

## 6.092: Assignment 7: Magic Squares!

A magic square of order  $n$  is an arrangement of  $n \times n$  numbers, usually distinct integers, in a square, such that the  $n$  numbers in all rows, all columns, and both diagonals sum to the same constant (see Wikipedia: [Magic Square](#)).

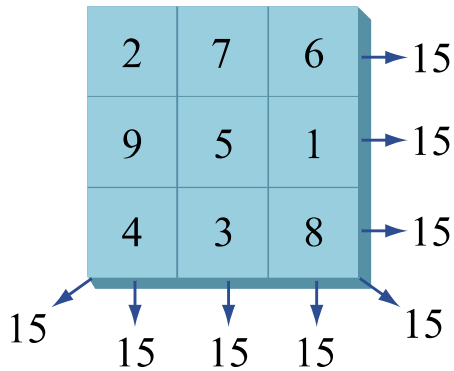


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### Checking the row values

We give you two text files: `Mercury.txt` and `Luna.txt`

For each file: open the file, and check that all rows indeed sum to the same constant.

### Hints

Copy both text files to the root directory of your project. This is the directory that contains the `src` folder. Alternative: Use absolute paths to the files (`c:\somedir\Mercury.txt` on Windows or `/Users/myuser/Mercury.txt` on Mac)

You will need to handle or rethrow `IOException`

Read the files line by line as explained during the lecture today.

Use `... = myLine.split("\t");` to break apart each line at the tab character, producing an array of `String` (`String[]`), each containing one value. Consult the Java API reference for [String.split](#).

Finally, use `... = Integer.valueOf(substring);` to transform each string value into an integer value.

### Optional Part: Column / Diagonal Values

Optionally, try to check that the columns and the diagonal also sum to the same constant. This is slightly trickier!

### Submission Instructions

Submit your `MagicSquares.java` file via Stellar.

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