Windows Opensimulator Grid Server

DreamGrid V3.3

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After you click Start.exe, you may get a popup warning. All my binary code is digitally signed and is cryptographically verified to protect you and to assure you that the code you get is what is originally authored. It is virus-free and has no ads. It should say "Verified Publisher: Outworldz, LLC".

Click [Start] in the top right of the menu:

A DOS program "Robust" should launch. This prompt will also appear:

Please leave this screen open. Do not click OK just yet.

You need to create your "master user". This person will own the entire grid. Type the username you want at the Robust command prompt as shown below:
Enter the owner of the grid's Avatar Name and a password. Email is optional. All the other questions can be safely answered with just the ENTER key.
Press OK to the screen prompt.

Another DOS box will appear. This will be your first region. It will be named "Welcome". You can change this name later. The system will ask you for an estate name. You can just press enter to name it “My Estate”, or type in a new name.
It will then ask you for the owner's name of this region. Use the same name that you first entered in Robust.

The system will eventually tell you "INITIALIZATION COMPLETE FOR Welcome - LOGINS ENABLED"
Setup Your Viewer

Click the first item in the Help menu - Show Hypergrid address. It may print a name, or an IP address.

If it is an IP Address, your system will only run on your local area network at this time. The Hypergrid will not be available until you set up the router. See the help section at the bottom of this article on Ports and Loopback.

The system will print the address. Mine is shown below. Yours will be a different IP, or a DNS name.

Download the Firestorm viewer for Opensim. You can get it from [https://www.firestormviewer.org/](https://www.firestormviewer.org/)

Launch the viewer and go to the Viewer Preferences menu (Ctrl-P).
Go to the Opensim Grid manager screen:

Add the new name to the Firestorm or other viewers "Add new Grid" field and click "Apply".

You should now be able to select your new DreamGrid in the pulldown login screen, and log in with the same First and Last Name and password you originally entered. You should then appear in an empty sim on a small round island.

If this does not work, please use the troubleshooting link at the bottom of this help file.
**Running the Grid manually**

After the first run, you technically do not need DreamGrid at all. The batch file `Go.bat` starts a command prompt with an instance of Opensim in it (an instance is a set of sims). The batch file launches Opensim with the settings it needs for the INI files and the Log file.

See `Outworldzfiles\Mysql\bin\StartManually.bat` which will start Mysql. Also a `StopMysql.bat` in there. It's probably a good idea to run (as an Administrator) `InstallAsAService.bat` so you do not need to start/stop Mysql.

See `Outworldzfiles\Opensim\RunRobust.bat` which starts Robust

See `Outworldzfiles\Opensim\go,.bat` Starts any region by Instance (Dos Box) Name.

This is the batch file "StartManually.bat" which does them in sequence:

```plaintext
@remarkable batch file to start DreamGrid manually.
cd mysql\bin
start startmanually.bat
cd ..\..\opensim
call runrobust.bat
call go Welcome
call go AnotherRegion

add more region names here
```
Settings

You can make changes to DreamGrid in the Ctrl-S (Settings) menu.

Apache Web Server

You may optionally set up an Apache Web server with PHP7. The purpose of the Apache/PHP is to serve a detailed map, object search and other useful functions. It is optional and may be disabled. If you do not need local search or the additional maps, then you can leave Apache & PHP disabled.

If your system tells you the msvcr100.dll is missing, install both the 64 bit and 32-bit update by clicking the Install C++ Runtime, or get them from his link: https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=30679

The checkbox for Enable Apache Web server must be enabled for the maps, web server, and local search to work.
When enabled a map will appear at your URL on port 80. You can hover on any square and see its size, location, name and other details.

**Apache As a Service**

If Unchecked and enabled, the system will run Apache as a DOS box. You will see several new DOS boxes appear. These Boxes are for the server and its log system. They will be shut down when your grid is stopped. Your grid is then completely portable.

If checked and enabled the system will install “Apache HTTP Server” as a running service when you first click [Start] to bring up your regions in your grid. You can verify this by typing in Windows Search "services.msc". You should get the Services menu:
Double Click **ApacheHTTPServer** to get to the Properties:

You can select Recovery and change the three pulldowns as shown to "Restart the Service", for a more reliable system.
Apache will then start when your PC is booted, or if the service crashes. No DOS boxes will appear. The advantage is less clutter and 24-hour operation of the web server. But if you run from another folder, the server will still attempt to from the original folder. You must stop the Apache Service and remove Apache before starting any copy in another folder. This can be done by opening this Setting page and unchecking the Apache As a Service box.

**Remove Apache as a Service:**

Type this in Search:

**cmd (do not press enter)**

Right click the Command Prompt App and select "Run as Administrator".

Now type this in the command prompt:

```
sc delete ApacheHTTPServer<enter>
```

Change to the folder for Outworldzfile\Apache\bin.
Type this in the same admin-level prompt.

```
httpd -k install<enter>
net start ApacheHTTPServer<enter>
```

That should get it all going again.
**Web Port**

Web Port defaults to 80. If your ISP blocks port 80, use 8000 or another port. As a general rule, you can use any port greater than 1024 and less than 40,000 as long as it is not already in use. You will need to Port Forward your router to whatever port you choose for external users to see your web server.

**Search**

If enabled, any regions or prims marked in the viewer for Show In Search will be registered and indexed by the [https://www.outworldz.com](https://www.outworldz.com) server, and is thus available for anyone to look at. Turning off your system will remove it from search, as will unchecking this box.

**Search Local Grid**

This will set the viewer’s search to the Data Snapshot for prims, objects, regions for sale, and classified ads for just your grid. Events will come from all grids, no matter what this switch is set for.

Search All Grids If set to Search All Grids, the data is registered and collected/crawled by the [https://www.hyperica.com](https://www.hyperica.com) server and is thus available for anyone to look at. They have to have the same switch set to search. To disable this, either use Search Local Grid or do not mark prims or regions for “Show in Search” in your viewer.

**Search for Objects**

This viewer screen lets you search for objects marked as “Show In Search”. There is a search button ‘magnifying glass’ at lower left to refine your search. You can select 100, 250, or 500 rows to be returned. You can sort by any column header by clicking the title.
**Places search**

Any parcel marked as “Show in Search” can be located in this viewer screen.
Land Sales

Parcels marked for sale and “Show in Search” can be located in this screen:

Events

Events will come from all grids, no matter what this switch is set for.
**Backup - AutoBackup**

if enabled, Autobackup module periodically saves all regions as OAR files.

If Auto Backup is enabled, Opensim will make an OAR backup of each region after each region has run for **Interval** time. The files will appear in the Outworldzfiles\Autobackup folder.

**Keep for Days** will delete any OAR older than this period of time.

**Save To Folder:** You can click on “Autobackup” folder name, or the folder Icon, and set a different location.

Links:

[http://opensimulator.org/wiki/Load_Oar_0.9.0%2B](http://opensimulator.org/wiki/Load_Oar_0.9.0%2B)
Backup - Manual Backups

I strongly recommend you do a manual backup before updating. A manual backup uses a lot of disk space, but it backs up all critical files quickly and in a usable form. It will save the selected items in the AUTOBACKUP folder.

Region INI files
All files from Opensim\bin\Regions are copied. The useful ones are in the bin\Region\(DosBoxName)\Region\folder

MySQL Data folder
This is the database. The rest of the folders in MySQL are just code or changeable settings that come in an update.
**FSAssets Folder**
If you are running the FSAssets system, this contains just the assets of the database. You still need to backup MySQL.

**Custom Web Pages**
This backs up two folders in bin\WifiPages-Custom and WifiPages-Custom in case you have made changes.

**Settings**
This copies the Settings.ini. All settings come from this file.
**Bird Module**

The bird module makes flocks of birds possible.

You will need a bird. There is a button at the top of the Setup Page that asks you for your Avatar Name and password. It will load a pair of Seagulls into your inventory.

You should log in and rez "SeaGull1" on the ground in one or more of your regions.

You will need to enable the bird module in each region's control panel.
There are many settings for the Bird Module. You can use the defaults. You must also click Enable and reboot the grid. Birds must also be enabled in each Region. See each Region’s edit screen for the checkbox.

- **Enable Bird Module**: Determines whether the module does anything.
- **BirdsFlockSize = 50**: The number of birds to flock
- **BirdsMaxFlockSize = 100**: The maximum flock size that can be created (keeps things sane)
- **BirdsMaxSpeed = 3**: How far each bird can travel per update. An update is 11 FPS
- **BirdsMaxForce = 0.25**: The maximum acceleration allowed to the current velocity of the bird
- **BirdsNeighbourDistance = 25**: Max distance for other birds to be considered in the same flock as others
• BirdsTolerance = 5: How close to the edges of things can we get without being worried
• BirdsBorderSize = 5: How close to the edge of a region can we get?
• BirdsMaxHeight = 25: How high are we allowed to flock
• BirdsUpdateEveryNFrames = 1: Update bird positions every N simulator frames
• BirdsPrim = SeaGull1: By default the module will create a flock of plain wooden spheres, however this can be overridden to the name of an existing prim that needs to already exist in the scene - i.e. be rezzed in the region.

The following commands can be issued on the Console or via in-world chat or scripted chat on the Chat Channel to control the birds at runtime:

• birds-stop or /118 stop
  stop all birds flocking
• birds-start or /118 start
  start all birds flocking
• birds-enable or /118 enable
  enable the flocking simulation if disabled and rez new birds
• birds-disable or /118 disable
  stop all birds and remove them from the scene
• birds-prim <name> or /118 prim <name> changes the name of the bird prim that it loads
• framerate <num>
  only update the flock positions every frames, only really useful for photography and debugging bird behavior.

These commands are great for playing with the flock dynamics in real time:

• birds-size or /118 size
  change the size of the flock
• birds-speed or /118 speed
  change the maximum velocity each bird may achieve
• birds-force or /118 force
  change the maximum force each bird may accelerate
• birds-distance or /118 distance
  change the maximum distance that other birds are to be considered in the same flock as us
• birds-separation or /118 separation
  sets how far away from other birds we would like to stay
• birds-tolerance or /118 tolerance
  sets how close to the edges of things can we get without being worried. If distance is less than separation then the birds will never flock. The other way around and they will always eventually form one or more flocks.

**Security**

By default anyone can send commands to the module from within a script or via the in-world chat on the 'BirdsChatChannel' channel. You should use a high negative value for this channel if you want to allow script access, but not in-world chat.

**Bird Prims**

Any currently rezzed in-scene-object can be used as the bird prim. However fps is very much affected by the complexity of the entity to use. It is easier to throw a single prim (or sculpy) around the scene than it is to throw the constituent parts of a 200 linked prim dragon.

Tests show that <= 500 single prims can be flocked effectively - depending on system and network. However maybe <= 300 simple linksets can perform as well.

**Network Traffic**

I tested the amount of network traffic generated by bird updates. 20 birds (each with 4 linked prims) takes up about 300kbps in network position updates. 50 of the same birds generates about 750kbps traffic. Each bird uses roughly 15kbps of network traffic. This is all measured using an update framerate of 1, i.e. birds' position is updated every simulator frame.
Statistics

The stats command in-world or via script returns data to BirdsChatChannel. The console command returns stats to the console. All the modules parameters are returned including a list of the active bird prims currently rezzed in the region, and the UUIDs of those prims' root prim. Also included is a list of any avatar UUIDs that may be sitting on those prims.

Here is an example output:

```
birds-started = False
birds-enabled = True
birds-prim = SeaGull1
birds-framerate = 1
birds-maxsize = 100
birds-size = 20
birds-speed = 1.5
birds-force = 0.2
birds-distance = 25
birds-separation = 10
birds-tolerance = 5
birds-border = 5

birds-prim0 = OpenSimBirds0 : 01abef79-7fb2-4c8d-831e-62ce1ce878f1 :
birds-prim1 = OpenSimBirds1 : af85996d-af4d-4dda-bc89-721c51e09d0c :
birds-prim2 = OpenSimBirds2 : ca766390-1877-4b19-a29e-4590cf40aece :
```

In the above example, there is one avatar sitting on bird-prim18. For more than one avatar the UUID list will be separated by spaces.

Links

https://github.com/JakDaniels/OpenSimBirds
Cache Deletion

Opensimulator has many caches of data to improve performance. You may optionally clear these caches. The system will refresh them on the next startup. This will slow your system down on the next boot as it must re-fetch all assets the next time it starts. Opensim must be stopped to clear script and bake caches.

![Cache Control](image)

**Script cache:** Clearing the script cache is only necessary after a update to Opensim binaries. Dreamgrid will not delete the “.STATE” files so your virtual pets will not die.

**Avatars bakes cache:** this folder holds the various baked skin layers.

**Asset cache:** holds the assets (mesh, prims, textures) and is typically exceptionally large. It automatically flushes itself every 48 hours.

**Image cache:** holds the images and is typically exceptionally large.

**Mesh cache:** holds the mesh bits and is typically not large.

**Viewer Cache settings** Default: Enabled. Users may need to reduce viewer bandwidth if some prims or terrain parts fail to rez. Change to false if you need to use old viewers that do not support this feature.
Flotsam Cache Settings

OpenSimulator has an asset cache that stores the assets retrieved from an asset service. This reduces the load on a possibly remote asset service and improves OpenSimulator responsiveness.

The Flotsam asset cache stores assets on disk and in memory. At the moment, the amount of memory or filesystem storage used by the cache can only be limited via manual actions (wiping all or part of cached assets from the filesystem), by console commands (e.g. "fcache clear") or by timeout settings (e.g. FileCacheTimeout = 1 to automatically remove cache files not accessed for 1 hours).

General principles

When OpenSimulator requires an asset (e.g. in response to a viewer request for a notecard), then it first asks the cache for this data. If the data is not found in the cache, then it asks the grid asset service (or possibly a foreign asset service in the case of Hypergrid). If the asset is found, then it is both stored in the cache and returned to the user. If an asset is uploaded to OpenSimulator (e.g. by the viewer uploading an animation), then the asset is immediately both kept in cache (if there is room and the asset is not temporary) and sent to the asset service (if the asset is not temporary).

Therefore, at any point you can wipe any temporary data stored by the asset cache (e.g. on the filesystem), since the next request for that asset will simply query the asset service as the asset will not be found in cache.
Database Settings

Did MySQL crash? See section **MySQL Crashes**.

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**Do not change any of these settings without knowing what you are doing!**

Any change here must match complicated hand-made changes in MySQL! See the bottom of this help section for more details.

There are two databases in Dreamgrid: Robust is the login and inventory database. Each region also uses a separate Opensim database for storing what is in region.

Database root password is blank. This is safe as it only listens on localhost, which is your server.
**Robust Database:**

- **Robust Server:** should always be 127.0.0.1. This is the Server that runs Robust (itself). It can be the IP address of a different server running MySQL.
  Default: **127.0.0.1**

- **Robust name:** The name of the Robust database.
  Default: *robust*

- **User Name:** The login name 'robustuser'@localhost'.
  Default: *robustuser*

- **Password:** The password for Robust.
  Default: *robustpassword*

- **MySQL Port:** The TCP/IP port that both databases use.
  Default = 3306

**FSAssets**

You can select the FSAssets button to set up a File System As Assets Database. This is recommended only for large grids, with hundreds of Gigabyte sized databases.

**Local Region Database:**

- **DB name:** The name of the region database.
  default: *opensim*

- **UserName:** The login name 'opensimuser'@localhost'.
  default: *opensimuser*

- **Password:** The password for opensim region database.
  default = *opensimpassword*

- **MySQL Port:** The TCP/IP port that both databases use.
  Default = 3309 to not interfere with the normal Mysql Port of 3306
If you want to alter the username and password to either database, you must use the MySQL.exe program in a DOS box.

cd Outworldzfiles\mysql\bin
mysql -u root
use opensim;
create user 'anewopensimuser'@'localhost' identified by 'opensimpassword';
grant all on opensim.* to 'anewopensimuser'@'localhost';
use robust;
create user 'anewrobustuser'@'localhost' identified by 'robustpassword';
grant all on robust.* to 'anewrobustuser'@'localhost';
quit;

**Clear Region List**

Clicking this button will delete all registered regions in your database. They will be restored next time you start Opensim. A registered region will appear online, even if disabled or powered off.

**Running MySQL as a Service**

Dreamgrid will detect any running Mysql using the same port. You can install Mysql as a Windows service. There is a batch file *InstallAsAService.bat* in mysql\bin to set this up. Mysql will then start and stop safely with Windows. This batch file must be run once, as an Administrator. You type "CMD" in the search box, and then right click the Command Prompt and select "Run as Administrator".
Use that DOS box to run **InstallAsAService.bat**. Then type in 'Services.msc', and use it to start MySQL, or type in 'net start Mysql'<enter>. You can verify MySQL is running by typing 'mysql -u root<enter>'. If you get a mysql prompt, it is running as a service. Then type quit; with the semicolon, and enter.

You should also set the service to restart so MySQL restarts on any crash. Windows knows about services and will send signals to MySQL to shut itself off gracefully. The only danger is that power fails and you corrupt the database. If you are serious about running a grid, then a UPS is necessary.

**MySQL Crashes:**

Your MySQL database may be crashed. Here is a way to recover and start MySQL manually.

Navigate to the **Outworldzfiles\mysql\bin** folder.

Then double-click "StartManually.bat"

Any error message it prints may be helpful. If the DOS window closes, a MySQL LOG file will be saved in OutworldzFiles\mysql\data as a *.err file. That may give you a clue as to what to do.

**My database still did not start!**

Try running **Outworldzfiles\mysql\bin\Repair_ISAM.bat**. Then double-click "StartManually.bat". The DOS window that appears should ‘stick’ open.

Run Task manager by typing Ctrl-Shift-ESC.

Look for **mysqld.exe**. Wait for the CPU usage to go to 0 on mysqld.exe. This may take a long time as MySQL is rebuilding the database. It could take an hour or more, depending upon the size and your disk and CPU speed.

Double click **CheckandRepair.bat** to run diagnostics.

If errors appear, answer any questions with a ‘Y’. This will take a long time as MySQL is repairing the database.
Once the Check and Repair is finished, type in ‘StopDatabase<enter>’

The DOS box that first appeared should now close. Your database has been recovered and it is safe to start Dreamgrid.

If you still have issues, delete the file Mysql\Data\ib_logfile0 and ib_logfile1. Do not delete ibdata1! Then repeat the above sequence.

Starting Over with a Blank Database

You can wipe ALL data out. If you do this, you must re-enter all accounts and recreate your system from OAR and IAR files. This WILL LOSE ALL DATA. I recommend you make a backup of the Mysql\Data folder first.

I have not yet ‘lost’ a database, and I have seen dozens of them crash in oddball ways. Please contact me at fred@outworldz.com if you have questions or need more help in recovering a database. The largest was 70 Gigabytes which took four days just to get a copy sent to me. It was fixed in a few hours. The problem was to a single bad character in a UUID. So please do not delete it unless you really, really want to start over!

If you MUST wipe out the database and start over, delete the folder Mysql\data. Then extract the contents of the file Blank-Mysql-Data-folder.zip to make a new Mysql\Data folder.

This will make it start over at the very beginning. The database should start up now. You must go to Robust, type create user<enter>’, and re-enter your Avatar name and password. You can then re-enter your estate information in each DOS box for Each region.

You can also restore the database if you have a .SQL backup. Or use OARs and IARs.
**Server Type**

![Server Type Menu]

**Grid Server With Robust**

A grid server is modeled after the World Wide Web, with independent domains. Content is spread across small, independent and on large domains, independently, yet interlinks.

Robust is the service that lets hypergrid users enter each world. A Grid Server can also support regions locally.

A grid server can host as many Region servers as its memory and CPU capacity allows.

**Region Server**

A Region server uses a separate Dreamgrid Robust Grid Server for all assets and login services. Only regions and their content are stored locally. The grid server may be located on the same LAN, or on another WAN.
A Region Server always uses the same Domain Name and port as the Hosting server.

In cases where the Grid server is on a different WAN IP address, you must also enter the Region Servers IP address or domain name in the Region Ports setting:

**OsGrid Region Server**

The OsGrid region server is a preconfigured region server already set up to connect to OsGrid.

**Hypergrid.org Region Server**

The Hypergrid.org region server is a preconfigured region server already set up to connect to Hypergrid.org.

**Diva 'Wifi' Management Web Page**
The Management Web page can be reached at http://127.0.0.1:8002 if the checkbox is enabled and Robust is running. For other users, it will be http://YourDomainName:8002, where YourDomainName is your Public, Internet-facing IP or DNS name.

The features of Wifi are:

- Account creation, optionally controlled by the administrator
- Configurable default avatars for new accounts
- Account updates by both users and administrator
- Account deletion by administrator
- Password recovery via email
- Simple user inventory management

You can change many of the parameters of Wifi in this panel:
There are several sections that can be modified:

- **Wifi Admin account**: A super-user that administers the system
- **Splash Screen**: Things that affect the page that shows to new users
- **SMTP Email**: Settings to send email for things like password changes

## Wifi Admin account

The system automatically makes several accounts the first time it is booted. Once of these is "Wifi Admin'. This user has special rights in the web panel. It can administer all other accounts, delete them, and approve them.

A random password is chosen at startup. You may change it. Since the Hypergrid exposes this login page to the Internet, please choose a strong password.

You **must already have a user with levels set to 200 or higher** in order to change the name from Wifi Admin. You can add another user and set it to that elevated level too.
**Confirmation Required to Log In:**

Wifi can create new accounts in two manners: uncontrolled and controlled. If you choose to have controlled account creation, every time someone creates an account, the Wifi Admin account will receive an email notifying of such an event (make sure you have the Wifi Admin’s email address properly set).

You should then login to Wifi as administrator, and choose USER MANAGEMENT. You will be presented with a list of all pending accounts, which you can then approve or delete.

If you choose to have uncontrolled account creation, then anyone can create an account in your world without going through your approval.
**Splash Screen**

**Themes:**
There are three possible theme colors, Black on White, White on Black, and Custom. The default theme is Black, or the selected theme will be copied by Dreamgrid into the real WifiPages folder on startup.

**Customizing your theme**

You can change the theme with this switch to one of several sets of folders:

White theme consists of two folders:

- Outworldzfiles\Opensim\WifiPages-White
- Outworldzfiles\Opensim\bin\WifiPages-White

Black theme consists of two folders:

- Outworldzfiles\Opensim\WifiPages-Black
- Outworldzfiles\Opensim\bin\WifiPages-Black

**Custom Theme**

If you want to make modifications, please use a custom theme. Otherwise your changes to the -Black, -White or WifiPages folders will get written over in an update.
First copy both the two Black or the two White folders to the WifiPages-Custom folder next to them. Each set of files goes in these places:

- Opensim/WifiPages-Custom
- Opensim/bin/WifiPages-Custom

The updater will never overwrite these custom pages. If you make changes to the custom pages, they will be set into the Wifi page on startup.

**Friendly Name**

The friendly name appears on the login screen at the top. It is broadcast to viewers as the grid name in the grid Selector Pulldown. If you change this, you must delete and re-add the grid to the viewer.
Changing the HTML

Diva Canto uses some advanced, Opensim-specific code in her Diva pages.

The site starts from Opensim\bin\WifiPages\index.html.

**#includes** There are several include directives that bring in the rest of the web site. Diva uses a series of <!--#include file=header.html --> statements to bring in files from the other folder set in Opensim\WifiPages. Includes in those files then bring in more and more of the web pages from Opensim\Bin\Wifipages.

**#get** There are several statements that are replaced by server data:

- **Users in World:** <!-- #get var=UsersInworld -->
- **Regions:** <!-- #get var=RegionsTotal -->
- **Total Users:** <!-- #get var=UsersTotal -->
- **Active Users last:** <!-- #get var=UsersActivePeriod --> days
- **Active Users:** <!-- #get var=UsersActive -->

Everyone wants to change the image:

For the **BLACK** theme, do the following:

Copy the folder \OutworldzFiles\Opensim\bin\WifiPages-Black to \OutworldzFiles\Opensim\bin\WifiPages-Custom

Copy the folder \OutworldzFiles\Opensim\WifiPages-Black to \OutworldzFiles\Opensim\WifiPages-Custom

Save the image as a JPG file in \OutworldzFiles\Opensim\bin\WifiPages-Custom\images\orange-planets-background.jpg

Go to Settings->Web Control Panel. Click the box and change it from Black to Custom. This will copy the files from -Custom to the working folder, bin/WifiPages.

Navigate to [http://127.0.0.1:8002](http://127.0.0.1:8002). You should see your new image.

For the **WHITE** theme, do the following:

The new image goes in \bin\WifiPages-Custom\images\header.png. You must first make the folder
Copy the folder `\OutworldzFiles\Opensim\bin\WifiPages-White` to
`\OutworldzFiles\Opensim\bin\WifiPages-Custom`
Copy the folder `\OutworldzFiles\Opensim\WifiPages-White` to
`\OutworldzFiles\Opensim\WifiPages-Custom`

Then click the Theme setting for **White**. This will copy the files from custom to the
WifiPages folder.

Navigate to [http://127.0.0.1:8002](http://127.0.0.1:8002). You should see your new image.
**FSAssets Settings**

FSAssets is intended for larger grids where the size of the database is expected to exceed 50GB. This option will save the assets to the file system as opposed to the default service which stores assets as blobs in the database. This option also provides deduplication abilities. Each asset is hashed when it is received for storage. If the asset already exists, the asset service will link to the existing file rather than store two copies.

**IMPORTANT:** This is a major change in database structure. If you already have a MySQL database running with a lot of assets, this will help speed it up, but it will cost a lot of disk space. **Once you switch to FSAssets, you cannot go back to just MySQL without losing data entered since the switch.**

![File System Assets Settings](image)

**Data Folder**

This is the folder in which the asset data will be saved. Default = `./fsassets/data`

**SpoolDirectory Folder**

The spool directory is a folder used for temporary storage while the asset is hashed and compressed before it gets moved to the **BaseDirectory** Folder.
This must be on the same file system as the base directory. Default = ./fsassets/tmp

**Migration**

FSAssets will use the MySQL database to collect the original data. This will not automatically convert all the old assets to the new service. To convert all assets from the default service there is a Robust console command provided:

```
import <conn> <table> [<start> <count>]
```

The import command expects a database connection string and the name of the legacy asset table to be passed as parameters. The following example shows how to start the import process for a MySQL database. Change the connection details to match your database schema, username, and password, or use the DreamGrid default shown here, and copy and paste this into your Robust console:

```
import "Data Source=localhost;Port=3306;Database=robust;UserID=robustuser;Password=robustpassword;OldGuids=true;" assets
```

Depending on the size of your existing assets table, the import process will take some time to complete. The optional parameters, start and count allow you to specify the position and number of rows to convert.

The command and result will look like this:

```
R.O.B.U.S.T.# import "Data Source=localhost;Port=3306;Database=robust;UserID=robustuser;Password=databasespassword;OldGuids=true;" assets
Reading data
0 assets imported so far
100 assets imported so far
200 assets imported so far
Import done, 274 assets imported
```
Hypergrid and Domain Name Setup

Hypergrid requires a DNS name or a Public IP be entered here. You can register your own domain, or use your router's public IP, or use the Outworldz system's free Dynamic DNS system (DYN DNS).

DYN DNS name

For a Free Dynamic DNS name, use "somename.outworldz.net". Choose a simple name and add ".outworldz.net". For domain names, the letters, and numbers a-z and 0-9 and a dash (-) are the only allowed characters.

Do not add anything else other than a name and ".outworldz.net".

IP addresses may be used. If blank, the PC's LAN address will be used. Hypergrid will not be available, but other LAN PC's will be able to connect. This is ideal for schools and other types of private work grids.

Running on the LAN only

When there is no network connection, such as when travelling, use localhost, or 127.0.0.1. These allow only the viewer on the server to connect.
**DynDNS Password:** This is a random number that may be used to keep your DNS Name from being used by others. It is first come, first served. Your password must be copied from one installation to another to use the same DYN DNS name. If you need help with this, or wish to delete your DNS name, please email me at fred@outworldz.net.

**Enable Hypergrid:** If unchecked, the Hypergrid will not be available. The grid will be only a Private Grid, with access possible only by logging into the grid directly.

**Enable My Suitcase:** If checked, Hypergrid travel uses a viewer suitcase. The purpose of the Suitcase is to prevent a foreign "rogue" grid from stealing your inventory while you are visiting. However, any items in your suitcase are exposed to other grids. You can only rez or give items in other grids that are already in your suitcase.

The My Suitcase folder is special: it is the folder tree that receives objects you collect while you are visiting other grids. But now it is even more special: it is the only folder tree that is accessible to you (and therefore to the rest of the Internet) while you are traveling. Period.

If you disable the suitcase by unchecking this box, as OsGrid does, you will be able to rez and give items while on other grids from anywhere in your inventory. Items you take or are given will still end up in your suitcase.

**Next Name:** to use the free Outworldz Dynamic DNS, click "Next Name" to get a name. The Dreamgrid Dynamic DNS system will automatically register your PC's ever-changing IP address and keep your sim running.

**Test DNS:** Will register the DNS name and check that it is resolvable. The result should be the Public IP address of your router.
Troubleshooting Networking

1) Go back to running locally. Set the DNS name or IP to 127.0.0.1 and press Save.

Start the grid up.

2) Now that the grid is running, use http://www.canyouseeme.org on port 8002 to verify your router has ports forwarded. If not, work on the router/firewalls so you can see the Opensim Robust service on 8002.

3) Try to get to that same IP address plus :8002 in a web browser from the server. My IP was 24.173.0.66, so I would try http://24.173.0.66:8002

If you get no web page, your router does not support loopback.

4) Add the Windows Device driver for loopback. Use the exact same IP address that http://www.canyouseeme.org reported.
This is what mine looks like:

![Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4) Properties](image)

1. Click Start, then type cmd in the search box.
2. In the command prompt, type hdwwiz.exe and press Enter.
3. Click Next.
4. Select Install the hardware that I manually select from a list (Advanced), then click Next.
5. Select Network adapters, then click Next.
6. Select Microsoft as the manufacturer, select Microsoft KM-TEST Loopback Adapter as the adapter for Windows 10, then click Next.
7. Select Next to confirm the installation.
9. Select Finish to complete the installation.

To configure the newly created adapter:

1. Click Start > Control Panel > Network Connections.
2. Select the newly created connection (named Local Area Connection #, where # is its order number).
4. Right-click on the selected connection and choose Properties from the menu.
4. Confirm that Microsoft Loopback Adapter or Microsoft Loopback Adapter # is displayed in the Connect Using: field.
5. If it is not, return to step 2 and retry properties for another adapter.
7. Select Internet Protocol IPV4 and click Properties to open Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)
Properties.
8. Select Use the following IP address. Fill in the IP address and Subnet mask fields.

Example: 10.10.10.10, 255.255.255.0 <== But use the IP address shown by
http://www.canyouseeme.org

9. Click OK to close the Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) Properties.
10. Click OK to close the connection properties.
11. **Right click the Microsoft Driver and rename it to just "Loopback".**
    DreamGrid will automatically update the driver if your Public IP changes.
12. You should be able to reach your grid at the IP Address:8002 now. If so, you
can now go back to the HyperGrid Setting and choose a DNS name.

links:
http://www.canyouseeme.org
**Outworldz Icecast Server**

Outworldz Dreamgrid contain a free Icecast server. You can use this to broadcast voice and music to any radio, web page, Opensim, Second Life, or your own grid.

![IceCast Interface](image)

- **Enable**: Starts an Icecast Server when Start is clicked.
- **Show Status**: Displays in the window the server's status.
- **Port1 & Port 2**: Default is 8080 and 8081. Both ports must be Port Forwarded in your router from the Internet so users can hear the music.
- **Admin Password**: Enter a strong password for control of your Shoutcast server. This Password protects a web page, so choose a good one.
- **Password**: This password is used to stream music to your server. You give it and the stream mount point out to applications and musicians who can stream music using your server.
- **Admin Web Page**: Click this button when Icecast is running to get to the control panel web page.

**How to Broadcast Music:**

To streaming your own radio, you need a program to play music and send it to your stream.

I use Winamp. You can also use Mixxx, or any third-party streamer. Instructions for both follow.

**WINAMP**

You can use many different music or microphone players to stream music to your system. These instructions are for the popular Winamp player.

First, [download](#) and install Winamp.
Then download and install the Shoutcast DSP.

Run Winamp. You should see a screen like this:

![Winamp Interface]

Navigate to the Options -> Preferences screen.

![Winamp Preferences Window]
Scroll to the DSP/Effect section on the left side:
Double click the Shoutcast DSP on the right side to get the DSP setup screen.

Server Address: Enter 'localhost' for the Server Address. If you wish to run Winamp on a different machine, use the Server LAN address.

Password: Choose the same password as you used in the DreamGrid's password field (not the Admin password).

Port: Also enter the same port you used in the Dreamgrid setup screen. The default is 8000. If you want others to hear this stream from outside your network, remember to either forward the port or enable the UPNP setting and restart your server.

You can configure more of the screens, but they are not required.
Click [Auto Connect] and make certain you see it connect to your Shoutcast server.
Shoutcast Control Panel

Click the Shoutcast [Control, View and Listen] Button to view your Shoutcast web page.

It should open a web page that looks like this when there is no stream playing.

Go find some music in Winamp and press "Play".

The screen should now change to show it is up

Setting up your in-world radio
You can use any radio script to set your radio onto the land. An effortless way is to navigate to the About Land tab and enter the URL into the Sound Tab. For more information see [http://wiki.phoenixviewer.com/land_audio_tab](http://wiki.phoenixviewer.com/land_audio_tab)

Now enable the media to play in your viewers Sound & Media tab.
For more details, please see [http://wiki.phoenixviewer.com/land_audio_tab](http://wiki.phoenixviewer.com/land_audio_tab)

**MIXXX**

Download and install Mixxx from [https://www.mixxx.org/](https://www.mixxx.org/). This is what the screen looks like.

Special instructions for MP3 files:

To enable MP3 streaming on Windows, you must follow these instructions:

First, download the lame library from [http://www.rarewares.org](http://www.rarewares.org). The download page includes 32-bit and 64-bit versions. Make sure the version you download matches the
version of Mixxx that you use, not the version of Windows. If you are on 64-bit Windows but are using 32bit Mixxx, you need the 32bit (“x86”) version of the library. Unpack the downloaded ZIP archive.

Copy libmp3lame.dll to the location you have installed Mixxx, probably C:\Program Files\Mixxx\.

Running Mixxx

Go to Mixxx's Preferences Screen, then select the "Live Broadcasting" tab on the left. These are the settings I used:

- Check **Turn On Live Broadcasting**
- Set type to **Shoutcast1**
- The standard mount point everyone uses is **/stream**
- Host is **127.0.0.1**
- Port is **8080** from the Dreamworld setup.
- Login is **blank**
- Password is the same password from the Dreamworld setup.
- Check **Public** if you want your stream to be on the Mixxx website. Give it a name.
- Click **Okay** and the screen will gray out and should show no errors.

Troubleshooting:

If it cannot connect, make sure Icecast is running in a separate DOS box.
You do not have to run the grid to stream music. It is only used to set up the files and start Icecast. For example, you can run a radio station or use it for Second Life. There is a batch file in /Icecast called 'icecast.bat' that will run the server.

Port Forwards:
Add port 8080 and 8081 to your routers Port Forward. You should also check they are not blocked by your firewall or anti-virus. This is my setup:

![Security](image)
The Shoutcast setting shown above is used when you are running the Icecast/Shoutcast server.

**Mixx Setup**
On the top of the Mixxx main screen is an Options menu. Click Enable Live Broadcasting. I have it shown in the photo. Load a track and click play. For me, that was hard to find! It is circled in the picture and shows a pause button.
Use a web browser and navigate to http://127.0.0.1:8080/stream and click the play button. You can also click the Admin Web Page button. You should hear the music, delayed by maybe 15 seconds. This is normal buffering. Click Stop in Mixxx and the music will play for a bit longer due to the buffering.

The Public URL or Domain Name for your world is entered into your sim instead of 127.0.0.1, so for my simulator, the music URL becomes http://www.outworldz.com:8080/stream. This URL must include the 'mount point' of /stream you entered earlier.

Navigate to http://127.0.0.1:8080. You should see the standard web page for Icecast. Yours truly, can log in using your administrator password, see the status, and see the mount point.
Load OAR

An OAR is an Object Archive - a complete region with content, terrain, and scripts. You click the Menu to load a Free OAR from the Outworldz, and a list of free OARs appears:

The name, file size, and the credits/license for the OAR appear when you hover your mouse over the photo.
Clicking any photo brings up a region chooser box:

Select the Region you wish to load and click OK. you can also double-click the region.
Click a Blue section to choose which section of this Var Region to put this OAR in.

![Choose where to put the OAR]

Options:

- merge

Specify to merge the contents of the reading OAR with the existing contents in the region.

--displacement

Specify a displacement that is added to all data as it is added to the destination region. The displacement MUST be specified as ",<x,y,z>". So, for instance, to load an OAR from a 256x256 region into the middle of a larger 512x512 region, the parameter would be --displacement "<128,128,0>". Note that you can specify a "Z" displacement which will move the objects up or down. Thus --displacement "<0,0,1000>" will put all the OAR's objects up high for a sky box.
The displacement is also applied to the terrain if it is included. The 'z' component is added to the terrain's heights.

--force-terrain

Force terrain loading on --merge. Normally, --merge does not overwrite the existing region's terrain.

--force-parcels

Force parcel loading on --merge. Normally, --merge does not overwrite the existing region's parcel data.

--default-user "<first-name> <last-name>"

Instead of setting object ownership to the estate owner, assign it to the named user. This only applies to objects that have UUIDs that do not match any user account in the receiving grid's installation. There is currently no option that will force a change of owner for all loaded objects no matter whether they match a user in the receiving installation. One workaround to achieve this would be to save the OAR with the --publish "save oar" option to strip owner information and then reload it.

Links:

http://opensimulator.org/wiki/Load_Oar_0.9.0%2B
Load IAR

An IAR is an Inventory Archive - all inventory, or an object, image, mesh, or a folder. You click the Menu to load a Free IAR from the Outworldz, and a list of free IARs appears:

The name, file size, and the credits/license for the IAR appears when you hover your mouse over the photo.

Clicking any photo brings up a folder chooser box. The default is "/Objects", but you can load your IAR to the root of your Inventory with "/", or to a specific folder, such as /Texturer.
After clicking Okay it will show an avatar First and Last Name box

After clicking Okay it will show a password box. Enter the password for that Avatar.

The inventory will load in one of the Dos boxes.
You may need to re-login in order to see your new inventory item.

Links:

http://opensimulator.org/wiki/Inventory_Archives
Maps

Opensim has many different maps settings. Dreamgrid has multiple easy-to-use combinations. Opensimulator has several Map tile makers which vary in quality, and speed. It can take an exceedingly long time to boot when using the Better and Best maps. These maps which use the Warp3D engine must load all prims, mesh, and textures, so it takes a long time to generate new maps. Also, any bad textures may cause harmless errors from corrupted assets to appear on your console.

I recommend you run all maps at Best setting once, then set Maps to None. You can remake maps when enough changes have been made.

- **None**: No maps will be made. This is a good setting as the regions will boot very quickly. Any existing maps are not deleted.
- **Simple but Fast**: MapImageModule is used with just Land showing
- **Good**: Uses Warp3D module with just Land showing
- **Better**: Uses Warp3D module with Land, Prims, and land Textures showing
- **Best**: Uses Warp3D module with Land, Prims, Mesh, Sculpts, and all Textures including prims showing.
- **Delete All Maps**: If you delete a region, the map will remain. Click this to clear out all maps. You will need to regenerate all maps again by choosing a setting and restarting all regions.
• **View Map Web page:** Enabled if your system is booted. Opens a web browser to [http://localhost:8002/wifi/map.htm](http://localhost:8002/wifi/map.htm).

• **Small Metro Map and Large Metro Maps** Available only if your Apache/PHP is enabled in Settings Web Pages. These maps are generated by PHP and Apache web server.

![Web Server Panel](image)

**Manual regeneration**

Normally, one would generate map tiles at startup. You can also manually force map tile regeneration with the console command 'generate map<enter>'.

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Permissions

Grid god mode allows certain users to take and control permissions over objects. Setting Grid God Mode on allows you to control individual users by editing their access level in the Wifi Users Panel. Any user with a level > 100 will be a grid god. You can set any estate owner or estate manager to be a grid god, too. Users can become Gods by using the Request Admin Level button in the Advanced Viewer menu.

God mode is a useful function. However, making copies of items that are no copy or no transfer and giving them to others could be illegal. Please remember that copyright laws for your country need to be respected.

Allow Gods: God mode is available to selected people if enabled. These levels can be set for individual users in the Web control panel.

- Level = 0 is a normal user
- Level = 50 (or a level you set) is used to indicate a privileged user (e.g. who can set up new Hypergrid linked regions)
• Level = 100 is a Wifi admin account user
• Level >= 200 can become a God

Region Owner is God: If enabled, the region owner may go into God mode.

Region Manager is God: If enabled, any region estate manager may go into God mode.

Prim Limits:
Opensimulator normally does not enforce limits on the number of prims for a region or a parcel. The viewer can show a maximum of 45,000 prims.
Beware: If you set this checkbox on, any prims over a count of 45,000 will be returned.
You can lower or raise any region limit in the Regions Control panel.
Default: Unchecked

Allow LSL to contact the server:
By default, OpenSimulator does not allow scripts to make HTTP calls to addresses on the simulator's LAN. This stop LSL from scanning your ports inside your firewall. If you need to allow scripts to make some LAN calls, enable this checkbox. We recommend that you do not enable this unless you are very sure about what you are doing. When disabled, it will allow access to no ports on the server. You can see more in Opensim.proto - search for OutboundDisallowForUserScripts.
Default: Unchecked

Clouds: The original particle clouds from the early days of Second Life are still available for older viewers such as Singularity.
Default: Checked

Export: Export Checkbox can disallow export of prims by a viewer. Default -> Allow
Physics Engine

The Physics selection box lets you set extremely basic physics, where the only collidable object is a box shape. It supports the original Open Dynamic Engine physics. The ubODE engine, by Ubit Umarov, is an advanced version of ODE that is closer to Second Life compatibility with vehicles. Bullet is an award-winning physics engine. Running Bullet in a separate thread is the default.

- None effectively does not model physics at all, making all objects phantom.
- Open Dynamics Engine was the previous default physics engine in OpenSimulator 0.7.6.1 and before. It continues to provide a workable physics implementation. It does not currently support varregions.
- UBODE is closer to Second Life in vehicle performance.
- The hybrid Ubit ODE/Bullet uses Bullet Meshmerizer with ODE runtime. Some people think this helps. Not using the proper meshmerizer will trick UBODE into using the visual part of the mesh, like bullet and old ode do, and you will get what you deserve (and not what you may think you deserve). It is better to pick anything else and upload your mesh with a proper physics for PRIM, which means to pick a physics setting and not skip that step!
- BulletSim and UBODE support varregions.
- BulletSim is the default physics engine. It provides the best performance and most functionality.
- When run in a separate thread, it cannot crash the Region if it dies.

Links:

http://www.ode.org/
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bullet_(software)
**Port Settings and UPnP**

Multiple TCP and UDP Ports are used in Opensim. The defaults are shown below.

![Ports](image)

The defaults are 8001 (Diagnostic), 8002 (Public), 8003 (Private) and 8004 (Starting Region). If you have manually added more regions, their region ports also need to be open. Each region that is used takes up one port. They start at 8004 and count up by one.

**Port Forwards:**

See the section on [Troubleshooting Ports](#) on how to manually enable the ports.

**UPnP Enabled:**

The Outworldz program uses Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) to automatically allow data to come from the Internet to your computer. This is called "Port Forwarding". UPnP capability may be disabled in your router, or it may not support it.

You may need to stop the SSDP Service to prevent this service from intercepting these messages.

If UPnP is enabled and your router supports it, Dreamgrid will automatically open the correct ports. This can be slow and time-consuming, so you may prefer to disable UPnP and set your ports manually.

Do you have Plug and Play (UPnP) issues? The Dreamgrid help menu has a useful tool to look at uPnP in your router:
UPnp (Universal Plug and Play) Tool for Windows

You can add, delete, and modify the settings without a password, assuming you have UPnP enabled. This tool is available in Dreamworld and Dreamgrid in the Help menu.
Troubleshooting Ports

A list of routers and instructions is at www.portforward.com which can help once you identify your router type.

Step 1) Get your PC LAN IP address by going to a DOS prompt and typing 'ipconfig'.

In the above photo, my IP was 192.168.1.3. Yours is likely to be in the range 192.160.*.*, but it could also be a 10.0.*.* number.

IceCast/Shoutcast Ports

Ports 8080 and 8081 must be added when you are running the Icecast/Shoutcast server.

Which ports? You need to Port-Forward 8001, 8002, and 8004-8010 (or higher, I usually open up to 8050) to have room for expansion. You can also add 8080 and 8081 for Shoutcast/Icecast. Do not do 8003 for security reasons. These can usually be done in ranges, like 8001-8002 and 8004-8010. The latter ones are for regions - you need one port per region, so this would let you have 7 regions. Add more if you want - nothing wrong with opening up to 8020 or 8030 or so. In the above photo, I have opened ports 8004 through 8005.

They need to be open for both TCP and UDP. Your router will have a button or a pulldown to select UDP, TCP, or both. If you do not have a Both or All option, you have to add them twice, once for UDP and once for TCP.

How do I know this worked? You can tell if it worked by starting Opensimulator, and then use a web browser to go to http://www.canyouseeme.org, and enter 8002
while Opensimulator is running. Then click the Test Button at CanYouSeeMe. If that works, the ports are fine. If this does not work, try disabling your PC firewall. If this works, you must add exclusions to the firewall and then turn the firewall back on.

See **Firewall Issues** for help with the PC firewall.

Keep working with the router, firewall, antivirus exclusions and IP address until this test passes.

**Loopback**

The second part that must work is loopback - either your router supports it, or not. You can immediately tell if your loopback works after running the above CanYouSeeMe.org tests. You use your web browser to navigate to http://(YOUR PUBLIC IP):8002. Mine was http://24.173.0.66:8002. Of course, your IP address will be different than shown here, so use whatever CanYouSeeMe.org shows you. If the system is working, you get a web page.

If not, you must add a loopback adapter. Go to https://www.outworldz.com/Outworldz_installer/Loopback.htm and follow the instructions.

Then go to Hypergrid/DNS Name page and enter your desired Hypergrid name

**Firewall Issues**

Windows will prompt you to allow Opensim to open ports when it first runs. If you say no, you will not be able to log in. I also set all the ports to be open in firewalls when you first click start.

If you are using an Anti-virus with a firewall, such as Zone Alarm, AVG Internet Suite, or anything else, running Start.exe may trigger the 3rd party firewall popup warnings. Opensim.exe needs to be allowed internet access, and Start.exe must be allowed to make changes to the firewall. If not, it will not work, and you will have to take manual action to fix it.
This code is safe and is digitally signed by me, Fred Beckhusen of Outworldz.com, and is open source and available for inspection at https://www.github.com/Outworldz.

You may have to manually add firewall rules to allow incoming traffic on the ports.

1. On the client operating system, go to Start>Run and type firewall.cpl. The Windows Firewall window opens.
2. Click on the “Advanced Settings” link on the left pane. The Windows Firewall with Advanced security window opens.
3. Click on the “Inbound Rules” option.
4. On the left pane, click on “New rule”.
5. Under “Rule Type” select the option “Port” and click next.
6. Select “TCP” and “specific local ports” options.
7. Key in the port number, the port is 8001-8010 (or higher for more regions)
8. Click Next.
9. Select the option “Allow the connection”.
10. Click Next, do not change any option here and click Next again.
11. Specify a name for this rule.
12. Click Finish.
14. Repeat the above but using UDP from step 6

More information about Opensim Ports

Here is more detail about ports and the way the interact with the outside world such as www.canyouseeme.org and to my diagnostics tests.

Put simply, only port 8001 and 8002 can report back to those tools as to being open and can do so only when Opensim is running.

**Port 8001**

8001 is a TCP/HTTP port that is open for help->Network diagnostics. It is unique to Dreamworld and not to Opensim. It is used for a "port forward" test, just like Canyouseeme.org does, and for a loopback test. It collects data on sim's going up and down to change the icons and collects Partner information if two people click the partner prim.

**Port 8002**

Opensim has a web server that web browsers understand, using the same protocol (TCP/HTTP) that tools like www.canyouseeme.org support. Put simply, Opensim is the only thing that listens to port 8002 and answers to http:// GET and POST requests on 8002. Port 8002 is like port 80, the default port for web pages. You can actually set Dreamworld's 8002 port to 80, and it will still work. You can then drop the need to
type :8002 at the end of your hyperlink. http://hg.Osgrid.org does this. There would be no need to type the :80, as literally http:// means "add a :80 to the end of it". 8002 works with web based ‘GET’ probe tools. If you do switch it to 80, then you forfeit using an additional web server on your home machine as only one program can listen to a port.

If Opensim is not running and your ports are open, it is as if you tried to connect to www.google.com’s web server, but their web server is down. Nothing will happen, though your packets can get through the Google firewall because it is still open to traffic and is steering it to a dead server. You will get no answer. Similarly, if Opensim is not running, there is no web server to answer the request.

Port 8003

This port is used by Opensim to listen to region traffic. Regions chat to the server database for login, presence, and other services use it to talk to the region so people can teleport from one region to another. In Dream World, regions must be on the same machine. In DreamGrid, just like OsGrid or any other remotely attachable grid, the regions can run on any machine anywhere in the world.

If you opened port 8003 to anyone on the web, you expose the internal database protocol to the web. Anyone with the right knowledge could attach a region to your sim. If you run a DreamGrid and host regions outside your LAN, it is recommended you use firewall rules to only allow access from known IP addresses running approved regions.

Port 8004 and upwards

The region ports (8004-upward) run both TCP and UDP. UDP is used for the viewer. UDP cuts the load on the server dramatically as there is no need to automatically always ACK every packet. As one example, no one cares if an audio stream gets briefly interrupted as you cannot hear it anyway, and it is too late to use it if it comes later in a retry. It just gets discarded.

For multiple regions in a single DOS box, all regions listen for TCP traffic on the last port used in that DOS box. As one example, if one region is in a DOS box by itself, and it is the first region, then it listens on both TCP and UDP on 8004.

If you had two regions in one DOS box, and they start at 8004, then the regions listen to UDP on 8004 and 8005, and both regions listen to 8005 for TCP traffic. You can check that the region is reachable on the Hypergrid only by using port 8005. 8004 will not respond, as it only listens to 8004 on UDP.

As a result, you can test regions with tools like Canyouseeme.org or a web browser
**Links:**

Port Testing: [http://www.canyouseeme.org](http://www.canyouseeme.org)
Loopback: [https://www.outworldz.com/Outworldz_installer/Loopback.htm](https://www.outworldz.com/Outworldz_installer/Loopback.htm)
Publicity

Publish Grid sends shows your grid in the list at Hyperica.com.

Photos:

Click the Green box to load PNG image and it will appear in your listing.
Region Panel

This panel lets you edit or add new regions.

There are four sections: Region Name, Advanced, and Region Specific. Each section is covered below.

Normally, all you do here is to give your region a name and click [Save]. You can immediately start it up by clicking the name in the Regions panel.

If you click Delete, the region INI file will still be there, but the file name will change to .bak from .ini.

Regions are stored in Outworldzfiles\opensim\bin\Regions in folders by each DOS box name. The DOS box folder has a Region folder in it that holds the Region.ini file. See Rules for INI files at the bottom of this Help file for more details.
Choose a sim size. Each section is 256 X 256 meters in size.

- 1X2 = 256 X 256 (Second life type)
- 2X2 = 512 X 512
- 3X3 = 768 X 768
- 4X4 = 1024 X 1024

You can type in a larger size, such as 2048 X 2048 (8X8). Please be aware that exceptionally large sims can lead to mediocre performance, extensive RAM use, viewer crashes and inability to edit the land.

Click when done. You can immediately start the new region by clicking the name in the Region (Ctrl-R) panel.

Delete: Clicking Delete will remove the region. The region INI file will still be there, but the file be renamed to .bak and will not show again. If you want to rename the file back to INI, it will be recoverable. The file is in this folder:

Outworldzfiles\Opensim\bin\Regions\(DOS BOX NAME)\Region
Options

The next section contains optional items you may choose to change.

**Map Coords**: The (x, y) location of the region on the grid. You can set regions next to each other by changing the X and Y coordinates and restarting the region. The X and Y is the lower left point on the global map.

If you get messages saying that regions overlap, change the coordinates, and retry the region boot. If your region still will not start due to it overlapping, type this into the Robust console:

deregister region id <UUID Goes Here> <enter>

Copy and paste the region UUID where it says <UUID Goes Here>. This can be done on Windows with Ctrl-V, or by right clicking the Robust title bar and selecting Edit->Paste.

**UUID**: Never change the UUID unless you want to start with a blank region again. Altering the UUID will force the system to create a new, blank region the next time it is started, and you will be forced to move your region to another spot.

**MaxAgents**: The maximum number of agents that can be in the in the region at any given time. The default is 100.

**MaxPrims**: The maximum number of prims that the region will be listed as supporting. However, this limit is not currently enforced by OpenSimulator. Due to LL protocol constraints, the maximum limit that can be shown is 45000.
**PhysicalPrimMax:** The maximum dimensions of a physical prim. This is a single number which applies to X, Y and Z co-ordinates. This will affect resizing of existing prims. Default is 10.

**NonphysicalPrimMax:** The maximum dimensions for a non-physical prim. This is a single number which applies to X, Y and Z co-ordinates. This will affect resizing of existing prims. Default is 256.

**ClampPrimSize:** If true then if a viewer attempts to create a prim which has any dimension larger than the NonphysicalPrimMax, then that dimension is reduced to NonphysicalPrimMax. Default is false;

**MaptileStaticUUID:** UUID of texture to use as a map tile for this region. Only set if you have disabled dynamic generation of the map tile from the region contents.

**Script Timer Rate:** You can change the default script timer rate from 0.2 to match the Sim FPS of 0.090909 here. This will double script timer minimums. This will increase script CPU time.

**Frame Rate:** Opensim uses a 11 frames per second frame rate with is 1/5 that of Second Life’s 55fps. You can change the default Frame rate from 1/11th, which is .0909009 to slower or faster values.
**Overrides**

The next section are overrides for global settings made elsewhere.

Each of these settings is specific to this ONE region. As an example, if you want maps to made Best quality for just one region, you can set it here. It will override the global maps setting for this region.

At lower right are settings for Modules. These settings extend the Global settings to enable these modules on a per-region basis.
**Publish Items Marked for Search:**

![Search settings](image)

The default is set in Settings->Publicity. This setting overrides that setting for one region.

Setting this switch will send data about any prims or regions you set for "Show In Search" into a database at Outworldz that shows the data in your viewer in Search. If you disable this, prims marked for Search and the regions marked for Show in Search will not be shown.

**Permissions:**

The default is set in Settings->Permissions. This setting overrides that setting for one region.

![Permissions settings](image)

**Allow Gods:** God mode is available to selected people if enabled. These levels can be set for individual users in the Web control panel.

- Level = 0 is a normal user
- Level = 50 (or a level you set) is used to indicate a privileged user (e.g. who can set up new Hypergrid linked regions)
- Level = 100 is a Wifi admin account user

**Physics Engine:**
The default is set in Settings->Permissions. This setting overrides that setting for one region.

None effectively does not model physics at all, making all objects phantom.

- OpenDynamicsEngine was the previous default physics engine in OpenSimulator 0.7.6.1 and before. It continues to provide a workable physics implementation. It does not currently support varregions.
- UBODE is closer to Second Life in vehicle performance.
- BulletSim and UBODE support varregions.
- BulletSim is the default physics engine. It provides the best performance and most functionality.
- When run in a separate thread, it cannot crash the Region if it dies.

Maps:
The default is set in Settings->Maps. This setting overrides that setting for one region.
- **None**: No maps will be made. This is a good setting as the regions will boot very quickly. Any existing maps are not deleted.
- **Simple but Fast**: MapImageModule is used with just Land showing
- **Good**: Uses Warp3D module with just Land showing
- **Better**: Uses Warp3D module with Land, Prims, and Land Textures showing
- **Best**: Uses Warp3D module with Land, Prims, Mesh, Sculpts, and all Textures including prims showing.

**Modules:**

These settings enable features for this region and also require the feature be set in the Settings Panel. Unlike the other settings here, these must also be set here to enable them.

**Bird Module:**

The bird module makes flocks of birds possible.

You must also enable the Bird Module in Settings->Birds.

There are many settings for the Bird Module. You can use the defaults. You must also click Enable on each region and reboot the grid. If this is checked the birds will automatically fly. If unchecked they will be available but must be started manually.

See Settings->Birds for more information.

**Tides Enable:**

The tide module makes water go up and down. It has a buoy with a script to make boats and objects float with the changing water level

Individual region Tide setting must be enabled to make the water go up and down in each region.

See Settings->Tides for more information.
**Teleporter Enable**

If the Teleporter Enable checkbox is set, the system will add the region to the build-in Teleporter and teleporter HUD. You can load these into your inventory with the Load Local OAR option.

**Disable Gloebits**

You can disable Gloebits for each region, independently of the overall Gloebits setting.

**Disable Foreign Visitors**

This switch prevents Hypergrid visitors from entering this region.

**Disable Residents**

This switch sets it so only Region Owners and Estate Managers may enter this region.

**Skip Autobackup**

If checked, this region OAR Save will be skipped by Autobackup setting.

**Smart Start**

SS is a future Extension of Dreamgrid that is in development.
**Region List**

Open the Region Panel with Ctrl-R, or go to Setting-Region.

There will be anywhere from one to many Region.INI files in your system. These show up in this panel. The default is an island called "Welcome".

**Sorting:** Click any column to sort. The default sort is by DOS Box.

![Region List Panel]

**Refresh button**

Click Refresh to rescan the system status and update this panel.

**Add Regions**

Click the Add button to make a new region. You only need to give it a name and save it.
**Run All Button**
Runs all checked regions.

**Stop All Button**
Stops all checked regions.

**Restart Button**
Restarts all checked regions.

**Import Button**
This button lets you find `region.ini` files from other systems, such as the standalone DreamWorld or backups, and import the file into Dreamgrid in a new or existing DOS box.

**Region Stats**
The region stats are a web-based data collector. First, choose a region:
The first screen shows general statistics:

```
Welcome

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ActiveLog

15:22:34 - [SCENE] : Loading land objects from storage
15:22:35 - [SCENE] : Loading objects from database
15:22:35 - [SCENE] : Loaded 2 objects from the database
15:22:35 - [SCENE] : Initialized 1 script instances in Welcome
15:22:35 - [RADMM] : Default avatars not loaded
15:22:50 - [XEngine] : Performing initial script startup on Welcome
15:22:50 - [XEngine] : Completed starting 1 scripts on Welcome
```

The client screen shows the types of viewers that have visited

```
Region | ClientVersion | Count% | SimFPS |
-------|---------------|--------|--------|
Firestorm-Release4 5.0.11.53634 | 15.75% | 56.38865 |
Firestorm-Release4 6.0.2.55660 | 5.25% | 80.83986 |
```
The Sessions screen shows the visitor list

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**Restart Robust**

This button safely stops and restarts Robust.
**View button**

There are four views.

**Detail View:** The Detail view can be sorted by Name, Group, Agents or Status by clicking the column name.

![Detail View](image1.png)

**Icon View:** The second view is a small icon-only view for larger grids

![Icon View](image2.png)
**Map view:** The third view only appears if Maps are enabled before the stem boots. It has zoomable map images by the scroll wheel. Maps only appear if the region is online and maps are enabled.

**Avatar View**

This view shows a list of avatar names and the regions they are in.

![Region List](image)

**Double-clicking** a name will start a teleport sequence to that avatar in Firestorm viewer.
**Region File Folder Arrangement**

Dreamgrid uses a slightly different folder setting than stock Opensim. You cannot just copy them over in a file explorer unless you make a special pattern of folders, with an extra set of folders inside it.

The format is:

```
Opensim\bin\Regions\DOS Box Name\Region\RegionName.ini
```

Dreamgrid has several simple rules for *.INI files that differ slightly from stock Opensim.

- The INI file name must match the [Region Name] inside it. This example region [Region Name] must be saved as “Region Name.ini”.

- Only one [Region Name] is allowed in an INI file.

- All contents of a Region file are made by Dreamgrid and will be overwritten. See the Region Control Panel to change the settings.
**Regions**

**Default region for visitors:** This is your “Welcome” region. Hypergrid visitors and people who log in for the first time get sent to this region. The region must be online.

**New User Home X,Y,Z:** Users that create accounts on the web page will land at this spot on your Welcome region. Their home is set here.

Default: 128,128,24

**Add a Region:** will bring up a dialog form for adding a new region.

**Normalize Regions:** The web maps require that the lower left corner be started at 1000,1000. This will move all regions so that the chosen region is at 1000,1000. All regions maintain their relative positions.

**Edit Region:** will bring up a dialog form to edit the selected region.

**Configure All Regions:** will open all regions for editing.
Auto Restart and Startup Settings

Opensim uses up more RAM as people arrive and leave. Periodic restarting of regions is necessary to clear memory. You can set up a restart timer here.

Dreamgrid will not restart a region if avatars are present. It will restart the region only after all avatars leave.

Enable: If enabled, the auto restart interval will be set to 1440 minutes, which is one day. If disabled, the regions will try to run forever.

Auto restart Interval: The number of minutes a region runs before it restarts.

- 0 = Off
- 720 is 1/2 day. 1440 is one day. 2880 is 2 days.
- If Autobackup is enabled, this interval will be extended beyond the Autobackup Interval by 30 minutes to allow Autobackup to complete.

Start Regions Sequentially: Unchecked= start a new region every few seconds. This can overwhelm the database, memory and/or CPU on some systems. Checking this box will start each regions sequentially it will wait for it to boot completely before starting the next. It will extend the waiting period up to 3 minutes. per region.

Enable One Click Start: If set, running Start.exe will automatically start Opensim without needing to click the second [Start] button.
**Tides Module**

The tide module makes water go up and down. It has a buoy with a script to make boats and objects float with the changing water level. It must be used on a single sim surrounded by water.

Tides is by Jak Daniels from [https://github.com/JakDaniels/OpenSimTide](https://github.com/JakDaniels/OpenSimTide)

Enable: If set, Tides are enabled globally. Individual region Tide setting must be enabled to make the water go up and down in each region.

Broadcast Tide Info: This must be checked to send tide level info to the provided buoy. It uses channel 5555.

High Water Level: default 20 meters

Low Water Level: default 17 meters

Cycle time in seconds. default 900 seconds = 15 minutes

Tide Info Channel: As the tides rise and fall, a tide level command is broadcast on this channel. This must be set to 5555 for the provided script to work.

Tide High Low Channel: An announcement will be made on this channel when the tide is at a high or low level.

Send Debug Info to console: will send chat to the regions console for debugging.

Buoy:

A floating buoy is provided in the Load Local IAR menu.
Tide script:

To make items float on water just place this script into their root prim.

```lsl
integer listen_handle;
vector myPos;
float tideLevel = 20.0;

default {
    on_rez(integer start_param)
    {
        llResetScript();
    }

    state_entry()
    {
        listen_handle = llListen(5556, "TIDE", NULL_KEY, "");
    }

    listen( integer channel, string name, key id, string message )
    {
        tideLevel=(float)message;
        myPos = llGetPos();
        llSetPos(<myPos.x, myPos.y, tideLevel + 0.05>);
    }
}
```

More complex stuff can be done using the full info channel, which has data about where in the tide cycle we are. Rez a cube prim and place this script inside:

```lsl
integer listen_handle;
default
{
```
state_entry()
{
    listen_handle = llListen(5555, "TIDE", NULL_KEY, ";
}

listen( integer channel, string name, key id, string message )
{
    llWhisper(0,channel + " " + name + " " + id + "\n" + message);
}

The cube will whisper info about the current tide position every time the tide is updated.

Links:
https://github.com/JakDaniels/OpenSimTide
Vivox Voice Settings

Vivox powers voice for millions of players in many of the world's best games.
You must first ask for a free Opensim Vivox account by clicking the link. These accounts are free for non-commercial use. It can take a week to get a response, so please be patient and polite.

When you get the email, add your User ID and Password to this form and enable it. Restart the system and voice should work.

Links:
https://support.vivox
http://www.hypergridbusiness.com/2011/12/free-vivox-for-all
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Source code: https://github.com/Outworldz/DreamWorld

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- \Licenses_to_Content
- \Opensim\ThirdPartyLicenses
- \Opensim\NOTES

Data Collection Policy

Outworldz, LLC does not collect personally identifiable information. No personal details of your site, such as passwords or user names are other details are sent to Outworldz.
If you check the **Publish Grid** button, the system will send public information about your grid, such as the web address, to Outworldz, LLC for use in the Hyperica.com directory. This information is removed automatically if you turn your grid off or uncheck the box.

**DNS**

The DYN DNS system stores public IP addresses and your domain name as is necessary to run the DNS system.

**Anonymous data**

The unique random identifier of your machine is stored at Outworldz along with a small amount of anonymous data. This includes whether your software passes diagnostics, the revision level, and whether it is on the Hypergrid. This is used for quality control purposes.

The Outworldz web server may also automatically collect and store routine information in server logs. This may include details of how you used our service, such as your search queries or Internet protocol address, browser type, browser language, the date and time of your request and referral URL.
Links:

Troubleshooting:  

Ports:  https://www.outworldz.com/Outworldz_installer/PortForwarding.htm

Loopback: https://www.outworldz.com/Outworldz_installer/Loopback.htm