

## 5.325 polyomino

	DESCRIPTION	LINKS	GRAPH
<b>Origin</b>	Inspired by [195].		
<b>Constraint</b>	polyomino(CELLS)		
<b>Argument</b>	$\text{CELLS} : \text{collection} \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{index} - \text{int}, \\ \text{right} - \text{dvar}, \\ \text{left} - \text{dvar}, \\ \text{up} - \text{dvar}, \\ \text{down} - \text{dvar} \end{array} \right)$		
<b>Restrictions</b>	<pre> CELLS.index ≥ 1 CELLS.index ≤  CELLS   CELLS  ≥ 1 required(CELLS, [index, right, left, up, down]) distinct(CELLS, index) CELLS.right ≥ 0 CELLS.right ≤  CELLS  CELLS.left ≥ 0 CELLS.left ≤  CELLS  CELLS.up ≥ 0 CELLS.up ≤  CELLS  CELLS.down ≥ 0 CELLS.down ≤  CELLS  </pre>		
<b>Purpose</b>	<p>Enforce all cells of the collection CELLS to be connected and to form a single block. Each cell is defined by the following attributes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The <code>index</code> attribute of the cell, which is an integer between 1 and the total number of cells, is unique for each cell.</li> <li>2. The <code>right</code> attribute that is the index of the cell located immediately to the right of that cell (or 0 if no such cell exists).</li> <li>3. The <code>left</code> attribute that is the index of the cell located immediately to the left of that cell (or 0 if no such cell exists).</li> <li>4. The <code>up</code> attribute that is the index of the cell located immediately on top of that cell (or 0 if no such cell exists).</li> <li>5. The <code>down</code> attribute that is the index of the cell located immediately below that cell (or 0 if no such cell exists).</li> </ol> <p>This corresponds to a polyomino [195].</p>		

Example

$\left( \begin{array}{l} \left\langle \begin{array}{lllll} \text{index} - 1 & \text{right} - 0 & \text{left} - 0 & \text{up} - 2 & \text{down} - 0, \\ \text{index} - 2 & \text{right} - 3 & \text{left} - 0 & \text{up} - 0 & \text{down} - 1, \\ \text{index} - 3 & \text{right} - 0 & \text{left} - 2 & \text{up} - 4 & \text{down} - 0, \\ \text{index} - 4 & \text{right} - 5 & \text{left} - 0 & \text{up} - 0 & \text{down} - 3, \\ \text{index} - 5 & \text{right} - 0 & \text{left} - 4 & \text{up} - 0 & \text{down} - 0 \end{array} \right\rangle \right)$
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The polyomino constraint holds since all the cells corresponding to the items of the CELLS collection form one single group of connected cells: the  $i^{th}$  ( $i \in [1, 4]$ ) cell is connected to the  $(i + 1)^{th}$  cell. Figure 5.673 shows the corresponding polyomino.

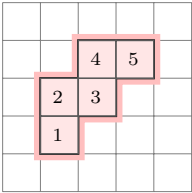


Figure 5.673: Polyomino corresponding to the **Example** slot where each cell contains the index of the corresponding item within the CELLS collection

Symmetries

- Items of CELLS are [permutable](#).
- Attributes of CELLS are [permutable](#) w.r.t. permutation (index) (right, left) (up) (down) (*permutation applied to all items*).
- Attributes of CELLS are [permutable](#) w.r.t. permutation (index) (right) (left) (up, down) (*permutation applied to all items*).
- Attributes of CELLS are [permutable](#) w.r.t. permutation (index) (up, left, down, right) (*permutation applied to all items*).

Usage

Enumeration of polyominoes.

Keywords

[combinatorial object](#): pentomino.  
[final graph structure](#): strongly connected component.  
[geometry](#): geometrical constraint.  
[puzzles](#): pentomino.

Arc input(s)	CELLS
Arc generator	<i>CLIQUE</i> ( $\neq$ ) $\mapsto$ <i>collection</i> (cells1, cells2)
Arc arity	2
Arc constraint(s)	$\bigvee \left( \begin{array}{l} \bigwedge \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{cells1.right} = \text{cells2.index}, \\ \text{cells2.left} = \text{cells1.index} \end{array} \right), \\ \bigwedge \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{cells1.left} = \text{cells2.index}, \\ \text{cells2.right} = \text{cells1.index} \end{array} \right), \\ \text{cells1.up} = \text{cells2.index} \wedge \text{cells2.down} = \text{cells1.index}, \\ \text{cells1.down} = \text{cells2.index} \wedge \text{cells2.up} = \text{cells1.index} \end{array} \right)$
Graph property(ies)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NVERTEX</b> =  CELLS </li> <li>• <b>NCC</b> = 1</li> </ul>

**Graph model**

The graph constraint models the fact that all the cells are connected. We use the *CLIQUE*( $\neq$ ) arc generator in order to only consider connections between two distinct cells. The first graph property **NVERTEX** = |CELLS| avoid the case isolated cells, while the second graph property **NCC** = 1 enforces to have a single group of connected cells.

Parts (A) and (B) of Figure 5.674 respectively show the initial and final graph associated with the **Example** slot. Since we use the **NVERTEX** graph property the vertices of the final graph are stressed in bold. Since we also use the **NCC** graph property we show the unique connected component of the final graph. An arc between two vertices indicates that two cells are directly connected.

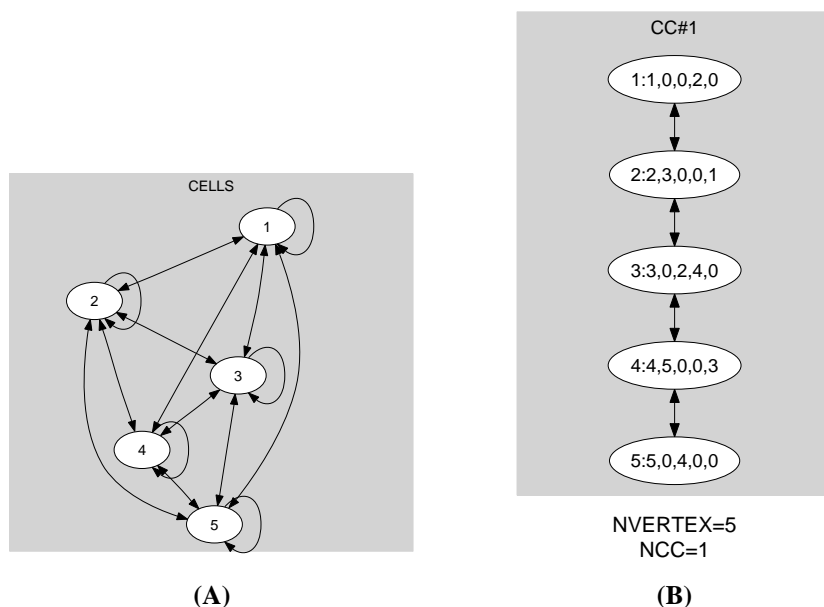


Figure 5.674: Initial and final graph of the polyomino constraint

**Signature**

From the graph property  $\mathbf{NVERTEX} = |\mathbf{CELLS}|$  and from the restriction  $|\mathbf{CELLS}| \geq 1$  we have that the final graph is not empty. Therefore it contains at least one connected component. So we can rewrite  $\mathbf{NCC} = 1$  to  $\mathbf{NCC} \leq 1$  and simplify  $\overline{\mathbf{NCC}}$  to  $\mathbf{NCC}$ .