Lab HomeWorks: Wordle Project

Course: Computational Thinking

I/ System Design:

The project follows a Modular Design separating Game Logic and GUI Logic:

- Source
 - main.py → game logic (backend)
 - wordle_core.py → GUI logic (frontend)
 - allowed.txt \rightarrow allowed guesses
 - $secret.txt \rightarrow secret word list$
- Report.pdf \rightarrow this file
- README.md

File Descriptions:

File	Description
main.py	Implements the Tkinter GUI interface, user input handling, feedback coloring, and new game setup.
wordle_core.py	Defines the WordleGame class that handles word checking, color logic, and game state.
allowed.txt / secret.txt	Contain lists of valid English words
README.md	Explains how to install and run the game locally.

II/ Graphical User Interface (Tkinter)

The game is implemented using the **Tkinter** library — Python's built-in GUI framework.

Interface Elements:

- **Title Label:** "WORDLE GAME" at the top.
- **5×6 Grid:** Each square displays a guessed letter.
- Menu Bar: Allows player to start a new game or exit.

- Message Label: Displays feedback (win/lose/error).
- **Keyboard Input:** Player types letters directly via the keyboard.

Key Functions Explained:

1) show_message(text, color="black", duration=2000)

Purpose:

Displays a temporary message below the game board (e.g. "X Word not allowed!" or " YOU WIN!").

How it works:

- Updates the text and color of the message_label.
- If the message is not a win/loss, it automatically disappears after the specified duration (using root.after()).

Concepts used:

- Tkinter Label widget for display.
- Event scheduling via after() for timed message clearing.

2) colorize_row(row, feedback)

Purpose:

Colors each of the 5 cells in the given row according to the feedback from WordleGame.check guess().

Logic:

- or "G" \rightarrow Green (#6aaa64)
- or "Y" \rightarrow Yellow (#c9b458)
- or "_" \rightarrow Gray (#787c7e)

Concepts used:

Dynamic GUI updates by calling .config(bg=..., fg=...) on Tkinter labels.

3) start_new_game()

Purpose:

Resets all game states and starts a new Wordle session.

Steps performed:

- 1. Creates a new WordleGame object (from wordle core.py).
- 2. Randomly selects a secret word from secrets.
- 3. Clears the letter grid and message label.
- 4. Rebinds keyboard input events.

Concepts used:

- OOP: class instantiation (WordleGame).
- GUI state management (resetting widgets).
- Randomization (random.choice()).

4) on_key_press(event)

Purpose:

Handles user keyboard input in real time.

Behavior:

- Letter keys (A–Z): add letters to current guess.
- Backspace: delete the last letter.
- Enter: submit the guess and get color feedback.

Validation rules:

- Reject repeated guesses.
- Reject words not found in allowed.txt.

• End the game if the player wins or uses all 6 attempts.

Concepts used:

- Event-driven programming (root.bind("<Key>", ...))
- String handling and validation
- Conditional control flow for gameplay logic

5) GUI Setup (Tkinter)

Elements used:

- Tk() main window \rightarrow root
- Frame \rightarrow container for the grid
- Label \rightarrow each letter cell
- Menu \rightarrow Reset / Exit options
- bind() → capture keyboard events

The GUI uses a 6×5 grid layout with dynamic color updates and centered messages.

III/ Core Algorithm - Check Guess Logic

The function check_guess() in wordle_core.py performs a two-pass validation algorithm:

- 1st pass: Mark correct positions (green)

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for i in range(self.word_length):
if guess[i] == secret[i]:
    result[i] = " " "
    used[i] = True
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- 2nd pass: Mark correct letters in wrong position (yellow)

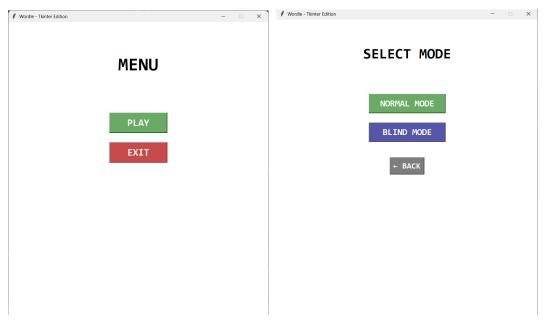
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for i in range(self.word_length):
if result[i] == """ ":
    continue
for j in range(self.word_length):
    if not used[j] and guess[i] == secret[j]:
        result[i] = """ "
        used[j] = True
        break
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IV/ Demo Clip I

24127183_Demo_WordleGame.mp4

V/ New update:

1/ New UI:



- Create Menu UI with Play and Exit button:
- Play: it will lead us to the "Select Mode" screen and we will have 2 modes: Normal and Blind Mode.
- Exit: out the game.

• In each mode we will have an "i" button to describe the game's rule.



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GAME RULES

NORMAL MODE:

- You get color feedback after each guess.
- [Green] Correct letter in the correct position.
- [Yellow] Correct letter, wrong position.
- [Gray] Letter not in the word.
- You have 6 attempts to guess the secret word.

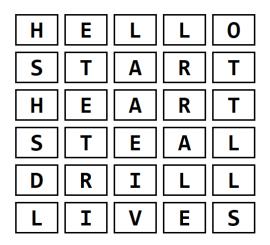
BLIND MODE:

- You do NOT get color feedback after each guess.
- All feedback will be revealed only after all 6 attempts are used.
- Plan your guesses carefully; memory and deduction are key.
- You win if you guess the word before your 6th attempt.

Press ← Back to return to your game.

← BACK

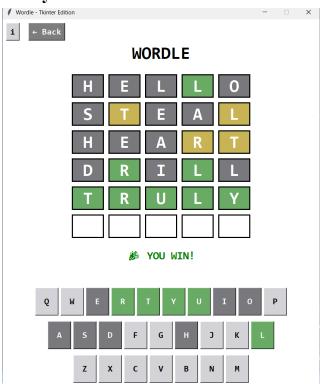
2/ New Mode Game - Blind Mode: WORDLE



Rules:

- You do NOT get color feedback after each guess.
- All feedback will be revealed only after all 6 attempts are used.
- Plan your guesses carefully; memory and deduction are key.
- You win if you guess the word before your 6th attempt.

3/ Keyboard under Wordle Grid



- The keyboard records which letters the player has already used and updates their colors based on their positions in the guessed words on the grid.

VI/ Demo Clip II

24127183_Demo2_WordleGame.mp4