BBM 103 Introduction to Programming Laboratory 1 Assignment 4: Battle of Ships

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ANALYSIS:

We need to create a battle of ships game. In this game, we should take the players' input to locating, and moves. They are given in files. We should read them, and process them. Firstly, we need to read "Player1.txt", and "Player2.txt" to reach the placement of ships. After reading files, we need to save them to variables in order to use them later, but we should also check if there is any error, if placements are true, and if player entered enough argument in terminal. Secondly, we need to read "Player1.in", and "Player2.in" files to reach each player's moves. We should read moves one by one, and look if the move is valid. If it is valid, we need to look if there is a ship's part in the specified location. If there is one, we need to show there is one, if there is not, we also need to show there is not one. We need to show output in every round, and look if the game is ended. If the game is over we should show the final output, and we should finish the game.

DESIGN:

Thoughts:

In the beginning, we should check if the user entered enough argument. If not, we should print the error message. Then, we should look if we can open the player's arguments (If there is file with these names). If we can open each file, we can continue, else we should print the error message and stop the process. We finished to look if the files are true, now we should look if the information in these files are true, and process them.

First files to read, and process is "Player1.txt", and "Player2.txt". These files are placements of ships. We should read each line until a blank line, and save them to a list in order to use them later. Also, we should check if these files are correct to locating. After finishing these steps, we need four board. Two of them are players' hidden board, the other two of them are empty boards which shows current situation in each round.

Now, we should code the game. We should read moves, and process them in order. First, we need to use while loop to continue until one player's moves are ended. There is a possibility which is the move is not valid. In this case, we should pass to next move. So, we should save player's number of move. If the move is valid, we can process it, increase the number and pass to next player. If not, we can only increase the number, so it passes to the next move, but not next player. Also, we need to save the round number. We should define these variables outside of the while loop, and use them whenever they are needed in the while loop. By the way, we should define a variable to save which player's turn. In the beginning of game, the turn belongs to first player, so I defined a variable which indicates it is first player's turn.

Inside while loop, first we need to look whose turn it is. After that, we should print the current board. Then, we should read the next move of this player, and look if the move is valid. If valid, we should process it and pass to next player. Else, we should print the error message, and read the next move of this player. Inside second player move, we should check if the game is over. If the game is over, we should print final board which reveals hidden ship parts, and winner information, then break the while loop.

```
player two location = sys.argv[2]
player one input = sys.argv[3]
    first player locating = open(player one location, "r",
    unopened files.append(f"{player one location}")
    first player index = open(player one input, "r", encoding="utf-
    unopened_files.append(f"{player_one_input}")
    unopened files.append(f"{player two input}")
    if len(unopened files) == 1:
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is not reachable.\n")

output = ""

try:
    if len(unopened_files) > 1:
        output = ", ".join(unopened_files)
        raise IOError

except IOError:
    print(fFIOError: input files {output} are not reachable.")
    output_file.write(fFIOError: input files {output} are not
reachable.\n")

if len(unopened_files) == 0: # It means every file opened properly.
    try:
        reading_locations(first_player_locating)
            reading_locations(second_player_locating)
        except IndexError:
            print("You entered less index than expected.")
            output_file.write("You entered less index than expected.\n")
    except ValueError:
        print("You didn't enter valid input")
        output_file.write("You didn't enter valid input\n")

else:
        first_player_locating.close()
        second_player_locating.close()
        first_players_hidden_board =
create_board(player_one_location, "Player1")
        second_players_hidden_board =
create_board(player_two_location, "Player2")
        first_empty_board = create_empty_board()
        second_empty_board = create_empty_board()
        read moves()
```

Functions:

1- reading_locations function, delete_to_check function, save_ship_locations: reading_locations function reads the file, and saves the info into all_items variable as a nested list. Then uses nested for loop to reach each item in this nested list. Then goes to delete_to_check function with this item in the nested list. If the item is not an empty string, this means there should be a ship there. We should check the letter, and look its length. If there is a ship in a row, there should be same letter next to that letter in length of the ship's length. If there is a ship in a column there should be same letter under that letter in length of the ship's length. If the both case is valid,

we should check if there is same letter at the same row after the ship's length. If there is same letter, this means first letter belongs to vertical ship, and rest letters at the row is another same ship. If there is not, this means the ship is horizontal, and there is another ship under this letter. If the function finds a ship, it deletes the ship, and in order to use it later, it saves to a dictionary by using save_ship_locations function. Nested for loop continues until the items ended. Then, checks if there is any letter. If not, it means locating the ships is successful. Else, the locating is not valid, and raise an error.

```
def reading_locations(file name):
               if file name == first player locating:
                   player turn = "second player"
```

```
for each_list in all_items:
    for each_thing in each_list:
        if each_thing != "":
            raise ValueError
```

```
a = ship locations[player turn][letter + x]
ship locations[player turn][letter + x] = []
ship locations[player turn][letter + x].append([at row, at column])
```

2- create_board function: As I said upwards, we need 4 board. We can create hidden boards using this function according to the file. It reads each line, splits and create lists, appending each item of that list to hidden board. At the end we have a hidden board.

```
def create_board(file_name, player_num):
    """Creates a board according to the file."""
```

```
with open(file_name, "r", encoding="utf-8") as player_input:
    hidden_board_one = []
    hidden_board_two = []
    while True:
        each_line = player_input.readline()
        each_line = each_line.strip()
        if each_line == "":
            break
        each_item = each_line.split(";")
        if player_num == "Player1":
            hidden_board_one.append(each_item)
        elif player_num == "Player2":
            hidden_board_two.append(each_item)
    if player_num == "Player1":
        return hidden_board_one
    elif player_num == "Player2":
        return hidden_board_two
```

3- create_empty_board function: It creates an 10x10 empty board which is nested list. This function provides the rest 2 board.

```
def create_empty_board():
    """Creates an empty 10x10 board."""
    board_name = []
    for x in range(10):
        a_list = []
        for y in range(10):
            a_list.append("-")
        board_name.append(a_list)
    return board_name
```

4- read_moves function: First, we need to save the all the moves. We can reach them in .in files. After saving these info to variables, we should use while loop until game ends, or moves end. We are going to process according to player's turn, so first, we should check whose turn it is, if first player's turn, we need to do first player's process. After looking whose turn it is, we should look if the next move this player is valid with check_if_valid function.

```
def read_moves():
    """Reads every move, and process it."""
    first_file = open(player_one_input, "r", encoding="utf-8")
    second_file = open(player_two_input, "r", encoding="utf-8")
    first_move_inputs = first_file.readline()
    second_move_inputs = second_file.readline()
    first_player_moves = first_move_inputs[:-1].split(";")
```

```
output file.write("Battle of Ships Game\n")
   while first at num < len(first player moves) or second at num <</pre>
len(second player moves):
                first player turn = False
                        convert to final board("player two board")
                        output file.write("\nPlayer2 wins!\n")
                                                                       10
```

4-A) check_if_valid function: We should check if next move is valid. If we assign a variable, and change it if everything is okay, we can understand whether everything gone correctly or not.

```
def check if valid(player moves, at num):
       if "," not in player moves[at num]:
       each move = player moves[at num].split(",")
           output file.write("ValueError: Your first input should be an
```

If check_if_valid function returns "False", it means something went wrong, and we can't process the move, so we should skip to the next move. If we only increase the move number, it returns to while loop and continues with the next move, the turn doesn't skip to next move. If function returns "True" it means the move is valid. Before process the move, we should print the current output with show output function.

4-B) show_output, current_boards, remaining_ship_table functions: Firstly, show_output function looks whose turn it is, and shows the corresponding output. It prints first outputs. To show the rest outputs, it uses 2 other function. First of them is current_boards function. current_boards function prints the hidden board, and the other relative outputs. Second of them is remaining_ship_table function. We should print remained ships' outputs. In order to print it, we should use the number of remained ships, and their name. We will change them in the latter functions. With these info, we should print the output, and other relative outputs. With these functions, showing output problem is solved.

```
def show_output(player_turn):
    """Shows the output."""
    if player_turn == "first":
        print("\nPlayer1's move\n")
        print(f"Round : {round num} \t\t\t\tGrid Size: 10x10\n")
        output_file.write(f"\nPlayer1's move\n\nRound : {round_num}
\t\t\t\tGrid Size: 10x10\n\n")
        current_output = current_boards()
        print(current_output)
        output_file.write(f"{current_output}\n")
        remaining_ship_table(False)

elif player_turn == "second":
        print("\nPlayer2's move\n")
        print(f"Round : {round_num} \t\t\t\tGrid Size: 10x10\n")
        output_file.write(f"\nPlayer2's move\n\nRound : {round_num} \t\t\t\tGrid Size: 10x10\n")
        current_output = current_boards()
        print(current_output)
        output_file.write(f"{current_output}\n")
        remaining ship table(False)
```

```
elif player_turn == "final":
    print("\nFinal information\n")
    output_file.write("\nFinal information\n")
    current_output = current_boards()
    print(current_output)
    output_file.write(f"\n{current_output}\n")
    remaining_ship_table(True)
```

```
def current_boards():
    """Shows the current boards."""
    current_output = ""
    current_output += "Player1's Hidden Board\t\tPlayer2's Hidden Board\n"
    current_output += " "
    for x in range(10):
        current_output += " " + alphabet[x]
    current_output += "\t "
    for x in range(10):
        current_output += " " + alphabet[x]
    current_output += " " + alphabet[x]
    current_output += "\n"
    for y in range(10):
        first_per_line = " ".join(first_empty_board[y])
        second_per_line = " ".join(second_empty_board[y])
        current_output += f"{y + 1:<2}{first_per_line}\t {y + 1:<2}{second_per_line}\n"
    return_current_output</pre>
```

After showing output, we should process the move. We use the check location function to process.

4-C) check_location function: We have four boards. Two of them are hidden boards which have info of the hidden ships, and two of them are empty boards which shows the players' moves outputs. We check if there is a ship part in the place indicated by the other player's move. If there is one or not, we change empty board info in that location.

```
else:
    first_empty_board[row - 1][alphabet.index(column_alphabet)] = "0"
```

After process the move, we should look if a ship is sunk, and record remaining ship number. I defined ship_counts function to do these things.

4-D) ship_counts function: We used save_ship_locations to save the hidden ship parts upwards. We can use it now. We should check every ship's each location. If every location is hit, it means the ship is sunk. Then, we should decrease the number of that ship in the corresponding value in the remaining ship counts dictionary. Also, it should delete it from the dictionary which we saved the locations info in the save_ship_locations into it, which is ship_locations dictionary because if we don't delete it, it will decrease the remaining ship number again, and again.

Now, we should check if the game is ended. We should check it in second player's turn, because the round ends at the second player's turn. We can use the remaining ship numbers. If every ship is sunk, then there is not a ship remained. If the game is ended, we should convert the boards to final board which shows if there is remained hidden parts. To do this, I defined the convert_to_final_board function.

4-E) convert_to_final_board function: If there is still a hidden part, it means not all the ships is sunk. We can use ship_locations dictionary to reach remained ship(s). If there is a ship in that dictionary, it reveals the letter in that location.

After converting to the final board, we should print the winner info, and final board. Finally, the game is ended.

Programmer's Catalogue:

The time I spent:

Analyzing: 1 hour

Designing: 3 hour

Implementing: 4 hour

Testing, and debugging: 6 hour

Reporting: 3 hour

I didn't do anything manually, so if you change anything in the program the program still can be used.

The function descriptions:

reading_files function: This function looks if ship locating done successfully.

delete_to_check function: This function deletes each ship until the end, and looks if there is any ship left. If there is no ship left, ship locating done successfully.

save_ship_locations function: This function saves the ship locations to use them later.

create_board function: Creates a board according to the file.

create_empty_board function: Creates an empty 10x10 board.

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read_moves function: Reads every move, and process it.

check if valid function: Checks if move is valid.

show_output function: Shows the output.

current_boards function: Shows the current boards.

remaining_ship_table: Shows the remained ship table.

check_location function: Shows if there is a ship part in the specified location.

ship_counts function: Looks if a ship is sunk, and keeps the number of remained ship.

convert_to_final function: This function reveals hidden ship parts.

User's catalogue:

This program is battle of ships game. Firstly, you should locate your ships in the .text files, but be aware, you should locate correctly to go to next step. The ships board is like this:

No.	Class of ship	Size	Count	Label
1	Carrier	5	1	ccccc
2	Battleship	4	2	BBBB
3	Destroyer	3	1	DDD
4	Submarine	3	1	SSS
5	Patrol Boat	2	4	PP

You should locate according to that table. You should use first letter of ships to show you are locating that location, and in order to separate each location you should use ";" sign.

If you located the ships successfully, now you should enter your moves to .in files. You should be careful about your each move. Move should be like this: first, an integer to indicate the row, "," sign, a 18

letter to indicate the column, between each move ";" sign. If the move is not valid, the game will pass to your next move. It keeps going until the game is over. Then is prints final board, and the game ends.