

Project Check-in

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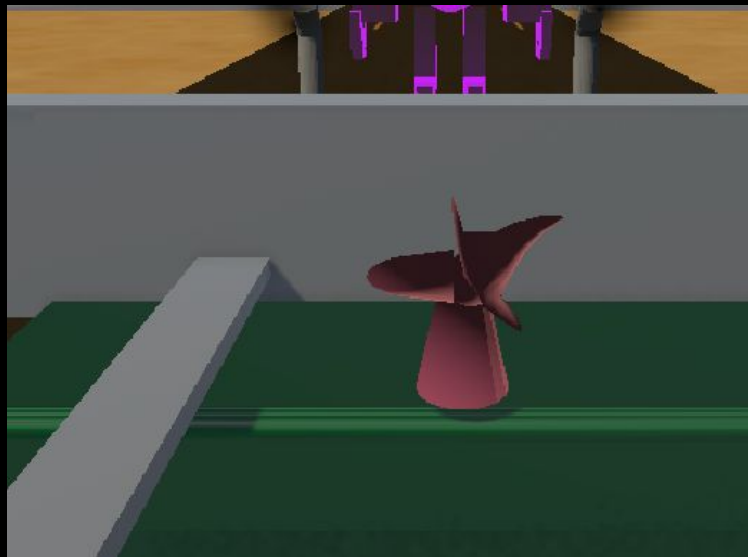
The Game:

My Game is a segment of a larger game that I am working on, the game is a roguelike game placed in a post apocalyptic world that has been completely separated from the protection of higher entities or gods, and their absence has allowed a flow of magic that they used to fend off to take over the world that has mutated and warped the world.

The segment I made is a boss battle against one of the bosses on the highway layer. I wanted to use this as an opportunity to try and create textures to create an illusion of movement in my environment without actually needing to move anything.

The Mechanics:

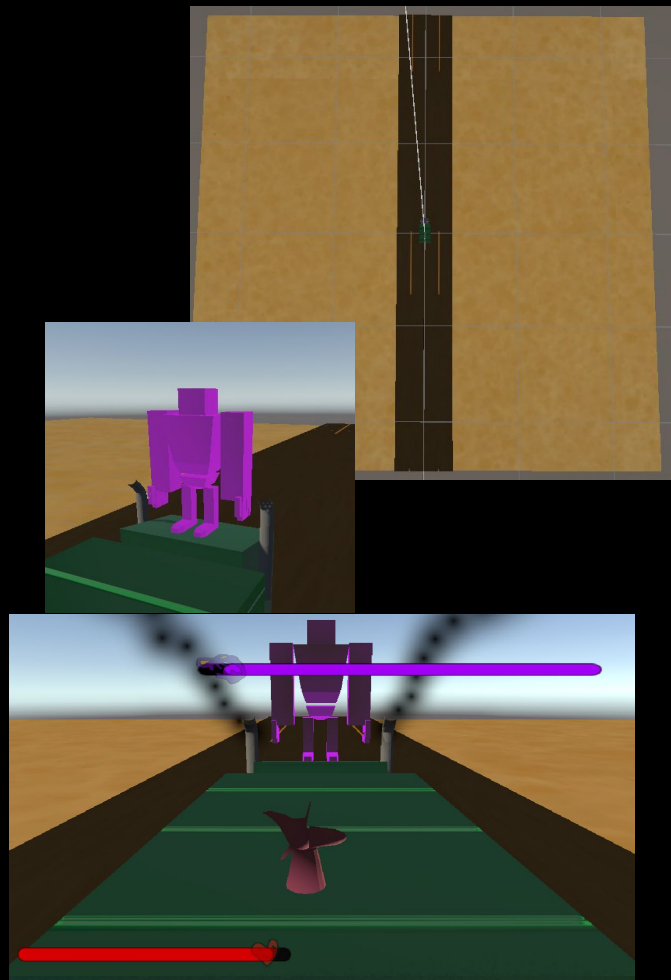
- Basic Movement: WASD
- Jumping: Space Bar
- Dash: Shift
- Shoot: Left click
 - Enemy Behaviors:
 - Molotov Cocktail drops:
Spawns at player co-ordinates +15 on the Y value every 8 seconds
 - Cross Fire Explosions:
spawns when molotov collider hits the truck.
Dealing damage in a cross
 - Shockwave:
Fires a wave that travels in a straight line before disappearing after 5 seconds.



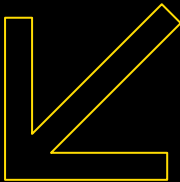
Successes

My textures for the desert and road turned out great! Took a long time to get working properly but the finished product turned out a lot better than i expected. I also was able to get my boss to work with relative success, it's a little more rustic and less cohesive than I would hope but for my first real attempt at programing a boss solo I'm pretty happy with how its turned out so far.

Despite some turbulence in my personal life I was still able to create this solo while still recovering and on pain killers so all things considered, I'm pretty happy with how it turned out lol.



Struggles



I alluded to a little in the previous slide, I had a bit of a medical issue (it's not life threatening i'm ok don't worry) which has unfortunately left me unable to work for a few weeks and still now fatigued and slightly delirious. it was definitely not the easiest to work but I was determined to get this accomplished.

Biggest issues I faced were with getting my duo texture shaders to work and time constraints. Theres not alot of demo's for what I was exactly looking for so i had to shmorgishborg a bunch of different resources together to get it working.

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Press Enter to try again!

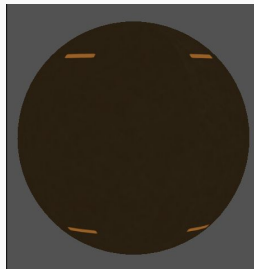


What are the shaders, How do they work?



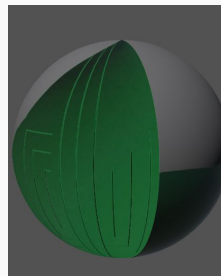
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My most complex texture: This one is one I created for a different project that i re-tooled for this one. It's a 2 texture material that takes the first one at a base with texturing and panning, then the second one is an opaque material that is filtered through a noise filter which can be scaled through the noise scale, intensity and speed along with the base textures same tiling and panning.



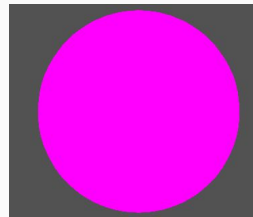
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Same as the first one, but without the noise texturing and instead feeds the whole thing through an ambient lighting filter after the 2 layers have been rendered on top of eachother.



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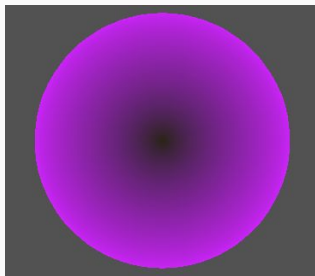
A material I created in subsurface painter for the truck. It has baked on layers for color, metallic, height, and normal map. It's reconstructed in a basic material.



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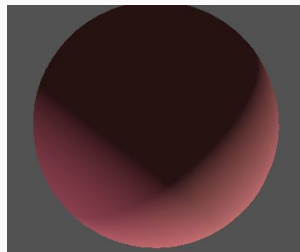
A Color correction filter that I couldn't get fully working, its viewable at the victory screen where it tints the screen white.

Extra shaders not shown in the video.



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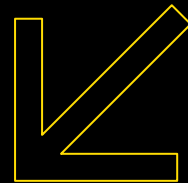
A Simple Rimlighting effect like the ones we learned in class, it is supposed to go on the enemy boss one it drops below 50\$ hp in the final version.



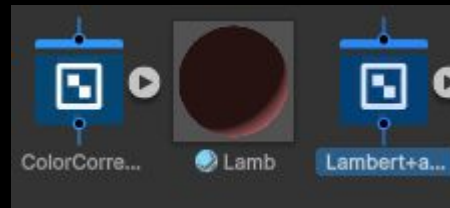
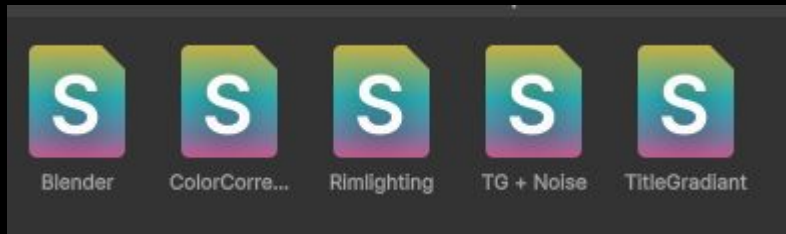
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A Lambert + Ambient + Specular render that I was going to overlay on the player when they dash.

How its done



I practically did everything in shaders scripts over shader graphs, personally i just prefer them over graphs i've never been great at node based creation but for some of the ones in class I recycled some of the shaders with modifications when necessary. But overall most of the more complex things that i created were made with regular shader scripts.



What I want for finished product



- Custom and more detailed skybox to help sell illusion of movement and believability in the scene
- Finished character models and full textures
- VFX and SFX for the boss and player
- Changed shaders for existing ones to better capture environment
- Shifting background elements to sell movement
- More complex boss attacks, patterns and mechanics
- More refined and snappy player mechanics

Demo

