

Skyscraper Ruleset

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Introduction

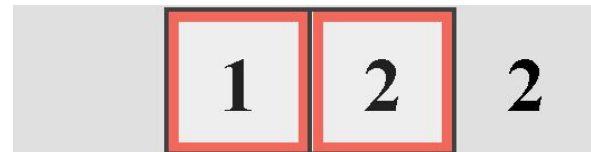
- Skyscrapers is a building placing puzzle based on an $N \times N$ grid with some clues along its sides.
- The object is to place a skyscraper in each square, with a height between 1 and N , such that no two skyscrapers in a row or column have the same height.
- The number of visible skyscrapers, as viewed from the direction of each clue, is equal to the value of the clue.
- Higher skyscrapers block the view of lower skyscrapers located behind them.

Contradiction Rules without Case Rule Usage

- Duplicate Number → No row or column can have duplicate numbers



- Too Few Visible → Fewer visible skyscrapers than there should be on a full row or column

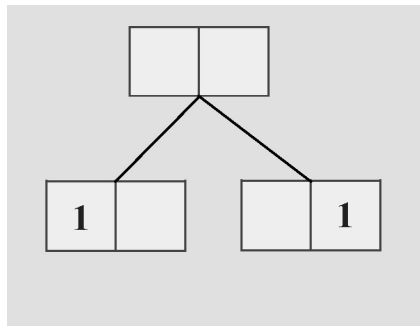
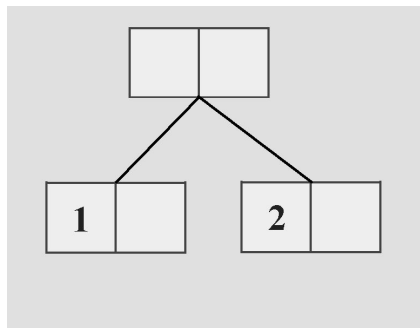


- Too Many Visible → More visible than there should be on a full row or column



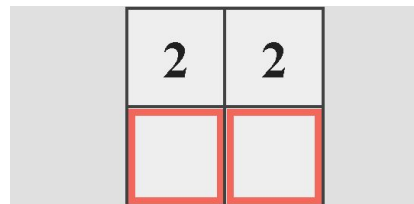
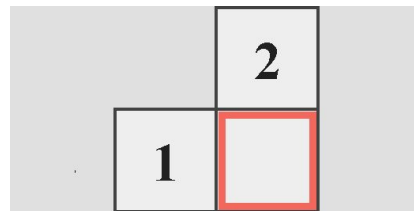
Case Rules

- Cell For Number \rightarrow creates a branch in the proof for each possible location of the given number along the given row or column unless the location for that number creates a Duplicate Contradiction
- Number For Cell \rightarrow creates a branch in the proof for each possible value of the given cell unless the value for that cell creates a Duplicate Contradiction



Contradiction Rules with Case Rule Usage

- Unresolved Cell \rightarrow Number for Cell returns no cases
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- Preemptive Visibility \rightarrow a visibility contradiction is inevitable before a row or column is full



Basic Rules

- N-Edge → when the value of the clue is N, numbers appear in increasing order from 1-N
- Last Non-Duplicate Cell → there is only one Cell for Number that does not create a Duplicate Contradiction
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- Last Visible Cell → there is only one Cell for Number that does not create a Preemptive Visibility Contradiction
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