TWITCH PLAYS CONNECT6

A MMO GAME FEATURING TWITCH INTEGRATION

CORE CONCEPTS

- Allow multiple players to participate in a Connect 6 game at the same time.
- Players would receive real-time game window feedback, allowing them to make decisions accordingly. The decisions, or commands are issued via chat server (IRC), which is one of the unique part.

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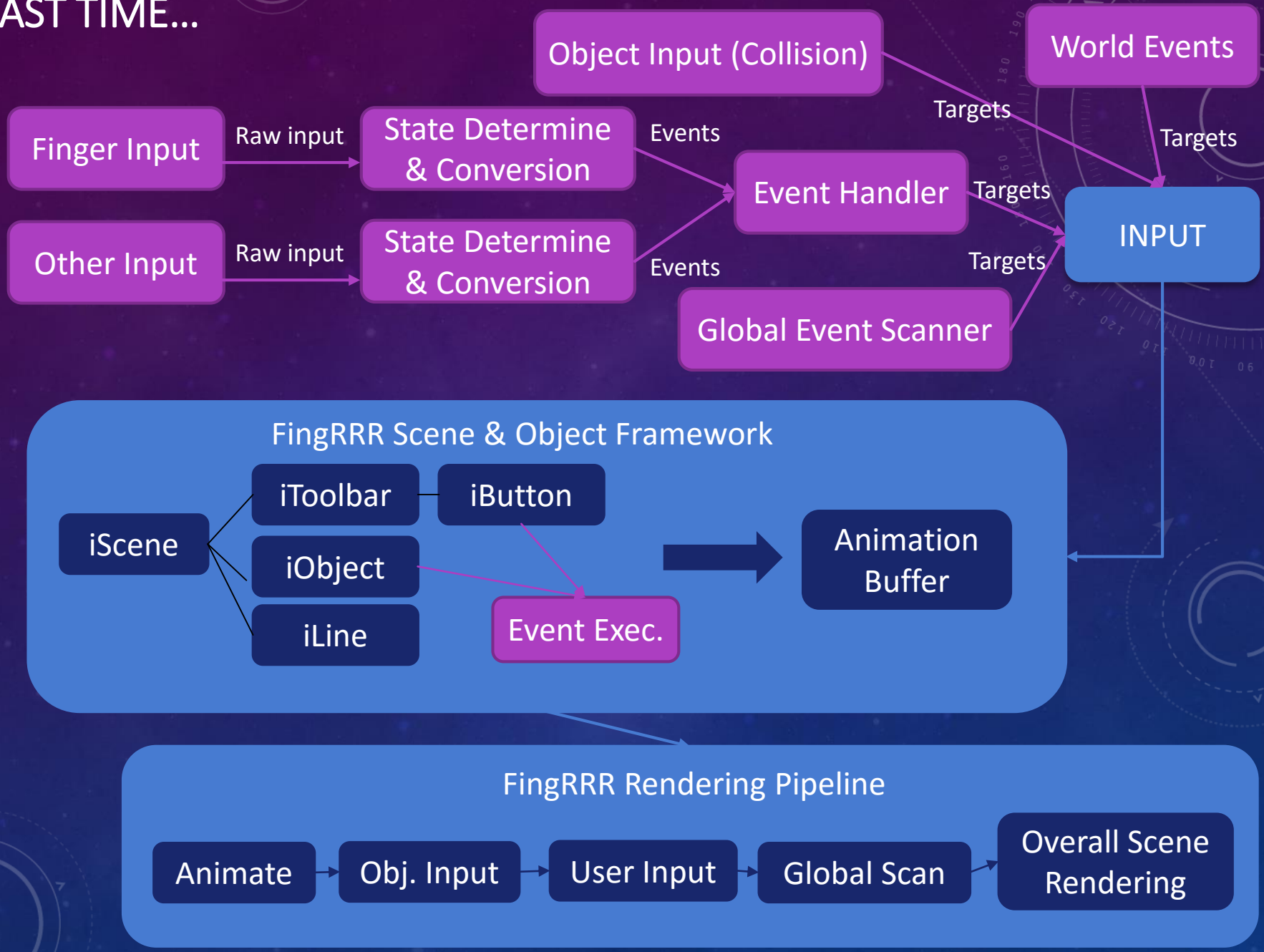
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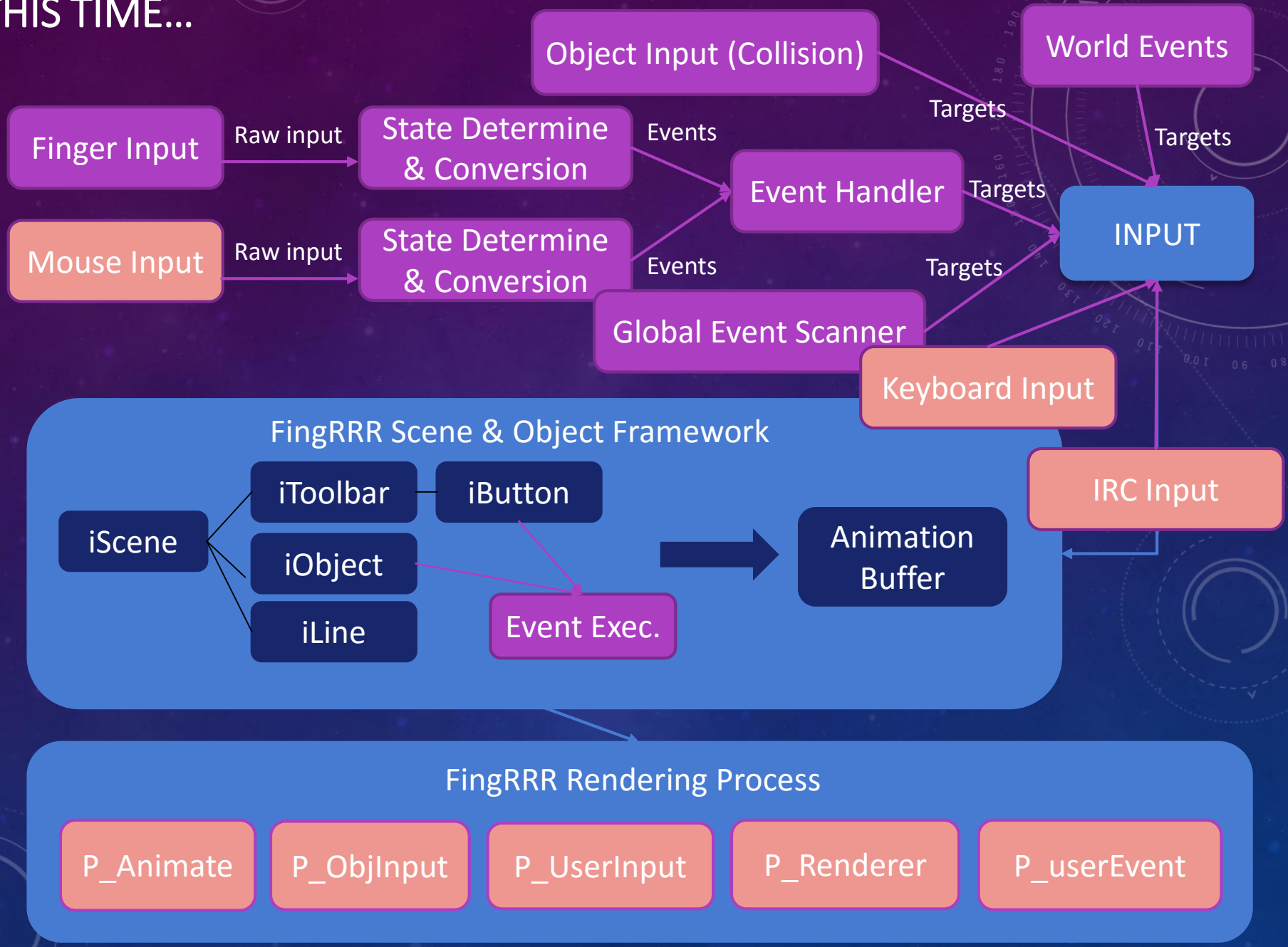
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Animation Buffer
FingRRR Rendering Process
P_Animate
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P_UserInput
P_Renderer
P_userEvent

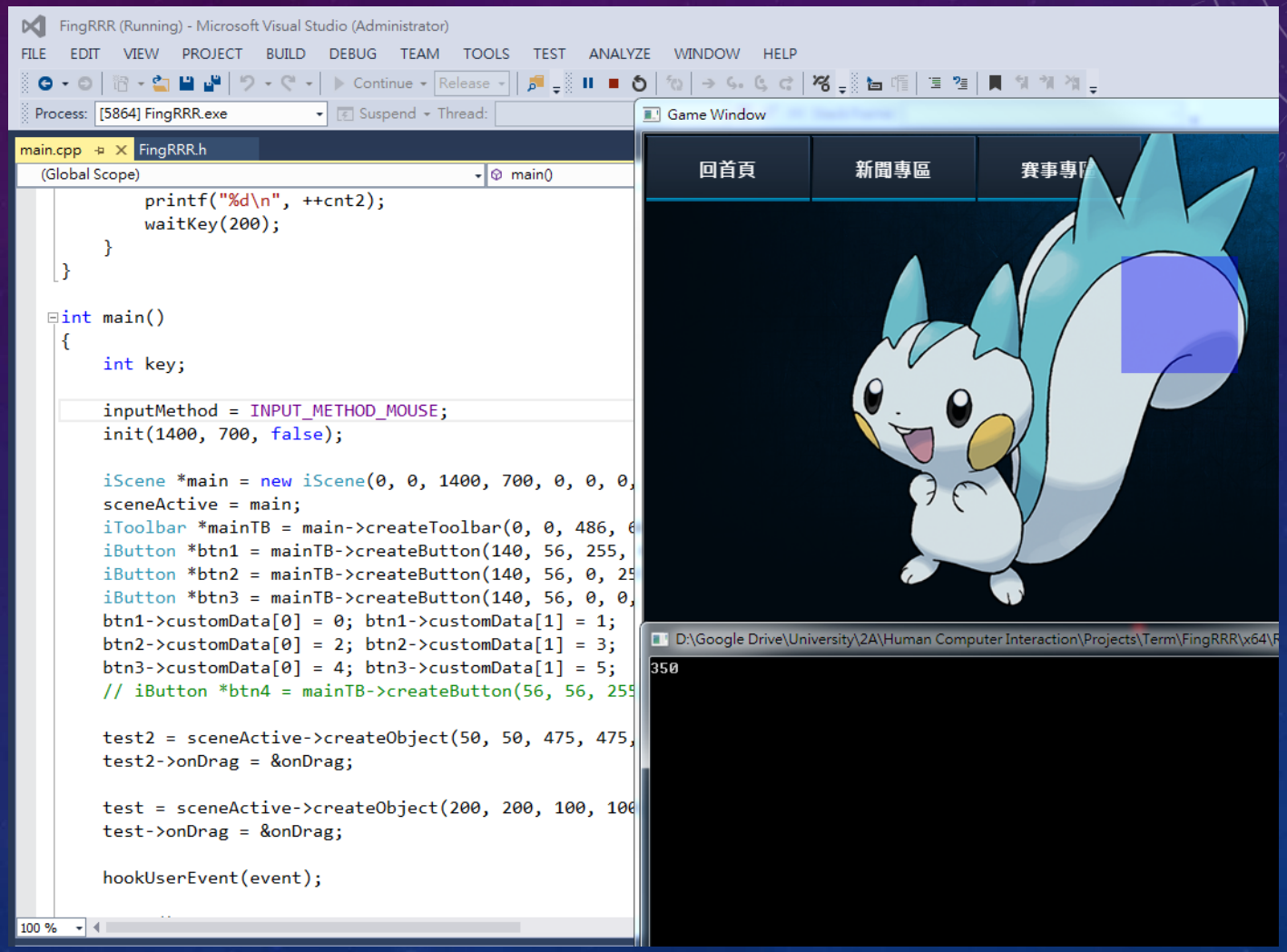
TERMINOLOGY

- Twitch (TV): a popular streaming platform, features IRC chat as their chat service
- Connect6: a famous puzzle game invented by Prof. I-Chen Wu from NCTU. The one who gets six or more stones in a row (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) first wins the game.

REFERENCES

- Twitch Plays Pokémon (2014)
  Twitch Plays Pokémon is a social experiment and channel on the video streaming website Twitch, consisting of a crowdsourced attempt to play Game Freak's and Nintendo's Pokémon video games by parsing commands sent by users through the channel's chat room.
  (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twitch_Plays_Pok%C3%A9mon)
- FingRRR (2014~2015)
  FingRRR is an extensible 2-D interaction framework structured on OpenCV v2.x written by Inishan (Me). The framework is extensible, thus allowing multiple input and other customization. (2015)
- C++ Console IRC Client (2011~2014)
  C++ Console IRC Client, as its name, is an IRC client written by Fredi Machado.
  (https://github.com/Fredi/IRCClient)

FINGRRR


FingRRR (Running) - Microsoft Visual Studio (Administrator)
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main.cpp
FingRRR.h
(Global Scope)
main()
printf("%d\n", ++cnt2);
waitKey(200);
}
}
int main()
{
int key;
inputMethod = INPUT_METHOD_MOUSE;
init(1400, 700, false);
iScene *main = new iScene(0, 0, 1400, 700, 0, 0, 0,
sceneActive = main;
iToolbar *mainTB = main->createToolbar(0, 0, 486,
iButton *btn1 = mainTB->createButton(140, 56, 255,
iButton *btn2 = mainTB->createButton(140, 56, 0, 25
iButton *btn3 = mainTB->createButton(140, 56, 0, 0,
btn1->customData[0] = 0; btn1->customData[1] = 1;
btn2->customData[0] = 2; btn2->customData[1] = 3;
btn3->customData[0] = 4; btn3->customData[1] = 5;
// iButton *btn4 = mainTB->createButton(56, 56, 255
test2 = sceneActive->createObject(50, 50, 475, 475,
test2->onDrag = &onDrag;
test = sceneActive->createObject(200, 200, 100, 100
test->onDrag = &onDrag;
hookUserEvent(event);
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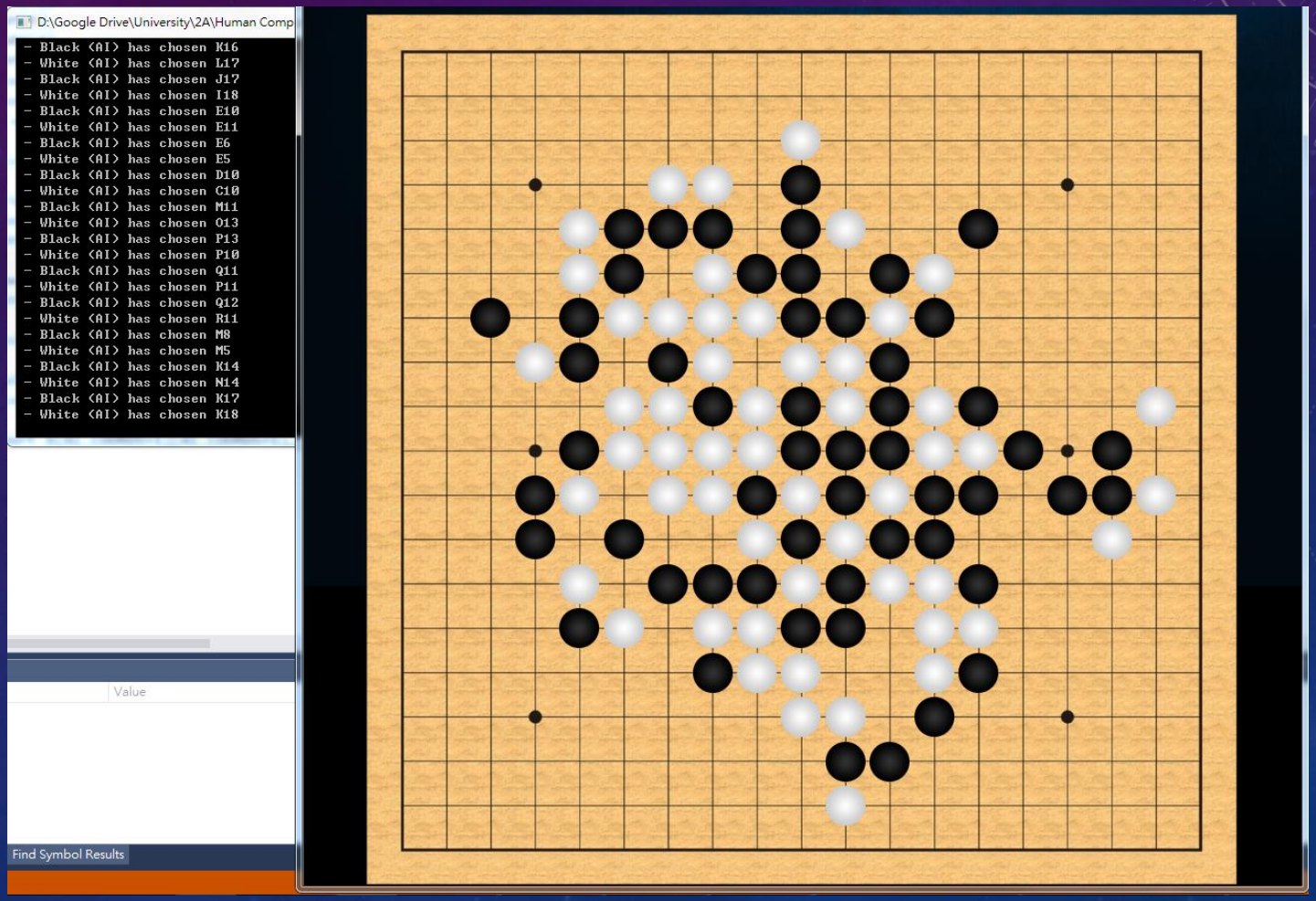
TWITCH PLAYS API

```
class TwitchPlays
{
public:
    pthread_t thr_listener;

    IRCClient client;
    char *host;
    int port;
    string nick, user;
    string password;
    string channel;

    volatile bool running;

    void (*callbackRaw)(string, string);

    TwitchPlays(const char *filename = "TwitchPlays.cfg");
    bool start();
    bool stop();
    void hookRaw(void (*cbRaw)(string, string));
    void sendMessage(string msg);
};
```

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



TECHNIQUES

- Multithreaded Programming
- Network Programming
- Artificial Intelligence

MULTITHREADED PROGRAMMING

- FingRRR itself uses 6 threads, each addresses main(keyboard input), animation, object interaction, finger and mouse input, renderer and user event, respectively.
- TwitchPlaysAPI uses 2+ threads, 1 serves as a listener to receive IRC messages and others are used for network programming.

```
void start()
{
    pthread_create(&thr_animate, NULL, P_animate, NULL);
    pthread_create(&thr_inpFromObjs, NULL, P_inpFromObjs, NULL);
    pthread_create(&thr_inp, NULL, P_inp, NULL);
    pthread_create(&thr_render, NULL, P_render, NULL);
    if (userEvent != NULL) pthread_create(&thr_userEvent, NULL, P_userEvent, NULL);
```

NETWORK PROGRAMMING

- I didn't touch too much on this part, but I did modify the IRC Client quite a bit (fixed some bugs, too) to fit my needs.

```
bool TwitchPlays::start()
{
    client.Debug(false);
    curTwitch = this;

    // Start the input thread
    // pthread_t thr_Inp;
    // pthread_create(&thr_Inp, NULL, inputThread, (void *)&client);

    pthread_create(&thr_listener, NULL, TwitchListener, (void *) this);

    while (!running) ; // still loading
    return true;
}

bool TwitchPlays::stop()
{
    running = false;
    return true;
}

void TwitchPlays::hookRaw(void (*cbRaw)(string, string))
{
    callbackRaw = client.callbackRaw = cbRaw;
}

void TwitchPlays::sendMessage(string msg)
{
    client.SendIRC("PRIVMSG #" + channel + " :" + msg);
}

void * TwitchListener(void *arg)
{
    TwitchPlays *twi = (TwitchPlays *)arg;
    IRCClient &irc = twi->client;
```

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

- Algorithms including Iterative Deepening and Heuristic Search.

```
#define AI_COORDS 19
#define AI_CONNECT 6
#define AI_BLACK 1
#define AI_WHITE 2
#define AI_MAXCONNECT 100
#define AI_MAXTRY 10000

using namespace std;

extern double riskFactor[AI_MAXCONNECT];
extern double riskWeight[AI_MAXCONNECT];
extern int mX[8];
extern int mY[8];
extern int mX4[4];
extern int mY4[4];
extern double thresDef;
extern double thresAtk;
extern char vst[AI_COORDS+1][AI_COORDS+1];

bool better(const int &, const int &, const int &, const int &);

extern int riskX, riskY;
extern double riskMax;
double dfs(short b[AI_COORDS+1][AI_COORDS+1], int d, const int &dLmt, const short &colorOppo);

extern int bestX, bestY;
void findBest(short b[AI_COORDS+1][AI_COORDS+1], short colorMy);

void myAI_init();

bool myAI_valid(int);
double calRisk(short b[AI_COORDS+1][AI_COORDS+1], short colorOppo);

void myAI(short b[AI_COORDS+1][AI_COORDS+1], short color, int &X, int &Y);
```

ADVANTAGES / UNIQUENESS

- Allows massive players to participate in a single game simultaneously.
- Highly cooperative and fun
- The interaction method itself is pretty unique
- The interaction method can potentially be useful in other areas. For instance, education and enterprises.
- I wrote most of the parts on my own !
  FingRRR: ~1500 lines.
  TwitchPlaysAPI: ~300 lines
  Connect6 AI: ~300 lines.

CONTRIBUTION

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Thanks for listening !