

# Introduction to Discrete Math

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- Mathematical Thinking
  - Convincing Arguments, Find Example, Recursion, Logic, Invariants
- Probability & Combinatorics
  - Counting, Probability, Random Variables
- Graph Theory
  - Graphs (cycles, classes, parameters)
- Number Theory & Cryptography
  - Arithmetic in modular form
  - Intro to Cryptography



Mathematical Thinking –Find Example

# HOW TO FIND AN EXAMPLE

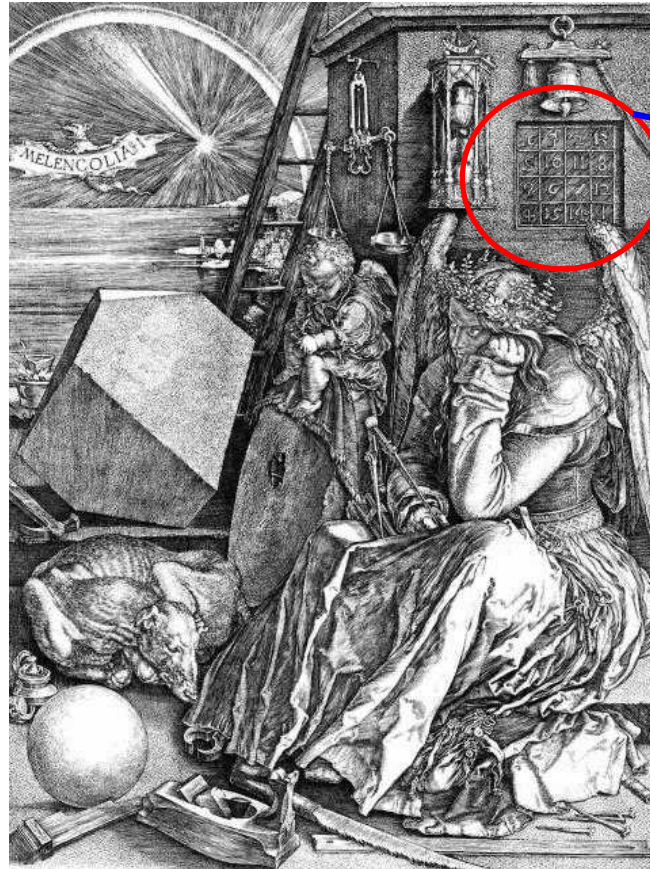
- Magic Square
- Narrow Search
- Multiplicative Magic Squares
- Additional Puzzles
- Integer Linear Combinations
- Paths in a Graphs



# Find ways!

Melancholia (1514)  
An engraving by  
Albrecht Durer

- \* melancholia – very deep sadness, depression, withdrawal, apathy
- \* apathy – lack of interest, concern or enthusiasm



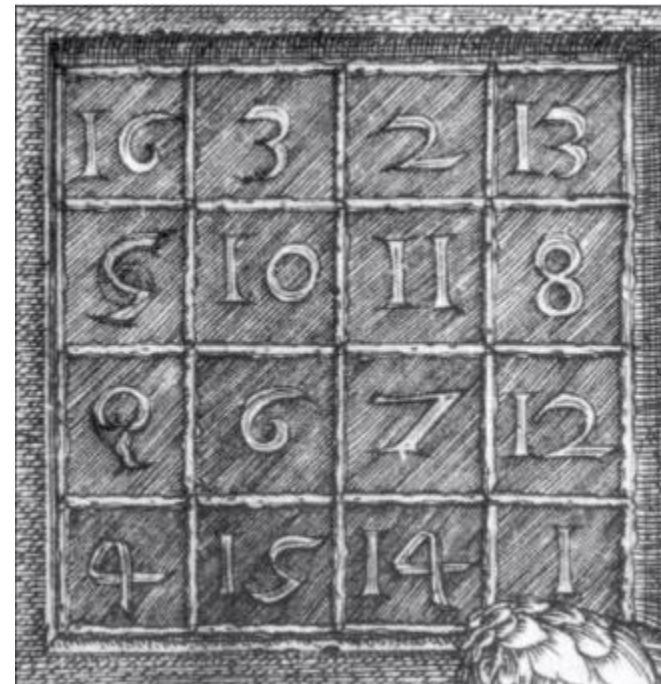
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magic square!

# Magic Square

definition:

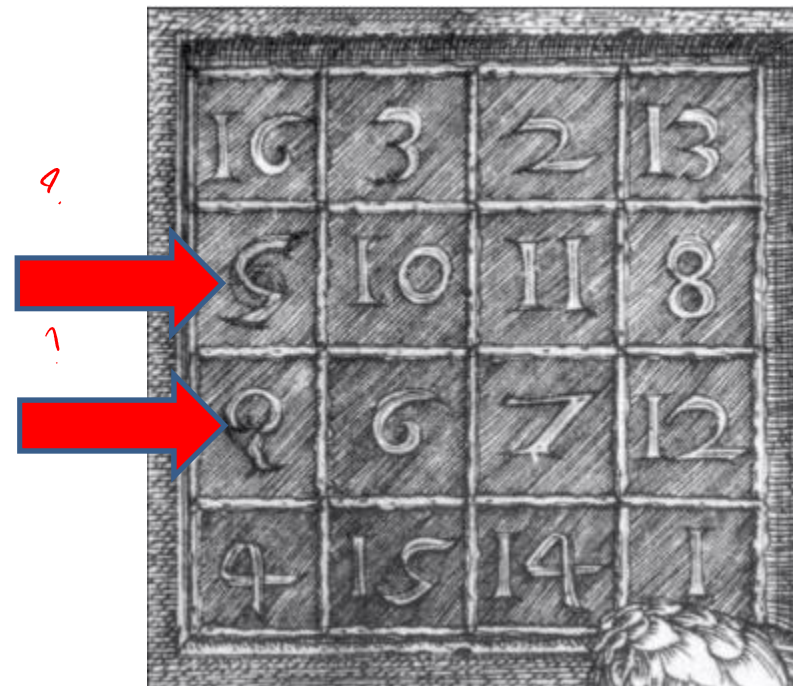
- a table with unique numbers whose sum for all 4 rows, 4 columns, and 2 diagonals (for a 4x4) are the same
- For a  $n \times n$  square
  - 1, 2, 3, ..., 15, 16
  - 1, 2, 3, ...,  $n^2$



# Magic Square

Taking a good look

- You can see some numbers are not clear, can you identify the numbers?
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> row, 1<sup>st</sup> col
    - It is 5
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> row, 1<sup>st</sup> col
    - It is 9



## Find Magic Squares

- Durer: gave proof that magic square of size 4 (composed of 1,2,...,16) exists
- but! a magic square of size 2 (composed of 1,2,3,4) does not exist →  
– why?



$a$	$b$
$c$	$d$

$$a + b = a + c \Rightarrow b = c$$

- which violates uniqueness of items

What about size 3?

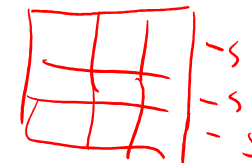
Can we make a magic square with items 1,2,...,9?





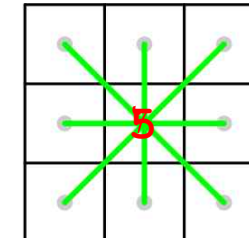
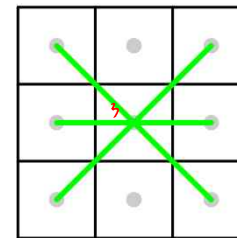
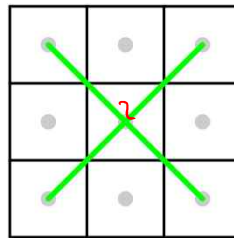
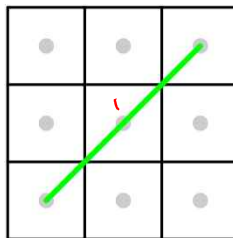
## The Search for the 3x3 Magic Square

- a magic square exists if  $n > 2$  ✓
- brute force for 3 x 3 feasible?
  - \* brute force – use all combinations possible by trial & error
  - all permutations (possible mix) for 9 digits
    - $9 \times 8 \times 7 \times \dots \times 1 = 362880$
    - no problem for computers, but challenging for most humans
- what is row/column/diagonal sum  $s$ ?
  - $ts \Rightarrow 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 9 = 45$ ; ts = total sum
  - ts =  $3s$
  - $s \Rightarrow 45 / 3 = \underline{15}$  per row/col, since there are 3 rows & 3 cols



# The Search for the 3x3 Magic Square

- **hint: focus on the center**
  - summing up 4 lines passing through the center



- let  $4s$  represent the total sum for 4 lines
- note that we used all the numbers once to get  $4s$  except the center one which was used 4 times
  - $ts$  (sum up all numbers) +  $3 \times C$  (center number, only 3 times since used once already in  $ts$ ), therefore
- $4s = ts + 3C$ , recall  $ts = 3s$
- $4s - 3s = 3C \Rightarrow s = 3C$
- $C = s/3$ , recall  $s = 15$ , hence  $\Rightarrow C = 5$

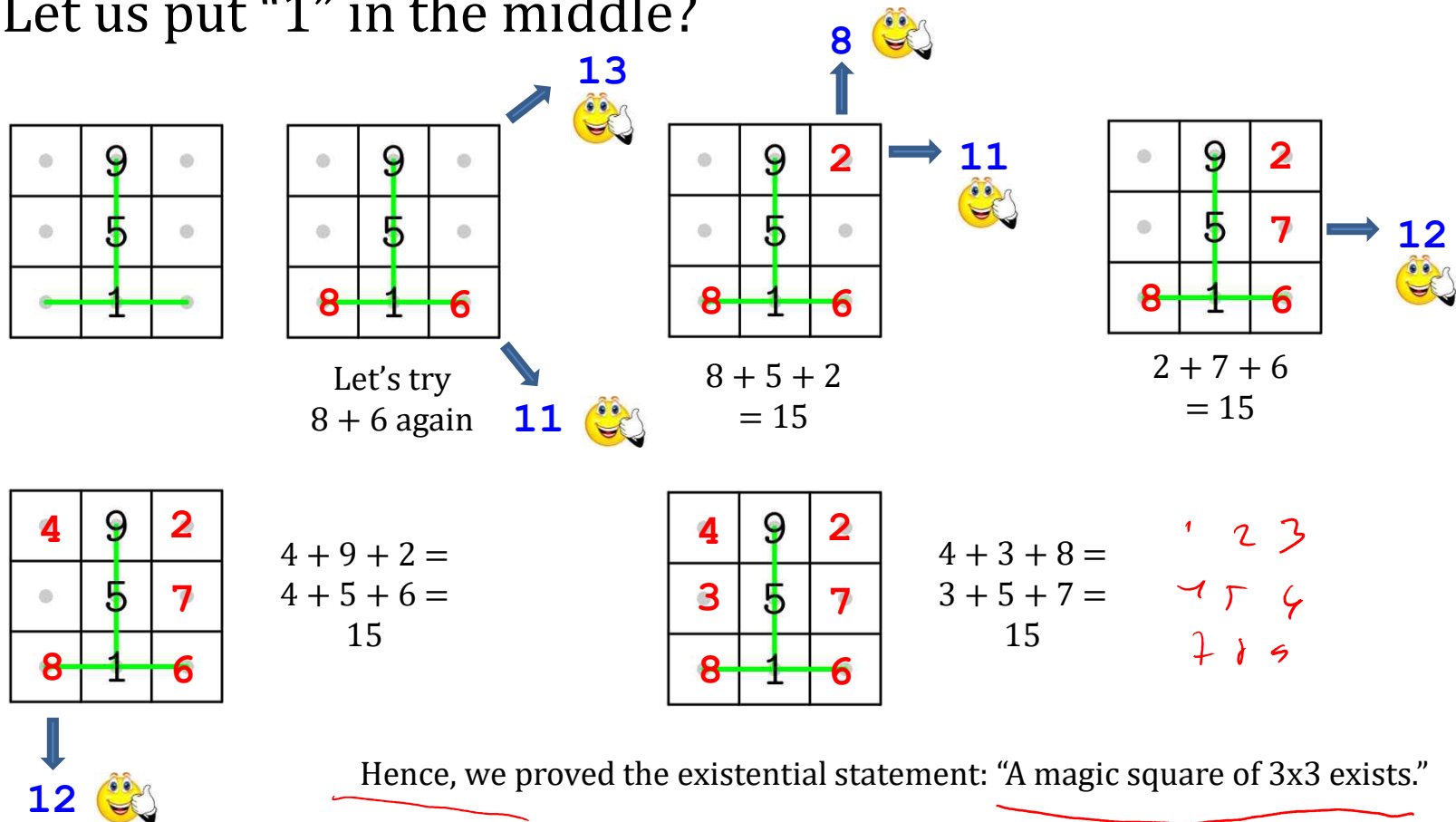
# The Search for the 3x3 Magic Square

- Now let us analyze where we can put “1”, how about corner?

- recall  $s = 15$ , therefore we need 14
- $14 = 5 + 9, 6 + 8$ ; only possible combinations
- Let's try  $6 + 8$

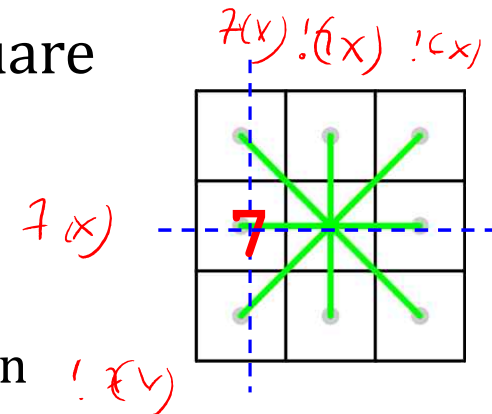
# The Search for the 3x3 Magic Square

- Let us put “1” in the middle?



## Magic Square, Product not Sum

- magic square: sums for rows, cols, diagonals are same
- how about the product?
  - cannot use sequential numbers, ex: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
  - why? take for example “7” in a 3x3 square
    - we put “7” anywhere
    - 7 is part of product with dash lines
    - all the others do not have 7
    - No other number can give 7 in combination
- use of arbitrary positive integers are allowed
- is it possible though?



# Magic Square, Product not Sum

- $\underline{2^{x+y}} = 2^x * 2^y$
- exponentiation: addition  $\rightarrow$  multiplication

sum: 15

4	9	2
3	5	7
8	1	6

 $\rightarrow$ 

$2^4$	$2^9$	$2^2$
$2^3$	$2^5$	$2^7$
$2^8$	$2^1$	$2^6$

 $\rightarrow$  product:

$$2^{15} = 2^4 * 2^9 * 2^2$$

(32,768)

product:

$$2^{14} = 2^3 * 2^8 * 2^1$$

(4,096)

- numbers are big,  $2^9 = 512$
- how about get numbers less than 300?
  - divide numbers by 2, hence largest would be  $2^9 / 2 = 256$  ( $2^8$ )
- how about less than 40?

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 2^3 & 2^8 & 2^4 \\ 2^2 & 2^4 & 2^6 \\ 2^7 & 2^0 & 2^5 \end{array}$$

$2^0 = 1$

# Magic Square, Product not Sum

- numbers less than 40

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## 100??? Divisible by 9127

- a 6-digit number starting with "100" & divisible by 9127?
  - not that many candidates
- lazy(?) programmers way, (brute force version)

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for i = 100000 to 100999
  if i is multiple of 9127
    print (i)
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1st +

- mathematical way, paper & pencil (aka hard way :D )
  - $100,000/9127 = 10.956503 \approx 11$  (round to 11 )
    - why not 10? Checking,  $10 \times 9,127 = 91,270$  (incorrect) ✗
  - $11 \times 9,127 = \underline{100,397}$  (candidate solution) ✓
    - try  $12 \times 9,127 = \underline{109,524}$  (above limit)
  - therefore 11 is the correct answer

2nd



## 3-digit number N, Remainder One

- a 3-digit number N that gives a remainder of 1 when divided by 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7?
  - we set 3-digits since if not, we can say answer is “1”
    - recall, 1 divided by any number from 2 will give a remainder of 1 ( $1/N = X \text{ rem } 1$ )
  - take note that  $N/\{2,3,4,5,6,7\}$  will give remainder 1
    - hence,  $(N-1)/\{2,3,4,5,6,7\}$  will give us remainder “0”
  - so taking the multiple of 2,3,4,5,6,7
  - $2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7 = 420$ , ; why 4 & 6 are not used?
    - 4 has factors (1, 2 & 4), 6 has (1, 2, 3 & 6)
  - $N - 1 = 420$ ;  $N = 421$  ↗
  - Try other candidates:
    - 420 x 2 + 1 = 841 ✓
    - 420 x 3 + 1 = 1261, not three digits any more;  $N = \{421, 841\}$  }

## Perfect Square That Starts With 31415

- an integer  $n$  such that  $n^2 = 31415\dots?$
- note: finite decimal fraction is good enough,  $(10x)^2 = 100x^2$ 
  - $YYY.YYY \times 10 \Rightarrow \underline{YYYY.YY}$ , move decimal pt one place to the right
  - $(YYY.YYY)^2 \Rightarrow \underline{YYYYYY.Y}$ , move decimal pt two places to the right
- Just take for now  $\sqrt{(31415)} = 177.242771$  (calculator)
  - $177.242771^2 = 31\,414.999872\dots$  (calculator)
  - $177.243^2 = 31\,415.081049$ , round off 3 decimal pts left hand side
  - for left hand side of eqn: move dec pt 3 places to right then square
    - $177.243 \rightarrow \underline{177\,243.00^2}$
  - then for right hand side: move dec pt double ( $3 \times 2 = 6$ ) places to right
    - $31\,415.081049 \rightarrow \underline{31\,415\,081049.00}$
  - Hence,  $\underline{177\,243^2 = 31\,415\,081\,049}$

## Two Perfect Squares That Starts With 31415

- another integer  $n$  with different first digit such that  $n^2 = \underline{31415}...$ ?
- can we use same method?
- let's try with 3141.5
  - $\sqrt{3141.5} = 56.0490856...$  (calculator)
  - $5605^2 = 31\,416\,025$ ; too big (calculator)
  - $560491^2 = \underline{314\,150\,161\,081}$ ; Ok
- hence the two perfect squares starting with 31415 are:
  - 177 243 & 560 491

## Just 7 & 13

Imagine a country with currency of only 7 & 13 ewan coins

Two person with same amount of coins for each type

- possible for one person to pay 6 ewans to the other?
  - Yes:  $6 = 1 \times 13 \text{ ewans} - 1 \times 7 \text{ ewans}$ ; easy ←
- how about paying 1 ewan?
  - Yes:  $2 \times 7 \text{ ewans} - 1 \times 13 \text{ ewans} = 1 \text{ ewan}$ ; or  $7 - 6 = 1$  (using prev knowledge above)
- 2 ewans?
  - Yes:  $4 \times 7 \text{ ewans} - 2 \times 13 \text{ ewans} = 2 \text{ ewans}$  ; or  $2 \times 1 = 2$  (use prev knowledge again)
- mathematically speaking, for any integer amount (for any integer  $c$ )
  - $7x + 13y = c$



## Now just 15 & 21

What if coins were changed to 15 & 21 only

- Possible to pay 6 ewans?  $3 \cdot 5$   $3 \cdot 7$   
 $9$   
 $2 \cdot 3$ 
  - $6 = 1 \times 21 \text{ ewans} - 1 \times 15 \text{ ewans}$
- how about paying 8 ewans?  $2 \cdot 2$ 
  - No: obstacle, coins are multiples of 3, cannot get 8 or 1
- 3 ewans?  $1 \cdot 1$ 
  - Yes:  $6 = 1 \times 21 - 1 \times 15 \rightarrow 9 = 1 \times 15 - 6 \rightarrow 3 = 9 - 6$ ; or
- Unfolding to find out how we paid for 3 ewans:
  - $9 = 2 \times 15 \text{ ewans} - 1 \times 21 \text{ ewans}$ ,  $3 = 3 \times 15 \text{ ewans} - 2 \times 21 \text{ ewans}$
- Hence, any multiple of 3 can be paid  $3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3$   $4 \cdot 6 \cdot 9 \cdot 6 \cdot 3$
- mathematically speaking
  - $15x + 21y = c$   $\Leftrightarrow$  multiple of 3 (has integer solutions iff  $c$  multiple of 3)

## Ewan challenge (Assignment)

- With 7 & 13 ewan coins, is it possible to pay 5 ewans?
- How about with 15 & 21 ewan coins?



## Lotsa Hotel

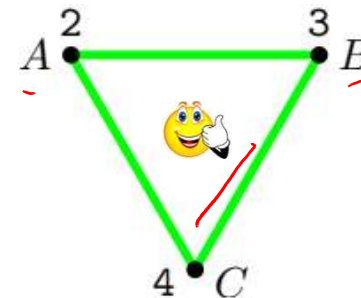
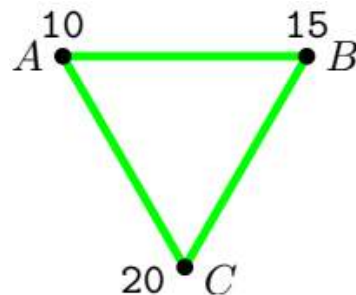


- One night stay vouchers for 3 hotels
  - one voucher for one night
    - voucher → can be used to stay in the hotel (like coupon, to stay free)
  - cannot use/stay two consecutive/successive nights in one hotel
  - Hotel A (10 vouchers)
  - Hotel B (15 vouchers)
  - Hotel C (20 vouchers)
- Can you use all 45 vouchers ( $10+15+20$ )
  - for 45 consecutive nights changing hotels each night?

## Hotels & Paths

Let us now shift from Number Theory to Graph Theory :D

- Hotels A(10), B(15), & C (25)
  - change hotel every night for 45 ( $10 + 15 + 20$ ) nights



- 10, 15 & 20 multiples of 5; we can simplify them into 2, 3 & 4
  - hence, total path should be: length of 9 repeated 5 times
- must be different end points: ex:  $A \rightarrow B$ ,  $B \rightarrow C$ ; not  $A \rightarrow B$ ,  $B \rightarrow A$
- since 4 C's, let us set C as every second point

• A →  
 • C →  
 • A →  
 • C →  
 • B →  
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 • B →  
 • C →



$C \uparrow C \uparrow C \uparrow C \dots C$   
2g

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- A triangle with vertices  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ . Side  $AB$  is 10, side  $BC$  is 15, and side  $AC$  is 30. A sad face is drawn inside the triangle.

**Thank you.**