

Requirement analysis

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the system

The foundation of the developed system is to implement a tower defense game. Players should be able to spend time on different runs of defending an objective from incoming danger.

1.2 Scope of the system

The scope of the system will contain a map with which the player/user interacts via mouse and keyboard. The user base is directed towards computer scientists and enthusiasts enjoin the background story of the game and the parallels to hardware management.

1.3 Objectives and success criteria of the project

The main goal is to entertain the player/user. Therefore the game should be entertaining and differ from the standard tower defense game as there are many available. To stand out we have to implement unique features and mechanics. Some of these are the possibility to alter the terrain itself beside the building of the towers. Also it will be possible to place different towers with different attack types to increase the strategic requirements. Another way to increase the excitement for the game is do diversify the enemies. They will obtain different resistances to certain towers, gain different behaviour patterns such as different movement speeds or attacking towers.

1.4 Definitions, acronyms and abbreviations

In the following we will use certain abbreviations.

TD as tower defense, **PGTD** as Potato Graphics Tower Defense.

Tower defense games themselves reside in the genre of real-time strategy games and consists out of a map, some sorts of defense mechanisms and upcoming enemies which try to break through the defense. This sort of game is usually played as a single player game or some times as a cooperative game.

Level: As TDs are turn based a level will start at a wave 1 and end with the defeat of a preset last wave x or with a loss for the player/user.

Normal game mode: The player/user is victorious after reaching a preset number of turns of increasingly stronger enemies. As the player/user progresses the levels will consist out of more turns and stronger enemies but will also be able to build better towers.

Endless game mode: The endless game mode is an infinite level with the aim to conquer as many waves as possible.

Wave: A wave is defined as one turn of a level. It starts with the spawning of enemies and ends with the defeat of all enemies. There should be a small time step between the waves to let the player/user prepare himself/herself for the next one.

Loss: The player/user will lose if he can't defend the incoming enemies and a certain amount of enemies reached the end point.

1.5 References

Popular examples for tower defense games are plants vs zombies, Bloons TD and gemcraft. Also the world builder of Warcraft III lead to a great number of different TDs which finally were the foundation of further TD game development. All these games have some things in common: It comes down to diversify the towers and adding challenging enemies with unique abilities which require own solving strategies and to find the overall balance of towers in the game. Common shared game modes are the story mode to progress in the game and to find new enemies, achievements and technologies. Another one would be the endless mode so the players can indirectly compete with each other how far they can come in a turn based game.

1.6 Overview

Development tools

For development we use Unity Hub 3.1.2 and for the project we use the unity version 2021.3.1f1.

2 Proposed system

2.1 Overview

2.2 Functional requirements

A yet incomplete list of functional requirements is:

Enemies:

- (E0): Enemies should have the following properties: Movement speed, health, armor, resistance, payload and bounty

(E0.0.1) Base Enemy:

Speed: normal
Health: 100
Armor: 0
Resistance: 0normal, 0energy
Payload: 1
Bounty: 1

(E0.0.2) Fast Enemy:

Speed: fast
Health: 25
Armor: 0
Resistance: 0normal, 0energy
Payload: 1
Bounty: 1

(E0.0.3) slow Enemy (Normal Resistance):

Speed: slow
Health: 150
Armor: 5
Resistance: 1normal, 0energy
Payload: 1
Bounty: 3

(E0.0.4) slow Enemy (Energy Resistance):

Speed: slow
Health: 150
Armor: 5
Resistance: 0normal, 1energy
Payload: 1
Bounty: 3

(E0.0.5) big fat Enemy :

Speed: slow
Health: 600
Armor: 10
Resistance: 1normal, 1energy
Payload: 5
Bounty: 80

(E0.0.6) suicide fast Enemy :

Speed: fast
Health: 1
Armor: 0

Resistance: 0normal, 0energy
Payload: 100
Bounty: 0.25

(E0.0.7) Boss Enemy :

Speed: slow
Health: 1200
Armor: 10
Resistance: 1normal, 1energy
Payload: 10
Bounty: 120

(E0.0.8) Buff Enemy :

Speed: normal
Health: 50
Armor: 5
Resistance: 0normal, 0energy
Payload: 1
Bounty: 3
Bonus Effect: Enemy Boost Movement Speed described in E(0.1)

(E0.1) Movement speed will depend on the type of enemy and an slowing effect:

- slow enemy: 6 unity units/second
- normal enemy: 12 unity units/second
- fast enemy: 24 unity units/second

Towers with the attack modifier "slow" apply depending on the Tower Tier a % slow described in (T1).

A specific Enemy Boost Movement increases the Movement Speed from Enemies by 25% in a range from 5 around the enemy with the boost effect Only the highest Slow is applied to the enemy.

(E0.2) Enemy health is implemented as an integer value between 0 and an enemy specific max. value. Enemies are spawned with full health **tbd** and loose health among tower shots.

(E0.3) Enemy armor reduces damage taken by a percentage based value. Armor is an integer from 0 to 10 and each increment decreased the incoming damage by 5% up to 50%.

(E0.4) Enemy resistance gives extra armor if the attacking tower's attack modifier is matching the resistance type. The resistance adds 25% extra armor. Therefore the maximal armor an enemy can achieve is 75%. (0 means no resistance, 1 means 25% bonus armor)

(E0.5) The payload determines the damage that is inflicted to the player if the enemy reaches the end.

(E0.6.0) Each enemy killed increases the asset counter of the player by the enemy specific bounty minimum 1

(E0.6.1) Enemy bounty will increase by $\min(5\%, 0.25)$ every round.

(E1): Enemies should be automatically and continuously spawned at the beginning of each wave. Spawnrate depends on the different level and is measured in: X enemy/second
-for development we experiment with different spawnrates (2-5 enemies/second)

(E2): Enemies killed are defined by them having zero HP and they should vanish immediately from the map

(E3): Each enemy reaching the endpoint depletes the lives by its payload.

Towers:

(T0): Towers should have the following properties: Damage type, attack modifier, attack damage, attack rate, Range and rotation Speed, if no Rotation Speed is given it means the tower has an aoe effect and their attributes start with tier1 and can be upgraded up to tier5.

(T0.0) Machine Gun:

normal Damage, no modifier, 10dmg, 1 Atk/s, 15range, 15 Rot. Speed
Range upgrade: + 2, 2, 2, 5 range
Attack Speed upgrade: + 0.2, 0.2, 0.5, 1.0 Atk/s
Damage upgrade: + 1, 2, 3, 10dmg

(T0.1) Slow Laser:

energy Damage, slow, 3dmg/s, 18range, 50 Rot. Speed
Range upgrade +1, 1, 3, 5 range
no given attack speed, only dmg per sec
Damage upgrade: + 0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5 dmg
Modifier Slow upgrade: fixed Values described in T1.1

(T0.2) Rocket Launcher:

normal Damage, blast (3ranges), 25dmg, 0.3 Atk/s, 25range, 5 Rot. Speed
Range upgrade +1, 1, 3, 5 range
Attack Speed upgrade: + 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.25 Atk/s
Modifier blast upgrade: fixed Values described in T1.2

(T0.3) EMP Tower:

no damage, EMP (0.1s), 0 dmg, 1Atk/s, 8range
Attack Range upgrade: + 1, 1, 1, 3
Attack Speed upgrade: + 0.25, 0.25, 0.25, 0.5
Modifier EMP upgrade: fixed Values described in T1.3

(T0.4) Sniper Tower:

normal Damage, Armor-Piercing, 250dmg, 0.5 Atk/s, 40range, 10 Rot.
Speed

Range upgrade: + 4, 4, 4, 8 range

Attack Speed upgrade: + 0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3 Atk/s

Damage upgrade: + 30, 30, 50, 100dmg

Modifier Armor-Piercing upgrade: fixed Values described in T1.4

(T0.5) Supply Tower Speed:

no damage, Speed Boost, 0dmg, 0 Atk/s, 10range

Range upgrade: + 1, 1, 1, 2 range

Modifier Speed Boost upgrade: fixed Values described in T1.6

(T0.6) Supply Tower Damage:

no damage, Damage Boost, 0dmg, 0 Atk/s, 10range

Range upgrade: + 1, 1, 1, 2 range

Modifier Damage Boost upgrade: fixed Values described in T1.7

(T0.7) Supply Tower Range:

no damage, Range Boost, 0dmg, 0 Atk/s, 10range

Range upgrade: + 1, 1, 1, 2 range

Modifier Range Boost upgrade: fixed Values described in T1.8

(T0.8) Supply Tower Armor-Piercer:

no damage, Armor-Piercer Boost, 0dmg, 0 Atk/s, 10range

Range upgrade: + 1, 1, 1, 2 range

Modifier Armor-Piercer Boost upgrade: fixed Values described in T1.5

(T0.8) Money Farm:

no damage, Money Boost, 0dmg, 0 Atk/s, 0range

Modifier money Boost upgrade: fixed Values described in T1.9

(T1): Tower can have the following Modifier with their effect from Tier1-5, every tower with a modifier starts with a Tier1 Modifier and can be upgraded up to Tier 5:

(T1.1) Slow Modifier:

Apply the following Slow to the enemy as long as he is targeted by the tower:

Tier1 slow: 15%

Tier2 slow: 35%

Tier3 slow: 50%

Tier4 slow: 70%

Tier5 slow: 90%

(T1.2) Blast Modifier:

Blast Modifier makes the tower dealing damage in a circle with fixed range around his target with 50% damage:

Tier1 blast: 1 range

Tier2 blast: 2 range

Tier3 blast: 3 range

Tier4 blast: 5 range

Tier5 blast: 7 range

(T1.3) EMP Modifier:

Each Attack the Tower stuns all enemies in the attack range for x seconds:

Tier1 blast: 0.05 seconds

Tier2 blast: 0.1 seconds

Tier3 blast: 0.15 seconds

Tier4 blast: 0.20 seconds

Tier5 blast: 0.3 seconds

(T1.4) Armor-Piercing Modifier:

Armor-Piercing Modifier let the turret ignore a % of the armor from the Enemies:

Tier1 Armor-Piercing: 20%

Tier2 Armor-Piercing: 40%

Tier3 Armor-Piercing: 60%

Tier4 Armor-Piercing: 80%

Tier5 Armor-Piercing: 100%

(T1.5) Armor-Piercer Boost Modifier:

Applies the following effect to other turrets in the range of the turret: (not stackable only the highest effect Applies)

Tier1 Armor-Piercing: 5%

Tier2 Armor-Piercing: 15%

Tier3 Armor-Piercing: 25%

Tier4 Armor-Piercing: 35%

Tier5 Armor-Piercing: 50%

(T1.6) Speed Boost Modifier:

Applies the following effect to other turrets in the range of the turret: (not stackable only the highest effect Applies)

Tier1 Atk Speed: 5%

Tier2 Atk Speed: 10%

Tier3 Atk Speed: 20%

Tier4 Atk Speed: 30%

Tier5 Atk Speed: 40%

(T1.7) Damage Boost Modifier:

Applies the following effect to other turrets in the range of the turret: (not stackable only the highest effect Applies)

Tier1 damage bonus: 5%
Tier2 damage bonus: 10%
Tier3 damage bonus: 15%
Tier4 damage bonus: 20%
Tier5 damage bonus: 30%

(T1.8) Range Boost Modifier:

Applies the following effect to other turrets in the range of the turret: (not stackable only the highest effect Applies)

Tier1 range bonus: 1%
Tier2 range bonus: 2%
Tier3 range bonus: 3%
Tier4 range bonus: 5%
Tier5 range bonus: 7%

(T1.8) Money Boost Modifier:

Generates Money after each Wave depending on the number of the wave

Tier1 range bonus: 3%
Tier2 range bonus: 5%
Tier3 range bonus: 8%
Tier4 range bonus: 12%
Tier5 range bonus: 20%

- (T2): The software should let towers automatically attack enemies if in range and reduce their HP according to the damage calculations. The Tower should have the option to focus the nearest or farthest enemy and can be switched in the round.
- (T3): The damage should be calculated by $\text{tower_damage} * (100\% + \text{Modifier-Bonus}) * \text{effectivity_multiplier} * (100\% - (\min(\text{armor}, 50\%) * 100\% - (\text{Armor-piercing})))$
- (T4): The *effectivity_multiplier* is defined by a lookup table determined by *Damage.type* and *enemy_resistance*
- (T5): The system should allow the player to select a tower and place it on valid spots on the map
- (T6): The system should allow the player to select placed towers to upgrade them. Every Tower is defined in T0 and which attributes can be upgraded up to Tier5.
- (T7): Towers can't be placed with insufficient funds, if the funds are sufficient they will be reduced by the cost of the tower after the tower has been placed on the map

(T8): Towers can be sold receiving 75% of the initial costs

Spells:

(S0): The following Spells exist and can be used. They have no cost but a Cooldown till they can be used again. They can also be upgraded till tier5 and upgraded in the menu before the games to make them even stronger

(S0.1) Damage Spell:

Buffs each tower to deal extra damage.

Damage: 10%, 15%, 20%, 25%, 35%

Cooldown: 60sec, 55sec, 50sec, 50sec, 50sec

(S0.2) Attack Speed Spell:

Buffs each tower to get extra Attack Speed.

Attack Speed: 15%, 25%, 35%, 45%, 60%

Cooldown: 60sec, 55sec, 50sec, 50sec, 50sec

(S0.3) Freeze Spell:

Freeze all enemies on the field for x seconds (100% slow).

Duration: 2sec, 3sec, 4sec, 5sec, 8sec

Cooldown: 120sec, 110sec, 105sec, 100sec, 100sec

(S0.4) Slow Spell:

Slows all enemies on the field for x seconds.

Slow: 10%, 15%, 20%, 25%, 35%

Cooldown: 60sec, 55sec, 50sec, 50sec, 50sec

(S0.5) Meteor Spell:

Deals a % of damage to all enemies on the field.

Damage: 15%, 20%, 20%, 25%, 30%

Cooldown: 60sec, 60sec, 50sec, 50sec, 50sec

(S0.6) Lightning Spell:

Deals Damage to the highest Health enemy.

Damage: 10% + 500, 15% + 600, 20% + 6000, 25%+ 1000, 66%

Cooldown: 180sec, 170sec, 160sec, 150sec, 140sec

(S0.7) Money Spell:

For x seconds gain % more money from all dieing enemies.

More Money: 10%, 20%, 30%, 40%, 50%

Cooldown: 90sec, 90sec, 90sec, 90sec, 90sec

(S0.8) Reduce Cooldown Spell:

Reduce the Cooldown of all remaining Spells.

Cooldown Reduce: 10sec, 12sec, 15sec, 20sec, 30sec

Cooldown: 240sec, 220sec, 200sec, 180sec, 180sec

(S1): The player is able to click the spell button and a menu opens, if he click it again, it shows again the tower

(S2): The player can click the spell he wants to use in the new menu

System

(Sys0): The system shall allow the user to start the game

(Sys1): The system shall allow the user to select the game mode

(Sys2): The player is able to Pause/Continue the Game via a button in the left corner of the Game

(Sys3): The player should be able to pause or close the game by pressing escape or the options button and a menu should be shown:

Being in the menu the user should be able to select "Settings", "Back to main menu" or "Leave Game". Continue should continue the game, settings should open a sub-menu to regulate settings and leave game should end the game, "Back to main menu" should take the player back to the main menu.

(Sys4): The map should be loading after selecting the game mode

(Sys5): The map should be able to represent towers, enemies, the core and the scenery

(Sys6): The system should display the current HP of the core

2.3 Nonfunctional requirements

2.3.1 User interface and human factors

The user interface should be easy to use and understand. A prior is not to make it too complex and clear to every new user.

2.3.2 Documentation

Should be done in a Trello Board and the version control is done through GitHub. The different documents are written in LaTeX and linked in the GitHub repository.

2.3.3 Hardware considerations

Minimum requirements:

Operating system: Windows 10 (64bit)

Processor: 1.5 GHz or better (x86-64)

Memory: 4096MB Ram

Graphics: OpenGL 2.0 compatible, ATI, Nvidia or Intel HD

Disk space: 4096MB available disk space

Recommended requirements:

Operating system: Windows 10 (64bit)

Processor: 2 GHz or better (x86-64)

Memory: 8192MB Ram

Graphics: OpenGL 2.0 compatible, ATI, Nvidia or Intel HD

Disk space: 4096MB available disk space

Sound card: Windows compatible sound card

2.3.4 Performance characteristics

The game should at least run 60fps on average and never below 40FPS for recommended requirements.

For the minimum requirement it should run never below 30FPS.

The response time from inputs should be below 50ms on average.

2.3.5 Error handling and extreme conditions

Depending on the Error the game should be closed and stop all his processes for not overloading the computer. If it's a minor error the game should be continue in the hope that the error is not important and bad.

2.3.6 System modifications

You don't need to change anything on your system except that you need Unity to run the game.

The game should only change data in his own folder.

2.3.7 Physical environment

For the physical environment it's planned to get the game working on a computer with little power. So even a computer with a non-dedicated graphics card can run the game without any problem. Only Windows support is planned.

2.3.8 Security issues

Since the game is initially intended to be a solo player, there is no need to take security into account with regards to multiplayer. Overall the game shouldn't collect any data that is not important for the game.

2.3.9 Resource issues

Different Assets are needed for enemy's and own structures/buildings. They should be served as a high quality but at the same time should not consume too much data.

2.3.10 Coding style

We will be bound to the coding standards and will ensure an increased quality of code by regularly conducting code refactoring. As a two person group we will either rely on code reviews based on the person who didn't participate writing the code snippet or use pair programming techniques.

2.4 Pseudo requirements

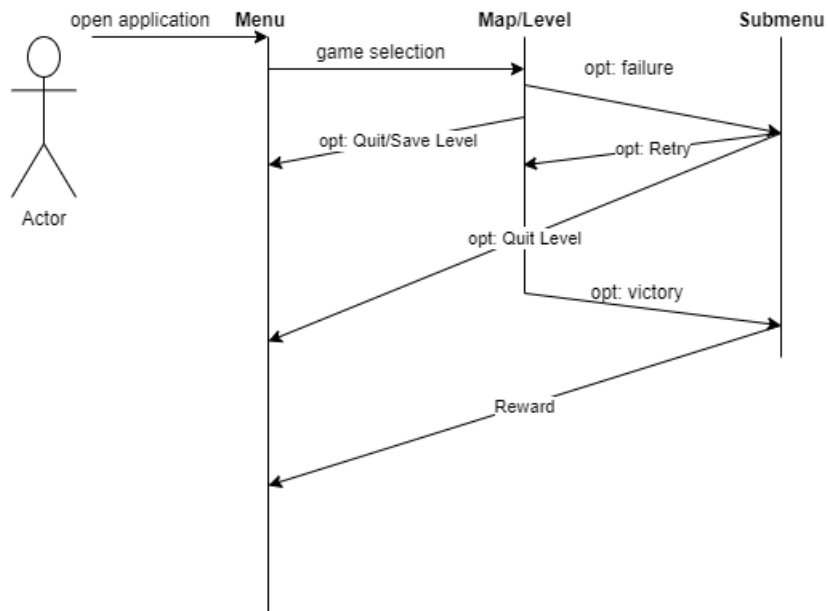
The game should run on at least windows 10. It should be written in Unity with C# as its main programming language.

2.5 System models

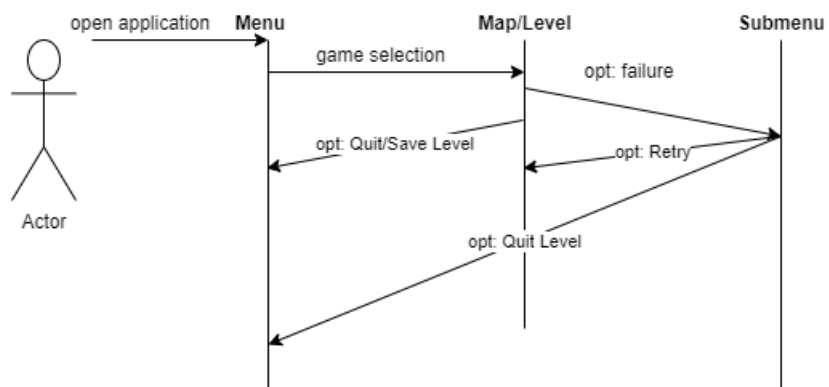
2.5.1 Scenarios

The two main ways to play the game consist out of the two game modes: Normal/Story mode and endless mode. The endless mode is not winnable and therefore always results of a defeat notification in the submenu:

Story mode



Endless mode



2.5.2 Use case model

There will be only one type of user: The player. The main goal of the game will be to entertain the player for a decent time and to make him come back to the game. Therefore there has to be some incentives to continue playing such as

increasing diversity in towers and enemies. We want the player to keep playing so the player has to be awarded for clearing levels.

2.5.3 Object model

2.5.3.1 Data dictionary

- **Building:** building, cost, HP
- **Tower:** range, damage, attack rate, attack modifier, damage type
- **Game environment:** map, height, width
- **Game element:** xy-position, sprite
- **Enemy:** HP, movement speed, resistance, armor, bounty
- **Map:** map
- **Projectiles:** Optional
- **Path:** Optional, part of map?

2.5.3.2 Class diagrams

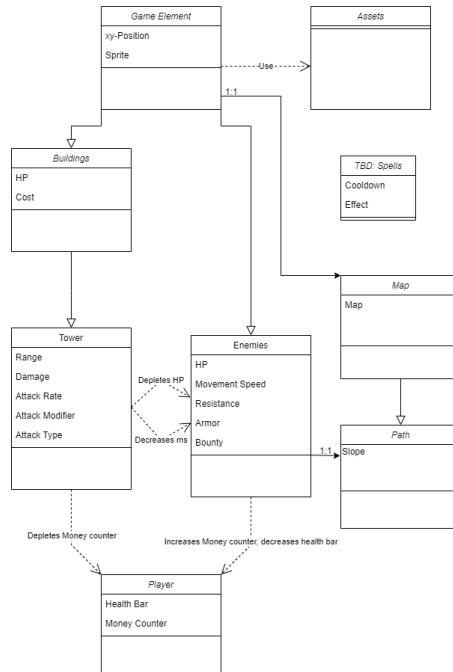


Figure 1: Class diagram

2.5.4 Dynamic models

See figure 1 for the enemy activity diagram

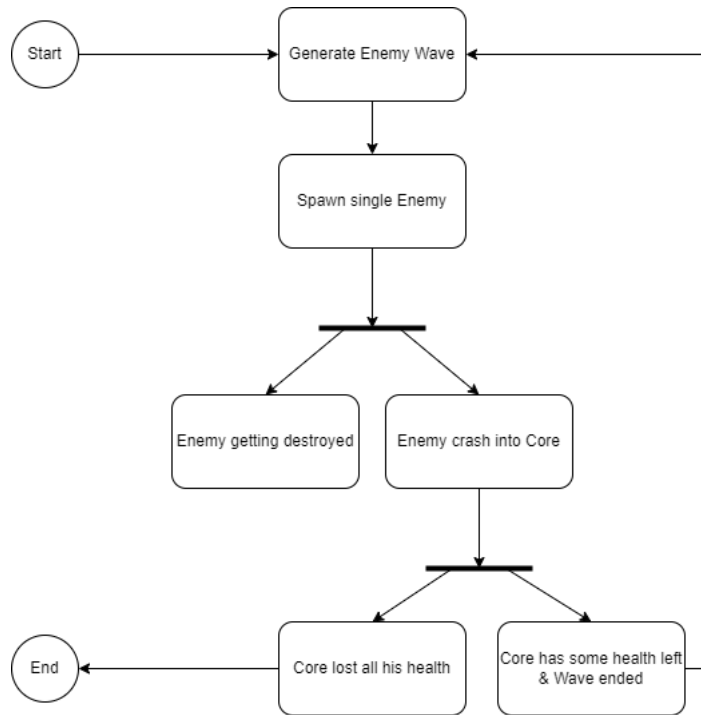


Figure 2: Diagram for "workflow" for enemy's generation

2.5.5 User interface – navigational paths and screen mock-ups

See figure 3-6 for the screen Mock-ups and User interface – navigational paths
Main Page (start menu) —> game selection —> in game —> ingame-menu to
leave to the main page —> main page

3 Glossary

Dynamic objects: Moving objects, mainly enemies and probably tower missiles

Static objects: Stationary objects, mainly towers

Environment: Map background and scenery

Spawn: Point where the enemies are spawned each wave

End-Point: Point which is the goal for the enemies and need to be reached by them

Victory: The player will win after clearing the last wave of a level

Movement speed: Squares/s for dynamic objects
 Health: Integer value $i=0$, is decreased by damage
 Armor: Integer value $i=0$, decreases incoming damage towards health
 Resistance: Percentage based value, decreased incoming damage based on damage type
 Payload: Integer value $i=0$, indicates how many enemies an enemy will drop upon death
 Bounty: Integer value $i=1$, indicates the amount of assets granted to the player upon killing the enemy

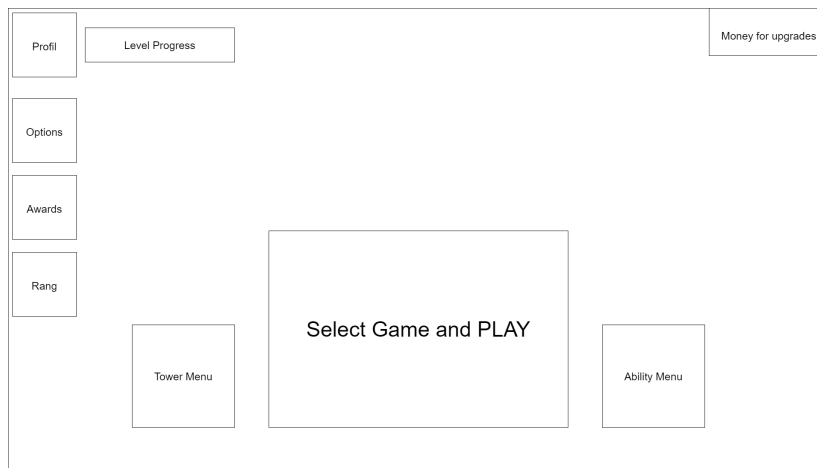


Figure 3: First Menu after starting the game

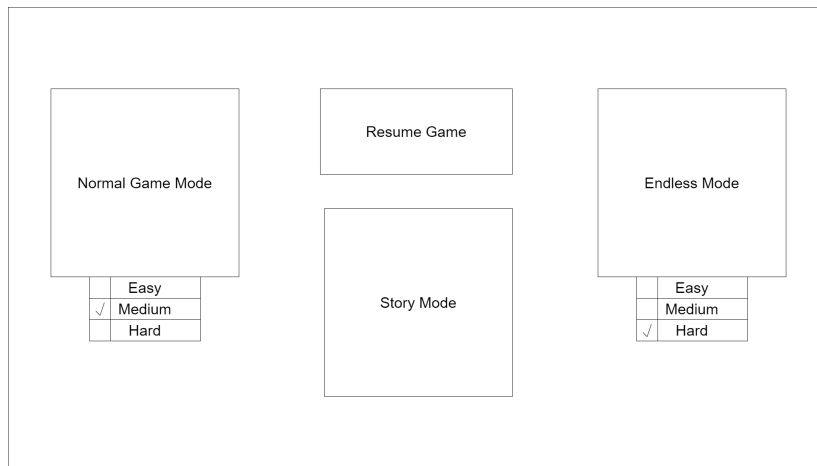


Figure 4: The player can choose between the game modes with their difficulty or can resume the last saved game

Attack damage: Integer value $i=1$, defines the base damage of a tower attack
 Damage type: Type of attack, can in- or decrease base damage depending on the enemy's resistance

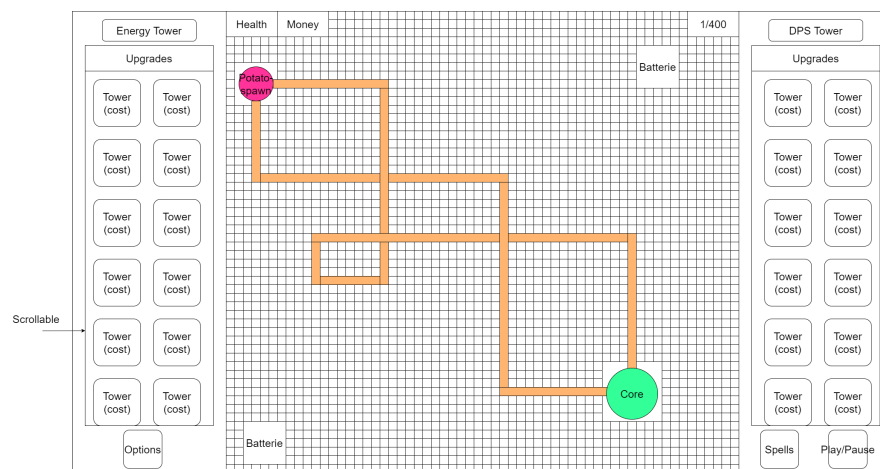


Figure 5: The User interface in the game with all options

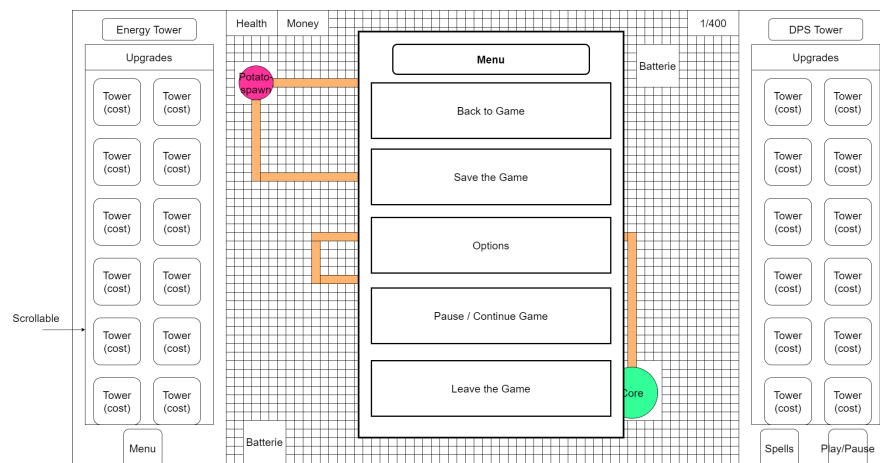


Figure 6: After opening the menu ingame