Project Timeline

This timeline will cover the planning aspect of all tasks within the CHECKER branch. Each member is expected to contribute 3×45 minutes per week.

Planning and Design

- Create planning documents for CHECKER branch
 - Create an outline and rough dates for when tasks are estimated to be finished.
 - o Deadline: March 6, 2025
- Design use case diagrams
 - Create draft then create final of the use case diagrams.
 - o Deadline: March 6, 2025
- Design class structure diagrams
 - Create a general class structure diagram for classes in CHECKER.
 - o Deadline: March 7, 2025
- Create use case descriptions document
 - Identify and provide details to different use cases.
 - Deadline: March 7, 2025
- Review and submit documents for iteration 1
 - Team review, spell checking, format checking, proofread, then submit to D2L dropbox.
 - o Deadline: March 7, 2025

Milestones

• **Team 4: Iteration 1:** March 7, 2025

Development and Implementation

• **Objective:** Develop and implement a playable and interactive Checkers game based on the famous board game.

- **Duration:** March 8, 2025 April 10, 2025 (Post-Iteration 1 to Iteration 3 deadline)
- Key Features:
 - Two players take turns moving pieces
 - 8x8 game board to accurately simulate board game
 - Regular pieces move diagonally in one direction, kings can move diagonally in both directions
 - Pieces "jump" over opponents to capture them
 - Integrate with GUI and other systems of the app.

The Development and Implementation will be divided into phases: Setup, Core Development, Integration, Testing, and Review. Tasks are assigned to balance workload among all team members.

Phase 1: Setup

- **Duration:** March 8, 2025 March 11, 2025
- Goal: Establish rough skeleton code and finalize design for CHECKER

Task List:

- Git Repository Setup
 - Start Date: March 8, 2025
 - End Date: March 8, 2025
 - Estimated Time: 1 hour
- Finalize class structure design
 - Start Date: March 9, 2025
 - End Date: March 10, 2025
 - Estimated Time: 3 hours
- Plan GUI for CHECKER
 - Start Date: March 10, 2025
 - **End Date:** March 11, 2025
 - Estimated Time: 3 hours

Milestones:

• Setup complete: March 12, 2025

Phase 2: Core Development

• **Duration:** March 12, 2025 - March 23, 2025

Goal: Implement core gameplay mechanics of CHECKER

Task List:

Implement game board to accurately simulate board game

Start Date: March 12, 2025

End Date: March 15, 2025

Estimated Time: 5 hours

Implement core gameplay mechanics (moving pieces), piece -> king, etc

Start Date: March 16, 2025

End Date: March 19, 2025

Estimated Time: 9 hours

Implement win/loss logic

Start Date: March 20, 2025

End Date: March 22, 2025

• Estimated Time: 3 hours

• Flexible timeline to figure out any remaining issues / catch up on incomplete tasks

Start Date: March 22, 2025

• **End Date:** March 23, 2025

• Estimated Time: To be further discussed with team members

Milestones:

Core Development Complete: March 23, 2025

Phase 3: Integration

• **Duration:** March 24, 2025 - April 1 2025

Goal: Integrate the Checkers game with main GUI

Task List:

Integrate Checkers game with GameWindows

Start Date: March 24, 2025

• **End Date:** March 26, 2025

• Estimated Time: 3 hours

Verification of UI integration

Start Date: March 27, 2025

End Date: March 28, 2025

Estimated Time: 3 hours

Final touches (bug fixes, improvements, refinements, etc)

Start Date: March 29, 2025

End Date: March 30, 2025

Estimated Time: 3 hours

 Flexible timeline to figure out any remaining issues / catch up on incomplete tasks

Start Date: March 31, 2025

• **End Date:** April 1, 2025

• Estimated Time: To be further discussed with team members

Milestones:

GUI Integration Complete: April 1, 2025

Phase 4: Testing

• **Duration:** April 2, 2025 - April 6, 2025

Goal: Thorough testing of Checkers gameplay logic & GUI integration

Task List:

Create unit tests for CheckersBoard

Start Date: April 2, 2025

• **End Date:** April 3, 2025

• Estimated Time: 4 hours

Create unit tests for CheckersGame

• Start Date: April 4, 2025

• **End Date:** April 5, 2025

• Estimated Time: 4 hours

GUI integration tests

• Start Date: April 5, 2025

• **End Date:** April 6, 2025

• Estimated Time: 3 hours

Milestones:

• Unit Testing Complete: April 7, 2025

Phase 5: Review

• **Duration:** April 8, 2025 - April 11, 2025

• **Goal:** Finalize all code, fixes, and prepare for final submission

Task List:

Full Code Review

• Start Date: April 8, 2025

• **End Date:** April 9, 2025

Estimated Time: 5 hours

Documentation Update + Final Checks

Start Date: April 9, 2025

• End Date: April 10, 2025

Estimated Time: 3 hours

Record Video Demonstration for Submission

• **Start Date:** April 10, 2025

End Date: April 11, 2025

Estimated Time: 3 hours

Submission!

o Start Date: April 11, 2025

Milestones:

Review and Submission: April 11, 2025

Final Notes

Weekly meetings and frequent communication will be best. This timeline is flexible because things change over time, but we will aim to stick to this.