# Games, graphs, and machines



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#### Important properties:

- 1. Grundy label 0 if and only if P state.
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  - 2. What about an (N, N) position?

### Example

What are the winning moves of  $\mathsf{Chomp}(3,3) + \mathsf{Nim}(4,5)$  (if any)?

### Fun aside: misere play

The player who cannot make a move wins!

## For more fun and games -

