TANK DEFENDER

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Abstract

This report outlines the development of *Tank Defender*, a 2D shooting game in which the player controls a tank to shoot at enemy suicide tanks, including light and heavy types. Inspired by classic arcade shooter games, the project aims to recreate fast-paced, engaging action within a simple framework. The game features real-time keyboard input, enemy generation, collision detection, and a scoring system, all implemented using C++ and Windows console functions. Through this project, the team gained practical experience in game logic design, user interaction, and managing gameplay flow in a low-graphics environment.

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Introduction

The development of Tank Defender was undertaken as a practical project to explore the fundamentals of game design and real-time user interaction using C++. The game Tank Defender is an adaptation of several games that have similar patterns. Our game resembles a console version of a classic vertical scrolling tank defense shooter, with inspiration from *Space Invaders* and *Battle City*.

In this game, the player's main objective is to survive as long as possible by shooting down enemy tanks while avoiding incoming enemy tanks. The player earns points based on the number of enemy tanks destroyed. The game includes a health point system, starting with 100 points, which decreases each time the player is hit by enemy fire. The game ends when the player's health reaches zero.

The purpose of developing this game is to help us understand the implementation of core programming concepts in C++, such as keyboard input handling, screen rendering, enemy generation, and collision detection. It also gave us hands-on experience with structuring game logic, managing real-time gameplay elements, and improving console-based user interaction.

Through this report, we will discuss the techniques used in developing the game, provide a user guide on how to play, reflect on the challenges we faced during development, and suggest possible future improvements.

Technical documentation

Libraries used

```
#include <iostream>
#include <conio.h>
#include <windows.h>
```

- iostream: Used for input and output operations.
- conio.h: Handles keyboard input with getch() and kbhit() functions.
- windows.h: Provides access to Windows API for cursor positioning, console manipulation, and sleep control.

Global Constants

```
#define screen_width 95 // Width of the console screen
#define screen_height 30 // Height of the console screen
#define playspace_width 70 // Width of the game play space

Enemy enemies[MAX_ENEMIES]; // Array to hold enemies

Bullet playerBullets[MAX_BULLETS]; // Support multiple bullets
const int MAX_ROAD_ROWS = screen_height - 2;
char roadPattern[MAX_ROAD_ROWS]; // stores line pattern per row

const int patternDurationFrames = 15; // Number of frames a pattern runs (~1.5 seconds if Sleep(100))
const int totalPatterns = 3; // number of patterns you have
```

- screen width, screen height: Define dimensions of the game screen.
- playspace width: Width of the active gameplay area.
- MAX ENEMIES: Maximum number of enemy vehicles active on screen at once.
- MAX_BULLETS: Maximum number of bullets the player can shoot simultaneously.
- MAX ROAD ROWS: Rows used for moving road animation.
- patternDurationFrames, totalPatterns: Constants used to control road line pattern switching.

Global Variables

```
int status =1 ; // Variable to control the game loop
int tankPos=playspace width/2; // Variable to keep track of the tank position
char tank[4][7] = {
   {' ', ' ', ' ', char(219), ' ', ' ', ' '},
{' ', ' ', char(219), char(219), char(219), ' ', ' '},
                                                             // Top cannon
    {char(219), char(219), char(219), char(219), char(219), char(219)}, // Body
    {char(219), '', char(219), '', char(219), '', char(219)} // Wheels
}; // shape of the tank
int score = 0; // Variable to keep track of the score
float Health = 100.0; // Variable to keep track of the number of lives
const int MAX_ENEMIES = 3; // Maximum number of enemies
const int MAX_BULLETS = 5; // Maximum number of bullets
struct Enemy {
   int x;
    int y;
    bool isActive;
    char type; // 'L' = Light, 'H' = heavy
    int health; // track how many hits it can take
};
Enemy enemies [MAX_ENEMIES]; // Array to hold enemies
char roadPattern[MAX_ROAD_ROWS]; // stores line pattern per row
// For controlling pattern switching timing
int bulletBuffer =0:
bool isReloading = false;
int reloadCounter = rp; // means that wait for rp/10 seconds to reload
```

- HANDLE console, COORD CursorPosition: Used to control cursor movement and visibility in the console.
- int tankPos: Current X-position of the player's tank.
- float Health: Tracks the player's remaining health.
- int score: Stores the player's score.
- Enemy enemies[MAX_ENEMIES]: Stores enemy attributes like position, type (light or heavy), health, and status.
- Bullet playerBullets[MAX BULLETS]: Manages the player's active bullets.
- char tank[4][7]: 2D ASCII art representation of the player's tank.
- char roadPattern[MAX ROAD ROWS]: Stores patterns for animated road lines.
- int bulletBuffer, isReloading, reloadCounter: Manage bullet firing and gun reload cooldown.

Key Functions

- main() The entry point of the game. Displays the welcome screen and navigates the main menu.
- welcome() Displays animated intro message and waits for player input.
- menuDisplay() Displays main menu and returns user's choice.
- play() Main game loop handling gameplay mechanics.
- CursorLocation(x, y) Moves the console cursor to a given X and Y coordinate.
- cursorInvisible() Hides the blinking console cursor for a cleaner look.
- drawBorder() Draws the outer game screen boundary and the side panel separator.
- genarateEnemy(e) Spawns enemy tanks at random positions.
- driveEnemy(n) Moves enemy tanks downward and draws them based on type.
- shootBullet() Fires a bullet from the tank position.
- pullBullets() Updates and renders active bullets on screen.
- bulletHit() Detects and handles collision between bullets and enemies.
- collision() Checks whether any enemy has collided with the tank.
- killEnemy(i) Removes an enemy from screen and deactivates it.
- updateScore() Updates the score display.
- disSidepannel() Shows score, health, reload bar, and control instructions.
- drawRoadLines() Displays moving road lines to simulate motion.
- instructions() Displays game story, mission brief, enemy types, and controls.
- LevelSelection() Placeholder function showing upcoming level selection feature.
- gameOver() Displays game over screen and final score.

User Guide

The purpose of this game is to obtain the highest points by destroying the enemy tanks while not getting hit by them.

- 1) Open screen
 - Once you run the provided executable file, you will be directed to the opening screen.
 - Press any key to continue on to the main menu.



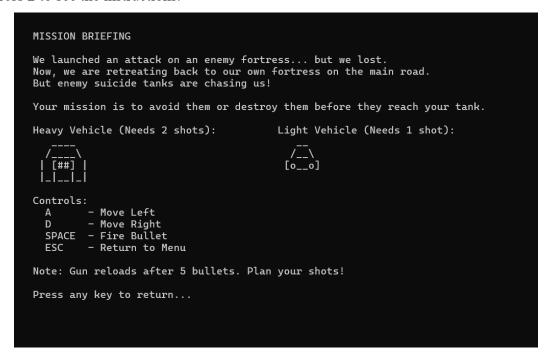
2) Main menu

```
TANK DEFENDER

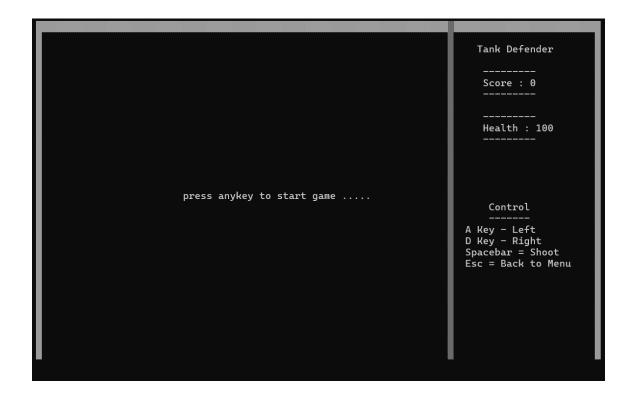
1. Start Game
2. Instructions
3. Levels

4. Exit
Select an option:
```

• Press 2 to see the instructions.



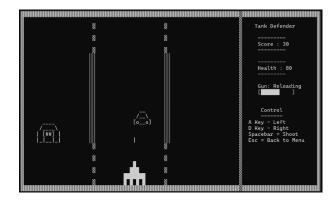
- Press any key to return back to the main menu.
- Press 1 to start the game.



3) How to play

- You can start playing by initially pressing any key.
- Use A and D keys to control your tank and the space bar to shoot.
- You need one shot for light enemy tanks and 2 shots for heavy enemy tanks. Your gun will reload after five shots.
- You will earn 10 points for each enemy tank.
- Your health will decrease by 20 for being hit by a heavy tank and by 30 for being hit by a light tank.
- If the health hits 0, the game is over; otherwise, you can continue scoring.





4) Exiting the game

- Press Esc to go back to main menu.
- Select 4 to exit.

Challenges

- Managing real-time input and rendering in a console environment:
 Handling simultaneous input and display updates in a text-based interface without freezing or blocking user actions.
- Ensuring smooth animation without flickering or lag:
 Redrawing moving objects like tanks and bullets without leaving visual trails or causing screen jitter.
- Handling multiple enemies and bullets simultaneously:
 Tracking and updating the state of several active enemies and bullets in real-time without conflicts or memory issues.
- Implementing collision detection with limited console graphics:
 Designing effective collision logic using only character positions and ASCII art shapes.
- Balancing game difficulty with reload mechanics and enemy health:
 Creating fair gameplay by adjusting how fast players can shoot and how tough enemies are to defeat.
- Synchronizing frame rate and game speed using Sleep():
 Controlling the pace of the game to make it playable and consistent, regardless of system speed.

Future enhancements and improvements

• Add multiple difficulty levels with different enemy types and speeds:

Allow players to choose between easy, medium, or hard modes, each with unique pacing and enemy behavior.

• Introduce new enemy types: drones, landmines, and rewards:

Add more variety and challenge with flying drones, ground hazards, and collectible bonuses to make gameplay richer.

• Implement sound effects for shooting and explosions:

Use basic system beeps or external libraries to give audio feedback for key events like firing or taking damage.

• Add high score saving and leaderboard:

Store player scores in a file and display a leaderboard to encourage competition and replayability.

• Enhance graphics with color and better ASCII art:

Use SetConsoleTextAttribute() to add color to tanks, bullets, and enemies, making the game visually more engaging.

Add multiplayer or networked gameplay:

Introduce a two-player mode or networked version where players can compete or cooperate.

• Optimize code for cross-platform compatibility beyond Windows:

Replace Windows-specific libraries like windows.h and conio.h with more portable alternatives to support Linux and macOS.

Conclusion

The development process of *Tank Defender* has been a valuable learning experience in applying C++ programming to a real-world project. It allowed us to deepen our understanding of game logic, user interaction, and the structure of console-based games. Throughout the project, we encountered challenges that helped improve our problem-solving skills, from managing real-time input and rendering to handling enemy logic and collision detection. This project not only enhanced our technical knowledge but also taught us the importance of teamwork, organization, and iterative development in software projects.

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Appendix A : Game Access (GitHub QR code)

To view and download the full Tank Defender game project, you can scan the below QR code.



Appendix B: Full Game Source Code

```
#include <iostream>
#include <conio.h>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
#define screen width 95 // Width of the console screen
#define screen height 30 // Height of the console screen
#define playspace width 70 // Width of the game play space
int status =1; // Variable to control the game loop
int tankPos=playspace width/2; // Variable to keep track of the tank position
char tank[4][7] = {
  {'', '', '', char(219), '', '', ''},
  {'', '', char(219), char(219), '', ''}, // Top cannon
  {char(219), char(219), char(219), char(219), char(219), char(219), char(219)}, // Body
  {char(219), '', char(219), '', char(219), '', char(219)} // Wheels
}; // shape of the tank
```

```
int score = 0; // Variable to keep track of the score
float Health = 100.0; // Variable to keep track of the number of lives
const int MAX ENEMIES = 3; // Maximum number of enemies
const int MAX BULLETS = 5; // Maximum number of bullets
struct Enemy {
  int x;
  int y;
  bool isActive;
  char type; // 'L' = light, 'H' = heavy
  int health; // track how many hits it can take
};
Enemy enemies[MAX ENEMIES]; // Array to hold enemies
struct Bullet {
  int x;
  int y;
  bool isActive;
}; // struct for bullets to sve x,y and status of the bullet
```

Bullet playerBullets[MAX BULLETS]; // Support multiple bullets

```
const int MAX_ROAD_ROWS = screen height - 2; // Maximum number of rows for road lines
char roadPattern[MAX ROAD ROWS]; // stores line pattern per row
// For controlling pattern switching timing
static int roadFrameCounter = 0; // counts frames for movement
static int patternFrameCounter = 0; // counts frames for pattern duration
static int currentPattern = 0; // index of current road pattern
const int patternDurationFrames = 15; // Number of frames a pattern runs (~1.5 seconds if
Sleep(100))
const int totalPatterns = 3; // number of patterns you have
int rp = 50; // reload time in frames (100ms each frame, so 5 seconds total)
int bulletBuffer =0;
bool isReloading = false;
int reloadCounter = rp; // means that wait for rp/10 seconds to reload
HANDLE console=GetStdHandle(STD OUTPUT HANDLE); // variable used to make changes
to the console
COORD CursorPosition; // variable used to change cursor position in the console according to x
and y coordinates
void welcome(); // Function for the welcome scree
void CursorLocation(int, int); // Function for setting cursor position
void cursorInvisible(); // Function for making the cursor invisible
```

char menuDisplay(); // Function for displaying the menu void play(); // Function for starting the game void drawBorder(); // Function for drawing the border of the game void worktoInput(int); // Function for handling user input void genarateEnemy(int e); // Function for generating enemies void updateScore(); // Function for updating the score void disSidepannel(); // Function for displaying the side panel void driveTank(); // Function for driving the tank int collision(); // Function for checking collisions void driveEnemy(int n); // Function for driving the enemy int bulletHit(); // Function for checking if a bullet has hit an enemy void shootBullet(); // Function for shooting bullets void pullBullets(); // Function for pulling bullets void gameOver(); // Function for handling game over void killEnemy(int i); // Function for killing an enemy void drawRoadLines(); // Function for drawing road lines void instructions(); // Function for displaying instructions void LevelSelection(); // Function for level selection

int main (){

system("mode con: cols=96 lines=31"); // Set console size

```
cursorInvisible(); // make curser invissible for better expearience
welcome(); // Call the welcome function
Sleep(1000); // Wait for 1 second
system("cls"); // Clear the console
while (status) {
 char option = menuDisplay() ; // Call the menu display function
  if (option == '1') {
     play(); // Call the play function
  else if (option == '2') {
     instructions(); // call the instructions function
  }
  else if (option == '3') {
     LevelSelection(); // comming soon call the level selection function
  }
  else if (option == '4') {
     status = 0; // Exit the loop and end the program
  }
  else {
     system("cls"); // Clear the console
```

```
CursorLocation(30, 10);
       cout << "Invalid option! Please try again." << endl;</pre>
     }
  }
}
void welcome() {
  system("cls");
  CursorLocation(40, 10); // set cursor position to (40, 12)
  cout << "TANK DEFENDER" << endl;</pre>
  Sleep(200);
  CursorLocation(35, 15);
  cout << "Created by: "; // animation effect for starting the game
  Sleep(200);
  cout << "G";
  Sleep(200);
  cout << "R";
  Sleep(200);
  cout << "O";
  Sleep(200);
```

```
cout << "U";
Sleep(200);
cout << "P";
Sleep(200);
cout << " ";
Sleep(200);
cout << "1";
Sleep(200);
cout << "3";
Sleep(200);
cout << " \ " \ ;
Sleep(100);
cout << ".";
Sleep(100);
cout << "." << endl;
```

```
Sleep(500);
  CursorLocation(35, 20);
  cout << "Press any key to continue..." << endl;</pre>
  getch(); // Wait for a key press
  system("cls"); // Clear the console
}
void CursorLocation(int x, int y){
                         CursorPosition.X=x; // Set the X coordinate
                         CursorPosition.Y=y; // Set the Y coordinate
                         SetConsoleCursorPosition(console, CursorPosition); // Set the cursor
position in the console
}
void cursorInvisible(){
                         CONSOLE CURSOR INFO lpCursor; // Create a console cursor info
structure
                         lpCursor.bVisible=0; // Set the cursor visibility to false
                         lpCursor.dwSize=20; // Set the cursor size
                         SetConsoleCursorInfo(console, &lpCursor); // Set the cursor info in the
console
}
```

```
char menuDisplay() {
  system("cls");
  CursorLocation(30, 10);
  cout << "TANK DEFENDER" << endl;</pre>
  CursorLocation(30, 12);
  cout << "1. Start Game" << endl;</pre>
  CursorLocation(30, 13);
  cout << "2. Instructions" << endl;</pre>
  CursorLocation(30, 14);
  cout << "3. Levels " << endl;
  CursorLocation(30, 16);
  cout << "4. Exit" << endl;
  CursorLocation(30, 18);
  cout << "Select an option: ";</pre>
  char choice; // create a variable to store the user's choice
  CursorLocation(50, 18); // Set cursor position for input
  cin >> choice;
  return choice; // Return the selected option
}
```

```
void play(){
  system("cls"); // Clear screen at game start
  bulletBuffer =0; // Reset bullet buffer
  isReloading = false; // Reset reloading status
  reloadCounter = rp; // means that wait for rp/10 seconds to reload
  for (int i = 0; i < MAX BULLETS; i++) { // Initialize player bullets
  playerBullets[i].isActive = false;
  tankPos = playspace width / 2 - 2; // Reset tank position
  // Initialize first two enemies
  enemies [0]. x = 10; // Initial X position for first enemy
  enemies [0]. y = 4; // Initial Y position for first enemy
  enemies[0].isActive = true; // Set first enemy as active
  enemies[0].type = 'L'; // Light enemy
  enemies[1].x = 30;
  enemies[1].y = 4;
  enemies[1].isActive = true;
  enemies[1].type = 'H'; // Heavy enemy
  // Optional: deactivate the rest
```

```
for (int i = 2; i < MAX ENEMIES; i++) {
   enemies[i].isActive = false;
}
for (int i = 0; i < MAX BULLETS; i++) { // no b ullets at start
playerBullets[i].isActive = false;
// Initialize road line patterns to empty
for (int i = 0; i < MAX_ROAD_ROWS; i++) {
  roadPattern[i] = ' '; // Start with no road lines
}
drawBorder(); // Draw the game border
genarateEnemy(0); // Generate first enemy
genarateEnemy(1); // Generate second enemy
genarateEnemy(2); // Generate third enemy
updateScore(); // Update the score display
disSidepannel(); // Display the side panel
CursorLocation(25,15);
cout<<"press anykey to start game .....";</pre>
getch(); // Wait for a key press
CursorLocation(25,15);
cout<<"
                             "; // Clear the line
```

}

int prevTankPos = tankPos; // Store the previous tank position for clearing while (true){ drawRoadLines(); if (_kbhit()) { // Check if a key is pressed char key = _getch(); // Get the pressed key if(key == 27) { // If the key is ESC if (score > 0) { gameOver(); // Call the game over function } break; // Exit the game loop } else { worktoInput(key); // Call the function to handle input } } // Clear the tank from the old position for (int i = 0; i < 4; i++) {

for (int j = 0; j < 7; j++) {

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CursorLocation(prevTankPos + i, screen height - 5 + i);
     cout << ' ';
  }
}
driveTank(); // Call the function to drive the tank
prevTankPos = tankPos; // Update previous position tracker
disSidepannel(); // Call the function to display the side panel
driveEnemy(0); // Call the function to drive the first enemy
driveEnemy(1); // Call the function to drive the second enemy
driveEnemy(2); // Call the function to drive the third enemy
pullBullets(); // Call the function to pull bullets
                      if(collision()==1){
                                    gameOver(); // ends the game when all 3 lifes are lost
                                    return;
                            }
if(bulletHit()==1){ // 1 is returned to the condtion if a bullet has hit any of the enemy crafts
                                    updateScore(); // updates the score
                            }
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < MAX\_ENEMIES; i++) {
    if (!enemies[i].isActive) {
       genarateEnemy(i); // Bring back the enemy
     }
  }
  if (isReloading) {
     reloadCounter--; // Decrease reload counter
  if (reloadCounter <= 0) {
     isReloading = false; // Reset reloading status
    bulletBuffer = 0; // Reset bullet buffer
  }
}
Sleep(100);
}
void drawBorder(){
                        char ch=178; // assigns the character with ASCII value 176 to variable
ch
```

```
// draws the lower border
                      for(int i=0; i<=screen_width; i++){
                           CursorLocation(i, screen height);
                           cout << ch;
                      }
// draws the upper border
for(int i=0; i<=screen width; i++){
  CursorLocation(i, 0);
  cout << ch;
}
                      // draws the right and left border
                      for(int i=0; i<screen_height;i++){</pre>
                           CursorLocation(0, i);
                            cout << ch;
                           CursorLocation(screen width, i);
                           cout << ch;
                      }
                      ch = 177;
```

```
// draws the border which seperates the game-play space and
instructions/score panel
                         for(int i=0; i<screen height; i++){
                              CursorLocation(playspace width, i);
                              cout << ch;
                         }
}
void genarateEnemy(int e) {
  bool positionValid = false; // Flag to check if position is valid
  int attempts = 0; // Limit attempts to find a valid position
  while (!positionValid && attempts < 20) {
     int newX = 3 + \text{rand}() \% (playspace width - 10); // Random X position
     positionValid = true;
    // Check for overlap with other enemies
     for (int i = 0; i < MAX ENEMIES; i++) {
       if (i != e && enemies[i].isActive) {
          if (abs(enemies[i].x - newX) < 10)  { // If too close
            positionValid = false; // Mark position as invalid
            break; // Exit the loop if overlap found
          }
```

```
}
     }
     if (positionValid) {
       enemies[e].x = \text{new}X; // Set new X position
       enemies[e].y = 4; // Reset Y position
       enemies[e].isActive = true; // Activate the enemy
       // Randomly assign type
       enemies[e].type = (rand() % 2 == 0) ? 'L' : 'H'; // Light or Heavy
       enemies[e].health = (enemies[e].type == 'L') ? 1 : 2; // \delta\ddot{Y}'; Light = 1 hit, Heavy = 2 hits
     }
     attempts++;
  }
  // If failed to find a valid position after many tries, deactivate
  if (!positionValid) {
     enemies[e].isActive = false;
  }
}
```

```
void updateScore(){
                        CursorLocation(playspace_width+6, 5); // x-
coordinate=playspace width+6 and y-coordinate=5
                        cout << "Score : " << score << endl; // displays score</pre>
}
void disSidepannel() {
                        CursorLocation(playspace width+5, 2);
                        cout << "Tank Defender";</pre>
                        CursorLocation(playspace width+6, 4);
                        cout << "-----";
                        CursorLocation(playspace width+6, 6);
                        cout << "-----";
                        CursorLocation(playspace_width+6, 8);
                        cout << "-----";
                        CursorLocation(playspace_width+6, 9);
                        cout << "Health : " << Health << endl; // displays lives left
                        CursorLocation(playspace width+6, 10);
                        cout << "-----";
```

```
CursorLocation(playspace width+6, 12);
cout << "Gun: Reloading ";</pre>
// Progress bar based on reloadCounter
int totalSteps = 10; // Total "fill" slots
int progress = totalSteps - reloadCounter; // e.g., if reloadCounter = 7 â†' progress = 3
if (progress < 0) progress = 0; // safety
if (progress > totalSteps) progress = totalSteps; //
string bar = "["; // animation effect for showing the progress of reloading
for (int i = 0; i < totalSteps; i++) {
  if (i < progress)
     bar += char(219); // solid block
  else
     bar += ' ';
}
bar += "]";
CursorLocation(playspace width+6, 13);
cout << bar << " ";
```

}

```
CursorLocation(playspace width+7, 16);
                         cout << "Control";</pre>
                         CursorLocation(playspace width+7, 17);
                         cout << "-----";
                        CursorLocation(playspace width+2, 18);
                         cout << " A Key - Left";
                         CursorLocation(playspace_width+2, 19);
                         cout << " D Key - Right";</pre>
                         CursorLocation(playspace width+2, 20);
                         cout << " Spacebar = Shoot";</pre>
  CursorLocation(playspace_width+2, 21);
                         cout << " Esc = Back to Menu";</pre>
}
void worktoInput(int w){
  switch (w) {
     case 'a':
     case 'A':
       if (tankPos > 1) {
          tankPos-=2;
       }
```

```
break;
     case 'd':
     case 'D':
        if (tankPos < playspace_width - 7) {</pre>
          tankPos+=2;
        }
        break;
     case ' ': // Shoot bullet
        shootBullet();
        break;
     default:
        break;
  }
void driveTank() {
  for (int i = 0; i < 4; i++){
     for (int j = 0; j < 7; j++) {
        CursorLocation(tankPos + j, screen\_height - 5 + i);
        cout << tank[i][j]; // Draw the tank</pre>
```

}

```
}
}
void driveEnemy(int n) {
  if (!enemies[n].isActive) {// If enemy is not active, skip
    return;
  }
  // Clear previous enemy frame (width: 7 or more)
  for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++) {
    CursorLocation(enemies[n].x, enemies[n].y + i);
                  "; // Clear 8 characters width
    cout << "
  }
  // Move enemy downward
  enemies[n].y++;
  // Stop if out of bounds
  if (enemies[n].y + 4 >= screen height - 1) {
    enemies[n].isActive = false;
    return;
  }
```

```
// Draw based on type
if (enemies[n].type == 'L') {
  // Light Vehicle
  CursorLocation(enemies[n].x, enemies[n].y);
  cout << " __";
  CursorLocation(enemies[n].x, enemies[n].y + 1);
  cout << " /_\\";
  CursorLocation(enemies[n].x, enemies[n].y + 2);
  cout << "[o_o]";
} else {
  // Heavy Vehicle
  CursorLocation(enemies[n].x, enemies[n].y);
  cout << " ____";
  CursorLocation(enemies[n].x, enemies[n].y + 1);
  cout << " /___\\";
  CursorLocation(enemies[n].x, enemies[n].y+2);
  cout << "| ["; // animation effect for showing health of heavy enemeies
  if (enemies[n].health == 2) cout << "##";
  else if (enemies[n].health == 1) cout << "#";
  else cout << " ";
  cout << "] |";
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CursorLocation(enemies[n].x, enemies[n].y + 3);
    cout << "|_|_|_|";
  }
}
int collision() {
  for (int i = 0; i < MAX ENEMIES; i++) {
    if (!enemies[i].isActive){
       continue;
     }
     // If enemy has reached the tank area (bottom rows)
     if (enemies[i].y + 3 >= screen_height - 4) { // Adjust based on your tank's height
       // Check horizontal overlap with tank position
       if (enemies[i].x + 6 \ge tankPos \&\& enemies[i].x \le tankPos + 6) {
          // Apply damage based on enemy type
         if (enemies[i].type == 'L') {
            Health -= 30.0;
          } else if (enemies[i].type == 'H') {
            Health -= 20.0;
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}
          killEnemy(i); // Call the function to kill the enemy
         // Mark this enemy as deactivated after collision
         enemies[i].isActive = false;
         // Update health display
         CursorLocation(playspace_width + 6, 9);
         cout << "Health: " << (Health < 0 ? 0 : Health) << " ";
         // Check for game over
         if (Health \leq 0.0) {
            return 1; // Game over
          }
  return 0; // No game over
}
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system("cls"); // Clear the console
  CursorLocation(30, 10); // Set cursor position for game over message
  cout << "Game Over!" << endl;</pre>
  CursorLocation(30, 12);
  cout << "Your final score: " << score << endl;</pre>
  CursorLocation(30, 14);
  cout << "Press any key to return to the menu..." << endl;
  _getch(); // Wait for a key press
 // status = 0; // Exit the game loop
int bulletHit() {
  for (int b = 0; b < MAX BULLETS; b++) { // Loop through all bullets
     if (!playerBullets[b].isActive)
       continue;
     int bulletX = playerBullets[b].x;
     int bulletY = playerBullets[b].y;
     for (int i = 0; i < MAX ENEMIES; i++) {
       if (!enemies[i].isActive)
          continue;
```

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int ex = enemies[i].x;
int ey = enemies[i].y;
int width = (enemies[i].type == 'L') ? 6 : 8;
int height = (enemies[i].type == 'L') ? 3 : 4;
if (bulletX \geq= ex && bulletX \leq= ex + width &&
  bulletY >= ey && bulletY <= ey + height) {
  // Bullet hits enemy
  // Clear the bullet from screen
  CursorLocation(bulletX, bulletY);
  cout << '*'; // Mini explosion animation
  Sleep(30); // Small delay to show explosion
  CursorLocation(bulletX, bulletY);
  cout << ' ';
  playerBullets[b].isActive = false;
  enemies[i].health--; // Decrease enemy health
  if (enemies[i].health <= 0) {
     killEnemy(i);
     score += 10;
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}
          return 1; // Hit detected
       }
  }
  return 0; // No hit
}
void shootBullet() {
  if (isReloading) return; // Stop if reloading
  for (int i = 0; i < MAX_BULLETS; i++) {
    if (!playerBullets[i].isActive) {
       playerBullets[i].x = tankPos + 3;
       playerBullets[i].y = screen height - 2;
       playerBullets[i].isActive = true;
       bulletBuffer++;
       if (bulletBuffer >= 5) { // Allow 5 shots max
          isReloading = true;
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reloadCounter = 10; // wait ~1 second (10 frames * 100ms)
       }
       break;
}
void pullBullets() {
  for (int i = 0; i < MAX BULLETS; i++) {
     if (playerBullets[i].isActive) {
       // Clear previous
       CursorLocation(playerBullets[i].x, playerBullets[i].y);
       cout << ' ';
       playerBullets[i].y--; // this is to move the bullet upward
       if (playerBullets[i].y < 1) {
          playerBullets[i].isActive = false; // this is to check if the bullet is out of bounds ( if yes
bullet is deactivated )
       } else {
          CursorLocation(playerBullets[i].x, playerBullets[i].y);
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cout << '|'; // Draw the bullet
       }
void killEnemy(int i) {
  if (!enemies[i].isActive) // If enemy is already inactive no need to kill it again
     return;
  int ex = enemies[i].x;
  int ey = enemies[i].y;
   // this height annd width variables used to store height and width of the enemy crafts
  // light = 6 width and 3 height
  // heavy = 8 width and 4 height
  int height = (enemies[i].type == 'L') ? 3 : 4;
  int width = (enemies[i].type == 'L')? 6:8;
  for (int j = 0; j < height; j++) {
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CursorLocation(ex, ey + j);
     for (int k = 0; k < width; k++) {
       cout << ' ';
     }
  }
  enemies[i].isActive = false;
}
void drawRoadLines() {
  static int roadLinePattern = 0; // Current pattern
  static int frameCount = 0; // For timing
  static const int switchPatternFrames = 15; // Change pattern every ~1.5 seconds
  static int linePositions[screen height] = { 0 }; // Holds line types per row
  // Shift all lines down (simulate movement upward)
  for (int i = screen\_height - 2; i > 1; i--) {
     linePositions[i] = linePositions[i - 1];
  }
  // Generate new top line based on current pattern
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```
switch (roadLinePattern) {
  case 0: // Single dashed line
     linePositions[1] = (frameCount \% 2 == 0) ? 1 : 0;
     break;
  case 1: // Double lines
     linePositions[1] = 2;
     break;
}
// Draw lines
for (int i = 1; i < screen height - 1; i++) {
  // Clear all road lane positions
  for (int offset = -1; offset <= 1; offset++) {
     CursorLocation(playspace width / 3 + offset, i); cout << ' ';
     CursorLocation(2 * playspace width / 3 + offset, i); cout << '';
     CursorLocation(playspace width / 2 + offset, i); cout << ' ';
   }
  if (linePositions[i] == 1) {
     // single line
     CursorLocation(playspace width / 3, i); cout << char(177);
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CursorLocation(2 * playspace_width / 3, i); cout << char(177);
     } else if (linePositions[i] == 2) {
       // double line
       CursorLocation(playspace width / 3 - 1, i); cout << char(176);
       CursorLocation(playspace width / 3, i); cout << char(176);
       CursorLocation(2 * playspace width / 3, i); cout << char(176);
       CursorLocation(2 * playspace width / 3 + 1, i); cout << char(176);
     } else if (linePositions[i] == 3) {
       CursorLocation(playspace width / 2, i); cout << '.';
     }
  }
  frameCount++;
  if (frameCount % switchPatternFrames == 0) {
    roadLinePattern = (roadLinePattern + 1) % 2; // Switch between 0 and 1
  }
void instructions() {
  system("cls");
  CursorLocation(5, 2);
```

}

```
cout << "MISSION BRIEFING";</pre>
Sleep(200);
CursorLocation(5, 4);
cout << "We launched an attack on an enemy fortress... but we lost.";
Sleep(200);
CursorLocation(5, 5);
cout << "Now, we are retreating back to our own fortress on the main road.";
Sleep(200);
CursorLocation(5, 6);
cout << "But enemy suicide tanks are chasing us!";</pre>
Sleep(200);
CursorLocation(5, 8);
cout << "Your mission is to avoid them or destroy them before they reach your tank.";
Sleep(200);
CursorLocation(5, 10);
cout << "Heavy Vehicle (Needs 2 shots):";</pre>
Sleep(200);
CursorLocation(5, 11);
cout << " ____";
CursorLocation(5, 12);
cout << " /___\\";
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```
CursorLocation(5, 13);
cout << " | [##] |";
CursorLocation(5, 14);
cout << " |_|_|";
Sleep(200);
CursorLocation(45, 10);
cout << "Light Vehicle (Needs 1 shot):";</pre>
Sleep(200);
CursorLocation(45, 11);
cout << " __";
CursorLocation(45, 12);
cout << " /_\\";
CursorLocation(45, 13);
cout << " [o_o]";
Sleep(200);
CursorLocation(5, 16);
cout << "Controls:";</pre>
CursorLocation(5, 17);
cout << " A - Move Left";
CursorLocation(5, 18);
cout << " D - Move Right";</pre>
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CursorLocation(5, 19);
  cout << " SPACE - Fire Bullet";</pre>
  CursorLocation(5, 20);
  cout << " ESC - Return to Menu";</pre>
  CursorLocation(5, 22);
  cout << "Note: Gun reloads after 5 bullets. Plan your shots!";</pre>
  Sleep(200);
  CursorLocation(5, 24);
  cout << "Press any key to return...";</pre>
  getch(); // Wait for a key press
void LevelSelection(){
  system("cls");
  CursorLocation(25, 8);
  cout << "Level Selection (Coming Soon!)" << endl;</pre>
  CursorLocation(25, 12);
```

}

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\label{eq:cout} \mbox{cout} <<\mbox{"This feature will allow you to choose different levels with varying difficulty."} <<\mbox{endl};
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CursorLocation(25, 14);

cout << "In levels there will be shooting enemies, Drones , landmines ,rewards and lot more ..

" << endl;

CursorLocation(25, 16);

cout << "Stay Tuned ... :) " << endl;

CursorLocation(25, 22);

cout << "Press any key to return ...... " << endl;

_getch(); // Wait for a key press
```

// End of the code