

# **SNAKE GAME USING JAVA SWING AND AWT LIBRARIES**

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## Overview:

- The Snake Game is a classic arcade-style game where the player controls a snake that grows in length as it consumes apples (red graphic circle on the window).
- The main objective is to navigate the snake around the game area, avoiding collisions with itself or the walls, while strategically consuming apples to increase its length.
- The game is developed in Java using Swing and AWT libraries.

## Key Highlights:

- A classic yet engaging game implementation.
- Utilizes core Java functionalities for game mechanics and user interaction.
- Showcases fundamental programming concepts applied to game development.

# TECHNICAL DETAILS & KEY ELEMENTS

## Programming Language Used:

- **Java:** The entire game is developed using the Java programming language, known for its versatility and platform independence.

## Libraries/Frameworks Utilized:

- **Swing and AWT (Abstract Window Toolkit):** These Java libraries are used for creating the graphical user interface (GUI) components, including windows, buttons, and panels.

## Key Elements:

- **Snake:** Controlled by the player using arrow keys, the snake moves across the screen.
- **Apples:** Represented as red graphic circle objects on the screen, the snake must consume these to grow.
- **Game Area:** A confined space where the snake moves, bounded by walls.

# GAME MECHANICS : HOW TO PLAY

The game is controlled using the arrow keys on the keyboard.

- **Up Arrow:** Move the snake upwards.
- **Down Arrow:** Move the snake downward.
- **Left Arrow:** Move the snake towards the left.
- **Right Arrow:** Move the snake towards the right.

## Objective:

- **Goal:** The primary goal is to guide the snake to eat apples, growing longer with each apple consumed, without colliding with itself or the walls.
- **Challenge:** As the snake grows longer, maneuvering becomes increasingly difficult, adding challenge and excitement to the gameplay.



**Inheritance** is utilized in the code for classes to inherit properties and behaviors from the parent classes.



**Loops** are used in methods for iterating through body parts to check collisions, manage the snake movement, etc.



**Arrays** are used to maintain the coordinates of the snake's body parts.



**Conditional Statements** such as if-else statements are used throughout the code for conditional checks such as collision, apple eaten, etc.



**Switch Statement** is used to control the movement of the snake based on the direction ('U', 'D', 'L', 'R') keys used by the user.



**Event Handling** mechanisms like `KeyListener` and `ActionListener` are used to capture keyboard events (`KeyEvent`) and timer events (`ActionEvent`).



**GUI Manipulation** is performed by setting properties of Swing components (`JFrame`, `JPanel`,  `JButton`) to create the game window, manage its appearance, and handle user interactions.

## LIST OF MECHANISMS AND PROGRAMMING CONSTRUCTS UTILIZED IN THE JAVA CODE FOR THE SNAKE GAME

# POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ADDITIONAL FEATURES

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## **1. Enhanced Levels:**

Introduce progressive levels with varying difficulty levels, adding new challenges as the player progresses.

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## **2. Power-ups:**

Implement power-ups or bonuses that can either help the snake grow faster or temporarily alter gameplay dynamics for added excitement.

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## **3. Multiplayer Mode:**

Develop a multiplayer feature allowing players to compete or cooperate in the same game space, enhancing the social aspect of the game.

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## **4. Customization Options:**

Provide options for players to customize the appearance of the snake, and game background, or even introduce themes.

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## **5. Sound Effects and Music:**

Integrate sound effects or background music to elevate the gaming experience and add ambiance.



**DEMO**



- On Execution rules will be displayed on the console.
- The Game will begin once the user presses 'Enter'.

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WELCOME TO THE SNAKE GAME!  
Few Rules before you start:  
1. Use the keys mentioned for navigating the Snake:  
   Up: The up arrow key (↑)  
   Down: The down arrow key (↓)  
   Left: The left arrow key (←)  
   Right: The right arrow key (→)  
2. Press Space bar for the Options Menu.  
   You will be given 2 options: 1. Quit Game 2. Restart Game  
  
All the best. Press 'Enter' to proceed.  
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- Window of the game that opens when we start the game.
- The score depicts the existing score.
- The red-colored object depicts the "Apple".
- The green-colored object depicts the "Snake".



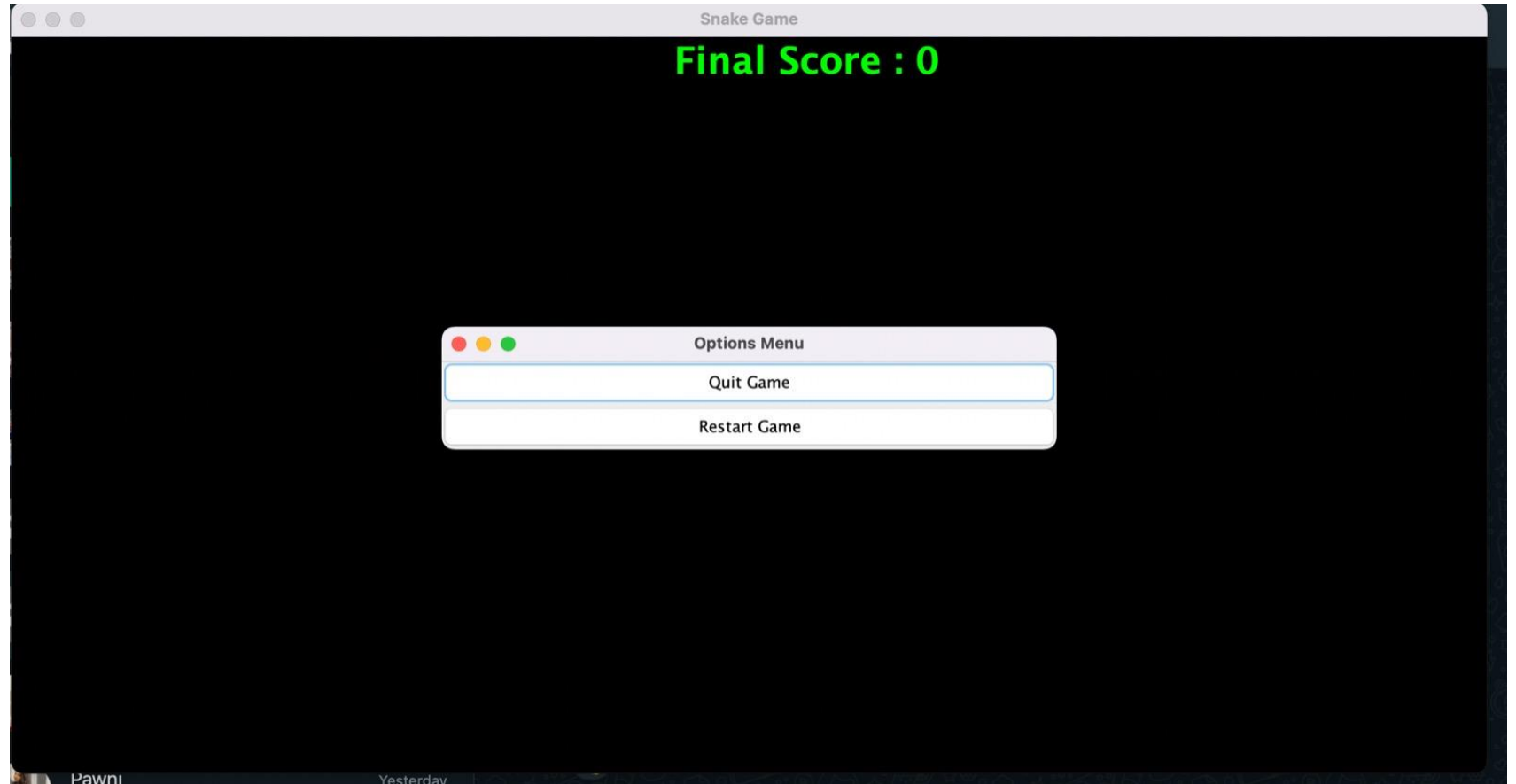
- We can see the increment in the score when the object is met by snake which also increases the snake's tail.



- "Game Over!" appears if the snake's head touches the length of it or crosses the game boundary.



- In order to Restart or Quit the game we need to press the spacebar.
- The screen depicts the Options Menu which appears while doing so.





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