Mad Game Development

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Destruction Golf

- The game is for one or more players
- Players hit golf balls (and other projectiles) at destructible scenery (or each other) with the aim of clearing the tee for the next shot
- Team or individual play
- 2D or 3D graphics





Game Requirements

- Turn based play
 - Team based option for more than 2 players
 - Computer players optional
- At least 3 different levels
- Sound effects
- PC based with gamepad
 - Xbox 360 and WindowsPhone optional





Development Options

- XNA 3.1 or XNA 4.0 (preferred) for development
 - Paint.NET for graphics
 - Audacity for sound
- We will have systems set up for use in our labs
- If you want to bring your own laptops we can set you up in a lab
- We will have Xbox 360 and Windows Phone devices for testing on those platforms



Resources

• The web site for the project is now live:

http://www.destructiongolf.com/

- More resources will be added during the week
 - XNA samples
 - Physics engine samples
 - Game state samples





Event Timetable

- Monday 18th 1:15 pm 312 Introduction Meeting
- Wednesday 20th 1:15 pm 312 XNA scenery and projectiles
- Friday 22nd 1:15 pm 312 XNA and Farseer Physics Engine
- Saturday 23rd 11:00 am 312 Crunch Development Start
- Sunday 24th 11:00 am 312 Wrap Up Presentations



Food and Drink

- We will be providing some food over the "Crunch Development"
 - Saturday 23rd mid afternoon snack + Late Night Pizza
 - Sunday 24th breakfast pastries
- We will have some drinks and nibbles available outside those times
- We will be asking each team member who turns up to pay £2.00 towards the cost of the food



Locations

- During the crunch development we will be based in our department, on the Top Floor of the Robert Blackburn Building
 - Design Lab 312 : Competition Office
 - ITMB Lab 321 : Development Area
 - Seminar Room 308: Development Area
 - Open Area: Games and stuff
- More details on locations later



Lectures

- We will be delivering a couple of lectures during the week
- Wednesday 20th 1:15 pm 312 XNA scenery and projectiles
 - An overview of how to draw a scene and move projectiles within it using XNA
- Friday 22nd 1:15 pm 312 XNA and Farseer Physics Engine
 - A simple introduction to using a Physics engine to display and animate game objects
- Sample code will be provided from both lectures that you can use in your games



Stuff you Need to Do

- Register your team
- Get your team organised
- Draw out an overview of how your game will work
 - Start from a very simple game and add complication later
- Get some artwork
 - But you can get the gameplay working without needing any of the finished art, just put in placeholders
- Have fun

Questions?



www.destructiongolf.com