Each board style is defined using the same predicates and they are located in separate files (english_board.lp, european_board.lp, german_board.lp, pinwheel_board.lp, simple_3hole_board.lp, simple_4hole_board.lp, simple_5hole_board.lp). These boards only support 4 directions of movement: up, down, left, right.

In these files the size is defined using the predicate $\mathtt{size}(x,y)$. The german, european and english boards allow for variable sizes as long as they satisfy the board's own unique constraints. A starting position is defined as any point on the board $\mathtt{start}(x,y)$, this is where the first empty hole will be located. Each board uses its own instance of the omitted predicate (x,y) to specify the coordinates that won't be included on the board. Lastly, each board style defines the number of vertices on the board \mathtt{num} $\mathtt{verts}(N)$.

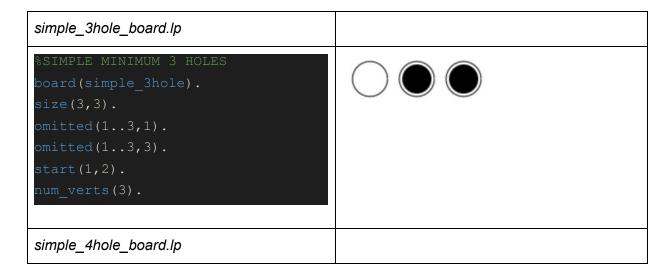
In peg_solitare.lp the maximum number of moves for any board is defined as:

```
max moves(N-2) :- num verts(N).
```

This rule is true for any peg solitaire board that only supports 4 directions of movement. Equivalently we have the same number of time steps:

```
xdimension(1..X) :- size(X,Y).
ydimension(1..Y) :- size(X,Y).
```

Furthermore, at each time step a move takes place causing vertices on the board change. Hence we define vertices using the predicate vertex(cell(X,Y), O, T). The coordinates are defined by the nested cell predicate. O takes on the value of 1 when the vertex is occupied by a peg at time step T and 0 otherwise. For all coordinates defined by our axis, a vertex gets instantiated if it has not been omitted by the omitted predicate. The initial vertices are defined at time step 0 and occupancy is set to 0 if the coordinate is the starting position start(X,Y), and 1 otherwise.



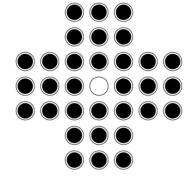
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SIMPLE 4 HOLES
board(simple 4hole).
size(4,4).
omitted(1..4,1).
omitted(1..4,3).
omitted(1..4,4).
start(2,2).
num verts(4).
simple_5hole_board.lp
%SIMPLE 5 HOLES
board(simple 5hole).
size(3,3).
omitted(1,2..3).
omitted(3,2..3).
start(3,1).
num verts(5).
pinwheel_board.lp
%PINWHEEL 8 HOLES
board(pinwheel).
size(4,4).
omitted(1,1).
omitted(1,3..4).
omitted(2,1).
omitted(3,4).
omitted(4,1..2).
omitted(4,4).
start(1,2).
num verts(8).
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english_board.lp

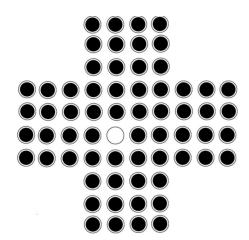
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%ENGLISH BOARD
board(english).
%Size-1 must be divisible by 3
size(7,7).
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:- size(X,X), X < 7.
:- size(X,X), (X-1)\3!=0.
%choose starting position
start(4,4).
%omit blocks in the corner
block1((X-1)/3) :- size(X,Y).
%omitted blocks are block1 x block1 in size
omitted(1..B1, 1..B1) :- size(X,Y), block1(B1).
omitted(1..B1, (Y-B1+1)..Y) :- size(X,Y), block1(B1).
omitted((X-B1+1)..X, 1..B1) :- size(X,Y), block1(B1).
omitted((X-B1+1)..X, (Y-B1+1)..Y) :- size(X,Y), block1(B1).
num_verts(2*B1*B2 + X*B2) :- size(X,Y), block1(B1), B2 = X-2*B1.</pre>
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10 x 10 board

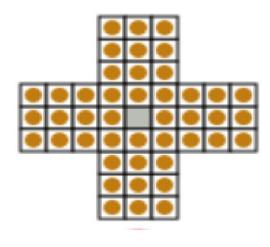


german_board.lp

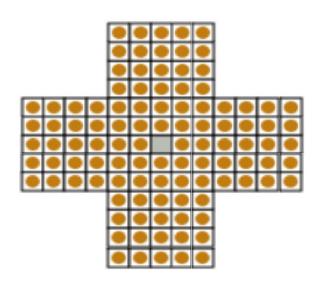
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%GERMAN BOARD
%the size of this board is variable
board(german).
%choose a size greater greater than or equal 9x9 that is a multiple of 3
size(9,9).
:- size(X,X), X < 9.
:- size(X,X), X\3!=0.
%choose a starting position
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```
start(5,5).
%omit 4 equal size blocks at each corner
block1(X/3) :- size(X,X).
block2(X-B1+1) :- size(X,X), block1(B1).
omitted(1..B1, 1..B1) :- size(X,X), block1(B1).
omitted(1..B1, B2..Y) :- size(X,X), block1(B1), block2(B2).
omitted(B2..X, 1..B1) :- size(X,X), block1(B1), block2(B2).
omitted(B2..X, B2..Y) :- size(X,X), block1(B1), block2(B2).
num_verts(5*B*B) :- size(X,X), B=X/3.
```





12 x 12 board



european_board.lp

```
corner cells (1...D, 1...D) := size(N,N), corner depth(D).
D*D \{ omitted(X, 1+Y-X) : corner cells(X,Y) \} D*D :- corner_depth(D).
D*D {omitted(X,D+Y+X) : corner cells(X,Y)} D*D :- corner depth(D).
D*D \{ omitted(X+D+1,1-Y+X) : corner cells(X,Y) \} D*D :- corner depth(D).
D*D {omitted(X+D+1,N+Y-X) : corner cells(X,Y)}    D*D :- corner depth(D),
size(N,N).
omitted(D+1,1) :- corner depth(D), size(N,N).
omitted(D+1,N) := corner depth(D), size(N,N).
omitted(N,D+1) :- corner depth(D), size(N,N).
omitted(1,D+1) :- corner depth(D), size(N,N).
num verts(21) :- size(7,7).
num verts(37) :- size(9,9).
7x7 board
                                    9x9 board
```

peg_solitare.lp attempts to solve a peg solitaire board.

At each time step, all possible moves are represented by the predicate:

```
possible\_move(cell(X2,Y2),cell(X1,Y1),cell(X0,Y0),T)
```

Where the peg at (x2, y2) jumps over the peg at (x1, y1) to get to the empty vertex at (x0, y0). At each time step all possible moves are considered and only one is chosen. The chosen move is represented by the predicate:

```
moves (cell (X2, Y2), cell (X1, Y1), cell (X0, Y0), T)
```

Since one move takes place at each time step \mathbf{T} , all the vertices need to be redefined at $\mathbf{T+1}$. If a vertex was involved in a move, then we update their peg occupancy accordingly, otherwise we don't change their occupancy.

Lastly, we define the predicate occupied (N,T) to count the number of occupied vertices at each time step. Hence, the following constraint acts as our target:

```
:- max moves(T), not occupied(1,T).
```

To see the solution we can show the **moves** predicate. My asp program is only able to solve pinwheel_board, simple_3hole_board, simple_4hole_board and simple_5hole_board in a timely manner.

peg_solitaire.lp

```
style(pinwheel).
\max \ moves(N-2) :- num \ verts(N).
time steps (0...T) :- max moves (T).
xdimension(1..X) := size(X,Y).
ydimension(1..Y) := size(X,Y).
vertex(cell(X,Y), 1, 0) := xdimension(X), ydimension(Y), not omitted(X,Y), not
start(X,Y).
vertex(cell(Xs,Ys), 0, 0) := xdimension(Xs), ydimension(Ys), not omitted(Xs,Ys),
start(Xs, Ys).
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```
possible move(cell(X2,Y2), cell(X1,Y1), cell(X0,Y0), T) :-
vertex(cell(X2,Y2),1,T), vertex(cell(X1,Y1),1,T), vertex(cell(X0,Y0),0,T),
X2+1=X1, X1+1=X0, Y2=Y1, Y1=Y0.
possible move(cell(X2,Y2),cell(X1,Y1),cell(X0,Y0),T) :-
X2-1=X1, X1-1=X0, Y2=Y1, Y1=Y0.
possible move(cell(X2,Y2),cell(X1,Y1),cell(X0,Y0),T) :-
vertex(cell(X2,Y2),1,T),vertex(cell(X1,Y1),1,T),vertex(cell(X0,Y0),0,T),
Y2-1=Y1, Y1-1=Y0, X2=X1, X1=X0.
possible move(cell(X2, Y2), cell(X1, Y1), cell(X0, Y0), T) :-
vertex(cell(X2,Y2),1,T), vertex(cell(X1,Y1),1,T), vertex(cell(X0,Y0),0,T),
Y2+1=Y1, Y1+1=Y0, X2=X1, X1=X0.
final time step)
1\{\text{moves}(\text{cell}(X2,Y2),\text{cell}(X1,Y1),\text{cell}(X0,Y0),T):
possible move(cell(X2,Y2),cell(X1,Y1),cell(X0,Y0),T)}1 :- time steps(T),
max moves(M), T<M.
vertex(cell(X,Y),O,T+1):-time\ steps(T),vertex(cell(X,Y),O,T),\ not
yertex(cell(X2,Y2),0,T+1) :- moves(cell(X2,Y2), , ,T).
```

Output for clingo --models 0 peg_solitare.lp pinwheel_board.lp

Solving... Answer: 1

 $moves(cell(3,2),cell(2,2),cell(1,2),0) \ moves(cell(2,4),cell(2,3),cell(2,2),1)$

 $moves(cell(1,2),cell(2,2),cell(3,2),2) \ moves(cell(4,3),cell(3,3),cell(2,3),3)$

moves(cell(2,3),cell(3,3),cell(4,3),5) moves(cell(3,1),cell(3,2),cell(3,3),4)

Answer: 2

moves(cell(3,2),cell(2,2),cell(1,2),0) moves(cell(2,4),cell(2,3),cell(2,2),1) moves(cell(1,2),cell(2,2),cell(3,2),3) moves(cell(4,3),cell(3,3),cell(2,3),2) moves(cell(2,3),cell(3,3),cell(4,3),5) moves(cell(3,1),cell(3,2),cell(3,3),4)

SATISFIABLE

Models : 2 Calls : 1

Time : 0.018s (Solving: 0.01s 1st Model: 0.00s Unsat: 0.00s)

CPU Time : 0.016s