

General template to build a detailed sheet for each puzzle and problems treated by cMinds

The problem

Title of the problem: **Water puzzle**

//Long description of the problem. Be as detailed as possible.

You have a 3 and a 5 litre water container, each container has no markings except for that which gives you its total volume. You also have a running tap. You must use the containers and the tap in such a way as to exactly measure out 4 litres of water. How is this done? DON'T spill a drop.

Data

//All the numerical parameters of the problem.

1(One) 5-litre can

1(One) 3- litre can

1 running tap

Desirable outcome: 4 litres of water (either in the 5-litre can or 3-litre can)

Solution

//We need to describe here the most ideal solution for the problem, both with a simple algorithm and with a graphical solution

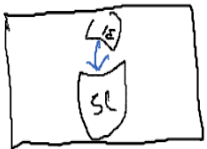
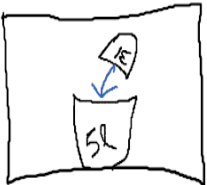
Three solutions are addressed to this problem. Solutions 2 and 3 are the more optimal.

IMPORTANT NOTE (useful for gaining understandind of the solution): What does pour content from 5 litre can into the 3 litre can means ? (AND VICE VERSA)?

It means that the content from the 5 –litre can is being poored into the 3 litre can **without overflow to occur.**

SOLUTION 1 (SERIAL ACTIONS- maybe the first solution that students will compose)

Graphical



1. Algorithmic - Pseudocode

Fill the 3 litre can from the tap.

Pour content from the 3 litre can into the 5 litre can.

Fill the 3 litre can from the tap.

Pour content from the 3 litre can into the 5 litre can.

// Leaving the 5 litre can full and 1 litre in the 3 litre can.

Pour away the contents of the 5 litre can

Fill the 3 litre can from the tap.

Pour content from 3 litre can into the 5 litre can.

// Leaving 4 litres in the 5 litre can

SOLUTION 2 (A MORE EFFICIENT VERSION OF SOLUTION 1)

2. Graphical



3. Algorithmic

While (3 litre can is empty) {

Fill the 3 litre can from the tap.

Pour content from the 3 litre can into the 5 litre can}

// Leaving the 5 litre can
full and 1 litre in the 3 litre
can. 3-litre can is not empty

Pour away the contents of the 5 litre can

Fill the 3 litre can from the tap.

Pour content from the 3 litre can into the 5 litre can.

// leaving 4 litres in the 5
litre can

SOLUTION 3 (AN ALTERNATIVE WAY OF SOLVING THE PROBLEM)

Detailed description for solution 3

Fill the 5 litre can from the tap

Empty the 5 litre can into the 3 litre can - leaving 2 litres in the 5 litre can.

Pour away the contents of the 3 litre can.

Fill the 3 litre can with the 2 litres from the 5 litre can - leaving 2 litres in the 3 litre can.

Fill the 5 litre can from the tap.

Fill the remaining 1 litre space in the 3 litre can from the 5 litre can.

Leaving 4 litres in the 5 litre can.

Graphical



Algorithmic

Fill the 5 litre can from the tap

Pour content from 5 litre can into the 3 litre can

Pour away the contents of the 3 litre can

Pour content from 5 litre can into the 3 litre can

Fill the 5 litre can from the tap

Pour content from the 5 litre can into 3 litre can

// 2 litres are now in the 5 litre can

// leaving 2 litres in the 3 litre can

//Leaving 4 litres in the 5 litre can.

List of needed assets (aka talking about the assets)

//Now that we have a solution, we can describe different scenarios (of course not all of them) requiring different assets. This will give us all the assets we need. We need to keep it as simple as possible. It is a list of all the assets used in the result zone and all their possible variations.

For example, if we have a result box for eggs with dots, we need to have it in different states:

- empty
- one egg
- two eggs
- full

Important: all the assets described here MIGHT NOT be new. For example, we already have assets for the robot walking or picking stuff. But they still need to be described here. The brand new assets will be singled out in the list below. Also, the assets are just described not pictured here. Again, only the new assets will be pictured below. We could use the same numbering system as below for the assets to keep some level of coherence. In order to have a list as clear as possible, we divide the assets into four categories: action, tests, code, result zone//

A. Action

- A1. Fill the 3 litre can from the tap.
- A2. Fill the 5 litre can from the tap
- A3. Pour content from the 3 litre can into the 5 litre can.
- A4. Pour content from 5 litre can into the 3 litre can
- A5. Pour away the contents of the 5 litre can
- A6. Pour away the contents of the 3 litre can

B. Tests

- B1. 3-litre can is empty

C. Code

- C1. WHILE

D. Result zone general purpose assets

D1. 5- litre can is full	D7. 3-litre can is full
D2. 5-litre can is empty	D8. 3- litre can is empty
D3. 5-litre can has 1 litres of water	D9. 3- litre can has 1 litre of water
D4. 5-litre can has 2 litre of water	D10. 3 - litre can has 2 litres of water
D5. 5- litre can has 3 litres of water	
D6. 5- litre can has 4 litres of water	

D11. The running tap

D12. Robot is still

D13. Robot holds the 5 litre- can

D14. Robot holds the 3- litre can

D15. Robot is walking holding the 5 litre-
can

D16. Robot is walking holding the 3 litre-
can

D17. Robot is pouring water from 5- litre
can into 3-litre can

D18. Robot is pouring water from 3-litre can
into 5-litre can

D19. Robot is pouring the content of the 5-
litre can away in the tap

D19. Robot is pouring the content of the 3-
litre can away in the tap

D20. Robot fills the 5-litre can from the tap


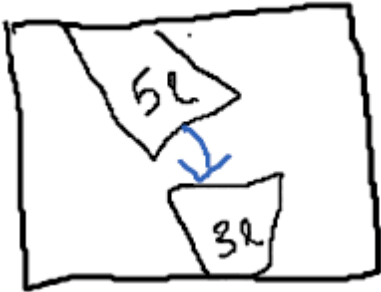

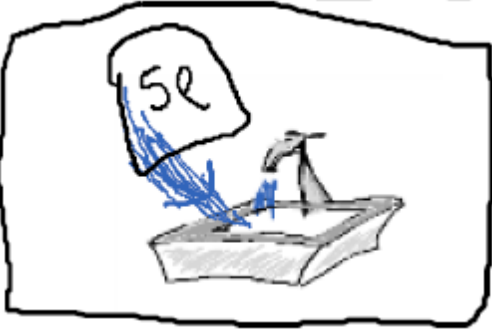

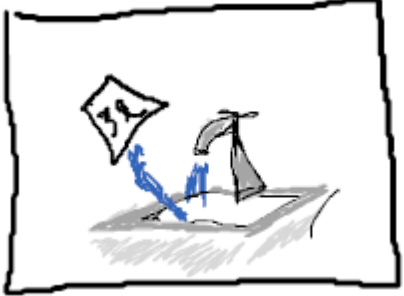
D21. Robot fills the 3-litre can from the tap

Visualization (aka drawing the assets)

Nothing more than a drawing of an asset and a number which will be used throughout this document.

1. Action

//All the assets which will be available in the action toolbox.

	A1		A4
	A2		A5
	A3		A6







2. Test







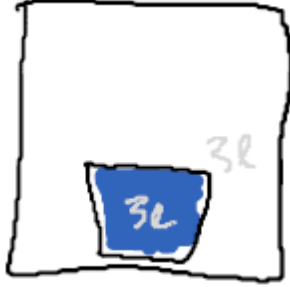



All the assets which will be available in the tests toolbox.





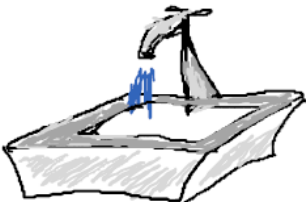

TESTS	
	B1

3. General purpose

//Here we have all the new assets which will be used in the result zone.

	D1		D14
	D2		D15
	D3		D16

	<p>D4</p>		<p>D17</p>
	<p>D5</p>		<p>D18</p>
	<p>D6</p>		<p>D19</p>
	<p>D7</p>		<p>D20</p>
	<p>D8 (THIS IS ALSO A TEST B1)</p>		<p>D21</p>

	<p>D9</p>		<p>D22</p>
	<p>D10</p>		<p>D23</p>
	<p>D11</p>		<p>D24</p>