

CPSC 2150 Project 1

Connect 4

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Requirements Analysis

Functional Requirements:

- As a player, I need to place a marker on the board, so that I can play the game.
- As a player, I should be able to pick another column if the column I picked was full, so that I can place a piece during my turn
- As a player, I should be able to pick a column again if the one I picked was invalid, so I can place a piece on the board during my turn.
- As a player, I should be able to play until I get 5 markers in a row, so that I can win the game.
- As a player, I should be able to play until I get 5 markers in a column, so that I can win the game.
- As a player, I should be able to play until I get 5 markers diagonally, so the game ends in a win.
- As a player, I should be able to play the game until the board is full, so that the game ends in a tie.
- As a player, I should be able to take turns with my opponent, so that we can play against each other.
- As a player, I should know whose turn it is currently, so that I can determine who needs to place a marker.
- As a player, I should be asked to play again, so that I can keep playing with my opponent after the current game ends.
- As a player, I need the board to be printed on the screen after each turn, so that I can see the game as it is being played.

Non-Functional Requirements

- The board should have 9 rows and 7 columns
- There should be 2 players, called X and O
- A player must have 5 tokens in a row either horizontally, vertically, or diagonally to win
- Gravity should affect the tokens
- The number of tokens in a column should not exceed the number of rows
- An error message should be returned if a player tries to place a token in an invalid column.
- The program should have 2 end conditions: win or tie

- The game will start with player X
- Players should alternate placing tokens
- The game should be able to repeat once the game has ended
- Empty positions on the board should be indicated by a single space character
- The program should run on Linux and Windows
- The program will be a command-line application, and run in the terminal
- The program needs to be written in Java

System Design – (UML diagrams)

