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# App Dev League

Day 3: Pygame Basics



# Agenda

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1. Intro to Pygame and Pygame Basics
2. TicTacToe



# Intro to Pygame



# What is Pygame?

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- Pygame is a python library that makes it easy to create games
- We will be using pygame to create the rest of games during this course



# Advantages of Pygame

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- Much more graphics oriented
  - Displays, windows
- Compatible with the many other python modules
  - Random, time etc.
- Easy to use within Object Oriented Programming



# Basic Pygame Constructs

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- Display
  - Windows, Screens
  - Updating
- Events
  - Detecting key, mouse presses etc.
- Timing
  - Delays for animations etc.



# Basic Pygame Structure

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- Initialize Pygame canvas
- While True / game loop with exit condition
- `display.update()`  $\Rightarrow$  to update the display for animations etc.
- Some kind of delay to help with graphics updating
  - Most of these use the time module





# Example Starter Pygame Code

Initializing  
pygame

Game loop

```
3  # Import and initialize the pygame library
4  import pygame
5  pygame.init()
6
7  # Set up the drawing window (500x500)
8  screen = pygame.display.set_mode([500, 500])
9
10 # Run until the user asks to quit
11 running = True
12 while running:
13
14     # Did the user click the window close button?
15     for event in pygame.event.get():
16         if event.type == pygame.QUIT:
17             running = False
18
19     # Fill the background with white
20     screen.fill((255, 255, 255))
21
22     # Flip the display
23     pygame.display.update()
24
25 # Done! Time to quit.
26 pygame.quit()
```

Setting up  
the window



# Setting up the Screen

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- “import pygame” is crucial to accessing the PyGame libraries
- Tell the program to start using PyGame with “pygame.init()” and set a caption with “pygame.display.set\_caption()”
- Set up the window with “pygame.display.set\_mode”
  - You feed this function a size comprised of the WIDTH and HEIGHT you want

```
import pygame
pygame.init()
pygame.display.set_caption("Name of Game")

WIDTH = 400
HEIGHT = 400
size = (WIDTH, HEIGHT)
screen = pygame.display.set_mode(size)
```



# What are sprites?

- A sprite is any image that is drawn to the 2D screen in a video game
- Sprites are useful because they represent the player character as well as everything present in an image
- Sprites must be drawn to the screen in **every frame**



In this image nearly everything is a Sprite. Mario, the pipes, and the blocks are all examples of images that are updated and repeatedly drawn to the screen



# Creating FPS with Clock

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- Start off code with “import time”
- Set your fps with a variable “fps = 30”
- Initialize the clock with “clock = pygame.time.Clock()”
- At the end of your game loop use “clock.tick(fps)”

```
import time
fps = 30
clock = pygame.time.Clock()

while(running):
    #Code for game loop
    pygame.display.update()
    clock.tick(fps)
```

This is what the general structure of your code should look like if you are implementing FPS



# Keyboard Presses

→ You can keep track of keyboard events with a for loop

◆ for event in pygame.event.get():

→ Quitting out of the game with the x button

◆ if event.type == pygame.QUIT:

→ Pressing a key down

◆ if event.type == pygame.KEYDOWN:

• if event.key == pygame.K\_LEFT:

→ <https://www.pygame.org/docs/ref/key.html>

```
while not done:
    for event in pygame.event.get():
        if event.type == pygame.QUIT:
            done = True
        if event.type == pygame.KEYDOWN:
            if event.key == pygame.K_LEFT:
                #insert code for moving left
            if event.key == pygame.K_RIGHT:
                #insert code for moving right
            if event.key == pygame.K_UP:
                #insert code for moving up
            if event.key == pygame.K_DOWN:
                #insert code for moving down
```

Pygame stores your keyboard and mouse actions as events every frame



# Mouse Presses

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- You can keep track of mouse presses using event listeners too
- if event.type == pygame.MOUSEBUTTONDOWN:
  - ◆ After this you can perform some click function

```
while not done:
    for event in pygame.event.get():
        if event.type == pygame.QUIT:
            done = True
        if event.type == pygame.MOUSEBUTTONDOWN:
            click()
```

This code handles mouse clicks, remember that you must create your own click function (we will get to that later)



# Boundaries and Collision Detection

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- When moving your sprites around it is important to make sure they don't go past the boundaries
- We can do this by adding a small check to our move functions to see if an action would bring a sprite off of the screen
- This same code works for collision detection!
  - ◆ Simply replace the **WIDTH** and **HEIGHT** variables with whatever the coordinates of the sprite we want to check for collision are

```
#say we have variables player.width, player.height, WIDTH, HEIGHT
#we will also need the position of the player as: player.x and player.y

#when we want to move left
if player.x < 0:
    player.x = 0

#when we want to move right
if player.x > WIDTH - player.width:
    player.x = WIDTH - player.width

#when we want to move up
if player.y < 0:
    player.y = 0

#when we want to move down
if player.y > HEIGHT - player.height:
    player.y = HEIGHT - player.height
```



# Score

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- Keep a variable called score that starts off equal to 0
- Every time an action occurs that increases score, update this variable
- Use this show\_score function to print the score to the screen on every frame

```
# displaying Score function
def show_score(choice, color, font, size):

    # creating font object score_font
    score_font = pygame.font.SysFont(font, size)

    # create the display surface object
    # score_surface
    score_surface = score_font.render('Score : ' + str(score), True, color)

    # create a rectangular object for the text
    # surface object
    score_rect = score_surface.get_rect()

    # displaying text
    game_window.blit(score_surface, score_rect)
```





# Tic Tac Toe

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# Project Showcase

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- We will be building Tic Tac Toe
- Open up [repl.it](https://repl.it) and follow along with me



# THANKS!

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