

Animation Foundations 05. Introduction to procedural animations + Exercises on rotations

Kinds of animations

- Physically-based Animations
 - Tissue
 - Water
 - Smoke
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- Ragdoll physics
 - Ragdolls
 - Physics-based character animation
- IK





Examples

- Ragdoll example in unity
- Videogames
 - A Bud's life
 - Gang Beasts



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Summary of previous courses on rotations:

- Rotations in 2D
 - Angle
 - Matrix
- Rotations in 3D
 - Euler Angles
 - Yaw-Pitch-Roll
 - Axis Angle
 - 3x3 Matrix



Today, we use the stuff that has imagination:

- Reminder rotations in 2D
 - Angle
 - Matrix
 - Complex Numbers
- Introduce New method for Rotations in 3D
 - Euler Angles
 - Yaw-Pitch-Roll
 - Axis Angle
 - 3x3 Matrix
 - Quaternions



Rotations

- With complex numbers
- With quaternions

We want to have:

- Compact representation
- Simple calculation
- Robust composition
- Robust interpolation



Find the offset angles between target1 and tracker.

Then make target1 align with tracker.

- Make it with object "tracker" and target1 "rectangle1"
- Use angle axis to find explicitly the angle offsets.



Make target1 align with tracker.

• Use one ligne of code (use the quaternion that corresponds to the offset rotation)

Then, make it align with tracker, but slowly in time.

- Use method Quaternion.AngleAxis
- Use method Transform.Rotate



Make target1 follow tracker while keeping the offset.

1. Make it with object "tracker" and target1 "rectangle1"

Use exercise 2 and apply a quaternion transf. to it

2. Imagine "tracker" is an HMD tracker, and apply it also to the robot's head

3. Apply it to the robot's head and to the virtual camera





Make target2 follow the transformations of target1, but in such a way that it is aligned with the tracker

How can you find the right offset?



Write your own Quaternion class that:

- Always keeps values normal
- Can multiply quaternions
- Can invert quaternions
- Can convert from axis angle
- Can convert to axis angle
- Optionally, gives a warning if it is rotating more than 180°

• Check that exercise 4 still Works when using it

To design the class, imagine that in the future you might want to encapsulate it in a .dll

- Base it solely on the Mathf library
- Make it independent from gameObject

