

# Heads Up Poker

## Software Engineering Final Project

Surya Malik, Conor McDevitt, James Bouchat, Nathan Fritz

```
src/
├── main.py
├── models/
│   └── ml_cpu_model.pkl
├── game_engine/
│   ├── engine.py
│   ├── cpu/
│   │   ├── mlCPU.py
│   │   ├── potOddsCPU.py
│   │   ├── expectedValueCPU.py
│   │   ├── equityCPU.py
│   │   └── baselineCPU.py
│   ├── hand_evaluator.py
│   ├── dealer.py
│   ├── betting_manager.py
│   ├── player.py
│   ├── game_evaluator.py
│   ├── table.py
│   ├── card.py
│   ├── pot.py
│   ├── deck.py
│   └── constants.py
└── gui/
    ├── button.py
    ├── util.py
    ├── spritetext.py
    ├── gui_card.py
    ├── slider.py
    ├── numtext.py
    └── chip.py
```

# Core Game Engine

- **Core Game Engine**

- Python-based poker implementation
- Supports Texas Hold'em rules
- Multiple CPU difficulty levels
- Hand evaluation and game state management



# GUI Implementation

- **GUI Implementation**
  - Pygame-based interface
  - Visual card and chip representations
  - Interactive betting controls
  - Real-time game state updates

# Code Overview

- **Game Engine Components**

- **Engine**: Core game logic and state management
- **Dealer**: Handles card dealing and round progression
- **BettingManager**: Handles betting logic
- **Player**: Base player class with action handling
- **GameEvaluator**: Handles game evaluation and winner determination
- **HandEvaluator**: Handles hand evaluation

# Code Overview Continued

- **Game Engine Components**

- **CPU**: Multiple AI implementations (Baseline, Equity, Pot Odds, ML)
- **Deck**: Handles card deck management
- **Pot**: Handles pot management
- **Table**: Handles table management
- **Card**: Handles card management

# GUI Implementation

- **GUI Components**

- **Button**: Interactive UI elements
- **GUI\_Card**: Visual card representation
- **Chip**: Visual chip stack representation
- **Slider**: Betting amount control
- **NumText**: Number display
- **SpriteText**: Text rendering
- **Util**: Utility functions

# GUI Sprite Sheet and Board





# Live Demo

- **Game Flow**

1. Start new game
2. Place blinds
3. Deal cards
4. Betting rounds
5. Showdown
6. Winner determination

- **Key Features**

- Different CPU difficulties
- Betting mechanics
- Hand evaluation
- Visual feedback

# Known Bugs and Misimplementation

- **Bugs**

- CPU turn not fully updating
- Spam click button causes crash
- Changing difficulty does not start a new game

- **Misimplementation**

- Bet percentage in relation to user hands versus game pot
- Doesn't clearly show big or large blind
- Can spam click a action button to crash the game

# Work Division

- **GUI** (James/Nathan)
  - GUI sprites
  - Main game loop
  - Components (buttons, stack, slider)
  - Implementing game logic from engine
  - Testing GUI

# Work Division

- **Engine** (Conor/Surya)
  - Game engine core implementation
  - CPU AI development
  - Testing (Pytest)

# Shared Responsibilities

- **Shared Responsibilities**
  - Code review
  - Documentation
  - Bug fixing
  - Testing
  - Communicating

# Git Usage

- **Branch Strategy**

- `main`: Production-ready code
- Feature branches for new implementations

- **Commit Practices**

- Small, frequent commits
- Update documentation/tests with new features
- Regular pushes
- Pull request reviews

# Collaboration

- **Collaboration**

- Code review process
- Feature discussions

- **Tools**

- Trello: Task Organization
  - Dropped Eventually
- Slack: Team Communication



# What Worked Well

- **Technical Successes**

- Clean architecture separation
  - Good separation between engine and GUI
  - Modular CPU implementations
- Interactive GUI

- **Process Successes**

- Regular communication
- Clear task division
- Comprehensive testing

# Challenges Faced

- **Technical Challenges**

- ML CPU training stability
- GUI performance optimization
- Engine code more complex then it needed to be for 1v1
  - Making code more scalable cost time
- Edge case handling

# Challenges Faced Continued

- **Process Challenges**

- Documentation maintenance
- Feature prioritization
- Sprint #1: should start making features (even if small)
- Unclear task separation

# Lessons Learned

- **Technical Improvements**
  - Better error handling
  - More comprehensive testing
  - Performance optimization
  - Test's could be more "DRY"

# Lessons Learned Continued

- **Process Improvements**

- More frequent reviews
- Better task estimation
- Enhanced communication
- Followed Linter
  - Fix code duplication
- Learning the rules of poker
  - Not fully understanding the rules lead to having to rewrite some features

# Future Enhancements

- **Technical Features**

- Multiplayer support
- Tournament mode
- Advanced AI strategies
- Visually show hand (highlight cards), when player wins a hand

- **Process Improvements**

- Automated testing
  - e2e testing?
- Performance monitoring

# Questions?

Thank you for your attention!