5.271 polyomino

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Origin

Inspired by [173].

Constraint

polyomino(CELLS)

Argument

CELLS : collection(index−int, right−dvar, left−dvar, up−dvar, down−dvar)

Restrictions

CELLS.index ≥ 1
CELLS.index $\leq$ |CELLS|
|CELLS| ≥ 1
required(CELLS, [index, right, left, up, down])
distinct(CELLS, index)
CELLS.right ≥ 0
CELLS.right $\leq$ |CELLS|
CELLS.left ≥ 0
CELLS.left $\leq$ |CELLS|
CELLS.up ≥ 0
CELLS.up $\leq$ |CELLS|
CELLS.down ≥ 0
CELLS.down $\leq$ |CELLS|

Purpose

Enforce all cells of the collection CELLS to be connected and to form one single block. Each cell is defined by the following attributes:

1. The index attribute of the cell, which is an integer between 1 and the total number of cells, is unique for each cell.
2. The right attribute that is the index of the cell located immediately to the right of that cell (or 0 if no such cell exists).
3. The left attribute that is the index of the cell located immediately to the left of that cell (or 0 if no such cell exists).
4. The up attribute that is the index of the cell located immediately on top of that cell (or 0 if no such cell exists).
5. The down attribute that is the index of the cell located immediately above that cell (or 0 if no such cell exists).

This corresponds to a polyomino [174].

Example

$$\left(\left\langle\begin{array}{lllll}\texttt{index}-1 & \texttt{right}-0 & \texttt{left}-0 & \texttt{up}-2 & \texttt{down}-0,\\ \texttt{index}-2 & \texttt{right}-3 & \texttt{left}-0 & \texttt{up}-0 & \texttt{down}-1,\\ \texttt{index}-3 & \texttt{right}-0 & \texttt{left}-2 & \texttt{up}-4 & \texttt{down}-0,\\ \texttt{index}-4 & \texttt{right}-5 & \texttt{left}-0 & \texttt{up}-0 & \texttt{down}-3,\\ \texttt{index}-5 & \texttt{right}-0 & \texttt{left}-4 & \texttt{up}-0 & \texttt{down}-0\end{array}\right\rangle\right)$$

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 5.499 shows the corresponding polyomino.

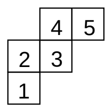

Figure 5.499: Polyomino corresponding to the example

Symmetries

- Items of `CELLS` are permutable.
- Attributes of `CELLS` are permutable w.r.t. permutation $(\texttt{index})$ $(\texttt{right}, \texttt{left})$ $(\texttt{up})$ $(\texttt{down})$ (*permutation applied to all items*).
- Attributes of `CELLS` are permutable w.r.t. permutation $(\texttt{index})$ $(\texttt{right})$ $(\texttt{left})$ $(\texttt{up}, \texttt{down})$ (*permutation applied to all items*).
- Attributes of `CELLS` are permutable w.r.t. permutation $(\texttt{index})$ $(\texttt{up}, \texttt{left}, \texttt{down}, \texttt{right})$ (*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	$CLIQUE(\neq) \mapsto$ collection(cells1, cells2)
Arc arity	2
Arc constraint(s)	$\bigvee \begin{pmatrix} \texttt{cells1.right} = \texttt{cells2.index} \wedge \texttt{cells2.left} = \texttt{cells1.index}, \\ \texttt{cells1.left} = \texttt{cells2.index} \wedge \texttt{cells2.right} = \texttt{cells1.index}, \\ \texttt{cells1.up} = \texttt{cells2.index} \wedge \texttt{cells2.down} = \texttt{cells1.index}, \\ \texttt{cells1.down} = \texttt{cells2.index} \wedge \texttt{cells2.up} = \texttt{cells1.index} \end{pmatrix}$
Graph property(ies)	• **NVERTEX**$= \lvert$CELLS$\rvert$ • **NCC**$= 1$

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** $= \lvert$CELLS$\rvert$ avoid the case isolated cells, while the second graph property **NCC** $= 1$ enforces to have one single group of connected cells.

Parts (A) and (B) of Figure 5.500 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.

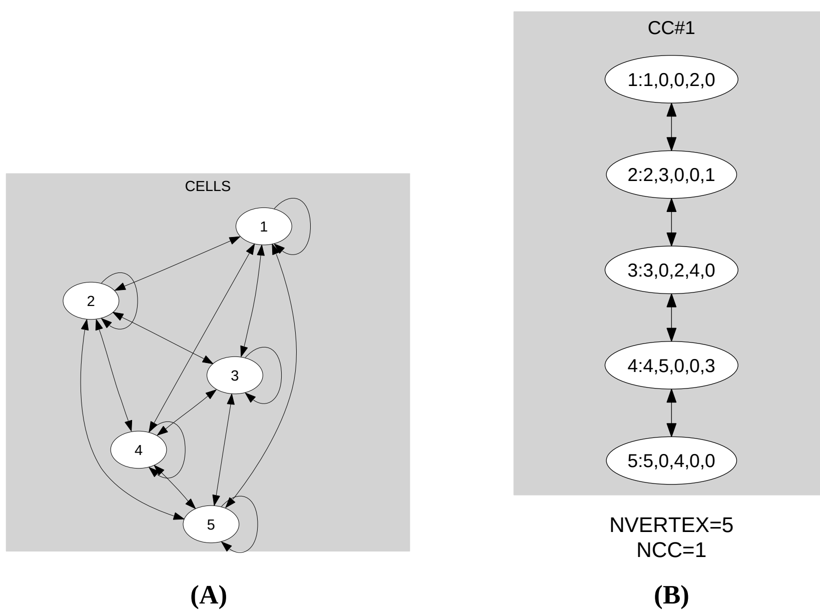

Figure 5.500: Initial and final graph of the polyomino constraint

Signature From the graph property **NVERTEX** $= \lvert$CELLS$\rvert$ and from the restriction $\lvert$CELLS$\rvert \geq 1$

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 $\overline{\underline{\mathbf{NCC}}}$ to $\underline{\mathbf{NCC}}$.