Programming Assignment 1 Detailed Instructions

Overview

In this programming assignment (the second increment of our Asteroids game development), you're adding a moving asteroid to the game, including screen wrapping.

Step 1: Add a moving asteroid

For this step, you're adding a moving asteroid to the scene.

- 1. Add sprites for three different asteroids to the sprites folder in the Project window. CAUTION: Make you asteroid sprites the correct size for your game; don't scale your game object in Unity.
- 2. Drag one of the asteroid sprites from the sprites folder in the Project window onto the Hierarchy window.
- 3. Rename the resulting game object Asteroid.
- 4. Add a Rigidbody 2D component to the Asteroid game object.
- 5. Add a new C# script named Asteroid to the scripts folder in the Project window.
- 6. Double click the Asteroid script to open it in your IDE.
- 7. Add a documentation comment above the line declaring the class.
- 8. Delete the Update method from the Asteroid script.
- 9. Add code to the Start method to apply a random impulse force to the asteroid to get it moving. You should try to do this on your own first, but feel free to use the code in the random impulse force.txt file included in the zip file if you get stuck.
- 10. Add the Asteroid script as a component to the Asteroid game object.

When you run your game, you should see the asteroid move in a random direction from the center of the window.

Step 2: Make moving asteroid a random sprite

For this step, you're making the moving asteroid randomly pick from the three asteroid sprites you included in the game.

- 1. Double click the Asteroid script to open it in your IDE.
- 2. Add three fields to the class to hold the three different asteroid sprites. Be sure to mark the fields with [SerializeField] so you can populate them in the Inspector.
- 3. Add code to the Start method to randomly pick one of the three asteroid sprites for the asteroid. You'll need to access the SpriteRenderer component of the asteroid so you can change the sprite for that component.
- 4. In the Unity editor, populate the new fields in the Inspector with the three asteroid sprites.

When you run your game, you should see the asteroid, using one of the three asteroid sprites, move in a random direction from the center of the window.

Step 3: Make moving asteroid wrap

For this step, you're making the moving asteroid wrap when it leaves the screen instead of disappearing from the game forever.

You should immediately realize that we already added screen wrapping functionality for the ship in the previous course, and the code here should work exactly the same way. Instead of copying and pasting the screen wrapping code from the Ship script into the Asteroid script – that approach is almost always a horrible idea! — we'll remove the screen wrapping code from the Ship script and include it in a new ScreenWrapper script. We can then add our new script to the Ship and Asteroid game objects and they should both work fine.

- 1. Add a Circle Collider 2D component to the Asteroid game object. Edit the collider as you see fit, making sure the circle collider is completely inside the sprite for your asteroid.
- 2. Create a new C# script in the scripts folder in the Project window and name it ScreenWrapper.
- 3. Double click the ScreenWrapper script to open it in your IDE.
- 4. Delete the Update method from the ScreenWrapper script.
- 5. Cut the field that stores the radius of the collider from the Ship script and paste that field as a field in the ScreenWrapper script.
- 6. Cut the code that retrieves the CircleCollider2D component and saves its radius into your field from the Ship Start method and paste it in the ScreenWrapper Start method.
- 7. Cut the OnBecameInvisible method from the Ship script and paste it in the ScreenWrapper script.
- 8. Add the ScreenWrapper script as a component to both the Ship and Asteroid game objects in the Unity editor.
- 9. Caution: Even if the screen wrapping is working properly, so a player could play the built game and screen wrapping would work perfectly, it may not seem to be working in the Unity Editor. The best thing to do is to build the game (like you have to do to submit it) and play the built game; be sure to click the browser page to make the game "listen for" user input when you play it. If, however, you want to just stay in the editor, double click the Main Camera in the Hierarchy window, then use Ctrl + Middle Mouse Wheel to zoom in on the Scene view until the box that shows the edges of the camera view just disappears from view.

When you run your game, you should see the asteroid, using one of the three asteroid sprites, move in a random direction from the center of the window. When the asteroid leaves the screen it should wrap back into the screen. You should also make sure ship wrapping still works properly.

Note that if you left your asteroid on top of the ship in the scene, when the scene starts up they're immediately in collision so they both start moving. That's fine at this point; we'll make the

required changes later to actually kill the ship when it collides with an asteroid. I moved my ship out of the way so I could see the asteroid movement without that collision.