

## Coloring Border in C++

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#include <iostream>
#include <vector>

using namespace std;

vector<vector<int>>> dirs = {{0, 1}, {1, 0}, {0, -1}, {-1, 0}};

void dfs(vector<vector<int>>>& grid, int row, int col, int clr) {
    grid[row][col] = -clr;
    int count = 0;

    for (auto dir : dirs) {
        int rowdash = row + dir[0];
        int coldash = col + dir[1];

        if (rowdash < 0 || coldash < 0 || rowdash >=
            grid.size() || coldash >= grid[0].size() ||
            abs(grid[rowdash][coldash]) != clr) {
            continue;
        }

        count++;

        if (grid[rowdash][coldash] == clr) {
            dfs(grid, rowdash, coldash, clr);
        }
    }

    if (count == 4) {
        grid[row][col] = clr;
    }
}

void coloring_border(vector<vector<int>>>& grid, int row,
int col, int color) {
    dfs(grid, row, col, grid[row][col]);

    for (int i = 0; i < grid.size(); i++) {
        for (int j = 0; j < grid[0].size(); j++) {
            if (grid[i][j] < 0) {
                grid[i][j] = color;
            }
        }
    }
}

int main() {
    // Hardcoded input
    int m = 4;
    int n = 4;
    vector<vector<int>>> arr = {
        {2, 1, 3, 4},
        {1, 2, 2, 2},
        {3, 2, 2, 2},
        {1, 2, 2, 2}
    };
    int row = 1;
    int col = 1;
    int color = 3;
}
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### Step-by-Step Dry Run:

#### Step 1: Call to coloring\_border

- **Initial call:** coloring\_border(arr, row=1, col=1, color=3).
- Call dfs(grid, row=1, col=1, clr=2) to mark the connected component and determine the border cells.

#### Step 2: DFS Traversal

The function dfs will:

1. Mark cells in the connected component as -2 (negate the value).
2. Identify border cells and keep them marked as -2. Interior cells are restored to clr (2) if they are surrounded by four other cells of the same value.

#### Traversal Process:

1. Start DFS at (1, 1):
  - Mark grid[1][1] = -2.
  - Neighboring cells:
    - (1, 2) → Proceed (same value 2).
    - (2, 1) → Proceed (same value 2).
    - Other directions lead to invalid cells or cells with a different value.
  - **Connected cells count so far:** 2.
2. Move to (1, 2):
  - Mark grid[1][2] = -2.
  - Neighboring cells:
    - (1, 3) → Proceed (same value 2).
    - (2, 2) → Proceed (same value 2).
  - **Connected cells count so far:** 4.
3. Move to (1, 3):
  - Mark grid[1][3] = -2.
  - Neighboring cells:
    - (2, 3) → Proceed (same value 2).
4. Continue this process until all connected cells are visited and marked as -2. For the input grid, all 2 values connected to (1, 1) are part of the connected component.

<pre> coloring_border(arr, row, col, color);  // Print the modified grid for (int i = 0; i &lt; m; i++) {     for (int j = 0; j &lt; n; j++) {         cout &lt;&lt; arr[i][j] &lt;&lt; "\t";     }     cout &lt;&lt; endl; }  return 0; } </pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Marked Grid after DFS:</b></li> </ul> <p>Copy code</p> <pre> 2  1  3  4 1 -2 -2 -2 3 -2 -2 -2 1 -2 -2 -2 </pre> <p><b>Step 3: Check for Border Cells</b></p> <p>The DFS function identifies border cells:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A cell is on the border if it:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Is not surrounded on all four sides by other cells of the same value.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Border cells remain marked as -2.</li> </ul> <p><b>Step 4: Update Colors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traverse the grid:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Any cell marked as -2 is changed to the new color (3).</li> <li>◦ Interior cells (those surrounded by the same value) are reverted to clr (2).</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Final Grid:</b></li> </ul> <pre> 2  1  3  4 1  3  3  3 3  3  3  3 1  3  3  3 </pre>
<p>Output:-</p> <pre> 2      1      3      4 1      3      3      3 3      3      2      3 1      3      3      3 </pre>	