

Python Coursework

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About the project:

For our final coursework for this module we decided to recreate the very popular game **Snake**. The reason for choosing this game specifically is that we couldn't think of any video related projects that wouldn't suffer because of the extremely low resolution. Even most older games would look terrible and be unplayable on such a small display. However snake is an exception, as it is playable at very low resolutions and was one of the first games ever created, which is why it was a perfect choice for this project. We decided to use git & GitHub ([our repo is public](#)) to be able to work together on two different machines while keeping our code in sync. It also helped us easily debug when issues came up because we could check previous versions easily to see what exactly was causing the problem. The code is highly documented & follows PEP 8 (The official Python style guide) for highly readable & understandable code.

Project code with comments:

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import opc
import random
import copy
from tkinter import *

'''
Helper function to easily
generate tuples based on
colour name
'''

def random_px():
    return (random.randint(0, 255),
            random.randint(0, 255),
            random.randint(0, 255))

def px(color):
    if color == "red":
        return (255, 0, 0)
    elif color == "green":
        return (0, 255, 0)
    elif color == "blue":
        return (0, 0, 255)
    elif color == "black":
        return (0, 0, 0)
    elif color == "white":
        return (255, 255, 255)
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'''
Window class for the
tkinter window and to
manage the controls
'''

class Window:
    def __init__(self):
        self.root = Tk()
        self.root.geometry("300x300")
        self.root.title("Coursework")
        self.root.bind("<Key>", self.key)

        # Creating a frame like this makes fluid grids possible
        frame = Frame(self.root)

        # Boilerplate to get Frame working
        Grid.rowconfigure(self.root, 0, weight=1)
        Grid.columnconfigure(self.root, 0, weight=1)
        frame.grid(row=0, column=0, sticky=N+S+E+W)

        # Create grid using frame
        grid = Frame(frame)
        grid.grid(sticky=N+S+E+W, column=0, row=0, columns=2)

        '''
        Now we can create and add
        the buttons to the frame.
        Also note the use of lambda
        functions below to get dynamic
        parameters in a callback
        '''

        upBtn = Button(frame, text="Up",
                        command=lambda: self.btn_event("up"))
        upBtn.grid(column=1, row=0, sticky=N+S+E+W)

        ltBtn = Button(frame, text="Left",
                        command=lambda: self.btn_event("left"))
        ltBtn.grid(column=0, row=1, sticky=N+S+E+W)

        rtBtn = Button(frame, text="Right",
                        command=lambda: self.btn_event("right"))
        rtBtn.grid(column=2, row=1, sticky=N+S+E+W)

        dnBtn = Button(frame, text="Down",
                        command=lambda: self.btn_event("down"))
        dnBtn.grid(column=1, row=2, sticky=N+S+E+W)

        for x in range(3):
            Grid.columnconfigure(frame, x, weight=1)

        for y in range(3):
            Grid.rowconfigure(frame, y, weight=1)

        # Wrapper for Tkinter's mainloop
        def mainloop(self):
            self.root.mainloop()

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def key(self, event):
    direction = event.keysym.lower()

    # Make sure direction is valid
    if direction == "up" or \
        direction == "down" or \
        direction == "left" or \
        direction == "right":
        snake.set_direction(direction)

def btn_event(self, direction):
    snake.set_direction(direction)

'''
Screen class to abstract
away the opc methods
'''

class Screen:
    def __init__(self, screen=[]):
        self.screen = screen
        self.client = opc.Client('localhost:7890')

    def render(self, screen):
        self.client.put_pixels(screen)
        self.client.put_pixels(screen)

'''
Just a simple class
for a point with an
x & y position
'''

class Point:
    def __init__(self, x, y):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y

    def __eq__(self, other):
        return self.x == other.x \
            and self.y == other.y

    def __hash__(self):
        return hash(('x', self.x, 'y', self.y))

'''
The class for the
player & snake
'''

class Snake:

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def __init__(self, direction='left'):
    self.body = [Point(57, 0), Point(58, 0), Point(59, 0)]
    self.direction = direction
    self.grow = False

def show(self, screen):
    for point in self.body:
        screen[point.y][point.x] = px("red")

def eat(self, food, screen):
    # Remove the food from the screen
    screen[food.y][food.x] = px("black")
    # Setting grow to true will make the snake grow in the next frame
    self.grow = True

def set_direction(self, direction):
    # Make sure player is not allowed to go backwards
    if self.direction == "right" and direction == "left":
        self.direction = "right"
    elif self.direction == "left" and direction == "right":
        self.direction = "left"
    elif self.direction == "up" and direction == "down":
        self.direction = "up"
    elif self.direction == "down" and direction == "up":
        self.direction = "down"
    else:
        self.direction = direction

def move(self, screen):
    # Deepcopy is required because of the Point object
    newSnake = copy.deepcopy(self.body)

    # Duplicate the previous snakes head
    newHead = newSnake[0]

    # Then move it to the next position
    if self.direction == "right":
        newHead.x += 1
    elif self.direction == "left":
        newHead.x -= 1
    elif self.direction == "up":
        newHead.y -= 1
    elif self.direction == "down":
        newHead.y += 1

    # Make sure user wraps around walls
    if newHead.x >= 60:
        newHead.x = 0

    elif newHead.x <= -1:
        newHead.x = 59

    if newHead.y >= 6:
        newHead.y = 0

    elif newHead.y <= -1:
        newHead.y = 5

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        # If snake is not growing remove the last piece
        if not self.grow:
            toClear = self.body.pop()
            screen[toClear.y][toClear.x] = px("black")

        # Add back the new head
        self.body.insert(0, newHead)
        self.grow = False # Reset the growing

window = Window()
screen = Screen()
snake = Snake()
apple = Point(0, 0)
frame_rate = 1000 // 10

'''
Update is the function
that will be called every
frame change
'''

def update():
    # Set the gameOver variable to False by default
    gameOver = False
    # Reset the screen to black
    screen_arr = [[px("black") for i in range(60)] for j in range(6)]

    # Actually check if the game is over
    if len(set(snake.body)) != len(snake.body):
        gameOver = True

    # If the game is over render out random pixels
    if gameOver:
        screen_arr = [[random_px() for i in range(60)] for j in range(6)]
        screen.render([j for sub in screen_arr for j in sub])
        window.root.after(frame_rate, update)
    else:
        # Add the snake to the screen
        snake.show(screen_arr)

        # Add an apple to the screen as well
        screen_arr[apple.y][apple.x] = px("green")

        # Check if snake has eaten apple
        if snake.body[0].x == apple.x and snake.body[0].y == apple.y:
            # Call eat on the snake
            snake.eat(apple, screen_arr)

        '''
        Choose a new random position
        for the apple making sure not
        to intersect with the snakes position
        '''
        while True:
            apple.x = random.randint(0, 59)

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apple.y = random.randint(0, 5)

inBody = False

for piece in snake.body:
    if piece.x == apple.x and piece.y == apple.y:
        inBody = True

if inBody:
    continue
else:
    break

# Actually render out the screen
screen.render([j for sub in screen_arr for j in sub])

# Move the snake to the next position
snake.move(screen_arr)

# Call update() recursively every 100 ms
window.root.after(frame_rate, update)

# Initial call to update()
window.root.after(frame_rate, update)
window.mainloop()
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Preview of end result

As this is a document the preview is a static image:

