

# Package ‘chess2plyrs’

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**Type** Package

**Title** Chess Game Creation and Tools

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**Description** A chess program which allows the user to create a game, add moves, check for legal moves and game result, plot the board, take back, read and write FEN (Forsyth–Edwards Notation). A basic chess engine based on minimax is implemented.

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all_possibilities	<i>all_possibilities</i>
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**Description**

finds all legal moves for the player moving, and all the squares under attack from the opponent pieces.

**Usage**

all\_possibilities(game)

**Arguments**

game                      chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen\_history as created by newgame function)

**Value**

all chess possibilities

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chessplot	<i>chessplot</i>
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**Description**

plots the current position

**Usage**

chessplot(game, style = 1)

**Arguments**

game	chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen_history as created by newgame function)
style	font style. 1: chess pieces according to unicode; 2: chess labels

**Value**

plot

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chesstools	<i>chesstools</i>
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**Description**

All tools used for letting the chess program work.

**Usage**

chesstools

**Format**

An object of class list

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chess_move	<i>chess_move</i>
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**Description**

Takes in input a move, evaluates whether it is legal, and if it is, then the game is updated

**Usage**

chess\_move(game, piece, initialposition = "", finalposition = "")

**Arguments**

game	chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen_history as created by newgame function)
piece	letter indicating the piece to be moved (p, N, B, R, Q, K)
initialposition	initial square of the piece
finalposition	destination square

**Value**

makes move

**Examples**

```
newgame() |>  
chess_move("N", "g1", "f3")
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engine1	<i>engine1</i>
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**Description**

engine which chooses minimax between legal moves

**Usage**

```
engine1(game, depth)
```

**Arguments**

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|-------|---|
| game  | chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen_history as created by newgame function) |
| depth | depth of the minimax. depth of 1 and 2 are fairly rapid.  |

**Value**

game with new move done

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engine2	<i>engine2</i>
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**Description**

engine which chooses minimax between legal moves, with alpha beta pruning

**Usage**

```
engine2(game, depth)
```

**Arguments**

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| game  | chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen_history as created by newgame function) |
| depth | depth of the minimax. depth of 1 and 2 are fairly rapid.  |

Value

game with new move done

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game_result	<i>game_result</i>
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Description

This function tells if the game is still ongoing, or if a checkmate or stalemate are on the board

Usage

game\_result(game)

Arguments

game	chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen_history as created by newgame function)
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Value

a message

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get_minimax_move	<i>get_minimax_move</i>
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Description

minimax engine

Usage

get\_minimax\_move(game, depth)

Arguments

game	chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen_history as created by newgame function)
depth	algorithm depth

Value

minimax engine

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legalmoves	<i>legalmoves</i>
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**Description**

lists legal moves

**Usage**

legalmoves(game)

**Arguments**

game	chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen_history as created by newgame function)
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**Value**

character vector

**Examples**

```
newgame() |>  
legalmoves()
```

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moves_scoresheet	<i>moves_scoresheet</i>
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**Description**

Creates move scorelist, in scientific notation

**Usage**

moves\_scoresheet(game, shortnotation = TRUE)

**Arguments**

game	chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen_history as created by newgame function)
shortnotation	Use short scientific notation? TRUE is the default

**Value**

moves scoresheet

Examples

```
g <- newgame() |>
  chess_move("p", "e2", "e4") |>
  chess_move("p", "e7", "e5") |>
  chess_move("N", "g1", "f3") |>
  chess_move("N", "b8", "c6") |>
  chess_move("B", "f1", "b5") |>
  chess_move("N", "g8", "f6") |>
  chess_move("K", "e1", "0-0") |>
  chess_move("N", "f6", "e4")
moves_sheetsheet(g)
```

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newgame	<i>newgame</i>
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Description

sets up a new chess game

Usage

```
newgame()
```

Value

new game

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random_mover	<i>random_mover</i>
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Description

engine which chooses randomly between legal moves

Usage

```
random_mover(game)
```

Arguments

game	chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen_history as created by newgame function)
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Value

game with new move done

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readfen	<i>readfen</i>
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**Description**

read fen (Forsyth–Edwards Notation) notation

**Usage**

readfen(fenstring)

**Arguments**

fenstring      fen string (pieces and turn)

**Value**

board and turn

**Examples**

readfen("r3kb1r/pp1nqppp/4bp2/2p5/3P4/1B3N2/PPP1QPPP/R1B1K2R w")

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takeback	<i>takeback</i>
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**Description**

takeback

**Usage**

takeback(game)

**Arguments**

game      chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen\_history as created by newgame function)

**Value**

game (last move being deleted)



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writefen	<i>writefen</i>
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**Description**

write fen (Forsyth–Edwards Notation) notation

**Usage**

```
writefen(game, cb = NULL, tb = NULL, cb_tb_insteadof_game = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

- game                chess game object (i.e., a list with elements board, turn, history, and fen\_history as created by newgame function)
- cb                  chess board if cb\_tf\_insteadof\_game set to TRUE
- tb                  turn if cb\_tf\_insteadof\_game set to TRUE
- cb\_tb\_insteadof\_game  
                     if FALSE, uses game to create fen, if TRUE it uses cb and tb

**Value**

fen

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