

Tank Game - Design Document

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1. Application Overview

The Tank Game is a single-player combat game where the player controls a tank to defeat an enemy house while avoiding obstacles and mines. The game combines real-time movement, projectile physics, and multi-threaded game mechanics.

2. Code Structure

2.1 Package Organization

```
src/main/java/com/tankgame/  
    - entities/    # Game objects and entities  
    - ui/          # UI components and game panel  
    - utils/       # Utility classes and enums
```

2.2 Classes

Entities Package

- **GameObject.java**: Abstract base class for all game objects
 - Provides common properties (position, dimensions)
 - Defines abstract methods for update and render
- **Tank.java**: Player-controlled tank
 - Handles movement and rotation
 - Manages health and missile firing
 - Uses smooth rotation animation
- **House.java**: Enemy building
 - Implements automated missile firing
 - Tracks player position for targeting
 - Manages health system
- **Mine.java**: Hazard object
 - Blinking animation (on/off)
 - Provides instant destruction on contact
- **Mountain.java**: Obstacle object
 - Immovable barrier
- **Missile.java**: Projectile object
 - Handles movement and collision
 - Distinguishes between player and house missiles

UI Package

- `GameWindow.java`: Main application window
 - Manages game layout
 - Handles window sizing and positioning
- `GamePanel.java`: Main game rendering panel
 - Pretty much handles everything
 - * Implements game loop
 - * Manages entity updates
 - * Handles collision detection
 - * Processes keyboard input
- `ControlPanel.java`: Game configuration panel
 - Provides difficulty sliders

Utils Package

- `Direction.java`: Enum for movement directions
 - Provides directional vectors
 - Handles rotation calculations

3. Threading Model

3.1 Main Game Thread

- Runs the game loop in `GamePanel`
- Manages fixed time step updates
- Handles entity movement and collision detection

3.2 Event Thread

- Manages UI updates and rendering
- Handles user input events
- Controls slider interactions

3.3 Thread Synchronization

- Used `ConcurrentHashMap` for key state tracking

4. Assumptions

- Screen resolution minimum of 800x600
- Missiles travel at constant speed
- Missiles cannot go through mountains
- Missiles can only move in eight directions