System Programming Course Project Documentation: Tic Tac Toe Game

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GitHub Project

Introduction

The **Tic Tac Toe Game** is a simple console-based game developed in C++ that allows two players to play the classic 3x3 grid-based game. The program provides a turn-based gameplay experience with features like checking for wins, draws, and replaying the game. This project demonstrates the use of object-oriented programming concepts, including classes, encapsulation, and member functions.

Features

- 1. **Two-player gameplay:** Players X and O take turns making moves.
- 2. **Custom player names:** Players can enter their names at the start of the game.
- 3. **Dynamic board display:** The board updates after every valid move.
- 4. **Win and draw detection:** The game checks for winning conditions or a draw after every move.
- 5. **Replay option:** Players can choose to play again after a game ends.
- 6. **Input validation:** Ensures proper move inputs and prevents overwriting cells.

Requirements

- Programming Language: C++
- **Compiler:** Any standard C++ compiler supporting C++11 or later.
 - o Examples: GCC, Clang, or MSVC.
- **Development Environment:** Optional (Visual Studio, CLion, Code::Blocks, etc.)

Libraries Used

This project uses standard libraries from the C++ Standard Library:

- 1. <iostream>
 - o For input and output operations.
 - o Example: cin and cout.
- 2. <vector>
 - For representing the 3x3 Tic Tac Toe board as a 2D grid.
- 3. <string>
 - For storing and manipulating player names.

Example:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
class TicTacToe {
    vector<vector<char>>> board;
    char currentPlayer;
    string playerXName;
    string playerOName;
```

Class Overview

Class: TicTacToe (additional 1)

Encapsulates the game logic and data, ensuring a modular design.

Attributes:

- vector<vector<char>> board: 2D vector representing the game board.
- char currentPlayer: Keeps track of the current player (X or O).
- string playerXName: Name of Player X.
- string playerOName: Name of Player O.

Methods:

• **TicTacToe()**: Constructor that initializes the board and sets the current player. (*additional 2*)

```
TicTacToe() : board(3, vector<char>(3, ' ')), currentPlayer('X') {}
```

additional 2

• **void initializeGame()**: Resets the board and gets player names. *(additional 3)*

```
void initializeGame() {
    for (auto& row : board)
        fill(row.begin(), row.end(), ' ');
    cout << "Enter name for Player X: ";
    cin >> playerXName;
    cout << "Enter name for Player O: ";
    cin >> playerOName;
    currentPlayer = 'X
```

• void displayBoard(): Displays the current state of the board.

```
void displayBoard() {
    cout << "\nCurrent Board:\n";
    for (int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
        for (int j = 0; j < 3; ++j) {
            cout << " " << board[i][j] << " ";
            if (j < 2) cout << "|";
        }
        cout << endl;
        if (i < 2) cout << "---+---\n";
    }
}</pre>
```

additional 4

• **bool makeMove(int row, int col)**: Marks the board with the current player's symbol if the move is valid. *(additional 5)*

```
bool makeMove(int row, int col) {
    if (row < 0 || row >= 3 || col < 0 || col >= 3 ||
board[row][col] != ' ') {
      cout << "Invalid move. Try again.\n";
      return false; }
    board[row][col] = currentPlayer;
    return true; }</pre>
```

additional 5

• bool checkWin(): Checks if the current player has won. (additional 6)

additional 6

• **bool checkDraw()**: Checks if the game is a draw. (additional 7)

```
bool checkDraw() {
    for (const auto& row : board) {
        for (char cell : row) {
            if (cell == ' ') return false;
        }
    }
    return true; }
```

• void switchPlayer(): Switches the turn to the other player. (additional 8)

```
void switchPlayer() {
    currentPlayer == 'X') ? 'O' : 'X';
}
```

additional 8

• **char getCurrentPlayerSymbol()**: Returns the current player's symbol. (*additional 9*)

```
char getCurrentPlayerSymbol() const {
    return currentPlayer;
}
```

additional 9

• **string getCurrentPlayerName()**: Returns the current player's name. (additional 10)

```
string getCurrentPlayerName() const {
    return (currentPlayer == 'X') ? playerXName : playerOName;
}
```

additional 10

Game Flow

1. Initialization:

- The playGame() function starts the game loop.
- Players are prompted to enter their names.
- The board is displayed.

2. Gameplay Loop:

- Each player takes turns making a move.
- o Input is validated to ensure correctness.
- o After a move:
 - The board updates.
 - The program checks for a win or draw.
 - If neither occurs, the turn switches to the other player.

3. Game End:

- o If a win or draw is detected, the result is displayed.
- Players are given the option to replay.

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Conclusion

This project provides a hands-on implementation of fundamental programming concepts in C++. It is a fun and interactive way to practice OOP, input validation, and basic game logic while setting the stage for more complex game development projects.