

Exercise 3 – Implementation works due to before christmas

[10 points]

The rules for a round-based card game (in German probably known as „swimming“/Schwimmen, or 30 ½) for at least 2 players are as follows:

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 - a card deck (containing labels 7,8,9,10, kings, queens, knights, and aces in 4 suits – spades, hearts, diamonds, and clubs) is shuffled.
 - Each player except the starting one gets randomly three cards.
 - The player starting the game has two options, as there are two potential desks for him. He may only have a look at one of those, and:
 - may decide to use that one for further playing, or
 - discard that one and use the other, for him unknown, cards for playing.
 - Depending on either action, the other cards from the remaining desk become visible to all players.
- The main game is based on the three visible cards. One player at a time may choose actions out of:
 - exchanging one card from her hand with one of the visible ones.
 - Doing nothing (pass over to the next player)
 - „closing“ the game
 - once a player closes the game, each other player may have once additional turn
- winning rules are as follows. Players try to maximize the sum of their hands.
 - Card values are
 - 7, 8, 9 each count 7, 8, or 9 points
 - 10, kings, queens and knights each account for 10 points
 - Pike counts 11 points.
 - Summing points is as follows:
 - for same-color cards, simply sum the numbers
 - having three equal cards of different suits (e.g., three '7's, three kings) always sum to 30 ½

In the „original“ game, there are more possible actions which may be ignored for simplicity.

Build groups of 2-3 people (larger groups need to justify the required amount of people...). Implement the game by dividing the tasks as follows:

- (1) implements the game field and interaction patterns (e.g., exchange card from hand to table, give information on which cards are visible on the table),
- (2) and (3) implement independantly (!) one AI each.

Requirement: the AIs should play some games against each other. Which wins most?

Again in groups: Prepare a small oral speech (no slides, etc. needed) to present the game / your implementation to the others explaining why you implemented the requirements for the given component that way.