# Software Requirements Specification (SRS): Connect 4

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### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1 Purpose

This document outlines the functional and non-functional requirements for the **Connect-Four** Android application. The goal is to deliver a modernized digital version of the classic two-player game, with Al-driven gameplay, an intuitive user interface, and responsive animations.

#### 1.2 Scope

The Connect-Four app enables players to:

- Compete against another player locally or against an AI opponent.
- Enjoy a clean and modern UI with smooth animations and an undo feature.
- Play on a standard 6x7 grid with accurate enforcement of game rules.

The AI is powered by the Minimax algorithm with Alpha-Beta Pruning, ensuring challenging single-player gameplay.

# 1.3 Definitions, Acronyms, and Abbreviations

- AI: Artificial Intelligence.
- Minimax Algorithm: A decision-making algorithm used to minimize potential losses in a game.
- 2D Array: A two-dimensional data structure representing the game grid.

#### 1.4 References

- Classic Connect-Four game rules: Wikipedia
- Android Development Documentation: <u>Android Developers</u>

# 2. Overall Description

#### 2.1 Product Perspective

The Connect-Four app is a standalone mobile application designed for Android devices. It provides an engaging and interactive experience for users through single-player and multiplayer modes.

#### 2.2 Product Functions

#### 1. Game Modes:

- Single-player: Player vs. Al.
- Multiplayer: Two players on the same device.

#### 2. Gameplay Features:

- Drop tokens into the grid with touch gestures.
- Visual indication of moves and win conditions.
- Undo the last move.

#### 3. Win Conditions:

- Detects four consecutive tokens (horizontal, vertical, diagonal).
- Declares a draw if the grid is full with no winner.

#### 4. User Interface:

- Modern design with responsive animations.
- Simple controls for seamless gameplay.

#### 2.3 User Characteristics

The target audience includes:

- Casual gamers.
- Fans of strategy games.
- Users of all ages familiar with touch-based interfaces.

#### 2.4 Constraints

- The application is built for Android 7.0 (API 24) or higher.
- The Al's performance may vary based on the depth of the Minimax algorithm.
- Limited to local multiplayer (no online support).

# 3. Specific Requirements

#### 3.1 Functional Requirements

# Requirement Description FR1 The app must allow two players to play locally. FR2 The app must provide an Al opponent for single-player mode. FR3 The app must implement the standard 6x7 Connect-Four grid. FR4 The game must declare a winner when four tokens align horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. FR5 The game must declare a draw if the grid is full with no winner.

The app must provide visual feedback for every move (e.g., token drop animation).

#### 3.2 Non-Functional Requirements

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FR6 Players must be able to undo their last move.

ID	Requirement Description
NFR1	The app must load and initialize in under 2 seconds.
NFR2	The AI must calculate its move within 1 second.
NFR3	The UI must be responsive and handle touch gestures smoothly.
NFR4	The app must run on devices with Android 7.0 (API 24) or higher.
NFR5	The app must maintain state consistency after interruptions (e.g., phone calls).

# 3.3 System Requirements

- **Hardware**: Android device with a minimum of 2 GB RAM.
- Software: Android 7.0 (API 24) or higher.

# 4. Design Constraints

#### 4.1 Frameworks and Libraries

- Android SDK: For core application development.
- Coroutines (Kotlin): For multithreading in Al computations.

• Animator API: For smooth token drop animations.

# **4.2 Development Environment**

• Android Studio with Gradle for build automation.

# 5. Appendices

# A. Assumptions and Dependencies

- Players are familiar with the basic rules of Connect-Four.
- The app assumes a stable device environment during gameplay.