SE 3XA3: Software Requirements Specification PROJECT TETRIS

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This project describes requirements for PROJECT TETRIS. The template for the Software Requirements Specification (SRS) is a subset of the Volere template.

1 Project Drivers

1.1 The Purpose of the Project

This project is to redevelop the classic game of Tetris and to ensure its compatibility with any computer. The original Tetris, created by Alexey Pajitnov in 1984, is an iconic game recognized by many gamers today. Its simplicity and minimalistic gameplay has allowed it to sell almost 500 million copies to date and is consider the best-selling paid-downloaded game of all time. Our product will be able to bring simple entertainment for users who are looking for games that are not too complex yet still containing a challenging element. The goal of this project will be to recreate this classic game using Java and to properly document all processes involved in its creation. The advantage of using Java would be that any computer capable of running a Java Runtime Environment will be able to play the game. This means it is not restricted to a single operating system but can be run on Windows, Mac OS, or Linux.

1.2 The Stakeholders

1.2.1 The Client

The client of our project is an external entity that is acting as both the commissioner and the reviewer since they control whether the final product is to be deployed or not. They are interested in bringing our redevelopment of Tetris for public use.

1.2.2 The Customers

The customer of our project is the general public. This means that anyone who is interested in video games can be considered a customer. A typical customer would be someone who has access to the internet to acquire our game and any satisfactory controller or interface to play it on. Since our product does not contain any graphical or mature content, it should be accessible to

people of all ages. The target audience is people ages 10+ to exclude those who cannot install the game without assistance.

1.3 Mandated Constraints

1.3.1 Solution Constraints

Description: The product shall operate on computer systems that can run Java (i.e. Windows, Mac OS, Linux)

Rationale: The client should be using the latest version of Java

Fit Criterion: Our game will be available on systems with Java and if it does not, a recommendation or link to download from the Java website will be provided

Description: The product should be playable on all computer systems without an active internet connection

Rationale: The client should be able to acquire the product either using an existing internet connection or a transfer of files from a physical drive.

Fit Criterion: The product will execute if the necessary files are stored locally on the computer. If the user has enough storage space the application will run

1.3.2 Partner or Collaborative Applications

The product does not have any direct partnership or collaborative applications. The only reliance it has is to be able to be acquired through a web browser and for the existing system to support Java.

1.3.3 Off the shelf

The following off-the-shelf software is required: a web browser (A preexisting one comes with any OS), Java (Available from https://java.com/en/download/), and a client for the game to run (i.e. computer with windows or Linux).

1.3.4 Anticipated Workplace Environment

The anticipated workplace environment for this product is any location with an accessible computer. This could potentially mean everywhere since it could reside in a permanent location, such as a person's house or office, or in a mobile environment with a laptop. The product will only be inaccessible if the client has no means of acquire the program either through the internet or physically transferring over a flash drive.

1.3.5 Schedule Constraints

A schedule constraint is not applicable to the development of this project. A deadline, however, has been set as a goal and the product is desired to be completed by early December.

1.3.6 Budget Constraints

A budget is not applicable in this case since we are given all resources to redevelop this project and it will be based on open-source code. Any additional components will have to be purchased at the cost of the developers.

1.3.7 Enterprise Constraints

This game will be free-to-play and does not require the user to purchase anything. The only requirement would be for the user to have access to a piece of hardware to download the game and run it (ex. A computer).

1.4 Naming Conventions and Terminology

Terminology	Definition
CW	Clockwise
CCW	Counterclockwise
Tetrimino	A geometric shape composed of four squares.
	the classification of the seven different Tetris pieces used.
Java	Object-Orientated programming language used for this project

Table 2: Naming Conventions and Terminology.

1.5 Assumptions

A few assumptions about the user are that they are able-bodied people between the ages of 10 and 99. This is assumed because that is the target audience that is able to understand the game and play it. Another assumption about the user is that they know how to use a computer. In order to download and install the game, the user must first know how to use computer.

2 Functional Requirements

2.1 The Scope of the Work and the Product

People search for a means to escape reality and enjoy themselves while engaged in a challenge. PROJECT TETRIS will allow for those people to do just that. This is a project that will consist of designing a game in Java based on the original Tetris game. This project will be completed by December 7, 2016.

2.1.1 The Context of the Work

Figure 1 shows the Context Diagram for this project.

2.1.2 Work Partitioning

2.1.3 Individual Product Use Cases

Title: Player Moves Left

Trigger: User presses the left key

Pre-condition: Game is in play and there is available space to the left (ie the Tetrimino is already not at the left border).

Post-condition: The Tetrimino is shifted one space to the left.

Title: Player Moves Right

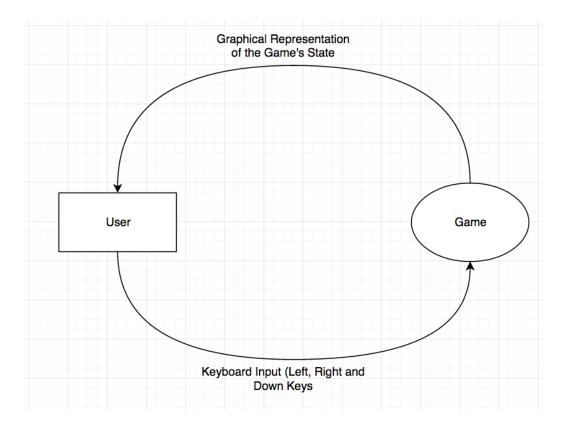


Figure 1: Context diagram.

Trigger: User presses the right key Pre-condition: Game is in play and there is available space to the right (ie the Tetrimino is already not at the right border).

Post-condition: The Tetrimino is shifted one space to the right.

Title: Player Rotates Tetrimino CW

Trigger: User presses the Up key

Pre-condition: Game is in play and there is available space around the Tetrimino in all directions.

Post-condition: The Tetrimino is rotated 90 degrees clockwise.

Title: Player Rotates Tetrimino CCW

Trigger: User presses the Down key

Pre-condition: Game is in play and there is available space around the

Tetrimino in all directions.

Post-condition: The Tetrimino is rotated 90 degrees counter-clockwise.

Title: Player Completes a Row

Trigger: User moves a Tetrimino into place where one or more squares

from the Tetrimino complete a row of squares.

Pre-condition: Game is in play and there are existing squares in the row.

Post-condition: That row is cleared from the game and the resulting ar-

rangement of squares on the screen shift one row downwards.

Title: Player Loses Game

Trigger: A Tetrimino is placed with a square that is above the vertical

limit.

Pre-condition: Game is in play.

Post-condition: The game is ended and the player loses.

Title: Player Pauses Game

Trigger: The player presses the pause key.

Pre-Condition: The game is in the playing state.

Post-Condition: The game is paused.

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Title: Player Requests Instructions

Trigger: The player presses the help key.

Pre-Condition: The game is in the playing state.

Post-Condition: The game is paused and the instructions for the game are displayed.

Title: Player Starts New Game

Trigger: The user selects new game.

Pre-condition: Game has ended and user is prompted to start new game.

Post-condition: A new game is started.

2.2 Functional Requirements

Requirement 1: FR1 The user must be able to move the falling Tetrimino to the left and right.

Rationale: In order to strategically place the Tetrimino where the user desires, the Tetrimino must be able to be moved by the user.

Requirement 2: FR2 The user must be able to accelerate the falling Tetrimino downwards.

Rationale: Once the user has decided where they want the Tetrimino, they should not have to wait for the full duration of the Tetrimino falling. Also, accelerating the Tetrimino adds to the score making the accelerating feature a strategy for the user to get more points.

Requirement 3: FR3 The user must not be able to move the Tetrimino in an upwards direction.

Rationale: The challenge of the game is to strategically place the blocks under the constraint that the time and space is limited because the block is falling slowly towards the bottom of the screen.

Requirement 4: FR4 The game allows the user to rotate the Tetrimino 90 degrees.

Rationale: This allows the user to maneuver the Tetrimino into positions that they desire while still maintaining the square shape of the resulting structure.

Requirement 5: FR5 The game will eliminate a row of the Tetrimino pieces if they span the entirety of the row. The resulting pieces will shift down one row to fill the vacancy.

Rationale: The purpose of the game is place the Tetriminos such that when an entire row of squares is filled, that row is removed. Else the screen would just fill up without any resolution.

Requirement 6: FR6 The Tetriminos cannot go past the border of the screen.

Rationale: Mentioned earlier, the objective is to place the Tetriminos under a constraint of space and time. If there are no bounds or the Tetriminos can go past the boundaries, then the game has no purpose.

Requirement 7: FR7 The game will end when any square should reach the row of origin.

Rationale: The objective of the game is to get as many points before the Tetriminos reach the top of the screen. If any square from the Tetrimino should reach above a certain height. The game will be over.

Requirement 8: FR8 The score and level are displayed on the screen at all time.

Rationale: The objective of the game is to get as many points before the Tetriminos reach the top of the screen. The user should be able to see their progress as the game advances. As the game advances, the level of difficulty increases and the user should be able to see the difficulty at which they are playing.

Requirement 9: FR9 While the game is in the playing state the user can pause the game.

Rationale: Should the user need to take a break from the game while the game is active, they can do so with a single button.

Requirement 10: FR10 While the game is in the playing state the user can request help instructions.

Rationale: Should the user need help with how to play the game, they should be able to see the controls and instructions.

3 Non-functional Requirements

3.1 Look and Feel Requirements

Requirement 11: NFR1 The game must look and feel like the original Tetris game.

Rationale: Since PROJECT TETRIS is based off of the original Tetris game, in turn PROJECT TETRIS must look and feel like the original Tetris game. Tetris has been around for a long time and is very popular. It is recognized widely therefore playing PROJECT TETRIS should be intuitive.

3.2 Usability and Humanity Requirements

Requirement 12: NFR2 The game should be easy to understand and able to be played without reading instructions.

Rationale: Since PROJECT TETRIS is based off of the original Tetris game, it should be just as easy to play. To users playing PROJECT TETRIS should be intuitive. The game should have simple mechanics to be understood by all stakeholders.

3.3 Performance Requirements

Requirement 13: NFR3 The game should be easy to understand and able to be played without reading instructions.

Rationale: Since PROJECT TETRIS is based off of the original Tetris game, it should be just as easy to play. To users playing PROJECT TETRIS should be intuitive. The game should have simple mechanics to be understood by all stakeholders.

3.4 Operational and Environmental Requirements

Requirement 14: NFR4 The game must be run on a computer that is running Java.

Rationale: The game was designed in Java and therefore needs to be compiled with a Java compiler. It will not be able to run otherwise.

3.5 Maintainability and Support Requirements

Requirement 15: NFR5 The game should support Windows, OS X and Linux.

Rationale: Our stakeholders are not limited to running the game on only one platform. Our stakeholders can have any type of computer and still be able to run the game.

3.6 Security Requirements

There are no security requirements associated with PROJECT TETRIS.

3.7 Cultural Requirements

Requirement 13: NFR6 PROJECT TETRIS will not include any images or messages that will offend parties of any culture or religion.

Rationale: PROJECT TETRIS is intended for every type of person regardless of age or background. The user should not be subject to seeing offensive images or messages.

3.8 Legal Requirements

Requirement 14: NFR7 PROJECT TETRIS is not an original works nor will it be distributed for sale.

Rationale: PROJECT TETRIS is based on an open source version of Tetris. It does not mean to infringe on any copyrights. It does not claim to be original.

3.9 Health and Safety Requirements

Requirement 14: NFR7 PROJECT TETRIS should be used under the correct physical conditions and safely.

Rationale: Since this is a game primarily for the computer, it is important to keep in mind proper ergonomics while utilizing the computer for any purpose. This includes things like proper posture, choosing the right environment, and so on.

4 Project Issues

4.1 Open Issues

At this stage of the development of our application, a lot remains unresolved. As far as the game itself goes, we need to ensure that we adhere to the rules and regulations of Tetris itself, as it is a very widely popular game recognized around the world. Furthermore, our investigation into what platform this application is focused on must also be completed; it would be best to create

it as a java application that runs across all operating systems, but further research must be done on the required libraries for our project.

4.2 Off-the-Shelf Solutions

Currently, there exist several versions of Tetris that are widely available to play, both on the web or offline as applications to install on one's computer. This game also exists as multiple different mobile applications for various platforms, and many such versions of this game are open-source and readily available to build off of. We will use these as reference.

4.3 New Problems

There are none at the moment.

4.4 Tasks

Our task first and foremost is to set up a Model-View-Controller architecture, such that each aspect of this game can be worked on in a modular fashion. For the proof-of-concept demonstration, we want to be able to implement a basic graphical view of our game, showing at least the game board itself and depicting the various Tetrimino pieces. We also want there to be basic functionality in terms of movement of various pieces and any response to keyboard or mouse input.

4.5 Migration to the New Product

This is not applicable in the scope of this project.

4.6 Risks

There are several risks with creating and running our application, both to do with developing and testing our application. In order to be functional, our application must have no compile errors and run smoothly without crashing, or without interfering with any other applications. Furthermore, the project team must understand how to best create automated tests for this application.

4.7 Costs

There are no costs involved at the moment.

4.8 User Documentation and Training

User documentation for this application will be available and is crucial to the user, in the form of help menus and instructions on how to play Tetris. It may also be wise to implement a short tutorial at the start of the user's gameplay experience, such that one who is new to Tetris is able to easily understand and play the game.