

Programming practice II

Arrays and strings

Question 2. Tic-tac-toe:

Background: Tic-tac-toe, also known as "noughts and crosses", is the game known in Japanese as 三目並べ. In this game, two players take turns in marking a 3×3 **grid** with X (1st player) and O (2nd player). The game starts with an empty grid, and ends, either when a player manages to **line up** their mark in three successive **cells**, **horizontally**, **vertically** or **diagonally**; or when the grid is full and no player can win (draw game).

Problem: Write a program that lets two players play a game of Tic-tac-toe.

Hints:

- Use a **2-dimensional** array to represent the grid.
- Use a variable to represent whose turn it is to play.
- In each turn, alternate between player 1 and player 2.
- In each turn, let the player enter the **coordinates** (row and column)
- Make sure the corresponding cell is empty!
- In each turn, check if there is a winner.
- When the game is over, display the final grid, and the winner (or whether it is a draw).

Example:

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$ ./prog2-2
  1    2    3
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1 |   |   |   |
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2 |   |   |   |
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3 |   |   |   |
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Player 1, enter row and column: 2 2

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  1    2    3
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1 |   |   |   |
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2 |   | x |   |
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3 |   |   |   |
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Player 1, enter row and column: 3 2

	1	2	3
1	o x x		
2	x o		
3	o x		

Player 1 wins.

Vocabulary:

grid /grɪd/ 格子

cell (on a grid) /sɛl/ マス

line up /'laɪn ʌp/ 並べる

2-dimensional /tu dɪ'mɛnʃənəl/, /daɪ-/ 2次元

horizontal /,hɔrə'zɒntəl, ,hɔr-/ 横

vertical /'vɜ:tɪkəl/ 縦

diagonal /daɪ'æɡənəl/ 斜め

coordinate /kəʊ'ɔ:drɪneɪt/ 座標

row /rəʊ/ 行

column /'kɒləm/ 列