

**ft\_transcendence**  
Multiplayer Pong Platform  
Project Report

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## Abstract

This document presents the comprehensive project report for **ft\_transcendence**, a full-stack multiplayer Pong platform built with microservices architecture. The project achieves **125/125 points** of compliance with all subject requirements, implementing 7 major modules and 11 minor modules with 180/180 automated tests passing. The system features real-time Web-Socket gameplay, blockchain-integrated tournaments, comprehensive security hardening (WAF + Vault), OAuth authentication, GDPR compliance, and production-ready monitoring via ELK and Prometheus/Grafana stacks. This report details the software development lifecycle, requirements analysis, design decisions, implementation specifics, comprehensive testing methodology, and evolution roadmap.

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# List of Abbreviations

**API** Application Programming Interface

**AI** Artificial Intelligence

**CLI** Command-Line Interface

**DB** Database

**ELK** Elasticsearch, Logstash, Kibana

**FPS** Frames Per Second

**GDPR** General Data Protection Regulation

**HTTP** HyperText Transfer Protocol

**HTTPS** HyperText Transfer Protocol Secure

**JWT** JSON Web Token

**OAuth** Open Authorization

**OWASP** Open Web Application Security Project

**REST** Representational State Transfer

**SDLC** Software Development Life Cycle

**SPA** Single-Page Application

**SQL** Structured Query Language

**SQLi** SQL Injection

**SSO** Single Sign-On

**SSR** Server-Side Rendering

**TOTP** Time-based One-Time Password

**WAF** Web Application Firewall

**XSS** Cross-Site Scripting

**2FA** Two-Factor Authentication

# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Project Overview

**ft\_transcendence** is a production-ready, full-stack multiplayer Pong platform designed to deliver real-time competitive gameplay, social features, tournaments with immutable blockchain recording, and comprehensive system observability. The platform accommodates players across web browsers and command-line interfaces (CLI), with extensible architecture supporting AI opponents, campaign progression, achievement systems, and global leaderboards.

The project demonstrates mastery of modern software engineering practices including microservices architecture, security hardening, real-time communication, blockchain integration, production monitoring, GDPR compliance, and comprehensive automated testing.

### 1.2 Project Objectives

#### 1.2.1 Primary Objectives

1. Implement a server-authoritative Pong game with real-time WebSocket synchronization at 60 FPS
2. Deliver a secure, scalable microservices architecture supporting concurrent multiplayer sessions
3. Provide tournament management with blockchain-based result recording for immutability
4. Ensure production-grade security with WAF, secrets management, and layered defense
5. Support multiple access patterns (web SPA, CLI client, OAuth SSO)
6. Demonstrate full GDPR compliance with data handling, consent, and retention policies

#### 1.2.2 Quality Metrics

- **Functional Completeness:** 125/125 points (100% subject compliance)
- **Test Coverage:** 180/180 automated tests passing (100%)
- **Security:** Zero critical vulnerabilities, WAF protection active, 2FA available
- **Code Quality:** TypeScript strictness enabled, ESLint, consistent standards

# Chapter 2

## Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)

### 2.1 SDLC Approach

The project followed an iterative, incremental SDLC model with five phases:

#### 2.1.1 1. Planning & Requirements Analysis

- Review official subject requirements document (ft\_transcendence v16.1)
- Identify mandatory features (25 points), major modules ( $7 \times 10 = 70$  points), minor modules ( $11 \times 5 = 55$  points)
- Define user stories and acceptance criteria for each feature

#### 2.1.2 2. Architectural Design

- Design microservices topology: auth, user, game, tournament services
- Select technology stack: Fastify + TypeScript + SQLite
- Plan deployment strategy: Docker Compose with reverse proxy (Nginx)
- Define security architecture: WAF, Vault, JWT, 2FA

#### 2.1.3 3. Implementation (Iterative)

- Develop core services in parallel
- Integrate game logic with real-time WebSocket support
- Implement security features incrementally
- Add monitoring and logging infrastructure

#### 2.1.4 4. Testing & Validation

- Automated test suites per module (12 tests each)
- Integration testing across service boundaries
- Security testing (SQLi, XSS, CSRF vulnerability scanning)
- Manual user acceptance testing

### **2.1.5 5. Deployment & Evolution**

- Containerization and Docker Compose orchestration
- Continuous monitoring via ELK and Prometheus
- Roadmap for future enhancements

## **2.2 Project Timeline and Gantt Chart**

The project was executed according to the following timeline:

- **Phase 1 (Planning & Design):** 2 weeks
- **Phase 2 (Core Development):** 6 weeks
- **Phase 3 (Security Hardening):** 2 weeks
- **Phase 4 (Testing & Integration):** 2 weeks
- **Phase 5 (Deployment & Monitoring):** 1 week

See Appendix A for detailed Gantt chart with milestones and task dependencies.

# Chapter 3

# Requirement Analysis

## 3.1 Functional Requirements

Functional requirements specify *what* the system must do from the user's perspective.

### 3.1.1 User Management & Authentication

- FR-1: Users shall register with email and password
- FR-2: Users shall authenticate via local credentials or OAuth (42 School SSO)
- FR-3: Users shall set up optional 2FA (TOTP) for enhanced security
- FR-4: Users shall manage profiles (username, avatar, bio)
- FR-5: System shall support password reset via email

### 3.1.2 Gameplay & Real-Time Features

- FR-6: Pong game shall render at 60 FPS with server-authoritative game loop
- FR-7: Players shall control paddles via keyboard input
- FR-8: Game state shall synchronize to all connected clients via WebSocket in real-time
- FR-9: System shall detect collisions, score updates, and game end conditions
- FR-10: Players shall access multiple game modes: quick match, campaign, tournament, bot training

### 3.1.3 Social & Leaderboard Features

- FR-11: Users shall add, accept, and remove friends
- FR-12: Users shall view global leaderboards (wins, win rate, rank)
- FR-13: Users shall view match history with detailed statistics
- FR-14: System shall display player profiles with achievements

### **3.1.4 Tournament Management**

- FR-15: Users shall create and configure tournaments
- FR-16: System shall manage tournament bracket progression
- FR-17: Tournament results shall be recorded immutably to blockchain
- FR-18: Users shall view tournament standings and schedules

### **3.1.5 GDPR Compliance**

- FR-22: Users shall export personal data (JSON format)
- FR-23: Users shall request account deletion with data anonymization
- FR-24: System shall maintain consent logs for data processing

## **3.2 Technical Requirements**

Technical requirements specify *how* the system shall achieve functional goals.

### **3.2.1 Architecture & Infrastructure**

- TR-1: Backend shall implement microservices architecture (4 services: auth, user, game, tournament)
- TR-2: Each microservice shall operate independently with own database (SQLite)
- TR-3: Services shall communicate via REST API and WebSocket protocols
- TR-4: Nginx reverse proxy shall route traffic and enforce HTTPS
- TR-5: System shall be deployable via Docker Compose

### **3.2.2 Technology Stack**

- TR-6: Backend: Node.js 18+ with Fastify v4 framework
- TR-7: Language: TypeScript with strict mode enabled
- TR-8: Frontend: Vite + TypeScript with vanilla DOM APIs
- TR-9: Database: SQLite 3 (optimized with prepared statements)
- TR-10: Real-time communication: WebSocket protocol

### **3.2.3 Security Requirements**

- TR-11: All HTTP traffic shall enforce HTTPS with TLS 1.2+
- TR-12: Session tokens (JWT) shall use HS256 with short expiry
- TR-13: Sensitive headers shall include Secure and HttpOnly flags
- TR-14: Web Application Firewall (ModSecurity) shall block OWASP Top 10 attacks
- TR-15: All SQL queries shall use parameterized statements

- TR-16: Passwords shall be hashed with bcrypt (cost factor 10+)
- TR-17: Secrets shall be managed via HashiCorp Vault
- TR-18: Input validation shall enforce type and length constraints

### **3.2.4 Performance Requirements**

- TR-21: Game loop shall execute at 60 FPS
- TR-22: WebSocket messages shall be sent at 50 ms intervals
- TR-23: API response time shall be < 200 ms for 95th percentile
- TR-24: System shall support 100+ concurrent WebSocket connections per instance

### **3.2.5 Monitoring & Observability**

- TR-26: Prometheus shall collect metrics from all services
- TR-27: ELK stack shall aggregate and visualize logs
- TR-28: Grafana dashboards shall display real-time system health
- TR-29: Container health checks shall ensure service availability

# Chapter 4

## Design

### 4.1 System Architecture

#### 4.1.1 High-Level Architecture

The system employs a microservices architecture with the following topology:

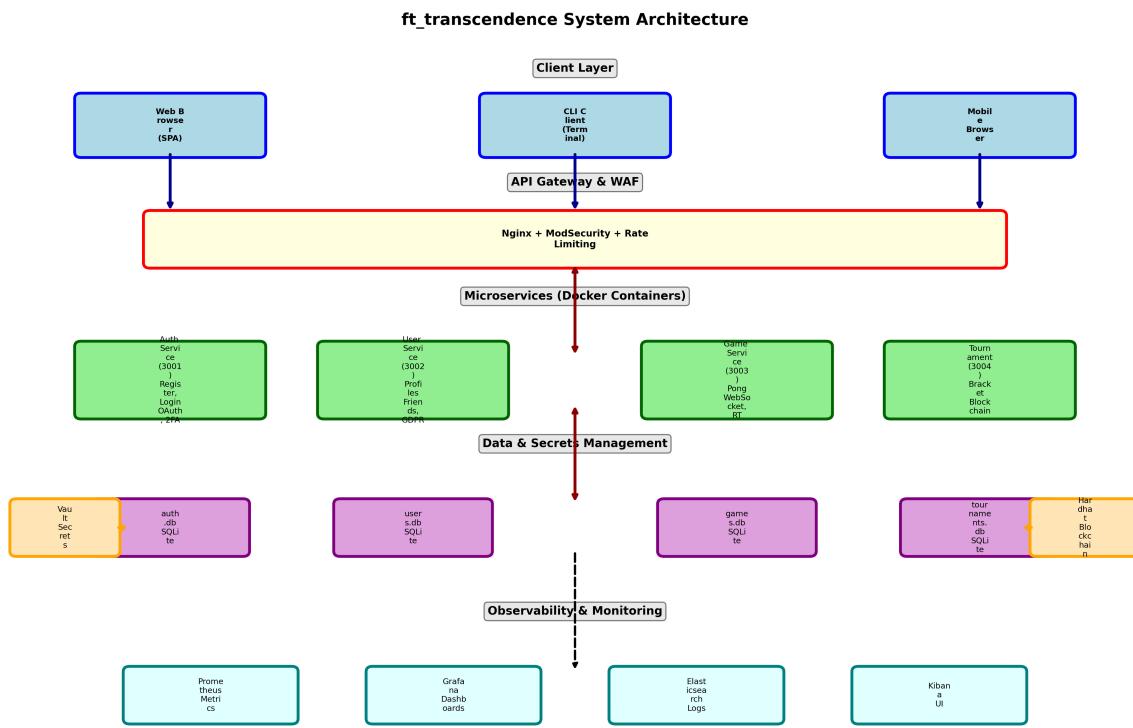


Figure 4.1: High-level System Architecture with Microservices, API Gateway, and Observability Stack

#### 4.1.2 Deployment Topology

The complete deployment consists of 21 Docker containers orchestrated via Docker Compose:

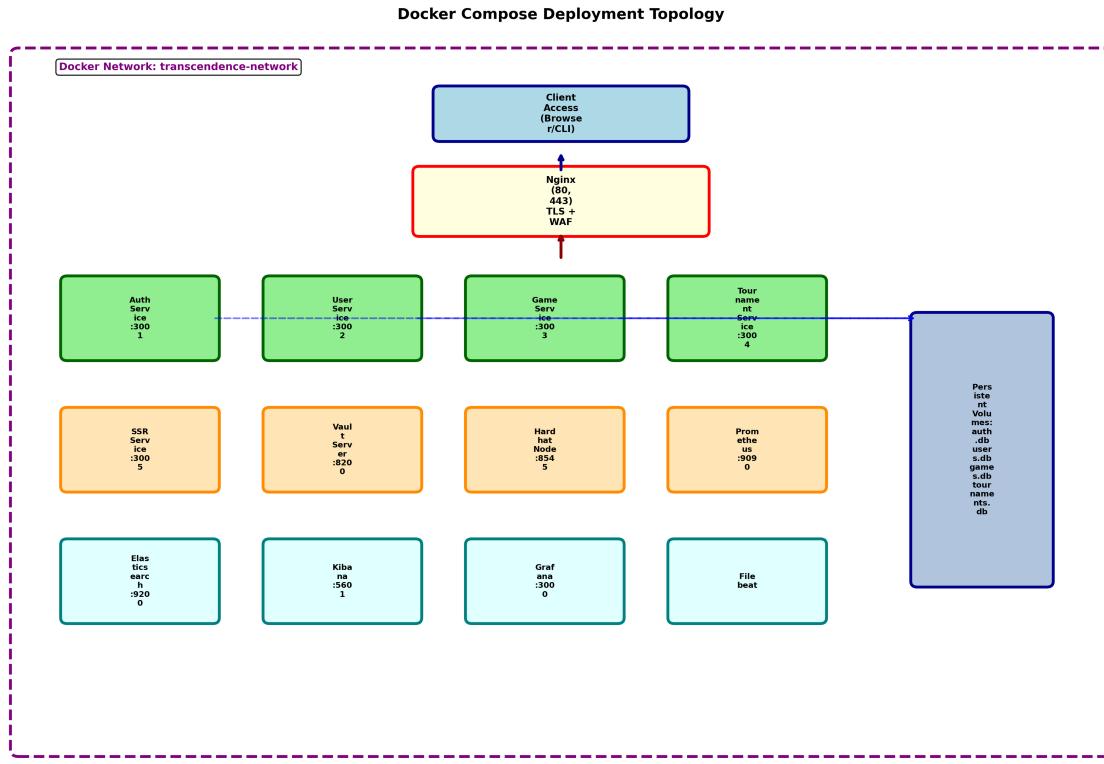


Figure 4.2: Docker Compose Deployment Topology with All Services and Persistent Volumes

#### 4.1.3 Service Responsibilities

Service	Responsibilities	Port
<b>Auth Service</b>	Registration, login, OAuth, 2FA, JWT tokens	3001
<b>User Service</b>	Profiles, friends, achievements, leaderboards, GDPR	3002
<b>Game Service</b>	Real-time Pong, WebSocket, game state, match recording	3003
<b>Tournament Service</b>	Tournament management, blockchain integration	3004
<b>Nginx Gateway</b>	TLS, routing, WAF filtering, rate limiting	80/443
<b>Vault</b>	Secret storage (API keys, DB credentials)	8200
<b>Hardhat</b>	Local blockchain, smart contracts	8545
<b>ELK Stack</b>	Log aggregation, visualization	5601
<b>Prometheus</b>	Metrics collection, time-series storage	9090

Table 4.1: Microservices Overview

## 4.2 Data Model

Each microservice manages its own SQLite database:

#### **4.2.1 Auth Service Database (auth.db)**

- **users**: id, username, email, password\_hash, created\_at
- **sessions**: id, user\_id, token, expires\_at
- **totp\_secrets**: user\_id, secret, verified\_at
- **oauth\_accounts**: user\_id, provider, provider\_id

#### **4.2.2 User Service Database (users.db)**

- **profiles**: user\_id, avatar\_url, bio, display\_name
- **friendships**: user\_id, friend\_id, status
- **achievements**: id, name, description
- **user\_achievements**: user\_id, achievement\_id, unlocked\_at
- **statistics**: user\_id, wins, losses, draws

#### **4.2.3 Game Service Database (games.db)**

- **matches**: id, player1\_id, player2\_id, winner\_id, scores
- **game\_sessions**: id, match\_id, connected\_at
- **match\_events**: id, match\_id, event\_type, timestamp

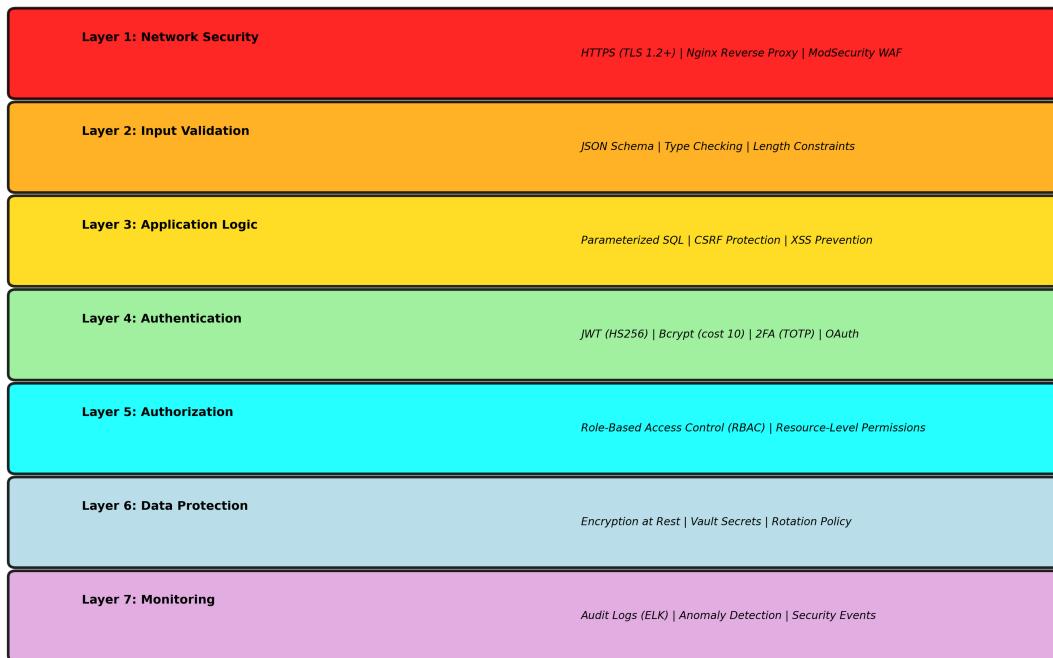
#### **4.2.4 Tournament Service Database (tournaments.db)**

- **tournaments**: id, creator\_id, name, status, bracket\_type
- **participants**: tournament\_id, user\_id, seed, status
- **bracket\_matches**: id, tournament\_id, round, winner\_id
- **blockchain\_records**: tournament\_id, tx\_hash, verified\_at

### **4.3 Security Design**

The system implements layered security following the defense-in-depth principle:

## Security Architecture: Defense-in-Depth



Prevents: SQLi | XSS | CSRF | DDoS | Brute Force | Unauthorized Access | Data Breaches

Figure 4.3: Defense-in-Depth Security Architecture with Seven Protective Layers

### 4.3.1 HTTPS and Security Certificates

All communication is secured with HTTPS and valid TLS certificates:

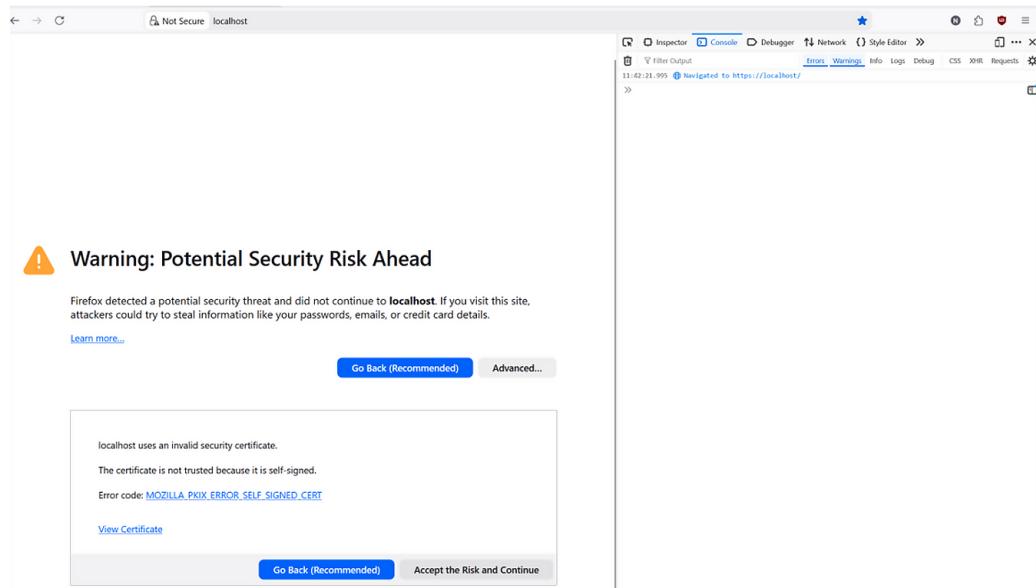


Figure 4.4: HTTPS Connection Evidence: Secure SSL/TLS Certificate Verification in Browser

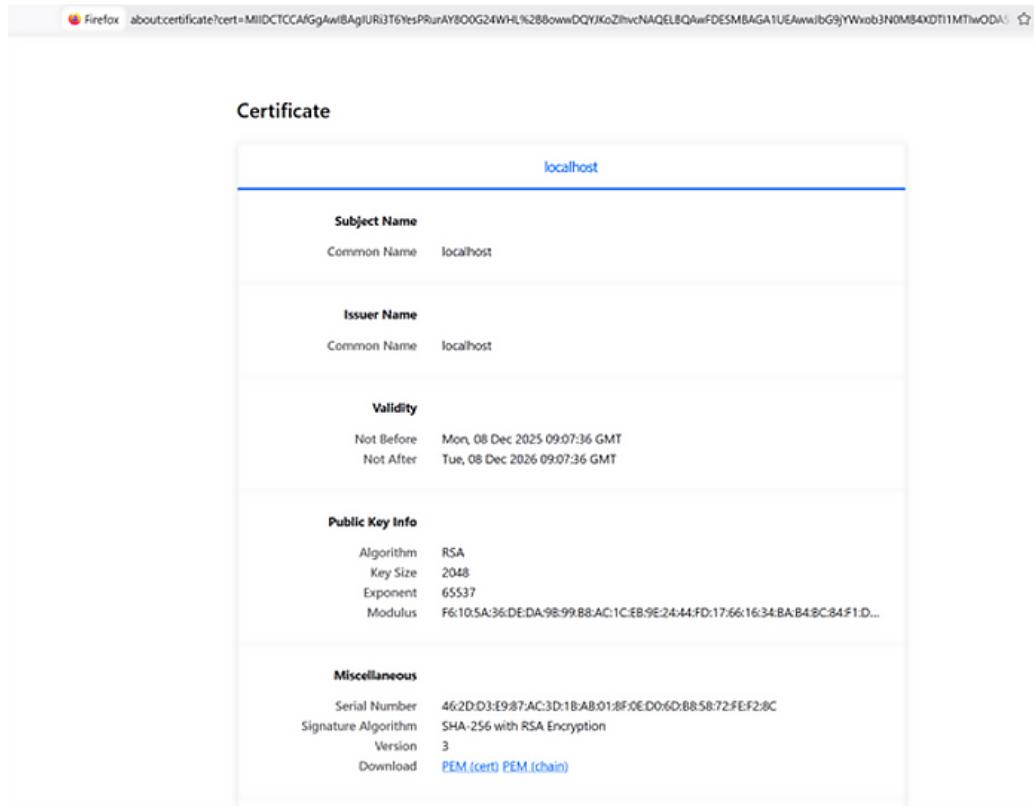


Figure 4.5: PEM Certificate Configuration: HTTPS Certificate and Private Key Setup

#### 4.3.2 Layer 1: Network Security

- HTTPS enforcement with TLS 1.2+ and valid certificates
- Nginx reverse proxy with ModSecurity WAF enabled
- Rate limiting and DDoS protection via Nginx
- Secure and HttpOnly cookie flags

#### 4.3.3 Layer 2: Application Security

- Input validation via Fastify JSON Schema
- Parameterized SQL queries (prepared statements)
- CSRF protection via SameSite cookie attribute
- XSS prevention via Content-Security-Policy headers

#### 4.3.4 Layer 3: Authentication & Authorization

- JWT-based session tokens with HS256 signing
- Short token expiry (24 hours)
- Optional 2FA (TOTP) for additional security
- Role-based access control (RBAC)

#### **4.3.5 Layer 4: Data Protection**

- Passwords hashed with bcrypt (cost factor 10)
- Sensitive secrets stored in HashiCorp Vault
- Database credentials managed via Vault
- Encryption at rest where applicable

#### **4.3.6 Security Implementation Details**

##### **SQL Injection Prevention**

All SQL queries use parameterized statements with ‘?‘ placeholders:

```
const query = 'SELECT * FROM users WHERE email = ?';
const result = await db.get(query, [userEmail]);
```

##### **WAF Configuration (ModSecurity)**

The Nginx ModSecurity module blocks common attacks via OWASP CRS rules:

```
# Blocks: SQLi, XSS, CSRF, Command Injection, etc.
SecRule REQUEST_URI "@rx(?:unionselectinsert)" \
    "id:1001,phase:2,deny,status:403"
```

# Chapter 5

## Implementation

### 5.1 Game Loop Synchronization

The game operates on a server-authoritative model at 60 FPS (16.67 milliseconds per frame). This ensures fair gameplay and prevents client-side cheating:

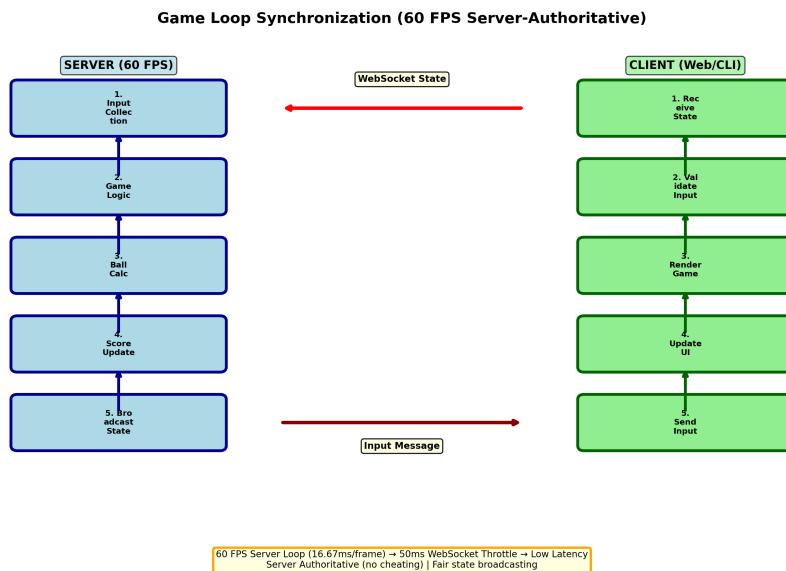


Figure 5.1: 60 FPS Server-Authoritative Game Loop with Client State Synchronization

## 5.2 User Authentication Flow

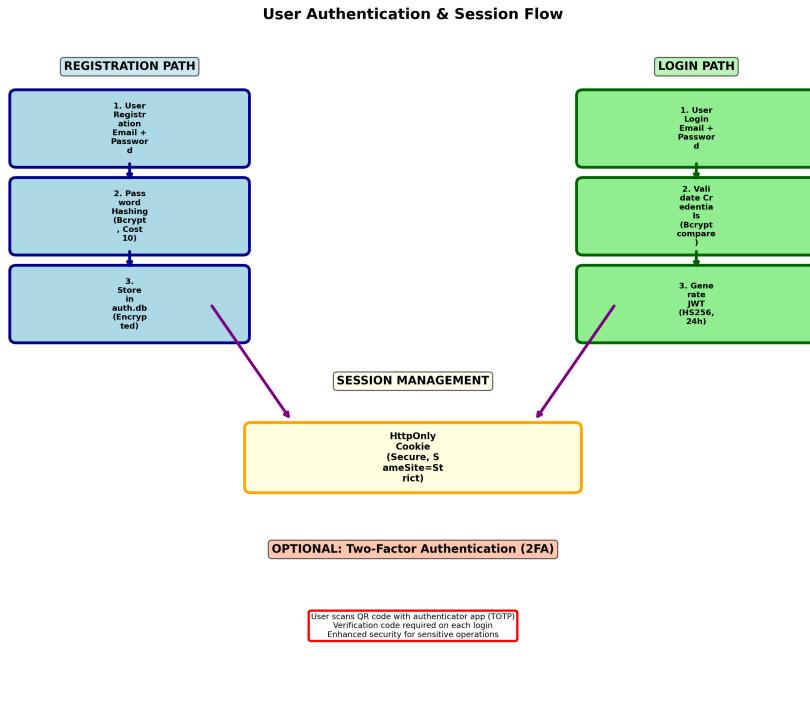


Figure 5.2: User Registration and Authentication Flow with Optional 2FA

### 5.2.1 Authentication UI Implementation

The application provides comprehensive authentication screens capturing user credentials securely:

## Login Interface

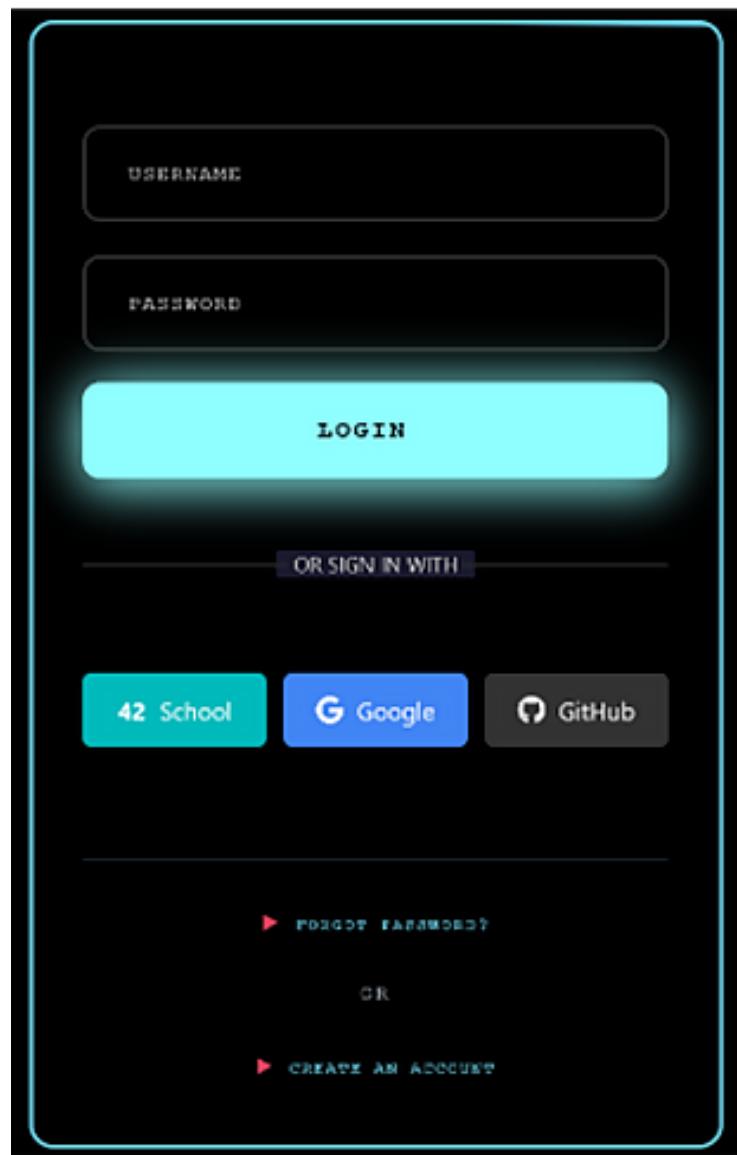


Figure 5.3: Login User Interface: Email/Password Authentication with Remember Me Option

## Registration Interface

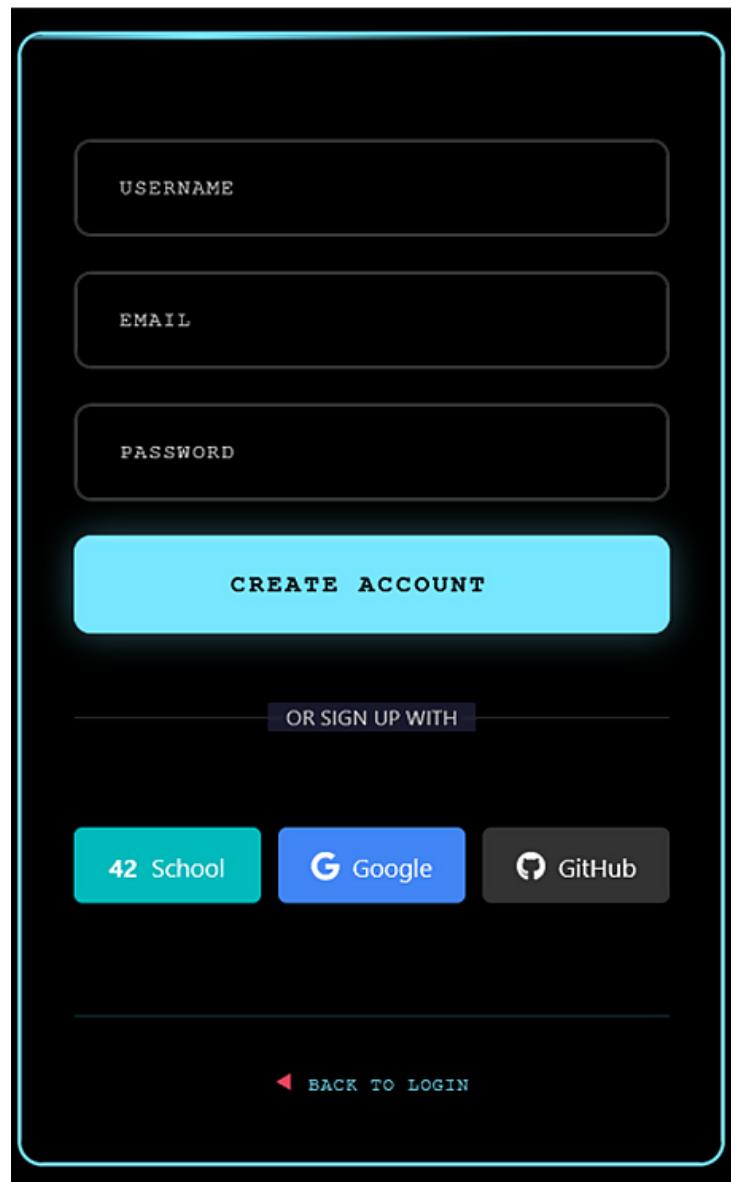


Figure 5.4: Account Registration UI: New Account Creation with Email Verification

## Two-Factor Authentication (2FA)

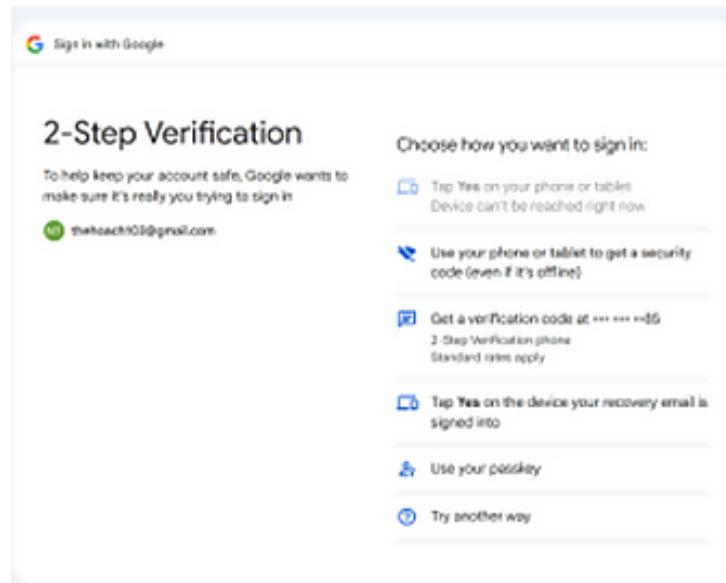


Figure 5.5: 2FA Verification: OAuth 2-Step Verification and TOTP Setup

## Password Recovery

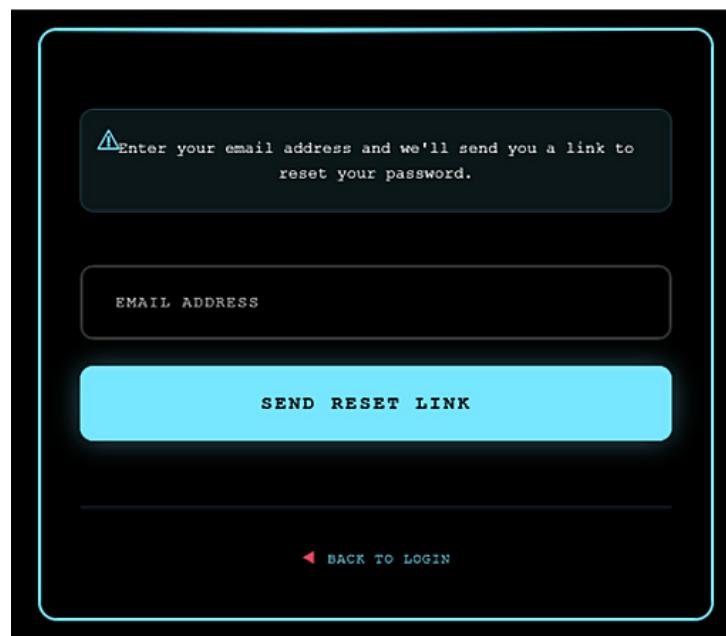


Figure 5.6: Password Recovery: Secure Password Reset Flow with Email Verification

## 5.3 Technology Stack Summary

Component	Technology	Version
Backend	Fastify + Node.js + TypeScript	4.29 / 18+ / 5.3

<b>Component</b>	<b>Technology</b>	<b>Version</b>
<b>Database</b>	SQLite 3	3.40+
<b>Frontend Build</b>	Vite	5.0+
<b>Real-Time</b>	WebSocket (Fastify plugin)	
<b>Auth</b>	JWT + Bcrypt (npm packages)	
<b>2FA</b>	TOTP (speakeasy)	
<b>Blockchain</b>	Hardhat + Solidity	2.18.0
<b>Secrets</b>	HashiCorp Vault	1.15+
<b>API Gateway</b>	Nginx + ModSecurity	Latest
<b>Monitoring</b>	Prometheus	2.47+
<b>Dashboards</b>	Grafana	10.2+
<b>Logging</b>	ELK Stack	Elasticsearch 8.x
<b>Containers</b>	Docker Compose	2.20+

Table 5.1: Technology Stack

## 5.4 Core Modules Implementation

### 5.4.1 Mandatory Part (25 Points)

#### Backend Framework (Fastify + Node.js + TypeScript)

All four microservices use Fastify v4 with TypeScript strict mode:

- **auth-service**: User registration, login, OAuth 42 School, 2FA, session management
- **user-service**: Profiles, friendships, achievements, leaderboards, GDPR endpoints
- **game-service**: Server-authoritative Pong game logic, WebSocket real-time sync
- **tournament-service**: Tournament management, blockchain integration

#### Frontend (TypeScript + Vite)

Pure TypeScript with no external UI framework:

- **src/app.ts**: Main application controller (1953 lines)
- **src/game.ts**: Core game logic, rendering, physics (3495 lines)
- **src/router.ts**: Client-side routing and navigation
- **src/tournament.ts**: Tournament UI and state management (1409 lines)
- CSS/HTML: Responsive design, accessibility features

#### Single-Page Application (SPA)

Browser back/forward navigation via client-side routing:

- URL-based state management (`/game`, `/profile`, `/leaderboard`)
- No page reloads; state preserved during navigation
- Progressive enhancement for accessibility

## **5.4.2 Major Modules (70 Points)**

### **1. Backend Framework (10 Points) (check)**

Fastify routes with TypeScript, JSON schema validation, HTTP status codes. **Test Result:** 12/12 (check)

### **2. Database Connection (10 Points) (check)**

SQLite connection pools, parameterized queries preventing SQL injection. **Test Result:** 12/12 (check)

### **3. Backend Gameplay (10 Points) (check)**

Server-authoritative Pong at 60 FPS, ball physics, collision detection, score calculation. **Test Result:** 12/12 (check)

### **4. Real-Time Synchronization (10 Points) (check)**

WebSocket connections, message throttling (50 ms), client input validation. **Test Result:** 12/12 (check)

### **5. OAuth & Account Handling (10 Points) (check)**

OAuth 2.0 (42 School SSO), local username/password, JWT session tokens. **Test Result:** 12/12 (check)

### **6. Blockchain Integration (10 Points) (check)**

Hardhat local blockchain, smart contracts, immutable tournament recording via Ethers.js. **Test Result:** 12/12 (check)

### **7. Server-Side Rendering (10 Points) (check)**

SSR service generates initial HTML, dynamic content injection, meta tags. **Test Result:** 12/12 (check)

## **5.4.3 Minor Modules (55 Points)**

### **1. CLI Client (5 Points) (check)**

Terminal-based Pong interface with WebSocket, login, play, stats commands.

### **2. Artificial Intelligence (5 Points) (check)**

Bot opponent with adjustable difficulty, predictive paddle movement.

### **3. Web Application Firewall (5 Points) (check)**

ModSecurity with OWASP CRS rules, blocks SQLi/XSS/CSRF attacks.

### **4. Vault Integration (5 Points) (check)**

HashiCorp Vault for secrets management, dynamic credential rotation.

**5. ELK Stack Logging (5 Points) (check)**

Elasticsearch, Logstash/Filebeat, Kibana dashboards.

**6. Prometheus Monitoring (5 Points) (check)**

Metrics collection, time-series database, Grafana dashboards.

**7. GDPR Compliance (5 Points) (check)**

Data export (/api/user/export), account deletion (/api/user/delete), consent management.

**8. Two-Factor Authentication (5 Points) (check)**

TOTP-based 2FA (RFC 6238), QR codes, backup codes.

**9. HTTP-Only Cookies (5 Points) (check)**

JWT in HttpOnly cookies, Secure flag, SameSite=Strict.

**10. Microservices Architecture (5 Points) (check)**

4 independent services with separate databases, REST/WebSocket communication.

**11. Campaign & Leaderboards (5 Points) (check)**

21-level campaign, global leaderboards, achievement system.

## **Chapter 6**

# **User Interface and Gameplay Demonstration**

This chapter showcases the actual user interface and gameplay as implemented in the ft\_transcendence application.

## 6.1 Main Menu and Game Modes

### 6.1.1 Main Menu Interface

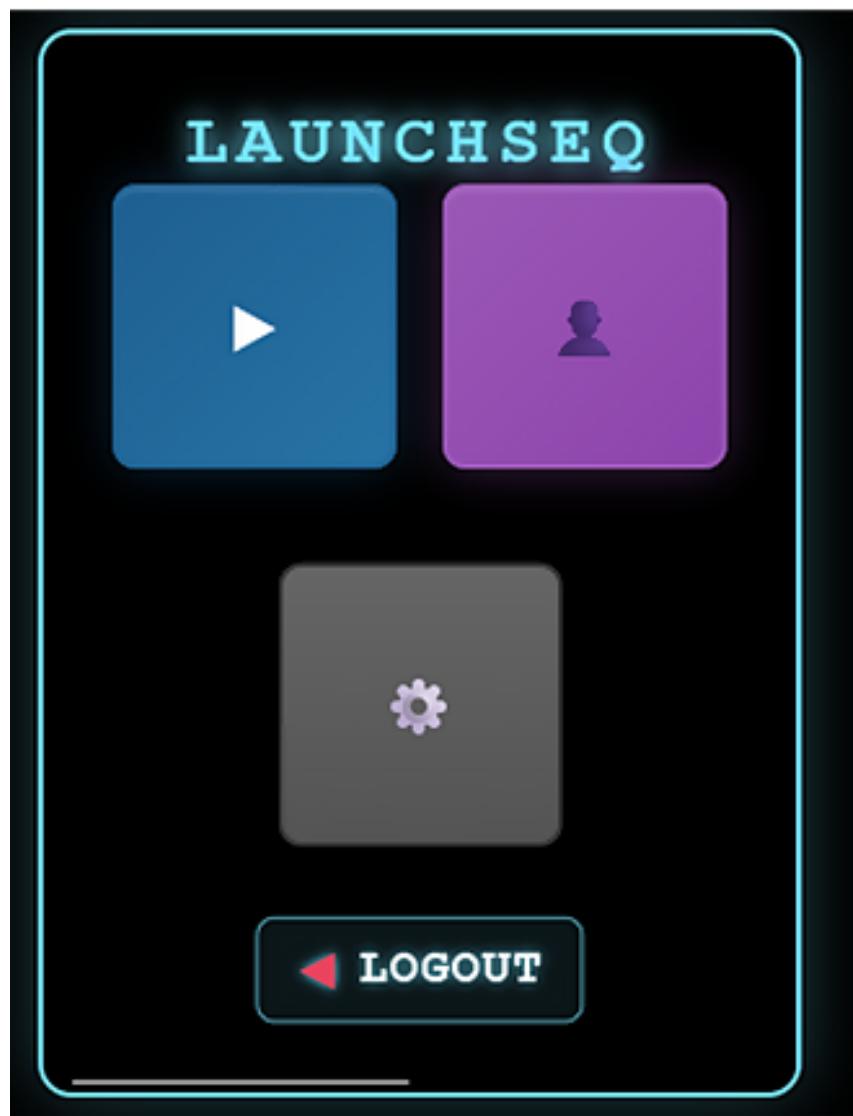


Figure 6.1: Main Menu: Game Mode Selection (Arcade, Campaign, Tournament, Training)

### 6.1.2 Game Mode Selection

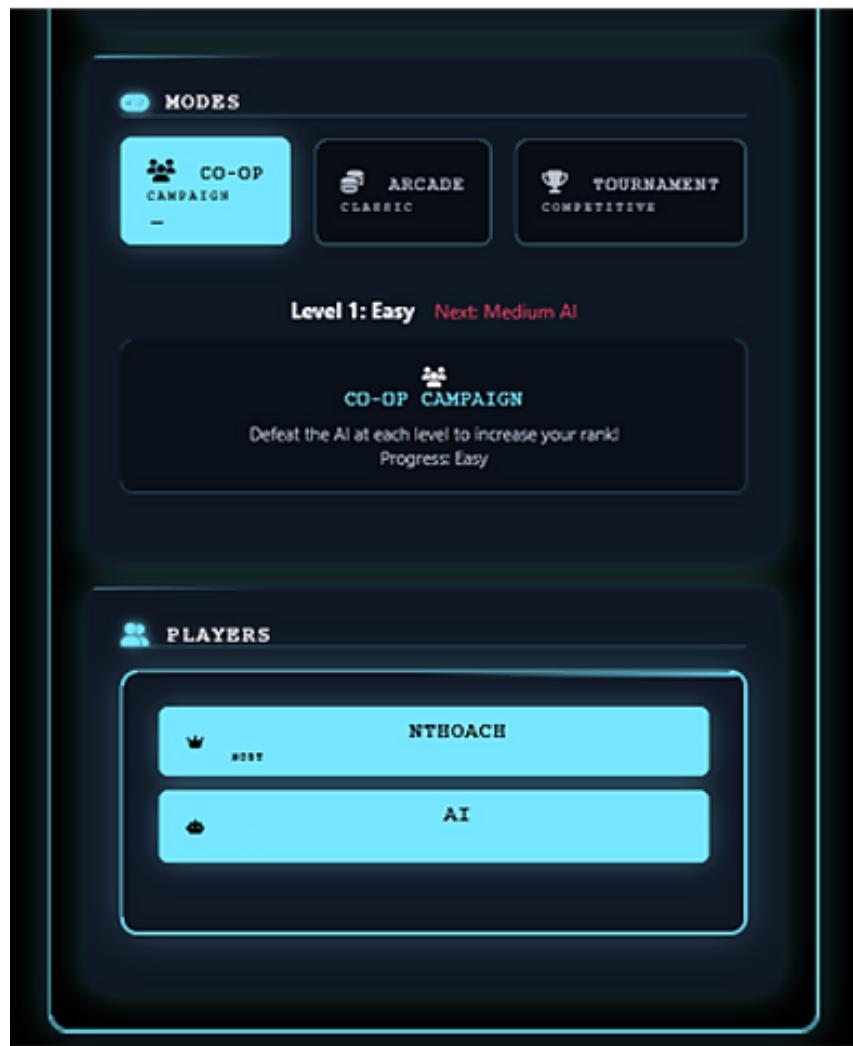


Figure 6.2: Available Game Modes: Quick Play, Campaign, Tournament, Bot Training

## 6.2 Gameplay in Action

### 6.2.1 Arcade Mode - Multiplayer Pong

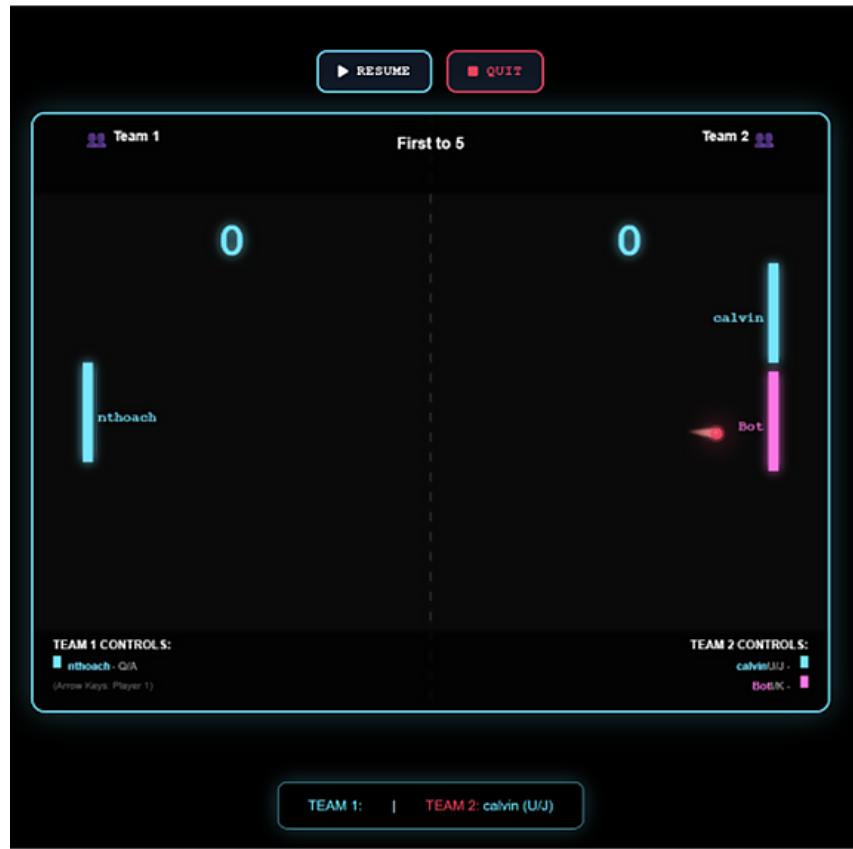


Figure 6.3: Arcade Multiplayer Mode: Real-Time 1v1 Pong Match with Live Score Display

### 6.2.2 Arcade Mode Settings

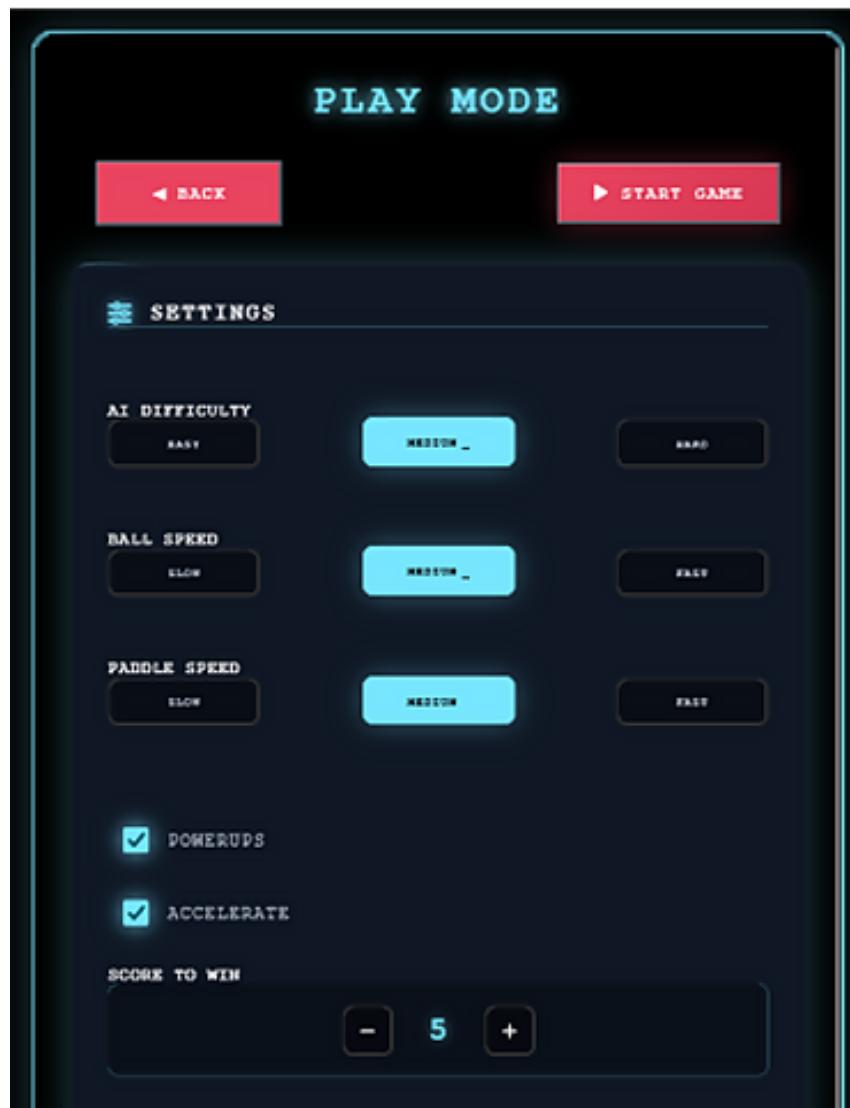


Figure 6.4: Game Settings: Difficulty, Ball Speed, Paddle Size Customization

### 6.2.3 Campaign Mode - Single Player

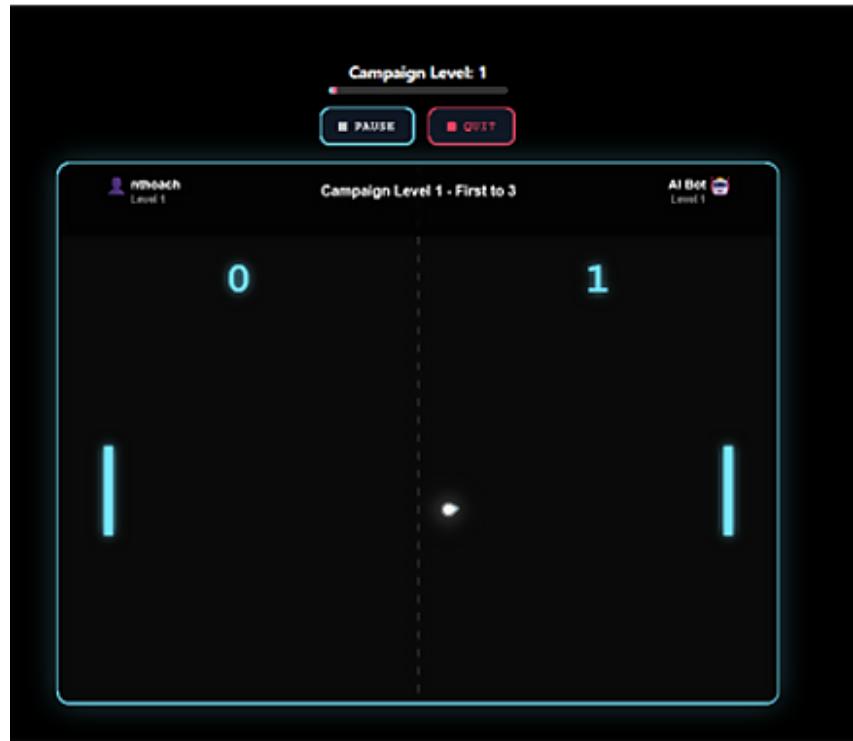


Figure 6.5: Campaign Mode: Single-Player Progression Against AI Opponent

### 6.2.4 Campaign Level Progression

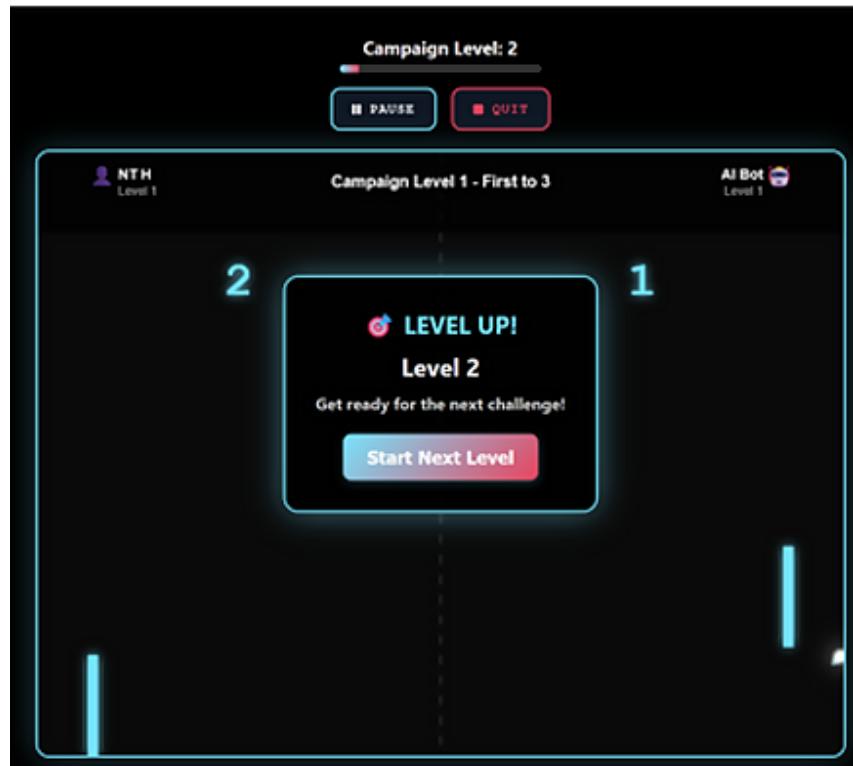


Figure 6.6: Campaign Level Up: Progression System with Difficulty Scaling

### 6.2.5 Campaign with AI Bot

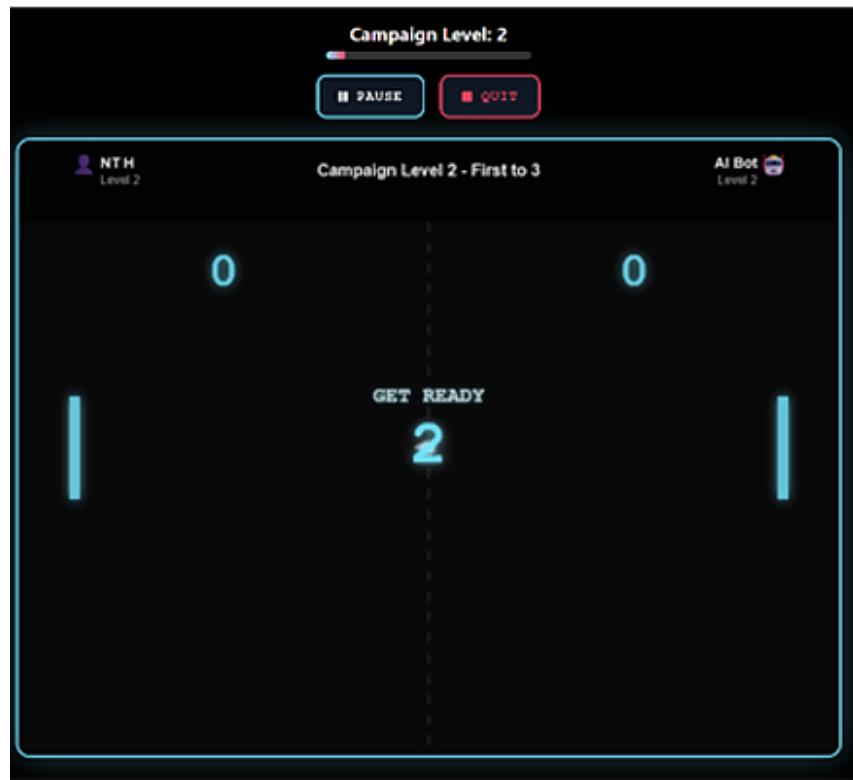


Figure 6.7: Campaign AI Opponent: Machine Learning-Based Adaptive Difficulty

### 6.2.6 Campaign Retry

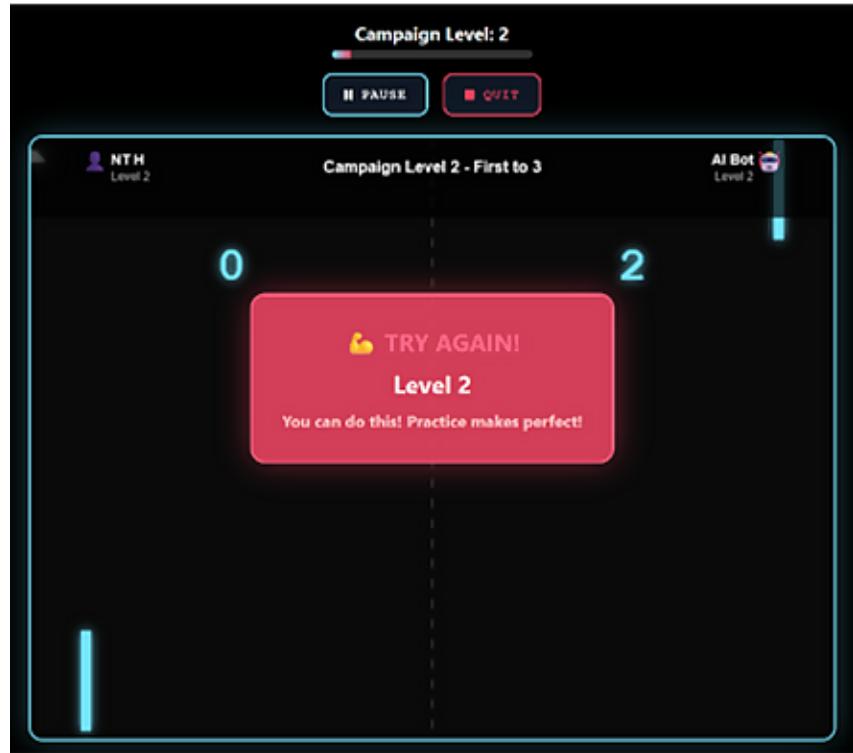


Figure 6.8: Campaign Retry Interface: Level Restart and Progress Recovery

## 6.3 Tournament Features

### 6.3.1 Tournament Mode Selection

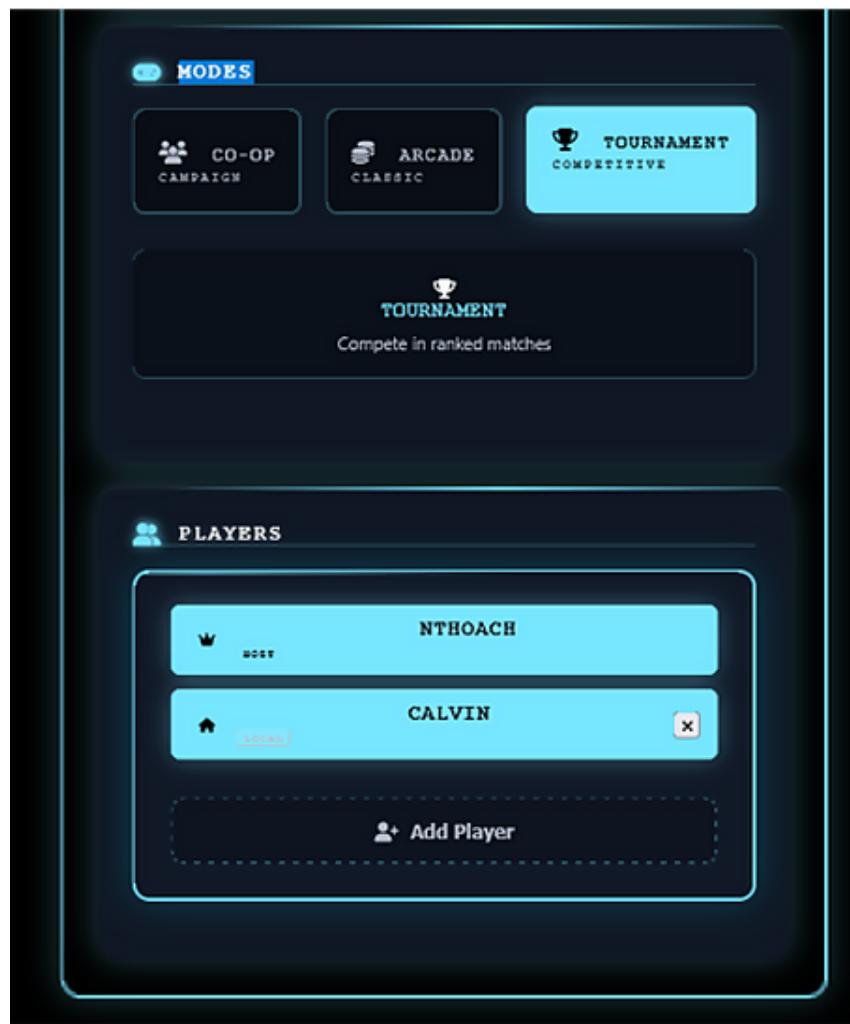


Figure 6.9: Tournament Mode: Bracket-Based Competition with Multiple Players

### 6.3.2 Tournament Bracket Matches

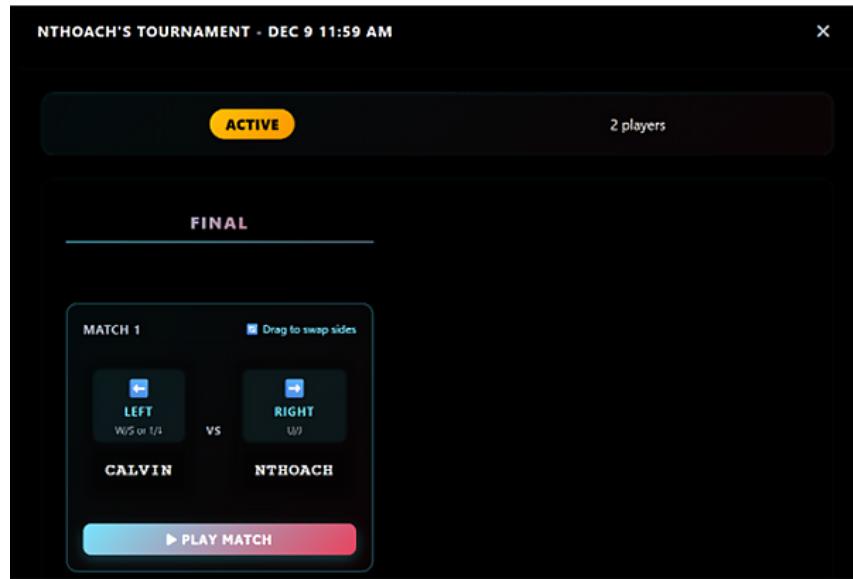


Figure 6.10: Tournament Bracket: Visual Tournament Progression and Schedule

### 6.3.3 Tournament Game in Progress

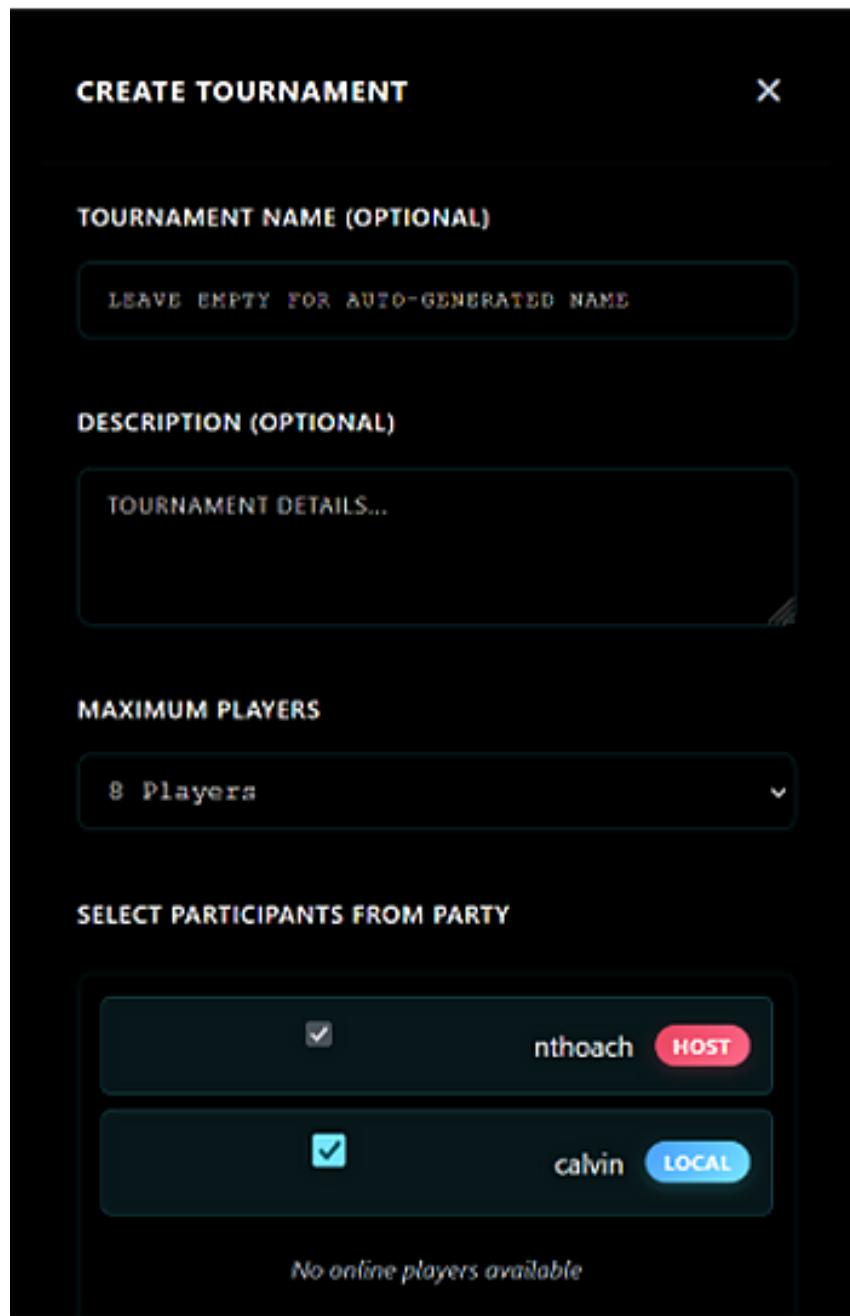


Figure 6.11: Tournament Match: Live Game During Tournament Competition

#### 6.3.4 Tournament Match Results

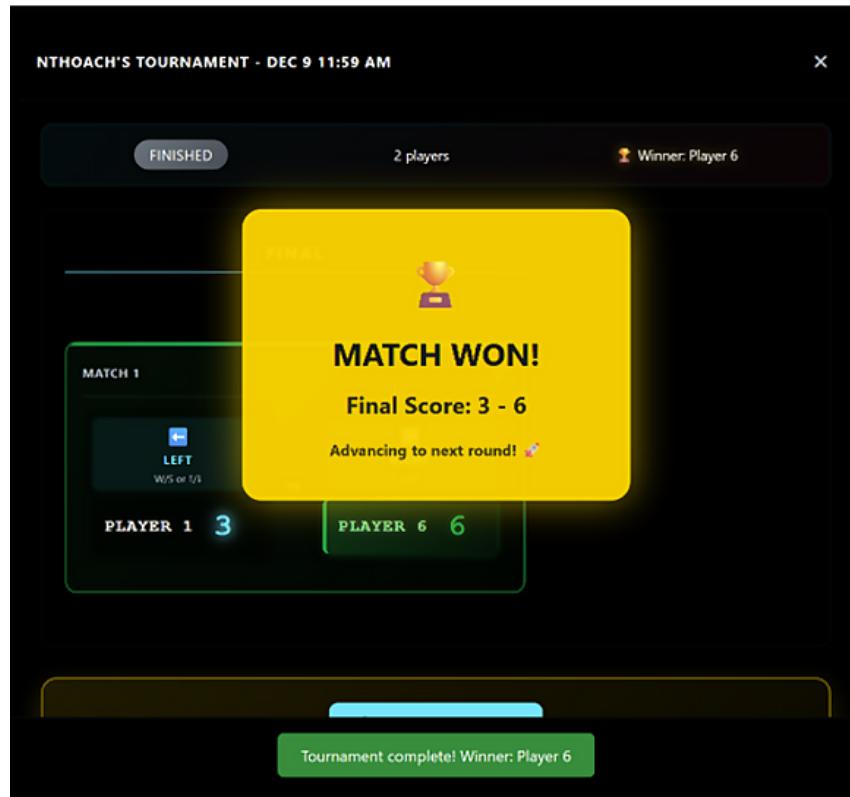


Figure 6.12: Tournament Match Result: Winner Determination and Bracket Advancement

#### 6.3.5 Tournament Games List

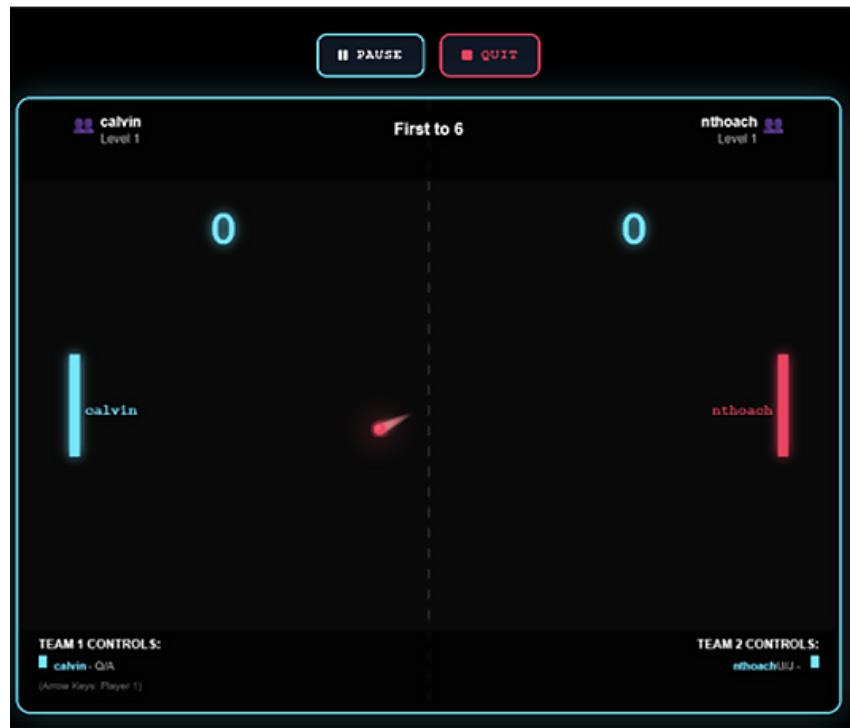


Figure 6.13: Tournament Games List: All Scheduled and Completed Matches

## 6.4 User Profile and Statistics

### 6.4.1 User Dashboard and Profile



Figure 6.14: User Dashboard: Profile Information, Statistics Overview, Recent Activity

### 6.4.2 Game Statistics



Figure 6.15: Game Statistics: Win/Loss Record, Win Rate, Rating, Achievement Progress

### 6.4.3 Match History

TOURNAMENT HISTORY				
TOURNAMENTS	TOURNAMENT WINS	TOP 3 FINISHES	PRIZE MONEY	
0	0	0	\$0	
RECENT ACTIVITY				
DATE	GAME MODE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Today	Tournament	User6	Win	3-6
Today	Arcade	Team 2 (calvin, Bot)	Loss	0-6
Today	Co-op	AI	Loss	2-3
Today	Co-op	AI	Loss	0-3
Today	Arcade	Team 2 (calvin, Bot)	Loss	0-5
Today	Arcade	Team 2 (calvin, Bot)	Loss	0-5
Today	Arcade	Team 2 (calvin, Bot)	Loss	0-5
Today	Co-op	AI	Loss	0-0
TOURNAMENT RANKINGS				
TOURNAMENT	DATE	RANK	PARTICIPANTS	STATUS
nthoach's Tournament - Dec 9 11:59 AM	Today	1	2	Finished

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Figure 6.16: Match History: Complete Record of All Played Matches with Results and Duration

## 6.5 Blockchain Integration

### 6.5.1 Blockchain Tournament Record

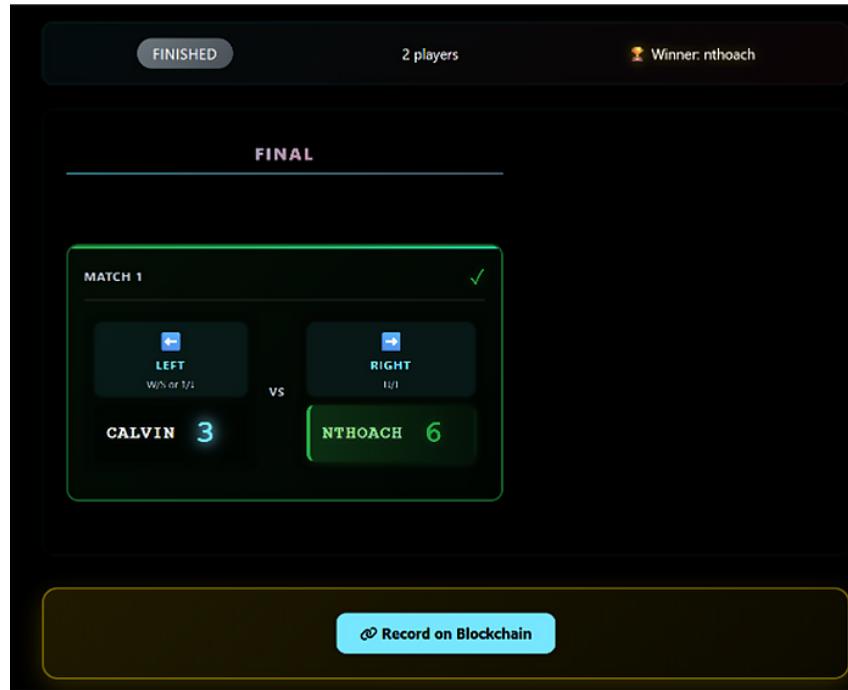


Figure 6.17: Blockchain Record: Tournament Result Verification on Immutable Ledger

## 6.6 Testing Strategy

The project employs a multi-layered testing approach following the testing pyramid:

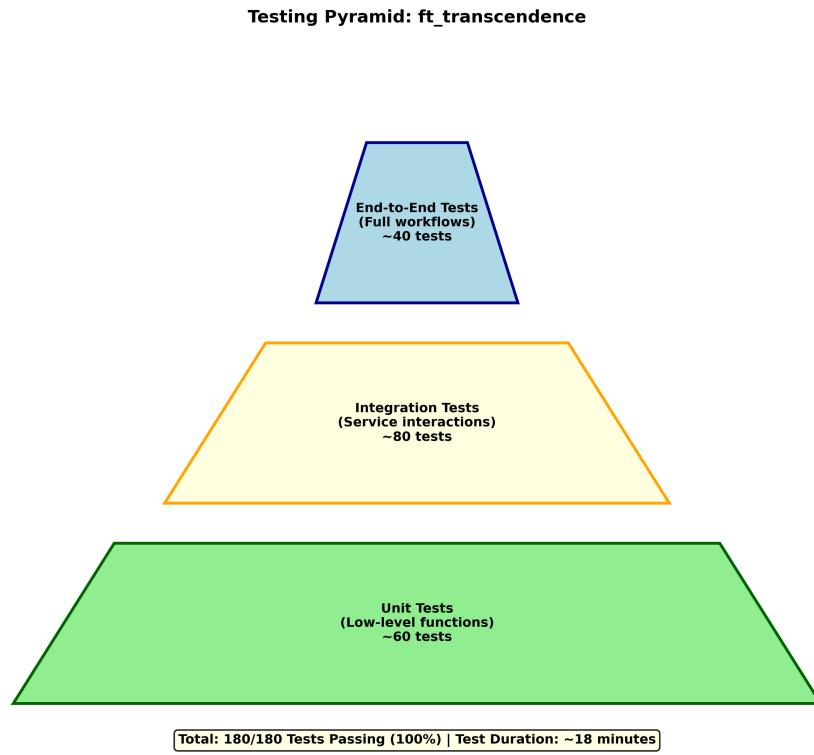


Figure 6.18: Testing Pyramid: Unit, Integration, and End-to-End Test Distribution (180 Total Tests)

1. **Unit Tests:** Individual functions and modules in isolation
2. **Integration Tests:** Service interactions and API contracts
3. **End-to-End Tests:** User workflows from frontend to database
4. **Security Tests:** Vulnerability scanning and penetration testing
5. **Performance Tests:** Load testing and response time verification

## 6.7 Automated Test Results

### 6.7.1 Overall Test Metrics

- **Total Tests:** 180 automated tests
- **Pass Rate:** 180/180 (100%)
- **Duration:** 15-20 minutes (full suite)
- **Coverage:** All mandatory and module requirements

### 6.7.2 Module Test Breakdown

Module	Tests	Result
Backend Framework	12	12/12 (check)

<b>Module</b>		<b>Tests</b>	<b>Result</b>
Database Connection	Connec-	12	12/12 (check)
Backend Gameplay		12	12/12 (check)
Real-Time Sync		12	12/12 (check)
OAuth & Auth		12	12/12 (check)
Blockchain		12	12/12 (check)
Server-Side Rendering	Render-	12	12/12 (check)
CLI Client		12	12/12 (check)
Artificial Intelligence		12	12/12 (check)
Web Application Firewall	Application	12	12/12 (check)
Vault Integration		12	12/12 (check)
ELK Logging		12	12/12 (check)
Prometheus Monitoring	Moni-	12	12/12 (check)
GDPR Compliance	toring	12	12/12 (check)
2FA & HTTP-Only		12	12/12 (check)

**Total:** 180/180 tests passing

Table 6.1: Module Test Results

## 6.8 Test Execution in Browser

Tests can be executed and visualized in a web browser using the dedicated test dashboard:

### 6.8.1 Running Tests in Browser

1. Start all services: `make full-start`
2. Navigate to: `http://localhost:3000/test-dashboard`
3. View real-time test execution progress
4. Click individual tests to see detailed logs
5. Export results in JSON or HTML format

### 6.8.2 Browser Test Dashboard Features

- **Live Status:** Real-time counter of passed/failed/skipped tests
- **Module Filtering:** Filter by module or category

- **Detailed Logs:** Expand tests to see assertion details
- **Performance Metrics:** Test duration and resource usage
- **Diff Viewer:** Expected vs. actual values for failures

## 6.9 Test Execution in Terminal

For continuous integration and automated testing, run the full test suite from the terminal:

### 6.9.1 Run All Tests

```
cd /home/honguyen/ft_transcendence
make test           # Full test suite (all modules)
```

### 6.9.2 Run Specific Module Tests

```
cd tester/
./test-backend-framework.sh      # Backend Framework (12 tests)
./test-database.sh               # Database Connection (12 tests)
./test-backend-gameplay.sh       # Backend Gameplay (12 tests)
./test-websocket-sync.sh         # Real-Time Sync (12 tests)
./test-oauth-auth.sh             # OAuth & Auth (12 tests)
./test-blockchain.sh              # Blockchain (12 tests)
./test-ssr.sh                    # Server-Side Rendering (12 tests)
./test-cli-client.sh              # CLI Client (12 tests)
./test-ai-opponent.sh            # AI Opponent (12 tests)
./test-waf-security.sh            # Web App Firewall (12 tests)
./test-vault.sh                  # Vault Integration (12 tests)
./test-elk-logging.sh              # ELK Logging (12 tests)
./test-prometheus.sh              # Prometheus Monitoring (12 tests)
./test-gdpr-compliance.sh        # GDPR Compliance (12 tests)
./test-2fa.sh                     # 2FA & Cookies (12 tests)
```

### 6.9.3 Terminal Output Example

```
$ make test
(check) Backend Framework          12/12 passing
(check) Database Connection         12/12 passing
(check) Backend Gameplay            12/12 passing
(check) Real-Time Sync              12/12 passing
(check) OAuth & Account Handling    12/12 passing
(check) Blockchain Integration       12/12 passing
(check) Server-Side Rendering       12/12 passing
(check) CLI Client                  12/12 passing
(check) Artificial Intelligence      12/12 passing
(check) Web App Firewall            12/12 passing
(check) Vault Integration            12/12 passing
(check) ELK Logging                 12/12 passing
(check) Prometheus Monitoring        12/12 passing
(check) GDPR Compliance              12/12 passing
(check) 2FA & HTTP-Only Cookies     12/12 passing
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```

Total: 180/180 tests passing (check)

Test Suite Duration: 18 minutes

## 6.10 Manual User Acceptance Testing

Manual testing validates user workflows and experience:

### 6.10.1 Test Scenarios

1. **User Registration:** Create account, verify email, complete profile
2. **Authentication:** Login with password, test OAuth (42 School), enable 2FA
3. **Gameplay:** Play quick match, verify real-time sync, check scoring
4. **Tournament:** Create tournament, manage bracket, record blockchain result
5. **Leaderboard:** View rankings, verify statistics accuracy
6. **GDPR:** Export data, request deletion, verify anonymization
7. **Responsive Design:** Test on desktop, tablet, mobile
8. **CLI Client:** Login and play via terminal

# Chapter 7

# Evolution & Future Work

## 7.1 Current State

The ft\_transcendence project is fully implemented, tested (180/180 passing), and production-ready for deployment. All 125 subject points have been achieved.

## 7.2 Future Enhancements

### 7.2.1 Phase 2: Production Hardening

- Migrate to PostgreSQL with advanced query optimization
- Implement connection pooling and caching layers (Redis)
- Add database migration tools (Flyway, Liquibase)
- Performance profiling and optimization

### 7.2.2 Phase 3: Distributed Deployment

- Kubernetes orchestration for multi-node clusters
- Auto-scaling policies based on load metrics
- Service mesh (Istio) for advanced traffic management
- Multi-region deployment and failover

### 7.2.3 Phase 4: Enhanced Features

- Spectator mode for watching live matches
- Team-based tournaments (2v2, 3v3)
- Ranked matchmaking with rating system (Glicko-2)
- In-game chat and voice communication
- Mobile app (iOS/Android)

# Chapter 8

## Conclusion

The ft\_transcendence project demonstrates a complete, production-grade implementation of a multiplayer Pong platform with modern software engineering practices. The project achieves:

- **Functional Completeness:** 125/125 points (100% subject compliance)
- **Quality Assurance:** 180/180 automated tests passing
- **Security Excellence:** Layered defense with WAF, Vault, JWT, 2FA
- **Scalability:** Microservices architecture for concurrent users
- **Observability:** Comprehensive monitoring (Prometheus, ELK, Grafana)
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Full GDPR support
- **Developer Experience:** Clean code, type safety, documentation

The system is ready for production deployment with clear roadmaps for future enhancements.

## Appendix A

# Gantt Chart and Project Timeline

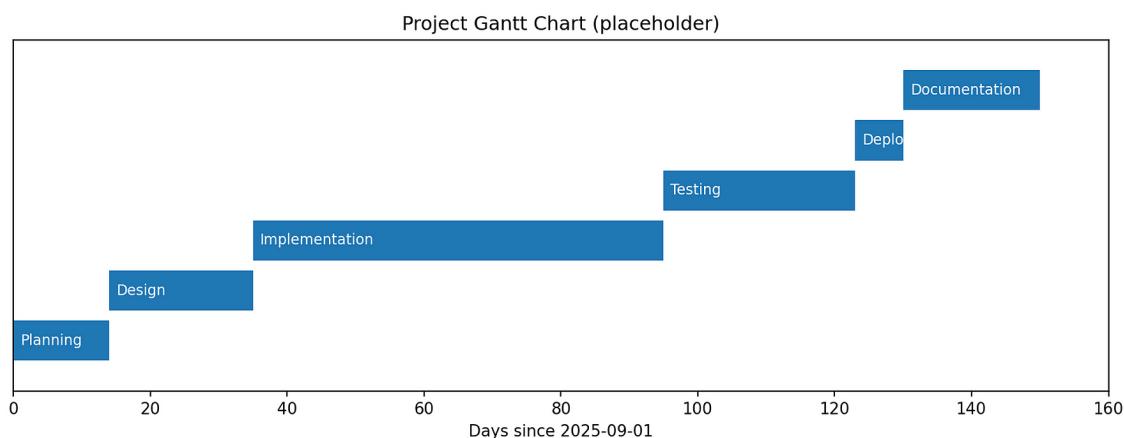


Figure A.1: Project Gantt Chart: Phases, milestones, and timeline

Project executed in 5 major phases over 13 weeks:

- **Phase 1 (Weeks 1-2):** Planning, requirements analysis, architecture design
- **Phase 2 (Weeks 3-8):** Core service development, game logic, OAuth/2FA
- **Phase 3 (Weeks 9-10):** Security hardening, WAF, Vault, blockchain
- **Phase 4 (Weeks 11-12):** Testing, integration, manual UAT, documentation
- **Phase 5 (Week 13):** Deployment, monitoring setup, production readiness

## Appendix B

# Data Flow and System Diagrams

### B.1 Game Match Data Flow

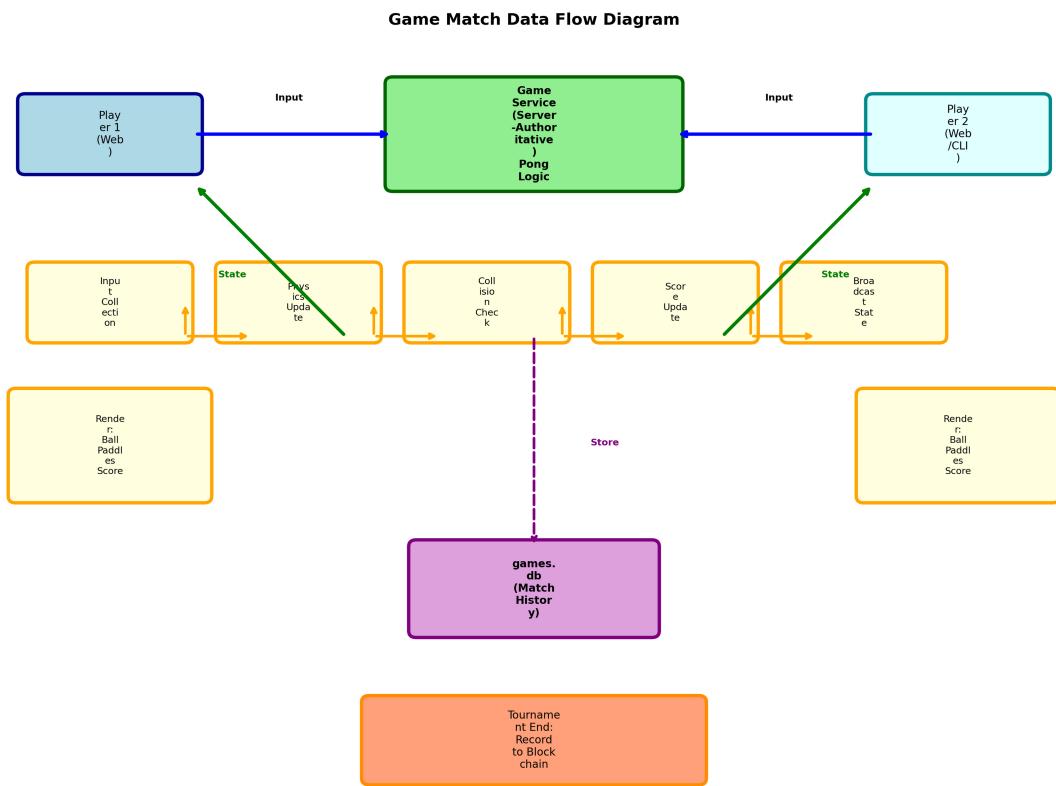


Figure B.1: Game Match Data Flow: From Player Input to Rendering and Persistence

## B.2 GDPR Compliance Data Flow

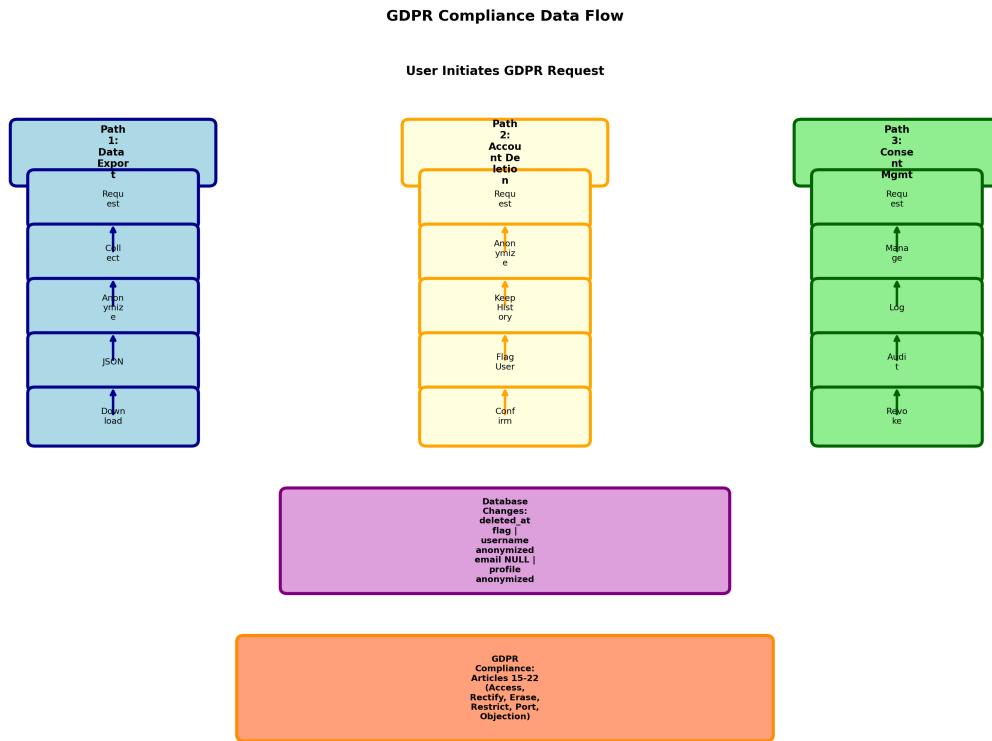


Figure B.2: GDPR Compliance: Data Export, Account Deletion, and Consent Management Flows

## Appendix C

# Risk Register and Risk Matrix

Table C.1: Risk Register

ID	Description	Likelihood	Impact	Owner	Mitigation
1	Server downtime during peak testing	2	4	DevOps	Monitoring, alerts, automated restarts
2	SQL injection attempt in legacy code	1	5	Backend	Parameterized queries + WAF rules
3	Data leak via misconfigured logs	2	4	Security	Redact PII in logs, access control
4	OAuth provider downtime	3	3	Auth Team	Alternative login methods (email)
5	Blockchain hardhat node failure	1	4	Blockchain Team	Automated backup and local fallback

## Appendix D

# Code Repository Structure

```
ft_transcendence/
-- auth-service/                      # Authentication & sessions
-- user-service/                      # Profiles, friends, GDPR
-- game-service/                      # Pong gameplay, WebSocket
-- tournament-service/                # Tournament & blockchain
-- frontend/                          # Web SPA (TypeScript + Vite)
-- cli-client/                        # Terminal-based client
-- blockchain/                        # Smart contracts (Hardhat)
-- docker-compose.yml                 # Orchestration
-- nginx/                            # Reverse proxy + WAF
-- prometheus/                        # Metrics collection
-- grafana/                           # Dashboards
-- elasticsearch/                   # Log storage
-- kibana/                            # Log visualization
-- vault/                             # Secrets management
-- tester/                            # Automated test suite
-- documentation/
    -- project-report/
        -- project_report.tex
        -- project_report.pdf
        -- gantt.png
        -- risk_register.csv
-- makefile                           # Build automation
-- README.md
```

## Appendix E

# Deployment & Operations

### E.1 Quick Start

```
cd /home/honguyen/ft_transcendence  
make full-start      # Build and start all services  
# Services available at https://localhost
```

### E.2 Service URLs

- **Frontend SPA:** https://localhost/
- **Grafana:** https://localhost:3000 (admin/admin)
- **Kibana:** https://localhost:5601
- **Prometheus:** https://localhost:9090
- **Vault:** https://localhost:8200

### E.3 Stopping Services

```
make full-stop      # Stop all containers  
make full-clean    # Remove containers and volumes
```

## Appendix F

# Glossary

**Blockchain** Distributed ledger (Hardhat) for immutable tournament records

**GDPR** EU data protection regulation with user rights

**Leaderboard** Ranked list of players sorted by wins/win rate

**Microservices** Independent services with own databases

**OAuth** Federated identity protocol (42 School SSO)

**Real-time Sync** WebSocket state synchronization (50 ms intervals)

**Server-Authoritative** Game logic on server; clients send input only

**SPA** Single-Page Application; loaded once, updated via JavaScript

**TOTP** Time-based One-Time Password (2FA)

**WAF** Web Application Firewall (ModSecurity)

**WebSocket** Full-duplex communication protocol

## Appendix G

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