

EE6411/ED5021 Programming Project

1. Overview

This programming project is to be undertaken in groups of three to four students – please add your group details to the module’s SULIS page (Wiki section). This page also provides a facility to look for additional group members or to look for a group.

Any queries regarding the group project should be issued via the module’s SULIS page Forum facility.

Your task is to write a simple Fantasy Game played through a text interface. The aim of the game is to collect as much gold as possible by defeating enemy characters. A (partially) implemented executable can be found on the module’s webpage to give you an idea of what is expected. If you have any queries, please send them to me via email. Questions and answers will be posted on the module webpage.

2. Rules of the Game

2.1 Environment:

The game is played on a rectangular board consisting of X by Y squares - both values are freely selectable by the player at the beginning of each game. Each square can hold an item, an enemy or be empty. At the beginning of a game the board is initialised, i.e. each square is assigned either an enemy, an item or stays empty. After choosing a character the player begins the game at the starting square. The game starts on daytime. Daytime and Night-time alternate every 5 commands. The game is based on simple commands, entered via the keyboard. The following commands are available (use the first character for input):

- North, South, East, West – character moves to the square in the indicated direction (north=up, south=down, east=right, west=left)
- pick up – character attempts to add item on square to inventory (if the resulting total weight exceeds the character’s strength, this will fail)
- drop – drops one item (prompt user for the item to be dropped) to the current square (if the square already contains an item, request is ignored)
- attack – character attacks enemy on current square (if this results in the character’s health dropping to below zero, it is defeated)
- look – prints out information about the current location (information about any enemies or items present)
- inventory – prints out the list of items the player is currently carrying and the amount of gold that the player has earned.
- exit – ends the game

2.2 Characters:

Characters have the following properties:

- Attack (A) – indicates the attack-force of the character
- Attack Chance – indicates the probability of a successful attack, e.g. Hobbits have only a 1 in 3 probability of an successful attack.
- Defence (D) – indicates the defensive abilities of the character
- Defence Chance – indicates the probability to defend against a successful attack, e.g. Hobbits can defend against 2 out of 3 successful attacks.

- Health (H) – indicates the health status of a character. Once the health level has reached 0 the character is defeated.
- Strength (S) – indicates the weight a character can carry.

2.3 Race:

The race defines the abilities of a character. The following races are available: Human, Elf, Dwarf, Hobbit (Halfling), Orc

The following table shows the basic abilities for each race

Race	Attack	Attack Chance	Defence	Defence Chance	Health	Strength
Human	30	2/3	20	1/2	60	100
Elf	40	1/1	10	1/4	40	70
Dwarf	30	2/3	20	2/3	50	130
Hobbit	25	1/3	20	2/3	70	85
Orc*	25(45)	1/4(1/1)	10(25)	1/4(1/2)	50	130

*Value is divided into day(night), ie. Orcs are very good at night, but poor at day

2.4 Special Race Abilities:

- Human: Successful defences never cause damage.
- Elf: Successful defences always increases health by 1
- Dwarf: Successful defences never cause damage
- Hobbit: Successful defences cause 0-5 damage regardless of attack value
- Orc: During day-time, successful defences cause 1/4 of adjusted damage (ie. 1/4 of attacker's attack – defender's defence). During night-time, successful defences cause increase of health by 1

2.5 Items:

Each character can carry items up to a weight indicated by its strength. Items modify the basic abilities of characters. A character can carry only one item of each category, except rings, of which a player can carry as many as the character's strength allows. The following items are available (category is indicated in brackets):

- Sword (Weapon), weight 10: increases attack by 10
- Dagger (Weapon), weight 5: increases attack by 5
- Plate Armour (Armour), weight 40: increases Defence by 10, decreases Attack by 5
- Leather Armour (Armour), weight 20: increases Defence by 5
- Large Shield (Shield), weight 30: increases Defence by 10, decreases Attack by 5
- Small Shield (Shield), weight 10: increases Defence by 5
- Ring of Life (Ring), weight 1: increases Health by 10
- Ring of Strength (Ring), weight 1: increases Strength by 50, decreases Health by 10

2.6 Combat Rules:

Enemies have the same characters/types as players. Whenever a player attacks an enemy, the enemy will immediately afterwards attack the player (unless the enemy was defeated on the last attack). For each attack the following rules apply:

1. The attacker resolve the attack success determined by the attack chance of the attacker's race. If the attack fails, terminate this round (if this is player's round move on to enemy, otherwise wait for the player's next command).

2. On successful attack, the defender resolves the defence success determined by the defence chance of the defender's race.
3. If the defence fails, the attack amount of the attacker (race + weapon) is adjusted by the defence value of the defender (race+weapon-defence) and then subtracted from the defender's health (defender new health = defender old health - (race+weapon-defence))
4. On a successful defence, the damage is determined by the character's race (see special race abilities).
5. If the health of the player reaches 0 (or below), the game is over. Your game should display the result (amount of gold collected) of the game.
6. If the health of an enemy reaches 0 (or below), the enemy is defeated: Remove the enemy from the board and add the enemy's defence value (adjusted by any carried items) in gold to the player's inventory.

Combat example: Hobbit Frodo (A20D20H70) is attacked during daytime by Orc Gargoyle (A25(50)D10(30)H50). Assuming Gargoyle succeeds with his attack (1/4 chance) and Frodo's defence succeeds (2/3 chance), then Frodo's health is reduced by random value 0-5 (race ability). If Gargoyle's attack fails, Frodo's health stays unchanged and if Frodo's defence fails his health is reduced by the attack value minus his defence (A25-D20 = 5).

Combat example 2: Hobbit Frodo (A20D20H70) attacks during daytime Orc Gargoyle (A25(50)D10(30)H50). Assuming Frodo's attack succeeds and Gargoyle's defence fails, then Gargoyle's health is reduced by 10 (A20-D10).

Above calculations assume that all characters are carrying no items. Any worn items will change the outcome of the attacks according to their modifications. If the health of any character drops to zero or below, that character dies. If the player defeats an enemy he will gain the enemy's defence value (adjusted by any items the enemy is carrying) in gold, i.e. if a player defeats a basic human enemy that player will gain 20 gold pieces.

Note: If you want to extend the list of characters and/or items, feel free to do so. However, above character/item lists are the minimum for a successful project.

3. Instructions

Please follow these instructions carefully:

- Your solutions **must** use object oriented programming (e.g. classes) – a solution in an imperative programming style (e.g. just main and a collection of functions, but no classes) will be **deemed a failed project**.
- Your solution needs to compile on an Ubuntu Linux machine (as provided in the labs B2042/43: Ubuntu 16.04) using g++. A solution that **does not compile will be deemed a failed project**.
- Before you start, investigate the C++ Standard Template Library (STL). For example, visit any of the following web pages (many other resources are available):
 - <http://www.learncpp.com/cpp-tutorial/16-1-the-standard-template-library-stl/>
 - https://www.tutorialspoint.com/cplusplus/cpp_stl_tutorial.htm
 - <http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/stl/>
- As the game board consists of X by Y squares, where X/Y are freely selectable by the user, your game board must be based on one of the STL containers (pick any container you consider suitable).

- Similarly, the list of items is able to hold a large number of items (particularly rings). Thus, again, your implementation of the list of items must be based on one of the STL containers (pick any container you consider suitable).
- Design your classes and implement your game – make sure to comment your code, to format your code properly and to spread your code over suitable files.
- Create a Makefile to simplify compilation of your code (see comments on Makefile in Section 3 Submission & Marking).

3. Submission & Marking

The project is worth 20% of the module. Deadline for the project is Friday, 25.11.2016 (week 12). Solutions are to be submitted electronically (as a single tar archive) via the module's SULIS page. One submission per group is sufficient. To create a tar archive, use the following command (please **do not** use compression as this sometimes causes problems on SULIS):

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tar cvf yourTarfile.tar files
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where should replace *yourTarfile.tar* with the name you choose for your tar file and *files* with the files/folders you want to include in the tar file. I strongly recommend to check afterwards that your tar file contains all files (copy it to another folder and extract it with **tar xvf** *yourTarfile.tar* and confirm that all files are present – I can only mark what I receive)

A complete solution consists of the following:

- A document (Text, MS Word or Pdf) that explains the STL class(es) you have used in your solution.
- Well documented and formatted source code for the game implementation using a suitable file structure.
- A Makefile written by yourself (do not use an IDE generated Makefile). Your Makefile must have the following features:
 - Provide separate targets for compilation and linking.
 - Running make without a target should invoke the compile target, the link target and also automatically start your game executable.
 - Provide “clean” target that removes temporary files, object files and executable files.
 - **Not use** implicit rules.

The marking scheme for this project is as follows:

STL Document	2
Game Board Implementation	3
List of Items Implementation	2
Game Implementation	10
Makefile	3
Insufficient Comment Penalty	-5
Poor Code Format Penalty	-5
Poor File Structure Penalty	-5
Total:	20

5. Reminders, Miscellaneous & Hints

- Your solutions **must use object oriented programming** (e.g. classes) – a solution in an imperative programming style (e.g. just main and a collection of functions, but no classes) will be **deemed a failed project**.
- Your game board and your list of items must be able to handle any size/number of fields/items – use of **static arrays is not sufficient**. Your solution **must use the Standard Template Library (STL)** for these.
- You must **properly comment** your code (top of each file, before each function/method (including description of parameter & return value) and within your code). Your code **must also be properly formatted** (after each opening curly bracket, code should be “pushed in”, after closing curly bracket, return to previous level). **Insufficient comments or poorly formatted code will lead to significant loss of marks** (up to -5 for lack of comments, -5 for poor format).
- While use of inheritance & polymorphism is **not a requirement**, their use will greatly reduce the programming effort for this project.
- There is no need to include a graphical user interface or any kind of artificial intelligence (the player is the only active character).
- Only standard C++ libraries are allowed – if you wish to use any other library you must first seek permission from me.
- Random numbers can be generated with the function rand() defined in <cstdlib>. This function will always return the same sequence of pseudo-random numbers (Range 0-MAX_RANDOM, use rand()%(x+1) to get values 0-x). The function srand(int seed) can be used to set the seed of the generator. Either prompt the user for a random seed (to be set at the beginning of the game) or use some other value like the current time etc. However, the srand() function should be called only once for each game.