

ENGR-102 Section: 507

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## **Group Project Design Document:**

**Game** - The game our group decided on for the group project is Checkers.

### **RULESET:**

The game is intended to function with the standard ruleset of the game:

- Classic 8x8 grid type board with 24 pieces (12 pieces each for two colors).
- Red set of pieces will always open with the first move. Each color will alternate their turns
- Pieces are set to strictly move diagonally. (Single pieces are limited to moving forward and King pieces can move forward and backward)
- Capture will be performed diagonally by “leaping over” an opposing piece in a valid empty space.
- The program allows for multiple captures. However, each movement after a valid capture MUST also be a valid capture move. The player can choose to perform another capture if applicable.
- A piece is “kinged” when reaching the furthest opposing row. A kinged piece is allowed to move forward and backward diagonally. It may also combine captures in several directions on the same turn.
- The winning player is decided by capturing all their opponent’s pieces.

**\*\*Our group used this website in designing the rules for our game:**

<https://www.ultraboardgames.com/checkers/game-rules.php>

**Program Structure** - This program utilizes module pygame 2.1.2 for the Graphical Interface of the board.

**To install, users must type `pip install pygame` in the terminal of their Python IDE.**

**\*\*User MUST have the Pygame module installed in order for the program to work properly!**

**\*\*Link to Pygame on pypi.org:**

<https://pypi.org/project/pygame/>

## Function

## Class

The basic structure of the program utilizes several class methods to define the following:

- **Grid Movement** - This function determines move selection via mouse input. (Selecting piece and empty space with the mouse cursor)
- **Board** - This class is responsible for the display of the board and creating a functional layout for the game. Also updates pieces, capturing, physically moving pieces etc.
  - a) **Drawsquares** - Creates the graphical display of the checkerboard
  - b) **createBoard** - Creates the functional layout for gameplay via a list of lists
  - c) **draw** - Draws pieces on the board
  - d) **remove** - Removes pieces from the board via capturing movement options
  - e) **Move** - Moves piece from current position to valid position.
- **Piece** - This class is responsible for the mechanics (such as movement, color, and kings) of each checker piece.
  - a) **calcPos** - calculates coordinates of a piece
  - b) **make\_king** - modifies class variable king true
  - c) **draw** - draws two circles (outline and main) for a piece given position, if king is true, draws crown on top of a piece
  - d) **Move** - updates position, handles condition to become king
  - e) **posIfGoDirection** - returns coordinates of new position based on possible moves, and jumping condition
  - f) **possibleMove** - returns a list of total possible moves, calculated from posifgodirection
  - g) **displayPossibleMove** - shows possible moves to the user as gray circles for clicking
- **Game** - Class that controls game conditions, turns, and event loop. It also has code for single-player mode AI.
  - a) **changeTurn** - flips turns
  - b) **gameIsEnded** - returns true if there are no more opponent pieces on the board
  - c) **play** - contains event loop and conditions for user input such as quitting, selecting and moving pieces.
  - d) **ai** - contains decision making for ai moves in single player
  - e) **winingWindow** - displays victory screen

**\*\* Some additional functionality we added:**

- AI is “smarter” and will go for capture or king movements when available
- Graphical UI for users to choose which mode they want (2P or AI play)
- Separate graphical display for victory screen

## **Work Statement:**

### **Noah Saria**

- Wrote design document
- Helped code AI behavior and two-player functionality of the program
- Helped code graphical UI for the board and pieces

### **Minh Nguyen**

- Wrote code for board display and functionality
- Coded grid movement based on valid mouse input
- Helped code the king mechanic and condition for individual pieces

### **Brendan Hon**

- Coded conditions for the program to determine win/loss/tie
- Coded graphical UI for the victory screen
- Document editing and docstrings

### **Vijay Seetharam**

- Coded valid piece movement for the program (single and King piece)
- Coded single/multi “eating” options for pieces
- Coded alternate approach for AI and Functional Testing