Game of life:

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* Game of Life.
* Usage: "java GameOfLife fileName"
* The file represents the initial board.
public class GameOfLife {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
       String fileName = args[0];
       //test1(fileName);
       // test3(fileName, 3);
       //play(fileName);
   private static void test1(String fileName) {
       int[][] board = read(fileName);
       print(board);
   // the count and cellValue functions.
   private static void test2(String fileName) {
       int[][] board = read(fileName);
   // Reads the data file, plays the game for Ngen generations,
   private static void test3(String fileName, int Ngen) {
       int[][] board = read(fileName);
       for (int gen = 0; gen < Ngen; gen++) {</pre>
           System.out.println("Generation " + gen + ":");
           print(board);
           board = evolve(board);
   // Reads the data file and plays the game, for ever.
   public static void play(String fileName) {
       int[][] board = read(fileName);
       while (true) {
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show(board);
            board = evolve(board);
uses the data
    // to construct and populate a 2D array that represents the game board, and
    // Live and dead cells are represented by 1 and 0, respectively. The
constructed board has 2 extra
   // rows and 2 extra columns, containing zeros. These are the top and the bottom
row, and the leftmost
of zeros. You can think
    // of this frame as representing the infinite number of dead cells that exist
in every direction.
    public static int[][] read(String fileName) {
        In in = new In(fileName); // Constructs an In object for reading the input
file
        int rows = Integer.parseInt(in.readLine());
        int cols = Integer.parseInt(in.readLine());
        int[][] board = new int[rows + 2][cols + 2];
        for (int i = 1; i <= rows; i++) {
            String line = in.readLine();
            for (int j = 1; j <= cols; j++) {
                if (j <= line.length()) {</pre>
                    char cell = line.charAt(j - 1);
                    board[i][j] = (cell == 'x') ? 1 : 0;
                } else {
                    board[i][j] = 0;
        return board;
    // Creates a new board from the given board, using the rules of the game.
    // cell in the new board. Returns the new board.
    public static int[][] evolve(int[][] board) {
        int rows = board.length;
        int cols = board[0].length;
        int[][] newBoard = new int[rows][cols];
        for (int i = 1; i < rows - 1; i++) {
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for (int j = 1; j < cols - 1; j++) {
            newBoard[i][j] = cellValue(board, i, j);
    return newBoard;
// If the cell is alive (equals 1) and has fewer than two live neighbors, it
// If the cell is alive and has two or three live neighbors, it remains alive.
// If the cell is alive and has more than three live neighbors, it dies.
// If the cell is dead and has three live neighbors, it becomes alive.
// Assumes that i is at least 1 and at most the number of rows in the board -
// Uses the count(board,i,j) function to count the number of alive neighbors.
public static int cellValue(int[][] board, int i, int j) {
    int alive = count(board, i, j);
    if (board[i][j] == 1) {
        if (alive < 2 || alive > 3) {
            return 0;
        } else {
            return 1;
    } else {
        if (alive == 3) {
            return 1;
        } else {
            return 0;
// Counts and returns the number of living neighbors of the given cell
// (The cell itself is not counted).
// Assumes that i is at least 1 and at most the number of rows in the board -
public static int count(int[][] board, int i, int j) {
    int count = 0;
    for (int row = i - 1; row <= i + 1; row++) {
        for (int col = j - 1; col <= j + 1; col++) {
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if (!(row == i && col == j)) {
                    count += board[row][col];
        return count;
   // Prints the board. Alive and dead cells are printed as 1 and 0, respectively.
   public static void print(int[][] arr) {
        int rows = arr.length;
        int cols = arr[0].length;
        for (int i = 1; i < rows - 1; i++) {
            for (int j = 1; j < cols - 1; j++) {
                System.out.print(" " + arr[i][j]);
           System.out.println();
   // Displays the board. Living and dead cells are represented by black and white
squares, respectively.
   // We use a fixed-size canvas of 900 pixels by 900 pixels for displaying game
boards of different sizes.
    // In order to handle any given board size, we scale the X and Y dimensions
according to the board size.
larger the squares
   public static void show(int[][] board) {
        StdDraw.setCanvasSize(900, 900);
        int rows = board.length;
        int cols = board[0].length;
        StdDraw.setXscale(0, cols);
        StdDraw.setYscale(0, rows);
        // the StdDraw.show function is called.
        StdDraw.enableDoubleBuffering();
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// will be drawn in the overall canvas. If the cell contains 1, sets the
square's color
    // to black; otherwise, sets it to white. In the RGB (Red-Green-Blue) color
scheme used by
    // StdDraw, the RGB codes of black and white are, respetively, (0,0,0) and
(255,255,255).
    for (int i = 0; i < rows; i++) {
            for (int j = 0; j < cols; j++) {
                int color = 255 * (1 - board[i][j]);
                StdDraw.setPenColor(color, color, color);
                StdDraw.filledRectangle(j + 0.5, rows - i - 0.5, 0.5, 0.5);
            }
            StdDraw.show();
            StdDraw.pause(100);
        }
}</pre>
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