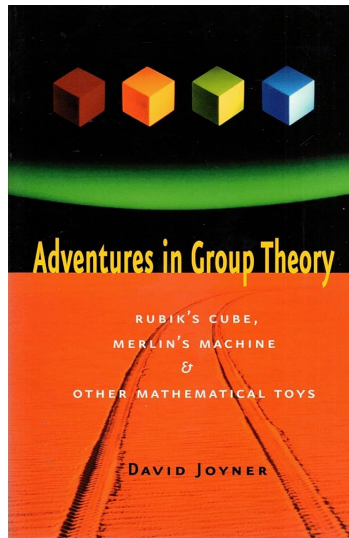


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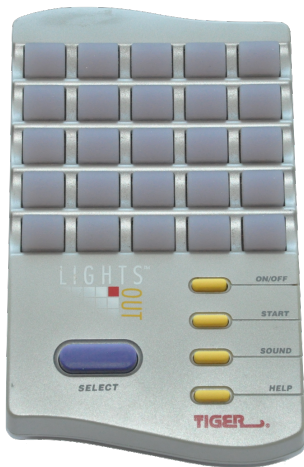
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# Lights Out

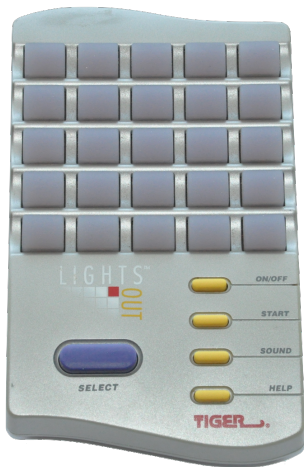
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- Tiger Electronics 1995
- Popular puzzle in video games
- One player game with (presumably) symmetries

# Lights Out

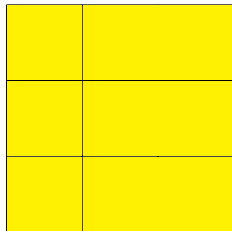
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- Tiger Electronics 1995
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- Not in the examples/ folder of mCRL2

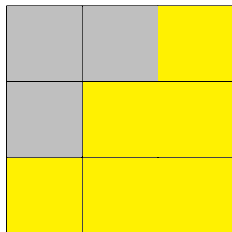
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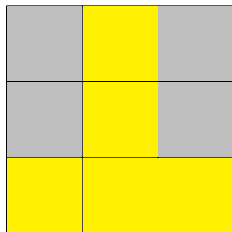
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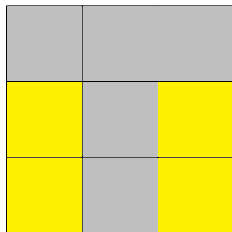
# Lights Out

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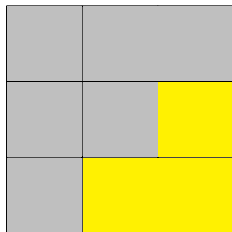
# Lights Out

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# Lights Out

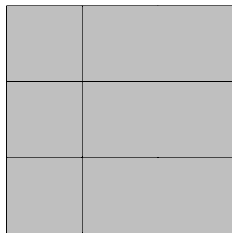
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# Lights Out

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# Lights Out

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1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

# Lights Out

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1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

(1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)

# Lights Out

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1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

$$\oplus \begin{pmatrix} 1, & 1, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0 \\ 1, & 1, & 0, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Lights Out

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1	2	3
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$$\begin{aligned} & \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 1, & 1, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ & = \begin{pmatrix} 1, & 1, & 0, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ & \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

# Lights Out

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1	2	3
4	5	6
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(0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)

# Lights Out

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$$\oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1, & 1, & 1, & 0, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Lights Out

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$$\begin{aligned} & \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ & = \begin{pmatrix} 1, & 1, & 1, & 0, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ & \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1, & 1, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



# Lights Out

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(1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0)

1	2	3
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# Lights Out

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$$\oplus \quad x_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1, & 1, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0, & 1, & 1, & 0 \\ 1, & 1, & 0, & 1, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 0, & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Lights Out

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1	2	3
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$$\begin{aligned} & (1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_1 & (1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_2 & (1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0) \end{aligned}$$

# Lights Out

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1	2	3
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7	8	9

$$\begin{array}{l} \oplus \quad x_1 (1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_2 (1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_3 (1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_4 (0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_5 (1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_6 (0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_7 (0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1) \\ \oplus \quad x_8 (0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_9 (0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1) \\ \oplus \quad x_{10} (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1) \end{array}$$

# Lights Out

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$$\begin{aligned} & (1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \ x_1 & (1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \ x_2 & (1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \ x_3 & (0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \ x_4 & (1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \ x_5 & (0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \ x_6 & (0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1) \\ \oplus \ x_7 & (0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \ x_8 & (0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1) \\ \oplus \ x_9 & (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1) \\ = & (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \end{aligned}$$

# Lights Out

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$$\begin{aligned} & (1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_1 & (1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_2 & (1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_3 & (0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_4 & (1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_5 & (0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_6 & (0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1) \\ \oplus \quad x_7 & (0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0) \\ \oplus \quad x_8 & (0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1) \\ \oplus \quad x_9 & (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1) \\ = & (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \end{aligned}$$

An assignment that makes this equality true is  $x = (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)$

# Lights Out

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$$x = (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)$$

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# Lights Out

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$$x = (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)$$

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# Lights Out

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$$x = (1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1)$$

1	2	3
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# Lights Out

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \\ x_7 \\ x_8 \\ x_9 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Lights Out

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \\ x_7 \\ x_8 \\ x_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Lights Out

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$$A_3 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \\ x_6 \\ x_7 \\ x_8 \\ x_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Lights Out

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$$A_3 \cdot \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Lights Out

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$$A_3 \cdot \bar{x} = \bar{s}$$

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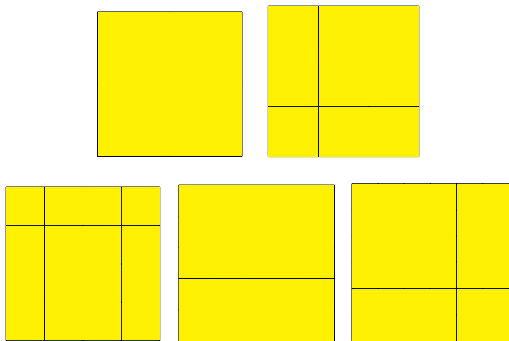
$$A_3 \cdot \bar{x} = \bar{s}$$

- Linear algebra tells us we can find  $\bar{x}$  if  $\text{Det}(A_3) \neq 0 \pmod{2}$ .
- As  $\text{Det}(A_3) = 1 \pmod{2}$ , we know that any arrangement of 3x3 Lights Out is solvable.

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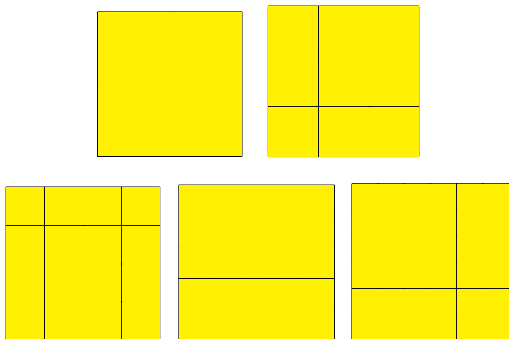
- $\text{Det}(A_2) = 1 \bmod 2$
- $\text{Det}(A_3) = 1 \bmod 2$
- $\text{Det}(A_4) = 0 \bmod 2$
- $\text{Det}(A_5) = 0 \bmod 2$
- $\text{Det}(A_6) = 1 \bmod 2$



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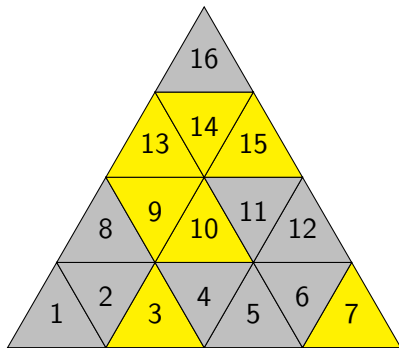
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- $\text{Det}(A_5) = 0 \bmod 2$
- $\text{Det}(A_6) = 1 \bmod 2$



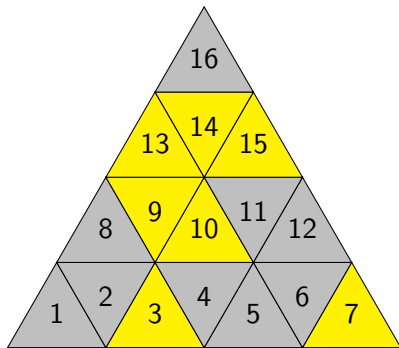
Possible alternatives: more colors, change switching rules

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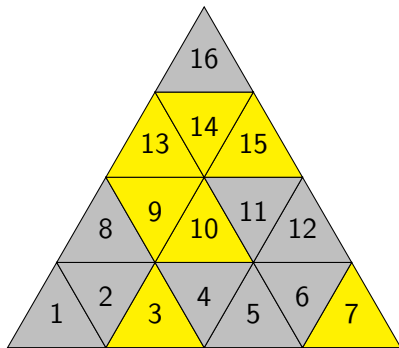
# Lights Out



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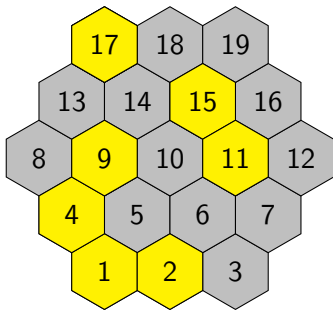


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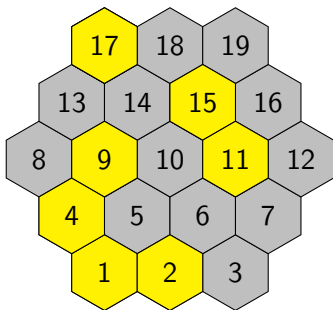
$$\text{Det}(T) = 1 \bmod 2,$$

# Lights Out

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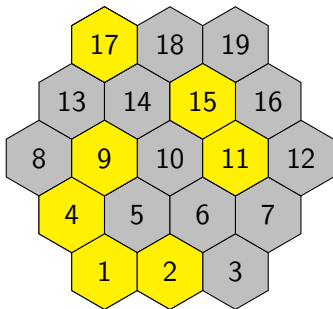


# Lights Out



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# Lights Out



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$$\text{Det}(H) = 0 \pmod{2},$$

# Lights Out - the mCRL2 model

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Brace for some mCRL2 code.

# Lights Out - the mCRL2 model

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```
sort  Button = struct on | off;
      Row = List(Button);
      Game = List(Row);

map   Press:      Game#Nat#Nat -> Game;
      PressMiddle: Game#Nat -> Game;
      PressBottom: Game#Nat -> Game;
      rowflip:    Row#Nat -> Row;
      flip:       Row#Nat -> Row;

eqn   Press([],i,j) = [];
      Press(r|>g,i,0) = rowflip(r,i) |> PressBottom(g,i);
      Press(r|>g,i,1) = flip(r,i) |> PressMiddle(g,i);
      j>1 -> Press(r|>g,i,j) = r |> Press(g,i,max(0,j-1));
```

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

# Lights Out - the mCRL2 model

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      Row = List(Button);
      Game = List(Row);

map   Press:      Game#Nat#Nat -> Game;
      PressMiddle: Game#Nat -> Game;
      PressBottom: Game#Nat -> Game;
      rowflip:    Row#Nat -> Row;
      flip:       Row#Nat -> Row;

eqn   Press([],i,j) = [];
      Press(r|>g,i,0) = rowflip(r,i) |> PressBottom(g,i);
      Press(r|>g,i,1) = flip(r,i) |> PressMiddle(g,i);
      j>1 -> Press(r|>g,i,j) = r |> Press(g,i,max(0,j-1));
      PressBottom([], i) = [] ;
      PressBottom(r|>g, i) = flip(r,i) |> g ;
      PressMiddle([], i) = [] ;
      PressMiddle(r|>g, i) = rowflip(r,i) |> PressBottom(g,i);
```

1	2	3	4	5
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# Lights Out - the mCRL2 model

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```
act    win;
      press:Nat#Nat;
proc   LightsOut(game:Game)=
      (all_off(game) -> win.delta) +
      sum i,j:Nat.(i<N && j<M)->
        press(i,j).
        LightsOut(Press(game,i,j));

init   LightsOut(on_game);

mu X . <win> true || <true> X
```

## Lights Out - the mCRL2 model

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size	explicit		symbolic	
2x2	0.16s	<1000	0.06s	18
3x3	0.22s	<1000	1.24s	468
4x4	1.97s	$\pm 4000$	41.4s	3526
4x5	12min	$\pm 1048000$	>108min?	431910?
5x5	-	-	-	-

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