Game of Pong

Overview and starting development

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Idea is based on Reas and Fry (2014) example

Demo of
Pong Game V3.0

Classes in the PongGameV3.0

PongGame
ball *paddle*
setup() ***draw()*** ***hitPaddle(paddle, ball)***

Paddle
Xcoord *yCoord* *paddleHeight* *paddleWidth*
Paddle(int, int) *update()* *display()* *getXCoord()* *getYCoord()* *getPaddleWidth()* *getPaddleHeight()* *setPaddleWidth(int)* *setPaddleHeight(int)*

Ball
xCoord *yCoord* *diameter* *speedX* *speedY*
Ball(float) *update()* *display()* *hit()* *getXCoord()* *getYCoord()* *getDiameter()* *setDiameter(float)* *resetBall()*

No changes in Ball and Paddle class.

In PongGame, the draw() method is updated to call the new hitPaddle method.

hitPaddle uses a collision detection algorithm and returns true if the paddle and ball are touching and false otherwise.

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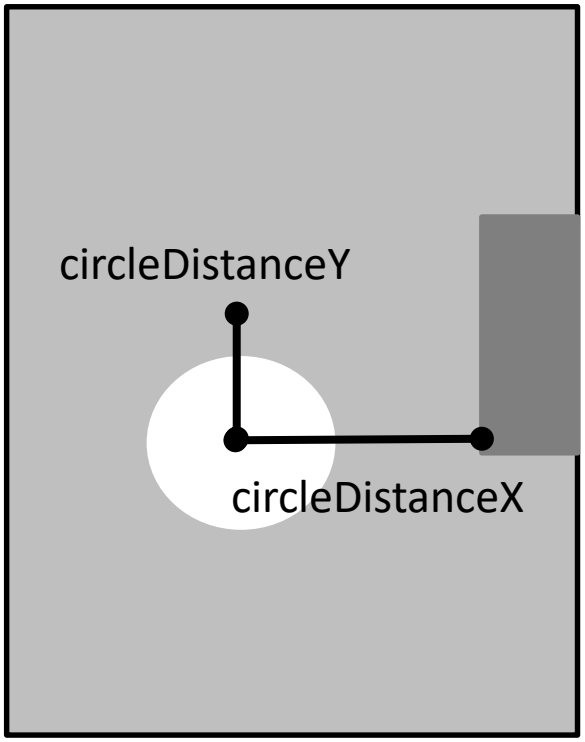
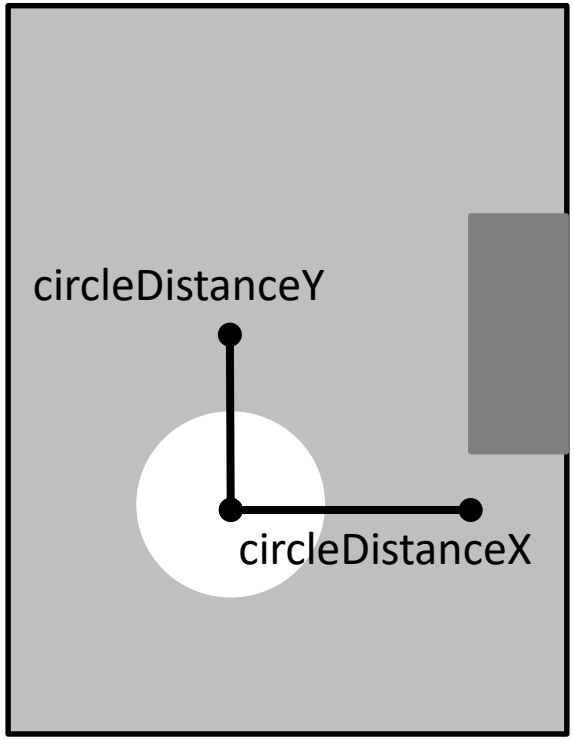
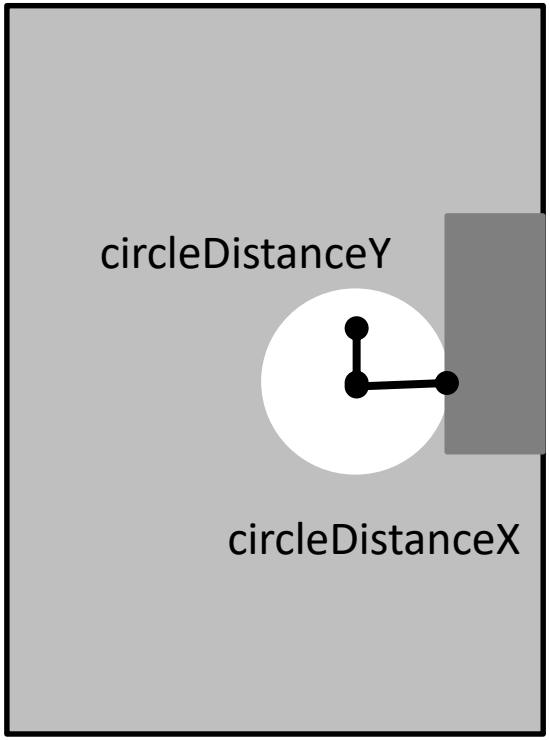
Measuring magnitude of the gap between the paddle and ball.

We need to first calculate how far away the ball is from the paddle on both the x and the y axis e.g.:







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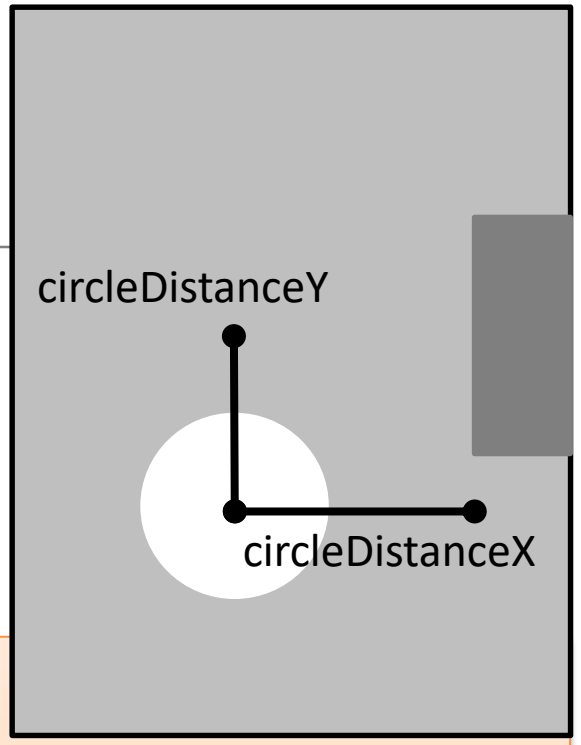


```
boolean hitPaddle(Paddle paddle, Ball ball)
{

//These variables measure the magnitude of the gap between the paddle and ball.
  float circleDistanceX
            = abs(ball.getXCoord() - paddle.getXCoord());
  float circleDistanceY
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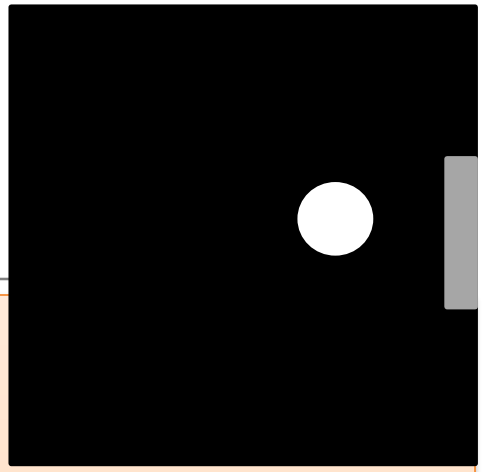

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   //The Ball is too far away from the Paddle on the X axis to have a collision,
   //so abandon collision detection
   if (circleDistanceX > (ball.getDiameter()/2)) {
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   }
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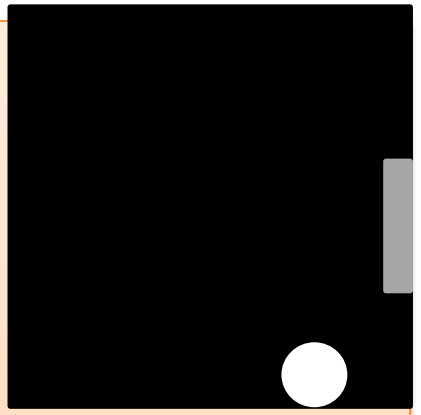

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  }

  //The Ball is too far away from the Paddle on the Y axis to have a collision,
  //so abandon collision detection
  if (circleDistanceY > (paddle.getPaddleHeight()/2 + ball.getDiameter()/2)) {
      return false;
  }
  // more code omitted…
}
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If ball is too far away from the Paddle on the Y axis → return false

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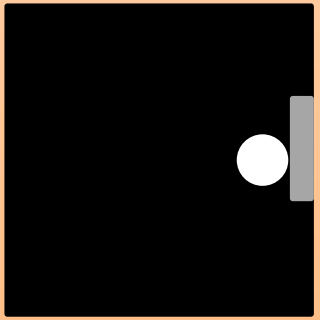
  //so abandon collision detection
  if (circleDistanceY > (paddle.getPaddleHeight()/2 + ball.getDiameter()/2)) {
      return false;
  }
  //We have a collision
  return true;
}
```

We have a collision



hitPaddle(paddle, ball) method

- We will call the hit(ball, paddle) method from the draw() method in our main PongGame class.

```
void draw(){
  background(0);      //Clear the background
  paddle.update();    //Update the paddle location in line with the cursor
  paddle.display();   //Draw the paddle in this new location
  ball.update();      // update the ball position.
  ball.display();     //Draw the ball at its new location

  //Set variable to true if ball and paddle are overlapping, false if not
  boolean collision = hitPaddle(paddle, ball);
  if (collision == true){
    ball.hit();       //the ball is hit i.e. reverse direction.
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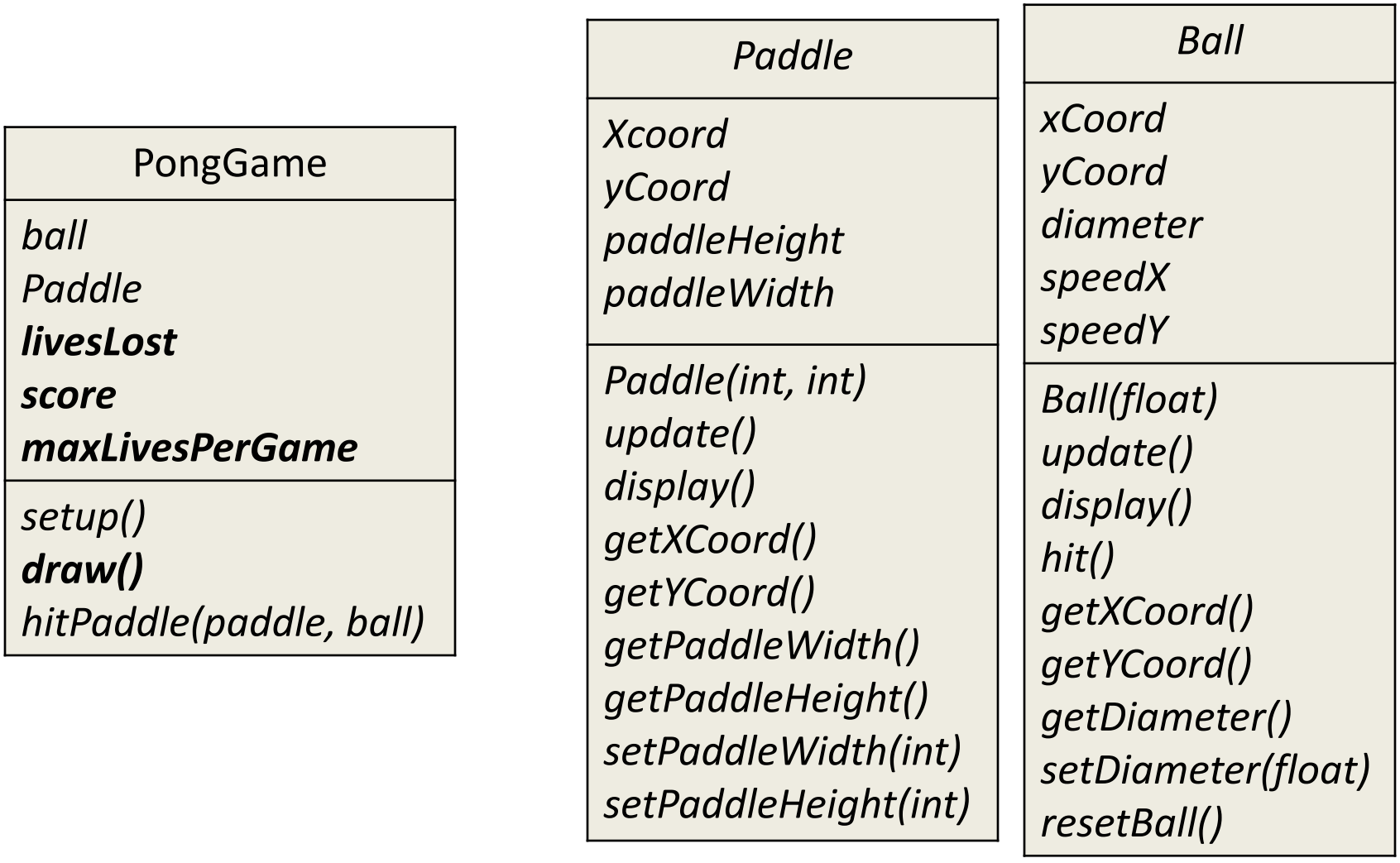
Demo of
Pong Game V4.0

PongGameV4.0

- This version stores game information:
  - The number of lives lost
  - The maximum lives allowed per game
  - The score of the game
- The game ends when the user loses the number of lives allowed per game.
- There are no changes in the Ball and Paddle class; all changes will be in the PongGameV4.0 class.

Classes in the PongGameV4.0



PongGameV4.0 class – global fields

```
//Current game data
int livesLost = 0;                //keeps track of number of lives lost in current game
int score = 0;                    //high score of the current game
int maxLivesPerGame = 3;          //maximum number of lives that can be lost
                                  //before the game ends
```

PongGameV4.0 class – draw (1)

Version 3.0

```
 // Update the ball position.
ball.update();
```

Version 4.0

```
// Update the ball position.  If true is returned, the ball has left the display
 // window i.e. a life is lost
 if (ball.update() == true){
      livesLost++;
      println("Lives lost:  "  + livesLost);
}
```

PongGameV4.0 class – draw (2)

Version 3.0

```
//Draw the ball at its new location and check for a collision with the paddle
ball.display();
//Set variable to true if ball and paddle are overlapping, false if not
boolean collision = hitPaddle(paddle, ball);
if (collision == true){
   ball.hit();       //the ball is hit i.e. reverses direction.
}
```

PongGameV4.0 class – draw (3)

Version 4.0

```
//If the player still has a life left in the current game,
//draw the ball at its new location and check for a collision with the paddle
if (livesLost < maxLivesPerGame){
   ball.display();
   //Set variable to true if ball and paddle are overlapping, false if not
   boolean collision = hitPaddle(paddle, ball);
   if (collision == true){
      ball.hit();     //the ball is hit i.e. reverses direction.
      score++;      //increase score in the current game by 1, if the player hit the ball.
      println("Score:  "  + score);
   }
}
//The player has no lives left so the game ends
else{
     println("Game Over!");
     println("You have lost all of your lives:  "  + livesLost);
     println("Your final score is:  "  + score);
     exit();
  }
```

PongGameV4.0 – sample output

```
Lives lost:  1
Score:  1
Score:  2
Score:  3
Score:  4
Lives lost:  2
Lives lost:  3
Game Over!
You have lost all of your lives:  3
Your final score is:  4
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Demo of
Pong Game V5.0

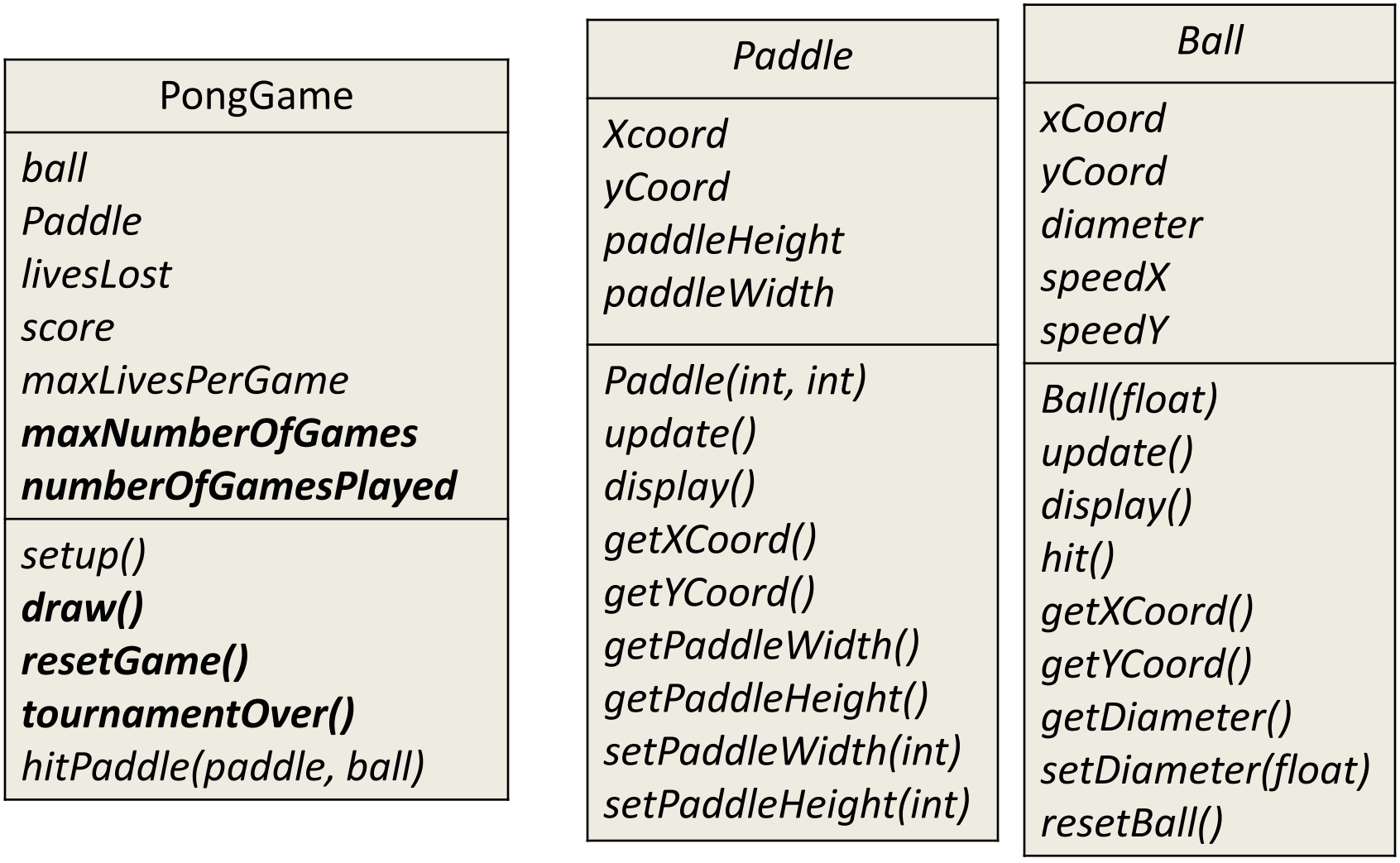
PongGameV5.0

- This version stores tournament information:
  - The number of games in a tournament.
  - The number of games played so far.

- If the number of games in the tournament is over, end the program.

- There are no changes in the Ball and Paddle class; all changes will be in the PongGameV5.0 class.

Classes in the PongGameV5.0



PongGameV5.0 class – global fields

```
//Tournament data
int maxNumberOfGames = 5;      //maximum number of games in a tournament
int numberOfGamesPlayed = 0;  //num of games played, so far, in a tournament
```

PongGameV5.0 class – draw (1)

Version 4.0

```
//If the player still has a life left in the current game,
//draw the ball at its new location and check for a collision with the paddle
if (livesLost < maxLivesPerGame){
   //displays the ball code
   //if the ball and paddle are overlapping, hit the ball and increase the score by 1
}
//The player has no lives left so the game ends
else{
    println("Game Over!");
    println("You have lost all of your lives:  "  + livesLost);
    println("Your final score is:  "  + score);
    exit();
}
```

PongGameV5.0 class – draw (2)

Version 5.0

```
//If the player still has a life left in the current game,
//draw the ball at its new location and check for a collision with the paddle
if (livesLost < maxLivesPerGame){
    //displays the ball code
    //if the ball and paddle are overlapping, hit the ball and increase the score by 1
}
//The player has no lives left so the game ends
else{
    numberOfGamesPlayed++;
    //If the player has more games left in the tournament,
    //display their score and ask them if they want to continue with tournament.
    if (numberOfGamesPlayed < maxNumberOfGames)
        resetGame();
    else
        //the player has no more games left in the tournament
        tournamentOver();
}
```

PongGameV5.0 class – resetGame()

```
// method prepares for the next game by resetting the variables //
that store the current game information.
void resetGame()
{
    println("Game Over!");
    println("Starting a new game...");
    livesLost = 0;      //resets the lives lost in the current game to zero
    score = 0;          //resets the score of the current game to zero
}
```

PongGameV5.0 class – tournamentOver ()

```
// method displays the player information, before exiting
// the program.
void tournamentOver()
{
    println("Game Over!");
    println("Tournament Over!");
    exit();
}
```

PongGameV5.0 – sample output

```
Score:  1
Score:  2
Lives lost:  1
Score:  3
Lives lost:  2
Score:  4
Lives lost:  3
Game Over!
Starting a new game...
Lives lost:  1
Lives lost:  2
Lives lost:  3
Game Over!
```

```
Starting a new game...
Score:  1
Score:  2
Lives lost:  1
Score:  3
Lives lost:  2
Lives lost:  3
Game Over!
Starting a new game...
Score:  1
Lives lost:  1
Score:  2
Lives lost:  2
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```
Starting a new game...
Lives lost:  1
Score:  1
Score:  2
Lives lost:  2
Lives lost:  3
Game Over!
Tournament Over!
```

5 games in tournament
3 lives in a game

Questions?

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