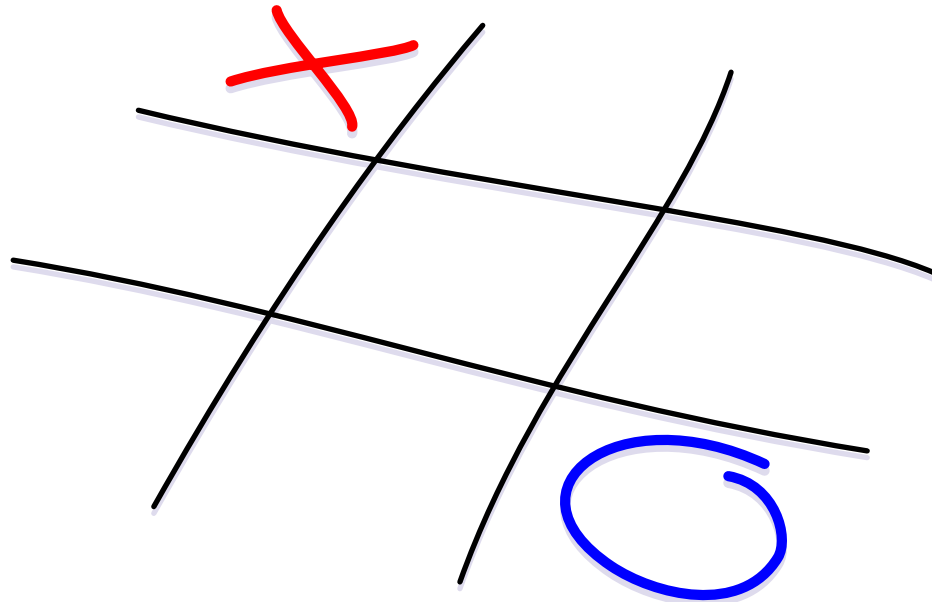


This game is the same as ordinary tic-tac-toe, except that at each turn the player can choose to play an X or an O. You win if you get three X's in a row, or three O's in a row with your turn.

If the first player doesn't make any mistakes, he or she can always win.



You play first. Put an X on the table centre square.

Your opponent will have to put an O somewhere.

If your opponent puts an O in a corner, you put an O in the opposite corner. No matter what your opponent plays next, you will have an easy win on the following move.

If your opponent puts an O on a side, you put an O on the opposite side. If your opponent now puts either an X or an O in a corner square, you have to ??????. So your opponent will put an ?????? of the remaining side squares. You reply by putting an O on the opposite side. This leaves only corner squares for your opponent and you will get an easy win on your next move.