Use Case UC1: Play the Game

Scope: Arkanoid–style computer game application

Level: User goal
Primary Actor: Player
Stakeholders and Interests:

- Player: Wants simple interesting dynamic game that helps to release stress.
- Company: Wants this app as the bestseller product.

Preconditions: Game is installed on player's computer.

Success Guarantee: Game is finished. Player's score is saved into a best results file. Player feels rested and ready for further productive work.

Main Success Scenario (Basic Flow):

- 1. Player starts the game.
- 2. App shows the main screen with the options like "start a new game" and "see the best results".
- 3. Player chooses the "start a new game" option.
- 4. Application shows a game screen with a set of targets and a space ship.
- 5. Player manipulates the space ship by pressing the left, right, down and space bar keys, or with mouse.
- 6. Player presses the space bar key.
- 7. Star ship launches a bullet.
- 8. Bullet hits a target.
- 9. 1 point is being added to the target's hits counter.
- 10. Target and bullet disappear (target was hit by bullets as many times as it needed to destroy it).
- 11. 5 points are being added to the score.
- 12. Bonus box occasionally appears instead of destroyed target and slowly fall down.
- 13. Player controls the space ship's movement by pressing the left, right and down keys or using a mouse.
- 14. Space ship touches a bonus box.
- 15. Bonus box activates one of the different bonus effects, which affects the behavior either of the ship, targets or bullets.
- 16. If player destroys the last target then a new set of targets appears.

Player repeats steps 5 - 16 until he / she feels rested.

- 17. Player presses the "Q" button.
- 18. App stops the game.
- 19. App shows a window prompting the user to input his name.
- 20. Player inputs his / her name.
- 21. App saves the name and the score to the file.
- 22. Player vigorously proceeds with his / her work.

Extensions (Alternative Flows):

- 3a. Player chooses the "see the best results" option.
 - 1. App shows a table with the list of best results.
 - 2. Player clicks back button.
 - 3. App shows the main screen as per p. 2 of the Basic Flow.
- 8a. Bullet does not touch any target.
 - 1. Bullet goes out of the top of the screen.
 - 2. One point is being subtracted from player's score if it is more than 0.
- 10a. The target was not hit as many times as it needed to destroy it.
 - 1. Bullet disappears.
 - 2. Target proceeds its movement.
 - 3. No points are being added to the score.

- 15a. Bonus box activates "monster target" bonus effect.
 - 1. "Hits needed to destroy the target" parameter is being increased by 1 for each existing target if its value no more than 3.
- 15b. Bonus box activates "missile" bonus effect.
 - 1. Next 10 shots the space ship will launch missiles instead of regular bullets. Missile makes double damage to the target.
- 15c. Bonus box activates "multi bullet" bonus effect.
 - 1. Next shot will launch 6 additional bullets simultaneously with the regular bullet: by 3 bullets on the left and right sides.
- 15d. Bonus box activates "double speed" bonus effect.
 - 1. Space ship starts moving with double speed.
- 15e. Bonus box activates "half speed" bonus effect.
 - 1. Space ship starts moving with half speed.
- 2-15a. Player presses "P" button (pause mode).
 - 1. App stops all animations.
- 20a. Player does not input his / her name.
 - 1. App fills the default value (anonymous player) to the name field.
 - 2. App saves the default name and the score to the file.