Tower Defence Game

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Basics

- Players play as government contractors tasked with saving the Earth
- Same starting contract amount
- After the first wave, the defense budget is split according to exactly how much work each company did
- In subsequent rounds, the defense budget is spent relative to how much each contractor contributed relative to their budget. (if all contractors do poorly relative to their contracts, they can all secure more money later)
- The player who had the worst performance will lose money due to damages if any enemies get through to the Earth.
- Game ends once the Earth is destroyed or all waves are cleared (maybe, waves may be infinite)
- Winner is the player with the biggest overall profit.

Gameplay

- Enemies have health and shields, some weapons work better on health and some on shields
- We do the math on how much it "costs" to destroy a point of shield vs a point of health and adjust performance scores accordingly

- First round enemies have only health and no shield
- Later enemies will tend to continue on a health and shield percent trend, however sometimes a round will counter the trend.
- Turrets are placed in any circular orbit. Orbits below 400km will decay after three rounds no matter what, all other orbits will never decay.
- Cost to put a turret into orbit increase as the orbit height increases. This is rewarded due to the fact that late game turrets have large ranges much greater than say 400km. Putting a 2000km range turret 600km above the earth is inefficient as range is wasted. Additionally, some of the best high range turrets cannot shoot through the Earth, and they will therefore see more if they are higher. Thirdly, high orbit turrets can achieve higher performance (idk what I meant by this). Fourthly, some enemies will move slowly at a high orbit, but very quickly through lower orbits.
- Turrets orbit at appropriate speeds. This means that turrets may, through bad luck have a very poor performance in any given round.

Economy - based on obsevations

- At no point in the development of this game will I ever attempt to allow spending no money to be a legitimate strategy.
- This section will be filled as observations about the economy round to round are made.

Classes

GameController

Private Attributes

- player_list list of Corporation
- base_health
- round_number

- enemy_shield_percent apprx. percent of enemies health that is shield.
- enemy_shield_pierce_percent apprx. percent of enemies that fire shield piercing weapons
- enemy_types list of Enemy
- game_state what stage the game is on. Build, Combat, or Recap
- defence_budget

Public Attributes

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Methods/Functions

- calculate_budgets returns the a list of budgets for each of the corporations
- start_game
- start_round begins spawning of enemies and activates defences
- end_round sums up the round, awards contracts and adjusts global budget

Corporation

Private Attributes

- budget
- funds
- performance Score of enemies destroyed

Public Attributes

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Methods/Functions

- get_budget returns last round's budget
- set_budget(budget) sets the budget for next round
- get_performance(performance) returns last round's performance
- update will monitor for player input when placing defences
- place_defence(defence_type, position)

Defence

A generic defense. Only children of this class will ever be instantiated.

Private Attributes

- health
- shield
- altitude
- current_target an Enemy that this turret is currently targeting
- upgrades a dictionary with keys as upgrade types, and values as upgrade descriptions
- current_upgrades a dictionary with keys as upgrade types, and values as the current level of that upgrade.

Public Attributes

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Methods/Functions

- update set enemy to target, call attack, call move Not Implemented
- attack(enemy) attack designated enemy

- upgrade(upgrade_type) upgrade this defence by the specified type once, returns True if completed, or False if not possible.
- move simply orbit the Earth.

Enemy

A generic enemy. Only children of this class will ever be instantiated.

Private Attributes

- health
- shield
- current_target a defence that this turret is currently targeting

Public Attributes

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Methods/Functions

- update set defence to target, call attack, call move Not Implemented
- attack(enemy) attack designated defence
- move choose a path to follow down to the surface