Subject: Is this a good card?
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I wouldn't recommend the GF4MX to anyone for any reason (before maybe for extremely budget-strapped requirements but not anymore) because now you can get cards like the ATI Radeon 8500 for about $60 - a DX8 card that just about matches an nVidia GeForce4 Ti4200 and provides better features in many areas. If $60 is too high for the range you are looking at, now you can get DX7 cards like the Radeon 7500 for $30 and if that's not the range you're looking at, you can get DX7 cards like the Radeon 7000 for free (if you get a good deal) that will provide performance better than the GF4MX.

IMO the Radeon 8500, GeForce4 Ti4200, and the Radeon 9500 Pro provide the best bang for your buck in the graphics market.

Of course, again none of this matters too much for Renegade because Ren's graphics don't require too much. I have an old PII-450 system running with an ATI Rage 128 32MB AGP that runs Renegade fine at about 50FPS at 1280x1024 with decent quality.

The systems that I actually use (see my sig) - one with a Radeon 8500 and one with a 9800 Pro - both are set to 1280x1024 with highest settings and highest AF and run at the default Renegade max of 60FPS. (does anyone know if the max can be changed?)