

Camott-EcoSim

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Abstract. A Simple evolution based ecosystem simulator.

1 Introduction

We chose this project because all members of the group are interested in this type of simulation. We want to observe how an ecosystem evolves over time based on some controllable initial conditions, as we want to see how much the evolution of organisms is determined by the environment and how they are influenced by it.

2 Related Work

If you are aware of related work or similar work that has been done before, you should describe and mention it here. Here is also the place to refer to any papers, articles, web sites, etc. where you got your inspiration for your project from. Critterding, and many other projects for evolution.

3 Project Details

We will start with evolution on basic creatures by adding/removing body parts with varying characteristics. An example of this, would be a mouth, which could be specialized to be better at eating plant matter, or meat.

4 Software Tools

Initial we are planning to attempt this in Unreal Engine, as it supports Linux and is open source, however failing that, we will be using Unity. As for models, we are planning on either very basic ones, using blender to create some, or possibly using some Creative Commons or other freely licensable material.

5 Time line

1. Mouth, movement.
2. World.
3. Food-spawn.
4. A creature.
5. Multiple creatures.
6. Hope there's evolved behaviour.