

LET'S PLAY SOME WATER (NOT SO) FUN GAME!

Problem:

We study a simple game consisting in a grid of tiles, separated or not by walls, forming different groups of tiles. Numbers figure on the end of some lines/columns. They correspond to a number of flood tiles in this column/line. The goal of the game is to find a solution, consisting of a combination of tiles flooded satisfying the number on each end of line/column and natural rules of physic.

R_side_numbers:

-Each line/column must contain the exact number of flooded tiles indicated on the end of the said line/column.

-Water must follow the following rules:

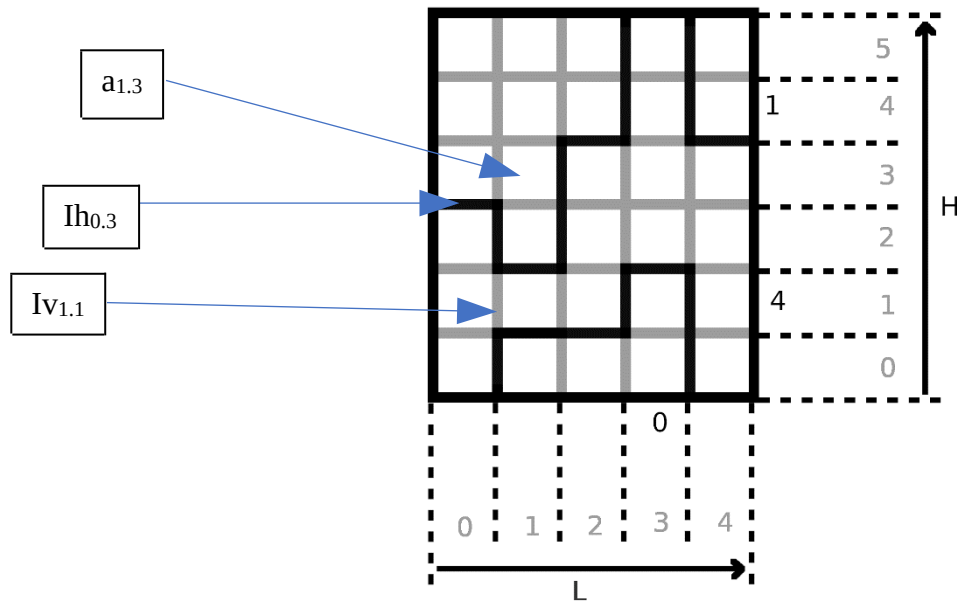
R_water_down:

A tile without water cannot be under a tile of water if there is no wall to stop said water.

R_water_level:

In the same group of tiles, if the group contains water, the level must be the same in all the group even if it is U shaped (or n shaped, for "simplicity").

Modelling:



Definitions:

Let L being the length (horizontal size) of the grid.

Let H being the height (vertical size) of the grid.

$\forall 0 \leq i < L, 0 \leq j < H$ we name $a_{i,j}$ the tile of coordinates i,j

$\forall 0 < i < L, 0 \leq j < H$ we name $Iv_{i,j}$ the (vertical) intersection of the tiles $a_{i,j}$ and $a_{i-1,j}$

$\forall 0 \leq i < L, 0 < j < H$ we name $Ih_{i,j}$ the (horizontal) intersection of the tiles $a_{i,j}$ and $a_{i,j-1}$

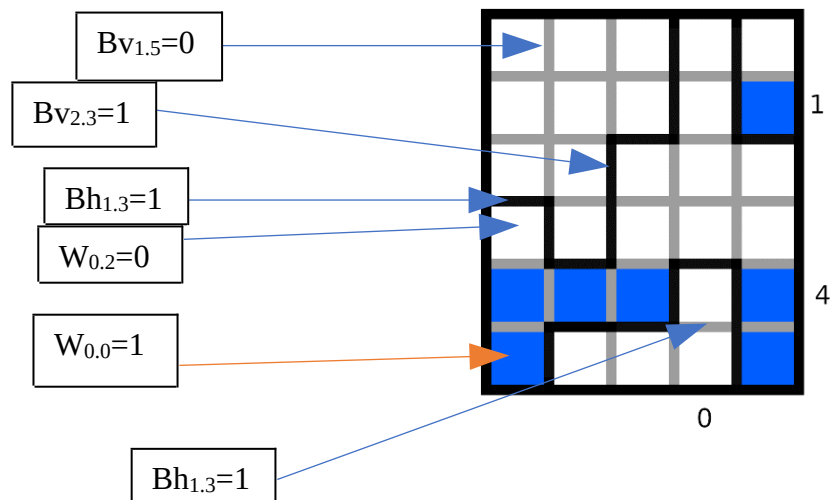
$\forall 0 \leq i < L$ we name Zc_i the number aside to the column i .

$\forall 0 < j < H$ we name Zl_j the number aside to the line j .

$\forall i,j, W_{i,j} = 1 \iff$ water in $a_{i,j}$.

$\forall i,j, Bh_{i,j} = 1 \iff$ horizontal barrier at $Ih_{i,j}$

$\forall i,j, Bv_{i,j} = 1 \iff$ vertical barrier at $Iv_{i,j}$



Modelling the “water’s physics”:

We attribute a number to each tile such that each tile inside a same group of tiles have the same value, in order to be able to say if two tiles are in the same group (i.e. if there’s a path between these tiles). For each tile $a_{i,j}$, we can access this number at $a_{i,j}.val$.

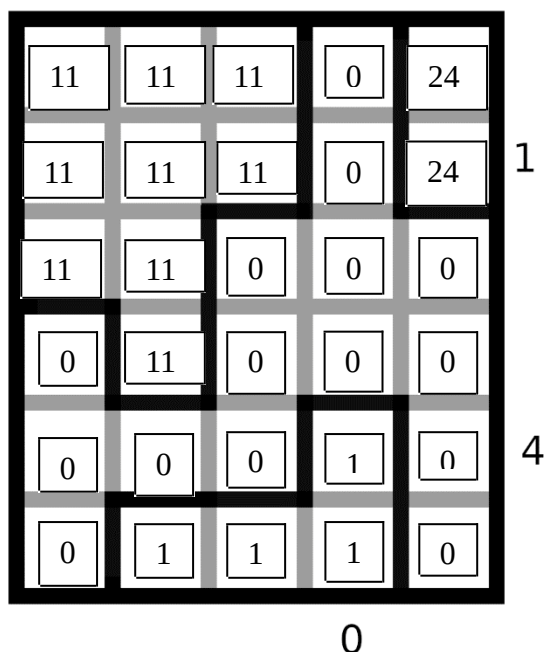
To attribute such values, a way to proceed is to initialize the values as the following:

$$\forall i,j \ a_{i,j}.val = j * h + i$$

And then use the following rule to get the same values in each group:

$$\forall i,j \ \neg Bh_{i,j} \Rightarrow a_{i,j}.val = \min(a_{i,j}.val ; a_{i,j-1}.val)$$

$$\forall i,j \ \neg Bv_{i,j} \Rightarrow a_{i,j}.val = \min(a_{i,j}.val ; a_{i-1,j}.val)$$



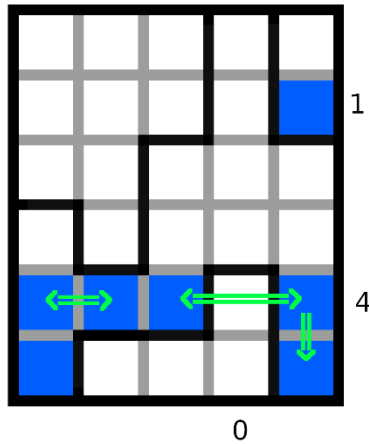
Once $a_{i,j}.val$ is defined, the following rules model the fact that water must follow the rules of physics:

R_water_down:

$\forall i \text{ in } \{0, \dots, L-1\}, j \text{ in } \{0, \dots, H-1\}:$
 $(a_{i,j}.val = a_{i,j-1}.val) \Rightarrow (W_{i,j} \Rightarrow W_{i,j-1})$

R_water_level

$\forall i_1, i_2 \text{ in } \{0, \dots, L-1\}, j \text{ in } \{0, \dots, H-1\}:$
 $(a_{i_1,j}.val = a_{i_2,j}.val) \Rightarrow (W_{i_1,j} \Leftrightarrow W_{i_2,j})$



Modelling the fact that Z_{c_i} and Z_{l_j} represents the number of tiles of water on the line or column (application of **R_side_numbers**) :

Let's start with the lines, by picking an integer i such that $0 \leq i < H$:

Since we want exactly Z_{l_i} tiles to be filled of water, a way to model it is by making a disjunction of each model, but transforming it to a conjunction normal form by developing is long and tedious.

Instead, we can model the fact that any assignment with at least $Z_{l_i}+1$ tiles filled of water should be unsatisfiable, and that any assignment with at most $Z_{l_i}-1$ tiles filled of water should be unsatisfiable.

To model the fact that any assignment with at most $Z_{l_i}-1$ tiles filled of water should be unsatisfiable, we do a conjunction of all possible clauses containing exactly $L-(Z_{l_i}-1)$ elements of the form W_{z_i} . (like this, by assigning at most $Z_{l_i}-1$ elements as true, we have at least a clause that we can't validate).

If $Z_{l_i} = 0$, no need to add a formula for this rule. Otherwise, the formula is the following:

$$\prod_{x_0=0}^{Z_{l_i}-1} \left(\prod_{x_1=x_0}^{Z_{l_i}} \prod_{x_2=x_1}^{Z_{l_i}+1} \dots \prod_{x_{L-Z_{l_i}}=x_{L-Z_{l_i}-1}}^{L-1} \left(\sum_{j \in \{x_0, \dots, x_{L-Z_{l_i}}\}} W_{j,i} \right) \right)$$

(The product symbolizes a succession of conjunctions, the sum symbolizes a succession of disjunctions.)

To model the fact that any assignment with at least Zl_i+1 tiles filled of water should be unsatisfiable, it is the same reasoning, but with a conjunction of all possible clauses containing exactly Zl_i+1 elements of the form $\neg W_{j,i}$ (note the negation, and so it is the same as verifying that at most $L-Zl_i$ elements of the form $W_{j,i}$ are false, which is directly equivalent to saying that there is at most Zl_i tiles filled)

If $Zl_i = L$, no need to add a formula for this rule. Otherwise, the formula is the following:

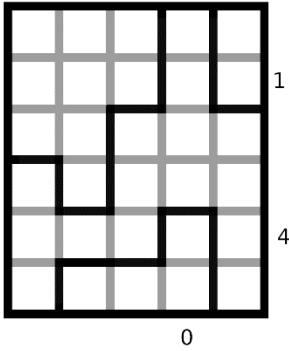
$$\prod_{x_0=0}^{L-Zl_i-1} \left(\prod_{x_1=x_0}^{L-Zl_i} \prod_{x_2=x_1}^{L-Zl_i+1} \dots \prod_{x_{Zl_i}=x_{Zl_i-1}}^{L-1} \left(\sum_{i \in \{x_0, \dots, x_{Zl_i}\}} \neg W_{j,i} \right) \right)$$

And so, the conjunction of these two formulas models the fact that exactly Zl_i of the $W_{j,i}$ are true, and the other false.

For the columns, it is the same formulae by interchanging L and H, and by replacing Zl_i by Zc_i , $W_{j,i}$ by $W_{i,j}$.

Example:

Here we take the following grid:



In this example we need a model satisfying all the above-mentioned rules:

R_water_down:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\neg W_{0.5} \vee W_{0.4}) \wedge (\neg W_{0.4} \vee W_{0.3}) \wedge (\neg W_{0.2} \vee W_{0.1}) \wedge (\neg W_{0.1} \vee W_{0.0}) \\ & \wedge (\neg W_{1.5} \vee W_{1.4}) \wedge (\neg W_{1.4} \vee W_{1.3}) \wedge (\neg W_{1.3} \vee W_{1.2}) \\ & \wedge (\neg W_{2.5} \vee W_{2.4}) \wedge (\neg W_{2.3} \vee W_{2.2}) \wedge (\neg W_{2.2} \vee W_{2.1}) \\ & \wedge (\neg W_{3.5} \vee W_{3.4}) \wedge (\neg W_{3.4} \vee W_{3.3}) \wedge (\neg W_{3.3} \vee W_{3.2}) \wedge (\neg W_{3.1} \vee W_{3.0}) \\ & \wedge (\neg W_{4.5} \vee W_{4.4}) \wedge (\neg W_{4.3} \vee W_{4.2}) \wedge (\neg W_{4.2} \vee W_{4.1}) \wedge (\neg W_{4.1} \vee W_{4.0}) \end{aligned}$$

R_water_level:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\neg W_{0,5} \vee W_{1,5}) \wedge (W_{0,5} \vee \neg W_{1,5}) \wedge (\neg W_{1,5} \vee W_{2,5}) \wedge (W_{1,5} \vee \neg W_{2,5}) \\
 & \wedge (\neg W_{0,4} \vee W_{1,4}) \wedge (W_{0,4} \vee \neg W_{1,4}) \wedge (\neg W_{1,4} \vee W_{2,4}) \wedge (W_{1,4} \vee \neg W_{2,4}) \\
 & \wedge (\neg W_{0,3} \vee W_{1,3}) \wedge (W_{0,3} \vee \neg W_{1,3}) \wedge (\neg W_{2,3} \vee W_{3,3}) \wedge (W_{2,3} \vee \neg W_{3,3}) \wedge (\neg W_{3,3} \vee W_{4,3}) \wedge (W_{3,3} \vee \neg W_{4,3}) \\
 & \wedge (\neg W_{2,2} \vee W_{3,2}) \wedge (W_{2,2} \vee \neg W_{3,2}) \wedge (\neg W_{3,2} \vee W_{4,2}) \wedge (W_{3,2} \vee \neg W_{4,2}) \\
 & \wedge (\neg W_{0,1} \vee W_{1,1}) \wedge (W_{0,1} \vee \neg W_{1,1}) \wedge (\neg W_{1,1} \vee W_{2,1}) \wedge (W_{1,1} \vee \neg W_{2,1}) \\
 & \wedge (\neg W_{1,0} \vee W_{2,0}) \wedge (W_{1,0} \vee \neg W_{2,0}) \wedge (\neg W_{2,0} \vee W_{3,0}) \wedge (W_{2,0} \vee \neg W_{3,0})
 \end{aligned}$$

R_side_numbers:

For the line 1 ($Zl_1 = 4$):

$$S = 6, Z = Zl_1 = 4, N = 5$$

$$N - Z = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (W_{0,1} \vee W_{1,1}) \wedge (W_{0,1} \vee W_{2,1}) \wedge (W_{0,1} \vee W_{3,1}) \wedge (W_{0,1} \vee W_{4,1}) \\
 & \wedge (W_{1,1} \vee W_{2,1}) \wedge (W_{1,1} \vee W_{3,1}) \wedge (W_{1,1} \vee W_{4,1}) \\
 & \wedge (W_{2,1} \vee W_{3,1}) \wedge (W_{2,1} \vee W_{4,1}) \\
 & \wedge (W_{3,1} \vee W_{4,1})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\wedge (\neg W_{0,1} \vee \neg W_{1,1} \vee \neg W_{2,1} \vee \neg W_{3,1} \vee \neg W_{4,1})$$

For the line 4 ($Zl_4 = 1$):

$$S = 6, Z = Zl_4 = 1, N = 5$$

$$N - Z = 4$$

$$(W_{0,4} \vee W_{1,4} \vee W_{2,4} \vee W_{3,4} \vee W_{4,4})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \wedge (\neg W_{0,4} \vee \neg W_{1,4}) \wedge (\neg W_{0,4} \vee \neg W_{2,4}) \wedge (\neg W_{0,4} \vee \neg W_{3,4}) \wedge (\neg W_{0,4} \vee \neg W_{4,4}) \\
 & \wedge (\neg W_{1,4} \vee \neg W_{2,4}) \wedge (\neg W_{1,4} \vee \neg W_{3,4}) \wedge (\neg W_{1,4} \vee \neg W_{4,4}) \\
 & \wedge (\neg W_{2,4} \vee \neg W_{3,4}) \wedge (\neg W_{2,4} \vee \neg W_{4,4}) \\
 & \wedge (\neg W_{3,4} \vee \neg W_{4,4})
 \end{aligned}$$

For the column 3 ($Zc_3 = 0$):

$$S = 5, Z = Zc_3 = 0, N = 6$$

$$N - Z = 6$$

$$\neg W_{3,0} \wedge \neg W_{3,1} \wedge \neg W_{3,2} \wedge \neg W_{3,3} \wedge \neg W_{3,4} \wedge \neg W_{3,5}$$