

# Tank Project

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## Game Manual

### Introduction

This project implements a 2D Tank War game using Java, JavaFX, and Object-Oriented Design principles. The game features a player-controlled tank, enemy tanks with simple AI, missiles, explosions, walls, medpacks, and a grid-based world. The goal is to survive, eliminate all enemy tanks, and avoid collisions or incoming fire.

This brief manual describes how to start and run the game.

### How to Start the Game

#### Prerequisites

To run the game, ensure the following are installed on your system:

- Java Development Kit (JDK) 17 or later
- JavaFX SDK (correct version for your OS)
- An IDE such as IntelliJ IDEA or VS Code, or the ability to run from terminal

#### Running the Game in an IDE

1. Open the project in IntelliJ IDEA.
2. Make sure the `javafx-sdk` library is added to the module path.
3. Open the file `TankGameApplication.java`.
4. Run the application using the IDE's run button.

## Running from the Terminal

If running manually via terminal, use the following command (modify paths as needed):

```
java --module-path /path/to/javafx-sdk/lib
      --add-modules javafx.controls,javafx.fxml
      -cp out/production/TankProject
      TankGameApplication
```

## Gameplay Overview

- Use the arrow keys to move the player's tank.
- Press the spacebar to fire missiles.
- Avoid walls, enemy missiles, and enemy tanks.
- Collect medpacks to restore full health.
- Destroy all enemy tanks to win the game.

## End of Game

When the player wins or loses, a message will appear along with a **Restart** button. Clicking this button resets the game world and begins a new session.