KW 10 – GameMechanics (1/2)

PREPARATION

Try to understand the game mechanics, level design and player movement in the following games:

- 1. Lunar Lander (1979): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=McAhSoAEbhM
- 2. Thrust / Oids: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dt44PEIWBRg
- 3. Space Taxi: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KuRyiFg6FBY

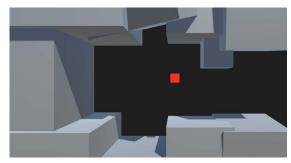


EXERCISE: ALONE IN THE CAVES

You are alone in a cave and you need to escape!

- a. Player: Create a primitive and add a controller to move it in 2d (horizontal/vertical).
- b. **Level:** Build a Level "Cave" with primitives. Use ONLY primitives (this exercise is not about the visuals, but the mechanics!)
- c. **Camera:** Set the camera for either a single screen game with a fixed camera or for tracking the player (for this exercise you only need to point the camera at the player).
- d. **Collisions (Lose Condition):** Add colliders to your level elements and player. If the player collides with the wall, the level should be reloaded.
- e. Triggers: Add simple Pick-Ups. Add a score or change the size of the player, when picked up.
- f. Win-Condition: Add a highlighted Exit to your cave.
- g. **Iteration:** Playtest your Leveldesign and tweak the elements to create an interesting challenge. You can also add a second level.

Exercise submission – Screen capture max 1 minute of interesting gameplay of your final game. Upload a small movie (mp4) to moodle.



Your result could look like this...

Challenges (Extra!)

- → Improve your player controller
 e.g. add a constant gravitation
- → Add distortion fields (like wind etc.)
- → Add gates you can open.

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PROGRAMMING HINTS

- a. Create cube primitves in the hierarchy, use the transform tools to scale and position the cubes. Build a level with cubes.
- b. Create a cube for the player and name it 'Player'
 - Add a component 'Rigidbody' to the player game object (Use Gravity = false; Is Kinematic = false)
 - (optional) Material: Create a new Material in project view (Assets).
 Add the material on the Player in the component Mesh Renderer.
- c. Add new Script to Player, than ...
 - 1. GetComponent<Rigidbody().
 - 2. Get Input (WASD/Arrow-Keys)
 - 3. Rigidbody.MovePosition()
 - 4. void OnCollisionEnter()
 - 5. reload Scene on Collison

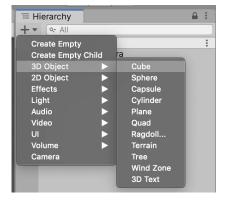
References

- → Unity Refrences: https://docs.unity3d.com/ ScriptReference/Rigidbody.MovePosition.html
- → https://docs.unity3d.com/ScriptReference/Collider.OnCollisionEnter.html
- → https://docs.unity3d.com/ScriptReference/ SceneManagement.SceneManager.html

important for Scene reload



If you are stuck and you need more support for the Basic Player Movement Script, you can find here a <u>solution</u>.



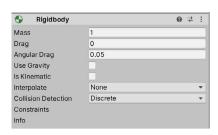
Create Primitives



Transform Tools



Add Rigidbody



Configurate Rigidbody



Add new script

Game Development