

Using OSVR to Support
Any Device in VR/AR

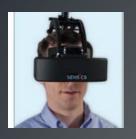
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What if your Web Browser <u>only worked</u> with a Logitech Wireless Mouse?

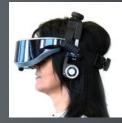
No one wants to write a game that works only on one device



Sensics Experience





















VR/AR Expertise

- Sensors

- Optics

- Electronics/FPGA

- Industrial design

- Human factors

- Open Source

Gaming goggles



Low-vision devices



Professional







Gaming Goggles



Two Independent Parts of OSVR

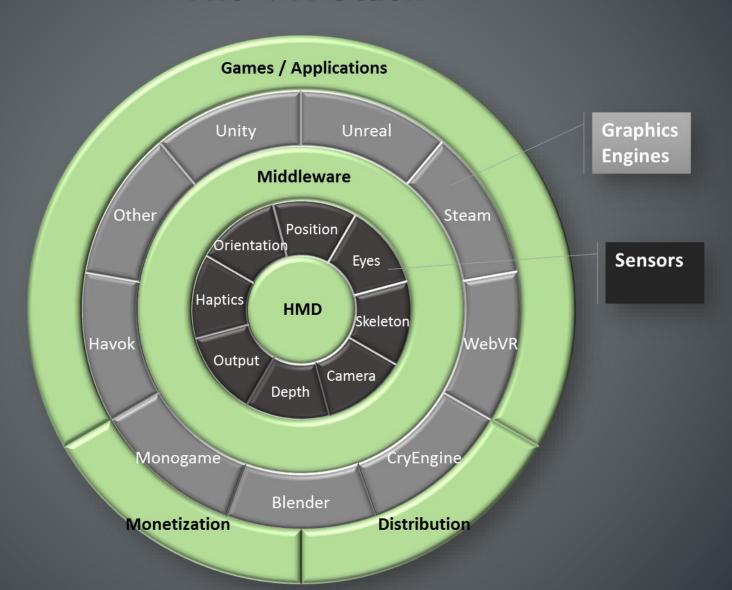
Open-source Hardware

Open-Source Software

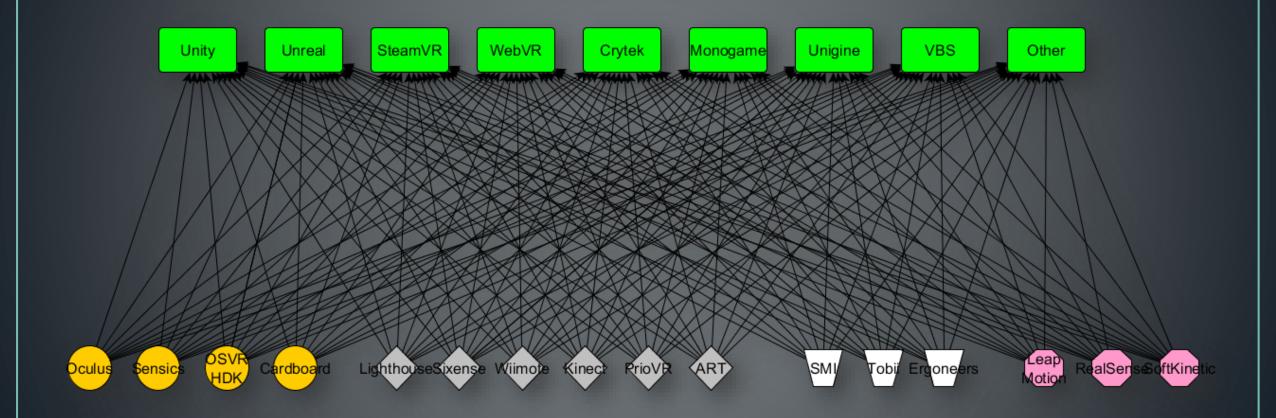




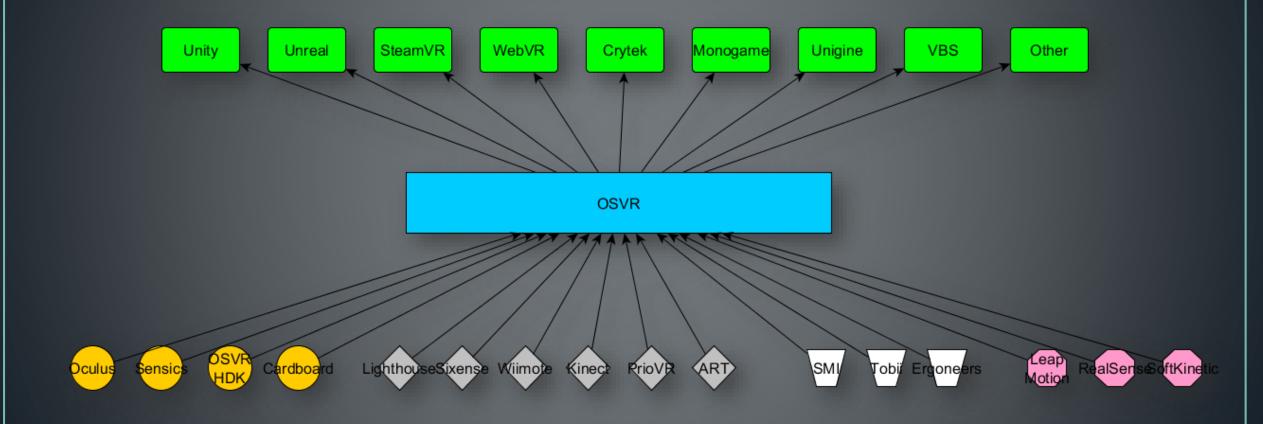
The VR Stack



Without OSVR



With OSVR



What Is the OSVR™ Software?

• A multi-platform, standardized interface to virtual reality devices and peripherals.

A set of high-performance rendering utilities

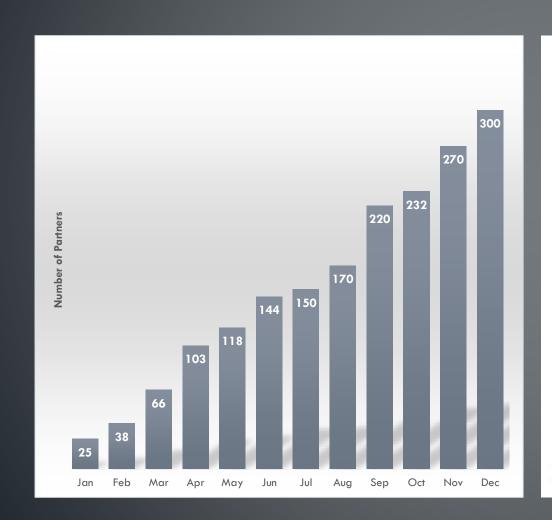
Highly extensible

• Free and open source, Apache 2.0 license

Growth of the OSVR Ecosystem

Number of Participants

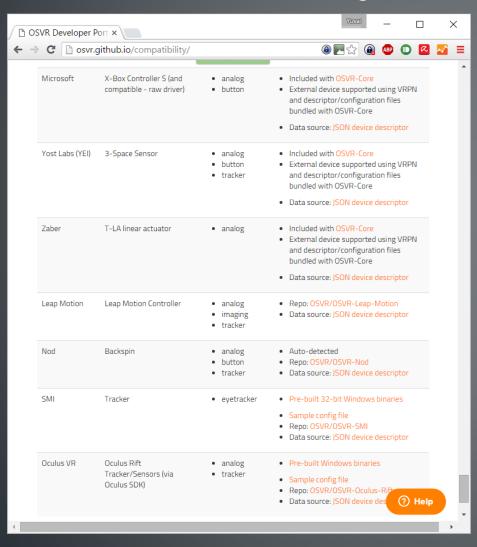
Selected Participants





Device and Platform Support

Hundreds of devices (see osvr.github.io)



Game Engines

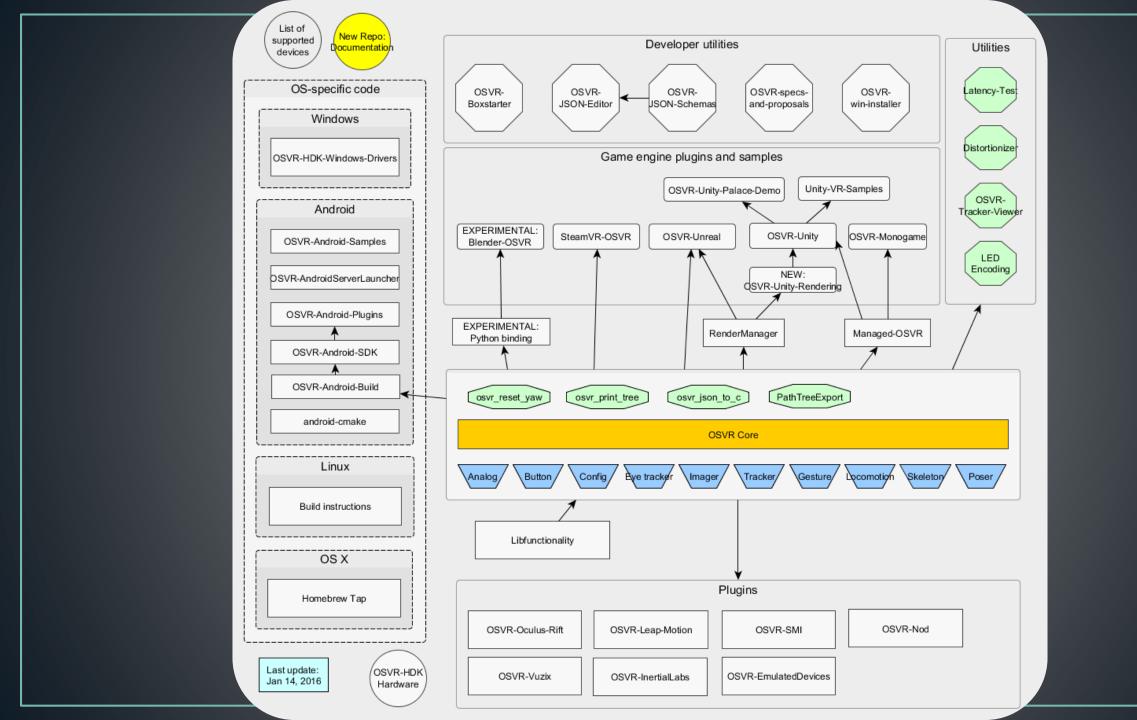
- Unity
- Unreal
- CryEngine
- WebVR
- SteamVR
- Blender
- Monogame
- DirectX
- OpenGL
- And more



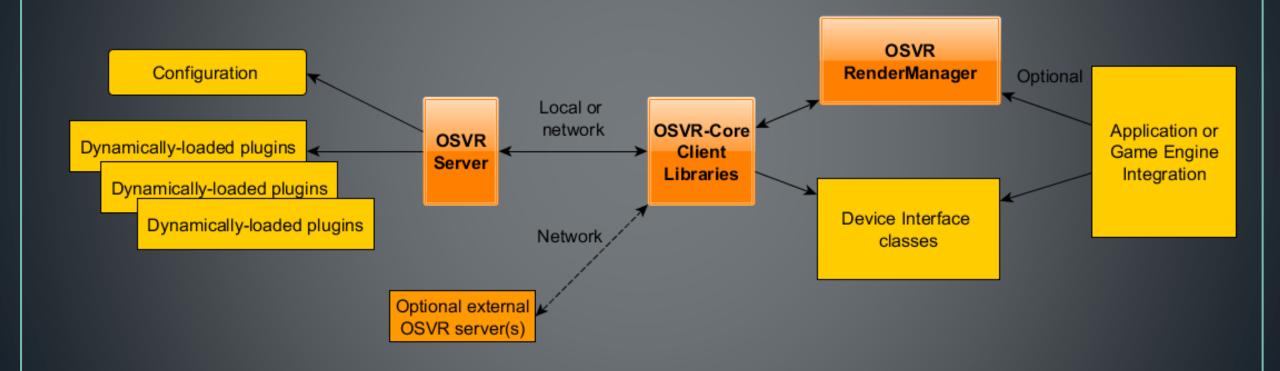




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OSVR Block Diagram



OSVR Interfaces

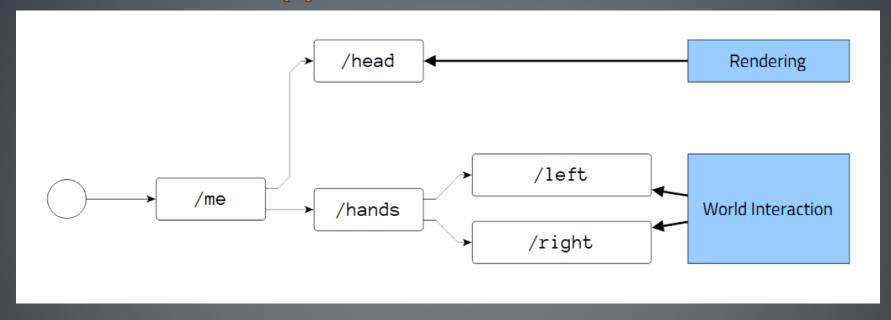
- Interfaces are the primitive "pipes of data"
- A *Device* exposes one or more *interfaces*
- Tracker
- Eye tracking
- Display
- Imager (camera)
- Skeleton (e.g. hand, full body)
- Analog
- Button
- Gesture
- Poser (e.g. motion platforms)

Two Ways of working with an Interface

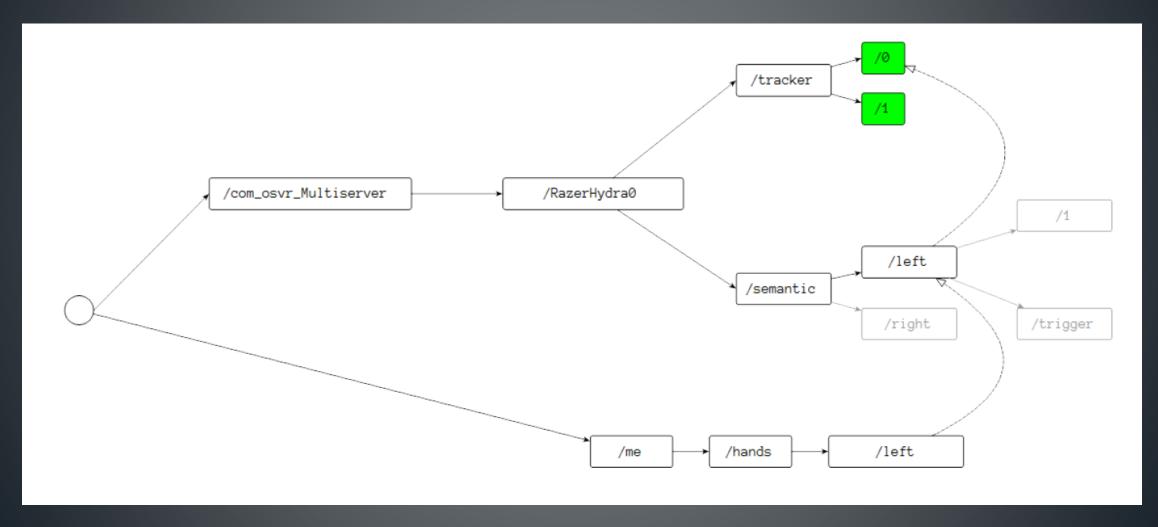
Synchronous: blocking read or write

Asynchronous: callback for an event

An App Uses a Semantic Path



...Allowing Mapping to a Device



...at Runtime!

YEI Tracker

OSVR HDK Tracker

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"plugins": [], /* only need to list manual-load plugins */
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Same is True for Displays

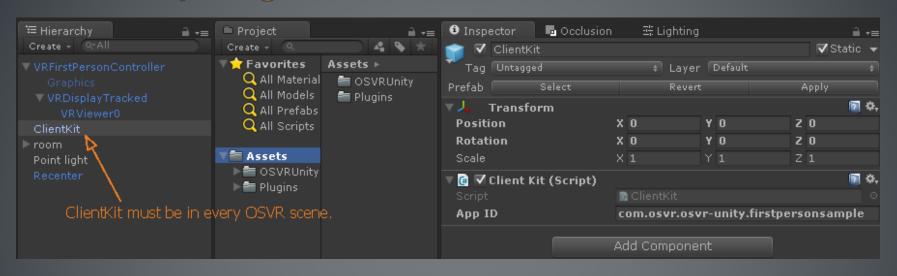
DK₂

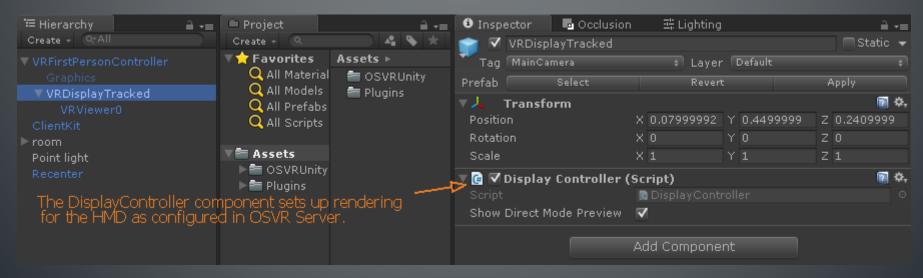
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Vuzix 720

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```

Unity Integration https://github.com/OSVR/OSVR-Docs





OSVR Render Manager

- Direct mode
- Asynchronous time warp
- Distortion correction
- Preview window

- Easy to add new or custom HMDs
- Next up: foveated rendering

OSVR Plugins

- Dynamically loaded, open- or closed-source
- Device plugins
- Analysis plugins, such as:
 - Sensor fusion
 - Predictive tracking
 - Position detection
 - Augmented reality

Some Ongoing and Future Work

- Additional devices, platforms and game engine integrations
- Graphical tools to make configuration easier
- Foveated rendering
- New analysis plugins such as gesture engine, augmented reality
- It's free and open so we hope to see your code as well!

Summary of OSVR Advantages

- Supports multiple devices, operating systems, game engines
- Unified, device-independent programming model
- Optimized game engine interfaces
- Full set of capabilities
- Free and open source
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