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UT2004 bots made easy!

# Pogamut 3

## Lecture 7 – Items and Weapons



# Warm Up!



- Fill the short test for this lessons
  - 7 minutes limit
  - <https://goo.gl/I1L3zf>
  - 0 vs.  $\emptyset$ , i vs. l vs. 1
  
- <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1HTOoXDXOa8ie1-Lvqs2pmV8-72Bh2bLTHoSx7aUbcIM/viewform>

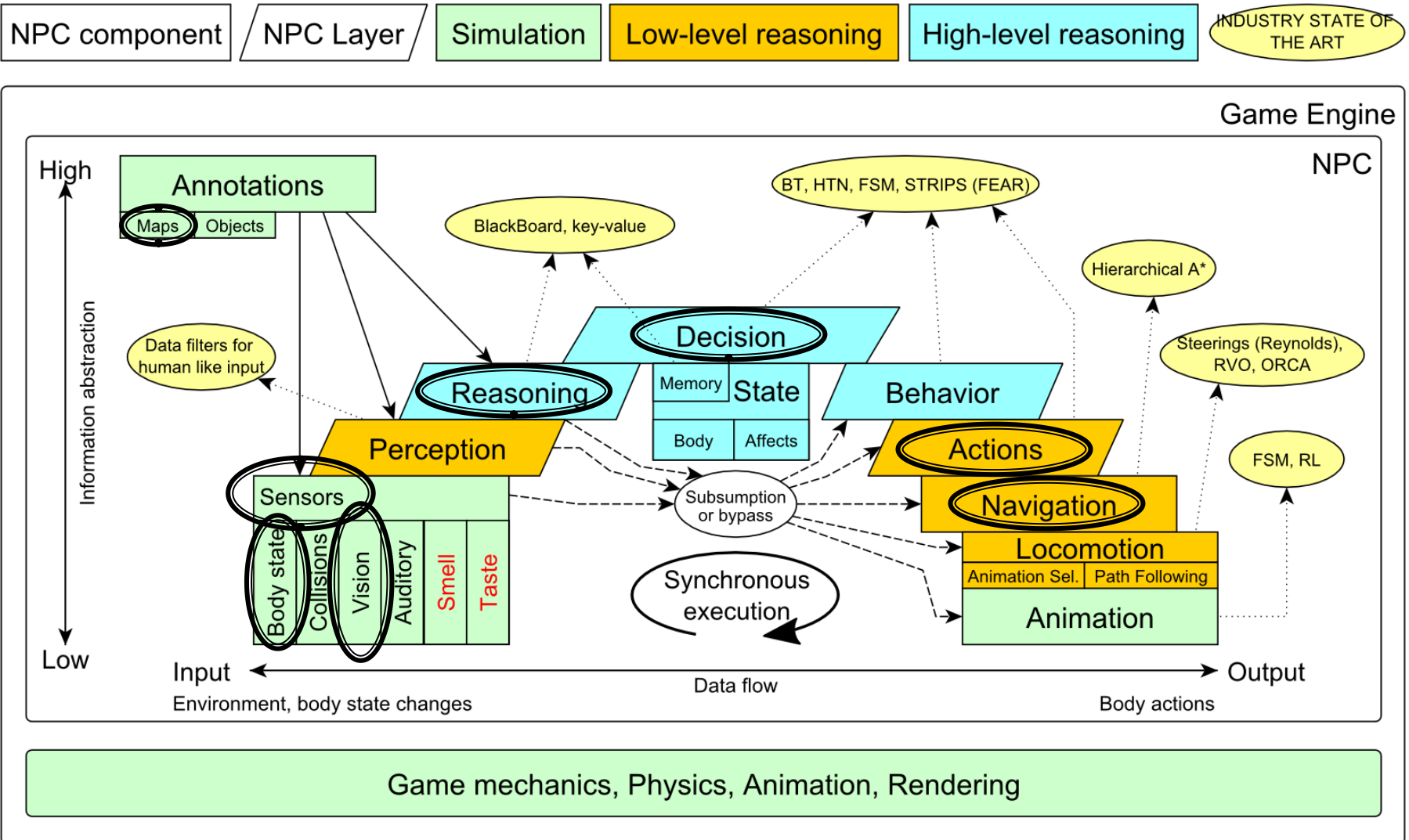
# Today's menu

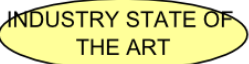


1. **Big Picture**
2. Pogamut World Abstraction
3. Navigation intermezzo
4. Items
5. Weapons & Shooting

# Big Picture

## Already covered





# Today's menu



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# Pogamut World Abstraction

## Items overview



### *Objects (IWorldObject):*

- Player
- **Item**
- NavPoint
- Self
- IncomingProjectile
- Use modules, listeners and Pogamut helper classes!
  - `this.players`, `this.items`, `this.info` ...
  - `MyCollections`, `DistanceUtils`, `fwMap`

### *Events (IWorldEvent):*

- HearNoise & HearPickup
- BotDamaged & BotKilled
- PlayerDamaged & PlayerKilled,
- **ItemPickedUp**
- GlobalChat

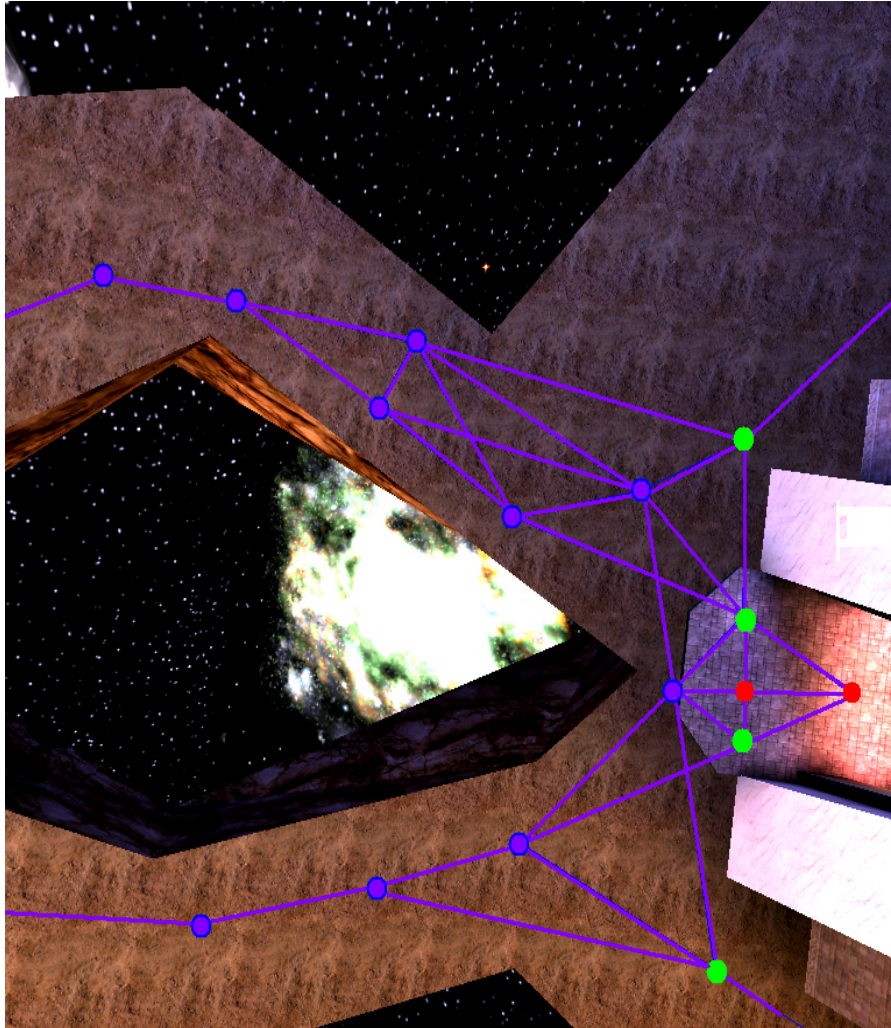
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if (this.items.getSpawnedItems().values().size() > 0) { ... }
```

```
@EventListener(eventClass = ItemPickedUp.class)
public void itemPickedUp(ItemPickedUp event) {
    ...
}
```

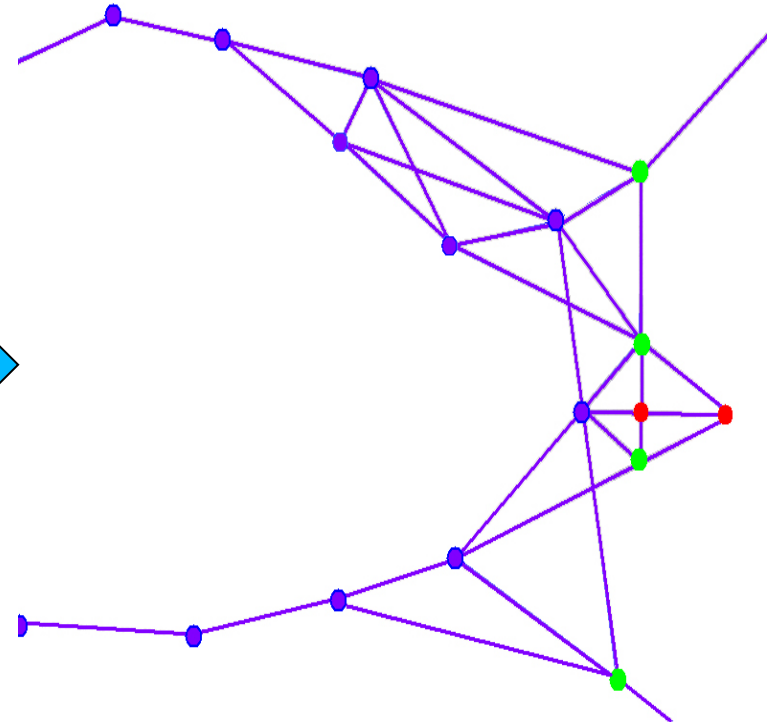


# UT2004 World Abstraction

## Navigation graph



#Navpoints in the map = 100 – 5000





# UT2004 World Abstraction

## Nav link/NavPoint types



### ■ NavPoints

- InventorySpot
- JumpPad
- Lift
- Teleport
- Door
- PlayerStart
- SnipingSpot
- ...

### ■ Nav links

- Walk
- Jump
- Lift
- Door
- DoubleJump
- ...

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# Navigation

## Step by step



General steps:

1. Decide where to go
2. Plan the path (list of navpoints/locations)
3. Follow the path

# Navigation

## Step by step



### Story so far:

1. Decide where to go
2. Plan the path (list of navpoints)
3. Follow the path
  - Watch for meaningfulness!
4. Check that you have truly grabbed the item!

```
@EventListener(eventClass = ItemPickedUp.class)
public void itemPickedUp(ItemPickedUp event) {
    log.info("I've got an item! " +
        event.getType().getName());
}
```

# Navigation

## Stages



1. Decide where to go (Reasoning + Decision making!)
  - `items.getSpawnedItems`  
( UT2004ItemType )
  - perform reasoning
    - It's OK to compute paths to all spawned items every `logic()`
2. Plan and follow the path
  - `navigation.navigate(item);`

# Navigation

## Stages



### 3. Follow the path

- Do you still believe that item your running for is spawned?

- It might have been picked up by your opponent!

```
if ( !items.isPickupSpawned( item ) )  
{ replan( ) ; }
```

# Navigation

## Stages



4. Check that you truly grabbed the item!
  - UT2004 navigation is not 100% precise
    - It might stop running just right before the item!  
`@EventListener(eventClass = ItemPickedUp.class)`  
`public void itemPickedUp(ItemPickedUp event) {`  
    `if (itemRunning.getId().equals(event.getId())) {`  
        `// I have picked the item!`  
    `}`  
`}`



# Navigation

## PathBuilder



General steps:

1. Decide where to go
2. Plan the path (list of navpoints/locations)
  - Navigation mesh "problem"
  - Complex path-planning
  - PathBuilder
3. Follow the path

# Navigation

## NavMesh and PathBuilder



What's the difference between "navpoint path" and "navmesh path"?

- Navmesh path is truly the shortest
  - Navmesh path does not traverse only nav-links
  - Navmesh path likes to do "wall-hugging"
- ⇒ This means you will miss moderate number of items you would have picked otherwise!

# Navigation

## NavMesh and PathBuilder



What is the real problem with “the shortest path to the item”?

You do not want that!

You need “a bit longer than shortest not the path to target item that picks other items along the way”.

Can you code this idea? ...  
Difficult...

# Navigation

## NavMesh and PathBuilder



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What is “a bit longer”?

What are “other items”?

# Navigation

## NavMesh and PathBuilder



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=> Price / Performance balancing

# Navigation

## NavMesh and PathBuilder



### Solution? (Two approaches)

1. Plan the path in advance
  - Plan the shortest path
  - Search for detours
  - Refine as long as there are “interesting items nearby” and “detour is not long” (greedy way)
2. Look for opportunities along the way
  - Plan the shortest path
  - Start navigating
  - Look around if you cannot “replan the path”
  - If you still have a credit for that

Compare these approaches!

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# Items

## Basics



- Item (accessible via `this.items` !)
  - More “spawning location” than item
    - `items.isPickupSpawned(item)`
  - Unique `UnrealId` => Can be used in Set, Map
  - `ILocated` ~ `getLocation()` ~ X, Y, Z
  - `IViewable` ~ `isVisible()`
  - Always has corresponding `NavPoint` instance
    - `NavPoint itemNP = item.getNavPoint()`
  - Described by **UT2004ItemType**
    - `item.getType()`

# Items

## Important ItemType



```
UT2004ItemType.FLAK_CANNON  
                .SHOCK_RIFLE  
                .LIGHTING_GUN
```

```
UT2004ItemType.SUPER_HEALTH  
                .SUPER_ARMOR  
                .SHIELD_PACK  
                .SUPER_SHIELD_PACK  
                .U_DAMAGE_PACK
```

# Items



## ItemType, UT2004ItemType & Categories

- UT2004ItemType, ItemType
  - Enum holding concrete type of the item
  - Part of some **ItemType.Category**
    - Categories are divided based on what items are intended to do
    - ItemType.Category.**HEALTH**
    - ItemType.Category.**ARMOR**
    - ItemType.Category.**SHIELD**
    - ItemType.Category.**WEAPON**
    - ItemType.Category.**AMMO**

# Items

## Items



- Agent module: `items`

```
items.getAllItems()
```

```
items.getVisibleItems(UT2004ItemType)
```

```
items.getSpawnedItems(UT2004ItemType)
```

```
items.isPickable(Item)
```

- `DistanceUtils`

```
.getNearest(Collection<Ilocated>)
```

```
.getNthNearest(n, Collection<Ilocated>)
```

- `fwMap`

```
.getNearestItem(Collection<Item>)
```

# Items

## ItemDescriptor(s)



- Every item is “well” described

```
Item item =  
    items.getAll(ItemType.Category.WEAPONS).values()  
        .iterator().next();
```

```
WeaponDescriptor weaponDesc =  
    (WeaponDescriptor)  
    descriptors.getDescriptor(item.getType());
```

```
if (weaponDesc.getPriDamage() > 50) {
```

```
...  
}
```

- Ammo / Armor / HealthDescriptor available as well

# Assignment 7

## (or Homework)



- Create **CollectorBot**
  - Collects weapons, ammo and armor on the map
  - Run 3 bots on ***DM-10n1-Albatross***
  - What if the item you want to pick up is not there? (e.g. you run two collector bots and the other one got it first) ~ **items.isPickupSpawned(item)**
    - Re-plan!
  - How to check that your bot can pick some item?
    - **items.isPickable(item)**
  - How to check the bot successfully picked up an item?
  - How to avoid unreachable items?
    - Use **TabooSet**

# Assignment

## Cheatsheet



- Getting and filtering the items:
  - `this.items.getSpawnedItems(UT2004ItemType.Category.WEAPON)`
  - `MyCollections.getFiltered(Collection, new IFilter<Item>() {...})`
- Handling unreachable items:
  - `Navigation.addStrongNavigationListener(...STACK_EVENT...)`
  - `myTabooSet.add()` & `myTabooSet.filter(...)`
- Some thin items (e.g. *HealthVial*) are tricky to pick up!  
How to be sure that your bot has picked the item up?
  - `ItemPickedUp.class` event  
`@EventListener(eventClass=ItemPickedUp.class)`  
`public void pickedUp(ItemPickedUp event) {}`



# Assignment

## Cheatsheet



- How can I know that the item is pickable?
  - When bot's health is 100, MEDKIT is not pickable...
  - `if (this.items.isPickable(item)) { ... }`
    - `items.isPickable()` tells you whether you can pick the item up at all!

# Send us finished assignment



Via e-mail:

- *Subject*
  - "Pogamut homework 2016 – 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](mailto: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**
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  - Don't forget to mention your full name!

# Questions?

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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