



Skeleton Code Breakdown

Class: *Dastan*

Identifier / Data		Description
<<constructor>>		
Parameters	R : Int C : Int NoOfPieces : Int	Initialises the following protected attributes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">NoOfRows from parameter RNoOfColumns from parameter CMoveOptionOfferPosition to 0 Instantiates two new Player objects – Player 1 with the Direction parameter of 1 and Player 2 with the Direction parameter of -1 – and appends them both to the protected list attribute Players. Assigns the element at position 0 of the Players list (Player 1) to the protected attribute CurrentPlayer. Invokes the following methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none">CreateMoveOptions() – to add the five standard move options to each player.CreateMoveOptionOffer() – to add the five standard move options to the move offer option list.CreateBoard() – to create a standard size board.CreatePieces() – to add the standard player and Mirza pieces to the board using the parameter NoOfPieces.
Return values	n/a	
CalculatePieceCapturePoints (private)		
Parameters	FinishSquareReference : Int	Uses the GetPieceInSquare method to get the piece at the Board location from the FinishSquareReference parameter. If there is a piece at that location, the PointsIfCaptured attribute for that piece is returned. If there is no piece at that location the method returns 0.
Return values	Integer	
CheckIfGameOver (private)		
Parameters	n/a	Iterates through the Board list checking each square for a piece. If the square contains a piece, the method returns true if the square contains a Kotla, and the piece in the square is a Mirza and belongs to the opponent of the player that owns that square. Under this scenario, the player who owns the Mirza has just captured their opponent's Kotla. If this isn't the case, the method checks to confirm if the piece contains either a Player 1 or Player 2 Mirza setting the Player1HasMirza and Player2HasMirza attributes appropriately. A negated logical AND of these two attributes is returned. If both players have lost their Mirza, the method returns true, otherwise it returns false.
Return values	Boolean	

CheckSquareInBounds (private)		
Parameters	SquareReference : Int	Used as an error handling method to check if the SquareReference parameter is within the bounds of the playing board. The method initialises two local variables, Row and Col , using DIV to split off the row and MOD to split off the column from the SquareReference parameter. The method then checks to confirm if Row is outside of the range of 1 to the attribute NoOfRows and Col is outside of the range of 1 to the attribute NoOfColumns and returns false. If both are in range, the method returns true.
Return values	Boolean	
CheckSquaresValid (private)		
Parameters	SquareReference : Int StartSquare : Boolean	Used to test if the SquareReference parameter is a valid Square choice. The StartSquare parameter is passed as true if this method is being used to check when the player is selecting the location of a piece to move from (a 'move from' check), otherwise it is passed as false when the method is being used to check when the player is selecting the location to move a piece to (a 'move to' check). The method firstly uses the CheckSquareInBounds() method to confirm that the square reference is within the bounds of the board and returns false if it is not. The method then gets the piece at the Board location from the SquareReference parameter. If there is no piece at that location and this is a 'move from' check, the method returns false because the player has selected a blank square. If the StartSquare parameter is true – this is a 'move to' check, the method instead returns true because the player has selected a blank square. If there is a piece already at the location chosen by the player, the method checks to confirm if that piece belongs to the current player. If it does and this is a 'move from' check, the method returns true. If this is a 'move to' check, the method returns false because the player is trying to move a piece onto one of their own pieces. If the piece does not belong to the current player and this is a 'move from' check, the method returns false because the player is trying to select an opponent piece to move. If this is a 'move to' check, the method returns true as the player is attempting to take an opponent piece.
Return values	Boolean	
CreateBoard (private)		
Parameters	n/a	Uses nested iteration using the NoOfRows and NoOfColumns attributes to populate the Board list. Player 1's Kotla is placed to the left of the middle of row 1 and Player 2's Kotla is placed in the middle (or right of middle if there is an even number of columns) of the value stored in the NoOfRows attribute. The remaining locations are filled with an empty Square object.
Return values	n/a	

CreateChowkidarMoveOption (private)		
Parameters	Direction : Int	Instantiates a new MoveOption for the chowkidar move. This method uses the Direction parameter to instantiate new Move objects – one for each valid move location for this move option.
Return values	NewMoveOption : MoveOption	
		<p>The first new Move parameter is the number of rows to move from starting location to finishing location. The second new Move parameter is the number of columns to move from the starting location to finishing location. Both values are relative to the starting location.</p> <p>A Direction of 1 moves down the board – for Player 1, and a Direction of -1 moves up the board – for Player 2. Each new Move object is added to the chowkidar NewMoveOption object which is then returned.</p> <p>See pre-release document for a graphical representation of valid move positions (shown from the viewpoint of Player 2).</p>
CreateCuirassierMoveOption (private)		
Parameters	Direction : Int	Instantiates a new MoveOption for the cuirassier move. This method uses the Direction parameter to instantiate new Move objects – one for each valid move location for this move option.
Return values	NewMoveOption : MoveOption	
		<p>The first new Move parameter is the number of rows to move from starting location to finishing location. The second new Move parameter is the number of columns to move from the starting location to finishing location. Both values are relative to the starting location.</p> <p>A Direction of 1 moves down the board – for Player 1, and a Direction of -1 moves up the board – for Player 2. Each new Move object is added to the cuirassier NewMoveOption object which is then returned.</p> <p>See pre-release document for a graphical representation of valid move positions (shown from the viewpoint of Player 2).</p>
CreateFaujdarMoveOption (private)		
Parameters	Direction : Int	Instantiates a new MoveOption for the faujdar move. This method uses the Direction parameter to instantiate new Move objects – one for each valid move location for this move option.
Return values	NewMoveOption : MoveOption	
		<p>The first new Move parameter is the number of rows to move from starting location to finishing location. The second new Move parameter is the number of columns to move from the starting location to finishing location. Both values are relative to the starting location.</p> <p>A Direction of 1 moves down the board – for Player 1, and a Direction of -1 moves up the board – for Player 2. Each new Move object is added to the faujdar NewMoveOption object which is then returned.</p> <p>See pre-release document for a graphical representation of valid move positions (shown from the viewpoint of Player 2).</p>

CreateJazairMoveOption (private)		
Parameters	Direction : Int	Instantiates a new MoveOption for the jazair move. This method uses the Direction parameter to instantiate new Move objects – one for each valid move location for this move option.
Return values	NewMoveOption : MoveOption	
		<p>The first new Move parameter is the number of rows to move from starting location to finishing location. The second new Move parameter is the number of columns to move from the starting location to finishing location. Both values are relative to the starting location.</p> <p>A Direction of 1 moves down the board – for Player 1, and a Direction of -1 moves up the board – for Player 2. Each new Move object is added to the jazier NewMoveOption object which is then returned.</p> <p>See pre-release document for a graphical representation of valid move positions (shown from the viewpoint of Player 2).</p>
CreateRyottMoveOption (private)		
Parameters	Direction : Int	Instantiates a new MoveOption for the ryott move. This method uses the Direction parameter to instantiate new Move objects – one for each valid move location for this move option.
Return values	NewMoveOption : MoveOption	
		<p>The first new Move parameter is the number of rows to move from starting location to finishing location. The second new Move parameter is the number of columns to move from the starting location to finishing location. Both values are relative to the starting location.</p> <p>A Direction of 1 moves down the board – for Player 1, and a Direction of -1 moves up the board – for Player 2. Each new Move object is added to the ryott NewMoveOption object which is then returned.</p> <p>See pre-release document for a graphical representation of valid move positions (shown from the viewpoint of Player 2).</p>
CreateMoveOption (private)		
Parameters	Name : String Direction : Int	Uses selection on the Name parameter to select the associated Create****MoveOption method and return the MoveOption from that method.
Return values	MoveOption	
CreateMoveOptionOffer (private)		
Parameters	n/a	Adds the five default MoveOptions to the MoveOptionOffer string list attribute.
Return values	n/a	

CreateMoveOptions (private)		
Parameters	n/a	Adds the five default MoveOptions to the MoveOptionQueue for each player.
Return values	n/a	
		This method calls the CreateMoveOption() method passing the move Name and Direction parameters for each of the five default move options, adding the return MoveOption to the MoveOptionQueue for Player 1 and Player 2 in the Players list.
CreatePieces (private)		
Parameters	NoOfPieces : Int	Places the default playing pieces and Mirza for each player onto the board.
Return values	n/a	
		<p>The method uses the NoOfPieces parameter to place that many standard playing pieces onto the board – placing Player 1 pieces on row 2 and Player 2 pieces on the penultimate row. Pieces are given the parameters of a name, which player they belong to, their points value if captured and their symbol on the board. Player 1 pieces are given the symbol '!'. Player 2 pieces are given a single quote symbol using an escape character to correctly interpret it as a string.</p> <p>The method also places the Player 1 and 2 Mirzas into their associated Kotlas by halving the NoOfColumns attribute to work out the middle position in a row. Both Mirzas are given a points value if captured of 5. Player 1 Mirza is given the symbol of '1' and Player 2 Mirza is given the symbol of '2'.</p>
DisplayBoard (private)		
Parameters	n/a	Iterates through the Board list to print it out onto the screen. The method works by using the following steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iterate through to the number of columns printing the column number and a space. • Iterate through to the number of columns printing a short sequence of hyphens. • Use nested iteration to print out the associated symbol for each square on the board preceded by a ' '. If there is a piece in the square the symbol for that piece is also printed, otherwise a blank space is printed. • Print a final ' ' symbol at the end of each row. • Iterate through to the number of columns printing a short sequence of hyphens followed by two blank lines.
Return values	n/a	
DisplayFinalResult (private)		
Parameters	n/a	The winner of the game is the player with the highest score when this method is called. The method compares the score of both players using the GetScore() method.
Return values	n/a	
		If Player 1 has a higher score than Player 2 then the method uses the GetName() method to print the Player 1 name concatenated with 'is the winner!'; otherwise it prints the Player 2 name concatenated with 'is the winner!' If the player scores match, 'Draw!' is printed to the screen.

DisplayState (private)		
Parameters	n/a	Used as part of the main menu system in the PlayGame() method to display information about the CurrentPlayer .
Return values	n/a	
		<p>The method first calls the DisplayBoard() method to print the board to the screen followed by the current move option offer for a player to choose if they want.</p> <p>It then uses the GetPlayerStateAsString() method to display the score and move option queue for the current player followed by the current player name.</p>
GetIndexOfSquare (private)		
Parameters	SquareReference : Int	Used to convert a SquareReference input to a list position in the Board list for the associated Square .
Return values	Integer	
		<p>The method initialises two local variables, Row and Col, using DIV to split off the row and MOD to split off the column from the SquareReference parameter.</p> <p>1 is subtracted from both variables to make them zero bound and then the Row is multiplied by the NoOfColumns attribute and added to the Col attribute and returned.</p>
GetPointsForOccupancyByPlayer (private)		
Parameters	CurrentPlayer : Player	Used to calculate the total points for any squares occupied by the CurrentPlayer .
Return values	ScoreAdjustment : Int	
		<p>The method initialises an integer variable ScoreAdjustment to 0 then iterates through the Board list looking for squares which are occupied by the current player.</p> <p>The GetPointsForOccupancy method is called on each square in the Board list which by default will return 0. The method is overridden by the Kotla class to return 5 if the Kotla belongs to current player and is occupied by the current player Mirza or a current player piece. It will return 1 if the Kotla occupied by a current player piece or Mirza belong to the opponent player.</p> <p>Points are totaled up in the ScoreAdjustment variable as the iteration progresses.</p> <p>This total is then returned.</p>
GetSquareReference (private)		
Parameters	Description : String	Used to get a square reference on the board from the user.
Return values	SelectedSquare : Int	
		<p>The method uses the Description parameter to concatenate an appropriate output to the user so that this method can be used for either a start or finish square reference.</p> <p>Input from the user is casted without any error handling and stored in a local integer variable SelectedSquare and then returned.</p>

PlayGame (public)		
Parameters	n/a	<p>This method is the main game playing loop which is held in the loop using the local Boolean variable GameOver.</p> <p>The method firstly displays the current game state which includes the board and the current player queue. It then asks the current player to choose a move option (1–3) from their move option queue or select 9 if they would like to choose a move offer.</p> <p>If the user selects option 9, the method calls UseMoveOptionOffer() to display the move offer submenu and then displays the current game state again. The method loops until the user selects a valid move option.</p> <p>The method then asks the user to enter in a StartSquareReference containing the piece that they would like to move. Using the GetSquareReference() and CheckSquaresValid() methods, it will repeatedly ask until the user gives a valid location.</p> <p>The method then repeats this process but asking for a FinishSquareReference containing the location of where the player wants to move the piece to. The method then uses the CheckPlayerMove() method to confirm that the StartSquareReference and FinishSquareReference are valid for the selected move choice.</p> <p>If the move is legal, the method performs the following steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calculates any points if the move captures an opponent piece using the CalculatePieceCapturePoints() method and storing it in PointsForPieceCapture. • Updates the player score based on the position of the move option used from the player queue using the ChangeScore() method. • Updates the player queue to move the select MoveOption choice to the back of the queue using the UpdateQueueAfterMove() method. • Calls the UpdateBoard() method to update the position of pieces based on the StartSquareReference and FinishSquareReference. • Calls the UpdatePlayerScore() method to update the current player score with PointsForPieceCapture. • Prints the updated score for the current player onto the screen. <p>This method does not deal with the case where the move is not legal, it simply just ignores the move and completes the player turn without informing the player.</p> <p>The method then checks which player is currently playing and swaps to the opposing player. It then uses the CheckIfGameOver() to check if the current player has got their Mirza into the opponent Kotla or the opponent Mirza has been captured which stops the main game playing loop.</p> <p>After the main game playing loop the method calls the DisplayState() method to print the final position of the playing board and then calls the DisplayFinalResult() method to confirm which player has won.</p>
Return values	n/a	

UseMoveOptionOffer (private)		
Parameters	n/a	Used to place the move from the MoveOptionOffer list into the current player move option queue.
Return values	n/a	
		<p>The method asks the player for a position to place the current offer move from the MoveOptionOffer list and, without using any error handling, stores the result in the local integer variable ReplaceChoice. The method then uses the UpdateMoveOptionQueueWithOffer() method on the CurrentPlayer object to replace the user selected position move with the current offer move from the MoveOptionOffer list. The method then reduces the player score using the ChangeScore() method based on the position of the move option selected by the player to replace.</p> <p>The method then updates MoveOptionOfferPosition variable with a random number from 0 to 4 to select a new move from the MoveOptionOffer list.</p>
UpdateBoard (private)		
Parameters	StartSquareReference : Int FinishSquareReference : Int	Performs the actual move of a piece from one location on the board to another.
Return values	n/a	
		<p>The method uses the RemovePiece() method on the Board list index calculated from the StartSquareReference parameter. This piece is subsequently passed as a parameter to the SetPiece() method to be placed at the Board list index calculated from the FinishSquareReference parameter.</p>
UpdatePlayerScore (private)		
Parameters	PointsForPieceCapture : Int	Calculates the change in player score for the move which the player has just made.
Return values	n/a	
		<p>The method calls the GetPointsForOccupancyByPlayer() method on the current player to create a total points score for any Kotlas which are occupied by the player. This is then added to the PointsForPieceCapture parameter which contains the points for any opponent pieces captured in that move.</p> <p>The combined total is then used to update the current player score using the ChangeScore() method.</p>

Class: *Piece*

Identifier / Data		Description
<<constructor>>		
Parameters	T : String B : Player P : Int S : String	Initialises the following protected attributes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TypeOfPiece from parameter T• BelongsTo from parameter B• PointsIfCaptured from parameter P• Symbol from parameter S
Return values	n/a	
GetBelongsTo (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute BelongsTo .
Return values	BelongsTo : Player	
GetPointsIfCaptured (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute PointsIfCaptured .
Return values	PointsIfCaptured : Int	
GetSymbol (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute Symbol .
Return values	Symbol : String	
GetTypeOfPiece (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute TypeOfPiece .
Return values	TypeOfPiece : String	

Class: *Square*

Identifier / Data		Description
<<constructor>>		
Parameters	n/a	Initialises the following protected attributes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PieceInSquare to null• BelongsTo to null• Symbol to ‘ ‘
Return values	n/a	
ContainsKotla (public) <<overrideable>>		
Parameters	n/a	If the Symbol attribute is a ‘K’ or a ‘k’, this method returns true to confirm that there is a Kotla piece in this square, otherwise it returns false.
Return values	Boolean	
GetBelongsTo (public) << overrideable >>		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute BelongsTo .
Return values	BelongsTo : Player	
GetPieceInSquare (public) << overrideable >>		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute PieceInSquare .
Return values	PieceInSquare : Piece	

GetPointsForOccupancy (public) << overrideable >>		
Parameters	CurrentPlayer : Player	Base class method for the GetPointsForOccupancy() method in the Kotla class to override. If the method was not overridden, it would just return 0.
Return values	Integer	
GetSymbol (public) << overrideable >>		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute Symbol.
Return values	Symbol : String	
RemovePiece (public) << overrideable >>		
Parameters	n/a	Used for removing a piece from a square.
Return values	PieceToReturn : Piece	The method makes a temporary copy of the Piece in the attribute PieceInSquare in a local variable PieceToReturn, then sets the attribute to null to delete the piece in the square. It then returns the variable PieceToReturn.
SetPiece (public) << overrideable >>		
Parameters	P : Piece	Assigns the P parameter to the protected attribute PieceInSquare.
Return values	n/a	

Class: *Kotla* (inherits from *Square*)

Identifier / Data		Description
<<constructor>>		
Parameters	P : Player S : String	Initialises the following parent attributes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• BelongsTo from parameter P• Symbol from parameter S
Return values	n/a	
GetPointsForOccupancy (public) <<overrides>>		
Parameters	CurrentPlayer : Player	Overrides the GetPointsForOccupancy() method from the base class to return the score points when a square is occupied. The method checks first to see if there is a piece in the Kotla square. If there is not, the method returns zero points. If there is a piece in the Kotla square, the method then checks to see if the Kotla square belongs to the same player as the CurrentPlayer passed in as a parameter. If they match and the piece in the Kotla is either a Mirza or a standard piece also owned by the CurrentPlayer , the method returns five points. If Kotla square belongs to the CurrentPlayer , but there is no Mirza or standard piece in it, the method returns zero points. If the Kotla square belongs to the opponent player and the piece in it is either a Mirza or a standard piece owned by the CurrentPlayer , the method returns one point, otherwise it returns zero points.
Return values	Integer	

Class: *MoveOption*

Identifier / Data		Description
<<constructor>>		
Parameters	N : String	Initialises the following protected attributes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name from parameter N• PossibleMoves to an empty Move list
Return values	n/a	
AddToPossibleMoves (public)		
Parameters	M : Move	Adds the M parameter to the protected PossibleMoves list.
Return values	n/a	
CheckIfThereIsAMoveToSquare (public)		
Parameters	StartSquareReference : Int FinishSquareReference : Int	Used to check if the start and finish locations supplied by the player are valid start and finish locations for this MoveOption . The method initialises four local variables, StartRow and StartColumn together with FinishRow and FinishColumn . The method uses DIV to split off the StartRow and MOD to split off the StartColumn from the StartSquareReference parameter. It then uses the same techniques to split off the FinishRow and FinishColumn from the FinishSquareReference parameter. The method then iterates through each Move in the PossibleMoves list checking if the StartRow , StartColumn and FinishRow , FinishColumn combination represent a valid move for one of the possible positions a piece could move to.
Return values	Boolean	
GetName (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute Name .
Return values	Name : String	

Class: *Move*

Identifier / Data		Description
<<constructor>>		
Parameters	R : Int C : Int	Initialises the following protected attributes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• RowChange from parameter R• ColumnChange from parameter C
Return values	n/a	
GetRowChange (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute RowChange .
Return values	RowChange : Int	
GetColumnChange (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute ColumnChange .
Return values	ColumnChange : Int	

Class: *MoveOptionQueue*

This class does not have a specific constructor and therefore uses the default constructor

Identifier / Data		Description
<<constructor>>		
Parameters	n/a	Initialises the Queue private attribute to an empty MoveOption list.
Return values	n/a	
Add (public)		
Parameters	NewMoveOption : MoveOption	Adds the NewMoveOption parameter to the protected Queue list.
Return values	n/a	
GetMoveOptionInPosition (public)		
Parameters	Pos : Int	Returns the MoveOption at the index Pos in the Queue list.
Return values	MoveOption	
GetQueueAsString (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Initialises a local empty string variable QueueAsString and a local integer variable Count which it assigns 1. The method then iterates through the Queue list concatenating the Count variable together with the name of each Move in the Queue (using the GetName() method), incrementing the Count variable on each loop. The method then returns the QueueAsString variable.
Return values	QueueAsString : String	
MoveItemToBack (public)		
Parameters	Position : Int	Used for moving a MoveOption to the back of the Queue list. The method makes a temporary copy of the MoveOption at the index Position in the Queue list. The method then uses the static method RemoveAt() on the Queue list to remove the MoveOption at the index Position . It then appends the temporary copy of the MoveOption back into the Queue list which has the effect of placing it at the end of the queue.
Return values	n/a	
Replace (public)		
Parameters	Position : Int NewMoveOption : MoveOption	Assigns the NewMoveOption parameter into the Queue list at the index given in the Position parameter.
Return values	n/a	

Class: *Player*

Identifier / Data		Description
<<constructor>>		
Parameters	N : String D : Int	Initialises the following protected attributes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Score to 100Name from parameter NDirection from parameter D
Return values	n/a	
AddToMoveOptionQueue (public)		
Parameters	NewMoveOption : MoveOption	Adds the NewMoveOption parameter to the private Queue attribute.
Return values	n/a	
ChangeScore (public)		
Parameters	Amount : Int	Increments the protected attribute Score by the Amount parameter.
Return values	n/a	
CheckPlayerMove (public)		
Parameters	Pos : Int StartSquareReference : Int FinishSquareReference : Int	Used to check if a move selected by a player is valid by using the CheckIfThereIsAMoveToSquare() method. The method creates a temporary move object for the move selected from the player queue using the Pos parameter. The method then passes the StartSquareReference and FinishSquareReference parameters to the CheckIfThereIsAMoveToSquare() method to confirm if the references represent a valid move within the selected move option.
Return values	Boolean	
GetDirection (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute Direction .
Return values	Direction : Int	
GetName (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute Name .
Return values	Name : String	
GetPlayerStateAsString (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Used to expose the GetQueueAsString() method in the MoveOptionQueue class to the Dastan class through the player. The method returns a concatenation of the player score attribute and the player queue represented as a single string using the GetQueueAsString() method.
Return values	String	
GetScore (public)		
Parameters	n/a	Returns the value of the protected attribute Score .
Return values	Score : Int	

SameAs (public)		
Parameters	APlayer : Player	Used to check if the APlayer parameter is the same as this player object.
Return values	Boolean	
		<p>The method first checks to confirm if an actual player object has been passed as a parameter and returns false if it is null.</p> <p>If not, the method compares the name of the APlayer parameter with the name of this player object. If they match, the method returns true as this represents that they are the same player, otherwise it returns false.</p>
UpdateMoveOptionQueueWithOffer (public)		
Parameters	Position : Int NewMoveOption : MoveOption	Used to expose the Replace() method in the MoveOptionQueue class to the Dastan class through the player.
Return values	n/a	
		The method calls the Replace() method on the player queue, passing the Position and NewMoveOption parameters. This will replace the move option as the index of Position with the NewMoveOption parameter.
UpdateQueueAfterMove (public)		
Parameters	Position : Int	Used to expose the MoveItemToBack() method in the MoveOptionQueue class to the Dastan class through the player.
Return values	n/a	
		The method calls the MoveItemToBack() method on the player queue passing the Position parameter minus one to make it zero bound. This will cause the move option at that index in the player queue to be moved to the back of the queue.