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## **Deep Learning for Computer Chess**

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We aim to optimize the performance of the models for evaluating chess positions and to create a more competitive engine through implementing MCTS and testing it against a traditional engine. Additionally, we seek to explore the potential of using the model prediction as an evaluation function to improve the early playout termination of MCTS.

## PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Train and compare the Giraffe and DeepChess Deep Learning models for evaluating chess positions
- Implement Monte Carlo Tree Search to improve the gameplay of the in-house engine.
- Construct a new engine to explore the effects of using the model prediction as an evaluation function for the early playout termination of MCTS.
- Design an engine that uses the better-performing



model and evaluate its gameplay against a traditional non-DL-based engine in a 100-game chess match.

## **DeepChess Architecture** 2 Results Draws OliveChess won 100 DeepChess won Draws 200 6.00% \*\*\*\*\* 400 t t t t † † 41.00% 53.00% DeepChess won **OliveChess** won 100 100 .... 200 200 \*\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\*\* 400 400 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* 600 600 \*\*\*\*\*\* ............. 773 773

## **DeepChess vs OliveChess**