

2. A **Technical Report** with description of:

2a. List the **ADTs** that will be used and what information they will store. Include a brief justification for each of your choices.

The two ADTs that we will use are a graph and a linked list. We will be using linked lists to implement the graph structure. We chose to use a graph to represent the game board, which will contain the discs, because we can easily test for connectivity between discs to determine whether there are 4 discs in a row. The linked lists will store these connections.

2b. A list of the important **classes** that you expect to define for your project with a brief description of the purpose of each class. Some of these classes should capture the basic objects that exist in the problem. There may also be classes that embody the graphical user interface, or the main() method. This list should include the classes that implement the ADTs that you plan to use. Note that as you proceed with your program development, you may discover other classes that would be useful to define for your application.

Disc class - Creates a game disc that will be used to play within the board

Player class - Creates a player that will utilize a disk to make moves on the board

Board class - Creates a board with specific parameters that will hold discs set by the players; implements Graph and LinkedList ADT.

Game class - Represents a game of Connect Four

GUI class - Creates a GUI to display the board and discs set by the players

Driver class - test code and create instances of Connect 4 game

Panel class - will manage the GUI to represent what is happening within the Game class

2c. A list of some of the main **actions** that you expect to be embodied in methods in your new class definitions (you do not need to include the basic operations defined for the ADT classes that you plan to use). As you proceed with your program development, you will probably discover additional useful methods to define for various classes.

Disc class

getPosition() - gets the position of the disc

setPosition(column, row) - sets the position of the disc at the specified parameters

getColor() - gets the color of the disc

setColor(color) - sets the color of the disc

toString() - string representation of a disc

Board class

clearBoard() - empties the board

addDisc(column) - drops a disc into the board into a specified column

isConnected(disc) - returns true if two discs are connected

toString() - string representation of the board

Player class

setName(name) - sets a name to the current player

getName() - returns the name of the current player

getColor() - returns the color designated to the player

setColor(color) - sets a color to specific player

toString()

Game class

playConnectFour() - begins a game of Connect Four

getTurn() - displays whose turn it is

bestOfThree() - will store the scores of the players Best of Three game

toString()

win() - determines which player successfully placed 4 disks in a row

Driver class

main() - where we will make instances of Game and test our code

GUI class

main() - create a GUI to display board game