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Posted by David Fanning on Wed, 04 Jul 2007 04:13:29 GMT

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Posted by Michael Galloy on Wed, 04 Jul 2007 08:24:16 GMT
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Check out:

http://michaelgalloy.com/wp-content/uploads/2007/07/cursor t est.pro

and let me know if that is the effect your are looking for. Push any ASCII key or the button on the bottom to move the cursor to the given location (x: 200, y: 100).

Mike

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Posted by David Fanning on Wed, 04 Jul 2007 13:55:06 GMT

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Mike Galloy writes:

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Posted by Bob[3] on Wed, 04 Jul 2007 15:28:33 GMT

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Seems to me the effect you are looking for isn't so much having the "mouse offset" represent the "radian that "head" need to rotate", but rather have the offset proportional to the rate of change of the "head" turn.

By making the offset porportional to the rate of turn rather than the absolute magnitude having the mouse cursor centered would keep the viewing angle steady (no turn). Having it mouse at the left window edge would have the view turning to the left at a maximum allowable rate. Having the mouse partially to the left of center would turn the "head" left at a slower rate. That would allow continuous rotation to the left(right) whenever the mouse is to the left(right) of center. I haven't played any first person angle games in quite a while, but that is how I remember them working.

Being able to re-center the mouse, as Mike's pro above does would still be useful to quickly stop any rotation.

Bob.

Subject: Re: about WSET

Posted by Michael Galloy on Wed, 04 Jul 2007 15:57:10 GMT

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Mike

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Subject: Re: about WSET

Posted by airy jiang on Thu, 05 Jul 2007 10:10:31 GMT

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Thank you very much!

Now I got the answer,and I've made a nice effect of what I wanted. Let's cheers!!^ ^

ps:I've found another bug of IDL.I don't know whether you have met it before.

Let's see this code:

IF (event.x LT 1) OR (event.x GT drawX-1) THEN BEGIN TVCRS,0,0,/Device

ENDIF

When I move the mouse slowly or steady to the edge of the Widget_Draw, the IDL can access the position of the mouse, and made the right action that set the mouse to the [0,0], but If I move the mouse very fast to the edge of the Window, it seemed that the IDL can't catch the change of the mouse , then the mouse moved to the outside of the window , rather than made the action that set the mouse to the [0,0]. You can test this, of course, this is not a big problem, we can use many ways to avoid them, but it indeed exists.

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Posted by Rick Towler on Thu, 05 Jul 2007 21:26:19 GMT

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I guess you never got my DirectInput dlm to work? Is my code that bad? :(I've done all of this for you... You never did say what platform you are on and maybe that is the problem. It should work for Win2k/XP with DirectX 9. What version of IDL?

-Rick