

Project Goal: Curvatures  $< T$

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- given that  $T = \text{some integer}$  and packing  $P$  exists, what is the number of circles in packing

$P$  less than  $T$

• we went into averages,



averages morph into  $T$ !

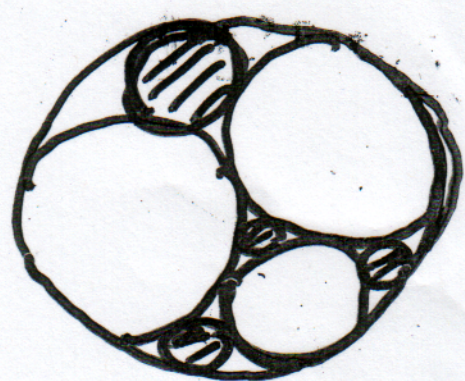
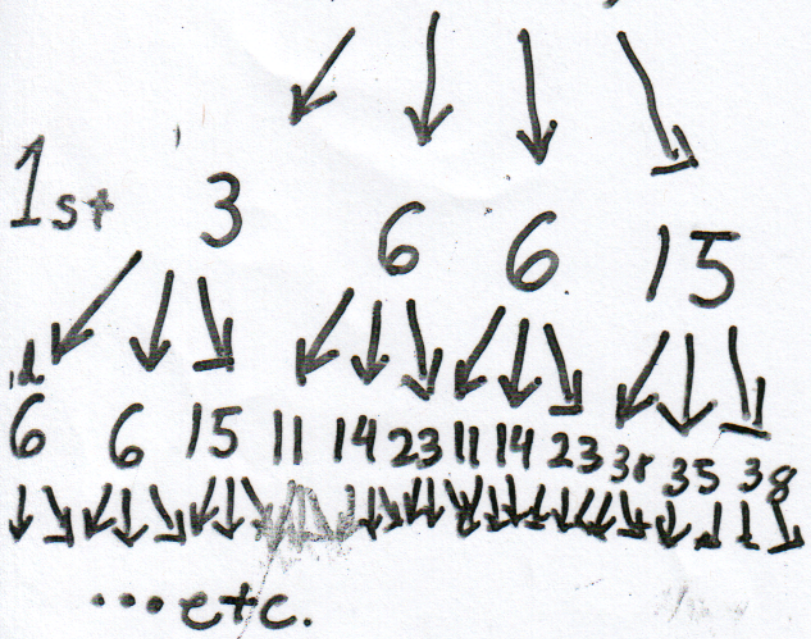


-1, 2, 2, 3

So... time to calculate the averages →

Step a) how many circles are there in each generation?

0th generation (4 circles)



gen	newborn	++
0	4	4
1	4	8
2	12	20

⇒  $4 \times 3^{n-1}$  newborn/gen or  $2 + 2 \times 3^n$  ++|



step b) the hard way...

-1, 2, 2, 3

$$0^{\text{th}} \text{ gen} \rightarrow \frac{-1+2+2+3}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$1^{\text{st}} \text{ gen} \rightarrow \frac{15+6+3+6}{4} = \frac{15}{2}$$

$$2^{\text{nd}} \text{ gen} \rightarrow \frac{26+26+47+47+35+35+30+30+39+39+18 \dots + 102}{12} = \frac{99}{2}$$

3rd gen  $\rightarrow$  ...no...

Step b) the 'easy way'... programming!

all curvatures  $(a, b, c, d, n)$

$\rightarrow$  vector of all curvatures of circle packing that has  $0^{\text{th}}$  gen  $[a, b, c, d]$  up to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  generation.

avg cur gen  $(a, b, c, d, n)$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\text{sum}(\text{all curvatures}(a, b, c, d, n)) - \text{sum}(\text{all curvatures}(a, b, c, d, n-1))}{4 \cdot 3^{n-1}}$$

= average curvature of generation  $n$ .



We've got the averages - what do we plot them against?

- Since we're trying to find the number of curvatures  $< T$ , we need to find the "number of curvatures under each average."

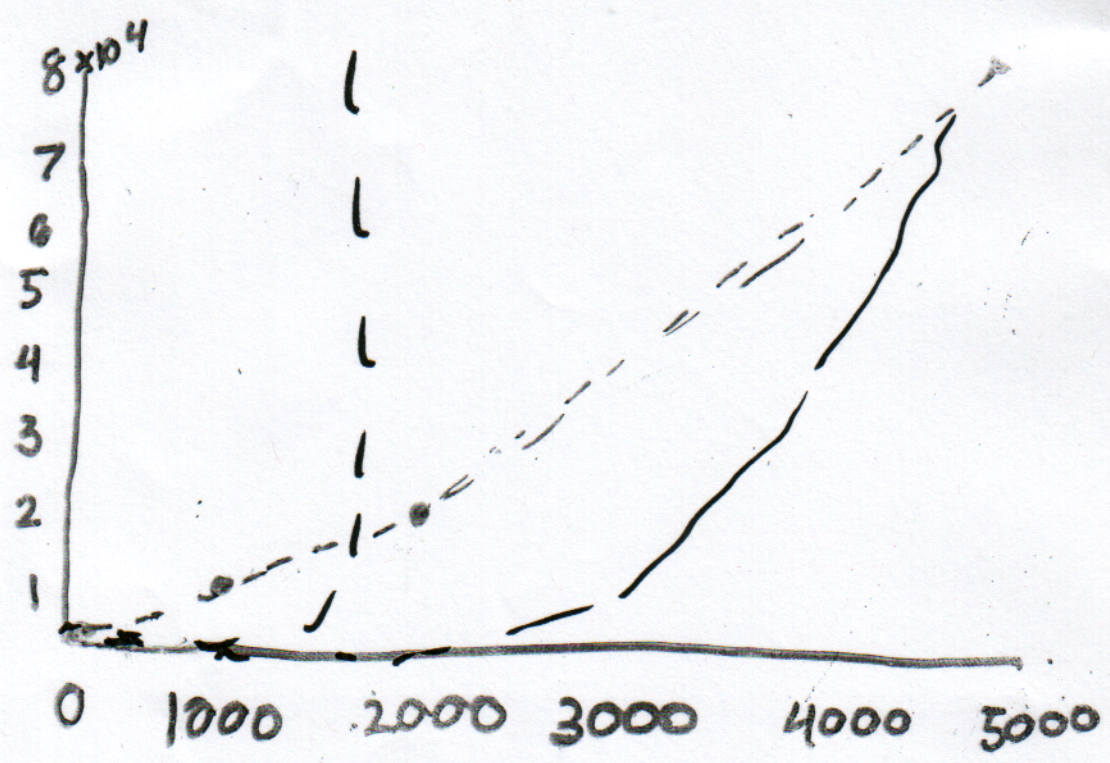
For the average of generation  $n$ , that is the number of curvatures in the generations below  $n$ , and half the curvature "born" in generation  $n$ .

$\Rightarrow$  the  $y$ -coordinate for  $x = a_n$  is

$$2 + 2 \cdot 3^{n-1} + \frac{4 \cdot 3^{n-1}}{2} = \underline{\underline{2 + 4 \cdot 3^{n-1}}}$$

So we plotted  $a_n$  vs.  $2 + 4 \cdot 3^{n-1}$  for  $n = 1$  to  $8$  and got ....





ignoring my poor drawing skills /  
graphing skills...it's exponential!