CS 2261 Lab 05: Text, Images, and DMA

Provided Files

- main.c
- myLib.c
- myLib.h
- game.c
- game.h
- text.c
- text.h
- font.c
- font.h

Files to Edit/Add

- main.c
- myLib.c
- game.c
- text.c
- Your Makefile

Instructions

In this lab, you will be completing several different TODOs, which will, piece by piece, add text, images, and speed to a simple Space Invaders-like game. Each TODO represents a component of this improvement, and is broken down into sub-TODOs. Your code may not compile until you complete an entire TODO block, at which point the game should compile with the new improvement.

After you download and unzip the files, add your Makefile, add the SOURCES with it, and then compile and run it. What you end up with should look familiar. It's a completed Lab04! This isn't as great as it could be, though. Complete the TODOS on order, paying close attention to the instructions.

• TODO 1 – drawChar

- For us to be able to draw text, we need to be able to draw a single character.
- TODO 1.0: In text.c, complete the drawChar function.
- TODO 1.1: In main.c, in the goToPause() function, use this to draw a capital P.
- Compile and run. You should be able to travel to the Pause state, and see your capital P. If not, fix this before going further.

TODO 2 – drawString

- We want to be able to draw entire strings of text with a single function, as well.
- TODO 2.0: In text.c, complete the drawString function.
- TODO 2.1: In main.c, in the goToPause() function, replace your previous drawChar with drawString, and draw "Pause".
- TODO 2.2: In the goToWin() function, draw "Win".
- o TODO 2.3: In the goToLose() function, draw "Lose".
- Note: Why do we do this in the goTo functions, and not the every-frame state functions? That's because drawing text takes a long time. We don't want to draw text every frame unless we absolutely have to.
- Compile and run. You should be able to travel through all the states you just edited and see their titles printed on them. If not, fix this before going further.

TODO 3 – Score

- For our game to be user-friendly, we want to be able to see our current progress to victory during the game state.
- TODO 3.0: In the goToGame() function, draw "Balls Remaining: " in a free area (row 145 and col 5 should be a good spot).
- TODO 3.1: In the game() function, use sprintf() to save the current score (ballsRemaining) in text form to a character array.
 - The char array has already been created for you, called "buffer"
 - sprintf is a function in stdio.h, which we have #included for you
 - It returns null, and works like this:
 - o sprintf(arrayName, formatterString, variables, ...)
 - This is exactly like printf, but with an extra argument at the beginning (the arrayName to save to)
 - For more info on sprintf, check <u>https://www.tutorialspoint.com/c_standard_library/c_function</u> sprintf.htm

- TODO 3.2: We want to erase the previous score before we draw the new one. So draw a black rectangle at row 145 col 107 that is the size of a character. Then, draw the score at this location (using drawString with buffer as the character array).
- Note: Why did we draw "Balls Remaining: " in goToGame(), but the actual number in game()? That's because the "Balls Remaining: " text does not change, so we only need to draw it once. The actual score, however, can change at any time, so we have to account for that possibility every frame.
- ➤ Compile and run. You should be able to travel to the game state, and see the current score. Shoot some balls, and the score should update. If not, fix this before going further.

• TODO 4 – DMANow

- For our game to be fast, we need to use DMA. The simplest way to do this is to write a function that sets up the registers of the specified channel.
- TODO 4.0: In myLib.c, complete the DMANow function. This function sets up all the registers of the given DMA channel and turns it on for us. This allows us to use DMA wherever we need it with only a single line, without having to set all of the registers line-by-line in every location we want to use it. There are additional comments in the DMANow function that will help you write it.
- TODO 4.1: Rewrite the fillScreen function to use DMA, using your new DMANow function. Make sure to use DMA channel 3. You may not use any loops.
 - Hint: If you are copying one thing (one source) to every pixel in the videoBuffer, what do you need to tell the DMA control to do (or not do) to the source?
 - Hint: Make sure the src and dst parameters are addresses to the locations you are copying from and to.
- TODO 4.2: Rewrite the drawRect function to use DMA, using your new DMANow function. Make sure to use DMA channel 3. You may only use one loop.
 - Hint: You must use one loop here, because unlike fillScreen, the area you are copying to (destination) is not contiguous. Each row of the rectangle is, though. Use DMA to draw one row at a time.
 - Hint: Make sure the src and dst parameters are addresses to the locations you are copying from and to.
- Compile and run. The game should look the same, but look a lot snappier during transitions. If not, fix this before going further.

TODO 5 – drawFullscreenImage

- For our game to look good, we need to be able to draw images. We have provided a fullscreen image for you.
- o TODO 5.0: Open Bill.png in Usenti.

- TODO 5.1: Change the size to 240x160 with Image>Size (make sure to check "Stretch" so it doesn't crop).
- TODO 5.2: Export the image with Image>Export. Save it as Bill, with the file type as GBA Source (make sure it is in the same folder as your lab05). When you get to the export settings, under Gfx, change "tile" to "bitmap (GBA)". Change bits per pixel (bpp) to "16". Then hit OK. You do not need to view the log.
- o TODO 5.3: Add the newly created Bill.c to the Makefile SOURCES.
- TODO 5.4: Now that you have an image to draw, you need to make a function to do it. In myLib.c, complete the drawFullscreenImage using DMA. Make sure to use DMA channel 3. You may not use a loop.
 - Hint. This is very similar to fillScreen, but this time, instead of copying one color to the whole videoBuffer, you are copying the whole array of colors in order.
 - Hint: Make sure the src and dst parameters are addresses to the locations you are copying from and to.
- o TODO 5.5: In main.c, include your Bill.h file.
- TODO 5.6: In the goToStart function, replace the fillScreen call with drawFullscreenImage, drawing your picture of Bill (you can just pass in the name of the image array from Bill.c).
- Compile and run. You should see the image of Bill on the train as your start screen. If not, fix this before going further.

• TODO 6 – drawlmage

- In reality, we really want to be able to draw images of any size.
- TODO 6.0: In myLib.c, complete the drawImage function using DMA.
 Make sure to use DMA channel 3. You may use one loop.
 - Hint: This is more similar to drawRect than fillScreen. This time, you want to copy each row of the image data (*cough* OFFSET *cough*) to each location that it should be in the videoBuffer.
 - Hint: Make sure the src and dst parameters are addresses to the locations you are copying from and to.
- o TODO 6.1: In Usenti, make an image for your Ball that is 10x10.
- o TODO 6.2: Export the image like you did the other one.
- TODO 6.3: Add your new image .c file to Makefile SOURCES
- o TODO 6.4: Include your image's .h file at the top of game.c
- TODO 6.5: In the drawBalls function, replace the drawRect that draws the ball with your new drawImage.
 - Hint: All of the parameters will be the same as drawRect, except instead of the color, you want to pass in the image's array.
- Compile and run. You should be able to travel to the game state, and see the balls as your new image. If this all works, submit your lab.

Submission Instructions

Zip up your entire project folder, including all source files, the Makefile, and everything produced during compilation (including the .gba file). Submit this zip on T-Square. Name your submission Lab05_FirstameLastname, for example: "Lab05_VrookLamar.zip".