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Sample Code

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Configure alternative render paths in your Metal app to enable running your app in Simulator.

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Overview

Note

This sample code project is associated with WWDC 2019 session [418: Getting the Most Out of Simulator](#).

See Also


Developer tools


Capturing Metal commands programmatically


Invoke a Metal frame capture from your app, then save the resulting GPU trace to a file or view it in Xcode.


Logging shader debug messages


Print debugging messages that a shader generates using shader logging.


 Developing Metal apps that run in Simulator
Prototype and test your Metal apps in Simulator.

 Improving your game's graphics performance and settings
Fix performance glitches and develop default settings for smooth experiences on Apple platforms using the powerful suite of Metal development tools.

 Metal debugger
Debug and profile your Metal workload with a GPU trace.

 Metal developer workflows
Locate and fix issues related to your app's use of the Metal API and GPU functions.

 GPU counters and counter sample buffers
Retrieve runtime data from a GPU device by sampling one or more of its counters.

 Metal debugging types
Create capture managers and capture scopes, and review a GPU device's log after it runs a command buffer.