Spike: 01 (Task 03) Title: Gridworld

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Goals / deliverables:

- Create the Gridworld game as per the specification document
- · Demonstrate separation of input, update and render code
- Use of game data for player and Gridworld map

Technologies, Tools, and Resources used:

- Xcode for Mac
- W3 schools to brush up on c++

Tasks undertaken:

How to run:

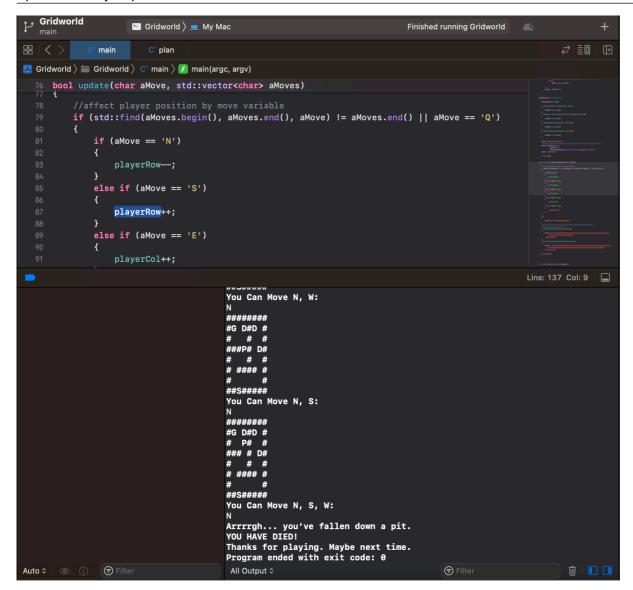
- Download and install Xcode or visual studio
- Create a new c++ console application project
- Replace main file with my code
- Compile and run

In terms of Code:

- Created a vector containing more char vectors to create the Gridworld "map"
- Created a few functions:
- update() updates player position based on input decides output with intractable items D and G
- checkMoves() Checks the valid moves for the player based on surrounding chars in the vector grid
- render() uses a for loop to output the world, can override the grid world with a marker for the players position "P"

What we found out:

Went fairly smoothly and was able to bang this out mostly in a single night. Did need to brush up on C++ to check out arrays vs vectors. Vectors worked better here as they were dynamic in terms of size, and for the checkmoves() function I could simply use the push_back function to append to the vectors the valid moves for the turn. Splitting up functions went smoothly as it seemed the most straightforward way of structuring the code - having an update function for portions and interactables, something to check the moves, and something to render the board, which I decided I should implement from a debug perspective.



Open issues/risks:

This wasn't written OO style. I felt I didn't need it and would have made it needlessly complicated, but could quite easily implement a game world and player object if that's needed.