libGOX Crossplatform Game Development Workshop





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Why libGDX?

- Crossplatform
- Community
- Open source
- Fast
- Well-documented
- Multiples levels of abstraction
- Active development
- Free!!

Yes, but... really libGDX?



Total apps in Google Play:

Total libGDX apps in Google Play: 21.851

Top categories in Google Play:

- 1. Education
- 2. Entertainment
- 3. Lifestyle



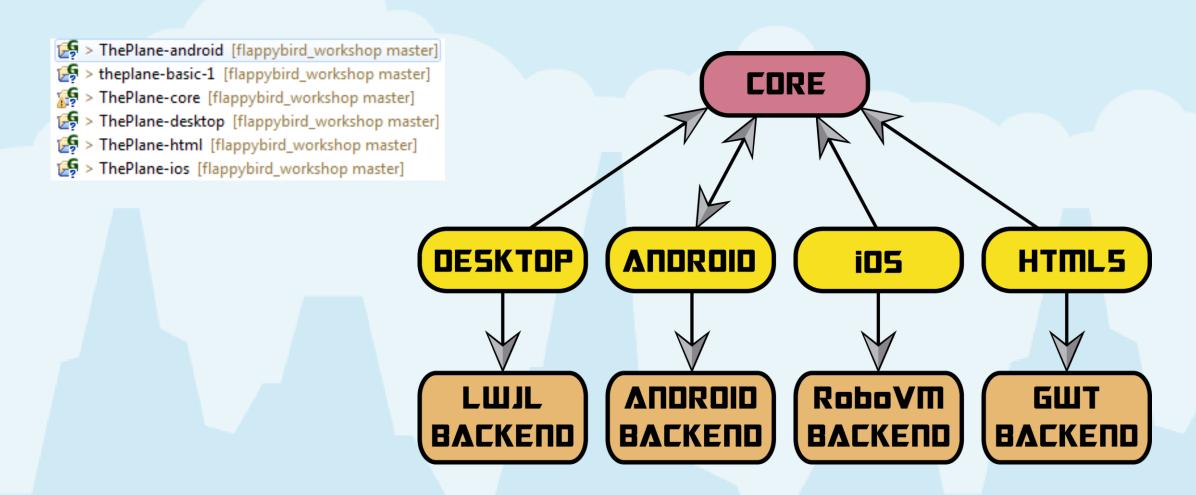


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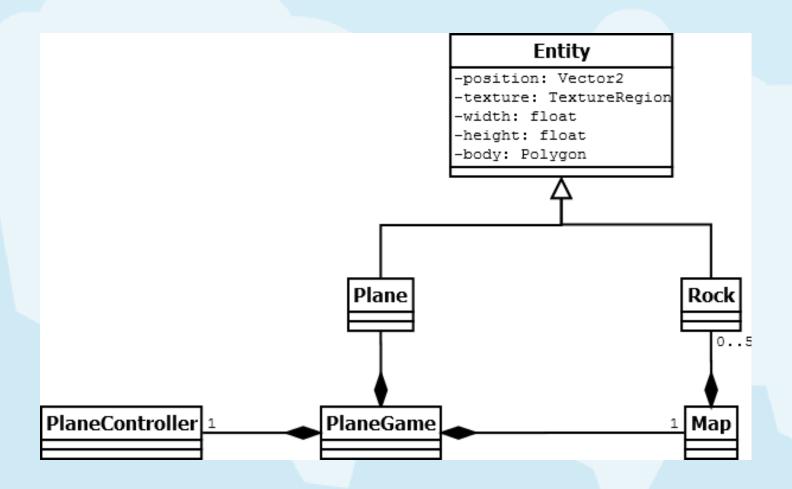
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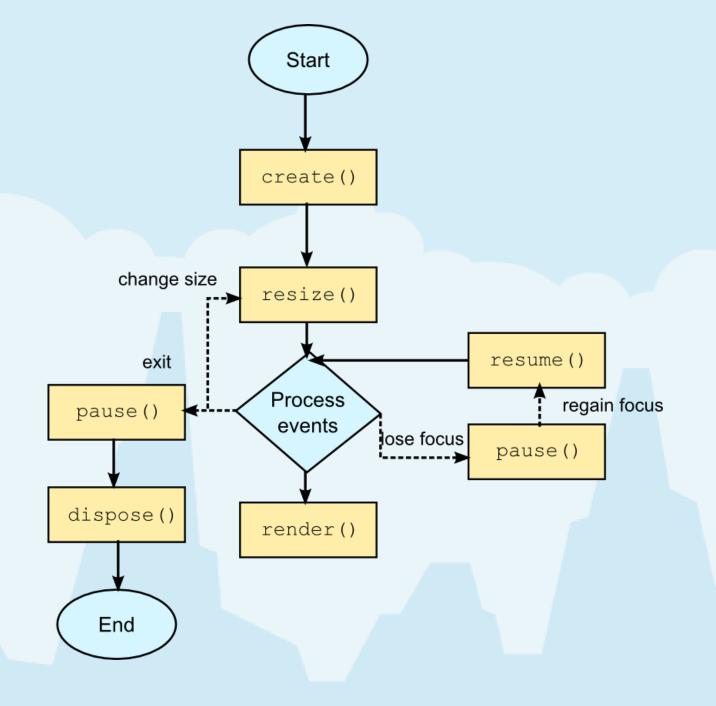
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Arquitecture



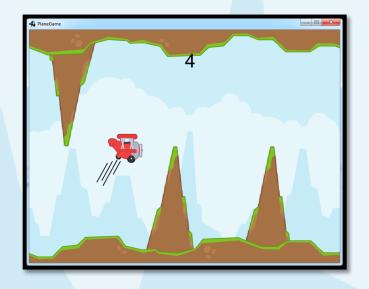
libGDX application lifecycle



Game States

```
static enum GameState {
     Start, Running, GameOver
};
```







Start

Running

GameOver

Viewports







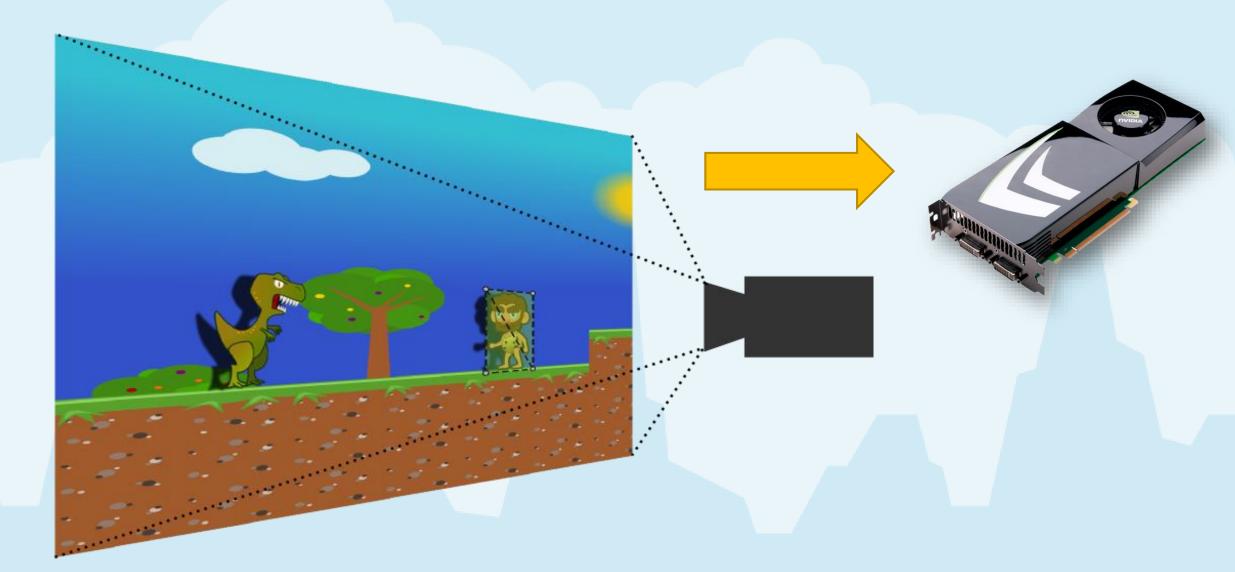


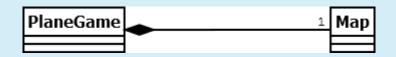


Ok, but... which one today?

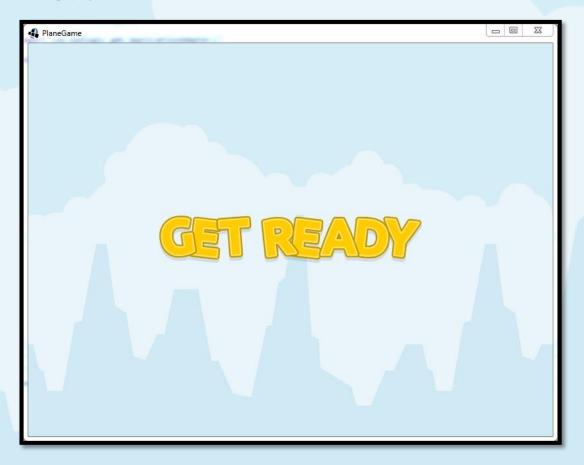
```
private Viewport viewport;
private Viewport uiViewport;
private OrthographicCamera camera;
private OrthographicCamera uiCamera;
camera = new OrthographicCamera();
uiCamera = new OrthographicCamera();
viewport = new FitViewport(SCENE WIDTH, SCENE HEIGHT, camera);
uiViewport = new FitViewport(Gdx.qraphics.getWidth(), Gdx.qraphics.getHeight(), uiCamera);
// Center camera
viewport.update(SCENE WIDTH, SCENE HEIGHT, true);
uiViewport.update(Gdx.graphics.getWidth(), Gdx.graphics.getHeight(), true);
@Override
public void resize(int width, int height) {
    viewport.update(width, height);
    uiViewport.update(width, height);
```

SpriteBatch

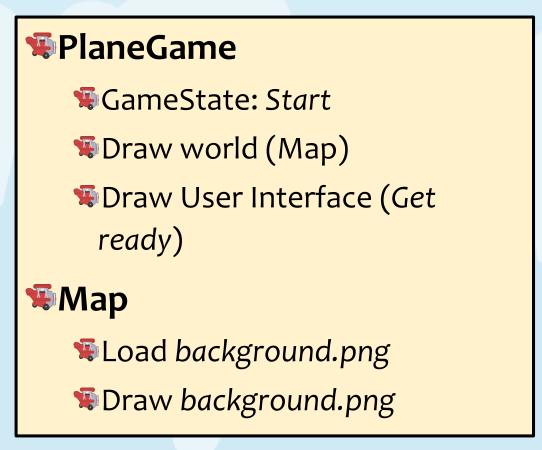




Result:



To do:



Clues:

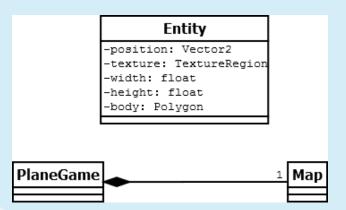
- Load ready.png as a Texture within create()
- Instantiate Map within create()
- Switch to GameState.Running when user touches the screen (Gdx.input.justTouched() within updateStart())
- Load background.png as a Texture within create() of Map
- Implement Map draw method using batch.draw(Texture texture, float x, float y, float width, float height). Make use of it within drawWorld() in PlaneGame
- Implement drawUI() which is responsible for drawing *ready* in the middle of the screen while the game is in *GameState.Start* state. Make use of batch.draw(Texture texture, float x, float y). You will need getWorldWidth() and getWorldHeight() from *Viewport* class, besides of getWidth() and getHeight() from *Texture* class.
- Free resources in dispose()

PlaneGame

- GameState: Start
- Draw world (Map)
- Draw User Interface (Get ready)

Map

- Load background.png
- Draw background.png



To do:

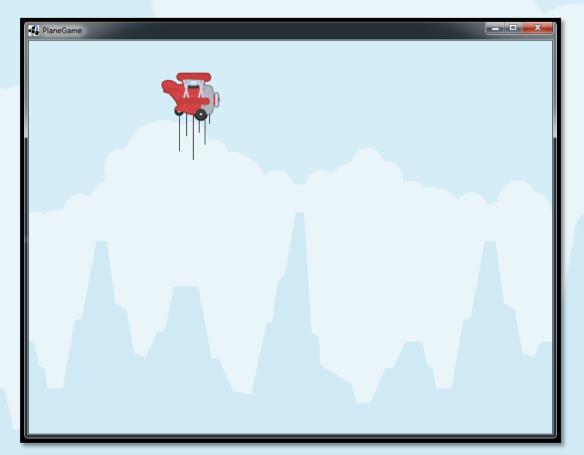


Clues:

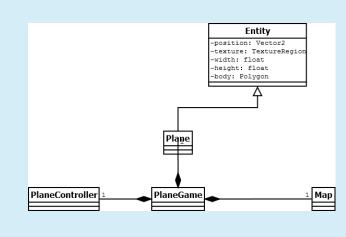
- The origin of a body must be its center: body.setOrigin(x,y)
- setPosition, setRotation and translate must apply to the body too
- Use draw(TextureRegion region, float x, float y, float width, float height) in order to implement entitiy.draw(SpriteBatch batch)
- Use boolean Intersector.overlapConvexPolygons(Polygon p1, Polygon p2) in order to check if two bodies collide/overlap

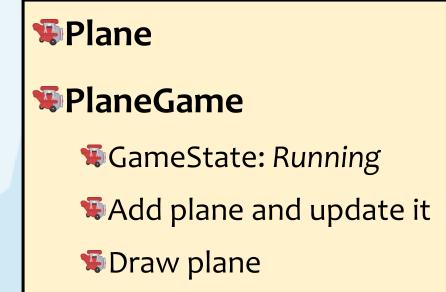
Original	Rotated 180`
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Origin	

Result:

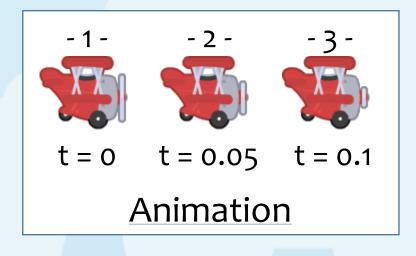




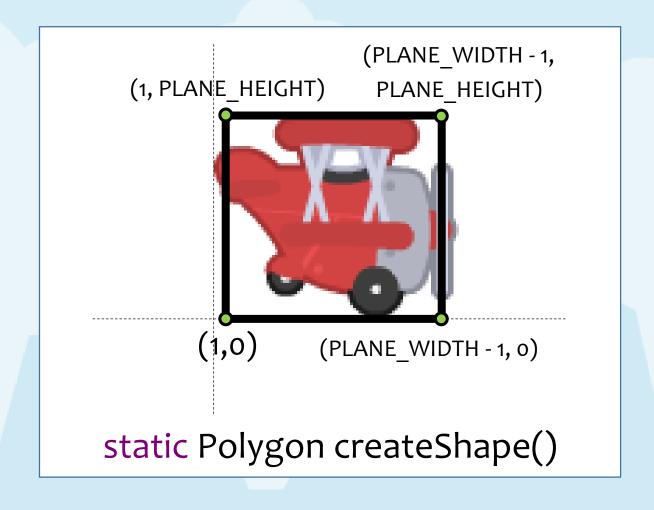




Step 3 - introduction







Step 3 - part 1

Clues:

- Within the constructor of Plane, load *plane1.png* into *frame1* which is an instance of *Texture* class. Repeat it with frame2 y frame3.
- Within the same constructor, initialize animation through
 Animation(float frameDuration, TextureRegion... keyFrames),
 where frameDuration is 0.05 seconds and keyframes are frame1, frame2 y frame3.
 Make the animation loops: animation.setPlayMode(PlayMode.LOOP);
- Within reset(), set the starting velocity for the Plane to (0,0) and a desired starting position
- Within update(float delta), increase *stateTime* with *delta* time. Add gravity force to velocity vector through add method and scale it to the aforementioned delta time with scl. Then move the Plane instance with translate according to its resulting velocity.
- Within draw(), set the region to draw according to the current stateTime, making use of setRegion
 (previously defined in the Entity class) and animation.getKeyFrame. Don't forget to call draw from Entity ->
 super.draw(batch)
- Free resources with dispose()



PlaneGame

- **™**GameState: Running
- Add plane and update it
- Draw plane

Step 3 - part 2

Clues:

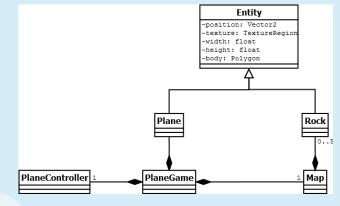
 touchdown method from PlaneController will be executed whenever the user touches the screen, therefore this is the place to update the plane's velocity, keeping the same X velocity but setting its Y velocity to PLANE JUMP IMPULSE

- **Plane**
- **PlaneGame**
 - **☞**GameState: Running
 - Add plane and update it
 - Draw plane

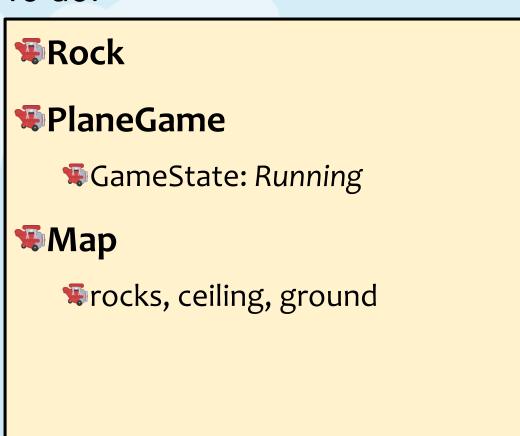
- Instantiate Plane and PlaneController within create() from PlaneGame
- Implement updateCamera() so as the camera stays in the same position as the plane, but adding 20 to its X value. Then call camera.update()
- Within updateStart(), set PlaneController as the input processor and set a starting speed for plane
- Within updateRunning(), update plane with the elapse delta time
- Draw plane within drawWorld()
- Free resources in dispose()

Result:

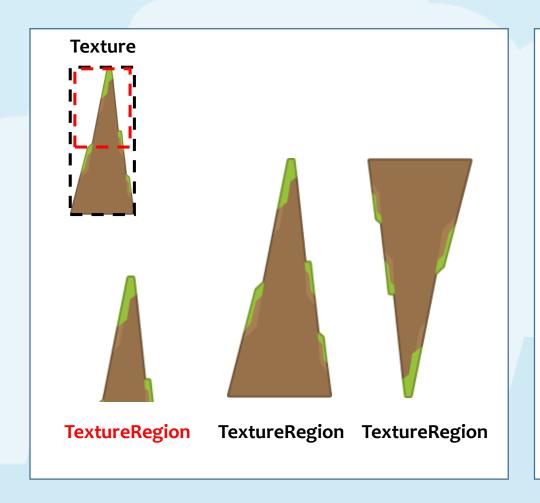


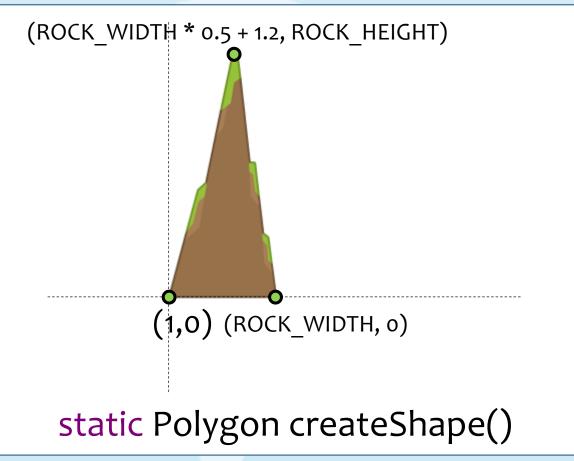


To do:



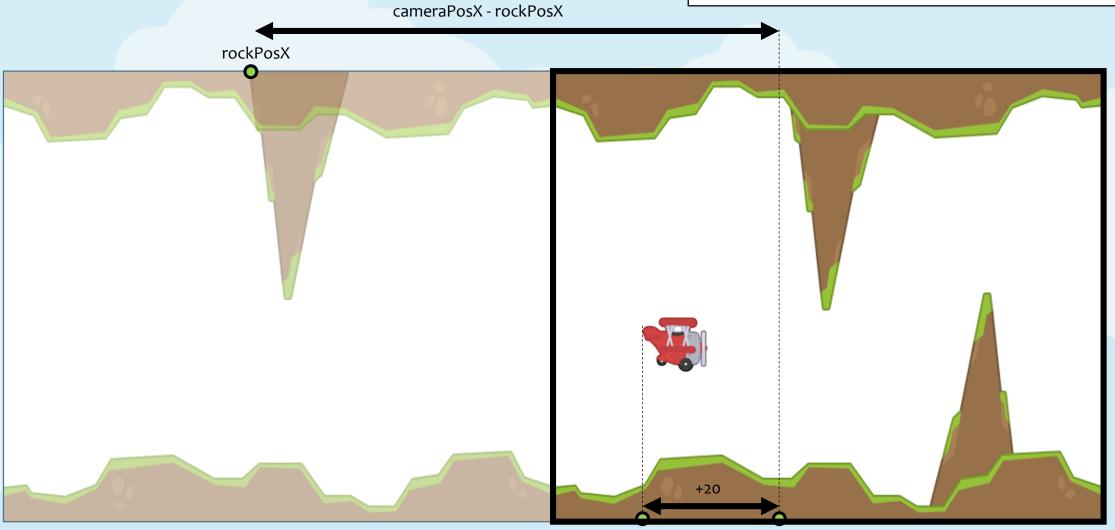
Paso 4 - introduction





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if (cameraPosX - rockPosX > SCENE_WIDTH*0.5 + ROCK_WIDTH) {
 // If not visible, translate the rock
}



Step 4 - part 1

Clues:

- Implement Rock, making use of the received position (x,y) in its constructor. Moreover, implement createShape() according to the previous slide.



PlaneGame

GameState: Running

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rocks, ceiling, ground

- Extend Mapa with the Texture and TextureRegion from the Rock (rock.png) and the ground(ground.png). Take into account that we must have a flipped region for each of them. We can use: flip(true, true)
- Implement reset(), clearing the rocks Array with clear() and creating 5 new instances. To this end, a random boolean will be generated through MathUtils.randomBoolean(). The rock's X position will be 60 + i * 25, where i is the rock's number. The Y position will depend on the former boolean, if true, 30, otherwise o. The boolean will also be useful to determine if we are rotating the body 180° and using the flipped region. Do not forget to add the rocks to the Array.

Step 4 - part 2

Clues:

- Implement update() from Map so as the hidden rocks increase their X position in 5 * 25. Take into account that the boolean stuff from the previous paragraph applies to to this one.

 Moreover, don't forget to reset the rotation to 0 before applying a new one.
- Add an extra parameter offsetX to draw from Map class. Also draw the rocks through its base method draw(SpriteBatch batch). Then draw twice the ground and the ceiling. The first one in the X position that offsetX determines. The second one in offsetX + GROUND_WIDTH
- Within updateRunning() from PlaneGame, increase the flown distance in the acumulator groundOffsetX with SCENE_WIDTH everytime that the plane flies SCENE_WIDTH 1.5 times. Then, call update from Map with X position of the camera.
- Free resources in dispose()



PlaneGame

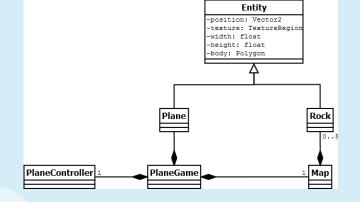
GameState: Running

Map

rocks, ceiling, ground

Result:





To do:

PlaneGame

- GameState: Running
- **Collisions**
- **Score**
- **™**GameState: GameOver
- Music y effects

Step 5 - part 1

Clues:

- Create a score variable with o value
- Instantiate music.mp3 as Music with Gdx.audio.newMusic(Gdx.files.internal("music.mp3")). Make it loop with setLooping(true) and call play().

- **PlaneGame**
 - GameState: Running
 - **Collisions**
 - **Score**
 - **™**GameState: GameOver
 - Music y effects
- Repeat the previous instructions with explode.wav. Take into account that instead of being of type Music, it's a Sound.
- Within update from Map, set counted to false for each Rock that you translate.
- Implement checkCollisions() so as it checks whether every and each of the rocks collide with the plane. If so, setInputProcessor(null), set the plane's velocity to o and switch to GameState.GameOver (play explode too). Finally, you can take advantage of the necessary loop to increase the score whenever the plane has left behind the position of the current Rock. Don't count twice the same Rock!. Check collisions with ceiling y ground, but instead of using collide, the top limit will be SCENE_HEIGHT GROUND_HEIGHT + 2 while the bottom limit will be GROUND_HEIGHT -2.
- Free resources in dispose()

Step 5 - part 2

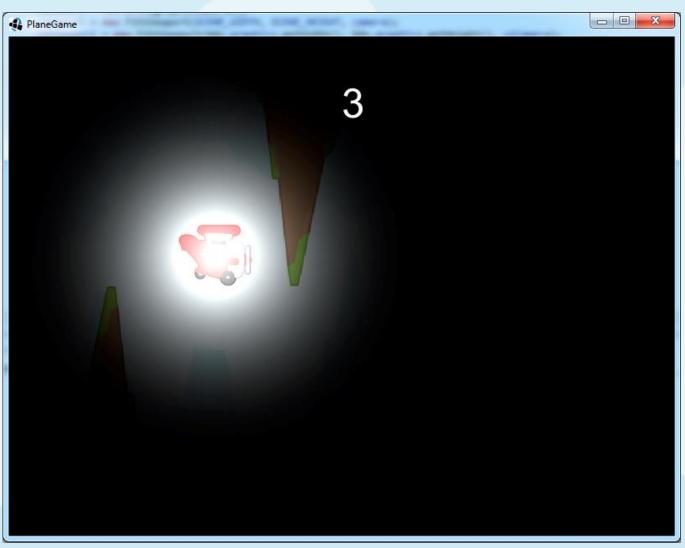
Clues:

- Instantiate arial.fnt as aBitmapFont called font using Gdx.files.internal. Set its Color to Color.BLACK with setColor
- Load gameover.png as a Texture within create()
- Draw gameover while the game is under GameState.GameOver just as done before with ready.
- Draw the score in the position (SCENE_WIDTH * 0.5, SCENE_HEIGHT 60).
- Free resources in dispose()

PlaneGame

- GameState: Running
- **Collisions**
- **Score**
- **™**GameState: GameOver
- Music y effects

Improving the game



- **Lights**
- Increasing velocity
- **Explosions**
- Engine smoke
- More obstacles
- **Coins**

Mastering libGDX?

