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## Practical Exercise Sheet 1

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## About the submission of this sheet.

- You might submit the solutions to exercises in groups of up to 3 students.
- All students of a group need to be in the same tutorial.
- Hand in the solution in CMS and using "Team Groupings".
- Solutions need to be packaged into a .zip file that contains a single folder with name: AI2022\_PE1\_mat1\_mat2\_mat3, where mat1, mat2, mat3 are the matriculation numbers of the students who submit together.
- This folder must contain the following files:
  - authors.txt listing names and matriculation numbers of all students of your group. Use one line per student and no spaces: Name; Matriculation number.
  - The Z3 files containing your solutions. **Do not rename** the Z3 template files.
  - Your sudoku.log file with the results.
- Do not add any other folder or sub folder, this means place all files directly into AI2022\_PE1\_mat1\_mat2\_mat3. Do not place any file outside of this folder.

## Exercise 1: CSP Modeling in Z3.

(20 Points)

This exercise sheet is accompanied with source files provided through a separate zip archive. You can download this archive from the AI CMS under the *Materials* category. The sheet is about modeling a Sudoku puzzle (see below) as CSP, and solving it using a CSP solver. To do so, we will be using the Z3 theorem prover. In Linux, you can install Z3 with the command sudo apt-get install z3. To run Z3, you have to create a text file in Z3's input language, which you can then pass as command line argument to the Z3 executable. Printing additional information about the solving process can be done through the -st option, e.g., z3 -st path/to/csp.z3. The result of Z3 (sat or unsat) will be printed to the console.

An overview of the Z3 language fragment relevant for this sheet is shown in Table 1. As the input language of this solver allows to represent strictly more general problems than CSPs, you must not use any statement that is not shown in this table. An example file (the Coloring Australia example from the lecture) is available in CMS.

<sup>1</sup>https://github.com/Z3Prover/z3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>An introduction can be found in https://www.philipzucker.com/z3-rise4fun/guide.html.

Encode the following generalized Sudoku puzzle as CSP using the Z3 language fragment depicted in Table 1. When testing intermediate states of your encoding, please be aware that solving models not including all constraints might take much more time than solving the fully specified one.

The goal of this puzzle is to fill the empty cells in the board with numbers from 1 to 9 complying with the constraints listed below. We use  $\langle i,j \rangle$  to denote the value of the cell with x=i and y=j. An illustration of the following constraints can be found in Figure 1.

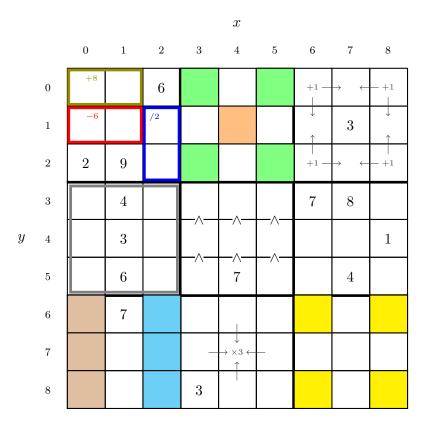


Figure 1: Illustration of the generalized Sudoku puzzle.

## 1. Typical Sudoku constraints:

- (a) Numbers cannot be repeated in any row, column, or 3x3 square.
- (b) Cells whose values are already specified must be assigned to the respective values.

- 2. Top left  $3 \times 3$  square: The numbers must comply with the arithmetic expressions drawn in the figure:
  - (a) (0,0) + (1,0) = 8
  - (b) (0,1) (1,1) = 6
  - (c)  $\langle 2, 2 \rangle / \langle 2, 1 \rangle = 2$
- 3. Top middle  $3 \times 3$  square: The values of the green cells must be either all odd or all even. Moreover, if the green cells contain odd numbers, then the orange cell must contain an even number. If the green cells contain even numbers, then the orange cell must contain an odd number.
- 4. Top right  $3 \times 3$  square: For every corner cell of this square, one of the horizontally or vertically adjacent cells must equal the value plus 1. When for example the cell (0,3) = 3, then either (0,4) = 4 or (1,3) = 4.
- 5. Middle left  $3 \times 3$  square: The sum of all rows in this square must be equal, i.e.,  $\langle 0,3 \rangle + \langle 1,3 \rangle + \langle 2,3 \rangle = \langle 0,4 \rangle + \langle 1,4 \rangle + \langle 2,4 \rangle = \langle 0,5 \rangle + \langle 1,5 \rangle + \langle 2,5 \rangle$ .
- 6. Center  $3 \times 3$  square: Numbers must comply with the inequalities. More specifically:
  - (a)  $\langle 3, 3 \rangle < \langle 3, 4 \rangle < \langle 3, 5 \rangle$
  - (b)  $\langle 4, 3 \rangle < \langle 4, 4 \rangle < \langle 4, 5 \rangle$
  - (c)  $\langle 5, 3 \rangle < \langle 5, 4 \rangle < \langle 5, 5 \rangle$
- 7. Bottom left  $3 \times 3$  square: Multiplying the sums of the two indicated columns gives an odd number:  $(\langle 0,6 \rangle + \langle 0,7 \rangle + \langle 0,8 \rangle) \times (\langle 2,6 \rangle + \langle 2,7 \rangle + \langle 2,8 \rangle)$  must be odd.
- 8. Bottom middle  $3 \times 3$  square: The sum of the indicated cells must be equal to three times the value of the center cell. In other words:  $\langle 4,6 \rangle + \langle 3,7 \rangle + \langle 4,8 \rangle + \langle 5,7 \rangle = 3 \times \langle 4,7 \rangle$
- 9. Bottom right  $3 \times 3$  square: at most one of the yellow cells may contain a value larger than 4.

Statement	Description
General	
(check-sat)	Checks whether the CSP defined up to this point is
	satisfiable.
(declare-const var Int)	Declares a new variable with name var.
(assert E)	Adds boolean expression E as constraint.
(get-value (E))	Prints the value of E, where E can be an arbitrary ex-
	pression such as constant, variable, function, or math-
	ematical or boolean combination thereof (must occur
	after (check-sat)).
(get-model)	Prints all variable assignments (must occur after
	(check-sat)).
(echo "message")	Prints message to the console.
; This is a comment	Commenting.
Mathematical Expressions	
c	Constants $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
var	Evaluates to the value of variable var.
(Board x1 y2)	Evaluates to the value of the cell with coordinates $\langle 1, 2 \rangle$
$(\circ E_1 \ldots E_n)$	Evaluates to $E_1 \circ E_2 \circ \cdots \circ E_n$ , where $\circ$ can be any of
	+, -, and *.
Boolean Expressions	
true	Constant for true.
false	Constant for false.
(not $E$ )	Negation of the boolean expression $E$ .
(and $E_1 \ldots E_n$ )	Conjunction over the boolean expressions $E_1$ to $E_n$ .
(or $E_1 \ldots E_n$ )	Disjunction over the boolean expressions $E_1$ to $E_n$ .
$(\circ E_1 \ldots E_n)$	Is true iff for the evaluation of the expressions $E_1$ to
	$E_n$ , it holds that $E_1 \circ E_2$ and $E_2 \circ E_3$ ,, and $E_{n-1} \circ E_n$ ,
	where $\circ$ can be any of $<$ , $<=$ , $>=$ , and $=$ .
(distinct $E_1 \ldots E_n$ )	Is true iff every expression $E_1$ to $E_n$ evaluates to a
	different value.

Table 1: Z3 input language fragment you may use for the CSP modeling exercises.