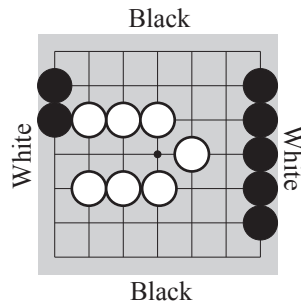


# LEVEE EDGE-FILL STRATEGY

An obvious way for Black (Player 1) to win would be to systematically fill in White's edge points. Or so it has been suggested by a number of otherwise intelligent individuals. Now if **both** players cooperate in systematically filling in each other's edges, Black will certainly win. However, if only Black commits to systematically filling in White's edge's, White is availed of a number of only slightly more sophisticated counter-strategies, one of which is illustrated in the following example.



As you escalate through the layers of strategy, counter-strategy, counter-counter-strategy, and so forth, each successive layer is increasingly complex, and before you know it you've got yourself a game.

I imagine Black would have an advantage on a 7x7 board. Said advantage would certainly be alleviated on a 19x19 board.

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