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# Building a Tic Tac Toe Agent



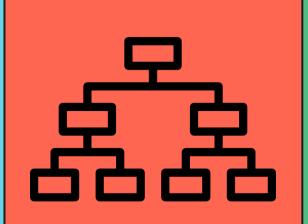
### Minimax with Alpha-Beta Pruning





#### **Minimax**

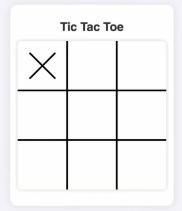
- Simulates all possible moves to find the optimal strategy
- The minimizing player tries to block, and the maximizing player tries to win
- Assumes that both players play perfectly



#### **Alpha-Beta Pruning**

- Makes minimax faster without changing the result
- Uses beta (best for min) and alpha (best for max) to prune
- Skips branches that will not affect the final decision

#### Demo



#### **Takeaways**

- AI always wins or ties
- AI wins if the human does not play the middle square

## Overview

- Never Loses (Plays First)
- Fast DecisionMaking

- Reusable Framework

