

# **CPSC 224 Final Project**

**PROJECT PLAN**  
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**Connect 4**

**Four in a Row**

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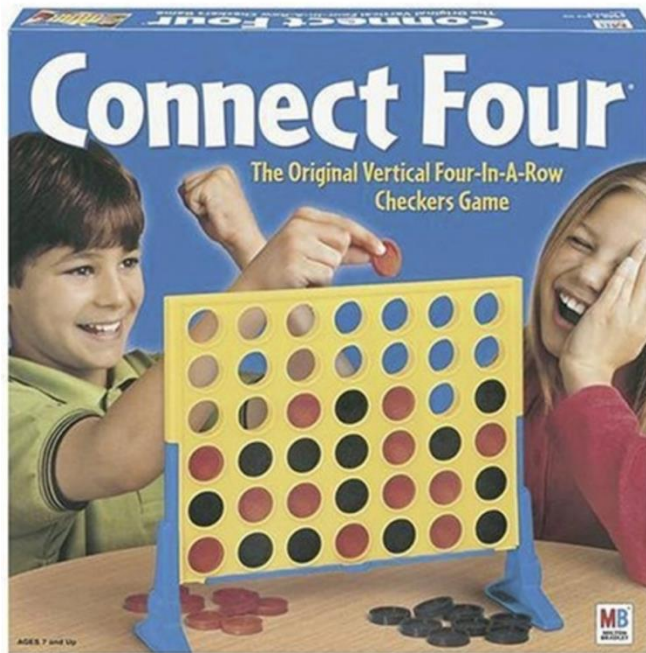
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## 1 Project Overview

### 1.1 Project Summary

Connect Four is a two-player strategy game. The objective of the game is to be the first player to connect four of their token in a row, either horizontally, vertically, or diagonally, on the game grid. The grid usually consists of six rows and seven columns, forming 42 total slots for discs to be placed. Each player has a set of 21 tokens they can use. To play, each player gets their own color token and they take turns selecting a column to drop their token. The token is then placed at the lowest available position in that column. The first player to connect four discs in a row in any direction wins the game. If the grid fills up without a winner, the game is considered a draw.



## 2 Project Requirements

### 2.1 Major Features

Provide a description of the major features that must be implemented for a viable and useful product. Major features include broad feature areas, constraints that must be met, and other major items that must be completed for the project to be considered successful. You should have at least 4-5 major features.

**Table 1: Major Features**

<i>Feature</i>	<i>Description</i>
<i>Make moves</i>	Put a token in a column and have it fall to the lowest open spot
<i>Win game</i>	Detect when there are four tokens in a row
<i>Mutliplayer</i>	Switch turns until someone wins or board is full

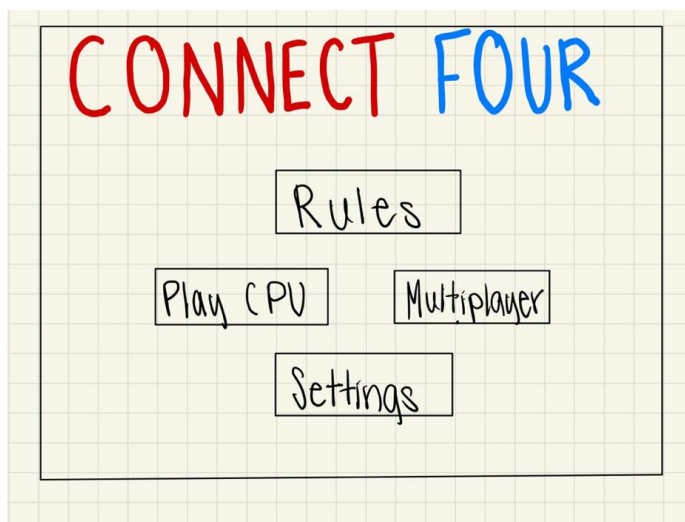
<i>Single Player</i>	Player vs computer, computer chooses random columns
<i>GUI board</i>	Clickable and visible board

### 3 Project Game Design

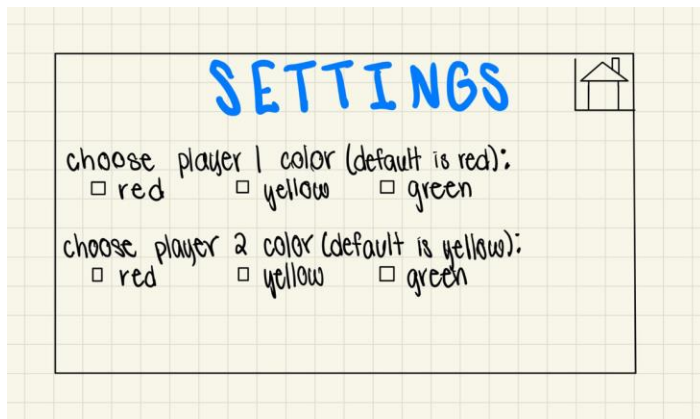
#### 3.1 Initial User Interface Design

Provide a description of the general user interface layout, including a set of initial user interface design mock-ups. This can be done as a sketch if it's cleanly done by hand, or digitally using a drawing tool.

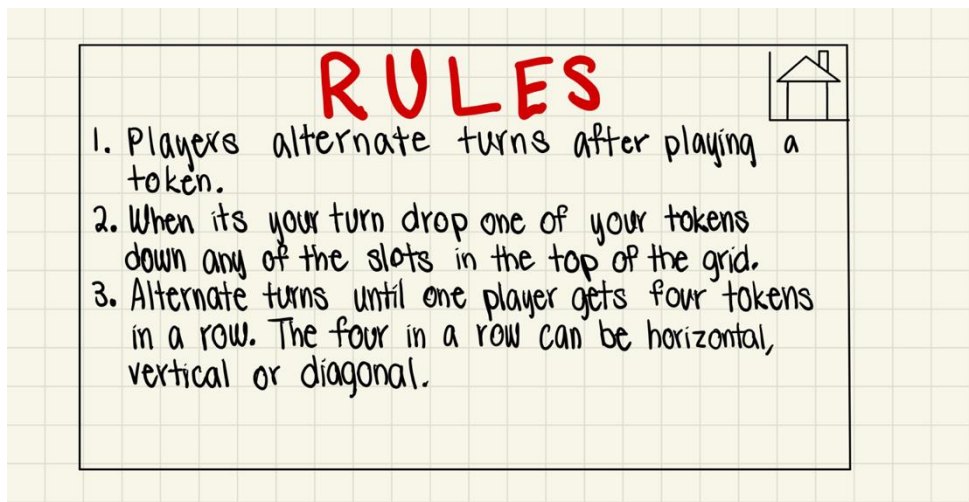
This is the home screen the four buttons on the screen take you to three different screens. The rules button will take you to the rules screen shown below. The multiplayer and Play CPU screens will take you to the same screen, but this screen will function differently depending on what the player selects.



The settings screen allows the player to choose which color they would like to play as. If this screen is not visited then the default colors will be chosen for the player. It also has a home button in the corner, so the player can go back to the main screen after selecting the correct settings.

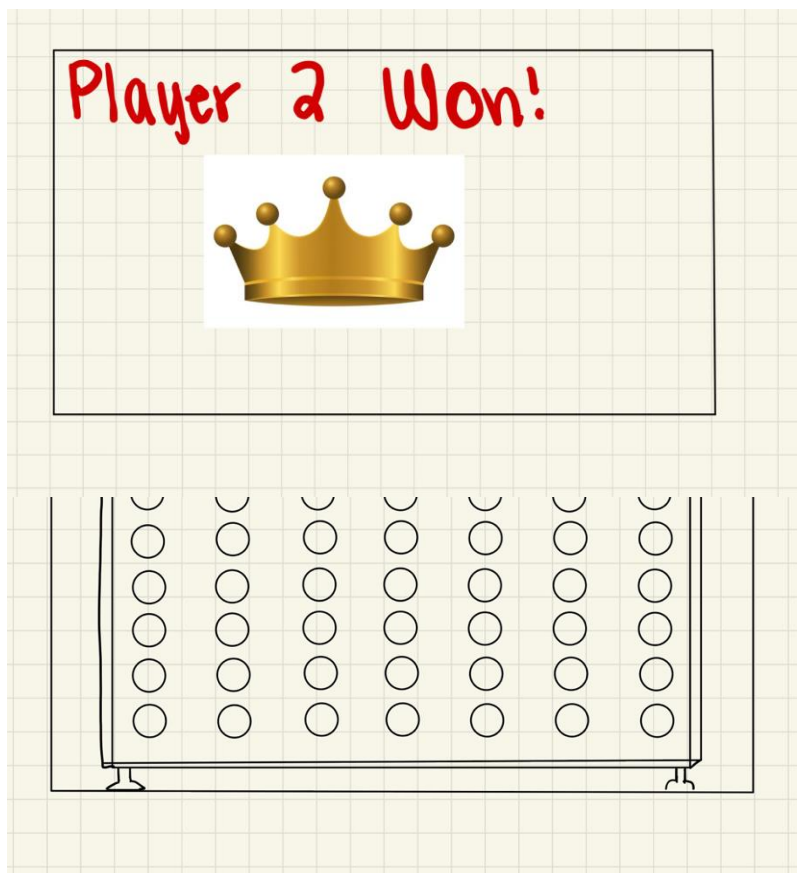


The page displays the rules for the player if they are unfamiliar. The home button in the corner will take them back to the main screen once clicked.



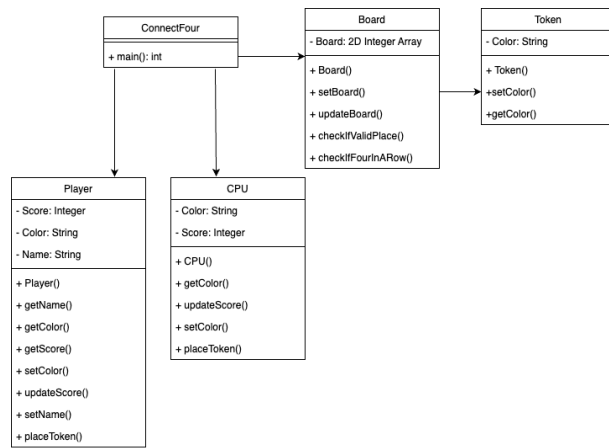
This is the main screen in which the players play the game on. The player can reach this screen by pressing the Play CPU button or multiplayer button. Each column will be a button where the player can place a token.

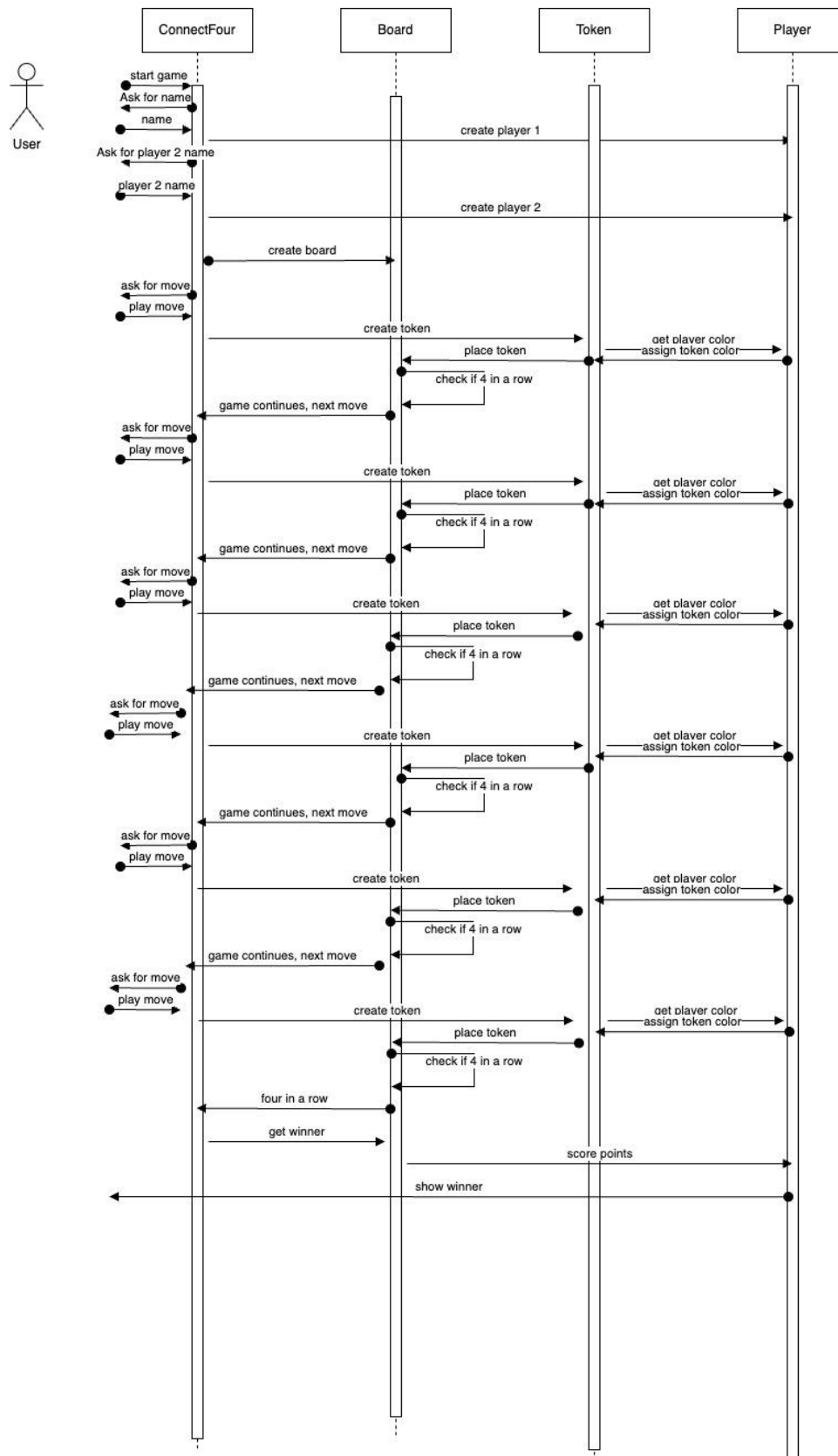
The two screens represent the two possibilities if the first player won or if the second player won. If the CPU is playing then the player is the automatically player 1 and the CPU is player 2.

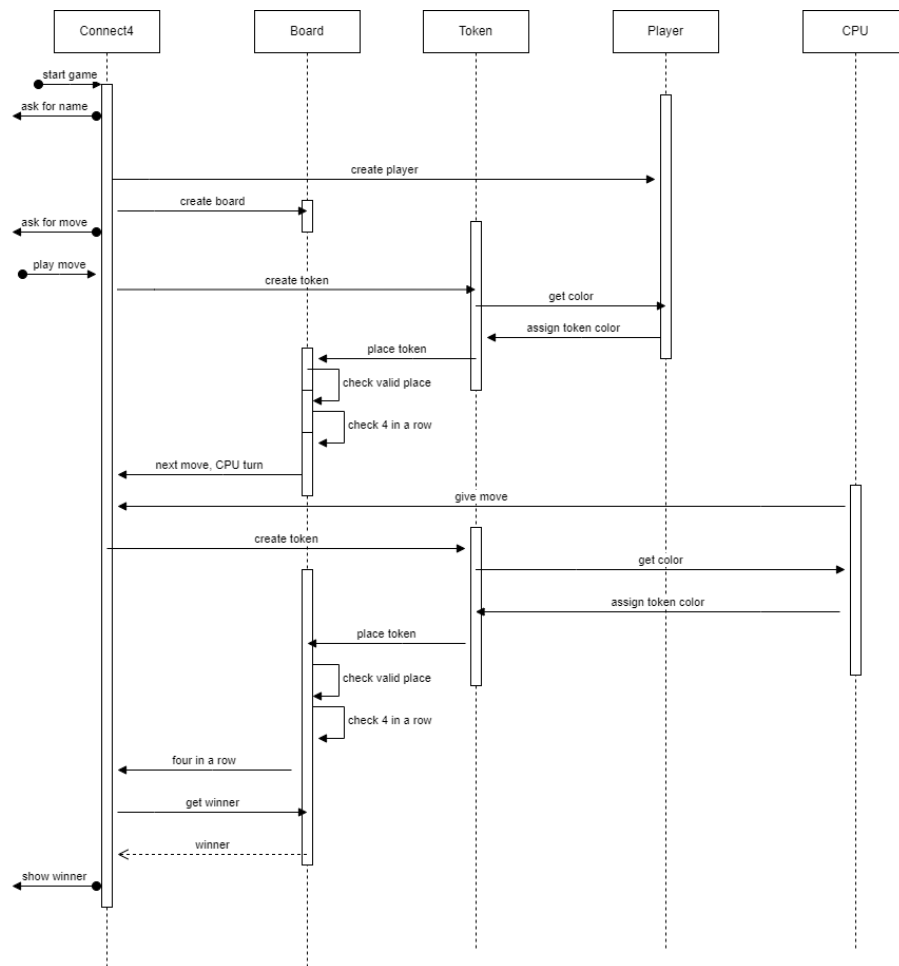


### 3.2 Initial Software Architecture

Provide a description of the initial architecture of your application, focusing on the major components of your system and how they will interact. This should include a UML class diagram and 2-3 sequence diagrams of the various modules in the system interacting.







## 4 Project Schedule

Provide a description of the major scheduling dates of your project. For each schedule milestone dates, clearly describe the milestone (e.g., what features will be implemented) and when the milestone must occur by. Include the project plan, code complete, presentation, and final report dates.

**Table 3: Major Scheduling Milestones**

<i>Milestone</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Target Completion Date</i>
<i>Project Plan</i>	Finish project plan write up	Nov 9th
<i>Start and End Screen</i>	Finish designing start, game, and end screens	Nov 17th
<i>Finish mutliplayer</i>	Finish multiplayer game	Nov 17th
<i>Gameplay complete</i>	Finish code and gameplay	Nov 26th
<i>GUI</i>	Finish GUI	Dev 2nd



<i>Code complete</i>	Code complete	Dec 4th
<i>Presentation</i>	presentation	Dec 4th
<i>Final report</i>	Final report due	Dec 14th

## Appendix

Provide additional supplemental information in an appendix as necessary.