

CS 425

GAME PROGRAMMING 1

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ADMINISTRATIVE

- Prerequisites: CS 310, CS 325 and CS 351
 - Programming experience, in particular C++
- Required text: Game Engine Architecture by Jason Gregory. ISBN# 978-1-56881-413-1
- Grading
 - Quizzes: 10%
 - Final project: 20%
 - Programming assignments: 70%
- Assignments
 - Approximately 5 assignments
 - Work individually
 - 10 points deduction per late day

ADMINISTRATIVE

- Office hours
 - Monday, Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm (ENGR 4442)
- Takeaways
 - Knowledge about graphics, animation, simulations, games
 - Programming experience
 - Tools, technologies, methodologies
 - Foundation of a game

Classroom Behavior

- During the lecture/presentation/demo, the students should not play games, text on your phone and surf the web
- All electronic communication devices (including laptops, PDAs, cell phones) should be either turned off or silenced

Video Game?

- What is a video game?

TOPICS

- Game engines
- Camera system
- Procedural content generation
- Path finding and navigation
- Collision detection
- Physics simulation
- Animation
- Game AI: state machines, rules, sensing, memory
- Real-time rendering
- Other topics
 - MMORGB related topics
 - Web-based games
 - Sound/Audio
 - Unity

QUESTIONS FOR YOU

- How much C++ experience?
- Be working on your own computer?
- Have you worked with
 - OpenGL/DirectX?
 - OGRE (or any game engine)?
 - ODE/Bullet/Box 2d (or any physics engine)?
 - Game developer suite
- What do you want out of this class?
- Are there specific tools or algorithms you'd like to see?

QUESTIONS FOR ME?

CS 426

- It is actually not too early to think about CS 426
- The best video games developed in past CS426 classes started from an incomplete games instead of from scratch
- Start to think about
 - Your game play
 - Sub-systems in your game
 - IO, sound, network, assets
 - Techniques required