

Code Refactoring for Carrot Defense

—— FINAL PRESENTATION

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PART 1 Project Introduction

Overview and Objective

Carrot Defense is a classic tower defense game where players strategically build and upgrade towers to protect the carrot from enemy waves.

Through code refactoring, the game's logic is optimized for better reusability, maintainability, and scalability, enhancing the overall player experience.

Implemented Features

Feature Module	Subfeatures	Feature Module	Subfeatures
Basic Functions		Advanced Features	Enemy Creation
Diverse Tower Functions	Build Tower, Delete Tower, Two-level Tower Upgrades	Special Attack Mode	Turret Special Abilities, Activate Special Abilities
Special Effects Display	Tower Attack Effects, Monster Hit Effects	Upgrade Effect Enhancement	Unlock New Effects on Upgrade
Economy System	Earn Gold by Defeating Monsters, Spend Gold to Build and Upgrade Turrets	Flexible Game Flow	Restart During Gameplay, Exit and Select Level
Monsters and Maps	Three Types of Monsters, Two Maps		
Health and Background Music	Display Carrot Health, Background Music		
Save Function	Save Game Progress		

PART 1

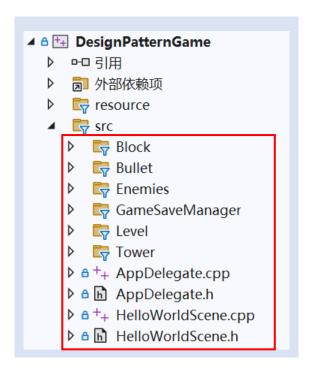
Motivation for Refactoring



- Code Structure Chaos
- Poor Scalability
- Performance Bottlenecks
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- Improve Code Maintainability and Readability
- Optimize Performance
- Enhance Flexibility and Scalability
- Improve User Experience
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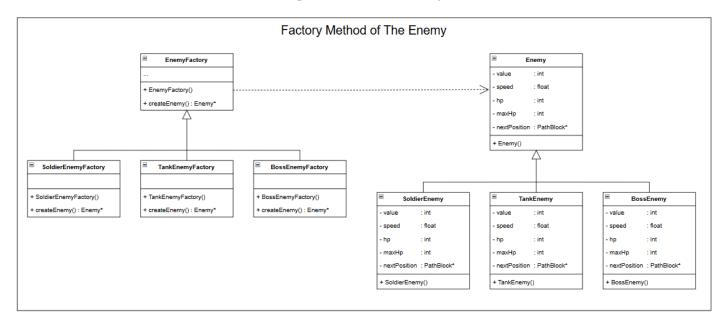
PART 2 Design Patterns in Refactoring

Design Patterns Overview

Number	Name	Type	Brief Description
1	Factory Method	Creational Patterns	Enemy Creation
2	Singleton	Creational Patterns	Singleton of EnemyNotifyManager
3	Flyweight	Structural Patterns	Bullet Texture Sharing
4	Decorator	Structural Patterns	Bullet attack mode expansion
5	Observer	Behavioral Patterns	Enemies' subscription and tower's update
6	Template Method	Behavioral Patterns	Level Initialization Process
7	Object Pool	Others	Bullet Object Pool

Design Patterns in Refactoring—Factory Pattern

Class diagram of Factory Pattern



Restructure File Structure



Original File Structure



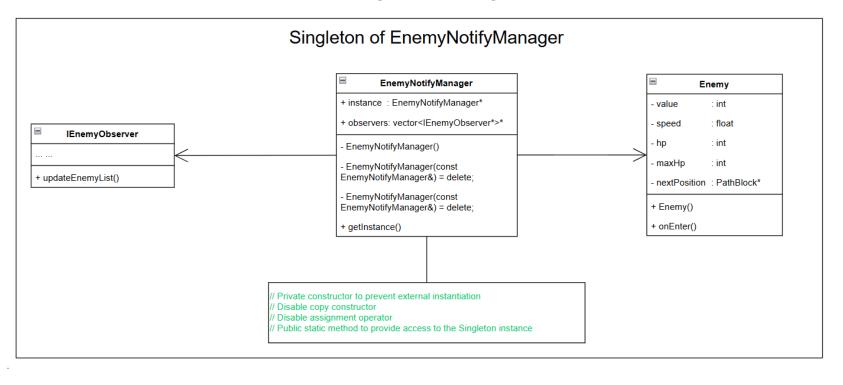
Reasons:

- Clear code structure
- Enhanced scalability
- Ease of management and maintenance
- Reduced code duplication

- Decouples creation and usage
- Improves code reusability
- Adheres to design principles
- Easily extends new features
- Enhances code readability

Design Patterns in Refactoring——Singleton

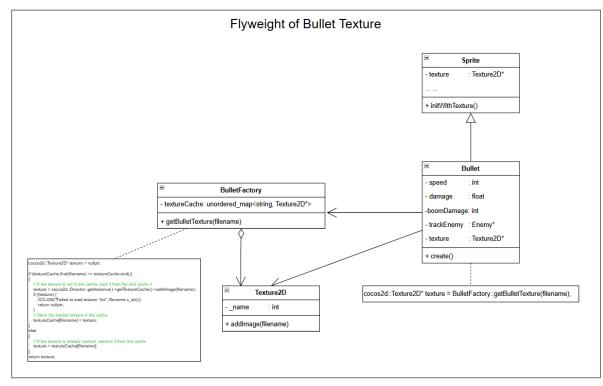
Class diagram of Singleton



- Avoiding Duplicate Notifications
 The Singleton pattern ensures a single
 instance of EnemyNotifyManager, preventing
 monsters from notifying the Tower multiple
 times, thus improving efficiency.
- Centralized Notification Management
 With the Singleton pattern, all
 notifications are managed by one instance,
 simplifying code maintenance and expansion.

PART 2 Design Patterns in Refactoring——Flyweight

Class diagram of Flyweight

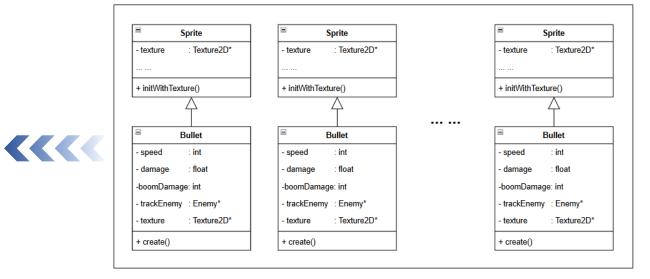


Reasons:

- High memory usage
- Low texture loading efficiency
- Disorganized resource management

Original Structure

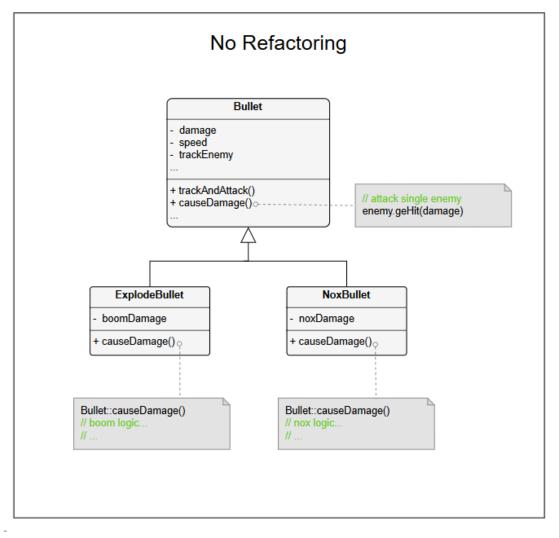
Each time a bullet is created, a texture image that takes up a large amount of space is saved.



- Reduces memory consumption
- Improves loading efficiency
- Supports high-concurrency scenarios
- Facilitates resource management

Design Patterns in Refactoring——Decorator

Original Structure



Issues or Reason for Refactoring

Rigid Structure:

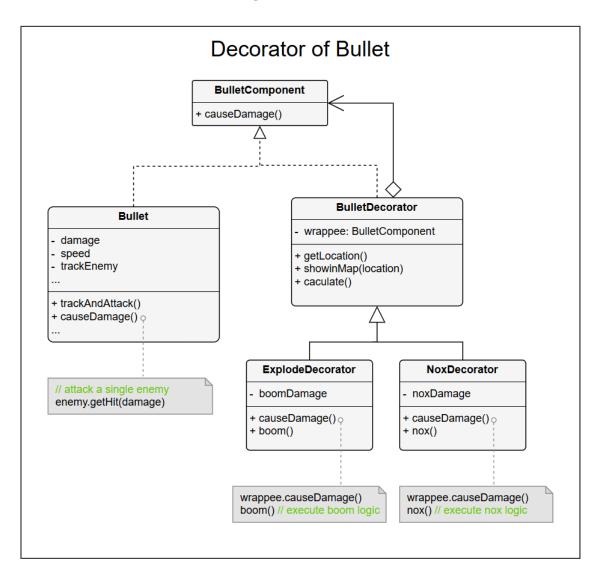
If new attack types or combinations (e.g., an explosive bullet with poison damage) need to be implemented, the system requires the creation of new subclasses for each combination. This results in a proliferation of subclasses, making the system harder to manage and extend.

Limited Flexibility:

Inheritance tightly couples behaviors to specific subclasses, making it difficult to dynamically change or combine behaviors during runtime.

Design Patterns in Refactoring——Decorator

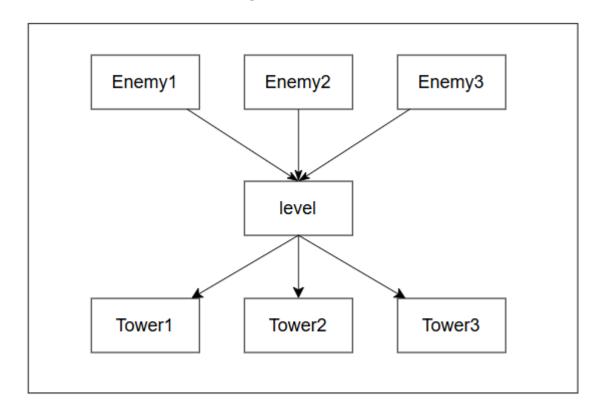
Class diagram of Decorator



- Flexibility: Dynamically add or combine features (e.g., explosion, toxic damage) without changing existing code.
- Extensibility: Add new functionalities via decorators without modifying the Bullet class.
- Open/Closed Principle: Extend behavior without altering existing code.
- Code Reuse: Reusable decorators reduce duplication and enhance maintainability.

Design Patterns in Refactoring——Observer

Original Structure



Original Logic for Tower to Obtain Enemies

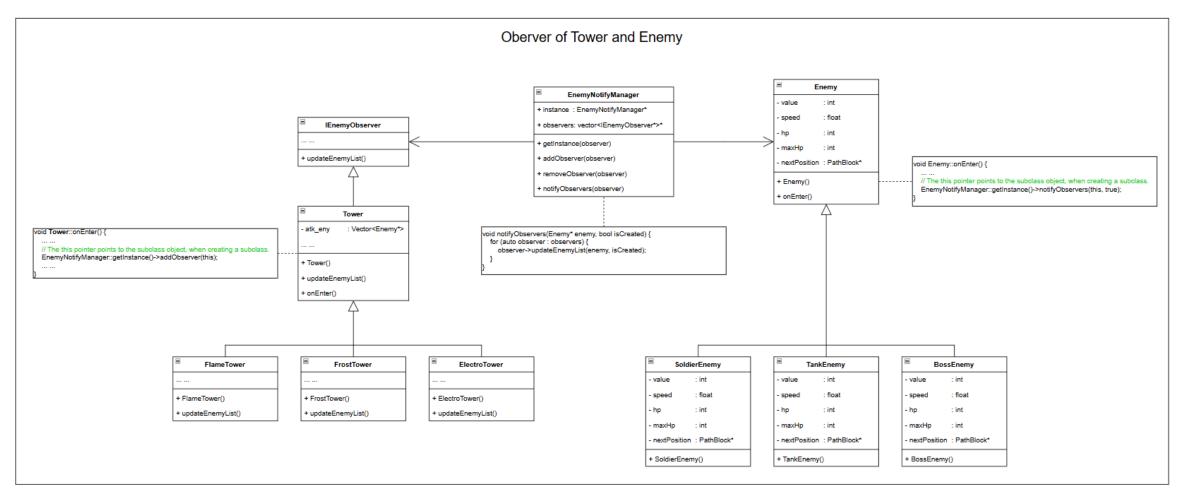
- The enemies of each wave are stored in the level.
- The tower obtains the enemies of each wave by iteration, regardless of whether the enemy has appeared or is already dead.

Disadvantages:

- Resource Waste
- High Coupling
- Poor Scalability

PART 2 Design Patterns in Refactoring—Observer

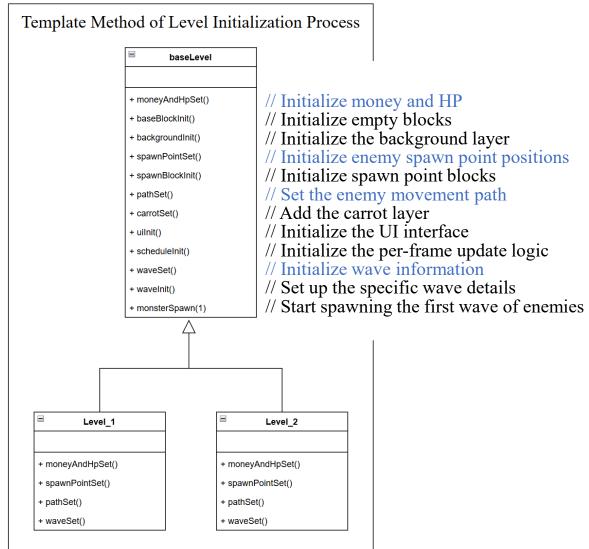
Class diagram of Observer



Benefits: Improved Efficiency; Reduced Coupling; Cleaner Logic;

Design Patterns in Refactoring ——Template Method

Class diagram of Template Method



Reasons:

Reduce Code Duplication. Common logic like backgroundInit() and uiInit() can be centralized in the parent class, avoiding repetitive code in subclasses.

Improve Maintainability. Changes to shared logic only need to be made in the parent class, reducing errors and effort.

Enhance Code Extensibility. Adding new levels only requires overriding specific methods without redesigning the entire process.

Benefits:

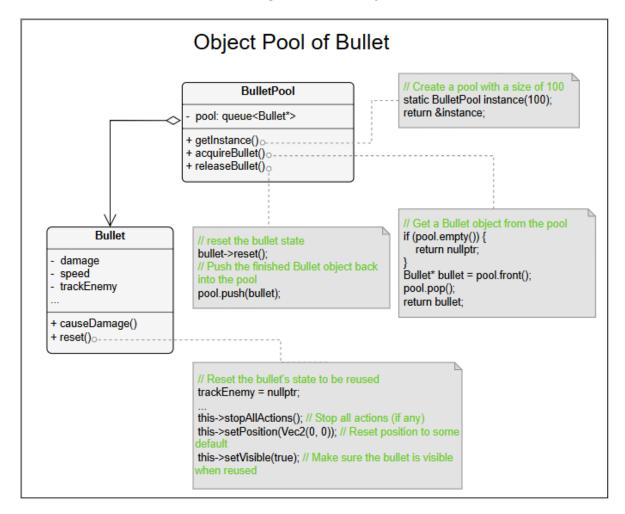
Higher Reusability. Common logic is reused directly in subclasses, with only unique parts needing overrides.

Easier Feature Expansion. Adding steps like soundInit() only requires updates in the parent class.

Consistency. Ensures all levels follow the same initialization flow, avoiding discrepancies.

Design Patterns in Refactoring—Object Pool

Class diagram of Object Pool



The Way to Create Bullets

Before

```
// Create a new Bullet
Bullet* bullet = Bullet::create("nox.png");
...
// Bullet destruction
bullet->removeFromParent()
```

Benefits:

- Performance Boost
- Resource Efficiency
- Memory Leak Prevention
- Enhanced Game Efficiency



After

```
// Create a new Bullet
Bullet* bullet = BulletPool::getInstance()->acquireBullet();
...
// Bullet destruction
BulletPool::getInstance()->releaseBullet(bullet);
```

Key Issues and Solutions in Refactoring

1 Class Hierarchy Rigidity

Issue: Over-reliance on inheritance caused a bloated and inflexible class structure.

Solution: Used Decorator Pattern to dynamically add or combine behaviors, reducing class complexity and improving scalability.

2 High Coupling

Issue: Tight coupling between components like Tower and Enemy.

Solution: Applied Observer Pattern to decouple and improve modularity.



Chaotic Logic

Issue: Scattered and unmanageable level initialization logic.

Solution: Centralized common logic with Template Method Pattern, allowing customization through overrides.

Open/Closed Principle Violation

Issue: Adding new behaviors required modifying existing classes.

Solution: Used Strategy and Decorator Patterns to add functionality without altering existing code.

