

Ewen Quimerc'h project

Here is the docker image of my project: <https://hub.docker.com/repository/docker/feust/sudoku-solver>

What is it?

A simple sudoku solver. You can find the source code [here](#)

It is shipped in a **Docker image**, so you'll have to run a container (don't worry, the command is just below). It **mounts** a folder from your computer to the corresponding container's folder containing the sudokus. I could have done it other ways (using just a string for example) but I did it for the challenge and explore a bit Docker's functionalities.

How to use it

You should:

- put all the sudoku you want to solve in a folder `/data`
- open a terminal
- go to the `/data` parent folder (so you can see the `/data` folder by typing `ls`)
- run the following command: `docker run --rm -v "$(pwd)/data:/mnt/data" feust/sudoku-solver:2.1 mon_sudoku.txt`

If you have more skills and you want to use it a more convenient way, you can make [aliases](#) (BEWARE it depends on your computer and config):

```
echo "alias solve='docker run --rm -v \"$(pwd)/data:/mnt/data\" feust/sudoku-solver:2.1'" >> ~/.bashrc
bash
solve <name_of_your_sudoku.txt> <name_of-sudoku2.txt>
```

The results are displayed in your terminal AND in some files created on your `/data` folder 😊

Handled cases

I tried to handle as many cases I could. You can solve several sudokus in a row, or even all the sudokus in your folder by typing `$(ls)` instead of the names

Format

The sudokus should be saved in plain text files and look like this :

```
...546..9
.2.....7
..39....4
9.5....7.
```

```
7.....2.
....93...
.56..8...
.1..39...
.....8.6
```

From command line instead of files

Just type something like this:

```
echo "...546..9
.2.....7
..39....4
9.5....7.
7.....2.
....93...
.56..8...
.1..39...
.....8.6" > data/test && solve test
```

Dockerfile

```
FROM python:3.7

# Creating a special directory
RUN mkdir -p /solver

# Copying only the files we need
COPY main.py parser.py solver.py requirements.txt /solver/

# Working in solver
WORKDIR /solver

# Installing the libraries (pip comes with the python image)
RUN pip install -r requirements.txt

# Solving ! Need arguments that will be stored in /mnt/data
ENTRYPOINT [ "python3", "main.py"]
```

Examples

For one file:

```
lanfeust@troy ~/dev/tests$ docker run --rm -v "$(pwd)/data:/mnt/data" feust/sudoku-solver:2.1 sudoku2.txt
=== Reading file /mnt/data/sudoku2.txt ===
[[1 7 8 5 4 6 2 3 9]
[4 2 9 3 8 1 5 6 7]
[5 6 3 9 2 7 1 8 4]
[9 3 5 2 1 4 6 7 8]
[7 4 1 8 6 5 9 2 3]
[6 8 2 7 9 3 4 1 5]
[2 5 6 4 7 8 3 9 1]
[8 1 4 6 3 9 7 5 2]
[3 9 7 1 5 2 8 4 6]]
Sudoku solving speed:
Parsing... 0.0001 seconds
Solving... 5.316 seconds
Find the answer above or in the /mnt/data/sudoku2 file!
```

For several files:

```
lanfeust@troy ~/dev/tests$ docker run --rm -v "$(pwd)/data:/mnt/data" feust/sudoku-solver:2.1 data/$(cd data && ls)
=== Reading file /mnt/data/data/sudoku2_solved.txt ===
File doesn't exist or isn't a sudoku
=== Reading file /mnt/data/sudoku2.txt ===
[[1 7 8 5 4 6 2 3 9]
[4 2 9 3 8 1 5 6 7]
[5 6 3 9 2 7 1 8 4]
[9 3 5 2 1 4 6 7 8]
[7 4 1 8 6 5 9 2 3]
[6 8 2 7 9 3 4 1 5]
[2 5 6 4 7 8 3 9 1]
[8 1 4 6 3 9 7 5 2]
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