Doom3

- we will be using the dhewm3 fork of the doom3 code with heavy modifications which include:
 - gore, speed ups
 - python bots!
- about 681075 total lines of code
 - however this includes many tools and libraries
- actual engine is closer to 137905 lines of code

Game engines

- there are over 50 open source game engines
 - of differing size and quality
- require a balance between: complexity and resource requirements
- resource requirements are not always obvious
- for example the time to recompile Panda3D was 50 minutes on a 4 GHz AMD black
 - dhewm compiles in 3 minutes
 - pge compiles in 1 minute

Doom3 advantages

- code base is very clean implemented in C++
- it does not use the STL
 - most libraries are implemented from scratch
 - highly portable codebase and fast
- Doom3 lineage is strong!
 - many eyeballs keep bugs shallow
- Doom3 codebase can be extended and makes an effective teaching tool
- all maps and models are stored in text format! (Excluding images/sounds)

Doom3 advantages

uses the MAP and BSP format which is the Rosetta stone to game engine design

Morloc Tower

- Morloc Tower (http://www.mobygames.com/game/ dunjonquest-morlocs-tower) was a game written in 1980
- the tower had six stories and consists of 30 rooms total
- the wizard Morloc was the boss enemy which you had to defeat to complete the game
 - the quicker you killed him the higher your score
- it had adventure elements to the game (pick up magic sword or hand grenade)
 - which would take time to find

Morloc Tower

- there were smaller monsters to kill before you reached Morloc
 - single player real-time adventure game

Penguin tower

- Penguin tower is a multiplayer 2 dimensional game which was inspired by Morloc Tower
- Penguin Tower is a very different game it does retain a similar screen layout and many of the key commands are the same
- the goal of the game is to stay alive as long as possible and to inflict the most damage on other players
 - genre is a graphical multiuser dungeon with a limited graphical interface and limited number of objects and weapons

Penguin tower

- architecturally it consists of three main components, a client, a server and a protocol
- the client is written in Python and it utilises the pygame libraries
- the server is mostly written in Modula-2 and a small amount of C
 the protocol is entirely character and string based

Penguin tower

- the penguin tower server code was written during two Augusts in 1985 and 1986 and originally ran on a 6 Mhz PC clone connected by two Visual 200 terminals (making it a three player game).
- the maps were drawn with simple ASCII characters, and it was quite playable (for those days!)
- the 6 Mhz PC ran the server code quite comfortably, it occasionally slowed down, which perhaps added to its charm.
 - normally when someone pulled the hand grenade

Penguin tower demo

demo screenshots (http://floppsie.comp.glam.ac.uk/ Southwales/gaius/games/ptower.html)

Doom3 mod

- how difficult would it be to produce a Penguin Tower mod for Doom3?
 - utilise the monsters from Doom3
 - generate very simple maps in the style of (Morloc Tower and Penguin Tower)
- very simple maps have the advantage of only having 90° corners
 - ideal teaching vehicle and also it should be possible to generate maps quickly

Penguin tower maps

- there are a number of penguin tower maps and a tool to randomly create large maps
- the Penguin tower file format is simple and easily extensible

Penguin tower map: star.pen

ROOM 1				
WALL 1 1 1 20 WALL 1 20 20 20 WALL 20 20 20 1 WALL 20 1 1 1				
DOOR 9 20 12 20 DOOR 20 9 20 12 END	STATUS CLOSED STATUS CLOSED	LEADS TO LEADS TO	5 5	

etc

Chisel

- Chisel (https://github.com/gaiusm/chisel)
- is a github project containing command line tools to create doom3 maps
- the tools allow anyone with basic computer skills to generate small doom3 maps

Map: one.txt

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de	fine s worldsp	awn			
de	fine o monster	monster_demon_imp			
de	fine n monster	monster_demon_hel	lknight		
de	fine i light				
de	efine a ammo am	mo_shells_large 16			
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Map: two.txt

define 1 mean 1					
define i room i					
define 2 room 2					
define s worldspawn					
define o monster monster_demon_imp					
define n monster monster_demon_hellknight					
define i light					
define a ammo ammo_grenade 16					
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Compiling a map

\$ txt2pen -o one.pen one.txt
\$ pen2map -o one.map one.pen

- notice the txt file is compiled into a pen file
 - the pen file is compiled into map file

Obtaining chisel

\$ **cd**

- \$ mkdir -p Sandpit
- \$ cd Sandpit
- \$ git clone https://github.com/gaiusm/chisel

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