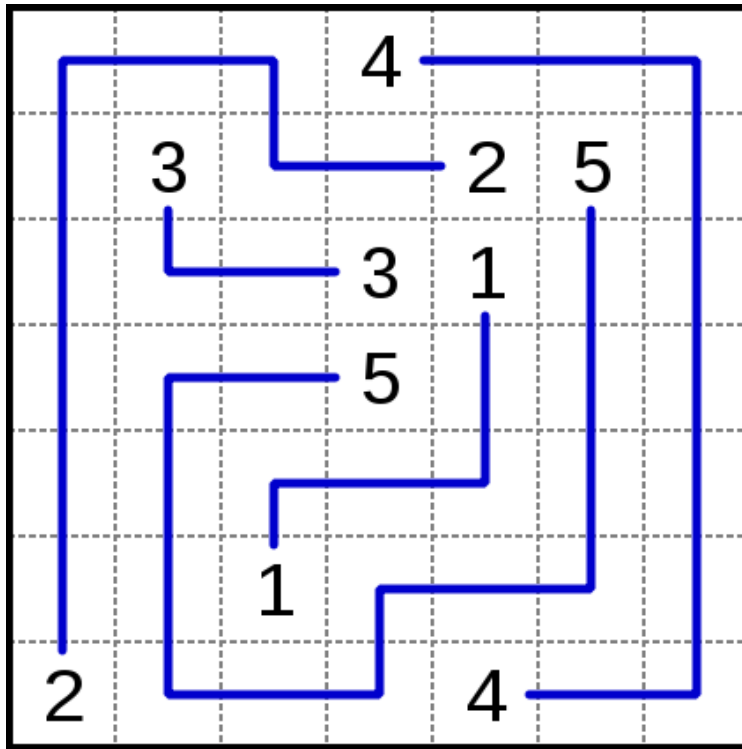




Modeling and Solving AI Problems in Picat

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Pair up all the matching numbers on the grid with single continuous lines (or paths).

- The **lines cannot branch off** or **cross** over each other, and
- the numbers have to fall at the end of each line (i.e., not in the middle).

It is considered all the cells in the grid are filled.

Numberlink: a hard instance



Solved with the sat module of Picat and the Lingeling solver in 40s.

```
import sat.
```

```
numberlink(NP,NR,NC,InputM) =>
```

```
    M = new_array(NP,NR,NC),
```

```
    M :: 0..1,
```

```
    % no two numbers occupy the same square
```

```
    foreach(J in 1..NR, K in 1..NC)
```

```
        sum([M[I,J,K] : I in 1..NP]) #=1
```

```
    end,
```

```
    % connectivity constraints
```

```
    foreach(I in 1..NP, J in 1..NR, K in 1..NC)
```

```
        Neibs = [M[I,J1,K1] : (J1,K1) in [(J-1,K),(J+1,K),(J,K-1),(J,K+1)],
                  J1>=1, K1>=1, J1<=NR, K1<=NC],
```

```
        (InputM[J,K]==I ->
```

```
            M[I,J,K] #=1, sum(Neibs) #= 1
```

```
        ;
```

```
            M[I,J,K] #=> sum(Neibs) #= 2
```

```
        )
```

```
    end,
```

```
    solve(M).
```

1	1	1	0	0	0	0	{0,0,0,4,0,0,0},
1	0	1	1	1	0	0	{0,3,0,0,2,5,0},
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	{0,0,0,3,1,0,0},
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	{0,0,0,5,0,0,0},
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	{0,0,0,0,0,0,0},
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	{0,0,1,0,0,0,0},
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	{2,0,0,0,4,0,0},
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Introduction to Picat

- *Picat's programming constructs*
- *Logic programming*
- *Functional programming*
- *Dynamic programming*

Combinatorial (optimization) problems in Picat

- *A very short introduction to SAT, CP, MIP modules*
- *Sudoku*
- *Golomb ruler*
- *Multi-agent path finding*

Wrap up





Part I:

INTRODUCTION TO PICAT

Why the name “PICAT”?

- Pattern-matching, Intuitive, Constraints, Actors, Tabling

Core logic programming concepts:

- logic variables (arrays and maps are terms)
- implicit pattern-matching and explicit unification
- explicit non-determinism

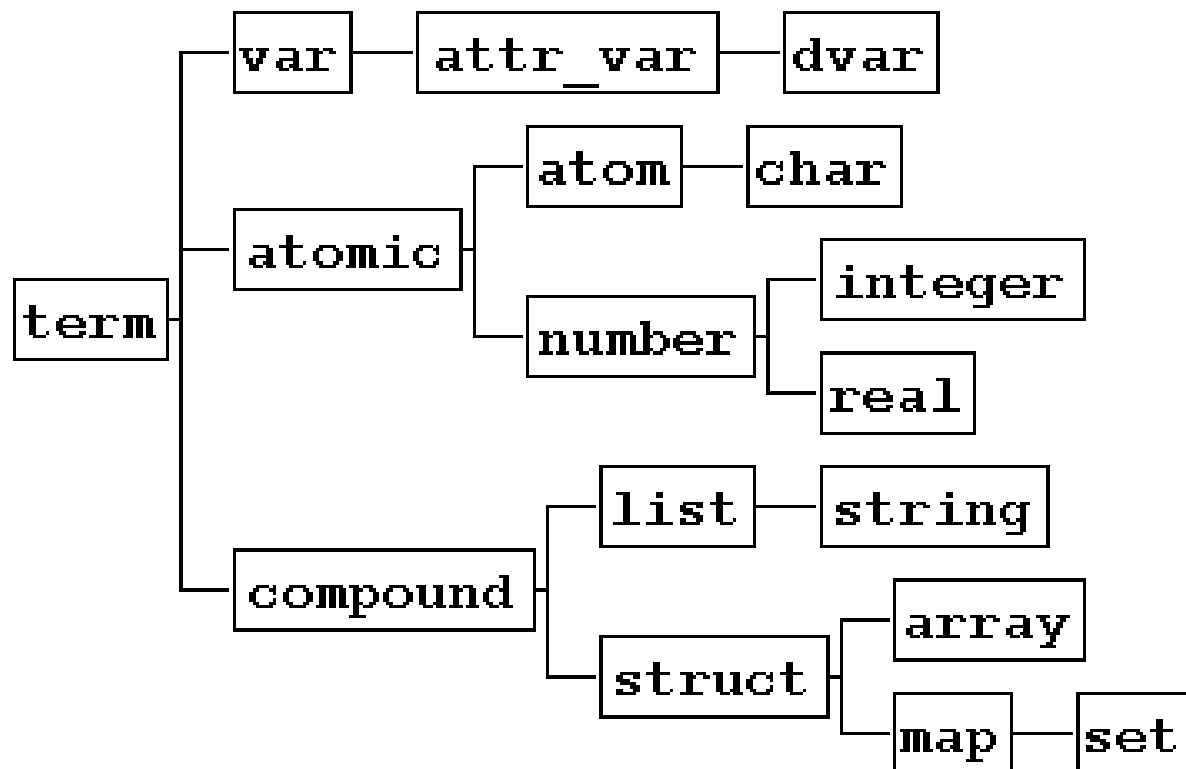
Language constructs for scripting and modeling:

- functions, loops, list and array comprehensions, and assignments

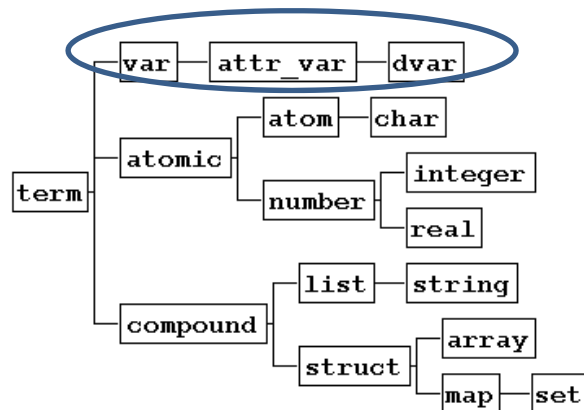
Facilities for combinatorial search:

- tabling for dynamic programming
- the `cp`, `sat`, and `mip` modules for CSPs
- the `planner` module for planning





A variable name begins with a capital letter or the underscore.



```
Picat> var(X)  
yes
```

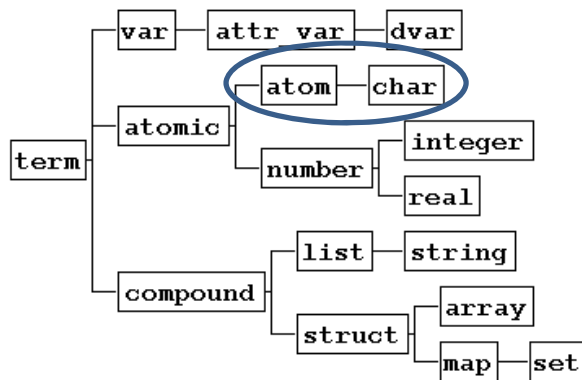
```
Picat> X = a, var(X)  
no
```

```
Picat> X.put_attr(a,1), attr_var(X)  
yes
```

```
Picat> X.put_attr(a,1), Val = X.get_attr(a)  
Val = 1  
yes
```

```
Picat> import cp  
Picat> X :: 1..10, dvar(X)  
X = DV_010b48_1..10  
yes
```

An unquoted atom name begins with a lower-case letter.
A character is a single-letter atom.



```
Picat> atom(abc)
yes
```

```
Picat> atom('_abc')
yes
```

```
Picat> char(a)
yes
```

```
Picat> Code = ord(a)
Code = 97
```

```
Picat> A = chr(97)
A = a
```

yes

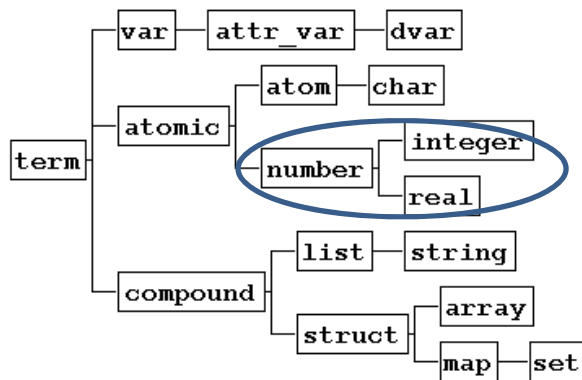
Big = 9999999999999999999999999999

X = 61

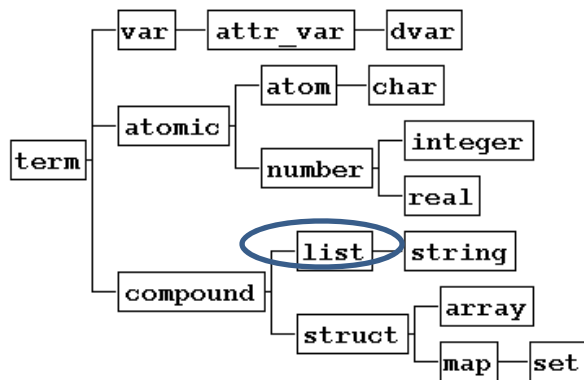
x = 4080

yes

X = 12300000000.0



Lists are singly-linked lists.



```
Picat> L = [a,b,c], list(L)
L = [a,b,c]
yes
```

```
Picat> L = new_list(3)
L = [_101c8,_101d8,_101e8]
```

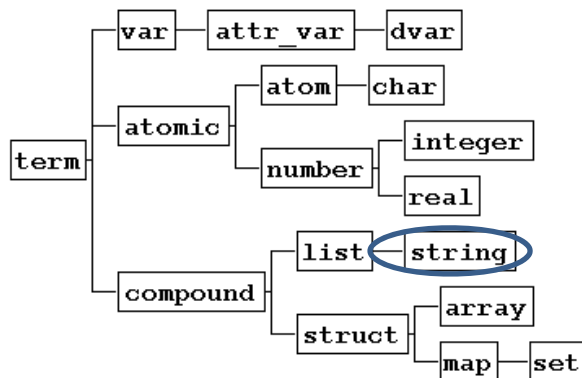
```
Picat> L = 1..2..10
L = [1,3,5,7,9]
```

```
Picat> L = [X : X in 1..10, even(X)]
L = [2,4,6,8,10]
```

```
Picat> L = [a,b,c], Len = len(L)
L = [a,b,c]
Len = 3
```

```
Picat> L = [a,b] ++ [c,d]
L = [a,b,c,d]
```

Strings are lists of characters.



```
Picat> S = "hello"  
S = [h,e,l,l,o]
```

```
Picat> S = "hello" ++ "Picat"  
S = [h,e,l,l,o,'P',i,c,a,t]
```

```
Picat> S = to_string(abc)  
S = [a,b,c]
```

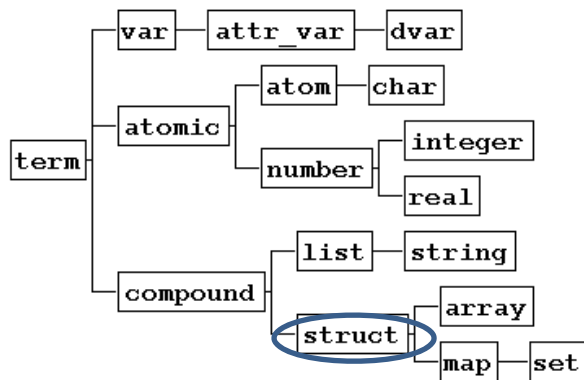
```
Picat> S = to_radix_string(123,16)  
S = ['7','B']
```

```
Picat> X = to_int("123")  
X = 123
```

```
Picat> X = parse_term("[1,2,3]")  
X = [1,2,3]
```

```
Picat> S = $student(mary,cs,3.8)
S = student(mary,cs,3.8)
```

```
Picat> S = new_struct(mary,3)
S = mary(_12ad0,_12ad8,_12ae0)
```



```
Picat> S = $f(a), A = arity(S), N = name(S)
A = 1
N = f
```

```
Picat> And = (a,b)
And = (a,b)
```

```
Picat> Or = (a;b)
Or = (a;b)
```

```
Picat> Constr = (X #= Y)
Constr = (_10f18 #= _10f20)
```

```
Picat> A = {a,b,c}, array(A)
A = {a,b,c}
yes
```

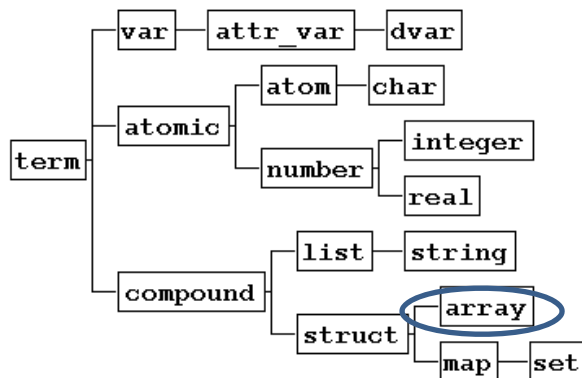
```
Picat> A = new_array(3)
A = {_10528,_10530,_10538}
```

```
Picat> A = new_array(3,3)
A = {{_fdb0,_fdb8,_fdc0},...}
```

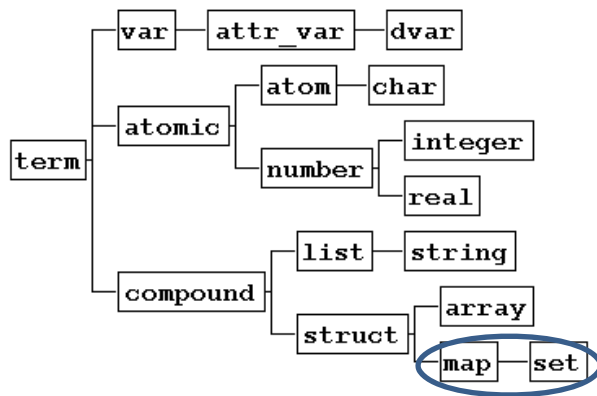
```
Picat> A = {X : X in 1..10, even(X)}
A = {2,4,6,8,10}
```

```
Picat> L = [a,b,c], A = to_array(L)
L = [a,b,c]
A = {a,b,c}
```

```
Picat> A = {a,b} ++ {c,d}
A = {a,b,c,d}
```



Maps and sets are hash tables.



```
Picat> M = new_map([ichi=1, ni=2]), map(M)
M = (map)[ni = 2,ichi = 1]
yes
```

```
Picat> M = new_map([ni=2]), Ni = M.get(ni)
Ni = 2
```

```
Picat> M = new_map(), M.put(ni,2)
M = (map)[ni = 2]
```

```
Picat> M = new_map(), Ni = M.get(ni,unknown)
M = (map)[]
Ni = unknown
```

```
Picat> S = new_set([a,b,c])
S = (map)[c,b,a]
```

```
Picat> S = new_set([a,b,c]), S.has_key(b)
yes
```


$X[l_1, \dots, l_n]$: X references a compound value

Linear-time access of **list** elements.

```
Picat> L = [a,b,c,d], X = L[4]  
X = d
```

Constant-time access of **structure** and **array** elements.

```
Picat> S = $student(mary,cs,3.8), GPA = S[3]  
GPA = 3.8
```

```
Picat> A = {{1, 2, 3}, {4, 5, 6}}, B = A[2, 3]  
B = 6
```

$[T : E_1 \text{ in } D_1, \text{Cond}_1, \dots, E_n \text{ in } D_n, \text{Cond}_n]$

```
Picat> L = [X : X in 1..10, even(X)]  
L = [2,4,6,8,10]
```

```
Picat> L = [(A,I) : A in [a,b], I in 1..2].  
L = [(a,1),(a,2),(b,1),(b,2)]
```

```
Picat> L = [(A,I) : {A,I} in zip([a,b],1..2)]  
L = [(a,1),(b,2)]
```

```
Picat> L = [X : I in 1..5]                % X is local  
L = [_bee8,_bef0,_bef8,_bf00,_bf08]
```

```
Picat> X = _, L = [X : I in 1..5]         % X is non-local  
L = [X,X,X,X,X]
```

O.f(t1,...,tn)

-- means module qualified call if O is atom

-- means f(O,t1,...,tn) otherwise.

```
Picat> Y = 13.to_binary_string()  
Y = ['1', '1', '0', '1']
```

```
Picat> Y = 13.to_binary_string().reverse()  
Y = ['1', '0', '1', '1']
```

% X becomes an attributed variable

```
Picat> X.put_attr(age, 35), X.put_attr(weight, 205), A =  
    X.get_attr(age)  
A = 35
```

% X is a map

```
Picat> X = new_map([age=35, weight=205]), X.put(gender, male)  
X = (map)([age=35, weight=205, gender=male])
```

```
Picat> S = $point(1.0, 2.0), Name = S.name, Arity = S.len  
Name = point  
Arity = 2
```

```
Picat> Pi = math.pi           % module qualifier  
Pi = 3.14159
```

```
foreach(E1 in D1, Cond1 ,..., En in Dn, Condn)  
    Goal  
end
```

Variables that occur within a loop but not before in its outer scope are local to each iteration

```
Picat> A = new_array(5), foreach(I in 1..5) A[I] = X end  
A = {_15bd0,_15bd8,_15be0,_15be8,_15bf0}
```

```
Picat> X = _, A = new_array(5), foreach(I in 1..5) A[I] = X end  
A = {X,X,X,X,X}
```

Non-backtrackable

Backtrackable

Head, Cond => Body.

Head, Cond ?=> Body.

```
member(X,L) ?=> L = [X|_].  
member(X,L) => L = [_|LR], member(X,LR).  
  
membchk(X,[X|_] => true.  
membchk(X,[_|L]) => membchk(X,L).
```

- Pattern-matching rules
 - No laziness or freeze
The call `membchk(X,_)` fails
 - Facilitates indexing
- Explicit unification
- Explicit non-determinism

Head = Exp, Cond => Body.

```
fib(0) = 1.  
fib(1) = 1.  
fib(N) = fib(N-1)+fib(N-2).
```

```
power_set([]) = [[]].  
power_set([H|T]) = P1++P2 =>  
    P1 = power_set(T),  
    P2 = [[H|S] : S in P1].
```

```
qsort([]) = [].  
qsort([H|T]) = qsort([E : E in T, E<H])++  
    [H]++  
    qsort([E : E in T, E>H]).
```

Dynamically typed
List and array
comprehensions
Strict (not lazy)
Higher-order functions

Function calls cannot occur in head patterns.

Index notations, ranges, dot notations, and comprehensions cannot occur in head patterns.

As-patterns:

```
merge([], Ys) = Ys.
```

```
merge(Xs, []) = Xs.
```

```
merge([X|Xs], Ys@[Y|_]) = [X|Zs], X<Y ==>
```

```
    Zs = merge(Xs, Ys).
```

```
merge(Xs, [Y|Ys]) = [Y|Zs] ==>
```

```
    Zs=merge(Xs, Ys).
```

```

main =>
    print("enter an integer:"),
    N = read_int(),
    foreach(I in 0..N)
        Num := 1,
        printf("%*s", N-I, ""),      % print N-I spaces
        foreach(K in 0..I)
            printf("%d ", Num),
            Num := Num*(I-K) div (K+1)
        end,
        nl
    end.

```

SSA (Static Single Assignment)

Loops

```

$ picat pascal
enter an integer:5
    1
    1 1
    1 2 1
    1 3 3 1
    1 4 6 4 1
    1 5 10 10 5 1

```


table

fib(0) = 0.

fib(1) = 1.

fib(N) = fib(N-1)+fib(N-2).

- Linear tabling
- Mode-directed tabling
- Term sharing



Dynamic Programming: Binomial Coefficient

$$\binom{n}{0} = \binom{n}{n} = 1 \quad \text{for all integers } n \geq 0,$$

$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k} \quad \text{for all integers } n, k : 1 \leq k \leq n-1,$$

table

c(, 0) = 1.

c(N, N) = 1.

c(N,K) = c(N-1, K-1) + c(N-1, K).

- Tabled parser

```
% E -> E + T | E - T | T
table
ex(Si,So) ?=>
    ex(Si,S1),
    S1 = ['+'|S2],
    term(S2,So).
ex(Si,So) ?=>
    ex(Si,S1),
    S1 = ['- '|S2],
    term(S2,So).
ex(Si,So) =>
    term(Si,So).
```

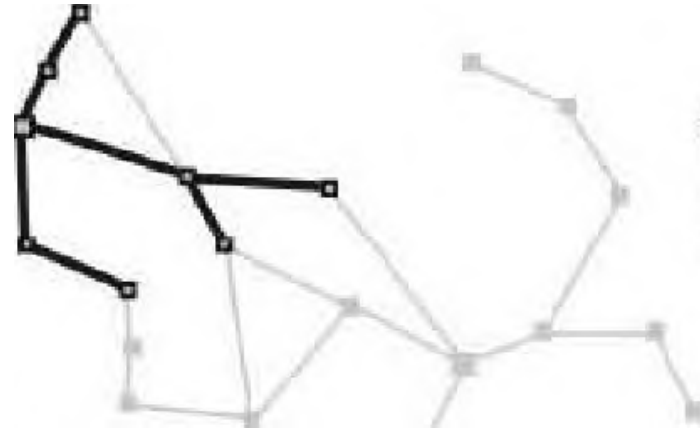
- Non-tabled parser

```
% E -> T E'
ex(Si,So) =>
    term(Si,S1),
    ex_prime(S1,So).

% E' -> + T E' | - T E' | ε
ex_prime(['+'|Si],So) =>
    term(Si,S1),
    ex_prime(S1,So).
ex_prime(['-'|Si],So) =>
    term(Si,S1),
    ex_prime(S1,So).
ex_prime(Si,So) => So = Si.
```

Framework by Pereira and Warren, 1980.

Dynamic Programming: Path-finding



```
table (+,-,min)
path(S,Path,Cost),final(S) =>
    Path=[ ],Cost=0.
path(S,Path,Cost) =>
    action(S,S1,Action,ActionCost),
    path(S1,Path1,Cost1),
    Path = [Action|Path1],
    Cost = Cost1+ActionCost.
```



```
import planner.

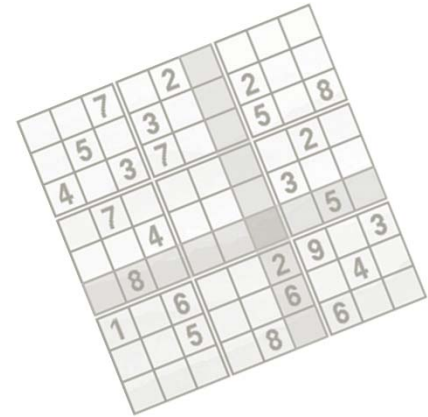
go =>
    S0=[s,s,s,s],
    best_plan(S0,Plan),
    writeln(Plan).

final([n,n,n,n]) => true.

action([F,F,G,C],S1,Action,Cost) ?=>
    Action=farmer_wolf,
    Cost = 1,
    opposite(F,F1),
    S1=[F1,F1,G,C],
    not unsafe(S1).

...
```

- Based on tabling
- Allows use of structures to represent states
- Supports domain knowledge and heuristics
- Provides search predicates
 - Depth-unbounded & depth-bounded
 - IDA & branch-and-bound



Part II.

COMBINATORIAL (OPTIMIZATION) PROBLEMS IN PICAT

```
import cp.
```

```
import sat.
```

```
import mip.
```

Constraints:

Domain

```
X :: Domain, X notin Domain
```

Arithmetic

```
(X #= Y), (X #!= Y), (X #> Y), (X #>= Y), ...
```

Boolean

```
(X #/\ Y), (X #\ / Y), (X #<=> Y), (X #=> Y), (X #^ Y), (#~ X)
```

Table

```
table_in(VarTuple,Tuples), table_notin(VarTuple,Tuples)
```

Global

```
all_different(L), element(I,L,V), circuit(L), cumulative(...), ...
```

Solver invocation:

```
solve(Options,Vars)
```

Example: Send More Money

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{S E N D} \\ + \text{M O R E} \\ \hline \text{M O N E Y} \end{array} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{r} 9\ 5\ 6\ 7 \\ +\ 1\ 0\ 8\ 5 \\ \hline 1\ 0\ 6\ 5\ 2 \end{array}$$

`import cp.` \longrightarrow `import sat.`

Common interface to
CP, SAT, and MIP

```
send_more_money =>
    Vars = [S,E,N,D,M,O,R,Y],
    Vars :: 0..9,
    all_different(Vars),
    S #!= 0,
    M #!= 0,
    1000*S+100*E+10*N+D
    +1000*M+100*O+10*R+E
    #= 10000*M+1000*O+100*N+10*E+Y,
    solve(Vars),                % label variables
    writeln(Vars).
```


Combinatorial puzzle, whose goal is to enter digits 1-9 in cells of 9×9 table in such a way, that no digit appears twice or more in every row, column, and 3×3 sub-grid.

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

Solving Sudoku

x	x	6		①	3			
3	9	x					①	
2	1	8				4		

Use information that each digit appears exactly once in each row, column and sub-grid.

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

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

We can see every cell as a **variable** with possible values from **domain** $\{1, \dots, 9\}$.

There is a binary inequality **constraint** between all pairs of variables in every row, column, and sub-grid.

Such formulation of the problem is called a **constraint satisfaction problem**.

```
import cp.
```

```
sudoku(Board) =>
```

```
    N = Board.length,
```

```
    N1 = ceiling(sqrt(N)),
```

```
    Board :: 1..N,
```

```
    foreach(R in 1..N)
```

```
        all_different([Board[R,C] :
                        C in 1..N])
```

```
    end,
```

```
    foreach(C in 1..N)
```

```
        all_different([Board[R,C] :
                        R in 1..N])
```

```
    end,
```

```
    foreach(R in 1..N)
```

```
        all_different([Board[R,C] :
                        C in 1..N])
```

```
    end,
```

```
    solve(Board).
```

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

```
board(Board) =>
```

```
    Board = {{_, 6, _, 1, _, 4, _, 5, _},
             {_, _, 8, 3, _, 5, 6, _, _},
             {2, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, 1},
             {8, _, _, 4, _, 7, _, _, 6},
             {_, _, 6, _, _, _, 3, _, _},
             {7, _, _, 9, _, 1, _, _, 4},
             {5, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, 2},
             {_, _, 7, 2, _, 6, 9, _, _},
             {_, 4, _, 5, _, 8, _, 7, _}}.
```

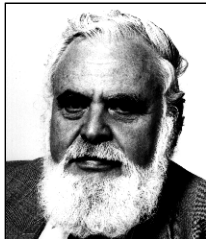
A ruler with M marks such that distances between any two marks are different.

The **shortest ruler** is the optimal ruler.



Hard for $M \geq 16$, no exact algorithm for $M \geq 24$!

Applied in **radioastronomy**.



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<http://csi.usc.edu/faculty/golomb.html>

Golomb ruler table - Microsoft Internet Explorer

Adresa: <http://www.research.ibm.com/people/s/shearer/grtab.html>

Google: Golomb ruler

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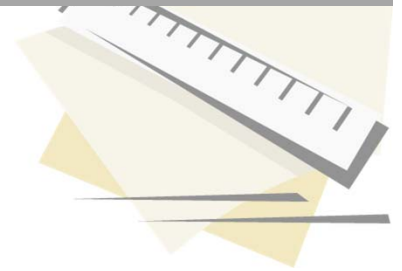
This web page contains a table giving the lengths of the shortest known Golomb rulers for up to 150 marks. The values for 23 marks or less are known to be optimal. For the actual rulers see

- [known optimal rulers](#)
- [best rulers from projective plane construction](#)
- [best rulers from affine plane construction](#)

Table of lengths of shortest known Golomb rulers

marks	length	found by	proved by	comments
1	0			trivial
2	1			trivial
3	3			trivial
4	6			trivial
5	11	1952 WB	1967? RB	hand search
6	17	1952 WB	1967? RB	hand search
7	25	1952 WB	1967? RB	hand search
8	34	1952 WB	1972 WM	hand search
9	44	1972 WM	1972 WM	computer search
10	55	1967 RB	1972 WM	projective plane construction p=9
11	72	1967 RB	1972 WM	projective plane construction p=11
12	85	1967 RB	1979 JR1	projective plane construction p=11
13	106	1981 JR2	1981 JR2	computer search
14	127	1967 RB	1985 JS1	projective plane construction p=13
15	151	1985 JS1	1985 JS1	computer search
16	177	1986 JS1	1986 JS1	computer search
17	199	1984? AH	1993 OS	affine plane construction p=17
18	216	1967 RB	1993 OS	projective plane construction p=17
19	246	1967 RB	1994 DRM	projective plane construction p=19
20	283	1967 RB	1997? GV	projective plane construction p=19
21	333	1967 RB	1998 GV	projective plane construction p=23
22	356	1984? AH	1999 GV	affine plane construction p=23
23	372	1967 RB	1999 GV	projective plane construction p=23
24	425	1967 RB		projective plane construction p=23

Golomb ruler – abstract model



A base model:

Variables X_1, \dots, X_M with the domain $0..M*M$

$X_1 = 0$ *ruler start*

$X_1 < X_2 < \dots < X_M$ *no permutations of variables*

$\forall i < j \ D_{i,j} = X_j - X_i$ *difference variables*

$\text{all_different}(\{D_{1,2}, D_{1,3}, \dots, D_{1,M}, D_{2,3}, \dots, D_{M-1,M}\})$

Model extensions:

$D_{1,2} < D_{M-1,M}$ *symmetry breaking*

better bounds (**implied constraints**) for $D_{i,j}$

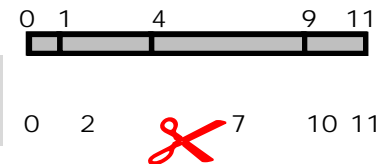
$$D_{i,j} = D_{i,i+1} + D_{i+1,i+2} + \dots + D_{j-1,j}$$

so $D_{i,j} \geq \sum_{j-i} = (j-i)*(j-i+1)/2$ *lower bound*

$$X_M = X_M - X_1 = D_{1,M} = D_{1,2} + D_{2,3} + \dots + D_{i-1,i} + D_{i,j} + D_{j,j+1} + \dots + D_{M-1,M}$$

$$D_{i,j} = X_M - (D_{1,2} + \dots + D_{i-1,i} + D_{j,j+1} + \dots + D_{M-1,M})$$

so $D_{i,j} \leq X_M - (M-1-j+i)*(M-j+i)/2$ *upper bound*



Golomb ruler in Picat

```
import cp.
golomb(M,X) =>
    X = new_list(M),
    X :: 0..(M*M),                % domains for marks
    X[1] = 0,

    foreach(I in 1..(M-1))
        X[I] #< X[I+1]            % no permutaions
    end,

    D = new_array(M,M),           % distances
    foreach(I in 1..(M-1),J in (I+1)..M)
        D[I,J] #= X[J] - X[I],
        D[I,J] #>= (J-I)*(J-I+1)/2,    % bounds
        D[I,J] #=< X[M] - (M-1-J+I)*(M-J+I)/2
    end,

    D[1,2] #< D[M-1,M],            % symmetry breaking
    all_different([D[I,J] : I in 1..(M-1),
                  J in (I+1)..M]),
    solve($[min(X[M])],X).
```

Golomb ruler - some results

What is the effect of different constraint models?

size	base model	base model + symmetry	base model + symmetry + implied constraints
7	12	7	4
8	94	44	21
9	860	353	143
10	7 494	3 212	1 091
11	147 748	57 573	23 851

time in milliseconds on 1,7 GHz Intel Core i7, Picat 1.9#6

What is the effect of different search strategies?

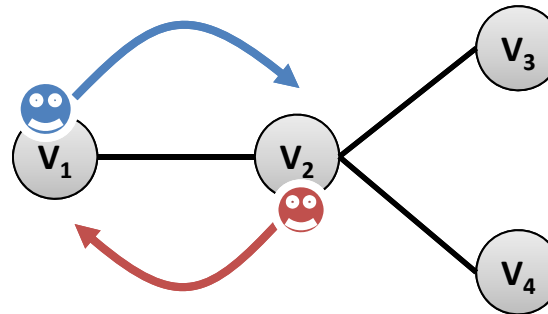
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7	9	9	5	4
8	67	68	23	21
9	537	537	170	143
10	4 834	4 721	1 217	1 091
11	134 071	132 046	26 981	23 851

time in milliseconds on 1,7 GHz Intel Core i7, Picat 1.9#6

Multi-agent path finding (MAPF)

Setting:

- a **graph** (directed or undirected)
- a set of **agents**, each agent is assigned to two locations (nodes) in the graph (start, destination)



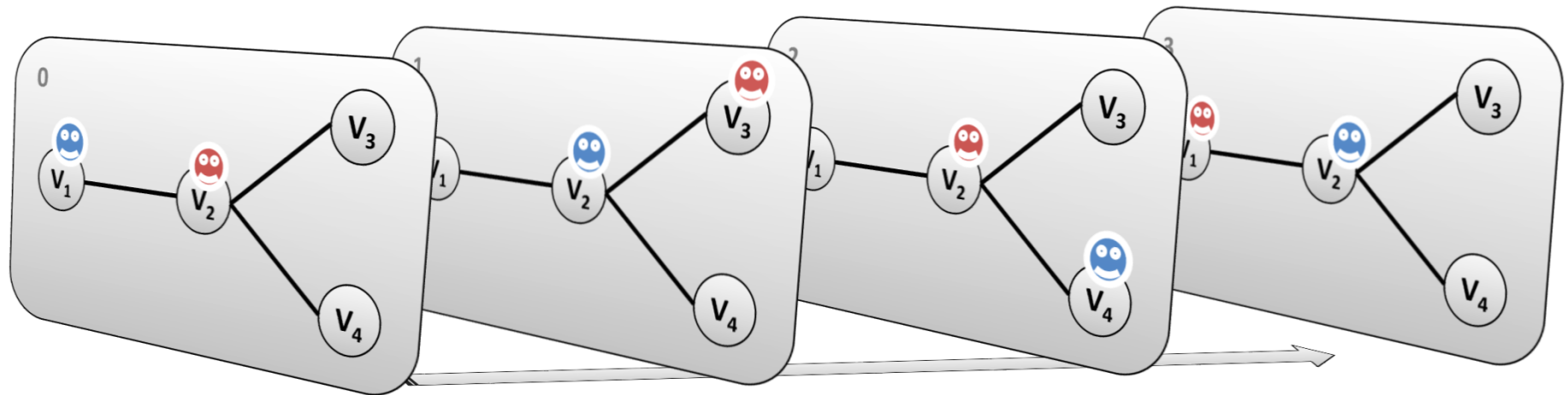
MAPF problem:

Find a **collision-free** plan (path) for each agent.

In MAPF, we do not know the lengths of plans (due to possible re-visits of nodes)!

We can encode plans of a known length using a **layered graph** (temporally extended graph).

Each layer corresponds to one time slice and indicates positions of agents at that time.



Using **layered graph** describing agent positions at each time step

B_{tav} : agent a occupies vertex v at time t

Constraints:

- each agent occupies exactly one vertex at each time.

$$\sum_{v=1}^n B_{tav} = 1 \text{ for } t = 0, \dots, m, \text{ and } a = 1, \dots, k.$$

- no two agents occupy the same vertex at any time.

$$\sum_{a=1}^k B_{tav} \leq 1 \text{ for } t = 0, \dots, m, \text{ and } v = 1, \dots, n.$$

- if agent a occupies vertex v at time t , then a occupies a neighboring vertex or stay at v at time $t + 1$.

$$B_{tav} = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{u \in \text{neibs}(v)} (B_{(t+1)au}) \geq 1$$

Preprocessing:

$B_{tav} = 0$ if agent a cannot reach vertex v at time t or
 a cannot reach the destination being at v at time t

```
import sat.
```

```
path(N,As) =>
```

```
    K = len(As),
    lower_upper_bounds(As, LB, UB),
    between(LB, UB, M),
    B = new_array(M+1, K, N),
    B :: 0..1,
```

Incremental generation of layers

```
    % Initialize the first and last states
    foreach (A in 1..K)
        (V, FV) = As[A],
        B[1, A, V] = 1,
        B[M+1, A, FV] = 1
    end,
```

Setting the initial and destination locations

```
    % Each agent occupies exactly one vertex
    foreach (T in 1..M+1, A in 1..K)
        sum([B[T, A, V] : V in 1..N]) #= 1
    end,
```

Agent occupies one vertex at any time

```
    % No two agents occupy the same vertex
    foreach (T in 1..M+1, V in 1..N)
        sum([B[T, A, V] : A in 1..K]) #=< 1
    end,
```

No conflict between agents

```
    % Every transition is valid
    foreach (T in 1..M, A in 1..K, V in 1..N)
        neibs(V, Neibs),
        B[T, A, V] #=>
            sum([B[T+1, A, U] : U in Neibs]) #>= 1
    end,
```

Agent moves to a neighboring vertex

```
    solve(B),
    output_plan(B).
```

```
        foreach(T in 1..M1, A in 1..K, V in 1..N)
            B[T, A, V] #=> sum([B[Prev, A2, V] :
                A2 in 1..K, A2!=A,
                Prev in max(1, T-L)..T]) #= 0
        end
```

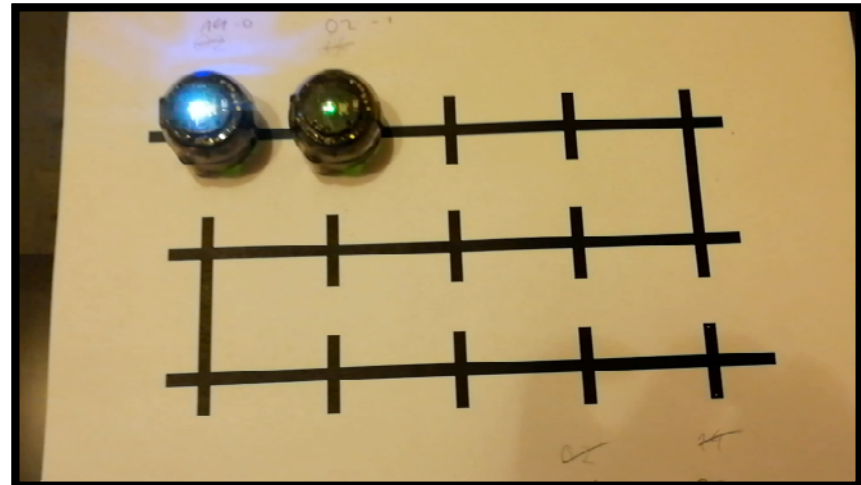
L-robustness

MAPF on real robots

If any agent is delayed then trains may cause collisions during execution.



To prevent such collisions we may introduce more space between agents.



MAPF – some results

Instance	Makespan			Sum of costs		
	Picat	MDD	ASP	Picat	MDD	ICBS
g16_p10_a05	0.27	0.02	10.86	5.68	0.01	0.01
g16_p10_a10	1.37	0.14	9.58	35.82	0.01	0.01
g16_p10_a20	2.76	0.76	26.06	143.35	0.01	0.01
g16_p10_a30	3.11	0.79	>600	495.04	0.52	0.02
g16_p10_a40	8.25	4.71	>600	>600	107.95	>600
g16_p20_a05	1.01	0.16	5.96	16.2	0.01	0.01
g16_p20_a10	1.5	0.31	18.59	92.16	1.58	0.16
g16_p20_a20	2.12	0.46	20.71	209.74	0.6	0.05
g16_p20_a30	4.37	1.45	>600	>600	>600	>600
g16_p20_a40	3.48	1.15	>600	>600	>600	>600
g32_p10_a05	1.98	0.53	12.93	29.91	0.01	0.01
g32_p10_a10	3.08	1.21	31.34	84.92	0.01	0.01
g32_p10_a20	8.71	6.8	105.47	586.71	0.03	0.01
g32_p10_a30	34.48	40.13	274.11	>600	0.22	0.02
g32_p10_a40	34.95	24.87	>600	>600	1.81	0.34
g32_p20_a05	5.75	2.77	11.99	58.27	0.01	0.01
g32_p20_a10	2.97	1.11	33.22	112.2	0.09	0.01
g32_p20_a20	16.93	13.73	101.84	>600	2.5	0.22
g32_p20_a30	12.98	4.54	199.69	>600	1.78	0.05
g32_p20_a40	16.51	8.17	418.56	>600	3.24	0.13
Total solved	20	20	15	12	18	17

Runtime in seconds

WRAP UP

Picat is a logic-based multi-paradigm language that integrates logic programming, functional programming, constraint programming, and scripting.

- logic variables, unification, backtracking, pattern-matching rules, functions, list/array comprehensions, loops, assignments
- tabling for dynamic programming and planning
- **constraint solving** with CP (constraint programming), SAT (satisfiability), and MIP (mixed integer programming).



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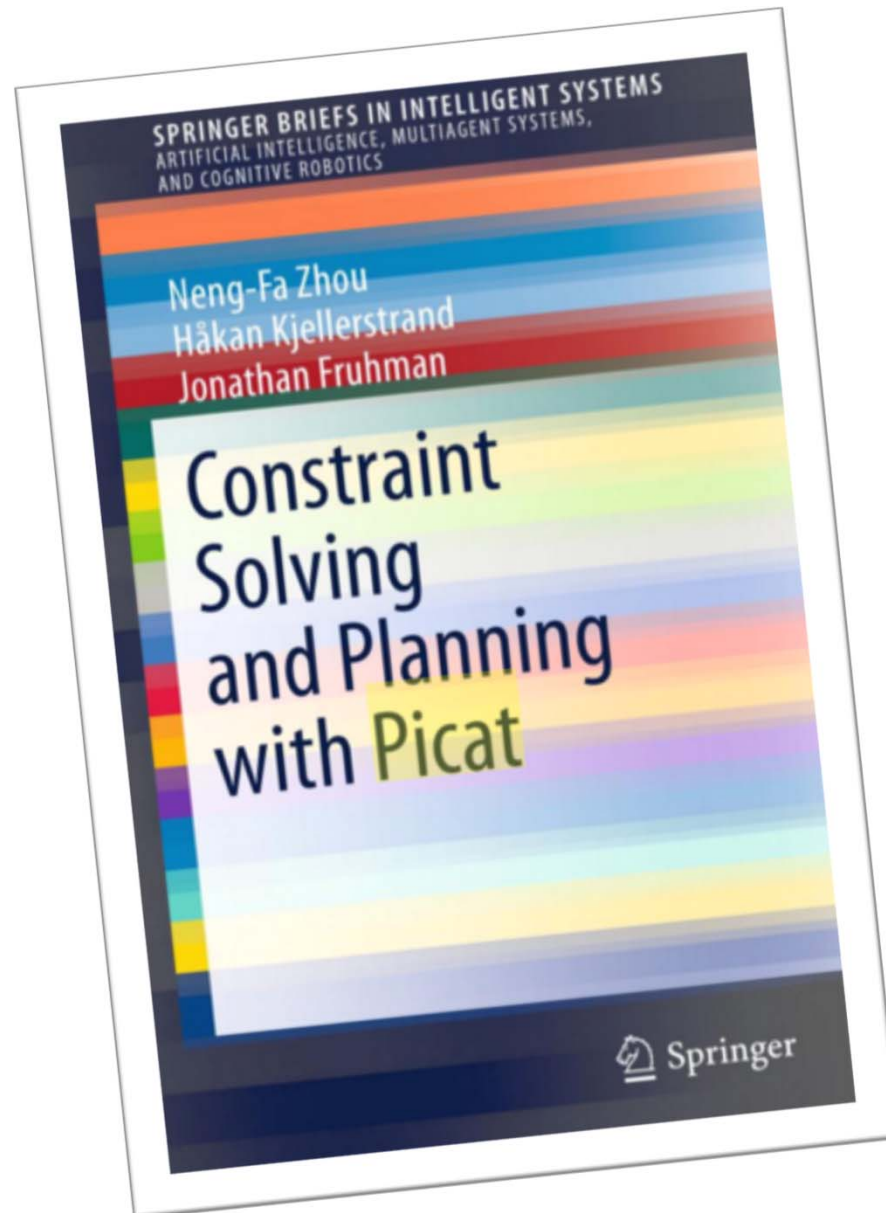


I enjoy programming in Picat because it suites my mindset very well. -- Hakan Kjellerstrand

Thank you for your beautiful project! Using Picat, I felt "at home" almost right away. -- Stefan Kral

The Picat language is really cool; it's a very usable mix of logic, functional, constraint, and imperative programming. Scripts can be made quite short but also easily readable. And the built-in tabling is really cool for speeding up recursive programs. I think Picat is like a perfect Swiss army knife that you can do anything with. -- Lorenz Schiffmann

In some cases the use of Picat simplifies the implementation compared to conventional imperative programming languages, while in others it allows to directly convert the problem statement into an efficiently solvable declarative problem specification without inventing an imperative algorithm. -- Sergii Dumchenko



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