Konobi

Software Development Methods project

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What tools did we use?

- Java 15
- Gradle
- TravisCI
- Git & GitHub

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The game is won by the first player who connects the two opposite edges of the board.

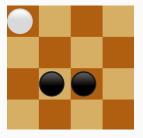
• Black: top \leftrightarrow bottom

• White: left \leftrightarrow right

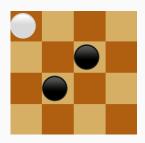
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Connections

Two like-colored stones are:



Strongly connected



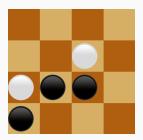
Weakly connected

A chain is a set of connected stones

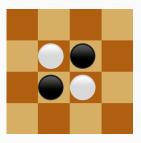
Placement rules

Not all moves are allowed:

- Weak connections to a certain stone are illegal unless it is impossible to make a placement that is both strongly connected to that stone and not weakly connected to another
- Crosscut placements are always illegal



Legal weak connection



Crosscut placement

Additional rules

- **Pie rule**: at his first move, white can decide to switch colors with black instead of making a move
- Mandatory pass: if a player cannot make a move (because of placement restrictions), he has to pass

Basic entities

Cell

Cell represents the basic building block of the board

- Position position
- Color color
- boolean isOccupied

When a cell is constructed it is empty: no color is associated to it and isOccupied=False, when a stone is placed in the cell a color is set and isOccupied=True.

Cell: development history

- From value NONE in enum Color to field isOccupied in class Cell
- Removed Stone data class

Board

A Board is represented by a set of Cells and extends HashSet<Cell> by overriding the dimension() method

- Usage of streams
- Position as field of Cell

The constructor of Board creates a set of empty cells

Connections among cells

Rules

Rule

Once provided all methods related to strong and weak connection into Board our next step was to provide a way to check whether a move is valid or not and to announce whether there is a chain.

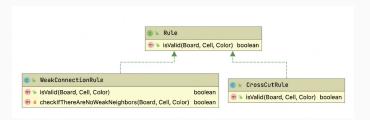
Initially a Rules class was implemented...

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public class Rules {
Board board;
public Rules(Board board) {
    this.board = board;
private boolean isLegalWeakConnectionPlacement(Cell cell) {
    Set<Cell> weakNeighbors = board.weakConnectionsOf(cell);
    Color stoneColor = cell.getColor();
    cell.reset();
    boolean condition = weakNeighbors.stream()
                                      .map(c->c.orthogonalNeighborsIn(board.cells))
                                     .anvMatch(s->s.stream()
                                                   .filter(c->!c.isOccupied())
                                                    .anvMatch(c->checkIfThereAreNoWeakNeighbors(c, stoneColor)));
    board.placeStone(cell.getPosition(), stoneColor);
    return !condition:
private boolean checkIfThereAreNoWeakNeighbors(Cell cell, Color stoneColor){
    board.placeStone(cell.getPosition(), stoneColor);
    Set<Cell> weakConnectionsOfCell = board.weakConnectionsOf(cell);
    cell.reset():
    return weakConnectionsOfCell.isEmptv():
private boolean isCrosscutPlacement(Cell cell) {
    Set<Cell> weakNeighbors = board.weakConnectionsOf(cell);
    Color stoneColor = cell.getColor();
    return weakNeighbors.stream()
                         .map(c->c.commonOrthogonalNeighborsWith(cell, board.cells))
                         .anvMatch(s->s.stream()
                                       .allMatch(c->c.isOccupied() && c.getColor()==stoneColor.oppositeColor()));
```

Rule

Later we realized that there would be the possibility to abstract...



For a given Board, the isValid method will check if it is legal to place a stone of a given Color in the Cell.

Having a Rule interface will allow the possibility to add new rules over the possible player's move.

Referee

Once implemented the logic of a valid move in the cell in Rules package our aim was to encapsulate all methods that could announce:

- a given move is legal w.r.t WeakConnectionRule and CrossCutRule
- the presence of a chain (i.e. end of the game)

Referee

