

The aim here is to do the coding in such a way as to keep the entropy of the n sequences as low as possible, subject to this requirement of reproducibility with

distortion d^* or less. Here the entropy to which we are referring is the entropy to which we are referring is the entropy of the original source.

Alternatively, we might think of the source as producing one letter per second and we are then interested in the n entropy per second.

We shall show that for any d^* and any $\epsilon > 0$, coders and reproducers can be found that are such that $H(u) \leq R(d^*) + \epsilon$. As $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ the block length involved in the code in general increases. This result, of course, is closely related to our interpretation of $R(d^*)$ as the equivalent rate of the source for distortion d^* . It will follow readily from the following theorem.

Theorem 2. Given an ergodic source, a distortion

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given $d^* \geq d_{min}$ and

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1) $\frac{1}{n} \log M \leq R(d^*)$

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The number of magic squares of order 5 is $4 * 68826306$.

This count assumes that rotations and reflections are not counted separately. This is the counting method which finds 1 magic square of order 3, and 880 of order 4. The order 4 and 5 squares have additional group operations possible, beyond rotations and reflections. When these are taken into account, the numbers drop to 220 and 68826306.

If we count all configurations which are magic, with no reductions for isomorphisms, then the figures are multiplied by 8 for all squares bigger than 1^2 . Even smaller numbers are obtained if the isomorphism "Subtract each cell from N^2+1 " is applied, but it's not exactly a division by 2 since some squares will be isomorphic to reflections, etc. I don't know how these counts come out.

I wrote a program to count them in 1973, and Mike Beeler did a short paper describing the program. Martin Gardner did a column a couple of years later which mentioned the count. (I think the column was mostly about magic cubes.)

I have some old mag tapes with sufficient information to reconstruct the squares, but it's probably easier to write a new program.

A few years ago, I received a manuscript from a Japanese person, confirming my count. Unfortunately, my personal files are in a sorry state, and I can't easily retrieve it.

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this last sequence could be extended the formula as something to do with
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I dug up the Japanese manuscript that I referred to in my previous note. The author is Kisaburo Okajima, and his letter to me is postmarked September 1988. I think he did his count somewhat earlier, perhaps a year or two. He finds 275305224, which is $4 * 68826306$, as I claimed in my last note. He only divides out by rotations and reflections, and ignores the other factor of 4 from fancier derangements of the square.

His counting method is very different from mine, so I think that our results support each other.

I don't read Japanese, but his history section mentions a 1976 date with my number. This might be the Martin Gardner article.

On another topic, do you have semigroups-of-order-N? I counted the order 7s a while back, and got a number that differed slightly from the results of a German group. We both confirmed the order 6 number from the 1960s article by Plemmons.

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