



# GRITS Player vs. Player gaming with

*It's got robots!*



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This session will present GRITS, a player vs. player shooter game, built entirely using Google technologies. In this talk, we'll walk through building an HTML5 canvas engine, serving the content, networking using Websockets, using NodeJS, social integration and more. Attendees to this session will walk away with a big-picture view of all the Google technologies that are relevant to web gaming, a deep understanding of how to get started with them, and have the ability to see them live, in action with the source code to the published game.



About Colton McAnlis

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Colt is a Developer Advocate on HTML5 and Native Client gaming in Chrome; When he's not working with partners, Colt spends his time preparing for an invasion of giant ants from outer space.

# Keep It Simple... Googler (KISG)

Multiplayer ONLY

Leverage Google technologies

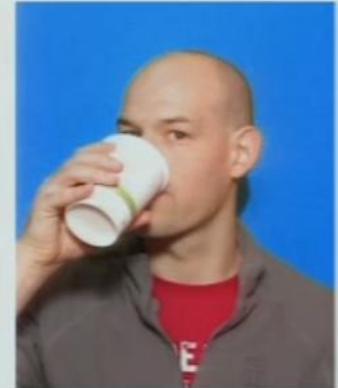
Contract artwork / sounds

Not commercially viable



# GO TEAM GRITS!

1. 6 team members





# Demo Time!

Yay! Robots!





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Number of Games: 1000

High Score: 100

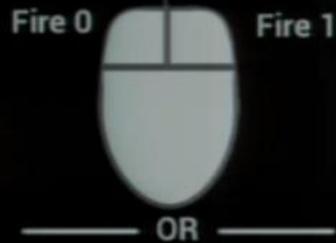
GAME FOUND  
Loading Content...

### CONTROLS

#### MOVE



#### SHOOT



Fire 2

SPACE

OR



Toggle

Shft

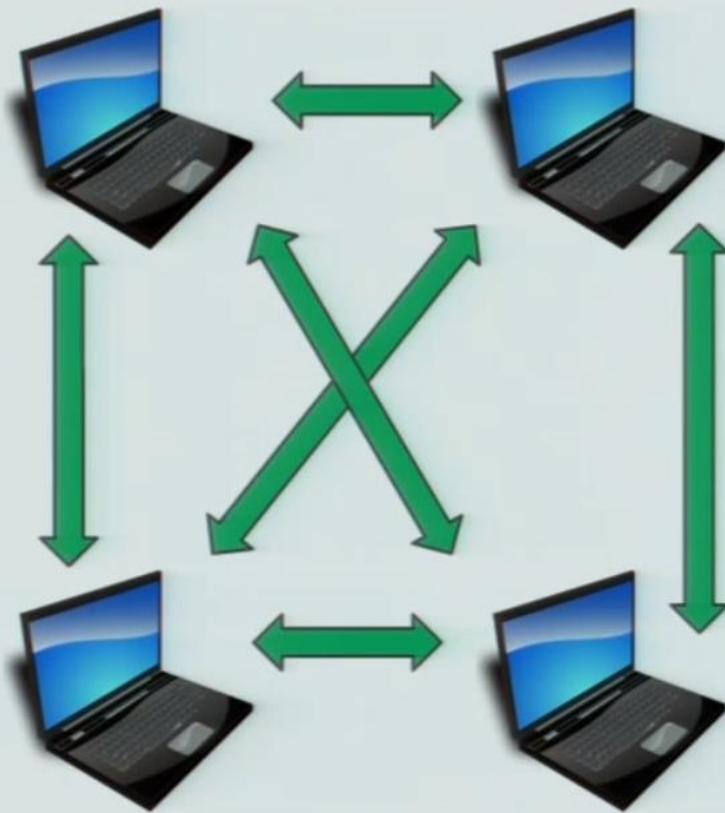




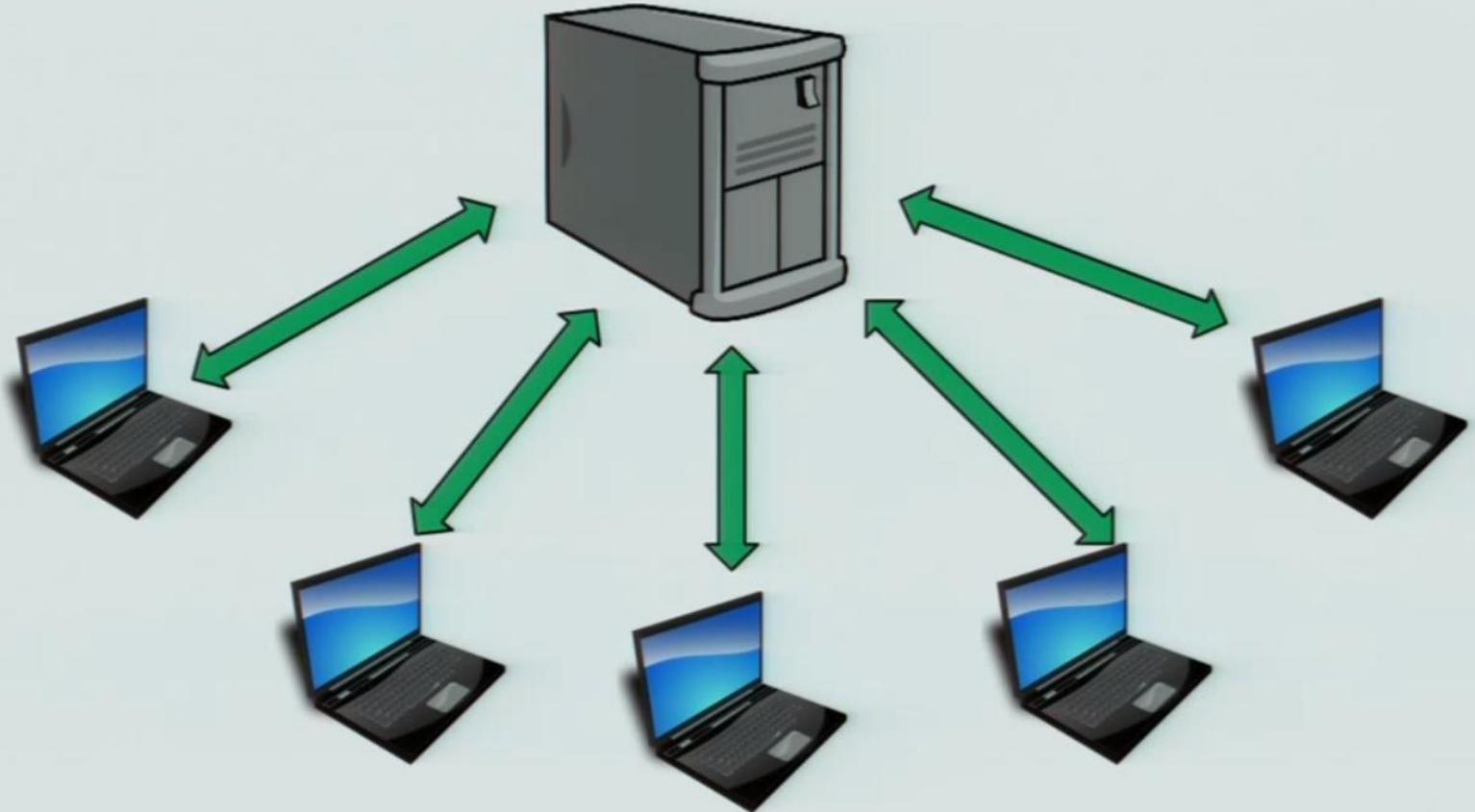
# How does a PvP game work?

How to get players, versus'ing each other.

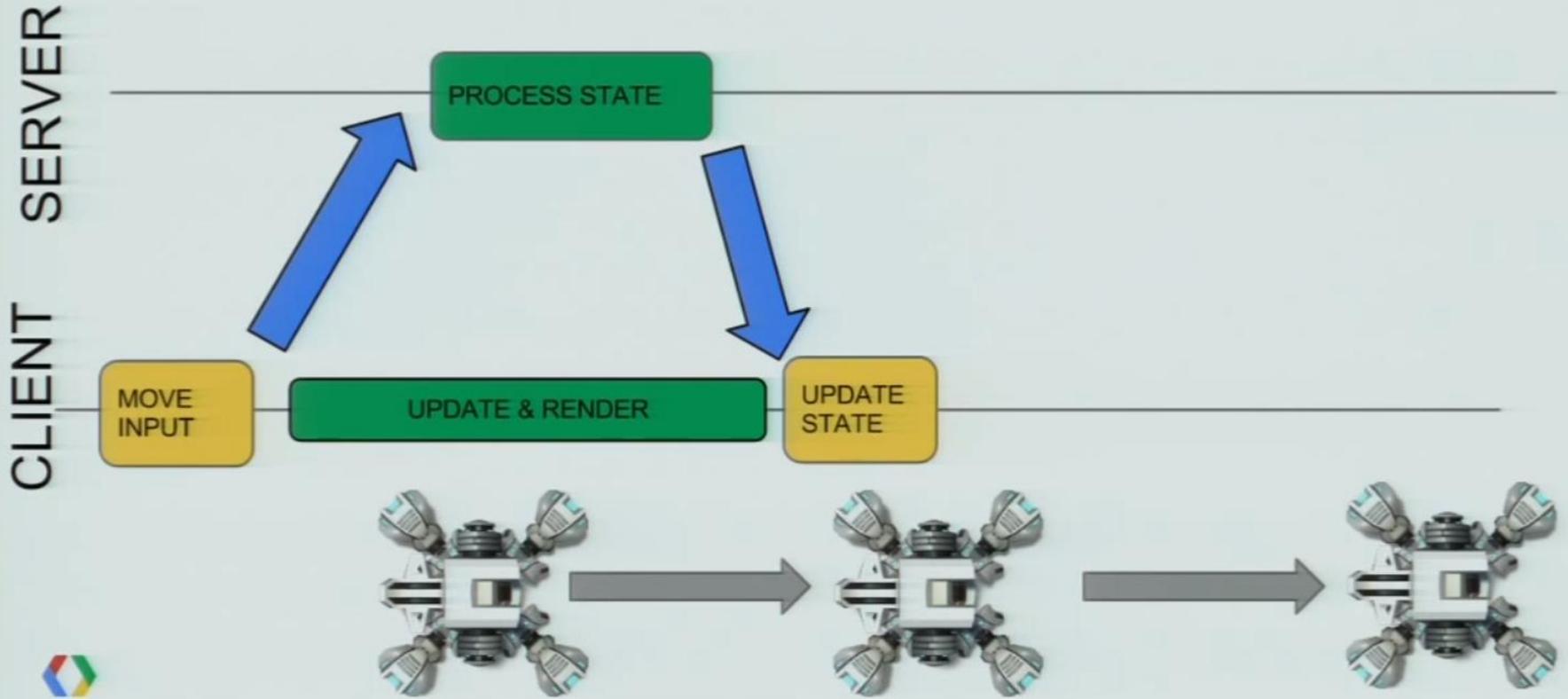
# Getting players talking

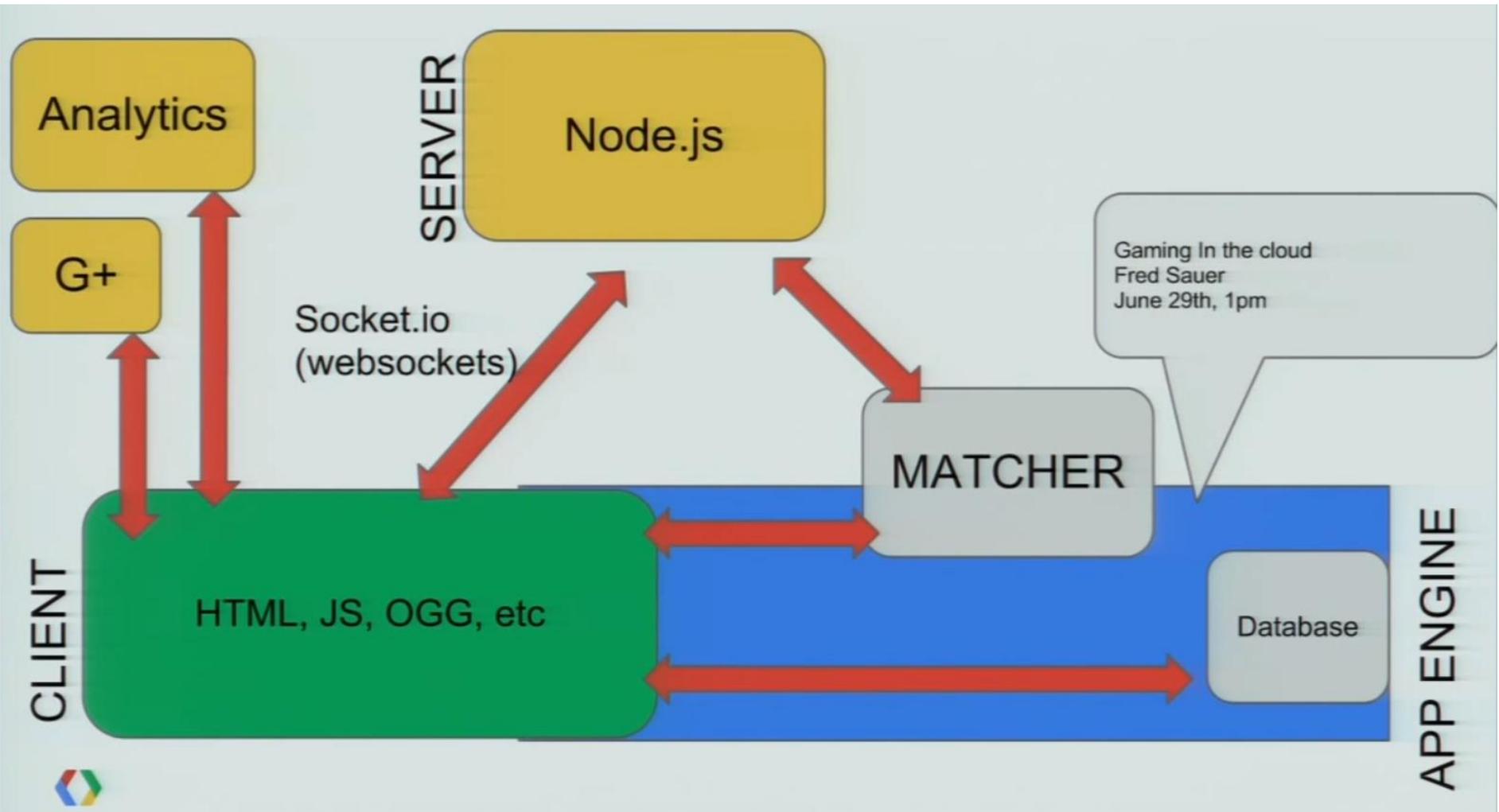


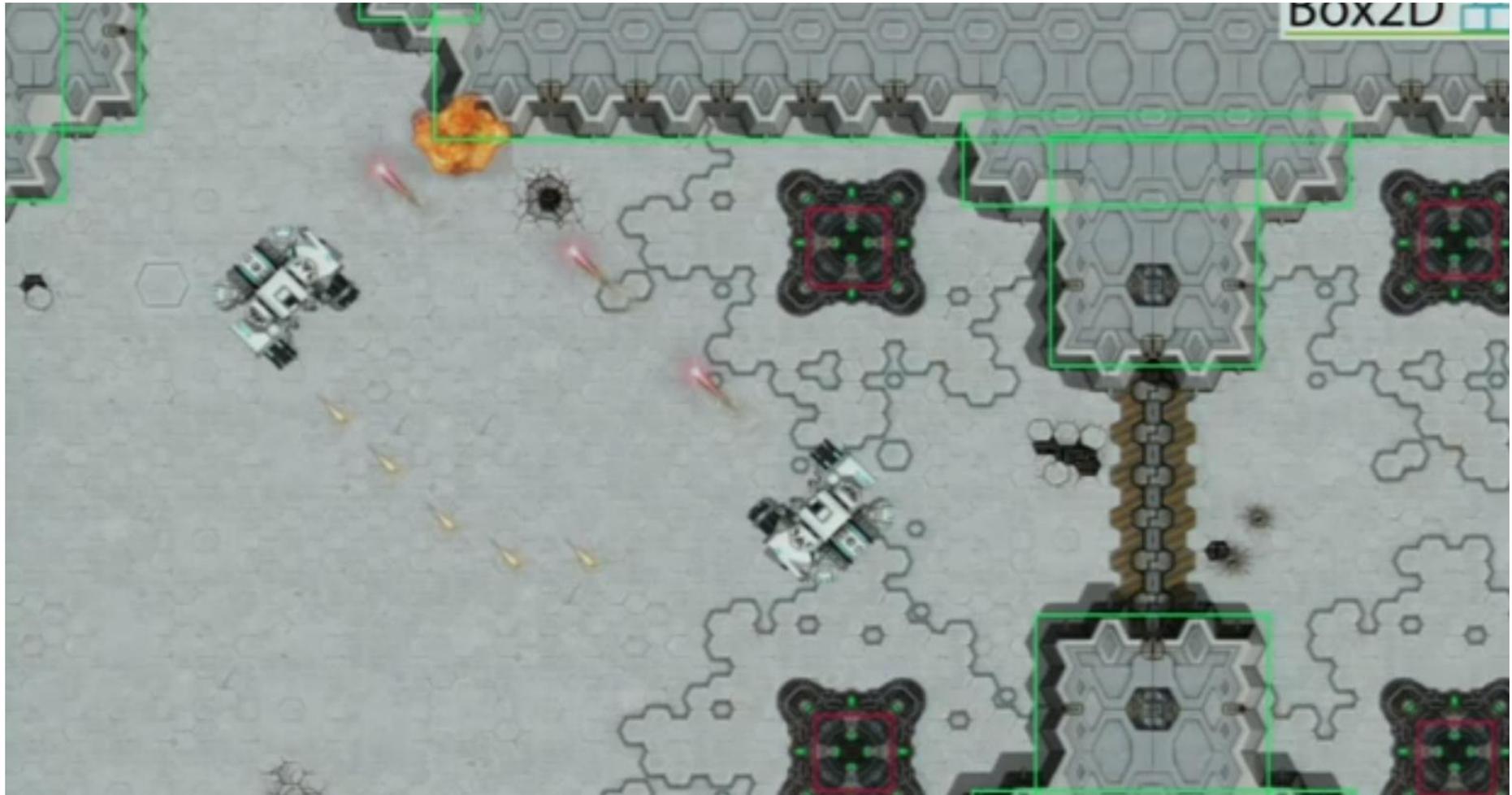
# Authoritative server



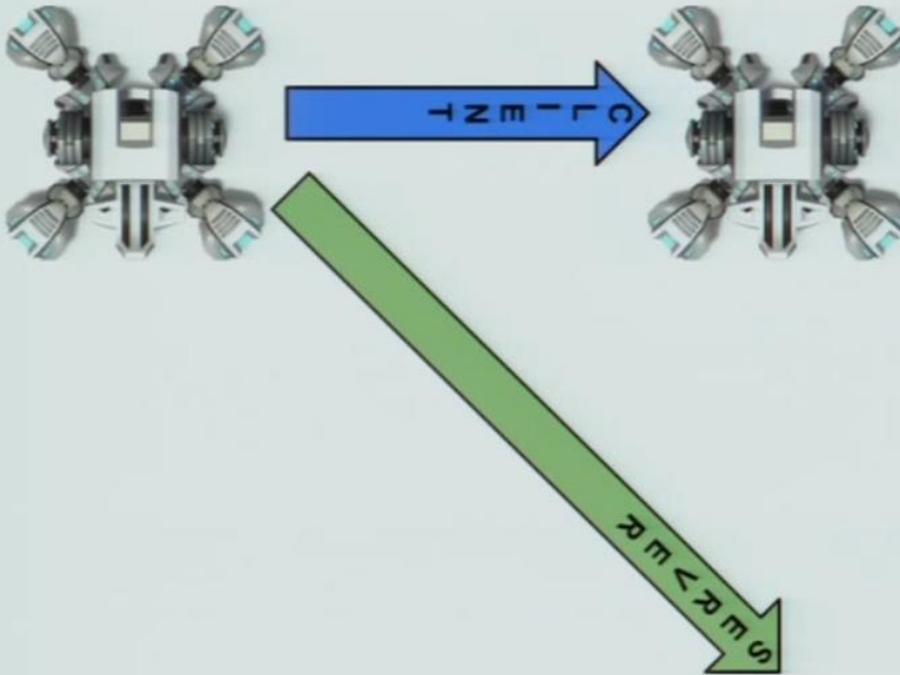
# Client side prediction



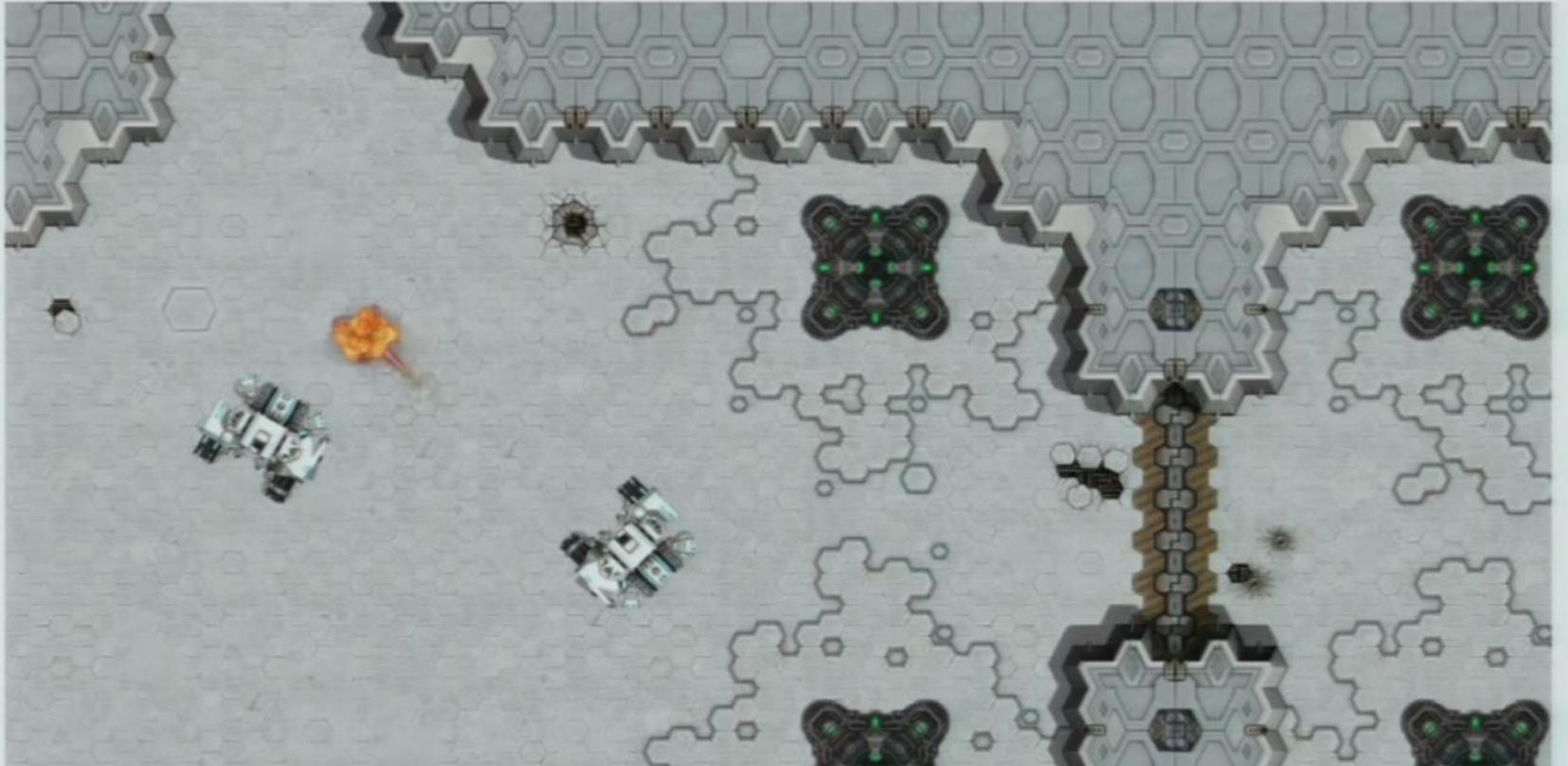




# Prediction Adjustment



# Authoritative server





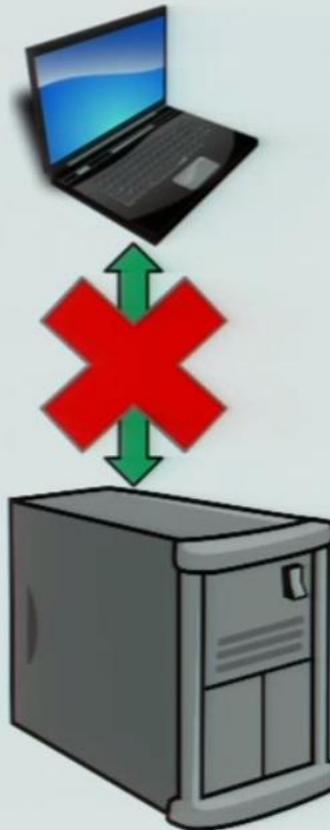
# Networking GRITS

It's not *who* you know, it's what technology stack allows you to talk to them.

# Using packets in C++

```
struct input
{
    uchar pktType;
    uint32 from;
    float32 dir[2];
}
```

```
struct input_v3
{
    uint32 from;
    float32 dir_x;
    float32 dir_y;
}
```



# Keep talking....

```
input : {  
  from : 'STRING',  
  dir : 'INT',  
  ...  
}
```

Code Generation



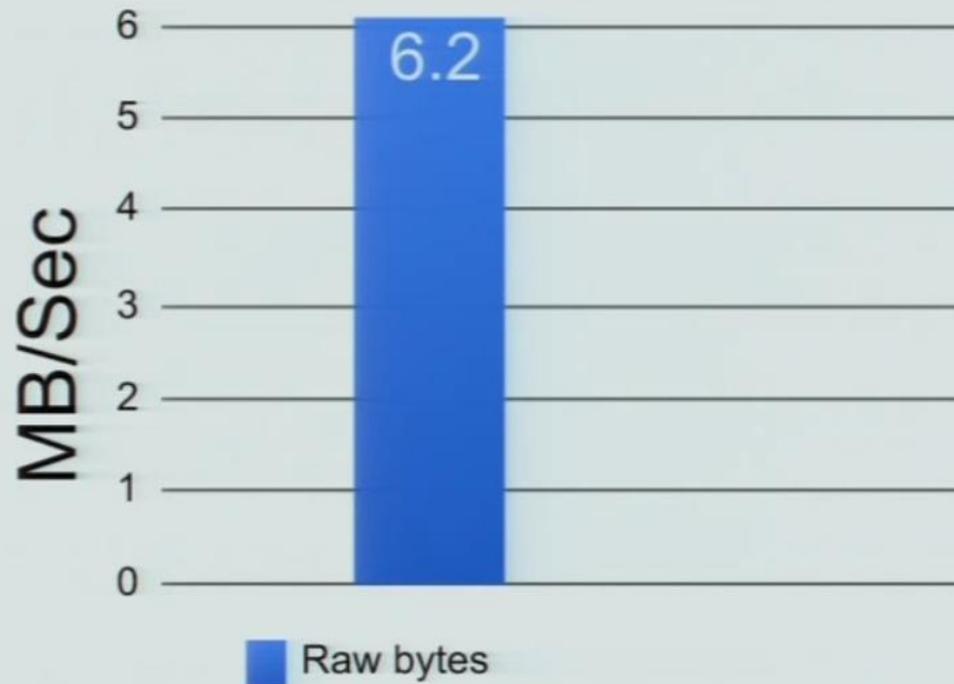
```
function client.send_input(..) {  
  //generate byte-optimized packet  
}
```

Sent to client



```
socket.client.send_input({ from : player.id, ..});
```

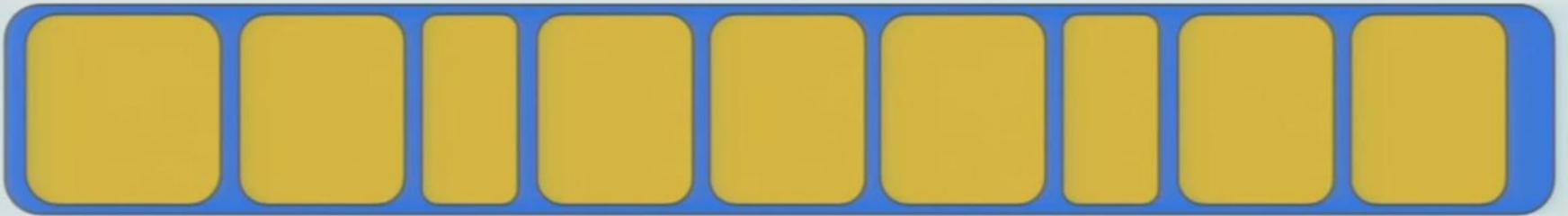
# THa's a whole lotta datta



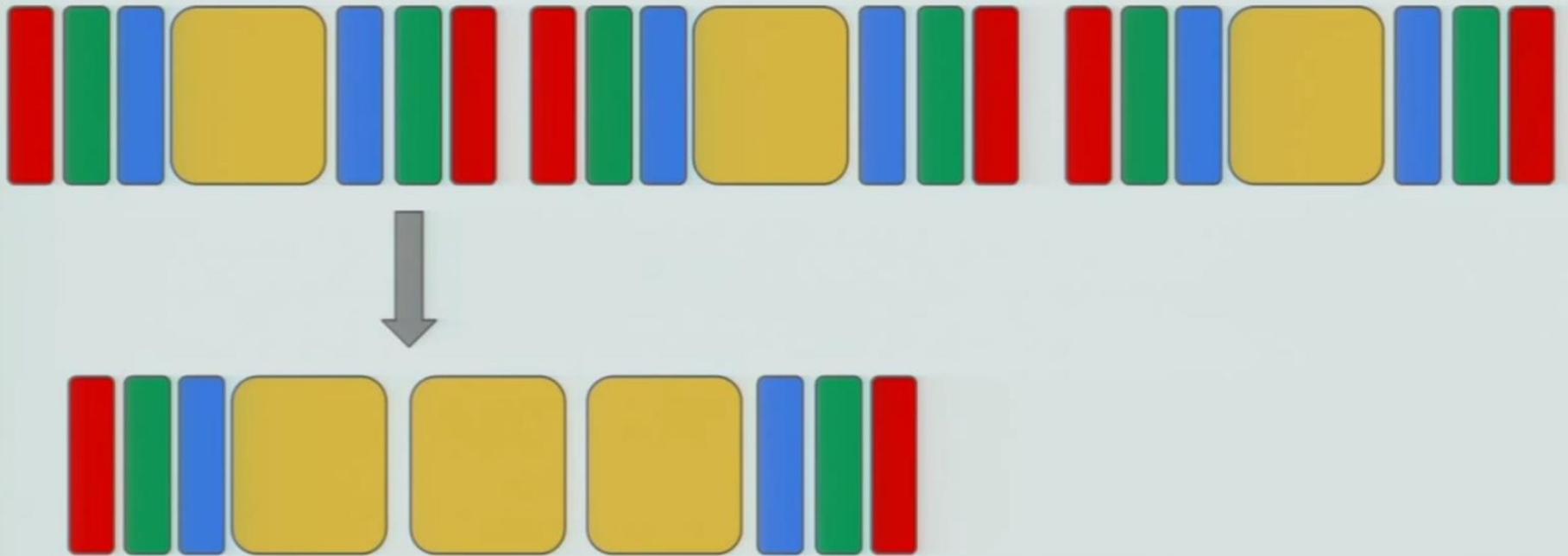
## Bandwidth from Packets



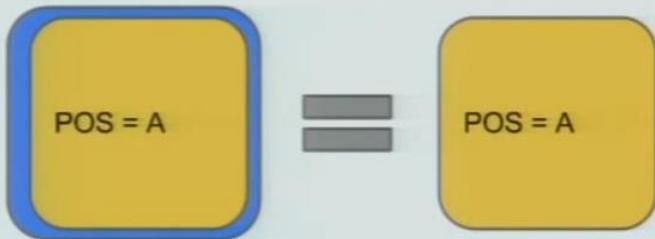
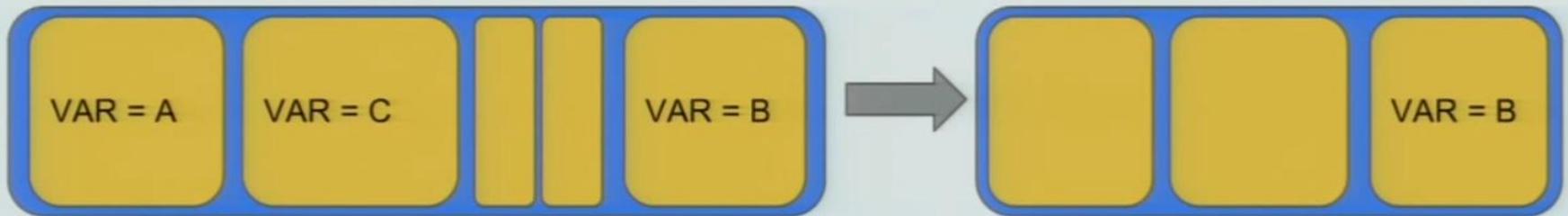
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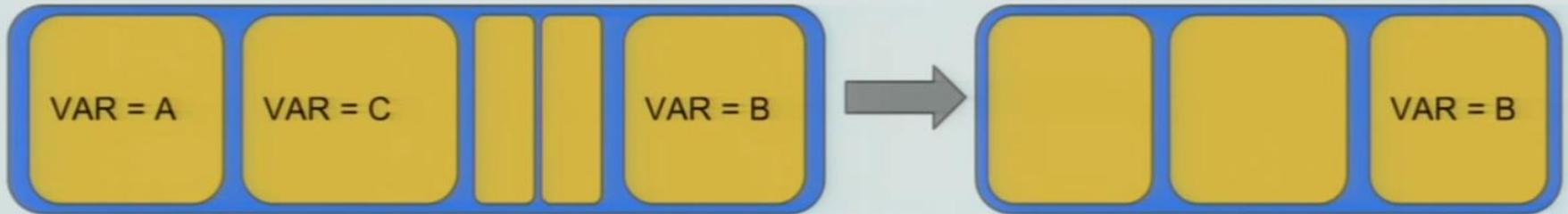
## Packet grouping



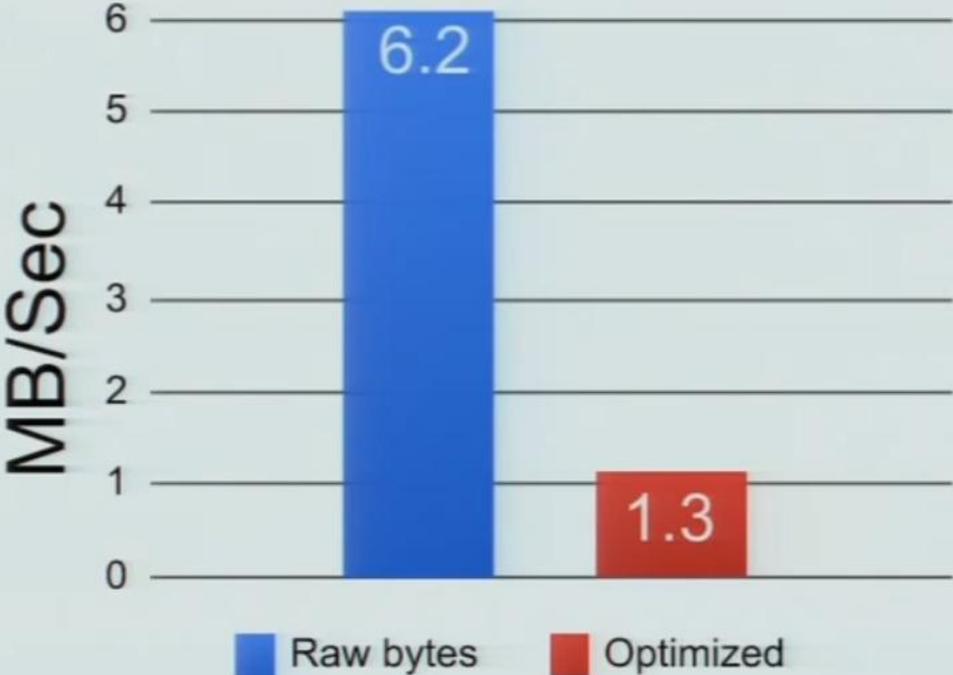
## Duplicate packets



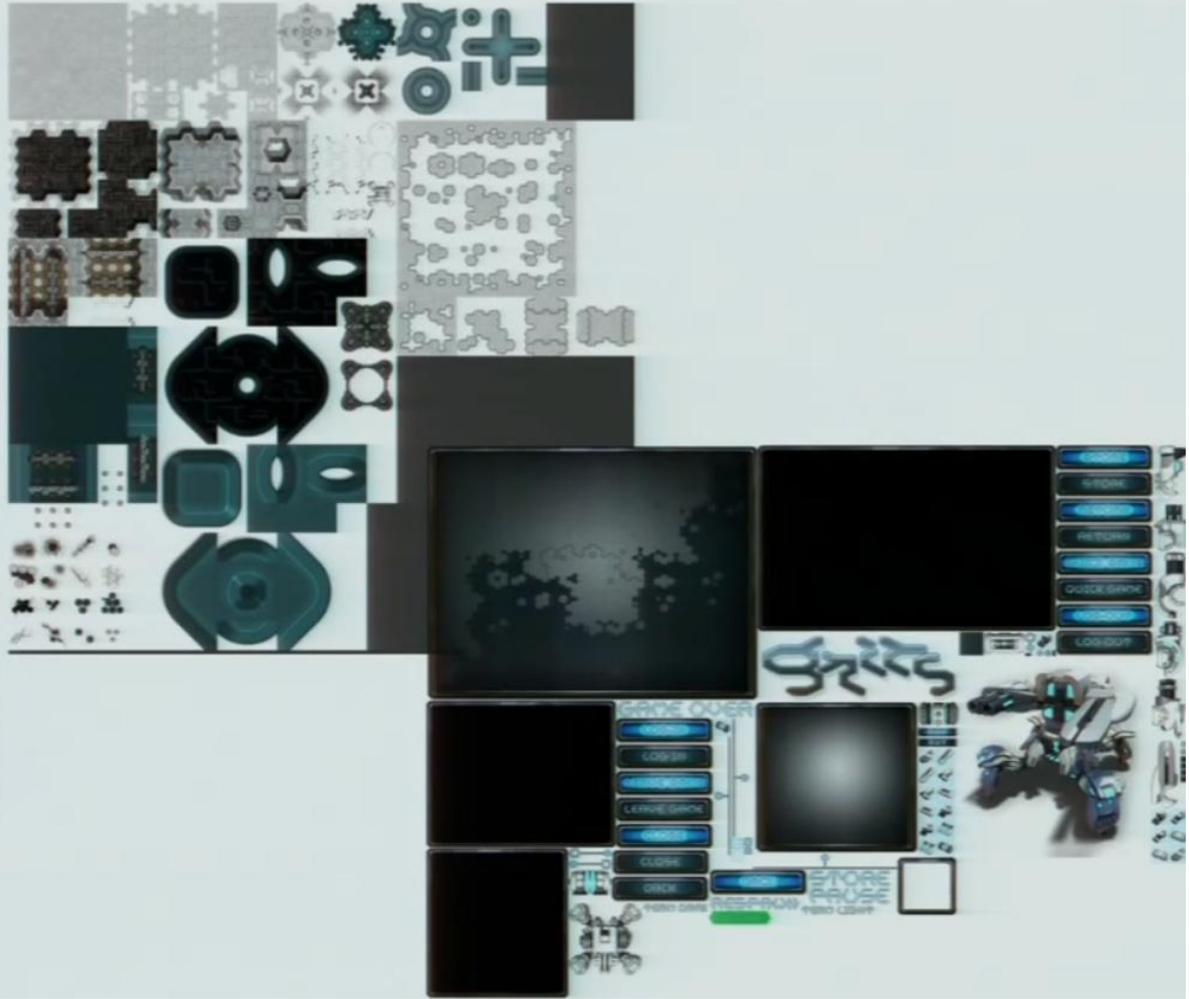
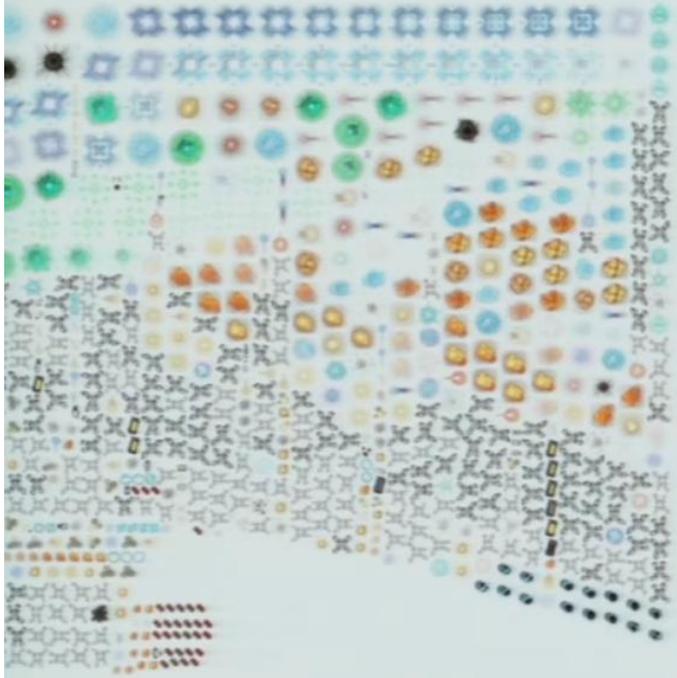
# Duplicate packets



# Shoop da dupe



# Atlas the planet



# Use an Atlas, save the world.

1 atlas request

**4096x4096** pixels

**107.57kb** total

**247ms** total



The screenshot shows the Chrome DevTools Network tab with a single request for 'atlas.jpg'. The table below summarizes the request details.

Name	Method	Status	Type	Initiator	Size	Time	Duration					
Path		Text			Content	Latency		1.5s	2.2s	3.0s	3.8s	4.5s
atlas.jpg /img/	GET	200 OK	image/...	8080:25 Script	107.57KB 107.30KB	241ms 241ms						

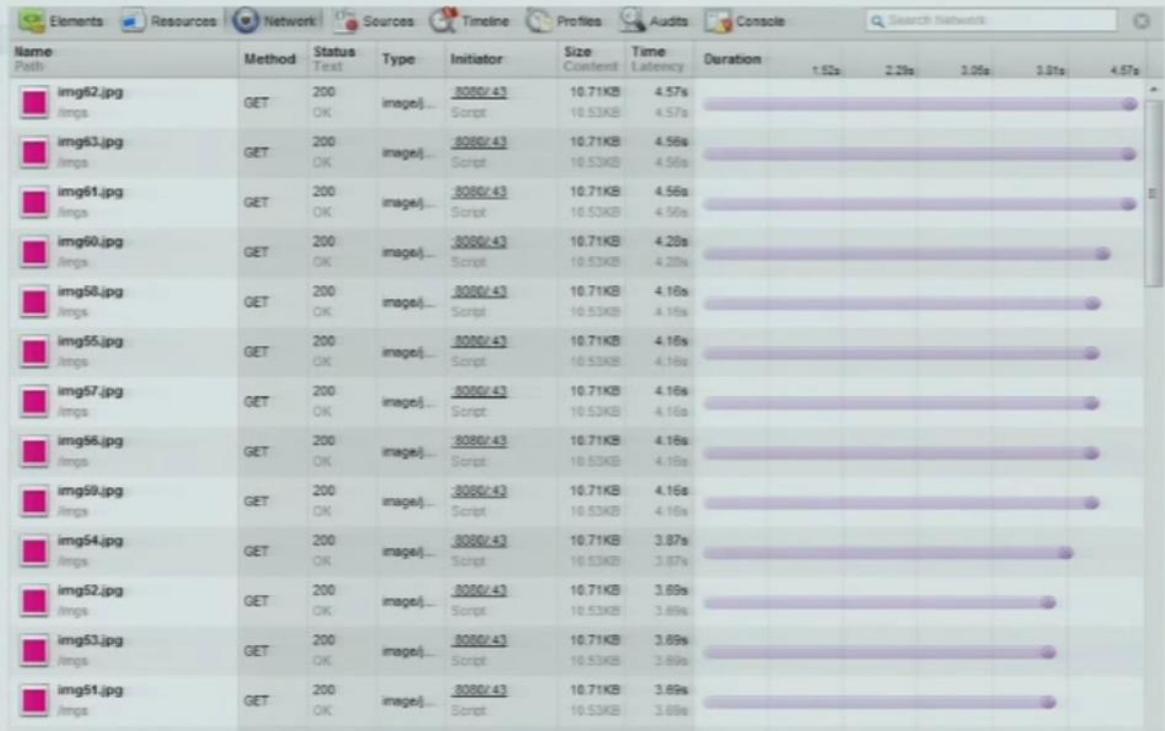
# Use an Atlas, save the world.

4096 individual requests

10.71kb each

685.55k total

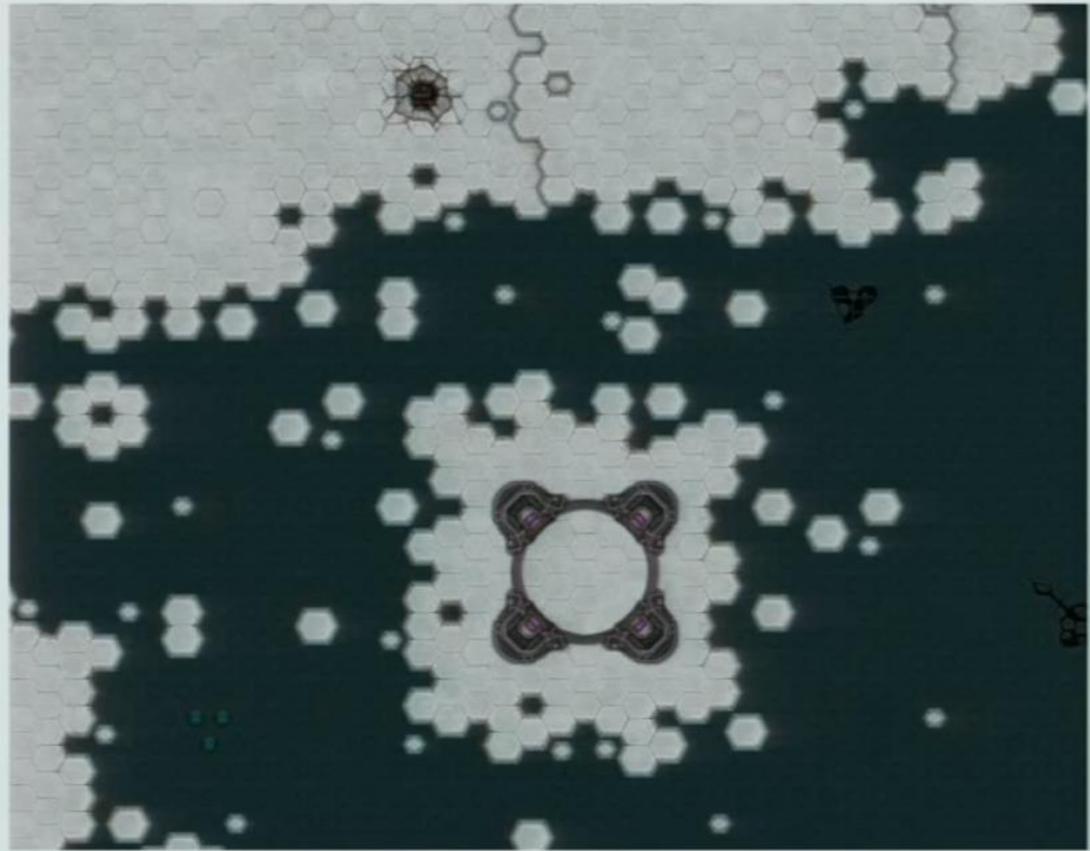
~4.63 seconds total



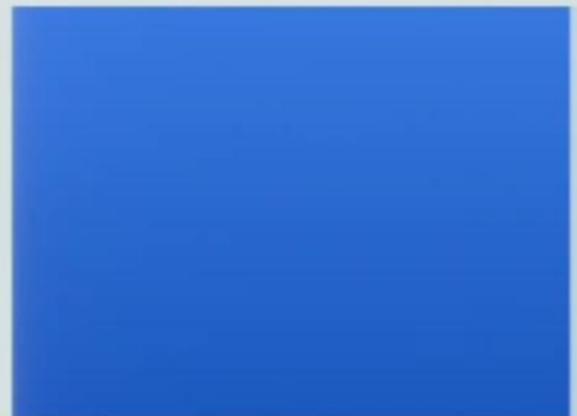
The screenshot shows the Network tab in Chrome DevTools. The table below represents the data visible in the table view of the network requests.

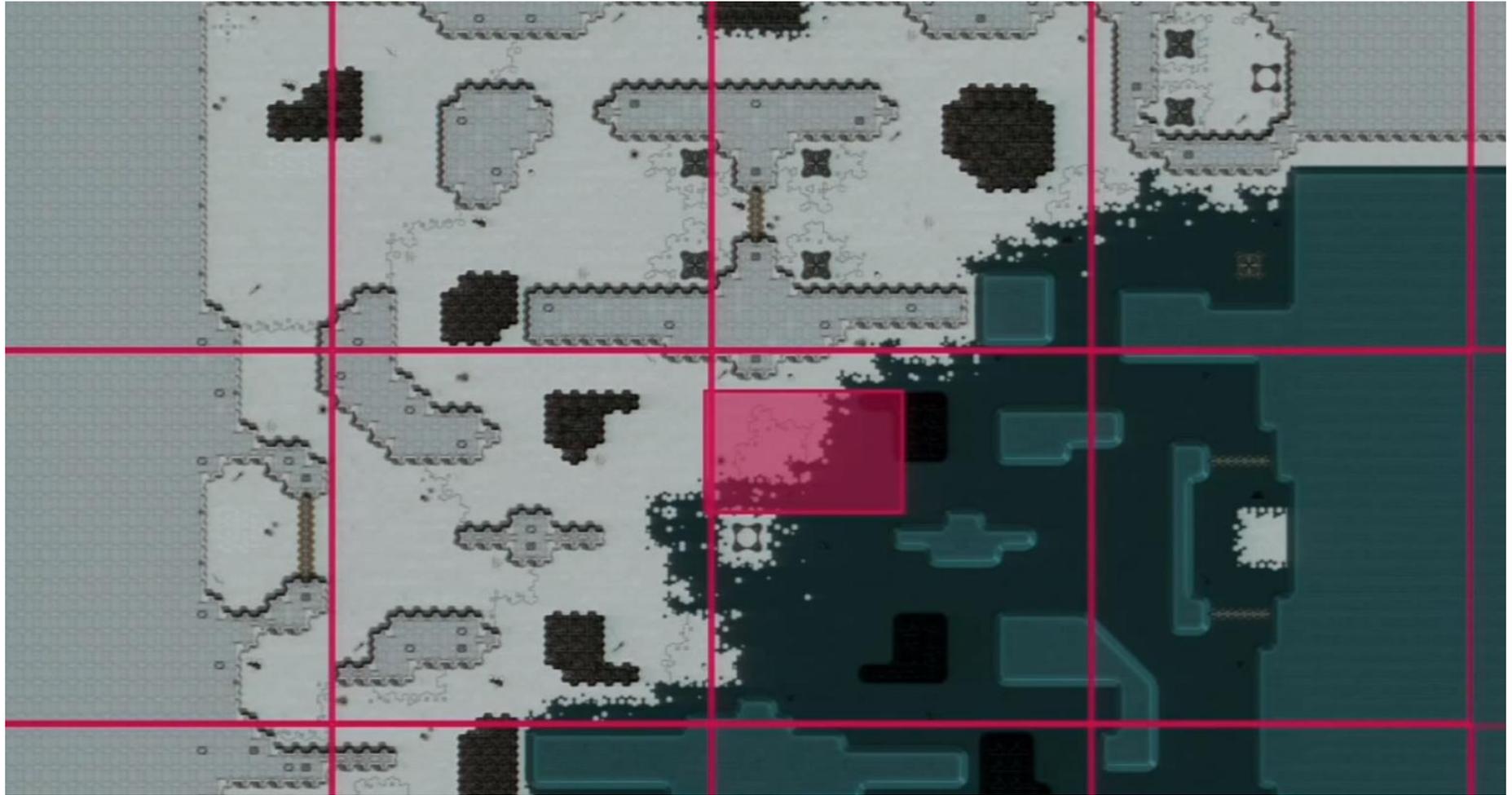
Name Path	Method	Status Text	Type	Initiator	Size Content	Time Latency	Duration
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**Tiles = Draws = performance**



## Off DOM canvas



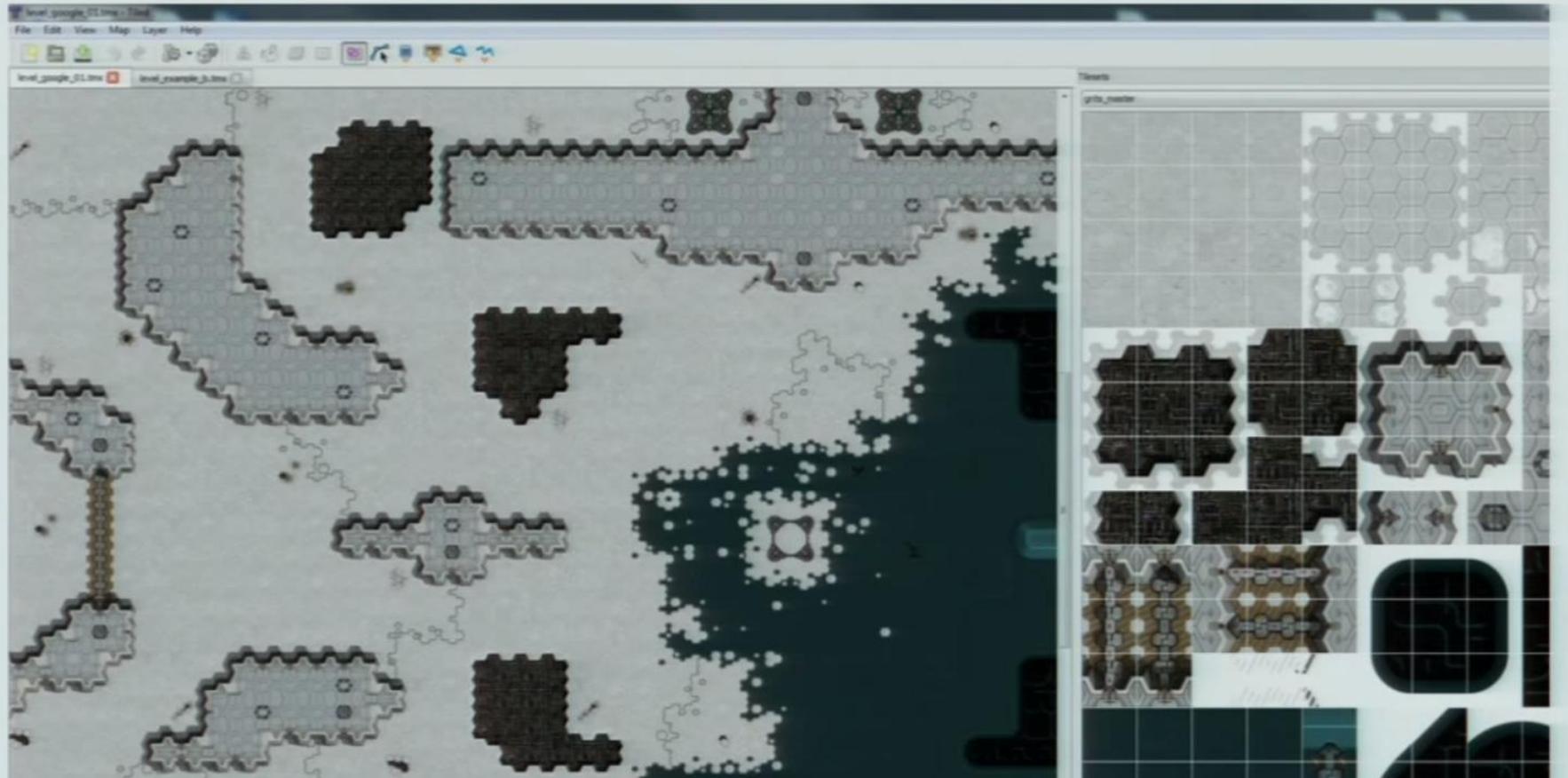




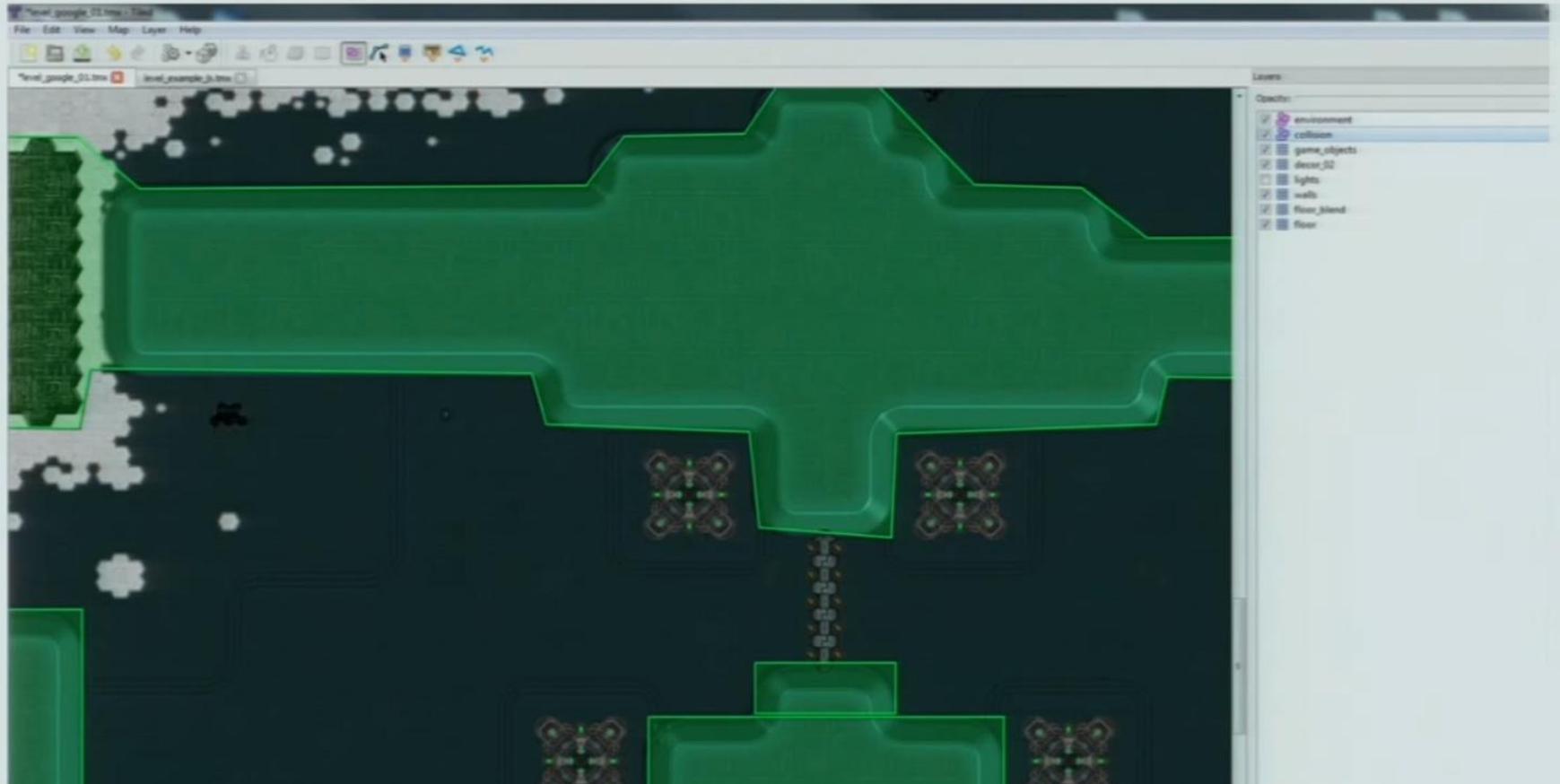
# The Tools

Rome wasn't built in a day, but they still used hammers.

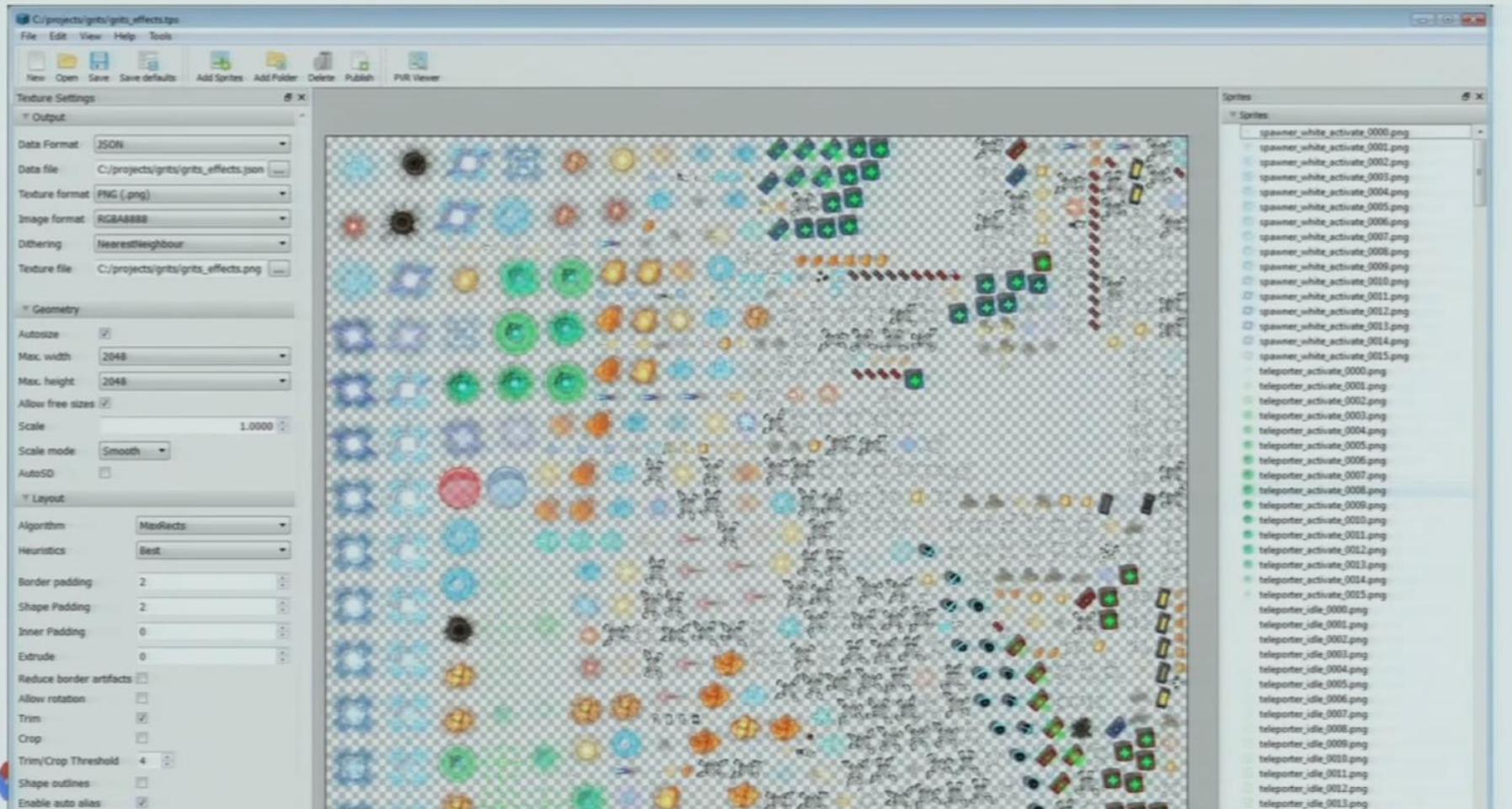
# Map Editor : TILED



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# Texture Packer



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## Eating Grits

HTML5 PvP? MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

HTML5 APIs getting better for game dev

Bandwidth reduction crucial for high-performance gameplay

Invest in proper client-side prediction and latency hiding

Websockets work really well!

## Eating Grits

Canvas works for simple things

- Especially if you don't want to write a GL engine

- Use off-dom caching for faster canvas performance

- Make sure you segment it into sane values!

Atlasing is crucial for decreasing load-times



**[CODE.GOOGLE.COM/P/GRITSGAME](https://code.google.com/p/gritsgame)**

GO FORTH AND CODE!

HTML



# Strike Fortress



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