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Developer challenge kickoff (Q&A)

Battle RoyAle



Agenda

- Why?
- Goals?
- How does it work?
- What are the (game) rules?
- What are the technical specs?
- How do I participate?
- Final battle, when?
- I've this great idea, now what?
 (Q&A)



Why?

- Do something else
- Get out of the 'comfort zone'
- Fun
- Trigger people
- Step towards interesting projects (hopefully)



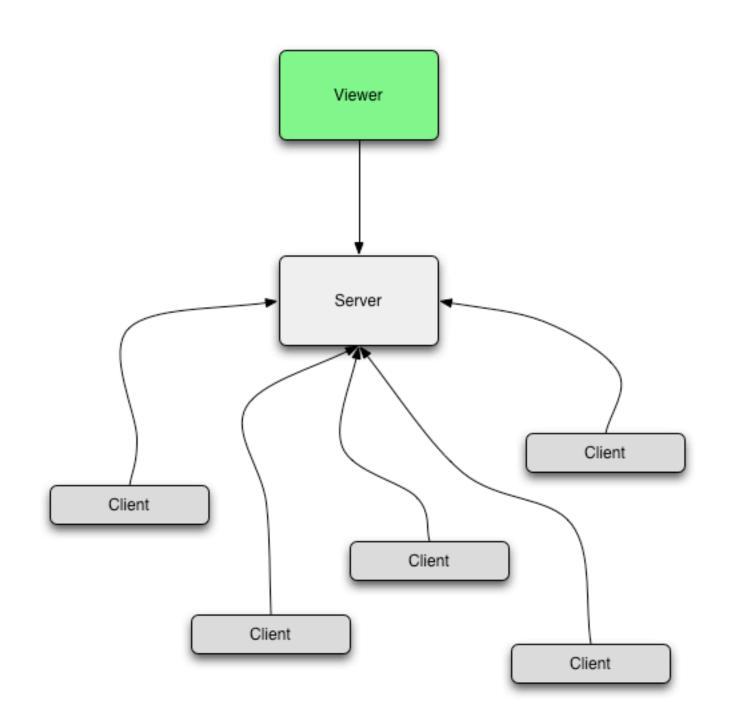
Goals?

- Easy accessible
- Communication interface should be clean
- Make people enthusiastic
- (Again) trigger people



How does it work?

- Client/Server based game
 Write an autonomous operating client (bot)
- Server controls the game
- Random generated world
- Clients control their own tank
- Multiple clients will participate in the same battle
- Score points by hitting/disabling other players



What are the game rules?

- Fixed set of rules
- Server will determine and communicate the parameters
- Rules as defined now:
 - Move Speed (10 units per second)
 - Rotation Speed (45 degrees per second)
 - Turret Rotation Speed (35 degrees per second)
 - Client State Update Interval (5 times a second)
 - Fire Interval (2.0 seconds)
 - Ballistics Travel Speed (150 units)
 - Ballistics Damage (20 units)
 - Field of View (80 degrees)
 - Turret Field of View (60 degrees)
 - Hit Points (100 units)
 - Enemy Hit Score (10 points)
 - Enemy Kill Score (50 points)
 - Suggestions..?



What are the technical specs?

- Communications is done by sockets
 - Clients sets up two communication channels
 - Send welcome message
 - Use client UID to setup server to client channel
- Messages are JSON encoded
 - Termination by '\n' character
 - One message, one line, easy parsing
- Server will send client state updates with a fixed interval

Setting up two channel communication





Server to client messages

```
// Server to client welcome message
    "welcomeToGame": {
       "withState": "lobby",
        "rules":
            "moveSpeed": 10,
            "rotationSpeed": 45,
            "turretRotationSpeed": 35,
           "fireInterval": 2,
            "ballisticTravelSpeed": 150
           "fieldOfView": 90,
           "turretFieldOfView": 45,
           "hp": 100,
            "ballisticDamage": 20,
            "enemyHitScore": 10,
            "enemyKillScore": 50,
        "currentPlayers":
                           "Achmed"
                           "Bartol"
                           "Borre"
                           "Bruno"
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// Server to client game start notitification
    "gameWillStart": {
        "in": 3,
        "withPlayers":
                        "Achmed"
                        "Bartol"
                        "Borre"
                        "Bruno"
        "onMap":
            "withSize":
                         1024
                         1024
        "havingObstacles":
                            "type": "mountain",
                            "size":
                                     32
```



Client to Server messages

```
// Connect client channel socket
    "connect": {
       "asUser": "[username]",
       "withTankColor": "255,0,0"
// Connect server channel socket
    "connect": {
       "asUserWithUID": 14326,
   "moveForwardWithSpeed": 1.0 // [0.0 - 1.0]
   "moveBackwardWithSpeed": 0.5 // [0.0 - 1.0]
   "moveWithSpeed": -0.75 // [-1.0 - 1.0]
    "rotateTank": 60.0 // [-359.0 - 359.0]
   "rotateTurret": -60.0 // [-359.0 - 359.0]
   "stop": "tankRotation" // ["tankRotation", "turretRotation", "moving", "scanning"]
// Server Response
    "ack": "moveForwardWithSpeed"
```



How do I participate?

- Let me know you're in
- Write your client
- Server/viewer will be made available
- Expect some updates
- Final battle begin of April



Final battle when?

- There will be one or two 'test rounds'
- The final battle during a FriMiBo presentation
- There will be a price (hoorays!)



I've a great idea, now what? (Q&A)

Do tell

