
Euler Problem #92

This is the function that follows the rule of the number chain

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In[22]:= chain[initialNum_] :=  
  Module[{digits, squaredDigits},  
    (*Get each of the digits of the initial number input*)  
    digits = IntegerDigits[initialNum];  
    (*The square of each digit*)  
    squaredDigits = #^2 & /@ digits;  
    (*The sum of the squared digits*)  
    Total[squaredDigits]  
  ]
```

Example of this function working (64+81=145)

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In[69]:= chain[89]  
Out[69]= 145
```

This is a function that repeatedly applies the function until the last term becomes either 1 or 89 (It's given by the problem that all numbers end at 1 or 89)

```
In[181]:= untilChainStops[initialNum_] := NestWhile[chain[#] &, initialNum, # ≠ 89 && # ≠ 1 &]  
In[185]:= showtheChain[initialNum_] := NestWhileList[chain[#] &, initialNum, # ≠ 89 && # ≠ 1 &]
```

Examples of this function working/ Showing the chain itself (this is just for you to show the process!)

```
In[191]:= untilChainStops[44]  
Out[191]= 1  
  
In[192]:= showtheChain[44]  
Out[192]= {44, 32, 13, 10, 1}
```

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In[187]:= untilChainStops[145]
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```
Out[187]= 89
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```
In[188]:= showtheChain[145]
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Out[188]= {145, 42, 20, 4, 16, 37, 58, 89}
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In[197]:= showtheChain[9999]
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Out[197]= {9999, 324, 29, 85, 89}
```

Test every number until a hundred thousand (The Original Problem requires for ten million, but that computation took WAY too long...)

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In[195]:= results = untilChainStops[#] & /@ Range[100 000];
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How many numbers end at 89?

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In[196]:= Length@Select[results, # == 89 &]
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Out[196]= 85 623
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