
Subject: Multiple worldboxes

Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 12:37:14 GMT

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Is it possible? This would allow vtol aircraft to have a box for their wings and body instead of one big one that covers several cubic meters of air around them.

Seeing as blue-hell will be supposedly fixed by TT, then balls/round objects could be made crudely using a few boxes.

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Posted by [mr£\\$Ä-z](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 14:02:08 GMT

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Posted by [ErroR](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 14:53:35 GMT

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Posted by [Genesis2001](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 15:17:45 GMT

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afaik, AR uses multiple world boxes for some of their units. Not sure which, but I've heard they're using more than one world box. (I believe they call it "fake world box" lol)

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Posted by [Reaver11](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 15:21:55 GMT

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From my testing (way in the past, it might have been 2 or 3 years ago now) it will reshape the world box as a square in game, the worldbox's sides will meet the furthest spot that the original mesh shape extended on the + and - XYZ axes. Never tried multiple worldboxes though, you should try as it would be interesting to find out if it works, and if it does, I have to go back and redo some work on some of my mods. >.>

Subject: Re: Multiple worldboxes
Posted by [rrutk](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 16:07:04 GMT
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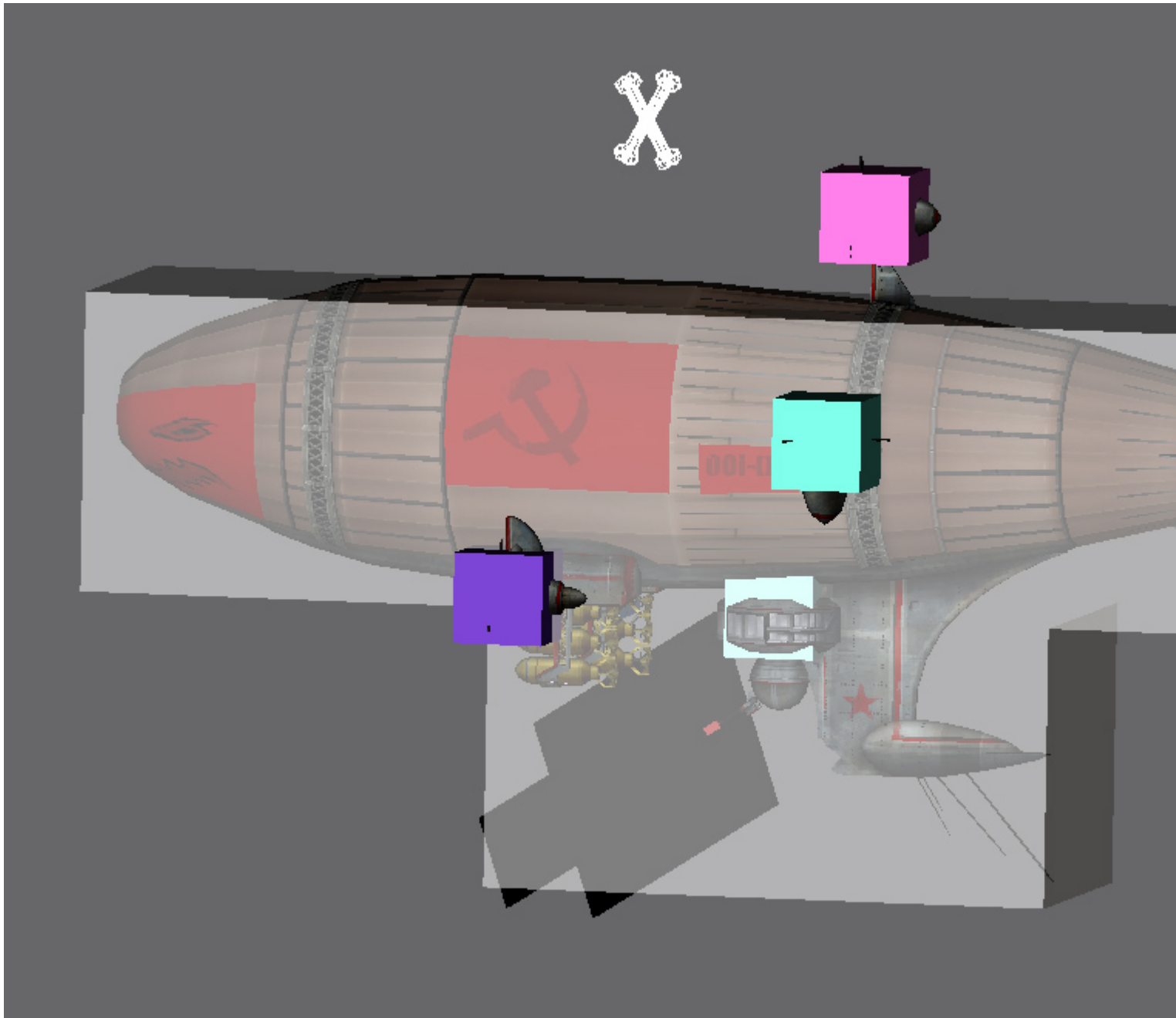
I made worldboxes with the exact shape of vehicles, kirov e.g.

Renegade doesnt accept the shape of worldboxes, they are handled like one big cube. dont know why...

It's ONE (1) box:

File Attachments

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Subject: Re: Multiple worldboxes
Posted by [Gen_Blacky](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 17:55:22 GMT
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It would be awesome if you could make one world box the shape of the vehicle.

Subject: Re: Multiple worldboxes
Posted by [saberhawk](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 18:00:34 GMT

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There's a reason it's called the worldbox, and not worldboxes and/or worldconvexhull; Renegade's dynamic physics work off of the boxes.

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Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Fri, 27 Feb 2009 22:58:29 GMT
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Posted by [saberhawk](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2009 03:43:00 GMT
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Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2009 05:14:12 GMT
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Not really, convex hull calculation takes a "vertex soup" and calculates the convex hull for that group of vertices. Small mesh problems can easily be automatically found and handled...

Subject: Re: Multiple worldboxes

Posted by [Ghostshaw](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2009 10:57:49 GMT

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I think multiple worldboxes would actually be harder as it would require treating one object as

multiple (unless you treat the whole thing as convex anyhow).

Subject: Re: Multiple worldboxes
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Mon, 02 Mar 2009 10:14:46 GMT
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But you would have to use multiple world-boxes anyway as renegade uses boxes for collision.

Subject: Re: Multiple worldboxes
Posted by [Ghostshaw](#) on Mon, 02 Mar 2009 10:25:15 GMT
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Not if we switch to convex shapes for collisions, which is probably easier then attaching multiple worldboxes to one model.

Subject: Re: Multiple worldboxes
Posted by [rrutk](#) on Mon, 02 Mar 2009 13:55:17 GMT
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Subject: Re: Multiple worldboxes
Posted by [Omar007](#) on Mon, 02 Mar 2009 14:23:11 GMT
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I would really like Convex Hull. That would make it even more realistic

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Posted by [EvilWhiteDragon](#) on Mon, 02 Mar 2009 14:32:37 GMT
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Rotors

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Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Tue, 03 Mar 2009 04:42:23 GMT
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This would just be an added feature, and would not be enforced on the existing renegade-model world-boxes as theirs are normal boxes.

The aim of this is to allow modders better control of object collision, namely for aircraft.
