Advanced Game Programming





Week 10

Homework Review

Trees

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Obfuscating Data

Why Obfuscate Data?

Data At Rest

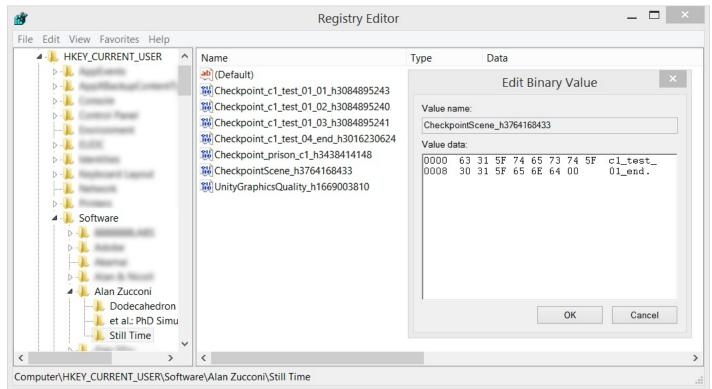
- Keep players from manipulating saves
- Keep players from ripping out assets
- Keep players from discovering spoilers

Data In Motion

- Keep players from submitting impossible/cheated scores
- Keep players from manipulating game data to have unfair advantage

Player Prefs

- On Windows Player Prefs are stored in the system registry.
- Access using Regedit (already installed)
 - HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\[company name]\[game name]:



How to Protect Player Prefs?

- You cannot prevent them from being seen
- Can add a checksum that will identify an edit



What Is a Checksum?

- A checksum is a hash of the values
- Common Hashes:
 - MD5 128-bit hash value
 - SHA-1 160-bit hash
- Make a wrapper class for PlayerPrefs to add a checksum

MD5 Sum (add to extension methods)

```
public string Md5Sum(string strToEncrypt)
   System.Text.UTF8Encoding ue = new System.Text.UTF8Encoding();
   byte[] bytes = ue.GetBytes(strToEncrypt);
   // encrypt bytes
   System.Security.Cryptography.MD5CryptoServiceProvider md5 = new System.Security.Cryptography.MD5CryptoServiceProvider();
   byte[] hashBytes = md5.ComputeHash(bytes);
   // Convert the encrypted bytes back to a string (base 16)
   string hashString = "";
   for (int i = 0; i < hashBytes.Length; i++)</pre>
       hashString += System.Convert.ToString(hashBytes[i], 16).PadLeft(2, '0');
   return hashString.PadLeft(32, '0');
```

Safer Player Prefs

```
public static class SafePlayerPrefs {
    public void SetString(string key, string value) {
       PlayerPrefs.SetString(key, value);
        PlayerPrefs.SetString(key + "_CHECKSUM", Md5Sum(value));
    public bool IsValid(string key) {
       if (!PlayerPrefs.HasKey(key + "_CHECKSUM"))
            return false;
        if (!PlayerPrefs.HasKey(key))
            return false;
        if (Md5Sum(PlayerPrefs.GetString(key)) != PlayerPrefs.GetString(key + "_CHECKSUM"))
            return false;
        return true;
```

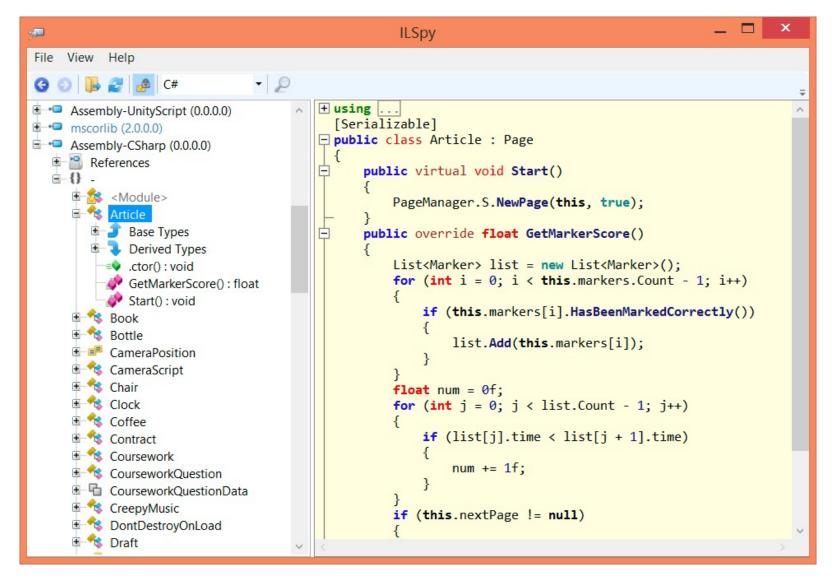
Serializing Data More Securely

```
public static void EncryptedSave(string toSave, string filePath)
    var bf = new BinaryFormatter();
    var rmCrypto = new RijndaelManaged { Padding = PaddingMode.PKCS7 };
    var fileStream = File.OpenWrite(filePath);
    using (Stream cryptoStream
       new CryptoStream(fileStream, rmCrypto.CreateEncryptor(Key, IV), CryptoStreamMode.Write)) {
        bf.Serialize(cryptoStream, toSave);
    fileStream.Close();
```

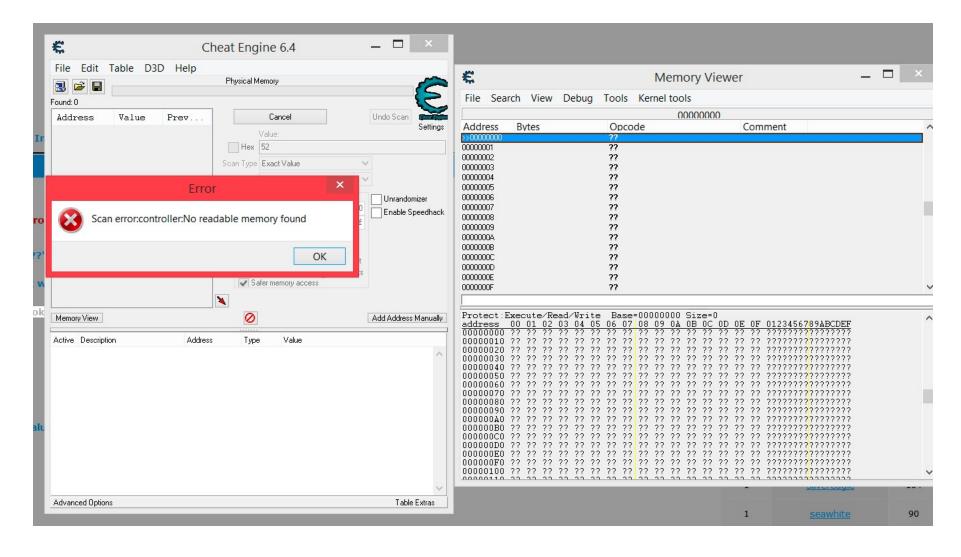
Protecting Your Assets

- While it is possible to use encryption to secure Assets
 - In transmission (SSL tunnel)
 - At rest (encrypt files)
- Once the data is on a computer, the client can always get the data
 - there are tools which record 3D data at the driver level, allowing users to extract models and textures as they are sent to the GPU.
- If users want your assets, they'll get it.

Preventing Your Code From Being Stolen



Protecting Active Memory



Protecting Active Memory

```
public class SafeFloat {
   private float offset;
   private float value;
   public SafeFloat(float value = 0.0f) {
       this value = value;
       offset = 0;
       UpdateOffset();
   private void UpdateOffset() {
       var realValue = value - offset;
       offset = Random.Range(-1000f, 1000f);
       value = realValue + offset;
   public void GetValue() {
       var toReturn = value - offset;
       UpdateOffset();
       return toReturn;
```

Protecting Active Memory (cont.)

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What Can We Take Away?

- If people want your code or assets, they can get them.
- If people want to mess with save files in a single-player game, it's very difficult to completely prevent it
- In a multiplayer situation, you can monitor and prevent cheating on the server side
 - Assume everything the client sends you could be invalid

Input Systems

Goals

- Performance is important (no input lag)
- Allow for multiple types of input
 - Controller
 - Keyboard/mouse
 - Touches
- Allow changing between types of input
- Easy to maintain / add inputs
- Easy to debug
- Configurability

Event Based Control

- Centralize an input system based on Events
- Register for input events and interpret them in each class
- PROS:
 - No huge "control" codebase that's difficult to manage
- CONS:
 - Difficult to do priority (everything registers for keystrokes / inputs)
 - Has no understanding of state
 - What if you're in a menu? Paused? In design mode instead of movement mode?
 - Control is completely decentralized
 - Each class interprets what an input does

Input Context

- Defines what inputs are available at a given time
- Most games exist with different states
 - Moving around the world
 - Piloting a craft
 - Navigating a menu
- Contexts contain different types of input
 - Actions
 - States
 - Ranges

FSM Based Control

Register for an input and a (set of) state(s)

```
Services.Input.Register(KeyPress.A, State.Paused, PauseSystem.Submit)
```

- PROS:
 - Understands state doesn't fire at the incorrect time
- CONS:
 - You have to manage a lot of state in code
 - End-systems become extremely coupled
 - Lots of complicated code in classes

Actions

- Single-time event in the game
 - Casting a spell
 - Opening a door
 - Talking to an NPC
 - Picking up an object
- Usually occurs when a button is pressed (or released)

States

- States are continuous activities
 - Running
 - Shooting
 - Charging
 - Scrolling through menus
- Can represent as a binary flag on or off

Range

- Input that can have a numeric value associated with it
- Typically for analogue input
 - Joysticks
 - Thumbsticks
 - Mice
 - Spinners

Invert FSM/Event Model

- Define an input map for each context
- Store a Dictionary of Input events to actions
- Have the Input System dispatch the input
 - Callbacks
 - Polling

Chain of Responsibility Pattern

- Design pattern consisting of a source of command objects and a series of processing objects.
- Each processing object has logic defining what types of command objects it can handle, and what commands it passes the rest to the next processing object
- Other version involve dispatchers to create a tree of responsibility
- Tree of responsibility w/recursion on portions of the tree can be used to create parsers
- For input systems: the more specific the context, the higher priority it should carry.
 - Menus
 - Chat windows
 - Debug modes

New Input System

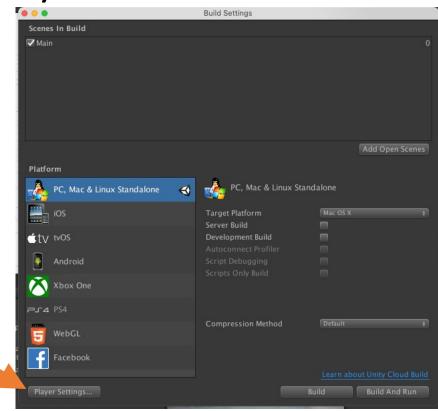
- Create a data structure:
 - List of valid actions
 - List of valid states
 - List of valid ranges and their current values
- Pass this data on to an ordered chain of callbacks.
- If a callback handles a piece of input, it should generally remove it from the data structure so that further callbacks don't issue duplicate commands.

Hardware to Game – Data Driven

- Process all raw inputs as buttons or axis's
 - Buttons are states or actions
 - Axis map to ranges
- Make a definition of each action, state, and range in game
- Create an input map data file, with a section for each context
- Read data file into game, and for each valid context, fire all callbacks that were defined in input map

How to Change Input Type On Fly

- Preprocessor Directives
 - In Unity player settings (Build -> Player Settings)
 - Added as scripting define symbols
- You can add preprocessor directives
 - (CONTROLLER_SUPPORTED, TOUCH_SUPPORTED)
- Wrap different platforms builds in different preprocessor directives.



Disable HW Statistics* Scripting Define Symbols	Release
Allow 'unsafe' Code Active Input Handling*	Input Manager

Why Use Preprocessor Directives?

- You may want to allow fewer input types than the maximum allowed by the platform
 - Some Windows devices allow touch, some platforms allow keyboards, etc.
 - If you haven't planned and QA-d for an input on a platform, you may end up in unintended states
 - Using unintended inputs can allow for access to debug states

Touches

Touches vs. Buttons

- Touches involve gesture / can have more complicated meaning than "pressing a button".
- In unity, you get a touch object
 - "position" in Pixel coordinates (Screen space)
 - "phase" which can be "Began", "Moved", "Stationary", "Ended", and "Cancelled"
 - "fingerID" for each touch (0 for first touch, 1 for second, etc.)
 - "pressure" and "maximumPossiblePressure" for force sensitive displays
 - "deltaPosition" for each frame

Simple Code for Tapping

```
Vector3 startingPosition;
float maximumRadiusForTouch = 40f;
private void Update() {
    foreach (var touch in Input.touches) {
        if (touch.fingerID > 0) return; // only allow one touch
        switch (touch.phase) {
            case TouchPhase.Began :
                startingPosition = touch.position;
                break:
            case TouchPhase, Ended:
                if (Vector3.Distance(touch.position, startingPosition) < maximumRadiusForTouch)</pre>
                    _CallTapCode(startingPosition);
                else
                    _CallDragCode(startingPosition, touch.position);
```

Virtual Joystick

```
(touch.phase == TouchPhase.Began) {
    startingPosition = touch.position;
else if (touch.phase != TouchPhase.Ended && touch.phase != TouchPhase.Cancelled) {
    var x = touch.position.x - startingPosition.x;
    var y = touch.position.y - startingPosition.y;
    if (x == 0 \&\& y == 0) return;
    if (Mathf.Abs(x) > Mathf.Abs(y)) {
       if (x > 0)
           _Right();
           _Left();
   else {
           (y > 0)
            _Up();
           _Down();
```

Event-based Architecture

```
public class TouchDown : Event
    public readonly Vector2 position;
    public readonly int touchID;
    public TouchDown(Vector3 positionIn, int touchIDIn)
        position = new Vector3(positionIn.x, positionIn.y);
        touchID = touchIDIn;
    public TouchDown(Vector2 positionIn, int touchIDIn)
        position = positionIn;
        touchID = touchIDIn;
```

Recommendations

- Don't use mouse inputs for a touch device
- Only use as many touches as your game uses
- Repackage the individual touches into a data structure that tracks them over time if you need more information about gestures
- UnityEngine.GestureRecognizer may help if you need gesture recognition.
- Use "Input.touchSupported" to separate your mobile and desktop input systems
 - #if UNITY_IOS || UNITY_ANDROID
 - #elif UNITY PC
 - endif