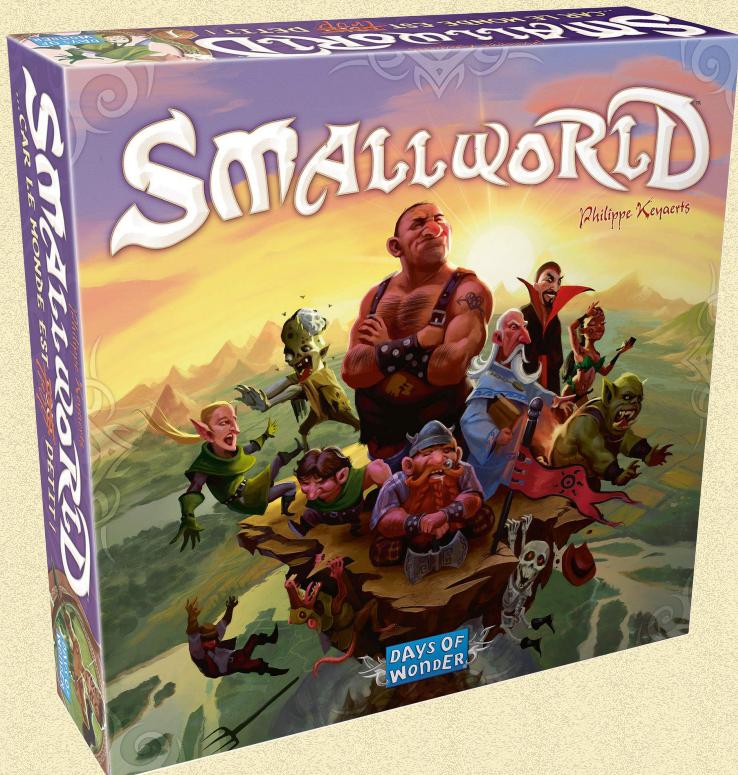


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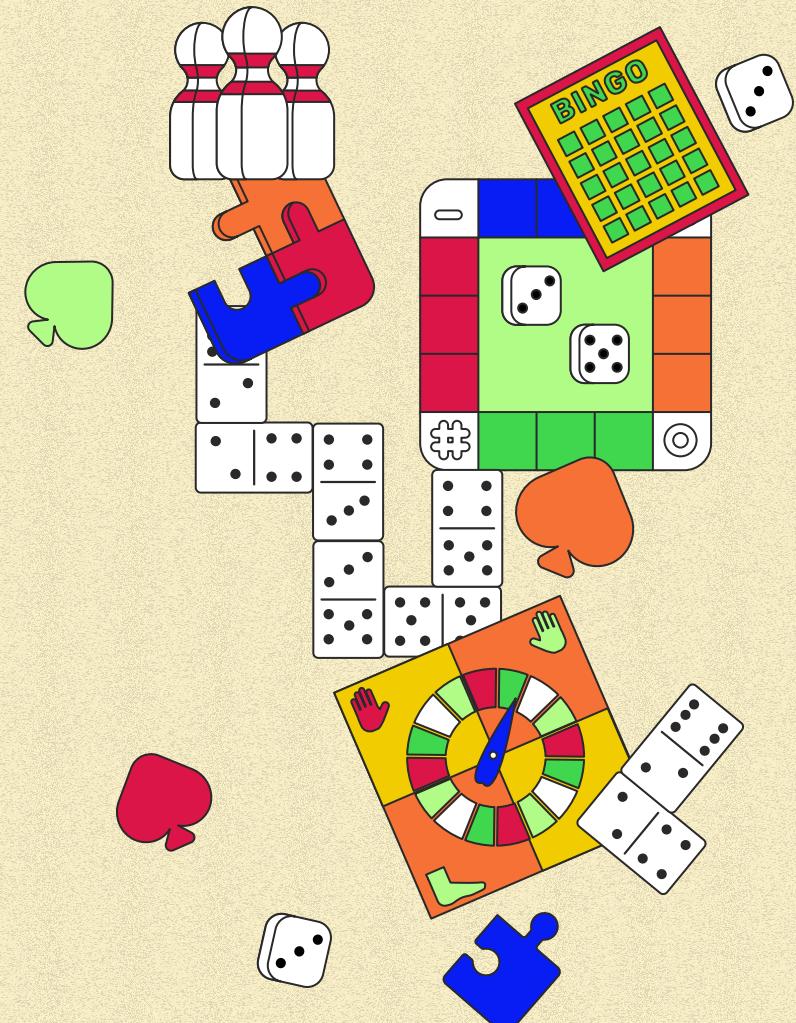
Case Study

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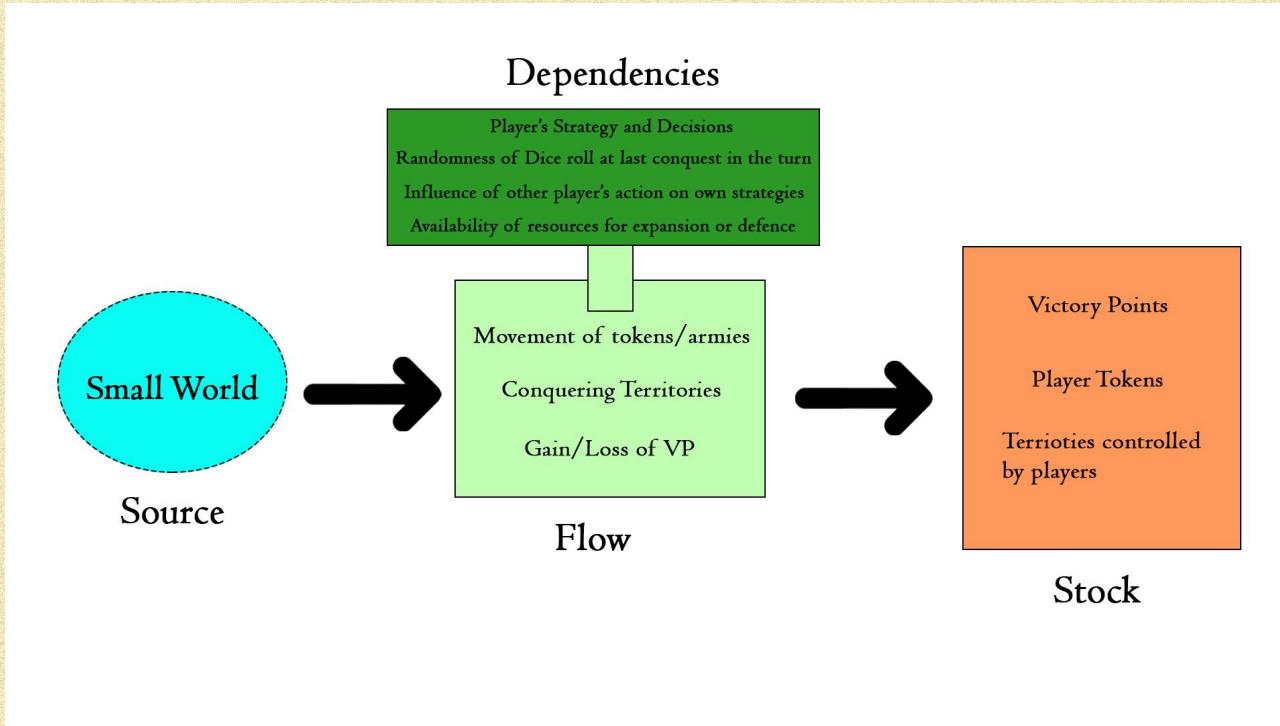
Race and Power Combination

Region Conquest

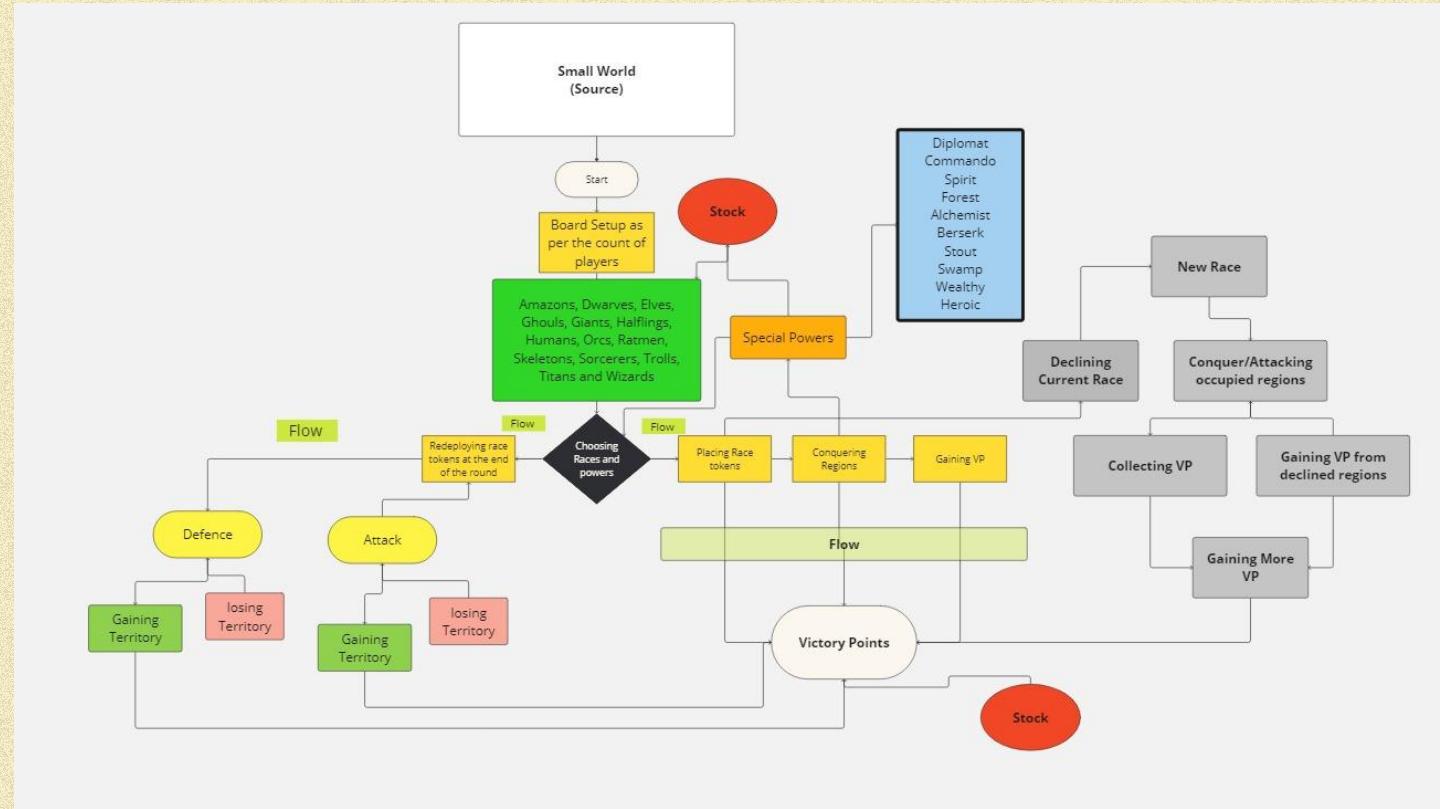
Victory Points

Game State

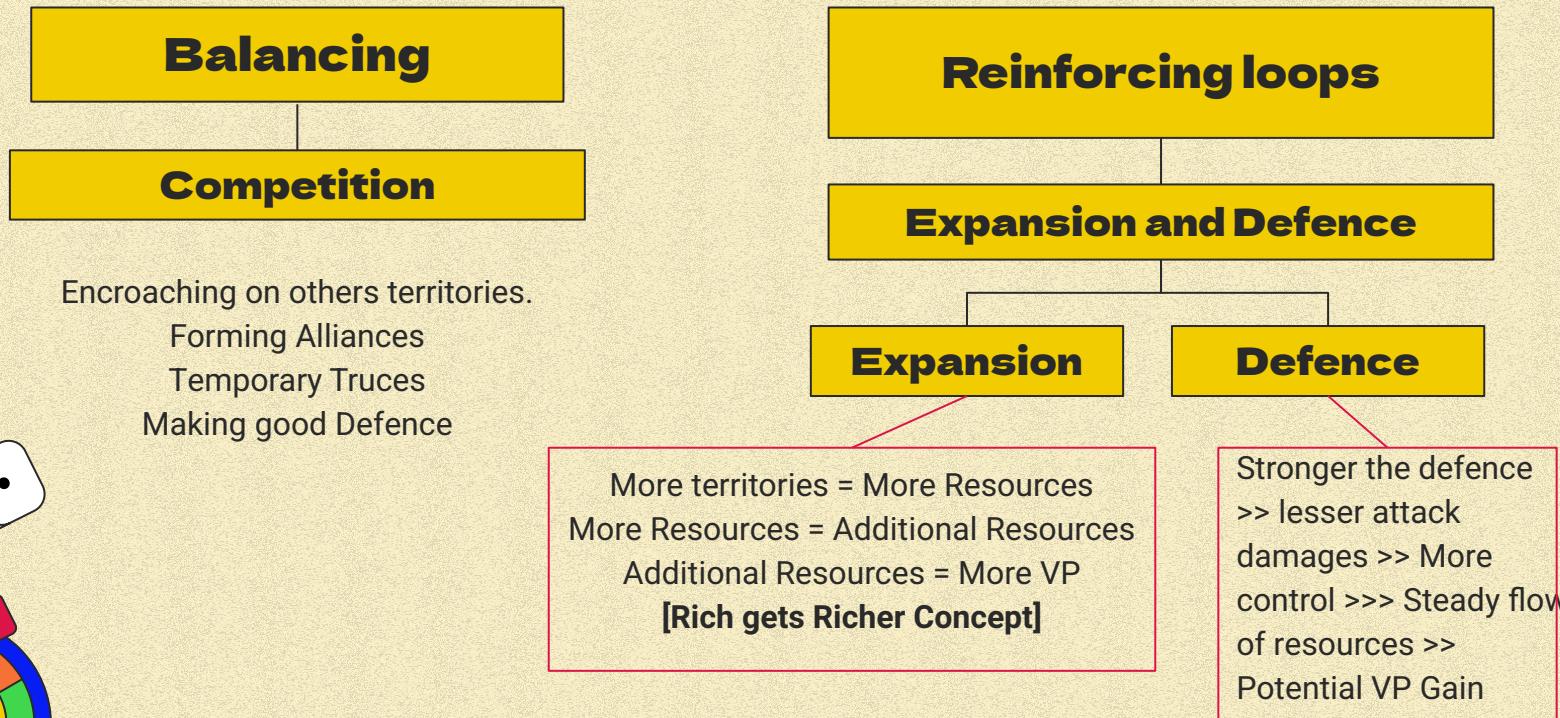
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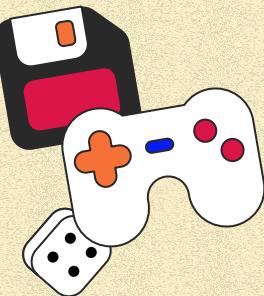


Process Flowchart



Balancing/Reinforcing loops





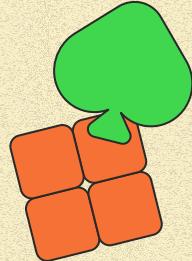
Payoff Matrix

Player 1

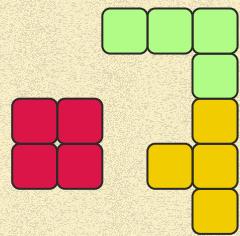
Let's say, If player 1 wants to expand territories and player 2 does the same, they both gain 2vp each. If player 1 wants to defend and player 2 wants expand by attacking player 1, he loses and player 1 gains 1vp. If player 1 wants to expand and player 2 defends, it's the same situation. P2 gains and P1 loses. If P1 and P2 defend their territory so no one loses any and they gain their respective Victory points after the round.

Player 2

	Expand	Defend
Expand	2, 2	0, 1
Defend	1, 0	1, 1



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Race Selection

Choosing race and ability knowing their strengths and weaknesses

Territory Expansion

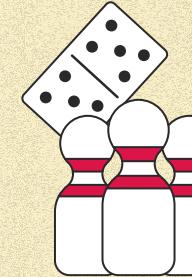
Deciding when and where to expand their empires, as well as maintaining the defence

Tactical Combat

Choosing when to attack in order to conquer

Resource Management

Knowing when to decline the race



Hidden Knowledge

Decline Mechanic

As a race becomes overextended or loses its strategic advantage, players can choose to put it into decline, allowing them to select a new race to control while still earning points from their previous one.

The game's strategy revolves around knowing when to push your current race to its limits and when to put it into decline to switch to a new, more advantageous race. Additionally, players must consider the layout of the board, the abilities of their opponents' races, and the timing of their conquests to maximize their points and ultimately win the game.





Balance and Rules Synergy

Right moment of Decline.

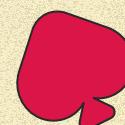
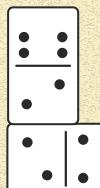
Sacrificing short - term gains for long term strategy

Unique Combinations of Races and Powers.

Finite board for Expansion

Randomized Setup [Shuffling of Races and Powers]

Adaptability of New race





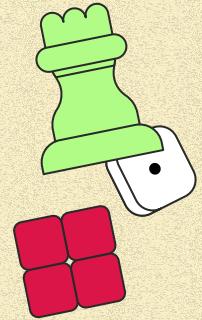
Risk-Reward Analysis

Risk

- ❖ Overextension of Territory
- ❖ Vulnerability [Leaving regions alone without proper defence]
- ❖ Declining Races
- ❖ Choosing Races
- ❖ Encounters [Attack / Defence]

Reward

- ❖ Territory Expansion
- ❖ Race Abilities
- ❖ Conquering Opponents
- ❖ Optimal Decline
- ❖ Strategic Alliances





Maximal Strategies

- ❖ **Aggressive Expansion**
- ❖ **Race Selection**
- ❖ **Territory Control**
- ❖ **Timing and Decline Management**
- ❖ **Adaptability**
- ❖ **Resource Management**
- ❖ **Target Weaknesses**
- ❖ **Diplomacy and Negotiation**



Thank you for listening.