# SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT Technician Project B Maze Game

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Dear Examiner,

Re: Enclosed documentation for the compilation of my apprenticeship

This maze game has covered the following competency of my apprenticeship: design, construction, testing and documentation.

The game itself revolves around a sheep trying to escape 'Olde World Farms'. He has fences in his way that reduce his life, but eating carrots and peppers increase it.

The application was built using javascript implementing HTML canvas API and using node js to serve a static server and is also hosted on Heroku <a href="https://oldeworle-mazegame.herokuapp.com/">https://oldeworle-mazegame.herokuapp.com/</a>

Yours Truly,

Siphiwe Manda



# 1. Project Overview

A maze game designed and implemented for "Olde World Phunne" which customers can get access to by visiting a website.

# 2. Analysis

The first risk involved with the project was the time allowed for development (a week). Within this time was required a working beta version of the maze, design considerations and documentation, handling of unforeseen errors and deployment issues as well as test scenarios or unit testing. It was important that the code covered the most important parts of the rubric and could be easily shown to scale up.

In order to show that the project can be scaled up, the code needed to be very modular and data needed to be easy to read in.

The gameplay would go User lands on the page - > user presses space to start -> user makes moves  $\rightarrow$  user lands on the end screen.

# 4. Design

# Game Play

A sheep is attempting to escape a farm. The sheep will have to get from the start of the maze, the top left corner, and find his way to a hay bundle which will transport the sheep and player to the next level.

# How to play

- Use the arrows on the keyboard to navigate the sheep around the obstacles
- Walk over the carrots and peppers to gain a life
- Navigate to the hay while trying to keep as many lives as possible
- Lives are indicated at the right-hand corner of the screen

## Characters

There are four playable characters which are different colours of sheep, although as this is a beta version the other characters have not yet been implemented. Currently, the only playable character is the pink sheep and he/she will be initialised on starting the game



# Background

The background is made of simple green grass tiles

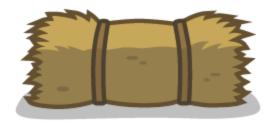


# **Obstacles**

The sheep's obstacles come in the form of fences that he will need to navigate around, bumping into a fence will lose the player one life



The goal of the sheep is to get to the hay barrel that will spawn randomly within the maze



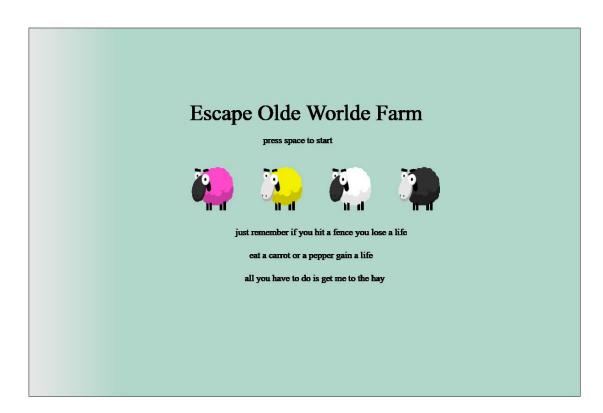
The other two maze attributes are peppers and carrots which will gain the player one life



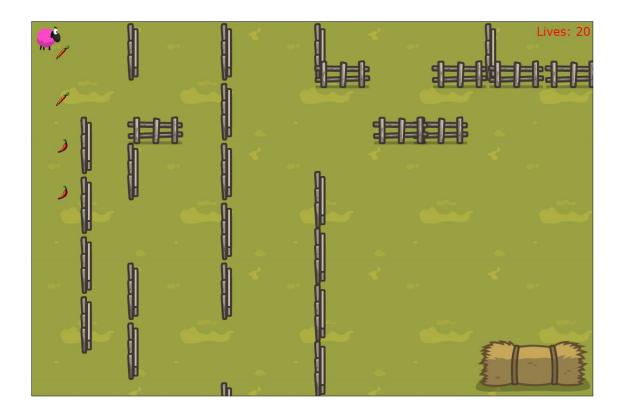
# Game playing area

The game is to be played on a website and the game playing area is a width of 1200pixels and a height of 800px

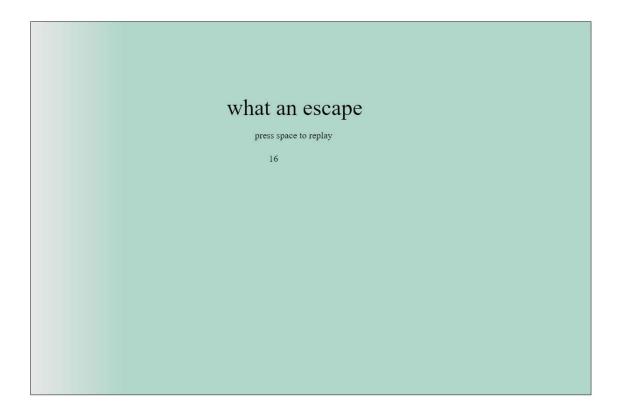
# Start Screen



# Game Screen



### End Screen



# **Data**

Game objects are read in from JSON files, this allows the game to be easily changed by adding or removing JSON files and works as an easy way to create and control configuration files. Examples of these can be found in the project code at src/data

## Assets

Game assets were acquired from Craftpix.Net for which I bought a licence, further information can be found here <a href="https://craftpix.net/file-licenses/">https://craftpix.net/file-licenses/</a>

# 5. Code

For hosting the application locally please read the README.md that can be found within the root directory of the project code.

The game is written in javascript using HTML canvas API and is hosted using express to sever a static website with node js.

The code has been commented to make the functions visible and easy to understand and javascript coding conventions have been followed by referencing (<a href="https://google.github.io/styleguide/jsguide.html">https://google.github.io/styleguide/jsguide.html</a>)

# 6. Testing

Testing was done using mocha, the test script is located at test/Test.js

Tests can be run in the terminal navigating into the project's root directory and running

# npm test

There are currently six unit tests that are checking the functionality of the collision method

This method checks whether a sheep has collided with a fence, using mock JSON data in order to pick where the sheep and fences would be. As part of continuous integration, these tests are also run every time the application is deployed

### Test One

```
it('should check that a sheep and a fence did not
collide', function () {
expect(CollisionFencevsSheep(500,400,fence)).to.be.true
});
```

This passes in the x and y coordinates of the sheep and the x and y coordinates of the fence. The method returns true if there was no collision.

# **Test Two**

```
it('should check that a sheep and a fence collided',
function () {
expect(CollisionFencevsSheep(100,200,fence)).to.be.fals
e
});
```

This passes in the x and y coordinates of the sheep and the x and y coordinates of the fence. The method returns false if there was a collision.

### Test three

```
it('should check that the sheep was in the bounds of
the game', function () {
expect(CollisionFencevsSheep(400,400,fence)).to.be.true
});
```

This passes in the x and y coordinates of the sheep and the method returns true if the sheep is within the bounds of the game

### Test four

```
it('should check the sheep was outside the bounds of
the game', function () {
expect(CollisionFencevsSheep(1300,0,fence)).to.be.false
});
```

This passes in the x and y coordinates of the sheep and the method returns false if the sheep is outside the bounds of the game

### **Test five**

```
it('should check that a sheep collided with a fruit and
return 0', function () {
   assert.isNumber(fruitCollision(200,200,fruit), "0")
});
```

This method returns 0 if the sheep and fruit collide passing the x and y of the sheep and the fruit. The test expects the return value to be zero

# **Test six**

```
it('should check that a sheep did not collide with a
fruit and return -1', function () {
   assert.isNumber(fruitCollision(600,600,fruit), "-1")
});
```

This method returns -1 if there is no sheep/fruit collision passing the x and y of the sheep and the fruit. The test expects the return value to be -1

### Test results

### **▼** TESTS SUCCEEDED

```
----> Running Node.js buildpack tests...
> gretescape@1.0.0 test /app
> mocha
#Collisions()

✓ should check that a sheep and a fence did not collide

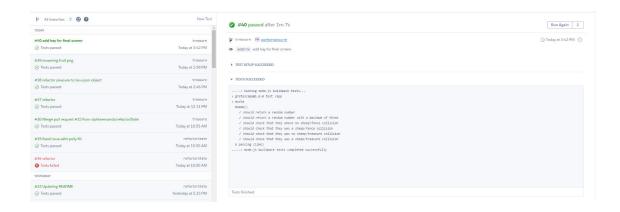
✓ should check that a sheep and a fence collided

✓ should check that the sheep was in the bounds of the game

✓ should check the sheep was outside the bounds of the game

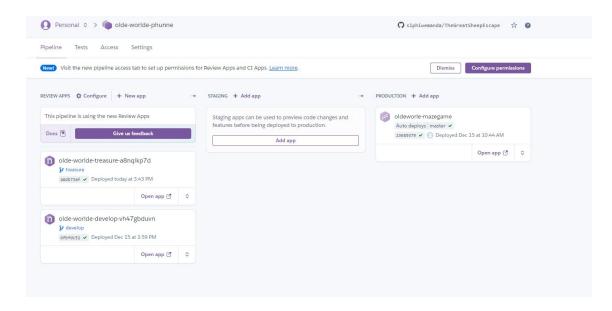
✓ should check that a sheep collided with a fruit and return 0

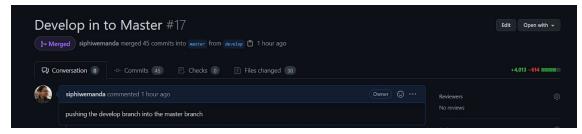
✓ should check that a sheep did not collide with a fruit and return -1
6 passing (14ms)
----> Node.js buildpack tests completed successfully
```



# 7. Deployment

The application is deployed to Heroku using a pipeline for the develop branch and the master branch where 'V1' version is hosted







# 8. Bugs

- Error in the console 'regenerator-runtime' is not defined if the window is refreshed with the development tools window open (seen in the chrome browser). If this happens please close to the development console and restart the application, or close the development console and reload the window.
- The score will continue reducing on the end screen if the player keeps pressing an arrow key
- The 'hay' and the 'fruit' occasionally flash of the screen
- The starting screen is looping over causing the starting text to look blurry, clearRect is not being called
- Collision around the sheep is sometimes larger and before the sheep is visibly in contact with a fence this causes the score to reduce before the user see contact with an obstacle

• Hay does not randomly spawn

# 9. Missing Functionality and V2

- Adding additional mazes, this should be a simple process as the code is very
  modular and would simply require adding more JSON files and allowing the state to
  read in more screens when a sheep has got to the hay (end zone) this would involve
  adding a method that controls which JSON file is being read in this method could be
  called by the game class when drawing the playing screen to randomly generate
  mazes
- The hay is hardcoded in instead of appearing randomly on the screen, the hay needs to randomly spawn anywhere on the map. This could be achieved by adding a function that creates random x and y coordinates and then passing those coordinates to the Draw.Hay() function. These coordinates would also need to be passed to the game class constructor as they would be needed to end the game.
- Animate the direction in which the sheep is walking instead of just facing right, this
  would mean updating the sheep draw function. Adding a sprite sheet that contains
  all the walking directions of the sheep. And then changing the index of the cell
  being drawn depending on what button the user pressed.
- Animate the sheep on the loading screen for better aesthetics
- Add an animate sheep to the end screen depending on the results of the game a 'dizzy' sheep if lost or a 'happy' sheep if won. This would involve updating the end screens draw function and adding an animation loop.