

Towers Solver

Easy Steps

- Tallest tower cannot occur in the first (clue-1) positions, the second tallest tower cannot occur in the first (clue-2) positions, ect.

4	9	9	9						
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4	8	8							
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4	7								
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- Only one tower can be visible, so the first tower must be the tallest tower

1	9								
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- For clues of 2, second tallest tower cannot be the second tallest one

2	4	8			9				
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- If clue = dim¹, all towers are visible in ascending order

9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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- For clue of 2, if first tower is smallest one, second tower must be tallest one

2	1	9							
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¹ Dim = Dimension

- Tallest tower at clue-th position and all clue highest towers (in any order) filled in after the tallest one, means the leftover ones should form an upcounting sequence

5	1	2	3	4	9	5	7	8	6
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- If the first clue-1 towers have ascending values starting with 1, then the next tower must be the tallest tower

6	1	2	3	4	5	9			
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- If clue is 1 smaller than dim and second cell is a one, then there is only one possible solution for that line (up-counting)

8	2	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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- If first cell empty and $\text{filledPackedFromBack}^2 = \text{clue}-1$, first tower must be the highest remaining tower

6	4				5	6	7	8	9
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6	4		3		5	6	7	8	9
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- If $\text{filledFromBack}^3 = \text{clue}-1$ and the towers before the clue-1-th highest tower are empty, then those towers (except the closest one to the clue) can't have height $\text{dim}-\text{clue}+1$

5		5	5	5	6	7		8	9
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3		7	7	7	7	8		9	
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² Highest towers in descending order (step 1) next to one another, starting from the back

³ Highest towers in descending order (step 1) not necessarily next to one another, starting from the back

- If first cell is zero, second cell and tallest tower are filled in, and there is a visible sequence of clue number of towers, then the first tower must have a higher value than the second one

4	1	4		6	7	9			
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4	2	4		6	7	9			
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4	3	4		6	7	9			
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- If the clue-1 highest towers are present, not in ascending order, then the first tower cannot be the clue-th highest tower

5	5			7	9	8		6	
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6	4		5	6	7		9	8	
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3	7			9		8			
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- Only one Pencil-Mark left, so this tower must have this height

X	531	6		52		75	963		
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- Only tower in this line with a certain Pencil-Mark, must have this value

X	531	631				82			
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- Removing Pencil-Marks of each cell in this line with the value of a filled in cell on that line

X		653	631			6			
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- When two cells in the line have matching Pencil-Marks (and two of them), those values can be excluded in Pencil-Marks of the other cells in that line

X	532	831		952		82			82
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Complex Steps

- Only possible cell value in all permutations of this line, means this is the correct value

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

4	1			7	5		9		6
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- Removing Pencil-Marks that never occur in any permutation of this line

4	521	42	83	972	51	432	9	83	86
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Guessing and Backtracking