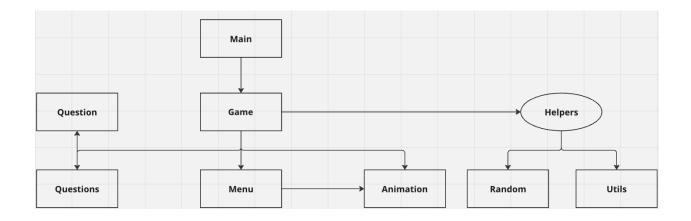
Who Wants to be a Millionaire? – A Nand2Tetris Jack Project

Concept:

Our project is based on the classic computer game "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?", which combines trivia questions with cash prizes. The project includes a start screen from which the player proceeds to the main game. During the game, the player must correctly answer 10 consecutive trivia questions (from a pool of 50). A wrong answer will cause the game to restart.

Project Architecture:



Here's a detailed breakdown of each class:

Main Class:

- A simple class with about 10 lines of code.
- Its purpose is to run an instance of the Game class.

• Game Class:

- Handles the core game logic, operations, and interactions between different screens, animations, and on-screen objects.
- In the constructor, we initialize an instance of the Questions class (serving as a database) to access the 50 stored questions.

- We create an array called askedQuestions to track the questions presented to the player, preventing repeat displays.
- The player's score is initialized to 0.
- o In the run method, the game loop runs and displays the start screen.
- The time it takes for the player to press a key is used as a "seed" to send a unique number to the Random class, creating the impression of receiving random questions in each round.
- After the player clicks "Play Now" on the start screen, the game screen is drawn.
 - The game screen includes a rectangle with the question text, four additional styled rectangles with the possible answers, and a right-side rectangle that acts as a score (money) gauge.
- When the player clicks an answer, the game checks if the answer is correct.
 - If correct, the game continues: a random index is used to fetch a new question, which is displayed immediately. The player's score is updated, and the question is added to askedQuestions to avoid repetition.
 - If incorrect, a classic "game over" screen is displayed, offering the option to return to the start screen and play again.
- If the player correctly answers 10 consecutive questions, they win, and the game ends.

Menu Class:

- Contains the home screen and buttons: "Play Now," "Instructions," and "Credits."
- Navigation between screens is done using the "Enter" and "Escape" keys.
- After each round (whether the player wins or loses), they are directed back to this screen.

Question Class:

- Responsible for the structure of a question.
- Contains the question text, an array of 4 possible answers, and a number indicating the index of the correct answer in the array.

• Questions Class:

Generates an array of approximately 50 Question objects.

• Random Class:

 A helper class that takes a specific number, performs a series of calculations on it, and returns a random number derived from those calculations.

Utils Class:

- o A utility class containing modulo and power functions.
- Assists in the calculations needed for generating the random number obtained from the Random class.

Animation Class:

- This class handles all the work done with bitmaps, including the construction of rectangles for the question, answers, and the money gauge.
- It also manages the creation of menu arrows and selection indicators for the questions.

Motivation:

Our goal was to create a game that would be both complex and innovative, yet feasible within the short timeframe of a week and a few days. Initially, we started working on a Snake game, but during its development, we realized that creating a high-quality version required more time.

Additionally, the game is not innovative, with numerous similar versions already developed in the Jack language and available online.

We decided to make a significant "pivot" and abandon our progress so far in favor of a game that could be completed in a short time while still offering a worthy challenge.

During our search, we noticed that a trivia game in the Jack language either did not exist or had not been published online. Since both of us played the "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" computer game in our childhood, the decision to develop such a game was made quickly.

Google drive link to our video showcasing the application: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EPJzXCGgcFCZ1wCyZBYGTCKXnLJvyz_8/view?usp=sharing

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