Software Requirements Specification (SRS) Tic Tac Math

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1 Introduction

This Software Requirements Specification (SRS) document provides a detailed description of the requirements for Tic-Tac-Math. The purpose of this document is to present a comprehensive outline of the functional and non-functional requirements, intended to guide the development team and stakeholders throughout the development process of the software application.

1.1Purpose

The purpose of this document is to describe the software system that is being developed. Here, we aim to clearly define all the functional and non-functional requirements for Tic-Tac-Math. It stands as both a list of requirements and a guideline for development for all parties involved in the development of Tic-Tac-Math.

1.2Scope

Tic-Tac-Math is an educational math-based tic-tac-toe game designed specifically for students at a 4th grade math level. The game is 2 player and the player must answer a math problem correctly to claim a space. All problems are randomly generated and will focus on multiplication. The main benefits of the game include reinforcing classroom learning, enhancing students' problem-solving skills, and making learning a fun and interactive experience. This project aims to give teachers a fun option to utilize and give their students an engaging tool for students to learn their multiplication tables more fluently.

1.3Definitions, acronyms, and abbreviations

- GUI: Graphical User Interface
- NIC: Network Interface Controller
- UI: User Interface
- HTML: HyperText Markup Language
- CSS: Cascade Style Sheet
- DNS: Domain Name System
- HTTP: HyperText Transfer Protocol
- TLS: Transport Layer Security
- TCP/IP: Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
- Actor: entities that interact with the system
- Use Case: represents the goals that an actor might want
- Composition: when an object "is made of" another object

1.4Organization

Section 1: This section's purpose is to provide an Introduction to Tic-Tac-Math as well as to provide an overview of this document.

Section 2: Details the overall description of the project by detailing the functionality of Tic-Tac-Math. Its purpose is to describe in detail how the game will look and behave.

Section 3: This section focuses on specific requirements for the game and provides a list of all the game needs.

Section 4: Various models and diagrams that represent the game's structure and behavior are shown here, such as use case diagrams, sequence diagrams, and class diagrams.

Section 5: Prototypes and information about them including sample scenarios.

Section 6: References to sources used for the game and surrounding system

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2 Overall Description

The information in this section of the document will provide a general description of the software. It will provide a Product Perspective, which puts the product in relation to other related products or projects. It then goes over Product Functions, which summarizes the primary functions of Tic Tac Math. Subsequently, this section discusses User Characteristics, which describes the characteristics of the eventual user of the product that will affect the specific requirements. Additionally, General Constraints will be specified, which includes general descriptions of any other item that will limit our options for designing the game. The last two aspects of this section include Assumptions and Dependencies as well as Apportioning of Requirements. Assumptions and Dependencies goes into detail regarding each factor that affects the requirements that are stated in this document. Finally, Apportioning of Requirements provides information on possible features that will be released in future versions of the software.

2.1 Product Perspective

Tic Tac Math is a website where two students can battle against each other in tic-tac-toe. However, they have to answer a math problem correctly in order for their symbol to be placed on the board. The students can play the game anywhere they can get access to a computer with an internet connection. Tic Tac Math provides a fun way for students to practice their math skills and be competitive with one another. Although it is a way for students to practice their math, it is not a formal way for instructors to test students on their skills.

The system's GUI, in the form of a website, should adhere to industry standards so that the UI will look and behave the same across multiple platforms and browsers. The system requires the underlying host hardware to have the ability to connect to the Internet through a NIC. The system also requires the host in which it is used to have access to a keyboard and mouse. These may be integrated like those of a laptop, or externally connected via bluetooth or a cable. Additionally, the system requires the host machine to have a graphical display in order to display the game to the user. In regards to software constraints, the system requires that the host machine be running an operating system with a desktop environment installed. Within this operating system, it is required that an internet browser be installed. The internet browser must be able to render HTML and CSS while also running JavaScript code in the background. Finally, the system must also take advantage of protocols such as DNS, HTTP, TLS, and TCP/IP in order to interface with the Internet.

2.2Product Functions

Note: the major functions listed below that the software will perform will come directly from the customer specification.

The initial major function the software will have is to present the users with a landing page when they first navigate to the website. This will provide the users with a description of Tic Tac Math and a way to start a new game.

Once the user starts a new game, the software displays the tic-tac-toe board to the users. This is the board the two players will be interacting with when they play against one another. Above the game board the software will display which player, X or O, will make the next move. Tic Tac Math will allow the player who's up next to select an open square on the board. Once the open square is selected, the software will generate a random math problem who's multiplicand and multiplier are randomly generated numbers between zero and ten. The software will provide an input box for the player to submit their answer to the question. If the user's provided answer is correct, the software will place the respective symbol on the board and the next player can make their move. However, if the player submitted the wrong answer, the software will generate new math problems until a correct answer is given. After every move, the game will determine if there is a winner or a tie. When the game is over, the software will provide the users the chance to reset the board and have a rematch or go back to the landing page.

2.3User Characteristics

Given that Tic Tac Math is a website, it is expected that the users of the software understand how to navigate the internet and interact with websites within an Internet Browser. Due to the nature of the game and how user input is recorded, it is expected that the user will know how to use a keyboard and mouse. Additionally, it is expected that users know how to play the game of tic-tac-toe. Tic Tac Math also expects the user will have at least a third grade level education, preferably fourth grade or above. Specifically, the education level expects basic reading and multiplication skills in order to successfully use the software.

2.4Constraints

Based on the possible constraints from the IEEE SRS document, there are no additional constraints with regards to the software. These constraints included regulatory policies, hardware limitations, interfaces to other applications, parallel operation, audit functions, control functions, higher-order language requirements, signal handshake protocols, criticality of the application, and safety and security considerations.

In regards to regulatory policies, there are no governmental restrictions that the developer would have to take into consideration when writing the software. There are also no additional hardware constraints the developer needs to take into consideration when implementing the system, such as a low amount of memory or disk space. Interfacing with other applications is not within the scope of Tic Tac Math and should not be a concern for the developers. Tic Tac Math, in its current state, is a synchronous piece of software and does not require parallel operation in order to perform as intended. Due to the nature of the game and the fact that there is effectively "no" backend with zero data persistence, there is nothing to log for a future audit. Any failures in the system would have nowhere to be logged, therefore, there is no central location where data could be accessed and therefore audited. Additionally, the developer does not need to be concerned with signal handshake protocols such as TLS, HTTP, or TCP/IP as that is all handled by the Web Browser. The fundamental structure of the software involves no forms of persistence or interaction with other applications on the host system. Since the software is completely enclosed and hosted via a third party, any issues regarding data a malicious actor might try to gain is futile. There is absolutely no data the actor can access that will prove useful, and additionally, if the actor were to gain access to the system, it would be through the fault of the Web Browser or other third party application that is outside the scope of the developers working on Tic Tac Math.

2.5Assumptions and Dependencies

An assumption the system makes is the device it's being run on has access to the Internet via a Web Browser. However, if this is not available then the current document will require changes. The software will have to be adapted to run as a standalone application that is installed by the user and then run without access to the internet.

An additional assumption the system makes is the hardware running the game is using a mouse and keyboard. If a mouse and keyboard are not being used, the current document will also have to be adjusted to account for that. If the user is not using a touch-enabled screen on their device, then the host device is incompatible. If there is no way for the user to provide input to the software, then the software is unusable.

Also, it is assumed that the operating system the user has installed on their system has a desktop environment installed as well. Without a desktop environment, the software is not usable.

2.6 Apportioning of Requirements

Based on negotiations with customers, there were a few requirements that were determined to be beyond the scope of the current project and they may be addressed in figure version/releases. One of the requirements that was discussed was the ability for the two players to be on different machines rather than the same one. This was determined out of scope because the game in its current state still completes the goal of having a fun way to practice your math skills. This addition would require a revamp of the backend, therefore it will be addressed in figure versions/releases.

An additional suggestion that was made by customers was to have a way to store students' math accuracy after each game so the instructors can go through and look at all of the statistics for their students. Although we felt that this was a good idea, it was not a requirement in order to get the main functionality of the software completed. Additionally, this new feature would require similar backend changes to the requirement above, therefore it was decided to address this requirement in a future version or release.

3 Specific Requirements

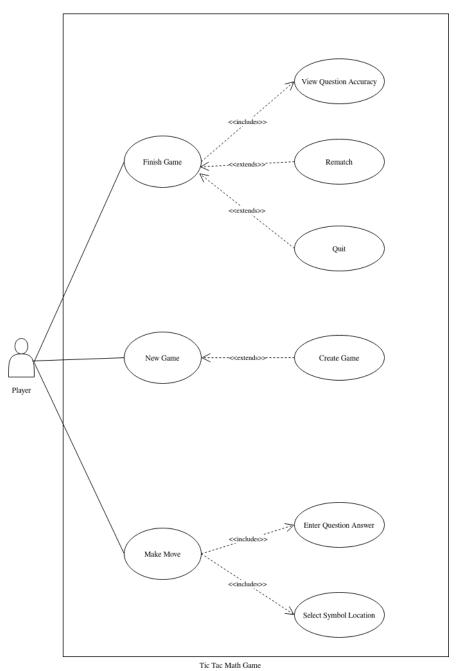
- 1. Game should have 4th graders (10 years old) be the core demographic
- 2. User interface must have a landing page
 - a. User Interface must provide the user the ability to start a new game
- 3. User interface must have a screen displaying the tic-tac-toe board
 - a. When it is the given user's turn, a message on the screen must be displayed signifying it is your turn.
 - b. the user interface must display a simple math problem on the screen (two numbers between 0-10 multiplied together) and the user will be provided an input area to submit their answer to the problem
 - i. Players who answer correctly are given the opportunity to make a single move on the tic-tac-toe board
 - ii. Players who fail to answer a question correctly will be given a new problem
 - iii. If the user fails to answer 3 questions correctly, the questions must be recycled
 - c. For every question a user answers correctly, their accuracy is locally stored
 - i. Accuracy should be determined by dividing 1 by the number of attempts required to get a question correct
 - d. Once a user has successfully won the game of tic-tac-toe, the winning user will be displayed a message and will display their question accuracy
 - e. If the user has lost, they will be displayed a different message and will display their question accuracy
 - f. At the end of a game, the game should provide the user options on how to proceed
 - i. The game should provide the option to rematch
 - ii. The game should provide the option to end the game

4 Modeling Requirements

Use Case Diagram

Use Case diagrams are a type of behavioral diagram that organizes behaviors of the system. Use cases are user goals, which are high-level services of the system. Use case diagrams are done from the point of view of an external actor.

The notation of a Use Case diagram is fairly straightforward. An actor is represented by a stick figure. A use case is represented by a labeled oval. A solid line is used to connect actors to the use cases that they want to achieve. Around the edge of the system, you can find a labeled box called the system boundary. We use <<includes>> and <<extends>> to signify that use cases are interacting with other use cases. An arrow marked with an <<includes>> means that there is a sub-goal that needs to get accomplished. On the other hand, an arrow marked with an <<extends>> means there is a special case that modifies the goal.



Use Case Name:	Make Move
Actors:	Player
Description:	The player selects to make a move on the tic-tac-toe board
Туре:	Primary and Essential

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Includes:	Enter Question Answer, Select Symbol Location
Extends:	None
Cross-refs:	None
Uses cases:	Enter Question Answer, Select Symbol Location

Use Case Name:	New Game
Actors:	Player
Description:	Player decides to start a new game of Tic Tac Math
Туре:	Primary and Essential
Includes:	None
Extends:	None
Cross-refs:	None
Use cases:	Create Game

Use Case Name:	Finish Game
Actors:	Player
Description:	Player decides to no longer continue playing Tic Tac Math
Туре:	Primary and Essential
Includes:	View Question Accuracy
Extends:	None
Cross-refs:	None
Use cases:	View Question Accuracy, Rematch, Quit

Use Case Name:	View Question Accuracy
Actors:	Player

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Description:	The player's question accuracy is displayed
Туре:	Secondary and Essential
Includes:	None
Extends:	None
Cross-refs:	None
Use cases:	None

Use Case Name:	Rematch
Actors:	Player
Description:	Player decides to continue playing Tic Tac Math against their opponent
Туре:	Secondary and Essential
Includes:	None
Extends:	Finish Game
Cross-refs:	None
Use cases:	None

Use Case Name:	Quit
Actors:	Player
Description:	Player decides to no longer continue playing Tic Tac Math against their opponent
Туре:	Secondary and Essential
Includes:	None
Extends:	Finish Game
Cross-refs:	None

Use cases:	None
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Use Case Name:	Create Game
Actors:	Player
Description:	A new game is started, resetting all underlying data
Туре:	Secondary and Essential
Includes:	None
Extends:	New Game
Cross-refs:	None
Use cases:	None

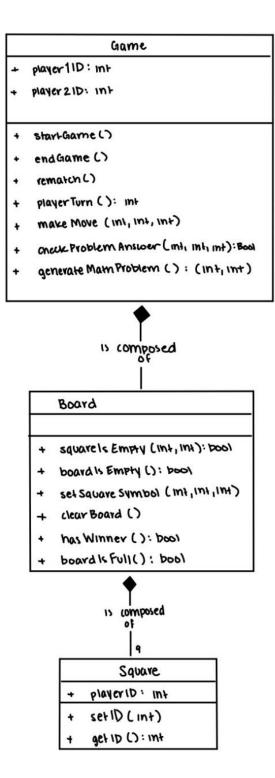
Use Case Name:	Enter Question Answer
Actors:	Player
Description:	Player enters their answer to the generated math question
Туре:	Secondary and Essential
Includes:	None
Extends:	None
Cross-refs:	None
Use cases:	None

Use Case Name:	Select Symbol Location	
Actors:	Player	
Description:	Player selects the location on the board where they would like to place their symbol	

Туре:	Secondary and Essential	
Includes:	None	
Extends:	None	
Cross-refs:	None	
Use cases:	None	

Class Diagram

Class diagrams are used to model attributes and methods of classes and the relationships between them. Each class is represented by a box with three components: the class name in the top box, attributes in the middle box, and methods in the bottom. It is important to note that attributes and methods are sometimes omitted. For the attributes and methods, the + prefix is used to indicate that it is a public attribute or method, meaning it can be accessed by anyone. It is also important to note that attributes of a class that are objects are represented by composition instead, which is signified by a closed black diamond head.



Tic Tac Math Class Diagram

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Class Dictionary:

Game:

- Attributes:
 - player1ID: represents the identifier for the first player
 - player2ID: represents the identifier for the second player
 - Composed of one board object
- Methods:
 - startGame: starts a new game with a fresh game board
 - endGame: clears the game board and takes the users back to the landing page
 - rematch: clears the board and starts another game with the same two opponents
 - playerTurn: returns the identifier of the player whose turn it is
 - makeMove: given the player identifier and the x and y coordinates of the square, it will start the sequence of generating a new math problem, prompting the user for an answer, and setting the symbol on the board.
 - checkProblemAnswer: given the multiplicand, multiplier, and the user's answer, it determines if the user's answer is correct.
 - generateMathProblem: generates a random math problem and returns a pair of integers, the first being the multiplicand and the second being the multiplier. The two numbers are between zero and ten.

Board:

- Attributes:
 - Composed of nine Square objects
- Methods:
 - squareIsEmpty: given the x and y coordinates of the square, returns true if it is empty and false otherwise.
 - boardIsEmpty: returns true if no squares in the board have a symbol, false otherwise.
 - setSquareSymbol: given the x and y coordinates of the square and the player's identifier, set's the symbol based on the value of the player identifier.
 - clearBoard: clears all symbols from the board.
 - hasWinner: determines if there is currently a winner on the board based on the board's current state.
 - boardIsFull: returns true if all squares in the board have a symbol associated with them, return false otherwise.

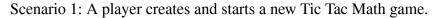
Square:

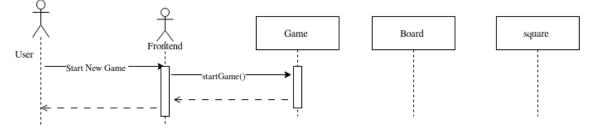
- Attributes:
 - playerID: integer representing the player who selected this square. The identifier is what is used to determine the symbol

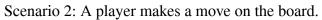
- Methods:
 - setID: sets the identifier for the square, which in turn sets the square's symbol
 - getID: gets the identifier for the square, which is effectively getting the symbol for the square

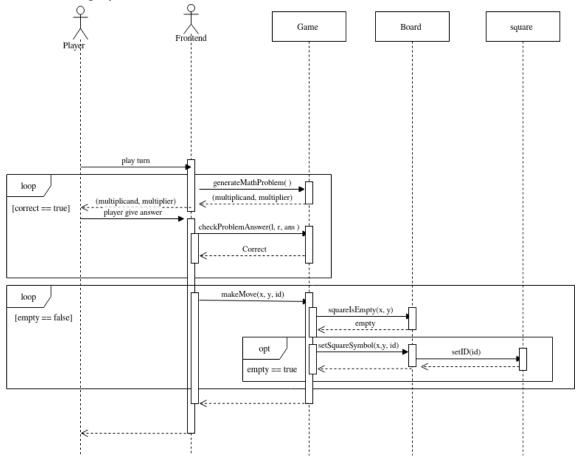
Representative Scenarios

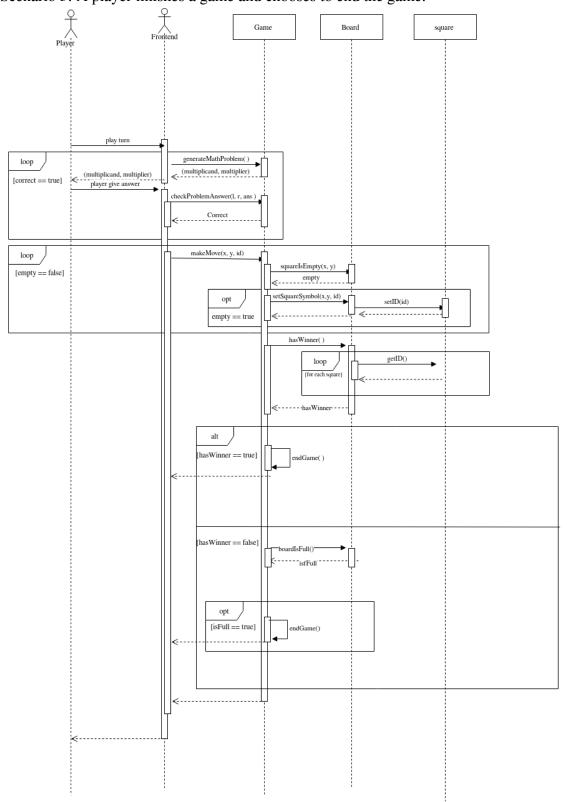
The following scenarios contain sequence diagrams. A sequence diagram is a class and object diagram that describes the structure of the system. Specifically, it models how objects send messages to each other. A lifeline in a sequence diagram consists of two parts: a box representing an object labeled with the type of the object, and a vertical dashed line representing the lifetime of the object. In sequence diagrams, sometimes we have alternate roles, which are roles that are not covered by software objects. Alternate roles are represented by stick figures instead of a box. An activation bar is a rectangle on a lifeline, and it represents an object performing an operation. The bottom of an activation bar represents the end of the operation. Messages passed between objects are called call messages, and these are represented by arrows. Synchronous messages, the ones that the following diagrams will use, have a solid arrow head and it means the caller waits for a response. The following diagrams also take advantage of sequence fragments, which are a frame that encloses part of the diagram. An opt frame only runs certain conditions, an alt frame means there are multiple versions of an operation, but only one of which runs, and the loop frame runs a fragment possibly multiple times.









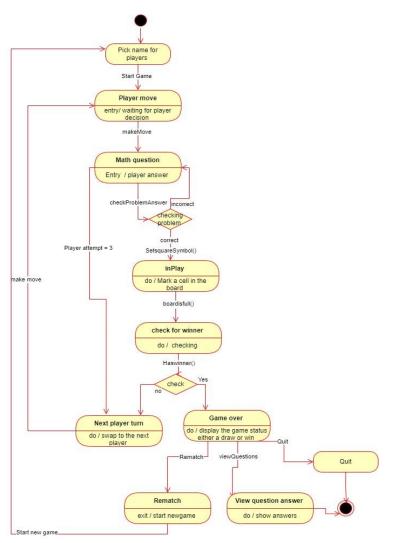


Scenario 3: A player finishes a game and chooses to end the game.

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State Diagram

A state diagram is a variation on finite automata. This means that the system has a state which can change if a certain event occurs. In this context, state is just an abstraction of the system's attributes. An event is just something that occurs at any point in time. State is represented by rounded rectangles and events are represented by labeled arrows. In a state diagram, the states can actually have actions which can be performed while in that state. There are three main types of actions: entry occurs when transitioning into the state, do is performed continuously while in the state, and exit occurs when transitioning out of the state. Actions are labeled with the format event/action.



5 Prototype

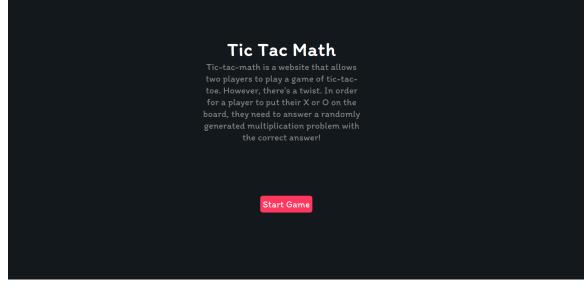
The Tic Tac Math prototype currently has the very basic functionality of a functioning game. The prototype allows users to access a landing page, which when the "Start Game" button is pressed, will navigate them to a tic-tac-toe board. The prototype allows Player 1, who is automatically given X, to make their first move on the board. When their move is selected, a text box will appear on the screen and prompt the user to enter their answer to the given math problem. At the moment, the prototype only generates the math problem 3×1 and will consider your answer correct, no matter what your input is. From there, the game will place your respective symbol on the board. This repeats for both players until there is either a winner or there is a tie. When the game is over, the prototype displays either the winner or if it was a tie underneath the tic-tac-toe board. At any point in the game, the users have the choice to clear the board and start the game over again. In the prototype's current state, the player accuracy statistics on the bottom of the screen are hard-coded values and do not track any of the users' answers.

5.1How to Run Prototype

Running the Tic Tac Math prototype is incredibly simple. All the user needs to do is follow this link: <u>https://jakecorrenti.github.io/tictacmath/</u>. The link will take you to the landing page for Tic Tac Math, and from there all you have to do is have fun! There is no additional system configuration or plugins required in order to play Tic Tac Math. Additionally, assuming the user has access to a Web Browser and an internet connection, there are no specific OS or networking constraints.

5.2Sample Scenarios

The following is a scenario where Player 1, who represents the symbol X, will be the winner of the game. First, the users navigate to the landing page. When they get to the landing page, they select the "Start Game" button, which takes them to the game board.



Tic Tac Math landing page

Tic Tac Math Player X's turn	Player X's turn	Player X's turn
Player X's Accuracy: 100%	Player X's Accuracy: 100%	Player X's Accuracy: 100%
Player X's Accuracy: 100%	Player X's Accuracy: 100%	Player X's Accuracy: 100%
Player X's Accuracy: 100%	Player X's Accuracy: 100%	Player X's Accuracy: 100%
Player X's Accuracy: 100%	Player X's Accuracy: 100%	Player X's Accuracy: 100%
Player O's Accuracy: 100%	Player O's Accuracy: 100%	Player O's Accuracy: 100%

Navigated to the Tic Tac Math game board after pressing "Start Game"

Player 1 is now able to select where they want to put their X symbol. The player selects the square they want to put the symbol, and a pop-up will show up asking for

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Tic Tac Math	
Player X's turn	
Reset	
Player X's Accuracy: 100%	
Player O's Accuracy: 100%	
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Please enter the following problem correctly to draw your symbol: 3 x 1	
Cancel	

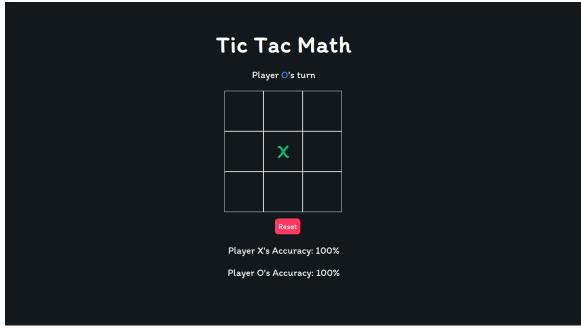
user input. The user will then input their answer for the problem.

Tic Tac Math prompting for the user's answer to the generated question

Tic Tac Math
Player X's turn
Reset
Player X's Accuracy: 100%
Player O's Accuracy: 100%
⊕ jakecorrenti_github.io
Please enter the following problem correctly to draw your symbol: 3 x1 3
Cancel OK

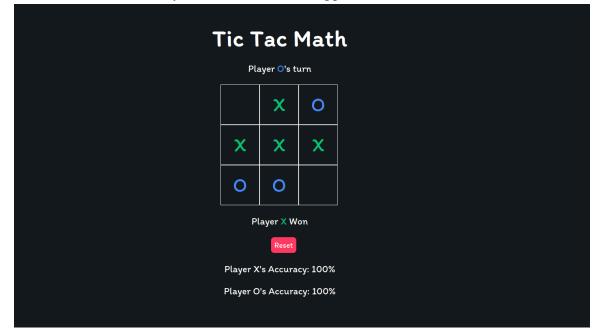
User inputs answer for problem

After the user inputs their answer to the problem, the game will place their symbol in the box they had selected. The game will then alternate to the next player's



Player 1 input the correct answer to the problem. Now it is Player 2's turn.

Player 1 and Player 2 will alternate taking turns until either the game ends in a tie or a win. In this case, Player 1 is the successful opponent.



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turn.

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