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Colossus Chess,

the series of chess programs by [Martin Bryant](#) developed from 1983 on an [Apple II](#) in [6502 Assembly](#), based on Bryant's former program [White Knight](#). Colossus Chess 2.0 was the first commercial release in 1984 for the [Commodore 64](#) and this and subsequent versions for other 6502, [Z80](#), [68000](#) and [8086](#) based [home](#) and [personal computers](#), such as [Atari 8-bit](#), [BBC Micro](#), [Amstrad CPC](#), [ZX Spectrum](#), [Atari ST](#), [Amiga](#), and finally for the [IBM PC](#). Colossus Chess pioneered a sophisticated [GUI](#) with an optional [3D chessboard](#), and lot of new features for that time, and has become one of the best selling chess programs of all time ^[1]. Colossus Chess played the [European MCC 1983](#) in [London](#) and the [WMCCC 1984](#) in [Glasgow](#).

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Colossus Chess UCI

While the work on the commercial Colossus Chess series finished in 1991, Martin Bryant started a completely new and freely available [Windows UCI](#) version in 2004, first written in [C#](#) then converted to [C](#)^[3], released in 2006^[4] through 2008^[5].

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