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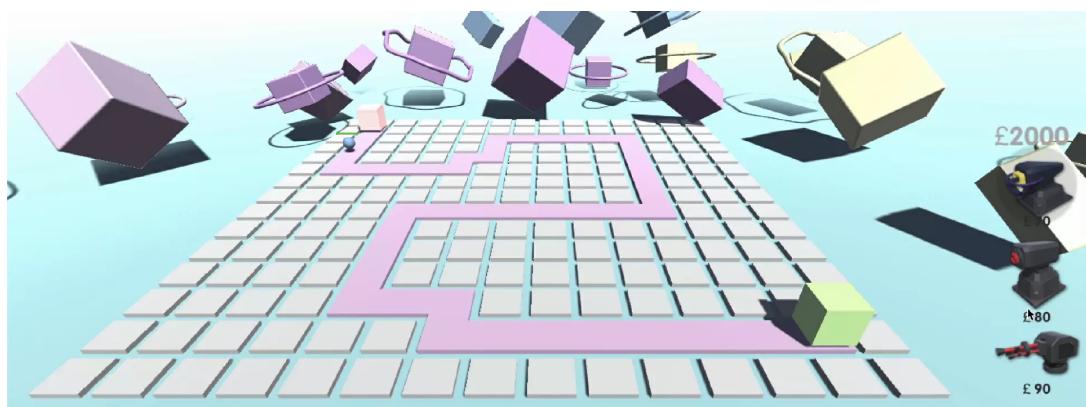
Advanced Visualisation and Computational Environments

Game Name: "CUBE UNIVERSE"

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Introduction

In this project, I decided to make a 3D tower defense game with Unity and use an Arduino board to control part of the game.



Inspiration and Game rules

In this 3D tower defense game, we are in a huge cube universe, which is full of harmony and peace. Suddenly, however, a group of mysterious spheres emerged from unknown dimensions, threatening our universe.

The goal of these spheres is to invade our universe and take away our freedom and peace. As the defenders of the cube universe, we decided to bravely resist the invaders. Players can choose three kinds of turrets on the right to attack the sphere, and the turrets can be upgraded. After upgrading, the attack strength and attack range of the turrets will be enhanced.

Project Download & video Link:

Zip: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1zB_jHBt6LnPRF0ieXj35pwQcQv09AgU0/view?usp=sharing
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Video: <https://youtu.be/1yM6wdxmtE>

Coding Parts(Step by step):

1. In the Hierarchy layer, create a huge Plane as the ground.
2. Use cubes to set a 15*15 map.

3. Use cubes to set a start and end point.
4. Setting camera (All coding part of MainCamera Script):

```

1 public class ViewController : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public float speed = 25;
4     public float mouseSpeed = 600;
5     // Update is called once per frame
6     void Update()
7     {
8         float h = Input.GetAxis("Horizontal");
9         float v = Input.GetAxis("Vertical");
10        float mouse = Input.GetAxis("Mouse ScrollWheel");
11        transform.Translate(new Vector3(h*speed, -mouse*mouseSpeed, v*spee
d) * Time.deltaTime, Space.World);
12    }
13 }
```

5. Setting enemy's path of action:

```

1 public class Waypoints : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public static Transform[] positions;
4     private void Awake()
5     {
6
7         positions = new Transform[transform.childCount];
8         for (int i=0;i < positions.Length;i++)
9         {
10             positions[i] = transform.GetChild(i);
11         }
12     }
13 }
```

6. Setting Enemies and control enemies' moving:

```

1 public class Enemy : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public float speed = 10;//Enemy's speed
4     private Transform[] positions;
5     private int index = 0;
6
7     void Start()
8     {
9         positions = Waypoints.positions;//get enemy's path
10    }
11    void Update()
12    {
13        Move();
14    }
15    void Move()
```

```

16    {
17        if (index > positions.Length - 1) return;
18        transform.Translate((positions[index].position - transform.position).normalized * Time.deltaTime * speed);
19        if( Vector3.Distance( positions[index].position,transform.position) < 0.2f)
20        {
21            index++;
22        }
23    }
24}
25

```

7. Create an enemy incubator to manage the generation of enemies. First create 4 types of enemies, Enemy2, Enemy3, and Enemy4 prefabs with different color materials, and create a separate script Wave for generating the attributes required for each wave:

```

1 [System.Serializable]
2 {
3     public GameObject enemyPrefab;
4     public int count;
5     public float rate;
6 }

```

8. Improve enemies. Make an empty object generator GameManager and put all management related scripts on it.

In GameManager Script:

```

1 public class EnemySpawner : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public static int CountEnemyAlive = 0;//The current number of enemies
4     alive, the default is 0
5     public Wave[] waves;
6     public Transform START;
7     public float waveRate = 3;
8
9     void Start()
10    {
11        StartCoroutine("SpawnEnemy");
12    }
13
14    public void Stop()
15    {
16        StopCoroutine("SpawnEnemy");
17    }
18
19    SpawnEnemy()
20    {
21        foreach(Wave wave in waves)
22        {

```

```

23         for(int i = 0; i < wave.count; i++)
24         {
25             GameObject.Instantiate(wave.enemyPrefab, START.position, Q
26             uaternion.identity);
27             CountEnemyAlive++;
28             if (i != wave.count - 1)
29             {
30                 yield return new WaitForSeconds(wave.rate);
31             }
32             while (CountEnemyAlive > 0)
33             {
34                 yield return 0;
35             }
36             yield return new WaitForSeconds(waveRate);
37         }
38         while(CountEnemyAlive > 0)
39         {
40             yield return 0;
41         }
42     }
43 }
44

```

9. Create prefabs of three kinds of turrets and import resources.
10. Create UI for turret selection in Canvas.
11. Create the data class of the turret, save the data related to the turret, and create the script TurretData:

```

1 [System.Serializable]
2 public class TurretData
3 {
4     public GameObject turretPrefab;
5     public int cost;
6     public GameObject turretUpgradedPrefab;
7     public int costUpgraded;
8     public TurretType type;
9 }
10
11 public enum TurretType
12 {
13     LaserTurret,
14     MissileTurret,
15     StandardTurret,
16 }

```

12. Listen to the event of turret selection, and create another BuildManager script in GameManager.
(When testing, I set selectedTurretData to public, so that I can see whether there is data when I select the UI fort in the Inspector panel)
13. Detect which Cube the mouse clicks on:

```

1 public class BuildManager : MonoBehaviour

```

```

2 {
3     public TurretData laserTurretData;
4     public TurretData standardTurretData;
5     private TurretData selectedTurretedData;
6     void Update()
7     {
8         if (Input.GetMouseButtonDown(0))
9         {
10             if (EventSystem.current.IsPointerOverGameObject() == false)
11             {
12
13                 Ray ray = Camera.main.ScreenPointToRay(Input.mousePosition);
14                 RaycastHit hit;
15                 bool isCollider = Physics.Raycast(ray,out hit, 1000, LayerMask.GetMask("MapCube"));
16                 if (isCollider)
17                 {
18                     //TODO creat turret
19                 }
20             }
21         }
22     }
23
24     public void OnLaserSelected(bool isOn)
25     {
26         if (isOn)
27         {
28             selectedTurretedData = laserTurretData;
29         }
30     }
31     public void OnMissileSelected(bool isOn)
32     {
33         if (isOn)
34         {
35             selectedTurretedData = missileTurretData;
36         }
37     }
38     public void OnStandardSelected(bool isOn)
39     {
40         if (isOn)
41         {
42             selectedTurretedData = standardTurretData;
43         }
44     }
45
46 }

```

14. Check if it is enough to create a turret.

```

1 public class MapCube : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     [HideInInspector]
4     public GameObject turretGo;
5     public void BuildTurret(TurretData turretData)
6     {
7         //TODO
8     }
9 }
```

15. money management

```

1 public class BuildManager : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public TurretData laserTurretData;
4     public TurretData missileTurretData;
5     public TurretData standardTurretData;
6     private TurretData selectedTurretedData;
7     private int money = 1000;
8     public Text moneyText;
9     public Animator moneyAnimator;
10
11    void ChangeMoney(int change=0)
12    {
13        money += change;
14        moneyText.text = "$ " + money;
15    }
16
17    void Update()
18    {
19        if (Input.GetMouseButtonUp(0))
20        {
21            if (EventSystem.current.IsPointerOverGameObject() == false)
22            {
23                Ray ray = Camera.main.ScreenPointToRay(Input.mousePosition);
24                RaycastHit hit;
25                bool isCollider = Physics.Raycast(ray,out hit, 1000, LayerMask.GetMask("MapCube"));
26                if (isCollider)
27                {
28                    MapCube mapCube = hit.collider.GetComponent<MapCube>();
29                    if(mapCube.turretGo == null && selectedTurretedData != null)
30                    {
31                        if (money > selectedTurretedData.cost)
32                        {
33                            money -= selectedTurretData.cost;
34                            mapCube.BuildTurret(selectedTurretedData);
```

```

35             }
36         else//notice money is not enough
37         {
38             moneyAnimator.SetTrigger("Flicker");
39         }
40     }
41     else
42     {
43         //TODO manage upgrade
44     }
45 }
46 }
47 }
48 }
49 public void OnLaserSelected(bool isOn)
50 {
51     if (isOn)
52     {
53         selectedTurretedData = laserTurretData;
54     }
55 }
56 public void OnMissileSelected(bool isOn)
57 {
58     if (isOn)
59     {
60         selectedTurretedData = missileTurretData;
61     }
62 }
63 public void OnStandardSelected(bool isOn)
64 {
65     if (isOn)
66     {
67         selectedTurretedData = standardTurretData;
68     }
69 }
70 }

```

16. Display the prompt effect of no money.

17. create effects:

```

1 public class MapCube : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     [HideInInspector]
4     public GameObject turretGo;
5     public GameObject buildEffect;
6
7     public void BuildTurret(TurretData turretData)
8     {
9         turretGo = GameObject.Instantiate(turretData.turretPrefab, transfo
rm.position, Quaternion.identity);

```

```

10         GameObject effect = GameObject.Instantiate(buildEffect, transform.
position, Quaternion.identity);
11         Destroy(effect, 1);
12     }
13 }
```

18. Added trigger to detect enemies near turrets. (In order to save performance, I select Project Settings —Physics in Edit, and I can set the trigger between the lower layers. Turret only collides with Enemy.)

19. Control the turret to fire bullets, and add attack interval time.

20. control bullet flight.

```

1 public class Bullet : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public int damage = 50;
4     public float speed = 40;
5     private Transform target;
6     public GameObject explosionEffectPrefab;
7
8     public void SetTarget(Transform _target)
9     {
10         this.target = _target;
11     }
12     private void Update()
13     {
14         if(target == null)
15         {
16             Die();
17             return;
18         }
19         transform.LookAt(target.position);
20         transform.Translate(Vector3.forward * speed * Time.deltaTime);
21     }
22     private void OnTriggerEnter(Collider other)
23     {
24         if(other.tag == "Enemy")
25         {
26             other.GetComponent<Enemy>().TakeDamage(damage);
27             Die();
28         }
29     }
30     void Die()
31     {
32         GameObject effect = GameObject.Instantiate(explosionEffectPrefab, tr
33         Destroy(effect, 1);
34         Destroy(this.gameObject);
35     }
36 }
```

21. Control the collision between the bullet and the enemy, so that the bullet explodes when it hits the enemy. (All code part of Enemy Script:)

```
1 public class Enemy : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public float speed = 10; // Enemy movement speed
4     public float hp = 150; // Enemy health points
5     private float totalHp; // Total health points of the enemy
6     private Transform[] positions; // Waypoint positions for enemy movement
7
8     private int index = 0; // Current waypoint position index
9     public GameObject explosionEffect; // Explosion effect prefab
10    private Slider hpSlider; // Slider for displaying enemy health
11
12    void Start()
13    {
14        positions = Waypoints.positions; // Get the waypoint positions from the Waypoints class
15        totalHp = hp; // Set the total health points to the initial health points
16        hpSlider = GetComponentInChildren<Slider>(); // Get the slider component for health display
17    }
18
19    void Update()
20    {
21        Move(); // Move the enemy
22    }
23
24    void Move()
25    {
26        // Move towards the current waypoint position
27        transform.Translate((positions[index].position - transform.position).normalized * Time.deltaTime * speed);
28
29        // Check if the enemy has reached the current waypoint
30        if (Vector3.Distance(positions[index].position, transform.position) < 0.2f)
31        {
32            index++; // Move to the next waypoint position
33        }
34
35        // Check if the enemy has reached the end of the waypoints
36        if (index > positions.Length - 1)
37        {
38            ReachDestination(); // Enemy has reached the destination, trigger game over
39        }
    }
```

```

40
41     // Called when the enemy reaches the destination
42     void ReachDestination()
43     {
44         GameManager.Instance.Faild();
45         GameObject.Destroy(this.gameObject); // Destroy the enemy game object
46     }
47
48     private void OnDestroy()
49     {
50         EnemySpawner.CountEnemyAlive--; // Decrement the count of alive enemies in the EnemySpawner
51     }
52
53     // Called to apply damage to the enemy
54     public void TakeDamage(float damage)
55     {
56         if (hp <= 0) return; // If the enemy is already dead, return
57
58         hp -= damage; // Decrease the enemy's health by the damage amount
59         hpSlider.value = (float)hp / totalHp; // Update the health slider value
60
61         if (hp <= 0)
62         {
63             Die(); // Enemy has no health remaining, trigger death
64         }
65     }
66
67     // Called when the enemy dies
68     void Die()
69     {
70         // Instantiate the explosion effect at the enemy's position and rotation
71         GameObject effect = GameObject.Instantiate(explosionEffect, transform.position, transform.rotation);
72
73         // Destroy the explosion effect after 1.5 seconds
74         Destroy(effect, 1.5f);
75
76         // Destroy the enemy game object
77         Destroy(this.gameObject);
78     }
79 }
```

22. Add explosion effects, modify the collision detection method, and create a Particle System named ExplosionEffect effects.

23. When repairing the destruction of the enemy, the bullet will also be destroyed. In the Update method of the Bullet script, it is judged whether to destroy itself.
24. Fixed removing turret references to enemies when the enemy is destroyed.
25. Control the enemy's destruction explosion.
26. Complete the destruction explosion effect of other enemies.
27. Control the turret to point at the enemy to attack.
28. Turns red when the map cube is selected.(All code part of MapCube Script:)

```

1  public class MapCube : MonoBehaviour
2  {
3      [HideInInspector]
4      public GameObject turretGo; // Reference to the instantiated turret game object
5      [HideInInspector]
6      public TurretData turretData; // Data for the current turret
7      [HideInInspector]
8      public bool isUpgraded = false; // Flag indicating if the turret is upgraded
9      public GameObject buildEffect; // Build effect prefab
10     private Renderer renderer; // Renderer component of the map cube
11
12     private void Start()
13     {
14         renderer = GetComponent<Renderer>(); // Get the Renderer component
15     }
16
17     public void BuildTurret(TurretData turretData)
18     {
19         this.turretData = turretData; // Set the turret data
20         isUpgraded = false; // Reset the upgrade flag
21         turretGo = GameObject.Instantiate(turretData.turretPrefab, transform.position, Quaternion.identity); // Instantiate the turret prefab
22         GameObject effect = GameObject.Instantiate(buildEffect, transform.position, Quaternion.identity); // Instantiate the build effect
23         Destroy(effect, 1); // Destroy the build effect after 1 second
24     }
25
26     public void UpgradeTurret()
27     {
28         if (isUpgraded == true) return; // If the turret is already upgraded, return
29         Destroy(turretGo); // Destroy the current turret
30         turretGo = GameObject.Instantiate(turretData.turretUpgradedPrefab, transform.position, Quaternion.identity); // Instantiate the upgraded turret prefab
31         isUpgraded = true; // Set the upgrade flag
32         GameObject effect = GameObject.Instantiate(buildEffect, transform.position, Quaternion.identity); // Instantiate the build effect
33         Destroy(effect, 1); // Destroy the build effect after 1 second

```

```

34 }
35
36     public void DestroyTurret()
37 {
38         Destroy(turretGo); // Destroy the current turret
39         isUpgraded = false; // Reset the upgrade flag
40         turretGo = null; // Reset the turret reference
41         turretData = null; // Reset the turret data
42         GameObject effect = GameObject.Instantiate(buildEffect, transform.
position, Quaternion.identity); // Instantiate the build effect
43         Destroy(effect, 1); // Destroy the build effect after 1 second
44     }
45
46     private void OnMouseEnter()
47 {
48         if (turretGo == null && EventSystem.current.IsPointerOverGameObjec
t() == false) // Check if the map cube is empty and the mouse is not over
any UI element
49     {
50         renderer.material.color = Color.green; // Change the color of
the map cube to green
51     }
52 }
53
54     private void OnMouseExit()
55 {
56         renderer.material.color = Color.white; // Change the color of the
map cube back to white
57     }
58 }
59

```

29. Fixed the trigger effect of the turret.
30. Added health bar display for enemies.
31. Create UI buttons for turret upgrades.
32. Add animation to the button and optimize the button display.
33. Controls the creation of methods to show and hide the escalation panel.(All coding part of BuildManager Script:)

```

1 public class BuildManager : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public TurretData laserTurretData; // Data for laser turret
4     public TurretData missileTurretData; // Data for missile turret
5     public TurretData standardTurretData; // Data for standard turret
6     private TurretData selectedTurretData; // Currently selected turret da
ta
7     public Text moneyText; // Text object for displaying money amount
8     public Animator moneyAnimator; // Animator for money animation
9     private int money = 1000; // Amount of money
10    public GameObject upgradeCanvas; // Canvas for turret upgrade UI

```

```

11     public Button buttonUpgrade; // Button for upgrading turret
12     private MapCube selectedMapCube; // Selected map cube (turret position)
13
14     private Animator upgradeCanvasAnimator; // Animator for upgrade canvas
15     animation
16
17     void ChangeMoney(int change = 0)
18     {
19         money += change;
20         moneyText.text = "$ " + money;
21     }
22
23     private void Start()
24     {
25         upgradeCanvasAnimator = upgradeCanvas.GetComponent<Animator>();
26     }
27
28     void Update()
29     {
30         if (Input.GetMouseButtonDown(0))
31         {
32             if (EventSystem.current.IsPointerOverGameObject() == false) // Check if the mouse is not over any UI element
33             {
34                 Ray ray = Camera.main.ScreenPointToRay(Input.mousePosition);
35                 RaycastHit hit;
36                 bool isCollider = Physics.Raycast(ray, out hit, 1000, LayerMask.GetMask("MapCube")); // Check if the raycast hit a map cube
37                 if (isCollider)
38                 {
39                     MapCube mapCube = hit.collider.GetComponent<MapCube>(); // Get the MapCube component of the hit cube
40                     if (mapCube.turretGo == null && selectedTurredData != null) // If the map cube is empty and there is a selected turret data
41                     {
42                         if (money > selectedTurredData.cost) // Check if there is enough money to build the selected turret
43                         {
44                             ChangeMoney(-selectedTurredData.cost); // Subtract the cost of the turret from the money
45                             mapCube.BuildTurret(selectedTurredData); // Build the selected turret on the map cube
46                         }
47                         else // If there is not enough money to build the turret
48                         {
49                             moneyAnimator.SetTrigger("Flicker"); // Trigger the money animation to indicate insufficient funds
50                         }
51                     }
52                 }
53             }
54         }
55     }

```

```

48             }
49         }
50         else if (mapCube.turretGo != null) // If the map cube
51             already has a turret
52             {
53                 if (mapCube.turretGo == selectedMapCube && upgrade
54                     Canvas.activeInHierarchy) // If the selected map cube is the same as the p
55                     previous one and the upgrade canvas is active
56                     {
57                         StartCoroutine("HideUpgradeUI"); // Hide the u
58                     }
59                 else // If the selected map cube is different or t
60                     he upgrade canvas is not active
61                     {
62                         ShowUpgradeUI(mapCube.transform.position, mapC
63                         ube.isUpgraded); // Show the upgrade UI at the position of the map cube
64                     }
65                 selectedMapCube = mapCube; // Set the selected map
66                 cube to the current cube
67             }
68         }
69     }
70 }
71
72 public void OnLaserSelected(bool isOn)
73 {
74     if (isOn)
75     {
76         selectedTurredData = laserTurretData; // Set the selected turr
77         et data to the laser turret data
78     }
79 }
80
81 public void OnMissileSelected(bool isOn)
82 {
83     if (isOn)
84     {
85         selectedTurredData = missileTurretData; // Set the selected tu
86         rret data to the missile turret data
87     }
88 }
89
90 public void OnStandardSelected(bool isOn)
91 {
92     if (isOn)
93 }
```

34. Controlling the Showing and Hiding of the Upgrade Panel.
35. Finishing the animation of upgrade panel.
36. Finishing the click events of the upgrade button and demolition button. Add UpgradeTurret upgrade method in MapCube.
37. Control upgrade and dismantling treatment of turrets.
38. Modify construction special effects (add special effects when upgrading and demolishing)
39. Upgrade prefabs that create standard turrets.
40. Developed and completed the prefab of the atomic bomb turret.
41. Added laser turrets.
42. Use LineRenderer to display laser light.
43. Added laser damage and damage effects.
44. Added an upgraded version of the laser tower prefab.
45. Added gold cost when leveling up. In the OnUpgradeButtonDown method in the BuildManager script, reduce the money. If it is not enough, use the flashing money effect directly.
46. Design the UI interface at the end of the game.
47. Controls the display of the failure interface.

Because EnemySpawner and GameManager are on the same object GameManager, the generation of enemies is controlled in GameManager.

(All code part of GameManager Script:)

```

1 public class GameManager : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public GameObject endUI; // Ending UI page
4     public Text endMessage; // Text component for displaying the end message
5     public static GameManager Instance; // Singleton instance of the GameManager
6     private EnemySpawner enemySpawner; // Reference to the EnemySpawner component
7
8     private void Awake()
9     {
10         Instance = this; // Set the instance to this GameManager
11         enemySpawner = GetComponent<EnemySpawner>(); // Get the EnemySpawner component
12     }
13
14     public void Win()
15     {
16         endUI.SetActive(true); // Activate the end UI
17         endMessage.text = "Victory"; // Set the end message text to "Victory"
18     }
19
20     public void Faild()
21     {
22         enemySpawner.Stop(); // Stop creating enemies
23         endUI.SetActive(true); // Activate the end UI

```

```

24     endMessage.text = "Failed"; // Set the end message text to "Failed"
25 }
26
27 public void OnButtonRetry()
28 {
29     endUI.SetActive(false); // Deactivate the end UI
30     SceneManager.LoadScene(SceneManager.GetActiveScene().buildIndex);
31     // Reload the current scene
32 }
33
34 public void OnButtonMenu()
35 {
36     SceneManager.LoadScene("MainMenu"); // Load the "MainMenu" scene
37 }
38

```

48. Added win page and replay, menu button clicks.
 49. Develop menu scene. Adjust camera position.
 50. Controls click event handling for the start and exit buttons.

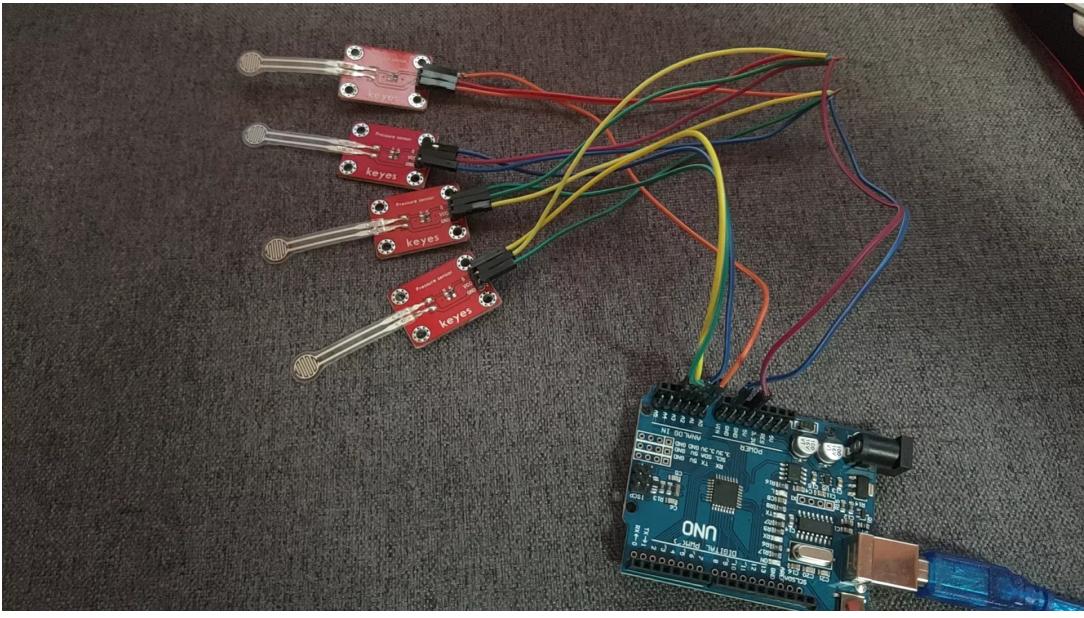
(All coding part of GameMenu:)

```

1 public class GameMenu : MonoBehaviour
2 {
3     public void OnStartGame()
4     {
5         SceneManager.LoadScene("Tower Defence");
6     }
7     public void OnExitGame()
8     {
9 #if UNITY_EDITOR
10         UnityEditor.EditorApplication.isPlaying = false;
11 #else
12         Application.Quit();
13 #endif
14     }
15 }

```

51. Connected with Arduino board



```
1 void setup() {
2     // put your setup code here, to run once:
3     Serial.begin(9600);
4     pinMode(A0, INPUT);
5     pinMode(A1, INPUT);
6     pinMode(A2, INPUT);
7     pinMode(A3, INPUT);
8 }
9
10 void loop() {
11     // put your main code here, to run repeatedly:
12     Serial.print(analogRead(A0));
13     Serial.print(",");
14     Serial.print(analogRead(A1));
15     Serial.print(",");
16     Serial.print(analogRead(A2));
17     Serial.print(",");
18     Serial.println(analogRead(A3));
19 }
```

Conclusion

In this project, I learned a lot about Unity and learned how to combine Arduino and Unity. For example, learn to use the Unity engine for game development, including basic operations such as scene creation, object management, and collision detection, AI and path planning,etc. In the future, I hope that I can use an Arduino board with a pressure sensor or other sensors to control the construction and upgrade of the turret.