

Creating a Chess Player Part 3:

Chess 0.5 (continued)

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Listing 1: The second half of Chess 0.5, written in Pascal. This portion of the program covers evaluation of terminal nodes, the look-ahead procedure and user commands (listing 1 continued on page 146).

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PROCEDURE EVALUB; (* EVALUATE CURRENT POSITION *)
VAR
  INTV : TV; (* SCORE *)

FUNCTION EVKING
  (A:RS;
   B:RS):TV; (* EVALUATE KING *)
  (* KING BIT BOARD *)
  (* FRIENDLY PAWN BIT BOARD *)
VAR
  INTS : TS; (* SCRATCH *)
  INRS : RS; (* SCRATCH *)
  INTV : TV; (* SCRATCH *)
BEGIN
  ANDRS(INRS,A,CORNR);
  IF MULRS(INRS) THEN (* KING NOT IN CORNER *)
    INTV := 0
  ELSE
    INTV := FKSANQ; (* KING SAFELY IN CORNER *)

  INRS := A;
  IF NXTTS(INRS,INTS) THEN
    BEGIN
      ANDRS(INRS,ATKFR(INTS),B); (* FIND PAWNS NEXT TO KING *)
      INTV := INTV + CNTRS(INRS)*FKPSHD; (* CREDIT EACH CLOSE PAWN *)
    END;

  EVKING := INTV; (* RETURN KING SCORE *)
END; (* EVKING *)

FUNCTION EVMOBL
  (A,B:TP):TV; (* EVALUATE MOBILITY *)
  (* PIECE TYPES TO EVALUATE *)
VAR
  INRS : RS; (* SCRATCH *)
  INTS : TS; (* SCRATCH *)
  INTV : TV; (* SCRATCH *)
BEGIN
  IORRS(INRS,TPLOC(A),TPLOC(B)); (* MERGE PIECE TYPES *)
  INTV := 0; (* INITIALIZE COUNT *)
  WHILE NXTTS(INRS,INTS) DO (* COUNT ATTACKS *)
    INTV := INTV + CNTRS(ATKFR(INTS));
  EVMOBL := INTV; (* RETURN TOTAL ATTACKS *)
END; (* EVMOBL *)

FUNCTION EVPAWN
  (A:RS;
   B:TE;
   C:TR):TV; (* EVALUATE PAWNS *)
  (* LOCATION OF PAWNS *)
  (* PAWN FORWARD DIRECTION *)
  (* PAWN HOME RANK *)
VAR
  INRS : RS; (* SCRATCH *)
  INRS : RS; (* SCRATCH *)
  INTS : TS; (* SCRATCH *)
  INTV : TV; (* SCRATCH *)
BEGIN
  SFTRS(INRS,A,S1);
  ANDRS(INRS,INRS,A); (* BIT SET FOR SIDE BY SIDE *)
  INTV := CNTRS(INRS)*FPFLNX; (* SCORE PHALANX *)

  SFTRS(INRS,A,B1);
  ANDRS(INRS,INRS,A); (* BIT SET FOR PAWN DEFENSE *)
  INTV := INTV + CNTRS(INRS)*FPCONN; (* CREDIT CONNECTED PAWNS *)

  SFTRS(INRS,A,B2);
  ANDRS(INRS,INRS,A); (* AND OTHER CONNECTED PAWNS *)
  INTV := INTV + CNTRS(INRS)*FPCONN;

  SFTRS(INRS,A,B);
  NOTRS(INRS,TPLOC(MT)); (* MOVE FORWARD *)
  ANDRS(INRS,INRS,INRS); (* OCCUPIED SQUARES *)
  INTV := INTV - CNTRS(INRS)*FPBLOK; (* BLOCKED PAWNS *)
  (* PENALIZE BLOCKED PAWNS *)

  CPYRS(INRS,A);
  WHILE NXTTS(INRS,INTS) DO (* FOR EACH PAWN *)
    INTV := INTV + (ABS(ORD(C)-ORD(XTSR(INTS))))*FPADCR(XTSF(INTS)); (* CREDIT PAWN ADVANCEMENT *)
  EVPAWN := INTV; (* RETURN PAWN SCORE *)
END; (* EVPAWN *)
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This month we conclude the listing and commentary of Chess 0.5 begun last issue. The program was written by Larry Atkin, who is coauthor with David Slate of the world championship chess program, Chess 4.6. The program is readily adaptable to personal computers having Pascal systems such as the UCSD Pascal project software. Part 4 concludes the series with a discussion of chess strategy and tactics.

Evaluating Terminal Positions

Another important aspect of any chess program is the function which provides a static evaluation of terminal positions in the look-ahead tree. In the present program, this routine also doubles as a preliminary scoring function for sorting moves at the first ply, at the beginning of the look-ahead search. Since the evaluation function is used repetitively in the search, efficiency demands that it be carefully engineered. We have left this task as an exercise for the reader. Our function presently includes only a few basic essentials.

The most important feature is material. We employ essentially the same function for this that is used by Chess 4.5. A trade-down bonus is also incorporated, ie: trade pieces but not pawns when ahead in material. A second feature which is considered is piece mobility. The mobility of Knights and Bishops is weighted more heavily than that for Rooks and Queens. Special credit is given to a King which is located in one of the four corner squares in each corner of the board, ie: 16 squares total. This encourages early castling. Pawn structure is considered by providing a bonus for advancing the pawns in the four center files, for having a pawn near the King, and for having a pawn adjacent to or defended by another pawn. This indirectly penalizes isolated or backward pawns. There is a direct penalty

if the square in front of a pawn is occupied. The position of the Rooks is considered by providing a bonus for placing a Rook on the seventh rank and for attacking another Rook of the same color (ie: doubled Rooks). The executive routine for these assessments is EVALU8.

The Look-Ahead Procedure

The look-ahead procedure is controlled by an executive routine called SEARCH. Several subprocedures are also defined which handle specific tasks. NEWBST keeps track of the move which is currently thought to be best, and dynamically re-orders the moves at the first ply level each time a new best-move is selected. MINMAX determines whether the move under consideration will produce an α - β cutoff. SCOREM is called into action when the program can find no legal moves at a node. It determines whether the position should be scored as a checkmate or as a stalemate. SELECT is responsible for move ordering at each node. It determines whether there are any more moves to be searched and if so, makes sure that they are generated in the correct order (ie: captures, killers, castling moves, and then the remaining moves).

SEARCH incorporates a number of important features which make the look-ahead search more efficient. These include staged move generation, preliminary ordering scores, setting a narrow α - β window at the beginning of the search, conducting the search in an iterative fashion, and dynamically recording moves at the first ply as the search proceeds. Because of these features, the full-width search takes a long time instead of taking forever.

User Commands

For the user's convenience, the program should be able to respond to a few simple commands. Inputs to the program are processed by a lengthy routine, READER, which has many component subprocedures. The translation of the input string is handled by a group of routines: RDRERR, RDRGNT, RDRSFT, RDRCMP, RDLIN, RDRMOV and RDRNUM. Each of the commands is executed by a separate routine.

When the human player wishes to terminate the game before it has reached its conclusion (eg: when he is hopelessly lost and does not want to stay around to be crushed), he can simply type an END command and the ENDCMD routine will terminate the program. If the user simply wishes to start a new game, he can type INIT and the INICMD routine will set up for a new game.

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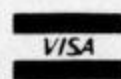
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If the user would like to set up a specific position from the previous game or some other game, he can call the BOACMD routine, which will set up any position he desires. To use this instruction, the pieces are designated in the standard way (eg: K, Q, R, B, N and P) and the colors are designated by L for light and D for dark. The board is described by starting at the lower lefthand corner and listing, row by row, the 64 squares. Numbers are used to represent consecutive empty squares. The command to set up the position after 1. P-K4, P-K4, 2. N-KB3, N-QB3 is: BOARD, LRNBQKB1 RPPPP1PPP5N24P34DP33N4PPPP1PPPR1B QKBNR.

If the human player is lazy or simply wishes to test the program, he or she can type GO and the machine will select a move. By repeatedly typing GO the user can sit back and watch the machine play against itself. The routine that handles this is GONCMD. To specify a value for selected program parameter variables, the player can use LETCMD. For example, the amount of time the machine spends calculating a move can be controlled by specifying a limit for the number of nodes to be searched. The command LET FNODEL = 1000 will cause the machine to set a target value of 1000 for the number of nodes to be searched. In this case it will not start another iteration if it has already searched 1000 nodes. If the user is confused about the current board configuration, the command PRINT will activate PRICMD which calls PRINTB for a representation (8 by 8 array) of the board. For diagnostic purposes the user can also ask for other information. The routine PAMCMD is activated by PB and provides an 8 by 8 attack map for each of the 64 squares. The routine POPCMD is activated by PO and gives information concerning the side to move (White or Black), the en passant status after the last move, the present castle status and the move number. If the user types PM, the routine PMVCMD will provide a list of all moves which are legal for the side to move in the current position. The command PL activates PLECMD which prints the value of a designated variable; for example, the user can determine the present limit for the number of nodes to be searched by typing PL FNODEL.

The user also has control over several switches. He can ask the machine to repeat (echo) each entry, to pause after 20 lines of output, and to reply automatically each time the opponent enters a move. These switches are set by the switch commands (eg: SW EC OFF), and are processed by SWICMD. If the user wishes to manually alter one or more of the status conditions

(eg: side to move, move number, en passant, castling), this can be done by activating STACMD.

Notes on Notation

The program also processes standard chess notation. This is not strictly necessary. Many programs use their own convention for entering and reporting moves. A common procedure is to denote the squares using a number (1 through 8) for each row and a letter (A through H) for each column. A move is defined by listing the present square of the piece and then the destination square. For example, the common opening move, P-K4, would be E2E4. Moving the White Knight on the kingside from its original square to KB3 would be G1F3. This convention works nicely but it forces an experienced chess player to learn a new system. Most would prefer standard chess notation.

Because there are multiple ways to express the same move in standard notation, the translation routine needs to be fairly sophisticated. Consider a position in which the White Queen's Rook is on its original square and the neighboring Knight and Bishop have been moved. A move which

places the Rook on the Queen Bishop file can be designated as R-B1, R-QB1, R/1-B1, R/1-QB1, R/R1-B1, or R/R1-QB1. It is important that the program recognize that each of these character strings represents the same move. How is this done?

One way is to have the machine generate a list of all legal moves and then compare each of these with the move entered by the player. If his move matches one on the list, that move is noted. The rest of the list is then checked and if no more matches are found, the noted move is assumed to be the correct one. If no match is found, the machine prints "illegal move." If a second match is found (eg: P-B3 matches both P-KB3 and P-QB3), the machine prints "ambiguous move." The process of translating the opponent's move into machine compatible form and checking its legality or ambiguity is done by YRMOVE. The process of translating the machine's move into standard notation is handled by MYMOVE. Both of these procedures call MINENG, which is responsible for constructing the appropriating character strings.

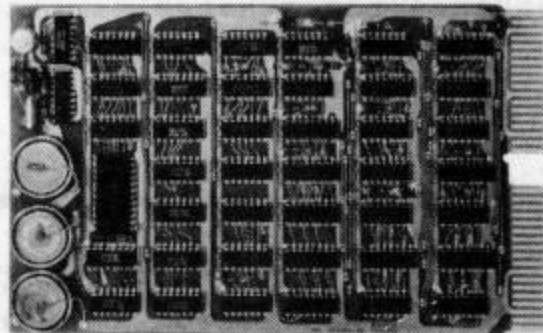
Final Thoughts

This completes our listing of our demonstration chess program. Despite the program's length, there are many desirable features which have been omitted. The reader with an interest in chess and programming should use this listing as a starting point for developing a program. The time required for move calculation can be reduced by writing machine dependent code for some of the frequently used routines. There are also features which can be added to improve the level of play.

One useful addition would be an opening library. An effective technique for this is described by Slate and Atkin in their chapter in *Chess Skill in Man and Machine* (P W Frey, editor, Springer-Verlag, New York, 1977). An opening library provides the user with a challenging set of opening moves and directs the game into situations which are familiar to the experienced chess player. By including various options at the early choice points and using a random selection procedure, the programmer can insure that the machine will not always select the same move sequence. The programmer can also give the user the option of specifying a particular opening against which he would like to practice. For important matches, the programmer can prepare surprise openings for the machine in order to gain a psychological edge on the opponent.

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FUNCTION EVROOK
  (AIRS:
  BIRS:ITV:
  (* EVALUATE ROOKS *)
  (* ROOK LOCATIONS *)
  (* SEVENTH RANK *)

  VAR
    INTV : TV;
    INTI : TI;
    INTS : TS;
    INRS : RS;
    (* SCRATCH *)
    (* SCRATCH *)
    (* SCRATCH *)
    (* SCRATCH *)

  BEGIN
    INTV := 0;
    INRS := A;
    IF NXTTS(INRS,INTS) THEN
      BEGIN
        ANDRS(INRS,A,ATKFR(INTS));
        IF NOT NULRS(INRS) THEN
          INTV := INTV + FROUBL;
          (* ROOK ATTACKS FRIENDLY ROOK *)
          (* GIVE DOUBLED ROOK CREDIT *)
        END;

        ANDRS(INRS,A,B);
        INTI := CNTRS(INRS);
        EVROOK := INTV + INTI*INTI*FRK7TH; (* CREDIT ROOKS ON SEVENTH *)
      END; (* EVROOK *)

  BEGIN
    IF XTHV(JNTH)*NBVAL(JNTK) + MAXPS <= BSTVL(JNTK-2) THEN
      (* MOVE WILL PRUNE ANYWAY *)
    ELSE
      BEGIN
        INTV := XTHV(JNTH) * NBVAL(JNTK)
        INTV := ( FMPANH*(EVPANH(TPLOC(LP),S2,R2)-EVPANH(TPLOC(OP),S4,R7))
          + FMHINH*(EVMOBL(LB,LN)-EVMOBL(DB,DH))
          + FMMAJH*(EVMOBL(LR,LQ)-EVMOBL(DR,DQ))
          + FMROOK*(EVROOK(TPLOC(LR),XRRS(R7))
            -EVROOK(TPLOC(DR),XRRS(R2))
          + FMKING*(EVKING(TPLOC(LK),TPLOC(LP))
            -EVKING(TPLOC(DK),TPLOC(OP))
          ) DIV 64;
        MAXPS := MAX(MAXPS,ABS(INTV));
        INTV := XTHV(JNTH)*(NBVAL(JNTK)+INTV);
      END;
      IF SMTR THEN
        BEGIN
          WRITE(" EVALU8",JNTK,JNTH,INDEX(JNTK),INTV);
          PRIMOV(MOVES[INDEX(JNTK)]);
        END;
        VALUE[INDEX(JNTK)] := INTV;
      END; (* EVALU8 *)

  FUNCTION SEARCH
    JTH:
    (* SEARCH LOOK-AHEAD TREE *)
    (* RETURNS THE BEST MOVE *)

  LABEL
    11,
    12,
    13,
    14,
    15,
    16;
    (* START NEW PLY *)
    (* TRY DIFFERENT FIRST MOVE *)
    (* FLOAT VALUE BACK UP *)
    (* FIND ANOTHER MOVE *)
    (* BACK UP A PLY *)
    (* EXIT SEARCH *)

  PROCEDURE NEWBST
    (ATK);
    (* SAVE BEST MOVE INFORMATION *)
    (* PLY OF BEST MOVE *)

  VAR
    INTM : TM;
    INRM : RM;
    (* MOVES INDEX *)
    (* SCRATCH *)

  BEGIN
    BSTMV(A) := INDEX(A+1);
    IF A = AK THEN
      BEGIN
        INRM := MOVES(BSTMV(A));
        FOR INTM := BSTMV(A)-1 DOWNTO AM+1 DO
          MOVES(INTM+1) := MOVES(INTM);
          MOVES(AM+1) := INRM;
          BSTMV(AK) := AM+1;
          (* SAVE BEST MOVE *)
          (* AT FIRST PLY *)
          (* MOVE OTHER MOVES DOWN *)
          (* PUT BEST AT BEGINNING *)
          (* POINTS TO BEST MOVE *)
        END
      ELSE
        IF NOT MOVES(BSTMV(A)).RMCA THEN
          KILLR(JNTK) := MOVES(BSTMV(A)); (* SAVE KILLER MOVE *)
        END; (* NEWBST *)

  FUNCTION MINMAX
    (ATK)
    ITB:
    (* PERFORM MINIMAX OPERATION *)
    (* PLY TO MINIMAX AT *)
    (* TRUE IF REFUTATION *)

  BEGIN
    MINMAX := FALSE;
    IF SMTR THEN
      WRITE(" MINMAX",A,-BSTVL(A-1),BSTVL(A),-BSTVL(A+1));
      IF -BSTVL(A+1) > BSTVL(A) THEN
        BEGIN
          BSTVL(A) := -BSTVL(A+1);
          NEWBST(A);
          MINMAX := BSTVL(A+1) <= BSTVL(A-1);
          (* SAVE BEST MOVE *)
          (* RETURN TRUE IF REFUTATION *)
        END
      IF SMTR THEN
        WRITE(" NEW BEST. PRUNE: ",BSTVL(A+1) <= BSTVL(A-1));
      END;
      IF SMTR THEN
        WRITELN;
      END; (* MINMAX *)

  PROCEDURE SCOREM;
    (* SCORE MATE *)

  BEGIN
    MOVES[INDEX(JNTK)].RMHT := TRUE;
    IF MOVES[INDEX(JNTK)].RMCH THEN
      (* INDICATE MATE *)
      (* CHECKMATE *)
      VALUE[INDEX(JNTK)] := 64*JNTK - ZV
    ELSE
      (* STALEMATE *)
      VALUE[INDEX(JNTK)] := 0;
      IF SMTR THEN
        WRITELN(" SCOREM",JNTK,JNTH,INDEX(JNTK),VALUE[INDEX(JNTK)]);
      END; (* SCOREM *)

  FUNCTION SELECT
    ITB:
    (* SELECT NEXT MOVE TO SEARCH *)
    (* TRUE IF MOVE RETURNED *)

  LABEL
    21,
    22;
    (* NEW SEARCH MODE *)
    (* EXIT SELECT *)

  VAR
    INTB : TB;
    INTK : TK;
    INTM : TM;
    INTN : TN;
    INTV : TV;
    (* RETURN VALUE *)
    (* SCRATCH *)
    (* MOVE INDEX *)
    (* SCRATCH *)
    (* SCRATCH *)

  PROCEDURE SELDON;
    (* SELECT EXIT - DONE.
    CALLED WHEN NO FURTHER
    MOVES ARE TO BE SEARCHED
    FROM THIS POSITION.
    THE CURRENT POSITION MUST
    HAVE BEEN EVALUATED. *)

  BEGIN
    INTB := FALSE;
    IF SMTR THEN
      WRITELN(" SELECT",JNTK," END.");
      GOTO 22;
    END; (* SELDON *)

  PROCEDURE SELMOV
    (* SELECT EXIT - SEARCH.
    CALLED WHEN A MOVE TO
    BE SEARCHED HAS BEEN
    FOUND. *)
    (ATN);
    (* INDEX TO SELECTED MOVE *)

  BEGIN
    INTB := TRUE;
    INDEX(JNTK+1) := A;
    MOVES(A).RMSU := TRUE;
    IF SMTR THEN
      BEGIN
        WRITE(" SELECT",JNTK,ORD(SRCHM(JNTK)),A);
        PRIMOV(MOVES(A));
      END;
      GOTO 22;
    END; (* SELMOV *)

  PROCEDURE SELNXT
    (* SELECT EXIT - NEW MODE.
    CALLED WHEN A NEW SEARCH
    MODE IS TO BE SELECTED *)
    (ATN);
    (* NEW SEARCH MODE *)

  BEGIN
    INDEX(JNTK+1) := LINDX(JNTK)-1;
    SRCHM(JNTK) := A;
    GOTO 21;
    END; (* SELNXT *)

  PROCEDURE SELANY;
    (* SEARCH ALREADY GENERATED
    AND NOT ALREADY SEARCHED *)

  VAR
    INTM : TM;
    (* MOVES INDEX *)

  BEGIN
    FOR INTM := INDEX(JNTK+1)+1 TO JNTH-1 DO
      IF NOT MOVES(INTM).RMSU THEN
        SELMOV(INTM);
      END; (* SELANY *)

  BEGIN
    21: (* NEW SEARCH MODE *)
    CASE SRCHM(JNTK) OF

      M0: (* INITIALIZE FOR NEW MOVE *)
        BEGIN
          MVSEL(JNTK) := 0;
          INTV := BSTVL(JNTK-2);
          BSTVL(JNTK-2) := -ZV;
          MAXPS := 0;
          (* CLEAR MOVES SEARCHED *)
          (* SAVE ALPHA *)
          (* INHIBIT PRUNING IN EVALU8 *)
          (* INITIALIZE MAXIMUM POSITIONAL SCORE *)
          GENALL;
          FOR INTM := AM+1 TO JNTH-1 DO
            BEGIN
              IF UPDATE(MOVES(INTM)) THEN
                BEGIN
                  INDEX(JNTK) := INTM;
                  EVALU8;
                  END;
                  ONDATE(MOVES(INTM));
                END;
                BSTVL(JNTK-2) := INTV;
                SORTIT(VALUE,MOVES,JNTH-1);
                FOR INTK := AK TO ZK DO
                  KILLR(INTK) := NULHV;
                END; (* MINMAX *)

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Listing 1, continued:

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IF SWTR OR SWPS THEN
  FOR INTM := AM+1 TO JNTM-1 DO
    BEGIN
      WRITE(" PRELIM",INTM,VALUE[INTM]);
      PRIMOV(MOVES[INTM]); (* PRINT PRELIMINARY SCORES *)
      IF INTM/LPP = INTM DIV LPP THEN
        PAUSER;
      END;
      SELNXT(M6); (* SEARCH ALL MOVES *)
    END;
  END;
H1: (* INITIALIZE AT NEW DEPTH *)
  BEGIN
    MVSEL(JNTK) := 0; (* CLEAR MOVES SEARCHED *)
    IF JNTK > JMTK THEN
      BEGIN
        EVALU8; (* EVALUATE CURRENT POSITION *)
        INDEX(JNTK+1) := AM;
        BSTVL(JNTK+1) := -VALUE[INDEX(JNTK)];
        IF MINMAX(JNTK) OR (JNTK = ZK) THEN
          SELDON; (* THIS MOVE PRUNES *)
          SRCHM(JNTK) := H2; (* CAPTURE SEARCH *)
        END;
        ELSE
          SRCHM(JNTK) := H3; (* CAPTURES IN FULL SEARCH *)
          GENCAP; (* GENERATE CAPTURES *)
          SELNXT(SRCHM(JNTK)); (* CHANGE SEARCH MODE *)
        END;
      END;
H2: (* CAPTURE SEARCH *)
  BEGIN
    INTM := AM; (* BEST MOVE POINTER *)
    INTV := AV; (* BEST VALUE *)
    FOR INTM := LINDX(JNTK) TO JNTM-1 DO
      WITH MOVES[INTM] DO
        IF NOT RMSU THEN
          IF ABS(XTPV(RMCP)) > INTV THEN
            BEGIN
              INTV := ABS(XTPV(RMCP));
            END;
          INTM := INTM;
        END;
      IF INTM <> AM THEN
        SELMOV(INTM) (* SELECT BIGGEST CAPTURE *)
      ELSE
        SELDON; (* QUIT *)
      END;
    END;
H3: (* FULL WIDTH SEARCH - CAPTURES *)
  BEGIN
    INTM := AM; (* BEST MOVE POINTER *)
    INTV := AV; (* BEST VALUE *)
    FOR INTM := LINDX(JNTK) TO JNTM-1 DO
      WITH MOVES[INTM] DO
        IF NOT RMSU THEN
          IF ABS(XTPV(RMCP)) > INTV THEN
            BEGIN
              INTV := ABS(XTPV(RMCP));
            END;
          INTM := INTM;
        END;
      IF INTM <> AM THEN
        SELMOV(INTM) (* SELECT BIGGEST CAPTURE *)
      ELSE
        IF NOT NULMVB(KILLR(JNTK)) THEN
          BEGIN
            INTM := JNTM; (* SAVE CURRENT MOVES INDEX *)
            GENFSL(XRSS(KILLR(JNTK),RMFR)); (* GENERATE MOVE BY KILLER *)
            SRCHM(JNTK) := H4; (* SET NEXT SEARCH MODE *)
            FOR INTM := INTM TO JNTM-1 DO
              (* LOOK AT MOVES BY KILLER *)
              IF KILLR(JNTK).RMT0 = MOVES[INTM].RMT0 THEN
                SELMOV(INTM); (* SELECT KILLER MOVE *)
              END;
            SELNXT(M4); (* GO TO NEXT STATE *)
          END;
        END;
      END;
H4: (* INITIALIZE SCAN OF CASTLE MOVES AND OTHER MOVES
      BY KILLER PIECE *)
  BEGIN
    GENCAS; (* GENERATE CASTLE MOVES *)
    SELNXT(M5); (* GO TO NEXT STATE *)
  END;
H5: (* FULL WIDTH SEARCH - CASTLES AND OTHER MOVES BY KILLER
      PIECE *)
  BEGIN
    SELANY; (* SELECT ANY MOVE *)
    GENFSL(ALLOC(JNTK)); (* GENERATE REMAINING MOVES *)
    SELNXT(M6); (* NEXT SEARCH MODE *)
  END;
H6: (* FULL WIDTH SEARCH - REMAINING MOVES *)
  BEGIN
    SELANY; (* SELECT ANYTHING ON LIST *)
    IF MVSEL(JNTK) = 0 THEN
      SCOREM; (* SCORE MATE *)
      SELDON; (* EXIT SELECT *)
    END;
H7: (* RESEARCH FIRST PLY *)
  BEGIN
    JNTM := LINDX(AK+1); (* POINT TO ALREADY GENERATED
      MOVES *)
    MVSEL(AK) := 0; (* RESET MOVES SEARCHED *)
    FOR INTM := AM+1 TO JNTM-1 DO
      MOVES[INTM].RMSU := FALSE; (* CLEAR SEARCHED BIT *)
    END;
    IF SWTR THEN
      WRITELN(" REDO ",JMTK,BSTVL(AK-2),BSTVL(AK-1));
      SELNXT(M6); (* SEARCH ALL MOVES *)
    END;
  END;

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22: (* SELECT EXIT *)
  SELECT := INT8; (* RETURN VALUE *)
  END; (* SELECT *)

BEGIN (* SEARCH *)
  BSTMV(AK) := AM; (* INITIALIZE MOVE *)
  INDEX(JNTK) := AM; (* INITIALIZE TREE *)
  MOVES[AM] := LSTMV; (* INITIALIZE MOVE *)
  EVALU8; (* INITIAL GUESS AT SCORE *)
  BSTVL(AK-2) := VALUE[AM] - WINDOW; (* INITIALIZE ALPHA-BETA
    WINDOW *)
  BSTVL(AK-1) := -VALUE[AM] - WINDOW; (* INITIALIZE ITERATION NUMBER *)
  JMTK := AK+1;
  WHILE (MOVES < FMODEL) AND (JMTK < MAX(ZK DIV 2, ZK-8)) DO
    BEGIN
      11: (* START NEW PLY *)
        BSTVL(JNTK) := BSTVL(JNTK-2); (* INITIALIZE ALPHA *)
      12: (* DIFFERENT FIRST MOVE *)
        IF NOT SELECT THEN
          BEGIN
            BSTVL(JNTK) := VALUE[INDEX(JNTK)];
            NEWBST(JNTK);
          END;
          ELSE
            BEGIN
              IF UPDATE(MOVES[INDEX(JNTK+1)]) THEN
                GOTO 11; (* START NEW PLY *)
              ELSE
                BEGIN
                  DNDATE(MOVES[INDEX(JNTK)]);
                  GOTO 12; (* FIND ANOTHER MOVE *)
                END;
            END;
          13: (* FLOAT VALUE BACK *)
            IF MINMAX(JNTK) THEN
              GOTO 15; (* PRUNE *)
            14: (* FIND ANOTHER MOVE AT THIS PLY *)
              IF SELECT THEN
                IF UPDATE(MOVES[INDEX(JNTK+1)]) THEN
                  GOTO 11; (* START NEW PLY *)
                ELSE
                  BEGIN
                    DNDATE(MOVES[INDEX(JNTK)]);
                    GOTO 14; (* FIND ANOTHER MOVE *)
                  END;
                END;
              END;
            15: (* BACK UP A PLY *)
              IF JNTK > AK THEN
                BEGIN (* NOT DONE WITH ITERATION *)
                  DNDATE(MOVES[INDEX(JNTK)]); (* RETRACT MOVE *)
                  GOTO 13;
                END;
              (* DONE WITH ITERATION *)
              IF (BSTVL(AK) <= BSTVL(AK-2)) OR (BSTVL(AK) >= -BSTVL(AK-1)) THEN
                BEGIN (* NO MOVE FOUND *)
                  IF MVSEL(AK) = 0 THEN
                    BEGIN (* NO LEGAL MOVES *)
                      GOTO 16; (* GIVE UP *)
                    END;
                    BSTVL(AK-2) := -ZV; (* SET ALPHA-BETA WINDOW LARGE *)
                    BSTVL(AK-1) := -ZV;
                    SRCHM(AK) := H7;
                    JNTM := AK+1;
                    GOTO 11; (* TRY AGAIN *)
                  END;
                  BSTVL(AK-2) := BSTVL(AK) - WINDOW; (* SET ALPHA BETA WINDOW *)
                  BSTVL(AK-1) := -BSTVL(AK) - WINDOW;
                  JMTK := JNTK+1; (* ADVANCE ITERATION NUMBER *)
                  SRCHM(AK) := H7;
                END;
              END;
            16: (* EXIT SEARCH *)
              SEARCH := BSTMV(AK); (* RETURN BEST MOVE *)
              END; (* SEARCH *)

PROCEDURE READER; (* READ INPUT FROM USER *)

LABEL
  11; (* COMMAND FINISHED EXIT *)

VAR
  INRA : RA; (* SCRATCH TOKEN *)
  INTJ : TJ; (* ECHO COMMAND INDEX *)

PROCEDURE RDRERR(A:RN); (* PRINT DIAGNOSTIC AND EXIT *)

VAR
  INTJ : TJ; (* STRING INDEX *)
  INTN : TN; (* MESSAGE INDEX *)

BEGIN
  IF NOT SWEC THEN
    BEGIN
      WRITE(" ");
      FOR INTJ := AJ TO ZJ-1 DO
        WRITE(ILINE[INTJ]); (* WRITE INPUT LINE *)
      WRITELN;
    END;
    FOR INTJ := AJ TO JNTJ DO
      WRITE(" ");
      WRITELN(" "); (* LEADING BLANKS BEFORE ARROW *)
      FOR INTN := AN TO ZN DO
        WRITE(A[INTN]); (* WRITE DIAGNOSTIC *)
      WRITELN;
      GOTO 11; (* COMMAND EXIT *)
    END;
  END; (* RDRERR *)

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FUNCTION RDRGHT (VAR #IRA) : TB;
    (* GET NEXT TOKEN FROM COMMAND
    RETURNS TOKEN IN A.
    RETURNS TRUE IF NON-EMPTY
    TOKEN.
    A TOKEN IS ANY CONSECUTIVE
    COLLECTION OF ALPHANUMERIC
    CHARACTERS.
    LEADING SPECIAL CHARACTERS
    IGNORED. *)

    VAR
        INTJ : TJ;
        (* STRING INDEX *)

    BEGIN
        WHILE (JNTJ < ZJ) AND (ORD(ILINE(JNTJ)) >= ORD(" ")) DO
            JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
        A := " ";
        INTJ := AA;
        WHILE (JNTJ < ZJ) AND (INTJ < ZA) AND (ILINE(JNTJ) IN ["A".."9"]) DO
            BEGIN
                A[INTJ] := ILINE(JNTJ);
                (* COPY CHARACTER TO TOKEN *)
                INTJ := INTJ+1;
                (* ADVANCE POINTERS *)
                JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
            END;
            RDRGHT := INTJ <> AA;
            (* RETURN TRUE IF ANYTHING
            MOVED *)
            WHILE (INTJ < ZJ) AND (ILINE(JNTJ) IN ["A".."9"]) DO
                JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
                (* SKIP REST OF TOKEN *)
            END;
            (* RDRGHT *)
        END;

PROCEDURE RDRSFT;
    (* SKIP FIRST TOKEN IN COMMAND
    LINE *)

    VAR
        INRA : RA;
        INTB : TB;
        (* SCRATCH *)
        (* SCRATCH *)

    BEGIN
        JNTJ := AJ;
        INTB := RDRGHT(INRA);
        (* INITIALIZE SCAN *)
        (* THROW AWAY FIRST TOKEN *)
    END;
    (* RDRSFT *)

PROCEDURE RDRCHD
    (* TEST FOR AND EXECUTE COMMAND
    EXITS TO COMMAND EXIT IF
    COMMAND IS PROCESSED. *)

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    (* POTENTIAL COMMAND KEYWORD *)
    (* PROCEDURE TO EXECUTE
    COMMAND *)

    BEGIN
        IF INRA = A THEN
            BEGIN
                XXXCHD;
                GOTO 11;
            END;
            (* RDRCHD *)
        END;

PROCEDURE RDLIN;
    (* GET NEXT INPUT LINE FROM
    USER *)

    VAR
        INTC : TC;
        INTJ : TJ;
        (* SCRATCH *)
        (* STRING INDEX *)

    BEGIN
        READLN;
        INTJ := AJ;
        WHILE NOT EOLN AND (INTJ < ZJ) DO
            BEGIN
                READ(ICARD(INTJ));
                INTJ := INTJ+1;
                (* ADVANCE TO NEXT LINE *)
            END;
            (* COPY INPUT LINE *)
            WHILE NOT EOLN DO
                READ(INTC);
                (* SKIP REST OF INPUT LINE *)
            END;
            WHILE INTJ < ZJ DO
                BEGIN
                    ICARD(INTJ) := " ";
                    INTJ := INTJ+1;
                    (* BLANK REST OF LINE *)
                END;
                ICARD(ZJ) := ":";
                (* SET END OF COMMAND *)
                JNTJ := AJ;
                (* RESET INPUT LINE POINTER *)
            END;
            (* RDLIN *)
        END;

FUNCTION RDRMOVITB;
    (* EXTRACT NEXT COMMAND
    FROM INPUT LINE.
    RETURNS TRUE IF NON-EMPTY
    COMMAND. *)

    VAR
        INTJ : TJ;
        (* STORING POINTER *)

    BEGIN
        WHILE (JNTJ < ZJ) AND (ICARD(JNTJ) = " ") DO
            JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
            (* SKIP LEADING BLANKS *)
        INTJ := AJ;
        WHILE (JNTJ < ZJ) AND (ICARD(JNTJ) <> " ") DO
            BEGIN
                ILINE(INTJ) := ICARD(JNTJ);
                INTJ := INTJ+1;
                JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
                (* BLANK FILL LINE *)
            END;
            IF (ICARD(JNTJ) = ":") AND (JNTJ < ZJ) THEN
                JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
                (* SKIP SEMI-COLON *)
                RDRMOV := INTJ <> AJ;
                (* RETURN TRUE IF NON-EMPTY *)
            END;
            ILINE(ZJ) := ":";
            (* STORE COMMAND TERMINATOR *)
            JNTJ := AJ;
            (* PRESET COMMAND SCAN *)
        END;
        (* RDRMOV *)
    END;

FUNCTION RDRNUMIT;
    (* CRACK NUMBER FROM COMMAND
    LINE. RETURNS NUMBER IF NO
    ERROR. EXITS TO COMMAND EXIT
    IF ERROR. *)

    VAR
        INTB : TB;
        INTI : TI;
        (* SIGN *)
        (* VALUE *)

    BEGIN
        WHILE (JNTJ < ZJ) AND (ILINE(JNTJ) = " ") DO
            JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
            (* SKIP LEADING BLANKS *)
        IF ILINE(JNTJ) = "-" THEN
            BEGIN
                INTB := TRUE;
                JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
                (* NUMBER IS NEGATIVE *)
                (* ADVANCE CHARACTER POINTER *)
            END;
            BEGIN
                INTB := FALSE;
                IF ILINE(JNTJ) = "+" THEN
                    JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
                    (* NUMBER IS POSITIVE *)
                    (* SKIP LEADING + *)
                END;
                INTI := 0;
                WHILE ILINE(JNTJ) IN ["0".."9"] DO
                    BEGIN
                        IF INTI < MAXINT/10 THEN
                            INTI := 10*INTI+ORD(ILINE(JNTJ))-ORD("0");
                        ELSE
                            RDRERR(" NUMBER TOO LARGE ");
                            JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
                            (* ADVANCE *)
                        END;
                        IF ILINE(JNTJ) IN ["A".."Z"] THEN
                            RDRERR(" DIGIT EXPECTED ");
                            IF INTB THEN
                                INTI := -INTI;
                                (* COMPLEMENT IF NEGATIVE *)
                                RDRNUM := INTI;
                                (* RETURN NUMBER *)
                            END;
                            (* RDRNUM *)
                        END;
                    END;
                END;
            END;
            (* RDRNUM *)
        END;

PROCEDURE BOACHD;
    (* COMMAND - SET UP POSITION *)

    VAR
        INTH : TH;
        INTS : TS;
        (* COLOR *)
        (* POSITION ON BOARD *)

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PROCEDURE BOAADV(A:TI);          (* ADVANCE N FILES *)
BEGIN
  IF INTS+A < ZS THEN
    INTS := INTS+A
  ELSE
    INTS := ZS;
  END; (* BOAADV *)

PROCEDURE BOASTO(A:TP);          (* STORE PIECE ON BOARD *)
BEGIN
  BOARD.RBIS(INTS) := A;
  IF INTS < ZS THEN
    INTS := INTS+1;
  END; (* BOASTO *)

BEGIN (* BOACHD *)
  CLSTAT;          (* CLEAR STATUS FLAGS *)
  LSTMV := NULMV;  (* CLEAR PREVIOUS MOVE *)
  FOR INTS := AS TO ZS DO
    BOARD.RBIS(INTS) := MT;  (* CLEAR BOARD *)
  INTM := LITE;
  INTS := 0;
  REPEAT
    IF ILINE(JNTJ) IN ("P","R","N","B","Q","K","L","O","I".."8") THEN
      CASE ILINE(JNTJ) OF
        "P": BOASTO(XTUMP(EP,INTM));
        "R": BOASTO(XTUMP(ER,INTM));
        "N": BOASTO(XTUMP(EN,INTM));
        "B": BOASTO(XTUMP(EB,INTM));
        "Q": BOASTO(XTUMP(EQ,INTM));
        "K": BOASTO(XTUMP(EK,INTM));
        "L": INTM := LITE;
        "O": INTM := DARK;
        "I": "2","3","4","5","6","7","8";
        BOAADV(ORD(ILINE(JNTJ))-ORD("0"));
      END
    ELSE
      IF ILINE(JNTJ) IN ("A".."9") THEN
        BEGIN
          FOR INTS := AS TO ZS DO
            BOARD.RBIS(INTS) := MT;
          CLSTAT;          (* CLEAR STATUS *)
          RDRERR(" ILLEGAL BOARD OPTION ");
        END;
        JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
        UNTIL JNTJ = ZJ;
      END; (* BOACHD *)

PROCEDURE ENDCHD;                (* COMMAND - END PROGRAM *)
BEGIN
  GOTO 9;          (* END PROGRAM *)
END; (* ENDCHD *)

PROCEDURE GONCHD;                (* COMMAND - GO N MOVES *)
BEGIN
  GOING := RDRNUM;  (* CRACK NUMBER *)
  IF GOING <= 0 THEN
    GOING := 1;
  GOTO 2;          (* EXECUTE MACHINES MOVE *)
END; (* GONCHD *)

PROCEDURE INICHD;                (* COMMAND - INITIALIZE FOR A NEW GAME *)
BEGIN
  GOTO 1;          (* INITIALIZE FOR A NEW GAME *)
END; (* INICHD *)

PROCEDURE LETCHD;                (* COMMAND - CHANGE VARIABLE *)
LABEL
  Z1;          (* LET COMMAND EXIT *)

PROCEDURE LETONE                  (* TEST FOR AND SET ONE VARIABLE *)
  (* VARIABLE NAME *)
  (* VARIABLE *)
  (A:RA;
  VAR B:TI);
BEGIN
  IF A = INRA THEN
    BEGIN
      B := RDRNUM;  (* GET VALUE *)
      GOTO Z1;      (* EXIT *)
    END;
  END; (* LETONE *)

BEGIN
  IF RDRGNT(INRA) THEN
    BEGIN
      LETONE("FKPSHD",FKPSHD);
      LETONE("FKSANQ",FKSANQ);
      LETONE("FMXHT",FMXHT);
      LETONE("FMODEL",FMODEL);
      LETONE("FPADQR",FPADQR(F1));
      LETONE("FPADQN",FPADQN(F2));
      LETONE("FPADQB",FPADQB(F3));
      LETONE("FPADQF",FPADQF(F4));
    END
  END

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      LETONE("FPADKF",FPADKF(F5));
      LETONE("FPADKB",FPADKB(F6));
      LETONE("FPADKN",FPADKN(F7));
      LETONE("FPADKR",FPADKR(F8));
      LETONE("FPBLOK",FPBLOK);
      LETONE("FPCONN",FPCONN);
      LETONE("FPFLNX",FPFLNX);
      LETONE("FRDUBL",FRDUBL);
      LETONE("FRK7TH",FRK7TH);
      LETONE("FTRADE",FTRADE);
      LETONE("FTRDSL",FTRDSL);
      LETONE("FTRPOK",FTRPOK);
      LETONE("FTRPWN",FTRPWN);
      LETONE("FMKING",FMKING);
      LETONE("FMMAJM",FMMAJM);
      LETONE("FMHINH",FMHINH);
      LETONE("FMPAWN",FMPAWN);
      LETONE("FMROOK",FMROOK);
      LETONE("WINDOW",WINDOW);
      RDRERR(" ILLEGAL LET VARIABLE NAME ");
    END;
  Z1; (* LET COMMAND EXIT *)
END; (* LETCHD *)

PROCEDURE PLECHD;                (* COMMAND - PRINT VARIABLE *)
LABEL
  Z1;          (* PRINT LET COMMAND EXIT *)

PROCEDURE PRIONE                  (* TEST FOR AND PRINT VARIABLE *)
  (* TEST VARIABLE NAME *)
  (* VARIABLE *)
  (A:RA;
  B:TI);
BEGIN
  IF INRA = A THEN
    BEGIN
      WRITELN(A,B);
      GOTO Z1;      (* EXIT *)
    END;
  END; (* PRIONE *)

BEGIN (* PLECHD *)
  WHILE RDRGNT(INRA) DO
    BEGIN
      PRIONE("FKPSHD",FKPSHD);
      PRIONE("FKSANQ",FKSANQ);
      PRIONE("FMXHT",FMXHT);
      PRIONE("FMODEL",FMODEL);
      PRIONE("FPADQR",FPADQR(F1));
      PRIONE("FPADQN",FPADQN(F2));
      PRIONE("FPADQB",FPADQB(F3));
      PRIONE("FPADQF",FPADQF(F4));
      PRIONE("FPADKF",FPADKF(F5));
      PRIONE("FPADKB",FPADKB(F6));
      PRIONE("FPADKN",FPADKN(F7));
      PRIONE("FPADKR",FPADKR(F8));
      PRIONE("FPBLOK",FPBLOK);
      PRIONE("FPCONN",FPCONN);
      PRIONE("FPFLNX",FPFLNX);
      PRIONE("FRDUBL",FRDUBL);
      PRIONE("FRK7TH",FRK7TH);
      PRIONE("FTRADE",FTRADE);
      PRIONE("FTRDSL",FTRDSL);
      PRIONE("FTRPOK",FTRPOK);
      PRIONE("FTRPWN",FTRPWN);
      PRIONE("FMKING",FMKING);
      PRIONE("FMMAJM",FMMAJM);
      PRIONE("FMHINH",FMHINH);
      PRIONE("FMPAWN",FMPAWN);
      PRIONE("FMROOK",FMROOK);
      PRIONE("WINDOW",WINDOW);
      RDRERR(" ILLEGAL VARIABLE NAME ");
    END;
  Z1; (* PRINT LET COMMAND EXIT *)
END; (* PLECHD *)

PROCEDURE PRICHD;                (* COMMAND - PRINT BOARD *)
BEGIN
  IF RDRGNT(INRA) THEN
    PRINTB(NBORD)
  ELSE
    PRINTB(BOARD.RBIS);
  END; (* PRICHD *)

PROCEDURE PANCHD;                (* COMMAND - PRINT ATTACK MAP *)
BEGIN
  WHILE RDRGNT(INRA) DO
    IF INRA(AA) = "T" THEN
      PRINAM(ATKTO)
    ELSE
      IF INRA(AA) = "F" THEN
        PRINAM(ATKFR)
      ELSE
        RDRERR(" ATTACK MAP NOT 'TO' OR 'FROM' ");
      END;
    END; (* PANCHD *)

PROCEDURE POPCHD;                (* COMMAND - PRINT OTHER STUFF *)
VAR
  INTQ : TQ;          (* CASTLE TYPE INDEX *)
BEGIN
  WITH BOARD DO
    BEGIN
      WRITELN(XTMAIRBTH," TO MOVE.");
    END

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WRITELN(RBTS," ENPASSANT.");
WRITELN("MOVE NUMBER",RBTI);
FOR INTQ := LS TO DL DO
  IF INTQ IN RBSQ THEN
    WRITELN(XTQA(INTQ)," SIDE CASTLE LEGAL.");
END;
END; (* POPCMD *)

PROCEDURE PMVCHD; (* COMMAND - PRINT MOVE LIST *)
VAR
  INTM : TM; (* MOVES LIST INDEX *)
BEGIN
  LSTMOV; (* LIST LEGAL MOVES *)
  FOR INTM := AM TO JNTM-1 DO
    BEGIN
      WRITE(INTM," ");
      PRIMOV(MOVES{INTM});
      IF INTM/LPP = INTM DIV LPP THEN
        PAUSER;
    END;
  END; (* PMVCHD *)

PROCEDURE SWCHD; (* COMMAND - FLIP SWITCH *)
LABEL
  21; (* SWITCH OPTION EXIT *)

PROCEDURE SWIONE (* PROCESS ONE SWITCH *)
  (AIRA: (* SWITCH NAME *)
   VAR BITB); (* SWITCH *)
VAR
  INTJ : TJ; (* SAVE COMMAND INDEX *)
BEGIN
  IF INRA = A THEN
    BEGIN
      INTJ := JNTJ; (* SAVE CURRENT POSITION *)
      IF RDRGNT(INRA) THEN
        BEGIN
          IF INRA = "ON" THEN
            B := TRUE; (* TURN SWITCH ON *)
          ELSE
            IF INRA = "OFF" THEN
              B := FALSE; (* TURN SWITCH OFF *)
            ELSE
              JNTJ := INTJ; (* RESTORE CURRENT POSITION *)
              PRISW(A,B); (* PRINT SWITCH VALUE *)
            END
          ELSE
            PRISW(A,B);
          GOTO 21; (* SWITCH OPTION EXIT *)
        END
      END;
    END;
  END; (* SWIONE *)

BEGIN (* SWCHD *)
  21; (* SWITCH OPTION EXIT *)
  WHILE RDRGNT(INFA) DO
    BEGIN
      SWIONE("EC",SWEC);
      SWIONE("PA",SWPA);
      SWIONE("PS",SWPS);
      SWIONE("RE",SWRE);
      SWIONE("SU",SWSU);
      SWIONE("TR",SWTR);
      RORERR(" INVALID SWITCH OPTION ");
    END;
  END; (* SWCHD *)

PROCEDURE STACHD; (* COMMAND - STATUS CHANGES *)
LABEL
  21; (* STATUS COMMAND OPTION EXIT *)
VAR
  INRA : RA; (* CURRENT TOKEN *)
  INTM : TM; (* SIDE BEING PROCESSED *)

PROCEDURE STAEPF (* PROCESS EP FILE *)
  (AIRA: (* TEST TOKEN *)
   BITF); (* EQUIVALENT FILE *)
BEGIN
  IF A = INRA THEN
    BEGIN
      IF INTM = LITE THEN
        BOARD.RBTS := XTRFS(R6,B);
      ELSE
        BOARD.RBTS := XTRFS(R3,B);
      GOTO 21; (* EXIT STATUS OPTION *)
    END;
  END; (* STAEPF *)

PROCEDURE STACAK; (* ALLOW CASTLE KING SIDE *)
BEGIN
  IF INTM = LITE THEN
    BOARD.RBSQ := BOARD.RBSQ + {LS};
  ELSE

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    BOARD.RBSQ := BOARD.RBSQ + {DS};
  END; (* STACAK *)

PROCEDURE STACAQ; (* ALLOW CASTLE QUEEN SIDE *)
BEGIN
  IF INTM = LITE THEN
    BOARD.RBSQ := BOARD.RBSQ + {LL};
  ELSE
    BOARD.RBSQ := BOARD.RBSQ + {DL};
  END; (* STACAQ *)

PROCEDURE STADRK; (* SET BLACK OPTIONS *)
BEGIN
  INTM := DARK;
END; (* STADRK *)

PROCEDURE STAENP; (* SET ENPASSANT FILE *)
BEGIN
  IF NOT RDRGNT(INRA) THEN
    BEGIN
      CLSTAT; (* CLEAR STATUS *)
      RORERR(" ENPASSANT FILE OMITTED ");
    END;
    STAEPF("QR",F1);
    STAEPF("QN",F2);
    STAEPF("QB",F3);
    STAEPF("Q",F4);
    STAEPF("K",F5);
    STAEPF("KB",F6);
    STAEPF("KH",F7);
    STAEPF("KR",F8);
    CLSTAT; (* CLEAR STATUS *)
    RORERR(" ILLEGAL ENPASSANT FILE ");
  END; (* STAENP *)

PROCEDURE STAGOS; (* SET SIDE TO MOVE *)
BEGIN
  BOARD.RBTM := INTM;
  JNTM := INTM;
END; (* STAGOS *)

PROCEDURE STALIT; (* SET WHITE OPTIONS *)
BEGIN
  INTM := LITE;
END; (* STALIT *)

PROCEDURE STANUM; (* SET MOVE NUMBER *)
BEGIN
  BOARD.RBTI := RORNUM;
END; (* STANUM *)

PROCEDURE STAOPT (* TEST STATUS OPTION *)
  (AIRA: (* TEST OPTION *)
   PROCEDURE STAXXX); (* PROCEDURE TO EXECUTE IF EQUAL *)
BEGIN
  IF INRA = A THEN
    BEGIN
      STAXXX; (* EXECUTE PROCEDURE *)
      GOTO 21; (* EXIT STATUS OPTION *)
    END;
  END; (* STAOPT *)

BEGIN (* STACHD *)
  CLSTAT; (* CLEAR STATUS *)
  INTM := LITE; (* DEFAULT SIDE WHITE *)
  21; (* STATUS OPTION EXIT *)
  WHILE RDRGNT(INRA) DO
    BEGIN
      STAOPT("D",STADRK);
      STAOPT("EP",STAENP);
      STAOPT("G",STAGOS);
      STAOPT("L",STALIT);
      STAOPT("M",STANUM);
      STAOPT("OO",STACAK);
      STAOPT("OOO",STACAQ);
      CLSTAT;
      RORERR(" INVALID STATUS OPTION ");
    END;
  END; (* STACHD *)

PROCEDURE WHACHD; (* COMMAND - WHAT? *)
BEGIN
  WRITELN(MOVMS); (* PRINT LAST MESSAGE *)
END; (* WHACHD *)

BEGIN (* READER *)
  11; (* COMMAND EXIT *)
  WHILE NOT RDRMOV DO
    ROLINE;

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Listing 1, continued:

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IF SWEC THEN
BEGIN
  WRITE(" ");
  FOR INTJ := AJ TO ZJ-1 DO
    WRITE(ILINE[INTJ]);
  WRITELN;
END;
IF ILINE[AJ+1] IN ["A".."M", "Y", "Z"] THEN
BEGIN
  INRA := " ";
  INRA[AA] := ILINE[AJ];
  INRA[AA+1] := ILINE[AJ+1];
  RORSFT;
  RORCMD("BO", "BOACMD");
  RORCMD("EN", "ENDCMD");
  RORCMD("GO", "GONCMD");
  RORCMD("IN", "INICMD");
  RORCMD("LE", "LETCMD");
  RORCMD("PB", "PAMCMD");
  RORCMD("PO", "POPCMD");
  RORCMD("PL", "PLECMD");
  RORCMD("PH", "PMVCMD");
  RORCMD("PR", "PRICMD");
  RORCMD("ST", "STACMD");
  RORCMD("SW", "SWICMD");
  RORCMD("WH", "WHACMD");
  RORERR(" INVALID COMMAND ");
END;
END; (* READER *)

PROCEDURE MINENG
  (AIRM;
  BIRA);
  VAR
    INTN : TN;
  BEGIN
    MOVMS(INTN) := A;
    IF INTN < ZN THEN
      INTN := INTN+1;
    END; (* ADDCHR *)

    PROCEDURE ADDSQR
      (AITS;
      BIRD);
    BEGIN
      WITH B DO
      BEGIN
        IF ROPC THEN
          ADDCHR(XTUC(XTPU[NBORD(A)]));
        IF RDSL THEN
          ADDCHR("/");
        IF RDKQ THEN
          IF XTSF(A) IN {F1..F4} THEN
            ADDCHR("Q");
          ELSE
            ADDCHR("K");
        IF RDNB THEN
          CASE XTSF(A) OF
            F1,F4: ADDCHR("R");
            F2,F7: ADDCHR("M");
            F3,F6: ADDCHR("B");
            F4: ADDCHR("Q");
            F5: ADDCHR("K");
          END;
        IF RDRK THEN
          IF JNTM = LITE THEN
            CASE XTSR(A) OF
              R1: ADDCHR("1");
              R2: ADDCHR("2");
              R3: ADDCHR("3");
              R4: ADDCHR("4");
              R5: ADDCHR("5");
              R6: ADDCHR("6");
              R7: ADDCHR("7");
              R8: ADDCHR("8");
            END;
          ELSE
            CASE XTSR(A) OF
              R1: ADDCHR("8");
              R2: ADDCHR("7");
              R3: ADDCHR("6");
              R4: ADDCHR("5");
              R5: ADDCHR("4");
              R6: ADDCHR("3");
              R7: ADDCHR("2");
              R8: ADDCHR("1");
            END;
          END;
        END;
      END;
    END; (* ADDSQR *)

    PROCEDURE ADDMRD
      (AIRA;
      BIRA);
    VAR
      INTA : TA;
    BEGIN
      FOR INTA := AA TO B DO
        ADDCHR(A[INTA]);
      END; (* ADDMRD *)
  END;
  (* GENERATE MINIMUM
  ENGLISH NOTATION *)
  (* MOVE TO NOTATE *)
  (* LEADING COMMENT *)

  (* MESSAGE INDEX *)

  (* ADD CHARACTER TO MESSAGE *)
  (* CHARACTER *)

  (* ADD CHARACTER *)

  (* ADVANCE POINTER *)

  (* ADD SQUARE TO MESSAGE *)
  (* SQUARE TO ADD *)
  (* SQUARE SYNTAX *)

  (* ADD WORD TO MESSAGE *)
  (* TEXT OF WORD *)
  (* LENGTH OF WORD *)

  (* CHARACTER INDEX *)

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FUNCTION DIFFER
  (A,B:RM)
  ITB;
  (* COMPARE MOVES *)
  (* MOVES TO COMPARE *)
  (* TRUE IF MOVES ARE DIFFERENT *)

  VAR
    INTB : TB;
  BEGIN
    INTB := (A.RMFR <> B.RMFR) OR
             (A.RMTO <> B.RMTO) OR
             (A.RMCP <> B.RMCP);
    IF A.RMPR = B.RMPR THEN
      IF A.RMPR THEN
        DIFFER := INTB OR (A.RMPP <> B.RMPP);
      ELSE
        IF A.RMOQ = B.RMOQ THEN
          IF A.RMOO THEN
            DIFFER := INTB OR (A.RMQS <> B.RMQS);
          ELSE
            DIFFER := INTB;
        ELSE
          DIFFER := TRUE;
        END;
      ELSE
        DIFFER := TRUE;
      END;
    END; (* DIFFER *)

  PROCEDURE SETSQD
    (* DEFINE SPECIFIC SQUARE
    DESCRIPTOR *)
    (* SQUARE TO DESCRIBE *)
    (* SYNTAX TO USE *)
    (* SET OF POSSIBLE RANKS *)
    (* SET OF POSSIBLE FILES *)
    (AITS;
    BIRD;
    VAR C:SR;
    VAR D:SF);
  BEGIN
    C := {R1..R8};
    D := {F1..F8};
    WITH B DO
    BEGIN
      IF RDKQ AND RDNB THEN
        D := {XTSF(A)};
      IF (NOT RDKQ) AND RDNB THEN
        CASE XTSF(A) OF
          F1,F4: D := {F1,F4};
          F2,F7: D := {F2,F7};
          F3,F6: D := {F3,F6};
          F4: D := {F4};
          F5: D := {F5};
        END;
      IF RDRK THEN
        C := {XTSR(A)};
      END;
    END;
    END; (* SETSQD *)

  PROCEDURE MINGEN
    (* PRODUCE MINIMUM
    ENGLISH NOTATION FOR
    MOVES AND CAPTURES *)
    (* MOVE OR CAPTURE *)
    (* FIRST SYNTAX TABLE ENTRY *)
    (* LAST SYNTAX TABLE ENTRY *)
    (AIRM;
    BITI;
    C:TI);
  LABEL
    21;
    22;
  VAR
    INTG : TG;
    INTI : TI;
    INTM : TM;
    INLR : SR;
    INRR : SR;
    INLF : SF;
    INRF : SF;
  BEGIN
    FOR INTI := B TO C DO
      WITH SYNTAX[INTI] DO
      BEGIN
        IF A.RMPR THEN
          INTG := A.RMPP;
        ELSE
          INTG := PB;
        SETSQD(A.RMFR,RYLS,INLR,INLF); (* SET SQUARE SETS *)
        SETSQD(A.RMTO,RYRS,INRR,INRF);
        FOR INTM := AM+1 TO JNTM-1 DO
          IF DIFFER(MOVES[INTM],A) THEN
            IF (NBORD(A.RMFR) = NBORD(MOVES[INTM].RMFR)) AND
                (A.RMCP = MOVES[INTM].RMCP) THEN
              WITH MOVES[INTM] DO
              IF (XTSR(RMFR) IN INLR) AND
                  (XTSR(RMTO) IN INRR) AND
                  (XTSF(RMFR) IN INLF) AND
                  (XTSF(RMTO) IN INRF) AND
                  ((RMPR AND (INTG = RMPP)) OR (NOT RMPR)) THEN
                GOTO 21;
              (* ANOTHER MOVE LOOKS THE SAME *)
            END;
          END;
          (* NO OTHER MOVE LOOKS THE SAME *)
          ADDSQR(A.RMFR,RYLS); (* ADD FROM SQUARE *)
          ADDCHR(RYCH); (* ADD MOVE OR CAPTURE *)
          ADDSQR(A.RMTO,RYRS); (* ADD TO SQUARE *)
          GOTO 22; (* EXIT MINGEN *)
        END;
      END;
    END; (* TRY NEXT SYNTAX *)
    21: (* EXIT MINGEN *)
    22: (* EXIT MINGEN *)
    END; (* MINGEN *)

  BEGIN (* MINENG *)
    MOVMS := " ";
    INTN := AN+1;
    ADDMRD(B,ZA);
    ADDMRD(" ",2);
    WITH A DO
    BEGIN
      (* CLEAR MESSAGE *)
      (* INITIALIZE MESSAGE INDEX *)
      (* ADD INITIAL COMMENT *)
    END;
  END;

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Listing 1, continued:

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IF RM00 THEN
BEGIN
  ADDWRD("0-0",3);
  IF RMQS THEN
    ADDWRD("0",2);
END
ELSE
  IF RMCA THEN
    HINGEN(A,SYNCF,SYNCL)
  ELSE
    HINGEN(A,SYNMF,SYNML);
  IF RMPR THEN
    BEGIN
      ADDCHR("=");
      ADDCHR(XTGC(RMPP));
    END;
    ADDWRD("=",3);
    IF RMCH THEN
      BEGIN
        ADDWRD("CHECK",5);
        IF RMHT THEN
          ADDWRD("MATE",4);
          ADDCHR(".");
        END
        ELSE
          IF RMHT THEN
            ADDWRD("STALEMATE",10);
          END;
      END;
      (* MINENG *)

PROCEDURE MYMOVE;
  (* MAKE MACHINES MOVE *)
  VAR
    INRM : RM;
  BEGIN
    CREATE;
    INRM := MOVES[SEARCH];
    IF INRM.RMIL THEN
      BEGIN
        GOING := 0;
        IF LSTMV.RMCH THEN
          WRITELN("CONGRATULATIONS.");
        ELSE
          WRITELN("DRAWN.");
        END
      ELSE
        BEGIN
          MINENG(INRM,"MY MOVE");
          WRITELN(MOVMS);
          THENOV(INRM);
          IF SMSU THEN
            WRITELN(BOARD.RBTI,".",NODES,"NODES.",BSTVL(AK));
          END;
        END;
      (* MYMOVE *)

PROCEDURE YRMOVE;
  (* MAKE PLAYERS MOVE *)
  LABEL
    11, 12, 13, 14, 15,
    16,
    17,
    18;
  VAR
    INTB : TB;
    INTC : TC;
    INTM : TJ;

    INTP : TP;
    INCP : TP;
    IFCA : TB;
    IFPR : TB;
    IFQO : TB;
    IFQS : TB;
    INTG : TG;
    IFMV : TB;

    IFLO : TB;
    IFLF : TB;
    IFRO : TB;
    IFRF : TB;

    INLF : SF;
    INLR : SR;
    INRF : SF;
    INRR : SR;

    INRM : RM;
  FUNCTION NCHIN
  (* DETERMINE IF NEXT INPUT CHARACTER IS NOT IN A GIVEN SET *)
  (* SET OF CHARACTERS TO CHECK *)
  (* SEMANTICS ROUTINE TO CALL IF NEXT CHARACTER IS IN SET *)
  (* TRUE IF CHARACTER IS NOT IN SET *)
  (* SCRATCH *)
  VAR
    INTB : TB;
  BEGIN
    INTB := NOT (INTC IN A);
    IF NOT INTB THEN
      BEGIN
        YRMOVE;
        JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
        WHILE (JNTJ < ZJ)
          AND ((ILINE(JNTJ) = "=") OR (ORD(ILINE(JNTJ)) > ORD(ZC))) DO

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JNTJ := JNTJ+1;
INTC := ILINE(JNTJ);
IF (INTC = "=") OR (INTC = "!") THEN
  GOTO 15;
END;
NCHIN := INTB;
(* RETURN TRUE IF CHARACTER IS NOT IN STRING *)

PROCEDURE YRMHIT;
  (* FOUND A MOVE. EXITS TO AMBIGUOUS MOVE IF THIS IS THE SECOND POSSIBLE MOVE. SAVES THE MOVE IN INRM OTHERWISE. *)
  BEGIN
    IF IFMV THEN GOTO 17;
    IFMV := TRUE;
    INRM := MOVES[INTM];
  END;
  (* YRMHIT *)

PROCEDURE YRMCOM;
  (* COMPARE SQUARES. CALLS YRMHIT IF MOVES[INTM] MOVES THE RIGHT TYPE OF PIECE, CAPTURES THE RIGHT TYPE OF PIECE, AND MOVES TO AND FROM POSSIBLE SQUARES *)
  BEGIN
    WITH MOVES[INTM] DO
      IF (XTSR(RMFR) IN INLR) AND
        (XTSF(RMFR) IN INLF) AND
        (XTSR(RMTO) IN INRR) AND
        (XTSF(RMTO) IN INRF) AND
        (NOT RMIL) AND
        (BOARD.RBIS(RMFR) = INTP) THEN
        IF RMCA = IFCA THEN
          IF RMCA THEN
            IF RMCP = INCP THEN
              YRMHIT
            ELSE
              YRMHIT;
            END;
          (* YRMCOM *)

PROCEDURE YRMCAP;
  (* SEMANTICS - CAPTURE *)
  BEGIN
    IFCA := TRUE;
  END;
  (* YRMCAP *)

PROCEDURE YRMCAS;
  (* SEMANTICS - CASTLE *)
  BEGIN
    IFQO := TRUE;
  END;
  (* YRMCAS *)

PROCEDURE YRMCPC;
  (* SEMANTICS - CAPTURED PIECE *)
  BEGIN
    CASE INTC OF
      "P": INCP := XTUMP(EP,OTHER(JNTM));
      "R": INCP := XTUMP(ER,OTHER(JNTM));
      "N": INCP := XTUMP(EN,OTHER(JNTM));
      "B": INCP := XTUMP(EB,OTHER(JNTM));
      "Q": INCP := XTUMP(EQ,OTHER(JNTM));
    END;
  END;
  (* YRMCPC *)

PROCEDURE YRMCQS;
  (* SEMANTICS - CASTLE LONG *)
  BEGIN
    IFQS := TRUE;
  END;
  (* YRMCQS *)

PROCEDURE YRMLKQ;
  (* SEMANTICS - K OR Q ON LEFT *)
  BEGIN
    CASE INTC OF
      "K": INLF := (F5..F8) * INLF;
      "Q": INLF := (F1..F4) * INLF;
    END;
    IFLF := TRUE;
  END;
  (* YRMLKQ *)

PROCEDURE YRMLRB;
  (* SEMANTICS - R, N, OR B ON LEFT *)
  BEGIN
    CASE INTC OF
      "R": INLF := (F1,F8) * INLF;
      "N": INLF := (F2,F7) * INLF;
      "B": INLF := (F3,F6) * INLF;
    END;
    IFLO := TRUE;
  END;
  (* YRMLRB *)

PROCEDURE YRMLRK;
  (* SEMANTICS - RANK ON LEFT *)
  BEGIN
    IF JNTM = LITE THEN

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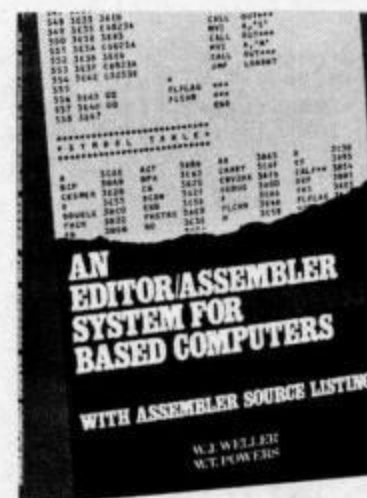
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Listing 1, continued:

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CASE INTC OF
  "1": INLR := [R1];
  "2": INLR := [R2];
  "3": INLR := [R3];
  "4": INLR := [R4];
  "5": INLR := [R5];
  "6": INLR := [R6];
  "7": INLR := [R7];
  "8": INLR := [R8];
END
ELSE
CASE INTC OF
  "1": INLR := [R8];
  "2": INLR := [R7];
  "3": INLR := [R6];
  "4": INLR := [R5];
  "5": INLR := [R4];
  "6": INLR := [R3];
  "7": INLR := [R2];
  "8": INLR := [R1];
END;
END; (* YRHLRK *)

PROCEDURE YRMNUL; (* SEMANTICS - NULL *)
BEGIN
END; (* YRMNUL *)

PROCEDURE YRMPCH; (* SEMANTICS - PIECE MOVED *)
BEGIN
CASE INTC OF
  "P": INTP := XTUMPIEP,JNTH; (* PAWN *)
  "R": INTP := XTUMPIER,JNTH; (* ROOK *)
  "N": INTP := XTUMPIEN,JNTH; (* KNIGHT *)
  "B": INTP := XTUMPIEB,JNTH; (* BISHOP *)
  "Q": INTP := XTUMPIEQ,JNTH; (* QUEEN *)
  "K": INTP := XTUMPIEK,JNTH; (* KING *)
END;
END; (* YRMPCH *)

PROCEDURE YRMPRO; (* SEMANTICS - PROMOTION *)
BEGIN
CASE INTC OF
  "R": INTG := PR; (* ROOK *)
  "N": INTG := PN; (* KNIGHT *)
  "B": INTG := PB; (* BISHOP *)
  "Q": INTG := PQ; (* QUEEN *)
END;
IFPR := TRUE;
END; (* YRMPRO *)

PROCEDURE YMRKQ; (* SEMANTICS - K OR Q ON RIGHT *)
BEGIN
CASE INTC OF
  "K": INRF := [F5..F8] * INRF; (* KING SIDE *)
  "Q": INRF := [F1..F4] * INRF; (* QUEEN SIDE *)
END;
IFRF := TRUE;
END; (* YMRKQ *)

PROCEDURE YMRRB; (* SEMANTICS - R, N, OR B ON RIGHT *)
BEGIN
CASE INTC OF
  "R": INRF := [F1,F8] * INRF; (* ROOK FILE *)
  "N": INRF := [F2,F7] * INRF; (* KNIGHT FILE *)
  "B": INRF := [F3,F6] * INRF; (* BISHOP FILE *)
END;
IFRD := TRUE;
END; (* YMRRB *)

PROCEDURE YMRRK; (* SEMANTICS - RANK ON RIGHT *)
BEGIN
IF JNTH = LITE THEN
CASE INTC OF
  "1": INRR := [R1];
  "2": INRR := [R2];
  "3": INRR := [R3];
  "4": INRR := [R4];
  "5": INRR := [R5];
  "6": INRR := [R6];
  "7": INRR := [R7];
  "8": INRR := [R8];
END
ELSE
CASE INTC OF
  "1": INRR := [R8];
  "2": INRR := [R7];
  "3": INRR := [R6];
  "4": INRR := [R5];
  "5": INRR := [R4];
  "6": INRR := [R3];
  "7": INRR := [R2];
  "8": INRR := [R1];
END;
END;
END; (* YMRRK *)

BEGIN (* YRMOVE *)
INTB := FALSE;
WHILE NOT INTB DO
BEGIN
READER; (* READ NEXT MOVE *)
LSTMOV; (* LIST LEGAL MOVES *)
IFCA := FALSE;
IFPR := FALSE;
IFOO := FALSE;
IFQS := FALSE;
IFLD := FALSE;
IFLF := FALSE;
IFRD := FALSE;
IFRF := FALSE;
INTP := MT;
INCP := MT;
INLF := [F1..F8];
INRF := [F1..F8];
INLR := [R1..R8];
INRR := [R1..R8];

INTC := ILINE(JNTJ);

IF NCHIN(["P","R","N","B","Q","K"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 14;
IF NCHIN(["/"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 11;
IF NCHIN(["K","Q"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 11;
IF NCHIN(["R","N","B"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 11;
IF NCHIN(["1".."8"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 11;
11: (* LEFT SIDE DONE *)
IF NOT NCHIN(["-"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 12;
IF NCHIN(["-","X"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 12;
IF NCHIN(["P","R","N","B","Q"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 12;
IF NCHIN(["/"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 12;
12: (* RIGHT SIDE SQUARE *)
IF NCHIN(["K","Q"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 12;
IF NCHIN(["R","N","B"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 12;
IF NCHIN(["1".."8"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 12;
13: (* PROMOTION *)
IF NCHIN(["-"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 15;
IF NCHIN(["R","N","B","Q"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 15;
GOTO 15;

14: (* CASTLING *)
IF NCHIN(["O","O"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 16;
IF NCHIN(["-"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 16;
IF NCHIN(["O","O"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 16;
IF NCHIN(["-"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 16;
IF NCHIN(["O","O"],YRMPCH) THEN GOTO 16;
15: (* SYNTAX CORRECT *)

IF IFRF AND NOT IFRD THEN
INRF := INRF * [F4,F5]; (* SELECT K OR Q FILE *)
IF IFLF AND NOT IFLD THEN
INLF := INLF * [F4,F5]; (* SELECT K OR Q FILE *)
IFMV := FALSE;
INTW := AN; (* NO MOVE FOUND YET *)
WHILE INTW < JNTH DO
WITH MOVES(INTW) DO
BEGIN
IF RMPR = IFPR THEN
IF RMPP = INTG THEN
YRMPCH; (* CORRECT PROMOTION TYPE *)
ELSE
YRMPCH; (* COMPARE SQUARES AND PIECES *)
ELSE
IF RMOO = IFOO THEN
IF RMOS = IFQS THEN
YRMPCH; (* NOT PROMOTION *)
ELSE
YRMPCH; (* CASTLING *)
ELSE
YRMPCH; (* CASTLING SAME WAY *)
ELSE
YRMPCH; (* NOT CASTLING *)
YRMPCH; (* COMPARE SQUARES AND PIECES *)
YRMPCH; (* ADVANCE MOVES INDEX *)
INTW := INTW+1;
END;
IF IFMV THEN
BEGIN
MINENG(INRM,"YOUR MOVE "); (* ONE MOVE FOUND *)
WRITELN(MOVMS); (* CONVERT TO OUR STYLE *)
THEMOV(INRM); (* PRINT MOVE *)
INTB := TRUE; (* MAKE THE MOVE *)
END;
ELSE
WRITELN(" ILLEGAL MOVE."); (* EXIT YRMOVE *)
GOTO 18; (* NO MOVES FOUND *)

16: (* SYNTAX ERROR *)
WRITELN(" SYNTAX ERROR."); (* EXIT *)
GOTO 18;

17: (* AMBIGUOUS MOVE *)
WRITELN(" AMBIGUOUS MOVE.");
18: (* EXIT *)
END;
END; (* YRMOVE *)

BEGIN (* THE PROGRAM *)
WRITELN(" HI. THIS IS CHESS .5"); (* INITIALIZE CONSTANTS *)
INCON;

1: (* INITIALIZE FOR A NEW GAME *)
INITAL (BOARD); (* INITIALIZE FOR A NEW GAME *)
REPEAT
YRMOVE; (* EXECUTE PLAYERS MOVE *)
UNTIL SWRE;

2: (* EXECUTE MACHINES MOVE *)
REPEAT
MYMOVE;
IF GOING > 0 THEN
GOING := GOING-1;
UNTIL GOING = 0;
UNTIL FALSE;

9: (* END OF PROGRAM *)
END.

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A second and somewhat more challenging project would be to develop a transposition table for the program. This requires the availability of unused memory (at least 8 K bytes and preferably 16 K or 32 K bytes), an efficient hashing scheme, and a set of decision rules to select among positions when a collision occurs (ie: two positions hash to the same address in the table). Another problem is that the use of a staged evaluation process and the α - β algorithm often provides an imprecise evaluation score (ie: the machine has determined that a position was not optimal but has not invested the time to find out exactly how bad it was). If the programmer succeeds with the transposition table, however, move calculation will take 30 to 50 per cent less time in most middle game positions and 60 to 90 per cent less time in many end game positions.

A third area for improvement is the evaluation function. Our program presently has only a rudimentary function. The reader should compare it with the one used by Chess 4.5 which is described in detail by Slate and Atkin. Their evaluation function provides an excellent starting point for revising our present function. In part 4 we will discuss the advantages of using a conditional evaluation function, ie: one that changes depending on the stage of the game and on the presence of special features. One implementation of this strategy is the special end game program described by Monroe Newborn in *Chess Skill in Man and Machine*.

It is appropriate for us to add two important disclaimers at this juncture. Although we have carefully tested each of the routines in the program and played several chess games, it is still possible that there are a few minor bugs in the program. If you find one, a letter to one of us or to BYTE would be appreciated. Secondly, our chess program was written primarily for pedagogical purposes. For this reason it is not a production program and does not run very efficiently. If you are the competitive type, our program should provide many useful ideas, but you should not expect it to compete successfully in tournament play unless you make extensive modifications and additions.


A chess program has a tendency to grow and change its personality as the programmer becomes more familiar with each of its many limitations. It provides a constant challenge for those of us who are too compulsive to tolerate obvious weaknesses. In fact one must be careful not to become totally obsessed with this project. We do not wish any of you to lose your job or your spouse because of a chess program. ■



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