Ping - Compulsory Assignment #1



The greatest Halloween themed pong inspired game ever.

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# Introduction

The scariest day of the year is coming and that is why we have been working so hard on bringing Halloween themed pong. In our newly created game, you will experience how it is to be a bat that needs to defend moving bones and get the highest possible level. Our game has everything that every successful game should have such as health bar, level progression or possibly to beat your previous highest level.

Our focus regarding the code was on low coupling and high cohesion. We have used many helper classes for example for managing the sound or controlling the gif image and different Enums to control the stage of the whole game. In many cases we had to deal with the use of same classes and that is why we have tried to write the classes generic as possible to understand and reuse the code for the future.

# Functionality

Game start with the opening screen where the player is given certain instructions.

Player can control the bat at the bottom of screen with the arrow keys represented as “left” or “right”, when the game starts a pumpkin moves towards the player part of the screen, where the player must move the paddle to bounce the pumping off against randomly moving bone in the upper part of the screen. Self-moving bone platform was made to randomly spawn and move from left border of the playfield to the right. Platform bone that reaches right border is afterwards spawned to another random location starting from the left.

When the bone is hit with the pumpkin, the bones take damage and starts to break, after getting hit three times, it gets destroyed and a new one spawns which restores one extra life for the player. Level and speed of the ball is increased every tenth time that the moving bone is hit. Each time that pumping hits the bottom of the screen player loses one life and if the player life’s reaches zero game ends. Game over screen is displayed afterwards with highest score that the player made and call to action for restarting the game is shown. Each time the game is restarted new game is created again and the player can try to beat their previous highest score. Pong game has different variety of sounds implemented such as gameplay soundtrack, bone cracks or ending sound when the player loses the game.

**Resolution code**

Resolution super class that extends the World and helps contribute to low coupling.Resolution sub classes the IntroWorld and PingWorld (gameField itself)

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**Game state**

Main game state controlled by premade Enums which allowed us to define different stages of the game in the act method.

**Health bar**

Health bar functionality gives the player indication how much life they have left and we solved this implementation with 3 different pictures that updates depending on the player health.

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**3 stages of the bone**

One on the graphical enhancement we included in our game were 3 stages of the bone that brought visual representation of the platform and indicated game progress for the player

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**SoundManager**

Helper class that we created and called SoundManager was a helpful implementation that allowed us to add, update or manipulate sound throughout our code base.

# Internal design

**Version 1.0**

Diagram, engineering drawing

Description automatically generatedFirst version had starting code base where we diagrammed our beginning code and classes that we have used in the program. Whole diagram seemed to be visually overwhelming which we knew in the future will create unstructured representation of the whole diagram.

**Version 2.0 Final**

Review the code and previous UML diagram we have decided to remake our diagram and focus more on fundamentals of Object-Oriented programming and the structure of the diagram itself. Throughout the work on the code base, we made changes that allowed us to lower coupling in some parts and increase cohesion in the whole project.

Diagram, schematic

Description automatically generated

# Evaluation

The main project task was to make the pong game as close as we could to the project given mandatory tasks and practise what we have learned so far at this education. We paid a lot of attention to the project scope and time that was given, and, in that order, we were able to deliver working game with complete design. Regarding the game functionality we would have looked more into making classes more generic, added different levels or store the highest player score that the player can see and compete against other players that will play our game.

For the next time we would use more logical mathematics to calculate different bounce angle when the ball hits the players paddle or the SmoothMover class within the Greenfoot library that works with more precise calculations. We have made the game complete functional and each of us have earned valuable experience whenever it was working in the team or practising Object-Oriented programming in java in the Greenfoot environment.