# Formalization of "Knight's Tour Revisited"

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#### Abstract

This is a formalization of [1]. In [1] the existence of a Knight's path is proved for arbitrary  $n \times m$ -boards with  $\min(n, m) \geq 5$ . If  $n \cdot m$  is even, then there exists a Knight's circuit.

A Knight's Path is a sequence of moves of a Knight on a chessboard s.t. the Knight visits every square of a chessboard exactly once. Finding a Knight's path is a an instance of the Hamiltonian path problem.

During the formalization two mistakes in the original proof in [1] were discovered. These mistakes are corrected in this formalization.

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### 1 Introduction and Definitions

A Knight's path is a sequence of moves on a chessboard s.t. every step in sequence is a valid move for a Knight and that the Knight visits every square on the boards exactly once. A Knight is a chess figure that is only able to move two squares vertically and one square horizontally or two squares horizontally and one square vertically. Finding a Knight's path is an instance of the Hamiltonian Path Problem. A Knight's circuit is a Knight's path, where additionally the Knight can move from the last square to the first square of the path, forming a loop.

[1] proves the existence of a Knight's path on a  $n \times m$ -board for sufficiently large n and m. The main idea for the proof is to inductively construct a Knight's path for the  $n \times m$ -board from a few pre-computed Knight's paths for small boards, i.e.  $5 \times 5$ ,  $8 \times 6$ , ...,  $8 \times 9$ . The paths for small boards are transformed (i.e. transpose, mirror, translate) and concatenated to create paths for larger boards.

While formalizing the proofs I discovered two mistakes in the original proof in [1]: (i) the pre-computed path for the  $6 \times 6$ -board that ends in the upper-left (in Figure 2) and (ii) the pre-computed path for the  $8 \times 8$ -board that ends in the upper-left (in Figure 5) are incorrect. I.e. on the  $6 \times 6$ -board the Knight cannot step from square 26 to square 27; in the  $8 \times 8$ -board the Knight cannot step from square 27 to square 28. In this formalization I have replaced the two incorrect paths with correct paths.

A square on a board is identified by its coordinates.

type-synonym  $square = int \times int$ 

A board is represented as a set of squares. Note, that this allows boards to have an arbitrary shape and do not necessarily need to be rectangular.

type-synonym board = square set

A (rectangular)  $(n \times m)$ -board is the set of all squares (i,j) where  $1 \leq i \leq n$ 

and  $1 \leq j \leq m$ . (1,1) is the lower-left corner, and (n,m) is the upper-right corner.

```
definition board :: nat \Rightarrow nat \Rightarrow board where board n m = \{(i,j) | i \ j. \ 1 \le i \land i \le int \ n \land 1 \le j \land j \le int \ m\}
```

A path is a sequence of steps on a board. A path is represented by the list of visited squares on the board. Each square on the  $(n \times m)$ -board is identified by its coordinates (i,j).

```
type-synonym path = square list
```

A Knight can only move two squares vertically and one square horizontally or two squares horizontally and one square vertically. Thus, a knight at position (i,j) can only move to  $(i\pm 1,j\pm 2)$  or  $(i\pm 2,j\pm 1)$ .

```
definition valid-step :: square \Rightarrow square \Rightarrow bool where valid-step s_i \ s_j \equiv (case \ s_i \ of \ (i,j) \Rightarrow s_j \in \{(i+1,j+2),(i-1,j+2),(i+1,j-2),(i-1,j-2),(i+2,j+1),(i-2,j+1),(i-2,j-1)\})
```

Now we define an inductive predicate that characterizes a Knight's path. A square  $s_i$  can be pre-pended to a current Knight's path  $s_j \# ps$  if (i) there is a valid step from the square  $s_i$  to the first square  $s_j$  of the current path and (ii) the square  $s_i$  has not been visited yet.

```
inductive knights-path :: board \Rightarrow path \Rightarrow bool where knights-path \{s_i\} [s_i] |s_i \notin b \Longrightarrow valid\text{-step } s_i s_j \Longrightarrow knights\text{-path } b \ (s_j \# ps) \Longrightarrow knights\text{-path } (b \cup \{s_i\}) \ (s_i \# s_j \# ps)
```

```
code-pred knights-path \langle proof \rangle
```

A sequence is a Knight's circuit iff the sequence if a Knight's path and there is a valid step from the last square to the first square.

```
definition knights-circuit b ps \equiv (knights-path \ b ps \land valid-step \ (last \ ps) \ (hd \ ps))
```

### 2 Executable Checker for a Knight's Path

This section gives the implementation and correctness-proof for an executable checker for a knights-path wrt. the definition *knights-path*.

#### 2.1 Implementation of an Executable Checker

```
fun row-exec :: nat \Rightarrow int \ set \ \mathbf{where}

row\text{-}exec \ \theta = \{\}

\mid row\text{-}exec \ m = insert \ (int \ m) \ (row\text{-}exec \ (m-1))

fun board\text{-}exec\text{-}aux :: } nat \Rightarrow int \ set \Rightarrow board \ \mathbf{where}

board\text{-}exec\text{-}aux \ \theta \ M = \{\}
```

```
| board-exec-aux k M = \{(int \ k,j) \ | j, j \in M\} \cup board-exec-aux \ (k-1) \ M
Compute a board.
fun board-exec :: nat \Rightarrow nat \Rightarrow board where
  board-exec n m = board-exec-aux n (row-exec m)
fun step-checker :: square \Rightarrow square \Rightarrow bool where
  step\text{-}checker\ (i,j)\ (i',j') =
   ((i+1,j+2)=(i',j')\vee(i-1,j+2)=(i',j')\vee(i+1,j-2)=(i',j')\vee(i-1,j-2)
= (i',j')
   \lor (i+2,j+1) = (i',j') \lor (i-2,j+1) = (i',j') \lor (i+2,j-1) = (i',j') \lor (i-2,j-1)
= (i',j')
fun path-checker :: board \Rightarrow path \Rightarrow bool where
  path-checker b \mid \mid = False
| path\text{-}checker \ b \ [s_i] = (\{s_i\} = b)
\{s_i\}) (s_j \# ps))
fun circuit-checker :: board \Rightarrow path \Rightarrow bool where
  circuit-checker b ps = (path-checker b ps \land step-checker (last ps) (hd ps))
2.2
        Correctness Proof of the Executable Checker
lemma row-exec-leq: j \in row-exec m \longleftrightarrow 1 \le j \land j \le int m
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma board-exec-aux-leq-mem: (i,j) \in board-exec-aux k \in M \longleftrightarrow 1 \leq i \wedge i \leq int
k \wedge j \in M
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma board-exec-leq: (i,j) \in board-exec n \in A \subseteq A i \in A
\leq int m
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma board-exec-correct: board n m = board-exec n m
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma step-checker-correct: step-checker s_i s_j \longleftrightarrow valid-step s_i s_j
\langle proof \rangle
lemma step-checker-rev: step-checker (i,j) (i',j') \Longrightarrow step-checker (i',j') (i,j)
  \langle proof \rangle
\mathbf{lemma} \ knights\text{-}path\text{-}intro\text{-}rev:
  assumes s_i \in b valid-step s_i s_j knights-path (b - \{s_i\}) (s_j \# ps)
 shows knights-path b (s_i \# s_j \# ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
```

Final correctness corollary for the executable checker path-checker.

```
lemma path-checker-correct: path-checker b ps \longleftrightarrow knights-path b ps
\langle proof \rangle
corollary knights-path-exec-simp: knights-path (board n m) ps \longleftrightarrow path-checker
(board-exec \ n \ m) \ ps
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma circuit-checker-correct: circuit-checker b ps \longleftrightarrow knights-circuit b ps
  \langle proof \rangle
corollary knights-circuit-exec-simp:
  knights-circuit (board n m) ps \longleftrightarrow circuit-checker (board-exec n m) ps
  \langle proof \rangle
3
      Basic Properties of knights-path and knights-circuit
lemma board-leq-subset: n_1 \leq n_2 \wedge m_1 \leq m_2 \Longrightarrow board \ n_1 \ m_1 \subseteq board \ n_2 \ m_2
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma finite-row-exec: finite (row-exec m)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma finite-board-exec-aux: finite M \Longrightarrow finite (board-exec-aux n M)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma board-finite: finite (board n m)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma card-row-exec: card (row-exec m) = m
\langle proof \rangle
lemma set-comp-ins:
  \{(k,j) \mid j. \ j \in insert \ x \ M\} = insert \ (k,x) \ \{(k,j) \mid j. \ j \in M\} \ (is \ ?Mi = ?iM)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma finite-card-set-comp: finite M \Longrightarrow card \{(k,j) \mid j. \ j \in M\} = card M
lemma card-board-exec-aux: finite M \Longrightarrow card (board-exec-aux k M) = k * card M
\langle proof \rangle
lemma card-board: card (board n m) = n * m
\langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-board-non-empty: knights-path b ps \Longrightarrow b \neq \{\}
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-board-m-n-geq-1: knights-path (board n m) ps \implies min n m \ge
```

```
\langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-non-nil: knights-path b ps \Longrightarrow ps \neq []
lemma knights-path-set-eq: knights-path b ps \Longrightarrow set ps = b
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-subset:
  knights-path b_1 ps_1 \Longrightarrow knights-path b_2 ps_2 \Longrightarrow set ps_1 \subseteq set ps_2 \longleftrightarrow b_1 \subseteq b_2
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-board-unique: knights-path b_1 ps \Longrightarrow knights-path b_2 ps \Longrightarrow
b_1 = b_2
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma valid-step-neq: valid-step s_i \ s_j \Longrightarrow s_i \neq s_j
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma valid-step-non-transitive: valid-step s_i s_j \Longrightarrow valid-step s_i s_k \Longrightarrow \neg valid-step
s_i s_k
\langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-distinct: knights-path b ps \Longrightarrow distinct ps
\langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-length: knights-path b ps \Longrightarrow length ps = card b
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-take:
  assumes knights-path b ps 0 < k k < length ps
  shows knights-path (set (take k ps)) (take k ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-drop:
  assumes knights-path b ps 0 < k k < length ps
  shows knights-path (set (drop k ps)) (drop k ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
A Knight's path can be split to form two new disjoint Knight's paths.
corollary knights-path-split:
  assumes knights-path b ps 0 < k k < length ps
    \exists b_1 \ b_2. \ knights-path b_1 \ (take \ k \ ps) \land knights-path b_2 \ (drop \ k \ ps) \land b_1 \cup b_2 = b
\land b_1 \cap b_2 = \{\}
  \langle proof \rangle
Append two disjoint Knight's paths.
```

corollary knights-path-append:

```
assumes knights-path b_1 ps<sub>1</sub> knights-path b_2 ps<sub>2</sub> b_1 \cap b_2 = \{\} valid-step (last
ps_1) (hd ps_2)
 shows knights-path (b_1 \cup b_2) (ps_1 @ ps_2)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma valid-step-rev: valid-step s_i s_j \Longrightarrow valid-step s_i s_i
  \langle proof \rangle
Reverse a Knight's path.
\textbf{corollary} \ \textit{knights-path-rev}:
  assumes knights-path b ps
 shows knights-path b (rev ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
Reverse a Knight's circuit.
{\bf corollary}\ \mathit{knights\text{-}\mathit{circuit\text{-}\mathit{rev}}}.
  assumes knights-circuit b ps
 shows knights-circuit b (rev ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-circuit-rotate1:
 assumes knights-circuit b (s_i \# ps)
  shows knights-circuit b (ps@[s_i])
\langle proof \rangle
A Knight's circuit can be rotated to start at any square on the board.
lemma knights-circuit-rotate-to:
  assumes knights-circuit b ps hd (drop \ k \ ps) = s_i \ k < length \ ps
 shows \exists ps'. knights-circuit b ps' \land hd ps' = s_i
For positive boards (1,1) can only have (2,3) and (3,2) as a neighbour.
lemma valid-step-1-1:
 assumes valid-step (1,1) (i,j) i > 0 j > 0
 shows (i,j) = (2,3) \lor (i,j) = (3,2)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma list-len-g-1-split: length xs > 1 \Longrightarrow \exists x_1 \ x_2 \ xs'. \ xs = x_1 \# x_2 \# xs'
lemma list-len-g-3-split: length xs > 3 \Longrightarrow \exists x_1 \ x_2 \ xs' \ x_3. \ xs = x_1 \# x_2 \# xs' @[x_3]
\langle proof \rangle
Any Knight's circuit on a positive board can be rotated to start with (1,1)
```

and end with (3,2).

```
corollary rotate-knights-circuit:
 assumes knights-circuit (board n m) ps min n m \geq 5
 shows \exists ps. knights-circuit (board n m) ps \land hd ps = (1,1) \land last ps = (3,2)
```

#### 4 Transposing Paths and Boards

### Implementation of Path and Board Transposition

```
definition transpose-square s_i = (case \ s_i \ of \ (i,j) \Rightarrow (j,i))
fun transpose :: path \Rightarrow path where
  transpose [] = []
| transpose (s_i \# ps) = (transpose - square s_i) \# transpose ps
definition transpose-board :: board <math>\Rightarrow board where
  transpose-board b \equiv \{(j,i) \mid i \ j. \ (i,j) \in b\}
```

### Correctness of Path and Board Transposition

```
lemma transpose2: transpose-square (transpose-square s_i) = s_i
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma transpose-nil: ps = [] \longleftrightarrow transpose ps = []
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma transpose-length: length <math>ps = length (transpose ps)
lemma hd-transpose: ps \neq [] \implies hd (transpose ps) = transpose-square (hd ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
\textbf{lemma} \ \textit{last-transpose} : \textit{ps} \neq [] \Longrightarrow \textit{last} \ (\textit{transpose} \ \textit{ps}) = \textit{transpose-square} \ (\textit{last} \ \textit{ps})
\langle proof \rangle
lemma take-transpose:
  shows take\ k\ (transpose\ ps) = transpose\ (take\ k\ ps)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma drop-transpose:
  shows drop \ k \ (transpose \ ps) = transpose \ (drop \ k \ ps)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma transpose-board-correct: s_i \in b \longleftrightarrow (transpose\text{-}square\ s_i) \in transpose\text{-}board
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma transpose-board: transpose-board (board n m) = board m n
  \langle proof \rangle
```

```
\mathbf{lemma}\ insert\text{-}transpose\text{-}board:
  insert\ (transpose\text{-}square\ s_i)\ (transpose\text{-}board\ b) = transpose\text{-}board\ (insert\ s_i\ b)
lemma transpose-board2: transpose-board (transpose-board b) = b
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma transpose-union: transpose-board (b_1 \cup b_2) = transpose-board b_1 \cup trans-
pose-board b_2
  \langle proof \rangle
{f lemma}\ transpose	ext{-}valid	ext{-}step:
  valid-step s_i \ s_j \longleftrightarrow valid-step (transpose-square s_i) (transpose-square s_j)
lemma transpose-knights-path':
  assumes knights-path b ps
 shows knights-path (transpose-board b) (transpose ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
corollary transpose-knights-path:
  assumes knights-path (board n m) ps
  shows knights-path (board m n) (transpose ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
corollary transpose-knights-circuit:
  assumes knights-circuit (board n m) ps
  shows knights-circuit (board m n) (transpose ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
```

### 5 Mirroring Paths and Boards

#### 5.1 Implementation of Path and Board Mirroring

```
abbreviation min1\ ps \equiv Min\ ((fst)\ `set\ ps)

abbreviation max1\ ps \equiv Max\ ((fst)\ `set\ ps)

abbreviation min2\ ps \equiv Min\ ((snd)\ `set\ ps)

abbreviation max2\ ps \equiv Max\ ((snd)\ `set\ ps)

definition mirror1-square ::\ int \Rightarrow square \Rightarrow square\ where

mirror1-square n\ s_i = (case\ s_i\ of\ (i,j) \Rightarrow (n-i,j))

fun mirror1-aux ::\ int \Rightarrow path \Rightarrow path\ where

mirror1-aux n\ []=[]

|\ mirror1-aux n\ (s_i\#ps) = (mirror1-square n\ s_i)\#mirror1-aux n\ ps

definition mirror1\ ps = mirror1-aux (max1\ ps + min1\ ps)\ ps
```

```
definition mirror1-board :: int \Rightarrow board \Rightarrow board where
  mirror1-board n b \equiv \{mirror1\text{-square } n \ s_i \ | s_i. \ s_i \in b\}
definition mirror2-square :: int \Rightarrow square \Rightarrow square where
  mirror2-square m \ s_i = (case \ s_i \ of \ (i,j) \Rightarrow (i,m-j))
fun mirror2-aux :: int \Rightarrow path \Rightarrow path where
  mirror2-aux m [] = []
| mirror2-aux m (s_i \# ps) = (mirror2-square m s_i) \# mirror2-aux m ps
definition mirror2 ps = mirror2-aux (max2 ps + min2 ps) ps
definition mirror2-board :: int \Rightarrow board \Rightarrow board where
  mirror2-board m b \equiv \{mirror2-square m s_i | s_i. s_i \in b\}
5.2
        Correctness of Path and Board Mirroring
lemma mirror1-board-id: mirror1-board (int n+1) (board n m) = board n m (is -
= ?b)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma mirror2-board-id: mirror2-board (int m+1) (board n m) = board n m (is -
= ?b)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-min1: knights-path (board n m) ps \implies min1 ps = 1
\langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-min2: knights-path (board n m) ps \implies min2 \ ps = 1
\langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-max1: knights-path (board n m) ps \implies max1 ps = int n
\langle proof \rangle
lemma knights-path-max2: knights-path (board n m) ps \implies max2 ps = int m
\langle proof \rangle
lemma mirror1-aux-nil: ps = [] \longleftrightarrow mirror1-aux m ps = []
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma mirror1-nil: ps = [] \longleftrightarrow mirror1 \ ps = []
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma mirror2-aux-nil: ps = [] \longleftrightarrow mirror2-aux m ps = []
lemma mirror2-nil: ps = [] \longleftrightarrow mirror2 \ ps = []
  \langle proof \rangle
```

```
lemma length-mirror1-aux: length ps = length (mirror1-aux n ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma length-mirror1: length ps = length (mirror1 ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma length-mirror2-aux: length ps = length (mirror2-aux n ps)
lemma length-mirror2: length ps = length (mirror2 ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma mirror1-board-iff: s_i \notin b \longleftrightarrow mirror1-square \ n \ s_i \notin mirror1-board \ n \ b
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma mirror2-board-iff:s_i \notin b \longleftrightarrow mirror2-square n \ s_i \notin mirror2-board n \ b
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma insert-mirror1-board:
  insert (mirror1-square n s_i) (mirror1-board n b) = mirror1-board n (insert s_i b)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma insert-mirror2-board:
  insert\ (mirror2\text{-}square\ n\ s_i)\ (mirror2\text{-}board\ n\ b) = mirror2\text{-}board\ n\ (insert\ s_i\ b)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma (i::int) = i'+1 \implies n-i=n-(i'+1)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma \ valid-step-mirror1:
  valid-step s_i \ s_j \longleftrightarrow valid-step (mirror1-square n \ s_i) \ (mirror1-square n \ s_j)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma valid-step-mirror2:
  valid-step s_i \ s_j \longleftrightarrow valid-step (mirror2-square m \ s_i) \ (mirror2-square m \ s_i)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma hd-mirror1:
  assumes knights-path (board n m) ps hd ps = (i,j)
  shows hd (mirror1 ps) = (int n+1-i,j)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma last-mirror1-aux:
  assumes ps \neq [] last ps = (i,j)
 shows last (mirror1-aux \ n \ ps) = (n-i,j)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma last-mirror1:
  assumes knights-path (board n m) ps last ps = (i,j)
```

```
shows last (mirror1 \ ps) = (int \ n+1-i,j)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma hd-mirror2:
 assumes knights-path (board n m) ps hd ps = (i,j)
 shows hd (mirror2 ps) = (i,int m+1-j)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma last-mirror2-aux:
 assumes ps \neq [] last ps = (i,j)
 shows last (mirror2-aux m ps) = (i, m-j)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma last-mirror2:
 assumes knights-path (board n m) ps last ps = (i,j)
 shows last (mirror2\ ps) = (i,int\ m+1-j)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma mirror1-aux-knights-path:
 assumes knights-path b ps
 shows knights-path (mirror1-board n b) (mirror1-aux n ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
corollary mirror1-knights-path:
 assumes knights-path (board n m) ps
 shows knights-path (board n m) (mirror1 ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma mirror2-aux-knights-path:
 assumes knights-path b ps
 shows knights-path (mirror2-board n b) (mirror2-aux n ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
corollary mirror2-knights-path:
 assumes knights-path (board n m) ps
 shows knights-path (board n m) (mirror2 ps)
\langle proof \rangle
```

#### 5.3 Rotate Knight's Paths

Transposing (transpose) and mirroring (along first axis mirror1) a Knight's path preserves the Knight's path's property. Transpose+Mirror1 equals a 90deg-clockwise turn.

```
corollary rot90-knights-path:
assumes knights-path (board n m) ps
shows knights-path (board m n) (mirror1 (transpose ps)) \langle proof \rangle
```

lemma hd-rot 90-knights-path:

```
assumes knights-path (board n m) ps hd ps = (i,j) shows hd (mirror1 (transpose ps)) = (int \ m+1-j,i) \langle proof \rangle

lemma last-rot90-knights-path:
assumes knights-path (board n m) ps last ps = (i,j) shows last (mirror1 (transpose ps)) = (int \ m+1-j,i) \langle proof \rangle
```

### 6 Translating Paths and Boards

When constructing knight's paths for larger boards multiple knight's paths for smaller boards are concatenated. To concatenate paths the the coordinates in the path need to be translated. Therefore, simple auxiliary functions are provided.

#### 6.1 Implementation of Path and Board Translation

```
Translate the coordinates for a path by (k_1,k_2).
```

```
fun trans-path :: int \times int \Rightarrow path \Rightarrow path where trans-path (k_1,k_2) [] = [] | trans-path (k_1,k_2) ((i,j)\#xs) = (i+k_1,j+k_2)\#(trans-path (k_1,k_2) xs)
```

Translate the coordinates of a board by  $(k_1,k_2)$ .

```
definition trans-board :: int \times int \Rightarrow board \Rightarrow board where trans-board t b \equiv (case \ t \ of \ (k_1,k_2) \Rightarrow \{(i+k_1,j+k_2)|i\ j.\ (i,j) \in b\})
```

#### 6.2 Correctness of Path and Board Translation

```
lemma trans-path-length: length ps = length (trans-path (k_1,k_2) ps) \langle proof \rangle
lemma trans-path-non-nil: ps \neq [] \implies trans-path (k_1,k_2) ps \neq []
```

```
\langle proof \rangle
lemma trans-path-correct: (i,j) \in set\ ps \longleftrightarrow (i+k_1,j+k_2) \in set\ (trans-path\ (k_1,k_2))
```

```
remma trans-path-correct: (i,j) \in set\ ps \longleftrightarrow (i+k_1,j+k_2) \in set\ (trans-path\ (k_1,k_2),ps)
\langle proof \rangle
```

```
lemma trans-path-non-nil-last:

ps \neq [] \Longrightarrow last (trans-path (k_1,k_2) \ ps) = last (trans-path (k_1,k_2) ((i,j)\#ps))

\langle proof \rangle
```

```
lemma hd-trans-path:
```

```
assumes ps \neq [] hd ps = (i,j)
shows hd (trans-path (k_1,k_2) ps) = (i+k_1,j+k_2)
\langle proof \rangle
```

```
lemma last-trans-path:
  assumes ps \neq [] last ps = (i,j)
  shows last (trans-path (k_1,k_2) ps) = (i+k_1,j+k_2)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma take-trans:
  shows take k (trans-path (k_1,k_2) ps) = trans-path (k_1,k_2) (take k ps)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma drop-trans:
 shows drop k (trans-path (k_1,k_2) ps) = trans-path (k_1,k_2) (drop k ps)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma trans-board-correct: (i,j) \in b \longleftrightarrow (i+k_1,j+k_2) \in trans-board (k_1,k_2) b
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma board-subset: n_1 \leq n_2 \Longrightarrow m_1 \leq m_2 \Longrightarrow board \ n_1 \ m_1 \subseteq board \ n_2 \ m_2
Board concatenation
corollary board-concat:
  shows board n \ m_1 \cup trans-board \ (\theta, int \ m_1) \ (board \ n \ m_2) = board \ n \ (m_1+m_2)
(is ?b1 \cup ?b2 = ?b)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma transpose-trans-board:
  transpose-board (trans-board (k_1,k_2) b) = trans-board (k_2,k_1) (transpose-board b)
  \langle proof \rangle
corollary board-concatT:
 shows board n_1 m \cup trans-board (int n_1, \theta) (board n_2 m) = board (n_1+n_2) m (is
?b_1 \cup ?b_2 = ?b
\langle proof \rangle
lemma trans-valid-step:
  valid-step (i,j) (i',j') \Longrightarrow valid-step (i+k_1,j+k_2) (i'+k_1,j'+k_2)
  \langle proof \rangle
Translating a path and a boards preserves the validity.
lemma trans-knights-path:
  assumes knights-path b ps
  shows knights-path (trans-board (k_1,k_2) b) (trans-path (k_1,k_2) ps)
  \langle proof \rangle
Predicate that indicates if two squares s_i and s_j are adjacent in ps.
definition step-in :: path \Rightarrow square \Rightarrow square \Rightarrow bool where
 step-in ps s_i \ s_j \equiv (\exists k. \ 0 < k \land k < length \ ps \land last \ (take \ k \ ps) = s_i \land hd \ (drop
k ps) = s_i
```

```
lemma step-in-Cons: step-in ps s_i s_j \Longrightarrow step-in (s_k \# ps) s_i s_j
\langle proof \rangle
lemma step-in-append: step-in ps s_i s_j \Longrightarrow step-in (ps@ps') s_i s_j
lemma step-in-prepend: step-in ps s_i s_j \Longrightarrow step-in (ps'@ps) s_i s_j
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma step-in-valid-step: knights-path b ps \implies step-in ps s_i s_j \implies valid-step s_i
\langle proof \rangle
lemma trans-step-in:
 step-in \ ps \ (i,j) \ (i',j') \Longrightarrow step-in \ (trans-path \ (k_1,k_2) \ ps) \ (i+k_1,j+k_2) \ (i'+k_1,j'+k_2)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma transpose-step-in:
  step-in \ ps \ s_i \ s_j \Longrightarrow step-in \ (transpose \ ps) \ (transpose-square \ s_i) \ (transpose-square \ s_i)
  (\mathbf{is} - \Longrightarrow step-in ?psT ?s_iT ?s_jT)
\langle proof \rangle
lemma hd-take: 0 < k \Longrightarrow hd \ xs = hd \ (take \ k \ xs)
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma last-drop: k < length xs \Longrightarrow last xs = last (drop k xs)
  \langle proof \rangle
```

#### 6.3 Concatenate Knight's Paths and Circuits

Concatenate two knight's path on a  $n \times m$ -board along the 2nd axis if the first path contains the step  $s_i \to s_j$  and there are valid steps  $s_i \to hd \ ps_2'$  and  $s_j \to last \ ps_2'$ , where  $ps_2'$  is  $ps_2$  is translated by  $m_1$ . An arbitrary step in  $ps_2$  is preserved.

```
corollary knights-path-split-concat-si-prev:

assumes knights-path (board n m_1) ps_1 knights-path (board n m_2) ps_2

step-in\ ps_1\ s_i\ s_j\ hd\ ps_2=(i_h,j_h)\ last\ ps_2=(i_l,j_l)\ step-in\ ps_2\ (i,j)\ (i',j')

valid\text{-step}\ s_i\ (i_h,int\ m_1+j_h)\ valid\text{-step}\ (i_l,int\ m_1+j_l)\ s_j

shows \exists\ ps.\ knights\text{-path}\ (board\ n\ (m_1+m_2))\ ps\ \land\ hd\ ps=hd\ ps_1

\land\ last\ ps=\ last\ ps_1\ \land\ step-in\ ps\ (i,int\ m_1+j)\ (i',int\ m_1+j')

\langle\ proof\ \rangle

lemma len1\text{-}hd\text{-}last:\ length\ xs=1\Longrightarrow hd\ xs=last\ xs
```

Weaker version of  $[knights-path\ (board\ ?n\ ?m_1)\ ?ps_1;\ knights-path\ (board\ ?n\ ?m_2)\ ?ps_2;\ step-in\ ?ps_1\ ?s_i\ ?s_j;\ hd\ ?ps_2=(?i_h,\ ?j_h);\ last\ ?ps_2=(?i_l,\ ?j_l);$ 

```
step-in ?ps_2 (?i, ?j) (?i', ?j'); valid-step ?s_i (?i<sub>h</sub>, int ?m_1 + ?j_h); valid-step (?i<sub>l</sub>, int ?m_1 + ?j_l) ?s_j] \Longrightarrow \exists ps. knights-path (board ?n (?m_1 + ?m_2)) ps \land hd ps = hd ?ps_1 \land last ps = last ?ps_1 \land step-in ps (?i, int ?m_1 + ?j) (?i', int ?m_1 + ?j').
```

**corollary** *knights-path-split-concat*:

```
assumes knights-path (board n m_1) ps_1 knights-path (board n m_2) ps_2 step-in ps_1 s_i s_j hd ps_2 = (i_h, j_h) last ps_2 = (i_l, j_l) valid-step s_i (i_h, int m_1+j_h) valid-step (i_l, int m_1+j_l) s_j shows \exists ps. knights-path (board n (m_1+m_2)) ps \land hd ps = hd ps_1 \land last ps = last ps_1 \langle proof \rangle
```

Concatenate two knight's path on a  $n \times m$ -board along the 1st axis.

```
\mathbf{corollary}\ knights	ext{-}path	ext{-}split	ext{-}concat T:
```

```
assumes knights-path (board n_1 m) ps_1 knights-path (board n_2 m) ps_2 step-in ps_1 s_i s_j hd ps_2 = (i_h, j_h) last ps_2 = (i_l, j_l) valid-step s_i (int n_1 + i_h, j_h) valid-step (int n_1 + i_l, j_l) s_j shows \exists ps. knights-path (board (n_1 + n_2) m) ps \land hd ps = hd ps_1 \land last ps = last ps_1 \langle proof \rangle
```

Concatenate two Knight's path along the 2nd axis. There is a valid step from the last square in the first Knight's path  $ps_1$  to the first square in the second Knight's path  $ps_2$ .

```
corollary knights-path-concat:
```

```
assumes knights-path (board n m_1) ps_1 knights-path (board n m_2) ps_2 hd ps_2 = (i_h, j_h) valid-step (last ps_1) (i_h, int \ m_1 + j_h) shows knights-path (board n (m_1 + m_2)) (ps_1 @ (trans-path (0, int \ m_1) ps_2)) \langle proof \rangle
```

Concatenate two Knight's path along the 2nd axis. The first Knight's path end in  $(2,m_1-1)$  (lower-right) and the second Knight's paths start in (1,1) (lower-left).

```
corollary knights-path-lr-concat:
```

```
assumes knights-path (board n m_1) ps_1 knights-path (board n m_2) ps_2 last ps_1 = (2, int \ m_1 - 1) hd ps_2 = (1, 1) shows knights-path (board n (m_1 + m_2)) (ps_1 @ (trans-path (0, int \ m_1) ps_2)) \langle proof \rangle
```

Concatenate two Knight's circuits along the 2nd axis. In the first Knight's path the squares  $(2, m_1 - 1)$  and  $(4, m_1)$  are adjacent and the second Knight's circuit starts in (1,1) (lower-left) and end in (3,2).

#### ${\bf corollary}\ \mathit{knights-circuit-lr-concat}:$

```
assumes knights-circuit (board n m_1) ps_1 knights-circuit (board n m_2) ps_2 step-in ps_1 (2,int m_1-1) (4,int m_1) hd ps_2 = (1,1) last ps_2 = (3,2) step-in ps_2 (2,int m_2-1) (4,int m_2)
```

```
shows \exists ps. knights-circuit (board <math>n(m_1+m_2)) ps \land step-in ps (2,int (m_1+m_2)-1)
(4,int (m_1+m_2))
\langle proof \rangle
```

#### Parsing Paths 7

In this section functions are implemented to parse and construct paths. The parser converts the matrix representation ((nat list) list) used in [1] to a path (path).

```
for debugging
fun test-path :: path \Rightarrow bool where
  test-path (s_i \# s_j \# xs) = (step-checker s_i \ s_j \land test-path (s_j \# xs))
| test-path - = True
fun f-opt :: ('a \Rightarrow 'a) \Rightarrow 'a \ option \Rightarrow 'a \ option where
  f-opt - None = None
| f\text{-}opt f (Some \ a) = Some (f \ a)
fun add-opt-fst-sq :: int \Rightarrow square \ option \Rightarrow square \ option \ \mathbf{where}
  add-opt-fst-sq - None = None
| add\text{-}opt\text{-}fst\text{-}sq \ k \ (Some \ (i,j)) = Some \ (k+i,j)
fun find-k-in-col :: nat \Rightarrow nat \ list \Rightarrow int \ option \ \mathbf{where}
  find-k-in-col\ k\ []=None
| find-k-in-col \ k \ (c\#cs) = (if \ c = k \ then \ Some \ 1 \ else \ f-opt \ ((+) \ 1) \ (find-k-in-col \ k
cs))
fun find-k-sqr :: nat \Rightarrow (nat \ list) \ list \Rightarrow square \ option \ \mathbf{where}
  find-k-sqr \ k \ [] = None
\mid find\text{-}k\text{-}sqr \ k \ (r\#rs) = (case \ find\text{-}k\text{-}in\text{-}col \ k \ r \ of \ substitute{} 
      None \Rightarrow f-opt (\lambda(i,j), (i+1,j)) (find-k-sqr k rs)
    | Some j \Rightarrow Some (1,j) |
Auxiliary function to easily parse pre-computed boards from paper.
```

```
fun to-sqrs :: nat \Rightarrow (nat \ list) \ list \Rightarrow path \ option \ \mathbf{where}
  to-sqrs \theta rs = Some []
\mid to\text{-}sqrs \ k \ rs = (case \ find\text{-}k\text{-}sqr \ k \ rs \ of \ )
       None \Rightarrow None
    | Some s_i \Rightarrow f-opt (\lambda ps. ps@[s_i]) (to-sqrs (k-1) rs))
fun num-elems :: (nat \ list) \ list \Rightarrow nat \ \mathbf{where}
  num\text{-}elems\ (r\#rs) = length\ r * length\ (r\#rs)
```

Convert a matrix (nat list list) to a path (path). With this function we implicitly define the lower-left corner to be (1,1) and the upper-right corner to be (n,m).

```
definition to-path rs \equiv to-sqrs (num-elems rs) (rev rs) Example 

value to-path [[3,22,13,16,5], [12,17,4,21,14], [23,2,15,6,9], [18,11,8,25,20], [1,24,19,10,7::nat]]
```

## 8 Knight's Paths for $5 \times m$ -Boards

Given here are knight's paths, kp5xmlr and kp5xmur, for the  $(5 \times m)$ -board that start in the lower-left corner for  $m \in \{5,6,7,8,9\}$ . The path kp5xmlr ends in the lower-right corner, whereas the path kp5xmur ends in the upper-right corner. The tables show the visited squares numbered in ascending order.

abbreviation  $b5x5 \equiv board \ 5 \ 5$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 5)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the lower-right.

3	22	13	16	5
12	17	4	21	14
23	2	15	6	9
18	11	8	25	20
1	24	19	10	7

```
abbreviation kp5x5lr \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path) \ [[3,22,13,16,5], \ [12,17,4,21,14], \ [23,2,15,6,9], \ [18,11,8,25,20], \ [1,24,19,10,7]]) lemma kp\text{-}5x5\text{-}lr\text{:}\ knights\text{-}path\ b5x5\ kp5x5lr\ \langle proof\rangle lemma kp\text{-}5x5\text{-}lr\text{-}hd\text{:}\ hd\ kp5x5lr = (1,1)\ \langle proof\rangle lemma kp\text{-}5x5\text{-}lr\text{-}last\text{:}\ last\ kp5x5lr = (2,4)\ \langle proof\rangle lemma kp\text{-}5x5\text{-}lr\text{-}non\text{-}nil\text{:}\ kp5x5lr \neq []\ \langle proof\rangle
```

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 5)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-right.

7	12	15	20	5
16	21	6	25	14
11	8	13	4	19
22	17	2	9	24
1	10	23	18	3

```
abbreviation kp5x5ur \equiv the (to-path
```

```
 \begin{array}{l} [[7,12,15,20,5],\\ [16,21,6,25,14],\\ [11,8,13,4,19],\\ [22,17,2,9,24],\\ [1,10,23,18,3]])\\ \mathbf{lemma}\ kp\text{-}5x5\text{-}ur:\ knights\text{-}path\ b5x5\ kp5x5ur}\\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
```

lemma kp-5x5-ur-hd: hd kp5 $x5ur = (1,1) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x5-ur-last: last kp5x5ur = (4,4)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x5-ur-non-nil:  $kp5x5ur \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

abbreviation  $b5x6 \equiv board \ 5 \ 6$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 6)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the lower-right.

7	14	21	28	5	12
22	27	6	13	20	29
15	8	17	24	11	4
26	23	2	9	30	19
1	16	25	18	3	10

**abbreviation**  $kp5x6lr \equiv the (to-path$ 

```
 \begin{aligned} & [[7,14,21,28,5,12],\\ & [22,27,6,13,20,29],\\ & [15,8,17,24,11,4],\\ & [26,23,2,9,30,19],\\ & [1,16,25,18,3,10]]) \end{aligned}
```

lemma kp-5x6-lr: knights-path b5x6 kp5x6lr  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-5x6-lr-hd: hd kp5x6lr = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-5x6-lr-last: last <math>kp5x6 $lr = (2,5) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x6-lr-non-nil:  $kp5x6lr \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 6)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-right.

3	10	29	20	5	12
28	19	4	11	30	21
9	2	17	24	13	6
18	27	8	15	22	25
1	16	23	26	7	14

```
abbreviation kp5x6ur \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[3,10,29,20,5,12], \ [28,19,4,11,30,21], \ [9,2,17,24,13,6], \ [18,27,8,15,22,25], \ [1,16,23,26,7,14]]) lemma kp-5x6-ur: knights\text{-}path\ b5x6\ kp5x6ur\ \langle proof \rangle
```

**lemma** kp-5x6-ur-hd: hd kp5 $x6ur = (1,1) \langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-5x6-ur-last: last <math>kp5 $x6ur = (4,5) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x6-ur-non- $nil: <math>kp5x6ur \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

abbreviation  $b5x7 \equiv board 5 7$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 7)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the lower-right.

3	12	21	30	5	14	23
20	29	4	13	22	31	6
11	2	19	32	7	24	15
28	33	10	17	26	35	8
1	18	27	34	9	16	25

```
abbreviation kp5x7lr \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[3,12,21,30,5,14,23], \ [20,29,4,13,22,31,6], \ [11,2,19,32,7,24,15], \ [28,33,10,17,26,35,8], \ [1,18,27,34,9,16,25]]) lemma kp\text{-}5x7\text{-}lr\text{:}\ knights\text{-}path\ b5x7\ kp5x7lr\ \langle proof \rangle
```

**lemma** kp-5x7-lr-hd: hd kp5x7lr = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-5x7-lr-last:  $last <math>kp5x7lr = (2,6) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma  $kp-5x7-lr-non-nil: kp5x7lr \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 7)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-right.

3	32	11	34	5	26	13
10	19	4	25	12	35	6
31	2	33	20	23	14	27
18	9	24	29	16	7	22
1	30	17	8	21	28	15

**abbreviation**  $kp5x7ur \equiv the (to-path$ 

```
 \begin{array}{l} [[3,32,11,34,5,26,13],\\ [10,19,4,25,12,35,6],\\ [31,2,33,20,23,14,27],\\ [18,9,24,29,16,7,22],\\ [1,30,17,8,21,28,15]]) \end{array}
```

lemma kp-5x7-ur: knights-path b5x7 kp5x7ur  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-5x7-ur-hd: hd kp5x7ur = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-5x7-ur-last: last <math>kp5x7 $ur = (4,6) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x7-ur-non-nil: kp5x7 $ur <math>\neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

**abbreviation**  $b5x8 \equiv board \ 5 \ 8$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 8)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the lower-right.

3	12	37	26	5	14	17	28
34	23	4	13	36	27	6	15
11	2	35	38	25	16	29	18
22	33	24	9	20	31	40	7
1	10	21	32	39	8	19	30

**abbreviation**  $kp5x8lr \equiv the (to-path$ 

```
[[3,12,37,26,5,14,17,28],

[34,23,4,13,36,27,6,15],

[11,2,35,38,25,16,29,18],

[22,33,24,9,20,31,40,7],
```

[1,10,21,32,39,8,19,30]

lemma kp-5x8-lr: knights-path b5x8 kp5x8lr  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x8-lr-hd: hd kp5x8<math>lr = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-5x8-lr-last: last <math>kp5 $x8lr = (2,7) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x8-lr-non-nil: <math>kp5 $x8lr \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 8)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-right.

33	8	17	38	35	6	15	24
18	37	34	7	16	25	40	5
9	32	29	36	39	14	23	26
30	19	2	11	28	21	4	13
1	10	31	20	3	12	27	22

**abbreviation**  $kp5x8ur \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path)$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} [[33,8,17,38,35,6,15,24],\\ [18,37,34,7,16,25,40,5],\\ [9,32,29,36,39,14,23,26],\\ [30,19,2,11,28,21,4,13],\\ [1,10,31,20,3,12,27,22]]) \end{array}$ 

lemma kp-5x8-ur: knights-path b5x8 kp5x8ur  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x8-ur-hd: hd kp5x8ur = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x8-ur-last: last kp5x8ur = (4,7)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma  $kp-5x8-ur-non-nil: kp5x8ur \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

abbreviation  $b5x9 \equiv board \ 5 \ 9$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 9)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the lower-right.

9	4	11	16	23	42	33	36	25
12	17	8	3	32	37	24	41	34
5	10	15	20	43	22	35	26	29
18	13	2	7	38	31	28	45	40
1	6	19	14	21	44	39	30	27

**abbreviation**  $kp5x9lr \equiv the (to-path$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} [[9,4,11,16,23,42,33,36,25],\\ [12,17,8,3,32,37,24,41,34],\\ [5,10,15,20,43,22,35,26,29],\\ [18,13,2,7,38,31,28,45,40], \end{array}$ 

```
\begin{array}{l} [1,6,19,14,21,44,39,30,27]])\\ \mathbf{lemma}\ kp\text{-}5x9\text{-}lr:\ knights\text{-}path\ b5x9\ kp5x9lr}\\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
```

**lemma** kp-5x9-lr-hd: hd kp5x9lr = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x9-lr-last: last <math>kp5x9 $lr = (2,8) \langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-5x9-lr-non-nil: kp5x9 $lr \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 9)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-right.

9	4		16	27	32	35	40	25
12	17	8	3	36	41	26	45	34
5	10	15	20	31	28	33	24	39
18	13	2	7	42	37	22	29	44
1	6	19	14	21	30	43	38	23

```
abbreviation kp5x9ur \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[9,4,11,16,27,32,35,40,25], \ [12,17,8,3,36,41,26,45,34], \ [5,10,15,20,31,28,33,24,39], \ [18,13,2,7,42,37,22,29,44], \ [1,6,19,14,21,30,43,38,23]]) lemma kp\text{-}5x9\text{-}ur\text{:}\ knights\text{-}path\ b5x9\ kp5x9ur\ \langle proof \rangle
```

**lemma** kp-5x9-ur-hd: hd kp $5x9<math>ur = (1,1) \langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-5x9-ur-last: last <math>kp5x9 $ur = (4,8) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-5x9-ur-non-nil: kp5x9 $ur \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

#### lemmas kp-5xm-lr =

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\begin{array}{l} kp-5x5-lr\ kp-5x5-lr-hd\ kp-5x5-lr-last\ kp-5x5-lr-non-nil\\ kp-5x6-lr\ kp-5x6-lr-hd\ kp-5x6-lr-last\ kp-5x6-lr-non-nil\\ kp-5x7-lr\ kp-5x7-lr-hd\ kp-5x7-lr-last\ kp-5x7-lr-non-nil\\ kp-5x8-lr\ kp-5x8-lr-hd\ kp-5x8-lr-last\ kp-5x8-lr-non-nil\\ kp-5x9-lr\ kp-5x9-lr-hd\ kp-5x9-lr-last\ kp-5x9-lr-non-nil\\ \end{array}
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#### lemmas kp-5xm-ur =

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\begin{array}{l} kp-5x5-ur\ kp-5x5-ur-hd\ kp-5x5-ur-last\ kp-5x5-ur-non-nil\\ kp-5x6-ur\ kp-5x6-ur-hd\ kp-5x6-ur-last\ kp-5x6-ur-non-nil\\ kp-5x7-ur\ kp-5x7-ur-hd\ kp-5x7-ur-last\ kp-5x7-ur-non-nil\\ kp-5x8-ur\ kp-5x8-ur-hd\ kp-5x8-ur-last\ kp-5x8-ur-non-nil\\ kp-5x9-ur\ kp-5x9-ur-hd\ kp-5x9-ur-last\ kp-5x9-ur-non-nil\\ \end{array}
```

For every  $5 \times m$ -board with  $m \geq 5$  there exists a knight's path that starts

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in (1,1) (bottom-left) and ends in (2,m-1) (bottom-right).
```

 $\mathbf{lemma}\ knights$ -path-5xm-lr-exists:

 $\langle proof \rangle$ 

```
assumes m \geq 5 shows \exists ps. knights-path (board 5 m) ps <math>\land hd ps = (1,1) \land last ps = (2,int m-1)
```

For every  $5 \times m$ -board with  $m \geq 5$  there exists a knight's path that starts in (1,1) (bottom-left) and ends in (4,m-1) (top-right).

 $\mathbf{lemma}\ knights ext{-}path ext{-}5xm ext{-}ur ext{-}exists:$ 

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assumes m \geq 5 shows \exists ps. knights-path (board 5 m) ps \wedge hd ps = (1,1) \wedge last ps = (4,int m-1) \langle proof \rangle
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5 \leq ?m \Longrightarrow \exists ps. \ knights-path \ (board \ 5 \ ?m) \ ps \land hd \ ps = (1, \ 1) \land last \ ps = (2, \ int \ ?m - 1) \ and \ 5 \leq ?m \Longrightarrow \exists \ ps. \ knights-path \ (board \ 5 \ ?m) \ ps \land hd \ ps = (1, \ 1) \land last \ ps = (2, \ int \ ?m - 1) \ formalize \ Lemma \ 1 \ from \ [1].
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 ${\bf lemmas}\ knights-path-5xm-exists=knights-path-5xm-lr-exists\ knights-path-5xm-ur-exists$ 

### 9 Knight's Paths and Circuits for $6 \times m$ -Boards

abbreviation  $b6x5 \equiv board \ 6 \ 5$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(6 \times 5)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

10	19	4	29	12
3	30	11	20	5
18	9	24	13	28
25	2	17	6	21
16	23	8	27	14
1	26	15	22	7

```
abbreviation kp6x5ul \equiv the (to-path
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 \begin{array}{l} [[10,19,4,29,12],\\ [3,30,11,20,5],\\ [18,9,24,13,28],\\ [25,2,17,6,21],\\ [16,23,8,27,14],\\ [1,26,15,22,7]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ \ kp-6x5-ul: \ knights-path \ \ b6x5 \ kp6x5ul\\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
```

**lemma** kp-6x5-ul-hd: hd kp6x5ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-6x5-ul-last: last <math>kp6 $x5ul = (5,2) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-6x5-ul-non-nil: kp $6x5<math>ul \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(6 \times 5)$ -board.

16	9	6	27	18
7	26	17	14	5
10	15	8	19	28
25	30	23	4	13
22	11	2	29	20
1	24	21	12	3

**abbreviation**  $kc6x5 \equiv the (to\text{-}path$ 

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 \begin{array}{l} [[16,9,6,27,18],\\ [7,26,17,14,5],\\ [10,15,8,19,28],\\ [25,30,23,4,13],\\ [22,11,2,29,20],\\ [1,24,21,12,3]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ \ kc\text{-}6x5: \ knights\text{-}circuit \ b6x5 \ kc6x5 \\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
```

**lemma** kc-6x5-hd: hd kc6x5 = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kc-6x5-non-nil: kc6 $x5 \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

abbreviation  $b6x6 \equiv board \ 6 \ 6$ 

The path given for the  $6 \times 6$ -board that ends in the upper-left is wrong. The Knight cannot move from square 26 to square 27.

14	23	6	28	12	21
7	36	13	22	5	27
24	15	29	35	20	11
30	8	17	26	34	4
16	25	2	32	10	19
1	31	9	18	3	33

**abbreviation** kp6x6ul- $false \equiv the (to-path$ 

```
 \begin{array}{l} [[14,23,6,28,12,21],\\ [7,36,13,22,5,27],\\ [24,15,29,35,20,11],\\ [30,8,17,26,34,4],\\ [16,25,2,32,10,19],\\ [1,31,9,18,3,33]]) \end{array}
```

lemma  $\neg knights$ -path  $b6x6\ kp6x6ul$ -false

 $\langle proof \rangle$ 

I have computed a correct Knight's path for the  $6 \times 6$ -board that ends in the upper-left. A Knight's path for the  $(6 \times 6)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

8	25	10	21	6	23
11	36	7	24	33	20
26	9	34	3	22	5
35	12	15	30	19	32
14	27	2	17	4	29
1	16	13	28	31	18

**abbreviation**  $kp6x6ul \equiv the (to-path$ 

```
 \begin{array}{l} [[8,25,10,21,6,23],\\ [11,36,7,24,33,20],\\ [26,9,34,3,22,5],\\ [35,12,15,30,19,32],\\ [14,27,2,17,4,29],\\ [1,16,13,28,31,18]]) \end{array}
```

lemma kp-6x6-ul: knights-path b6x6 kp6x6ul  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-6x6-ul-hd: hd kp6x6<math>ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-6x6-ul-last: last <math>kp6 $x6ul = (5,2) \langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-6x6-ul-non-nil:  $kp6x6ul \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(6 \times 6)$ -board.

4	25	34	15	18	7
35	14	5	8	33	16
24	3	26	17	6	19
13	36	23	30	9	32
22	27	2	11	20	29
1	12	21	28	31	10

**abbreviation**  $kc6x6 \equiv the (to\text{-}path$ 

```
 \begin{array}{l} [[4,25,34,15,18,7],\\ [35,14,5,8,33,16],\\ [24,3,26,17,6,19],\\ [13,36,23,30,9,32],\\ [22,27,2,11,20,29],\\ [1,12,21,28,31,10]]) \end{array}
```

lemma kc-6x6: knights-circuit b6x6 kc6x6

 $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kc-6x6-hd: hd kc6x6 = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kc-6x6-non-nil:  $kc6x6 \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

**abbreviation**  $b6x7 \equiv board 6 7$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(6 \times 7)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

18	23	8	39	16	25	6
9	42	17	24	7	40	15
22	19	32	41	38	5	26
33	10	21	28	31	14	37
20	29	2	35	12	27	4
1	34	11	30	3	36	13

**abbreviation**  $kp6x7ul \equiv the (to-path$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} [[18,23,8,39,16,25,6],\\ [9,42,17,24,7,40,15],\\ [22,19,32,41,38,5,26],\\ [33,10,21,28,31,14,37],\\ [20,29,2,35,12,27,4],\\ [1,34,11,30,3,36,13]]) \end{array}$ 

lemma kp-6x7-ul: knights-path b6x7 kp6x7ul

**lemma** kp-6x7-ul-hd: hd kp6x7ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-6x7-ul-last: last <math>kp6x7 $ul = (5,2) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-6x7-ul-non-nil: kp6x7 $ul \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(6 \times 7)$ -board.

26	37	8	17	28	31	6
9	18	27	36	7	16	29
38	25	10	19	30	5	32
11	42	23	40	35	20	15
24	39	2	13	22	33	4
1	12	41	34	3	14	21

**abbreviation**  $kc6x7 \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[26,37,8,17,28,31,6], \ [9,18,27,36,7,16,29],$ 

```
\begin{array}{l} [38,25,10,19,30,5,32],\\ [11,42,23,40,35,20,15],\\ [24,39,2,13,22,33,4],\\ [1,12,41,34,3,14,21]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ \ kc\text{-}6x7: \ knights\text{-}circuit \ b6x7 \ kc6x7 \\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
```

**lemma** kc-6x7-hd: hd kc6x7 = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kc-6x7-non-nil: kc6x7  $\neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

abbreviation  $b6x8 \equiv board \ 6 \ 8$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(6 \times 8)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

18	31	8	35	16	33	6	45
9	48	17	32	7	46	15	26
30	19	36	47	34	27	44	5
37	10	21	28	43	40	25	14
20	29	2	39	12	23	4	41
1	38	11	22	3	42	13	24

**abbreviation**  $kp6x8ul \equiv the (to-path$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} [[18,31,8,35,16,33,6,45],\\ [9,48,17,32,7,46,15,26],\\ [30,19,36,47,34,27,44,5],\\ [37,10,21,28,43,40,25,14],\\ [20,29,2,39,12,23,4,41],\\ [1,38,11,22,3,42,13,24]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ kp-6x8-ul: \ knights-path \ b6x8 \ kp6x8ul \end{array}$ 

**lemma** kp-6x8-ul: knights-path b6x8 kp6x8ul  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-6x8-ul-hd: hd kp6x8<math>ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-6x8-ul-last: last <math>kp6 $x8ul = (5,2) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-6x8-ul-non-nil: kp $6x8<math>ul \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(6 \times 8)$ -board.

30	35	8	15	28	39	6	13
9	16	29	36	7	14	27	38
34	31	10	23	40	37	12	5
17	48	33	46	11	22	41	26
32	45	2	19	24	43	4	21
1	18	47	44	3	20	25	42

```
abbreviation kc6x8 \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[30,35,8,15,28,39,6,13], \ [9,16,29,36,7,14,27,38], \ [34,31,10,23,40,37,12,5], \ [17,48,33,46,11,22,41,26], \ [32,45,2,19,24,43,4,21], \ [1,18,47,44,3,20,25,42]]) lemma kc\text{-}6x8: knights\text{-}circuit\ b6x8\ kc6x8\ \langle proof \rangle
```

**lemma** kc-6x8-hd: hd kc6x8 = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kc-6x8-non-nil: kc $6x8 <math>\neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

abbreviation  $b6x9 \equiv board \ 6 \ 9$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(6 \times 9)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

22	45	10	53	20	47	8	35	18
11	54	21	46	9	36	19	48	7
44	23	42	37	52	49	32	17	34
41	12	25	50	27	38	29	6	31
24	43	2	39	14	51	4	33	16
1	40	13	26	3	28	15	30	5

```
abbreviation kp6x9ul \equiv the \ (to\ -path \ [[22,45,10,53,20,47,8,35,18], \ [11,54,21,46,9,36,19,48,7], \ [44,23,42,37,52,49,32,17,34], \ [41,12,25,50,27,38,29,6,31], \ [24,43,2,39,14,51,4,33,16], \ [1,40,13,26,3,28,15,30,5]]) lemma kp\ -6x9\ -ul\ knights\ -path\ b6x9\ kp6x9ul\ \langle proof\ \rangle
```

**lemma** kp-6x9-ul-hd: hd kp6x9<math>ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-6x9-ul-last: last <math>kp6x9 $ul = (5,2) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-6x9-ul-non-nil: kp6x9 $ul \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(6 \times 9)$ -board.

14	49	4	51	24	39	6	29	22
3	52	13	40	5	32	23	42	7
48	15	50	25	38	41	28	21	30
53	2	37	12	33	26	31	8	43
16	47	54	35	18	45	10	27	20
1	36	17	46	11	34	19	44	9

```
abbreviation kc6x9 \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[14,49,4,51,24,39,6,29,22], \ [3,52,13,40,5,32,23,42,7], \ [48,15,50,25,38,41,28,21,30], \ [53,2,37,12,33,26,31,8,43], \ [16,47,54,35,18,45,10,27,20], \ [1,36,17,46,11,34,19,44,9]])
lemma kc\text{-}6x9: knights\text{-}circuit\ b6x9\ kc6x9\ \langle proof \rangle
```

**lemma** kc-6x9-hd: hd kc6x9 = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kc-6x9-non- $nil: <math>kc6x9 \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

#### lemmas kp-6xm-ul =

 $kp-6x5-ul\ kp-6x5-ul-hd\ kp-6x5-ul-last\ kp-6x5-ul-non-nil$   $kp-6x6-ul\ kp-6x6-ul-hd\ kp-6x6-ul-last\ kp-6x6-ul-non-nil$   $kp-6x7-ul\ kp-6x7-ul-hd\ kp-6x7-ul-last\ kp-6x7-ul-non-nil$   $kp-6x8-ul\ kp-6x8-ul-hd\ kp-6x8-ul-last\ kp-6x8-ul-non-nil$   $kp-6x9-ul\ kp-6x9-ul-hd\ kp-6x9-ul-last\ kp-6x9-ul-non-nil$ 

#### lemmas kc-6xm =

kc-6x5 kc-6x5-hd kc-6x5-non-nil kc-6x6 kc-6x6-hd kc-6x6-non-nil kc-6x7 kc-6x7-hd kc-6x7-non-nil kc-6x8 kc-6x8-hd kc-6x8-non-nil kc-6x9 kc-6x9-hd kc-6x9-non-nil

For every  $6 \times m$ -board with  $m \geq 5$  there exists a knight's path that starts in (1,1) (bottom-left) and ends in (5,2) (top-left).

lemma knights-path-6xm-ul-exists:

```
assumes m \geq 5 shows \exists ps. knights-path (board 6 m) ps <math>\land hd ps = (1,1) \land last ps = (5,2) \langle proof \rangle
```

For every  $6 \times m$ -board with  $m \geq 5$  there exists a knight's circuit.

**lemma** knights-circuit-6xm-exists:

```
assumes m \geq 5

shows \exists ps. knights-circuit (board 6 m) ps <math>\langle proof \rangle
```

 $5 \leq ?m \Longrightarrow \exists ps. \ knights-path \ (board 6 ?m) \ ps \land hd \ ps = (1, 1) \land last \ ps = (5, 2) \ and \ 5 \leq ?m \Longrightarrow \exists \ ps. \ knights-circuit \ (board 6 ?m) \ ps \ formalize Lemma 2 from [1].$ 

 $\mathbf{lemmas} \ knights\text{-}path\text{-}6xm\text{-}exists = knights\text{-}path\text{-}6xm\text{-}ul\text{-}exists \ knights\text{-}circuit\text{-}6xm\text{-}exists}$ 

### 10 Knight's Paths and Circuits for $8 \times m$ -Boards

abbreviation  $b8x5 \equiv board \ 8 \ 5$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(8 \times 5)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

28	7	22	39	26
23	40	27	6	21
8	29	38	25	14
37	24	15	20	5
16	9	30	13	34
31	36	33	4	19
10	17	2	35	12
1	32	11	18	3

```
abbreviation kp8x5ul \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[28,7,22,39,26],
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 \begin{array}{l} [23,40,27,6,21],\\ [8,29,38,25,14],\\ [37,24,15,20,5],\\ [16,9,30,13,34],\\ [31,36,33,4,19],\\ [10,17,2,35,12],\\ \end{array}
```

[1,32,11,18,3]]) lemma kp-8x5-ul: knights-path b8x5 kp8x5ul  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-8x5-ul-hd: hd kp8x5ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-8x5-ul- $last: last <math>kp8x5ul = (7,2) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma  $kp-8x5-ul-non-nil: kp8x5ul \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(8 \times 5)$ -board.

26	7	28	15	24
31	16	25	6	29
8	27	30	23	14
17	32	39	34	5
38	9	18	13	22
19	40	33	4	35
10	37	2	21	12
1	20	11	36	3

```
abbreviation kc8x5 \equiv the (to-path)
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```
 \begin{array}{l} [[26,7,28,15,24],\\ [31,16,25,6,29],\\ [8,27,30,23,14],\\ [17,32,39,34,5],\\ [38,9,18,13,22],\\ [19,40,33,4,35],\\ [10,37,2,21,12],\\ [1,20,11,36,3]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ kc\text{-}8x5: \ knights\text{-}circuit \ b8x5 \ kc8x5 \end{array}
```

 $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kc-8x5-hd: hd kc8x5 = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kc-8x5-last: last kc8x5 = (3,2)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kc-8x5-non-nil: kc8 $x5 \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

abbreviation  $b8x6 \equiv board \ 8 \ 6$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(8 \times 6)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

42	11	26	9	34	13
25	48	43	12	27	8
44	41	10	33	14	35
47	24	45	20	7	28
40	19	32	3	36	15
23	46	21	6	29	4
18	39	2	31	16	37
1	22	17	38	5	30

**abbreviation**  $kp8x6ul \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[42,11,26,9,34,13],$ 

```
 \begin{array}{l} [25,48,43,12,27,8],\\ [44,41,10,33,14,35],\\ [47,24,45,20,7,28],\\ [40,19,32,3,36,15],\\ [23,46,21,6,29,4],\\ [18,39,2,31,16,37],\\ [1,22,17,38,5,30]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ \ kp-8x6-ul: \ knights-path \ \ b8x6 \ \ kp8x6ul\\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
```

**lemma** kp-8x6-ul-hd: hd kp8x6ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-8x6-ul- $last: last <math>kp8x6ul = (7,2) \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-8x6-ul-non-nil:  $kp8x6ul \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(8\times6)$ -board. I have reversed circuit s.t. the circuit steps from (2,5) to (4,6) and not the other way around. This makes the proofs easier.

8	29	24	45	12	37
25	46	9	38	23	44
30	7	28	13	36	11
47	26	39	10	43	22
6	31	4	27	14	35
3	48	17	40	21	42
32	5	2	19	34	15
1	18	33	16	41	20

```
abbreviation kc8x6 \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path
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 \begin{array}{l} [[8,29,24,45,12,37],\\ [25,46,9,38,23,44],\\ [30,7,28,13,36,11],\\ [47,26,39,10,43,22],\\ [6,31,4,27,14,35],\\ [3,48,17,40,21,42],\\ [32,5,2,19,34,15],\\ [1,18,33,16,41,20]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ \ kc\text{-}8x6: \ knights\text{-}circuit \ b8x6 \ kc8x6 \\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
```

**lemma** kc-8x6-hd: hd kc8x6 = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kc-8x6-non-nil: kc8 $x6 \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kc-8x6-si: step-in kc8x6 (2,5) (4,6) (is step-in ?ps - -)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

#### abbreviation $b8x7 \equiv board 8 7$

A Knight's path for the  $(8 \times 7)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

38	19	6	55	46	21	8
5	56	39	20	7	54	45
18	37	4	47	34	9	22
3	48	35	40	53	44	33
36	17	52	49	32	23	10
51	2	29	14	41	26	43
16	13	50	31	28	11	24
1	30	15	12	25	42	27

**abbreviation**  $kp8x7ul \equiv the (to-path$ 

```
 \begin{array}{l} [[38,19,6.55,46,21,8],\\ [5,56,39,20,7,54,45],\\ [18,37,4,47,34,9,22],\\ [3,48,35,40,53,44,33],\\ [36,17,52,49,32,23,10],\\ [51,2,29,14,41,26,43],\\ [16,13,50,31,28,11,24],\\ [1,30,15,12,25,42,27]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ kp-8x7-ul: \ knights-path \ b8x7 \ kp8x7ul \end{array}
```

 $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-8x7-ul-hd: hd kp8x7ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-8x7-ul-last: last kp8x7ul = (7,2)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

lemma kp-8x7-ul-non-nil: kp8x7ul  $\neq$  []  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(8 \times 7)$ -board. I have reversed circuit s.t. the circuit steps from (2,6) to (4,7) and not the other way around. This makes the proofs easier.

36	31	18	53	20	29	44
17	54	35	30	45	52	21
32	37	46	19	8	43	28
55	16	7	34	27	22	51
38	33	26	47	6	9	42
3	56	15	12	25	50	23
14	39	2	5	48	41	10
1	4	13	40	11	24	49

**abbreviation**  $kc8x7 \equiv the (to\text{-}path$ 

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 [[36,31,18,53,20,29,44], \\ [17,54,35,30,45,52,21], \\ [32,37,46,19,8,43,28], \\ [55,16,7,34,27,22,51], \\ [38,33,26,47,6,9,42], \\ [3,56,15,12,25,50,23], \\ [14,39,2,5,48,41,10], \\ [1,4,13,40,11,24,49]]) \\ \mathbf{lemma} \ kc\text{-}8x7\text{: } knights\text{-}circuit \ b8x7 \ kc8x7 \\ \langle proof \rangle \\ \\ \mathbf{lemma} \ kc\text{-}8x7\text{-}non\text{-}nil\text{: } kc8x7 \neq [] \ \langle proof \rangle \\ \\ \mathbf{lemma} \ kc\text{-}8x7\text{-}si\text{: } step\text{-}in \ kc8x7 \ (2,6) \ (4,7) \ (\mathbf{is} \ step\text{-}in \ ?ps\text{-}-) \\ \langle proof \rangle \\ \\ \\ \mathsf{proof} \rangle \\
```

abbreviation  $b8x8 \equiv board \ 8 \ 8$ 

The path given for the  $8 \times 8$ -board that ends in the upper-left is wrong. The Knight cannot move from square 27 to square 28.

24	11	37	9	26	21	39	7
36	64	24	22	38	8	27	20
12	23	10	53	58	49	6	28
63	35	61	50	55	52	19	40
46	13	54	57	48	59	29	5
34	62	47	60	51	56	41	18
14	45	2	32	16	43	4	30
1	33	15	44	3	31	17	42

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abbreviation kp8x8ul-false \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[24,11,37,9,26,21,39,7], \ [36,64,25,22,38,8,27,20], \ [12,23,10,53,58,49,6,28], \ [63,35,61,50,55,52,19,40], \ [46,13,54,57,48,59,29,5], \ [34,62,47,60,51,56,41,18], \ [14,45,2,32,16,43,4,30], \ [1,33,15,44,3,31,17,42]])
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lemma  $\neg knights$ -path  $b8x8 \ kp8x8ul$ -false  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

I have computed a correct Knight's path for the  $8 \times 8$ -board that ends in the upper-left.

38	41	36	27	32	43	20	25
35	64	39	42	21	26	29	44
40	37	6	33	28	31	24	19
5	34	63	14	7	22	45	30
62	13	4	9	58	49	18	23
3	10	61	52	15	8	57	46
12	53	2	59	48	55	50	17
1	60	11	54	51	16	47	56

#### **abbreviation** $kp8x8ul \equiv the (to-path$

 $\begin{aligned} & [[38,41,36,27,32,43,20,25],\\ & [35,64,39,42,21,26,29,44],\\ & [40,37,6,33,28,31,24,19],\\ & [5,34,63,14,7,22,45,30],\\ & [62,13,4,9,58,49,18,23],\\ & [3,10,61,52,15,8,57,46],\\ & [12,53,2,59,48,55,50,17],\\ & [1,60,11,54,51,16,47,56]]) \end{aligned}$ 

lemma kp-8x8-ul: knights-path b8x8 kp8x8ul  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-8x8-ul-hd: hd kp8x8ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-8x8-ul-last:  $last kp8x8ul = (7,2) \langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma**  $kp-8x8-ul-non-nil: kp8x8ul \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(8 \times 8)$ -board.

48	13	30	9	56	45	28	7
31	10	47	50	29	8	57	44
14	49	12	55	46	59	6	27
11	32	37	60	51	54	43	58
36	15	52	63	38	61	26	5
33	64	35	18	53	40	23	42
16	19	2	39	62	21	4	25
1	34	17	20	3	24	41	22

#### **abbreviation** $kc8x8 \equiv the (to\text{-}path$

 $\begin{aligned} &[[48,13,30,9,56,45,28,7],\\ &[31,10,47,50,29,8,57,44],\\ &[14,49,12,55,46,59,6,27],\\ &[11,32,37,60,51,54,43,58],\\ &[36,15,52,63,38,61,26,5],\\ &[33,64,35,18,53,40,23,42], \end{aligned}$ 

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 [16,19,2,39,62,21,4,25], \\ [1,34,17,20,3,24,41,22]]) \\ \textbf{lemma} \ kc\text{-}8x8\text{:} \ knights\text{-}circuit \ b8x8 \ kc8x8} \\ \langle proof \rangle \\ \textbf{lemma} \ kc\text{-}8x8\text{-}hd\text{:} \ hd \ kc8x8 = (1,1) \ \langle proof \rangle \\ \textbf{lemma} \ kc\text{-}8x8\text{-}non\text{-}nil\text{:} \ kc8x8 \neq [] \ \langle proof \rangle \\ \textbf{lemma} \ kc\text{-}8x8\text{-}si\text{:} \ step\text{-}in \ kc8x8 \ (2,7) \ (4,8) \ (\textbf{is} \ step\text{-}in \ ?ps - -) \\ \langle proof \rangle \\
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abbreviation  $b8x9 \equiv board \ 8 \ 9$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(8 \times 9)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

32	47	6	71	30	45	8	43	26
5	72	31	46	7	70	27	22	9
48	33	4	29	64	23	44	25	42
3	60	35	62	69	28	41	10	21
34	49	68	65	36	63	24	55	40
59	2	61	16	67	56	37	20	11
50	15	66	57	52	13	18	39	54
1	58	51	14	17	38	53	12	19

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abbreviation kp8x9ul \equiv the \ (to-path \ [[32,47,6,71,30,45,8,43,26], \ [5,79,31,66,7,70,97,99,9]]
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 $\begin{array}{l} [5,72,31,46,7,70,27,22,9],\\ [48,33,4,29,64,23,44,25,42],\\ [3,60,35,62,69,28,41,10,21],\\ [34,49,68,65,36,63,24,55,40],\\ [59,2,61,16,67,56,37,20,11],\\ [50,15,66,57,52,13,18,39,54],\\ \end{array}$ 

[1,58,51,14,17,38,53,12,19]]) lemma kp-8x9-ul: knights- $path <math>b8x9 \ kp8x9ul$   $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-8x9-ul-hd: hd kp8x9ul = (1,1)  $\langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma** kp-8x9-ul-last: last <math>kp8x9 $ul = (7,2) \langle proof \rangle$ 

**lemma**  $kp-8x9-ul-non-nil: kp8x9ul \neq [] \langle proof \rangle$ 

A Knight's circuit for the  $(8 \times 9)$ -board.

42	19	38	5	36	21	34	7	60
39	4	41	20	63	6	59	22	33
18	43	70	37	58	35	68	61	8
3	40	49	64	69	62	57	32	23
50	17	44	71	48	67	54	9	56
45	2	65	14	27	12	29	24	31
16	51	72	47	66	53	26	55	10
1	46	15	52	13	28	11	30	25

```
abbreviation kc8x9 \equiv the (to\text{-}path
  [[42,19,38,5,36,21,34,7,60],
  [39,4,41,20,63,6,59,22,33],
  [18,43,70,37,58,35,68,61,8],
  [3,40,49,64,69,62,57,32,23],
  [50,17,44,71,48,67,54,9,56],
  [45,2,65,14,27,12,29,24,31],
  [16,51,72,47,66,53,26,55,10],
  [1,46,15,52,13,28,11,30,25]]
lemma kc-8x9: knights-circuit b8x9 kc8x9
  \langle proof \rangle
lemma kc-8x9-hd: hd kc8x9 = (1,1) \langle proof \rangle
lemma kc-8x9-non-nil: kc8x9 \neq [] \langle proof \rangle
lemma kc-8x9-si: step-in kc8x9 (2,8) (4,9) (is step-in ?ps - -)
\langle proof \rangle
lemmas kp-8xm-ul =
  kp-8x5-ul kp-8x5-ul-hd kp-8x5-ul-last kp-8x5-ul-non-nil
  kp-8x6-ul kp-8x6-ul-hd kp-8x6-ul-last kp-8x6-ul-non-nil
  kp-8x7-ul kp-8x7-ul-hd kp-8x7-ul-last kp-8x7-ul-non-nil
  kp\text{-}8x8\text{-}ul\ kp\text{-}8x8\text{-}ul\text{-}hd\ kp\text{-}8x8\text{-}ul\text{-}last\ kp\text{-}8x8\text{-}ul\text{-}non\text{-}nil
  kp-8x9-ul kp-8x9-ul-hd kp-8x9-ul-last kp-8x9-ul-non-nil
lemmas kc-8xm =
  kc-8x5 kc-8x5-hd kc-8x5-last kc-8x5-non-nil kc-8x5-si
  kc-8x6 kc-8x6-hd kc-8x6-non-nil kc-8x6-si
  kc-8x7 kc-8x7-hd kc-8x7-non-nil kc-8x7-si
  kc-8x8 kc-8x8-hd kc-8x8-non-nil kc-8x8-si
```

For every  $8 \times m$ -board with  $m \geq 5$  there exists a knight's circuit.

 ${\bf lemma}\ knights\hbox{-}circuit\hbox{-}8xm\hbox{-}exists\hbox{:}$ 

kc-8x9 kc-8x9-hd kc-8x9-non-nil kc-8x9-si

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assumes m \geq 5
shows \exists ps. \ knights-circuit (board 8 m) ps \land step-in ps \ (2,int \ m-1) \ (4,int \ m) \ \langle proof \rangle
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For every  $8 \times m$ -board with  $m \geq 5$  there exists a knight's path that starts in (1,1) (bottom-left) and ends in (7,2) (top-left).

lemma knights-path-8xm-ul-exists:

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assumes m \geq 5 shows \exists ps. knights-path (board 8 m) ps <math>\land hd ps = (1,1) \land last ps = (7,2) \langle proof \rangle
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5 \leq ?m \Longrightarrow \exists ps. \ knights-circuit \ (board 8 ?m) \ ps \land step-in \ ps \ (2, int ?m - 1) \ (4, int ?m) \ and \ 5 \leq ?m \Longrightarrow \exists ps. \ knights-path \ (board 8 ?m) \ ps \land hd \ ps = (1, 1) \land last \ ps = (7, 2) \ formalize Lemma 3 \ from [1].
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 ${\bf lemmas}\ knights-path-8xm-exists=knights-circuit-8xm-exists\ knights-path-8xm-ul-exists$ 

## 11 Knight's Paths and Circuits for $n \times m$ -Boards

In this section the desired theorems are proved. The proof uses the previous lemmas to construct paths and circuits for arbitrary  $n \times m$ -boards.

A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 5)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

7	20	9	14	5
10	25	6	21	16
19	8	15	4	13
24	11	2	17	22
1	18	23	12	3

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abbreviation kp5x5ul \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[7,20,9,14,5], \ [10,25,6,21,16], \ [19,8,15,4,13], \ [24,11,2,17,22], \ [1,18,23,12,3]]) lemma kp\text{-}5x5\text{-}ul: knights\text{-}path \ b5x5 \ kp5x5ul \ \langle proof \rangle
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A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 7)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

17	14	25	6	19	8	29
26	35	18	15	28	5	20
13	16	27	24	7	30	9
34	23	2	11	32	21	4
1	12	33	22	3	10	31

**abbreviation**  $kp5x7ul \equiv the (to-path$ 

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 \begin{array}{l} [[17,14,25,6,19,8,29],\\ [26,35,18,15,28,5,20],\\ [13,16,27,24,7,30,9],\\ [34,23,2,11,32,21,4],\\ [1,12,33,22,3,10,31]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ \ kp-5x7-ul: \ knights-path \ b5x7 \ kp5x7ul\\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
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A Knight's path for the  $(5 \times 9)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

7	12	37	42	5	18	23	32	27
38	45	6	11	36	31	26	19	24
13	8	43	4	41	22	17	28	33
44	39	2	15	10	35	30	25	20
1	14	9	40	3	16	21	34	29

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abbreviation kp5x9ul \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[7,12,37,42,5,18,23,32,27], \ [38,45,6,11,36,31,26,19,24], \ [13,8,43,4,41,22,17,28,33], \ [44,39,2,15,10,35,30,25,20], \ [1,14,9,40,3,16,21,34,29]]) lemma kp\text{-}5x9\text{-}ul\text{:} knights\text{-}path \ b5x9 \ kp5x9ul \ \langle proof \rangle
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#### abbreviation $b7x7 \equiv board 77$

A Knight's path for the  $(7 \times 7)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

9	30	19	42	7	32	17
20	49	8	31	18	43	6
29	10	41	36	39	16	33
48	21	38	27	34	5	44
11	28	35	40	37	26	15
22	47	2	13	24	45	4
1	12	23	46	3	14	25

```
abbreviation kp7x7ul \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[9,30,19,42,7,32,17], \ [20,49,8,31,18,43,6], \ [29,10,41,36,39,16,33], \ [48,21,38,27,34,5,44], \ [11,28,35,40,37,26,15], \ [22,47,2,13,24,45,4],
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\begin{array}{l} [1,12,23,46,3,14,25]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ kp\text{-}7x7\text{-}ul: \ knights\text{-}path \ b7x7 \ kp7x7ul}\\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
```

abbreviation  $b7x9 \equiv board 79$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(7 \times 9)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

59	4	17	50	37	6	19	30	39
16	63	58	5	18	51	38	7	20
3	60	49	36	57	42	29	40	31
48	15	62	43	52	35	56	21	8
61	2	13	26	45	28	41	32	55
14	47	44	11	24	53	34	9	22
1	12	25	46	27	10	23	54	33

```
abbreviation kp7x9ul \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[59,4,17,50,37,6,19,30,39], \ [16,63,58,5,18,51,38,7,20], \ [3,60,49,36,57,42,29,40,31], \ [48,15,62,43,52,35,56,21,8], \ [61,2,13,26,45,28,41,32,55], \ [14,47,44,11,24,53,34,9,22], \ [1,12,25,46,27,10,23,54,33]])
lemma kp-7x9-ul: knights-path \ b7x9 \ kp7x9ul \ \langle proof \rangle
```

abbreviation  $b9x7 \equiv board 9 7$ 

A Knight's path for the  $(9 \times 7)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

5	20	53	48	7	22	31
52	63	6	21	32	55	8
19	4	49	54	47	30	23
62	51	46	33	56	9	58
3	18	61	50	59	24	29
14	43	34	45	28	57	10
17	2	15	60	35	38	25
42	13	44	27	40	11	36
1	16	41	12	37	26	39

```
abbreviation kp9x7ul \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[5,20,53,48,7,22,31], \ [52,63,6,21,32,55,8],
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 \begin{array}{l} [19,4,49,54,47,30,23],\\ [62,51,46,33,56,9,58],\\ [3,18,61,50,59,24,29],\\ [14,43,34,45,28,57,10],\\ [17,2,15,60,35,38,25],\\ [42,13,44,27,40,11,36],\\ [1,16,41,12,37,26,39]])\\ \mathbf{lemma} \ kp-9x7-ul: \ knights-path \ b9x7 \ kp9x7ul\\ \langle proof \rangle \end{array}
```

#### abbreviation $b9x9 \equiv board \ 9 \ 9$

A Knight's path for the  $(9 \times 9)$ -board that starts in the lower-left and ends in the upper-left.

13	26	39	52	11	24	37	50	9
40	81	12	25	38	51	10	23	36
27	14	53	58	63	68	73	8	49
80	41	64	67	72	57	62	35	22
15	28	59	54	65	74	69	48	7
42	79	66	71	76	61	56	21	34
29	16	77	60	55	70	75	6	47
78	43	2	31	18	45	4	33	20
1	30	17	44	3	32	19	46	5

```
abbreviation kp9x9ul \equiv the \ (to\text{-}path \ [[13,26,39,52,11,24,37,50,9], \ [40,81,12,25,38,51,10,23,36], \ [27,14,53,58,63,68,73,8,49], \ [80,41,64,67,72,57,62,35,22], \ [15,28,59,54,65,74,69,48,7], \ [42,79,66,71,76,61,56,21,34], \ [29,16,77,60,55,70,75,6,47], \ [78,43,2,31,18,45,4,33,20], \ [1,30,17,44,3,32,19,46,5]]) lemma kp-9x9-ul: knights-path\ b9x9\ kp9x9ul\ \langle proof\ \rangle
```

The following lemma is a sub-proof used in Lemma 4 in [1]. I moved the sub-proof out to a separate lemma.

```
lemma knights-circuit-exists-even-n-gr10:

assumes even n \ge 10 \ m \ge 5

\exists ps. \ knights-path \ (board \ (n-5) \ m) \ ps \land hd \ ps = (int \ (n-5),1)

\land \ last \ ps = (int \ (n-5)-1,int \ m-1)

shows \exists \ ps. \ knights-circuit \ (board \ m \ n) \ ps

\langle proof \rangle
```

For every  $n \times m$ -board with  $min \ n \ m \ge 5$  and odd n there exists a Knight's path that starts in (n,1) (top-left) and ends in (n-1,m-1) (top-right).

This lemma formalizes Lemma 4 from [1]. Formalizing the proof of this lemma was quite challenging as a lot of details on how to exactly combine the boards are left out in the original proof in [1].

```
lemma knights-path-odd-n-exists:

assumes odd n min n m \ge 5

shows \exists ps. \ knights-path \ (board n m) \ ps \land hd \ ps = (int \ n,1) \land last \ ps = (int \ n-1,int \ m-1)

\langle proof \rangle
```

Auxiliary lemma that constructs a Knight's circuit if  $m \geq 5$  and  $n \geq 10 \land even n$ .

```
lemma knights-circuit-exists-n-even-gr-10:

assumes n \ge 10 \land even \ n \ m \ge 5

shows \exists \ ps. \ knights-circuit \ (board \ n \ m) \ ps

\langle proof \rangle
```

Final Theorem 1: For every  $n \times m$ -board with  $min \ n \ m \geq 5$  and n \* m even there exists a Knight's circuit.

```
theorem knights-circuit-exists:

assumes min \ n \ m \ge 5 \ even \ (n*m)

shows \exists \ ps. \ knights-circuit \ (board \ n \ m) \ ps

\langle proof \rangle
```

Final Theorem 2: for every  $n \times m$ -board with  $min \ n \ m \geq 5$  there exists a Knight's path.

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theorem knights-path-exists:

assumes min n \ m \ge 5

shows \exists ps. \ knights-path \ (board \ n \ m) \ ps

\langle proof \rangle

THE END
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end

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