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Game MVC (Class Diagram)

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Battleship Proposal

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GUI Definition

1.1. Classes specification

Main

BattleshipGame

properties : properties file

playGame(): loads properties.

initializes view, model, and controller

Controller class(es)

Controller

boardState: making calls to board model

historyState: making calls to history log

playerState: making calls to player state, tracking time or win/loss

validateGuess(x, y): asks model to validate player guess

changeDimension(dimension): asks model to change board dimen

playGame(): starts timer, starts game

changeLanguage(language): changes language of game

randomizeBoard(): randomizes ship locations on board

placeShip(x, y, isVertical): places ship at x,y coordinates either horizontally or vertically

Figure 1 Driver class and controller classes

View classes

Battleship View

GridPanel

LogPanel

OptionsPanel

initializeView(): initializes primary frame as well the other game panels to generate the full game window

LogPanel

HistoryState (used for getting updated history)

initializePanel(): creates panel with history log

update(): updates panel when model changes

OptionsPanel

OptionsController (sends updated options to controller)

initializePanel(): creates panel with options or buttons

GridPanel

BattleshipController (used to send data to controller)

BoardState (used to get data to display)

PlayerState (used to player data, health, name, etc)

initializePanel(): creates panel with grid of buttons for game board

update(): updates panel when model changes

Model classes

BoardState

gridDimension: dimension for one side of game board

grid: 2D array representing board grid with ship locations

ships: list of ships on the board

reset(): clears the grid, sets dimension to default

randomizeShipLocations(): creates and places ships randomly based on board dimension

resizeGrid(dimension): resizes grid to new dimension

getGrid(): returns current state of the board

validateGuess(x, y): validates grid guess by checking if ship exists

getMaxHitPoints(): gets the max number of hit points for the board

getTotalHitPoints(): gets the total number of hit points currently

ShipSquare

isAlive: status of if ship has been guessed or not

isPlayer: whether or not it belongs to (human) player

size: size of ship, used for displaying on grid (e.g. 4)

setAlive(status): changes status of ship square to alive/not alive

HistoryState (separate or keep with BoardState?)

history: list of events that have occurred

updateHistory(event): adds a new event to the history

PlayerState

name: name of player

wins: number of wins across all matches

losses: number of losses across all matches

timer: seconds game has been running

points: points during current game

addWin(): increments number of wins

addLoss(): increments number of losses

Figure 2 View and model classes

1.2. Class diagram

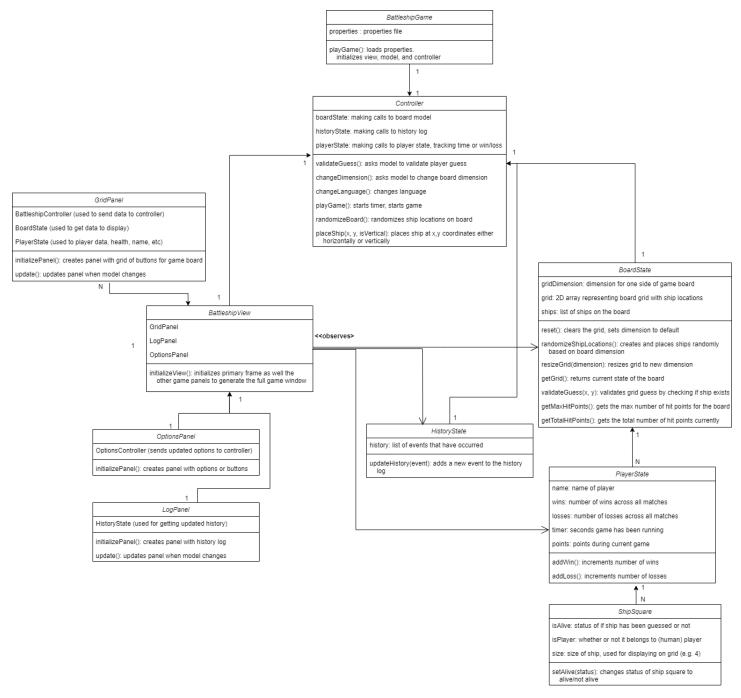


Figure 3 MVC model for Battleship

There is room for improvement in the organization of the MVC model. The view will use the Observer pattern to observe changes in the models, which will be observables. The view is split into four primary panels which include the player panel, the system player panel, the history panel, and the options panel.

Interactions with the view will pass data to the controller which will then be passed to the model. For example, GridPanel is composed of a grid of buttons and clicking one (in play mode) will send the necessary information to validate the ship location's guess such as the x and y coordinates and if it is the player's turn or not. If there is a change in the model, the model's state is set to changed and notifies it's observers so that they may update as needed.

Not all getters and setters were included in the class specification or the MVC model to prevent cluttering but the necessary ones were added. It should be noted that they will be included for the relevant class attributes when they need to be accessed or modified.