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Exercise 8

For bonus points upload your solutions until Tuesday, December 19th, 2017, 13:29

General Information

- The exercises may be solved by teams of up to three people.
- The solutions have to be uploaded to the Git repositories assigned to the individual teams.
- The submission date (for practical and theoretical tasks) is noted on top of each exercise sheet.
- If you have questions about the exercises write a mail to game-technology@kom.tu-darmstadt.de or use the forum at https://www.fachschaft.informatik.tu-darmstadt.de/forum/viewforum.php?f=557

P8. Practical Tasks: Physics (5 Points)

In this exercise, the overall task is to build a demo in which you can shoot spheres from the camera position by pressing the space key and have them interact with each other and a plane. The code is provided for you. Your task is to fill out the respective functions. The code can be found at https://github.com/TUDGameTechnology/Exercise8.git

Please remember to push into a branch called "exercise 8".

P8.1 Particle Systems - Billboards

You can see in the exercise code that the particles are being spawned, but when the camera turns, they are visible from the side and back. Instead, we want them oriented towards the camera. Implement this rotation. The view matrix of the camera is available to the particle system.

P8.2 Particle Systems – Control parameters

Decide on an effect you want to create using particle systems that uses one control parameter that is not present in the code you are given. For example, you can implement the "fire" example from the slides. Other control parameter could be the rotation of the particle billboards (you might want to change the texture in this case as the provided texture is symmetrical), the size of the billboards or the mass. For rain, you could spawn a "splash" particle when the rain hits the ground.

P8.3 Numerical Integration

Implement an Euler integrator for the physics computations. The necessary function can be found in "PhysicsObject.cpp". Note that it is beneficial to multiply the resulting velocity during the integration step with a damping coefficient. This coefficient accounts for energy that is normally lost when objects move and interact, and helps the system come to rest eventually.

P8.4 Sphere-Sphere Intersections

Implement an intersection test for two spheres with each other. This task entails implementing the functions bool IntersectsWith(const SphereCollider& other); vec3 GetCollisionNormal(const SphereCollider& other); float PenetrationDepth(const SphereCollider& other);

which are found in "Collision.h"

T8. Theoretical Task: Physics (5 Points)

T8.1 Sphere-Box-Intersection (3 Points)

Research a method for intersection between a box and a sphere or derive your own.

Describe the chosen intersection test and write it in pseudocode.



T8.2 Integration constant acceleration (2 Points)

Imagine a sphere with mass m=1kg that is falling down in a vacuum. At t=0, the sphere is released. The velocity v at t=0 is 0. The acceleration a is constant at 10 m/s² in the negative y-direction.

Calculate the movement of the sphere by integrating the equations of motion using the Euler method as explained in the lecture (you can use a spreadsheet application or a script).

a) Use a time step of deltaT=1s and provide the values of height (z) and velocity (v) for the situation at time t=3s.

т	у	v	acceleration	mass	deltaT
0	0	0	-10	1	1

b) Use a time step of deltaT = 0.5s and provide the values. Compare the results with an analytical solution and discuss them.

t	у	v	acceleration	mass	deltaT
0	0	0	-10	1	0,5