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Implementation of MIN MAX Algorithm.

Aim: To implement min max algorithm

Scenario: AI vs Human player - winning move situation.

Context: here The AI is playing as X and human is playing as O. Its AI's turn, and there is a possible winning move.

given Board state (Before AI move)

X O X
O X .
. O X

Expected AI move (Best move using minimax)

X O X
O X X
. O X

Procedure:

1. Define Constants: Player_X = 1, Player_O = -1 empty = 0.
2. Create evaluate(board) to check for a winner by scanning rows and columns or diagonals.

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return 0

# Check if moves are left.
def is_moves_left(board):
    for row in range(3):
        for col in range(3):
            if board[row][col] == EMPTY
                return True
    return False.

def minimax(board, is_Max):
    score = evaluate(board)
    if score == player_X return score
    if score == PLAYER_O return score
    if not is_MovesLeft(board): return 0
    if is_Max:
        best = -float('inf')
        for row in range(3):
            for col in range(3):
                if board[row][col] == Empty
                    board[row][col] = player_O
                    best = min(best, minimax(
                        board, not is_Max))
                    board[row][col] = Empty
    return best
```

3 Create is MovesLeft(board) to check for empty spaces, return true if moves are available, else false.

4 Implement minimax(board, isMax):

- If evaluate(board) returns the corresponding score
- If no moves are left, return 0.
- If isMax is True (AI's turn) initialise best = +∞, loop through empty cells, place O, call minimax(board, True), undo move, update best with minimum value and return best

5 Implement findBestMove(board):

- Initialise bestVal = -∞ and bestMove = (-1, -1)
- Loop through empty cells, place X call minimax(board, False), undo move update best move, if a better move is found

6 Implement printBoard(board) to display board state using "X", "O", "." for empty

7) Initialise a sample board, print its state, call findBestMove(board), update the board with AI's move, and print its final state.

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# Find the best move for PLAYER_X
def findBestMove(board):
    bestVal = -float('inf')
    bestMove = (-1, -1)
    for row in range(3):
        for col in range(3):
            if board[row][col] == EMPTY
            board[row][col] = PLAYER_X
            moveVal = minimax(board, False)
            board[row][col] = Empty
            if moveVal > bestVal:
                best_Move = (row, col)
                bestVal = moveVal

# print the board
def printBoard(board):
    for row in board:
        print(" ".join(["X" if x == PLAYER_X else
            "O" if x == PLAYER_O else "." for x in
            row]))

Board = [
    [PLAYER_X, PLAYER_O, PLAYER_X],
    [PLAYER_O, PLAYER_X, EMPTY],
    [PLAYER_O, PLAYER_X]
]
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print("Current Board:")
printBoard(board)
move = findBestMove(board)
print(f"Best move: {move}")
board[move[0]][move[1]] = PLAYER_X
print("\nBoard after best move:")
printBoard(board)
```

Output

Current Board

```
X  O  X
O  X  .
.  O  X
```

Best move: (2, 0)

Board after best move

```
X  O  X
O  X  .
X  O  X
```