

Multimedia-Programmierung

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Today

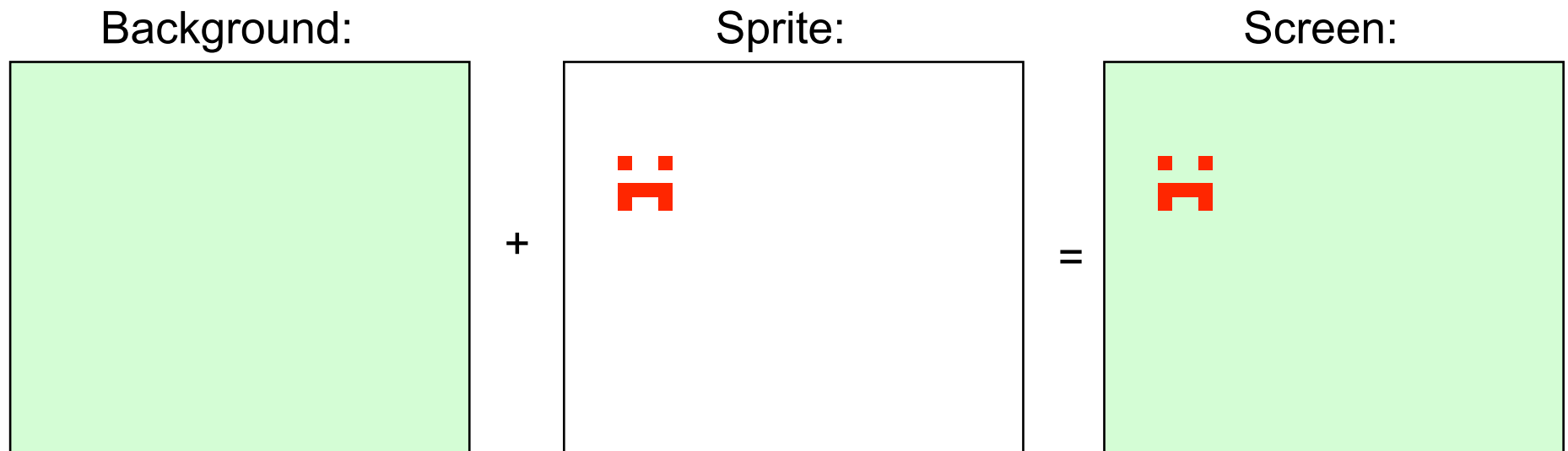
- Sprites and  Pygame

Literature: W. McGugan, Beginning Game Development with Python and Pygame, Apress 2007

Sprites

a.k.a. Spooky things that move but are not really there

- Historically:
 - something that is laid over the background
 - implemented in hardware
- Today:
 - anything that moves over the screen
 - hardware fast enough -> sprites are now software-generated





Sprites in Pygame

- Module `pygame.sprite` provides basic classes and methods to handle sprites
- Class `pygame.sprite.Sprite` used as base class for game objects
- Group Objects are provided as containers/lists for sprites
- Collision detection included
- <http://www.pygame.org/docs/ref/sprite.html>



The Sprite Class

- Sprite objects **must** contain an image and a location
- `self.image` is a Surface that contains the image information
- `self.rect` is a Rect object that determines the location of the sprite
- A subclass of Sprite should also overwrite the `update()` method
- Contains derived methods that handle the object in groups:
 - `kill()` removes the sprite from all groups
 - `remove(*groups)` removes the sprite from a list of groups
 - `add(*groups)` adds the sprite to groups
 - `groups()` returns a list of groups the sprite belongs to
 - `alive()` tests whether the sprite belongs to any groups

Our First Sprite



```
import pygame
from pygame.locals import *
```

```
class Box(pygame.sprite.Sprite):
```

```
    def __init__(self, color, initial_position):
```

```
        pygame.sprite.Sprite.__init__(self)
```

```
        self.image = pygame.Surface((20,20))
```

```
        self.image.fill(color)
```

```
        self.rect = self.image.get_rect()
```

```
        self.rect.topleft = initial_position
```

← call the superclass constructor

← define the image Surface

← define the rect

```
    def update(self):
```

```
        pass
```

```
pygame.init()
```

```
screen = pygame.display.set_mode((640, 480), 0, 32)
```

```
box = Box((255,0,0),(0,0))
```

```
while True:
```

```
    for event in pygame.event.get():
```

```
        if event.type == QUIT:
```

```
            exit()
```

```
    screen.fill((0, 0, 0))
```

```
    screen.blit(box.image, box.rect)
```

```
    pygame.display.update()
```

← blit the sprite

Result:





Using the update Method

- Update can hold any number of arguments
- For efficient use of groups, sprites that do the same should have the same arguments

```
class Box(pygame.sprite.Sprite):
    def __init__(self, color, initial_position):
        pygame.sprite.Sprite.__init__(self)
        self.image = pygame.Surface((20,20))
        self.image.fill(color)
        self.rect = self.image.get_rect()
        self.rect.topleft = initial_position
        self.speed = 300

    def update(self, time_passed):
        moved_distance = time_passed * self.speed
        self.rect.left += moved_distance
```

Using the update Method II



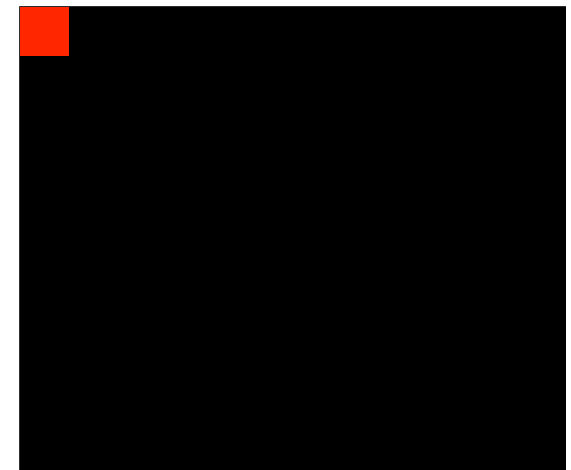
```
import pygame
from pygame.locals import *
... # Box Class here

pygame.init()
screen = pygame.display.set_mode((640, 480), 0, 32)

box = Box((255,0,0),(0,0))
clock = pygame.time.Clock()

while True:
    for event in pygame.event.get():
        if event.type == QUIT:
            exit()
    screen.fill((0, 0, 0))
    time_passed = clock.tick() / 1000.0
    box.update(time_passed) ← update the sprite
    screen.blit(box.image, box.rect)
    pygame.display.update()
```

Result:



Using the update Method - Several Objects



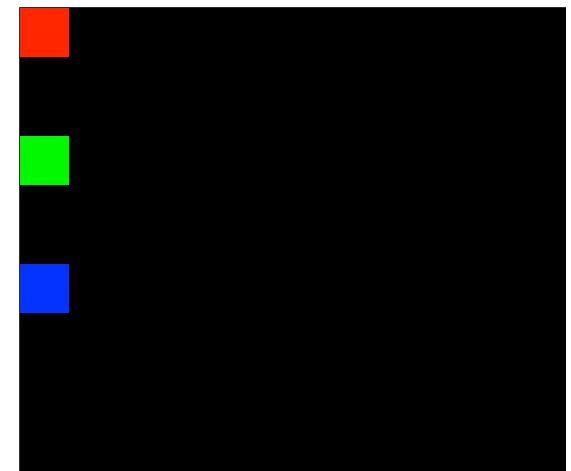
```
import pygame
from pygame.locals import *
... # Box Class here
pygame.init()
screen = pygame.display.set_mode((640, 480), 0, 32)

box = Box((255,0,0),(0,0))
box2 = Box((0,255,0),(0,60))
box3 = Box((0,0,255),(0,120))
clock = pygame.time.Clock()

while True:
    for event in pygame.event.get():
        if event.type == QUIT:
            exit()
    screen.fill((0, 0, 0))
    time_passed = clock.tick() / 1000.0
    box.update(time_passed)
    box2.update(time_passed)
    box3.update(time_passed)
    screen.blit(box.image,box.rect)
    screen.blit(box2.image,box2.rect)
    screen.blit(box3.image,box3.rect)
    pygame.display.update()
```

← too cumbersome

Result:





Sprite Groups

- Sprite groups (e.g. `pygame.sprite.Group`) are basically lists for sprites
- Handle the cumbersome details for the programmer:
 - `sprites()` returns a list of the sprites in that group
 - `copy()` returns a copy of the group
 - `add(*sprites)` adds a sprite to the list
 - `remove(*sprites)` removes the specified sprites from the list
 - `has(*sprites)` determines whether all sprites are in this group
 - `update(*args)` calls the update method of all sprites in this group (requires that they use the same arguments)
 - `draw(surface)` draws all the sprites in this group to the specified surface (uses `Sprite.image` and `Sprite.rect`)
 - `clear(surface,background)` erases the last drawn sprites from the list
 - `empty()` removes all sprites from the list

Handling Complexity using Groups



```
import pygame
from pygame.locals import *
... # Box Class here
pygame.init()
screen = pygame.display.set_mode((640, 480), 0, 32)
```

```
boxes = ((255,0,0),(0,0)),((0,255,0),(0,60)),((0,0,255),(0,120))
```

```
sprites = pygame.sprite.Group()
```

← create a group

```
for box in boxes:
```

```
    sprites.add(Box(box[0],box[1]))
```

```
clock = pygame.time.Clock()
```

```
while True:
```

```
    for event in pygame.event.get():
```

```
        if event.type == QUIT:
```

```
            exit()
```

```
    screen.fill((0, 0, 0))
```

```
    time_passed = clock.tick() / 1000.0
```

```
    sprites.update(time_passed)
```

← call update on the group

```
    sprites.draw(screen)
```

← draw all sprites in the group
onto the screen surface

```
    pygame.display.update()
```



Advanced Groups (RenderUpdates)

- Drawing the whole screen every time a sprite moves is inefficient
- RenderUpdates helps to avoid this
- Special `draw()` method:
 - `draw(*sprites)` returns a list of Rect objects that define the areas that have been changed
 - Efficient for non-animated backgrounds

Using RenderUpdates



```
import pygame
from pygame.locals import *
... # Box Class here
pygame.init()
screen = pygame.display.set_mode((640, 480), 0, 32)
```

```
boxes = [(255,0,0),(0,0)],[(0,255,0),(0,60)],[(0,0,255),(0,120)]
sprites = pygame.sprite.RenderUpdates()
```

← RenderUpdates group

```
for box in boxes:
    sprites.add(Box(box[0],box[1]))
clock = pygame.time.Clock()
```

```
background = pygame.surface.Surface((640,480))
background.fill((0,0,0))
screen.blit(background,(0,0))
```

```
while True:
```

```
    ... QUIT procedure here
```

```
    time_passed = clock.tick() / 1000.0
```

```
    sprites.update(time_passed)
```

```
    rects = sprites.draw(screen)
```

← call draw and store the changed areas

```
    pygame.display.update(rects)
```

```
    sprites.clear(screen,background)
```

← clear the changes done



Advanced Groups (OrderedUpdates)

- Remembers the order in which sprites are added
- Order is used for drawing the sprites to the screen
- Helps painting objects in the correct order
- Slower to add and remove sprites than other groups



Iterating Sprite Groups

```
sprites = pygame.sprite.Group()  
...  
for sprite in sprites:  
    print sprite
```



Collision Detection

- `Rect.collidepoint(point)` can be used to see whether a coordinate is within the area of a Rect object
- `pygame.sprite` has advanced methods to check for collisions
 - E.g. `pygame.sprite.collide_rect(a,b)` checks whether two sprites intersect

A simple collision detection



```
import pygame
from pygame.locals import *

...

pygame.init()

screen = pygame.display.set_mode((640, 480), 0, 32)
box = Box((255,0,0),(0,0))

while True:
    for event in pygame.event.get():
        if event.type == QUIT:
            exit()
        if event.type == MOUSEBUTTONDOWN:
            if box.rect.collidepoint(event.pos):
                print "in"
            else:
                print "out"

    box.update()
    screen.blit(box.image,box.rect)
    pygame.display.update()
```

Useful Links

- Pygame Sprite Tutorial
<http://kai.vm.bytemark.co.uk/~piman/writing/sprite-tutorial.shtml>
- Pygame Documentation !!!!
<http://www.pygame.org/docs>