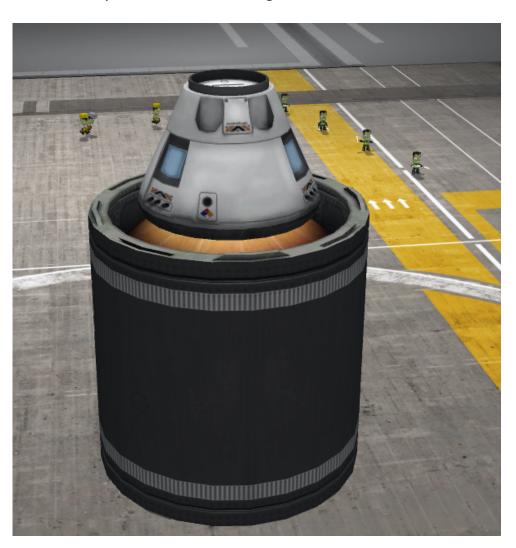
tanks - mass probably scales closer to the square of the scale.

Control Over Every Feature of a Part

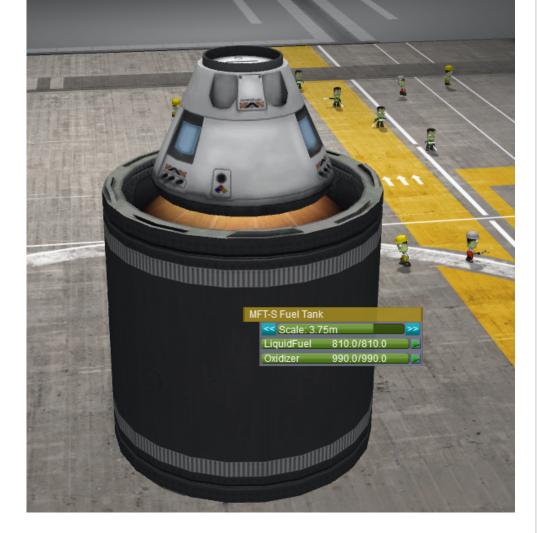
This is not all! Engines can be made more powerful as they increase in size, generators more efficient, and wings more lifty. All by writing a simple config file, and then automatically for all rescalable parts of that type.

How to Use

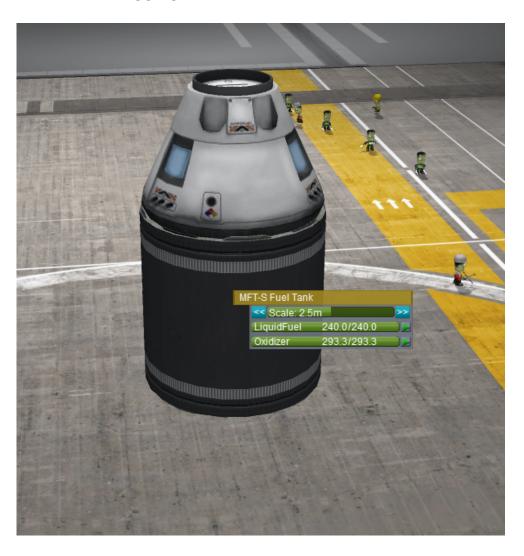
First add a part that's the wrong size:



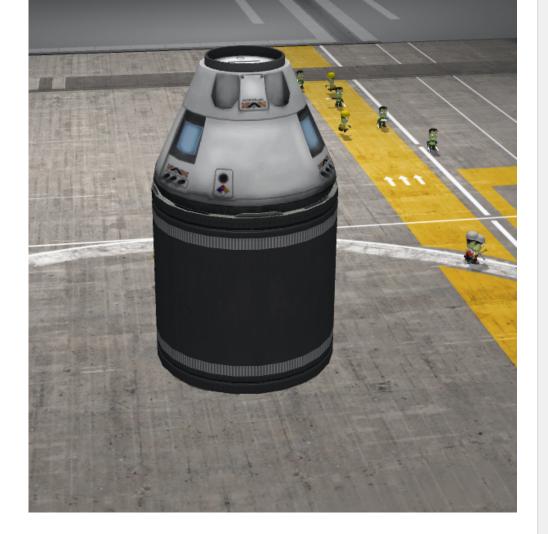
Right click:



See how it says 3.75m? Well, the command capsule is 2.5m, so let's change it. You do this by pressing the << >> buttons or dragging the slider.



See how well it fits?



Example Configurations

For a part that should be available in 62.5cm, 1.25m, 2.5m, 3.75m and 5m configurations, and by default is 1.25m, use the following definition:

```
{
name = TweakScale
defaultScale = 1.25
type = stack
}
```

MODULE

If the part should instead be freely rescalable, use this:

```
{
name = TweakScale
type = free
}
```

And for a part that should be available in 25%, 50%, 100% and 200% scales, use:

```
{
name = TweakScale
type = surface
}
```

MODULE

But I said you had full control of scales, didn't I? If you want your parts to be available only in 2.5m and 3.75m versions, use this definition:

```
{
    name = TweakScale
    type = stack
    scaleFactors = 2.5, 3.75
    scaleNames = 2.5m, 3.75m
}
```

MODULE

If your mod has a collection of parts that will all be available in the same set of sizes, you might want to make your own scale type:

```
{
name = MyMod
freeScale = false
scaleFactors = 0.5, 1.0, 2.0
scaleNames = Small, Medium, Large
defaultScale = 1.0
}
```

SCALETYPE

After defining this once, you can then start using it for your parts:

```
{
name = TweakScale
type = MyMod
}
```

MODULE

As you can see the scale type uses the same names as the module definition, and they can even inherit from other scale types (if you want to change just a small detail):

```
{
    name = spaceplane
    type = stack
    scaleFactors = 1.25, 2.5, 3.75, 5.0
    scaleNames = 1.25m, 2.5m, 3.75m, 5m
}
```

SCALETYPE

This will use all the defined properties of the 'stack' scaletype, but will not be available in 62.5cm size (because some poor kerbal is going to sit inside there).

Adding module support

You can now add support for your own modules! For a simple module that's happy with having its values changed when OnLoad is called, this is how:

```
{
    name = MyPartModule
    flooberRate = 2
}
```

TWEAKSCALEEXPONENTS

When a user rescales a part with a MyPartModule module, TweakScale will automatically update the flooberRate of the part with the square of the scale (so if it's a 2.5m part and it's scaled to 3.75m, the flooberRate will be 2.25 times its usual value [3.75/2.5 = 1.5; 1.5^2 = 2.25]).

New in 1.10 is the ability to change fields of fields - that is, myPartModule.someStruct.value or myPartModule.someList[x]:

```
{
name = ModuleGenerator
outputList
{
rate = 3
}
}
```

TWEAKSCALEEXPONENTS

The above config will scale all members of the list outputList on ModuleGenerator, to the cube of the current scale.

Note that this system works for any depth:

```
{
name = ModuleMyModule
foo
{
bar
{
quxRate = 3
}
}
}
```

The above would scale ModuleMyModule.foo[x].bar.quxRate.

New in 1.19 is tech requirements:

```
{
name = TweakScale
type = stack
techRequired = basicRocketry, start,
generalRocketry, advRocketry, heavyRocketry
}
```

MODULE

Here, each option in the stack SCALETYPE will be unlocked by a corresponding tech. If there are fewer techRequired than scaleNames/scaleFactors, the unmatched scales will be unlocked by default.

It might be that your module would benefit more from using a list of values than an exponent. In that case, you may specify the list in the tweakscale module statement in the .cfg:

```
name = TweakScale

type = stack

defaultScale = 3.75

MODULE

{
name = ModuleEngines

maxThrust = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
}
}
```

Here, a 62.5cm version would have a maxThrust of 1, 1.25m would be 2, and so on until the 5m version has a maxThrust of 5.

New in 1.23: Forced relative scaling!

This is invaluable for persistent values. If they were to use absolute scaling, the default value would be loaded from the prefab part, scaled up, and used without a second thought. With relative scaling, the current value is loaded, the multiplied by the scale factor difference since last we looked. And it's super easy to use:

```
{
name = MyModule
!MyValue = 2
}
```

TWEAKSCALEEXPONENTS

New in 1.30: Cost scaling!

As 0.24.1 introduced the beautiful IPartCostModifier, TweakScale now supports changing the cost of a part:

```
{
name = TweakScale
dryCost = 2
}
```

TWEAKSCALEEXPONENTS

The above configuration will make the cost of a part scale with its surface area. Useful for fuel tanks, solar sails, balloons and rugs.

Thanks to NathanKell, 1.44 added support for not doing scaling when a specific module is added to a part. This is useful when TweakScale can do some updates on its own, but should keep its hands off when another module can do better.

```
{
name = MyModule
socksPerMinute = 2
ignore = SockManager
}
```

TWEAKSCALEEXPONENTS

This code will scale socksPerMinute by the square of the scale, or if there's a SockManager partmodule on the part, leave it all alone and let the SockManager do its thang.

1.48 adds Auto Scaling - a part will automatically choose an appropriate scale, based on the scale of the parent. This feature can be toggled with Ctrl+L, and temporarily disabled by holding Left Shift.

1.48 also adds Chain Scaling - if two 1.25m parts are placed atop one another, and you rescale the parent to 2.5m, the child will be scaled along with it. Chain Scaling can be toggled with Ctrl+K, and temporarily disabled by holding Left Shift.

Lastly, 1.48 Auto Scaling and Chain Scaling both support asymmetric scaling. This means if you choose a 1.25m to 2.5m adapter as your first (root) part, and add a fuel tank in both ends of it, one will be scaled to 1.25m, the other to 2.5m.

In order to wield this amazing power,
TweakScale must be made aware of the sizes
of the attach nodes of a part. This can be
done on a per-part or per-scaletype basis. For
a regular stack-mounted fuel tank, the nodes
may be something like this:

```
node_stack_bottom = 0.0, -0.3125, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1 node_attach = 0.5, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0
```

```
node_stack_top = 0.0, 0.3125, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1
```

node_attach is the surface node. You should probably not auto-scale based on that. For the other two, we get this config:

```
{
MODULE
{
name = TweakScale
defaultScale = 1.25
type = stack
ATTACHNODES
{
base = 1
top = stack:1
bottom = stack:1
}
}
}
@PART[MyFuelTank]
```

For a 1.25m to 2.5m adapter, we instead get this:

```
{
    MODULE
    {
        name = TweakScale
        defaultScale = 2.5
        type = adapter_2_1
        ATTACHNODES
    {
        base = 2
```

```
top = stack:1
bottom = stack:2
}
}
```

```
@PART[MyAdapter]
```

This basically means that node_stack_top for the adapter has a scale of (top/base) = (1/2) of the scale of the part, so 1.25m, while node_stack_bottom has a scale of (bottom/base) = (2/2) = 1 times the scale of the part, so 2.5m. The reason it says stack:1 is to have a system of families. This is the stack family, mostly intended for ...you guessed it - stack-mounted parts. This is just a string, so if you need a 'floopnurger' family, go right ahead. Only nodes with matching families will auto-scale, and one node can belong to more than one family.

Advanced features

If more advanced logic is required,
TweakScale offers an IRescalable interface. It
is defined in Scale_Redist.dll, and its definition
is as follows:

```
{
void OnRescale(ScalingFactor factor);
}
```

```
public interface
IRescalable<T>
```

ScalingFactor has the properties 'absolute' and 'relative'. Most likely, you want to use absolute. relative is the change in scale since last time OnRescale was called, while absolute is the change in scale in relation to defaultScale. absolute and relative have properties linear, quadratic and cubic, which

are shorthands for different scaling factors. If you want something different, you'll have to figure out the math yourself.

IRescalable can be used in conjunction with .cfg exponents. In that case, TweakScale will first call IRescalable's OnRescale, followed by updates from .cfgs. (this may be changed in the future, as I'm not sure it's the best solution)

An example implementation of an IRescalable may be:

```
class MyModuleUpdater :
  TweakScale.IRescalable<MyPartModule>
{
    MyPartModule _module;

    public MyModuleUpdater(MyPartModule module)
    {
    _module = module;
}

    public void
    OnRescale(TweakScale.ScalingFactor factor)
    {
    _module.flooberRate = _module.flooberRate *
    factor.relative.quadratic;
    _module.ReactToFlooberRate(13);
}
```

For an example implementation, check out how Modular Fuel Tanks/Real Fuels support is implemented.

Version History:

v1.50 (2014-12-24 10:40 UTC)

Fixed erroneous placement of attach

- nodes when duplicating parts.
- Updated Scale_Editor.dll. Easier than removing it.

v1.49 (2014-12-18 11:03 UTC)

- Now saving hotkey states correctly.
- 'Free' scaletype actually free.
- Fixed bug in OnStart.
- First attempt at scaling offsets.

1.48 (2014-12-16 22:54 UTC)

- Updated for .90!
- Cleaned up autoscaling and chain scaling.

1.47 (2014-11-17 20:03 UTC)

- Removed <u>RealChute</u> support.
- Fixed a bug where TweakScale would try to set erroneous values for some fields and properties, which notably affected <u>Infernal Robotics</u>.
- Fixed a bug where cloned fuel tanks would have erroneous volumes.

1.46 - 2014-11-16 20:03 UTC)

- Fixed an issue where features were incorrectly scaled upon loading a ship,
- Scaling a part now scales its children if they have the same size.
- Parts now automatically guess which size they should be.

1.44 (2014-10-10 19:20 UTC)

- Now updating UI sliders for float values.
- Better support for KSP Interstellar.
- Added support for <u>TweakableEverything</u>.
- Added support for <u>FireSpitter</u>'s FSFuelSwitch.

1.44 (2014-10-10 19:20 UTC)

- Updated for KSP 0.25
- Added ability to not update certain properties when a specific partmodule is on the part.

Many thanks to NathanKell, who has all the credit for this release!

1.43 (2014-08-24 23:52 UTC)

- Added licence file (sorry, mods!)
- No longer chokes on null particle emitters.

1.41 (2014-08-15 11:43 UTC)

 Fixed scaling of Part values in unnamed TWEAKSCALEEXPONENTS blocks.

1.40 (2014-08-13 12:55 UTC)

 Removed <u>Karbonite</u> cfg, since that project does its own TweakScale config.

1.39 (2014-08-12 23:03 UTC)

Fixed cost calculation for non-full tanks.

1.38 (2014-08-12 20:45 UTC)

- Added scaling of FX.
- Added support for <u>Banana for Scale</u>.
- Updated <u>Karbonite</u> support.
- Fixed a bug where no scalingfactors available due to tech requirements would lead to unintended consequences.

1.37 (2014-08-05 13:35 UTC)

Updated cost calculation.

1.36 (2014-08-04 21:58 UTC)

 Updated <u>Real Fuels</u> and <u>Modular Fuel</u> <u>Tanks</u> support. • Added KSPX support.

1.35 (2014-08-03 16:24 UTC)

- Corrected cost calculation.
- Updated to <u>KSPAPIExtensions</u> 1.7.0

1.34 (2014-08-02 00:49 UTC)

- Fixed a bug where repeated scaling led to inaccurate placing of child parts.
- Added Karbonite support.

1.33 (2014-07-28 20:00 UTC)

Updated for RealFuels 7.1

1.32 (2014-07-25 22:29 UTC)

 Updated with KSPAPIExtensions 1.6.3 for 0.24.2

1.31 (2014-07-25 15:58 UTC)

 Fixed a bug where parts with defaultScale inaccessible due to tech requirements were incorrectly scaled.

1.30 (2014-07-25 11:23 UTC)

- Updated KSPAPIExtensions with 24.1 support.
- Re-enabled Real Fuels support.
- Added support for IPartCostModifier

1.29 (2014-07-24 11:50 UTC)

Fixed <u>Modular Fuel Tanks</u> support.

1.28 (2014-07-24 10:32 UTC))

- Fixed the rest of the bug that was partly fixed in 1.27.
- Added support for Tantares Space Technologies.

1.27 (2014-07-23 21:44 UTC)

Fixed a bug on non-Windows platforms.

1.26 (2014-07-23 16:60 UTC)

- Fixed typo in DefaultScales.cfg. type = free, type = surface and so on should now work.
- Updated support for <u>KW Rocketry</u> and NFT.

1.25 (2014-07-23 12:31 UTC)

- Modular Fuel Tanks yet again supported! (Still waiting for Real Fuels)
- Refactored IRescalable system to be easier for mod authors.
- Fixed a bug where one field could have multiple exponents, and thus be rescaled multiple times.

1.24 (2014-07-21 20:51 UTC)

- Nodes are now correctly scaled when parts are duplicated.
- Per-scaletype exponents are now used correctly.

1.23 (2014-07-21 12:44 UTC)

 Multiple TweakScale .dlls no longer interfer with each other.

1.22 (2014-07-20 22:21 UTC)

- Fixed tanks that refill when you change between ships.
- Fixed tech lookup time, which was way too slow.

1.21 (2014-07-18 18:47 UTC)

- Updated for 0.24!
- More flexibility of configuration. Mod authors can now have feature scale definitions per part, per scaletype or global.

1.20 (2014-06-12 22:15 UTC)

- New algorithm for rescaling attach nodes. Tell me what you think!
- Added <u>Deadly Reentry Continued</u> and

Large Structural/Station Components.

1.19 (2014-06-06 10:56 UTC)

 Added support for tech requirements for non-freeScale parts.

1.18 (2014-06-04 00:58 UTC)

 Factored out Real Fuels and Modular Fuel Tanks support to separate dlls.

1.17 (2014-06-03 22:21 UTC)

- Fixed bug where attachment nodes were incorrectly scaled after reloading.
 This time with more fix!
- Added support for <u>Near Future</u> <u>Technologies</u>.

1.16 (2014-06-03 21:31 UTC)

 Fixed bug where attachment nodes were incorrectly scaled after reloading.

1.15 (2014-06-03 20:50 UTC)

 Finally squished the bug where crafts wouldn't load correctly. This bug is present in 1.13 and 1.14, and affects certain parts from Spaceplane+, MechJeb, and KAX.

1.14 (2014-06-03 19:50 UTC)

 Fixed a bug where nodes with the same name were moved to the same location regardless of correct location. (Only observed with KW fairing bases, but there could be others)

1.13 (2014-06-02 18:25 UTC)

Added support for MechJeb, Kerbal
 Aircraft eXpanion, Spaceplane+, Stack
 eXTensions, Kerbal Attachment
 System, Lack Luster Labs, Firespitter,
 Taverio's Pizza and Aerospace, Better
 RoveMates, and Sum Dum Heavy

Industries Service Module System.

 Fixed a bug where Modular Fuel Tanks were not correctly updated.

1.12 (2014-06-02 11:10 UTC)

- Added support for <u>ÚÞáÃÅ"Þá</u>.
- No longer scaling heatDissipation, which I was informed was a mistake.

1.11 (2014-06-01 20:24 UTC)

- Removed silly requirement of 'name = *' for updating all elements of a list.
- Added .cfg controlled scaling of Part fields.

1.10 (2014-06-01 14:53 UTC)

Added support for nested fields.

1.9 (2014-05-31 00:57 UTC)

- Fixed a bug where rescaleFactor caused erroneous scaling.
- Added (some) support for <u>Kethane</u> parts.

1.8.1 (2014-05-30-22:41 UTC)

Don't use 1.8.1, either. 🔯



1.8

Don't use 1.8

1.7 (2014-05-22 21:09 UTC)

- Removed spurious debug log printing.
- You can now use a list of value instead of an exponent!
- Exponents and value lists can be specified per part, not just per module type. (And per-part values take precedence)
- Fixed erroneous scale for Rockomax 48-7S, and added missing scale for KW Rocketry 2.5m Nose Cone.

1.6 (2014-05-22 14:04 UTC)

- Fixed a problem where parts were scaled back to their default scale after loading, duplicating and changing scenes.
- Fixed defaultScale for Rockomax 48-7S (was 625, should be .625. Who'd guess someone'd notice that, eh?)

1.5.0.1 (2014-05-21 00:36 UTC)

- Fixed a bug in 1.5 where scale was not correctly preserved.
- Updated KSPAPIExtensions.dll please delete the version in GameData/.
- Added support for <u>KSO</u>.

1.5 (2014-05-20 22:23 UTC)

- Changed from hardcoded updaters to a system using .cfgs.
- Made registration of custom IRescalables possible.

1.4 (2014-05-20 17:53 UTC)

- Fixes compatibility with GoodspeedTweakScale (but not old versions of TweakScale, but that should be a much, much smaller problem anyway).
- Added scaling support for <u>KW</u>
 <u>Rocketry</u>, <u>NovaPunch</u> and <u>KSP</u>
 <u>Interstellar</u>.

1.3 (2014-05-19 22:49 UTC)

- Fixed a bug where parts would get rescaled to stupid sizes after loading.
- Breaks compatibility with old version of the plugin (pre-1.0) and GoodspeedTweakScale.

1.2 (2014-05-18 22:00 UTC)

- Fixed default scale for freeScale parts.
- Fixed node sizes, which could get

- absolutely redonkulous. Probably not perfect now either.
- B9 Aerospace, <u>Talisar's Cargo</u>
 <u>Transportation Solutions</u>, and NASA

 Module Manager configs.
- Now does scaling at onload, removing the problem where the rockets gets embedded in the ground and forcibly eject at launch.
- Fixed a silly bug in surface scale type.

1.1 (2014-05-17 23:30 UTC):

- Added scaling support for <u>B9</u>
 <u>Aerospace</u> and <u>Talisar's Cargo</u>

 <u>Transportation Solutions</u>.
- Will now correctly load (some) save games using an older version of the plugin.

1.0 (2014-05-16 18:00 UTC):

Initial Release!

Supported Mods

- B9 Aerospace
- Cargo Transportation Solutions
- KW Rocketry
- NovaPunch 2
- KSP Interstellar
- Kerbin Shuttle Orbiter System
- Kethane
- KOSMOS
- MechJeb
- Kerbal Aircraft eXpansion
- Spaceplane+
- Stack eXTensions
- Kerbal Attachment System
- <u>Lack Luster Labs</u>
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- <u>Tantares Space Technologies</u>
- Karbonite
- Modular Fuel Tanks
- Real Fuels
- KSPX
- RLA Stockalike
- Smart Parts

Known Issues/TODO:

- More mods should be supported. I'm open to suggestions.
- Enlarged engines burn too hot.
- Exhaust trails are the wrong size. I think.
- Support for more modules (addons)?
- Suboptimal interactions with <u>Procedural Parts</u> and <u>Procedural Fairings</u> - parts may intersect after loading.
- I have no idea how <u>FAR</u> feels about the updating of drag and lift.
- Weird TWR in MechJeb. (ref post 22)
- Camera can end up in weird positions. (ref post 22)
- Add ModuleEngineConfig support.
- Do what <u>Taverius says</u> about engines and possibly other stuff.

Edited March 8, 2015 by goldenpeach

Limbo!

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Developer of <u>TweakScale - Rescale Everything!</u> and <u>StripSymmetry</u>.





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Wow, this is amazing. I was just thinking I needed to try to expand my own custom tweaks to include more scaling using the older plugin.



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...It all made a LOT more sense when it was still in my head.

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One thing. What's the license for this project? Are modders allowed to include this dll with our mods?

This is pure awesome. I'm glad it works with the robotic parts that ZodiusInfuser has done. Can't wait to put this into place. Great work!



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sirkut said:

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Sorry, forgot about that. It's <u>CC BY-NC-SA</u>. I want to make it WTFPL (my favorite licence), but I've asked Gaius for permission to do that and haven't yet received an answer. (I'm not holding that against him, just clarifying)



sirkut said:

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Absolutely. That's basically what it's made for.

Edited May 16, 2014 by Biotronic



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camlost

Junior Rocket Scientist





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This is revolutionary.



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Advanced Jet Engine

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This is a great way for mod creators to reduce part spam!! Thanks Biotronic for taking this over and expanding on it.







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NathanKell

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value = power (applied to
scaleFactor) to use
        mass = 2.0
        ModuleDeployableSolarPanel
                chargeRate = 2.0
                panelMass = 2.0
                //note that
flowRate is set automatically each
tick by the module and doesn't need
to be changed.
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To be frank, that's not code I've written, so I had to check the source. This line does the scaling:

```
savedScale =
part.transform.GetChild(0).localScale =
Vector3.Scale(basePart.transform.GetChi
ld(0).localScale, rescaleVector);
```

So it changes only the transform of the part, no special handling is done for multiple models.

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          {
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          modfolder/parts/somepart/partColourMap1
                name =
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                name =
          modfolder/parts/somepart/partColourMap2
          }
}
```

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quantumpion

Rocketry Enthusiast



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Does this mod work with stock parts, or does it require

modded parts with the added code?

Edited May 16, 2014 by quantumpion



Taki117

Flight Director 00000

Posted May 16, 2014

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This is amazing! I certainly hope more mods get on the band wagon.



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CaptainKipard

Resident Kurmudgeon





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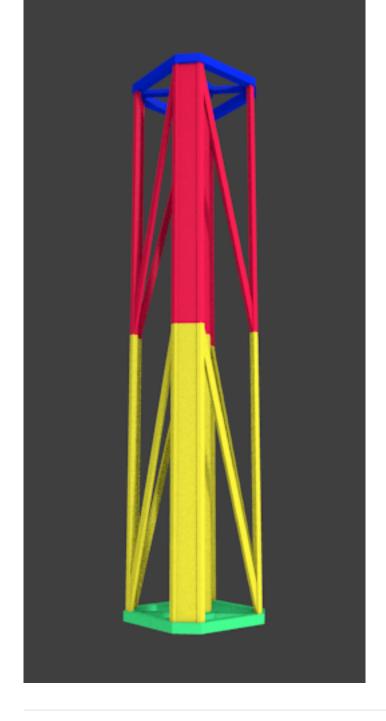
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phoenix_ca

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Posted May 16, 2014 (edited)

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ialdabaoth said:

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Technically that's already implemented. All it should take is a change to the part config.



quantumpion said:

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That's explained in the OP (which you should've read). Short answer: Yes.

Edited May 16, 2014 by phoenix_ca



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ialdabaoth said:

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I won't, but if you want them, just take a look at defaultscales.cfg in the tweakscale folder - you can easily add it yourself.



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The download includes a module manager config for stock parts, so many stock parts are resizable after installing this mod. (Note to self: Add module manager to download)



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Thanks.



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Should be. I've added code that's supposed to handle that, but I will not guarantee it's bug free.



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You should be safe doing it OnLoad.

Speaking of--the "jumping" on launch is symptomatic of scale being set OnStart rather than OnLoad. Stretchy moved to setting scale OnLoad and it doesn't have that issue anymore.



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Sorry, I wasn't clear, I meant more-than-one-axis, i.e. non-uniform scaling.



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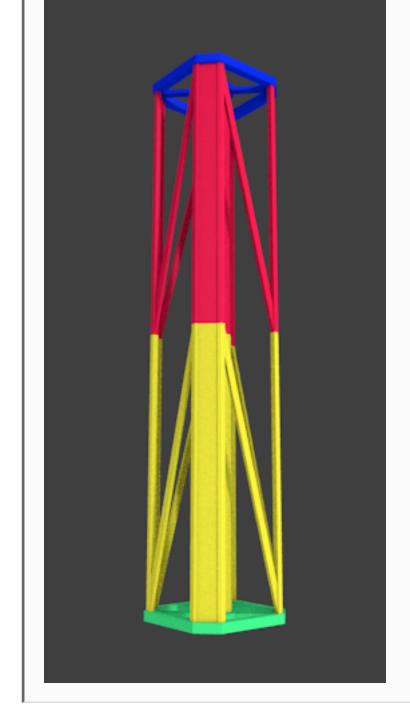
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If that was a real feature, I'd definitely put the effort into redesigning my parts for it. I would say what's lacking from that concept are mid-caps to place between repeated sections, and the ability to apply a rotation from one section and cap to the next (since I use a 90 degree offset). Obviously the collision/attachment nodes could just be scaled along the length.

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This is fantastic. Done a quick experiment with this and LLL. Looks promising, very promising.

Seems to handle multiple MODEL()s just fine.





Mods: LLL, SXT-Stock extension, KSC++

Addon development thread

Xobotun

Bottle Rocketeer





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Posted May 17, 2014

That's a really great mod! However there are some issues:

- 1. Visual bug: Engine fairings still remain of original size (e.g. I shrinked mainSail engine into 0.625m teritrarySail, but it still draws an unbelievably big fairing around my satellite xD)
- 2. An incompatibility: mechJeb shows weird TWR and times. You should definitely add a characteristics preview beneath sizeChanger bar.
- 3. Annoying bug: Having too many shrinked parts on your vessel (especially from NASA to .625) makes your flight camera behave oddly - it thinks that rocket is much longer and moves some meters downwards. As a result, I see only engine trails:)

Besides that, it is a really big mod!



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Resident Kurmudgeon 00000

Posted May 17, 2014 (edited)





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The question is whether KSP lets you instance part geometry. If not then it would be a case that the model would need to contain all the geometry needed to cover all planned size variations. I PM'ed Biotronic with a suggestion for this but have no idea if it's viable, as it relies

on the "showing" and "hiding" of specific model nodes from code. This approach may also have a performance impact.



Quote

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It could also give modders more control over the final visual appearance of the scaled parts, which I like 3

Edited May 17, 2014 by ZodiusInfuser



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It must. Welding the same mu files together works just fine, so why not?



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