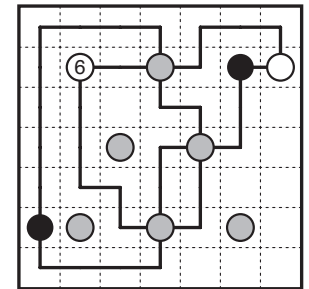


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Grids 1-2: Follow regular LITS rules. Between the two LITS grids, the corresponding white cells can never both be shaded, while the corresponding gray cells must be identical in the three 200-shaped regions.

Use the LITS solutions and your ingenuity to discover the needed constraints for Grids 3-4. For Grid 3, you will find that some gray circles must change color to white or black.

Grid 3: Follow regular Balance Loop rules. Additionally, the loop must cross itself if it passes through a gray circle. The loop must go straight through the gray circle both times; in one direction the path behaves as if the circle is white with equal loop lengths, and in the other direction the path behaves as if the circle is black with unequal loop lengths. It is not required that the loop pass through all of the gray circles (but it must pass through all white and black circles).



Grid 4: Follow regular Yajilin rules.

When taken together, the grids yield a short final answer! Send this (less than five character) string to hiddencontest@gmpuzzles.com by March 14th, 2021 to be eligible to win an e-book by Prasanna Seshadri.

Grid 1 LITS	Grid 3 BALANCE LOOP (CRISSCROSS)
Grid 2 LITS	Grid 4 YAJILIN

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W C20 - W 4 C15 W C12 R4 C14 B R2 - C15 3 W R1 C14 4 W	
2 B B R2 C3 C2 R7 B 3 C2 - C16 W C19 B C18 8 6 R5 R4	
C3 R9 C3 R4 6 B 6 C4 R1 B B R6 - R6 R5 W W R5 W C10	
R5 R4 4 8 6 C4 B W W 8 W R2 R7 - C15 W C5 R5 C12 -	
R5 R1 C20 W R3 C4 R3 - C8 R2 4 C7 W 6 B - R2 C13 C2 C4	
R3 4 - B C14 4 C7 4 R6 - 8 W C6 R3 - R6 B W - W	
W C6 R1 R9 R10 B C8 R9 B 2 12 6 4 3 B - B R7 12 -	
C6 5 B C2 W C3 6 B C1 W C3 C10 C8 R4 W W C1 4 C11 R8	
R5 - B R5 - C14 B - B C1 R10 W - R3 R5 C12 R6 W R4 -	
B C14 R5 C14 - R5 C14 - C9 R8 W - C4 6 C5 W 6 C11 R4 W	
C5 R5 0 D C3 R9 R1 R C2 C17 R3 3 - - R R2 C7 - - U	
R5 R10 - - R7 C17 - 4 R2 U 0 C4 D C4 R6 - U C12 - 2	
R 6 C3 3 5 U - 2 D R7 C18 0 R7 7 R - 2 C19 R2 R5	
C1 2 C7 L R3 C3 - C1 C4 U 3 3 R2 1 C4 C3 4 R6 L C13	N B L H
R9 U D 1 R5 C6 - R1 R10 C20 D L C17 - L R3 R R3 7 U	N Y C U G
1 R4 C5 2 C11 3 R4 C6 R1 R6 D R3 R6 - R U C7 C5 C18 1	? G Y H I
C4 L D C20 U - - R4 U - C11 C14 C3 R7 R5 2 L 0 2 C3	B C M ? ?
R8 - - C7 R6 C9 0 C7 1 - 4 2 - - C2 R10 C2 C5 L R2	
C18 L C20 R1 L 2 C19 1 1 C2 R3 D R7 C6 2 C6 D R8 R5 L	
R1 2 R1 L 2 R8 2 R C14 R5 1 L C8 0 D R2 0 R8 C5 1	