# **Design Document for Chinese Checkers**

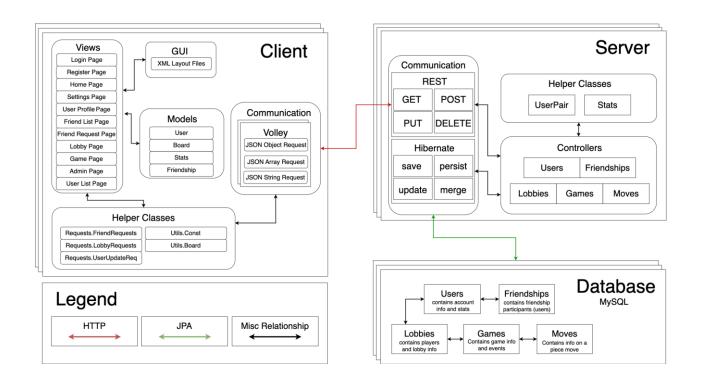
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### Client

GUI

The GUI is the XML files representing the visual aspects of the Views that the users interact with. This includes the placements and appearance of all aspects on the screen when interacting with the app.

#### Views

The View contains which individual activity page is needed for the app. Each View can move to other specified views navigating via user inputs. For example, after a user sign's in, they are moved to the home page, where they can navigate to the to a variety of other pages utilizing the View activities code linked to the GUI's xml elements.

## Models

The models are background objects, or a collection of related information used to aid Views in displaying user or instance specific information. Some examples of this are the user model and the board model. The user model contains information about the user starting from when they sign in. This information is then passed between activities to ensure the application can identify the information pertaining to its current user. The board model serves as a local simulated board that is used to drive the GUI so that the user can see the current state of the board. It also contains methods to identify specifics about the current board state, like what possible locations a piece can move to from its current location.

# Helpers

Helper classes are unique implementations of the Java Volley classes specific the the unique requests of each view method.

## Communication

Java's Volley classes are utilized to communicate with the server via HTTP requests.

#### Server

## Communication

#### Rest

Rest Methods are used to receive communications from users utilizing GET, POST, PUT, or DELETE requests using the HTTP communication protocol. These requests then access the Controllers for related information and return information pertaining to the HTTP request.

#### Hibernate

The Hibernate methods, save, persist, update and merge are used by the controllers to connect the MySQL Database using the Java Persistence API, or JPA. The controllers utilize the Hibernate methods to read or write data within the database.

# Helper

Helpers consists of classes used to manage data transfer, are not explicitly stored separately from the other tables, and in code are treated as a subset of their parent to hide detail unrelated to many other actions.

# Controller

The controllers are mirrored specifications of the database tables that utilize the information stored within the database and can also update information within the database if need be. They also designate what information is needed to pass through

communication requests, such as what is returned to the Client when they use a GET request.

## Database

The database hosts the collection of information surrounding the application that does not need to be or cannot be locally hosted. The database utilized MySQL which stores information within tables. Each table represents a different entity or entity relation. For example, a user is an entity with a set of defined characteristics. Such as a username and password. The friendship between the users is the relation between them, which must be stored in a separate table as users can have more than one friend at a time. The combinations of user ids in the friendship are used as the 'primary key' of the relation, which is a unique identifier used to ensure there are no duplicate friendships.

