Checkers Data Model

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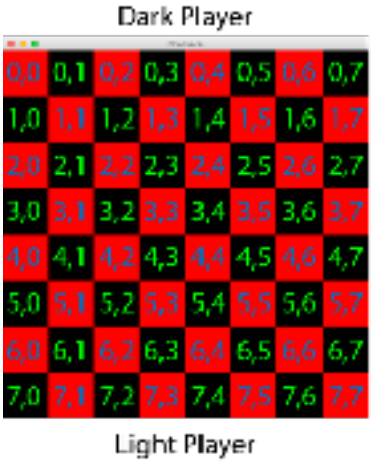
Layout:



Since the Dark Player goes first we always orient the map with 0,0 on the dark player's side.

Legality of moves for dark player:

- A move is legal if the row number is exactly +1 from the current piece's row(CR) AND +/- 1 from the current piece's column (CC).
- No row values of less than 0 or greater than NUM_ROWS - 1 can be legal
- No col values of less than 0 or greater than NUM_COLS - 1 can be legal

Legality of Jumps for dark player:

- A light color piece must exist within the legal movement of current piece
- Row of jump space is CR + 2
- Col of jump space is CC + 2*(Captured piece's col - CC)
- Jump space must be empty

Legality of moves for light player:

- A move is legal if the row number is exactly -1 from the current piece's row(CR) AND +/- 1 from the current piece's column (CC).
- No row values of less than 0 or greater than NUM_ROWS - 1 can be legal
- No col values of less than 0 or greater than NUM_COLS - 1 can be legal

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Kings:

- A dark piece becomes a king if it reaches NUM_ROWS - 1.
- A light piece becomes a king if it reaches row 0.
- A king assumes all legal moves for a regular dark piece.
- A king assumes all legal moves for a regular light piece.

General Game Play:

- Dark player must always go first
- If a jump exists, current player must make a jump and any subsequent jumps
- A player loses when there are no legal moves or jumps
- A draw occurs when drawCounter is reduced to 0 from 50
  - drawCounter reduces by 1 for each turn in which no KING or JUMP occurs and is reset on King or JUMP event

Data Model FIELDS list:

currentPlayer:Player
darkPlayer:Player
lightPlayer:Player
jumpList[ ]:Jump
moveList[ ]:Move
darkChips[ ]: Chip
lightChips[ ]: Chip
boardState[ ][ ] - holds Chip(king, color) where color can be light, dark
drawCounter:int
currentPosition:Position(int, int)
turnCounter:int

Data Model METHODS list:

setCurrentPlayer(Player)
getCurrentPlayer():Player
setDarkPlayer(Player)
setLightPlayer(Player)
makeJumpList()
getJumpList():Jump[ ]
isJumpLegal():boolean
makeMoveList()
getMoveList():Move[ ]
isMoveLegal():boolean
setBoardState(Position, Chip)
getBoardState(): Chip[ ][ ]
setDrawCounter(int)
getDrawCounter():int
setCurrentPosition(Position)
getCurrentPosition():Position
setTurnCounter(int)
getTurnCounter():int