Computer Graphics
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The Road So Far...

mtllib triangle.mtl
o Plane
v 1.007839 0.000000 -1.000000
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f 3 2 1
Procedural Generation

• Generating objects algorithmically

```cpp
for(y = 0; y <= heightSegments; y++) {
    for(x = 0; x <= widthSegments; x++) {
        u = (float)x / widthSegments;
        v = (float)y / heightSegments;

        glm::vec3 vertex = glm::vec3(
            -radius * glm::cos(phiStart + u * phiLength) * glm::sin(thetaStart + v * thetaLength),
            radius * glm::cos(thetaStart + v * thetaLength),
            radius * glm::sin(phiStart + u * phiLength) * glm::sin(thetaStart + v * thetaLength)
        );

        vertices.push_back(vertex);
        normals.push_back(glm::normalize(vertex));
        colors.push_back(color);
    }
}
```
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Custom B. Chopper solution by Siim Raudsepp
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Inverse kinematics
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NPC Generator by Jaanus Jaggo
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• More different content, less work for artists
Let's try to generate a tree branch structure.
Tree

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- We start with a trunk.
Tree

- From the trunk, we create two branches for either side.
- We also continue on the forward path.
Tree

- We repeat the process for the new segments.
Tree

- We repeat the same process for all of the new segments.
Tree

- Decrease the length of the segments each time.
Tree

- Repeat again the same process.
Tree

- Introduce randomness.

Show this in action...
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We should specify the structure and the parameters (length, angle).
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Rules tell you what nonterminals can be replaced with other nonterminals or terminals.
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The initial „word“ of symbols / system state.
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  - **Type 3: Regular** – right side is empty, single terminal, or single terminal follower by non-terminal
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- Using following symbols:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>F</td>
<td>Segment</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>+</td>
<td>Rotate left 45°</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-</td>
<td>Rotate right 45°</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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<td>Start of a branch</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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Can we write our tree using those?
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```
F[(+45)F[(+45)F][-(-45)F]F]
[-(-45)F[+(45)F][-(-45)F]F]
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```

Every + or - is followed by the angle of rotation.
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If the decrease of lengths is deterministic, we could consider it only, when drawing the tree...

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- The **sum** of the probabilities of all the rules, with the same left-hand side, **has to be 1**.

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• Questions?
Particle System

- Used for different effects
  - Fire, fluid, wind, smoke
  - Precipitation (rain, snow)
  - Groups of objects with behaviour (birds, NPC-s)

This you did in the Soft Particle Chopper.
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- Particle system has an emitter of particles.

Emitter can also be a line, a surface, a volume etc.
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- There can be other rules.
Particle Systems

- Blender has particle systems

- Example of scar generation via particles: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e3FpG3CFIfQ
What was new for you today?

What more would you like to know?

Next time: Ray Casting, Ray Tracing, Space Partitioning, BVH