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Space Despot

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Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the system

Purpose of Space Despot is to develop a game that will entertain the player by using our knowledge that we learned from our department. We are inspired by the classics Space Impact and Asteroids [1] [2]. Developing this system will help us to understand the notion of object oriented software, enhance our current skills on Java and help us to practice the work we will be doing after we graduate.

1.2 Design goals

- Game and its development will include the principles we learned so far from our department.
- Optimizing the system will be one of our most important goals.

Because, players doesn't want to play a game which freezes even though it doesn't require server connection during the game play. Game elements should enter or exit the screen without any visible errors or freezes in the game. Every action that takes place in the system mustn't affect game play experience of player. We must also decrease the input lag as much as possible.

- We will try to design the best user interface and graphics possible with the current Java libraries. User interface will be user friendly and good looking. We will try to design the images of objects through Adobe Photoshop to increase the user's game play experience.
- Space Despot will be expendable, in terms of its content, mechanics, interface and graphics. Using Object Oriented approach it is easier to enhance the system over time by doing reverse engineering and then adding new features or enhancing the existing ones.
- Since we are developing a game, we should also handle the game design, not in computer science context, but in context of Psychology. While designing the game, we will try to obey the key aspects of the game design as much as possible. We will try to implement the four essential characteristics of the game design and

Flow Theory, to provide a better game play experience [3] [4].

Trade Offs

- Performance vs. Memory: In order to increase the game play experience, user must not see any kinds of graphical or mechanical (system's) errors. In order to prevent those errors and increase performance, we won't be concerning on keeping the memory requirements low. We must check for collisions, calculate damages and display the game efficiently and error-free, to do this we will use memory a lot more.

- Functionality vs. Usability: We are thinking to develop a game has a lot of functionalities. For beginners usability will be relatively low because of the game's functionalities. Player will find it difficult at first to understand how to do use these functionalities. However, after playing for a while player will get used to the game and hence its functionalities.

2. Software Architecture

Our software is a single game with numerous object interactions. While we are designing the game, our duty will be to come up with a simple design that has the lowest coupling so that implementation will be easier.

2.1 Subsystem Decomposition

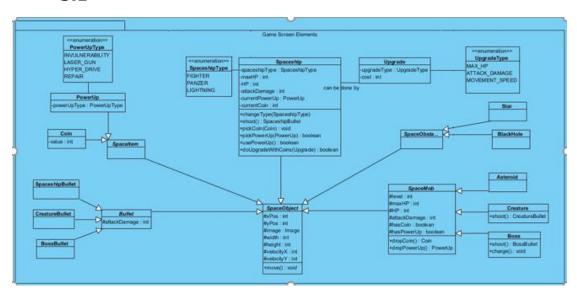
For Space Despot, we choose the three-tier architectural style which will organize our subsystems into three layers: GUI, Application Logic and Storage (Figure 1).

The GUI layer will have classes that are responsible for providing an interface between the user and the system.

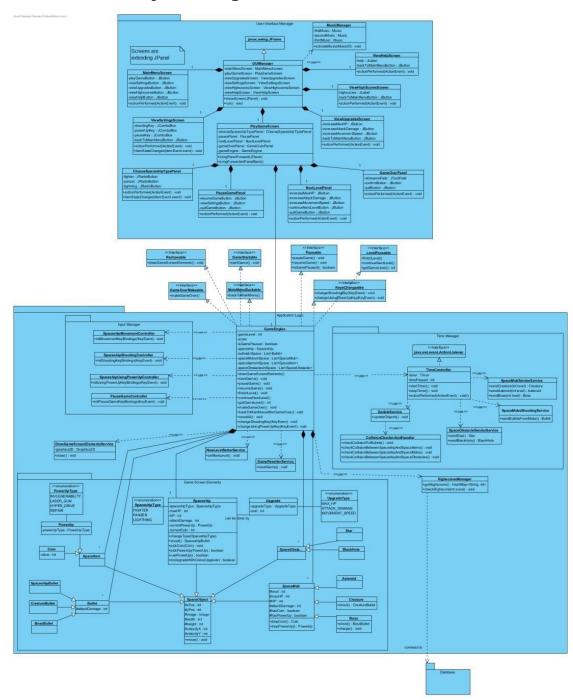
The Application Logic layer will includes all control and entity objects. The Storage layer will take care of the storage of information in the database.

3.Subsystem Services

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3.1 Detailed Object Design



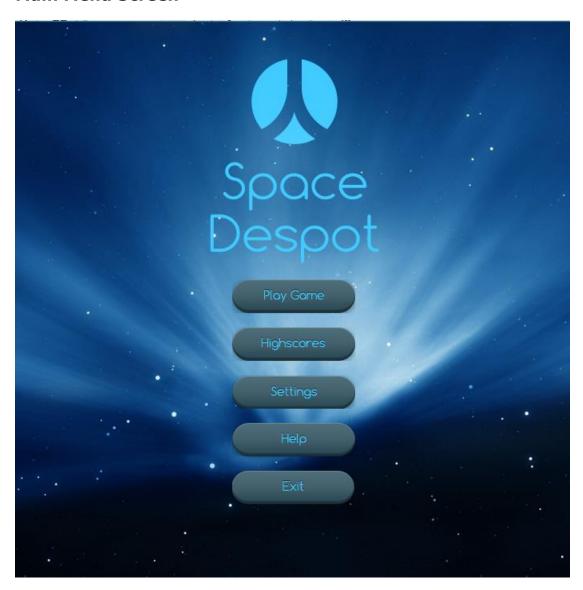
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4 User Interfaces

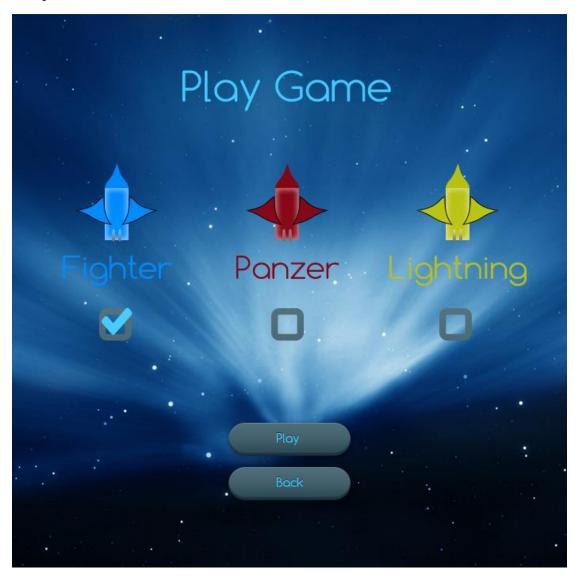
Main Menu Screen



MainMenuScreen is the first screen initialized when the game is started. Player can access Play Game screen, Highscores screen, Settings screen, Help screen and exit the game using buttons.

No significant change is made in this class.

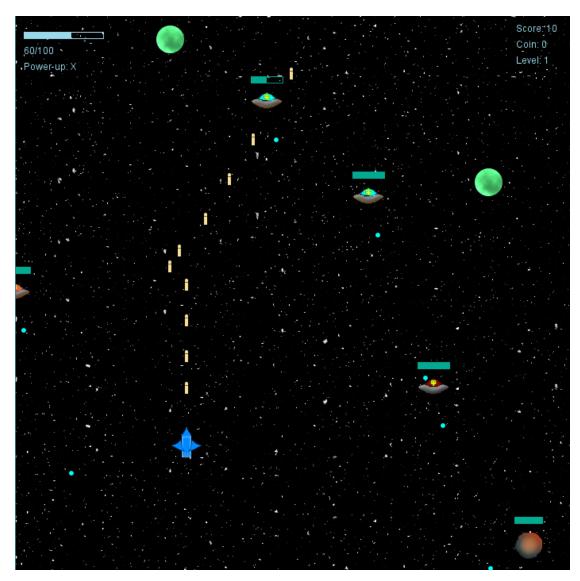
Play Game Screen



In order to play the game, player needs to access play game screen. In this screen, player chooses one spaceship among 3 types. Although the boxes under spaceship types look like a check box, actually they are radio buttons. Player can only select 1 type of spaceship before starting the game. Default selection is Fighter. When the selection is completed, player can proceed to the game by clicking Play.

No significant change is made in the final version of class.

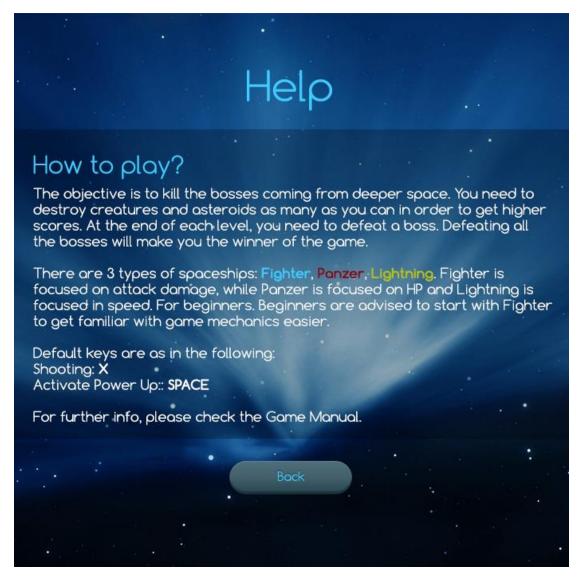
Game Screen



The screen above is the main screen of the game. Player can progress in the game until end state by using the functionalities of the spaceship in this screen. Pressing ESC during this screen opens up Pause Menu and freezes the game.

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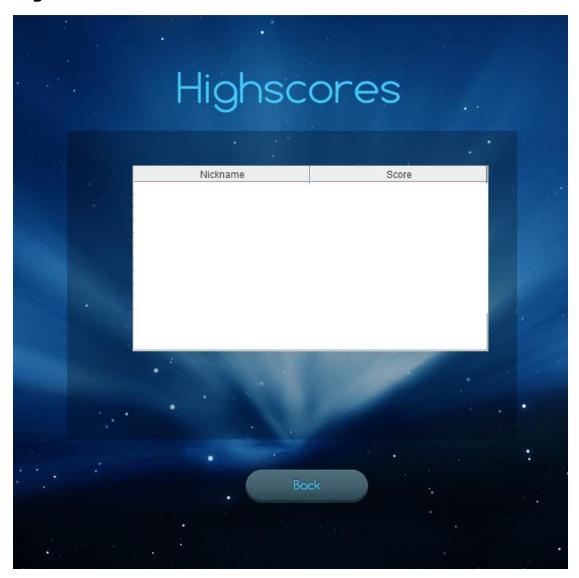
Help Screen



Help Screen tells the user necessary information about the game. It consists of a static image and a back button, which lets user return back to main menu.

We first planned to use components of Java Swing to create this screen; however, in order to enhance the visual quality of the screen, we designed a static image file using Adobe Photoshop, then added it to the screen.

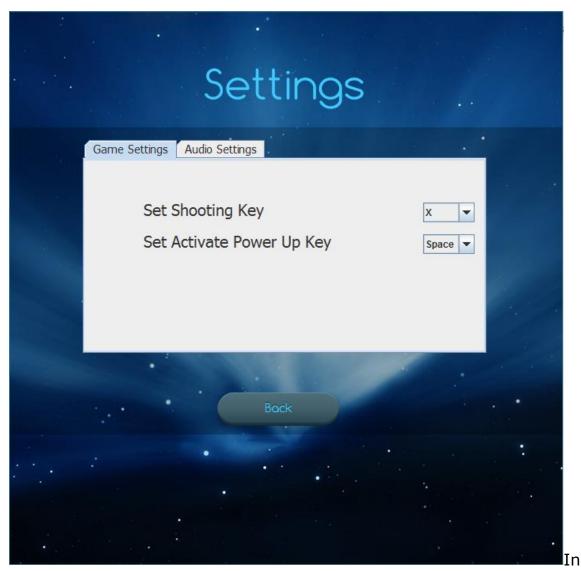
Highscores Screen



Highscore Screen displays the top scores achieved by the players. Scores are kept in a remote database, which means that the highscore table is global. PHP is used for database connection purposes.

We first planned to make the highscore table local, but after some discussion, we concluded that making it global will enhance the competitiveness of the game.

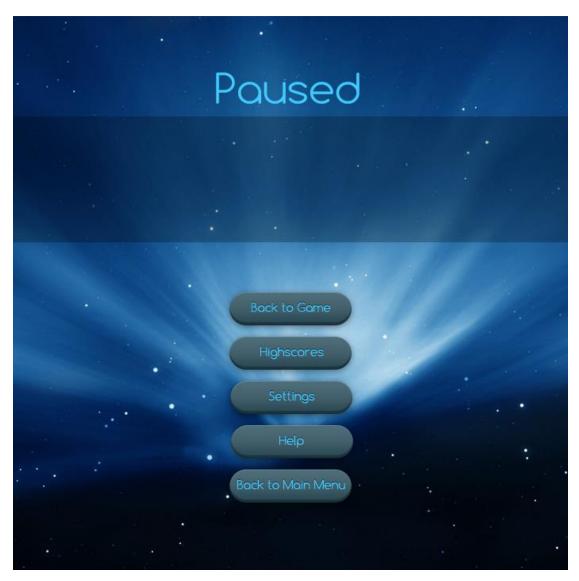
Settings Screen



Settings screen, player can change shooting key and power-up key, also he can change the volumes of FX and Music.

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Pause Menu



When the player presses ESC button during game, Pause Screen pops up and freezes the game. While in this screen, clicking Back to Game or pressing ESC again open the game screen from the last state. Player can display highscores, settings and help as in main menu.

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Parts that are not implemented

We implemented the graphical components in Adobe Photoshop, but due to the time limit, we could not integrate some of the graphics to Java Swing. Other than this, we successfully implemented all the core classes, game logic, and logics of user interfaces. At the point we submit the report, the game is in playable state and all the game logic works fine as

far as we play-tested the game. We also handled all the design by ourselves and composed the game musics. Adobe Photoshop is used for user interface and game components designs, Logic Pro X is used for composing musics.

A-Appendix

1 - Game Manual -

 $\frac{https://github.com/DjCedrics/cs319\ group19\ project/blob/master/reports/GameManual.}{pdf})$

2 - Javadoc API -

https://qithub.com/DjCedrics/cs319 group19 project/blob/master/space despot api.zip