# Lattices and islands 

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## Definition/1

Grid, neighbours


## Definition/2

We call a rectangle/triangle an island, if for the cell $t$, if we denote its height by $a_{t}$, then for each cell $\hat{t}$ neighbouring with a cell of the rectange/triangle $T$, the inequality $a_{\hat{t}}<\min \left\{a_{t}: t \in T\right\}$ holds.

| 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
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For the maximum number of triangular islands in an equilateral rectangle of side length $n, \frac{n^{2}+3 n}{5} \leq f(n) \leq \frac{3 n^{2}+9 n+2}{14}$ holds.


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We have $4 s+2 d \leq(n+1)(m+1)$.
The number of leaves of $T(\mathcal{I})$ is $\ell=s+d$. Hence by Lemma 2 the number of islands is

$$
|V|-d \leq(2 \ell-1)-d=2 s+d-1 \leq \frac{1}{2}(n+1)(m+1)-1
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If $|\max \mathcal{I}| \geq 2$, then the proof is ready. Case $|\max \mathcal{I}|=1$ is an easy excersise.

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Island formula for Boolean algebras (P. Hajnal, E.K. Horváth) $b(n)=1+2^{n-1}$.

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For every $p \in \mathbb{N}$, the cut of the height function, i.e. the $p$-cut of $h$ is an ordinary relation $h_{p}$ on $\{1,2, \ldots, m\} \times\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ defined by

$$
(x, y) \in h_{p} \text { if and only if } h(x, y) \geq p
$$

## Rectangular height functions/2

We say that two rectangles $\{\alpha, \ldots, \beta\} \times\{\gamma, \ldots, \delta\}$ and $\left\{\alpha_{1}, \ldots, \beta_{1}\right\} \times\left\{\gamma_{1}, \ldots, \delta_{1}\right\}$ are distant if they are disjoint and for every two cells, namely $(a, b)$ from the first rectangle and $(c, d)$ from the second, we have $(a-c)^{2}+(b-d)^{2} \geq 4$.

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The height function $h$ is called rectangular if for every $p \in \mathbb{N}$, every nonempty $p$-cut of $h$ is a union of distant rectangles.

## Rectangular height functions/3

| 5 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 4 |
| 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 |

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$$
\begin{aligned}
& \Gamma_{1}=\{1,2,3,4,5\} \times\{1,2,3\}, \\
& \Gamma_{2}=\{1,2,3,4,5\} \times\{1,2,3\} \backslash\{(3,1)\}, \\
& \Gamma_{3}=\{(1,2),(1,3),(2,2),(2,3),(3,3),(4,2),(4,3),(5,2),(5,3)\}, \\
& \Gamma_{4}=\{(1,2),(1,3),(2,2),(2,3),(4,2),(4,3),(5,2),(5,3)\} \text { and } \\
& \Gamma_{5}=\{(1,3),(2,3),(4,3),(5,3)\}
\end{aligned}
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$$
h_{\mathbb{N}}(\mu, \nu) \geq \min \left\{h_{\mathbb{N}}(\alpha, \gamma), h_{\mathbb{N}}(\beta, \delta)\right\} .
$$

## Rectangular height functions/5

## Theorem 2

For every height function $h:\{1,2, \ldots, n\} \times\{1,2, \ldots, m\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, there is a rectangular height function $h^{*}:\{1,2, \ldots, n\} \times\{1,2, \ldots, m\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, such that $\mathcal{I}_{\text {rect }}(h)=\mathcal{I}_{\text {rect }}\left(h^{*}\right)$.


## Rectangular height functions/6 CONSTRUCTING ALGORITHM

1. $\mathrm{FOR} i=t \mathrm{TO} 0$
2. FOR $y=1 \mathrm{TO} n$
3. FOR $x=1 \mathrm{TO} m$
4. IF $h(x, y)=a_{i}$ THEN
5. $\mathrm{j}:=\mathrm{i}$
6. WHILE there is no island of $h$ which is a subset of $h_{a_{j}}$ that contains $(x, y)$ DO $\mathrm{j}:=\mathrm{j}-1$
7. ENDWHILE
8. Let $h^{*}(x, y):=a_{j}$.
9. ENDIF
10. NEXT $x$
11. NEXT $y$
12. NEXT $i$
13. END.

## Rectangular height functions/7 LATTICE-VALUED REPRESENTATION

## Theorem 3

Let $h:\{1,2, \ldots, m\} \times\{1,2, \ldots, n\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a rectangular height function. Then there is a lattice $L$ and an $L$-valued mapping $\Phi$, such that the cuts of $\Phi$ are precisely all islands of $h$.

## Rectangular height functions/8

Let $h:\{1,2,3,4,5\} \times\{1,2,3,4\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a height function.

| 4 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 4 |
| 2 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 1 | 5 |
| 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

## Rectangular height functions/9

$h$ is a rectangular height function. Its islands are:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& I_{1}=\{(1,4)\}, \\
& I_{2}=\{(1,3),(1,4),(2,3),(2,4)\}, \\
& I_{3}=\{(1,2),(1,3),(1,4),(2,2),(2,3),(2,4),(3,2),(3,3),(3,4)\}, \\
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## Rectangular height functions/10

Its cut relations are:

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h10}=
h9}=\mp@subsup{I}{1}{}\mathrm{ (one-element island)
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h7 = I_ (nine-element square island)
h6}=\mp@subsup{I}{3}{}\cup\mp@subsup{I}{4}{}\mathrm{ (this cut is a disjoint union of two islands)
h5}=\mp@subsup{I}{3}{}\cup\mp@subsup{I}{5}{}\cup\mp@subsup{I}{6}{}\mathrm{ (union of three islands)
h4}=\mp@subsup{I}{3}{}\cup\mp@subsup{I}{7}{}\mathrm{ (union of two islands)
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Theorem $5 \Lambda_{\max }(m, n)=m+n-1$.

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The maximum number of different nonempty $p$-cuts of a standard rectangular height function is equal to the minimum cardinality of maximal systems of islands.

## Rectangular height functions/15

## Lemma 1

If $m \geq 3$ and $n \geq 3$ and a height function
$h:\{1,2, \ldots, m\} \times\{1,2, \ldots, n\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ has maximally many islands, then it has exactly two maximal islands.

## Rectangular height functions/16

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## Theorem 6

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