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1. Overview

The **RCC_Damage** class is a component responsible for managing and applying damage to a vehicle's mesh, wheels, lights, and detachable parts in Realistic Car Controller (RCC). It allows for **mesh deformation** on collisions, **detaching wheels**, **breaking lights**, and repairing all damage through an internal data structure that tracks both the original and deformed vertex positions.

Key Features:

- Deforms vehicle meshes at collision points based on impact force.
- Supports wheel damage, potentially detaching a wheel above a certain threshold.
- Damages lights and detachable parts (such as bumpers, doors) with configurable radii and multipliers.
- Provides a **repairNow** mechanism to gradually restore all vertices to their original positions.
- Uses **octrees** for efficient nearest-vertex lookups in mesh deformation.

2. Class Declaration

```
[System.Serializable]
public class RCC_Damage {
    // Implementation details...
}
```

This class is `[System.Serializable]`, making it editable in a custom inspector or included as a serializable field within another component (like `RCC_CarControllerV4`).

3. Fields and Properties

The `RCC_Damage` class contains numerous serialized fields for configuring its behavior. This section breaks them down by category.

3.1 Main References and Initialization Flags

- **`public RCC_CarControllerV4 carController`**
The main RCC car controller that owns this damage component.
- **`public bool automaticInstallation = true;`**
If true, automatically gathers mesh filters, wheels, lights, and detachable parts from the vehicle children during initialization.
- **`private bool initialized = false;`**
Internal flag to check if the class has completed its initialization routine.
- **`public bool repairNow = false;`**
Triggers the repair process. When true, the system gradually restores meshes/wheels to their original, undamaged state.
- **`public bool repaired = true;`**
Indicates whether the vehicle is fully repaired (no differences between original and current vertex positions).
- **`private bool deformingNow = false;`**
True while the mesh is currently being deformed (following a collision).
- **`private bool deformed = true;`**
Indicates whether the vehicle has finished deforming its meshes to the damaged

positions.

3.2 Mesh Deformation

- **public bool meshDeformation = true;**
Master toggle for whether mesh deformation is active.
- **public enum DeformationMode { Accurate, Fast }**
 - **Accurate:** Smoothly transitions vertices over time to target positions.
 - **Fast:** Immediately snaps vertices to their final positions.
- **public DeformationMode deformationMode = DeformationMode.Fast;**
Determines how quickly or smoothly deformation occurs.
- **[Range(1, 100)] public int damageResolution = 100;**
Influences how finely damage is applied, though the direct usage can depend on the internal approach.
- **public LayerMask damageFilter = -1;**
Only collisions with these layers will register damage.
- **public float damageRadius = .75f;**
Radius around the collision point in which vertices are affected.
- **public float damageMultiplier = 1f;**
Global multiplier for mesh damage severity.
- **public float maximumDamage = .5f;**
Maximum distance (from the original position) that any vertex can be displaced. **0f** disables the limit.
- **private readonly float minimumCollisionImpulse = .5f;**
Collisions with impulses below this threshold do not apply any deformation.
- **public bool recalculateNormals = true;**
Recalculate mesh normals after deformation (can be CPU-intensive).
- **public bool recalculateBounds = true;**
Recalculate mesh bounds after deformation.

3.3 Wheel Deformation

- **public bool wheelDamage = true;**
Toggle for wheel damage (e.g., bending or shifting wheel position).
- **public float wheelDamageRadius = 1f;**
Radius around the collision point within which wheels can be affected.
- **public float wheelDamageMultiplier = 1f;**
Global multiplier for wheel damage severity.
- **public bool wheelDetachment = true;**
If true, wheels can be fully detached when damage surpasses a set threshold.

3.4 Light Deformation

- **public bool lightDamage = true;**
Toggle for light damage (e.g., headlights, brake lights).
- **public float lightDamageRadius = .5f;**
Collision radius for determining if lights are hit.
- **public float lightDamageMultiplier = 1f;**
Damage multiplier for lights.

3.5 Part Deformation

- **public bool partDamage = true;**
Toggle for detachable or breakable parts (bumper, doors, etc.).
- **public float partDamageRadius = 1f;**
Collision radius for part damage.
- **public float partDamageMultiplier = 1f;**
Damage multiplier for these parts.

3.6 Internal Mesh/Vertex Tracking

- **public MeshFilter[] meshFilters;**
The collection of meshes subject to deformation.
- **public RCC_DetachablePart[] detachableParts;**
Breakable parts that can detach on collision.

- **public RCC_Light[] lights;**
Vehicle lights (headlights, tail lights) that can be disabled or broken.
- **public RCC_WheelCollider[] wheels;**
The vehicle's wheel colliders for handling possible damage or detachment.
- **public struct OriginalMeshVerts { public Vector3[] meshVerts; }**
Stores original mesh vertex positions.
- **public OriginalMeshVerts[] originalMeshData, damagedMeshData;**
 - **originalMeshData:** Snapshot of the mesh in its pristine state.
 - **damagedMeshData:** Snapshot of the mesh with any applied deformations.
- **public struct OriginalWheelPos { public Vector3 wheelPosition; public Quaternion wheelRotation; }**
Maintains each wheel's original local position/rotation.
- **public OriginalWheelPos[] originalWheelData, damagedWheelData;**
 - **originalWheelData:** The wheels' default positions.
 - **damagedWheelData:** The wheels' new positions after collisions.

3.7 Octree References

- **public RCC_Octree[] octrees;**
An array of octrees for each mesh filter. This speeds up the process of finding the nearest vertex to a collision point.
 - **public Vector3 NearestVertexWithOctree(...)**
Helper function that queries the octree to find the nearest vertex in local space.
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4. Key Methods

4.1 Initialization (**Initialize**)

```
public void Initialize(RCC_CarControllerV4 _carController) {
    carController = _carController;

    if (automaticInstallation) {
        if (meshDeformation)
            CollectProperMeshFilters();
    }
}
```

```

        if (lightDamage)
            GetLights(carController.GetComponentsInChildren<RCC_Light>());
        if (partDamage)
            GetParts(carController.GetComponentsInChildren<RCC_DetachablePart>());
        if (wheelDamage)
            GetWheels(carController.GetComponentsInChildren<RCC_WheelCollider>());
    }

    initialized = true;
}

```

- **Purpose:** Configures references to the main `carController` and optionally collects all relevant meshes, wheels, lights, and parts if `automaticInstallation` is enabled.
- **Usage:** Typically called once from `RCC_CarControllerV4` upon vehicle initialization.

4.2 Data Collection

`CollectProperMeshFilters()`

- Gathers all **readable** (Read/Write enabled) `MeshFilter` components, excluding wheel meshes.
- Stores them in `meshFilters` to apply damage.

`GetMeshes(MeshFilter[] allMeshFilters)`

- Assigns `meshFilters` directly if you prefer a manual approach.

`GetLights(RCC_Light[] allLights)`

- Assigns the `lights` array for breakable light objects.

`GetParts(RCC_DetachablePart[] allParts)`

- Assigns the `detachableParts` array for dynamic breakable components.

`GetWheels(RCC_WheelCollider[] allWheels)`

- Assigns the `wheels` array for wheel damage/detachment.

4.3 Repair Logic (`UpdateRepair`)

```

public void UpdateRepair() {
    if (!initialized || repaired || !repairNow)

```

```

    return;

    // Iterates all meshFilters, wheels, lights, etc. and gradually moves them
    // from their damaged positions to their original positions.
    // ...
}

```

- **Purpose:** Called every frame (or fixed frame) to gradually restore deformed meshes or wheels to their original states (`originalMeshData` / `originalWheelData`).
 - **Mechanics:**
 - If `deformationMode == DeformationMode.Accurate`, uses a smooth lerp approach over time.
 - If `deformationMode == DeformationMode.Fast`, snaps vertices directly to their original positions.
 - If all vertices are within a small threshold (`minimumVertDistanceForDamagedMesh`), sets `repaired = true`.
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4.4 Damage Logic (`UpdateDamage`, `DamageMesh`, etc.)

`UpdateDamage()`

- Smoothly applies final adjustments to vertex positions if `deformingNow` is still true.
- Similar approach to `UpdateRepair` but moves vertices to their *damaged* positions.

`DamageMesh(float impulse)`

- Modifies the mesh's vertex array based on collision `impulse` and `contactPoint`.
- Employs an octree search to find the nearest vertices around the collision radius, applying offsets.

`DamageWheel(float impulse)`

- Shifts wheels' local positions if they are within `wheelDamageRadius` of the collision point.
- May trigger detachment if damage surpasses `maximumDamage` and `wheelDetachment` is enabled.

`DamageLight(float impulse)`

- Invokes `lights[i].OnCollision(damage)` if a light is within `lightDamageRadius`.
- Typically breaks or disables the light.

`DamagePart(float impulse)`

- Invokes `detachableParts[i].OnCollision(damage)` if a detachable part is within `partDamageRadius`.
 - Can break or detach the specified part.
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4.5 Collision Handling (`OnCollision`, `OnCollisionWithRay`)

```
public void OnCollision(Collision collision) {
    if (!carController || !initialized || !carController.useDamage)
        return;

    // Check layer mask, calculate impulse,
    // gather contact points, apply damage to meshes, wheels, parts, lights...
}
```

- `OnCollision(Collision collision)`
 - Called externally (from `RCC_CarControllerV4` or similar) when Unity's `OnCollisionEnter` triggers.
 - Collects contact points, sums their positions, and calls the appropriate `Damage*()` methods if impulse > `minimumCollisionImpulse`.
 - `OnCollisionWithRay(RaycastHit hit, float impulse)`
 - Variant that handles damage from a raycast hit rather than a full physics `Collision`.
 - Useful for special effects like bullet hits or environment hazards.
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4.6 Wheel Detachment (`DetachWheel`)

```
public void DetachWheel(RCC_WheelCollider wheelCollider) {
    // Deactivates the RCC_WheelCollider, spawns a clone with
    // its own Rigidbody & MeshCollider, allowing it to break away physically.
}
```

- **Purpose:** Completely removes the wheel from the active vehicle, spawns a **loose wheel** object with its own `Rigidbody`.
 - **Scenario:** If the local offset of the wheel surpasses `maximumDamage`, the wheel can be forcibly detached for a more dramatic collision effect.
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4.7 Octree Usage (`NearestVertexWithOctree`)


```
public Vector3 NearestVertexWithOctree(int meshIndex, Vector3 contactPoint, MeshFilter meshFilter) {
    // Queries the stored RCC_Octree to find the nearest vertex in local space,
    // improving performance over naive vertex-by-vertex searches.
}
```

- **Purpose:** Rapidly locates the closest vertex in the `meshFilter` near a collision point, enabling targeted mesh deformation.
- **Note:** An `RCC_Octree` is automatically constructed the first time a mesh is damaged if one does not already exist.

5. Usage Notes and Best Practices

1. Read/Write Enabled Meshes

- Ensure your vehicle's meshes have **Read/Write** enabled in the Unity Import Settings. Without this, the script cannot modify vertices.
- The script logs an error for any non-readable meshes.

2. Performance Considerations

- **Accurate** deformation (smooth lerp) can be CPU-heavy, especially with large meshes and real-time normal/bounds recalculations.
- If performance is an issue, consider using **Fast** mode or reducing the frequency of normal recalculation.

3. Limiting Damage

- `maximumDamage` ensures no vertex strays too far from its original position. Setting `0f` disables this constraint, allowing unbounded deformations.

4. Wheel Detachment

- The wheel object is cloned and turned into a loose `Rigidbody`. Make sure your physics layers and constraints can handle the new free-floating wheel.
- If detachment is not desired, either disable `wheelDetachment` or add logic to clamp the wheel displacement.

5. Repair System

- Setting `repairNow = true` will gradually restore the vehicle over time. This is handy for repair stations or game resets.
- Once fully repaired, `repaired = true`, and the script stops the process.

6. Collision Source

- Typically called by `RCC_CarControllerV4` or similar scripts. Ensure `OnCollision` or `OnCollisionWithRay` is invoked with correct impulses.

- `impulse` scaling is crucial for realistic damage. Tweak the `damageMultiplier` or `impulse` calculation to balance realism.

7. Octree

- The `RCC_Octree` structure is best for high-polygon meshes to optimize nearest-vertex lookups.
 - If a mesh is extremely simple, the overhead of building an octree might not provide a big advantage, but is generally beneficial for complex vehicles.
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6. Summary

The `RCC_Damage` class handles **advanced vehicle deformation**, **wheel detachment**, and **light/part damage** within the Realistic Car Controller framework. By tracking original vs. damaged vertex arrays, it smoothly transitions between states on collision or when repairing. Configurable parameters such as `meshDeformation`, `wheelDamage`, and `lightDamage` allow for granular control over which subsystems can be deformed or detached.

Octree optimization helps accelerate the process of finding collision-affected vertices, especially for complex meshes. Integrating this with proper collision logic, correct impulses, and well-configured mesh import settings ensures a robust, visually impressive damage system for RCC vehicles.