Assessment 4 Implementation Plan

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Menu Screens

- Replace the single "Play" button with two new ones, for playing in single- and multi-player modes
- Remove the credits screen and replace with a link to the team website (as we did in the last assessment)
- Update the information on the controls screen, with details of the new keyboard control scheme
- Also consider whether to add a direct link to the user manual

States

- Fill out the MultiPlayState class
- Edit (and potentially rename) the PlayState class to be consistent with the new multi-player mode

Airspace

- Remove left-hand sidebar, and move the clock to the top-centre of the screen
- Change the background image to match our own design aesthetic
- Remove instantiation of Controls from the Airspace class and into the game states
- Edit both the SeparationRules and MultiPlayState classes to make collisions non-fatal in multiplayer games

Controls

- Remove the radial menu, which is the FlightMenu class
- Also remove all the mouse control functions in the Controls class
- New util.KeyBindings class, that will contain a HashMap linking game functions (e.g. "turn-left") to keyboard buttons (e.g. Input.KEY_A)
- \bullet Change ${\tt Controls}$ class to allow multiple instances, one for each player in multiplayer
- Each instance will take a KeyBindings object on creation to define the buttons it will handle
- Implement commands for cycling between planes using the keyboard
- Investigate how we can meet/relax the requirement for being able to turn planes to an arbitrary heading

Scores

- Add capability for multiple instances to the ScoreTracking class
- Potentially have the ScoreTracking class render itself
- Add point additions and deductions for multi-player events:
 - Deduct a large number of points from the controllers of both planes involved in a collision
 - Deduct a smaller amount of points for each separation violation
 - Add points for a successful, planned hand-over
 - Deduct points for an unplanned handover

Airports

- \bullet Ensure the ${\tt Airport}$ class can cope with multiple instances
- Add functionality for storing planes, and for automated handover of landing planes
- Airport will also need an owner field
- Actually add a second airport (to both gameplay modes)

Flights

- Add a variable and getter/setter for the flight's owner
- Change drawFlight function to colour-code by owner (in multiplayer) instead of by speed
- \bullet Potentially add fuel, or similar, functionality to force players to land planes