COMP4021 Internet Computing

Assignment 2 Dynamic SVG Game

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Basic Idea of the Game 1/2

- After the game starts, the 'time left' will start from an appropriate number, such as 100 seconds
- The 'time left' will be reduced by 1 every second
- The player needs to reach a particular exit point (i.e. an exit) before the time becomes zero
- If the time runs out before the player reaches the exit point, the player dies
- If the player reaches the exit before the time runs out, the time remaining is added to the player's score

Basic Idea of the Game 2/2

Platforms

 To get to the exit point, the player has to walk/jump on several platforms

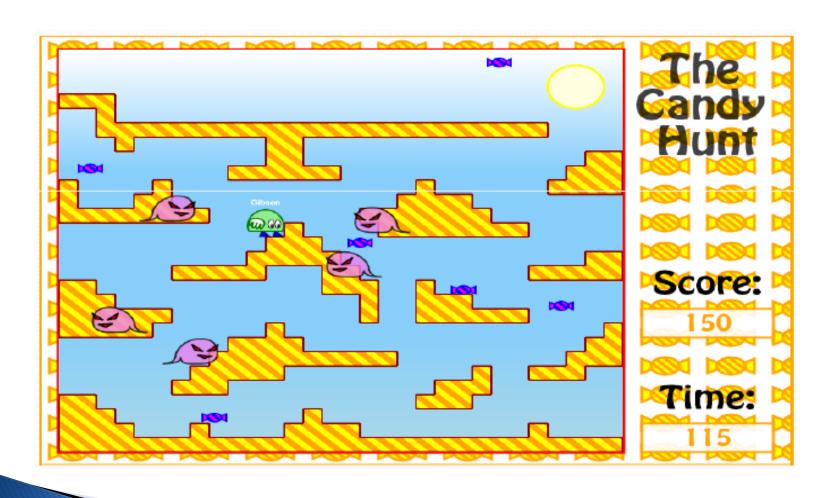
Good things

- There are good things near the platforms; when the player gets one he/she increases the score
- The player has to collect **ALL** the good things before he/she can reach the exit point

Monsters

- Monsters appear in random places; the player dies if it touches one
- The player can shoot the monsters to get more score

Example Screen Shot



Example of Commercial Games





Chack'n Pop, from 1983

Manic miner, from the 1980's

 You can get ideas for your platform game arrangement by looking at other platform games available on the Internet

Two Ways to Play

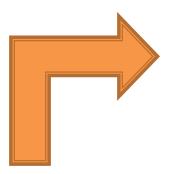
- As soon as the page loads, the player gets two choices:
- 1. Play in normal 'no zoom' mode
 - The entire game is played in 'normal' mode (no zoom)
- 2. Play in 'zoom' mode (200% zoom)
 - The entire game is played in 'zoom' mode
 - The whole game works exactly the same as for no zoom mode, with the same platforms, monsters, etc, but because of the zoom everything is much harder (i.e. can't see the monsters until they are very close)
 - Therefore, in 'zoom' mode all scores will be greater compared to the 'no zoom' mode, as it is much harder
- The whole game is played in the selected mode until the player dies (i.e. touches a monster or runs out of time)

Example Start-up Screen

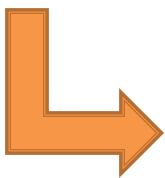


Include your Name and last four digits of your student (e.g. xxxx1234) when in the start-up screen

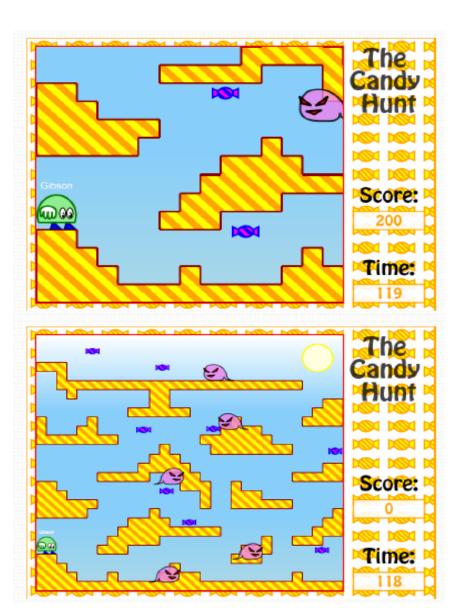
Zoom mode (200% zoom)



 After user chooses which mode to play the game in



Normal mode



Zoom Mode = Relatively More Score

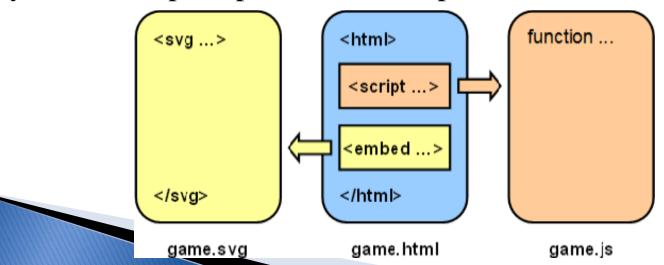
- In zoom mode all scores are worth significantly more than in normal mode i.e.
 - shoot a monster, get perhaps twice as much as you would in normal mode
 - finish a level, get perhaps twice as much as you would in normal mode

Summary of Keys

- Please use these keys in your game:
 - w − jump
 - a − left
 - d − right
 - space shoot
 - c cheat mode on
 - v cheat mode off

File Arrangement

- Use the same file arrangement from the labs arrangement from the labs
- To start the game, open game.html in Firefox 26.0 (we will mark the assignment using exactly the same environment in lab, i.e. the Portable Firefox in L:\apps\COMP4021\)
- There is no html display in this project, all display is SVG (you can use prompt() for name input)



Overview (1/2)

•	Game Engine	
•	Starting Screen	4%
•	Handling of Player	8%
•	Handling of Monsters	10%
•	Handling of Good Things	5%
•	Platforms	4%
•	Transmission Portal	4%
•	Shooting	6%

Overview (2/2)

•	Sound	5%
•	Time Remaining	8%
•	Game Quality	14%
•	Score Update and Display	4%
•	Cheat Mode	18%
•	End of Game	5%
•	Handling High Score Table	5%

Maximum Mark = 100%

Game Engine/ Basic Requirements

Game engine/ basic requirements

No logical/ procedural errors

Appropriate collision detection

Correct jumping/walking behavior

Deductions for any use of bitmap images in the game

Zoom mode implemented correctly compared to normal mode

Everything stored in the DOM (except cookie information)

...and so on

Marks will be deducted for any problems encountered

Size of the Game

- The game area (where the game is taking place) has a size of 800 pixels by 600 pixels at least
- This is the same as the game we have in the lab
- If you want to change the size from the lab code (optional) you need to:
 - Adjust the size in the svg element at the top of the svg file
 - Adjust the size of the game area group in the svg file
 - Adjust the value stored in the constant SCREEN_WIDTH and SCREEN_HEIGHT in the JavaScript file

Starting Screen 4%



- When the SVG starts you need to give the player some information
 - Include the title of the game, your name, and student ID
 - Give a general introduction to the game and tell the player what he/she needs to do
 - Say what keys the user needs to press to play the game (left/right/jump/shoot)
 - This is all shown in the same 'screen', in SVG
 - On this screen the user can choose either 'normal' or 'zoom' mode to start the game
 - You can add anything else appropriate

Handling of Player 8%



- ▶ +2 marks 'Flip' player when move left/ right
- ► +2 marks The player can jump/ move left/ move right/ shoot on any platform
- → +2 marks The player name is appropriately shown at the top of the player (as shown above), with 'Anonymous' used as the name if the user enters an empty string
- ▶ +2 marks The player dies if it touches any monster

Handling of Monsters 10%





- ▶ There must be at least 6 monsters
- The monsters can all look the same, if you want
 - +2 marks Some appropriate animation of monsters (using any SVG animation command(s) except animateColor)
 - +2 marks The monsters appear at random places at the start of the game but must not be very close to the player
 - +2 marks The monsters move smoothly from one random location to another random location during the game
 - +2 marks 'Flip' monster when move left/ right
 - +2 marks There is exactly one special monster which can shoot bullet. There is at most one bullet in game window from the monster at a time.

Handling of Good Things 5%



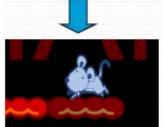
- There must be at least 8 good things in the game
 - +1 marks The good things are generated at random places at the start of the game
 - +1 marks The good things cannot appear within a platform, i.e. they should not overlap with any platforms
 - +1 marks The player collects the good things by touching them. The collected good things are deleted from the DOM
 - +2 marks The player needs to collect all good things before he/she can reach the exit point

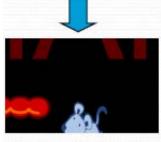
Disappearing Platforms 4%

- +2 marks There are three disappearing platforms. If the player stays on the disappearing platform after a certain period of time (i.e. 0.5 second), the disappearing platform will disappear and the player will fall down
- +2 marks Good visual impact showing the disappearing platform is going to disappear (i.e. changing the opacity or the color)

 After the platform has disappeared, it does not come back again.







When standing on a sliding platform, the platform gradually disappears, then the player falls down.

Transmission Portal 4%



- +2 marks There should be two portals appeared on the screen (shape and location is freely defined, but it should has good visual impact).
- ▶ +2 marks When the player enters into one portal, it will teleport to the position of another portal.

Shooting 6%



- ▶ +2 marks A player gets 8 bullets at the start of the game and the number of remaining bullets is appropriately shown and updated in the GUI
- +2 marks –When facing left, the player shoots to the left (bullet is removed from DOM appropriately when it is off the screen on the left or hit a monster)
- ▶ +2 marks When facing right, the player shoots to the right (bullet is removed from DOM appropriately when it is off the screen on the right or hit a monster)

Sound 5%

- Use of sound
 - +1 mark Appropriate sound when the player shoots
 - +1 mark Appropriate sound when the player reaches the exit point
 - +1 mark Appropriate sound when the player dies (touches monster or runs out of time)
 - +1 mark Appropriate sound when a monster dies (is shot by the player)
 - +1 mark Appropriate continuous music during the game

Time Remaining 8%



- The player needs to reach the exit point within a certain period of time, e.g. 60 seconds
- The player will die if the player cannot reach the exit point within that time
- The time is count down in two ways: (1) by number and (2) by time bar. The time bar is just a rectangle which keep on reduce its width with the ratio according to the remaining time and the width becomes zero when the remaining time becomes zero
- +4 marks Time count down number is updated and displayed appropriately every second (perhaps using a setInterval())
- +4 marks Time bar is updated and displayed appropriately in every second or even faster/smoother (perhaps using a setInterval() or svg animations)

Game Quality 14%

- How playable the game is
 - •+0/7/14 marks generally poor/ok/good game
 - ✓ To get any marks in this section, your game must use a different theme/images compared to the theme/images given in the labs
 - ✓ You should not make your game too difficult, e.g., the monsters should be roughly uniformly distributed in the game area, and the platforms should be created in some "reasonable" ways (not too narrow/high for the player to reach, good things are collectable, time duration is not too short/long)

Score Update and Display 4%

- Score is updated at the end of the game. Add X points for each second of remaining time, where you choose an appropriate value of X.
- ▶ Score is updated when a monster is shot add Y points when this happens, you choose an appropriate value of Y
- ▶ Score is updated when a good thing is touched add Z points when this happens, you choose the value of Z
- If the game is played in zoom mode, the marks are significantly more than those mentioned above. We double X and Z and triple Y.
- ▶ +1 mark for each of the above

Cheat Mode 18%

- +6 marks In cheat mode, everything is the same as usual, but player will not die when colliding with a monster. And also the player will have infinite bullets in cheat mode (everything else works the same as usual)
- +2 marks Set the opacity of the player to 50%
- +3 marks User can press 'c' to enter cheat mode, which works appropriately. If user presses 'c' in the cheat mode, it will still keep the player in the cheat mode
- +3 marks user can press 'v' to leave cheat mode, which works appropriately. If user presses 'v' outside the cheat mode, then nothing happens
- +4 marks In cheat mode, the player can always jump no matter whether the player is on a platform.

The player can turn on and off cheat mode whenever he/she wants to (i.e. this feature is useful for debugging your game while you build it)

Note that for every cheat mode features, if outside cheat mode still has the same feature, marks for that feature will not be given. E.g. player has infinite bullets no matter inside/outside cheat mode. Then, marks for infinite bullet will not be given.

End of Game 5%

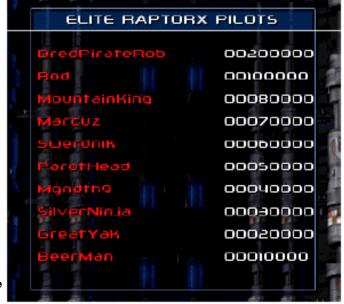
- If the player cannot reach the exit point during the required period of time, or touches a monster, or touches the bullets shot by the special monster, the player will die
 - •+1 mark Appropriate visual impact of the exit point
 - •+2 marks Display player score+name outside the high score table. Player score+name should be saved/updated in the cookies if the player score is high enough
 - •+2 mark Show a 'Start again?' button, if the player clicks on it the game begins again, and the user is asked for his/her name as usual, with the previously entered name used as the default text in the window (i.e. using prompt())

Handling High Score Display 5%

High score table is displayed at the end of the game.

- ► +1 mark Appropriate title is shown above the high score table i.e. 'High Score Table'
- +4 mark Top 10 scores+names from the cookies are shown in descending order, with highest at the top, lowest at the bottom, this will include the player's score if it was high enough. If the current player is within the top 10 scores, mark him/her with a different color

Example high score display from a commercial game



Example High Score Table



HTML5 Canvas

- You are not required to use HTML5 Canvas to finish this assignment but you are welcome to use it if you want to
- We will not provide any materials about HTML5
 Canvas because this is required
- You can get some tutorials about HTML5 Canvas from the following websites
 - https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Guide/HTML/Canvas_tutorial
 - http://www.w3schools.com/html/html5_canvas.asp
 - http://www.sitepoint.com/html5-canvas-tutorial-introduction/

Submission

- Your submission should work fine with the Portable Firefox used in the labs (L:\apps\COMP4021\)
- You need to submit all the used files and sounds
- Please generate a single file using ZIP
- If you want to write any message to the marker, write them in a file called "readme.txt "
- The deadline is July 13 (Fri) 23:59:59