# TCG HW2 Description

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# **HW2** Description

- Implement the  $9 \times 9$  GO.
- Require: UCB, UCT and progressive pruning.
- Bonus: Other techniques.
- Grading policy:
  - Basic grading policy:
    - Implement the basic requirement.
    - Defeat the random version program.
    - Your report.
  - Advance grading policy:
    - Other enhancement
    - Program ranking in the whole class
- Due Day: December 24, 2015, 14:20

#### Protocol and Notes

- Go Text Protocol (GTP): often run with graphic user interface
  - run with option -display to auto display board
  - run with option -nodisplay or no option to disable auto display board.
- Note:
  - Your code will be tested with GTP version
  - All debug message should only output to file or standard error
  - Do not change the output format of GTP function
  - The time limit is 10 second per move.

#### Basic Commands for GTP version

- These functions is based on the Go Text Protocol
  - Reference: http://www.lysator.liu.se/~gunnar/gtp/
- Implemented command
  - protocol\_version // Display the version of current protocol
  - name // Show the program name
  - version // Show the version of program
  - known\_command // Ask program knows command or not.
  - list\_commands // Show the list of all known commands
  - boardsize // Set the board size, currently only 9 is legal.
  - clear\_board // Reset the board state.
  - komi // Set the number of komi (e.g. 6.5, 7, 7.5)
  - play // Play White/Black stone on game board
  - $\bullet$  genmove // Call the engine to generate next move.
  - undo // Back to previous move
  - showboard // Display the current game board
  - quit // End the program

### Description of GTP Command

- boardsize size
  - Set the boardsize as size
  - The template code only support size = 9
- clear\_board
  - clear the gameboard
- kmoi num
  - set the komi as *num*, default is 7.
- play b/w [ABCDEFGHJ][1-9]
  - like put, put b/w's sonte at column [A-J], row [1-9]
  - row id is down to top.
  - column id is left to right.
- genmove b/w
  - generate b/w's move
- undo
  - undo one move
- showbaord
  - show current gamebaord

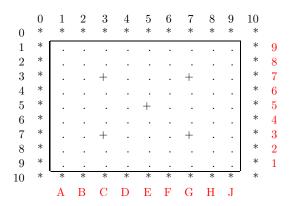


### About the Template Code

- The variable in the template code is naming as follows:
  - Define constant: all upper letters.
    - BOARDSIZE, BOUNDARYSIZE.
  - Array: Initial character is upper letter.
    - Board, MoveList
  - Non-array variable: all letter is lower case
    - There are two exceptions, X and Y.
    - game\_length, num\_legal\_move

# Board Structure:

# Board[BOUNDARYSIZE][BOUNDARYSIZE]



- BOUNDARYSIZE: 11
- BOARDSIZE: 9
- Board[i][j] is (x,y) = (j, 10-i) in the game board

#### Genmove Function

- gen\_legal\_move(Board, turn, game\_length, GameRecord, MoveList)
  - generate all the legal move
  - return the number of legal moves.
- rand\_pick\_move(num\_legal\_moves, MoveList)
  - randomly pick one legal move
  - return the selected move.
  - You should replace this function.
- do\_move(Board, turn, move)
  - update the current board with "move"

### gen\_legal\_move Function

- For each empty intersection
  - Check if the empty intersection is a legal move
  - Check if the legal move will result in a repeat board
  - Add the move to move list.
    - each move is a 3 digit integers eij
    - e denote this is a capture move (1) or not (0).
    - ij denote the location of Board[i][j]
    - e.g. 123: put stone in Board[2][3] is a capture move.
    - e.g. 056: put stone in Board[5][6] is not a capture move.

# Function for Checking Legal Move

- count\_neighboorhood\_state(Board, X, Y, turn, \*empt, \*self, \*oppo, \*boun, NeighboorhoodState)
  - return the number of
    - Empty intersection
    - Self intersection
    - Opponent intersection
    - Boundary intersection
  - Record the state of each neighborhood in NeighboorhoodState.
- count\_liberty(X, Y, Board, Liberties)
  - count the number of liberties in each direction's string.
  - The result is saved in Liberties.
  - Using DFS method.

### Legal Move

- A move is legal if
  - At least one neighborhood intersection is empty.
  - One of the self string has more than one liberty.
    - And it's not a self-eye.
  - One of the opponent string has only one liberty.

#### Do the move

- Update the Board with
  - play Black/White [ABCDEFGHJ][123456789]
- update\_board(Board, X, Y, turn)
  - put turn's piece in (X, Y)
  - will not check if (X, Y) is a legal move.
- update\_board\_check(Board, X, Y, turn)
  - put turn's piece in (X, Y)
  - will check if (X, Y) is a legal move.
  - return 1 if (X, Y) is a legal move
  - return 0 if (X, Y) is a inlegal move

#### Avoid the repeat board

- GameRecord[MAXGAMELENGTH][BOUNDARYSIZE][BOUNDARYSIZE]
- game\_length
- Check the all the board in the GameRecord.

# Result Counting

- final\_score(Board)
  - black area: black stones + black eyes
  - white area: white stones + black eyes
  - result: black area white area
- final result = final score komi
  - $\bullet$  > 0: B+[result]
  - $\bullet = 0: 0 (draw)$
  - $\bullet$  < 0: W+[-result]

#### Introduction of GoGui

- Homepage: http://gogui.sourceforge.net/
  - You can find the download link here.
- Run a computer selfplay
  - **1** Game  $\Rightarrow$  game size  $\Rightarrow$  9
  - ② Game  $\Rightarrow$  Game info  $\Rightarrow$  Komi 7
  - - Command: the path to your execution file.

  - **⑤** Game  $\Rightarrow$  Computer Color  $\Rightarrow$  Both

# Selfplay Via GoGui

- gogui-twogtp
  - -white [white program name]
  - -black [black program name]
  - -games [number of games]
  - -alternate
  - -size 9
  - -komi 7
  - -verbose
  - -sgffile [filename]
    - filename.dat: statistic result
    - filename-0.sgf filename-[N-1].sgf
  - -auto
- Example: gogui-twogtp -white white.exe -black black.exe -games 10 -alternate -size 9 -komi 7 -verbose -sgffile record\_name -auto
- Using Gogui to display:
  - gogui -program "gogui-twogtp . . . " -size 9 -computer-both -auto

# About -games and -sgffile in gogui-twogtp

- -games N means gogui-twogtp will play N games.
- -sgffile [filename] means the result will be saved with prefix "filename"
- If filename.data exists and contains k games.
  - If N <= k, then gogui-twogtp will do nothing.</li>
  - $\bullet$  If N > k, then gogui-twogtp will play exact N-k games.
  - $\bullet$  If you want to play exact N games:
    - remove filename.data
    - or add option -force to overwrite filename.dat
- Files with extension sgf are the game record of each game.
  - Index from 0 to N-1
  - Can be opened by gogui
    - File ⇒ Open.

#### Other notification

- When each game start, the protocol will call function reset(Board).
  - Beware to initial all your self data strcture here.
- Provide your Makefile or specfied how to compile your codes in the report.
- Gogui can show the graphic user interface via Xming and pietty.
  - Start Xming
  - pietty => putty mode
  - session: host name or ip
  - Connection => SSH => X11:
    - Select "Enable X11 forwarding"
    - X display location: 127.0.0.1:0
  - Open