WCPN puzzle archive - September 2017

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SUDOKU - clone

Standard sudoku rules apply. In each shaded region of the same shape, the digits placed in corresponding cells of the regions must be the same. Rotating or mirroring of the shapes is not allowed.



YAJILIN

Paint some cells black so that every arrow points to exactly the corresponding number of black squares. Black squares cannot touch each other from the sides but they may touch diagonally, and all remaining white cells not occupied by an arrow or not blackened should be traversed by a single closed loop that connects the centers of adjacent squares and doesn't cross itself. Draw the loop and blacken all the necessary squares.

| 3▼ | 0 • | | | | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|----|----|---|------------|------------|----|
| | | | 2► | | | | | | |
| | | 2▼ | | | | | | ◄1 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 3► | | | | | |
| | | | | | 1• | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2► | | | | | | ⊲ 2 | | |
| | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | ⊲ 2 | 2▲ |





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| | | 3 | | | | | 5 | 8 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 2 | | 4 | | | | | |
| 1 | | | | 5 | | | | |
| | 8 | | 6 | | | | | |
| | | 7 | | | | 3 | | |
| | | | | | 2 | | 4 | |
| | | | | 1 | | | | 5 |
| | | | | | 8 | | 6 | |
| 4 | 6 | | | | | 7 | | |

SUDOKU - disjoint groups

Place the digits 1-9 in each column, each row and in all nine 3x3 blocks. No digit can appear in the same position in different 3x3 blocks.

CAVE

Draw a closed loop over the grid lines. The loop goes around all numbers. The numbers in the grid indicate how many cells inside the loop can be seen horizontally and vertically from that cell, including the cell itself.

| 9 | | | | | | | |
|---|----|----|---|---|---|---|----|
| | 2 | 2 | | | 7 | 7 | |
| | | | | | | | 3 |
| | 9 | 9 | | | 6 | 6 | |
| | | | | 7 | | | |
| | | | 5 | | | | |
| | 10 | 10 | | | 4 | 4 | |
| 6 | | | | | | | |
| | 11 | 11 | | | 5 | 5 | |
| | | | | | | | 12 |



EASY AS ABCDE

07092017 - Hns - 4* - 1756

Fill in the grid with letters ABCDE so that each row and column contains each letter exactly once. Some cells remain empty. Letters outside the grid indicate the letter and the relative position of that letter in that row or column from that direction.





SUDOKU WITH GAPS

08092017 - RS - 5* - 1757

This sudoku is extra large and contains gaps, so that every row and column has 9 cells where the digits 1 to 9 have to be filled in, as well as in every 3x3-block; the gaps must be ignored while solving.





STAR BATTLE

Place two stars with the size of one cell in each row, column and outlined region. The stars do not touch each other, not even diagonally.





SUDOKU - cloned strands

Standard sudoku rules apply. Each strand (the grey lines) must have exactly the same sequence of digits. Digits may repeat on strands.







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KAKURO (aka Swedish Arithmetic Riddle)

For each number the sum is equal to the number in the grey box. A number above a diagonal relates to the digits you need to fill in to the right. A number below a diagonal relates to the digits you need to fill in vertically below it. Enter digits 1–9 so that no digit repeats in any of the numbers.



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SUDOKU - greater than consecutive

Standard sudoku rules apply. In **all** cases where the difference between two neighbouring digits is 1, there is a greater or less sign between those digits. Digits must be placed in accordance with the signs.





Easy as WCPN12345

Every row, column and 3x3-block contains the letters W, C, P and N and digits 1-5. Clues outside the grid indicate the first letter or digit seen from that position.





FENCES aka slitherlink

Draw a single closed loop into the grid by connecting the dots. The loop cannot touch itself, not even diagonally. The numbers in the cells indicate how many parts of the loop are directly beside, under or above the number.

18092017 - RS - 4* - 1763





190917 - WZ - 3* - 1764

SUDOKU - five pair

Place the digits 1-9 in each column, each row and in all nine 3x3 regions. A grey area contains five different digits. Each digit appears exactly twice in that area.

| 7 | 2 | | | 8 | | | 6 | 3 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 6 | | | | 8 | | |
| 8 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| | 6 | | | | | | 2 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | 8 | 5 | | 2 | 4 | | |
| 5 | | | | 9 | | | | 2 |
| 6 | 8 | | | | | | 7 | 9 |
| | 3 | 9 | | | | 6 | 5 | |

CITY CONSTRUCTION - spiral

Place all buildings in the grid. Buildings may be rotated. They may not touch each other, not even diagonally. Draw a closed loop that passes through all the remaining white cells. The loop does not cross or overlap itself. The given grid is a spiral. Building segments are numbered from 1 to 26, starting from the entrance of the spiral (top left) and moving towards the center. The numbers outside the grid represent the sum of the building segments in the corresponding row or column. One part of the loop is given.

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21092017 - WZ - 3* - 1766

SUDOKU - extra regions surplus

Place the digits 1-9 in each column, each row and in all nine 3x3 regions. Both grey areas of 10 connected cells contain all digits 1-9 at least once.

| 6 | 8 | | | | 2 | | 5 | 7 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| | | | | 1 | | 6 | | |
| | | | | | 3 | | | 5 |
| | | | 2 | 6 | 8 | | | |
| 4 | | | 5 | | | | | |
| | | 7 | | 9 | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | | | 4 |
| 5 | 4 | | 8 | | | | 7 | 3 |

NURIKABE

Shade some empty cells black so that the grid is divided into white areas, each containing exactly one number and with an area in cells equal to the value of that number. Two white areas may only touch diagonally. All black cells must be connected with each other, but no 2x2 square of cells can be entirely shaded black.

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| | | | | | | | | | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 9 | | 5 | | 1 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | 4 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 2 | | | 2 | | | | |
| | | | | 2 | | | 2 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 3 | | 3 | | 9 | |
| 2 | | | | | | | | | |



LITS

Shade exactly four cells in each of the outlined regions so that they are orthogonally interconnected within the region and form one of the given shapes. Identical pieces may not touch each other orthogonally. Tetrominoes may be rotated and reflected, however they are still considered as the same type. All the shaded cells must be interconnected. Shaded cells cannot form a 2x2 square.



SUDOKU - renban

Place the numbers 1 to 9 on each row, in all columns and in the nine 3x3 regions. Numbers in coloured regions are consecutive.

| | | | 7 | 8 | | |
|---|---|---|-------|---|---|---|
| | 2 | | | | 6 | |
| | | | 1 | | | 3 |
| | | | | | | |
| 1 | | 6 | 5 | 4 | | 9 |
| | | | | | | |
| 3 | | | 9 | | | |
| | 8 | | | | 4 | |
| | | 4 | 3 | | | |

26092017 - WZ - 3* - 1769



EASY AS ABCDE - scattered

Fill in the grid with letters ABCDE so that each row, column, bold outlined region and the grey cells contains each letter exactly once. Some cells remain empty. Letters outside the grid indicate the letter and the relative position of that letter in that row or column from that direction.



BOXES

28092017 - RS - 4* - 1771

We have five separate boxes. Each box contains five different letters. Drawing one letter from each box can form these words. What letters are in the same box?

| ADOPT ALIVE | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| BEACH BROKE | | | | | |
| CHYME | | | | | |
| FLIRT | | | | | |
| MAQUI MAZES | | | | | |
| PILAW | | | | | |
| PIXEL PUJAS | | | | | |



SUDOKU - killer

29092017 - WZ - 5* - 1772

Fill in the whole grid with numbers from 1 to 9 so that no digit is repeated within a row, a column or an outlined 3x3 square.

There are some small coloured cages marked in the grid. For all of them, the following rules apply: number in the top left corner indicates the sum of all the numbers within the cage, whereas all of these numbers must be distinct. White is a colour as well.

| 7 | 35 | 23 | | | 35 | | 6 |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | 20 | | 16 | | | |
| | 15 | | 45 | | | | 14 |
| 9 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | 18 | |
| 8 | 10 | | | 10 | | 34 | |
| 35 | 9 | | | 10 | | | 17 |
| | 8 | | 21 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

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| 9 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 7 |
| 3 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 8 |
| 2 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 5 |
| 1 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 9 |
| 6 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| 8 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 3 |
| 5 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 1 |
| 7 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 4 | 6 |
| | | | | | | | | |

04092017 - RS - 3* - 1753



05092017 - RS - 3* - 1754

| 7 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 9 | 2 | 5 | 8 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 1 |
| 1 | 9 | 8 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 4 |
| 9 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 7 |
| 2 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 6 |
| 3 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 9 |
| 8 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 5 |
| 5 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 2 |
| 4 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 3 |

06092017 - WZ - 4* - 1755

| 9 | | | | | | | |
|---|----|----|---|---|---|---|----|
| | 2 | 2 | | | 7 | 7 | |
| | | | | | | | 3 |
| | 9 | 9 | | | 6 | 6 | |
| | | | | 7 | | | |
| | | | 5 | | | | |
| | 10 | 10 | | | 4 | 4 | |
| 6 | | | | | | | |
| | 11 | 11 | | | 5 | 5 | |
| | | | | | | | 12 |

| | D2 | Β1 | C3 | A1 | E1 | D2 | C2 | _ |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| C1 | С | | D | А | Е | В | | В1 |
| E2 | | В | Е | | С | D | А | C3 |
| A2 | D | А | | В | | Е | С | E2 |
| E2 | В | Е | С | | | А | D | A2 |
| A1 | А | | В | Е | D | С | | C1 |
| C3 | Е | D | | С | А | | В | B1 |
| A2 | | С | А | D | В | | Е | В2 |
| | E1 | D2 | B2 | D1 | A2 | C1 | D3 | |

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| | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | | | | | _ | _ | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 1 | | | | 5 | 4 | 9 | | | |
| 4 | 7 | 2 | 9 | 5 | 3 | | | | 6 | 8 | 1 | | | |
| 5 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 6 | 4 | | | | 7 | 3 | 2 | | | |
| 2 | 1 | 4 | | | | 3 | 9 | 7 | | | | 8 | 5 | 6 |
| 9 | 8 | 5 | | | | 4 | 6 | 2 | | | | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| 3 | 6 | 7 | | | | 5 | 8 | 1 | | | | 9 | 4 | 2 |
| | | | 1 | 9 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 6 | | | |
| | | | 6 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 7 | | | |
| | | | 3 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 8 | 1 | 5 | | | |
| 6 | 5 | 3 | | | | 9 | 2 | 8 | | | | 4 | 7 | 1 |
| 7 | 2 | 9 | | | | 1 | 5 | 4 | | | | 6 | 8 | 3 |
| 1 | 4 | 8 | | | | 7 | 3 | 6 | | | | 2 | 9 | 5 |
| | | | 4 | 1 | 6 | | | | 2 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 9 |
| | | | 5 | 3 | 9 | | | | 1 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 8 |
| | | | 2 | 8 | 7 | | | | 9 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 4 |

11092017 - RS - 3* - 1758



12092017 - RS - 4* - 1759

| 4 | 2 | 9- | 8 | -5 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 6 |
|---|----|----|---|----|----|----|----|---|
| 6 | -3 | 5 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 8 |
| 8 | Ŧ | 7 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 4 |
| 9 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3- | -6 | 8 | |
| 2 | 7 | 8 | 4 | 9 | 6 | 3 | Y | 5 |
| 1 | 6 | Z | 7 | 8 | -5 | 2 | 4 | 9 |
| 7 | 9 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 1 |
| 3 | 8 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 7 | 2 |
| 5 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 8 | -6 | 3 |

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14092017 - RS - 3* - 1761

| 6 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 4 | 9 | 3 |
|---|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| 9 | 5 | 3 · | < 4 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 6 |
| 2 | 4 | 8 - | < 9 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 7 |
| 5 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 2 - | < 3 | 7 | 1 | 9 |
| 3 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 5 |
| 7 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 3 < | 4 |
| 4 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 9 | 6 | 1 |
| 1 | 9 | 2 | 5 < | 6 - | < 7 | 3 · | 4 | 8 |
| 8 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 2 |

15092017 - WZ - 6* - 1762



18092017 - RS - 4* - 1763



190917 - WZ - 3* - 1764

1 6 5 1





21092017 - WZ - 3* - 1766

| 6 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 5 | 7 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| 9 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 8 |
| 1 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 5 |
| 7 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 9 |
| 4 | 9 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 |
| 8 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 2 |
| 3 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 4 |
| 5 | 4 | 9 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 3 |

22092017 - RS - 5* - 1767



25092017 - RS - 3* - 1768



26092017 - WZ - 3* - 1769

| 6 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 1 |
| 7 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 9 | 6 | 3 | 2 |
| 1 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 9 |
| 8 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 5 |
| 3 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 8 |
| 9 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 6 |
| 2 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 7 |



27092017 - RS - 3* - 1770



28092017 - RS - 4* - 1771

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Р | D | А | Т | 0 |
| V | Ι | R | Е | L |
| В | С | Y | Q | Н |
| М | к | G | W | U |
| F | S | Х | J | Z |

29092017 - WZ - 5* - 1772

| 4 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 8 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 2 |
| 7 | 9 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| 2 | 4 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 9 |
| 6 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 9 | З | 5 | 4 | 8 |
| 3 | 5 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 6 |
| 5 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 3 |
| 8 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 9 | 7 |
| 9 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 5 |

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