John Romero Programming Proverbs

- 9. "Encapsulate functionality to ensure design consistency. This minimizes mistakes and saves design time."
- John Romero, "The Early Days of Id Software John Romero @ WeAreDevelopers Conference 2017"

- it would be useful to introduce labels in maps
 - could be used for waypoints
 - or to create a taxonomy of objects
- wish to introduce the ability for a bot to get the
 - location of a label
 - doom3 units and also pen units
 - whether a label exists
 - a list of all labels

we might expect, eventually, to enhance the bot API by providing methods inside botlib.py. For example:

```
l = botlib.get_all_labels ()
...
doom_loc = botlib.get_d3_loc (label_name)
...
pen_loc = botlib.get_pen_loc (label_name)
...
if botlib.has_label (label_name):
...
```

- some of these can be implemented in Python on the client
 - others will interact with the server
 - all can be cached

- a thought exercise for the reader might be to consider how labels might be automatically generated
 - for example every room number might automatically generate a label
 - each player and bot might also be known by a label
 - every pickup can also be known by a label
- these notes will only address how labels can be manually entered on maps

\$HOME/Sandpit/chisel/map/label.txt

- this work is divided into 3 components
 - firstly change
 \$HOME/Sandpit/chisel/python/txt2pen.py to generate
 labels inside the .pen files
 - secondly change
 \$HOME/Sandpit/chisel/python/pen2map.py to place
 labels inside doom3 map files
 - thirdly change \$HOME/Sandpit/git-doom3/pybotdhewm3/python-bot/botaa.py
- these notes address the first part only

- making the changes in these notes in Sandpit/chisel/pythpn/txt2pen.py will break the existing doom3 python bot and also break pen2map.py
- so, we will make these changes in a different copy of chisel (stored in Sandpit/labels)

```
$ cd
$ cd Sandpit
$ mkdir -p labels
$ cd labels
$ git clone https://github.com/gaiusm/chisel
```

add a new field to the roomInfo class

update the reserved words:

add the label class

```
class label:
    def __init__ (self, pos, label_desc):
        self.pos = pos
        self.label_desc = label_desc

    def write (self, f):
        f.write (" LABEL AT ")
        printCoord (self.pos, f)
        f.write (" %s\n" % self.label_desc)
        return f
```

add parseLabel

```
#
# parseLabel := 'label' filename =:
#

def parseLabel (room, x, y):
    desc = expectString (room, x, y, 'a string after the label keyword')
    l = label ([x, y], desc)
    rooms[room].labels += [l]
```

add parseLabelSpawn

```
#
# parseLabelSpawn := 'label' string =:
#

def parseLabelSpawn (room, x, y):
    if expecting (['label']):
        expect ('label', room, x, y)
        parseLabel (room, x, y)
        return True
    return False
```

we need to make a call to parseLabelSpawn from within the function ebnf

• finally we need to add a method to print labels (and make sure it is called)

```
def printLabels (labels, o):
   if labels != []:
      for l in labels:
        o = l.write (o)
   return o
```

```
def printRoom (r, o):
    o = printSpawnPlayer (rooms[r].worldspawn, o)
    o = printInside (rooms[r].inside, o)
    o = printSounds (rooms[r].sounds, o)
    o = printLabels (rooms[r].labels, o)
    o.write ("END\n\n")
    return o
```