



Coding/GitHub Challenge – Week 2

Problem Title: Number Spiral Pattern



Problem Statement

You are asked to generate a **spiral pattern of numbers** for a given size n .

- The spiral starts with **1** in the top-left corner and fills numbers in a **clockwise direction** until reaching $n \times n$.

Example

For $n = 3$

1 2 3

8 9 4

7 6 5

For $n = 4$

1 2 3 4

12 13 14 5

11 16 15 6

10 9 8 7



Task Requirements

- Write a Python program that:
 - Takes an integer n as input.
 - Generates and prints the **spiral matrix** of size $n \times n$.
 - Ensure your code works for any $n \geq 2$.
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Extra Challenge

- Format the output so numbers align neatly in columns (use spacing).
- Allow the user to choose **clockwise** or **counter-clockwise** spiral filling.

Input Format

- An integer n (size of the matrix).

Output Format

- An $n \times n$ spiral matrix printed line by line.
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Sample Test Case

Input:

3

Output:

1 2 3

8 9 4

7 6 5