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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stargate_(device)





World Features

- Procedural generated world
- Connected by portals
- Specific worlds (different gravities, surfaces...)
- Deformable terrain





Graphics Features

- Tesselation
- Clouds
- Vegetation
- Water
- Skybox
- Phong shading
- Normal mapping

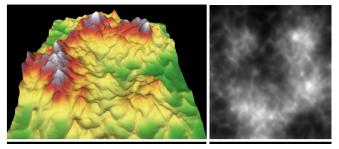




Techniques

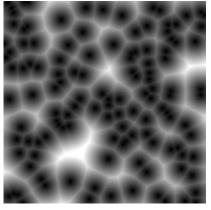
- Terrain¹
 - Use heightmaps
 - Generated either with perlin ot simplex noise
- Clouds²
 - Make use of worley noise to generate them
- Vegetation
 - Billboards for grass
 - If enough time also generation of trees

- Water
 - Noise functions for heightmap and textures



http://voxels.blogspot.de/2014/01/procedural-terrain-heightmap-generation.html

Worley noise



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Worley_noise





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