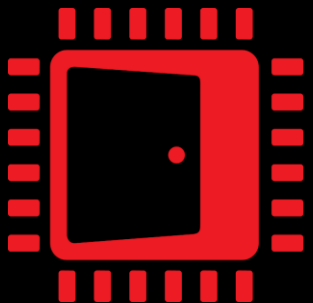


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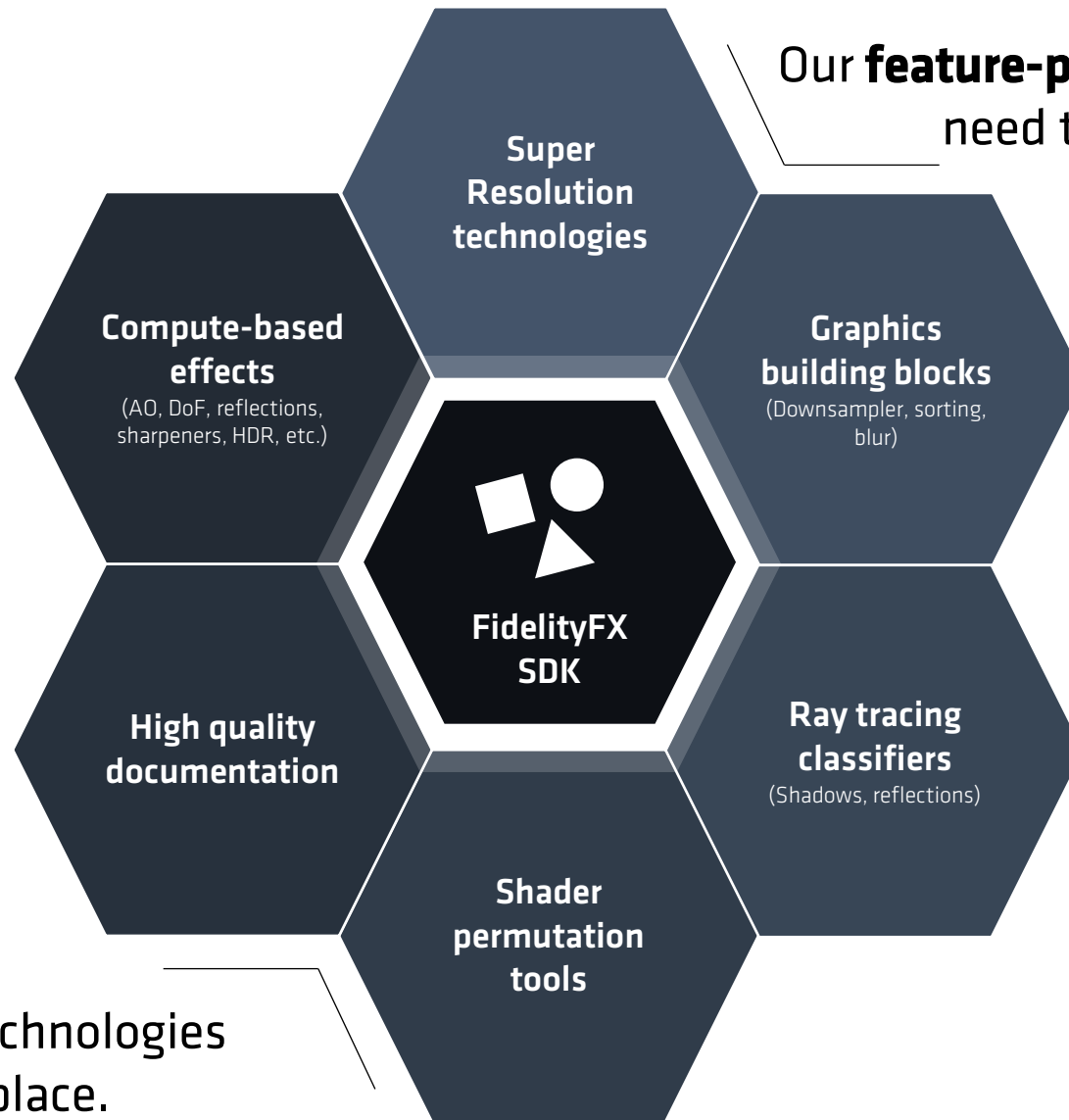
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- SDK Samples
- Wrap up



# FIDELITYFX SDK

- Overview

Our **feature-packed** SDK offers the tools you need to create world-class renderers.



All the great FidelityFX™ technologies you know and love, in one place.

FidelityFX™

MIT license	Open source	Consistent user experience	Clean architecture	Easy-to-use API	High quality documentation	DirectX®12 Support	Vulkan® Support	Xbox Support	Easy to integrate	Shader compilation tools
✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	—	—	—	✗

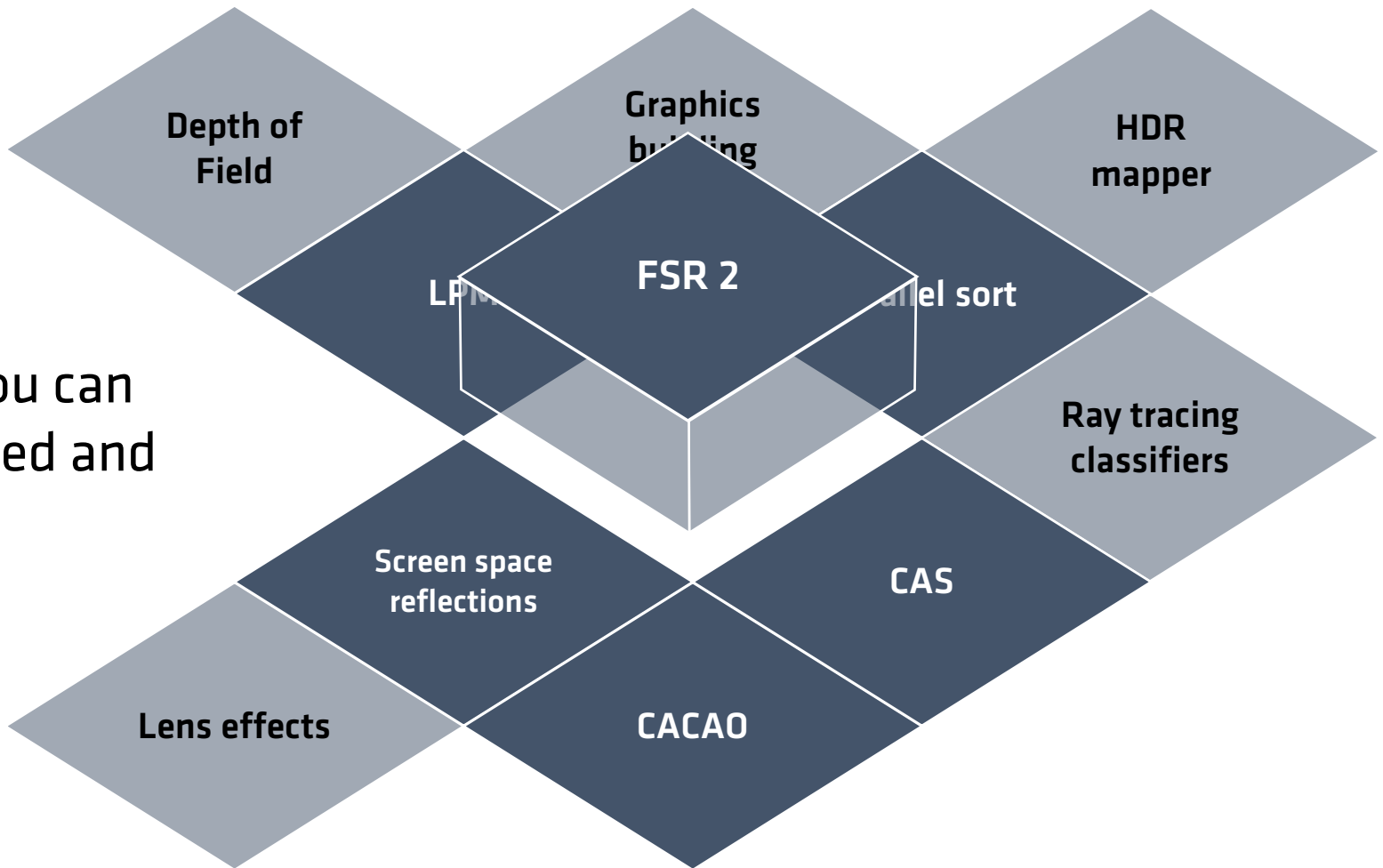
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FidelityFX™ SDK	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓

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\* Coming soon

A **modular** architecture means you can take just the components you need and effortlessly bolt them together.



# Application

## Effect Components

FSR2.2	FSR1.0	Parallel Sort	Tile Classifiers	VRS
SSSR	LPM	SPD	Denoiser	
CACAO	DoF	Lens	Blur	

## FidelityFX™ Interface

DirectX®12  
Backend

Vulkan®  
Backend

DirectX®11  
Backend\*

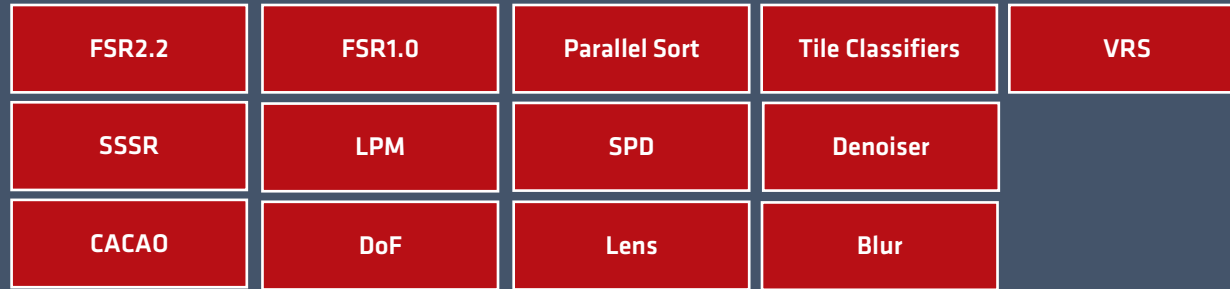
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# Application

## Effect Components



## FidelityFX™ Interface

### Services



### Data



Backend

# SDK

## Include/FidelityFX

### GPU

#### FFX Core Headers

(Shader APIs and general GPU programming abstractions and utilities)

#### Effect Components

(one directory per effect component, each containing shader code for that effect)

### Host

ffx.h

#### Backends

DX12

Vulkan

#### Effect Components

(one directory per effect component, each containing C-style API header files)

### Source

#### Effects

(one directory per effect component, each containing source code for that effect)

#### Backends

DX12

Vulkan

Shared

### Tools

FidelityFX™ Shader Pre-compiler

# Samples

## Effects

Blur

CACAO

CAS

DOF

FSR1

FSR2

HDR

Lens

Parallel Sort

SPD

SSSR

VRS

## Cauldron 2

## Render Modules

## Third Party

# Documentation

# FIDELITYFX SDK

- Usage example

```

#include <FidelityFX/ffx.h>

// Create a backend for FidelityFX.
const size_t scratchBufferSize = ffxGetScratchMemorySizeDX12(FFX_BLUR_CTX_COUNT);
void* scratchBuffer = malloc(scratchBufferSize);
FFX_ASSERT(scratchBuffer);
FfxInterface* backendInterface = NULL;
FfxErrorCode errorCode = ffxGetInterfaceDX12(&backendInterface, dx12Device,
      scratchBuffer, scratchBufferSize, FFX_BLUR_CTX_COUNT);

// Create the blur effect context.
FfxBlurContext blurContext = {};
FfxBlurContextDescription contextDescription = {};
contextDescription.backendInterface = backendInterface;
contextDescription.kernelSizes = FFX_BLUR_KERNEL_SIZE_ALL; // allow all kernel sizes
contextDescription.floatPrecision = FFX_BLUR_FLOAT_PRECISION_16BIT;
errorCode = ffxBlurContextCreate(&blurContext, & contextDescription);
FFX_ASSERT(errorCode == FFX_OK);

```

```
// Describe the blur we want to perform.
FfxBlurDispatchDescription dispatchDescription = {};
dispatchDescription.commandList = ffxGetCommandListDX12(dx12CommandList);
dispatchDescription.kernelSize = FFX_BLUR_KERNEL_SIZE_13x13; // many choices!
dispatchDescription.inputAndOutputSize.width = AppGetWidth();
dispatchDescription.inputAndOutputSize.height = AppGetHeight();
dispatchDescription.input = ffxGetResourceDX12(
    inputResource,
    L"MyBlurInput",
    FFX_RESOURCE_STATE_PIXEL_COMPUTE_READ);
dispatchDescription.output = ffxGetResourceDX12(
    outputResource,
    L"MyBlurOutput",
    FFX_RESOURCE_STATE_UNORDERED_ACCESS);

// Perform the blur.
ffxBlurContextDispatch(&blurContext, &dispatchDescription);
```

```
// Destroy the blur effect context when shutting everything down.
ffxBlurContextDestroy(&blurContext);

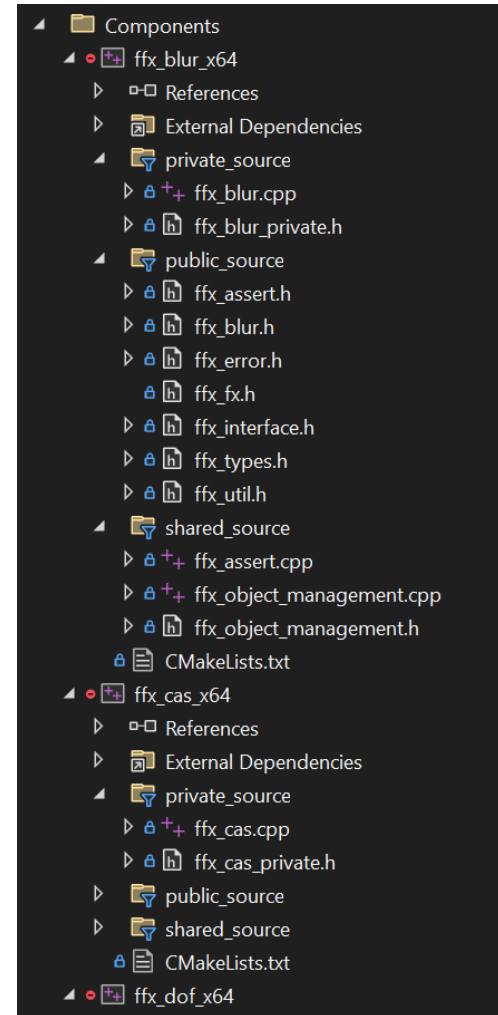
// Don't forget to destroy the backing memory for the interface.
if (backendInterface.scratchBuffer) {
    free(backendInterface.scratchBuffer);
}
```

# FIDELITYFX SDK

- Internals – Effect Components

# ANATOMY OF AN EFFECT COMPONENT

- Public source
  - ffx common headers
  - ffx\_<effect>.h
- Shared source
  - Asserts and object management
- Private source
  - Component implementation
  - Private include





# ffx\_<effect>.h

- Core file pulled in by your application
  - Directly or via ffx\_fx.h
- Versioning information
- Pass definitions
- Context description structures
- Main accessors
  - `FfxErrorCode ffx<Effect>ContextCreate(Ffx<Effect>Context* pContext, const Ffx<Effect>ContextDescription* pContextDescription);`
  - `FfxErrorCode ffx<Effect>ContextDispatch(Ffx<Effect>Context* pContext, const Ffx<Effect>DispatchDescription* pDispatchDescription);`
  - `FfxErrorCode ffx<Effect>ContextDestroy(Ffx<Effect>Context* pContext);`

# ffx\_<effect>\_private.h

- Shader permutation option definitions
- CPU-side constant buffer definitions
- Private effect context definitions

```
// FfxSpdContext_Private
// The private implementation of the SPD context.
typedef struct FfxSpdContext_Private
{
    FfxSpdContextDescription    contextDescription;
    FfxUInt32                   effectContextId;
    SpdConstants                 constants;
    FfxDevice                    device;
    FfxDeviceCapabilities        deviceCapabilities;

    FfxPipelineState             pipelineDownsample;

    FfxResourceInternal          srvResources[FFX_SPD_RESOURCE_IDENTIFIER_COUNT];
    FfxResourceInternal          uavResources[FFX_SPD_RESOURCE_IDENTIFIER_COUNT];
} FfxSpdContext_Private;
```

# ffx\_<effect>.cpp

- Implementation file

- Backs main API functions

- ffx<Effect>ContextCreate( );
- ffx<Effect>ContextDestroy( );
- ffx<Effect>ContextDispatch( );

- Has all internal implementations

- <effect>Create( )
- <effect>Release( )
- <effect>Dispatch( )

- scheduleDispatch( )
- createPipelineStates( )
- getPipelinePermutationFlags( )
- patchResourceBindings( )

# FIDELITYFX SDK

- Internals – Backends

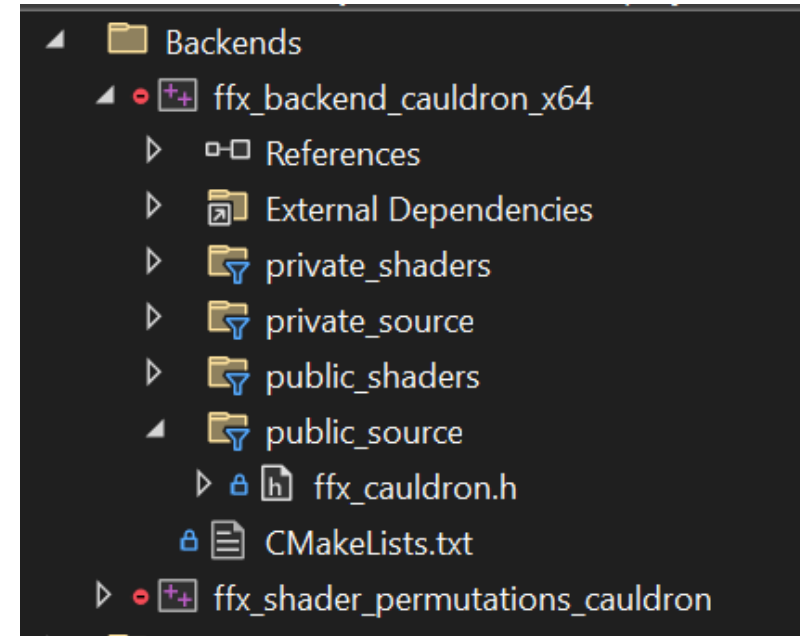
# BACKENDS

- Core API/Platform support for resource creation and GPU workload execution
- Derived from FSR2's Interface model
- Backs API-specific versions of FfxInterface used by effect components

```
typedef struct FfxInterface {  
  
    FfxCreateBackendContextFunc    fpCreateBackendContext;    ///< A callback function to create and initialize the backend context.  
    FfxGetDeviceCapabilitiesFunc    fpGetDeviceCapabilities;    ///< A callback function to query device capabilities.  
    FfxDestroyBackendContextFunc    fpDestroyBackendContext;    ///< A callback function to destroy the backend context.  
    FfxCreateResourceFunc          fpCreateResource;            ///< A callback function to create a resource.  
    FfxRegisterResourceFunc        fpRegisterResource;          ///< A callback function to register an external resource.  
    FfxGetResourceFunc             fpGetResource;               ///< A callback function to convert an internal resource to external resource type  
    FfxUnregisterResourcesFunc     fpUnregisterResources;        ///< A callback function to unregister external resource.  
    FfxGetResourceDescriptionFunc   fpGetResourceDescription;    ///< A callback function to retrieve a resource description.  
    FfxDestroyResourceFunc         fpDestroyResource;           ///< A callback function to destroy a resource.  
    FfxCreatePipelineFunc          fpCreatePipeline;            ///< A callback function to create a render or compute pipeline.  
    FfxDestroyPipelineFunc        fpDestroyPipeline;           ///< A callback function to destroy a render or compute pipeline.  
    FfxScheduleGpuJobFunc          fpScheduleGpuJob;            ///< A callback function to schedule a render job.  
    FfxExecuteGpuJobsFunc          fpExecuteGpuJobs;            ///< A callback function to execute all queued render jobs.  
  
    void*                          scratchBuffer;              ///< A preallocated buffer for memory utilized internally by the backend.  
    size_t                          scratchBufferSize;          ///< Size of the buffer pointed to by <c><i>scratchBuffer</i></c>.  
    FfxDevice                        device;                    ///< A backend specific device  
  
} FfxInterface;
```

# ANATOMY OF A BACKEND

- Public source
  - `ffx_<backend>.h`
- Public shaders
  - All effect glsl/hlsl callback files
  - All effect resource files
  - All effect pass files (headers)
- Private source
  - All effect shader blob accessors
  - `ffx_<backend>.cpp`
- Private shaders
  - All effect glsl/hlsl pass entry point files
- `ffx_shader_permutations_<backend>`



# FIDELITYFX SDK

- Internals – FidelityFX Shader Pre-compiler

# FIDELITYFX SHADER PRE-COMPILER

- Open-source shader blob generation tool
- Builds all permutations of provided shader sources
- Currently supports
  - HLSL compile via DXC and FXC\*
  - GLSL compile via glslang
- Copy to `sdk\tools\binary_store` with any needed dlls/libs/exes if modified

\*FXC support for DX11 backend only

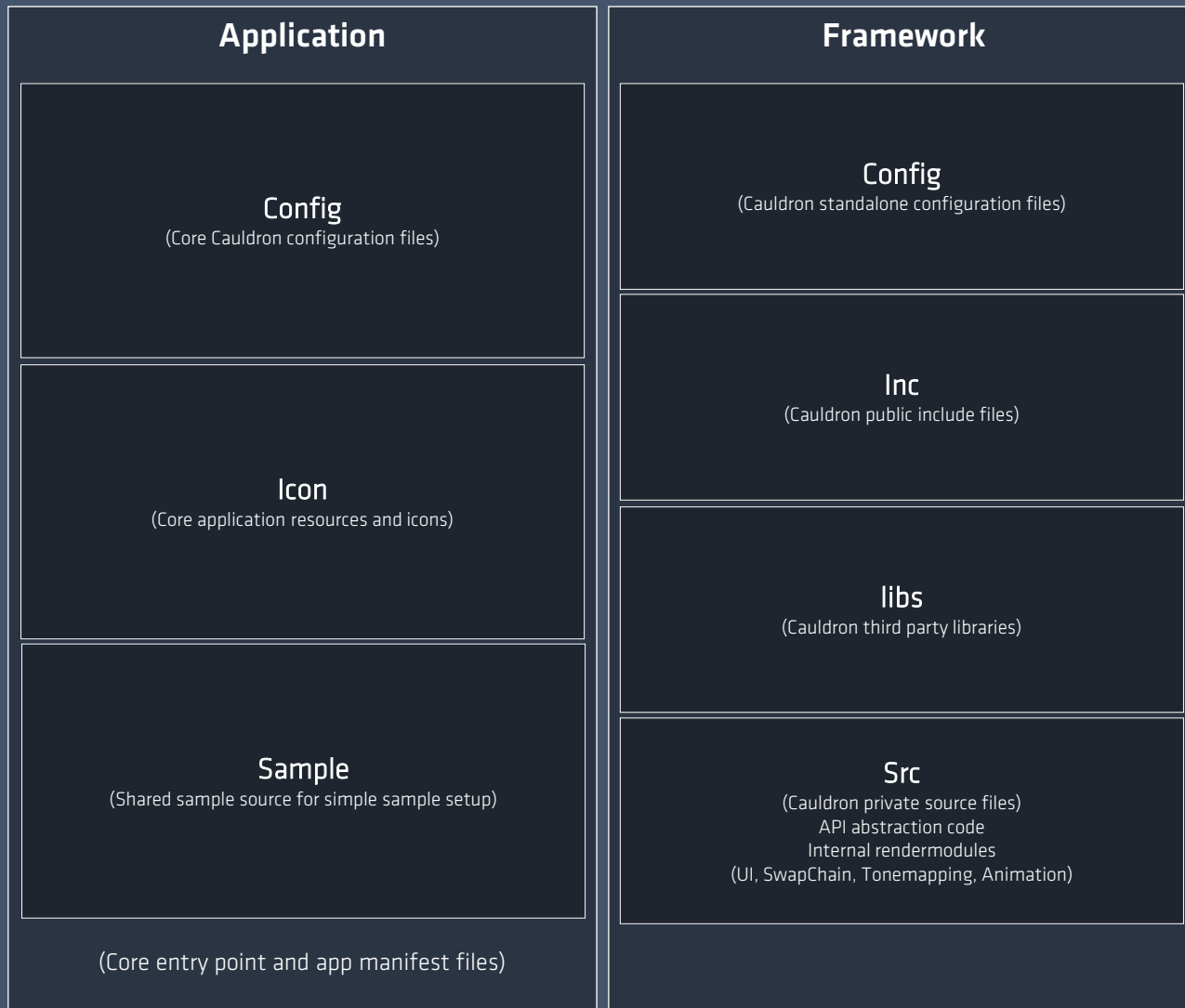


# FIDELITYFX SHADER PRE-COMPILER - EXTENDING

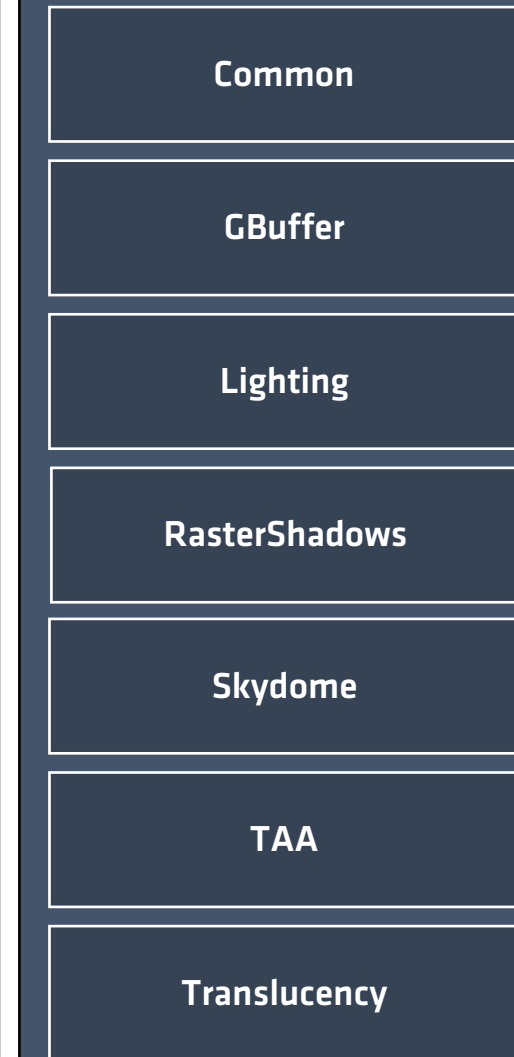
- If new language support is needed:
  - Create a new compiler which inherits from `ICompiler`
  - Define your own structs which derive from `IShaderBinary`
  - Implement all pure virtual functions
    - `Compile`
    - `ExtractReflectionData`
    - `WriteBinaryHeaderReflectionData`
    - `WritePermutationHeaderReflectionStructMembers`
    - `WritePermutationHeaderReflectionData`
  - Handle language selection in command line parsing (`ffx_sc.cpp`)

# CAULDRON 2.0

# Cauldron



# RenderModules



# Effects



# RenderModules

<Feature> folder (i.e. Skydome)

## Config

(Render module configuration file)

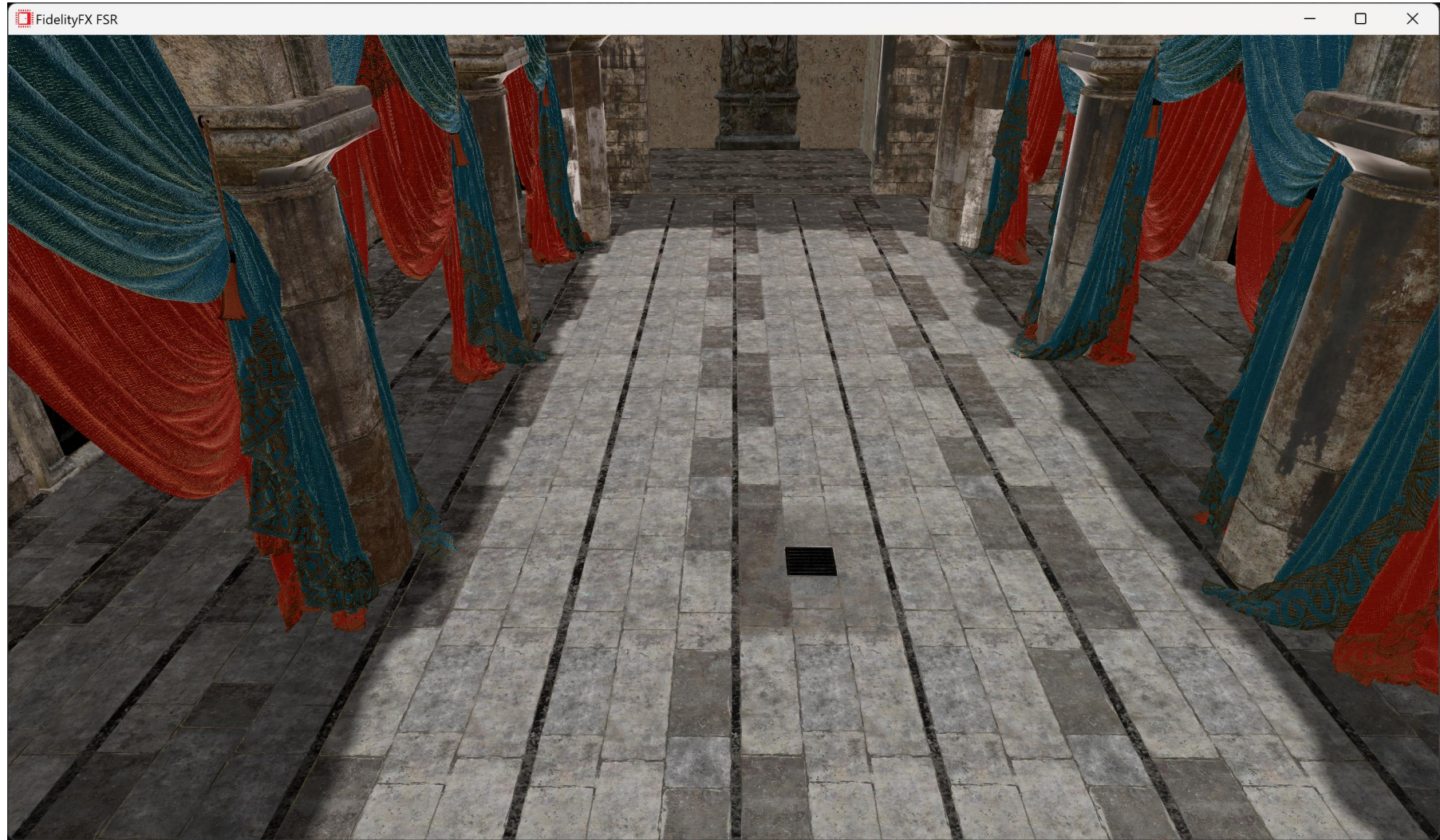
## Shaders

(Render module hlsl shader files)

## Media

(Render module <optional> dependent media files)

(Render module source files)



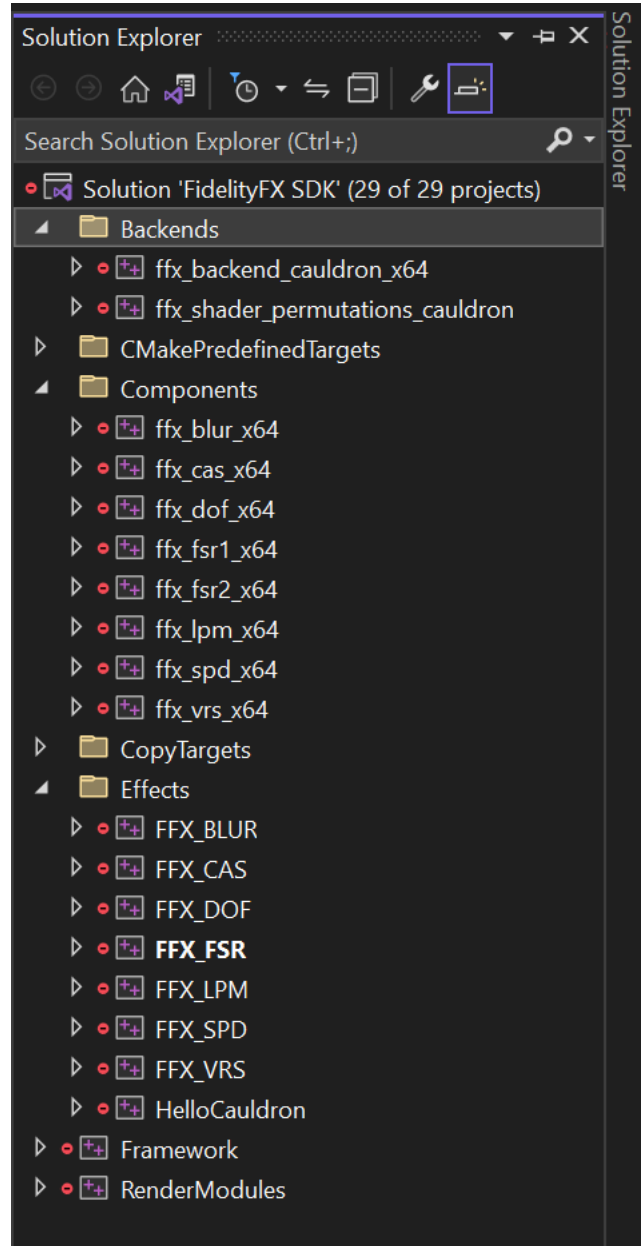
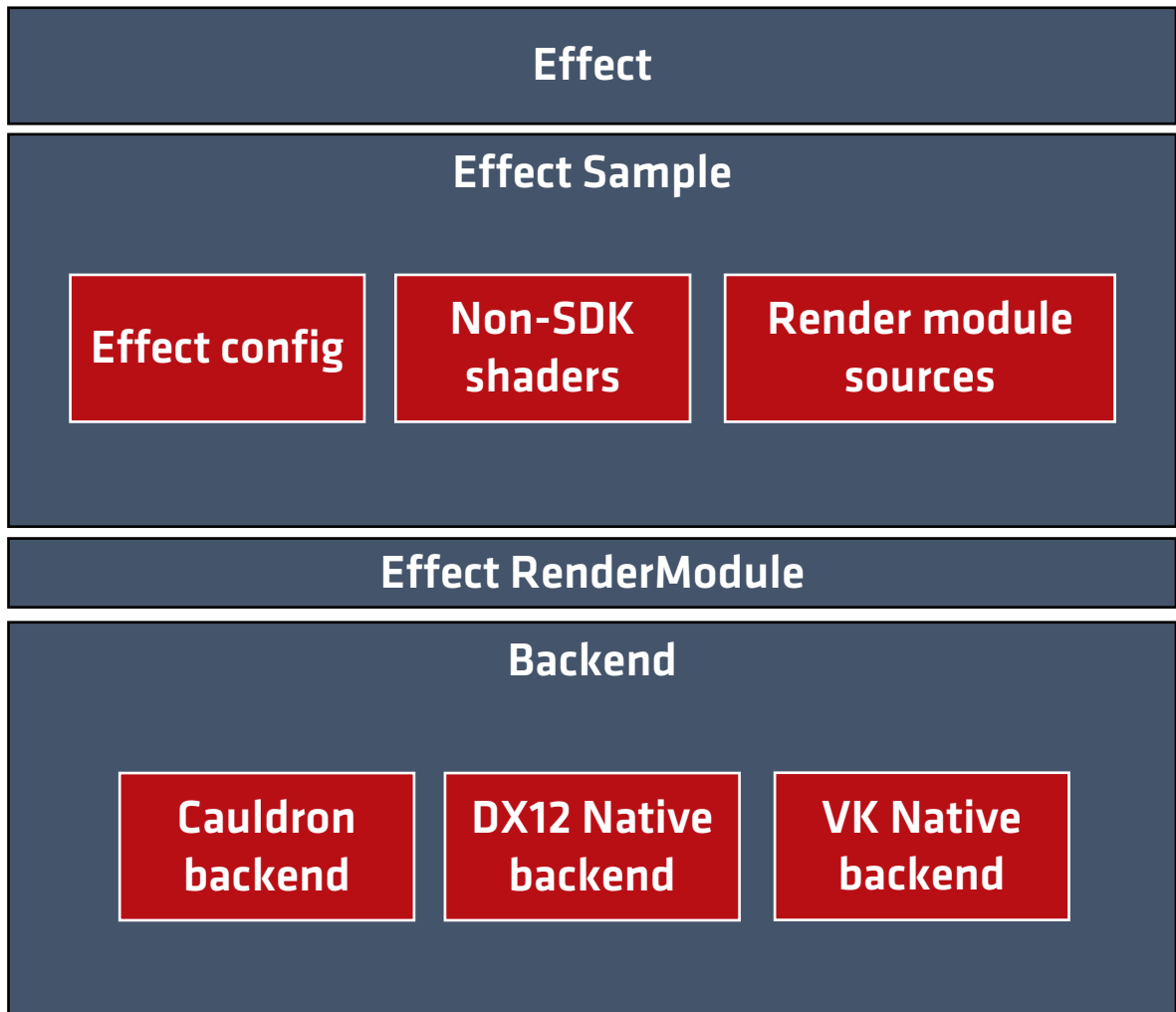
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# SDK SAMPLES









FidelityFX

Contrast Adaptive Sharpening



FidelityFX

HDR Mapper



FidelityFX

Denoiser



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Downsampler



FidelityFX Hybrid

Reflections



FidelityFX

Screen Space Reflections



FidelityFX

Super Resolution



FidelityFX

Variable Shading



FidelityFX Hybrid

Shadows



FidelityFX

Depth of Field



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Classifier



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Lens



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Ambient Occlusion



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Parallel Sort



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Super Resolution 2



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Blur

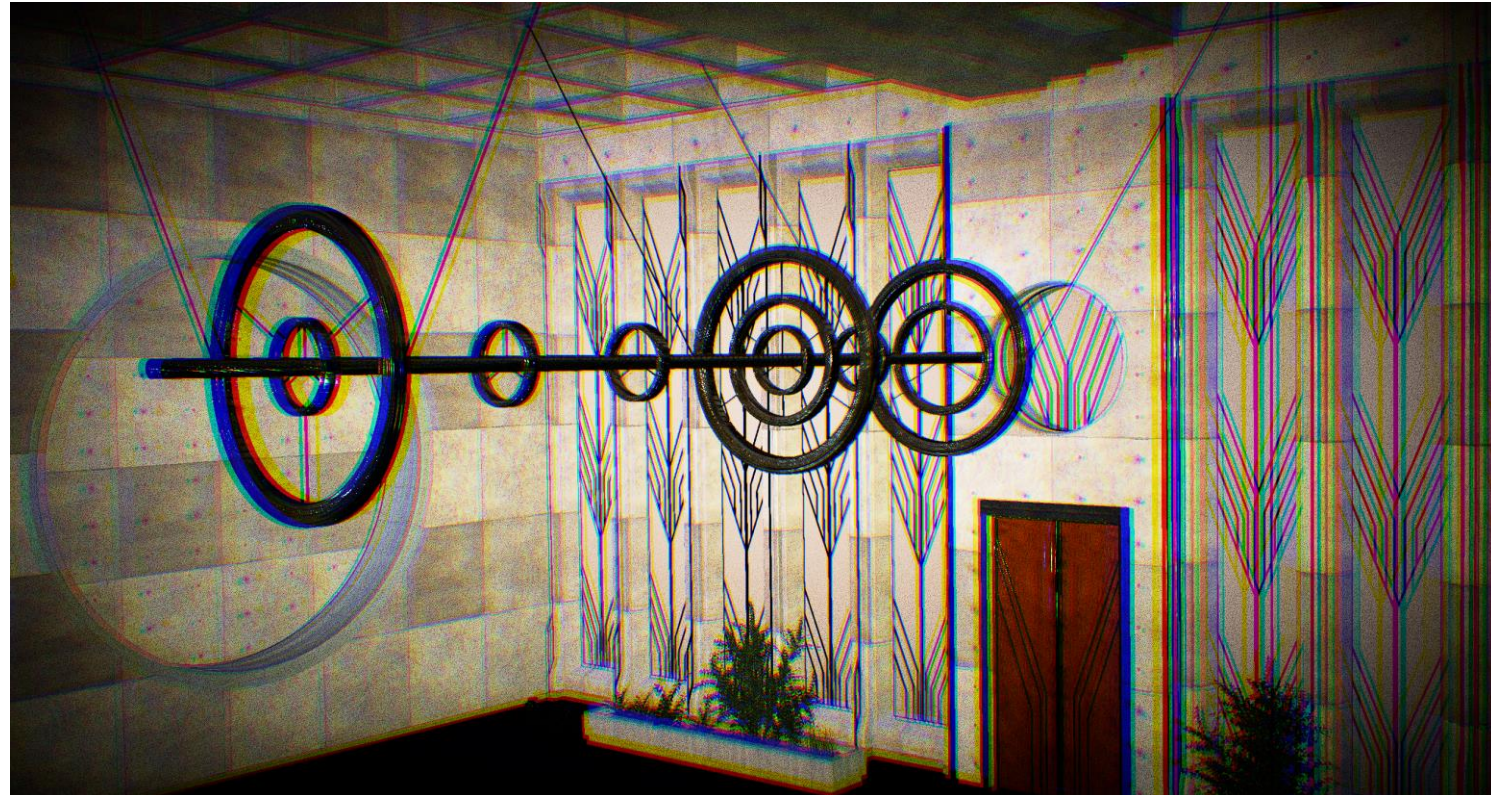
# DEPTH OF FIELD

- Physically correct DoF
- Optimized for speed
- Tile-based classification for fast path selection
- Single pass near/far blur
- Single pass filter/upsample/composition



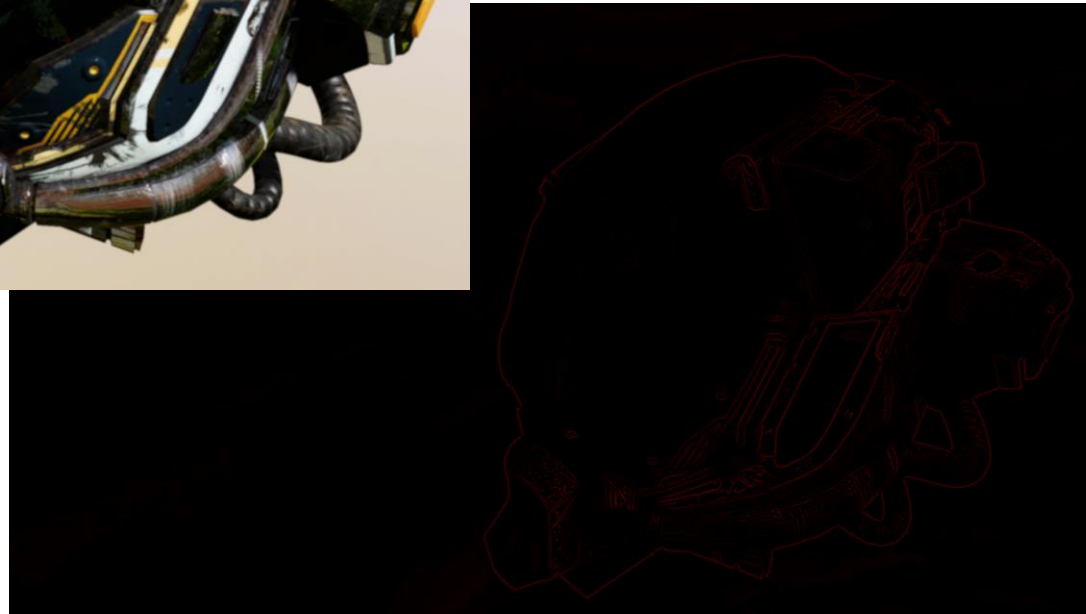
# LENS

- Highly optimized
- Support for popular game lens effects
  - Film Grain
  - Chromatic Aberration
  - Vignette





# BLUR



- Highly optimized blur kernels
  - 3x3 through 21x21
- Comparative tool for diff visualization
  - Compare traditional algorithms vs. FFX

# WRAP UP



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C99 APIs for all existing FidelityFX™ effects  
Depth of Field (New)  
Lens effects (New)  
Blur (New)  
FidelityFX™ shader pre-compiler

**1.0**  
Q2 2023

**1.1**  
Q3 2023

Xbox GDK backend  
New FidelityFX effects  
Cauldron improvements  
Scene interaction support

**1.2**  
Q4 2023

Feature improvements  
New FidelityFX effects



Full source code is available on GitHub under a genuine open source license.

Use FidelityFX™ SDK however you like.



FidelityFX™ technologies are **trusted** by some of the greatest game developers on the planet.

In fact, we're **used in over 250 games.**







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- Same great technology. Cleaned up and simplified.
- The future platform for all future FidelityFX technology.
- Three new effects and graphics building blocks.
- Optional easy-to-use C APIs for every effect.
- Modular backends that put you in control.
- Massively improved documentation.
- Great new shader compilation tool.

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