

# Solution to Hexagonal problem

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**Software used :** MATLAB

**Input :** Number of concentric Hexagons which the user thinks can be appropriate to find the 2000<sup>th</sup> number satisfying the criteria.

**Output :** Number corresponding to the 2000<sup>th</sup> such number.

## MAIN

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%Main program:
% -> Order of Operations
%
% -> Reproduce the hexagonal arrangement of numbers as per the
problem-
%     -statement
%
% -> Identify the 6 neighbouring numbers of all the numbers based on
the-
%     -logic of nearest 6 numbers
%
% -> check if the center number is infact a factor of the product of
the-
%     -6 neighbouring numbers
%     1) Find the prime factors of the center number and the
surrounding
%     numbers
%     2) If all the prime factors of the center are present in the
prime
%     factors of all the 6 neighbouring numbers. Then the center
number is a
%     factor of the 6 other numbers.
%
% stop the program when the 2000th number is found

%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
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function main(hexes)
tic
clc
clear all
close all
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% Number of concentric number of hexagons that the program has to run
for
hexNumber = hexes;

% Variables to store the coordinates of the numbers in the hexagon
arrangement
mainX = zeros(1,6*sum(1:hexNumber)+1);
mainY = zeros(1,6*sum(1:hexNumber)+1);

% Calculating the actual coordinates and plotting them if necessary
to-
% -visualize

for i=0:hexNumber
    i;
    [coordX,coordY] = hexPoints(i);
    if i==0
        mainX(1) = coordX;
        mainY(1) = coordY;
    else
        mainX(1:6*sum(1:i)+1) = [mainX(1:6*sum(0:i-1)+1),coordX];
        mainY(1:6*sum(1:i)+1) = [mainY(1:6*sum(0:i-1)+1),coordY];
    end
end

% Storing the neighbours i.e., the 6 numbers surrounding every
number-
% -in factors

factors = zeros(6*sum(0:hexNumber-1)+1,6);

% Since the last hexagon will not be having six surrounding
neighbours-
% we stop finding the neighbours just a hexagon before the last one.
for i=1:6*sum(0:hexNumber-1)+1
    probe = i;
    [minX,maxX,minY,maxY] = drawHexagon(mainX(probe),mainY(probe));
    a = find(mainX>=minX-0.1 & mainX<=maxX+0.1);
    b = mainY(a)>=minY-0.1 & mainY(a)<=maxY+0.1;
    c = a(b);
    c(c == probe) = [];
    factors(i,:) = c';
end

% Solution function checks if the centre divides the product of the
rest of
% the numbers exactly or not and keeps a count of how many satisfy
the
% criteria.

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[count,eureka] = solution(factors,hexNumber);  
toc  
end
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## **HEX-POINTS**

% Points on hexagon. Calculates the coorinates of where the numbers  
need to  
% be.

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function [M,N] = hexPoints(hexNumber)
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% Number of points on the particular hexagon  
if hexNumber == 0

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    U = 0;  
    V = 0;
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    %          plott(U,V,hexNumber);  
    %Center coordinates are an exception  
    M = U;  
    N = V;
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else
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    theta = 0 : pi/3 : 2*pi;  
    theta = theta + pi/2;  
    r = ones(1,7);
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    %Cartesian coordinates of the vertices of the hexagon is  
    %1x7 matrices  
    [U,V] = pol2cart(theta,hexNumber*r);  
    [M,N] = midpointss(U,V,hexNumber);  
    %          plott(M,N,hexNumber);
```

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end
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end
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## **MID-POINTS**

% Since after the first hexagon the numbers start occupying the  
positions

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% along the edges of the Hexagon in a incremental fashion. That
observation
% is used to find the coordinates of the numbers and position them
% accordingly.
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function [M,N] = midpointss(X,Y,hexNumber)

iteration = 0;
i = 1;
M = zeros(1,6*hexNumber);
N = zeros(1,6*hexNumber);

while i <= 6*hexNumber
    % Number of mid points based on the hexagon number
    midPoints = hexNumber-1;
    % This is used to keep track of calculation occuring on which
line
    iteration = iteration + 1;
    M(i) = X(iteration);
    N(i) = Y(iteration);

    if midPoints ~= 0
        % m+n the ratio is same for all divisions
        denominator = midPoints + 1;
        j=1;

        while midPoints>0
            i = i + 1;

            M(i) =
(j*X(iteration+1)+midPoints*X(iteration))/denominator;
            N(i) =
(j*Y(iteration+1)+midPoints*Y(iteration))/denominator;

            midPoints = midPoints - 1;
            j = j+1;
        end
    end
    i = i+1;
end
end
```

## **PLOT**

```
% Plotting of points to better visualize
function plott(M,N,hexNumber)
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% Plotting '*' everywhere the number is supposed to be

plot(M,N, '*')

if hexNumber ==0
    % Labeling the center
    text(M,N, '1')
else
    % Labeling the points with corresponding numbers to verify
    label = 6*sum(0:(hexNumber-1))+2:6*sum(0:hexNumber)+1;
    for a = 1:length(M)
        text(M(a),N(a),num2str(label(a)));
    end
end

hold on;
axis equal

end

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## **DRAW HEXAGON**

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%Draw Hexagon i.e., to draw the boundaries of each number
function [minX,maxX,minY,maxY] = drawHexagon(Xcoord,Ycoord)
theta = 0 : pi/3: 2*pi;
theta = theta + pi/2;
r = ones(1,7);

[X,Y] = pol2cart(theta,r);

X = X + Xcoord;
Y = Y + Ycoord;

minX = min(X);
maxX = max(X);

minY = min(Y);
maxY = max(Y);

[theta,r] = cart2pol(X,Y);

%     polar(theta,r);
End

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## **SOLUTION**

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function [count,satisfy] = solution(factors,hexNumber)
count =1;
satisfy = zeros(1,2000);

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satisfy(1,1) = 1;
%      for i=1:6*sum(0:hexNumber-1)+1

%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
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% A crude way of checking if the centre is a factor of the product of
the
% rest of the 6 numbers. Results were not conclusive hence tried
different
% approaches
%
%           if mod(prod(factors(i,:)),i) == 0

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%2nd method where in  $a*b*c \bmod x = (a \bmod x) * (b \bmod x) * (c \bmod x) \bmod x$ 
%
%           if
mod(mod(factors(i,1),i)*mod(factors(i,2),i)*mod(factors(i,3),i)...
%
*mod(factors(i,4),i)*mod(factors(i,5),i)*mod(factors(i,6),i),i) == 0
%
%           count =count+1
%           satisfy(1,count) = i;
%           if count == 2000
%               disp(i)
%               break
%           end
%       end

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% 3rd Method: The method that worked, find the prime factors and
checks is
% all of the prime factors of center are present in the prime factors
of
% rest of the surrounding numbers.

for i=2:6*sum(0:hexNumber-1)+1
    primefactors = [factor(factors(i,1)), factor(factors(i,2))...
        , factor(factors(i,3)), factor(factors(i,4)), factor(factors(i,5)
    ))...
        , factor(factors(i,6))];
    dividend = factor(i);
    for eks=1:length(dividend)
        if ismember(dividend(eks),primefactors) &&
length(dividend)==nnz(dividend)
            for irpselon=1:length(primefactors)

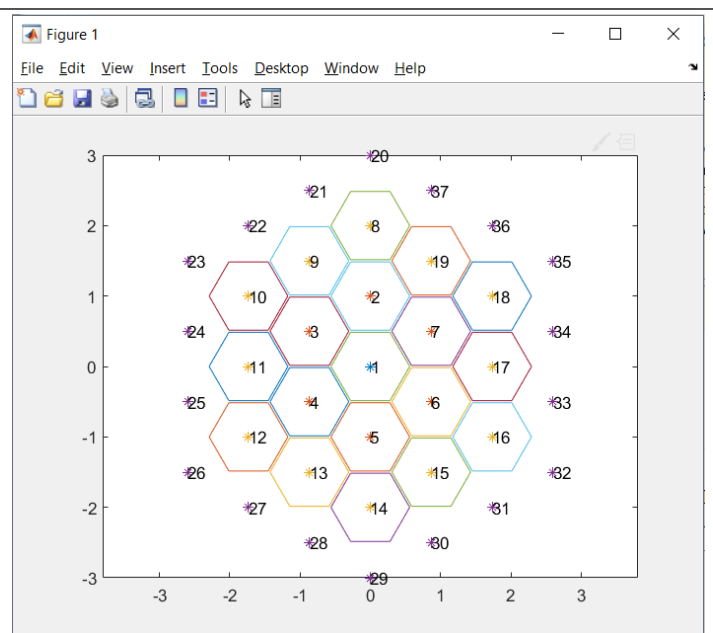
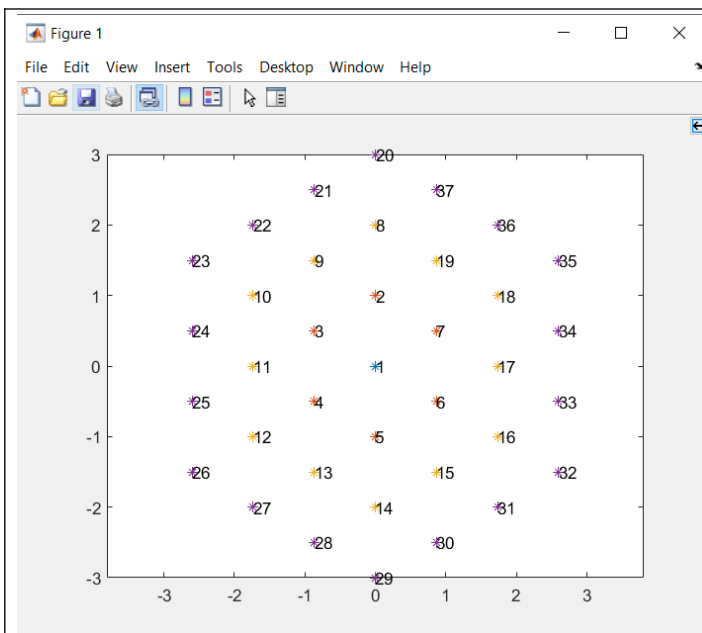
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        if dividend(eks) == primefactors(irpselon)
            primefactors(irpselon) = 0;
            dividend(eks) = 1;
            break
        end
    end
else
    dividend(eks)=0;
    break
end
end

if length(dividend)==nnz(dividend)
    count = count+1;
    satisfy(1,count) = i;
    if count == 2000 || count ==30
        disp(i)
        break
    end
end
end
end
end

```



### Command Window

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>> factors(1,:)
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ans =
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2      3      4      5      6      7
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fx >> |
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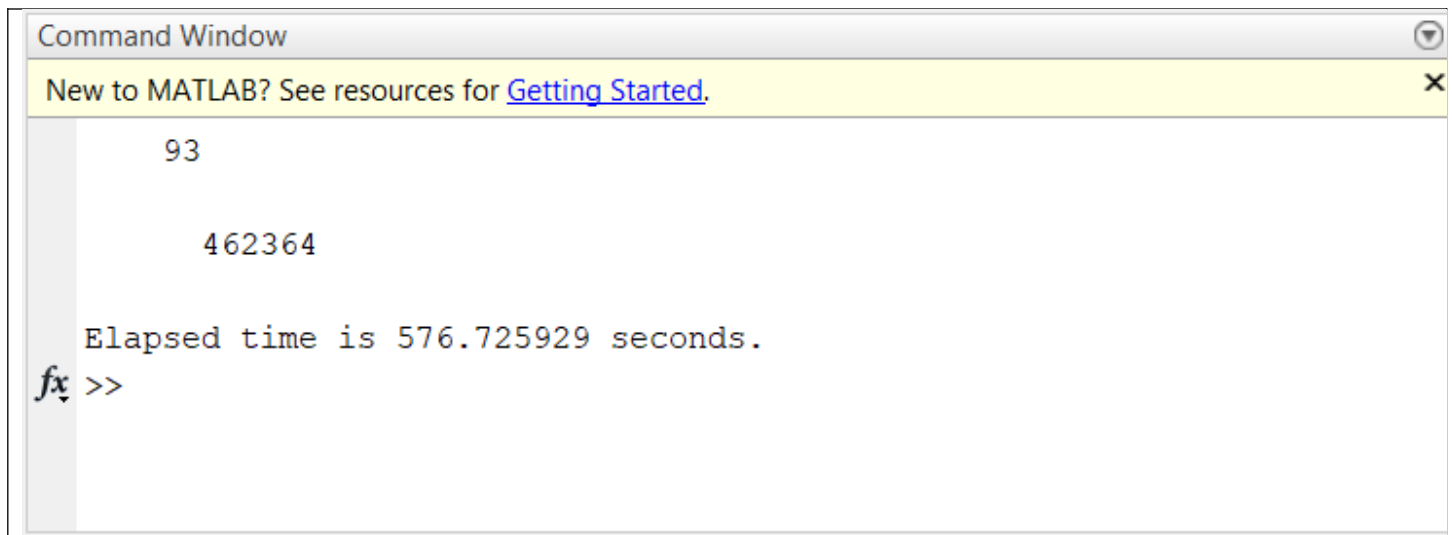
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93
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Elapsed time is 0.017599 seconds.
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fx >> |
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93
462364
Elapsed time is 576.725929 seconds.
fx >>
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93 is the 30<sup>th</sup> satisfying number.

462364 is the 2000<sup>th</sup> satisfying number.