Connect Four

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Introduction

- Connect Four is “The Original Vertical Four-In-A-Row Checkers Game”
- Legend of ancestor Captain Cook who created first version of Connect Four called Captain’s Mistress
- The first popular version of “Connect 4” was introduced in February 1974 by Milton Bradley
- Multiple Versions of Connect Four
  - Four Balls
  - Score Four
  - Mega 4 in a Line

http://www.tradgames.org.uk/games/Four-in-a-row.htm
Goal

Be the first player to connect four counters in a vertical, horizontal, or diagonal line.

https://gamegaming.wordpress.com/2012/06/25/how-to-beat-your-idiot-father-at-connect-four/
How to Play

- Two player game (player 1 & player 2)
- Each player is given a specific color of counter to use throughout the game

1. The first player places one counter into a vertical shoot on the game board.
2. Then the second player will place one of their counters into a vertical shoot of their choice.
3. This repeated pattern continues until one of the players has four counters placed in a horizontal, vertical, or diagonal line.
4. The player with the four connected counters wins the game.
Specific to Matlab

- Uses numbers instead of pieces visually
  - Uses 0 for blank spaces
  - 1 for player 1 tokens
  - 2 for player 2 tokens
- Put the specific rules of connect four into matlab and had the computer run the functions
Demonstration

Matlab game!

Sales Pitch

Why Connect Four?

- Easy to learn and understand, you can start playing instantly
- Play with a friend
- Use problem solving and investigative skills
- Encourages your mind to think about patterns, understand your opponent’s logic, and plan ahead
- No clean up; not the old, boring version of Connect Four
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