Vulkan- Forest Rendering Engine

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What we want to do

- Build a real-time forest rendering engine
- Implement with Vulkan
- Realistic Wind System
- Work on different platforms.
 Windows, Linux, Mobile....
- Good GPU performance.

Main features

- Wind zone system on Trees using vertex shader animation(Gem3)
- Multiple Level of Detail
- Chunks and Frustum Culling
- Density Multiplication(Fake trees)
- Smooth Transition between level morphing
- Shadow mapping

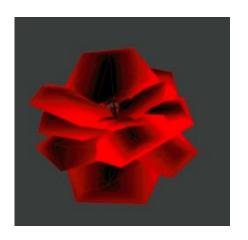


What we have done

- Better Camera Control
- Implement the FBX importer
- Implement rendering pipeline and shaders for trees (trunk and leaves, billboard)
- Vertex Coloring for vertex animation
- Add vertex animation
- Fading Effect
- Basic LOD(Still Debugging)

Vertex Animation

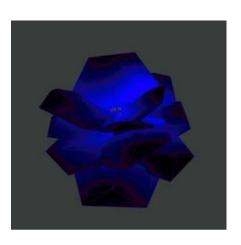
R (Leaf edge stiffness)



G (Per-leaf phase)



B (Overall stiffness)



GPU Gem3 Chapter 16. Vegetation Procedural Animation and Shading in Crysis https://mtnphil.wordpress.com/2011/10/18/wind-animations-for-vegetation/

Vertex Animation

Live Demo

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Next step

Milestone 2

- Use instancing buffer to render a large amount of trees
- Render trees with LOD technique(Without Culling)
- Add terrain to the scene

Next step

Milestone 3

- Realize Frustum Culling and LOD Culling using Compute Shader
- Add more LOD levels
- Density Multiplication



Next step

Final Presentation

- Variability of the trees
- Bug Fixing
- Code structure modifying
- Shadow map(Perhaps)
- Performance Analysis