

DreamerTheory Grid System

Overview

DreamerTheory Grid System is a robust, extensible Unity package for building grid-based games and tools in both 2D and 3D. It supports generic grid objects, world/grid conversion, rule-based tile placement, built-in pathfinding, and powerful editor tools for snapping and visualization.

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2. Package Structure

```
Packages/com.dreamertheory.gridsystem/  
|   └── Runtime/  
|       └── Scripts/  
|           ├── Core/  
|           |   └── GridSystem.cs  
|           └── Ruletile/  
|               └── RuleTile.cs  
  
|   └── Editor/  
|       └── Scripts/  
|           └── SnapControllerEditor.cs  
  
└── Documentation/  
    └── README.md
```

4. Getting Started

Creating a Grid

1. Add a Grid System Component:

- Create an empty GameObject in your scene.
- Add a script inheriting from `GridSystem<TGridObject>` (see API below).
- Configure grid size, cell size, and snapping in the Inspector.

2. Populate the Grid:

- Use the public API to add, remove, or query objects in the grid.
- Optionally, use the RuleTile system for automated tile placement.

Example: Creating a Simple Grid

```
public class MyGrid : GridSystem3<MyTileObject>
{
    // Implement abstract methods as needed
}
public class MyGrid : GridSystem2D<MyTileObject>
{
    // Implement abstract methods as needed
}
public class MyGrid : HexGridSystem3d<MyTileObject>
{
    // Implement abstract methods as needed
}
```

5. Editor Tools

- **Grid Snapping:**

Use the menu item `DT/Toggle Grid Snapping` (`Ctrl+Alt+S`) to enable/disable snapping for all grid systems in the scene.

- **Scene View Handles:**

Move objects in the Scene view; if snapping is enabled, they will snap to the nearest grid cell.

- **Grid Visualization:**

Enable `drawGizmos` and `showGridIndex` in your grid component to see grid lines and indices in the Scene view.

6. Rule-Based Tile Placement

- Use the `RuleTile` ScriptableObject to define tile prefabs for various neighbor configurations.
 - The system automatically selects the correct prefab and rotation based on the surrounding tiles.
 - Supports isolated tiles, edges, corners, inverted corners, and more.
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6. Pathfinding

- The package includes built-in pathfinding components (A*, Dijkstra, etc.) via dedicated classes such as `AStarPathfinding` and `PathfinderAgent`.
- To calculate a path, use the API of these classes, not the grid directly.

Example

```
// Using AStarPathfinding directly
var astar = GetComponent<AStarPathfinding>();
Path path = astar.FindPath(start, end);

// Or using PathfinderAgent
var agent = GetComponent<PathfinderAgent>();
agent.SetDestination(targetPosition);
```

8. Public API Reference

GridSystem<TGridObject>

Member	Type	Description
gridSize	Vector2Int	Size of the grid (columns, rows)
cellSize	float	Size of each cell
snap	bool	Enable/disable snapping
drawGizmos	bool	Show grid in Scene view
showGridIndex	bool	Show cell indices in Scene view
OnGridUpdated	UnityEvent	Event invoked when grid changes
GridSize	Vector2Int	Property for grid size
CellSize	float	Property for cell size

Methods

- Vector3 GetWorldPosition(int x, int y, bool center = true)
- Vector2Int GetGridPosition(Vector3 worldPosition)
- bool IsInBounds(int x, int y)
- void AddGridObject(TGridObject obj, int x, int y)
- TGridObject GetGridObject(int x, int y)
- void RemoveGridObject(int x, int y)

AStarPathfinding / PathfinderAgent

- Path FindPath(Vector2Int start, Vector2Int end)
- void SetDestination(Vector3 worldPosition)

RuleTile

- ScriptableObject for rule-based tile placement.
- Assign prefabs for different neighbor configurations.

- Use `GetPrefabForPosition(...)` to get the correct prefab and rotation.
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9. Extending the Grid System

- Inherit from `GridSystem<TGridObject>` to create custom grid logic.
 - Override methods for custom world/grid conversion or grid behaviors.
 - Extend `RuleTile` for advanced tile placement rules.
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10. FAQ

Q: Can I use this for both 2D and 3D games?

A: Yes! The system is designed to be generic and works for both 2D and 3D workflows.

Q: How do I enable snapping?

A: Use the menu item or set the `snap` field in your grid component.

Q: How do I add custom tile rules?

A: Create a new `RuleTile` asset and assign your prefabs for each rule.