# Yin-Yang Solver User Manual

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### 1 Introduction

This user manual provides a detailed explanation of the functionalities of the Yin-Yang Solver. The Solver can be accessed using the following link: https://computing-telu.com/products/yin-yang/

#### 1.1 Main Interface

The following is the main interface of the Solver. The interface consists of:

- 1. Row: Shows and adjust the number of rows.
- 2. Column: Shows and adjust the number of columns.
- 3. Clear: Clears the puzzle into empty cells.
- 4. Build Puzzle: Sets the puzzle into a pre-determined solvable puzzles.
- 5. Solve: Solves or Verifies a puzzle.
- 6. Puzzle Board: Represents the Yin-Yang Puzzle.
- 7. Description: Simple description of the application.

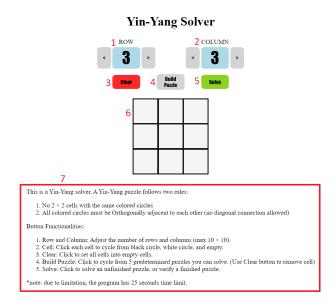


Figure 1: Main interface of the Yin-Yang solver.

#### 1.2 Answer Interface

The following is the answer interface of the Solver when solving a puzzle. The interface consists of:

- 1. Description: Shows if the input has a solution or not
- 2. Solution: Shows a Yin-Yang solution based on the input.
- 3. Return: Returns to main interface

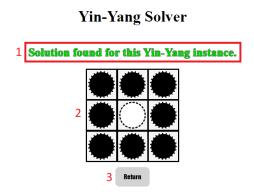


Figure 2: Answer interface of the Yin-Yang solver.

# 2 Functionalities

This section describes some functionalities of the application and the oputput of said functionalities.

#### 2.1 Row and Column

These buttons allows the app to adjust the number of rows and column of the puzzle.

#### 2.2 Cells

Each cell of a puzzle can be changed by the user. When clicked, the cell cycles from black circle, white circle, and empty cell.

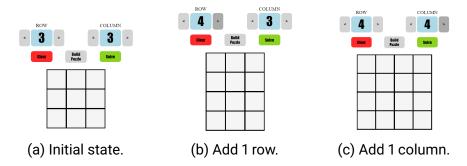


Figure 3: Example of changing row and column.

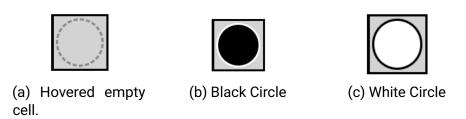


Figure 4: Example of changing row and column.

#### 2.3 Clear Button

This button sets all available cells into cells.

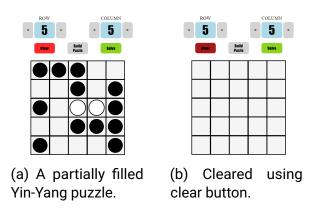
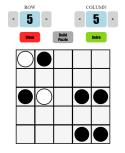
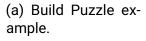


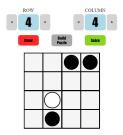
Figure 5: Example of clearing a puzzle with clear Button

#### 2.4 Build Puzzle Button

This button allows the user to try some pre-determined puzzles that can be solved. The button replaces the previous puzzle with a new one.







(b) Another example overwriting the previous.

Figure 6: Example of building puzzles.

When using build puzzle button, some of the hints can not be changed. To remove the hints, use the clear button.

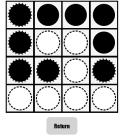
#### 2.5 Solve Button

When clicking the solve button, the program does either two things:

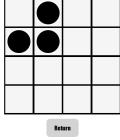
- 1. Solves an unfinished puzzle.
- 2. Verifies a finished puzzle.

When solving an unfinished puzzle, there are two possible outcome. Either the puzzle is solvable or not. If it is solvable, the program gives the solution in the Answer interface. Otherwise it shows that the puzzle has no solution.

Solution found for this Yin-Yang instance.



This Yin-Yang instance has no solution.

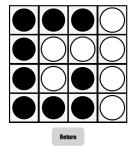


- (a) A solution is found when solving the puzzle
- (b) The puzzle has no solution.

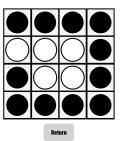
Figure 7: Output of solving a Yin-Yang puzzle.

When verifying a finished puzzle, there are two possible outcome. Either the puzzle is correct or some of the rules has been broken. The program shows the result in the description line of answer interface.

This Yin-Yang configuration is correct.



This Yin-Yang configuration is incorrect.



- (a) The Puzzle is correct
- (b) The puzzle is incorrect.

Figure 8: Output of verifying a Yin-Yang puzzle.

There is a time limit when solving a Yin-Yang puzzle. If the program exceeds 25 seconds time limit, the program tells the user with the answer interface.

Program exceeds 25 seconds limit

Figure 9: Output when the program exceeds the time limit

# 3 Source Code

The following is the source code of the solver program. For the source code of the Yin-Yang Solver website, please visit:

https://github.com/MadetheMeep/Yin-Yang-Website

```
1 import json
2 from django.http import HttpResponse
g from django.shortcuts import render
4 import pycosat
5 from copy import copy, deepcopy
6 import time
8 m = 3
9 n = 3
11 #Rotation and Reflection
12
  def identical(A, B):
13
      #checking whether A and B are identical matrices
14
      row_A = len(A)
15
      col_A = len(A[0])
16
      row_B = len(B)
17
      col_B = len(B[0])
18
      if((row_A != row_B) or (col_A != col_B)): return False
19
      else:
20
           for i in range(row_A):
21
               for j in range(col_A):
22
                   if(A[i][j] != B[i][j]): return False
23
      return True
24
25
  def transpose(A):
26
      #transposing a matrix A, i.e., Atrans[i][j] = A[j][i]
27
      row_A = len(A)
28
      col_A = len(A[0])
29
      row_A_trans = col_A
30
      col_A_trans = row_A
31
      A_trans = [[0]*col_A_trans for i in range(row_A_trans)]
32
      for i in range(row_A_trans):
33
           for j in range(col_A_trans):
34
               A_{trans[i][j]} = A[j][i]
35
      return deepcopy(A_trans)
36
37
38 def reverse_row(A):
      #reversing every row of A
39
    \#Arevrow[i][j] = A[i][n-1-j], where n is the number of column of A
40
      row_A = len(A)
41
      col_A = len(A[0])
42
      A_{rev_{row}} = deepcopy(A)
43
      for i in range(row_A):
44
```

```
A_rev_row[i].reverse()
45
      return deepcopy(A_rev_row)
46
47
  def reverse_col(A):
48
      #reversing every column A
49
    #Arevcol[i][j] = A[m-1-i][j], where m is the number of row of A
50
      row_A = len(A)
51
      col_A = len(A[0])
52
      A_{rev\_col} = [[0]*col\_A for i in range(row\_A)]
53
      for i in range(row_A):
54
           for j in range(col_A):
55
               A_{rev\_col[i][j]} = A[row\_A-1-i][j]
56
      return deepcopy(A_rev_col)
57
58
  def CW_rotate(A):
59
      #rotating a matrix A 90 degree in clockwise direction
60
    #transpose the matrix and reverse each row
61
      A_CW = reverse_row(transpose(A))
62
      return deepcopy(A_CW)
63
64
  def CCW_rotate(A):
65
      #rotating a matrix A 90 degree in counter-clockwise direction
66
    #reverse each row and transpose the matrix
67
      A_CCW = transpose(reverse_row(A))
68
69
      return deepcopy(A_CCW)
70
  def one_eighty(A):
71
      #rotating a matrix A 180 degree in clockwise (or counter-
72
      clockwise) direction
    #we can compose CWrotate or CCWrotate twice
73
      A_one_eighty = CW_rotate(CW_rotate(A))
74
      return deepcopy(A_one_eighty)
75
76
  def CW_rotate_horizontal_ref(A):
77
      #rotating a matrix A 90 degree in clockwise direction and
78
      reflecting the result horizontally
      A_CW = CW_rotate(A)
79
      A_CW_hor = reverse_col(A_CW)
80
      return deepcopy(A_CW_hor)
81
82
  def horizontal_ref_CW_rotate(A):
83
      #reflecting a matrix A horizontally and then rotating the result
84
      90 degree in clockwise direction
      A_{hor} = reverse\_col(A)
85
      A_{hor}CW = CW_{rotate}(A_{hor})
86
      return deepcopy(A_hor_CW)
87
89 #CNF
90
91 def mapping(r, c):
```

```
return n * (r - 1) + c;
92
93
   def check_all_same(A):
94
       ele = A[0]
95
       print(ele)
96
       if (ele == ['*'] or ele[0] == '*'):
97
            return False
98
       if(m == 1):
99
            ele2 = ele[0]
100
            for x in ele:
101
                if ele2 != x:
102
                     return False
103
       if(n == 1):
104
            for x in A:
105
                if ele != x:
106
                     return False
107
       return True
108
109
   def get_1_solution(A):
110
       cnf = []
111
       clause = []
112
       if (find_first(A,0)):
113
            color = -1
114
       else:
115
            color = 1
116
       if (m == 1):
            for c in range(1,n+1):
118
                clause.append(mapping(m,c)*color)
119
       elif(n == 1):
            for r in range(1,m+1):
121
                clause.append(mapping(r, n)*color)
       cnf.append(clause)
123
       return cnf
124
125
   def rule_2by2():
126
127
       cnf = []
       for r in range(1, m):
128
            for c in range(1, n):
129
                clause = []
130
                clause.append(-mapping(r,c))
131
                clause.append(-mapping(r+1,c))
                clause.append(-mapping(r,c+1))
133
                clause.append(-mapping(r+1,c+1))
134
                cnf.append(clause)
135
                clause = []
136
                clause.append(mapping(r,c))
137
                clause.append(mapping(r+1,c))
138
                clause.append(mapping(r, c+1))
139
                clause.append(mapping(r+1,c+1))
140
                cnf.append(clause)
141
```

```
return cnf
142
  def rule_alternating():
144
       cnf = []
145
       for r in range(1, m):
           for c in range(1, n):
147
                clause = []
148
                clause.append(-mapping(r,c))
149
150
                clause.append(mapping(r+1,c))
                clause.append(mapping(r, c+1))
                clause.append(-mapping(r+1,c+1))
                cnf.append(clause)
153
                clause = []
154
                clause.append(mapping(r,c))
                clause.append(-mapping(r+1,c))
156
                clause.append(-mapping(r,c+1))
157
                clause.append(mapping(r+1,c+1))
158
                cnf.append(clause)
159
       return cnf
160
161
   def add_hints(A):
162
       cnf = []
163
       for r in range(m):
164
           for c in range(n):
165
                if(A[r][c] != '*'):
166
                    cnf.append([mapping(r+1,c+1) * ((A[r][c] * 2) - 1)])
167
      #Map Positive for 1, Map Negative for 0
       return cnf
168
169
  def translate_to_array(cnf):
170
       config = deepcopy(cnf)
171
       A = []
       for r in range(m):
173
           row_list = []
174
           for c in range(n):
175
                if (config.pop(0) > 0): #Positive Value
176
                     row_list.append(1)
                else:
                                           #Negative Value
178
                     row_list.append(0)
           A.append(row_list)
180
       return A
181
182
   def translate_to_clause(A):
183
       clause = []
184
       for r in range(m):
185
           for c in range(n):
186
                clause.append(mapping(r+1,c+1) * ((A[r][c] * 2) - 1))
       return clause
188
189
190 def negate_clause(clause):
```

```
return [-x for x in clause]
192
   #Verifier
193
194
   def compare_2by2(s):
195
       return ((s == '0000') or (s == '1111') or (s == '0110') or (s ==
196
       '1001'))
197
   def check_2by2(playboard):
198
       for i in range(m-1):
199
           for j in range(n-1):
200
                #if all cells in the 2x2 box are all the same (all 0 or
201
       all 1) the sum will be 0 or 4, plus if it creates alternating
       pattern (total 2 and (cell i j and i+1 j+1 are the same value))
                s = str(playboard[i][j]) + str(playboard[i+1][j]) + str(
202
       playboard[i][j+1]) + str(playboard[i+1][j+1])
                if (compare_2by2(s)): return False
203
       return True
204
205
   def valid_cell(r,c):
206
       return ((r \ge 0) \text{ and } (r < m) \text{ and } (c \ge 0) \text{ and } (c < n))
207
208
   def check_connectivity_BFS(A, r, c, color):
209
       #Initialize 2 dimentional array of 0 for checklist
210
       checklist = [[0]*n for _ in range(m)]
211
       checklist[r][c] = 1
212
       #Initialize queue for breath first search
213
       queue = []
214
       queue.append([r,c])
215
       #Initialize Direction
216
       dr = [0,1,0,-1]
217
       dc = [1, 0, -1, 0]
218
       #initialize count
219
       count = 1
220
       #run until the stack is empty
221
       while queue:
222
           #pop queue
223
            row, col = queue.pop(0)
224
           for i in range(4):
                adj_row = row + dr[i]
226
                adj_col = col + dc[i]
227
                if (valid_cell(adj_row, adj_col)) and (checklist[adj_row
228
       ][adj_col] == 0):
                    checklist[adj_row][adj_col] = 1
229
                    if (A[adj_row][adj_col] == color):
                         queue.append([adj_row,adj_col])
231
                         count += 1
       #return count of all connected cells from the starting cell
233
       return count
234
235
```

```
def check_connectivity_DFS(A, r, c, color):
       #Initialize 2 dimentional array of 0 for checklist
       checklist = [[0]*n for _ in range(m)]
238
       checklist[r][c] = 1
239
       #Initialize queue for breath first search
240
       stack = []
241
       stack.append([r,c])
242
       #Initialize Direction
       dr = [0,1,0,-1]
       dc = [1, 0, -1, 0]
245
       #initialize count
246
       count = 1
247
       #run until the stack is empty
248
       while stack:
249
           #pop stack
250
           row, col = stack.pop()
251
           for i in range(4):
252
               adj_row = row + dr[i]
253
               adj_col = col + dc[i]
254
               if (valid_cell(adj_row, adj_col)) and (checklist[adj_row
255
      ][adj_col] == 0):
                    checklist[adj_row][adj_col] = 1
256
                    if (A[adj_row][adj_col] == color):
257
                        stack.append([adj_row,adj_col])
                        count += 1
       #return count of all connected cells from the starting cell
260
       return count
261
262
   def show_config(A):
263
       print("")
264
       for x in A:
265
           print(*x, sep=" ")
267
   def find_first(A, color): #Finds the first cell containing color, if
268
      none found it returns empty array
       for i in range(m):
269
           for j in range(n):
270
                if(A[i][j]==color):
271
                    return [i, j]
272
       return []
274
   def verify(A):
275
       b_{count} = sum(row.count(0) for row in A) #count black (0)
276
       w_count = sum(row.count(1) for row in A) #count white (1)
277
       b_start = find_first(A, 0)
278
       w_start = find_first(A, 1)
279
       if b_start: #checks if b_start is an empty array or not
           b_valid = check_connectivity_DFS(A, b_start[0], b_start[1],
281
      0)
       else:
282
```

```
b_valid = 0
283
       if w_start: #checks if w_start is an empty array or not
284
           w_valid = check_connectivity_DFS(A, w_start[0], w_start[1],
285
      1)
       else:
286
           w_valid = 0
287
       if (b_valid == b_count) and (w_valid == w_count):
288
            return True
289
       else:
            return False
291
292
   def verify_with_2by2(A):
293
       if(check_2by2(A)):
294
            return verify(A)
295
       return False
296
   #SAT Solver
297
   def check_duplicate_clause(neg_clauses, clause):
299
       for x in neg_clauses:
300
            if (x == clause): return neg_clauses
301
       neg_clauses.append(clause)
302
       return neg_clauses
303
304
   def find_solution(cnf):
305
       total_iter = 0
306
       start = time.time()
307
       while True:
308
           solution = pycosat.solve(cnf)
309
           total_iter += 1
310
           if isinstance(solution, list):
311
                A = translate_to_array(solution)
312
                check = verify(A)
                if (check):
314
                    print(total_iter)
315
                    return A
316
                end = time.time()
317
                if (end - start > 25):
318
                    return ['time']
319
                neg_sol = generate_negations(A, solution)
320
                cnf.extend(neg_sol) #Negate Solution
321
           else:
322
                return []
323
324
   def generate_negations(A, solution):
325
       neg_clauses = []
326
       neg_clauses.append(negate_clause(solution))
327
       #Reflection only + 180 Rotate
329
       neg_clauses = check_duplicate_clause(neg_clauses,negate_clause(
330
       translate_to_clause(reverse_row(A))))
```

```
neg_clauses = check_duplicate_clause(neg_clauses,negate_clause(
331
      translate_to_clause(reverse_col(A))))
       neg_clauses = check_duplicate_clause(neg_clauses,negate_clause(
332
      translate_to_clause(one_eighty(A))))
333
       if (m == n):
334
           #Rotation and both
335
           neg_clauses = check_duplicate_clause(neg_clauses,
336
      negate_clause(translate_to_clause(CW_rotate(A))))
           neg_clauses = check_duplicate_clause(neg_clauses,
337
      negate_clause(translate_to_clause(CCW_rotate(A))))
           neg_clauses = check_duplicate_clause(neg_clauses,
338
      negate_clause(translate_to_clause(CW_rotate_horizontal_ref(A))))
           neg_clauses = check_duplicate_clause(neg_clauses,
339
      negate_clause(translate_to_clause(horizontal_ref_CW_rotate(A))))
340
       return neg_clauses
341
342
   def convert_2d_array(list):
343
       temp = deepcopy(list)
344
       print(temp)
345
       print(m)
346
       print(n)
347
       A = []
       for i in range(m):
349
           row = []
350
           for j in range(n):
351
                val = temp.pop(0)
352
                if (val == '*'):
353
                    row.append(val)
354
                else:
355
                    row.append(int(val))
           A.append(row)
357
       return A
358
359
   def find_empty(A):
360
       for i in range(m):
361
           for j in range(n):
362
                if(A[i][j]=='*'):
363
                    return True
       return False
365
366
   def answer(request):
367
       global m
368
       global n
369
       cnf = []
370
       m = int(request.GET.get("row"))
       n = int(request.GET.get("column"))
372
       grid = request.GET.getlist("grid")
373
       print(m)
374
```

```
print(n)
375
       print(grid)
376
       playboard = convert_2d_array(grid)
377
       print(m)
378
       print(n)
       print(playboard)
380
       sol = []
381
       res = "'
382
       indicator = ""
       if(find_empty(playboard)):
384
           if ((m == 1) or (n == 1)):
385
                # if(check_all_same(playboard)):
386
                    # sol = playboard
387
                # else:
388
                cnf.extend(get_1_solution(playboard))
389
           else:
                cnf.extend(rule_2by2()) #adding 2by2 rule to CNF
391
                cnf.extend(rule_alternating()) #adding 2by2 alternating
392
      rule to CNF
                default\_count = 0
393
           cnf.extend(add_hints(playboard))
394
           if(not sol):
395
                sol = find_solution(cnf)
396
           print(sol)
           if(not sol):
398
                res = "This Yin-Yang instance has no solution."
399
                indicator = "F"
400
           elif(sol[0] == 'time'):
401
                sol = []
402
                res = "Program exceeds 25 seconds limit"
403
                indicator = "F"
404
           else:
                res = "Solution found for this Yin-Yang instance."
406
                indicator = "T"
407
       else:
408
           if (verify_with_2by2(playboard)):
409
                res = "This Yin-Yang configuration is correct."
410
                indicator = "T"
411
           else:
                res = "This Yin-Yang configuration is incorrect."
                indicator = "F"
414
       return render(request, 'App/answer.html', {'instance':json.dumps(
415
      playboard), 'solution':json.dumps(sol), 'result':res, 'indicator':
```

Listing 1: Python source code of the Yin-Yang Solver