

Solving Logic Puzzles using Mathematical and Constraint Programming

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1. Intro

In recent years, the allure of Japanese logical puzzles, such as Sudoku, Nonograms, and Kakuro, has transcended cultural boundaries, captivating the minds of enthusiasts worldwide. Despite their seeming simplicity, these puzzles embed intricate logical structures that challenge human solvers and computational methods alike. This paper introduces approaches for solving Hashiwokakero, Walls, Marupeke and L-Panel puzzles by formulating them as integer and constraint programming problems. By harnessing the expressiveness of mathematical programming, we capture the essence of these puzzles, translating their rules into compact and efficient models. Our Python-based implementation using Z3 and Or-tools offers an intuitive platform for both research and educational purposes. Experimental results showcase the efficacy of our approach, emphasizing its potential as a powerful tool for puzzle enthusiasts and researchers in the domain of combinatorial optimization.

2. Hashiwokakero

Hashiwokakero, or simply Hashi, is a Japanese single-player puzzle played on a rectangular grid with no standard size. Some cells of the grid contain a circle, called island, with a number inside it ranging from one to eight, and the number of islands is denoted by n . The remaining positions of the grid are empty. The player must connect all the islands by drawing bridges between them. For this reason, the game is often referred to as building bridges. The solution to the puzzle must respect the following rules:

1. The bridges must begin and end at distinct islands;
2. They must not cross any other bridges or islands;
3. They may only run horizontally or vertically;
4. At most two bridges may connect any pair of islands;
5. The number of bridges connected to each island must be equal to the number inscribed in the circle;
6. Each island must be reachable from any other island.

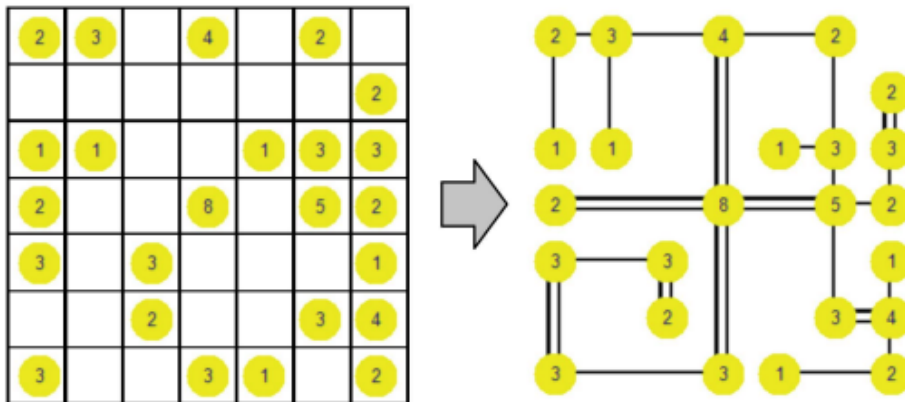


Figure 1: A Hashi puzzle (left) and a feasible solution (right)

2.1. Mathematical Model

The Hashi puzzle can be defined on an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, where V is the set of vertices representing islands. Let d_i be the number of bridges to be constructed from island i , and $|V| = n$. Let $\delta(i)$ be the set of vertices adjacent to vertex i either horizontally or vertically. Let E be the set of all edges connecting two adjacent vertices of V . By convention, if $(i, j) \in E$, then $i < j$. Let Δ be the set of intersecting edge pairs $\{(i, j), (k, l)\} \in E$. We model Hashi as an integer linear program based on which admits a solution if and only if the Hashi puzzle is feasible. For $(i, j) \in E$, our model uses binary variables y_{ij} indicating whether two adjacent vertices i and j are connected by at least

one bridge in the solution, and integer variables x_{ij} indicating the number of bridges between i and j . The formulation is then:

$$\sum_{i < k, i \in \delta(k)} x_{ik} + \sum_{j > k, i \in \delta(k)} x_{jk} = d_k, k \in V.$$

$$y_{ij} \leq x_{ij} \leq 2y_{ij}, (i, j) \in E.$$

$$y_{ij} + y_{kl} \leq 1, \{(i, j), (k, l)\} \in \Delta.$$

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in S, j \in V \setminus S \\ \vee j \in S, i \in V \setminus S}} y_{ij} \geq 1, S \subset V, 1 \leq |S| \leq n - 1.$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1, 2\}, (i, j) \in E.$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, (i, j) \in E.$$

Constraints (1) force the presence of d_k bridges for each vertex k . According to constraints (2), at most two bridges can exist between any two connected vertices. These constraints also ensure consistency between the x_{ij} and y_{ij} variables. Constraints (3) prohibit intersecting bridges, and constraints (4) are strong connectivity constraints, enforcing the solution to be connected, as in the traveling salesman problem (Dantzig et al. 1954). Constraints (5) and (6) define the domains of the variables. This formulation can be strengthened by adding a valid inequality which exploits the fact that the graph induced by the positive y_{ij} variables must contain a spanning tree. It is called “weak connectivity constraint” and is found to be helpful in an algorithm in which the strong connectivity constraints (4) are relaxed.

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in E} y_{ij} \geq n - 1.$$

2.2. Solved puzzles

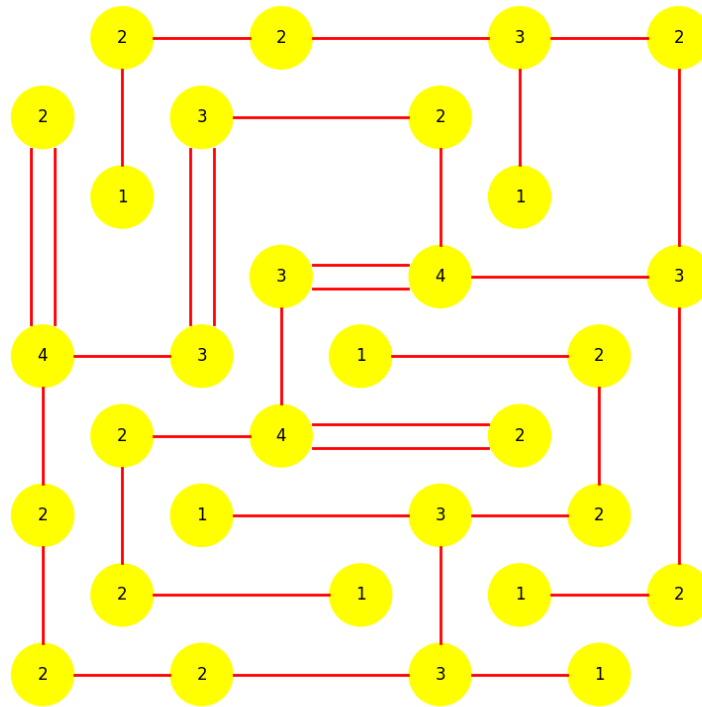


Figure 3: Solution to the Metasequoia1 puzzle

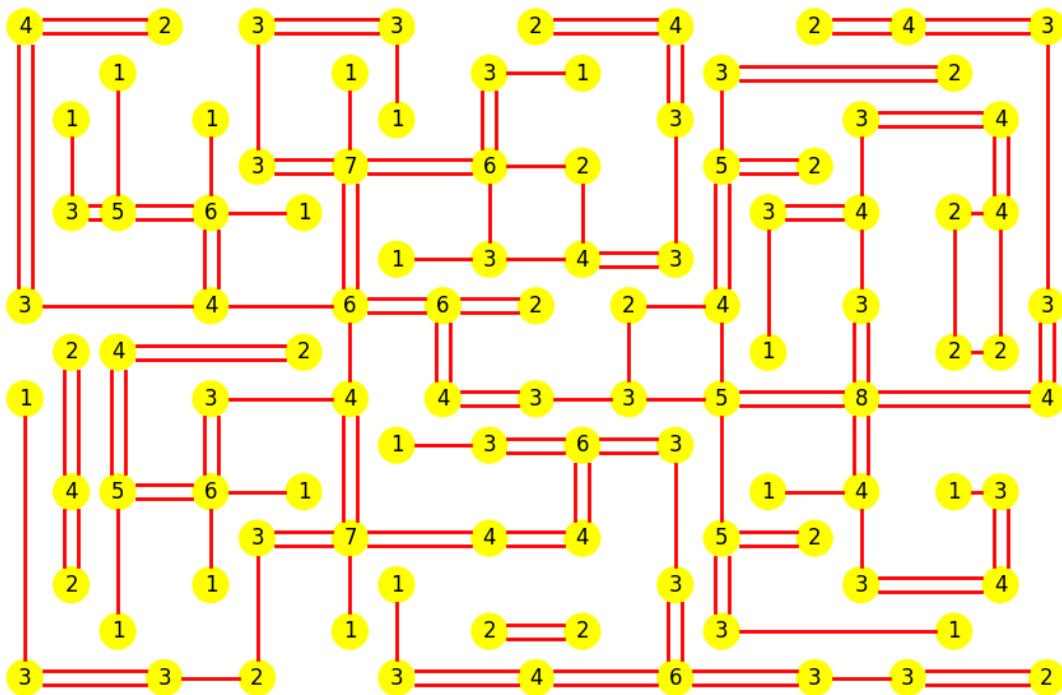


Figure 4: Solution to the Metasequoia2 puzzle

3. Walls

Walls is a perfect piece of puzzle minimalism. No shading, no symbols. Just horizontal and vertical lines. The rules are incredibly simple but solving a puzzle can be spectacularly difficult. The challenge in a Walls puzzle is to fill each empty cell with either a vertical or a horizontal line, so that the number in each black cell equals the combined length of the lines ending at that cell. Lines cannot go through the black cells. The figure below shows a Walls puzzle along with the solution.

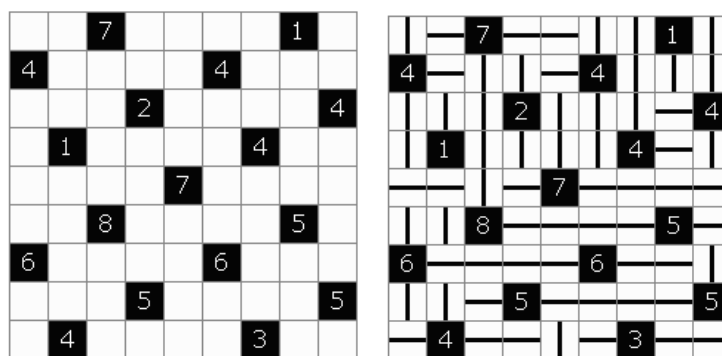


Figure 5: A Walls puzzle and its solution

3.1. Mathematical Model

We introduce binary variables v_{ij} and h_{ij} to represent a vertical or a horizontal line in cell (i, j) . We have l_{ij} indicating the combined length of the lines (horizontal and vertical) ending at cell (i, j) . We denote the set of filled cells on the board by F and the set of empty cells by B . We now have the following constraints:

$$h_{ij} + v_{ij} = 1, \forall (i, j) \in B$$

$$\bigvee_{p \in P_{ij}^l} \left(\sum_{(k,l) \in p_V} v_{kl} + \sum_{(k,l) \in p_H} h_{kl} = l_{ij} \right), \forall (i, j) \in F$$

$$\bigwedge_{p \in P_{ij}^{l+1}} \left(\sum_{(k,l) \in p_V} v_{kl} + \sum_{(k,l) \in p_H} h_{kl} \neq l_{ij} + 1 \right), \forall (i, j) \in F$$

The first constraint ensures that every cell only contains either a horizontal line or a vertical line. The second constraint and third constraints are interesting and require a more detailed explanation. We define P_{ij}^l as the set of all paths **accessible** from the cell (i, j) with each path containing l cells. A path p belonging to P_{ij}^l can contain cells which are either horizontally or vertically accessible from (i, j) . The set of cells in path p which are horizontally accessible from (i, j) is denoted by p_H and the set of cells which are vertically accessible is denoted by p_V . The second constraint ensures that of all paths containing l cells accessible from (i, j) which have a combined line length of l , only one path is selected. In the figure below, for the cell $(1, 3), l = 3$. The set P_{13}^3 contains 5 paths $[(0, 3), (1, 1), (1, 2)], [(2, 3), (1, 1), (1, 2)], [(0, 3), (2, 3), (3, 3)], [(0, 3), (1, 2), (2, 3)], [(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 3)]$.

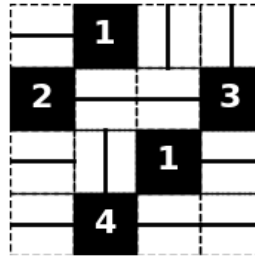


Figure 6: A Walls puzzle and its solution

For the path $[(0, 3), (1, 1), (1, 2)], p_V = \{(0, 3)\}$ and $p_H = \{(1, 1), (1, 2)\}$.

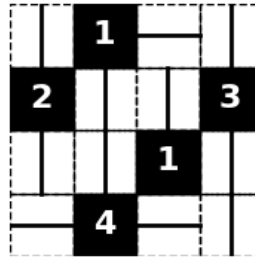


Figure 7: A Walls puzzle and its solution

From the above figure, it is easy to see that the second constraint is necessary but not sufficient to ensure that **maximum** combined line length of lines ending in a given filled black cell (i, j) is l_{ij} . That is where the third constraint comes in. It ensures that none of the paths in P_{ij}^{l+1} have a combined line length $l + 1$ which guarantees that **maximum** combined line length of lines ending in (i, j) is indeed l_{ij} .

3.2. Notes on implementation

The crux of the model is generating the sets P_{ij}^l . We first identify all the cells accessible from a cell (i, j) in each of the four directions in increasing order of distance upto a **maximum** of l cells in each direction. Let R_{ij} be set of cells to the right of (i, j) , L_{ij} be the set of cells to the left, U_{ij} be the

set of cells in the upward direction and D_{ij} be the set of cells in the downward direction. We then generate the set of contiguous sub-paths for each of the above sets. We need to generate sets of sub-paths for the following reason. E.g. even if there are four cells in R_{ij} , we might use a sub-path containing two cells from R_{ij} when we are generating a path of length l . Let us denote the sets of sub-paths by R'_{ij} , L'_{ij} , D'_{ij} and U'_{ij} . The number of partitions of l gives the maximum number of ways in which a path of length l can be broken down into sub-paths in the horizontal and vertical directions. For each partition of l , we can generate one or more paths by choosing a combination of sub-paths from R'_{ij} , L'_{ij} , D'_{ij} and U'_{ij} accordingly. Here is an illustration of generating the paths in P_{13}^3 using the above procedure. We have

$$\begin{aligned} R_{13} &= \{\} \\ L_{13} &= \{(1, 2), (1, 1)\} \\ U_{13} &= \{(0, 3)\} \\ D_{13} &= \{(2, 3), (3, 3)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R'_{13} &= \{\} \\ L'_{13} &= \{[(1, 2)], [(1, 2), (1, 1)]\} \\ U'_{13} &= \{[(0, 3)]\} \\ D'_{13} &= \{[(2, 3)], [(2, 3), (3, 3)]\} \end{aligned}$$

The partitions of 3 are $\{1, 1, 1\}$, $\{1, 2\}$ and $\{3\}$. To use the first partition, we need 3 sub-paths of length 1. We can choose sub-path of length 1 from each of L'_{ij} , D'_{ij} and U'_{ij} which gives us the path $[(0, 3), (1, 2), (2, 3)]$. To use the second partition, we need 1 sub-path of length 1 and 2 sub-paths of length 2. E.g. selecting $[(0, 3)]$ from U'_{ij} and $[(2, 3), (3, 3)]$ from D'_{ij} gives us the path $[(0, 3), (2, 3), (3, 3)]$. The other three paths can be generated in a similar fashion. None of the subsets R'_{ij} , L'_{ij} , D'_{ij} and U'_{ij} have 3 elements so the third partition cannot be used.

3.3. Solved puzzles

Here are a couple of hard puzzles from **Alex Bellos'** Puzzle Ninja that were solved using the Python implementation given in the Appendix in under a couple of seconds.

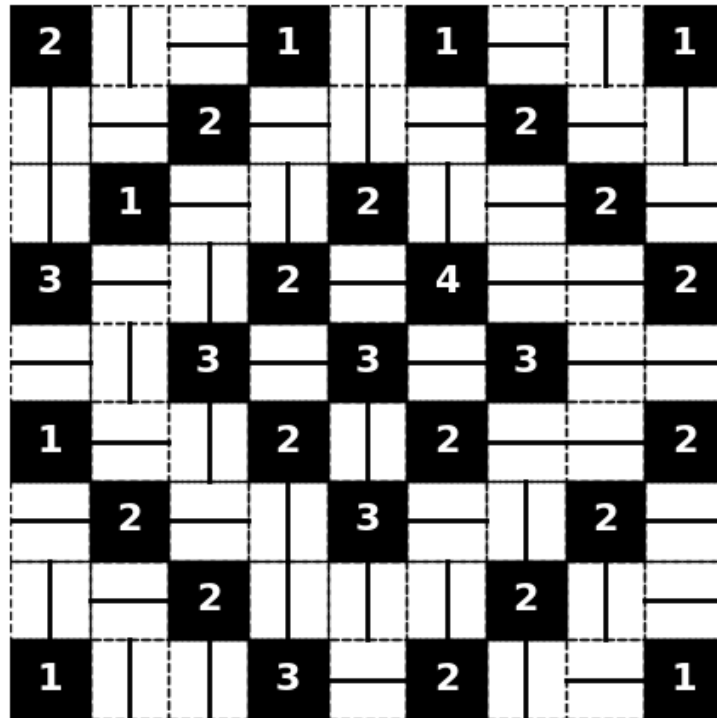


Figure 8: Puzzle 8 from Alex Bellos' Puzzle Ninja Book

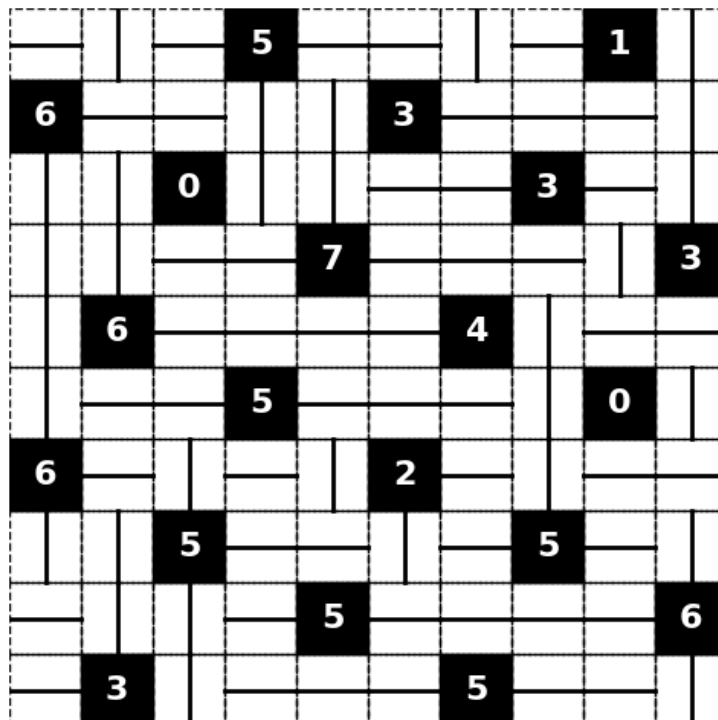


Figure 9: Puzzle 9 from Alex Bellos' Puzzle Ninja Book

4. L-Panel

The challenge is to tile the board with L-shaped tiles excluding the filled squares as shown in the figure below.

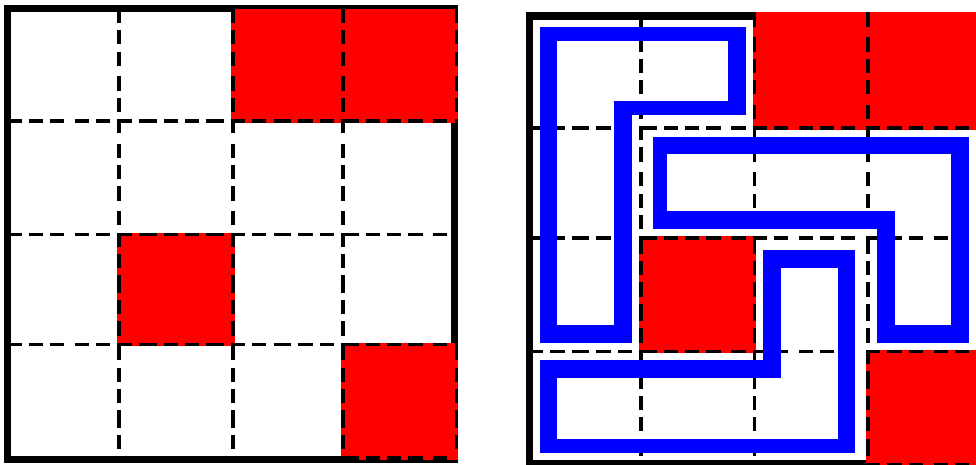


Figure 10: An L-Panel puzzle example

4.1. Solved Puzzles

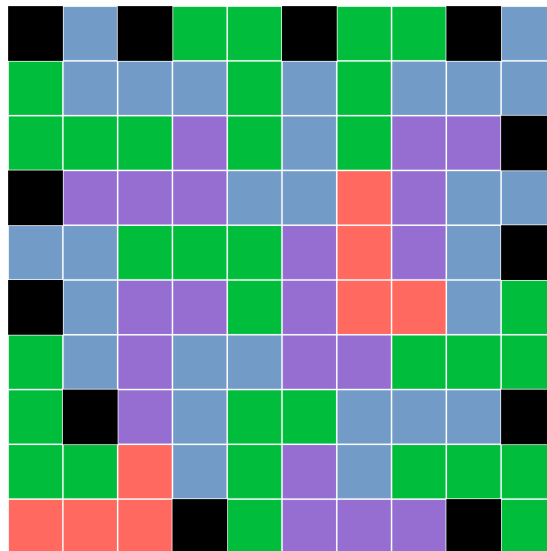


Figure 11: Puzzle 7 from Alex Bellos' Puzzle Ninja Book

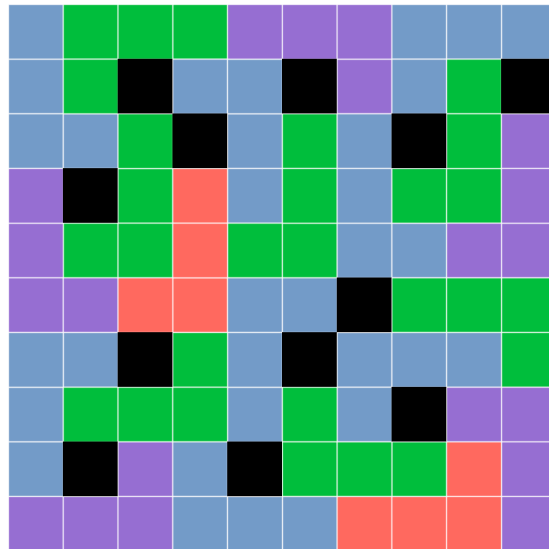


Figure 12: Puzzle 8 from Alex Bellos' Puzzle Ninja Book

5. Marupeke

The challenge here is to fill each empty cell with either an O or an X, so that no more than two consecutive cells, either horizontally, vertically or diagonally, contain the same symbol.

5.1. Solved Puzzles

X	O	X	O	X	O	X	X	O
O	O	X	O	X	X	O	■	X
X	X	O	■	O	X	O	X	O
O	■	O	■	O	■	■	O	X
X	O	X	O	X	O	X	O	X
X	■	■	O	X	X	■	■	■
■	O	X	X	O	■	O	X	O
X	X	■	O	X	X	■	X	■
O	O	X	X	O	O	X	O	X

Figure 13: Puzzle 4 from Alex Bellos' Puzzle Ninja Book

O	X	O	X	X		O	X	X	O
O	X	X		O	X		O	O	X
X	O	X	O		O	O		X	O
X	O		O	X	X		O		O
O	X		X	X	O	X		X	X
O	X			O	O	X	O	O	
X	O	O		X	X	O	O	X	X
O		X	X	O			X	O	O
X	O	O	X	O	X	O	O	X	X
O	X	X	O		O	X	O	X	O

Figure 14: Puzzle 5 from Alex Bellos' Puzzle Ninja Book

6. BlockNumber

In this puzzle, a grid is divided into blocks. Fill each block with the number(s) starting from 1 and counting upwards. So a single cell block contains just a 1. A two cell block contains 1 and 2. A three cell block contains 1, 2 and 3; and so on.

					3	1	2	1
					2	4	3	4
					3	5	1	2
1					1	2	4	3

Figure 15: A BlockNumber puzzle and its solution

6.1. Solved Puzzles

						1	3	2	3	1	4	2
						5	4	1	5	2	3	1
						3	2	3	4	1	4	2
						1	5	1	2	3	5	3
						2	3	4	5	1	2	1
						4	1	2	3	4	3	4
						2	5	4	1	2	1	2

Figure 16: A BlockNumber puzzle and its solution

7. Searchlights

The challenge is to place circles in some cells of the grid following the rules below. A number in a black cell indicates how many lights you would see from that cell looking horizontally and vertically (but not diagonally). You can see through lights but not through black cells. A cell can have at most one light.

2		0	0
	1		2
2	0	4	0
0		0	3

Figure 17: An examples Searchlights puzzle

7.1. Solved Puzzles

	0	3					1	
	2	0			4	0	0	3
2		0	2		0	2		
0		4					2	
				1				
	2	0				4	0	0
		2			1			1
4	0	0	3			0	3	
0	3			0		3	0	

Figure 18: Puzzle 4 from Alex Bellos' Puzzle Ninja Book

3	0	0		3					2
	0	3		0		5	0	0	0
				3			0	3	
0	5			0	5	0	0		0
			2		0		6	0	4
3	0	3				2			0
		0	0	4			0	2	
	2				2				
0	0	0	5		0		2		
1					1				1

Figure 19: Puzzle 5 from Alex Bellos' Puzzle Ninja Book

8. Calendar Puzzle

A-Puzzle-A-Day is a very fun and addictive puzzle that gives you a new challenge every single day of the year. All you need to do is fit these eight pieces into the calendar frame to leave one month and one day showing. Can you find your birthday? Your favorite holidays? Your anniversary? Today's date? Every day you have a new puzzle!

9. References

10. Appendix

10.1. Hashiwokakero - Python implementation

```

1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2 import matplotlib.patches as patches
3 import numpy as np
4 from ortools.sat.python import cp_model
5 import networkx as nx
6
7 class Hashiwokakero:
8
9     def __init__(self, puzzle):
10         self.puzzle = puzzle
11         self.r, self.c = len(puzzle), len(puzzle[0])
12
13     def is_path_clear(i1, j1, i2, j2):
14         if i1 == i2: # same row

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15         for j in range(min(j1, j2) + 1, max(j1, j2)):
16             if self.puzzle[i1][j] != 0:
17                 return False
18         elif j1 == j2: # same column
19             for i in range(min(i1, i2) + 1, max(i1, i2)):
20                 if self.puzzle[i][j1] != 0:
21                     return False
22         return True
23
24     horizontal_bridges, vertical_bridges = [], []
25     self.G = nx.Graph()
26     self.d = {}
27     for i in range(self.r):
28         for j in range(self.c):
29             if puzzle[i][j] != 0:
30                 self.d[i*self.c + j] = puzzle[i][j]
31                 for k in range(j + 1, self.c): # search right
32                     if self.puzzle[i][k] != 0 and
33                         is_path_clear(i, j, i, k):
34                         horizontal_bridges.append((i, j, i, k))
35                         self.G.add_edge(i*self.c + j, i*self.c + k)
36                 for k in range(j - 1, -1, -1): # search left
37                     if self.puzzle[i][k] != 0 and
38                         is_path_clear(i, j, i, k):
39                         horizontal_bridges.append((i, k, i, j))
40                         self.G.add_edge(i*self.c + k, i*self.c + j)
41                 for l in range(i + 1, self.r): # search down
42                     if self.puzzle[l][j] != 0 and
43                         is_path_clear(i, j, l, j):
44                         vertical_bridges.append((i, j, l, j))
45                         self.G.add_edge(i*self.c + j, l*self.c + j)
46                 for l in range(i - 1, -1, -1): # search up
47                     if self.puzzle[l][j] != 0 and
48                         is_path_clear(i, j, l, j):
49                         vertical_bridges.append((l, j, i, j))
50                         self.G.add_edge(l*self.c + j, i*self.c + j)
51
52     self.Delta = set()
53     for vb in vertical_bridges:
54         for hb in horizontal_bridges:
55             if hb[1] < vb[1] < hb[3] and vb[0] < hb[0] < vb[2]:
56                 self.Delta.add(((hb[0]*self.c + hb[1],
57                                 hb[2]*self.c + hb[3]),
58                                (vb[0]*self.c + vb[1],
59                                 vb[2]*self.c + vb[3])))
60
61     def plot(self, circle_radius=0.08, font_size=12, line_color='red',
62             circle_color='yellow', line_width=2):
63         fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 12))
64
65         # Grid spacing
66         grid_spacing = 0.2 # Adjusted for larger grids
67         # Plot islands (nodes)
68         for i in range(self.r):
69             for j in range(self.c):

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70         if self.puzzle[i][j] != 0:
71             circle = patches.Circle((j * grid_spacing, i *
grid_spacing),
72                                     circle_radius, fc=circle_color)
73             ax.add_patch(circle)
74             plt.text(j * grid_spacing, i * grid_spacing,
str(self.puzzle[i][j]),
75                     ha='center', va='center', fontsize=font_size)
76     # Plot bridges
77     for bridge in self.bridges:
78         start, end, num_bridges = bridge
79         if num_bridges == 0:
80             continue
81         # Adjusting for the gap between double bridges
82         delta = 0.03 if num_bridges == 2 else 0 # Adjusted gap
83         # Horizontal bridges
84         if start[0] == end[0]:
85             y = start[0] * grid_spacing
86             x1 = start[1] * grid_spacing + circle_radius
87             x2 = end[1] * grid_spacing - circle_radius
88             if num_bridges == 1:
89                 plt.plot([x1, x2], [y, y], color=line_color, lw=line_width)
90             else: # 2 bridges
91                 plt.plot([x1, x2], [y - delta, y - delta],
color=line_color, lw=line_width)
92                 plt.plot([x1, x2], [y + delta, y + delta],
color=line_color, lw=line_width)
93         # Vertical bridges
94         elif start[1] == end[1]:
95             x = start[1] * grid_spacing
96             y1 = start[0] * grid_spacing + circle_radius
97             y2 = end[0] * grid_spacing - circle_radius
98             if num_bridges == 1:
99                 plt.plot([x, x], [y1, y2], color=line_color, lw=line_width)
100            else: # 2 bridges
101                plt.plot([x - delta, x - delta], [y1, y2],
color=line_color, lw=line_width)
102                plt.plot([x + delta, x + delta], [y1, y2],
color=line_color, lw=line_width)
103            ax.set_aspect('equal')
104            ax.set_xlim(-0.5, self.c * grid_spacing) # Adjusted for reduced
spacing
105            ax.set_ylim(-0.5, self.r * grid_spacing) # Adjusted for reduced
spacing
106            plt.gca().invert_yaxis() # To match matrix layout
107            plt.axis('off')
108            plt.show()
109
110        def solve(self):
111            self.model = cp_model.CpModel()
112            self.x, self.y = {}, {}
113
114            for (u,v) in self.G.edges:
115                i, j = min(u,v), max(u,v)
116                self.x[(i,j)] = self.model.NewIntVar(0, 2, 'x_%d_%d' % (i,j))
117

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118         self.y[(i,j)] = self.model.NewIntVar(0, 1, 'y_%d_%d' % (i,j))
119
120     #Constraint 1
121     for k in self.G.nodes:
122         s = 0
123         for i in self.G.neighbors(k):
124             if i < k:
125                 s += self.x[(i,k)]
126         for j in self.G.neighbors(k):
127             if j > k:
128                 s += self.x[(k,j)]
129         self.model.Add(s==self.d[k])
130
131     #Constraint 2
132     for (u,v) in self.G.edges:
133         i, j = min(u,v), max(u,v)
134         self.model.Add(self.y[(i,j)] <= self.x[(i,j)])
135         self.model.Add( self.x[(i,j)] <= 2*self.y[(i,j)])
136
137     #Constraint 3
138     for ((i,j), (k,l),) in self.Delta:
139         self.model.Add(self.y[(i,j)] + self.y[(k,l)] <= 1)
140
141     #Constraint 7
142     s = 0
143     for (u,v) in self.G.edges:
144         i, j = min(u,v), max(u,v)
145         s += self.y[(i,j)]
146     self.model.Add(s >= self.G.number_of_nodes()-1)
147
148     self.solver = cp_model.CpSolver()
149     status = self.solver.Solve(self.model)
150     self.bridges = None
151     if status == cp_model.OPTIMAL or status == cp_model.FEASIBLE:
152         for (i,j), v in self.x.items():
153             val = int(self.solver.Value(self.x[(i,j)]))
154             self.bridges.append((divmod(i,self.c),
155                                 divmod(j, self.c), val))
156
157     def plot_solution(self):
158         self.solve()
159         if self.bridges:
160             self.plot()
161         else:
162             print("Could not find solution!")
163
164     honatata = [
165         [4, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 1, 0],
166         [0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 2],
167         [0, 3, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0],
168         [0, 0, 3, 0, 8, 0, 0, 4],
169         [3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
170         [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 4],
171         [3, 0, 2, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0],
172         [0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 5, 2, 0],

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173     [3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1]
174 ]
175
176 metasequoia = [
177     [0, 2, 0, 2, 0, 0, 3, 0, 2],
178     [2, 0, 3, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0],
179     [0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
180     [0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 4, 0, 0, 3],
181     [4, 0, 3, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0],
182     [0, 2, 0, 4, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0],
183     [2, 0, 1, 0, 0, 3, 0, 2, 0],
184     [0, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 2],
185     [2, 0, 2, 0, 0, 3, 0, 1, 0]
186 ]
187
188 metasequoia2 = [
189     [4, 0, 0, 2, 0, 3, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 2, 0, 4, 0, 0, 3],
190     [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 3, 0, 1, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0],
191     [0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 4, 0],
192     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 7, 0, 0, 6, 0, 2, 0, 0, 5, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
193     [0, 3, 5, 0, 6, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 4, 0, 2, 4, 0, 0],
194     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 3, 0, 4, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
195     [3, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 6, 0, 6, 0, 2, 0, 2, 0, 4, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 3],
196     [0, 2, 4, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 2, 0, 0],
197     [1, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 4, 0, 4, 0, 3, 0, 3, 0, 5, 0, 0, 8, 0, 0, 0, 4],
198     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 3, 0, 6, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
199     [0, 4, 5, 0, 6, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 4, 0, 1, 3, 0, 0],
200     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 7, 0, 0, 4, 0, 4, 0, 0, 5, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
201     [0, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 4, 0],
202     [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 2, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
203     [3, 0, 0, 3, 0, 2, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 6, 0, 0, 3, 0, 3, 0, 0, 2]
204 ]
205
206 Hashiwokakero(honatata).plot_solution()
207 Hashiwokakero(metasequoia).plot_solution()
Hashiwokakero(metasequoia2).plot_solution()

```

10.2. Walls - Python implementation

```

1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 from collections import defaultdict
4 from z3 import *
5 from itertools import product, combinations
6 from collections import Counter
7
8 def partitions(n, I=1):
9     yield (n,)
10    for i in range(I, n//2 + 1):
11        for p in partitions(n-i, i):
12            yield (i,) + p
13
14 def csl(input_list):
15     sublists = []
16     for i in range(1, len(input_list)+1):

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17     sublists.append(input_list[:i])
18     return sublists
19
20 def enforce_exactly_one_true(constraints):
21     exactly_one_true = Or([Xor(c, And(constraints[:i] + constraints[i+1:]))
22                            for i, c in enumerate(constraints)])
23     return exactly_one_true
24
25 def extract_tuples(nested_collection):
26     tuples_at_lowest_level = []
27
28     def _extract(collection):
29         for item in collection:
30             if isinstance(item, tuple):
31                 tuples_at_lowest_level.append(item)
32             elif isinstance(item, (list, tuple)):
33                 _extract(item)
34
35     _extract(nested_collection)
36     return tuples_at_lowest_level
37
38 class Walls:
39
40     def __init__(self, puzzle):
41         self.puzzle = puzzle
42         self.r, self.c = self.puzzle.shape
43         self.d = {}
44         for i in range(self.r):
45             for j in range(self.c):
46                 if self.puzzle[i][j] != -1:
47                     self.d[(i,j)] = self.puzzle[i][j]
48
49     def accessible_cells(self, i, j, path_type="min"):
50         HR, HL, VD, VU = defaultdict(list), defaultdict(list),
51         defaultdict(list), defaultdict(list)
52         if path_type=="min":
53             d = self.puzzle[i][j]
54         else:
55             d = self.puzzle[i][j] + 1
56         for i in range(self.r):
57             for j in range(self.c):
58                 for k in range(j+1, min(self.c, j+d+1)): # search right
59                     if self.puzzle[i][k] == -1:
60                         HR[(i,j)].append((i,k))
61                     else:
62                         break
63                 for k in range(j-1, max(-1, j-d-1), -1): # search left
64                     if self.puzzle[i][k] == -1:
65                         HL[(i,j)].append((i,k))
66                     else:
67                         break
68                 for l in range(i+1, min(i+d+1, self.r)): # search down
69                     if self.puzzle[l][j] == -1:
70                         VD[(i,j)].append((l,j))
71                     else:

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71         break
72         for l in range(i-1, max(i-d-1, -1), -1): # search up
73             if self.puzzle[l][j] == -1:
74                 VU[(i,j)].append((l,j))
75             else:
76                 break
77     return HR, HL, VD, VU
78
79     def contiguous_valid_paths(self, i, j, path_type="min" ):
80         paths = []
81         HR, HL, VD, VU = self.accessible_cells(i,j, path_type)
82         if path_type=="min":
83             d = self.puzzle[i][j]
84         else:
85             d = self.puzzle[i][j] + 1
86         sets = defaultdict(list)
87         eHR = [("h",c) for c in HR[(i,j)]]
88         eHL = [("h",c) for c in HL[(i,j)]]
89         eVD = [("v",c) for c in VD[(i,j)]]
90         eVU = [("v",c) for c in VU[(i,j)]]
91         for l in [csl(e) for e in [eHR,eHL,eVU,eVD]]:
92             if l:
93                 for c in l:
94                     sets[len(c)].append(c)
95
96         for ctr in [Counter(p) for p in partitions(d)]:
97             l = []
98             for k,v in ctr.items():
99                 if len(sets[k]) >= v:
100                     l.append([list(c) for c in combinations(sets[k],v)])
101             if l:
102                 for p in product(*l):
103                     ext_tuples = extract_tuples(p)
104                     if len(set(ext_tuples))==d:
105                         paths.append(ext_tuples)
106
107         return paths
108
109     def solve(self):
110         self.solver = Solver()
111         self.h, self.v = {}, {}
112         for i in range(self.r):
113             for j in range(self.c):
114                 if self.puzzle[i][j] == -1:
115                     self.h[(i,j)] = Int('h_%d_%d'% (i,j))
116                     self.v[(i,j)] = Int('v_%d_%d'% (i,j))
117                     self.solver.add(And(self.h[(i,j)] >=0, self.h[(i,j)] <=1))
118                     self.solver.add(And(self.v[(i,j)] >=0, self.v[(i,j)] <=1))
119
120         #Constraints
121         for i in range(self.r):
122             for j in range(self.c):
123                 if self.puzzle[i][j] == -1:
124                     self.solver.add(self.h[(i,j)] + self.v[(i,j)] == 1)
125                 if self.puzzle[i][j] != -1:
126

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127         or_constraints = []
128         for path in self.contiguous_valid_paths(i,j):
129             s = 0
130             for t, c in path:
131                 if t=="h":
132                     s += self.h[c]
133                 else:
134                     s += self.v[c]
135             or_constraints.append(s == self.puzzle[i][j])
136         if or_constraints:
137             self.solver.add(Or(or_constraints))
138
139         not_constraints = []
140         for path in self.contiguous_valid_paths(i,j, "ext"):
141             s = 0
142             for t, c in path:
143                 if t=="h":
144                     s += self.h[c]
145                 else:
146                     s += self.v[c]
147             not_constraints.append(s != self.puzzle[i][j]+1)
148         if not_constraints:
149             self.solver.add(And(not_constraints))
150
151     self.sol = None
152     if self.solver.check() == sat:
153         m = self.solver.model()
154         self.sol = np.zeros((self.r, self.c), dtype=np.int8)
155         for i in range(self.r):
156             for j in range(self.c):
157                 if self.puzzle[i][j] == -1:
158                     if m[self.h[(i,j)]] == 1:
159                         self.sol[i][j] = -1
160                     else:
161                         self.sol[i][j] = -2
162                 else:
163                     self.sol[i][j] = self.puzzle[i][j]
164
165     def plot(self, cell_size=0.5, font_size=16):
166         fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(cell_size*self.c, cell_size*self.r))
167         for y in range(self.r):
168             for x in range(self.c):
169                 # Draw border for each cell
170                 ax.add_patch(plt.Rectangle((x, self.r-y-1), 1, 1, fill=False,
171                 edgecolor='black', lw=1, linestyle='--')) # <-- dotted line
172                 # Draw horizontal or vertical lines or number
173                 if self.sol[y, x] == -2:
174                     ax.plot([x+0.5, x+0.5], [self.r-y, self.r-y-1],
175                 color='black', lw=2)
176                 elif self.sol[y, x] == -1:
177                     ax.plot([x, x+1], [self.r-y-0.5, self.r-y-0.5],
178                 color='black', lw=2)
179                 else:
180                     ax.add_patch(plt.Rectangle((x, self.r-y-1), 1, 1,
181                 color='black'))

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178         ax.text(x+0.5, self.r-y-0.5, str(self.sol[y, x]),
179 color='white',
180                 ha='center', va='center', fontweight='bold',
181                 fontsize=font_size)
182
183     ax.set_xlim(0, self.c)
184     ax.set_ylim(0, self.r)
185     ax.set_aspect('equal')
186     ax.axis('off')
187     plt.tight_layout()
188     plt.show()
189
190     def plot_solution(self):
191         self.solve()
192         if self.sol is not None:
193             self.plot()
194         else:
195             print("Could not find solution!")
196
197     puzzle = np.array([
198         [-1,1,-1,-1],
199         [2,-1,-1,3],
200         [-1,-1,1,-1],
201         [-1,4,-1,-1]
202     ])
203
204     Walls(puzzle).plot_solution()

```

10.3. L-Panel - Python implementation

```

1  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2  import matplotlib.patches as patches
3  from collections import defaultdict
4  from ortools.sat.python import cp_model
5
6  class LPanel:
7      def __init__(self, matrix):
8          self.matrix = matrix
9          self.r, self.c = len(matrix), len(matrix[0])
10
11     def find_polyominoes_for_cells(self):
12         configurations = [
13             [(0, 0), (1, 0), (2, 0), (2, 1)],
14             [(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (1, 2)],
15             [(0, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1), (2, 0)],
16             [(1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (0, 0)],
17             [(1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (0, 2)],
18             [(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0), (2, 0)],
19             [(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1)],
20             [(0, 0), (1, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2)],
21         ]
22
23         polyominoes_for_cells = defaultdict(set)
24         possible_polyominoes = []
25         for i in range(self.r):

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26         for j in range(self.c):
27             for config in configurations:
28                 polyomino = [(x + i, y + j) for (x, y) in config]
29                 if all(0 <= x < self.c and 0 <= y < self.r and
self.matrix[x][y] != -1 for (x, y) in polyomino):
30                     possible_polyominoes.append(frozenset(polyomino))
31
32         for polyomino in possible_polyominoes:
33             for (i,j) in polyomino:
34                 polyominoes_for_cells[(i, j)].add(polyomino)
35
36         return polyominoes_for_cells
37
38     def visualize_polyominoes(self, polyominoes):
39         def get_adjacent_cells(x, y):
40             return [(x-1, y), (x+1, y), (x, y-1), (x, y+1)]
41
42         def are_polyominoes_adjacent(p1, p2):
43             for (x, y) in p1:
44                 for (ax, ay) in get_adjacent_cells(x, y):
45                     if (ax, ay) in p2:
46                         return True
47             return False
48
49         def get_adjacency_list(polyominoes):
50             adj_list = {}
51             for p in polyominoes:
52                 adj_list[p] = []
53                 for q in polyominoes:
54                     if p != q and are_polyominoes_adjacent(p, q):
55                         adj_list[p].append(q)
56             return adj_list
57
58         def color_polyominoes(polyominoes):
59             adj_list = get_adjacency_list(polyominoes)
60             colors = ['#779ECB', '#03C03C', '#966FD6', '#FF6961']
61             color_assignment = {}
62
63             for p in polyominoes:
64                 used_colors = {color_assignment[neighbor] for neighbor in
adj_list[p] if neighbor in color_assignment}
65                 available_colors = [color for color in colors if color not in
used_colors]
66                 color_assignment[p] = available_colors[0]
67
68             return color_assignment
69
70         fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10, 10))
71         color_assignments = color_polyominoes(polyominoes)
72
73         for p in polyominoes:
74             color = color_assignments[p]
75             for (x, y) in p:
76                 rect = patches.Rectangle((y, self.r - 1 - x), 1, 1,
facecolor=color, edgecolor='white', linewidth=0.5)

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77         ax.add_patch(rect)
78
79         for i in range(self.r):
80             for j in range(self.c):
81                 if self.matrix[i][j] == -1:
82                     ax.add_patch(patches.Rectangle((j, self.r - 1 - i), 1, 1,
facecolor='black'))
83
84         ax.set_xlim(0, self.c)
85         ax.set_ylim(0, self.r)
86         ax.set_aspect('equal', 'box')
87         plt.axis('off')
88         plt.show()
89
90     def solve(self):
91         model = cp_model.CpModel()
92         vars = {}
93         from random import random
94         for polyominoes in self.find_polyominoes_for_cells().values():
95             for poly in polyominoes:
96                 vars[poly] = model.NewIntVar(0, 1, str(random()))
97
98         for polyominoes in self.find_polyominoes_for_cells().values():
99             model.Add(sum(vars[poly] for poly in polyominoes)==1)
100
101         solver = cp_model.CpSolver()
102         status = solver.Solve(model)
103         result = []
104         if status == cp_model.OPTIMAL or status == cp_model.FEASIBLE:
105             for poly in vars.keys():
106                 if solver.Value(vars[poly]) == 1:
107                     result.append(poly)
108         return result
109
110     def visualize_result(self):
111         result = self.solve()
112         if result:
113             self.visualize_polyominoes(result)
114         else:
115             print("No Solution")
116
117     matrix = [
118         [0, -1, 0, 0, 0, -1],
119         [0, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0],
120         [-1, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0],
121         [0, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0],
122         [0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0],
123         [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1]
124     ]
125
126     matrix7 = [
127         [-1, 0, -1, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, -1, 0],
128         [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
129         [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1],
130         [-1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
131

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```

132     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1],
133     [-1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
134     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
135     [0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1],
136     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
137     [0, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0],
138 ]
139
140 matrix8 = [
141     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
142     [0, 0, -1, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0, -1],
143     [0, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0],
144     [0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
145     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
146     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0],
147     [0, 0, -1, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0],
148     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0],
149     [0, -1, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
150     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
151 ]
152
153 dp = [
154     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0],
155     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
156     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
157     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
158     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0, -1],
159     [0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
160     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
161     [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
162 ]
163
164 LPanel(dp).visualize_result()

```

10.4. Marupeke - Python implementation

```

1  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2  import matplotlib.patches as patches
3  from z3 import *
4
5  class Marupeke:
6      def __init__(self, matrix):
7          self.matrix = matrix
8          self.r, self.c = len(matrix), len(matrix[0])
9
10     def get_all_consecutive_cells(self):
11         def get_consecutive_cells(i, j):
12             directions = [
13                 [(0, 1), (0, 2)], # Horizontal to the right
14                 [(1, 0), (2, 0)], # Vertical down
15                 [(1, 1), (2, 2)], # Diagonal right-down
16                 [(1, -1), (2, -2)] # Diagonal left-down
17             ]
18
19             valid_sequences = []

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20         for direction in directions:
21             sequence = [(i, j)]
22             valid = True
23
24             for dx, dy in direction:
25                 x, y = i + dx, j + dy
26                 if 0 <= x < self.r and 0 <= y < self.c:
27                     if self.matrix[x][y] == -1:
28                         valid = False
29                         break
30                     sequence.append((x, y))
31                 else:
32                     valid = False
33                     break
34
35             if valid:
36                 valid_sequences.append(sequence)
37
38         return valid_sequences
39
40     result = {}
41     for i in range(self.r):
42         for j in range(self.c):
43             if self.matrix[i][j] != -1:
44                 sequences = get_consecutive_cells(i, j)
45                 if sequences:
46                     result[(i, j)] = sequences
47     return result
48
49 def solve(self):
50     solver = Solver()
51     v = {}
52     for i in range(self.r):
53         for j in range(self.c):
54             if self.matrix[i][j] != -1:
55                 v[(i,j)] = Int("v_%d_%d"%(i,j))
56                 solver.add(And(v[(i,j)] >=0, v[(i,j)] <=1))
57
58     and_constraints = []
59     for ind, seqs in self.get_all_consecutive_cells().items():
60         not_constraints = []
61         for cells in seqs:
62             not_constraints.append(sum(v[cell] for cell in cells)!=0)
63             not_constraints.append(sum(v[cell] for cell in cells)!=3)
64         and_constraints.append(And(not_constraints))
65     solver.add(And(and_constraints))
66
67     for i in range(self.r):
68         for j in range(self.c):
69             if self.matrix[i][j] != -1 and self.matrix[i][j] != -2:
70                 solver.add(And(v[(i,j)]==self.matrix[i][j]))
71
72     print(solver)
73     result = {}
74     if solver.check() == sat:

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75         model = solver.model()
76         for cell in v.keys():
77             result[cell] = model[v[cell]]
78     return result
79
80     def visualize_matrix(self, cell_values):
81         fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10, 10))
82         fontsize = (min(fig.get_size_inches()) * 72 // max(self.r, self.c)) *
0.5
83
84         for i in range(self.r):
85             for j in range(self.c):
86                 cell_color = 'white'
87                 # Black cell for value -1 in the matrix
88                 if self.matrix[i][j] == -1:
89                     cell_color = 'black'
90                 ax.add_patch(patches.Rectangle((j, self.r - 1 - i), 1, 1,
facecolor=cell_color, edgecolor='black', linewidth=2))
91
92                 # Visualize values from the dictionary
93                 cell_value = cell_values.get((i, j), None)
94                 if cell_value == 0:
95                     ax.text(j + 0.5, self.r - i - 0.5, '0', ha='center',
va='center', fontsize=fontsize)
96                 elif cell_value == 1:
97                     ax.text(j + 0.5, self.r - i - 0.5, 'X', ha='center',
va='center', fontsize=fontsize)
98
99                 ax.set_xlim(0, self.c)
100                ax.set_ylim(0, self.r)
101                ax.set_aspect('equal', 'box')
102                plt.axis('off')
103                plt.show()
104
105     def visualize_result(self):
106         result = self.solve()
107         if result:
108             self.visualize_matrix(result)
109         else:
110             print("No Solution.")
111
112     matrix = [
113         [-2, 1, -2, -2, -2, -2],
114         [-2, -2, -2, -1, -2, 1],
115         [0, -2, -2, -2, -2, 0],
116         [-2, -2, -1, -2, -2, -2],
117         [-1, -2, 0, -2, -2, 0],
118         [1, -2, -2, 1, -2, -2],
119     ]
120
121     matrix5 = [
122         [-2, -2, -2, -2, 1, -1, -2, -2, -2, -2],
123         [-2, -2, 1, -1, 0, -2, -1, 0, -2, -2],
124         [-2, -2, -2, -2, -1, -2, -2, -1, -2, 0],
125         [-2, -2, -1, -2, -2, -2, -1, -2, -1, 0],
126

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```

127     [0, 1, -1, -2, -2, -2, -2, -1, -2, -2],
128     [0, -2, -1, -1, 0, -2, -2, -2, -2, -1],
129     [-2, -2, 0, -1, -2, -2, 0, -2, -2, 1],
130     [-2, -1, -2, -2, -2, -1, -1, -2, -2, -2],
131     [-2, 0, -2, -2, -2, -2, -2, -2, -2, -2],
132     [-2, 1, -2, -2, -1, 0, -2, -2, 1, -2],
133 ]
134
Marupeke(matrix5).visualize_result()

```

10.5. BlockNumber - Python implementation

```

1  from z3 import *
2  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3  import networkx as nx
4  from itertools import combinations
5
6  class BlockNumber:
7      def __init__(self, blocks, rows, cols):
8          self.blocks = blocks
9          self.r, self.c = rows, cols
10
11     def solve(self):
12         solver = Solver()
13         v = {}
14         for block in self.blocks:
15             for cell, val in block.items():
16                 v[cell] = Int(str(cell))
17                 solver.add(And(v[cell] >=1, v[cell] <=len(block.keys())))
18                 if val:
19                     solver.add(v[cell] == val)
20
21         for block in self.blocks:
22             solver.add(Distinct([v[cell] for cell in block.keys()]))
23
24         def adjacent_cells(i, j):
25             directions = [(-1, 0), (-1, 1), (0, 1), (1, 1), (1, 0), (1, -1),
26 (0, -1), (-1, -1)]
27             neighbors = []
28             for dx, dy in directions:
29                 x, y = i + dx, j + dy
30                 if 0 <= x < self.r and 0 <= y < self.c:
31                     neighbors.append((x, y))
32             return neighbors
33
34         for i in range(self.r):
35             for j in range(self.c):
36                 for nc in adjacent_cells(i, j):
37                     solver.add(v[(i, j)] != v[nc])
38
39         result_blocks = []
40         if solver.check() == sat:
41             model = solver.model()
42             for block in self.blocks:
43                 result_block = {}

```

```

43         for cell in block.keys():
44             result_block[cell] = model[v[cell]]
45         result_blocks.append(result_block)
46     return result_blocks
47
48
49     def visualize_blocks(self, block_list):
50     def are_adjacent(block1, block2):
51         for (i1, j1) in block1.keys():
52             for (i2, j2) in block2.keys():
53                 if abs(i1-i2) <= 1 and abs(j1-j2) <= 1:
54                     return True
55         return False
56
57     def color_blocks(block_list):
58         G = nx.Graph()
59         for i, block in enumerate(block_list):
60             G.add_node(i)
61         for i, j in combinations(range(len(block_list)), 2):
62             if are_adjacent(block_list[i], block_list[j]):
63                 G.add_edge(i, j)
64         coloring = nx.coloring.greedy_color(G, strategy='largest_first')
65         return coloring
66
67     colors = ['#836953', '#778899', '#4B0082', '#FF4500']
68
69     coloring = color_blocks(block_list)
70     fig, ax = plt.subplots()
71
72     for idx, block in enumerate(block_list):
73         for (i, j), val in block.items():
74             color = colors[coloring[idx] % len(colors)]
75             rect = plt.Rectangle((j, i), 1, 1, facecolor=color,
76 edgecolor='black')
76             ax.add_patch(rect)
77             ax.text(j+0.5, i+0.5, str(val), ha='center', va='center',
78 color='white', fontsize=20)
79
80     ax.set_xlim(0, self.c)
81     ax.set_ylim(0, self.c)
82     ax.set_xticks(range(self.c))
83     ax.set_yticks(range(self.r))
84     ax.grid(which='both', linewidth=2)
85     ax.set_xticklabels([])
86     ax.set_yticklabels([])
87     ax.set_aspect('equal')
88     plt.gca().invert_yaxis()
89     plt.show()
90
91     def visualize_solution(self):
92     result = self.solve()
93     if result:
94         self.visualize_blocks(self.blocks)
95         self.visualize_blocks(result)
96     else:

```

```

96         print("No solution found!")
97
98     puzzle1 = [
99         {(0,0):"", (0,1):"", (0,2):""},
100        {(0,3):"", (1,2):"", (2,3):"", (1,3):""},
101        {(1,0):"", (1,1):"", (2,0):"", (3,0):1},
102        {(2,1):"", (2,2):"", (3,1):"", (3,2):"", (3,3):3},
103    ]
104
105
106    puzzle3= [
107        {(0,0):"", (0,1):"", (1,1):"", (2,1):""},
108        {(0,2):"", (1,2):""},
109        {(0,3):"", (0,4):"", (0,5):"", (0,6):"", (1,3):""},
110        {(1,0):"", (2,0):"", (3,0):"", (4,0):"", (5,0):""},
111        {(2,2):"", (2,3):"", (3,1):"", (3,2):"", (3,3):""},
112        {(1,4):"", (2,4):"", (3,4):""},
113        {(1,5):"", (1,6):"", (2,5):"", (2,6):""},
114        {(4,1):"", (4,2):"", (5,1):1, (6,0):"", (6,1):""},
115        {(4,3):"", (5,2):"", (5,3):"", (6,2):"", (6,3):""},
116        {(3,5):"", (4,4):"", (4,5):"", (5,4):"", (5,5):""},
117        {(3,6):"", (4,6):"", (5,6):"", (6,6):""},
118        {(6,4):"", (6,5):""},
119    ]
120
121    BlockNumber(puzzle3,7,7).visualize_solution()

```

10.6. Searchlights - Python implementation

```

1  import numpy as np
2  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3  from z3 import *
4
5  class Searchlights:
6      def __init__(self, puzzle):
7          self.puzzle = puzzle
8          self.r, self.c = self.puzzle.shape
9          self.d = {}
10         for i in range(self.r):
11             for j in range(self.c):
12                 if self.puzzle[i][j] != 0:
13                     self.d[(i,j)] = self.puzzle[i][j]
14
15         def accessible_cells(self, i, j):
16             cells = []
17             for k in range(j+1, self.c): # search right
18                 if self.puzzle[i][k] == 0:
19                     cells.append((i,k))
20             else:
21                 break
22             for k in range(j-1, -1, -1): # search left
23                 if self.puzzle[i][k] == 0:
24                     cells.append((i,k))
25             else:
26                 break

```

```

27     for l in range(i+1, self.r): # search down
28         if self.puzzle[l][j] == 0:
29             cells.append((l,j))
30         else:
31             break
32     for l in range(i-1, -1, -1): # search up
33         if self.puzzle[l][j] == 0:
34             cells.append((l,j))
35         else:
36             break
37     return cells
38
39     def solve(self):
40         solver = Solver()
41         v = {}
42         for i in range(self.r):
43             for j in range(self.c):
44                 if self.puzzle[i][j] == 0:
45                     v[(i,j)] = Int('v_%d_%d'%(i,j))
46                     solver.add(And(v[(i,j)] >=0, v[(i,j)] <=1))
47
48         #Constraints
49         for i in range(self.r):
50             for j in range(self.c):
51                 if self.puzzle[i][j] != 0:
52                     print(i,j,self.accessible_cells(i,j))
53                     solver.add(And(sum([v[c] for c in
self.accessible_cells(i,j)]==self.d[(i,j)]))
54
55         result = {}
56         if solver.check() == sat:
57             model = solver.model()
58             for i in range(self.r):
59                 for j in range(self.c):
60                     if self.puzzle[i][j] != 0:
61                         result[(i,j)] = self.d[(i,j)]
62                     else:
63                         if model[v[(i,j)]] == 1:
64                             result[(i,j)] = "0"
65                         else:
66                             result[(i,j)] = ""
67         return result
68
69     def visualize_grid(self, data):
70         fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(self.c, self.r))
71         for i in range(self.r):
72             for j in range(self.c):
73                 facecolor = "white" # default color
74                 textcolor = "black"
75                 text = ""
76
77                 if data[(i, j)] != "0" and data[(i, j)] != "" :
78                     facecolor = "black"
79                     textcolor = "white"
80                     text = str(data[(i, j)])

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```

81         elif data[(i, j)] == "0":
82             text = "0"
83
84             ax.add_patch(plt.Rectangle((j, i), 1, 1, facecolor=facecolor,
edgecolor='black'))
85             if text:
86                 ax.text(j + 0.5, i + 0.5, text, ha='center', va='center',
color=textcolor, fontsize=15, fontweight='bold')
87
88         ax.set_xlim(0, self.c)
89         ax.set_ylim(0, self.r)
90         ax.set_aspect('equal')
91         ax.axis('off')
92         plt.gca().invert_yaxis()
93         plt.tight_layout()
94         plt.show()
95
96     def visualize_solution(self):
97         result = self.solve()
98         if result:
99             self.visualize_grid(result)
100
101 puzzle = np.array([
102     [2,0,0,0],
103     [0,1,0,2],
104     [2,0,4,0],
105     [0,0,0,3]
106 ])
107
108 puzzle4 = np.array([
109     [0,0,3,0,0,0,0,1,0],
110     [0,2,0,0,0,4,0,0,3],
111     [2,0,0,2,0,0,2,0,0],
112     [0,0,4,0,0,0,0,2,0],
113     [0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0],
114     [0,2,0,0,0,0,4,0,0],
115     [0,0,2,0,0,1,0,0,1],
116     [4,0,0,3,0,0,0,3,0],
117     [0,3,0,0,0,0,3,0,0],
118 ])
119
120 Searchlights(puzzle4).visualize_solution()

```

10.7. Calendar Puzzle - Python Implementation

```

1 import numpy as np
2 from ortools.sat.python import cp_model
3 import svgwrite
4 import datetime
5
6
7 def polyomino_rotations(polyomino):
8     def rotate_polyomino(polyomino):
9         rot_poly = [(square[1], -square[0]) for square in polyomino]
10        min_x = min(rot_poly, key=lambda square: square[0])[0]

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11     min_y = min(rot_poly, key=lambda square: square[1])[1]
12     return [(square[0] - min_x, square[1] - min_y) for square in rot_poly]
13
14     rotations = [polyomino]
15     for i in range(3):
16         rotations.append(rotate_polyomino(rotations[-1]))
17     return rotations
18
19
20 def polyomino_reflections(polyomino):
21     def reflect_polyomino(polyomino, axis="x"):
22         ref_poly = []
23         for x, y in polyomino:
24             if axis == "x":
25                 ref_poly.append((x, -y))
26             else:
27                 ref_poly.append((-x, y))
28         min_x = min(ref_poly, key=lambda square: square[0])[0]
29         min_y = min(ref_poly, key=lambda square: square[1])[1]
30         return [(square[0] - min_x, square[1] - min_y) for square in ref_poly]
31
32     return [reflect_polyomino(polyomino, "x"), reflect_polyomino(polyomino,
33 "y")]
34
35 def polyomino_translations(polyomino, h=6, w=6):
36     translations = []
37     for x in range(0, h+1):
38         for y in range(0, w+1):
39             trans_poly = [(square[0] + x, square[1] + y) for square in
polyomino]
40             max_x = max(trans_poly, key=lambda square: square[0])[0]
41             max_y = max(trans_poly, key=lambda square: square[1])[1]
42             if max_x <= h and max_y <= w:
43                 translations.append(trans_poly)
44     return translations
45
46
47 def polyomino_matrix(polyomino, h=6, w=6):
48     poly_mat = np.zeros((h + 1, w + 1), dtype=int)
49     for coords in polyomino:
50         poly_mat[coords[0], coords[1]] = 1
51     return poly_mat
52
53
54 def date_matrix(month, day):
55     month_coords = {
56         "Jan": (0, 0),
57         "Feb": (0, 1),
58         "Mar": (0, 2),
59         "Apr": (0, 3),
60         "May": (0, 4),
61         "Jun": (0, 5),
62         "Jul": (1, 0),
63         "Aug": (1, 1),

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64     "Sep": (1, 2),
65     "Oct": (1, 3),
66     "Nov": (1, 4),
67     "Dec": (1, 5),
68 }
69
70 day_coords = {}
71 for i in range(1, 32):
72     if i % 7:
73         day_coords[i] = (2 + i // 7, i % 7 - 1)
74     else:
75         day_coords[i] = (1 + i // 7, 6)
76
77 month_c, day_c = month_coords[month], day_coords[day]
78 board_mat = np.ones((7, 7), dtype=int)
79 board_mat[0, 6] = 0
80 board_mat[1, 6] = 0
81 board_mat[6, 3:] = 0
82 board_mat[day_c[0], day_c[1]] = 0
83 board_mat[month_c[0], month_c[1]] = 0
84 return board_mat
85
86
87 polyominoes = [
88     [(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (1, 2), (0, 3)],
89     [(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (1, 2), (2, 2)],
90     [(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0), (2, 0), (2, 1)],
91     [(0, 2), (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 0)],
92     [(0, 0), (1, 0), (2, 0), (0, 1), (1, 1), (2, 1)],
93     [(0, 0), (1, 0), (2, 0), (2, 1), (3, 1)],
94     [(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (0, 3), (1, 0)],
95     [(0, 1), (1, 0), (1, 1), (2, 0), (2, 1)],
96 ]
97
98
99 def solve_puzzle(puzzle_matrix):
100     model = cp_model.CpModel()
101     all_variables, var_matrix_map = [], {}
102     i = 0
103     for polyomino in polyominoes:
104         row_variables, polyomino_matrices = [], []
105         orientations = polyomino_rotations(polyomino) +
polyomino_reflections(polyomino)
106         for orientation in orientations:
107             translations = polyomino_translations(orientation)
108             for elem in translations:
109                 i += 1
110                 mat = polyomino_matrix(elem)
111                 polyomino_matrices.append(mat)
112                 var = model.NewBoolVar(f"x_{i}")
113                 row_variables.append(var)
114                 var_matrix_map[var] = mat
115             all_variables.append(row_variables)
116
117     for row in all_variables:
118

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119     s = 0
120     for var in row:
121         s += var
122     model.Add(s == 1)
123
124     for i in range(puzzle_matrix.shape[0]):
125         for j in range(puzzle_matrix.shape[1]):
126             s = 0
127             for var, mat in var_matrix_map.items():
128                 s += var * mat[i, j]
129             model.Add(s == puzzle_matrix[i, j])
130
131     solver = cp_model.CpSolver()
132     status = solver.Solve(model)
133     if status == cp_model.OPTIMAL or status == cp_model.FEASIBLE:
134         return (solver, all_variables, var_matrix_map)
135     else:
136         print(solver.StatusName(status))
137         return (None, None, None)
138
139
140 def create_svg(color_polyomino_map, filename):
141     square_size = 50
142     padding = 10
143     image_size = (7 * square_size + 6 * padding, 7 * square_size + 6 * padding)
144     dwg = svgwrite.Drawing(filename, size=image_size)
145     group = dwg.add(dwg.g())
146     for color, mat in color_polyomino_map.items():
147         for i in range(mat.shape[0]):
148             for j in range(mat.shape[1]):
149                 if mat[i, j] == 1:
150                     group.add(
151                         dwg.rect(
152                             padding)),
153                             (square_size, square_size),
154                             fill=svgwrite.rgb(*color),
155                         )
156                     )
157     dwg.save()
158
159
160 colors = [
161     (141, 198, 63), # Light green
162     (179, 153, 255), # Lavender
163     (246, 178, 107), # Light peach
164     (128, 223, 255), # Light blue
165     (243, 234, 90), # Light yellow
166     (251, 117, 89), # Coral
167     (150, 199, 237), # Sky blue
168     (227, 147, 186), # Light pink
169 ]
170
171
172 def render_puzzle_solution(month, date, filename):

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173 puzzle_matrix = date_matrix(month, date)
174 color_polyomino_map = {}
175 solver, all_variables, var_matrix_map = solve_puzzle(puzzle_matrix)
176 if solver:
177     for col, row in zip(colors, all_variables):
178         for var in row:
179             if solver.Value(var) == 1:
180                 color_polyomino_map[col] = var_matrix_map[var]
181         create_svg(color_polyomino_map, filename)
182
183
184 def render_puzzle_solutions_year():
185     date_list = []
186     for month in range(1, 4):
187         for day in range(1, 32):
188             try:
189                 date = datetime.datetime(year=2023, month=month, day=day)
190                 month_string = date.strftime("%b")
191                 date_list.append((month_string, day))
192             except ValueError:
193                 pass
194
195     try:
196         render_puzzle_solution(month, date, month + str(date) + ".svg")
197     except:
198         print("No solution found for", month, date)
199
200 def render_puzzle_solutions_date(month, date):
201     render_puzzle_solution(month, date, month + str(date) + ".svg")
202
203
204 render_puzzle_solutions_date("Feb", 29)

```

11. Instant Insanity

Instant Insanity is a puzzle consisting of four cubes. Each of the six faces of each cube is coloured with one of four colours: Blue, Green, Red, or White. The goal is to stack the four cubes on top of each other such that each colour appears exactly once on each of the four sides of the resulting tower. Here is a sample configuration of the cubes in the puzzle:

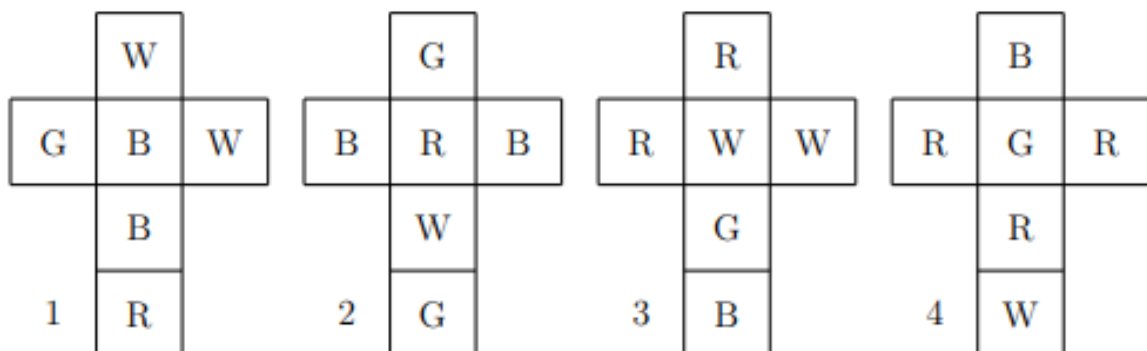


Figure 20: Example configuration of the cubes

11.1. Solution

The brute force approach is straightforward and can be extended to 5 cubes as well.

We generate all possible orientations of each cube. There are 24 orientations as the front face could be selected in 6 ways and for each selection of the front face, you have 4 ways of choosing the top face.

Generate all possible stacks of four cubes where each cube is in one of the 24 orientations.

Check if the colours on the faces making up the front, back, left and right sides of the stack are all different.

The code below gives us the following solution for the puzzle above:

Cube	Front	Back	Left	Right
1	B	W	B	R
2	W	G	R	G
3	G	R	W	B
4	R	B	G	W

The solution to the puzzle given in 1.1

11.1.1. Python Code

```

from enum import Enum
import numpy as np
from itertools import product

class Col(Enum):
    R = 1
    G = 2
    B = 3
    W = 5

cubes = [(Col.G, Col.W), (Col.B, Col.W), (Col.B, Col.R)],
         [(Col.B, Col.B), (Col.G, Col.W), (Col.R, Col.G)],
         [(Col.R, Col.W), (Col.R, Col.G), (Col.B, Col.W)],
         [(Col.R, Col.R), (Col.G, Col.W), (Col.B, Col.R)]

def cube_syms(cube):
    (a,b),(c,d),(e,f) = cube
    return np.array([
        [a, b, c, d, e, f],[a, b, e, f, d, c],[a, b, d, c, f, e],[a, b, f, e, c, d],
        [b, a, d, c, e, f],[b, a, e, f, c, d],[b, a, c, d, f, e],[b, a, f, e, d, c],
        [c, d, b, a, e, f],[c, d, a, b, f, e],[c, d, e, f, a, b],[c, d, f, e, b, a],
        [d, c, a, b, e, f],[d, c, e, f, b, a],[d, c, b, a, f, e],[d, c, f, e, a, b],
        [e, f, a, b, c, d],[e, f, c, d, b, a],[e, f, b, a, d, c],[e, f, d, c, a, b],
        [f, e, d, c, b, a],[f, e, b, a, c, d],[f, e, c, d, a, b],[f, e, a, b, d, c]])

def solution(cubes):
    n = len(cubes)
    for cubes in product(*[cube_syms(c) for c in cubes]):
        stack = np.vstack(list(cubes))
        f, b, l, r = [stack[:,i] for i in range(n)]

```

```

if len(set(f))== len(set(b))==len(set(l))==len(set(r))==n:
    return (f,b,l,r)

def pretty_print(sol):
    print('Cube', 'F','B', 'L','R')
    for i, (f,l,b,r) in enumerate(zip(*sol)):
        print(f'{i+1} ', f.name, l.name, b.name, r.name)

pretty_print(solution(cubes))

```

12. Drive Ya Nuts

Remove the hexagonal pieces from the pegs and then try to put them back so that the numbers on all edges match.



Figure 21: Instant Insanity

12.1. Solution

The numbering scheme of each nut starts with 1 and proceeds in the **anti-clockwise** direction as given below:

1. 1 6 5 4 3 2
2. 1 4 3 6 5 2
3. 1 6 4 2 5 3
4. 1 6 2 4 5 3
5. 1 6 5 3 2 4
6. 1 4 6 2 3 5
7. 1 2 3 4 5 6

The algorithm proceeds as follows:

Choose one of the seven rings as the central ring.

Choose one permutation of the other 6 rings from 6! permutations.

For each of the six rings in the above permutation, generate all possible rotations i.e. 6 rotations.

Check if numbers match along the aligned edges of the rings. If the 7 rings and their edges are labelled as shown in the diagram below, then the following constraints must be satisfied:

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_2a &= r_1a \vee r_2f = r_3b \vee r_2b = r_7f \vee \\
 r_3a &= r_1b \vee r_3f = r_4b \vee r_1c = r_4a \vee \\
 r_4f &= r_5b \vee r_1d = r_5a \vee r_5f = r_6b \vee \\
 r_6a &= r_1e \vee r_6f = r_7b \vee r_7a = r_1f
 \end{aligned}$$

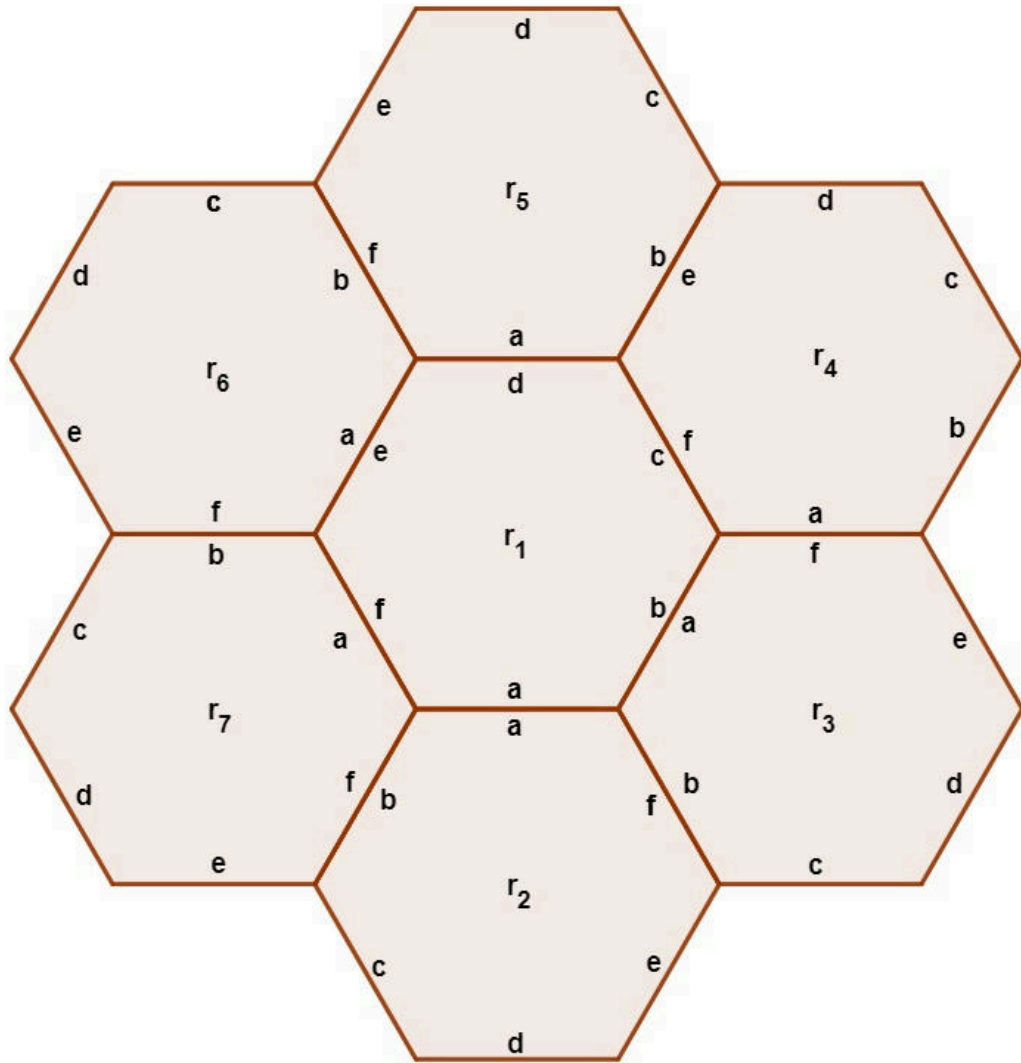


Figure 22: Configuration State

The code below gives the following solution:

Ring	a	b	c	d	e	f
r_1	1	6	2	4	5	3
r_2	1	4	6	2	3	5
r_3	6	5	3	2	4	1
r_4	2	1	4	3	6	5
r_5	4	5	6	1	2	3
r_6	5	3	1	6	4	2
r_7	3	2	1	6	5	4

The solution to the puzzle

12.1.1. Python Code

```

from itertools import permutations, product
from numpy import array, roll

rings = {'A':[1, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2],
         'B':[1, 4, 3, 6, 5, 2],
         'C':[1, 6, 4, 2, 5, 3],
         'D':[1, 6, 2, 4, 5, 3],
         'E':[1, 6, 5, 3, 2, 4],
         'F':[1, 4, 6, 2, 3, 5],
         'G':[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]}

def rotations(ring):
    rot, rots = array(ring), []
    for i in range(6):
        rots.append(roll(rot, i))
    return rots

def solution(rings):
    for r1k, r1v in rings.items():
        r1a, r1b, r1c, r1d, r1e, r1f = r1v
        for perm in permutations(list(set(rings.keys())-set([r1k]))):
            for (r2, r3, r4, r5, r6, r7) in product(*[rotations(rings[r]) for r in
perm]):
                r2a, r2b, _, _, _, r2f = r2
                r3a, r3b, _, _, _, r3f = r3
                r4a, r4b, _, _, _, r4f = r4
                r5a, r5b, _, _, _, r5f = r5
                r6a, r6b, _, _, _, r6f = r6
                r7a, r7b, _, _, _, r7f = r7
                if r2a == r1a and r2f == r3b and r2b == r7f and \
                    r3a == r1b and r3f == r4b and r1c == r4a and \
                    r4f == r5b and r1d == r5a and r5f == r6b and \
                    r6a == r1e and r6f == r7b and r7a == r1f:
                    return (r1,r2,r3,r4,r5,r6,r7)

print(solution(rings))

```

13. Squares Sudoku

In addition to the normal Sudoku rules, there is one additional rule for a Squares Sudoku puzzle - sum of the numbers in each **“cage”** should be a perfect square. Here is a hard Squares Sudoku puzzle:

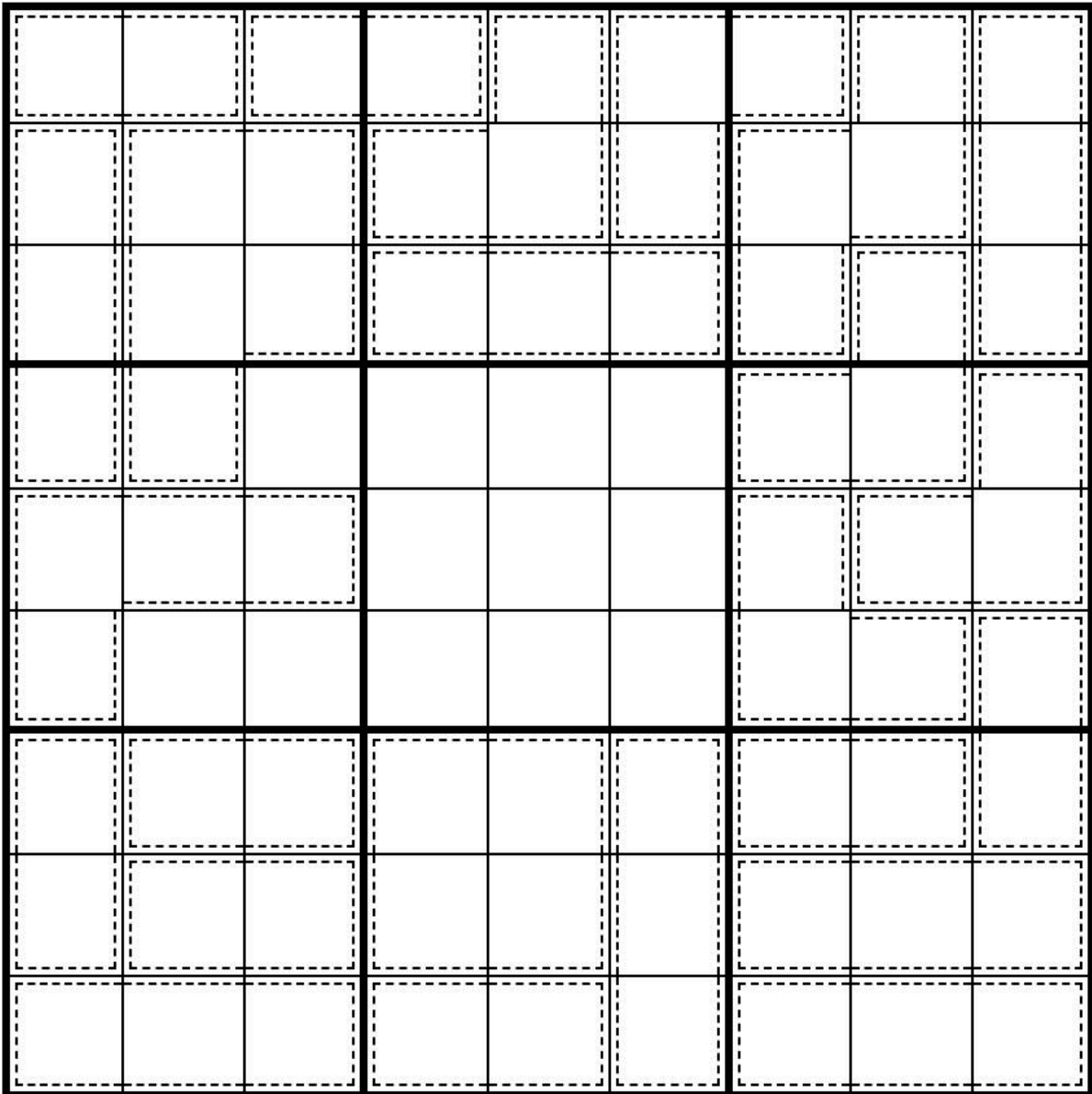


Figure 23:

13.1.1. Solution using Z3

```
from z3 import Solver, And, Int, Distinct, sat, If, Or
```

```
puzzle = [
    [(0,0), (0,1)],
    [(0,2), (0,3)],
    [(0,4), (1,3), (1,4)],
    [(0,5), (1,5), (0,6)],
    [(0,7), (1,7), (1,6), (2,6)],
    [(0,8), (1,8), (2,8)],
    [(1,0), (2,0), (3,0)],
    [(1,1), (2,1), (3,1), (1,2), (2,2)],
    [(2,3), (2,4), (2,5)],
    [(3,6), (3,7), (2,7)],
    [(4,0), (4,1), (4,2), (5,0)],
    [(4,6), (5,6), (5,7)],
    [(4,7), (4,8), (3,8)],
```

```

[(5,8),(6,8)],
[(6,0),(7,0)],
[(6,1),(6,2)],
[(6,3),(6,4),(7,3),(7,4)],
[(6,5),(7,5),(8,5)],
[(6,6),(6,7)],
[(7,1),(7,2)],
[(7,6),(7,7),(7,8)],
[(8,0),(8,1),(8,2)],
[(8,3),(8,4)],
[(8,6),(8,7),(8,8)],
]

def print_grid(mod, x, rows, cols):
    for i in range(rows):
        print(" ".join([str(mod.eval(x[i][j])) for j in range(cols)]))

def solveSudoku(puzzle, n):
    X = [[Int("x_{}_s_{}".format(i+1, j+1)) for j in range(n)] for i in range(n)]

    # each cell contains a value in {1, ..., n}
    cells_c = [And(1 <= X[i][j], X[i][j] <= n) for i in range(n)
               for j in range(n)]

    # each row contains a digit at most once
    rows_c = [Distinct(X[i]) for i in range(n)]

    # each column contains a digit at most once
    cols_c = [Distinct([X[i][j] for i in range(n)]) for j in range(n)]

    # each 3x3 square contains a digit at most once
    sq_c = [Distinct([ X[3*i0 + i][3*j0 + j]
                       for i in range(3) for j in range(3) ])
            for i0 in range(3) for j0 in range(3) ]

    # sum of numbers in each cage is a square
    puzz_c = []
    for cage in puzzle:
        cs = sum([X[i][j] for i,j in cage])
        puzz_c.append(Or([(cs==k) for k in [4, 9, 16, 25]]))

    sudoku_c = cells_c + rows_c + cols_c + [And(puzz_c)] + sq_c

    s = Solver()
    s.add(sudoku_c)
    if s.check() == sat:
        m = s.model()
        print("Here is the solution")
        print_grid(m, X, n, n)
    else:
        print("Failed to solve the puzzle")

solveSudoku(puzzle, 9)

```

Here is the solution:

6 3 4 5 9 1 8 7 2
 8 2 1 3 4 5 7 9 6
 5 7 9 8 2 6 4 3 1
 3 6 7 2 1 8 9 4 5
 1 9 2 7 5 4 6 8 3
 4 5 8 9 6 3 1 2 7
 7 4 5 6 8 2 3 1 9
 9 1 3 4 7 5 2 6 8
 2 8 6 1 3 9 7 5 4

14. Calcudoku

Calcudoku is just like Sudoku - you must enter numbers into a grid in such a way so that no number is repeated in any row or column. But Calcudoku puzzles have an added mathematical component! Each grid is split up into smaller sections of 2 or more squares, and each of those sections has an arithmetic equation attached to it (either addition, subtraction, multiplication or division). You must complete the grid so that the numbers in each section equal the mathematical formula assigned to it. Here is a hard Calcudoku puzzle

21+			60×			25+		
	6-		11+		4-	13+		
	8+	8		2		9	11+	
24+		13+		25+	3-			17+
		2				3		
	1-	13+			1-		11+	
26+		1	16×	6	12+	7		25+
	1-			378×		3×		

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Figure 24:

14.1.1. Solution using Z3

```
from z3 import Solver, And, Int, Distinct, sat, If
from functools import reduce
import operator

def Max(x):
```

```

    return reduce(lambda a, b: If(a > b, a, b), x)

def cd_div(v, *x):
    m = Max(x)
    m /= reduce(operator.mul, (If(i != m, i, 1) for i in x))
    return m == v

def cd_sub(v, *x):
    m = Max(x)
    m -= sum(If(i != m, i, 0) for i in x)
    return m == v

def print_grid(mod, x, rows, cols):
    for i in range(rows):
        print(" ".join([str(mod.eval(x[i][j])) for j in range(cols)]))

# This is the encoding of the puzzle
def hardest_calculudoku(X):
    return [
        X[0][0] + X[0][1] + X[0][2] + X[1][0] + X[2][0] == 21,
        X[0][3] * X[0][4] * X[0][5] * X[1][4] == 60,
        X[0][6] + X[0][7] + X[0][8] + X[1][8] + X[2][8] == 25,
        cd_sub(6, X[1][1], X[1][2]),
        X[1][3] + X[2][3] == 11,
        cd_sub(4, X[1][5], X[2][5]),
        X[1][6] + X[1][7] == 13,
        X[2][1] + X[3][1] == 8,
        X[2][2] == 8,
        X[2][4] == 2,
        X[2][6] == 9,
        X[2][7] + X[3][7] == 11,
        X[3][0] + X[4][0] + X[5][0] + X[4][1] == 24,
        X[3][2] + X[3][3] == 13,
        X[3][4] + X[4][4] + X[5][4] + X[4][5] + X[4][3] == 25,
        cd_sub(3, X[3][5], X[3][6]),
        X[3][8] + X[4][8] + X[5][8] + X[4][7] == 17,
        X[4][2] == 2,
        X[4][6] == 3,
        cd_sub(1, X[5][1], X[6][1]),
        X[5][2] + X[5][3] == 13,
        cd_sub(1, X[5][5], X[5][6]),
        X[5][7] + X[6][7] == 11,
        X[6][0] + X[7][0] + X[8][0] + X[8][1] + X[8][2] == 26,
        X[6][2] == 1,
        X[6][3] * X[7][3] == 16,
        X[6][4] == 6,
        X[6][5] + X[7][5] == 12,
        X[6][6] == 7,
        X[6][8] + X[7][8] + X[8][8] + X[8][7] + X[8][6] == 25,
        cd_sub(1, X[7][1], X[7][2]),
        X[7][4] * X[8][4] * X[8][3] * X[8][5] == 378,
        X[7][6] * X[7][7] == 3,
    ]

def solveCalculudoku(puzzle, n):
    X = [[Int("x_%s_%s" % (i+1, j+1)) for j in range(n)] for i in range(n)]

```

```

# each cell contains a value in {1, ..., 9}
cells_c = [And(1 <= X[i][j], X[i][j] <= n) for i in range(n)
           for j in range(n)]

# each row contains a digit at most once
rows_c = [Distinct(X[i]) for i in range(n)]

# each column contains a digit at most once
cols_c = [Distinct([X[i][j] for i in range(n)]) for j in range(n)]

calculudoku_c = cells_c + rows_c + cols_c + list(map(And, puzzle(X)))

s = Solver()
s.add(calculudoku_c)
if s.check() == sat:
    m = s.model()
    print("Here is the solution")
    print_grid(m, X, n, n)
else:
    print("Failed to solve the puzzle")

solveCalculudoku(hardest_calculudoku, 9)

```

14.1.2. Solution

Here is the solution

```

9 2 7 3 5 1 4 6 8
2 9 3 6 4 7 5 8 1
1 7 8 5 2 3 9 4 6
6 1 9 4 8 5 2 7 3
7 8 2 1 9 6 3 5 4
3 4 6 7 1 9 8 2 5
5 3 1 8 6 4 7 9 2
4 6 5 2 7 8 1 3 9
8 5 4 9 3 2 6 1 7

```

15. Unusual Crossword

Here is an unusual crossword based on the first 30 digits of π .

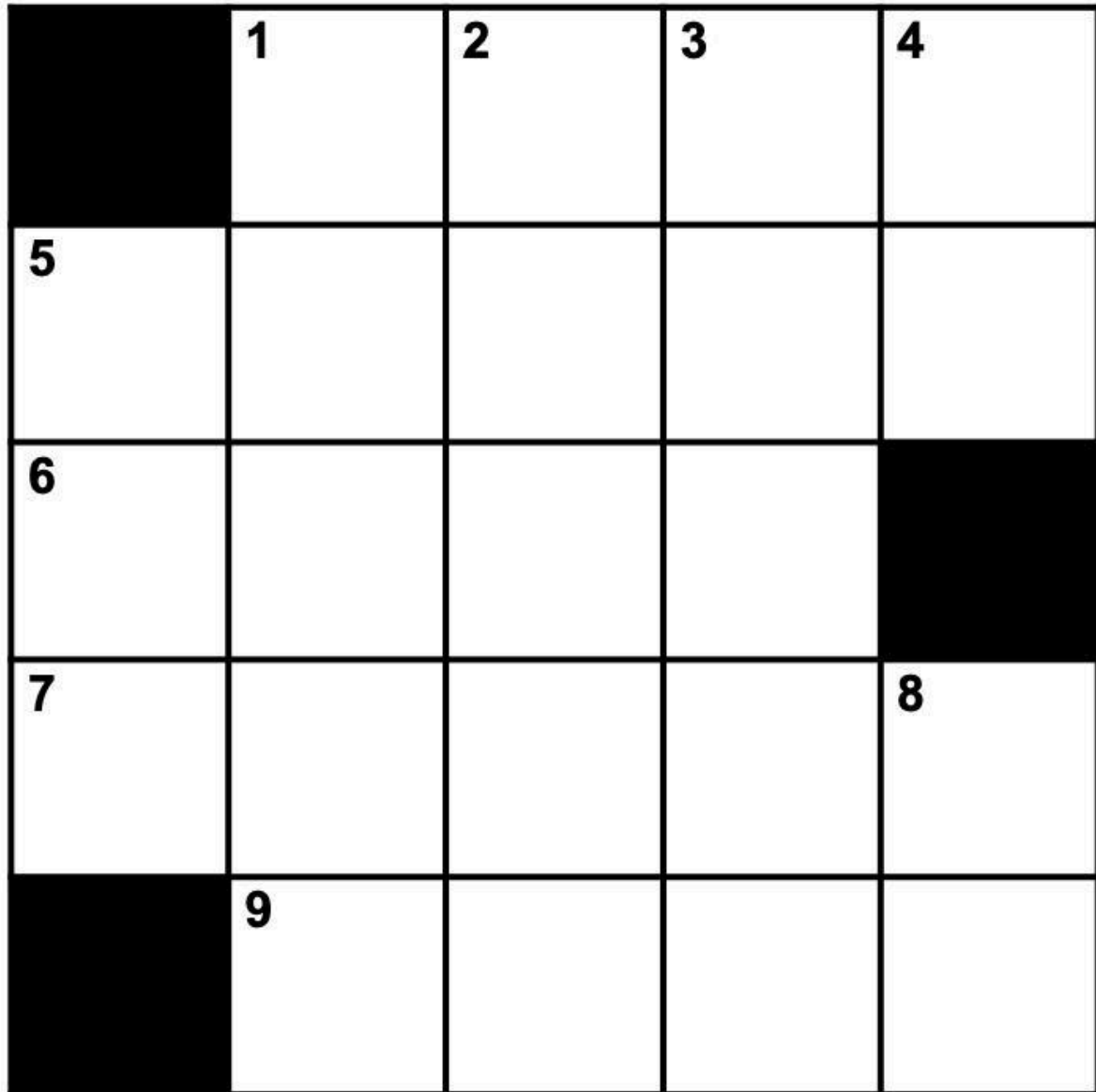


Figure 25: The Pi Crossword

15.1.1. ACROSS

1. A contiguous subsequence of digits from

3. 14159265358979323846264338328

distinct from all the other answers (ignore the decimal point).

5. Same clue as above.

6. Same clue as above.

7. Same clue as above.

9. Same clue as above.

15.1.2. DOWN

1. Same clue as above.

2. Same clue as above.

3.Same clue as above.

4.Same clue as above.

5.Same clue as above.

8.Same clue as above.

Source. Composed by Johan de Ruiter for Pi Day, March 14, 2021;

15.1.3. Python Code

Here is the code for solving the puzzle:

```
from itertools import product
pi30 = "314159265358979323846264338328"
ss = {}
for l in range(2, 6):
    ss[l] = [pi30[i:i+l] for i in range(0,30-l+1)]

for a1,a5,a6,a7,a9 in product(*[ss[4],ss[5],ss[4],ss[5],ss[4]]):
    d1 = "".join([a1[0],a5[1],a6[1],a7[1],a9[0]])
    d2 = "".join([a1[1],a5[2],a6[2],a7[2],a9[1]])
    d3 = "".join([a1[2],a5[3],a6[3],a7[3],a9[2]])
    d5 = "".join([a5[0],a6[0],a7[0]])
    d8 = "".join([a1[3],a5[4]])
    d9 = "".join([a7[4],a9[3]])
    if a1 != a6 and a6 != a9 and a1 != a9 and a5 != a7 and \
        d1 != d2 and d1 != d3 and d2 != d3 and \
        d1 != a5 and d1 != a7 and \
        d2 != a5 and d2 != a7 and \
        d3 != a5 and d3 != a7 and \
        d8 != d9 and \
        d5 in ss[3] and \
        d1 in ss[5] and \
        d2 in ss[5] and \
        d3 in ss[5] and \
        d8 in ss[2] and \
        d9 in ss[2]:
        print("x" + a1)
        print(a5)
        print(a6 + "x")
        print(a7)
        print("x"+a9)
```

Here is the solution:

```
x 2 6 4 3
2 6 5 3 5
6 4 3 3 x
5 3 5 8 9
x 3 8 3 2
```

16. The Riddle of the Pilgrims

The Canterbury Puzzles is a delightful collection of posers based on the exploits of the same group of pilgrims introduced by Geoffrey Chaucer in The Canterbury Tales. The anthology was compiled by the English puzzlist Henry Ernest Dudeney and first published in 1907. All the puzzles are mathematical in nature and many of them may be used to illustrate O.R. techniques. The following

riddle, taken from the chapter entitled 'The Merry Monks of Riddlewell' is a classical I.P. allocation problem.

> One day, when the monks were seated at their repast, the Abbot announced that a messenger had that morning brought news that a number of pilgrims were on the road and would require their hospitality. "You will put them," he said, "in the square dormitory that has two floors with eight rooms on each floor. There must be eleven persons sleeping on each side of the building, and twice as many on the upper floor as the lower floor. Of course every room must be occupied, and you know my rule that not more than three persons may occupy the same room." I give a plan of the two floors, from which it will be seen that the sixteen rooms are approached by a well staircase in the centre. After the monks had solved this little problem of accommodation, the pilgrims arrived, when it was found that they were three more in number than was at first stated. This necessitated a reconsideration of the question, but the wily monks succeeded in getting over the new difficulty without breaking the Abbot's rules. The curious point of this puzzle is to discover the total number of pilgrims.

PLAN OF DORMITORY.

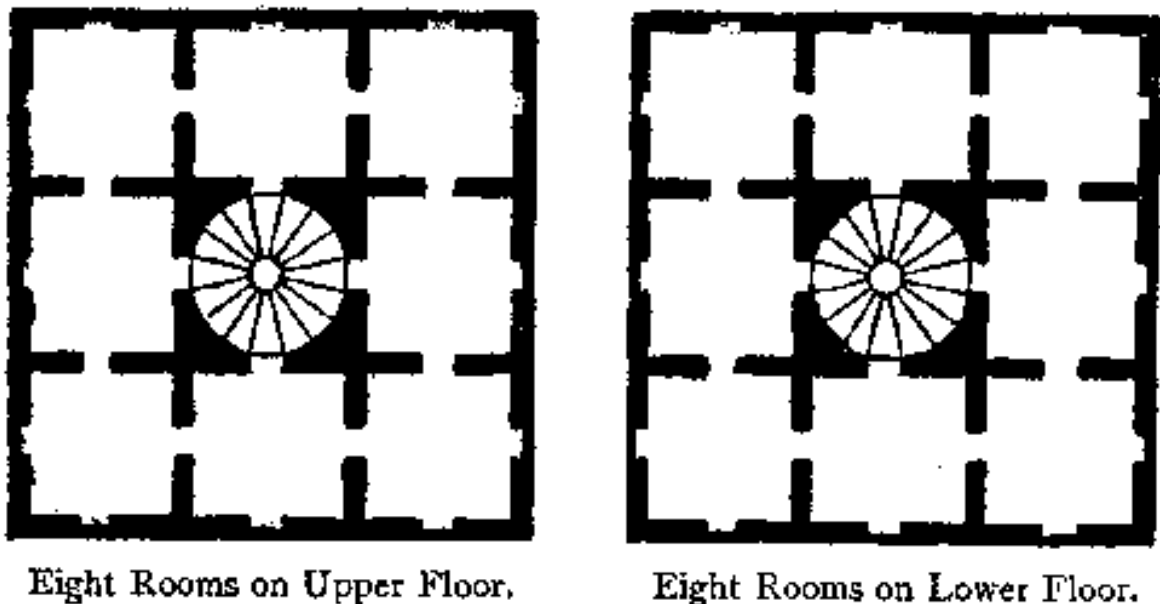


Figure 26:

16.1. Model

The monks were required to perform two allocations of pilgrims each fulfilling the Abbot's requirements and with a difference of three pilgrims in total between each allocation. On their behalf, we therefore define variables as follows

$$X_{ijkm} \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \text{ for } i = 1 \dots n, j = 1 \dots f, k = 1 \dots r, m = 1 \dots o$$

where $n = 2$ (allocations), $f = 2$ (floors), $r = 3$ (rows) and $c = 3$ (columns).

Maximize/minimize the number of pilgrims in the final allocation. This is to demonstrate that the solution to the puzzle is unique.

$$\max \sum_{j=1}^f \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{m=1}^c X_{2jkm}$$

1. Three more pilgrims in final allocation than in initial allocation

$$\sum_{j=1}^f \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{m=1}^c X_{1jkm} + 3 = \sum_{j=1}^f \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{m=1}^c X_{2jkm}$$

2. Twice as many pilgrims on upper floor than lower floor in both allocations

$$2 \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{m=1}^c X_{i1km} = \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{m=1}^c X_{i2km}, \text{ for } i = 1 \dots n$$

3. Eleven pilgrims in first and third rows (i.e. front and back sides)

$$\sum_{j=1}^f \sum_{m=1}^c X_{ijkm} = 11, \text{ for } i = 1 \dots n, k = 1 \dots r, k \neq 2$$

4. Eleven pilgrims in first and third columns (i.e. left and right sides)

$$\sum_{j=1}^f \sum_{k=1}^r X_{ijkm} = 11, \text{ for } i = 1 \dots n, m = 1 \dots c, m \neq 2$$

5. Each room is atleast occupied by at least one and no more than three pilgrims

$$1 \leq X_{ijkm} \leq 3, \text{ for } i = 1 \dots n, j = 1 \dots f, k = 1 \dots r, m = 1 \dots c, k \neq 2 \vee m \neq 2$$

6. No pilgrims allocated to the center cells (i.e. well stair case)

$$X_{ij22} = 0, \text{ for } i = 1 \dots n, j = 1 \dots f$$

16.1.1. Solution using Google OR-Tools

The Python code for solving the puzzle using Google OR-Tools library is given below:

```
from ortools.linear_solver import pywraplp

def riddle_of_pilgrims():
    n, f, r, c = 2, 2, 3, 3
    solver = pywraplp.Solver.CreateSolver('SCIP')
    x = {(i,j,k,m): solver.IntVar(0, 3, 'x[%i][%i][%i][%i]' % (i,j,k,m))
         for m in range(c) for k in range(r)
         for j in range(f) for i in range(n)}

    solver.Add(sum([x[(0,j,k,m)] for j in range(f)
                    for k in range(r) for m in range(c)] + 3 ==
                 sum([x[(1,j,k,m)] for j in range(f)
                    for k in range(r) for m in range(c)]))

    for i in range(n):
        solver.Add(2*sum([x[(i,0,k,m)] for k in range(r) for m in range(c)] ==
                        sum([x[(i,1,k,m)] for k in range(r) for m in range(c)]))

    for i in range(n):
        for k in set(range(r)) - {1}:

```

```

solver.Add(sum([x[(i,j,k,m)] for j in range(f) for m in range(c)]) == 11)

for i in range(n):
    for m in set(range(c)) - {1}:
        solver.Add(sum([x[(i,j,k,m)] for j in range(f) for k in range(r)]) == 11)

for i in range(n):
    for j in range(f):
        for k in set(range(c)):
            for m in set(range(c)):
                if (k,m) != (1,1):
                    solver.Add(x[(i,j,k,m)] >= 1)
                    solver.Add(x[(i,j,k,m)] <= 3)

for i in range(n):
    for j in range(f):
        solver.Add(x[(i,j, 1, 1)] == 0)

solver.Minimize(sum([x[(1,j,k,m)] for j in range(f)
                    for k in range(r) for m in range(c)]))

status = solver.Solve()
if status == pywraplp.Solver.OPTIMAL:
    return solver.Objective().Value()
else:
    return -1

print(riddle_of_pilgrims())

```

Using the code above, we see that the total number of pilgrims is **30**.

17. The Langford Problem

In combinatorial mathematics, a **Langford pairing**, also called a **Langford sequence**, is a permutation of the sequence of $2n$ numbers $1, 1, 2, 2, \dots, n, n$ in which the two 1s are one unit apart, the two 2s are two units apart, and more generally the two copies of each number k are k units apart. Langford pairings are named after C. Dudley Langford, who posed the problem of constructing them in 1958. **Langford's problem** is the task of finding Langford pairings $L(n)$ for a given value of n .

17.1. Beautiful analytical solution

For the positive cases ($n = 4k$ or $4k + 3$) an algorithm for calculating the sequence can be found [here](<https://susam.in/blog/langford-pairing.html>). This beautiful algorithm was discovered by Roy Davies in 1959.

Here are the details, where R denotes the reversal of a sequence.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \text{Ceiling}[n/4] \\
 \{a, b, c, d\} &= \{2x - 1, 4x - 2, 4x - 1, 4x\} \\
 p &= \text{odds in } [1, a - 1] \\
 q &= \text{evens in } [2, a - 1] \\
 r &= \text{odds in } [a + 2, b - 1] \\
 s &= \text{evens in } [a + 1, b - 1]
 \end{aligned}$$

If 4 divides n , the sequence is $\{R[s], R[p], b, p, c, s, d, R[r], R[q], b, a, q, c, r, a, d\}$.

If $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, it is $\{R[s], R[p], b, p, c, s, a, R[r], R[q], b, a, q, c, r\}$.

The Python code implementing the above algorithm is given below

```
from math import ceil

def R(l):
    return list(reversed(l))

def langford_davies(n):
    x = ceil(n/4)
    a, b, c, d = 2*x-1, 4*x-2, 4*x-1, 4*x
    p = [i for i in range(1, a) if i % 2==1]
    q = [i for i in range(2, a) if i % 2==0]
    r = [i for i in range(a+2, b) if i % 2==1]
    s = [i for i in range(a+1, b) if i % 2==0]
    if n%4 == 0:
        return R(s) + R(p) + [b] + p + [c] + s + [d] + R(r) + R(q) + [b,a] + q + [c]
    + r + [a, d]
    if n%4 == 3:
        return R(s) + R(p) + [b] + p + [c] + s + [a] + R(r) + R(q) + [b,a] + q + [c]
    + r
    return None
```

17.2. Model using Integer Programming

Another way to solve the Langford problem is to treat it as a set covering problem. To visualize this we make use of the following array for $L(3)$:

-	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1		1			
2		1		1		
3			1		1	
4				1		1
5	2			2		
6		2			2	
7			2			2
8	3				3	
9		3				3

To solve the problem, we need to select one row for the 1's in the sequence, one row for the 2's and one row for the 3's, such that if we stack these rows on top of each other, no column contains more than one number.

In case of $L(n)$ it is easy to see that the number of columns in the matrix will be $2n$ and the number of rows will be $r = 2n - 2 + \dots + n - 1$. Let $\{x_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq r\}$ be the set of decision variables, one for each row in the matrix such that $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$. We have the following constraints:

1. We choose only 1 row among all rows containing the number k in

the matrix where $1 \leq k \leq n$. 2. For each column, we choose only 1 row among all rows containing non zero values.

17.2.1. Solution using Google-OR Tools

The Python code implementing the above model using the Google **OR-Tools** library is given below:

```
from ortools.linear_solver import pywraplp

def langford_ip(n):
    solver = pywraplp.Solver.CreateSolver('SCIP')

    n_rows, n_cols = sum(range(n-1, 2*n-1)), 2*n
    matrix = [[0 for j in range(n_cols)] for i in range(n_rows)]
    out = [0 for i in range(n_cols)]

    # setting up the covering matrix
    j = 0
    for i in range(n):
        for k in range(2*n-i-2):
            matrix[j][k] = i + 1
            matrix[j][k+i+2] = i + 1
            j += 1

    x = [solver.IntVar(0, 1, 'x[%i]' % j) for j in range(n_rows)]

    # row constraints
    j = 0
    for i in range(n):
        solver.Add(sum([x[k] for k in range(j, j + 2*n-i-2)])==1)
        j += 2*n-i-2

    # column constraints
    for i in range(n_cols):
        inds = []
        for j in range(n_rows):
            if matrix[j][i]:
                inds.append(j)
        solver.Add(sum([x[k] for k in inds])==1)

    solver.Minimize(sum([x[i] for i in range(n_rows)]))

    status = solver.Solve()
    if status == pywraplp.Solver.OPTIMAL:
        for i in range(n_rows):
            if x[i].solution_value():
                for j in range(n_cols):
                    out[j] += matrix[i][j]
        return out
    else:
        return None
```

17.3. Model using Constraint Programming

Let (x_{is}, x_{ie}) be the tuple of decision variables indicating the starting and ending position of number i in the Langford sequence. The decision variables need to satisfy the following constraints:

$$1 \leq x_{is}, x_{ie} \leq 2n, 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$x_{ie} = x_{is} + (i + 1), 1 \leq i \leq n$$

All members of the set $\{x_{it} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n, t \in \{s, e\}\}$ are different.

17.3.1. Solution using Google OR-Tools

Here is the Python code implementing the above model using the fantastic Google **OR-Tools** library:

```
from ortools.sat.python import cp_model
from collections import defaultdict

def langford_seq_checker(seq):
    if not seq:
        return False
    pos_map = defaultdict(list)
    for i, n in enumerate(seq):
        pos_map[n].append(i)
    for n, p in pos_map.items():
        if len(p) != 2:
            return False
        if (p[1] - p[0]) != n + 1:
            return False
    return True

def langford_cp(n):
    model = cp_model.CpModel()
    x = [[model.NewIntVar(1, 2*n, 'x[%i][%i]' % (i,j)) for j in range(2)] for i in range(n)]

    model.AddAllDifferent([x[i][j] for i in range(n) for j in range(2)])
    for i in range(n):
        model.Add(x[i][1] - x[i][0] == i+2)

    solver = cp_model.CpSolver()
    status = solver.Solve(model)
    if status == cp_model.OPTIMAL or status == cp_model.FEASIBLE:
        out = [0]*(2*n+1)
        for i in range(n):
            for j in range(2):
                out[solver.Value(x[i][j])] = i+1
        return out[1:]
    else:
        return None
```

17.3.2. Solution

Here is the sequence $L(100)$ calculated using the above code:

```
[51, 79, 80, 82, 1, 30, 1, 64, 70, 87, 95, 50, 21, 66, 33, 4, 29, 97, 20, 15, 4, 69,
22,
52, 59, 28, 100, 81, 46, 26, 36, 57, 49, 8, 21, 15, 30, 91, 31, 20, 83, 86, 8, 34,
23, 22,
29, 68, 33, 40, 53, 14, 51, 72, 28, 84, 26, 74, 89, 63, 32, 55, 50, 75, 98, 76, 14,
36, 23,
7, 31, 48, 64, 93, 96, 46, 52, 7, 34, 70, 66, 79, 49, 80, 59, 65, 82, 92, 71, 57,
40, 69,
```

94, 32, 99, 78, 61, 87, 67, 90, 6, 43, 62, 88, 53, 19, 95, 6, 60, 81, 35, 77, 24,
 85, 73,
 97, 68, 55, 56, 11, 48, 54, 58, 63, 83, 19, 72, 100, 86, 91, 25, 11, 74, 13, 27, 47,
 17,
 24, 45, 75, 84, 10, 76, 38, 41, 43, 35, 13, 89, 9, 44, 65, 10, 42, 17, 37, 25, 39,
 61, 9,
 71, 16, 27, 98, 12, 62, 67, 93, 3, 60, 2, 96, 3, 2, 78, 56, 54, 12, 16, 18, 92, 58,
 38, 47,
 45, 5, 41, 94, 73, 77, 90, 5, 88, 37, 99, 44, 42, 39, 18, 85]

18. Skyscrapers

Fill the grid with numbers, so that every number appears only once in every row and column. The numbers used range from 1 upto the length of each row or column. Imagine the grid is the aerial view of a city block of skyscrapers of varying heights, one within each cell in the grid. Each skyscraper is to be represented as a number indicating its height. A number outside the grid describes how many skyscrapers can be seen along that row or up/down that column from the perspective of that number on the ground. You can only see a skyscraper if smaller skyscrapers are in front of it; you cannot see one if a taller skyscraper is in front of it, blocking the view. Here is a 6×6 Skyscraper puzzle

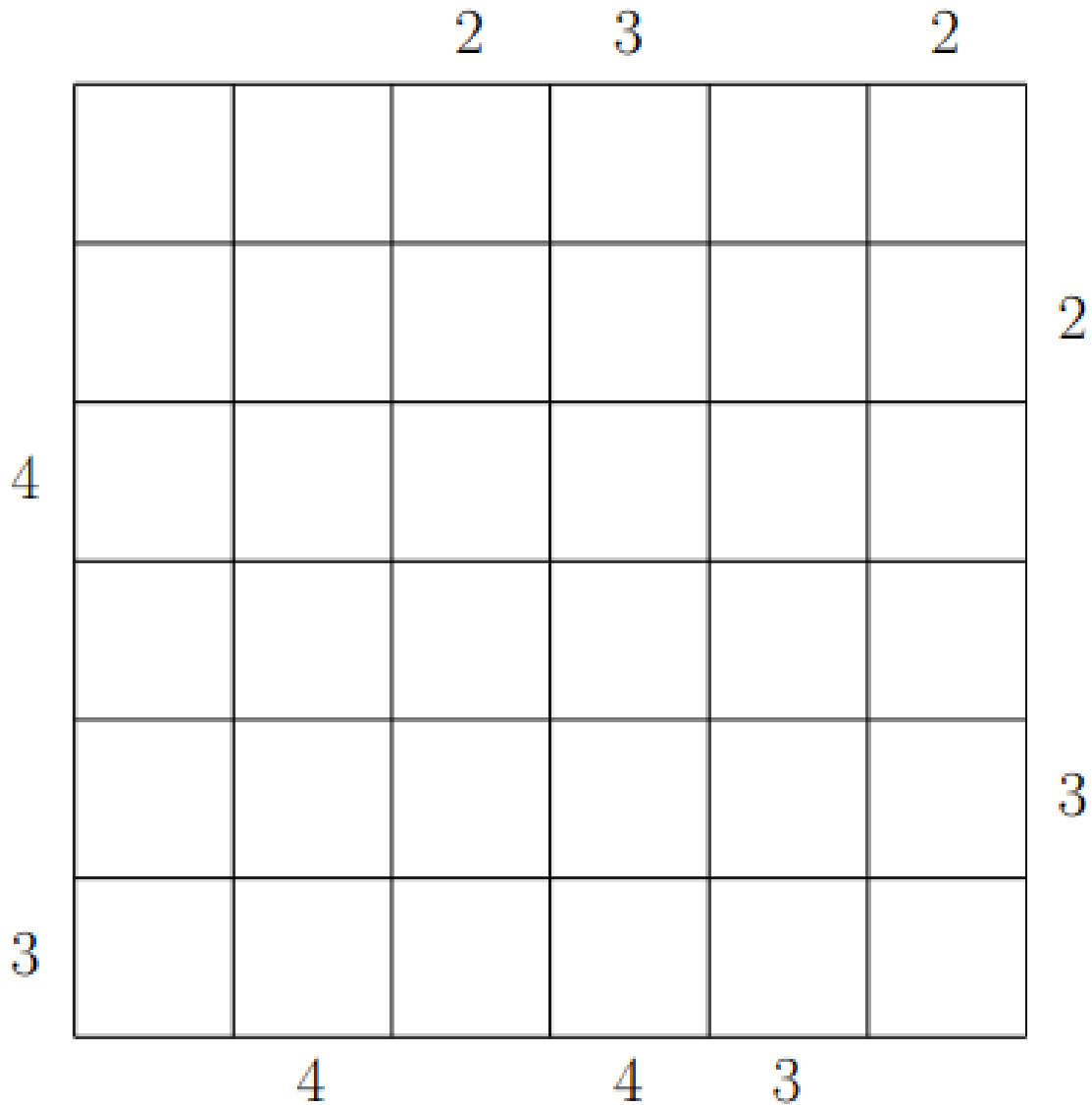


Figure 27:

18.1.1. Python code using Z3

```

from z3 import *
from itertools import permutations
from collections import defaultdict

class SkyscrapersSolver:
    def __init__(self, n, puzzle):
        self.n = n
        self.input = puzzle
        self.perms = defaultdict(set)
        self.X = [[Int("x_%s_%s" % (i+1, j+1)) for j in range(n)]
                  for i in range(n)]
        self.s = Solver()
        self.s.add([And(1 <= self.X[i][j], self.X[i][j] <= n) for i in range(n) for j
in range(n)])
        for i in range(n):
            self.s.add(And(Distinct(self.X[i])))

```

```

for j in range(n):
    self.s.add(And(Distinct([self.X[i][j] for i in range(n)])))

def classify_permutations(self):
    def num_of_visible_ss(arr, reverse=False):
        if reverse:
            arr = arr[-1::-1]
        v = 0
        for i in range(0, len(arr)):
            if arr[i] >= max(arr[0:i+1]):
                v += 1
        return v

    for p in permutations(range(1, self.n+1)):
        self.perms[("R", num_of_visible_ss(p))].add(p)
        self.perms[("L", num_of_visible_ss(p, reverse=True))].add(p)

def set_constraints(self):
    gl_consts = []
    for dr, rn, ns in self.input:
        if dr == "R" or dr == "L":
            poss_perms = []
            for p in self.perms[(dr, ns)]:
                poss_perms.append(And([self.X[rn-1][i] == v for i, v in
enumerate(p)]))
            gl_consts.append(Or(poss_perms))
        else:
            mdr = "R" if dr == "D" else "L"
            poss_perms = []
            for p in self.perms[(mdr, ns)]:
                poss_perms.append(And([self.X[i][rn-1] == v for i, v in
enumerate(p)]))
            gl_consts.append(Or(poss_perms))
    self.s.add(And(gl_consts))

def output_solution(self):
    m = self.s.model()
    for i in range(self.n):
        print(" ".join(['{:>2}'.format(str(m.evaluate(self.X[i][j]))))
            for j in range(self.n)])

def solve(self):
    self.classify_permutations()
    self.set_constraints()
    if self.s.check() == sat:
        self.output_solution()
    else:
        print(self.s)
        print("Failed to solve.")

puzzle = [(("R", 3, 4), ("R", 6, 3), ("D", 3, 2), ("D", 4, 3), ("D", 6, 2), ("L", 2, 2), ("L", 5, 3),
            ("U", 2, 4), ("U", 4, 4), ("U", 5, 3))]
sss = SkyscrapersSolver(6, puzzle)
sss.solve()

```

18.1.2. Solution

Here is the solution to the puzzle above

2 6 4 1 3 5

4 3 2 5 6 1

1 2 3 6 5 4

6 5 1 4 2 3

5 4 6 3 1 2

3 1 5 2 4 6

19. Numbrix

Just fill in the puzzle so the consecutive numbers follow a horizontal or vertical path (no diagonals). Here is a hard numbrix puzzle

9		11		19		77		73
7								71
31								67
35								57
37		41		45		47		55

Figure 28:

19.1.1. Python code using Z3

```

from z3 import *
import re
from itertools import combinations

def Abs(x):
    return If(x >= 0, x, -x)

class NumbricksSolver:
    def __init__(self, n):
        self.n = n
        self.X = [[Int("x_%s_%s" % (i+1, j+1)) for j in range(n)]
                  for i in range(n)]
        self.s = Solver()
        self.s.add([And(1 <= self.X[i][j], self.X[i][j] <= n*n) for i in range(n) for
j in range(n)])
        self.s.add([And(Distinct([self.X[i][j] for i in range(n) for j in

```

```

range(n))]))
    for i in range(n):
        for j in range(n):
            ns = []
            if (i - 1) >= 0:
                ns.append(self.X[i-1][j])
            if (i + 1) < n:
                ns.append(self.X[i+1][j])
            if (j - 1) >= 0:
                ns.append(self.X[i][j-1])
            if (j + 1) < n:
                ns.append(self.X[i][j+1])
            c_n1_ne = Or(*[And(*[Abs(self.X[i][j]-nb)==1 for nb in nbs])
                          for nbs in combinations(ns, 2)])
            c_l_or_e = Or(*[Abs(self.X[i][j]-nb)==1 for nb in ns])
            self.s.add(If(self.X[i][j] == 1, c_l_or_e, If(self.X[i][j] == n*n,
c_l_or_e, c_n1_ne)))

    def load_puzzle(self, puzzle):
        for i, line in enumerate(re.split("\n", puzzle)):
            for j, v in enumerate(re.split(",", line)):
                if v != "_":
                    self.s.add(And(self.X[i][j] == int(v)))

    def output_solution(self):
        m = self.s.model()
        for i in range(self.n):
            print(" ".join(['{:>2}'.format(str(m.evaluate(self.X[i][j]))))
                            for j in range(self.n)])
            print("\n")

    def solve(self, puzzle):
        self.load_puzzle(puzzle)
        if self.s.check() == sat:
            self.output_solution()
        else:
            print(self.s)
            print("Failed to solve.")

puzzle = '''9,_,11,_,19,_,77,_,73
_-'-'-'-'-'-'-'
7,_,_,_,_,_,_,_,71
_-'-'-'-'-'-'-'
31,_,_,_,_,_,_,67
_-'-'-'-'-'-'-'
35,_,_,_,_,_,_,57
_-'-'-'-'-'-'-'
37,_,41,_,45,_,47,_,55'''

ns = NumbricksSolver(9)
ns.solve(puzzle)

```

19.1.2. Solution

Here is the solution to the above puzzle

```
9 10 11 18 19 78 77 74 73
```

8 13 12 17 20 79 76 75 72
7 14 15 16 21 80 81 70 71
6 5 4 3 22 63 64 69 68
31 30 29 2 23 62 65 66 67
32 33 28 1 24 61 60 59 58
35 34 27 26 25 50 51 52 57
36 39 40 43 44 49 48 53 56
37 38 41 42 45 46 47 54 55

20. Kakuro

Kakuro is like a crossword puzzle with numbers. Each "word" must add up to the number provided in the clue above it or to the left. Words can only use the numbers 1 through 9, and a given number can only be used once in a word. Here is a hard Kakuro puzzle

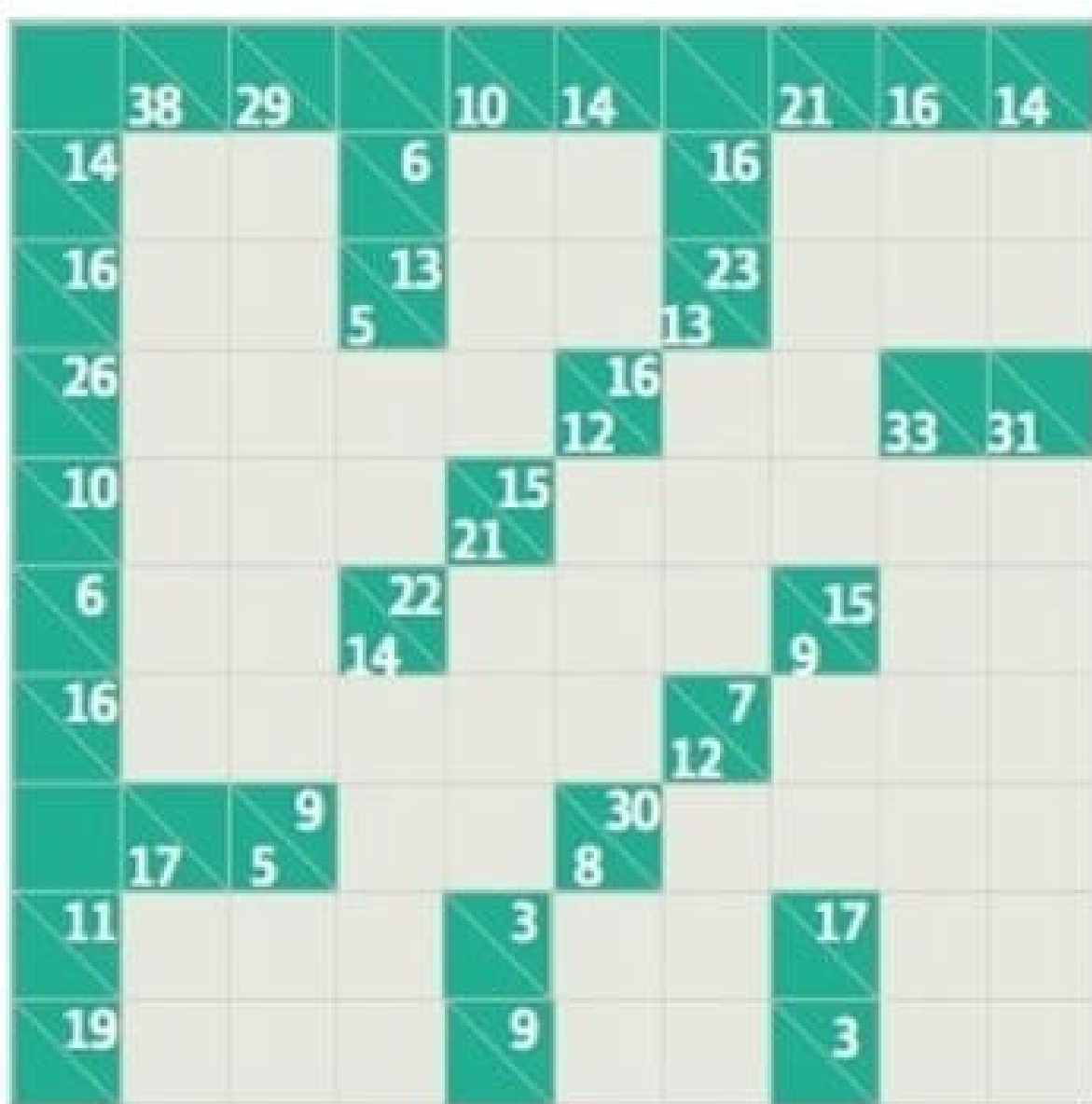


Figure 29:

20.1.1. Solution using Z3

Here is how the above puzzle is encoded:

```
x,38|,29|,x,10|,14|,x,21|,16|,14|
|14,_,_,|6,_,_,|16,_,_,_
|16,_,_,5|13,_,_,13|23,_,_,_
|26,_,_,_,12|16,_,_,33|,31|
|10,_,_,_,21|15,_,_,_,_,_
|6,_,_,14|22,_,_,_,9|15,_,_,_
|16,_,_,_,_,12|7,_,_,_,_
x,17|,5|9,_,_,8|30,_,_,_,_
|11,_,_,_,|3,_,_,_,|17,_,_,_
|19,_,_,_,|9,_,_,_,|3,_,_,_
```

Here is the python code using Z3

```
import sys
from z3 import *
```

```

class KakuroSolver:
    def __init__(self, fp):
        self.inp, self.vars = self.load_puzzle(fp)
        self.rows = len(self.inp)
        self.cols = len(self.inp[0])
        self.X_map = {(i, j): Int("x_%s_%s" % (i+1, j+1)) for (i, j) in self.vars}
        self.s = Solver()
        self.s.add([And(1 <= v, v <= 9) for v in self.X_map.values()])

    def load_puzzle(self, fp):
        X = []
        with(open(fp, "r")) as f:
            for line in f.readlines():
                X.append(line.strip("\n").split(","))
        var_pos = [(i, j) for (i, l) in enumerate(X) for (j, t) in enumerate(l) if t
== "_"]
        return X, var_pos

    def set_constraints(self):
        for i in range(self.rows):
            for j in range(self.cols):
                if "|" in self.inp[i][j]:
                    c, r = self.inp[i][j].split("|")
                    if r:
                        bvars, r_p = [], j+1
                        while (r_p < self.cols and self.inp[i][r_p] == "_"):
                            bvars.append(self.X_map[(i, r_p)])
                            r_p += 1
                        self.s.add(And(Distinct(bvars)))
                        self.s.add(And(sum(bvars) == int(r)))
                    if c:
                        bvars, c_p = [], i+1
                        while (c_p < self.rows and self.inp[c_p][j] == "_"):
                            bvars.append(self.X_map[(c_p, j)])
                            c_p += 1
                        self.s.add(And(Distinct(bvars)))
                        self.s.add(And(sum(bvars) == int(c)))

    def print_grid(self):
        print("Here is the solution")
        m = self.s.model()
        for i in range(self.rows):
            print(" ".join(['{:>3}'.format(str(m.eval(self.X_map[(i, j)])))] if
self.inp[i][j] == "_" else '{:>3}'.format(" ")
for j in range(self.cols)))

    def solve(self):
        self.set_constraints()
        if self.s.check() == sat:
            self.print_grid()
        else:
            print("Failed to solve the puzzle")

if __name__ == "__main__":

```



```
ks = KakuroSolver(sys.argv[1])
ks.solve()
```

21. Kakurasu

Kakurasu is played on a rectangular grid with no standard size. The goal is to make some of the cells black in such a way that:

1. The black cells on each row sum up to the number on the right.
2. The black cells on each column sum up to the number on the bottom.
3. If a black cell is first on its row/column its value is 1. If it is second its value is 2 etc.

Here is a 9×9 hard Kakurasu puzzle

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
1										8
2										27
3										23
4										33
5										34
6										1
7										28
8										24
9										30
	18	4	14	23	8	20	24	39	33	

Figure 30:

21.1.1. Python code using Z3

```
from z3 import *
import seaborn as sns
```

```

sns.set()

class KakurasuSolver:
    def __init__(self, n, puzzle, outputfilename):
        self.n = n
        self.input = puzzle
        self.output = outputfilename
        self.X = [[Int("x_%s_%s" % (i+1, j+1)) for j in range(n)]
                  for i in range(n)]
        self.s = Solver()
        self.s.add([And(0 <= self.X[i][j], self.X[i][j]<= 1) for i in range(n) for j
in range(n)])

    def set_constraints(self):
        for d, n, s in self.input:
            if d == "C":
                self.s.add(And(sum([(i+1)*self.X[i][n-1] for i in range(0,self.n)])
== s))
            if d == "R":
                self.s.add(And(sum([(i+1)*self.X[n-1][i] for i in range(0,self.n)])
== s))

    def output_solution(self):
        m = self.s.model()
        data = [[int(str(m.evaluate(self.X[i][j])))*-1 for j in range(self.n)] for i
in range(self.n)]
        snsplot = sns.heatmap(data, square=True, linewidths=1.0, xticklabels=False,
yticklabels=False, cbar=False)
        snsplot.get_figure().savefig(self.outputfilename + ".png")

    def solve(self):
        self.set_constraints()
        if self.s.check() == sat:
            self.output_solution()
        else:
            print(self.s)
            print("Failed to solve.")

puzzle = [
    ("C", 1, 18),
    ("C", 2, 4),
    ("C", 3, 14),
    ("C", 4, 23),
    ("C", 5, 8),
    ("C", 6, 20),
    ("C", 7, 24),
    ("C", 8, 39),
    ("C", 9, 33),
    ("R", 1, 8),
    ("R", 2, 27),
    ("R", 3, 23),
    ("R", 4, 33),
    ("R", 5, 34),
    ("R", 6, 1),
    ("R", 7, 28),
    ("R", 8, 24),

```

```

    ("R",9,30),
]

outputfilename = "kakurasu_sol"
ks = KakurasuSolver(9, puzzle, outputfilename)
ks.solve()

```

21.1.2. Solution

The solution for above puzzle is given below

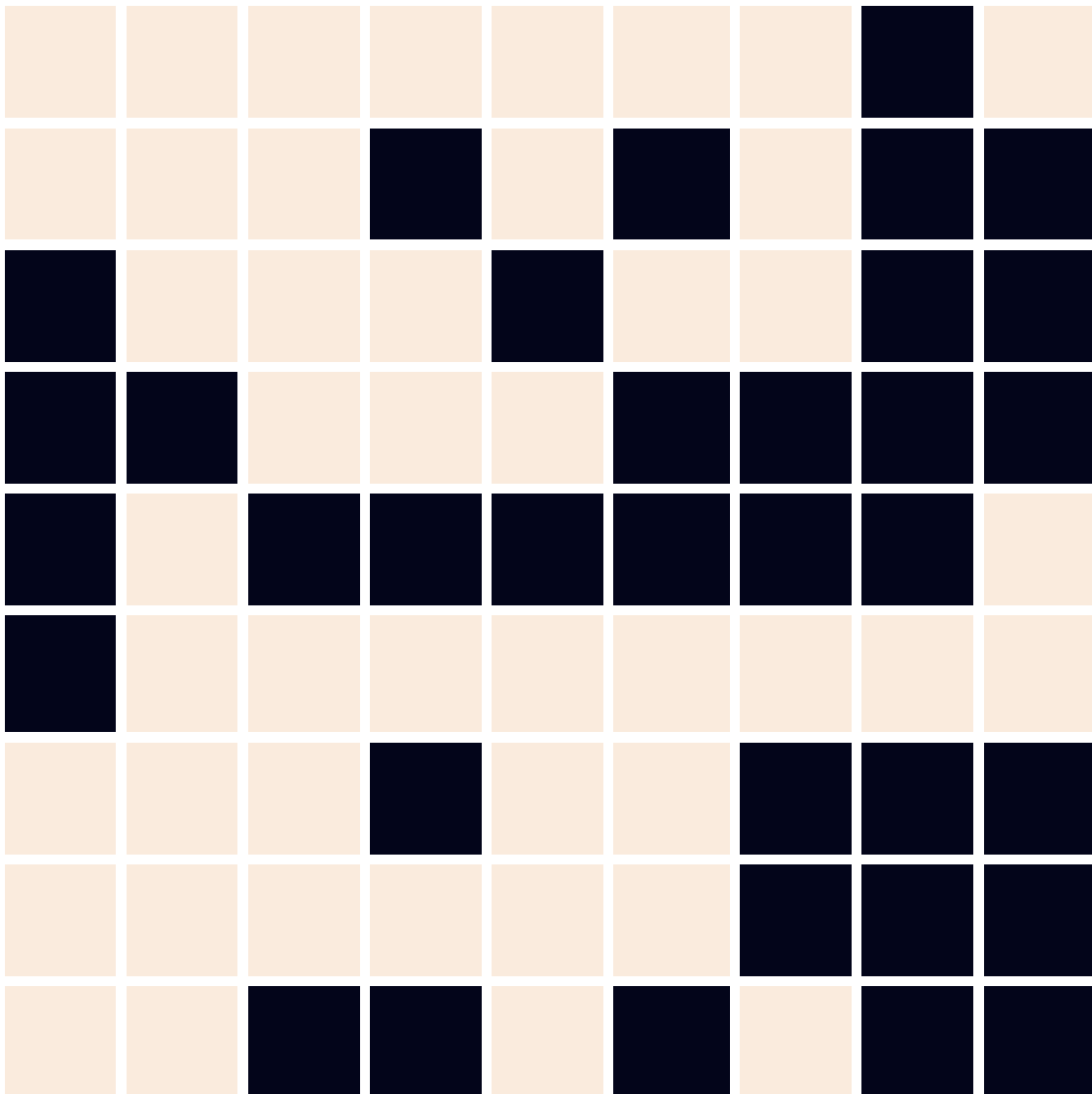


Figure 31:

22. 3-In-A-Row puzzle

Can you fill the grid with Blue and White squares without creating a 3-In-A-Row of the same colour? Each row and column has an equal number of Blue and White squares. Blue is represented by "X" and white is represented by "O" in the picture below

	O			X	
			X		
					O
					X
O					
O	O				

Figure 32:

22.1.1. Solution using Z3

```

from z3 import *

class ThreeInARowSolver:
    def __init__(self, n, puzzle):
        self.n = n
        self.input = puzzle
        self.X = [[Int("x_%s_%s" % (i, j)) for j in range(n)]
                  for i in range(n)]
        self.s = Solver()
        self.s.add([And(0 <= self.X[i][j], self.X[i][j] <= 1) for i in range(n) for j
in range(n)])

    def set_constraints(self):
        for i,j,v in self.input:
            self.s.add(And(self.X[i][j] == v))
        for i in range(self.n):
            self.s.add(And(sum(self.X[i]) == self.n/2))
        for j in range(self.n):
            self.s.add(And(sum([self.X[i][j] for i in range(self.n)]) == self.n/2))

```

```

for i in range(0, self.n):
    for j in range(0, self.n-2):
        self.s.add(And(self.X[i][j] + self.X[i][j+1] + self.X[i][j+2] != 0))
        self.s.add(And(self.X[i][j] + self.X[i][j+1] + self.X[i][j+2] != 3))
    for j in range(0, self.n):
        for i in range(0, self.n-2):
            self.s.add(And(self.X[i][j] + self.X[i+1][j] + self.X[i+2][j] != 0))
            self.s.add(And(self.X[i][j] + self.X[i+1][j] + self.X[i+2][j] != 3))

def output_solution(self):
    m = self.s.model()
    for i in range(self.n):
        print(" ".join(["X" if m.evaluate(self.X[i][j])==1 else "0" for j in
range(self.n)]))

def solve(self):
    self.set_constraints()
    if self.s.check() == sat:
        self.output_solution()
    else:
        print(self.s)
        print("Failed to solve.")

```

""" The puzzle is encoded using a 1 for an X and an 0 for an 0. The positions of the X's and 0's are captured as a list of 3-tuples (row, column, symbol)."""

```

puzzle = [
    (0,4,1),
    (1,3,1),
    (3,5,1),
    (0,1,0),
    (2,5,0),
    (4,0,0),
    (5,0,0),
    (5,1,0)
]

ts = ThreeInARowSolver(6, puzzle)
ts.solve()

```

22.1.2. Solution

```

X 0 X 0 X 0
0 X 0 X 0 X
X X 0 0 X 0
X 0 X 0 0 X
0 X 0 X X 0
0 0 X X 0 X

```

23. Fish

23.1.1. The Situation

1. There are 5 houses in five different colours.
2. In each house lives a person with a different nationality.

3. These five owners drink a certain type of beverage, smoke a certain brand of cigar and keep a certain pet.
4. No owners have the same pet, smoke the same brand of cigar or drink the same beverage.

The question is who owns the fish?

23.1.2. Hints

1. The Brit lives in the red house.
2. The swede keeps dogs as pets.
3. The dane drinks tea.
4. The green house is on the left of the white house.
5. The green house owner drinks coffee.
6. The person who smokes pallmall rears birds.
7. The owner of the yellow house smokes dunhill.
8. The man living in the centre house drinks milk.
9. The Norwegian lives in the first house.
10. The man who smokes blends lives next to the one who keeps cats.
11. The man who keeps horses lives next to the man who smokes dunhill.
12. The owner who smokes bluemaster drinks beer.
13. The German smokes prince.
14. The Norwegian lives next to the blue house.
15. The man who smokes blends has a neighbour who drinks water.

23.1.3. Solution

The German owns the **fish**. Here is a possible assignment satisfying all the constraints:

House	Nationality	Colour	Pets	Cigars	Beverages
1	Norweigan	Green	Bird	Pallmall	Coffee
2	German	Blue	Fish	Prince	Water
3	Brit	Red	Horse	Blends	Milk
4	Dane	Yellow	Cat	Dunhill	Tea
5	Swede	White	Dog	Bluemaster	Beer

23.1.4. Solution using Python

```
from z3 import *

house, nat, col, pet, cig, bev = [0,1,2,3,4,5]
houses = {0:"House1", 1:"House2", 2:"House3", 3:"House4", 4:"House5"}

red, blue, green, yellow, white = [0,1,2,3,4]
colours = {red:"Red", blue:"Blue", green:"Green", yellow:"Yellow", white:"White"}

brit, swede, dane, german, norwegian = [0,1,2,3,4]
```

```

nationality = {brit:"Brit", swede:"Swede", dane:"Dane", german:"German",
norwegian:"Norw"}

fish, cat, bird, dog, horse = [0,1,2,3,4]
pets = {fish:"Fish", cat:"Cat", bird:"Bird", dog:"Dog", horse:"Horse"}

pallmall, dunhill, bluemaster, blends, prince = [0,1,2,3,4]
cigars = {pallmall:"Pallmall", dunhill:"Dunhill", bluemaster:"Bluemaster",
blends:"Blends", prince:"Prince"}

milk, tea, coffee, beer, water = [0,1,2,3,4]
bevs = {milk:"Milk", tea:"Tea", coffee:"Coffee", beer:"Beer", water:"Water"}

columns = {house:houses, nat:nationality, col:colours, pet:pets, cig:cigars,
bev:bevs}

def Abs(x):
    return If(x >=0, x, -x)

class AssignmentPuzzleSolver:
    def __init__(self):
        self.X = [[Int("x_%s_%s" % (i, j)) for j in range(6)]
                    for i in range(5)]
        self.s = Solver()
        self.s.add([And(0 <= self.X[i][j], self.X[i][j]<= 4)
                    for i in range(5) for j in range(6)])

    def set_constraints(self):
        cons = []

        # there is no repetition along each dimension
        cols_c = [Distinct([self.X[i][j] for i in range(5)]) for j in range(6)]
        cons.append(And(cols_c))

        # The brit lives in the red house
        cons1 = Or([And(self.X[i][nat] == brit, self.X[i][col] == red)
                    for i in range(5)])
        cons.append(cons1)

        # The swede keeps dogs as pets
        cons2 = Or([And(self.X[i][nat] == swede, self.X[i][pet] == dog)
                    for i in range(5)])
        cons.append(cons2)

        # The dane drinks tea
        cons3 = Or([And(self.X[i][nat] == dane, self.X[i][bev] == tea)
                    for i in range(5)])
        cons.append(cons3)

        # The green house is on the left of the white house
        cons4 = []
        for i in range(4):
            for j in range(i+1,5):
                cons4.append(And(self.X[i][col] == green, self.X[j][col] == white))
        cons4 = Or(cons4)
        cons.append(cons4)

```

```

# The green house owner drinks coffee
cons5 = Or([And(self.X[i][col] == green, self.X[i][bev] == coffee)
            for i in range(5)])
cons.append(cons5)

# The person who smokes pallmall rears birds
cons6 = Or([And(self.X[i][cig] == pallmall, self.X[i][pet] == bird)
            for i in range(5)])
cons.append(cons6)

# The owner of the yellow house smokes dunhill
cons7 = Or([And(self.X[i][col] == yellow, self.X[i][cig] == dunhill)
            for i in range(5)])
cons.append(cons7)

# The man living in the centre house drinks milk
cons8 = Or([And(self.X[i][house] == 2, self.X[i][bev] == milk)
            for i in range(5)])
cons.append(cons8)

# The Norwegian lives in the first house
cons9 = Or([And(self.X[i][nat] == norwegian, self.X[i][house] == 0)
            for i in range(5)])
cons.append(cons9)

# The man who smokes blends lives next to the one who keeps cats
cons10 = []
for i in range(5):
    for j in range(5):
        if i != j:
            cons10.append(And(self.X[i][cig] == blends, self.X[j][pet] ==
cat,
                                Abs(self.X[i][house]-self.X[j][house]) == 1))
cons10 = Or(cons10)
cons.append(cons10)

# The man who keeps horses lives next to the man who smokes dunhill
cons11 = []
for i in range(5):
    for j in range(5):
        if i != j:
            cons11.append(And(self.X[i][pet] == horse, self.X[j][cig] ==
dunhill,
                                Abs(self.X[i][house]-self.X[j][house]) ==
1))
cons11 = Or(cons11)
cons.append(cons11)

# The owner who smokes bluemaster drinks beer
cons12 = Or([And(self.X[i][cig] == bluemaster, self.X[i][bev] == beer)
            for i in range(5)])
cons.append(cons12)

# The german smokes prince
cons13 = Or([And(self.X[i][nat] == german, self.X[i][cig] == prince)

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        for i in range(5)])
cons.append(cons13)

# The Norwegian lives next to the blue house
cons14 = Or([And(self.X[i][house] == 1, self.X[i][col] == blue)
            for i in range(5)])
cons.append(cons14)

# The man who smokes blends has a neighbour who drinks water
cons15 = []
for i in range(5):
    for j in range(5):
        if i != j:
            cons15.append(And(self.X[i][cig] == blends, self.X[j][bev] ==
water,
                            Abs(self.X[i][house]-self.X[j][house]) == 1))
cons15 = Or(cons15)
cons.append(cons15)

self.s.add(And(cons))

def output_solution(self):
    m = self.s.model()

print("\t".join(["House", "Nationality", "Colour", "Pets", "Cigars", "Beverages"]))
    for i in range(5):
        print("\t".join([columns[j][m.evaluate(self.X[i][j]).as_long()] for j in
range(6)]))

def solve(self):
    self.set_constraints()
    if self.s.check() == sat:
        self.output_solution()
    else:
        print(self.s)
        print("Failed to solve.")

s = AssignmentPuzzleSolver()
s.solve()

```

24. Flowfree

Flowfree is a puzzle game that is available as an android/ios app and online. The game is played on a square grid with n pairs of same-colored squares. The objective is to join each of the same-colored pairs by means of an unbroken chain of squares of the same color. A typical starting position together with the solution is in shown in the figure below:

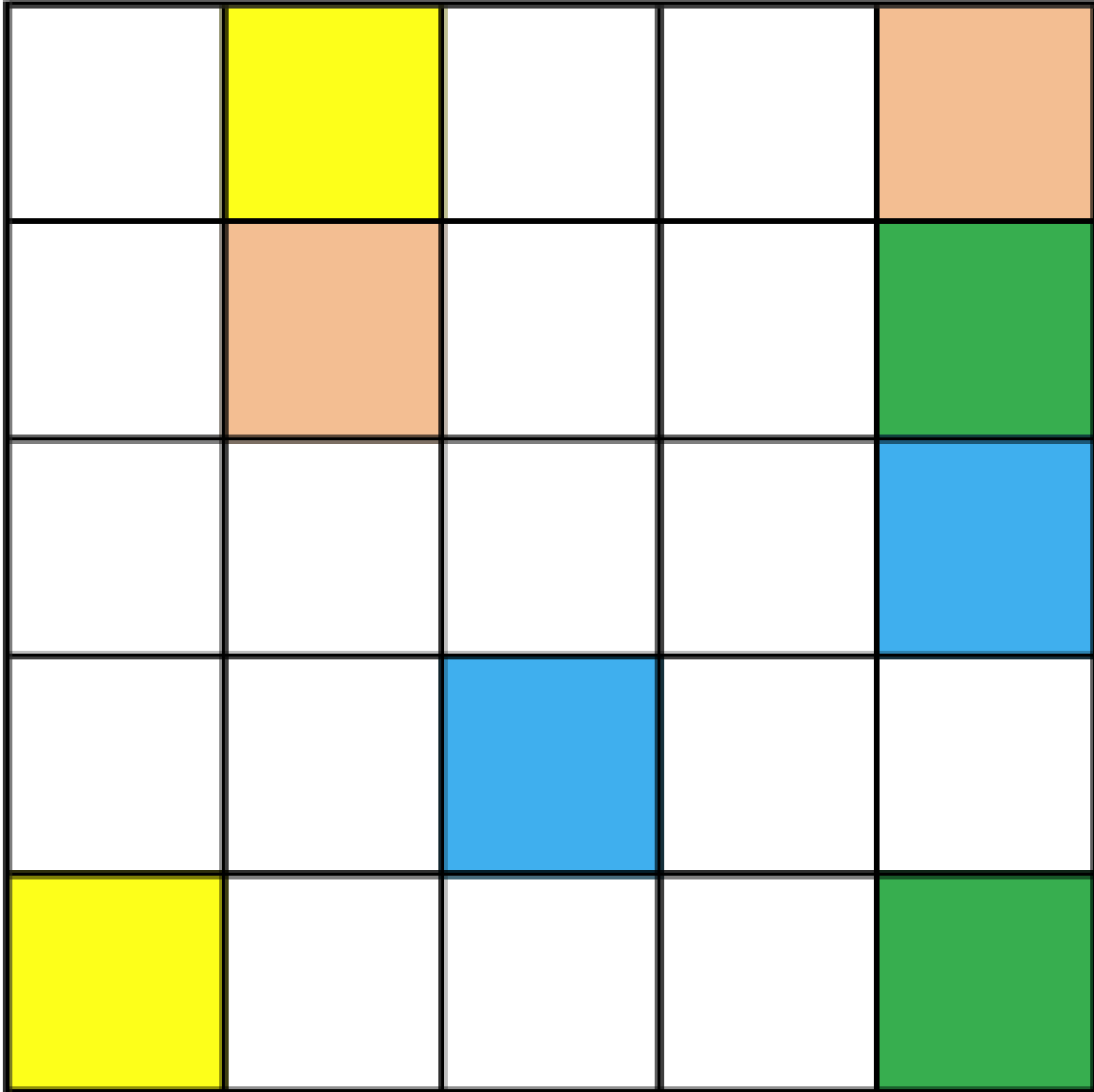


Figure 33:

24.1. Model

Define the sets $M = 1 \dots m$ and $N = 1 \dots n$, where m is the size of the grid and n is the number of pairs of same-colored cells. Also define variables $x_{ijk} = 1$ if cell (i, j) requires color k , otherwise 0, $\forall i \in M, j \in M, k \in N$ and parameters $S_{ijk} = 1$ if cell (i, j) has color k , otherwise 0. The conditions required by the puzzle are enforced as follows.

1. Ensure the solution is consistent with the starting configuration.

$$x_{ijk} \geq S_{ijk}, \forall i \in M, j \in M, k \in N$$

2. Each cell contains a single color.

$$\sum_{k \in N} x_{ijk} = 1, \forall i \in M, j \in M$$

3. Ensure a continuous chain for each color. This is done by ensuring

that the initially colored squares have exactly one adjacent square of the same color and all other squares will have exactly two adjacent squares of the same color. Define

$$f(x_{ijk}) = \sum_{p=i-1, p \neq i, p \in M}^{i+1} x_{pjk} + \sum_{q=j-1, q \neq j, q \in M}^{j+1} x_{iqk} + S_{ijk}$$

$$f(x_{ijk}) \geq 2x_{ijk} - 5(1 - x_{ijk}), \forall i \in M, j \in M, k \in N$$

$$f(x_{ijk}) \leq 2x_{ijk} + 5(1 - x_{ijk}), \forall i \in M, j \in M, k \in N$$

24.1.1. Python code using OR-Tools

Here is the code for the above formulation and puzzle:

```

from ortools.sat.python import cp_model
from enum import IntEnum

class Color(IntEnum):
    YELLOW = 0,
    BROWN = 1,
    GREEN = 2,
    BLUE = 3

def puzzle():
    m, n = 5, 4
    s = {(i,j,k):0 for i in range(m) for j in range(m) for k in range(n)}
    s[(0, 1, Color.YELLOW)], s[(4, 0, Color.YELLOW)] = 1, 1
    s[(0, 4, Color.BROWN)], s[(1, 1, Color.BROWN)] = 1, 1
    s[(3, 2, Color.BLUE)], s[(2, 4, Color.BLUE)] = 1, 1
    s[(1, 4, Color.GREEN)], s[(4, 4, Color.GREEN)] = 1, 1
    return m, n, s

def flowfree(puzzle):
    m, n, s = puzzle
    model = cp_model.CpModel()
    x = {(i,j,k): model.NewIntVar(0, 1, 'x(%i,%i,%i)' % (i,j,k))
         for i in range(m) for j in range(m) for k in range(n)}

    for i in range(m):
        for j in range(m):
            for k in range(n):
                model.Add(x[(i,j,k)] >= s[(i,j,k)])

    for i in range(m):
        for j in range(m):
            model.Add(sum(x[(i,j,k)] for k in range(n))==1)

    M = list(range(m))
    for i in range(m):
        for j in range(m):
            for k in range(n):
                f = s[(i,j,k)] + \
                    sum(x[(p,j,k)] for p in range(i-1, i+2) if p != i and p in M) + \
                    sum(x[(i,q,k)] for q in range(j-1, j+2) if q != j and q in M)
                model.Add(f >= 2*x[(i,j,k)]-5*(1-x[(i,j,k)]))
                model.Add(f <= 2*x[(i,j,k)]+5*(1-x[(i,j,k)]))

```

```

solver = cp_model.CpSolver()
status = solver.Solve(model)
if status == cp_model.OPTIMAL or status == cp_model.FEASIBLE:
    for i in range(m):
        print(" ".join(str(Color(k)).ljust(15) for j in range(m) for k in
range(n)
                                if solver.Value(x[(i,j,k)]) != 0))
    else:
        print("Couldn't solve.")

flowfree(puzzle())

```

24.1.2. Solution

The output of the above program is as follows:

Color.YELLOW	Color.YELLOW	Color.BROWN	Color.BROWN	Color.BROWN
Color.YELLOW	Color.BROWN	Color.BROWN	Color.GREEN	Color.GREEN
Color.YELLOW	Color.GREEN	Color.GREEN	Color.GREEN	Color.BLUE
Color.YELLOW	Color.GREEN	Color.BLUE	Color.BLUE	Color.BLUE
Color.YELLOW	Color.GREEN	Color.GREEN	Color.GREEN	Color.GREEN

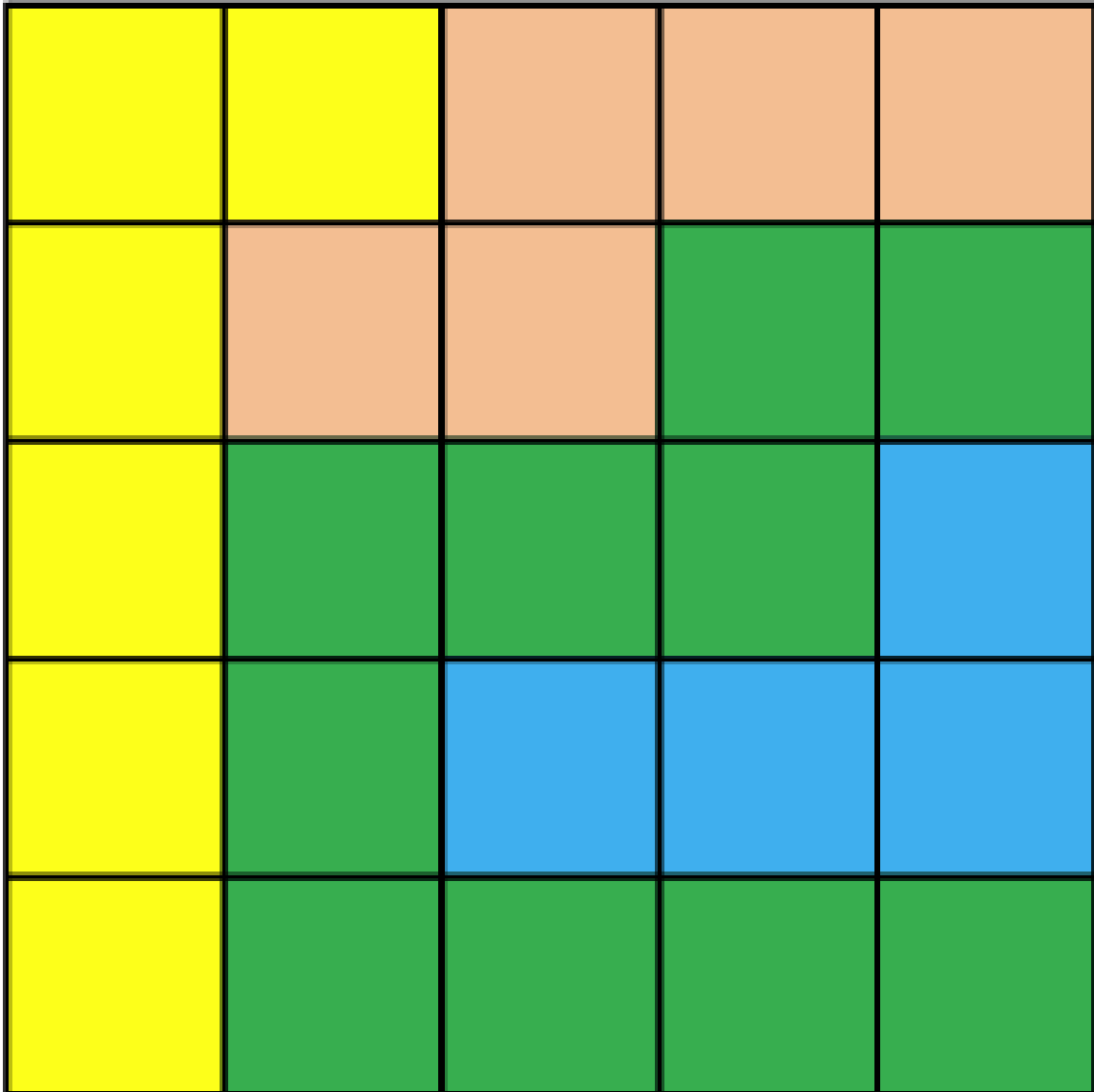


Figure 34:

25. Ostomachion

The famous four-color theorem states, essentially, that you can color in the regions of any map using at most four colors in such a way that no neighboring regions share a color. A computer-based proof of the theorem was offered in 1976.

Some 2,200 years earlier, the legendary Greek mathematician Archimedes described something called an Ostomachion. It's a group of pieces, similar to tangrams, that divides a 12-by-12 square into 14 regions. The object is to rearrange the pieces into interesting shapes, such as a Tyrannosaurus rex. It's often called the oldest known mathematical puzzle.

Your challenge today: Color in the regions of the Ostomachion square with four colors such that each color shades an equal area. (That is, each color needs to shade 36 square units.)

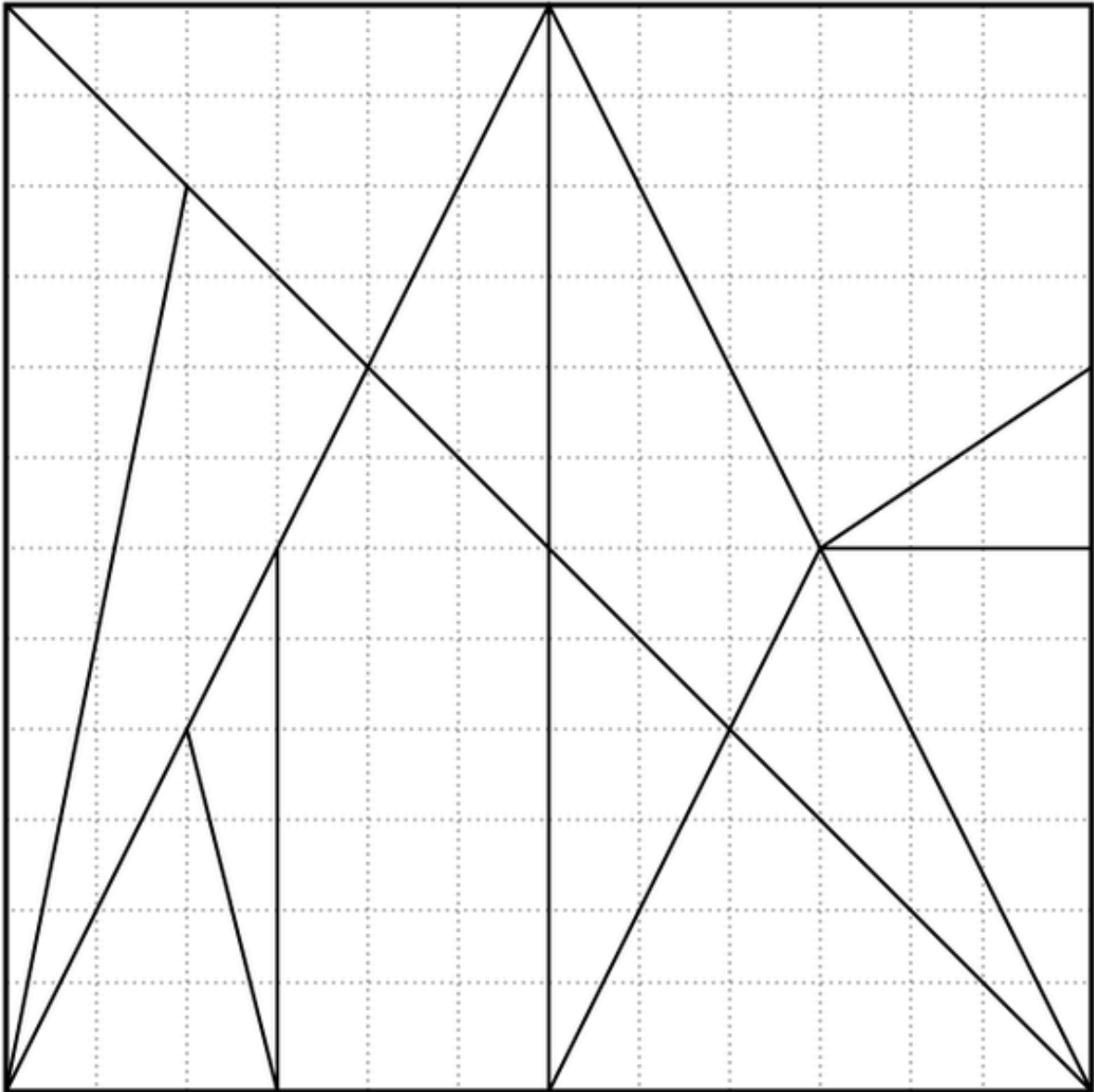


Figure 35:

25.1.1. Solution using Z3

Let the areas be labelled as follows:

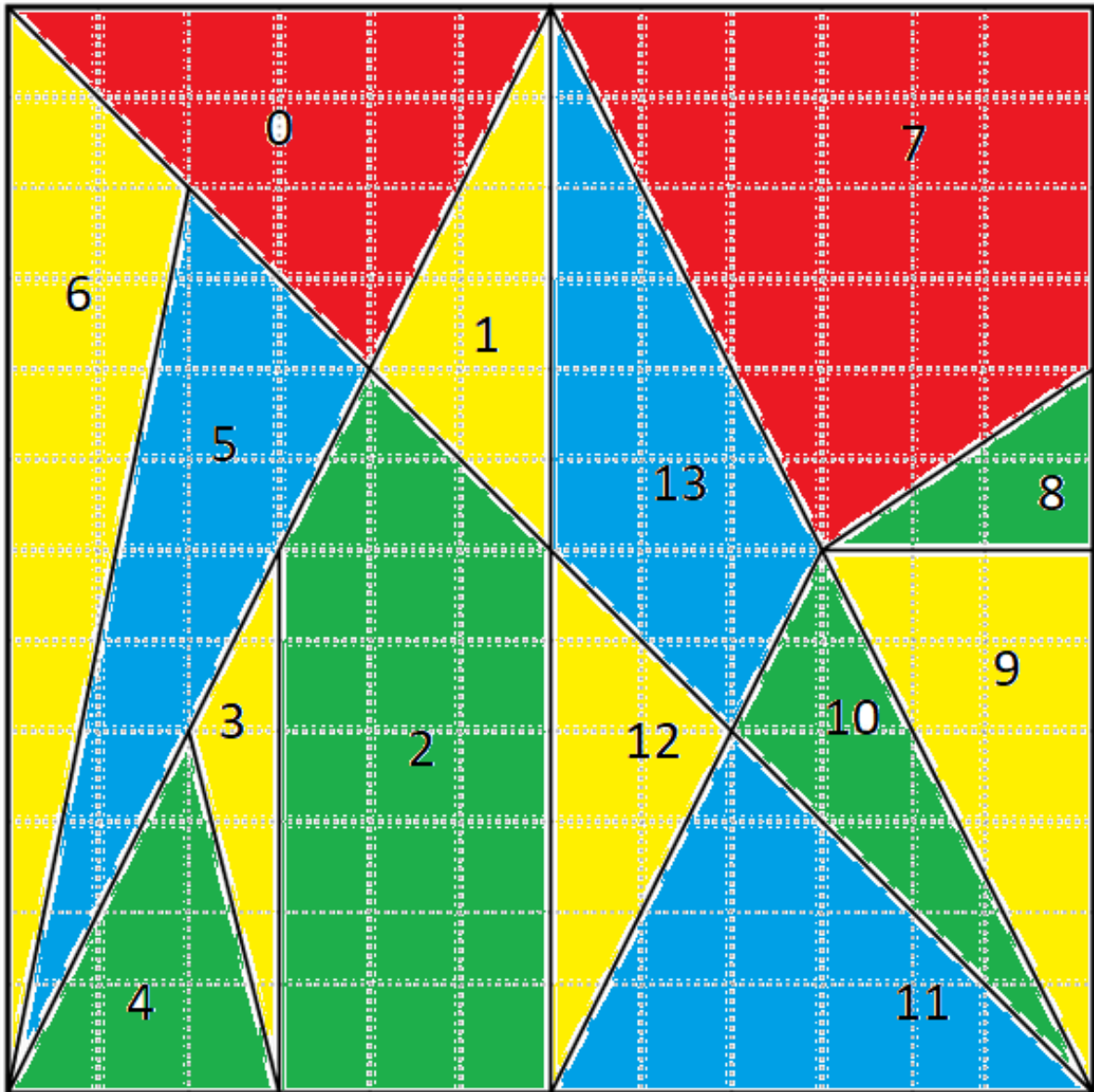


Figure 36:

```

from z3 import *
from math import factorial

connections = {
    0:[1,5,6], 1:[0,2,13], 2:[1,12,3,5], 3:[2,4,5],
    4:[3,5], 5:[0,2,3,4,6], 6:[0,5], 7:[8,13], 8:[7,9],
    9:[8,10], 10:[9,11,13], 11:[10,12], 12:[11,13,2], 13:[1,7,10,12]
}

areas = {
    0:12, 1:6, 2:21, 3:3, 4:6, 5:12, 6:12,
    7:24, 8:3, 9:9, 10:6, 11:12, 12:6, 13:12
}

col_map = {0:"Red", 1:"Blue", 2:"Green", 3:"Yellow", 4:"Orange", 5:"Pink"}

num_colours = 4
total_area = 144

```

```

def OstomachionSolver():
    X = [Int("x_%s" % i) for i in range(14)]
    s = Solver()
    s.add([And(0 <= X[i], X[i]<= num_colours-1) for i in range(14)])
    for c in range(num_colours):
        s.add(sum([If(X[i] == c, areas[i], 0) for i in range(14)])
              == (total_area//num_colours))
    for i in range(14):
        for j in connections[i]:
            s.add(X[i] != X[j])

    cnt_sol = 0
    while s.check() == sat:
        cnt_sol += 1
        m = s.model()
        s.add(Or([X[i] != m.eval(X[i]) for i in range(14)]))
    print("Unique solutions :", cnt_sol / factorial(num_colours))
    for i in range(14):
        print("Area %d - %s " % (i , col_map[int(str(m.evaluate(X[i])))]))

```

```
OstomachionSolver()
```

25.1.2. Solution

A colouring which satisfies the constraints is as follows:

```

Area 0 - Red
Area 1 - Yellow
Area 2 - Green
Area 3 - Yellow
Area 4 - Green
Area 5 - Blue
Area 6 - Yellow
Area 7 - Red
Area 8 - Green
Area 9 - Yellow
Area 10 - Green
Area 11 - Blue
Area 12 - Yellow
Area 13 - Blue

```