

**Spike:** 15**Title:** Agent Marksmanship**Author:** Luke Valentino, 103024456**Goals / deliverables:**

The goal of this spike is to create an agent targeting simulation with:

- An attacking agent
- A moving target agent
- A selection of weapons that can fire projectiles with different properties.

Be able to demonstrate that the attacking agent can hit the target with different weapon properties:

- Fast moving accurate projectile (Rifle)
- Slow Moving accurate projectile (Rocket)
- Fast Moving low accuracy projectile (Handgun)
- Slow moving low accuracy projectile (Hand Grenade)

**Technologies, Tools, and Resources used:**

List of information needed by someone trying to reproduce this work.

- Swinburne Lecture Materials
- Swinburne Maths and Physics PDF
- Docs.python.org

**Tasks undertaken:**

The key tasks undertaken in this spike were as follows:

- Copy over base code from another task.
- Create an attacking agent subclass:

```
class AttackingAgent(Agent):
    def __init__(self, world=None, scale=30.0, mass=1.0):
        super(AttackingAgent, self).__init__(world, scale, mass, mode='stationary')
        self.color = 'RED'
        self.pos = Vector2D(100,250)

    WEAPON_MODES = {
        KEY.F1: 'rifle',
        KEY.F2: 'rocket',
        KEY.F3: 'pistol',
        KEY.F4: 'grenade',
    }

    def calculate(self, delta):
        mode = self.mode
        if mode == 'stationary':
            force = Vector2D()
        else:
            force = super(AttackingAgent, self).calculate(delta)
        self.force = force
        return force
```

- Update the targetAgent subclass from the imported code to render itself as a circle. You will need to override render for this.

```
- egi.circle(self.pos, self.bRadius)
```

- Add a mode to agent\_modes called stationary.

```
- KEY._1: 'stationary',
```

- Next we want to create our weapons. To do this we need to create a base weapons class and then use this to create subclasses.

```
- class Weapon:
-     def __init__(self, owner):
-         self.owner = owner
-
-     def fire(self, target_pos):
-         raise NotImplementedError("This method should be overridden by
- subclasses")
```

- o Here are our subclasses.

```
- class Rifle(Weapon):
-     def fire(self, target_pos):
-         return Projectile(self.owner.pos, target_pos, speed=500,
- accuracy=0.99)
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- class Rocket(Weapon):
-     def fire(self, target_pos):
-         return Projectile(self.owner.pos, target_pos, speed=200,
- accuracy=0.80)
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- class Pistol(Weapon):
-     def fire(self, target_pos):
-         return Projectile(self.owner.pos, target_pos, speed=450,
- accuracy=0.25)
-
- class Grenade(Weapon):
-     def fire(self, target_pos):
-         return Projectile(self.owner.pos, target_pos, speed=130,
- accuracy=0.1)
```

- Now that we have created our weapons, we need to create our projectile that will fire from the weapons.

```
class Projectile:
    def __init__(self, start_pos, target, speed, accuracy):
        self.pos = start_pos.copy()
        self.target = target
        self.speed = speed
        self.accuracy = accuracy
        self.vel = self.calculate_velocity(start_pos, target, speed,
accuracy)

    def calculate_velocity(self, start_pos, target, speed, accuracy):
        target_pos = self.predict_target(start_pos, target)
        desired_velocity = (target_pos - start_pos).normalise() * speed
        if accuracy < 1.0:
            # apply inaccuracy
            max_deviation = (1 - accuracy) * radians(15) # Max deviation
            deviation_angle = uniform(-max_deviation, max_deviation)
            cos_angle = cos(deviation_angle)
            sin_angle = sin(deviation_angle)
            # Rotate the desired_velocity by the deviation_angle
            rotated_velocity = Vector2D(
                desired_velocity.x * cos_angle - desired_velocity.y *
sin_angle,
                desired_velocity.x * sin_angle + desired_velocity.y *
cos_angle
            )
            return rotated_velocity.normalise() * speed
        return desired_velocity

    def predict_target(self, start_pos, target):
        to_target = target.pos - start_pos
        target_speed = target.vel.length()
        closing_speed = self.speed - target_speed
        if closing_speed != 0:
            time_to_target = to_target.length() / closing_speed
            return target.pos + target.vel * time_to_target
        else:
            return target.pos

    def update(self, delta):
        self.pos += self.vel * delta

    def render(self):
        egi.set_pen_color(name='WHITE')
        egi.circle(self.pos, 2)
```

- This projectile class contains two important functions. The first is `calculate_velocity`. This uses the attributes of the weapon to determine the speed and direction of the projectile.
- The other important method is `predict_target`. This method is responsible for making sure the bullet hits a moving target.
- Now we can update our attacking agent class to be able to switch and shoot the weapons.

```
def select_weapon(self, weapon_mode):
    if weapon_mode == 'rifle':
        self.current_weapon = Rifle(self)
    elif weapon_mode == 'rocket':
        self.current_weapon = Rocket(self)
    elif weapon_mode == 'pistol':
        self.current_weapon = Pistol(self)
    elif weapon_mode == 'grenade':
        self.current_weapon = Grenade(self)

def fire_weapon(self, target_pos):
    projectile = self.current_weapon.fire(target_pos)
    self.projectiles.append(projectile)

def update(self, delta):
    # use inherited update + addon
    super().update(delta)
    for projectile in self.projectiles:
        projectile.update(delta)

def render(self):
    # use inherited render + addon
    super().render()
    for projectile in self.projectiles:
        projectile.render()
```

- We also need to make sure it can store its own weapon and its own list of projectiles.

```
-         self.current_weapon = Rifle(self)
-         self.projectiles = []
```

- Now that our agent can use a weapon to shoot projectiles at a target, we need to update our target to detect when it is hit.
  - First let's add some new methods.

```
- def update(self, delta):
-     super().update(delta)
```

```
-     self.check_collision()
-     if self.hit_timer > 0:
-         self.hit_timer -= delta
-         if self.hit_timer <= 0:
-             self.hit_timer = 0 # stops the timer from being negative
-
-     def check_collision(self):
-         for projectile in self.world.attackingAgent.projectiles:
-             if (self.pos - projectile.pos).length() < self.radius:
-                 self.handle_hit(projectile)
-
-     def handle_hit(self, projectile):
-         # remove the projectile
-         self.world.attackingAgent.projectiles.remove(projectile)
-         print("Hit detected!")
-         # set hit timer
-         self.hit_timer = self.hit_duration
```

- Then let's update the render method to show when we are hit.

```
current_color = self.hit_color if self.hit_timer > 0 else self.color

egi.set_pen_color(name=current_color)
egi.circle(self.pos, self.bRadius)
```

### What we found out:

In this spike I successfully implemented an agent marksmanship simulation where an attacking agent can shoot at a moving target using different weapons.

### Controls:

Key F1 = Rifle  
Key F2 = Rocket  
Key F3 = Pistol  
Key F4 = Grenade  
Key SPACE = Shoot Projectile

## Key Outcomes:

AttackingAgent: Created an AttackingAgent that can cycle through multiple weapons and shoot the target, even if it is moving.

TargetAgent: Created a TargetAgent that has hit detection for projectiles.

Weapons: Created a modular weapons system that allows for easy addition of new weapons.

This spike relates to multiple ULO's:

ULO 1: Discuss and implement software development techniques to support the creation of AI behaviour in Games.

ULO 2: Understand and utilise a variety of graph and path planning techniques.

ULO 3: Create realistic movement for agents using steering force models.

ULO 4: Create agents that are capable of planning actions in order to achieve goals.

ULO 5: Combine AI techniques to create more advanced game AI.