

After removing the step 3 from the old game rule the whole thing became much simple and the game is now much balanced.

## Old Game Rules

R = robber, C = cop, N = number of rows, K = number of columns, m = multiplicity

1. Robbers placed randomly
2. Cops placed randomly
- ~~3. Venerable cops are removed~~
4. Robbers move
5. Venerable robbers are removed
6. Cops move
7. Venerable cops are removed
8. Repeat from step 4, until either one of them is left on the board.

## Multiplicity

The multiplicity required to catch the robbers is such that

$$m \times C \geq R; m \leq 9$$

If  $m \leq 5$ ,

$$m \times (C - 1) > R; m \leq 9$$

As for such m one more cop is required as compared to its higher values. But there are some exceptional cases for  $m = 1$  and 2, which are shown below.

## Exceptional Values of Multiplicity (m) less than 3

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// for some exceptional condition if multiplicity(m) = 1, 2
int FindMinM(int c, int r, int n, int k)
{
    int empty = n*k - (c+r);

    // 3
    if( r >= 2*n && c%n == 0 ) return 3;
    if( r > 2*n && empty >= n - r%n ) return 3;

    // 2
    if( r >= 8) return 2; // diagonal

    if( r >= n && c%n == 0 ) return 2;
    if( r > n && empty >= n - r%n ) return 2;
    if( r < n && c < 2*r && empty >= n + (n - r) + n - (c/2) ) return 2;

    // 1
    return 1;
}
```