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Programming Workshop 5: SDL Programming

GAM340: Professional Practice
BA(Hons) Game Development

Digital Attendance

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- We hope it will save lots of time!
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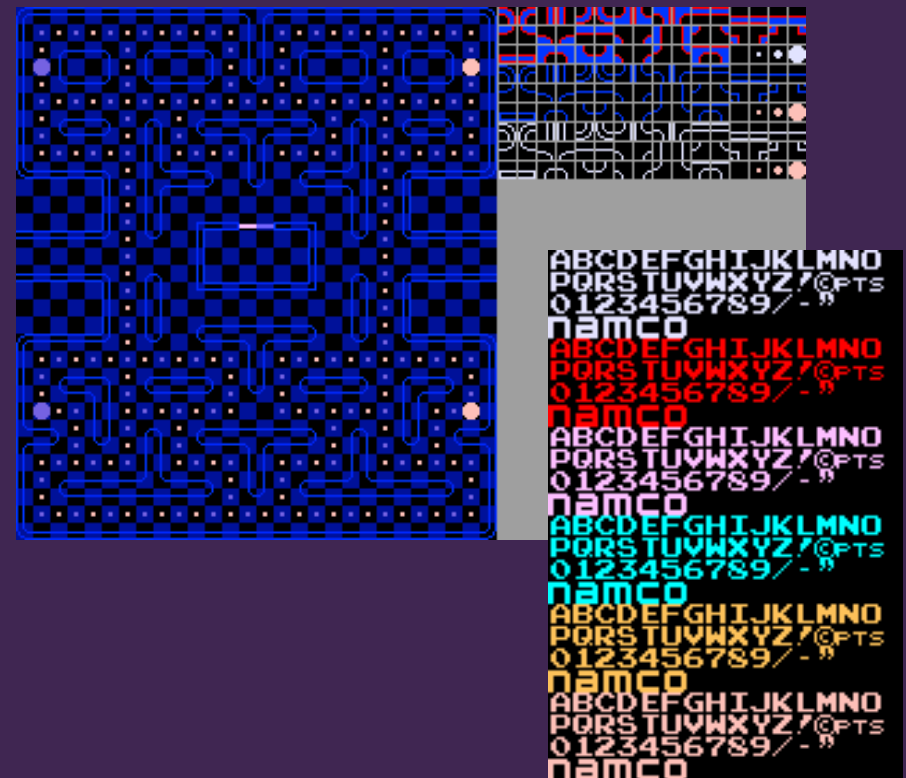
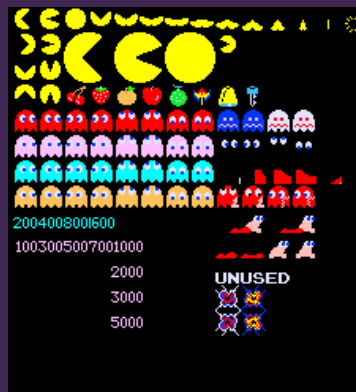


- Learning Objectives
 - **Feedback** on the SDL podcast
 - **Review** the programming activities in the podcast
 - **Create** a font renderer to demonstrate texture page mastery
 - **Design & build** Pong using OO techniques

- SDL Podcast
 - Did it make any sense?
 - How far did you get with it?

- 00. Balls!
 - Work out how to:
 - Store some balls
 - Update them so they bounce in the screen
 - Use the keyboard controller to add and remove balls on demand

- Texture page use in SDL
 - Fundamental for displaying naff 8-bit text for debug & in-game
 - Also for working with texture pages (atlases)



- 01.sdl_printfont
 - Load a bmp font file
 - Convert it to 32-bit
 - Alpha channel that can be alpha tested
 - Work out the relationship between characters in a string and their glyphs in the font texture
 - Draw them in the correct place
 - Use scaling to make things bigger

- Booch OO Development method

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 - Pong (1972)
 - First successful arcade game, launched Atari to become the dominant player of the 1st & 2nd computer consoles generations
 - Cause of first games lawsuit



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- Pong game design
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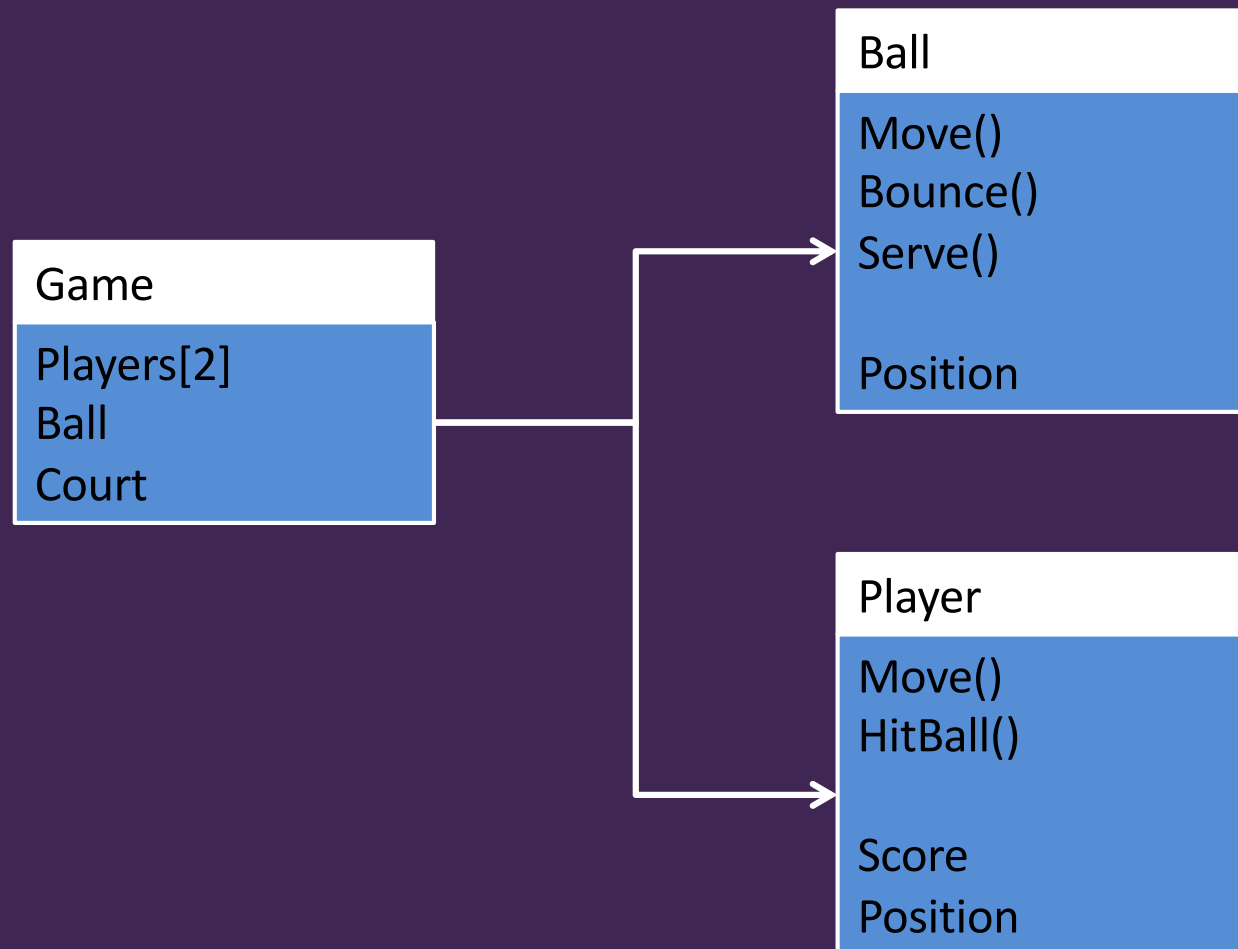
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Class	Method	Attributes
Player	Move Hit ball	
Ball	Move Bounce Serve	
		Players [2] Ball

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- Pong game design
 - It's the nature of designer-led game design that some aspects are implicit
 - So as implementers, you need to fill in the games to create something that is systemic
 - This is the nature of iterative activities -> it's v. difficult to capture everything in one (or a few goes)

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Player	Move Hit ball	Score Position
Ball	Move Bounce Serve	Position
Game	Play	Players [2] Ball Court

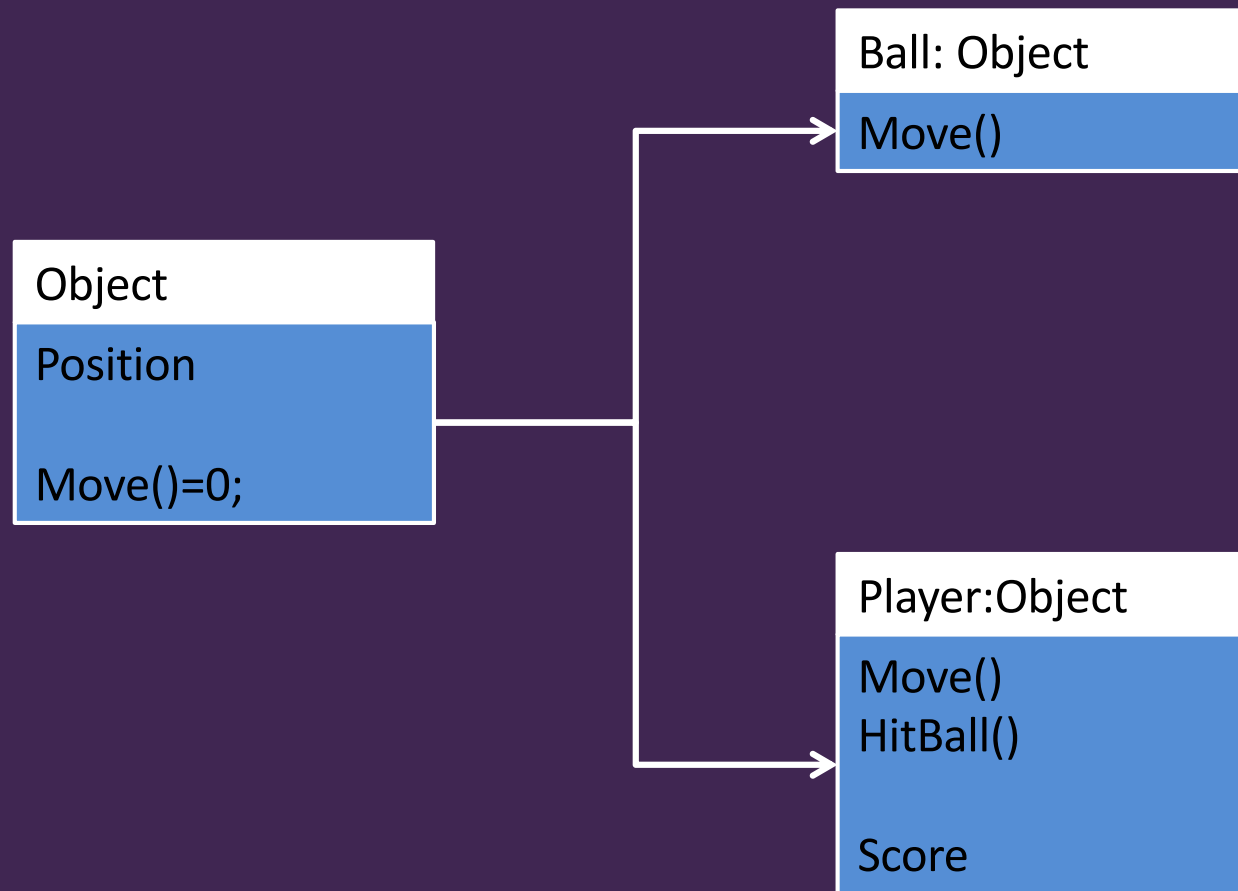
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- Booch OO Development method
- Design / code choice
 - What kind of functionality and data will they have?

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- 01. simple pong
 - Simple working pong game within SDL framework

- Booch OO Development method
- Pong dynamic behaviour
 - Pong isn't just about classes and objects, what happens when they interact?
 - What states are in the game and how does the game go from one state to another (transition)
 - This is kind of implicit with the design document
 - As implementers, it's our job to dig into this to create straw man systems that can be refined

- Booch OO Development method
- Pong dynamic behaviour

Entry State	Transition	Description
Attract	Start	Put game in mode where players can start game
Start	P1 Serve	Game serves to player 1
P1 / P2 Serve	Rally	The game will serve at the player who lost the last point
Rally	P1 / P2 Miss	Ball travels between players
P1 / P2 Miss	P1 / P2 Serve	Player misses ball, server back to player

- Booch OO Development method
- 03.simple_states
 - View the game as a set of states `StateMachine::state`
 - Use `StateMachine` class to hold them
 - And manage state changing

- To Do
 - Make Pong into a state-based game using the state machine approach
 - Develop Breakout Game from ‘designer’ brief
 - Build OO model of game
 - Build state model of game
 - Make work in SDL/C++
 - Use flappybird texture page as a starting point for your own flappy clone
 - <https://flappybird.fandom.com/wiki/Sprites>