Assignment 4

UCS636 3D Modelling & Animation

Software Used: Blender 2.8

Rendering Engine: Cycles

Output Format: Video (MPEG-4/Mp4)



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Compatible Software(s) for enclosed file(s):

For Video (MP4) file

Windows Photo Viewer

Photos App for Windows

Any other software compatible of opening image files

For Blender (.blend) file

Compatible: Blender version 2.8 or above

Ideal: Blender version 2.8

Not compatible: Blender 2.79 or lower

Chosen Concept: Animated Pencil

The model was created in blender version 2.8 and all the 800 frames were rendered as PNG images and this image sequence was converted to a video at a frame rate of 50 fps.

The rendered first frame in PNG Format looks like:



Steps for Modelling

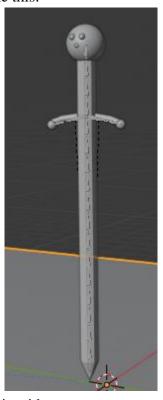
- 1. Add a circle with 8 vertices with fill as triangle fan
- 2. Extrude significantly in +Z direction
- 3. Extrude in -Z direction as well.
- 4. Connect the vertices of original face to the centre of bottom-most face and delete the remaining faces in that bottom most part
- 5. Apply a vertical loop cut on each face
- 6. Apply a horizontal loop cut at the bottom.
- 7. Connect the edges of bottom face with the vertex where loop horizontal loop cut meets the vertical loop cuts
- 8. Apply several horizontal loop cuts. It should look like the following figure.



9. In object mode, add an armature to the mesh as shown



- 10. In object mode. add small cylinders and spheres to form arms, hands and head.
- 11. In the topmost head, add eyes and nose using spheres.
- 12. Now select the long cylinder and the armature, click Ctrl+P and set parent with automatic weights.
- 13. Now in pose Mode, select the armature and click on inverse kinematics.
- 14. In object mode, click on one hand-sphere, and in pose mode, select the selective bones that form the hand and set parent to bone.
- 15. In object mode, click on another hand-sphere, and in pose mode, select the selective bones that form the hand and set parent to bone.
- 16. Repeat similar steps for arms and head
- 17. The entire model shall look like this.



- 18. Duplicate this object and keep it aside.
- 19. Now select the armature in object mode.

- 20. Press the record button in timeline, press I and select LocRotScale to insert a starting keyframe and then press Alt+A to start the playhead moving. Manually Simulate the movements using mouse button.
- 21. In pose Mode, select the bones and repeat step 20 for movement of bones and thus the orientation of the model.
- 22. Similarly rig the duplicate model.
- 23. Set a plane for floor, a plane for whiteboard and a plane for background. Apply proper textures to them and set the camera that the scene looks like this



- 24. For handwriting, add a Bezier curve that looks like "Thanks". Place this on the whiteboard.
- 25. Add a follow path constraint to pencil for frames 420-800 only. Then add a dynamic paint brush to the tip of the pencil, and a dynamic canvas to the whiteboard. Bake the sequence.
- 26. Set image sequence material to whiteboard for frames 420-800.
- 27. The designing, rigging and texture process is complete.
- 28. The final scene (frame 800) looks like this



Exporting to Unity

