

AUDIO, INPUT & COLLISION



Overview

- Graphics isn't everything. Music and sound effects can make the game as well. For this the *Handmade Game Engine* supports **Music & Voice** audio as well as **Sound Effects**
- Before creating and using audio objects, the audio files will need to be loaded into memory, and for this we use the *Audio Manager* :

```
#include "AudioManager.h"
```

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- The *LoadFromFile()* function is used to load the audio file into memory and store it for later use :

```
TheAudio::Instance()->LoadFromFile(name_of_file, type, tag_name);
```

- The arguments passed are the name of the audio file, which should be situated somewhere in the *Assets* folder, the type of audio you wish to load (music, sound effect or voice), and the tag name, which will label the audio with a name
- Regarding the type of audio being loaded, the flags **MUSIC_AUDIO**, **SFX_AUDIO** and **VOICE_AUDIO** are available. This just helps organise the audio data properly

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- To unload the audio again, you can once again use one of the **3** flags to remove the correct audio type
- Simply use the *Audio Manager's UnloadFromMemory()* function :

```
//remove all music audio from memory
TheAudio::Instance()->UnloadFromMemory(AudioManager::MUSIC_AUDIO, AudioManager::ALL_AUDIO);

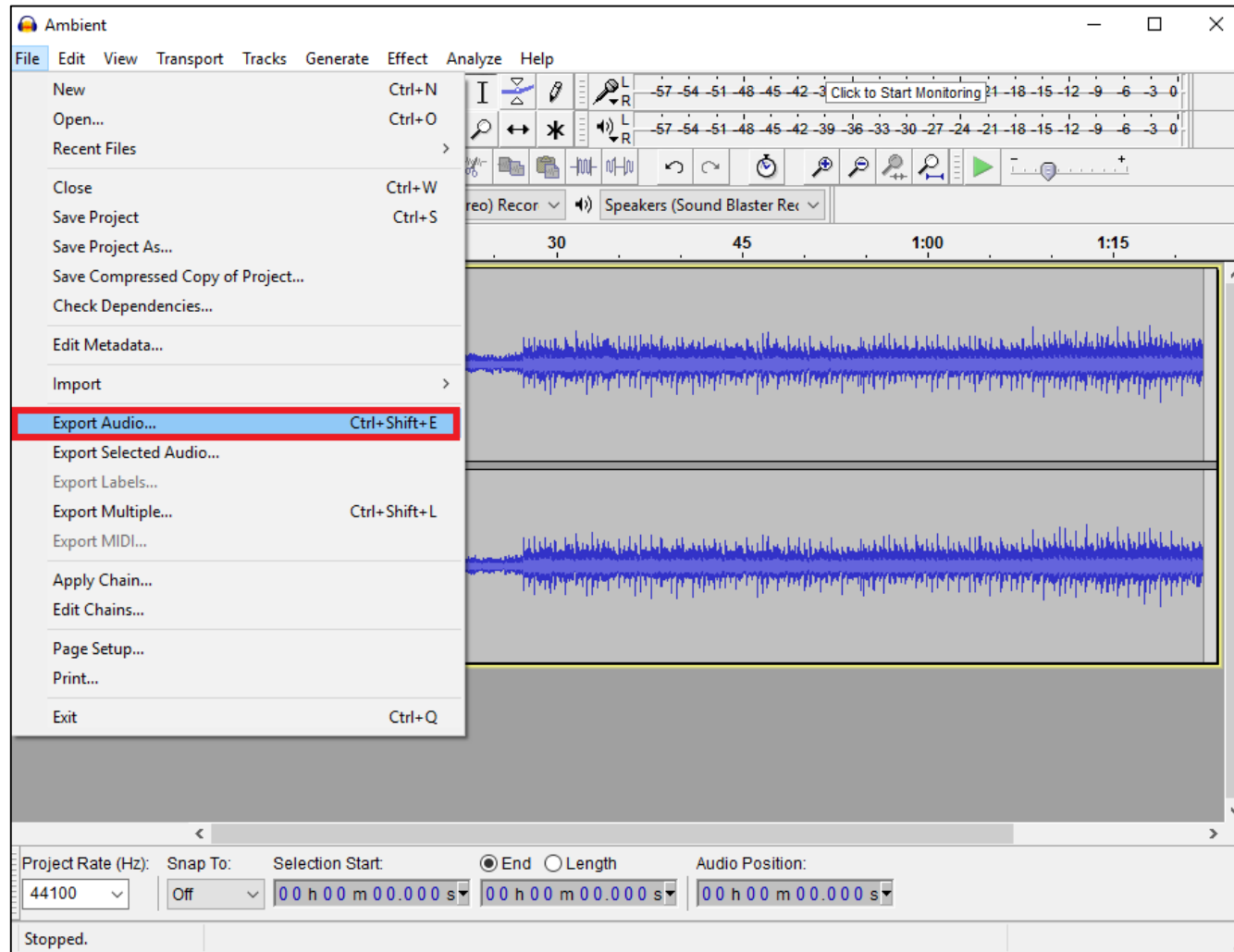
//remove a specific voice file from memory
TheAudio::Instance()->UnloadFromMemory(AudioManager::VOICE_AUDIO, AudioManager::CUSTOM_AUDIO, "MY_VOICE");

//remove all sound effect audio files from memory
TheAudio::Instance()->UnloadFromMemory(AudioManager::SFX_AUDIO, AudioManager::ALL_AUDIO);
```

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- When loading **MP3** files, there seems to be a licensing issue preventing you from playing them without a particular **DLL** file
- To overcome this issue, it's best to use **WAV**, **OGG** or **AIFF** audio files instead.
- If you have a vast amount of **MP3** files and you wish to use them, you could opt to convert the files from **MP3** to another format.
- For that the perfect tool to use would be *Audacity* :
<http://www.audacityteam.org/>
- After installing and running *Audacity*, simply load up the **MP3** file and select **Export Audio** under the **File** menu option.
- Choose which format you wish to export to, choose the appropriate file location and hit **Save**

Overview



Music & Voice

- Music and good voice-overs can make a game sound and feel so much better
- This includes atmospheric background music, or any speech that in-game characters or NPCs may say
- To create and use music and voice audio, we need to use the *Audio* class and create an object of this type :

```
#include "Audio.h"  
  
Audio music;  
Audio voice;
```

Music & Voice

- Take a look once again at the *Background* class and note it also has an internal *Audio* component
- In the constructor, the audio file is loaded into memory and the properties are set up accordingly
- The *Background* class has **2** member functions that *play* and *stop* the music from playing, respectively
- The destructor removes the audio data from memory again
- Try loading in your own audio file (**OGG** or **WAV**) so that you can set your own background music. Do this in the *Play* state's *OnEnter()* function

Music & Voice

- We will create another game object called *MusicBox*, which will be rendered in our scene and will play a tune for us
- We will place both an *Audio* and *Sprite* component in here so that we can see the object and hear it :

```
class MusicBox : public GameObject
{
public:
    MusicBox();
    virtual ~MusicBox();

public:
    virtual void Update() {}
    virtual bool Draw();

private:
    Audio m_music;
    Sprite m_image;

};
```

Music & Voice

- Find a suitable tune and add it into the Audio folder and then load the object's music into memory :

```
TheAudio::Instance()->LoadFromFile("Assets\\Audio\\MusicBox.ogg", AudioManager::MUSIC_AUDIO, "MUSIC");
```

- All that's left to do now is link the audio object with the correct music audio and play!

```
m_music.SetAudio("MUSIC", Audio::MUSIC_AUDIO);  
m_music.SetVolume(100);  
m_music.Play();
```

- ***Note : Voice audio works exactly the same, except we use the VOICE_AUDIO flag***

Music & Voice

- The *SetAudio()* function links the loaded music or voice data with the audio object.
- The *SetVolume()* function takes in any value between **0** and **128** and adjusts the music volume accordingly
- The *Play()* function will play the audio. By default the music is played in an endless loop. You can choose to play it only once (suited for voice data) :

```
m_music.Play(Audio::PLAY_ONCE);
```

- The available flags for playing the audio are **PLAY_ONCE** and **PLAY_ENDLESS**

Music & Voice

- Music and voice files can also be paused, resumed and stopped altogether :

```
//play the music on an endless loop  
m_music.Play(Audio::PLAY_ENDLESS);  
  
//pause the music  
m_music.Pause();  
  
//resume the music after pausing  
m_music.Resume();  
  
//stop playing the music altogether  
m_music.Stop();
```

Sound Effects

- Similarly, good sound effects can make a game more exciting as well
- This could be anything like breaking glass, cracking wood or smashing bricks
- To create and use sound effects, we need to use the *SFX* class and create an object of this type :

```
#include "SFX.h"

SFX sfx1;
SFX sfx2;
```

Sound Effects

- We will reuse our *Explosion* game object and add a sound effect in there
- First we need to load the *Explosion.wav* sound effect into memory :

```
TheAudio::Instance()->LoadFromFile("Assets\\Audio\\Explosion.wav", AudioManager::SFX_AUDIO, "EXPLOSION");
```

- Now we link the audio data, set the volume and we're ready to go :

```
m_sfx.SetSFX("EXPLOSION");  
m_sfx.SetVolume(128);
```

- In the *Explosion* class' *Draw()* function, we can play the sound effect there :

```
m_anim.Draw(500, 435);  
m_sfx.Play();
```

Sound Effects

- The *Play()* function will play the sound effects. By default the effect is played only once, but you can play it for as many times as you wish :

```
//play explosion once only  
m_sfx.Play();  
  
//play splash effect four times  
m_sfx.Play(3);
```

- To avoid the sound effect playing repeatedly each draw call, do this :

```
static bool isPlaying = false;  
  
if (!isPlaying)  
{  
    m_sfx.Play();  
    isPlaying = true;  
}
```

Input

- For our games to be more interactive, we will need some way for the user to control things on screen
- For this we can either read key presses or mouse movements to tell the game and all its world object what to do
- Reading input can be achieved anywhere in the game code, and is handled through the *Input Manager*. For this we need to include the following header file :

```
#include "InputManager.h"
```

- ***Note : The Handmade Game Engine supports both keyboard input and mouse input***

Keyboard Input

- To determine if a key has been pressed, use the `IsKeyPressed()` function. This will return a *bool* value based on if a key is *up* or *down*
- Ideally, this function can be used in a *if-else* statement, like so :

```
if (TheInput::Instance()->IsKeyPressed())  
{  
    //a key was pressed  
}  
  
else  
{  
    //a key was released  
}
```

Keyboard Input

- The above function is sometimes too generic, as it never tells us which key was pressed or released.
- For more specific keyboard input, we need to determine which exact key was pressed
- Internally the *Input Manager* stores an array which maintains which keys are pressed and which are not
- We need to get this array from the *Input Manager* and for this we first need to declare the following pointer :

```
const Uint8* keyStates;
```

Keyboard Input

- Now we can call the `GetKeyStates()` function to acquire the array of key states and store it in our pointer :

```
keyStates = TheInput::Instance()->GetKeyStates();
```

- Internally, a small portion of the `keyStates` array may look like this :

UP	DOWN	LEFT	RIGHT	SPACE	SHIFT	CTRL	ESCAPE	Q
1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0

keyStates array

- **Note : Each array element represents a key and for each element with the value 1, a key is pressed and 0 means that the key is released.**

Keyboard Input

- Using the above array in an *if-statement* and indexing it using constant values that represent each key, we can determine if that key was pressed or not.
- If the index value queried returns a **1** (or *true*), the key is pressed, if it returns **0** (or *false*) it is not pressed

```
if (keyStates[SDL_SCANCODE_ESCAPE])  
{  
    //the ESCAPE key was pressed  
}
```

- **Note : For a complete list of supported key codes, click on the link below :**

https://wiki.libsdl.org/SDL_Scancode

Keyboard Input

- Let's head back to our *Player* game object and add some keyboard input handling in the *Update()* function :

```
const Uint8* keyStates = TheInput::Instance()->GetKeyStates();

if (keyStates[SDL_SCANCODE_LEFT])
{
    m_position.x -= 2;
}

else if (keyStates[SDL_SCANCODE_RIGHT])
{
    m_position.x += 2;
}
```

Mouse Input

- We can also read mouse motion and clicks and for this we also make use of the *Input Manager*
- To see if any particular mouse button is pressed or released we can use either of the *GetButtonState()* functions, like so :

```
if (TheInput::Instance()->GetLeftButtonState() == InputManager::DOWN)
{
    //left mouse button is clicked
}

if (TheInput::Instance()->GetRightButtonState() == InputManager::UP)
{
    //right mouse button is released
}

if (TheInput::Instance()->GetMiddleButtonState() == InputManager::DOWN)
{
    //middle mouse button is clicked
}
```

Mouse Input

- To see how much the mouse has moved, we use the `GetMouseMotion()` routine and store the returned value in a `vec2` object

```
glm::vec2 mouseMotion = TheInput::Instance()->GetMouseMotion();
```

- The x and y values returned correspond to how much the mouse has moved on its x (*left/right*) and y (*up/down*) axis
- The x mouse motion value will be **negative** for *left* and **positive** for *right* movement
- The y mouse motion value will be **negative** for *up* and **positive** for *down* movement
- **Note : The more rigorously you move the mouse, the higher the returned values will be**

Mouse Input

- Another important functionality of the *Input Manager* is the *GetMousePosition()* routine, which returns the position the mouse cursor is at :

```
glm::vec2 mousePosition = TheInput::Instance()->GetMousePosition();
```

- The x and y values returned correspond to where on screen the mouse cursor is positioned
- The x value will be between **0** and the resolution *width*
- The y value is between **0** and the resolution *height*
- **Note : The top left corner of the game window is position (0,0)**

Mouse Input

- The mouse cursor can also be manually set, like so :

```
TheInput::Instance()->SetMousePosition(500, 400);
```

- Furthermore, the mouse cursor image can be set to something other than an arrow by using the *SetMouseCursorType()* routine :

```
//create a hand cursor
```

```
TheInput::Instance()->SetMouseCursorType(InputManager::HAND);
```

```
//create a crosshair cursor
```

```
TheInput::Instance()->SetMouseCursorType(InputManager::CROSSHAIR);
```

Mouse Input

- The **X** in the top right corner of a windowed game can also be checked whether it has been clicked.
- For this we use the *IsXClicked()* routine and this is great for ending a game, like so :

```
if (TheInput::Instance()->IsXClicked())  
{  
    //end the game!  
}
```

Collisions

- Collisions are important if we want to set boundaries and obstacles in our game so that players and enemies don't move "through" anything
- The *Handmade Game Engine* supports **bounding box** and **sphere collisions**
- These collisions are meant to be implemented as components of our existing game objects and will represent box and sphere-like bounding volumes accordingly

Bounding Box Collisions

- These types of collisions represent an *Axis-Aligned Bounding Box*, or *AABB* for short
- They use a min and max value on the x and y axis to form a box-like bound and will check if collisions between two boxes are happening
- To use a bounding box, we need to add a *AABB* component into our game object, and for that we need the following header :

```
#include "AABB.h"
```

- Now, somewhere in our game objects, we can add the following :

```
AABB boxBound;
```

Bounding Box Collisions

- We will need to set up the bounding box so that the AABB can update and determine if it collides with another box later on :

```
boxBound.SetDimension(width, height);  
boxBound.SetPosition(x, y);
```

- The *SetDimension()* routine will set the bounding volume of the box
- The *SetPosition()* function places the AABB in the game world so that it can calculate if it collides with other game objects
- ***Note : If the object is moving, the position will need to be set all the time. If the object changes size, its dimension needs to be adjusted***

Bounding Box Collisions

- Now all we need to do is add a AABB to another object and check if the two objects collide :

```
boxBound.IsColliding(anotherBound);
```

- The *IsColliding()* function takes in an argument for another AABB box and will calculate if the two objects collide
- ***Note : To properly check for collisions between two game objects, we will likely need to call the *IsColliding()* routine somewhere in the *PlayState.cpp* code. For this we will need to get the bounds from both game objects before performing the checks***

Bounding Box Collisions

- Let's try and add a *AABB* to both our *Player* and *MusicBox* game objects and see if they collide
- In each game object, we will need to set the bounding box properties accordingly :

```
//set bounding box properties for player  
m_bound.SetDimension(125, 250);  
m_bound.SetPosition(500, 435);  
  
//set bounding box properties for music box  
m_bound.SetDimension(100, 100);  
m_bound.SetPosition(300, 450);
```

- Because the player is moving, we need to update his bounds in the *Update()* routine :

```
m_bound.SetPosition(m_position.x, m_position.y);
```

Bounding Box Collisions

- We also need to create a getter function for both game objects so that the bounds can be accessed in order to check for collisions
- Add the following line of code to both the *Player* and *MusicBox* classes' definition :

```
AABB GetBound() { return m_bound; }
```

- Now in the *Play* state, we simply instantiate the *Player* and *MusicBox* objects individually :

```
m_player = new Player;  
m_musicBox = new MusicBox;
```


Bounding Box Collisions

- In the *PlayState's Update()* method we will want to check if collisions are happening, and these simple lines of code will do the trick :

```
if (m_player->GetBound().IsColliding(m_musicBox->GetBound()))  
{  
    //they collide!!  
}  
  
else  
{  
    //they DO NOT collide!!  
}
```

Bounding Box Collisions



Bounding Box Collisions



Sphere Collisions

- Spherical collision volumes work in a similar way to their bounding box counterparts, except that they use a sphere bounding volume instead
- To use a sphere collision component, we first need to include the header file :

```
#include "Sphere.h"
```

- To create the *Sphere* object, we do this :

```
Sphere sphereBound;
```

Sphere Collisions

- We will need to set up the bounding sphere so that the *Sphere* can update and determine if it collides with another sphere later on :

```
sphereBound.SetRadius(radius);  
sphereBound.SetPosition(x, y);
```

- The *SetRadius()* routine will set radius of the bounding spherical volume
- The *SetPosition()* function places the *Sphere* in the game world so that it can calculate if it collides with other game objects
- ***Note : If the object is moving, the position will need to be set all the time. If the object changes size, its radius needs to be adjusted***

Sphere Collisions

- Now all we need to do is add a *Sphere* to another object and check if the two objects collide :

```
sphereBound.IsColliding(anotherBound);
```

- The *IsColliding()* function takes in an argument for another *Sphere* and will calculate if the two objects collide
- ***Note : To properly check for collisions between two game objects, we will likely need to call the *IsColliding()* routine somewhere in the *PlayState.cpp* code. For this we will need to get the bounds from both game objects before performing the checks***

Mouse Collisions

- The *Input Manager* comes with **2** built-in routines, called *IsColliding()*, that can check if the mouse cursor collides with a *AABB* or a *Sphere* object
- This is great for box-like or spherical objects like menu buttons to be checked if the mouse hovers over them or is clicked while on them
- This functionality can be used in a menu, or to make a point-and-click type of game