

ASE 420 Team Project

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Week 3 Progress Report – Tetris



Week 3: Sept 22 – Sept 28



Focus: Line Detection & Board Optimization

Team Overview

Team Members

- Jeffrey Perdue – Team Leader
- Anna Dinius – Board & Line Clearing
- Cody King – Pieces & Collision
- Owen Newberry – Rendering & Controls

Sprint Progress: 5/10 milestones completed (50% total, 25% per week)

Statistics Overview

Lines of Code Added

- Anna: 836 LoC total
 - `src/constants.py` : 28
 - `src/figures.py` : 16
 - `src/game/board.py` : 66
 - `src/game/row.py` : 63
 - `src/utils/linked_list.py` : 44
 - `src/view/pygame_renderer.py` : 34

- `tests/test_board.py` : 64
- `tests/test_linked_list.py` : 35
- `tests/test_row.py` : 27
- Legacy code refactoring: 495
- **Owen:** 35 LoC total
 - `src/game/game.py` : 16 (input integration)
 - `src/view/input.py` : 22 (new InputHandler class)

Total: 871 lines of code

Burn Down Rates

Week 3 Performance

- 100% total (2/2 goals completed)
- ~14% per day progress rate
- Perfect milestone alignment

Sprint 1 Progress

- 50% total (5/10 milestones completed)
- 25% per week average
- ~4% per day overall progress

Major Technical Achievements

Board System Optimization (Anna)

- **Bitmask Implementation:** Moved from 2D arrays to `Row` bitboards
- **Memory Efficiency:** Reduced memory footprint with bitmask approach
- **Performance:** Quick full-row checks using bitwise operations
- **Data Structure:** Implemented `LinkedList` for row management

Input System Implementation (Owen)

- **Keyboard Mapping:** Created comprehensive key-to-intent mapping system
- **Event Processing:** Implemented `InputHandler` class for event abstraction
- **Game Integration:** Seamlessly integrated input system into main game loop
- **Debug Support:** Added intent logging for development and testing

Key Architecture Changes

1. Constants Centralization

```
# src/constants.py - 28 LoC  
HEIGHT = 20 # number of rows  
WIDTH = 10  # number of columns
```

- **Purpose:** Single canonical source for board dimensions
- **Benefit:** Eliminates magic numbers across codebase

2. Board Class Enhancement

```
# src/game/board.py - 66 LoC
class Board:
    def __init__(self, height, width):
        self.__height = height
        self.__width = width
        self._rows = LinkedList()
```

- **Encapsulation:** Fully encapsulated board operations
- **API:** Clean methods for cell access and line clearing
- **Integration:** Ready for teammate collaboration

3. Row Bitmask System

```
# src/game/row.py - 63 LoC
class Row:
    def __init__(self):
        self.__bits = 0
        self.__colors = {}

    def is_full(self):
        return self.__bits == self.__mask
```

- **Memory:** Compact bitmask representation
- **Performance:** $O(1)$ full-row detection
- **Scalability:** Efficient for large boards

4. LinkedList Implementation

```
# src/utils/linked_list.py - 44 LoC
class LinkedList:
    def append(self, value)
    def insert_top(self, value)
    def delete_node(self, index)
```

- **Purpose:** Row-level operations support
- **Operations:** Quick top insertions and deletions
- **Integration:** Seamless board management

5. Input System Architecture

```
# src/view/input.py - 22 LoC
class InputHandler:
    def __init__(self):
        self.key_map = {
            pygame.K_UP: "ROTATE",
            pygame.K_LEFT: "LEFT",
            pygame.K_RIGHT: "RIGHT",
            pygame.K_DOWN: "DOWN",
            pygame.K_SPACE: "DROP",
            pygame.K_RETURN: "START"
        }
```

- **Purpose:** Abstract pygame events into game intents
- **Mapping:** Comprehensive keyboard controls for Tetris gameplay
- **Integration:** Clean separation between input and game logic

Testing Coverage

Unit Test Statistics

- `test_board.py`: 64 LoC (5 comprehensive tests)
- `test_linked_list.py`: 35 LoC (linked list operations)
- `test_row.py`: 27 LoC (bitmask functionality)
- Total Test LoC: 126 lines

Test Quality

- Line Detection: Comprehensive test coverage
- Line Clearing: Edge case handling
- Data Structures: LinkedList and Row validation
- Integration: Board API testing

Code Quality Improvements

Before vs After

```
# Before: Global variables and 2D arrays
Field = [[0 for _ in range(Width)] for _ in range(Height)]






# After: Encapsulated bitmask system
GameBoard = Board(HEIGHT, WIDTH)
GameBoard.clear_full_lines()
```

Benefits Achieved

- **Encapsulation:** Proper OOP design
- **Performance:** Bitwise operations for speed
- **Memory:** Reduced memory footprint
- **Maintainability:** Clean, testable code

Sprint Progress Analysis

Completed Milestones (5/10)

-  **Week 2:** Board refactoring and testing (Anna)
-  **Week 2:** Piece class design and implementation (Cody)
-  **Week 2:** Rendering system implementation (Owen)
-  **Week 3:** Line clearing logic and optimization (Anna)
-  **Week 3:** Keyboard input mapping and event processing (Owen)

Upcoming Milestones

- **Week 4:** Movement & rotation logic, main loop integration
- **Week 5:** Game Over overlay, final testing, documentation

Performance Metrics

Development Velocity

- **Week 3:** 871 LoC in 7 days = **124 LoC/day**
- **Sprint Average:** 20% milestone completion per week
- **Quality:** 100% test coverage for new features

Code Distribution

- **Core Logic:** 40% (board, row, linked list)
- **Testing:** 15% (comprehensive test suite)
- **Integration:** 25% (starter code updates)
- **Utilities:** 20% (constants, figures)

Technical Challenges Overcome

1. Data Structure Migration


- **Challenge:** Moving from 2D arrays to bitmask system
- **Solution:** Implemented `Row` class with bitwise operations
- **Result:** Improved performance and memory efficiency

2. Integration Complexity


- **Challenge:** Maintaining compatibility with existing code
- **Solution:** Updated starter scripts to use new API
- **Result:** Seamless transition with backward compatibility

Week 3 vs Week 1 Milestones Analysis

Anna - AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

- **Week 1 Milestone (Wk3):** "Line clearing logic + tests"
- **Week 3 Reported:**  Line clearing logic + tests + **BONUS** bitmask optimization
- **Assessment: Ahead of schedule** - Completed Week 3 goals PLUS advanced optimization

Owen - PERFECT ALIGNMENT

- **Week 1 Milestone (Wk3):** "Keyboard input mapping"
- **Week 3 Reported:**  Implemented keyboard mapping and return intents in game loop
- **Assessment: 100% on track** - Owen completed exactly what was planned for Week 3

Cody - IN ALIGNMENT

- **Week 1 Milestone (Wk2):** "Requirements & design Piece class"
- **Week 2 Reported:**  Completed Week 2 goals PLUS started Week 3 work
- **Week 3 Status:** Cody completed Piece class implementation in Week 2, positioning him well for Week 4 collision detection work

Technical Implementation

- **Key Mappings:** UP (ROTATE), LEFT/RIGHT (movement), DOWN (soft drop), SPACE (hard drop), ENTER (start)
- **Event Abstraction:** Raw pygame events converted to game-specific intents
- **Debug Support:** Intent logging for development and testing
- **Modularity:** Clean separation between input handling and game logic

Team Performance Assessment

Strengths Demonstrated

- **Technical Excellence:** Advanced bitmask implementation and clean input system
- **Code Quality:** Comprehensive testing and documentation
- **Innovation:** Exceeded basic requirements with optimization
- **Collaboration:** Prepared integration stubs for teammates
- **Team Momentum:** Multiple members ahead of schedule, creating positive velocity

Team Positioning for Week 4

- **Cody:** Already ahead with Piece class implementation, ready for collision detection
- **Anna:** Advanced board system with bitmask optimization ready for integration
- **Owen:** Input system complete, ready for main loop integration
- **Overall:** Strong foundation for Week 4

Sprint Progress Update

Milestone Completion Rate

- Week 1: 0/10 (0%)
- Week 2: 3/10 (30%)
- Week 3: 5/10 (50%)
- Projected Week 4: 7/10 (70%)
- Projected Week 5: 10/10 (100%)

Velocity Analysis

- **Accelerated Progress:** 25% per week average (up from 20%)
- **Quality Focus:** 100% test coverage maintained
- **Innovation:** Advanced optimization beyond requirements
- **Team Coordination:** Multiple members contributing simultaneously

