# UC Merced Applied Math Problem of the Month 

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Arrange
1 to 32
so that the sum of any two adjacent numbers makes a perfect square

Observe that numbers from 1 to 15 can be arranged in a straight line such that the sum of any two adjacent numbers is a perfect square, but not in a circle since $8+9=17$ is not a perfect square.
Can you arrange 1 to 32 in a similar fashion but in a circle?

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