

Let It Rock

Detailed Instructions

Overview

In this Unity project (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 Visual Studio.
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 Visual Studio.
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 iteration, 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 Visual Studio.
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 and play the built game. 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.