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Design Chess

Let's design a system to play online chess.

We'll cover the following

- System Requirements
- Use case diagram
- Class diagram
- Activity diagrams
- Code

Chess is a two-player strategy board game played on a chessboard, which is a checkered gameboard with 64 squares arranged in an 8×8 grid. There are a few versions of game types that people play all over the world. In this design problem, we are going to focus on designing a two-player online chess game.

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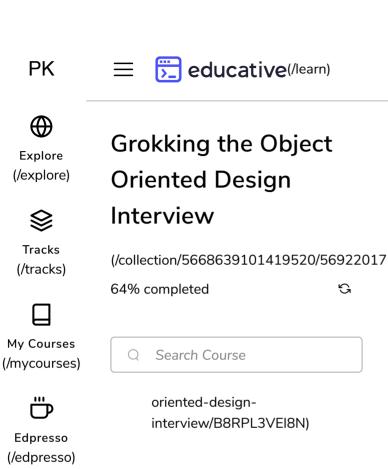


System Requirements

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We'll focus on the following set of requirements while designing the game of chess:

- 1. The system should support two online players to play a game of chess.
- 2. All rules of international chess will be followed.
- 3. Each player will be randomly assigned a side, black or white.



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- 4. Both players will play their moves one after the other. The
- white side plays the first move.
- 5. Players can't cancel or roll back their moves.
- 6. The system should maintain a log of all moves by both players.
- 7. Each side will start with 8 pawns, 2 rooks, 2 bishops, 2 knights, 1 queen, and 1 king.
- 8. The game can finish either in a checkmate from one side, forfeit or stalemate (a draw), or resignation.

Use case diagram

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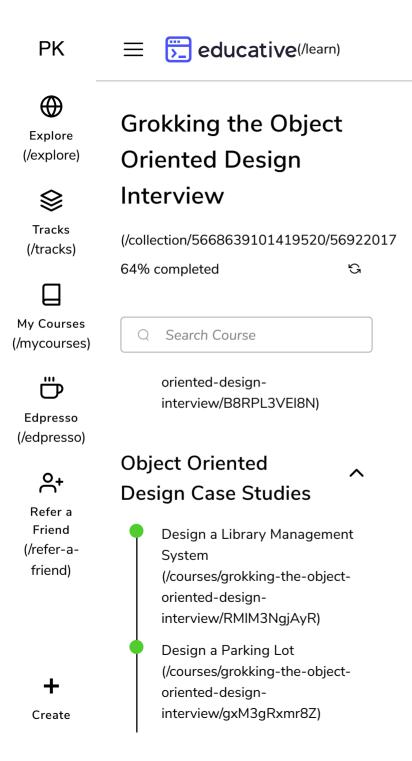
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We have two actors in our system:

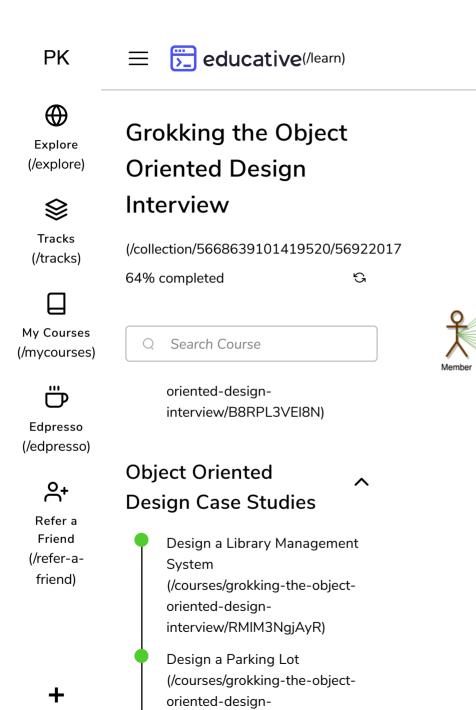
- **Player:** A registered account in the system, who will play the game. The player will play chess moves.
- Admin: To ban/modify players.

Here are the top use cases for chess:

• Player moves a piece: To make a valid move of any chess piece.

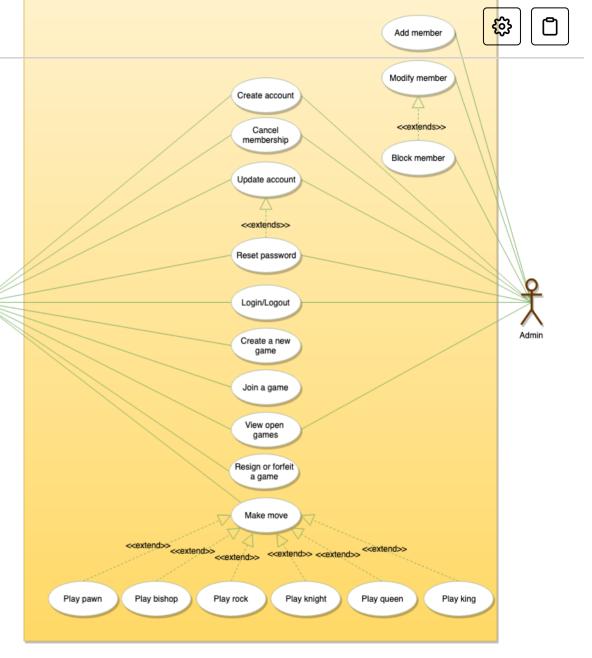


- Resign or forfeit a game: A player resigns from/forfeits the game.
- Register new account/Cancel membership: To add a new member or cancel an existing member.
- **Update game log:** To add a move to the game log.

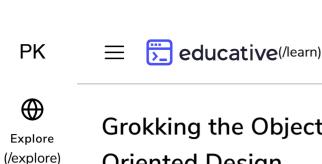


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Class diagram

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Here are the main classes for chess:

- Player: Player class represents one of the participants playing the game. It keeps track of which side (black or white) the player is playing.
- Account: We'll have two types of accounts in the system: one will be a player, and the other will be an admin.
- **Game:** This class controls the flow of a game. It keeps track of all the game moves, which player has the current turn, and the final result of the game.
- **Box:** A box represents one block of the 8x8 grid and an optional piece.
- **Board:** Board is an 8x8 set of boxes containing all active chess pieces.
- **Piece:** The basic building block of the system, every piece will be placed on a box. This class contains the color the piece represents and the status of the piece (that is, if the piece is



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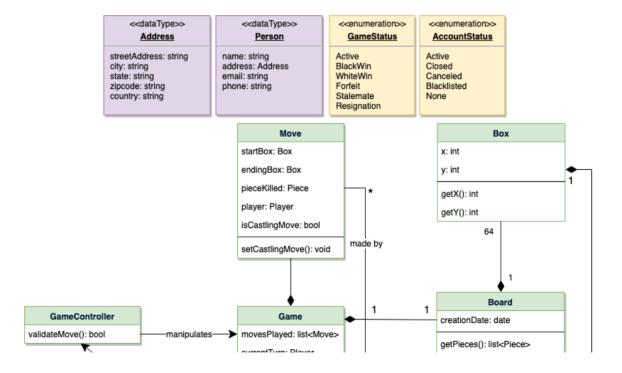
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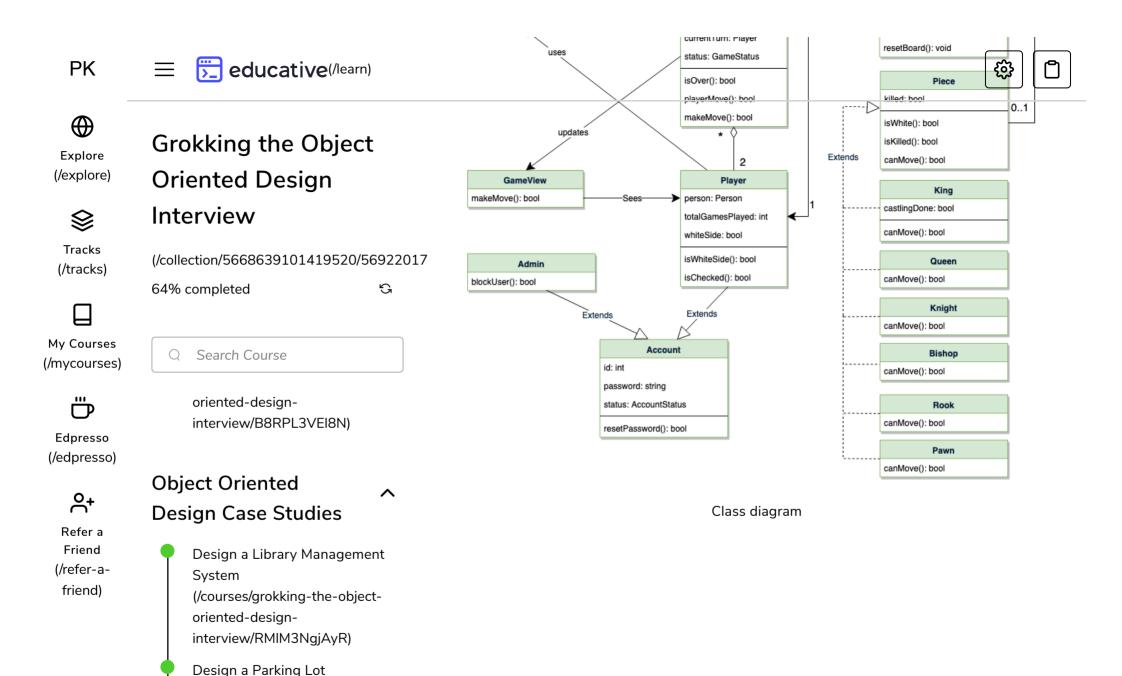
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- **Move:** Represents a game move, containing the starting and ending box. The Move class will also keep track of the player who made the move, if it is a castling move, or if the move resulted in the capture of a piece.
- **GameController:** Player class uses GameController to make moves.
- **GameView:** Game class updates the GameView to show changes to the players.





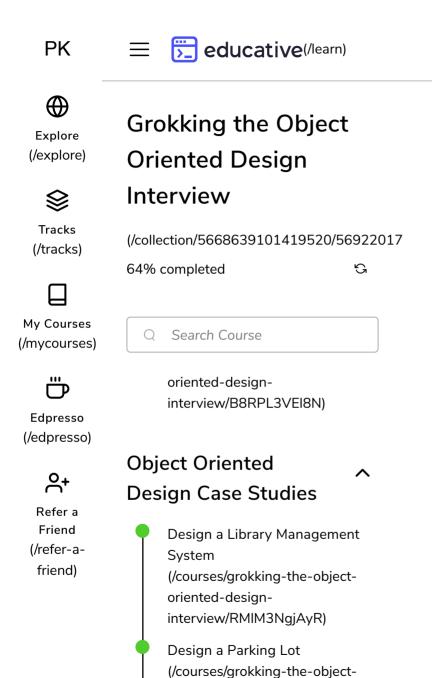
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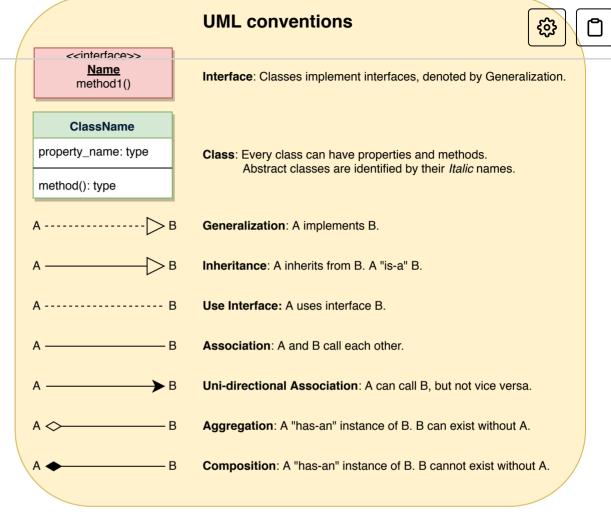
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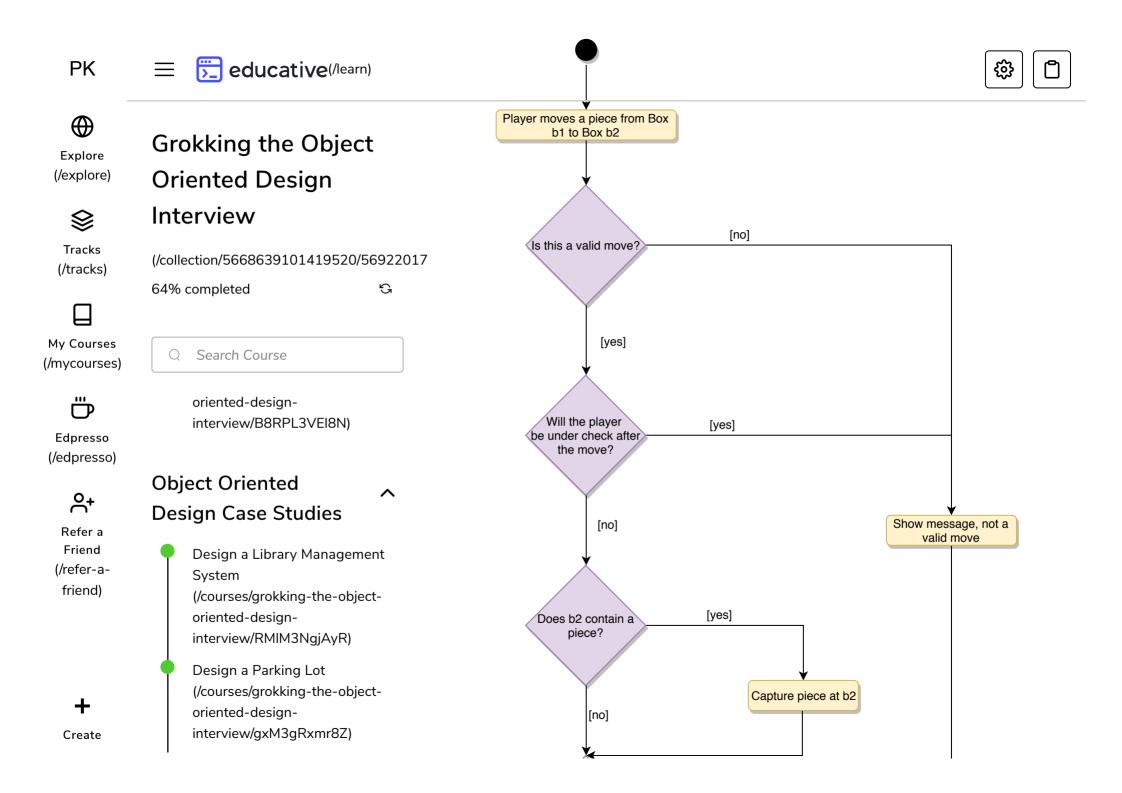
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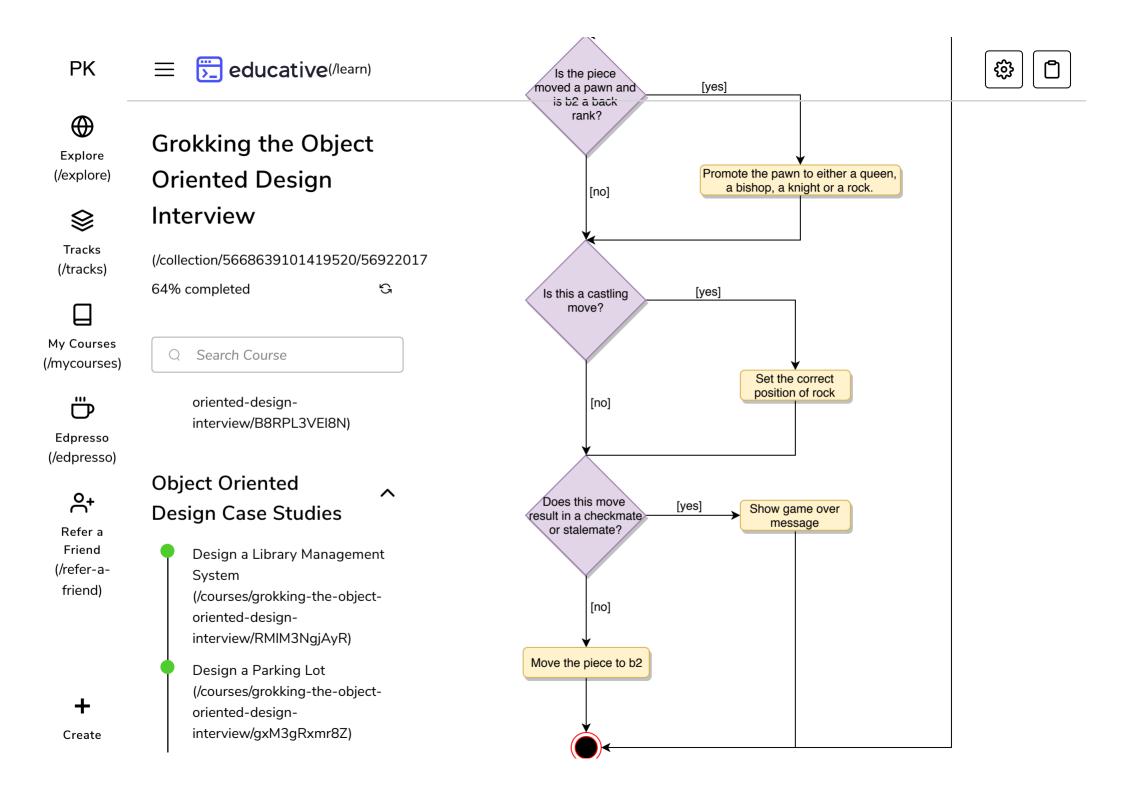


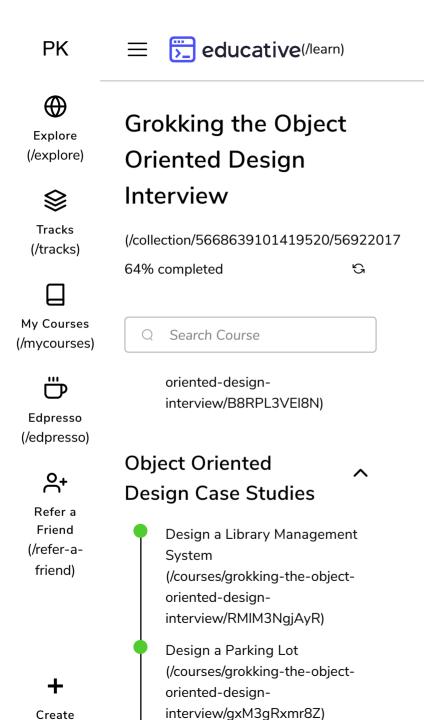
Activity diagrams

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Make move: Any Player can perform this activity. Here are the set of steps to make a move:











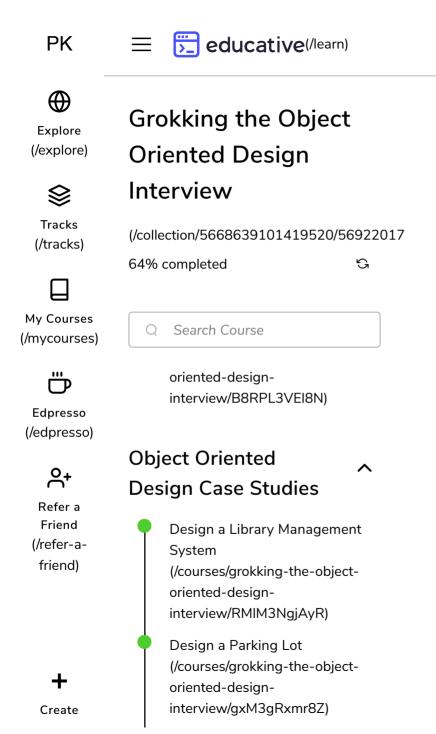
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Here is the code for the top use cases.

Enums, DataTypes, Constants: Here are the required enums, data types, and constants:

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public enum GameStatus {
  ACTIVE, BLACK WIN, WHITE WIN, FORFEIT, STALEMATE, RESIGNATION
}
public enum AccountStatus {
  ACTIVE, CLOSED, CANCELED, BLACKLISTED, NONE
public class Address {
  private String streetAddress;
  private String city;
  private String state;
  private String zipCode;
  private String country;
public class Person {
  private String name;
  private Address address;
  private String email;
  private String phone;
}
```



Box: To encapsulate a cell on the chess board:

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```
public class Box {
  private Piece piece;
  private int x;
  private int y;
  public Box(int x, int y, Piece piece) {
    this.setPiece(piece);
    this.setX(x);
    this.setY(y);
  }
  public Piece getPiece() {
    return this piece;
  public void setPiece(Piece p) {
    this.piece = p;
  public int getX() {
    return this.x;
  }
  public void setX(int x) {
    this.x = x;
  }
  public int getY() {
    return this.y;
  }
  public void setY(int y) {
    this.y = y;
}
```



Piece: An abstract class to encapsulate common functionality of all chess pieces:



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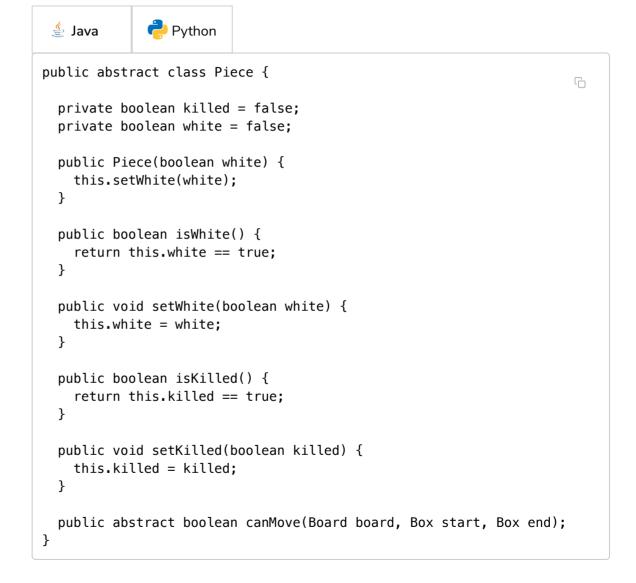
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King: To encapsulate King as a chess piece:













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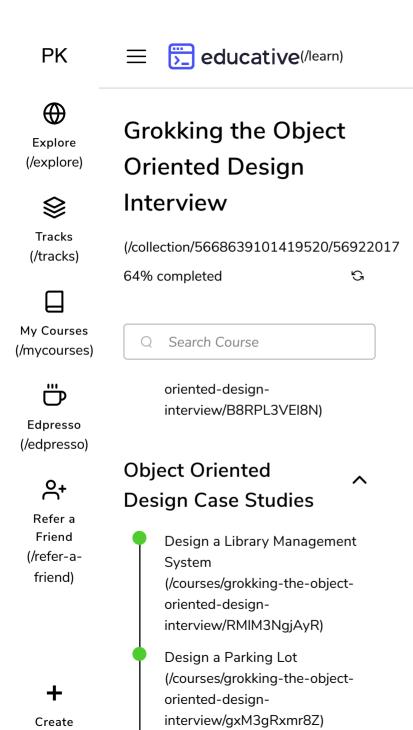
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```
private boolean castlingDone = false;
public King(boolean white) {
 super(white):
public boolean isCastlingDone() {
  return this.castlingDone == true;
}
public void setCastlingDone(boolean castlingDone) {
 this.castlingDone = castlingDone;
@Override
public boolean canMove(Board board, Box start, Box end) {
 // we can't move the piece to a box that has a piece of the same cold
 if(end.getPiece().isWhite() == this.isWhite()) {
    return false:
 int x = Math.abs(start.getX() - end.getX());
 int y = Math.abs(start.getY() - end.getY());
 if(x + y == 1) {
   // check if this move will not result in king being attacked, if so
    return true;
 return this.isValidCastling(board, start, end);
private boolean isValidCastling(Board board, Box start, Box end) {
 if(this.isCastlingDone()) {
    return false:
  }
 // check for the white king castling
```

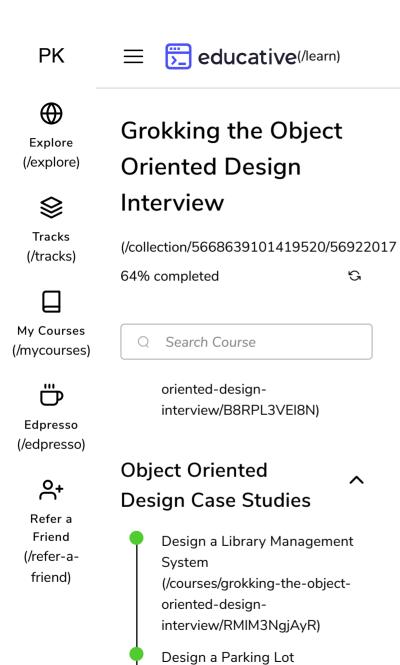
public class King extends Piece {



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if(this.isWhite()
     // confirm if white king moved to the correct ending box
       if (Math.abs(end.getY() - start.getY()) == 2) {
         // check if there the Rook is in the correct position
         // check if there is no piece between Rook and the King
         // check if the King or the Rook has not moved before
         // check if this move will not result in king being attacked
         //...
         this.setCastlingDone(true);
         return true:
       }
   } else {
     // check for the black king castling
     this.setCastlingDone(true);
     return true;
   return false;
 public boolean isCastlingMove(Box start, Box end) {
   // check if the starting and ending position are correct
 }
}
```

Knight: To encapsulate Knight as a chess piece:





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```
public class Knight extends Piece {
  public Knight(boolean white) {
    super(white);
  }

  @Override
  public boolean canMove(Board board, Box start, Box end) {

    // we can't move the piece to a box that has a piece of the same cold if(end.getPiece().isWhite() == this.isWhite()) {
    return false;
    }

    int x = Math.abs(start.getX() - end.getX());
    int y = Math.abs(start.getY() - end.getY());
    return x * y == 2;
    }
}
```

Board: To encapsulate a chess board:



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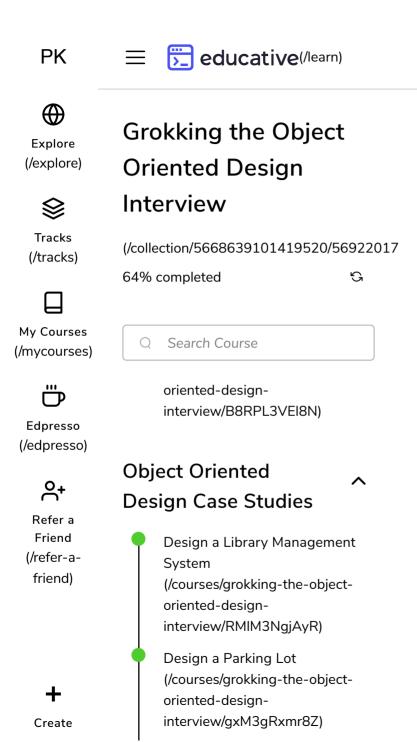
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```
public class Board {
  Box[][] boxes:
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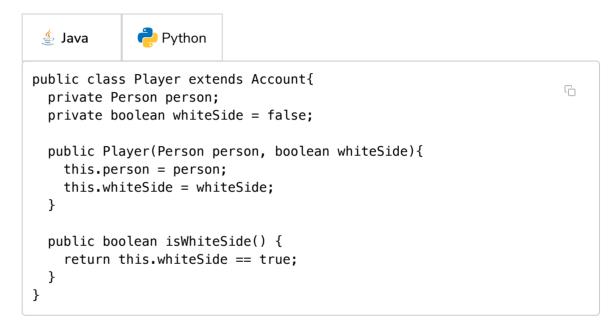




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public Board() {
 this.resetBoard():
}
public Box getBox(int x, int y) {
 if (x < 0 \mid | x > 7 \mid | y < 0 \mid | y > 7)  {
   throw new Exception("Index out of bound"):
 return boxes[x][y];
public void resetBoard() {
  // initialize white pieces
 boxes[0][0] = new Box(0, 0, new Rook(true));
 boxes[0][1] = new Box(0, 1, new Knight(true));
 boxes[0][2] = new Box(0, 2, new Bishop(true));
  //...
 boxes[1][0] = new Box(1, 0, new Pawn(true));
 boxes[1][1] = new Box(1, 1, new Pawn(true));
  //...
  // initialize black pieces
 boxes[7][0] = new Box(7, 0, new Rook(false));
 boxes[7][1] = new Box(7, 1, new Knight(false));
 boxes[7][2] = new Box(7, 2, new Bishop(false));
  //...
 boxes[6][0] = new Box(6, 0, new Pawn(false));
 boxes[6][1] = new Box(6, 1, new Pawn(false));
  //...
  // initialize remaining boxes without any piece
 for (int i = 2; i < 6; i++) {
   for (int j = 0; j < 8; j++) {
      boxes[i][j] = new Box(i, j, null);
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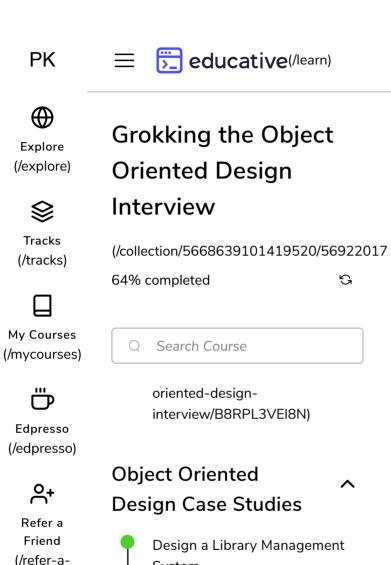


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Player: To encapsulate a chess player:
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Move: To encapsulate a chess move:





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```
public class Move {
  private Player player;
  private Box start;
  private Box end;
  private Piece pieceMoved;
  private Piece pieceKilled;
  private boolean castlingMove = false;
  public Move(Player player, Box start, Box end){
    this.player = player;
    this.start = start:
    this.end = end:
    this.pieceMoved = start.getPiece();
  public boolean isCastlingMove() {
    return this.castlingMove == true;
  }
  public void setCastlingMove(boolean castlingMove) {
    this.castlingMove = castlingMove;
}
```

Game: To encapsulate a chess game:



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```
public class Game {
 private Player[] players;
 private Board board;
 private Player currentTurn;
 private GameStatus status:
 private List<Move> movesPlayed;
 private void initialize(Player p1, Player p2) {
   players[0] = p1;
   players[1] = p2;
   board.resetBoard();
   if(p1.isWhiteSide()) {
     this.currentTurn = p1:
   } else {
     this.currentTurn = p2;
   movesPlayed.clear();
 public boolean isEnd() {
    return this.getStatus() != GameStatus.ACTIVE;
 public boolean getStatus() {
    return this.status;
  }
 public void setStatus(GameStatus status) {
    this.status = status;
  }
 public boolean playerMove(Player player, int startX, int startY, int en
     Box startBox = board.getBox(startX, startY);
     Box endBox = board.getBox(startY, endY);
     Move move = new Move(player, startBox, endBox);
     return this.makeMove(move, player);
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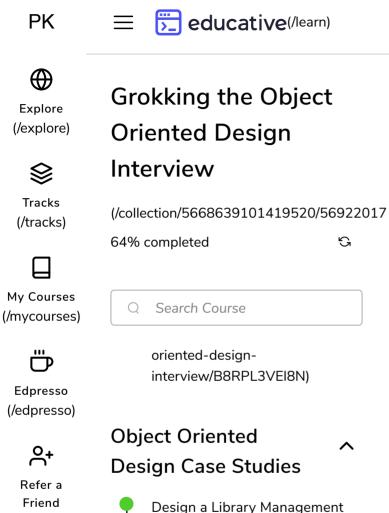
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```
private boolean makeMove(Move move, Player player) {
 Piece sourcePiece = move.getStart().getPiece();
  if (sourcePiece == null) {
    return false:
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 if (player != currentTurn) {
    return false:
  }
 if (sourcePiece.isWhite() != player.isWhiteSide()) {
    return false:
  }
 // valid move?
 if (!sourcePiece.canMove(board, move.getStart(), move.getEnd())){
    return false:
  // kill?
 Piece destPiece = move.getStart().getPiece();
  if (destPiece != null) {
    destPiece.setKilled(true):
   move.setPieceKilled(destPiece);
 // castling?
 if (sourcePiece != null && sourcePiece instanceof King
     && sourcePiece.isCastlingMove()) {
   move.setCastlingMove(true);
  // store the move
 movesPlayed.add(move);
 // move piece from the stat box to end box
 move.getEnd().setPiece(move.getStart().getPiece());
```



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move.getStart.setPiece(null);
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  if (destPiece != null && destPiece instanceof King) {
    if(player.isWhiteSide()) {
      this.setStatus(GameStatus.WHITE WIN);
    } else {
      this.setStatus(GameStatus.BLACK WIN);
  }
  // set the current turn to the other player
  if(this.currentTurn == players[0]) {
    this.currentTurn = players[1];
  } else {
    this.currentTurn = players[0];
  }
  return true:
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