Chromecast in Unity

Gaming from your phone to your TV

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And why are you still here?

- Chromecast Plugin for Unity
- Create a simple game in Unity
 - ► UI
 - ► Game logic
- Add Chromecast feature

About Unity

- Game engine
- 2D and 3D
 - ► More suited for 3D
- Leading in mobile
- Multiplatform
 - Windows Phone
 - Tizen
 - Samsung Smart TV



About Chromecast

- Streaming device from Google
- ▶ 2nd generation
 - ▶ New: Chromecast Audio
- Your "smartphone" becomes the "remote"
 - "smartphone":
 - Android
 - ▶ iOS
 - Mac
 - Windows
 - Chromebook



"Remote"

- Only if it's **just** streaming
 - YouTube
 - Twitch
 - ► ALDI Life Musik
- Not if it's more
 - Presentations
 - Gaming

Fucking Games On Chromecast, How Do They Work?

- Rendered on smartphone
- Encoded on smartphone
- Send through Wi-Fi
- Played on Chromecast
- What you see is a video stream
 - WYSIAVS

Not suitable games

- Games where latency is important
 - ► E-Sports
 - Online multiplayer
- Demanding games
 - ► AAA games with great graphics

Suitable games

- Casual games
 - Party
 - Rhythm (simple)
 - ▶ **Not** Guitar Hero
 - Just Dance
- Games without timing
 - Puzzle
 - Quiz

Live Demo

Any questions?