CMSC425 Midterm 2 Prep and practice – REVISED (SEE EXCLUDED TOPICS)

The midterm on May 8th will be in class, closed book, and similar to Midterm 1. There will be 5 to 6 questions, up to seven pages, with the first question short answer and the rest applications of the concepts. Questions from the homeworks are fair game, as are questions from lectures before spring break and the practice midterm exams from spring and fall 2018. Question on Unity will be limited, and based on what you should have learned in Project 1.

Possible concepts and questions include:

- 1. Metrics for best path on map
- 2. Navmesh process (R_D_P algorithm, triangulation)
- 3. Walkable terrain
- 4. Find paths on triangulated space
- 5. Configuration spaces
- 6. Quality of path
- 7. C-obstacles
- 8. Minkowski sums
- 9. Navmesh grid, mulitresolution grid
- 10. Visibility graph
- 11. Medial axis
- 12. Randomized placement
- 13. Rapidly-expanded Random Trees (RRTs)
- 14. L-system plus turtle
- 15. Fractal dimension
- 16. Randomized and 3D L-systems
- 17. Particle systems
- 18. Flocking
- 19. Mandelbrot sets
- 20. Constructive solid geometry
- 21. Shading equation
- 22. Bump mapping
- 23. Polygonal meshes basics, Euler's formula
- 24. DECL data structures
- 25. Perlin noise
- 26. A*
- 27. Admissible heuristic
- 28. Multiplayer cheating attacks
- 29. Forbidden velocities for crowd motion
- 30. Curves and patches (linear, cubic, bilinear, Hermite cubic, matrix representation)