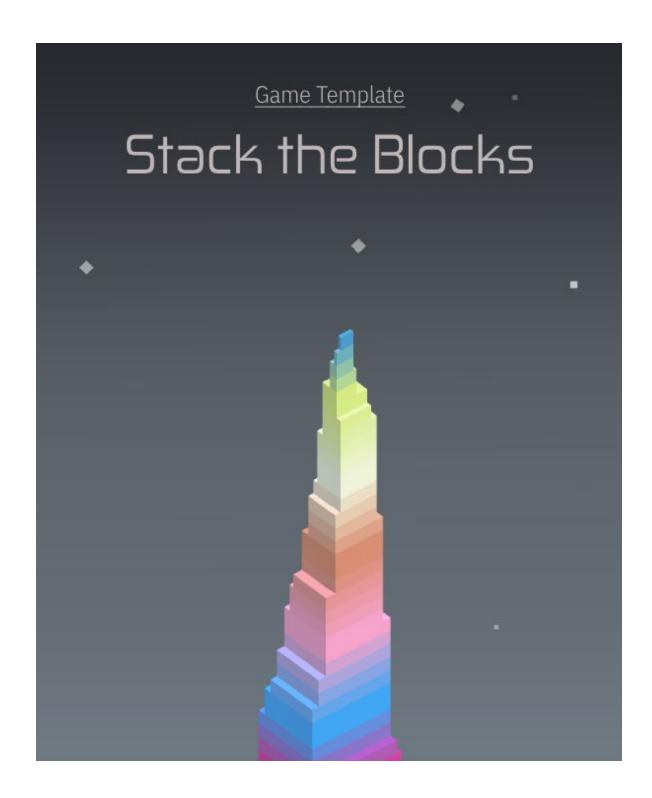
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1.Introduction



The game consists of block moving back and forth on top of another block and Player's goal is to stop the block exactly on top of the underlying block to create a tower of blocks as high as possible. If the incoming block does not overlap with the underlying block at all, it's game over.

If stopped when the block is exactly on top of the other, the block is stacked with exactly the same size as the underlying one. If failed to do so, the part that is left outside of the underlying block will be chopped off and fall down. The next block will be of this new block's size. As a result, the blocks will get smaller increasing the difficulty as the game progresses.

Every stacked block adds to the Player's score. A particular number of scores will give one diamond. Diamonds can be used to buy skins which can be applied to the blocks.

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2. Set-up and Customization

2.1 Setting up AR

The game contains both the **AR** and **non-AR** mode. The AR capability is optional and if not enabled, the game will by default function in non-AR mode and the AR switching button on the home screen will also be disabled.

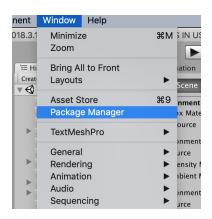
The AR is compatible with devices supporting **ARCore** on Android and **ARkit** on iOS.

Enabling AR capability and switching between AR mode and Normal mode during gameplay must not be confused as one. Enabling AR capability means that the game will support AR. Once it supports AR, player can switch between the two modes i.e AR and non- AR.

To enable AR, it is necessary to import the packages mentioned below from the *Package Manager*. Enable AR without doing so will produce compile errors.

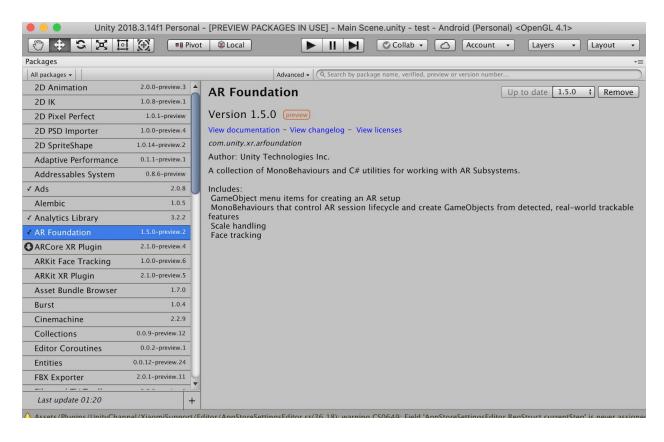
Complete the following Steps to enable AR

Step 1: Go to *Windows* → *Package manager*



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Step 2: Check *show preview packages* from the *advanced* option (2nd option on the menu bar)



Step 3: Import *AR Foundation*. If the platform is Android, import *ARCore XR Plugin*. If on iOS, import *ARkit XR Plugin*

Step 4: After importing all these necessary packages the final step is to enable AR. To enable/disable AR, toggle the *Enable AR* check box on *Game Mode* script which can be found on $Main \rightarrow Game\ Manager\ gameobject$.

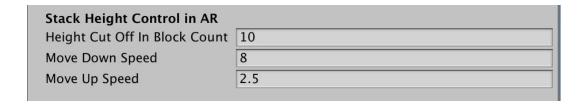
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AR Related tweaks:

AR Scale factor on Game Mode script: Use this to fix the scale for AR content.

Stack Height control: In AR, the stack's height can grow indefinitely and as a result the incoming blocks can be out of the visible range. To avoid this, the stack stops growing after reaching a defined maximum height and reveals the actual height at gameover. These parameters can be tweaked in Gameplay controller:



Height Cut off in Block Count: the max blocks after which stack must not grow

Move down speed: the speed at which stack moves one step down after reaching max height

Move Up Speed: the speed at which stack moves up at gameover to reveal actual height

Please note that these AR packages are under preview (development) and there are some known issues in some areas. Though these are not critical and this project does not use any of those areas. So, The issues can be ignored.

2.2 Setting up Ads

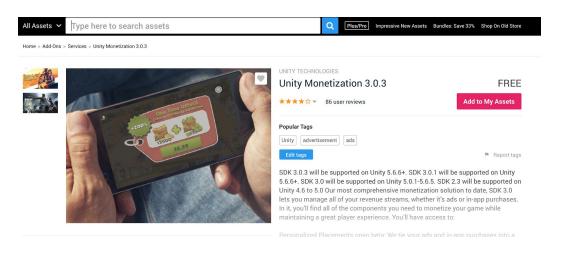
Ads in the project use the new *Unity Monetization* SDK. **DO NOT** Enable Unity Ads via Services Tab.

Follow these steps to enable and use Ads:

Step 1: Switch the platform to Android/iOS



Step 2: Import the Unity Monetization SDK from here

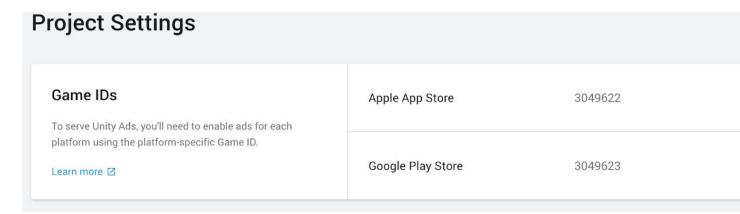


Step 3: Now to get your Ads running, you will need the following:

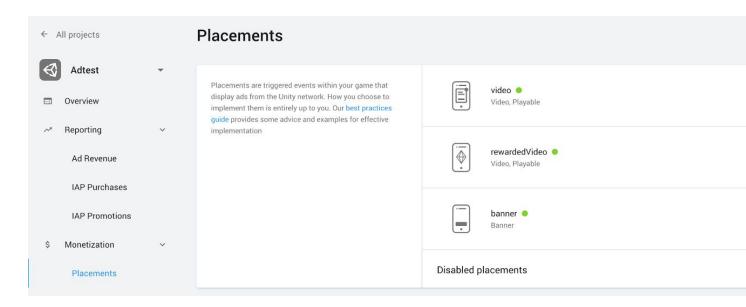
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- Game ids
- Placement ids

Create a project for your game on the *Unity developer dashboard*. Now navigate to the *Operate* tab. Locate *Project settings* under settings from the options on the left side. You can find the IDs here.



Now you will need to create placements which are basically Ad units. Navigate to *Monetization -> placements*. Here you can create the necessary Ad units which are *Display/Interstitial, banner* and *rewarded video* Ad. You may find few placements already created, in which case you can create the remaining ones.

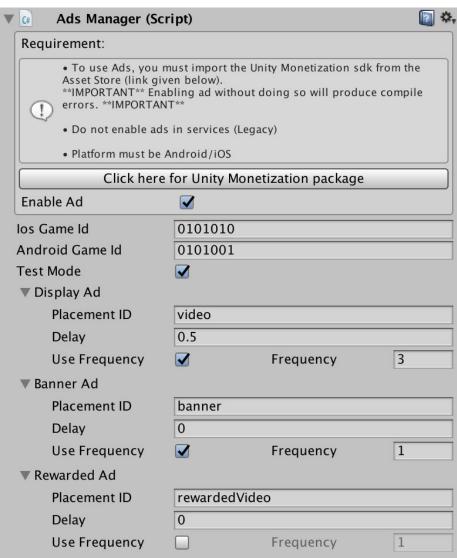


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Once you are done with the above steps, you can enable ads by checking *Enable Ad* in the *AdsManager* script on "Main \rightarrow Ads and IAP" Gameobject.

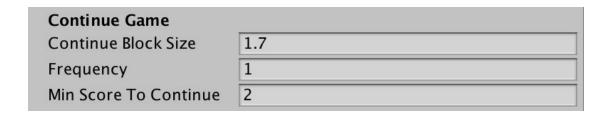
Checking *Enable Ads* adds a preprocessor directive which in turn enables all the SDK dependent code. As a result checking *Enable Ads* without doing so will produce compile errors.

Assign the Game and Placement IDs. The frequency and delay in showing an Ad can be tweaked as desired.



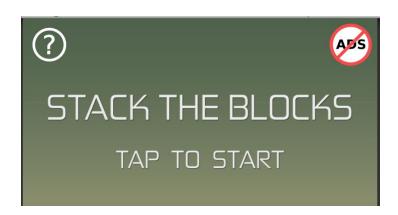
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The frequency of rewarded Ads is decided by *GameplayController* which can be found on *Main --> Gameplay controller* Gameobject.



2.3 Setting up In App Purchase

With IAP, the player gets the ability to disable Ads permanently by making an In - App purchase. The button is available on the top right corner in the home screen as shown in the image below. If you wish to not use this button, you can disable this button manually. Read further if you wish to use IAP.

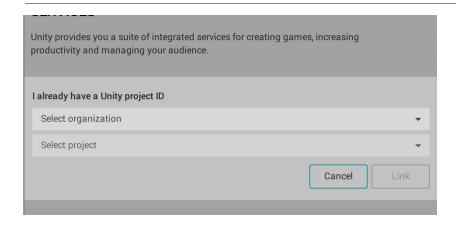


In app purchase in the project is implemented using Unity's IAP and supports **iOS App store** and **Google Play** platform.

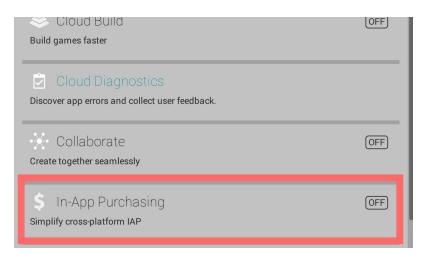
Before you enable IAP, complete the following steps:

Step 1: Link the project through the services window, if not already linked.

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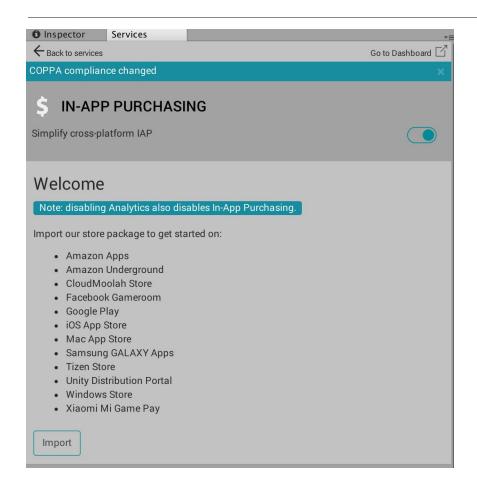


Step 2: Enable IAP through services:



Import the IAP package which will be presented after enabling IAP:

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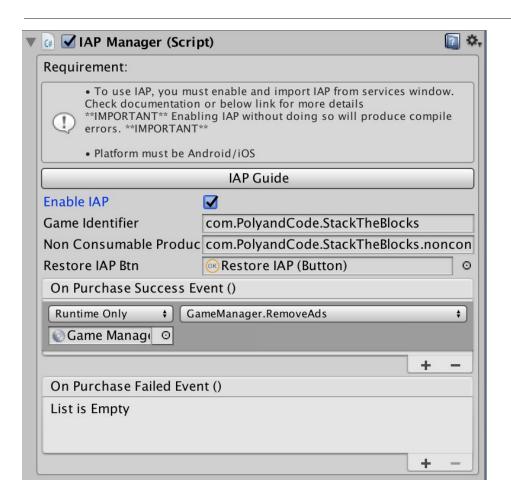
Step 3: Create Product IDs in *iOS App store/ Google Play*. The following links provide detailed tutorials for configuring IAP on the respective store.

https://docs.unity3d.com/Manual/UnityIAPGoogleConfiguration.html https://docs.unity3d.com/Manual/UnityIAPAppleConfiguration.html

Step 4: Once done with the above steps locate IAPManger on $Main \rightarrow Ads$ and IAP Gameobject. Check *Enable IAP* and set the Game identifier and Product ID.

Checking *Enable IAP* adds a preprocessor directive which in turn enables all the SDK dependent code. As a result checking *Enable IAP* without doing so will produce compile errors.

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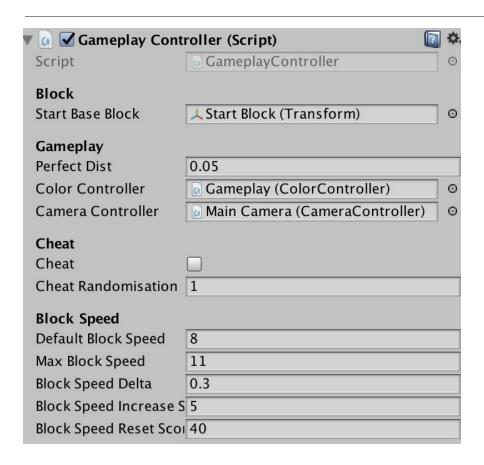


2.4 Tweaking the gameplay

2.4.1 Gameplay Controller

You can find the *Gameplay Controller* on $Main \rightarrow Gameplay$ "GameObject. This script controls the blocks and the respective stacking, chopping etc. Tweak these values according to your liking.

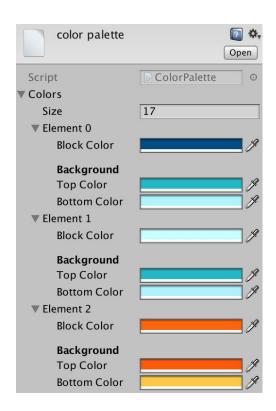
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- Start Base Block: The block from which the game starts.
- *Perfect Dist:* The threshold for a perfect overlap. Higher the value, easier the perfect overlap.
- *Cheat:* Game plays by itself if turned on.
- *Cheat Randomization:* The playing accuracy when *cheat* is on. Smaller the value, better the accuracy.
- Default Block Speed : Default speed of the block when game starts
- Max Block Speed : The Maximum Block Speed
- Block Speed Delta: Block speed increases by this value
- Block Speed Increase Score: Block speed increases every this score
- Block Speed Reset Score: Block speed resets to default value every this score

2.4.2 Color Palette

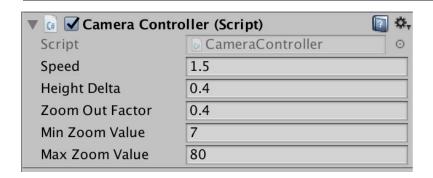
This is a *Scriptable Object* asset containing a list of colors which are applied to the block and background during the gameplay. Each item is a set of block color and the corresponding top and bottom color for the background. You can create a new asset by going to *Assets* \rightarrow *Create* \rightarrow *Stack the blocks* \rightarrow *Color Palette* or you can edit the already created list located at the *SO Assets* folder.



2.3.3 Camera Controller

This script is attached on the Camera and controls the movement and zooming out of the camera at gameover. Tweak the values according to your liking.

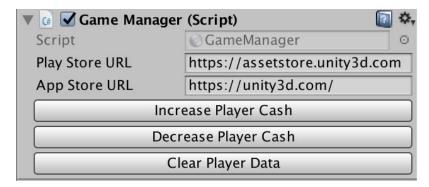
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- Speed: Speed at which the camera moves up with every stacked block
- Height Delta: Amount by which the camera moves up
- Zoom out Factor: Factor by which the camera zooms out at game over
- Min Zoom value, Max Zoom value: Minimum and maximum zoom value to avoid undesired results

2.5 Game Manager

Find the Game Manager at $Main \rightarrow Game\ Manager$ and set up the respective store links for game rating. You can also use the buttons to increase, decrease or clear player's cash for testing purposes.

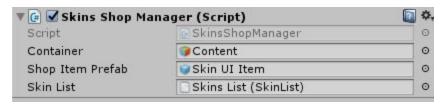


2.6 User Interface

The User Interface is controlled by UIManager on *Main - UI and Shop*. The screens and other UI references are straightforward and pretty easy to set up. The sprites for all the UI are located at $Artwork \rightarrow UI \rightarrow Sprites$.

2.7 Shop

The Skin shop is controlled by the *SkinsShopManager* script on the *Main* \rightarrow *UI* and *Shop* GameObject . This takes a list of skins which is again a *Scriptable Object* asset.



2.7.1 Skins List

The list of skins can be created by going to Assets \rightarrow Create \rightarrow Stack the Blocks \rightarrow Skins List. The existing list is in SO Assets folder.



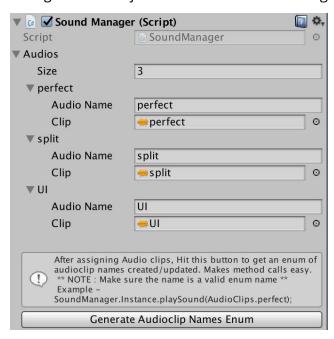
- ID: Unique ID for every skin
- isLocked: is the skin locked by default
- *Cost:* Cost of the skin
- Thumbnail: The UI thumbnail for this skin
- *Texture:* The skin texture

IMPORTANT: Please note that the IDs must be unique. Also, the isLocked setting is the default setting when the game loads for the first time. The lock status of skins is stored at

the persistent path and the lock status of a skin in the *Skin list* asset will not change with unlocking it during the game.

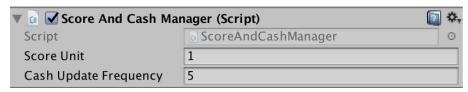
2.8 Sounds

The game sounds are managed by SoundManager and can be found on the $Main \rightarrow Sound$ Manager GameObject. The sounds can be assigned in the inspector.



2.9 Score and Cash

The score and Cash/Diamonds are managed by ScoreAndCashManager script on $Main \rightarrow Score$ and Cash GameObject.



- Score Unit: Score increases by this value.
- Cash Update Frequency: Cash/Diamonds update after this many scores.

3. Gameplay Logic in detail

The GameplayController script takes care of the complete gameplay. We will go through the complete gameplay logic in detail. Let's understand a few things first to make the further explanation easier:

- Start Base block: The already present block from which game starts.
- The incoming block is of the same scale as the base block.
- The incoming blocks come from x and z direction alternatively. The logic is both for same. Only the vectors change. Blocks incoming from x have the change in x component and those from z have the change in z component. This is where the xOrZ boolean, conditionals and if statements are utilized in a lot of places. **Having** stated this, the further explanation will show only x block of the code.
- All the diagrams below will be as 2D side views.

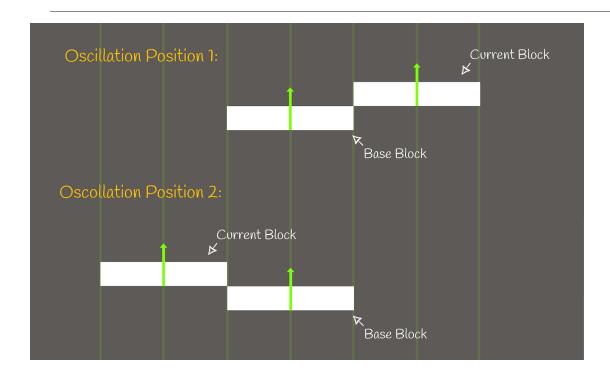
3.1 Incoming blocks and the range of oscillation

The game starts with the Start base block in the hierarchy. The *BringNewBlock()* method handles instantiation of new block and calculation of the range in which it moves back and forth on top of the underlying block.

The gameplay is in such a way that the oscillation range of all the incoming blocks should be equal to or greater than the bounds of the first Block of the game.

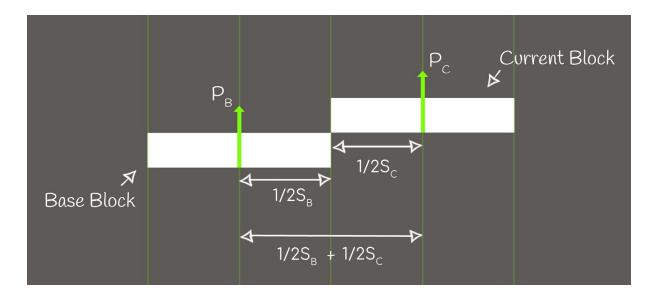
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Though the bounds will always be the same for all blocks, the start and end position will never be the same for all the blocks since:

- Pivot is at the centre of each block.
- The size of the blocks change as we progress.
- Blocks come from x and z direction alternatively.



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If you look at the image above, you will notice that the start position of the block is at a distance of half of the base block's scale ($\frac{1}{2}S_b$) + half of the incoming block's scale ($\frac{1}{2}S_c$). In other words, this is the minimum distance from the centre of start base block for the start and end positions of oscillation. Let's call all it offset.

```
float offset = startBaseBlock.transform.lossyScale.x * 0.85f + block.transform.localScale.x * 0.5f;
```

85 % of the start base block's scale is taken just to maintain some distance.

This *offset* is then added and subtracted from the centre i.e the *start base cube's* x position to get the range of oscillation for the incoming cube. Y coordinate will be equal to the *previous cube' height + heightoffset* and *z* will be the same as the previous block since this oscillation is along x.

The instantiation position is offset by twice the value so that the block starts from outside the screen

```
block.transform.position = baseBlock.transform.position - offsetVector * 2
+ yoffset;
```

3.2 Block Chopping logic

There are three cases when the player taps:

3.2.1 Game over

It is gameover When user taps and no part of the current block overlaps with the base block. For this, It is required to determine how far the block has to be from the base block so that they do not overlap. It is clear from any of the above images that the game-over distance is half of base block's scale + half of the current block's scale.

```
float gameOverDist = xOrZ ?
currentBlock.transform.lossyScale.x * 0.5f + baseBlock.lossyScale.x * 0.5f
: currentBlock.transform.lossyScale.z * 0.5f + baseBlock.lossyScale.z *
0.5f;
```

Also, we are interested in the distance between the blocks along one axis or the XZ plane only. For this, some custom methods are implemented which simply return the vector along one axis (For example: (2,9,8) to (2,0,0) along x)

```
Vector3 currentBlockPosVector = x0rZ ?
VectorHelper.GetXVector(currentBlock.transform.position) :
VectorHelper.GetZVector(currentBlock.transform.position);
Vector3 baseBlockPosVector = x0rZ ?
VectorHelper.GetXVector(baseBlock.transform.position) :
VectorHelper.GetZVector(baseBlock.transform.position);
```

Now simply check the distance and if it is greater than the game over distance, it is gameover

```
if (Vector3.Distance(currentBlockPosVector, baseBlockPosVector) >
gameOverDist)
{
    //It is game over
}
```

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3.2.2 Perfect score

A perfect score is when the block is exactly on top of the base block. This is calculated by simply finding out the distance between the two vector positions in the above section. The smaller the distance the better the overlap. Since it can be extremely difficult to tap when the blocks are perfectly overlapping, it is a good idea to keep a threshold. When tapped if the distance between the blocks falls in this range, it is a perfect score.

```
if (Vector3.Distance(currentBlockPosVector, baseBlockPosVector) <
perfectDist)
{
//Perfect Score
}</pre>
```

3.2.3 Block splitting

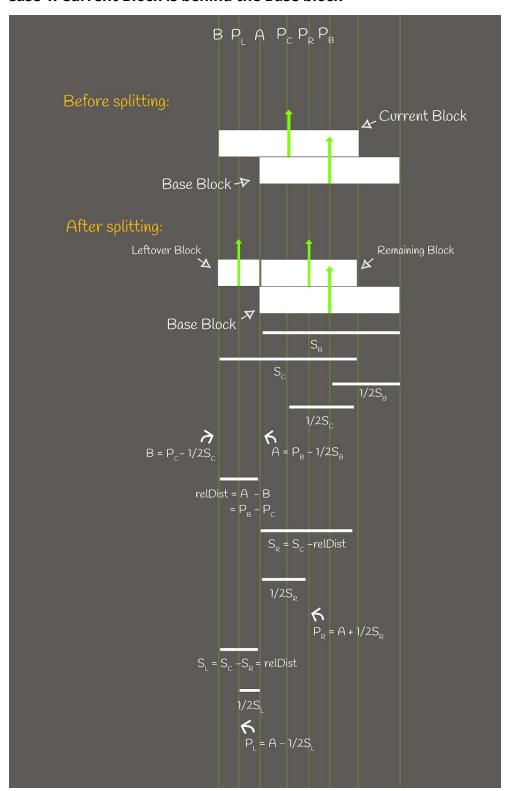
Now here's the main part of the gameplay. When it is not a perfect overlap and the current block has to split into two pieces: One which will be kept and the game continues on top of it and the other one which simply falls down. Let's call the two pieces *remaining* and *leftover*.

Following steps are implemented to achieve the desired result:

- 1. Calculate the position and scale of the two blocks: remaining and leftover
- 2. Make the current block the remaining piece by assigning it the position and scale of the remaining piece
- 3. Instantiate a new block as the leftover piece and assign it the position and scale of the leftover piece
- 4. Add a Rigidbody to the leftover piece to make it fall

There are two cases when splitting the block. Let's look at these in detail.

Case 1: Current Block is behind the Base block



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 P_{B} = Position of Base block

 $S_B = Base Block's scale$

P_c = Position of Current Block

 S_c = Current Block's scale

 P_R = Position of remaining block after the split

S_R = Scale of remaining block after the split

P₁ = Position of the leftover block after the split

 S_R = Scale of the leftover block after the split

Points A and B will be

$$A = P_B - \frac{1}{2}$$
*block's scale

$$B = P_c - \frac{1}{2}$$
*block's scale

Let's calculate the distance between point A and point B first and call it relDist.

1. Now relDist becomes:

relDist =
$$P_B$$
 - ½*block's scale - (P_C - ½*block's scale)
relDist = P_B - P_C

2. The Remaining block's scale:

3. The Remaining block's Position:

$$P_R = A + \frac{1}{2}$$
* block's scale

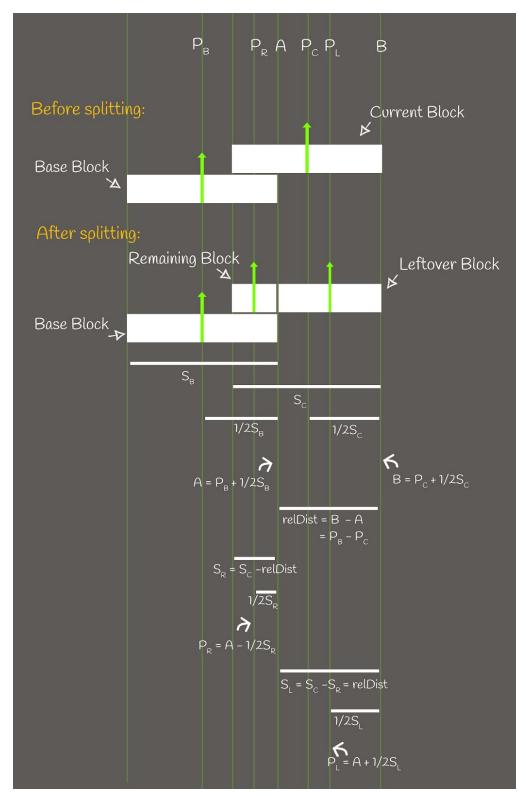
4. Scale for the leftover piece:

$$S_L$$
 = relDist = block's scale - New block's scale

5. Position for the leftover piece:

$$P_1 = A - \frac{1}{2}$$
 *discarded block's scale

Case 2: Current Block is ahead of the Base block



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 P_B = Position of Base block

 S_{R} = Base Block's scale

P_c = Position of Current Block

 S_c = Current Block's scale

 P_R = Position of remaining block after the split

S_R = Scale of remaining block after the split

P₁ = Position of the leftover block after the split

 S_R = Scale of the leftover block after the split

Points A and B will be

$$A = P_B + \frac{1}{2}$$
*block's scale

$$B = P_c + \frac{1}{2} * block's scale$$

Let's calculate the distance between point A and point B first and call it relDist.

1. Now relDist becomes:

```
relDist = P_B + \frac{1}{2}*block's scale - (P_c + \frac{1}{2}*block's scale)
relDist = P_B - P_C
```

2. The Remaining block's scale:

S_R = block's scale - relDist

3. The Remaining block's Position:

$$P_R = A - \frac{1}{2}$$
* block's scale

4. Scale for the leftover piece:

 S_L = relDist = block's scale - New block's scale

5. Position for the leftover piece:

 $P_1 = A + \frac{1}{2}$ *discarded block's scale

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If you look at the calculation in both the cases, you will observe that the difference is only in the interchanging of addition and subtraction. This is why an *int* variable *sign* is taken which is either 1 or -1 according to the current case.

```
int sign = currentBlockPos < baseBlockPos ? -1:1;</pre>
```

Following is how the above calculation looks like in code. (Line numbers correspond to the calculations above):

1.

```
float relDist = Mathf.Abs(baseBlockPos - currentBlockPos);
```

2.

```
float remainingBlockScale = baseBlockScale - relDist;
```

3.

```
float remainingBlockPos = (baseBlockPos + sign * baseBlockScale * 0.5f) -
sign * remainingBlockScale * 0.5f;
```

4.

```
float leftoverBlockScale = relDist;
```

5.

```
float leftoverBlockPos = remainingBlockPos + sign * remainingBlockScale *
0.5f + sign * leftoverBlockScale * 0.5f;
```

4. Game Architecture and Modules

The game consists of various modules which communicate with each other directly or through events.

On top, we have the *GameManager* which consists of the game state events and general game functionalities.

All the other modules register to events present in *GameManager* and when events are raised the respective functionalities in these modules execute. For instance, when a game initializes the *GameInitialized* event is raised after which:

- *UIManager* switches to homescreen
- GameplayController sets up the blocks
- ShopManager fetches the selected skin and assigns to the GameplayController
- And so on....

4.1 PnC Casual Game Kit

The *PnCCasualGamekit* namespace consists of a set of reusable and independent scripts which provide fundamental functionalities such as UI management, object pooling, data storage, sound management, shop etc. These modules can be taken out of this project and implemented elsewhere without having to worry about removing other script references, though a set of instructions must be followed.

4.2 User Interface

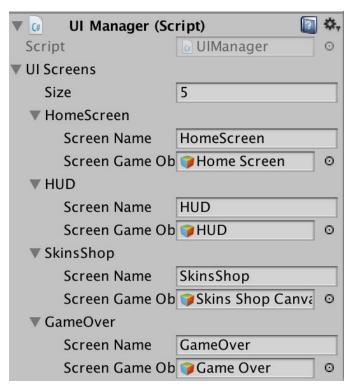
The *PnCUIManager* provides basic functionalities required to manage the game UI:

- 1. Switching between screens
- 2. Modal windows(pop-ups)

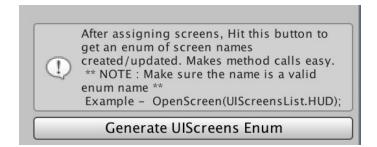
You can use the *PnCUIManager* directly, though in this project it is extended in *UIManager* script so that project-specific methods to maintain reusability.

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The list of UI Screens consists of screen names and their respective Gameobjects.



After assigning the screens hit the "Create enum" button in the inspector to generate an enum of the screen names.



The enum file will be generated at the script's location.

```
public enum UIScreensList
{
    HomeScreen,
    HUD,
    SkinsShop,
    GameOver,
    BuyPopUp,
}
```

This is not mandatory but makes referencing screens easy and readable.

UIManager.Instance.OpenScreen(UIScreensList.GameOver);

Note: Make sure names are unique and follow enum naming rules. (Editor validations will be added in next update)

4.3 Object Pooling

The *ObjectPooler* script provides fundamental object pooling functionality along with some important methods to manage the pool. This is again a reusable script and is not coupled with any other script in the project.

The items to be pooled should be dropped in the *ItemsToPool* list with Name, Prefab, amount and if it should expand specified. As with *UIManager* here also you can press the create enum button in the inspector to generate an enum of the Item names. This enum makes referencing items easy and readable. For example:

ObjectPooler.Instance.GetPooledItem(Itemstopool.block);

Note: Make sure names are unique and follow enum naming rules. (Editor validations will be added in next update)

4.4 Sound Management

The *PnCSoundManager* script provides the basic functionality for the playing of sounds and is also one of the usable scripts. It is extended in the *SoundManager* script. It also follows a similar enum creation approach as described for UlManager and ObjectPooler above.

4.5 Data Management

PlayerDataHandler provides a generic solution for storing, updating and retrieving data from persistent storage. To use this class all you have to do is extend this class and declare all the data fields in it. For example:

```
[System.Serializable]
public class PlayerData : PlayerDataHandler<PlayerData> {
    public int score;
    public int highScore;
    public float cash;

    public PlayerData()
    {
        score = 0;
        cash = 10;
        highScore = 0;
    }
}
```

Now you can use the singleton instance to do all the data related operations.

Create Instance: Accessing the Singleton instance for the first time automatically creates the instance and fetches data from the storage if present. If data is not present it creates a new empty instance. It is still recommended to create the instance at game start.

```
PlayerData.Create();
```

Fetch data:

```
Float cash = PlayerData.Instance.cash;
```

Update Data:

```
PlayerData.Instance.score += 10;
PlayerData.Instance.SaveData();
```

Clear data:

PlayerData.Clear();

4.6 Shop

The Shop Module is also a reusable module of the project which provides the following functionalities:

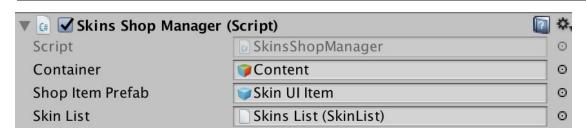
- Populates the UI list of shop items.
- Updates the item's status according to the saved data.
- Handles selection of an item with an appropriate callback.
- Handles successful/failed unlocking of items with appropriate callbacks.

The module works on top of three classes: *ShopManager*, *ShopItemData* and *ShopItem* Implementation of the shop involves the following:

- 1. Extend ShopItemData to create your Data model class:
 - The ShopItemData is the base model data class containing basic data fields such as ID, lock status, cost and thumbnail. Your data class must extend from this class with other project-specific data fields. Refer *SkinItemData* in the project.
- 2. Extend ShopManager passing the extended ShopItemData as the generic type: The ShopManager consists of all the implementations for generating, locking/unlocking of shop items. All you have to do is extend from this class and provide implementations for all the abstract methods. Refer *SkinsShopManager* in the project.
- 3. Create the Shop item Prefab: The shop item is basically a Prefab with a button and other lock and selection images components. It also has a script component called *ShopItem* which basically relays the item's data to *ShopManager* on selection and toggles the selection and lock view of the item. Refer "Skin UI Item" under the Prefabs folder.

Once done with the above steps, Attach the extended *ShopManager* script on any GameObject in the hierarchy. You will find two variables exposed in the inspector.

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- *Container*: UI GameObject which will contain all the shop items. Basically the content child of a scroll view.
- *Shop Item Prefa*b: The list item Prefab. Prefab is already set up in the project. Prefab must have *ShopItem* the script attached with all the necessary references.

The Skin list is a Scriptable Object asset for easy management of skin textures. It is project specific field defined in the derived *ShopManger* class. It is already described in the "Customizing the template" section.

Thank you for Purchasing the Asset. Best of Luck!

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