

## Game State



### What we did:

- Store the state of a game in a variable.
- Display different information on the screen according to the state of the game.
- Use conditional programming and logical operators to assign different behaviours to the objects in the game depending on the state of the game.

### How we did it:

In a game, there is a change of state like Start, Play and End.

**Step 1:** The first state (Serve state) is when the ball is at the centre and the user needs to press "Space" to serve the ball.

```

1 //create the ball, playerPaddle and computerPaddle as sprite objects
2 var ball = createSprite(200,200,10,10);
3 var playerPaddle = createSprite(380,200,10,70);
4 var computerPaddle = createSprite(10,200,10,70);
5
6 var gameState = "serve";
7
8 function draw() {
9   //clear the screen
10  background("white");
11
12  //place info text in the center
13  if (gameState === "serve") {
14    text("Press Space to Serve",150,180);
15  }
16
17  //make the player paddle move with the mouse's y position
18  playerPaddle.y = World.mouseY;
19
20  //AI for the computer paddle
21  //make it move with the ball's y position
22  computerPaddle.y = ball.y;
23
24  //draw line at the centre
25  for (var i = 0; i < 400; i=i+20) {
26    line(200,i,200,i+10);
27  }
28
29
30  //create edge boundaries
31  //make the ball bounce with the top and the bottom edges

```

**Step 2:** The second state (Play state) is when the play starts, and the ball is in motion.  
 Specific instruction: If the user presses space and the game is in SERVE state, then serve the ball.

```

22 computerPaddle.y = ball.y;
23
24 //draw line at the centre
25 for (var i = 0; i < 400; i=i+20) {
26   line(200,i,200,i+10);
27 }
28
29
30 //create edge boundaries
31 //make the ball bounce with the top and the bottom edges
32 createEdgeSprites();
33 ball.bounceOff(topEdge);
34 ball.bounceOff(bottomEdge);
35 ball.bounceOff(playerPaddle);
36 ball.bounceOff(computerPaddle);
37
38
39 //serve the ball when space is pressed
40 if (keyDown("space") && gameState === "serve") {
41   serve();
42   gameState = "play";
43 }
44
45
46 //reset the ball to the centre if it crosses the screen
47 if(ball.x > 400 || ball.x < 0) {
48   reset();
49 }

```

**Step 3:** Change the GameState variable back to "serve" state inside the condition 'when the ball crosses the screen'.

```

28
29
30 //create edge boundaries
31 //make the ball bounce with the top and the bottom edges
32 createEdgeSprites();
33 ball.bounceOff(topEdge);
34 ball.bounceOff(bottomEdge);
35 ball.bounceOff(playerPaddle);
36 ball.bounceOff(computerPaddle);
37
38
39 //serve the ball when space is pressed
40 if (keyDown("space") && gameState === "serve") {
41   serve();
42   gameState = "play";
43 }
44
45
46 //reset the ball to the centre if it crosses the screen
47 if(ball.x > 400 || ball.x < 0) {
48   reset();
49   gameState = "serve";
50 }
51
52
53 drawSprites();
54 }
55
56 function serve() {
57   ball.velocityX = 2;

```

**Step 4:** Adding a scoring system and the condition to increase the player score when the computer paddle misses hitting the ball.

```

38 createEdgesprites(),
39 ball.bounceOff(topEdge);
40 ball.bounceOff(bottomEdge);
41 ball.bounceOff(playerPaddle);
42 ball.bounceOff(computerPaddle);
43
44
45 //serve the ball when space is pressed
46 if (keyDown("space") && gameState === "serve") {
47     serve();
48     gameState = "play";
49 }
50
51
52 //reset the ball to the centre if it crosses the screen
53 if(ball.x > 400 || ball.x < 0) {
54
55     if (ball.x > 400){
56         computerScore = computerScore + 1;
57     }
58     if (ball.x < 0){
59         playerScore = playerScore + 1;
60     }
61     !
62     reset();
63     gameState = "serve";
64 }

```

**Step 5:** The third state (Game over) is when the player or computer scores 5 points.

```

45 ball.bounceOff(playerPaddle);
46 ball.bounceOff(computerPaddle);
47
48
49 //serve the ball when space is pressed
50 if (keyDown("space") && gameState === "serve") {
51     serve();
52     gameState = "play";
53 }
54
55
56 //reset the ball to the centre if it crosses the screen
57 if(ball.x > 400 || ball.x < 0) {
58
59     if(ball.x > 400) {
60         compScore = compScore + 1;
61     }
62
63     if(ball.x < 0) {
64         playerScore = playerScore + 1;
65     }
66
67     reset();
68     gameState = "serve";
69 }
70
71 if (playerScore === 5 || compScore === 5){
72     gameState = "over";
73     text("Game Over!",170,160);
74     text("Press 'R' to Restart",150,180);
75 }
76
77

```

**Step 6:** The game then ends and the player needs to press "R" to restart the game.

```
66     }
67     reset();
68     gameState = "serve";
69 }
70
71 if (playerScore === 5 || compScore === 5){
72     gameState = "over";
73     text("Game Over!",170,160);
74     text("Press 'R' to Restart",150,180);
75 }
76
77 if (keyDown("r") && gameState === "over") {
78     gameState = "serve";
79     compScore = 0;
80     playerScore = 0;
81 }
82
83 drawSprites();|
84 }
85
86 function serve() {
87     ball.velocityX = 3;
88     ball.velocityY = 4;
89 }
90
91 function reset() {
92     ball.x = 200;
93     ball.y = 200;
94     ball.velocityX = 0;
95     ball.velocityY = 0;
96 }
```

### What's next? :

We are going to add sound and animation to the game.