

Project 9: XO Game

Concept / Idea:

Our app is a simple two-player XO game implemented in Jack. Players take turns marking 'X' or 'O' on a 3x3 grid by pressing keys 1-9. The game detects winning conditions and announces the winner or a tie when the board is full.

Motivation:

We chose to create an XO game because it's a classic game that reminds us of our childhood, and we thought it would be fun to play a childhood game on a computer we built.

Google Drive Link to Video

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Architecture:

- **XO.jack**: This class handles the game logic, including the board state, player turns, and win/tie conditions.

Fields:

1. Array squares:

- Represents the 3x3 game board. Values: 0 (empty), 1 ('O'), 2 ('X').

2. boolean playerO:

- Tracks the current player: true for 'O', false for 'X'.

Key Methods:

1. constructor XO new():

- Initializes the game: creates the squares array, draws the board, and displays instructions.

2. method void selection():

- Handles player input (keys 1-9) and validates moves.
Calls nextTurn() to update the board and switch players.

3. method void nextTurn(int location, int x, int y, boolean playerO):

- Places 'O' or 'X' on the board based on the current player.
Calls drawO() or drawX() to render the move.

4. method void drawBoard():

- Draws the 3x3 grid using Screen.drawLine().

5. method void startingText():

- Displays game instructions and the initial board layout.

6. method boolean isFull():

- Checks if the board is full (no empty squares).

7. Drawing Methods:

- drawO(int x, int y): Draws an 'O' at the specified coordinates using Screen.drawCircle().
- drawX(int x, int y): Draws an 'X' at the specified coordinates using Screen.drawLine().

8. method boolean equalTriplet(int x, int y, int z):

- Checks if three values form a winning line. Announces the winner if a winning condition is met.

9. method boolean win():

- Checks all possible winning conditions (rows, columns, diagonals). Returns true if a player wins.

How It Works:

- The game starts by initializing the board and displaying instructions.
- Players take turns pressing keys (1-9) to place 'X' or 'O' on the board.
- After each move, the game checks for a win or tie using win() and isFull().
- If a winning condition is met, the game announces the winner. If the board is full, it declares a tie.

- **Main.jack:** This class initializes the game and runs the main loop until a win or tie is detected.