Control

AKA Artificial Intelligence in Games

Interception

- How do I intercept another entity
- Predator versus Prey
- Assumptions:
 Predator Controls:
 Turn left or turn right
 Predator Algorithm:
 If prey is to your right turn right
 If prey is to your left turn left
 else move straight

Coordinates



The Geometry

- Diff = U V
 - Is the vector from Predator to Prey
- Now we want to know whether this vector points to Predator's left or right
- To do this:
 - Transform this vector to Predator's coordinate space
 - Then, determine what direction the predator is moving in
 in predator's coordinate space? That is, which axis is
 "forward" for the predator?
 - If the transformed vector points to the left of forward
 turn left
 - If the transformed vector points to the right of forward
 turn right

Coordinates



The Math

- RotateVector2D(theta, (x, y))
- x' = x cos (theta) + y sin (theta)
- y' = x sin (theta) + y cos (theta)
- How do you check if (x', y') is to the left or right of predator at (0, 0)?

Coordinates



Intercept code

- Intercept:
- If (x', y') is to the left of me

 if y' > 0
- If (x', y') is to the right of me
 if y' < 0



Floating point issues:Epsilon = 0.001

if y' > Epsilon:

turn left

if y' < -Epsilon:

turn right

Flee is the inverse of Intercept

• Flee:

- If (x', y') is to the left of me

 turn right

 If (x', y') is to the right of me
 - o turn left

 Invert the less than and greater than signs in your intercept logic