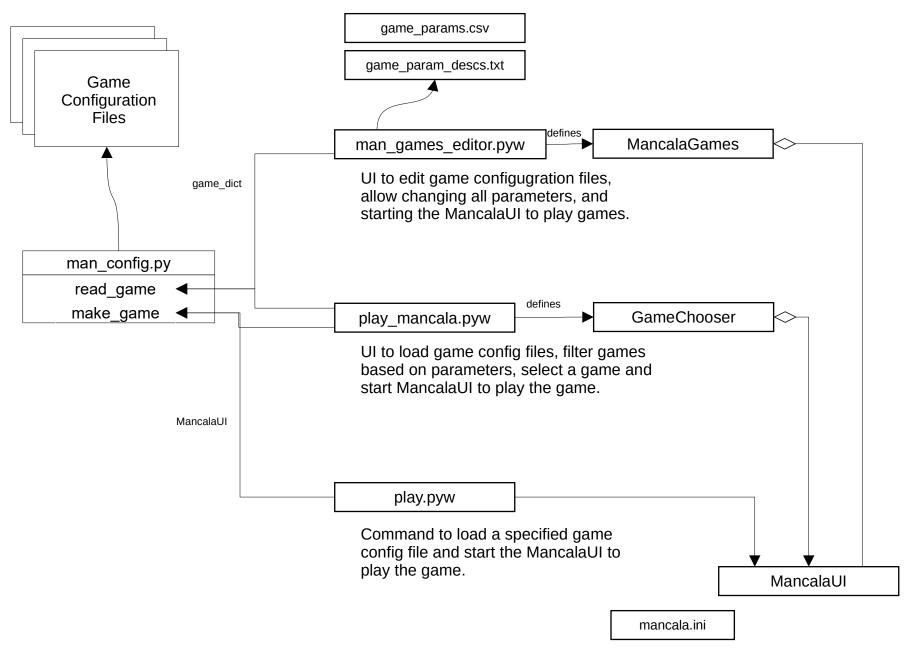
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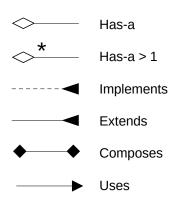


Notation Conventions

Class Diagram Conventions

Abstract Base Class

Primarily Data



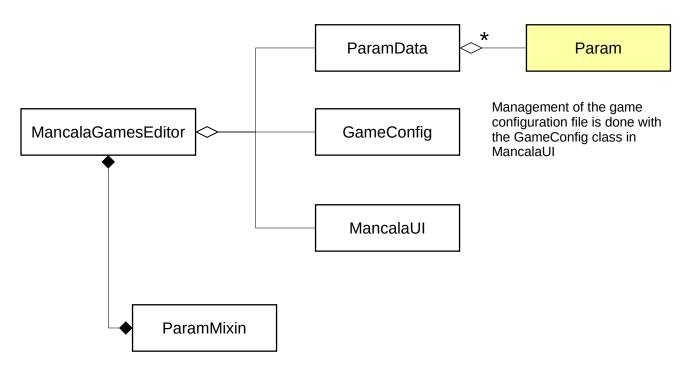
Deco Chain Conventions

- One path down the deco chain is used.
- · Intersecting arrows are decision points.
- Shown in **call order** from start dot (constructed in reverse order).
- Calls down the deco chain maybe at any point in each deco's processing.
- Some deco's do not call down the deco chain even if there is a follow-on deco.
- All paths shown might not be possible (see ginfo_rules).

Optional deco

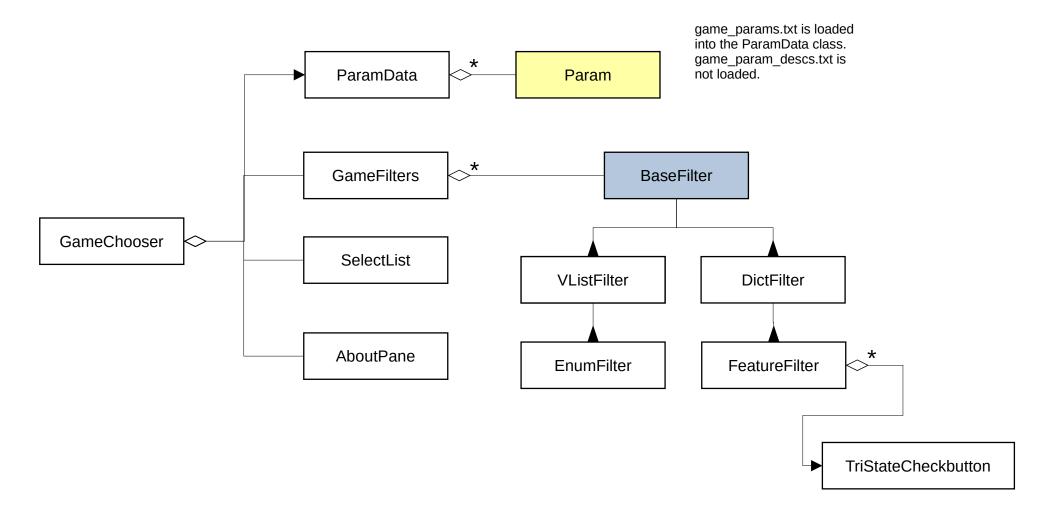
Deco Chain in Seperate Diagram

MancalaGamesEditor man_games_editor.pyw

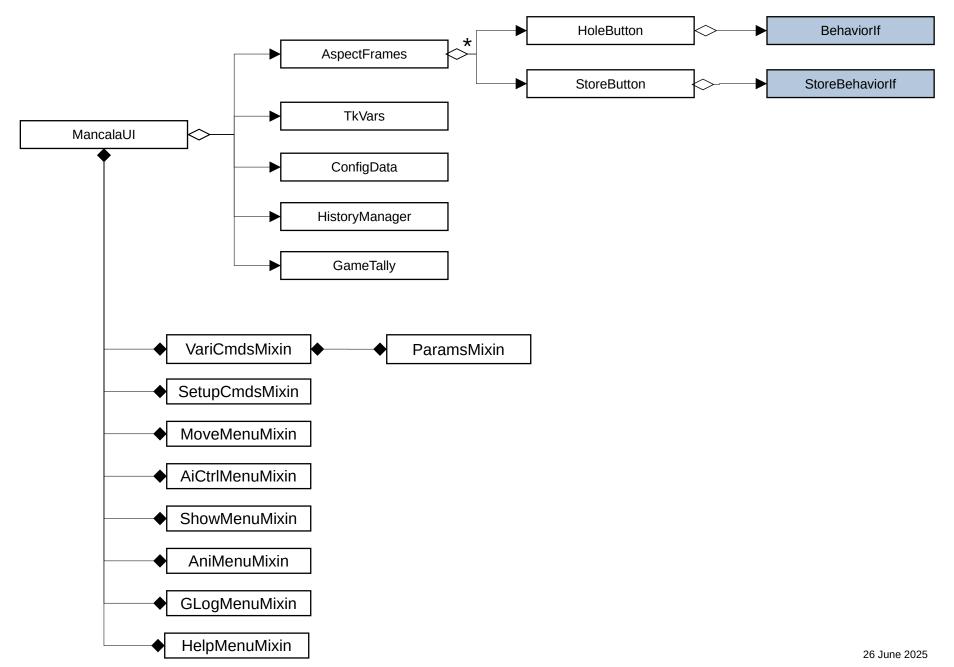


game_params.txt and game_param_descs.txt are loaded into the ParamData class.

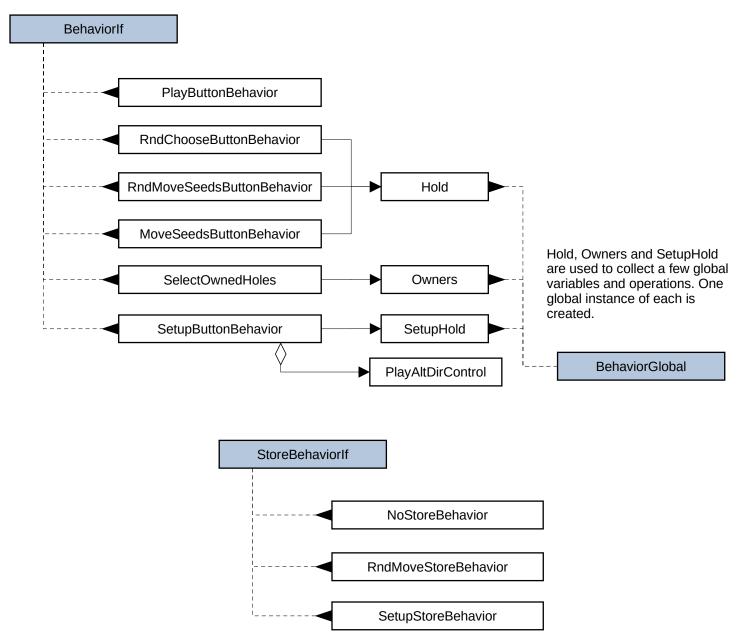
GameChooser play_mancala.pyw



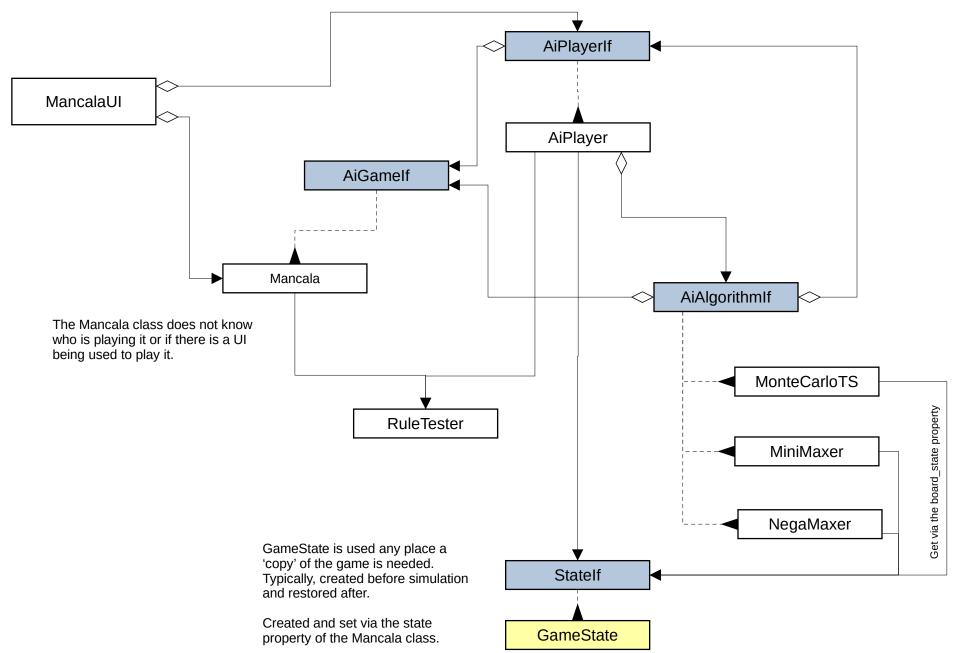
MancalaUI Classes mancala_ui.py



Behavior Classes for MancalaUI



AIPlayer and AIAlgorithm Integration



Animator Classes

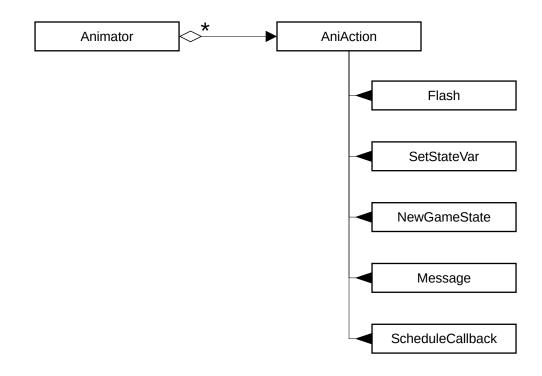


Assignments to an AniList generate SetStateVar animations.

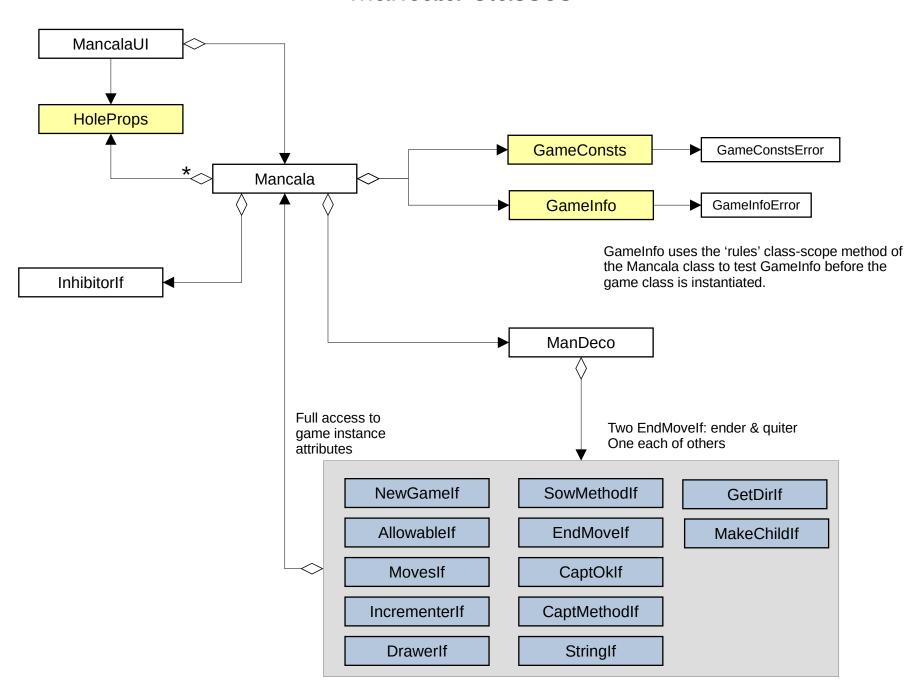
These animator hooks are used for 5 state variable and only when they are configured for use in a game.

These hooks are not included if animator. ENABLED is set False.

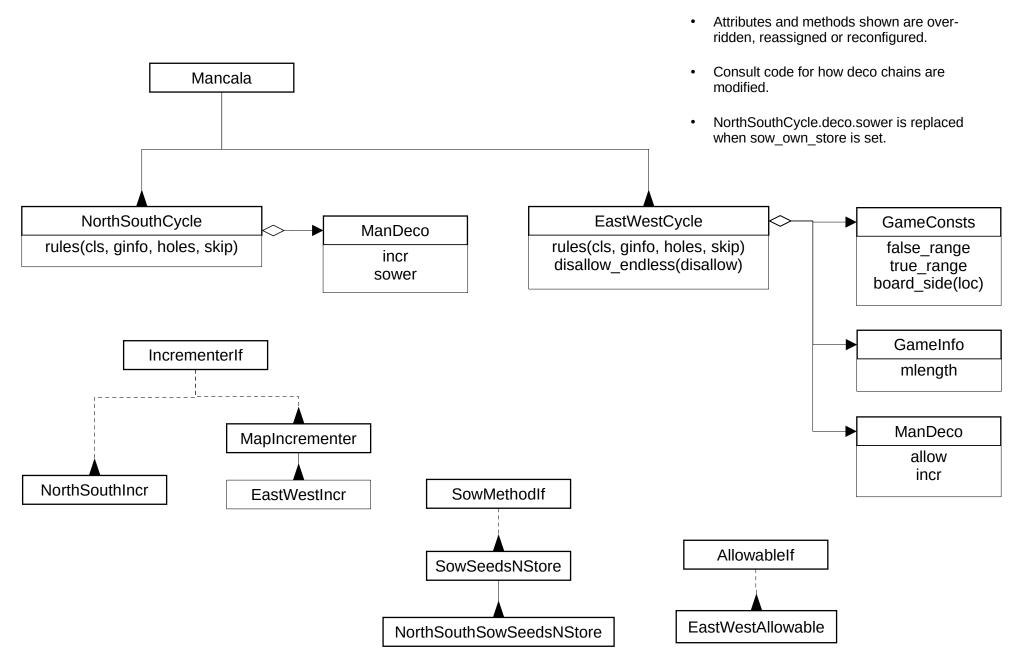
AniGameState



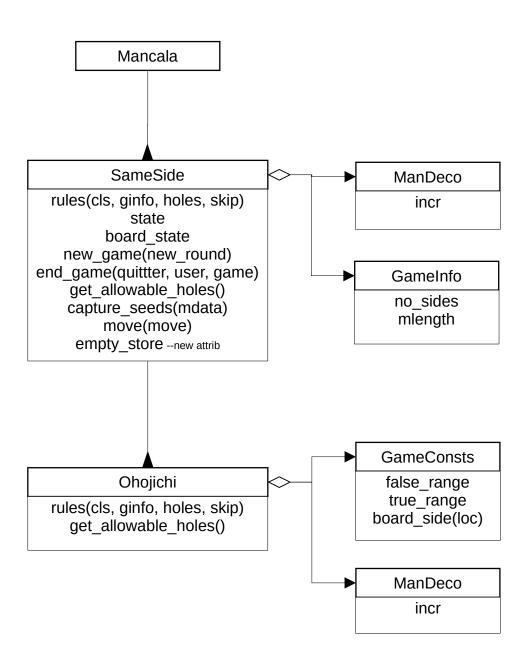
Mancala Classes



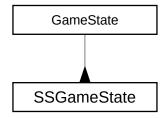
Two Cycle Game Classes



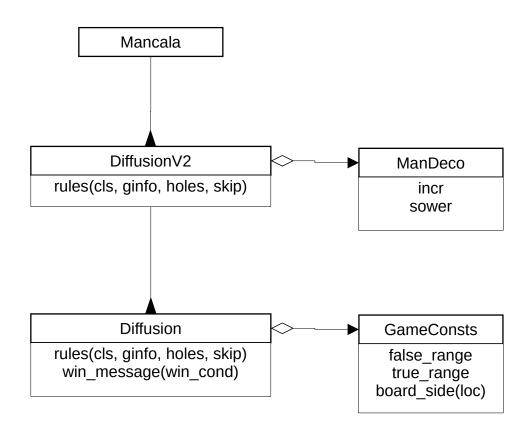
SameSide and Ohojichi Game Classes



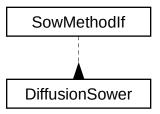
- Attributes and methods shown are overridden, reassigned or reconfigured.
- Each game class uses the appropriate two_cycle incrementer as the base incrementer.
- Ohojichi only calls the allow deco chain when on the first part of turns, not on the place seeds opposite part.



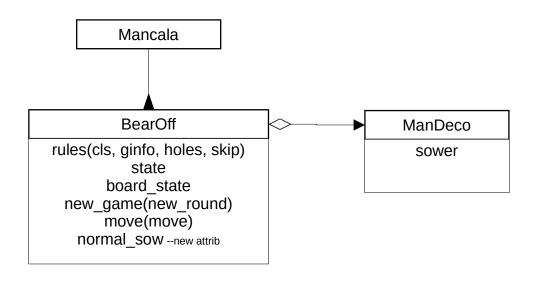
Diffusion and DiffusionV2 Game Classes



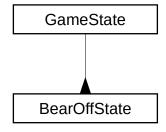
- Attributes and methods shown are overridden, reassigned or reconfigured.
- The incr deco chain is cleared because it should not be used: the sower is completely replaced and the capturer deco is CaptNone.
- Both game classes use the DiffusionSower.

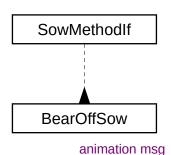


Bear Off Game Class



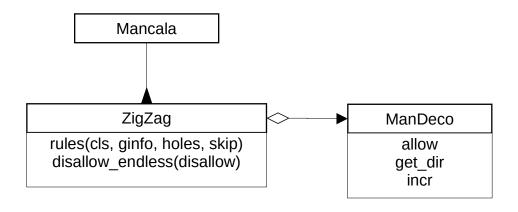
- Attributes and methods shown are overridden, reassigned or reconfigured.
- The BearOff sower is inserted in the deco chain before the single sower. The BearOffSower either does the bear off style sowing or calls down the deco chain to the original single sower.



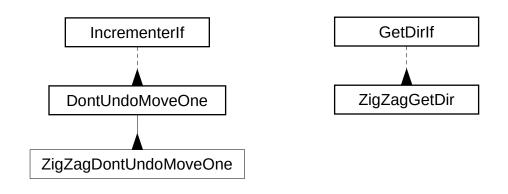


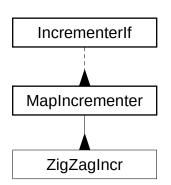
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ZigZag Game Class



- Attributes and methods shown are over-ridden, reassigned or reconfigured.
- ZigZag Cycle:
 - The ZigZag cycle is similar to the normal cycle in that each hole is visited once before any hole is visited a second time.
 - The cycle is generated as though sowing from South's Leftmost hole (loc 0) throught the board to North's Rightmost hole.
 - The sow direction describes which way through this cycle and the incrementer should move.
- Consult code for how deco chains are modified.





Import Classes for Moves

InhibitorIf new game() get_state() set_state() clear if() set_on() set_off() set child(condition) stop me capt(turn) stop me child(turn) InhibitorNone **InhibitorCaptN** InhibitorChildrenOnly InhibitorBoth

The decorator chains and button behaviors use and control the inhibitor.

MoveTpl

Moves are one of (based on game parameters):

- 1. position
- 2. (position, direction)
- 3. (row, position, direction)

MoveTpl prints the moves nicely.

Row is in terms of the UI, that is Top/True is 0 and Bottom/False is 1. This is the "not" of the game.turn.

Moves are created when initializing the HoleButtons for the human players and via the get_moves deco chain for the Al player.

MoveData

MoveData is used to communicate information about each move between the deco chains and individual decorators.

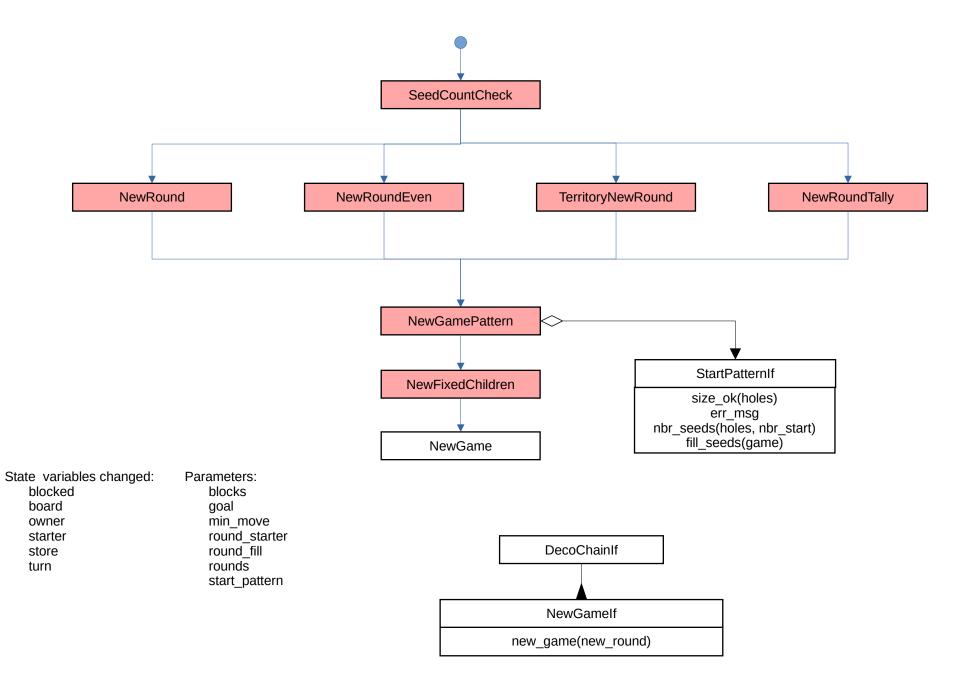
See class comment for where each field is set and/or updated.

The current move's mdata is stored in Mancala, but anything stored directly into that could mess up the Monte Carlo Tree Search (it's node dictionary uses a limited version of game state, which does not include Mancala.mdata).

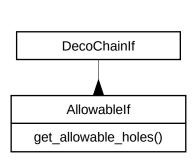
Decorator Usage

Game Op/Step	Primary Decorator	Other Classes & Decorators Used	Description
New Game	new_game	StartPattern, inhibitor	Setups the game for initial play. Applies any prescribed moves.
Determine Drawable Holes	allow		Return a list of holes that are playable.
Collect Moves	get_moves		Return a list of possible moves.
Draw seeds to start a move	drawer		Parse the move, determine number of seeds to sow, possibly leave one seed
Determine sow direction	get_direction		Convert the move & location into an actual sowable direction: clockwise or counter-clockwise.
Sow	sower	MoveData, incr, make_child, inhibitor	Drop the seeds into the board holes.
Capture seeds	capturer & capt_ok	MoveData, incr, make_child, inhibitor	Perform any captures.
Evaluate end of game	ender	MoveData	At the end of each move determine if the game is over: game has been won, no more moves, game outcome can't change, etc.
Logging	get_string		Creates an ASCII string for the game.
Force end of game	quitter	MoveData	The game needs to end either because of endless sow or user selection. If not configured to do something else, unclaimed seeds are divvied between the players.

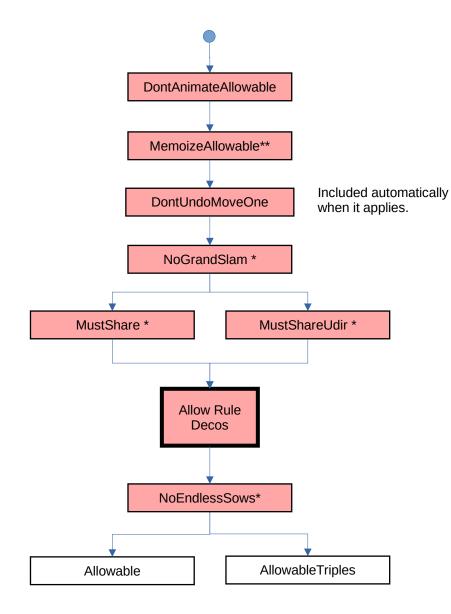
New Game Decorators and Chain



Allowables Decorators and Chain



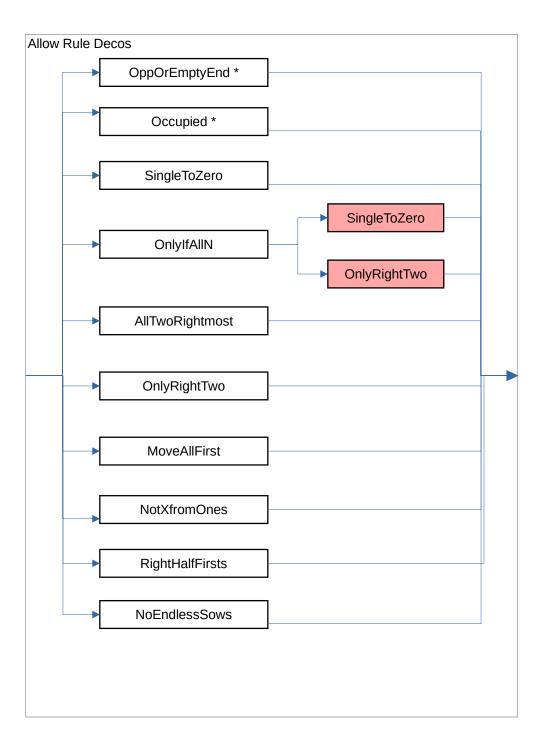
State variables read: turn min_move board allow_rule store mlength blocked owner grandslam child udir_holes mcount



Notes:

- * Simulates some portion of moves to determine allowables
- ** MemoizeAllowable is used for deco's that simulate moves

Allow Rule Decos

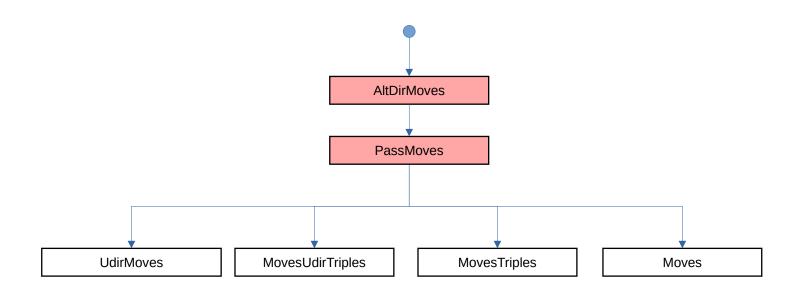


Notes:

Some allow rule decos are shown more than once for clarity.

* Simulates some portion of moves to determine allowables

Get Moves Decorators and Chain



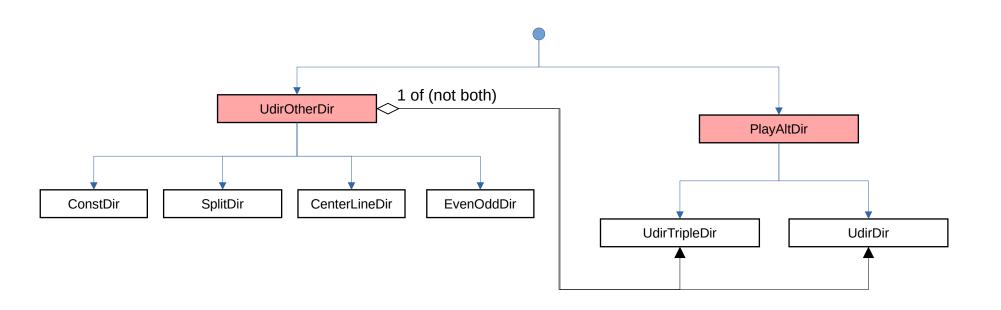
State variables read: Parameters:
blocked mlength
board mustpass
owner sow_direct
starter udir_holes
store udirect
turn

DecoChainIf

MovesIf

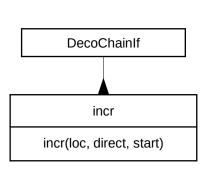
get_moves()

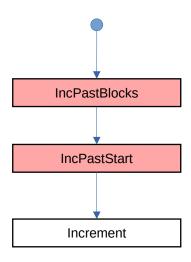
Get Direction Decorators and Chain





Incrementer Decorators and Chains

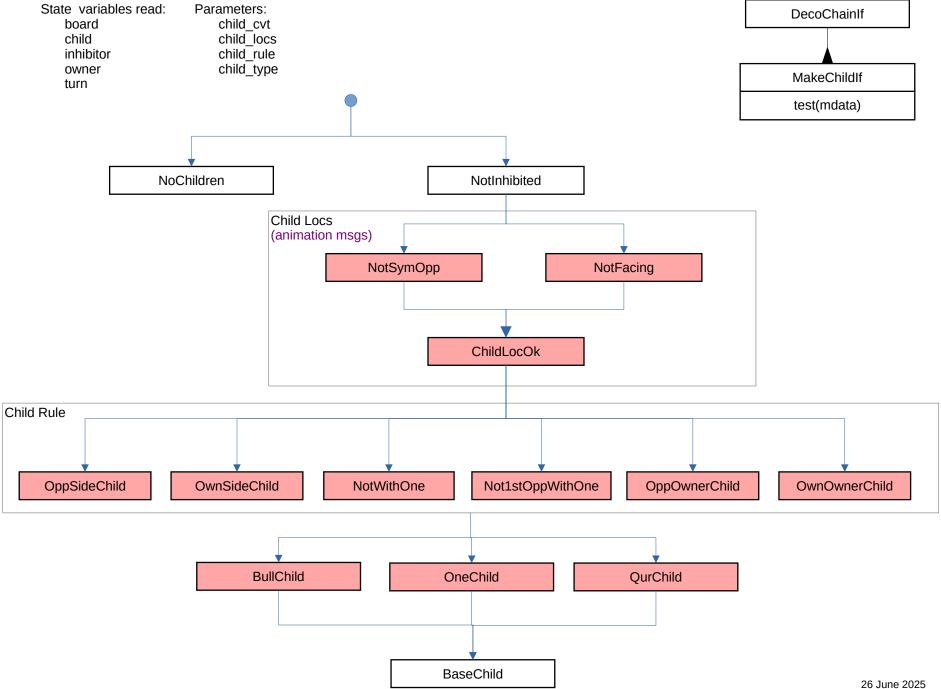




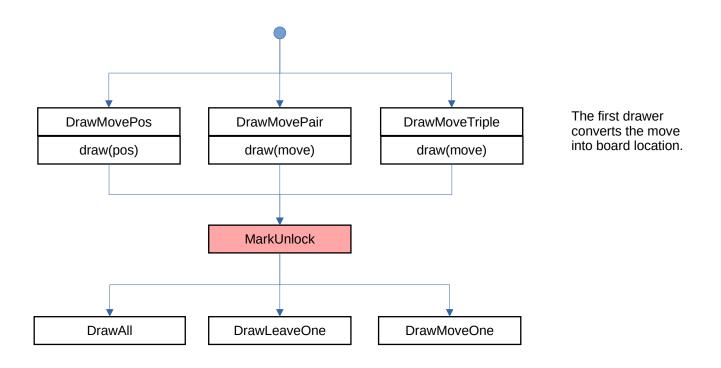
State variables read: blocked

Parameters: blocks skip_start

MakeChild Decorator and Chain

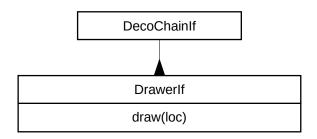


Draw Decorators and Chain

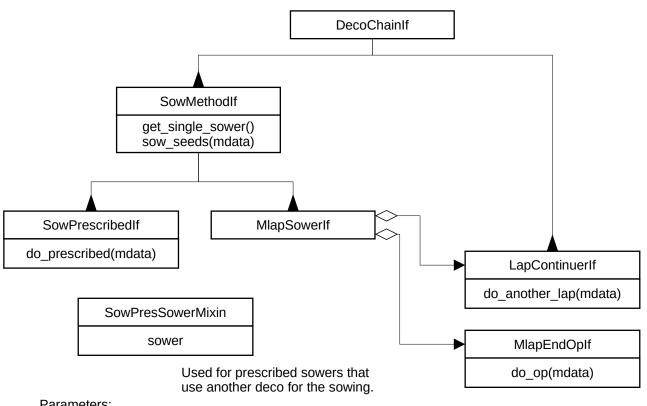


State variables:
Read:
turn
Changed:
board
unlocked

Parameters: allow_rule mlength move_one moveunlock sow_start

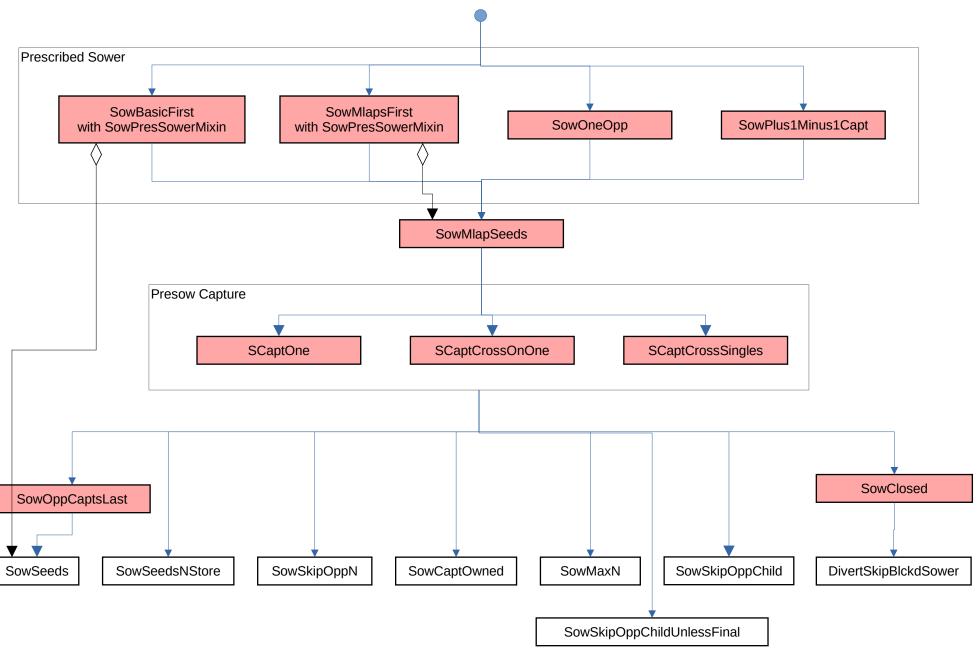


Sower Decorators

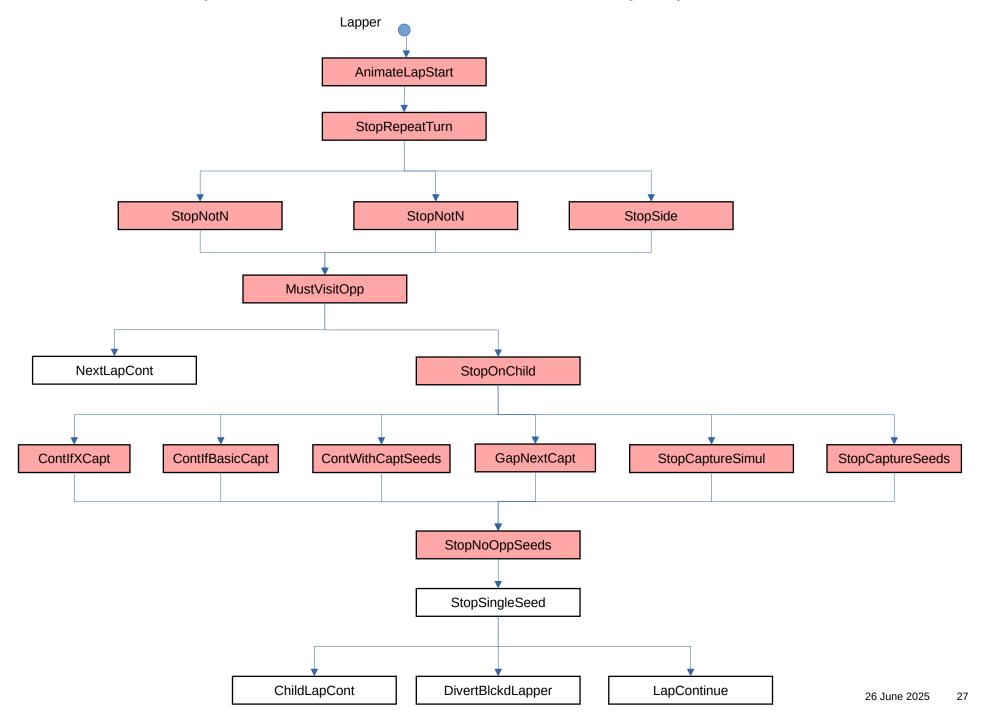


State variables: Parameters: Reads capt max inhibitor capt_min capt on turn child child type crosscapt mcount Changes evens Mlap Op Not a deco chain. board goal gparam_one store blocked mlaps prescribed presowcapt NoOp CloseOp DirChange sow direct sow_own_store sow param sow rule visit opp

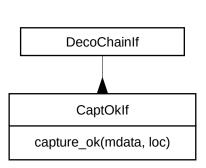
Sower Deco Chain



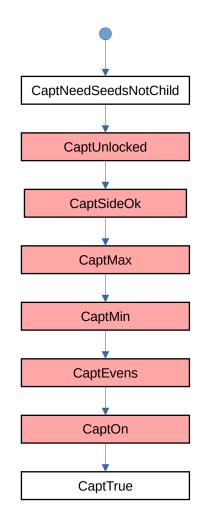
Lap Continuer Deco Chain and Mlap Operation



Capt Ok Decorators and Chains



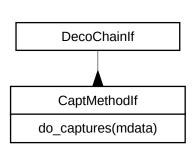
State variables read: Parameters:
board capt_max
child capt_min
turn capt_on
unlocked capt_side
moveunlock



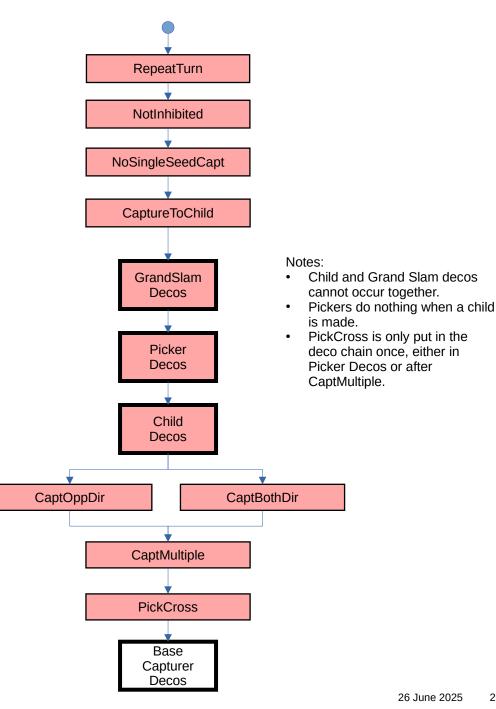
This is the Basic Capture Criteria.

These are effectively ANDed. If any deco condition is false, it returns false, otherwise it calls down the deco chain.

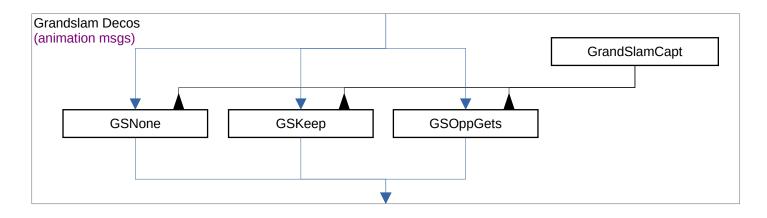
Capturer Decorators and Chain

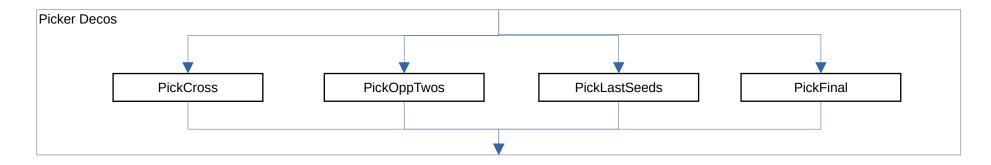


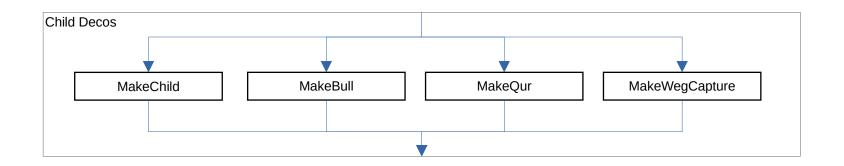
State variables Parameters: Reads capsamedir inhibitor capt_max starter capt min turn capt on Changes capt rturn capt side board child capt type child cvt store child_type crosscapt evens grandslam mlaps multicapt nocaptmoves nosinglecapt pickextra prescribed round_fill xc sown xcpickown



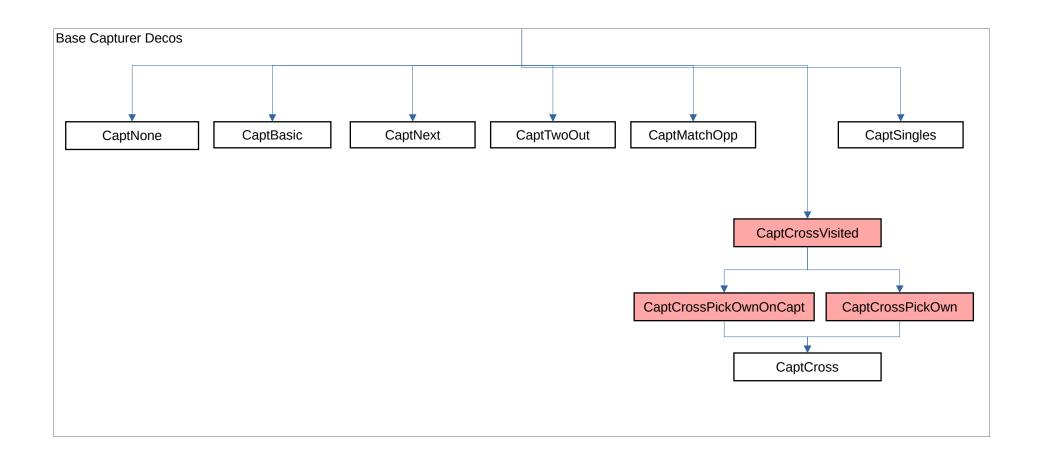
Capturer Deco Chains (1 of 2)



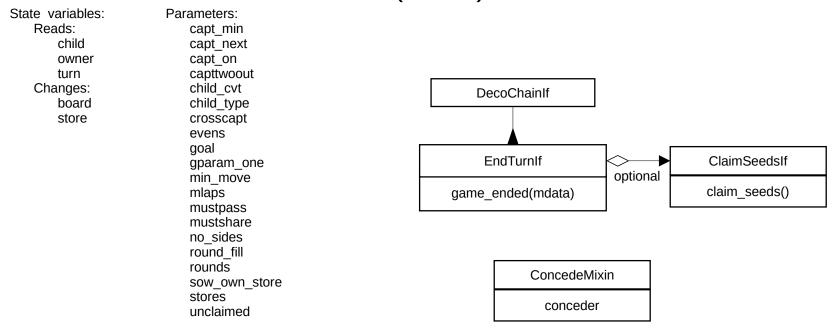




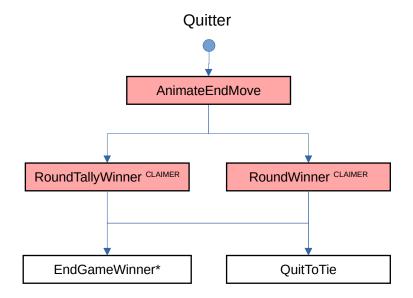
Capturer Deco Chains (2 of 2)



Ender & Quiter Decorators and Chains (1 of 2)



Used for enders that use a different criteria for ending when the user concedes a game.



Note:

* For EndGameWinner in the quitter: a claimer, taker or divvier is selected based on the quitter, child type and store properties (see next page).

Ender & Quiter Decorators and Chains (2 of 2)

