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#### 1 Abstract

This work discusses the relation between the past lack of procedural content generation in the game industry with the recent uptake of procedural content generation in emerging tools for game developers and artists and the use of procedural content generation in the game industry. How is procedural content generation as part of games and as a developing tool changing so that it is gaining relevance in the games industry and related sectors? New tools and a more data-driven approach to procedural content generation in recent years has lead to a less noticeable but steady increase in usage across a number of disciplines and workfields and a shift in toolsets in the game industry. The paper observes and analyzes the trends and tries to explain the newfound interest through analogy, literature review, market and workflow analysis. We want to highlight what these new tools and approaches provide and what previous tools were missing and the conclusion why procedural content generation gains popularity again based on these changes.

#### 2 Introduction

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### 3 Problem/Research Question

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#### 4 Literature Review

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## 5 Methodology and Results

#### 5.1 Categories of Procedural Generation

We are using Procedural Content Generation (PCG) categories based on the book "Procedural Generation in Game Design" [1, p. 3] where the following four categories are described.

Integral The use of PCG is part of the game design from the start. This games rely heavily on a working PCG and even core gameplay can be affected. Games such as Rogue (A.I. Design, 1980) or a more modern game like Dwarf Fortress (Dwarf Fortress, 2006) are using PCG extensively and would not work without it. They need it to be the type of game they are. Changes to the project planning have vast implications on the codebase. These games are build around central algorithms and project changes will result in redrafting the algorithms.

Drafting Content From a game design perspective this games do not rely on PCG from the start. Game designers rely on PCG to generate initial drafts of game content such as the map or items. These drafts can be looked through by humans and are then handpicked.

Some games use this method to generate a world which is then polished by humans. An example of generating and polishing is *Skyrim* (Bethesda Game Studios, 2011) and a more recent and sophisticated example is *Far Cry 5* (Ubisoft, 2018) where Carrier Étienne explains how the world was modified by humans but regenerated daily by his team[2].

Modal Some games are build with little or even without the use for PCG and it gets added later on during development. Even after release PCG can be added in the form of an "infinity mode" or as procedural maps in Rust (Facepunch Studios Ltd, 2013). While this type can add a lot or replay value to a game it is mostly used just for that and does not add innovative content to the game.

Segmented A game build with segmented content including closed off areas where PCG is used. The development can continue with or without these areas if the desired standard is not met by the algorithm. The term "areas" doesn't need to be restricted to levels. It can include parts of the game such as procedural music, graphical effects or randomized elements. The game developers have at all times the possibility to revert to hand-generated content.

#### 6 Conclusion and Future Work

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#### 7 EXAMPLE TEXTS

from here on down are only examples

#### 8 Abstract

We can Cite [3], [4], [5], [6], [7], [3] etc. If we want to have terms and shortcuts we can introduce them once: Long Glossary Entry and Open Source Software (OSS). If we refer to Long Glossary Entry and OSS later it will only use the short version.

## 9 Various examples

#### 9.1 crossreference

If we want to reference previous sections like (Abstract) we can do that with a label and a reference. It is possible to automatically reference Sections section 1, Items subsubsection 9.4.1 (which is not working yet?) or Figures Figure 1 aswell.

#### 9.2 Examples of Images

Images are possible aswell:



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and even multiple images are possible





Figure 2: multiple images as an example Figure 3: if needed to reference separate it's possible like this

# 9.3 Script code

A simple codeblock is possible take a look at this:

<script>

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let aVar = "this is a JavaScript variable";
console.log(aVar);
</script>
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#### 9.4 Tables etc.

#### 9.4.1 itemlist

Lists can be made as following:

- $\bullet\,$  List an item once
- or twice
- just add more if needed
- sublists are possible aswell:
  - List an item once
  - or twice
  - just add more if needed

#### 9.4.2 more item examples

- there are item lists
- like this one
- 1. enumerations
- 2. as seen here

Ant and descriptions

Elephant like these two

#### **9.4.3** Tables

If you are looking for tables, here it is:

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| Dota 2        | 31 min   | Н     | ++ | Z | <40\$  | Kosmetisch |
| PoE           | $\infty$ | Н     | ++ | Z | <\$440 | Shoppunkte |
| The Witcher 3 | 48.5h    | H & C |    | Z | \$24   | AddOn      |

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#### 9.5 math

$$\begin{aligned} &\forall x \in X, \quad \exists y \leq \epsilon \\ &\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \Gamma, \pi, \Pi, \phi, \varphi, \mu, \Phi \\ &\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \\ &n^{22} \\ &\frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} = \binom{n}{k} \\ &p = \frac{h}{2\pi i} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \Psi \end{aligned}$$

#### 10 Multicolumns

All human things are subject to decay. And when fate summons, Monarchs must obey.

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#### 11.1 subsections

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#### 11.1.1 and even more subs

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### 12 References and acronyms

#### Glossary

Long Glossary Entry Here is the description of a long entry 3

#### Acronyms

OSS Open Source Software. 3

PCG Procedural Content Generation. 2, 3

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