

Project 3: Object Oriented Chess

Problem Definition:

This program will let two players play chess. A very basic interface will allow the user to load a chess board from a file using the Smith Notation, display a board on the screen using a text user interface, change the position of the different pieces, and finally write the status of the game to a file using Smith Notation.

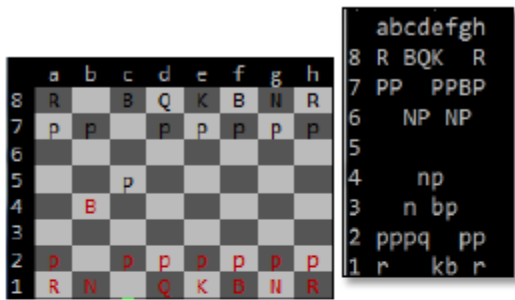
Design Overview:

The board is an 8x8 array of characters. Each character refers to a single piece. Uppercase letters are black pieces, and lowercase letters represent white pieces. Additionally there is an array of moves which keeps track of the game.

When the board is read from a file, moves will be automatically loaded into the game, parsed for any problems, and then adjusted to display on the board. It works exactly as if the user were to enter the moves one move at a time. The user is given an opportunity repeatedly to enter moves until they specify to quick.

Interface Design:

Output



The board with the pieces on it, the test boardt

(Black):

Prompt for user input

Options:
? Display these options
b2b4 Specify a move using the Smith Notation
read Read a saved game from a file
test Simple display for test purposes
quit Leave the game. You will be prompted to save

The menu of options

To save a game, please specify the filename.
To quit without saving a file, just press <enter>

Save prompt at the end of the game

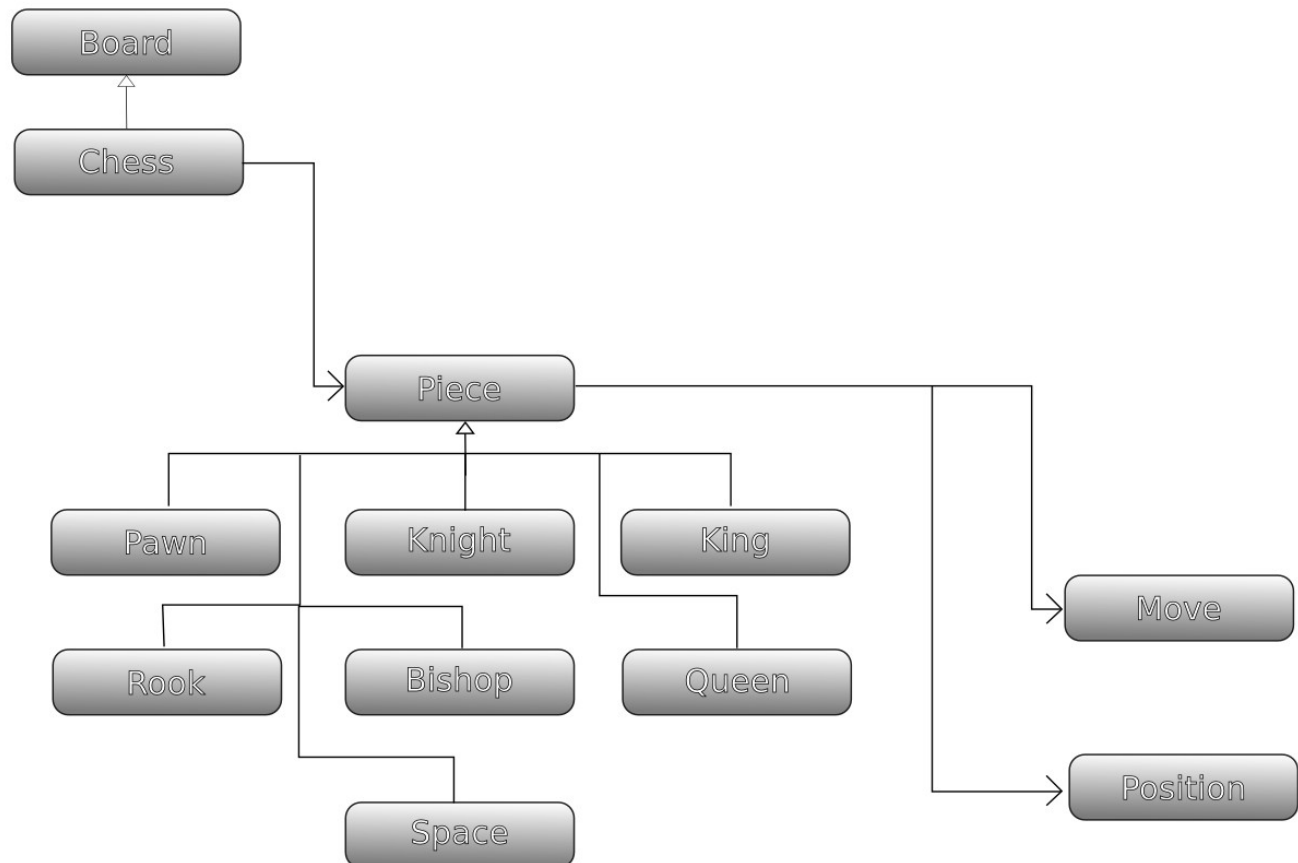
Input

b2b4	Any chess algebra is interpreted as a move
?	Question mark launches the menu of options
r	Launches a prompt for a filename to read
quit	Leaves the program with first prompting for save filename
<i>everything else</i>	Re-prompt the user for an option and display an error message.

Errors

Invalid specification of source coordinates	The first letter must be 'a'-'h' and the second number must be 1-8. Anything else will generate this message.
Piece not present in source coordinate	Trying to move a piece from a source location when there is no piece there.
Invalid specification of destination coordinates	Same as first message except for destination coordinates.
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Illegal to move onto your own piece	Trying to move onto your own piece, something which is never legal.
Unknown promotion piece specification	Specifying a promotion (NBRQ), capture (pnbrqk), castling (cC) or en-passant (E) with an invalid letter

Structure Chart:



Data Structures:

Board
- test - allocated -square
+ Board + getPiece + swap + resetBoard + freeBoard + getTest + setTest + [] + <<

Chess
-board -move -moves -numMoves -fileName -fQuit
+Chess +interact +displayOptions +displaySmith +getFileName

Move
- source - dest - piece - capture - enpassant - castleK - castleQ -isWhite -error
+ Move + Move(copy) + getDes + getSrc + getText + getPromotion + getCapture + getEnPassant + getCastleK + getCastleQ + getWhiteMove + == + != + = + << + >> + setCapture + setWhiteMove + setSrc + setDes + setEnPassant + setPromote + setCastle

Position
- row - col
+ Position + Position(row, col) + getRow + getCol + setRow + setCol + isValid + = + == + >> + <<

Data Structures Continued:

Piece
-+ Position -+ isWhiteSquare -+ letter -+ fWhite
+ Place() + Place(white, row, col, letter) + display + getLetter + getScore + getColor + isWhite + setSquareColor + <<

Pawn : Piece
- fMoved
+ Pawn(white, row, col) + getMoves + getScore

Rook : Piece
-fMoved
+Rook (white, row, col) + getMoves + getScore

Knigh : Piece
-
+ Knight (white, row, col) + getMoves + getScore

Bishop : Piece
-
+ Bishop (white, row, col) + getMoves + getScore

Queen : Piece
-
+ getLetter + getMoves + getScore

King : Piece
- fMoved
+ King (white, row, col) + getMoves + getScore

Space : Piece
-
+ Space() + Space(white, row, col) + getMoves + getScores

Algorithms:

```
FUNCTION freeBoard
    IF (allocated is true)
        FOR ( i=0, i<8, i++)
            FOR (p=0, p<8, p++)
                Delete square[i][p]
            ENDFOR
        ENDFOR
    ENDIF
ENDFUNCTION
```

```
FUNCTION displayOptions
    PUT: Options: <NEWLINE>
    ?
    B2b4
    Read
    Help
    Test
    Rank
    Quit
    Smith
ENDFUNCTION
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FUNCTION getText
    IF (error with the length)
        RETURN error
    ENDIF

    PUT source and destination

    IF (enpassant)
        PUT "E"
    ENDIF

    IF (castleK)
        PUT "c"
    ENDIF

    IF (castleQ)
        PUT "C"
    ENDIF
    IF (space not empty)
        PUT original piece
    ENDIF

    IF (capture and not empty)
        PUT lower case letter or upper case letter in place
    ENDIF

    RETURN results
ENDFUNCTION
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File Formats:

The game store every move in an array which is written to a file at the end of the game in Smith Notation.

```
e2e4 c7c5
g1f3 d7d6
d2d4 c5d4p
f3d4 g8f6p
b1c3 g7g6
c1e3 f8g7
f2f3 b8c6
d1d2 e8g8c
f1c4
```

When the file is read, each move is “played” exactly as if the user was to enter each move by hand.

Error Handling:

User Errors

Error	Condition	Handling
Invalid move	sourceRow > h or sourceRow < a or sourceColumn > 8 or sourceColumn < 1 or ...	Display error and re-prompt
Invalid Filename	fin.fail()	Re-prompt for filename

File Errors

Error	Condition	Handling
Invalid move	sourceRow > h or sourceRow < a or sourceColumn > 8 or sourceColumn < 1 or ...	Display error message and stop reading the file at that point.

Internal Errors

Error	Source	Handling
Illegal coordinate	move.source.r > 7 or move.source.r < 0 or move.source.c > 7 or move.source.c < 0 or ...	Assert is thrown
Illegal piece	board[r][c] != { space, p, P, r, R, ... }	Assert is thrown