

Project Plan Presentation Yard Wars: Weathering the Storm

The Capstone Experience

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Functional Specifications

- Storms can cause various amounts of damage to homes and properties
- Trees can help protect or pose greater risk from falling
- Gather data on damage caused or prevented by trees and storms
- Store data in a database and use it for current and future analyses

Design Specifications

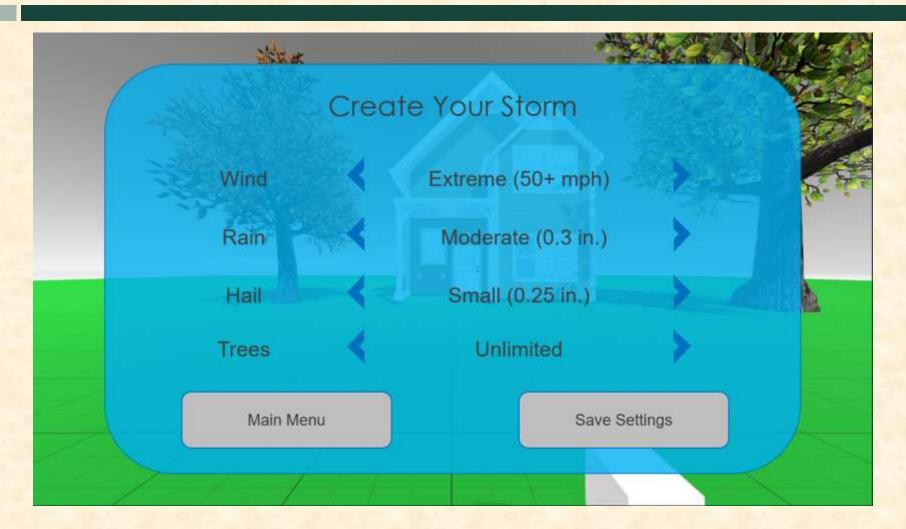
- Virtual Reality Application
 - Place trees
 - Simulate storms
 - Collect data
- Database
 - Receive and store data
- Website
 - Display and organize data

Screen Mockup: VR Main Menu



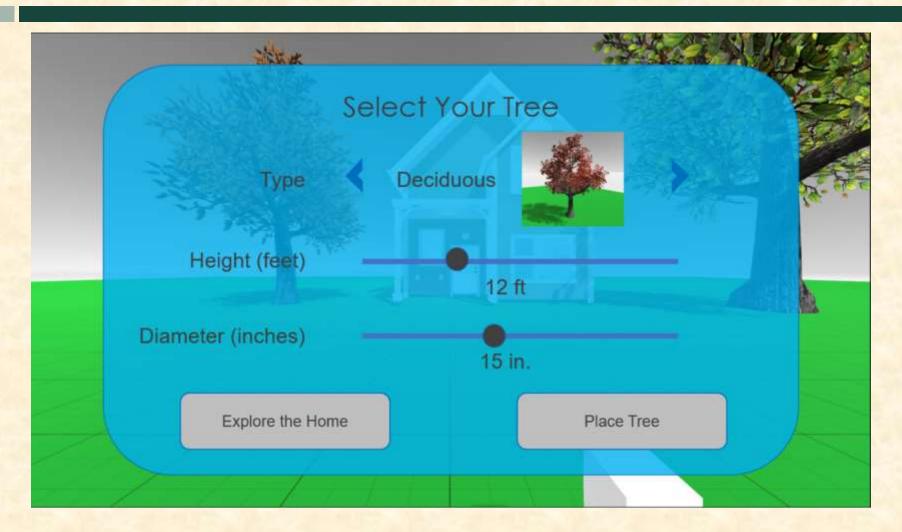


Screen Mockup: Custom Storm Menu





Screen Mockup: Tree Selection Menu



Screen Mockup: Fallen Tree Information



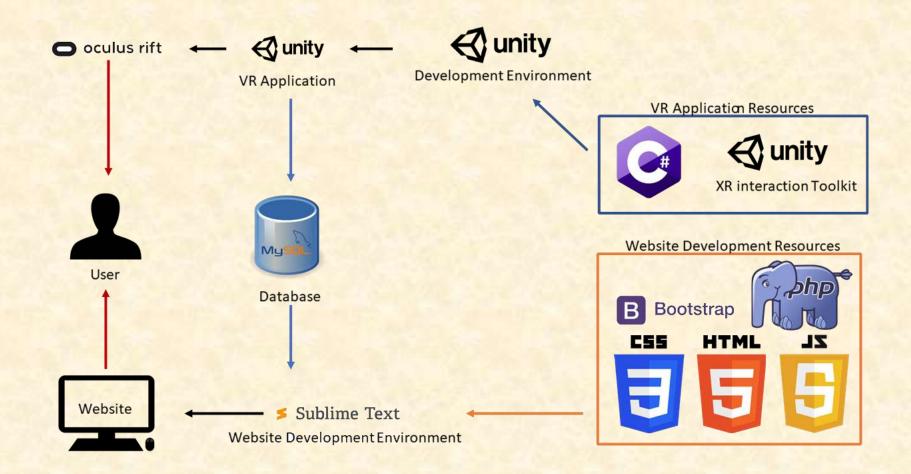
Screen Mockup: Simulation Data Page



Technical Specifications

- Virtual Reality Application
 - Accessed through Oculus Rift headset
 - Developed through Unity, C#, and XR Interaction Toolkit
- Database
 - Developed in MySQL
 - Hosted on MSU Rack Server
- Website
 - Requires authentication
 - Developed in Sublime Text using PHP, Bootstrap, CSS, HTML, and JavaScript
 - Hosted on MSU Rack Server

System Architecture



System Components

- Hardware Platforms
 - Oculus Rift
 - MSU Rack Server
- Software Platforms / Technologies
 - Unity Game Development
 - XR Interaction Toolkit
 - Sublime Text
 - PHP/Bootstrap/CSS/HTML/JavaScript
 - MySQL



Risks

- Game to Database Data Transfer
 - Data needs to be gathered and sent from the VR application to the database
 - Research existing ways to connect Unity to MySQL
- Tree Placement in VR
 - Trees of different types and dimensions need to be able to be placed by users with the Oculus controllers
 - Adopt XR scripts to implement grabbable objects
- Storm Simulation Algorithm
 - An algorithm for various storm types needs to be developed to handle various storm types and interact with the home and trees
 - Research data from real storms and construct equations and models that will be implemented in the simulation
- Inspecting Residence After Simulation
 - Users need to be able to inspect the residence and damages after the simulation
 - Adopt XR scripts for free movement for inspection



Questions?

