

# PARADUX Design

## Game rules

Paradux is a two player game where the objective is to align 4 tokens of your colour in a straight line (Can be Diagonally, horizontally, and vertically). The game starts with placing tokens around the perimeter of the hexagonal board (alternating colours/tokens) and the remaining tokens in the middle of the board as shown in the picture. The players or in this case the program will decide who will go first.

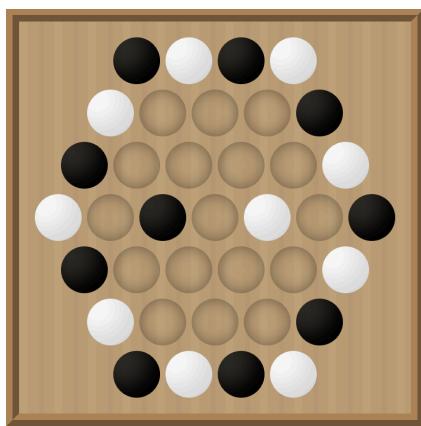
On each turn, a player selects one of their own tokens and one adjacent opponent player token. You cannot pick two of your tokens! The tokens chosen are moved as a single unit by one space in any horizontal, vertical or diagonal direction. The player can also choose to swap the tokens places as well which would account as a move as well.

Some constraints are that a player cannot move a single token by itself, cannot move two of the same token, or make a move that reverses the previous turn.

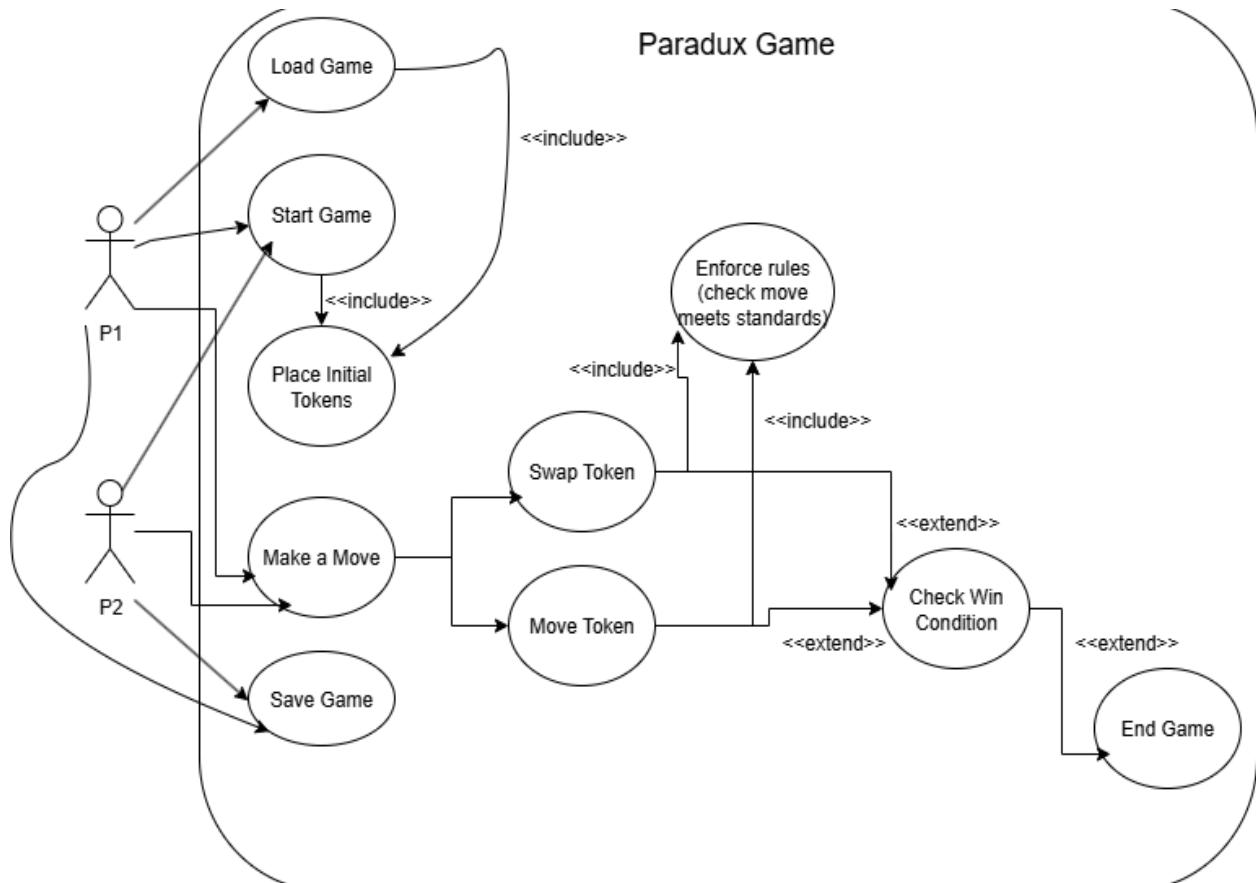
The game will continue, with players doing alternate turns until one player can successfully line up four tokens vertically, horizontally, or diagonally, thereby winning the game.

Equipment: Hexagonal Board, and two sets of 10 tokens (different colours)

You can set the board up in these two options:



# Use Case Diagram



# Use Cases

## UC1: Start Game

**Primary actor:** *Player 1, Player 2*

**Purpose:** *Starting a new Paradux game*

**Stakeholders and interests:** Players (want a fair start), The actual game and board (need to be initialised)

**Preconditions:** Players are ready

**Postconditions:** Turns are decided, board is initialised, and game is started.

**Initiating event:** A player initiates start game, other player agrees

**Main flow:**

1. *Players agree to start the game*
2. *Player 1 goes first*
3. The game has started, so the system sets the game state “in progress”
4. UC2 invoked.

**Alternate flows (extensions):**

2a. *Players disagree to start the game*

2b. Don't do coin toss, don't place tokens and end the use case here.

## UC2: Place Starting Tokens

**Primary actor:** *Game System*

**Purpose:** *Set up paradux game board by placing tokens according to the official rules*

**Stakeholders and interests:** Players (want a fair start), The actual game board/tokens

**Preconditions:** UC1

**Postconditions:** All starting tokens are placed, board is ready for first move.

**Initiating event:** Board is initialised

**Main flow:**

1. *System loads initial board layout*
2. *Tokens are placed in their starting positions*
3. System confirms the setup

**Alternate flows (extensions):**

2a. *Failed to load initial board layout*

2b. End game.

## UC3: Make Move

**Primary actor:** *Current Player*

**Purpose:** *move pieces into winning position.*

**Stakeholders and interests:** *Player 1, Player 2*

**Preconditions:** *Tokens placed and tokens selected for the move.*

**Postconditions:** *If move is valid, then the board gets updated with the tokens in the new spots/coordinates.*

**Initiating event:** *Start of game or a switch of turns*

**Main flow:**

1. Player makes a move
2. System validates the move
3. The board is updated to reflect the move

**Alternate flows (extensions):**

1. Player makes move
2. System invalidates the move
3. The move is disallowed.

## UC4: Enforce Game Rules (Check that move meets standards)

**Primary actor:** *Game System*

**Purpose:** Check that the requested action is legal and allowed within Paradux ruleset

**Stakeholders and interests:** Player 1, Player 2

**Preconditions:** A move action or a swap action needs verification

**Postconditions:** The Game System will allow the swap or move to occur

**Initiating event:** Player 1 or Player 2 provided a move or swap input

**Main flow:**

1. Player provides a move or swap action
2. System passes input to UC6 to validate input
3. System allows action to occur

**Alternate flows (extensions):**

1. Player provides a move or swap action
2. System passes input to UC6 to validate input
3. System doesn't allow action to occur

## UC5: Check win condition

**Primary actor:** *Player 1, Player 2*

**Purpose:** *To conclude if the win state has been achieved by a player.*

**Stakeholders and interests:** *Player 1 and Player 2*

**Preconditions:** *Start of game, Move of tokens.*

**Postconditions:** *Winner declared, Game is ended.*

**Initiating event:** *Move of tokens*

**Main flow:**

1. Boards state is analysed
2. Win State confirmed
3. End game

**Alternate flows (extensions):**

1. Boards state is analysed
2. Win State confirmed absent.
3. Change turn.

## UC6: End Game

**Primary actor:** *Game System*

**Purpose:** *Finish the game and declare a winner*

**Stakeholders and interests:** *Players (They want to know the outcome of who won)*

**Preconditions:** *Win Condition is Satisfied*

**Postconditions:** *Game ends, no further moves possible. The system puts the state of the game as done.*

**Initiating event:** *Win Condition Detected*

**Main flow:**

1. **System announces winner**
2. **System locks the board**
3. **Option to restart the game, by resetting tokens or quit the game.**

**Alternate flows (extensions):**

## UC7: Save Game

**Primary actor:** *Player 1, Player 2*

**Purpose:** *Preserve the current game state for later continuation in a secure format.*

**Stakeholders and interests:** Players (want to preserve the game state)

**Preconditions:** Game state set to “in progress”

**Postconditions:** Current board state and the Player's turns are stored successfully.

**Initiating event:** A player selects to “save game” in the quit menu.

**Main flow:**

1. *Players choose “save game”*
2. *System captures current game state*
3. Game data is written in a local file.
4. System confirms successful save

**Alternate flows (extensions):**

- 3a. *Save operation fails and aborts.*
- 3b. *System alerts Player of failure*

## UC8: Load Game

**Primary actor:** *Player 1, Player 2*

**Purpose:** *Retrieve and restore a previously saved game session*

**Stakeholders and interests:** Players (want to resume a stored game session).

**Preconditions:** Valid save file exists.

**Postconditions:** Game board, players and turn order restored, with game state being set to “in progress”

**Initiating event:** Player selects the “load game” option in the main menu.

**Main flow:**

1. *Players choose “load game”*
2. *System loads and displays all available saved sessions*
3. Player selects a file
4. System retrieves and loads save file
5. Game Board, turns and players are restored.

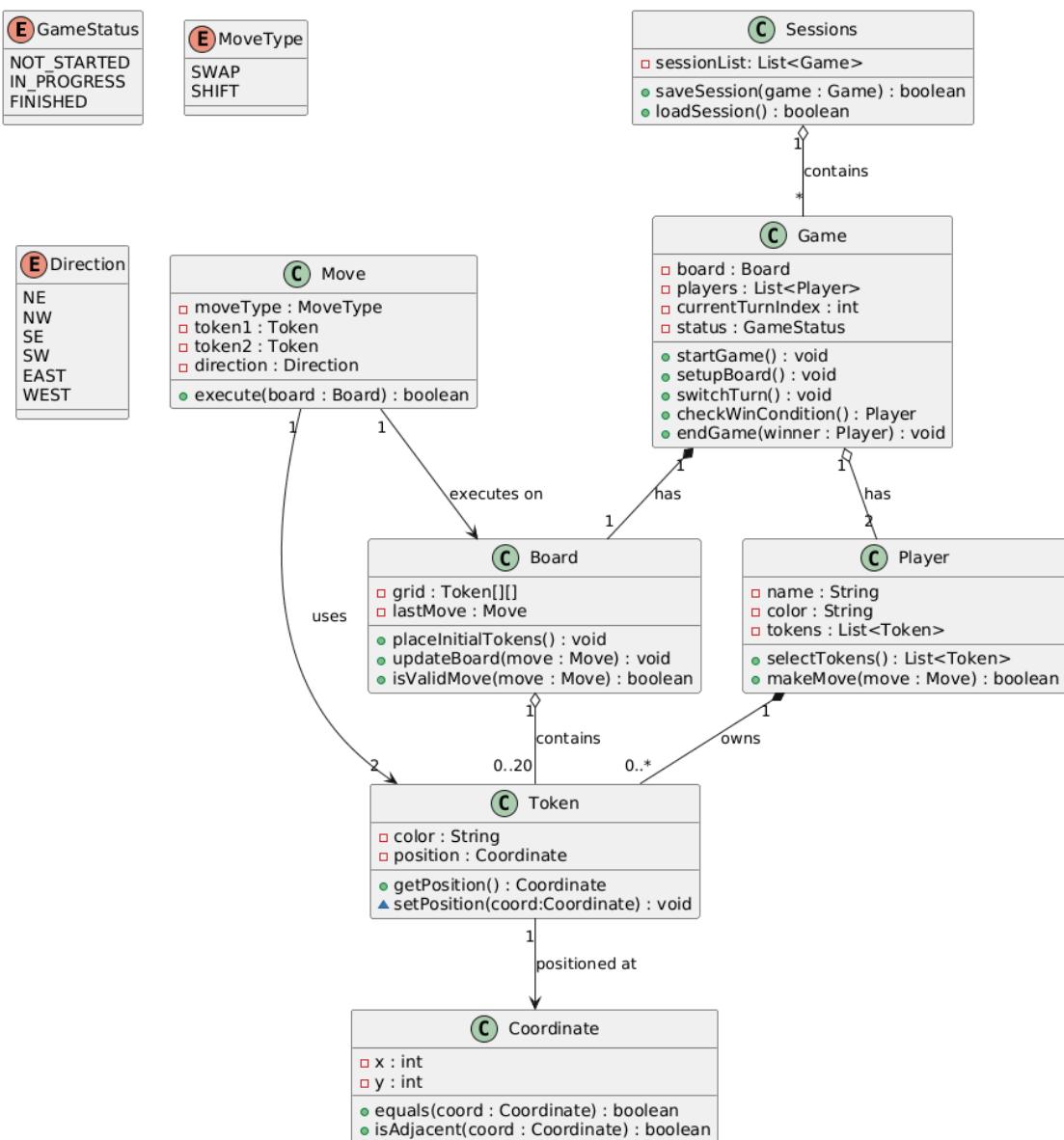
**Alternate flows (extensions):**

- 3a. *Save files not loading or corrupted.*
- 3b. *System alerts Players of failure.*

# Class diagram

Classes:

- Board
- Tokens
- Player
- Game (handles the logic)
- Move
- Coordinate
- Sessions



## Class list

```
' =====
' ENUMS / SUPPORT TYPES
' =====
enum GameStatus {
    NOT_STARTED
    IN_PROGRESS
    FINISHED
}

enum MoveType {
    SWAP
    SHIFT
}

enum Direction {
    NE
    NW
    SE
    SW
    EAST
    WEST
}
```

Class name: <i>Game</i>
Description: <i>This class controls the overall game by initiating the setup for the game and board. As well, it is where the code will switch turns between Player 1 and 2. Lastly, it also ends the game and checks if a player has won in the game.</i>
Instance variables:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <i>board : Board</i></li><li>● <i>players : List&lt;Player&gt;</i></li><li>● <i>currentTurnIndex : int</i></li><li>● <i>status : GameStatus</i></li></ul>
Constructor:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <i>Initializes the Game class, players and runs setupBoard() automatically</i></li></ul>
Private methods:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <i>[method_name1(args): return type – short description]</i></li></ul>

Public methods:

- `StartGame() : void` - Starts the game, showing the board to the players and gives first turn to Player 1
- `setupBoard() : void` - Sets up the board
  - Initializes tokens, giving each token a coordinate, and places all tokens in their correct position on the board
- `switchTurn() : void` - switches `currentTurnIndex` between 1 and 2; for each player's turn respectively
- `checkWinCondition() : Player` - Checks if either player satisfies the win condition (4 in a row)
- `endGame() : void` - Ends the game if either player wins

Class name: `Move`

Description: *This class controls the player's actions by moving the tokens on the board according to the Player's instructions.*

Instance variables:

- `moveType : MoveType`
- `token1 : Token`
- `token2 : Token`
- `direction : Direction`

Constructor:

- *No/empty constructor*

Private methods:

- *[method\_name1(args): return type – short description]*

Public methods:

- `execute(board : Board) : boolean` - Moves the tokens according to the Player's input

Class name: `Player`

Description: *This class acts as the player and allows them to make moves and select tokens.*

Instance variables:

- `name : String`
- `color : String`
- `tokens : List<Tokens>`

Constructor:

- *Assigns both players name and color along with all tokens that they control*
  - *Defaults to "Player 1" and "Player 2" if no given name*

Private methods:

- *[method\_name1(args): return type – short description]*

Public methods:

- *selectTokens() : List<Token>* - Returns the selected tokens (2 of them)
- *makeMove(move : Move) : boolean* - Returns true or false if move succeeds

Class name: *Board*

Description: *This class is responsible for storing and updating the position of all the tokens on the board, as well as keeping track of the last move.*

Instance variables:

- *grid : Token[][]*
  - Fill empty spots with null
- *lastMove : Move*

Constructor:

- *Runs placeInitialTokens()*
  - Fills grid[][] with Token objects

Private methods:

- *[method\_name1(args): return type – short description]*

Public methods:

- *placeInitialTokens() : void* - Places tokens on board
- *updateBoard(move : Move) : void* - Updates board after Move is ran
  - Runs *isValidMove()* during this function
- *isValidMove(move : Move) : boolean* - Checks if move is valid and according to game rules

Class name: *Token*

Description: *This class acts as a token on the board, allowing it to be moved across the board and logging its current position*

Instance variables:

- *color : String*
- *position : Coordinate*

Constructor:

- *Gives a color and assigns a coordinate based on input*
  - Defaults to the same color and to the same coordinate if no input

Private methods:

- *[method\_name1(args): return type – short description]*

Public methods:

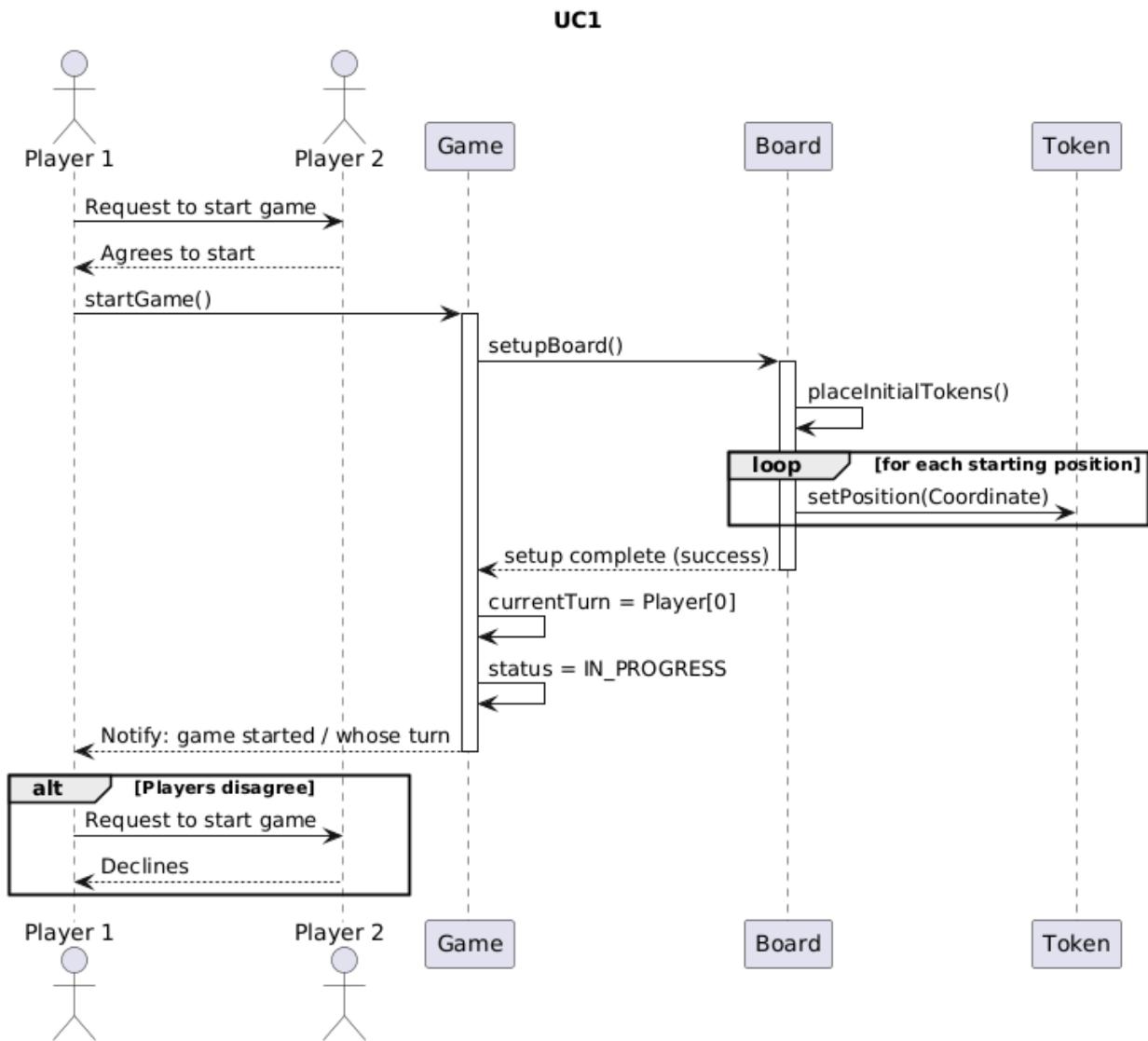
- `getPosition() : Coordinate` - Returns the position of the token
- `setPosition(coord : Coordinate) : void` - Sets the position of the token

Class name: <code>Coordinate</code>
Description: <i>This class is used to determine where on the board each token is located.</i>
Instance variables:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>x : int</code></li> <li>• <code>y : int</code></li> </ul>
Constructor:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Pulls the load files</i></li> </ul>
Public methods:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>equals(coord : Coordinate) : boolean</code> - checks if coordinates are equal to the inputted value</li> <li>• <code>isAdjacent(coord : Coordinate) : boolean</code> - checks if given coordinate is adjacent to the current coordinate</li> </ul>

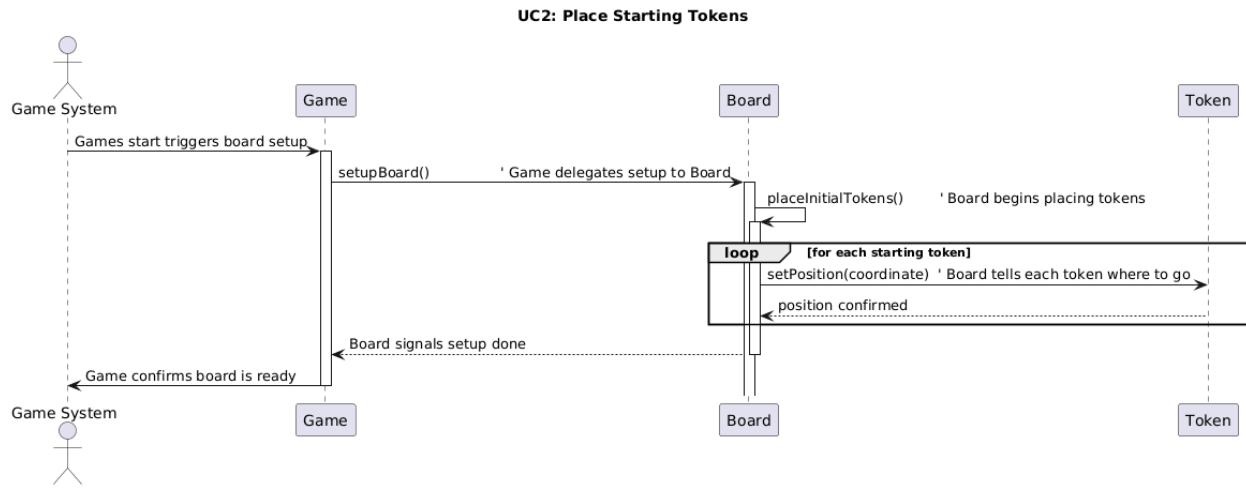
Class name: <code>Session</code>
Description: <i>This class is used to save or load Games.</i>
Instance variables:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>sessionList : &lt;Game&gt;</code></li> </ul>
Constructor:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Checks local storage and saves list of save files.</i></li> </ul>
Private methods:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>[method_name1(args): return type – short description]</i></li> </ul>
Public methods:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>saveSession(game : Game) : boolean</code> - saves the currently running Game session.</li> <li>• <code>loadSession() : boolean</code> - provides a list of visible game session saves and loads the selected one</li> </ul>

# Sequence diagrams

## UC1: Start Game

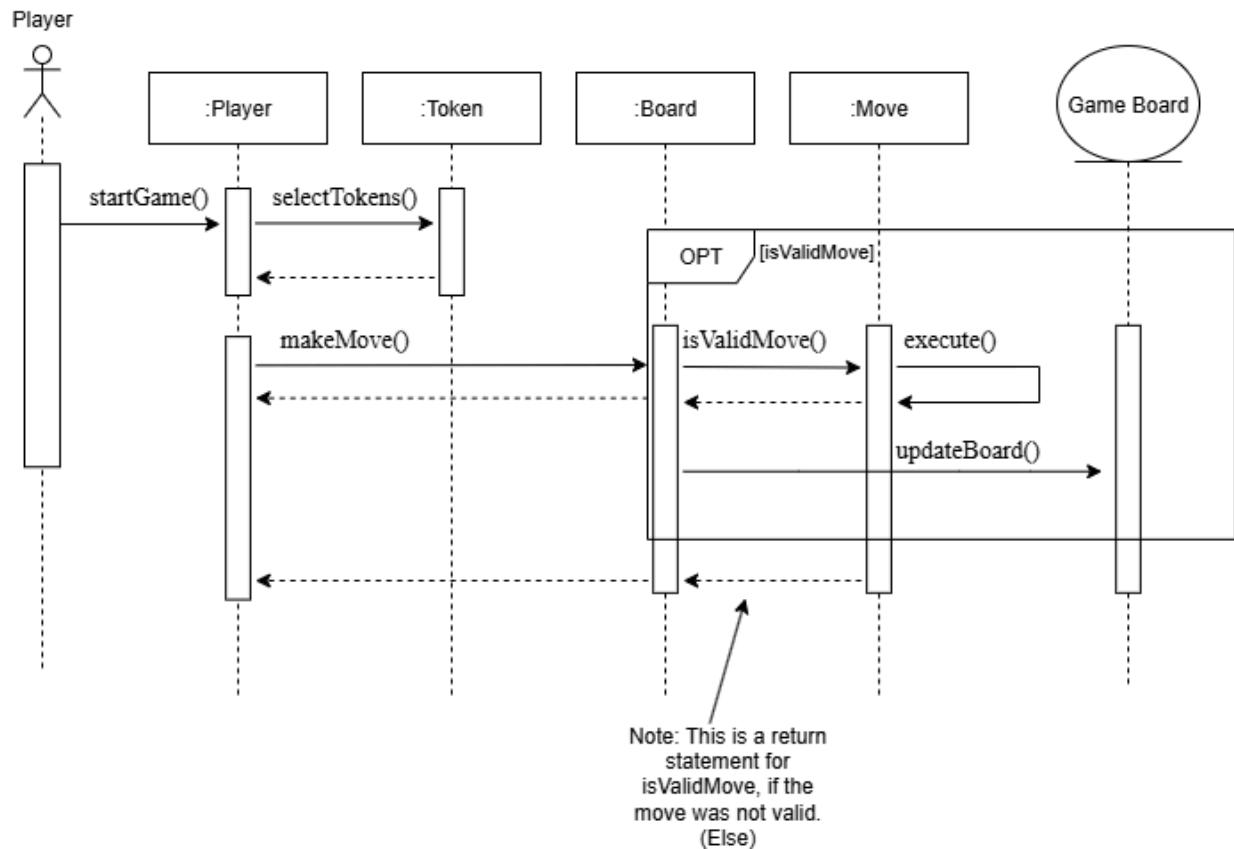


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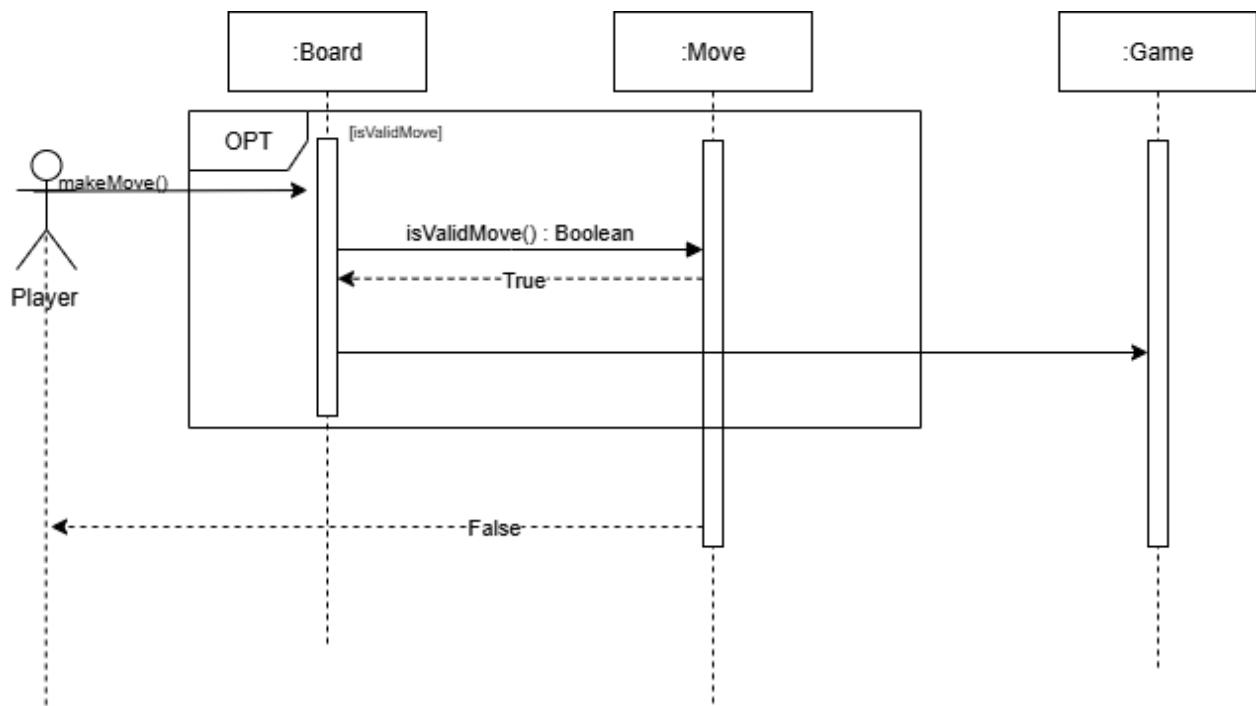


## UC3: Make a move

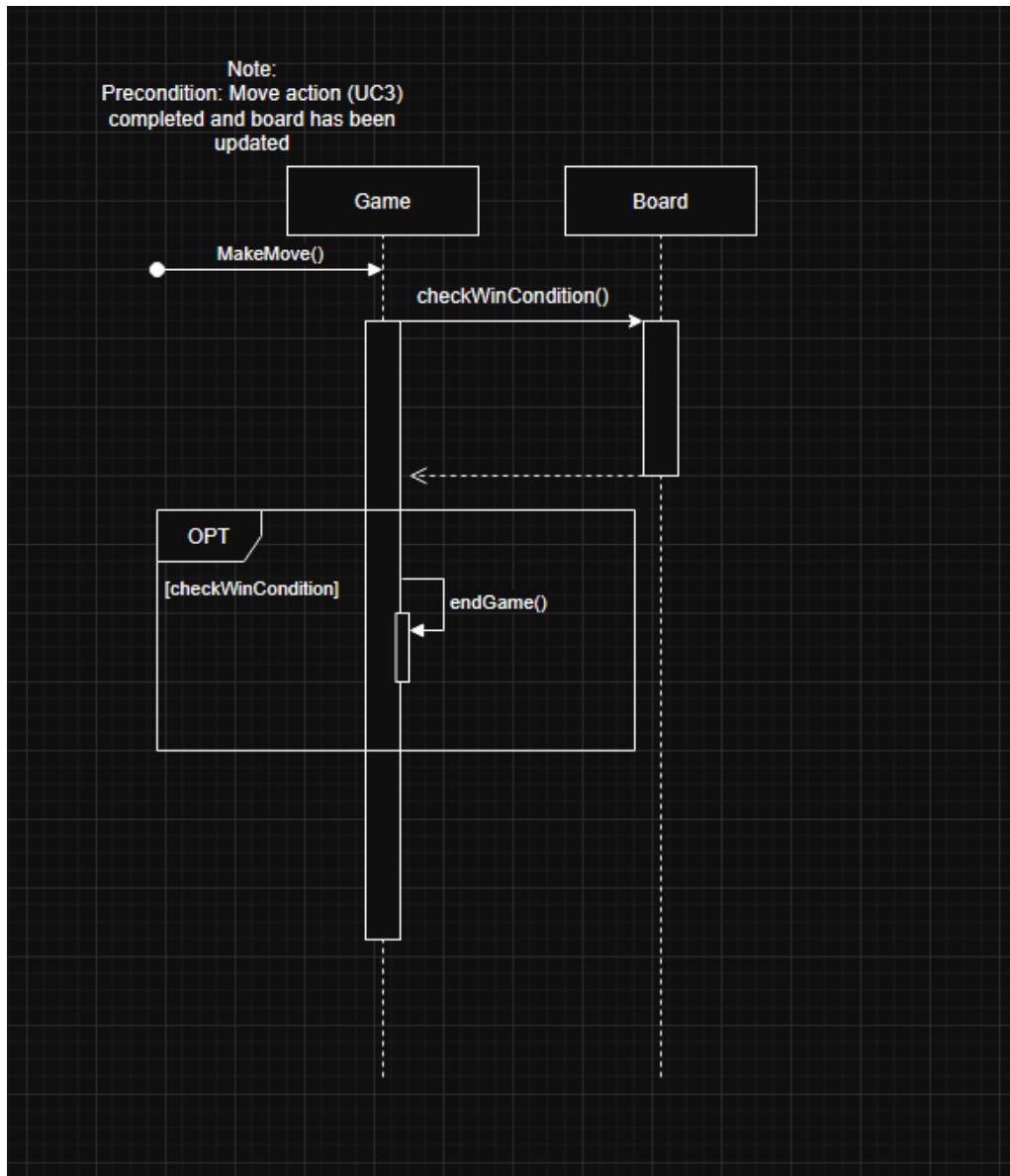
Note: The enum MoveType, will be able to assign/set if it is a swap or a regular shift/move.



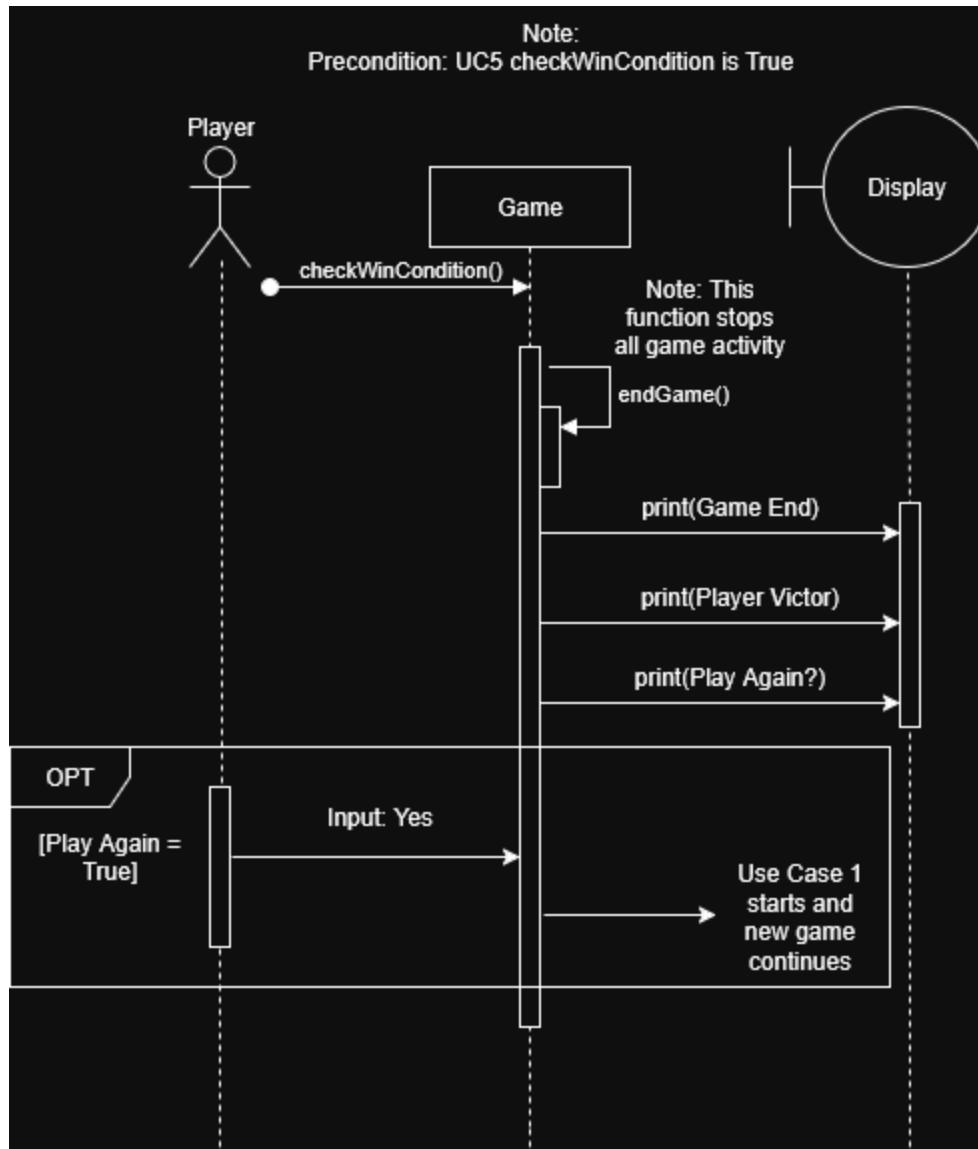
## UC4: Enforce Game Rules



## UC5: Check Win Condition

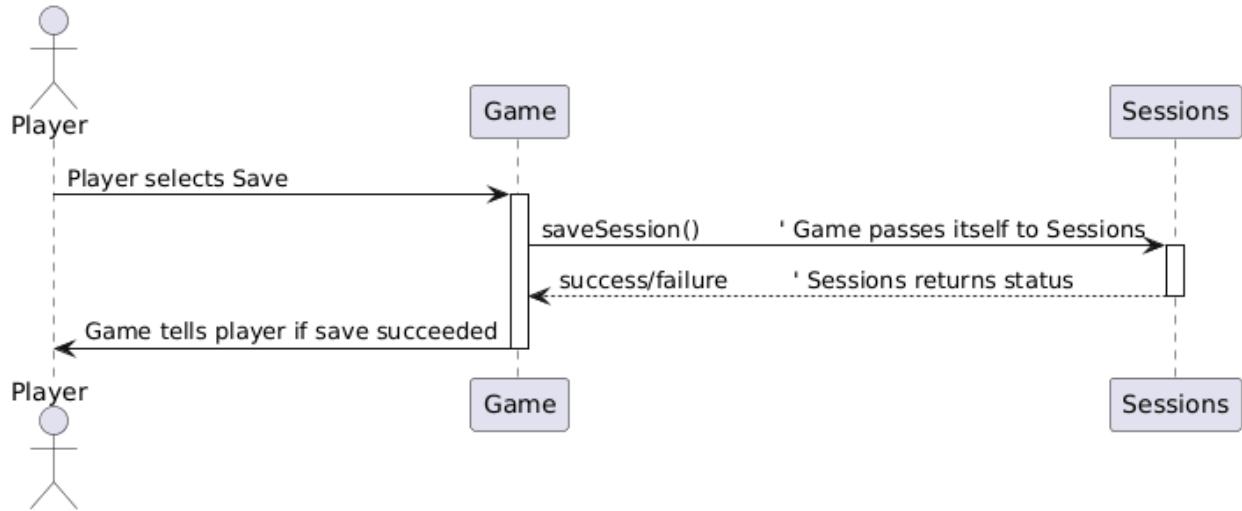


UC6: End Game



## UC7: Save Game

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### UC8: Load Game

#### UC8: Load Game (Sessions Handles Listing & Selection)



## ASCII GUI design

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1 Paradux ASCII (Unicode) UI (Horizontal)

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6 **P A R A D U X ( v1.0 )**

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10 **M A I N M E N U**

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13 [1] START GAME

14 [2] LOAD GAMES

15 [3] RULES

16 [4] QUIT

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19 Enter number keys to navigate. Press ENTER to confirm.

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30 P A R A D U X   R U L E S
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34 OBJECTIVE
35 Be the first player to line up FOUR of your tokens in a row –
36 horizontally, vertically, or diagonally.
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40 SETUP
41 • Tokens are placed around the perimeter of the board.
42 • Remaining tokens go in the center.
43 • Program (or players) decides who goes first.
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47 GAMEPLAY
48 1. On your turn:
49   ▪ Select one of your tokens and one adjoining opponent token.
50   ▪ Move BOTH tokens together one space in any direction
51     (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal).
52   ▪ Both tokens must be able to move freely.

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49   ▪ Select one of your tokens and one adjoining opponent token.
50   ▪ Move BOTH tokens together one space in any direction
51     (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal).
52   ▪ Both tokens must be able to move freely.
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54 2. Alternate Move – SWAP:
55   ▪ Instead of moving, you may swap the two adjoining tokens.
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59 MOVEMENT RULES
60   ▪ You cannot move a single token alone.
61   ▪ You cannot move two of your own tokens.
62   ▪ You cannot reverse the previous move.
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66 WINNING
67   The first player to align four tokens of their color in a row wins.
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70 [ENTER] Return to Main Menu
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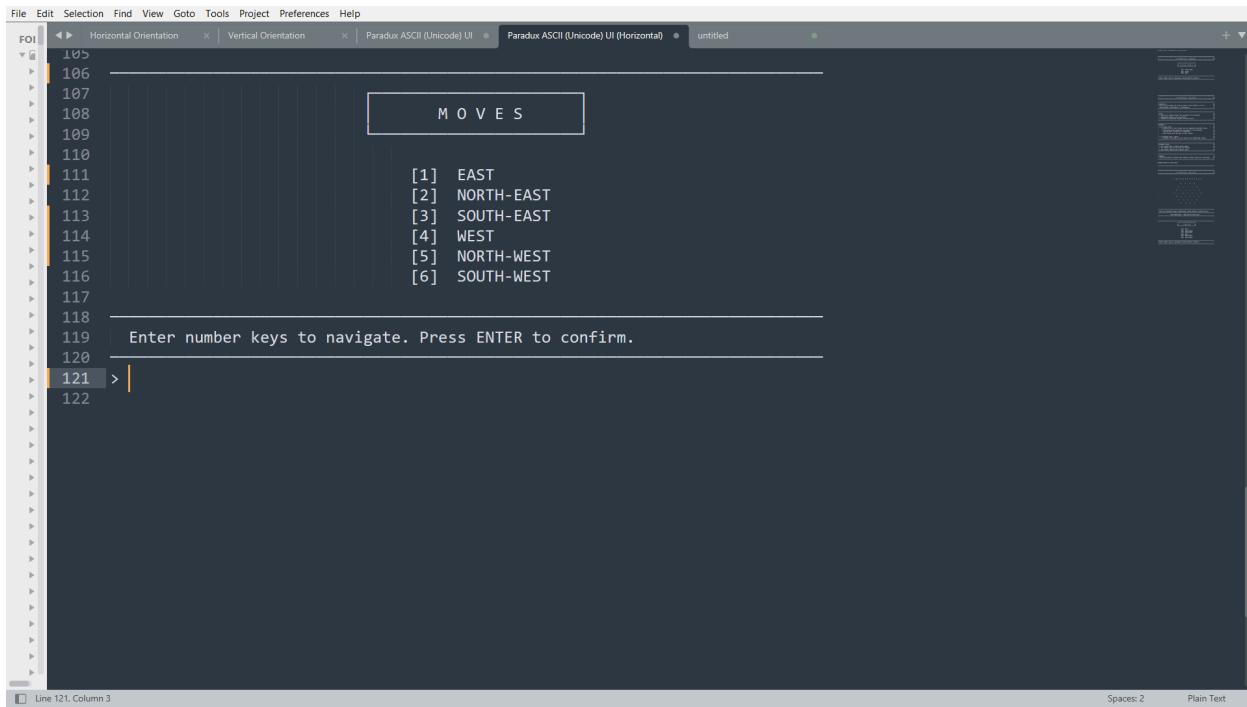
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39   [3] 12-07-2023
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105 PARADUX BOARD
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112 1 o x o x
113 2 x - - - o
114 3 o - - - - x
115 4 x - o - x - o
116 5 o - - - - - x
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118 6 x - - - - o
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120 7 o x o x
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129 Type your desired token's coordinates. Press ENTER to confirm token.
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131 [S] Save Game [H] Help/Rules [Q] Quit to Main Menu
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133 >
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File Edit Selection Find View Goto Tools Project Preferences Help
FOI Horizontal Orientation X Vertical Orientation X Paradox ASCII (Unicode) UI Paradox ASCII (Unicode) UI (Horizontal) @startuml
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156 Type in your desired save file name. Press ENTER to confirm.
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158 >
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A screenshot of a terminal window titled "Paradox ASCII (Unicode) UI (Horizontal)" showing a text-based game menu. The menu is enclosed in a rectangular border and contains the following text:

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119 Enter number keys to navigate. Press ENTER to confirm.
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121 >| 122
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The menu options are:

- [1] EAST
- [2] NORTH-EAST
- [3] SOUTH-EAST
- [4] WEST
- [5] NORTH-WEST
- [6] SOUTH-WEST

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