For our group project, we propose to implement a 2D Roguelike game. In the following paragraphes of our proposal, we will explain what a 2D Roguelike game is, how we intend on working on it, and why it makes a good object-oriented project.

A Rougelike game is modelled after the 1980 game Rogue. A Roguelike has the player taking control of their main character. The player guides their character through a dungeon as seen through top down 2D perspective. The character may encounter enemies and other obstacles. They may use power ups or other items available in the dungeon. Most commonly sprite graphics are used to depict the character, enemies, and everything else in the game. This helps to capture the retro feel and user experience.

For our project, we will use Unity and C# to implement the game from the Unity intermediate-level tutorial exactly so we will have a working product. https://unity3d.com/learn/tutorials/projects/2d-roguelike-tutorial

Then we add ghost enemies (they possess the character and forcibly move them away wasting player's turns) and invincibility power up (10 turn immunity to enemies) objects. This will be an extension to add extra objects. Then we refactor the game away from level progression towards screen based generated map exploration. This should be a refactor because we need to allow the player to return to the previous map square they just exited. Then we work from there time permitting.

This is a good object-oriented project because the tutorial takes advantage of many object-oriented programming paradigms. They create an abstract class MovingObject which is the class of the main character and enemy classes. This is an example of the Dependency Inversion Principle. Our extensions to the tutorial game will make use of the Open-Close Principle. Finally, our refactor towards the screen based generated map exploration will rely on good coupling to minimize the number of classes necessary to change. --Tyler



Using the tutorial as a starting point isn't a bad idea. I think we are supposed to do a refactor at some point in the project anyway. The ghost and shield ideas aren't bad either.

Vote for your preference

I think we already decided to stick with 2D, instead of Iso 3D or plane-locked 3D, so here are some other decisions we should make early on.

Navigation Style:

Scrolling (like Duke Nukem or Diablo): Josh

Screen based (like Rogue Legacy or Legend of Zelda): Tyler, John

Camera View:

Side View (like Super Mario Brothers or Rogue Legacy): Top View (like Legend of Zelda or tutorial): Josh, Tyler, John

Pace:

Turn Based (like tutorial): Tyler, John

Real-Time (like Mario/Rogue Legacy): Josh

Era:

Sci-Fi:

Fantasy: Josh, Tyler, John

Level Creation:

Pre-built (Legend of Zelda, Mario): Tyler Generated (Rogue Legacy): Josh, John