

Group 14 — Assignment 3

Raccoon Simulator

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1 Introduction

The purpose of this assignment is to refactor some of our code adhering to appropriate design principles.

2 Findings / Bad Smells

With the new information learned about refactoring and bad smells from the lectures in CMPT 276, we were able to spot several bad smells within our code that required refactoring. There were several long methods, lack of abstraction, and inefficient creation of objects to name a few.

1. KeyHandler

keyPressed() `keyPressed()` was a method we had within our `KeyHandler` method to perform various tasks and set various attributes dependent upon the current `gameState` (whether the game was at the title screen, currently being played, etc.) This method was overly large so we split it up into natural submethods dependent upon the current `gameState` of the game: `keyPressedTitle()`, `keyPressedPause()`, `keyPressedEnd()`, and `keyPressedPlay()`. The `keyPressed()` method now calls one of its respective submethods based on the current `gameState` of the game. Reducing coupling and increasing modularity.

2. Subject Position

subject.x & subject.y Both our player and enemy classes inherit from our `subject` class and use a (x, y) coordinate system to determine their position within the game. While going through our code together we noticed that many other classes (`CollisionHandler` and others) were accessing the player and/or enemies x and y values directly which is improper OOP programming and results in high coupling. We fixed this by adding getters and setters for `subject's` x and y attributes to remove this direct access and we set x and y to be protected data types.

3. RedRaccoon

drawObject() `drawObject()` was an overridden method from the `drawableObject()` class which was specialized for the randomly spawning `RedRaccoon` reward item in our game. It incremented and checked a timer variable and performs various tasks based on the value of the timer. This was a long method. We split it up into several natural helper methods: `generateSpawnLocation()`, `spawnRedRaccoon()`, `removeRedRaccoon()`. `drawObject()` is now responsible for increment the timer and calling these various self-explanatory methods based on the value of the timer. This reduced coupling and make the class more modular.

4. Graphmaker

What we Changed Object types had very similar variables to `Node` types causing low cohesion by data clumps. I fixed this by creating an `Extract Class`, `GeneralObject` class, increasing cohesion

within the code. I then had Node inherit from this, increasing our cohesion. I then found that I had high coupling, and I reduced this by making GeneralCollectableObject which inherits from GeneralObject, allowing for more efficient data flow.

5. MapBlock

What we Changed GeneralObject types had similar parameters to the MapBlock type causing low cohesion by data clumps. So I renamed MapBlock to GeneralDrawableObject, and now GeneralDrawableObject inherits from GeneralObject, increasing cohesion.

6. MapManager

What we Changed MapManager was too large and, as such promoted high coupling. I fixed this by creating Extract Class BlockList, and renaming MapManager to BlockManager. Now, BlockList holds all the DrawableObject instantiations and allows for utilisation of DrawableObject's draw method.

7. Project Structure

What we Changed In general the structure of our project, particularly our classes and packages, seemed to be completely random and made no sense at all. I fixed this by creating the following packages: Factory, Enemy, and CollectableObject. I also renamed some classes and old packages to allow for a more straightforward directory