

Sprites and collisions

- sprites are created and normally placed into a list
 - and referred to as a group

- you can then test for a collision between another sprite by:

■ `spritecollide(sprite, group, dokill)`

- the `dokill` argument is `True` or `False` and if it was `True` the `kill` method is called for every sprite, `ingroup`, which has collided with `sprite`

```
■ for bomb in sprite.spritecollide(player, bombs, True):
    boom_sound.play()
```

- notice that this example tests whether a single sprite `player` has collided with any sprite in the `bombs` group

Managing collisions between two groups of sprites

- we can detect whether a collision occurs between two groups of sprites by using the following function:

■ `groupcollide(group1, group2, dokill1, dokill2)`

- this function returns a dictionary
 - each key in the dictionary is a sprite in `group1` and its value is a list of sprites from `group2` with which it has collided
 - the `dokill1, dokill2` arguments determine whether the `kill` method should be called in `group1` or `group2`

```
■ for alien in sprite.groupcollide(alien, bullets, True, True):
    boom_sound.play()
    kills += 1
```

- the code checks for the collisions between bullets and all the aliens

- in this case we only loop over the dictionary keys
 - but we could loop over the `values()` or `items()`
 - if we wanted to do something to the specific shots that collided with aliens

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- if we did loop over the `values()` we would be looping through lists that contain sprites
- note that the same sprite may even appear more than once in these different loops, since the same bullet could have collided against multiple aliens

Real example

- *"Talk is cheap. Show me the code."*
Linux Torvalds, Fri, 25 Aug 2000 11:09:12 -0700 (PDT)

Space invaders in Python

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```
#!/usr/bin/python

import pygame
import sys
from pygame.locals import KEYDOWN, KEYUP, K_SPACE, K_ESCAI
K_RIGHT, K_LEFT

width      = 320
height     = 240
imageWidth = 32
imageHeight = 32

goingLeft   = True
invaderHeight = 0
gunLeft    = False
gunRight   = False
gunXpos    = (width/2)-(imageWidth/2)
delay       = 10
```

```
class BoxSprite(pygame.sprite.Sprite):
    image = None

    def __init__(self, initial_position):
        pygame.sprite.Sprite.__init__(self)
        if BoxSprite.image is None:
            BoxSprite.image = pygame.image.load("ball.png")
        self.image = BoxSprite.image

        self.rect = self.image.get_rect()
        self.rect.topleft = initial_position
        self.next_update_time = 0 # as soon as possible
        self.yPos = initial_position[1]
```

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```
def update(self, current_time, left, right):
    global goingLeft, invaderHeight, imageWidth, delay
    # check update
    if self.next_update_time < current_time:
        # If we're at the left or right the screen, switch
        if self.rect.topleft[0] == left:
            goingLeft = False
            invaderHeight += 1
        elif self.rect.topleft[0] == right-imageWidth:
            goingLeft = True
            invaderHeight += 1
        if goingLeft == True:
            self.rect.topleft = [self.rect.topleft[0]-1, \
                                self.rect.topleft[1]]
        else:
            self.rect.topleft = [self.rect.topleft[0]+1, \
                                self.rect.topleft[1]]
        self.rect.topleft = [self.rect.topleft[0], \
                            invaderHeight+self.yPos]
    self.next_update_time = current_time + delay
```

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```
class missile(pygame.sprite.Sprite):
    image = None

    def __init__(self, initial_position):
        pygame.sprite.Sprite.__init__(self)
        if missile.image is None:
            missile.image = pygame.image.load("arrow.png")
        self.image = missile.image

        self.rect = self.image.get_rect()
        self.rect.topleft = initial_position
        self.next_update_time = 0 # update() hasn't been called
```

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```
def update(self, current_time):
    global missile
    # check update
    if self.next_update_time < current_time:
        # If we're reached the top then stop
        if self.rect.topleft[1] == 0:
            missiles.remove(self)
            self.kill()
            return
        else:
            self.rect.topleft = [self.rect.topleft[0], \
                                self.rect.topleft[1]-1]
    self.next_update_time = current_time + 4
```

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```
class gun(pygame.sprite.Sprite):
    image = None

    def __init__(self):
        global width, imageHeight, gunXpos
        pygame.sprite.Sprite.__init__(self)
        if gun.image is None:
            gun.image = pygame.image.load("gun.png")
        self.image = gun.image

        self.rect = self.image.get_rect()
        self.rect.topleft = [gunXpos, height-imageHeight]
        self.next_update_time = 0 # update() hasn't been called
```

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```
def update(self, current_time):
    global gunXpos, width, imageWidth

    # check update
    if self.next_update_time < current_time:
        if gunLeft and gunXpos>0:
            gunXpos -= 1
        if gunRight and gunXpos<width-imageWidth:
            gunXpos += 1
    self.rect.topleft = [gunXpos, self.rect.topleft]
    self.next_update_time = current_time + 1
```

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```
def checkInput():
    global gunLeft, gunRight, missiles, gunXpos, height
    for event in pygame.event.get():
        if event.type == KEYDOWN:
            if event.key == K_ESCAPE:
                sys.exit(0)
            elif event.key == K_RIGHT:
                gunLeft = False
                gunRight = True
            elif event.key == K_LEFT:
                gunLeft = True
                gunRight = False
            else:
                missiles.append(missile([gunXpos, height]))
        elif event.type == KEYUP and event.key != K_SPACE:
            gunRight = False
            gunLeft = False
```

Space invaders in Python

Main section of space invaders - initialisation

```
def checkCollisions():
    global missiles, boxes
    if missiles != [] and boxes != []:
        for m in missiles:
            found = False
            for b in pygame.sprite.spritecollide(m, boxes, False):
                boxes.remove(b)
                b.kill()
                found = True
        if found:
            missiles.remove(m)
            m.kill()
```

```
pygame.init()
boxes = []
missiles = []

for x in range(0, width, 32):
    for y in range(0, 96, 32):
        boxes.append(BoxSprite([x, y]))

screen = pygame.display.set_mode([320, 240])
gunControl = gun()
```

Main section of space invaders - initialisation

```

while boxes != []:
    screen.fill([0, 0, 0]) # blank the screen.
    time = pygame.time.get_ticks()
    for b in boxes:
        b.update(time, 0, width)
        screen.blit(b.image, b.rect)

    checkInput()
    checkCollisions()

```

Main section of space invaders - initialisation

```

gunControl.update(time)
screen.blit(gunControl.image, gunControl.rect)
for m in missiles:
    m.update(time)
    screen.blit(m.image, m.rect)
pygame.display.update()
if pygame.sprite.spritecollide(gunControl, boxes, 0):
    pygame.time.delay(50)
    print "looser"
    sys.exit(0)
if len(boxes)<10:
    delay = len(boxes)

pygame.time.delay(50)
print "winner"

```

Tutorial

- here is the final space invader code, <space.data>
down load it and save as space.py
- the space invader program blanks the entire screen each frame
 - modify it so that we blank out each sprite instead
 - is it noticeably faster
 - add sound
 - improve the graphics