Exercise 4

For this assignment, you will play with a simple 2D game based on <u>Boom Blox</u> (predecessor to *Angry Birds*). In the game, you use the mouse to pull back a ball in an invisible slingshot on the lefthand side of the screen. When you let go of it, it flies toward the blocks on the right. You score points for the blocks you knock to the ground. If you want to play a completed version of the game, download one of the solution versions from Canvas. They're just binary versions, not source, so you can't copy code from them. But they'll let you see what the game is supposed to be like.

ProjectileThrower.cs

Begin by reading the code and familiarizing yourself with its operation

- Implement the procedure WaitingForPhysicsToSettle() so that it returns true if there is any RigidBody2D that is on screen and awake (in the physics sense).
- Modify Update() so that it reloads the level if the projectile has been fired (firingState is at Firing
 or beyond) and we aren't waiting for physics to settle.
- Modify Update() so it will also reload the level if the player presses the escape key.

TargetBox.cs

Again, begin by familiarizing yourself the with the code.

- Write an OnCollisionEnter2D method to call the Scored() procedure when the box hits the ground (the ground object is tagged with the tag "Ground").
- Now write the Scored() procedure. It should turn the target box green (set the color field of the
 game object's sprite renderer to green, and call ScoreKeeper.AddToScore(float), passing it the
 mass of this targetbox as an argument (so heavier things are worth more.

Important: Scored() should only call AddToScore() once, when that particular TargetBox first hits the ground. If it bounces and hits the ground repeatedly, the player should still only get points once, when that box first hits the ground.

Making an exploding box

Now make a box that explodes if the projectile hits it. There is a second prefab, in addition to TargetBox, called ExplosiveBox. It contains:

- A BoxCollider and SpriteRenderer as usual
- A PointEffector2D to generate a repulsive force when the box detonates
- A circular trigger collider to work with the PointEffector2D. When the point effector activates, all objects in the trigger area are delivered a large repulsive force.
- A Bomb component that you need to fill in.

Go to the Bomb.cs file. Add:

- A method, let's call it Destruct() that destroys the box.
- A method, let's call it Boom(), that makes the box blow up by:
 - Turning on the PointEffector2D (set its enabled field to true)
 - Turning off the box's SpriteRenderer (so you can't see the box part anymore)
 - - this will create a little explosion animation where the box used to be, but will make it be a child of the box's parent, so that when the box goes away, it doesn't take the explosion with it.
 - o Schedules a call to Destruct() to occur in 0.1 seconds. You can do that using Invoke.
 - The net effect of this will be to run the point effector for 0.1 seconds, while replacing the box with an explosion animation.
- An OnCollisionEnter2D() method that calls Boom() when an object hits the box with a velocity of
 at least ThresholdForce. You can get the velocity of the collision from the argument to
 OnCollisionEnter2D. The idea is that you only want the box to explode if it's hit hard enough.
 We're using the velocity as a proxy for how hard the object is hit.

Making a new level

Now make at least one new level. Experiment with different designs, and feel free to change parameters such as the mass of the projectile, or the strength of gravity. You do not need to make more than one level, but at least one level should include one of your exploding boxes.

Try to make it engaging; remember that your classmates will be playing it!

Turning it in

Important: you need to turn in the whole project, but not Unity's internal files, which are huge. Points may be deducted and/or canvas may reject your submission if you include the internal files.

- Start by making a copy of your assignment directory
- Now delete everything from the copy except the Assets and Project Settings directories. Don't worry about including the packages directory; it won't hurt but it doesn't seem to be necessary.
- Now make a zip file of what remains of the copy.
- Upload your zip file to Canvas

Credits

The toon explosion animation is thanks to Red Shark Game Studio.