# GAS Leak 

# Genuinely Approachable Sudoku from the CtC Discord 

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Hi friends! This month's edition of GAS Leak was helpfully typeset by GAS solver Engy when the GAS team got smacked down by Life Circumstances ${ }^{\text {TM }}$. But you shouldn't notice anything different from usual - except, perhaps, the mysterious shye bonus puzzle at the end of this document... ;)
Clover

## March 1, 2023: XV Killer

Clover
Today's GAS was inspired by a puzzle from a very fun and approachable pack by @Charlie, which can be found here:
https://discord.com/channels/709370620642852885/741008014349172737/1079137007 $\underline{210610779}$ Why not solve them after you're done here and see if you can spot the inspiration?

Normal sudoku rules apply. Digits in a cage do not repeat and must sum to the indicated total. Digits separated by a V sum to 5, and digits separated by an $X$ sum to 10. Not all possible Xes and Vs are necessarily given.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2zuskc2k
CtC: https://tinyurl.com/3cv8nwdd

## March 2, 2023: Another Humanmade Sudoku

Bill Murphy
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If you went, "Oh this is a sequel to his first puzzle for GAS, a Thermo Killer Sudoku", then I love you, you can stay around.

Normal sudoku rules apply. Digits in cages must not repeat and must sum to the small corner total. Digits on a thermometer must strictly increase as they move away from the bulb.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2qhau78x CTC: https://tinyurl.com/mthkaypj

## March 3, 2023: Killing Me Softly

Philip Newman
Unlike my fellow GAS setters, I don't believe in sequels.All of my sudoku constructions are completely original and uninspired.

Today's GAS is a Killer German Whispers Sudoku!
Normal sudoku rules apply.
Killer: Digits in cages cannot repeat and must sum to the total given.
German Whispers: Digits in cells directly connected by a green line must differ by at least 5.


Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2jaf9utz
Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/46dx5asu

## March 4, 2023: Consecutive Chains

Clover
A unicursal labyrinth is one that can be traced in a single sweeping motion, with no branches or dead-ends. These labyrinths aren't meant to puzzle you; rather, they're created for aesthetic purposes, or to be walked during meditation. Similarly, the little labyrinths in this consecutive chains sudoku have no dead-ends or false starts: they go directly from 1 to 9 , although they might meander a bit on their way! Oh, and you'll need to draw them yourself.

Normal sudoku rules apply. Also, each gray area contains the digits 1 through 9 exactly once each, and these digits must form a consecutive chain of adjacent digits from 1 to 9 by moving horizontally or vertically from one cell to the next. (See example image).


f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2ohuot5y CtC: https://tinyurl.com/bdefmnek

## March 5, 2023: Bent Diagonal Sudoku

Bill Murphy
Hey! You! Yes, You @Daily Sudoku Solver !
You should do Sudoku Mahabharat Round 3 on Logic Masters India! This round is Math-y Sudoku and Irregular Sudoku! l've done it, it's great!
Just to get you in the mood, here's something irregular, a bent diagonal sudoku!
Bill places a finger to his earpiece
Huh?
What do you mean? Not that kind of irregular?
Anyway:
Normal Sudoku Rules Apply. Each of the four bent diagonals must contain the digits 1-9.
So you know how in a regular $X$ Sudoku, each diagonal would contain the digits 1-9? Here each diagonal bounces at the intersection, creating 4 diagonals which all must contain the digits 1-9. I've included a handy coloured image for your reference attached to this post.

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


f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2mkot3bl CTC: https://tinyurl.com/p9mzez5w

## March 6, 2023: Happy Anniversary

Philip Newman
Happy anniversary to my parents, who have been married 42 years. (Does this mean they have discovered the Answer to the Ultimate Question of Life, The Universe, and Everything?)

As established last intro, I never make sequel puzzles. But an anniversary is like a sequel, and if I were to make a sequel puzzle...

Today's GAS is a Diagonal Sudoku!
Normal sudoku rules apply.
Diagonal: Digits along the indicated diagonals cannot repeat.
Snag a bonus hat for identifying what this puzzle is a sequel to

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

Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2e3dqjz5
Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/2rjssw9k

## March 7, 2023: 24-Trio Sudoku

Clover
The number 24 is a highly composite number: there are no smaller numbers that have as many divisors as it does. This makes it a helpful friend for today's 24-trio sudoku, which is all about multiplication (with a little addition thrown in on top!)

Normal sudoku rules apply. Also, each gray line contains an arithmetic problem that must have a result of exactly 24 . Multiplication always occurs before addition. For instance, a line reading _ ${ }^{+} x_{\text {_ }}$ could be filled in with the digits 9,3 , and 5 , in that order, because $9+(3 \times 5)=24$. Digits may repeat along lines.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2ldh7u9y
CtC: https://tinyurl.com/srcecm75

## March 8, 2023: Dot Press Me

Bill Murphy
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If you went, "Oh this is a sequel to his first puzzle for GAS this month, a Consecutive Pairs-Killer Sudoku", then I love you, you can stay around.

Normal sudoku rules apply. Digits in cages must not repeat and must sum to the small corner total, where given. Digits separated by a white dot must be consecutive. Digits separated by a black dot must be in a 2:1 ratio. Not all possible dots are given.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2z537sfm CTC: https://tinyurl.com/yck9d7rk

## March 9, 2023: Plus C'est la Même Chose

Philip Newman
Today's GAS, a Killer Sudoku, has a story behind it. Unfortunately, that story spoils a big part of the puzzle! So, I'm going to do something a little different today and link to the story in \#theory-and-programming.

Link:
https://discordapp.com/channels/709370620642852885/1083407845791375370/108340 7847989203106

Normal sudoku rules apply.
Killer: Digits in cages cannot repeat and must sum to the total given.


Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2eeteru2 Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/2kewu823

## March 10, 2023: Consecutive Sequences

Clover
Somebody gave me this lovely vase of dried consecutive thermos, but I jostled them and all of the bulbs fell off. I wonder if we could solve them anyways?

Normal sudoku rules apply. The digits along each line must form a consecutive sequence in order (either increasing or decreasing), such as 567.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2f2cujrp CtC: https://tinyurl.com/4be45sxk

March 11, 2023: big time
bill murphy
I've been getting into setting classics recently. It's not because I'm finding it easier (they're still terrifying) or I'm growing as a person (I'm cooking a frittata at 9pm on a Saturday), it's because it's one of the few things I can set easily on the work laptop when I get distracted and they soften the blow for any upcoming tricky GAS I have in the pipeline (I'll see y'all next time ©)

Normal Sudoku Rules Apply.

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

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2mjy35c4
CTC: https://tinyurl.com/ypdm4etm

## March 12, 2023: \#Disambiguation

Philip Newman
Many times when we post GAS, people find the variant part a breeze but then struggle with the classic part. Well, there's only one solution to this: make-better puzzles put the classic part first!

Today's GAS is an Anti-King Sudoku!
Normal sudoku rules apply.
Anti-King: Cells separated by a (chess) king's move cannot contain the same digit.


Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2j78wqmg
Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/3b73z42x

## March 13, 2023: Clone Sudoku

Clover
Today's clone sudoku was the byproduct of a horrific laboratory accident. Nonetheless, it still deserves our love and attention: after all, it's basically the same sudoku with a silly moustache and a penchant for evil.

Normal sudoku rules apply. The two shaded regions contain exactly the same arrangement of digits. For instance, r 1 c 2 is the same as r 6 c 5 .

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

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2jsnoyig CtC: https://tinyurl.com/2p83jkh9

## March 14, 2023: Wedding in Finistère

Bill Murphy
The zwischenzug (German: pronounced ['tsvifən,tsu:k], "intermediate move") is a chess tactic in which a player, instead of playing the expected move (commonly a recapture), first interposes another move posing an immediate threat that the opponent must answer, and only then plays the expected move. It is a move that has a high degree of "initiative". Ideally, the zwischenzug changes the situation to the player's advantage, such as by gaining material or avoiding what would otherwise be a strong continuation for the opponent.

In the spirit of the Zwischenzug, here's today's Between Lines Sudoku.
Normal sudoku rules apply. Digits on lines connecting circles must lie between the circled digits numerically.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2dvvok74
CTC: https://tinyurl.com/cb8p7fh2

March 15, 2023: The Ides of March
Philip Newman
Sometimes when we post GAS, we put the classic part first. This is not one of those times.

Today's GAS is another Anti-King Sudoku!
Normal sudoku rules apply.
Anti-King: Cells separated by a (chess) king's move cannot contain the same digit.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 4 |  | 8 |  | 7 |  | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | 2 |  |  |  |
|  | 6 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 5 |  |
|  |  | 2 |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |
|  | 7 |  |  |  |  | 3 | 8 |  |
|  |  |  | 4 | 1 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 3 |  | 5 |  | 6 |  | 2 |  |
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Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2jogbhbx
Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/362thees

## March 16，2023：Palindrome

## Clover

The first attached image shows a poem called＂Star Gauge＂by the 4th－century Chinese poet Su Hui．It can be read not only backwards and forwards，but also in approximately 3，000（really）other ways to form different snippets of rhyming poetry．

Fortunately，we＇ll only ask you to read the palindromes in today＇s puzzle two ways： forwards and backwards．Normal sudoku rules apply；also，the digits along each gray line form a palindrome（a sequence that reads the same going in either direction）．


《璔现图》简体






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f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2lgquq38
CtC : https://tinyurl.com/4m6k392b

## March 17, 2023: Make Way

Bill Murphy
On Australian TV today, I was on my third quiz show for the year, Rockwiz. (It's a music trivia show, there's not really anything like it anywhere else, but probably the closest thing the UK has to it Never Mind The Buzzcocks.)

I've always been a big music listener. Did you know that most of my puzzle titles for garden variety sudoku and it's collegiate variants these days are just song titles of what I'm listening to at the time?
There's no rhyme or reason to it, I'm not even trying to promote the bands I listen to, it just makes my life a little easier.
I keep track of them all in a playlist in these days, which you can find here: https://open.spotify.com/playlist/30FIGK1BD9c8nFpv4HpUq4?si=eb2a54ec44454173

Today's GAS is a Classic Sudoku. You know what's up but l'll say it anyway: Put the digits 1-9 in each box, row and column.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2prrfn85
CTC: https://tinyurl.com/56j9hjpj

## March 18, 2023: Domino Rally

Philip Newman
Special announcement! There will be another @Legitimate Patreon Haver quiz show watch party in voice-chat-1 at 19. März 2023 15:00! That's clearly too early for me to be awake, so the rest of you had better show up in my place!

Today's GAS is a Killer Sudoku!
Normal sudoku rules apply.
Killer: Digits in cages cannot repeat and must sum to the total given.


Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2pxsjbfx Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/2e2aeymt

## March 19, 2023: Deficit Sudoku

Clover
Before we start: we're having a watch party in \#voice-chat-1 in about 10 minutes! We're watching another edition of Bill's whirlwind tour through the game shows of Australia

Now for the GAS: Humans have always loved taking care of tiny little guys. Kittens. Pet rocks. Pokemon. Tamagotchis. Deficit sudoku. Something about it just warms our blackened, shriveled hearts. Take good care of today's tiny little GAS for me, would ya? (30)

Place a number from 1-7 in each empty cell in the grid such that each row and column contains each number exactly once, and each 6-cell region contains each number at most once.


SudokuPad: https://tinyurl.com/2p92zxuu

## March 20, 2023: Such Great Heights

Bill Murphy
Thanks everyone for coming out for the insanity that was my episode of Rockwiz, my favourite moment that didn't make the cut was the question, "Which actor danced his way across a hotel-" and l've pressed the buzzer and gone
"Would that be Christopher Walken in the video for Fatboy Slim's Weapon of Choice video?"
"How in the hell do you know that?"
"It was a very influential video for me as a small child and I took up salsa dancing because of it"
And then the host and I ended up flirtily shimmying at each other because I didn't want to admit they'd used this question in my zoom interview so I knew it already.

Anyway, Quadruples Sudoku today!
Normal sudoku rules apply. Digits in clues at cell intersections must appear in the surrounding 4 cells.

f-puzzles: $\underline{\text { https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2mczulfc }}$ CTC: https://tinyurl.com/pnszz24r

## March 21, 2023: 16 Extra Givens??

Philip Newman
I'm feeling extra generous today, but due to Daylight Savings in the US I am not allowed to give you extra time. Instead, I've given you extra givens! Sixteen of them, in fact. That's right, it's time for another edition of "Philip made a silly pattern that happens to have a unique solution and turned it into GAS by throwing digits at it!"

Oh, you wanted a 17th given digit for that last arrow? Don't be ridiculous. Everyone knows 16 is the maximum number of given digits for an already unique arrow puzzle.

Today's GAS is an Arrow Sudoku!
Normal sudoku rules apply.
Arrow: Digits along arrows must sum to the circled total. (Digits may repeat if allowed by other rules.)


Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2hr58pyf Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/5n7nmj3

## March 22, 2023: Clone Fortress

Clover
Today's GAS was discovered on a medieval tapestry, which is believed to depict a map showing two fortresses: the Great Keep of Regiononetwofouria, and the Castle of Regionsixeightnineistad. In modern times, these fortresses are believed to have been virtually interchangeable - although I'm sure their inhabitants would have disagreed!

In this clone fortress sudoku, normal sudoku rules apply. Also, gray regions of the same size and shape contain exactly the same arrangement of digits. Each digit in a gray cell must be greater than all of the digits in white cells that are orthogonally adjacent to that cell.

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

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2lvbqymz
CtC : https://tinyurl.com/3mpa28cm

## March 23, 2023: New Order T-Shirt

Bill Murphy
A long set of purple lines running through my sudoku? Call those Renbanners, am I right?

In this Renban Sudoku, normal sudoku rules apply. Digits along purple lines must form a consecutive set of numbers and may be in any order.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2jbyhfap CTC: https://tinyurl.com/3kvnv468 (Bearbeitet)

March 24, 2023: HI
Philip Newman
The title speaks for itself.
Also: I'm joining @Memeristor (purpl) for the Setter Spotlight Series in about 24 hours! 25. März 2023 18:00 (UT) to be precise. Stop by if you want to hear me famble for two hours about obscure-sudokutechniques answer questions! https://www.youtube.com/live/bDWajXcoe6M?feature=share

Today's GAS is a Ratio Pairs Sudoku!
Normal sudoku rules apply.
Ratio Pairs: Digits in cells separated by a black dot must have a ratio of 2:1. (No negative constraint - other pairs of digits may also have a $2: 1$ ratio.)


Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2ffrabd7 Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/4srh85vy

Memeristor: Philip Newman (Setter Spotlight Series) https://www.youtube.com/live/bDWajXcoe6M?feature=share

March 25, 2023: Difference 2 Neighbor
Clover
Make sure you check out Philip's appearance on Setter Spotlight later today over at https://www.youtube.com/live/bDWajXcoe6M?feature=share. See you there! In the meantime, here's a GAS to tide you over:

In this difference 2 neighbor sudoku, normal sudoku rules apply. Also, each digit in a gray cell must have at least one orthogonal neighbor that is exactly 2 more or 2 less than it. (The neighbor may be in another gray cell or in a white cell.) Not all possible gray cells are necessarily given.

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

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2ju4rdu7
CtC: https://tinyurl.com/3z6sn5fx

## March 26, 2023: Emitter Sudoku

Bill Murphy

## KLAXON SOUND

Sudoku Mahabharat 2023 Round 4 - Neighbours \& Converse is live! Go do it! Bonus Hat Rules Still Apply!
KLAXON SOUND
Congratulations to Mr. Mark Goodliffe, who reached 100 consecutive 2 hat solves today, with no signs of slowing down! Let's see what we can do about that, shall we?
KLAXON SOUND
Today's GAS is an Emitter Sudoku. The rules are a little intense, but l've included a plain English version underneath.
Normal Sudoku Rules Apply. There are some circled digits in the grid which are called 'emitters'. Four lines of cells originate at each emitter, one in each direction. The digits along each of these lines must have a sum no greater than the value of the emitter itself; also, each line must be as long as possible (that is, if a line were extended by one cell, the sum would be greater than the emitter value). If no line is given in a direction, the adjacent cell would be higher than the digit in the circle.

So, if that's a lot for you, the gist is it's Arrow sudoku, the highlighted cells are the bulb and the line goes as far as possible until it reaches the sum in the circle or going one cell further along would be larger than the digit in the bulb. The sum along the line won't always equal the bulb and if there's no line, the adjacent digit is bigger than the bulb digit.

I'm including the rare PRACTICE PUZZLE for you today to practice today's ruleset on if you want to wrap your head around it before going bigger.

6x6 f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2npcho7m
6x6 CTC: https://tinyurl.com/yzr3t5kw


So, if you've got all that, here's the deal. [here were the times, look in the table in the back. Mr. Goodliffe gets less time for 2 hats]

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2fdbsg78 CTC: https://tinyurl.com/4mbna2cj

## March 27, 2023: 129 Crane Fly

Philip Newman
Everyone here (hopefully?) knows that the rules of sudoku ask you to fill each row, column, and $3 \times 3$ box with the digits from 1 to 9 . But when I'm feeling especially lazy, I just fill my puzzles with the digits from 1 to 9 in order.

Today's GAS is a Classic Sudoku!
Normal sudoku rules apply. And that's it!

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

Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2pck363t
Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/2ks8na9h

## March 28, 2023: Cross Sums

Clover
The sums in today's cross sums sudoku are very cross indeed. I can only speculate that somebody dinged their car with a shopping cart, or ate the last Cadbury creme egg that they were personally saving for later.

Normal sudoku rules apply. Whenever an $X$ appears at the corner of four cells, each of the two diagonal pairs of cells surrounding it must have the same sum.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2o7orhjc CtC: https://tinyurl.com/4dj8k8kb

## March 29, 2023: Stuck in the Middle with You

Bill Murphy
Today was going to be episode 2 in my villain arc, especially after my class this afternoon (working will do that to you am I right, fellow teachers?), but I got home and the energy for being evil and malevolent has kinda dissipated. So, let's meet in the middle, with this Median Sudoku.

Normal Sudoku Rules Apply. Clues outside the grid give the middle of the first three digits seen from that direction.

f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2o8fhlwd
CTC: https://tinyurl.com/3sawpytz

March 30, 2023: The Art of Goodliffing
Philip Newman
Today we have a GAS 101 Thermo Sudoku! As usual, feel free to use as much or as little of the document as you like. (There are no direct spoilers for today's puzzle in this document, just hints at how you might approach it!)

A nugget from the document that doesn't spoil anything and is very helpful: It's worth noting that in the CTC App/SudokuPad, double-clicking on a thermo cell will highlight all corresponding cells of thermos of the same length.

Normal sudoku rules apply.
Thermo: Digits along thermometers must strictly increase from bulb to tip.


Play on f-puzzles: https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2my2ajhb Play on CTC App: https://tinyurl.com/krbbjhd3

March 31, 2023: Rossini
Clover

## ROSSINI SUDOKU with negative constraint

Normal sudoku rules apply. An arrow next to a row or column shows the direction that the three nearest digits in that row or column increase. For instance, the arrow to the left of r 1 shows that $\mathrm{r} 1 \mathrm{c} 1<\mathrm{r} 1 \mathrm{c} 2<\mathrm{r} 1 \mathrm{c} 3$. ALL POSSIBLE ARROWS ARE GIVEN. 橉 IF NO ARROW IS GIVEN, THE THREE DIGITS MUST NEITHER ALL INCREASE NOR ALL DECREASE. THIS PUZZLE HAS A NEGATIVE CONSTRAINT. 粦 HAVE I MADE MYSELF CLEAR.


CTC: https://tinyurl.com/2pjx8st8 (Bearbeitet)

Bonus 1: Princess Cut
Shye

Normal sudoku rules apply. And that's it!

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

https://f-puzzles.com/?id=28fh2efb https://tinyurl.com/33my2jky

## Bonus 2: Lemon Sudoku

## Clover

Normal sudoku rules apply. Also, for each "lemon" shape, read the two digits contained inside of the yellow line as a two-digit number from left to right or top to bottom. The digits on that yellow line must sum to that two-digit number. Digits on yellow lines may repeat as long as they follow sudoku rules.

https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2534vn88
https://tinyurl.com/2p88mnz4

## Bonus 3: Kropki

## Philip Newman

Normal sudoku rules apply. Digits separated by a black dot are in a 1:2 ratio. Digits separated by a white dot are consecutive. ALL POSSIBLE DOTS ARE GIVEN (negative constraint applies). Note that a $1 / 2$ pair may be separated by either a black or a white dot.

https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2aq6knfe
https://tinyurl.com/5342cspr

## Bonus 4: German Whispers

Philip Newman

Normal sudoku rules apply. Along each green line, adjoining digits differ by at least 5 .

https://f-puzzles.com/?id=22n3rcrk https://tinyurl.com/7m4bbfxv

Bonus 5: Downright Dangerous
Bill Murphy

Normal sudoku rules apply. Digits along an indicated diagonal must sum to the given total.

https://f-puzzles.com/?id=2gqtf6y5 https://tinyurl.com/pk4ydt92

## Time Benchmarks

|  | Two party hats | One party hat | Today's dinosaur: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| March 1, 2023 | 06:30 | 12:00 | artistic aorun |
| March 2, 2023 | 07:30 | 13:00 | repetitive Rapator |
| March 3, 2023 | 08:30 | 16:00 | Inspirational Ibirania |
| March 4, 2023 | 07:30 | 14:00 | zen Zuniceratops |
| March 5, 2023 | 08:30 | 15:00 | X-shaped Xuwulong |
| March 6, 2023 | 07:00 | 42 years | Ultrasauros Unobtainium |
| March 7, 2023 | 24/3 minutes | 24/2 + 4 minutes | 24-karat gorgosaurus |
| March 8, 2023 | 08:00 | 14:00 | repetitive Rapator |
| March 9, 2023 | 05:00 | 12:00 | Memetic Mamenchisauridae |
| March 10, 2023 | 06:30 | 11:30 | botanic Bonapartenykus |
| March 11, 2023 | 05:00 | 10:00 | Classic Claosaurus |
| March 12, 2023 | 06:00 | 12:00 | Ruixinia Rex |
| March 13, 2023 | 06:00 | 12:00 | alternate-timeline Ajkaceratops |
| March 14, 2023 | 07:00 | 13:00 | Intermediate Incisivosaurus |
| March 15, 2023 | 07:00 | 14:00 | Kingly Kaijutitan |
| March 16, 2023 | 06:30 | 12:00 | a man, a plan, a canal, Panamericansaurus |
| March 17, 2023 | 06:00 | 11:00 | listening linheraptor |
| March 18, 2023 | 06:30 | 13:00 | Party-Watching Pitekunsaurus |
| March 19, 2023 | 04:30 | 08:00 | tiny Tyrannotitan |
| March 20, 2023 | 08:00 | 15:00 | slightly cheating Changyuraptor |
| March 21, 2023 | 06:30 | 13:00 | Generous Gannansaurus |
| March 22, 2023 | 07:00 | 13:00 | tale of two talenkauens |
| March 23, 2023 | 07:56 | 13:24 | Groan-inducing Gryponyx |
| March 24, 2023 | 06:36 | 12:48 | Multiplying Menucocelsior |
| March 25, 2023 | 07:00 | 13:00 | neighborly Nebulasaurus |
| March 26, 2023 | 09:00 * | 17:00 | Evil Genius Eotyrannus |
| March 27, 2023 | 05:03 | 11:00 | Languorous Lingwulong |
| March 28, 2023 | 06:00 | 11:00 | grumpy Gryposaurus |
| March 29, 2023 | 09:30 | 18:00 | Mid Minmi |
| March 30, 2023 | 08:00 | 16:00 | Remarkable Rhomaleopakhus |


| March 31, 2023 | $06: 30$ | $12: 00$ | strident Stenopelix |
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* If you are Mr. Goodliffe you only have 7:30 for two hats on March 26.

