



# CMPT 276 Project Presentation **TEAM 13**

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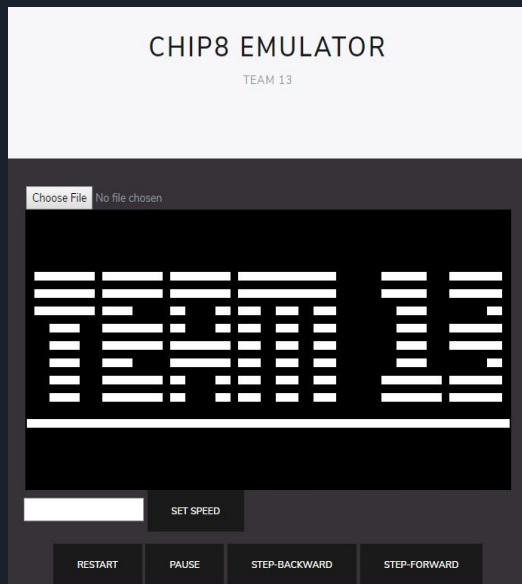


# Introduction

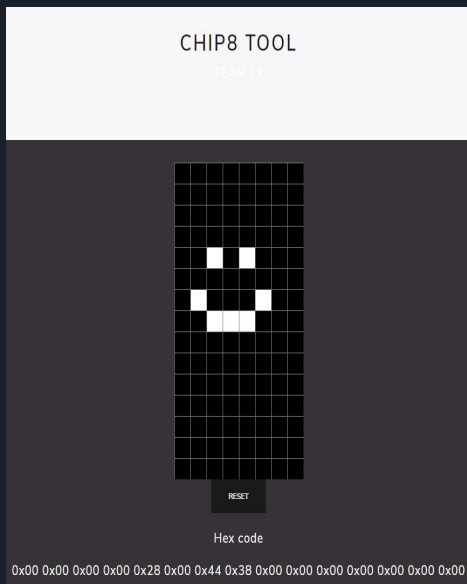
- Create a Chip8 emulator and visualizer that runs Chip8 programs on a modern web browser
- Create a software tool that's useful for Chip8 developers
- Create at two Chip8 video games

# What did we finish?

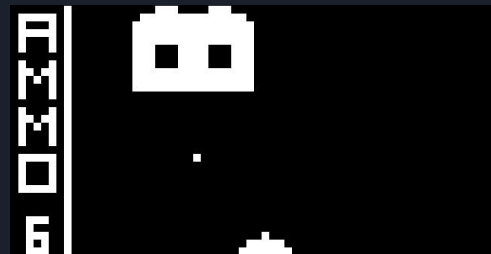
## Chip8 interpreter



## Chip8 Sprite Editor



## Two Chip8 games

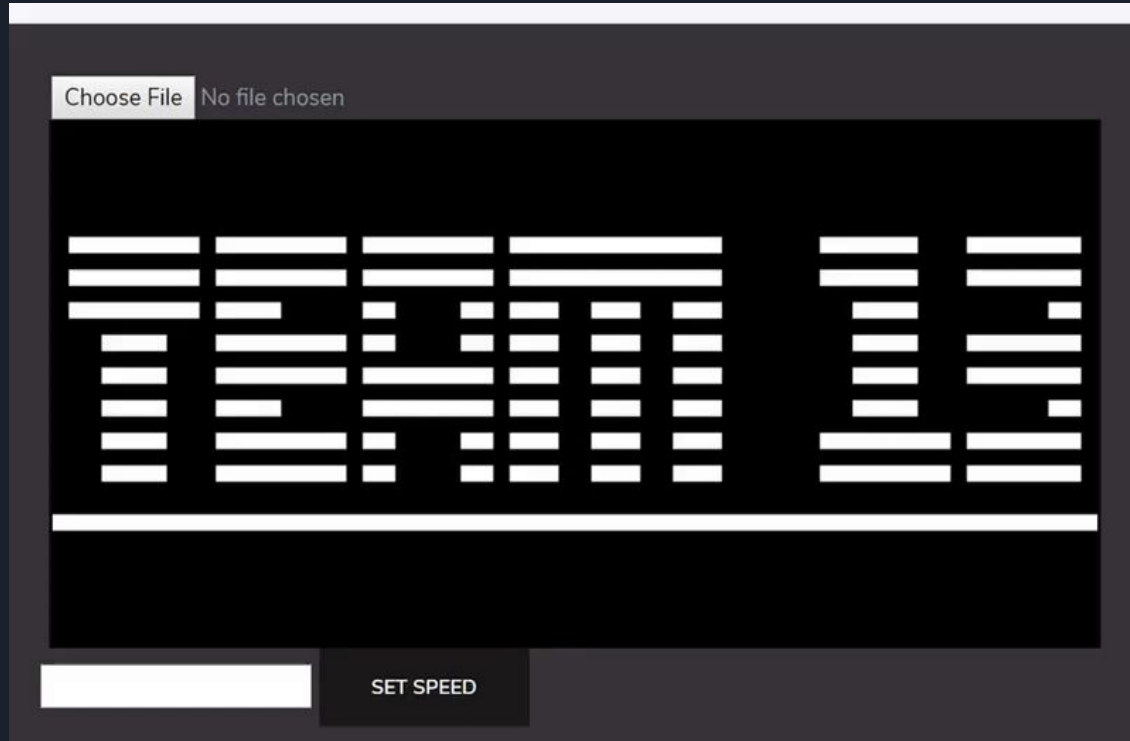




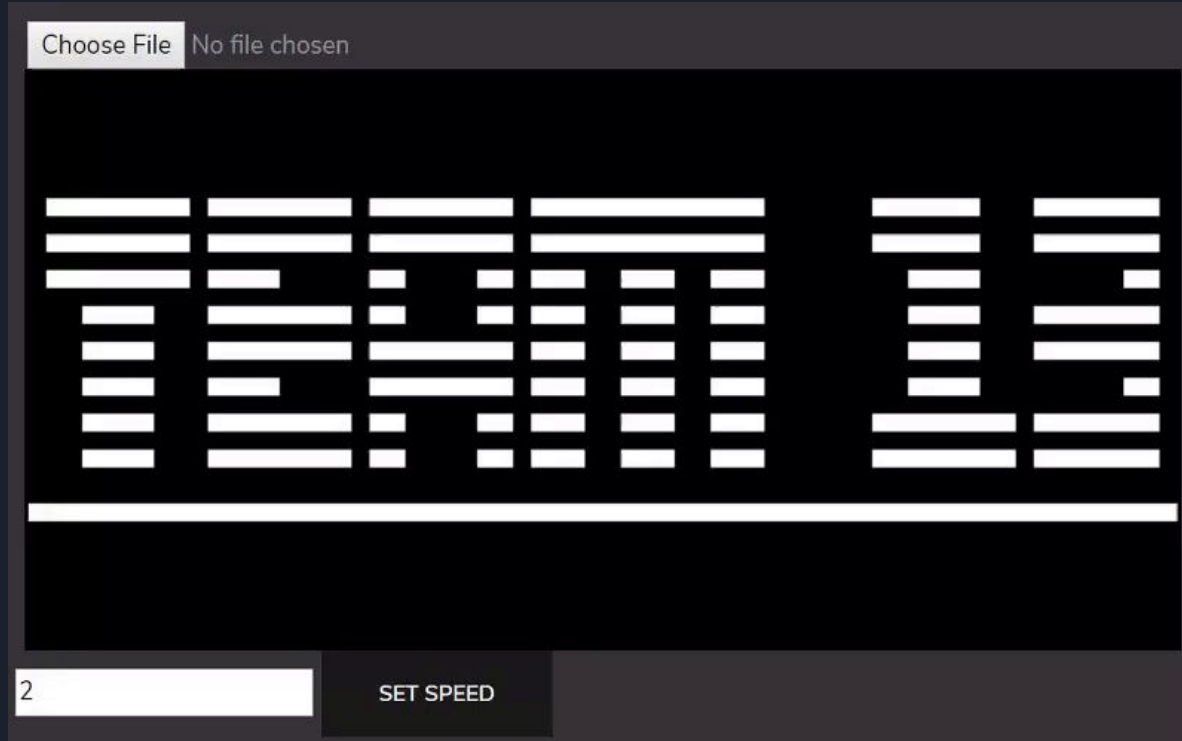
# Emulator and Visualizer

- Project runs any Chip8 program on a modern web browser
- Displays Chip8 program information to the user
- Has various ways to manipulate the state of the program
- Developer/Educational Use

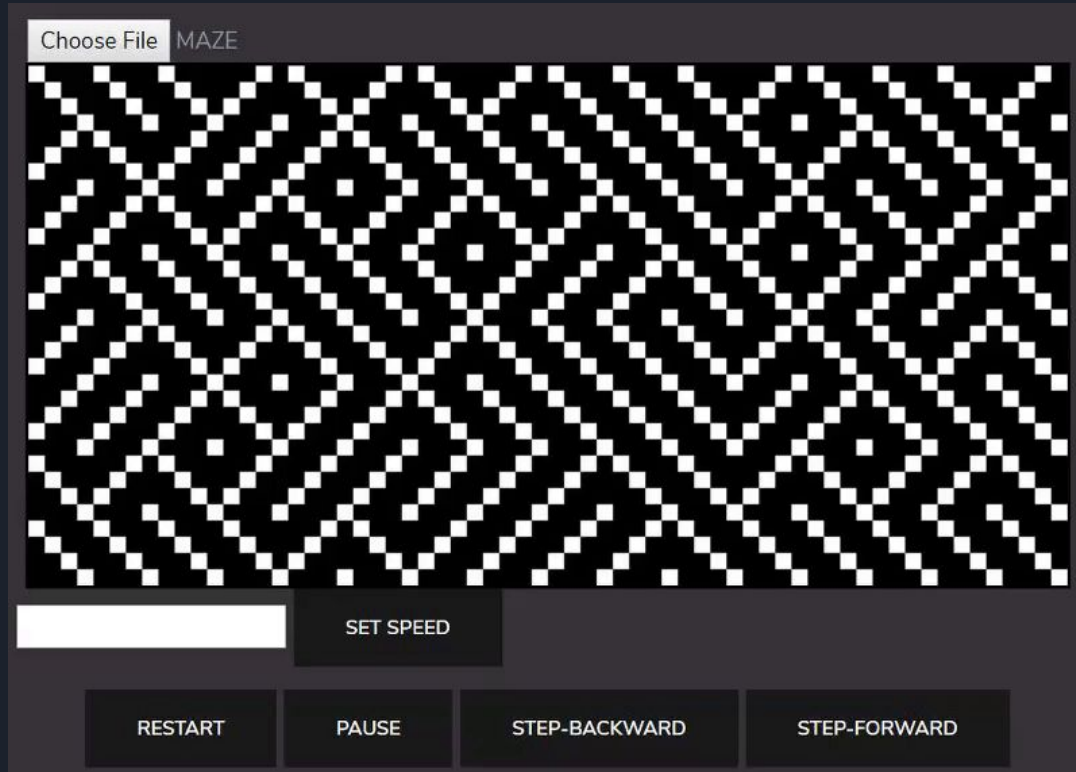
# Emulator Features - Loading roms



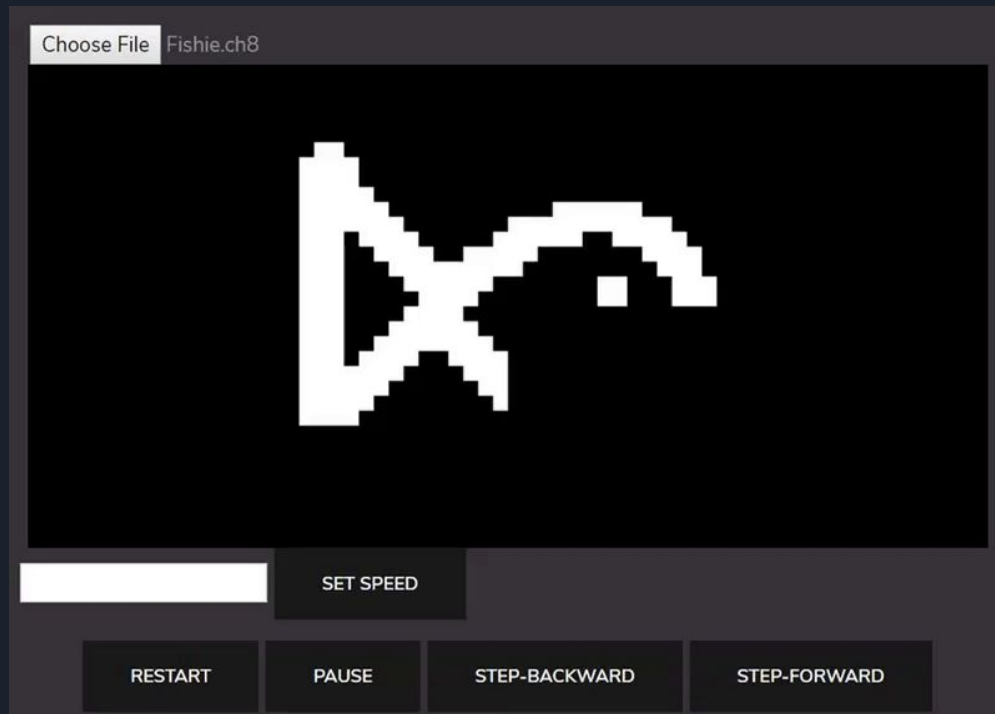
# Emulator Features - Settings speed



# Emulator Features - Restart/Pause



# Emulator Features - Step-Forward/Back







# Emulator Features - CPU details

V0: 7A

V1: 0

V2: 0

V3: 0

V4: 0

V5: 0

V6: 0

V7: 0

V8: 0

V9: 0

VA: 2A

VB: A

VC: 0

VD: 0

VE: 0

VF: 0

DELAY TIMER: 0

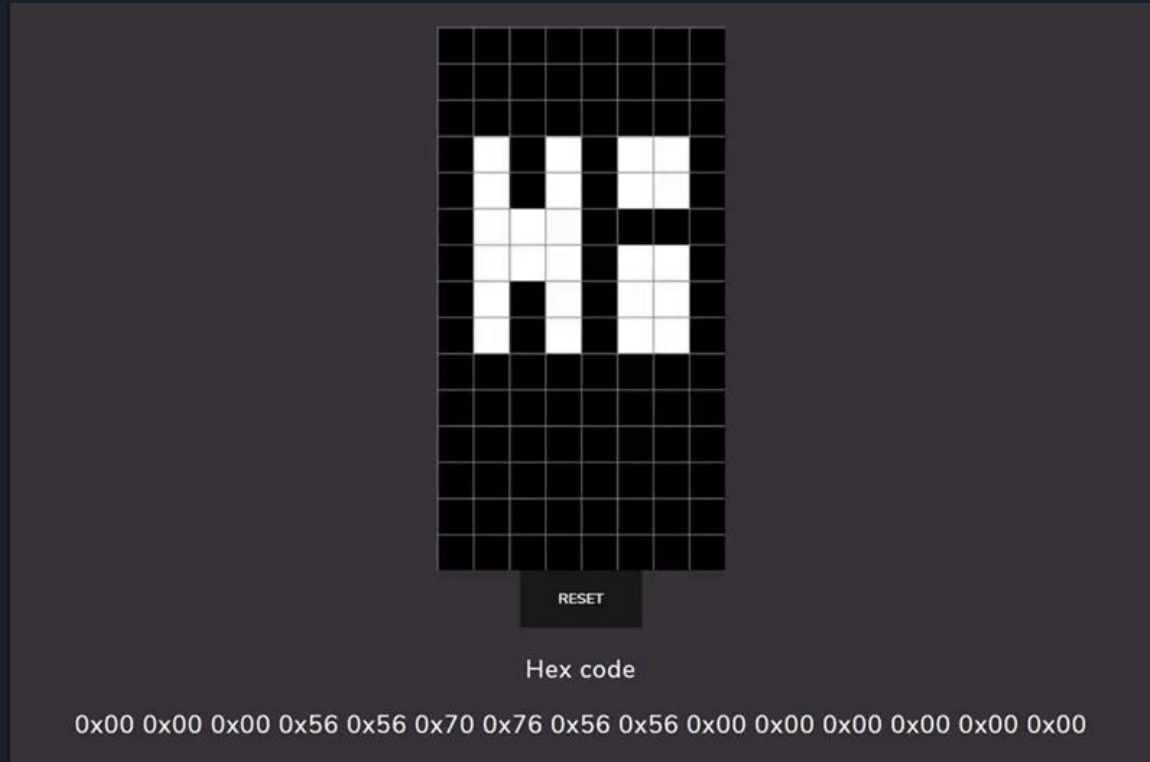
SOUND TIMER:  
0

REGISTER I:  
023B

PROGRAM  
COUNTER: 039C



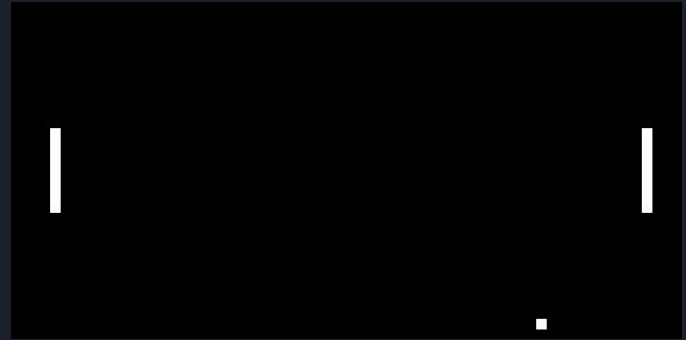
# Tool Features - Draw, Reset, Use





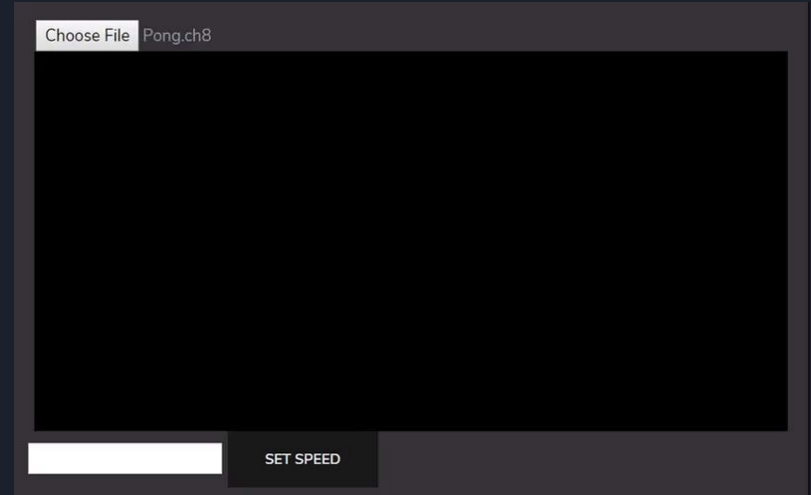
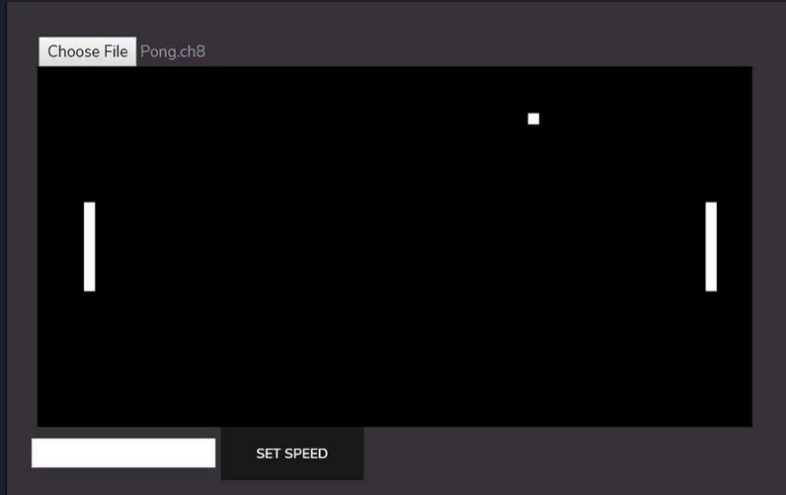
# Pong | Game 1

- We re-created the famous game in Chip8
- The game is a first-to-five win condition
- 2 player game



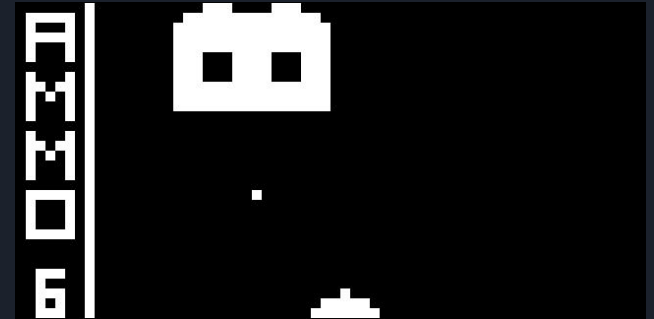


# Pong Gameplay

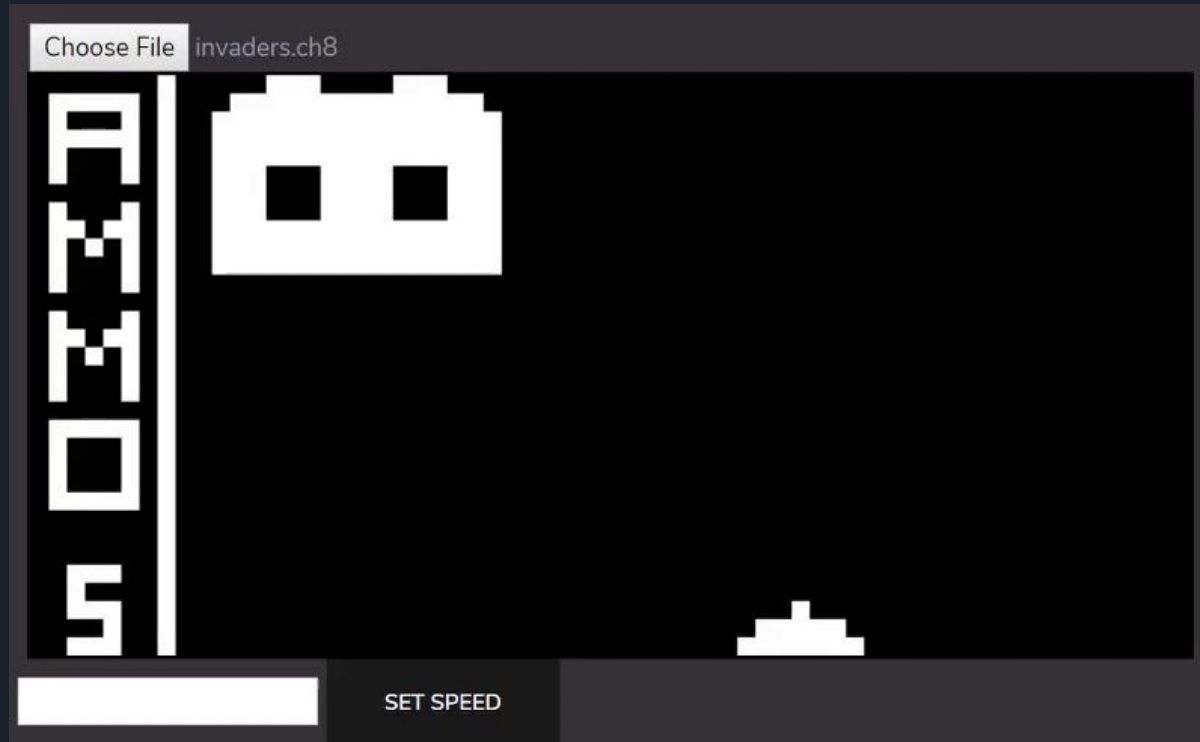


# Space Invaders | Game 2

- We re-created Space Invaders with a new twist on the gameplay
- Team originally wanted to create Breakout but didn't due to difficulty



# Space Invaders Gameplay





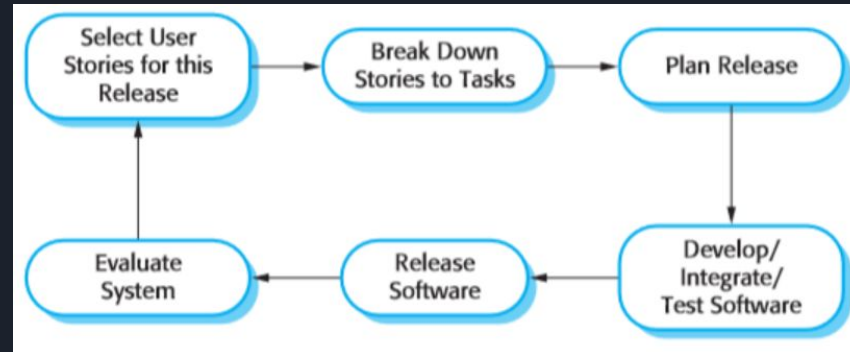
# Did we meet our project goals?

- We managed to create a Chip8 interpreter that runs on JavaScript
- Chip8 Tool that allows users to create sprites
- Two Chip8 games
- Implementation could be optimized more



# Software Methodology/Techniques

- Used Agile Development/Extreme Programming
- Peer programming was heavily used
- Simple Design with Refactoring
- Continuous Integration/communication

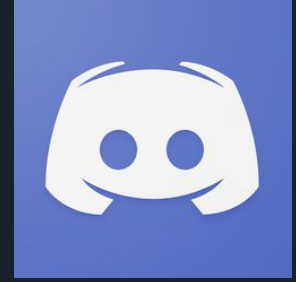




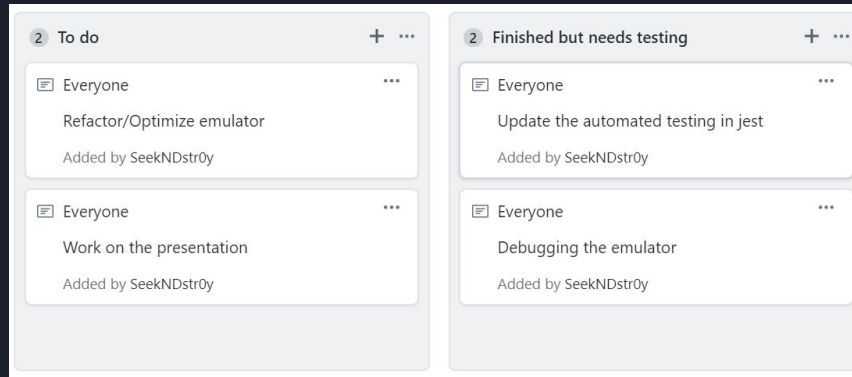
# Peer Programming Importance

- The group struggled to code the emulator in the beginning
- Scheduling extra meetings to program together helped
- Allowed the group to understand each others skill sets

# Managing the Project/Group



- Discord was used for general communication
- Github was as our private repository
- Github's project tab also acted as a Kanban Board for tasks
- Weekly meetings in CSIL on Mondays

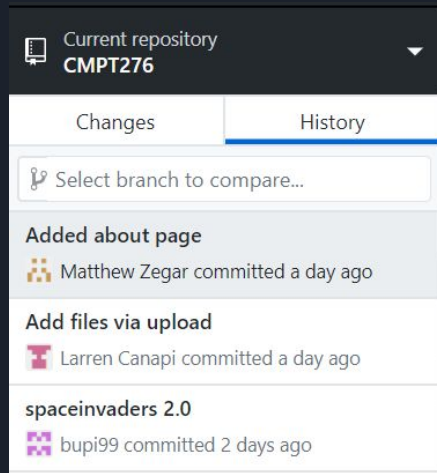


# What tools did we try?

- The Octo Assembler for easy to write Chip8 programs
- Sublime Merge was difficult to use, Github Desktop preferred
- Lodash for the step-backwards functionality



```
275 loop
276 # Start Drawing player
277 i := player
278 if playermf == 0 begin
279     if playerx != 8 begin
280         sprite playerx playery 3
281         playerx += -1
282         sprite playerx playery 3
283     else
284         playermf := 1
```





# Quality Assurance and Testing

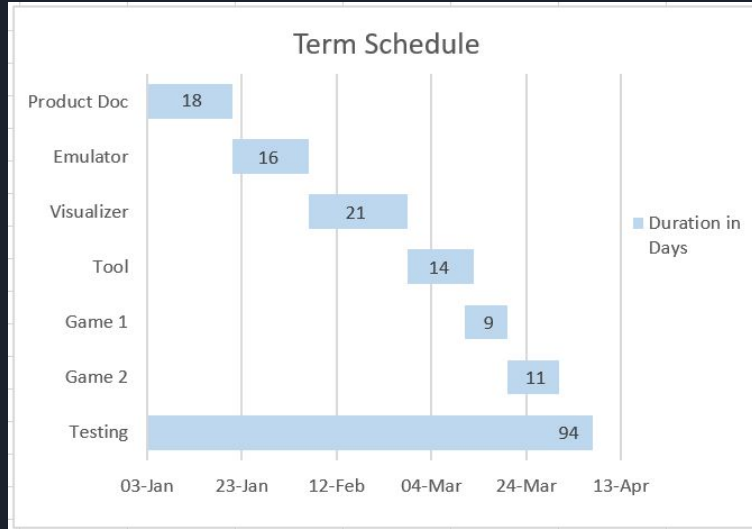
- We used Jest for our automated testing
- Mainly tested the opcodes in Chip8
- Unit/System Testing done throughout the term

```
> jest
PASS ./chip8CPU.test.js (77.233s)
  ✓ Clear the screen (5ms)
  ✓ Clear the screen (1ms)
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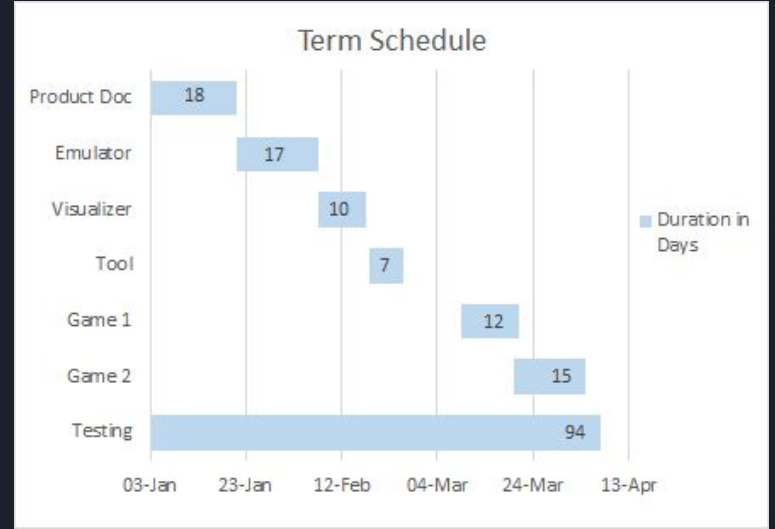
```
Test Suites: 1 passed, 1 total
Tests:       34 passed, 34 total
Snapshots:   0 total
Time:        78.396s
Ran all test suites.
```

# Expected Schedule vs. Actual Schedule

## Release 0



## Release 4



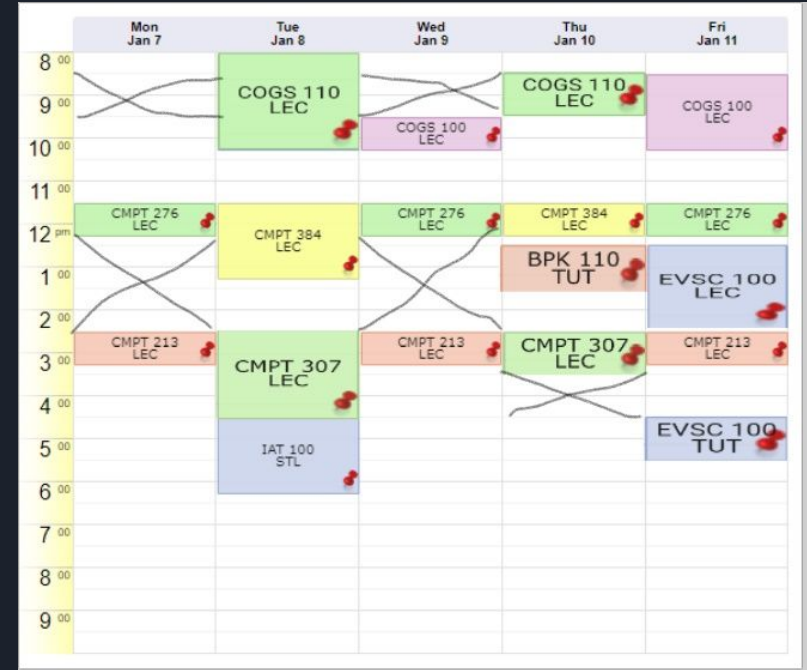


# Where things went well

- Constant meetings every single week was helpful
- Our expected timeline was a good basis for planning
- Group coding sessions
- Good communication/cooperation within the group

# Where things went wrong

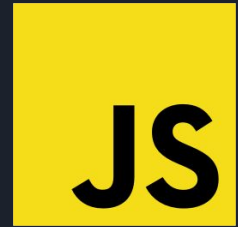
- Some poor task delegation lead to delays
- Group members being busy with other classes







# What we learned



- Technical aspects like emulation, Javascript, Git
- Software engineering tactics like
  - Agile Development
  - Management/Communication
  - Various testing techniques



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# Advice to future CMPT 276 Students

- Schedule meetings where the group codes together
- Expect the time it takes to complete tasks to change rapidly
- Communicate and understand each group members strengths/weaknesses



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