

MapGarbage

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Description:

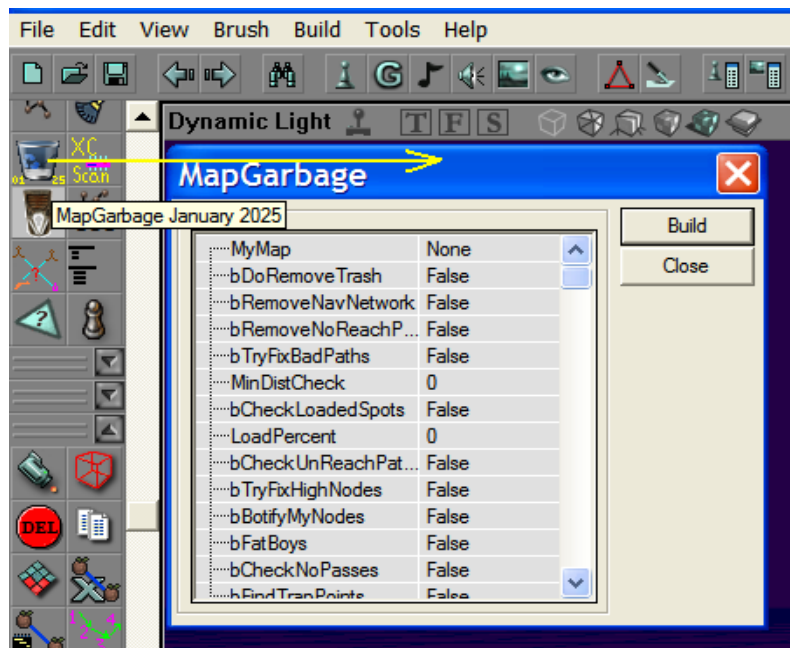
This is an UnrealTournament Editor custom builder tool which operates in Editor - aka UT'99.

Purpose:

Trying to make Editor more smarter than its amoeba intelligence.

Some map fixings/repairs are time consuming and we may also have glitches. Then if we use a builder like this we do the necessary maneuvers with a few mouse clicks, we have enough fixes here for that type of MonsterHunt game that is constantly brutalized with poor quality maps and for a game without skills. Of course, we are not just talking about MonsterHunt, we also have testing and reporting functions for other types of games when we refer to the navigation network of the studied map or in the manufacturing process. Another common attribute of this builder it's the ability or attempt to eliminate duplicate actors which are not the best thing on a map after copy-paste operations (even stealing assets from other maps). This feature works or not depending on what kind of actors are duplicated. Actors type InventorySpot duplicated can cause big problems and it's needed "manual washing" of the map. Another tutorial for this will be another chapter to discuss.

Operation:



By clicking the Right Mouse button on that Glass/TrashCan Icon from Editor (setup explained later) you can open this Builder. We have to mark **True** options which we want to launch and then clicking on **Build** button shown. Once finished work, or if some scroll/visual problems from Editor are showing up (Editor is a trash disregarding what you say anyway), just close Builder and re-Open it (right click - in default OS's mouse setup) in case that you still need it.

August 2020 Add:

First operation will open the log for printing basic explanations. Some people cannot get what a builder does and how does it work, expecting builder to do something without setting up an option to True and then builder won't do anything.

Explanations for features:

Value	Value dependent	Explanations:
MyMap	-	This is main feature auto-completed for detecting map. If this doesn't happen, name of LevelInfo actor must be completed manually, eg: LevelInfo3 LevelInfo4 and so on.
bDoRemoveTrash	-	It's similar with Command OBJ GARBAGE
bRemoveNavNetwork	-	This option will delete Paths-Net for getting a clean map (requires Save Map, Exit Editor, Re-Open, Re-Load map) for removing all old references and old reachspecs still hosted and not used (like InventorySpot2000) for a future clean build. April 2020 - here you have some bytes cleaned up as well not only paths are deleted.
bTryFixBadPaths	-	This option is based on pathing docs by Epic and ignored by Epic :/ where any NavigationPoint should have an optimal minimum 50 UU distance from other one - this is mainly for PathNode class. It will blindly remove such PathNode closer to other NavigationPoint. This option will prevent crashing map in game by removing navigation Network applying tweak and building Navigation again. Update September 2020 Minimal distance (using RadiusActors) is now configurable if we want a different way of paths simplifications.
bCheckUnReachPaths	Update October 2022 PathNodes on purpose might be solved if sub-option - bTryFixHighNodes is also set to True.	This option scans All NavigationPoint Actors in map if a Bot/Human pawn can reach at their location properly - ramps checks in stage. Nodes placed too high, even if have navigation data added based on Scout tester, they might not be good for Bots. We aim here normal maps addressing games on the ground not air paths where creatures flying are using them. However, air paths are not for ground pawns so they are claimed UnReachable too. Nodes from water are excepted and also teleporters without a destination as long as they might be a destination. Air paths are another chapter, not a subject to discuss here. Sample of a plain stock bork is PathNode112 from CTF-Command, there are more others but, because of geometry type not all of them are causing troubles. All what we need is trying to have a good placement allowing Pawn to reach at Node Location correctly. Method means a trace from node to the ground in certain range. If ground is not found, Node might be too high - method is not very accurate for all cases but it doesn't hurt a map-check because it's faster than looking at each Node one by one. So-called Bad Results are logged. Update October 2022 Sub-Option added might solve offenders quickly if are too many bugged ones requiring more work. Only PathNodes are in account and they will have a good placement for Bots if were not badly messed up. In future probably solution used might be changed.
bPreNavigAdHck	-	With this option used before starting to add PathNodes (MANUALLY !!!), we can tweak their properties until job is being done for making them able to fit in small spots where Editor can still link them but they don't fit there for placing - BIG Junks in SMALL holes. Their look in game is normal by default but... we have new routes set. Requires Bot Pathing knowledge. Here we have other placement for InventorySpot Marker toward inventories not like in default build. This is triggering actors to reorder and it might get rid of trash reachSpecs as well. Update February 2021 After using this option it will go inactive as long as there is no need to send pre-pathing commands multiple times unless user needs this for some reason.
bBuildNavNetwork	-	Similar to command Paths Define used for Constructing Paths Net using current PathNodes. Update February 2021 Also it sends a command for Wrapping Actors - not always helpful combined with other commands, but wrapping actors helps in getting rid of junk reachSpecs. I'm also using a button separate for command "Map SendTo Last" before rebuilding Navigation Network. Update February 2023 After executing pathing Task, navigation chain is re-ordered trying to gain some speed in routing process.

bCountReachSpecs	-	<p>Explanation from the initial phase. The engine has as constant in defining the navigation paths 3000 specifications of navigation called ReachSpecs. I am inclined to believe that these specifications are about the same in processing a route instigated by a being/creature/pawn. If the map has more than 3000 ReachSpecs - a larger or more crowded one in navigation points - it does not surprise me to see the creatures behaving strangely when they follow a target, in other words when jumping over the capacities coded as constants in the engine we do not have the right reactions while running the game. Some of these constants crash the game when it passes the defined limitations, for example Max_Points in rendering operations.</p> <p>These ReachSpecs are counted, including shortcuts, these shortcuts are not shown by the Editor in graphical mode but this builder shows them if we randomly study some navigation points - we are talking about maps that have the classic navigation network. This helps us to simplify navigation a bit, to place items after processing the navigation, or to simplify it in various ways to limit ourselves to the value of 3000 ReachSpecs. Until we build a clean network we can use this builder to destroy the old navigation and everything in the form of garbage specifications, saving, shutting down the Editor, reloading and setting up a navigation network as simple as possible.</p>
bShowSpecs	-	<p>This is a debugger for paths before to test route in game. Usually a suspect PathNode might block entire route for Pawn. If you have a suspect or you are curious about whatever point how is connected with nearest Nodes, this feature will report connections from that node and to that node and navigation conditions for pawn roamer - should swim, jump, etc. Default reachFlags are explained in more friendly format using words, but also with numbers returned, and an explained legend is logged too for any advanced examination. Common navigation flags are shown.</p>
bUnLinkNavList	-	<p>Map's NavigationPointlist is unlinked here. I mean all NavigationPoint actors are not referencing themselves, chained, after this task. Why would do that ? Because you might need to drop InventorySpots added into void, those items might not need paths connected and were moved into void for not having paths to/from them. If network is disconnected it has to be reconnected back. Next feature is the cleaner in cause. Actually this task is spread in two pieces because map might have some coding stuff inside and it will remap everything how wants dynamically - I expect development here. ReachSpecs are not affected because Points from void are not having navigation data after all. After reconnecting network all Bots and the rest of pawns should work properly.</p>
bReLinkNavList	-	<p>Previously disconnected Navigation chain is remapped out of Navigation Points which are in void and have no reachSpecs referenced. Yes, network is reduced here. If you need some points previously moved in void, don't forget to bring them back if you need them (SpawnPoint, QueenDest) or they are deleted if are left in void.</p> <p>Update September 2020 Navigation Actors having reachspecs, even if are supposed to be in void (zoning problems) are connected as long as they have navigation data. If Editor has created reachSpecs then we cannot leave these away. Last node in chain will have an increased cost as I could see in certain stock maps.</p> <p>Update April 2023 When Chain is being rebuilt, it will wrap common objectives first (FlagBases, Inventories, etc) and leaving PlayerStarts as lasts.</p>
bVeloTeleporter	- ZVelocity - has to be completed with an usual positive value 190, 220, ect.	<p>Stock teleporters are automatically set with a teleporting velocity on Z axis. Purpose is making Bot to be thrown away for unblocking a teleporter. Usually in stock team-games a bot might be really annoying when hangs in teleporter. You can use here even a kicker for "Bot" class inside teleporter and with a smaller radius than teleporter - allow coming in.</p>
bNoPtFromTeleporter	-	<p>Eh, DevPath is adding a path from a teleporter to another point than a destination Teleporter - not those destinations without an URL defined that have to be connected to next point. What's the deal ? Creature might figure his road passing through teleporter without needing of teleporting, similar to a common PathNode - an outside path - and being kidnapped away</p>

		from required road to the target goal, being teleported inside or thrown away by some swJumpPad - lol. Cough, we can remove ALL these Out-Of-Destination paths confusing A.I. by using this feature. Here we have to look for alternate nodes around or else creatures will have here a total break. If this is confusing next update will have a sample picture for explanations. Technically Teleporters tagged have a destination purpose and even might be working in two-way mode, these are by default excepted from tweaking.
bCleanLocBytes	-	In plain stock Editor, we cannot see everything. There are bytes with data stored having no purpose for editing being run-time stuff such as OldLocation. It surprises me to see these even taking map file length with less good logic. When I deleted these junks, I did not see any game impact at all, so I added a feature for cleaning up to 0.000000 these OldLocation coordinates x y z, we don't care what was and where in building stage. Update February 2021 Option is turned back to False after usage. Also it is active during Paths Building process fired by this builder in order to cleanup junk data left behind pathing process , after cleanup task option is reverted back to False - turned off.
bFindXBrushes	-	I wrote this feature which might be helpful at a moment. I found maps having two the same cubed brushes, or even more in the same spot without helping with anything, just making map more bigger. We can have different brushes in the same spot, of course, but we do care only about similar ones such as 5 portals as water surface. I won't add map-names...
bRemoveBullshit	-	It was pretty much "fascinating" to see new "mappers" using Commanders and player types added in map with no single purpose and neither any LOGIC. This command will find these useless actors and perform their removal.
bRemoveMonsters	-	For some default match which might go messy with creatures added in map, this option will remove all Pawns. Addressing normal DM and CTF map fixes. You don't have to look where the nasty creature is, you can push button and builder will do the task for you.
bCullTextures	-	This operates similar to command Texture Cull , but without writing it in Console after ending mapping work.
bTweakMHMovers	bTweakMoverGroup Is adding a Group for some Movers - requires restart/reload and activating new Groups created. bDoPawnOpenMover Makes Movers Accessible by any Pawn except Mission Critical ones with bTriggerOnceOnly set. bBadTrgMoverFix Some Mission related Movers are set TriggerControl creating dumb errors when are linked with Dispatchers and other stuff, a mess which we can fix, AND MAYBE FINALLY LEARNING THESE AFTER 20 YEARS... bNoGrabMoverCheat Cannot be something more annoying than looking at a Bot or a Player opening a critical door without to do the job in cause first - by CHEATING, lol, originally USELESS added by Epic :eye poking:	Used in MH Maps and doing what default mutators are doing with movers and even more... Ideas of messing up maps are a lot so this is fine tuning not an entire fix. Movers set for some group will need browsing groups, refreshing and activating them, else you won't see Movers.
bTweakMHFactory	bChkMHFactAttack This Factory can work as a Trigger (if you don't have a clue about this feature), while Factory can be touched nasty by a monster - the rest of items spawned are pushed in combat against another maybe the same monster type - lousy battling - by using this, we make a factory to get a start only by Player types, preventing monsters to do a mess.	Some mappers think that Monster is Bot or such brain-sh!t so we have badly messed up settings. We are about to solve all 2 stock Factories screwed with a normal setup... Enhancements might be welcomed...
bXCPostNavHck	-	Simple feature that can recover Inventories lost from

		<p>their InventorySpots after repeated using XC_PathBuilder which seems to mess them up after a second XC type paths build in whatever XC version - This is part of XC_Engine if you have heard of it... Hint ! By using this feature even if everything is normal you can restore cylinder collisions for items which were screwed as another option. This feature is used in rare cases and it needs advanced actor editing stuff for figuring if bug has been encountered else it's not needed.</p> <p>Update September 2020</p> <p>In certain editing cases we might want to do this check in boths ways InvSpot vs Item and Item vs InvSpot. When Items are temporary moved for pathing tweaks they need to be back and CONNECTED. Builder will help here. Certain ammo won't open in UGold and they can be gone from InvSpot references at returning in UT. This option can be useful to bring back cross references Ammo-InvSpot.</p>
bBoostAmmo3X	-	Discarding regenerators "rule", this map might have a game play as it is, however, because stuff for MH battling might be a lot, ammo from map might have a 3X load and 3 times faster default RespawnTime (if you know what the heck is about, if not - read mapping tutorials !!! And learn stuff after years of doing TRASH)
bFixFallingAmmmo	-	Ammo placed in map in some adjusted higher spot and which are falling due to their properties are adjusted to stay in spot as in design requests without to fall.
bHideSpriteActors	-	Actors having Sprite type diplay (lights, triggers, etc) are going to be set for not being shown - purpose is to look at map closer to how does it looks in game. We are taking in account default set ones not customized ones.
bUnHideSpriteActors	-	Actors previously "hidden" are going to be shown back.
bReplaceActor	<p>ReplaceType Typing Actor's Class Name exactly, and Editor will complete it... Actor that needs replaced.</p> <p>WithType Using a class from a package previously loaded typing class name, also Editor will complete entire class definition for Actor used as replacement for above one.</p>	<p>Wheew ! Self explanatory... This is able to replace something selected from map with another thing (that has to be loaded first in Editor !!!). As a sample, we can replace a nasty PupaeWarrior having errors with a default one letting admins to do the usual server tuning. A lot of actors are suitable for this task including one from MyLevel with other from MyLevel.</p>
bSPawnTweaks	<p>MaxHealthAllowed Separate feature for removing 4,000,000 Health from whatever Dinosaur from whatever "joke" type mapping idea. Must specify value or else it will cap to 100,000 by default.</p>	This is pointed to ScriptedPawn types - monsters. In random moments of checking stuff, you'll find dumb settings done at monster properties, might be hard to check each monster one by one. These settings might go very unhealthy for a game-server. You can adjust a few of them (or more).
bNoRotateWeapon	<p>ChangedRespawn As an add-on, we can define RespawnTime for weapons, visible when server/game is being set with bWeaponStay False - I'm not gonna explain 2 pages what is about...</p>	Pretty useful for mapper who wants Weapons to stay without rotating. Some of those turds were screwing up things making mutators to get messy and even the game-play, because they have no clue about Editor and UScript anyway.
bTrySolveLocation	-	<p>Addressing common actors mapped which are intended to stay in space using FIXED values for their X,Y,Z Location in 3D space rather than floating numbers which are involving additional bits for no purpose. It's a sort of align to grid using 1 UU as scale.</p> <p>Update September 2020</p> <p>We do have small reporting about how much could be moved and how much was already in the same place - already fixed.</p> <p>Hint: those actors a bit pushed into ground and set with bCollideWorld might be relocated correctly over ground. For me this is helpful at relocating PathNodes in lowered Locations, all having the same height from ground and by adjusting collisions for all, then using this later for locking them in fixed places.</p>
bRoundCylinder	-	Again a feature for fixed values rather than floating ones for actors. Some decorations, Queen as sample might use those X.999967 things for their collision cylinder and are really pointless for processing collisions. Collision is rounded to a nearby integer value, there is nothing messed up here.

bReportActors	-	This feature will print in Editor.log file all actors used in Level + how many they are. If you known bad packages with screwed up Actors you can track log and then searching for those added in Map and deleting them once located.
bCheckItems	-	<p>This feature is used for testing how are placed Inventories in map, for a DM map if items are in walls or such, InventorySpot is not added and that's not a target for Bots. Then builder will try to adjust their location and logging this action. If builder did not solved problem, you can track evil stuff by checking log.</p> <p>First check is detecting in default technology, will work in order to gain InventorySpot over Inventory, if not, will try by shrinking tester pawn somehow like DevPath does. If it's not successful, it will be reported accordingly.</p> <p>Scout didn't fit - it's a message for a bad inventory which might be detected by this builder.</p> <p>Majority of maps are working somehow using shrinking and Editor can map paths here, but they can be RED paths in such case. Builder is enough accurate at this point predicting paths (recommending this usage before building paths) as a debugger for preventing more junks in map based on multiple builds.</p>
bHidePlStarts	HoleLength - value for hiding into ground of those buggers in order to not be mapped as valid paths. I'm using 9000 or less or, depending on map. And should stay the same for next command done after pathing map.	This feature might be used when map has a high load in a spot - more NavigationPoint type actors which might cause ugly pathing bugs. This is addressing PlayerStart - for MH takes in account SpawnPoints (aerial placement has no purpose) also QueenDest used by Queen type monster and being part of navigation array but they won't have paths as long as are buried into ground at predefined distance - see parameter. This has to be done BEFORE BUILDING PATHS. Next feature will bring back buggers after - to do after creating paths if this feature was used before.
bRestPlStarts	HoleLength - the same value for unhiding from ground of those buggers. It should be the same with previous command unless those points are going bugged remaining into void.	<p>This does the reversal action of previous feature described above. By using both of them in the same time mainly no visible action will occur. These are two different things. It uses the same value declared for recovering from ground of hidden stuff. Restoring points in original Location will be done AFTER BUILDING PATHS. If PlayerStarts are forget into void, map will be unplayable so here your logic has the word. Out of logic = A Junk UNR file, not MAP. So, when this feature is True, previous should be False and vice-versa.</p> <p>Stages are as follows: Hide points buggers (above command), create paths, Un-Hide points buggers (current command). This builder has all needed features toward removing paths and building paths, so everything is doable from builder toggling values True/False.</p>
bStaticsReport	-	This feature will track actors from map if are badly messed up by various "creative" ideas intended to be cool but ruining net play as long as map will not be the same as off-line, which means that a basic check for borks it's addressing actors bStatic and bNodelete if are screwed up, so called edited aka mindlessly ruined. Actor original bStatic screwed up as movable won't be EVER seen in client, else a weapon set bStatic for no rotation will do sucks with mutators and such. Builder here will find borks reporting them and then you can roll back evilized actors to original stage and doing the right setup. MapGarbage has a feature mentioned before for locking weapons rotation in a friendly format and not noob style.
bScanCTFAltPaths	-	<p>This is a check addressing CTF maps for AlternatePath actors - usually map has a better A.I. play if it do includes such things. Also it's a good thing if they are balanced well. All info will be logged.</p> <p>Update September 2020</p> <p>AlternatePaths are reported in games including four teams. Textures are toggled only for teams 0 1.</p> <p>Update March 2021</p> <p>AlternatePaths for CTFGame are used only if they have valid paths which means at least one "Paths" data and one "upStreamPaths" or else Pawn won't deal with them properly. From now on this function will report if these Actors are having all paths completed correctly.</p>
bSimAltPathPicking	aTeam - this is specification for which Team is tested AlternatePath picking.	Here we have a CTF simulator in how a Bot might pick an AlternatePath after Re-Spawn or not picking one. It uses a similar code from CTF controller adapted into builder. A single check is done by pressing build

		button once, with this option set. Each time when build button is pressed we are simulating a Bot re-spawned picking such thing like it does in a CTF match so if you want to check what is about definitely build button has to be pressed many times. I think this feature will except good minutes spent testing a CTF map in run-time. In Editor, in a single minute you might figure how are sorted AlternatePath actors. Another test would be when Bot is flag carrier but that thing has to be implemented first. Probably these tests are way pretty conclusive.
bRemoveNoReachPaths	-	<p>This option removes from the navigation points the items listed as visible and inaccessible paths by creatures that cannot fly to reach them and who do not have any navigation specifications not even if they could fly, these points may have directives to reach the current point, but the current point has no reachSpecs for reaching them. I have successfully removed these references and I have had no problem, maybe I just got a smaller map talking about the size on disk. April 2020 - other bytes from network will be removed, previous Unreal Editors did not even use these and maps are working. As for those poorly pathed that's another story...</p> <hr/> <p>Recommendation for manual paths tweaking. Use this option if you are doing major changes with PathsLinker builder. Map should not use old internal extra chained references. You can save an alternate copy and check if something went wrong. ALL time a new navigation point added will need to be chained in main NavigationPointlist and reachspecs data added, but other internal references at UScript Level won't match. By removing junks nothing goes damaging unless you do damage yourself by deleting nodes and leaving reachSpecs referencing them. Update September 2022 XC_PathsWorker compiled in XC 24 and XC_EditorAdds might be more useful as they work in a more clean way, we can drop out useless paths and there won't be needed any VisNoReachPath taking space with these references.</p>
bCheckDuplicates	bRemoveDuplicates - this is a sub-option for check and will cause attempting a removal of duplicated actors.	Checking map for duplicated actors - for me those maps are not healthy. This is a different option, you will want to take in account GreenNote about this option. After cleaning Actors with a dedicated Tag, these will have to be checked because builder does a reset at these ex-duplicated actors. Events connected to these actors must be examined because cleaning task it's based on working with Tags which are defaulted after cleaning work.
bPurgeDupes2	-	Used for a direct cleaning in a fresh loaded map. This is an alternate cleaning solution - written a bit different. Here Actors cleaned will have default Tag like when mappers have added them. If these are connected to some Events you have to re-edit the Tag accordingly.
bScanTeamStarts	-	<p>Can be used for CTF maps for checking how many PlayerStart actors are assigned for each team in order to balance start locations. Results are logged - see console log. Update September 2020 We have a report for more than two teams but, textures are toggled only for common two teams 0 1. Update February 2020 Fixed detection Active/Inactive team based. Update November 2022 Solved colors toggling for all 4 Teams.</p>
bFindVoidBuggers	- Updated later - Dec 2020 Added sub option for deleting some of these useless actors.	It causes a report toward actors placed into void which have no usage that way - items, navigationpoints, lights, decorations, etc. Note that not everything placed into void is wrong. Triggers, Keypoints, AmbientSounds are not having/causing issues here unless are really far away from game ground for no reason, only loading map with junk actors. This is based on iLeaf data.
bcheckZones	-	This will look if map has zoning problems, it shows when two or multiple ZoneInfo actors are in the same zone because map has leaks or has a bad setup.
bDisconnectN1toN2	- N1 N2 - parameters being NavigationPoint's names for the path that has to be nulified. Must be defined or else nothing will be done.	As shown in name, the path going from NavigationPoint1 to NavigationPoint2 will be removed from Paths list and UpStreampaths. This is addressing those paths making a bad angle with a ledge and closer to a wall where Bot has problem or jumping is causing loops.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - bGet1stN1 - helper for auto-completing selected node as N1; - bGet2ndN2 - helper for auto-completing selected node as N2. <p>During time when helpers are used, main deconnector should stay False. First we are completing N1 and N2 and THEN we disconnect them. These are optional helping toward speed operation.</p>	<p>ReachSpec exist in map but is removed from navigation like in the case of TranslocDest done via stock UScript. We can use this option for Lift Combos where bot is jumping and takes a lot of damage restricting him from using that down-way - eg. Disconnecting Path from a LiftExit to a LiftCenter and Bot will go only from LiftCenter to LiftExit because reversal is nullified. More explained in BlueNote.</p> <p>Auto completing might have a later reaction due to GUI structures - see note below table.</p> <p>Update September 2022</p> <p>Here paths that are dropped out can be nullified and later removed by XC_PathsWorker. This will end in reducing ReachSpecs array an keeping only useful data in Level.</p>
bScanDefences	-	<p>Performing a check for Team-Games specific maps in order to count DefensePoint type actors - how many they are for each team. Option will assign some textures visible to these actors for being well visible. By using this option again, they are reverted back to default texture.</p> <p>Update September 2020</p> <p>We have logs for all team colors - 4 teams but textures are toggled only for two teams. Even in MultiCTF games we might want to check map's balance.</p>
bStaticDecos	-	<p>Some maps have destructible decorations set to static. These usually create fragments that abuse the engine operation because once set to bStatic, they are not removed and continue to produce fragments. In order not to ruin the look and the idea, we stabilize these SELECTED decorations and marked bStatic = True by transforming them into blockers that do not cause any problems, being customized exactly as the original decoration and removing it from the stage. So we dispose of the garbage made by these altered decorations.</p> <p>Since May 2020 decorations out of bStatic can be also morphed into non-spam actors.</p>
bDoKickSound	-	<p>An easy as a pie task for some kicker, not really for multiple kickers in one spot, geniuses. You can use ONE kicker with collision adjusted. This will map for you that Jump Sound doing all setup for a selected kicker. And no, we do not need any Trigger, Kicker is capable to do an Event itself without external support, just look at the damn code... it's english not birdisch language.</p>
bShowCharCodes	-	<p>Might be needed some coding helper for certain characters. It shows char codes 0-255 and symbol accordingly - logged.</p>
bFindMapReachSpecs	-	<p>This feature is an attempt (good to me) at showing mainly ALL reachSpecs which a map might have - happens after repeated not needed builds, leaving a lot of junk data, structures which Editor won't show unless you are deleting paths and log will report how many reachspecs were eliminated. Here things are different from previous feature because we don't see only referenced in nodes reachspecs, we can have a clue about all reachspecs. If it's a big map when this is used I recommend hiding log or else it takes time to render everything. If this process is crashing Editor, this means that map has evil bytes left.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Starting with August 2020, code here was a bit adjusted because I found ugly things in certain maps speaking about references from reachSpecs. These could crash Editor and... depending on how much is corrupted map-file, this stunt can be a crusher. However, logging works and we can have a clue about map's charge. Log Window is closed if it was open during this check because logging hundreds of reachSpecs takes ages. After finishing the task if Editor is alive it will open Log Window itself.</p>
bLevelLinks	-	<p>It would have been one of commands, mythological in the UT Editor, meant to show map links to other servers or locations by reporting the URL from a Teleporter.</p>
bLevelValidateMap	-	<p>The same myth type as above but it would do a check for an empty Level - lol. PlayerStart-s and their usage, Map's Title. Perhaps this would be a must-have. This is a sort of reality for that never working command, but at UScript Level.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Starting with August 2020 here are done basic checks at TrapSpringer actors (if mappers have a clue about</p>

		<p>using them) and also if map uses a DistanceLightning which is crapped up in Net Games. It is recommended replacing it with other stuff for servers. I wrote such a Lightning fully functional.</p> <p>Update September 2022</p> <p>It will be a report based on a basic tracing concerning a Sky-Box and stupid "asteroids" which nobody can see On-Line as result of a mindless Copy-Paste activity taken from stock assets that are not having too much Networking deal.</p>
bLevelFix	-	<p>Another myth which refers at fixing some SoundRadius - I don't now if prior versions of Editor were borked at this point allowing dumb things to get thrown in map. Perhaps this has no use in this environment but it doesn't hurt being added.</p>
bFindAnActor	<p>- ActorClass - name of class which we want found, counted and selected;</p> <p>- ActorTag - name of Tag used by Actors and/or class if specified to be selected and counted.</p> <p>At least one of these must be defined.</p>	<p>I wrote this for figuring if exist whatever class, else if exist a number of actors having a specified common tag. By example SpawnPoint actors used in MonsterHunt for a CreatureFactory it's pointless if it goes at more than 16 per factory - n00b mapping. Here are selected All Actors matching class and tag or only tag or only class specified and also they are counted and result logged. Here you can simply count PathNodes or whatever actors with or without to specify a tag.</p>
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bCheckNavChain	-	<p>When some map is developing a funky navigation crash or it doesn't seems to work even if it's not over-sized, it worth a check if all navigation points are connected into a navigation chain known as NavigationPointList. If map is nothing like a special one (with dynamic stuff embedded) this linked list should be there with everything connected. If not, map it's screwed up - no worries there are mappers/non-mappers/fake mappers not knowing exactly what they do at random.</p>
bCheckFakeSpecs	-	<p>Alternate check if everything does looks fine but it's not. Some duplicated navigation actor might hold valid reachSpecs but original one it's missing creating a breach, with a fake NavigationPointList.</p> <p>Update November 2022</p> <p>News coming in 2022 are showing that DescribeSpec used for this detection cannot reveal lousy paths that are matching only Start and End but not if they are supposed PrunedPaths or normal Paths. So results here are inaccurate/incomplete. Some assets are adding PrunedPaths out of their corresponding places messing Builder detection.</p>
Update July 2020		
bReplaceItems	<p>- NewItem - an Inventory subclass defined as name for selection replacement</p>	<p>Selected Item(s) subclass of Inventory can be replaced here with NewItem defined as class-name eg: ripper without quotes or anything if NewItem is defined and bool set to True then hitting Build button. This is not exactly a raw replacement, it will copy relationship with InventorySpot in maps pathed, which usually needs some manual work around using advanced actor editing, and then rebuilding paths might be damaging for custom tweaking. It will make Bots to recognize new replaced item exactly as it was the original old item.</p>
bDownLights	<p>- IfMoreThan - byte field, max 255 for possible values</p> <p>- AdjustTo - the same</p> <p>- RadiusBigger - the same</p> <p>- RadiusAdjust - the same</p>	<p>If map has bugging powerful lightning we can demand all lights to be put down as follows:</p> <p>- Any light with brightness bigger than value IfMoreThan will have value AdjustTo.</p> <p>- Any light having LightRadius bigger than value RadiusBigger will be adjusted to RadiusAdjust.</p> <p>Eg: 250 and 180 - everything bigger than 250 will have 180 - in a single BUILD click.</p>
Update August 2020		
bHlpAddActor	<p>- NearbyActor - An actor defined as class-name eg. SpecialEvent, which is added around a selected actor from map at X Y coordinates, Z being configurable using...;</p> <p>- ZPos - defined Z difference at New Actor placed near the selected one(s)</p>	<p>This option is used for adding another actor nearby selected one, where the type of new added one must be specified and also an optional height difference. By example we can add a SpecialEvent to a Trigger located in map leaving place for selecting them later one by one, we don't need to put them exactly in the same place, so we can use Z difference in UU (UnrealUnits). These are not connected Event-Tag as long as they can be different types with different purposes.</p>
bAddInvSpot	<p>- InvSpot - a custom subclass of an InventorySpot which can be connected as valid point using</p>	<p>If we have a map where a new weapon or item is added post pathing and custom tweaking and we don't need to ruin the previous work, we can map for this item</p>

	builders for tweaking paths, like PathsLinker or XC_EditorAdds from XC_EngineV24; - InvSpHeight - Height difference (UU) on Z axis between Inventory and InventorySpot class added.	automatically connected MyMarker-MarkedItem a plain InventorySpot class or... a custom one having whatever properties - item must be selected. All advanced editing is not necessary, builder does the relation between item and Navigation Point in a blink, these properties are not normally visible for editing but they can be seen using Advanced Actor Editing. Sample Commands: EditActor Name="RocketPack12" EditActor Name="InventorySpot29" To keep in Mind: Node is added but it will need to be chained in NavigationPointlist - builder can do these unlink>re-link things, here are needed also paths to/from this new navigation actor, PathsLinker in UGold can do these connections by generating user defined reachSpecs. XC_PathsWorker can also connect two selected nodes with Reachspecs that are tested for plain Nodes.
bScriptHNode	-	Script Generators - more in Yellow Notes Generates in Log a compilable script for a HuntNode, subclass of PathNode. Can be used successfully in MonsterHunt, but it requires compiling the script which is recommended without MonsterHunt package loaded. Original MonsterHunt won't help in compiling assets and then you might want an external package ready compiled and imported for usage. Advanced mappers are the main audience here.
bScriptPathSwitch	-	Generates in Log a compilable script for a PathsSwitcher subclass of BlockedPath that must be compiled as well. It toggles paths when triggered and it should not have shortcut paths over it.
bScriptBotJumper	-	Generates in Log a compilable script subclass of Triggers aiming Bot. Stock Jumper class is aiming Monsters, Bot won't react at that thing. If your Bot needs to jump in some funky geometry stuff, this trigger can be very useful. Usually where paths are a bit forced and Bot has problems, a trigger working with a small delay is a jewel. This one can be turned off/on triggered, if situation requires this action.
bLoadAMyLevel	- APackageName - here you need to mention filename.extension which will be morphed into a MyLevel package for being mapped in current session. Example: swJumpPad.u Note: Classes which are not used are lost from map. In next mapping session you won't have them available any more and later if you want these, package will need to be reimported.	According to custom scripts that are compiled in packages aiming MyLevel, this option will operate importing command for map's MyLevel - the pseudo-package which belongs to map itself not as an external package. Any known file by UT located inside UT and defined in Paths can be loaded and morphed in MyLevel, Textures Sounds, etc. Builder won't load anything which cannot be found in Sand-Box aka UT install path. I did not tried another drive or external path. Note: If package MyLevel is being loaded-created before loading target map for usage, it seems that this operation works at first hit otherwise it might need to be fired twice followed by refreshing browsing assets section. Package for MyLevel it's recommended to be a good one. Corrupted packages crashing Editor are not my problem after all, they are all yours.
bAdvActorEdit	-	There are commands for opening properties for certain actor. We do not need to write stories in console, we are selecting target actor for editing and we use this bool set to True followed by BUILD button. It opens actor properties based on Name used by actor not based on class definition. Actually builder is writing a ConsoleCommand like this: EditActor Name="PathNode0" . That's why PathNode0 must be selected. One actor at time. This way you can see if a NavigationPoint has junks or it doesn't have connections, you can adjust PrePivot of a FlagBase, etc.
bCheckNoPasses	-	It does a check in Navigation Network testing if there are elements without any incoming path, being One Way. The deal is that not everything in stage is damaging or critical, but in a CTF map such a FlagBase has all chances to not be visited by Bots very soon, unless map has all sort of craps around Flag and the FlagBase is touching a Bot by mistake or vice-versa. In other case a PathNode in a tunnel or small area if is a point important in a route, if it doesn't have any incoming paths it might be a break point, Bots not following that way. Such sample maps are a lot but I won't nominate UNR Bot trashes here. In MonsterHunt where SpawnPoints are higher for Gasbags, technically these are not a big problem, but I found some modified map where such a point was breaking Bot attack (original was working well - the edited one was ruined not edited), because that SpawnPoint has generated a


		<p>broken route without having any incoming path. We can examine map and focusing on Log instead of scrolling for finding buggers.</p> <p>___ A to do ?</p> <p>Perhaps in future I'll do a report for supposed EndPoints. Such Node usually has a single incoming path. Bot coming here for some reason will never return into Paths-Net - it's a rare thing but it happens. Definitely a Weapon placed in a deeper hole can cause such a scenario.</p>
bDoTagMovers	-	<p>This can be... a rare need. If Movers from a messed up map are not having anything with paths and they need to be tagged and you are getting tired of developing names, movers having default tags are going to be tagged with unique Tags that can be easily copied at their combos for LiftTag values.</p>
Update September 2020		
bGridPlacement	GridSize x y z - optional grid size - current grid can be ignored and used a custom one.	<p>Selected actors are snapped at grid using value defined or... not defined but auto-detected. Here we are talking about properties of selected actors, world collision and placement collision. They have to be de-collided or else might not be snapped at grid. This can be used where certain actors must be at grid with any matter. Brushes are not an exception.</p>
bScriptMyLink	-	<p>Generates in Log a compilable script for a MyLink subclass of Teleporter causing forced paths that must be compiled as well. When Editor won't connect certain Paths these actors can do that if Pawn roamer can follow this way or else map will have an impossible to follow path during run-time.</p>
bAdjAProperty	theProperty - a property name theValue - desired new value	<p>Selected actors which needs to have certain properties where Editor doesn't allow editing and they need advanced editing that can be changed at once. By example InitialState for whatever actor that usually cannot be edited normally.</p>
bCheckEndBreaks	-	<p>Nothing needs to be selected here. Map will have a basic check at combos of type LE-LC-LE which some people are not understanding making LE-LC and causing useless break-points as long as a LiftCenter and subclasses won't get any link forward to a PathNode because it needs the second Exit (or Entry), this being the minimal charge for a combo and not other way. The check means that if LiftCenter has a private LiftTag defined - even if is connected with a very nearby mover-lift and doesn't have only two reachSpecs linked to a single LiftExit type - that's wrong/incomplete. Results are logged. We can have Paths mapped manually but here is about a poor number of reachSpecs (two pieces) connected to the same point - wrong pathing. Pawn is accepted for navigation if has a sum of reachspecs connected until the searched goal location, without gaps. Of course this check won't find all bugs which geniuses are doing but... it's better than nothing and it works faster than for a manual check of combos from map.</p>
Update October 2020		
bCheckSpawnRotation	-	<p>It does a check through PlayerStart type actors. PlayerStarts turned with face at walls and having default rotation while are facing wall are reported. RocketArena mutators and similar ones with "splashdamage" weapons might do damage at player spawned On-Line when fire command reacts delayed and there is no spawn protection. Beside this... I think spawning with Face at Wall is TRASH in all ways, n00bs should learn mapping. First thing for player fresh spawned should be environment/design and not a stupid wall.</p>
b2ExchgPlaces	-	<p>All it does it's exchanging places for two selected actors. Actor A goes to Actor's B Location and Actor B goes to Actor's A location. In certain cases there are needed moving Actors elsewhere, We are adding something temporary, we are exchanging places and we are deleting temporary actor - no need to keep in mind X,Y,Z coordinates. However by exchanging places for two Inventories post-pathing this will mess up the link with InventorySpot connected. Sometimes if we have a manual pathing work we don't want the all previous work ruined by rebuilding paths. As result Next feature will recover the link with nearest selected InventorySpot where an Inventory was moved. Item moved has to be connected with a nearby InventorySpot.</p>

bLinkExchgItem	-	If an Inventory has exchanged place with other one, we can link ONE exchanged Inventory with ONE InventorySpot - both of them selected. For the second Inventory and InventorySpot will be needed the same operation - Selecting them and connecting them with this option. Note: Default InventorySpot class in Editor is invisible . Make sure you know what you do or else better rebuild paths if you think that something is wrong. This is an advanced option which I needed post-pathing and post-paths-tweaking, it might be too complicated for some people.
bDoComboLinks	-	Almost self-explanatory, Lift combos with or without a Lift in stage for being recognized and not mapped crapped up paths through walls and impossible to follow routes, have to be marked with a common LiftTag (advanced mappers know what is that). Instead of inventing names or whatever duplicates causing issues, we are selecting these ALWAYS THREE or more navigation combo actors engaged for that combo place (and THE LIFT if exists) then we are using this option for generating a name for future pathing links. It's unique as long as map doesn't have duplicated actors or whatever - other TRASH more exactly. This feature was added in latest UT469 patch but... that one has an option for a custom defined LiftTag. I don't think it's even needed wasting time with naming actors, it's irrelevant. Builder will use a string based on first seen selected Actor-Name and a suffix "_MG". All combo elements are tagged this way and we don't care how do they sound like, we need final paths to be logically connected. Of course, it works out of Lifts for JumpSpots, TranslocDest, etc. and similar sub-classes generating unique names for future links into selected combos. As it can be noticed, this should be done before building paths. Yes, this option is for those mappers knowing what is map's navigation, not for everyone.
bLoadStockTex	-	It loads majority of stock textures (not player skins and other skins), this is doable before to start mapping in order to have everything from stock available without inspecting Browser and opening a texture all the time. Cave At: After loading textures, if they cannot be seen yet in Textures Browser, you have to trigger browser to refresh textures/packages. I'm using "ToggleDockStatus" button pressed twice: undock - dock. Editor has a slow reaction at GUI elements especially where it did not worked at anything, new elements are not updated instantly - not even in 227. I think are more handy a few clicks for loading stock assets than X clicks for each texture loaded separate. Option is turned OFF after use - logically we don't need to load twice stock textures.
Update November 2020		
bLiftTrigger	-	Builder will add a Trigger for a Lift when a navigation point for said Lift is selected. A trigger might be needed for calling Lift from a top position in order to get down without jumping, falling and taking damage. In such a case usually are needed two triggers Top Bottom for moving lift. Trigger will be Tagged automatically but collision for trigger will need a check for potential desired changes. Mover-Lift will be set to TriggerOpenTimed as InitialState.
bNoOverCrowded	- FreeSpotSize - radius for checking multiple PathNodes	Builder will do a CleanUp - Paths must be rebuild after this. When more PathNodes are charged for no reason in a small area, this insanity can have a cleaning option here by picking a free radius in UU which must be free between two PathNodes. Example 120, after this task any PathNode will have minimum 120 UU from other PathNodes. I wrote this because not in a single map I found such a trash. These nodes overcrowding area causes default DevPath to setup funky loops and they aren't useful. This option is a blind task, it will need an examination for preventing unwanted effects where map is really requiring more PathNodes so it is advisable not using a big cleaning range. I'm using to keep at least 60 UU minimum between PathNodes as much as possible. Inventories around are already generating charges. Code probably will be modified in future updates for making this option more efficient.
bGetTargTeleporter	- TheTeleporter - AutoCompleted when Teleporter target is selected or it can be written	This option works as first step before next one establishing a future connection between two Teleporters before building paths. It generates a Tag

	manually and option won't need to be used, but next option will be required.	for a selected Teleporter which will be auto-completed - used as Destination. This option is not needed if variable <TheTeleporter> is manually completed - the name of actor Teleporter is required here. It's easier and handy to allow builder for capturing Teleporter as variable for Destination instead of writing it manually.
bLinkThisTeleporter	- Requires a selected Teleporter which will get connected to TheTeleporter .	Another Selected single Teleporter will be set as Source for previous Destination manually set or autocompleted with previous option. These two teleporters can be also connected in reverse (bi-directional) by doing similar steps with teleporters, select the Destination - Build, select Source - Build. URL for Source Teleporter will match the Tag for Destination if everything was done correctly. I'm using this option as a quicker linking method because I don't want to put names at Teleporters. DevPath doesn't need Human words after all. Update March 2021 Teleporters added in whatever spot using current builder - for a future node replacement - will be in account too as long as it was aiming tagged Teleporters placed by mapper, now empty Tags are completed and Teleporters will have desired links. If anything else goes wrong they need to be declared manually.
Update December - 2020 - January - 2021 - various code updates at PlayerStarts counting - some spelling changes.		
bUnLinkSelecPoints	-	Function is addressing one or more Navigation Points. If we want these out of navigation chain because they do not have paths or we deleted paths (reachSpecs) we can prepare these for being removed by unlinking them from navigation chain but keeping the rest of chain untouched if map has some zoning issues and we don't want to rebuild chain completely. We select the node, then we are using this option for being unlinked. Previous node and next node are going referenced each-other leaving out selection.
bLinkSelecPoints	-	This function does the reversal of previous. We can add a new PlayerStart for Navigation chain without rebuilding paths if we don't want more reachSpecs. PlayerStart chained will follow teaming rules and enabled/disabled settings otherwise games are iterating for finding a start spot with any matter. This option can be used even as tester if a Navigation Point is already chained or it was added and forgot in the wild. This way we are iterating a lot of times and then we don't want to add hundreds of points at once, it might crash Editor. Points are added only if another Navigation Actors are found nearby, linked and not far at more than 1600 UU for being compatible with navigation if in next moments some reachSpecs are going to be defined (U227 has this feature through PathLinker builder). I wrote this when I forgot something and I had to add it post paths tweaking and I did not wanted to repeat the whole tweaking work. Update September 2022 New nodes in chain can have paths using XC_PathsWorker and working with no headaches.
bFindVoidBuggers ->	- bDelVoidBuggers	This comes nearby bFindVoidBuggers (working together) option for deleting some of these actors having no purpose into void such as Lights or PathNodes - nothing goes there... This is recommended if map has the right zoning or else it will do damage by removing normal actors. Usually 227 might be funky with zones and then it's advisable to do a simple check first leaving this False. If map has no issues with other actors and actors from void are indeed into void and useless, this option will remove them - only several classes and not everything as long as a map might use certain decorations and stuff passing through void. Lights out of custom tags, Inventories, Navigation Actors are candidates for being removed automatically.
Update February - 2021		
bCheckLoadedSpots	- LoadPercent - % reachSpecs percent loaded Navigation Actors	This option shows which nodes have defined percent charge with reachSpecs - I'm checking 60%. In the most of cases these loaders are not helping in open areas, nodes around can be linked each-other without these loads which can be removed and paths-net rebuilt. Goal is examining loads causing a high amount of reachSpecs and which can be discarded/removed. You can have a clue which items can be reduced pre-pathing and added back Post Pathing for preventing overcrowded paths.

bCheckMultipleActors	-	Surprisingly, I did not see only duplicated actors named identically, I also could see TWO sniperrifles as a sample, in the same location, same rotation, everything was the same but indeed having different names. Two weapons in the same place are only generating spam paths with Zero length reachSpecs - there is no logic at all for such things. Builder is recommending rebuilding map and/or paths if here have been removed certain actors logging which ones, their destruction will occur by default. If you want to keep those junks, don't save map after using this option and reload everything again. As sample, here I removed paths first and then checked map only with main actors out of navigation data. Items duplicated have been deleted reducing more than 300 reachSpecs after creating a new paths-net.
Update March - 2021		
bFindTrapPoints	-	This option is another feature for testing navigation nodes, those causing a "dead-end". Pawn is heading to this point for some reason (weapon dropped or mapped) and it won't return back into Paths-Network because all routes are not continuing anywhere from these Nodes but heading here.
bChangePathsColors	- MonsterPathColor, BotPathColor Variables set directly as colors for original Editor used by Paths. ViewPort must be set for Show Paths flag from context menu triggered from viewport's top bar using normally the right mouse-click, in order to see paths.	This option is exclusive for original UT Editor out of any XC assets or whatever update at Editor's Interface. Paths lines aka reachSpecs are Blue or Red. Blue being a "good" path it's in fact a more monster-compatible path when Red "bad" one is restrictive mainly taken by Bots not exactly what tutorials are saying based on guessing. When Bot has issues with paths it's because there are ONE-WAY connected or not connected, it's not about colors when it comes to Bot chapter. Bot is using any sort of path if said path does exist. Here if we want some visual ergonomics we can change these Blue-MonsterPathColor and Red-BotPathColor with other colors chosen directly - we can see exactly what we want how does it looks like. Map can be darker or lighter and we can set these colors for being more visible as possible.
bRedFlagIsRed	-	Maybe it's self-explanatory. If not, let's say this option it's mainly for orientation of editing. If FlagBase in a CTF map belongs to team zero-red, this option makes it to look exactly like Red Flag from map's run-time. Option works only if our Red-Flag it's not customized other way. Usually RedFlag is morphing its Skin in run-time using PostBeginPlay. You don't have to use this option if you have another custom options here. Option goes inactive automatically after usage even if Editor's GUI has a default delay.
bFixScaledCollisions	-	Option good for setting up collision cylinder for Decorations and fixing Pawns back for preventing trashing pawn's run-time collision. Decorations re-scaled will have cylinder calculated based on DrawScale. Pawns altered are reverted back because this is WRONG. Pawns should never be adjusted in maps as long as they are calculating their cylinder themselves.
Small fixes at counting removal of void actors, only those which are really useless placed like that.		
Update April - 2021		
Here we have changes at old functions, CreatureFactory/ThingFactory have extra-checks not only tweaks, stock abstract prototypes used in Factories are checked and reported - these will never spawn. They have been added because some people in 2021 are still sleeping in shoes when it comes to settings - Slow down drugs and drinking, boys, it's damaging for your brain... Small changes at logs, and other such improvements.		
bGetMinScanRange	-	This function it's not addressing stock assets for A.I. paths definition. Stock Editor uses a range around PathNodes of 1000 UU for calculating paths. Sometimes this does a map overload without helping, and even does damage this way. Other builders such as XC_EditorAdds from older XCv21 and more newer XCv25b so far are having this range flexible/configurable - and XC_PathsWorker too. In order to have a clue what sort of paths are in maps, this function does a report of paths based on reachSpecs. In the most of cases long paths can be excepted because map has many paths linking nodes point by point and reaching at a target without extra-shortcuts. These long paths might be damaging at ledges in various angles and causing Pawn looping, extra processing. Function doesn't do anything at map but it is reporting paths, excepting

		hard-coded ones with fixed distance in reachSpecs, ignored by Paths Builders during plain paths mapping. It recommends a range interval for use in order to minimize creating a mountain of reachSpecs. Long Paths which might not be covered this way can be completed with one or two missing nodes in a second build, map remaining with a decent load. I don't expect to see more users of this feature, for me is good enough at helping me to optimize paths network in decent limits.
bLowerMovers	- MoverLocateZ - distance into ground	If you want to build map with Movers buried into void you can move all Movers down with a defined value in UU UnrealUnits.
bUpperMovers	- - -	Reversal of previous function, adds movers back in their places. These two options are not must, Movers should have lightning properties adjusted or else they go darker...
bImportTexture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NamedFile - File-Name+extension and/or full path for file location - Eg: C:\SShot.bmp or C:\SShot.pcx - one file at time - this is mandatory; - ImportDestPackage - package where Texture will go, if not defined, builder will use MyLevel; - InGroup - if future Texture needs a specific group; - MIPSValue - parameter MIPS On/Off; - TexCompType - supported type of compressions such as P8, DXT=1, or custom for various add-ons; - TexFlags - means Flags=0 1 2 3 whatever according to texture needs, it will be masked, translucent, etc - see Wiki or check them directly; - TexLODSet - means LODSET=0 1 2. 	<p>Importing texture support - tested PCX v5, Raw BMP 24 bits. It does an importing command, it even loads files outside of UT path WITHOUT SPACE in paths or file-names. Texture imported will have name truncated at 8 characters.</p> <p>A ConsoleCommand is created and shown at user in log, then it will be sent for importing execution.</p> <p>If extra importing parameters are not used (Group, Mips, Type, Flags, LODSET), importing it's done in default format as by browsing files from Texture Browser and loading them from there - not masked. In this format Black is usually visible as black and not masked and invisible.</p> <p>Textures must be compatible with Engine's requests or else they fail importing.</p> <p>Images format for import are not part of discussions here, read tutorials before using Editor - it is not for everybody, supposed alpha males not reading anything are usually failing at UT's Editor, no kidding. If Editor it's empty or has only a CUBE, you can try importing texture using various parameters and look if it suits your needs.</p>
bLoadStockSnds	-	A helper for loading stock sounds, without voices. It's aiming mover design and miscellaneous ambient sound settings based on stock Sound files. It's preventing wasting time for loading/selecting files one by one and examining stock options.
<p style="text-align: center;">Update May - 2021</p> <p>Small adds in codes, hiding log if it's open while textures files are loaded or sounds files, etc. Getting LevelInfo master actor for executing all builder specific operations will have another way, iterating through 10 possible options, LevelInfo0 to LevelInfo10. It should be enough, else using more maps loaded one after another it might deliver corruptions, it's a bad practice to not restart Editor and keeping things clean from time to time.</p>		
bRepLostInvSpots		Reporting InventorySpot NavigationPoints which are no longer having links with a closer item, item which from now on won't be a Bot target unless a novice bot is blindly heading to this InventorySpot using a random sorting solution without a calculated desire on purpose.
bCheckBadPrePivot		This is advisable to be used after making a map backup. It does a check and rounding floating numbers of a PrePivot concerning brushes. In a map at a moment I could solve a BSP issue by rounding PrePivot to the nearest integer. Easy way is doing this everywhere and builder can do this task faster than manually checking and adjusting brushes one by one. If this action is damaging something it is advisable to resume work from backup and trying another solution if the brush or more brushes are badly rammed for some reason.
bCheckBigCylinders		Option is checking actors having a big collision cylinder which usually are a game slow-down. Here is nothing adjusted but reported. We take in account a big radius and big height. A BlockAll having a small height but a big radius covering an area won't be reported, such BlockAll might be needed for preventing access in certain map area.
<p style="text-align: center;">Update September 2021</p>		
bCheckDuplicates2		Alternate option for duplicates if first option is crashing Editor at iterations boundary - Switching

		temporary -norunaway in Editor's command-line might be helpful even for first option. Also it performs removal of duplicated actors if is declared bTryFixDuplicates .
bCheckFixActorsZones		In certain maps a number of actors or even all of them are not updated normally when it comes to zone parameters. When certain feature wants to get rid of buggers from void, first it is needed a check if actors are indeed into the void. With this option actors are reinforced in their location making Engine to update iLeaf ZoneNumber and bWaterZone, mainly parameters concerning their real Location.
bAnimateIt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AnimName - name of animation sequence used; - AnimRate - Animation speed usually 0.2 - 1.0; 	<p>This option allows testing or making whatever selected actor or a group of actors having as display type DT_Mesh to loop certain animation if that sequence is embedded in the mesh which they use. In order to figure animation you need viewport to be selected in RealTime Preview from top bar of ViewPort used and walking a bit through ViewPort after applying option or a click inside it for triggering a render update.</p>  <p>Animations missing are reported and if that mesh is not having requested animation nothing will be animated. Option stays Active after usage as long as more actors can be mapped with active animations, YES, animations will stay in map, if you re-open map in other editing session, animated actors checked from a closer spot are still running animations in RealTime Preview.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Update November 2021</p> <p>Changes concerning ScriptedPawn checks, several things did not work as expected. Typo fixes.</p> <p>Changes for checking scaled collisions - Pawns are reverted to default data without discrimination. It's plain stupid to adjust a Pawn just for the sake of doing settings. This option is advisable to be used in Assault maps BEFORE adding FortStandards or simply not using it. Forts sometimes need fine tuning for operating normally.</p>		
bMapTranslatorEvents	-	<p>This option is aiming Tournament games, maps with Translators and TranslatorEvents will use normal Triggers and SpecialEvent actors automatically. That F2 command didn't work in a MonsterHunt server On-Line and I don't know when things will be changed. Nobody could read those stories after all.</p> <p>Builder here is adding triggers, creating events and pointing events at SpecialEvent actors added in range. Player will be able to read what was all about, simple as that without those assets never done for Tournament Games.</p>
bCleanUselessTags		This option will remove Tag assigned by Editor at Brushes - excepting Movers. A brush it's not intended to be triggered, it cannot be even read during run-time, so having these bytes loaded doesn't make any sense.
<p style="text-align: center;">Update December 2021</p>		
bCheckItemPickup	-	Testing an Inventory from map if it has a good A.I. access. Pawn moving for Pickup will attempt to reach in location not only touching pickup. This might return a clumsy behavior or it won't be accessible in that rat-hole. This is mainly a sort of test, a pickup if it's placed like that on purpose, it won't always be damaging.
<p style="text-align: center;">Update January 2022</p> <p>Small code updates and tiny logging corrections.</p> <p>Nodes without incoming connections and being InventorySpot type will report which inventory has no incoming paths. It looks needed because the boys weren't having "InventorySpot100" after rebuilding paths and living with idea that things are fixed. A simple rebuild doesn't fix anything, bug is moved to the newer "InventorySpot223" whatever... Bug generator it's the Inventory bad placed, so it will be reported as well because it will still generate a navigation point which doesn't have a "long-range" access or it might be even a break-point depending on geometry.</p>		
bTestAbstract	- WhichClass - name of class written here and auto-adjusted by Editor (ex. Pawn -> Engine.Pawn)	This feature will check if an actor can be or not used directly or as connected variable for an actor that spawns tested actor at a moment. Abstract classes cannot be used this way and user might want to know which class is abstract and cannot be mapped directly. We allow a kicker to kick "Pawn", it's concerning all

		creatures, but CreatureFactory won't spawn "Pawns". Whatever has to be visible, it will not spawn as gaming stuff. The report also shows if this class was compiled or it's a junk in map not compiled because code has syntax flaws or logic flaws or connected assets are missing or are screwed up or any lousy reason.
Update May 2022		
Added option bClientNav, adds regarding to MonsterHunt specific checks for monsters, rewriting the most of codes for discarding BotPack dependencies but still capable to operate current set of tasks/options, small code fixes for CTF maps without AlternatePaths but attempting checks toward sorting them.		
bClientNav	-	This verification is done at the navigationpoints that make up a static network and I suspect that it should remain static in the client connected to a server without creating zero copies (without navigation data) based on replication of actor type objects in the client's game map. Navigation chain will remain untouched as long as any NavigationPoint delegated to move (LiftCenter like) should remain original and it will have bNoDelete = True. If not, client will use a corrupted Navigation Chain and I'm not sure if Garbage Collector will encounter or not issues when map is being switched. ReachSpecs data from client will point null references to actors that are nowhere, these are being "re-created" in client side. VisibleTeleporter is such a class reconstructed in client - this is what I could find myself. In such a situation when a NavigationPoint is removed, in a server the paths searching process will crash server. Client is not authoritative at this point but I don't think everything is normal even in this case. Adding ServerActors concerning Server-Side won't affect client if it doesn't know anything about them.
Update August 2022		
bListAGroup	- FromGroup - name of group studied	This option will print in log actors from a named group. Some Levels are just hosting empty groups without any purpose.
Update September 2022		
A few codes adjustments, more CleanUp concerning Navigation Nodes, changes in visual ergonomics when a Path (ReachSpec) from N1 to N2 is intended to get disconnected.		
Update October 2022		
Added a Sub-Option bTryFixHighNodes for a quick fix concerning PathNodes that are located in a bugged high position for Bots. Solution is simple but it can be improved in future. PathNodes are scaled for Bot specific size, adjusting collision rules and pushed lower 50 UU and then restored their default properties. 20-30 such Nodes are solved in seconds without wasting time fixing them one by one.		
bBotifyMyNodes	-	This option does move Navigation Actors of type PathNode more lower and closer to Bot's Size in order to mitigate some effects when they try to reach at certain original Node which is obviously placed much higher due to original purpose of these classes initially designed in Unreal and they were aiming monsters aka ScriptedPawns.
Update November 2022		
Adjusted the report for certain CleanUp task.		
bFatBoys	-	This option can be useful in plain areas where certain auto-pathing solution might add PathNodes very close to walls causing narrow paths. Here PathNodes are pushed away from walls using Engine itself. Solution is not the best option in ramps/stairs and then things will need to be adjusted with prior option and not using this option multiple times. Probably here things are going to be updated if a better solution will be figured out.
Update January 2023		
Increasing Range for probing Lift Combos - it looks needed in some maps... Added an option for visual aspect. Common checks concerning several stock triggers that might not have any purpose.		
bAdjustZItems	-	Items can be pushed upper a bit for causing them to be much well visible. Certain stock items are not having mesh entirely visible, they look buried in ground.
bCheckTriggers	-	This task will do a minimal check at stock "Triggers". Purpose is to find if these are miss-configured (pointless), such as no "Event" or a needed "Tag", or

		their "InitialState" is "None" and they need something declared.
<p>Update February 2023</p> <p>Adding option for recovering a messed up item or pawn. It looks like some maps are having hidden issues and... it's needed time for tracking lousy settings. By adding an original copy with default properties and deleting offenders things are turned back to normal.</p> <p>Completions at logs with explanations concerning ReachSpecs checks - limitations, and less accuracy due to bugs attached in 2022 - old UT doesn't include this new misery.</p> <p>Updating Option bBuildNavNetwork, option uses Editor for creating paths. After pathing task it will re-order Navigation chain attempting to gain a faster routing process during run-time.</p>		
bRefreshItems	-	This task is aiming a refresh of selected actor(s) by bringing an original class with all default properties. I think at C++ level inside engine an actor can be reset, but in UScript I'm not aware how to do that at this time - I went for a fresh copy. We talk not only about inventories that can be messed up but pawns as well. Other actors are not subject for this task unless will be needed other measures.
<p>Update April 2023</p> <p>Doing completions at rebuilding Navigation Chain, objectives are mapped first attempting to optimize run-time's routing process with less iterations - not only after building paths. Optimizing a bit script for generating a smaller file - it's not like we want editing environment's memory to get loaded too much.</p>		
<p>Update January 2025</p> <p>Solved a typo mistake "Y<->Z" concerning the check for brush "PrePivot" which caused Builder to not fix (round value) in some cases, also checked other reports and completing some data. Details are always found in "Editor.log" file which can be fully read after closing Unreal Editor. Further patches or whatever they are, might allow the "log" to be more readable from Editor.</p>		

Texture Importing - Wiki data and assets checking - might not be accurate.

LodSet =	<pre>0 = LodSet_None 1 = LodSet_World 2 = LodSet_Skin 8 = LodSet_Max //It's Crushing texture properties browser, no worries - because Untex.h enum ELODSet { LODSET_None = 0, // No level of detail mipmap tossing. LODSET_World = 1, // World level-of-detail set. LODSET_Skin = 2, // Skin level-of-detail set. LODSET_MAX = 8, // Maximum. }; then enum {MAX_TEXTURE_LOD=4}; (Then Max is lowered at 4) Will result LodSet_Engine - I have never seen that until now and I'm Not curious what does it do at render.</pre>
Mips	<pre>ON - Generate MipMaps OFF - No MipMaps</pre>
TexCompType	<pre>P8 RGBA7 RGB16 DXT1 RGB8 RGBA8 MAX - Myths or Not ? - I don't really trust everything in resources, some of them are simply Un-Finished... I cannot even say that importing command does what is expected because I did not check in detail that C++ which is difficult for me.</pre>
TexFlags	<pre>Must be checked because I see even Wiki having not really True things explained. 3 generates a masked texture in my machine too, etc. I imported using other flag and was masked and transparent in the same time... https://wiki.beyondunreal.com/Legacy:Ex ec_Directive</pre>

Misc. Reactions:

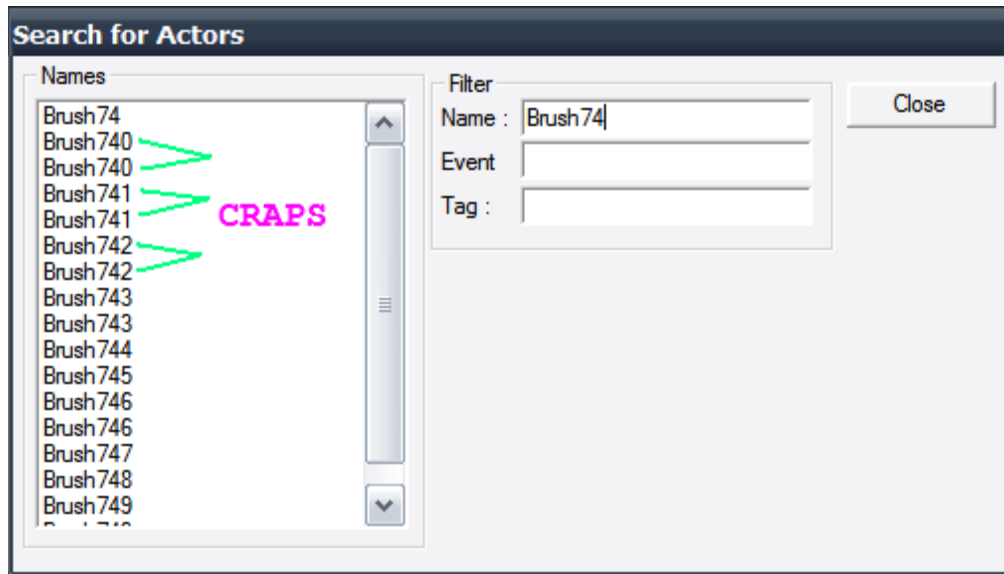
Builder like other ones might not have a quick GUI update especially where values are auto-completed/removed, Editor is focusing usually where you do mouse-clicks. By any matter values that are supposed to be auto-completed must be checked with a click on that field/variable. Don't forget that Log Window can be resized not like builder's one.

GreenNote:

bCheckDuplicates is addressing to perform a check into whatever Level for duplicated actors. After this check Editor has to be closed without saving map. This happens because behind this check you might have some Tags changed and you don't want any modification here - this was a strategy in hunting duplicated actors because they are really Evil in several cases. If builder

has logged duplicated actors you might record some names of duplicated actors before cleaning them, Eg: Brush740.

Cleaning task: Editor restarted, map opened, builder set to **True** for both these bools **bCheckDuplicates** and **bTryFixDuplicates** and press build button. At end of task (if Editor is alive) **SaveAs** map with another name (using suffix **_healed** or such). Close Editor and restart it, load map cleaned and look for those Actors recorded like Brush740. This way I used because Evil duplicated might go in deletion stage after a supposed cleaning done in multiple steps. When map is saved like that you might see those duplicates vanished at next load, gone for good. That's why cleaning must be done in this contest in a single move and fresh loaded map for preventing unwanted deletions. Product resulted should have other name saved immediately in order to keep original map if builder has failed the cleaning task. As an End-Note I used this builder to check a crusher map with said 68 Duplicated Actors - **DM-!DSF!-Harbour-Nights-v3-Rm.**



In cleaned map you are supposed to open advanced properties for such an old duplicated actor by writing in console something like in sample below

```
editactor name="Brush740"
```

if nothing happens, then said example Brush740 is gone, or if you can see it in map definitely it might be **bDeleteMe** and it will be lost soon (by copy-pasting it into a text editor you can see what I mean) - happens if you check and clean and re-clean map multiple times in the same editing session. If you don't want to screw up actors, clean a fresh loaded map and save it as a temporary map. If temporary map reloaded in another fresh session is good, then cleaning was successful. Once again, make sure about a copy of evil map, if you fail cleaning perhaps an alternate solution might help - manual washing MAP in TEXT format.

Note: Version February 2020 might do some clean-up using any of both methods in the same editing session, if this is a problem, try the clean work described.

As for cleaning duplicates, you will need log window open and you can repeat pressing build button until log is delivering a message tagged with **MapInGoodState**. This might be needed in maps having more than two duplicates of the same actor - even counting them it's not accurate. These are iterators, I think it's better than nothing. However, I recommend a refresh after cleaning map, like saving a copy of map, closing everything and opening Editor again. Iterations operated here vs duplicated actors I'm not sure how stable are leaving Editor which is far from having needed sanity checks - you have to keep this in mind and refresh your working process.

Update 2025: Unreal Tournament **patch 469e** seems to wrap these in a more proper format and returning a more stable map after cleaning it. Usually in this patch it is advisable to clean the map after a fresh load in Editor or else there can be funky effects (or not ?)...

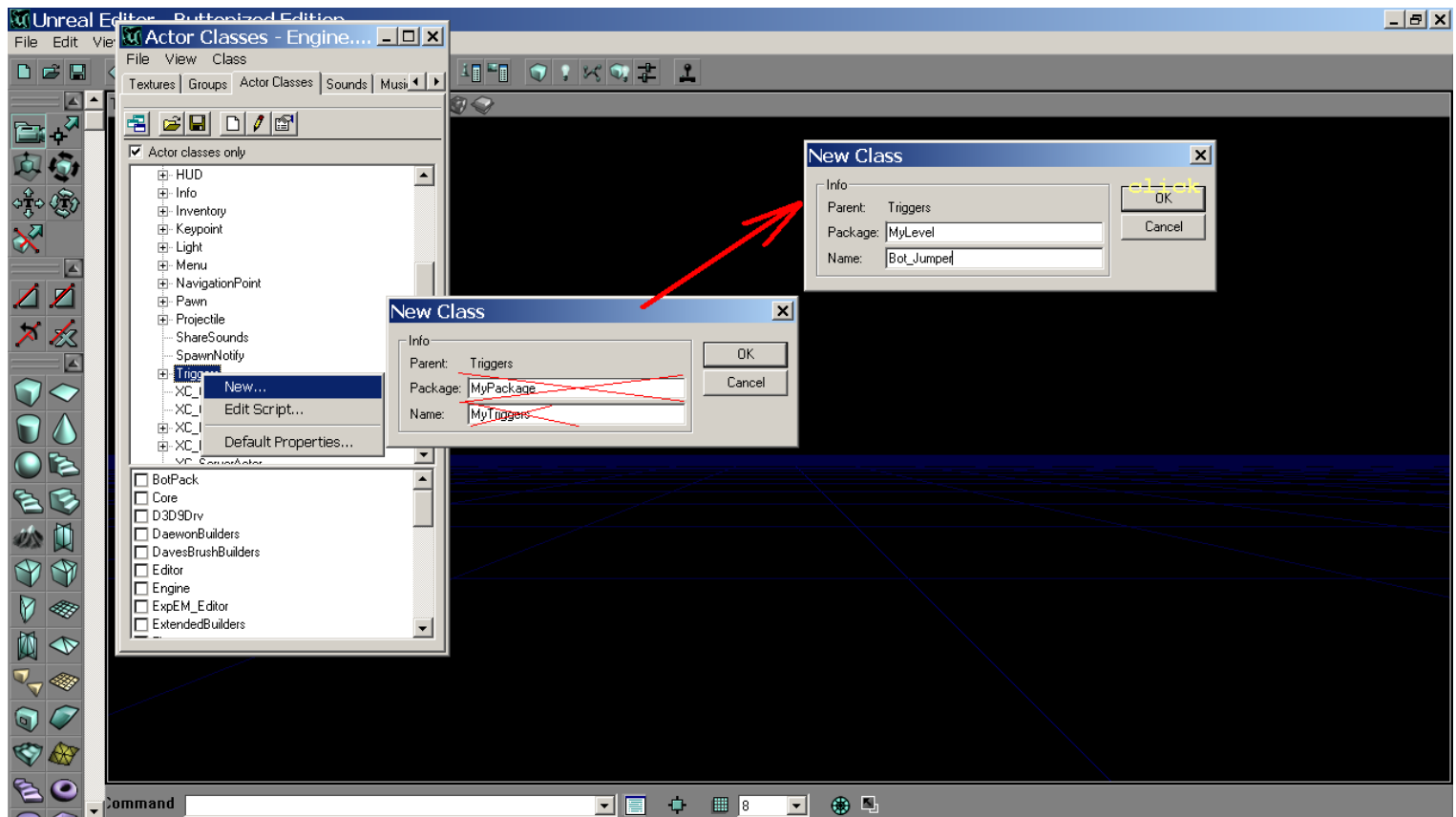
BlueNote:

There are more maps where you can see a Bot moving around an edge and hitting a wall, nothing happens in next minutes than retrying such a retarded move because path declared there is claimed navigable, but it's not when it goes in that angle with ledge. Starting from now on this builder is capable to remove such a path referenced in navigation network closing that route and making Pawn to follow another way instead of constantly messing up in spot. The simple way is to take in account named here Node1 and Node2 aka N1 and N2. It will be a single path removed, that one from N1 to N2 leaving Path from N2 to N1 untouched - but which can be disconnected later, if it does exists. All it needs is bool variable set to True and completing Names (under object property for these) of said two nodes - Editor will complete entire definition in the two Text-Boxes. Log will say what `reachSpec` was there and removal action. Path-Line still can be seen because `reachSpec` is not removed from map but reference from nodes was removed as natively is doing TranslocDest in games that do not include Translocator. This option can definitely remove any path direction and this way being capable to do real One-Way routes, for high lifts where moron Bot is dying by jumping, etc, etc. Editor is not so friendly with One-Way paths causing more or less PrunedPaths - shortcuts - which is very stupid. If mapper wants a One-Way path he might have reasons for that - builder does help here. For stock maps and plain servers solution would be a Server-Actor helper in order to not screw stock maps but tweaking them in run-time. I cannot say that bad `reachSpec` reference cannot be removed manually when we are working at our map (some special case ?) but it's way easier to record two names, writing them, hitting button and... job done. Left `reachSpecs` listed in navigation node are wrapped/defragmented after removing the evil one.

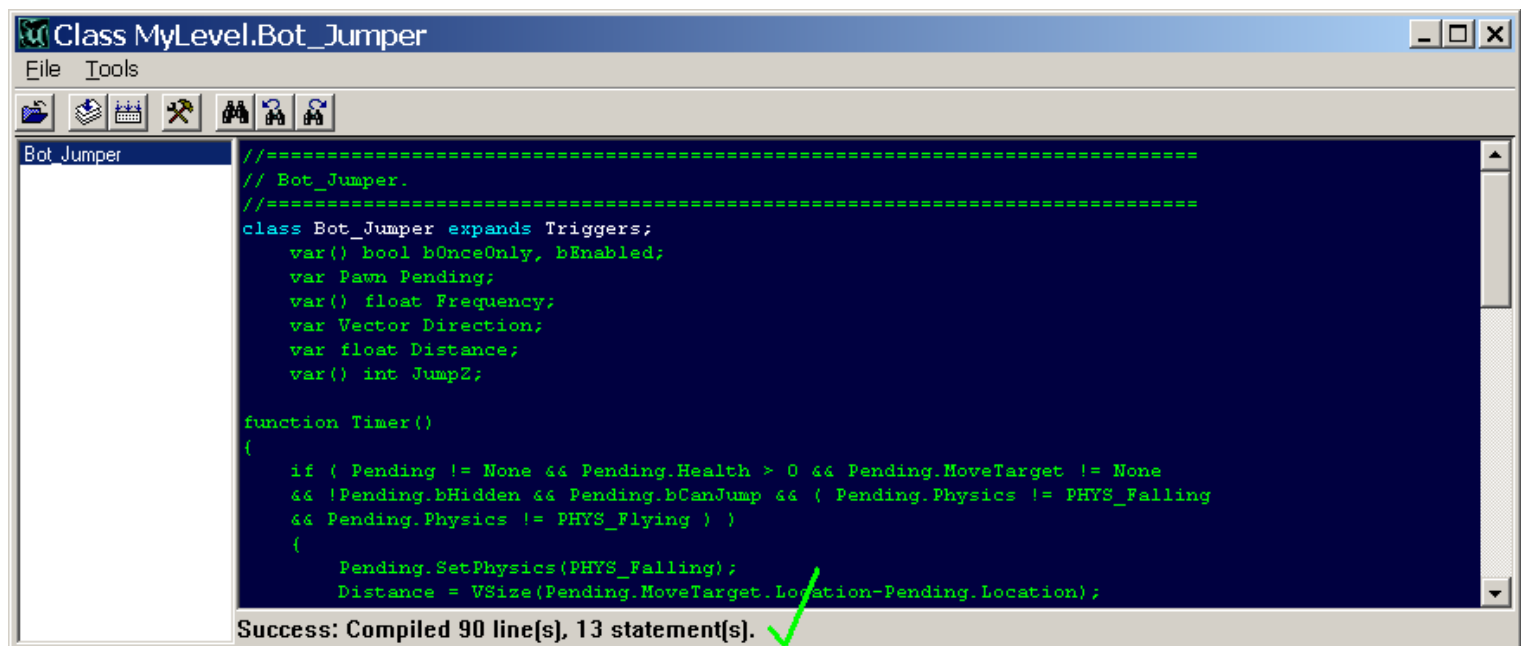
May-June 2020 info: This feature implemented in builder PathsLinker done in the same time addressing UGold227(tested h) version, has the completed feature at this chapter - it's really deleting evil `reachSpec` without any recovery and then rewrapping/recounting all remaining `reachSpecs`. In this case map must have actors compatible with UGold or else editing will be impossible. For MH stage it's advisable some knowledge which MH actors must be removed and saved elsewhere as text data, or else map won't load in UGold Editor, and adding them back post editing/tweaking. MyLevels here need knowledge about "How To", certain things are moved in 227 versions and not having any compatibility with UT. Such MyLevel must be adapted with common codes. Example `bTwoWay` variable different from UT to U227 - NavigationPoint vs AlternatePath, and here code needs GetPropertyText, SetPropertyText functions or such, UT had modifications which are not in Unreal but later newer BotPack had them added... not everything is 100% UT compatible over there anyway...

Yellow Notes:

Any sort of script private for current loaded map addressing MyLevel must be written and COMPILED.



If compiling returns errors due to some borked assets loaded in Editor, uncompiled actor is not helping in any way. At bottom of Scripting Window the result must be something like this...



For MH mappers it's advisable to compile and add new actors in map BEFORE using original MonsterHunt package, or using a clean compiled MonsterHunt. Situation is the same with other things that are ruined on purpose for preventing devs to compile anything referenced at them.

In order to compile/create a new class scripted by builder, you need to right-click on actor class which is parent (Triggers - here), choosing New, writing as Package MyLevel and class Bot_Jumper. Now the script from Log Window can be COPY-PASTE-d into Blue Scripting Window opened for new class. Lines having "//" slashes and label for deletion can be removed for not causing extra bytes loaded - you can even adjust code from Log as you need. After having script copied we need to **compile** it. The compilation result must be a **Success**, otherwise it wasn't compiled. Do not compile/create any stuff

dedicated to UT in UGold or whatever other game than UT.

The Info Piece: Current builder can be compiled, but not using plain UT stock. This stock has a NO Deal with certain constants which are not a big problem if are turned in variables and allowing to change values as Editor does itself and C++ native functions embedded in UT. Not everything must be a variable but some of these were... brain-farts against development.

Setup for Editor:

U File goes to **System** folder, bmp icon file goes to **editorres** Folder from **System** (inside UT game used for modding) or whatever internal UT path for U files. Here files are placed in similar structure as they should be in UT for easier guidance. After these files handling operations, proceed to edit **UnrealTournament.ini** file (default install). We have to find Section involving **EditPackages**, and adding after all those definitions a new one:

EditPackages=MapGarbage

like in this sample fragment:

```
EditPackages=TarquinBrushBuilders
EditPackages=RahnemBrushBuilders
EditPackages=DavesBrushBuilders
EditPackages=ExtendedBuilders
EditPackages=XC_EditorAdds
EditPackages=MapGarbage
```

That's all, if your Editor is not badly screwed, you might see icon link for working with new builder - yes, this is a custom so called BrushBuilder but it doesn't do any Brush Building. The above task is not required when we had a previous version installed - logically, the builder is already configured.

Files from archive should be in UT installation, U is in **System**, BMP inside **editorres** sub-folder from **System** in order to have a clear clue about their destination. If you cannot extract archive get rid of your trash (de)compressor and use something from XXI century such as **7Zip**.

Post Notes:

Note 1): Advanced mappers probably don't need such tool - or they do because it's a debugger and helper.

Note 2): For uninstalling process, follow Installing steps in reverse.

Note 3): Copyrights - All time I was "fascinated" about some Copyrights for an utter GARBAGE called Map Editor aka whatever Map Editing app. For me that is a toilette type application but it's needed in mapping - :/. Given some said MapPurger done by Gizzy I was doing a similar thing for my needs - and here it is, because I was reading about some ReplaceActor feature mentioned in a description (FALSE Information) but which never existed... and coding solution is similar.

Note 4): Enhancements and adds - Edit this tool and use it as you like... a button pressed it's faster than editing actors.

Note 5): Certain Updates might come as needed - it won't mismatch anything. This is a tool for help editing Maps, not for Servers/Players so I'm not gonna spread 100 builder name types because are not needed multiple records but a single advanced one it's always welcomed.

Note 6) This is not a mapping tutorial, neither a MH related one, but it's a helper. If you have mapping experience not cube-drawing only, you might understand the purpose of this tool and how does it helps. If you don't know what Editor does having your mind into a complete fog, forget this tool. It is addressing to help mapping not for learning mapping.

Note 7) All builder specific features used in the same time are proving your insanity. All iterations and functions might go in opposite direction as

first thing, and then iterations limit will crash your Editor - unless you know how to suppress iterations boundary in run-line, Editor might be helped here. Each function of builder should be taken in account what it does and what it doesn't do.

Note 8) If builder has too many features you don't have to use all of them or even to use builder after all. You can spend 2 years in Editor "mapping" whatever UNR file which later goes messed up by too much creativity. I witnessed such instances and I won't give names - yes, it happened not a single time.

Credits: In order of appearance: Epic, Mappers from Epic (with their funky pile of crap) I tested pathing add-ons in such Levels, Gizzy sampling such builder and "How To", Higor adding some light to my brain, Barbie helping me to translate numbers in words, team updating old Unreal to whatever v 227 showing me that **R_Fly** reachFlag can be used in UT's run-time but UT Editor is too dumb for this planet, various UT mappers making me to write such tools which are fascinating even after 20 years demonstrating how much they have "learned", Buggie joined at UT99.org, demonstrating an amount of experience and intelligence, Deaod for introducing a smarty solution in capturing class flags and how to check an abstract - thank you, Sir.

Misc: I was informed that for MH fixes or nasty bugs detection there are way too many factors in account. Perhaps future versions will have more options if it worth efforts. Why ? Intention from now days is to go over engine boundaries and making more sh!t maps or creating more copies of the same trash and then for such works there are not too many things doable - to not forget stripping brushes and leaving a pile of crap called map, bugged and making fixing harder.

Perhaps some of these features are not needed in future (UT469) or they won't work - or several "fixes" will spit out warnings, clearly this was done and used in common UT Editor.

As an Extra-Feature, I loaded this builder in Editor from UnrealGold updated at version 227h and 227i. It looks operational, main purpose it's still UT's Editor.