



# Week 9

## Writing Games with Pygame

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# Inheritance

```
class name(superclass) :  
    statements
```

– Example:

```
class Point3D(Point) :           # Point3D extends Point  
    z = 0                         # add a z field  
    ...
```

- Python also supports *multiple inheritance*

```
class name(superclass, ..., superclass) :  
    statements
```

# Calling Superclass Methods

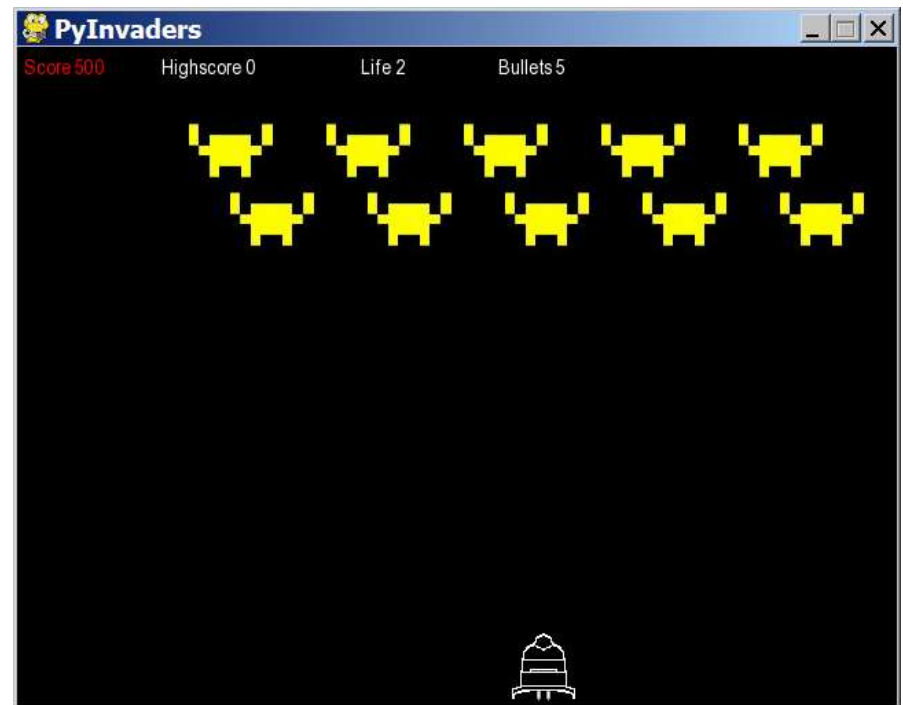
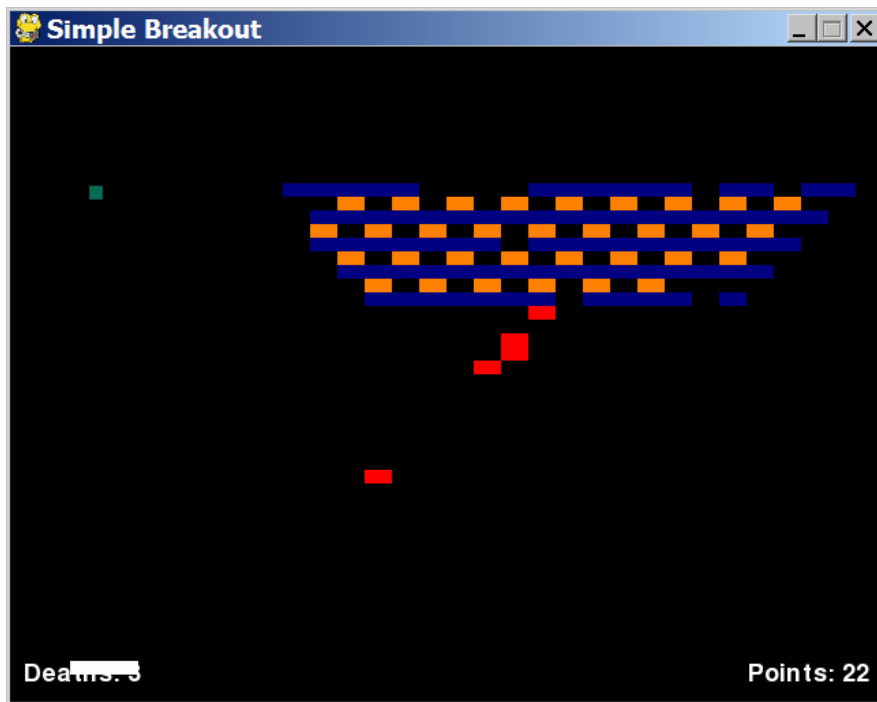
- methods: **class.method(parameters)**
- constructors: **class.\_\_init\_\_(parameters)**

```
class Point3D(Point):  
    z = 0  
  
    def __init__(self, x, y, z):  
        Point.__init__(self, x, y)  
        self.z = z  
  
    def translate(self, dx, dy, dz):  
        Point.translate(self, dx, dy)  
        self.z += dz
```

# Pygame



- A set of Python modules to help write games
- Deals with media (pictures, sound) nicely
- Interacts with user nicely (keyboard, joystick, mouse input)



# Installing Pygame

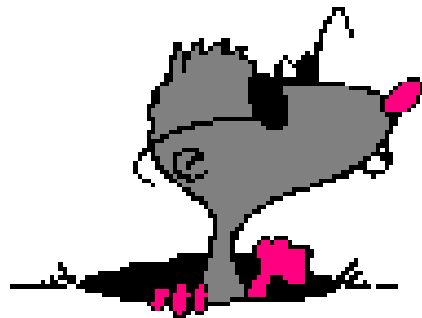
- Go to the Pygame web site: <http://www.pygame.org/>
  - click 'Downloads' at left
  - Windows users: under the 'Windows' section,
    - click the most recent version  
(as of this quarter, that is [pygame-1.8.1.win32-py2.6.msi](#))
  - Mac users: under the 'Macintosh' section,
    - click the most recent version  
(as of this quarter, [pygame-1.8.1release-py2.5-macosx10.5.zip](#))
  - save file to hard disk
  - run file to install it

# Other Resources

- Pygame documentation: <http://www.pygame.org/docs/>
  - lists every class in Pygame and its useful behavior
- The Application Programming Interface ([API](#))
  - specifies the classes and functions in package
- Search for [tutorials](#)
- Experiment!

# Our Goal: Whack-a-Mole

- Clicking on the mole plays a sound and makes mole move
- Number of hits is displayed at top of screen
- Enhancements
  - hit the mole with a shovel cursor
  - make the mole move around every 1 second if he's not hit



# Initializing a Game

- Import Pygame's relevant classes:

```
import sys
import pygame
from pygame import *
from pygame.locals import *
from pygame.sprite import *
```

- Initialize Pygame at the start of your code:

```
pygame.init()
```



# Creating a Window

```
name = display.set_mode((width, height)[, options])
```

Example:

```
screen = display.set_mode((640, 480))
```

- Options:

FULLSCREEN	- use whole screen instead of a window
DOUBLEBUF	- display buffering for smoother animation
OPENGL	- 3D acceleration (don't use unless needed)

Example:

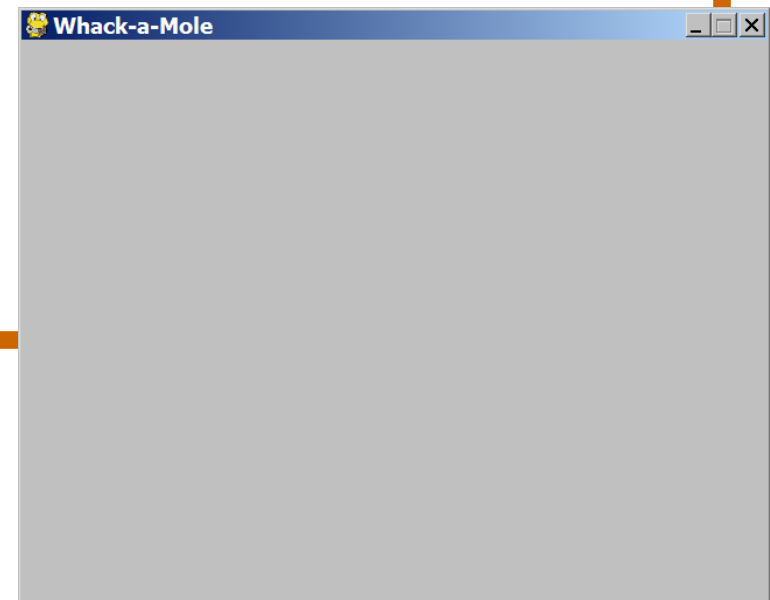
```
screen = display.set_mode((1024, 768), FULLSCREEN)
```

# Initial Game Program

- An initial, incomplete game file using Pygame:

## whack\_a\_mole.py

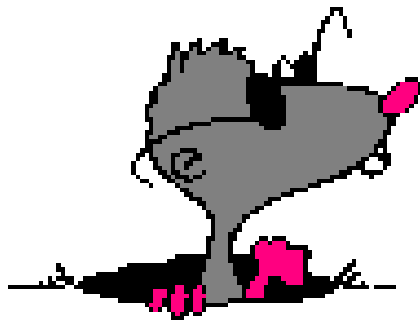
```
1 import pygame
2 from pygame import *
3 from pygame.locals import *
4 from pygame.sprite import *
5
6 pygame.init()
7
8 # set window title
9 display.set_caption("Whack-a-Mole")
10
11 screen = display.set_mode((640, 480))
12
```



# Sprites

Next we must define all the *sprites* found in the game.

- **sprite**: A character, enemy, or other object in a game.
  - Sprites can move, animate, collide, and be acted upon
  - Sprites usually consist of an *image* to draw on the screen and a *bounding rectangle* indicating the sprite's collision area
- Pygame sprites are objects that extend the `Sprite` class.



# Programming a Sprite

```
class name(Sprite):  
    # constructor  
    def __init__(self):  
        Sprite.__init__(self)  
        self.image = image.load("filename")  
        self.rect = self.image.get_rect()
```

## other methods (if any)

– Pre-defined fields in every sprite:

`self.image` - the image or shape to draw for this sprite

- images are `Surface` objects, loaded by `image.load` function

`self.rect` - position and size of where to draw the image

# Sprite Example

```
# A class for a mole sprite to be whacked.  
class Mole(Sprite):  
    def __init__(self):  
        Sprite.__init__(self)  
        self.image = image.load("mole.gif")  
        self.rect = self.image.get_rect()
```

# Sprite Groups

```
name = Group(sprite1, sprite2, ...)
```

– To draw sprites on screen, they must be put into a Group

Example:

```
my_mole = Mole()      # create a Mole object  
all_sprites = Group(my_mole)
```

Group methods:

- draw(**surface**) - draws all sprites in group onto a surface
- update() - updates every sprite's appearance

# Surface

- In Pygame, every 2D object is an object of type `Surface`
  - The screen object returned from `display.set_mode()`, each game character, images, etc.
  - Useful methods in each `Surface` object:

Method Name	Description
<code>fill((<b>red</b>, <b>green</b>, <b>blue</b>))</code>	paints surface in given color ( <i>rgb 0-255</i> )
<code>get_width()</code> , <code>get_height()</code>	returns the dimensions of the surface
<code>get_rect()</code>	returns a <code>Rect</code> object representing the x/y/w/h bounding this surface
<code>blit(<b>src</b>, <b>dest</b>)</code>	draws this surface onto another surface

# Drawing and Updating

- All Surface and Group objects have an `update` method that redraws that object when it moves or changes.
- Once sprites are drawn onto the screen, you must call `display.update()` to see the changes

```
my_mole = Mole()      # create a Mole object
all_sprites = Group(my_mole)
all_sprites.draw(screen)
display.update()    # redraw to see the sprites
```



# Game Program v2

## whack\_a\_mole.py

```
1 import pygame
2 from pygame import *
3 from pygame.locals import *
4 from pygame.sprite import *
5
6 class Mole(Sprite):
7     def __init__(self):
8         Sprite.__init__(self)
9         self.image = image.load("mole.gif")
10        self.rect = self.image.get_rect()
11
12 # main
13 pygame.init()
14 display.set_caption("Whack-a-Mole")
15 screen = display.set_mode((640, 480))
16
17 my_mole = Mole() # initialize sprites
18 all_sprites = Group(my_mole)
19 screen.fill((255, 255, 255)) # white background
20 all_sprites.draw(screen)
21 display.update()
22
```



# Event-Driven Programming

- **event:** A user interaction with the game, such as a mouse click, key press, clock tick, etc.
- **event-driven programming:** Programs with an interface that waits for user events and responds to those events.
- Pygame programs need to write an *event loop* that waits for a Pygame event and then processes it.

# Event Loop Template

```
# after Pygame's screen has been created
while True:
    name = event.wait()           # wait for an event
    if name.type == QUIT:
        pygame.quit()           # exit the game
        break
    elif name.type == type:
        code to handle another type of events
    ...

code to update/redraw the game between events
```

# Mouse Clicks

- When the user presses a mouse button, you get events with a type of `MOUSEBUTTONDOWN` and `MOUSEBUTTONUP`.
  - mouse movement is a `MOUSEMOTION` event
- `mouse.get_pos()` returns the mouse cursor's current position as an `(x, y)` tuple

Example:

```
ev = event.wait()  
if ev.type == MOUSEBUTTONDOWN:  
    # user pressed a mouse button  
    x, y = mouse.get_pos()
```

# Key Presses

- When the user presses a keyboard key, you get events with a type of `KEYDOWN` and then `KEYUP`.
  - event contains `.key` field representing what key was pressed
  - Constants for different keys: `K_LEFT`, `K_RIGHT`, `K_UP`, `K_DOWN`, `K_a` - `K_z`, `K_0` - `K_9`, `K_F1` - `K_F12`, `K_SPACE`, `K_ESCAPE`, `K_LSHIFT`, `K_RSHIFT`, `K_LALT`, `K_RALT`, `K_LCTRL`, `K_RCTRL`, ...

Example:

```
ev = event.wait()
if ev.type == KEYDOWN:
    if ev.key == K_ESCAPE:
        pygame.quit()
```

# Collision Detection

- **collision detection:** Noticing whether one sprite or object has touched another, and responding accordingly.
  - A major part of game programming
- In Pygame, collision detection is done by examining sprites, rectangles, and points, and asking whether they intersect.



# Rect

- a 2D rectangle associated with each sprite (`.rect` field)
  - Fields: `top`, `left`, `bottom`, `right`, `center`, `centerx`, `centery`, `topleft`, `topright`, `bottomleft`, `bottomright`, `width`, `height`, `size`, ...

Method Name	Description
<code>collidepoint(<b>p</b>)</code>	returns <code>True</code> if this Rect contains the point
<code>collidect(<b>rect</b>)</code>	returns <code>True</code> if this Rect contains the rect
<code>contains(<b>rect</b>)</code>	returns <code>True</code> if this Rect contains the other
<code>move(<b>x</b>, <b>y</b>)</code>	moves a Rect to a new position
<code>inflate(<b>dx</b>, <b>dy</b>)</code>	grow/shrink a Rect in size
<code>union(rect)</code>	joins two Rects

# Collision Example

- Detecting whether a sprite touches the mouse cursor:

```
ev = event.wait()
if ev.type == MOUSEBUTTONDOWN:
    if sprite.rect.collidepoint(mouse.get_pos()):
        # then the mouse cursor touches the sprite
        ...
```

- **Exercise:** Detect when the user clicks on the Mole. Make the mole run away by fleeing to a new random location from (0, 0) to (600, 400).



# Exercise Solution

```
class Mole(Sprite):
    def __init__(self):
        Sprite.__init__(self)
        self.image = image.load("mole.gif")
        self.rect = self.image.get_rect()

    def flee(self):
        self.rect.left = randint(0, 600)    # random location
        self.rect.top = randint(0, 400)

...

while True:
    ev = event.wait()                    # wait for an event
    if ev.type == QUIT:
        pygame.quit()
        break
    elif ev.type == MOUSEBUTTONDOWN:
        if my_mole.rect.collidepoint(mouse.get_pos()):
            my_mole.flee()
```