

Conway's Game of Life

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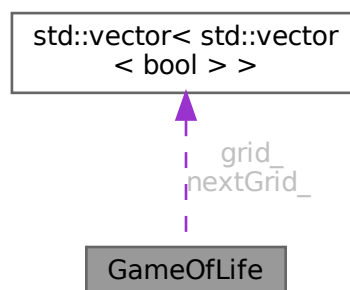
1 Class Documentation

1.1 GameOfLife Class Reference

Class implementing Conway's Game of Life simulation.

```
#include <GameOfLife.h>
```

Collaboration diagram for GameOfLife:



Public Member Functions

- `GameOfLife` (int height, int width)
Constructor for the `GameOfLife` class.
- `~GameOfLife` ()
Destructor for the `GameOfLife` class.
- void `initializeRandom` ()
Initialize the game with a random pattern.
- void `initializePattern` (const std::vector< std::vector< bool > > &pattern)
Initialize the game with a specific pattern.
- void `run` ()
Run the game simulation.
- void `update` ()
Update the game state for one generation.
- void `draw` ()
Draw the current game state.
- bool `saveAsBMP` (const std::string &filename)
Save the current game state as a BMP image.

Private Member Functions

- void `initNCurses` ()
Initialize ncurses settings.
- int `countNeighbors` (int row, int col)
Count the number of live neighbors for a cell.
- std::string `generateTimestamp` ()
Generate a timestamp string for filenames.
- void `writeBMPHeader` (std::ofstream &file, int width, int height)
Write BMP file header.
- void `writeBMPData` (std::ofstream &file)
Write BMP image data.

Private Attributes

- int `height_`
Height of the game grid.
- int `width_`
Width of the game grid.
- std::vector< std::vector< bool > > `grid_`
Current state of the game grid.
- std::vector< std::vector< bool > > `nextGrid_`
Next state of the game grid.
- bool `running_`
Flag indicating if the game is running.
- int `generation_`
Current generation count.

1.1.1 Detailed Description

Class implementing Conway's Game of Life simulation.

This class provides functionality to run and visualize Conway's Game of Life using the ncurses library for terminal-based visualization.

Definition at line 26 of file [GameOfLife.h](#).

1.1.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

GameOfLife()

```
GameOfLife::GameOfLife (
    int height,
    int width )
```

Constructor for the [GameOfLife](#) class.

Parameters

<i>height</i>	The height of the game grid
<i>width</i>	The width of the game grid

Definition at line 8 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```
00009 : height_(height), width_(width), running_(true), generation_(0) {
00010 // Initialize grid with all cells dead
00011 grid_.resize(height_, std::vector<bool>(width_, false));
00012 nextGrid_.resize(height_, std::vector<bool>(width_, false));
00013
00014 // Initialize ncurses
00015 initNCurses();
00016
00017 // Seed random number generator
00018 std::srand(std::time(nullptr));
00019 }
```

~GameOfLife()

```
GameOfLife::~GameOfLife ( )
```

Destructor for the [GameOfLife](#) class.

Definition at line 21 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```
00021 {
00022 // End ncurses mode
00023 endwin();
00024 }
```

1.1.3 Member Function Documentation

countNeighbors()

```
int GameOfLife::countNeighbors (
    int row,
    int col ) [private]
```

Count the number of live neighbors for a cell.

Parameters

<i>row</i>	The row of the cell
<i>col</i>	The column of the cell

Returns

The number of live neighbors

Definition at line 158 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```
00158                                     {
00159     int count = 0;
00160
00161     // Check all 8 neighboring cells
00162     for (int i = -1; i <= 1; i++) {
00163         for (int j = -1; j <= 1; j++) {
00164             // Skip the cell itself
00165             if (i == 0 && j == 0) continue;
00166
00167             // Calculate neighbor coordinates with wrapping
00168             int neighborRow = (row + i + height_) % height_;
00169             int neighborCol = (col + j + width_) % width_;
00170
00171             // Count live neighbors
00172             if (grid_[neighborRow][neighborCol]) {
00173                 count++;
00174             }
00175         }
00176     }
00177
00178     return count;
00179 }
```

draw()

```
void GameOfLife::draw ( )
```

Draw the current game state.

Definition at line 181 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```
00181     {
00182         for (int i = 0; i < height_; i++) {
00183             for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {
00184                 if (grid_[i][j]) {
00185                     // Cell is alive
00186                     if (has_colors()) {
00187                         attron(COLOR_PAIR(1));
00188                         mvaddch(i, j, ' ');
00189                         attroff(COLOR_PAIR(1));
00190                     } else {
00191                         mvaddch(i, j, '#');
00192                     }
00193                 } else {
00194                     // Cell is dead
00195                     if (has_colors()) {
00196                         attron(COLOR_PAIR(2));
00197                         mvaddch(i, j, ' ');
00198                         attroff(COLOR_PAIR(2));
00199                     } else {
00200                         mvaddch(i, j, '.');
00201                     }
00202                 }
00203             }
00204         }
00205
00206         // Update the screen
00207         refresh();
00208     }
```

generateTimestamp()

```
std::string GameOfLife::generateTimestamp ( ) [private]
```

Generate a timestamp string for filenames.

Returns

A string containing the current timestamp

Definition at line 210 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```
00210 {
00211     auto now = std::time(nullptr);
00212     auto tm = *std::localtime(&now);
00213
00214     std::ostringstream oss;
00215     oss << std::put_time(&tm, "%Y%m%d_%H%M%S");
00216     return oss.str();
00217 }
```

initializePattern()

```
void GameOfLife::initializePattern (
    const std::vector< std::vector< bool > > & pattern )
```

Initialize the game with a specific pattern.

Parameters

<i>pattern</i>	The pattern to initialize with
----------------	--------------------------------

Definition at line 52 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```
00052 {
00053     int patternHeight = pattern.size();
00054     int patternWidth = pattern[0].size();
00055
00056     // Calculate starting position to center the pattern
00057     int startRow = (height_ - patternHeight) / 2;
00058     int startCol = (width_ - patternWidth) / 2;
00059
00060     // Clear the grid first
00061     for (int i = 0; i < height_; i++) {
00062         for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {
00063             grid_[i][j] = false;
00064         }
00065     }
00066
00067     // Place the pattern in the center
00068     for (int i = 0; i < patternHeight; i++) {
00069         for (int j = 0; j < patternWidth; j++) {
00070             int row = startRow + i;
00071             int col = startCol + j;
00072             if (row >= 0 && row < height_ && col >= 0 && col < width_) {
00073                 grid_[row][col] = pattern[i][j];
00074             }
00075         }
00076     }
00077 }
```

initializeRandom()

```
void GameOfLife::initializeRandom ( )
```

Initialize the game with a random pattern.

Definition at line 43 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```
00043     {
00044         for (int i = 0; i < height_; i++) {
00045             for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {
00046                 // 25% chance of a cell being alive
00047                 grid_[i][j] = (std::rand() % 4 == 0);
00048             }
00049         }
00050     }
```

initNCurses()

```
void GameOfLife::initNCurses ( ) [private]
```

Initialize ncurses settings.

Definition at line 26 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```
00026     {
00027         // Initialize ncurses
00028         initscr();
00029         cbreak();
00030         noecho();
00031         keypad(stdscr, TRUE);
00032         curs_set(0); // Hide cursor
00033         timeout(100); // Set getch() non-blocking with 100ms timeout
00034
00035         // Check if terminal supports colors
00036         if (has_colors()) {
00037             start_color();
00038             init_pair(1, COLOR_BLACK, COLOR_GREEN); // Live cells
00039             init_pair(2, COLOR_BLACK, COLOR_BLACK); // Dead cells
00040         }
00041     }
```

run()

```
void GameOfLife::run ( )
```

Run the game simulation.

Definition at line 79 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```
00079     {
00080         while (running_) {
00081             // Clear screen
00082             clear();
00083
00084             // Draw the current state
00085             draw();
00086
00087             // Display generation count
00088             mvprintw(height_ + 1, 0, "Generation: %d", generation_);
00089             mvprintw(height_ + 2, 0, "Press 'q' to quit, 's' to save image, 'r' to randomize");
00090
00091             // Process input
00092             int ch = getch();
00093             switch (ch) {
00094                 case 'q':
00095                     case 'Q':
00096                         running_ = false;
00097                         break;
00098                 case 's':
00099                     case 'S':
00100                         {
00101                             std::string filename = "gameoflife_" + generateTimestamp() + ".bmp";
00102                             if (saveAsBMP(filename)) {
00103                                 mvprintw(height_ + 3, 0, "Image saved as %s", filename.c_str());
00104                                 refresh();
00105                                 std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(1000));
00106                             } else {
00107                                 mvprintw(height_ + 3, 0, "Failed to save image");
00108                                 refresh();
00109                             }
00110                         }
00111                     }
00112             }
```

```

00109             std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(1000));
00110         }
00111     }
00112     break;
00113     case 'r':
00114     case 'R':
00115         initializeRandom();
00116         generation_ = 0;
00117         break;
00118     }
00119
00120     // Update the game state
00121     update();
00122     generation_++;
00123
00124     // Small delay to control game speed
00125     std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(100));
00126 }
00127 }

```

saveAsBMP()

```

bool GameOfLife::saveAsBMP (
    const std::string & filename )

```

Save the current game state as a BMP image.

Parameters

<i>filename</i>	The name of the file to save to
-----------------	---------------------------------

Returns

true if the save was successful, false otherwise

Definition at line 219 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```

00219 {
00220     std::ofstream file(filename, std::ios::binary);
00221     if (!file) {
00222         return false;
00223     }
00224
00225     // Write BMP header
00226     writeBMPHeader(file, width_, height_);
00227
00228     // Write BMP data
00229     writeBMPData(file);
00230
00231     file.close();
00232     return true;
00233 }

```

update()

```

void GameOfLife::update ( )

```

Update the game state for one generation.

Definition at line 129 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```

00129 {
00130     // Calculate the next generation
00131     for (int i = 0; i < height_; i++) {
00132         for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {
00133             int neighbors = countNeighbors(i, j);
00134
00135             // Apply Conway's Game of Life rules

```



```

00136         if (grid_[i][j]) {
00137             // Cell is alive
00138             if (neighbors < 2 || neighbors > 3) {
00139                 nextGrid_[i][j] = false; // Cell dies
00140             } else {
00141                 nextGrid_[i][j] = true; // Cell survives
00142             }
00143         } else {
00144             // Cell is dead
00145             if (neighbors == 3) {
00146                 nextGrid_[i][j] = true; // Cell becomes alive
00147             } else {
00148                 nextGrid_[i][j] = false; // Cell stays dead
00149             }
00150         }
00151     }
00152 }
00153
00154 // Update the grid with the new generation
00155 grid_ = nextGrid_;
00156 }

```

writeBMPData()

```

void GameOfLife::writeBMPData (
    std::ofstream & file ) [private]

```

Write BMP image data.

Parameters

<i>file</i>	The file to write to
-------------	----------------------

Definition at line 287 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```

00287     {
00288         // Calculate row size and padding
00289         int rowSize = ((width_ * 24 + 31) / 32) * 4;
00290         int paddingSize = rowSize - width_ * 3;
00291         unsigned char padding[3] = {0, 0, 0};
00292
00293         // BMP stores images bottom-up
00294         for (int i = height_ - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
00295             for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {
00296                 unsigned char color[3];
00297
00298                 // Set pixel color (BGR format)
00299                 if (grid_[i][j]) {
00300                     // Live cell - green
00301                     color[0] = 0; // Blue
00302                     color[1] = 255; // Green
00303                     color[2] = 0; // Red
00304                 } else {
00305                     // Dead cell - black
00306                     color[0] = 0; // Blue
00307                     color[1] = 0; // Green
00308                     color[2] = 0; // Red
00309                 }
00310
00311                 // Write pixel data
00312                 file.write(reinterpret_cast<char*>(color), 3);
00313             }
00314
00315             // Write padding
00316             if (paddingSize > 0) {
00317                 file.write(reinterpret_cast<char*>(padding), paddingSize);
00318             }
00319         }
00320     }

```

writeBMPHeader()

```

void GameOfLife::writeBMPHeader (
    std::ofstream & file,

```

```

    int width,
    int height ) [private]

```

Write BMP file header.

Parameters

<i>file</i>	The file to write to
<i>width</i>	The width of the image
<i>height</i>	The height of the image

Definition at line 235 of file [GameOfLife.cpp](#).

```

00235
00236 // Calculate row size and padding
00237 int rowSize = ((width * 24 + 31) / 32) * 4;
00238 int paddingSize = rowSize - width * 3;
00239 int fileSize = 54 + rowSize * height;
00240
00241 // BMP file header (14 bytes)
00242 unsigned char bmpFileHeader[14] = {
00243     'B', 'M', // Signature
00244     0, 0, 0, 0, // File size in bytes
00245     0, 0, 0, 0, // Reserved
00246     54, 0, 0, 0 // Offset to start of pixel data
00247 };
00248
00249 // Update file size in header
00250 bmpFileHeader[2] = (unsigned char)(fileSize);
00251 bmpFileHeader[3] = (unsigned char)(fileSize >> 8);
00252 bmpFileHeader[4] = (unsigned char)(fileSize >> 16);
00253 bmpFileHeader[5] = (unsigned char)(fileSize >> 24);
00254
00255 // BMP info header (40 bytes)
00256 unsigned char bmpInfoHeader[40] = {
00257     40, 0, 0, 0, // Info header size
00258     0, 0, 0, 0, // Width
00259     0, 0, 0, 0, // Height
00260     1, 0, // Number of color planes
00261     24, 0, // Bits per pixel
00262     0, 0, 0, 0, // Compression
00263     0, 0, 0, 0, // Image size
00264     0, 0, 0, 0, // X pixels per meter
00265     0, 0, 0, 0, // Y pixels per meter
00266     0, 0, 0, 0, // Colors in color table
00267     0, 0, 0, 0 // Important color count
00268 };
00269
00270 // Update width in header
00271 bmpInfoHeader[4] = (unsigned char)(width);
00272 bmpInfoHeader[5] = (unsigned char)(width >> 8);
00273 bmpInfoHeader[6] = (unsigned char)(width >> 16);
00274 bmpInfoHeader[7] = (unsigned char)(width >> 24);
00275
00276 // Update height in header
00277 bmpInfoHeader[8] = (unsigned char)(height);
00278 bmpInfoHeader[9] = (unsigned char)(height >> 8);
00279 bmpInfoHeader[10] = (unsigned char)(height >> 16);
00280 bmpInfoHeader[11] = (unsigned char)(height >> 24);
00281
00282 // Write headers
00283 file.write(reinterpret_cast<char*>(bmpFileHeader), 14);
00284 file.write(reinterpret_cast<char*>(bmpInfoHeader), 40);
00285 }

```

1.1.4 Member Data Documentation

generation_

```
int GameOfLife::generation_ [private]
```

Current generation count.

Definition at line 112 of file [GameOfLife.h](#).

grid_

```
std::vector<std::vector<bool> > GameOfLife::grid_ [private]
```

Current state of the game grid.

Definition at line 109 of file [GameOfLife.h](#).

height_

```
int GameOfLife::height_ [private]
```

Height of the game grid.

Definition at line 107 of file [GameOfLife.h](#).

nextGrid_

```
std::vector<std::vector<bool> > GameOfLife::nextGrid_ [private]
```

Next state of the game grid.

Definition at line 110 of file [GameOfLife.h](#).

running_

```
bool GameOfLife::running_ [private]
```

Flag indicating if the game is running.

Definition at line 111 of file [GameOfLife.h](#).

width_

```
int GameOfLife::width_ [private]
```

Width of the game grid.

Definition at line 108 of file [GameOfLife.h](#).

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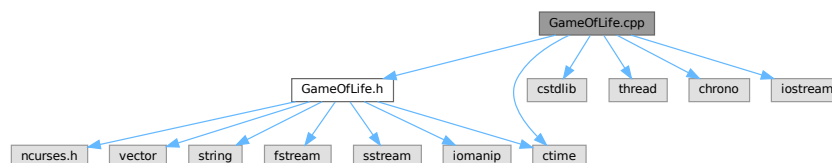
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- [GameOfLife.cpp](#)

2 File Documentation

2.1 GameOfLife.cpp File Reference

```
#include "GameOfLife.h"
#include <cstdlib>
#include <ctime>
#include <thread>
#include <chrono>
#include <iostream>
```

Include dependency graph for GameOfLife.cpp:



2.2 GameOfLife.cpp

[Go to the documentation of this file.](#)

```

00001 #include "GameOfLife.h"
00002 #include <cstdlib>
00003 #include <ctime>
00004 #include <thread>
00005 #include <chrono>
00006 #include <iostream>
00007
00008 GameOfLife::GameOfLife(int height, int width)
00009     : height_(height), width_(width), running_(true), generation_(0) {
00010     // Initialize grid with all cells dead
00011     grid_.resize(height_, std::vector<bool>(width_, false));
00012     nextGrid_.resize(height_, std::vector<bool>(width_, false));
00013
00014     // Initialize ncurses
00015     initNCurses();
00016
00017     // Seed random number generator
00018     std::srand(std::time(nullptr));
00019 }
00020
00021 GameOfLife::~GameOfLife() {
00022     // End ncurses mode
00023     endwin();
00024 }
00025
00026 void GameOfLife::initNCurses() {
00027     // Initialize ncurses
00028     initscr();
00029     cbreak();
00030     noecho();
00031     keypad(stdscr, TRUE);
00032     curs_set(0); // Hide cursor
00033     timeout(100); // Set getch() non-blocking with 100ms timeout
00034
00035     // Check if terminal supports colors
00036     if (has_colors()) {
00037         start_color();
00038         init_pair(1, COLOR_BLACK, COLOR_GREEN); // Live cells
00039         init_pair(2, COLOR_BLACK, COLOR_BLACK); // Dead cells
00040     }
00041 }
00042
00043 void GameOfLife::initializeRandom() {
00044     for (int i = 0; i < height_; i++) {
00045         for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {

```

```

00046         // 25% chance of a cell being alive
00047         grid_[i][j] = (std::rand() % 4 == 0);
00048     }
00049 }
00050 }
00051
00052 void GameOfLife::initializePattern(const std::vector<std::vector<bool>& pattern) {
00053     int patternHeight = pattern.size();
00054     int patternWidth = pattern[0].size();
00055
00056     // Calculate starting position to center the pattern
00057     int startRow = (height_ - patternHeight) / 2;
00058     int startCol = (width_ - patternWidth) / 2;
00059
00060     // Clear the grid first
00061     for (int i = 0; i < height_; i++) {
00062         for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {
00063             grid_[i][j] = false;
00064         }
00065     }
00066
00067     // Place the pattern in the center
00068     for (int i = 0; i < patternHeight; i++) {
00069         for (int j = 0; j < patternWidth; j++) {
00070             int row = startRow + i;
00071             int col = startCol + j;
00072             if (row >= 0 && row < height_ && col >= 0 && col < width_) {
00073                 grid_[row][col] = pattern[i][j];
00074             }
00075         }
00076     }
00077 }
00078
00079 void GameOfLife::run() {
00080     while (running_) {
00081         // Clear screen
00082         clear();
00083
00084         // Draw the current state
00085         draw();
00086
00087         // Display generation count
00088         mvprintw(height_ + 1, 0, "Generation: %d", generation_);
00089         mvprintw(height_ + 2, 0, "Press 'q' to quit, 's' to save image, 'r' to randomize");
00090
00091         // Process input
00092         int ch = getch();
00093         switch (ch) {
00094             case 'q':
00095             case 'Q':
00096                 running_ = false;
00097                 break;
00098             case 's':
00099             case 'S':
00100                 {
00101                     std::string filename = "gameoflife_" + generateTimestamp() + ".bmp";
00102                     if (saveAsBMP(filename)) {
00103                         mvprintw(height_ + 3, 0, "Image saved as %s", filename.c_str());
00104                         refresh();
00105                         std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(1000));
00106                     } else {
00107                         mvprintw(height_ + 3, 0, "Failed to save image");
00108                         refresh();
00109                         std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(1000));
00110                     }
00111                 }
00112                 break;
00113             case 'r':
00114             case 'R':
00115                 initializeRandom();
00116                 generation_ = 0;
00117                 break;
00118         }
00119
00120         // Update the game state
00121         update();
00122         generation_++;
00123
00124         // Small delay to control game speed
00125         std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(100));
00126     }
00127 }
00128
00129 void GameOfLife::update() {
00130     // Calculate the next generation
00131     for (int i = 0; i < height_; i++) {
00132         for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {

```

```

00133         int neighbors = countNeighbors(i, j);
00134
00135         // Apply Conway's Game of Life rules
00136         if (grid_[i][j]) {
00137             // Cell is alive
00138             if (neighbors < 2 || neighbors > 3) {
00139                 nextGrid_[i][j] = false; // Cell dies
00140             } else {
00141                 nextGrid_[i][j] = true; // Cell survives
00142             }
00143         } else {
00144             // Cell is dead
00145             if (neighbors == 3) {
00146                 nextGrid_[i][j] = true; // Cell becomes alive
00147             } else {
00148                 nextGrid_[i][j] = false; // Cell stays dead
00149             }
00150         }
00151     }
00152 }
00153
00154 // Update the grid with the new generation
00155 grid_ = nextGrid_;
00156 }
00157
00158 int GameOfLife::countNeighbors(int row, int col) {
00159     int count = 0;
00160
00161     // Check all 8 neighboring cells
00162     for (int i = -1; i <= 1; i++) {
00163         for (int j = -1; j <= 1; j++) {
00164             // Skip the cell itself
00165             if (i == 0 && j == 0) continue;
00166
00167             // Calculate neighbor coordinates with wrapping
00168             int neighborRow = (row + i + height_) % height_;
00169             int neighborCol = (col + j + width_) % width_;
00170
00171             // Count live neighbors
00172             if (grid_[neighborRow][neighborCol]) {
00173                 count++;
00174             }
00175         }
00176     }
00177
00178     return count;
00179 }
00180
00181 void GameOfLife::draw() {
00182     for (int i = 0; i < height_; i++) {
00183         for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {
00184             if (grid_[i][j]) {
00185                 // Cell is alive
00186                 if (has_colors()) {
00187                     attron(COLOR_PAIR(1));
00188                     mvaddch(i, j, ' ');
00189                     attroff(COLOR_PAIR(1));
00190                 } else {
00191                     mvaddch(i, j, '#');
00192                 }
00193             } else {
00194                 // Cell is dead
00195                 if (has_colors()) {
00196                     attron(COLOR_PAIR(2));
00197                     mvaddch(i, j, ' ');
00198                     attroff(COLOR_PAIR(2));
00199                 } else {
00200                     mvaddch(i, j, '.');
00201                 }
00202             }
00203         }
00204     }
00205
00206     // Update the screen
00207     refresh();
00208 }
00209
00210 std::string GameOfLife::generateTimestamp() {
00211     auto now = std::time(nullptr);
00212     auto tm = *std::localtime(&now);
00213
00214     std::ostringstream oss;
00215     oss << std::put_time(&tm, "%Y%m%d_%H%M%S");
00216     return oss.str();
00217 }
00218
00219 bool GameOfLife::saveAsBMP(const std::string& filename) {

```

```

00220     std::ofstream file(filename, std::ios::binary);
00221     if (!file) {
00222         return false;
00223     }
00224
00225     // Write BMP header
00226     writeBMPHeader(file, width_, height_);
00227
00228     // Write BMP data
00229     writeBMPData(file);
00230
00231     file.close();
00232     return true;
00233 }
00234
00235 void GameOfLife::writeBMPHeader(std::ofstream& file, int width, int height) {
00236     // Calculate row size and padding
00237     int rowSize = ((width * 24 + 31) / 32) * 4;
00238     int paddingSize = rowSize - width * 3;
00239     int fileSize = 54 + rowSize * height;
00240
00241     // BMP file header (14 bytes)
00242     unsigned char bmpFileHeader[14] = {
00243         'B', 'M', // Signature
00244         0, 0, 0, 0, // File size in bytes
00245         0, 0, 0, 0, // Reserved
00246         54, 0, 0, 0 // Offset to start of pixel data
00247     };
00248
00249     // Update file size in header
00250     bmpFileHeader[2] = (unsigned char)(fileSize);
00251     bmpFileHeader[3] = (unsigned char)(fileSize >> 8);
00252     bmpFileHeader[4] = (unsigned char)(fileSize >> 16);
00253     bmpFileHeader[5] = (unsigned char)(fileSize >> 24);
00254
00255     // BMP info header (40 bytes)
00256     unsigned char bmpInfoHeader[40] = {
00257         40, 0, 0, 0, // Info header size
00258         0, 0, 0, 0, // Width
00259         0, 0, 0, 0, // Height
00260         1, 0, // Number of color planes
00261         24, 0, // Bits per pixel
00262         0, 0, 0, 0, // Compression
00263         0, 0, 0, 0, // Image size
00264         0, 0, 0, 0, // X pixels per meter
00265         0, 0, 0, 0, // Y pixels per meter
00266         0, 0, 0, 0, // Colors in color table
00267         0, 0, 0, 0 // Important color count
00268     };
00269
00270     // Update width in header
00271     bmpInfoHeader[4] = (unsigned char)(width);
00272     bmpInfoHeader[5] = (unsigned char)(width >> 8);
00273     bmpInfoHeader[6] = (unsigned char)(width >> 16);
00274     bmpInfoHeader[7] = (unsigned char)(width >> 24);
00275
00276     // Update height in header
00277     bmpInfoHeader[8] = (unsigned char)(height);
00278     bmpInfoHeader[9] = (unsigned char)(height >> 8);
00279     bmpInfoHeader[10] = (unsigned char)(height >> 16);
00280     bmpInfoHeader[11] = (unsigned char)(height >> 24);
00281
00282     // Write headers
00283     file.write(reinterpret_cast<char*>(bmpFileHeader), 14);
00284     file.write(reinterpret_cast<char*>(bmpInfoHeader), 40);
00285 }
00286
00287 void GameOfLife::writeBMPData(std::ofstream& file) {
00288     // Calculate row size and padding
00289     int rowSize = ((width_ * 24 + 31) / 32) * 4;
00290     int paddingSize = rowSize - width_ * 3;
00291     unsigned char padding[3] = {0, 0, 0};
00292
00293     // BMP stores images bottom-up
00294     for (int i = height_ - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
00295         for (int j = 0; j < width_; j++) {
00296             unsigned char color[3];
00297
00298             // Set pixel color (BGR format)
00299             if (grid_[i][j]) {
00300                 // Live cell - green
00301                 color[0] = 0; // Blue
00302                 color[1] = 255; // Green
00303                 color[2] = 0; // Red
00304             } else {
00305                 // Dead cell - black
00306                 color[0] = 0; // Blue

```

```

00307         color[1] = 0;    // Green
00308         color[2] = 0;    // Red
00309     }
00310
00311     // Write pixel data
00312     file.write(reinterpret_cast<char*>(color), 3);
00313 }
00314
00315 // Write padding
00316 if (paddingSize > 0) {
00317     file.write(reinterpret_cast<char*>(padding), paddingSize);
00318 }
00319 }
00320 }

```

2.3 GameOfLife.h File Reference

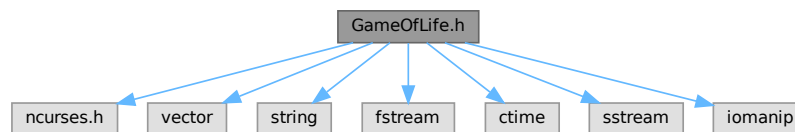
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```

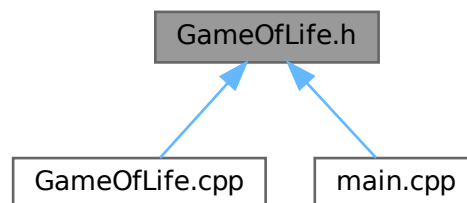
#include <ncurses.h>
#include <vector>
#include <string>
#include <fstream>
#include <ctime>
#include <sstream>
#include <iomanip>

```

Include dependency graph for GameOfLife.h:



This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



Classes

- class [GameOfLife](#)
Class implementing Conway's Game of Life simulation.

2.3.1 Detailed Description

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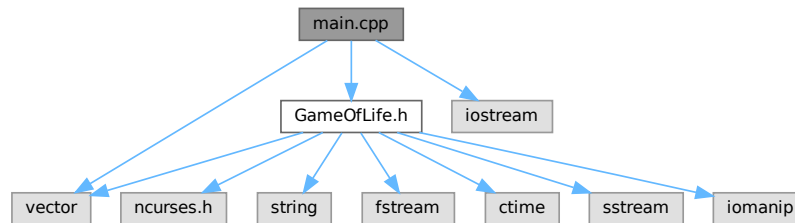
```
00001
00008 #ifndef GAME_OF_LIFE_H
00009 #define GAME_OF_LIFE_H
00010
00011 #include <ncurses.h>
00012 #include <vector>
00013 #include <string>
00014 #include <fstream>
00015 #include <ctime>
00016 #include <sstream>
00017 #include <iomanip>
00018
00026 class GameOfLife {
00027 public:
00033     GameOfLife(int height, int width);
00034
00038     ~GameOfLife();
00039
00043     void initializeRandom();
00044
00049     void initializePattern(const std::vector<std::vector<bool>>& pattern);
00050
00054     void run();
00055
00059     void update();
00060
00064     void draw();
00065
00071     bool saveAsBMP(const std::string& filename);
00072
00073 private:
00077     void initNCurses();
00078
00085     int countNeighbors(int row, int col);
00086
00091     std::string generateTimestamp();
00092
00099     void writeBMPHeader(std::ofstream& file, int width, int height);
00100
00105     void writeBMPData(std::ofstream& file);
00106
00107     int height_;
00108     int width_;
00109     std::vector<std::vector<bool>> grid_;
00110     std::vector<std::vector<bool>> nextGrid_;
00111     bool running_;
00112     int generation_;
00113 };
00114
00115 #endif // GAME_OF_LIFE_H
00116
```

2.5 main.cpp File Reference

Main entry point for Conway's Game of Life.

```
#include "GameOfLife.h"  
#include <iostream>  
#include <vector>
```

Include dependency graph for main.cpp:



Functions

- `std::vector< std::vector< bool > > createGlider ()`
Create a glider pattern.
- `std::vector< std::vector< bool > > createBlinker ()`
Create a blinker pattern.
- `std::vector< std::vector< bool > > createGosperGliderGun ()`
Create a Gosper glider gun pattern.
- `int displayMenu ()`
Display menu and get user choice.
- `int main ()`
Main function.

2.5.1 Detailed Description

Main entry point for Conway's Game of Life.

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Definition in file [main.cpp](#).

2.5.2 Function Documentation

createBlinker()

```
std::vector< std::vector< bool > > createBlinker ( )
```

Create a blinker pattern.

Returns

A vector representing a blinker pattern

Definition at line 29 of file [main.cpp](#).

```
00029      {
00030          std::vector<std::vector<bool> pattern = {
00031              {false, false, false},
00032              {true, true, true},
00033              {false, false, false}
00034          };
00035          return pattern;
00036      }
```

createGlider()

```
std::vector< std::vector< bool > > createGlider ( )
```

Create a glider pattern.

Returns

A vector representing a glider pattern

Definition at line 16 of file [main.cpp](#).

```
00016      {
00017          std::vector<std::vector<bool> pattern = {
00018              {false, true, false},
00019              {false, false, true},
00020              {true, true, true}
00021          };
00022          return pattern;
00023      }
```

createGosperGliderGun()

```
std::vector< std::vector< bool > > createGosperGliderGun ( )
```

Create a Gosper glider gun pattern.

Returns

A vector representing a Gosper glider gun pattern

Definition at line 42 of file [main.cpp](#).

```

00042     {
00043         std::vector<std::vector<bool>> pattern(11, std::vector<bool>(38, false));
00044
00045         // Left block
00046         pattern[5][1] = true;
00047         pattern[6][1] = true;
00048         pattern[5][2] = true;
00049         pattern[6][2] = true;
00050
00051         // Right block
00052         pattern[3][35] = true;
00053         pattern[4][35] = true;
00054         pattern[3][36] = true;
00055         pattern[4][36] = true;
00056
00057         // Left ship
00058         pattern[3][13] = true;
00059         pattern[3][14] = true;
00060         pattern[4][12] = true;
00061         pattern[4][16] = true;
00062         pattern[5][11] = true;
00063         pattern[5][17] = true;
00064         pattern[6][11] = true;
00065         pattern[6][15] = true;
00066         pattern[6][17] = true;
00067         pattern[6][18] = true;
00068         pattern[7][11] = true;
00069         pattern[7][17] = true;
00070         pattern[8][12] = true;
00071         pattern[8][16] = true;
00072         pattern[9][13] = true;
00073         pattern[9][14] = true;
00074
00075         // Right ship
00076         pattern[1][25] = true;
00077         pattern[2][23] = true;
00078         pattern[2][25] = true;
00079         pattern[3][21] = true;
00080         pattern[3][22] = true;
00081         pattern[4][21] = true;
00082         pattern[4][22] = true;
00083         pattern[5][21] = true;
00084         pattern[5][22] = true;
00085         pattern[6][23] = true;
00086         pattern[6][25] = true;
00087         pattern[7][25] = true;
00088
00089         return pattern;
00090     }

```

displayMenu()

```
int displayMenu ( )
```

Display menu and get user choice.

Returns

User's menu choice

Definition at line 96 of file [main.cpp](#).

```

00096     {
00097         std::cout << "Conway's Game of Life\n";
00098         std::cout << "=====\n";
00099         std::cout << "1. Random pattern\n";
00100         std::cout << "2. Glider pattern\n";
00101         std::cout << "3. Blinker pattern\n";
00102         std::cout << "4. Gosper glider gun pattern\n";
00103         std::cout << "0. Exit\n";
00104         std::cout << "Enter your choice: ";
00105
00106         int choice;
00107         std::cin >> choice;
00108         return choice;
00109     }

```

main()

```
int main ( )
```

Main function.

Returns

Exit status

Definition at line 115 of file [main.cpp](#).

```
00115     {
00116         int choice = displayMenu();
00117
00118         if (choice == 0) {
00119             return 0;
00120         }
00121
00122         // Create game with appropriate size
00123         int height = 30;
00124         int width = 80;
00125         GameOfLife game(height, width);
00126
00127         // Initialize based on user choice
00128         switch (choice) {
00129             case 1:
00130                 game.initializeRandom();
00131                 break;
00132             case 2:
00133                 game.initializePattern(createGlider());
00134                 break;
00135             case 3:
00136                 game.initializePattern(createBlinker());
00137                 break;
00138             case 4:
00139                 game.initializePattern(createGosperGliderGun());
00140                 break;
00141             default:
00142                 game.initializeRandom();
00143                 break;
00144         }
00145
00146         // Run the game
00147         game.run();
00148
00149         return 0;
00150     }
```

2.6 main.cpp

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```
00001
00008     #include "GameOfLife.h"
00009     #include <iostream>
00010     #include <vector>
00011
00016     std::vector<std::vector<bool> > createGlider() {
00017         std::vector<std::vector<bool> > pattern = {
00018             {false, true, false},
00019             {false, false, true},
00020             {true, true, true}
00021         };
00022         return pattern;
00023     }
00024
00029     std::vector<std::vector<bool> > createBlinker() {
00030         std::vector<std::vector<bool> > pattern = {
00031             {false, false, false},
00032             {true, true, true},
00033             {false, false, false}
00034         };
00035         return pattern;
00036     }
00037
00042     std::vector<std::vector<bool> > createGosperGliderGun() {
00043         std::vector<std::vector<bool> > pattern(11, std::vector<bool>(38, false));
```

```

00044
00045 // Left block
00046 pattern[5][1] = true;
00047 pattern[6][1] = true;
00048 pattern[5][2] = true;
00049 pattern[6][2] = true;
00050
00051 // Right block
00052 pattern[3][35] = true;
00053 pattern[4][35] = true;
00054 pattern[3][36] = true;
00055 pattern[4][36] = true;
00056
00057 // Left ship
00058 pattern[3][13] = true;
00059 pattern[3][14] = true;
00060 pattern[4][12] = true;
00061 pattern[4][16] = true;
00062 pattern[5][11] = true;
00063 pattern[5][17] = true;
00064 pattern[6][11] = true;
00065 pattern[6][15] = true;
00066 pattern[6][17] = true;
00067 pattern[6][18] = true;
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00084 pattern[5][22] = true;
00085 pattern[6][23] = true;
00086 pattern[6][25] = true;
00087 pattern[7][25] = true;
00088
00089 return pattern;
00090 }
00091
00096 int displayMenu() {
00097     std::cout << "Conway's Game of Life\n";
00098     std::cout << "=====\n";
00099     std::cout << "1. Random pattern\n";
00100     std::cout << "2. Glider pattern\n";
00101     std::cout << "3. Blinker pattern\n";
00102     std::cout << "4. Gosper glider gun pattern\n";
00103     std::cout << "0. Exit\n";
00104     std::cout << "Enter your choice: ";
00105
00106     int choice;
00107     std::cin >> choice;
00108     return choice;
00109 }
00110
00115 int main() {
00116     int choice = displayMenu();
00117
00118     if (choice == 0) {
00119         return 0;
00120     }
00121
00122     // Create game with appropriate size
00123     int height = 30;
00124     int width = 80;
00125     GameOfLife game(height, width);
00126
00127     // Initialize based on user choice
00128     switch (choice) {
00129         case 1:
00130             game.initializeRandom();
00131             break;
00132         case 2:
00133             game.initializePattern(createGlider());
00134             break;
00135         case 3:
00136             game.initializePattern(createBlinker());
00137             break;
00138         case 4:

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```
00139         game.initializePattern(createGosperGliderGun());
00140         break;
00141     default:
00142         game.initializeRandom();
00143         break;
00144     }
00145
00146     // Run the game
00147     game.run();
00148
00149     return 0;
00150 }
00151
```

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