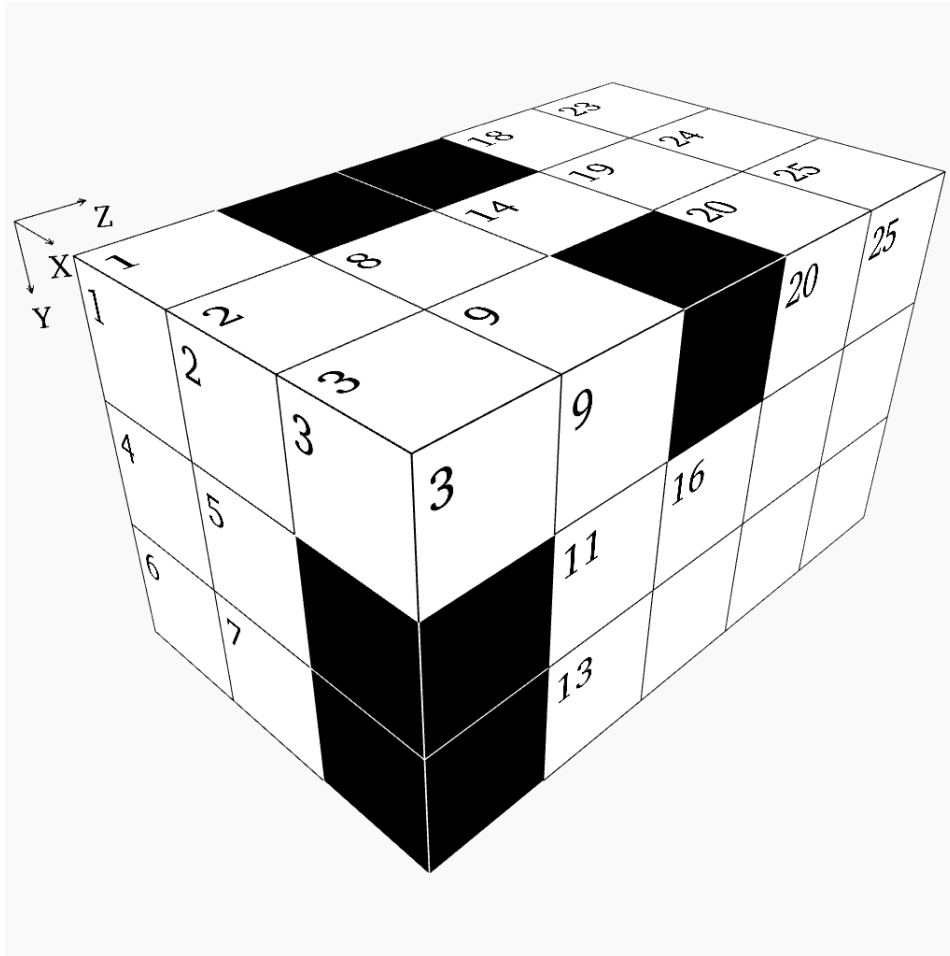


Difficulty: ★★☆☆☆

Box - Challenging Puzzle #70



This puzzle is like a crossword, but with numbers. Each digit occupies a 3D block and can be a part of a "word" in the X,Y, and Z directions.

Rules:

1. "Words" may not start with a zero.
2. "Words" in the X direction read from left to right.
3. "Words" in the Y direction read from top to bottom.
4. "Words" in the Z direction read from front to back.
5. There is one unique solution which satisfies all the clues given below.
6. Some "words" may not have clues. They will be determined by the "words" which intersect them.

If we take the box pictured above and divide it into individual X-Y layers, we will get these planes:

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | | 8 | 9 | | 14 | | 18 | 19 | 20 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 4 | 5 | | | 10 | 11 | 15 | | 16 | 21 | | | 26 | | |
| 6 | 7 | | 12 | | 13 | 17 | | | 22 | | | 27 | | |

X Direction

- 1 Y9 minus X26
- 4 Y2 minus X23
- 6 X21 minus X15
- 8 Y8 divided by nine
- 10 A prime number
- 12 X23 plus Z18
- 15 Y24 minus Y16
- 17 Rearranged digits of Y25
- 18 Y8 plus X21
- 21 A prime number
- 22 A prime number
- 23 Mean of Y15 and Y14
- 26 Y24 reversed
- 27 Thirty-six more than Y20

Y Direction

- 1 Y24 plus Z18
- 2 Mean of Y14 and Y1
- 8 Nine times Z3
- 9 Forty-four times a prime number
- 14 Mean of X23 and Y25
- 15 Z15 divided by six
- 16 A prime number
- 18 Six times a prime number
- 19 Twice the result of X1 plus X8
- 20 A prime number
- 23 Mean of X4 and Y20
- 24 A square
- 25 A prime number

Z Direction

- 2 First two digits are the same as first two digits of X23
- 3 Same as X8
- 5 Thirty-four times a prime number
- 6 X27 times Z15
- 7 Four times a prime number
- 11 Three times a prime number
- 13 Sixty-nine times a prime number
- 15 Mean of X21 and X10
- 18 X23 minus half of Y9
- 20 Z13 divided by Y16

Solution:

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