CMSC 131 FINAL PROJECT

RUN BB

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Project Summary

The game's concept is similar to that of many 90's arcade games where repetition and fast reaction is the key to reaching the highest possible score. As the player's score increases per block left behind, the player also decreases his chances of winning by leaving himself a smaller area to work with each time.

Similar to the Snake series, the game rules don't allow the player to walk over his/her own blocks. The player *can* if he/she wishes to exit the game quickly and start over, if not uninstall the game entirely due to anger management issues, but that is not recommended.

To add to the game's excitement, the developers included a 'free roaming object'. Its path and behavior designed to make the game both more challenging and fun. The roaming object can only move diagonally. At an angle, it has the ability to bounce off a block, loop around the block, or ignore it completely. This adds to the unpredictability of the roaming object's movements as the player makes his/her rounds across the map.

However, not all things were created to amuse the developers alone. So to make the game fair, the developers also made the roaming object able to consume each block it bounces off of. Giving the player more room to work with and even a pixel sized escape route if done right. All that said, meeting the free roaming object head on is not recommended as it will also cause the player to exit the game, and perhaps to some extent uninstall as well.

In addition to the game's next generation features, one can also pause the game by having the player touch any of the borders. This causes the whole game, enemy and all, to freeze as the player contemplates on his next move(enemy disappears during the pause and reapppears once player is ready again). The developers consider this border as a 'safe spot' where the player can pass, but the enemy can't. The developers recommend that players will have to think carefully before blocking it off, and only pass along that area as a last resort.

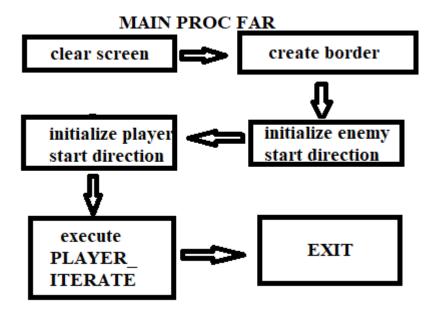
The game uses the DOSBOX's masm as its platform and was made from scratch by emulating the 80386 processor to compile and run the game.

Github Link: https://github.com/bittertongue96/CMSC131FINALPROJECT

List of Procedures

MAIN clears the screen, initializes location for the border, then prompts a procedure to make the border, initializes enemy starting direction, initializes player starting direction, then proceeds to execute the Player_Iterate proc to start the game. If gameover conditions have been met, control returns to main label ENDING.

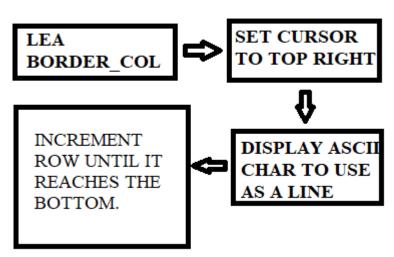
```
MAIN PROC FAR
47
48
     MOV AX, @data
49
     MOV DS, AX
50
51
     ;clear the screen
52
      CALL CLEAR SCREEN
53
     ; BORDER
54
        MOV
                 DL, 9H
                DH, 3H
55
       MOV
56
        CALL GENERAL SET CURSOR
        CALL MAIN BORDER
57
58
59
     NEXT:
      ; ENEMY
60
      MOV ENEMY MAX, 01; set max to 1, meaning going up towards the right.
61
62
      MOV DL, OCH ;
63
      MOV DH, 12
64
      CALL ENEMY SET CURSOR
65
66
      MOV ENEMY PARTY COL, OAH ; coordinates of where enemy starts out
67
      MOV ENEMY PARTY ROW, 12
68
69
     ; PLAYER
70
     MOV DL, OCH ; MIDDLE LEFTMOST OF THE SCREEN
71
     MOV DH, 24H
72
     CALL PLAYER SET CURSOR
73
74
     MOV PLAYER DIS, OH; initialize as zero to signify starting from col
75
     MOV PLAYER MAX, 1H; initialize to 1 to signify starting movement towards the right
76
     MOV PLAYER PARTY COL, 24H ; starting coordinates of player to be ~middle of the screen
77
78
     MOV PLAYER PARTY ROW, 12
     JMP PLAYER ITERATE ; Activate player loop
79
80
        ; PLAYER
81
82
     ENDING:
83
84
    MOV AH, 4CH
85
     INT 21H
86
87 MAIN ENDP
```



MAIN_BORDER displays characters in BORDER that stores duplicated columns(top and bottom), initializes location to start building the rows for the border. Data is duplicated for left and right before returning control to main proc.

```
90
      MAIN BORDER PROC NEAR
 91
        MOV AH, 09H
 92
          LEA DX, BORDER
          INT 21H
 93
 94
                  BORDER COL, 46H
 95
         MOV
 96
         MOV
                  BORDER ROW, 4
 97
              ITERATE:
 98
                  ;set cursor
 99
                  MOV
                           DL, BORDER COL
100
                           DH, BORDER ROW
                  MOV
101
                  CALL
                           GENERAL SET CURSOR
102
103
                  ; display char from register
104
                           AL, OBAH
                  MOV
105
                           AH, 02H
                  MOV
106
                  MOV
                           DL, AL
107
                           21H
                  INT
108
109
                  INC
                           BORDER ROW
110
                           BORDER ROW, 21
                  CMP
111
                  JΕ
                           NEXT
112
                  JMP ITERATE
113
114
      RET
115
      MAIN BORDER ENDP
```

MAIN BORDER



ENEMY_ITERATE procedure that deals mainly enemy mechanics/movement. Sets cursor to where the enemy will be, calls read cursor, displays the enemy character, gives the direction of the enemy using ENEMY_MAX value(1-4) to see where to go.

```
ENEMY ITERATE PROC NEAR
120
121
122
        MOV DL, ENEMY_PARTY_COL
123
        MOV DH, ENEMY PARTY ROW; set coordinates in spot when arrow was pressed.
        CALL ENEMY SET CURSOR
124
        CALL ENEMY READ CURSOR
125
126
127
       ; DISPLAY SMILEY CHAR
            AL, 02H
128
       MOV
               AH, 02H
129
       MOV
               DL, AL
130
       MOV
                21H
131
       INT
132
       CALL DELAY
133
134
135
      CMP ENEMY MAX,01
      JE UPRIGHT
136
137
138
       CMP ENEMY MAX,02
139
       JE DOWNRIGHT
140
141
       CMP ENEMY MAX,03
142
       JE DOWNLEFT
143
144
       CMP ENEMY MAX, 04
145
       JE UPLEFT
```

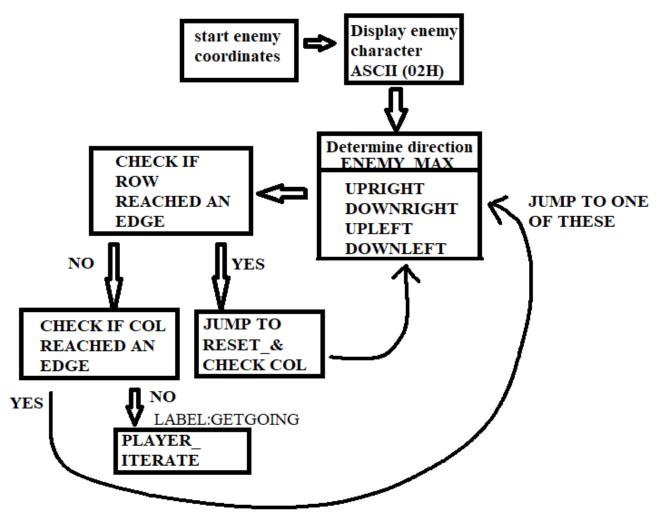
Depending on ENEMY_MAX value, the enemy may go upright(1), downright(2), upleft(4),or downleft(3) and the value is moved to ENEMY_MAX to keep it going the same direction,and ENEMY ROW and ENEMY COL are incremented and decremented accordingly

```
UPRIGHT: ; GOING UP TO RIGHT
148
149
          CALL ENEMY DELETE PREV
150
          MOV ENEMY MAX,01
151
          DEC ENEMY PARTY ROW
152
          INC ENEMY PARTY COL
153
              CMP ENEMY PARTY ROW, 04H ; REACHED THE TOP
154
              JE RESET UR
155
              CMP ENEMY PARTY COL, 45H ; REACHED THE RIGHT.
156
              JE UPLEFT
157
              JMP GETGOING ; WHOLE LOOP
158
159
          DOWNRIGHT:
160
          CALL ENEMY DELETE PREV
161
          MOV ENEMY MAX,02
162
          INC ENEMY PARTY ROW
163
          INC ENEMY PARTY COL
164
              CMP ENEMY PARTY ROW, 14H ; REACHED THE BOTTOM
165
              JE RESET DR
166
              CMP ENEMY PARTY COL, 45H
167
              JE DOWNLEFT
168
              JMP GETGOING
169
170
          DOWNLEFT:
171
          CALL ENEMY DELETE PREV
          MOV ENEMY MAX,03
172
173
          INC ENEMY PARTY ROW
174
          DEC ENEMY PARTY COL
175
              CMP ENEMY PARTY ROW, 14H
176
              JE RESET DL
177
              CMP ENEMY PARTY COL, OAH; REACHED THE LEFT
178
              JE DOWNRIGHT
179
              JMP GETGOING
181
          UPLEFT:
182
          CALL ENEMY DELETE PREV
183
          MOV ENEMY MAX, 04
184
          DEC ENEMY PARTY ROW
185
          DEC ENEMY PARTY COL
186
              CMP ENEMY PARTY ROW, 04H; REACHED THE TOP
187
              JE RESET UL
              CMP ENEMY PARTY COL, OAH; REACHED THE LEFT
188
189
              JE UPRIGHT
190
              JMP GETGOING
```

For control to be passed here, the maximum/minimum value of ENEMY_ROW has to be reached. If it has, the ENEMY_RESET then checks if ENEMY_COL has reached maximum/minimum value as well before giving a new direction for the enemy to go.

```
RESET DL: ; RIGHT TO LEFT MOTION
    CMP ENEMY PARTY COL, OAH
    JE UPRIGHT
    JMP UPLEFT
   RESET_DR:; RIGHT TO LEFT MOTION
    CMP ENEMY_PARTY_COL, 45H
    JE UPLEFT
    JMP UPRIGHT
   RESET UR:
    CMP ENEMY PARTY COL, 45H ; REACHED THE UPRIGHT
    JE DOWNLEFT
    JMP DOWNRIGHT
   RESET UL: ; REACHED UP LEFT
    CMP ENEMY PARTY COL, OAH
    JE DOWNRIGHT
    JMP DOWNLEFT
  RET
ENEMY ITERATE ENDP
```

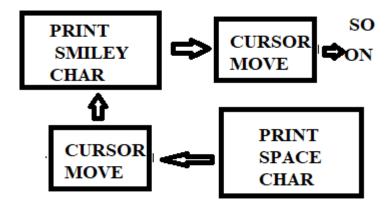
If it fails to reach any of the highest or lest side of the screen, it then checks to see if it reached the farthest end or beginning of the screen. Then it jumps to another direction inside ENEMY ITERATE.



Otherwise, it loops back to the PLAYER ITERATE to keep the game moving as is.

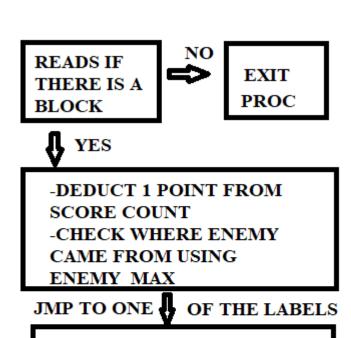
ENEMY_DELETE_PREV this 'deletes' the trails left behind by the setting the cursor to where the enemy was and overwriting with ascii spaces(20H).

```
506
     DELETE_PREV PROC NEAR
507
508
       MOV AH, 02H
509
       MOV BH, 00
       MOV DH, PLAYER PARTY ROW
510
       MOV DL, PLAYER PARTY COL
511
       INT 10H
512
513
514
515
                  AL, 16H
         MOV
                  AH, 02H
516
         MOV
517
                  DL, AL
         MOV
518
                  21H
         INT
519
520
       RET
521
522
     DELETE PREV ENDP
523
```



ENEMY_READ_CURSOR the proc reads information that the cursor passes through. It then determines whether or not the enemy has passed an ascii block (16H). If it doesn't detect that it has passed the ascii block, it carries on normally. If it detects the ascii block, a score from the player is deducted and it now checks the previous direction of the enemy by using ENEMY MAX before deciding on the new direction to give.

```
257
     ENEMY READ CURSOR PROC NEAR
258
         MOV AH, 08H
259
         MOV BH, 00
260
         INT 10H
261
262
         CMP AL, 16H
263
         JE SORTER
264
         JMP NEVERMIND
265
266
          SORTER:
267
          DEC SCORECOUNT
268
          CMP ENEMY MAX, 01; UPRIGHT
269
          JE DOWNRIGHT
270
          CMP ENEMY MAX, 02; DOWNRIGHT
271
          JE DOWNLEFT
272
          CMP ENEMY MAX, 03; DOWNLEFT
273
          JE UPRIGHT
274
          CMP ENEMY MAX, 04 ; UPLEFT
275
          JE UPRIGHT
276
277
278
        NEVERMIND:
279
         RET
280
     ENEMY READ CURSOR ENDP
```



ENEMY_ITERATE PROC

~LABELS~ UPRIGHT DOWNRIGHT UP LEFT DOWNLEFT **PLAYER_ITERATE** this procedure deals mainly with the player mechanics. This procedure is also the main loop of the entire game. It first displays the score of player as soon as the game start. Then it checks whether or not a player has inputted a value key(arrows and escape),

```
PLAYER_ITERATE PROC NEAR
     ;DISPLAY SCORE SA SCREEN
       MOV DL, 10
288
         MOV DH, 22
         CALL GENERAL_SET_CURSOR
289
         MOV AH, 09
290
291
         LEA DX, SCOREMSG
        INT 21H
293 ; DISPLAY SCORECOUNT
294
         MOV DL, 20
         MOV DH, 22
296
         CALL GENERAL SET CURSOR
297
         MOV AL, SCORECOUNT
         DEC AL
         XOR AH, AH
         CALL DISPNUM
302
304
         CMP PLAYER INPUT, 1BH ; CHECK IF INPUT MATCHES ESCAPE KEY. IF NOT, CONITNUE MOVING. IF IT DOES, JUMP TO TERMINATE POC TO EXIT
305
         JE ENDING
306
307
         CMP AX,4800H; UP
308
309
         CMP AX,5000H; DOWN
311
         JE DOWN
312
         CMP AX, 4B00H; LEFT
314
         JE LEFT
316
         CMP AX.4DOOH: RIGHT
         JE RIGHT
```

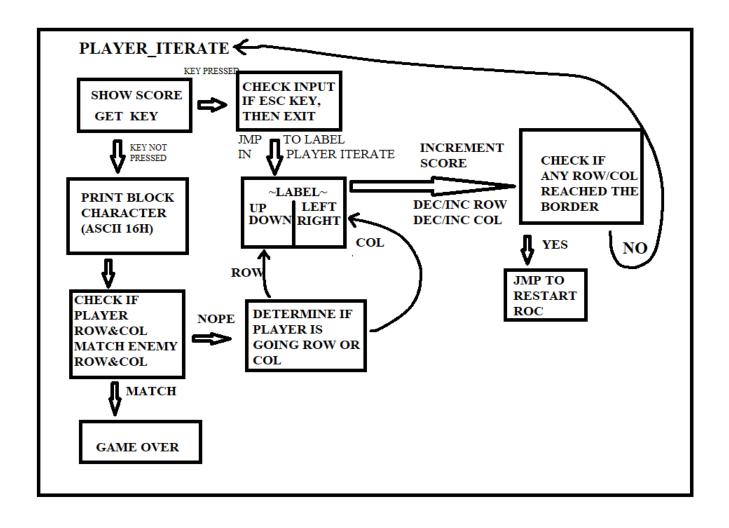
if not it continues to loop on itself. Displaying ascii block (16H) per loop. Using the initialized/previous value of PLAYER_DIS(1&0 for row or col) and PLAYER_MAX (1&0 for left or right) and PLAYER_MAX2 (1&0 for up or down) for direction until a key is inputted or until it reaches the border and stops the game to wait for a key input.

It also checks whether or not the player has met the enemy. Comparing the columns of enemy and player before comparing the rows too. If both conditions are satisfied, it means that the player and enemy are on the same spot. This ends the game. Other wise it carries on.

```
325
         MOV DL, PLAYER_PARTY_COL
326
         MOV DH, PLAYER PARTY ROW; set coordinates in spot when arrow was pressed.
327
         CALL PLAYER SET CURSOR
328
         CALL PLAYER_READ_CURSOR
329
330
         ; DISPLAY BLOCK CHAR
331
         MOV
                 AL, 16H
         MOV
                 AH, 02H
         MOV
                 DL, AL
334
         INT
                 21H
         ; CALL DELAY
335
336
         MOV AL, ENEMY PARTY COL
         CMP PLAYER PARTY COL, AL
339
         JE NEXT CMP1
         JNE DIR
340
341
342
         NEXT CMP1:
343
         MOV AL, ENEMY PARTY ROW
344
         CMP PLAYER PARTY ROW, AL
345
         JE ENDING
346
         JNE DIR
347
348
349
         DIR: ;direction to go either row or column
350
         CMP PLAYER_DIS, 0H
351
         JE COL
352
```

The player only needs to push a key once to run in one of the four directions. When the maximum/minimum row/column has been reached, the control then jumps to the restart proc. If not, it will continue to iterate PLAYER_ITERATE to keep the player moving.

```
364
         CMP PLAYER_MAX2,0H
                                                                     392
                                                                              CALL DELETE PREV
365
          JE UP
                                                                              MOV PLAYER DIS, 1H ; TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN ROL AND COL
366
                                                                     394
                                                                              MOV PLAYER MAX2.0H: TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN UP AND DOWN
         CMP PLAYER MAX2,1H
                                                                              DEC PLAYER_PARTY_ROW
         JE DOWN
                                                                     396
                                                                              INC SCORECOUNT
369
                                                                              CMP PLAYER_PARTY_ROW, 03H
370
                                                                              JE RESTART
371
         RIGHT:
                                                                              JMP PLAYER_ITERATE
         CALL DELETE PREV
                                                                     400
         MOV PLAYER_DIS, OH; TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN ROL AND COL
373
                                                                     401
374
         MOV PLAYER_MAX, 1H
                                                                              CALL DELETE_PREV
                                                                     402
375
         INC PLAYER PARTY COL
                                                                     403
                                                                              MOV PLAYER DIS, 1H ; TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN ROL AND COL
376
         INC SCORECOUNT
                                                                     404
                                                                              MOV PLAYER MAX2, 1H; TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN UP AND DOWN
         CMP PLAYER PARTY COL, 46H ; RIGHT ARROW
                                                                     405
                                                                              INC PLAYER_PARTY_ROW
378
         JE RESTART
                                                                     406
                                                                              INC SCORECOUNT
379
         JMP PLAYER_ITERATE
                                                                              CMP PLAYER PARTY ROW, 15H
                                                                     407
                                                                     408
                                                                              JE RESTART
381
         LEFT:
                                                                              JMP PLAYER_ITERATE
                                                                     409
         CALL DELETE PREV
                                                                     410
         MOV PLAYER_DIS, OH; TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN ROL AND COL
                                                                     411
384
         MOV PLAYER MAX, 0H
                                                                    412
385
         DEC PLAYER PARTY_COL
                                                                     413
386
         INC SCORECOUNT
                                                                    414 PLAYER_ITERATE ENDP
         CMP PLAYER_PARTY_COL, OAH
         JE RESTART
         JMP PLAYER_ITERATE
390
```



RESTART this procedures deals on what will happen once the player has reached the border. First it determines where the player was going and the last key pressed. Then it will give the direction on where the player should go next.

```
RESTART PROC NEAR
                                                             COL_ONLY:
                                                             MOV PLAYER DIS, OH
        CMP PLAYER_DIS, OH ; DISTINGUISH WHETHER INFO CAME
        JE ROW ONLY; IF FROM DIS 0--WHICH IS COL, JUMP TO
                                                             CMP PLAYER MAX, 1H
        JNE COL_ONLY
                                                             JE RIGHTY
                                                             JNE LEFTY
         ROW ONLY:
                                                             RIGHTY:
         MOV PLAYER DIS, 1H
                                                             MOV PLAYER_MAX, 1H; GOING RIGHT, INF
         CMP PLAYER_MAX2,1H
         JE DOWNY
                                                             CMP PLAYER PARTY ROW, 15H
         JNE UPPY
                                                             JE DECREMENT ROW
           UPPY:
                                                             CMP PLAYER PARTY ROW, 03H
                                                             JE INCREMENT ROW
         MOV PLAYER_MAX2, 1H ; GOING UP/DECREMENTING
         CMP PLAYER PARTY COL, 46H
         JE DECREMENT COL
         CMP PLAYER PARTY COL, OAH
                                                             MOV PLAYER MAX, OH ; GOING LEFT, DECF
                                                             CMP PLAYER PARTY ROW, 03H
         JE INCREMENT COL
                                                             JE INCREMENT_ROW
           DOWNY:
                                                             CMP PLAYER PARTY ROW, 15H
         MOV PLAYER MAX2, OH ; GOING DOWN/INCREMENTING
                                                             JE DECREMENT ROW
         CMP PLAYER PARTY COL, 46H
         JE DECREMENT COL
                                                             DECREMENT ROW:
         CMP PLAYER PARTY COL, OAH
                                                             DEC PLAYER PARTY ROW
         JE INCREMENT COL
                                                             JMP BAPPLE
         DECREMENT COL:
         DEC PLAYER PARTY COL
                                                             INCREMENT ROW:
         JMP BAPPLE
                                                             INC PLAYER PARTY ROW
                                                             JMP BAPPLE
         INCREMENT COL:
         INC PLAYER PARTY COL
         JMP BAPPLE
```

If no key is pressed, it will proceed to the BAPPLE loop which pauses the entire game until an input is entered. Once an input has been entered, it will return control back to PLAYER ITERATE proc and carries on.

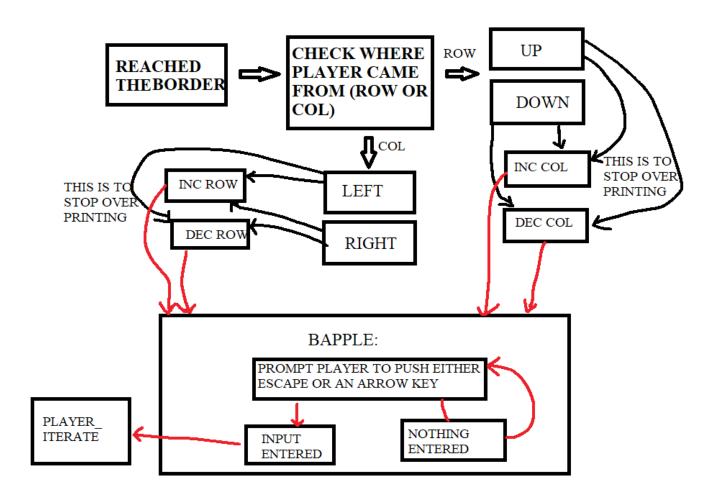
```
MOV AH, 01H ; check for input.
INT 16H

JZ BAPPLE ; NO INPUT DETECTED, TRY TO DETECT INPUT AGAIN

JMP PLAYER_ITERATE ; SEE WHAT TO DO NEXT

RET

RESTART ENDP
```



PLAYER_READ_CURSOR this procedure reads the information from the set procedure. It checks whether or not the player has ran into its own blocks. If not, it continues on to the PLAYER ITERATE other wise exits the game.

```
;
PLAYER_READ_CURSOR PROC NEAR

MOV AH, 08H

MOV BH, 00

INT 10H

CMP AL, 16H

JE DO

JNE THISONE

DO:

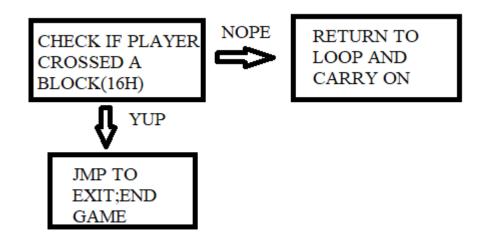
MOV DL, PLAYER_PARTY_COL

MOV DH, PLAYER_PARTY_ROW; set coordinates in spot when a

JMP ENDING

THISONE:

RET
PLAYER_READ_CURSOR_ENDP
```



SCREENSHOTS



STARTING SCREEN

GAMEPLAY

