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Advanced Hex Map Editor

A Foundry VTT module that provides an embedded JavaScript and Handlebars application to visually edit elevations, terrain types, and features on a hexagonal grid map. It includes GM editing tools and a player view with fog of war and line of sight.

Features

• Visual Hex Map Editing: Directly paint terrain, adjust elevation, and place features on a hex grid.

• GM Tools:

- o Create, save, load, and manage multiple maps.
- o Import/Export maps from/to JSON files.
- Resize grid dimensions.
- o Fine-tune brush size and paint modes (elevation, terrain, features).
- Set map scale (hex size in distance units, traversal time per hex).
- Editor Line of Sight simulation tool.

• Player View:

- o Displays the map based on GM's active selection.
- Fog of War: Hexes are initially hidden, then revealed as "discovered" or "currently visible".
- Party Marker: GMs can place and move a party marker.
- Line of Sight: Visibility is calculated from the party marker's position, considering elevation, terrain type, and features.

• Hexploration Support:

- Tracks distance and time traveled for the current "hexploration day".
- GM action to start a new hexploration day (resets counters).
- Automatic chat log entries for party movement.
- Random encounter checks on entering new hexes or discovering hexes (GM prompted to add features).
- **2D and 3D View Modes:** Toggle between a flat 2D representation and a pseudo-3D projection that visualizes elevation.
- **Customizable Terrain:** Extensive list of terrain types, each with configurable properties (movement cost, visibility impact, encounter chances, elevation-based coloring).

Installation

- 2. Download the module ZIP file from the releases page and extract it into your Data/modules/ folder.
- 3. Enable the module in your game world.

Usage

• Accessing the Editor:

- By default, you can use the keybinding M (configurable in Foundry's keybinding settings) to open/close the editor.
- Or create a macro running this code: 'game.modules.get('advanced-hex-map-editor').api.toggleHexMap();'

• GM Workflow:

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- 1. Open the editor.
- 2. **Create New Map:** Use the "Create New Map" button. You'll be prompted for a name and initial map scale settings.

3. Edit Map:

- Select App Mode: Hex Editor.
- Use the controls in the left panel to:
 - Choose Paint Mode (Elevation, Terrain, Feature).
 - Adjust Brush Size.
 - If painting Elevation, select Increase/Decrease and click hexes.
 - If painting Terrain, select a Terrain Type and click hexes.
 - If painting Features, select a Feature Type. For Landmarks or Secrets, clicking a hex will open a dialog to set its name, icon, and icon color.
- 4. Save Map: Use "Save Current Map" or "Save Map As...".
- 5. Manage Maps: Use the dropdown to select and "Open Selected Map" or "Delete Selected Map".
- 6. **Set Active for Players:** When a map is opened or saved by the GM, it typically becomes the active map for players.

Player Workflow:

- 1. Open the editor (if GMs have made it available/instructed players to).
- 2. The view will automatically load the map currently set as active by the GM.
- 3. Players see the map with Fog of War based on their party's exploration.

Hexploration:

- When the GM is in App Mode: Player View, clicking a hex will move the party marker to that hex.
- Travel time and distance are calculated and logged.
- o Game time can be advanced automatically by the GM.
- The "New Hexploration Day" button (GM only) resets daily travel counters.

For Developers (App Structure)

The core application (app/ directory) is a standalone HTML/JS/CSS application that communicates with Foundry VTT via window.postMessage.

- app/app.js: Main application logic, message handling with foundry-bridge.js.
- app/state.js: Centralized state management for the app.
- app/constants.js: Defines constants like terrain types, modes, default values.
- app/map-logic.js: Handles grid creation, hex manipulation, line of sight calculations, player movement logic.
- app/map-management.js: Manages map creation, saving, loading, import/export operations.
- app/hexploration-logic.js: Handles hexploration-specific features like time/distance tracking and encounter checks.
- app/ui.js: Handles Handlebars templating, rendering, and event listener attachment.
- app/hex-utils.js: Utility functions for hexagonal grid math.
- app/templates/: Contains Handlebars templates.
- foundry-bridge.js: Runs in the Foundry VTT context, manages the iframe, handles communication with the app, and interacts with Foundry settings and APIs.

Contributing

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Bug reports and feature requests can be submitted via the issue tracker. Pull requests are welcome.

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