My First Pygame

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What is Pygame?

 Cross-platform set of Python modules designed for writing video games

 Includes 2D computer graphics and sound libraries to be used by Python

Initial release October 2000, LGPL

Why Pygame?

Pygame talk sparked my interest

Readily available tutorials and resources

I can do this!

How do I get started?

Navigate to pygame.org, GettingStarted

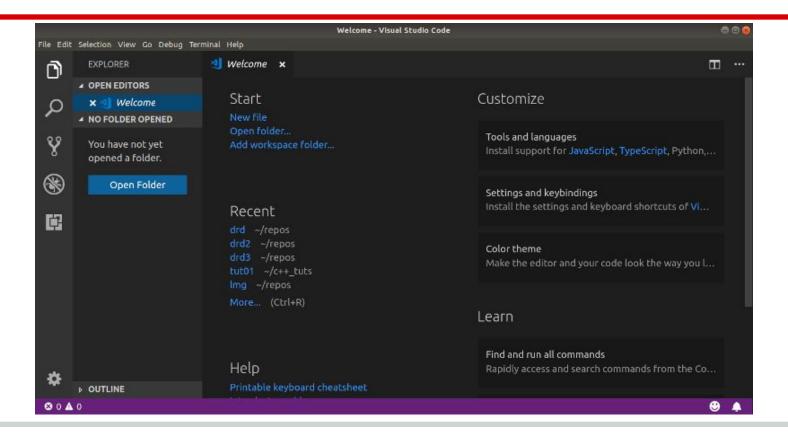
Install/Update Python 3

- Install Pygame library
 - python3 -m pip install -U pygame --user
 - sudo apt install python3-pygame

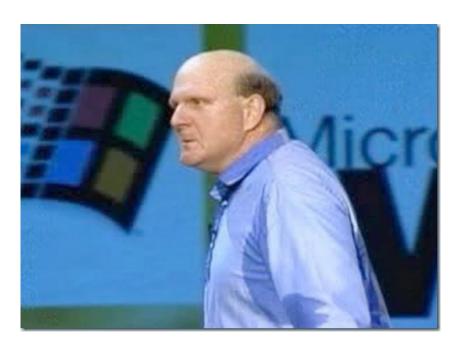
Development tools

- Ubuntu 18.04
- Python 3.6
- Pygame 1.9.4
- Visual Studio Code
- Python extension for Visual Studio Code
- Git/GitHub for source control
- Gimp, Inkscape, Audacity

Visual Studio Code

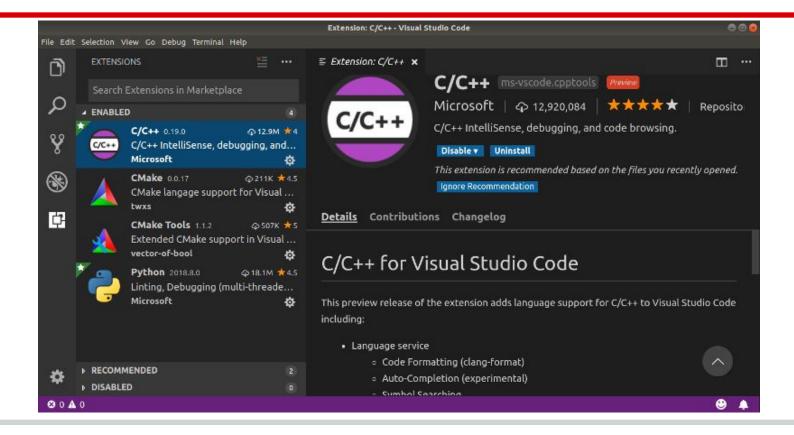


Gone are the days...

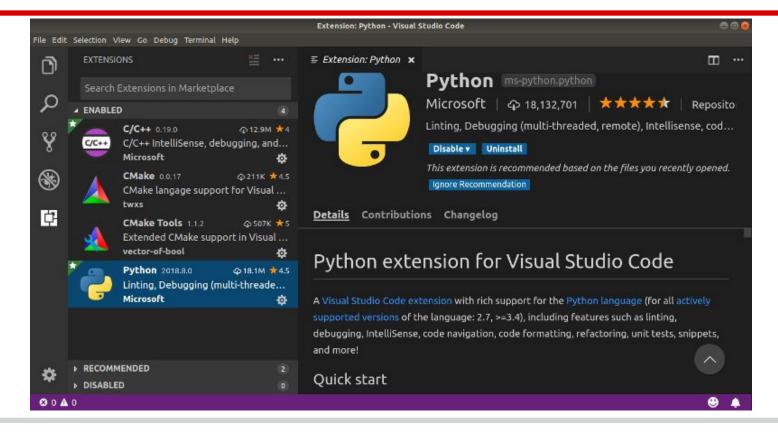




C++ extension



Python extension















- Shuttle stranded on planet
- 7 crew members
- 5 phasers on shuttle
- X creatures with spears and boulders
- Crew must discharge phasers and lift off before shuttle is destroyed by creatures

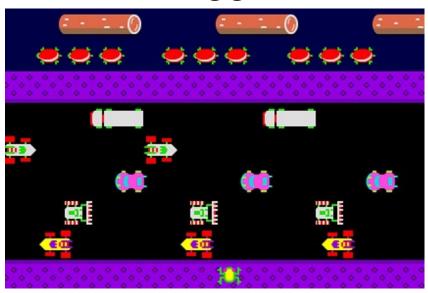
Let's get started 1.0!

Types of 2D games

- Single Screen Frogger, Pac-Man, Dig Dug
- Scrollers Gun Smoke, Heavy Barrel
- Side Scrollers Super Mario Brothers
- Platform Games Donkey Kong, Mario Bros
- Adventure The Legend of Zelda

Focus on a single screen game

Frogger

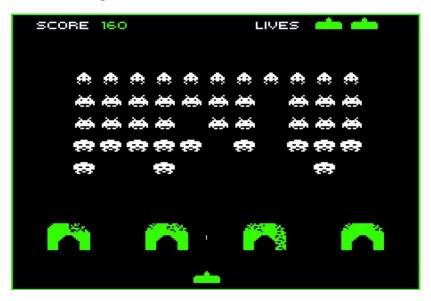


Pac-Man



Focus on a single screen game

Space Invaders



Dig Dug















- Single screen has tunnels in rock
- Security team patrols the tunnels
- Creature is able to tunnel through the rock
- Creature's eggs are all over the tunnels
- Security team destroys the eggs
- Creature must destroy security team before all the eggs are crushed

Let's get started 2.0!



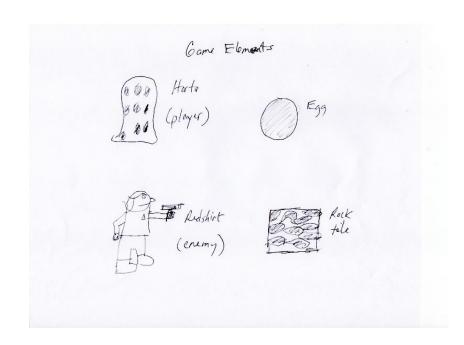


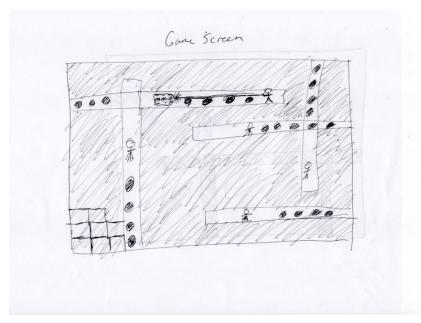
Let's get started 2.0!





Die, Redshirt, Die!





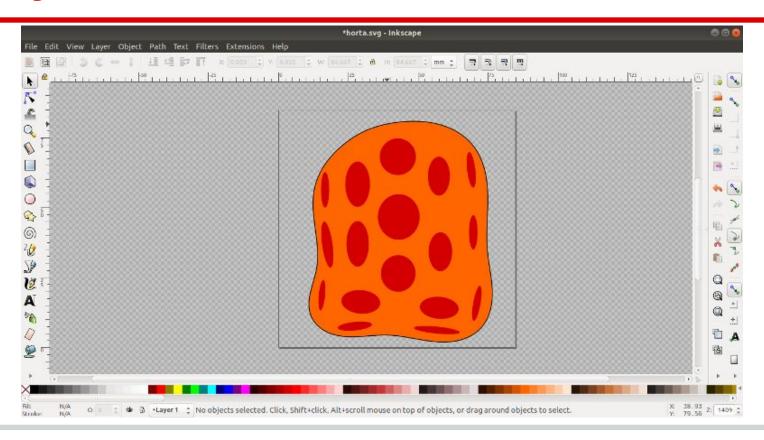
Tile-based game

- Game consists of small square graphic images (tiles) laid out in a grid
- The grid of tiles makes up the screen
- Tile size of 32 x 32 pixels
- Screen size 800 x 640 pixels
- Grid size 25 x 20

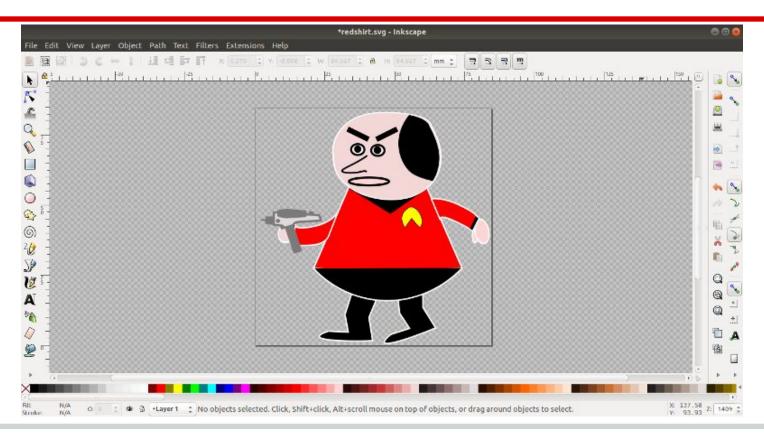
Create tiles in Inkscape

- Player
- Enemy
- Eggs
- Rock

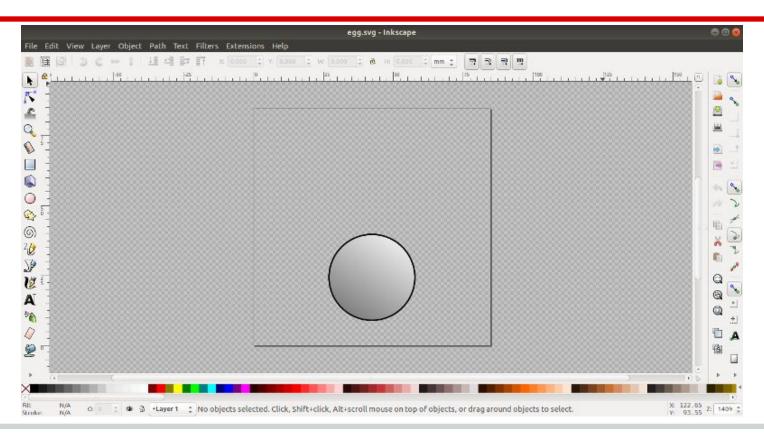
Player tile



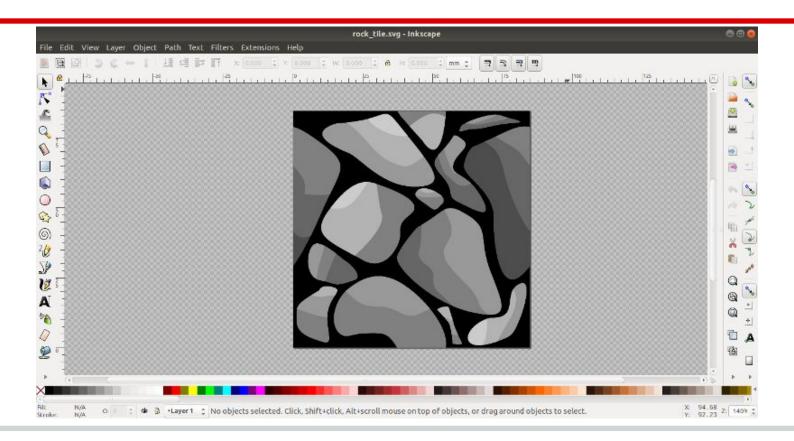
Enemy tile



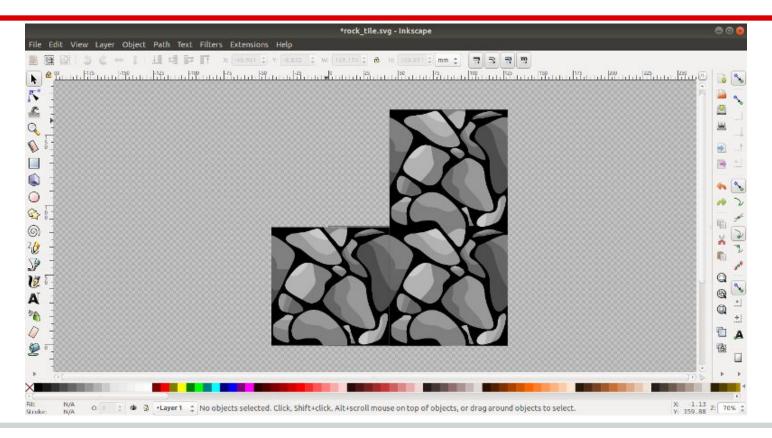
Egg tile



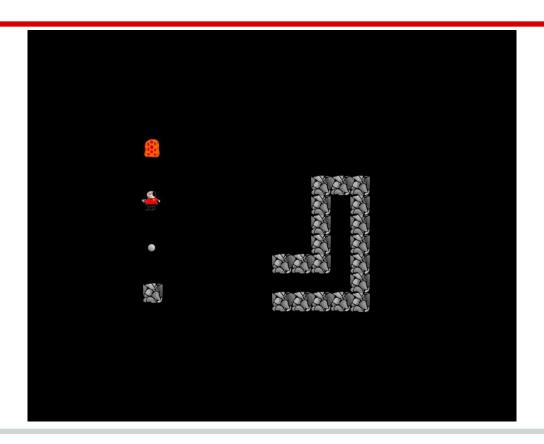
Rock tile



Seamless repeating tiles



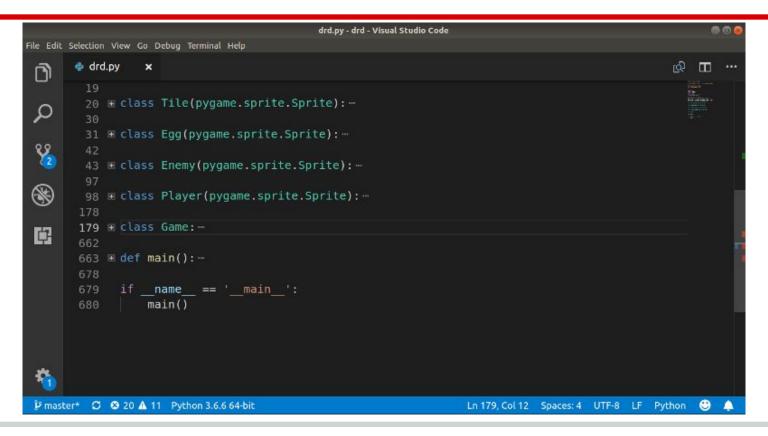
Tiles test



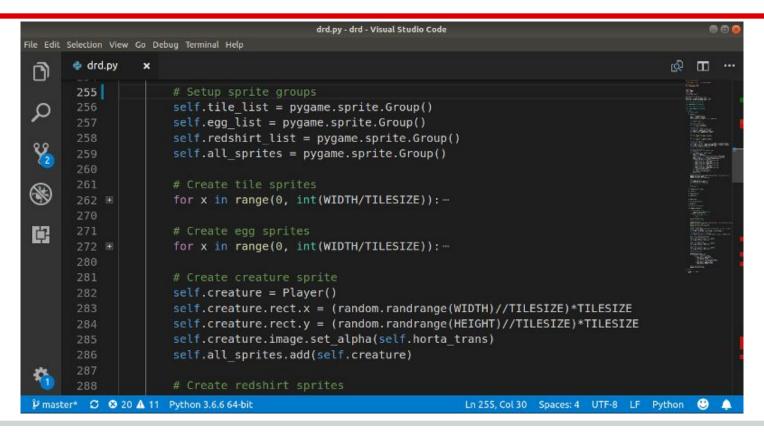
Manage tiles with Pygame sprites

- Sprite a two dimensional image
- Game objects can be sprite objects
- Sprites can draw and update themselves
- Sprites can be added to groups
- Sprite groups for drawing and collision detection

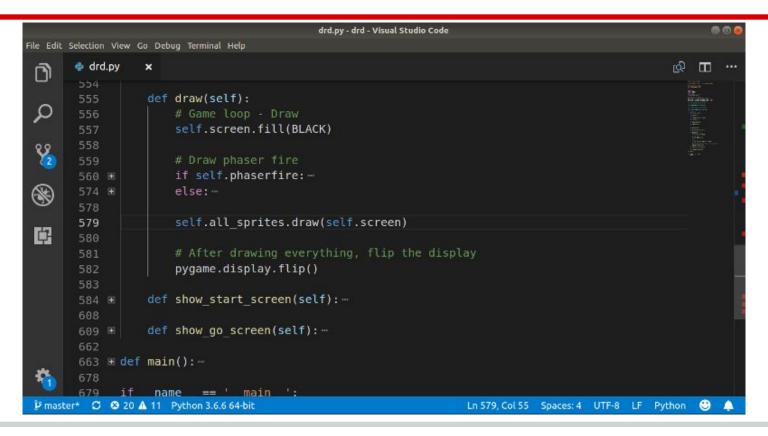
Pygame sprites



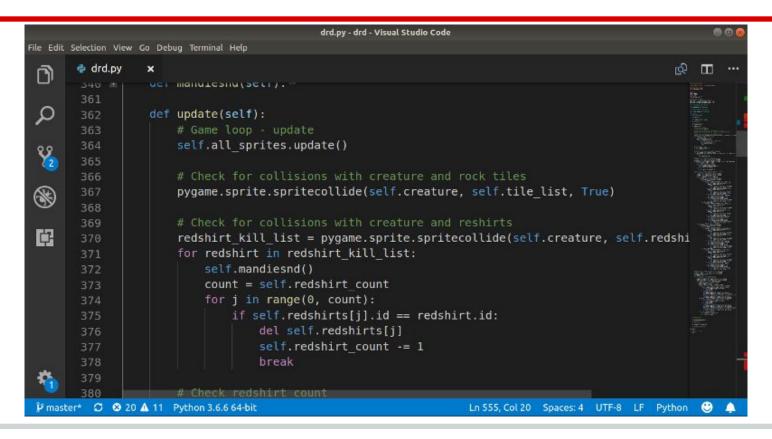
Pygame sprite groups



Sprites group draw



Sprites group collision detection



Game sounds

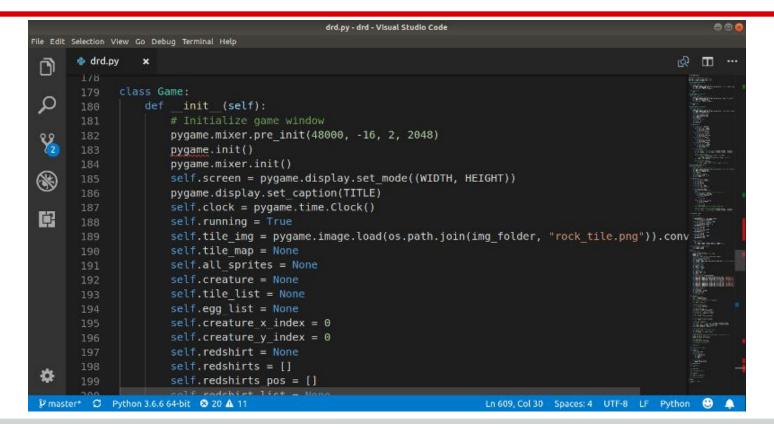
Background sounds

- Game start screen
- Game run screen
- Game over screen

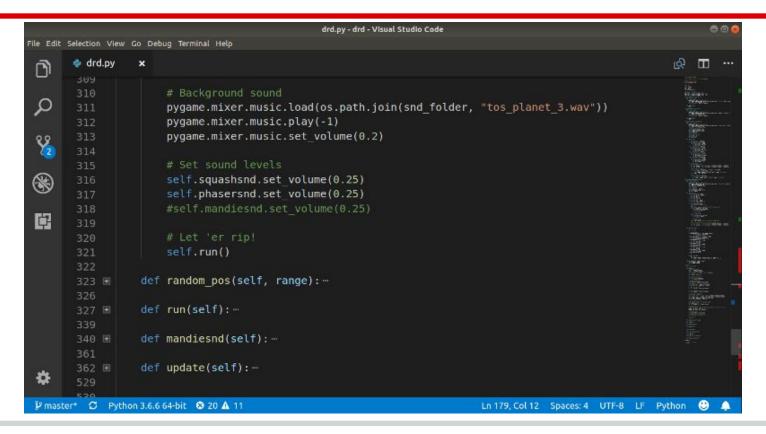
Sound effects

- Eggs squished
- Phaser fire
- Redshirts scream

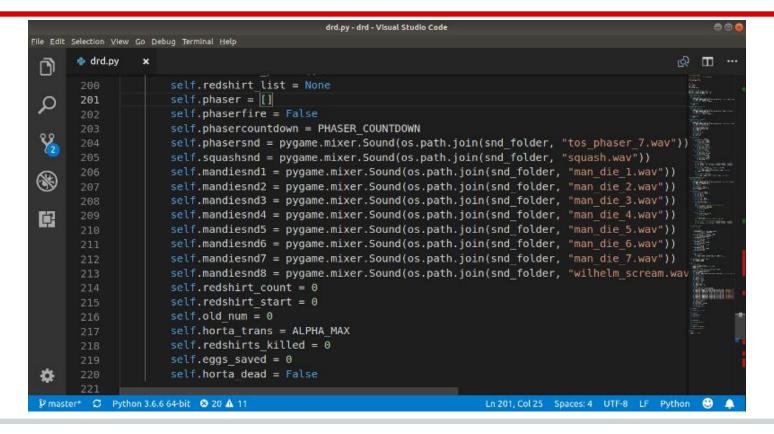
Pygame mixer



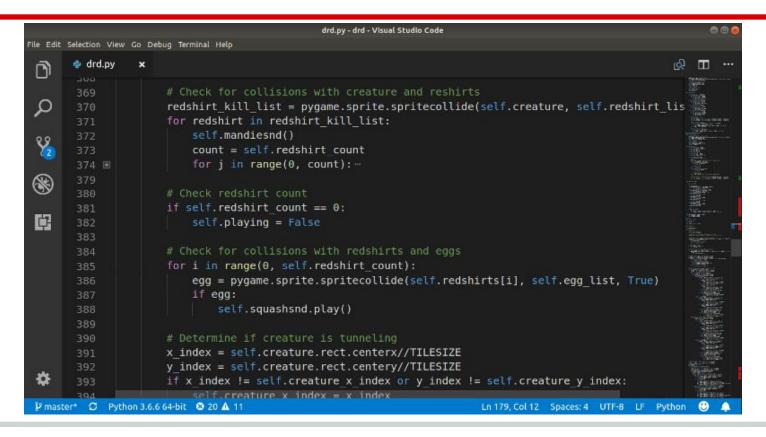
Pygame background sounds



Pygame sound effects - load



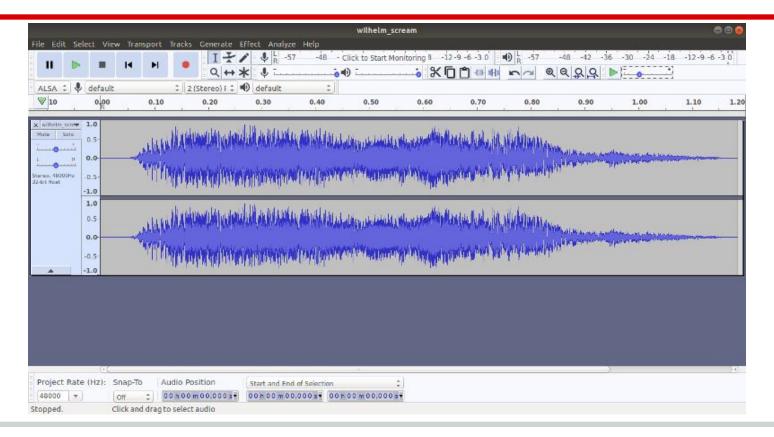
Pygame sound effects - play



Sounds come from?

- trekcore.com
- freesound.org
- Pygame mixer expects a specific file format
- Pygame mixes sets the frequency, bit depth
- Sound files were all different formats, frequencies, bit depth, etc

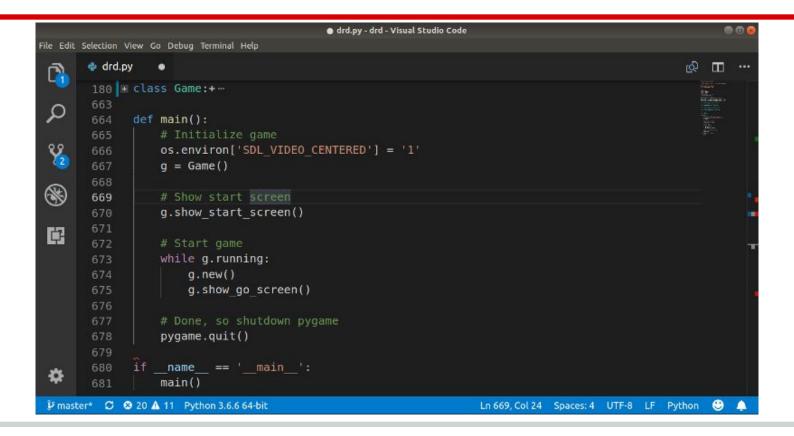
Audacity to the rescue



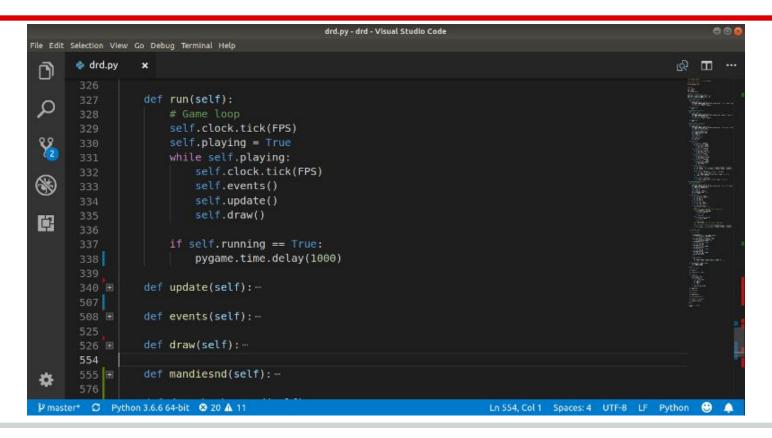
General program flow

- Initialize game library
- Load game elements
- Run game loop
 - Manage frame rate
 - Check events
 - Update logic
 - Draw screen

Game start



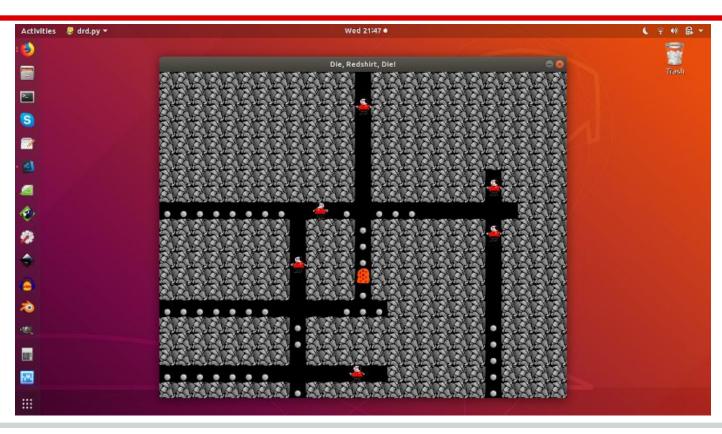
Run loop



Start game screen



Run game screen



Game over screen



Questions and/or Comments

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