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2 import hou
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    from big framework import string processor
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    from megascans fixer import os path join fix
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    def check_node_exists(a_node_path): # I was thinking of doing something like this. Currently I
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    haven't used this - still deciding
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        a node = hou.node(a node path)
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        if a node == None:
            raise Exception ("A node does not exist at the path: {}".format(a node path))
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    def check path (a path):
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        if os.path.exists(a path) == False:
            raise Exception("A file does not exist at the path: {}".format(a_path))
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    class Bake:
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       # makes sense that these are class variables, should these be treated as constants (and
    hence capitals)?
       map_name_and_houdini_parameter_name_dict = {"Tangent-Space Normal" : "vm quickplane Nt",
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    "Displacement" : "vm_quickplane_Ds", "Vector Displacement" : "vm_quickplane_Vd", "Tangent-Space
    Vector Displacement": "vm_quickplane_Vdt", "Occlusion": "vm_quickplane_Oc", "Cavity"
    "vm quickplane Cv", "Thickness": "vm quickplane Th", "Curvature": "vm quickplane Cu"}
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        maps_to_bake_dict_template = dict()
        for map_name in map_name_and_houdini_parameter_name_dict.keys(): # less repeating code by
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    generating it here
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            maps_to_bake_dict_template[map_name] = False
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        # recall that the benefit of class variables is that they aren't created for each instance
    all over again
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        # + they can be accessed without instantiating the class
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              _init__(self, highpoly_path, lod_path, maps_to_bake_dict, bake_resolution_x,
    bake_resolution_y, export_directory, export_name_prefix = ""): # I haven't given a choice of
    export name, because that adds so much complexity
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            # export name prefix is optional, and very worth it (a means to identify what you've
    baked other than the export directory)
            # instead of making the Bake class tailored to megascans asset (which stops this from
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    being a general thing)
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            check path(highpoly path)
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            self.highpoly_path = highpoly path # e.g. "C:/User/highpoly.fbx"
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            check_path(lod path)
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            self.lod path = lod path # e.g. "C:/User/lod.fbx"
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            self.bake resolution tuple = (bake resolution x, bake resolution y)
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            self.export_path = os_path_join_fix(export_directory, "{}_custom_baking_%
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    (CHANNEL)s.rat".format(export name prefix)) # this is what the bake texture node uses. Hardcoded
    along with export name below
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             # Setup map name and export paths dict
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            self.map name and export paths dict = dict()
            for map name in maps to bake dict.keys():
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                 if maps to bake dict[map name] == True:
                     parameter name = self.map name and houdini parameter name dict[map name]
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                     export_name = "{}_custom_baking_{}.exr".format(export_name_prefix,
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    parameter name.split("")[-1]) # hardcoded to match self.export_path
    #^ parameter name.split(" ")[-1], e.g. if the parameter name is 'vm_quickplane_Ds', the render token, %(CHANNEL)s, is 'Ds'
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                     self.map name and export paths dict[map name] =
    os_path_join_fix(export_directory, export_name)
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            self.maps to bake dict = maps to bake dict
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        def create and execute in houdini(self, housing node): # includes executing the baking
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             # Set up GEOs
            highpoly_geo_node = housing_node.createNode("geo", "Highpoly_geo_temp")
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            lod_geo_node = housing_node.createNode("geo", "LOD_geo_temp") # aka lowpoly
string_processor(highpoly_geo_node, "@cfile!file:{}".format(self.highpoly_path.replace("
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", "%20")))
             string processor(lod geo node, "@cfile!file:{}".format(self.lod path.replace(" ",
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     "%20")))
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             # Set up camera
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             a camera = housing node.createNode("cam", "temp camera")
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             string processor (housing node,
     "@etemp camera!tx:int0!ty:int0!tz:int0!rx:int0!ry:int0!rz:int0!px:int0!py:int0!pz:int0!prx:int0!
     pry:int0!prz:int0!resx:int{}!resy:int{}".format(self.bake resolution tuple[0],
     self.bake_resolution_tuple[1])) # gross? perhaps set to default on t, r, p, pr is cleaner. Yep,
     definitely is.
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             # Set up bake texture node
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             ropnet node = housing node.createNode("ropnet", "ropnet for baking")
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             baketexture node = ropnet node.createNode("baketexture::3.0", "bake texture")
             string processor(ropnet_node, "@ebake_texture!camera:
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     {}!vm uvunwrapresx:int{}!vm uvunwrapresy:int{}!vm uvobject1:{}!vm uvhires1:
     {}!vm uvoutputpicture1:
     {}!vm extractimageplanesformat:OpenEXR!vm extractremoveintermediate:+!vm uv unwrap method:int2".
     format(a camera.path(), self.bake resolution tuple[0], self.bake resolution tuple[\overline{1}],
     lod_geo_node.path(), highpoly_geo_node.path(), self.export path.replace(" ", "%20"))) #TODO
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             # Iterate through maps to bake dict, ticking parameters of corresponding maps which have
     True in the dict
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             for map name in self.maps to bake dict.keys():
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                 parameter name = self.map name and houdini parameter name dict[map name]
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                 corresponding parm = baketexture node.parm(parameter name)
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                 bake_bool = self.maps_to_bake_dict[map_name] # tr
                 if bake bool == True:
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                     corresponding_parm.set(1) # set ticked
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                 elif bake bool == False:
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                     corresponding parm.set(0) # set unticked
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                 else:
                     raise Exception("bake bool: {}. Expected bake bool to be
 86
     boolean".format(bake_bool))
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             # Save and execute
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             hou.hipFile.save()
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             baketexture node.parm("execute").pressButton()
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             return self.map name and export paths dict # returning since it's new info (it wasn't
     passed in by the user)
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     class LOD:
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             __init__(self, highpoly_path, polyreduce_percentage, export_path):
#check_path(highpoly_path)
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             self.highpoly path = highpoly path # e.g. "C:/User/geometry.fbx"
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             self.polyreduce_percentage = polyreduce_percentage
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             self.export path = export path
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         def create and execute in houdini(self, housing node): # includes executing
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             custom_lod_node = housing_node.createNode("geo", "Custom_LOD")
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             string processor(custom lod node, "cfile-file node i0 cconvert-convert node i0
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     econvert node i0 cpolyreduce::2.0-polyreduce node i0 epolyreduce node i0 crop fbx-rop fbx node
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             hou.hipFile.save() # save hip file before render
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             string_processor(custom_lod_node, "@efile_node!file:{} @epolyreduce_node!percentage:
     {}!reducepassedtarget:+!originalpoints:+ @erop_fbx_node!sopoutput:
     {}!execute:=".format(self.highpoly path.replace(" ", "%20"), self.polyreduce percentage,
     self.export_path.replace(" ", "%20")))
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