

# TIC TAC TOE GAME – PROJECT REPORT

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## 1. Title of the Project

**Tic Tac Toe Game in C (Human vs Human & Human vs Computer)**

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## 2. Aim of the Project

To design and implement a **console-based Tic Tac Toe game in C**, supporting both **Human vs Human** and **Human vs Computer** game modes, while demonstrating structured programming concepts.

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## 3. Objectives

1. Implement a 3×3 Tic Tac Toe board using **2D arrays**.
  2. Demonstrate the use of **functions** for modularity.
  3. Apply **conditional logic** and **loops** for turn handling and game flow.
  4. Use **random number generation** (`rand()`, `srand()`) for computer gameplay.
  5. Implement **win detection** and **draw detection** algorithms.
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## 4. Problem Statement

Develop a **C program** that allows two modes of Tic Tac Toe gameplay:

### Mode 1: Human vs Human

- Two players take turns entering positions (1–9).
- The program validates moves and updates the board.

### Mode 2: Human vs Computer

- User plays as 'X', computer plays as 'O'.
- Computer selects valid moves randomly.

The program must correctly check for:

- Win (row/column/diagonal match)
  - Draw (board is full)
  - Invalid move input
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## 5. Technologies / Concepts Used

- **C Language**
  - **Header Files:**
    - `stdio.h` – Input/Output
    - `stdlib.h` – Random functions (`rand`)
    - `time.h` – Seed generator (`time(0)`)
  - **2D Arrays**
  - **Functions and Calls**
  - **Loops (`while`, `for`)**
  - **Conditionals (`if-else`)**
  - **Random number generation**
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## 6. Project Overview

The program uses a **global 3×3 board** and several functions:

- `resetBoard()` — Initializes board with positions 1–9
  - `displayBoard()` — Prints the board layout
  - `humanMove()` — Handles user move input and validation
  - `computerMove()` — Randomly selects an empty position
  - `checkWin()` — Checks rows, columns, diagonals
  - `checkDraw()` — Determines if board is full
  - `playHumanVsHuman()` — Game loop for two players
  - `playHumanVsComputer()` — Game loop vs computer
  - `main()` — Displays the menu and starts the game
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## 7. Algorithm / Pseudocode

# Algorithm

Start

Seed random using time (s)

Show menu  $\rightarrow$  (1) Human v/s Human, (2) Human v/s Computer

Read choice

If choice = 1 (Human v/s Human)

Reset board,  $t = 0$

Loop

Display board

If  $t$  even  $\rightarrow$  player 'X' plays

Else  $\rightarrow$  player 'O' plays

Ask position (1-9), convert to row/col

If cell filled  $\rightarrow$  ask again

Place symbol

Check win  $\rightarrow$  If row/col/diagonal same  $\rightarrow$  show board & declare winner  $\rightarrow$  Exit

Check draw  $\rightarrow$  If all cells filled  $\rightarrow$  print "Draw"  $\rightarrow$  Exit

$t++$

End loop

Else if choice = 2 (Human v/s Computer)

Reset board,  $t = 0$

loop

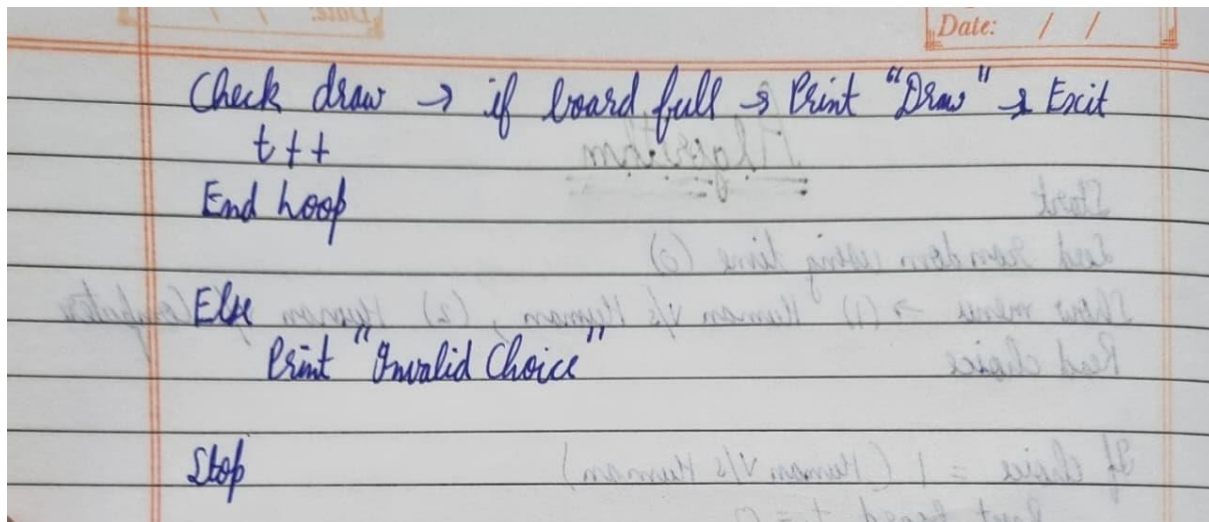
Display board

If  $t$  even  $\rightarrow$  human enters position for 'X'

Convert, validate, place 'X'

Else  $\rightarrow$  computer generates random 1-9  $\rightarrow$  if empty place 'O'

Check win  $\rightarrow$  if  $\exists$  same symbols in row/col/diagonal  
if  $t$  even  $\rightarrow$  Human wins else Computer wins  $\rightarrow$  Exit



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## 8. Code Explanation (Brief)

- The board is a **global 3×3 array**, accessible to all functions.
  - The game runs in loops and alternates turns using `t % 2`.
  - Winning patterns are checked using three rows, three columns, and two diagonals.
  - Draw occurs when no cell contains numbers 1–9.
  - Computer uses `rand()` to choose a valid empty spot.
  - Recursive re-calling of `humanMove()` ensures valid input.
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## 9. Output

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manish@Manish:~/Workspace/project/output$ ./"pro"
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TIC TAC TOE GAME
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1. Human vs Human
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2. Human vs Computer
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Choose mode: 2
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1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

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Player (X), enter position 1-9: 7
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1	2	3
4	5	6
X	8	9

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Computer's turn (O):
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1	2	3
4	5	0
X	8	9

Player (X), enter position 1-9: 9

1	2	3
4	5	0
X	8	X

Computer's turn (0):

1	2	3
4	5	0
X	0	X

Player (X), enter position 1-9: 1

X	2	3
4	5	0
X	0	X

Computer's turn (0):

X	2	3
4	0	0
X	0	X

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Player (X), enter position 1-9: 4

  X | 2 | 3
  ---|---|---
  X | 0 | 0
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  X | 0 | X

You Win!
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## 10. Possible Enhancements

- Add smarter computer AI (minimax algorithm).
- Add colored output for X and O.
- Add option to replay the game.
- Replace recursion in `humanMove()` with loops.
- Save score history.

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## 11. Conclusion

This project successfully implements a **functional and interactive Tic Tac Toe game** using C language.

It demonstrates core programming concepts such as:

- Modular programming
- Decision-making
- Loops
- 2D array manipulation
- Randomization
- Game logic handling

It provides a strong foundation for further game development and more advanced AI integration.