
Subject: Re: Design of a new, free renegade-like game
Posted by [JohnDoe](#) on Wed, 11 Aug 2010 13:25:40 GMT
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[NEFobby[GEN] wrote on Tue, 10 August 2010 00:21]It's all about the difference between client-side hit detection and server-side hit detection. A lot of older games had client-side, and newer games have server-side. There are exceptions.

Server-side hit detection:

+ Excellent way to thwart client cheats

- Hits must be registered with the server; a laggy server = shots are made an X amount of time after pulling the trigger, depending on the ping.

Client-side hit detection:

+ All shots register instantly

- Client cheats are easy to make, use, and are difficult to get rid of completely.

Client-side hit detection is horrible, but Westwood would've made an even worse game with server-side hit detection.

Most good modern games use unlagged server-side netcode. I'm not sure how exactly the UT3 netcode handles it (most likely badly because Epic don't give a shit about PC multiplayer anymore), but with Quake Live it leads to every shot counting as long as your ping is under 80. Technically modern games use server-side, but practically it's client-side detection.

Actually, I guess what makes Renegade's netcode so horrible is the delayed movement because that's handled on the client's side as well...hit detection is the lesser of the evils
