



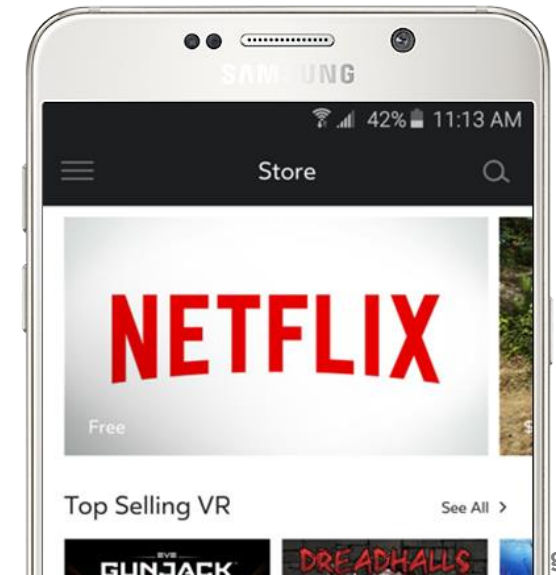
glTF and Mobile VR: Inclusive standards for a 3D world

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Choosing a Scene Format for Mobile VR

- For content creators, mobile VR can be an exciting new medium, but a challenging new platform
 - Severe resource constraints, even for graphics devs
 - Absence of vetted tools/best practices
- Formats for mobile VR should be chosen to minimize its barrier to entry
 - Support inclusive standards that make it easy to integrate with major packages
 - Prioritize community tools that can open up development to a range of artists, engineers and contributors.



Creating a Scene Format for Mobile VR

ovrscene: Oculus scene format

- High performance run times, rendering
- Designed, deployed, maintained internally
- Deployed to developers via FBXConvert

- Significant advantages to choosing external, community-driven (open) standard over an in-house format:
 - Interoperability
 - Support from the greater community
 - Step towards a healthy ecosystem

The *inclusive* 3D formats aren't open

- Industry standards tend to be ones that are heavily tailored to a platform

The *open* 3D formats aren't performant

- Probably where all those other standards came from

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models.json

Ordered list of “surfaces”/materials
Indices into models.bin

models.bin

Geometry: vertices and indices (sorted,
pre-filtered)

**.pvr,
.ktx**

...
Textures



.gltf

JSON describes node hierarchy,
materials, cameras

.bin

Geometry: vertices and indices
Animation: key-frames
Skins: inverse-bind matrices

.glsl

Shaders

**.png
.jpg**

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Textures

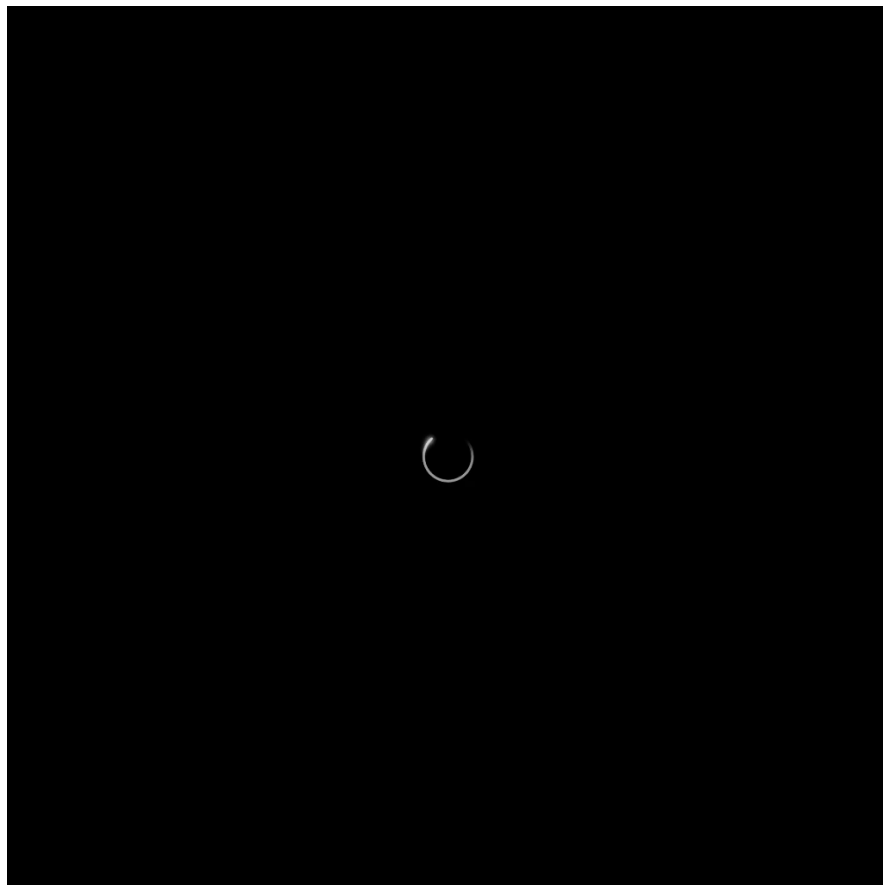
FBX2glTF: built with VR in mind

- Conversion tool based on in-house FBX->.ovrscene converter
- Definitely a *subset* of glTF (for now)
- **Merging meshes**
 - Draw calls incur substantial driver overhead on mobile
 - Merges meshes that use the same material into a single surface.
- **Pre-filtering vertices**
 - Removing attributes unnecessary for rendering reduces the data set and improves the cost of lookups and storage
- **Remapping textures to adjust LOD**
 - Static scenes can simplify their textures by baking in the optimal LOD for a fixed vantage point
- **Pre-compressing textures**
 - Image files compressed with GPU compression formats
- **Sorting geometry**
 - Rendering front-to-back is optimal on modern GPUs
 - Perfect sorting for scenes with fixed/limited vantage points
- **Texture Atlas**

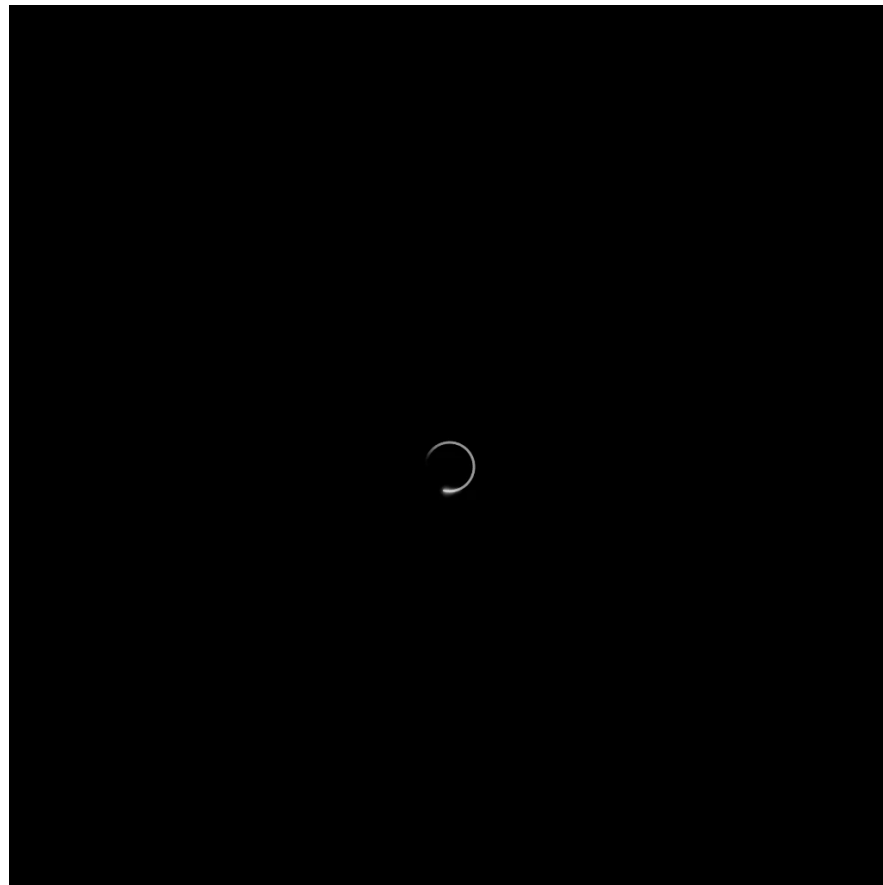
On The Roadmap

- Open Source/Khronos Release
- Collision detection/gaze selection
- Support for animations

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Loading with glTF



Loading with ovrscene