

checkerboard

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1 '''
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6 '''
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8 from basicsearch_lib.board import Board
9 from copy import copy, deepcopy
10 import operator
11
12 class CheckerBoard(Board):
13     '''
14     CheckerBoard - Class for representing a checkerboard
15     and making legal moves.
16
17     All references to players in that are accessible externally to this
18     class should use the pawn names.
19
20     Note that this implementation is designed for readability, not
21     efficiency. There are many changes that could be made to
22     improve the speed of this class. As an example, the board could
23     be represented as a single list of 32 positions.
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25     You should not be making changes to the design for this
26     assignment, but if you want to have fun later, redesigning
27     it for efficiency could be fun and improve the number of plys
28     that can be efficiently searched.
29
30     Board notation:
31     Board is arranged as with black pieces on top, red pieces on bottom
32     Positions are denoted (row, column).
33     Examples form the initial board setup before play begins
34         left-most red pawn in the row closest to the red player: (7,0)
35         right-most black pawn farthest from the red player: (0,7)
36     Note that playable columns alternate. In row 0, they are 1, 3, 5, 7
37     and in row 1 they are 0, 2, 4, 6 making a modulo 2 counting scheme
38     useful for determining which columns are valid.
39
40     Initial board:
41         0  1  2  3  4  5  6  7
42     0  .  b  .  b  .  b  .  b
43     1  b  .  b  .  b  .  b  .
44     2  .  b  .  b  .  b  .  b
45     3  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .
46     4  .  .  .  .  .  .  .  .
47     5  r  .  r  .  r  .  r  .
48     6  .  r  .  r  .  r  .  r
49     7  r  .  r  .  r  .  r  .
50     '''
51
52     # class variables and methods -----
53
54     # Lists for pawn, king, and player checks
55     pawns = ['r', 'b'] # red and black pawns
56     kings = ['R', 'B'] # red and black kings
57     players = [['r', 'R'], ['b', 'B']] # pieces for each player
58
59     # Possible moves that will need to be validated for any position

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60 # pawns[0] red player moves towards top of board (row 0)
61 # pawns[1] black player moves towards bottom of board (row N)
62 pawnmoves = {pawns[0] : [ (-1, -1), (-1, 1)],
63               pawns[1] : [ (1, -1), (1, 1)]}
64 # kings can move forwards and backwards
65 kingmoves = [ (-1, 1), (1, 1), (-1, -1), (1, -1) ]
66
67
68 step = 2 # Number of steps between valid columns
69
70 # Number of moves for smallest tour
71 # Tours end in the place they started and can only be done
72 # by kings
73 shortest_tour = 4
74
75 # class methods - useful for evaluation methods
76 @classmethod
77 def piece_types(cls, player):
78     """piece_types - Return pawn and king values for specified player
79     e.g. piece_types('r') returns ['r', 'R']
80     """
81
82     try:
83         index = cls.pawns.index(player)
84     except ValueError:
85         raise ValueError("No such player")
86
87     return cls.players[index]
88
89 @classmethod
90 def other_player(cls, player):
91     """other_player(player) - Return other player pawn based on a pawn"""
92     try:
93         index = cls.pawns.index(player)
94     except ValueError:
95         raise ValueError("No such player")
96
97     return cls.pawns[(index + 1) % 2]
98
99 @classmethod
100 def ispawn(cls, piece):
101     """True if piece is a pawn"""
102     return piece in cls.pawns
103
104 @classmethod
105 def isking(cls, piece):
106     """True if piece is a king"""
107     return piece in cls.kings
108
109 @classmethod
110 def isplayer(cls, player, piece):
111     """isplayer - Does a piece belong to a player.
112     Given a player name (value of cls.pawns r/b unless changed)
113     and a piece from a board, does this piece belong to the
114     specified player?
115     Example: isplayer('r', 'R') returns True
116             isplayer('r', None) returns False
117             isplayer('r', 'b') returns False
118     """

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120     try:
121         index = cls.pawns.index(player)
122     except ValueError:
123         raise ValueError("No such player")
124
125     return piece in cls.players[index]
126
127 @classmethod
128 def playeridx(cls, player):
129     "playeridx(player) - Give idx of player based on pawn name"
130
131     try:
132         pidx = cls.pawns.index(player)
133     except ValueError:
134         raise ValueError("Unknown player")
135     return pidx
136
137 @classmethod
138 def identifypiece(cls, piece):
139     """identifypiece(piece)
140     Returns a tuple indicating (playeridx, kingpred)
141     Used to find the player index of a piece and whether the piece
142     is a king (True) or pawn (False)
143     e.g. identifypiece('b') returns (1,False)
144     """
145
146     try:
147         # Check if it is a pawn and note index
148         idx = cls.pawns.index(piece)
149         kingP = False # king predicate - not a king
150     except ValueError:
151         # Similar for king
152         try:
153             idx = cls.kings.index(piece)
154             kingP = True
155         except ValueError:
156             raise ValueError("Unknown piece type")
157
158     return (idx, kingP)
159
160
161 # instance methods -----
162
163 def __init__(self):
164     "CheckerBoard - Create a new checkerboard"
165
166     # Create the board
167     self.edgesize = 8 # Number of squares per edge
168     # Checkers only move on the dark squares, so game space
169     # is only half as many states. Note the number of valid
170     # locations per row.
171     self.locations_per_row = int(self.edgesize / self.step)
172
173     super(CheckerBoard, self).__init__(self.edgesize, self.edgesize,
174                                         displaycol=3)
175
176     # for each row, indicate whether the squares that pieces move
177     # in are offset by 0 or 1.
178     # This lets us know that in some rows columns are 0, 2, 4, ...

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179     # and in others they are (0, 2, 4, ...)+1 = (1, 3, 5, 7, ...
180     # We store a 0 or 1 offset value for each row.
181     self.coloffset = [(r + 1) % self.step for r in range(self.edgesize)]
182
183     rowpieces = 3 # Initial rows of checkers for each side
184
185     # rows in which the players are kinged
186     self.kingrows = [0, self.edgesize - 1]
187
188     # Valid spaces are offset in each row. At top left of board
189     # row 0, col 0, the column offset is 0 before we reach the first
190     # valid location.
191     # In the next row, we need to move one to the right, e.g. [1,1]
192     # before we reach a valid checker position. Row three is back
193     # to an offset of 0: [2, 0]
194     # Establish a set of offsets that indicate whether column 0 or 1
195     # is the first valid position
196
197     self.pawnsN = [0, 0] # Number remaining pawns, indexed by player
198     self.kingsN = [0, 0] # Number remaining kings
199     for row in range(self.rows):
200         # Place pawns in this row?
201         if row < rowpieces or row >= self.rows - rowpieces:
202             if row < rowpieces:
203                 playeridx = 1
204             else:
205                 playeridx = 0
206             for col in range(self.locations_per_row):
207                 self.place(row, col * self.step + self.coloffset[row],
208                             self.pawns[playeridx])
209                 self.pawnsN[playeridx] += 1
210             # Place spaces in illegal positions to make board more readable
211             for col in range(self.locations_per_row):
212                 self.board[row][col * self.step+(self.coloffset[row]+1)%2]=' '
213
214     self.movecount = 0
215     # Counters for draw detection
216
217     # Note that World Checker/Draughts Federation (WCDF) rules indicate that
218     # reaching the same configuration board configuration 3 times in a row
219     # is also a draw, but this is not implemented.
220
221     # Used for detecting draws which are defined as N moves without
222     # advancing a pawn AND no captures
223     self.drawthreshN = 40
224     self.lastcapture = 0 # move # of last capture
225     self.lastpawnadvance = 0 # move number of last pawn advance
226
227     def disttoking(self, player, row):
228         "disttoking - how many rows from king position for player given row"
229
230         # find row offset of any legal move for a pawn,
231         # that is, which way does the pawn move?
232         direction = self.pawnmoves[player][0][0]
233         if direction < 0:
234             distance = row # red
235         else:
236             distance = self.rows - 1 - row # black

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237         checkerboard
238         return distance
239     def get_pawnsN(self):
240         "get_pawnsN - Return counts of pawns"
241         return self.pawnsN
242
243     def get_kingsN(self):
244         "get_kingsN - Return counts of kings"
245         return self.kingsN
246
247     def isempty(self, row, col):
248         "isempty - Is the specified space empty?"
249         return self.board[row][col] == None
250
251     def clearboard(self):
252         """clearboard - remove all pieces
253         Useful for building specific board configurations
254         WARNING: Piece counts will be incorrect after calling
255         this. Call update_counts() to correct after placing new pieces
256         """
257
258         # Iterate over every piece and remove it
259         for (r, c, piece) in self:
260             self.place(r, c, None)
261
262     def update_counts(self):
263         """update_counts - When mucking around with the board, the counts
264         of pawns and kings may be corrupted. This method updates them. Valid
265         moves will not cause any problems, this is mainly for testing.
266         """
267         self.pawnsN = [0, 0]
268         self.kingsN = [0, 0]
269
270         # Iterate through pieces
271         for (_r, _c, piece) in self:
272             # Find player index and piece type
273             (playerId, kingP) = self.identifypiece(piece)
274             # update appropriate player piece count
275             if kingP:
276                 self.kingsN[playerId] += 1
277             else:
278                 self.pawnsN[playerId] += 1
279
280     def place(self, row, col, piece):
281         "place(row, col, piece) - put a piece on the board"
282
283         # Overrides parent as some spaces are illegal
284         if col < 0 or col > self.cols or row < 0 or row > self.rows:
285             raise ValueError('Bad row or column')
286         if (col + self.coloffset[row]) % self.step == 1:
287             if self.coloffset[row]:
288                 raise ValueError("Column must be odd for row %d" % (row))
289             else:
290                 raise ValueError("Column must be even for row %d" % (row))
291         self.board[row][col] = piece
292
293     def is_terminal(self):
294         """is_terminal - check if game over
295         Returns tuple (terminal, winner)

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301
302 terminal - True implies game over
303 winner - only applicable if terminal is true
304 indicates winner by player color or None for draw
305 """
306
307 # Add the pawns and kings together
308 piececounts = list(map(operator.add, self.pawnsN, self.kingsN))
309 if not piececounts[0]:
310     winner = self.pawns[1]
311     terminal = True
312 elif not piececounts[1]:
313     winner = self.pawns[0]
314     terminal = True
315 else:
316     winner = None
317     # Check for draws
318     terminal = \
319         self.movecount - self.lastpawnadvance >= self.drawthreshN or \
320         self.movecount - self.lastcapture >= self.drawthreshN
321
322 return (terminal, winner)
323
324 def get_actions(self, player):
325     """Return actions for specified player, CheckerBoard.pawns[i]
326     Valid actions are lists of the following form:
327
328     [move1, move2, move3, ..., moveN] where each move consists of
329     a list of two or more tuples
330
331     The first tuple represents the original position (row, col) of
332     the piece, e.g. (5,4)
333
334     A second tuple is either a simple move represented as (row, col) or
335     a capture which is a 3-tuple with the third element being a
336     tuple indicating the captured piece.
337
338     Examples:
339     possible opening move by player at bottom of board
340
341     0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
342     0 . b . b . b . b
343     1 b . b . b . b .
344     2 . b . b . b . b
345     3 . . . . . . .
346     4 . . . . . . .
347     5 r . r . r . r .
348     6 . r . r . r . r
349     7 r . r . r . r .
350
351     action
352     [(5,4),(4,3)]
353     results in
354
355     0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
356     0 . b . b . b . b
357     1 b . b . b . b .
358     2 . b . . . . . b
359     3 . . . . . b .
360     4 . . . b . . .
361
362     captures are mandatory. If any captures exist, normally valid
363     non-capture move actions will not be returned.
364
365     given the following board position, red player captures are as
366     follows:
367
368     0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
369     0 . b . b . b . b
370     1 b . b . b . b .
371     2 . b . . . . . b
372     3 . . . . . b .
373     4 . . . b . . .
374
375     <r> red player candidate moves are shown

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356 5 r . <r> . <r> . . . with <> to make it easier to see
357 6 . r . r . r . r
358 7 r . r . r . r .
359 [[(4, 7), (2, 5, (3, 6))],
360 [(5, 2), (3, 4, (4, 3))],
361 [(5, 4), (3, 2, (4, 3))]]
362
363 Example of multiple jump moves by red player. As per World Checkers
364 Draughts Federation Rules, once started a multiple jump move must
365 be made to completion.
366 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
367 0 . b . b . b . b
368 1 b . r . b . . .
369 2 . r . . . b . b
370 3 . . . . . . .
371 4 . . . r . b . .
372 5 . . . . . <r> .
373 6 . r . r . r . r
374 7 r . . . r . . .
375 [[(5, 6), (3, 4, (4, 5)), (1, 6, (2, 5))]]
376 Note that had multiple capture moves been possible, it is not mandatory
377 to take the one with the most jumps
378 ""
379
380 try:
381     pidx = self.pawns.index(player)
382 except ValueError:
383     raise ValueError("Unknown player")
384
385 # If we see any captures along the way, we will stop looking
386 # for moves that do not capture as they will be filtered out
387 # at the end.
388 moves = []
389
390 # Scan each square
391 for r in range(self.rows):
392     for c in range(self.coloffset[r], self.cols, self.step):
393         piece = self.board[r][c]
394         # If square contains pawn/king of player who will be moving
395         if piece in self.players[pidx]:
396             # Determine types of moves that can be made
397             if piece == self.pawns[pidx]:
398                 movepaths = self.pawnmoves[player]
399             else:
400                 movepaths = self.kingmoves
401             # Generate moves based on possible directions
402             newmoves = self.genmoves(r, c, movepaths, pidx)
403             moves.extend(newmoves)
404
405 # Check if any captures are possible
406 # If so, remove all non-capture moves as player must make
407 # a capture move if one is available.
408 captureP = False # capture predicate
409 for a in moves:
410     # each action is
411     # [(rsrc, csrc), (rdst, cdst)] (non-capture case)
412     # or [(rsrc, csrc), (rdst, cdst, (rcapture, ccapture), ...)]
413     captureP = len(a[1]) > 2
414     if captureP:

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415         break
416     if captureP:
417         # Remove non capture moves as player must capture if possible
418         # We only need to check the first destination to see if it
419         # has a capture tuple after the destination row and column
420         moves = [m for m in moves if len(m[1]) > 2]
421
422     return moves
423
424     def __iter__(self):
425         """iter - Board iterator
426         Returns (r, c, piece) for non empty spaces.
427         Might be helpful for board evaluation
428         """
429         for r in range(self.rows):
430             for c in range(self.coloffset[r], self.cols, self.step):
431                 if self.board[r][c]:
432                     yield (r, c, self.board[r][c])
433
434     def move(self, move, validate=[], verbose=False):
435         """move - Apply a move and return a new board
436         move should be a list of the format described in get_actions
437         It is assumed that the move is valid unless validate is set to a
438         list of moves (presumably produced by get_actions(), get_actions is
439         not called as this has probably already been computed.
440         """
441
442         if validate:
443             if move not in validate:
444                 raise ValueError("Invalid move")
445
446         # Only need to copy the board and counter arrays
447         # Everything else is static and can be a shallow copy
448         newboard = copy(self)
449         newboard.pawnsN = copy(self.pawnsN)
450         newboard.kingsN = copy(self.kingsN)
451         newboard.board = deepcopy(self.board)
452         newboard.movecount += 1 # Record new move
453
454         (firsttr, firstc) = (lastr, lastc) = move[0]
455         piece = self.get(lastr, lastc)
456         oldpiece = piece # Just in case we change and want to print
457         newboard.place(lastr, lastc, None) # Remove from current position
458
459         captures = 0 # number of captures for verbose output and draw detection
460         # Loop through move sequence, removing any
461         # captured pieces as we go along
462         for item in move[1:]:
463             if len(item) > 2:
464                 # Capture, remove captured piece
465                 captures = captures + 1
466                 posn = item[2] # captured position
467                 capturedpiece = newboard.get(posn[0], posn[1])
468
469                 # Remove the piece
470                 newboard.place(posn[0], posn[1], None)
471
472                 # Decrement count for captured piece

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473         (pieceidx, kingP) = newboard.identifypiece(capturedpiece)
474         if kingP:
475             newboard.kingsN[pieceidx] -= 1
476         else:
477             newboard.pawnsN[pieceidx] -= 1
478
479         # update last known location of moving piece, might happen
480         # more than once in a multiple jump move
481         # In any case, last row and column will represent the final
482         # position of the piece when we finish the loop
483         (lastr, lastc) = item[0:2]
484
485     if lastr == 0 or lastr + 1 == self.rows:
486         # At end, do we need to crown a pawn?
487         try:
488             # find the appropriate pawn type and crown it
489             playeridx = self.pawns.index(piece)
490             piece = self.players[playeridx][1] # king
491         except ValueError:
492             pass # not a pawn
493
494     # Put the piece as the last location of the move sequence
495     newboard.place(lastr, lastc, piece)
496
497     if captures:
498         # Captured something, note the move for draw detection
499         newboard.lastcapture = newboard.movecount
500
501     if self.ispawn(oldpiece):
502         # Advanced a pawn, note move number for draw detection
503         newboard.lastpawnadvance = newboard.movecount
504         if oldpiece != piece:
505             # Kinged, update counts
506             (pieceidx, kingP) = newboard.identifypiece(oldpiece)
507             newboard.pawnsN[pieceidx] -= 1
508             newboard.kingsN[pieceidx] += 1
509
510     if verbose:
511         # Show the move if folks are interested...
512         print()
513         print("Move %s from " % (oldpiece), (firststr, firstc))
514         print(self)
515         print("move: ", end=' ')
516         if captures > 0:
517             print("captures %d, " % (captures), end=' ')
518         if oldpiece != piece:
519             print("kinged, ")
520         print()
521         print(newboard)
522
523     return newboard
524
525 def onboard(self, r, c):
526     "onboard - Specified row and column on the board?"
527     return r >= 0 and r < self.rows and c >= 0 and c < self.cols
528
529 def genmoves(self, r, c, movepaths, playeridx):
530     "genmoves - Generate moves from a specific position
531     r,c - position

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533         movepaths - list of possible offsets (move directions) for piece
534             e.g. for kings: [ (-1, 1), (1, 1), (-1, -1), (1, -1) ]
535             pawns will have a subset of this moving forward or backward
536         player - current player 0/1
537
538         Returns list of possible moves (see get_actions) and captures
539         """
540
541         actions = self.__movehelper(r, c, movepaths, playeridx, [])
542         return actions
543
544
545     def __movehelper(self, r, c, movepaths, playeridx, history):
546         """__movehelper - Helper finds possible moves from a given position.
547         Helper function for genmoves
548         r,c - position
549         movepaths - list of possible offsets for piece
550         playeridx - current playeridx 0/1
551         history - list of moves made along a path - [] on first call
552         Returns list of possible moves (see get_actions) and captures
553         which indicates if a capture has been produced by the moves
554         generated here or was already true.
555
556         This function is called recursively to track move paths
557         """
558
559         otherplayer = (playeridx + 1) % 2
560         actions = []
561         for m in movepaths:
562             rmove = r + m[0]
563             cmove = c + m[1]
564             # move only valid if it will be on the board
565             if self.onboard(rmove, cmove):
566
567                 # check if blocked by opposing player, might be able to jump
568                 if self.board[rmove][cmove] in self.players[otherplayer]:
569                     # Blocked See if capture possible by moving one more time
570                     rjump = rmove + m[0]
571                     cjump = cmove + m[1]
572                     if self.onboard(rjump, cjump) and \
573                         self.__valid_capture((rmove, cmove), (rjump, cjump),
574                                             history):
575                         # Note jump
576                         if history:
577                             # append to a copy of previous jumps so far
578                             # We need to copy history as move sequences
579                             # can branch, resulting in different moves
580                             # with a common past.
581                             capture = copy(history)
582                             capture.append((rjump, cjump, (rmove, cmove)))
583                         else:
584                             # first jump
585                             capture = [(r, c), (rjump, cjump, (rmove, cmove))]
586
587                 # Crown a king?
588                 # As pawns can only move forward, just look if we have
589                 # moved to the first or last row.
590                 if rjump == 0 or rjump == self.rows:

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592         # Piece has moved onto a first or last row
593         # If this is a pawn, we stop even if there
594         # is another capture available
595
596         # Was this a pawn?
597         (rstart, cstart) = (capture[0][0], capture[0][1])
598         if self.get(rstart, cstart) == self.pawns[playeridx]:
599             # Can't move any more
600             return [capture]
601
602         # We can make this move, but if we can continue
603         # to capture, we are obligated to do so.
604         # See if we can continue.
605         # If no more moves are possible, will simply
606         # return the current move as one possible action
607         #
608         # Note: If we wanted to not force subsequent
609         # available jumps after the first one, we could
610         # append the current capture move, and remove the
611         # code that returns [history] when there are no
612         # available actions.
613         more = self.__movehelper(rjump, cjump, movepaths,
614                                 playeridx, capture)
615         for m in more:
616             actions.append(m)
617
618         # Regular move possible if not blocked and no history
619         # of captures
620         elif not self.board[rmove][cmove] and not history:
621             actions.append([(r, c), (rmove, cmove)])
622
623     if history and not actions:
624         # One or more captures have been made, but when we called
625         # __movehelper to see if there were any more, there were
626         # no valid actions. We set actions to be a list containing
627         # the history that was required to arrive here.
628         actions = [history]
629
630     return actions
631
632 def __valid_capture(self, capturedpiece, moveto, history):
633     """__valid_capture
634         capturedpiece - (r,c) tuple to be captured
635         moveto - position to which we will jump
636         history - previous jumps
637
638         already_captured - Prevent taking a piece more than once
639         helper function for __movehelper
640     """
641
642     valid = True # Until we learn otherwise
643
644     # Verify that there's no piece at the destination.
645     # If there is a piece, check to see if it was the starting
646     # position as it is possible to do a jump tour
647     if self.board[moveto[0]][moveto[1]]:
648         # Something's there. If it's the starting piece, that's okay,
649         # otherwise not good. Don't bother checking if there are

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650     # not enough moves.
651     if len(history) >= self.shortest_tour:
652         valid = history[0] == moveto
653     else:
654         valid = False
655
656     if valid and len(history) > 1:
657         for move in history[1:]:
658             # Anything in the history is a capture as __movehelper
659             # recursively builds the history on multi-jump moves.
660             # All capture nodes consist of a 3-tuple:
661             # (newrow, newcol, (capturedrow, capturedcol))
662             # First position in history is the starting one, anything
663             # afterwards is a capture move.
664
665             # If we already captured this piece, we cannot capture
666             # it again.
667             if move[2] == capturedpiece:
668                 valid = False
669
670     return valid
671
672 def recount_pieces(self):
673     """recount_pieces() - Recount pawns and kings
674     This utility function is not normally needed. However, when
675     configuration custom boards where pieces are manually placed
676     (e.g. in boardlibrary), the board counts will not longer be accurate.
677     This resets the counters based on the current configuration.
678     """
679     self.pawnsN = [0, 0]
680     self.kingsN = [0, 0]
681     for (r, c, piece) in self:
682         (playeridx, kingP) = self.identifypiece(piece)
683         if kingP:
684             self.kingsN[playeridx] += 1
685         else:
686             self.pawnsN[playeridx] += 1
687
688
689
690

```