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UT2004 bots made easy!

# Pogamut 3

Lecture 8 – BOD & DeathMatch



# Warm Up!



- Fill the short test for this lessons
  - 8 minutes limit
  - http://alturl.com/2wghd
  - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1fsNOSv23mVM7W3xRi CYdkxtznhM-9m\_MA4OobZAyM-8/viewform

# Today's menu



- Big Picture
- 2. Weapons & Shooting
- 3. DM & BOD

# Big Picture Already covered



NPC component

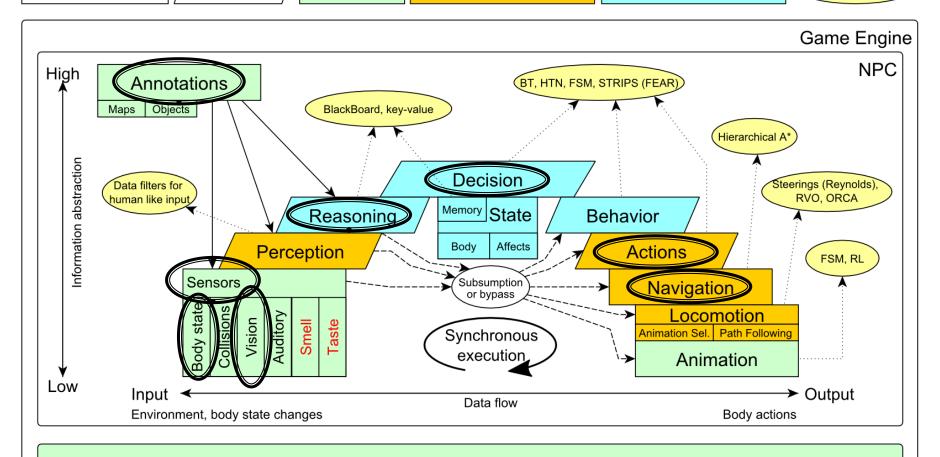
NPC Layer

Simulation

Low-level reasoning

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Game mechanics, Physics, Animation, Rendering

# Big Picture Today



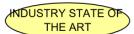
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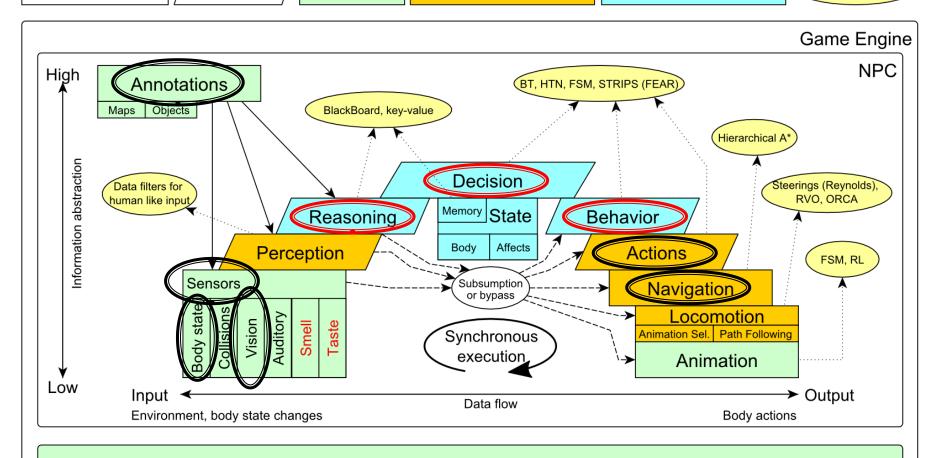
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  - http://planetunreal.gamespy.com/View.php?view=UT 2004GameInfo.Detail&id=26
  - http://unreal.standardof.net/unreal-tournament-2004/weapons-and-tactics/
- 3. DM & BOD

## Weapons

### UT2004 weapons guide I — the weak



- UT2004ItemType.SHIELD\_GUN (DEFAULT)
  - Melee weapon (can be charged)
  - Secondary mode shield (handy from distance!)
- UT2004ItemType.ASSAULT\_RIFLE (DEFAULT)
  - Weak, basic, inaccurate (can have two)
  - Secondary mode grenades (charged), don't use
- UT2004ItemType.BIO\_RIFLE
  - Fires green blobs, short range, defense weapon
  - Secondary mode charged (big blob)
  - Avoid ... weak
- UT2004ItemType.LINK\_GUN
  - Primary fires rather slow, but decent projectiles
  - Secondary medium-to-short range beam
    - Max 2000 distance!









## Weapons

### UT2004 weapons guide II — the strong



- UT2004ItemType.FLAK CANNON
  - Shotgun style weapon deadly at short range
  - Sec. mode is a grenade launcher, don't use
- UT2004ItemType.MINIGUN
  - Choose between rapid fire but less accuracy (pri. mode) or slower fire and more accuracy (sec. mode)
- UT2004ItemType.SHOCK\_RIFLE
  - Pri. mode is very accurate with medium damage
  - Sec. mode fires slow moving projectiles, that can be detonated by pri. fire making a big explosion (tricky to do though)
- UT2004ItemType.LIGHTING\_GUN & UT2004ItemType.SNIPER\_RIFLE
  - Sniper rifle precise, can one-shot others by a headshot
  - Bots can use only pri. fire (sec. is zoom)











### Weapons

### UT2004 weapons guide III — mayhem



- UT2004ItemType.ROCKET\_LAUNCHER
  - Good old rocket launcher, rockets have splash damage (beware!)
  - Secondary mode can charge up to three rockets
- UT2004ItemType.REDEEMER
  - Unleash nuclear mayhem!
    - big splash damage radius
  - Bots can use only primary firing mode!



 Not enough damage? Grab DOUBLE DAMAGE pack and double your damage output!





## Weapons Weaponry class



- this.weaponry
  - All you wanted to know about UT2004 weapons but were afraid to ask
  - Note that it contains also some obsolete and to-bedeprecated methods...

```
weaponry.getCurrentWeapon()
weaponry.hasWeapon(UT2004ItemType)
weaponry.hasLoadedWeapon()
weaponry.hasPrimaryLoadedWeapon()
weaponry.hasSecondaryLoadedWeapon()
weaponry.getLoadedWeapons()
weaponry.changeWeapon()
...
```

# Weapons & Shooting

### WeaponPreferences



- Weapons' effectiveness depends on distance to target
- Thus you should create different priority list for various "ranges"
- Wrapped in class weaponPrefs

```
weaponPrefs.addGeneralPref(UT2004ItemType.MINIGUN, true);
weaponPrefs.addGeneralPref(UT2004ItemType.LINK GUN, false);
```

- true -> primary firing mode
- false -> secondary firing mode

```
weaponPrefs.newPrefsRange(CLOSE_COMBAT_RANGE = 300)
    .add(UT2004ItemType.FLAK_CANNON, true)
    .add(UT2004ItemType.LINK_GUN, true); // 0-to-CLOSE
weaponPrefs.newPrefsRange(MEDIUM_COMBAT_RANGE = 1000)
    .add(UT2004ItemType.MINIGUN, true)
    .add(UT2004ItemType.ROCKET_LAUNCHER, true); // CLOSE-to-MEDIUM
```

- If range prefs fails, general are used
- You have to experiment! (== behavior parametrization!)

# Weapons & Shooting Shooting



Shooting with WeaponPrefs is easy!

```
Player enemy = players.getNearestVisiblePlayer();
shoot.shoot(weaponPrefs, enemy);
shoot.shoot(weaponPrefs, enemy,
        UT2004ItemType.ROCKET_LAUNCHER);
// do not use rocket launcher
shoot.setChangeWeaponCooldown(millis);
```

## Weapons & Shooting

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### Time your shooting – Cooldown class

Sometimes you need to perform the behavior "once in a time" => Cooldown

# Weapons & Shooting Time your behaviors – Heatup class



Sometimes you need to pursue some behavior for a while => Heatup

```
Heatup pursueEnemy = new Heatup(3000);
                            // millis
if (players.canSeeEnemy()) {
  pursueEnemy.heat();
   // fight the enemy
 else
if (pursueEnemy.isHot()) {
  // pursue the enemy
} else {
  // collect items
```

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# Deathmatch Bot BOD Revisited

#### Behavior Oriented Design

by Joanna J. Bryson (UK) http://www.cs.bath.ac.uk/~jjb/web/bod.html

- Specify top-level decision
  - a) Name the behaviors that the bot should do
  - Identify the list of sensors that is required to perform the behavior
  - c) Identify the priorities of behaviors
  - d) Identify behavior switching conditions
- Recursion on respective behaviors until primitive actions reached

## Deathmatch Bot BOD Revisited

```
    if (seeEnemy) combatBehavior()
    collectItems()
```

- Problems?
  - What if enemy is covering / reappearing?
  - What if I don't want to fight the enemy?

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# Deathmatch Bot BOD Revisited

```
    if (seeEnemy & wantToFight)
        combatBehavior()
    if (hunting) interceptEnemy()
    if (seeEnemy) coverBehavior()
    collectItems()
```

- Problems?
  - What if enemy is reappering and we're switching between 3 + 4?

# Deathmatch Bot BOD Revisited

#### Problems?

- We're breaking If-Then rules here! 4 must be executed in parallel with 5!
- Where is "hunting" flag rised & dropped?

### **Deathmatch Bot**

#### **Nature of actions**



- Every bot has several action "categories" that can be executed in parallel
- In case of UT2004
  - There are only two (three) of them
    - 1. Movement
    - Shooting
    - 3. (Focus)
  - Each category is having multiple actions that interfere with each others / cancel themselves out
  - And there are multiple behaviors that make use of them and they are going to overlap

### **Deathmatch Bot**

#### **Nature of actions**



- Behaviors
  - Combat / Intercept (possible decomposition)
    - Movement Covering, Approaching, Projectile dodging,
      - Aiming, Item picking
    - Shooting Weapon selection and fire rates
    - Focus Enemy
  - 2. Item picking
    - Movement Navigation, Item prioritization
    - Focus On path
- Practically, the bot is doing both of them at once! (It might just not have the other part specified.)
- => Be careful with switches and correctly maintain shooting/navigation/focus

# **Assignment 8**

(or Homework)



- Create DeathMatchBot
  - That arms himself and is able to fight an opponent
    - Combat, Intercept, Cover, Focus, Item
       Collecting behaviors
  - Try to come up with methods that can be reused between combat / item collection

## **DM Bot Tournament**

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# PogamutCup 2015 Invitation



Tournament between computer-controlled bots inside complex 3D virtual environment of Unreal Tournament 2004

Concrete setup

1v1, death-match, known maps

match: up-to 10 frags or 10 minutes

Find us at <a href="http://www.pogamutcup.com">http://www.pogamutcup.com</a> Submit your bot till 15.6.2015 Win the prize-money!



# Send us finished assignment



#### Via e-mail:

- Subject
  - "Pogamut homework 2015 Assignment X"
    - Replace 'x' with the assignment number and the subject has to be without quotes of course
    - ...or face -2 score penalization
- To
  - jakub.gemrot@gmail.com
    - Jakub Gemrot (Tuesday practice lessons)
- **Attachment** 
  - Completely zip-up your project(s) folder except 'target' directory and IDE specific files (or face -2 score penalization)
- Body
  - Please send us information about how much time it took you to finish the assignment + any comments regarding your implementation struggle
     Information won't be abused/made public

    - In fact it helps to make the practice lessons better
  - Don't forget to mention your full name!

### **Questions?**

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#### I sense a soul in search of answers...

- We do not own the patent of perfection (yet...)
- In case of doubts about the assignment, tournament or hard problems, bugs don't hesitate to contact us!
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