Build-Justification for Demeter Card

This document provides a clear and structured justification for how build actions are validated and performed when the active player has the **Demeter card**. It systematically addresses checks, game state updates, responsibilities, design principles, and the interaction between the base game and the Demeter-specific rules.

1. Validation of Build Actions and State Updates

a. Validation Checks

To determine whether a build action is valid, the following checks are performed:

1. General Build Validation:

- The target cell for the build must:
 - Be adjacent to the worker's position.
 - Be unoccupied by another worker or dome.
 - Be within the board's boundaries.
 - Not exceed the maximum tower height (3).
- Validation Logic:

```
public boolean isValidBuildCell(int workerX, int workerY, int buildX,
int buildY) {
   if (!isWithinBounds(buildX, buildY)) return false;
   if (isOccupied(buildX, buildY)) return false;
   if (Math.abs(workerX - buildX) > 1 || Math.abs(workerY - buildY) >
1) return false;
   return true;
}
```

2. Demeter-Specific Validation:

- A second optional build is allowed but must not be on the same space as the first build.
- Validation Logic:

```
if (this.extraBuildUsed && buildX == firstBuildX && buildY ==
firstBuildY) {
    throw new Exception("Second build cannot be on the same space as
the first build.");
}
```

b. State Updates

When a build action is performed, the following updates occur:

1. Board State:

- The height of the tower at the target cell is incremented.
- o For domes, the height is set to 4.

2. Demeter-Specific State:

• A flag extraBuildUsed tracks whether the second build has been performed.

3. Game Phase:

- After the first build, the player can perform an optional second build.
- After the second build or skipping it, the phase transitions to END_TURN.

2. Alignment with Interaction Diagram

The following sequence of actions matches the interaction diagram:

1. Player Action:

• Player requests a build action through the Game.build() method.

2. Validation:

- Game delegates validation to Board.isValidBuildCell() for general rules.
- If the player has the Demeter card, DemeterGodStrategy enforces additional rules.

3. State Update:

- Board.build() updates the tower height at the target cell.
- DemeterGodStrategy tracks the state of the optional second build.

4. Phase Transition:

 If a second build is performed or skipped, the phase transitions using Game.setCurrentPhase().

3. Responsibility Assignment and Justification

a. Board

- **Responsibility**: Validate build positions and update tower heights.
- Justification:
 - The Board encapsulates grid-specific operations, ensuring Single Responsibility Principle (SRP) and high cohesion.

b. Game

- Responsibility: Orchestrate build actions and delegate logic to appropriate classes.
- Justification:
 - The Game manages high-level flow and delegates validation to Board and rules to GodStrategy, achieving Separation of Concerns.

c. DemeterGodStrategy

- **Responsibility**: Enforce Demeter-specific rules and track build state.
- Justification:
 - The Strategy Pattern ensures extensibility and adheres to the Open-Closed Principle (OCP), allowing new God cards to implement unique rules.

Code Example

```
@Override
public boolean build(Game game, Worker worker, int x, int y) throws Exception {
   if (!game.getBoard().isValidBuildCell(worker.getX(), worker.getY(), x, y)) {
        throw new Exception("Invalid build location.");
   }
   game.getBoard().build(x, y);
   if (!this.extraBuildUsed) {
        this.extraBuildUsed = true; // Allow the second build
   } else {
        game.setCurrentPhase(GamePhase.END_TURN); // End turn
   }
   return true;
}
```

4. Engagement with Design Principles and Tradeoffs

Design Principles

- Open-Closed Principle (OCP):
 - The DemeterGodStrategy extends base functionality without modifying core game logic.
- Single Responsibility Principle (SRP):
 - Validation, state management, and rules are separated into distinct classes.
- Separation of Concerns:
 - Board handles grid-level logic.
 - DemeterGodStrategy manages Demeter-specific rules.

Tradeoffs

- 1. Alternative 1: Hardcoding Demeter Rules in Game:
 - Pro: Centralized logic.
 - **Con**: Violates SRP and makes adding new God cards difficult.
- 2. Alternative 2: Tracking State in Game:
 - **Pro**: Simplifies strategy classes.
 - **Con**: Adds complexity to Game, increasing coupling.
- 3. Chosen Design: Encapsulation in Strategy:
 - Maintains modularity and reduces coupling.

5. Interaction Between Base Game and Demeter Card

Base Game Logic

- 1. Game.build() delegates the build action to the current player's GodStrategy.
- 2. Board handles general validation and state updates.

Demeter Card Logic

- 1. DemeterGodStrategy.build() overrides the base build logic to allow a second build.
- 2. The optional second build is enforced by DemeterGodStrategy, leaving the base game unaffected.

Code Integration

```
public class Game {
    public boolean build(int x, int y) throws Exception {
        return currentPlayer.getGodStrategy().build(this, selectedWorker, x, y);
    }
}
```

Conclusion

The design:

- 1. Clearly validates and updates build actions with the Demeter card.
- 2. Matches the interaction diagram's sequence of method calls.
- 3. Adheres to SRP, OCP, and Separation of Concerns.
- 4. Demonstrates thoughtful tradeoffs, prioritizing modularity and extensibility.
- 5. Seamlessly integrates base game logic with Demeter-specific behavior using the Strategy Pattern.