Python Game Hub Presentation

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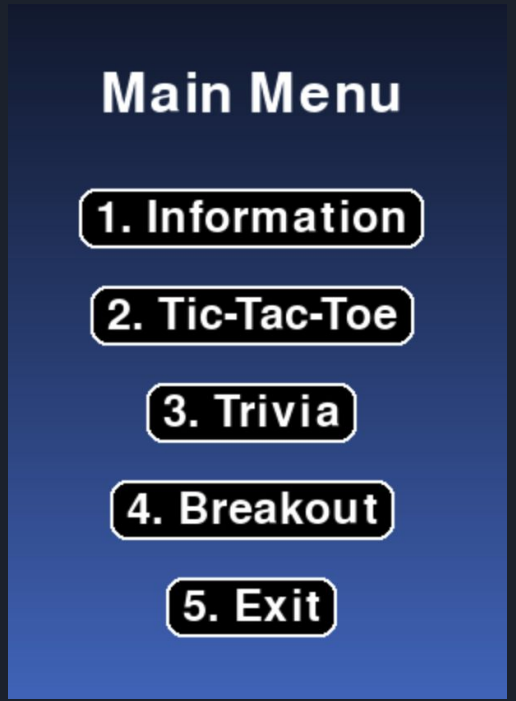
Introduction

Welcome to the Python Game Hub – a multi-game application built in Python using Pygame

Centralized interface featuring:

- Tic-Tac-Toe (with AI)
- Trivia (with timed responses)
- Breakout (arcade-style)
- Focused on modular design, replayability, and user-friendly navigation
- Developed through collaboration, GitHub version control, and iterative planning



Process Overview

For our Python Game Hub, we built a multi-game application using Python and Pygame, featuring Tic Tac Toe, Trivia, and Breakout, all connected through a central Main Menu.
We used modular coding, GitHub for version control, and GitHub Actions for automated testing.

Our main tools were Python 3.9+, PyCharm, VSCode, GitHub, and Excel for manual testing.

Each teammate contributed:

- **James Mutry** developed unit tests for all modules and manual testing.
- **Victoria Lee** handled documentation, UI improvements, GitHub Actions, and debugging support.
- **Todasha Foster** built the Main Menu, worked on Breakout and Trivia improvements.
- **Javon Payne** helped create the Main Menu and developed the Trivia game.
- **Oluwatumininu Ipaye** built the Breakout game with full physics and scoring.
- **Dajin Chung** developed the Tic Tac Toe game, including the AI logic, and assisted debugging for Trivia and Breakout.

Strong collaboration and clear task ownership helped us create a polished, fully tested application.

Project Plans

- Project Plans:
  - Unit 2: Project Plan
    - [Google Drive (Docx) Link]
    - [GitHub (doc) Link]
  - Unit 3: Project Design Plan
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- Other Plans:
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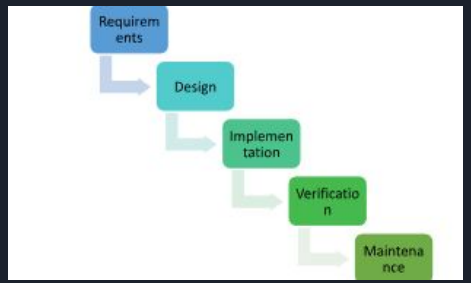


Requirements and System Specification

Functional Requirements

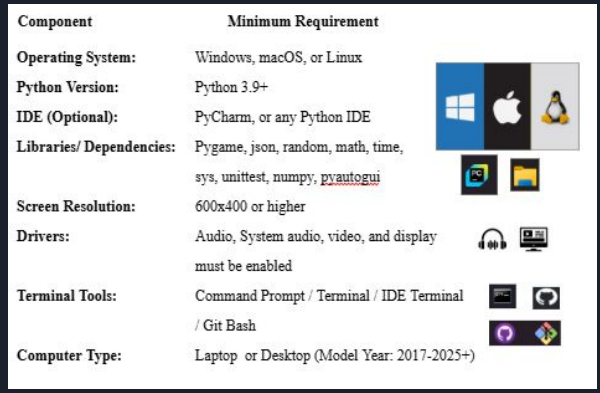
1. Main Menu Navigation:
   Users will be able to easily navigate the main menu and select any game to play.
2. Session Control:
   Users will be able to restart the game, return to the main menu, or exit after each session.
3. Outcome Tracking:
   The system must track and display game outcomes, including winners, losers, ties, scores, and remaining lives.

Non-Functional Requirements

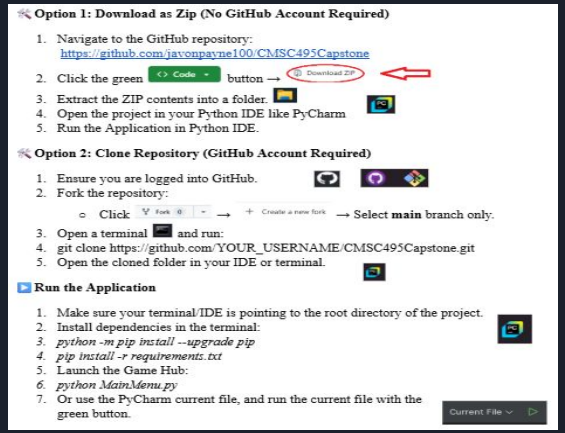
1. Performance:
   Games must load within 3 seconds and run smoothly without noticeable lag.
2. Usability:
   The interface should be intuitive and user-friendly, accessible to users of all ages.
3. Reliability:
   The system must handle all expected inputs and edge cases reliably, with no crashes.

[Functional/Non-Functional Requirements Link Here]

- **User Guide:** [Google Drive (Docx) Link] [GitHub (doc) Link]
- **Unit 6:** [Google Drive (Docx) Link] [GitHub (doc) Link]
- Note: Please, Refer to User Guide / Unit 6 to help set up System Requirements and System! (Images to the Right!)



Component	Minimum Requirement
Operating System:	Windows, macOS, or Linux
Python Version:	Python 3.9+
IDE (Optional):	PyCharm, or any Python IDE
Libraries/ Dependencies:	Pygame, json, random, math, time, sys, unittest, numpy, pyautogui
Screen Resolution:	600x400 or higher
Drivers:	Audio, System audio, video, and display must be enabled
Terminal Tools:	Command Prompt / Terminal / IDE Terminal / Git Bash
Computer Type:	Laptop or Desktop (Model Year: 2017-2025+)



Option 1: Download as Zip (No GitHub Account Required)

1. Navigate to the GitHub repository:
   https://github.com/javonpayne100/CMSC495Capstone
2. Click the green <> Code button → Download ZIP
3. Extract the ZIP contents into a folder.
4. Open the project in your Python IDE like PyCharm
5. Run the Application in Python IDE.

Option 2: Clone Repository (GitHub Account Required)

1. Ensure you are logged into GitHub.
2. Fork the repository:
   - Click Fork → Create a new fork → Select **main** branch only.
3. Open a terminal and run:
4. git clone https://github.com/YOUR_USERNAME/CMSC495Capstone.git
5. Open the cloned folder in your IDE or terminal.

Run the Application

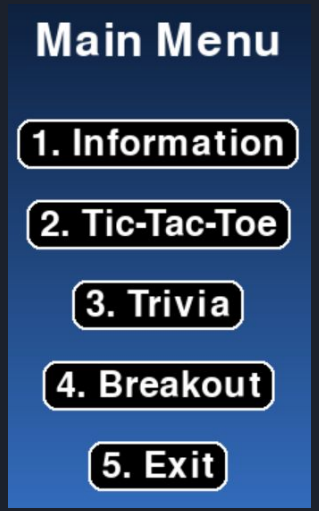
1. Make sure your terminal/IDE is pointing to the root directory of the project.
2. Install dependencies in the terminal:
3. *python -m pip install --upgrade pip*
4. *pip install -r requirements.txt*
5. Launch the Game Hub:
6. *python MainMenu.py*
7. Or use the PyCharm current file, and run the current file with the green button.

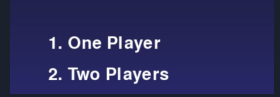
Current File

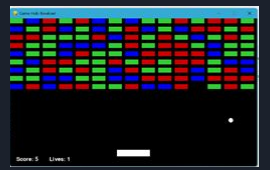
Project Design and User Guide

The Python Game Hub utilizes the Pygame library and is a desktop-based application.

- It features three simple games and an information:
  - Tic-Tac-Toe, Trivia, and Breakout (offline)
  - Information (online, readme.md on GitHub Repo.)
- The major idea behind the project is its design that requires no installation or account setup, allowing it to be used in shared spaces such as schools and libraries.
- We aimed for a diverse audience during the project development.
- The low maintenance design allows for bug fixes and error checking without interrupting the user experience.
- The link below is the user guide for further information:
  - [User Guide CMSC 495 Capstone Link Here]







Project Evaluation, Test Plan, and Results:

Finalized manual and automated test plans (includes GitHub Actions),
we were able to identify and fix all major issues before deployment and passed the tests.

- **Unit 4: Phase 1 Source Report Plan**
- **Tests:** 13 unit tests (old test.py, main branch) – no GitHub Actions.
- **Overview:** Covers early development and core game implementations (Mainmenu, TicTacToe, Breakout, Trivia).
  - [Google Drive (Docx) Link]
  - [GitHub (doc) Link]
- **Unit 5: Testing Plan**
- **Tests:** 20 manual test cases (Excel), 24 unit tests (new test.py, James branch), 6 GitHub Actions.
- **Overview:** Full validation of features and behavior, including Trivia.py and Questions.json accuracy.
  - [Google Drive (Docx) Link]
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- **Unit 6: Phase 2 Source Report Plan**
- **Tests:** Same as Unit 5, plus 2 GitHub Actions to verify all core files exist for deployment.
- **Overview:** Final features, bug fixes, test reruns, and full documentation (README, comments).
  - [Google Drive (Docx) Link]
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- **Unit 7: User Guide**
- **Overview:** End-user instructions for setup and gameplay. Includes game rules, navigation, and GitHub links.
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- **Unit 8: Deployment Report**
- **Overview:** Final packaging of all files, documentation, and submission materials. Includes peer review prep.
- **Presentation:** Google Slides video/ppt summarizing all phases and key outcomes.
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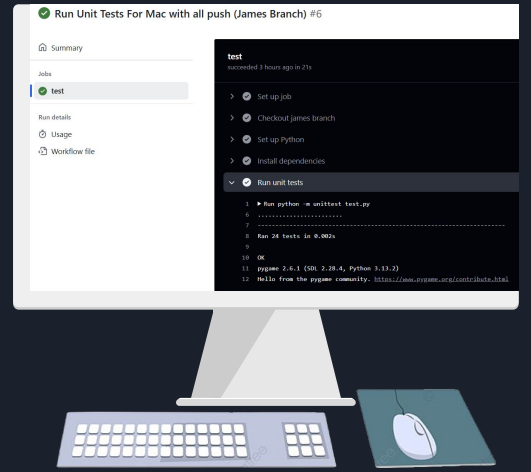
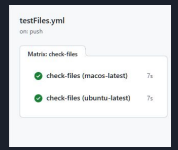
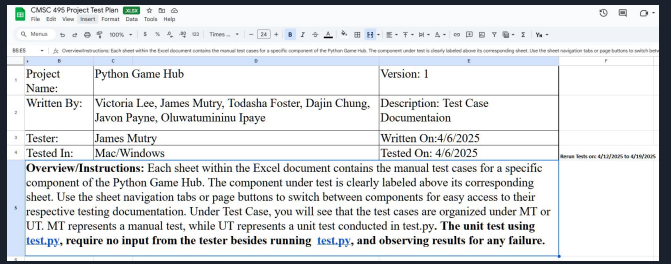






Design and Alternate Designs:

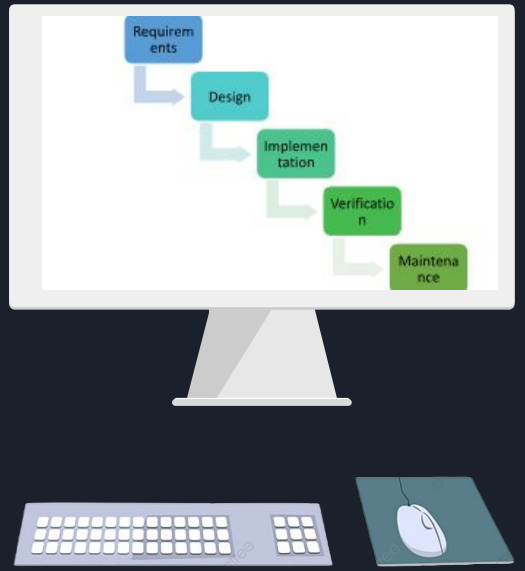
Our Python Game Hub followed a modular, object-oriented design using the Waterfall model.

Phase 1 established the core architecture—Main Menu, Tic-Tac-Toe, Trivia, and Breakout—along with early unit tests and GitHub version control.

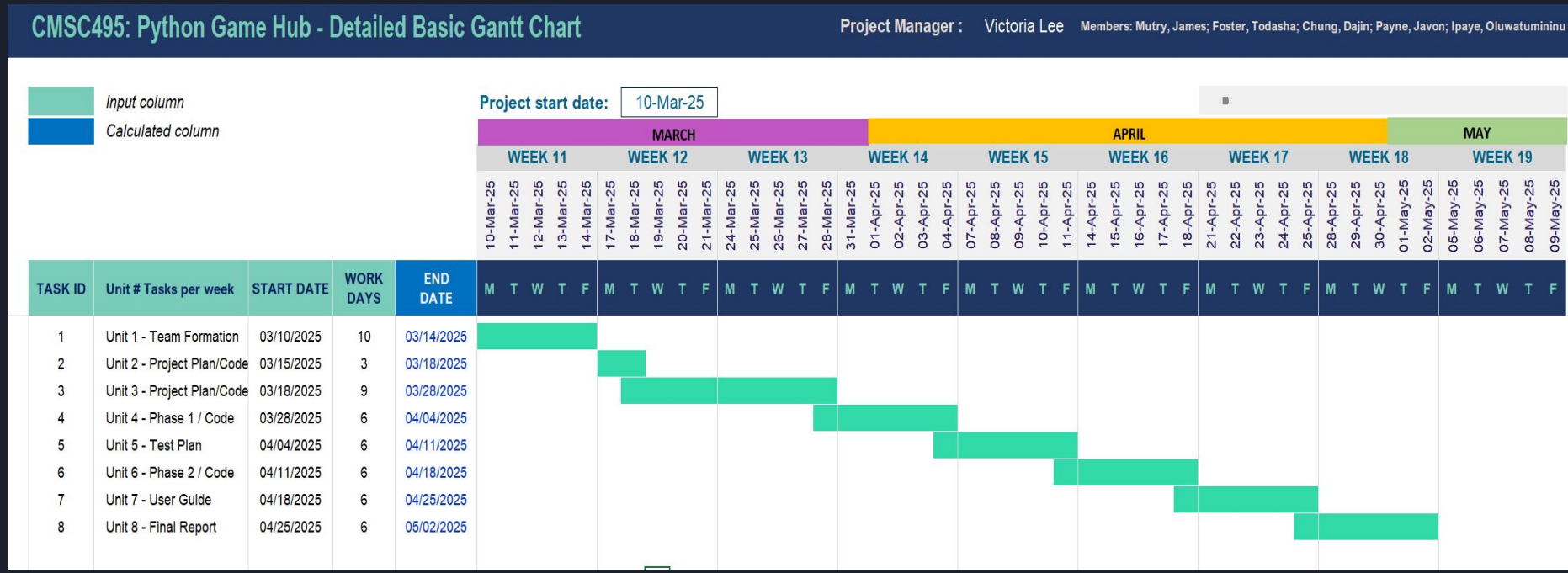
Phase 2 finalized the application with 24+ unit tests, GitHub Actions CI/CD, full manual testing, and optimized gameplay and UI.

All features were validated for performance, usability, and reliability.

Phase 1 Report
Phase 2 Report



Project timeline Image 1



Development History (Project Timeline) and Deployment:

Timeline for Project:

1	Unit 1 - Team Formation	03/10/2025	10	03/14/2025
2	Unit 2 - Project Plan/Code	03/15/2025	3	03/18/2025
3	Unit 3 - Project Plan/Code	03/18/2025	9	03/28/2025
4	Unit 4 - Phase 1 / Code	03/28/2025	6	04/04/2025
5	Unit 5 - Test Plan	04/04/2025	6	04/11/2025
6	Unit 6 - Phase 2 / Code	04/11/2025	6	04/18/2025
7	Unit 7 - User Guide	04/18/2025	6	04/25/2025
8	Unit 8 - Final Report	04/25/2025	6	05/02/2025

⚠️**Python Game Hub must be Publicly Accessed on GitHub:**

- **GitHub Repository:**
- [CMSC495Capstone-Python Game Hub]
  - Read the README.md OR User Guide

Project Timeline (based on updates[Phases 1 & 2]):

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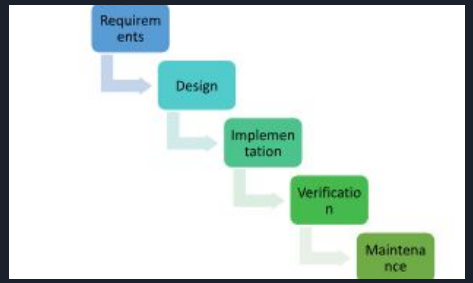
Project timeline Expansion Explanation

Refer to Unit 4, Unit 6, and Unit 8 to compare the project timelines, job contributions, Git (Version Control), Testing, and Changes to the Project Management sections.



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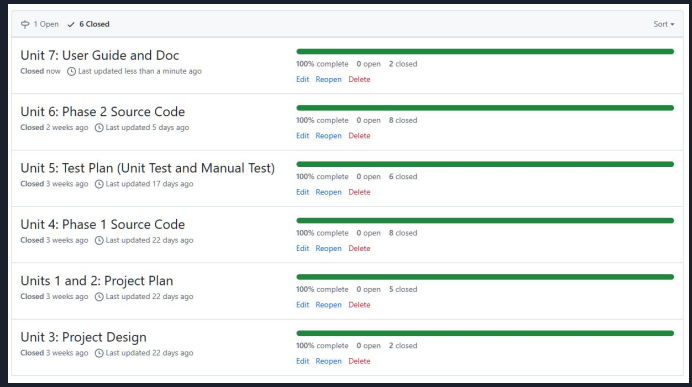


It is crucial to view the APPENDIX sections:

- The testing and Git version control processes are further detailed in APPENDIX D and APPENDIX E. The Milestones and Gantt chart updates with the Contribution Report are in APPENDIX A, APPENDIX B, and APPENDIX E.
- A shows the overall timeline due dates and how our progress compares with units 1-8. B shows the breakdown of each task/milestones completed and costs.
- APPENDIX C is referring to the delays and emergencies so far to push back the code.
- APPENDIX E shows the breakdown of the Git issues/milestones completed for that week (screenshots).

Discussion

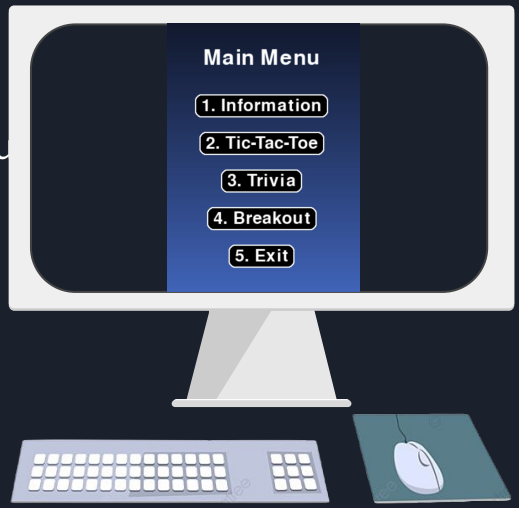
Throughout this project, we learned the value of strong modular design, clear documentation, and regular testing. One of our strengths was creating a smooth and unified player experience across different games.

However, some limitations included challenges with cross-platform testing and limited mobile compatibility.

For the future, we suggest adding database support, expanding automated testing, and improving UI responsiveness. Overall, this project taught us that solid planning, communication, and teamwork are essential to delivering a polished and maintainable software product.

Conclusion

- Successfully delivered a modular Python game hub with three mini-games
- Followed the SDLC Waterfall Model across eight project units
- Combined automated and manual testing to ensure a bug-free deployment
- Used GitHub for version control and implemented CI/CD via GitHub Actions
- Learned collaboration, version control, task ownership, and technical writing
- Ready for public GitHub release and future scalability



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