

### **Use-Case: Start Game**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* To start the game

*Preconditions:* Application must be open

*Trigger:* Player clicks on the 'Start Game' button

*Scenario:*

1. Player opens the application
2. A main menu is displayed to the screen, with various GUI elements
3. The player clicks on the 'Start Game' button
4. The first level is initialized (*See Use-Case: Initialize Level*)

*Exceptions:*

1. Player closes the game
2. Player does not select the start game button.

*Priority:* High

*When available:* Second Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent

### **Use-Case: Initialize Level**

*Primary Actor:* System

*Goal in context:* To initialize the specified level

*Preconditions:*

1. The level # must be passed as a parameter
2. Player must have chosen to start game

*Trigger:* Player enters a number corresponding to a specific level

*Scenario:*

1. The system loads the layout of the specified level from an external file
2. Create an empty grid to store level components
3. Add level components from loaded level onto the grid
4. Draw the level components each game tick, updating positions of the player/enemies (*See Use-case: Update game*)

*Exceptions:*

1. No level # is provided
2. User chose to go to instruction/rules menu first
3. Level # provided is out of bounds (1-5)

*Priority:* High

*When available:* First Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent

### **Use-Case: Instructions/Rules menu**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* To open a menu that informs the player of the game scenario and how to play

*Preconditions:* The player must be at the home/main menu where a choice between starting the game and opening the instruction/rules menu is available

*Trigger:* Player selects the instruction/rules button from the main menu

*Scenario:*

1. Player launches the game

2. Player is greeted at the main menu with two buttons: Start game or Instructions/Rules
3. Player selects Instructions/Rules button
4. The game's description, rules, and overall goal is displayed to the player

*Exceptions:*

1. Player chose to start the game
2. Player closes game

*Priority:* Medium

*When available:* Second increment

*Frequency of use:* Somewhat frequent

### **Use-Case: Update game**

*Primary Actor:* System

*Goal in context:* Update the game state every tick

*Preconditions:* Level is initialized

*Trigger:* Called once every game tick

*Scenario:*

1. Redraw all static grid components
2. Detect keyboard input
3. Update the player's position (*See Use-case: Move Character*)
4. Update moving enemies' position (*See Use-case: Move Enemy*)
5. Update game statistics (Air supply, points, time elapsed, batteries collected, score)

*Exceptions:*

1. Game is paused (*See Use-case: Pause Game*)

*Priority:* High

*When available:* First Increment

*Frequency of use:* Very Frequent

### **Use-Case: Move Character**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* To move the player's character one unit in one of four directions.

*Preconditions:* Player character must be instantiated on the grid

*Trigger:* Player presses one of "WASD" or Arrow Keys.

*Scenario:*

1. Player Starts the game (*See Use-Case: Start Game*)
2. Player presses a directional key (WASD or Arrow Keys)
3. Depending on which key is pressed, the character moves in one of four directions by one grid unit

*Exceptions:*

1. Movement direction is blocked by barrier
2. Game is paused and/or not in focus (Another GUI may be open)
3. Key press is not recognized by the system
4. Player tries to move in-between game ticks
5. Player is already moving
6. Player moves into a Black Hole (*See Use-Case: Black Hole*)

*Priority:* High

*When available:* First Increment

*Frequency of use:* Very frequent

**Use-Case: Pause/unpause Game**

*Primary Actor:* System

*Goal in context:* Pause the game when player presses the pause button and unpause upon pressing the same button

*Preconditions:*

1. Game must be running/Player must be in game

*Trigger:* Player presses the “escape” key while in game

*Scenario:*

1. Player is in game and the game is running
2. Player presses the pause button
3. The game stops updating and all aspects of the game are static
4. Player presses the same button and the game resumes updating at each tick

*Exceptions:* Player is in the main menu, instructions/rules screen, or end screen

*Priority:* Medium

*When available:* Second Increment

*Frequency of use:* Somewhat frequent

**Use-Case: Exit to menu**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* To return the the main menu screen

*Preconditions:* The game must be paused

*Trigger:* The player clicks on the “Menu” button from the pause screen

*Scenario:*

1. The player pauses the game (*See Use-case: Pause/Unpause Game*)
2. Player selects the “Exit to Main Menu” Option
3. The player is brought to the main menu, skipping the results screen

*Exceptions:*

1. The player is not in a paused game (Main menu, instructions, results, etc.)

*Priority:* Medium

*When available:* Second Increment

*Frequency of use:* Infrequent

**Use-Case: Collect battery**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* To collect the mandatory type 1 reward

*Preconditions:* The game has started

*Trigger:* The player collides with the reward

*Scenario:*

1. The player collides with the reward
2. The reward disappears
3. The player's score is updated on the screen

*Exceptions:*

1. The game is paused

*Priority:* High

*When available:* First Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent

**Use-Case: Player collects air tank**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* Replenish oxygen levels

*Preconditions:* The game has started

*Trigger:* Player collides with oxygen tank

*Scenario:*

1. The player collides with the air tank
2. The air tank disappears
3. Player's oxygen is replenished by 75 points and or their score is multiplied

*Exceptions:*

1. The player has negative oxygen (*See Use-case: Player loses game*)

*Priority:* High

*When available:* First Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent

**Use-Case: Player touches Walking Alien**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* Stop the game and player loses

*Preconditions:* Game is started and player is playing a level

*Trigger:* Player collides with Walking Alien

*Scenario:*

1. The player collides with the Walking Alien
2. The game stops with all values static
3. See Use-case: *Player loses game*

*Exceptions:*

1. The player has invulnerability granted from a different collision

*Priority:* Medium

*When available:* Second Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent

**Use-Case: Player touches Hiding Alien**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* Damage the player (Reduce oxygen level)

*Preconditions:* Game is started and player is playing a level

*Trigger:* Player collides with hiding alien

*Scenario:*

1. The player collides with the hiding alien
2. The player's oxygen tank depletes
3. The player gets 1 second of invulnerability

*Exceptions:*

1. Player has < 0 oxygen after collision (*See Use-case: Player loses game*)
2. The player has invulnerability granted from a different collision

*Priority:* Medium

*When available:* Second Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent

**Use-Case: Player touches black hole**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* Traverse the game grid by skipping multiple tiles

*Preconditions:* There are 2 blackholes with the same ID

*Trigger:* The player walks into a cell containing a black hole

*Scenario:*

1. The player starts the game
2. The player walks into a blackhole from any direction
3. The player is teleported, and exits a different blackhole from the opposite direction

*Exceptions:*

1. The player walks into a blackhole in a direction such that the other blackhole's exit is blocked by a barrier
2. There are not 2 blackholes with the same ID in the game

*Priority:* Low

*When available:* Third Increment

*Frequency of use:* Infrequent

### **Use-Case: Player wins**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* Winning the game

*Preconditions:* The player must be in a game (Unpaused)

*Trigger:* The player touches the end tile, with all type 1 rewards collected

*Scenario:*

1. The player selects "Start Game"
2. The player navigates the game grid, collecting all type 1 rewards (*See Use-case: Collect battery*)
3. The player navigates to the ending tile
4. End screen is displayed (*See Use-case: Score calculation screen*)

*Exceptions:*

1. The player runs out of oxygen or collides with walking alien (*See Use-case: Player loses*)
2. The player has not collected all type 1 rewards

*Priority:* High

*When available:* First Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent

### **Use-Case: Player loses**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* Losing the game

*Preconditions:* The player must be in a game

*Trigger:* The player's air tank dips below 0

*Scenario:*

1. The player selects "Start Game"
2. The player collides with a moving enemy
3. The player's air tank reaches zero, and the end screen is displayed (*See Use-case: Score calculation screen*)

*Exceptions:*

1. The game is paused
2. The player is on the exit tile with all batteries collected and acceptable oxygen levels (Above 0)

*Priority:* High

*When available:* First Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent

### **Use-Case: Score calculation screen**

*Primary Actor:* Player

*Goal in context:* After the game ends, the player will see a different message depending on if they won or lost. After, a scoreboard will appear totaling the player's score

*Preconditions:*

1. The player has collected all the batteries and touched the exit cell
2. The player has under 0 oxygen in the air tank
3. The player collides with a walking alien

*Trigger:* The player won or lost the game

*Scenario:*

1. The player completes either the *Player wins* or *Player loses* use-cases
2. The game stops and a pop up message saying the player won or lost is displayed
3. The players total score is calculated and displayed (See *Use-case: Scoreboard and endscreen display*)

*Exceptions:*

1. The player has not collected all batteries
2. The player is not on the exit cell
3. The player has adequate oxygen levels
4. The player has not touched a walking alien

*Priority:* High

*When available:* Second Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent

### **Use-Case: Scoreboard and endscreen display**

*Primary Actor:* System

*Goal in context:* Displays a "high score" chart with corresponding difficulties. (Only the top 3 scores per difficulty level will be displayed. Any higher score will overwrite the old score) The player will then have the option to play again or exit the game

*Preconditions:* The game has ended, and the player's score has been calculated

*Trigger:* The player either wins or loses the game (See *Use-cases: Player Wins/Player Loses*)

*Scenario:*

1. The player either wins or loses the game
2. The player's score is added to the leaderboard if it is high enough
3. A leaderboard/high-score chart is displayed with the player's score and game difficulty

*Exceptions:*

1. The score calculation screen has not yet been displayed (See the exceptions for *Use-case: Score calculation screen*)

*Priority:* Low

*When available:* Third Increment

*Frequency of use:* Frequent