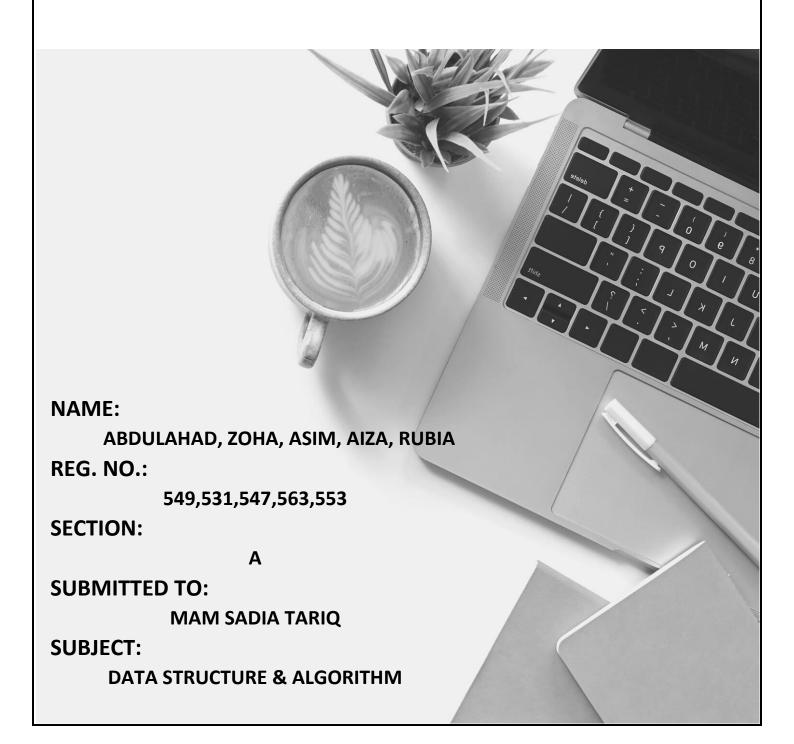


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## PROJECT REPORT



## **SUDOKU SOLVER**

Sudoku solver mini projects on data structures and algorithms use the backtracking algorithm to resolve Sudoku puzzles. Sudoku is a logic-based number puzzle game that requires you to fill in a 9x9 grid with numbers from 1 to 9, with no repetitions allowed in the rows, columns, or 3x3 sub grids.

The first step in the Sudoku Solver project is to draw the puzzle as a 9x9 grid and fill it in with the specified numbers. The puzzle is then solved using the backtracking approach by iteratively trying out various values in each cell until a solution is discovered.

When the backtracking algorithm runs into a dead end, that is, when it comes into a contradiction that renders the problem impossible to solve, it will turn around and try another possible solution for each cell in the grid. Once a viable answer is found, the algorithm goes back and tests different values in the earlier cells.

The Sudoku Solver data structures and algorithms projects in C++ show how the backtracking algorithm can be used in real-world situations to solve challenging puzzles like Sudoku. It is beneficial for puzzle fans, game creators, and anybody else interested in logic-based problem-solving.

## **PROJECT CODE**

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#include <iostream>
#include <cstdlib>
#include <cstring>
using namespace std;
const int N = 9;
bool isSafe(int board[N][N], int row, int col, int num)
{
    // Check if 'num' is already in the same row
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
        if (board[row][i] == num)
            return false;
    // Check if 'num' is already in the same column
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
        if (board[i][col] == num)
            return false;
    // Check if 'num' is already in the same 3x3 box
    int boxRowStart = row - row % 3;
    int boxColStart = col - col % 3;
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for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++)
      for (int j = 0; j < 3; j++)
         if (board[i + boxRowStart][j + boxColStart] == num)
             return false;
  return true;
}
void printBoard(int board[N][N])
{
   system("cls");
   cout << "\n\n\n";</pre>
   cout <<
endl;
   cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t\*
*</pre>
*" << endl;
   cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* " << board[0][0] << " * " << board[0][1] <<</pre>
" * " << board[0][2] << " * " << board[0][3] << " * " << board[0][4]
<< " * " << board[0][5] << " * " << board[0][6] << " * " <<
board[0][7] << " * " << board[0][8] << " * " << endl;
   cout <<
cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t*
*" << endl;
  cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* " << board[1][0] << " * " << board[1][1] <<</pre>
" * " << board[1][2] << " * " << board[1][3] << " * " << board[1][4] << " * " << board[1][6] << " * " <<
board[1][7] << " * " << board[1][8] << " * " << endl;
   cout <<
cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t*
*" << endl;
  cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* " << board[2][0] << " * " << board[2][1] <<</pre>
" * " << board[2][2] << " * " << board[2][3] << " * " << board[2][4]
<< " * " << board[2][5] << " * " << board[2][6] << " * " <<
board[2][7] << " * " << board[2][8] << " * " << endl;
   cout <<
endl;
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cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* *
*" << endl;
  cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* " << board[3][0] << " * " << board[3][1] <<</pre>
" * " << board[3][2] << " * " << board[3][3] << " * " << board[3][4]
<< " * " << board[3][5] << " * " << board[3][6] << " * " <<</pre>
board[3][7] << " * " << board[3][8] << " * " << endl;
   cout <<
cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t\t* * *
*" << endl;
  cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* " << board[4][0] << " * " << board[4][1] <<</pre>
" * " << board[4][2] << " * " << board[4][3] << " * " << board[4][4]
<< " * " << board[4][5] << " * " << board[4][6] << " * " <<
board[4][7] << " * " << board[4][8] << " * " << endL;
   cout <<
cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t\t* * *
*" << endl;
  cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* " << board[5][0] << " * " << board[5][1] <<</pre>
" * " << board[5][2] << " * " << board[5][3] << " * " << board[5][4]
<< " * " << board[5][5] << " * " << board[5][6] << " * " <<
board[5][7] << " * " << board[5][8] << " * " << endl;
  cout <<
cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t\* *
*" << endl;
  cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* " << board[6][0] << " * " << board[6][1] <<</pre>
" * " << board[6][2] << " * " << board[6][3] << " * " << board[6][4]
<< " * " << board[6][5] << " * " << board[6][6] << " * " <<
board[6][7] << " * " << board[6][8] << " * " << endL;
  cout <<
endl;
  cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t\*
*</pre>
*" << endl;
  cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* " << board[7][0] << " * " << board[7][1] <<</pre>
" * " << board[7][2] << " * " << board[7][3] << " * " << board[7][4]
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<< " * " << board[7][5] << " * " << board[7][6] << " * " <<
board[7][7] << " * " << board[7][8] << " * " << endl;
   cout <<
endl;
   cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t*
*" << endl;
  cout << "\t\t\t\t\t\t* " << board[8][0] << " * " << board[8][1] <<</pre>
" * " << board[8][2] << " * " << board[8][3] << " * " << board[8][4]
<< " * " << board[8][5] << " * " << board[8][6] << " * " <<
board[8][7] << " * " << board[8][8] << " * " << endl;
   cout <<
endl;
}
bool solveSudoku(int board[N][N], int row, int col)
{
   // If all cells are filled, the puzzle is solved
   if (row == N - 1 \&\& col == N)
      return true;
   // Move to the next row if the current column is N
   if (col == N)
   {
      row++;
      col = 0;
   }
   // Skip the cells that already have a value
   if (board[row][col] != 0)
      return solveSudoku(board, row, col + 1);
   // Try filling the current cell with a number from 1 to 9
   for (int num = 1; num <= 9; num++)</pre>
   {
       if (isSafe(board, row, col, num))
       {
          board[row][col] = num;
          if (solveSudoku(board, row, col + 1))
             return true;
          board[row][col] = 0;
      }
   return false;
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}
bool isSolvedCompletely(int grid[N][N])
{
    for (int row = 0; row < N; row++)
        for (int col = 0; col < N; col++)</pre>
             if (grid[row][col] == 0)
                 return false;
    return true;
}
void playGame(int board[N][N])
    int ch;
    int row, col, num;
    while (true)
        printBoard(board);
        cout << endl
              << endl;
        cout << "Unable to solve? Enter -1 as row, col and num to view the
solved sudoku." << endl;</pre>
        cout << "Enter row: ";</pre>
        cin >> row;
        cout << "Enter column: ";</pre>
        cin >> col;
        cout << "Enter number: ";</pre>
        cin >> num;
        if (row == -1 || col == -1 || num == -1)
             solveSudoku(board, 0, 0);
             printBoard(board);
             cout << endl;</pre>
             cout << "Better luck next time!!!" << endl;</pre>
             return;
        if (isSolvedCompletely(board))
             break;
        row--;
        col--;
        if (!isSafe(board, row, col, num))
         {
             cout << "Invalid move. Try again." << endl;</pre>
             continue;
        board[row][col] = num;
    }
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// Check if the user has solved it correctly or not
    bool solved = true;
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
        for (int j = 0; j < N; j++)
             if (board[i][j] == 0)
                 solved = false;
                 break;
        }
    }
    if (solved)
        cout << "Congratulations! You have solved the puzzle." << endl;</pre>
        printBoard(board);
    else
        cout << "Puzzle not solved. Better luck next time." << endl;</pre>
}
int main()
    int board[N][N] = {
         {3, 0, 6, 5, 0, 8, 4, 0, 0},
         \{5, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0\},\
         \{0, 8, 7, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 1\},\
         \{0, 0, 3, 0, 1, 0, 0, 8, 0\},\
         \{9, 0, 0, 8, 6, 3, 0, 0, 5\},\
        \{0, 5, 0, 0, 9, 0, 6, 0, 0\},\
        \{1, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 5, 0\},\
         \{0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 7, 4\},\
        \{0, 0, 5, 2, 0, 6, 3, 0, 0\}\};
    while (true)
    {
         int choice;
         cout << endl
              << endl;
        cout << "\t\t[1] Solve the Sudoku" << endl;</pre>
        cout << "\t\t[2] Unable to solve? View the solved Sudoku" << endl;</pre>
        cout << "\t\t[3] Exit" << endl;</pre>
         cout << "\t\tEnter your choice: ";</pre>
        cin >> choice;
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switch (choice)
         {
         case 1:
             playGame(board);
             break;
         case 2:
             if (solveSudoku(board, 0, 0))
                  cout << "Completely Solved Sudoku is: " << endl;</pre>
                  cout << endl
                       << endl;
                  printBoard(board);
                  cout << endl;</pre>
                  cout << "Better luck next time!!!" << endl;</pre>
             }
             else
                  cout << "No solution found" << endl;</pre>
             break;
         case 3:
             exit(0);
         default:
             cout << "Invalid choice" << endl;</pre>
         return 0;
   }
}
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