Advanced Civ

Mod for BtS 3.19

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User Manual

AdvCiv is a modpack for advanced players, building on karadoc's "K-Mod: Far Beyond the Sword." AdvCiv does not add content, and, so far, makes few balance changes apart from changes to the Al. Multiplayer mode hasn't been tested much. For questions, comments and current activities, please visit the development thread on CivFanatics.

Installation

To install AdvCiv, copy the unzipped AdvCiv folder into Beyond the Sword\Mods under Program Files. When the mod is loaded for the first time, it creates a folder My Games\Beyond the Sword\AdvCiv for the BUG settings. You'll have to remove this folder manually to fully uninstall AdvCiv.

The above assumes a BtS installation from optical disc on Windows 8 or earlier, though I understand that it works the same way with the GOG.com edition and on Windows 10. Steam users may have to revert to the Game Spy version in order to run any mods, and the Mods folder should be in Steamapps\Common\Sid Meier's Civilization IV Beyond the Sword\Beyond the Sword. There is no way to play this mod on macOS except through a Windows emulator (this guide might help with that, but I haven't tried it).

To start the mod through a Windows shortcut, create a shortcut to Civ4BeyondSword.exe, open the shortcut's file properties, and add a space and mod=\AdvCiv to the Target field.

Contents

To start playing, it should suffice to read through the list of included mod components below. The other chapters describe the major changes in more detail. Most of the AI and UI changes are low-key though, and only covered by the (extensive) changelog after the last chapter. I've assigned a numeric id to each batch of changes; when an id is mentioned, there's always a link to further details and rationales in the changelog.

- <u>UWAI</u>: Utility-Based War AI. Rewrite of the AI parts dealing with decisions on war and peace. The new AI is better at anticipating the course of a war. Conditions that rule out war categorically in BtS (e.g. attitude or being occupied with another war) are factored into an overall utility value and can be outweighed by factors that favor war. UWAI can be disabled through the "Aggressive AI" game option.
- <u>DDiplo</u>: Dynamic Diplomacy. Makes some relations bonuses harder to get, particularly "mutual struggle," "open borders" and "supplied resources." All AI memory decays, including "You declared war on us." Two new modifiers: "We oppose your ruthless expansionism" and "You agreed to come to our aid in wartime". +4 relations is required for "pleased" attitude and -1 for "cautious," but this is evened out by changes to the "first impression" modifier.
- BBarb: Better Barbarians. Barbarian activity increases gradually until 67% of a
 continent is settled; fewer Barbarians on poor-yield tiles; creation rate adjusted to game
 speed; fogbusting nerfed (units can appear on all fogged tiles); land units can spawn
 aboard Galleys; Great Wall reworked; goodies from Tribal Villages adjusted to game
 progress; Scout and Explorer buffed.
- Immortal Culture: Culture of dead civs stays in the game and can cause anger and revolts. Revolts can occur in any cities, not just near a border. Shortened occupation countdown in conquered cities, but the countdown decreases only probabilistically based on the strength of the occupying force.
- <u>K-Mod</u> v1.46 by karadoc: substantial AI improvements (incl. <u>BBAI</u>); usability improvements (incl. <u>BUG</u>, which in turn includes <u>Civ4lerts</u>, <u>reminder</u>, <u>Sevopedia</u> and several optional advisor screens); bugfixes (incl. the <u>unofficial patches</u>); performance tweaks; minor balance changes (several from <u>PIG</u>, <u>Lead From Behind</u>); practically no flavor changes other than <u>Actual Quotes</u>. The main author of BBAI is jdog5000. For BUG credits, see the BUG help file (Alt+Ctrl+F1 in game).
- <u>Kek-Mod</u> v0.25a, a K-Mod <u>fork</u> by DarkLunaPhantom: partly included (mostly <u>bugfixes</u>).
- Show Hidden Attitude Mod by DaveMcW
- <u>Various changes</u> in the spirit of K-Mod, especially to rules and AI behaviors that are easy to exploit in BtS; e.g. can't steal Workers.
- <u>SPaH</u>: Start Points as Handicap. Game option that gives an Advanced Start to the Al civs but not to the human civs. Start points can also be assigned unequally to the Al civs; the mod then places the civs with the most points the farthest away from the human civs initially.
- R&F: Rise and Fall. Game option that divides the game into chapters; you take control of a different civ in each chapter. A score is awarded after each chapter based on how the standing of your civ has changed.
- PerfectMongoose map script (v3.2; main authors: Cephalo and LunarMongoose)

- Mixed Continents map script based on jam3's Islands and Continents (v1.1).
- Blue Marble "light": Altered terrain textures that are easier on the eyes; based on Kai Fiebach's Blue Marble, but closer to the original textures. (screenshots)

Utility-Based War Al

UWAI is enabled by default, but players who prefer the K-Mod AI, can use the "Aggressive AI (Legacy)" option on the Custom Game screen to disable UWAI; that option also enables the Aggressive AI mode. There aren't separate options for UWAI and Aggressive AI because UWAI doesn't have an aggressive or non-aggressive mode (see also change 019), and the K-Mod AI is notoriously belligerent with and without Aggressive AI. (K-Mod without Aggressive AI can still be configured in GlobalDefines_advc.xml.)

The major differences between UWAI and BtS/K-Mod:

UWAI BtS/K-Mod

Military analysis: UWAI predicts how ongoing and hypothetical wars might develop in the medium-term, i.e. over the next 25 to 50 turns. The projection is based on power ratings for various military branches, namely the army (land and air units available for offensives), home guard (only available for defense), fleet (sea units), logistics (cargo ships) and nukes. Simulates military build-up (based on estimated per-turn production), clashes of army stacks, naval landings and attempted conquests of specific cities. The outcomes include cities lost and conquered by the various war parties. invested production and lost military power. These predictions aren't intended to be accurate: they only need to be plausible enough to result in plausible AI behavior.

The BtS military analysis simply compares present power ratings. Each civ has a single power rating, i.e. land and sea units aren't distinguished. K-Mod adds a projection of military build-up.

Power: Power ratings are based on per-unit military power values that are, essentially, computed as combat strength raised to the power of 1.66. E.g. Swordsman has about 20 power and Cuirassier 75; this value also accounts for the faster movement and other useful abilities of Cuirassiers.

equals its combat strength; e.g. two swordsmen count as much as one Cuirassier. That is, BtS underestimates the power of technologically advanced units.

The power value of a unit normally

Caveat: Many other AI decisions and the power graph on the Info screen are still based on BtS power ratings.

The **evaluation** of the expected military outcomes is broken down into 26 aspects, each dealing with one specific reason for war (e.g. gaining more cities or loathing for a war opponent) or against (e.g. diplomatic ill will or invested production). The result of the evaluation is a utility value indicating how worthwhile the war (plan) in question is.

The AI considers attitude, military power, geographical proximity and victory strategies. These factors are combined in an arcane manner by a function called startWarVal.

Peace is evaluated separately by the endWarVal function, which is based on war successes, finances and the tactical situation, i.e. very different from start—WarVal.

K-Mod has expanded startWarVal, but it's still inconsistent with endWarVal, leading to war-peace oscillation, and too ad hoc for this important part of the AI.

War plans are fully **re-evaluated** each turn while in preparation, and canceled if they no longer appear worthwhile. The target of a war plan can change during preparations.

War plans in preparation are only canceled in rare circumstances. The target can't change.

The only necessary condition for beginning (and continuing) war preparations is a **positive** war utility. Attitude, power and proximity are all covered by the war utility computation and no longer work as hard requirements. That said, attitude has a particularly strong impact on war utility, so that a relatively peaceful leader like Saladin doesn't go to war against a civ that he is pleased with unless there are unusually strong reasons for the war. Once preparations concluded and war are imminent, it's too late for a change in attitude to stop the war.

Thresholds for attitude, power ratio and shared borders serve as necessary conditions for war; in particular, many Al leaders never start war preparations against civs they're pleased with. (K-Mod ignores this restriction in some cases during the endgame.)

If war utility is positive, the AI begins war preparations with a per-turn probability based on personality and the utility value. As a result, the AI can be **quick to declare war** in response to another declaration of war or some rapid shift in power (e.g. after upgrading to Riflemen). The per-turn probability is based only on personality and attitude.

The AI **makes peace** if and only if war utility is negative or outweighed by reparations.

Apart from an endWarVal check, there are some special conditions for peace, such as having fought to a long draw or being alone in what had started as a dogpile war.

After a declaration of war, the AI **refuses to talk** for just one turn. After that, the AI can be contacted unless the price for peace would be more than the other side could pay.

Exception: If war was declared at the request of a third party or through a defensive pact or a vote, the attacked AI civ refuses to talk to its war enemies for the same duration as in BtS.

The refuse-to-talk duration is based on Al personality and war success. Possible reparations don't play a role.

The AI can start a war while already in another war. It's possible, in principle, to hire an AI civ for war even if that AI civ is already preparing or fighting a war, but the price is usually prohibitive.

The AI doesn't consider war preparations when it's already in a war; K-Mod relaxes this restriction in the endgame. In both BtS and K-Mod, the AI can't be hired for war while already conducting or planning war.

The AI refuses requests for starting a war regardless of war utility if either its attitude toward the proposed target is too high, or its attitude toward the sponsor is too low. (Such plans are too sensitive to even discuss with anyone who isn't a trusted partner.)

Same: "We couldn't betray close friends" or "We don't like you enough."

Otherwise, the necessary payment is computed based on war utility. If the result exceeds a threshold, the AI refuses to declare war, stating "We are afraid of their military might" if the power ratio is highly unfavorable, and "We have enough on our hands right now" otherwise. Thus, "enough on our hands" doesn't imply that the AI is already preparing another war.

The AI also refuses categorically if the power ratio is too unfavorable or when already preparing or fighting a war.

When an AI leader becomes willing to discuss a sponsored war, the player is notified through an alert message (change 210a) and the Glance tab of the Foreign Advisor screen shows a fist icon (152).

In BtS, if the trade screen says "enough on our hands," then the AI is definitely preparing a war. In K-Mod, other reasons for not wanting to start a war can block the enough-on-hands tell.

While the utility of a war plan against a human player is positive but small, and the AI hasn't begun war preparations yet, there's an increased chance of demands for **tribute** or a gift.

"enough on our hand" response. (AdvCiv disables this.)

Tribute demands are made randomly against any disliked and militarily weaker human civ. Whether the Al is currently

For the player's convenience, the BUG

mod shows a fist icon on the scoreboard

next to any AI civ that will give the

UWAI continues to use almost all of the AI **personality** values from BtS. Many work differently but, in most cases, to a similar effect.

Each AI leader has some 20 personality values affecting war and peace, set in Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml.

ready to start a war doesn't play a role.

For example, in UWAI, a high MaxWarNearby-PowerRatio leads to an optimistically biased military analysis, which can make an AI leader willing to start wars that he or she may well lose.

MaxWarNearbyPowerRatio is a threshold that rules out war if the military power ratio is too unfavorable.

Hiring war allies, granting or denying tribute, UN peacekeeping and some **other decisions** that imply war or peace are made based on war utility. Separate heuristics for these decisions, based on some combination of power ratio and attitude.

Decisions about vassal agreements are still largely made by the K-Mod AI (with many adjustments; change <u>112</u>); ditto defensive pacts.

The AI is *more* willing to make peace when there are hostile units near its cities, but can't evaluate if these units actually pose a threat. This can be exploited for better peace deals.

Unless a city is clearly about to fall, the AI is less inclined to make peace when there are enemy units near its cities.

Positions of units have no bearing on whether the AI is willing to capitulate.

This does not apply to capitulation; the Al capitulates only when faced with a threatening number of hostile units inside its borders (change 112b).

This is the only part of UWAI that cares about positions of units on the map. UWAI does not control *how* war is conducted, only *if*.

Dynamic Diplomacy (DDiplo)

One very noticeable change is in the mapping from relations values to AI attitude:

| Relations | ≥ 10 | ≥ 4 | ≤ 3 | ≤ -2 | ≤ -8 |
|-------------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| AI attitude | Friendly | Pleased | Cautious | Annoyed | Furious |

For comparison, in BtS, Cautious begins at -2, Pleased at +3 and Friendly at +10. However, DDiplo also removes the (hidden) -1 relations penalty on Noble difficulty and above, meaning that, in effect, the thresholds for Pleased and Cautious stay the same and the threshold for Friendly is one lower than in BtS. To win an AI civ's vote for a diplomatic victory, Friendly attitude is now required. (In BtS, +8 relations suffice.) Change id: <u>148</u>.

The following changes to relations modifiers should make diplomacy more consistent, more dynamic and less exploitable. Changes to vassal agreements are described at the end of the chapter.

- "Our mutual military struggle ...": A bonus of more than 1 now requires getting involved in the war, that is, to inflict or incur losses. The bonus decays over time and is reduced when there is a non-mutual war. (In BtS, it's sufficient to be formally at war, and, once accumulated, the bonus stays for the rest of the game.) Fighting inside an ally's borders is especially effective at increasing the diplo bonus. Fighting Barbarians inside another civ's borders counts too, even when there is no shared war. 130m
- "You agreed to come to our aid in wartime": Joining a war at the request of an AI civ results in a +1 relations bonus that is remembered for 100 turns on average. <u>130s</u>
- When a war ally is brought in, the two allies automatically sign a 10-turn peace treaty. 146
- "Years of peace" only start to count once a civ is met. 130a
- "You stopped trading with us": One cannot propose an embargo against one's own trade partner; will first have to cancel those trades. The target of the embargo refuses to

talk for (on average) 18 turns (BtS: 30) with both the civ that proposed the embargo and the one that agreed to it. (Exception: when a master asks its vassal to stop trading.) The embargo severs even recent deals that couldn't otherwise be canceled. <u>130f</u>

- "You made an arrogant demand" now only applies when a tribute demand is granted; no diplo penalty if the AI refuses to pay. However, if a player declares war on an AI civ that remembers having paid tribute, that civ and all AI civs it has met refuse tribute and help requests by the player for (on average) 80 turns. When an AI civ declares war, it forgets all tribute demands, i.e. it can be attacked without repercussions. 1300
- "You press us too hard": There is always a chance that the AI refuses a request for a gift for no particular reason. A refused request is therefore not a reliable way to determine if the AI is preparing war against the player who makes the request. The AI is willing to grant a gift about every 30 turns (20 in BtS). 144
- "You're getting ahead of us": Al civs dislike civs that are ranked slightly higher on the scoreboard but not those ranked much higher. These rank-based modifiers work differently in BtS (and BtS hides them from the player). 130c
- "A first impression is a lasting one": Another hidden BtS modifier; this one remains static
 for the entire game. It is based on leader personalities and affects mostly relations
 between AI civs. DDiplo reduces the modifier a bit, specifically the impact of "peace
 weight," to make diplomacy less preordained. 130b
- "We oppose your ruthless expansionism": Having a high number of cities with foreign majority culture results in relations penalties from everyone. These penalties complement the ones for having vassals ("worried about our rivals being vassals to your empire"). <u>130w</u>
- "We would have nothing to gain": Al leaders are reluctant to sign Open Borders with civs that they haven't located yet (not a single revealed land tile). When pleased, most Al leaders sign Open Borders regardless of revealed tiles. <u>124</u>
- "Our Open Borders have brought our peoples together": The time that it takes to attain and increase this bonus depends on the distances and trade routes between the two peoples' cities. <u>130i</u>
- "All the years you have supplied us with resources": This can take many, many years if the recipient already has many resources. <u>149</u>
- All AI memory decays. For example, memory about how "you razed our cities" decays by one city every 75 turns on average (<u>130r</u>). The other decay times (no decay in BtS):

| Memory type | Turns |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| "You razed our cities" | 75 |
| "You razed a holy city" | 150 |
| "Your spy was caught" | 40 |
| "You made an arrogant demand" | 30 |
| "You liberated our cities" | 150 |
| "You granted us independence" | 10x30 |

| Memory type | Turns |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| "You nuked us" | 120 |
| "You nuked our friends" | 80 |
| "You negotiated a trade embargo" | 60 |
| "You declared war on our friends" | 120 |
| "You brought in a war ally" | 75 |
| "You declared war on us" | 150 |

 "You declared war on us" penalty reduced to -2 if the declaration of war is triggered by a defensive pact. 130y

- "We are upset that you have signed Defensive Pacts with our rivals": Not if we like these rivals, or have our own defensive pacts with them, or if we're too weak to attack them anyway. Also no penalty for voluntary vassals ("our rivals being vassals to your empire") if we like those vassals. <u>130t</u>
- The AI refuses to sign a Defensive Pact if it was recently canceled (same mechanism as for canceled Open Borders). Defensive Pacts aren't automatically canceled when triggered, i.e. when a third party declares war on one of the signatories. 130p/ dlph.3
- "We care for our brothers and sisters of the faith"/ "You have wisely chosen your civics": If many civs share a religion or civic (e.g. Hereditary Rule), the relations bonuses are reduced. Conversely, the AI is more tolerant toward different religions if its own religion is shared by few. The AI only gets upset about another religion once it encounters a city with that religion. 130x//130n
- "You accepted our state religion/ favorite civic": The bonus decays faster when the player switches out of that religion or civic. <u>145</u>
- "Our trade relations have been fair and forthright": No longer based (primarily) on how recently a civ was met; more difficult to max out; and trades that are indeed "fair" contribute to the bonus. (In BtS, only what the AI gets on top of a fair deal counts.) 130p
- "You have traded with our worst enemy": The penalty is reduced when the worst enemy changes. Trade with a war enemy counts (partially) even if that enemy is not the worst enemy. Open Borders contribute to the enemy trade penalty. 130p
- "Perhaps it is time for all this bloodshed to end": The AI sometimes contacts human players with peace offers that can be more generous than those resulting from "what is the price for peace/ stop this fighting". Rejecting such an offer makes the AI slightly less willing to accept human peace offers. (In BtS, a bug prevents AI peace offers.) 134a
- The AI forgets actions of other civs, like "You gave us help", a little less randomly, whereas the tracking of e.g. "years of peace" or supplied resources is now a bit randomized. (In BtS, e.g. "years of peace" pay off after exactly 60 turns.) 130k/ 130j

AdvCiv eliminates most of the diplomatic drawbacks associated with **capitulated vassals** (change <u>130v</u>). They have Friendly attitude toward the master, share the master's attitude toward rivals (but no better than Cautious), can't be anyone's worst enemy and are ineligible as war targets and for elections (<u>014</u>). The master civ is held responsible for grievances caused by its capitulated vassals – penalties for razed cities, border troubles and trades with a worst enemy are partially added to the master's relations modifiers –, but the master is not blamed for things that the vassal civ did prior to the vassal agreement, nor for the vassal's religion.

Peacefully acquired vassals still work as in BtS, i.e. as largely independent. I've tweaked the conditions under which an AI agrees to a vassal agreement though: civs only look for a master if they feel threatened – having fallen behind isn't reason enough (112). If a master civ fails to protect its voluntary vassal (35% territorial loss or nuked repeatedly), the vassal cancels the agreement (143). A vassal that gets close to a victory condition also cancels the vassal agreement (112).

The following changes (130h) should make it easier to have productive relations with former vassals after **helping them break free**: Civs in a vassal-master relationship don't consider each other "friends" as far as the "you declared war on our friends" penalty is concerned. When a vassal makes peace or breaks free, its memory about past

declarations of war is decreased. When a capitulated vassal is freed because its master capitulates, the freed vassal gives +2 "You granted us independence" to the master of its former master. Freed vassals and their liberator automatically cease fire. 130y

Happiness from vassals ("We influence other civilizations") is now only gained from voluntary vassals, and it's capped at +1.142

Better Barbarians

Barbarian activity increases gradually: The activity peak is reached when two thirds of a continent are claimed by cultural borders. This happens typically by the early Medieval era, which fits historically with the Migration Period in Europe and the Sixteen Kingdoms in China. In contrast, BtS Barbarians peak shortly after they first appear.

Fewer Barbarians on low-yield tiles: The number of Barbarians that appear on a continent is based on the number of (culturally) owned and unowned tiles; in BtS, all land tiles count equally. AdvCiv disregards tiles with 0 food yield but adds 50% of the number of coastal tiles surrounding the continent. Thus, continents with large (arctic) deserts produce fewer Barbarians than in BtS, whereas snaky continents with long coasts produce more.

Barbarians can no longer appear on tiles with 0 food. They're less likely to appear on tiles with a total yield of 1, i.e. jungle and tundra, and more likely on all other tiles. The aim of this change is to help civs that are surrounded by poor land, and to disadvantage civs that have much good land to settle.

"Fogbusting" nerfed: In BtS, Barbarians can't appear within two tiles of any unit. This makes it easy to keep Barbarians at bay with just a few Warriors. AdvCiv removes this 2-tile restriction. That said, Barbarians still can't appear on tiles visible to any civ. So, fogbusting remains a useful tactic (ideally from hills for extra visibility), but covering the entire frontier isn't always feasible.

Adjustment for game speed: The rate at which defeated Barbarians are replaced is now adjusted to the game speed setting. In BtS, Barbarians tend to be much more dangerous on slow settings than on fast ones; this should not be the case in AdvCiv.

The Great Wall (TGW) **reworked**: Has two out of the three following abilities depending on whether Barbarians are raging (RB), standard or disabled (no Barbarians, NB):

- +1 trade route in cities on the same continent except when playing with RB;
- prevents Barbarians from entering your borders on this continent except with NB;
- +100% emergence of Great Generals inside your cultural borders if RB or NB.

To match the flavor of the trade route ability, TGW generates **Great Merchant** points instead of Great Spy points. TGW now **requires Archery**, costs **300 production** instead of 150 and requires **two Walls** (i.e. Masonry is still required indirectly). The prerequisite Walls can be in arbitrary cities (like the Monuments for Statue of Zeus). The new abilities should be reasonably balanced for all Barbarian settings. As for the increased cost, bear in mind that Barbarians don't become a major threat until the Classical era in AdvCiv, so there is no need to build this wonder very early.

TGW goes **obsolete with Corporation**, and I've taken this opportunity to weaken The **Great Lighthouse** (GLH): Now obsolete with Astronomy instead of Corporation, whereas the **Colossus** goes obsolete with Chemistry instead of Astronomy (and K-Mod increases its cost by 100).

Barbarian naval assaults: Barbarian land units can appear aboard Barbarian Galleys in

the fog of war. Once a Galley has cargo, it moves toward some nearby city for a naval assault. The units can also be dropped along the way, randomly, or in order to attack an unprotected non-combat unit. The intention is to make Barbarian Galleys harder to ignore, especially for civs without seafood at stake.

Great General points (GGP) from Barbarians: In BtS, up to 10 XP per unit can be gained from combat with Barbarians, but that XP doesn't translate into GGP. This is probably to disincentivize "farming" of Barbarians in tiles that are deliberately left unobserved. AdvCiv counts 50% of XP from Barbarians as GGP, rounded down. To avoid farming, XP from attacks on Barbarians is reduced to 75%. This results e.g. in only 1 XP and 0 GGP from a successful attack at 90% odds – no risk, no GGP.

Scouts & Animals: Scouts can now attack animals – after all, *Hunting* is a requirement for training Scouts – and Scouts get a combat bonus against all Barbarians, not just against animals. A "No Animals" option has been added to the Custom Game screen, taking the place of the poorly implemented "No Espionage" option (see change 309 about restoring that option); "No Barbarians" still means that no animals appear. On Emperor difficulty, the AI starts with one free Scout instead of two and on Immortal and Deity with one fewer Archer than in BtS; this leaves more Tribal Villages to humans.

Explorers & Tribal Villages: Explorers get the ability to attack Barbarians, which allows them to enter Tribal Villages guarded by a Barbarian unit, but they can't capture cities and no longer receive any free promotions.

Starting after turn 50 (on Normal speed; speed-adjusted), most of the Tribal Village effects become gradually stronger and reach their maximal impact on turn 250.

- Gold: By turn 250, the gold is increased tenfold.
- Tech: Initially about 55 progress toward a random pre-Industrial tech, and about 550 by turn 250.
- Map, XP, Heal: These have a chance of triggering an additional positive outcome. The chance reaches 100% around turn 160.
- Scout: Can be replaced by a Worker; same probability as above.
- Warrior and Hostiles: May create Warriors, Archers, Longbows, Musketmen, depending on the tech known to the Barbarians. A friendly unit can start with some free promotions.

Most of these changes are customizable through XML; see *Config* under 314 and 315.

New World Barbarians: These changes only really affect maps like Terra that have initially unsettled continents. On a related note, AdvCiv makes the AI civs more willing to settle on unclaimed continents. (change <u>040</u>).

- Barbarian cities begin to appear on continents without any civs earlier than they do in BtS. This way, a patchy network of Barbarian cities tends to be cover the New World by the time it is discovered, reminiscent of Sid Meier's Colonization. Since these cities produce lots of units by themselves, I've disabled the placement of (free) Barbarian units on continents without civs, and added a mechanism that disbands Barbarian units when an area becomes too crowded. Barbarians act relatively peacefully so long as their cities on a continent outnumber those of all civs taken together.
- The technological progress of Barbarians slows down once they stop sharing a continent with any civ. Once the New World is colonized, Barbarian research tends to catch up quickly, allowing the New World Barbarians to train Musketmen.
- To reinforce the notion that each Barbarian city represents a separate tribe or city state, I've ensured that the Barbarian AI never expands its borders.

Immortal Culture

- Eliminating a civ no longer removes that civ's tile culture. The remaining culture can cause anger, now listed as "We resent being ruled by a foreign culture" instead of "We yearn to join our motherland." <u>099</u>
- Revolts can occur in any cities, not just those close to foreign borders, and culture of dead civs can cause revolts. However, only border cities can flip. Cities can never flip from a master to its vassal. If a city can't flip, it loses one population on the third revolt and on subsequent revolts. <u>099c</u>
- The occupation timer after conquest or revolt decreases only with a per-turn probability.
 That probability is computed based on the city's revolt probability. The nationality bar on the city screen shows both probabilities. The occupation timer after conquest starts at no more than 3 turns (in BtS: 3 + 50% population).

Revolts can happen during occupation unless the city owner is at war with the owner of the foreign culture.

Damage makes units less effective at suppressing revolts, and occupying units heal only as fast as in a friendly non-city tile. <u>023</u>

- "Cruel oppression" anger in a city makes revolts considerably harder to suppress.
 (Otherwise, Slavery would be a too obvious answer for anger from foreign culture.) 101
- An alert message is shown when a city's revolt chance becomes positive. 210b
- Flipping-after-conquest is enabled by default. (The game option is now called "No City Flipping after Conquest" and it's unchecked by default.) <u>101</u>
- When a tile is culturally contested between two civs and only one of them has a city close enough to work the tile, then the other civ's tile culture is affected by a decay rate.
 This gives the civ that is able to work the tile an edge (especially on Epic and Marathon game speed as the decay rate isn't speed-adjusted). 099b
- K-Mod also makes changes to culture and revolts. AdvCiv keeps some of these see the first few bullets in the next chapter –, and reverses others:
 - Revolt chance is again proportional to the percentage of foreign culture, as in BtS;
 K-Mod sometimes required infeasibly large garrisons to bring the revolt chance down all the way to 0. <u>101</u>
 - AdvCiv disables culture from trade routes (still optional via XML). 125

K-Mod

See also the K-Mod thread on CFC.

BUG (Better Unaltered Gameplay): Many BUG options are disabled by default in K-Mod and AdvCiv in favor of a lean interface that provides essential time savers but doesn't look too different from unmodified BtS. Please use the BUG menu (Ctrl+Alt+O) to adjust the settings to your own preferences.

<u>BULL</u> is included only partly in K-Mod, meaning that some help text and overlays are unavailable. I've merged the Show Hidden Attitude Mod (included in BULL, but not BUG; change <u>advc.sha</u>), added Sentry behavior to Fortify-Heal (change <u>004l</u>) and replaced BULL's <u>pre-chop</u> option with a more general pre-build command (<u>011</u>) that is triggered by

holding down the Ctrl key while clicking on a Worker command. There are still several conveniences in BULL and other UI mods that are, so far, missing in AdvCiv; that said, AdvCiv also includes usability tweaks beyond those in other mods (see 004 for a list).

For players who aren't familiar with K-Mod, I'm listing the major gameplay changes. For players who *are* familiar with K-Mod, I'm also listing the K-Mod changes that I've reverted (end of this chapter).

- Culture system: Culture levels (e.g. "Influential") matter less in culture wars, and specific
 city culture values matter more. Moreover, the range at which the culture of a city affects
 borders has been increased, meaning that the number of border cities and their culture
 are less decisive. The output of some culture sources has been reduced:
 - Cathedrals increase culture by 40% instead of 50% and cost only 240 instead of 300.
 - Free Speech increases culture by 50% instead of 100%.
 - Culture from Great Works ("culture bomb") is adjusted to the game era.
 - Sid's Sushi Co. provides less culture per resource.
 - · About a dozen Great Wonders have their culture output reduced a bit.
 - The Spread Culture mission only affects tile culture, i.e. can no longer be exploited for an "espionage victory."
- City flipping: Revolts happen faster, but cities don't flip until the third revolt. "The net effect of these changes is that (...) it's a bit more predictable and less dependent on luck." (from the K-Mod changelog)

The revolt probability is halved if a unit with the Leadership promotion is present.

- Vassal agreements: Can instruct vassals to start war preparations via "Let's discuss something else." The impact of vassals on number-of-cities maintenance is more noticeable than in BtS.
- The number-of-cities maintenance cost is no longer capped, meaning that very large empires can incur very high city maintenance.
- Expendable units are chosen as defenders when no defender has favorable odds.
 (Lead From Behind mod component)
- Buffed considerably:
 - Serfdom +1 commerce on farms and plantations; -1 on towns
 - All cargo ships +1 capacity
 - XP from Great Warlord increased based on the number of units in the tile
- When a religion spreads, one of the older religions is sometimes (randomly) removed.
- The AI never agrees to Cease Fire.
- Trades offered by the AI can come with a discount. The discount is foregone if the player makes a counter-proposal. (In AdvCiv, the offer can also include more gold than the AI would normally consider; change <u>026</u>.)
- Cities that the AI isn't willing to trade aren't shown in the trade screen, and unrevealed
 AI cities are treated as secret. No BUG alerts about cities founded on unrevealed tiles.

- Espionage points accumulated by rivals against the player are treated as secret. Rival war weariness is only displayed when demographics are visible.
- The AI uses a greater variety of spy missions.
- Nerfed slightly:
 - War Elephant +10 cost
 - The Colossus +100 cost
 - State Property doesn't remove colony maintenance
- Buffed slightly (incomplete list):
 - Vassalage -25% number-of-cities maintenance
 - Mercantilism upkeep Low
 - Grenadier +10% city attack
 - Machine Gun +10% vs. Mounted units
 - Watermill +1 commerce initially but only another +1 from Electricity
 - Drill I -15% collateral damage
 - Protective trait boosts production of Security Bureau
 - Aggressive trait boosts production of Jail; Jail gets -2 espionage (regardless of trait)
 - Industrial Park +1 free Engineer (i.e. 2 in total), +50 cost
 - · Nuclear Plant meltdowns less disastrous
 - Guided Missile +1 range
 - Space Elevator another +50% production to spaceship parts
 - Forest Preserve +1 commerce
 - Environmentalism doesn't penalize corporations, yields +1 happiness from Public Transportation but has High upkeep. Environmentalism and Public Transportation both reduce bad health from population instead of granting good health.

Some that I couldn't put better, quoted from the K-Mod thread:

- "Barbarian Galleys get -10% strength"
- "Tech requirements for corporations changed: (...) Sushi Co: Refrigeration, Cereal Mills:
 Medicine, Creative Constructions: Steel, Standard Ethanol: Combustion"
- "Mining Inc now uses Aluminium and Uranium instead of Gold and Silver (this should make Mining Inc slightly weaker, and Civ Jewelers more viable)"
- "Cereal Mills also has +0.25 food output"
- "In the diplomacy screen, pressing 'Lets stop this fighting...' will now bring up the trade screen with the Al's suggested peace terms. (Originally, it just made peace instantly without any trades – it was a horrible button.)"
- "Tech trades in which the receiving player is more than 2/3 of the way through researching the tech or when the tech is two eras behind the 'game era' [the recipient's era in AdvCiv; 550e] no longer count toward tech trade memory; i.e. they don't

contribute to causing 'We fear you are becoming too advanced'."

 "Global warming has less of an impact on the map, but (in long games) causes unhappiness to those civs contributing to pollution. There's a new advisor screen [Environment tab on the Economics Advisor] about this."

Revised by AdvCiv:

- Changes made in order to smoothen or reinforce K-Mod balance changes:
 - Forest Preserve at Biology instead of Scientific Method. <u>901</u>
 - Watermill takes 4 turns to build, and Lumbermill 5 (instead of 8 both). 902
 - Serfdom has Medium upkeep instead of Low. 912a
 - Pacifism costs 1 gold per military unit, not 0.5. 912b
 - Colossus is obsolete with Chemistry. 310
 - Great Lighthouse obsolete with Astronomy; cost 250 (300 in K-Mod, 200 in BtS). 310
 - Ouechua has no bonus against Archers; cost is 15 (was 20 in K-Mod). 907b
 - Ship of the Line strength 10 (as in K-Mod), +25% against Frigate (K-Mod 20, BtS 50), req. Iron (as in BtS), +1 move, increased bombard rate, cost -10. 905b
 - Ironclad +1 move (as in K-Mod), at Steam Power (no Steel required), +25 % defense on Coast. 905b
 - Machine Gun +25% vs. Mounted units, not 10%. 909a
 - Hippodrome grants 1 Artist slot (K-Mod 2, originally 0) 913a
- Changes kept from K-Mod versions prior to 1.45:
 - Scientific Method +1 research per specialist (1.45 moves this to Computers and has Scientific Method provide +10% commerce)
 - Lumbermill at Guilds with +1 commerce (902: regardless of river) but no production bonus until Replaceable Parts (1.45 gives them +1 production already at Guilds)
- Adjustments to K-Mod AI behaviors:
 - Al razes fewer cities and less randomly; 116
 - uses Slavery and Drafting less aggressively, though still frequently; 121b, 017
 - uses malicious espionage only against civs it dislikes. 120

Reverted by AdvCiv:

- See <u>Immortal Culture</u> about reverted changes to culture and revolts.
- Production overflow is never invested into an additional unit as this had lead to balance problems with AI civs training multiple Archers per turn. Instead, excess overflow is converted into gold as in the <u>Unofficial Patch</u>, though with some tweaks to make this conversion harder to abuse. 064b
- Gifting Great People to the AI does not provide a relations bonus. 141
- No impact of global research on inflation; instead, adjusted tech costs based on difficulty for a more historically accurate tech pace, and Immortal and Deity games now

start on turn 10. 251

- Some minor balance changes undone that weren't pulling their weight in terms of added complexity (change 200):
 - Colosseum back at cost 80, no culture boost
 - 2 culture from Monastery, not 1; 4 culture from Madrassa, not 3
 - Eiffel Tower back at Radio
 - Civilized Jewelers back at Mass Media (not Corporation)
 - Drill does not lead to additional promotions except Blitz (see next chapter)
 - No change to maintenance of individual corporations (all at 100% as in BtS)

Important miscellaneous changes in AdvCiv

- Attacking a Worker or Settler no longer yields a captured Worker; the attacked unit just dies, i.e. no Worker stealing. <u>010</u>
- Trade routes can only come from revealed cities, and the paths to those cities need to be revealed as well. Cities are temporarily unavailable for trade when in disorder. Trade along rivers doesn't require any tech (as in Warlords/ Vanilla; BtS demands Sailing). When borders of a war enemy block trade, a naval blockade can override this. 124
- When mountain peaks block off part of a landmass, the parts are treated as separate continents. This is relevant for the placement of Barbarians, colony maintenance and wonders that affect only one continent; though the main point is to make things easier for the Al. <u>030</u>
- Map generation: Clusters of Gold or Gems made less common. No Flood Plains on the corners of rivers. Hidden resources are disregarded when assigning starting locations, meaning that resources are no more likely to be revealed near a starting tile than anywhere else. Starting locations worsened a bit overall. <u>108</u>, <u>129</u>
- When a tile with unfinished Worker builds is left alone for more than 7 turns, the invested Worker turns begin to decay. This is mainly to disincentivize pre-chopping. Old-11
- Forest and Jungle provide only 25% defense, and none if the tile is owned by the attacker. <u>012</u>
- Workers can no longer chop Forests and Jungles on unowned tiles. 119
- Al evacuates land units that can't defend well from cities that are about to be attacked and untenable. 139
- When the AI has more happiness or health than it needs, it may refuse to accept resources in trade or may trade away its only copy of a resource. <u>036</u>
- Hereditary Rule grants 1 happiness per every 2 military units and +25% happiness from resources. 912c
- Granary stores only 40% food, but provides food also after starvation. 160
- Financial trait grants +1 commerce only on tiles with a natural yield of at least 2 commerce (e.g. Coast) or a total yield of at least 3 commerce (e.g. riverside Hamlet). 908a

- Praetorian strength reduced from 8 to 7, cost from 45 to 40, starts with March, still no city attack bonus, and renamed to "Legionary." <u>907a</u>
- East Indiaman is a unique Frigate with 3 cargo spaces. Increased the bombard rate of Frigate. <u>905b</u>
- Galley, Trireme, Caravel, Frigate, Privateer +1 move. Cost of Galley and Trireme reduced from 50 to 45. Cost of Transport reduced from 125 to 100 and can't attack. Trireme has strength 3, but gets no bonus vs. Galley. 905
- Attack Submarine and Submarine (now called "Nuclear Submarine") switch places in the tech tree. Both units get 6 first strikes, which should make them more dangerous for Battleship, but Destroyer gets to ignore first strikes. Battleship costs 250 instead of 225.
 Stealth Destroyer receives the same anti-air and anti-submarine abilities as Destroyer and 1 cargo space for missiles but also a cost increase from 220 to 270. 906
- Drill I enables the Blitz promotion for ships, but Blitz only allows one extra attack. 164
- The Spy unit can investigate rival cities, but (unlike in Warlords) with a mission cost. 103
- Espionage slider requires Alphabet, isn't shown on the main interface if it's at 0 but can be adjusted on the Espionage screen. <u>120c</u>
- Get to choose from more civics and religions when using the "Change civics/religion"
 Spy mission, or when negotiating peace or trading with a vassal. <u>132</u>
- Wonders that have been removed from the production queue generate no "fail gold."
 Also no gold from national units. <u>123f</u>
- Can no longer bypass the Theocracy restriction by gifting missionaries. 123a/dlph.4
- On Emperor difficulty and above, some of the AI bonuses have been reduced, but human civs face increased production costs, research costs, city growth thresholds and Great Person thresholds. The progressive AI bonuses are now based on the game turn instead of the AI era. No second free Settler for the AI on Deity. 251/250e
- The default player count is 8 for the Standard map size. On Immortal and Deity, it might be better to stick to 7 players as in BtS because the AI is quick to expand. <u>137</u>
- "No Slavery" option that prevents human players from adopting the Slavery civic. 912d
- When playing with "Minimize Pop-Ups" (recommended): If more than 3 messages would be displayed at the beginning of a turn, the Event Log is opened instead. This can be disabled through the BUG menu. In the Event Log, a special entry "Older messages" marks the end of the unread messages. <u>106</u>
- "Show friendly moves" and "Show enemy moves" (player options) cause much less delay during AI turns: I've disabled most of the pointless AI patrols and excluded Worker moves from being shown to the player. <u>102</u>
- Switched the no-war-probability of Roosevelt and Darius, meaning that Darius can start wars when pleased, and Roosevelt – normally – cannot. <u>005a</u>
- Suryavarman's favorite religion is Hinduism and his favorite civic Caste System. 005a

Start Points as Handicap (SPaH)

The SPaH game option gives Advanced Starts only to the AI civs. You might want to use this option if:

- You find the game too easy on moderate difficulty, and dislike the crass ongoing Al bonuses on the high difficulty levels, perhaps for reasons of immersion. A big head start for the AI can be taken to mean that the AI civilizations emerged earlier than yours, like how the Romans appeared later than the Egyptians, whereas the ongoing AI bonuses on Immortal are hard to explain or overlook.
 - A big AI head start can narrow down the viable strategies in the early game though. It helps to assign start points unequally to the AI civs because this leaves some targets for early warfare, and a few far-ahead AI civs can't build all the early wonders.
- You find the game too easy on moderate difficulty, and dislike the big AI head start on the high difficulty levels, e.g. a Worker on Immortal. (Note that AdvCiv removes the free Settler on Deity.) Since Advanced Start replaces the AI freebies from the difficulty setting, you can reduce the AI head start by setting a modest amount of AI start points, e.g. Deity with 400 start points.
- You don't want every AI civ to receive the exact same freebies because this creates some distortions; for example, the Zulu get only one additional tech (Archery) on Immortal instead of three because they start with Hunting and Agriculture in any case.

Usage:

Not entirely intuitive because, sadly, the Custom Game screen can't be modified apart from adding checkboxes. You'll need to check the "Advanced Start" option in order to unlock the "Base Points" box; without Advanced Start, the SPaH option has no effect. If you enter at most 9999 Base Points, then each AI civ simply receives the amount of points entered.

If you enter a five- or six-digit number, SPaH assigns start points unequally. The box is then assumed to contain two distinct numbers: a percentage in the two digits to the right and an integer in the three or four digits to the left. E.g. 80050 means 800 and 50%. The left number says how many start points the bottommost AI civ receives, i.e. the civ in the bottommost AI slot. The topmost AI civ (topmost AI slot) receives a *fraction* of the bottommost's points equal to the percentage. In the example, that's 50% of 800 = 400. The remaining AI civs receive values in between those two bounds. (Combined with Monarch difficulty, the 800/50% setting should be a challenge close to Immortal.)

SPaH never gives an Advanced Start to human civs, i.e. they start as normal with a Settler and Warrior or Scout. Humans receive starting locations based on the difficulty setting, i.e. the best ones on Settler and the (almost) worst ones on Deity. Then, if an unequal point distribution is used, the AI civs with the fewest points (top AI slots) are placed in the locations closest to the human civs, and the AI civs with the most points (bottom AI slots) are placed the farthest away.

Once the game has started, the start point distribution is shown on the Settings tab of the Victory screen. You'll also notice that the game doesn't start on turn 0. This is done to reinforce the notion that the human civs are late arrivals, and to have the game year match the overall development of the world.

An AI civ with a small number of points may have difficulties repelling a human Warrior rush, so I'd recommend against going far below 300. AI civs receive at least the 150 start

points needed for a city, even if fewer points are entered. Unequal distributions are incompatible with team games, which is to say, they should technically work, but the assignment algorithm makes no effort to balance the teams' start points and locations. See 250b about how to enable Advanced Start and SPaH in scenarios.

General changes to Advanced Start (250c):

BtS allows start points to be converted 1:1 into production, which is usually far better than a 1:1 conversion into research. In order to make technologies a bit more attractive in Advanced Start, I've changed the conversion rate to 1:1.5 for production, meaning that cities, units and buildings now cost 50% more. Improvements, visibility and culture still seemed overcosted in comparison, so I've lowered the costs of these a bit.

Advanced Start costs are no longer adjusted to the game speed setting. This makes it unnecessary to manually adjust the start points entered on the Custom Game screen to match the game speed. When playing without SPaH and on a difficulty higher than Noble, the AI receives more start points than entered. This was apparently intended by the BtS developers but not correctly implemented. Conversely, human start points are no longer adjusted based on difficulty (this was working in BtS); humans get exactly as many points as entered.

For reference, the AI freebies for each difficulty setting, and the number of start points that would be needed in order to buy those freebies given the above changes to Advanced Start costs and assuming Standard map size (tech is more expensive on larger maps):

| Difficulty | Prince | Monarch | Emperor | Immortal | Deity |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Free initial items per AI civ | 1 Settler 1 Warrior | 1 Settler 1 Archer 1 Warrior | 1 Settler 2 Archers 1 Scout ^{see 250e} | 1 Settler 1 Worker 2 Archers ^{250e} 2 Scouts | 1 Settler ^{250e} 1 Worker 3 Archers ^{250e} 2 Scouts |
| | | Archery | Archery Hunting | Archery Hunting Agriculture | Archery Hunting Agriculture The Wheel |
| Worth in pts. | 187 | 298 | 406 | 592 | 703 |

Includes 15 extra points for the 10 free initial production that the AI civs receive on all difficulty settings. In AdvCiv, the AI civs do not receive this free production after an Advanced Start. On Monarch and below, if an AI civ starts with Hunting, the Warrior becomes a Scout.

Rise and Fall (R&F)

If the R&F game option is enabled on the Custom Game screen, the game gets divided into several *chapters* (of history). During the first chapter, you play as the leader and civ set on the Custom Game screen (random also works). Once a chapter ends, you're asked to select one of the other civs in the game. During the next chapter, you control the selected civ, while your previous civ is controlled by the Al. After each chapter, a score is awarded that measures how much your civ has improved since the start of the chapter. If you manage to fulfill a victory condition, the game ends, and you score a premium, which is, again, based on the standing of your civ at the start of the chapter. To maximize the total score, you need to pick civs that are doing badly but have the potential for improvement. If you play well, civs will "rise" under you control, and begin to decline after Al control resumes – this is the "fall" part. That is, unlike in the Rhye's and Fall mod, there

is no special collapse mechanism. There is no connection with the "Rise & Fall" expansion for Civ 6. The <u>High to Low</u> challenge in Kael's <u>Assimilation</u> mod has been an inspiration.

Supported and recommended game settings: Single-player only, no teams or Permanent Alliances. The number of chapters is 6 on Quick speed, 7 on Normal, 8 on Epic and 9 on Marathon, provided that there are enough civs in the game. Since a different civ is supposed to be played in each chapter and some are usually eliminated before the final chapter, it's advisable to configure at least 1.5 times as many civs as chapters. If you dislike playing on Huge maps, you can fit enough civs on a Large map (up to 16 I'd say) or even a Normal map (up to 12) if you set the sea level to Low (assuming a standard map script like Fractal or Continents). You may want to take a look at the "Score" tab of the Victory screen at game start in order to verify that the number and length of chapters is as intended.

I haven't tested unusual settings much, but R&F should, in principle, work with any map script and any scenario where the civs start without cities. Advanced Start should be fine too, but not <u>SPaH</u>. Later-era start results in fewer chapters.

R&F is intended to be played at a difficulty that makes it challenging to take a civ from a rank near the bottom to a rank near the top over the course of a chapter. That's going to be about three difficulty levels lower than what would normally pose a challenge.

Objective: The objective is to maximize what I'm calling the *Rise* score. When the game ends, that score is computed as the sum of the *chapter* scores plus a premium for victory. What the scoreboard on the main interface shows are scores based on population, technology etc.; this score is computed as in BtS, and I'm calling it *CIV* score to distinguish it from the chapter score. Chapter score is based on the change(!) in CIV score



The CIV score from the scoreboard on the lower right feeds into the chapter score on the left of the Score tab, which feeds into the Rise score on the right of the Score tab.

and rank since the beginning of a chapter. Once the game ends, the final rank between "Dan Quayle" and "Augustus Caesar" is computed from the Rise score. (In non-R&F games, the rank is computed from the CIV score and game end turn.)

Delayed scoring, AI changes: A chapter isn't scored right after it ends but during the subsequent chapter. This is done to disincentivize shortsighted plays toward the end of a chapter, e.g. conquering cities that aren't tenable in the long run. The first chapter is scored in the middle of the second chapter. With each chapter, the scoring delay decreases a little; the penultimate chapter is scored one quarter into the final chapter. The exact turns on which scoring happens are shown on the upper half of the Score tab. On those turns, a popup with a breakdown of the chapter score appears.

A side-effect of delayed scoring is that you have a stake in two civs during the first portion of each chapter: the one you're currently playing and the one from the previous chapter. This creates an awkward incentive for helping the civ from the previous chapter. Similarly, toward the end of a chapter, there can be an incentive for helping whichever civ you're going to take control of in the next chapter. In order to limit such collusive help, I've made

the following changes to the AI:

- Doesn't accept unsolicited gifts, and asks for gifts less frequently than normal. No units can be gifted.
- Rejects offers that are heavily lopsided in favor of the AI. This can also mean that the AI refuses to make peace in exchange for a valuable technology.
- Is reluctant to get paid for things of questionable value to the player: civics and religion changes, embargoes, sponsored war and brokered peace.

These restrictions don't apply: to civs that have already been scored; to vassals of the player; nor to any civs that outrank the player on the scoreboard. During the final chapter, the restrictions only apply to the civ from the penultimate chapter (until that civ is scored).

Intermediate periods: In between every two consecutive chapters, there is an "intermediate" period of 5 to 10 turns (depending on game speed) during which you control no civ. During an intermediate period, most elements of the user interface aren't updated, meaning that you have practically no vision and agency. A countdown on the upper right shows how many turns remain until the start of the next chapter. The main purpose of the intermediate periods is to prevent military cooperation between the civs played in two consecutive chapters.

Civ selection: When an intermediate period ends, you're prompted to select a civ for the upcoming chapter. Each civ should be played for at most one chapter. Sometimes, this is impossible because too many civs have been eliminated already; therefore, it's allowed to play the same civ repeatedly, but the chapter score is halved then. Playing the same civ for two chapters in a row is not possible, and any vassals of the most recently played civ are off-limits too.

The selection popup lists civs in order of recommendation: First, non-vassals not previously played, inversely ordered by rank, then, vassals not previously played and, last, civs previously played. Civs



Popup for civ selection

known to any previously played civ are listed by name, the others as "unknown." Hovering over an entry shows the civ's current CIV score, whether it's a vassal, and if so, if capitulated or voluntary and the identity of the master, and lists any war enemies. A victory stage between 1 and 4 is shown if the civ is close (at least stage 3) to fulfilling a victory condition. All this information is provided even if the name of the civ is unknown. It's often unwise to take over a civ that is at war with a stronger opponent. If you select a voluntary vassal, you'll be able to cancel the vassal agreement at any time. As a capitulated vassal, you'll have to acquire enough land and population in order to break free.

Chapter scoring function: The computation of the chapter score isn't entirely simple, but it should suffice to know that the more the CIV score has increased between the start of the chapter and scoring, the higher the chapter score.

When a chapter is scored, 0 to 100 points are awarded based on the rank r of the scored civ on the CIV scoreboard at the time of scoring:

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100 * (worst rank - r) / (worst rank - 1)
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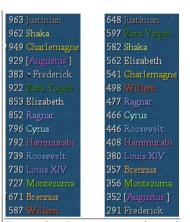
That's 100 when ranked first (r=1) and 0 when ranked last (worst). In this context, the civ currently controlled is always considered to be ranked behind the civ that is being scored: this way, success in the

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Current Chapter Score
        from rank (4.)
       from initial rank (14. of 15)
        from Civ score (101% of rank 5)
       from initial Civ score (65% of rank 5)
  +12 if retiring this turn (22% time unspent)
 120 in total
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Chapter score breakdown (Score tab)

current chapter can't hurt the score for the previous one. A score for the *initial* rank, i.e. the rank at the time that the scored civ came under human control, is computed in the same way, and subtracted from the score for the current rank. Thus, the total score from rank is maximized (100 points) by starting in the last place and climbing all the way to first. A civ that starts in rank 1 can at best gain 0 points from rank by staying in rank 1, and otherwise loses points.

- Points are also awarded directly for CIV score; otherwise, it would be pointless to continue a chapter when it's clear that the current civ can't climb another rank. The CIV score of the next best rank is used as a point of reference. In the example on the right. Rome is currently fourth, so its score of 929 is divided by that of the fifth rank (Ethiopia, 922), and the resulting percentage (101) is added to the chapter score. At the start of the chapter, Rome's score of 352 was 65% of the fifth rank (Charlemagne, 541), and that percentage is subtracted, resulting in a net gain of 36 points from CIV score.
- If the chapter was ended prematurely through retirement (see "End of chapter" below), the chapter score from rank and CIV score is increased by half the percentage of the turns remaining at the time of retirement. For example, if 14 out of 65 turns remain, the portion of unspent time is 22%, so the chapter score is



Example: Current scoreboard (left) and scoreboard at the start of the current chapter

increased by 11%.

If the bottom line is -10 or worse, a square root is applied in order to reduce the loss of points. This is done so that a single failed chapter can't ruin the total Rise score.

End of chapter: All chapters have the same length except for the last one, which can be a bit longer or shorter than the others. The chapter length depends on the number of chapters and the game speed. To see how many turns remain, hover the mouse over your civ's flag on the main interface. During the last three turns of a chapter, a countdown is shown directly on the main interface, and at the beginning of the final turn, there is a popup reminder.

As the end of a chapter approaches, you should try to put your civ in a state that its AI leader can work with because the civ comes under AI control for some time before scoring happens. E.g. Gandhi might not continue your war of conquest. Don't rely on preprogramming decisions for the AI: When the AI takes over, the mod clears your slider positions, governor settings and the queues for city production, research and unit missions.

You can end a chapter early by selecting "Retire" from the main menu. This button, which normally concedes the entire game, works very differently with R&F. By retiring early, you earn a bonus to your chapter score (see "Chapter scoring function" above) and the chapter continues on AI Auto Play until its regular end turn. One situation in which retiring makes sense is when your civ is getting so far ahead of the others that the AI might run away with the game once the chapter ends.

| Chapte | rs | 100 | | |
|--------|----------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Zululand | Turn 0 to 64 (1440 BC) | 57 points | Scored on Turn 118 |
| 2 | England | Turn 73 to 137 (540 AD) | 107 points | Scored on Turn 191 |
| 3 | Rome | Turn 146 to 210 (1500 AD) | 154 points | Scored on Turn 264 |
| 4 | Aztec | Turn 219 to 283 (1826 AD) | 31 points (turns remaining: 34) | Scored on Turn 337 |
| | | Turn 292 to 356 (1936 AD) | | Scored on Turn 410 |
| 6 | | Turn 365 to 429 (2009 AD) | | Scored on Turn 483 |
| 7 | | Turn 438 to 499 (2049 AD) | ? | Scored on Turn 499 |
| | | Total so far: | 349 | |

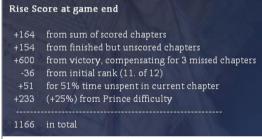
List of chapters on the Score tab, showing start and end turn (with end year), chapter score and scoring turn for past chapters, the current chapter and future chapters. The chapters with score values in bold have already been scored; score values not shown in bold indicate the score that would be awarded if the chapter were scored right now.

Game end: The game ends immediately when one of the BtS victory conditions is fulfilled by any civ. If the previous chapter hasn't been scored yet, it is scored now. If an AI civ wins, then the current chapter is scored as well and the Rise score is simply the sum of the chapter scores. If the human civ wins, then the current chapter is not scored, i.e. rank and CIV score don't matter. Instead, a victory premium is added to the total score of the earlier chapters. This is, once again, a bit complicated; in short, the incentive is to win as early as possible if it can be done from a poor position, but not to win a quick victory by picking a civ that is already about to win.

- Premium P: 150 points plus 150 for each chapter that hasn't started yet.
- The premium above is reduced based on the rank r_0 at the start of the chapter (initial rank) by subtracting

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(P/1.5) * (worst rank - r_0) / (worst rank - 1).
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However, even when the initial rank is 1, the premium is never reduced below a lower bound of P/3.



Rise score breakdown (Score tab)

- In the endgame, score isn't a good measure of a civ's standing. Therefore, whenever R&F considers ranks, those civs close to a victory condition (stage 3 or 4) are considered to be ranked higher than those not close to any victory, and civs at stage 4 outrank those at stage 3.
- Regardless of the initial rank, the percentage of turns remaining in the chapter in which victory has been achieved is added.
- Finally, the Rise score is multiplied by a factor based on the difficulty setting.

On the Hall of Fame screen, the Rise score is shown in the "final score" column. Use the "score victory" filter in order to display only results of R&F games.

A defeat of the human civ does not cause the game to end unless it happens in the final chapter. Instead, human defeat causes the game to continue on Auto Play until the chapter ends, and then a new civ is selected as normal. A defeated civ is scored immediately and is treated as having 0 CIV points.

PerfectMongoose (PM)

The PM map script is based cephalo's <u>PerfectWorld3</u> (PW3), which employs models of plate tectonics, wind patterns and hydrology. The basic ideas are best described in the old CFC <u>thread</u> for PerfectWorld2 (PW2). LunarMongoose ported PW2's successor PW3 from Civ 5 to Civ 4, incorporated changes by AlAndy and Fuyu, and made changes of his own, which are listed in the PM <u>thread</u> on CFC.

- PM vs. Tectonics: LDiCesare's Tectonics script, which is included in BtS, also models
 plate tectonics and wind but, as far as I can tell, in simpler ways. PM has about three
 times as many lines of code as Tectonics does if that's any indication. That said,
 Tectonics offers some unique options like "Mediterranean". An updated version of
 Tectonics is also included with AdvCiv (change id 021a).
- PM vs. Totestra: <u>Totestra</u> is a PW2 fork by vktj. Totestra offers more custom map options than PM, but PM has a more advanced terrain generator.

I've customized PM (change <u>021b</u>) because I felt that the starting locations were too unbalanced and it played too differently from the standard map scripts. In particular, there was too little arable land and too much dense forest. <u>Civ 4 Reimagined</u> has changed Totestra in similar ways, and I've adopted some of those changes.

In many ways, PM can supersede the Fractal map script, but since PM tends to generate more continents and more chokepoints than Fractal, the space available for expansion tends to be distributed less evenly. Other caveats:

- Huge maps might take a couple of minutes to compute.
- The "Old World Start" option often only manages to reserve a small New World.

I've removed the custom map options for using the (legacy) PW2 land generator and climate system, and the option to "break Pangaea with meteors." Instead, the script tries to break Pangaea if and only if the Old World Start option is set.

Mixed Continents

A variant of jam3's <u>Continents and Islands</u>, which, in turn, is based on the BtS script "Big and Small" by Sirian. I've called my version "Mixed Continents" because it doesn't necessarily involve islands – by default, the two landmass types are normal continents and small ("snaky") continents. It's possible to place the two landmass types in two separate regions of the map, but, by default, they're mixed together. (For separate regions, K-Mod's "Not Too Big or Small" script might be the better choice.) I've disabled jam3's terrain options because I found them a bit arbitrary, and, instead of the "Add Water" option, the sea level setting is now used. ("Big and Small" ignores the sea level.) I've also added a world-wrap option and tweaked the land/ sea ratio and map dimensions so that the same player counts can be used as on e.g. Fractal. For some more details, see change id <u>mxc</u>.

All-Al games

An all-Al game can be a quick way to to get an impression of the Al behavior in AdvCiv or to check how well the mod handles certain game settings. The procedure is as follows:

1. Make sure that cheats are enabled (CheatCode = chipotle in My Games\Beyond the Sword\CivilizationIV.ini). This is a prerequisite for Debug mode and Al Auto Play.

- 2. On turn 0, press Ctrl + Z to switch into Debug mode. This makes the entire map visible.
- 3. Unless the game is set to Noble or Prince difficulty, if you want your own civ to have the same starting conditions as the other Al civs, you'll have to use the WorldBuilder to give additional techs and units to your civ (if the difficulty is higher than Prince; see the table above the Rise & Fall chapter), or to all other civs (if the difficulty is lower than Noble).
- 4. Press Ctrl + Shift + X to have the AI take control of your civ. A popup lets you choose the number of turns to be spent on AI Auto Play. (A mnemonic for the shortcut: control is shifted to the AI for X turns.) AI Auto Play can also be interrupted through Ctrl + Shift + X, though you may have to press these keys repeatedly because key presses are not received reliably during AI Auto Play.

AdvCiv makes a few improvements to the Al Auto Play mod component (change id 127):

- The player's civ plays by the same rules as the AI civs; in particular it plays on the same difficulty level.
- While both AI Auto Play and Debug mode are enabled, messages about major game events such as declarations of war and conquered cities are shown as if the player's civ had perfect knowledge of the game state.
- Unless interrupted, AI Auto Play ends at the start of a human turn. This means that no diplo popups can occur on that turn. (That said, it can still happen that the player is prompted to vote on a UN resolution right after AI Auto Play ends.)

Known issues

- No known serious bugs. It can't hurt to set a narrow AutoSaveInterval in My Games\
 Beyond the Sword\CivilizationIV.ini.
- Networked and hotseat multiplayer haven't been tested much and mostly through AI
 Auto Play. K-Mod is known to be a stable multiplayer mod, it's just my additions that I'm
 concerned about, particularly the use of floating point numbers (cf. <u>003g</u>). I've never
 tried PBEM and PitBoss.
- Some of the Custom Game settings have been tested only superficially through AI Auto Play, and, of course, I haven't been able to test every combination of settings.
- If the mod folder "AdvCiv" is renamed, the name also has to be changed in Assets\ XML\Art\CIV4ArtDefines_Misc.xml and (twice) in Resource\Civ4.thm. Otherwise, the mod will crash while loading: "Failed to initialize the primary control theme." This is a side effect of change <u>002b</u>. That change is also the reason why AdvCiv can't be installed in My Games\Beyond the Sword\Mods.
- The current version of the mod can load savegames from earlier versions but no savegames from other mods nor from unmodified BtS.
- Translations: German translations are (almost?) complete, though hardly tested. I don't recommend playing in one of the Romance languages as I've only translated parts of the new game text and the Civilopedia wouldn't reflect the gameplay changes in AdvCiv.
- One player has reported a potential issue with AdvCiv and Windows 7 user account control, so I've listed some steps that might help: <u>link</u>
- The Work in progress section at the end of this manual lists some non-critical open

issues.

For developers

The modified source code files are available on <u>GitHub</u>. In all modified files, changes and additions are labeled in-line with "advc.id" or enclosed in XML style: $\langle advc.id \rangle$... $\langle /advc.id \rangle$, where id is one of several three-digit numbers that I've (somewhat arbitrarily) assigned to sets of related changes.

Changes from K-Mod-Extended are instead marked with kmodx (these are also in K-Mod 1.45, but I had merged them into AdvCiv before 1.45 was released), those adopted from DarkLunaPhantom (Kek-Mod) with dlph. and contributions by Erik (devolution on CFC) with Erik. All changes from the LoR SDK ModMod are tagged with cdtw.

I've gathered bugfixes and UI tweaks that other mods could easily adopt *from* AdvCiv in this CFC post. Multiplayer mods may want to avoid adopting any AdvCiv code that uses floating point numbers (cf. 003g).

Developer documentation for UWAI is not included in this file; the changelog (id 104) only describes the integration of UWAI into BtS. Parts of UWAI are adjustable through AI_Variables_GlobalDefines.xml. If you've enabled logging (LoggingEnabled=1 in My Games\Beyond The Sword\CivilizationIV.ini), you can change REPORT_INTERVAL in Global Defines_devel.xml in order to have UWAI write AI internals to My Games\Beyond The Sword\Logs\uwai.log. The logs are formatted in Textile. I've been using Borgar Porsteinsson's Textile-JS to parse it (free web interface). In Debug mode (Ctrl + Z), AI war plans can be checked in-game by holding down the Alt key and hovering over the AI leaders on the scoreboard; same as in the BBAI mod. If UWAI_SPECTATOR_ENABLED is set to 1 in GlobalDefines_devel.xml and Debug mode is enabled, then announcements about AI war preparations are shown during AI Auto Play. Debug mode, WorldBuilder and AI Auto Play can be enabled in multiplayer through XML; see 135c for details.

If you allow more than 18 civs through MAX_CIV_PLAYERS in CvDefines.h, be aware that Al turns may become prohibitively slow. (Also, such a change requires the DLL to be rebuilt; see below.) In my latest test (v0.95) with just 18 civs, the first 250 turns of an all-Al game took about 16 minutes. This is much faster than unmodified BtS (23 minutes) but slower than K-Mod (12 minutes). The difference from K-Mod is almost entirely due to the UWAl component and may increase steeply if more civs are added. I'm hoping to improve scalability in a future version by ruling out some potential war targets through simpler heuristics. For benchmark tests, the shortcut Ctrl+Shift+B can be used in Debug mode.

Rebuilding CvGameCoreDLL.dll: If you've done this before for other mods, then it's just a matter of setting the usual file paths in <code>CvGameCoreDLL\Project\Makefile.settings</code>. Otherwise, see step 5 in this old guide by Asaf about the paths; <code>CIV4_PATH</code> corresponds to <code>CIVINSTALL</code>. As for installing the Windows SDK and Visual C++ toolkit, see step 1 under "Setup from Scratch" in Leoreth's <code>guide</code>. Step 2 describes how to install Visual Studio (VS) 2010 Express, which is what I've been using; any newer version of VS can be used as well, though <code>it appears</code> that VS 2010 still has to be installed. Make sure to select VS 2010 for C++ in the installer. To build the DLL, open <code>CvGameCoreDLL\Project\AdvCiv.sln</code> in VS and select "Build" from the "Debug" menu (or press F7). The build configuration can be changed in the "Configuration Manager". Nightinggale's <code>guide</code> contains some information about the available configurations. See "<code>advc.make</code>" in the changelog below about configurations added by AdvCiv.

To attach the VS debugger, I recommend creating a copy of My Games\Beyond the Sword\ CivilizationIV.ini, e.g. named AdvCivDebug.ini. It's easiest to place it in the same directory as Civ4BeyondSword.exe (CIV4_PATH directory). In the copy, set FullScreen = 0 and Mod = Mods\AdvCiv. You may also want to reduce ScreenHeight a little (rationale) and make some other debug-friendly settings: CheatCode = chipotle, LoggingEnabled = 1, AutoSaveInterval = 1. Then, select the "Debug" configuration in VS 2010 and under "Configuration Properties", "Debugging" enter Civ4BeyondSword.exe with its full path(!) into the "Command" field and ini=AdvCivDebug.ini into "Command Arguments". (VS will write that information into CvGameCoreDLL\Project\AdvCiv.vcxproj.user; that file can also be edited directly.) You can then "Start Debugging" via the "Debug" menu.

Changelog

Not a chronological record; the change ids are assigned pretty arbitrarily. Changes since v0.8 are also tracked through Git: commit history.

| 001 | Minor bugfixes (not a complete list) |
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| | Fixes merged from other mods: kmodx , dlph . 104z fixes a bug in CvPlayerAI:: AI_eventValue. |

Corrected the city culture output shown during disorder by K-Mod/BUG with enabled Building-Actual-Effects option.

Al refuse-to-talk duration was lowered purely based on war success ratio in BtS, not absolute war success. This way, killing a single stray unit before stack combat could make the Al willing to talk. Added a lower bound for enemy war successes.

Barbarians no longer spare a single target city per continent from pillaging. In BtS, they apparently try to conquer that city intact. (CvUnitAI::AI pillageRange)

And Barbarians don't target cities protected by the Great Wall. (CVPlayerAI::AI findTargetCity)

Reduced the chance for building a "priority fort" from 80% to 20%, which, I suspect, was intended. (No clue if it's wise.)

Since K-Mod 1.44, Gunship had been able to capture cities if they contained a visible non-combat unit. Reported by Zholef **here**. Also fixed in K-Mod 1.45, but I've kept my own fix instead.

Eliminated AI civs can no longer do diplomacy. In BtS, there is a slim chance for this to happen right after an AI is eliminated by another AI.

Al no longer trades for resources needed only for obsolete units (merged from **Better BUG AI**).

Integer overflow in K-Mod code when a large amount of culture is added through WorldBuilder. Thanks to xaster for pointing out the issue on <u>CFC</u>. Also fixed in K-Mod 1.46.

BBAI attitude cache updated when the ranks on the scoreboard are updated.

The dot map overlay shows up correctly after loading. Bugfix by EmperorFool: <u>source</u> *Tbd.*: Overlay isn't cleared when regenerating the map. And stays disabled after Al Auto Play. And doesn't store the most recently selected color in savegames. And appears to be cleared when Python scripts are reloaded (if this doesn't crash BUG entirely; see <u>009b</u>).

Cottages, Hamlets and Villages don't grow during disorder.

When enemy units and neutral units are together in a tile, the unit model shown on the map is guaranteed to be an enemy unit. (K-Mod bug in CvPlot::updateCenterUnit)

A resolution for mutual defensive pacts can't be signed if all non-vassal members already have signed defensive pacts. (CvGame::isValidVoteSelection)

In CvFractal::tectonicAction, a variable was unused, and this looked like a bug. I'm not sure though; the maps look as before. It seems that only the Continents script calls that function. (I'll probably also use it for the "True Starts" script; see tsl.)

Two bugs fixed in the calculateTradeRoutes function (TradeUtil.py, CvExoticForeign Advisor.py). I don't think either of these had any impact in AdvCiv, but they were still bugs. Credits: Leoreth (Dawn of Civilization mod) Git commit 1 2

autologEventManager.py (Autlog mod) had assumed the active player slot to be 0 in a few places. There might be other issues with scenarios (which don't usually give slot 0 to the active player) – I haven't tested it; these are just errors I came across when browsing through the code.

K-Mod shows cities as Barbarian if the true owner hasn't been met (city revealed through map trade). Now showing the true color. In vCity::getCityBillboardSizeIconColors.

If the AI starts the game with a free Worker, then the starting Settler is moved before the Worker. (In K-Mod, the first Worker turn is always wasted.) Implemented through CvPlayerAI::

AI movementPriority and CvUnitAI::AI handleStranded.

When a unit that is selected by the active player dies (in combat or disbanded), the per-turn income shown on the upper left is immediately updated to reflect possible changes in expenses (unit cost and supply). In CvUnit::kill.

Corrected the id of K-Mod's "Simple Unit Selection" option in the DLL (CvGame::selectUnit); the option had no effect previously.

From Mongoose Mod changelog

12-14 Dec 2012: "bug in CvUnitAI::AI_betterPlotBuild [...] it was thinking every plot bridged two plotgroups"

15 Feb 2013: "vanilla bug with the AI evaluation of [...] worldsize-scaling -1 quantity value on Broadway, Rock 'N Roll, and Hollywood's free resources" (in CvCityAI::AI buildingValue)

On the city screen, use the art style of the city owner even if another player is inspecting the city. Based on this bugfix by Leoreth (Dawn of Civilization mod). I've fixed it entirely through CvPlayer::getUnitArtInfo.

Set "time played" back to 0 when regenerating the map. (CvGame::regenerateMap)

canParadrop and canParadropAt had not been correctly exposed to Python (Credit: Roamty; link)

In CvCityAI::AI_getPlotMagicValue, the YieldWithBuild value needs to be taken times 100 to match the scale of AI getYieldMagicValue.

This bug was introduced with the BtS expansion and probably mattered only for the <code>iPopToGrow</code> computation in <code>CvCityAI::AI_yieldValue</code>. Even there, the impact seems to have been minor because happiness is normally the dominant limiting factor for (planned) Al population growth. See also: The bugfix is important for <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/jts.2007/jts

| 001b | (Not actually a bugfix.) Can't train air units in cities already filled with air units. (BtS allows them to be trained and rebases them upon completion, destroys them if that's not possible.) | | |
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| Rationale | The BtS behavior is good as a fallbacism't necessary. | ck, but better to avoid teleporting units when it | |
| See also | 064d asks for a new production order because of the arrival of another air u | r when an air unit can no longer be trained unit. | |
| 001c | Displayed GP birth probabilities comp | outed based on current GPP per turn | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| Corrected the birth probabilities shown on the GP Birth probabilities are based on the GPP bar (city screen and BUG GP progress bar). Now collected so far; no projection. The probabilities project the city's current per-turn GPP into the future. | | collected so far; no projection. The probabilities adjust only gradually when a specialist is | |
| Tbd. | Should perhaps take into account a foreseeable increase of the GP threshold due to other cities finishing their GP earlier. And Golden Age length if currently in a Golden Age. That said, I might at some point change the way the threshold increases; better to leave the UI-side alone for now. | | |
| See also | 078: Changes to BUG's GP bar options. | | |
| 001d | In Debug mode, the Top 5 Cities and Wonders tab and Religion, Civics and Espionage screens were not properly switching to the perspective of another civ because of some | | |

| | errors in the Vanilla Civ 4 and BtS Python code. |
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| See also | 007 deals with other changes to Debug mode |
| Tbd. | Tech tree doesn't show the tech progress of the civ selected from the Debug menu; only shows which techs are known to that civ. |
| | cities are shown as "Unknown" on Top 5 cities (K-Mod: "Unknown" only if owner not revealed cities are considered for the list of high-culture cities on the Victory screen. |
| Rationale | Not really a bugfix on second thought but consistent with the K-Mod rule that unrevealed cities are secret. |
| 001e | No more stop-trading requests about a civ that has just stopped being worst enemy; and no offers for Defensive Pact from a civ that has just been attacked. |
| Rationale | Because the AI can't immediately contact human players, the conditions for AI requests need to be checked again at the start of the human turn. This is handled outside the SDK and mostly works, but, apparently, some checks had been missing. |
| See also | 134a deals with AI peace offers getting discarded by the EXE. |
| Tbd. | It would be good to check reasonable preconditions for all AI requests at the start of the human turn inside the DLL. Perhaps by moving the conditions that are checked before making each request (mostly in <code>CvPlayerAI::AI_doDiplo</code>) into subroutines. Rationale: a) There could be further conditions that the EXE fails to check, and (b) the DLL could then reset the appropriate AI contact timer (since no contact was made); I don't think the EXE does this. The timer for embargo requests and DP offers are already reset by the DLL but only in the narrow circumstances described above (in the blue box). |
| | It might even be possible to move AI-to-human diplomacy entirely to the start of the human turn and thus to remove the need to double check the preconditions (and this would improve the quality of the offers too). I've written and archived (not published on GitHub) a draft for implementing this. And I've briefly posted about it here (second paragraph). |
| 001f | Foreign cities no longer become unrevealed upon conquest by a third party |
| | When a city is conquered, it is treated as a new city, revealed only to the new and former owner, and any third parties that happen to have visibility of the city at the time that it is conquered. |
| Rationale | Hard to say if this is really unintentional. The BtS code explicitly sets the city to be revealed to the former owner. Were third parties not considered? |
| | Doesn't make sense to me that third parties learn about the conquest but not about the aftermath. |
| See also | I think, in BtS, the culture layer gives away the new city owner and the status of the surrounding tiles. <u>004z</u> changes that. |
| 001g | Deleted duplicate MemoryAttitude entries about Suleiman and all leaders after him in Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml (it's ordered alphabetically); used the mean when two values contradicted each other. Those before Suleiman didn't have duplicates. |

| 001h | Industrial bad health | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When a building leads to bad health with certain Only bad health that the city will suffer directly, i.e. | | |

strategic resources (Factory, Coal Plant, from currently available resources, is taken into Industrial Park with Coal or Oil), the Al assumes account, E.g. Factory counts as just 1 bad health that the city already has these resources when so long as Coal/ Oil aren't available. evaluating the effect of bad health. Starting in the Industrial era, so long as a city The AI does not aim at keeping a health surplus doesn't have power yet, the AI treats the city's available; just aims at balanced health given the current health as 1 less when evaluating the immediate effect of the building. effect of bad health. Increased the (negative) weights of bad health and food deficit in building evaluation. Hopefully no more (or only minor) population Al ends up building Factories and Coal Plants loss from bad health in Industrial AI cities. before getting Oil and Coal. If health is just balanced at that point, once Coal and Oil are connected, the city is at -8 health. The AI then shrinks the population gradually by 8 to avoid wasted food (more with Industrial Park, not to mention Poisoned Water). BBAI and K-Mod have largely rewritten the building evaluation code, but this bit works as in BtS. Rationale Treating health as one less should lead to some leeway for later bad health, especially from power. See also 160 makes Poisoned Water less dangerous, and 120e improves the AI response to that mission. Tbd. The bad health effects are badly balanced. Too much at once, bad health for no reward (Factory doesn't actually get better with Coal or Oil), punishing for tall

| 001i | Fog of war on routes | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | | The fog of war hides tile ownership, units, cities, improvements and routes. |
| revealed tiles, meaning that the waypoints shown on the UI can't give away fogged routes and that | | |
| Al plot danger calculations disregard unrevealed routes on revealed tiles. | | |
| See also | 124 prevents the Trade layer from g 128 sometimes prevents the plot da | iving away routes in the fog of war. nger functions from cheating with visibility. |

strategies. Shouldn't even be possible to build a Coal Plant without Coal.

| | Deleted two (K-Mod) calls to CvPlayerAI::AI_getNumTrainAIUnits because CvPlayerAI::AI_totalAreaUnitAIs already counts those units. | |
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| See also | 017 fixes a bug that also has to do with confusing these two function. | |
| Added a couple of isFriendlyTerritory calls – had apparently been overlooked when BtS | | |

| introduced vassal agreements (which allow passage even without an OB agreement). Al evaluation of Missionaries should be improved now. | | |
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| Replaced A | LWAYS_PEACE option checks in Al code with calls to CvTeamAI::AI_isWarPossible. | |
| Rationale | When both ALWAYS_PEACE and ALWAYS_WAR are enabled, war wins out. The (Vanilla Civ 4) AI_isWarPossible function sorts that out and also handles NO_CHANGING_WAR_PEACE. | |
| See also | 105 replaces getAnyWarPlanCount with AI_isFocusWar; that's a vaguely similar change. | |

| 001k | Al plot danger no longer (indirectly) o | Checks isMadeAttack |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| of being atta | checks whether a plot is in danger cked by a unit, it doesn't check unit has already attacked this round. | Vanilla Civ 4 did not check for an earlier attack; BtS added this clause. |
| | another civ will be able to attack on t | I turns, and the active AI civ then wants know if hat other civ's next turn; it doesn't matter if the ps the BtS developers hadn't realized that the e round of turns. |
| | | is; the plotDanger functions are called in dozens noticed it; some situation in which the AI clearly |
| See also | 128 doesn't always let the plot dange | er functions cheat with visibility. |
| | (Using the canBeEntered function framework) since v0.95. | om change <u>030</u> since v0.90.) No longer the case |

| 0011 | Fixed an inconsistency in the AI trad | e value modifier for gold |
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| See also | Obsoleted by <u>036</u> . Financial trouble no longer affects the trade value of gold. | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| trade value o | of gold regardless of whether a | When one side is in financial trouble and the other isn't, the AI can be brought to propose deals that it won't accept if the player proposes them. |

| 001m | Scoreboard gets updated when a leader name changes | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| (Alt + D), the | name is immediately updated on | The scoreboard isn't updated until end of turn unless the player manually closes and reopens the scoreboard. |

| 001n | Some potential OOS bugs fixed. (I've introduced my fair share of these bugs, but only |
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| | bugfixes in non-AdvCiv code are tagged with "001n". I'm also using that tag for some |

misc. code that I added for OOS debugging.)

The usual causes of out-of-sync errors in networked multiplayer are these:

- (a) Local code (invoked by user input) modifies the game state. All uses of the sync'd PRNG (SorenRandNum) modify the game state. Some Al functions have a bAsync parameter that causes them to use the asynchronous PRNG (AsyncRand) instead. Also tricky: Functions that cache their return value, in particular AI_baseBonusVal, AI_localDefenceStrength, AI_techBuildingValue and AI_obsoleteBuildingPenalty, all at CvPlayerAI; CvPlot::getFoundValue, CvCityAI::AI_buildingValue, CvCity::AI_neededFloating Defenders, and the Al plot danger and closeness functions. Most have a bConstCache parameter to prevent the cache write. I think the cache writes wouldn't actually be a problem if the caches were reliably invalidated, but the formulas depend on so many variables that this is impossible to do.
- (b) Uninitialized memory
- (c) Use of getActivePlayer in global code (not invoked by user input)
- (a) and (b) are also problematic in singleplayer.

Comprehensive guide by Gerikes about avoiding and debugging OOS errors: CFC thread

Overview by Afforess: <u>link</u>

CFC post by karadoc on the subject of OOS errors: link

Some posts by EmperorFool: link

By Nightinggale: <u>link</u>

| See also | See <u>007</u> (logging), <u>135c</u> (Debug mode) and <u>127</u> (Al Auto Play) about multiplayer debugging. <u>dlph.27</u> adds a OOSLogger component See <u>003g</u> about issues with floating point arithmetic. Open K-Mod issue concerning (a): <u>link</u> . I think <u>036</u> addresses this. |
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| Tbd. | CvPlot::m_abBorderDangerCache isn't stored in savegames and that seems a bit risky, though it might be fine. |
| | The AI plot danger functions cache some data. They're only called in synchronized code currently (except in Debug mode, and I've disabled these dangerous calls in networked games) as far as I can tell, but it would be nicer not having to worry about that, so a const-cache parameter or accessor should be added. |
| Config | I've left some code for debugging OOS problems commented out in CvSelectionGroupAI::AI_update. If an error is caused by the move of an AI unit, this will make it easier to identify the responsible unit. The checkInSync function could also be called from other (synchronized) parts of the code. The bFulloosCheck flag in CvGame::calculateSyncChecksum should be set in addition. |

| 001o | Military happiness only from units of | the same team or vassal/master |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Hereditary F military units | ears for its safety or that is under Rule can receive happiness from s only if those units belong to the as the city or to a vassal or master of | Any (non-hostile) units cause military happiness. |
| Rationale | Comes up rarely, but highly countering | ntuitive when it does. |

| 001p | Crash when loading a smaller game | e from inside a larger game |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Reset the d process. | ata of all cities early in the loading | The logic for loading savegames is partly outside the SDK, but the issue appears to be this: |
| | | Cities remain untouched during the first stages of the loading process. As general game data and civs are being reset, the UI keeps getting updated, based on data about cities that are no longer consistent with the other data. This can result in a crash when the camera is near a city of a civ with an id greater than the highest civ id in the game that is being loaded (CvCity::getMusicScriptId) but apparently also in other circumstances (CvCity::isVisible). |
| See also | This CFC thread seems to describe | the bug. (No one posted a fix.) |
| 001q | The price charged by the AI for an ethose with the embargo target. (bug | embargo was counting all deals of the AI, not just in vanilla Civ 4) |
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| 001r | Corrected AI computation of anarch bug) | y length in CvPlayerAI::AI_doCivics. (K-Mod |
| See also | 131 makes further changes to the solution live posted about this bug on the K- | witch-civics AI. Mod subforum: <u>link</u> (under No. 1, "Update") |
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| 001s | units are defenseless against land ι | pesn't seem to take into account that all non-land units (yet canDefend returns true for all ships ight (in K-Mod code) causes the AI to ignore ips. |
| See also | 139 further improves the AI code for | keeping ships safe from land units. |
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| 001t | decide to use a different path, even If this occurs, the AI now sticks to the | e in K-Mod: After declaring war, an AI stack may one for which no DoW would've been necessary. e original path (if it's legal) for at least one more oW will immediately enter an enemy tile. |
| Rationale | 1 | e problem than making the AI smarter; a DoW ous mistake, sticking to a suboptimal path isn't. |
| Tbd. | | best path; perhaps something in the pathCost /hatever it is, the pathfinder should anticipate that |
| | ar is imminent. Since these stacks ar | s stacks of non-city attackers move to an enemy en't supposed to start the war, this doesn't |

| 001u | Fixed: K-Mod code had failed to recognize units as obsolete when evaluating a |
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| | strategic resource that it didn't have access to yet. This had sometimes led the AI to |
| | cancel and renew trades for strategic resources (especially Horse) every 10 turns. |
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| 001v | Bugs reported by vedg (Igor). | |
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| See also | 046 and 905b address other issues He also contributed to one of devolu | (not bugs, strictly speaking) reported by vedg. tion's bugfixes. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS (presumably also broken in Vanilla Civ 4) |
| its religion in | agrees to change both its civics and a single trade, all changes are ediately in a single revolution. The s up. | Same if the religion change is added to the trade before the civics changes. Otherwise, only the civics changes are applied. |
| Rationale | See my reply to this post. | |
| _ | When a city finished a unit whose na oduction cost was paid. | tional limit was reached, overflow gold equal to |
| See also | Thread with the bug report. | |
| | | that part of the K-Mod code entirely. |

| 001w | UI updates ("dirty" bits) | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| changes thro | ppy or healthy status of a city ough a resource trade, the indicators Ilboards are updated. | Usually works – I guess the trade screen (not part of the SDK) does this? But not always. E.g., at least one time, an unhappy indicator appeared due to trades canceled by the AI and was not removed in response to subsequent trades during my own turn. |
| After a decla markers are | ration of war, cached waypoint updated. | After declaring war on a civ that the player didn't have Open Borders with, the cursor is shown in red when plotting a move into an enemy non-border tile. (At peacetime, this is correct – a move into a border tile triggers the declare-war popup.) |
| mode, the ce | nter unit of each tile (the one shown | When leaving Debug mode (also WorldBuilder?), flags of rival units sometimes remain visible on unrevealed tiles. |
| Corrected the | e yield display on unowned tiles with | a resource and 0 non-resource yield. |
| | "really small things" toward the end): updated when ressources are reveal game" The update works as far as I can tell | n <u>here</u> in the Realism Invictus thread (under "Yields on neutral territorium seem not to be led through technologies until I reload the , I think only tiles with 0 non-resource yield were |
| | affected. | |

| AdvCiv | BtS |
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| clicked, the unit selection list is updated with a slight delay. As a side-effect, this gives the main map the mouse focus I think; anyway, it fixes the problem. K-Mod's Rapid Unit Cycling option also seems to | button help text remains on-screen. Hovering |
| See also Based on <u>003r</u> | |

| 001x |
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| 001y | Fixed an issue with AI Work Boats being unable to find an order. BtS uses a |
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| | "temporary hack" to let such units skip their turn after 100 attempts to find an order. |
| | That hack is still in place as a fallback. I've reduced the number of attempts. |
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| 002 | Cosmetic changes |
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| 002a | Minimap shows lighter player colors than in BtS on water tiles (like in Military Advisor), and slightly more opaque colors on land tiles. No units are shown on the minimap. |
| Rationale | CFC forum <u>post</u> (also with screenshots). |
| | When Desert and Forest shine through too much, player colors can become hard to distinguish. |
| | Units: Can't make them out properly anyway, and can't tell how many there are because each stack is shown as a single blip. |
| Config | Switch in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. Also allows uncolored water tiles like in Civ 3. |
| See also | dlph.21 shows Barbarian territory on the minimap. |
| 002b | Increased font sizes. |
| | Shortened some leader names, e.g. "Augustus Caesar" ${\scriptscriptstyle ightarrow}$ "Augustus" when used outside of Civilopedia. |
| | Shortened "Native American Empire" to "Amerindian Empire". |
| | Added/ removed some tabs in Sevopedia's shortcut categories (<u>004y</u>) in order to repair the text alignment. |
| Rationale | People play on rather high resolutions nowadays, and the fonts don't scale properly. |
| | Long leader names take up (even) more room with the larger fonts. This is a problem for Native America because the text covers up the civics icons during diplo (at least on my 5:4 display). Would be better to use only short descriptions there, but that seems to be programmed outside the SDK. |
| Config | The font-size change can be reverted by removing the Resource folder and Assets\ XML\Art\CIV4ArtDefines_Misc.xml. This will also allow the mod to use any theme installed in CustomAssets (e.g. Blue Marble Gold). When a theme other than the AdvCiv theme is used, the FONT_SIZE_FACTOR in GlobalDefines_advc.xml should |

| | be adjusted so that the DLL knows ho | ow much text fits on the screen. | |
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| See also | 061 (improved help text for listing the adjusts the amount of displayed text t | units in a tile) is the only DLL code so far that to the font size. | |
| Credits | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | a look at vincentz's setup. This <u>tutorial</u> was dable package nor the code in the tutorial actually | |
| | 1 | I me fix some Vanilla Civ 4 and BtS errors in the errors were actually causing any problems. They also this conversation on CFC. | |
| Tbd. | Can't seem to change font sizes without defining a custom theme, which appears to mandate copying 25 thm text files. I was at least able to avoid copying all the tga files, which make up 15-30 MB – this would've been prohibitive for distribution. | | |
| | I think there may be a way to make this work by copying just one or two files, but I can't figure it out (and I don't think other modders have). | | |
| | Had to hardcode the mod folder name in Asset the custom theme. | ets\XML\Art\CIV4ArtDefines_Misc.xml in order to plug in | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| | kt shows aggregated information (e.g.) about units if there are more than | The threshold is 15. | |
| When info is separate lin | | Sometimes tries to put them all in one line, which leads to chaotic linebreaks. | |
| Rationale | Larger font means there is space for | fewer lines and less space per line. | |
| | Strangely, I can't find a way to make the LP_TEXT_MINIMUM_WIDTH doesn't | • | |
| See also | also 061 overhauls the unit list in tile help text and also takes into account the font size; the above only applies if those changes are disabled. | | |
| 002c | Added a couple of translations for K-I | Mod game text entries. | |
| Credits | Also merged translations by Zholef. I haven't marked these changes in the XML files. | | |
| 002d | Changed the icon of the specialist-commerce ability introduced by K-Mod 1.45 to show a Scientist; was Citizen. (Depending on which commerce type gets increased, the icon could also show a different specialist, e.g. Engineer for production.) | | |
| 002e | Disabled glow effect on units ready fo and foreign units. | or promotion except for the currently selected unit | |
| Config | "Unit Icons" tab of the BUG menu. (The "Promotion Available" option was not added by me; that's part of BUG's "PLE" component. While I don't want to enable it by default, that option seems sensible to me.) | | |
| Rationale | Too obtrusive. Players don't select units just to assign promotions; they select them in order to move or heal, and assign promotions at that opportunity. No need to constantly indicate unassigned promotions on the world map. | | |
| | | necause there is no other way of telling that a ns. Shouldn't be a secret either. (Rarely relevant promotions right away.) | |
| 002f | Changes to city icons: Defense icon moved behind the defense modifier; city network icon removed. Airport icon merged from BULL and enabled by default. | | |
| Rationale | Should be easier to guess now that the | ne tower icon isn't some status indicator but just | |

| | stands for the word "defense". | | |
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| | The city network icon is at best helpful in the early game, though probably not at all for experienced players (and inexperienced players may be unaware of the icon). Can always look at the list of trade routes on the city screen or consult the Trade layer. | | |
| | I haven't played with the airport icon yet, but it sounds quite useful. | | |
| Config | Option for the city icons on the "Map" tab of the BUG menu. The airport icon is in the <code>GameFont.tga</code> I copied from BULL, along with two other BULL icons that AdvCiv doesn't use (yet). (BULL does not have a custom <code>GameFont75.tga</code> , but BUG and K-Mod do. Looks like that one's needed for the smiley option of the Glance tab.) | | |
| See also | 076 disables the icons placed by the | "Detailed City Info" option. | |
| 002g | Changes to Main Menu (the one that | opens right after launching BtS) | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| In-game main menu is referred to as "Game Menu". | | "Main Menu", same name as the menu where you go after "Exit to Main Menu." | |
| Shown grayed out: "BtS Content", "Check for Updates" (in the "Advanced" submenu). | | "BtS Content" leads to an empty screen. The Update site has long been disabled – hangs for some seconds, then reports that the game is up to date. | |
| Rationale | Can't remove the dead items (handled by the EXE), so it seems that the best I can dis show the text in gray. | | |
| I had "Play Now! and "Play Scenario" grayed out at first, but "Play I descriptions of map scripts that aren't visible elsewhere and there's for some map types and scenarios (though a pretty bad one). Could rename "Custom Game" to "New Game (Randomized Map)" something like "World Picker" and "Custom Scenario" to "New Game think players are so used to selecting "Custom Game" that this wouln inconvenience. | | t visible elsewhere and there's a preview screen | |
| | | ustom Scenario" to "New Game (Scenario)", but I | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps rename "Exit to Main Menu" to "Exit to Opening Menu" – that's what it's called under graphics options. Could then replace "game menu" with "main menu" again. | | |
| | | s the "Main Screen" in game text as it's done in think of it as a screen, but "interface" is slang. | |
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| 002h | Changes to textures | | |
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| Credits | I've worked from textures in the <u>Blue Marble</u> (BM) design. | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | ВМ |
| saturation and all terrain text Snow and Pmiddle ground BM. I think reaturated the | e brightness, and color balance of ktures except Hill, eak, aiming at a and between BtS and any colors are less an either BtS and s quite a bit brighter | The BtS textures have bright colors. They're easy to distinguish except perhaps Coast and Ocean. | Much darker colors than in BtS; Coast and Ocean somewhat hard to distinguish. Also changes several non- |
| I've also adopted the water- | | | terrain textures that depict water |

| related non-terrain textures from BM to my color scheme. | | | (e.g. irrigated farm) to match the new color of water. |
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| green Jungle, light green | | Bilious green Grassland and Jungle, medium to dark green Forest. | Dark green Forest and Jungle, medium green Grassland that contrasts very strongly with river banks. |
| No changes to the texture detail, though reliefs might be more visible due to the lower color saturation. | | | More detailed texture reliefs. Makes Grassland in the fog of war and non-fogged Jungle a bit hard to distinguish. |
| Clouds disab | oled. | When zooming out far, passing clouds are shown; these clouds also cast shadows. | No shadows; denser, more realistic clouds. |
| the map. | | Civilopedia and the "Play Now!" | Adjusts these textures to match the BM style. (Compressed size: 6 MB) |
| | BM resource d also toned down and Silk. | World Picker screens for illustration. | Less garish textures for Banana, Rice, Gems and Uranium. |
| Roads light brown. Railroads from BM but with increased contrast for a dotted look. | | Roads dark beige, Railroads light gray, difficult to tell apart. | Darker Railroads, no change to Roads. If BUG is used in addition, the <u>I Love Asphalt</u> component (not included in K- Mod/AdvCiv) colors roads black. |
| Rationale | ationale I mostly wanted something that's easier on the eyes. Blue Marble is pretty good in the regard, but has some other issues (see above) and looks more different from BtS that it has to. I've also gotten the (compressed) file size down to 5 MB from 15 MB. The BM reliefs look kind of nice but more crayon-like grainy than detailed. | | |
| | All three versions let Coast bleed far into adjacent Ocean, which can make it hard to tell where the Coast ends. Probably can't be helped because the player is – apparently – supposed to be able to tell when there is an unrevealed Coast next to a revealed Ocean. | | |
| Config | Remove Assets\BML.fpk (renaming the file doesn't help) in order to use the BtS textures, or put a different fpk file in Assets (e.g. the Blue Marble texture pack linked in the opening post of the K-Mod thread (last paragraph). If BtS textures are used, clouds should probably be re-enabled through RENDER_GLOBEVIEW_CLOUDS in GlobalDefines_advc.xml because that switch can't remove the shadows. | | |
| | To modify my textures, BML.fpk has to be unpacked first, using PakBuild. | | |

002i Player color palette revised

See table below. The BtS palette is on top and the AdvCiv palette on the bottom. The empty cells happened by accident. The colors labeled as unused are only used as secondary colors (when multiple leaders of the same civ are in one game), and light black (lower right corner) is entirely unused. I've been less careful about making these colors distinct than about the primary colors.

Made a few colors like the Aztec's green (upper left) and the Persian's blue (top center) less saturated and thus hopefully less painful to look at.

Most colors shifted a little bit to make them easier to distinguish.

| Barbarians | America | Mongolia | Persia | France | Korea | Ottoman |
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| | | Portugal | China | Rome | Russia | Inca |
| Germany | | Carthage | Mali | Spain | India | Japan |
| England | | Arabia | Greece | Zulu | | Celtia |
| Babylon | (unused) | Byzantium | Ethlopia | Holy Roman | Khmer | Maya |
| (unused) | Native America | Netherlands | (unused) | Sumeria | (unused) | (unused) |
| Barbarians | America | Mongolia | Persia | France | Korea | Ottoman |
| | | | China | Rome | | 10.0 |
| Germany | Aztec | Carthage | Mali | Spain | India | Japan |
| England | Egypt | | | Zulu | | Celtia |
| Babylon | (unused) | Byzantium | Ethiopia | Holy Roman | Khmer | Мауа |
| | Native America | | | Sumeria | (unused) | (unused) |
| Config Remove Assets\XML\Interface\CIV4ColorVals.xml to restore the original colors. Credits Andy Langton's Hex RGB Colour Converter came in handy. | | | | | | |
| See also | 002a: Increased opacity on the minimap makes the colors a bit easier to distinguish there. | | | | | |
| | duckstab's btsColorEditor with its "Adjust" button could've been useful if I had known about it. | | | | | |
| Also made t | Also made the green of the research bar and the orange of the food bar a bit darker. | | | | | |
| Rationale | The research bar was unpleasantly bright and too similar to COLOR_POSITIVE_TEXT. | | | | | |
| | The bright food bar had made it difficult to read city names. (They're still not easy to read.) | | | | | |

| 002j | Changed the sizes of a few 3D models, especially ships. |
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| Rationale | The sizes had already been scaled by hand, but a few units appeared oversized, especially Modern Work Boat. (Of course, all units are kind of oversized, and I've tried making them all 20% smaller, but that made them significantly harder to distinguish.) |
| Config | Through Art\Civ4ArtDefines_Unit.xml |
| Credits | Inspired by Elhoim's <u>Better Ship Scale</u> mod, though that mod makes the sailing ships look like nutshells, and the modern ships poke across the tile boundaries. |
| See also | 905b increases the size of East Indiaman a bit because it's supposed to be bigger than Frigate. |

| Tbd. | Building scales could probably also be improved. E.g. the Taj Mahal is a bit small |
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| | ("Dawn of Civilization" enlarges it). But I don't want to copy CIV4ArtDefines_ |
| | Building.xml from BtS until I have more ideas what to change. |

| | Put "AD" (Anno Domini) before the year number in all game text. And removed the colon after "Turn" on the time display. |
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| Rationale | I understand that "1500 AD" is acceptable, but "AD 1500" is more proper. |
| _ | Option on the "Time" tab of the BUG menu. Can also pick CE/BCE there. Or edit the text keys in CIV4GameText_advc.xml. |

| 002I | Play combat audio based on player's era rather than game era. |
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| | I haven't checked, but, <u>apparently</u> , the sound differs for each era, and I think all erabased visuals depend on the (human) player's era, so it seems inconsistent to base the audio on the game era. |

| Shortened combat animations | |
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| AdvCiv | K-Mod |
| The base number of animated combat rounds decreases slightly with each era. As a result, the animated units die after fewer hits in the late game than in the early game, and combat animations per battle take about 30-50% less time in the late game. Moreover, on the defense, starting in the Renaissance era, combat animations are cut short, meaning that they usually stop before one side has been defeated. In addition to the above, when playing with the "Single Unit Graphics" option (SUG) in single-player mode, the base number of combat rounds is halved. | From the K-Mod changelog (v1.29b): "Combat animations are now orchestrated to roughly correspond to the events from the actual combat mechanics. (It still isn't a blow-for-blow representation of the actual battle, but events in the animation will at least occur in the same order as the events in the combat log.)" That is, the number of animated combat rounds is based on the number of entries in the combat log. In addition, it's multiplied by an XML-configurable base value. Looks like SUG doesn't affect the number of rounds, meaning that the two men are shown hitting each other for about 10 seconds. |
| Config GlobalDefinesAlt.xml (because that's where K-Mod's STANDARD_BATTLE_ANIMATION_ROUNDS is defined) | |

| Rationale | For attacks by the player, there's the "Quick Combat (Offense)" option, but "Quick Combat (Defense)" makes attacks against the player difficult to follow, and animating them takes too long in the late game. |
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| | Sadly, the speed at which the animations are played can, apparently, not be modified. I think the EXE consults functions like <code>getSecsPerTurn</code> in <code>CvDLLUtilityIFaceBase.h</code> for this. (<code>CvUnit::getAnimationMaxSpeed</code> is called during combat but doesn't make any appreciable difference.) Can only speed animations up by making units die after fewer hits or by ending animations before one side has been defeated. The latter doesn't look nice, but the former just isn't enough when large AI stacks attack in the late game. And players still have the option to see fully animated combat on the attack. |
| | Fewer hits per kill as the game progresses could be interpreted as weapons becoming deadlier. |
| | SUG: It looks goofy when a single Rifleman takes bullet after bullet without going down. I'm applying my change only to singleplayer mode because I'm not sure if basing the combat rounds on player options could lead to synchronization problems in (Pitboss) multiplayer games. |
| See also | Similar arguments in this CFC thread. Two users claim that SUG speeds up combat – perhaps it does in BtS; not in K-Mod though. |
| Tbd. | Could I just show the eventual victor knocking down all opposing figures that remain with one strike a piece when combat is cut short? Or approximate the combat rounds more coarsely, e.g. if the sequence of per-round wins in a fight A vs. B is ABBABBAAABA, show animations for ABABA instead. The algorithm could be to choose a target number of successes for the victor (at least as many as there are figures on the losing side) and, based on that, a smaller target number of successes for the loser. Then somehow pick a sequence that resembles the original sequence; perhaps start by preserving the true first and last hit |

| 002n | Flashing end-turn message disabled | | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| No flashing message is shown at the end of a turn. No change to the animation of the end-turn button, and no change to flashing reminder messages. | | Once all units have orders and all popups have been dealt with, the end-turn button starts to pulsate and a flashing message "Press enter" is shown until the player ends the turn. The Reminders mod component (Alt+M) replaces the press-enter message with the reminder message set by the player. | |
| Config | Can be re-enabled on the "General" | tab (column "Misc.") of the BUG menu. | |
| Rationale | Helpful for first-time players, but a little annoying in regular games, and quite annoying when taking screenshots. Newbies should still be able to notice the (subtly) animated end turn button eventually. | | |
| See also | 106l suppresses the Autosave messa | age | |

| 003 | Style changes and other refactoring, utility functions, comments about unused or otherwise dubious code; in particular: | |
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| | Went through all classes that I've found myself frequently editing, and made minor refactoring changes to improve readability: | |

Variable declarations moved to the point where the variable is initialized; <code>continue</code>, <code>break</code> and <code>return</code> statements to reduce indentation; variables named <code>bisSomething</code> renamed to just <code>bsomething</code>; removed (obviously) unnecessary parentheses; made comments more compact, in particular those by jdog5000; sometimes removed blank lines and curly braces around one-liners; switched conditions like <code>0!=x</code> around to <code>x!=0</code>; array initialization loops replaced with single-line initialization; <code>INT_MAX</code> and <code>INT_MIN</code> replaced with Civ's <code>MAX_INT</code> and <code>MIN_INT</code>, breaks in lines that are longer than ca. 100 characters (sorry – 5:4 display here and large fonts); removed the <code>xmlkey</code> parameters from <code>getBUGOption...</code> calls because the callee doesn't use them.

I usually didn't mark style changes with comments; when I added new variables or changed the code structure (beyond De Morgan rules), I did place an advc.003 comment tag.

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Macros TEAMREF and TEAMID added. For example,
GET_TEAM(GET_PLAYER(ePlayer).getTeam())
becomes
TEAMREF(ePlayer)
(akin to the functions in BUG's PlayerUtil.py).
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Macro PLAYER_TEXT_COLOR added to complement TEXT_COLOR; mainly used in CvGameTextMgr.cpp.

Added an inline wrapper CvCity::AI for casting CvCity pointers to CvCityAI references, one for casting CvPlayer to CvPlayerAI, one for casting CvTeam to CvTeamAI, one for casting CvUnit to CvUnitAI and one for casting CvGame to CvGameAI – though that last one is pretty much only useful inside CvGame.cpp as all other classes obtain CvGameAI references through GC.getGame.

Rationale

It's often faster for me to rewrite the code a bit than to make sense of it as it is – though fastidiousness has also played a role, I'm sure.

I've stuck to the (Systems) Hungarian notation, mainly for consistency with the BtS code, but I also think that it has some merit in this software design. Since objects are usually passed around through integer ids (instead of pointers), it's typical to work with an object pointer and its id side by side, and then eTeam is shorter than teamId.

In most of the classes added by AdvCiv, Hungarian notation isn't used though because consistency with the BtS codebase is less important in those classes. I had also started to use my own notation in BtS classes, but then changed my mind and renamed my variables according to Hungarian notation; there are still some remnants though.

See also

003g: Floating point arithmetic

<u>003e</u> (private copy-constructors) makes the cast to CvCityAI safer to use.

Credits

CFC user Nightinggale suggested the inline wrapper here.

Removed all trailing whitespaces in the C++ files, converted spaces used for indentation to tabs (also in the K-Mod Python scripts) and removed most of the spaces before closing parentheses.

Rationale

Shortly before releasing v0.96, I decided that it's better to make these changes once and for all instead of making them piecemeal along with functional changes. Irregular whitespaces are distracting to me when reviewing Git commits. For indentation, tabs were already used almost exclusively. It's especially important to stick to one way of indenting in Python. I haven't made further style changes in Python and none in XML because those files aren't frequently changed.

jdog5000 (BBAI, Unofficial Patch) used this style for his conditionals and loops:

Soren Johnson (and I guess most of the other Firaxis programmers) used this style: if (condition)

I've been using this style:

if(condition) {

Obviously, more uniformity is desirable. So I've converted jdog's code to the BtS style, and I'm trying to use my own style only in larger chunks of new code. In retrospect, I should've used the BtS style exclusively, but, by now, this is difficult to remedy.

CvDeal: Added a more convenient interface for iterating over trade items. When a CvDeal object and the two trading civs A and B are given, then the BtS interface with functions like getFirstTrades and getSecondTrades forces the caller to check whether A is either the "first" or "second" civ, resulting in redundant code to deal with both cases. The function names also give no indication who gives an item away and who receives it.

Tbd. Change the client code to use the new interface.

Merged a few non-functional changes from Roamty's Unofficial Patch 1.7 (<u>link</u>). Not marked in-line because the changes are too minor. He uploaded further changes <u>here</u>, but those are really just whitespace changes; nothing merged except for a bugfix (see "Roamty" under <u>001</u>).

Line endings: The DLL only uses line feeds (LF); I've run it through unix2dos (on devolution's suggestion). I think the original DLL also used LF exclusively, as did karadoc's code. XML line endings are mixed. Looks like BtS always used LFCR and so did I, but BUG uses LF. Well, at least line endings within individual files seem to be consistent. Haven't checked the Python code.

| 003b | Misc. performance tweaks |
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| See also | 003d: Faster Quick Load 003f: Function inlining 003h: Cache MaxVisibilityRange 003m: Cache CvTeam::isMinorCiv and getAtWarCount 003o: Some profiler calls removed 003p: Improve performance of layer updates. |
| | 045: Rival buildings hidden on main interface. 106i clear Hall of Fame data from memory when a game is started or loaded. |
| Tbd. | I can't figure out why these two (seemingly unrelated) functions are called much more frequently in K-Mod than in AdvCiv according to profiler logs: |
| | CvPlayer::canBuild — took up 3 out of 14 seconds in K-Mod; more than 2 mio. calls, and virtually no time in AdvCiv. |
| | CvCityAI::AI_updateRouteToCity — took up more than half of K-Mod's time, called at least 4 times as often than in AdvCiv, and took 62 ms per call in K-Mod compared with 1 ms in AdvCiv. |
| | Is AdvCiv somehow paying elsewhere for the time saved on these calls? Is it using simpler but incorrect results? Why is AdvCiv (with UWAI disabled) still not noticeably faster than K-Mod? Or just an artifact? |

Added an assertion that checks if XML data loaded through GC.getDefineINT actually exists. Found just one (unimportant) error this way and corrected it. Had to change some calls that happened before XML was even loaded; no functional change. For values that CvGlobals caches, there is still no check if XML has been loaded. I've added an isCachingDone check to every getter function and found only one issue (TechPrefs.py; fixed). Then I removed the checks again because they were a bit unwieldy.

| 003d | Faster loading of savegames | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When using Shift+F8 to Quick Load in fullscreen mode, the game exits to the main menu for a second before loading the Quick Save slot. | | When loading any savegame while playing in fullscreen mode, the game hangs on "Initializing" (doing who-knows-what) for a period of time that appears to depend on the complexity of the game state. Can easily be 30 seconds. This delay does not occur when loading from the main menu (nor when exiting to the main menu). |
| Rationale | | nown, though these three <u>CFC</u> threads are the tion it. It's possible that it only occurs on some |
| | My fix only covers Quick Load. Since probably all I can do. Workarounds: | the "Load Game" menu is outside the SDK this is |
| | a) manually exit to the main menu be | fore loading; or |
| | b) play in windowed mode; or | |
| | c) press Alt+Tab two times when the stage immediately. | delay begins. This seems to finish the "Initializing" |
| | if loading is taking long. I've tested th forgetting about this. But the recomm map, and this is misleading because replacement text also needs to be ve | text with a recommendation to minimize the game is and found it quite helpful because I keep endation would also show up when generating a Alt+Tab does not speed up the map script. The ry short; no room to explain that it only applies ave it at a regular loading screen hint (008d) that |
| See also | 009 is a prerequisite because it repai where savegames are located. | rs BUG code for finding the My Games directory |
| | 004m is a prerequisite because it ma affect the layers that are enabled afte | kes sure that returning to the main menu doesn't reloading. |

| 003e | Prevent accidental copying of objects | 6 |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| CvPlayer, CvTeam, CvGame, CvMap, CvEntity (base class of CvCity and CvUnit), CvInfoBase, CvScalableInfo, CvActionInfo (for the getInfo functions) and their subclasses are noncopyable, meaning that a line like | | Calls to the (macro) functions GET_PLAYER, GET_TEAM, getGame and getMap are extremely common in the code base, and new code has to call them all the time too. |
| CvPlayerAI kPlayer = GET_PLAYER(ePlayer) leads to a compile-time error. | | Such a line only leads to a runtime error, and one that is usually difficult to debug. |
| Rationale | C++, and I'm not going to make every | that comes with references as return values in y class non-copyable that is returned as a hese frequently used functions seems prudent. |
| Credits | Git commit by CFC user Nightinggale | e (We The People mod). He does it only for |

| CvInfoBase. | | |
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| CVIIIIODASC. | | |

| 003f | Function inlining | |
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| Tbd. | Should probably inline all the getTeam functions. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Renamed functions that only the EXE is supposed to call by appending the suffix "External" in a module definition (.def) file. The DLL only uses the inline counterparts of those functions. Removed the "INLINE" suffix from all function names. | | An inline specifier was added to some very frequently called DLL functions. Some of those functions are also called by the EXE (probably much less frequently), in particular CvGlobals::getGame and various getX, getY and getOwner functions. To avoid inlined exported functions (see the 2 nd "Tbd." below), two versions of each function were implemented, one for the EXE and one for the DLL; the latter had the suffix "INLINE" appended to its name, e.g. CvPlot::getX_INLINE. |
| Rationale | used in the DLL. (Now the inline ve | ke sure that only one version of each function is ersions are both faster and more readable than the why anyone would use the exported versions |
| Credits | | y alberts2 and Anq in the Caveman2Cosmos nat it was impossible to rename functions that the |
| See also | As for exported functions that miss a <code>const</code> qualifier: I've added new functions with the proper qualifiers, but haven't bothered to rename (Export) the old functions. (Note that functions with the same name and different <code>const</code> qualifiers can coexist.) The new <code>const</code> functions are tagged with <code>advc.003</code> ; see e.g. <code>CvGame::getGameTurn</code> . | |
| Config | The .def file is enabled through Makefile.project. Danny's/ Nightinggale's makefile had already supported .def files; only a linker argument had to be added. | |
| | ctions to make sure that the wrapper f | r and CvTeam functions; e.g. isAlive. Also some unctions I've added (see under <u>003</u>) don't |
| Tbd. | CreateExternal counterparts for the EXE to avoid inline DLLExports. From this article, I gather that the compiler will probably inline DLLExports, and my DLL got smaller after adding the inline specifiers, which suggests that inlining had some effect; – still, I'm not quite sure that this works. | |
| | in some way obstruct the recompilation | XE is ever released, then inlined DLLExports may on of the EXE. (Then again, if the EXE were ant to use a more recent compiler, and then |
| | compiling the EXE. The DLL by itself without _USRDLL; this wouldn't work for | rently, this gets disabled somehow when was probably never supposed to be compiled or the original BtS code (nor for Warlords, which s, and Vanilla Civ 4) because a bunch of inline remain undefined. |
| See also | Two posts by EmperorFool about the | _usrdll flag. |

Inlined some members of CvArea. Credits Adopted from the We The People mod (Swati-007, Nightinggale; Git commit, related Git issue). I don't think this is going to be a substantial improvement, even if it's done for more classes, but it's easy enough to do.

003g Floating point arithmetic

I've added utility functions for dealing with floating point numbers, and I'm using floating point arithmetic for most of the new code that involves divisions. It's easier to read and less error-prone than the iSomethingPercent stuff. I also try to round values as late as possible in order to avoid rounding artifacts.

When I decided to use floating point operations, to my embarrassment, I was not aware that this can lead to synchronization problems in networked multiplayer. That said, the std::pow function returns floating point numbers, and, in a game that's all about growth, exponentiation with fractional (subquadratic) exponents seems indispensable to me for the AI code. So going back to integer arithmetic isn't really an option.

Tests on a single machine with Microsoft's <code>_controlfp</code> function and different compiler flags suggest that OOS errors will indeed occur several times per game when floating point settings differ between players. It's not clear, however, how widespread such differences currently are. On my own hardware (desktop PC with an Athlon X4 and an old notebook with a Pentium M), there doesn't seem to be a problem.

I've added a test at game start that warns players when their floating point settings (apparently) differ.

See also My test is based on the numbers in these two Stack Exchange questions: 1 2

Tbd.

If someone reports seeing that warning, I'll experiment with _controlfp (don't want to do it blindly):

"At app startup time we call: _controlfp(_PC_24, _MCW_PC) _controlfp(_RC_NEAR, _MCW_RC) Also, every tick we assert that these fpu settings are still set: gpAssert(_controlfp(0, 0) & _MCW_PC) == _PC_24); gpAssert(_controlfp(0, 0) & _MCW_RC) == _RC_NEAR); There are some MS API functions that can change the fpu model on you so you need to manually enforce the fpu mode after those calls to ensure the fpu stays the same across machines. The assert is there to catch if anyone has buggered the fpu mode. FYI We have the compiler floating point model set to Fast /fp:fast (but its not a requirement)" source, similar advice, cf. MS library

The /fp:precise compiler flag could also help. And arch: SSE2 is currently used for final releases; not sure if that helps, hurts or doesn't matter.

Or perhaps I could remove the floating point after all, or at least most of it. Even for the pow function, an replacement with integer percentages could be written that supports only a small set of exponents and returns results from extenernally (spreadsheet) precomputed tables. That could also be very fast (not sure how well such tables work on the CPU cache level).

Would have to go through the (close to?) 1000 calls to ::round (about 500 call locations) and other floating point utility functions in CvGameCoreUtils. Should replace round with a function

```
inline int multRound(int iFactor1, int iFactor2, int iPrecision = 1000) {
return (int)((iFactor1 * iFactor2 + (iPrecision << 1)) / iPrecision); }
and perhaps a faster alternative</pre>
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inline int shiftRound(int iFactor1, int iFactor2, int iBits = 10) {
return (int)((iFactor1 * iFactor2 + (1 << (iBits - 1))) >> iBits); }

(based on this proposal by Nightinggale). These functions would also replace K-Mod's ROUND_DIVIDE function (in CvGlobals.h).

Should in any case add an integer version of ::bernoulliSuccess to replace any

| | getSorenRandNum(100,) calls. For readability and efficiency – won't generate a random number if the odds are 100% or 0%. |
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| See also | 001n also deals with OOS issues |

| 003h | Cache maximal visibility range |
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| BtS goes through all improvements each time that the terrain or feature of a tile changes. That's a bit wasteful and easily amended. | |
| Credits | Adopted from the We The People mod (<u>Git commit</u> by devolution) |

| 003i | Removed unused DLLExports and X | ML cache | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| Civ4Beyond Civ4Beyond have the "DI unnecessary Walker outpour | only functions that the EXE (either Sword.exe or Sword_PitBoss.exe) actually calls LExport" keyword. I've removed the DLLExports based on Dependency ut. Of course that tool can't detect code, so there may still be some DLLExports. | Functions called by the EXE have to have the DLLExport keyword, otherwise the game crashes when the call happens. Beyond these functions, Firaxis programmers have added the keyword to several hundred functions that they perhaps thought they might want to call from the EXE; and, in some cases, DLLExport was obviously added indiscriminately. | |
| added it to the | d DLLExport from structs and instead he individual functions that the EXE for cases where every (explicit) s called by the EXE. | The DLL also declares some structs as DLLExport. This means (apparently) that all functions of the class, including implicit ones, can be called by the EXE. | |
| For functions that do require DLLExport, if I have to add a parameter, I'm employing this pattern (ir the header file): | | When the EXE calls a function whose signature has been changed by a modder, the game (usually?) crashes; so DLLExport also serves as a warning to modders. | |
| <pre>param1) { return }</pre> | <pre>eturnType functionName(Parameter1 functionName(param1, defaultVal);</pre> | | |
| ReturnType Parameter2 | <pre>functionName(Parameter1 param1, param2);</pre> | | |
| defaultVal | Where param2 is the new parameter and defaultVal its default value. In the source file, the new parameter is simply added to the function implementation. | | |
| | Nightinggale; the pattern for overload uses it on CvSelectionGroup::can | ling a DLLExport I've adopted from karadoc (he MoveOrAttackInto). | |
| See also | See also These two threads on CFC | | |
| | Rationale Makes it easier to change function signatures: If if it's not a DLLExport and not virtual, there is nothing to worry about. Also makes it a bit easier to guess what the EXE does when browsing the code. Probably wasn't really worth the effort. | | |
| attempts to r | dvCiv mod is loaded, it never read or write to the XML cache. The | Short version: I don't think the cache works at all in mods. Long version (partly guesswork): | |
| 2 times 19 r | 2 times 19 read/write(FDataStreamBase*) When BtS is loaded, crc.dat in the XML cache | | |

functions in CvInfos.h are removed through a preprocessor flag. These functions are, most likely, (only) used for the XML cache.

is checked. (As for the cache location, see this
post.) A checksum is computed from some of the XML files; it's not clear to me which ones and – if a mod is loaded – which version of the files. If the checksum matches the one in crc.dat, some 18 or 19 CvInfo objects are initialized from civ4...Infos.dat files (binary format) in the cache, which is practically instantaneous. Otherwise, the CvInfo objects are initialized by parsing the respective XML files and dat files created from their serialized data and the new checksum. This takes about a second for the unmodded game, but can take a couple of seconds when a mod is loaded (especially if a debugger is attached).

The DisableCaching switch in the INI (Beyond the Sword\CivilizationIV.ini) prevents the cache read, but doesn't prevent the cache write. DisableFileCaching doesn't seem to affect the XML cache at all; it may have to do with the catalogCiv4Beyond Sword....dat files in the cache, though

Sword....dat files in the cache, though
DisableFileCaching doesn't prevent them from
being written.

When loading a mod: Regardless of the INI settings, in my experience, the cache is never written. Whether the EXE attempts to read the dat files written during an earlier (unmodded) launch is unclear. This would result in erroneous behavior (probably an immediate crash). Clearing the cache is a very common recommendation on CFC and other websites for players who have trouble loading a mod. It's conceivable though that these problems have been resolved by one of the official patches, perhaps by simply disabling cache accesses when loading a mod.

| Credits/ see also | Nightinggale; <u>CFC</u> (same thread as above) alberts2 has also removed the read/write functions from Caveman2Cosmos: <u>SVN</u> revision |
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| Rationale | The slight speedup when launching would be worth something to me, but since it doesn't seem to work at all and might even lead to errors, it's clearly best to make sure that the cache is entirely disabled. And removing the read/write functions shaves 100 KB off the DLL file size. |
| Config/ Tbd. | The preprocessor flag is set in CvDefines.h, and it's called SERIALIZE_CVINFOS. Fixing the XML cache doesn't seem like an impossible task, and the read/write functions would be needed then. Perhaps those functions could also be used for other purposes. I don't intend to keep them up-to-date though if I make further changes to the XML schema, and there might already be bugs introduced by AdvCiv or K-Mod. |
| | Regarding a rewrite of the XML cache code (I certainly won't do that): One would have to replace cachewrite (declared in CvDLLUtilityIFaceBase), possibly cacheRead, and CvCacheObject, and write a new checksum test. Text fragments in the EXE |

| suggest that MD5 is used: | | | |
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| Using XML cache, failed to find crc.dat file NOT Using XM | L | | |
| e, cur md5=%s, cached md5=%s Using XML cache | | | |

That part appears to be somehow broken in the EXE.

| 003j | Unused functions |
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| from the Exhad been a had been ownappers to ther, more out or removand not jure. | ppcheck, I've identified about 200 DLL functions that are neither called internally nor XE (see 003i above). Some of these had been in the code since Vanilla Civ 4, others added by the BtS expansion or a mod; some had, apparently never been used, others obsoleted by later changes. Many unused functions were simple accessors, mutators or hat might still become useful someday and don't do any harm – these I've left alone. e complex, functions had been entirely replaced by better code; these I've commented oved them through the preprocessor. If it wasn't clear if a function could still be useful st as a starting point for new code), I've added a comment or an FAssert (false) to ders (such as myself) that these functions could be outdated. (If they're never called, ros can't be noticed and corrected.) |
| Tbd. | To identify unused functions that are exposed to Python, one would have to run Cppcheckenable=unusedFunction one a code base that excludes the Python interface classes and look each hit up in a repository of all Vanilla, Warlords, BtS and AdvCiv Python files. |
| See also | kmodx – these bugfixes also seem to be the result of a code analysis tool. |

| 003k | Workaround for adding data members to classes for which a certain size is assumed by the EXE: CvSelectionGroup (see comments in the .h file) and CvReplayInfo. In the former case, there were comments about the issue, but, for CvReplayInfo, I had to guess based on otherwise inexplicable exceptions in the destructor. So this may be an issue for other classes too, but I don't know how to identify them. |
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| 0031 | Support added for ArtStyle-specific unit button graphics. This had mostly already been supported, except in the plot list (icons shown for units in a selected tile) and the Sevopedia. | |
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| Rationale | See these posts. Only relevant for mod-mods. | |
| Tbd. | The list of units shown by Sevopedia when clicking on the category "Units" still shows the generic button graphic. Can be fixed (in <code>SevopediaMain.py</code>), but would take a bit of time. | |

| 003m | Variables added to CvTeam for keeping track of minor civ status and at-war counts. | |
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| Rationale | Speeds up the frequently used functions isMinorCiv and getAtWarCount. | |
| See also | 033 could have a performance problem without this. | |
| | Perhaps remove support for minor civs. Could then remove about 150 isMinorCiv checks that make the code harder to read and wouldn't have to worry about minor civs in future changes. None of the bundled BtS scenarios use minor civs. (The Vanilla Civ 4 version of Earth1000AD does.) | |

| 003n | Make sure that AI attitude and memory of and toward Barbarians are never used nor updated. |
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| Rationale | The updates waste time and require the code that computes attitude to handle Barbarians gracefully. |
| | Code that uses the (memory) attitude of/toward Barbarians is dubious; it's helpful for future testing to disallow this. Doing so has already revealed some potential issues, e.g. Barbarian cities assigning fewer defenders in "Always Peace" games. |

| 003o | Removed profiler hooks from some very frequently called functions: |
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| CvPlayer::canBuild, CvPlayer::canTrain, CvPlot::verifyUnitVal | |
| | KmodPathFinder::ValidateNodeMap,::pathAdd, |
| | CvSelectionGroup::alwaysInvisible, CvUnitAI::AI_plotValid |
| Rationale | Apart from the last one, the total time spent on these functions is nothing to worry about, but I surmise that they slow down the profiler. AI_plotValid is called extremely often. I don't think it can be optimized much, but most of the calls are probably superfluous. That's something one could look into, but no reason to keep profiling that function. |

| 003p | Improve performance of CvPlayer::getGlobeLayerColors | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The help texts for the indicators shown by the Resource layer are cached and only updated when the active player obtains a new technology, a new national wonder, a new religion or when anyone completes a wonder of the world. | | The indicator help texts are (unfortunately) not computed when the mouse hovers over an indicator, but already (for all revealed tiles on the map) when a layer is enabled. Setting the GlobeLayer_DIRTY_BIT causes the currently active layer (if any) to be updated: indicator positions, colors and text. That bit is set when the active player discovers a technology, but also when a tile becomes revealed or when the owner of a tile changes. In BtS/K-Mod, the impact on performance seems to be negligible. |
| See also/ Rationale | 004w increases the complexity of the resource text computation, not that much really, but enough to cause a noticeable delay (200 ms, say) whenever the Resource layer is updated. The cache practically eliminates that delay. The cache updates match the information displayed by 004w. (Though I'm not sure that the updates guarantee that the text is never out of date.) | |
| Tbd. | The updates still seem a bit wasteful to me. Should check which layer is active before setting the dirty-bit. For example, I don't think the unit layer needs to be updated when the owner of a tile changes. | |

| 003q | Duplicate code in CvPlayer initialization moved into subroutines | |
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| AdvCiv | BBAI | |

| CvPlayer:: | code shared by CvPlayer::init, initInGame and the Change Player s inside subroutines (not duplicated). | BBAI has added CvPlayer::initInGame in order to fix errors that had occurred when a player was added dynamically, i.e. as a colonial vassal (or through a mod like Barbarian Civ). Comment by jdog5000: "copy of CvPlayer::init but with modifications for use in the middle of a game" That's about 100 lines of duplicate code. |
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| | | Then, for the Change Player mod component, parts of the init code are duplicated two more times. |
| Rationale | Some shoddy early work by jdog. Would've made adding new trait abilities a pain. | |
| | dlph.24: DarkLunaPhantom's commit message mentions errors that occur when placing a new player in the slot of a previously defeated player. | |

| 003r | Deferred UI updates: Added code akin to deferCall (BugUtil.py) to CvGame. |
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| See also | Needed for <u>004j, 085</u> and <u>001w</u> . |

| 003s | Macros for list iteration | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| FOR_EACH macros added in CvPlayer.h for iteration over lists of type FFreeListTrashArray. The macros useLINE to generate unique names for the iloop variables. | | There are 9 data members of type FFreeListTrashArray, but only 5 of those are frequently iterated over, namely CvPlayer::m_cities (about 200 times in the BtS code base), CvPlayer::m_units, CvPlayer::m_selectionGroups, CvMap::m_areas and CvGame::m_deals. |
| | | <pre>The iteration loop always has this form: int iLoop; for (CvCity* pCity = kOwner.firstCity(&iLoop); pCity != NULL; pCity = kOwner.nextCity(&iLoop)) { }</pre> |
| | | In K-Mod code, the argument is often called iDummy instead of iLoop, in AdvCiv code it's usually foo. |
| | | As far as I understand, this argument is not a proper loop counter. Those lists have holes, meaning that a single <code>nextCity</code> call may increment the counter multiple times. |
| Rationale | These BtS loops are too tedious (and error-prone) to type and too bulky to read. But the main point of the macros is to (effectively) hide that pseudo loop counter. It's really an implementation detail of FFreeListTrashArray (or rather its base class FFreeListArrayBase), and exposing that to client code is hazardous. | |
| Tbd. | | so far (one to be done for CvGame, one for in CvGame.cpp. I want to wait a little, perhaps also |

for comments by more experienced programmers, before I replace all the BtS-style loops. Perhaps it would be better to change the interface of FFreeListArrayBase or CvPlayer instead of using macros. In any case, I need to be a little careful when replacing the old loops; a small number of them *might* diverge from the standard form (e.g. with an additional termination condition).

A macro that allows nesting doesn't seem difficult to write either:

```
#define FOR_EACH_CITY_INNER(pCity, kOwner, iLevel) \
    int iCityLoopCounter##iLevel; \
    for(CvCity* pCity = (kOwner).firstCity(&(iCityLoopCounter##iLevel)); \
    pCity != NULL; pCity = (kOwner).nextCity(&(iCityLoopCounter##iLevel)))
```

But there are probably only one or two places where this would be needed. Variants that declare the current list element as const don't seem to be needed either.

| 004 | Minor usability improvements |
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| See also | Minor usability improvements 101 adds help text about occupation and revolts to the Nationality bar (city screen). 120c hides the espionage slider when it's at 0. 251 shows the start turn on the Settings tab when it isn't turn 0. 085 lets the scoreboard expand on mouse-over. 210 adds a few BUG-style alerts. 071 adds an option for notifications about first contacts (on-screen message or diplo popup) to the "Alerts" tab. 151 shows the previous religion or civic in messages about changed civics/ religions. 152 shows currently offered war trades on the Glance tab. 048: Combat odds help text (including some changes to ACO) 060 suppresses the add-to-spaceship popup. 061 makes the hover text for unit stacks on the main map more compact. 063 shows additional Actual Effects when Alt is held down. 064 adds BULL help text to the Whip button and allows hurry tick marks to be disabled. 064b adds overflow info to the production yield hover on the city screen. 065 removes the "Show Culture Turns" option; always shows culture turns. 106d changes BUG default settings for Civ4lerts and the scoreboard. dlph.30 adds civ and leader icons to the scoreboard (disabled by default). 066 frees up some space on the Foreign Advisor. 067 overhauls the BUG game clock. 068 lets changes to the BUG options for tech era coloring take effect without a restart. 069: Changes to the PLE component 070 replaces BUG's "Gold Rate Warning" option. 078 allows disabling BUG's GP bars until there is some progress toward a GP. 072 extends the show-deal-turns BUG option a bit. 073 Merges the trade denial hovers from BULL and revises the layout of the "Resources" tab. 074 excludes some "must-be-joking" items from the Trade screen. 077 revises the "Demographics" tab (Info screen). 076 revises the player options menu (Ctrl+O). 002f: City bar icons 011b: Tile hover for culture on unowned tiles |
| | 910: Tech hover text shows speed-up from knowing multiple alternative requirements. |
| Tbd. | BULL merge: Optional production decay info; parts of the "City Bar Hover" option; widescreen for Foreign Advisor; coloring of ratios on the Espionage screen (just use one coloring scheme; no options); and possibly (not yet sure what these do): GP Bar rate |

Breakdown, Zoom to City Details (Domestic Advisor).

Auto Save options: DLL code (just two lines) already merged; tagged with "BULL - AutoSave". Should take this opportunity to move the AutoSave to the start of the human turn in single-player mode (see *Tbd.* under <u>700</u>) and an option to make a second auto-save upon pressing "End Turn" would be nice to have.

BUFFY merge:

Unit starting XP (tie that to the Alt key; no option needed); possibly tooltip for Drafting.

BAT merge:

Some health effects from features but only the basics (list the cities where a chopped feature will decrease health or happiness; no need for an option); City Bar Tile Hover and/or City Tile Highlights if it's not too difficult to merge (to be disabled by default).

Platy UI merge:

Smaller leader/civ icons on Military Advisor; Platy's Religion and Corporation Advisors (but keep the BUG Religion Advisor as an option); enhanced Statistics tab.

Misc:

Show the turns-left countdown only when at most 30 turns away from time victory (instead of 100); inspired by RFCEurope.

Health from trait shown on city screen as "from Trait" instead of "from Civilization".

Settings tab (Victory screen) shows the initial number of civs and disabled victory conditions.

Announce when a tech that grants a free Great Person is first discovered. Credit: Civ 4 Reimagined 1.4.

ALT key doesn't show combat odds when hovering over one's own units.

The choose-production popup always includes the city name (BtS says "in this city" sometimes).

Peace treaties are canceled at the start of a round – players never have to do it manually.

The UI never shows damaged units at full strength nor at 0.0 strength. E.g. a Warrior with 98/100 hitpoints is shown with strength 1.9/2 instead of 2.0/2 (exact value: 1.96/2).

Overhaul of the BUG menu: headings, help text, layout, color palette, default settings. Changed some colors of the "Detailed Food Info" option through BUG_CIV4GameText.xml. Mainly this Git commit.

Merged some misc. hover text from BULL: Code tagged with "BULL - Trade Hover", "BULL-Finance Advisor", "BULL - Leaderhead Relations", "BULL - Food Rate Hover". <u>086</u> and <u>087</u> streamline that text a bit.

Upon closing the Military Advisor screen, the game forgets which players were selected. (BtS: Remembers which players were selected and selects the active human player in addition when reopening the screen.)

Tech help text on the tech tree takes into account the active player's context for unknown techs. Will e.g. not list the free Great Artist from Music if another civ has already discovered Music. Through CvDLLWidgetData::parseTechTreeHelp. This change does not hide any ability icons in the tech boxes. See also: I've posted about this on CFC.

The non-customizable Domestic Advisor screen shows a fist icon next to cities that can be split off as an independent colony. (BtS shows the icon only next to cities that can be liberated to an existing civ.) And the maintenance column shows costs including inflation (as on the city screen).

| 004a | UI support for the Discover ("bulb") ability | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod/BUG |
| | | The help text only says which tech the GP can |
| SHOWS all le | CHS that the GP will be able to | discover right now. |

| | an additional tech is researched, e.g. Astronomy (with Printing Press)". | |
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| GP Research on the Tech Advisor disabled by default. | | BUG's "GP Research" option shows bulb paths on the Tech Advisor. Enabled by default. |
| Rationale | For players who don't plan their bulbs usually suffice. I'd like to show only the | s (long) in advance, the added help text should ne tech tree on the Tech Advisor. |
| Config | GP Research can be enabled on the | Advisors tab of the in-game BUG menu. |
| a GP could | earch is enabled, info about techs that discover is shown in the of the Tech Advisor. | Shown to the left of the tech tree, overlapping with the first column of techs. This looks like a bug; the whole tech tree is probably supposed to move to the right a bit. |
| Credits | Idea from <u>RFC: Dawn of Civilization;</u> I've also seen it in <u>Platy's Tech Scree</u> | n, so perhaps it's his work originally. |
| Rationale | Want to give the tech tree as much room as possible. Some Advisor screens use the footer for tabs, but, since the Tech Advisor has no tabs, it's unused space. | |
| For each ty applicable: | vpe of GP, the following info is shown if | |
| | ence order: All techs that the GP could ly discover, sorted by priority. | • (same) |
| | at tech: Tech that the GP would tly be able to discover. | • (same) |
| Missing requirements: Techs that have a higher priority than the current tech and don't require the current tech. These are techs that will replace the current tech if their prereqs are researched. | | |
| | esearch: The tech that the GP would | • (same) |
| | e to discover if all techs currently d for research were already ered. | Techs with lower priority than the current tech for which all tech requirements will be met after finishing all queued research. |
| - | he help text a bit, though it's still not derstand I think. | Difficult to guess from the help text (and layout) how all this works. E.g. the "after research" techs are just called "Future Technologies". |
| Rationale | guessing that's why the BUG mod sh show which tech the GP would get if always true (because the current tech BUG info is complicated and mislead | essary to avoid certain techs (example). I'm lows the lower-priority techs. Or the idea was to its current tech was discovered, but that's not he could unlock another high-priority tech). So the ling. I don't think tech avoidance matters very probably have their bulb paths memorized or expreference order. |
| | be able to discover if one more tech i | make the player aware of techs that the GP will is researched through other means. Example: st (GSc) is Compass, the player can switch |

his/her research to Compass to find out that the GSc will be able to discover

Aesthetics once Compass is finished. This works the same way in BUG as in AdvCiv. But how to tell in BUG that the GSc could also discover Philosophy if Meditation was researched? AdvCiv lists Philosophy (and Paper) under "requirements missing".

| Config | Implemented mostly in CvTechChoos | er.py. |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | researched by a (e.g.) Great elp text on technologies. | Help text on a technology says whether that technology could currently be discovered by a particular GP. |
| Rationale | If the player does have such a GP, then the player can consult the Discover button of the GP to find out which techs it can discover. If the player doesn't have the GP, then, by the time a GP is born, the information may no longer be accurate. Most of the time, the help text is just distracting. If the player needs to know about bulb paths, he/she should consult the BUG Tech Advisor. | |
| 004b | Cost projections in action button help | text |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| shows how Advisor) will current tile. | kt for the found ("Build City") button much the Total Expenses (Economics I increase if a city is founded on the Does <i>not</i> project the gold income of r, e.g. from trade routes. | No such projection. Can only quicksave and sfound to see how costs will increase. |
| + maintenance vassal cities | | |
| temporarily + increased ci | naintenance in other cities, including those exempt because of disorder or celebrations ivic upkeep unit cost (from the +1 population) | |
| | unit supply and cost from the lost Settler | |
| Tbd. | Should also show free initial building the number of trade routes (predicting | s (Palace, more with Medieval start or later) and g the yield would be tough). |
| from feature All features While a Set | xt on the found button shows healthes, traits (Expansive) and freshwater. revealed in the (full) city radius count the is selected, the help text of any | Forests provide +0.5 health, Jungles -0.25, Flood Plains -0.4 and Fallout -0.5. |
| | ealth effects. on help text shows the projected city | City tile yield only shown once a city has been founded. Usually just 2 food, 1 production, 1 commerce but occasionally more. |
| See also | 016 changes the effect of extra yields 004h shows the full city radius when | s from random events on city tiles. |
| Help text of the delete-unit button shows whether the deletion will decrease expenses for units: supply, unit cost (incl. Pacifism) and (for mod-mods) extra cost. If deleting the selecting unit(s) will not decrease expenses, but deleting additional units would, the help text says how many additional units would have to be deleted. | | |
| Tbd. | difference in unit expenses doesn't a code. This is because the subtotals chow CvPlayer::doGold actually con | anarchy, some of the expense items shown in |
| 004c | Changes to bombardment [not strictly | y UI changes] |
| Can bomba | rd at 0 defense in order to prevent | Can't bombard cities with 0 defense. If a city isn't |

city defense from recovering.

Air units and siege units with the ability to ignore defensive buildings have their bomb(ard) rate increased to match the building defense. For example, when a city that has 100% defense from a Castle but just 60% from culture, is bombarded by a Cannon (bombard rate 12), city defense is reduced by 20 percentage points. Units that ignore defensive buildings see 48% defense, the others 80%.

bombarded for a turn, its defense begins to recover on the next turn.

The ability of Wall and Castle says "+... defense (except vs. Gunpowder-based units)" and those Gunpowder-based units have the XML tag IgnoreBuildingDefense. However, Siege units with the tag don't actually ignore defensive buildings; they only ignore the bombardment reduction effect that Wall and Castle also have. In the example on the left, the Cannon player would see 60% before bombardment, and 52% after.

Rationale

I wouldn't mind Walls and Castles having defensive abilities against post-Medieval units, but the implementation is unacceptable from a UI pov. By the Modern era, stacks often consist entirely of units that ignore building defense, and then the player only gets to see the defense from culture, which somehow doesn't decrease as fast as it should.

An alternative solution would be to show city defense including buildings when a siege unit is selected; in the example, the player would then see defense decrease from 100% to 88%. Not trivial to implement (can't just take away IgnoreBuildingDefense because siege units still need to ignore bombardment reduction), and my solution is conceptually simpler: post-Medieval siege units entirely ignore defensive buildings.

Tbd.

Would be nice to have the help text for the Bombard button state the bombard rate. And, clearly, Walls and Castles could use a buff.

When applying bombardment damage (computed as described above), the city's defense damage percentage is set so that the city's defense modifier decreases by an amount exactly equal to the bombardment damage.

In formulas: The damage percentage d_1 after applying bombardment damage b should be chosen such that the new defense modifier m_1 is b less than the present defense modifier m_0 . As in BtS, m_0 and m_1 are computed from the damage percentages d_0 and d_1 and the city's maximal defense t (defense modifier when undamaged):

 $m_1 = floor((100 - d_1) * t / 100)$

From this, one can derive the following equation for d₁:

 $d_1 = 100 - ceil((m_0 - b) * 100 / t)$

Defense damage is stored as an integer percentage, meaning that the bombardment damage needs to be converted into a percentage and rounded. In BtS, the rounding can lead to a counterintuitive loss of 1 bombardment damage.

Example: A city with a 60% defense modifier gets bombarded by 5 Catapults. 8 bombardment damage is taken times 100/60 and rounded down in order to convert the damage into a percentage; that's 13% per Catapult. After 4 shots, the city has 52% damage, i.e. is 48% undamaged. To compute the defense modifier, the 48% are taken times 60 and the result is rounded down: 28%. That's as expected: 60-4*8=28. The fifth shot, however, results in 65% damage and 35%*60% rounds down to 21% – the defense modifier has only decreased by 7.

Tbd.

Simply store the defense damage as the sum of the bombardment damage? This might lead to unexpected results in some circumstances, but I can't think of any. E.g. if a city constructs Walls during a siege, then subtracting the bombardment damage so far from the increased maximal defense would be pretty intuitive.

K-Mod

Al says "not right now" to peace when war is recent

AdvCiv

When a player tries to broker peace, the Trade Screen says "not right now ..." if the war is still too recent. The AI will agree to brokered peace

Says "we'd love to, but you'd have to ask them" instead. Often, both sides say this.

| with a third | civ as part of a peace treaty with the | (As far as I recall, peace could be brokered even |
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| human eve | n if the AI would normally still refuse | when a war was recent in BtS.) |
| to talk to the | | |
| 004e | Leads-to info added to promotion but | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The help text for promotion buttons lists the promotions enabled by the current promotion. E.g. "Flanking I Leads to Flanking II, Navigation, Sentry" | | Can only look this up in Civilopedia. |
| 004f | Disabled celebrations | |
| No celebrat | ions (We-Love-The-King Day) ever. | If a city has at least 8 population, no anger and no bad health, celebrations happen with a probability of population / 1000. The reward is 0 maintenance for 1 turn. |
| Rationale | nale Celebrations grant just -3% maintenance on average in a size 30 city, which is insignificant. I'm not even listing this as a balance change. Celebrations were potent in Civ 2 but already irrelevant and confusing in Civ 3. Something no one will miss who doesn't know it's disabled. | |
| 004g | Misc. changes to confusing help text | |
| See also | 062: Al diplo comment when canceling | ng a vassal agreement |
| "Our shared | borders spark tensions" | "Our close borders spark tensions" Too similar to "closed", and doesn't imply that they're touching. |
| "We don't li | ke you enough" | "We just don't like you enough" Sounds like this is the only obstacle – but often isn't. |
| | attacked a y: 22% damage." ne minus sign. | "Your x has attacked a y: -22% damage" |
| defense pe | rity defenses" message shows the rcentage without Walls/ Castle if the gunit ignores building defense. | Always shows the defense percentage including buildings. |
| happy" for t | ders on this continent are making us he Notre Dame ability. ged in English and German) | "Some buildings are making us happy", listed twice when there is also e.g. a Colosseum. |
| "The anarchy is over" in white letters | | In red letters, like it's a bad thing. |
| "We are afraid of their military might" when sponsored war refused on account of nukes | | "Surely, you must be joking." |
| Polar desert called "Snow" instead of "Ice". | | Both polar desert and shelf ice are called "Ice". |
| Help text of Blockade missions says that only enemy trade is affected. | | "disrupts the trade route so that no intercontinental trade can pass through the blockaded tile" |
| 004h | Highlight full city radius when Settler | selected; no yield icons |
| When a Sethighlighted. | ttler is selected, the full city radius is | Only the inner radius, i.e. the adjacent tiles are highlighted. |
| No yield icons are shown (unless they're always | | Even if "Display Yields" (button above the mini- |

| (To implement VisibleMoo CvUnit::is know wheth Nothing is h | ugh "Display Yields"). ent this, CvInterface::toggleYield de was no help. I had to replace sFound so that the EXE doesn't even her a Settler is selected.) highlighted if any non-Settler unit is nong with a Settler. | map) is disabled, yield icons are shown when a Settler is selected. The highlighting is based on whether at least one Settler is selected (CvInterface:: canSelectionListFound). |
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| Rationale | | elpful at all; it's not even a reliable projection of the some of the highlighted tiles could already be |
| | them enabled, perhaps, in part, beca it easier to tell which tiles are being v | rsonally, but I know some players always keep use icons on worked tiles are highlighted, making worked. I'm not sure if anyone wants to see the — I normally choose my city sites before even |
| Config | Two options on the "Map" tab of the I | BUG menu |
| Tbd. | When settling on a tile marked with a dot on the Strategy layer, it would be nice to remove that marker automatically. | |
| See also | 004b shows info about city maintenance and health when a Settler is selected. 009c (removal of Map Finder) makes room for the options on the BUG menu. | |
| 004i | Message about gold stolen by enemy spies says how much was stolen | |
| Credits | Idea from Civ 4 Reimagined <u>1.2</u> | |
| See also | 120d: The Espionage screen shows | the amount of gold to be stolen in advance. |
| 004j | Changes to "Regenerate Map" | |
| AdvCiv | Div BtS | |
| regenerated | In singleplayer games, the map can be regenerated until (incl.) turn 3. Exception: Can't regenerate after any civ has met another civ. | |
| Rationale | More convenient for testing, but, on second thought, regeneration past turn 0 might not be entirely clean. Regeneration does not reset the game, player and team objects; just destroys all units and cities. Also, it's not such an inconvenience to reload the initial autosave. | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps a full reset wouldn't be so hard to implement. | |
| At least I should try to get rid of the have-met exception on turn 0. Resetting the hasmet flags is simple. Years-of-peace and perhaps other AI memory starts to count when another civ is met, but that's not a problem on turn 0, and resetting memory counts is also easy enough. A human civ could immediately declare war, so I at-war flags would have to be reset. When starting in a later era though, various trades could be made on turn 0 | | |
| (DoM) scree | After regenerating the map, the Dawn of Man (DoM) screen is shown again, and the camera centers on the player's active unit. The DoM screen isn't shown after regenerating and the game tries to center the camera on the player's starting plot, but somehow this has no effect; camera stays at the previous starting plo | |
| Config | Optional through GlobalDefines_accorrectly (through change 003r). | dvc.xml. If disabled, the camera still centers |
| Rationale | Without the DoM screen, the player sees the old starting location slowly fade to black. | |

| I'm not sure if that reveals parts of the new map that the player isn't supposed to see, but, even if it doesn't, it's confusing. The DoM mostly obscures that. | |
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| 704: Other changes to the Dawn of Man screen. | |
| Removed Sea Patrol mission | |
| No one seems to use it; leaner interface is better. | |
| Would prefer to leave the mission available via its keyboard shortcut. That's not so easy to implement. (Shortcuts are handled in handleAction, which checks, ultimately, canDoMission, which is also responsible for the displayed mission buttons.) Should at least add an option for this to the BUG menu ("General" tab, "Commands"). | |
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| 004I | Fortify-Heal works like Sentry-Heal o | utside cities |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| city, that uni unit approad context, i.e. until fully he | | Units that are fortified until healed only ask for orders once they're healed. |
| only a techr | w mission SENTRY_HEAL, but that's nicality so that the help text can say healed" when in a city and "sentry" otherwise. | |
| Rationale | Fortify-Heal should result in the desir | ssion that is missing from K-Mod. My change to ed behavior in most cases. Units already have so to add another. BAT also uses a single button to the BtS behavior). |
| | | nic from BUFFY (a monocular on top of a canteen) ty, but I think this draws too much attention to ange. |
| tiles) are no | ntry (and units healing in a non-city t woken up by enemy units that start already within visibility range. | A unit on Sentry is woken up if and only if there is an enemy unit within the Sentry unit's visibility range at the start of the turn. How the enemy unit got there doesn't matter. |
| Rationale | to attack it or entirely unable, e.g. a sup once in such a case – unless the lit wouldn't be difficult to keep track of whether they move out of range), but an enemy unit returns, and a player is | ng around a Sentry unit because they're too weak thip vs. a land unit. Now the Sentry is only woken enemy keeps moving in an out of visibility range. If encountered enemies indefinitely (regardless of the player may actually want to be alerted when sn't really supposed to know whether a unit that or whether it's a different unit with the same |
| | land Sentries being woken up by ship | entry (Land)" mission to address problems with os. That's a much clunkier solution, and not really iv, Barbarian ships may well carry land units (see |
| See also | Depends on <u>003k</u> (workaround for ac <u>075</u> wakes embarked units up when | dding data to CvSelectionGroup). a ship reaches land with its last movement point. |
| 004m | Default values changed: Increased in | nitial camera distance, decreased field of view and |

| | enabled resource bubbles. | |
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| | Added a brief explanation of the field the BUG menu. | -of-view setting to the hover text of the option on |
| Rationale | I always zoom out a bit at game start, and I recall reading somewhere that customer research (on Civ 4?) had shown that most players play from rather far away. | |
| | Field of view: The lower the value, the smaller the field of view, i.e. fewer tiles are shown on the main interface and the city screen. If fewer tiles are shown, one has to zoom out farther to get an overview. This, in turn, means that the camera angle becomes more top-down, which is what I want. | |
| | At a field-of-view value of 35, I'm seeing just the city radius on the city screen, which is fine, but this depends on the screen resolution; mine is 1280x1024. There's K-Mod code in CvMainInterface.py that adjusts the field-of-view value set in XML to the screen resolution, but I'm not sure how well that works; players may have to adjust the field of view manually; see below. The initial camera distance may also have to be adjusted. | |
| | Due to the smaller field of view, I had to make changes in Civ4DetailManager.xml to keep the camera distance at which textures become blurred the same as in BtS. | |
| Config | Camera distance: Set in GlobalDefi | nes_advc.xml. |
| | Resource bubbles: Setting on the "Map" tab of the BUG menu. | |
| | Field of view: Slider can be enabled on the "Map" tab of the BUG menu. If "Remembe Field of View" is checked, the value on the slider is stored in My Games\Beyond the Sword\AdvCiv\Settings\BUG Main Interface.ini. "Field of View" can then be unchecked again in order to hide the slider. | |
| See also | 002h disables the passing clouds. | |
| | BUG developers discussing the creation of the field-of-view slider: link | |
| savegames | tly active layer is stored in s. If the saved layer requires Globe no layer is enabled after loading a | After loading a savegame, the same layers remain active as before loading. When loading from the main menu, no layer is enabled. |
| | ent this, I've added Python code that L when a layer is enabled or disabled | No function in the DLL interface for checking the currently active layer. |
| Rationale | The layer at the time that the savega saved game state than the layer that | me is created is more likely to be suitable for the is active when loading. |
| See also | A DLL function for checking the curre | ent layer was needed anyway for <u>003d</u> and <u>102</u> . |
| 004n | Arrow button next to unit icons on cit | y screen shows all local units |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | l click on the right-arrow button on the shows icons for all local units. | One full row of unit icons is shown when opening the city screen. If there are more units in the city tile than fit in one row, each click on the right arrow next to the unit icons shows one additional unit. If Ctrl is held when clicking, 10 more units are shown. |
| Rationale | At least at 1280x1024 resolution – and I think most players have that much –, even 100 units don't really obstruct the city screen. Showing them one by one is needlessly slow and complicated. | |
| 004o | No start-revolution button on the new-civic popup | |
| | res state revolution suiton on the new olvio populp | |

| AdvCiv | <u> </u> | BtS |
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| "No, the old picture." Exc that the play button is sho | -civic popup only has the buttons ways are best" and "Let's see the big ception: When there is only one civic ver can change to, the start-revolution own in addition. This usually happens ayer discovers Bronze Working. | |
| Rationale | | changes that could be made along with the one more than one civic becomes available at a easily. |
| 004p | No commerce breakdown on city scre | een if slider at 0 |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| commerce t | ing help text for any of the four ypes on the city screen, a breakdown nerce is shown only when the slider bove 0. | Raw commerce is shown even when the slider is 0. E.g. "Culture: 1000 ==== Base commerce: 50 +50% for Capital 0% of 75 = 0" |
| Rationale | | er to read, and could be confusing for new or der isn't even available at the start of a game. |
| | Don't show the player's total culture output on the Total culture output (sum of the culture rates in a main interface. | |
| Rationale | Not an important statistic; not worth being constantly on display. Even a bit confusing as total culture doesn't have any effect of its own. | |
| See also | 120c hides the espionage slider when | n it's at 0 |
| 004q | Display of relations modifiers | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | relations modifiers shown along with down. For example: | Players have to sum up the modifiers by themselves to find out the total relations value: |
| Pleased (+7 +1: "Years o | ') towards Gandhi of peace | Pleased towards Gandhi +1: "Years of peace |
| If not all modifiers are revealed (randomized personalities), the sum of the revealed modifiers is displayed. | | BUG shows the sums on the Glance tab. That's actually based on searching the attitude string generated by the DLL for plus and minus signs. Therefore also only counts revealed modifiers. |
| See also | sha reveals all relations modifiers exc | cept when playing with randomized personalities. |
| When playing with randomized AI personalities, unusually high memory-based relations modifiers only only one friend has been attacked are (incorrectly) displayed as just +1 or -1. | | |
| were – accid | v 0.96d, all memory-based modifiers dentally – hidden when playing with personalities.) | |
| Tbd. | The types of AI memory to which this | change applies are currently hardcoded in |

CvGameTextMgr.cpp. We really need default values in XML for all elements of Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml. Would be nice to do that through an extra LeaderHeadInfo element, but it may be difficult to stop the game from assigning that default personality profile when playing with random personalities. Would also have to indicate to the XML parser somehow whether an element uses its default value. Ideally by omitting the element. This would make it a lot easier to tweak AI behavior defined in Civ4LeaderHead Infos.xml. Currently, I'm tweaking some values that are the same for all leaders through the DLL: that code would have to be tracked down and removed. As for hiding memory-based modifiers, CvGameTextMgr could check how many personalities deviate from the default and decide based on that whether to show the true modifier or a modifier computed from the default personality. 004r Report resources discovered on unclaimed tiles AdvCiv BtS When a tech reveals a resource, sources in Only resources on the player's current territory unowned and Barbarian territory are reported as are reported. well, and there's a special message when no source was discovered or only on tiles owned by rival teams. Resources on the territory of the player's vassals are also reported. Rationale All sources could be interesting to the player, including those owned by other teams. but mustn't flood the screen with messages. The warning about no source probably matters most for Animal Husbandry; easy to forget to check whether Horses have been revealed anywhere. Economy ("GNP") curve doesn't count culture and espionage; yield curves show 004s moving average AdvCiv K-Mod The Economy graph on the Info screen is named Called "GNP (Gold)" and shows the sum of all 'GNP (Gold+Research)" and shows the net sum commerce produced by cities, including culture of the gold generated by all cities plus the sum of and espionage. (So far, as in BtS.) Gold is the research generated by all cities. This sum reduced by the sum of all gold costs, including inflation. Research is increased based on doesn't include any costs (e.g. city maintenance or civic upkeep). It does include (no change) all modifiers that apply to the currently researched gold and research modifiers (e.g. Bank, Library) tech: from tech diffusion and from knowing and commerce from trade routes, buildings multiple prerequisite techs. (Shrine) and specialists. All the yield curves show moving averages based All curves show the game state at a given turn, on three samples. not an average. Economy and Industry ("goods produced") When a revolution turn is sampled for one of the curves show a (very short) straight line for curves, a sharp, brief decline is shown. revolution turns. Rationale Culture and Espionage have their own curves. Both can reach far higher rates than research and gold normally do; e.g. a settled Great Spy produces 12 espionage per turn, a settled Great Scientist only 6 research. This makes it hard to tell from the Economy curve if a civ has a strong economy or if it's merely focusing on culture or espionage. A single curve for gold and research is OK; they're on the same scale. By including costs, the curve would essentially become a research curve, which is

| | probably more useful than some commerce curve, but then it would seem like a "Gold" curve is missing. Excluding costs is also consistent with the Agriculture curve ("crop yield"), which doesn't include food consumption. |
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| | As for research modifiers: Any modifiers that apply only to the currently researched tech (which can change any turn) are misleading. |
| | Moving average: The Economy and Industry curve fluctuate a lot in BtS, to the point of being hard to read, and removing culture and espionage (which rarely fluctuate) from the Economy curve makes it worse. (One cause of the fluctuation is AI juggling of citizens.) Apart from usability, the average is also supposed to obscure the changes from one turn to the next a bit. I can't make much sense of them, but it might be possible to derive some specific information, e.g. about AI war planning or wonder building, that the player isn't supposed to have. The power curve has that issue too; however, it might be confusing if the enemy power curve doesn't immediately drop after defeating an enemy stack. |
| | Revolution turns: The negative spikes are ugly, and confusing because revolution turns aren't always sampled when drawing the curves. |
| Tbd. | "GNP" is a bad name because "Goods produced" would have to be included in a GNP. Showing yield icons instead of the words "production", "culture" etc. would be nice, but it seems that the Python drop-down menus don't support icons in their labels. |
| See also | 077 makes lets the "Demographics" tab use the moving averages of the "Graphs" tab. That change also uses some of the same game text as 004s. 038 uses the GNP curve to determine which civs are "wealthy". 132 uses the GNP curve to predict the cost of anarchy. UWAI uses the GNP curve for converting war utility into trade value and vice versa, and the production curve for estimating military build-up. |

| 004t | Cick-to-exit-city-screen disabled | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The city screen can't be (accidentally or deliberately) exited through a left-click on a tile outside the city radius. All other methods for exiting the city screen work as before. The flashing text "Press <esc> to return" is no longer shown on the city screen.</esc> | | The city screen can always be exited through middle-click, left-click on the mini-map, Esc, Enter, Space, by selecting a garrisoned unit or by accessing an Advisor screen through a function key. Left-click on a non-workable tile also exits the screen; since the BtS expansion, there is an XML switch to disable this. |
| Rationale | Happens too easily by accident. Especially annoying when the city has just been given production orders because, then, the next popup will appear before the player gets a chance to re-enter the proper city screen. Apparently, the original developers wanted the game to be playable without a keyboard and with just one or two mouse buttons, and I agree with that – fortunately, one can still exit the city screen by clicking on the mini-map. Not very intuitive, but neither is clicking on an unworkable tile. | |
| Config | g GlobalDefines_advc.xml | |
| Tbd. | Option on the BUG menu? Would have to be checked by CvGame::handleCityScreenPlotPicked. Could also allow exiting the city screen through some other mouse action, say, double clicking on a tile outside the radius. | |
| Double click on the city tile no longer exits the city screen is up, a single click on the city screen. Instead, right-click on the city tile (city city tile re-enables citizen automation if it has been disabled. A double click does that too | | |

| | | before exiting the city screen. |
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| | | If a working city has been assigned to a tile manually, right-click undoes this assignment. |
| | the city tile afterwards. | After exiting the city screen, the camera always center on the selected units (if any). |
| Rationale | | the single click behavior will notice that citizens creen is exited in addition, the player may easily |
| | the city tile itself can't be changed. The when inspecting the capital through to over the capital first), then jumping be | o anything previously because the working city of the camera jump is usually annoying, however, the flag button (i.e. without moving the camera ack to the selected units is welcome. So I don't is, the camera would always return to its previous be implemented.) |
| | | en has been entered from the Domestic Advisor? Id work the same way as the other methods, i.e. |

| 004u | More info in message about Great G | eneral (GG) death |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| owner of the killed the GO | ge about the death of a GG states the e GG and the owner of the unit that G, and indicates the location of the een the two on the map (if it is | The player only learns the name of the GG. Can only search the Event Log for the birth message (if it hasn't expired) to find out the GG's owner. |
| | essage only to players who have met f the Great General. | Shown to all players. |
| Rationale | Debatable if the location should be in | dicated; more flavorful this way. |
| attack does Warlord by I Cavalry has | The regular message about a unit killed in an attack doesn't mentioned an attached Great Warlord by name, i.e. might just say "Your Cavalry has died attacking a Rifleman." Only the GG death message mentions the name of the Warlord. Both messages mention the Warlord by name, and the regular message says e.g. "Your Heinz Guderian has died attacking a Rifleman." | |
| Rationale | The BtS messages are more overtly redundant and not grammatically correct. The grammar is still incorrect in messages about a Warlord surviving combat. These messages are quite frequent, so I've tried putting the "Your %s1_UnitName" phrase into a separate key, but this would've caused problems with gender agreement in the Romance languages. | |

| 004v | Changes to scoreboard text | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | The hint about Ctrl for trade table and Alt for DoW are merged into a single line. Two lines of UI help, one above the line about worst enemy, the other below. | |
| Rationale | Cleaner this way. | |
| See also | 106d changes BUG settings concerning the scoreboard. | |

| In multiplayer, AI civs are no longer marked with "[AI]" on the scoreboard. | | | |
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| | Square brackets are for highlighting the active player. And it should be clear enough from the leader names which ones are Al-controlled. | | |
| See also | 155 color codes team membership on the scoreboard. | | |
| AdvCiv | BUG | | |
| scoreboard hadn't met a | When the option to show defeated civs on the scoreboard is enabled, then even players that hadn't met a dead team see it on the scoreboard. (The option remains disabled by default.) | | |
| Rationale | Defeated civs are announced by name, so this change doesn't "spoil" anything. | | |
| | Based on these two Kek-Mod commits (but implemented differently). (Not merged: "Player names of unknown players are also concealed during advanced start." I don't really understand the code or the problem it solves.) | | |

| 004w FAdvCiv | Removal of unnecessary help text | I | |
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| AdvCiv | | | |
| | | BtS | |
| requirements unique buildi starts a Gold | ng, if it founds a corporation, if it en Age, if it centers the map, if it's another building, if it can be built by a | Help text for buildings in a city's building list shows e.g. that the Palace requires at least 4 cities and that the Trading Post is a unique building replacing Lighthouse. | |
| many instanc | ces are allowed if more than 1 llowed, which is only the case for | Says e.g. "Wold Wonder: 1 Allowed" or "(National Wonder: 0 Left)". | |
| only shown in buttons, not a nd e.g. "2 Lo | ng slots for National Wonders are n help text on the city production on the list of completed buildings, eft" means that two more national be built in the selected city. | "2 Left" would mean that two more cities can build the given wonder. The number of remaining national wonders per city is only shown once it is maxed out. | |
| Show "0 left" in red when a wonder is already in production in another city. | | The reason why a building can't be constructed is normally shown in red but not in this case. | |
| Civiliopedia no longer shows whether a building appears for free when starting in a later era. | | | |
| Some abilities that require a tech are not shown in help text when the player's era is more than 1 | | E.g. Work Boat: "Can Create Oil Rig" shown in the Ancient era. | |
| behind the te | | "Open Borders to Alexander for Open Borders" | |
| | Active dual deals (peace treaty, OB, DP) shown as e.g. "Open Borders with Alexander". | | |
| Rationale 1 | This text is at best distracting, at worst misleading. | | |
| | The number of remaining national wonders per city is especially helpful for One-City Challenge. | | |
| | 004a removes "can be researched by a" from technologies. 002b (larger fonts) makes it a bit more urgent to reduce the amount of help text. | | |

History Rewritten explicitly displays the remaining slots for national wonders on the city screen (screenshot). Shouldn't be necessary in AdvCiv (now that the help text is improved). Help text for obsolete buildings in the building list No indication in the building list whether a of a city says that it's obsolete. building is obsolete. The word "obsolete" is only shown in red when a building is already obsolete. Otherwise e.g. 'Obsolete with Scientific Method" "Obsolete with Scientific Method" Tech requirement of Temple is shown in hover It's a special building requirement: must've been text. overlooked somehow. While I was at it. Rationale Help text for resources overhauled – some inappropriate text removed but also a fair amount of text added. See also In part dependent on 073, which merges the trade denial hovers from BULL and replaces one of the columns of the "Resources" tab on the Foreign Advisor screen. 036 also adds information to the resource hover text (only on the Foreign Advisor). 003p caches the help text for the Resource layer. Without that change, there would be a noticeable delay whenever the Resource layer is enabled or updated. 003b also improves performance a bit by caching the number of teams ever alive. (That number is needed by CvGame::canConstruct.) 047 revises help text for resource tiles. Help text for resources omits health and E.g. shows "+1 health from Supermarket" for Pig happiness effects from obsolete buildings, from already at the start of the game, and lists all buildings whose tech era is more than one era seven Cathedrals for Incense. ahead of the player's current era and from buildings that require religions which the player doesn't have access to. The tech to reveal a resource is only shown if the Will say "Revealed by Animal Husbandry" for player doesn't have that tech yet. Horse for the entire game. Tile yields of resources are only shown in Always shown, but K-Mod has added "on plot" to Civilopedia text and when inspecting resources clarify that the yield can't be traded. on the map. On the main map and city screen, the number of "(firpo has 1)" resources owned by the active player is stated as e.g. "(we have 2)", and, on the city screen, it's only shown when the number isn't 1. On the "Resources" tab, the help text for the export columns (cf. <u>073</u>) says how many The other player's resource counts are only resources the other players own. shown on the Trade screen. See also 074 excludes must-be-joking resources from the Trade screen, meaning that the Al resource counts aren't necessarily visible there. Tbd. For religions, it would be better to list the religious buildings under a single name, e.g. '+1 happiness from Cathedral" with all religion icons listed in parentheses after 'Cathedral" (all in one line). Eventually, I want to move the happiness ability from the Cathedral buildings to the Temple buildings, and then it would be better to show it from the beginning of the game, even if no religion has been founded/ spread yet.

For a clean implementation of this, the happiness ability should be moved to

CIV4SpecialBuildingInfos.xml.

When trading (Trade screen or "Resources" tab), the surplus health and happiness of the capital should perhaps be shown in help text. E.g. "Sheep +1 health (Rome has +5 health)." I think BULL does something similar but uses the smallest surplus among the active player's cities.

Help text for resources shows buildings, projects only tile yield, tech-to-reveal, active corporations, and units that are affected by strategic resources, happiness and health effects are shown in help so long as they're not too far in the future, obsolete or in some other way irrelevant.

The names of boosted buildings that are currently under construction are highlighted; exception: Not in the resource "bubble" text on the main interface because it's too difficult to keep that up-to-date (cf. 003p).

Rationale

+1 health from Grocer".

After removing tile yield and tech-to-reveal info in most situations, the strategic resources had only their names left. The new info should be helpful when deciding whether to trade away a non-surplus strategic resource.

When the city screen is up, the effects shown in resource help text are based on which buildings and units the selected city can produce. Buildings that the city already has are shown in green, and buildings that the city doesn't have but could have someday, in red, e.g. "Wine +1 happiness;"

Shortened help text for production modifiers from resources and traits by replacing the word "production" with the hammer icon and omitting the word "speed".

Production modifiers from traits are shown in hover text for building and unit buttons (e.g. on the city screen) if they apply, i.e. if the active player has the proper trait.

All production modifiers from traits are shown in Civilopedia (regardless of the active player's traits), but, on the city screen, only production modifiers from resources are shown. The impact of traits can only be inferred from the predicted production turns.

Rationale

The trait production boosts are difficult to remember, so highlighting them on the city screen is very helpful I think.

| 004x | Cancel redundant minimized popups; other changes to civics/religion popups | |
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| No minimiz | zed popups are canceled in networked | d multiplayer games. |
| Rationale | I can't work out the proper timing. If the multiplayer checks added in this Git commit are removed, then popups will sometimes appear multiple times. Simply adding a delay to the cancellation (using the setUpdateTimer function added for 004j and a queue of popups to be canceled) doesn't solve the problem either; too many popups get killed then. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| player choopopups are When a ch | ange-civics popup is launched or changed, all pending change-civics | When research finishes on a tech and no tech is queued for research, a choose-tech popup is launched and appears minimized at the start of the next turn (if playing with the "minimize popups" option; otherwise there isn't a problem). For each additional tech that the player receives |

When a change-religion popup is launched or the through e.g. tech trade before choosing his/her player converts to a religion, all pending change- next tech, another minimized populo is launched. religion popups are killed.

When anarchy breaks out, all choose-production and choose-tech popups are killed. They reappear when order is restored.

All but the latest popup will show outdated research options (not taking into account all the additional techs discovered). Once the next tech is chosen, any remaining popups disappear once maximized.

Similarly, multiple change-civics and changereligion popups can appear and don't disappear when the player changes civics/ religion through an advisor screen.

I don't think multiple choose-production popups for the same city can appear, but the single popup fails to disappear when the player chooses production through the city screen.

Rationale

I'd actually prefer to allow multiple change-civics and change-religion popups, but it's difficult to do this consistently as there appears to be a mechanism in the EXE for preventing multiple change-civics popups, it just doesn't always work. E.g. after discovering Feudalism, BtS shows only one popup for Serfdom and none for Vassalage (intended behavior I think, but I'd like it better to also have a popup for Vassalage), but when trading for, say, Code of Laws while the change-to-Serfdom popup is waiting, another change-civics popup will appear for Caste System (OK, but inconsistent with the missing Vassalage popup).

During anarchy and before the first city is founded, civs have 0 research rate and production rate, and the research bar shows the remaining anarchy turns even if no tech is currently selected. All game text that normally shows the remaining research or production turns doesn't show that information when the rate turn during anarchy. is 0.

The base research rate (set to 1 in the Vanilla GlobalDefines.xml) applies even during anarchy. When no tech is chosen during anarchy. choose-tech buttons are shown on the research bar. Game text shows the remaining research and production turns based on a rate of 1 per

When the Base Research Rate is active (i.e. once a city has been founded and while not in anarchy), the research rate shown on the main The research rate on the main interface shows only research from city commerce.

interface includes the 1 free beaker.

Rationale During anarchy, the turns to complete can't be properly computed, therefore, research and city production shouldn't be chosen. Setting the research rate to 0 makes it easier to communicate this, and makes sure that there is no incentive to choose research.

Tbd.

Get rid of the BASE RESEARCH RATE. Can instead increase the commerce from Palace by 1 or even 2, which will make Gold, Gems and Silver less powerful. That said, commerce modifiers in the capital would become even more powerful this way, so perhaps give Palace 10 commerce minus 1 for every other city, or 5 + max{0, 5 - number of other cities}.

When the Pyramids or Shwedagon Paya is completed, a change-civics popup is shown unless the player already had access to all Government/ Religion civics.

Buildings that unlock an entire column of civics don't trigger a change-civics popup.

When a new civic becomes available (through a technology or a wonder) at a time when no revolution is possible, then the popup is delayed

| until the pla | yer can change civics again. | |
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| | ame starts in an era later than change-civics popup is shown on the | No such popup. It's normally best to change civics on the initial turn – but easy to forget. |
| Rationale | I've forgotten about switching civics after completing the Pyramids one time too many. | |
| Tbd. | Should also delay change-religion popups. Could then, as part of an overhaul of the leader traits, restrict the fiddly ability of the Spiritual trait so that a free revolution is allowed only on a turn on which a change-civics or change-religion popup occurs (and perhaps once per era in addition). | |

| 004y | Changes to Civilopedia formatting; Sevopedia | | |
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| See also | 905b turns the "Allows" box in articles about resources into a "Units" box in order to accommodate the extra moves that ships can receive from resources. | | |
| Tbd. | Mongoose Mod may include some improvements for the link and jump code that I could merge. See the mod's changelog and v4.1 release notes. | | |
| AdvCiv | | Sevopedia | |
| | he width and height of the Sevopedia esolutions wider than 1024 pixels. | The code for the dimensions is mostly copied from the original Civilopedia. The size of the main panel doesn't scale with the screen dimensions. | |
| Tbd. | Some of the changes have only beer | tested on 1280x1024 so far. | |
| See also | CFC post on the current status. And another one. | | |
| Config | bWideScreen and bFullScreen flag | s in SevoPediaMain.py | |
| Items that have XML data only for technical reasons (Graphicalonly) are not shown in the Sevopedia; e.g. Hills are not listed under "Terrain". (Perhaps this is the only example.) | | | |
| Tbd. | I wouldn't mind listing Hills (and Peak) under "Terrain" – currently they're not listed anywhere –, but showing sensible information would take some work. | | |
| | In articles about technologies, the "Civilizations" The "Civilizations" box lists the civs that start the respective tech. It's shown for all techs a usually empty. | | |
| Rationale | There are other empty boxes in Civilopedia too, but this one doesn't have a self-explanatory name, so it can be confusing if empty. | | |
| On terrain improvement pages: "Improvements" box renamed to "Improvement Yields" and "Bonus Yields" to "Bonus Resources". | | The first box lists base yields and yield enabled by technologies, the second one lists special yields from bonus resources. | |
| Rationale | The first box needs to say something shouldn't also say "yields". | with "yields" for clarity and then the second one | |
| Civilopedia lists (when clicking on a top-level category like "Units" or "Wonders") | | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| Show production costs of units in help text. | | Only shown inside the unit articles. | |
| When Civilopedia (or Sevopedia) is accessed from the main menu, show number of required | | The number from Civ4BuildingInfos.xml is shown, which corresponds to Duel map size. E.g. "Requires University (4 Total)". | |

| buildings as | e.g. "Requires University: 4-6". | |
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| Also show o map size as | ther numbers that depend on the a range. | |
| | 140: Changes to map size adjustment multipliers. 008: Changes to Civilopedia content | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Sevopedia (default. | with alphabetical sorting) enabled by | Disabled by default. |
| without havi Sevopedia is the BUG op enabled unt about this to | ing Civilopedia from the main menuing started or loaded a game first, is shown regardless of the setting in tions menu. Sevopedia then remains il Civ 4 is restarted. Added a warning of the hover text of the Sevopedia e BUG menu. | If Sevopedia is enabled from the BUG options menu, the BtS Civilopedia is still shown when entering Civilopedia directly from the main menu. The Sevopedia setting in the BUG options is then permanently ignored: Sevopedia remains disabled even after restarting Civ 4; only toggling the checkmark in the BUG options menu twice |
| | doesn't list e.g. Ruins under nts"; only improvements that civs can d. | brings it back. |
| | Copied this bugfix by EmperorFool. I also had to copy his makeOptionId function. (The bugfix was later reverted, perhaps because it doesn't fully solve the problem.) | |
| See also | More or less fixes this open K-Mod is | sue. |
| | Would be nice to use the INTERFACE_GENERAL_CIVILOPEDIA_ICON instead of the commerce icon for the Hints and Concepts sections on the index. That would have to happen in SevoPediaIndex.py under type == "Concept", but can I simply use addDDSGFC there? | |
| Put a gray p | anel behind the list of hints; same sty | le as in the BtS Civilopedia. |
| Rationale | The white text was too hard to read o | n the beige background. |
| The box with the strategy help and historical background has the title "Background" and the historical background section has the heading "Background". | | , , |
| Rationale | Strategy advice doesn't fit under "His | tory". |
| Config | Through Civ4GameText_advc.xml | |
| Sevopedia categories for keyboard shortcuts and leader traits restored. Removed mention of shortcuts that AdvCiv doesn't support. Removed the trait button icons. Still disabled: Strategy advice for the traits and the category for strategy articles. | | Looks like karadoc had disables these. There is a GameFont icon for each trait shown in the list of traits (I didn't remove those icons) and a button icon shown in the article. All the icons are reused, e.g. the "Heal" action button for the Expansive trait. |
| Rationale Hard to say why the shortcuts had been removed. Perhaps be for BULL-only features were listed. The traits category comes which is tedious to keep updated, so I've kept that aspect disa | | he traits category comes with strategy advice, |
| | | useful elsewhere in the UI, but unique icons tly there is no hover text, so the Sevopedia trait |

| Config | To remove these categories again, it's probably easiest to comment out one or two lines in setPediaCommonWidgets (SevoPediaMain.py). Adding the TraitsPedia_CIV4GameText.xml file from BUG should suffice to restore the strategy advice on traits. |
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| Credits | The shortcut lists are originally <u>Ekmek</u> 's work, the traits Sisiutil's. |
| See also | 002b: Had to add/remove some tabs to get the shortcut info properly aligned. |
| Tbd. | I've only made stylistic changes to the English version. The other languages probably include some mistakes (because their keyboard layouts are different). |
| | The shortcuts should be ordered by effect, not by the key combination. People don't consult Civilopedia to check what a particular key combination does, they want to know whether there's a hotkey for a certain effect. |
| | Would be nice to add a subcategory for cheat/ debug shortcuts (see <u>007b</u>). |
| Opening an | Advisor screen no longer causes the Civilopedia button to be hidden. |
| Rationale | Hiding the button means that an extra click is required to get from an Advisor to the Civilopedia. Ideally, the Advisor screens should include direct Civilopedia links to all relevant information, but that isn't currently the case. |

| 004z | Changes to layers | |
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| See also | 009c (removal of Map Finder) makes room for the options on the BUG menu. 004m stores the currently active layer in savegames. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | rce layer always shows all resources; Globe view for filtering the shown | In Globe view, all resources are shown by default, and a selection box opens for showing only happiness, only health or only strategic resources. |
| The Unit layer shows all units by default regardless of Globe view. | | The unit layer shows "Enemies in Territory" by default. In Globe view "All Units" is the default, and several other options can be selected (still the case in AdvCiv). It appears that the "Enemies in Territory" option was added by the BtS expansion. |
| Config | Option on the "Map" tab of the BUG menu. The default option for the Unit layer can only be changed through the DLL (a hack was required). Can hide the Unit layer options through GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | |
| Rationale | The Resource options seem almost useless to me. Could make it easier to check which rivals have access to a particular resource, but I've never once used it for that. I'm less sure about the Unit options. Even when one is only interested in e.g. enemy units, showing allied units (in a different color) along with enemies doesn't seem like much of a distraction; after all, they can't occupy the same tiles. That said, showing only "Domestic" units is useful for locating Spies and Workers, though I think few players ever use this. In any case, "Enemies in Territory" isn't a good default option in Standard view as, normally, there are none. Makes it seem like the Unit layer is broken (help text doesn't say which units are shown). | |
| Tbd. | It would be nice if the Unit layer could somehow communicate stack sizes more clearly and not just in Globe view. | |
| When a lay | er without options is selected, the | The scoreboard is never shown in Globe view. |

| scoreboard | is shown in Globe view. | | |
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| Config | Option on the "Map" tab of the BUG I | nenu | |
| Rationale | Should be possible to access to the scoreboard in Globe view, e.g. for following <u>all-Algames</u> from a high viewpoint. When there are no options to display, the space might as well be used for the scoreboard. | | |
| Tbd. | Would be nice to have a button that toggles the scoreboard in Globe view. Currently, one has to go back to Standard view in order to disable the scoreboard. Above the giant flag button, there's still room for plenty of layer buttons. Doesn't seem trivial to implement though. | | |
| when the "A unless the u (UAR) is en | rce layer also highlights goody huts All Resources" option is selected unit action recommendations option abled. UAR cause huts to be when any nearby combat unit is | Highlights only resources. Tribal Villages aren't highlighted by any layer. If UAR is enabled, Tribal Villages are highlighted with a blue circle when a nearby Recon unit is selected. | |
| Rationale/ See also | Normal map scripts don't place a hut layer seems like a good place for hig | and a resource in the same tile, so the Resource hlighting huts. | |
| | Forest tiles. Don't want a UAR circle | nut 3D model, but they're still a bit hard to see on and an indicator bubble, but the indicator alone on Recon units. Therefore I've removed the | |
| Config | Option on the "Map" tab of the BUG menu | | |
| Tbd. | Even when UAR are disabled, huts can be highlighted with a blue circle at the very beginning of a game. One way to prevent this could be to make the Settler the selected unit at game start (not the Warrior/ Scout). | | |
| "bubbles") a | When in Globe view, layer icons ("indicators", bubbles") are shown at a smaller diameter than n Standard (non-Globe) view. Resource icons are the same size in Globe view as in Standard view. It might be that their size relative to the size of a tile increases with the screen resolution; one CFC user describes the icons as "ridiculously big at 1920x1200". (link) | | |
| Rationale | Unfortunately, there appears to be no Shrinking them in Globe view is better | way to shrink the indicators in Standard view. er than nothing. | |
| | Based on asaf's Fourth Yield mod, it might — with a lot of work — be possible to show the resource icons as overlayed symbols like the Yield Display, but I've made a mockup and it looked uglier and less functional than the large bubbles. One remote possibility that I haven't really looked into: Using CvDLLFlagEntityIFaceBase to place smaller resource icons on flag poles. | | |
| according to | ayer colors all revealed tiles the trade network grouping except small groups like water tiles enclosed. | The Trade layer colors only tiles owned by the (human) player's team. | |
| not fogged) | are actively visible to the player (i.e. and not connected to their owner's marked in black. | No special marker for disconnected cities. | |
| Rationale | I think this layer is used (if ever) for getting a better understanding of the trade group rules. Showing trade along unowned coasts (with Sailing) should be an improvement it would be nice if the layer could also show the trade networks of rivals – in BtS, the coloring is entirely based on the player's civ. The problem with showing rival network | | |

| | is that it can give away information about unrevealed coastlines and routes. Therefore, I'm only providing info about currently visible cities. The black mark should be helpful for verifying that an enemy city has been cut off from the capital, e.g. through a naval blockade. | | |
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| See also | 124 allows only revealed routes to carry trade. Without this, the Trade layer coloring of tiles owned by other civs would give away routes on fogged tiles. | | |
| Config | GlobalDefines_advc.xml | | |
| units is call show a nor units are p based on a | | Called "Domestics". Some commented-out code suggests that, in some earlier version (Warlords?), only units within the active player's borders were shown, but BtS highlights all tiles with visible non-military units. The plot indicator on a highlighted tile shows the tile's top defender. That's a military unit when the tiles contains both military and non-military units. | |
| Rationale | The name "Domestics" doesn't fit anymore in BtS, and it shouldn't show bubbles with military units – it's counterintuitive and makes it difficult to locate Spies (which are usually in cities together with military units). | | |
| color of the | tiles, the culture layer uses only the last known owner at a fixed (alpha value). | The culture layer doesn't distinguish between fogged and actively visible tiles. Shows the colors of up to four civs that have culture in the tile. The brightness is set based on the culture values. Outside the culture layer, culture percentages are shown in hover text for actively visible tiles, whereas, for fogged tiles, only the last known owner is indicated (through cultural borders). | |
| Rationale | There's no need for letting the culture fact, the map looks tidier with mono-c | e layer (partially) bypass the fog-of-war rules. In colored tiles in the fog of war. | |
| | , , | age (say, 20%) should grant visibility. Then again, a civilization wouldn't know all the places that the spread to. | |
| See also | | led city after conquest by a third party. In that vealing cultural ownership in fogged tiles. | |
| Tbd. | Add indicator bubbles for (actively visible) cities with a positive revolt chance (icon <code>civics_popup.dds?</code>), cities in occupation (that orange fist icon), with hover text stating the revolt probability and occupation countdown, and cities relevant for culture victory (how to measure that?), especially foreign cities, which aren't covered by the Domestic Advisor. Would have to review the code that sets the globe layers dirty-bit (see <code>003p</code>). | | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod | |
| even if that | e layer shows the tile owner's color t civ has less than 20% tile culture, e.g conquering a faraway city. | Only the colors of civs with at least 20% tile culture are shown. | |
| Rationale | | view (and can't be shown through the SDK), the ght territories in Globe view. Too easy to overlook shown entirely in other civs' colors. | |
| See also | 099f shows culture on unowned tiles in tile hover. | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |

| When the culture of multiple civs is displayed on a tile (see conditions above), the colored area of each civ corresponds to that civ's culture percentage. For example, a tile that is 75% Egyptian and 25% Japanese is shown as 3 parts yellow and 1 part red. | | with ties broken in favor of the lower civ id. The percentages are only indicated through brightness. |
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| Rationale | The differences in brightness are very subtle, almost useless really for multi-colored tiles. After my change, it's easy to tell which tiles are contested, and which ones have only a significant minority culture. | |
| Credits | Prompted by this old CFC succession game. <u>Several players</u> complained about the culture layer in K-Mod. | |

| 005 | Minor flavor changes | | |
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| "Sumeria" c | 'Sumeria" changed to "Sumer" | | |
| Rationale | Seems to be much more common (also in German and Italian). Wiktionary lists "Sumeria" only as "(archaic, poetic) Sumer." And brevity is always good. | | |
| 005a | Leader personality tweaks | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| While he even colonies, he w alone Asia): "T | djacentLandPercent=2 for Bismarck. tually gave up his reluctance to off-shore as never keen on distant parts of Europe (let The Balkans are not worth the healthy bones meranian grenadier." The Realism Invictus s it to 4. | Was 0. It's a preference for long-distance land wars, ranging between 0 and 4. 0 means Bismarck treats neighboring civs no different from other civs on the same continent when it comes to war planning. | |
| Cautious (real) weight for diplo domination vic | nis attitude threshold for defensive pacts to politik, Triple Alliance), and increased his omatic victory and lowered the one for story. Conversely, gave Brennus higher weight and lowered weight for diplo. | Threshold is at Pleased, like most other leaders. Victory condition weights have been added by BBAI. I don't think they actually have a big impact on the game. | |
| weights from c Added a bit of his conquest w diplomacy a bi MaxWarDista | it (further minor changes): Shifted Catherine's conquest toward domination and science. science weight to Ramesses, and reduced weight. Increased Saladin's weight for it at the expense of conquest and space. AntPowerRatio=70 for Napoleon. ance fought few off-shore wars and even na to the US. | Was 100. A preference for naval war. Napoleon is tied for the highest value, while his MaxWarNearbyPowerRatio (land wars) is only moderate. Was 1 and 3 respectively. | |
| and Cyrus. Ch | djacentLandPercent=2 for Charlemagne larlemagne extended his borders gradually in Cyrus conquered several empires that weren't doorstep. | | |
| "total" wars. In character for the doing a bit too more so than callso shifted his and made him increased Now Increased Roo 100 and at Callto 25. Decreased | 50 for Willem, i.e. now a bit less willing to star part, because wars of conquest seem out of he small Netherlands; in part, because he's well in AdvCiv games in my experience (and other Financial leaders). It is victory weight a bit from Conquest to Culture a little less interested in dogpile wars. And arAttitude when Pleased to 90. Desevelt's NoWarAttitudeProb at Pleased to utious to 70 but increased his BuildUnitProb and for Darius at Pleased to 90. | Was 80, tied for the lowest value with Alexander, Louis, Mao, Montezuma, Qin, Victoria. 90 is the same as the other 19 leaders who attack when Pleased Was 90 at Pleased, 50 at Cautious, 20 BuildUnitProb. Was 70 (Brennus, Cautious) and 100 (Darius, Pleased). | |

Suryvarman's favorite religion is Hinduism, primary flavor is Religion and fav. civic Caste System. He was a Hindu and built large temples.

Overhauled Unit AI weight modifiers and reduced their impact to at most +50% per Unit AI type. And two small accompanying changes to CvPlayerAI::AI unitValue.

Also overhauled Al improvement weight modifiers and increased their impact to up to 30% per improvement type.

See also: 131 makes minor changes to AI_bestUnit, and AI_getImprovementValue (both in CvCityAI.cpp), the functions that apply the weight modifiers.

Buddhism. Some later Khmer kings were Buddhists.
Primary Gold, secondary Culture. Gandhi is the only Hindu.
Fav. civic: Organized Religion; Wang Kon is the only Caste
System fan.

Each leader (except Hatshepsut) has 100% weight bonus for one particular Unit AI type, namely Worker (Pacal, Frederick, Gandhi), Explorer (Mansa Musa), Attack (Alexander, Brennus, Cyrus, Hannibal, Justinian, Montezuma, Peter), Attack City (Augustus, Chalemagne, Kublai Khan, Louis, Suleiman), Counter (Catherine, Julius, Napoleon, Roosevelt, Saladin, Wang Kon, Willem), City Counter (Darius, Huayna Capac, Lincoln, Tokugawa), City Defense (Churchill, Gilgamesh, Hammurabi, Sitting Bull, Zara Yaqob), Reserve (Asoka, Ramesses, Suryavarman, Washington), Pillage (Boudica, Genghis Khan, Mao, Shaka), Collateral (Bismarck, Mehmed, Qin), Attack Sea (Isabella, Pericles, Peter), Reserve Sea (Victoria), Assault Sea (Ragnar), Explore Sea (Elizabeth, Joao), ICBM (De Gaulle).

31 leaders have 10% weight bonuses for one or two improvements, namely Farm (Bismarck, De Gaulle, Shaka), Farm & Windmill (Brennus, Boudica, Churchill, Elizabeth, Willem, Napoleon, Peter, Pericles, Cyrus, Hammurabi, Mehmed, Suleiman, Isabella, Joao, Pacal, Washington), Cottage...Town (Darius, Frederick, Huayna Capac, Ragnar, Victoria, Wang Kon), Cottage...Town & Windmill (Gandhi, Hannibal, Lincoln, Mansa Musa), Workshop & Watermill (Mao, Stalin).

Rationale

Roosevelt change: 90/50 NoWarAttitudeProb is the same as the Mongol leaders or Napoleon. Some peaceful leaders like Mansa Musa and Elizabeth also have it, but along with a low BuildUnitProb. This makes for leaders that are ruthless but powerless. This doesn't fit for Roosevelt at all. He's the leader most representative of the present-day America that doesn't invade partners, but has a big military. Changed Brennus and Darius to keep the overall balance. I don't know if that balance is exactly right, but if anything there are too many leaders that don't normally attack at Pleased.

Suryavarman's fav. civic: Asking others to change into Organized Religion (or Theocracy, Pacifism) generally doesn't make much sense unless the state religions happen to match. This was especially annoying in Sury's case because his change-civics requests apply a -2 relations penalty when rebuked.

Unit AI weights: Doubling the weight seems extreme, and, for most leaders, a preference for a particular Unit AI type doesn't even make much sense. See <code>civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml</code> for the new weights and some handwave rationales. I've tried to avoid reinforcing the AI type(s) of the unique units because the AI already trains these more frequently than the unit stats would justify. About Worker weights, note that Workers are rarely trained through <code>AI_bestUnit</code>, so these have very little impact. This may also apply to other unusual bonuses (e.g. Spy).

Improvement weights: I can't make much sense of the BtS weights. Looks like the Al didn't build enough Windmills and the developers decided to amend this through weights for all civs that have ever built windmills. This reason should be obsolete because of K-Mod changes in the DLL, and 10% is very little (it said 20% in XML, but the DLL halved that). I've given most leaders two 20% bonuses (no longer halved), and some a single bonus of 30%. The impact of these bonuses still seems very small, perhaps too small. The choice of the improvement is now vaguely based on the leaders' historical policies. I didn't take into account whether an improvement supports a leader's traits, favorite civics or playstyle; the DLL can handle that, and I don't want to make the playstyles (even) more predetermined.

| Tbd. | Considering (low-key) changes to make certain leaders more distinct, improve historicity and to increase the number of warlike leaders. Under consideration for becoming more dangerous: Augustus, Brennus, Cyrus, Darius, Churchill, Frederick, Hammurabi, Justinian, Ramesses. | |
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| | Willem is still too aggressive. May ne interested in culture and only slightly | eed a thorough overhaul to become a small civ feisty. |
| Increased cap for the relations penalty from shared borders to 3 for Mao, Stalin and Darius, and decreased the cap to 3 for Qin and to 2 for Roosevelt. | | 2 for Mao, Stalin and Darius, 4 for Qin, 3 for Roosevelt. The cap is between 1 (only Willem has this value) and 4 (most of the typical warmongers). |
| Rationale | Modern China has plenty of border problems with pretty much all its neighbors. In Mao's time, border tensions with the Soviet Union escalated. Stalin was impossible to get along with for his western neighbors. I'd set both caps to 4, but that change would be a bit drastic. Both Persian kings invaded most of their neighbors, but let's keep Cyrus somewhat peaceable for now. To counter the increased caps, I've reduced Roosevelt (I don't see why he should be particularly sensitive about border tiles) and Qin. The Qin dynasty secured its northern border with the Wall, but that doesn't quite justify a cap of 4. And it's strange to give Qin a higher cap than Mao. | |
| Partially red divisors. | vised the CONTACT_DEMAND_TRIBUTE | A high divisor means that the AI leader is unlikely to demand tribute. |
| Ragnar, Me Brennus se | ehmed, Shaka, Kublai Khan and et to 25. | All five 1000. |
| Montezuma | a set to 50. | 25 |
| Charlemagne, Wang Kon, Hammurabi, Gilgamesh, Suryavarman, Joao, Julius Caesar, Napoleon and Genghis Khan set to 250. 1000, 1000, 500, 500, 50, 50, 25, 25 respectively. | | 500, 500, 500, |
| Louis set to | 500. | 50 |
| Catherine s | set to 750. | 50 |
| De Gaulle, | Sitting Bull and Isabella set to 1000. | 25, 25 and 50. |
| Rationale | For change <u>079</u> (bragging about units based on the demand-tribute divisor), I'd like early warmongers to have a low divisor so that they blab. That said, the divisors also need to make sense historically, which, to me, wasn't the case at all in most of the cases that I've changed. In that regard, it should matter e.g. whether the ruler or the dynasty he or she represents had exacted tribute or similar payments (though tax-like tribute from provinces or satrapies shouldn't count) and if tribute was customary in their cultural area. It can make sense to let leaders that represent non-expansionistic powers ask for tribute frequently – they prefer tribute over conquest, and vice versa. However, for modern peaceful leaders (e.g. Lincoln; not changed), it makes more sense to let them start wars (for reasons that are somehow principled) than to let them extort payments. | |
| Tbd. | I'm also not happy with most of the 33 leaders that I haven't changed. Should address those as part of a comprehensive leader overhaul. | |
| See also | 104m adjusts the probability for an AI tribute demand based on war utility. | |
| 005b | GP names assigned chronologically | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| GP names | are assigned in the order they're listed | When a GP is born, the name is chosen |

| in Civ4UnitInfo.xml, i.e. roughly ordered by date of birth; no more Ancient Heisenberg. About every second (based on the number of civs in the game) name is skipped at random, so that GP names aren't the same in every game. | | |
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| | n additional offset when starting in the era or later, i.e. early names are | |
| Corrected a "Frank" Ka | a few misspelled GP names, e.g. fka. | |
| appear as | he two Great Generals that also civ leaders with two new ones gne → Zizka; Boudica → Hai Ba Trung). | |
| Names of p from the 20 | olaytesters replaced with actual spies Oth century. | The last 10 names for Great Spies are the real names or nicknames of BtS playtesters. |
| Credits | The new spy names are taken from a the RFC: Dawn of Civilization mod. | list that etiennefd (Steb on CFC) compiled for |
| See also | 038 picks historians that somewhat n the "most powerful civilizations"). | natch the type of civ ranking (e.g. Machiavelli for |
| Tbd. | Perhaps separate lists of GP names | for every civ. DoC should have lists for most civs. |
| | Though I'd like the following better for AdvCiv: Assign a list of GP names to each technology and pick a name based on the current bulb tech when a GP is born. Use the BtS list as a fallback (and for Great Generals). May have to add a separate list for each GP type to each entry in Civ4TechInfo for this. | |
| 005с | City ruins bear the name of the former city | |
| in a tile with meaning th | Help text shows the name of the most recent city n a tile with city ruins. Can't pillage city ruins, meaning they can only be removed by building an improvement on top. | |
| Rationale | For flavor. No pillaging because the name of a destroyed city could have strategic importance (albeit very little), and I wouldn't want players to destroy ruins in order to monopolize information (in multiplayer). Also, while Sennacherib boasted to have "removed the dust of Babylon for presents to be sent to the most distant peoples," the idea of pillaging ruins doesn't immediately make sense. | |
| 005d | Spurious/ misattributed tech quotes corrected or marked as "ascribed to" (only English and German) | |
| Credits | CFC discussion about Civ6 tech quotes: <u>link;</u> offshoot about BtS: <u>link</u> CFC user Steb pointed out a few more in the Dawn of Civilization subforum: <u>link</u> | |
| 005e | German text: Changed the name of Galley from "Triere" to "Galeere" and the name of Trireme from "Trireme" to "Triere" because "Triere" and "Trireme" are synonyms. | |
| | The names are also problematic in English: A trireme is a special kind of galley. The Warlords Civilopedia text says that the Galley unit is supposed to be a pentekonter. Apparently, they didn't want to give Galley that rather obscure name. | |
| 005f | City art style based on highest culture | |
| _ | le of a city's 3D models is that of the highest tile culture in the city. | The city owner's art style is used. |

| Rationale | The style of the buildings shouldn't immediately change upon conquest. (It kind of in the New World, but in these cases much of the former population and its culture also gone.) It's nice to have more traces of the past on the map. | |
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| | Disabled this change again after realizing that there is no way to make the same change for Cottages, Hamlets etc. Looks like the code in the EXE checks the owner of the improved tile, calls CvPlayer::getArtStyleType on the owner and uses the returned ArtStyle. | |
| Config | XML switch in GlobalDefines_advc | |
| Credits | Idea from Xyth's History Rewritten <u>v1.25</u> | |

| 005e | City name tweaks | | |
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| Tbd. | All the city lists could use an overhaul: Higher priority for ancient capitals; avoid high priority for cities that were very close to each other; include more remote cities, maybe even some in client states that don't appear in the game. Mods like Realism Invictus and DoC could be of help. | | |
| Angkor Wa | Angkor Wat removed from the Khmer city list. It's in position 4. Yasodharapura is in position 1. | | |
| Rationale | The temple was in Yasodharapura, also known as Angkor ("capital") but not as Angkor Wat ("capital temple"). The temple district could be seen as its own city but isn't commonly seen that way, and having a wonder and a city of the same name is awkward. | | |
| Tbd. | Chichen Itza: Should rename the wonder in this case (Temple of Kukulcan). | | |

| 006 | Assertions | | |
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| | Disabled a few assertions that are supposed to be rare and were still under investigation by earlier nodders, and are probably false positives or mostly harmless and difficult to resolve. | | |
| 006b | Enabled assertions in CvXMLLoadUtility that warn when an XML tag expected by the DLL isn't found in XML – unless a default value is explicitly set in CvInfos.cpp. | | |
| Rationale | If the tag is defined in the schema, then the EXE should warn about it anyway, but the new assertions should help when a tag is also missing from the schema and, in particular, when the tag is mistyped in CvInfos::read(CvXMLLoadUtility*). And they warn about missing default values for non-mandatory tags — although a default of 0, false or an empty string as used by BtS is usually fine. I've added (explicit) default values where they are now necessary. | | |
| 006c | Define assertion and profiling macros as (void) 0 when disabled. | | |
| Rationale | <pre>if() FAssert() foo();</pre> | | |
| | If FAssert is entirely removed (as in BtS), then the foo call will move into the if branch without any compiler error. | | |
| | With my change, macro calls have to be terminated with a semicolon. | | |

| 007 | Changes to info shown in Debug mode; logging |
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- No confirmation needed for entering WorldBuilder if already in Debug mode.
- Red circles from BBAI only shown if Show-Yields view was enabled before entering Debug mode. (Can also toggle the circles by toggling Show-Yields and entering and leaving a city screen.)
- Military Advisor shows all foreign units.
- Privateer owner revealed.
- Alt while hovering over a leader portrait in Debug mode shows the leader's id (slot number).
- Alt+Ctrl on an owned tile shows the Al resource trade counter (which is divided by 50 to yield the "appreciate the years" relations bonus).
- Alt+Shift on an owned land tile shows the number of Al Workers needed in the tile's area.
- Can no longer show Info, Victory, Espionage and Foreign Advisor screen for Barbarians. These screens aren't helpful and some had been leading to failed assertions.
- When Alt is held down on a tile, the tile's found values are recomputed ignoring overlap with planned city sites. This value is shown first, then the cached value (planned sites taken into account). (BtS shows the cached value first, then a recomputed value that normally equals the cached value and then then a value computed as if the map was empty, marked with an "s" for "starting location". AdvCiv does not compute this "s"-value.)
- Alt-text on the scoreboard shows culture info only when Alt+Ctrl is held or when a civ is close to a culture victory.
- Need to hold down Shift in order to see stack compare values along with combat odds.

See also 001d fixes some Debug mode bugs in various Advisor screens. 085 shows a score breakdown when Ctrl is held in Debug mode while hovering over a score value on the scoreboard.

XML switch PER_PLAYER_MESSAGE_CONTROL_LOG for creating multiple MPLog.txt when testing multiplayer games on a single PC. These will have to be deleted manually.

Procedure: Set LoggingEnabled=1, OverwriteLogs=1, and RandLog=1 in CivilizationIV.ini. Will probably also have to set MessageLog=1 and SynchLog=1. Or rather, put these in a copy of CivilizationIV.ini (say, MPDebug.ini), set Mod = Mods\AdvCiv and FullScreen = 0 in the copy and place it in the same folder as Civ4BeyondSword.exe; then create a shortcut targeting "C:\Program Files (x86)\Sid Meier's Civilization 4\Beyond the Sword\Civ4BeyondSword.exe" ini=advcMP.ini multiple, Where multiple is for allowing multiple instances of the BtS process. Launch the game twice through that shortcut, create a Direct IP game named chipotle (see 135c) with one process and join it with the other by connecting to 127.0.0.1.

| Rationale | Need an MPLog.txt from each player in order to debug OOS errors. | |
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| See also | 001n fixes OOS errors 135c allows debug tools in multiplayer and refactors CvGameTextMgr::setPlotHelp. | |
| Disabled some log output from $CvEventManager.py$. City growth, border expansion and saves are now only logged if the respective $__LOG$ variables in the $CvEventManager$ constructor are set. | | |
| Rationale | Probably an oversight by the (Vanilla) Civ 4 developers. Most of the other log output was already tied toLog variables. (Savegames were probably being logged on purpose, but that leads to a lot of uninteresting log output when autosaving every turn.) | |

| 007b | Cheat and debug shortcuts disabled unless in Debug mode | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Unless in Debug mode, only the shortcuts Ctrl+Z | | Numerous shortcuts (<u>list</u> on GameSpot.com) that |
| (enter Debug mode), Ctrl+D (menu for graphics | | require only "chipotle" to be entered in |
| debugging), Ctrl+U (unit graphics debugging), | | CivilizationIV.ini; Debug mode isn't |

Ctrl+Alt+T (reset game text), Ctrl+Alt+A (audio viewer). Ctrl+Alt+L (reset city layout) are enabled. (Well, there could be others that I'm unaware of. Ihovering over a city (immediately finishes the found these through experimentation.)

checked. Some of these are easy to trigger by accident, in particular Ctrl+Shift-+Left Click (Object Placer menu) and Plus key while city's production).

Ctrl+Alt+R disabled entirely, though a message 'Reloaded Art Defines" (sent from the EXE) still appears – along with a warning from AdvCiv code that it's actually disabled.

Ctrl+Alt+R crashes the game, also in BtS: probably one of the expansions has broken it.

Rationale

If players actually want to use these shortcuts for cheating a little, then it could be annoving that Debug mode is required because Debug mode reveals the map, which can be a spoiler (and so does WorldBuilder). Still, for development purposes. I need to have Debug mode at hand, so I need the cheat mode ("chipotle"), but I don't want to run into other cheat commands, perhaps without even noticing.

See also

Chapter on all-Al games: The spectator mode requires Debug mode, which in turn requires cheats to be enabled, so regular players may end up leaving cheats enabled permanently. Don't want these players to stumble onto cheat commands.

Thd.

Could add an override in GlobalDefines to allow cheat commands without Debug mode.

Perhaps the reloading of Art Defines wouldn't be so difficult to fix.

Would like to block the reset/reload shortcuts when not in Debug mode. onKbdEvent in BUG/CvEventManager doesn't help – apparently, the key press gets processed by the EXE before that handler is called. The only way I see: During initialization, store gDLL->getChtLv1() in a (serialized) variable at CvGame and set gDLL->setChtLv1 (0). This will disable all cheats. When Ctrl+Z is pressed (I think BUG handles that already) and not currently in Debug mode, ask CvGame what the cheat level is supposed to be, and, if it's greater than 0, call gDLL->setChtLv1(1) just before CvGame::toggleDebugMode. When Ctrl+Z is pressed in Debug mode, call gDLL->setChtLv1(0) after toggleDebugMode. Will have to integrate this with 135c, which allows Debug mode in multiplayer.

Would also like to block Ctrl+Alt+F4 (kills the process – or simply exits to desktop without confirmation; not sure). This might be an OS thing, but the fact that it doesn't work in the main menu suggests to me that it's implemented in the EXE.

Enabled some debug tools that the BUG mod had (accidentally I guess) made unavailable. Now they require Debug mode (probably only required cheat mode in BtS):

Shift+T: Award tech or gold. Shift+Ctrl+W: View wonder movie

Shift+] on unit: Heal 10 HP Shift+[on unit: Damage 10 HP Shift+F1: View replay

"Debug Info" screen with various per-civ statistics Shift+F2:

Shift+F3: View Dan Quayle screen Shift+F4: View UN victory screen

800 Changes to Civilopedia content and hints

I've updated some content that is no longer accurate. For some Game Concept pages, I left the

| content alone, and merely added a warning at the top that the info could be outdated. | | | | |
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| I've only ch | I've only changed the English and German version. | | | |
| Config | The modified bits are in a separate file called CIV4GameText_advc.008.xml. | | | |
| Tbd. | Not all the strategy advice is up to date. Especially the tech and building advice is a lot of work to maintain, and much of it is redundant. The tech advice is only shown when Sid's Tips are enabled. Would be best to somehow disable these texts completely for anything past the Ancient era (simply check the tech's era along with each check for the player option); the early-game texts actually do contain some advice. | | | |
| See also | 033 shows the Privateer's plunder ab | 004y: Changes to Civilopedia formatting 033 shows the Privateer's plunder ability in Civilopedia 179 shows the production bonus of the Apostolic Palace in Civilopedia | | |
| 008a | Hide abilities in Civilopedia when the | y don't apply | | |
| Rationale | To unclutter the Civilopedia | | | |
| See also | 004w unclutters the help texts for bui | ldings on the city screen. | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | | |
| starts" restricurrent gan applies to t Civilopedia | Showing the "Can be built on X era and earlier starts" restriction only when X is smaller than the current game's start era, i.e. when the restriction applies to the current game. When the Civilopedia is accessed from the main menu, the restriction is shown when X is not equal to the | | | |
| | Shwedagon Paya not available on Renaissance Both wonders were added in BtS. Shwed is available on Renaissance start and earlier and Zeus only on Ancient start. | | | |
| Versailles r | /ersailles not available on Industrial start. Industrial start or earlier. | | | |
| Rationale | Most wonders become unavailable when starting two eras after their tech era; spell out only these exceptional cases (e.g. most Ancient wonders are available when starting in the Classical era, but Stonehenge isn't). The changes to individual wonders reduce the number of exceptions that the | | | |
| | Civilopedia needs to mention. | · | | |
| See also | 310 changes the start era restriction | of the Great Wall | | |
| Tbd. | Civilopedia should list the free buildings from later-era start along with the descriptions of the later-era start settings. | | | |
| | Perhaps prevent civs from constructing a wonder once they reach the threshold era – regardless of the game's start era. This could make wonders scarcer in games with few civs. | | | |
| Show required victory condition ("such-and-such victory must be enabled") only when accessing Civilopedia from the main menu or when the victory condition is disabled in the current game. | | | | |
| 008b | (unassigned) | (unassigned) | | |
| 008c | Updated some of the hints that are shown while loading savegames (only English and German) | | | |
| 008d | New hints about AdvCiv changes and a few K-Mod changes that weren't previously covered. Gave all hints about modded content a higher probability of being shown than the hints from Vanilla and BtS (Warlords didn't add any). Tried to mimic the tone of the | | | |

| | original hints. Only in English and German. | | |
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| Config | Increased the probability by duplicating entries in CIV4Hints.xml. Separate file for the new hints: CIV4GameText advc.008d.xml. | | |
| 008e | Changes to the names of wonders and projects | | |
| | No wonder or project name starts with "The" or any other article (translations). Totally inconsistent; e.g. "Angkor Wat", but "The Taj Mahal". | | |
| Rationale | Makes it easier to find wonders in Civilopedia and on the Wonders tab. Just "Pyramids" is a little strange, but most of the names work fine without an article. Could make it "Great Pyramids" (joining Great Lighthouse, Great Wall and Great Library), but I guess "Pyramids" is OK. | | |
| Config | Separate file CIV4GameText_advc.008e.xml. Further changes to wonder names will have to be made there. Can delete the file to undo all name changes. | | |
| See also | Caveman to Cosmos also does this (but I haven't checked how they've implemented it). SourceForge <u>revision</u> | | |

| 009 | Setup of configuration files: BUG settings, GlobalDefines, BUG and BBAI help files | |
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| See also | 002b also deals with file paths | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| | e BUG help files in three languages and Spanish translation seem to | No BUG help files included; clicking on "BUG Mod Help" in the BUG options menu results in an error message. |
| Rationale | The help files also include developer | credits; gotta have those. |
| Tbd. | Would be nice to use the <u>SourceForg</u> installations – as a fallback when hel | ge URL that BugHelp.py tries to access for Mac p files aren't found locally. |
| folder explaining its purpose. files of the Unit Naming and Custo Advisor components. BULL instea Mods\BULL\UserSettings that co files used by the mod. The present files prevents BUG/BULL from cre | | BUG and K-Mod have this folder, containing ini files of the Unit Naming and Custom Inland Advisor components. BULL instead has a folder Mods\BULL\UserSettings that contains all ini files used by the mod. The presence of these files prevents BUG/BULL from creating them under My Games (cf. this post by EmperorFool). |
| Rationale | The folder is confusing in two ways: a) The name suggests that it contains important global settings, but the settings are actually only for two particular mod components, which are even disabled by default. b) The contents of the folder are copied to My Games\Beyond The Sword\AdvCiv\ Settings when the mod is started for the first time, so it seems that the folder in Mods\AdvCiv is redundant – which is true, but only once the copy has been created, so the Settings folder has to be included in the download archive. | |
| Tbd. | If I'd store <i>all</i> ini files in <code>Mods\AdvCiv</code> , a copy under <code>My Games</code> would no longer be created. This would also make it easier to uninstall the mod. That said, it might lead to issues with Windows rights management, and fallback behaviors for that would be too difficult to implement for me. And I wouldn't want to include all the ini files in the download; this can perhaps be avoided by giving <code>Mods\AdvCiv</code> higher priority than <code>My Games in BugPath.findSettingsFile</code> . Either way, I should consider a different name for the <code>Settings folder</code> | |

(SETTINGS FOLDER in BugPath.py). Though, ideally, the game should then continue to check the old location so that players don't have to update manually (by moving their ini files). CvTextScreens.cpp removed from CvGameCoreDLL. Apparently doesn't get compiled into the DLL, so it doesn't serve any purpose. Rationale Credits alberts2 (Caveman to Cosmos mod): SourceForge revision Removed a few DDS art files from the Art\BUG folder that appear to be unused (the file names appear neither in the DLL nor in any of BUG's XML and Python file): Arm.dds, Foot.dds, GreenFace.dds, RedFace.dds, YellowFace.dds, Star.dds, Trade.dds. The total compressed size of these is only 7.3 KB. 009b BUG initialization (only relevant for developers) **AdvCiv** Catch and discard exceptions that occur in BUG It seems that the BUG initialization code doesn't code when scripts are reloaded in response to a support scripts getting reloaded at runtime. Exceptions in the components Civ4lerts and change in a script file while the game is running. Field-of-View slider can lead to an unresponsive Python changes at runtime still often require a UI and nonfunctional alerts until the game is restart because BUG initialization code tries to restarted. So, unlike in unmodded BtS, Python access functions (e.g. in CvMainInterface.py) changes at runtime aren't really possible in BUGthat somehow aren't accessible yet. (*Tbd.*) based mods. This post by platyping confirms that Typical error trace: this is an issue with BUG and not just File BugConfig, line 124, in unknown_endtag K-Mod/AdvCiv or my platform. File BugConfig, line 348, in endChild File BugConfig, line 351, in end File BugConfig, line 332, in process File BugConfig, line 579, in handle File BugUtil, line 642, in getFunction File BugUtil, line 631, in lookupFunction ConfigError: Module 'CvMainInterface' must define function 'onSwitchHotSeatPlayer' Reverting this change should fix that, but there are also issues with CvScreensInterface: ConfigError: Module 'CvScreensInterface' must define function or class 'init' ConfigError: Module 'CvScreensInterface' must define function or class 'deleteTechSplash'

| 009с | Removed Map Finder | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| scripts of the | uration files, text files and Python he Map Finder mod component have eved, and references to them d out. | Map Finder is included in the BUG mod, so it seems that karadoc disabled it (by commenting out a few lines in BugMapOptionsTab.py. |
| Rationale | Generally, I don't want to remove any BUG/BULL features entirely, even if I don't think I'll ever use them personally, but Map Finder is really a feature for competitive HoF players, which doesn't make any sense in a mod like this. I don't think it can be used as a developer tool either, e.g. to find out how commonly some very poor or powerful | |

I understand too little about the BUG mod's design to fix this properly.

Rationale

| | combinations of tiles occur, or only with major modifications. The compressed size of the removed files is 12 KB (negligible), but it also reduces the number of files to browse through when making changes to other BUG components. |
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| | Not terribly difficult to re-enable: Restore the removed files from BUFFY (K-Mod hadn't made any changes), uncomment any code marked with change id 009c. |
| See also | The space on the BUG menu is now used for <u>004m</u> , <u>004h</u> and <u>004z</u> . |

| 009d | More graceful handling of bad data in | n BUG ini files |
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| Config | BugOptions.py, BugOptionsTab.py | |
| AdvCiv | | BUG |
| number for (My Games\ not within t Assets\Cc | Beyond The Sword\AdvCiv\Settings) is the valid range, the default (set in onfig) is used by the menu and stored e, replacing the invalid index number. | Index numbers in ini files can easily become invalid if the range of a list option is changed in Assets\Config. |
| Rationale | | v0.95. Using the 0 th item is clearly inferior to hat the BUG developers had intended either. |
| Tbd. | My changes don't correct the invalid index until the BUG menu is opened. That's acceptable for now because I expect that players (if any) who have used the fairly exotic values that I've removed will take a look at the revised BUG menu after updati to v0.95. | |
| | It should be possible to fix this in get been able to figure it out. | Index (BugOptions.py), but somehow I haven't |
| Fixed some tagged with | | e in BugOptionsTab.py. These bugfixes are |
| No comments are written to BUG ini files. If comments are already present (from a version of AdvCiv earlier than 0.95), those comments remain unchanged. | | When the mod is launched for the first time (and no settings are stored from an earlier installation), it creates an ini file for every xml file in Assets\Config and fills the ini with the defaults set in xml. (This is still the case in AdvCiv.) Additionally, BUG adds a comment to each value in the ini file that includes, again, the default and the hover text for the option, read from the correspondingOptions.xml file in Assets\XML\Text. These comments are, as far as I can tell, never updated, so if the default or hover text changes from one version of AdvCiv to the next, the comments won't reflect this unless the user clears the settings. |
| Rationale | Ideally, BUG would read the comments in the ini at startup (along with the actual values), check if they're outdated and update them if necessary. I don't think the comments are read at all though, so this would be quite an effort to implement. Updating the comments always isn't easy enough to do for me either, and might affect performance. | |

I don't think the ini files should be manually edited anyway, so comments really don't seem necessary. They also take up a little bit of disk space.

| 010 | Worker stealing disabled | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Settlers and Workers die when attacked; no captured Worker appears. | | Settlers and Workers die and the attacker receives a captured Worker. The AI immediately disbands captured units. |
| Rationale | Unlike human players, the AI doesn't know how to look for exposed Workers and sthem; nor how to disband Workers that are about to be stolen; nor how to guard Workers on border tiles. If the AI could do these things, it would be largely imposs to steal Workers from the AI, and players would have to guard their Workers on bot tiles, which would be very tedious. This might be why the BtS developers (Blake?) abandoned efforts to let the AI steal Workers (CvUnitAI::AI_poach is never called So, Worker stealing as a game mechanism can only work against an unwitting AI. like the slave-raid flavor, but I don't think it's worth putting the AI at a considerable disadvantage. Early disruptive wars remain useful for destroying AI Workers (see Tbd.) and for keeping enemy tiles from being improved – I wouldn't want to make tactic unviable. Flocks of Workers captured in conquered cities also contribute to Worker underemployment, which tends to slow player turns down. | |
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| Worker stealing also undermines difficulty settings that give the A The <u>DDiplo</u> changes (decay of AI memory) would make Worker s attractive than it is in BtS. | | ficulty settings that give the AI a free Worker. |
| | | emory) would make Worker stealing even more |
| Config | Purely an XML change; can re-enable Worker stealing by restoring three values in Civ4UnitInfos.xml (look for advc.010). | |
| Tbd. 162 (rule changes against surprise wars) already makes it a bit Workers and could be extended to make such attacks impossible. | | |
| | Additionally or alternatively, Workers should have limited charges; this would be another way to nerf Worker stealing. | |
| | If attacks on Workers remain possib discussion on CFC <u>here</u> . | le, AI improvements would be desirable. See |

| 011 | Decay of invested Worker turns | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Once per round, when no progress has been made on any of a plot's unfinished Worker builds for the 8th turn in a row, the number of invested Worker turns is reduced by one for all unfinished builds in that plot. | | |
| Rationale | ationale BtS allows for some very fiddly micro-optimization, especially pre-chopping but also e.g. pre-building of Forts to protect strategic resources. I don't want players to worry about leaving an improvement unfinished for some turns e.g. until a Barbarian unit has been dealt with, but I want decay to be fast enough to | |

| | make pre-chopping an irrelevant tact | tic. This balance is a bit difficult to get right. |
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| Config | Can be adjusted or disabled through DELAY_UNTIL_BUILD_DECAY in GlobalDefines_advc.xml | |
| 011b | Partial builds | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| | trl key is held down while issuing a and, the build is stopped one turn eletion. | BULL has an option to always stop short of completion when the build removes a Forest. K-Mod hasn't adopted this. |
| When Ctrl is held down while hovering over a tile, the progress on all unfinished builds is shown. Added an option on BUG's map tab to always show that information. | | |
| Credits | Some code adopted from BULL; that | code is tagged with 011c . |
| See also | <u>This</u> open K-Mod issue states that the BULL implementation isn't safe for multiplayer games – which I can confirm. My own implementation is multiplayer-safe. | |
| Rationale | The pre-build command isn't really necessary now that build progress decays, but didn't take me long to implement, and it's something that other mods might want to adopt as my implementation is more flexible (can e.g. also be queued) and works in multiplayer. Also, players might disable the decay through XML. Showing partial progress in game text is helpful in any case. Showing it through the Ctrl key seems like a good solution for everyone; the BUG option is mainly there to | |
| Tbd. | make players aware of the feature. I've also written a loading screen hint for that purpose. One downside of my implementation is that keyboard shortcuts (e.g. Alt+C for chopping) don't work when Ctrl is pressed. They do work in BULL when the "pre-cho option is enabled, but then all chop commands have to be issued twice, which is, I think, a much bigger downside. I could make keyboard build commands work by usir a letter key, say Y, instead of (or in addition to) Ctrl. Only the modifier keys Ctrl, Shift and Alt interfere with the build shortcuts; I suppose that's why karadoc decided to use the X key for suppression of unit cycling. However, pressing Alt+Y+C (or even Ctrl+Alt+C) to pre-chop really isn't convenient, so I don't think I'll bother with this. Like BULL; I'm showing a message when a build is suspended. That's perhaps more | |
| | annoying than helpful. Also, the message would be timed better at the start of a turn. Currently, Workers abandon their build missions right after making the move that brings the progress to <i>x-</i> 1 of <i>x</i> turns (perhaps this should happen at the start of the next turn instead) and the message is shown; often, Workers don't move until the player presses "end turn", and then the message is shown only very briefly, which looks strange. | |

| 012 | Forest/Jungle defense reduced | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | Jungle provide no defense if the wns the attacked tile, otherwise 25% | 50% regardless of ownership. |
| (Feature attack/defense bonuses from unit abilities or Woodsman promotion still apply | | |

| regardless o | of tile ownership.) | |
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| Rationale | Some players complain that removing Forests in the inner ring of a city is a no-brainer because the defense bonus for invading armies is too dangerous. I'm more bothered by the implausibly high defense bonus from Forest and Jungle, which leads to game-play problems too, such as Barbarians refusing to attack fortified units. Forested chokepoints are difficult to handle for the AI. | |
| | palisades etc.), and it makes sense | defend well in forests (forests offer material for that the civ that knows its way around in a forest e; I'm assuming that these two factors cancel out by the tile owner. |
| Config | Tag RivalDefense added to Civ4Fe to 50 to restore BtS behavior. | eatureInfos.xml. Can set that to 0 and Defense |
| Tbd. | The Woodsman promotions should Jungle. Currently, only Woodsman I | orovide a (net) attack bonus against Forest and I does. |

| 014 | Capitulated vassals don't pursue victory strategies | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| • | | A vassal votes for its master unless the vassal itself stands to be elected; no restriction on that. |
| Rationale | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | more votes than the master civ's biggest rival, naster civ should win a diplo victory with the votes ulated vassal shouldn't win. |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI/BtS |
| Capitulated vassals don't pursue victory strategies, don't build team projects and don't build wonders of the world except Shrines. | | Capitulated vassals pursue victory strategies and can actually win the game. |
| Rationale | Internet and Manhattan are things that the master may not want the vassal to build; SDI is covered by the master (change 143b); the other projects are for space victory. Capitulated vassal shouldn't build wonders that the master might want to build or that could hurt the master (UN, AP); it's simplest to block them all. | |
| See also | 130v about capitulated vassals voting along with their master and generally behaving like zombies. 112 about voluntary vassals breaking free when approaching victory. 143b scraps nukes upon capitulation. | |

| 015 | Changes to Great People (GP) | |
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| Tbd. | Will probably allow Priest and Artist to hurry certain wonders; move culture bomb to Spy. | |
| 015a | Changes to tech flavor values | |
| See also | 020: Changes to non-tech flavor values. Tech flavor is special because it affects the GP discover abilities, while the other flavor values are mostly only relevant for the AI. | |
| AdvCiv BtS | | BtS |
| | | 3 production flavor, 4 gold, 2 culture, 2 growth. Thus a tech that Great Engineers can (and may |

| | ha | eve to) discover. |
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| Rationale | Engineers inventing constitutions is too | o far a stretch. |
| Tbd. | Fascism is also dubious (6 production | flavor). |

| 016 | Extra tile yields from random events | not added to city tile yields |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| events are a | dded to the natural tile yield before elds to at least 2 food, 1 production, | City tile yield is computed as the yield from terrain, hill, unimproved bonus and river, all assuming that features (incl. Flood Plains) are removed. The result is raised to at least 2 food, 1 production, 1 commerce. Finally, extra yields from random events and yield bonuses from Golden Age are added. |
| Rationale | Should be treated like all the other y | ield effects; counterintuitive in BtS. |
| Credit | Pointed out <u>here</u> on CFC by traius. | |
| Tbd. | Considering to change the city tile yield formula so that bonuses are applied after the raise step. | |
| See also | 004b shows the city tile yield before | founding |

| 017 | Al trains fewer units when its military | is already very large and drafts less in general |
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| See also | 121b: Al hurries production less, esp 018: Reduced impact of Crush strate | • |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| reduced bas | ed on the military power of the tential opponent. | The military power of other civs affects the number of trained units only indirectly through the "Area AI type"; generally keeps building units so long as the maintenance is affordable. |
| Rationale | | than to train excessive armies. Al stacks of doom human player is behind when Drafting and Rifling |
| unit by 4 per Added an up specific train number of ci | he base probability to train a military centage points overall. oper and lower bound for the cityunit probability based on the ties: The AI only gets to use very probabilities once it has about five | The probability is effectively 6 higher than set (per AI leader) in XML because the experience from Barracks is doubled and added in. |
| Rationale | The average probability to train a un much in a situation where there is no | it was about one in three, which seems a bit war on the horizon. |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| _ | build Barracks before training a unding a second city. | About three times more likely than in AdvCiv. |
| Tbd. | Want to give Barracks a tech require | ement. |

| population in needed. (Ka doesn't app | away more than a third of a city's unless defenders are urgently -Mod has the same condition but bly it to Rifleman.) Don't draft at all is neither a war plan, nor a reason to ulation. | Draft as many units as allowed except when there are angry citizens or upkeep gets too costly (that's a high ceiling). Stricter rules when drafting sth. other than Riflemen. |
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| | ot urgent, only draft with a per-turn equal to the normal buildUnitProb. | No randomness in drafting. |
| | I utility value for Nationhood civic dy paying high unit upkeep. | Utility is only reduced when maxUnitSpending is exceeded. |
| Rationale | Nationhood. If the player can stay ou | Al stacks once/ if the Al hits Rifling and switches to ut of harm's way through diplomacy, it becomes cally. One third of the population is still a lot. |
| | once they're needed. Probably shou either. The change to civic evaluation | erally a bad idea; can draft units pretty quickly ldn't adopt the Nationhood civic without war plans n may help with that. Don't want to make war nood though – that would give away the Al's |
| | The probability should make AI draft | ing less abrupt, and reduce it a bit overall. |
| Tbd. | | o account in a more meaningful way: currently ever, need to change the drafting rules before no efficient currently. |
| assault is a | number of warships to escort a naval djusted based on the number of es owned by the enemy and the game | Only the number of escorted transport ships matters, and whether they can defend themselves (Galleons). |
| lead to larg | ug fixed in BBAI code that may have e AI fleets when only a "minimal e" had been intended. | |
| | is fewer sea explorers if the file name script is "Pangaea". | |
| Rationale | • | ne enemy has very few ships. Can't be sure of should be a pretty good predictor (and don't want o't see). |
| Tbd. | Should check if the enemy can even (Industrial-era) Transports if the ene | train any dangerous ship; no need to protect my ships are Frigates. |
| | Once that's implemented, should probably use relativeNavyPower if <u>UWAI</u> is enabled. | |
| See also | 905a buffs Trireme and stops the AI from using (and training) Caravels as escorts. Not sure if this has lead to fewer or more AI ships. 081 is supposed to train more ships when they're needed. | |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI |
| | ne number of attackers that the Al n there is no war plan. | BBAI added that behavior for "building [a] city hunting stack" that is also supposed to "to produce early rushes on tight maps" (comments in the code). May train as many as 12 attackers |

| for this. |
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| 017b | Dynamic changes of unit AI type | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| attackers (UN explorers (UN | NITAI_EXPLORE_SEA) if there is tack and there are too few | Land units can turn into (land) explorers, and there is a narrow rule that can turn a Galley into an explorer after transporting a Settler; but Caravels can only act as explorers if they've been trained for that purpose. Explorers can adopt |
| Lowered the UNITAL_RESE | priority of guarding seafood when in | various other roles if exploration isn't needed anymore. |
| | ditions for changing from CLER_SEA to UNITAI_ASSAULT_SEA. | |
| UNITAI_EXP | Work Boats can change from LORE_SEA to any other sensible type els are available. | Al won't train Caravels for exploration if it already has enough exploring Galleys. |
| Rationale | Should lead to fewer Caravels; that's | s why I'm grouping this with change 017. |
| Tbd. | There are probably other sensible AI type changes that the BtS code doesn't consider. A comment by the Vanilla developers also suggests this: "move some of this into a function? maybe useful elsewhere." | |
| | | ep UnitAI and CityAI/PlayerAI consistent, g more and more unnecessary units. |
| transporting | Settlers, even if those areas didn't ha | Al to train at least one ship per sea area for ave access to any city sites. Combined with the e stacks of Galleys in water areas that didn't need |

| 018 | Impact of Crush AI strategy reduced | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| train more un focus to prod | nits overall, and doesn't shift its yield duction. On the contrary, the Al | Crush makes the AI prioritize production. It also (no change in AdvCiv) lets the AI mobilize some of its defensive units as invaders, and trains more city attackers instead of defenders. |
| | e enemy doesn't pose much of a | At least with Aggressive AI enabled, some AI leaders adopt Crush in any "total" war that isn't going badly. |
| | | The Crush strategy has been introduced by BBAI. |
| Rationale | In K-Mod, Crush seems to be used in situations where the AI might be able to win a decisive victory by concentrating all its resources on the war. This leads the AI to go all-in more often than I'd like. The AI can easily end up training far more units than would be needed in these all-out wars, which sets it on a road toward a military victory. The AI goes for military victories too often in K-Mod. | |
| | Now the AI should use Crush only to anyway. | b bring war to a quick conclusion when it's winning |

| See also | 115 and 104c also make the AI less willing to go for a military victory. |
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| occ also | trib and 1040 also make the 7th less willing to go for a military victory. |

| 019 | Lower impact of Aggressive AI mode | e (AAI) in BBAI/K-Mod code |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Only minor in and K-Mod o | • | Especially K-Mod behavior depends on AAI in many places. |
| Rationale | non-aggressive AI, and really no need for two modes. Even for inexperienced play it would be better to tie AI aggressiveness to the difficulty setting instead of a sepa game option. (To be fair, BtS does that too: iAIDeclareWarProb is based on difficulty setting instead of a sepa game option. | |
| | In the original Civ 4 code, the non-AAI behavior is very passive, especially on the low and medium difficulty settings; this has been a recurrent player complaint since the Civ 4 release. Therefore, I haven't reduced the impact of Aggressive AI in the original code. | |
| See also | AAI can only be disabled through XI on malicious espionage. | ML; see chapter on <u>UWAI</u> . <u>120b</u> : No impact of AAI |
| | <u>Posts</u> by Blake about Aggressive Al already in Vanilla Civ 4.) | in BtS. (Note, however, that the option existed |

| 020 | Changes to AI flavor values | |
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| See also | 015a deals with tech flavor changes Great People. | that determine which techs can be discovered by |
| AdvCiv | | BtS/Warlords |
| maintenance city defense with governmaintenance flavor of corpadded to mo (Hollywood, flavor reduce and Cathedr some misc. some happir Broadcast To Religion flavor missing?). Plus some mouildings. Mo of flavor now usually avoid any one flavor preferences types). | e; reduced on buildings that increase Gold flavor no longer associated nent center (reduced distance e) and reduced on Courthouse. Gold flavor dern entertainment wonders Rock'n'Roll, Broadway) and Growth ed. Culture flavor also on Temples als (in addition to Religion), and on wonders. Growth flavor added to ness buildings (Colosseum, Market, ower) and National Epic. Added or to Apostolic Palace (how was that | Since Warlords, each AI leader has one or two flavor values, and prioritizes buildings (and technologies) that match those values. Military flavor is on buildings that increase city defense, grant free XP, increase unit production or reduce war weariness. Gold flavor for extra trade routes, increased gold rate or reduced maintenance. Culture for some of the buildings that generate culture (Monument, Stonehenge, Theater, National Epic, Hermitage, Sistine Chapel, Eiffel Tower). Growth on buildings that improve health or spur population growth, and on a few that increase happiness (Notre Dame, Globe Theater). Espionage flavor for buildings that produce espionage points or Great Spy points. Religion for religious buildings. Production for buildings with (generic) production bonuses. |

| _ | nd Forbidden Palace. Instead, Al onsider flavor when evaluating on points. | | |
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| Rationale | build Walls and Castles. I'm not remoleaders are also prone to counterattatended to build fortifications. Note that | get on the defensive and, therefore, shouldn't oving the military flavor entirely because warlike acks, and, (pre-)historically, militaristic cultures at Protective leaders are still more inclined to the production discount from the Protective trait; Military flavor. | |
| | Market that increase gold output. Go wide (trade route bonuses), but I still | gh science rate, which conflicts with buildings like old flavor does give some incentives for growing I think it's more important not to have the same ne next best choice seems Military; militaristic es. | |
| | | ting gold. The HQs pair well with +gold buildings, I Markets everywhere, not just in the HQ cities. | |
| | The missing Culture flavor on Hollywood etc. seems like an oversight. While Cathedrals are more of a religious thing, they're so instrumental to Culture victory that they should also have Culture flavor. | | |
| | If Growth is supposed to support tall cities, it needs an even mix of health and happiness. | | |
| Tbd. | The Trade Mission ability of the Great buildings. | at Merchant also clashes with the plus-gold-rate | |
| Apply the te | ch flavor values multiplicatively. | Additively; i.e. a flavor-based value between 0 and about 100 is added to the utility value of each tech. The utility value tends to increase with the economic output of a civ. | |
| | • • • | Additive in BtS, K-Mod replaced it with a multiplicative formula. Flavor can make up to a 100% difference, though 40-50% seems more typical. Since the building evaluation also affects the tech evaluation in K-Mod (not in BtS), building flavor indirectly affects tech evaluation too. | |
| Rationale | so that a civ starts making more ratio | act of flavor decreases with the economic output, onal choices when it's doing well, and that flavor have a low utility value. None of this makes | |
| Tbd. | into account that the utility value couvalues assigned in Civ4BuildingIn a similar way, i.e. assign flavor value simply get sth. like 5 Military flavor) a count them only indirectly in the tech reduced along with the unit value where the flavor values would not have to be requirements. | .xml look loopy; need an overhaul. Doesn't take inted for unlocked buildings includes the flavor afos.xml. Should perhaps treat units and civics in its through Civ4UnitInfos.xml (most would and Civ4CivicInfos.xml (no flavor tag yet) and a evaluation. This way, the flavor value would be sen a tech doesn't immediately unlock a unit, and be changed when making changes to tech | |

| Revised flavor values will change GP "bulb" paths though; bad for players who have | |
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| them memorized. | |

| 021 | Adjusted map scripts with simulated tectonics; see also chapter <u>PerfectMongoose</u> . | | |
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| See also | Since these map scripts frequently produce mountain chains and large areas of uniform terrain, the improved AI handling of areas separated by Peaks (<u>030</u>) and the reduced probability of large resource lumps (<u>129</u>) are especially relevant. | | |
| | Also tend to generate oblong continents near the poles, and <u>027</u> improves the selection of starting areas in such cases. | | |
| 021a | Tectonics | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| Uses the lat Tectonics m | test version 3.16 (Nov 2008) of the nap script. | Uses version 3.15. | |
| has a nice l | more rivers. [] Terra option now ooking Arabia instead of some and islands." | | |
| Plains. The very minor; Grassland a | All map scripts are allowed to place Jungle on Plains. The impact on most map scripts seems very minor; most tiles at the equator are Grassland anyway. A sample (non-Tectonics) Jungle can only be placed on Grassland. Since Tectonics maps have lots of Plains near the equator, these maps end up with very little Jungle Can only be placed on Grassland. Since Tectonics maps have lots of Plains near the equator, these maps end up with very little Jungle Can only be placed on Grassland. Since Tectonics maps have lots of Plains near the equator, these maps end up with very little Jungle Can only be placed on Grassland. Since Tectonics maps have lots of Plains near the equator, these maps end up with very little Jungle Can only be placed on Grassland. Since Tectonics maps have lots of Plains near the equator, these maps end up with very little Jungle Can only be placed on Grassland. Since Tectonics maps have lots of Plains near the equator, these maps end up with very little Jungle Can only be placed on Grassland. | | |
| Pangaea map had only 8 Plains Jungles and 40 Grassland Jungles. (Not sure if that means that there would have been 8 fewer Jungle tiles without my change.) | | The following resources can be placed on Jungle: Oil (Grassland), Uranium (any terrain), Banana (Grassland), Pig (Grassland), Rice (Grassland), Dye (Grassland), Gems (Grassland), Ivory | |
| Banana, Sugar and Ivory can be placed on (Grassland – or non-Jungle Plains), Spices Plains Jungle (in addition to Grassland Jungle). (Grassland, Plains), Sugar (Grassland). | | | |
| Credits | It's <u>LDiCesare</u> 's map script. It was included in BtS patch 3.17, and he updated it once more after that. | | |
| Config | The Jungle-on-Plains change is done in XML (Civ4FeatureInfos.xml). | | |
| Tbd. | Let Fractal-based map scripts place more Plains in the low latitudes. It's a better representation of the yellow soils in Southeast Asia than Grassland. This would also result in a nice even split between Grassland and Plains (currently the former is more common). Consider a rainforest feature/terrain for the equatorial belt. Allow Pig and Dye on Plains, perhaps instead of Grassland. Shifting resources away from the best terrain type (Grassland) should be healthy for game balance. | | |
| See also | 165 reduces the grid size of Tectoni | CS. | |
| AdvCiv | | Tectonics 3.16 | |
| Tectonics la 70% and 60 | ndmass type options "Earthlike" 80% 0% water. | o, Only 70% and 60% | |
| | e number of rivers for all landmass a bit more for Pangaea. | Was supposed to be reduced (perhaps to the level of v3.15) only for Pangaea, but due to an apparent bug affected (only) 60% water instead. | |
| Rationale | Corresponding to High, Medium and Low sea level. My 80% option actually does the same as the 70% option in the original script, the new 70% corresponds to the old 60%, and the new 60% is a new setting. I've noticed that far less land is generated | | |

| | , | ercentages are still too high. Actually, the ratios etimes does lead to 40% land, but at other times |
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| | | e.g. Fractal; I didn't like that. Not sure if Pangaea ns to receive fewer rivers in any case (albeit ler continents). |
| Tbd. | Make the script produce reasonable land ratios reliably. Should be the same as Fractal; see the frequencies stated under 021b. I probably won't ever do this because the PerfectMongoose script obsoletes Tectonics in my mind. | |
| Credits | 4Dingo4 and LDiCesare have sugge | sted formulas for the 50% setting <u>here</u> . |
| 021b | PerfectMongoose (PM) | |
| Config/ See also | It's all in the map script (Python): Pub The version history (prior to my own | |
| | | oout the predecessor PW2. That seems to have ing self.UsePythonRandom = False Should |
| | Screenshots and standalone downlo (The version included with AdvCiv or | |
| | In Oct 2018, cephalo published "PerfectWorld6" as a Lua script for Civ 6 (line) "might be the best PerfectWorld yet." But I doubt that I could port anything from Civ 4. | |
| Credits | See chapter <u>PerfectMongoose</u> | |
| Tbd. | Write a better algorithm for assigning starting locations. Not just for PM but for arbitrary maps, in the DLL. A good algorithm is challenging to design though: a Greedy algorithm isn't good enough (that's what we already have), but can't exhaustively evaluate all combinations either. The biggest issue with the PM algorithm (which I've already modified substantially) seems to be that it considers areas linked by coastal water in isolation. The ContinentMap class already contains groups of linked areas, but is only used for computing the Old World/ New World split when playing with the Old World option. Extending the use of ContinentMap would be quite a bit of work (given my low Python skills anyway); a rewrite in C++ might not take much longer. | |
| AdvCiv | | PM 3.2 |
| l've measured the relative frequencies of all terrain and feature types for Fractal maps of various sizes, and tried to get PM to somewhat match those frequencies. For reference, the Fractal frequencies at Low sea level are The triple of the relative frequencies of all the breath of the breath of the breath of the provided HTML and the breath of the | | The land ratio is really hard to predict unless the break-Pangaea option is disabled. Assuming a land ratio of 28.5%, forest typically covers about 10% of all tiles; 2% jungle, 3% peak, 9% hill, 5% river, 4% desert, 5% tundra, 7% plains and 7% grassland. |
| 31% land r (High). Wit | ncies I've ended up with are closer to atio (Low), 25% (Medium), 19% h Old World Starts, the script often ak a continent up, which results in ratios. | |
| There are s | still some more hills than on Fractal, | |
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| • | ains, less grassland and more rivers | |
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| but shorter of Same map s | ones. sizes as Fractal. | A larger tile grid is used for all map sizes, leading to about 40% more tiles. |
| Rationale | One goal is to let players set the san maps. Although PM now produces mumber of decent city spots seems the end. The main reasons why PM to be the large stretches of plains, cl mixed. I wouldn't know how to chang various regions of the map more chachoice between stopping to expand | ne number of civs that they use for most other nore land than Fractal (higher land ratios), the o be about the same, and that's what matters in produces more marginal or unusable terrain seem usters of hills and terrain generally being less ge that, and I rather like it. For one, it gives the aracter. Marginal terrain can also present a third and waging war; and it's a historically plausible to kept a slightly higher ratio of plains and hills. |
| | quite as much desert as in reality, or | is as an important objective. E.g. if there isn't ne can simply assume that a Desert tile represents tile (i.e. not a scale model), or that some arid as Plains or Tundra in the game. |
| | probably obsoleted by LunarMongoominor and obsoleted by my own cha Realism Invictus. Mongoose Mod ma | e changes to PerfectWorld2, but these are ose's work. Changes by Fuyu in RevDCM are nges. Likewise those by Antmanbrooks for akes numerous changes beyond those in the in particular the v4.1 release notes), but nothing |
| Tbd. | | Mod: "added impassables (ie Sea Ice) to the a Coast connection when there effectively isn't" |
| rather than grassland. Jungle can occur on plains occur in the tropics than on other maps the default terrain generator). Jungle is ponly on grassland. As a result, jungles a | | the default terrain generator). Jungle is placed only on grassland. As a result, jungles are less dense than on other maps, but they extend a bit |
| Rationale | least in terms of food yield; the color | representation of tropical soils than grassland (at of plains also fits for clay-rich soils). Also, rassland makes the jungles less scattered. |
| | | In theory, the precipitation map should be somewhat smooth, which would avoid grassland next to jungle. Perhaps it's less of a problem on larger maps. |
| and snow on dry plots. Generally don't place flat alpine tundra, i.e. in plots that have a high | | Tundra and snow are used (also) to represent alpine tundra, i.e. in plots that have a high elevation but aren't rugged or high enough to make them impassable. |
| Rationale | I like the alpine tundra idea, but snow-covered mountains (or jungles) next to desert are jarring (even on small maps, where such contrasts may not be so unrealistic considering the scale of the model). | |
| Tbd. | It seems that PM assumes rain shadow on high-elevation plots. All tiles eligible for alpine tundra are extremely dry. Therefore, currently, (virtually?) no alpine tundra geplaced. | |
| Desert next to grassland is still quite common. | | common. |

| Oasos don't | have to be surrounded by desert: a | Oases only on tiles entirely surrounded by | |
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| | have to be surrounded by desert; a non-desert tiles are OK. No cold the poles. | desert. Sometimes large deserts are placed right next to tundra. | |
| Rationale | Oases that are totally surrounded by | desert are rarely useful. | |
| Attempt to tu with a 50% p | | Comment in the script (by Cephalo probably): "It looks bad to have a lake, fed by a river, sitting right next to the coast. This function tries to minimize that occurrence []." | |
| Rationale | I think those lakes are fine if they do their occurrence. | n't occur too frequently; don't want to "minimize" | |
| Reduced the | amount of land near the poles. | Often generates an Antarctica-like continent that connects temperate continents. | |
| Rationale | | nies can't traverse a polar desert), and wouldn't ortance of ships, and long attack paths are difficult | |
| The balancin | ng ("normalization") of the tiles near | All the standard normalization functions are | |
| DLL function | n. I've kept the PM code that ensures | disabled and replaced with custom code that seems very reluctant to make any changes: No rivers or lakes are added, no bad terrain (tundra) converted, jungles and peaks only removed when they occur in large numbers. | |
| Rationale | much balancing (especially for a ma | to awful starting locations. BtS might do a bit toop that's supposed to look natural), but, fortunately, 108) that make the balancing a bit less | |
| improvemen | lue from the DLL (with many ts by karadoc and some by myself; for pre-selecting tiles on which civs | A custom function "PotentialValue" is used. According to the Mongoose Mod changelog (18 Jan 2013), it contains several serious bugs. | |
| Rationale | AI_foundValue has the same purpo sophisticated than PotentialValue | ose as far as I can tell and is (now) much more | |
| Tbd. | Should perhaps also replace Potent | zialValue in other places. | |
| Starts in/ nea | ar the polar zone and on small uled out. | Starts on small islands and near the poles (not rarely both) are possible | |
| choosing sta | Place greater priority on mutual distance when choosing starting plots, especially when the map each other. | | |
| • | is crowded (a function of the number of players, world size, sea level and Old World Starts). | | |
| | code that encourages one starting inent to be placed inland. | mostly because coastal starts lead to greater pairwise distances and because of the shapes of continents, low average river length and lack of food on inland tiles. | |
| Rationale | | coasts because most of the early civilizations' bast. But of course inland starts should also occur. | |
| the standard | | For the standard map scripts, CvGame:: assignStartingPlots tries to assign starting locations based on difficulty. PM doesn't call | |
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| | | CvGame::assignStartingPlots and doesn't take difficulty into account; locations are randomly assigned. |
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| Rationale | Don't want the game to be easier on | PM than on other maps. |
| See also | Requires <u>108b</u> (a DLL change). | |
| Config | If the AdvCiv version of PM were inceffect. | luded in another mod, this change would have no |
| (CvMapGener | re placed in the standard way rator). be placed on flat tiles, and only ude of 35°. This applies to all map | Custom code for resource placement. Seems to be largely the same as in CvMapGenerator. I guess cephalo wanted to make some changes without changing files other than the map script. The BtS map generator places Fur on flat and hilly Tundra and Snow tiles at any latitude. Since PM uses Tundra and Snow (usually as hills but not always) to represent high elevations, Fur can appear fairly close to the equator. Deer is restricted to latitudes above 30°. |
| Rationale | | lapGenerator to apply. Also, for whatever reason, of resources. I've seen e.g. a 2x3 rectangle filled |
| | idea. 35° is still pretty far away from restriction, it should be OK. Fur on h the most widely known fur-bearing a | It savanna fauna, but, in BtS, that's clearly not the the poles, but, in combination with the no-hill ills doesn't make perfect sense to me anyway as nimals (beaver, ermine, mink) live near water, flatlands (mountain valleys too, I guess). Perhaps |
| Map options for land generator and climate system removed. Always use the defaults: PW3 Square Grid and PW3 Climate System. | | Options "PW3 Generator (Square Grid - Accurate)", "PW3 Generator (Hex Grid - Interesting)" and "PW2 Generator" for landmass generation; and "PW3 Climate System" and "PW2 Climate System" for climate. |
| Rationale | to adjust the land, feature and terrain | old PW2 code, and it would've been a lot of work n ratios for PW2. As for the "accurate" versus r supposed to decide this? I just went with ewer and it was the default setting. |
| Tbd. | | land generators after all. Apparently, the PW3 tonics at all. The landmasses aren't massive rameter to adjust that sufficiently. |
| | aea" map option removed. Enabled the Old World Start option is set. | If the Break Pangaea option is enabled (which it is by default), the script checks in the end if there |
| The limit for the number of meteors is based on the map size and sea level; no more than 9 (Huge map, Low sea level). | | is a single group of continents (spearated only by coastal water) containing more than 70% of the land tiles; if so, circular groups of land tiles are removed (explained as meteor strikes) until all |
| The average diameter of meteors is about 5 tiles Inside that diameter, the elevation is decreased. The decrement is maximal in the center and becomes gradually smaller toward the edge of the crater. This way, there are usually(?) no Peaks on coastlines created by meteors. | | |

| The meteors can strike only land. | | the map, the smaller the diameter (this appears to be a bug). All tiles in the diameter have their elevation set to 0. Since Peaks are placed (in a later step) based on differences in elevation, coastlines created by meteors are (always?) covered by Peaks. Since the total number of Peaks to be placed is limited by a target ratio, few or no Peaks get placed inland. |
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| | | The meteors may strike coastal water. This doesn't necessarily turn the coastal water into ocean because that's a matter of distance to land and not elevation. |
| Rationale | My changes make the meteors almost invisible. It's a nice metaphor for explaining how the algorithm works, but the meteor impacts shouldn't actually show up on the map because a real meteor strike doesn't significantly alter coastlines. Since PM is able to identify choke points, a few small meteors can suffice to break up a continent. | |
| the largest group of continents (separated only by coastal water), especially with Low seal level, so much land that the map looks like a plucket | | The meteors normally succeed in eliminating any 70%-sized group of continents, but may remove so much land that the map looks like a plucked goose and the Old World becomes very crowded. |
| Tbd. | A reliable "Old World Starts" option would be nice, but deleting land isn't an acceptable way to accomplish that. Unfortunately, I don't understand the "Twisted Perlin" algorithm, so I don't know which knob to twist. Perhaps increase twistMaxFreq when "Old World Starts" is set? | |
| See also | I've added a recommendation about the number of players to the label of the Old World Start option. This is consistent with change <u>137</u> , which adds such recommendation labels for Low and High sea level. | |
| When playi | ng without "Old World Starts", bulkier | continents are generated. |
| Tbd. | Wish I could make them even more | massive; see <i>Tbd</i> . above. |
| Rationale | More massive continents are more E but are difficult to break up to prever | Earth-like and make diplomacy more interesting – nt a pangaea. |
| Config | Through the twistMinFreq parame | ter (don't really know how that works). |
| When placing lakes, the map areas are now ecomputed only once in the end. 'm not sure if this is purely a nonfunctional change, but at least I'm not seeing any adverse effects. They're recomputed after every added water to this adds a couple of seconds to the total mageneration time. | | |
| Tbd. | Could probably improve the performance substantially by moving some code into the DLL. That said, it's difficult to determine which parts are slow. So far, I've only stepped through the DLL-to-map-script calls in the debugger to get an impression. The lake computation stuck out a bit but was still only a small portion of the total time, so there doesn't seem to be just one high-effort function. | |
| Added som | e log output for testing. This gets writt | en to PythonDbg.log. |

| 022 | Changes to AI paranoia |
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| See also | 107 also deals with the Al's defensive strategies 109 sets Economy Focus when no threatening civ is known 130u treats human civs as Cautious toward everyone | |
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| Tbd. | I've considered basing paranoia on enemy war utility (if <u>UWAI</u> is enabled), but, so far, the K-Mod code seems to work well enough alongside UWAI (if it never correctly anticipated UWAI attacks, that would be bad). | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod/ BBAI |
| The paranoia value of an AI civ is based on the attitude and personality of rival civs, not vice versa. Human rivals are assumed to be moderately bellicose with an adjustment based on the AI civ's attitude toward them. | | Paranoia is computed as a function of vicinity, power ratio, our attitude and personality, their victory strategies and whether we're their worst enemy. Paranoia determines if the BBAI strategies "Economy Focus" (low paranoia) or |
| CityThreat | ilar change in the computation of (non-immediate military threat y); using a mix of defender and tude there. | "Alert1" and "Alert2" (high paranoia) are adopted (neither if medium paranoia). |
| Decreased | Decreased impact of rival victory strategy. Paranoia is greatly increased if a rival is at | |
| Increased impact of geographical closeness; except when not on the same landmass. | | stage 3 of Domination or Conquest victory. |
| Some other, minor changes. | | |
| Rationale | A K-Mod comment in the CityThreat function says, "For good strategy, this should probably be their attitude rather than ours. But perhaps for role-play it is better the way it is." For CityThreat, I think both arguments have merit, so I'm averaging the attitudes this case. As for paranoia, producing additional defensive units against a benevole rival makes little sense roleplay-wise, and can be quite damaging for the AI, therefore only use the neighbor's attitude in that case. | |
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| See also | 107 changes the computation of closeness between civs. | |
| | Reduced paranoia if the threatening civ is so powerful that resistance is likely futile. The more powerful they are, the more paranoid we get. | |
| Rationale | Rationale "Things without all remedy should be without regard." | |

| 023 | Occupation countdown based on revolt probability | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS/ K-Mod |
| is decreme | ation timer (after conquest or a revolt) nted only with a per-turn probability e tenth power of 1 minus the revolt | The occupation timer is decreased by 1 each turn. |
| is set to the minimum of 3 and the population | | Occupation after conquest last for 3 turns plus 50% of the population size, e.g. 13 turns in a size-20 city. |
| A revolt set prior revolts | • | Also 2 in BtS and in K-Mod 1.45 (but 3 in earlier K-Mod versions). |
| | units have their culture garrison duced proportionally to the damage. | Unlike combat strength, garrison strength is unaffected by damage. |
| timer is sho | n chance to decrease the occupation own on the main interface (city tile and on the city screen (Nationality bar | |
| Rationale | BtS occupation times get too long in Renaissance; one reason why it's difficult to catch up at that point. 10 turns is a very long time when the game may last just 100 more turns, and the city may still have to spend some 20 turns on essential buildings before it starts paying off. | |
| | By basing the occupation duration on the revolt probability, I hope to reward player that conquer only one or a few cities at a time and can then afford to sit in them to make occupation end quickly. Generally, occupation durations are still going to increase as the game progresses – mature cities tend to have high revolt probabilities. Now, 3 turns is often just the time that units need for healing anyway this would hardly slow down conquests if it weren't for the reduced garrison strength of damaged units. | |
| | I'm not showing a message when ar become too much when occupying | n occupation counter is decremented; could several conquered cities. |
| Config | The conversion of revolt probability into the probability of decrementing occupation can be tweaked in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. Can also restore the BtS rules there (longer but deterministic occupation). | |
| See also | e also 101 reverts the K-Mod changes to revolt probability. 099c makes revolts more common by allowing them to happen outside of foreign culture range. 023 wouldn't really work without 099c because, in BtS, conquered citie often have 0% revolt chance. 210b displays an alert when occupation ends. | |
| Revolts can't happen in occupied cities (conquest) or prior revolt) if the city owner is at war with the cultural owner. If they're not at war, a revolt in occupation is possible but mitigated by the following special rules: | | tNo revolts during occupation. |
| | olt test is only executed if the nt-timer test has failed. | |
| • Revolt pr | robability is halved while in occupation | |
| A revolt during occupation does not increase the occupation timer; it does increases the | | |

| revolt counter and can flip the city. | | |
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| Being at war strength. | does not increase culture garrison | Culture garrison strength doubled while at war. |
| Rationale | If revolts were impossible during occupation, a player could withdraw all units to deliberately prolong occupation, which makes the city worthless for the current owner – but also for the cultural owner (can't flip). | |
| | Regular revolts during occupation would be too punishing though. The halved probability only makes up for the loss of garrison strength when units are damage part of a revolt. | |
| | I don't like having complicated special rules for revolt during occupation, but I don see a better solution. Or perhaps a city should flip deterministically after spending consecutive turns under occupation (unless at war)? That would be a bit simpler. | |
| An occupied city heals units only as fast as a friendly non-city tile (15 HP per turn). | | An occupied city heals as fast as an unoccupied one (20 HP per turn) except that Hospital doesn't count while in occupation. |
| Rationale | For plausibility and to slow wars of conquest down a bit more. 10 HP per turn (heal rate in neutral territory) might be even more appropriate, but then players could heal units faster by moving them onto some owned tile adjacent to an occupied city, which would be counterintuitive and tedious. | |

| 024 | Order in which AI contacts other AI randomized | |
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| AdvCiv | · | BtS |
| When contacting other AI civs for trades, the AI goes through them in a randomized order. | | Fixed order based on the player slot id. |
| Rationale | Some deals aren't mutually exclusive, but the AI can e.g. give away a resource only once, and may only have enough gold to convince one civ of a joint war. The fixed order leads to a slight bias for trading with AI civs with low ids. | |

| 025 | Reduced culture spread by capitulated vassal onto master's tiles | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| The tile culture spread by a city onto a tile is halved if the city owner is a capitulated vassal of the tile owner. | | Capitulated vassals spread their culture normally. |
| | Even if cities can't flip to vassals (change <u>099c</u>), the revolt-inciting culture spread is still a good reason not to accept capitulations. It's OK if capitulation isn't always the correct choice, and perhaps this is an interesting dilemma, but capitulation should be correct more often than not, and 099c makes it much harder overall to keep revolts in check. | |
| Config | Through GlobalDefines_advc.xml | |
| See also | 130v neuters capitulated vassals in several ways | |

| 026 | More gold offered in Al-proposed deals | |
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| See also | 134a gives humans a discount when suing for peace. | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| offer, when t deal, the AI i than normall | civ contacts a human with a trade rying to balance both sides of the is willing to give away more gold ly. If the player negotiates, the extra nger offered. | The AI can offer deals that are slightly more favorable to the player, but the portion of the AI treasury offered for trade isn't increased. |
| Rationale | The aim of the K-Mod change was to make it "worth considering the deal the AI offers [] rather than going straight to the renegotiate button" (from the K-Mod 1.07 changelog). But a worthwhile offer still seemed very rare, so, while worth considering, it didn't exactly hurt to never consider AI proposals. | |
| Config | AI_OFFER_EXTRA_GOLD_PERCENT in GlobalDefines-advc.xml | |
| Tbd. | A general problem with any one-time offers: If the player can't just click "renegotiate", then the player doesn't know what else the AI might have. Encourages the player to routinely enter the Foreign Advisor during diplo. The only fix I can think of (other than removing the one-time offers) is to have the AI remember its initial offer. Then, if the deal is renegotiated, that offer remains available through "what would make this deal work": If the player offers to give the AI what it had originally asked for (or that and sth. in addition), or asks for what the AI had originally offered (or a subset of it), the AI suggests the original offer unless it finds an even better one. This way, the player would again always renegotiate, but would still take a look at the original offer in order to possibly get back to it. | |
| | For now, I've added a loading screen hint about opening the Advisors during diplo. Another way to make one-time offers more attractive: Increase the trade value counted for "fair and forthright" trade if an AI offer is accepted without renegotiation (but don't increase the trade value for trade with worst enemy). Or even decrease fair-trade memory if an AI offer is rejected. | |
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| | | des are often worse than the trade resulting from I make this deal work?". Should check g a tech trade to the player. |

| 027 | Changes to the selection of starting | plots |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| continent, co tiles that are desert. Take | unt only those rivers and coastal n't peaks, tundra, snow or dry the land tile count times 0.5. Add number of bonus resources. | When starting locations are not determined by the map script (and most map scripts don't), then a starting continent is chosen for each player by CvPlayer::findStartingArea. That function computes a score for each continent and selects the one with the highest score. Part of the score formula is the number of river edges, the number of coastal land tiles (to account for the water surrounding the continent) and the total land tile count. Bonus resources don't count directly, but the total of all tile yields does. |
| Rationale | Too many civs had been placed on continents near the poles. | |
| Tbd. | Would be better to evaluate the surrounding water directly (than to count coastal land tiles); should be pretty easy to do through the Shelf class that I've added in change 300. Should perhaps sometimes, at random, leave a small-ish continent empty. This would make Fractal a bit more unpredictable (a good thing in my mind), but could lead to crammed starting locations. | |
| See also | dlph.35: Further changes to address the same problem. 108 is concerned with the normalization and assignment of starting plots (after they've been selected). | |
| If cheats are enabled, Shift+Ctrl+mouseover on a land tile without any units shows a breakdown of the starting area score. | | |
| | I've used this to figure out where the assignment of starting areas goes wrong, and left it in the code for future adjustments. | |

| 028 | Submarines as escorts | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| attacked, the against the unit may re ordered, i.e defender (codds). Invisible unin the tile auattacker cal | ck with invisible and visible units is the attacking player sees combat odds best visible defender, but an invisible place that defender once the attack is if the invisible unit is the better considering unit cost and combat its don't defend if all the team's units re invisible (same in BtS), i.e. an in't stumble upon an invisible stack, e units don't defend units of other | , |
| Rationale | Not plausible for a Submarine to sit by while e.g. a fully loaded Transport gets attacked by another Sub. The new behavior makes Subs worse in situations when the defenders are outnumbered by modern ships, e.g. a Transport (or just a Work Boat) and a Sub against four Battleships. That said, players can easily prevent this by not stacking Subs with visible units. All in all, the change should make Subs (and Stealth Destroyers) a bit more useful. | |
| See also | Depends on changes to CvPlot::g | etBestDefender made for <u>061</u> . |

| 029 | Changes to recon missions | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| until the <i>end</i> | of the subsequent turn of the recon | Visibility ends on the <i>start</i> of the owner's subsequent turn. If the options for showing foreign moves are enabled, the player still sees all foreign moves before the fog of war returns. |
| • | | Auto recon and queued recon missions are barely usable because tiles are only visible from the end of one turn to the start of the next. |
| Rationale | During the owner's turn, nothing happens in the fog of war, so there isn't much of a point in hiding the tiles at the start of a turn. (It can make a difference for air strikes.) The advantage of my change is that players no longer need to remember which units had been visible, and it makes it easier to automate recon. | |
| Tbd. | Would still be nice the have a "Recon until canceled" mission that repeats recon on the same tile every turn (akin to the Blockade mission; on that note "Blockade for one turn" would be nice to have too). OrionVeteran had started to implement something like this but didn't finish it. | |
| | | g units on recon to be intercepted, ideally even educe the number of revealed tiles (-2 radius), s (-3 radius). |

| 030 | Peaks can separate areas | |
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| Config | PASSABLE_AREAS flag in GlobalDefines_advc. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| landmass ur | r several peaks make parts of a nreachable by land, that secluded ed as separate land area. | Only water can separate land areas. |
| Rationale | Should make things easier for the Al obstacles because of closed borders | . The AI still has to be able to handle dynamic s, and it can (but not that well). |
| | landmasses, but that seems like too | olonies and single-continent wonders on BtS much work. When e.g. Notre Dame is completed geBuildingHappiness on all areas with the |
| Tbd. | The additional areas increase savegame sizes and memory usage by a few KB. Could offset this by not having water areas allocate memory for e.g. each civ's building effects. About a dozen arrays are unnecessary for water areas. Could set these to <code>NULL</code> in the constructor and allocate memory only when an area becomes a water area, i.e. when <code>CVArea::reset(id,true,false)</code> is called. Accessors would have to check whether the arrays are <code>NULL</code> . | |
| | Could also eliminate water areas that | at are entirely enclosed by ice. |
| unreachable separate wa let the civs s Warrior (i.e. | ce makes part of a water area , that secluded part is treated as a ter area. Exception: In scenarios that tart with more than just a Settler and don't call CvGame::setInitial er areas are as in BtS. | Only land can separate water areas. BBAI had tried and failed to implement separate areas for ice; see comments in ::areaValid (CvGameCoreUtils). |
| (No change | to the trade rules.) | Trade cannot pass through ice (nor peaks). |
| movement s | e a lot of code related to unit o that the AI recognizes that | The AI handles submarines well but builds all sorts of ships in cities cordoned off by ice. |
| areas. | can pass between adjacent water | Barbarian ships can also spawn trapped in ice. |
| is not suppo | ous canMoveAllTerrain unit ability rted by my code. (Shouldn't crash, on't be aware of potential attacks.) | I don't think the BtS AI supports it either. Anyway, no unit actually has this ability. (Gunships can't enter water.) |
| global warm recalculated | added or removed (WorldBuilder, ing), the water areas are not , i.e. the AI remains unaware if e.g. st Passage opens up. | |
| A city adjacent only to an ice-locked water area of fewer than 10 tiles can't construct buildings like Lighthouse that require an adjacent water area of at least 10 tiles. | | |
| Rationale | Shipbuilding in ice-locked cities makes the AI look very bad. | |
| Tbd. | data are stored at the CvArea object warming. Another issue is that placir recalculated land areas, which should | a running game because various statistics and Als; hence the exceptions for scenarios and globaling a Peak through WorldBuilder currently leads to lid be fine when creating a scenario, but bad when kiting WorldBuilder. Should bite the bullet and |

| | write code that preserves per-area data after recalculation. | | |
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| | Also, plot groups (for trade network) aren't currently updated after removing ice. (That's not an issue introduced by change 030, but still) | | |
| | Or, if I can't do the above, I should at least change global warming so that Ice can only melt when it is orthogonally surrounded by water (so that water areas are unaffected by global warming). | | |
| | Could limit the (step) diameter of water areas (by limiting the search depth of the calculateAreas_visit function), which might help the AI when the geography resembles the American continent (minus the Panama Canal). Then again, distances between coastal cities are rarely long enough to make naval movement between then impractical. | | |
| | Regarding Lighthouses in ice-locked cities: Easier to implement this way. Also plausible that a lighthouse isn't helpful in a city that is locked away from maritime trade. | | |
| See also | 033: The checks for naval blockade had relied on water areas not being adjacent to each other, so I had to change these checks. 051 is responsible for calculating areas in scenarios. | | |
| likely to place a Peak on tiles orthogonally adjacent to water than on other tiles. as inland. A Peak that is orthogonally water can make part of a landmass in via land. (Inland Peaks could do that the but would have to form a circle.) Almost map scripts bundled with Civ 4/Warlor | | It seems that Peaks are just as likely near water as inland. A Peak that is orthogonally adjacent to water can make part of a landmass inaccessible via land. (Inland Peaks could do that too in theory but would have to form a circle.) Almost(?) all map scripts bundled with Civ 4/Warlords/BtS are based on Fractal, but PerfectMongoose isn't. | |
| Rationale | On Earth, a drop in height from above the tree line to sea level is rarely so abrupt that it would justify a Peak next to a water tile, though there are some examples, in particular in the Central Andes. Still, there is (always?) a coastal strip wide enough to be traversed even by an army, so Peaks completely denying land access to an area is not realistic. Then again, the Darién Gap does prevent traffic by land between the Americas. This is a case of swamps more than mountains, but Civ doesn't have a swamp terrain type. As a compromise, I'm making Peaks that block coastal movement less likely rather than impossible. | | |
| 0 | This discussion on CFC is somewhat related. | | |
| Config | Implemented in Python (CvMapGeneratorUtil.py) | | |

| 030b | Al doesn't train cargo units for naval assault in land/ice-locked waterbodies | |
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| AdvCiv | | BBAI |
| Build cargo units for naval assault only in coasta cities that share a water area with an enemy city | | Build cargo units for naval assault in all coastal cities that don't have a land path to an enemy city. |
| | Change 030 generally prevents cities that aren't adjacent to "relevant" water areas from building ships, but doesn't address the specific case of building up for a naval assault. | |
| Tbd. | The tracking of city counts per water area may not be totally reliable in scenarios. See comment in CvPlot::processArea. | |

| 031 | Changes to AI found value: Revised most of the code, rearranged it a bit and made several additions | | |
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| See also | 108 makes changes to the found value of the initial city (which is important for starting plot normalization). 040 assigns a found value to unrevealed tiles. 052: changes AI found behavior in scenarios 007 makes some changes to the found values computed when the Alt key is held down in Debug mode. | | |
| Tbd. | I don't think that the K-Mod found value computation takes city specialization into account at all. | | |
| | The BtS code was already messy, and it's really bad now. Should be moved into a separate class. | | |
| AdvCiv | AdvCiv K-Mod | | |
| resource in t to work at lea tiles without | Al considers settling on tiles without any bonus resource in the city radius if the city can expect to work at least 3 freshwater tiles. Also considers tiles without any "good" resource if there are at least two (not-so-good) resources. Tiles without a good bonus resource in the city radius are disregarded; resources that the Al doesn't have access to yet and food resources are considered as "good". | | |
| based on era | Reduced the impact of distance from capital sased on era. No distance penalty for small-ish andmasses near the capital. Strong and uncapped impact of distance in all eras, making the AI highly reluctant to settle each the New World on Terra. | | |
| Rationale | A river (or oasis) without resources is rare, but can be worth settling on (esp. with Flood Plains). | | |
| | About the impact of distance: Need to be careful not to revive the AI habit of planting colonies on a far edge of foreign territory. I think that used to happen in Vanilla Civ 4 and in Civ 3. | | |

Fixed a likely bug in the K-Mod evaluation of additional copies of a resource near a city site.

Utility of happiness/health/strategic resources (i.e. not the utility from yield) halved when the resource can't be worked yet. Further reduced if there is already an improved copy available.

Reduced the penalty for bad tiles near a city site by subtracting a multiple of the number of bad tiles rather than dividing by it. Decreased the base utility that the found value starts at.

Utility reduced when a site has very little food; to The code that checks the available food only the point of making the AI unwilling to settle completely dry areas. The penalty is not applied to resource trade values though, so the AI could e.g. settle in the middle of a desert in order to get account e.g. regular Grassland Farms, and the access to Oil.

Snow, desert and tundra hills counted as bad tiles. Ocean tiles count as half bad.

When a resource enables units, the AI power values (from XML) of those units are factored into the utility value of the resource (which, in turn, factors into found value).

Increased the utility counted for yields from bonus resources, especially if these yields are provided from a small number of powerful resources.

The per-tile utility values are decreased by a constant, then sorted in descending order and multiplied by decreasing weights. The total is multiplied by a normalization factor to keep it on a similar scale as in BtS. The special penalty for the end of the found value computation. bad tiles is much lower than in BtS.

Especially extra copies of strategic resources had been way overrated.

Utility computed as if the resource could be worked. Unimproved copies not taken into account. This leads the AI to aggressively settle near any Oil sources when Oil isn't yet workable.

Sites with 10 or more bad tiles practically never settled. The bad-tiles check seems to be the main guard against settling land that isn't (ever) worth settling.

takes into account food on resource tiles, along the lines of "the Grassland Cow will allow this city to work its Plains Hill Gold" but doesn't take into low-food penalty is rather moderate. It applies to the trade values of resources though (although trading/ sharing of resources does not require the tile to be worked).

Hill and ocean tiles are never counted as bad (nor half bad).

Evaluates the unlocked units only based on how useful they are compared with other currently available units. Tends to overrate Iron and underrate Oil and Uranium (once they can be worked).

Utility is assigned based on the total yield from bonus resources (assuming they're all improved and worked); the number of resources doesn't matter in this context.

The per-tile values are mostly based on tile vields. The values are summed up without weights (or with uniform weights if you will). A special penalty is applied for "bad" tiles toward

Rationale

The subtracted constant represents the food consumed by the citizen working the tile and largely replaces the bad-tile penalty. The food consumption is the reason why e.g. a yield of 2 food and 2 production is about twice as good as 2 food and 1 production. The weights give the AI a tendency to prefer a few good tiles over a lot of mediocre (or marginal) ones. A few powerful resources (e.g. Gold, Pig) are preferable to several weak resources (e.g. Silk, Fur) because, in the latter case, it takes longer and costs more food to grow the city enough to work all the resources. Also, while cities with few worthwhile tiles aren't very profitable, they also don't cost much maintenance because the population stays small.

Tbd.

Shouldn't count bad tiles at all. The counting of "special" yields from resources is also dubious; should be possible to cover these through the tile weight distribution. The "taken" tiles count also seems redundant.

| | old for founding a city increases ne second half of the game. | Increases only based on number-of-cities maintenance, not game progress. |
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| Threshold lo owned corpo | wered based on the number of brate HQs. | Threshold lowered based on total city maintenance (to prevent overexpansion), which includes corporation maintenance and can lead to very high thresholds once corporations have spread. |
| Rationale | Toward the end of the game, too little amortize. | e time remains for cities to become profitable and |
| | in the game. At that point, high city n | uintenance before the Modern era, i.e. not that late naintenance shouldn't worry the AI too much gh yields that can be turned into gold if necessary. |
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| sea, especia production, v | utility assigned for access to the lly when the site doesn't offer much when already having many coastal nen playing on Pangaea. | Code added to encourage coastal cities for more AI shipbuilding but doesn't take into account how much production these cities would actually have. Also adds a clause that gives a substantial |
| • | ncourage the AI to found at least ies at a coast. | extra boost to coastal sites when fewer than 25% of the owned cities (rounded down) are coastal. This can lead to coastal cities in totally awful sites. |
| Rationale | and that's OK with me if it helps mak | e more AI coastal cities than would be rational, te naval units viable. But I see no reason to have stal cities – being entirely landlocked isn't a |
| Tbd. | Taking the map script name into acc | ount could help in other parts of the AI too. |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| | ech requirement for removing Jungle n taken into account. | The AI happily settles its second city in the middle of Jungle. |
| due to bad h | ance to settle sites that will lose food ealth during the Ancient and a. No change for other eras (except k). | |
| | utility for chopping opportunities, ood health capped. | Chopping only accounted for indirectly through good health. |
| Tbd. | My code for chopping utility is actual count the Forests and compute the t | ly also only based on good heath. Should instead otal chopping yield. |
| rate at a city land tiles onl grants produ production) o | uting the total potential production site, count 1 production for non-Hill y if a worthwhile improvement that ction (i.e. a Workshop with +2 can actually be built there. | Count 1 production for any non-Hill land tile, even a Peak and regardless of available technology. |
| 2 production | per Hill (no change). | |

Some utility is counted for tiles in the radii of other cities, i.e. tiles that could be stolen from rival cities or shared with a friendly city. Such tiles disregarded. For tiles outside city radii that are are not counted as bad tiles.

Stolen tiles: Tile utility is reduced through essentially the same formula that K-Mod uses for tiles that have a rival owner but aren't in any city radius. I'm making that formula more pessimistic doesn't expect the new city to win any contested overall and especially for tiles in a rival city radiustiles.

because the rival city owner is more likely to focus on culture when there is a contested workable tile. A second (new) formula accounts for potential diplomatic (or not so diplomatic) consequences of stealing tiles. This formula is personality-based (Protective trait, power threshold for limited war).

Shared tiles: I'm counting only those tiles that are going to be assigned to the new city, and only tiles that the old city is probably not going to need in the medium term (i.e. not until it grows three more times). Even then, the old city is normally going to miss the tile at some point, and I'm reducing the yield value counted for the new city to about 40% to account for this. The tile is counted fully for deciding whether the new city is going to have sufficient food and production.

I haven't changed the AI code that assigns shared tiles to cities.

Tiles within the radius of a city (rival or friendly) are counted as "bad tiles" and otherwise within rival borders, tile utility is decreased (a bit, say, by 25%) based on the amount of foreign tile culture.

The AI can place cities close to each other, it just

When the radii of two cities owned by the same Al civ overlap, the tiles are assigned based on step distance with orthogonal vs. diagonal as a tiebreaker. K-Mod adds a routine for reassigning tiles when close to a culture victory (CvCityAI::AI getCityImportance).

| Rationale | floodplains) more densely than regi | ettle map regions with abundant resources (or ons with normal or scarce resources, in particular ace a lot of resources in Europe). Multiple cities er than a single city can. |
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| | K-Mod comment in CvPlayerA::AI is counted for taken tiles. Tile sharin | _foundValue_bulk: "it kind of sucks that no value ng / stealing should be allowed." |
| | are really bad tiles, but it's difficult to | city radius that the new city is very unlikely to win count them as such because of the structure of kludge anyway; I'm not sure that it's needed shortcut to improve performance). |
| | karadoc on the bad-tile clause (CvP condition is not something I intend | layerA::AI_foundValue_bulk):"this final d to keep permanently." |
| Tbd. | Ideally, the formula for diplomatic co the rival is a military threat. | onsequences of stolen tiles should check whether |
| See also | 099b (culture decay) makes it a bit radius. | easier to steal tiles, especially those outside a city |
| The Financi tile yield. | al trait is factored into the predicted | Only done for river tiles, not for coastal tiles. Al civs with a unique naval unit or coastal building have a preference for coastal spots, but the Financial trait has no such effect. |
| See also | The nerfed Financial trait (908a) stil | benefits coastal tiles. |

| settle at a p | ith Growth flavor are more inclined to Growth flavor biases the AI toward settling at a plot distance of 6 or more(!) from the nearest city than leaders without Growth flavor. Plot distance is computed as max{deltaX,deltaY} + floor(0.5 * min{deltaX,deltaY}). |
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| Rationale | Growth flavor should mean that a leader likes big cities, so the city radii shouldn't overlap much. Cities that are 6 tiles apart don't overlap; shouldn't encourage even larger distances that may lead to unworkable tiles (or a another city getting crammed in later on) and high distance maintenance in the early game. |
| areas), four | The possibility of a canal does not affect found value is increased based on the maller of the two seas. The possibility of a canal does not affect found value. The AI considers canals when placing Forts but only under narrow conditions and not on workable tiles, meaning that the AI can't establish a canal after settling in the city radius around the tile that allows for a canal. |
| See also | 121 (partly) deals with the Worker Al for Forts as canals |
| Tbd. | This only works if the two seas are fully separated from each other by land or (through change <u>030</u>) ice. Will have to call the pathfinder to identify mere shortcuts like in Panama or at Suez. Could do it as follows: |
| | At the start of the game let CyGameAI compute a canal value for every land tile. It would be better to do this e.g. once per turn and for each team independently based on the revealed portion of the map and OB agreements, but I think this would be too costly to compute. The canal value of a tile T should equal the number of movement points saved by ships passing through a canal in T. Algorithm: Iterate over the tiles adjacent to T in clockwise order (very cheap to do). Make a list of all water tiles encountered directly after a land tile. In most cases, that list is going to be empty or a singleton; this means the canal value is 0 or very small; set it to 0. If the length of the list is greater than 1 (maximum: 4), i.e. if there are adjacent water tiles separated by land, run the pathfinder on each pair of tiles in the list. Set an upper bound for the path length somewhere between 30 and 40 (won't care if the shortcut is even greater) for efficiency, and let the pathfinder only worry about water, land and impassable tiles. Store the maximum of the computed path lengths as the canal value. Use the canal value for the AI placement of cities and Forts. |
| | lock of BtS code that had increased Al found values by 20% to 50% unless the city be the first colony on a landmass where a rival civ already had a city. |
| Rationale | This was apparently supposed to discourage AI colonies on continents dominated by rivals. Such cities are indeed difficult to hold onto. However, the checks were much too coarse (a single city owned by a rival – perhaps even a friendly one – should not discourage colonization) and the positive-reinforcement approach lead to a high bottom for found values on the home continent, making the AI willing to settle anywhere where an abundance of outright "bad" tiles didn't prevent it. Also, the code did little to drop the found values of exposed colonies below the found threshold, meaning that they were merely deprioritized compared with local cities. That's something that the K-Mod evaluation for distances and empire shape will also accomplish. |

| 031b | Al trains Settlers only probabilistically when city sites are poor | |
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| AdvCiv | BtS/BBAI(?) | |

Al governors compute a priority value for training When the conditions for training a Settler are met Settlers based on the found value of the best city(nothing very urgent to do: at least one city site site, the current found value threshold (which is, whose found value is above the threshold; OK for among other factors, based on expenses) and city to halt growth). Al governors train Settlers the game options Always War and Always with 100% probability regardless of the quality of Peace. Protective leaders and voluntary vassals the city sites. Exception: In defensive wars, the prioritize Settlers more highly. probability is only 50%. When all necessary requirements (no change) for training a Settler are met, the probability of training a Settler is based on the priority value. During the first 100 turns (Normal speed), the probability is typically 100%; so the change tends to matter most between turn 100 and 150. CFC user keldath has pointed out to me here (and in a private conversation) that the See also Al tends to expand too recklessly. In part as a consequence of my changes to AI found value (id 031), the AI will claim Rationale any land where a city can develop if it has relatively few cities (and no better land is available); I think that's working as intended. However, the AI shouldn't be quick to claim land that is barely worth settling. Delaying a Settler for some 5-10 turns can open up new avenues, e.g. through revealing additional tiles or resources. Or perhaps some other civ will claim the site, one whose capital is closer to it; that's also fair enough.

| 032 | Signing a peace treaty when there a | lready is one causes turns-to-cancel to be reset |
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| that already to-cancel ar through a d change <u>146</u> | hace treaty is signed between two cives have a peace treaty, then the turnste reset to 10 turns. This can happen iplo vote or sponsored war (due to a). I don't think gifts and demands are there is already a peace treaty. | |
| Rationale | More intuitive this way. Otherwise, e attacked just one turn after the vote. | e.g. the target of a UN peace proposal could get |

| 033 | Changes to naval blockades, Privateer | |
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| Tbd. | Try excluding Privateers from "show enemy moves". When are messages about pillaging and Privateer combat shown to the player then? Combat log? Is it still possible to deduce the owner of a Privateer from the turn order? Try delaying these messages too. | |
| | The movement bonus from circumnavigation can also reveal a Privateer's identity; I intend to replace that ability with some trade route bonus. | |
| | Or give up the secrecy; seems historically dubious anyway. (Wikipedia: "The convention was a vessel must hoist her true colors before firing the first shot.") | |
| See also | 007 reveals the owners of Privateers when in Debug mode 905b gives Privateer (and Frigate) +1 speed | |
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| | cting gold from Privateers, compute range based on path distance (e.g. an isthmus). | BtS does it all based on air distance. BBAI uses path distance for blockaded tiles, but jdog seems to have forgotten to change the plunder code as well. |
| Rationale | Or they had been worried about pe blockaded plots, which should be q | rformance, but I'm only checking cities adjacent to uick. |
| See also | 030 (ice-locked water areas) depends on this change. 124: Can use blockade to let trade pass through hostile tiles. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS (BBAI and K-Mod made some changes to the Privateer AI, but the basics are unchanged) |
| leader's attitech known doesn't use improvemer this context attitude is e AttitudeThattack. This | ting a city to plunder, the AI takes its tude toward the city owner and the to the city owner into account. The A Privateers against ships and its of partners. What a "partner" is in depends on the AI personality. If the qual to DeclareWarThemRefuse in the shold or worse, AI Privateers will threshold is Pleased, Cautious or rall leaders except Catherine | treat all civs except the Privateer's team alike. |
| Rationale | pillaging. An attack puts the Private | inst one's partners, especially not for attacks and er at risk for no gain and the gold from pillaging Plundering a partner should be OK when there is no |
| Tbd. | ships is fun but just not rewarding. A would also curb the losses of the or implement at this point, and no other | ave some upside for the Privateer owner. Stalking A ransom mechanism would be nice because it wner of the attacked ship but too much work to er mod seems to have implemented this either. A ged state, and any cargo transformed into a single n't be very useful though |
| See also | 130v makes vassals Friendly towar | d their master. |
| O | ssal-master relationship can't pillage | |

| Rationale | be OK, but a master plundering its v supposed to protect the vassal. An A | w. Voluntary vassals plundering their master might rassals (voluntary or not) is jarring; the master is AI change wouldn't stop a human master from as to be prevented on the rules level. |
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| | of vassal/master behave as if they're | and enter each other's cities |
| | This would be a pretty clean approach, but goes a bit too far I think. Implausible that everyone on the vassal's and master's side knows a Privateer's identity, but other civs have no clue. Submarines aren't revealed between vassal and master either. | |
| | If the owner if a vassal/master Privateer is to remain secret, then it has to remain possible (for humans) to attack Privateers; otherwise one could tell who the owner is. And if Privateers can be attacked, they should also be allowed to fight back, so, no restrictions on Privateer combat. It's a little strange that combat is possible, but not pillaging; I guess there's no perfect solution for this. | |
| Credits | Cruiser76 raised the issue <u>here</u> on CFC. | |
| See also | 123e makes it impossible to plunder Barbarian cities | |
| Tbd. | hovering for combat odds, the mous | unit that the Privateer owner is not at war with, and be cursor shows a white circle. I think it should be This isn't a result of my changes; it's a white circle |
| somehow ha | vassals only train Privateers if they ave no other general purpose naval | Capitulation doesn't affect the training and behavior of AI Privateers. |
| unit. | | There is a unit "viability" check |
| All civs stop enters the In | training Privateers once the game adustrial era. | (CvPlayerAI::AI_calculateUnitAIViability) to prevent the production of outdated units, but that's based only on units that the same civ can train, not the global tech level. |
| See also | 130v makes capitulated vassals sub | servient to their master in most regards. |
| Rationale | Capitulated vassals shouldn't even indirectly interfere with their master's goals. Don't want them to use Privateers against civs that the master might like (with a human master, one can never tell) and don't want a blockading Privateer to affect the master indirectly e.g. by cutting off some important sealane. | |
| | er's plunder ability is listed in and help text. | Only mentioned on the BtS concept page about trade blockades. For the Privateer, only the hidden nationality ability is listed. |
| | | A feat message ("Congratulations, you have trained your first Privateer") also explains plundering, but that's a one-time notice. |
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| Rationale Technically, the Privateer doesn't have a special plunder ability. Any ship car plunder if it can manage to blockade a city without declaring war. This rule is obscure though; need to list plundering as a separate ability. | | | |
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| | Also, when a player wonders why a Privateer can't plunder a vassal, that player may look up the Privateer in Civilopedia, and there it'll now say that Privateers have the ability to plunder <i>rival</i> cities. | | |
| AI civs don't | blockade Barbarian cities. | Not sure if the BtS code actually targets Barbarian cities for blockades or only ends up blockading them opportunistically while bombarding. | |
| Rationale | No gain in starving Barbarian cities. | | |
| Tbd. | also blockade. There's no point in thi | ities might still happen, and then the AI would is because Barbarian cities normally only have gates become available, most AI land units | |
| Only Private | ers can blockade at peacetime. | All warships can blockade inside the Open Borders of other civs. This only affects the trade of the ship owner's war enemies (if any). | |
| Rationale | | owner is being blockaded. Also not realistic that a sides of a war would allow a blockade in its | |
| Non-Private | er units can't blockade at all if not at v | var with any civ. | |
| Rationale | | ke sense. The advantage is that blockading units elow) once a war ends (well, once all wars end). units after making peace. | |
| | vner of a tile changes, blockading ile are only woken up if the blockade legal. | Can e.g. prevent a Privateer from collecting gold. | |
| if the blocka the owner of | units are awoken at the end of a turn de is no longer legal; e.g. because the current tile has capitulated, or no longer fighting any war. | Will blockade (to no effect?) indefinitely unless manually woken up. | |
| collectBlo | sistencies between them. Also replace | oredPlots. This should also address some ed some duplicate/ inconsistent code with calls to | |
| because tha calculateP | t function has a range limit (whereas | or computing the tiles affected by a blockade the BtS function CvMap:: | |
| | ne delay after starting/ending a blocka | ups and trade routes. This change mostly ade with a non-Privateer unit; doesn't really help | |
| See also | Without 003m (which caches atward | Count), this could be slightly slow. | |
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| Temporary Open Borders after war (optional through XML, disab | led by default) |
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| agreement is former bellig that agreeme number of tu special OB a "disengagem | ends, an Open Borders (OB) s automatically signed between the erents. Units aren't bumped until ent ends after a configurable trns (recommended: 3 to 5). It's a agreement, internally called a nent" agreement, that does not and diplomacy; only a right of units. | When a war ends, units are immediately bumped out of rival territory, teleporting to the nearest tile that they can legally occupy. The AI is not programmed to anticipate this. |
| Details abou | t the temporary OB agreement: | |
| No movem | nent bonus from roads and railroads. | |
| No risk of g Spies. | getting caught for idle and moving | |
| signed, or | when a proper OB agreement is when a Vassal Agreement or t Alliance is signed. | |
| | "Open Borders (x turns)" on the d and in other help text. | |
| the first tur | n which peace is made counts as rn. When it says "1 turn" remains, greement is canceled at the end of | |
| Unaffected | d by embargoes. | |
| Rationale | stacks from getting stranded. This h remote city, and it can be very harm when when deciding on war/peace a floating defenders. The change also mechanism. | after a war, in particular, to prevent large AI appens quite regularly when the AI conquers a ful for the AI because it still counts on those units against a third party and when calculating needed reduces unit bumping, which is a pretty strange |
| | The ability to explore the territory of a former war enemy just after the war ends is highly immersion-breaking though. It's worse than I had anticipated before implementing this change. | |
| Config | Increase DISENGAGE_LENGTH in Glo | balDefines_advc.xml to enable this change. |
| Tbd. | Not properly tested. | |
| | The "You have made peace with" message (CvTeam::makePeace) should also mention the Open Borders. | |
| See also | culture decay) addresses it a little bi | ess the problem of stranded units. <u>099b</u> (tile it. nded on a different landmass and changes to the |

| 035 | While at peace, civs own all tiles that no other civ could work | |
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| Config | , , | changes) through the OWN_EXCLUSIVE_RADIUS |
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| | switch in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | |
| See also | 099b replaces 035. If 035 is enabled, then the CITY_RADIUS_DECAY part of 099b should arguably be disabled. Revolt chance (101) is adjusted to 035 if it's enabled. | |
| Tbd. | Try letting civs only own those tiles in the exclusive radius where they're somewhat close to having the majority culture; e.g. set a multiplier $m := 75\%$ and let civ A own tile T in its city radius if culture(A,T) > m *culture(B,T) for every civ B that does not have T in a city radius, and culture(A,T)>culture(B,T) for every civ $C \neq A$ that does have T in a city radius. I guess inner and outer radius should be distinguished too. Perhaps too complicated, but, other than that, it might play better than the decay in 099b. | |
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| within the (vicities, or wheat the cities own a no rival city value only radii and folwar, tile cultibetween the may flip whis made. A licities, or with the city of the city | nly own a tile when that tile is either workable) radius of one of the civ's nen it's not within the radius of any ne civ is at peace with. I.e., at peace, all tiles that they could work and that could work, and the highest culture matters for tiles in overlapping city r tiles that are in no city radius. At ture matters on all tiles contested e war parties, and thus some tiles en war is declared and when peace unit that was about to cross the get bumped back upon declaring | The civ with the highest tile culture owns a tile so long as that tile is within the culture range of one of the civ's cities (up to 6 tiles depending the city's culture level). Thus, tiles within a city's radius can belong to a civ that is too far away to work the tile meaning that no civ can work it. War/ peace does not affect tile ownership. |
| Minor AI ch | anges (more below) | |
| Forts: Don't at war. | t build them on tiles that will flip when | |
| war is not y going to flip | When moving to hostile territory and ret declared, try to avoid tiles that are to the enemy upon DoW, and prefer that are going to become friendly. | |
| Rationale | It's implausible that tiles near a city can't be worked by anyone. At least, this shouldn't happen as commonly as it does in BtS. It's a mechanism that encourages culture, but it does so mostly through punishment (loss of workable tiles). A civ with high culture gains tiles, but it's not much of a reward because that civ can't work them; it only gets bonus resources and a tactical advantage, which is somewhat neutralized by the diplopenalty for stealing tiles. My change preserves the tactical advantage. | |
| | ould flip when at war add to border te | overlapping city radii count 50% more than in BtS. nsions; the civ that would own them when at war |
| Rationale | The rules change result in fewer stolen tiles, but I don't want less border tension. The diplo penalty for tiles that flip when at war works against civs with low culture (good), whereas the diplo penalty for stolen tiles works against civs with high culture (not good, as in BtS). | |

147 also changes the border tensions formula.

See also

Al found value: Don't worry much about foreign culture on tiles near a city site, so long as those tiles are not within the radius of a foreign city. Take into account which tiles will flip when settling near a rival city. Rationale The AI should still avoid foreign culture a bit because tiles around the city will flip when the owner of the foreign culture founds a city nearby or when war is declared (making the city difficult to defend). Foreign culture will also add to border tensions (see above), and can cause the city to revolt. See also 031 makes other changes to found value. <u>UWAI</u>: Reduced utility penalty from culture-pressure penalty (GreedForAssets aspect). Tiles lost by war enemies are counted as "lost assets", making the AI more reluctant to make peace when this will flip tiles to the enemy. Flipped tiles could also motivate the AI to start a war that otherwise looks like a stalemate. Rationale A peace treaty practically cedes the tiles around any lost cities to the conqueror. The

Al needs to be reluctant to do that and factor it into reparations.

| 036 | Al changes concerning resource trac | de |
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| See also | 133: Cancelation of resource deals 074 "You must be joking" resources excluded from the trade screen 210d: Alert about Al-Al resource trades 912c changes the ability of the Hereditary Rule civic because 036 would otherwise make too many happiness resources available for trade. 073 makes some changes to the "Resources" tab of the Foreign Advisor screen, in part, to accommodate trade with non-surplus resources better. | |
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| and health cities and t evaluating | es into account the current happiness (and anger and bad health) of its buildings like Grocer and Forge when resources for trade or the placement d improvements (found and build | The AI does a detailed evaluation of strategic resources but assigns the same utility value to every health and happiness resource except that surplus resources are valued less. |
| evaluation trade can b | ntion for trade differs a bit from the for found and build value. Since a pe canceled after 10 turns, the eeds to be useful in the short term. | A single "baseBonusVal". The AI trades for strategic resources long before it needs them. |
| | ses to accept resources with low utility Ve would have nothing to gain". | Not a matter of utility. The AI accepts any resource that it doesn't already have, and any |
| resources ((But the Al | villing to trade away even non-surplus when it doesn't have a use for them. still doesn't wheel and deal, i.e. never ts and imports the same resource.) | resources consumed by its corporations. The AI only trades away resources that it owns (directly; not through import) multiple copies of. |
| accept hea | early game, the AI typically refuses to alth resources in trade and is willing to health resources that it has only one | |
| civs for gol | ws how to buy resources from other Al d per turn and can even out resource- e trades with gold per turn. | Only trades one resource for one resource. |

The price in gold per turn that the AI charges for a resource is computed based on the utility for the recipient and a "market value". The utility of the recipient is computed from the number of its cities, and the happiness and health in those cities if a sufficient portion of the recipient's territory is revealed to the AI. The market value is based on the number of other potential buvers and the number of their cities. The market value tends to be quite a bit lower than the recipient's utility. Relaxed AI attitude threshold for trading away strategic resources when the recipient already has access to the respective resource and only needs additional copies for a corporation. Rationale

Based only on the city count of the seller and the recipient. Resources sold between large civs tend to be overpriced.

The leader-specific threshold applies regardless of whether the recipient already has the resource.

The more flexible AI behavior creates a larger market for resources, allowing civs that lack resources to grow their cities through reasonably priced imports. Should make it more feasible to grow tall without growing wide.

The utility of the seller does not factor into the price for resources because the AI still only trades away resources that it doesn't have much of a use for.

I've considered allowing resources in peace deals, but that's not workable. Too difficult to predict whether there is going to be a trade connection, and the civ providing the resources could just pillage its own roads to get out of the deal. Might also cause problems outside the SDK.

AdvCiv

BUG (Exotic Foreign Advisor)

In the list of resources that the AI is willing to import from the player (Resources tab of the Foreign Advisor), surplus bonuses are listed before bonuses that the player has only one of.

BUG's Foreign Advisor screen (enabled by default; not sure if it can be disabled) lists resources that other civs are willing to import or export on a tab "Resources". The lists are ordered by the (meaningless) internal ids of the resources.

Rationale

It's preferable to trade away surplus resources, so these should be distinguished from other resources that the AI is willing to import. This is not directly related to the AdvCiv changes to AI trade behavior (in BtS, humans can export non-surplus resources as well).

Thd.

I've tried to highlight the surplus resources in the import list somehow, but that's difficult to do because the lists are shown through BUG's IconGrid class, which uses addMultiListControlGFC, and that function treats every listed icon the same way. Perhaps a graphic could be overlaid like it's done under the BUG comment "add the circles behind the amounts" in CvExoticForeignAdvisor.py.

AdvCiv

BtS

The AI makes up to about one third of its total commerce available for trade as gold per turn.

The current income also no longer factors into the amount of cash that the AI is willing to trade. Instead assume an income equal to 20% of the total commerce; this usually leads to more cash for trade than in BtS.

The amount of gold traded per turn is capped at the current per-turn income (commerce times gold slider position minus expenses). This cap is usually a one-digit number or a small two-digit number. Often, it's negative, meaning that the Al is unwilling to trade away any gold per turn.

The amount of cash that the AI is willing to trade is partially based on the current income.

| Rationale | Now that the AI knows how to evaluate resources, there's no harm in making gold available for resource trades. This allows small AI civs to take advantage of the resource market. It also allows large civs to sell most of their surplus resources, but the prices, especially those paid by small civs, are low, so this change helps small civs more than large ones. | |
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| | A low income shouldn't prevent the AI from trading; doesn't imply financial trouble. | |
| See also | 104w lets UWAI decide how much gold the AI should be willing to pay for peace. 104m allows the AI to demand gold per turn as tribute. 026 makes the AI willing to trade even more gold in an AI-initiated one-time offer. 550f determines how much gold the AI saves up (gold target). 210e extends the resource trade alert so that it triggers when the AI becomes willing to import a resource in exchange for gold. 131 deals with avoiding strikes during anarchy; the increased trade budget makes the AI more vulnerable to this. | |
| per turn the "Domestic F | Al will offer or demand for the resource | e Foreign Advisor screen shows how much gold . When hovering over a resource icon in the own; when hovering over a resource icon in the own. |
| See also | 073 changes the headings on the "Resources" tab. | |
| Rationale | Makes it easier to find the best buyer of | or supplier. |
| Tbd. | Optimization of trades is still tedious. Might want to put some mechanism in place to discourage changes, perhaps simply a counter akin to "We fear you're becoming too advanced" that increases whenever a resource trade is signed. | |
| The AI assiç turn, cash). | Al assigns a fixed trade value to gold (per cash). The trade value depends on whether the Al is in financial trouble. | |
| Rationale | trouble. This makes some sense (you' | eceives less gold in trade when in financial re in a bad position to negotiate when you need inances factor into the amount of gold that the od enough to prevent broke civs from |
| The gold per turn and cash that the AI is willing to The amount of gold that the AI is willing to tract trade to another civ is adjusted based on the attitude toward that other civ except when the two civs are at war or when the AI civ is a capitulated vassal. | | |
| Rationale | | never trade" with its worst enemy, that civ ld to that enemy (but shouldn't refuse to pay any |
| | This change should also make attitude | e matter more when tech trading is disabled. |
| | Exception for capitulated vassals: Don plunder the vassal. | 't want the master or the master's friends to |
| decays. ti | | he AI keeps track of how much gold it has aded to every other civ. That amount is ubtracted from the cash that the AI is willing to ade to another civ. This subtrahend tends to ecome negligible over time because the AI enerally becomes willing to trade larger and arger sums of gold as the game progresses. |

Rationale

The amount of gold that a civ is willing to trade (prior to subtracting gold-traded memory) can stagnate, and then the BtS AI can stay unwilling to trade any gold indefinitely. Also, pretty much all other AI memory decays in AdvCiv (cf. 130r).

When asked to "make this deal work," the AI may Never adds non-surplus resources to the table. add resources to the trade table that the human civ has only one copy of if the human civ doesn't

If the human player is offering resources to the AI, then the AI offers to buy them with gold per turn if the current human income is negative, and otherwise tries offering surplus resources in return and uses gold per turn to balance the deal. May offer non-surplus resources as a final option.

have enough gold per turn available for trade.

Tries to give surplus resources, then gold per turn.

Rationale

Had to adjust the counter-propose algorithm to the more flexible AI trade denial behavior (which involved refactoring the entire function).

The human income condition leaves it up to players whether they want the AI to pay in gold or in resources: Just change the gold slider for a moment. Resources are often preferable because the AI doesn't pay much gold, but gold can also be preferable. especially when the player doesn't need the resources of the Al. Players shouldn't have to optimize the deal through trial and error then.

The AI refuses to give away more than 2 nonsurplus resources of the same kind (happiness or surplus resources to their masters. Other civs health) at once, and refuses to accept more than never give away non-surplus resources. 2 resources of a kind at once.

No limit on resources accepted at once.

The precomputed resource values are updated after starting or canceling a trade.

Resource values are precomputed (since the BtS expansion) for efficiency and only updated once per turn.

Capitulated vassals give any number of non-

Rationale

Now that the AI evaluates happiness and health from resources situationally, it must be careful not to buy too many resources at once because the evaluation is done for each resource independently. I.e. the AI knows what e.g. one more happiness is worth, and simply triples that value when three happiness resources are offered (but perhaps needs only one). Similarly, the AI can tell whether it can spare e.g. one nonsurplus happiness resource, but it can't tell if it can spare more than that.

Thd.

Should call AI updateBonusValue each time that the AI connects a resource to its city network (easier said than done). Currently, an AI civ updates its resource values at the start of its turn, so resources connected during the AI civ's turn aren't taken into account until the next turn of that AI civ.

Once per round, all AI-AI deals are checked for cases in which two civs A and B sell resources to each other. If one deal is found in which A sells exactly one resource to B, and another in which B sells exactly one resource to A, and both deals can be canceled, then they're canceled and immediately replaced by a resource-for-resource deal in which one side may additionally have to pay some gold.

Rational

Now that AI civs are able to import resources from other AI civs for gold per turn, resource-for-resource deals have become rather rare because often only one side has a suitable resource available. Sales are harder to read on the Foreign Advisor screen than barters and take up more space. Therefore try to collapse sales into barters.

When trading one resource for another with a human, the AI never asks for 1 gold per turn in Not an issue because all health and happiness resources have the same trade value.

| addition. | | |
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| Rationale | Adding the 1 gold to the trade table i | s tedious, and it makes the AI look petty. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS/K-Mod |
| the value of military units whose bonuses haven t | | |
| Rationale | Since health in the early game is now (correctly) counted as unimportant, the AI tech values of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry need to be adjusted. Prior to this adjustment, the AI often went for Iron Working(!) before Animal Husbandry, even if it had a Cow next to its capital. (Actually, I suspect that this happens in K-Mod too, despite the overestimation of health, but I haven't checked. In unmodded BtS, it's fine.) K-Mod comment on the Axe and Sword evaluation (AI_techUnitValue): "We're quite optimistic mostly because otherwise we'd risk undervaluing axemen in the early game! (Kludge, sorry.)" Undervaluing Axeman isn't a problem currently. | |
| Tbd. | Animal Husbandry may still be a bit underappreciated, but I feel that I shouldn't boost the tech value from resource yields any further. Would have to look into the strategic value counted for Horse. The fact that Wheel enables Chariot complicates matters. | |
| See also | k146 increases the tech value count reduced that effect a bit. | ed for chopping Forests and Jungles; I've also |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The AI values surplus resources based on the potential for trading them away, and (as in BtS) based on corporation yields. | | Unless consumed by a corporation, a surplus resource is valued at 20% of the first copy. This value is sometimes so low that the AI doesn't connect surplus resources. (Perhaps also due to K-Mod changes to the Worker AI and the evaluation of the first copy; not sure if this is a problem in unmodded BtS.) |
| Rationale | The value of the first copy shouldn't affect the value of surplus copies; one resource for trade is as good as another. Tradeable strategic resources might be a bit more valuable than luxury and food resources, but not much; difficult to find buyers for strategics. And the AI needs to connect all its (surplus) resources; it's the correct play most of the time, and can't really hurt. | |
| See also | Prior to v0.92, this change was tagged with advc.121. Change 121 deals with Al Worker builds. | |
| AdvCiv | | Warlords |
| | | Players can demand resources from their vassals by holding down the Alt key while clicking on the vassal's name on the scoreboard. This triggers a confirmation popup listing all resources that the vassal has an excess amount of and that the master doesn't have yet. (In Warlords, this was equivalent to all resources that the vassal was willing to trade to the master because there were jno corporations.) If confirmed, the resources are |

| | demanded as if through "it's time for your tribute." |
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| Tbd. | Perhaps replace this with a "join us in preparing war" popup. I've actually only discovered this shortcut because I was wondering if karadoc had implemented a shortcut for vassal war preparations. |

| 037 | Prevent masters from stifling their voluntary vassals | |
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| Rationale | Voluntary vassals can be difficult to keep, and that's intended. There shouldn't be much that a player can do about this. The game certainly shouldn't reward dirty tricks. | |
| Tbd. | Voluntary vassals should treat "we'd like you to research" and "join us in preparing war" as recommendations and answer "we'll see what we can do" (as opposed to "we'll do our best"). Should also give a noncommittal answer to "why don't you attack." | |
| See also | 033 prevents masters from using Pr | ivateers against their vassals |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |
| when tradin | vassals lower their trade value to 67% 50% ling resources with their master. ed vassals charge the full trade value ge). | |
| _ | tary vassals refuse to trade resources that Are willing to trade all resources. padly need themselves. | |
| Rationale | Don't want the master to starve the vassal's cities by buying the vassal's crucial resources. | |
| | Capitulated vassals aren't a concern because players have no reason to sabota those (they're not going to break away without outside help). Probably no trade discount in BtS because the master can get resources for free through "time for tribute"; fair enough. | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps put some limit on "time for your tribute". | |

| 038 | Top Civs popups | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The "top civs" pop up ("Pliny the Elder has completed his great work:") appears for the first time on turn 80, then every 40 turns, but stops appearing once the active player has met more than half of the other civs. The appearance frequency is adjusted to the game speed. | | game. No game speed adjustment. |
| Rationale | The popup interferes with shown foreign moves, and it's somewhat obsoleted by the Statistics screen (demographics). That said, demographics only become available once a civ is met. When starting in isolation or on a continent with few other civs, it's nice to get some sign of intelligent life from the rest of the world. | |
| Config | TOP_CIVS_INTERVAL in GlobalDefines_advc. That setting can also be used to disable the popup entirely, as had been the case prior to AdvCiv v0.92. The conditions for showing the popup are easy enough to modify through the turnChecker function in CvTopCivs.py. | |
| Tbd. | The map-centering effect (Calendar | , Stonehenge) also gets in the way of shown |

| | | the beginning of turns. This may require a variable ech. Won't have to be stored in savegames. |
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| GNP values | est" civs are ranked based on their (see <u>004s</u>). The "most advanced" e with the highest total cost of known | Based on gold in the treasury. "Most advanced" based on the number of known techs. |
| Rationale | gold, but "wealth" just doesn't really information, so it doesn't hurt to have equal probability of being shown). G | ful statistic. GNP is more about research than play a role in Civ 4. Research is the most useful e two rankings about that (the rankings all have NP is hopefully different enough from the tech h civ is coming up in research, the latter says |
| | the AI does, so the tech count tends | ling in the early game. Humans beeline more than to underestimate the human performance. Not ly be leading in tech that he/she is falling behind. |
| | is chosen based on the displayment PRNG (SorenRandNum). | Based on a non-synchronized PRNG, meaning that the outcome can change after reloading a savegame. |
| Rationale | | egic importance; should be consistent when e because top civs popups don't appear in |
| from the two | the historian is chosen at random names that I've assigned to each Machiavelli and Tacitus for the ful" civs. | The historian is chosen at random from among 11 names regardless of the type of ranking. |
| Rationale | Just for historical immersion. | |
| Config | I've hardcoded the assignment of his | storians to rankings in CvTopCivs.py. |

| 039 | Reparations (payments for peace) are announced to third parties | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| reparations, | vs make peace and one side pays then all other civs receive a list of ons in the peace-made message. | Third parties only learn that peace was made and, apart from capitulation, nothing about the peace conditions. Can tell though whether a city was ceded – the owner changes, but there is no "captured" message. By monitoring discovered techs and gold available for trade, it's also possible to guess whether a tech or gold was received. No other reparations are possible between AI civs. |
| Rationale | To make AI behavior more transparent. The peace terms are not so secret anyway (not in the real world either). | |
| Config | Can be disabled through ANNOUNCE_REPARATIONS in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | |
| Tbd. | Would like to make all trades transparent. See Tbd. at <u>210</u> (Civ4lerts). After all, the Al already learns about trades with its worst enemy and all tech trades (for "fear you're becoming too advanced" memory). | |

| 040 | Al improvements for settling other co | ontinents |
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| See also | 300: Barbarian placement on continents without civilizations. 905a gives ships better stats (cost, speed, cargo capacity). 031 reduces the impact of distance on AI found value. 113 comprises some improvements to Woker ferrying | |
| Tbd. | Would like a Columbian Exchange n World once a copy is obtained from | nechanism that reveals resources in the Old the New World. |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| When an AI civ has no city on a continent, it counts unrevealed tiles in the city radius as average tiles when computing found values (with a number of exceptions and restrictions). The Settler may change its mind once it gets to the spot and reveals its surroundings. | | Unrevealed tiles don't add anything to found values. This makes the AI very reluctant to settle a continent that it has only explored from the sea. |
| Rationale | | oration. Not so easy; how can the AI tell that a coloration (without circumnavigating it first)? panied by a Scout/ Explorer? |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI |
| | es Settlers trained in inland cities to | Inland AI Settlers wait indefinitely for a ship. |
| coastal cities when there are no city sites on the continent. | | BBAI comment: "TODO: Go to a good city (like one with a transport)" |
| - | olem with Workers taking up all the hip that is supposed to transport a | Update — It seems that ships not having room was the main problem, and that my new CvUnitAI::AI_moveSettlerToCoast function is now largely superseded by AI_load. Though I'm still seeing the AI use AI_moveSettlerToCoast occasionally. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When a workable tile or an owned tile with a resource is on a landmass where an Al civ doesn't have cities, that civ will (eventually, when Workers don't have much else to do) transport a Worker to the landmass. | | The never sends a Worker to such a landmass, and tiles there remain unimproved forever. When evaluating city sites, regular yields of land tiles in the city radius that are located on a landmass where the AI doesn't have cities are |
| Al found value computation: As in BtS, but the trade value of offshore resources (i.e. on a landmass without cities) is partially counted. | | fully counted, but no trade value and no special yields are counted for resources on such tiles. (See CvPlayerAI::AI_foundValue for the meaning of regular yields vs. special yields; complicated.) |
| See also | the same landmass as the resource attractive as the owner doesn't have | connected without the need for a city or Fort on This makes offshore resources a little more to choose between connecting the resource yields (through a non-Fort improvement). |
| | Change 040 shares some code with | <u>121</u> . |

| 041 | Can train ships in any coastal cities | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Cities adjacent to any water area larger than a lake can train ships and construct a Dry Dock. The AI ignores this change, i.e. builds ships/ Dry Dock only in cities at a size-20 water body. | | Can train ships and construct Dry Dock only in cities adjacent to a water area of at least 20 tiles. Other coastal buildings require only 10 water tiles, which is also the threshold for a salt water lake. |
| Rationale | Since BtS, it can make sense to train naval units in small water areas because Forts can act as canals into larger water areas. Implausible that this should not be allowed. Since the AI doesn't have a notion of canals, it needs to stick to the old rules though. | |
| | This change also eliminates the confusion about two different area size thresholds (10 for buildings, 20 for units). Cities are now either proper coastal cities, or only (fresh water) lake-side cities. | |
| | Don't want to allow shipbuilding at lakes because it's confusing to see shipbuilding options on the city screen of some inland city with a 1-tile lake. Dawn of Mankind players have also <u>argued</u> that small lakes aren't deep enough for constructing and launching oceangoing ships. | |
| Tbd. | By allowing Lighthouse in lake-side cities, I could remove the awkward incentive for founding in tiles that are both coastal and lake-side. | |
| | But I'd rather treat Lake tiles as being a terrain different from Coast and Ocean, and thus unaffected by Lighthouse (and Colossus, Moai); then give Lake +1 food, -1 commerce from the start (i.e. like Oasis but 1 less commerce). | |
| See also | 030 prevents coastal buildings in ice-locked cities. | |

| 042 | Anticipate border expansion when considering to train Work Boat | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| needed, the Al predicts border expansion 5 turns in advance. | | E.g. if the capital has seafood in its outer ring, the AI doesn't consider Work Boat as its very first order. Or in a new city that can expand its borders quickly through the leader trait or Culture process. |
| Rationale | This was a somewhat disproportionate amount of work to implement. Though I do need it for Japan in the <u>EuroWorld</u> scenario. | |

| 043 | Dan Quayle scale adjusted | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| of at least 10 victory is at 7 | | 15 000 suffice for the best victory, the next thresholds are 14 000, 13 000, Dan Quayle is below 3000. |
| | reach for an experienced player. Mo | Julius Caesar", so this is apparently too easy to bre of a logarithmic scale now, covering a wider the original scale worked OK in Vanilla Civ 4; expansions. |
| Tbd. | The state of the s | ncrease the weight of victory date and difficulty. as early as possible on the highest possible |

| | difficulty. Though the bigger issue is that yields increase too much in the Industrial era, so a lot of points can scored by drawing the game out. |
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| | Should also move the formula into the DLL so that R&F can access it (see comment in RFTotalScore::updateString). |
| See also | 707: The Rise & Fall scores are normalized to match this new scale. |

| 044 | No auto-save after loading initial auto-save | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| There's still a map, which r | an auto-save after regenerating the | When the initial auto-save is loaded, the game immediately auto-saves again, overwriting the savegame just loaded and deleting all other autosaves. |
| | , | oading, and the deletion of other auto-saves is happen when a new game is started (via the main |

| 045 | Hide rival buildings | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| and that he/ (small and g buildings the change (Lig models on t | ere the player doesn't have a unit ashe can't investigate, only wonders great), defensive buildings and at can be inferred from their plot yield hthouse, Levee) are shown as 3D he main interface. Whether a city is war (still) doesn't matter. | All buildings are shown in all revealed cities. |
| Rationale | every turn whether a building was cobeing produced when no (ordinary) detailed knowledge about the AI coo | is all cities of a rival revealed, he/she could check completed, and infer that units or wonders are building gets completed for some time. With de, it might also be possible to deduce the Al less this, but the game still shouldn't reward it. |
| | The change could improve performations usage, which isn't an issue in AdvCi | ance, but probably just reduces the main memory v. |
| | And it makes the important buildings | s (wonders, Walls, Castles) easier to spot. |
| | | buildings whenever a city is visible (i.e. not ter for gameplay; I think showing them only when e. |
| Credits | | don't check if the city could be investigated or if louse and Levee. Link to source code (1 MB file): |
| Tbd. | shown that were present when the c | on buildings, i.e. only those buildings should be city was last visible. Doesn't seem that hard to buildings are ever shown in the fog of war now, the negligible. |
| | | s. Now that the player doesn't learn about most generate too many messages. See also Tbd. |

| | under <u>210</u> . |
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| See also | 120d removes the Sabotage Building cost from the Espionage screen; could otherwise use that cost to learn about the cheapest building in a city. |

| 046 | Pickup of stranded units | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Just some te transportatio | entative minor improvements to the on AI so far. | Units can get stranded on landmasses without friendly cities by razing the only cities or by making peace without conquering any. I think the BtS AI just leaves them there. BBAI has added AI routines for picking up such units, though, judging by the K-Mod changelog, the BBAI code worked only in certain cases. |
| Tbd. | Not much; don't want to spend time | on low-level AI functions. |
| | land units in land areas with an ener an upper bound) to the entangled ur | units when evaluating the tactical situation: Count my city and no friendly city. Could add these (with nits or so. Get the relevant areas by going through all areas is often costlier because of islands and |
| Credits | CFC user vedg <u>reported</u> units not go savegames. | etting picked up in K-Mod 1.46 and provided |
| See also | 040 and 082 also deal with the trans | sportation AI. |
| | ing where to place a bumped land sses where the unit owner has a city | When a unit needs to be removed from the territory of a rival because of an ended war or canceled Open Borders agreement, that unit gets "bumped" to the nearest tile it can legally occupy. Tiles on the unit's current landmass are preferred (tiles on a different landmass are effectively considered to be 1.5 times more distant than their air-line distance). |
| Rationale | to enforce teleportation to a friendly | common, especially on tiny islands. I don't want city because this could be exploited for moving ar. At least for now, distance should remain the |
| See also | 034 (disabled) was an attempt to av 163 spends the movement points of | |
| Added a cla | use to discourage teleportation of sh | ips into lakes. |
| Rationale | | the ships could be irretrievably lost. I've never had the "We the People" mod suggests to me that it |

| 047 | Help text for resource tiles revised | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| The help tex | t shown when hovering over a tile | karadoc already made some improvements; a |
| with a resour | rce is now hopefully clearer and | comment says: |

| (marked with giving away) In the example says: "Grassland, 2 Uranium (with Mine Road" If there is no Uranium (with Uranium (with Mine) "Grassland, 2 Uranium (with Mine)" | so a minor Vanilla Civ 4 bug id 001 in my code) that had been rival improvements in the fog of war. ble on the right, the text now simply 2 food, 2 production, 3 commerce h Fission) Mine: | "I've rearranged and edited some of the code in this section to fix some bugs." E.g. says for a Uranium Mine owned by the player when the player has Physics but not Fission: "Grassland, 2 food, 2 production, 3 commerce Uranium, Research: Fission, Requires: Mine +2 production, +3 commerce (with Mine) Mine Road" |
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| Rationale | The example is what prompted my o | changes. |
| See also | Somewhat dependent on <u>135c,</u> which | Ch refactors CvGameTextMgr::setPlotHelp. |

| 048 | Changes to combat odds text | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| attacker, the of the select | ed units is about to attack. | When more than one unit is selected, the next attacking unit is chosen for the human player by the AI. Which unit is chosen can only be inferred from the strength value and odds breakdown. In |
| defending ur (The units ar | nit is shown. | BtS, the same goes for the defending unit. K-Mod indicates the defending unit through the 3D model shown on the map, but, on the attacker's tile, 3D models of multiple units are shown when multiple units are selected. |
| No separate | | If either of the two combatants is damaged, the current hitpoints are shown after the combat odds. |
| defending ur | nit are shown by default. ACO is still | By default, ACO shows the defending unit as a one-line short description with promotions. The attacking unit is not shown by default. |
| menu, the m | nges to the arrangement of the ACO enu text, default settings and ine also tagged with id 048. | The settings "always", "never", "normal" and "alternate" are a bit difficult to understand in the original menu. |
| Tbd. | about to attack. It's easy enough to accordingly in CvGameTextMgr::set center unit and shows a mix of 3D n changed. In any case, the one-line of from the 3D model which promotion | pane should show the unit that is about to attack. |
| Rationale | , | inits are about to fight. ACO already had an option |

| | for this, but I don't want to use ACO | because I find it too bulky. |
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| | Hitpoints: The one-line descriptions a strength, which is how the UI usually | already include the current strength and the total represents hitpoints. |
| AdvCiv | 1 | BtS |
| changes aboview the unit held while or attack. If the to make a sr | m to the group attack display ove: Can hold down the Alt key to twith the highest survival odds or, if rdering the attack, to force that unit to Alt key is not held, the game is free marter attack. Either way, the odds ws which unit is about to attack. | When an attack is ordered with multiple units selected, the game always makes a "smart" choice that also takes into account a) how valuable the potential attackers are and b) whether they inflict collateral damage. a) was added by the BtS expansion and it seems that they forgot to update the odds display, which is only based on b), meaning that the displayed odds often don't match what happens when an attack is ordered. |
| Config | is shown. This can be disabled throu | e highest survival odds, a hint about pressing Alt gh GlobalDefines_advc.xml. If ACO is enabled disabling the "Instructions" option will also disable |
| Rationale | | istency in BtS by showing only the smart choice, ds to be a way to just see the best odds. |
| Tbd. | | BD models (see <i>Tbd.</i> above), there will also be the whenever the Alt key is pressed and released. Not |
| | Perhaps the smart choice should pricted exact same procedure as for Al QCVSelectionGroupAI::AI_getBest | • |
| See also | The Alt key functionality depends on | 011b (Ctrl key for pre-building). |
| 048b | Replaced a few uses of the word "re | treat" with "withdraw" in help text. |
| Rationale | Game terms should be used consist the context of a <u>combat round limit</u> in | ently. Plus I may want to use the term "retreat" in the future. |

| 049 | The AI doesn't build roads in human territory. (But may upgrade human roads to railroads.) |
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| Rationale | If the human pillages those roads, the AI keeps rebuilding them, which can permanently occupy several AI Workers. Also, ultimately, humans should be in control over the roads in their territory. |
| Tbd. | Implemented through a new pathfinder flag. I'm not sure that I'm using that flag in all the right places; should take another look some time to make sure I'm not preventing pathfinder instances from being reused, which could hurt performance. |

| 050 | Earth scenario |
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The EuroWorld scenario is not part of AdvCiv yet, but I've already made some changes in AdvCiv to accommodate that scenario:

300 prevents large deserts from filling up with Lions.

140 reduces the effects of various world-size modifiers. Earth scenarios tend to be crammed

despite their great size, so the BtS modifiers don't work well.

171 lets the Al pick religions in chronological order ("Choose Religions" option) when no favorite is available.

<u>040</u> allows the AI to improve tiles on small islands in the radius of a mainland city (e.g. needed for Sardinia, which is in the city radius of Rome).

042 (city AI anticipates border expansion) is helpful for the Tokugawa AI – perhaps also in other Earth scenarios.

And all the changes with id 05-something.

Designer's notes: In a scenario, when holding down ALT while hovering over a tile with a resource, the game displays a short text that explains why the resource was placed there if the scenario comes with a game text file containing such designer's notes. See
Civ4GameText Earth18Civs.xml for an example.

Disabled when in Debug mode (because ALT key has a different function then).

| I'm not sure if I'm ever going to use this – would have to be done for most resource locations (if not all) to make sense. |
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| ALT key shows combat odds instead of plot help when hovering over a unit. <u>004</u> disables this when the unit is owned by the player – one can't attack one's own units. |

| 051 | Initial game state in scenarios | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| In scenarios, civs receive free tech from the game difficulty in addition to any free techs defined by the scenario. | | Only free units are received based on the game difficulty (but only if the scenario doesn't define any free cities or units; no change). |
| Rationale | | e a smaller impact in scenarios like Earth18Civs ence of free Archers leads to problems with very arios. |
| See also | 104u fixes issues with AI initialization 126 grants free tech from game diffic | |
| If a scenario places a wonder or a (super) specialist in a Barbarian city, the GP rate of the city remains 0. E.g. the Earth1000AD scenario places Chichen Itza in a Barbarian city. Probably also an issue when Barbarians conquer a wonder. | | Specialists and wonders in Barbarian cities increase the city's (generic) base GP rate but not the rate toward any particular Great Person because Barbarians don't have GP units. I suppose this means that GP are accumulated, but no Barbarian GP are born(?). |
| Rationale | The GP rates should be consistent, the rates of the individual GP types. | i.e. the base rate should always equal the sum of |
| In scenarios, the start era is set to the mean (rounded down) of the player eras. | | I don't know if there's a way to specificy the start era in a scenario file. Some scenarios have a StartingEra setting in the player sections (after BeginPlayer), which perhaps (not tested) gives that player all techs up to that era, but setting a StartingEra in the game section (after BeginGame) has no effect. The start era is relevant for some modifiers (e.g. cities grow a bit faster when starting Renaissance or later) and for the available wonders. |

| Rationale | This blocks some Ancient wonders in the Earth1000AD scenario. This CFC post lists some problematic wonders. |
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| See also | 008a changes the start era threshold for a couple of wonders. |

| 052 | Adjustments to AI found behavior for scenarios | |
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| See also | Several of the changes under $\underline{031}$ were made with scenarios in mind, but also have a significant effect on randomized maps. | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| are random 1.5%, and v (Settler Unit randomly in (These rand turn to turn, | I chooses its city sites, found values ly increased or decreased by up to when deciding which site to settle next (AI), the respective found values are creased or decreased by up to 4%. dom adjustments do not change from but stay the same for each tile for the e.) Only applies to scenarios. | Neither AI found values nor the choice of the next site are randomized. Randomness in other choices, e.g. research, scouting, city production and Worker builds, can affect AI found behavior, but the placement of the first couple of cities is often perfectly predictable. |
| Rationale | Should improve replayability of scenarios. Not much randomness in the site selection because this could move a city from a locally optimal position into one that is obviously inferior, which makes the AI look bad. | |
| The AI considers training a Settler in a size-2 capital when that capital is slow to grow. The AI normally lets its capital grow to size 3 before training a Settler. Exception: When the capital isn't growing at all or has no decent unworked tiles left. | | |
| Rationale | Capitals with low food but high produsuch capitals don't really occur.) | iction shouldn't wait for size 3. (On random maps, |

| 053 | No Tundra Farms | |
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| Tbd. | Want to allow Farms only on Grassland, Plains and Floodplains. Not implemented ye but I'm letting the AI already treat Tundra river tiles with caution. When the change is made, Tundra river without Forest should also be counted as a "bad" tile. | |
| AdvCiv BtS | | BtS |
| | alue counts only a little extra utility for nt river when a tile has Tundra terrain. | Tundra river tiles are treated the same as other river tiles; quite a bit of utility is added for the river. |
| Rationale | Earth scenarios have large taiga areas along rivers, and these areas are not supposed to be deforested and farmed. Taiga soils are very badly suited for agriculture (and actual tundra soils are even worse). On randomized maps, this shouldn't make a big difference as they generate few Tundra rivers. Settling the far north can still be worthwhile when there are bonus resources. | |

| 054 | Visibility of game options | |
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| See also | 250b: Advanced Start and SPaH | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |

| shown on th | War or Peace" game option is e Custom Scenario screen but not or Game screen. | The option is visible on both screens, but it's equivalent to "Always Peace" unless a scenario sets certain civs to be at war from the beginning. | |
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| Rationale | The option is confusing and superfluous in non-scenario games. | | |
| Config | Set to invisible in Civ4GameOptionInfos.xml. Can be toggled to make the option visible on the Custom Game screen too (as in BtS). The AdvCiv DLL makes the option visible on the Custom Scenario screen regardless of the XML setting. | | |
| Tbd. | Would be nicer to add a field to Civ4GameOptionInfos.xml that determines whether an option shows up on Custom Scenario. | | |
| | 'Lock Modified Assets" is never shown on the (multiplayer) Staging Room screen. Shown both in singleplayer and multiplayer but has no effect in multiplayer. (CvGame::init disables the option, ignoring the setting on the Staging Room screen.) | | |
| Rationale | Not sure why the original developers disabled this (it's already that way in the Vanilla Civ 4 code). Perhaps modified assets will result in OOS errors anyway. | | |
| Tbd. | Should temporarily disable the code in CvGame::init and give this a try. If the option actually works, it could be nice to have for some players. | | |
| | *New Random Seed" on reload is never shown on the Staging Room screen. The option is ignored in multiplayer. No new set is generated (confirmed here by Afforess). That said, with simultaneous turns, CvGame:: updateMoves constantly uses numbers from the synchronized RNG for randomizing the turn order, and this makes random outcomes non-reproducible. | | |
| Tbd. | If the EXE reports the Staging Room setting to the DLL (I haven't checked), it will be easy enough to reseed the RNG. Could then re-enable the option (though it'll still be meaningless with simultaneous turns). | | |
| Can something be done to make randomness reproducible with simultaneous to Can't really debug with this option currently. Mongoose Mod might fix it, but is cl source (change log, 20 Dec 2010: "devised a simple, effective way to lock rando seeds in Network Multiplayer games when the NewRandomSeedOnReload option not enabled"). | | urrently. Mongoose Mod might fix it, but is closed- devised a simple, effective way to lock random | |

| 055 | Global Warming | |
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| See also | Melting ice isn't really supported by <u>030</u> (q.v.). | |
| AdvCiv | K-Mod | |
| When Globa removed. | al Warming hits a Forest, the Forest is The Forest is turned into a Jungle. This behavior may have been adopted from the <u>Global</u> <u>Warming Mod</u> . | |
| Rationale | Seems quite unrealistic to me. The bad health makes sense (think of the spread of the tiger mosquito), but vegetation becoming denser or wetter is too strange. | |

| 056-059 | Still unassigned |
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| 060 | Add-to-spaceship not shown after part completed | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| After completing a Spaceship (SS) part, the player is only taken to the SS screen if the SS is ready to launch. | | Except in networked multiplayer, the player is taken to the SS screen after every completed SS part. The SS screen was added in BtS. |
| Config | BUG menu, "General" tab under "Splash Screens" | |
| Rationale | Finishing one of the sixteen parts isn't such a grand event. | |

| Help text that lists the units in a tile r | ewritten |
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| AdvCiv | BtS |
| The available number of lines is estimated based on the context (whether the mouse is on a tile or on a unit flag or an indicator bubble), screen resolution and font size (if <u>002b</u> is enabled, size 14 is assumed, otherwise size 12). | Fixed limit of 15 units to be listed on a separate line each. |
| If a player has more than 1 unit in the tile, that player's units are listed under a heading, e.g.: Tokugawa (2 Units): Archer 3 str. Combat I | The owner is always shown in-line: Archer, Tokugawa, 3 str. Combat I Archer, Tokugawa, 2/3 str. |
| Archer 2/3 str. If a player has just 1 unit, the owner is shown inline. Due to the larger font, this line sometimes wraps into a second line. | No per-owner unit counts are shown anywhere. |
| The unit count in the heading is broken down into up to three categories if units of more than one category are present. The categories are "army" (military land units), "navy" (military sea units) and "other". E.g.: Tokugawa (1 army, 1 other): Rifleman 14 str. Airship 4 str. | |
| In some cases, the heading is omitted, e.g. when all units in the tile are owned by the active player and they're few enough to count at a glance. | |
| If there isn't enough space for all the units and headings, the information shown about the tile's center unit is (slightly) shortened or shortened to a single line. | Same, though it can't be shortened to a single line. (The center unit is the one shown on the map as a 3D model.) |
| If there still isn't enough space, units that have both the same owner and type are aggregated into a single line, e.g.: Archer (2), 2.5/3 str. Combat I x1 This is applied to all units except for the center unit and units with an attached Great General. | If there are more than 15 units, the first 15 are still listed on a separate line each. The rest is aggregated as described on the left (minus the exception for Great Warlords), e.g: Archer (2), Tokugawa, 2.5/3 str. Combat I x1 These lines are often so long that they wrap |
| If the algorithm expects that the aggregated entries will still require more space than is | around. No such fail-safe mechanism. |

| with a warni only the hea | is should happen very rarely), a line ng is displayed and, for some civs, ading with the unit counts is shown. ners are ordered as follows: | | |
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| owned by th | rithout known owner, then those he civ that owns the center unit, then (total) unit count, then by slot id. | If the active player has units in the tile, then those units are shown first. Then ordered by player slot id (I think). | |
| The units of a given owner are ordered as follows: First transports and units in cargo (interleaved so that one can guess which unit is in which transport). Then units of the same type as the center units, then units of the same domain as the center unit. Then ordered by domain, then by combat strength, then by unit id (or unit type id if aggregated). | | Transports/ cargo: same. Then ordered by how recently the unit arrived in the tile (I think) and unit type id. | |
| Config | New option "List Units per Owner" on the "Map" tab of the BUG menu; enabled by default. All the changes above only apply if the option is enabled. | | |
| Tbd. | Use the change tag (see <code>config\Tech Window.xml</code> for an example) to toggle the Unit layer twice when the status of the new option changes. Currently, the help text attached to the Unit bubbles isn't updated until the Unit layer is manually toggled. | | |
| Rationale | The main issue was that the BtS code wasted too much space. With the larger font (002b), parts of unit list were frequently unreadable. The wrapped-around lines were also difficult to read. The per-owner headings solve these problems and provide unit counts, which I had wanted to add in some form and place for some time. | | |
| | Another issue with the BtS algorithm: A mix of aggregated and non-aggregated info is confusing, especially when the units shown separately are chosen mostly arbitrarily (unit type id and slot id should only be used as tiebreakers). | | |
| Credits | devolution (Erik) fixed a potential crash: <u>Git commit</u> | | |
| The owner of a Privateer is revealed if the Privateer is in a City or Privateer shares a tile with a visible non-Privateer Fort. unit or when the Privateer is in a City or Fort. | | | |
| Rationale | Revealing Privateers in port makes some sense because units that are always hostile (though BtS actually didn't check this) can only enter the port of their owner (well or of a teammate). The same reasoning should apply to a Privateer stacked with visible units whose nationality isn't hidden. | | |
| | With the changes to help text, an anonymous Privateer stacked with other unit have to be the center unit, and this would make it stand out more than I'd like. | | |
| See also | 007 reveals the owners of Privateers when in Debug mode. | | |

| 062 | Al diplo comment states the reason for canceling a vassal agreement | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When the AI cancels a vassal agreement, the diplo popup says, in vague terms, why the agreement is being canceled. | | Always says "It appears you are too weak to protect us" |
| Rationale | Got the idea from this thread (K-Mod subforum). In AdvCiv, I don't think an explanation is really necessary, as voluntary vassal agreements to humans are rare | |

and normally canceled because of the vassal's power rating, but it's still nice to have. Also, "too weak to protect us" is misleading when the ratio between vassal power and average power is responsible for cancelation.

| 063 | Changes to BUG's Actual Effects mod component | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Show the Actual Effects production, commerce, happiness, health, specialist and maintenance help text when Alt is held down or when the respective options are enabled. | | K-Mod already treats the Actual Effects building help text this way, but the other options aren't tied to any modifier key. |
| Rationale | Perhaps karadoc just didn't find these options helpful at all. They don't seem very useful to me, but there isn't really any downside to my change, and it could convinc players who tend to enable all the BUG options to leave Actual Effects disabled, resulting in a less cluttered UI. | |
| | K-Mod doesn't include the food and defense options. I suppose these were deliberately omitted as the code seems very easy to merge. As far as I can tell, these options would only apply to Baray, Walls and Castle, and I don't think that justifies two additional checkboxes on the BUG menu. | |
| Rewrote parts of the explanation text for the Actual Effects options as the original text was very sparse. E.g. for the production option: "When checked, displays the buildings that will affect the | | |

production rate and by how much." Displays it where? Which buildings?

| 064 | BUG Whip Assist; changes to produc | ction overflow. |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| info in the "wit by default. AdvCiv's treated below) and recurrent" extremely default. Cand feature predicted ov Current" option in one shows of production by disabled, and the HurryOv Civ4lerts. Recording to the management of t | L's HurryOverflow option (overflow whip" button's help text) and enabled Adapted the computation to atment of excess overflow (see revised the help text. "Include ra option also merged, and enabled changed it so that current overflow production are included in the erflow regardless of the "Include ion. The (other) WhipAssist option names in the code are a mess; that overflow info directly on the lars of cities) remains available and do now uses the same (C++) code as erflow option, and so do the hurry edundant Python code erface.py, Civ4lerts.py) out. | Of the three BULL options related to hurry overflow (each with an extra option "Include Current"), two require DLL changes, and karadoc didn't merge these. One of these two, HurryOverflow, had been shown on the BUG menu but had no effect when enabled. All were disabled by default. The pure-BUG option (WhipAssist - overflow on the production bar) was working correctly. The "Include Current" option adds the city's current production rate to the overflow resulting from hurry production. This is correct in so far that the overflow after pressing hurry is going to be increased by the city's production rate, but the production rate after sacrificing population will be used, and the Whip Assist can't predict (doesn't try to) which citizens are going to be sacrificed and whether citizen automation will cause the remaining citizens to be reassigned. |
| See also | 064b (see below) adds similar help t | ext to the production yield breakdown. |
| Rationale | | the "No Slavery" option (<u>912d</u>), the mod should ast until a civic to replace Slavery is implemented. |

| | The last missing Whip Assist option would show hurry info on the city billboard (or it's help text?). I suppose that the fast Deity-level players, who don't like to enter city screens all the time, use this. Could perhaps merge it along with other BULL changes to the billboards, but AdvCiv perhaps just isn't the right mod for such players. | |
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| Credits | As far as I can tell, EmperorFool implemented the option that I've merged from BULL. | |
| Screen") for | Separate option on the BUG menu ("City Screen") for disabling hurry tick marks. Disabled nurry tick marks by default. The "Tick Marks" option on the "General" tab enables all tick marks, including the little yellow ones that show how much production is needed to decrease the population loss from Slavery. | |
| Rationale | Two different tick marks make the production bar look cluttered, and it's nearly impossible to guess what the hurry tick marks are for. | |
| See also | 078: Other changes to the BUG progress bar options. | |

| Changes to overflow production rule changes. For context, let's go through | s. See the bullets in the blue boxes for the actual the change history first: |
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| Vanilla Civ 4 | Warlords |
| Overflow production is capped at the maximum of the total production cost of the completed production order and the city's base production rate (hearsay: this upper limit may have been different prior to patch 1.61); any excess overflow is discarded. As a comment in the code says "to eliminate prebuild exploits." (I.e. to prevent players from producing items that take the city less than a full turn for several turns in a row, stacking up overflow toward e.g. a wonder, spaceship part or military units whose tech requirement is still being researched.) | Excess overflow is turned 1:1 into gold. |
| Unofficial Patch 0.21 for BtS 3.17 (link) | BtS patch 3.19 |
| From patch notes: "Limited which production modifiers affect gold from production overflow." Lets the same modifiers apply as for Wealth. | From patch notes: "Build-specific production modifiers are no longer counted for overflow gold calculations." However, the implementation works quite differently, usually discarding excess overflow without compensation. See e.g. this post for details. This post by one of the authors of the official patch confirms that Firaxis had only meant to clean up the code from the unofficial patch. |
| Unofficial Patch for BtS 3.19 | K-Mod |
| From v1.0 patch notes: Kept overflow fixes from 3.17 unofficial patch. From v1.4 patch notes: "Fixed extra overflow production bug when stopping culture process after border pop." | Same as the latest unofficial patch for buildings, but, for units, excess overflow is spent on additional units of the same type if possible. If there is enough overflow, multiple units can be trained in one turn. |
| * Considering that overflow gold still occurs for buildings (e.g. Walls) and natio units, K-Mod adds complexity to rules that were already complicated. * On the highest difficulty settings in the late Classical or early Medieval era, A | |

that see a large enemy stack approach can routinely produce more than one Archer per turn through Slavery. This raises the cost for conquering mature cities considerably – which might be OK for human-AI wars (though YouTuber lain got very upset about it in this video), but I suspect that it can lead to indecisive AI-AI wars, and I don't want the invading AI to train and bring as many units as it takes.

- Usually, when excess overflow occurs, K-Mod produces another unit only partially. To redeem the production spent, the player will have to continue training that unit. But this will result in even more overflow as it's going to be a cheap unit and maximal overflow is already being stored. For example, if a city with 105 production per turn trains a Spy (40 production), it'll store 40 overflow and put 25 into another Spy. If the player finishes that second Spy to avoid missing out on the 25 production, 130 overflow will result in 40 overflow stored, two more Spies and 10 production for a fifth one. Ultimately, this leaves it up to the player to avoid excess overflow in the first place.
- When there are production orders queued up, it's counterintuitive that excess overflow is spent on an additional unit that the player didn't ask for and not on the queued orders.

See also

001v fixed an exploitable bug in the K-Mod overflow code. The fix was removed along with the K-Mod code.

AdvCiv: Same as the latest Unofficial Patch, i.e. fully reverted the K-Mod change, and made the following tweaks to overflow, chopping and Slavery:

 The overflow cap is set to the maximum of the city's food store capacity and (as as in K-Mod/BtS) the city's base production rate. The production cost of the completed order no longer matters.

Tbd.

Could relax the cap a bit more, e.g. 150% of the food store capacity.

Rationale

The overflow cap should be chosen with two goals in mind: (a) Prevent players from stacking up substantial amounts of production and (b) set the cap so high that it's unlikely to be exceeded unintentionally. As for (b), using the city's base production rate is fair enough. As for (a), however, the cost of the completed order is not a good indicator for problematic stacking. What should matter is the cost of the production order that the stacked production is going to be used for. This is unknown, so some estimate based on the overall game progress should be used. Since overflow is somehow stored by the city, using the food store capacity makes sense to me. Conveniently, the food store capacity is already adjusted to game speed, map size and start era.

• Production from chopping is no longer converted into overflow, and instead remains stored separately until the city needs it.

Rationale

The accumulation of chopping production isn't an issue (or at least not one that overflow conversion can address) because the player can always preserve chopping production for a future production order by simply not chopping the Forests until needed. Granted: It can be more efficient in terms of Worker utilization to chop Forest ahead of time and keep the yield stored at the city; however, the BtS/K-Mod rules already allowed this by having the city build a Process (which can't use up chopping production), and my rule change has the substantial benefit of preventing chopping production from ever getting converted into gold, and preventing hurry production from stacking with chopping production to generate overflow (see below).

See also

Wonder fail gold can still convert chopping production into gold. See *Tbd.* under 123f.

 The formula for the population to be sacrificed for Slavery takes into account the current overflow and chopping production: That production is already guaranteed and doesn't need to be covered by Slavery. Consequently, Slavery can't be used at all when the entire production cost is already covered. • The same goes for the computation of gold for rush buying, however, in this case, the current production rate of the city is fully taken into account.

Rationale

Slavery generates the most overflow when applied to an order that is already about to complete. Ideally, hurry production should only add as much production as is needed to complete the order at the end of the turn, resulting in 0 overflow. Of course production from Slavery comes in chunks of 20 or 30 hammers, but the principle still applies.

For rush buying, the entire production rate can be taken into account. If the player rearranges the citizens afterwards, there can be overflow (can't be helped) or the production order may no longer complete at the end of the turn. In the latter case, the player can always rush buy again to close the gap.

As Slavery removes at least one citizen, the city's regular production from tiles can't be counted on (except for the city tile itself, for which 1 production is assumed), but the currently stored overflow and chopping production are entirely reliable.

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| AdvCiv | | BtS/K-Mod |
| production yield tooltip on the city screen says production (including chopping overflow, wh | | , , , , , , , |
| If overflow is converted into gold, an on-screen message says how much. | | The overflow production is converted silently. (And K-Mod's additional units also appear without any notification.) |
| Tbd. | Would be nice to show a breakdown of hurry modifiers in the button tooltips. Also, the impact on stored chopping production isn't shown on the Slavery button, however, Slavery I'm hoping to remove eventually anyway, whereas rush buying is here to stay. | |

| 064c | Changes to hurrying wonders | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Can sacrifice at most 3 population at once (perhaps especially relevant for wonders, but applies to all types of production). | | Can sacrifice up to half a city's population rounded down. |
| Rationale | To ensure that wonders can't be corhigh population loss is jarring. | structed abruptly, but mostly because the sudden |
| Tbd. | I don't like the high hurry penalties for great wonders as I don't see a problem with wonders getting hurried so long as they're not completed in just two turns. Also, the penalties can be bypassed through overflow (although 064b makes this more difficult) And there should be a single penalty for all great wonders, not 100% to 300% as is currently the case. | |
| | I've tried setting the penalty to just 50% (i.e. 20 production from Slavery instead of 3 same as for national wonders), but, for the time being, this would exacerbate problems with fail gold (see <i>Tbd.</i> under <u>123f</u>). I've also tried, in addition, to apply on generic production modifiers (i.e. not Stone, Marble) when hurrying a wonder, but the can, again, be bypassed through overflow: when the overflow is added to the wonder the extra modifiers are applied. | |
| | , , | h Slavery could be subject to an additional found that too difficult to implement. |

| 064d | Invalid orders don't create overflow | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When the production order of a city becomes invalid during the city owner's turn, the city immediately asks for orders. If the turn is ended without giving new orders, the city's production yield is lost. (As far as I'm aware, the only way how a city's production can become invalid during its owner's turn is through a lost resource, a state religion change or a rebased air unit – see 001b –, so only these conditions are checked.) | | The validity of all production orders is verified at the end of turn – too late to ask for new orders from a human owner (and the Al doesn't choose a new order either; not until the next turn). Cities whose production order is invalid produce overflow production. Overflow produced in that way is not subject to any limits; can be stacked up arbitrarily. (No change:) When a player ends his/her turn without assigning a new order to a city that has finished its last order, the production yield is lost. |
| See also | The exploit for stacking up production is described <u>here</u> on CFC. | |
| Rationale | Easy enough to prompt the city owner for new orders. The popup can't be overlooked, so, if the owner refuses to give new orders, it's fair enough to assume that the city is deliberately ignored and to discard the yield. Don't have to worry about excess overflow this way. | |
| Tbd. | Not sure if I've implemented this correctly; I don't fully understand the code for updating plot groups. See comment in CvPlotGroup::recalculatePlots. | |

| 065 | "Show Culture Turns" and "Commerce Subtotals" no longer optional | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| The turns until next culture level (and thus border expansion) are always shown on the culture bar of the city screen. | | There's an option for this, which is enabled by default in BUG, K-Mod and probably most other BUG-based mods too. |
| Commerce subtotals (e.g. "base research") are always shown in the commerce breakdowns of cities with specialists or other direct sources of special commerce. | | Optional in BULL (called "Base Commerce" in the code) and enabled by default (like almost all options), included in K-Mod but disabled by default. |
| Rationale To unclutter the BUG menu, especially the "Misc." categories. | | |

| 066 | Saved space on the Foreign Advisor screen | |
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| See also | 073 changes the layout of the "Resources" tab | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| No leader names are shown above the entries of the "Active" and "Info" tab. Moved the "Active" and "Info" tab up to the same height as the "Tech" tab, halved the horizontal margins and reduced the height of the bottom | | In addition to a leader portrait on the left, the name of each leader is displayed above the portrait. The leader name also appears (no change in AdvCiv) when hovering over the portrait. |
| margin to 25%. The changes to the "Info" tab are only relevant if | | The "Active" and "Info" have a peculiarly thick bottom margin. |

| BUG's "Enhanced Info" tab is disabled (which is | | |
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| the case by default since AdvCiv 0.95). | | |
| Rationale | Rationale Especially vertical space is valuable (even on large displays). | |
| | | The panel takes up the entire height of the |
| | | screen (apart from the margins), even if there is |
| are few civs to list. | | just one foreign civ to display information about. |
| Rationale | The large panels look inelegant. | |

| 067 | BUG era display uncoupled from NJAGC (game clock) and other changes to NJAGC | |
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| See also | See also 002k: Year notation (AD/BC, CE/BCE) can be switched on the "Time" tab. | |
| AdvCiv | | BUG |
| the era displenabled. The options rearranged abeen added | alf of the "Time" tab, which concerns ay, does not require NJAGC to be on the lower half have been and a second dropdown menu has that allows the alternating views to I for unequal amounts of time. | The tab is called "Clock". The switch for enabling NJAGC (Not Just Another Game Clock) is in the upper left corner and affects the era display and the clock settings – can't have the era without the clock. That said, the color settings apply to the era shadows on the tech tree even if NJAGC is disabled. |
| shown for a | ngs revised so that the game turn is longer duration than the time of day le clock is still disabled by default). | By default, if NJAGC and the alternate display are enabled, the display switches every 5 seconds between game turn - slash - turn limit and game progress as a percentage; the time of |
| | e option to show the game turn a percentage. | day is always on display. |
| Config | I've added an option for displaying the game era instead of the active player's era. Then I realized that this would be a cheat as the game era can't be easily derived from the game state until all civs have been met, so I disabled the option again. Can be re-enabled through BugNJAGCOptionsTab.py. | |
| Rationale | Personally, I want neither an era display nor a clock, but there's no reason to couple the two. The era display is even in a different corner of the screen. | |
| The progress percentage seems entirely pointless to me; the other options I can some use in: Showing e.g. "126/750" instead of "Turn 126" can serve as a remine that the game is on Epic speed. I could also imagine that some players want to he the game year, e.g. to make room for the time of day. The alternating display was perhaps not a great idea originally, but is kind of use AdvCiv because of the increased font size (002b); the BtS clock doesn't fit on the panel anymore. With the second dropdown menu I've added, one can also build of nagging clock that appears every 10 minutes just to remind the player that tim passing. That's a bit more subtle than the BtS alarm function. | | " instead of "Turn 126" can serve as a reminder uld also imagine that some players want to hide |
| | | nt size (<u>002b</u>); the BtS clock doesn't fit on the pdown menu I've added, one can also build a sort 10 minutes just to remind the player that time is |
| Credits | TheLopez is the author of the NJAGC component. | |

| 068 | BUG options can cause tech tree to be updated | |
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| AdvCiv | | BUG |
| | • | The "Tech Era" option that displays colored shadows on the tech tree and the options on the |

| | t it is opened and then reflects the ings. | "Clock" tab that set the shadow colors usually only take effect after a restart because BtS (CvTechChooser.py) caches the tech tree widgets when tech tree is opened. |
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| | | The "GP research" works without restart. |
| Rationale The BtS caching can't just be disabled. Opens the tech tree about one second faster (in a Debug build) and keeps track of the horizontal scroll position. | | |

| 069 | Changes to plot lists and the PLE (Plot List Enhancements) component | | |
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| Credits | BUG lists 12mokeys and EmperorFool as the main authors of PLE. | | |
| See also | PLE has a function that predicts the vertical space needed for help text (getTextLines in PLE.py). This was sometimes underestimating the space, presumably because of AdvCiv's larger fonts, so my adjustments in the PLE code are tagged with 002b. That said, sometimes too much space was allocated (and I've only made that worse), so I'm not sure if this is entirely a matter of font size. Anyway, too much space isn't so bad, but too little space had meant that not all text was readable. | | |
| Tbd. | Often, no help text is shown for plot list icons on the city screen. This error occurs regardless of the plot list drawing method (vanilla/ PLE/ BUG). The handler for widget_Plot_List gets called and composes the text correctly, but the text isn't displayed. When loading a savegame and entering a city screen without selecting any unit first, it seems to work correctly; so perhaps some of the code in CvMainInterface.interfaceScreen (screen.addCheckBoxGFCAt?) needs to be repeated in the updatePlotListButtons functions (near screen.changeImageButton) when the city screen is up. | | |
| AdvCiv | AdvCiv BUG | | |
| the help text dependencion options clea | Rearranged the menu items and rewrote much of Originally, all the options on the "Plot List" tab he help text on the BUG menu tab to make the dependencies and side-effects between the PLE options clear. Also changed some of the in-game help text to match the terminology used on the menu. Originally, all the options on the "Plot List" tab required PLE to be enabled and to be in charge of drawing the unit icons in the plot list. The BU team changed this gradually so that some options can also work independently of PLE, be they didn't update the menu (or only in part). | | |
| Rationale | The PLE component is pretty complicated and mostly aimed at games with very large stacks, but some of the functions are actually very simple and universally useful, so it's good to have this sorted out. | | |
| | PLE in-game help text shows turns-to-heal on a separate line and spelled out. Shown without explanation on one line with the unit's strength and movement points. | | |
| Rationale | Too difficult to guess what that number means; I had to look it up in the manual. And vertical space isn't really (or shouldn't be) scarce. | | |
| BasicUnitHelp string is displayed. heading "Unit Specialties"), including a list | | The full UnitHelp string is displayed (under a heading "Unit Specialties"), including a list of unique replacements and the production cost. | |
| Rationale | Confusing clutter | | |
| Fixed a bug in AstarTools.py that had caused the PLE movement highlighter to crash sometimes. | | | |
| Fixed a bug in PlotListEnhancements.py that had prevented bar colors from getting updated when changed through the BUG menu. | | | |

Fixed a possible bug in PLE.py that had caused health bars to be shown for civilian units. (Perhaps was intentional.)

Fixed a bug in PLE.py: The names of unit owners had been shown in random colors.

Adopted a few of the help text changes in PLE into BtS (so that they apply if PLE is disabled):

The help text for a unit icon doesn't show the unit owner if the unit is owned by the active player. The remaining movement points are shown (in addition to the maximum). XP is shown without parentheses (also in tile hover text).

Rationale

The game shows unit icons grayed out for units that belong to other players, and it's pretty rare anyway that units of different players reside in the same tile. Therefore the owner isn't important information in this context. Without the owner, the name, power, moves, XP and promotions often fit into a single line.

Remaining movement points should be shown in order to match the information on the info pane.

If the BtS drawing method is enabled, no indicator circles are shown for foreign units unless they're wounded and the wounded indicator is enabled or have an attached Great Warlord and the Great Warlord indicator is enabled or when playing multiplayer with simultaneous turns.

Not sure about the PLE method and simultaneous turns. In singleplayer mode, BtS and BUG display an indicator circle regardless of the unit owner. For foreign units, it's always a white circle – indicating that the unit isn't currently expecting orders – unless the unit is wounded or has a Great Warlord (if the respective options are enabled).

| Ratio | onale | If the circle has no information value, it shouldn't be shown. |
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| Tbd. | | Disable the circle also when the BUG drawing method is enabled. |

| 070 | Gold rate color options | |
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| AdvCiv | | BUG |
| Three dropdown menus on the "General" tab of the BUG menu for setting the text color of the gold rate when it's positive, negative or negative and exceeding the reserves in the treasury. The default colors are as in BtS. | | Checkbox "Gold Rate Warning" that shows the gold rate in yellow when it's negative but not exceeding the gold reserves in the treasury. |
| Rationale I'm not sure what the idea behind the BUG option was. It adds changed) for showing negative gold reserves in red, but I'm not that allows negative gold reserves, and I see no need for a way aside, one could argue that a negative gold rate shouldn't be it's not an alarming condition (though it's certainly bad in a ser | | reserves in red, but I'm not aware of an exploit and I see no need for a warning about that. That we gold rate shouldn't be shown in red because |
| | I was going to set the color for positive gold to yellow to make gold rate and research rate easier to distinguish. Now that it's implemented, the yellow is a bit too unfamiliar for my taste (or just catches the eye too much). Also, if the gold rate is shown in the gold/ commerce color, the research rate should really be shown in the research color, and that's medium green (COLOR_GREEN_TECH I think); currently, the research rate is light green (COLOR_POSITIVE_TEXT). | |
| Tbd. | Remove the color option for depleted reserves if I ever need the space on the menu for something else. | |
| See also | 004 adds light green and light red (COLOR_POSITIVE_TEXT, COLOR_WARNING_TEXT) to the color palette of the BUG menu (through Config\init.xml). | |

| 071 | Message on first contact | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| message about this on the main interface along | | No such message. If an AI rival is met, a diplo popup is shown. No notification about meeting a fellow human. |
| | Option on the "Alerts" tab of the BUG menu. Also allows the diplo popup to be disabled. | |
| | It's often difficult to tell where a rival was encountered. The rival unit could e.g. have moved out of sight again or could be stacked with units of a third party. The option to disable the (rather pointless) diplo popup is a nice bonus. I'm not disabling them by default, in part, because I like the introduction texts from the Actual Quotes mod. | |

| 072 | Changes to the "Current Deals" list (t | rade table) |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Hover text for trade items listed under "What are the current deals we have together?" shows the deal that the item belongs to (e.g. "Banana to Peter for Rice and 2 gold per turn" when hovering over "Banana") and whether/ when that deal can be canceled. Trade denial information is not shown in the hover text. This was tricky to implement because the trade table is not part of the SDK, and the DLL function that composes the help text (CvDLLWidgetData::parseTradeItem) is only given information about the trade item, not the CvDeal object. | | don't necessarily align. The hover text says nothing about the deal either. Instead, for resources, the hover text says if the AI would agree to another trade for this item – usually, it won't because one resource of a type is enough. |
| Tbd. | Align the two columns by adding empty lines so that items of different deals are never shown on the same row. Adding newlines in CvPlayer::getItemTradeString can't accomplish this (the GUI won't show the newlines), but one could use a new type of nameless dummy trade item. Such items would have to be inserted in CvDeal::addTrades - I've tested this and kept the code in my (offline) archive. Taking care of all the side-effects is going to be tedious though. In particular, the code currently identifies gifts by checking whether one of the item lists is empty. Would have to look at all getLengthFirstTrades, getLengthSecondTrades and CLinkList::getLengt calls. There might also be issues within the EXE (but I doubt it). | |
| AdvCiv | 1 | BUG |
| can't currer that remain | trade item listed, if the respective deal ntly be canceled, the number of turns until cancellation is shown in s. (Disabled by default.) | BUG has an option ("Deal Turns Left" on the "Advisors" tab) for this, but that only applies to the "Active" tab of the Foreign Advisor screen, not the trade table. |
| Config | l've extended the "Deal Turns Left" of the current deals on the trade table, b | otion so that it can either apply to the "Active" tab, both, or neither. The default is neither. |

| Rationale | In both contexts, hover text shows cancellation info; that should be enough. Gold-per- |
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| | turn items already show the amount of gold in parentheses, and the double |
| | parentheses look a bit strange, e.g. "Gold per Turn (3) (6 Turns)". It's also not totally |
| | obvious what this means, i.e. that the first number is the amount of gold and the |
| | second the turns until cancellation. |
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| 073 | Trade help on the "Resources" tab (Foreign Advisor) | |
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| See also | 004w revises the help text for resources. 036 makes trades with non-surplus resources more common, and thus increases the importance of the "Resources" tab. And shows in help text how much gold the AI will pay or demand for a resource. | |
| AdvCiv | | BULL |
| changes in the DLL are tagged with "BULL - Trade Denial" (almost) as in the BULL code. | | They use the tag "BUG - Trade Denial". Option on the BUG menu. At least in BAT, it looks |
| aren't optio | changes on my part: The hovers nal, and no denial info is shown for f the reason is "you must be joking." | like must-be-joking resources aren't shown on the "Resources" tab at all, not sure if that's standard BULL behavior or somehow customizable. (Or perhaps only K-Mod includes |
| | | the must-be-joking resources?) |
| a rival refuses to talk and no other reason applies. | | The trade denial hover text ignore refusal to talk. |
| Rationale | There's really no downside to the ext | ra help text, hence no need for an option. |
| See also | 074 excludes must-be-joking resources from the trade table. | |
| Enabled BULL's "Kill Deal" functionality. (I only had to remove a check for the presence of the BULL DLL for this, so it looks like this BULL feature could actually have been a BUG feature.) I've added the deal string (e.g. "Wine and 2 gold per turn to Peter for Sheep") to the help text. | | Resource trades can be canceled from the "Resources" tab by clicking on a resource icon in one of the "Active" columns. Help text for those resources says "click to cancel" or how many turns remain until cancellation becomes possible. |
| Rationale | Without the deal string, it's not alway | s clear which items are going to be canceled. |
| AdvCiv | | BUG |
| The columr "Will Import," "Will Export, "Importing," I.e. all from "we don't nother through dail | ne layout of the "Resources" tab a bit. n headings are now " [gold icon] (available gold per turn), " "Won't Export," "We Don't Need," "Exporting," [gold icon] (trade balance). the other civ's perspective except for eed." The columns are still grouped rk background panels, but the group ave been removed. | The group headings are written from our perspective: "Export," "Import," "Active," and the subheadings from the other civ's perspective: "Will Trade," "Won't Trade," (again) "Will Trade," "Won't Trade," [gold icon], "Import," "Export," [gold icon]. |
| Rationale | The two different perspectives are co frees up space for a larger "Surplus F | infusing, and the removal of the group headings Resources" box (see below). |
| unwilling to column for unwilling to | for resources that the other civ is import has been removed and the resources that the other civ is export has been split into "We Don't burces that we already have – denial | The "(we can) Export, (but they) Won't Trade" column contains the resources that both civs are able to trade. The "(we can) Import, (but they) Won't Trade" essentially also contains those resources plus some resources that the AI is |

| reason: "yo (all other re | ou must be joking") and "Won't Export" easons). | unwilling to trade for other reasons. |
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| to "Domest that we're a listed first a yellow num | us Resources" box has been renamed ic Resources" and lists all resources able to trade. Surplus resources are and can easily be recognized by the iber that says how many copies we umber isn't shown for non-surplus | Only surplus resources are listed in that box. All our non-surplus resources appear multiple times in the "Won't Trade" columns though. |
| Rationale | The description on the right should make clear that the BUG layout is redundant. The information in the "We Don't Need" column still overlaps with the "Domestic Resources" box, but, without that column, a complete list of foreign resources would be missing. | |
| Tbd. | When the player has surplus resources of more than 28 resource types, the first row of the "Domestic Resources" box is going to be too small, and icons are going to be shown outside the box or even off-screen. This is because I don't know how to display multiple rows of resource counts (the yellow numbers). Not an urgent problem because 28 is a lot when there are only some 35 resources in the game, and on widescreen displays, all resources might fit in a single row. On that note, the code should check whether all resources (incl. non-surplus) will fit into a single row – easy to do – and show the second row only when needed – not quite so easy. | |

| 074 | Some must-be-joking items excluded | from the Trade screen |
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| Rationale | must be joking" isn't going to make it untradeable items serve no purpose | n't be traded, then the explanation "Surely, you more obvious, and beyond the explanation text, on the Trade screen. That said, in some cases the an error, so I'm not removing all of them. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS/ K-Mod |
| resource already h | screen doesn't show must-be-joking es, i.e. resources that the other side has (and doesn't need for a corp.) and e. civics from the first row. | K-Mod excludes "cold, dead hands" cities and treats unrevealed cities as secret. |
| account of ' recipient of it, then the o diplo popup Known issu row, then th in the first d | 'must-be-joking", i.e. when the a resource acquires direct access to | When an AI civ cancels a resource deal with a human civ, a diplo popup for renegotiation is shown at the start of the human turn. That popup restates the terms of the canceled deal. |
| See also | work to fix because it involves the EX human turn (see <u>001e</u>), then the prob | |
| | tab of the Foreign Advisor. (One could | f all known players are visible on the "Resources" d argue that unrevealed resources that the AI isn't at this would take some effort to implement.) |

| 075 | Units in cargo wake up when the ship | Units in cargo wake up when the ship has reached land and is out of moves | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| moves or o | p has spent all moves, has no further ther missions queued and is in a land rt) or adjacent to land, any land units at are able to move are woken up. | Units are set to the "sleep" activity when they enter a ship. I don't think they ever wake up from that automatically. | |
| cargo will n to a new ac | ave been given any order while in ot wake up. (Technically, units are set stivity type called "boarded" when they and they have to be in that state in ke up.) | | |
| | pove only applies when automatic unit nabled (it is by default). | | |
| Rationale | Because of automatic unit cycling, it's easy to forget that units can disembark when a ship reaches its destination with its final movement point. The cargo units then lose an entire turn. | | |
| | I'm limiting the wake up conditions as much as possible because units asking for orders prematurely can be annoying. Hence also the restriction that an embarked unit will only ask for orders once. | | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps an option "Wake Up Cargo When Reaching Land" on the "General" tab under "Commands." Hopefully not needed. GlobalDefines option? | | |

| 076 | Player options menu revised | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | the first tab from "Game" to "Controls". changes to text were only made in d German. | By "player options menu", I mean the one that gets opened by Ctrl+O. BtS doesn't seem to have a distinct name for that menu. The settings there only affect the active player. |
| | | On modding this options screen: Unlike the Custom Game screen, the files are mostly in the SDK, so it's easy to modify. The only obstacle I encountered is the inflexible resetOptions function of CyUserProfile, which isn't in the SDK. |
| | | Upon exiting the game, most of the options are stored in a 200-byte .pfl file in AppData\Local\My Games\Beyond the Sword\Profiles—either in Default Profile.pfl or in a custom file created by the user through the "Other" tab of the player options menu. (Unless that pfl file is set to read-only through Windows file properties. That's a way to make the options revert to a fixed configuration at program start.) |
| items on th | d, renamed and, in two cases, hid be player options menu, however, anging the format of the options profile | The pfl file is written in a binary format that will break when options are removed from or added to CIV4PlayerOptionInfos.xml Or |

or the order of options in XML, so that these changes won't cause any compatibility issues.

Moved some of the checkboxes from the right column of the "Graphics" tab into the left column, "Graphics Level" doesn't seem to have any effect mixing them with the dropdown menus. E.g. the "No Movies" option is now placed above the 'Movie Quality" dropdown and "No Buildings" (in

Removed the "Graphics Level" dropdown. meaning that the setting will remain at whatever value is stored in the player's profile.

CIV4GraphicOptionInfos.xml, unless blank options reserved for mods (PLAYEROPTION MODDER) are used.

of its own. Looks like a change in that dropdown merely causes several other settings to change. namely the other three "quality" settings, anti-Globe View) under the "Globe Quality" dropdown. aliasing, "Low-Res. Textures", "No Movies", "No Buildings in Globe View", "No Effects", and 'Animations Frozen". They probably forgot "High Detail Terrain", which was added by patch 1.61.

Rationale

A widget that will overwrite several other settings is similar to a reset and that would have to be very clearly communicated. However, on current hardware (say, post-WinXP) most of the settings tied to "Graphics Level" hardly affect performance (or even power consumption), so it's better (and easier) to remove this master switch entirely.

Config

Can always change the "Graphics Level" by unloading AdvCiv.

Tbd.

Find out if "Render Quality" has any effect. I'm seeing no immediate effect, and, after restarting, the terrain always looks a little different, so it's difficult to be certain that there is no change. There could well be some very minor impact, or a noticeable impact only in combination with other settings, e.g. only at a low resolution. On the web. I've only found a few baseless claims. If there is no appreciable effect, then it should perhaps be force-set to "low" (to make sure that no computing time/ power is wasted) and the dropdown removed. Currently, my tooltip says "Effect Unknown".

And test some very high resolutions to see how the fonts and icons scale; then possibly add a warning about that to the "Screen Resolution" tooltip. I'll need a larger monitor for that.

The space cleared in the right column of the 'Graphics" tab allowed me to add headings to structure the remaining checkboxes, to move two headings. options from the "Controls" tab to the "Graphics" tab that might as well be graphic options ("Quick Moves" and "Numpad Help") and then to add headings to the "Controls" tab as well.

Rearranged the checkboxes on the first two tabs and made some (mostly minor) name changes, in part to take advantage of the headings; e.g. having a heading "Automation" means that "automate(d)" doesn't have to appear in all of the option names.

The checkboxes on the first two tabs are haphazardly arranged and not structured by any

Rationale

Regarding "Quick Moves", the options for unit controls on the "Controls" tab and those for animations on the "Graphics" tab are both concerned with unit animations. Putting them all on one tab might be nice, but "Quick Defense" and "Show Friendly Moves" need to be on the first tab for easy access, and there isn't enough room there for all of them. Even moving only "Quick Moves" and "Combat Zoom" to the "Controls" tab would require a major reshuffle. And these two really are just visual changes, whereas most options on the "Controls" tab allow a tradeoff between optimal play and pace, e.g. the automation options, "Wait at End of Turn", "Stack Attack" and I'd say also "Quick Defense" as this option makes it sometimes impossible to keep track of all enemy attacks.

Changed almost all tooltips to provide more precise information and, in some cases, hints and recommendations. Added tooltips to the dropdown menus and to the reset and exit buttons.

Added a "need restart" popup to the "Low-Res. Textures" option and the "Globe Quality" menu, and added info about having to restart or reload to the tooltips of any options that need it.

Removed the banner from the "Audio" tab; the cleared space remains mostly unused.

Device names in drop-down menus shortened as I never even knew that a custom music folder needed to make sure that the menu fits in the window. Moved speaker settings and custom music folder to the left column.

Removed the panel for network settings from the The only network setting is "Modem" vs. 'Other" tab. That means, the connection speed set in the profile is assumed.

Many of the tooltips more or less just repeat the name of the option, which is usually not selfexplanatory (certainly not for new players). No tooltips for the dropdowns and buttons.

Restart popup for "Fullscreen", "Single Unit Graphics", "High Detail Terrain", "Graphics Level", "Audio Speakers".

A banner of a sound card vendor (sponsor?) is shown on the "Audio" tab.

can be configured because the button had been off-screen.

'DSL/Broadband". Not sure if this has any impact on networked multiplayer games.

Rationale

No one has a non-DSL modem. Can still change this through "Bandwidth" in the INI file. With this panel removed, the Profile panel is the rightmost one, which makes sense: after configuring everything, the player may want to create/save a profile. Also, in BtS, one can get the impression that a profile is just some sort of user id for network games.

Regarding the layout of the "Audio" tab: It's better to have voice chat on the lower right than speaker settings and custom music folder because the voice chat options are a bit complicated and rarely used.

Changed the default values of several options (at my discretion).

Rationale

Doesn't matter much because the BtS defaults are set in the profile upon installing BtS and, when a mod is loaded, the values in the profile are used. The defaults do matter when a player manually resets the profile, or if it is automatically reset, which happens under some rare error conditions. Also, the defaults can be looked up in XML as a reference.

The reset button on the "Graphics" tab doesn't Resolution" and "Menu Background" dropdowns. "Screen Resolution". The default values for the The quality dropdowns are set to "high" and MSAA to 2 samples. The reset button tooltips explain what gets reset and how that will affect the current profile.

the options that was changed requires it.

Removed the reset button on the "Other" tab.

Each of the four tabs has its own reset button affect the "Fullscreen" checkbox, nor the "Screen that affects all settings on that tab except (I think) checkboxes on the first two tabs come from the ...OptionInfos XML files, about the others I'm not sure. For the "Graphics" dropdowns, the same settings as for medium "Graphics Level" The need-to-restart popup is only shown if one of seem to be used, i.e. 2 MSAA samples and all levels at medium. The effect on the menu background dropdown seems erratic.

> When "Graphics" or "Audio" are reset, the needto-restart popup is always shown.

Rationale

It should be obvious that the game is normally played in fullscreen. Perhaps a sensible resolution could be set based on the resolutions supported by the hardware, but that might take some work to implement. The menu background is a matter of taste.

With only the Clock options left, a reset button on "Other" is unnecessary, and could be misunderstood as affecting all tabs.

| "Numbers | the "Detailed City Info" option to on City Bar", and it only shows turns and turns to grow. | Also shows a research icon on the billboard of the city with the highest research rate, a gold icon for the highest gold rate and a production icon for the highest production rate. |
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| Rationale | The meaning of the icons is obscure and, as the capital usually has the top gold and research rate, unhelpful except possibly for the production icon – but it's cleaner to remove them all, and then the option makes sense on the "Graphics" tab because the turn numbers are really just a visual aid for players who find the one-turn projections always shown on production and food bars insufficient. | |

| 077 | Changes to "Demographics" tab (Info screen) | |
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| Credits | This CFC post (by Long try) demonstrates that the BtS screen leaks information in the early game. | |
| Tbd. | Refactoring – there is a lot of redundant code in CvInfoScreen.py, pretty much everything times 9. Needs a "Demographic" class that "crop yield", "soldiers" etc. can be instances of. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| the value, r | ns "best rival" and "worst rival" show name and rank of the best or worst e demographics are visible through | Those columns show the value of the best and worst rival regardless of espionage or whether that rival has even been met. Only the value is displayed though (e.g. the number of soldiers). |
| the "best" a graphics of Or, as anot worst rival graphics ar | ly, as an option, a "?" can be shown in and "worst" column when the demofithe best or worst rival aren't visible. Ther option, the name of the best or can be shown even if its demoren't visible. A "?" is then displayed if worst rival hasn't been met. | The main point of these columns was, I suspect, to provide points of reference for the player's demographics. |
| Config | The "options" are just boolean flags near the top of Assets\Python\Screens\ CvInfoScreen.py. | |
| Rationale | some unmet rival has the Charismati problematic unless those values are demographics are visible through esphis/her espionage on one or two targ the rival columns may not contain mapproach (still in the code as an option | ly don't like that the player can tell on turn 0 that c trait. Giving away any concrete rival values is revealed through the graphs anyway, i.e. when pionage. Potential problem: If a player focuses all ets in order to reveal their research goals, then useful information. I've tried a less restrictive on) that also doesn't give away values but names of espionage; however, I worry that this could nographics" tab every few turns. |
| multiple of teammates when there | The rival average is rounded to the nearest multiple of 5, no longer includes vassals and eammates of the active player and isn't shown when there are fewer than 4 rivals alive. Minor civs are also excluded. The average is computed over all civs except the active player. It's rounded to the nearest smaller integer and shown regardless of the number of civs alive. | |
| Rationale | coast, and the other values probably turn to turn could reveal information t | and tiles gives away how many civs start at the aren't safe either. Moreover, the changes from hroughout the game. Coarser rounding appears ulting approximate average is still useful (at least |

| | by the midgame) for putting the player's values into perspective. | | |
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| | With just 3 rivals, if best and worst are known, the one in the middle could be computed from the average, which is tedious. Hence no average when the sample size is small. | | |
| Credits | Exclusion of minor civs adopted from "Dawn of Civilization" (Git commit) | | |
| re-enabled t but this will there is only values now. | The value is the player's total commerce from through an option (see <i>Config</i> above), foreign trade minus the sum of the commerce result in a vertical scrollbar since of enough space for 8 demographic. If it's enabled, the value is the foreign trade. | | |
| Rationale | Seems like the least useful statistic. It doesn't make much sense to subtract other civs commerce because Civ 4 isn't a zero-sum game (unless only two civs remain); it's mostly flavorful (trade balance is a widely known economical concept). Commerce from foreign trade is still shown on the Finance tab (Economics Advisor). | | |
| first (title) co | Layout changes: Except for rival average and the Only the first column has double rows, showing first (title) column, all columns have double rows the name of the value (e.g. "crop yield") on top with one item on top and another at the bottom. | | |
| top and the The (player) merged into | pest rival columns show the value on rival name and rank on the bottom. I value and rank columns have been a single column with the value on k at the bottom. | | |
| space efficie using some name transl | ost of the labels to use the available ently and resized the columns. Also icons. Shortened a couple of leader lations (French, German, Spanish) to fit into the columns. | | |
| Rationale | Putting the rival value, name and rank all in one table cell would be difficult to read. Since the average column has only a (numeric) value to show and it would look strange to leave the top cell empty, all values have to be shown on top so that they're easy to compare (and all ranks at the bottom). Since the unit of measurement should be on the same row as the value, I've put the units on the same line as the names of the values. That's a bit tight, but it fits. | | |
| Decimal ("th | Decimal ("thousands") separators added. | | |
| Rationale | To make the large numbers easier to read. | | |
| When the Info screen is shown after winning, losing or retiring, all info on all tabs is revealed as didn't have anything to hide. And all info continues to be revealed after selecting "just one more turn" (extended game). | | | |
| Rationale | Don't want additional info to be revealed in the extended game; the player can enter Debug mode for that. | | |
| The yield statistics about rivals are moving averages. | | | |
| Rationale/ See also | To be consistent with <u>004s</u> , which shows moving averages on the "Graphs" tab. | | |

O78 Changes to BUG's GP bar options

| See also | 001c fixes the birth probability display. 064 adds a separate option for the hurry tick marks. | |
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| Tbd. | Add the GP icons to Res\GameFont. of GPUtils.py use those instead of t | tga (GameFont_75.tga?) and let the init function the yield icons. |
| AdvCiv | | BUG |
| only once there has been any progress. More right at the start of a game although, typically | | If the GP or GG bar is enabled, the bar appears right at the start of a game although, typically, no XP is gained for the first 15 turns, and no GP points for the first 50 turns. |
| Rationale | Not enabled by default because the sudden appearance of the bars could be confusing when a player hasn't explicitly enabled that behavior. | |
| file no long | | at XP changes, i.e. this sentence in the BUG help splay of the bar will not automatically update after for it to display properly." |
| shown as part of the semi-transparent portion of the research bar and thus indistinguishable from the current research progress. The semi-transparent portion shows | | · · |
| | | However, the production bar on the city screen shows overflow (only) in the semi-transparent portion. |
| Rationale Solid overflow suggests that the overflow has already been spent, but it is end of turn (because it's really part of the research rate). And it's inconsisted production bar. | | |
| I'm keeping the BtS behavior if tick marks are disabled because the per-turn researate without overflow is an important statistic that should arguably be visualized somehow, either through the semi-transparent portion or, preferably, through tick marks. | | statistic that should arguably be visualized |

| 079 | AI greetings | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| about that unit at the first opportunity (unless the | | 1 |
| | _ | he AI multiple times to find out its best unit in the random chance of never bragging about a |

| | it's better to make the early warmong peaceful leaders, this would be out o course, contacting the AI every few to | _DEMAND_TRIBUTE divisor, but, ultimately, I think ers always reveal their best unit. (For some of the f character and shouldn't be needed either.) Of urns is still tedious, but I don't think the inforimplementing an alert message or sth. like that. |
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| | OO5a changes the CONTACT_DEMAND_the leaders with a sufficiently low divi | TRIBUTE divisor for several AI leaders. Most of sor (less than 400) are listed there. |
| player again and is more | embers when it has warned a human nst trading with a particular enemy, likely to warn if it hasn't warned ess likely otherwise. | If there is a worst enemy, there's a 25% probability that the AI will warn about it when contacted. This is accompanied by an angry facial expression in BtS, and, in K-Mod/AdvCiv, by the trade-refusal expression. |
| Rationale | Mainly to reduce the frequency of the | somewhat jarring stop-trading leader animations. |
| encourage y | t era, the AI says "we would you to stop trading" in the greeting uman player has annual deals with nemy. | Will say "watch out for our worst enemy" only if the accumulated trade value in AI memory is 0, and otherwise, i.e. basically if the human has ever traded with the enemy, "we would encourage you to stop trading" |
| Rationale | To address a to-do comment by the clooser (by time)" | priginal developers: "maybe make this a little |

| 080 | Warn about XP loss on upgrade | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The upgrade lost (if any). | | Units lose all but 10 XP when upgrading. Reportedly, the BtS manual mentions this but the in-game help text doesn't. And as no promotions are lost, it's easy not to notice. |
| | Limiting the number of promotions that units can acquire is good, but I'd prefer a mechanism that somehow allows old promotions (which may not make that much sense on the upgraded unit) with new ones. Not sure how exactly. | |

| 081 | Naval AI for land wars (not much done yet) | |
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| See also | 905 increases the speed and bombardment rates of some ships. | |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI/K-Mod |
| bombardment ability for land wars if the city that | | After I fixed a likely bug in BBAI code (see <u>017</u>), the AI trains only a minimal number of warships except when planning a naval landing. |
| Tbd. | If naval bombardment is further buffed, an AI type UNITAL_ATTACK_CITY_SEA should be added. | |
| | Should sometimes train ships for naval bombardment even when there is no war plan yet. To be added to BBAI's "city hunting stack" code. | |

| 082 | Al changes for naval assaults (few so far) | | |
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| Tbd. | Al shouldn't keep units for naval assault embarked; cf. this CFC thread. | | |
| | To get the AI to drop invasion forces in a friendly bridgehead (and to overcome the inability to attack landlocked enemies), it might suffice to do the following: In <code>CvUnitAI::AI_goToTargetCity</code> , check if the current unit is a sea unit with cargo, and if the target city is (about to become) hostile and in a different area than the unit. If so, find the reachable (in particular: coastal) non-hostile city in the target area that is nearest to the target city. If that city is not too far away from the target and nearer to the unit, then, with a high-ish probability, go to the non-hostile city. However, if the owner of the target city is expected to be short work, go directly to the target city if possible. | | |
| | Implement WarAndPeaceCache::updateRelativeNavyPower (see comments there) and an auxiliary function for the intel ratio. | | |
| | CvUnitAI::AI_assaultSeaTransport should estimate a) (easy) the strength of the own escort (just add up the strength values) and b) the strength of defending ships that will intercept the group. Cheat by using the target's (unless barb/minor) UWAI fleet power — once i implement that relativeNavyPower function, the cheat will more or less go away. Also need to account for factors that may distract the defending fleet. Perhaps based on the number of the target's coastal cities plus half the number of own coastal cities (enemy could use its fleet to harass those) plus one quarter of the number of coastal cities of our war allies. | | |
| See also | If <u>162</u> (crossing a border on the same turn as declaring war spends all movement points) is replaced with some form of ZoC rule, more Al changes will be needed. | | |
| | 040 deals with naval AI for founding cities and 046 with stranded units. | | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod/ BBAI | |
| When a group of AI units is supposed to start a war, the pathfinder avoids entering the enemy's border earlier than necessary. | | Only avoids ending a turn inside the enemy's border. Doesn't avoid moving through. | |
| Rationale | An oversight by the earlier modders. It would be even better to enter the enemy's territory without declaring war when it's clear that the units are going to leave and reenter, but that would be a bit more work to implement. | | |

| 083 | AI changes for city attacks | |
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| See also | 001t and 082 deal with the path that AI units take when declaring war. | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod/ BtS |
| Made sure that the AI doesn't blindly attack a city while trying to get to the best tile to attack it from. | | There was an assertion saying "no suicide missions" that triggered sometimes. |
| Barbarians ignore units positioned adjacent to a city when deciding from which tile to attack the city. | | Reportedly, the BtS AI is generally unable to plot around enemy units; in K-Mod, I can only recreate this for Barbarians vs. units blocking the entire inner ring of a city. |
| | Non-Barbarian AI stacks still disregard tiles with enemy defenders when deciding from which tile to attack a city. K-Mod comment: "consider fighting for the best plot" | |

| The choice of the tile to attack from needs to take into account how dangerous the |
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| enemy units are. Currently, once the AI has decided on an attack path, it won't enter |
| the city directly even if all defenders abandon the city. |

| 084 | Solo games | |
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| Rationale | It's possible to close all except one player slot on the Custom Game screen – and that makes some sense too when a player just wants the map to him- or herself. So that that mode of play should be supported if it isn't too much trouble. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | | If Conquest victory isn't explicitly disabled, the game ends shortly after the player founds his/her first city. |
| Rationale | The other victory conditions make some sense without any opponents. | |

| 085 | Changes to the tabular scoreboard (i.e. only applies when "Tabular Layout" is enabled on the "Score" tab of the BUG menu) | |
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| See also | 120h changes the meaning of the espionage column. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS/BUG |
| Column added that shows the Golden Age icon when another civ is in a Golden Age or the negative-gold icon when in Anarchy. Help text for the icons says how many turns remain. | | Golden Ages and revolutions are announced, but I'm not aware of any way to check – reliably – if an opponent is currently in a Golden Age or in Anarchy. Golden Age and Anarchy length are public knowledge though. |
| See also | 152 uses the "fist" icon for AI war trades. That icon has become strongly associated with AI war planning through the BUG mod. So that icon can't be used for Anarchy. And I like the negative-gold icon better anyway. | |
| Rationale | For the active player, Golden Age and Anarchy are already prominently displayed in BtS; therefore show the scoreboard icon only for other players. The more often no icon needs to be shown (for any player), the better because then the entire column disappears. | |
| AdvCiv | | BUG |
| the "Column Order" formatting string, the respective column appears only if the "Expand" BUG menu allows players to select which columns should be displayed and how they | | columns should be displayed and how they should be arranged. Underscores in the string |
| Config | See the help text for the "Expand on Hover" option on the "Score" tab of the BUG menu. The letters with a preceding underscore should be placed on the left side of th scoreboard, at least to the left of the player score (letter "S") and civ display name (letter "C") to make sure that the score and name don't move away from under the cursor when the scoreboard expands. | |

| | Previously (v0.95 and earlier), all the info in the expansion columns was disabled entirely by default, so it's all nonessential and players who find the expanding scoreboard distracting only need to toggle off "Expand on Hover". However, players who want e.g. the power ratio to be shown permanently, will have to edit the "Column Order" string to remove the underscore and may also want to move the power ratio column farther to the right. | | |
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| See also | 106d changes the default formatting st | tring for the scoreboard. | |
| | Based on <u>003r</u> (code for deferred UI u | pdates) | |
| Rationale | To make some info about other civs que the main map all the time. | uickly available without obstructing the view on | |
| | Choice of the extra columns: The trade hover text (merged from BULL) lists tra | e network icon isn't helpful in itself, but the ade routes and active deals. | |
| Tbd. | the flag button, the mouse focus switch That's probably a side-effect of the CvI | Probably won't fix: When moving the cursor quickly from the expanded scoreboard to the flag button, the mouse focus switches to the main map behind the flag button. That's probably a side-effect of the CvInterface::makeSelectionListDirty call in CvGame::update. Also, sometimes clicks on Globe layer buttons aren't registered; but that may also be the case in BtS(2) | |
| Explains widemograph espionage demograph exceeded. but only ap expanded. | hat the ratio means and why rival house are visible: by how many points the threshold for seeing explicitly or research (whichever applies) is Power ratio column enabled by default opears when the scoreboard is | UG has added the power ratio column. No over text. The power ratio is only shown if a val's demographics are visible through spionage. In BUG, the power ratio column is nabled by default, in K-Mod, disabled by default. color-coding is customizable through the BUG nenu ("Score" tab) but the settings apply to rivals | |
| See also | aren't color-coded. Color settings for power ratios (Advanced Scoreboard.xml) are tagged with advc.004. | | |
| Rationale | The power ratio is useful (especially because it implies visible demographics), but bulky and potentially confusing, in part, because it isn't obvious which power rating is in the divisor. Hover text and expanding scoreboard address these problems. | | |
| Tbd. | The info about the see-research threshold might make more sense in the rival-research help text. Would have to add a new help widget for that because the widget currently used doesn't have room for the rival player id in its data structure; but that's not much work. Could then also remove the active player's research progress from the help text (unexpected in this context). Still, showing the see-research info in the power ratio help text is quite economical as it doesn't take up any extra space (see-research implies see-demographics). | | |
| | While I wouldn't want to use the attitude and worst enemy icons even in the expanded scoreboard, it would still be nice to add some simple hover text: Worst enemy: "You are Alexander's worst enemy" Attitude: just "Friendly" etc. | | |
| | Some useful info that could be shown in hover text for the religion icons? No text at currently and they're always shown. | | |
| (maximized | d) scoreboard has no effect. | he scoreboard is minimized when the active layer is clicked. The minimized scoreboard hows only the active player's row. | |

| through "Tog | gle Scoreboard".) | |
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| Rationale | I don't think minimized scoreboard is minimize the scoreboard may not kn | good for anything, and players who accidentally ow how to maximize it again. |
| over a civ's s | score value. Always for the active or others, in Debug mode if the Ctrl | When hovering over the active player's score or name, a score breakdown is shown. Can't show score breakdowns for other civs. |
| the scoreboa enemy or wa active player pretty much when hoverir | ng over the active player's name on ard, help text shows whose worst ar enemy the active player is, and the 's total war weariness is shown. (I.e. the same info as is shown by K-Moding over the active player's portrait on Advisor screen.) | |
| Rationale | Want to make worst-enemy info and | war weariness easier to access. |
| Tbd. | Combine the functions CvDLLWidget CvGameTextMgr::parseLeaderHead | Data::parseContactCivHelp and Help; they do largely the same thing. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | esearch is visible, the scoreboard ch progress as a percentage. | Show turns remaining. |
| | The turns remaining fluctuate too much as the AI adjusts its sliders or goes into Anarchy. Plus, the percentage can be shown even when no tech has been chosen yet, avoiding confusion as to whether research has stopped being visible. (Naturally, this problem could also be solved e.g. by showing some sort of empty tech icon when no tech is being researched.) | |

| 086 | Hover text on the "Finances" tab (Economics Advisor) revised | |
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| See also | Hover text merged from BULL is tagged with "BULL - Finance Advisor". | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS/BULL |
| | | Some items in the commerce, income and expenses breakdowns have hover text with explanations or additional breakdowns. |
| Finance tab lists commerce from domestic trade even when it's 0. | | |
| Rationale | To avoid confusion. | |
| Credits | Th334 | |

| 087 | Streamlined some BULL hover text | |
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| See also | 086 above also deals with that. 004: Misc. UI changes 124 prevents trade with unrevealed cities. I've added a bit of help text about that to the BULL "Trade Hover". Only shown when 0 cities of a rival are known. | |
| AdvCiv | | BULL |
| The list of active deals in the hover text of the | | BtS show no hover text for that icon. BULL shows |

| dual deals, i. | k icon on the scoreboard omits all e. peace treaties, Open Borders and Defensive Pacts (DP). | information about foreign trade routes and lists all active deals. |
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| See also | 106d hides the trade network icon by default. | |
| Rationale | Open Borders can be inferred from the trade route info. For peace treaties, there's a separate icon (enabled by default). The icon for DP is hidden by default, but DP really have nothing to do with the trade network and players should have their DP memorized anyway. This means only resource deals and gold-per-turn gifts (rare) are listed. Resource deals require a trade connection, so it makes sense to show them in this context. | |
| The hover text for the food display on the city screen shows a simpler breakdown when food only comes from worked tiles and is lost only through consumption. | | BtS shows no hover text on the food display. BULL shows a very through breakdown with several subtotals. A BULL comment (copied into AdvCiv) above CvGameTextMgr::setFoodHelp (cpp file) shows the format of the breakdown. |
| Rationale | e Food production and loss in most cities are very simple; no need for any subheadings. | |

| 088 | Keyboard shortcut for unselecting all units | |
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| See also | 002: other cosmetic changes 004: other misc. UI changes | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Can unsele | ect all units by briefly holding Shift+U. | The only way to select no unit is, to my knowledge, to give orders to all units. While a unit is selected, an animated circle is shown around it on the main map and the unit action buttons are displayed. |
| Rationale | For just studying the map for a while or for taking a screenshot. The fewer distractions, the better. | |
| Config | The key combination is set in BUG Core.xml and additionally in CvGlobals.h because automatic unit cycling needs to be suppressed. That's also why the keys need to be held for a moment. | |

| < 099 | Still unassigned |
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| < U33 | Still ullassigned |

| 099 | Culture isn't removed when a civ is destroyed | |
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| See also | Could merge <u>dlph.24</u> fully in order to stop colonial vassals from using the slot of a dead civ (which, I suppose, resets the culture of the dead civ). | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | v is eliminated, its culture remains in and keeps causing anger. | When a civ is eliminated, its culture disappears as well. |
| The AI player is announced as having been "defeated". | | An announcement says the <i>civ</i> was "destroyed". |
| Anger before and after conquest is explained as Before elimination, anger from culture is | | |

"We resent being ruled by a foreign culture".

Anger is 40% of the foreign population with Open Borders (or capitulated vassal or Barbarian), 125% times 40% = 50% without OB (or if they're defeated), and 175% times 40% = 70% while at war; all rounded down.

(Until v0.96, the multipier for no Open Borders was 150%; reduced in response to this post by xyx.)

explained as "We yearn to join our motherland". No anger after elimination (the motherland is gone).

Anger is 40% of the foreign population while at peace, and 150% of that, i.e. 60%, while at war, both rounded down.

Rationale

Removes one strong incentive for conquering a civ entirely. The goal is to make a vassal agreement the correct choice most of the time – less micro-management that way. Also intended to weaken military strategies.

It's also glaringly implausible that a culture would instantly disappear.

No AI changes: conquering cities is still very desirable, and the AI doesn't consider anger from culture anyway when deciding whether to accept a capitulation.

Config

The anger can be tweaked through XML (GlobalDefines_advc), but can't re-enable cultural elimination. This is because BtS doesn't actually set culture to 0 in one place, but checks for elimination in numerous places and treats culture as 0 when appropriate, so making it optional is messy.

Credits

Contributions by Chronis, Ifgr and vincentz CFC thread

See also

Chapter about "Immortal Culture"

<u>130w</u> adds a diplo penalty for cities with high foreign culture.

099b

Tile culture decays

Each round, the culture value of each player (civs Tile culture doesn't decay. (But it's treated as 0 and Barbarians) in each tile is decreased by 1%. when a civ is eliminated.)

When a tile is within the city radius of at least one civ, the tile culture of civs that don't have the tile within a city radius decays faster: if the tile is within the outer ring of any city radius, 2 percentage points are added to the decay rate, and 4 percentage points if it's within the inner ring of any city radius. Exception: civs with less culture in the tile than the city owner with the highest culture don't suffer from expedited decay.

(This change does not affect city culture.)

Rationale

Should lead to fewer unworkable tiles (see also the rationale for <u>035</u>) and fewer issues with stranded AI stacks (see also rationale for <u>034</u>). Higher decay rates would accomplish more, but I don't want tiles to flip too easily around conquered cities. That said, in BtS, it's too difficult to culture-flip tiles in the radius of a conquered city, especially in Renaissance or later; tiles have tens of thousands of culture points by then. It generally takes too long for city culture rate to translate into relative tile culture in BtS.

Another way of looking at the decay rates: If a tile receives culture at a constant rate, tile culture can't exceed that rate times the (multiplicative) inverse of the decay rate, e.g. 100 if the decay rate is 1%.

Why not simply tweak the culture spread formula so that tiles near cities receive more

| | culture? The player only sees the culture percentages, so, visually, it doesn't make a difference. I don't want to increase culture on tiles that are near multiple cities of the same civ lest that "two cities would almost always be able to culture press a solo city" (from the K-Mod readme file). The main goal is to allow civs to work tiles in their (exclusive) city radii. That's also why I'm exempting civs with less tile culture than the city owner. It's fine if another civ has 45% tile culture so long as the 55% civ is able to work the tile. The exemption also makes it easier to implement this change without a performance penalty. | | |
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| Config | TILE_CULTURE_DECAY_PER_MILL and CITY_RADIUS_DECAY in GlobalDefines_advc.xml | | |
| See also | 035 (disabled): City owns all tiles that no other city could work It turns out that "RoM: A New Dawn" also has a culture decay mechanism (SourceForge link to revision), but theirs is only triggered every 50 turns and then halves tile culture. For performance reasons I suppose; but I've managed to make the computing time negligibly short in my implementation after some tweaking. | | |
| Cities in oc | Cities in occupation produce 0 city culture, but the present city culture generates tile culture as normal. | | |
| Rationale | This should give civs that allow their cities to revolt a harder time. | | |
| No increas | reased decay in city tiles, nor in tiles owned by Barbarians. | | |
| Rationale | Don't care if Barbarians are able to work tiles. Rather give those tiles to civs with strong culture. | | |
| | Culture in city tiles doesn't affect which tiles are workable. The increased decay would make revolts and anger from foreign culture easier to handle, which isn't what I want. The exception for city tiles can lead to higher culture percentages of the city owner in tiles surrounding the city than in the city tile. This is a bit odd, but not a real problem I hope. | | |
| 099с | Cities revolt regardless of culture range | | |
| See also | 210b adds an alert about positive revolt probabilities | | |
| can revolt, the owner ocity nearby game optic | | | |
| | e adjustments to AI willingness to itulation vs. trying to capture further | | |
| Rationale | To remove another incentive for eliminating civs, to make conquests more costly and culture more relevant. | | |
| | Resurrecting a prior owner seems needlessly messy; the probabilistic occupation times (change <u>023</u>) should make revolts from dead culture painful enough. Joining the Barbarian civ would be easy – but strange, I think, because the city would then train units based on the Barbarian tech level. | | |
| | Not sure if cities with high living foreign culture but outside of foreign culture range should be allowed to flip. Let's say the rebels only dare joining the homeland if the homeland is near enough to protect them. | | |
| Config | Can (largely) restore BtS behavior through REVOLTS_IGNORE_CULTURE_RANGE in | | |

GlobalDefines advc.xml.

can't flip to Barbarian control though, and Barbarian culture strength is only counted half in another city to revolt. surrounding tiles.

Cities can't flip from a master to its vassal; only go into occupation. Increased strength of foreign Can flip between vassal and master. No way then culture in cities of capitulated vassals.

Barbarian culture can cause cities to revolt. They Essentially the same, but Barbarian cities have practically never enough culture range to cause

> Culture in tiles adjacent to the city always contributes to the foreign culture strength, and, ultimately, the revolt chance.

for the master to get the city back.

Rationale

Not sure about this. Seems more flavorful/ historical to let conquered Barbarians revolt. Might play better without these revolts; players don't expect them, and conquering Barbarians should be easier than conquering civs. Then again, Barbarians don't generate much culture, so it doesn't take much effort to suppress them, at least not when the surrounding tiles don't count. Could say that only counting the city tile models the (political) disunity of the Barbarians.

Could easily implement flipping to Barbarian control. Historically, that hasn't really happened; see the list of colonial uprisings here (Wikipedia). More accurately modeled as a period of unrest.

Flipping from master to vassal could incentivize elimination over capitulation. Also, I find it ultimately more annoying than challenging.

Config

BARBS REVOLT **SWitCh in** GlobalDefines advc.xml

See also

025 reduces culture spread from capitulated vassals

religions if

a) the civ to whom the revolt culture belongs is alive, not a capitulated vassal of the city owner, has a state religion and that religion in present in the city; or

b) if the city owner has a state religion, and that religion is not present in the city but some other religion is.

No change: The revolt chance is decreased (which may cancel out the above) if the city owner has a state religion, and that religion is present in the city.

The revolt chance is also decreased (but only half as much) if the city owner has no state religion.

All city owner is slightly inclined to switch to the religion of the foreign population.

The revolt chance is increased on account of city Only a) increases the revolt chance, and also applies to capitulated vassals. Dead culture can't cause revolts.

> When there is a non-state religion in the city, then an oppressive state religion (which is not present in the city) is no worse than no state religion.

Rationale

almost removed this complicated stuff entirely, but it's kind of nice that spreading one's state religion can help flip a city. The BtS rule doesn't work for dead culture, so I felt that some replacement was needed to balance out the decreased revolt chance from owner's state religion. The BtS rule also doesn't work well for capitulated vassals of the city owner: The owner can just tell the vassal to switch to a different religion; not an interesting decision, and players that aren't aware of the religion/revolt rules get confused or screwed.

| Halved the I | religion-based modifiers (see above). | |
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| Rationale | Spreading one's state religion had made a huge difference previously, going from doubled to halved foreign culture strength, i.e. a factor of 4. | |
| Config | STATE_RELIGION_MODIFIER parame | ters in GlobalDefines_advc. |
| If a city can't flip on the third revolt (because the cultural owner is dead or flipping disabled in options), it loses one population instead (and goes into occupation). No extra penalty if flipping isn't possible; occupation periods just keep getting longer. | | |
| Rationale | punishing until numerous revolts hav | revolt probabilities (the lost turns don't become e taken place). And it would be strange if cities population reduces the revolt probability so that populated but pacified. |
| game speed) after a city was founded in the founded within the culture range of a foreign | | No such period of grace, but since cities can't be founded within the culture range of a foreign city, revolt chance is always 0 in newly founded cities. |
| Rationale | Now often an issue in the early game when founding anywhere near a foreign border. Probability tends to decrease quickly as the new city starts spreading tile culture, but can get unlucky with revolts until then. Don't want that randomness, don't want to punish settling near foreign borders (player can't even tell that there is foreign culture; not shown on unowned tiles), and don't want to scare players with an initially high revolt probability. | |
| Extra AI def | Extra AI defenders in cities that might revolt. No code for this at all. The AI tends to put units border cities though, against external threats. | |
| Rationale | Since revolts no longer occur only in | border cities, the AI had to be adjusted. |

| 099d | Can't spread religions during civil disorder. | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Missionaries and Executives can't spread religions/ corporations in cities that are in disorder (from occupation, anarchy or a random event). | | Can spread regardless of disorder, but there isn't much of a point because happiness and culture from religion have no effect during disorder, and revolt chance is 0. |
| Rationale | Now that the occupation duration is linked to the revolt probability, spreading a religion right after conquering a city could reduce the (expected) occupation time. Don't want players to micromanage missionaries to spread religions right after conquest. Also seems realistic that religious communities (or corporate branches) can't be established during disorder. | |
| Tbd. | Would be better to show the Spread Religion button grayed out with explanatory text. Currently, the button isn't shown when a city is in unrest. | |

| 099e | Al for promotions that reduce revolt chance | |
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| AdvCiv | | Warlords |
| promotions and when moving units. | | A promotion with revolt protection is chosen based on whether the cultural owner of the current tile differs from the actual owner. |

| | R V | When moving units, revolt protection is ignored. Revolt protection from promotions was added in Varlords but remained unused. K-Mod gave the eadership promotion 50% revolt protection. |
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| Rationale | Too much work to do this properly (see <i>Tbd.</i> below). What Warlords does is worse than nothing. | |
| Tbd. | The promotion should be selected based on the revolt chance in a nearby city, the number of units already stationed there and the revolt protection percentage. When there is a city with a high revolt chance, a unit with revolt protection should be given a defensive Unit AI type and stationed in that city. | |

| 099f | Culture display on unowned tiles | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS/K-Mod |
| percentages are shown on unowned tiles that | | Culture percentages are shown on owned, actively visible tiles. No way to see the culture of unowned tiles. |
| No change to | o the culture layer; still doesn't color | In BtS, culture can't spread to unowned tiles, but revolts and razing can still result in unowned tiles with culture. In K-Mod, culture spreads to unowned tiles all the time. |
| Config | Option on the "Map" tab of the BUG menu to show the percentages always. | |
| Rationale | Occasionally helpful to know, i.e. when considering to settle in no man's land near a foreign border or cleared through razing. Such cities can't revolt in BtS and K-Mod, but they can in AdvCiv. | |
| | The absolute culture values would be even more helpful, but I guess players really aren't supposed to see those. | |
| | Culture layer: While it would make sense for a layer called "culture display" to prioritize info about culture over info about ownership, there has to be some way to see tile ownership in Globe view, and, currently, the culture layer is the only way (ct 004z). | |

| 099g | Order of tile culture percentages in help text | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Show the tile owner's percentage on top, then the percentage of the active player and the rest in descending order. | | Tile owner on top, the rest in turn order. |
| Rationale | Not sure if ordering by culture is really an improvement. I don't think it hurts as lines don't align anyway when moving the mouse from one tile to another; so a uniform order doesn't really help. | |
| | Showing the active player second (comprovement in scenarios when the | or first if it's the tile owner) should be an active player isn't in slot 0. |
| See also | I also wanted to try putting all percentages on a single line – to make more room for the unit list (<u>061</u>). However, the single line seemed quite a bit harder to read or would at least take some getting used to. So the code for that remains commented out in | |

| CvGameTextMgr::setPlotHelp. | |
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| 100 | Changes to sponsored wars | |
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| See also | 146: Peace treaty between sponsor and the civ that declares war. 210a: Alert about AI willingness to be hired for war. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When an AI civ declares war at the request of another civ (hired/bribed for war), the DoW message informs the human players about this sponsorship: "declared war on at the request of Alexander." | | Humans don't learn about AI bribes. |
| Rationale | of the AI, and makes it clear that the | strategically, but makes it easier to make sense Al actually does sponsor wars. Moreover, if Al ou brought in a war ally against us!"), the human too. |
| Al civs are reluctant to be hired for war against a | | Weak AI civs are sometimes bribed into joining wars against powerful civs. An AI civ doesn't consider its individual military power but only the total power of the war coalitions. |
| Rationale | Rationale War against a considerably stronger civ is a big risk, even as part of a coalition, and in any case, the weakest link is unlikely to conquer any cities. Moreover, sponsorin wars was too cheap overall. | |
| Config | WAR_TRADEVAL_POWER_WEIGHT in Gl | obalDefines_advc. |
| against third | ating peace, no declarations of war parties can be discussed: no r On" items are shown on the trade | Normally blocked by "we don't like you enough" or "will never trade with our worst enemy," but it may occasionally be possible to hire an AI civ for war as part of a peace treaty. |
| Rationale | Shouldn't show the option if the AI practically always refuses, and Cautious attitude despite war is an oddity that shouldn't matter. Could instead remove the attitude checks while at war. Seems more realistic that such options can't be discussed. Would also take a bit of implementation work because the the war trade should be evaluated assuming that the peace treaty is already signed. | |
| 100b | Brokered peace shown in replays | |
| Brokered pe ("brokered b | ace is shown in the replay log y"). | Replay log only says "has made peace with". |

| 101 | Revolt after conquest | |
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| See also | 210b shows an alert when revolt probability changes from 0 to a positive value. | |
| AdvCiv | K-Mod | |

Reverted the K-Mod 0.9 change to revolt Revolt probability increases superlinearly with the probabilities, and made some changes of my percentage of foreign culture, while garrison own. I did keep the K-Mod game speed scaling. strength does not. There are some other mechanisms at work, but the effect is that Revolt probability increases (essentially) linearly sometimes, especially after conquest, no stack is with the percentage of foreign culture, as it does large enough to keep a city from revolting. in BtS, but the strength of the culture garrison is now exponentiated. This means that doubling On the other hand, a medium-size stack is often the garrison of a city more than doubles the enough to reduce the revolt probability nearly to 0 protection against revolts, and a large stack of but not all the way. recent units can suppress any revolt. More specifically, the culture garrison strength CGS values are set in XML to e.g. 3 for Warrior, 6 (CGS) of each individual unit is reduced to two for Maceman and 9 for Rifleman (same in BtS). thirds, then taken to the power of 1.4, and the The total garrison strength of a city is the sum of sum of these values is again taken to the power these values. of 1.2. The K-Mod behavior is intended, i.e. it's not that karadoc hadn't considered flipping Rationale after conquest; see discussion here. I can see how keeping a city can be harder than conquering it in the first place – but not that much harder. Say, ten good units should generally suffice to hold on to a city. If this makes revolts easy to prevent late in the game – fine; it's mostly early expansion that needs to be paced. The near-0 probabilities in K-Mod are a really bad idea imo. Disastrous events with low probabilities are annoying, think of nuclear meltdowns. I'm doing the opposite by giving garrisons a superlinear effect, so that it's hopefully clearer whether a city is worth keeping and less up to chance. REVOLT TOTAL CULTURE MODIFIER in GlobalDefines advc. Config AdvCiv BtS Revolt strength is reduced based on the highest Only tile culture of nearby civs matters. The 10% city tile culture of any civ, even if that civ doesn't in the example would lead to a high revolt have a nearby city. For example, when the probability because it's much more than the owner of a city has almost no culture, say, 1%, owner's 1%. and the only other nearby civ has some culture but also not much, say 10%, the revolt probability is low or zero. Rationale Don't want to reward civs for just 10% (or so) culture, especially not uninvolved parties in wars. Also implausible that the 10% would find sufficient support for a revolt. See also A somewhat common issue because of <u>099</u> (culture of dead civs sticks around). Revolt strength reduced if foreign tile culture isn't Revolt strength is increased by up to 100% if far higher than owner's tile culture. E.g. if foreign owner's tile culture is small, but high owner's tile culture is just 25% greater than owner's culture can't reduce the base strength from

culture, revolt strength is reduced to 25%.

population and surrounding tiles.

a couple of units when the owner's tile culture is still have a high revolt chance. close to the foreign tile culture.

This makes revolts easy to suppress with one or Cities with up to 49% tile culture of the owner can

Rationale

Counterintuitive that a city could easily flip at nearly 50-50 tile culture. The change rewards the owner for building up culture, even if the owner hasn't (yet) reached parity.

| , , , , | | The option is called "City flipping after conquest" and disabled by default. |
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| | Part of my efforts to weaken military mechanism, so it should be (fully) er | strategies. I want to build on the revolt nabled by default. |
| | Siege except Machine Gun) to 50% through | E.g. Catapult has CGS 4, same as Axeman; Tank 12, same as Marine. Machine Gun 9, same as Rifleman. |
| Since v0.94, the CGS of Catapult, Trebuchet, Cannon, Artillery and Mobile Artillery are reduced through XML; no change to Armored units. | | |
| | | ntuitive. One would assume Catapults to be less men or other infantry. It's asymmetrical warfare. units having relatively high CGS. |
| | Important that Machine Guns are ex defenders. | empt because the AI uses these as standard city |
| | | nples of tanks being effective at suppressing ineffective. Better to leave the CGS value |
| Config | Civ4UnitInfos.xml | |
| | Consider giving Spy a positive CGS, possibly also recon units. Espionage should somehow help against revolts. ("Spread Culture" does in K-Mod, but needs to happen before conquering the city, which requires some foresight.) | |
| | | The garrison is killed. Bumping only happens when flipping at peace-time. |
| | | ndish. Bumping Barbarians would be unusual, and game balance. I guess they just lay down their |
| Credits | The issue had been pointed out (and | d narrowed down) by DarkLunaPhantom <u>here</u> . |
| Added the number of prior revolts to the Nationality help text, and whether the city will flip on the next revolt. Help text only shows the revolt probability. | | Help text only shows the revolt probability. |
| All civs that k revolt. | know a city are notified about a | Only the actual owner and the cultural owner are notified. |
| interface as part of the plot help text. | | Need to enter city screen to see revolt probability; no way to see revolt probability of a foreign city. |
| | | e <u>210b</u>), the main interface should indicate when a ange <u>002f</u> makes room for another indicator). An screen would be nice to have. |
| | May have to disable the notifications (given change 099c) in large games | s again if they turn out to happen too frequently . |
| | Revolt probability in visible foreign c knowledge. | ities shouldn't be secret – all factors are public |

population of the city. If the city has ever had a higher population than currently, then, over the course of 75 turns (slightly longer or shorter on speed settings other than Normal), a gradually higher population is assumed, up to a maximum of the highest population ever.

Revolt probability is initially based on the current Always based on the highest-ever population of the city.

Culture in the eight adjacent tiles factors into foreign culture strength; the effect increases over and can increase culture strength significantly. time (same mechanism as above for population). Culture points in those tiles don't count directly. After 50 turns (on Normal speed), culture strength is further increased when adjacent tiles are *owned* by the foreign civ.

Ownership of the adjacent tiles always counts,

While there is hurry anger ("cruel oppression"), foreign culture strength is increased as if the city had 5 population more and the resulting foreign culture strength is increased by 50%. The Al doesn't use Slavery in cities that already have a positive revolt chance.

| Rationale | I think the BtS rules are supposed to make cities flip faster once the adjacent tiles have flipped. Loss of tiles will often lead to population loss, which would normally reduce culture strength. | |
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| | I agree that cities enveloped by foreign culture should flip quickly, but I don't want conquered cities to be untenable, and I don't want players to feel compelled to continue their wars in order to push back foreign borders. My rules are supposed to give the conqueror time to build up some culture. | |
| That's all overly complicated (already in BtS), but hopefully players don't nee the details. | | |
| | Slavery would be an easy way to get around anger from foreign culture, and to keep the population small, making the city easier to pacify. | |
| See also | If <u>035</u> is enabled, it's <i>cultural</i> ownership (highest tile culture that matters for the revolt chance after 50 turns. 912d allows Slavery to be disabled. | |
| Barbarian c | ities flip on the second revolt. Flip on the first revolt. | |
| Rationale | Given the increased revolt probabilities in K-Mod and AdvCiv and the removal of the range restriction for revolts (099c), a single Barbarian revolt happens (way) too quickly. A holy city conquered by Barbarians in the early game would flip back in something like 10 turns. | |

| 102 | Show fewer foreign moves | Show fewer foreign moves | |
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| Tbd. | Perhaps enforce "Quick Move | es" for non-hostile foreign units. | |
| AdvC | iv | BtS | |

When a move starts in a visible plot and ends in Only moves ending in visible plots are shown. In an invisible plot, the camera is centered on the the case of a multi-tile move ending in an start plot and the player gets to see/ glimpse the invisible tile, not even the visible portion of the unit moving out of sight. move is shown. Not shown: Units that begin and end the turn in invisible tiles, i.e. move only through a visible tile. Would make sense to show units passing through, but difficult to implement: can't Rationale catch the unit as it moves. What's easy to do is show the empty traversed tile, but that's confusing, and it doesn't make sense that the player learns about the tile but not the unit that moved. Better not to show those moves at all. Tbd. Often the unit moving out of sight is already gone when the camera jumps there. Not sure if this can be helped. Implemented based on 003k, which allows data members to be added to See also CvSelectionGroup. Al avoids patrolling within its own borders and Al constantly patrols within its own borders and won't patrol beyond a 10-tile radius around its those of other civs, especially with fast pillagers cities. Units for pillaging don't normally patrol. like Knights. Patrolling units tend to move in a consistent Patrol movement is memoryless; narrow patters. direction. Leads to wider patterns. The patrols make "show enemy/friendly moves" unusable, and there isn't much of a Rationale point. After all, borders grant visibility. I guess patrols add some uncertainty to smallscale surprise attacks (can't be sure how many units exactly are going to be near a city at a given time) and could help against nukes. Well, anti-nuke AI behavior needs to be improved at a later point anyway. Patrols in foreign borders make some AI visibility cheats less obvious, but that's not a good enough reason. Patrols in unowned land can keep Barbarians away from the Al's rivals; unowned land should only be patrolled if it's not too far away from the Al's cities. Tbd. I didn't disable inner-border patrols entirely because, in order to patrol unowned land, Al units may have to traverse owned land. Moving in one direction for a longer time also helps with that. That said, patrols in unowned land don't seem crucial either. Against Barbarians, the guard-city-site AI routine is probably more effective. The 10-tile distance check should perhaps also consider cities of (non-human) teammates and vassals. Might not be worth the extra computing time though. Moves of non-hostile Workers, Missionaries and All unit moves are shown. Executives within their owners' cultural borders are no longer shown when the "show friendly moves" option is enabled. As for non-hostile ships, moves of human ships and cargo ships are always shown (except AI ships on patrol). moves of other ships only when moving into sight, out of sight or inside the borders of the observing player.

| Rationale | disabled (change <u>010</u>), I doubt that s it's a bit trickier because a passing C | ver interesting. Even if Worker stealing weren't seeing rival Worker moves would help. For ships, caravel could matter (target for Privateer, or could patrolling Destroyers. Cargo units that can carry ny case. |
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| | , , | s on patrol, I'm giving away some info about the cargo ship is practically always a patrol, and oying to watch. |
| Config | SHOW_FRIENDLY_WORKER_MOVES and GlobalDefines_advc | SHOW_FRIENDLY_SEA_MOVES in |
| Tbd. | Could be an issue for enemy moves as well when there is city visibility from espionage. So, should perhaps apply the change to enemy moves too. | |
| Related: Fixed a bug that caused AI non-combat units to oscillate between safe cities when at war. See- change 001. (Also fixed in K-Mod 1.45, now using the K-Mod fix.) | | |
| "show friendly moves" can be toggled using Shift + M. If the option is toggled this way, the change won't be visible in the Options menu, and won't be saved upon leaving the game. (Disabled through a switch in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. Turned out I had never used this.) | | |
| No moves are shown when in Globe view. If the Unit layer is active in Globe view, then the layer colors and indicator positions are updated as foreign units move (without a delay and regardless of the show-moves options). The camera jumps around, but the moving units aren't visible in Globe view. If the Unit layer is enabled, the positions of the unit indicators are updated as foreign units move, but the layer colors aren't updated. | | |
| See also | See also Requires <u>004m</u> to be able to tell if the Unit layer is active. | |

| Spy unit can investi | gate cities | |
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| AdvCiv | BtS | Vanilla/Warlords |
| There is a passive mission that works as in BtS and an active mission with a base cost of 40 espionage points and guaranteed success. (For comparison, Counterespionage costs 100 and also guarantees success; as in BtS.) The Al doesn't use this new mission, i. still, to an extent, cheats with th information that is taken into account. Once the player closes the city screen, the Spy unit has its movement points spent but isn't teleported anywhere. The owne of the Spy can enter the city | give away some information. The AI code for some of the active missions (e.g. "Foment Unrest") use information about the attacked city that the AI doesn't explicitly have, though that information can mostly be deduced. (E.g. the happiness level of a city is mostly a matter of civics and luxury resources, both public knowledge.) | moved. City religion can also grant visibility. No visibility from espionage points. |
| screen for free any number of times for the remainder of the turn. | All successful active missions cause the Spy unit to be teleported to its owner's capital. | As far as I remember, Spy units aren't teleported anywhere after a mission. |
| When investigating a city, the | When investigating a city, the owner's commerce slider positions, | Same info revealed as in BtS |

| | r, income and current research, gold in treasury hidden. Slider and per-turn income are shown on still visible. | | |
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| Config | Investigate mission added through GameInfo\CIV4EspionageMissionInfo.xml. Car remove it there or adjust its cost and success chance. To allow free investigation, one can set binvestigate to 1 for the Spy unit and Great Spy unit in Units\Civ4Unit Infos.xml. I had done this until v0.95 along with a change in the DLL (which is still in place) that prevents spies from investigating if they've spent any movement points. After some testing, I felt that this made investigation too easy and added the active mission. | | |
| Rationale | To make Spies more useful for players that don't invest heavily in espionage. Also, constructing wonders is more fun when one can find out who else is in the race. Players don't spend thousands of espionage points just to find out if someone is currently building a wonder. | | |
| | In Vanilla/WL, investigation was too easy though, hence the cost. I've disabled the teleport so that players can investigate a city to find out its weaknesses and then execute one of the take-that missions on the next turn. | | |
| | No gratuitous info about foreign research because this would supersede the passive (and more or less reasonably priced) "See Research" mission. | | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps the cost needs to scale with the game progress somehow, e.g. the era of the city owner. | | |
| | Confusing: When inspecting a city that has just grown, the new citizen has no job at all (not listed as a Citizen specialist either). | | |
| See also | 120d: Mission cost for Sabotage Production no longer shown on the Espionage screen. It had previously been possible to guess based on that cost whether a city was close to completing a wonder. | | |
| | 001: Bugfix in CvPlayer::getUnitArtInfo that shows unit art on the city screen in the owner's art style. | | |

| 104 | UWAI: See chapter <u>Utility-Based War AI</u> |
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| | Most of the changes are in newly created classes. I've added a few auxiliary functions in pre-existing classes too. Technical documentation only inline. There are also some changes in unlikely places, which I've marked with the following sub-ids. |
| | Since the skeleton of the code was written before I thought of the name "UWAI", the identifiers in the code are prefixed with "wpai" or "WarAndPeace(AI)". |
| See also | 210a: UWAI changes that make the war trades alert less noisy. |
| Config | By checking "Aggressive AI (Legacy)" on the Custom Game screen, UWAI can be disabled. Can also disable it through XML, even in a running game (after saving and exiting), by setting either <code>uwai_in_background</code> or <code>disable_uwai</code> in <code>Assets\xml</code> GlobalDefines_devel.xml. |
| | UWAI settings in AI_Variables_GlobalDefines.xml. |
| Tbd. | Would be nice if the per-turn UWAI log file (configured in GlobalDefines_devel.xml) could be closed at the end of a turn, so that it can be deleted without having to exit the game first, but the logs are handled by CvDLLUtilityIFaceBase, which doesn't seem to allow files to be closed. |
| 104b | Code for measuring path lengths between cities. (A hack that measured distances between |

| | cities by generating paths for garrisoned unit | s was removed in v0.94.) | |
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| 104c | Al avoids military victory strategies in order to spare friends | | |
| AdvCiv/ UV | VAI | BBAI/ K-Mod | |
| When weighing its victory strategies, the Al considers whether a military victory (esp. conquest) will require an attack on a friend. If so, the AI will pursue different strategies instead. | | The AI doesn't take friendships into account when choosing victory strategies. | |
| If the AI still comes close to a military victory, it may ultimately attack friends, depending on the specific circumstances. | | Once stage 4 out of 4 of a military strategy is reached, the AI ignores attitude when it comes to war targets. | |
| Rationale | See the UWAI chapter. Victory strate case, the strategy weights need to be | gies aren't within the scope of UWAI, but, in this e aligned with the DoW policy. | |
| Config | Only effective if UWAI is enabled. | | |
| See also | 115: Al commitment to victory stratec | gies | |
| 104d | (overlapping) code in the targetCit | | |
| | And some changes to CvPlayerAI::AI_targetCityVal to make the AI target cities of rivals en route to a peaceful victory more reliably when in multiple wars or when considering multiple wars. These changes apply (for non-hypothetical wars) also when UWAI is disabled. | | |
| 104e | Halved military power values of ships through the DLL. | | |
| | | str.) of Maceman from 9 to 8; Samurai at 9 (no guar at 5 (was 6). Increased power of Infantry to | |
| Rationale | units doesn't matter. But the K-Mod A that ships are only useful in certain s | separately, so the power of ships relative to land AI uses a single power rating, and, considering ituations, ships contribute too much power. Also, egic AI choices are based on a single power vs only one rating as well. | |
| | High power of Maceman makes UWAI overestimate Maceman when predicting military build-up; appears as a better offensive unit than Grenadier. The bonus against melee isn't that useful for this type of unit at that point of the game (whereas 7 power for Crossbowman seems OK). UWAI (if enabled) increases the power values of all offensive units that can receive city raider promotions; this gives Maceman another boost. | | |
| | The 25% bonus of Infantry vs. Gunpowder is very valuable, whereas Woodsman I shouldn't be enough to bring Jaguar to the same power as Swordsman (which has 1 more strength). Montezuma is suicidal enough without overestimating his unique unit. | | |
| Config | Civ4UnitInfos.xml | | |
| See also | 131 also makes some changes to XML AI settings, e.g. the asset value of Infantry. The BASE mod also halves the military power of ships (but I didn't get the idea from there). | | |
| 104f | More narrow conditions for Dagger s | trategy | |
| | while in a chosen war; Dagger tirely when UWAI is enabled. | Having started a war doesn't affect Dagger. The Dagger strategy can overrule the "Get Better | |
| | | Units" strategy; that's why the K-Mod AI can | |

| | make Archer rushes. | |
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| Rationale | Staying in the Dagger strategy while at war doesn't make much of a difference for the K-Mod AI, but it gets in the way of my UWAI testing (UWAI running in the background while K-Mod decides). | |
| | The purpose of the Dagger strategy seems to have shifted from BAI to BBAI to K-Mod. <u>Here</u> 's the original description by Blake. The latest purpose was probably to build up units without having a war plan, and thus also without giving away war preparations through WHEOOHRN; then a sudden strike. UWAI solves this problem differently. | |
| 104g | Don't demand tribute from unreachable civs (implemented based on UWAI code) | |
| 104h | Moved the BtS and K-Mod code for negotiation of peace terms into a separate function, and made some minor functional changes (that also take effect when UWAI is disabled): | |
| | If the winning side doesn't have much interest in continuing the war, gold (and no tech) is considered as reparations. | |
| | The choice of tech for reparations is less randomized and more based on matching the target value for the reparations. | |
| 104 i | Refusal to talk (RTT) when at war. A new AI memory type, MEMORY_DECLARED_WAR_RECENT is used for distinguishing a DoW at the request of a third party or through a defensive pact (DP) or a vote from a normal DoW. | |
| Config | The MemoryDecayRand value of the new memory type determines the RTT duration in wars on behalf of a third party. This value can be set through Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml, and a default of 11 is hardcoded in the DLL (CvLeaderHeadInfo::getMemoryDecayRand). That default value corresponds to an expected RTT duration of 11 turns. (Though, as in BtS, war success and AI personality can shorten the duration.) | |
| Tbd. | When the AI is already willing to talk according to the BtS rules, adding DECLARED_WAR_RECENT memory has no effect. Thus, a civ could e.g. make peace with the target of a force-war resolution right after the vote. Not sure what to do about this. For a start, the turn on which a vote takes place or a war ally is brought in should be remembered. | |
| just those t | Pleads to a DoW, then declared-war-recent memory is added for all involved parties, not hat join the war through the DP. When peace is made between two civs, the civs lling to talk to the other side's DP allies. | |
| Rationale | Otherwise, the target of the original attack would be free to negotiate peace, while the allies that declared war because of the DP would be forced to continue the war. | |
| See also | dlph.3 allows DP despite war | |
| Tbd. | War votes should arguably lead to a (10-turn?) period of forced war. The current code based on AI memory can't enforce war between two human civs (or just for 1 turn). | |
| | civs make peace, all their declared-war-recent memory is set to 0, i.e. both become allk to everyone (unless war utility is too high). | |
| Rationale | Refusal to talk is a matter of fairness toward a third party (sponsor, DP ally, voting members of the AP). When a war party bows out (possibly said third party itself), it's a big enough change in circumstances to disregard any commitments for continuing the war. | |
| 104 j | Change in a master Al's war plans affects war plans of its vassals. The unit stacks decide where to invade first. Active even if UWAI is disabled, meaning that BBAI's CvTeamAI::AI_isOkayVassalTarget function ("Block AI from declaring war on a | |

| | distant vassal if it shares an area with the master") no longer works. | |
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| Rationale | With K-Mod's AI changes, I doubt that isOkayVassalTarget is really needed, whether UWAI is enabled or not. | |
| | I'm not allowing unit stacks to anticipate wars triggered by Defensive Pacts (DP) because diplo penalties need to be taken into account, so the strategic side of the AI needs to choose the target for the declaration of war and the tactical side needs to respect that decision. | |
| See also | 003b: It could be important for performance that CvTeam::getMasterTeam is precomputed. | |
| 104k | Moved rounding of trade values into an auxiliary function (no functional change) | |
| 1041 | Caching of war utility to keep the user interface fully responsive when checking if a civis willing to talk or willing to trade certain items. No functional change outside UWAI, but had to put some code to switch caching on and off into CVDLLWidgetData.cpp. | |
| 104m | Handling of tribute demands redirected to UWAI; fewer random AI requests and faster decay of AI memory about human response to tribute demands (only if UWAI enabled). | |
| | Regardless of whether UWAI is enabled: AI doesn't ask for help, an embargo or (no change) tribute if it's about to declare war on the player (war preparations complete). On Noble difficulty and higher, the AI only makes tribute demands with a significant trade value; e.g. won't just ask for a food resource or some small sum of gold. | |
| | The AI can demand gold per turn (not possible in BtS). The demanded sum is based on the human player's commerce rate and expenses (not on the current gold income which is often negative or near 0). | |
| Rationale | This should also address problems with players pillaging their own roads in order to cancel a deal that results from a tribute demand for a resource. That trick doesn't always work (the resource could be next to a river or in a city tile) and requires two roads to be pillaged, which is somewhat costly in the early game. So AI resource demands can make sense; don't want to disable them entirely. | |
| Tbd. | Resources and gold per turn demanded in tribute should be canceled automatically after 10 turns. This is difficult to implement; see comments in CvPlayer::handleDiploEvent, Case DIPLOEVENT ACCEPT DEMAND. | |
| | Though perhaps CvGame::handleDiplomacySetAIComment could help. | |
| 104n | Diplo votes | |
| 104o | Handling of sponsored wars and conditions for vassal agreements when UWAI enabled. | |
| 104p | Target size for invasion stacks based on difficulty and less random (even when UWAI is disabled). Always choose a target city while war is imminent. (BtS sets no target with one chance in three.) | |
| Rationale | Except on high difficulty settings, the AI often took too long to get invasions started after finishing preparations. | |
| 104q | Changed some K-Mod uses of WarPlanStateCounter to AtWarCounter | |
| 104r | Handling of empire split | |
| 104s | Propagate UWAI decisions about limited, total and naval war to other parts of the AI: | |
| | Treat faraway land targets as only reachable by sea. Change Area AI from Offensive or Massing to a naval assault type when UWAI | |

| | thinks that the attack should be made via sea. Increase train-invader chance when preparing a total war. (K-Mod: Chance only |
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| | increased once the war has started.) |
| 104t | Handling of team changes: Permanent Alliances and elimination of a team member |
| 104 u | Fixes initialization issues with scenarios |
| 104v | Messages about AI war preparations in all-AI games |
| See also | Chapter about <u>all-Al games</u> |
| 104w | Make all the Al's cash and gold-per-turn (up to a limit based on total commerce) available for peace deals, and trust the UWAI code not to spend more than peace is worth. |
| See also | 039 announces the conditions of peace deals to third parties. 036 and 550f make more gold available for trades other than peace deals. |
| 104x | Loading of Al-related parameters from AI_Variables_GlobalDefines.xml |

| 104y | No-war probability without Open Borders | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml would be 100% for a civ that the AI doesn't have Open Borders with, | | If the no-war probability is 100%, then the AI tends to behave non-aggressively. Depending on AI personality, Pleased or Friendly attitude is needed for 100%. |
| | Don't want humans to take advantage of a friendly AI neighbor by closing the borders and thus, possibly, preventing the neighbor from attacking anyone. | |

| 104z | | to war/ peace: "Spy Discovered", "Wedding esture". Random Events disabled by default. |
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| AdvCiv | 1 | BtS/K-Mod |
| Spy Discove | red – No change | There is some BtS code for deciding if the AI wants war, and K-Mod improves that code a bit. |
| to a random event will anger a rival civ that the | | The event data doesn't say that one of the responses can lead to a DoW; the AI only knows that the response is going to worsen relations. |
| rival is not too powerful. | If a rival is powerful, the AI is all the more inclined to anger that rival. As a result the AI will, on rare occasions, get into a war with a far too powerful rival. | |
| | tor, Heroic Gesture – Reduced the or peace from 50% to 33%. | The DLL gets no info at all about this event, so the AI has to decide based on the "AIValues" of the two possible responses. Both have the same value, so the AI ends up picking a response at 50-50 odds. |
| No Change | | The other side can still decide to continue the war but, if that's also an AI civ, it never does (no |

| | | change in AdvCiv). |
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| No Change | | Through, what karadoc calls "an ugly hack" in the respective canTrigger functions, K-Mod prevents the event from triggering when either side refuses to talk. |
| Rationale | random events; the sane approach is | use there are serious issues with almost all s really to disable them. The war/ peace events so I'm applying some more band-aids. |
| | Giving the opponent an option to ma negotiate via the trade table. And We | ents more or less hinge on irrational AI behavior. ke peace is pointless – the two civs could just edding Feud lets one civ pay 60 gold for a s simply asked whether it wants to declare war |
| | Eventinfo schema so that the DLL ca could probably also identify them bas CvRandomEventInterface.py Would | ree events would involve adding tags to the an tell what the events actually do. (The DLL sed on EventTriggerData, but that's messy.) And d have to call some new Python-exposed DLL ng a war (in the case of Wedding Feud) or always |
| | LunarMongoose's feature list) would | ongooseMod (see "Event Overhaul" in have to be the starting point. This Rise of erest. I don't think it fixes the war/peace events ch is closed-source). |
| | work more on the <u>DDiplo</u> changes in better handled by separate mechanispropagation. Pandemics and uprising end, mostly events that ask a player | vents (which require the AI to role-play; better stead). Similarly, tile yield changes could be sms for depletion/ degradation, prospecting and g would also deserve separate treatment. In the to pay gold should remain (though these will only e discouraged somehow) and events |
| See also | 106g is responsible for recording wa | r/peace events in replays. |
| | This open Git issue of the "We the People" mod mentions the problem of missing > tags for certain random events. | |
| "No Random | Events" enabled by default. | All options on the Custom Game screen are disabled by default. |
| Rationale | I feel that at this point (v0.94), the mod makes improvements in so many areas that players might expect that Random Events have also been overhauled. So I want to signal somehow that this isn't the case. Renaming the option to "Random Events" (disabled by default) would be more consistent, but players who update from v0.93 would have to toggle the option then. | |
| See also | | nquest" to "No City Flipping after Conquest". That opment when updating was less of a concern. |

| 105 | Al relies less on getAnyWarPlanCount | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Replaced m | nost calls of getAnyWarPlanCount | |
| and some of getAtWarCount with a new | | |

| _ | isFocusWar that ignores wars that not worth focusing on. | | |
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| (Other parts | of the AI code already take care of | The AI assigns lower utilities (found values) to settlement spots when at war, to the point that AI civs practically don't expand while at war. | |
| Rationale | Just being at war doesn't imply that the AI needs to build up units or switch to wartime civics. It could be that the war enemy can't even reach the AI civ, or has just one city left, is hopelessly backwards etc. In particular, don't want human players to declare meaningless wars in order to hamper the economical development of an AI civ. | | |
| See also | 001j replaces ALWAYS_PEACE checks in Al code with AI_isWarPossible calls. | | |
| with a war. (0 | es no tribute demands when busy Only relevant when UWAI disabled; such demands are possible.) | The AI checks if its own military power is greater than the target's defensive power before demanding tribute. The target's defensive power accounts for ongoing wars with third parties, but only in a crude, unreliable manner. | |

| 106 | Announcements and replays | |
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| See also | but I don't want to fix this because I 127 records start and end of AI Auto 127b stores jump-to info about most in the Event log to jump to the captic 120f announces and records spy mi 210: Civ4lerts | announcements (e.g. click a DoW announcement al of the civ that declared war). ssions that cause a revolution. |
| The st | 071 shows a message when first meeting a rival. | |
| Tbd. | Would be nice to show and record messages about captured and razed wonders. I think Civ 3 had those. I've already written the code and translations (not on GitHub), but it turns out that CvPlayer::acquireCity isn't the proper place for my code because the raze-city popup isn't resolved until later. This really complicates things. | |
| AdvCiv | 1 | BtS |
| | stated if the city isn't revealed, e.g. | All GP births are reported; "in a faraway land" if the city is unrevealed. |
| Show only the GP name in yellow. | | Entire message in yellow. Makes it harder to pick out the yellow BUG gold-trade alerts. |
| Rationale | Gotta kill some messages. This one is implausible (how do you learn about GPs on an undiscovered continent?), and doesn't have great strategic value. | |

| Finished wonders are always reported (no change); the city is stated if revealed. | | Message says "faraway" when the city isn't revealed. If the owner is known, it is listed on the Statistics Screen. The message never states the city, but highlights it on the map. |
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| No change to the way religions and corps are reported. | | When a religion or corp. is founded, if the holy/ HQ city is unrevealed but the city owner known, report only "faraway". |
| longer recor Great Scient | f the city where a GP is born is no ded in replays. Record it as "The tist Antony van Leeuwenhoek has In the Russian Empire." (important info and the end) | "Antony van Leeuwenhoek (Great Scientist) has been born in St. Petersburg (Catherine)!" |
| Rationale | misleading in this case. Not reporting | ation. Reporting "faraway" (as in BtS) is g them at all would also be bad. Should either The crucial info is how many GPs a rival civ Ps specifically. |
| | Wonders: just to be consistent. | |
| | GP in replay: In order to shorten the | message a little. The city is irrelevant. |
| Tbd. | Perhaps remove the GP name from in the Russian Empire". | replays, i.e. just "A Great Scientist has been born |
| AdvCiv | | BUG/ Civ4lerts |
| No more BU to trade a re | G alerts about civs no longer willing source. | The alert about resource trades triggers whenever the set of resources offered by a rival changes from one turn to the next. |
| See also | 210e makes the alert trigger also wh | en the AI becomes willing to import a resource. |
| Rationale | | Typically, the willing-to-trade part is more des for the resource or decides not to. In the latter know that it's no longer available. |
| Tbd. | become unavailable less frequently. trades and/ or changes in AI attitude | to the tech trade alert, though techs seem to Unavailable techs and resources hint at inter-Al . The proper solution is to implement a new alert nter-Al trades. (Update: The latter has been ed out to be too noisy.) |
| | Will probably still need the "no longe started building a wonder. | er willing" alert because the AI could also have |
| Civics chang from the rep | ges except to Free Religion excluded lay log. | |
| INICANIEN NV NEIANIN | | Except for Liberalism, technological progress is only recorded indirectly through civics changes |
| Replays record the first discovery of each tech. and constructed wonders. | | |
| _ | | Cities founded in green, religion and civics changes and random events in white. |
| _ | nukes recorded. And record when a Legendary culture. | Only announcements; not mentioned in replays. |
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| Rationale | Civics changes are not very important and occur very frequently; make replays difficult to follow. (Religion changes tend to be rarer and more consequential.) | |
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| | Replays should give some indication of technological progress. Era transitions were my first idea, then I thought first-to-discover would be even better. There's some redundancy when techs cause religions to be founded, but I guess that can't be avoided. | |
| | Colors: Green should be the color of research. For cities founded, I've tried magenta (the color used by the disabled city-founded Civ4lert) and <code>color_culture_rate</code> , but they're too hard to read against the brown background of the Replay screen. I've also tried white (now that civics changes and random events are no longer reported), but found player colors easier to follow. (Although replay messages are otherwise not color-coded based on the affected civ; so it's inconsistent.) | |
| Config | SHOW_FIRST_TO_DISCOVER_IN_REPLAY, SHOW_ENTERED_ERA_IN_REPLAY and USE_PLAYER_TEXT_COLOR_IN_REPLAYS in GlobalDefines_advc. | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps recording every tech is too much and era transitions too little. Could do era transitions plus Liberalism plus first discovery of techs granting a free GP. | |
| | Are nuclear meltdowns announced or recorded? | |
| 106b | Message limit | |
| This change | only applies when playing with the "Minimize Pop-Ups" (MPU) option. | |
| Rationale | It's awkward when the Event Log opens along with a popup because then the Event Log can't be closed until the popup is dealt with. This happens all the time when playing without MPU. Also, I suppose players who don't use MPU are fast players that don't pay a lot of attention to each individual message. | |
| Config | Override: MESSAGE_LIMIT_WITHOUT_MPU in GlobalDefines_advc.xml | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |

If more than 3 messages are waiting at the beginning of a turn, don't display them on the main interface; open the Event Log instead. Exception: Messages about most major events are always displayed on the main interface.

The following major events are *not* shown on the main interface when the Event Log is opened:

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- · Golden Age begun
- · city founded
- · city liberated
- · foreign city flipped
- · city captured/ razed
- · war declared on or by a vassal
- · peace with a vassal
- · wonder built

Also not shown, and now only a minor events: when a religion or corp spreads in a city, birth of a GP, civics changes, tech discovered.

The signing of a Permanent Alliance is now a major event.

No sound is played when war is declared by or on a non-human vassal, nor when war with a non-human vassal ends.

Also open the Event Log when there are 1 or 2 messages along with a diplo popup (unless that popup is just an Al civ making first contact with the human civ).

In Hotseat, always open the Event Log when there is a new message.

No limit on the number of messages. The Event Log is only ever shown when the player opens it.

Major events are kept in the Event Log indefinitely, whereas minor events are cleared after 20 turns and info messages after 2 turns. The following events are major:

War started/ ended, alliance formed, defensive pact signed, capitulation/ vassal agreement signed/ broken, tech discovered, first to discover Liberalism, circumnavigation, wonder/ team project built, city founded, civics or state religion changed, revolution started/ ended, Legendary culture reached, religion or corp founded, city religion/ corp spread or removed, city liberated/ flipped, game won, GW sustainability reached (K-Mod), vote source established (UN, AP), city captured/ razed, Golden Age begun/ ended, civ conquered, GP born/ GG killed, empire split, spaceship launched/ failed, nuke.

The multiple (pairwise) DoW at the start of a war involving vassals result in a single loud war-horns sound.

The Event Log button becomes inaccessible when a diplo popup opens (hotkey also blocked).

On-screen messages are cleared in between turns, including those that haven't been displayed yet. This means that a player who follows another human in the turn order misses most messages.

Rationale

The main interface really isn't suitable for displaying frequent messages. It's obtrusive; the display delays add up; messages can disappear too fast. My limit guarantees that after waiting for 3 messages, no further messages can arrive.

When a diplo popup opens, any messages on the main interface become difficult to read, so it's important to provide access to the Event Log. The player should be able to learn what happened during the AI turns before making any decisions.

Major events on the main interface: These can easily get buried and missed in the Event Log because they occur already during opponent's turns. Especially when playing without sound. The ones that I've excluded are either not that important or there is some additional mechanism that alerts the player (e.g. tech splash screen when a tech is discovered). Religions are spread all the time; that's not a major event at all.

Config

Option "Open Event Log" on the "General" tab of the BUG menu

Tbd.

Could repair message delivery in Hotseat; opening the Event Log is only a workaround solution. Would have to store messages within the DLL when they are triggered, and call CvInterface::addMessage only at the start of the recipient's turn. Can also rewrite that function in the DLL if necessary; probably just wraps data into a CvTalkingHeadMessage object and calls showMessage.

See also

The "We the People" developers are considering improvements to the message delivery system: GitHub issue. Doesn't sound like they'll add something that AdyCiv could adopt. Sorting messages by importance can mix up causes and effects.

I got the following idea (and uploaded a mockup here): When there are more than three new messages at the start of a turn, don't to select any unit and don't display any popup; instead show all new messages in the unit command area and put all minimized popups in the info pane, along with a button to start unit cycling, instruction abels if needed, and any further buttons that could be helpful at the start of a turn (e.g. buttons for cycling through unhappy and unhealthy cities). Remove all those widgets when a unit is selected (but show them again when no unit is selected). Could also have little buttons next to each message for dismissing only that message, and tiny versions of the button graphic that comes with some of the messages (to communicate that the message can be clicked). Not sure if all this is doable in the SDK. Main problem: Diplo popups. I don't think it will be possible to give the focus to the command area or any panel therein when the Diplo screen is up, meaning that the plaver will be unable to scroll through the new messages before dealing with the Diplo screen, and there's only enough space for four messages at once. That's an advantage of the current solution: The Event Log can take the focus.

All messages are cleared from the main interface Once displayed, messages only disappear when at end of turn.

they've been on display for the proper amount of time (depends on message type).

Any messages still queued for display are flushed before that (i.e. cleared without having been on display).

When a human player's turn ends, all messages still waiting to be shown to that player are displayed at once (delay skipped).

Rationale

When turns are ended in quick succession, in BtS, messages from different turns get displayed together, which can be confusing. Dropping messages without ever displaying them isn't much of a problem anymore because the Event Log tends to open periodically and the missed messages are in there.

At the end of each human turn, a special message with text "Older messages:" is put into date. All messages with the current turn's date the Event Log. On the next turn, the player can tell from this message which messages are new. turn's date may or may not be new. E.g. tech The special message never appears on the main discovered is sent at end of turn and appears at interface and it expires after 1 turn, meaning that the start of the next turn. only one such message is ever in the Event Log.

Each message in the Event Log is preceded by a are certainly new, but those with the previous

Rationale

By the midgame, there are more than three messages on most turns, so scanning the log for new messages is something the player does all the time, and it's vexing when it's not clear which messages are new. Also easy for a message to slip by unnoticed.

I've tried some things (backspace characters, setting the message turn to -1, same text color as the Event Log background) to get rid of the date in front of the special message, but it appears to be impossible from within the SDK.

106c

No more alerts upon loading savegame

AdvCiv

BUG

| The BUGEventManager fires BeginActivePlayerTurn only right after the previous turn ends, not when loading a savegame. | | BeginActivePlayerTurn fires after the end of the previous turn, and when loading a savegame. |
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| displayed) when loading a savegame. | | Alerts are checked after loading. Since Civ4lerts doesn't store data in savegames, the alerts assume a blank slate, and display a bunch of messages, e.g. for all technologies that anyone is willing to trade. |
| Alerts have t events: 10 s | the same display duration as normal econds. | Alerts are displayed for 20 seconds. |
| Rationale | Arguably a bug. BeginActivePlaye that's what happens whenever a saw | rTurn shouldn't fire multiple times per turn, but regame is loaded. |
| | Listing all trades upon loading can't presented better by the Foreign Adv | be considered a feature either. That info is isor. |
| See also | 127: Other changes to Al Auto Play | |
| 106d | Civ4lerts and Scoreboard settings cl | hanged |
| See also | 004v also makes changes to the sco dlph.30 adds an option for civ and le | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Enabled some alerts by default, namely Worst Enemy and all those from the second batch ("MoreCiv4lerts") except domination and map trade. K-Mod disables all alerts by default (whereas standalone BUG enables them all). | | standalone BUG enables them all). |
| Enabled the "willing to talk" alert by default, and disabled "peace treaty" by default. | | It's the other way around. |
| Refusal to ta the start of a | alk not reported when it happens at a war. | |
| Rationale | The ones I've enabled are essential for intermediate players, whereas domination and the first batch of alerts (city management and trade gold) are only essential for perfectionists. | |
| | AI willingness to sign a peace treaty implies willingness to talk. Additionally, the "willing to talk" alert covers ending embargoes; very helpful to learn about those. | |
| Changed the Advanced Leaderboard default layout so that open borders (B), espionage advantage (E), defensive pacts (D), trade network (N) and whether they have any vassals (V) aren't displayed. | | |
| Default line height lowered from 22 to 20. | | |
| Rationale | Frees up space on the main interface, and I find it difficult to imagine that players can't remember whom they have these relations with. The vassal indicator is redundant when "Group Vassals" is checked (as is the case by the K-Mod default). | |
| Config | The in-game BUG menu contains a formatting string. See above for the letters I've removed (B, E, D, N, V). | |
| See also | See <u>120h</u> about the espionage icon. <u>085</u> shows B, D and N by default if "Expand on Hover" is enabled on the BUG menu (disabled by default). | |

| Reduced th | Reduced the vertical space between Minimap buttons and Advanced Scoreboard. | | |
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| Rationale | Wasted space. In K-Mod, with its smaller fonts but greater line height and the vertical space, the whole scoreboard doesn't even fit on my screen when playing with 18 civs. | | |
| Tbd. | When the BUG Advanced Scoreboard is disabled (default: enabled), then the s now larger than before. I can't figure out where to change the text position in the case. | | |
| | The icons on the scoreboard are positioned a bit too high. The issue could be in BUG's Scoreboard.py or in CvMainInterface.py though I can't spot any obvious problem. If the tabular layout is disabled, the issue goes away. | | |
| | the scoreboard – either just for that le | ns were shown when mousing over a leader on eader or for all of them. The format string should ard.py) a preceding underscore for info that is ring. | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod/Civ4lerts | |
| event is abo | | Trigger also when a city is about to become happy or healthy or is about to grow. | |
| shrink. | | The non-"pending" city alerts trigger when a city becomes healthy, unhealthy, happy or unhappy or when a city shrinks or grows. | |
| Rationale | When something bad is about to happen in a city, the player may want to do something to prevent it, and when something bad has happened, the player may wan to do something to repair it. I think that's the purpose of these alerts. Presumably, the triggers for positive pending events were only added for consistency – most (all?) alerts trigger on some condition and the negation of that condition (e.g. willing to trade/ no longer willing to trade). However, reducing the noise from alerts is more important than consistency. I'm not removing any non-"pending" triggers because players may want to check the job assignment when a new citizen is born or when an angry citizen goes back to work. I don't think this reasoning can apply to has-become-healthy, but in this case, I don't want to break the pattern. | | |
| See also | God knows what the "Borders Pendi remove that one when I need the spa | ng" alert was supposed to be good for. Will ace for <u>210</u> . | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod | |
| • • | ppiness Pending" (i.e. about to become appy) enabled by default. All Civ4lerts are disabled by default in the last of the las | | |
| Rationale | "About to shrink" is often helpful to know too but annoying in recently conquered cities. | | |
| Tbd. | One reason why it pays to be alerted about cities that are about to shrink is that the AI (and thus the governor) doesn't take into account that cities can lose only 1 population per turn. Once it's decided that a city will shrink, the correct play is normally to deprioritize food for one turn. This is tedious, so the governor should do it automatically or there should be some additional penalty for a food deficit when the food store is empty. | | |
| AdvCiv | | BUG | |
| | /ith the exception of the revolt alert, the city lerts can't trigger for cities under occupation. | | |

| Rationale | Potentially confusing, and the new owner is probably going to take a look at the city once occupation ends, so there's no need for tracking its status in betweentimes. | | |
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| 106e | Report all religion and corp changes | | |
| revealed cit the religion religion, or i city. Once tl | ty. Announce religion spread only if differs from the city owner's state if the player owns the city or the holy he player is in the Industrial era, eligion spread only if the player owns | Message only shown to city owner and to players that have the religion as their state religion or own the holy city (in the case of religion spread) or to players that own the HQ (corp spread). | |
| | wner, the city becomes revealed to | HQ owner may receive messages about unrevealed cities. | |
| HQ, and do corporation message w | Don't announce the establishment of a corporate HQ, and don't announce that the HQ spreads the corporation to the HQ city. I.e. show only one message when an HQ is founded, namely (e.g.) Alexander has completed Mining Inc. in Athens". | | |
| Rationale | Update (v0.91): The foreign religion spread messages get too annoying in the mid-/endgame; therefore disabled post-Renaissance. Perhaps there should be a "Show foreign religion spread" Civ4lert, but that would have to be enabled by default, and then players would have to manually disable it in the midgame – if they'd even realize that this is possible. | | |
| | Update (v0.92): It's actually also too a announcing if the religion is already the | annoying before Renaissance. No longer ne city owner's state religion. | |
| Tbd. | Does a holy city generate gold from unrevealed cities? | | |
| Config | The era threshold for foreign religion spread messages can be changed through STOP_RELIGION_SPREAD_ANNOUNCE_ERA in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. The v0.92 update can be disabled by toggling ANNOUNCE_STATE_RELIGION_SPREAD in | | |
| 1005 | GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | DD) | |
| 106f | Announce canceled Defensive Pact (I | <u> </u> | |
| AdvCiv | | 3tS | |
| | the replay log. | OP are announced and recorded when signed; only the parties involved are notified of cancelation. | |
| 106g | No random events in replays | | |
| Random ev | Random events aren't recorded in replays. All random events are recorded in replays. | | |
| when a dec | The replay says "in response to a random event" when a declaration of war or a peace treaty was riggered by a random event. | | |
| Rationale | Most of the random events are unimportant, and many are quite wordy, making replays difficult to follow. The war and peace events are exceptions. | | |
| Tbd. | There are some other important event | There are some other important events, e.g. fulfilled quests. | |
| See also | 104z improves the AI response to war and peace events a little. | | |
| 106h | Replay lists game settings | | |
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| | m the Settings tab (Victory screen) is The relevant info is stored in the replay file but not displayed anywhere. The Hall of Fame screen only shows difficulty, world size, starting era and game speed. | |
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| Rationale | For old replays and replays shared with other players. | |
| Config | SETTINGS_IN_REPLAYS in GlobalDefines_advc.xml | |
| Tbd. | Would be nice to indicate which color is the player color, but I don't think replays support the <color> tag, and I don't want to show an entire entry in the player color.</color> | |
| 106i | Replay file format | |
| that AdvCiv | The result of gDLL->getModName () is stored in replays can be viewed without ven installing) the AdvCiv mod. The result of gDLL->getModName () is stored in replay files. When no mod is loaded, that call returns an empty string. All mods share a single | |
| file that BtS CVDLLUtili in the DLL), without a mo | mod id number in a part of the replay gnores and through a hack (as tylFaceBase::loadReplays is not AdvCiv is able to load replay files and name and to distinguish AdvCiv unmodded replays. Replays folder. The Hall of Fame screen loads all replays from that folder, compares the mod name stored in each replay file with the current result of gDLL->getModName() and displays only those that match. | |
| Config | Can be disabled through GlobalDefines_advc.xml. Automatically disabled if a mod-mod adds map sizes, victory conditions, handicap or game speed settings. May also be automatically disabled if a mod-mod adds colors that BtS can't display; see comments in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | |
| Rationale | Mainly makes it easier to share AdvCiv replays with other players. Can even simply double-click them. Whether it's generally desirable to show replays from different mods on the same HoF screen is debatable. I think I'd prefer it, provided that replays from different mods are easy to distinguish, but I'd rather not inflict this on others. However, if the option was disabled by default, players would probably only find out about it when it's too late, i.e. when they have a replay that they'd like to share and that doesn't have the right format. (If a savegame from just before victory is kept, one can recreate the replay after enabling the option, but that's a long shot.) Player who don't like AdvCiv replays showing up in the BtS HoF can remove the offending replay files manually; the file names start with "[AdvCiv]" (see below). | |
| See also | 003k is a prerequisite as, otherwise, no data can be added to the CvReplayInfo class. | |
| | 106 (see above) uses player text colors in city-founded replay messages. This doesn't make the compatibility issues worse because player colors are used in any case for the minimap and score graph. | |
| | 106h (see above) ensures that AdvCiv replays are identifiable as such by showing the mod name in the first replay message. | |
| AdvCiv is able to load unmodded replay files and those from other mods. | | |
| Config | Disabled by default; can be enabled through GlobalDefines_advc.xml. Not all replays can be loaded; see the comments there. | |
| Rationale | Certainly nice to have the ability to show replays from any mod without having to install it, but this doesn't have to be enabled all the time (see the previous "Rationales" box). | |
| Tbd. | If loading of non-AdvCiv replays is enabled, the HoF screen should show mod names somewhere and offer a filter-by-mod menu. The HoF screen is in the SDK, so this is doable – but a bit of work. | |

| | ome sanity checks to the function ne serialized replay data. | BtS relies entirely on a try-catch block to filter out files that don't have the proper format. | |
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| When a game is started, loaded or exited, any replay data loaded by the Hall of Fame screen is cleared. | | After entering the Hall of Fame screen (from the main menu or at the end of a game), all replay data is kept in memory until the program is exited. | |
| Rationale | Memory is generally a non-issue for AdvCiv, but there could be a lot of replays (especially if those from other mods are loaded too), and each could contain thousands of messages and minimap color changes. | | |
| Replay file names start with "[AdvCiv]". | | The replay name is composed of the player name, year of the final turn and, apparently, a two-digit random number to avoid name collisions with earlier replays. BtS associates the .CivBeyondSwordReplay file ending with Civ4BeyondSword.exe, but this does not cause the proper mod to be loaded. | |
| _ | what related: The mod name is shownings tab (Victory screen). | The mod name is shown on the main menu screen; from within a game, it's not visible. | |
| Config | TXT_KEY_REPLAY_PREFIX_ADVC in Civ4GameText_advc.xml | | |
| Tbd. | Known issues with the Hall of Fame | screen: | |
| | buttons): Microsoft C++ exception:no_rtti_object in KernelBase.dll; msvcr71.dll on the call stack. I get this crash also with unmodified BtS. It seems to occur before any of the handleInput functions in the SDK are called, so, if it can be fixed, it would have to be through the code that sets up the table with the replay buttons in CvHallOfFameScreen.py. | | |
| | Another Vanilla/BtS bug: Any replays listed so far down the table that scrolling is necessary can't be started. CvHallofFameScreen.py doesn't receive any input when the replay button is clicked. It looks like the addTableControlGFC function (in the EXE) can't handle buttons outside the initially visible area of a table. The bug could then also affect the Domestic Advisor screen. There should be some way to work around this | | |
| | Temporary solution: Hover text added to the replay button that warns about the bug for entries beyond the 23 rd . On higher resolutions (I have a height of only 1024 pixe 23 may not be the correct value, i.e. the warning can be a false positive. | | |
| 106j | A deal canceled during an AI turn is only immediately announced if it's an open borders agreement, defensive pact or peace treaty; canceled gold and resource deals aren't announced until the start of the next human turn. Exception: If a resource deal is canceled because the trade connection was lost, the announcement is shown immediately. | | |
| Rationale | Only important events should get an immediate announcement. Canceled resource deals are (typically) followed by either a diplo popup or a declaration of war – unless the trade network was severed. | | |
| Pillaged imp | provements are immediately announc | ed. | |
| Rationale | Not really important, but foreign moves are shown immediately (if the respective player option is enabled) and combat results are announced immediately, so it's more consistent this way. | | |

| 106k | City name changes in replays | |
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| name of any | city has changed since the start of o, the name change is recorded in | City name changes are not recorded in replays. If a city is renamed, future replay messages refer to the city by its new name, but older messages remain unchanged. |
| | l'm recording the change at end of turn because a player who renames a city might change his/her mind once he/she sees the new name on the main interface; don't want to spam the replay log with temporary changes. | |

| 106l | Messages upon saving the game | |
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| Config | GlobalDefines_advc.xml | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| No messag | e when autosaving | Autosaving message at end of human turn |
| Rationale | Players who rely on autosave tend to set narrow intervals via CivilizationIV.ini, which makes the frequent messages disruptive. Autosave is known to be reliable; no need to report success. | |
| Tbd. | Should add an option on the BUG menu when I merge the other autosave options from BULL. | |
| "Saving" messages about quicksaves and regular saves are displayed for 4 seconds. For 10 seconds, like most of the on-screen messages. | | |
| Rationale | Too long for such a short message that the player knows is about to appear. The message arguably also has the purpose of warning the player against terminating the process while the savegame is being written, but that can't take more than a couple of seconds. | |

| 107 | Fewer AI defenders | |
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| See also | 023 can add some defenders when there is a revolt chance. 017 builds fewer military units overall when there are already a lot. 022 Changes the computation of Al paranoia, which also affects garrison sizes. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When at war and on the defensive, floating defenders are now assigned like under the Alert1 strategy. | | Floating defenders in defensive wars are assigned as under Alert2. |
| The AI is more willing to mount a counter- offensive (offensive Area AI), even when a war is no longer recent, and war success has been poor. (War success is still considered though.) | | Once an enemy DoW is no longer considered recent, the AI relies on its war success rating for selecting its stance (offensive or defensive Area AI). |
| · | ly (LimitedWarPowerRatio) slightly he choice between defensive and ea Al. | |

| Rationale | Need to counterattack more. Shouldn't rely much on war success even in long-ish wars; successes from an initial surprise attack can give a false impression (see also 130r under <i>Tbd.</i>). Unless the power ratio is highly unfavorable, just sitting there isn't the most effective tactic, and it's also boring to play against. | |
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| | | character for some leaders, and very much in er personality factor. Use LimitedWarPowerRatio ave limited objectives. |
| See also | 104p changes the stack size require | d for launching an attack |
| | e impact of the era number on the pating defenders. | The baseline was something like 6 floating defenders per city by the Industrial era – in addition to the stationary defenders. |
| Rationale | | he BtS formula for floating defenders. Often, a defenders in the late game and thus unavailable ugh the "Crush" strategy). |
| | ring a land war, the number of nders is increased only slightly. | No distinction between a land war in preparation and an ongoing land war. |
| Rationale | Once war is imminent (preparations train some extra defenders before a | complete), there is usually still enough time to counterattack is (maybe) launched. |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI |
| | enders when their number exceeds a | Turtling AI civs keep building defenders until they can make peace or the power ratio shifts in their favor. |
| Rationale | A turtling civ can't recover economic | ally from building Archers for 50 turns. |
| AdvCiv | 1 | BtS |
| AI doesn't try starts looking | y to guard non-city tiles when a war g hopeless. | Nothing to prevent guarding of resources or Forts. Not sure if an urgent need for defenders elsewhere can cause the AI to stop guarding non-city tiles. |
| Rationale | | actually be crucial to keep them, but I don't think gets beaten badly. It's normally more useful to |
| Reduced implement in the contract of the contr | pact of Space victory stage 3 on city | Extra defenders in capital and all cities building spaceship parts. |
| Rationale | Space victory is a lengthy process, a Doesn't usually mean that the AI just | and stage 3 begins with the completion of Apollo. needs to survive in order to win. |
| between two | computes the (spatial) closeness civs, cities on different continents ed to be less close to each other. | Cities on different continents are considered to be closer to each other than those on the same continent. |
| | | Closeness mostly affects the distribution of Al defenders, the Alert strategy, raze decisions and the price of sponsored war. |
| Rationale | | n (or whoever wrote the PlayerCloseness code). wider search range for cities on other continents, |

| | In some situations, the impact of a land connection is further increased: 022: Alert strategy 1040: WHEOOHRN when already fighting a war (currently disabled) | | |
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| | The AI counts units that temporarily guard a city as defenders in certain situations. Only units with the appropriate (permanent) Unit AI type are counted. | | |
| Rationale | I'm not sure how often this comes up, but I think the change can't hurt. | | |
| Credits | Merged from "RoM: A New Dawn" (Afforess). SourceForge revision: <u>link</u> | | |

| Credits | Merged Holli Rolli. A New Dawli (A | Andress). Sourcer drye revision. <u>mrk</u> |
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| 108 | Starting plot normalization and assignment | |
| See also | 027 is concerned with the selection of starting plots. 129 makes starts with multiple Gold or Gem resources or numerous flood plains much less likely. dlph.35 deals with starting plot assignment as well. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| (placeExtra game tries to least 70% as | In placing extra bonus resources InceExtras) in a singleplayer game, the lowest found value at least 80 of the best. In the tries to make the lowest found value at least 80 of the best. In the tries to make the lowest found value at least 80 of the best. In the tries to make the lowest found value at least 80 of the best. In the tries to make the lowest found value at least 80 of the best. | |
| bad features around starti multiplayer g | Transforms most but not all bad terrain (Tundra), and features (Jungle) and mountain peaks around starting plots. Ice is always cleared. In multiplayer games, all peaks are cleared, too, and almost all bad terrain and features. | |
| | | Desert Gold gets upgraded to Plains Gold, and Jungle is cleared from Grassland Gems. |
| A freshwater source is still guaranteed (no change). | | |
| Rationale | The player handicap makes the human starting plot match the desired difficulty; e.g. Settler puts the human civ into one of the best available starting plots, and Deity in one of the worst. Therefore, equal starting conditions aren't crucial in singleplayer. More unequal starts probably make games on Prince upward more challenging, which I don't mind. Low-difficulty games hopefully get a bit more dynamic in terms of warfare due to some AI civs having (much) worse starts than others. | |
| | Removing all bad plots makes the starting region look unnatural. A few bad plots give a start more character and provide more variety. | |
| | Reduced normalization also leads to weaker starting plots overall, which should reduce the importance of capitals a bit. Very powerful capitals reward early warfare too much, and make wars generally too much about taking the capital. | |
| Config | Several parameters in GlobalDefines_advc.xml; can restore BtS normalization too. Selecting "Balanced" in the Custom Game screen only affects the map generation before normalization; it does not enable BtS normalization. I wish it did, but once the map has been generated, there is no way to tell if the Balanced option was set. | |

| | | No plots are revealed other than those that the starting units can see. | |
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| Rationale | blindly and hope for the best (or rege cross tiles are revealed upfront, and | e starting Settler. Don't want players to settle en) when a starting plot looks poor. When all city- hidden resources are unlikely (see below), there he starting plot for what it is or go find a better | |
| Config | START_SIGHT_RANGE in GlobalDefi | nes_advc | |
| are disrega Hidden reso around the (Less likely | yer games, initially hidden resources rded when choosing starting plots. ources are no more likely to occur starting plot than anywhere else., in a way, because Horse, Copper n't be on riverside.) | As far as I can tell, yields from all hidden resources are fully factored into the found value when choosing starting plots. Only their strategic value is discounted. A poor starting plot can hint at a hidden resource in the surrounding city cross. | |
| Rationale | A poor starting plot hinting at hidden | resources breaks immersion. | |
| | | ven take into account in which era a resource is I be valued about as highly as Copper. This ner. | |
| The flip side is that AdvCiv can theoretically produce very strong starting plobecause addExtras is unaware of hidden resources. That's something to k on. | | , | |
| spot on turr any). Most city on turn | n 0 after moving its exploration units (it of the time, the AI still founds its first 0 (possibly after moving the Settler and it practically always has a city at | The AI always founds its first city on turn 0 fwithout moving the Settler. | |
| function to its capital. | r, a low-ish value is assumed for | There is special code in AI_foundValue for selecting starting locations, but that's not really A code. E.g. it evaluates also tiles beyond the city radius. Unexplored tiles are normally treated as having 0 tolking. | |
| _ | his change does not apply to scenarios; AI lways settles in place as in BtS. | | |
| Rationale | The starting plot finder doesn't ensure that the starting plot is locally optimal, and moving the Settler is sometimes, perhaps in one out of 10 or 20 games, very advantageous. (More often, moving the Settler is only slightly better than settling in place.) | | |
| Credits | Merged from the Better BUG AI mod, mostly by copying the code by Fuyu and Afforess. I've made a few adaptations and added some special clauses to the found value function because neither the tile evaluation for starting tiles nor the normal evaluation was quite right for this AI decision. | | |

Exploration units that civs receive at game start are placed on a different tile than the starting Settlers, Workers and defensive units. If more than one exploration unit is received (AI on Immortal and Deity), each one is placed separately.

Since the starting Warrior that humans receive counts as an exploration unit, nothing changes for human civs under typical game settings. If a human civ receives free defensive units or Workers (low difficulty settings or later-era start). then there is a slight change: Those units are placed on separate tiles in BtS; now they're placed together with the Settler(s).

All units that an Al civ receives at game start are placed in the same tile. For humans, only the Settlers are placed in the same tile; every non-Settler unit is placed alone on a separate tile. The UnitAI type (City Defense, Explore, Worker) of the non-Settlers doesn't matter.

Rationale

My guess is that the separate starting tiles for human units were implemented in order to nudge beginning players away from immediately fortifying the starting Warrior in the first city. The separate placement also reveals a few more tiles and thus makes it easier to move the starting Settler; I like that (though it may not have been the original goal) and, now that the Al knows how to move its starting Settler. I want the additional visibility also for the AI.

And of course it's always nice to make the rules for human and AI civs more alike.

Resources added during normalization can't result in more than 3 seafood; more than 2 unlikely.

More than 3 coastal food ruled out, and more than 3 ocean food ruled out, but both taken together practically unlimited (up to 6).

Rationale

Cities with more than 2 seafood grow unrealistically fast; doesn't play well either. This happens too often.

Tbd.

When I get around to XML balance changes, I intend to reduce the food yield of Pig Pasture and Fishing Boats by one. Should make starts with overabundant food less common.

108b Assignment of starting plots

AdvCiv

BtS

Slightly increased StartingLocPercent for most The starting locations selected by the map script difficulty levels, meaning that human civs receive are reassigned by the DLL based on the difficulty slightly worse starting locations than in BtS.

setting. StartingLocPercent is a percentile rank for the human civ.

E.g. on Noble, humans receive the median location if the total number of civs is odd; one better than the median if the total number of civs they get an advantage over the AI civs. (In as is even.

On Noble, humans always get locations that are slightly better than the median (40% rank), i.e. much as the game can't accurately determine whether one starting location is better than another.)

Rationale Noble should only favor human or Al when there is an important reason to do so. And like giving humans rather bad starts on the higher difficulty settings; it's a more organic handicap than e.g. free tech (see also chapter SPaH about this).

250d slightly reduces some AI advantages from the difficulty setting. See also

Config

Through Civ4HandicapInfos.xml; though I've also changed the way these values are handled by the DLL a bit (see below).

| | y sets StartingLocPercent to 100 nen the human players receive the plots. | Human players only ever receive the second worst starting plot. |
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| | | idn't trust their starting plot heuristic and worried rts. This shouldn't be an issue with K-Mod |
| plots of a similar total value; afterwards, plots may be swapped around to bring members o same team closer together geographically. In non-team singleplayer (no change), human starting plots are assigned based on difficulty | | algorithm is used to assign each team starting plots of a similar total value; afterwards, plots may be swapped around to bring members of the same team closer together geographically. In non-team singleplayer (no change), human starting plots are assigned based on difficulty. In non-team multiplayer, humans receive the best |
| Rationale | I see no reason not to use Starting | LocPercent in multiplayer. |
| See also | 135c: other multiplayer changes | |
| Tbd. | Difficulty should also matter in team | games. |
| assigning starting plots, the DLL reassigns those team membership and difficulty) and ignore plots through swaps based on team membership plots selected by the map script. | | The DLL will select new starting plots (based team membership and difficulty) and ignore the plots selected by the map script. |
| and difficulty | (see above). | I think the script could implement FindStartingPlot and leave AssignStartingPlots entirely to the DLL. The PerfectMongoose (PM) script doesn't do this though. |
| Rationale | This seemed like the easiest way to | let PM use the standard reassignment algorithm. |
| See also | <u>Chapter</u> about PM | |

| 109 | Al improvements for isolated starts | |
|---|---|---|
| AdvCiv | 1 | K-Mod |
| Al civs that haven't met any rival by the second era focus more on Science, and less on the flavor values set in Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml until they meet a rival. | | Optics is prioritized when isolated but not Science in general. |
| Isolated AI civs are reluctant to pursue a culture victory. Adopt the "Economy Focus" strategy when alone, or when no threatening civ is known. | | Al civs that haven't met anyone adopt Economy Focus; I don't think that strategy is reliably adopted when there are Friendly or faraway neighbors. Economy Focus (a BBAI-introduced strategy) reduces the production of military units. |
| Rationale | All naval technologies have a Science flavor, and faster research will reach Optics faster. | |
| See also | 130n delays penalties from different religion. 130p decouples enemy trade penalties from the has-met counter. Both should make it easier to find partners abroad. | |

| 110 | Changes to AI military build-up | | |
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| See also | 104s increases military build-up when preparing for a "total" war. | | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod | |
| research in t target isn't n | ne target commerce surplus for the early eras of the game. (If the net, the AI is reluctant to build more ing Settlers.) | The same target for all eras. | |
| Gold reserve has a lot of g | • | Only a matter of the commerce rate and expenses. | |
| that says ho trouble. So f | oction AI_financialTroubleMargin w close the AI is to being in financial far used only in one place: To make noose gold buildings more often. | AI_isFinancialTrouble is a boolean function. | |
| Rationale | Don't want the AI to expand too rapidly in the early game and fall behind in research. | | |
| Credits | The code for the gold reserves is from the Caveman2Cosmos mod (by Koshling). <u>SVN revision</u> | | |
| | The change to the city AI is from "Rise of Mankind: A New Dawn" (by Afforess) via this SVN revision by alberts2. | | |
| Al productio trouble). | Al production weight lowered. Was 270% of the commerce weight (except when in financial trouble). | | |
| AI food weig | tht lowered, in part, to match the redu | iced AI use of Slavery (change <u>121b</u>). | |
| Rationale | Still high, but the AI is better at growing cities than at choosing sensible tech or city production. Would make sense to increase the production weight when Slavery is used less, but 270% was way too high, and resulted in post-Chemistry Workshop spam (without supporting civics). Huge outdated AI armies don't exactly make the game enjoyable either. | | |
| | In the late game, it doesn't normally make sense to grow cities further. I'm still giving food a fairly high weight because the AI should only avoid growth, not actually shrink cities (leave that to human players who know what they're doing). | | |

| 111 | Units in neutral tiles prevent pillaging of routes | |
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| AdvCiv | dvCiv BtS | |
| | unit of a different team. | No special restrictions for pillaging unowned tiles. Can, in particular, pillage routes in order to slow down another civ's units. |
| Rationale | Not an important change. Yanking out roads from under other civs' stacks is pretty bizarre, and occasionally exploitable. | |

| 112 | Al changes for voluntary vassal agreements (VVA; "peace vassalage") |
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| | The VVA code was already messy in K-Mod, and it's worse now. Should be rewritten based on a utility value that replaces the dozens of exclusive clauses. |
| See also | 037: Rule changes to prevent masters from sabotaging voluntary vassals. |

| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
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| · · · | | Al lowers its attitude threshold when it is among those civs with the least military power. |
| | ith anyone refuses to sign a VVA. | Defensive Pacts don't matter for VVA decisions. Once a VVA is signed, Defensive Pacts of the vassal get canceled. |
| and not thre threshold se | willing to sign a VVA when Cautious atened. Leaders that have their t to Cautious in XML are instead a ing to lower their threshold when | E.g. Frederick signs a VVA at Cautious. |
| Rationale | The idea that civs without prospects asap comes from Warlords though. protection of their master, and then I | robably also owing to increased military budgets. for winning the game should become vassals Perhaps they're supposed to catch up under the break free again, but it doesn't usually work this independent survival over becoming a vassal and |
| See also | 133 cancels tribute deals once vass 143 adds recently-canceled memory | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| the contrary, Domination, agreement it | when a civ gets close to its vassals only cancel the f they're getting close to a peaceful long as those vassals are at least | Al leaders refuse to sign VVAs when the would-be master gets close to a Domination victory: "You've grown too powerful for us." I think they may also cancel the agreement when the master approaches Domination. |
| Rationale | Just prolongs the inevitable. | |
| "Your land is too far away" rules out vassal agreements only until the Industrial era. If the prospective master is in the Industrial era or later, its power rating is decreased when not sharing a continent with the vassal, but a vassal agreement is possible. | | |
| Master refuses to accept voluntary vassal whose population is much smaller than the master's unless aiming for Conquest victory or liking the vassal. | | |
| Rationale | Peace vassals are fickle and may le unless they bring a considerable eco | ad to wars with third parties. Not worth the hassle onomic value. |
| territory of th tiles large. T tiles left whe | ing whether a vassal breaks free, the ne vassal is treated as at least 10 hus, a vassal that has fewer than 15 in becoming a vassal can only break ng land, not by losing land. | A capitulated vassal with, say, 12 tiles initially gets to break free after losing 6 tiles (from war or culture pressure). Voluntary vassals don't care if they lose tiles. |

| Rationale | Rationale Through change <u>143</u> (cancelation of voluntary vassal agreements), vassals with very | | |
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| | little territory left can end up changing hands a lot. | | |
| strategy refu break free if game." | se to sign vassal agreements, and they can: "We'd rather win the | Civs that are close to domination victory refuse to become vassals (such civs will normally also be way too powerful to accept, so this is pretty pointless). In K-Mod, civs refuse to accept vassals that are at stage 3 or 4 of Culture or | |
| The leader o | of AP of ON also refuses/ breaks free. | Space victory ("Surely, you must be joking"); may also cancel the agreement. Diplo victory not covered. | |
| Rationale | | le hiding behind a master who can't cancel the master. Important to let the vassal refuse (not the human. | |
| See also | 115 prevents civs with too little production capacity from pursuing a Space victory, which is important for this change: Technologically advanced civs might otherwise refuse to ever capitulate once they have the Apollo Project. 143b prevents vassals from having nukes. 014 prevents capitulated vassals from pursuing victory strategies. | | |
| is at least 80% of its master's power. | | Only attitude can cause an independent colony to break away. And since the +10 "granted us independence" bonus doesn't decay, this happens practically never. | |
| Rationale | A War of Independence should at lea | ast be a possibility. | |
| See also | See also 130r causes "granted us independence" memory to decay. | | |
| An AI civ ready to become a vassal contacts the prospective master only with a per-turn probability. The probability is based on the scoreboard rank of the master – between 1 in 20 of the master is ranked in the middle of the scoreboard, and 1 in 40 if the master is at the score board by 400% if at war with anyone. The same contact-delay is used for vassal agreements as for permanent alliances, but this only affects offers to human players. There is only a 1 in 80 chance of implementing a permanent alliance but no such probability for voluntary vassal agreements; they're checked each turn and are directly implemented. | | | |
| Rationale It's possible that the Warlords developers had meant to use the permanent allian probability also for vassal agreements and misplaced a closing curly brace. Be the it may, civs are too quick to sign vassal agreements when their power ratio takes dip, which doesn't only happen in defensive wars, but also when an AI focuses of economy (AI strategies Economy Focus or Get Better Units) or after an unsuccess aggressive war. | | ts and misplaced a closing curly brace. Be that as sal agreements when their power ratio takes a fensive wars, but also when an Al focuses on its | |
| | that makes civs more reluctant to be | agreements. Could also implement it in a way come vassals of human civs, but that's a bit more ugh for humans to obtain AI vassals because enough armies to impress the AI. | |
| | Probability based on rank should red | luce snowball effects. | |
| When a vassal is more advanced than its master, The master may gift techs to the vassal but not the vassal may decide to gift tech to the master vice versa. From time to time. This is contingent on a sufficiently high relations value (Cautious when capitulated, otherwise Pleased). | | | |

| Rationale | The master should gradually catch up with a technologically more advanced vassal. Normally this happens through tech trading, but sometimes the vassal is too far ahead. Not (historically) plausible that it takes a civ forever to absorb the tech of its vassal. From the vassal's point of view, one can argue that a voluntary vassal is – to an extent – invested in its master's success. A capitulated vassal prefers to break free, but this is always a long shot and, if relations have thawed, helping the master win is still better than a rival victory. | |
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| See also | 130v makes vassals always Friendly toward their master – this does not apply when deciding whether to gift tech. | |
| | In this demo game of mine with an earlier version of AdvCiv, Tokugawa managed to make Willem capitulate in the midgame despite being some 10 techs behind; the two remained unable to trade tech for much of the rest of the game because it took Tokugawa too long to catch up. | |
| | 130z deals with tech gifted between | en non-vassal rivals. |
| AdvCiv | dvCiv BBAI (<u>v0.83</u>) | |
| themselves as vassals to an AI massoption was disabled by default (throw K-Mod enabled the option, but K-Mod enabled the option it. At least in K-Mod enabled the option, but K-Mod enabled the option it. At least in K-Mod enabled the option it. | | This option had allowed human players to offer themselves as vassals to an AI master. The option was disabled by default (through XML). K-Mod enabled the option, but K-Mod AI changes CvTeamAI::AI_surrenderTrade seem to have broken it. At least in K-Mod 1.45, I can't bring any AI civ to accept a human vassal, and the explanations (denial text) don't make much sense. |
| Rationale | Looks like too much work to make this work. Also, it's rarely smart to accept a human vassal – it's not going to send military assistance and will work hard on breaking free. | |
| See also | Rise & Fall and Debug mode allow human players to take control of a vassal. This still works; I've only disabled the option of becoming a vassal through diplomacy. | |
| Config | Can re-enable it through BBAI_Game_Options_GlobalDefines.xml, but I don't think the AI is ever going to accept. | |

| 112b | Al changes to surrender decision | |
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| See also | 123d blocks an exploit where cities gifted to a war ally can lead to faster capitulation. | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| numerous enemy units in its territory on an | | Enemy positions matter for peace treaties, but surrender is only a matter of power and war success. |
| Also refuses to surrender If 30% or more of the civ's population are on a landmass with few enemy units. | | |
| · | | That response isn't used anymore at all. BtS used it for cities that the Al didn't want to trade. |
| Rationale | Let the enemy demonstrate that they can reach our important cities before capitulating. | |

| | | This is checked before signing peace treaties but not when considering surrender. |
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| If a war enemy is the worst enemy of an AI civ and the attitude toward that enemy is Furious, the enemy's power is treated as 10% lower than it actually is. I.e. the enemy needs slightly more power in order to achieve capitulation. | | The worst enemy's power is treated as 25% lower regardless of attitude. |
| Rationale Should perhaps disable this power adjustment entirely. It makes some sense flavorwise, but makes capitulation easier to achieve when the winning side alr has a much larger army when the war starts; otherwise, it'll take time to get the hand, and "This war spoils our relationship" will typically lead to a Furious attit From a human pov, it's annoying if the AI won't capitulate when a war has alre become tiresome. | | asier to achieve when the winning side already ar starts; otherwise, it'll take time to get the upper onship" will typically lead to a Furious attitude. |
| Tbd. | Attitude could play a bigger role whe | n there is more than one powerful war enemy. |
| When considering capitulation, the power modifier based on war success is applied to the vassal's power, meaning that war success matters not just for the vassal-master power ratio but also when comparing the vassal's power with the average power of other civs. | | |
| A civ refuses to capitulate unless its power rating is at most 76% of the global average power rating. | | The threshold is 80%. |
| The impact of war success on capitulation is reduced a bit overall. Can reduce the vassal's power by at most 45%. | | Can increase the master's power by up to 100%. |
| Rationale Perhaps the average power shouldn't matter at all for capitulation. Now matters les when the master's war success is high. | | |

| 113 | Al worker production and worker assignment to landmasses and cities | |
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| See also | 251 reduces the AI work rate bonuses from the difficulty setting. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | | Workers prioritized only when there are far too few of them; otherwise, any decent building takes precedence. |
| | The K-Mod AI tends to train 1 worker per city (BtS: fewer), which is about right for experienced human player, but the AI isn't good at scheduling its workers, so 1/city isn't enough. Also note that the AI generally isn't good at choosing city production. Can't go too wrong with a worker – except in the very early game and unless there evidently too many already. Should be about 1.5/city now. (Also a matter of traits, leader personality – especia BuildUnitProb –, coastal cities, colonies so it varies a lot.) | |
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| | Can be tweaked through WORKER_RESERVE_PERCENT in GlobalDefines_advc.xml, but that only affects the upper limit for the total number of workers that an Al civ may produce and not (or only indirectly) the number of workers assigned per city and how worker production is prioritized. | |
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| Tbd. | Should take into account currently researched tech (e.g. Calendar, Railroad). | |
| | building a road toward any guarded | should flock to a settler (if any) or even start city sites (CvUnitAI::AI_guardCitySite); will w city has been founded (except for colonies: ogether with settlers). |
| See also | <u>117</u> : AI chopping; <u>121</u> : Forts; <u>040</u> : In | nprovements on landmasses without cities |
| | code supersedes his; haven't looked | more Workers as well, but I think, by now, my own I at the details though. The <u>code</u> in question is in nore Workers" (also "Worker Counting"?). |
| having near a | of Workers that the AI aims at a city takes into account Forests and orkable tiles. | The AI only checks for unimproved tiles. Whether the missing improvements will require extra work for clearing terrain features isn't checked. |
| Made the Al | more reluctant to chop Forests near | a city that is producing a Worker. |
| Rationale | If the AI has time to chop, then it car | 't be that short on Workers. |
| only 1, the Al workers to ar | I considers assigning one of the nother city. | long as there is anything left to improve near the current city. The code for reassignment is apparently erroneous (K-Mod comment: "Is it just me, or did they get this backwards?") The K-Mod code still got it somewhat backwards I think (see my own comment in CvUnitAI::AI_workerMove) and doesn't allow reassignment when a city has 2 workers and needs only 1. |
| | BtS comment (by Blake probably) at "Workers have/needed is not intendenceded is at least 1 that means a wo | worker management quite a bit less inefficient. A pove CvCityAI::AI_getWorkersHave says: ed to be a strict target but rather an indication. if orker will be doing something useful" is a conservative estimate; more workers than that |
| pefore a settler or worker, the AI anticipates the tile that an additional citizen would work. | | Unowned tiles are disregarded and only existing |
| | | BtS has an extra clause that prevents cities below size 3 from producing any workers or settlers until the owner has at least 3 cities. K-Mod and AdvCiv have mostly removed this restriction. |
| Rationale | Especially relevant for the capital at game start. | |
| | A bugfix in the tile evaluation code (CvCityAI::AI_getPlotMagicValue) has been tagged with "advc.001". | |

| Made the AI reluctant to produce Workers in colonies that had already been fully improved at an earlier time and need more Workers only due to a new tech or a change in AI yield weights. | The number of other cities on the same landmass isn't taken into account when the Al decides whether to produce a Worker. |
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| Added code to avoid shipping out more Workers than a landmass can spare. | All idle Workers can get shipped out and are then urgently replaced because BBAI has added some high-priority clauses for landmasses with 0 available Workers. |
| Fixed a likely bug in the code for ferrying Workers in between cities: Only the Workers needed by each potential target city had been counted, not the workers already available there | The number of needed Workers decreases as improvements are built, so the error is self-correcting. However, in the late game, the AI may quickly ferry all idle Workers to some small landmass and delete most of them once they become idle again because the landmass will then have far more Workers than needed. |
| starting in the Modern era. The Al e some Workers is reasonable under late in the game and a colony (with large Jungle-covered island needs a | a test on an Archipelago map with Tropical climate inded up deleting dozens of Workers. Deleting these settings – Workers are relatively cheap this free initial population due to the start era) on a large group of Workers a.s.a.p. However, the Kand deleting Workers even once all land was |

| Changes to the computation of workers available to a city | | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| AI_updateWe | AI_updateWorkersNeededHere to | BtS comment: "How slow is this? It could be almost NUM_CITY_PLOT [i.e. 20] times faster by iterating groups" |
| | A profiler run suggests that this char 1.5%. | nge might reduce late-game turn times by 1 to |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| counted as a | that have retreated to a city tile are available to that city; Workers in ed for another landmass are not available. | Workers that have retreated to a city (which is what idle Workers normally do) are not counted. Workers in cargo are counted regardless of the transport's destination. The BtS code had worked differently, but probably also incorrectly. |
| Rationale | A bugfix really. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | of Workers available to a city is r the course of a turn. | There's an update once per turn (still true in AdvCiv); updates throughout a turn happen in CvUnitAI::AI_improveLocalPlot and AI_nextCityToImprove, which covers only a fraction of the possible Worker moves. |
| Rationale | Rationale Mainly to avoid transporting or deleting too many Workers in one turn. | |

| 114 | Changes to AI attack courage | |
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| 114a | Breaking sea blockades | |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI |
| ships. Will at | tack at near-0 odds if the defenders | AI keeps building e.g. Triremes but never dares to attack even a single Privateer. (Not sure if it would attack with Caravels.) |
| | Known issue in BBAI, not fixed by K code I posted there is now outdated | -Mod. I've also posted about this on <u>CFC</u> , but the doesn't fully solve the problem. |
| | | ouilding primitive ships, and wait for better tech. code for breaking blockades – why should the be inadequate for this? |
| 114b | Attacks on valuable units at poor od | ds |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod/ Lead From Behind |
| the cost of th | e involved units is given less weight ds are one-sided. | Al leaders and the Barbarians calculate with optimistically increased attack odds. Based on these inflated odds, K-Mod does a kind of expected value computation: attacking a Tank with a Warrior at 5% odds is wise because the Tank is much more expensive than the Warrior. (Of course, the true odds are much lower.) |
| | Warrior against Tank doesn't matter much, but K-Mod Barbarians are also too happy to attack advanced units in fortified positions. | |
| | koshling has addressed this by making the attack odds increase multiplicative; see this revision of "RoM: A New Dawn". | |
| 114c | Currently unused | |
| 114d | Decreased random portion of attack | courage |
| courage is be between 0 ar | summand added to AI attack etween 0 and 12 for AI civs and nd 27 for Barbarians. Increased the odds change of Barbarians by 2. | Al units have a bias toward attacking based on leader personality. The bias is composed of a deterministic base value between 0 (e.g. Asoka, Barbarians) and 6 (Ragnar and Napoleon) and a portion chosen at random once per turn between 0 and 32 for the Barbarians and between 0 and 16 for all civ leaders. |
| | If the AI attacks completely rationally, defensive tactics won't really work anymore; but I think making the AI a bit more rational won't hurt. | |
| Config | Partly through the DLL, partly through Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml. | |

| 115 | Al less willing to commit to victory strategies | |
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| See also | 112: Al civs less willing to become vassals. 018: Al uses Crush strategy less. 019 makes the Al a bit less inclined to use military strategies in Aggressive Al mode. | |
| AdvCiv | K-Mod | |

In a game with 7 civs, the AI enters stage 3 (of The thresholds are 50% for stage 3 and 80% for 4) of the Domination victory strategy when stage 4, and don't depend on the number of civs. meeting 55% of the (land and population) However, the requirements themselves do requirements. More generally, the target depend on the number of civs (e.g. 64% with 7 percentage for stage 3 is 62 minus the number civs, 51% with 16). of civs, and 87 minus the number of civs for Victory strategies with stages 1 to 4 were stage 4. introduced by BBAI. At stage 4, victory is imminent. The K-Mod AI goes for military victories too often (or early) for my taste. The BBAI Rationale approach of letting the AI play more rationally is fine, but let's not turn it into a wannabe HoF player. 50% means 24% of the world population and 32% of the land, i.e. about a "double share" in a standard game: 2 in 7 is 28.5%. This shouldn't quite be enough to trigger domination 3. 55% means that 35% of the land is needed for stage 3. That's right between 3 in 7 (42.8%) and 2 in 7. I'm factoring in the number of civs because it is easier to conquer more land when that land is divided among several weak opponents than when it is owned by a few powerful ones. Added a condition that makes the AI less willing No such condition. to go for Conquest victory if there are many rivals on other continents. The half-rivals-defeated condition is checked for Escalated the conditions so that the conquest stage is essentially one less than in BBAI/K-Mod. stage 4 (which becomes stage 3 in AdvCiv), but Added requirements for stage 4: half of the initial there are also alternative conditions for that rivals, rounded down, need to be defeated. stage. Rationale As above: military victories are too commonly pursued. Also: It's problematic when an Al civ goes for a military victory before naval invasions become feasible, because it's too difficult for players on other continents to interfere in time. Made the conditions for culture victory strategies more narrow. Rationale Culture-loving Als can be unpleasant to play against (culture pressure, wonder grabbing), so the AI should only go for it when there is a realistic chance of success. (Only relevant if UWAI is disabled.) When in multiple wars at once, the AI ignores its AI in Conquest 4 or Domination 4 never ends a military victory stage and applies the normal chosen war so long as war successes are decision process to any war that is no longer favorable. recent. I.e. multiple wars are still possible, but the AI won't just refuse to talk. It's OK that an AI close to a military victory likes to fight wars, but it doesn't have to Rationale

Even when militarily superior, conquering so many cities is going to take time.

Once Apollo Project is built, stage 3 can be

reached just through technological progress.

insist on fighting everyone at once.

Conquest 4 only when owning at least half of the world's cities.

Space victory not pursued if total production

Rationale

clearly insufficient.

| Rationale | To discourage small civs, say, with just three cities, from pursuing a space victory. If they want to have a chance, they'll need to expand instead. | | |
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| | f a civ has a very large total production rate in the end game, Space victory is considered even if other civs are a bit more advanced technologically. | | |
| Rationale | Mostly to allow civs that are pursuing a military victory to switch to Space victory if they run into a stalemate with another very powerful civ. | | |
| 115b | Stages for Diplo victory revised | | |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI | |
| of the own te and randomi | y on the current (voting) population eam, vassals and friends. Personality ness still factor in; game options s Diplo victory disabled). | Based on leader personality, randomness and, a little bit, on Aggressive AI and Always Peace game options. | |
| Stages 3 and victory stage | d 4 can be run regardless of other es. | Stages 3 and 4 are impossible if already in stage 3 or 4 of another victory condition. | |
| AI prioritizes | food a bit at stage 4 (grow votes). | | |
| Rationale | This part of the victory-stage code hadn't been revised by karadoc and it didn't do anything intelligent. Checking for peaceful game options isn't good: Diplo victories are usually half conquest, half diplomacy. | | |
| | | e for the AI. I've made the changes mostly for estimating voting populations for <u>UWAI</u> . | |
| build AP and | Diplo victory stage 2 factors into the decision to build AP and UN. The AI avoids building AP/UN if avoidance. Another civ seems closer to Diplo victory. (NB: Building evaluation also affects AI tech paths, i.e. the AI is able to aim at Mass Media – in it can properly evaluate the UN.) | | |
| Tbd. | Doesn't look reliable; at best, it'll no longer build the UN when it's <i>obviously</i> a terrible blunder. | | |
| See also | 178 is supposed to improve CityAl d | ecisions about the AP. | |
| AdvCiv | dvCiv BtS | | |
| inclined to pursue the "Missionary" strategy, and its vassals switch out of Theocracy. Deen Borders and whether they've already converted. Victory doesn't play a role. | | , · | |
| Rationale | · | | |
| Tbd. | AP victory conditions need to be overhauled. It's silly that a single converted city makes all the difference in victory votes. (War votes are already addressed by dlph.25 .) | | |

| | oses the victory resolution when it nce and a team member is at Diplo 4. | Al chooses uniformly at random from all the resolutions that it supports. |
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| Voting AI abstains if it likes two candidates equally. | | Votes for the candidate with the lowest internal id; normally humans have lower ids than AI civs. |
| Also abstain condition. | s when at stage 4 of a victory | May vote for someone else's diplo victory even e.g. after launching a spaceship. |
| Tbd. | The AI still proposes random resolute to watch. | ions in all other cases, and this is often agonizing |
| | Under "let's discuss something else", should allow asking the AI whether it would vote for the active player. Could call the option sth. like "If there was an election next tuesday" Then just call CvPlayerAI::AI_diploVote (should make that const too). Snarky attitude-flavored responses would be nice. | |
| 115c | Victory strategies in zero-sum game: | S |
| one other tea | am left; Al does pursue Conquest if | Diplo2 possible with just one rival, but UN and AP require at least two other teams. |
| there is just (| one other team to begin with. | Conquest1 requires at least one civ to be a vassal or eliminated; doesn't work if there are only two teams at game start. |
| Rationale | Both only really relevant for games a | against a single AI opponent. |
| 115d | Show human victory stage in debug mode | |
| Debug mode | bebug mode has no bearing on victory stages. The victory stage of human civs is computed they were AI civs when in debug mode. | |
| (No change.) | | Also, human civs can never be at stage 1 or 2 of a victory strategy, only 0, 3 or 4. |
| Rationale | Since R&F, UWAI and other parts of the AdvCiv AI code use victory stage in order to determine whether a (rival) civ is getting close to a victory condition, it's important to see the human victory stage the same way that the AI sees it. | |
| | Stage 1 and 2 are probably too unreliable and might lead to peculiar decisions from Al governors of human cities. I'm guessing that's why BBAI restricts human victory stages. Fair enough; the AI only needs to know when a human is close to victory; 0, 1 and 2 don't (need to) make a difference. | |
| Tbd. | The AI_calculateVictoryStage functions aren't ideal for determining how close a civ is to victory. The main purpose of these functions is to determine whether and how much the AI should focus on a particular victory condition; therefore, e.g. AI flavor values factor in. Would be better to write separate code for measuring the progress toward victory. | |

| 116 | Changes to raze decisions |
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| | 250b moves the No City Razing option to the bottom of the Custom Game screen. 122 makes the AI raze cities in awful sites. 300 deals with razing by Barbarians. cdtw.1: razing by vassals. |
| Tbd. | Try to use code from the <u>UWAI</u> evaluation of conquered cities and from CvPlayer::AI_cityTradeVal. |

| AdvCiv | | K-Mod 1.44 |
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| between 0 | and 5 is above 0, the city is razed. 0 | Raze value is used as the probability of razing a city, i.e. even if the value is just 1, the city might be razed (with probability 1%). |
| | value. Settled Great People count as | RazeCityProb adds up to 75 to raze value. Settled GP count as 2 against. |
| | istance and finances lowered; impact adjusted to map size. | Cities past a distance threshold are usually razed. |
| _ | raze when controlling fewer than 5 n the early game. | Cities conquered in a very early rush are usually razed because of the distance. |
| the conque away from predict if ot | ther city on the continent is owned by ring AI civ or when the city is very far that civ's territory, the AI tries to her cities in the vicinity are going to red. If so, the city is less likely to be | |
| razed. | | (Some improvements in K-Mod 1.45, but my changes are more comprehensive.) |
| Rationale | Rationale K-Mod razes too much and too randomly, and this is among the most common complaints about K-Mod. Leader personality has far too much impact: Genghis Khan has 75 RazeCityProb while some leaders have 0. A city would have to have e.g. 15 settled GP to make up for that difference (assuming each GP counts as 5; in K-Mod it actually only 2), or 5 active wonders (each counts as 15). | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Al factors cultural ownership into raze decisions. Reluctant to raze cities with own majority culture or with majority culture of a partner civ (i.e. attitude Pleased or higher). | | Tile culture is ignored. The AI incurs diplo penalties by razing cities with cultural majority of a third party. |
| Rationale | The Diplo penalty is usually not worth costly. (The AI knows how to do that | h it. Can give the city away if it becomes too too.) |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI |
| reconquere of the previ the city if re | I civ conquers a city that, if ed, may soon lead to a Culture victory ous owner, the conquering civ razes econquest seems plausible (based on s and nearby units). | The dangerous city is razed in any case. |
| Rationale | The BBAI comment actually said to r check was there. | aze unless we "overpower" them, but no power |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| The AI is ex | ktra reluctant to raze Barbarian cities. | Some parts of the raze value computation already directly or indirectly take into account whether the city is Barbarian. |
| Rationale | | |
| | | ently evaluate whether Barbarian cities are worth king well). When a city is razed, this AI flaw |

| | becomes obvious to the human player. Better try to cover that up than to break immersion. |
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| See also | $Tbd.$ -note toward the end of change $\underline{300}$ about improving the AI for targeting Barbarian cities. |

| 117 | Al chops more Forests | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| | somewhat willing to chop depending Workers and competing Worker | Only chops while building something urgent, or a building in a small city. Then assigns a priority P that is proportional to the chopping yield. |
| situations wl | cally, assigns a priority of 0.5 * P in here the K-Mod AI is unwilling to 5 * P otherwise. | |
| chopping opportunities are taken into account. i.e. when a Worker is assigned to a city in orde build improvements, it may (afterwards) be | | Chopping seems to happen only opportunistically, i.e. when a Worker is assigned to a city in order to build improvements, it may (afterwards) be instructed to chop if there happen to be Forests. |
| Rationale | K-Mod tries to discourage extensive chopping, but I don't think this can work without reducing or delaying chopping yields further (beyond what patch 1.61 did). As it stands, the K-Mod AI is missing out on early chopping yields. See also this discussion on CFC. | |
| | In particular, there are few reasons not to cut down Forests along rivers and on hills. With Replaceable Parts, a hill Lumbermill yields only one more commerce than a Mine, and, in part due to change 902, a river Lumbermill can't compete with Watermill. As a result of my changes, AI Lumbermills on hills/ at rivers don't seem to occur anymore at all. The other Forests remain largely intact. | |
| Tbd. | Chopping along rivers is historically sound but on hills not so much. Perhaps I'll allow Mines to coexist with Forest (though some areas were deforested for producing charcoal for smelting ores). | |
| | The AI should arguably chop even more. I intend to nerf chopping instead, probably by restricting the yield to apply only to buildings and ships. | |
| | | speed up the current city production, i.e. if it isn't lemented that for the decision to chop while so far. |
| See also | 113 also includes chopping opportunities in the estimated Worker tasks. 064b prevents chopping production from being converted into overflow gold. | |

| Al chops Fo Restrictions: | rests outside of city radii. : | The AI never chops Forests on tiles that no city can work on. |
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| Only wher | n there is nothing else to do. | |
| | automated and chopping is I in options. | |
| Not if there warming. | e is already anger from global | |
| Not near p | planned city sites. | |
| Not on imp | proved tiles (e.g. Fort). | |
| The AI bui chopping. | lds a route to the tile before | |
| | ure cities, distance and the correct chop aren't considered. | |
| Rationale | My conditions are simplistic and rath unworked Forests within its own bor | ner conservative. At least the AI now fells ders at some point. |
| Tbd. | Considering to set 0 yield from chopping outside the BFC; then this change will be obsolete. | |
| See also | 119 prohibits chopping on unowned tiles, i.e. the AI doesn't have to worry about those tiles. | |
| | O12 gives Forest and Jungle a defensive bonus that only the tile owner benefits from. Therefore this change in K-Mod 1.45, which makes the AI more inclined to chop Forests in the inner city ring, has no effect unless change 012 is disabled. (I've still merged that K-Mod change.) | |

| 118 | Al changes regarding peacekeeping and city votes | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| | and votes for peace if it likes both either side is clearly winning or | Al only seeks peace if it likes the losing side or dislikes the winning side. |
| _ | s that the attitude is strictly greater eWarThemRefuse- reshold. | "Like" means attitude greater than or equal to DeclareWarThemRefuseAttitudeThreshold. |
| Rationale | A minor thing that vexed me in one game. The AI should stop inconclusive wars between its partners. | |
| | The second part is probably a bug in enough to not declare war on them" | n K-Mod. A comment says, "if [we] like them , and this isn't what the code does. |
| See also | UWAI (104n) partly handles peace vote decisions, but 118 still applies. | |
| | always defy when its last city is to to another civ. | 1 chance in 3 to defy when a city owned by the Al civ or its teammates is to be reassigned. That's all. |
| Credits | krikav managed to eliminate an AI c | iv through an Apostolic Palace vote: CFC <u>link</u> |

| Tbd. | Check how important the city is relative to the AI civ's total economy and how much defiance will hurt etc. BBAI comment: "Wonders, holy city, aggressive AI?" |
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| | Ideally use existing city evaluation functions. |

| 119 | Can't chop Forest, Jungle outside borders | |
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| Worker builds that remove features can only be built in plots owned by the Worker's team. Features can be removed from unowned plots and even from plots owned by a war enemy. | | |
| Rationale | Forests being chopped for marginal gains by idle Workers isn't realistic. In part, the problem lies with Workers working for free, but large-scale deforestation without nearby human settlement is strange in itself. Moreover, the AI doesn't chop outside of its borders, and it's easier to change the rules than to change the AI. | |
| | Part of an overall effort to reduce and delay deforestation (without inhibiting the A | |
| See also | 117: Al chopping on owned tiles that aren't workable. | |

| 120 | Usability and AI improvements for espionage | | |
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| See also | 132 makes the AI use the force-religion mission less (also changes the mission cost). | | |
| Rationale | Espionage in BtS is beyond redempt and try to make the rest easier to ign | ion. Focus on the few parts that somewhat work, ore. | |
| AdvCiv | ı | K-Mod | |
| Default espi | ionage weight set to 0. | 1 in K-Mod (since v1.30), was 0 in BtS. | |
| Rationale | Important in the (frequent) situation where a player sets some espionage weights before meeting all rivals. When meeting another rival, a default weight of 0 means that no points are assigned to that rival until the player readjusts the weights in the espionage screen. 1 could mean that a few points are assigned or a lot, depending on the weights set previously. | | |
| | Al less worried (50%) about war opponents naving a leg up in espionage. | | |
| Not likelier to train Spies when fighting a war, only during war preparations. War plans increase the odds for training a S if running the Espionage Economy strategy. | | War plans increase the odds for training a Spy as if running the Espionage Economy strategy. | |
| Rationale | It's better to focus commerce on research or entertainment when at war, and production on military units. Espionage is for cold-war situations. | | |
| | That said, when war is declared, relations take a dive and the enemy may quickly order some malicious Spy missions. It's good to prepare for that, and some extra Spies for lowering city defenses could also be helpful (although the AI rarely manages to use that mission). | | |
| Messages a | Messages about rival counterespionage missions are shown in white, not in red. | | |
| Rationale | Often, the affected player isn't even using espionage, so a counterespionage mission shouldn't use the color of alarm. | | |
| other vassals of the master when checking for | | Not sure if there's something to prevent capitulated vassals from trying to steal their master's tech (or anyone's). | |
| Rationale | When a vassal switches to an espionage economy to steal tech from the master, then the commerce generated by that vassal is essentially lost to the master. This would be | | |

| | too much of a disadvantage, potentially discouraging players from accepting vassals. | |
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| Tbd. | Capitulated vassals should only ever attempt to steal techs that the master doesn't already have. | |
| 120b | Al Spies less malicious | |
| Tbd. | Higher AI diplo penalty for malicious missions, and no diplo penalty for failed missions. E.g. 2/3 chance of a diplo penalty (and spy identity revealed) for successful malicious missions, 1/3(4?) for successful non-malicious missions. Espionage screen should then indicate which missions are considered to be malicious. | |
| See also | 130v makes Spies less likely to attac | k capitulated vassals. |
| Cautious or no-war thre malicious at malicious at | Al uses "malicious" espionage only when Cautious or Annoyed, depending on the leader's no-war threshold. (If no war at Pleased, then malicious at Annoyed; if no war at Friendly, then malicious at Cautious.) Aggressive Al has no impact on Al malice. | |
| | o be malicious when planning war or v that is close to victory; no change.) | |
| Rationale | them quite well). I like them for flavor | eneficial for the AI (although the K-Mod AI uses r, but, flavor-wise, malicious espionage only essive AI still has an indirect effect because war AI leads to more AI war plans. |
| No fomented unrest, poisoned water or sabotaged building while a city is in disorder. Cities in disorder are only exempt from sabotaged building K-Mod comment: "disorder messes up the evaluation of production and of building value" | | sabotaged building K-Mod comment: "disorder messes up the evaluation of production |
| Rationale | Cities in disorder won't lose food. | |
| No revolt incited when city defenders are overpowered by a factor of 8:1 or worse. | | The K-Mod code only make sure that the defenders aren't too powerful. Will even use the revolt mission against undefended cities. (Whereas BBAI had a clause – disabled in K-Mod – that blocked the revolt mission when the attackers were more than twice as powerful as the defenders.) |
| Rationale | 2:1 as in BBAI would be too strict. Juinciting a revolt doesn't mean that a r | est because a city can be conquered without revolt isn't worthwhile. |
| The Espionage Economy strategy greatly reduces AI espionage weights against civs from whom no techs could be stolen. K-Mod added this strategy; comment in AI_Defines.h: "run high espionage slides steal techs at a discount." | | AI_Defines.h: "run high espionage slider to steal techs at a discount." |
| | | When hoping to steal a tech from a particular civ, the weights of other civs are halved. |
| | Decreased chance malicious missions further when in Espionage Economy. Espionage Economy already decreases the chance of malicious missions. | |
| Rationale | Even 10% of that can amount to a lomissions. | much higher espionage output than normal. t of wasted commerce if it's spent on frivolous |
| 120c | Hide the espionage slider when it's at 0 | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |

| | 0. Added the slider to the Espionage is | Once Writing is discovered, the Espionage slider is shown on the main interface, city screen and interface tab of the Economics Advisor. |
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| Rationale | More room on the main interface. Many | players hardly ever touch the espionage slider. |
| Config | Optional through the "General" tab of the BUG menu. | |
| | 120g requires Alphabet for adjusting the slider. History Rewritten also places the espionage slider on the Espionage screen (though I don't suppose it's removed from the main interface). | |
| | Occasionally (rarely?), the Espionage screen gets garbled when the slider is moved from 0 to 10. See comment in CvPlayer::setCommercePercent. | |

| 120d | Info on Espionage screen revised | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | | Says "Cost"; same as the heading for the espionage mission cost. |
| | that the player has reached and sts that he/she could pay are shown in | All in white. |
| Rationale | If it isn't paid, it isn't a cost. | |
| Credits | The green numbers I've seen in anot | her mod, probably BULL or BUFFY. |
| train Spies | costs are listed if the player can't (i.e. prior to Alphabet). Exception: hown if the player controls a Great | Mission costs are listed as soon as the player learns the location of a rival city. |
| Rationale | Rather distracting to see the costs ea | arly in the game. |
| See also | Ties in with change <u>004w</u> (uncluttering the UI). A Great Spy prior to Alphabet is a rather academic possibility since the Great Wall no longer provides Great Spy points (change <u>310</u>). | |
| Production/Improvement/Building missions are shown as a single item "Sabotage" with mission cost "?". Sabotage Project is shown with a cost, but | | Three separate entries. Costs are shown for all except Sabotage Improvement. The cost for Sabotage Production gives away the number of hammers spent on the target city's unfinished production. The cost for Sabotage Building is based on the cheapest building in the city. |
| Rationale | The Sabotage Building cost is mostly sabotage the cheapest building. | unhelpful – unlikely that the player wants to |
| | The amount of invested production is Wonder?) – but arguably information | useful information (close to completing a that the player shouldn't get for free. |
| | The cost for Sabotage Project doesn' listed on the Victory screen. | 't give anything away I think; Spaceship Parts are |
| See also | 103 allows Spy units to investigate ci construction. | ties; that's the fair way to find Wonders under |

| | 045 hides buildings in rival cities (meaning that the Sabotage Building cost does give away secret information) | | |
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| See also | Should show the missions as in BtS when able to investigate the city. And should additionally name the cheapest building and the current production and its progress as "hammers/hammers needed". | | |
| player is ur the target c tech (on wh | "Steal Technology" is shown without a cost if the player is unable to trade techs with the owner of the target city. If they can trade, the cheapest tech (on which the mission cost is based) is shown in parentheses in addition to the cost. | | |
| would curre | Steal Treasury" shows the amount of gold that vould currently be stolen (and on which the shown mission cost is based). Can compute the amount of gold from the shown mission cost. | | |
| Rationale | Don't want to give away the cheapest tech in situations when tech is otherwise secret (pre-Alphabet, No Tech Trading option). If a cost is shown, the cheapest tech can be deduced; more convenient and transparent to just name the tech. Same with gold. | | |
| See also | 004i tells a player from whom gold was stolen how much was stolen. | | |

| 120e | Al response to poisoned water and unrest | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The effects of poisoned water and fomented unrest don't affect the AI population target, meaning that the AI tends to prioritize food more after a spy attack (in order to keep the current population despite food lost due to anger and bachealth). | | The effects of spy attacks are treated just like other causes of bad health and anger when setting a population target, meaning that the Al lets its population shrink after a spy attack (may even de-prioritize food). |
| See also | 160 slows down starvation | |
| | The AI should be more upset about poisoned water and fomented unrest than about other spy missions. Could implement that, but spies get identified too rarely (25%; ESPIONAGE_SPY_REVEAL_IDENTITY_PERCENT) for it to matter. Perhaps give these missions a 50% chance of revealing spy identity even when the spy isn't caught? See also <i>Tbd.</i> under 120b. | |

| 120f | Spy missions announced to third parties | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| announced to third parties that know the mission target. The owner of the spy unit is not named in the notification. Missions that change the religion of a civ are recorded in replays along with the spy owner. | | I'm not sure if the BtS AI uses the revolution missions much; the K-Mod AI does use them |
| | Rationale It's easy to forget about the possibility of a spy mission and to assume that something is wrong with the AI code when an AI civ switches to a suboptimal civic or religion, sometimes, only to switch back after 5 turns. | |

| | I don't think there is generally a way to infer whether a revolution was triggered by a spy. A normal revolution causes anarchy, but that anarchy has normally already ended when the next human turn starts. So this change reveals information that players don'have in BtS. I don't like that, but I like an AI that looks incompetent even less. | |
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| Config | Switch in GlobalDefines_advc.xml (doesn't affect the replay message though) | |

| 120 g | The espionage slider requires Alphabet | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| In games started with AdvCiv 0.95 or later, the espionage slider can't be adjusted until Alphabet. | | The espionage slider can be adjusted as soon as another civ is encountered. (This condition is implemented, unusually, in CvMainInterface.py.) |
| Rationale | Don't want to clutter the main interface with this slider long before it is needed. | |
| | 120c hides the slider from the main interface when it's 0, but that's optional. And, if 120c is enabled, having an icon for the adjust-slider ability on the tech tree allows me to place a hint in the hover text about the new location of the slider. | |
| Config | Can be reverted through CIV4TechInfos.xml and CIV4CommerceInfo.xml. | |

| 120h | Keep espionage-against ratios secret | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| (as in K-Mo scoreboard the active p | against ratios aren't shown anywhere od) and the espionage icon on the (disabled by default) is shown when player has set a positive weight on the screen against a rival. | BtS shows as a ratio on the scoreboard and on the Foreign Advisor screen how many espionage points the active player has accumulated against each rival (that info is still available on the Espionage screen) and how many espionage points the rival has accumulated against the active player. Since K-Mod 1.26, this espionage against ratio is no longer shown. The espionage icon on the scoreboard is disabled by default in K-Mod, but, if enabled, it shows whether the espionage-against ratio is greater than 1. |
| | | On the Espionage screen (no change in AdvCiv), an espionage icon is shown next to rivals against whom the active player has set a positive espionage weight. |
| Rationale The K-Mod change seems to irk some players greatly, but I don't see why. One reduser writes that "it makes espionage much more difficult, annoying and non-worthwhile." That sounds like tech stealing strategies depend on the espionage against ratio somehow, but the cost of espionage missions isn't based on that at all based on the total espionage ratio (points that active player and target respectively have ever accumulated against anyone) and that ratio is still shown on the Espiona screen. (Plus, in K-Mod, it's cheaper to conduct missions against civs with a large population.) Also, how hard can it be to guess, approximately, the AI espionage weights? | | much more difficult, annoying and non- ealing strategies depend on the espionage- of espionage missions isn't based on that at all, it's points that active player and target respectively ne) and that ratio is still shown on the Espionage to conduct missions against civs with a large |
| | (suggests that the ratio of points accu | cause the espionage-against ratio is misleading imulated against each other is important) and can vals and AI war plans. The espionage icon on |

| | scoreboard probably can't really give away such information, but it's more straightforward to keep the espionage-against ratio entirely secret. Also, the BtS condition for showing the icon was difficult to guess (as there's also the total espionage ratio shown prominently on the Espionage screen) and nearly impossible to guess when espionage-against ratios are hidden. The new meaning of the scoreboard icon is consistent with the icon shown on the Espionage screen. | | |
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| Tbd. | The scoreboard icon probably isn't very useful now. Perhaps add some hover text and/ or let a right-click on the icon set the weight to 0. Note that the passive missions (demographics, see research) are already covered by other scoreboard columns (power ratio, current research). | | |
| AdvCiv/ Var | AdvCiv/ Vanilla Civ 4/ Warlords BtS | | |
| | | Messages are shown immediately when the missions are executed. | |
| Rationale | Don't want players to infer the spy owner from the timing of the messages. The original Civ 4 code in CvUnits.cpp (e.g. CvUnit::destroy) had gotten this right; BtS mucked it up. | | |

| 121 | Misc AI changes to Worker builds and citizen assignment | |
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| See also | 131: Other minor misc. AI changes | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS/ K-Mod |
| | | The Worker AI frequently builds Forts on resources that aren't (yet) workable. Forts are always preferred on these tiles. |
| How busy Workers currently are overall; | | |
| whether the tile has natural defenses; | | |
| • whether a city is planned on or next to the tile; | | |
| • and whether a Fort would function as a canal. | | |
| positive yield over Forts on workable tiles, and replaces the Fort when a tile with a Fort becomes workable (once a Worker finds time to | | Once Fort tiles become workable, the AI is hesitant to replace Forts with yield improvements Also likes to build Farms and Cottages on revealed but yet unusable resources, and doesn't |
| ments that conr replaced – ever resource). Prob | le bug that may have prevented improvenect a resource – like Forts – from being he by an improvement that also connects the ably not a bug after all. I think my change er priority to replacing Forts. | replace them with improvements that connect the resource later on. |

| Rationale | I've posted some screenshots about | the K-Mod problems <u>here</u> . | |
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| | should be hesitant to build them. Pos | often have to be replaced later on, so the Al ssibly a bug in BtS: The Al picks the most os intended to be the cheapest (hard to say). | |
| | My heuristic using natural tile defense leads to a reasonable number of Forts in reasonable locations. Not really smart, but looks good on the surface. | | |
| | Silk Fort preserves the underlying for commerce from a Plantation. 3 commerce from a Plantation. | yield improvements even on workable tiles. A rest, which is worth 1 production vs. the 3 merce is generally preferable to 1 production, and en 1 production is better. Better stick to the | |
| Tbd. | d. I'm still seeing Forts on workable Silk. I intend to add one commerce to Silk P and Fur Camp anyway, will hopefully no longer happen then. | | |
| Could also look into Fuyu's Better BUG AI code marked with "Forts Con Resources but should never be built"; seems to address the same problecode. | | | |
| | I don't think I've actually seen an AI of AI_getPlotCanalValue either). | canal yet (not through CvPlayerAI:: | |
| choosing jobs for citizens by 38%, but made the value decrease faster with each additional GP. that food is currently evaluated, I need to d the value of GPP so that specialists don't g value more highly than food tiles. (I hope to | | K-Mod comment: "[] because of the flawed way that food is currently evaluated, I need to dilute the value of GPP so that specialists don't get value more highly than food tiles. (I hope to correct this later.)" | |
| Rationale | | e enough GPs in the first half of the game and didn't look into the food evaluation issue still seem to grow normally in tests. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| When AI yield priorities are adjusted in response to high expenses, then the adjustment is done gradually over the course of several turns. | | The city AI may lower the priority of production yields when (overall) expenses are high. The priorities are fully recomputed each turn without any inertia. | |
| Rationale | Comment in the Dune Wars mod: "ALN - this causes a few issues in DuneWars and in general. if it causes a wholesale move towards commerce, the ratio changes next turn shifting back to production, leading to a possible endless seesaw [e]ffect" I haven't observed such a seesaw effect, but it sounds plausible. (I didn't adopt any code from Dune Wars; I think their solution is specific to that mod.) | | |
| Made the cit population. | y AI prioritize food more in situations | when happiness and health allow for a lot of extra | |

| 121b | Al uses hurry production less aggressively, especially Slavery | |
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When the production order that is to be hurried is nonurgent. I'm reducing the value counted for overflow production because the subsequent orders are probably also not going to be urgent.

Decreased the urgency factor for units so that the AI will mostly only hurry them when there is a same function that is used for choosing war plan. Except Settlers and Workers, which are usually hurried.

Buildings that primarily grant happiness and health are only hurried if the city immediately needs happiness or health. And specialist slots are ignored when evaluating the benefit of getting a building earlier (because the population because their building values are extraordinarily loss will make it difficult to fill those slots).

Even when a building has a very high utility and is thus desirable to get earlier, the AI will not hurry the building if that's inefficient in terms of lost food versus gained production – i.e. when the building is a wonder with a hurry penalty.

When evaluating the cost of not working a tile due to population loss from Slavery, the value is increased if the tile is unimproved and expected to be improved soon.

K-Mod replaces the lengthy case-by-case BtS code (e.g. "Rush Courthouse if maintenance is at least 10") with a general calculation of lost and gained yields. The benefits of getting a building a couple of turns earlier are evaluated through the production orders (AI buildingValue). For units, it's a matter war plans and Area AI, but cities that can use Slavery efficiently (Granary and low population) will normally hurry units even when there is no war plan, and all buildings too.

Wonders are usually hurried despite the penalty high.

Will hurry too readily in the early game when Workers aren't quick enough to improve tiles. This is a bit of a feedback loop because unimproved worked tiles are a main driver of training additional Workers. Also, in general, if Slavery is used a lot, cities stay small, and thus Slavery remains efficient (small cities need less food to regrow population).

| Rationale | The K-Mod yield calculations are very well done I think (certainly better than anything I could write), just the part that evaluates how urgently the city needs production is bare-bones. |
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| | The AI doesn't hurry as much as a highly competent player now, but that makes sense to me because the AI generally produces units and buildings ahead of time (or for no particular purpose) and thus doesn't benefit much from getting them a couple of turns earlier. |
| | Not sure how much the AI uses rush buying now. (Well, basically, hardly ever as in K-Mod because the AI won't adopt Universal Suffrage, and I can't blame it.) |
| See also | 064b changes the interaction between hurry production, chopping and overflow a bit (rules-wise). 110 shifts yield priorities, in part, to match the use of Slavery. 912d allows Slavery to be disabled for human players. |
| | Civ 4 Reimagined also tones down K-Mod Slavery: "AI doesn't use slavery as extensively as before which results in bigger cities and stronger AI overall." (source) |

| 122 | Changes to city trades |
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| Tbd. | Make the AI willing to trade cities with high foreign culture at peace and allow the AI to accept or give any trade items for cities (currently: only gives cities in peace deals or as gifts, and never pays for cities except with a peace treaty). This is already work in progress for v0.95, and there is some temporary code tagged with "advc.tmp" in CvPlayer::updateTradeList and CvPlayerAI::AI_cityTrade. |
| See also | 139 reduces the trade value assigned by the AI to evacuating cities. 104h: Slightly changes the conditions under which the AI adds cities to peace deals. |

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| as reparatio decreased i | n the city tile and in the city cross (21 it for tiles assigned to other cities of | The old owner's tile culture is set to 0 in the city tile and in the inner circle. The outer circle remains unchanged. |
| The tile culture of the new owner is increased by the same amount that the old owner's culture is decreased. The amount of converted culture is equal to 50% of the old owner's culture or 100% of the new owner's culture, whichever is smaller. I.e. the new owner's culture can at most triple, and the old owner's culture can at most halve. 33% of the old owner's city culture is converted into culture of the new owner. This doesn't increase the city's total culture (sum over all civs), so it should be safe in multiplayer. | | The new owner doesn't gain any tile culture. If the city is liberated, then the new owner's city culture (not: city tile culture) is increased by 50% of the old owner's city culture. The old owner doesn't lose any city culture. K-Mod disables the culture increase when the new owner had already owned the city at some earlier time; this was done to block an exploit in multiplayer mode. City trades that don't count as liberation don't affect city culture. |
| Rationale | should have some (appeasing) effect | ts is jarring. That said, the mutual agreement on the population, so I'm halving the removed lead to strange borderlines with foreign enclaves. |
| | for the consensual change in owners | city suffer less from culture pressure, to account hip (as opposed to violent conquest), to avoid arties, and because culture shouldn't just vanish. |
| | | ased on the new owner's city culture because the y city culture. Therefore, I'm not using the tile lture. |
| Config | CITY_TRADE_CULTURE_THRESH in GlobalDefines_advc.txt | |
| See also | dlph.23 removes the distinction between liberation and regular city trade when it comes to city culture. | |
| In order to be able to receive a city through trade a civ needs to have at least 10 percent tile culture there. | | All cities can be traded between humans. The Al accepts all cities from humans where it has at least 1% culture, and otherwise refuses only if the city is 10 or more tiles away from the nearest Al city, or when in financial trouble (which rarely occurs). |
| | | Outside of peace negotiations, cities change hands between AI civs only through liberation (which requires much more than 10 percent tile culture). |
| | | Vassals can only receive cities through liberation; see next blue box. |
| Rationale | Should make it harder to gift worthless cities to the Al. It's also implausible that a city could be given over to a nation that has no history there. Tile culture also implies geographical vicinity. | |
| A master civ can gift any cities to its vassal where Can only <i>liberate</i> cities to vassals. If a vassal isn't the vassal has more culture than the master. The the civ that would receive a city upon liberation, vassal may reject the city; will then appear in red on the Trade screen. | | |

| Rationale | I suspect that the restriction was nut | in place to prevent masters from demanding their | |
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| ranonaic | vassals' cities, and that the inverse of | direction had been assumed to be covered by ity that is culturally contested between a vassal | |
| | Giving cities to vassals means less had allowed, to begin with). | numan city management; should be encouraged | |
| | The culture clause is just flavor. I suppose the master population wouldn't want to be ruled by the vassal. | | |
| | te a city even if there is an enemy sea -combat unit visible from the city. | There must not be any unit hostile to the prospective city owner visible from the city. Otherwise, the city can still be traded, but it doesn't count as a liberation (no diplo bonus). | |
| Rationale | 1 | onable – if the new owner has to fight for the city, at can't attack the city shouldn't block liberation. | |
| are near a | When enemy units (war enemies or Barbarians) Only liberation cares about hostile units, and that clause is only about units hostile to the new owner. | | |
| that city ca | ar with the previous owner of a city, In't be traded to civs that aren't at war evious owner. | | |
| These two | restrictions don't apply to liberation. | | |
| Rationale | | tened (and possibly untenable) cities to an | |
| | uninvolved party. In reality other civs not recognize such a change in own | (including the enemy at the gates) would simply | |
| Only revea | 1 | (including the enemy at the gates) would simply ership. Can receive previously unknown cities as part of | |
| " make a | not recognize such a change in own aled cities can be traded for. | (including the enemy at the gates) would simply ership. Can receive previously unknown cities as part of a peace deal. Al civs accept unknown cities from | |
| " make a | not recognize such a change in own aled cities can be traded for. trade proposal" option hidden when so eligible trade items. A minor change while I'm at it. Not p | c (including the enemy at the gates) would simply ership. Can receive previously unknown cities as part of a peace deal. Al civs accept unknown cities from human civs as gifts. Proposal can lead to an empty Trade Screen. lausible that the Al is (supposedly) able to decide o knowledge of. Moreover, unrevealed cities are, | |
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| units. | | teleported away although a city under occupation doesn't have a culture range. |
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| Rationale | Arguably a bug. | |

| 123 | Blocked exploits | | |
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| See also | Meatgrinder exploit: <u>139</u> . Worker stealing (<u>010</u>) is a bit of an exploit too I guess. Flat maps for lower distance maintenance: <u>140</u> . Gifting GP for diplo victory: <u>141</u> . Neutral units shielding cities from nukes: <u>dlph.7</u> . Gifting the AI useless cities: <u>122</u> . Gifting nukes: <u>143b</u> . Extra gold in Advanced Start with Expansive trait: <u>dlph.11</u> . Rival wonders under construction deduced through Sabotage Production mission cost: <u>120d</u> . Bumped units have all their movement points spent: <u>163</u> . Surrounding a city with friendly units doesn't stop Barbarians from trying to conquer that city: <u>083</u> . Can't pillage own resources to stack up overflow production: <u>064d</u> . Loopholes closed by K-Mod (not a complete list I think): Prevent overflow shenanigans (or at least rein them in) by allowing multiple units to be produced within the same turn. AI never agrees to Cease Fire. Spread Culture spy mission doesn't increase city culture. | | |
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| Tbd. | | If I ever want to write AI code for Cease Fire: CvPlayerAI::AI_considerOffer would be the place (see comment near the start of that function). | |
| 123a | Can't gift Missionaries to bypass Theocracy | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| Can't gift a Missionary to a civ in Theocracy unless the Missionary matches their state religion. | | Can bypass the Theocracy restriction by gifting Missionaries. The AI will normally use them too. | |
| Can't gift Caravels to a civ without an OB agreement. | | Can gift Missionaries inside Caravels in order to spread a religion without OB. | |
| Rationale | Arguably an exploit because the Theocracy restriction is pretty pointless this way. And keeping borders closed should keep Missionaries out, period. | | |
| Credits | DarkLunaPhantom fixed the Theocracy part independently. I hadn't thought of cargo units (other than Caravels), so I've adopted part of DLPh's fix. | | |
| See also | dlph.4 | | |
| 123b | Unused | | |
| 123c | Chains of cargo units | | |
| Land units can only be loaded as cargo if they have at least 1 move left. | | Loading and unloading don't require moves (although Loading consumes all moves). | |
| No change to air units; can still be loaded right after rebasing. | | Can exploit this to move land units across arbitrary distances over water within a single turn by using a chain of dispersed cargo units. | |
| 123d | Reduce war success when trading | away a city while at war | |
| When a city is traded away, and the old owner is at war with any earlier owners of the traded city, the war success of the old owner against these earlier owners is reduced by 25. A player can conquer a city (+25 war success against the enemy), gift it to a war ally (no change to war success), wait for the enemy to conquer the city again (+25 war success against the player's ally), and repeat. The war enemy then assume that the war against the player is | | | |

| | | going very badly. |
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| Rationale | Not so easy to exploit, but occasion | ally leads to quick capitulation. |
| | Reducing the war success against <i>all</i> earlier owners can be overkill, but this is difficult to avoid. | |
| Tbd. | The war success counted for a conquered (or traded) city should be based on the importance of the city. Currently, every city counts as WAR_SUCCESS_CITY_CAPTURING—which should remain the base value, to be multiplied by some modifier—except the capital, which already has a modifier of 1.5 (was 2 in BBAI; I've reduced it). The function that records war success is CvUnit::setXY. | |
| 123e | Can no longer plunder gold from Ba | ırbarian cities |
| Credits | Civ 4 Reimagined <u>1.2</u> | |
| See also | 033 prevents Privateers from plund | ering vassal cities. |
| 123f | Fail gold only for great wonders and | at most once per wonder |
| Tbd. | Perhaps convert only 50% of the invested production into gold and the rest into city culture. That should be a separate change id though because it's a balance change rather than just blocking an exploit. For now, fail gold remains a valid tactic, and this gives wonders with very weak abilities (e.g. Chichen Itza) at least some use. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When a great wonder is completed in a city, that wonder is immediately removed from the production queues of all other cities, generating fail gold. | | After a message about a rival finishing a wonder, another turn passes before the game removes the wonder from production queues and generates fail gold. |
| Exception: Members of the team that has completed the wonder never receive fail gold. | | No such exception. |
| When a player has invested production into a wonder but removed that wonder from the production queue, no fail gold is generated. | | Fail gold is generating regardless of whether the wonder is queued. This allows <u>crafty players</u> to cash in multiple times per wonder. |
| World projects are treated just like wonders. Units and national wonders never produce fail gold. | | Units, national wonders, great wonders, world and team projects are all treated alike, meaning that fail gold can also be obtained from e.g. Missionaries (see this CFC thread). |
| Rationale | The Wealth process should be used for converting production into gold, and that's already a pretty efficient conversion. Award fail gold only when it has to be done, namely when a civ is beaten to a wonder by a rival. If there was no such compensation, wonders would become too unattractive and frustrating. (Civ 6 reportedly has that problem.) | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Units never produce overflow gold. | | K-Mod uses excess production on additional units of the same type. Overflow can still occur I think, but only on units with a national limit. |
| | | As for buildings (no change): BtS 3.19 with the unofficial patch converts production into gold, but cancels out building-specific modifiers like Stone for Walls. |
| Rationale A side-effect of disabling fail gold for units, and I don't think that overflow gold should be a worthwhile tactic. | | r units, and I don't think that overflow gold should |

| Config | MAXED_UNIT_GOLD_PERCENT in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | |
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| | Once I remove the whip ability (hurry through population), it should be all but impossible to use the overflow rules for converting production into gold. | |
| 124g | Need to choose research a.s.a.p. at the start of a game | |
| research popup appears. If the player ends the turn without addressing the popup or sets research back to "no technology" after dealing with the popup, the AI chooses a tech for the player and the popup appears again on the next turn. After founding the first city. If the player manages avoid choosing a tech to research, then, during the first five turns, research is stored as over research; that research is spent once the player applied based on the selected tech. After five turns, the AI chooses for the player. Not choose a tech for five turns can yield a little bit of ext research due to known-tech modifiers; see the description here on CFC. The choose-production popup appears first. | | · |
| | My guess is that the Civ 4 developers wanted to delay the choose-tech popup by one turn to make the first turn easier for beginners, and set the limit to five turns because the player might move the Settler around a bit before founding a city. For this mod, this wouldn't make sense, and is a needless (and exploitable) complication. Choosing tech before production should actually be a bit easier for experienced players than vice versa. | |
| See also | Thread with detailed info on the sub | pject (and a post by me) |

| 124 | Restrictions on trade | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | | revealed. I.e. by revealing a path of road, river |
| Resource trades require a connection to any foreign city that is connected to the capital; the capital itself doesn't have to be revealed. I.e. pretty much no change. | | Resource trades require a connection to the foreign capital. |
| No trade routes with cities in occupation, and no trade routes with cities whose owners are in anarchy. | | |
| Rationale | The BtS concept isn't that unrealistic. If one side knows half of the way and the other side the other half, trade can be conducted in the middle. Soren Johnson explained this in a Twitch video, naming trade between Han China and Rome as example. | |
| | rewards repeated exploration of rival | the other city has to be revealed because this I territory, and the game tends to be more fun vities. Also makes Scouts more useful. Trade modeled as resource trade. |

| | The BtS rules are also inconsistent was secret; the trade routes listed on the | vith K-Mod's treatment of unrevealed cities as BtS city screen give the cities away. |
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| | blockaded and plundered cities as we | for added plausibility. I've considered excluding ell, but such cities could still trade across land, i.e.d, in which case trade routes are already severed. |
| | BtS rule (trade with third parties only | ade unless there is an OB agreement? I think the blocked when at war) plays better and is arguably <u>Hormuz</u> remained open despite the 1995 sanc- |
| Tbd. | long-distance trade routes between laborderland trade hubs that would rea | ies are matched. The current algorithm creates arge cities, but these cities aren't usually the distinctional through. Boils should be represented from end to end or hop by |
| | e trades, only one side needs to be th the other. | Trade connections are always symmetrical, so this isn't an issue. |
| Rationale | | onnection to be able to trade resources right away for the other civ to e.g. also research Sailing. |
| _ | rivers doesn't require any tech; back orked prior to BtS. | Trade along <i>owned</i> rivers works from the beginning, along unowned rivers only with |
| | g unowned coasts still requires p text says "Enables trade on Coasts n borders". | Sailing. Sailing help text just says "enables trade on Rivers"/ "Coasts". |
| Rationale | Not sure why this change was made in BtS. The distinction between owned and unowned rivers is pedantic, and confuses players (people ask about this now and ther on CFC). Rivers now work just like roads when it comes to trade. | |
| Tbd. | Want rivers to speed up movement a | s in Alpha Centauri. Fishing could enable this. |
| civ once it h civ, or if Al a OB thresho | ng to sign Open Borders with another has revealed a land tile owned by that attitude is one level above the normal ld, i.e. at Pleased in most cases. "We would have nothing to gain." | OB based only on a personality-based attitude threshold. |
| normal OB | 3 at attitude one level below the threshold when sharing a war but, if there is a revealed owned tile. | Al signs OB regardless of attitude when sharing a war. |
| OB to a hur | ntes OB with another AI (or proposes man) 10 turns (on average) after willing to agree to an OB proposal. | 20 turns |
| 20-turn dela | OB proposals to humans, there is a ay on Quick and Normal speed, a 30-on Epic speed and a 40-turn delay on peed. | 20 turns regardless of game speed |
| Rationale | Once the AI is willing to sign OB with 20 turns. | another AI, it shouldn't wait for another (up to) |
| | About the speed adjustment, see the | discussion <u>here</u> on CFC. |
| Credits | Got the idea for signing OB more qui to 5 turns. | ckly from Civ 4 Reimagined <u>1.3</u> . They even set it |

| Tbd. | With Paper, one can still get the AI to should check if it can actually reach a | o sign OB right away through map trading. Al any foreign tile before signing OB. |
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| | kes it a high priority to build at least explorer once it knows Sailing. | The AI prioritizes exploration only until meeting all civs. |
| AI consider | rs Galley to be suitable for exploration. | Unit AI types for Galley are only Transport and Attack. Before Caravels, only Work Boat and Trireme have the Explore AI type. |
| Rationale | | he AI needs to explore coasts more reliably. rk Boats get picked off by Barbarians at some |
| See also | 905a increases the speed of Galleys | ; this makes them more suitable as explorers. |
| plots are af that is not h | pass through hostile plots if these fected by a naval blockade by a party nostile to the trading civ. In particular, civ itself could blockade the plots. | Trade can never pass through hostile plots and blockades can only prohibit trade. |
| The AI doe | s not use blockades to enable trade. | |
| | th a friendly unit can be worked despite being isabled again. It's a bit more sensible but too o bother. | Blockade prevents tiles from being worked despite the presence of units protecting the tile. Those units will have to engage the blockading unit to make the tile workable. |
| Rationale | | vers important maritime trade connections ies or with some third party. This should not iority. |
| | Would be too much work to get the A | I to use blockades this way. |
| | How do you operate, say, a winery in argue that wine remains available from enemy has had an opportunity to pilla Would be nice to have the option of building, but I worry that resources we causing (human) trades to be cancel | plocking a resource for several turns without would get disrupted too frequently for just one turn, |
| | (route, fort or city) can only be part of e network, if that structure is revealed | If the tile is owned by another civ, then not even the tile needs to be revealed in order to carry trade. Otherwise, it's sufficient if the tile is revealed, even if the tile is fogged and no structure existed the last time that it was visible. (Structures on unowned tiles are unusual though, so this isn't really a problem in BtS.) |
| Rationale | Consistent with the (AdvCiv) rule that trade only works along revealed tiles and can only be conducted with revealed cities. | |
| See also | Somewhat important for <u>004z</u> , which lets the trade layer show trade connections on unowned tiles. Don't want the Trade layer to give away structures hidden in the Fog of War. | |
| | 001i fixes other issues with routes in | |
| Tiles workable by a civ which doesn't own any cities on the tile's landmass can be connected to adjacent water tiles through a route. This means, a resource on an island within the workable doesn't matter for trade connections. A connection between land and water requires a river, city or fort. This means, an offshore resource that is workable | | |

| radius of a (mainland) city doesn't require a fort in order to be connected. | | mainland city can (unless there is a river on the island) either be worked for its maximal yield (no fort) or be connected to the trade network (fort) – but not both. |
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| Rationale | This keeps confusing players, see e.g. this thread on CFC. My change doesn't remove the confusion in situations when a tile is owned by the player but not workable. So perhaps my rule should be changed from "workable" to "owned." That said, I think requiring a Fort (or city) as a sort of cargo terminal is sensible and quite flavorful. As it is, I'm really only removing the awkward choice between connecting the resource and exploiting its improvement yields. | |
| | The no-cities clause wasn't added until v0.96. At first (v0.95), I thought I wouldn't need to make this a special rule for islands. However, allowing all workable tiles to be connected to water through a route meant that no coastal city/ fort was required for a long-distance coastal trade connection in the early game and that a single route sufficed for connecting any coastal resource. | |
| See also | 040: The AI transports Workers to workable tiles on other landmasses. Other mods have addressed this problem as well, Realism Invictus at least, though I don't remember how exactly. | |

| 125 | Culture from trade routes disabled | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Trade routes generate only raw commerce. Trade routes only generate culture if the city tile already- has some culture (more than 0 points) of the trade partner. (Decided to disable it entirely instead.) | | Trade routes generate foreign tile culture in addition to raw commerce. |
| Rationale | The only real upside of trade culture is flavor, and I don't think this justifies the added complexity. The confusing part is that trade culture could also be added to city culture (but it isn't). Tile culture from faraway trade partners may be a disadvantage in local border disputes; difficult to say. Unimportant culture in plot help text is another problem. Very small percentages are shown, but this means plot culture sums up to just, say, 97% sometimes, which is confusing. (99% is OK – everyone's used to that.) Another issue: The Nationality bar on the city screen can show only culture of up to four different civs, and this can't be changed within the SDK. | |
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| Config | USE_KMOD_TRADE_CULTURE in GlobalDefines_advc | |

| 126 | Changes to the later-era start option | |
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| See also | 138 changes the religion assignment when starting in a later era 307 makes Machine Gun ineligible as a free starting unit (because it can't stop Barbarians from pillaging). 314 allows tribal villages when starting in the Medieval era. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| (except Fut grants free | free tech for each era after Ancient ture) to each difficulty setting that technology to the AI. These free only granted when starting in the era. | When starting in a later era, every civ receives at least all Ancient techs. Neither human nor Al receive free techs beyond those. |
| | ne human player receives additional on Chieftain and Settler. | |
| the new fre Mathematic | to Chieftain and Monarch to Immortal, se techs are cs, Machinery, Printing Press, er and Plastics. | |
| receive Ironworking | to those, AI Deity and human Settler g (only AI), Alphabet (only human), Gunpowder, Steel and Refrigeration. | |
| AI, more units are granted when starting in a later era: another defensive unit for each era beyond Ancient, another Worker for every 2 eras on the start era, e.g. Riflemen as defensive | | Every civ receives additional free units in later eras. Al civs also receive free units granted by the difficulty setting. All free units are chosen based on the start era, e.g. Riflemen as defensive units when starting in the Industrial era. |
| Rationale | Games starting in later eras tend to be much easier to win than normal games, surely in no small part, because the AI doesn't get a proper head start. No tech advantage, and the extra free units are relatively few compared with the total number of free units, which may even allow a human player to conquer a high-level AI right away. | |
| Config | The free tech is configured in Civ4H | andicapInfo.xml. |
| See also | 301 prevents Barbarians from using Copper and Horse until these resources are connected by some city. This used to be a problem with Classical starts – Barbarians would have Axemen and Horse Archers right away, whereas the (AI) civs needed some 50 turns to establish access to Copper or Horse. | |
| Tbd. | The free techs aren't carefully chosen. At some point, I want to change the era of some techs; can reconsider the freebies after that. | |
| | Later-era starts probably still have balance issues that make them too easy or too difficult to win; I've never even finished a test game starting in a later era. Would be nice to make at least Classical and Medieval starts playable; these aren't <i>that</i> different from normal games, but could be different enough to be refreshing. | |
| - | The point and XP thresholds for Great People (GP) are not affected by the start era. When starting in Renaissance, the GP thresh are decreased by 10%, by 20% for Industrial, 30% Modern and 40% Future. | |
| Rationale | The initial GP threshold is much lower when starting in Renaissance (namely 100) than when a normal game reaches that era, and, with the two initial cities with two population each, free Forges and Mercantilism, civs can and will immediately breed Engineers. This is pretty strange, so I was going to increase the initial GP thresholds | |

| | for Renaissance and later starts. However, when starting in Renaissance, it takes way too long to discover essential Renaissance techs like Astronomy, and easy access to Great People can mitigate this problem. Now I'm simply using the standard thresholds as a compromise. | |
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| Config | Civ4EraInfos.xml | |
| See also | | onders available in later start eras. wn of Civilization mod pretend that a certain |
| | number of GP have already been bor | |
| Free buildir | ngs per start era: | When starting in the Medieval era or later, all cities founded throughout the game receive some free buildings. |
| Renaissand Industrial: A Modern: Co | Granary, Walls ce: Market, Library Aqueduct, Forge ourthouse, Grocer ctory, Recycling Center | Medieval: Granary, Lighthouse (if coastal) Renaissance: Aqueduct, Forge Industrial: Market, Harbor (if coastal) Modern: Library, Courthouse, Jail Future: Factory |
| Rationale | rush tactics seem too potent in BtS. Fobsolete but still raise city defense. N | d per era. Walls kind of spoil the fun, but Medieval Free Walls in the Industrial era are immediately To more room then for the coastal buildings. I also tobscure extra incentive (an additional free |
| Library instead of Forge in Renaissance should help jump-start researc through Great Scientists. Aqueduct should stick with Forge as it helps a health penalty. | | |
| | I suspect Jail was added in the Modern era because espionage was the big novelty when the later-era start option was implemented. | |
| Config | Civ4BuildingInfos.xml; to disable Walls (and Dunn) in the Industrial era, set their MaxStartEra to ERA_RENAISSANCE. | |
| Tbd. | Test this to see if the tech cost modifiers based on start era need to be adjusted. | |
| Decreased | the start turn for Medieval and Renais | sance start a little. |
| Rationale | Should match the tech pace better (c | r less badly). |
| Config | Civ4EraInfos.xml | |
| reduced wh later. For ex halves the | el thresholds (except "Fledgling") are nen starting in the Medieval era or xample, starting in the Modern era culture level thresholds. | The start era does not affect culture level thresholds. There was an unused tag iCulture in Civ4EraInfos.xml that may have been intended as a multiplier for culture level thresholds. Another unused iCulture tag, in Civ4GameSpeedInfos.xml, remains unused (but that one is arguably superseded by Civ4CultureLevelInfos.xml). |
| The victory screen shows how much culture is needed for victory. The victory screen only says that "Legend culture is needed." | | The victory screen only says that "Legendary" culture is needed. |
| Config | Civ4EraInfos.xml; I'm using the iCulture tag. | |
| Rationale | To make Culture victory viable regardless of the start era. To this end, it would be | |

| | enough to change the "Legendary" threshold, but might as well change the others too for a smooth progression. Don't change the first threshold ("Fledgling") unnecessarily though; players know that one by heart. |
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| | Space victory arguably comes too early when starting in the Modern or Future era. This can't really be fixed; players arguably should disable Space victory. Looking at it this way, lowering the threshold for Culture victory may mean that players will also want to disable Culture victory; inconvenient. That said, I don't want to base the culture level adjustment on the assumption that Space victory will be disabled. |
| Tbd. | I've no idea if halving the Legendary threshold is enough to make a Modern-start Culture victory viable. I haven't tested (Al Auto Play) any of the values so far. |
| See also | 251 adjusts the culture level thresholds to the game difficulty level. |

| 127 | Changes to Al Auto Play | |
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| Tbd. | Options One City Challenge and Always War should apply while in Auto Play. Lots of isOption (GAMEOPTION) &&isHuman() checks to be replaced with new functions like CvPlayer::isOneCityChallenge and CvPlayer::isAlwaysWar that check isHuman() isHumanDisabled(). | |
| See also | devolution has added benchmarking | g functionality to Al Auto Play. |
| AdvCiv | | Al Auto Play mod |
| While Auto Play is enabled, the proxy AI civs (i.e. originally human-controlled) adopt the AI handicap. | | Auto Play doesn't affect player handicaps; however, proxy AI civs do benefit from AI bonuses defined by the game handicap. |
| E.g. in a singleplayer game on Emperor difficulty, the human civ normally incurs 100% inflation, and the AI civs 90% times 80% = 72%. The 90% comes from the AI handicap (Noble), and the 80% from the AI adjustment of the game handicap (Emperor). On Auto Play, the proxy AI civ also incurs 72% inflation. | | In the example, the proxy AI civ incurs 100% times 80% = 80% inflation. Both factors come from Emperor. |
| Rationale | For simulating all-Al games, proxy Al civs should play by the exact same rules as the normal Al civs. Al Auto Play could also be used for fast-forwarding a normal singleplayer game e.g. when a human victory looks inevitable. In this case, the human Al civ should play by the same rules as a normal human. That's not what the original Al Auto Play does (see example above), and implementing it like that actually looks difficult. For development purposes, it's far more useful to treat proxy Al civs like normal Al civs. | |
| | This change makes it unnecessary to take the human AI civ out of the game (e.g. by surrounding it with Ice) when running a "Battle Royale"-style AI tournament. | |
| Tbd. | Should scenarios with unequal AI handicap settings (e.g. Earth1000AD) be exempt from this change? E.g. the default handicap of France is Chieftain. If a player plays as France, sets the game difficulty to Emperor and starts AI Auto Play, what should the AI handicap be? Currently, it's the average of the other AI handicaps: Prince. I don't think the difficulty from the scenario is accessible from the DLL if the player configures a different one on the Custom Game screen. | |

| "Workers lea | ave improvements/ forests". (Probably Mod 1.45, but I'm keeping my fix to be on | Proxy AI civs don't replace improvements and don't chop Forests if the respective options are set. |
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| | opups (from the "minimize-popups" killed when Auto Play starts. | Minimized popups can remain on the screen for some time. |
| Reminders (Play. | (Alt+M) are not shown while in Auto | Reminder messages and popups scheduled before starting Auto Play appear during Auto Play. |
| Rationale | Probably just things jdog hadn't thou | ught of. |
| normally at t means, the | nds at the end of a round, i.e. the end of a Barbarian turn. That human civ is treated as an Al civ | Auto Play ends at the end of a proxy-Al turn. During the subsequent round of Al turns, the human civ is already treated as human. |
| diplo messa | Iturns. In particular, they can't send ages to the human civ, so there can't bups when human control resumes. | If the human civ is not in slot 0, e.g. in a scenario, it is also already treated as human during the Alturns in lower slots. |
| Rationale | It's counterintuitive that e.g. running human turn but not the AI turns. | Auto Play for a single turn only skips over the |
| | Diplo messages upon resuming are problematic because they force the human playe to make decisions. Makes it impossible to simulate an all-AI game in chunks of e.g. 5 turns without any human influence. More generally, running Auto Play in multiple shor chunks produces markedly different results than a single long run; not good. | |
| | Caveat: While there can't be diplo popups anymore right after Auto Play ends, popure are unusually frequent on the next turn. This is because the last-contacted timers the AI civs keep decreasing during Auto Play. Put differently: The AI has much to syou haven't spoken in a while. | |
| For a fair all-AI game on Noble or Prince difficulty, it should now suffice to active Auto Play on turn 0; for other difficulties, the WorldBuilder is needed for giving human cive the same initial freebies as the AI civs. Could automate this (special treatment for Auto Play on turn 0), but it seems not quite worth the effort. | | lties, the WorldBuilder is needed for giving the as the AI civs. Could automate this (special |
| Config | A Python change (AIAutoPlay.py) | |
| Tbd. | The player can still be forced to make a proposal or vote on one right after Auto Play ends. | |
| The AI attitude cache is updated when AI Auto Play starts and ends. | | |
| Rationale | Some of the "first impression" relations modifiers don't apply to humans (i.e. they do and should apply during AI Auto Play). | |
| See also | The AI attitude cache will still be out of date when a savegame is loaded that was created during AI Auto Play. Changes to the Show Hidden Attitude mod will then update (parts of) the cache as soon as a relations modifier is displayed by the UI. This means, the whole cache can be manually updated by entering the Glance tab of the Foreign Advisor screen (all the hover text is precomputed upon entering, so there's no need to hover over anything to trigger the update). | |
| Spectator m | node | |

human player receives messages about the following major events regardless of whether the the player's civ. civs and cities mentioned in the messages are known to the player's civ: war/peace, Defensive Pact or Permanent Alliance signed, vassal agreement started/ended, city conquered/razed. city culture-flipped, city or colony liberated. wonder completed, Golden Age started/ended, religion founded, state religion changed, resolution of the Apostolic Palace or UN passed, Legendary culture reached, nuke launched/intercepted.

When both in Al Auto Play and Debug mode, the Messages are displayed as if the player was in control, i.e. based on the information available to

The messages are shown in the usual colors and weren't cleared until Auto Play ended. No can be located on the map once Auto Play ends indicator bubbles in K-Mod (good), but colors and by clicking on them in the Event Log.

I think the original Auto Play mod delivered messages as if the human player was in control, including indicator bubbles on the map that location info were also removed.

Rationale Civics changes (except Free Religion) and random events aren't reported because they occur too frequently. It would be nice if messages did not refer to the player's civ as "you" (e.g. "You declared war on Alexander!"), but it's too much work to change this. Sadly, one can't use the Event Log to jump to locations that aren't revealed to the active player. The EXE checks is Revealed with bDebug=false before moving the camera, without calling any DLL code beforehand. (CvDLLWidgetData:: doGotoTurnEvent isn't it either). See also 104v shows messages about AI war plans when in Spectator mode. 007b requires Debug mode for some debug/ cheat key combinations. This should allow players to keep cheats ("chipotle") permanently enabled without using them by accident. Tbd. Also show messages about diplo resolutions that don't pass? Known issue: CvRandomEventInterface.py calls CvInterface::addMessage directly, which means that the code in CVDLLInterfaceIFaceBase:: addHumanMessage for suppressing info messages during Auto Play has no effect on messages generated by random events. Would have to expose addHumanMessage to Python to fix this, but that's a bit laborious because of all the non-primitive call parameters.

| Can use AI Auto Play in multiplayer by setting ENABLE_AUTOPLAY_MULTIPLAYER to 1 in GlobalDefines_devel.xml. All players become automated and de-automated at once. | | Multiplayer is supposed to be supported in the final version (2.0, which is, as far as I can tell, the version included in K-Mod): "AlAutoPlay is now multiplayer compatible []: it will apply to all players, not just the one who activates it." (source) |
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| | | This final addition probably wasn't tested much; due to what looks like a bug, only one player gets automated at a time, and only one can be returned to human control. |
| | | Moreover, K-Mod 1.30 made this change: "Autoplay and change player functionality is now only available in cheat mode." However, cheat mode ("chipotle") isn't recognized in multiplayer games. |
| See also | 135c allows Debug mode and World | Builder in multiplayer. |
| Tbd. | Would like to disable AI Auto Play in singleplayer mode when playing with the "Lock Modified Assets" option because AI Auto Play can work as a cheat in difficulties below Noble. However, if it's disabled through <code>BugEventManager.py</code> , AI Auto Play will remain disabled after exiting to the main menu and creating a new game without "Lock Modified Assets". So I'd have to disable it somehow in the AI Auto Play component itself. | |
| Start and en | nd of Auto Play are recorded in replay | S. |
| See also | Relevant mostly for R&F | |
| | Civ4lerts are not updated during Auto Play and no alert messages are displayed right after Auto Play ends. Al civs don't have attached Civ4lerts, but when human civ comes under Al control during Auto Play, its Civ4lerts keep getting updated. When Auto Play ends, alerts are displayed based on the differences between the current game state and that on the last turn under Al control. | |
| Rationale | The updates during Auto Play are a waste of CPU time. And the game state after Auto Play ends can be completely different from the game state before Auto Play started; alerts shouldn't try to communicate that difference. | |
| See also | 106c prevents alerts from being shown right after loading a savegame. | |
| Tbd. | I've added an is-AutoPlay check to every onEvent function in the two Civ4lert scripts. The cleaner (and faster) approach would be to unsubscribe the Civ4lert objects from being notified of game events when Auto Play starts and to re-register them when Auto Play ends. (It's an Observer design pattern.) My Python skills aren't quite up to this task. | |
| | (The alerts added by <u>210</u> are disable AdvCiv4lerts class.) | ed during Auto Play in a clean manner through the |

| 127b | Store location info (iFlashx, iFlashy) for most announcements |
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When the player clicks on an announcement in the Event Log, the camera will normally focus on in a particular tile don't get associated with any a tile that has something to do with the respective tile on the map. Clicking on such an event:

Anarchy, Golden Age begun/ ended, project completed, civic/ religion change, circumnavigation: Jump to the capital of the affected civ.

DoW, war trade alert: Jump to the capital of the civ that started the war (unless it's the active player) or has become willing to start a war.

Peace made, PA, DP, vassal agreement signed/ broken: Jump to the capital of the civ that has initiated the treaty/ cancelation. (One might as well jump to the other capital: this is pretty arbitrary.)

Colony liberated: Jump to the location of the new capital.

Diplo vote: Jump to the location of the vote source (AP or UN); when a resolution passes, also show an indicator bubble on the map.

Announcements about events that don't happen announcement in the Event Log has no effect.

Apart from the click-to-jump behavior, announcements with an associated tile will highlight that tile with a flashing dot on the minimap (no change in AdvCiv).

Rationale

No harm in allowing these camera jumps via the Event Log. (The flashing dot doesn't amount to a distraction.) Mostly helpful for following Auto Play games, in order to jump back and forth on the map as wars are declared, ended etc.

Indicator bubble for passed resolutions: "This is the city you need to conquer in order to stop such resolutions in the future."

| 128 | Al cheats less obviously with visibility | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| unless those | an't target units on invisible tiles e units are within a randomized the search range around the AI unit. | The Unit AI treats all tiles within a unit's search range as visible. |
| | ole tiles (e.g. visible by a different Al targeted within the whole search aange. | |
| Rationale | , | very obvious when AI ships pursue human . (The search range is a multiple of the number of its of movement points.) |
| | | ecause this would leave the AI completely unable patrols could search for enemy cargo ships |
| | | finds targets on invisible tiles, and sometimes be human guessing and deduction, which also isn't |

When checking for possible enemy attacks (plot danger functions), the AI treats enemies in tiles that are not currently visible as if they were visible with a probability of 50%. This is implemented through a hash value salted with the game turn number, meaning that the outcome doesn't change if the plot danger functions are called several times for the same tile on the same turn.

Plot danger is usually only checked within a 2-tile range, so most of the tiles are visible, but this isn't enforced.

When plot danger is checked for human units (e.g. to wake up a threatened Worker), only visible threats are considered (no cheating).

E.g. if a human Worker builds a road on neutral territory, an approaching Wolf or Panther will cause the game to interrupt the Worker, even if the animal is still 2 tiles away and out of sight.

| visible tillea | is are considered (no cheating). | |
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| Rationale | Same as above. | |
| See also | 001k fixes a bug in the plot danger for 001i prevents the plot danger function war. | unctions. Ins from taking into account roads in the fog of |
| When checking if human units are in danger, the path finder is used for greater accuracy. This mostly (only?) applies to Workers getting is a threat, the air distance is compared with the movement points. If the unit is standing on a roor railroad, its movement points are treated as greater. Terrain and whether the route connects to the target isn't checked, so false positives caleasily occur. | | |
| | During the first two eras, the AI also uses the path finder but only when the potential threat is a numan unit. Will not notice possible attacks by units with terrain movement bonuses (e.g. Woodsman II promotion). | |
| Credits | Leoreth brought up the issue of false | positives <u>here</u> on CFC. |
| Rationale | See the link above. I'd like to use the path finder always, but, at longer distances, this could give away information about fogged or unrevealed tiles along the way, and the plot danger functions are called very frequently by AI code. In profiler runs, using the path finder for the AI (when the air distance is 3 or less) added something like 5% to the total runtime, which is clearly not worth it. The pinpoint change to address early attacks by human Woodsman units on AI Workers isn't going to affect performance. | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps increase the 3-tile limit to 4. | |

| 129 | Changes to resource and feature placement during map generation | |
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| See also | 021b prevents Fur from being placed on hills and allows Banana, Sugar and Ivory on Plains Jungle. tsl makes some changes to the Fractal landmass generator. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| of eligible til placed abur maps with lo resources o | copies of resources that have a lot es, and thus would normally be idantly. E.g. a bit less seafood on ots of coastline, and sparser verall on Huge maps (but still far I than on Large maps). | The number of copies of a given resource is proportional to the number of tiles where the resource could be placed. |

| Rationale | Make unusual maps a little less unusual and more playable. | |
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| Config | SUBLINEAR_BONUS_QUANTITIES in GlobalDefines_advc | |
| resources of | a kind adjacent to each other, in en placing a cluster of resources on | It seems that a cluster can theoretically fill an entire 3x3 square. The number of copies to be placed on the map in total puts a cap on this, but not on large maps. |
| and Gems. C kept at least a city's radius the city to wo Can certainly Gems within | Clusters of these resources are now 4 tiles apart. Can still overlap within s, but not in a way that would allow ork every resource. y still get more than 1 Gold/ Silver/a city's radius, but 3 or more are | Nothing to ensure that clusters are placed apart. The map generator can produce large clusters of precious metals/stones that make for very powerful (starting) city plots. 5 such resources aren't that uncommon. |
| | be fixed when assigning starting plo | ems or Gold tend to be overpowered. Could also ts or during normalization; however, the cluster dly with map size, so it needed work anyway. |
| | | atures from precious resources when normalizing rting locations overall, and increases the value valuating starting locations. |
| | sources can only be placed at a least 9°. Sheep: 25° | No lower bound for Horse and Cow. Pig had required at least 10°, Sheep 30°. |
| | Rationale To account for the tsetse fly. That only affects Africa, but there also aren't a lot of larm animals in equatorial Brazil, Malaysia and Indonesia (though there probably some regions there with plenty of water buffalo or pigs). 9 or 10° makes a differen on Standard-size maps (at least on Fractal). 9° only excludes livestock from 4 ma rows, 10° from 6 map rows. | |
| | Sheep are commonly kept in southe strict. | rn Iran and northern India, so 30° is a bit too |
| Tbd. | Equatorial "jungle" (rainforest) is still | far more productive than it should be. |
| Horses can babove) to 68° | pe placed at a latitude of 9° (see °. | 0-90° |
| | | he world's "nothernmost Equine veterinarian". I also aren't kept farther north than that. |
| | The restriction won't matter much as | s there isn't much Tundra beyond 68° latitude. |
| Map scripts try to place at least 0.88 Silver resources per player, and only 0.78 Gold resources. | | |
| unforested P can appear o | pear on Snow, Desert and lains, river possible, whereas Silver on forested Grassland and on Tundra f Forest, but not along rivers. | Gold only on Desert and unforested Plains, and Silver on Snow and unforested Tundra. Both can appear next to rivers. |
| | ech value so that Bronze Working is nen starting next to a Silver Forest. | |

| Rationale | | nout most of history. More importantly, Gold is should improve the game balance a bit. | |
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| | restricting Silver to extreme latitudes should really appear on just the sammake Gold and Silver more distinct. distinction more historically informed | rassland to make it more common. Also, is, as far as I can tell, completely unrealistic; e tiles as Gold. The intention was probably to I'm trying to keep them distinct but make the . The most famous gold rushes happened in the "on the banks of Sacramento," as a shanty says. | |
| | Silver can't be or isn't commonly panned from rivers. The densely forested Central European mountain ranges have seen silver rushes in the Early Modern era (Berggeschrey). Grassland Forest also fits with Colorado and British Columbia. Indeed, silver mining might be more reliant on charcoal for refinement than gold mining. | | |
| | Ancient Egyptian gold deposits and s | silver in Attica and Baetica also fit. | |
| | Gems can only appear on Jungle Grassland (though the Jungle can get cleared near a starting plot); thus distinct from Silver. | | |
| Credits | Inspired by Civ 4 Reimagined <u>1.2</u> , w | nich also makes Silver more common than Gold. | |
| See also | The <u>BASE mod</u> also allows (my translation) "Gold in cold areas and Silver in warm areas" – though I didn't get the idea from there. | | |
| | rom3 enforces terrain restrictions also when Mines make random discoveries. As Mines remove Forest and Jungle, feature requirements are not enforced. | | |
| probability of decreases ex already place | g a cluster of resources, the f placing an additional resource xponentially with each resource ed. The potential target plots are a randomized order. | The targets are processed in clockwise order, and each one gets the same probability (25 or 50%, depending on the resource) until the upper limit is reached. | |
| Rationale | Make large clusters less likely, especially on maps that have large areas of uniform terrain because such areas are especially likely to receive large resource clusters (e.g. lvory in a large area of Plains). | | |
| 129b | No flood plains on river bends | | |
| orthogonally are only diag | • • | Also on river bends and tiles diagonally adjacent to a river mouth. | |
| This change also <u>Perfectl</u> | affects all standard map scripts and Mongoose. | | |

| Rationale | soil becomes fertile when irrigated. Tappearance probability of the Flood river-side rule better because, graph to see and bending rivers are the one Plains within a city radius in BtS. I've diagonally adjacent to river mouths a But this really isn't a good way to de | rn't play well, and, in reality, not every flat desert This could be addressed by reducing the Plains feature from 100% to, say, 67%. I like the ically, Flood Plains on river bends can be difficult es that produce the highest number of Flood thought about an exception to allow Flood Plains as the flood plain is usually widest at the mouth: pict a river delta; should use distributaries instead. diagonal to the river mouth leaves room for a city the river mouth. |
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| Tbd. | Shorten the Flood Plains texture so that it doesn't get so close to the tile corners. Currently, Deserts on river corners look (almost?) the same as in BtS, so it's easy to forget that corner tiles no longer receive Flood Plains. | |
| | Would be nice if the Fractal map generator would sometimes create distributaries at a river mouth. I think, currently, this can happen but is very rare. | |
| Config | Civ4TerrainInfos.xml | |
| AdvCiv/ BtS | Unofficial Patch | |
| Flood Plains other terrain | Founding a city on a Flood Plains causes the Flood Plains to be removed forever (just as any other terrain feature). If the city is razed, an empty Desert tile remains. Founding a city still removes all features, but when a city is razed, a Flood Plains is placed the city tile if a Flood Plains can be placed the Comment by jdog in CvCity.cpp: "replace floodplains after city is removed" | |
| Config | Can enable the code from the Unoffi | cial Patch through GlobalDefines_advc.xml. |
| Rationale | Don't want to encourage players to raze cities that were founded on Flood Plains just so that the Flood Plains can be worked. Tedious micromanagement. In scenarios, the Unofficial Patch may "re"place Flood Plains where none have ever existed. And players may get the impression that Flood Plains aren't removed in the first place and get confused about why founding on a Flood Plains doesn't yield extra food in the city tile. The disappearance of a Flood Plains also isn't necessarily more implausible than the disappearance of other terrain features: The citizens may well have engineered the river or degraded the soil so that it's no longer arable. | |

| 130 | Changes to AI diplo modifiers (<u>DDiplo</u>) | |
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| | 112: vassal agreements (especially voluntary ones, whereas 130v and 130d focus on capitulated vassals) 141: No diplo effect from gifted GP | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| 130a | Sustained peace | |
| civ is met. The turns needed per relations bonus | | Years of peace are counted from the beginning of the game. The relations bonus is one for every 60 turns (and at most 2). |

| Rationale | Being ignorant of each other's existence shouldn't "strengthen relations," and civs that have just met shouldn't have strengthened relations. That said, don't want to make it too difficult for civs that start isolated to find partners on other continents. The decreasing threshold should also help keeping "years of peace" relevant after war in the late game – when the game may end in 100 turns, it's almost irrelevant whether relations are going to improve 60 turns from now. | |
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| 130b | Personality-based modifiers | |
| respect to 75 | nt reduced to 45% and warmonger 5%, resulting in diplo from peace | Diplo modifier from peace weight between -6 and +4, warmonger respect between 0 and 2. |
| weight between -2.7 and 1.8, warmonger respect between 0 and 1.5 and their rounded sum between -3 and 3. To this sum, a modifier from handicap is added (see 148) and a base modifier (e.g. Gandhi +2, Tokugawa -1; no change). | | (The peace weight of an AI leader is apparently a measure of that leader's love of peace. It's partly randomized at game start. Leaders with similar peace weight like each other, and leaders with dissimilar peace weight dislike each other. |
| onango). | | Warmonger respect says whether a leader is considered to be a warmonger, and warmongers like each other.) |
| Rationale | I think these modifiers are intended to prevent warlike leaders from fighting inconclusive wars among each other while the peaceable leaders get ahead economically. Fair enough, but it's overdosed, sometimes leading to practically inseparable bonds between peaceful civs. The excessive modifiers make diplomacy overall too predictable from the beginning. | |
| Tbd. | When there is a large majority of either warlike or peaceable AI leaders in a game, the small minority doesn't stand much of a chance. Can easily happen when AI leaders are chosen at random. It's less of a problem with the change above, but I'm still considering to adjust the hidden modifiers based on which leaders are in the game. Could adjust the modifiers versus all AI leaders that are too popular or too unpopular overall. Don't want every game to have perfectly balanced diplo though | |
| | Another problem: Don't want the modifier to give away info about the leaders that the player hasn't yet met. If only met civs are taken into account, the first impression modifier may change upon meeting a civ. But "a first impression is a lasting one" suggests that the modifier doesn't ever change. | |
| | Could I bias the random leader sele | ection instead? |

| 130c | Rank-based modifiers | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The AI dislikes civs that are ranked higher on the leader board but not those ranked far higher. | | Civs on the bottom dislike those on top; the greater the rank difference, the greater the hate. The second doesn't dislike the first, but the last does. |
| No rank-based modifiers in the first game era. | | Modifiers change a lot in the Ancient era because ranks change a lot. |
| The AI assumes that civs not yet encountered are ranked on the very bottom (or top) of the leaderboard; i.e. these civs don't affect relations. | | The AI magically knows the ranks of unknown civs. Humans can sometimes use inter-AI diplo values to deduce the ranks of unknown civs. |
| · | | +1 until the player reaches rank 3, then 0, and -1 when the player takes rank 1. I suspect that the |

| game. Al Pe until overtak all his rivals Peter's modi +1, changes 5, to -1 wher player reach | initial +1 is due to a bug and should be +2 until the player. Let's say he meets during the Ancient era. If |
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| Rationale | Presumably, a (slight) tendency of the AI to gang up on the leader of the field was intended. Not unreasonable, but it doesn't work: Civs that are far behind can't do much to impede the leading civs. They just hurt themselves by sulking. |
| | It's not necessarily wise for civs in the lower half to stick together either. Cooperation is just one way to improve, war another. |
| Tbd. | Should be based on score ratio instead of rank difference. |
| | ower half of the leaderboard no longer have +1 relations with each other. However, ers still grant a relations bonus to civs ranked beneath them (no change). |
| Rationale | It's not necessarily wise for civs in the lower half to stick together either. Cooperation is just one way to improve, war another. |
| Tbd. | Perhaps peaceful leaders should grant the bonus after all (as proposed by CFC user Inthegrave here). Though not in the Ancient era, and will have to be careful not to give away the ranks of unmet players. |
| | es civs that are ahead of him and at are behind him, just like all the s. Willem is the only leader that dislikes civs that are behind him, and likes those that are ahead. |
| Rationale | Probably a mix-up by the BtS developers. |
| civ is already Conversely, | Al victory strategies were introduced by BBAI; at stage 3 or 4 of a victory strategy. Al civs at stage 3 or 4 of a victory assign a diplo penalty to civs at each of a victory assign a diplo penalty to civs at each of a victory strategies were introduced by BBAI; the diplo modifier is only based on rank. |
| Rationale | In the endgame, score and rank become unreliable measures of how well a civ is doing. |

| Rank player vs. Peter | 7-4 | 6-4 | 5-4 | 4-5 | 3-5 | 2-5 | 1-5 |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Modifier AdvCiv | +1 | +1 | 0 | -1 | -2 | -1 | 0 |
| Modifier BtS intended(?) | +2 | +1 | +1 | +1 | 0 | -1 | -1 |
| Modifier BtS bugged(?) | +1 | +1 | +1 | +1 | 0 | 0 | -1 |

Example 130c

| 130d | A master can't be its own vassal's worst enemy, and capitulated vassals can't be anyone's worst enemy. Can't ask civs in a vassal-master relationship to stop trading with each other. | | |
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| Rationale | Most of the consequences of worst-enmity don't apply to the master anyway, in particular, the vassal will always trade with the master. That means, a vassal with its master as worst enemy effectively has no worst enemy at all. Perhaps OK, but certainly don't want a vassal to promote trade embargoes against its master. | | |
| | <u>UWAI</u> ignores relations with capitulated vassals; to be consistent with this, capitulated vassals should not be worst enemies. Capitulated civs are already marginalized; their enemies should be content with this. | | |
| 130e | Worst enemy updated upon relations change | | |
| AdvCiv | 1 | BtS | |
| Whenever the relations value of an AI civ changes, that civ's worst enemy is immediately updated. | | Worst enemy is only updated at the end of an AI team's turn, i.e. never during a human turn. Attitude is updated immediately though, so, e.g. after making peace with a human civ, if the AI attitude changes from Annoyed to Pleased, the AI will still consider the human its worst enemy for the rest of the human turn. | |
| Rationale | Attitude and worst enmity should be | consistent during human turns. | |

| 130f | Trade embargo changes | |
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| See also | 130m: Al requests an embargo when at war and too Annoyed to ask for military aid. 001q fixes a bug in the computation of the price charged for an embargo. 001e fixes a bug that causes the Al to make a stop-trading demand against a civ that has just stopped being its worst enemy. 104o uses the Al embargo trade value as a lower bound for the Al war trade value. | |
| Tbd. | Would be nice to let the Foreign Advisor show the time-to-cancel for deals between other civs. Would have to happen in CvGameTextMgr::getDealString. | |
| | A dozen Al leaders have stricter attitude thresholds for embargoes than for sponsored war (Alexander, Brennus, Hammurabi, Mansa Musa, Mehmed, Peter, Roosevelt, Saladin, Suleiman, Suryavarman, Wang Kon, Zara Yaqob; maybe more when THEM_REFUSE_ATTITUDE is counted as well). E.g. when Mansa Musa is Pleased or Cautious, he can be persuaded to begin a war but says "We don't like you enough" when it comes to embargoes. He likes to trade, and I guess war is seen as a trade in this context (hired for war) and embargo as sth. that severs trade; but of course an embargo is also a kind of trade and a hired war also severs trade These leaders should perhaps be willing to stop trading when willing to go to war, but only for a high price. An alert (see 210) about Al willingness to stop trading would be helpful. | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |

Apart from vassal and peace treaties, a trade embargo cancels all deals, including those recently signed.

Embargo doesn't affect deals with a positive number of turns left to cancel.

The AI refuses to stop trading if it is currently receiving reparations from or paying reparations to the target: "Not right now ... Maybe we'll change our mind in a few years."

Rationale

It's confusing when some deals aren't canceled, especially between AI civs because players can't see which inter-Al deals are recent. This contributes to embargoes being largely irrelevant, and allows players to undercut AI embargo requests by renewing resource trades every 10 turns.

Tbd.

Or rather treat reparations as in BtS?

Can't propose a trade embargo if currently trading with the target. Once enacted, the civ that embargo), the embargo does not affect the civ proposed the embargo is affected by it as well, i.e. the target won't talk to the instigator, though there is no diplo penalty for having "stopped trading with us", only the penalty for negotiating a trade embargo.

Except for the diplo penalty (negotiated a trade that proposes it.

Exception: A master can always tell its capitulated vassals to stop trading; this does not disrupt the trades of the master. Moreover, the capitulated vassal agrees to the embargo without asking for compensation. The master still receives a diplo penalty from the embargo target though ("negotiated a trade embargo").

The vassal asks for compensation.

When a capitulated vassal breaks free or when a If e.g. a master asks its vassal to stop trading civ capitulates, all stopped-trading memory of and about that civ is deleted.

with a rival, the rival continues to not talk to the vassal even if the vassal breaks away.

Rationale

Trading with a civ after negotiating an embargo seems implausibly hypocritical.

The precondition for proposing an embargo (having no current deals with the target) is needed because, otherwise, embargo proposals could be employed to terminate uncancelable trades at will. This would be problematic in the case of per-turn war reparations.

Regarding the exception for capitulated vassals: Colonies being allowed to trade only with the mainland was a common practice in mercantilism. I'm keeping the diplo penalty because I don't want players to routinely enact embargoes after accepting capitulation; that would be a bit tedious.

signed deals, and such deals don't prevent the resolution from being proposed. Exception: The civ that proposes the resolution mustn't have deals with the target that are too recent to be canceled. The other AI civs try to honor their commitments by voting against the resolution if they have deals with the target that couldn't normally be canceled.

Stop-trading resolutions (UN, AP) cancel recently Recently signed deals don't prevent resolutions. but resolutions also don't cancel such deals.

| Rationale | Mostly to prevent human players from gifting 1 gold per turn to an AI in order to block stop-trading resolutions for 10 turns and to prevent human players from proposing a resolution that cancels tribute or reparations. | | | |
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| See also | Consistent with <u>dlph.25</u> : war resolutions overrule peace treaties, but the proposing civ mustn't have a peace treaty. | | | |
| of a peace tr account of a enemy and t | reaty, the AI doesn't refuse on ttitude. Attitude (toward the war coward the target of the embargo) still he trade value that the AI assigns to | Normally refuses: "We don't like you enough" or "we couldn't betray our close friends". | | |
| Rationale | enemies of the winning side, and the | n a war to stop trading e.g. with remaining war losing side should be open to this. Similarly, the asked to change its religion as part of a peace | | |
| See also | Similar issue with war trades as part Similar rationale for <u>132</u> (change civi | | | |
| Tbd. | | rious and at war with the target or when the target ing war. <u>039</u> might have to be adjusted. | | |
| greater trade Exception: tr civ that asks | to stop trading, the AI assigns value to OB while at war. The value not increased when the for the embargo is at war with at the contacted civ is at war with. | OB doubles the trade value of the embargo, regardless of war. | | |
| Rationale | | r. Canceled OB can prevent the AI from reaching lem when the civ who's asking is a war ally. | | |
| Tbd. | implement. But the AI should genera | nent while at war would be too much work to lly be very reluctant (possibly refuse) to sever OB g war. The latter part is problematic because it | | |
| reduced by 2 | Trade value charged by the AI for an embargo is reduced by 25% if Pleased toward the (human) only the attitude toward the embargo target matters. | | | |
| Rationale | stricter), and both attitude values sho | ted overall (now that the preconditions are ould matter. At Annoyed attitude, the AI refuses o point in a cost increase when attitude is low. | | |
| Refuse-to-talk duration after embargo is 18 turns on average. The trade value charged by the AI is proportional to this expected duration (apart from other factors). | | | | |
| | 'You agreed to stop trading with our worst enemy" is remembered for 50 turns on average. | | | |
| Rationale | | nacy is now more dynamic overall. And can let the nable cost now that the duration is shorter. | | |
| See also | 130r makes the embargo target forgo on average. (The BtS AI never forge | et that the player stopped trading after 60 turns ts this.) | | |

| Tbd. | Should perhaps use the same AI memory decay rate for "You agreed to stop trading" as for "You stopped trading." Not sure if 50 or 60 would be the better expected duration though. | | |
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| Config | Civ4LeaderHead.xml; will have to change the values for each of the 52 leaders though. | | |
| turns (no cha | | argo is normally remembered for an average 60 ainst a war enemy is forgotten twice as fast by that | |
| | | I war parties is reduced to 1, meaning that turns after the war ends (on average). | |
| Rationale | To make embargoes more useful and to help reconciliation after a war. Of course players don't want third parties to trade with their war enemies – this shouldn't upset the AI too much. Which is to say, being upset with a third party that agrees to the embargo does make sense. | | |
| also doesn't value toward | vs don't ask for embargoes. The Al ask for an embargo if the relations If the human is the same as toward emy or only one higher. | Typically, if the AI is Furious toward a player, then that player is him-/herself the worst enemy. When the AI is Furious toward multiple teams, and the player is not the worst enemy, then the attitude toward the human doesn't prevent embargo requests. | |
| Rationale | Not trading with other enemies of the And shouldn't keep digging when re | e AI is expected too much when already Furious. lations are already at rock bottom. | |
| | The relations-value clause should p | revent worst-enemy oscillation. | |
| If the AI attitude toward the (human) player that proposes an embargo is strictly greater than the threshold (i.e. Friendly in most cases), the attitude threshold for the embargo target is reduced by 1. However, except for Tokugawa, an AI leader still won't agree to stop trading with a civ that he or she is Pleased with. | | The most common attitude thresholds require that the AI is at least Pleased with the human player and Annoyed or worse with the target of the embargo (else: "we couldn't betray our close friends"). Some AI leaders require Friendly or only Cautious attitude toward the human and are willing to stop trading at Cautious attitude toward the target. Only Tokugawa is willing to stop trading despite being Pleased with the target. | |
| Rationale | | rd the target are a bit strict – when Annoyed, there ay. This change also makes Friendly relations a bit | |
| trading if this | of attitude, the AI refuses to stop s means canceling Open Borders erous civ: "We're afraid of their at." | Military power isn't taken into account. | |
| Rationale | Should make it harder to abuse the | ÅI as a meat shield. | |
| Power ratio i charges for a | is factored into the cost that the Al an embargo. | Only the game turn, number of cities, attitude values and current deals matter. | |
| Rationale Even if a civ is not an immediate threat, an embargo makes a war at a later time more likely. Don't want humans to set a peaceful AI that is getting ahead in tech on a collision course with a militarily more powerful civ through an embargo; or at least not so easily. | | | |

| The number | of civs in the game factors into the e | mbargo trade value. | |
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| Rationale | An embargo is more consequential when there are few civs to trade with. | | |
| Tbd. | Just counting the civs alive is a bit si IllWill::preEvaluate for a start. | | |
| 130g | Relations penalty for rejected demand lifted during war | | |
| turns, and it's | civ has been at war for at least 10 s a war the AI civ started, it forgets demands rejected before the war. | Rebuked demands are remembered for 150 turns on average regardless of war. | |
| civ signs a ve that its dema | ut demands is also erased when a assal agreement. The vassal forgets ands were rejected (but other civs emember demands that the vassal | | |
| Rationale | ionale To make reconciliation after war easier. (Also, tribute demands are perhaps more common with UWAI.) | | |
| | The interpretation is that the rebuke has been avenged through war. (If the war was unsuccessful, then the AI, apparently, had been wrong to make demands.) | | |
| | Erasing the rebuke memory directly upon declaring war could obscure the fact that the rebuke contributed to the DoW; the rebuke wouldn't be visible anymore on the Foreign Advisor screen. Hence the 10 turn delay. | | |
| 130h | War-on-friend penalties | | |
| See also | 130y deals with reduced declared-w | ar-on-us penalties from vassals | |
| civs ignore tl | When assigning war-on-friend penalties, master civ is attacked, the aggressor gets a diplo penalty for declaring war on the their master and the master's other vassals. When a master civ is attacked, the aggressor gets a diplo penalty for declaring war on the master and – if the master likes its vassals – a | | |
| from vassals of the target (no change). vassals resent the attack on their maste each vassal may resent the attack on the | | penalty for attacking the vassals. Similarly, the vassals resent the attack on their master, and each vassal may resent the attack on the other vassals (of the same master). | |
| | No war-on-friend penalty from anyone for attacking a capitulated vassal. Can get a penalty both for the master and its capitulated vassal. | | |
| Rationale | The "You declared war on us!" penal normal relations with a vassal after h | ty suffices. Should make it a bit easier to have nelping it break free. | |
| | War on capitulated vassal: Relations toward a capitulated vassal should basically never matter; see change <u>130v</u> . | | |
| | | about the attacked civ and the attacked civ has war plan "attacked" or "attacked recent"). | |
| Rationale | If the AI is unhappy about a civ under attack, it shouldn't be unhappy about a third civ attacking the aggressor (even if the AI still likes the aggressor). | | |
| Tbd. | Not nice that this depends on information that the player can't see (Al war plan type). The following should help a little (but still): | | |
| | | | |

| lists all AI ci | ation popup for a declaration of war vs that are going to disapprove (if red Defensive Pacts are also listed. | If war is declared through the diplo screen ("Your head would look good") or Alt+Click on the scoreboard, the "Does this mean war" popup appears. When attempting to enter closed borders, the "Entering will trigger war" popup appears along with "You can peacefully enter if you sign an Open Borders Treaty" if OB trading is possible. | |
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| Rationale | The list could be especially helpful in team games because the penalty is based on team-toward-team attitude and I'm not sure that these attitude values are shown anywhere on the UI. | | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps something similar could be done with the raze-city popup when the city is a holy one. Nukes also. | | |

| 130i | Diplo modifier from Open Borders (OB) | | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| the OB coun each time wi This probabi from trade ro | at an Al civ has OB with another civ, iter of the Al is incremented twice, ith the same probability (cf. 130k). Ity is based on the Al civ's profit outes with the other civ and the seness value (cf. 107) between the | The counter just counts the number of turns that the two civ have had OB. | |
| Rationale | It had been too easy to please the AI, and, consequently, there wasn't enough warfare overall. See for example this game report of mine played with v0.87, prior to change 130i. In particular, civs that never had much to do with each other were often unwilling to go to war when they came in closer contact through Galleons or conquest. | | |
| See also | 149 has the same aim. | | |
| Memory about OB decays at a rate of 1.45% when borders are no longer open. | | OB memory never decreases. When borders are closed, the relations bonus is suspended until they are open again. | |
| The OB mer | nory has an upper limit of 60. | The relations bonus is +1 for every 25 turns. Although the bonus is capped at 2, the OB memory keeps increasing after 50 turns with OB. | |
| Rationale | ationale Mostly for consistency: all diplo memory and counters decay (130r, 130k). Regarding the upper limit: otherwise OB that have lasted for, say, 250 turns would never decay to the point of reducing the relations bonus. | | |
| 130 j | Friendly AI more resentful about bad actions, Annoyed AI happier about good actions Changed scale of AI memory | | |

When an action displeases the AI, it adds 1 tocorresponding memory if it's already Annoyed or Furious, 3 if it's Friendly and 2 otherwise. When anaction pleases the AI, it adds 1 if already Friendly, 3 if Annoyed or worse and 2 otherwise.

This results e.g. in -4 relations for a DoW on a Friendly civ, and only -2 if they're Annoyed.

(Disabled the attitude-based logic again.) Memory is increased by 2 in all cases.

The AI stores separate memory about each civ and for each type of action, e.g. DoW or an accepted tribute request. When a diplo action occurs, the respective memory is increased by 1. The current AI attitude has no impact on this. (Although the AI e.g. doesn't make tribute demands at Pleased.)

This faster increase of memory is evened out by 100% faster decay than in BtS for all memory types, and the impact of each remembered action is halved.

Since each action normally corresponds to a memory value of 2, it's unlikely for an action to be completely forgotten after a few turns, or to be remembered fully for a long time.

"You razed our cities/ a holy city" and "You nuked us" work differently; see <u>130q</u>. (But not "You nuked our friend".)

The decay speed depends on the memory type and leader personality. E.g. Alexander remembers accepted tribute for 50 turns on average. That said, he could also forget about it within just 5 turns or still remember it after 115 turns (both ca. 10% probability).

Rationale

To make relations more dynamic. Also more plausible that a civ leader would be more indignant about a DoW by a friend than by an enemy. The decreased randomness is a welcome side effect.

It doesn't make sense to base the diplo penalty for razing and nuking on attitude because these penalties only occur when already at war, and, then, the enemy attitude is usually Annoyed or worse. One could, alternatively, treat raze and nuke like the other diplo actions, but increase their base penalties; however, this would also affect razed cities with culture of nonwar parties (which aren't necessarily Annoyed), and the BtS base penalty of -2.5 is already severe in this case.

I've disabled the core of this change in v0.91 because it's a change that players need to know about, but that actually matters rarely. It can also create a counterintuitive incentive to keep relations below Friendly.

The more fine-grained memory counting remains in place.

See also 130r uses an even finer scale for memory about declared war.

Some randomness added to Al diplo counters

See also

130i deals with the OB counter, and 149 with resource trade.

Counters relevant for diplo increase and decrease probabilistically by either 0, 1 or 2 per turn.

When the condition for increasing a counter is not met, the counter is decreased by 1.7%.

For every civ, the AI keeps track of the number of turns spent in various relationships with that civ: war/peace, shared/opposed religion, shared civics, resource trade, defensive pact, OB, shared war. E.g. the defensive pact counter is increased by 1 on every turn that the two civs have a defensive pact, and decreased by 1 otherwise.

Rationale

While memory decay (130j) is too unpredictable in BtS, the counters are too predictable. E.g. the "years of peace" bonus kicks in after exactly 60 turns.

Exponential decay should make diplo bonuses from counters less sticky.

| counter is ad While an AI o probability is 150% on Epi divisor is the Epic speed); | ljusted to the game speed setting. Civ is in the Ancient era, the divided by the Growth modifier (e.g. c speed); after the Classical era, the Golden Age modifier (e.g. 125% on and, <i>in</i> the Classical era, it's the wth and Golden Age modifier (e.g. | No game speed adjustment. | |
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| | On slower speed, more trades and wars tend to happen throughout the game than on faster speed, but the difference is not that great, so the Golden Age modifier seems like a good compromise. The early game is special because early wars are rare, so the peace and Open Borders counters usually increase monotonously until the Iron Age or so, and at that point, the relations bonuses often make AI leaders unwilling to attack each other on Epic and Marathon speed. Hence the extra slow increase during the first game era. | | |
| See also 130r factors game speed into memory decay. Should contact frequencies also be affected? | | | |

| 130I | Accepting an AI request reduces memory about a past rebuke and vice versa | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| (disabled by | default since v0.85) | |
| civ, memory the same typ denied reque granted requ adds 2 occu | diplo request is approved by another about previously denied requests of pe is reduced by 1. Likewise, a est reduces memory about previously uests. Since each request normally rrences to memory (see 130j), 1 does not always have a visible | |
| change: help civics, join w types do not | g request types are affected by this p, tribute, change religion, change var, stop trading. Requests of differing taffect each other; e.g. granting not erase memory about denied | |
| Rationale | | around, and vice versa. Fairly low-key, I think. uppen often, and only 1 memory is subtracted. |
| | After some testing, I find that I never pay attention to this, and the other mechanisms for more dynamic relations seem sufficient. Disabled in order to make the mod a little less complex. | |
| Config | Can enable this change again throug | h ENABLE_130L in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. |

| 130m | Shared-war diplo bonus based on war success | |
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| AdvCiv | BtS | |

+1 relations for currently sharing a war (no change), more than that only if the one side has had losses in the war (i.e. is at least in some need of assistance) and the other side has also had losses or has inflicted losses on the shared enemy (both count equally). The exact formula is remains for the entire game. It is only suspended complicated; see AI getShareWarAttitude in CVPlayerAI.cpp. The total relations bonus is capped based on leader personality (no change). The shared-war counter also matters for Moreover, the bonus can't go higher than 2 unless the teams have shared a war for at least 8 after at least 40 turns of shared war. turns; another 8 turns are required for every further point.

Success (and losses) in the shared war are remembered by the AI beyond the end of the war but decay by 1.5% per turn (even while the war still lasts). The relations bonus for a remembered shared war is reduced if the AI needs help in a current war but the former ally hasn't joined the war.

The shared-war counter decays by 0.1 per turn (on average) when no war is being shared.

The AI counts the turns spent together at war (shared-war counter), and for every 8 turns. increases relations by 1 up to a limit that depends on the AI leader. This counter never decreases, meaning that the relations bonus while the former war allies are at war with each other.

Permanent Alliances. The AI only agrees to those

Rationale

The everlasting relations bonus was reported as a potential bug for the <u>Unofficial</u> Patch 3.13 but didn't get patched, and I agree that the BtS behavior is probably deliberate. That said, a permanent relations bonus is clearly too big a reward for just staying at war. My change should ensure that you need to fight alongside the AI in (somewhat) good faith in order to get a relations bonus.

I don't think players need to know the specifics of the war success formula; I hope it works pretty intuitively.

No shared war bonus if either war ally is a capitulated vassal.

Shared wars can bring a master and its capitulated vassals closer together.

No defensive pact bonus for capitulated vassals. All vassal agreements are treated as defensive

pacts when it comes to relations bonuses.

Rationale

Capitulated vassals are dragged into war by their masters. They should generally be unhappy about that. At best, the shared war experience can make up for this unhappiness.

Al less likely to ask for military aid if the war is still recent; same frequency overall. If Annoyed toward the player, the AI asks for an embargo instead of joint war. Past wars by the human don't matter.

Al civs on whom a human civ has declared war in the past don't ask that human civ for military aid. but the current attitude isn't an obstacle.

Also less inclined to ask for war against a civ that Can't ask if there's peace treaty, i.e. for 10 turns; the player recently made peace with.

beyond that, recent peace doesn't matter.

Rationale

A joint war is asked too much from a civ that the AI considers to be an adversary. (Or they could ask, but they shouldn't be mad when denied.) Embargo requests should generally be more common when the AI is at war.

If the player has recently been at war with the target, then, apparently, the player is unwilling or unable to defeat the target. Also don't want the AI to drag players into the same war repeatedly.

| is extra effect memory. Of hostile to the | | War success has no impact on the shared-war diplo, no matter where it occurs. |
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| possible to g without even Barbarians in Fighting Bar though, and | count as hostile in this context, i.e. it's jet a "mutual military struggle" bonus a sharing a war, just by fighting nside the other civ's borders. barians elsewhere doesn't help the bonus won't exceed +1 unless as previously a shared war. | |
| | dden identity (i.e. Privateers) also ot if the Privateer belongs to the plot | |
| Rationale | helpful, and not just competing for log Barbarians, I sometimes find that my | the Al's territory, that someone is really being ot; the Al should appreciate that. Regarding say, scouting Chariot could help an Al civ gives me no incentive to do so. The change interesting. |
| player to joir be disastrou letting the pr | a a war when it thinks that this would s for the player. This is checked by oxy AI (see <u>130u</u>) compute the utility. The AI may ask for an | The human position is not considered by the AI. |
| Rationale | | whether a joint war is a bad idea, but the player enalty (help refused) for not being stupid. |

| 130n | Religions that the AI has only recent | y encountered cause a lower diplo penalty |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| No diplo penalty for different religion from AI civs that don't know a single city with that religion. Once they do encounter the religion in a city (from exploration, map trade or because the religion spreads), it takes 8 turns for the diplo penalty to switch on. | | The diplo penalty applies almost fully (up to -3) upon meeting a civ with a different state religion. After 5 turns, it gets 1 worse. |
| | meet their rivals. In BtS, everyone te also lessen religious animosity in the | civs to catch up through tech trade once they nds to be Annoyed toward the newcomer. Should early game, but won't delay it for long. a civ leader instantly hates a religion when |
| | he/she first hears about it. | a of reader instantly nates a religion when |

| Tbd. | I've had a better idea for this: The penalty should be based on the ratio |
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| | min{ known population with the offending religion, known population with the AI religion } / known world population. |
| | Currently, small religions are tolerant but not tolerated. Can then remove the clunky time-based progression (variable ReligionKnownSince). Will need a cache for the above ratio that gets updated at the end of each turn before updating the attitude cache. |
| 130o | Changes to made-demand memory |
| See also | 130v prevents vassals from acceding to tribute demands from rivals. 144: refusal of gift request. |

When a human player declares war on an AI civ (primary DoW; not through DP), and that AI civ remembers having paid tribute to the player, the AI civ and all non-vassal AI civs that it has met set their recent-demand memory about the player to 8, which (due to change 130j) means that they won't consider any requests for help or demands for tribute by the player for (on average, on Normal speed) 80 turns.

The declare-war confirmation popup warns the human player about recent-demand memory

If the AI denies a demand for tribute, the human player does not receive a diplo penalty. Only granted tribute results in "You made an arrogant demand", and this memory decays after 30 turns on average. I.e. the only negative consequence of a denied demand is that the recent-demand memory increases.

Accepting tribute still results in a peace treaty.

When an AI civ declares war (primary DoW) or signs a vassal agreement, it sets all its arrogant-demand memory to 0.

Accepting tribute results in a 10-turn peace treaty. After that, there is no particular penalty for declaring war despite tribute.

"You made an arrogant demand" regardless of whether tribute was granted; never goes away.

| Rationale | The BtS mechanism incentivizes players to demand tribute from civs about 10 turns before attacking them anyway. Not at all how tribute should intuitively work, not how it works when the AI asks tribute from a human player, and not an interesting decision. | | |
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| | Could go about improving this in many ways. My approach is supposed to be low-key and low-effort. I've removed the penalty for failed demands because players need to be able to tell if a civ has actually paid; if it hasn't, it's OK to attack. Moreover, a penalty for a failed demand encourages reloading. | | |
| | Not sure if the penalty (no requests for 80 turns) is painful, but at least it makes it impossible to routinely receive tribute before going to war. | | |
| | Not ideal that the safety period is tied to memory decay, and thus randomized. | | |
| | Wouldn't make sense to apply this change to AI civs that declare war after receiving tribute from humans; AI civs never request or demand anything from each other, so increasing AI-to-AI recent-demand memory would have no effect. | | |
| | An earlier implementation kept the "arrogant demand" penalty for unsuccessful tribute demands, and added a new type of diplo memory ("exacted tribute") to distinguish the two outcomes. | | |
| Config | The 80 turns are customizable in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | | |
| Tbd. | Arrogant demand should be remembered for a non-randomized period of time. Also, 30 turns is too long; try 25. | | |
| | Would be nice to show info/ a reminder about this change on the diplo screen, before or after the player makes a demand; however, the text with which the AI responds to a demand is also used for vassal tribute (which doesn't cause "arrogant demand" memory) and "We demand that you give us this in tribute" mustn't take up more than one line because it's always shown while the player arranges trades. Could show a message I guess (outside the diplo screen) | | |
| | Would like rejected gift requests to add only 1 to recent-demand memory; lower stakes that way. Would have to move code from CvPlayer::handleDiploEvent into CvPlayerAI::AI_considerOffer for this. | | |
| See also | 130h also adds warnings to the DoW confirmation dialog. | | |
| | as upset as most other Al leaders ons) when he pays tribute. Gandhi is the only leader who doesn't mind tribute demands. | | |
| Rationale | Otherwise, the new mechanism couldn't apply to Gandhi, which would be strange: why do the other AI civs not care when Gandhi is attacked after paying tribute? Gandhi has still enough other quirks; he may well be the leader with the most extreme personality overall. | | |
| tribute dema recent requal demand me only increas | I disregards a request for a gift or a and because it still remembers a memory, meaning that, if the AI still remembers one recent request when a new request is made, it takes 40 turns on average until another request seed by one, meaning it'll take half as is considered. | | |
| considered. Making requ | Also, each tribute demand (regardless of success) further worsens relations, up to a maximum of 10 demands. I.e. one can worsen relations almost arbitrarily within a single turn. | | |
| Rationale | Thanks to change 130j, there's now a lighter punishment available for aggressive begging. 40 turns is awfully long. | | |

If UWAI is enabled:

the duration of the peace treaty) whether a human has recently accepted a demand.

While the peace treaty from the demand lasts. the AI doesn't plan war against the human. After the peace treaty, so long as the demand is remembered as recent, the AI treats the human as if its attitude was at least Pleased (as far as war planning is concerned).

forthright" trade to +4 than from 0 to +1. The modifier is increased a bit if the two civs have

The AI remembers for 10 turns on average (plus Only remembers "You gave us tribute" (for 50 turns on average) but not whether the tribute was granted recently.

> The BtS AI never plans war during a peace treaty, but the K-Mod AI does; and the K-Mod AI is able to declare war shortly after the peace treaty ends.

Rationale

Since humans are now encouraged not to attack shortly after receiving tribute, it seems like a double standard when the AI does it.

130p Fair-trade bonus and enemy trade penalty reworked. All pretty complicated (and especially complicated to describe), but, hopefully, in the end, the bonuses work as one would intuitively expect. AdvCiv BtS Each time a trade is made, a score based on the Raw gold values are recorded without adjustment normalized gold value of the traded items and thefor game speed or game progress, and don't current asset totals of both parties is recorded. decay. When computing relations, the total The accumulated score decays by 1.45% each recorded gold value is divided by the has-met turn (Normal speed). The relations modifier counter, i.e. the number of turns that the two civs computed from the remembered score is subject have known each other. to diminishing returns, meaning that more trading is needed in order to get from e.g. +3 "fair and

See also

only recently first met.

131 makes some minor adjustments to asset totals.

Rationale

The BtS formula works OK for Normal speed in the first third of the game but becomes too sensitive later in the game (because trade values increase faster than the has-met counter), and on slower game speed settings. It also produces weird results for civs met in the middle of the game; a small gift can be enough for a +4bonus or -4 penalty, and modifiers can decrease rapidly as the has-met counter increases.

I'm taking a more explicit approach by recording normalized trade scores and applying exponential decay each turn (instead of implicit decay through increasing trade values and has-met counters). Asset totals seem well suited for computing trade scores because they tend to increase at a similar pace.

Despite the decay, trade scores still tend to be higher between civs that have known each other for a long time than between civs that have recently met. It does, therefore, make sense to take into account the has-met counter, but the effect is now much smaller than in BtS.

Tbd.

Make this more sensitive when tech trading isn't allowed.

The fair-trade relations modifier is multiplied by Not based on personality at all, neither through a MemoryAttitudePercent-EVENT GOOD TO US in multiplier, nor through bounds. (The bounds are Civ4LeaderHead.xml, which, however, is 100 for hardcoded as -4 for enemy trade and +4 for fair

| changes so For enemy | so this matters only if a mod-mod ome MemoryAttitude values. trade, MemoryAttitudePercentTO_US is used instead. This is also eaders. | trade; this is still the case in AdvCiv.) |
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| between th has receive | de modifier is based on the difference e recorded values of items that the Al ed in trade minus 5/6 of the recorded ems that the other side has received. | 100% of what the other side received is subtracted. I.e. a human who makes only deals with the AI that the AI finds perfectly fair never receives a "fair and forthright" relations bonus. |
| Rationale | trades that are actually fair should st | ght" is supposed to be a bit of a euphemism, but ill have some impact. This should also make it a y Friendly relations (despite change 148, AI-AI |
| contribute s The impact | ers (OB) with a worst enemy significantly to the relations penalty. is based on the number of turns that is have had OB. None if the borders ently open. | OB and DP factor into the trade memory for both fair trade and enemy trade, but the deal value is so small that the impact is negligible. |
| the fair-trace memory. Ro though the value for the deal is sign | | Resource trades don't matter for trade memory. All ongoing deals can cause the AI to demand a trade embargo. |
| canceled (e | ses to sign a DP if a DP was recently explicitly canceled or through a war one of the signatories). | The AI refuses to sign recently canceled OB, but, for DP, there is no such restriction. |
| Rationale | | y civ, may even be crucial at wartime, so I don't trade embargo is a sufficient penalty. |
| | deals immediately reduces the enem | e trade memory, so that cancelation of those ny trade penalty. This can't be abused by turn because of the Al's refusal to sign OB and |
| | DP needed this kind of restriction an | yway; too easy to flick DP on and off in BtS. |
| See also | 130t factors attitude and worst enemodiph.3 keeps DP intact after a foreign 550a gives civs that have fallen behind adjustment factors half into the trade | n DoW. nd better deals by adjusting trade values. This |
| Tbd. | Should perhaps only refuse to reinstate OB/ DP if the other side cancels them. Not quite easy to implement as cancelation memory is added in CvDeal::endTrade; would have to move that to CvPlayerAI::AI_doDiplo. | |
| | Peace treaties should perhaps also for a gift or tribute to avoid getting as | add to the enemy trade penalty. Can currently ask sked to join a war. |
| | May have to dial this up once there i | s tech diffusion from OB. |
| "Our defens currently in | | Doesn't check if currently in a DP. The relations bonus is based on the number of turns spent in a DP. That number counts backwards when not in |

| | | a DP. |
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| Rationale | More intuitive this way, and consiste | nt with how the OB relations bonus works. |
| | | e enemy trade penalty if the worst enemy has OB |
| with many ci | VS. | |
| Rationale | An AI civ can't afford to be mad at ever because one civ can only do so muc | |
| | he impact of gifts vs. trades on memory a little. | The AI tracks gifts and traded items separately. Gifts are hated three times worse than traded items. |
| Rationale | | so bad because the worst enemy has to give lominated by tech trades, and giving away tech it's very much win-win. |
| relations tow | pact on enemy trade if the Al vard the enemy and the enemy's r are similarly bad. | When an AI civ dislikes two civs equally, and one of these enemies trades with the other, the distinction of "worst enemy" can oscillate between the two. |
| civ reduces i | | Even if the AI reconciles with its worst enemy, it continues to be mad at civs that previously traded with its former enemy. |
| Rationale | worst enemy becomes itself the worst when the worst enemy changes, "yo | ng situations where a civ that trades with the st enemy. This can seem erratic. (That said, even u've trade d with our worst enemies" remains mory, but that could drop a -3 penalty to -1 due to |
| See also | 130f prevents stop-trading demands almost as bad as toward the worst e | when relations toward the player are already nemy. |
| the AI is at p AI isn't at wa | g the worst enemy, civs with whom eace are only considered when the trivial with anyone. Exception: Dogpile in request of another civ) have no porst enemy. | Worst enemy chosen only based on attitude. |
| - | e memory is increased more when var with the worst enemy than when ace. | Whether the worst enemy is a war enemy doesn't affect enemy trade memory. |
| memory eve | a war enemy increase enemy trade n if that war enemy is not the worst gh not as much as trades with the o do. | Only trades with the worst enemy count as enemy trade. |
| Rationale | Trades with a war enemy are more li war foe. | kely to harm the AI than trades with some cold- |
| See also | 552 increases the AI trade value of r | nilitary tech. |
| brokered by | peace deals (between two parties or a third party) increase enemy trade t not fair-trade memory). Exception: | Peace deals don't count for trade memory. |
| | ount enemy trade memory if they like whom peace has been made tude). | |

| | n two-party peace deals don't count my trade memory. | |
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| Rationale | | trade penalties by piggybacking regular trades sense to me that a civ gets upset when its worst |

| 130q | Nuke and raze memory based on cit | y size | |
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| See also | 650 deals with other changes to nuc 130j (partly disabled) exempted raze attitude. | lear war (minor so far). e and nuke memory from being affected by | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| this as 1 to | is nuked, the AI owner remembers 3 bad actions depending on the of the city. Nukes that don't affect a nted as 1. | Each nuke counts as 1 bad action (which is equivalent to 2 bad actions given change 130j), even if it only hits a ship in the middle of the ocean, and nukes always trigger "you nuked our friends". | |
| | s counted as 1, partners of the nuked upset ("you nuked our friends"). | | |
| Razed cities | s count as 2 bad actions in the case ant city, otherwise 1. | Each razed non-holy city counts equally (unless in has 0 city culture and a dead civ has the highest city culture; see change <u>099</u>). | |
| Rationale | It should make a difference whether a city is hit at all, and whether it's, say, the capital, or some backwater. | | |
| | Raze anger generally seems a bit hi now, lower the anger a bit overall by | gh, or just ineffective at discouraging razing. For exempting minor cities. | |
| Tbd. | The raze mechanism needs to change so that it takes multiple turns (or multiple units). | | |
| | The raze popup should say how great the anger will be. | | |
| | Hover text while firing a nuke ("Nuke upset. | Mode") should say which civs are going to be | |
| neither prod (That means | lts in 0 memory only if a city has luced any culture nor population. s, 0 memory is only possible when – but the converse is not true.) | 0 memory for razing cities with 0 culture – no matter the size. | |
| Rationale | without producing any culture, and the city. I still want 0 raze memory for cit | ne, growing population, constructing a Granary, ne AI should not be indifferent about losing such a ies that have really just been founded (not much that have been founded in awful terrain (can't). | |
| See also | | aze on the map (Git <u>commit</u>). While my change know whether a city will auto-raze, I still don't | |
| owner of the | upset about a nuked friend if the e nuke is or used to be a friend that een nuked at least as badly. | The AI only checks whether it's at least Cautious toward the victim. | |
| Rationale | Don't hate both sides of a nuclear wa | ar if it's just tit for tat. | |
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| Al doesn't disband nukes when in financial | As far as I can tell, nukes are disbanded before |
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| trouble unless no units other than cargo units | most other units. BtS tried to save expensive |
| remain. | units, which is fine in the case of nukes, but |
| | K-Mod focuses on XP, which is generally better, |
| | but fails for nukes. |
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| 130r | All Al diplo memory decays; see the | table in the DDiplo chapter. |
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| See also | 130y counts less declared-war mem 130o deals with memory about tribut | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| incidents of | r (power law) decay: The more a kind the AI remembers, the faster it get each of them. | Decay is linear in the number of turns that have passed. |
| Rationale | There should always be a route to reworth pursuing). | econciliation (though it doesn't always have to be |
| speed using Golden Age | robabilities are adjusted to game g the same (moderate) modifier as for es: 100% slower decay on Marathon, r on Epic, 20% faster on Quick | The various AI memory values are decremented each turn, each with its own probability from Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml. The probabilities are the unaffected by the game speed setting. |
| Rationale | ask for help more often in a Maratho aren't normally twice as many reque other conditions need to be true for e events, such as declared wars (now | y game speed, which means that the AI does e.g. on game than in an Epic game; however, there sts on Marathon than on Epic because certain each specific request, and other remembered subject to decay as well), aren't controlled by at much more frequently on slower settings. So, a |
| Tbd. | make sense to tie help requests to re | be increased a bit on the slower settings. It would esearch speed, but, for hired war or requests to so, again based on the Golden Age modifier, I |
| See also | 130k factors game speed into memo | ory increments. |
| memory-ba as 10 mem | d the independence bonus into a sed bonus to let it decay. It's treated ory decaying at a rate of -1 every 30 erage (Normal speed). | A liberated colony is forever +10 grateful to its old homeland. |
| Rationale | To be consistent with the "everything | decays" paradigm. |
| | s decays by 3% each turn; that's a 5 75% after 10 turns. It's still set to 0 a a war. | War success doesn't decay; only reset to 0 when ta war ends. |
| Rationale | In long wars, initial successes tend t | o have too much weight. |
| Tbd. | Initial successes should perhaps be ignored entirely, or decay very quickly because they're often owed to surprise and thus not a good estimate for the future course of the war. | |
| | | a war isn't smart because war could break out uccess while at peace might be assumed by some by it would be to change this. |

| See also | <u>UWAI</u> remembers the overall outcon | ne of a war before war success is reset. |
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| | goes for war-on-friend memory while | No decay of either memory type ever. |
| | Plausible that forgiveness can't happ on-us memory was decaying too fas | pen while the transgression is ongoing. Also, wartwithout this restriction. |
| _ | nceled memory (about OB, DP and ly decay half (from 2 down to 1) | No recently-canceled memory about DP and VVA. Al often willing to sign OB right after a war ends. |
| See also | | nemory for DP and <u>143</u> for VVA. <u>130j</u> counts is why canceling a deal sets recently-canceled |
| Rationale | Al shouldn't generally be willing to si | gn agreements right after a war ends. |
| TRADING) is I average, san embargo," ai is recent stop | d trading with us" (MEMORY_STOPPED_ remembered for 60 turns on ne as "You negotiated a trade nd neither of these decay while there oped-trading memory DPPED_TRADING_RECENT). | When a team agrees to an embargo, the invisible MEMORY_STOPPED_TRADING_RECENT count is incremented and lasts for an average 25 turns. Additionally, the MEMORY_STOPPED_TRADING count is permanently increased, leading to the relations penalty. |
| Rationale | The relations penalty shouldn't disap | pear while the embargo is still in effect. |
| See also | 130f makes MEMORY_STOPPED_TRAD | ING_RECENT decay a bit faster than in BtS. |

| 130s | Accepting to join a war gives +1 rela | tions |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| war aid, this come to our | an player accepts an AI request for is remembered as "You agreed to aid in wartime." for 100 turns on Normal speed). | The relations effect, including the explanation text, is implemented, but disabled in Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml. The duration is set to 150 turns on average. |
| isn't sharing | suspended when the human civ any war with the AI civ and the AI civ least one war. | |
| | treated as a matter of course – that's original developers felt that the share of war, but now that the shared-war | some players; military assistance shouldn't be what defensive pacts are for. Perhaps the ed-war bonus is enough reward for a declaration bonus is harder to get (change 130m), it should t directly. 150 turns seems a bit much though. |
| Config | | advc.xml. (Or in Civ4LeaderHeadInfos.xml, be made for each leader individually.) |
| See also | 130m should make the timing of help 104i (UWAI) makes the target of a jo the hired civ from making peace imn | oint war refuse to talk as in BtS, thus preventing |

| Diplo penalty for Defensive Pact based on relations toward third party | |
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| | 130p makes the AI refuse a DP if recently canceled, and exempts DP from enemy trade and fair trade diplo. | | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| civ Y for havi X is based on no penalty if DeclareWar | ing a defensive pact with a rival Z of n the attitude of X toward Z. There is the attitude is one higher than the Them threshold, or when X also has or when X is too weak to attack Z | No penalty if X has a DP with Y; attitude doesn't matter. | |
| e.g. Darius, a Pleased for e for Catherine Pleased in th | ewarThem threshold is at Annoyed for at Cautious for e.g. Hannibal and at e.g. Julius Caesar. (And at Friendly e, but this is no different from his case because I'm using the us 1, and Friendly is the highest ude.) | | |
| | BtS doesn't properly factor DP into enemy trade diplo, and I think it's better to have all the negative DP diplo in one place anyway. A DP of Y with both X and Z shouldn't satisfy X and Z unless they like each other. In this constellation, Y threatens war on X if X should attack Z, which should offend X. Y also promises to protect X; but this is covered by the DP relations bonus (no change to that). | | |
| | As for the threshold, I've considered using the DefensivePactRefuse threshold from Civ4LeaderheadInfos.xml, which is Cautious for some leaders, but a leader that is quick to sign a DP shouldn't necessarily be forgiving about a rival DP. (The opposite could be true: these leaders think that DPs are important, and are therefore worried about rival DPs.) | | |
| | Warmongers tend to have high Declare war). These leaders should b | areWarThem thresholds (easy to convince to be bothered most by DPs. | |
| Al refuses to | Al refuses to sign a DP without OB: "Surely, you must be joking." | | |
| Rationale | How are you going to defend us without entering our borders?? | | |
| | rival peace vassals works the same r about defensive pacts. | see <u>130w</u> | |
| Rationale | Voluntary vassal agreements are mu | ch like defensive pacts. | |
| See also | About capitulated vassals, see <u>130w</u> | | |

| 130u | Proxy AI treated as Cautious | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The AI running in the background, ready to take over for a human player, is Cautious toward everyone no matter what happens. | | The proxy AI computes its attitude just as if it were in control. |
| Rationale Should only make a difference when a player drops out in multiplayer. With my change, the proxy AI e.g. doesn't take note of trades with the human's worst enemy (doesn't have one) until the AI takeover. This is more fair to the remaining players because they can't see who the worst enemy of the AI is until it takes control. | | |

| There may well be some places in the code where a proxy AI remembers something based on AI leader personality. |
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| 130v lets capitulated vassals mimic their masters' attitude. In the case of a human master, this attitude is Cautious. |

| 130v | Masters are held responsible for the | ir cap. vassals; cap. vassals as zombies |
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| See also | K-Mod disables vassal-master attitudes war targets; 130d makes capitulated bases the "vassals to your empire" pand 130w penalizes expansionism the reduce war-based diplo penalties for choice in starting wars. 099c prevented reduces the culture spread of capitulated them from pursuing victory and from capitulated vassals from defying resultance based on attitude) disregards to capitulated vassals from training Private in the c | de sharing; <u>UWAI</u> disregards capitulated vassals ted vassals ineligible as worst enemies. <u>130t</u> penalty on attitude in the case of peace vassals, arough vassals and conquests. <u>130y</u> and <u>130h</u> revassals, recognizing that vassals don't have a ts master cities from flipping to a vassal, and <u>025</u> lated vassals. <u>143b</u> prevents capitulated vassals itulated vassals ineligible for team votes, stops building great wonders. <u>dlph.25</u> prevents olutions. <u>112b</u> changes conditions for capitulation of embargoes for free. <u>036</u> (gold available for the attitude of capitulated vassals. <u>033</u> stops |
| Tbd. | I'm considering to turn capitulated vassals into voluntary vassals after some time; perhaps after 30-40 turns. Would only need to implement a popup asking the master to sign the new agreement or else free the vassal. A capitulated vassal that reaches the territory and population threshold should then also into a voluntary vassal. Some way for a master to free a voluntary vassal would also be nice. Capitulated vassals should perhaps only be allowed to trade tech with their masters. Or just prevent them from brokering to other civs. That said, the Al currently keeps its vassals (capitulated ones too) at arm's length tech-wise; that might have to be changed if vassals can't trade or broker. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| razes a trades v has OB nukes s half of the to the vass Relations also share | lated vassal (holy) city; with someone or someone's enemy; with someone's enemy; or omeone (but not just someone's friend) resulting relations modifier is applied sal, and half to the master. penalties about shared borders are ed between vassal and master. ames, the penalties apply to the leader ster team. | Actions of a vassal don't reflect on the master, but civs are generally upset about "rivals" being vassals to the master's "empire", and vassals are possible war targets. Prior to K-Mod, the AI attitude toward the master was generally lowered based on the attitude toward the vassal. |
| Rationale My thinking is that there shouldn't be grudges against capitulated vassals because they're basically dead already. This opens up a loophole: A human master could let vassals do the dirty work (razing), or use them as buffers against shared-border anger. BtS attitude averaging would fix this issue, but would also punish the master | | |

for e.g. the vassal's religion and any bad deeds prior to the vassal agreement.

The change about nukes is obsolete because 143b now prevents capitulated vassals from having nukes.

Vassals are always Friendly toward their master, Voluntary vassals are Friendly toward their and capitulated vassals share the master's attitude toward rivals, but their attitude can be at free. The attitude of and toward capitulated best Cautious. Al civs project their attitude towardvassals is computed normally but rarely matters. a civ onto the capitulated vassals of that civ.

This does not apply when a vassal is deciding whether to break free.

Masters are Pleased toward their capitulated vassals, and capitulated vassals are Pleased toward fellow vassals with the same master.

Vassals never grant gifts to rivals and never ask gift to its master (no matter if capitulated), the vassal checks its actual attitude (what the attitude would be if it weren't for the vassal treaty).

Capitulated vassals are slightly reluctant to found cities, especially on other continents.

Al Spies are reluctant to attack a rival's capitulated vassals.

master except when deciding whether to break

Sometimes a (capitulated) vassal has a much more positive attitude toward another civ than its master, and will trade away technologies that the master wouldn't trade.

When a vassal grants a gift to a rival or receives rivals for gifts. When deciding whether to grant a one, a peace treaty is signed between the master and the rival. Thus a civ with multiple vassals can sometimes be kept at peace indefinitely.

> Capitulated vassals with few cities left tend to found cities in marginal spots because the additional expenses (esp. for number of cities and civics) are small. The additional maintenance for the master isn't taken into account.

> Al doesn't attack it's own vassals (still the case in AdvCiv).

Rationale

Given my other changes, the attitude of and toward capitulated vassals really doesn't matter anymore, and showing them, as is often the case, Annoyed toward their master is misleading. I'm still showing the actual relations value (e.g. "Friendly (-2)") and modifiers because they do matter again if a vassal breaks free.

If vassals are supposed to be zombies, they shouldn't be relevant for tech trading, and they generally shouldn't undermine the master's foreign policy. Until v0.85, I had capitulated vassals share the master's attitude toward other civs, but this made it too easy for a human player to dictate civics and siphon gold from vassals with AI masters; now they're at best Cautious toward rivals.

Capitulated vassals are not shown on the 'Glance" tab of the Foreign Advisor.

The Glance tab shows relations between all living (non-minor) civs.

Rationale

The Glance tab gets guite crowded in large games, and capitulated vassals don't have interesting relations because they follow their masters in matters of diplomacy.

after accepting capitulation.

Human espionage weight against vassal set to 0 No automatic changes to human espionage weights ever.

Rationale

Easy to forget, and cases in which a player would want to continue espionage against his/her capitulated vassal should be extremely rare. I'm not making the same change for voluntary vassals because these agreements are often fleeting.

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| proposed by their master. | Team members of the Secretary-General (SG) support all resolutions. Civs Friendly toward the SG support some proposals, but not all (non-proliferation, force-civics). |

| Since all votes are cast simultaneously, vassals can't always vote along with their master – they don't know how the master is going to vote. |
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| dlph.25 allows vassals to support the master in repealing resolutions (which requires them to vote "No" on the master's proposal). |

| 130w | Penalty for expansionism: "We oppo | se your ruthless expansionism" |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| with foreign difference be culture), the personality of warmonger | etween highest culture and owner's total number of cities, and the of the AI leader (peace weight minus respect). The penalty is reduced if military can't compete with that of the | If a civ has at least one vassal, the "vassals to your empire" penalty is based on the military power of the master and all its vassals. Other than that, there are rank-based penalties (<u>130c</u>). |
| previously o about a qua | nuch) more sensitive about cities it owned. Other than that, so long as just orter of a civ's cities are foreign, none civs will mind. | |
| typically abo the number initial numbe ality and pov one for volu- played togel | the number of capitulated vassals, but -1 per vassal, but it depends on of cities owned by the vassal, the er of civs, and (as above) Al personwer ratio. This penalty is added to the ntary vassals (130t), and they're disther as "We are worried about our vassals to your empire". | |
| Rationale | civ that just conquers all cities isn't le vassal penalty, I'm adding a counterp | rillitary power only to civs that control a vassal. A less threatening. Since I don't want to remove the part that penalizes conquered cities. In any case, because that hardly affects human civs. |
| | The personality-based term means that e.g. Genghis Khan won't easily get upset about expansionism, which is consistent with his own behavior and his first-impressions bonus with other warmongers. Moreover, I don't want all leaders to increase the penalty synchronously because, then, conquering a single city could have a big negative impact on relations overall; the personality factor makes sure the overall effect changes smoothly. | |
| | Power ratio is factored in because it expansionists – this mostly hurts the | doesn't help if small civs stop trading with the small civs. |
| | As razing doesn't remove tile culture (and razing carries its own diplo pen | , this penalty can't be circumvented by razing alties too). |
| | enemy) of the AI civ that opposes ex | ally owned by an enemy (war enemy or worst pansionism, but concluded that this shouldn't pansion needs to be opposed even if it has my. |
| See also | Without <u>099</u> (culture of dead civs stable because cities conquered from elimination) | lys in the game), this change wouldn't really work nated civs wouldn't count. |

| Tbd. | Should perhaps be reduced if the AI civ that opposes expansionism has conquered |
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| | much more territory. Can seem a bit hypocritical the way it is now. |

| 130x | Normalized diplo from shared/different religion and civics | | |
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| See also | 130n delays the diplo penalty from "heathen" religion | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| religion and civics are reduced if many known civs have this religion or civic. The maximal penalty for having a different religion is reduced if many known civs have a different religion. have been shared or have different modifier is based on that turn countries between +2 and +6 for civics (+6 Mao and Gandhi), between +2 and religion (+7 only for Asoka and Z between 0 and -2 for differing religion/civic and -1 for differing religion/civic and -1 for differing religion. | | between +2 and +6 for civics (+6 only for Stalin, Mao and Gandhi), between +2 and +7 for shared religion (+7 only for Asoka and Zara Yaqob) and between 0 and -2 for differing religion. Unaffected by the bound: +1 for shared religion/civic and -1 for differing religion regardless of the number of turns. The civ with | |
| Rationale | | | |
| | The change seems also realistic: if everyone shares a trait, it gets taken for granted, and lack of external enemies leads to infighting. And it's unwise to eschew everyone when they all have "heathen" religions. | | |
| Tbd. | Should probably dial this up a bit, i.e. further reduce the relations bonuses from civics | | |
| | Diplo bonuses for religious civics should be reduced (or disabled) if the state religion doesn't match. Shouldn't get a net relations bonus for sharing, say, Organized Religion with Suryavarman and running a different religion. | | |

| 130y | Lower diplo penalties for wars involving vassals, DP or seeing little action | |
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When making peace, the declared-war relations The declared-war penalty is solely based on the penalty is reduced (but not beyond -2) if the other number of declarations of war; only the side has had very little war success, namely less (unimportant) hidden "this war is going badly" than 0.3 times the equivalent of capturing a city times the era number (0 for Ancient; i.e. full penalty for early attacks on Workers). The penalty is also reduced if either side is a capitulated vassal. And a capitulated vassal reduces its declared-war penalties when it regains its independence. If a vassal is freed because its master has

capitulated to a third civ. the third civ automatically makes peace with the vassal, but without signing a peace treaty.

If the third civ doesn't have much war success against the freed vassal, and the free vassal had been a capitulated vassal, the third civs gains +2 "You've granted us independence" from the freed war on the former vassal. vassal.

penalty is based on war success.

When declaring war on a master civ, war against the vassal civs is implied, and the aggressor gets the full (never decaying) -3 "You declared war on us" from each vassal, even if the war takes place entirely in the master's territory, and ends up freeing a capitulated vassal. Likewise, when a master declares war, its vassals suffer a -3 relations penalty.

When a civ capitulates, the vassals of that civ are freed. They remain at war with the master of their former master, and the former master declares

| Rationale | Shouldn't hold civs fully accountable for declarations of war if these declarations were enforced by the vassal system, especially not for capitulated vassals. The change should make it easier to free vassals and have a cooperative relationship with them henceforth. | | |
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| | I'm factoring in war success because vassals should not be happy about being liberated when that involves killing most of their units or taking away their cities. | | |
| | The reduced penalty for non-vassals practically only applies to wars where neither side sent any units or an invader changed its mind in the face of tough defenses. Not plausible for such wars to have long running repercussions. | | |
| See also | 130h disables war-on-friend penalties for attacking master/vassal alliances; sha reduces "war spoils our relations" penalty if there is little war success. | | |
| Tbd. | Should perhaps also add "granted us independence" memory when the master is eliminated. | | |
| -2 relations | A DoW caused by honoring a DP leads to only a Pull relations penalty (-3). 2 relations penalty from the civ that triggered the DP. (No change to "war on friend" penalties.) | | |
| Rationale | Diplo penalties for fulfilling a DP seem justifiable, or at least not wrong enough to change radically. I'm just reducing the penalty a bit. | | |
| Tbd. | Should probably not assign war-on-friend penalties when war is triggered by a defensive pact, and perhaps not for wars declared by capitulated vassals either. | | |

| 130z | Al gives help also to other Al civs | |
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| An AI leader may decide to gift a tech to any non-vassal civ that has fallen behind and that the AI leader is at least Pleased with. Friendly relations, a low difficulty setting and a high Diplo victory stage increase the probability of such a gift. Only human civs can benefit from this. Pleased attitude is required, Friendly and difficulty don't matter. (Although a low difficulty makes the AI easier to please.) | | |
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| The choice of research cos | of the tech is biased toward low st. | The tech chosen uniformly at random. |
| (No change vassals.) | to the AI routine for gifting tech to | |
| See also | 112 deals with tech gifts between vassal and master. The gifted tech is also chosen randomly based on cost in that context. | |
| | The part that takes into account the difficulty level is based on <u>250a</u> . | |
| Rationale | Especially with <u>SPaH</u> , it's not so unlikely for experienced players to trigger this Al behavior, and I don't think those players would want the AI to help them compete. So one could either disable the help routine for medium and high difficulty settings, or extend it so that AI civs can benefit too. I've done the latter because it can actually make sense for an AI civ to help a weaker partner; humans do that too sometimes. | |
| Tbd. | Should perhaps ask for gold in exchange if the recipient happens to have some. | |

| 131 | Misc. changes to AI evaluation of units, buildings, techs, civics and religions | |
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| See also | cdtw and rom for such changes adopted from other mods. 121: Al changes to Worker builds and citizen assignment 042: Anticipate border expansion when evaluating Work Boat | |
| Tbd. | Open K-Mod issue: "Fix AI's tech evaluation" (link) And regarding the Caste System SpecialistValid ability (comment in CvPlayerAI.cpp): "todo: the current code sucks. Fix it." True, but I'd like to remove that ability at some point (it's about the opposite of what Caste System should do), so I'm not going to fix it. | |
| AI more likel | ly to build a high-utility building than a | an arbitrary XP or gold building. |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Prior to the Industrial era, the AI is reluctant to build certain National Wonders in its capital, in barticular Moai Statues and Globe Theater. Moai Statues in capitals are fairly common in K-Mod. If Globe Theater is also built in the capital the AI can't build Oxford University there. | | |
| f a city has a Great Person Point (GPP) rate of at least 7, the AI considers building the National build the National Epic until late in the game. Epic. The threshold increases by 2 with each erapeyond Classical. | | |
| Rationale | 7 GPP could be two specialists and one wonder or three specialists. Could happen in the capital, which is OK with me; an early "GP Farm" in the capital isn't bad. | |
| Tbd. | Oxford in the capital shouldn't always be the best choice; that needs to be addressed by a balance change. | |
| Should discourage Moai in any city with a lot of good unworked land tiles CvCityAI::AI_buildingSeaYieldChangeWeight would be the place for change. | | • |
| | National Epic is probably still not given enough priority. | |

| Al tech evaluation: Reduced the value assigned to units whose resource requirements aren't met. E.g. to make the Al less inclined to research Horseback Riding when it doesn't have a Horse. | | K-Mod: Already reduced; I'm reducing it more. |
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| on the ratio of the utility of the new religion to the utility of the current one. Increased attraction to AP. | | Current state religion is counted as having between +33% and +50% utility to create inertia and avoid revolutions. However, once another religion reaches higher utility despite this bonus, the AI switches immediately, leading to occasional back and forth switches as cities are conquered and lost again. |
| handle negative utility values correctly. | | The inertia mechanism has the opposite effect when dealing with negative utility values. Negative values probably don't occur though (nor in AdvCiv I think). |
| | The values of religions can fluctuate when two religions spread in parallel or when cit owners change repeatedly in a war. Probabilistic switching means that the AI tends to wait for some turns when the one religion isn't far better than the other. | |
| | I had implemented the same thing fo the K-Mod subforum (the "Update" p | or civics but removed it again; see my post <u>here</u> in part under No. 1). |
| Credits | The change for negative utility values is inspired by a similar change in "RoM: A New Dawn" by koshling. SourceForge revision: <u>link</u> | |
| | Can currently only switch religion every 15 turns unless Spiritual (see calls to AI_setReligionTimer) and civics every 20 turns. Would be better to lower the perturn probability of switching based on the turns elapsed since the latest switch. | |
| See also | 001r fixes a bug that had caused the AI to switch civics too readily. | |
| The AI only starts a revolution if it has enough gold in the treasury to prevent the strike counter from reaching 2 during anarchy. | | During anarchy, civs have 0 income and expenses except that gold deals still need to be paid. This means that anarchy leads to a strike when a civ has no gold in its treasury. If anarchy lasts only one turn, the strike has no immediate effect, but multiple turns of anarchy lead to disbanded units. Moreover, the strike turn counter is never reset, so once there has been a strike, even a single turn of anarchy can lead to disbanding. |
| | that is supposed to receive gold? Fo | deals during anarchy, but then what about the civor a human player, it could be confusing if an Al civors received without having been payed, then this games. |
| | · • | e reset or counted backwards (probabilistically?) ingle turn of strike now and then would have no |
| See also | 132b: Vassals with a human master reluctant to switch civics. | |

Reduced the tech value counted for buildings when an AI civ hasn't founded a second city yet and the population of the capital hasn't grown beyond size 3.

Don't count tech value for potential domestic trade routes when having only 1 city.

The AI assumes that it is not geographically isolated when more than 25% of its continent remains unexplored. Consequently, naval exploration is not prioritized in the very early game on account of being isolated.

So long as the AI isn't sure whether it is isolated (no one met and 30 turns not yet passed), the values counted for military units are reduced.

Reduced the utility counted for working water when the average city population is small.

| Reduced in | e utility counted for working water wil | en the average city population is small. |
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| Rationale | Mostly to prevent the AI from overestimating Fishing and Sailing in the very early game. Apart from Lighthouse, an early discovery of Sailing can lead the AI to waste time on a Galley or to construct Moai Statues in the capital. | |
| Swordsman and Legionary have Attack City as their default AI type. Non-default AI types are Attack and Reserve. | | For all Swordsman units, the default is Attack, non-default Attack City and Reserve. The earliest non-siege unit with default AI type Attack City is Maceman, the next one Grenadier. |
| | | The default AI type seems to matter mostly when the AI evaluates units that it can't train yet. Will then, for each AI type of the new unit, compare the new unit with the best current unit that has the matching default AI type. |
| Rationale | The main advantage of Swordsmen over Axemen and other early units is that Swordsmen are better at attacking (AI) cities held by Archers. | |
| See also | 907a renames Praetorian to Legion | ary. |
| Battleship h | as the (non-default) AI type Escort. | Destroyer is the only late-game unit with Escort AI type. I don't think the Escort type is required for accompanying cargo ships, but if more escort ships are needed, the AI will only train ships with the Escort AI type to fill the ranks. |
| Rationale | Battleships don't come much later than Destroyers and aren't that much more expensive. They can handle enemy Battleships, and a mix of Destroyers and Battleships can stand up to the endgame ships (Missile Cruiser, Stealth Destroyer) and air attacks. | |
| See also | 905a removes the Escort AI type from | om Caravel. |
| The evaluation of an extra trade route granted by Looks like the K-Mod formula only accounts for a technology takes into account future cities. | | |
| Rationale | The AI is sometimes very slow to discover Currency. | |
| Tbd. | Currency still seems to be underrated (and Code of laws overrated). | |
| Bureaucracy when evaluating special commerce taking the modifier times the current base rate modifiers. And some value is added to account for future increases of the city's base commerce. increases the result to account for possible fur | | the respective special commerce type. K-Mod increases the result to account for possible future weight increases (slider position), and accounts |

modifiers.

modifiers – but not for special commerce

| Rationale | The AI had tended to omit the Education tech entirely. | |
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| AdvCiv | 1 | BtS |
| an asset val | nologies and Horseback Riding have ue of 6, Classical techs 12, Medieval ance 24, Industrial 30, Modern and | |
| The Infantry | unit has an asset value of 4. | 3 for Infantry but e.g. 4 for SAM Infantry. |
| | | The total asset value of a civ is computed as 2 per citizen, 1 per land tile, up to 48 per technology, 1 to 5(?) per non-wonder building, 16(?) per great wonder, 8(?) per national wonder. For units, the asset value usually corresponds to the square root of its power, rounded down; though e.g. not for Infantry. |
| See also | 130p uses asset totals for computing trade-based relations modifiers. | The total is used only for deciding whether an Al civ asks for a free technology or offers one. |
| Rationale | cost only 60 research and count as 8 assets) cost at least 88 food and 8 A intentional: when the human player | toward technologies. E.g. early technologies assets, whereas 4 population (also worth 8 archers cost 280 production. This is probably gets ahead technologically, the AI is supposed to and citizens. It was just a bit too extreme, at least |
| | Horseback Riding being treated as a | an Ancient tech might be deliberate (*shrug*). |
| Tbd. | The asset values for buildings look crazy; e.g. 1 for Drydock but 2 for Barracks and 3 for Lighthouse. Hard to say how the original developers came up with these. | |
| 131b | Al weights in Civ4TechInfos.xml | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| | weights for Iron Working and And slightly increased the cost of Iron | All weights are 0 in BtS and K-Mod. Al weights are added to the utility values computed in Al tech evaluation. The intention was probably to give non-DLL modders a way to bring the Al to research techs with novel abilities. |
| Rationale | In test games before releasing v0.93, half of the AI civs were researching Iron Working right after Bronze Working, and Feudalism was practically always researched before Machinery. This is out of step with the historical development and, more importantly, makes these techs unattractive to research for human players as they're easy to get in trade. | |
| Tbd. | This is a temporary measure. Not sure how to fix this more permanently thou Swordsman, Longbowman and Serfdom really are very useful for the AI. Eve I'd like to split Feudalism into two techs; see tech-tree.pdf. | |
| | to match the scale of the tech utility tech would have less impact on a match tech would have less impact on the match tech have less impact on the match | ultiplied by the number of cities in the DLL in order values. Currently, a non-zero AI weight for a late ap that gives civs a lot of room to expand. early/ midgame techs because civs can't expand |

| 132 | Changes to civics and religion trade | S |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| negotiation), switch to any the initial on threshold as that faith"). Ereligion can't different stat can still (as i | g vassals and war enemies (peace or (b) any civ through a Spy, to y economy and religion civic except es, and to any major religion (same for "not enough of our people follow exception: A master with a state that ask its a vassal to accept a the religion. A civ with a state religion in BtS) try to force another civ into if the other civ has at least one city gion. | Can only ask anyone to switch to own civics (except the initial ones) and own religion (unless "not enough people"). |
| value in case the target civ | ed side charges twice as much trade e (a) if the petitioner is not running vic or religion. In case (b), twice as nage points are needed. | |
| multiple civion multiplayer (are possible | e trades that ask them to make cs changes in the same column. In not tested), I imagine such trades and will result in the player adopting t was added to the trade offer first. | As the trade table is not part of the SDK, mods can, to my knowledge, block only individual trade items, not combinations of trade items. |
| Rationale | it makes sense to demand a switch | ensible – but only when negotiating as peers. E.g. to Pacifism as part of a peace treaty, or to ask a or Theocracy so that the master's corporations |
| | Also more interesting (and entertain | ing) options this way. |
| | | used civic makes sense in case (a) because the s, and (somewhat) in case (b) because the Spy et civic/ religion. |
| | seems far-fetched to switch someor civ in the game has been in Vassala | that many options on the diplo screen. Also ne to, say, Vassalage in the Modern era, when no age for 500 years. Assume civs to be somewhat conomics. These are also the columns with the e Property and Theocracy. |
| Tbd. | Mark those civics (or civic options?) schema change; see comment in C_{τ} | that the can always be instigated through an XML Player::canForceCivics. |
| The force-religion espionage mission requires the The target religion has to be present in any one target religion to be present in the city where the city. mission is executed. | | |
| Rationale | More plausible this way; don't think | it matters much for game balance or AI behavior. |
| Increased the impact of the number of cities with the target religion on the mission cost. K-Mod already adjusts the mission cost but rarely increases it by more than 100%. | | |
| Increased the base cost of force-religion and force-civic by 25%. | | |
| The AI doesn't use the force-religion mission if the target religion has few adherents (same target religion. The affected civ usually switches | | |

| threshold as faith" respon | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | back to its former religion after 5 turns. |
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| Rationale | Being forced to convert from a widespread religion into one with just a single city can be very painful. I've considered allowing only major religions as the target religion, but a cost increase and a change to AI behavior should suffice. | |
| Config | Partly in Civ4EspionageMissionIn | fos.xml |
| Tbd. | The number of religious cities should be factored into the mission cost <i>modifier</i> , not the base cost, because the UI shows a breakdown of the modifier, i.e. the impact of the city count could then be displayed by CvGameTextMgr::setEspionageCostHelp. Same for the cost increase when the Spy owner doesn't run the target civic or religion. | |
| predicts the losses from anarchy based on the the human who's asking for the change. Cal | | Based only on city counts, both of the AI civ and the human who's asking for the change. Can underestimate the cost by a factor of 10 in the late game. |
| Rationale | The human cities shouldn't play a role, and the AI city count could well stay the same during the second half of the game, but the cost of anarchy doesn't. | |
| 132b | | |
| master is human. The diplo bonus from sharing a religion v | | Vassal/master status doesn't affect civic choices. The diplo bonus from sharing a religion with the master factors into the religion choice of the vassal. |
| Rationale | Humans tend to ask vassals to adopt certain civics; switching back and forth doesn't help either side. | |
| 132c | Switching to a state religion requires at least one city with that religion; doesn't suffice if another team member has a city. | |
| Rationale | No special need for team members to align their state religions. Major religions are also determined based on per-civ city counts, and not per-team. | |

| 133 | Al cancels more deals | |
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| AdvCiv | | BBAI |
| tribute") once a vassal agreement ends. | | Tribute deals remain in place until (if ever) the Al reaches so much military power that it wouldn't have agreed to the deals in the first place. |
| Rationale | The problem of lingering tribute may have been introduced by BBAI, which replaced BtS/Warlords custom code for deal cancelation with calls to AI_considerOffer. K-Mod has mostly repaired this (deals from non-vassal tribute demands and gifts do get canceled), but missed a spot. | |
| When deciding whether to cancel a resource trade, all trade-denial conditions are checked. | | Trade value is checked every turn, but not denial conditions like those based on attitude. There's a special clause that cancels deals with the worst enemy of an AI civ. |

| Rationale | I think this was the intended behavior from the beginning, but a bit awkward to implement. (Comment by karadoc in CvPlayerAI.cpp: "getTradeDenial is not equipped to consider deal cancelation properly.") | |
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| | The denial check also cancels deals when a player imports Rice and later | that no longer make sense for the other side, e.g. settles on a Rice resource. |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| the trade val with human decreases b beyond the 1 | e for continuing resource deals wher ues have become uneven is 35% civs and 45% for Al-Al deals, and y 1 percentage point with every turn LO turn minimum duration; lower for human, 20% for Al. | 10% in BtS, 25%, both regardless of human/ AI and not decreasing over time. |
| Rationale | The changes to AI resource evaluation values; hence the increased tolerand | on (change 036) lead to more fluctuation in trade ce. |
| See also | Relies on code written for <u>036</u> . <u>155</u> allows the AI to cancel deals with members of its own team. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| If an Al-Al resource deal is canceled, the Al immediately tries to make a new deal. | | Depending on the AI personalities, regardless of cancelation, a resource deal between two AI civs is considered every 1-5 turns on average. |
| Rationale | Interrupted resource deals can lead to some back and forth in the city management of the AI. Not sure how harmful that is, but better to avoid it. Should also lead to more stable trade relations that are easier to keep track of for human players. | |
| deals betwee | sal agreement ends, all remaining en vassal and master can be either side (turns-to-cancel set to 0). | Deals with a minimum duration can't be canceled until the 10 turns are over, regardless of the vassal agreement. This includes resource gifts to the vassal. |
| Rationale | A minor issue. They shouldn't be forced to continue free resource deliveries. For players, it can be confusing to see free resource trades continue between two AI civs that no longer have a vassal agreement. | |
| Permanent A the threshold agreements. turn probabil | pen Borders, Defensive Pact and Alliance when Al attitude drops below its for signing the respective Cancelation is delayed with a perity except when the other side has Al civ's worst enemy. | Al cancels these agreements immediately when the other side becomes its worst enemy. Otherwise, Al attitude doesn't lead to cancelation (though other considerations may). Borders can remain open indefinitely despite Annoyed attitude. |
| Rationale | I think the original idea was that deal met anymore; they just didn't get the | s get canceled when their attitude threshold isn't implementation right. |
| | | her side time to amend relations before canceling cult to get them back because the "brought us |

| 134 | Changes to AI-to-human offers |
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| | 136b also fits here (map trades offered by the AI) 550 deals with tech trades. |
| 134a | Workaround for a bug in the EXE that prevents AI peace offers |

| See also | 001e deals with similar bugs. | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| civs based of ContactDel Infos.xml. leaders: Delay decre Delay increa Delay increa Rand decrea Rand decrea Joao, Hats | eased to 8: Gandhi ased to 15: for eleven leaders ased to 20: Sitting Bull, Tokugawa ased to 10: Gandhi ased to 12: Mansa Musa, Pacal, shepsut, Ashoka, Huayna Capac | The AI never contacts a human player to offer peace or capitulation. I think in Vanilla Civ 4, peace offers still worked (but were rare). Perhaps the Warlords developers introduced the bug when adding capitulation offers (and broke the capitulation offers too), or some patch is responsible. The contact values were 20 (ContactRand; i.e. 1 chance in 20) and 10 (ContactDelay) for all leaders. |
| | sed to 15 for sixteen leaders sed to 20 for seven leaders | |
| into account war utility. Note that if LIMAL is | | The contact timer isn't reset, but the delay value equals the peace treaty duration, so having contacted the human player in one war can't really affect contact behavior in a subsequent war. |
| human turn makes sens is silently dis reset, meani | ome checks at the start of the to verify that the peace offer still e for both sides; if it doesn't the offer scarded and the AI contact timer is ing that the AI can make a new directly on the next turn. | |
| To work around the error in the EXE, I'm having the DLL feign peace between the two civs at just the right moment. This has no observable side- | | It seems that, before displaying any AI trade offer, the EXE (class CvDiplomacyScreen?) verifies that the two civs are either not at war or that the trade includes an item that implies peace. The latter part is somehow not correctly implemented. |
| _ | canContact and CvPlayer:: em. (Call ::atWar instead.) | |
| Rationale | Rationale I guess I fixed it mainly because it was challenging to do. Al trade offers (including peace) don't have an important function in the game, though they're nice to have for flavor. As for Al personalities, I'm setting lower Rand values for leaders whose historical counterparts have actually sued or peace. Higher Rand values for especially dogged personalities. Higher Delay for some leaders to ensure that they don't appear to be groveling by asking for peace repeatedly. | |
| See also | K-Mod has introduced a similar discount for other AI offers. A good idea; without such an incentive, the AI might as well not contact human civs at all. See the 2 nd page of the K-Mod <u>chapter</u> . | |
| Tbd. | · · · | offer sometimes seems to get through without en this lead to any problem, but I'm not sure what's |
| | UWAI sends a capitulation offer as s | soon as the AI becomes willing to capitulate. I |

| | don't think this totally obsoletes the capitulation Civ4lert, but it would be nice if the alert could be suppressed when a capitulation popup has just been shown. | | |
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| However, if a is slightly inc Al leader's c | Al peace offers can come with a discount. However, if a peace offer is rejected, Al war utility rejection. s slightly increased (by up to 4 depending on the Al leader's contact delay value) until the contact timer is back at 0, i.e. for 8 to 20 turns. | | |
| | to capitulation offers whatever trade lling to give based on war utility. | When offering capitulation, no reparations are offered. | |
| See also | K-Mod has introduced a similar discount for other AI offers. A good idea; without such an incentive, the AI might as well not contact human civs at all. See the 2 nd page of the K-Mod <u>chapter</u> . | | |
| Tbd. | Could add an AI memory type with a -1 relations modifier to communicate the effect of a rejected peace offer more clearly. But I can't come up with a snappy phrase for the explanation text; "You rejected our peace offer." is too lame. | | |
| 134b | (Disabled) No discount if recently begged | | |
| AdvCiv | K-Mod | | |
| | | The AI doesn't grant gift requests by civs that have recently asked for a gift, but discounts aren't affected by gift requests. | |
| I'm afraid it's usually more profitable to ask for gifts all the time than to wait for discounts. If so, this change would mostly disable discounts, which isn't what I want. (I want to disincentivize periodic gift requests.) | | | |
| Rationale | An attempt to disincentivize gift requests by the clock. Some players set alerts for this every 25 turns; see e.g. this CFC thread. | | |

| 135 | Changes to multiplayer | |
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| See also | 004v removes square brackets around the names of human civs on the scoreboard. 108b applies StartingLocPercent from handicap in multiplayer. 054 removes some options from the Staging Room screen. | |
| No Civ4lerts | about humans willing to become a v | assal. |
| AI won't ask | one human to stop trading with anot | her human. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| 135a | Resource bubbles | |
| If a player activates resource bubbles in Hotseat, Resource bubbles are deactivated at the they remain active until a player deactivates them. Resource bubbles are deactivated at the each human turn. Other map layers (e.g display) are not reset. | | each human turn. Other map layers (e.g. yield |
| Rationale | The BtS behavior is annoying if all players want to play with resource bubbles. Otherwise, the players could still agree not to activate them, or one player flicks them on and the next one flicks them off. | |
| Tbd. | The proper solution might be to remember each player's active layers at end of turn, and restore them at the beginning of the next turn of that player. Same for player options and BUG options, which are currently shared by all players. Could store layers and options in savegames, but storing them in non-serialized data members of CVPlayer would already be an improvement. | |
| See also | 004m increases the default zoom di | stance (also reset each turn in Hotseat). |

| AdvCiv | | MoreCiv4lerts in Hotseat | |
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| | | BUG | |
| Added per-player memory to the BUG alerts in the MoreCiv4lerts package. (The most useful ones, like tech trades, are in that package.) | | MoreCiv4lerts fire every turn in Hotseat; unusable. | |
| k | The first package of alerts seems to have been implemented with multiplayer but not the "More" ones. | | |
| | This might also be fixed in the BUG | | |
| | Don't know if the alerts also work for | | |
| 1 | <u>106c</u> also fixes issues with Civ4lerts <u>106b</u> always opens the Event Log w | s. Then there is a new message in Hotseat. | |
| 135c | Debug tools in multiplayer | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| multiplayer if set in Globali players shoul In networked Hotseat), "chi name under' switch. The te say "cheats e no player can Civilization Entering the Naync (OOS) ir reload afterwalf the game name of the same | Can use WorldBuilder (WB) and Debug mode in multiplayer if ENABLE_DEBUG_TOOLS_MULTIPLAYER is set in GlobalDefines_devel.xml. (I guess all players should set it if multiple PCs are involved.) In networked multiplayer (i.e. anything except Hotseat), "chipotle" needs to be set as the game under "Host Game" in addition to the XML switch. The text on the large flag button will then say "cheats enabled" in order to make sure that no player can secretly cheat. The cheat code in civilizationIV.ini doesn't affect multiplayer. Entering the WB makes network games go out of sync (OOS) immediately; will have to save and reload afterwards. WB is always available in singleplayer; Debug mode (Ctrl+Z) requires cheats to be enabled through civilizationIV.ini (code "chipotle"). multiplayer, both WB and Debug mode are blocked through a cheats-enabled check outsic the SDK and several checks inside the SDK, presumably to make certain that cheating is impossible. WB is always available in singleplayer; Debug mode (Ctrl+Z) requires cheats to be enabled through civilizationIV.ini (code "chipotle"). multiplayer, both WB and Debug mode (Ctrl+Z) requires cheats to be enabled through civilizationIV.ini (code "chipotle"). multiplayer, both WB and Debug mode are blocked through a cheats-enabled check outsic the SDK and several checks inside the SDK, presumably to make certain that cheating is impossible. Solve the SDK and several checks inside the SDK, presumably to make certain that cheating is impossible. | | |
| even slot id numbers create autosaves. both players try to write to | | both players try to write to the same autosave file, leading to annoying error popups. | |
| Rationale Debug tools are indispensable for multiplayer testing. Not sure if the OOS isset the WB can be fixed; could just be a side-effect of my hack to make the WB accessible. | | • • • | |
| | Still missing: Python console (impos | sible?) | |
| | | k if both instances run on the same machine, so chipotle" is only used for such test games. | |
| | 127 allows enabling AI Auto Play in multiplayer. 001n fixes OOS errors. 007 describes how OOS errors can be debugged on a single PC. | | |
| setPlotHelp | To get rid of the cheat level checks in the CyGameTextMgr class more easily, I've split the setPlotHelp member function into several subroutines and made some changes to const qualifiers. That could make it a bit difficult to merge this change into another mod. | | |
| | In multiplayer games, the Settings tab (Victory screen) shows the game end turn only if it's different from the default (500 on Normal speed). | | |
| Rationale | Tidiness. | | |

| 136 | Changes to map trades | |
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| 136a | Circumnavigation checked at end of turn | |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI |
| The game checks at the end of each civ's turn if that civ has circumnavigated the globe. Thus, if, through a map trade, two civs meet the circumnavigation conditions on the same turn, only that civ is rewarded on whose turn the map trade is completed. In a human-AI map trade, the human always wins because trades involving humans are always completed on a human turn. | | |
| So long as no one has achieved circumnavigation, the AI refuses to trade its map if it can train Caravels. ("We have our reasons.") If it can't train Caravels but the other side can, the AI charges twice as much for its map. | | Whether an AI is willing to trade it's map depends entirely on the leader's attitude threshold. |
| | instead puts the AI at a bit of a disadvantage because human-AI trades can't be completed on an AI turn. That said, the AI suggests map trades to human civs relatively rarely, and never with an intention of completing circumnavigation, so the change doesn't really hurt the AI. | |
| | Al that is already close. | der for a human to steal circumnavigation from an |
| 136b | Al doesn't pester human with unattra | active map trades |
| the human side receives only the AI map when exc | | The AI occasionally asks human civs to exchange maps even if the AI map has no value to the human. |
| Changed the rounding of AI trade values to multiples of 5. Makes the implementation of the above change a bit easier. | | Trade values are rounded to a multiple of 10. |
| The AI refuses to accept trades with a value of less than 10 (the equivalent of 5 gold). | | |
| Rationale | These map trades are pointless distractions. | |
| Config | The rounding change is implemented in GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | |

| 137 | Default/ recommended player counts; help text for difficulty levels | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| menu for the | sea level includes recommended he number of players. ("+x% players ed") | When the world size is changed, some player slots are automatically opened or closed in order to match the recommended number of players. No such thing happens when the sea level is changed. |

Rationale

Having the proper number of civs is imo pretty important, and sea level has a big impact on this. The recommendations, if followed, should lead to about the same number of cities per civ as with Normal sea level.

Recommendations weren't my first choice; I had wanted slots to be opened and closed automatically when the sea level changes. This can't be done because the Custom Screen isn't part of the SDK. When slots are opened/closed in response to a world size change, it's possible (through a hack) to also factor in sea level, but then the sea level needs to be configured before the world size, which isn't what players normally do.

Changed the default player number for Standard-size maps to 8 (+1), Large maps to 11 and Huge - 11. (+2) and for Huge maps to 16 (+5). To fine-tune the space per player, I've also reduced the default grid dimensions a little: Duel 32x24, Tiny 48x32, Small 60x40,

Default player counts are Normal - 7, Large - 9

This results in ratios (width * height) / n (where n Tiles per player: 30 for Duel; 34.7 for Tiny; 32 for is the default player number; i.e. tiles per player) Small; 39 for Standard; 46.2 for Large; 58.2 for of 32.5 for Standard; 34.1 for Large and 36.8 for Huge. Huge.

Standard 80x52, Large 100x60, Huge 124x76.

Default dimensions: Duel 40x24, Tiny 52x32, Small 64x40, Standard 84x52, Large 104x64, Huge 128x80.

and yields, on average, roughly the following numbers of resources on Fractal, Medium sea level:

Duel: 45, Tiny: 70, Small: 108, Standard: 180, Large: 260, Huge 370. If one player is added beyond the new default on Large and Huge (i.e. 12 and 17 players respectively), the number of resources per player is about 22 (+/- 1) for all map sizes.

Rationale

It's probably intended that larger maps leave more room for expansion, but the differences shouldn't be that big. To me, settling lots of unclaimed land is a drag. (As for which is more challenging, protracted confrontation probably helps the AI on high difficulty settings. That said, a higher number of civs increases the chances of some civ getting especially lucky with its starting position, and usually, the strongest adversary presents the main challenge.)

The choice for a low player count on Huge maps may have been made for performance reasons; less of a problem with current hardware.

Sparse maps are also bad for trying out <u>UWA!</u>; conflict gets delayed too much.

Config

Civ4WorldInfos.xml

See also

140 adjusts various map size modifiers to match the new player count recommendations.

165 tweaks the dimensions of some particular map scripts to make them work better for the default player counts.

AdvCiv

K-Mod

| Rewrote the English and German help text for each difficulty and speed setting and [unused] for each map size and sea level setting. | | The help text for the sea level and map size settings doesn't seem to be shown anywhere. Help text for difficulty and game speed settings is shown on the final screen ("Snapshot") of the "Play Now" dialog chain. |
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| | | Some of the info is misleading, e.g. it says that Monarch difficulty makes the AI "much smarter" or that Marathon has an entire game's worth of turns in every era. |
| Rationale | I imagine that most players of this mod (wisely) never use "Play Now", but players that do use it might actually believe the info provided in the help text. | |
| | My texts about the difficulty settings and not highly misleading (I hope). | are a bit clunky but at least somewhat informative |

| 138 | Religion assignment when starting in later eras | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| automatically founded religions are assigned based on handicap, Spiritual trait and favorite religion. More specifically, on difficulty settings above Noble, the game prefers to assign religions to AI civs, and on lower difficulty to human civs; always prefers Spiritual leaders and AI leaders whose favorite religion is among those to be founded. The top priority is still to give each civ the same number of religions. The above change only | | After assigning the same number of religions to everyone, the remainder is assigned to a random subset of civs. In particular, favorite religions don't play a role (except possibly with the choose-religions option). |
| • • | that is impossible. | |
| | Religions are hardly shared in games starting in in the Medieval era or later because almost everyone founds a religion. Assigning the religions to civs that like to spread them (Spiritual, favorite religion) should lead to more block-building like in normal games (Ancient start). | |
| Also want to make it more predictable for human players whether they'll get a if there aren't enough to go around: On Emperor difficulty or higher, probably Otherwise, choosing a Spiritual leader should guarantee a religion. | | On Emperor difficulty or higher, probably not. |

| 139 | Al evacuation of cities | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |

| next turn, the combat units receive deficated deunits, the tile defense can evacuate if the dangerous. | is very likely to be lost before the e AI may evacuate some of its is from the city. Units that don't ensive modifiers usually leave, and efensive units usually stay. For other e defense and remaining city in make a difference. Won't try to the path to safety looks too The AI is less willing to abandon than unimportant ones. | The AI only evacuates noncombatants; may even reinforce hopeless cities. | |
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| Rationale | Evacuating units without defensive bonuses and badly injured units seems like a clear improvement. Units with high defensive bonuses can be expected to cause losses to the attacker even when badly outnumbered; might, in particular, draw out the attacker's siege units. | | |
| It's important that a Stack of Doom can't scare away all defenders from se and settle for peace when the evacuated defenders gather for a last stand fairly realistic, but, given the other dynamics of the game, would make concheap. | | | |
| | Fixes the "meatgrinder" exploit, which was still on the BBAI to-do list when the mod was discontinued. | | |
| Config | AI_EVACUATION_THRESH in Globali | Defines_advc.xml | |
| See also | 107 (more offensive Area AI) could help reclaim evacuated cities. | | |
| Reduced AI | trade value for evacuating cities. | The tactical situation does not factor into the Al trade value of a city. | |
| Rationale | The AI should be more willing to give a city away when it thinks that it can't hold onto it, and the recipient (which may or may not be the civ about to conquer the city) should be less willing to pay for such a city. | | |
| See also | 122 deals with other changes to city | trade value. | |
| The AI stations ships only in cities that, for the moment, appear safe from conquest. Also prefers threatened by no hostile units at all or by fewer units than the ship's current tile. Some idle ships are used for guarding resources and patrol, but the rest is moved into some city even if none are safe. | | | |
| | | Upgrade cities are chosen only based on proximity, safety doesn't matter. | |
| See also | In K-Mod, an interaction between a K-Mod and a BBAI change causes idle ships to be stationed in the nearest city regardless of danger. <u>001s</u> deals with that issue and similar ones. | | |
| Rationale | The careless positioning of ships can hurt the AI greatly against savvy players. | | |
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| Tbd. | Should perhaps use a greater maximal range when checking for potential attackers, is currently 3 tiles. Embarked attackers are counted but could be outside this range (still. able to reach the city). | | |
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| | Rather than just flagging cities as safe or evacuating at the start of a turn, a scalar safety rating should be (pre-)computed. | | |
| | While gathering forces for a naval landing, the AI currently loads units into cargo as soon as they reach a tile with a ship; then the units stay in cargo for several turns. This is a needless risk. | | |
| See also | This change doesn't cover threats from civs that the AI isn't at war with, i.e. surprise attacks on the AI navy on the same turn that war is declared. 162 addresses these. | | |
| | | No such safety checks, neither in the BtS code for Great generals nor in the K-Mod code for the other Great Person types. | |
| Credits | Credits Elkad made me aware of the problem in this CFC post. | | |

| 140 | Map-size adjustments (Civ4WorldInfo.xml) | |
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| See also | 910 handles the research modifier based on map size. | |
| | When Civilopedia is accessed from on the map size as a range from Du | the main menu, <u>004y</u> shows numbers that depend lel-size to Huge. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| (maxPlotDi maintenance complicated world-wrap (number of c civs. I.e. the | e map size formula stance) that distance and colony e are based on, using a rather term including map dimensions, (flat/ cylindrical/ toroidal), default ivs, sea level and actual number of more land is available per civ, the stance maintenance per city. | maxPlotDistance is e.g. 55 on Small cylindrical, 72 on Normal cyl., 89 on Large cyl. and 82 on Small flat. That is, the world-wrap type greatly affects distance maintenance. |
| Small, cylind | 10 civs: 71 | |
| The change | also affects mission costs of Spies. | |
| The distance maintenance multiplier set in Civ4WorldInfo.xml starts at 60% on Duel maps and increases in steps of about 7.5 percentage points to 97% on Huge maps. | | 50% on Duel, increases in steps of 10 to 100% on Huge. |
| Rationale | Map diameter shouldn't be so decisive. Empires tend to be circular even on oblong maps or maps without world-wrap. What leads to high distance maintenance is mostly a high number of cities, and if a map has lots of space for each civ, civs shouldn't be punished for filling that space. | |
| | Flat maps are <u>known</u> as a trick for reducing distance maintenance; on high difficulty settings, AI civs pay much less for city maintenance than human civs, and thus the AI civs benefit less from additional maintenance reduction. | |

| | I'm not sure how to set the distance maintenance multiplier in XML; that multiplier and the one based on map diameter cancel each other out to an extent. Usually, BtS adjusts too strongly to map size, so I've reduced the step from one map size to the next a bit. | | |
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| | Not sure if DistanceMaintenancePercent in Civ4WorldInfo.xml should be changed as well. Currently 50% for Duel and increases in steps of 5 to 100% for Huge. This is countered by the maxPlotDistance formula, but only partly I think. | | |
| | | the maxPlotDistance formula; this Git commit ormula into K-Mod. I haven't looked at it in detail, nula. | |
| government on Normal se (lower maxE | ettings; lower cap on smaller maps | There is an XML parameter MAX_DISTANCE_CITY_MAINTENANCE, but this only serves as a weight on maintenance costs; there is no actual limit on the distance or the cost. | |
| | lf a city is very far away from a govel exactly. The BtS cost punishes (very | rnment center, it shouldn't matter how far away) remote colonies too much. | |
| | The distance cap is tied to MAX_DIST GlobalDefines.xml); changing that | | |
| maintenance | e multiplier for number-of-cities is 40% on Duel and decreases in 25% on Huge. | 45% on Duel, 20% on Huge, steps of 5. | |
| | Steps of 5 percentage points would be OK if Duel was at 100%; as it is, the ratio e.g. between Small (35%) and Large (25%) is too large. Or perhaps it would also work if only 9 civs were placed on a Large map, however: | | |
| See also | 137 changes the default number of c | civs per map size. | |
| | Can draft 2 units per turn on Duel-size and Tiny maps, 3 on Small, Standard and Large, and 4 on Large, 5 on Huge. | | |
| national won | number of free bonuses from ders (Broadway, Rock'n'Roll, by 1 on Standard, Large and Huge | 5 on Standard, 6 on Large, 7 on Huge. | |
| | ss multiplier 137% on Duel, n steps of 12.5 to 75% on Huge. | 150% on Duel, decreasing in steps of 20 to 50% on Huge. | |
| • | multiplier 70% on Duel, decreasing in to 33% on Huge. | 80% on Duel, decreasing in steps of 10 to 30% on Huge. | |
| | As above; don't expect the average i larger maps than on smaller ones. | number of cities per civ to be that much higher on | |
| | Corporation maintenance decreases rapidly with increasing map size: 400% on Duel, 50% on Huge. That's probably not ideal. | | |
| The six national wonders with prerequisite puildings require 4 buildings on Duel-size and Tiny, 5/4 on Small (no change), 6/4 on Standard (11/8 rounded up), 6 on Large (12/8) and 7 on Huge (14/8 rounded up). | | | |

| Cathedrals and the Statue of Zeus require 3 Temples/ Monuments on Small maps. | | Consequently, Cathedral and Statue of Zeus, which have a base requirement of 2 buildings, require only 2 buildings on Small maps. |
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| Rationale | Oxford University is almost indispensable for competing in the Industrial era, and e.g. on a Large map with 11 civs (now the default number), it's difficult to acquire peacefully 7 cities where a University makes sense. | |
| | The change to Cathedrals and Statue of Zeus is just a side-effect. | |
| See also | 310 gives the Great Wall a (base) requirement of 1 Wall. | |
| Config | The base numbers of prereq. buildings are set in Civ4BuildingInfos.xml, but I didn't change these. The map-size modifiers are in Civ4WorldInfo.xml. The change to the rounding behavior is in the DLL (CvPlayer.cpp). | |
| Tbd. | Would prefer abilities that scale with the number of buildings, e.g. "Oxford University: +10-15% research (based on map size) per University up to a maximum of 60%". No required number of buildings necessary then. | |

| 141 | No diplo bonus from gifting GP | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Gifting a Great Person (GP) to an AI civ does no affect relations with that AI civ. Like in BtS, only units with positive production cost can boost relations when gifted. | | +1 relations for each gifted GP. |
| Rationale | Too easy to exploit for a diplo victory | /. |
| Tbd. | Gifted military units should only boost relations when the AI has an immediate need for military aid. The relations bonus should probably also be capped; seems exploitable. | |
| | Comment by karadoc in CvUnit::gift: 'It would nice if there was some way this could also reduce "you refused to help us during war time", and stuff like that. But I think that would probably require some additional AI memory.' I don't think this is worth the effort, but perhaps gifted units should count for "you gave us help" instead of "fair trade". | |

| 142 | Master gets a happiness bonus only from the first peace vassal | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The master of a vassal civ receives a happiness bonus only from voluntary vassals, and only the first one counts, i.e. at most +1. | | |

| Rationale | In large games, the stacking happiness bonus, combined with the free luxury resources from vassals, can let master civs ignore happiness altogether. I also don't like that the bonus applies even if just one city is left; this provides an incentive to keep tiny vassals around, which lead to some oddities in global diplomacy (despite my efforts to fix such issues). Also, oppression of capitulated vassals is hardly a point of pride. Should perhaps remove the bonus entirely, but for voluntary vassals "We influence other civilizations" makes some sense, and these vassals are harder to get. |
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| | The anger at the vassal side seems sensible (though unimportant) and can't stack. |
| | Change 130 and related changes (see under <u>130v</u>) remove several disadvantages of vassal agreements for the master, so, as far as game balance goes, I don't think a happiness bonus is needed at all. |

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| 143 | Recently-canceled memory for voluntary vassal agreements (VVA) | |
| VVA with a p | oses 35% of its territory, it cancels the Only capitulated vassals revolt when losing territory (50%). when losing 45%. | |
| Rationale | The vassal can then make peace independently (possibly by capitulating), while the master is justly punished for not having protected its vassal. The third party (possibly human) is faced with a strategic decision: focus attacks on the vassal or the master? In BtS, only attacks on the master can break up the VVA (by lowering the master's power rating). | |
| Config | VASSAL_DENY_OWN_LOSSES_FACTOR in GlobalDefines_advc.xml | |
| powerful end remembers refuses to si agreement is hasn't proted where a cap losing too m this for 30 tu another VVA remembers human.) | when a capitulated vassal breaks free, it often signs a VVA with the same master on the same turn. When a voluntary vassal is near the power threshold for a VVA, the agreement can flicker or and off every few turns. When a capitulated vassal breaks free, it often signs a VVA with the same master on the same turn. When a voluntary vassal is near the power threshold for a VVA, the agreement can flicker or and off every few turns. The first transport of the vassal is near the power threshold for a VVA, the agreement can flicker or and off every few turns. | |
| Rationale | The flickering isn't only goofy, it also means that war preparations against a former vassal can easily get interrupted by a new VVA, which is frustrating. Also, some mechanism is needed to keep a vassal independent for a while when the master has failed to protected it. | |
| 143b | Cancelation and nukes | |

| VVA canceled also after being nuked repeatedly. The threshold is randomized; usually, the vassal doesn't break away until more than half of its cities have been hit. Doesn't cancel if the master has SDI and the vassal does not. | | Only lost territory counts (and only for capitulated vassals). |
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| Master's SD | l protects vassal. | SDI is a team project, but doesn't protect vassal |
| | els VVA if it has any nukes unless | teams. |
| master has SDI and vassal doesn't: "doing fine on our own." | | Vassal's nukes factor into its power rating, but a single nuke doesn't usually make a difference. |
| Capitulated vassals don't build nukes. When a team capitulates, all it's nukes are scrapped. | | Vassals don't hold back on anything. |
| Nukes can't be gifted (between any civs). | | Can gift nukes to circumvent the diplo penalties. |
| Rationale | SDI is supposed to be an array of space-based lasers. Should be able to intercept any nukes that the SDI owner wants to intercept. | |
| | Vassals that are powerful enough to | build nukes should stand on their own. |
| See also | 130v makes the master responsible for nukes fired by a capitulated vassal (obsolete now that vassals can't have nukes). | |
| | 112 cancels VVA when near victory and stops capitulated vassals from pursuing victory. | |
| Tbd. | A cancelation condition based on present population vs. population when signed might be better. | |
| | May want to scrap other units upon capitulation too, probabilistically. E.g. when France surrendered to the Third Reich, the French navy was partly scuttled. | |

| 144 | Al gift request (part of the DDiplo ch | anges) |
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| See also | 130v exempts vassals from this change and prevents vassals from granting gifts to rivals or to a disliked master. 130o deals with memory about tribute demands. 104m: Some gift requests are triggered during war planning. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| gift requests That probab CONTACT_GI and 32% (S | s with a leader-specific probability. bility is based on ContactRand: LVE_HELP and between 5% (Gandhi) itting Bull, Montezuma). I'm capping ity at 50% for Tokugawa, otherwise | The only randomized aspect of the AI response to a gift request is the decay of recent-demand memory: The request is refused if the AI still remembers an earlier request (or tribute demand). So, the first request is handled without randomness, and if a previous request is far enough in the past, it's very likely forgotten (the expected time to forget is 20 turns). |
| war against the player (no change). freque | | CONTACT_GIVE_HELP determines only how frequently an AI leader offers a gift to human civs that have fallen behind. |
| Rationale | Shouldn't be able to use requests to determine reliably if the AI is preparing war. It's semi-decidable now – if a request is granted, then the AI certainly isn't plotting. That said, they might start on the very next turn | |
| | In BtS, CONTACT_GIVE_HELP is irrelevant for experienced players; it's nice to give this an actual use. | |

not decreased while there is a peace treaty between the two civs. Gift requests are rejected during a peace treaty unless the AI remembers receiving a gift from the player (and that case the peace treaty may well result from a gift to the AI).

Likewise, the AI won't ask for a gift during peace treaty unless the human player (i.e. the proxy AI) remembers having received one or when fewer than 4 turns of peace remain. Will only ask for tribute during a peace treaty if it's about to expire (1 turns remaining).

Memory about requests and rejected demands is Can decrease on any turn. Al may grant gifts when there is already a peace treaty.

Rationale

To increase the time in between granted requests. A bit too easy in BtS to keep a Pleased AI from planning war: can reliably sign a peace treaty about every 25 turns, which leaves just 15 turns in between, which can sometimes be bridged by asking the Al to attack a third party (which results in a peace treaty; see change 146). My change makes this tactic unsustainable.

Could argue that "begging for peace" shouldn't ever be a tactic. I like that it makes Pleased attitude relevant even for warlike leaders. Think of it as a Reinsurance Treaty. I don't like that this is something only humans can use.

(Could alternatively merge DarkLunaPhantom's one-sided peace treaties.)

| AdvCiv | K-Mod | |
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| Al refuses gift request if planning war against the player, and refuses with a high probability if war utility is positive (but not yet planning war). | Only refuses if already planning war against the player. (In BtS, the AI doesn't take the resulting peace treaty into account at all; grants request regardless of war plans.) | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |
| When asking for a gift, the AI asks for the tech that it needs most, with a bias for cheap tech. | The requested tech is chosen uniformly at random. | |
| Dationals Which took the Alegae for deposit house to be uppredictable, no need for any renders | | |

Rationale

Which tech the AI asks for doesn't have to be unpredictable; no need for any random element (though the AI function that I'm using now, AI bestTech, does have a random element). If cost is ignored, the most useful tech tends to be expensive, and I don't want the AI to ask for expensive tech all the time. On the other hand, the AI shouldn't ask for cheap tech often because this makes the decision of the human player too easy. Hence tech cost is given some weight but not full weight.

When asking for tribute, the AI is likely (threefold The demanded tech is chosen uniformly at needs most, though techs that no other civ knows yet remain off-limits.

increased probability) to demand the tech that it random from among those techs that at least two civs know.

Rationale

Not quite the same procedure as for gifts because I wanted to keep the exception for cutting-edge tech; picking (with certainty) the most useful tech that is known to at least two civs would've been a bit awkward to implement because of the signature of the CvPlayerAI::AI techVal function.

Is the exception really a good idea? Maybe yes: The civ that receives tribute remains a threat in the medium or long term, so yielding to that civ an edge in (military) tech is rarely going to be prudent.

| 145 | No diplo bonus from accepted favorite civic/ religion if no longer in that civic/ religion | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| The diplo bonus from having accepted an Al civ's religion or favorite civic decays much faster if the human civ isn't presently in that civic or religion, or if the Al civ is no longer in the civic or religion. | | The bonus lasts for an expected 100 turns, regardless of whether the player keeps the civic/religion. Can switch out after 5 turns. |
| Likewise, the penalty for refusing the fav. civic/ religion decays faster if the human civ is now in that civic/ religion, or if the AI civ has switched out of it. | | |
| | Switching right back is a bit cheap, especially with the Spiritual trait. Until v0.95, the relations modifier was suspended instead of decaying faster, but I think that made it too unattractive to accept AI requests. | |
| See also | Part of the <u>DDiplo</u> changes. | |

| 146 | Hired (sponsored) war results in a peace treaty | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When a civ agrees to declare war on another civ No peace treaty; can ask someone to start a vat the request of a third civ, the civ declaring war and immediately attack that someone. and the third civ automatically sign a 10-turn peace treaty. | | |
| Rationale | A bit of a loophole in BtS. Also want to be sure that the AI doesn't attack a human that has just paid it to attack someone else; not a problem in BtS because the AI only fights one war at a time, but could be a problem with UWAI. | |
| See also | Part of the <u>DDiplo</u> changes. Change <u>100</u> is also about sponsored wars (mostly UI changes). When there is already a peace treaty between the sponsor and the civ declaring war, <u>032</u> causes that peace treaty to be prolonged. | |

| 147 | Changes to border tensions | |
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| See also | 004g changes the explanation text from "close borders" to "shared borders". (The formula works a bit differently if <u>035</u> is enabled.) | |
| AdvCiv | iv BtS | |
| at most equa | al to the mean of the city's current and its highest-ever population, or at chever is higher. | No such per-city limit. A size-1 city enclosed by foreign borders can contribute 20 lost tiles. The number of lost tiles is then divided by the total number of owned tiles and multiplied by a personality factor to compute the diplo penalty from border tensions. |

| Rationale | _ | le city choked city; this can easily happen in BtS, n't like when high culture leads to painful diplo |
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| | This change reduces border tensions even that out: | s a bit overall, and the following change should |
| the AI civ ca | civ steals tiles from a neighbor that n't work because they're too far away | There's only a diplo penalty for stealing tiles from the AI, not vice versa. |
| about this. T whereas the AI civ is 8. B percentage I territory and decreases a | s, then the AI civ is slightly upset the multiplier for those tiles is 5, multiplier for tiles stolen from the oth weights are multiplied by a based on the size of the AI civ's the map size; this multiplier s more territory is acquired and near 50% by the end of the Classical | The weight for stolen tiles is 3. |
| with another The result is | civ (no matter if tiles are stolen) is 5. capped at 40, and no border tiles if the border length is less than 5 | If the border is longer than 7 tiles, a flat penalty of 40 is counted. In the end, the total penalty is divided by 100 and multiplied by the AI leader's CloseBordersAttitudeChange value (between 1 and 4; no change). |
| Rationale | Count unworkable tiles because I don't want change <u>099b</u> (culture decay in foreign city radii) to reduce border tensions. Should also encourage civs to put at least enough effort into culture to prevent a no man's land that no civ can work (which is implausible at peacetime). Makes sense to me that the AI is annoyed by not being able to work the tiles that it owns and is inclined to remedy this by conquering the cities near those tiles. | |
| | | e total size of the territory because, to a civ that be a big deal, but not to a civ with 10 cities. |
| | | mmon border penalty to stolen tiles because, eally shouldn't be much bad blood. The BtS |
| Tbd. | tiles. Easy enough to do in CvPlayer e.g. exponentiating iPercent in the | rease sublinearly with the weighted sum of stolen rAI::AI_updateCloseBorderAttitudeCache by end with 0.7 and then times 3, but maybe a uch more easily than -3 or -4 (this would be the |
| Stolen tiles v double. | with a bonus resource are counted | Every stolen tile counts as 1 tile. |
| Tbd. | | tile fractional and take into account yields as well. ile evaluation function in the CvCityAI or |

| 148 | Relations to attitude mapping of the AI changed | |
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| AdvCiv | BtS | |

At a relations value of 4, the AI becomes
Pleased, at -2 Annoyed, at -8 Furious, at 10 (no change) Friendly. Human players receive no relations penalty from any of the difficulty settings. On the lowest three difficulty settings, humans receive relations bonuses ("a first impression ...") of 3, 2 and 1 respectively.

Rationale

In effect, this makes Friendly 1 easi was too much considering that mos Pleased and are willing to trade tect great. Apart from this, the main ben

Pleased at 3, Annoyed at -3, Furious at -10. On Noble difficulty and above, all relations suffer a penalty of -1. On Chieftain, humans get +1 relations from AI civs and on Settler +2.

In effect, this makes Friendly 1 easier. A distance of 7 between Pleased and Friendly was too much considering that most AI civs are already very unlikely to start a war at Pleased and are willing to trade tech. The additional benefits of Friendly aren't that great. Apart from this, the main benefit is that the player sees the "A first impression ..." line much less in the game. It was a bit silly to tell the player that he/she is making a bad first impression everywhere.

The downside is that players have to relearn the thresholds, and that Pleased and Annoyed (and Friendly and Furious) are no longer symmetrical. Tough call. At first, I had meant to increase the Pleased threshold by one more for balance reasons, which would've broken the symmetry anyway. It turned out that this made it too hard to please the AI, so I rather made the bonuses from OB and resource trade more difficult to attain, but kept the change to first-impression diplo.

Furious at -8 (not -9) means that the AI gets Furious a bit faster than previously. I'm not sure if that's an improvement, but I don't want the fury threshold to be *almost* symmetrical with the friendship threshold (-9 vs. +10). -10 would make the Annoyed interval too long and Friendly/ Furious being symmetrical when Pleased/ Annoyed aren't wouldn't be good either.

See also

The <u>DDiplo</u> changes to relations modifiers arguably make it a bit harder to have very good relations with the AI.

The <u>Show Hidden Attitude</u> mod makes the BtS relations penalty from difficulty visible to the player.

Friendly attitude causes the AI to vote for someone in a victory vote; Pleased is not enough.

+8 relations needed for a victory vote.

Rationale

This makes it 1 harder to get the victory vote, which should still be manageable. More importantly, the +8 threshold was a bit of an obscure oddity; much easier to remember that Friendly attitude is required.

See also

115b: Al won't vote for victory when itself at victory stage 4.

Al civs have a +0.3 bonus to "first impression" relations (cf. <u>130b</u>) on difficulty settings lower than Prince. From Prince to Deity, the bonus increases from 0.4 to 0.9.

No diplomatic handicaps for human players, though the Al-specific portion of the "first impression" modifier (i.e. from peace weight and warmonger respect) is more often positive than negative.

| Rationale | This was a bit of an accident. Until v0.93, I had assumed that the BtS relations penalty (-1) applied only to human-AI relations, and I had meant to replace this with a +1 bonus on AI-AI relations. Now that diplomacy overall is balanced around the inter-AI bonus, I'm finding it a bit difficult to remove it entirely; I don't like when AI leaders are Annoyed at each other from the beginning. |
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| | Relations bonuses from "fair and forthright" trade are generally easier to attain for humans than for the AI, and some relations bonuses tied to AI requests are only available to humans. This is evened out by relations penalties for rejected requests, but not entirely, one could argue. Let's say that the AI bonus makes up for these asymmetries. |
| See also | <u>250d</u> removes a few minor advantages that the AI receives through the difficulty level. |

| 149 | Diplo modifier from resource trade | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| from another civ, the resource trade counter of the AI is incremented twice per turn, each time with the same probability (cf. 130k). This | | The counter is incremented once (with probability 1) per turn for each received resource. It doesn't matter how many resources the AI civ already has, how useful they are or how many resources the other civ has. |
| The resource trade counter is decreased by 1.7% per turn when no more resources are received through trade, but can also decrease if the increment probability becomes too low. | | The counter is only decreased if 0 resources are received through trade. The decrement is 1 plus one quarter of the number of cities owned by the Al civ. |
| The resource trade counter can't increase beyond 125. | | The counter can increase indefinitely. |
| Resources from vassal tribute deals are counted only partially. | | |
| Rationale | Same as $\underline{130i}$: Make the AI harder to with $\underline{130k}$. | please. The exponential decrease is consistent |
| See also | Part of the <u>DDiplo</u> changes. 036 changes the evaluation of resounder shows AI resource trade counter | rce utility. rs in Debug mode (Alt+Ctrl on an owned tile). |

| 150a | Switch to no state religion | |
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| AdvCiv | BtS | |
| See also | $\underline{100}$ adds sponsored wars and brokered peace to the replay log. $\underline{106}$ excludes some things. | |
| 150 | Additions to the replay log | |

| | | Religion changes are logged and announced, as are civics changes to Free Religion. |
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| Rationale | Can also switch to no religion without adopting Free Religion, and that's worth logging. | |
| See also | 151 below | |
| 150b | Results of diplo votes | |
| proposals in city to be rea | essful UN and Apostolic Palace cluding targets (e.g. the name of the assigned), the civ who made the d the vote tally. | Replay only shows the vote tally for and against, without naming the proposal. |
| Rationale | Rationale Since I'm including the name of the Secretary-General/ AP Resident when recording proposals, there should be no need to record the Secretary-General elections. | |
| 151 | Message about changed religion or | civic indicates the earlier civic or religion |

| 152 | War trade (sponsored/hired war) indicators on Glance tab | |
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| AdvCiv | | BUG |
| tab (enabled tab (Foreigr | ption "War Trades" on the Advisors d by default). If checked, the Glance n Advisor screen) shows a fist icon der is willing to declare war on anothe | The Glance tab shows icons for war and worst enemies. The BUG Military Advisor shows war trades (and embargo trades) on the Sit-Rep tab. |
| | er shows a fist icon on the scoreboard K-Mod prior to v1.46). | The fist icon is shown on the scoreboard when an AI civ is <i>not</i> willing to start any wars. |
| Rationale | Rationale Don't want to use the BUG Military Advisor; too much stuff. On the Glance tab, the indicators don't require extra space because ongoing war (swords icon) and willingness to start a war (fist icon) are mutually exclusive. | |
| See also | 210a adds an alert for war trades, b when the player loses track of the tr | ut this is no use when a savegame is loaded or ades mentioned in alerts. |

| 153-154, | unassigned |
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| 157-159 | |

| 155 | Changes to team games | |
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| See also | Also merged some changes to team rules from Kek-Mod; see <u>dlph</u> . | |
| Tbd. | Hardly tested. | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |

| team are cor trades propo | osed to the AI by a member of its nsidered with more goodwill than sed by members of other teams, but if they're very uneven. | The AI accepts gift requests ("sure would come in handy") and gifts from team members. Can't even ask the AI to offer a trade. |
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| remembers (| eject gift requests by a teammate. It granted requests and forgets them a gift requests from non-members. | Always accepts gift requests and doesn't remember them; i.e. the human can ask as frequently as he/she likes. (Whereas the Alremembers both granted and rejected requests |
| | kt for a gift request to a team member would come in handy." | from non-members and refuses to consider further requests while still remembering an earlier one.) |
| Rationale | | uppet in human-AI teams. Should feel more like being, and these have their own opinions and v. |
| | Kept the special diplo text because of treatment (e.g. forgotten faster). | gift requests to team members still get a special |
| AdvCiv | | Unofficial Patch |
| A human car civics or relig | n't offer to an AI teammate to switch gion. | Can offer this to the AI. Not sure if the AI appreciates it in any way. Probably a bug. |
| Rationale | The AI can't judge whether it benefits | s from a human civics or religion change. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS/BUG |
| on the score team (and al | es, team membership is color-coded board: Civs belonging to the same so their vassals) have their score text color of the (master) team | BUG adds an option for grouping vassals with their masters (enabled by default in AdvCiv), but there's no way to indicate team membership on the scoreboard. Scores are always shown in white. |
| Rationale | Hard to tell which team is doing well | when team membership isn't shown. |
| Config | Can be disabled through the "Scores" tab of the BUG menu (option "Color-Code Teams"). | |
| Tbd. | to add team number to BUG scorebo | cult to read. Perhaps DarkLunaPhantom's "option pard" is a bit better (Git commits <u>1</u> <u>2</u>)? It's very so offer it alongside the color-coding option. |
| See also | <u>004v</u> : Other changes to scoreboard text. | |

| 156 | Penalty for shared research goals in | a team |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| researching modifiers are points. The AI disreg | le members of a team are the same technology, their research e decreased by 10 percentage gards the research goal of may or may not choose the same | The research cost modifier of a team is increased by 50 percentage points per member beyond the first (still the case in AdvCiv), but whether the team members are researching the same technology isn't a factor. When an AI civ needs to select a tech to research, it always picks one that another team member is already researching. |

| Rationale | The BtS mechanism (teams basically always research one tech at a time) is OK, but the penalty should result in more interesting decisions. | |
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| Config | Can be tweaked or disabled in Glob | alDefines_advc.xml. |
| See also | 910 shows a breakdown of research | modifiers in tech hover text. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS/ K-Mod |
| sound is played when a tech is discovered by a teammate. Otherwise, the tech quote is played. | | The tech splash screen is never shown in networked multiplayer games (still true in AdvCiv). BtS always plays the "you have discovered sound" along with the message about any newly discovered tech. K-Mod instead always plays the tech quote. (Comment in the code: "the 'MP' sound is boring.") |
| Rationale | Want to give the "you have discovered" sound some use. Should make it easier to distinguish between own discoveries and those of teammates – now that the members of a team usually research different technologies each. | |

| 160 | Food after starvation | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| After a city with a Granary loses population from starvation, the food store of the Granary is emptied into the city's food store. The Granary's capacity is only 40% of the city's capacity. | | Whenever food is added to the city's store, the same amount of food is added to the Granary's store. The maximal capacity of the Granary is 50% of the city's store (whose capacity is 10 + 2 * population). After growth, the Granary's store is added to the city's store, but the store of the Granary isn't emptied. The Granary provides no food after starvation. |
| Rationale | The Granary already provided some protection against starvation by providing a cushion after growth and helping regrow lost population. However, the cushion is just 15 food in a size-10 city. If such a city has balanced health and can't get extra food by reassigning citizens (the AI often doesn't have unworked Farms), a poisoned water supply will consume the 15 food in two turns, and then kill 6 population. My change essentially doubles the cushion, meaning that only 3 population would be killed, which seems much more reasonable. It's not a big issue for human players, but, in the Industrial era, the AI can become very vulnerable to poisoned water. | |
| It's strange that the Granary isn't emptied when a city grows, but normally irrelewould be refilled by the time the city grows again), and actually convenient for starvation mechanism; don't need a separate food store this way. | | grows again), and actually convenient for my anti- |
| | | ered to be the most powerful building in the game, and I had planned to reduce the amount of stored |
| Config | The capacity change is an XML cha | nge (Civ4BuildingInfos.xml). |
| Tbd. | Nerf Slavery and Drafting; this will m | nake Granary far less powerful. |
| See also | 912d: No Slavery option | |

| 161 | Probability of war trades check | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
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| with a per-tu hireling com p(t) = 10 / (I where t is th DWTR is De Civ4Leader this results i just started next turn etc | siders hiring another AI civ for war urn probability of <i>p</i> for each potential nputed as follows: DWTR + 10 * min{10,t}), The number of turns spent at war and eclareWarTradeRand in readInfos.xml. For DWTR=40, in a probability of 1/4 when a war has (0 turns spent at war), 1/5 on the c. down to a lower bound of 1/14 his spent at war. | DeclareWarTradeRand is 40 for all leaders except Pacal, whose DWTR value is 60. Regardless of DWTR, the BtS formulas result in p=1 when the war is 0 turns old. For DWTR=40, p is 1/(t+1) for the next three turns, and, for t=4 to t=10 gradually decreases to 1/40. |
| Rationale | the checks on subsequent turns were reasons – the number of (hireling, wounder of civs. That said, most of the (attitude toward the sponsor and | after 0 turns was intended. If so, then perhaps re made probabilistic only for performance var target) pairs grows quadratically with the ne pairs are usually eliminated by attitude checks ward the target), so I'm not too worried about teems too high to me in the beginning and to low an accident. |
| Tbd. | see before bringing in help (DWTR= 100) and some take all the help they | WTR values so that some leaders tend to wait and :60), some hardly ever do (DWTR=80 or even y can get asap (DWTR=20). Proud and miserly d profligate leaders a low one. I'm finding it difficult es though. Tentative: |
| | 3xDWTR=20: Huayna Capac, Louis, Justinian 11xDWTR=40: Hannibal, Suryavarman, Mansa Musa, Hatshepsut, Hammurabi, Montezuma, Saladin, Churchill, De Gaulle, Roosevelt, Augustus Caesar 14xDWTR=50: Cyrus, Brennus, Julius Caesar, Willem, Pericles, Pacal, Catherine, Washington, Joao, Boudica, Frederick, Bismarck, Wang Kon, Peter 6xDWTR=80: Alexander, Shaka, Genghis Khan, Qin Shi Huang, Gandhi, Kublai Khan, 2xDWTR=100: Tokugawa, Sitting Bull 16xDWTR=60: the rest | |

| 162 | Rule changes against surprise attac | KS |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| enemy borde spent. That in be unloaded units that car Carrack, Sub | ers have all their movement points ncludes units in cargo, so they can't right away. Exception: Air units and | Through cargo ships, one can attack any coastal city right after declaring war. In particular, the attacked civ doesn't get a chance to relocate civilians, missiles and ships in port, nor to engage the cargo ships (and their escort) in a naval battle. |
| Config | Disabled by default through Civ4Gl | obalDefines_advc.xml. |

| Rationale | See <u>this</u> CFC thread, and maybe also <u>this</u> one. |
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| | I wasn't quite happy with this change from the start. A border (in the sea) is very much not an obstacle, so the loss of movement points is implausible. I also don't like that naval invasions and bombardment from coastal waters (i.e. when the two war parties share a land border) are affected by this. Fast deployment is the only reason to use navies in a land war. |
| | In testing, I also found it easy to forget about the change. It does what it was supposed to do, i.e. grant the defender an extra turn for attacks on unescorted transports, but that just comes up so rarely. |
| Tbd. | Have ships that unload units outside a friendly city or fort spend all movement points and maintain a connection between the ship and its cargo for another turn, depicted by the UI as some sort of overlay and labeled as "disembarking". When a disembarking ship is destroyed some or all of its cargo is destroyed as well. The idea is to expose the transported units to naval attacks for another turn without making them invulnerable to attacks by land and without slowing down unopposed landings. Will have to make sure that the AI considers naval attacks on ships that are unloading before considering land attacks on the disembarking units. Amphibic units should probably be exempt, i.e. debark instantly and perhaps even with full moves. |
| | Alternatively, some super-light version of zones of control might work, e.g. "Transport ships can't unload next to a hostile ship with equal or higher strength (unless they have full moves?)" or, disregarding ships in cities: "Transport ships can't unload next to a water tile with a hostile unit (unless they have full moves?)." Such a rule is more plausible than the current one based on border crossings, should be easier to remember and doesn't affect naval bombardment in land wars (nor transportation if only one side has ships). Would require some work on the AI though — escorts will have to decide whether to attack defending ships (possibly leaving the transports unguarded), transports have to decide whether to wait for a landing spot to be cleared or to find a different one, and CvUnitAI::AI_guardCoast Should at least show an effort to protect the AI's coast against surprise landings. |
| | More important: Find some way to prevent surprise attacks on Workers. E.g. allow civilians (probabilistically?) to "escape" to a nearby friendly city when attacked. |
| See also | 010 disables Worker stealing, but I don't necessarily want to keep it that way, and Workers can still be killed. |
| | 164 makes the Blitz promotion easier to access; that promotion is helpful for destroying unescorted cargo ships before they can unload. |

| 163 | Teleported ("bumped") units have all their movement points spent | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS/K-Mod |
| allow it to oc when Open movement p automation is | cupy its current tile – i.e. mostly Borders are canceled –, all oints of the unit are spent, its s removed (e.g. if it was set to auto- it is woken up so that it'll ask for | The movement points of the unit are unaffected by the forced move. K-Mod deletes all missions queued for that unit, but doesn't de-automate it and doesn't wake it up; e.g. a Scout that was fortified in foreign territory will continue to fortify after getting teleported and won't ask for new orders. |

| Rationale | Don't want players to use teleportation as a means of re-deploying units; can't prevent this entirely, but using up movement points is a start. It's also more plausible that even a forced move costs movement points. |
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| | The wake-up and de-automation are just usability improvements. |
| See also | 046 makes minor changes to the selection of the tile that a bumped unit teleports to. 122 fixes an issue with units getting bumped out spuriously after liberating a city under occupation. |

| 164 | Changes to the Blitz promotion | | |
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| Config | Civ4PromotionInfos.xml | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| | omotion requires Military Science and either Combat III or Drill I. | Military Science and Combat III. (K-Mod had allowed Drill III as an alternative requirement.) | |
| Rationale | | s, Battleships, Submarines) more common ercept an (unescorted) naval invasion; cf. <u>162</u> . | |
| Tbd. | Or perhaps requiring Drill II would a | good compromise. | |
| can receive t the proper co Helicopter or | ore than 1 move and paratroopers the Blitz promotion if they also have ombat class (Mounted, Armored, Naval; no change). The extra move om the Morale promotion. | No special clause for paratroopers, and the unit type needs to have more than 1 move, i.e. Morale doesn't help. | |
| Tbd. | This still doesn't allow Paratroopers and Gunpowder units with a Great Warlord to receive Blitz because Gunpowder units aren't allowed to have Blitz. I'm reluctant to change this because Mechanized Infantry could become too similar to Tank if it's allowed to have Blitz. Not sure how to solve this problem. | | |
| Blitz allows ι turn. | units to make one extra attack per | The number of attacks is only limited by the number of movement points. E.g. a Destroyer could make 7 attacks per turn or (depending on promotions) even more. | |
| Rationale | Blitz Destroyers are too goofy and a accessible for level-3 units. | lso a bit too powerful; can't have that if Blitz is | |

| 165 | Dimensions of individual map scripts adjusted | |
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| AdvCiv | BtS | |

| • | grid dimensions of Hemispheres, Or Small, Pangaea and Tectonics. | These maps use the default dimensions set in Civ4WorldInfos.xml. Their land/sea ratios are also comparable, however, e.g. Not Too Big Or Small (K-Mod's version of Big Or Small) has a much longer coastline than Pangaea and thus a higher number of resources, of decent tiles and, ultimately, of city sites. |
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| Terra uses the dimensions only slightly larger than the new defaults (see change 137). | | Terra was using the grid dimensions of the next higher map size; e.g. a Large Terra map resulted in Huge dimensions. Developer comment in Terra.py: "Enlarge the grids! According to Soren, Earth-type maps are usually huge anyway." |
| See also | default dimensions are tailored for F don't need custom grids. | sions and player counts for each map size. The Fractal and Continents; therefore, these scripts lefault dimensions, but I've tweaked the land/sea ectonics script. |
| Rationale | So that the default player counts result in a about the same amount of space for peaceful expansion on all these maps. Those with uninhabited continents (e.g. Terra) should, in my opinion, have a more room once these continents become reachable, but less room initially (compared with e.g. Pangaea). I'm not sure if it's the land ratio or perhaps the resource placement, but the Old World in Terra isn't usually very crowded with the default grid size and player count. "Earth-type map = huge" may be true about scenarios (because the coastlines become unrecognizable at smaller sizes), but shouldn't matter for randomized scripts. | |
| | | tart with a letter before "F" because I want Fractal m Game screen. The ordering can't be modded changed (see below). |
| | (in fact I had done this for a few maps until under "Play Now", so most players never so Game screen: The displayed map name ("I name (to e.g. "Terra - extra players recomm Terra. I've tried adding a dummy drop-down | d add player count recommendations to the map description AdvCiv 0.95), but such recommendations are only shown see them. As for adding a recommendation on the Custom Ferra") is the name of the map script file, and changing this file hended") would result in a second map, listed in addition to menu with a single choice, but apparently at least 2 choices be easy to miss because the default menus (which all maps |

| 170 | (Reserved for an overhaul of religion) | |
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| 170a | Diplomacy | |
| See also | 145 applies accepted-religion memory only so long as the religion is shared. 115b changes how a favorite religion affects the utility of the Theocracy civic. 150a: religions in replays 106e, 151: notifications about religions 131: Al switches its state religion probabilistically | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |
| Rationale | | |
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| 171 | Founding and spread of religions by | the AI |
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| Tbd. | | ounding a second city or hitting the happiness cap on should avoid founding earlier religions. |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| to found ("Cl the favorite i none specific | leader gets to choose which religion noose Religions" game option) and sn't available (already founded or ed), that leader chooses the religion apest tech requirement. | Chooses uniformly at random. |
| Rationale | If the preference of the leader can't be matched, at least try to match the game year by picking religions in chronological order. | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| ries tend to a | ring war against a civ, AI missiona- avoid spreading religions to the war ligion spread when war is imminent. | War plans don't affect AI religion spread. |
| Tbd. | | ssionaryValue and CvUnitAI:: rget evaluation function. Not an easy task deas differently and the results aren't on the same |

| 178 | Changes to Apostolic Palace (AP) a | Changes to Apostolic Palace (AP) and United Nations (UN) votes | |
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| See also | dlph.25 allows AP war votes against voting members. 130f allows embargo votes to sever recent deals. | | |
| Tbd. | Several gameplay changes, most importantly to the membership rules. The only thing done so far (apart from dlph.25): A temporary adjustment of the City AI evaluation of the AP as a vote source. Assigns 0 value when the state religion is shared by no other civ. Will have to replace that with code estimating the potential for spreading the AP religion after/ while building the AP. (Don't want to force an AI civ that has just founded Christianity to spread that religion around before being allowed to build the AP.) | | |
| | Some players really hate the AP vice address this. | tory. The change to the membership rules will | |
| See also | 115b only counts vote source utility when aiming at a religious victory; that'll also have to change. | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| | don't require Diplo victory to be ut the victory votes do. | Can't build AP and UN when Diplo victory is disabled. | |
| Rationale | The AI can handle this. Disabling Diplo victory without disabling all votes is requested on the CFC forums from time to time (two examples). Seems like players generally don't dislike voting, just the victory votes, either for reasons of game balance/ fairness (mostly AP) or because they find it irrational that the AI civs will vote for a rival's victory. That said, some non-victory AP votes appear to be problematic in multiplayer (the RtR mod disables them; see under "Miscellaneous" here); will have to disable them through XML then. | | |

| _ | | ingInfos.xml. Individual votes can be disabled h this may break savegame compatibility). |
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| The "None" option in the popup that asks the player to select a resolution explains that this will trigger an early election. (Unless the vote cycle is ending either way.) | | |
| Rationale | The early-election mechanism is OK | , but needs to be communicated to the player. |

| 179 | Changes to the production ability of | Apostolic Palace (AP) |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| actual-effects text (<alt> key).</alt> | | The only mention of the production bonus is buried in the "BtS Concepts" page about the Apostolic Palace. Actual-effects (BUG mod) shows the bonus when hovering over religious buildings but not when hovering over the AP. |
| The AI evaluation of the AP includes the production bonus, taking into account religious buildings that already exist and that could still be built, future religion spread and the effects on other civs and diplo relations with those civs. | | The production bonus is ignored by the BtS AI. There is BBAI code that factors the bonus into the evaluation of religious buildings but not the evaluation of the AP itself. |
| Rationale | | n't be a secret. It's tied to the AP vote source ne building, but that's a technicality that players |
| Tbd. | Reduce the production bonus to 1 and give religious buildings +1 production from a trait once/ if I get around to revising the leader traits. | |
| See also | 008a shows some of the restrictions for AP only when they apply. 008e drops the "The" from the AP's name. | |

| 180 | Damage to cities upon conquest | |
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| See also | 139: Al evacuation of cities 001f: Cities remain revealed after conquest 023: Occupation countdown after conquest 099: Immortal culture 101, 099c: Revolt probability 116: Al razing 130w: Relations penalty for cities with foreign culture | |
| Tbd. | Damage shouldn't be caused primarily upon conquest but during attacks, bombardment and unrest. Dawn of Civilization and Civ 4 Reimagined have already implemented such changes. | |
| | Capture gold needs to be reduced; perhaps only grant it when razing. | |
| | Shouldn't be possible to raze in a single turn. (Use a separate change id for that though.) | |
| | Bombardment and razing should perhaps also affect war weariness. | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |

| | | "Reconquest" means that the new owner has the highest city culture – indeed, that can't happen if the new owner hasn't owned the city at some earlier point. |
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| | | Defensive buildings have a iConquestProb of 0%, which means that they're always destroyed except upon reconquest or cession. Buildings with the bNeverCapture flag are destroyed even upon reconquest. (In ceded cities, even the nevercapture buildings remain intact.) Only cultural buildings (Monument, Library, University, Theater, Temple, Monastery, Cathedral) have the nevercapture flag. |
| Config | Civ4BuildingInfos.xml | |
| Rationale | Since there has to be a conquest before a reconquest, iConquestProb=0 vs. bNeverCapture=true really only makes a difference for buildings that the "transient" owner has constructed. Don't want Walls of that player to benefit the "new old" owner because its somewhat unexpected and because I don't want to discourage players from fortifying newly conquered cities. | |
| | For unique buildings, the never-capture flag is mostly superfluous – but not entirely: when two or more players have the same civilization type, unique buildings can be captured. | |
| | Don't want to destroy Bunkers and Bomb Shelters upon reconquest because those are notoriously difficult to demolish in reality. They have an iConquestProb of 66%. | |

| 181-199 | unassigned |
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| 200 | Reverted K-Mod changes; see chapter on <u>K-Mod</u> |
| Tbd. | Rebalance culture victory. Something to make up for the halved culture bonus from Free Speech. (K-Mod gives Colosseum +20% culture, but I don't like that; <i>ludi</i> should be happiness, not culture.) |

| 210 | Additional Civ4lerts |
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| See also 135b makes MoreCiv4lerts work in Hotseat 106c prevents Civ4lerts from triggering after loading a savegame 106d changes the default settings for BUG alerts and disables some alert trigger 127 suspends alert updates during AI Auto Play 071 shows a message when first meeting a rival; configurable on the "Alerts" tab | |
| huge. Inste | ling a second Alert tab to the BUG menu for the new alerts – the BUG menu is already ead, I'm removing BUG alerts to make room; some aren't really useful in a mod like ners are made obsolete by the new alerts. |
| see how th | Ithough the space isn't needed yet: "peace treaty", "pending border expansion". I don't e latter could be useful, and the former is subsumed by the "willing to talk" alert. ade the Reminder options a bit more compact. |
| Tbd. | Get rid of the "willing to sign Open Borders" and voluntary vassal alerts. Instead simply have the AI contact humans right away when it becomes willing (the turn on |

which a human discovers Writing will need special treatment). Merge the Permanent Alliance, voluntary vassal and capitulation alerts in order to make more room. '<team1> has signed|canceled Open Borders with <team2>." 'You have gained|lost access to a source of <bonus> (now <n> sources)." 'The peace treaty between <team1> and <team2> has ended." "<team1> is willing to make peace with <team2>." 'Can now|no longer access demographics about <civ>." '<team1> has discovered <tech> [(trade from <team2>)]. [Obsoleted wonders: ...]" '<team1> is willing to stop trading with <team2>." But what about embargoes that the AI would agree to if the player didn't have any deals with the target?) "5 turns have passed since the last revolution: it's again possible to change civics." '<leader> can be convinced to convert to <religion>." 'The enemy has been spotted near <city>." (Currently, the game reports the same enemy time and again; should work better as a Civ4lert that remembers which enemy units had already been visible on the previous turn. Sentry [0041] already works this way.) and possibly: 'A tile near <citv1> has flipped to <citv2>." (How to describe the tile?) <!<leader1> is now [e.g.]furious toward y (was annoyed)." Can cancel this deal with <leader>: you're receiving <item list1> for <item list2>." <leader> has constructed a <building>[the <national wonder> in <city>." (cf. 045) 'You|<leader> have|has overtaken <leader>|you in military power." The military power of <leader> has increased substantially over the last 10 turns." (probably too noisy) 'The effect of our counterespionage mission against <leader> has ended." (A message about enemy counterespionage ending would be difficult because we only learn that "enemy spies appear to be extra vigilant to our espionage efforts," but not whose spies, and the durations can overlap.) '<leader> has acquired the <wonder> of <city>." (The *Tbd.* under <u>106</u> would be preferable, but an alert that is checked at the end of turn would be easier to implement.) 210a War trades (= hired war/sponsored war/joint war) See also The RevolutionDCM mod also has such an alert, but I didn't know this when I implemented the alert for AdvCiv. UWAI uses a different procedure than BtS/ K-Mod to decide whether to entertain jointwar offers (but this alert works in any case). 152 shows currently offered war trades on the Glance tab. AdvCiv BUG/ K-Mod Triggers when an AI civ becomes willing to No alert about this, but BUG shows a fist icon on declare war on another civ at the player's the scoreboard when a civ is unwilling to declare request. war on account of "having too much on [their] hands." Prior to v1.46, K-Mod did not show this Shown in the "Trade" column of the BUG Alerts icon (not even as an option). K-Mod 1.46 reverts tab; enabled by default. to the BUG behavior (icon enabled by default). Removed the "Victory" alerts to make room.

| Rationale | bothered some players greatly. The | pport for joint wars) certainly wasn't ideal, and fist icon is a bit obscure, takes up room on the have an eye on it every turn; an alert is much |
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| | The victory alerts seem useful only i | n HoF games. |
| Config | Can also show an alert when the Al ALERT_ON_NO_LONGER_WAR_TRADE II | |
| and the new and farther a | s war trades when already in a war target is not at war with the sponsor way than the closest current war have enough on our hands right | Al refuses war trades when it is in any war, regardless of other circumstances. (This is still the case when UWAI is disabled.) |
| Rationale | | ages produced by this alert. War against an ; the hired AI civ isn't going to send units. |
| 210b | Revolts | |
| to greater the | Triggers when revolt probability changes from 0 to greater than 0 in a city, or when occupation (from conquest or revolt) ends in a city unless the city also needs orders. The only way to learn about changes in revolt probability is to check the city screen each ture. The Pacification alert triggers when occupation along the control of the control | |
| | e "City" column, taking the spot if the cation/ Pending" alert. | there is no notification about ending occupation, |
| Until v0.94, t revolt chance | the alert also triggered when the e became 0. | although a conquered city will ask for production orders when occupation ends (unless the new owner has already put something in the queue). |
| Rationale | Pacification alert seems fairly unimp | ent role (see <u>099c</u>), an alert is direly needed. The ortant to me, but I've still included it with the new on; I don't see why one would want that. |
| | No pacification alert when the city al | so needs orders; seems superfluous then. |
| 210c | City founded alert removed | |
| revealed to t message ab | ign city is founded in a tile that is he player, the game shows a out this to the player. No option to No messages about cities founded d tiles. | The description says that the alert is triggered when "a rival founds a city," but I think it also works for vassal cities (which aren't rivals). K-Mod prevented the alert from showing cities founded in unrevealed tiles and set it to disabled by default. |
| Rationale | | ble that unrevealed cities should be secret. No s up space for a new alert (see <i>Tbd</i> . under 210). |
| 210d | Third-party resource trades | |
| strategic res starts trading previously no | en a civ starts or stops trading a cource to another civ, and when a civ g any resource to a civ that it was ot trading any resources to, or when cource trade between two civs is | Resource trades are public knowledge and can be looked up on the Foreign Advisor screen. The BUG Resource Trade alert triggers when an AI civ becomes willing to trade a resource to the player or stops being willing (106 disables the latter part). |
| Rationale | | way too often when all started and ended ting only strategic resources and the first and last ing as I thought it would be. |

| Disabled by default. Can be enabled from the BUG menu, Alerts tab, column Trading. There's also a debug mode for reporting all resource trades, but that can only be enabled in the DLL (AdvCiv4lerts.cpp). |
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| Perhaps this alert should only cover strategic resources; the current scope is a bit complicated. |
| A "third party" checkbox for an alert about inter-Al tech trades (cf. <i>Tbd.</i> under 210) could be placed in the same column of the BUG menu. |

| 210e | AI willing to import from human | |
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| triggers also import a surp price of at lea It doesn't trig by one of the | e trade alert (enabled by default) when an AI civ becomes willing to blus resource from the player at a ast 3 gold per turn. Iger when the resource is consumed a player's corporations, nor when an being willing to import a resource. | The alert only checks AI willingness to export resources. |
| | import human surplus resources. | to <u>036</u> because the AI was always willing to he AI stops being willing to export a resource. |

| 250 | Changes to handicaps | |
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| See also | 104p sets the target size for AI invasion stacks based on difficulty. 126 deals with free AI techs when starting in a later era. 108b increases the bias toward better starting locations for the AI. 313 gives human units an anti-Barbarian bonus on Monarch, Emperor and Immortal, and reduces human and AI bonuses against animals. 148 Makes inter-AI relations improve slightly with each difficulty level. | |
| 250a | King handicap | |
| advantage (the worst st | Initial AI advantage and ongoing advantages go (free Worker, free Pottery, humans gethand in hand for the 9 BtS difficulty settings. arting plots), and moderate ongoing ges (akin to Monarch). | |
| difficulty rati explicitly thr Immortal at | Handicap ids from 0 (Settler) to 8 (Deity) are used as a measure of difficulty, e.g. when cough a new XML tag. Settler to difficulty 0, 10, 20,, 70; Deity at 85 65. Plus another 30 when playing a nallenge. Handicap ids from 0 (Settler) to 8 (Deity) are used as a measure of difficulty, e.g. when computing player scores at the end of a game. This method breaks when handicap settings are added. If added at the end of Civ4Handicap Info.xml, it's treated as more difficult than Deity if added in the middle, all the handicaps below increase in difficulty. | |
| Rationale | for Pottery: Free tech from the first row (e.g. Hunting or Agriculture) puts those AI civs at a disadvantage that always start with these techs. Pottery should also put the AI on a path to long-term development (Granaries, Cottages), rather than using its initial advantage to choke the human players. | |
| Config | I've removed this difficulty level in v0.90. Monarch combined with SPaH has a pretty similar result, and I wanted to reduce the complexity of the AdvCiv mod, at least on | |

| | the surface. (An additional difficulty level is a very visible change from BtS.) |
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| | To re-enable the King difficulty, remove the $$ comment tags around the last $<$ HandicapInfo> entry in Civ4HandicapInfo.xml. This should also allow savegames with King difficulty to be loaded. |
| Tbd. | The victory score should take into account other game settings (through difficulty or directly), e.g. Always War. |
| See also | 108 allows the game to give the worst starting plot to a human civ. dlph.22 rounds the difficulty setting in multiplayer to the integer nearest to the average. |

| 250b | SPaH; see also chapter Start Points as Handicap. |
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| Config in scenarios | Since v3.17 (reportedly), the Base Points box is grayed out on the Custom Scenario screen unless Advanced Start is set as a default option by the scenario. As a consequence, Advanced Start and SPaH (which builds on Advanced Start) are unavailable in most scenarios. I haven't found a way to work around this. However, it's easy to add Advanced Start as a default option in a scenario file: Locate the file in Sid Meier's Civilization 4\Beyond the Sword\PublicMaps (CivBeyondSwordWBSaves) or Sid Meier's Civilization 4\PublicMaps (Civ4WorldBuilderSaves). This also works for EuroWorld.CivBeyondSwordWBSave. Open it file in a text editor. (Or better make a backup copy first.) Somewhere between BeginGame and EndGame, add this line: Option=GAMEOPTION_ADVANCED_START |
| See also | Chapter Start Points as Handicap |
| | Advanced Rivals mod, precursor of Advanced Civ |
| Tbd. | Allow players to enter arbitrary point distributions, in particular ones that assign start points to human players. Obstacles: |
| | Can't add a drop-down menu for this to the Custom Game screen; if it's done in- game, it will have to happen after game start. For multiplayer, it's not clear who should enter the points; and they'd have to be explicitly synchronized. |
| | • I've tried an XML file, but that doesn't work well for multiplayer – not clear to the players if they should all use the same XML file, or if XML data of the host will be synchronized with the others. I'd rather avoid using XML for custom game settings. |
| | Caveat: Code added in CvPlayer.cpp assumes that only AI civs can have Advanced Start when SPaH is enabled. |
| The new SF moves to th | PaH option takes the spot of No City Razing (NCR) on the Custom Game screen; NCR e bottom. |
| SPaH can't Scenario sc | be used in scenarios because the Base Points box isn't available on the Custom reen. |
| See also | 250c changes the default start points on the Custom Game screen, and increases the start turn based on the number of start points. |
| Tbd. | Not sure if the default start points are appropriate for later-era starts. |

SPaH suppresses the difficulty adjustment of AI start points. Civs receive no free wins against Barbarians and On Prince difficulty and lower all civs are guaranteed to win their first combat against a no free initial production when SPaH or R&F is enabled. Barbarian unit (regardless of Advanced Start). On all difficulty settings, the AI receives some free production (akin to a chopped Forest) in its capital. When playing with SPaH, any free initial items and any AI head start in terms of initial Rationale items should be covered by the start points configured for the AI. The free win is also a kind of free item. More importantly, advanced players might want to combine a medium difficulty setting like Prince with a big AI head start (or with the R&F option), and those players might find the free win cheesy. See also 250c disables free AI tech from difficulty setting when using (any) Advanced Start option. (Just restating what's already described in the SPaH chapter) SPaH gives the human civs normal starts with There is no SPaH option: all civs, human and Al. e.g. a Settler and Warrior/ Scout in the Ancient receive the same number of start points. era, and Advanced Starts to the Al. If less than 10000 start points are entered, all AI civs get the same number of points (flat distribution). Otherwise, if a 5- or 6-digit number is entered, the AI civs receive unequal amounts of points. The first 4 digits determine the max number of points. This is assigned to the AI civ in the bottommost slot. The last two digits are interpreted as a percentage of the max. The resulting min number is for the AI civ in the topmost slot. The others receive values in between min and max, linearly distributed and slightly randomized. The AI start points can be reviewed on the Settings tab of the Victory Screen. Tbd. The unequal distribution is linear between max and min, but also based on pairs that tend to have similar point values. Originally, this was supposed to make the assignment of start plots easier. The human civ and the bottommost AI civ were placed first, and the other civs were evenly distributed in between. This doesn't generalize well for multiplayer, so I've abandoned it. Given the current start-plot assignment algorithm, it would be conceptually simpler to use a linear distribution without pairs. Config The randomization of start points is configurable in GlobalDefines advc.xml. SPaH is factored into the game-end score. More Game-end score doesn't account for Advanced specifically, the difficulty factor, normally between Start. 0 and 90 (see 250a), is increased based on the start point distribution. For example, a Noble game has normally a difficulty of 30; with 1000 start points for every AI civ, that difficulty is

increased by 20, which results in the same score

as a Monarch game without SPaH.

| Rationale | The end-score function has numerous issues, but I think players still care about it a little bit as a rough indicator of how well they did. So, the formula doesn't have to be perfect, but, if start points work as a handicap, they should be accounted for somehow. | |
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| | I haven't thought about scoring in mu about. | ultiplayer games – not important enough to worry |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Default num start set to 4 | ber of start points for Ancient-era 00. | 600 |
| Rationale | | ular Advanced Start, 600-800 would be better rt point costs), but this can't be set dynamically. |
| 250c | Changes to (regular) Advanced Star | t |
| No impact of points. | difficulty setting on the human start | Extra start points for human civs on low difficulty settings (150% on Settler), reduced start points on high difficulty (75% on Deity). |
| Prince 125% Monarch 14! Emperor 17! Immortal 210 Deity 270% (and they're | 5% 5% 0% actually applied). t penalty added on difficulty levels | Set to 110% 120% 135% 150% 170% but aren't applied because of a bug. |
| Rationale | human civs fewer points on higher d civs a lot more. This is also to accou Advanced Start (see below). | iers that affect start points. Instead of giving ifficulty settings and AI civs more, I'm giving the AI nt for the free AI tech that is no longer granted in human civs on Prince and above is countered by |
| | an increased point cost for units, bui | |
| Credits | I had at first forgotten (not bothered? them after seeing <u>this</u> Kek-Mod com | P) to add an AI penalty on the low levels; added mit. |
| the technolo in the Classi | l items in Advanced Start except for gies of previous eras when starting cal era or later and civ-specific tech g in the Ancient era. | No free units, but free technologies from the difficulty setting are granted in addition to start points. |
| Rationale | | tly than free units. Obviously, free tech from my solution isn't entirely consistent either. |

Charge 1.5 start points per production (units. The ratio is 1 for 1. 1 Food (population) costs 1.5 buildings, cities). start points though. 1.5 start points per 1 culture. 1 culture costs 2.5 start points. 2 * (100 + 3 * number of revealed tiles) / 100 Revealing a tile costs 1 start point plus 1 per every 25 revealed tiles. Advanced Start normally rounded down, i.e. 5 initially. reveals at least 50 tiles upfront. Although AdvCiv doesn't count these fully, the cost normally starts at 2. Can't reveal Ocean tiles that aren't adjacent to Can reveal any tile that isn't adjacent to a Coast when starting in Renaissance or earlier. previously revealed tile (no change). Start point cost for routes and improvements E.g. a Mine costs 24 start points, a Farm 30. reduced to 67%. Techs cost 1 start point per research point (no change). Rationale Units seemed extremely cheap compared with tech. It's not that dangerous because units can only be placed in cities, and each city has a limit of two military units; still, makes lots of Workers and Settlers a too obvious choice. 1 start point essentially corresponds to 1 gold, so 1.5 per 1 production is still a bargain. Should perhaps be 2 for 1 – not sure if there's a good reason to make techs relatively unattractive during Advanced Start. Similarly, 1 revealed tile per 2 start points is still pretty expensive; seems better to buy Settlers and found later than to pay some 50 points extra for revealing the surroundings of a potential city site. A Mine for 24 is too expensive when a Worker costs 60. Now Workers are at 90 and Mines at 16. With cheaper visibility, it could make sense to reveal a diagonal across the entire map under the BtS rules. That would spoil all the surprises, so I'm prohibiting the oceans from being revealed. 2 culture per 3 start points is still expensive – except for the first border pop, which I don't want to turn into a complete no-brainer. Config Costs for culture, revealed tiles and Worker builds are set in GlobalDefines advc.xml. Start points shown on the Custom Game screen Shown points are adjusted to game era, game speed (silently) and world size. The impact of are only auto-adjusted to match the start era. world size is minor; the multiplier is between 80% All start point costs are reduced based on game and 120%. speed. Rationale A large world isn't necessarily less crowded than a small one. The BtS autoadjustment is generally problematic because it overwrites any start point value that the player may have already entered. Also gets in the way of 250b – don't want the player handicap to increase with the world size. The silent game speed adjustment can be a bit confusing – the player ends up with a start point budget that differs from the value shown on the Custom Game screen. I

think it's a bit more elegant to change the costs instead. Makes no functional

difference (apart from rounding).

| time immem | n Screen always shown. The "since orial" text and initial techs are only starting in the Ancient era. | Dawn-of-Man only shown for normal start, i.e. non-Advanced in the Ancient era. |
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| While in Advanced Start, scoreboard help text shows the player's leader. | | While in Advanced Start, players can only infer their leader from the text color or by using keyboard shortcuts to access Advisor Screens or Civ Description (Alt+D). |
| Rationale | Players need to know their civ and le on the Custom Game screen. | eader upfront, especially if it was set to Random |
| | The initial techs are meaningless wh | nen starting in a later era. |
| points, more mean of the when starting | n is based on the number of start specifically, the maximum and the start point distribution. Only applies g in the Ancient era (and only when of mean and maximum is greater | The start turn only depends on the start era. |
| (max=mean= | everyone receives 750 points =750) on Normal speed, Emperor n the start turn is 20, i.e. 1880 B.C. | |
| Rationale | Should match the historical time line better, and, in the case of SPaH, gives the impression that some of the AI civs have been on the map since 4000 BC, whereas the human civs are late arrivals. | |
| Config | INCREASE_START_TURN in GlobalDe | fines_advc |
| No free food through Adva | when population is added to a city anced Start. | Whenever the population of a city is increased in Advanced Start, half of the city's food store gets filled. 0 food in newly placed cities. |
| Rationale | then the cost for increasing population (and it isn't). Anyway, the rule is too population. If adding population isn't | to make Granary useful in Advanced Start? But on should also be based on the present food store obscure; no one expects free food when adding powerful enough, one could always adjust r, but 1.5 points per 1 food seems fine now that 1 |
| Credits | DarkLunaPhantom (Git commit <u>1</u> <u>2</u>) | |
| | istic trait reduces the point cost for except for the first city. | The Imperialistic trait reduces the point cost for Settlers but not for cities. Civs are forced to place at least one city before they can buy Settlers. |
| | | When not in Advanced Start, the Imperialistic trait only increases the production invested in Settlers, not food. Thus, the production bonus is closer to 25% in the early game than to 50%. |
| Rationale | | ettlers and not to cities. No bonus for the first city nes, Imperialistic leaders don't get an advantage |
| | I'm OK with the 50% bonus (rather the weak trait. | han e.g. 25%) because Imperialistic is a fairly |
| Credits | DarkLunaPhantom (Git commit); I've | e only added the exception for the first city. |

| | ess it has a lot of points to spend. | aces. | |
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| Rationale | The border pop is normally a good investment but not really needed in the capital (although it's so cheap that this was barely worth changing). | | |
| Credits | Afforess (RoM: A New Dawn mod); SourceForge revision: link | | |
| Tbd. | Afforess makes some other changes in the Advanced Start AI code. I think these are mostly for dealing with very high numbers of start points, say, more than 10 000. A lot of magic numbers in his code that would probably have to be adjusted to AdvCiv. | | |
| | Either way, one thing that needs to be fixed: The AI currently places improvements (in CvPlayerAI::AI_advancedStartPlaceCity) before purchasing any techs. Should instead only reserve some points for improvements at first (could use the current code for that; just don't actually buy the improvements) and select and place them after purchasing tech. | | |
| | ed Start receive the UnitAlType de Co | nits purchased for exploration receive the efault UnitAlType. For Warriors, that's "Attack". onsequently, the Warriors aren't used for eploration but, at best, for patrols, and uusually ey just guard the capital. | |
| Rationale | It's embarassing when the AI fails to cle | ear goody huts close to its capital. | |
| 050-1 | | | |
| 250d | Al unit supply and upgrade cost not aff | ected by game era | |
| difficulty set supply and Al game pro | | ne per-era modifier increases most of the Al Ivantages with each passing era. | |
| Rationale | | | |
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| See also | 912b). The era progression complicates bit too swiftly in the late game on Empelt's also conceptually simpler to have the difficulty, i.e. also regardless of the per-Look at them as an acknowledgment the human player in order to guard its cities. Note that AI upgrade costs still decrease difficulty or higher) because the upgrade cost, and AI discounts on unit production. | s this. And perhaps AI upgrades also happen a eror and above. nese two AI modifiers apply regardless of era modifier (which does depend on difficulty). nat the AI needs to have far more units than a s. se over the course of a game (on Prince le cost is computed based on unit production on increase as the game progresses. | |
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| See also 250e On Empero | 912b). The era progression complicates bit too swiftly in the late game on Empel It's also conceptually simpler to have the difficulty, i.e. also regardless of the per-Look at them as an acknowledgment the human player in order to guard its cities. Note that AI upgrade costs still decrease difficulty or higher) because the upgrade cost, and AI discounts on unit production. 251 exempts all AI gold costs from game Fewer free AI units or difficulty, the AI starts with 1 free chers and 10 overflow production. To make Scouts more attractive for human Hunting. One Scout and one Archer (ar | s this. And perhaps AI upgrades also happen a eror and above. nese two AI modifiers apply regardless of era modifier (which does depend on difficulty). That the AI needs to have far more units than a sc. se over the course of a game (on Prince le cost is computed based on unit production on increase as the game progresses. The progress adjustments. | |

| Archery but videfensive un | it and a Warrior as exploration unit. tart with Hunting receive a Scout | Monarch AI civs without Hunting receive two Archers, one for defense, one for exploration. Those with Hunting receive an Archer and a Scout. | |
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| | A Scout is arguably less valuable tha shouldn't be a disadvantage. | n a second Archer, and starting with Hunting | |
| Archers (san | On Immortal difficulty, the AI starts with 2 free Archers (same as on Emperor) and on Deity with 3 free Archers. | | |
| On Immortal defenders. | , Barbarian cities start with 3 | 4, same as on Deity. | |
| Rationale | That many initial defenders just seer | n pointless to me. | |
| See also | The <u>table</u> in the chapter about the SI setting. | PaH option lists the AI freebies for each difficulty | |
| No second free Settler unit for the AI civs on Deity. I.e. the AI starting units are the same as on Deity is much greater than the (already substantial) head start on Immortal. | | | |
| See also | The Deity research rate set by <u>251</u> is | adjusted to this change. | |
| Rationale | the (early) game harder, they may st (<u>137, 165</u>) may also play a role, or it' | bonuses (change 251) weren't intended to make ill have had that effect. The changes to map sizes s just smarter AI behavior – anyway, with the ly playable on a normal map with the default as immediately boxed in. | |
| | very difficult to beat. (Ultimately, i.e. a even the most competent players wo | able difficulty to play on in AdvCiv. It still seems after some more balance changes, I hope that buld be able to find a challenge on Immortal, if not as a demonstration of what happens if the Almortal.) | |

| 251 | Pacing adjustments for difficulty leve | ls |
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| See also | 910 adjusts the per-era tech modifie the game year increments. | rs (which apply to everyone, not just the AI) and |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| speed) for e the first) tha when playin | n is advanced by 10 (on Normal very free Worker and Settler (beyond t the AI receives. This only applies g without Advanced Start (about the Advanced Start, see 250c). | The start turn is only affected by start era, not by difficulty. |
| _ | s" tab (Victory screen) shows the mber when it isn't 0 (for any reason). | |
| Config | INCREASE_START_TURN in GlobalDe | fines_advc.xml |
| | s are reduced on the lowest four | Al tech costs are not affected by difficulty. Human |
| _ | tings, and increased on the highest | tech costs are reduced to 60% (Settler) to 90% |
| | djusted the human tech cost these seven difficulty settings so | (Warlord) on difficulties below Noble, and increased to 110% (Prince) to 130% (Deity) on |

| | io between human and AI tech costs proximately as in BtS. | difficulties above Noble. | |
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| Rationale | The overall progress had been too fast on difficulties above Monarch and too slow on difficulties below Prince. It's an aesthetic issue (Al tech matching game date), but also a matter of pace: How much time there is for deploying combat units until another tech is discovered. I don't think that, say, Warlord and Immortal should have fundamentally different pace (that's what the game speed setting is for). Deity still gets ahead of the historical time line, but not all too far. | | |
| See also | karadoc seems to have thought so to technological progress. I don't like th | po; in K-Mod <u>1.45</u> , he tied inflation to the global is solution; see the discussion <u>here</u> . | |
| | Civ 4 Reimagined appears to do something similar to my change ("tech costs for all players scale with handicap setting;" Bitbucket <u>link</u>). And Caveman to Cosmos also (SourceForge <u>link</u> ; 12 th bullet from the top). | | |
| Config | AIResearchPercent and ResearchPercent in Civ4HandicapInfos.xml | | |
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Starting on Emperor difficulty, production costs, city growth thresholds and Great Person (GP) thresholds of human civs are increased by 10% (Emperor), 20% (Immortal) or 30% (Deity). Al production discounts are lower than in BtS, e.g. just 5% on Emperor (at game start).

The AI discounts for wonders are the the same as for other buildings and units. (Except for a 5% production discount on Prince difficulty that doesn't apply to wonders.)

The modifier for human city growth only affects the base threshold (20 food) for growing a city. That threshold increases by 2 food per population regardless of the difficulty setting. The and 20% on Deity; same in AdvCiv. Al growth modifier works as in BtS. i.e. it also applies to the extra food from population.

The production (and Advanced Start) cost of Settlers is partly affected by the growth modifier (as in BtS) and half affected by the production modifier. This results e.g. in a cost of 130 on Deity.

The GP thresholds of the AI are adjusted by the same percentages as the city growth thresholds.

On the lowest two difficulty levels, human production costs and growth and GP thresholds are lowered. Free happiness and health on Settler difficulty lowered by 1; now the same as on Chieftain.

Human production costs and growth thresholds aren't affected by difficulty, and neither human nor AI thresholds for GP are affected by difficulty. The AI production discounts are e.g. 15% on Emperor and 40% on Deity. These discounts increase over the course of the game, so that, by the Modern era. Al production costs on Emperor are only about 70% of the normal cost.

At game start, the AI receives no production discounts on wonders. The per-era discounts do apply to wonders.

The AI city growth threshold is decreased by 5% on Monarch, 10% on Emperor, 15% on Immortal

For each 1 food that the initial city growth threshold differs from 20, the cost for a Settler is adjusted by 5%. Production modifiers don't apply.

Rationale

To reduce overcrowding of the map on the high difficulty levels and to match the increased research costs. If only research becomes more expensive as the difficulty level increases, the game balance skews toward warfare in a similar way as on Marathon speed. Perhaps Noble difficulty (on Normal speed) makes it a bit too rewarding to focus on research, but the human research cost modifier on Deity (now 160%) would definitely be too high without a production cost penalty, and on Emperor (125%) arguably also.

Similarly, the human costs for growing cities and GP need to match research costs to an extent. The game speed settings, for comparison, have growth and GP modifiers too, and also modify Worker speed (see below), Cottage growth, culture level thresholds, chopping production, hurry production and GP effects. I don't see a need for making all these values dependent on difficulty; it's actually fine if chopping and Slavery become less efficient on the high difficulty levels. I don't think the Processes (e.g. Wealth) need to be difficulty-adjusted so long as production and research remain somewhat balanced. No production/ growth/ GP penalties on the medium difficulty levels because a small (say 5%) increase would be barely noticeable due to rounding (see next blue box). Given the lower AI production discounts, exempting wonders should no longer be necessary. I'm only doing it on Prince to differentiate Prince from Monarch; these two levels would otherwise have the same AI production discounts (5%). The human growth penalty is applied only to the base food needed for growth because I want to keep the formula for the food per population simple (2 food per population, same as the food consumption). For the AI, simplicity isn't so relevant, and a growth bonus that applies also to the food per population helps the AI in the midgame and late game. The GP discounts and penalties make the high difficulty levels harder and more unfair than in BtS. Changes to the per-era modifier (see below) might even this out. Config I've added tags TrainPercent (for units), ConstructPercent (for buildings, incl. wonders) and CreatePercent (for projects, incl. world projects) to civ4HandicapInfos.xml. These apply to all civs that play at the respective handicap (Al civs play at Noble unless a scenario gives them a different handicap). For GP and growth thresholds, I've added GPThresholdPercent and BaseGrowthThresholdPercent (for all civs) and AIGPThresholdPercent (for Al civs). See also Since these modifier changes don't affect Barbarians, change 300 decreases the Barbarian activity on the high levels a bit. Unlike the other human production penalties, No modifiers for human project costs. The Al those for team projects only apply on Immortal modifiers for projects are equal to those for other and Deity difficulty. On Emperor and below, the types of city production. Al receives higher team project discounts instead (the same as in BtS or similar). Rationale Don't want to make Space victory even more grueling than in BtS. See CultureLevelPercent below about balancing Space and Culture victory. Human worker build times are increased by 10% Human workers aren't affected by the difficulty on Emperor, 15% on Immortal and 20% on Deity. setting. The AI work rate bonus is 10% on Prince, The resulting build times are rounded down to to 20 on Monarch, 50 on Emperor, 75 on Immortal, a multiple of 50 before modifiers from game 100 on Deity. Build times aren't affected by speed and start era are applied. The AI work rate difficulty. Since the base build times (e.g. 200 bonus is 5% on Prince and increases in steps of time units for Road) are a multiple of the work 5 percentage points to 25% on Deity. rate of the Worker unit (100), even a 1% build time penalty results in at least one extra Worker turn for all builds. Rationale In the very early game, build times should somewhat match research times, especially for human civs. Otherwise, civs that don't receive any free worker tech can become unplayable and players can't afford to research any other techs. Also, the very fast Al work rates in BtS can help the AI get ahead too fast and could provide an extra

incentive for attacking AI Workers.

Later on, quick AI build times mostly mean that the AI quickly improves and routes every tile, which looks ugly and rather unintelligent.

Given the way that the number of build turns is calculated, a work rate penalty would result in an extra turn for everything; something smoother is needed so that e.g Road can still be built in 2 turns, but Farm may require an extra turn. The build time increase with rounding, albeit complicated, accomplishes that. Work rate bonuses are fine in this regard.

Config

New XML tag BuildTimePercent in Civ4HandicapInfos.xml

Human production and research costs and GP thresholds are rounded to the nearest multiple of 5.

Human production costs and GP thresholds are rounded to the nearest multiple of modifiers usually result in multiples of 5.

Human production costs and GP thresholds are only modified by game speed and these modifiers usually result in multiples of 5, though e.g. an Archer costs 37 production on Epic speed. The research cost modifier from difficulty can result in odd research costs.

Rationale

Easier to remember and calculate. The game balance isn't so delicate that +/-2 production will make a big difference.

The AI discounts on production costs, research costs and city growth thresholds increase by 1 percentage point every 100 turns on Prince difficulty, every 50 turns on Monarch, every 33 turns on Emperor, every 25 turns on Immortal and every 20 turns on Deity. If the game doesn't start on turn 0, these increments are applied retroactively, i.e. the current game turn is decisive, not the number of elapsed game turns. Also, the numbers are adjusted to the game speed setting (to VictoryDelayPercent to be specific). These increments based on the game turn replace the BtS per-era modifiers.

Whenever an AI civ enters a new era, its discounts on production costs, city growth, expenses (inflation, civic upkeep, unit cost, unit supply), unit upgrades and war weariness are increased by (multiplicative) 1% on Prince, 2% on Monarch, 3% on Emperor, 4% on Immortal and 5% on Deity.

See also

250d: Al unit supply and upgrade costs are independent of the game progress.

Rationale

The per-era mechanism is self-reinforcing because the sooner an AI civ reaches a new era, the sooner it benefits from increased discounts; such snowball effects are undesirable. Using the game era instead of civ era would also be problematic because of possible human manipulation, and any average gets distorted by vassals/small civs. The game-turn-based mechanism doesn't have these problems and works more smoothly. One potential issue is that high-difficulty games tend to reach the endgame eras earlier than low-difficulty games, meaning that the game progress adjustment may not take full effect. However, the current difficulty-based research cost increases seem to be quite effective at giving games across all difficulty levels a similar length.

Now that AI research costs are affected by the difficulty setting, it's conceptually simpler to adjust the AI research cost to the game progress than to adjust the various expenses. Also, lower expenses have side-effects on the civics that the AI chooses and how many units it trains. As for war weariness, I don't think that's an issue for the AI even in the late game. As for GP thresholds, I worry that progressively lower thresholds would draw too much attention to the AI discounts (as every GP birth is announced).

Additive modifiers seem a bit simpler to me than multiplicative ones and lead to fewer rounding artifacts.

| | if an Immortal game reaches the Momodifier is now (85-350/25)%=71%; just before entering the Modern era. greater. This should be evened out be | higher or lower AI bonuses overall. For example, dern era by turn 350, the AI growth (threshold) in BtS it's 85%*(100-5*4)%=68%, but also 71% It seems that the BtS effect is generally a bit by the new GP threshold discounts/ penalties. | |
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| Config | I've renamed AIPerEraModifier in Civ4HandicapInfos.xml to AIHandicapIncrementTurns and changed its semantics, so it's not possible to return to the BtS mechanism through XML. | | |
| | The civic upkeep modifier is 5 to 10 percentage vels below Monarch; now the same progression points smaller than the inflation modifier. On Monarch and all levels above, the inflation modifier is 100%. | | |
| Rationale | Civic upkeep is generally too insignif | icant. | |
| Config | CivicUpkeepPercent in Civ4HandicapInfos.xml | | |
| | The AI civic upkeep and unit cost modifiers on Deity are 75%. | | |
| Rationale | Don't want the Deity AI to favor high-upkeep civics and don't want to encourage it to train very large armies. | | |
| Config | AIUnitCostPercent and AICivicUp | pkeepPercent in Civ4HandicapInfos.xml | |
| (except "Fled | On Monarch and above, culture level thresholds except "Fledgling") are adjusted to the game's ifficulty level. Culture level thresholds are only adjusted to game speed and the "No Espionage" option (disabled by change 309). | | |
| Rationale | increased (though I guess not as mu No special adjustment for the AI; I re sufficient edge when it comes to Cul | Legendary culture threshold will also have to be ich?) to keep Space and Culture victory balanced. Ickon that the other AI advantages give the AI a ture victory, and explicitly making a victory (perceived as) a new quality of AI "cheating". | |
| Tbd. | balanced. The tech cost changes un K-Mod has nerfed various important | set in Civ4CultureLevelInfos.xml) is wellder 910 have made Space victories costlier, but culture sources; so perhaps it's OK. In any case, ad nerf or boost the available sources of culture. | |
| Config | CultureLevelPercent in Civ4Hand | icapInfos.xml | |
| See also | 126 adjusts the culture level thresho | lds to the game's start era. | |

| 300 et sq. | Overhaul of Barbarians; see chapter <u>Better Barbarians</u> . I've structured the changes a bit through sub-ids, but I doubt they could all be merged separately. | |
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| Config | A few parameters in GlobalDefines_advc.xml | |
| See also | <u>250e</u> reduces the number of defensive units placed in Barbarian cities on Immortal difficulty. | |
| 300 | The fundamentals: gradually increasing activity, ships placed per shelf, food yields matter, fogbusting nerf, game speed scaling, city placement bugfix, New World Barbarians, no cooperation between Barbarian cities, misc. Al improvements vs. Barbarians | |
| AdvCiv | BtS (K-Mod hardly changes Barbarians) | |

Barbarian activity reaches its peak when 67% a Barbarian activity peaks shortly after they first continent are owned by civs (or Barbarian cities), appear, typically around turn 50. The difficulty setting determines on which turn Barbarians can't appear until there are 1.5 cities Barbarians first appear. I've increased the start per civ. Thus, the early start turns set for high turn set there by 5 for all levels, bu, on high difficulty settings through XML have practically no difficulty settings, they still appear quite early, effect. e.g. after 15 turns on Deity. They initially appear only in small numbers though, and don't immediately attack cities. Since Barbarians start slowly, the 1.5-cities rules isn't needed anymore. Rationale Barbarian ships are created for each continental Barbarian ships are created for each water body; shelf, i.e. the ring of coastal tiles surrounding usually, there is only one large water body. each land mass (or enclosed in the case of inland seas). Rationale To prevent neglected shores on one continent from affecting Barbarian activity on the shores of another continent, and to prevent Barbarian ships from piling up near remote islands (as they sometimes do in BtS). Tbd. When a shelf is interrupted by Ice, Barbarian ships can stile accumulate in between lce tiles. Need to treat such pockets as separate shelves (akin to what 030 does). As a temporary solution, no Barbarian ships are placed if the total size of a shelf is far greater than the number of tiles where a Barbarian ship can legally appear. (Disabled) When playing with Raging Barbarians The game never tells the player on which turn (RB), the Barbarian start turn is shown on the Barbarians start appearing. Settings tab of the Victory Screen. Rationale When starting in a later era or using SPaH, the game doesn't start on turn 0, and it's difficult to tell how many turns have passed. Update (v0.94): Not crucial to know because even Raging Barbarians start appearing gradually. And after the turn on which Barbarians could theoretically first appear (based on the difficulty setting), it may take another 10 or 20 turns until a unit actually enters visibility, so the turn number can be misleading. See also 251 shows the start turn on the Settings tab if it isn't turn 0. When computing the target number of Barbarian All land tiles count equally, and water tiles count land units and cities per continent, tiles with 0 only for sea units. food yield are disregarded. Coastal water tiles count half. Barbarian units can't appear on tiles with 0 food Yields have no impact on Barbarian unit yield. On tiles with a yield sum of 1, in particular placement. Jungle and Tundra, Barbarians are less likely to appear than on tiles with higher yields. I'm computing the yield sum twice, once including and once excluding features, and take the minimum. This way, all Tundra except Tundra Hill Forest and River Tundra gets fewer Barbarians. Civ units only prevent Barbarians from appearing Barbarians can't appear in a 5x5-tile square on visible tiles. surrounding each civ unit ("fogbusting" range). Visibility practically doesn't matter. Animals only appear on tiles with a positive food A passable tile not visible to any civ is chosen at random, then an animal suitable for that tile's vield or freshwater. terrain is chosen.

Rationale

Want Barbarians to work as a corrective for starting positions that have much room for expansion. To this end, foobusting needs to be nerfed, and decent tiles need to be distinguished from bad tiles.

It's also rather implausible that large numbers of Barbarians would appear in the polar region or desert. The early civilizations were frequently raided by pastoralists from marginal (but not desertic) lands, which is why I'm not distinguishing between e.g. Plains, Grassland and Flood Plains.

Animals: A problem in Earth scenarios; the Sahara gets filled up with Lions. One could look at this as a representation of the harsh conditions there, making the desert difficult to explore, but, ultimately, the lion-filled Sahara looks too silly, and the Sahara lions prevent animals from spawning elsewhere.

The target number of Barbarians per continent (upper bound) remains independent of game speed. Barbarians start appearing roughly in the same year for all speed settings.

Barbarian creation rate adjusted to game speed. Creation rate and target number are independent of game speed. Barbarians start appearing later on slower settings.

Rationale

On Epic and Marathon, it takes civs longer to train units, but Barbarians are (re-)placed just as quickly as on Normal and Ouick. The original developers may have intended to even this out through a later start year. This doesn't work well – BtS Barbarians are a lot harder to deal with on Marathon than on Normal speed, and I don't see why they should be.

The creation rate does not take into account how densely or sparsely the civs are placed. It's plausible that more Barbarians appear when there is room for them, and I want to allow players to create games with extra tough Barbarians by placing civs far apart.

The creation rate of Barbarian cities increases slightly with the game era.

Static creation rate configured in XML.

No Barbarian units are created on continents without civ cities (nor in the surrounding waters), but Barbarian cities appear earlier on such continents and more densely than in BtS.

If a continent (or shelf) becomes very densely populated with Barbarian units, the game starts culling them. The greater the density, the higher the per-turn probability of removing a unit. The Barbarian AI never disbands units for financial reasons, and Barbarians are immune to strikes.

Plenty of Barbarian units are created on continents without cities because these continents have 100% unowned tiles. While Barbarian units are created independently for each continent, cities are placed globally, and the game prefers to place them on continents with civ cities.

The game might eventually remove Barbarian units through strike, and the Barbarian AI can disband units. Not sure how frequently that happens; perhaps not at all.

Rationale

Want terrae incognitae to look more like in Colonization, i.e. with lots of Barbarian cities but not so many units. The cities actually produce too many units, hence the scrapping mechanism; it's also a general safeguard against implausibly large Barbarian stacks. Could interpret the removed units as a result of Barbarian infighting.

Disbanding based on finances isn't good because it may leave high concentrations in some areas, and because Barbarians aren't supposed to have an overarching economy.

| Tbd. | Barbarians can currently be removed from tiles visible to a player, which is a bit jarring. Should show a message then, e.g. "A Barbarian Galley has been destroyed as a result of infighting." Can't simply exclude visible tiles from removal: In one game, for example, Barbarian Galleys kept spawning around an uninhabited continent and moved from there to an inhabited continent. In such a case, naval stacks of arbitrary size can form on visible tiles. Or simply program the Barbarian AI not to move into overcrowded non-city tiles. | | |
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| Barharian ur | nits are never upgraded. | Upgrades are possible using commerce from | |
| Barbarian ar | ms are never apgraded. | Barbarian cities but seem to happen rarely because resource requirements are checked when upgrading; cf. | |
| Rationale | Don't want a Barbarian economy. Outdated units are still killed eventually, either combat or removed by the scrapping mechanism above. A mixed bunch of Barba units is more flavorful than a uniformly upgraded army; I imagine that Barbarians acquire sophisticated weapons from the civs (through trade) but also continue m their traditional weapons. | | |
| | thus preventing scrapping, but don't | and spawned Barbarians on a continent in check, attack (all) the Barbarian cities. Then, early-game definitely, which starts looking weird once the are to worry about. | |
| | | eing placed either in completely arbitrary in ideal locations (as far as the AI is able to figure | |
| See also | Thread on CFC | | |
| independent | The aggressiveness of Barbarian units escalates ndependently for each continent based on the number of local civ cities. There are essentially three levels of Barbarian aggressiveness: Initially, Barbarians avoid civ cities, then they attack them opportunistically, and eventually they seek cities out. This escalation is based on the <i>total</i> number of civ cities, and affects all continents alike. | | |
| continents w | Barbarians avoid approaching civ cities on continents with more Barbarian cities than civ cities, even when playing with Raging Barbarians cities is decisive, not the ratio of civ cities to (RB). With RB, the Barbarians usually seek out cit right away. Without RB, only the number of cities is decisive, not the ratio of civ cities to Barbarian cities. | | |
| Rationale | To remove implausible repercussions Barbarian behavior on another contin | s of civ development on one continent for the nent. | |
| | New World Barbarians shouldn't immediately attack colonies. Now only turn aggressive when half the continent is colonized. | | |
| | Barbarian Workers don't connect cities with roads, chop fewer Forests and prioritize Barbarian Workers build road networks between Barbarian cities and builds lots of Cottages. | | |
| Rationale | independent cities. Cottages are nice | Barbarian empire, but it's supposed to look like e for pillaging, but don't make much sense for the ayers to discover a deforested New World. | |
| See also | DarkLunaPhantom has made a similar change (Git commit 1, 2, 3); haven't merged it because I still want Barbarians to build <i>some</i> Cottages. | | |
| Tbd. | Barbarian Workers still tend to gather in a single city once all tiles are improved. | | |

| guard cities unless threatened militarily by another civ. New AI routine for guarding high- yield improvements against Barbarians. | | The AI defends its cities against Raging Barbarians but doesn't defend crucial improvements. | |
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| | | Often allows Barbarians to move onto Mines or onto improvements across a river, negating the 25% combat bonus that the AI gets against Barbarians on all difficulty levels. | |
| Rationale | Also frees up units for guarding futur fogbusting. | e city sites, which is similar enough to human | |
| Tbd. | Doesn't help much. Early on, when it matters most, the AI still needs most of its defenders to protect its cities, and doesn't reliably identify the most precarious improvements. Would be better to move from the city onto a threatened improvement only when a Barbarian unit approaches. Need to be careful not to expose AI cities to Barbarian or human attacks though. | | |
| See also | 315 gives Scouts a defensive bonus sites. | against Barbarians and allows them to guard city | |
| | guards proper city sites, i.e. tiles that y willing to settle. | Willing to guard any tile with a positive found value. Found values are 0 near tiles that the AI currently wants to settle, so the guarded tiles are either proper city sites or sites in an area not currently worth settling (too remote or too marginal). | |
| Rationale | Don't want the AI to guard remote city sites because this rarely helps the AI civ and may help other civs (by keeping away Barbarians). | | |
| | d a tile adjacent to a proper city site it a higher defensive bonus or visibility. | Only city sites can be guarded. | |
| Rationale | | is fogbusting; should prefer hills and forest/jungle numans where exactly the AI is going to settle. | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod | |
| | avoid tiles adjacent to a Barbarian f there is a concrete danger. | Al Workers avoid tiles at a hostile border even if those tiles aren't immediately threatened (as far as I understand the code). | |
| | A single Barbarian city isn't very likely to disturb Workers or pillage improvements. And it can take the AI a long time to conquer a neighboring Barbarian city; don't want to leave tiles unimproved during that time. | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| Al civs are more willing to target Barbarian cities on other landmasses when there is nothing else to do or when it doesn't take much effort. Al civs hardly ever conquer Barbarian cities on landmasses where they don't have their capital. | | | |

| Tbd. | The AI still attacks Barbarian cities too rarely, even on the same landmass. Just doesn't have enough city attackers at peacetime. May have to increase the probability of training city attackers based on number and attractiveness of Barbarian cities, perhaps through an AI strategy flag for fighting Barbarians/ Minor civs and/ or by setting the per-Area target city to a non-civ city (currently happens rarely, if ever). And the AI needs to be more reluctant to attack remote Barbarian cities. (Once this is fixed, the AI may no longer have to be extra reluctant to raze Barbarian cities; see 116.) For Barbarian cities on other landmasses, code for preparing and executing small-scale naval landings is needed. Warfare between civs on maps like Archipelago could also benefit from this. | | |
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| AdvCiv | | K-Mod/BtS | |
| between the Classical) | aze cities based on the difference city owner's era (1 for Ancient, 2 and the city's population. The | In K-Mod, the 10% probability applies regardless of population, but closeness to other Barbarian cities can reduce the probability. | |
| =10%, the ba l.e., Barbaria cities when t size-2 in the | multiplied with RazeCityProb ase probability for Barbarian razing. ans only raze Ancient and Classical hey have to (size < 2), and can raze Medieval era and up to size-3 in e. I'm capping the era number at e. | BtS used the same procedure for Barbarians as for AI civs, just with 10% increased probability. There were some fairness clauses to prevent razing in the early game. | |
| Rationale | Closeness shouldn't matter; different Barbarian cities aren't supposed to cooperate. Want razing only for flavor reasons; balance-wise, losing a city to Barbarians temporarily is already big setback. | | |
| Config | RazeCityProb is in Civ4LeaderHea | dInfos.xml. | |
| Decreased t | he number of tiles per Barbarian land | unit and animal on the high difficulty levels a bit. | |
| See also | To match the increased production c | osts that <u>251</u> imposes on the civs. | |
| 301 | Early Spearman fix, no spawning of | units older than the previous era | |
| requirements tech that allo | s only once the Barbarians have the bws that resource to be traded. This Spearman, which now requires | The tech for building the proper improvement suffices, i.e. Mining for Spearman. | |
| Moreover, Barbarian units requiring a resource can only appear on continents where at least one civ has access to that resource (or where a Barbarian city has access to it). The same Barbarian units appear on all continents, and the game only checks if the Barbarians could work the necessary resource not if they're actually available anywhere. | | | |
| Rationale | | bably not intended by the BtS developers. The make Chariots more useful against Raging | |
| | also a game balance problem when | don't exist on a continent is highly implausible. It's starting in the Classical or Medieval era. In BtS, horse, bronze and iron units while it usually takes a military resource. | |

The unit to be created is chosen uniformly at The game only creates Barbarian units from the Barbarians' current tech era or the previous era. random from among the allowed units, including i.e. no Warriors and Archers in the Medieval era. those from all earlier eras. Obsoletion isn't Spearman is treated as a Classical-era unit checked. because of its resource requirement. Rationale Ancient Barbarian units become a pointless distraction at some point. 302 Tech diffusion only from civs sharing an area with Barbarians Barbarians get research only from civs they Barbarians receive research based on the ratio of share a landmass with. The specific conditions civs alive that have a given tech to the total (for a shared landmass) change as the game number of civs alive. progresses. For the first 100 turns, any Barbarian land unit on a landmass with a civ city suffices (or a ship on the surrounding coast), later on, a single Barbarian city isn't necessarily enough. See CvTeam.cpp for details. The intention is that research of New World Barbarians stops once they're driven out of the Old World. Update (v0.93): Barbarian research is now only slowed down when they don't share a landmass with a civ. (Because Longbowman is arguably a better representation of American Indians than Archer.) Rationale Want the research of New World Barbarians to stop once they're (nearly) eliminated in the Old World. That way, the New World will usually only have Classical-era Barbarian units, and occasionally Medieval. See also 300: Barbarian aggressiveness now escalates based only on local cities (not those on other landmasses) dlph.28 grants Barbarians some initial tech in Advanced Start games. Tbd. If I really want New World Barbarians to have Longbows. I could give Barbarians more original research capacity (they already have a little, maybe by accident) and give the Barbarian leader a flavor value that matches the flavor of Feudalism. 303 Never build culture, can't build cultural buildings, found value considers only inner ring See also 003n simplifies some AI code for Barbarians, e.g. just sets espionage and culture weights to 0. Barbarians never build culture. Can only build the Can build all mundane buildings except: religious following buildings: Barracks, Granary, and research buildings, Theater, Security Lighthouse, Walls, Forge, Stable, Agueduct, Bureau, Int. Agency and Broadcast Tower. Colosseum and Bunker. Can expand its borders through Monument (or Castle); not sure how often they actually do that. The K-Mod Barbarians immediately expand their borders by building culture if they have the Music

Tenochtitlan); for that they need all the health and happiness they can get.

tech.

Want each Barbarian city to appear as an independent entity. If they expand their borders as in K-Mod, the borders can easily touch, and then Barbarian cities appear

Aqueduct, Colosseum: Want Barbarians to occasionally have populous cities (think

Rationale

like a unified empire.

| See also | Important for the New World because change 300 places Barbarian cities more densely on uninhabited continents. 300 also prevents Barbarians from building a road network. | | | |
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| Config | Buildings are disabled through Civ4CivilizationInfos.xml. | | | |
| placing Barb And some m | | All 21 tiles in the city radius are considered. K-Mod: There is already some special code for Barbarian found values. | | |
| Rationale | Since Barbarian borders never expand, it doesn't make sense to consider the outer ring. I also like that this makes Barbarian city sites distinct from normal city sites, and a bit weaker overall. | | | |
| See also | 300 fixes Barbarian city placement b | ugs. | | |
| 304 | synchRandPlot rewritten | | | |
| plot when the selection crit Barbarians, t | Picks plots at random until it finds one that satisfies the criteria, or gives up after 100 trials. selection criteria. Exception: For the placement of Barbarians, the function probabilistically fails to find a plot when fewer than four plots are eligible. | | | |
| Rationale | Don't want to place a Barbarian unit on every turn (or every other turn) in the same plot, so a probabilistic failure to return a plot is good. However, the probability for failure is too high in BtS and shouldn't depend on the map dimensions. | | | |
| landmasses | Barbarian cities are slightly less likely to occur on and again cities can appear again and again or and again and again or landmasses where Barbarian cities were landmasses that civs don't want to settle. destroyed previously. | | | |
| Tbd. | A similar mechanism could rein in XP farming (cf. 312); e.g. keep a (decaying) count of the number of Barbarians created and destroyed per tile, and base the per-tile spawn probability and overall creation rate on these counts. Could use Al strengthMemory for this (currently unused for the Barbarian player). | | | |
| | Could then also remove the special tsynchRandPlot. | reatment of Barbarian spawn locations in | | |
| 305 | Barbarian Work Boats | | | |
| Barbarian cities can build Work Boats, and tend to build them early, i.e. after producing 1 or 2 military units. Build Workers a bit later than in BtS, especially in coastal cities. | | | | |
| Rationale | To allow Barbarian cities to grow more population. The original developers had perhaps been worried that Work Boats would distract Barbarian cities too much from building military units. To make up for that distraction, I have Barbarian cities build Workers later. | | | |
| 306 | Units spawned on Galleys, Barbaria | n naval Al | | |
| See also | The Mongoose SDK PirateMod works similarly but hasn't been merged; I only learned about this mod component after implementing my own changes. | | | |

Barbarian land units can be placed aboard ships Barbarian land units can only be placed on land in the fog of far. If there is no such ship, the land units are placed on land tiles instead; the total number of Barbarians placed is the same either way. Barbarian ships with cargo target a nearby city with a naval assault, though the units can also be dropped along the way to the target. Once unloaded, the ships switch back from assault mode to "attack" mode, which works as in BtS: Harass a city for a while, then move on and patrol.

tiles, and their AI does not allow them to enter cargo units. Created cargo units only harass cities and patrol. Units produced in Barbarian cities, however, can undertake naval assaults. which is why naval assaults do happen in BtS, but very rarely.

Ships on patrol seek out unobserved tiles where they can receive new cargo.

| Rationale | Should make Barbarian sea units more interesting and harder to ignore; allows them to interact with civs that don't have worked sea tiles. | | |
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| Tbd. | When a Barbarian ship has been on the map for a long period of time, say, 20 turns, it should stop patrolling and just blockade a city; can get annoying if a player just can't build a ship for lack of a coastal city. | | |
| See also | 102 makes AI units on patrol more likely to move in a consistent direction. | | |
| resting for a turn from time to time promotion, Barbarian units heal only when they can heal fully in one turn cities, badly damaged Barbarian un | | Apart from hitpoints received from a received promotion, Barbarian units heal only in cities or when they can heal fully in one turn. Near civ cities, badly damaged Barbarian units never attempt to heal. If they're too weak to make an attack, they may patrol indefinitely. | |
| Rationale | If the civs fail to finish a Barbarian unit off, it should eventually do the smart thing and heal. | | |
| 307 | Post-Medieval Barbarians | | |

Barbarian units can be created by the game in all Can only receive and train Warrior, Archer, eras. Barbarians can receive and train Musketman, Cavalry, Anti-Tank and SAM-Infantry.

Cannot train Rifleman, Grenadier, Paratrooper, Frigate. As of **v0.94**, Musketman is the only post- Frigate. Medieval unit that Barbarians can receive or train.

Barbarians can't receive cities in Renaissance and beyond.

Starting from Renaissance, Barbarian research ignores tech prerequisites.

The Raging Barbarians option creates more Barbarian units in later eras: the tiles-per-unit divisor is reduced to 60% in the Ancient era, 52.5% in Classical, 45% in Medieval, 37.5% in Renaissance, 30% in Industrial, 22.5% in Modern and 15% in Future (relative to the divisor without RB).

Spearman, Axeman, Swordsman, Horse Archer, Longbow, Maceman, Galley, No Barbarian units created by the game in Renaissance and bevond. Can train Rifleman, Grenadier and

Barbarian cities still appear in the Industrial era.

In BtS, Barbarian research always ignores tech preregs, i.e. Barbarians can research e.g. Pottery and the Wheel simultaneously. K-Mod has changed this, so that Barbarians only make progress on techs that they could research if they were a civ.

RB reduces the divisor to 50% in all eras.

| Rationale | Gunpowder units mostly for Terra and similar maps – on normal maps, there is typically no land left for post-Medieval Barbarians to appear on. Therefore the reduced divisor for later eras with RB; so that RB players get to see the occasional post-Medieval Barbarian. | | |
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| | Muskets are supposed to represent natives that have acquired firearms (through trade or as spoils). Until v0.94, Barbarian Cavalry and (as a fairly ineffective type of infantry) Anti-Tank and SAM were also allowed. I'm reverting this because Cavalry practically never appears (requires a local Horse resource to train), and because advanced weapons like bazookas and MANPADS are jarring in the hands of the Barbarians. Would have to create custom units for the Barbarians to represent adequately e.g. mounted post-Columbian Amerindians or Daesh insurgents. | | |
| | Don't want Barbarians with firearms to be on par with properly trained armies, hence no Rifle, Grenadier and Frigate. | | |
| | No Pikeman: Two Medieval Barbarian units (Longbow, Mace) are enough, and I want mounted units to be effective against Barbarians, especially Cuirs/ Conquistadores. | | |
| | Barbarian research ignoring tech prereqs allows Barbarians to catch up quickly once colonies are founded. By the time New World Barbarians turn aggressive, they'll typically have Muskets. Interestingly, <u>Chronis</u> seems to have had the same idea years before me (though I haven't checked if he implemented it in the same way). | | |
| | No Barbarian cities past Renaissance: Seems more realistic, and enough cities are created in the New World during the early eras. | | |
| See also | 302 stops Barbarian research if they stop sharing a continent with any civ. 301 lets Barbarians only build units that some civ on the same continent can build. dlph.6 disables Barbarian Spies. | | |
| Marines (or in Modern-e | is it Infantry?) as free defensive units Machine Gun as free defensive unit. ra starts. | | |
| Rationale | Can't use Machine Guns to prevent Barbarians from pillaging. | | |
| 308 | Tech costs decreased when playing with Raging Barbarians | | |
| Increased te | ch costs for all civs in games with RB in the Classical in Medieval era. | | |
| Rationale | RB forces the civs to dedicate resources into fighting Barbarians, and as a result, global research tends to lag behind the historical time line. | | |

| 309 | No Animals option, patrolling animals prefer their native terrain/features | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| "No Animals" option added; disabled by default (i.e. animals do appear by default). "No Espionage" option removed. "No Barbarians' implies "No Animals". NB: Without animals, Barbarians tend to appear a bit quicker. | | Can't disable just animals, only all Barbarians. "No Espionage" was added with patch 3.17; 'converts espionage points to culture. (The game counts animals as Barbarians when deciding how many Barbarians to create on a given turn. Therefore, the presence of animals slows down the placement of proper Barbarians.) |
| Rationale | Animals are nice for teaching beginners how combat works, but too silly for some tastes. I guess one can always imagine they're "really" human nomads, say, "lion warriors" instead of lions. Don't want to clutter the Custom Game screen with options. The No Espionage option wasn't properly implemented and can't be recommended in its current state. Players | |

| | who dislike ospionage are arguably l | pottor off just ignoring it | |
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| O = fi =- | who dislike espionage are arguably better off just ignoring it. | | |
| Config | Assets\XML\GameInfo\CIV4GameOp | Visible to 1 for GAMEOPTION_NO_ESPIONAGE in otionInfos.xml. | |
| features (as | nimals favor their native terrain and defined in Civ4UnitInfo.xml). ter other tiles, but with a smaller | Animals spawn only on their native terrain and features but move indiscriminately. | |
| Rationale | Flavor | | |
| Credits | Idea from Mongoose SDK AnimalMo | d | |
| | less the landmass gets too crowded | Once the game stops creating animals, it removes one animal per turn from each landmass. | |
| Rationale | Buffalo flavor for the New World. On | ce colonized, the animals will start disappearing. | |
| - a resourd be reveal | e if that resource requires a tech to | Unless an animal attacks, it can't enter unowned tiles with resources or improvements. | |
| May always attack (no cl | enter unowned tiles through an hange). | | |
| Rationale | The resource avoidance can give away hidden resources; no fun to keep track of this Could simply always allow animals to enter resources – it's not like this prevents players from settling near those resources –, but predators coexisting peacefully with herbivorous resources could seem strange to some players. | | |
| | | occurs, but animals reclaiming abandoned ant them to block goody huts though. | |
| 310 | Great Wall reworked, balance chang | es to Great Lighthouse and Colossus | |
| Config | Can be reverted in CIV4BuildingIn | fos.xml. | |
| size, 3 on H obs. with Co 2 Great Mer | , 2 Walls (1 on Duel and Tiny world uge), | Cost 150, Masonry, no prereq. buildings, no obsoletion, 2 Great Spy points, | |
| i. +1 trade route in cities on the same continent except when playing with Raging Barbarians (RB). This ability is based on a "global trade routes" ability that was already in the game but unused. Now restricted to cities on the same continent. | | abilities (ii) and (iii) regardless of settings. | |
| borders o | Barbarians from entering your nthis continent (no change) except ving with No Barbarians. | | |
| iii.+100% emergence of Great Generals within owner's borders (no change) if playing with RB or No Barbarians. I.e. TGW doesn't have this ability anymore under normal settings. | | | |

| Can he huil | t on Classical and earlier starts. | Can be built on Ancient and earlier starts. | | | |
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| Rationale | massive building on Earth. Can be o | nsidering that it represents (arguably) the most costlier now that Barbarian activity peaks later (and t). Removing the GG ability under normal settings (wouldn't be a problem wrt. game balance). | | | |
| | Some segments protected a portion | the Chinese Great Wall was to protect traders. of the Silk Road. Similar to Castles providing an ang with this, but the goal is also to further sideline | | | |
| | A nice side-effect of the Wall prereq. is that Protective leaders get an implicit discount on TGW. Also makes sure that TGW can't be built before founding a second city – players should analyze whether they're exposed to Barbarian attacks before deciding to build TGW. | | | | |
| | visually; TGW still requires Masonry sense historically as well – walls (wi | v a bit better, and to make Masonry less cluttered v for the prereq. Walls. I believe this makes some ith protruding towers) are much more useful with 't explain why ordinary Walls don't require | | | |
| See also | Without <u>140</u> , which changes the for only 1 Wall would be required on St | mulas for the number of prerequisite buildings, andard-size maps. | | | |
| map is not s | The 3D graphic for the Great Wall on the main map is not shown along borders with other civs and not along peaks. Along the full length of the owner's cultural borders on the same landmass as the Great V city except at the coast. | | | | |
| Config | GREAT_WALL_GRAPHIC_MODE in Glob | palDefines_advc.xml | | | |
| Rationale | If the Great Wall isn't constructed in the early game, the graphic can get very long in BtS. Since the (primary effect of) the wall helps only against Barbarians, which don't normally enter from the territory of another civ, it makes sense to me to omit civ-to-civ borders. If this means that no wall segments are shown at all, then that's also OK with me. | | | | |
| Credits | I took the idea for the implementation Dawn of Civilization code, but it was | on from Leoreth (<u>link</u>). I also took a look at the sn't easily portable. | | | |
| The Great L cost 250; obs. with As | ighthouse (GLH): | cost 200 in BtS, 300 in K-Mod; obs. with Corporation | | | |
| Rationale | Too powerful in BtS, at least compared with most other wonders. And I don't like that this ancient wonder becomes most effective in renaissance (with Astronomy). I meant to nerf this later on (along with other balance changes), but with TGW obsolete at Corporation, GLH obsoletion needs to be moved right away. | | | | |
| The Colossus: cost 250 (as in K-Mod); obs. with Chemistry. | | cost 150 in BtS, 250 in K-Mod; obs. with Astronomy. | | | |
| Rationale | Don't want both Colossus and GLH seems reasonable; it's an extraordin | obsolete at Astronomy. The K-Mod cost increase narily cheap wonder in BtS. | | | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps Forge should be nerfed instead – if Forges weren't spammed everywhere, Colossus wouldn't be such a small investment. | | | | |
| 311 | Number of units from uprising events reduced (now independent of world size) | | | | |
| Tbd. | These events could use additional checks and balances. | | | | |
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312 XP from Barbarians counts half for Great General

XP from combat against Barbarians counts 50%, XP from Barbarian combat never counts for GG. rounded down, toward Great Generals (GG). Rounding down means that 1 XP (i.e. after combat with very one-sided odds or withdrawal) doesn't count at all toward GG. Units that already have 10 XP can't gain further XP from Barbarians (no change), and thus can't contribute to a GG either.

XP multiplier for attacking Barbarians reduced to XP multipliers are 4 when attacking and 2 when defending. Can expect to gain 2 XP from

3: no change when defending against Barbarians. Thus, can't hope to gain more than 1 attacking a Barbarian unit even at 95% odds. XP (0 GG points) by fighting a Barbarian unit at odds above 90%.

Upper limit for XP gain per combat set to 6. Consequently, can gain at most 3 GG points per Barbarian combat.

Can gain up to 10 XP from a single attack.

Rationale

It's not plausible that wars against Barbarians should produce no GG. Ancient China had plenty of GG that only fought against peoples that Civ would represent as Barbarians. I'd also like to give players a (fighting) chance to get a GG without starting a war.

The original developers must've been worried about Barbarian XP farming, and for good reason. Having Barbarians respawn in some cul-de-sac isn't difficult. Can be worthwhile to exploit just for getting units to 10 XP; which is why I think some restrictions were needed regardless of GG points.

Tbd.

Farming may still be feasible; is a 15% risk of losing a unit worth 2 XP and 1 GG point? Could be, especially if it's an outdated unit. Cf. Tbd. under 304.

Reduce upper bound for per-combat XP to 5 (2 GG points)?

Perhaps apply the XP restrictions to all combat; would like to reduce combat XP in general in order to lower the stakes in combat.

313 Difficulty-based combat bonuses vs. Barbarians

Set the Barbarian combat penalty against humans to 5% on Monarch, Emperor and Immortal. This is in addition to the 10% penalty for Barbarian Gallevs from K-Mod ("Disorganized" promotion). No change to the other difficulty settings and no change to the Barbarian penalties against the AI.

The penalty is 40% on Settler and drops by 10 percentage points with each difficulty level to 10% on Noble. Then 5% on Prince, and 0 on all levels above Prince.

Rationale

Despite the nerf to fogbusting (300), it still seemed best to rely mostly on fogbusting on the higher difficulty settings because fighting Barbarians at tech parity is very costly. This slight change to the combat penalty should make a significant difference because, when units are evenly matched, even a slight change in combat strength tips the combat odds from 50:50 to 60:40 or more.

haven't changed Deity because degenerate tactics (such as excessive fogbusting) are normal on that difficulty. Also matches the degression of the animal penalty, which reaches 0 only on Deity (see below).

| The combat penalty that animals receive is: | | | | | |
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| difficulty | vs. human | vs. Al | difficulty | vs. human | vs. Al |
| Settler | -60% (-100%) | -25% (-50%) | Settler | -70% (-110%) | -40% (-65%) |
| Chieftain | -45% (-75%) | on all difficulty settings | Chieftain | -60% (-90%) | on all difficulty settings |
| Warlord | -30% (-50%) | 30ttillig3 | Warlord | -50% (-70%) | 30ttilig5 |
| Noble | -25% (-35%) | | Noble | -40% (-50%) | |
| Prince | -20% (-25%) | | Prince | -30% (-35%) | |
| Monarch | -15% (-20%) | | Monarch | -20% (-25%) | |
| Emperor | -10% (-15%) | | Emperor | -10% (-15%) | |
| Immortal | -5% (-10%) | | Immortal | -5% (-10%) | |
| Deity | 0% (0%) | | Deity | 0% (0%) | |
| The numbers in parentheses include the penalty for Barbarians, which, as in BtS, also applies to Animals. | | | | | |
| Rationale The total penalty against AI units and the penalties agains difficulty settings seemed needlessly high to me. Losing at then won't hurt the AI much and could help delay the first civs. | | | osing an exploratio | n unit now and | |

| 314 | Tribal villages ("goody huts") revised | | |
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| See also | 315b makes it easier for Explorers to enter guarded Tribal Villages. | | |
| Config | Most of the specific changes to the Tribal Village outcomes are customizable and revertible through Civ4GoodyInfo.xml. I haven't added any new tags; instead, I'm e.g. using the Gold and Tech tags together to represent tech progress. | | |
| AdvCiv | Vanilla Civ 4 (no changes in WL/BtS/K-Mod) | | |
| All effects of goody huts are adjusted to the game progress. No such adjustment during the first 50 turns, nor after turn 250 (on Normal speed; these turn numbers are speed-adjusted). Most of the adjustments happen through a multiplier that is computed from the current game turn. That multiplier starts at 1 on turn 50 and increases superlinearly (power law) to 10 on turn 250 and then stays 10 for the rest of the game. | | The Warrior outcome is blocked until 20 turns have passed (not speed-adjusted), and Barbarians can only appear at a certain distance from cities. Apart from that, only the Tech outcome somewhat scales with the game progress (by granting a tech that can currently be researched). | |

Rationale

The main goal is to make huts discovered via Caravels or Galleons more rewarding. and thus also give Explorers a better use. And some of the free techs granted in BtS are too powerful in the early game – I quess that's why players commonly play without goody huts.

I'm tying the adjustment factor to the game turn rather than e.g. era because I don't want players to wait for an era transition before entering a goody hut. That's also the reason for the flat effects during the first 50 turns. Gold doesn't have any use in the very early game, so players might decide to let a hut "grow" before entering it.

The power-law function is supposed to mirror the overall economic growth, which is superlinear. I'm freezing the effects on turn 250 because I don't think that industrial civilizations can gain that much from visiting or raiding Bronze Age (or Chalcolithic) villages. "Times 10" is a nice and simple maximal effect (and one can kind of tell that the maximum is reached when a multiple of 10 gold is payed out).

Config

Start turn, peak turn and maximal multiplier are set in GlobalDefines advc.xml.

The High gold outcome grants between 40 and 100 gold, and the speed adjustment is based on 60 gold and High gold is between 20 and 120. the training cost modifier, i.e. only 200% on Marathon, Other than that, the payout during the and high difficulty settings (no change); e.g. on first 50 turns is as in BtS. By turn 250, the payout Monarch, Low is four times as likely as High. The is multiplied by ten (after being multiplied by the training cost modifier).

The Low gold outcome grants between 20 and Low is the more likely outcome on the medium amount of gold is fully adjusted to game speed. i.e. tripled on Marathon.

Rationale

120 gold is too much early on, but expected values between 40 and 50 are OK I think. considering that gold can't be utilized until city maintenance becomes a factor, whereas e.g. a free Scout worth 15 production (=30 gold?) is immediately useful.

Marathon games tend to be played on larger maps with more huts per civ, hence the smaller speed-adjustment factor than in BtS.

During the first 50 turns, goody huts grant 35 to 75 progress toward a tech. The tech is directly discovered only if that progress is enough to cover at least 80% of the (remaining) tech cost. The granted progress is adjusted to the game speed and game turn in the same way as gold (see above).

The tech is chosen uniformly at random from all pre-Industrial techs that the civ entering the Village is able to research, including the currently researched tech.

When the Tech outcome is rolled, the hut grants a free tech regardless of that tech's cost. The tech is chosen uniformly at random from among those currently researchable techs that are flagged as bGoody in Civ4TechInfos.xml. No game speed or progress adjustment, but tech costs increase with the game speed and progress. That said, the only post-Classical bGoody techs are Music and Astronomy, so the only way to benefit significantly from huts across the ocean is by reaching them in between Optics and Astronomy, and even then it's a long shot.

Note about a K-Mod change (from the summary in the K-Mod thread): "Free technology bonuses from goody huts are now allowed without settling a citv first."

Rationale

The expected amount of research is about the same as the expected amount of gold (considering that some research can go to waste when the tech is cheap or already nearly discovered). In the early game, research is going to be more valuable because gold can't be spent immediately; in Renaissance, gold is going to be more valuable because civs can funnel it into a tech of their choice via the research slider.

guess the bGoody techs were chosen based on whether a "primitive" civilization could plausibly possess them. I don't think this works for Astronomy, which unlocks Galleon and Observatory, nor for most other post-Ancient techs. Tech progress somewhat gets around this plausibility issue by merely suggesting that the primitives contribute to the discovery, maybe like modern astronomers employing knowledge from ancient Babylonian records. Such contributions strain credibility for techs like Radio, so I've taken the Industrial and Modern techs off limits.

Thd.

Should perhaps also adjust the outcome to the map size. Tech costs are higher on larger maps (e.g. 100% on Duel, 130% on Standard), and the current payout is going to grant a full tech only rarely on large maps, particularly on high difficulty settings. Then again, one could argue that larger maps have more huts and therefore each hut should provide less research than on smaller maps, if anything.

Might also want to adjust to game era; see 910.

Outcomes that can't be scaled up in a straightforward way, namely Map, XP, Heal and Scout, get a chance of being "upgraded" if they occur later than turn 50. The upgrade probability heals the unit entering the Village and Scout reaches 100% around turn 160. For Map, XP and grants a free Scout.

Heal, an upgrade means that another positive outcome is chosen at random and both are applied. For the Scout outcome, the upgrade is a free Worker instead of the free Scout.

Regardless of the game progress, the Map outcome reveals a randomized subset of tiles within a radius of 4, XP grants 5 XP points, Heal

Rationale

These four are pretty worthless when triggered by an Explorer; can't have so many dud outcomes. A higher amount of XP wouldn't help (not needed on an Explorer) and would be too similar to a Great Warlord.

A free Scout seems out of place when that unit is already obsolete; better to replace that outcome entirely than to roll an additional one. In Renaissance, a free Worker is not as valuable as tech progress or gold, but it should work well enough as a consolation prize.

| The Warrior outcome produces a free unit chosen based on combat strength and randomness from among those pre-Industrial combat units that don't require resources and for which the Barbarians have all the prerequisite techs, i.e. Warrior, Archer, Longbow or Musketman. (The same procedure is used when playing with "No Barbarians" as that option does not prevent the Barbarians from discovering tech.) | | Always produces a Warrior. | |
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| are also cho the number increases a | f hostile units (Barbarians outcome) sen as above. The lower bound for of hostile units (iMinBarbarians) little over time, but there's also and of 2 + iMinBarbarians. | Hostiles are always Warriors. The Weak Barbarians outcome usually spawns 1 or 2 Warriors and Strong 2 to 4, though as many as 8 are possible. | |
| up to two free promotions in half the upgread a promotion chosen rand Guerilla2, Walls The surroun | e free unit has a chance of receiving the promotions. Each of the two is assigned with a probability equal to rade probability (see Scout above). If is assigned, the specific promotion is lomly from Combat1, Guerilla1, roodsman1, Woodsman2 and Cover. ding terrain also factors into the the promotion. | | |
| Rationale Choosing the unit based on the game era would be simpler, but then Barba Archers would appear too early (even if game era minus 1 was used). | | | |
| | useful; the free promotions should m | Il usually have to be upgraded in order to be nake such an upgrade worth considering. I've vor. The selection algorithm is pretty complicated, by about that. | |
| See also | 302 curbs Barbarian research when this doesn't apply when playing with | civs don't share a continent with Barbarians. (But "No Barbarians".) | |
| The Worker Normal spee | | Only the Warrior outcome has such a restriction, presumably to prevent a super early rush. The | |
| | orobability of the Settler outcome on d Settler difficulty and set it to 0 on | Worker outcome can't occur on Prince difficulty and higher (no change). | |
| Rationale | | Noble difficulty, but, for a R&F game, it could so that difficulty setting shouldn't have grossly | |
| Config | The Settler changes are implemented through CivHandicapInfo.xml. | | |
| the expense | ne probability of the Tech outcome at of the Gold outcome so that Gold is o times as likely as Tech. | For most difficulty settings, Gold is three times as likely as Tech. | |
| Rationale | The Tech outcome is more interesting Tech can be awarded more frequent | ig than Gold. Now that their power level is similar, ly. | |
| Config | Through Civ4HandicapInfo.xml | | |
| Increased th | e size of the Tribal Village 3D model | on the map. | |

| Rationale | They're hard to spot on Forest tiles. I've also tried a more reddish, saturated color, but the increased size seems sufficient and a color change alone doesn't help because the BtS-size huts barely poke out of the trees. | | | |
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| See also | By now, I've added a Tribal Village "bubble" to the Resource layer (change <u>004z</u>), so the size of the 3D model isn't so relevant anymore. | | | |
| Config | Through XML\ArtCiv4ArtDefines_Improvement.xml | | | |
| Tribal villages are placed when starting in the Ancient or Classical era. Only when starting in the Ancient or Classical era. diabled through game options). | | | | |
| Rationale | Now that the effects scale, I don't see a reason to place huts in the Classical era but not in the Medieval era. In both cases, the human player starts with a single exploration unit. I like the huts as rewards for discovering unclaimed continents. Whe starting in Renaissance though, this is too easy as Caravels are available from the beginning. | | | |

| 315 | Recon units | | |
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| Rationale | To make these units more useful. Scout has the problem that Warrior provides sufficient exploration early on while also being highly useful for military happiness, ci defense and for staving off Barbarians. Moreover, on high difficulty settings, the Al grabs most of the goody huts. Explorer is rarely used at all. | | |
| 315a | Scout can attack Animals. | | |
| Rationale | Makes it easier to get promotions. Plus Scout requires Hunting, so it should know how to hunt. | | |
| Config | I've added a new tag bonlyAttackAnimals to Civ4UnitInfos.xml. | | |
| Tbd. | Give Scout the ability to enter Peaks. I've already gone through isImpassable checks in the code – should be OK. Might want to go through isPeak checks as well. | | |
| See also | Change 500b, once enabled, will make Warrior less useful for military happiness. 912c already reduces the military happiness from Hereditary Rule. 124 (trade routes only through revealed tiles) and the increased AI aggressiveness of K-Mod/UWAI compared with BtS reward repeated exploration. 250e reduces the number of free AI Scouts on Emperor difficulty. | | |
| 315b | Explorer can attack Barbarians, but can't capture cities and gets no free promotions. Culture garrison value: 3 (0 in BtS; Warrior 3, Archer 4, Axeman 4) | | |

| Rationale | It's quite common for goody huts to be guarded by a Barbarian unit by the time Explorer becomes available. In BtS, there is no way to enter such goody huts we explorer. That's kind of realistic – one can't expect friendly relations with the villa after killing their guards –, but the Explorer needs a buff, and it should be a buff makes it better at exploring rather than giving the Explorer some auxiliary use in warfare. It's also wrong to imply that the European explorers engaging in comba American Indians always acted in self-defense. | | | |
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| | With "no capture" as an additional ability ("attack only Barbarians" merely replaces "can only defend"), the unit gets too complicated, or at least too verbose, so I'm removing the promotions. They're not really useful anyway because Barbarians rarely attack Explorers, at least not on Forest, Jungle or Hill tiles, and Guerilla2 and Woodsman2 are unattractive for a unit that already ignores terrain movement costs. | | | |
| | Culture garrison value: E.g. Columbus became governor of Hispaniola. It's a pretty low value, but the same value as Axeman seems a bit high. | | | |
| Config | I've added a new tag bonlyAttackBarbarians to Civ4UnitInfos.xml. | | | |
| Tbd. | Replace the "ignore terrain movement cost" ability with a free Sentry promoti that work inside a Caravel? Should it?) When Scout gets the ability to enter F Explorer will have to get it too. | | | |
| | Are huts sometimes guarded by Archers? Even if an Explorer starts with a promotion from Barracks, a fully fortified Archer is a tough opponent | | | |
| See also | 314 makes overseas goody huts discovered in Renaissance more rewarding. | | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | | |
| from capturing Workers. Explorer can capture | | The "cannot capture cities" ability prevents Gunship (and any other unit that can't capture cities) from capturing Workers. | | |
| See also | Not relevant for now because <u>010</u> currently causes captured Workers to be destroyed | | | |
| Rationale | I'd like to enable Worker stealing again somehow in the future, and then another (rare) use for Explorer could be to steal Barbarian Workers for nearby colonies. | | | |
| 315c | Scout gets +100% combat strength against all Barbarians, not just against Animals. The AI may use Scouts and other exploration units to guard city sites (i.e. for fogbusting) when there is nothing to explore. | | | |
| Rationale | Warrior is still the better unit against Barbarians (as it should be) in every regard except mobility: greater benefit from combat promotions due to greater base strength; can attack pillagers; +25% city defense. | | | |
| 315d | Cap on early Scouts from huts | | | |
| outcome if their owner already has two or more | | Scouts can beget more Scouts, and, in the first 20 or so turns, it's not so rare to end up with a total of three Scouts when starting with a Scout. Here someone reported three Scouts in a row for a total of four. | | |
| Rationale | The third Scout is a weak outcome, and no fun because the map gets explored too fast. | | | |
| 315e | Huts within 3 tiles of the edge of a non-wrapping map can't yield the reveal-map outcome. | | | |
| Rationale | The reveal-map outcome is weak in any case. When one direction is blocked, it gets too weak I think. | | | |
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| 500 | Dormant changes; to be enabled sometime in the future. | |
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| 500a | Land of two rivers | |
| the commerc instead of 1. also works. N qualify. Exac | ring on more than one river get twice rce yield from rivers, i.e. 2 commerce. A tile is either river-side (+1 commerce) of the commerce of th | or isn't. |
| | a double-river tile leads to 2 on the city tile (akin to settling on | |
| | Plan to nerf the Financial trait further (908a), which will make rivers less useful double commerce bonus will make up for that a tiny bit. | ul. The |
| | But mostly just for added flavor. | |
| | Update: Probably won't ever enable this. Would provide too much extra commearth scenarios. | merce in |
| Config | Disabled in CvPlot.cpp. | |
| 500b | Demand better protection | |
| the defensive population si | lack of protection computed based on Any one military unit suffices to avoid "We strength of the local units and size. A single weak unit doesn't ice to avoid "We demand better tection". | Ve |
| at least half i computed as | res a total defensive strength equal to fits population. Defensive strength is as combat strength increased by nodifiers (e.g. from Archer, Wall, omotion) | |
| longer train, oproportional | nits, i.e. units that the city can no , count only half. The anger is I to the lacking defensive strength; ost sufficient garrison will lead to just | |
| | Requiring just any military unit becomes a pretty nonsensical rule by the Med Can either abolish it, or change it so that credible garrisons are required. | lieval era. |
| Config | Disabled through DEMAND_BETTER_PROTECTION in GlobalDefines_advc. | |

| Tbd. | Need to show "Garrison strength x.x, population: y" in help text when there is anger. Otherwise it's too difficult to learn. Remove the "can no longer train" clause; would get circumvented by cutting off strategic resources. Need to add something else to account for technological progress – don't want cities that don't grow to be guarded by Warriors indefinitely. Game era? But don't want all cities to demand better protection at once when the game era advances |
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| | Might make upgrades mandatory (if not upgraded in time, units refuse to fight with outdated equipment and defect). Then this change will be important because otherwise players could try to play around unit obsoletion (e.g. don't get Hunting so that Warriors can be trained indefinitely) so that they don't have to upgrade their city garrisons. |

| 550 | Changes to tech trading | |
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| See also | 130z deals with tech gifted by the Al | to rivals |
| 550a | Tech trade value dependent on tech score and power | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Al gives tech away cheaper (or expects to get it cheaper) when the receiving side is less advanced and powerful than the giving side; charges more if the receiving side is more advanced/ powerful. The effect is small in the early game and increases as the game progresses. Exception: Doesn't apply to vassal-master | | Tech trade value is independent of how well the involved civs are doing. (Vassals can receive free tech from an AI master if they're behind, but that's not a matter of trade value.) BBAI and K-Mod let AI civs that are falling behind technologically check for tech trades more frequently (no change in AdvCiv). Vassals charge less from their master for |
| relationships | , i.e. vassals don't expect to get | resources, trade embargoes and civic/religion changes. Tech trades are unaffected by vassal/master relation. |
| | A little extra catch-up mechanism. Also, when dealing with a backwards civ, it's smarter to be generous than to insist on a square deal. | |
| | For vassal-master, the basic idea in BtS is that the master can trade favorably with vassal. Don't want to turn this upside down. | |
| 550b | Al doesn't make bad offers for huma | ın tech |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| trade to a hu | n't propose or counter-propose any man civ that gives tech to the AI civ than 50% in favor of the AI civ. | The AI can (counter-)propose trades that are up to 300% in its own favor. |
| The AI always offers something when proposing a trade. | | May offer nothing at all. |
| Rationale | I used to accept bad AI offers for tech because I believed that they're due to partial research progress of the AI. That can be the case but often isn't; so it's a bit of a trap. | |
| Tbd. | The AI probably shouldn't contact players with bad non-tech deals either. | |
| 550c | Changes to tech monopoly threshol | ds ("don't want to trade just yet") |
| AdvCiv | 1 | BtS |

| | illing to trade tech if it has contact and still hasn't met most civs. | Al willingness to trade a tech is based on the percentage of known civs (excluding itself) that already know the tech. |
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| acts as if 40° | civ knows only one civ, the AI civ % of the other known civs already ch (when in fact it's 0%). | If the AI knows only one civ, the AI will hardly ever trade (unless Friendly) because the percentage is either 100%, meaning the other civ already knows the tech, or 0%, meaning the AI tries to monopolize the tech. |
| Rationale | This should make civs on small cont | inents fare better. |
| (TechTrade) are randomly points. This per game to same for all | er-specific thresholds for monopolies KnownPercent; between 0 and 100) y increased or decreased by up to 15 random adjustment is applied once each tech separately, i.e. it's not the techs, and can't be manipulated eated trade requests by a human | TechTradeKnownPercent is only adjusted for techs that the AI wants to monopolize badly, in particular military techs. There's no random component. |
| Rationale | The BtS monopoly thresholds are a bit too predictable in some cases, especially when there are just two or three civs on a continent. And e.g. Pleased Tokugawa <i>never</i> trading anything useful is depressing. | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps the issues with small continents are already taken care of by the change above; not sure if the randomization is still needed. | |
| 550d | Tech costs reduced if tech trading disabled | |
| on the Custo decreased b the map for a | lo Tech Trading" option is checked om game screen, tech costs are ased on the default player count of all eras except Ancient and Future. In bonus is the highest for Medieval ance tech. | "No Tech Trading" doesn't affect research speed, and such games tend to lag behind the historical time line. |
| Rationale | A lower bonus in the early game because tech trading doesn't become available until the middle of the Classical era even if it's enabled. A lower bonus after Renaissance because tech progress tends to get more disparate the longer the games lasts, and so fewer and fewer tech trades happen. | |
| Config | Can be adjusted or disabled through GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | |
| Tbd. | Would be unnecessary if there was a proper tech diffusion system to replace tech trading. | |
| 550e | Era threshold for "fear you're becom | ing too advanced" based on the recipient's era |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |

When a civ receives a tech in trade, all third parties who know the recipient increase their received-tech memory about the recipient (as in BtS), except when (as in K-Mod) the recipient had already researched 2/3 of the tech, or when the era number of the tech is at least 2 lower than the era number of the recipient, E.g. when a civ is in the Medieval era and receives Archery. no tech-received memory is increased.

Tech-received memory leads to "We fear you are becoming too advanced" (as in BtS), K-Mod adds the two exceptions. In the second one, game era (averaged over all civs) is decisive, not the recipient's era.

The recipient's tech-received memory (for "You've shared your discoveries") is also not increased when one of the exceptions above applies.

Rationale

K-Mod comment in CvDeal::startTrade: "This is to prevent the AI from being crippled by human players selling them lots of tech scraps."

Good reason, but this also affects human players receiving tech. Humans need to be able to tell whether a trade is going to count, and the game era is unknown early on, and tedious to determine later on.

I've extended the exceptions to "shared discoveries" because that's also exploitable in BtS.

Insignificant tech trades (2/3 progress or 2 eras behind: see above) are unaffected by the nobrokering game option. Regardless of the brokering option, such techs can be passed along on the same turn that they've been received.

The AI does not reject any tech trades on account of the no-brokering option.

Insignificant tech can also be traded immediately The tech brokering restrictions apply to all techs when it's received through some mechanism other than trade, e.g. the Internet or after the creation of a colonial vassal.

Techs can't be traded on the same turn on which they've been received in trade.

When the AI has already 50% or more progress toward a tech, it refuses to accept that tech in trade when "No Tech Brokering" is enabled: "We would have nothing to gain."

that a civ doesn't discover through its own research or Great People.

Removing the 1-turn delay made it much easier to implement the change to "no Rationale brokering". Also makes sense to treat techs that are traded when 2/3 complete the same way as techs discovered entirely independently. Tech received through the Internet is actually not subject to any trade restrictions in See also

BtS; <u>dlph.31</u> removes that inconsistency.

| 550f | Tech purchases | |
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| See also | 036 also affects the amount of cash that the AI is willing to trade. | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |

| The target amount of gold that the AI tries to keep in its treasury can be increased beyond the BtS value depending on the potential for tech trades. | | Based on civ size, leader flavor and units needing upgrades. |
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| When the an AI civ checks for possible tech trades with another AI civ, if it doesn't find a techfor-tech trade, then the first AI civ tries buying the tech that it is currently researching for gold (if the second AI civ knows that tech). | | but just gold for tech isn't possible. |
| Rationale | | r behind in tech. On the flip side, it means extra ne Al doesn't pay very well for tech, especially 551). |
| trade to a hu progress of t | , | Based on civ size, finances, gold previously traded (all still the case in AdvCiv). |
| Rationale | Should make it more likely that a sor the BUG gold alert triggers. | newhat fair gold-for-tech trade is possible when |

| 551 | Al trade value of tech reduced | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| When the AI trades for tech, the research cost of that tech is multiplied by 1.25 as part of the trade value computation. | | The multiplier is 1.5. For comparison, traded gold gets multiplied by 2. |
| Depending on how widely a tech is known, its trade value is multiplied by a factor between 0.83 and 1.17. | | The multiplier is between 1 and 1.5. |
| | Could argue that research and gold should have the same modifier because gold and beakers are essentially interchangeable. But gold should be more valued in trade because the other side loses the gold whereas imparting a tech costs nothing. By reducing the trade value of tech, I'm making it harder to conduct diplomacy (sponsored war, brokered peace, fair trade bonuses) through tech, and easier to buy tech with gold. I'm not setting the multiplier even lower (say, 1) because change 550a already makes it easier to buy tech (for civs that have fallen behind). | |
| Tbd. | The underlying issue is that it doesn't | t cost anything to share tech. |

| 552 | Al trade modifiers (XML) revised | |
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| AdvCiv | | BtS |

| Archery, Ho Tradition, Ed Composites Satellites, R Increased fr | | In trades, the AI treats some technologies as having a 10% higher value than their beaker cost would suggest, namely those listed in the left column and (no change): Feudalism, Flight, Machinery, Gunpowder, Rifling, Steel, Assembly Line, Railroad, Artillery, Industrialism, Rocketry, Fission, Fusion. |
|---|---|---|
| Rationale | The BtS weights seem to be aimed at military techs, especially nuclear war, and Space victory. I think this should be (and is at least in part) handled by the DLL; don't want an AI civ that isn't aiming at a Space victory to pay extra for e.g. Genetics. | |
| | I'm keeping the modifiers for military tech and I'm adding a few more, but not for pre- Medieval tech as pre-Medieval AI warfare is fairly rare. There is also CvTeamAI::AI_getTechMonopolyValue, which makes the AI not "want to start trading away this technology just yet," but if the AI still agrees to the trade, I want there to be an extra high penalty if it's a trade with someone's worst enemy. | |
| Tbd. | +10% trade value is not going to affect the enemy trade penalty much. Perhaps 130p should give the AI trade modifier some extra weight when recording trade values (peacetimeTradeValue). | |
| Config | CIV4TechInfos.xml | |

| 650 | Changes to nuclear warfare | |
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| Tbd. | Nukes need major balance and AI changes. My changes so far are very minor. | |
| See also | 130q about diplo effects of nukes 031 changes the AI evaluation of resources in a way that makes Uranium more attractive (once nukes can be built). dlph.7: Neutral units not hurt by nukes dlph.16: Minor AI changes 906 moves missile-carrying submarines to Rocketry and lets Stealth Destroyer carry missiles. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| Al uses air r | Al uses air recon along its coast. Al seems to use air recon only on rival cities. | |
| Rationale | Could reveal enemy submarines. Not enough to properly defend against Tactical Nukes, but the BtS AI doesn't even seem to try. | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod |
| Al willing to build the Manhattan Project unless it looks like it will win the game anyway, | | Al considers the Manhattan Project only when in the Dagger or Crush strategy, or when close to a Conquest victory. |
| Rationale | Rationale The AI shouldn't take risks with nukes when it's winning anyway (Conquest, or crushing its current war opponents). | |

| that aren't (prospective) war enemies deciding whether to build the Manhatt Not worried at all about unlocking nuk that are about to win the game (victor Utility value for gaining access to nuki into account the number of civs in the | an Project. es for rivals y stage 4). es takes game. |
|---|--|
| A K-Mod comment says that it should be up to the human player to decide whether he/she wants nukes in the game. I don't agree with that, but I mustn't make the AI so willing that some AI builds Manhattan most of the time; or at least not until the game is about to end. Generally, I'd like the AI to unlock nukes when a disliked civ is about to win the game. | |
| Al doesn't disband nukes when in fina trouble unless the only other remainin cargo units. | , |

| 651 | Changes to the Fallout Feature | |
|-----------|---|---|
| Tbd. | Would like to rename this to "Exclusion Zone", remove the Scrub action and place only a single one after a meltdown and none after a nuke. | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | |
| | | Oasis is the only feature that prevents cities. Coast and Ocean terrain also prevent cities. |
| Rationale | I think it's a bit more intuitive this way. (Ice only matters for the Civilopedia text; if water is explicitly forbidden, it seems cleaner to also forbid Ice.) | |

| 700 | Rise & Fall game option; see chapter <u>Rise & Fall</u> . Id 700: the fundamentals. Other ids only for code outside the R&F classes. Except for those highlighted in blue, all changes in the following are only relevant if R&F is enabled. | |
|-----------|--|--|
| Rationale | For the term "intermediate period": Ancient Egyptian periodization (Wikipedia). | |
| Config | The number of chapters, interlude length and scoring delay are configurable through GlobalDefines_advc.xml. | |
| Tbd. | Text so far only in English and German. | |
| | Earth1000AD scenario not currently supported. During initialization, <code>CvPlayer::verifyAlive</code> kills all civs because no cities have been created yet. I don't see how the R&F code causes this, but apparently, it does. Also, the unequal AI handicaps aren't currently supported by R&F. Would have to store the AI handicap (in <code>RFChapter</code> and in savegame) before human takeover and restore it when AI control resumes. | |
| | Should perhaps factor game settings other than difficulty into the Rise score, in particular the number and length of chapters. For now, my assumption is that a higher number of chapters implies a lower number of turns per chapter, which makes it harder to maximize the chapter score, and that this about cancels out. | |
| | R&F autosaves at the start of the human turn, not at the start of the round. Should do this also when R&F is disabled, especially in scenarios. | |

| Credits | Inspired by board games like <u>Peloponnesian War</u> and <u>History of the World</u> (both from 1991) and Kael's Assimilation mod (which is included in <u>Fall From Heaven II</u> and <u>RoM</u>). | | | |
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| See also | Since R&F scoring is partially based on victory stages, it somewhat hinges on change 115, which revises the computation of those stages. | | | |
| | 250b disables free wins against Bar | barians when the SPaH or R&F option is enabled. | | |
| 701 | "Require complete kills" option repla | aced by the R&F option | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | | |
| remaining ι | When the last city of a civ is captured, all its remaining units are removed, and the civ is eliminated; there is no option for changing this behavior. When "Require Complete Kills" is checked, uremain in the game when the final city is captured. A civ is only eliminated when all of units are killed and all cities captured. | | | |
| | | The option was added by patch 1.61. | | |
| Rationale | I had already disabled the complete-kills option (for the reasons stated below) before adding the R&F option. Removed it entirely now because it's easier to replace a gam option than to add a new one (while maintaining savegame compatibility). | | | |
| | Too much of a hassle to keep the complete-kills option in mind for all the AI code. I doubt that the WL, BtS, BBAI and K-Mod code can really handle it either, especially in team games when some team members still have cities and others don't. Not sure if this option was ever intended to be more than a gimmick. You even need to kill every enemy Spy (or since BtS: hope that the Spy kills itself somehow). | | | |
| Now, in principle, the AI still needs to be able to handle civs without cities be human player could decide to never found a city. Through Advanced or later-the player could even have a sizable army, not to mention scenarios. I'm tryin have the game at least not crash in such cases, but it's not really supported. (Barbarians don't necessarily have cities either, but get special treatment in rithe AI code; this works.) | | | | |
| Tbd. | Instead of just removing the units, remove some, turn some into Barbarians and turn some over to any teammates or (war) allies that the dead civ might have had before its demise. This is more plausible and doesn't create issues for the AI. | | | |
| Rise & Fall | option not visible on the Staging Roo | m screen. | | |
| Rationale | Not multiplayer-compatible. | | | |
| 702 | Error handling if game settings are | incompatible with D&E | | |
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| 702 | Error nandling it game settings are incompatible with R&F |
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| Not compatib | ble: multiplayer, team games (including Permanent Alliances), One-City Challenge, |
| SPaH | |

| 703 | "Score" tab on the Victory advisor screen |
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| | res of past chapters and the start dates of chapters still to be played. When R&F is tabs "Resolutions" and "Members" are merged into one in order to make room for |

| 704 | Changes to Dawn of Man (DoM) screen | | | | |
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| Show the s | screen at the start of each chapter. | | | | |
| Tbd. | In the later chapters, the DoM can appear with a few seconds delay. Seems like the EXE is too busy with something else. Perhaps this wouldn't happen if I'd launch the popup earlier. | | | | |
| See also | 004j: DoM screen shown after regenerating map 004x shows a choose-civics popup after the DoM screen when starting in a later era. | | | | |
| AdvCiv | BtS | | | | |
| Heading of Civilization | the DoM screen says "The Dawn of "Dawn of Man" ". | | | | |
| Rationale | Perhaps they were thinking of Kubrick's "2001", which shows a subtitle "The Dawn of Man"; but that is followed by a scene with apes | | | | |
| 705 | Rules and AI changes to prevent self-collusion (helping a civ from the previous chapter that hasn't been scored yet, or one about to be taken over) | | | | |
| In addition | to the AI behavior described in the <u>R&F chapter</u> : | | | | |
| The AI is a the player i | bit more lenient in pre-Currency tech trades – accepts if it receives only 90% of what receives. | | | | |
| If <u>UWAI</u> is | enabled, the AI refuses to talk when war utility is 20 or greater. | | | | |
| Rationale During a chapter, the player should (ideally) only have to consider the intere her current civ. The AI changes described above (and in the R&F chapter) cwith intermediate periods can't completely prevent self-collusion but make it less relevant. | | | | | |
| | Restrictions don't apply to civs that the player is probably not going to want to play in the next chapter | | | | |
| | Trade acceptance: With R&F, it can be extra annoying when the AI refuses to trade two techs of (almost) equal value, but won't accept a 2 for 1 either because this would already favor the AI too much. | | | | |
| | War utility threshold: Don't want players to bypass trade restrictions through reparations. | | | | |
| | Would be nice to give the player more feedback, e.g. a grayed-out "gift" button, or the AI responding "you're being too generous" when an offer is too good, but these things seem almost impossible to implement. I did manage to get the AI to say "no thanks" to gifts. | | | | |

Tbd. Perhaps the AI should always show some leniency in pre-Currency trades, i.e. regardless of the R&F option.

Perhaps reduce or remove the penalty for playing a civ multiple times.

Should the AI be willing to talk when all potential peace deals are too favorable for the AI? E.g. when the AI wants the equivalent of 1000 gold and the player doesn't have that much gold but does have some 5000-beaker technology. Currently, the AI is willing to talk then, and that's a bit confusing. Though refusing to talk would also be confusing I think – "How is that big technology not enough?"

The AI currently accepts certain resource trades that have a benefit for the AI side but no benefit for the human side. For example, if the AI has 2 Rice and needs more health, and the human has 0 Rice, the AI will accept a human non-surplus health resource in exchange for the Rice. Such a trade could make sense for the human player because of buildings like Granary, but, normally, it'll only help the AI. I have some notes archived (offline) about how to fix this, but I'm not sure if it comes up often enough to bother.

706 Changes related to Al Auto Play and switching the human-controlled civ

When the player "Retires", the current chapter completes on AI Auto Play. The intermediate periods in between chapters aren't actually AI Auto Play; there simply isn't a human-controlled civ at all.

I hide some UI interface elements during intermediate periods and suppress advisor screens and popups. This has required changes in a bunch of different places.

Rationale

The player may simply want to end a chapter because he/she doesn't feel like completing it. But retirement is mainly intended for situations when things are going too well. The civ could then become a huge obstacle in later chapters (or just win the game for the AI). Don't want the player to sabotage his/her own civ then.

Tbd.

After retiring, the player's civ keeps the game handicap, e.g. Prince, but, since the civ is treated as an AI, the AI modifiers from the game handicap also apply, e.g. 5% faster training of units on Prince. This is confusing, but difficult to change because the AI modifiers get applied in many different places. AI Auto Play without retirement applies the AI handicap (change 127), which is consistent, however, a retired civ should generally do rather badly because retiring is supposed to help when the player's civ gets dangerously far ahead. Perhaps set the handicap after retiring one higher than the game handicap (or always Monarch?) to somewhat cancel out the AI modifiers.

Known issue: When taking control of a civ via Civ Changer (Alt+Z) for debugging purposes, all non-expired messages that that civ ever received are displayed on the main interface. Calling CyInterface().clearEventMessages() from ChangePlayer.py doesn't get rid of them.

See also

Hinges on 127, which allows MoreCiv4lerts to work when the player takes control of an AI civ. Also records start and end of AI Auto Play in replays, which makes it unnecessary for R&F to record early retirement in replays.

707 Changes to the game end sequence

No game end upon defeat; Rise score shown als "final score" in HoF, scaled up ("normalized score") for the Dan Quayle screen.

See also 043: Uses stricter thresholds for the titles on the Dan Quayle screen.

| 901 et sq. | Changed stats | Changed stats | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Config | mostly XML-based | mostly XML-based | | | |
| See also 310 (Great Wall, G | | t Lighthouse, Colossus) wo less food. | uld also fit here. | | |
| Tbd. | See <u>this</u> draft of long-t | See this draft of long-term balance and historicity changes. | | | |
| 901 | AdvCiv K-Mod BtS | | | | |
| Forest Preserve | at Biology; +1 commerce | at Scientific Method; +1 commerce; +1 commerce if riverside | at Scientific Method; +1 commerce if riverside | | |

K-Mod 1.45 has added a 7th effect to Scientific Method, and enlarged all tech boxes to make room for a 7th icon. Not a good solution; surely no single tech needs to do 7 things.

Nature reserves originated in the early 19th century according to <u>Wikipedia</u>, which fits with Biology. I also don't see much of a connection between scientific method and forest preserves. Not a question of game balance really because Forest Preserves are rarely useful.

Removed the riverside commerce while I was at it. Simpler this way. Not much of a loss because Forests along rivers get chopped anyway (see also change <u>117</u>). Consistent with Lumbermills, which also provide commerce regardless of river in AdvCiv.

Tbd.: Make the Forest spread ability more predictable and more useful. Grant health instead of happiness.

| 902 | AdvCiv | K-Mod | BtS |
|-----|---|---|--|
| | +1 production initially; +1 commerce with Electricity; 4 turns to build; +1 production with | +1 commerce with Electricity; 8 turns to build +1 production with | +1 production initially; +2 commerce with Electricity; 8 turns to build +1 production with |
| | Replaceable Parts | Replaceable Parts | Replaceable Parts |

Watermills are decent with Replaceable Parts but rarely useful before that (whereas, historically, they were highly useful throughout the Middle Ages). The K-Mod change to Serfdom (+1 commerce from Farms) exacerbates this. One commerce at Machinery (also a K-Mod change) is the least that needs to be done.

Commerce from Electricity is apparently supposed to get the shift from waterwheels to turbines across (similar for Windmill). That's OK (electricity can be sold), but doesn't have to be so pronounced. Electricity boosting local production is also plausible.

Never saw why Watermills should be slow to build. Perhaps originally an attempt to make Serfdom attractive – well, that didn't work. Reducing build time is a way to make Watermill better early on without making it too good later on.

Tbd.: Still a bit unattractive. 6 turns to build but +2 production earlier?

| Lumbermill | at Guilds | at Guilds | at Replaceable Parts |
|------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | +1 commerce initially; | +1 river commerce and | +1 river commerce and |
| | +1 production with | +1 production initially; | +1 production initially; |
| | Replaceable Parts; | | |
| | 5 turns to build | 8 turns to build | 8 turns to build |
| | +1 production with | +1 production with | +1 production with |
| | Railroad track; | Railroad track; | Railroad track; |
| | doesn't remove Forest | doesn't remove Forest | doesn't remove Forest |

The middle column is K-Mod 1.45; I'm keeping the earlier version (not shown above) and I'm reducing the build time in order to give Lumbermill a little extra push. Also, Replaceable Parts is just one tech away from Steam Power, which grants +50% Worker speed, but since Lumbermills are now at Guilds, that bonus is still out of reach, so they really take a long time to build in K-Mod.

I don't think players can be incentivized to not chop all Forests along rivers; not without making Lumbermills too strong in the late game. Therefore, I don't like the river commerce ability (not on Forest Preserve either).

Tbd.: Want to move both Lumbermill and the +50% chopping yield (currently at Mathematics) to Machinery eventually, and apply chopping yields only to buildings and ships (not land units).

| 903,904 | reserved | | |
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| 905a | AdvCiv | K-Mod | BtS |
|-------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Galley | 3 moves, 3 cargo, cost 45 | 2 moves, 3 cargo, cost 50 | 2 moves, 2 cargo, cost 50 |
| Trireme | 3 moves, 3 strength, no bonus vs. Galley, upgrades to Caravel and Privateer, cost 45 | 2 moves, 2 strength, +50% vs. Galley, upgrades to Caravel and Frigate, cost 50 | |
| Caravel | 4 moves removed AI types "Reserve" and "Escort" | 3 moves | 3 moves |
| Carrack | 4 moves, 2 cargo, removed AI type "Reserve" | 3 moves, 3 cargo | 3 moves, 2 cargo |
| Navigation2 promo | Only available for units that can enter ocean | Available for all sea units | |

Should give Galleys a use in early warfare (fast deployment), and make them better explorers. If 3 moves aren't enough to make naval deployment useful in land wars, then 4 moves with Navigation1 should do the trick. Sea units moving twice as fast as infantrymen along roads is reasonable from a historic pov, but 5 moves might be a bit much, also gameplay-wise. Therefore, I'm restricting Navigation2. Makes sense that "navigation" benefits ocean-going vessels more.

4 moves for Caravel to keep it faster than the early ships. Now just as fast as Galleon, which is also more accurate historically. Carracks, caravels and galleons could travel at 4 to 5 knots, triremes at 2 to 3 (much faster during battle; see e.g. Olympias on Wikipedia).

3 strength for 45 production makes Trireme a viable warship (perhaps even the best) until Frigate, which should make Triremes more worthwhile overall and might help the AI, which tended to train too many Caravels previously. Should now train a mix of Triremes and Caravels, and use only Triremes for protecting resources and escorting Galleys. May still train too many ships, but at least Trireme is cheaper than Caravel. While I'm at it, the upgrade from Trireme to Privateer is a bit less painful than to Frigate because Privateer is cheaper than Frigate, and this should make AI privateering a bit more common.

Historically, trireme-based ships remained in use in the Baltic Sea until the 18th century, and their usage didn't decline until the 16th century. "[The Battle of] Lepanto [1571] marks the last major engagement in the Western world to be fought entirely or almost entirely between rowing vessels, the galleys and galeasses that were still the direct descendants of the ancient trireme warships." (Wikipedia)

Carrack: K-Mod had increased the cargo capacity along with the other transport ships, but I think this takes the unit unnecessarily close to Galleon, especially now that I've increased the speed (can't not increase Carrack speed if I increase Caravel speed). Back to 2 cargo spaces.

Tbd.: Require Optics or Astronomy for Navigation2; that's more elegant than the restriction to oceangoing ships. "Explore rival territory" of Carrack should perhaps not work with military units in cargo (unless those units somehow also have that ability).

See also: 124 assigns Galley the Explore AI type.

| 905b | AdvCiv | K-Mod | BtS |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Galleon (as in K-Mod) | 4 cargo 4 strength | 4 moves 4 cargo 4 strength cost 80 | 4 moves 3 cargo 4 strength cost 80 |
| Transport | 5 cargo 14 strength cost 100 | 5 moves 5 cargo 16 strength cost 125 requires Oil or Uranium | 5 moves 4 cargo 16 strength cost 125 requires Oil or Uranium |

| East Indiaman | unique Frigate | unique Galleon | unique Galleon |
|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | 5 moves | 4 moves | 4 moves |
| | 3 cargo | 5 cargo | 4 cargo |
| | _ | 6 strength | 6 strength |
| | bombard rate 12 | , , | can explore rival territory |
| | cost 90 | cost 80 | cost 80 |
| | upgrades to Destroyer or Transport | upgrades to Transport | upgrades to Transport |
| | req. Astronomy, Chemistry, Iron | req. Astronomy | req. Astronomy |
| | - | | |
| Privateer | 5 moves | 4 moves | 4 moves |
| Frigate | 5 moves | 4 moves | 4 moves |
| | 8 strength | 8 strength | 8 strength |
| | bombard rate 12 | bombard rate 8 | bombard rate 8 |
| | cost 90 | cost 90 | cost 90 |
| | upgrades to Destroyer | upgrades to Destroyer | upgrades to Destroyer |
| | req. Astronomy, | req. Astronomy, | req. Astronomy, |
| | Chemistry, Iron | Chemistry, Iron | Chemistry, Iron |
| Ship of the Line | 4 moves | 3 moves | 3 moves |
| | 10 strength | 10 Strength | 8 strength |
| | +25% vs. Frigate | +20% vs. Frigate | +50% vs. Frigate |
| | bombard rate 16 | bombard rate 12 | bombard rate 12 |
| | cost 110 | cost 120 | cost 120 |
| | req. Astronomy, Military | req. Astronomy, Military | req. Astronomy, Military |
| | Science, Iron | Science, Iron or Copper | Science, Iron |

Credits: CFC user vedg pointed out <u>here</u> that there aren't enough incentives for upgrading Galleons and East Indiamen.

Rationale:

Transport: Having just 25% more cargo space than Galleon doesn't justify a more than 50% higher cost. Often not worth upgrading. To balance out the lower cost, I've removed the offensive abilities, which aren't entirely unimportant against rivals without Combustion. The unit can still "besiege" water tiles, i.e. prevent them from being worked. The lower strength should give pre-Combustion ships a fighting chance against besieging Transports, and shouldn't make much of a difference against post-Combustion units. While I was at it, I removed the Uranium requirement for historical accuracy; see this CFC discussion.

East Indiaman: Also no incentive to upgrade to Transport. On top of that, historically, East Indiamen appeared a century later than galleons, and were usually larger than frigates. Rather than a warlike Galleon, this is now a Frigate with cargo space. The ability to enter rival borders is messy on cargo ships because these ships (and their cargo) don't get bumped upon declaring war (see *Tbd.* under 905a). The Civilopedia states that "the East Indiaman was inevitably slower than its descendants: the Ship of the Line and the Frigate." This appears to be nonsense: East Indiamen were often full-rigged clippers that could sustain speeds of 10 knots, whereas ships of the line sailed at perhaps 5 knots.

Bombard rates: 8 is the same as Catapult, far too little for ships equipped with cannons. Did not increase Ironclad's bombard rate (12 as in BtS) because at least early ironclads weren't as heavily armed as ships of the line.

Speed increases: Even early frigates appear to have traveled at a speed of about 10 knots; much faster than galleons. According to Wikipedia, "a long hull-design, which relates directly to speed" was characteristic for frigates. While early privateers were galleons, the Privateer unit in the game is contemporary with Frigate and should therefore have the same speed. Ships of the line traveled at about 5 knots, which is much slower than frigates, but rather faster than galleons and caravels.

Assuming some sort of logarithmic scale, speed 4 is justifiable. Speed 3 made it too difficult to use Ship of the Line offensively. See also this post of mine on CFC.

Ship of the Line: I don't love the K-Mod change to strength; it makes Ship of the Line stronger, which is good, but does so partly at the expense of Ironclad, which is also too weak. 120 production seems pretty clearly overcosted. I've restored the BtS Iron requirement because it doesn't make sense from a historical point of view to require Iron for Frigate and not for Ship of the Line. The latter requires more metal parts (cannons, cannonballs, nails(?)), and thus has more need of a cheap metal. The K-Mod changelog says the goal was to give "ironless civs a decent naval ship if they go for the right tech." Fair enough – but not really important. I hope my other changes to Ship of the Line can give the unit more plausible (niche) uses.

Bombard rates are still a bit too low. Ship of the Line and Ironclad need to be buffed further, and Frigate should upgrade to Ironclad. Want to allow Transport, Destroyer and Battleship with Coal, but with a movement speed penalty. Move Transport to Industrialism and Destroyer and Battleship to Artillery.

Could give Frigate and Ship of the Line +1 strength to make both more effective against Privateer and then restore Ship of the Line's 50% bonus against Frigate.

Frigate should be allowed to carry 1 "special" unit, or perhaps even a military unit, and should be able to enter rival borders (so long as no military units are carried). Caravel and Carrack should then upgrade exclusively to Frigate.

See also: 081 about AI changes to employ naval bombardment in land wars.

Config: Civ4UnitInfos.xml; note that East Indiaman is called NETHERLANDS_OOSTINDIEVAARDER in that file.

| I | ronclad | 3 moves | 3 moves | 2 moves |
|---|---------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | +25% Coast defense | req. Steel and | req. Steel and |
| | | req. Steam Power | Steam Power | Steam Power |

Rationale: To match the increased strength of Ship of the Line. The defense ability is a bit more flavorful than just +1 strength (and 13 would be an unusual strength value); ironclads had difficulty sinking each other and their battles tended to be stalemates. There is no generic defensive bonus in Civ 4 (though it would be easy enough to implement one), hence the terrain restriction. Note that cultural borders can allow an Ironclad to enter Ocean, so the restriction is not entirely irrelevant.

Removal of the Steel requirement gives Ironclad a longer window of utility. Also, the first ironclads, produced in 1862 for the US Civil War, were not clad in modern steel: the first steel mill in the US based on the Bessemer process was set up in 1865.

Tbd.: Stalemates aren't always fun; if it turns out that the ability plays badly, I could still just increase combat strength. It may also, despite the K-Mod change, still be too difficult to engage faster ships. Even early ironclads were only a few knots slower than frigates, so speed 4 would be justifiable; the restriction to Coast would still get across that ironclads aren't as mobile as frigates.

XML tag added for extra speed with access to a resource. Unused for now. "Access" means that either the unit's current tile or the owner's capital has access to the resource. The tactical side of the AI (CvUnitAI) is aware of the increased speed, but I haven't changed the strategic evaluation (CvPlayerAI) of resources and units.

Sevopedia articles about resources now have a "Units" box instead of "Allows" so that units can be listed in articles about resources. Buildings that require resources (none in BtS and, so far, also none in AdvCiv) are placed in the "Buildings" box instead of "Allows".

Tbd.: Should perhaps guarantee the extra move until the end of a turn if the resource was available at the start of that turn.

Use the ability for Industrial-era ships: allow them to be trained with Coal, but make them faster with Oil. Uranium should then be removed as an alternative requirement for Destroyer.

Rationale: Until AdvCiv 0.97, I had used this ability to represent auxiliary steam engines that were installed on ships of the line in the early 19th century (Wikipedia), but, when I realized that Frigate is too slow in BtS, this complication became unnecessary because, with Frigate at speed 5, Ship of the Line can have speed 4 without any special justification.

The details of what it means that a unit has access to a resource are a little messy. The trade network doesn't extend onto hostile tiles, but I don't want units to lose speed in hostile territory, especially not immediately upon entering. Relying entirely on the availability in the capital could lead to situations where a unit sits right on a resource tile in a friendly Fort or city, and still doesn't get the movement bonus when the tile isn't connected to the capital. With the current solution, a unit can, in theory, still lose its extra moves upon entering hostile territory, but this should be rare.

No strategic AI evaluation: I want to use this ability only for giving naval units (which are already fast) one extra move; i.e. the significance is going to be minor.

XML tag added for extra speed with access to a resource. Unused for now. "Access" means that either the unit's current tile or the owner's capital has access to the resource. The tactical side of the AI (CvUnitAI) is aware of the increased speed, but I haven't changed the strategic evaluation (CvPlayerAI) of resources and units.

Sevopedia articles about resources now have a "Units" box instead of "Allows" so that units can be listed in articles about resources. Buildings that require resources (none in BtS and, so far, also none in AdvCiv) are placed in the "Buildings" box instead of "Allows".

| 906 | AdvCiv | K-Mod | BtS |
|----------------------|---|---|--|
| Submarine | 24 strength 6 first strikes 7 moves cost 210 req. Rocketry, Radio, Uranium renamed to "Nuclear Submarine" | 24 strength +25% attack 6 moves cost 150 req. Radio, Oil or Uranium | 24 strength 6 moves cost 150 req. Radio, Oil or Uranium |
| Attack Submarine | 24 strength 6 first strikes 6 moves cost 160 req. Radio | 30 strength +25% attack 7 moves cost 200 req. Rocketry, Radio +50% vs. Submarine | 30 strength req. Rocketry, Radio 7 moves cost 200 +50% vs. Submarine |
| Switched graphics of | f (Nuclear) Submarine and | Attack Submarine | |
| Battleship | 250 cost | 225 cost | 225 cost |
| Destroyer | 200 cost ignores first strikes | 200 cost | 200 cost |
| Stealth Destroyer | 270 cost 30 strength 1 first strike can see stealth ships and submarines ignores first strikes can load 1 Missiles 30% chance to intercept aircraft | 220 cost 36 strength 2 first strikes can see stealth ships | 220 cost 30 strength 2 first strikes can see stealth ships |

| requires Stealth | requires Stealth and | requires Stealth and |
|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | Robotics | Robotics |

Rationale: The BtS submarines were too weak against Battleship and the role of Attack Submarine (hunter-killer) was too narrow. Now Attack Submarine is the ordinary submarine unit for the World Wars, and Missile Submarine a more expensive unit representing the cruise missile and ballistic missile subs of the Cold War. First strikes match the flavor of torpedoes and invisibility well; consistent with first strike on Stealth Destroyer. Strength 25 and 5 first strikes would have a nicer symmetry with the 50% withdrawal ability, but that would make Submarines a bit too effective against Destroyers, which, as anti-submarine units, get to ignore first strikes.

Increased the cost of Battleship in order to further weaken that unit against submarines. The BtS cost is also too close to that of Destroyer.

Stealth Destroyer isn't needed as an efficient combat unit, and this would also be unrealistic. The few stealth destroyers that have been manufactured are classified as multi-role guided missile destroyers, and have strong anti-air and anti-submarine weapons. These additional abilities make the Stealth Destroyer an expensive Swiss Army knife. Removed one first strike to make the multiple first strikes of the Submarines more special. The Robotics requirement seems nonsensical and makes the unit very difficult to access.

Credit: <u>Dawn of Civilization</u> lists Stealth Destroyer's submarine detection as a bugfix in its list of features: "Stealth Destroyers detect Submarines as (presumably) intended"

See also: 028 allows Submarines and Stealth Destroyers to defend weaker visible units.

I've only skimmed through <u>this thread</u> (title: "Submarine Confusion"), but I think the participants mostly agree that BtS has its two submarines confused.

164 makes the Blitz promotion easier to access (also for post-Renaissance ships).

Thd.

Destroyer is still a bit weak against Submarines. May have to give it an explicit combat bonus against Submarines (instead of relying entirely on first strikes vs. first-strike immunity), or give Submarines an Ocean attack bonus.

Would be nice to show the abilities shared by the two submarines more compactly in help text and Civilopedia:

"Submarine (invisible, reveals Submarines, can dive under Ice, can explore rival territory)"

Lower the strength of all post-Combustion ships a bit; they don't need to be *that* much more powerful than Ironclad.

Air recon shouldn't reveal Submarines so easily.

Would like to give Stealth Destroyer two missile slots, but so long as two Tactical Nukes can eliminate any stack, this seems a bit too dangerous.

Missile Cruiser needs work. Want to move it to Rocketry, but will first have to make room by moving the spaceflight stuff to Satellites.

| 907: Uniques | AdvCiv | BtS | before patch 1.52 |
|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 907a | strength 7, | strength 8, | strength 8, |
| | cost 40, starts with March | cost 45, | cost 40 |
| | named "Legionary" | named "Praetorian" | named "Praetorian" |

| Rationale | Clearly intended to be easy to recognize as powerful even for new players, and it worked, but this mod isn't for new players, and the unit is toxic for game balance. Supplants all pre-Renaissance units plus Musketman. Because it's so obvious, I'm nerfing this unit before all others. |
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| | 7 strength for 40 would be fine, I think, but bland. March is a promotion that doesn't give the unit more raw power, but is still useful, and a good fit flavor-wise as the Roman army was known for its forced marches. |
| | As for the name change (only in the English game text), Soren Johnson mentioned in a Twitch video that "Praetorian" was chosen over Legion(ary) to avoid repeating too many names from Civ3, and seemed regretful about this. Legionary is obviously a better fit for the BtS unit, and also fits well with my changes. |
| Tbd. | Nerf other early attackers, starting with Axeman; Legionary should then perhaps cost 45 again, which also fits with the high-quality equipment of Roman legions. |
| See also | 131 gives Legionary Attack City as its default AI type. |

| | AdvCiv | K-Mod | BtS |
|------------------------|--|---|--|
| 907b Quechua | cost 15, starts with Combat I named "Quechua Warrior" | cost 20 starts with Combat I +100% vs. Archer named "Quechua" | cost 15 starts with Combat I +100% vs. Archer named "Quechua" |
| Rationale | changes that. And playe Archer bonus end up wi | The BtS unit is far too powerful, and I don't think the K-Mod nerf really changes that. And players who aren't willing to take advantage of the anti-Archer bonus end up with a unit that is worse than a regular Warrior. "Quechua Warrior" because Quechua is just an ethnic group (like Oromo). | |
| Tbd. | Want to turn Holkan into the unique Warrior because such an early unique unit makes more sense for an early civilization like the Maya than for the Inca. Free Combat1 could still encourage rush strategies, so I'd rather give the unit an ability that lets it gain XP faster. The Quechua could then become a unique Maceman with lower combat strength and easier tech requirements than a regular Maceman. | | |

| 908 : Traits | AdvCiv | BtS | K-Mod |
|--|--|-----|-------------|
| 908a Financial | +1 commerce in tiles with a natural yield* of at least 2 commerce or a total yield of at least 3 commerce. | | (as in BtS) |
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^{*} By "natural yield" I mean the yield from terrain, feature, river and hill. Yield from improvement, building, trait or civic is not part of the natural yield.

| Rationale | The Financial trait is by far the most potent trait in the hands of the AI, to the point that games with several Financial leaders get far ahead of the historical time line, and, unlike most other top-tier traits, players can't help but exploit it. Plus, the K-Mod change to Serfdom makes Financial even more powerful. For these reasons, I've decided to nerf the Financial trait ahead of a full overhaul of the traits that I might still do in the future. |
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| | Several mods, e.g. <u>Rebalance the Realms</u> , raise the extra yield threshold from 2 to 3, which is easy to do through XML. In terms of power level this seems OK if building discounts are granted in addition (or other traits nerfed), but then there would be no trait that makes coastal cities more worthwhile (without also requiring the Colossus). |
| Config | I've changed the semantics of the ExtraYieldThreshold ability through the DLL. So, not really configurable; sorry. |
| Tbd. | Would like to split Financial into two traits eventually, one dealing with coast and rivers (seafaring flavor), the other with terrain improvements (entrepreneurial flavor). |
| See also | 031 and 053 reduce AI found values counted for rivers. |

| 909a: Late game units | AdvCiv | K-Mod | BtS |
|-----------------------|---|--|--------------------|
| | | +10% vs. Mounted +50% vs. Gunpowder | +50% vs. Gunpowder |
| Rationale | At 10%, Cavalry still was too effective against Machine Gun. Not a gameplay problem, but pretty unrealistic. It might be that charging machine guns on horseback is a better idea than doing so on foot, but it's still a bad idea. Also, 10% is an unusual modifier. | | |
| See also | CFC discussion | | |
| Tbd. | Cavalry is also too effective against Infantry. Machine Gun shouldn't be immune to collateral damage (none of the Siege units should be, but especially not Machine Gun). | | |

| 910 | Era tech cost modifiers adjusted (increased overall). These modifiers were added by BBAI. There's one per era, and it changes the costs of all techs in that era. K-Mod has tweaked them, and eventually (version 1.45) tied them to the inflation rate, a change not adopted by AdvCiv. | |
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| Rationale | To match the historical dates of discovery better. E.g. Gutenberg's printing press was invented around 1450, so the Printing Press tech shouldn't be discovered much earlier in a typical game of Civ. | |
| Config | Set in Civ4EraInfos.xml | |
| See also | 251 adjusts the AI research speed based on difficulty. 140 adjusts tech costs based on map size. 308 lowers tech costs when Raging Barbarians is enabled. 250d lowers tech costs when playing without tech trading. | |
| AdvCiv | BBAI | |
| The era tech cost cost. | modifier is applied to the tech Applied to the every civ's research rate. | |

| Rationale | | , as (modified) tech costs are prominently | |
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| prerequisite tech. Redumodifiers a bit, but it sechanges have accelerate enough to almost make | uced era tech cost eems that various Al ated the Al tech pace e up for the -20% v cost modifiers aren't that | BtS grants a 20% research speed bonus for every known prerequisite tech, even for the first prerequisite. (Only prerequisites represented by an arrow count in this context; called "or prereqs" in the code.) As a BBAI comment observes, "this [effectively reduces] the cost of most techs on the tech tree [by 20%]." Not all techs because e.g. Astronomy has no incoming arrow, and the six techs in the very first column have no prerequisites either. BBAI has added an XML setting for disabling the speed bonus for the first known prerequisite. | |
| because the original deve around those research tin dangles in the air is a tech nor cost. | | ch times (turns to research) mostly unchanged lopers and modders have balanced the game nes. Whether a tech has an incoming arrow or unicality that should affect neither research speed nent is more transparent than a research speed | |
| | adjustment. Note that research generated through the discover ("bulb") ability of a Gunaffected by research rate modifiers, so turning a research rate bonus a tech cost discount makes bulbs more powerful. However, this is pretty much evened out by the change to the era-based modifiers above. | | |
| Config | The BBAI setting is TECH_COST_FIRST_KNOWN_PREREQ_MODIFIER in TechDiffusion_GlobalDefines.xml. | | |
| Tbd. | Can't continue increasing bonuses from difficulty lev | tech costs; will eventually have to decrease the Al el instead. | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| Help text for technologies that the active player can research shows (also on the research bar) the research modifier for the given tech unless it's 0, and a breakdown of the modifier. Since all the static factors are now applied to the tech cost modifier instead of the research modifier, the only components in the breakdown are "from diffusion" (BBAI diffusion if enabled, otherwise the BtS research bonus from teams that already know the tech), "from tech prereqs" (more than one OR prereq) and "from teammate with same research" (see 156). | | | |
| Rationale | | ch speed is an important statistic. And need to ange <u>156</u> (in team games). | |
| On the research bar and the choose-research popup, help text shows when one researchable tech is going to speed up another. E.g. "Priesthood – Speeds up Writing by 20%" when Animal Husbandry already makes Writing researchable. | | Doesn't mention the link to Writing at all when Writing is already enabled by Animal Husbandry. | |

| See also | The BULL option "Speeds Up info" probably does something similar, but I just went ahead and wrote my own code because the text has to match the change in the blue box above and the one below. | | |
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| enabled by that tech ar order: 1. Techs that will be impleted that have anothe | e listed in the following mediately enabled before | Ordered by tech id, which is determined by the order in Civ4TechInfos.xml, i.e. arbitrary. | |
| Example: "Mathematics – Leads and later Calendar, Mu | | "Mathematics – Leads to Music, Civil Service, Calendar, Currency, Construction" | |
| Tbd. | Would be nice to do some account resources?) and I | thing similar for enabled units (also taking into buildings. | |
| | | speed: After AD 1400, the game continues in his is compensated by shorter steps later in the | |
| Rationale | | ahead of the historical time line in Renaissance, Renaissance tech costs by 25%. Now the game ring Renaissance. | |
| Config | Civ4GameSpeedInfos.xm | 1 | |
| Tbd. | some quick tests, the tech | | |
| | | of game turns to something like 480? The turn is so late currently that it's practically irrelevant. | |
| The tech cost modifier based on map size increases in small increments (5 percentage points) for the small map sizes, makes a jump from Standard (115%) to Large (137%) and a smaller jump from Large to Huge (150%). | | Duel size has 100% tech cost, from there it's +10% for each size level. | |
| Rationale | Trial and error. I don't und research rates than Stand | erstand why Large maps lead to much higher ard size. | |
| See also | 140 deals with other map- | size adjustments. | |
| The map size modifier techs. | is ignored for Ancient-era | Applies to all techs equally. | |
| Rationale | In the Ancient era, the map size doesn't normally affect the pace of expansion, and the number of civs met doesn't matter yet because tech trading doesn't become available until the Classical era. | | |
| Credits | Got the idea from the BASE mod (v6.3 <u>changelog</u> ; in German). It sounds like BASE might also exempt Classical tech. | | |
| Tbd. | Perhaps apply the modifier half (or times 75%) for Classical tech. | | |
| Tech costs are adjusted to the sea level setting (if The sea level affects the space available for the map has one): +20% with Low sea level, cities. | | | |
| See also | 137: impact of sea level or | n the number of supported players. | |

| Config | Added a tag to CIV4SeaLevelInfo.xml for the sea level modifier. The tag |
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| | is called iResearch because that's how BtS usually names tech cost |
| | modifiers. |
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| 912 : Civics | AdvCiv | K-Mod | | BtS |
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| Tbd. | Lots of problematic civics | | | |
| | Farm, Plantation -1 commerce from Town +50% Worker speed | +1 commerce Farm, Pla -1 commerce +50% Worke Low upkeep | ntation from Town | +50% Worker speed Low upkeep |
| | The switch to Emancipation is a bit too painful in the K-Mod version. At Low upkeep, Serfdom is usually still less powerful than Slavery, but that's not a good baseline, and, for the AI, I'd say Serfdom is more useful than Slavery even with Medium upkeep. | | | |
| | 131b assigns a negative popular now. | Al weight to I | Feudalism be | ecause the tech is too |
| 912b Pacifism | military cost 1 gold; only 0.5 gold for the Al | military cost | 0.5 gold | military cost 0.2 to 1 gold depending on difficulty (e.g. 0.2 on Settler, 0.5 on Noble, 1 on Deity) |
| | It's good that K-Mod dec the difficulty-based modi complicated. However, tl difficulty settings above I more powerful civics in E | fier was undo ne K-Mod cha Noble, and Pa | cumented ar ange made Pacifism had a | nd needlessly acifism cheaper on all |
| The AI used Pacifism rarely in K-Mod, and the AdvCive made the civic unusable for the AI. Therefore, the AI sunow applies to the Pacifism cost. This should be not not the BtS approach because the human cost is always the cost is simply 50% of that. Since the AI needs far more human players to guard its cities, I think it's fair to place anything that punishes a high unit count. | | | Al supply cost modifier of nearly as confusing as ys the same, and the Al nore units than the | |
| See also | 250d makes the AI supp | ly cost modific | er truly indep | endent of difficulty |
| Civics screen shows the inflation (i.e. shows just current total cost (hyporunning Pacifism) includ | 1 gold) and shows the thetical if not currently | Cost per unit including infl total shown. | | Cost per unit without inflation, no total. |
| 912c | AdvCiv | | BtS/K-Mod | |
| Hereditary Rule | 1 happiness per 2 militar +25% happiness from re Low upkeep | sources | 1 happiness Low upkeep | per military unit |

| Config | Can restore the BtS ability in Civ4CivicInfos.xml. If iHappyPerMilitary Unit is set to 2, the game treats it as 1 happiness per (one) military unit. | |
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| Rationale | The BtS ability is fiddly, encourages players to train lots of Warriors and never upgrade them (or generally to train more units than needed), makes it too easy to grow cities without buildings and is a poor fit flavor-wise (would fit for a military dictatorship). This ability should arguably be removed from the game entirely, but the replacement that I have in mind (see <i>Tbd</i> .) would require some other balance changes that I don't want to make yet. | |
| | I had to come up with a temporary solution after change <u>036</u> (Al trades away non-surplus resources if it doesn't need them) because there were too many civs offering happiness resources during the second third of the game and too few civs willing to import them. | |
| | The bonus to resource happiness should make Hereditary Rule better than Representation at least in some (rare) circumstances, namely when a civ has a lot of luxury resources (and the matching buildings) and needs even more happiness (due to war weariness I guess). The bonus also means that civs can normally get 2 extra happiness out of Hereditary Rule without making a particular effort, namely by having at least 4 luxuries and stationing a second unit. | |
| Tbd. | Want to give it +1 happiness from Monument and Castle and +35% or 40% happiness from resources in the end (and nerf Representation a bit). Will first have to make changes to the Charismatic trait and to Castle. | |
| 912d Slavery | New game option "No Slavery" prevents human civs from adopting the Slavery civic but allows cities with a Sacrificial Altar to sacrifice population regardless of civics. | |
| Tbd. | A replacement civic; see <u>future gameplay changes</u> , specifically <u>this</u> file. The Kremlin will also need a new ability eventually. | |
| Rationale | The balance issues with the hurry ability could probably be solved by allowing only 1 citizen to be sacrificed at a time and by basing the production yield on the city size, but the ability is also complicated, tedious to use (practically requiring the noisy can-hurry alert to be enabled) and highly unrealistic (less so with Sacrificial Altar). | |
| | So long as I haven't implemented a civic to replace Slavery with, disabling Slavery needs to be optional. Treat the "No Slavery" option as an extra challenge for the human player for now. | |
| | Of course one could simply not use Slavery, without the need for a game option, or use it only to train defenders in the event of a surprise attack; the game option is mostly intended to raise awareness. | |
| Config | Can hide the option in Civ4GameOptionInfos.xml. | |
| See also | 121 about how the AI uses Slavery. | |

| 913: Unique buildings | AdvCiv | K-Mod | BtS |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Tbd. | Plenty, but nothing really urgent. | | |
| 913a: Hippodrome | 1 Artist slot | 2 Artist slots | 0 Artist slots |

| Tbd. | Hippodrome should grant 0 Artists, but replace Colosseum instead of Theater, and Odeon should replace Theater. |
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| | I'm not happy with the K-Mod change because chariot races aren't exactly artistic performances. On the other hand, I don't want to switch the Greek and Byzantine unique buildings as described above yet (not prior to v1.0), and the complete lack of Artist slots for Byzantium is a gameplay problem. So, use a lame compromise for now. |

| advc.mxc | Mixed continents map script | | |
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| See also | chapter Mixed Continents | | |
| | 165 decreases the grid dimensions of maps with long coastlines a bit. | | |
| Rationale | I've been looking for a map where water matters and that still (unlike Archipelago) allows most players to place some 5 core cities on their home continent and to wage some land wars, and that isn't as predictable as Inland Sea or the Mediterranean setting of Tectonics (or Eyeball Planet or Caldera). Scripts that place the sea in the middle also give everyone at most two neighbors. Mixing together small and medium-sized continents (some of them merging into bigger continents) seems to work pretty well; "Big and Small", "Medium and Small" and "Not Too Big or Small" don't allow that, but "Continents and Islands" does. | | |
| Tbd. | Testing – I've looked at maps general haven't played even one full game o | ated for various settings and their statistics, but on the map. | |
| | Translations for some of the options (should do at least German for completeness' sake). To keep the script self-contained (portable), the hardcoded English texts should be used as a fallback. | | |
| Mixed Conti | Mixed Continents Continents and Islands | | |
| | ome options to reflect that this isn't a map with continents <i>and</i> islands. | Options named "continent size", "island size", "islands mixed in". | |
| Allow all landmass sizes for both regions. | | "Big and Small" allows only small ("snaky"), normal and massive continents for the first region and tiny and normal islands for the second. "Continents and Islands" allows all sizes for the second region, but no islands for the first. | |
| Rationale | I don't think a "Small & Small" map (without any continents) is going to play much better than Archipelago, but there's no harm in allowing it. | | |
| The maximal number of tiny islands is based on the map size. | | Regardless of the landmass settings, some tiny islands are placed on the map. The number is chosen at random between a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 4. | |
| | | Hills clump together a bit more in region 1 than in region 2. | |
| Rationale | Since region 2 can just as well contain continents, the "Continents and Islands" behavior is arguably a bug. | | |
| | Adjusting the hill grain value to the land grain value doesn't make much sense to me. In reality, the size of a landmass doesn't determine the ruggedness of its relief, and the sweet spot for gameplay also doesn't depend on the landmass size I think. | | |

| Use the defa tundra. | Use the default latitude thresholds for snow and undra. Custom thresholds that are higher than in BtS, i.e. less Tundra and Snow. | | | |
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| Rationale | The BtS thresholds had been too low – or at least unrealistic –, but I've already addressed that through CvMapGeneratorUtil.py as part of tsl. | | | |
| Tbd. | The K-Mod changelog says about "Not Too Big or Small" that "[z]ones are now more likely to have a buffer at the north and south poles." This buffer should perhaps be shrunk to match the AdvCiv tundra and snow latitude thresholds. | | | |
| "Add Plains" removed. | Options "Terrain Clumping", "Add Plains", "Reduce Desert" added. | | | |
| Rationale | The plains and desert options aren't useless but pretty random (Why can't Desert be added? What about all the other terrain types?) and thus confusing. Better to adjust terrain frequencies through the Climate option or adding a new climate type. (In fairness, the plains frequency can't be adjusted through climate.) | | | |
| | "Terrain Clumping" seems a bit less | arbitrary, so I'm -tentatively- keeping that one. | | |
| Config | Shouldn't be too difficult to re-enable just commented out. | e the removed options in Mixed_Continents.py; | | |
| World wrap | option added. | | | |
| Rationale | No reason why this script shouldn't h | nave that commonplace option. | | |
| See also | dlph.32 adds a world wrap option to | "Not Too Big or Small". | | |
| Mixed Contii | Mixed Continents Continents and Islands | | | |
| approximate ratio as in m | The sea level setting is used and has approximately the same effect on the sea/ land ratio as in most other map scripts (regardless of the region-overlap setting). "Big and Small", "Medium and Small" and "Continents and Islands" all ignore the sea leve setting. | | | |
| "Add Water" option removed. "Continents and Islands" has an "Add Water option instead. | | "Continents and Islands" has an "Add Water" option instead. | | |
| Rationale | Ignoring the sea level without so informing the player is terrible. May have been an oversight, or Sirian thought that the sea level should be controlled through keeping the two regions separate or mixing them together (the latter results in more land). Of course it's better to have a separate control. | | | |
| Config | The "Add Water" option is commented | ed out in Mixed_Continents.py. | | |
| | If the sea levels aren't fine-grained enough, more elements can be added to Civ4SeaLevelInfo.xml. I haven't tested it, but I think the mod should be able to handle additional sea levels. Replays will no longer be BtS compatible though (see 106i). | | | |
| AdvCiv | | K-Mod | | |
| "Not Too Big or Small" takes the sea level into account. Ignores sea level. No way to adjust the lan ratio. | | Ignores sea level. No way to adjust the land/ sea ratio. | | |
| Rationale | Since "Not Too Big or Small" doesn't allow regions to overlap, this change was easy to implement; strange that karadoc hadn't done this already. | | | |
| See also | Kek-Mod has added an "Adjust Water Percent" option to "Not Too Big or Small". Git commit | | | |

| test | Temporary changes for debugging and testing are marked with advc.test. or | |
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| | advc.tmp. | |
| • | Giant" world size setting commented out in Civ4WorldInfos.xml. I use it for tests with | |

| make | Changes to the DLL compilation process are marked with advc.make. | | |
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| Credits | The AdvCiv Makefile is essentially Nightinggale's, which is in turn based on DannyDaemonic's. (Firaxis didn't release any Makefile along with the SDK.) The Visual Studio (VS) project (.vexproj) and solution (.sln) files are also based on Nightinggale's. Added by devolution (Git commit, forum post): Makefile target Final_Release that enables more efficient machine instructions and, crucially, whole-program optimization, which speeds up AI turns by about 10%. | | |
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| Tbd. | Test my own changes with VS 2019 (free "Community" edition); only tested with 2010 "Express" so far (available here). I'm not going to install VS 2019 anytime soon though; too much of a hassle. If I do, these look like good install instructions. | | |
| | Make the use of the internal profiler | optional through Makefile.settings. | |
| | | of CvGameCoreDLL.dll into a new DLL to be I adopt that change, then VS 2019 will be | |
| AdvCiv | Nightinggale's files | | |
| _NO_DEBUG_HEAP enabled through the project Reportedly, Visual Studio 2015 and later vers have this enabled by default. | | | |
| • | arnings as errors) added to compiler kefile.project. | I haven't tried it, but I think compilation continues after compiler warnings. | |
| Rationale | nale NO_DEBUG_HEAP seems to be widely recommended in order to prevent the de environment from setting uninitialized memory to a default value, which can coerrors. | | |
| | Could also make these settings through files that aren't shared with other programmers (Makefile.settings, .vcxproj.user), but VS 2010 (which be from _NO_DEBUG_HEAP) remains widely used by Civ 4 modders and, as for WX, makes sense to force all contributors to resolve compiler warnings. | | |
| Makefile ta memory. | rget DebugMem added for debugging cr | ashes that result from accesses to uninitialized | |
| Rationale | Even without _NO_DEBUG_HEAP, certain memory errors don't occur in a debug build. I don't know if my selection of compiler options is ideal for this purpose; it's just something I improvised. | | |
| See also | dlph.34 splits one of the Python interface files to avoid exceeding the maximal size allowed for a debug information module. | | |
| | E_EDITOR added to the project file for a sounds macro work in the Visual Studio | Il builds with assertions in order to make K-Mod's 2010 editor. | |
| See also | Comment in FAssert.h | | |
| Removed a | an unused debug flag from Makefile a | and .vcxproj: CVGAMECOREDLL_EXPORTS | |
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| Credits | Adopted from this Caveman2Cosmo | os revision by Anq. | |
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| 2003 Toolkit compiled wit | that was included with Visual Studio | reDLL is compiled using the updated Visual C++ 2003 SP1 (from 2006). The code can still be nked in the how-to-compile-a-DLL threads on s slightly faster code. | |
| Credits | Got the files from alberts2, who <u>posted</u> them in the Caveman2Cosmos subforum. There appears to be no official download (of just the updated compiler) on Microsoft.com. | | |
| building a fin | • • | eDLL.rc) is written into the DLL only when d the mod name (I changed it to AdvCiv) and I've | |
| Rationale | I don't need the meta info during devinal release seems feasible. | velopment. Updating the mod version before each | |
| | Note that resource.h is probably of Studio's resource editor. | nly needed for editing the resource script in Visual | |
| Changes to | header dependencies. Mostly not ma | arked with any in-line comments. | |
| Credits | Based on Nightinggale's guide (in spoiler tags under "Fix Firaxis mess"). | | |
| Rationale | Mainly to reduce compilation time | | |
| Tbd. | I hadn't taken into account that CvGameCoreDLL.h gets precompiled (see PRECOMPILE_CFLAGS1 in Makefile). Placing headers that are unlikely to be changed in CvGameCoreDLL.h should speed up compilation. Caveman2Cosmos recently moved almost all headers into CvGameCoreDLL.h: SVN revision That seems unwise, at least for my purposes, as some headers do change frequently but there are plenty of headers that don't. Should perhaps move only (Wikipedia) "large header files, header files that include many other header files, or header files that are included in many translation units." | | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS (no significant changes in K-Mod/BBAI) | |
| Removed about 20 includes from CvGameCoreDLL.h and instead added them only to those cpp files that need them. Notably still included: | | CvGameCoreDLL.h has to be included (as the first header!) by all cpp files because it's essential for precompilation and because it includes some project-wide definitions. CvGameCoreDLL.h also includes about 50 commonly used boader files. | |
| CvEnums.h, CvStructs.h, CvString.h, CvGlobals.h, FProfiler.h, CvRandom.h, CvGameCoreUtils.h and (indirectly) CvDefines.h. | | includes about 50 commonly used header files, some from the Standard Library and boost, but mostly from the Civ 4 game core. This means that all cpp files need to be recompiled whenever one of the headers in CvGameCoreDLL.h changes. | |
| Removed the above headers from all cpp files that had included them redundantly. Many cpp files explicitly include headers alr included through CvGameCoreDLL.h. | | Many cpp files explicitly include headers already included through CvGameCoreDLL.h. | |
| Rationale | I'm assuming that the headers listed permanently. | above will remain in CvGameCoreDLL.h | |

Wrapper header CvGamePlay.h added, which includes CvGameAI.h, CvPlayerAI.h and CvTeamAI.h. CvGamePlay.h is included in all .cpp files that require all three AI headers. (In particular, it's included in most of the .cpp files for they're tied to exported functions that the EXE UWAI and R&F.)

The GET PLAYER, GET TEAM and getGame functions are defined in CvPlayerAI.h. CvTeamAI.h and CvGameAI.h respectively and can't easily be move to non-Al classes because calls. Thus, many frequently modded .cpp files

Recursively, the following headers are included in have to include all three AI headers. CvGamePlav.h as well:

CvGame.h, CvDeal.h, CvPlayer.h, CvCityAI.h, CvCity.h, CvUnitAI.h, CvUnit.h, CvSelectionGroupAI.h, CvSelectionGroup.h,

To reduce the number of include statements. Perhaps more important: It's confusing Rationale when classes that don't deal with the AI at all include several ...AI .h files. Thd. If the GET PLAYER, GET TEAM and getGame functions could be moved after all (perhaps through the .def file – see 003f –?), then this wrapper would no longer be

Removed BBAI'S AI Defines.h from CvPlayerAI.h. AI Defines.h is now separately included in the (currently) 14 cpp files that need it.

As proposed by Nightinggale, I've moved the distance functions from CvGameCoreUtils.h to CVMap.h and removed the CVMap header from CvGameCoreUtils.h. I went a bit farther by making them (non-static) member functions of CvMap.

needed.

CvMap.h still includes CvPlot.h and CvArea.h, which can't easily be avoided. I've removed CvPlot.h and CvArea.h from all files that had included them redundantly.

Similarly, I've removed CvCity.h, CvUnit.h and CvSelectionGroup.h from files that also include CvPlayerAI.h.

Reordered the include statements in most cpp files a bit so that related headers appear next to each other.

CvGameCoreUtils.h contains global utility functions. Some of these deal with distance computations on the game map. Those distance functions operate on CvMap and CvPlot objects and they're inlined for performance, meaning that CvMap.h (which includes CvPlot.h) has to be included in CvGameCoreUtils.h and thus, through CvGameCoreDLL.h, in every cpp file.

Some patterns are discernible, like including the class's own header file first and EXE-to-DLL interface headers last, but it's mostly haphazard.

Rationale Regarding the distance functions as CyMap members: Those functions don't operate on arbitrary coordinates – they require a CvMap object with specific dimensions for dealing with world-wrap. Tying them to a CvMap object communicates this relationship (which isn't entirely obvious) without taking away any flexibility. I've left global wrapper functions in place to avoid having to change all the function Thd. calls; there are hundreds of call locations. It would be nice to change at least those calls that already have a handle to a CvMap object. I'll do that when I happen to come across such code.

| tsl | "True Starts" map script. The idea is a script that generates a map based on the civs in the game, e.g. with a map portion that resembles Egypt's geography when Egypt is in the game. Not included in the AdvCiv mod so far; only a couple of preparatory changes (see below). | | |
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| | take too much work to complete and | . I do have a sort of proof of concept, but it would polish that. New idea: A game option that causes fer the map and starting locations have been parts of the True Starts script. | |
| See also | 129: Changes to the standard map g | enerator (resources, features) | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS | |
| The Fractal map script may generate land as far north and south as 75-80° latitude. Most map scripts (incl. Fractal) normally don't place any Tundra below a latitude of about 50-55° and the latitude bound for Snow is similarly increased (i.e. moved closer to the poles). | | All map scripts with polar caps place bands of water near the poles. For the Fractal script, those bands are so broad that there is normally no land beyond 65-70° latitude. Most other scripts (how?) place land closer to the poles, in particular Pangaea and Continents. | |
| | · | On Fractal, Tundra may appear as far south as 44° latitude. | |
| Rationale | 44° is about the Alps, way too far south for Tundra. In BtS, this oddity is somewhat evened out by land not extending as far north as it does on Earth. For my TSL script, I'd like to use realistic latitude values, but, regardless of that, I don't think the vertically compressed land has any advantage. On Small map size, the distance between the equator and tundra feels very small; and it's rather more interesting when a passage by ship between a continent and a pole isn't guaranteed to be possible. I think the thick polar water bands may also lead to unnatural (truncated) continent shapes. | | |
| Config | I had to hardcode the first part in CvFractal.cpp because the code exposing CvFractal to Python isn't part of the SDK. | | |
| | Tundra and Snow placement are set in CvMapGeneratorUtil.py. | | |
| Per-tile latitu | de values can be set from Python. | The CvPlot class computes latitudes on the fly based on the map dimensions. | |
| | | The standard terrain and feature generators in CvMapGeneratorUtils.py have a function getLatitudeAtPlot, but overriding that doesn't affect resource placement. To place resources according to custom latitudes, map scripts need to reimplement much of CvMapGenerator.cpp (as far as I can tell); PerfectMongoose actually does that. | |
| Tbd. | A map script dependent on a modified CvPlot class isn't nice. Maybe I can find another way later on. | | |

| sha | Changes to the merged Show Hidden Attitude Mod (SHAM) | |
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| See also | 130c: Changes to rank-based modifiers | |
| AdvCiv | SHAM | |

| | f the low-rank modifier because this abled by change <u>130c</u> . | "Developing nations should work together to catch up." |
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| rank-based r away the ran | hiding "spoilers". 130c changes modifiers so that they don't give lks of unknown civs. Rank-based ed as "You're getting ahead of us". | "We feel threatened by your large civilization." |
| First impressions and rank not shown when playing with randomized personalities. | | Shows the human first-impression penalty from the difficulty setting – which doesn't hurt but isn't exactly helpful. Hides rank-based modifiers. |
| | | y the true identities of the AI leaders too quickly. of just hiding them, but these modifiers are pretty |
| See also | 004q hides unusually high memory-based relations modifiers when playing with randomized personalities. | |
| _ | SHOW_HIDDEN_ATTITUDE in GlobalDefines_advc. Game text in HiddenAttitudes_CIV4GameText.xml. | |
| | 'This war spoils our relations" partly | -1 "going badly" if their war success is less than ours, "spoils relations" based only on how long the war has been lasting. |
| | | a needless complication. The AI not getting as nore sense. Gameplay-wise, it's mostly a matter enemy becomes the worst enemy. |
| toward a nor | n-vassal war enemy, " spoils our ncreased just enough to make the | War enemies can have any attitude toward each other, though anything better than Cautious is rare. |
| | l · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | r. Cautious is also weird, but less so, and <u>UWAI</u> peace a little ("Affection cost") if Cautious |
| | Vassals excluded because they don much; conceivable that attitudes ren | t choose their wars, and may not participate nain non-hostile. |
| AdvCiv | | BBAI/ Civ Accelerator mod |
| cached total relations value is compared with the sum of the breakdown. If the two values aren't equal, an assertion message is displayed, the attitude cache is updated and the breakdown is recomputed before being displayed. breakdown is read from the whereas the modifiers in the computed on the fly. If the (which should ideally never becomes apparent when the relations value doesn't materials. | | The total relations value shown above an attitude breakdown is read from the attitude cache, whereas the modifiers in the breakdown are computed on the fly. If the cache is out of date (which should ideally never happen), this becomes apparent when the displayed total relations value doesn't match the sum of the |
| | above is done in networked games ould result in an asynchronous e. | modifiers. Actually, only with the SHA-Mod the inconsistency is apparent – because, otherwise, hidden modifiers could be responsible for the discrepancy. |
| | any changes to the computation of the | de cache keep cropping up now and then, and ne relations modifiers can introduce new errors of ors from the end user and makes them easier to an attached debugger. |

| Tbd. | Check if I can make use of K-Mod's CvPlayerAI::AI_changeCachedAttitude to | |
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| | avoid recomputing all relations modifiers all the time. | |

| dlph | Bugfixes (and other changes) by DarkLunaPhantom | |
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| Credits | Source (Kek-Mod) I've only adopted those changes that were easy to make (cost/ benefit), and none that only deal with PBEM or Pitboss. | |
| Tbd. | The PBEM bugfixes would be nice to have too. Even if I don't test them; I doubt that they's break something. (The Pitboss changes might be too much work.) | |
| See also | 250c also includes a couple of changes by DarkLunaPhantom 001: My own misc. bugfixes I've reported some minor issues with Kek-Mod changes here. | |
| dlph.1 | "Circumnavigation bonus is now always preserved when forming permanent alliance, previously it was only when the player having it had smaller team number." (also fixed in K-Mod 1.45) | |
| dlph.2 | | movable espionage city visibility after forming the player with larger team number had visibility |
| | (As far as I understand, only dlph.26 fixes this properly.) | |
| dlph.3 | Defensive pacts despite war | |
| AdvCiv | | BtS |
| • | for defensive pacts despite war d adopted a bugfix and extension naPhantom: | When war is declared on a civ, the defensive pacts of that civ take effect and are then canceled. BBAI has an optional rule change that leaves defensive pacts in place after taking effect; disabled by default. |
| <i>while at war.</i> But the AI or | [s] defensive pacts to be signed " nly signs a DP when sharing all wars; when wars are no longer shared. | A civ that declares war loses all its defensive pacts. Can't sign defensive pacts while at war. |
| | wing defensive pacts to be canceled ancel) after a DoW. | |
| Rationale | May not make defensive pacts a lot more useful, but it's more plausible this way. As for my adjustment: "We'll aid you against any further aggression, but, in your current wars, you're on your own" doesn't sound like a typical military pact. | |
| | cancelation, resulting in a probabilist | code is removed, then <u>133</u> will handle the cic delay. This could give the DP ally enough time after a test, I think a DP will rarely survive a peace |
| See also | 130y reduces the diplo penalty from DoW triggered by a DP. 104i makes the AI willing to talk with all DP allies upon making peace with one of them. dlph.25 allows DP votes while at war. | |
| dlph.4 | Can't gift cargo if it contains units that | at can't be gifted. |

| See also | An addition to <u>123a</u> | |
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| dlph.5 | "Obsolete buildings and unused power plants (e.g. Nuclear Plant without Uranium or in a city that also has Hydro Plant or receives power from Three Gorges Dam) cannot trigger meltdown event anymore." | |
| | Further change by AdvCiv: Adjust the meltdown probability to game speed (always 0.05% in BtS). | |
| dlph.6 | Barbarians can't build spies. | |
| See also | 307 prevents the Barbarians from training some later-era units. | |
| dlph.7 | Can nuke despite neutral units; they take no damage. | |
| Rationale | If the neutral units took damage (without having to declare war), this would again be exploitable. Units in nuke range not taking damage is counterintuitive, but I don't see a better simple solution. Once the range of nukes is restricted to a single tile (a change I plan to make), it won't be so strange anymore that only hostile units are hit – one can imagine units of different owners are encamped separately. | |
| dlph.8 | "Fixed bug in AI evaluation of gifted unit for the purpose of relations bonus." | |
| Not merged | "Player cannot gift combat units to third party which in war with rival with whom the player has unbreakable (temporary or permanent) peace treaty. Also, the receiving player now must satisfy technology requirements (both for the unit itself and for the prerequisite resources)." [link?] | |
| | "Free units from tribal villages cannot move in their first turn. Gifted units are immobile only if they change teams." Git commit $\underline{1}\ \underline{2}$ | |
| | These aren't restrictions that players would intuitively expect, and I'm not sure that they're necessary. (I do think that there should be diplomatic consequences for gifting units beyond "traded with our worst enemy.") | |
| dlph.9 | "Fixed how AI and worker actions treat fallout feature. Fallout had bNoImprovement set to 1 signaling to AI that no improvements can be built there which didn't make sense since fallout can be cleared just like forest and jungle can. This made AI far less likely to scrub fallout (if at all) than to chop jungle although the features are similar. Improvements can now be built directly on top of fallout and fallout will be cleared in the process just like it is with forest and jungle. | |
| | Fixed interface and AI bug that caused the game to sometimes wrongly show an improvement as unbuildable. Sometimes the game doesn't [realize] that an improvement can be built. E.g. plains jungle yields 0 food so farm cannot be built as it requires 1 food, but farm can be built there by chopping the jungle as the underlying plains terrain yields 1 food. AI followed the same slightly flawed logic as did the interface. My fix for fallout feature introduced many more such situations." | |
| dlph.10 | "Added verification of state religion. Player shouldn't be able to keep their state religion when there are no cities with it anymore." | |
| Rationale | Disabled this again. I don't want to force a civ out of its religion while it may still try to reconquer its holy city. | |
| Config | Disabled through CvPlayer::doTurn. | |
| dlph.11 | "Fixed advanced start bug with reduced unit costs. Advanced start code is bad in general so I just fixed the immediate problem. (There was a way to get extra gold by refunding a worker while having expansive trait.)" | |

| dlph.12 | "Removed Disorganized promotion from free barbarians boats with hidden nationality. Hidden nationality units shouldn't be too obviously (non-)barbarian." |
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| | (But I'm not allowing Barbarians to have Privateers.) |
| dlph.13 | "Fixed permanent alliance bug with AP/UN leader. Similar as with other permanent alliance bugs, if AP/UN leader had higher team number than its permanent ally an empty team would become AP/UN leader instead of the newly formed team." |
| Not merged | "Changed condition when is a team considered AP/UN full member (and thus eligible for election). Previously all team members had to be full members, but now at least one is enough." |
| | I don't have an opinion on how this should work. |
| dlph.14 | "Set barbarian unit [gold] costs to 0. These costs don't affect barbarians directly, but they still do influence some decisions." |
| | Git commit |
| dlph.15 | "Moved the code for building missiles for missile carriers outside of assault only case. K-Mod made similar change for building planes for carriers already so I did the same for missiles. Also fixed a bug when checking whether there are enough missiles already." Git commit |
| | "Fixed a bug (?) in missile production AI. Missiles for filling up missile carriers should be built in low productivity cities and not high productivity cities." Git commit |
| dlph.16 | "Bomb Shelter was previously always evaluated as almost completely worthless (!!!). I think that AI should build it as soon as possible pretty much everywhere as it is very cheap and effective." |
| | Git commit |
| Not merged | "SDI evaluation previously ignored that nukes can quickly obliterate entire militaries and there were some issues with estimating number of nuclear attacks." |
| | Too much work to merge considering that the rules for nukes will have to change at some point, and that the AI code will have to be revised afterwards. |
| dlph.17 | "Game era calculation changed from rounding down to rounding of all players' average era." |
| | Git commit |
| Rationale | I had always assumed that it worked this way, and I'm frequently referencing the game era in AI and Barbarian code, so this should be a significant improvement. |
| Not merged | "Added Advanced Settlers game option. When used, settlers behave similarly like in Advanced Era starts, i.e. new cities start with more buildings and population as the game progresses through eras. Settler era is a minimum of player's era and game era []" |
| | I want to add something like this, but I'm not quite happy with the implementation. Looks like it could reward stockpiling Settlers, and the cost of a Settler can increase while in production if the player or game era changes, which is a bit messy. Alternative solutions implemented in other mods: A second Settler unit ("Colonist") with a tech requirement in late Renaissance (which mod was that?) and Realism Invictus's Ministries. Another idea: A production bonus for Ancient and Classical buildings from e.g. the Steel technology. |

| dlph.18 | | ays set to their default value as they cannot be and switching between mods can mess up those | | |
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| | (But I've implemented it through Cv1 | InitCore::resetGame.) | | |
| dlph.19 | "Capital cannot be moved while spaceship is underway. Reason is the fact that capturing the capital destroys the traveling spaceship, so capital cannot be hidden in this way after the launch." | | | |
| Tbd. | Would prefer to let the production cost of Palace increase over the course of a game. This could also make it easier to move the capital in the early game when starting in an awkward spot. | | | |
| See also | cdtw.6 causes the AI to move its cap | oital when close to a Space victory. | | |
| dlph.20 | "Fixed Bomb Shelter effect for non-combat units. Bomb Shelter used to reduce the probability of nuke destroying a non-combat unit from around 80% to around 2-3% (these probabilities are not immediately obvious and have to be calculated; exercise is left for the reader) because someone was not careful with probabilities. NUKE_NON_COMBAT_DEATH_THRESHOLD was probably picked so that the probability is close to average nuke damage to combat units (which is 79%). | | | |
| | I changed the chance to destroy a non-combat unit to exactly 79%, and Bomb Shelter halves that so those are now exactly the same as average damage to combat units. NUKE_NON_COMBAT_DEATH_THRESHOLD is now unused." | | | |
| | Git <u>commit</u> , later <u>bugfix</u> | | | |
| | The formula sounds legit; just copied it. | | | |
| dlph.21 | "Show barbarian territory on the minimap and in the globe view." | | | |
| | Git commit | | | |
| dlph.22 | "Changed average handicap [in multiplayer] from round down to round." | | | |
| | Git commit | | | |
| See also | 250a bases that computation on diff XML. | iculty values assigned to each handicap through | | |
| dlph.23 | AdvCiv | Kek-Mod | | |
| Culture after which conve culture. I've liberation an I've merged the creation | merged; no tile culture is removed. Trade is handled by change 122, erts only a fraction of city and tile adopted the equal treatment of d regular city trade from Kek-Mod. this change. Cities liberated upon of a colonial vassal still receive the eat's also the case in Kek-Mod. | "Reworked how culture behaves when a city is razed or acquired. Razing a city will now erase (most of) its plot culture. Trading a city will transfer both city and (most of) plot culture to the new owner. Not all plot culture will be included because plot culture is generated by different mechanisms (e.g. trade routes and free plot culture) and increasing and decreasing city culture doesn't result in adding and removing the same amount of plot culture. Also, liberated cities don't get free units just because a vassal acquired them and diplomatic votes resulting in changing of city ownership will leave old owner's culture intact. An attempt to get more consistent and sane plot/city culture effects related to city trades." | | |
| | | Git commit | | |

| | A single movement point spent on razing a city shouldn't be enough to ethnically (let alone culturally) "cleanse" a region. Likewise, city ownership agreed to on paper shouldn't instantly resolve all ethnic/ cultural conflicts in favor of the new owner. | |
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| Tbd. | Razing should cause some loss of tile culture. | |
| dlph.24 | "Colonies don't inherit espionage points from parent civ anymore (this didn't seem fair or necessary), but they do inherit EspionagePointsEver." | |
| | Git commit | |
| , and the second se | "Colonies cannot reuse player slots anymore as this can cause weird bugs sometimes and this is the easiest fix. Number of players can be easily increased (it already is 48) so this is not necessary." | |
| | The maximal civ count in AdvCiv is only 18 and increasing it comes with a performance penalty. Reusing slots is not really compatible with the Immortal Culture changes (I suppose culture will be set to 0 when the colonial vassal is initialized), but I don't think I want to disallow colonial vassals in games with 18 civs. | |
| | "Reworked resolutions. Fixed multiple bugs and inconsistencies with conditions for proposing and defying resolutions. [] Vassals cannot defy resolutions anymore. Players can defy resolution assigning them a city. AI can now choose (and vote) to repeal resolutions." | |
| | Git commit | |
| | Changed it so that only capitulated vassals are unable to defy. Voluntary vassals can defy everything except war and peace votes (in BtS, they can defy everything, in BBAI they can defy peace votes but not war votes). | |
| | Regarding a comment in CvPlayerAI::AI_diploVote about vassals and friends of the Secretary General in repeal votes: "[O]nly important if the Secretary General plans to vote yes. Incorporating the other case properly would be a lot of additional work". I've tried to do that extra work; hope I got it right (so that friends and vassals help the Secretary General repeal resolutions). | |
| | "Human vassals are forced to vote for their master. Unless they are also a candidate themselves." | |
| | Git commit | |
| | Only relevant for the $\frac{R\&F}{R}$ option because humans can't normally become vassals in AdvCiv. | |
| | I'm only applying this to capitulated human vassals. | |
| | "War resolution can now be proposed against voting members (and non-members). Defensive pacts with attackers are cancelled before implementing war resolution." | |
| | I don't think this ever works the way it's implemented in Kek-Mod. CvGame::canDoResolution checks if all voting members – including the target! – are able to declare war on the target. I've corrected that: Now only full members are checked, only they declare war and only they can defy the resolution. These change are tagged with dlph.25/advc. Moreover, only peace treaties of the AP leader can block a war resolution; peace treaties of other members don't matter. (But the AI tries to honor its promises by voting against war when there is a peace treaty.) | |
| | Shouldn't expect human players to keep track of peace treaties between AI civs, and don't want to allow players to block war votes by signing peace treaties (e.g. by asking for a gift). K-Mod already allowed vassal agreements to override peace treaties. | |
| See also | 130f deals with stop-trading resolutions in a similar way. | |

Thd. Looks like a human war vote target (non-full member) will now get to vote. Should be an automatic vote against instead. That's handled by CyGame::addVoteTriggered. Planned changes to membership rules (see 178) will address the problems with war votes in a simpler way. And I don't think I want civs without a state religion to be eligible targets for war votes. Not meraed "Religious population for votes in AP is now divided by number of religions in the city, Defiance penalty is now given to the whole team if one team member defies a passing resolution." This penalizes civs too much for heaving multiple religions and might weaponize Missionaries of non-AP religions. Also, a state religion tends to have larger communities than a non-state religion (and a civ with a state religion not matching the AP religion already has its votes reduced). Not sure about the defiance penalty. If civs vote individually, then it seems that they should also bear the consequences individually. 130v makes capitulated vassals vote along with their master and places many other See also restrictions on capitulated vassals. 178: My own changes to AP votes dlph.26 Git commit Finally fixed the bug with espionage visibility. Adjusted CvTeam::shareItems so that only use is enough." (Cf. dlph.2) "Scaled third party counter towards new team with number of players in each team for consistency. Fixed bug with no tech brokering status not being preserved properly. Espionage points of the new team and towards the new team are now sum of the old ones instead of max." All this only concerns Permanent Alliances. 'Changed how multiple war declarations work. declareWar used to nest war declarations, now they are queued to trigger defensive pacts and everything else in the correct order." This may also be an improvement in other situations; hard to say. There was a bug preventing updates of the attitude cache; fixed. The bugfix was also included in Kek-Mod <u>0.25</u>. Not merged "Increased victory conditions for permanent alliances. Number of required spaceship (for now) parts is multiplied by (1+0.5*(number_of_players-1)) rounded up. Number of required cities for cultural victory is multiplied by (1+0.5*(number of players-1)) rounded down." Git commit

"Adjusted domination thresholds for permanent alliances. Minimum land percentage is now 100*(1+n)/(3+n)+1 where n is number of players in the team. This used to be 51 for all teams. For domination population, in addition to 25% lead required, the population of the second best team is scaled with the standard ratio of (1+0.5*(n-1)) values for both teams (with a minimum of 1), i.e. larger lead is required in the case that the second best team has less players." Git commit 1 2

Perhaps very sensible changes, but it's difficult to say without really having played with Permanent Alliances. This would have to be mentioned somewhat prominently in the main part of the manual.

| Already handled by 704, 250c. "Added OOSLogger. OOSLogger creates a file with all the data used for computing the sync checksum when OOS is detected. Idea from Fall from Heaven 2 by Kael. Implemented as a slight modification of the version in ExtraModMod by Terkhen. Implemented as a BUG module." Git commit 12 The log is created in the Logs folder and named "OOSLog". I've added the same checks as for the MPLog (I think that's actually SynchLog in the INI, not RandLogging) is disabled, fixed a few of bugs and made some minor adjustments. These were also adopted by Kek-Mod 0.25. The log is sometimes triggered because game scores don't match. On the next time slice, scores are updated by CvGame and back in-sync. Not sure if this is a false positive or a problem with CvGame::setScoreDirty Somehow getting called asynchronously. Move this mostly into the DLL? A CvGame function would be easier to keep updated with the OOS checksum computed by CvGame. And in Python, syntax errors go unnoticed and then parts of the log is lost when an OOS error actually occurs. To be merged: A similar but hopefully more potent tool by Nightinggale: Git commit Logging of game net messages by alberts2: SourceForge revision "Barbarians also get some starting tech in advanced start. [] Techs they get in advanced start are the average of all player's tech status after advanced start." Git commit "[] [D]on't try to give free units or advanced start points to barbarians." Git commit "[] [D]on't try to give free units or advanced start points to barbarians." Git commit The rest of that second commit is covered by 250c. | Not margad | "Changed how maximum distance is calculated" |
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| "Fixed a bug in target city evaluation for cities that would be autorazed." Git commit | Not merged | |
| | dlph.29 | "Fixed a bug in target city evaluation for cities that would be autorazed." Git commit |
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| dlph.30 | "Added leader and civ icons to scoreboard." Git commit |
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| | Disabled by default. |
| | "Unmet dead civs can now be shown in scoreboard." Git <u>commit</u> "Name, civilization and color of dead players are not concealed." Git <u>commit</u> Covered by <u>004v</u> . |
| dlph.31 | "No tech brokering for techs acquired by Internet." Git commit |
| _ | <i>"Show a message when a player abandons its state religion."</i> Git <u>commit</u> Covered by <u>150a</u> . |
| dlph.32 | "Added choice of map wraps to Not to Big or Small mapscript." Git commit |
| | Indeed strange that the map didn't have that option. |

| Not merged | "[O]ption to adjust water percent in not_too_Big_or_Small. Default water percent in not_too_Big_or_Small is 74 and sealevel options can change that by -8/0/+6. Adjust water percent option can change that by 0/-5/-10/-15/-20/-25." Git commit Too extravagant. |
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| | "Added a new climate [] called Warm and is mainly characterized by less ice and tundra. It is available for all mapscripts that use default climate system. Created by AjmoCiv." Git commit |
| | Not as evocative as the other climate settings. |
| Not merged | "Added Gigantic map size. It is larger than Huge. A lot of values in CIV4WorldInfo.xml seem arbitrary, but I tried to preserve some kind of pattern." Covered by advc.test. |
| dlph.33 | "Changed espionage costs for teams. I want costs to scale with 1+0.5(number of members - 1), but since there are two teams (and two directions) involved, it will scale with the square root of the ratio of those values. Idea for formula by Fran." Git commit (Fran must be a player at "Zulan's Civilization corner") |
| | In BtS, mission costs aren't adjusted to the team size at all. K-Mod 1.45 multiplies the cost by the team size. The same handicap (+50% per team member) should apply as for tech costs – which is what the Kek-Mod formula does. |
| Not merged | "Changed how unit type for draft is determined. []" Git commit 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Too much work for too little gain. |
| dlph.34 | "Split CyCityInterface in two parts. Its size was obstructing compilation of debug DLL. Some minor spelling corrections in changed files." Git commit Large Python interface files can lead to a "debug information module size exceeded" error when compiling a Debug DLL. I've never encountered that error, but keldath has confirmed it. |
| dlph.35 | "Changed some details of how starting locations are picked. []" Git commit $\underline{1} \underline{2} \underline{3}$ |
| | "Starting area picking system is changed so that it doesn't overvalue large, but very bad areas. When picking starting location, locations with very little food (before normalization) will be avoided if possible to avoid starting on the edge of very bad terrain (after normalization)." In part already addressed by 027. I like this not only because of fairness, but also because it avoids terrain changes during "normalization". That said, the Kek-Mod change is unlikely to matter on a regular map with default settings. |
| | "Fixed a bug in location evaluation in case when starting location needs to be picked again in advanced start." |
| | "In advanced start, the possibility of automatically exchanging starting location with a teammember under certain conditions is now removed. (Why was that even there?)" Merged but disabled . It seems that the BtS code doesn't have any adverse effect and perhaps it does somehow lead to a fairer turn order in team games. |
| | "Strengthened starting location (pre-normalization) food prerequisite. Instead of 5x5 area, the whole standard advanced start sized area is checked for food." |
| Not merged | "Starting location picking system is now the same in every game mode. After randomly assigning preplaced starting locations, it first picks locations for some number of Als depending on handicap, then for all humans and then for the rest of Als. Order doesn't depend on player id numbers. This is done this way because locations picked earlier are usually better." Covered by 108b except perhaps for team games, but all that is a bit complicated, so I'm not going to bother with it (again). |

| Not merged | "Require debug mode for cheat actions and tooltips." Git commit |
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| | Covered by <u>135c</u> . |
| dlph.36 | "Wonder list now uses player text color instead of primary color." Git commit |
| Not merged | "Adjusted era factors in calculations and added calculation for number of non-early religions, both primarily for mod compatibility" Git commit |
| | The use of era numbers in the AI code is indeed a problem for mod-mods. This commit is a good start, but some important <code>getCurrentEra</code> call locations are missing, especially (obviously) those added by AdvCiv, but also the extra city defender assigned to coastal AI cities in the Renaissance era. As for AdvCiv, the code for measuring distances between cities comes to mind. So this needs more work, but I don't have time right now. If I get to it, I should add functions <code>AI_getEraFactor</code> to CvGameAI, CvPlayerAI and maybe CvTeamAI. That should be more readable. |
| dlph.37 | "Fixed a crash when pillaging is intercepted by sea patrol. []" Git commit |
| | l don't think I ever experienced that crash, but it sounds plausible that it could happen. |

k146 K-Mod update 1.46

"Fixed estimateCollateralWeight with non-combat units."

"Fixed potential divide-by-zero in AI_estimateBreakEvenGoldPercent"

"Fixed overflow bug in CvCity::doPlotCultureTimes100"

Not merged; AdvCiv had already fixed these.

"Adjusted of attitude of human players toward AI."

Not merged; I think I got this covered already.

"Restored WHEOOHRN scoreboard indicator."

Not merged; see 210a.

"Tweaks to default options."

Not merged: "Great person bars should be on by default." (Disagree. Perhaps for people with wide screens because the bars fit on a single row then, but not everyone has such a screen.)

"Increased trade culture rate. Instead of 1% per culture level, it's now the average of that and the max rate. ie. percentage = (current level + max level)/2:"

Merged although trade culture is disabled by default in AdvCiv (see 125).

"Updated loading hints: [...] added [...] alt-wake [...]"

That's the only new hint I've merged (press Alt to wake up units worldwide).

"changes to Al_techValue [...] Increased chop value."

I had to water this down a bit because, in combination with change <u>036</u>, the AI was prioritizing Bronze Working and Iron Working too much.

The remaining changes, i.e. the bulk of the update, are in the back end of the AI and I've merged them almost without adaptation:

"Fixed handling of AI_follow actions which split the group.

CvSelectionGroupAI::AI_update no longer assumes that the group stays intact with CvUnitAI::AI_follow actions."

This fixes a fairly rare non-reproducible crash-to-desktop bug.

"Added CvPlayer::haveResourcesToTrain

This is used to help with AI decisions when it isn't clear which city we'll be building in." Used in just one place so far though.

"Decreased food devalue rate. (Fast growth is more highly valued.)

bEmphasizeFood causes more optimistic evaluation of slave-whipping.

SlaveryValue re-written to use a 'devalue rate' system.

growthValue now takes into account the food cost of worked jobs.

'plotMagicValue' now (usually) assumes fully-upgraded improvements.

'Emphasise food' should work better now.

CvPlot::getYieldWithBuild bWithUp now uses full upgrade rather than 2 stages."

"AI_updateCommerceWeights now better understands focused espionage.

Having very high values on the espionage weight slider are now taken to mean that you don't want to spend espionage on the other teams. This reduces the chance of the AI choosing to assign spies inappropriately. Previously, having a non-zero weight against a team was taken to mean that the player wanted to [have?] espionage points against that team - and thus espionage was more highly valued if the points were low. Now that is only the case if the weight is above a certain threshold. The threshold is based on total weight, and number of teams etc."

"Minor tweaks to CvCityAI::AI_buildingValue

Reduced building value of free-tech. (The evaluation for this is still just a very poor guess; but it is very difficult to evaluate it properly. A true evaluation would require details which we currently do not take into account.)

Reduced the value of espionage commerce multipliers."

"Many changes to AI_techUnitValue

We now use slightly more detailed war state info: bLandWar, blsAnyAssault.

Default AI type max value weight increased from 100 to 250, but calculated weight decreased. (ie. Units that are good at their default role will now be valued much more highly; but units that are poor will be valued slightly lower.)

Increased max value weight for non-default types (from 100 to 150).

Adjusted most military values based on bLandwar status, as well as other strategy adjustments; such as for ECONOMY FOCUS.

Added an optimistic value bonus for tech which reveal required resources."

"For UNITAI_COUNTER, reduced value of attack modifier, added value for defence modifier. Reduced value of speed. For UNITAI_CITY_DEFENSE, added value for hills defence."

"Tweaked small-city yield evaluation. Yield evaluation now assumes that cities with population < 3 will want to grow, even if there are currently no good jobs. This helps prevent flip-flopping with food plots."

"Many changes to Al_techValue.

Disabled the random value bonuses for techs with iPathLength > 1. (Raw bonus, and bonus from wonders). ie. techs for which not all preregs have been met no longer get these random bonuses.

Note: This is partially to help the AI focus on real benefits; but a big reason for removing this randomness is a technical one. [...] changing the way multi-step research paths are evaluated. Having randomness in prereqs could upset the evaluations because the values will be used for several techs.

Decreased random wonder value.

Increased the value of gold trading.

Changed several constant values to scale with the number of cities. (These things don't necessarily have anything to do with the number of cities. We're only multiplying by cities so that the value scales like things which are evaluated properly.)

Moved project evaluations to a new function: Al techProjectValue.

Increased value of civic improvements.

Decreased the value of religions.

Rewrote evaluation of bonus techs. It's now based on the average of the max tech cost and average tech cost for currently researchable techs.

Renamed bignoreCost to bFreeTech, to better reflect what the argument is used for. Rescaled the return value so that it is roughly comparable for free and non-free tech.

Renamed "tech whoring" to "tech ground-breaking", to better reflect the concept. (ie. getting the tech first, for better trade options.) Slightly increased the value."

"Rewrote CvPlayerAI::AI bestTech to better consider tech pathways.

Previously the AI would choose to beeline high-value techs within the depth limit without considering the prerequisites at all. This sometimes led to poor choices; eg. getting stuck on very high cost prereqs, or researching prereqs which would obsolete important bonuses. In the new system, the AI only ever chooses techs that they can research; but adds value based on which techs follow on.

NOTE: this is a totally new system which will require some changes and balance."

I had fixed these two bugs and another one mentioned here by Mattygerst, but replaced my bugfixes with the code karadoc released in early May 2018. I've decreased the DepthRate so that the AI is less interested in

beelining toward powerful techs. I worry that a high DepthRate makes AI tech paths too predictable.

"Minor changes to AI unit movements.

Tweaked attack threshold for AI_attackCityMove. Increased the acceptable number of ship loading turns AI_attackCityMove

Disabled the 'smart' danger aversion in Al_pirateBlockade. (It was computationally expensive, and not particularly effective.)"

l've written a cheaper danger check as a replacement.

| kmodx | Bugfixes from K-Mod Extended |
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| Credits | By alberts2 <u>Git repository</u> These issues appear to have been found through a stricter compiler or some other code analysis tool. A lot of it just improves hazardous code, but there are also actual bugfixes, e.g. comparisons between different enum types and a mix-up of inner- and outer-loop variables. Hard to say how significant these bugs were, but good riddance! |
| | I'm listing the descriptions of the merged Git commits below. |
| | K-Mod 1.45 includes these fixes as well, but I had merged them separately before v1.45 was published. |
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| See also | l've run the code through <u>Cppcheck</u> , went through about 1000 (style) warnings and fixed numerous minor oversights. My corrections are mostly unmarked (as the point of the changes is often to improve readability, and tags in the code would run counter to that), or else marked with id <u>003</u> (or <u>001</u> in the case of minor bugfixes). Several hundred warnings remain, which are more or less false positives as far as I can tell. |
| | 003j deals with unused functions discovered through Cppcheck specifically. |

| cdtw | Al changes by Dave_uk |
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| Credits | Source (LoR SDK ModMod) Dave's changes in the LoR code are tagged with "CD Tweaks". I don't know what the "CD" stands for, but, anyway, hence my tag "cdtw". |
| | I've adopted only a small portion of his changes because some are only important for LoR (with its focus on modern warfare), many superseded by K-Mod/AdvCiv and a few I didn't find worth having (e.g. because of a planned gameplay change or too minor). And I've made some small changes to the code I did adopt. |
| cdtw.1 | "vassals are more keen to keep [rather than raze] cities, as they can't declare war themselves to expand" |
| cdtw.2 | Regarding the AI choice of target city when in a Blitz or Fast-mover strategy: "when blitzing place higher value on cities with no defense modifiers" |

| cdtw.9 | In Unit AI, a few checks for same owner replaced by same team. |
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| | Disabled again; K-Mod seems to have this covered. |
| cdtw.8 | "if our best city attacker is crappy, be less likely to build invaders, unless we aren't paying support costs yet" |
| | Disabled again. I guess that's really only smart when playing with Dale's Combat Mod. |
| cdtw.7 | "if going for culture victory, build lots of fighters to avoid be[ing] blitzed" |
| See also | dlph.19 disallows moving the capital once the spaceship has been launched. So the Al can only move its capital prior to launch. |
| | Probably bugged in LoR SDK ModMod because AI_isDoStrategy had been confused with AI_isDoVictoryStrategy. |
| cdtw.6 | "if we're going for a space victory let's quietly relocate our capital away from the coast" |
| cdtw.5 | "if we're worried about being attacked, don't wait to sign defensive pacts" |
| cdtw.4 | Greater willingness to switch to Police State when war weariness is painful. |
| | Disabled this again after some testing. Early unit spending doesn't seem to be an issue in K-Mod/AdvCiv. |
| cdtw.3 | Al evaluation of tech that unlocks a process (Alphabet, Currency, Drama): "value good processes if we already have lots of units, and are not at war with anyone". |

| advc.rom | Misc. changes adopted from RoM-based mods |
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| Credits | Some of the largest Civ 4 mods are based on <u>Rise of Mankind</u> (RoM, started 2007), including <u>A New Dawn</u> (Rand), <u>Caveman to Cosmos</u> (C2C), <u>Vincentz Infinite Projects</u> (VIP) and <u>Dawn of the Overlords</u> (DotO). |
| | RoM/Rand and C2C have had several AI programmers among their contributors. It seems that most of the AI changes are specific to the many features added by those mods, superseded by K-Mod/AdvCiv or not worth adopting from a cost-benefit angle. |
| | I'm listing some of the changes that I did adopt here; others are so minor that I'll only tag them with "advc.rom" in the source code. |
| See also | 107 and 110 use a bit of C2C and RoM code. |
| Tbd. | I'm still in the process of sifting through the revision histories on SourceForge. The larger part (something like 1000 revisions) is still to be done. |

| rom1 | "% modifiers are undervalued by the AI for two reasons: 1) It only calculates its effect at the time of construction, but that discounts future increases as base research goes up 2) In the early game because this calculation only takes account of the absolute increase, not its proportion of the civilization whole, which will be substantial early on (indeed 100% with 1 city). We therefore apply a small boost to reflect futures, and compare to the whole and make an upward adjustment proportional to the ratio with the civilization whole. FUTURE - should we do this for other commerce types too? I am inclined to say no for hammers (since what you produce with them scales with civ size, which the tech tree does not except very indirectly via progression through it). Not sure about gold or espionage." |
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| | SVN revision This change increases the utility assigned by the AI to buildings that increase a city's research rate. However, this applies only when the City AI wants to focus on research buildings, which is actually never the case in K-Mod. So I'm also adding this koshling change from the same revision: |
| | "increased priority for economic builds," |
| | which makes the AI choose city production with focus on all economy buildings, including research buildings. |
| | Removed this again; in multiple test games, it never had any effect. Looks like K-Mod already prioritizes economic buildings sufficiently. The AdvCiv code with the change still present: Git commit |
| Credits | Koshling |
| rom2 | Al doesn't reassign working plots while in anarchy as "plots return no yields anyway." |
| | SVN revision |
| | Reassigned working plots don't seem to be causing problems in AdvCiv, but it does save some CPU time. |
| Credits | Afforess |
| rom3 | Resources can be randomly discovered only on terrain where they can normally be placed. E.g. no Gold on Grassland. |
| Rationale | The particular terrain restrictions for Gold, Silver and Gems are pretty nonsensical, but slightly helpful for game balance, and should be enforced for consistency. |
| Credits | Afforess (but merged from this SVN revision by alberts2) |
| See also | 129 changes the terrain requirements for Gold and Silver a bit (but they still don't make sense). |
| rom4 | Avoid some costly canTrain calls in CvCityAI. |
| Credits | alberts2 for Caveman2Cosmos; <u>SVN revision</u> |

| devolution | Contributions by Erik (cf. this post and subsequent ones in the AdvCiv thread) | |
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| See also | advc.make: Build optimizations 003h: A performance tweak of his that I merged from the "We The People" mod | |
| Crash while | Crash while exiting to desktop fixed (<u>link</u>). | |
| OPT | Performance tweaks; merged: Git commit | |
| BUG | Bugfixes; merged: Git <u>commit</u> Also merged <u>this</u> correction by vedg (Igor). And I've fixed a similar problem in CvPlayerAI::AI_techValue. | |
| Al | Misc. Al tweaks; merged Git commit <u>1</u> <u>2</u> | |
| ВМ | Benchmarking functionality added to Al Auto Play: Git <u>commit</u> I've added a new shortcut Ctrl+Shift+B to avoid confusing players who just want to watch the Al play. | |

See also

004y adds the shortcut to the list in Civilopedia.

Work in progress

First off, misc. open issues to be addressed before v1.0 (ordered by priority). The changelog section above lists many more open issues ("Tbd." boxes), but those are of lower priority. I also have a long list of small quality-of-life changes of even lower priority that I'm not even going to include here.

• [<u>UWAI</u>] Can I get the AI to pay some token reparations once effectively defeated even if they're feeling safe for the moment? Or at least make sure that they don't demand any significant payment for peace.

Will need a sample savegame to work this out. One where a civ has lost cities but feels safe now because of separating water/ third-party borders or a war distracting the enemy. Ideally the civ in the savegame should decline a square peace treaty.

One approach would be to remove the is-at-war check in <code>IllWill::evalRevenge</code>. Perhaps merely lower the result when at war. However, need to make sure that the Al won't pay reparations when there hasn't been any significant war success, and proud Al leaders (<code>WarAndPeaceAgent::Civ::prideRating</code>) should be allowed to demand reparations even when effectively defeated.

CFC discussion

- [advc.007] Add a bForce parameter to CvPlayerAI::AI_isDoStrategy that CvGame TextMgr and CvDLLWidgetData can use in order to ignore CvPlayer::isHuman. So that the scoreboard in Debug mode will show human strategies.
- [advc.099c] CvCityAI::AI_neededDefenders might assign too many defenders to quell revolts when a city has been "culture-bombed." Need to bear in mind that the AI will put only defenders there, not just any idle units. Defenders will remain defenders for the rest of the game. The AI should also evaluate whether its hopeless to hold onto a city.
- [advc.200] Is the (K-Mod) Great Artwork ability too powerful when starting in a later era (since no culture has accumulated yet)?
- [advc.130m] Through human attacks, the AI relations bonus for "mutual struggle" (CVPlayerAI::AI_getShareWarAttitude) can change throughout a human turn. This can lead to an outdated AI attitude cache. Try updating the mutual-struggle component of the cached value via CVPlayerAI::AI_changeCachedAttitude after every human attack (for all war allies of the human).
- [advc.130w] CvPlayerAI::AI_expansionistHate is based on the (BtS) power rating; will therefore change when a unit is killed or created. So, if that happens during a human turn, the AI attitude cache needs to be updated.
- [advc.007] The Wonders tab shouldn't show any wonder owners as unknown in Debug mode.
- [advc.004x] Entering the Civics screen should kill all change-civics popups and entering the Religion screen should kill all conversion popups.
- [advc.003, advc.003s] Expand the use of the new CvDeal interface and the FOR EACH macros.
- [advc.550d] May want to increase the tech cost modifier in Always Peace games (unless overwritten by Always War). By 5 percentage points?

- [advc.130w] The relations penalty for having capitulated vassals should decrease to -1 per vassal eventually. Based on the time since capitulation I guess. To be consistent with the "oppose your ruthless expansionism" penalty, which tends to decrease over time.
- [advc.make] Move any .h files that don't change frequently into CvGameCoreDLL.h because that header gets precompiled. Or only move large headers, headers that include many others and headers that are frequently included.
- [advc.make] Update the Makefile to use JOM for debug builds as described here. Or better wait for Nightinggale to update his Makefile accordingly.
- Put a debugger breakpoint at the "may seem wasteful" comment in CvUnitAI to check how often the AI scraps Settlers.
- [UWAI] WarAndPeaceCache::City::estimateMovementSpeed assumes too early that railroads are available. Add an array akin to <code>CvPlayer::m_paiImprovementCount</code> that keeps track of the number of routes of each type (road, railroad) owned by each player. Will have to go through all map plots in <code>CvPlayer::read</code> for savegame compatibility. Can then, in <code>estimateMovementSpeed</code>, set the railroad factor (currently 4.5 flat) partly based on the railroad coverage: Number of plots with a railroad (check <code>CvRouteInfo::getValue()>1</code>) divided by <code>CvPlayer::getTotalLand()</code>.
- [UWAI] InvasionGraph::Node::step Sets its isNaval flag solely based on whether the target city is reachable (at all) by land. Worse, WarAndPeaceCache::City doesn't store separate distances via land and via Sea. WarAndPeaceCache::City::updateDistance mustn't just set pwd=d in the canTrainAnyCargo branch. Should instead maintain a separate vector pairwDurationsLandOnly for distances computed assuming that canTrainAnyCargo=false, and store an additional distance value distByLand at the WarAndPeaceCache::City object. Try encoding non-reachability through a distance value of -1.

Then Node::step could set isNaval if either there is no land-only path to the target city (as is the case now) or if (important) WarEvalParameters::isNaval() and the distance by sea (i.e. by any means; sea or land) is significantly shorter than the land-only distance. Also WarAndPeaceCache::City::attackPriority will have to use the land-only distance for cities reachable by land if WarEvalParameters::isNaval() == false. Will probably need a separate comparator WarAndPeaceCache::City::byLandAttackPriority for this.

• [advc.021b] PerfectMongoose: See if I can't get some better results with the PW2 terrain generator. Perhaps parts of the PW3 terrain generator can be combined with the old PerformTectonics function. If this works better, i.e. results in more Asia-like continents, then an option like "Continents: Massive / Snaky" could be added (taking the place of the now disabled "Landmass Generator" option).

May also want to give the "Hex Grid" option another look.

• [advc.sha] Perhaps bring back the relations bonus among civs in the lower half of the scoreboard for Al leaders with rather peaceful personalities. (Based on peaceweight? But what about Augustus?) Not during the game's start era though (ranks change too often).

CFC discussion

• [UWAI] Try implementing two simulation trajectories (one slightly optimistic, one

slightly pessimistic) when performance isn't an issue, e.g. so long as there are fewer than 100 cities in WarAndPeaceCache. In the late game, outcomes tend to be clearer (greater disparities in military power) anyway.

The constructors of MilitaryAnalyst and InvasionGraph should be the place to implement this.

CFC discussion

• [advc.133] If resource trades are still canceled too frequently, try increasing the inertia for keeping resource trades alive further. That said, it's probably already only canceling when "nothing to gain", so I guess a tolerance parameter needs to be added to the denial function CvPlayerAI::AI_bonusTrade. Or simply reduce the cancellation probability even if "nothing to gain" (when trading with a human). For Al-Al trades, consider applying the inertia code that currently applies only to Human-Al trades – canceled Al-Al trades could have a domino effect (unclear).

CFC discussion

- [advc.112b] Add a loading-screen hint about capitulation requiring boots on the ground or else the AI will say that "you'll have to take it from our cold, dead hands."
- [advc.001] Check if the Ctrl+Shift+L shortcut (Civ Changer) disables the "wait at end of turn" player option as reported here.
- [advc.700] When playing with the R&F option, the "Retire" button in the Retire popup should be labeled "End the chapter" instead.
- [UWAI] UWAI_SPECTATOR_ENABLED shows a high number of abandoned AI war plans. In the early game, ArmamentForecast should assume a smaller effect of the build-up intensity level because Workers and Settlers are going to slow war preparations down. And I should check in the UWAI logs if the build-up predictions are realistic in general by comparing the predicted power values with actual power values a few turns later. Should then either adjust the predictions or make <code>cvCityAI::</code> <code>AI_chooseProduction</code> more focused on build-up when preparing war.
- [<u>UWAI</u>] Change "WAR_AND_PEACE_AI" and "WPAI" in all identifiers and comments to "UWAI". (Mostly automated search-and-replace.)
- Had a crash once right after generating a map using the (unreleased) <u>TrueStarts</u> map script with default settings (initial map; not regenerated). One of the operator= string functions was called from the EXE; apparently one of the strings was a bad pointer/ reference. If this happens again, I need to check the contents of any valid strings in the debugger's context. I also remember one crash after/ upon map generation with the AdvCiv-based Dawn of the Overlords mod (no debugger attached). I've been starting tons of games, so this seems to be a very rare bug.
- [advc.130f] Peace treaties should block embargoes. I think, currently, players could ask the AI to stop paying reparations to a third party.
- [advc.104m] Resources and gold per turn demanded in tribute should be canceled automatically after 10 turns. This is difficult to implement; see comments in CvPlayer::handleDiploEvent, Case DIPLOEVENT_ACCEPT_DEMAND. Perhaps CvGame::handleDiplomacySetAIComment (CvGameInterface.cpp) could help.

Can I fold the peace treaty and tribute/ gift into a single deal? Then only peace treaties with attached payment would have to block (or be exempt from?)

embargoes.

- [<u>UWAI</u>] As soon as I need to add another game option, remove the "K-Mod AI (Legacy)" option; the XML switch is sufficient.
- [advc.106l] Move autosave in single-player games from the start of the game turn to the start of the active player's turn as it's already done in RiseFall.cpp.
- [UWAI] Should perhaps assume a higher guard ratio (in InvasionGraph::Node::step and in ArmamentForecast.cpp) for humans because, currently, wars against humans are usually judged by the AI as all (take several human cities) or nothing, which takes away the nuances from AI war evaluation. Possible side-effects: AI could become less alert about human attacks, less willing to pay for peace, less willing to attack in the early game (when a high guard ratio matters most). That might be OK.
- [<u>UWAI</u>] Too little warfare in team games. That may not be so wrong as AI teammates aren't good at coordinating their attacks; so even when two members of one team are on a landmass with just one member of another team, starting a war isn't a nobrainer. Should probably simply increase utility from GreedForAssets artificially to get some wars going. No fun currently, even if it's smart.
- [UWAI] To (further) encourage AI civs with a very powerful military to fight multiple wars at once: If all war enemies (current and projected) are pushovers (WarAndPeaceAgent::Team::isPushover), force weld in InvasionGraph::Node:: findTarget to target WarEvalParameters::targetId() and force target=NO_PLAYER if InvasionGraph::isPeaceScenario. To evaluate and implement this, I'll need a game state where a civ that is way ahead militarily is being too slow mopping up.
- [advc.700] When the R&F option is enabled, perhaps show the victory stage in the scoreboard help. Only show it if it's greater than 2. Maybe as a roman numeral after the score, e.g. "1744(III)", colored orange if it's a rival at stage III, red if a rival at stage IV and green if it's the active player at stage III or IV.
- [advc.082] The AI shouldn't embark units while gathering them for a naval assault. CFC discussion
- [advc.083] Should add a shortcut somewhere in CvUnitAI.cpp that makes the Al conquer empty cities in reach, perhaps just with a single unit hoping that the rest of the stack will respond appropriately to the conquest. The Al currently insists on going to an attack-from tile chosen in advance (not necessarily on the shortest path) before entering the city.
- [UWAI] Try letting an AI civ estimate human military power more highly in situations when the AI civ is not itself at war with the human. This should avoid AI-on-human dogpile wars that are supposed to keep human cities from falling into a rival's hands. It should also make the AI a bit braver when fighting alongside a human (more ready to try and snatch away territory from a shared enemy) and more alarmed about human wars of conquest.
- [advc.306] Barbarian ships on patrol should eventually just permanently blockade some city, or at least for a long time. Through CvUnitAI::AI_patrolMove, CvUnit::getGameTurnCreated and a coin flip.
- [UWAI] WarUtilityAspect::lossesFromBlockade should be generalized to also cover air bombardment.

- [UWAI] MilitaryBranch::Logistics should store military power and cargo capacity separately. Currently, Logistics::power returns the cargo capacity.
 - I guess this'll mean adding a <code>capacity</code> function to MilitaryBranch and all its subclasses. Then go through all occurrences of <code>[LOGISTICS]</code> in the code and replace <code>power</code> calls with <code>capacity</code> where appropriate. Logistics power should continue to be included in Fleet power.
- [advc.550] The relations bonus from "shared discoveries" should be based on the total cost of the traded techs. Perhaps also make the AI a bit quicker to acknowledge shared discoveries and also quicker to forget them again.
- [advc.550d] The research cost adjustment for team games (bTeamSizeModifiers) in CvTeam::getResearchCost doesn't seem strong enough. May have to apply a modifier to all research costs (not based on individual team size) in addition if team size is punished even more, Permanent Alliances may become unattractive. Could e.g. multiply research costs by sqrt(CvGame::countCivPlayersEverAlive()) / countCiv TeamsEverAlive()). Apply this factor regardless of whether the bTeamSizeModifiers parameter is set (I guess).
- [advc.082] Implement WarAndPeaceCache::updateRelativeNavyPower (see comments there) and an auxiliary function for the intel ratio. Currently, the AI magically knows how a civ's military power is split between land and sea units.
- [advc.085] Icons (e.g. religions) on the scoreboard are a bit displaced toward the top. I took a quick look at CvMainInterface.py and BUG Scoreboard.py, but there is no obvious problem.
- [advc.707] Not sure if R&F games will end properly on a time victory. Should be tested once with retiring (causing the game to end during Auto Play) and once without (player controls a civ when the time limit is reached).
- <u>GitLab</u> has problems with the text encoding of AdvCiv's main game text file, but the BUG files seem to do OK. For one thing, they seem to use Unix line endings. I'd rather not use those for XML files (the original XML files use Windows endings too). Not sure how to fix the problem though.
- [UWAI] Do something with AIDeclareWarProb from Civ4HandicapInfos.xml; currently, it's unused. Just delaying AI war planning isn't good that may well lead to bigger attacks when they do happen. Perhaps make it into a preference for limited over total war.
- [advc.001] There's probably a bug in the Change Player component (or perhaps, ultimately, a bug in the EXE): Sometimes, when using Alt+Z to switch to a different civilization, some trade items (usually gold, sometimes tech and resources) can no longer be placed on the trade table until Civ 4 is restarted; save, exit to main menu and reload don't suffice. A Realism Invictus player experienced the same thing (link); don't know if she had used Alt+Z.
- [advc.102] To be tested: Enable "Show friendly moves" in networked multiplayer with simultaneous turns while the other human player is in Globe view. The result should be that the first player sees friendly moves (despite the other player's Globe view, which normally skips foreign moves) and that the other player does not see friendly moves -- but I guess there'll have to a delay while the moves are shown to the first player. Is this working correctly? What if both are in Globe view? The clauses I've

added under the comment "Are these timers synchronized" in <code>CvSelectionGroup.cpp</code> might cause a delay in that case (although no moves are shown to either player). What if I remove those clauses? How about non-simultaneous turns?

- To be tested: Does the AI ever use the "turtle" strategy anymore?
- [advc.123f] To be tested: Is fail gold for world projects (the Internet) working correctly?
- [dlph.25] To be tested: Do vassals and friends behave correctly in repeal votes? Are human vassals correctly forced to vote?

Larger features possibly to be included before v1.0 (not ordered by priority):

- Merge further UI conveniences from BULL-based mods and PlatyUI: See "Tbd." under change id <u>004</u>.
- Adopt some misc. tweaks from the BASE mod. Or rather from the mod's <u>changelog</u> (in German) – the DLL is closed-source.
- Perhaps adopt the revised <u>setup</u> for translations from the "We the People" mod.
- BBAI includes a file unofficial patch list.txt with "outstanding issues". Most of it is incomprehensible, but a couple of items are worth looking into.
- Scour SVN revisions from the the early days of Caveman2Cosmos and revisions from RoM-AND from 2010/2011 for AI improvements and other useful tweaks that are easy to adopt.
- Keep up with any bugfixes in Caveman2Cosmos for <u>pointer invalidation</u> issues that might cause crashes (especially) under Windows 10:
- Revise the code for creating Barbarian units: Try repurposing CvTeamAI:: m_aiStrengthMemory (currently unused for the Barbarian team) to keep track for each plot of the number of Barbarian units recently placed and killed near that plot. Factor the strength memory value into the local spawn probability.
- City trades: Make the AI willing to trade cities with high foreign culture at peace and allow the AI to accept or give any trade items for cities (currently: only gives cities in peace deals or as gifts, and never pays for cities except with a peace treaty). This should make games with "No Tech Trading" more interactive (and, at a later point, also games with tech diffusion).
 - I've started working on the city trade AI under change id $\underline{122}$; very little is implemented, but I've got detailed notes.
- To improve the performance of UWAI in games with more than 18 civs, implement a heuristic for pre-selecting only the top 12 (or so) war targets. Top priority: current war enemies, then humans. Then, for a start, I could try using K-Mod's CvTeamAI:: AI_startWarVal. For the targets that are ruled out this way, any calls to UWAI functions need to be avoided; in particular, WarEvaluator::evaluate and WarAndPeaceCache:: update mustn't be called. I might get away with updating the set of relevant targets only once per turn. When a decision on war and peace comes up suddenly, e.g. a war trade, war/peace vote or a tribute demand, K-Mod code could be used as a fallback, but it's probably better to use some safe default behavior instead, e.g. refuse categorically to be hired for war.

- Complete the <u>EuroWorld</u> scenario. Still a lot to do though and I've run out of steam because the areas that interest me most are already done and because I regret a few of my choices regarding landmass sizes.
- Try removing the at-war checks in the code for Al-Al war trades (CvPlayerAI::AI_doDiplo), i.e. let the Al sponsor wars without declaring war itself. UWAI should be "smart" enough to handle that. Performance will be a problem though; may have to check a bunch of preconditions beforehand to save time, e.g. check WarAndPeaceCache::warUtilityIgnoringDistraction. And can always make the check probabilistic to improve the performance by a constant factor.

Brokered peace might also be doable. And the AI could demand that a human player make peace.

- Al civs should ask other Al civs to stop trading with disliked third parties. Precondition: Must be at war with the third party or the third party must be the worst enemy. Then check denial (CvPlayerAI::AI_stopTradingTrade). Need to add a function AI_stopTradingThemTradeValue that says how much the Al wants another civ to stop trading. Embargoes will have to be win-win in terms of that value and AI_stopTrading TradeVal. Could base the contact frequency on the ContactRand value for CONTACT_STOP_TRADING (currently used for Al-to-human stop trading requests).
- Consider setting explicit default values (the AdvCiv DLL already supports this) for the stats stored in the large XML files like <code>civ4UnitInfos.xml</code>. Could then make all those elements optional (<code>minoccurs="0"</code> in the Schema files) and delete all rows that merely set the default value (automated search-and-replace). This would make XML changes post-v1.0 more convenient.
- The AI should make a deliberate choice about where to gather its units for war or where to park them when no war is planned. Avoid putting them all into a border city with poor defenses.
- Make third parties less supportive of wars against their partners:
 - Disallow attacks inside the borders of a non-war party. Air attacks should remain allowed. Not sure about attacks at sea.
 - Perhaps restrict railroad movement in third-party borders somehow during a war (or always unless sharing a war, defensive pact or vassal agreement).
 - Being at war with a friend (Friendly attitude) should raise the AI attitude threshold for Open Borders by level. There may have to be some delay to avoid making an AI civ that starts a war look bad when its invasion is immediately stopped by canceled Open Borders. The friendly AI civ will also have to check if the aggressor is not too dangerous (e.g. check embargo denial).
- Tweak the AI personalities to make them more distinct and to match the historical background better. (But don't introduce new quirks that players have to be aware of.) I have notes for about one third of the leaders.
- Add a (worst) "enemy of my enemy" relations bonus.
- Changes in preparation of a tech diffusion system (see also "city trades" above). Should only apply when tech trading isn't possible.
 - The AI should make more gold available for trade.
 - The AI should accept gold-per-turn as payment joining a war (now that joining a

war results in a peace treaty due to change 146).

- When an AI civ is falling behind, it should be allowed to (occasionally) ask for a gift in gold per turn.
- Gifted units should result in a sensible relations bonus (based on whether the receiving side needs the units) and penalty from war enemies of the recipient.
- Increase the trade value of gold to make payment in gold (e.g. for civics changes, joint war) more affordable.
- Make the "fair and forthright" and "traded with our worst enemy" modifiers more sensitive. And also the "years you've supplied us with resources" bonus.

The documents about future gameplay changes on <u>GitHub</u> are mostly intended for a version 2.0 of this mod (and, as such, unlikely to be ever implemented). The following could still implemented in v1.0 (or, say, 1.1):

- Various changes concerning religions, the Apostolic Palace and UN
- Various changes concerning nuclear war
- Forced Labor civic to replace Slavery when playing with the "No Slavery" option
- Nerf some food resources
- Add an Islet terrain feature
- Don't require Flanking I for the Navigation I promotion
- Optional tech diffusion from tile culture
- Optional transaction cost for tech trades
- Limited Worker charges
- Drafting may consume stored food
- Changes to city conquest rules
- Reduce process conversion rates (e.g. Wealth)
- Penalize extreme commerce slider positions