


# Assignment8 / {XKCompressionD}

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# Methodology

- To compress an XKCD comic, the image is converted to black and white. Then, a String of 1s (white pixels) and 0s (black pixels) is constructed.
  - From there, an array is created that goes through the String and counts the number of black and white pixels in a row. If there are more than 255 pixels of the same color in a row, the the array places a 0 in the next index and then resumes in the index after that.
  - The array is then converted to binary and then added to *output.tzg*.
  - To decompress an image, the process is the exact opposite.
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# BW, writeHeaders, & getPixelCount

```
def blackWhite(img, threshold):  
    bw = cv2.cvtColor(img,cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)  
    bw[np.uint8(bw) < threshold] = 0  
    bw[np.uint8(bw) > threshold] = 255  
    return bw
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def writeHeaders(w,h,f):  
    f.write(b"TZG")  
    aSeriesOfBytes = struct.pack("<2I", w, h)  
    f.write(aSeriesOfBytes)
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```
def getPixelCount(pixels,startIndex,count=0):  
    counter=count  
    index=startIndex  
    val=pixels[index]  
    while counter<255 and index<len(pixels)-1 and  
        pixels[index]==val:  
        index+=1  
        counter+=1  
  
    return counter
```



# save

```
def save(img,filename):
    w,h=img.shape
    f=open(filename+".tzm","wb")
    writeHeaders(w,h,f)

    pixels=""

    for row in img:
        for pixel in row:
            if pixel==255:
                pixels+="1"
            else:
                pixels+="0"

    pixelsSize=len(pixels)
    index=0
    turn=0
    npixels=[]
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```
while index<pixelsSize-1:
    if turn%2==0 and pixels[index]=="0":
        num=getPixelCount(pixels,index,0)
        npixels.append(num)
        index+=num
    elif turn%2==1 and pixels[index]=="1":
        num = getPixelCount(pixels,index,0)
        npixels.append(num)
        index+=num

    turn+=1

npixels.append(1)

bnpixels=[]

for pixel in npixels:
    bnpixels.append(bin(pixel))
    f.write(struct.pack("<B", pixel))

f.close()
```

# read

```
def read(filename):
    f = open("%s.tzg" % filename, "rb")
    x = f.read(3)
    if x != b"TZG":
        print("invalid file")
    w, h = struct.unpack("<2I", f.read(8))

    pixels = []
    while 1:
        b = f.read(1)
        if not b:
            break
        pixels.append(struct.unpack("<B", b))

    npixels=[]
    index=0
```

```
while index<len(pixels)-1:
    npixels.append(int(pixels[index][0]))
    index+=1

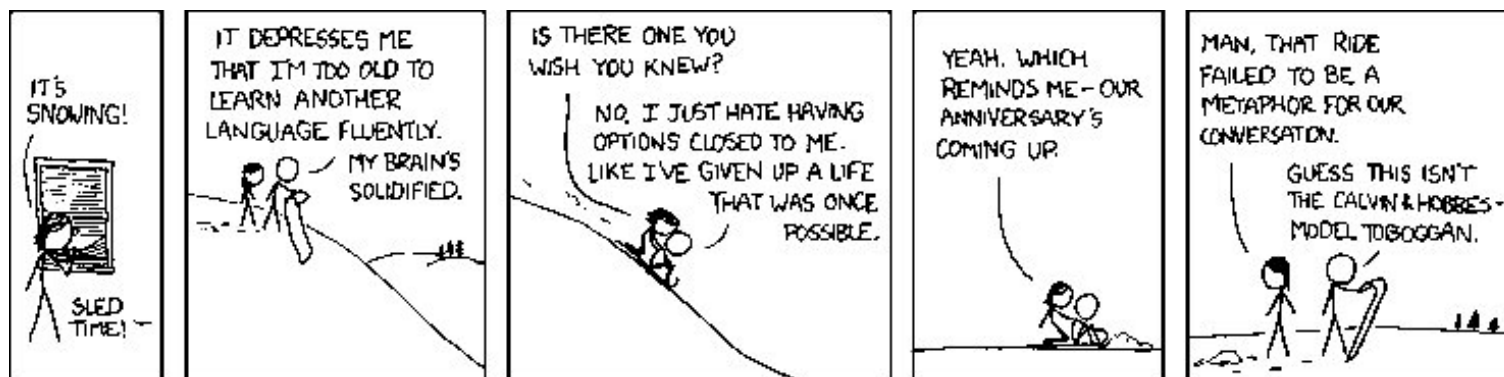
npixels.append(1)

spixels=""
turn=0
index=0
while index<len(pixels)-1:
    if turn%2==1:
        spixels+=npixels[index]*"0"
    elif turn%2==0:
        spixels+=npixels[index]*"1"
    turn+=1
    index+=1

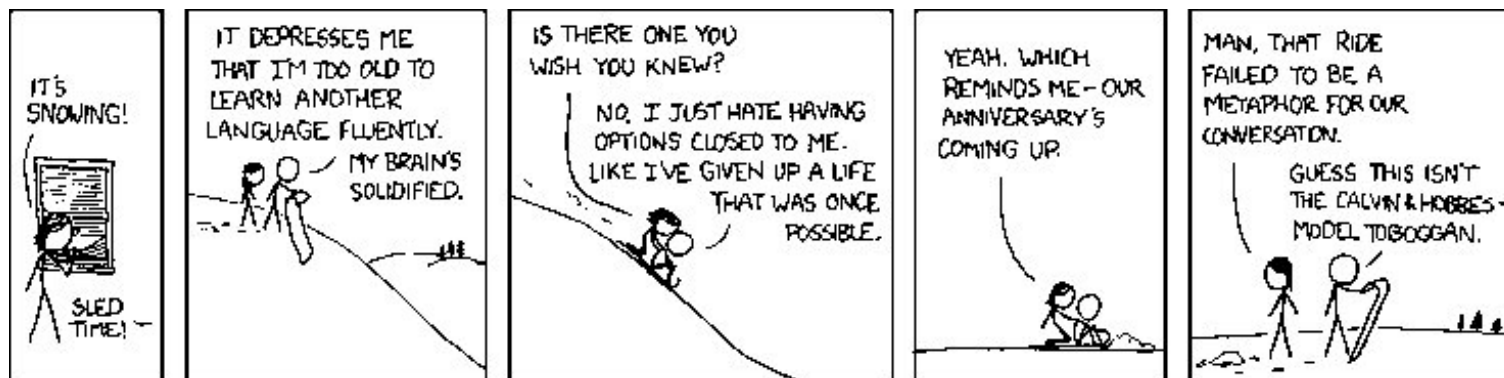
spixels+="0"

m = np.array(list(spixels))
img = np.uint8(np.reshape(m[:w * h], (w, h)) == "1") * 255
return img
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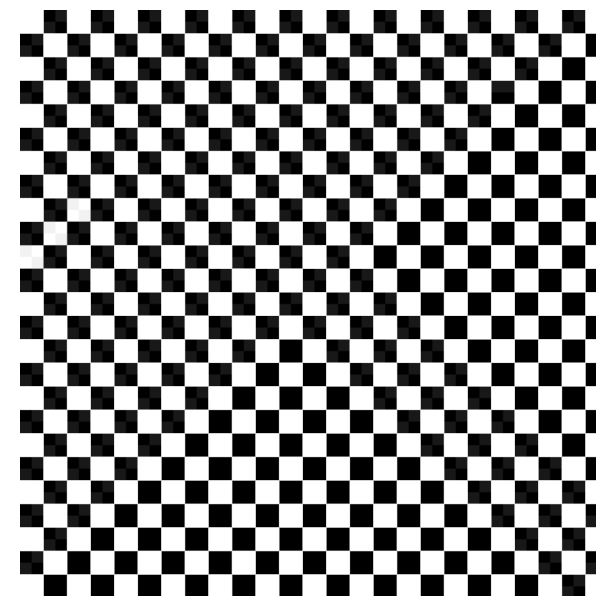
# Case 1: #529



Black\_and\_White.png - 11.2 KB

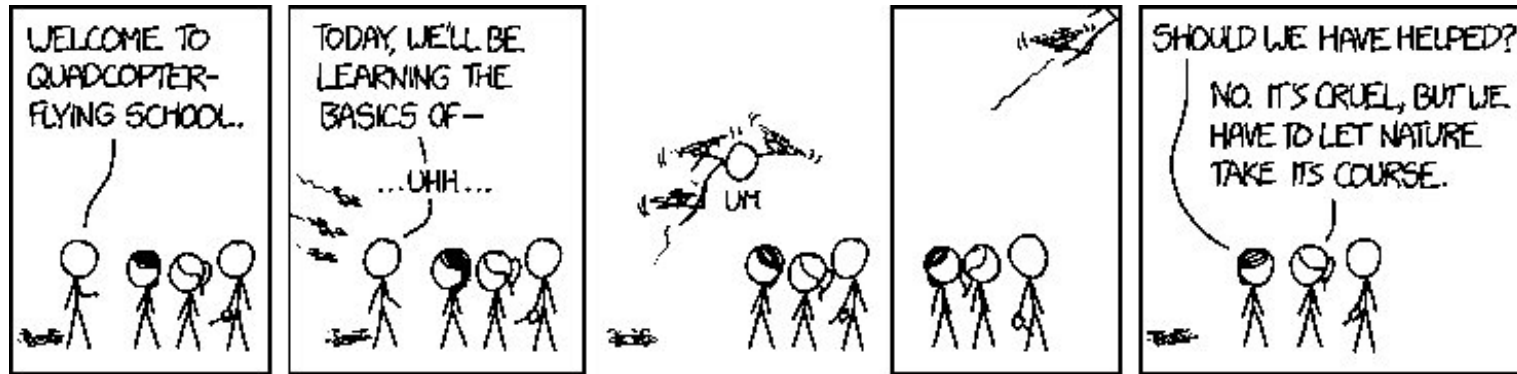


Uncompressed.png - 11.1 KB

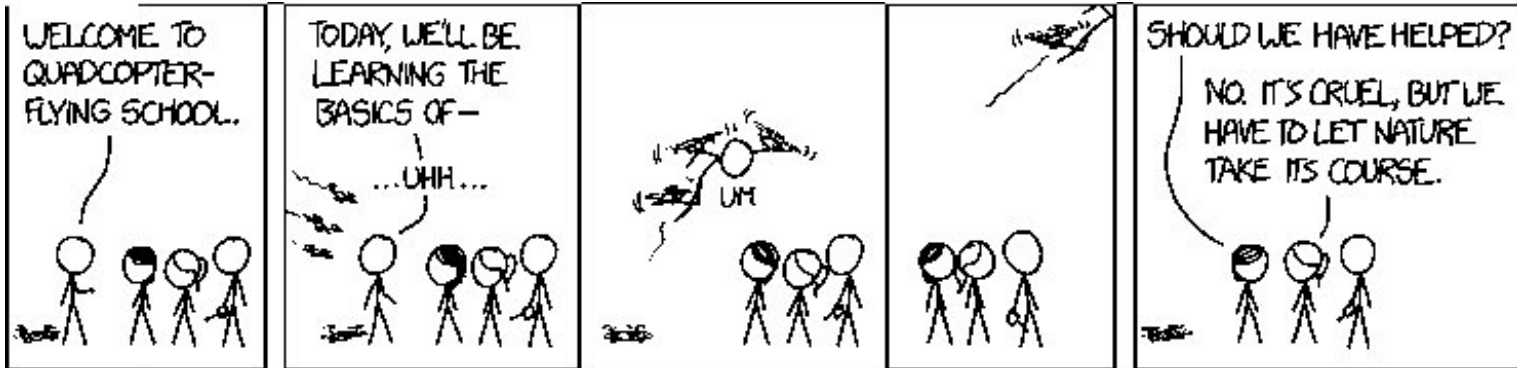


Compressed.tzg  
13.9 KB  
0.82 bits/pixel

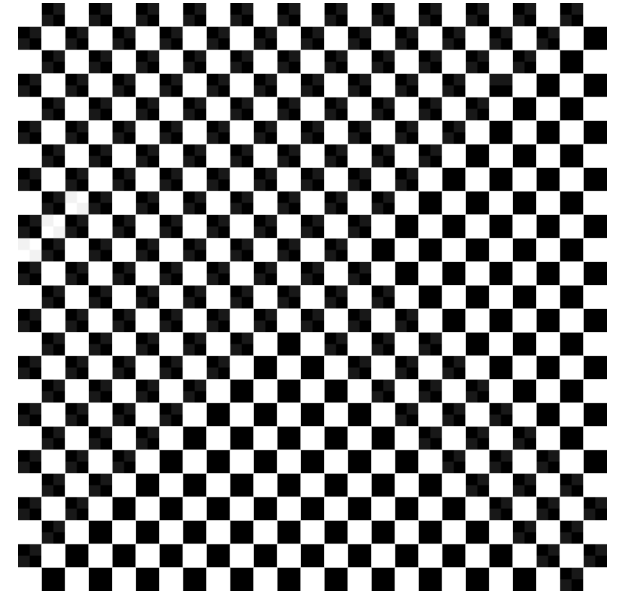
## Case 2: #1630



Black\_and\_White.png - 10.6 KB

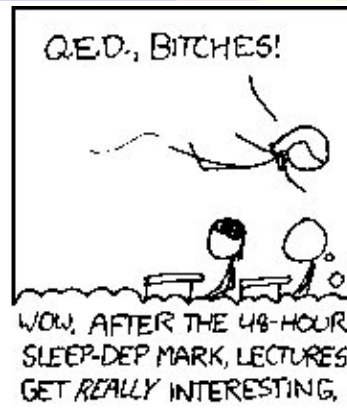
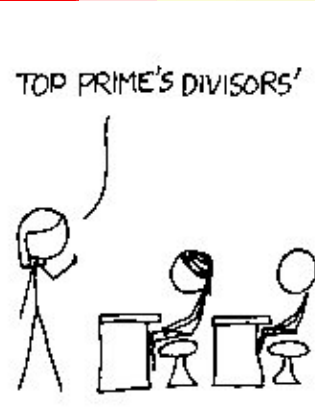
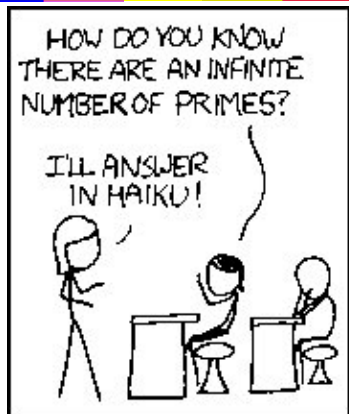


Uncompressed.png - 10.6 KB

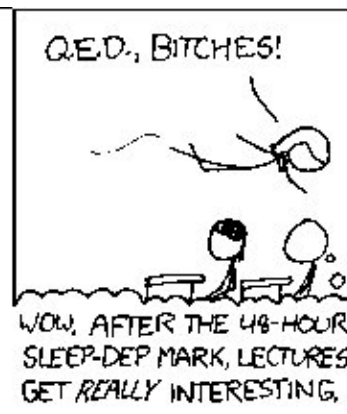
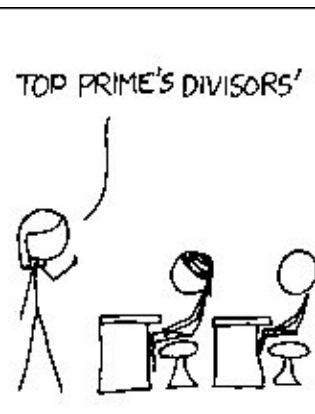
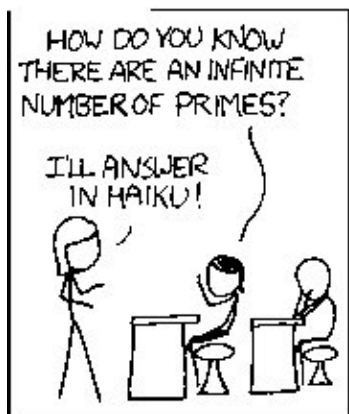


Compressed.tzg  
11.7 KB  
0.7 bits/pixel

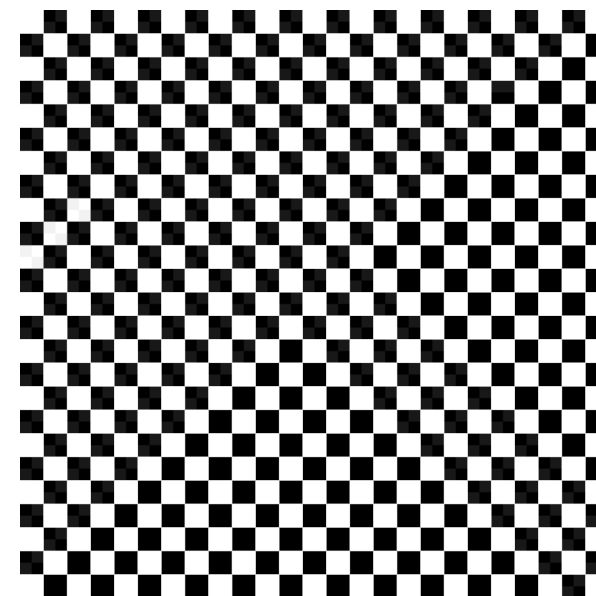
## Case 3: #622



Black\_and\_White.png - 11.6 KB



Uncompressed.png - 11.5 KB



Compressed.tzg  
12.6 KB  
0.63 bits/pixel