solution

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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tic-tac-toe#Combinatorics

When considering only the state of the board, and after taking into account board symmetries (i.e. rotations and reflections), there are only 138 terminal board positions.

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In [5]: desks_set_first = set()
        for perm in tqdm(list(itertools.permutations(range(9)))):
            desk = np.array([[5, 5, 5], [5, 5, 5], [5, 5, 5]])
            for n, step in enumerate(perm):
                player, i, j = (n \% 2, *get_i_j(step))
                desk[i][j] = player
                if check_winning_condition(desk, player, i, j) or n == 8:
                    add_desk(desk, desks_set_first)
                    break
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In [6]: len(desks_set_first)
Out[6]: 138
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In [7]: desks_set_second = set()
        for perm in tqdm(list(itertools.permutations(range(9)))):
            desk = np.array([[5, 5, 5], [5, 5, 5], [5, 5, 5]])
            for n, step in enumerate(perm):
                player, i, j = (n % 2, *get_i_j(step))
                desk[i][j] = player
                add_desk(desk, desks_set_second)
                if check_winning_condition(desk, player, i, j):
                    break
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In [8]: len(desks_set_second)
Out[8]: 764
In [9]: desks_set_first.issubset(desks_set_second)
Out[9]: True
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