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Our 3 major components are the Main function, the sudokuChecker and the sudokuSolver

SudokuChecker

This is the main checkSudoku function, it creates a total of 11 threads and checks if the solution presented is valid. It creates a y checking thread and an x checking thread. Then it loops 9 times and creates 9 square checker threads

```
1  int checkSudoku ()
2  {
3      int returnVal = 0;
4      int *res = 0;
5      //coord squares[9];
6      pthread_t thy;
7      pthread_t thx;
8      pthread_t th[9];
9
10
11     //creates one instance of the x and y threads
12     if (pthread_create(&thy, NULL, &checkThreadY, NULL) != 0){
13         perror("thread creation failed");
14     }
15     if (pthread_create(&thx, NULL, &checkThreadX, NULL) != 0){
16         perror("thread creation failed");
17     }
18     //loops and creates 9 squareChecker threads
19
20     for (int i = 0; i < 9; i++)
21     {
22         int *a = malloc(sizeof(int));
23         *a = i;
24         if (pthread_create(&th[i], NULL, checkThreadSquare, a));
25     }
26
27     //joins x and y threads
28     if (pthread_join(thy, (void**) &res) != 0){
29         perror("thread join failed");
30     }
31     //sums res* (the return value) to returnVal
32     returnVal += *res;
33     if (pthread_join(thx, (void**) &res) != 0){
34         perror("thread join failed");
35     }
36     returnVal += *res;
37     for (int i = 0; i < 9; i++)
38     {
39         if (pthread_join(th[i], (void**) &res) != 0){
40             perror("thread join failed");
41         };
42         //sums res* (the return value) to returnVal
43         returnVal += *res;
44     }
45
46     //returns returnVal, if the number is greater than 0 then the solution is invalid
47     return returnVal;
48 }
```

Figure 1 checkSudoku function



```

1 void *checkThreadY(void *args)
2 {
3     //debugging code
4     //allocates an int for returning
5     int *result = malloc(sizeof(int));
6     *result = 0;
7     //Loops through array to check if each column sums to 45
8     for (int x = 0; x<9; x++)
9     {
10         int temp = 0;
11         for (int y = 0; y<9; y++)
12         {
13             temp += puzzle[y][x];
14         }
15         if (temp != 45)
16             //if any column does not equal 45 the result int will get switched to 1 and return 1
17             {
18                 *result = 1;
19             }
20     }
21     //returns the result casted as a void pointer
22     return ((void *) result);
23 }

```

Figure 2 checkY thread

Here is the checkY thread, the checkX thread is functionally similar so I will ignore that. The thread allocates memory for result so that it will not be destroyed when the thread finishes. The thread then iterates through each column (in the x thread its each row) and sums up the total, in a standard sudoku game the sum for a valid row, column or square will be 45
 $(1+2+3+4+5+6+7+8+9 = 45)$

If the result is not 45 it sets result to 1. After it finishes iterating through it returns 1 if it is invalid and 0 if it is not.

```

1 void *checkThreadSquare(void *args)
2 {
3     int index = *(int *)args;
4     int *result = malloc(sizeof(int));
5     *result = 0;
6     int x1 = 0;
7     int y1 = 0;
8     //gets coordinates from a single int here
9     x1 = ((int)floor(index / 3)) * 3;
10    y1 = (index % 3) * 3;
11
12    int temp = 0;
13    for (int x = 0; x < 3; x++)
14    {
15        for (int y = 0; y < 3; y++)
16        {
17            temp += puzzle[y+y1][x+x1];
18        }
19    }
20    if (temp != 45)
21
22        //if any column does not equal 45 the result int will get switched to 1 and return 1
23        {
24            *result = 1;
25        }
26    //returns the result casted as a void pointer
27    //frees the argument (we allocated memory for it in the loop)
28    free(args);
29    return ((void *) result);
30 }

```

Here is the checkThreadSquare thread. It takes an in argument of 0-8. 0 being the first square (top left) and 8 being the last one (bottom right) it then converts this to a coordinate using this math snippet.

```

1     x1 = ((int)floor(index / 3)) * 3;
2     y1 = (index % 3) * 3;
3

```

Afterwards it iterates in the square and sums. If the sum is not 45 it returns a 1.

SudokuSolve function

```
1  int solve(int sudoku[9][9])
2  {
3      int row;
4      int column;
5      //if sudoku puzzle is solved (every cell is full) return 1
6      if(!find_empty_cell(sudoku, &row, &column)) return 1;
7      for (int guess = 1; guess < 10; guess++)
8      //cycles through numbers 1 to 9 to check for a valid guess at each part
9      {
10         if (valid(sudoku, row, column, guess))
11         {
12             sudoku[row][column] = guess;
13             //iterates deeper
14             if(solve(sudoku)) return 1;
15             //if that guess does not yield a solution, set the square equal to 0 and iterate further
16             sudoku[row][column] = 0;
17         }
18     }
19     return 0;
20 }
```

The solve function is a depth first recursive algorithm. It scans for an empty cell and then guesses the numbers 1 through 9. After each guess it calls the solve function one deeper, if the guess does not work it works back up 1 level and iterates to the next guess.

```
1  int valid(int sudoku[9][9], int row, int column, int guess)
2  {
3      int corner_x = row / 3 * 3;
4      int corner_y = column / 3 * 3;
5
6      for (int x = 0; x < 9; ++x)
7      {
8          //efficient code to increment through each square, row and column of the guess
9          //if the number is found, return a 0, if the number is not found it returns a 1
10         if (sudoku[row][x] == guess) return 0;
11         if (sudoku[x][column] == guess) return 0;
12         if (sudoku[corner_x + (x % 3)][corner_y + (x / 3)] == guess) return 0;
13     }
14     return 1;
15 }
```

Main Function

```
1  int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
2  {
3      //opening file code
4      FILE *FILE1;
5      FILE1 = fopen("puzzle.txt", "r");
6      if(FILE1 == NULL){
7          //throw error
8          printf("Error opening file.\n");
9          exit(1);
10     }
11
12     for(int i = 0; i < 9; i++){
13         for(int j = 0; j < 9; j++){
14             fscanf(FILE1, "%d", &puzzle[i][j]);
15         }
16     }
17     //closes file upon reading
18     fclose(FILE1);
19     printf("Your sudoku puzzle is: \n");
20     print(puzzle);
21     printf("\n");
22
23     printf("\nSolving the given puzzle.....\n");
24
25     solve(puzzle);
26
27     print(puzzle);
28     printf("\n");
29
30     int *res = 0;
31
32     //if checkSudoku() returns more than 1 we know it was not a valid solution
33     if (checkSudoku() ≥ 1)
34     {
35         printf("Sudoku Solution is invalid \n");
36     }
37     else
38     {
39         printf("Sudoku Solution is valid \n");
40         //outputs file here
41         FILE *FILE2;
42         FILE2= fopen("solution.txt","w+");
43         //open of create file named solution.txt
44         if(FILE2 == NULL){ // chek for error
45             printf("Error opening/creating file.\n");
46             exit(1);
47         }
48         for(int i = 0; i < 9; i++){ //for loop to add text to file
49             for(int j = 0; j < 9; j++){
50                 fprintf(FILE2,"%d ", puzzle[i][j]);
51             }
52             fprintf(FILE2,"\n");
53         }
54         //closes file from output
55         fclose(FILE2);
56         printf("Solution printed to solution.txt\n");
57     }
58 }
59
```

Here is the main function in its entirety. It opens the puzzle.txt file, scans it and adds the contents to an array called puzzle. Then it prints it and solves it. Afterwards it checks the solution, if it is valid it will then output the solution to a text file.