
Sudoku Solver With Statistics

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FINAL_PROJECT

1.1 project module

`project.argparse_logic()` → tuple[Namespace, ArgumentParser]

Returns argparse Namespace instance containing all args and flags. Assign args after returning or change what is to be returned via this function.

Raises

argparse.ArgumentError – If -m is not an int in specified range

Returns

An object containing names of args provided via cli

Return type

argparse.Namespace

`project.main()`

Main wrapper function containing all logic and loops.

`project.show_stats(db_name: str)` → None

Main logic loop for CLS menu which gives the user the ability to brow solve stats, drop db contents into a csv file, delete entries, or even drop the wole db.

Parameters

db_name – Name of database file

`project.test_pipeline(args: Namespace, sudoku_data: list[dict[str, str]], db_name: str)` → None

Test pipeline for sudoku algorithms. Elegant way for testing and writing to DB

Parameters

- **args** – Argparse Namespace
- **sudoku_data** – A dict containing sudoku puzzles and/or solutions

1.2 helpers package

1.2.1 Submodules

1.2.2 helpers.dbops module

`helpers.dbops.conn_to_db(db_name: str) → tuple[Cursor, Connection]`

Returns a cursor of DB object. DB name “stats.db”

Returns

DB cursor object

Return type

SQLite3 object

`helpers.dbops.get_data(db_name: str, db_content: str, target='') → None`

Connects to DB and reads the data to be fetched from DB table. Then prints them to the screen.

Parameters

- **db_name** – Name of database file
- **db_content** – What is to be read from the db
- **target** – A str describing what should be modified when dropping entry or table

`helpers.dbops.setup_path()`

`helpers.dbops.termination(db_conn: object) → None`

Terminates the program via sys.exit()

Parameters

db_conn – SQLite3 connection object

`helpers.dbops.write_to_db(presentation_method: str, solve_method: str, test_date: object, start_time: str, duration_time: float, puzzles_read: int, solutions_found: int, avg_solve_time: float, db_name: str) → None`

Establishes a SQLite DB if there is no DB called “stats.db”, or creates the table called “statistics” if there is none. Writes data to the DB.

Parameters

- **presentation_method** – Type of data presentation method. Available test or tofile
- **solve_method** – Algo name used to solve given dataset
- **test_date** – Date of execution
- **start_time** – Time at which the test has started
- **duration_time** – Operation duration time
- **puzzles_read** – How many puzzles there were in the dataset
- **solutions_found** – How many puzzles were solved
- **avg_solve_time** – Average time needed to solve one puzzle using given method
- **db_name** – A string representing db name

1.2.3 helpers.fileops module

`helpers.fileops.db_to_file(db_name: str) → None`

Saves DB contents into a csv file

Parameters

db_name – Name of the db file for connection purposes

`helpers.fileops.lines_positions(file: str) → list[int]`

Returns a list with 200 new line locations from a file. Uses tell() function. If file has less lines stops at file end.

Parameters

file – filename or filepath as a str

Raises

IOError – If something's wrong with the file

Returns

A list composed of new line starting locations as int

Return type

list

`helpers.fileops.linesread(file: str, line_loc: int) → str`

Returns line read from a file to help determine which column is the puzzle, and which is the solution.

Parameters

- **file** – filename or filepath as a str
- **line_loc** – Integer number of byte position for a given line

Raises

IOError – If something's wrong with the file

Returns

A string containing puzzle and solution separated with comma

Return type

str

`helpers.fileops.open_file(filename: str, mode='r') → IO`

Opens the file of given name or path.

Parameters

- **filename** – filename or filepath
- **mode** – File open mode. Here read mode.

Raises

IOError – If something's wrong with the file

Returns

A IO object

Return type

file object

`helpers.fileops.read_file(file: str, solutions: bool) → list[str]`

Returns list of dicts with sudoku puzzles or puzzles and solutions pairs provided by the user. Solutions are provided by the user. Output is going to be used to feed into the solver.

Parameters

- **file** – A string containing filename with extension or path to the file
- **solutions** – A boolean value depending on flag given by the user

Returns

A list of dicts containing sudoku data. Puzzles and solutions or puzzles only

Return type

list

`helpers.fileops.write_to_file(sudoku_data: dict[str, str], grid: list, method_name, comparison=False) → None`

Writes a bunch of data to a file called “results.csv”. Creates file if it doesn’t exist, appends if it does.

Parameters

- **sudoku_data** – A dict contain ing puzzle and/or solution provided for comparison
- **grid** – A list of list representing generated sudoku solution
- **comparison** – Result of comparison if generated solution is equivalent to provided one
- **method_name** – A string representing solve method name

1.2.4 helpers.gridops module

`helpers.gridops.grid_to_str(grid: list[list[str]]) → str`

Creates string form of a grid ready for writing to a file, or comparison with provided dataset.

Parameters

grid – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle

Returns

A string concatenated from the grid

Return type

str

`helpers.gridops.make_grid(entry: dict[str, str]) → list[list[str]]`

Takes a dict as an input. Manipulates a string and creates a 9x9 grid out of it. The grid is a list of list made of 9 rows with 9 separated string chars inside.

Parameters

entry – A string containing sudoku puzzle to solve

Returns

A list of lists (2d grid) with strings inside

Return type

list

`helpers.gridops.print_grid(grid: list[list[str]]) → object`

returns grid using NumPy matrix method

Parameters

grid – List of list representing sudoku puzzle

Returns

A grid being a NumPy object

Return type

numpy matrix object

1.2.5 helpers.miscellaneous module

`helpers.miscellaneous.clear_screen()`

Clears terminal window.

`helpers.miscellaneous.compare(grid: list[list[str]], sol_str: dict[str]) → bool`

Compares generated solution to the solution provided via file by the user

Parameters

- **grid** – A list of list representing generated sudoku solution
- **sol_str** – A string with provided solution to given puzzle for comparison

Returns

True or false

Return type

bool

1.2.6 helpers.printops module

`helpers.printops.confirmation()` → None

Confirmation menu for DB drop

`helpers.printops.print_date()` → str

Returns valid date string if input matches the pattern and adopted conventions for dates.

Returns

A date entered by the user after validation.

`helpers.printops.print_main_menu()` → None

Main menu

`helpers.printops.print_other_actions()` → None

Other actions menu

`helpers.printops.print_presentation_method_menu()` → None

Presentation by method menu

`helpers.printops.print_solve_menu()` → None

Presentation by solve method menu

1.2.7 helpers.solvers module

`helpers.solvers.bact_r_solve(grid: list[list[str]], free_fields: list[tuple], depth=0) → bool`

A backtracking recursive algorithm for solving sudoku puzzle. Algorithm writes values to the list which was the argument in function call.

Parameters

- **grid** – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle
- **free_fields** – A list of tuples representing free cells of sudoku grid
- **depth** – A value indicating where for loop should start iteration over free cells

Returns

Boolean value indicating if solution was found or not

Return type

bool

`helpers.solvers.boost_bact_r_solve(grid: list[list[str]], valid_vals: dict[tuple]) → bool`

A backtracking recursive algorithm for solving sudoku puzzle. Takes additional argument being a dict of possible values for given board field. Algorithm writes values to the list which was the argument in function call.

Parameters

- **grid** – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle
- **valid_vals** – A dict containing possible values for each free board field

Returns

Boolean value indicating if solution was found or not

Return type

bool

`helpers.solvers.cake_algo(grid: list[list[str]]) → str`

If you do this test calculation, You get a CAKE!

Parameters

grid – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle

Returns

A string containing life thoughts.

Return type

str

`helpers.solvers.dlxsudoku_module(data: dict[str]) → list[list[str]]`

Sudoku solver found on PyPI using induction, Dancing Links and brute force. <https://pypi.org/project/dlxsudoku/>

Parameters

data – Raw sudoku data containing puzzle and/or solution

Returns

Grid containing solution to given sudoku puzzle

Return type

list

`helpers.solvers.find_empty(grid: list[list[str]]) → tuple`

Checks if given board field is empty or not returning row, col tuple. Returns None otherwise.

Parameters

grid – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle

Returns

A tuple containing row and colum indices or None value

Return type

tuple or None value

`helpers.solvers.find_valid_vals(grid: list[list[str]], position: tuple[int, int]) → set`

Finds possible values for given sudoku field (row col) tuple. Adds them to the set, and returns it

Parameters

- **grid** – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle

- **position** – A tuple with row and column indices of a grid

Returns

A set of possible values for given grid's field

Return type

set

`helpers.solvers.list_of_free_fields(grid: list[list[str]]) → list[tuple[int, int]]`

Make list of free fields to speed up recursion & backtrack algorithm.

Parameters

grid – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle

Returns

A list of tuples containing free cells addresses

Return type

list of tuples of integers

`helpers.solvers.ordered_valid_vals(valid_vals: dict[tuple, list[str]]) → dict[tuple, list[str]]`

Checks the frequency of found valid values for given grid field, and orders them by ascending order

Parameters

valid_vals – A dict of strings containing available values for given fields

Returns

A dict of strings containing available values for given fields in ascending order

Return type

dict of strings

`helpers.solvers.random_walk(grid: list[list[str]]) → bool`

Made in association with CS50 Duck debugger. It solves, but its random... Sometimes it gets stuck, sometimes it takes some time to solve, and sometimes it solves the problem quite fast (rarely)...

Parameters

grid – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle

Returns

A boolean value for indication if there is a solution or not

Return type

bool

`helpers.solvers.scan_for_valid_vals(grid: list[list[str]]) → dict[tuple, list[str]]`

Function scanning given sudoku grid, and filling a dictionary with tuple (row, col) as keys, and a list of possible values for given free field of sudoku grid. List is provided by "find_valid_vals" function.

Parameters

grid – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle

Returns

A dict with key[(row, col) tuple]: [list of possible values]

Return type

dict of strings

`helpers.solvers.validator(grid: list, digit: str, position: tuple) → bool`

Algorithm for validating if given value at given grid's position can be put in it, based on game's rules, row, column and 3x3 square can't contain duplicates of any 1-9 value.

Parameters

- **grid** – A list of list representing sudoku puzzle
- **digit** – A value to put into given grid's field
- **position** – A tuple with row and column indices

Returns

True or False for given value

Return type

bool

1.2.8 helpers.validateops module

`helpers.validateops.determine_headers(file: str, lines_loc: list[int]) → list[str]`

Returns header list for `csv.DictReader()` based on the sample of data read from a file.

Parameters

- **file** – filename or filepath as a str
- **lines_loc** – List of integer number of byte position for a given line

Raises

IOError – If something's wrong with the file

Returns

A list of headers for `csv.DictReader()` determining where are the puzzles,

and where are the solutions :rtype: list

`helpers.validateops.validate_date(chosen_date: str) → bool`

Validates if a string is in valid date format, and a valid date.

Parameters

chosen_date – A string containing date for validation

Returns

Output either false or true

Return type

bool

`helpers.validateops.validate_file(filename: str) → bool`

Validates if file of given filename/filepath exists and returns T or F.

Parameters

filename (str) – Filename or path and file for validation

Returns

True or False

Return type

bool

`helpers.validateops.validate_rows(row: dict[str, str], header: list[str], solutions: bool) → bool`

Returns True if row is valid or False if not.

Parameters

- **row** – A dict containing line read from a file
- **header** – A list containing fieldnames for validation

- **solutions** – A boolean value depending on flag given by the user

Returns

True if validation is positive, False if it's negative

Return type

bool

1.2.9 Module contents

1.3 test_project module

`test_project.test_argparse_logic(monkeypatch)`

Tests if argparse_logic function is doing what is should. Uses monkeypatch fixture to provide sys.argv arguments

Parameters

monkeypatch – Pytest builtin fixture

Raises

- **AssertionError** – If positive test isn't valid
- **AttributeError** – If no errors are raised where they should be.

`test_project.test_bact_r_solve()`

Checks if tested function properly utilizes list_of_free_fields().

Function should return a list containing tuples with address cells of "0" in the grid. If the function was implemented correctly solver algorithm will find a solution to given grid.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_cake_algo()`

Tests if the output of Cake algorithm is as it should be.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_confirmation_negative()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses redirect_stdout for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by getvalue().

Raises

AssertionError – If test ends with a success

`test_project.test_confirmation_positive()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses redirect_stdout for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by getvalue().

Raises

AssertionError – If function's output isn't exact match.

`test_project.test_determine_headers()`

Checks what is the output for give data set. This is another step of the data provided in the input file.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_find_empty()`

Test if output is a tuple with row and col of the first free field.

Crucial functionality for sudoku validator.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_find_full()`

Test if output is a tuple with row and col of the first occupied field.

Crucial functionality for sudoku validator.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_grid_to_str()`

Test if joining grit to string gives the same result.

This is needed for further test, comparison and programs functionality.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_linesread()`

Checks if string returned is of 163 chars length and presence of 0

The length is fixed for every line, because of the tested file's construction. Every line is built of sudoku puzzle and solution separated by comma. If all elements are present it means that tested function returned proper line for further processing. Every line should be of 163 chars long, contain 0 only in the left part.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_make_grid()`

Checks if string conversion to a grid is valid

Grid is necessary for most of solving algorithms. So conversion in both ways is crucial.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_open_file()`

Checks if returned object is a file Tested function opens a file using built in method.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_print_date_neg(monkeypatch)`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

First step is overriding users input, which is required by tested function. Without it program waits infinitely. This is Achieved by using builtin pytest's fixture monkeypatch. It uses setattr pointing to readline for data input.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses redirect_stdout for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by getvalue().

Parameters**monkeypatch** – Builtin Pytest functionality**Raises****AssertionError** – If function's output isn't an exception.`test_project.test_print_date_pos(monkeypatch)`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

First step is overriding users input, which is required by tested function. Without it program waits infinitely. This is Achieved by using builtin pytest's fixture monkeypatch. It uses setattr pointing to readline for data input.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses redirect_stdout for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by getvalue().

Parameters**monkeypatch** – Builtin Pytest functionality**Raises****AssertionError** – If function's output isn't exact match.`test_project.test_print_main_menu_neg()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses redirect_stdout for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by getvalue().

Raises**AssertionError** – If test ends with a success`test_project.test_print_main_menu_pos()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses redirect_stdout for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by getvalue().

Raises**AssertionError** – If function's output isn't exact match.`test_project.test_print_other_actions_neg()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses redirect_stdout for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by getvalue().

Raises**AssertionError** – If test ends with a success`test_project.test_print_other_actions_pos()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses redirect_stdout for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by getvalue().

Raises**AssertionError** – If function's output isn't exact match.`test_project.test_print_presentation_method_menu_neg()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses redirect_stdout for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by getvalue().

Raises

AssertionError – If test ends with a success

`test_project.test_print_presentation_method_menu_pos()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses `redirect_stdout` for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by `getvalue()`.

Raises

AssertionError – If function's output isn't exact match.

`test_project.test_print_solve_menu_neg()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses `redirect_stdout` for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by `getvalue()`.

Raises

AssertionError – If test ends with a success

`test_project.test_print_solve_menu_pos()`

Test written for checking if print output of a function is valid or not.

Test is executed by the usage of contextlib and io modules. Contextlib uses `redirect_stdout` for print output than with help of StringIO an object is created, and the data extraction processed by `getvalue()`.

Raises

AssertionError – If function's output isn't exact match.

`test_project.test_read_file()`

Checks if returned object is of list type.

Tested function should read through the file and return a list containing every valid line, of read file. So if we have a list object, we should be ready to proceed.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_validate_file()`

Validates whether a file exists and if it is a file indeed. Tested function uses `os.path.isfile()` for the validation.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_validate_rows_noflag()`

Tests puzzle for data validation. Noflag for solutions.

Tested function should check if a read row is valid for further manipulation, and solving processes. It is done by checking if provided header of csv file is same as file contents. If i.g. there should be no comma in any line, and it should contain "0" values.

Raises

AssertionError – If test isn't valid

`test_project.test_validate_rows_puzzle()`

Test puzzle data validation.

Tested function should check if a read row is valid for further manipulation, and solving processes. It is done by checking if provided header of csv file is same as file contents. If i.g. puzzle, solution header is provided, "0" values should be only on the left part of each line.

Raises**AssertionError** – If test isn't valid`test_project.test_validate_rows_solution()`

Tests solutions data validation.

Tested function should check if a read row is valid for further manipulation, and solving processes. It is done by checking if provided header of csv file is same as file contents. If i.g. puzzle, solution header is provided, there should be no "0" values in the solution part of the line. part of each line.

Raises**AssertionError** – If test isn't valid`test_project.test_validator()`

Tests if validator is returning right boolean output

No solution if it is against the rules. So validator should assert if given digit, can fit into checked cell.

Raises**AssertionError** – If test isn't valid`test_project.test_write_to_file()`

Test write to file functionality.

When users desires to write sudoku puzzle solutions into the file, tested function should fulfill that desire. Test is simple, after using this function 'results.csv' file should be created. If so, when opened it should be an instance of parent class.

Raises**AssertionError** – If test isn't valid

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