Project 1: Game Playing Using easyAl

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Overview:

For Project 1, our group has been tasked with implementing three games using an easyAl framework.

Part 1:

For the first part of this project, our group was required to set up our environment in order to successfully complete the rest of our project. To do this we used the second method

provided in the guidelines which was to use Conda. We downloaded Conda for our corresponding operating system. Once we verified that Conda was installed, we created a conda environment and installed python version 3.8.

```
(base) mayteramirez@Maytes-Macbook ~ % conda create -n py38 python=3.8
Collecting package metadata (current_repodata.json): done
Solving environment: done
 ==> WARNING: A newer version of conda exists. <==
  current version: 4.12.0
  latest version: 4.13.0
Please update conda by running
    $ conda update -n base -c defaults conda
## Package Plan ##
  environment location: /Users/mayteramirez/opt/anaconda3/envs/py38
  added / updated specs:
    - python=3.8
The following packages will be downloaded:
                                                build
    ca-certificates-2022.4.26
                                          hecd8cb5_0
    certifi-2022.5.18.1 openssl-1.1.10
                                      py38hecd8cb5_0
                                                               148 KB
                                      hca72f7f_0
py38hecd8cb5_0
                                                               2.2 MB
    pip-21.2.4
                                                               1.8 MB
    python-3.8.13
                                          hdfd78df_0
                                                              10.8 MB
    setuptools-61.2.0
                                      py38hecd8cb5_0
                                                              1012 KB
                                          h707629a_0
                                                               1.2 MB
    sqlite-3.38.3
    tk-8.6.12
                                          h5d9f67b_0
                                                               3.1 MB
    xz-5.2.5
                                          hca72f7f_1
                                                               244 KB
                                                              20.5 MB
                                              Total:
The following NEW packages will be INSTALLED:
  ca-certificates
                      pkgs/main/osx-64::ca-certificates-2022.4.26-hecd8cb5_0
                      pkgs/main/osx-64::certifi-2022.5.18.1-py38hecd8cb5_0
  certifi
  libcxx
                      pkgs/main/osx-64::libcxx-12.0.0-h2f01273_0
  libffi
                      pkgs/main/osx-64::libffi-3.3-hb1e8313_2
  ncurses
                      pkgs/main/osx-64::ncurses-6.3-hca72f7f_2
  openssl
                      pkgs/main/osx-64::openssl-1.1.1o-hca72f7f_0
                      pkgs/main/osx-64::pip-21.2.4-py38hecd8cb5_0
pkgs/main/osx-64::python-3.8.13-hdfd78df_0
  pip
  python
  readline
                       pkgs/main/osx-64::readline-8.1.2-hca72f7f_1
                      pkgs/main/osx-64::setuptools-61.2.0-py38hecd8cb5_0
pkgs/main/osx-64::sqlite-3.38.3-h707629a_0
  setuptools
  sqlite
                      pkgs/main/osx-64::tk-8.6.12-h5d9f67b_0
```

The next step was to activate the conda environment.

```
# To activate this environment, use
#
# $ conda activate py38
#
# To deactivate an active environment, use
#
# $ conda deactivate
[(base) mayteramirez@Maytes-Macbook ~ % conda activate py38
```

Finally, we checked to make sure our conda environment is activated.

The second requirement for Part 1 required us to install the easyAl python framework.

This was successfully done using pip.

Part 2:

For the second part of this project, our group was tasked with running two examples presented in the easyAl documentation. The first example was running a tic-tac-toe game. Our group used Visual Studio as our editor to successfully run the code provided for the tic-tac-toe game. An example of a game can be seen below:

```
Player 1 what do you play ? 5

Move #1: player 1 plays 5:
...
.0.
...

Move #2: player 2 plays 1:

X...
.0.
...

Player 1 what do you play ? 3

Move #3: player 1 plays 3:

X.0
.0.
...

Move #4: player 2 plays 2:

X X 0
.0.
...

Player 1 what do you play ? 7

Move #5: player 1 plays 7:

X X 0
.0.
0.
0.

Move #6: player 2 plays 4:

X X 0
X 0
O .0.

Move #6: player 2 plays 4:

X X 0
X 0
O .0.

Move #6: player 2 plays 4:
```

The second example presented in the easyAl documentation that our group had to run was the Connect Four game. The beginning of the game and the final results can be seen below.

```
Move #39: player 1 plays 6:
0 1 2 3 4 5 6
XXXOXX.
000X00.
X X X O X X .
0 0 0 X 0 0 0
X X X 0 X X X
0 0 0 X 0 0 0
Move #40: player 2 plays 6:
0 1 2 3 4 5 6
X X X O \overline{X} X.
\begin{smallmatrix}0&0&0&X&0&0&.\\X&X&X&0&X&X&X\end{smallmatrix}
0 0 0 X 0 0 0 X X X X 0 0 0 X X X X 0 X X X
Move #41: player 1 plays 6:
0 1 2 3 4 5 6
\begin{smallmatrix}X&X&X&0&X&X&\bullet\\0&0&0&X&0&0&0\end{smallmatrix}
XXXOXXX
0 0 0 X 0 0 0
Move #42: player 2 plays 6:
0 1 2 3 4 5 6
 \begin{smallmatrix} X & X & X & 0 & X & X & X \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & X & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{smallmatrix} 
X X X 0 X X X
0 0 0 X 0 0 0
 X \ X \ X \ 0 \ X \ X \ X 
0 0 0 X 0 0 0
Looks like we have a draw.
(pv38) mayteramirez@Maytes-Macbook
```

It was noted that each time the fixed connect four game was executed, the players selected slots in order from 1 to 9 which provided the same results every time. A future improvement our group would have liked to work on is fixing this issue to make each move more random.

Part 3:

For the final part of this project, we had to implement a modified version of the game of checkers. We had to implement a two player game where the objective is to get as many pieces as you can from the opponent. This is done on an 8x8 board of checkers with two colors, one for each opponent.