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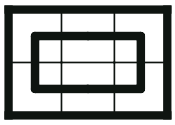


One loop through every open square. Every board has exactly one answer.

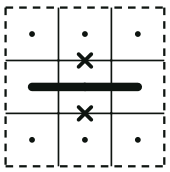
MIXED | 16 PUZZLES | 6 × 6 TO 9 × 9 | ANSWERS AT THE BACK

HOW TO PLAY

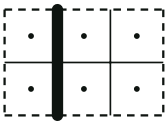
Four rules. That's the whole game.



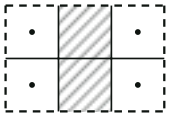
One loop through every open square.



Two lines per square. No crossing, no branching.



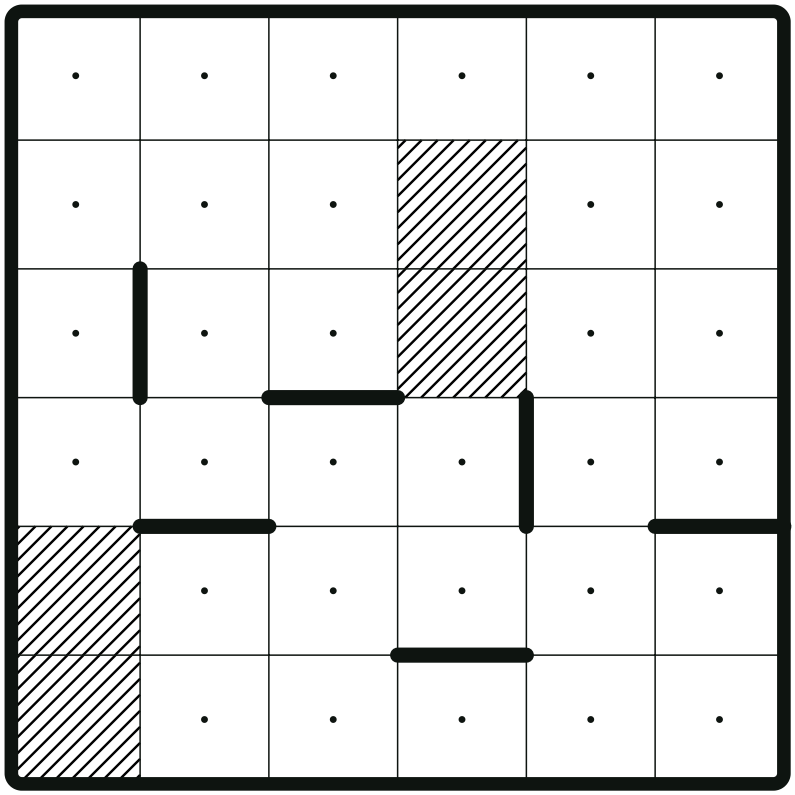
Heavy bars are walls. The loop never crosses them.



Hatched squares are blocked. Go round.

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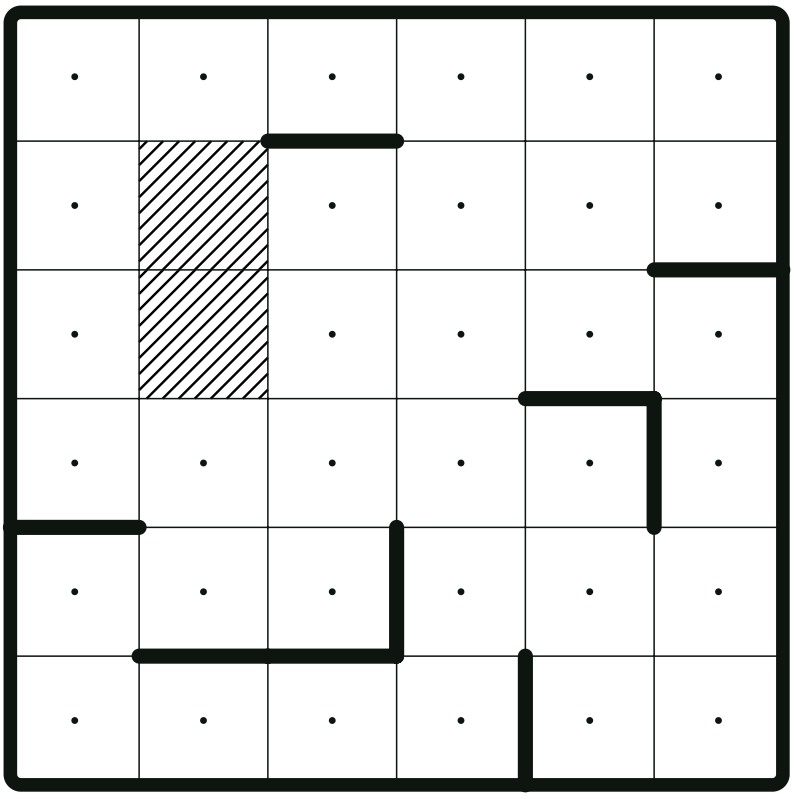


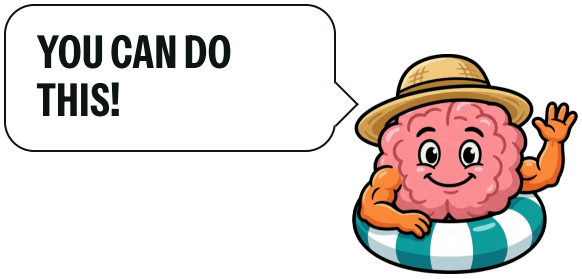
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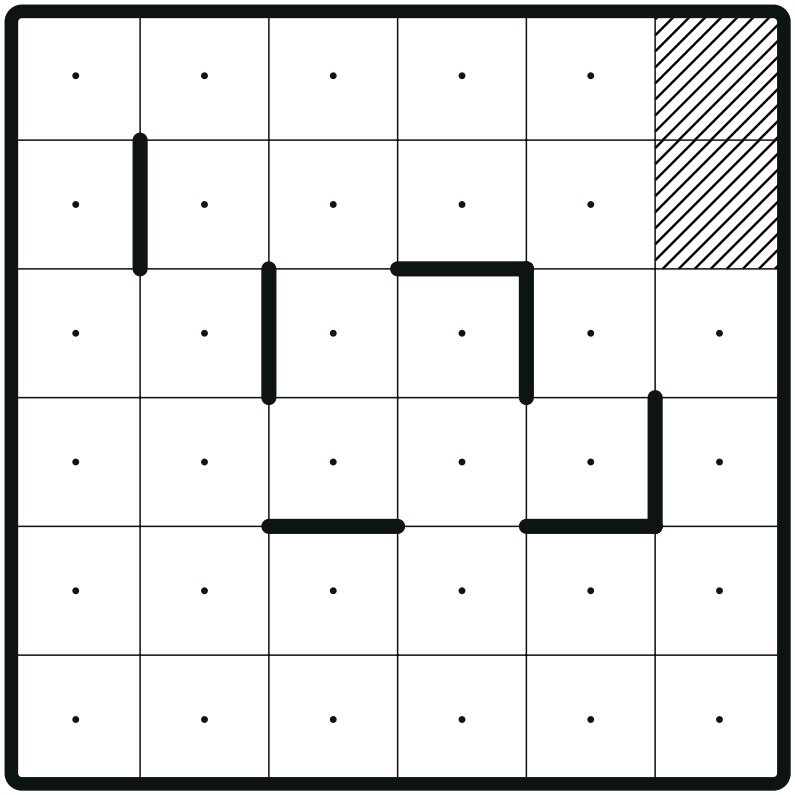
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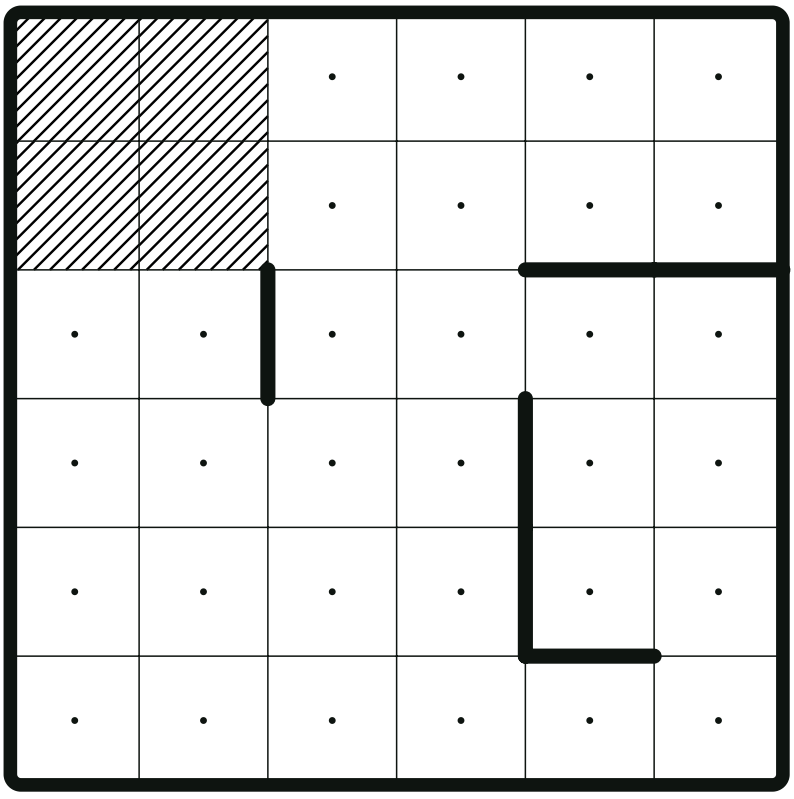


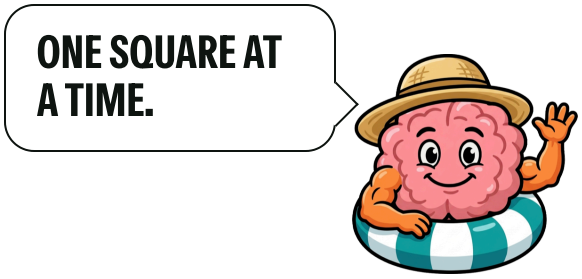
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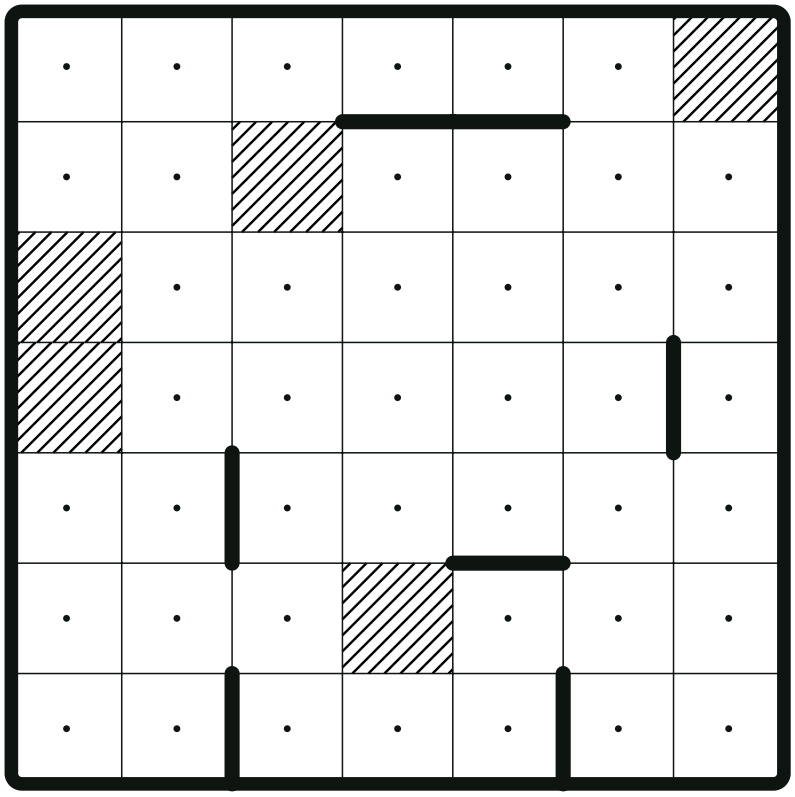
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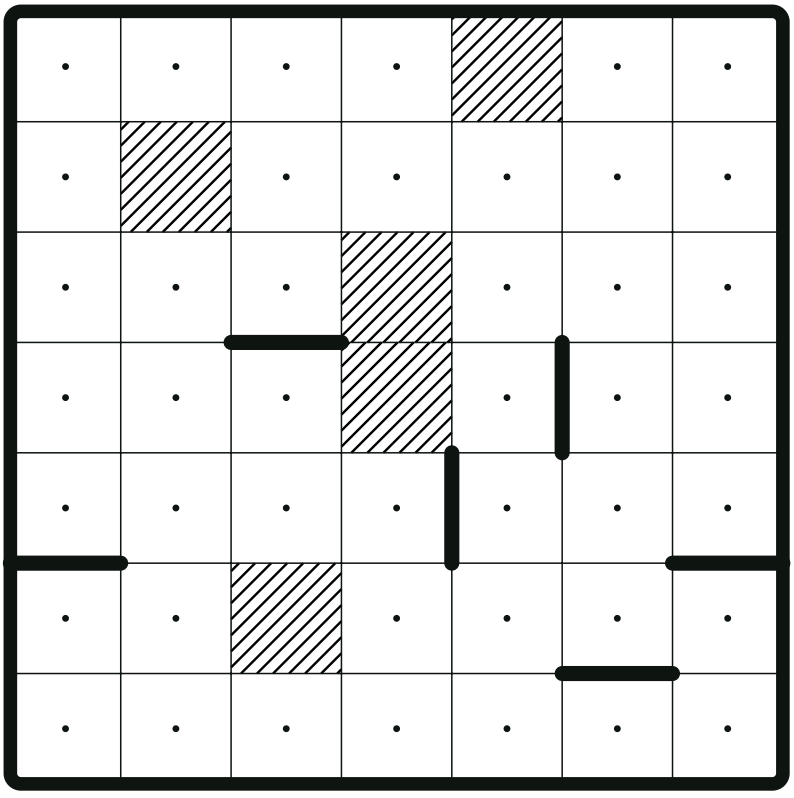


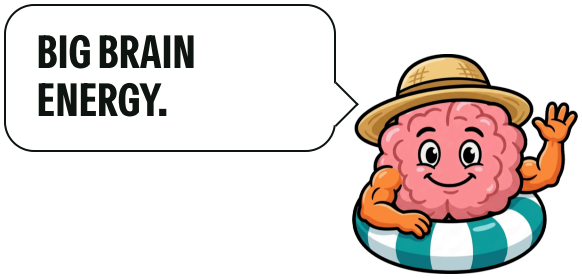
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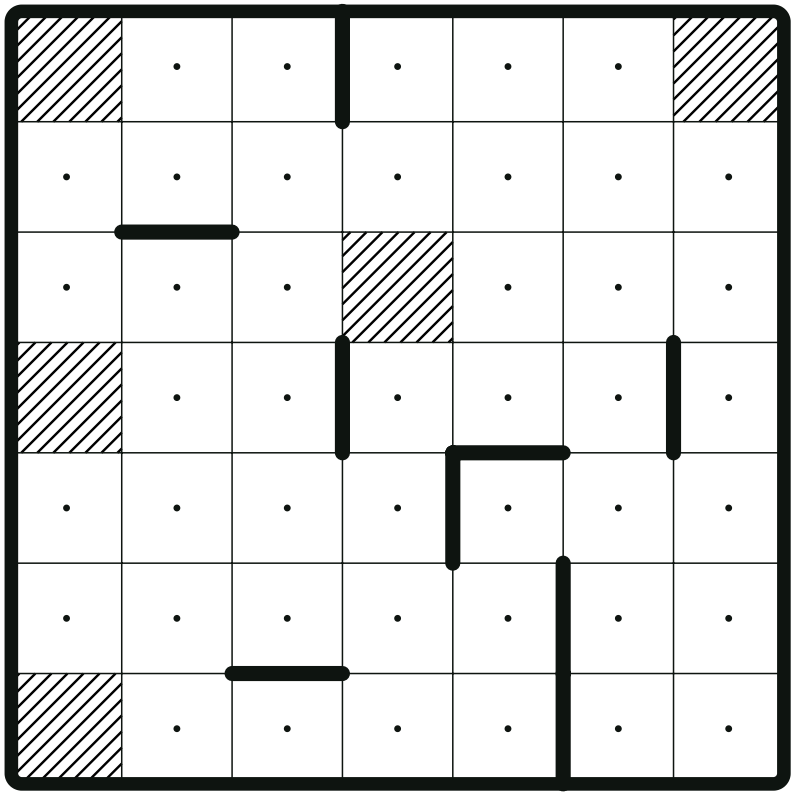
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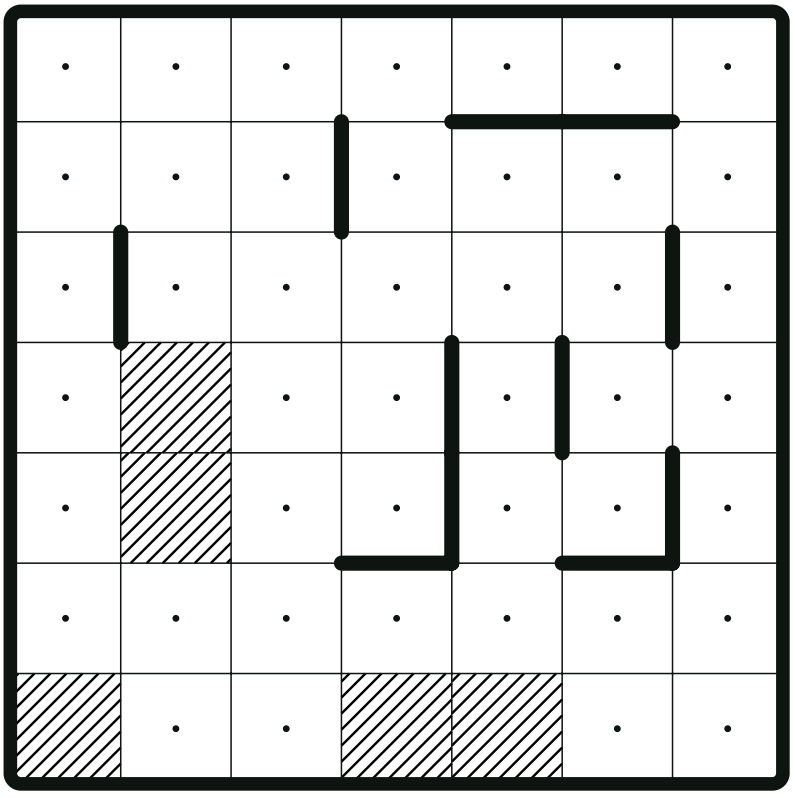


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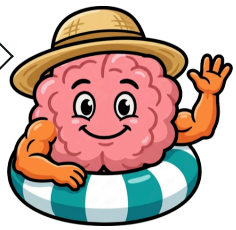
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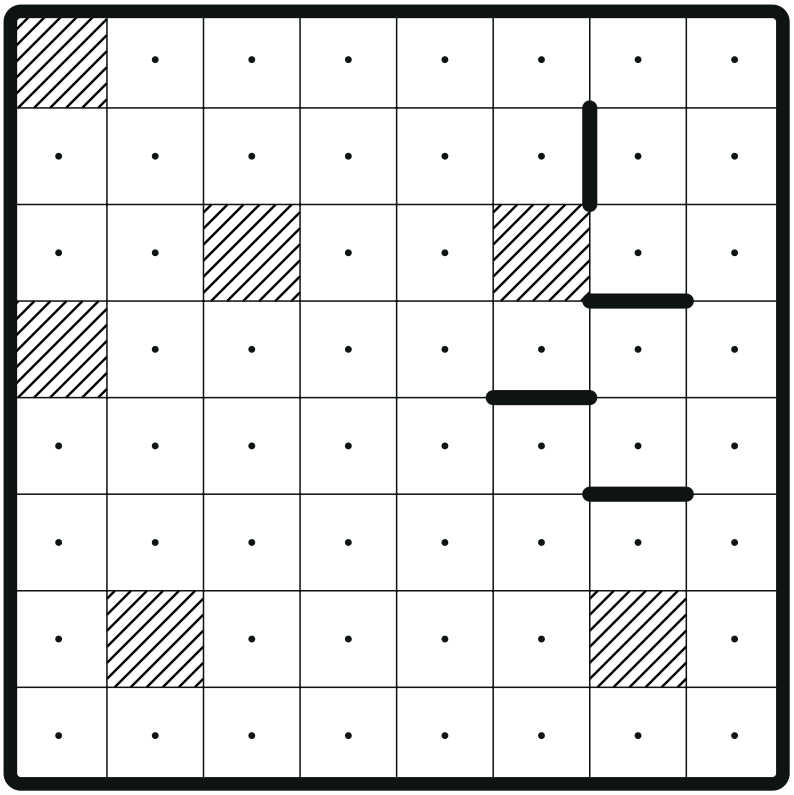
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STUCK? TAKE A BREAK. THE BOARD WILL WAIT.



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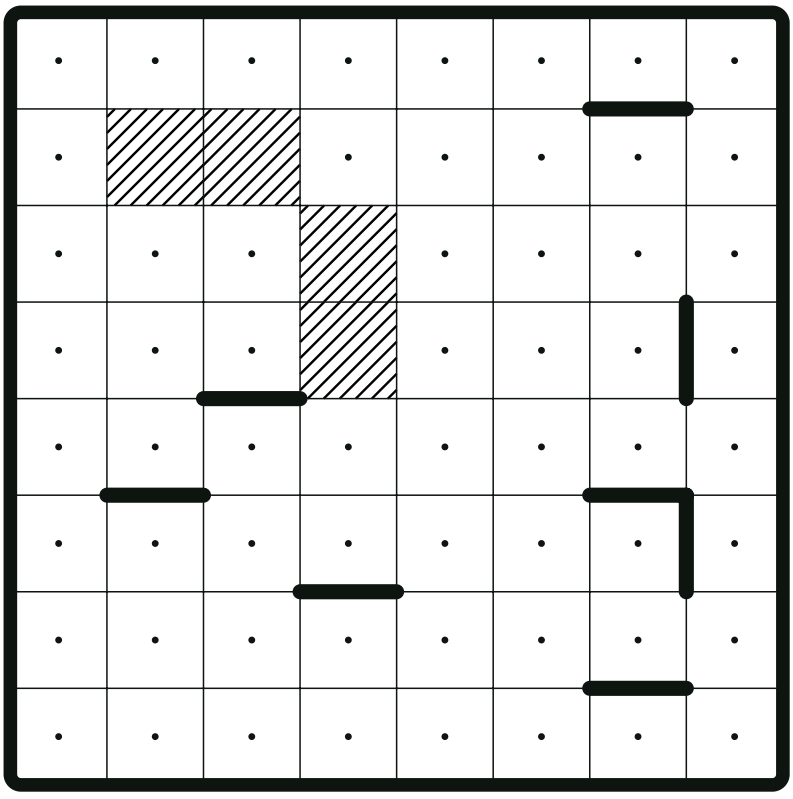


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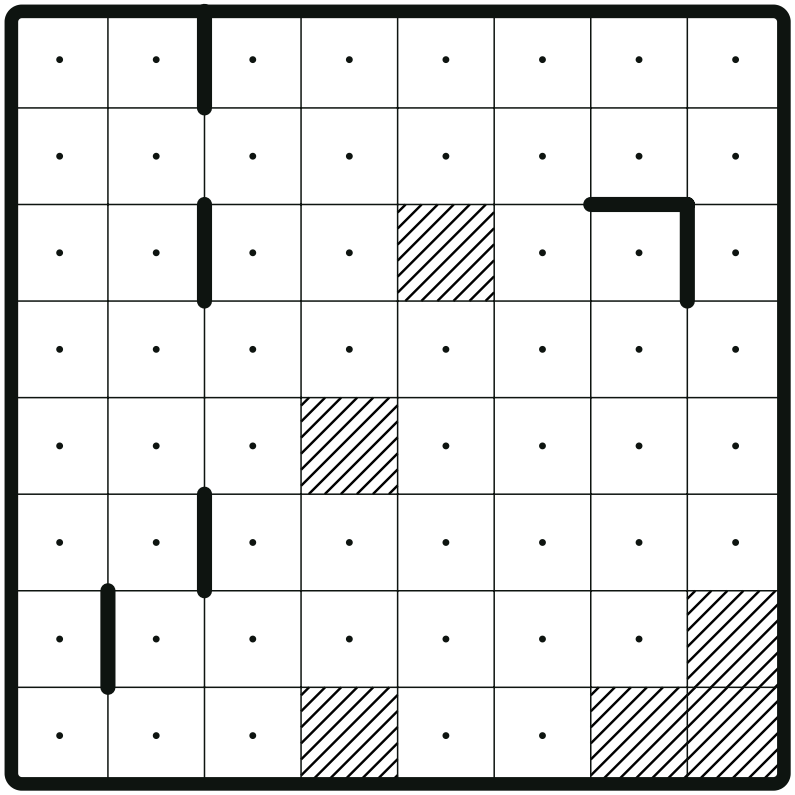
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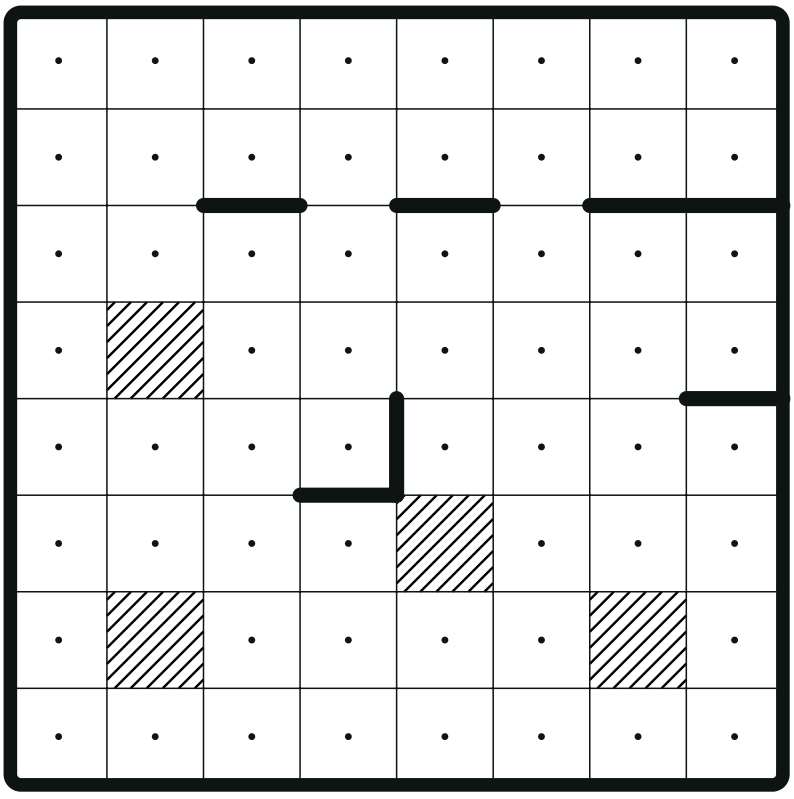


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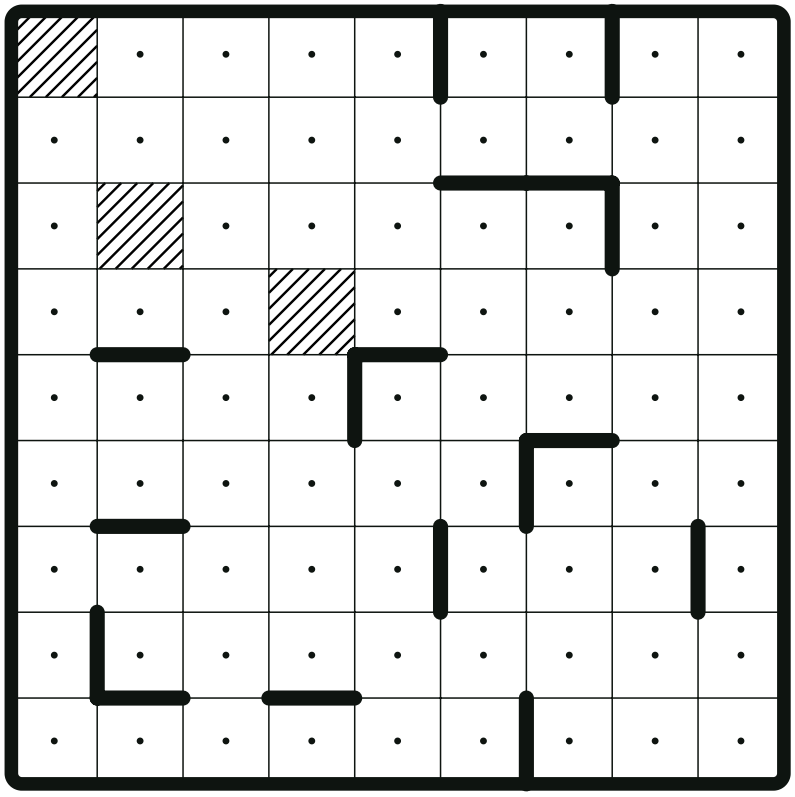
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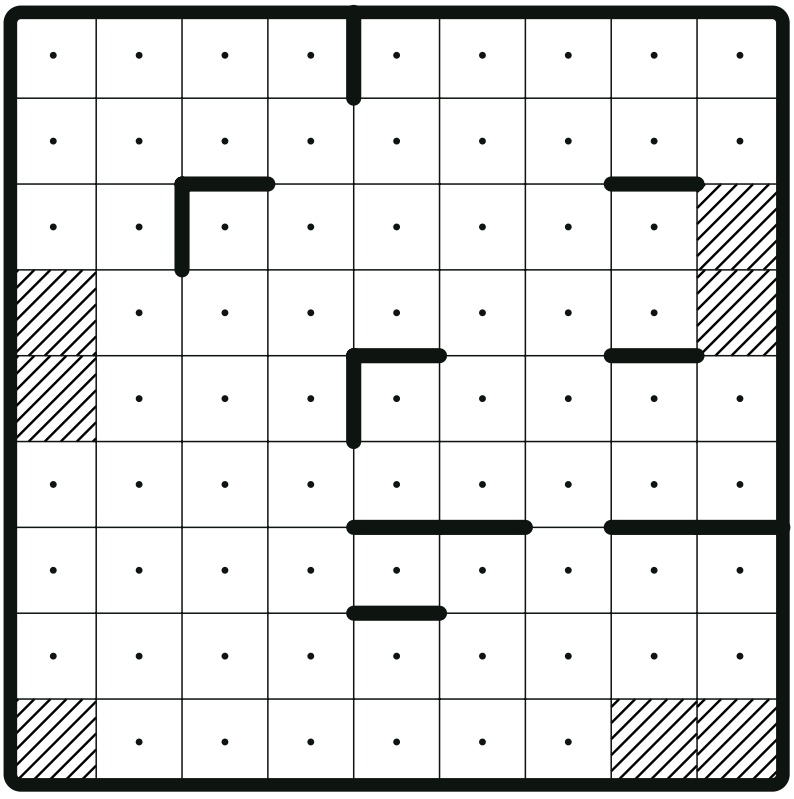


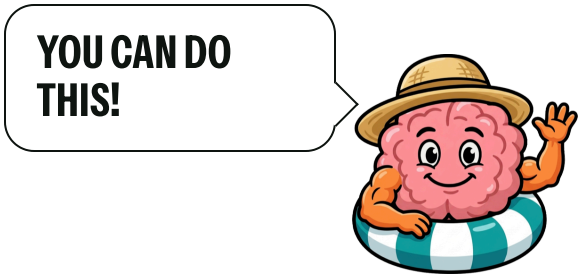
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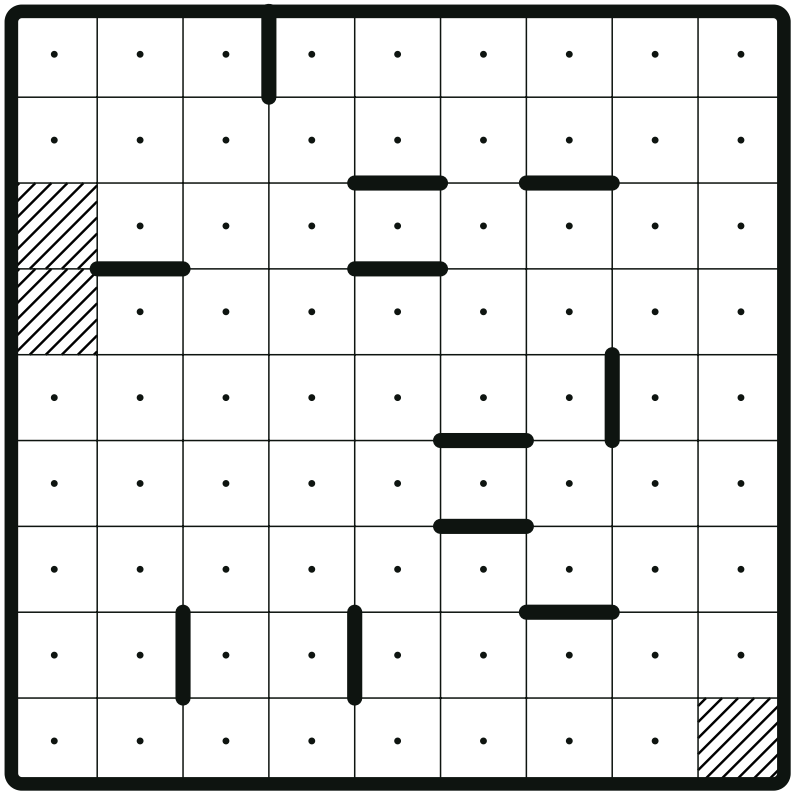
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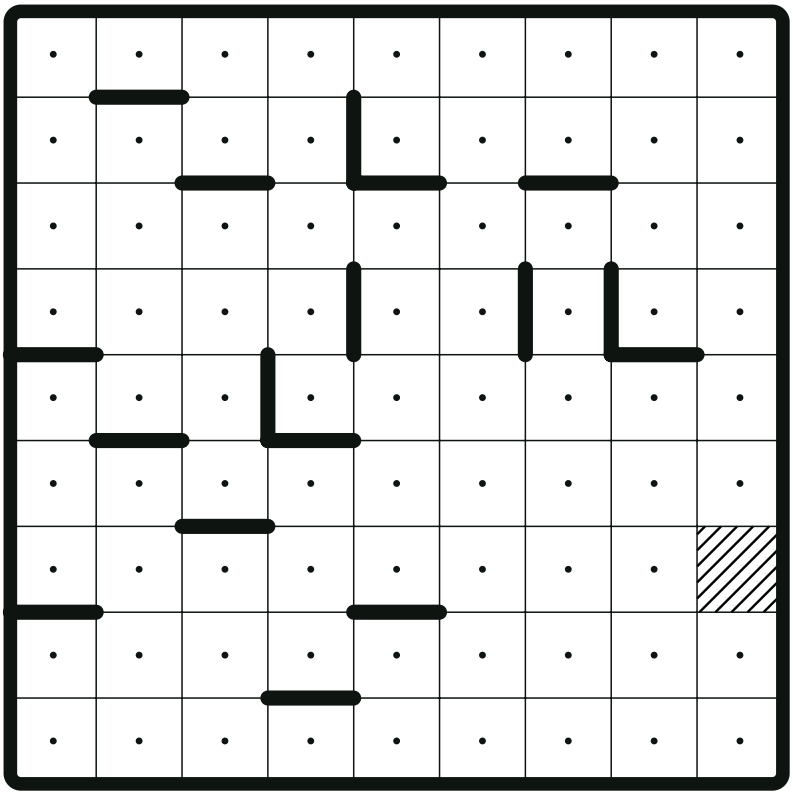


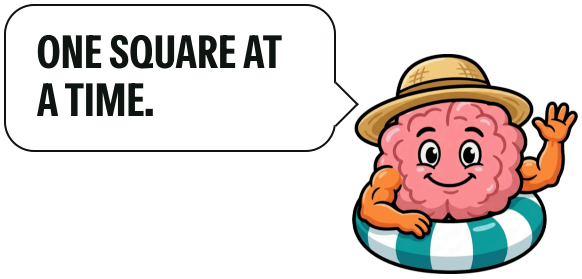
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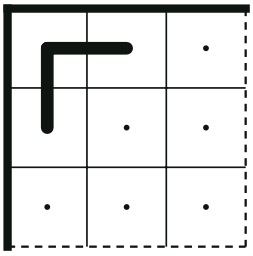
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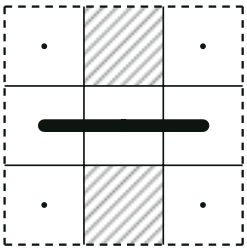
STRATEGIES

— part of the loop ✕ never part of the loop



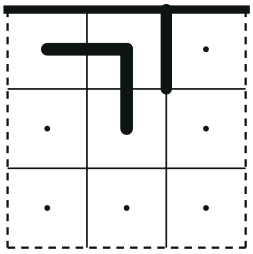
CORNERS TURN

A corner square has only two ways out, so the loop uses both. Draw them straight away.



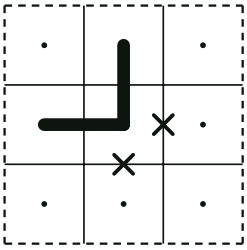
SQUEEZED SQUARES

Blocked above and below? The loop must pass straight through, left to right.



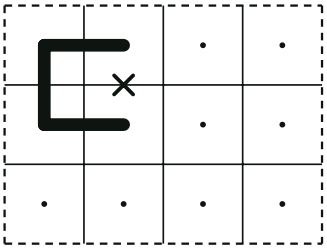
WALLS ARE EDGES

A wall counts like the board edge. Top edge plus a wall leaves one square two exits: use both.



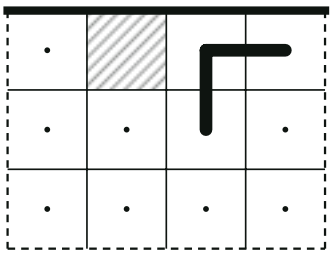
FULL SQUARE

Two lines already? That square is done. Cross out its other two sides.



NO SMALL LOOPS

Never close a loop early. Joining these two ends would skip the rest of the board.



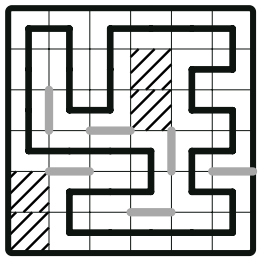
EDGE AND BLOCK

The board edge and a hatched square squeeze a square to two exits, just like a corner. Use both.

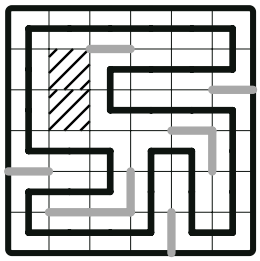
ANSWERS

One answer per board. Check yours here, or play any board in this pack online by its number.

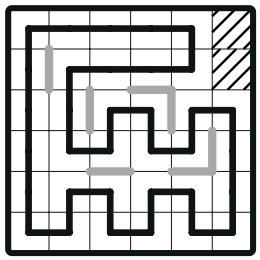
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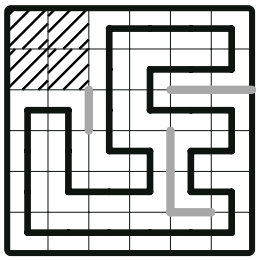
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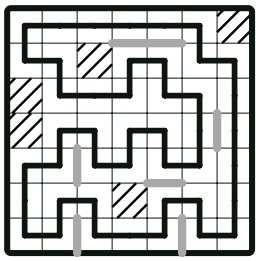
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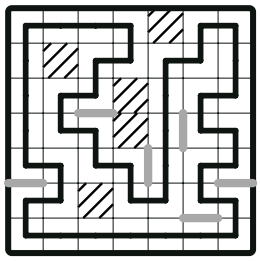
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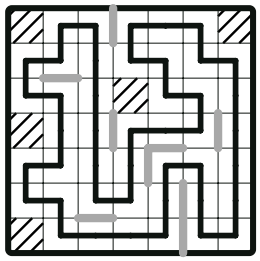
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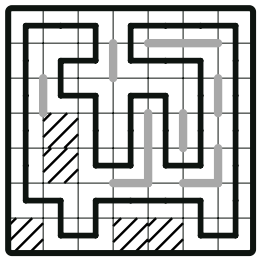
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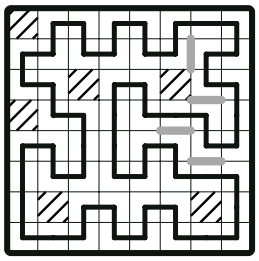
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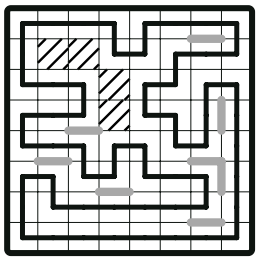
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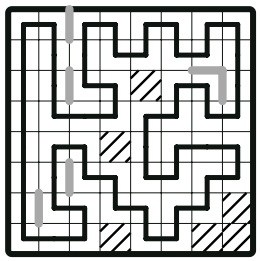
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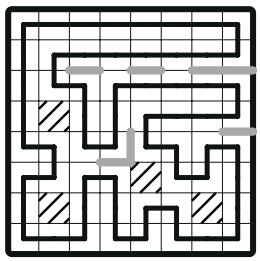
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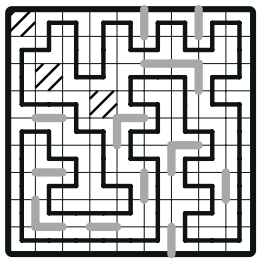
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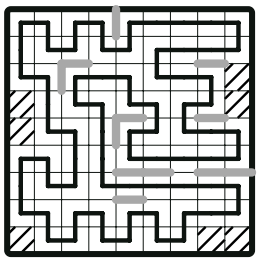
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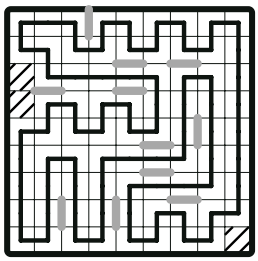
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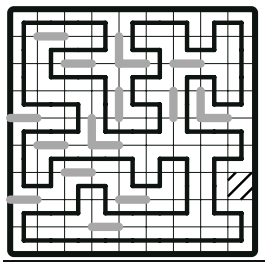
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