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ABSTRACT

This project implements the classic Tic-Tac-Toe game in Java, designed for two players who take turns to place their respective marks ('X' or 'O') on a 3x3 grid. The game aims to achieve three consecutive marks either horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. The Java application provides an interactive console-based interface, where players can input their moves by specifying row and column positions. The program performs checks after every move to determine if a player has won, if the game is a draw, or if the game continues. The game also includes input validation to ensure that moves are valid and that players cannot overwrite existing marks.

The Java-based Tic-Tac-Toe game is designed with the following features:

- Board Representation: The game board is represented using a 2D array (`char[][]`), where each element holds the current state of the grid (either 'X', 'O', or an empty space).
- Game Flow: Players take turns to make moves, which are accepted via input coordinates (row and column). After each move, the game checks for a win or draw condition.
- Turn Management: The game alternates between players, allowing one to play as 'X' and the other as 'O'. The game continues until there is a winner or a draw.
- User Interface: The game uses a simple console interface for input and output, displaying the current board after each move and prompting players for their next action.

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Introduction

Problem Statement

Create a simple, interactive game of Tic Tac Toe for two players. The game should allow players to make moves in a grid format and determine the outcome based on standard game rules.

Purpose of the Project

Develop a functional, user-friendly game to demonstrate core Java programming principles, including object-oriented programming, data structures, and graphical user interfaces (if a GUI is included).

Scope of the Project

The project covers game mechanics, win/tie conditions, and an intuitive user interface. It does not include AI or multiplayer networking features.

Project Requirements

Hardware Requirements

Processor: Minimum 1 GHz

RAM: 2GB or higher

Storage: 50MB of free space

Software Requirements

Java Development Kit (JDK): Version 8 or higher

Integrated Development Environment (IDE): IntelliJ IDEA, Eclipse, or NetBeans

Libraries: Standard Java libraries (no external libraries are needed)

System Requirements

Operating System: Windows, macOS, or Linux

Java Runtime Environment (JRE): Java 8 or higher installed

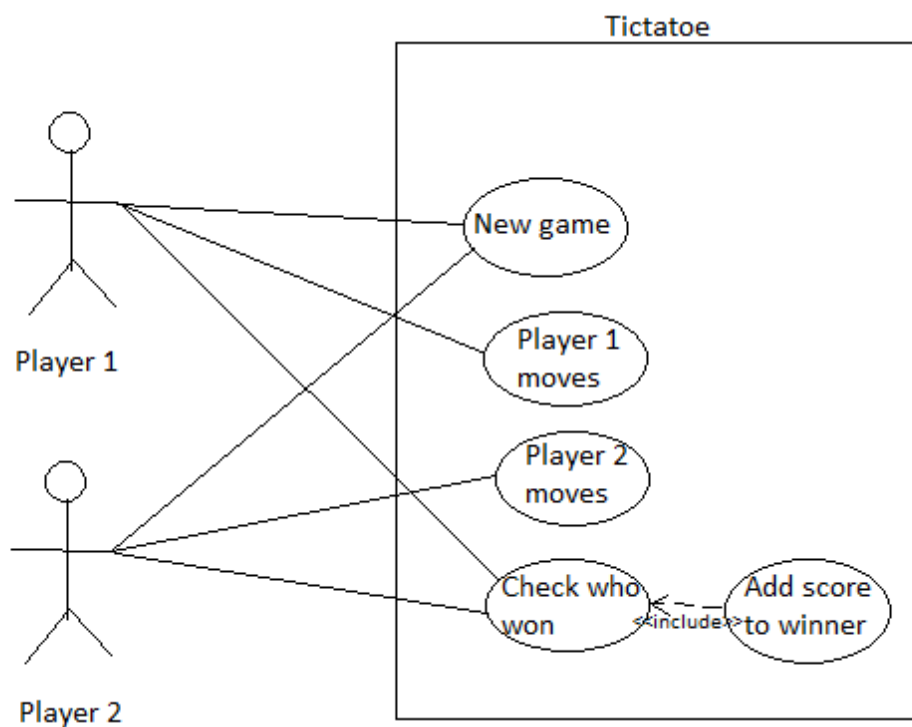
System Design

Architecture

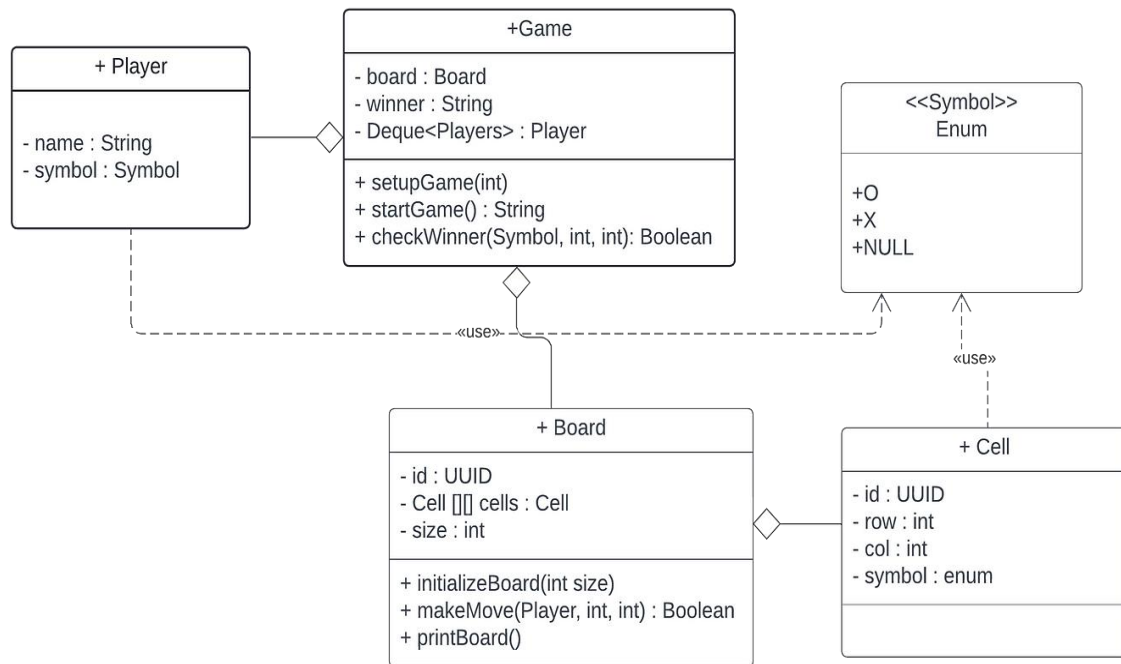
The project follows a modular design:

1. Main Game Class: Controls the flow of the game, switching turns, checking for win conditions, and managing the game state.
2. Board Class: Handles the 3x3 game grid, printing the current board state, and checking if all cells are filled.
3. Player Class: Represents a player with a symbol ('X' or 'O') and the logic for making a move.
4. InputValidator Class: Ensures that the user's input is valid (e.g., within bounds and in an empty space).

Class case Diagram



UML Diagram



Game Class: Main class for game logic (methods: `startGame()`, `checkWin()`, `resetGame()`).

Board Class: Manages the game board (methods: `printBoard()`, `updateBoard()`, `isBoardFull()`).

Player Class: Represents the player (methods: `getMove()`).

InputValidator Class: Validates player inputs (methods: `validateMove()`).

Implementation

Overview of Classes and Methods:

Game: Manages the game flow, player turns, and checks for win/tie conditions.

Board: Represents the Tic Tac Toe grid and handles board updates.

Player: Manages player information, including symbols (X or O) and moves.

Core Functionalities:

Game initialization, turn-taking, move validation, and win/tie detection. (Optional) GUI version with buttons representing grid cells.

Challenges and Solutions:

Discuss handling input validation, tie conditions, and possible null values for unoccupied cells. Sample Code Snippets (optional): Include critical code for methods like `checkWin()` and `playMove()`.

Source Code

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class TicTacToe {
    private static char[][] board = {{'1', '2', '3'}, {'4', '5', '6'}, {'7', '8', '9'}};
    private static char currentPlayer = 'X';

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);
        int move;
        boolean gameWon = false;

        while (true) {
            printBoard();
            System.out.println("Player " + currentPlayer + ", enter your move (1-9): ");
            move = scanner.nextInt();

            if (!isValidMove(move)) {
                System.out.println("This move is not valid. Try again.");
                continue;
            }

            makeMove(move);
            gameWon = checkWin();

            if (gameWon) {
                printBoard();
                System.out.println("Player " + currentPlayer + " wins!");
                break;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```

    }

    if (isBoardFull()) {
        printBoard();
        System.out.println("The game is a draw!");
        break;
    }

    currentPlayer = (currentPlayer == 'X') ? 'O' : 'X';
}

scanner.close();
}

private static void printBoard() {
    System.out.println(" " + board[0][0] + " | " + board[0][1] + " | " + board[0][2]);
    System.out.println("---|---|---");
    System.out.println(" " + board[1][0] + " | " + board[1][1] + " | " + board[1][2]);
    System.out.println("---|---|---");
    System.out.println(" " + board[2][0] + " | " + board[2][1] + " | " + board[2][2]);
}

private static boolean isValidMove(int move) {
    if (move < 1 || move > 9) {
        return false;
    }

    int row = (move - 1) / 3;
    int col = (move - 1) % 3;
    return board[row][col] != 'X' && board[row][col] != 'O';
}

```

```

private static void makeMove(int move) {
    int row = (move - 1) / 3;
    int col = (move - 1) % 3;
    board[row][col] = currentPlayer;
}

private static boolean checkWin() {
    // Check rows, columns, and diagonals
    for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
        if (board[i][0] == currentPlayer && board[i][1] == currentPlayer && board[i][2] ==
currentPlayer) {
            return true;
        }
        if (board[0][i] == currentPlayer && board[1][i] == currentPlayer && board[2][i] ==
currentPlayer) {
            return true;
        }
    }
    if (board[0][0] == currentPlayer && board[1][1] == currentPlayer && board[2][2] ==
currentPlayer) {
        return true;
    }
    if (board[0][2] == currentPlayer && board[1][1] == currentPlayer && board[2][0] ==
currentPlayer) {
        return true;
    }
    return false;
}

private static boolean isBoardFull() {
    for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {

```

```

        for (int j = 0; j < 3; j++) {
            if (board[i][j] != 'X' && board[i][j] != 'O') {
                return false;
            }
        }
    }
    return true;
}
}

```

❖ **Explanation**

Key Components of the Program:

- **Game Board:**

The board is a 3x3 grid represented as a 2D character array (board[3][3]).

Initially, the board is filled with numbers ('1' to '9'), which correspond to the positions where players can make a move.

- **Game Loop:**

The game runs inside an infinite while (true) loop where players take turns making moves until the game ends (either by a win or a draw).

The loop performs the following actions in each iteration:

1. Print the current state of the board.
2. Prompt the current player to make a move.
3. Validate the move.
4. Make the move on the board if valid.
5. Check if the current player has won.
6. Check if the board is full (indicating a draw).

7. Switch to the next player ('X' or 'O').

Player Move:

The player enters a number between 1 and 9 corresponding to an empty spot on the board.

The `isValidMove()` method checks if the entered move is within the valid range (1-9) and if the spot has not already been occupied by either player ('X' or 'O').

- **Making the Move:**

When a valid move is entered, the program calculates the row and column in the board array based on the move number (1-9), then updates the board with the current player's symbol ('X' or 'O').

- **Win Condition:**

The `checkWin()` method checks if the current player has won. It checks:

Rows: If all three cells in any row contain the current player's symbol.

Columns: If all three cells in any column contain the current player's symbol.

Diagonals: If all three cells in either diagonal contain the current player's symbol.

If any of these conditions are met, the player wins.

- **Switching Players:**

After each valid move, the current player is alternated. If the current player is 'X', it changes to 'O', and vice versa.

- **Game End:**

The game will end in one of two ways:

Win: If the current player wins, a message is displayed, and the game ends.

Draw: If the board is full and no player has won, a message is displayed indicating the game is a draw.

Output:

1 | 2 | 3

---|---|---

4 | 5 | 6

---|---|---

7 | 8 | 9

Player X, enter your move (1-9):

1

X | 2 | 3

---|---|---

4 | 5 | 6

---|---|---

7 | 8 | 9

Player O, enter your move (1-9):

5

X | 2 | 3

---|---|---

4 | O | 6

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7 | 8 | 9

Player X, enter your move (1-9):

2

X | X | 3

---|---|---

4 | O | 6

---|---|---

7 | 8 | 9

Player O, enter your move (1-9):

6

X | X | 3

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4 | O | O

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7 | 8 | 9

Player X, enter your move (1-9):

3

X | X | X

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4 | O | O

---|---|---

7 | 8 | 9

Player X wins!

Testing and Validation

Test Plan:

Unit Testing: Testing individual methods like `updateBoard()`, `checkWin()`, and `isBoardFull()`.

Integration Testing: Testing interactions between the Game, Board, and Player classes.

User Acceptance Testing: Ensuring the game works as intended from a user perspective.

Test Cases:

Test Case 1: Player X wins by completing a horizontal row.

Input: Player X chooses (0,0), (0,1), (0,2).

Expected Output: "Player X wins!"

Test Case 2: Game results in a draw (all cells filled, no winner).

Input: Players alternate turns, and the board is filled without any winner.

Expected Output: "It's a draw!"

Bug Tracking:

Minor bug in input validation (handling negative indices). Fixed by adding additional checks for input range.

Results

Screenshots of output

Output:

1 | 2 | 3

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4 | 5 | 6

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7 | 8 | 9

Player X, enter your move (1-9):

1

X | 2 | 3

---|---|---

4 | 5 | 6

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7 | 8 | 9

Player O, enter your move (1-9):

5

X | 2 | 3

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4 | O | 6

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7 | 8 | 9

Player X, enter your move (1-9):

2

X | X | 3

---|---|---

4 | O | 6

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7 | 8 | 9

Player O, enter your move (1-9):

6

X | X | 3

---|---|---

4 | O | O

---|---|---

7 | 8 | 9

Player X, enter your move (1-9):

3

X | X | X

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4 | O | O

---|---|---

7 | 8 | 9

Player X wins!

Discussion

Advantages:

Simple, interactive game with minimal setup.

Provides a good starting point for learning Java and game logic.

Easy to extend (adding AI, GUI, or network play).

Limitations:

Console-based; no graphical interface.

Only supports two players; no single-player mode.

Future Enhancements:

Implement an AI opponent to play against the user.

Build a Graphical User Interface (GUI) using JavaFX or swing

Conclusion

The Tic Tac Toe game was successfully implemented using Java, demonstrating key programming concepts like loops, arrays, and object-oriented design. It offers a basic yet fully functional game that is easy to play and understand. Through this project, I gained valuable experience in Java development, problem-solving, and game logic.

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