

CSE 102 Spring 2025 – Computer Programming

Assignment 12

Due on May 29, 2025 at 23:59

You will write a C program that will play the classical game reversi. The game of reversi is played by two players (computer and user) on a two dimensional board (2D array) with rectangular cells. Each cell is either computer, user, or empty. The game starts with the following board for an 8x8 game

	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h
1
2
3
4	.	.	.	X	O	.	.	.
5	.	.	.	O	X	.	.	.
6
7
8

where . represents the empty cells, X represents the computer cells and O represents the user cells. The players take turns to play the game. For the above board, the user can play positions at 4c, 3d, 5f, or 6e. For example, if the user plays to positions 4c then the board becomes

	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h
1
2
3
4	.	.	O	O	O	.	.	.
5	.	.	.	O	X	.	.	.
6
7
8

The computer cell at 4d becomes a user cell because it is between two user cells. The computer now can play positions at 3c, 3e, or 5c. The game continues this way until all cells are filled and the player with the most cells wins the game. For the detailed rules of the game see <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Reversi>. There are many online reversi games, choose one of them and play against the computer to learn the game rules and develop some game strategies. <https://www.mathsisfun.com/games/reversi.html> is a good example.

Your program will do the following

1. When your program starts, you will ask the user the board size, the board size can be 4x4, 6x6, 8x8, 10x10, ..., 20x20. The side length must be an even number. You should check the validity of the input.
2. You will display the initial board where at the center there are two diagonal X and O cells as shown above.
3. You ask the user to make a move, get the user move from the keyboard and draw the new board. Use positions such as 4C, 5B etc. If the move is not legal, then ask for another move.
4. The computer makes a new move and draws the board again. You should print what move the computer chose on the screen. The move should be legal and try to make it “smart”. In other words, chose the legal move that wins the largest number of cells instead of other moves.
5. The game continues until all the board is filled or players have no legal moves to make.
6. The final result of the game should be printed on the screen showing who won and the number of cells for each player.
7. For coordinates infos use struct, use enum for cells.

Notes:

- Your program should have only functions.
- Use dynamic memory allocation. You can use Valgrind to check for memory leaks.
- Do not forget to indent your code and provide comments.
- Check the validity of the user input.
- **Test your programs very carefully at least with 10 different runs. For some runs, let the computer win and for others the user should win. There should be cases for illegal moves and your program should handle them appropriately.**
- Submit your homework as a zip file named as your student id (StudentID.zip) and this file should include:
 - YourStudentID.c file
- Programs with compilation errors will get 0.
- The output format must be as given, do not change it.
- Compile your work with the given command “gcc --ansi your_program.c -o your_program”.
- For any questions and problems, you can always contact me via email zelihaerim@gtu.edu.tr.