Rhythm Game Commit Times – Tymoteusz Walichnowski

Commit 1: First Commit

Time spent: 0 mins

Commit 2: Template game setup

Time spent: 2 mins

Commit 3: Added C libs and includes

Time spent: 2 mins

Commit 4: Added basic GUI elements

Time spent: 45 mins

Commit 5: Removed Template Game Assets and changed setup functions

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 6: Added beat object and added author name

Time spent: 45 mins

Commit 7: Added beat movement

Time spent: 3 mins

Commit 8: Added drum hit sound

Time spent: 3 mins

Commit 9: Added player interaction to beat collision

Time spent: 30 mins

Commit 10: Updated score variable name and added sound capability to game

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 11: Added constant tempo hi hat

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 12: Added beat array

Time spent: 30 mins

Commit 13: Worked on timing, good timing and great timing

Time spent: 30 mins

Commit 14: Added 3 extra lines to GUI

Time spent: 3 mins

Commit 15: Added multi line beats

Time spent: 15 mins

Commit 16: Added 4 separate beats and instruments

Time spent: 35 mins

Commit 17: Removed sfml logo variables (added combo variables but forgot to mention)

Time spent: 2 mins

Commit 18: Added combo meter

Time spent: 3 mins

Commit 19: Added missing beats mechanic that resets your combo

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 20: Added hit text object and sprite sheet image

Time spent: 25 mins

Commit 21: Added hit text spawning on miss or hit, currently unfinished

Time spent: 55 mins

Commit 22: Added hit text floating up and disappearing on hit

Time spent: 30 mins

Commit 23: Cleaned up some game code and functions

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 24: Reduced max amount of beat objects to 10

Time spent: 1 min

Commit 25: Added experimental colours, weird visual bug on lines

Time spent: 10 mins

Commit 26: Added beat line colours

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 25: Added hit text transparency going down before disappearing

Time spent: 10 mins

Commit 26: Adjusted hit text spawning

Time spent: 10 mins

Commit 27: Added hit button object, replaces previous hit zones that were in game class

Time spent: 60 mins

Commit 28: Added button animations and name to top of every file

Time spent: 30 mins

Commit 29: Added heat mode, doubles your points and increases speed when you have a

combo going

Time spent: 30 mins

Commit 30: Added heat mode overlay

Time spent: 15 mins

Commit 31: Added start condition

Time spent: 15 mins

Commit 32: Changed beat colours

Time spent: 1 min

Commit 33: Added background

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 34: Updated heat mode overlay

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 35: Added end screen and stats

Time spent: 30 mins

Commit 36: Updated beat line colours

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 37: Added tv object

Time spent: 30 mins

Commit 38: Added to animation support

Time spent: 20 mins

Commit 39: Worked on tv animations

Time spent: 25 mins

Commit 40: Merged tv into main

Time spent: 5 mins

Commit 41: Added audio reactions

Time spent: 50 mins

Commit 42: Replaced synth with drum and did final code cleanup

Time spent: 10 mins

Rhythm Game Reflection

- **Time management:** How much time, how many sessions, split between art/code/design, total vs estimate
 - o I could have managed my time on this project better.
- Work flow: the order in which things were done with dates
 - o 26/02/24 Design Doc started
 - o 01/03/24 Design Doc finished
 - o 04/03/24 Template game started
 - o 08/03/24 Worked on code (basic GUI)
 - o 15/03/24 Worked on code (beat movement)

- 18/03/24 Worked on code (beats and arrays)
- o 19/03/24 Created Score Sprite sheet
- 19/03/24 Worked on code (multi-line support)
- o 20/03/24 Worked on code (combo work)
- o 20/03/24 Created experimental colour branch
- 21/03/24 Created art assets (Hit buttons, heat mode overlay, background, tv)
- 21/03/24 Worked on final coding features (hit text, start/end loop, hit zone class etc.)

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- New Technologies: What new stuff you learned about from other or by yourself
 - I didn't learn many new things about SFML while working on this project.
 Rather, it reinforced what I already knew.
- **Problems encountered:** Planning mistakes, elusive code errors, design re-designs
 - I didn't realise I was supposed to commit my design document, meaning I automatically lost 10% of my mark and was dealt a massive blow to morale (no matter how good it would be it would never be worth 100%).
 - I was struggling getting the x position of the beats at the start, until I realised I
 was trying to get the x position of the beat object, when I should have been
 trying to get the position of the circle shape
 - Similar problem happened with the hit text array, I should have been returning the sprite
 - Having 4 beat lines proved cumbersome, as there was a lot of repetition needed within the code
 - The default constructor was not working on the hit text array, no idea how to fix that but it fixed itself
 - There was a light visual bug on the beat circles when I switched the colours on my home PC (sides seemed to be getting put below beat lines)
 - My game crashed n the higher tempos when attemping to draw the score message
 - I wanted goodbye dialogue but I couldn't get it working no matter how hard I tried due to the manner of the game loop
- Lessons Learned: What you would do different(better) next time
 - I would have managed my time better, as doing projects last-minute is something I struggle with a lot.
 - I'd be more careful around variable types

REMEMBER TO ADD DESIGN DOC OR SOMETHING























