# Figured Magic Squares of Order 22 Using Bordered Magic Rectangles: A Systematic Procedure

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#### **Abstract**

Recently, author constructed even order magic squares from orders 6 to 20 with different styles and models, for examples the order 20 is with 1616 magic squares, order 18 with 810 magic squares, etc. These can be seen at [31, 32, 33, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37]. The aim is to proceed for the further orders of magic squares. In this work there are few examples of magic squares given as figures of order 20. A systematic procedure to construct these magic squares is given. It is based on the magic squares and bordered magic rectangles (BMR) of orders 4, 6, 8 etc forming external borders. Then the internal borders are filled with previous known magic squares. The presentations is in figures instead of numbers. The readers can find replies in numbers from references given above. For the orders multiples of 4, we can always write magic squares with equal sums blocks of magic squares of order 4. This procedure is very helpful for the orders of type 2p, where p is a prime number, for examples, 14, 22, 26, 34, 38, etc. For the orders like 18, 30, etc. we can make good external blocks with order 4, and for orders like 16, 20, 28, 32, etc. we can make good external borders of order 6, and so on.

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#### 1 Introduction

The magic sums of order n of consecutive numbers from 1 to  $n^2$  is given by

$$S_{n \times n} := \frac{n \times (1 + n^2)}{2}, n \ge 3.$$
 (1)

Recently, the author [31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37] constructed magic squares of even orders from 8 to 20 using **bordered magic rectangles**. This construction is based on two aspects:

- (i) Using magic rectangles or bordered magic rectangles.
- (ii) Using algebraic formula like  $(a + b)^2$ ,  $a \neq b$ .

For the above magic squares no construction procedure is explained. The aim is to proceed further orders of magic squares. In this work, a systematic procedure to construct these magic squares is given. It is based on the magic squares and bordered magic rectangles (BMR) of orders 4, 6, 8 etc forming external borders. Then the internal borders are filled with previous known magic squares. For the orders multiples of 4, we can always write magic squares with equal sums blocks of magic squares of order 4. This procedure is very helpful for the orders of type **2p**, where **p** is a prime number, for examples, 14, 22, 26, 34, 38, etc. For the orders like 18, 30, etc.,we can make good external blocks with order 4, and for orders like 16, 20, 28, 32, etc. we can make good external borders of order 6, and so on. There is no explainations for the orders 6, 8, 10 and 12. The real construction starts from the order 14.

The whole the work is done manually, without use of any programming language, except for the constructions of small blocks of **bordered magic rectangles**. This construction is based on the software due to H. While. Later, these BRM's are readopted according to distribution of each magic square. The distribution of magic squares or bordered magic rectangles is based on **half-sequential** numbers. By **half-sequential** numbers we understand that the total numbers

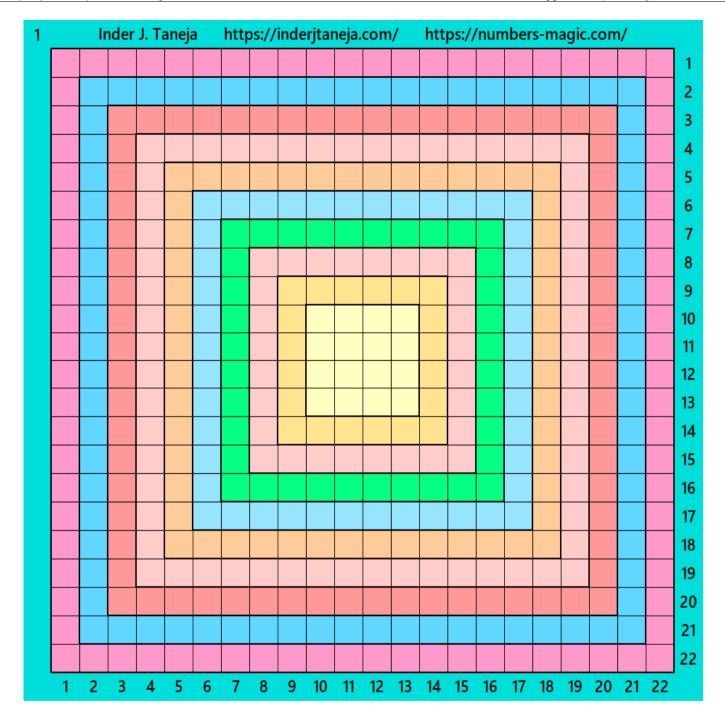
in each case are divided in two equal parts. First part is one sequence and second part is another sequence. Due to half-sequential numbers, it is not possible to construct all orders bordered magic rectangles. In Appendix 3, there are tables showing the existence of these bordered magic rectangles for half-sequential. For simplicity, we shall write BMR as bordered magic rectangle.

# 2 Magic Squares of Order 22

This section brings in figures (without numbers) magic squares of order 22. In some case its construction is explained.

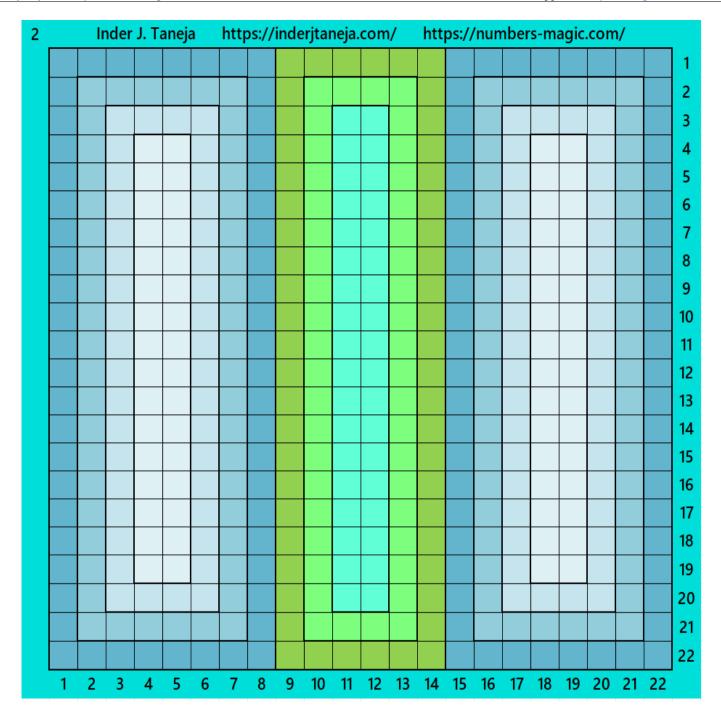
#### 2.1 Bordered Square of Order 22

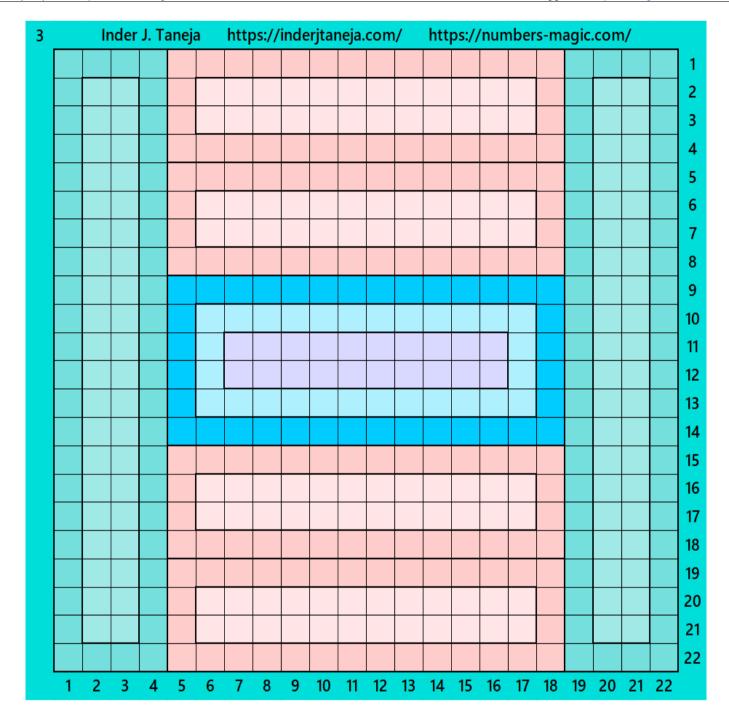
Below are four magic squares of order 22 already known in the literature. For more details refer author's work [22, 24].

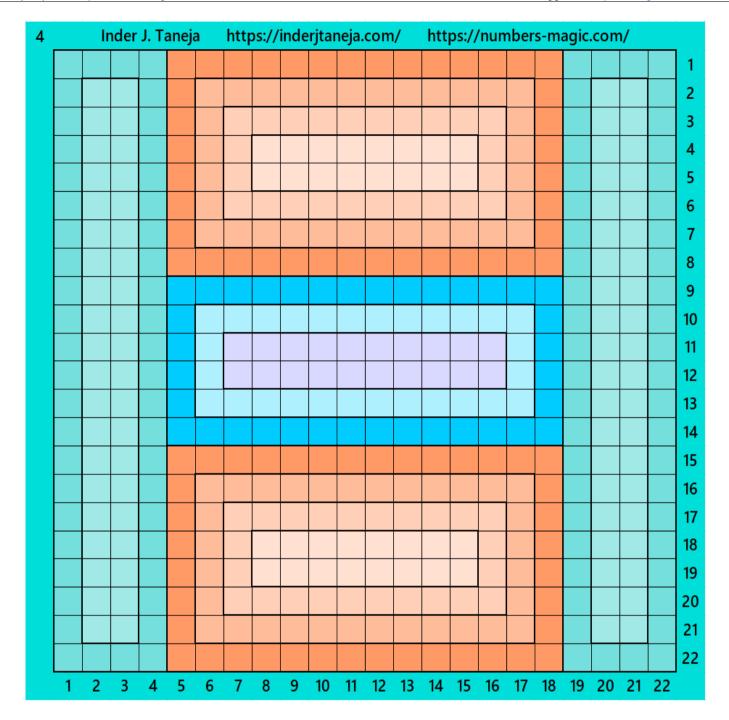


## 2.2 Magic Squares of Order 20 With BMR

Below are three examples of magic squares of order 22 made with BMR. These are constructed separately. For more details with numbers refer [37].



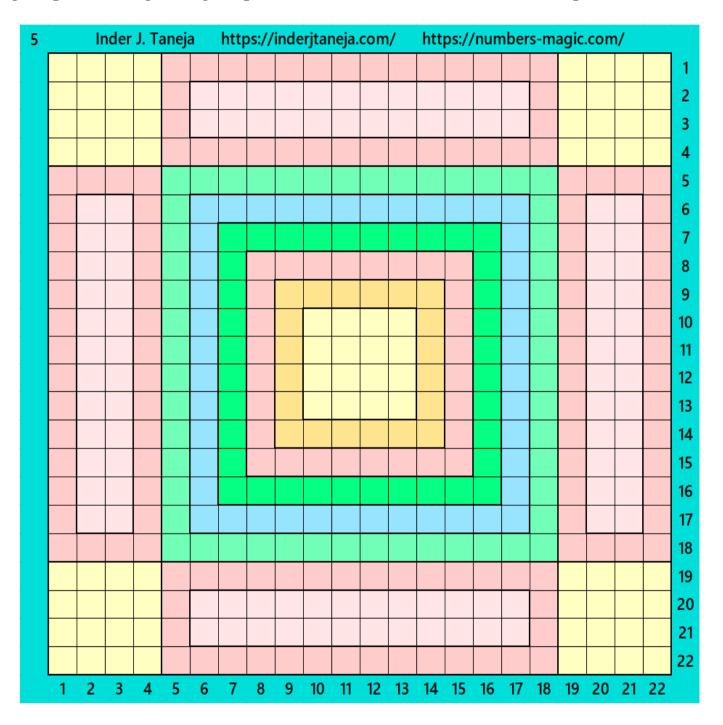


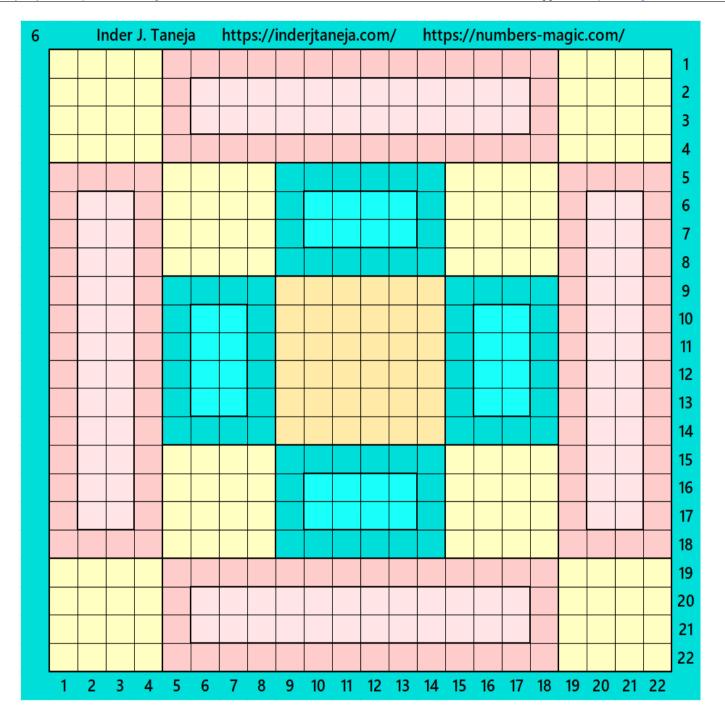


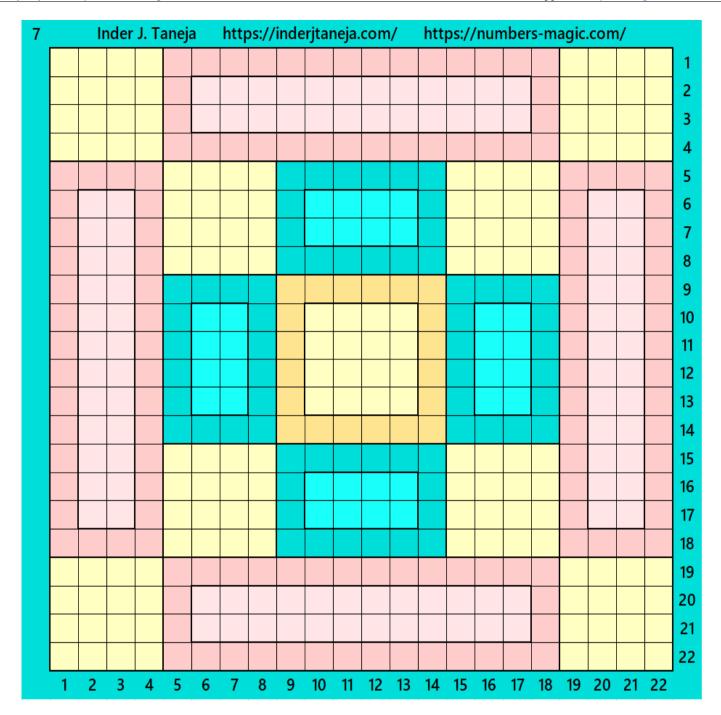
### 2.3 Cornered Magic Squares of Order 4

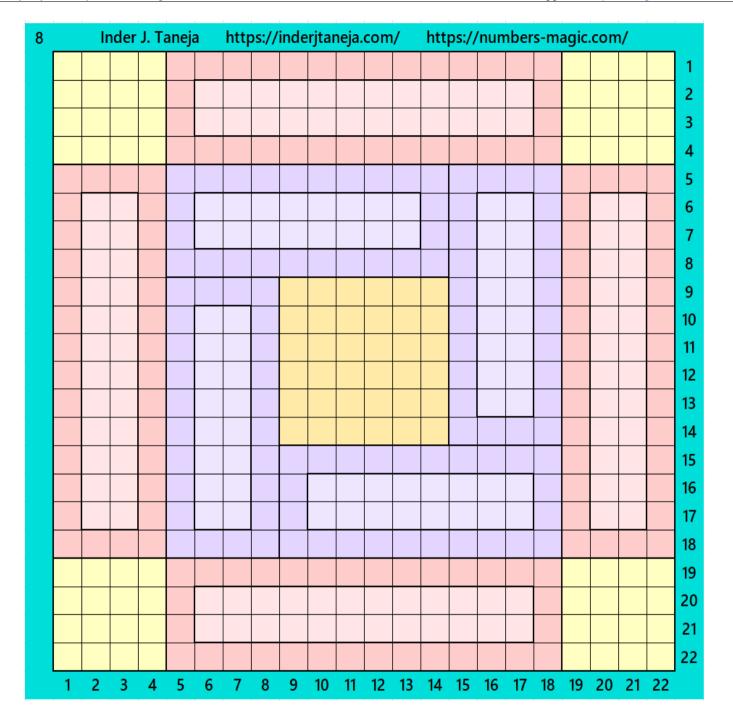
Let's consider an external border, where there are 4 magic squares of order 4 at the corners. Let's make an external border by putting BMR of order  $4 \times 14$  in each row and column. In the

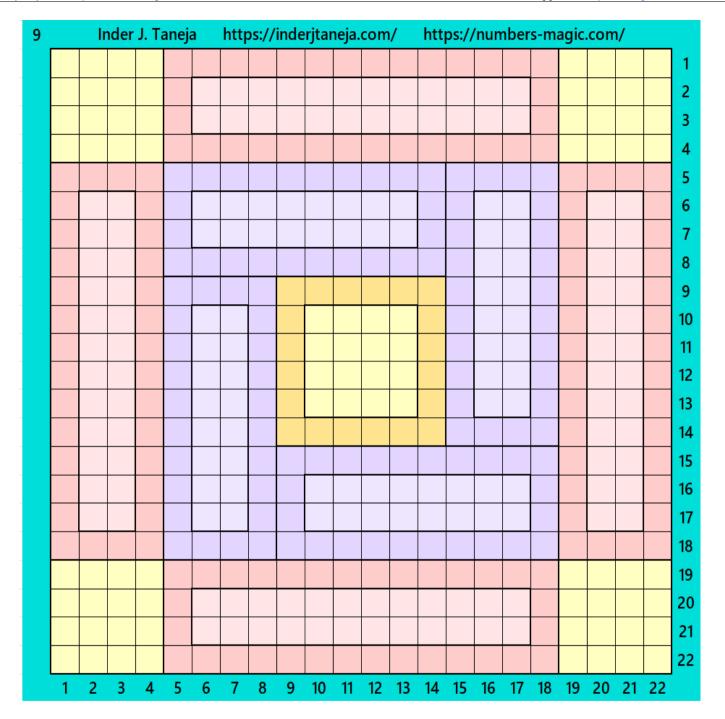
middle we are left with block of order 14. Writing middle block of order 14 with different types of magic squares, we get magic squares of order 22. See below few examples:







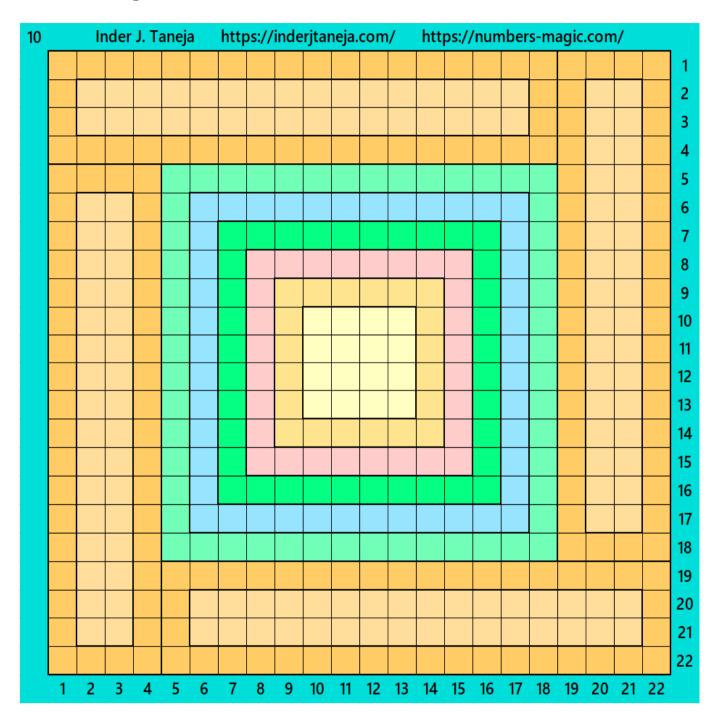


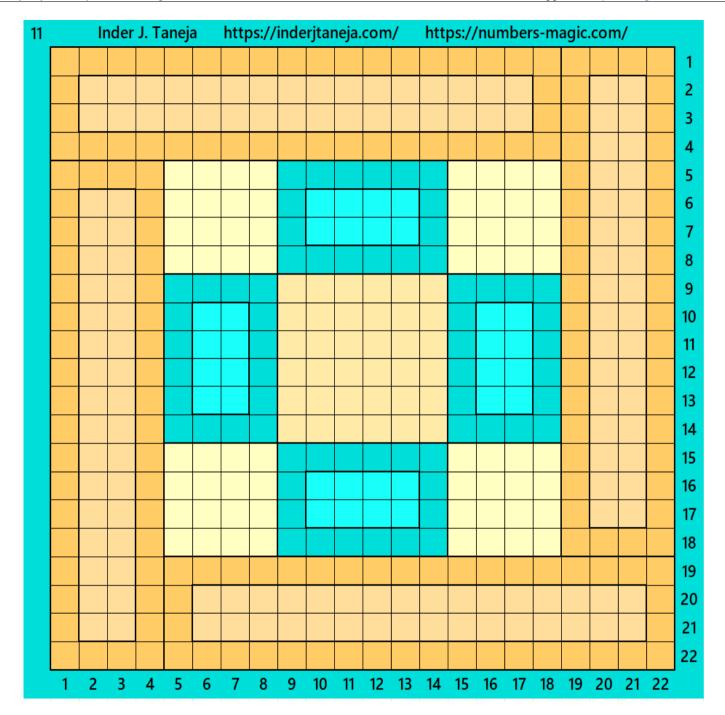


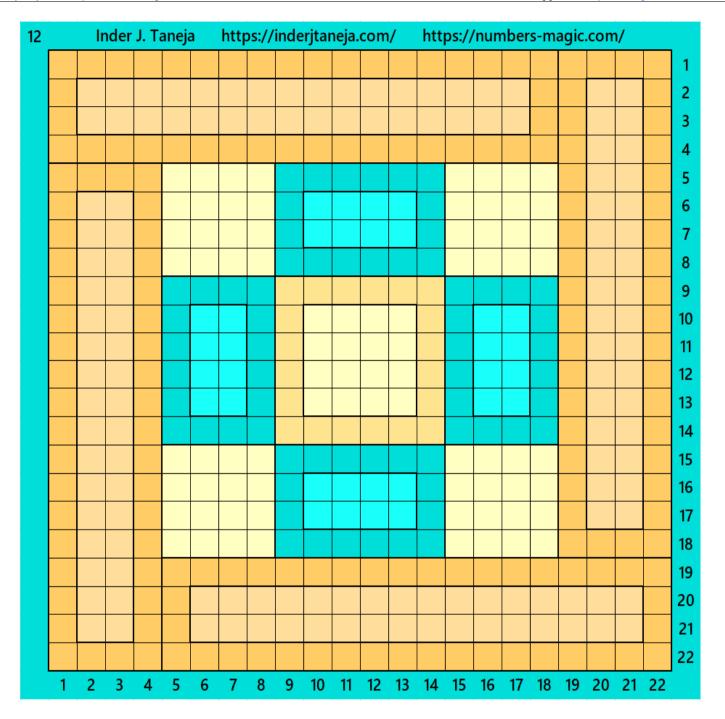
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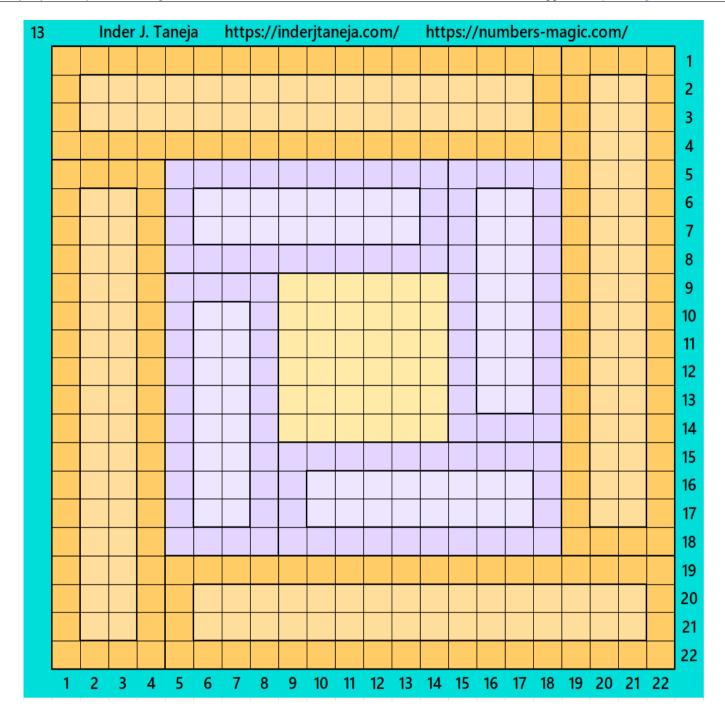
Let's consider 4 equal sums BMR of order  $4 \times 14$ . Then put them in a symmetric way in external part of the magic squares. We are left with internal block of order 14. Writing middle block of

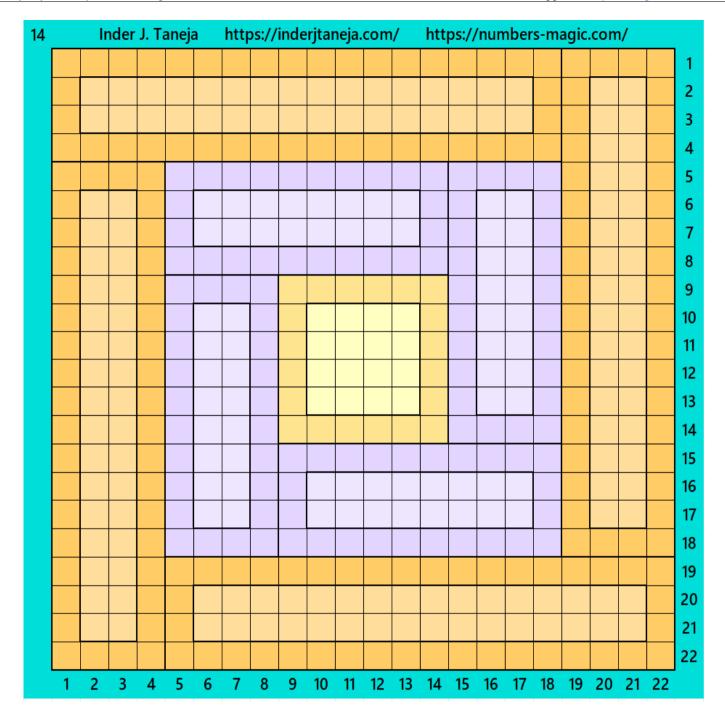
order 14 with different types of magic squares of order 14, we get magic squares of order 22. See below few examples:







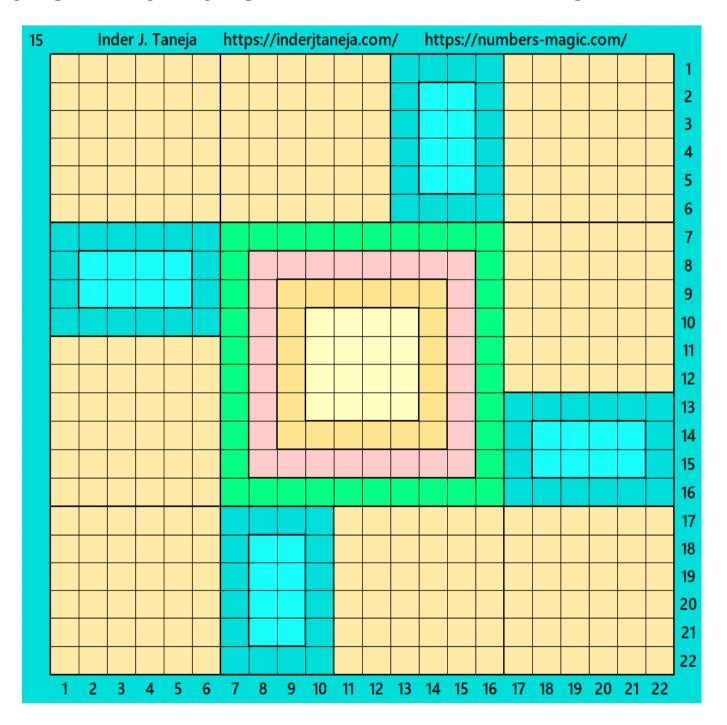


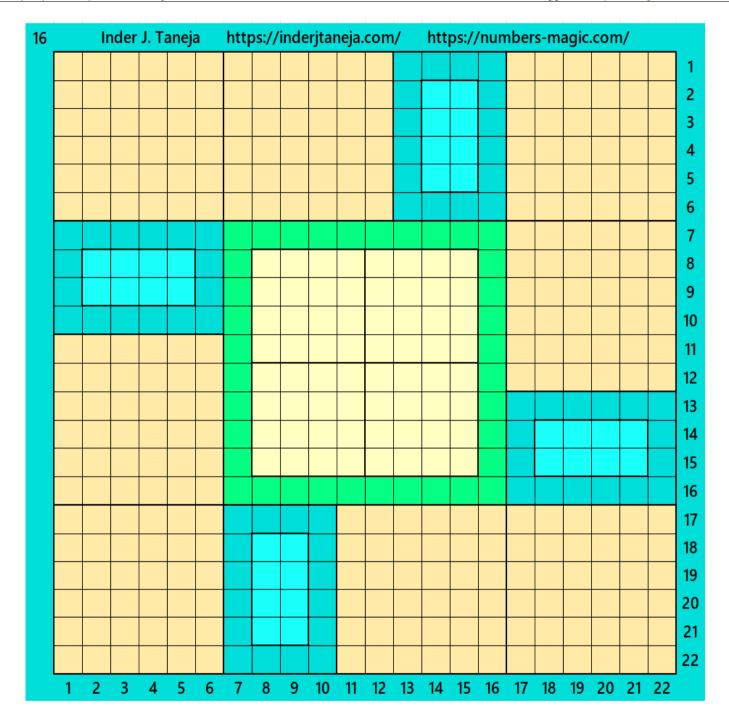


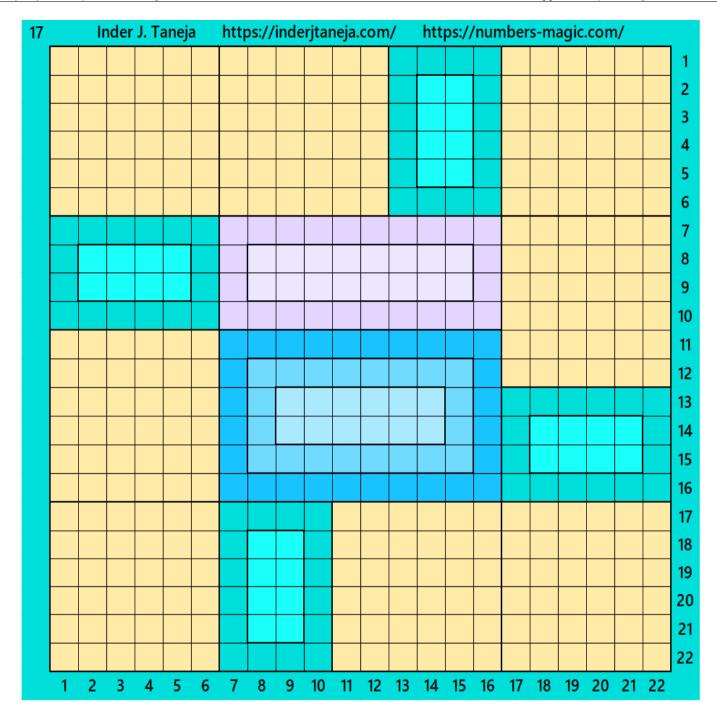
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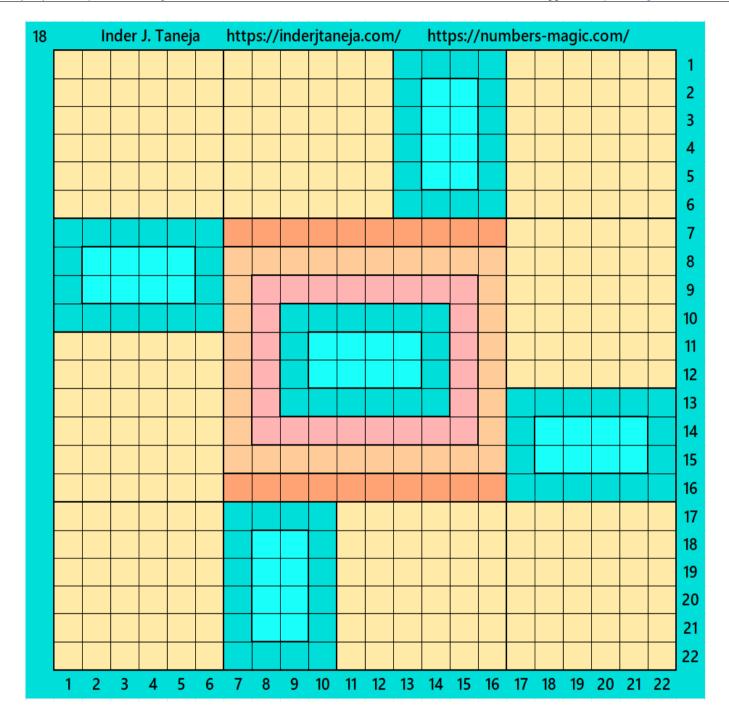
Let's consider an external border, where there are 8 magic squares of order 6 at the corners. Let's make an external border by putting BMR of order  $4 \times 6$  in each row and column. In the

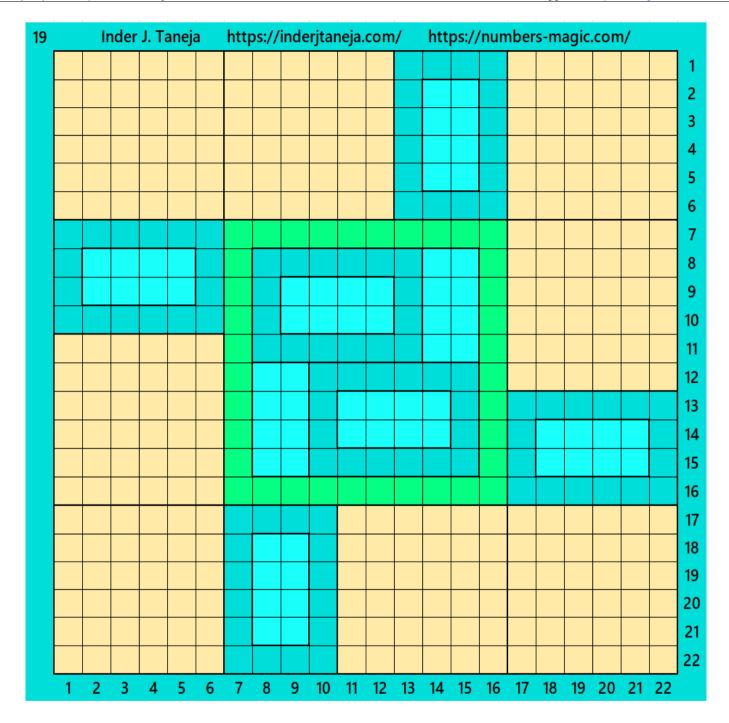
middle we are left with block of order 10. Writing middle block of order 10 with different types of magic squares, we get magic squares of order 22. See below few examples:







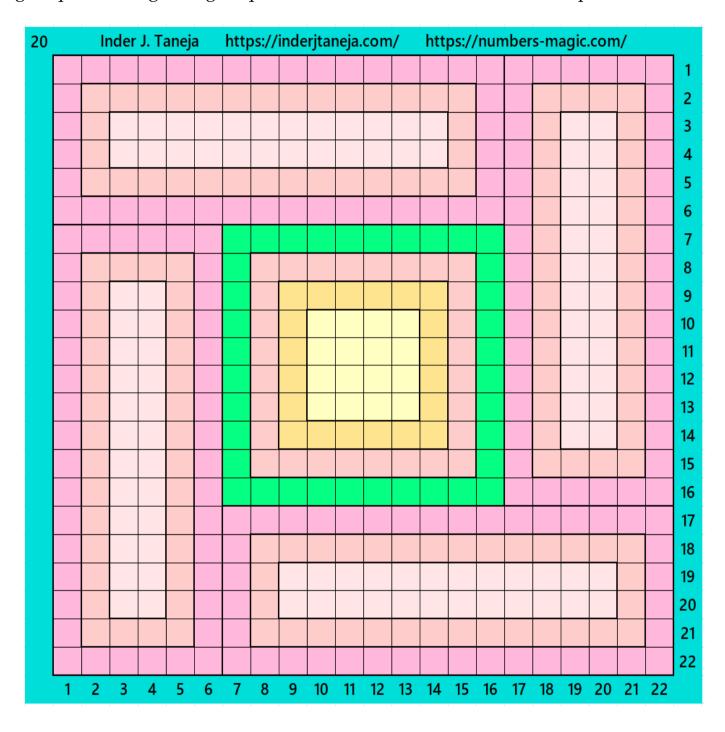


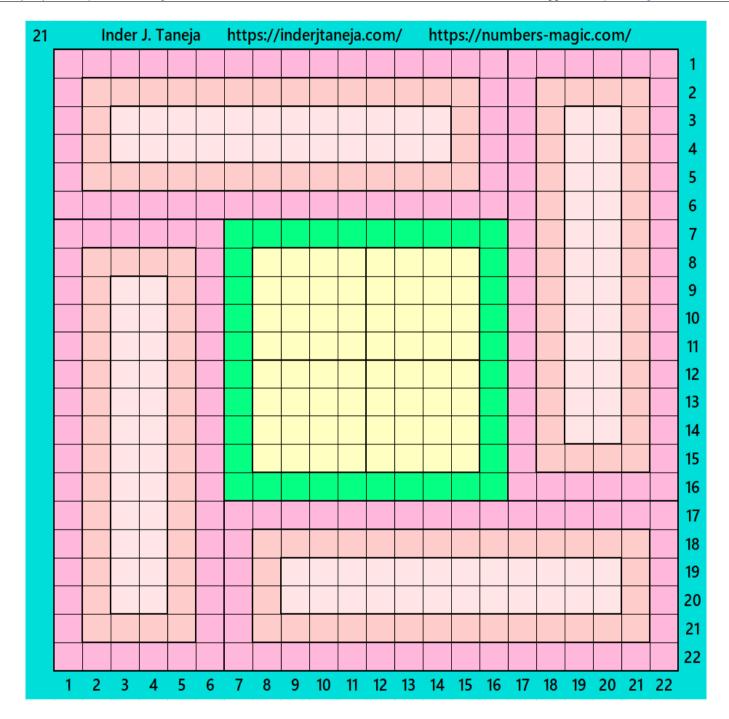


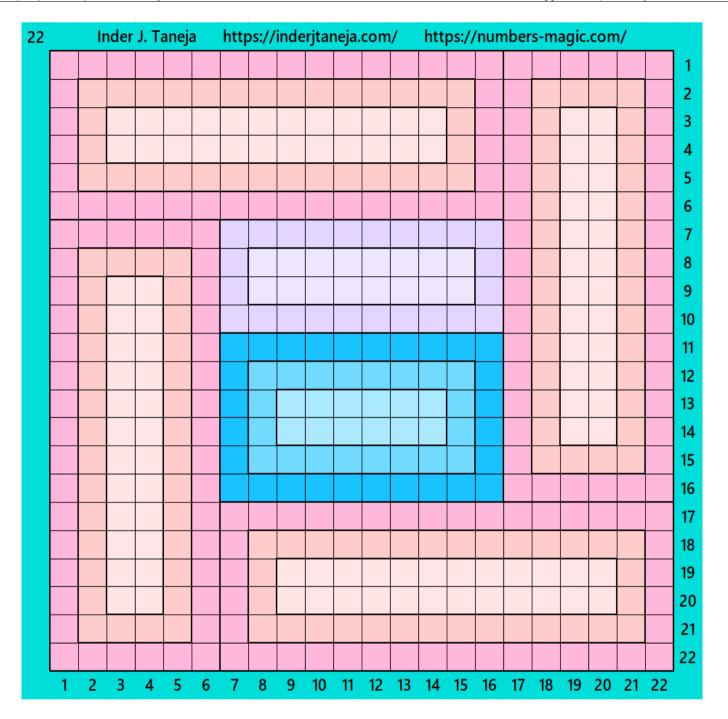
#### 2.6 Closed Border of Order 6

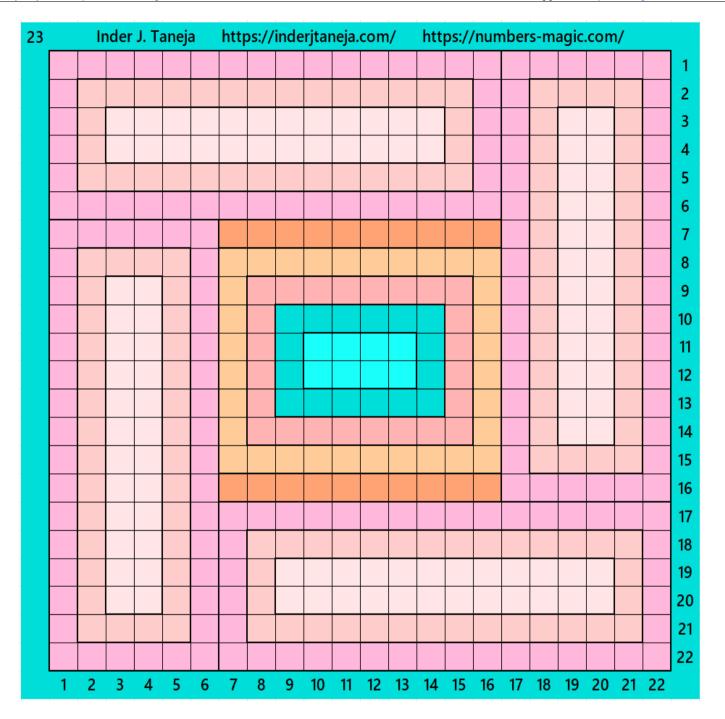
Let's write a closed external border formed by four equal sums BMR's of order  $6 \times 16$ . In the middle we are left with block of order 10. Writing middle block of order 10 with different types

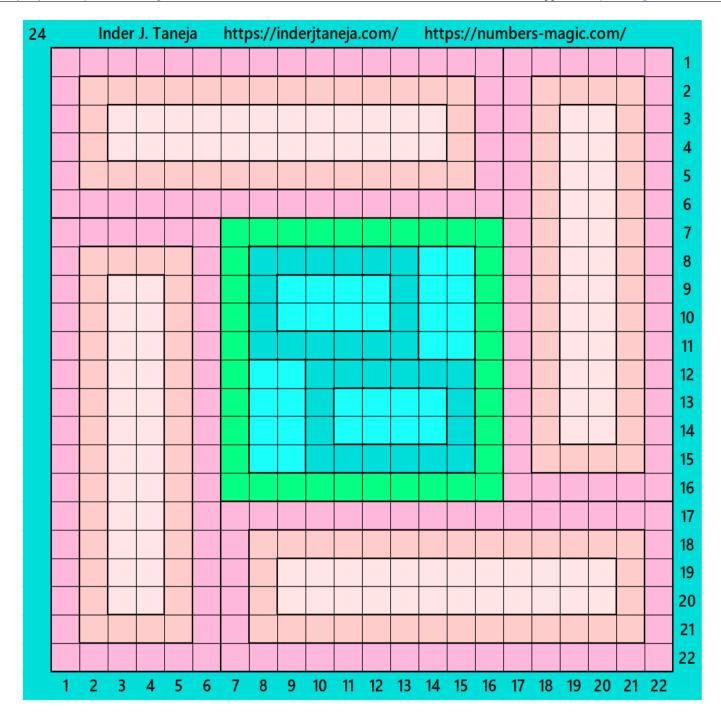
of magic squares, we get magic squares of order 22. See below few examples:







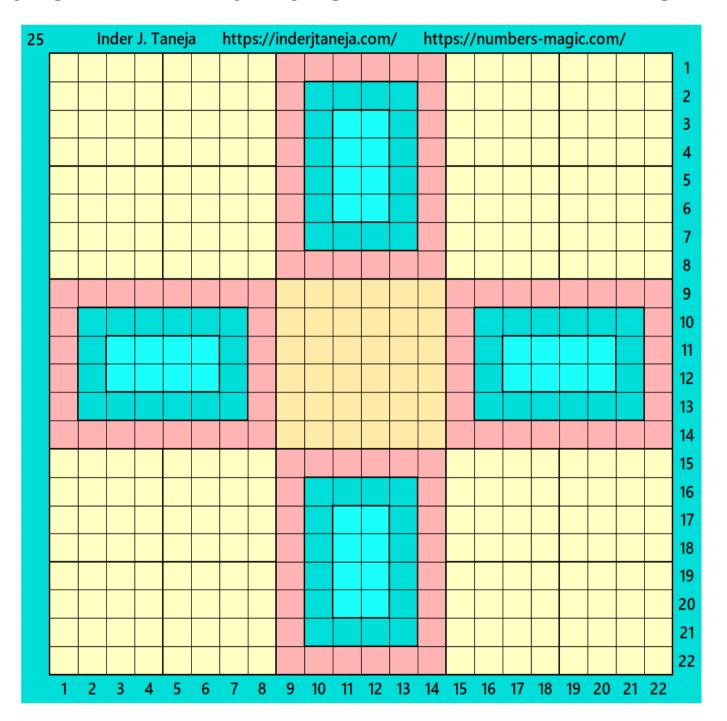


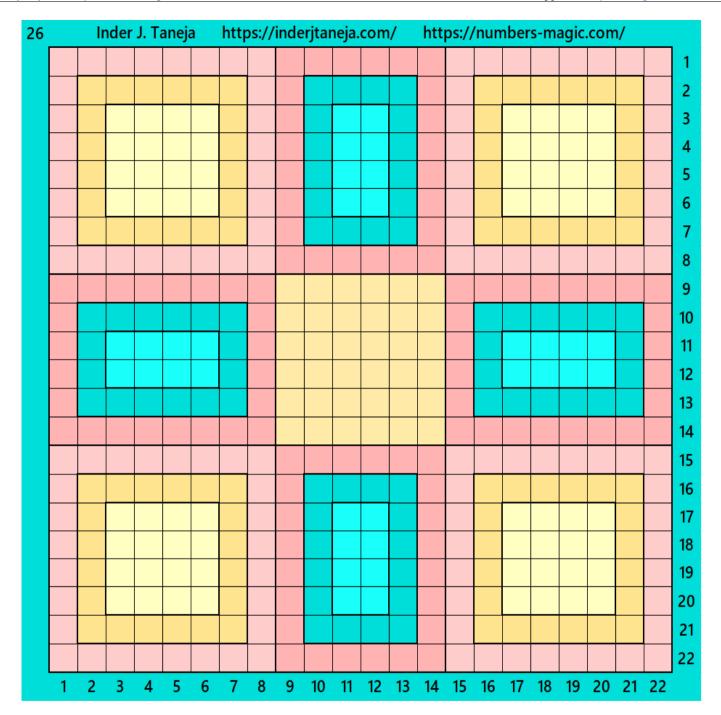


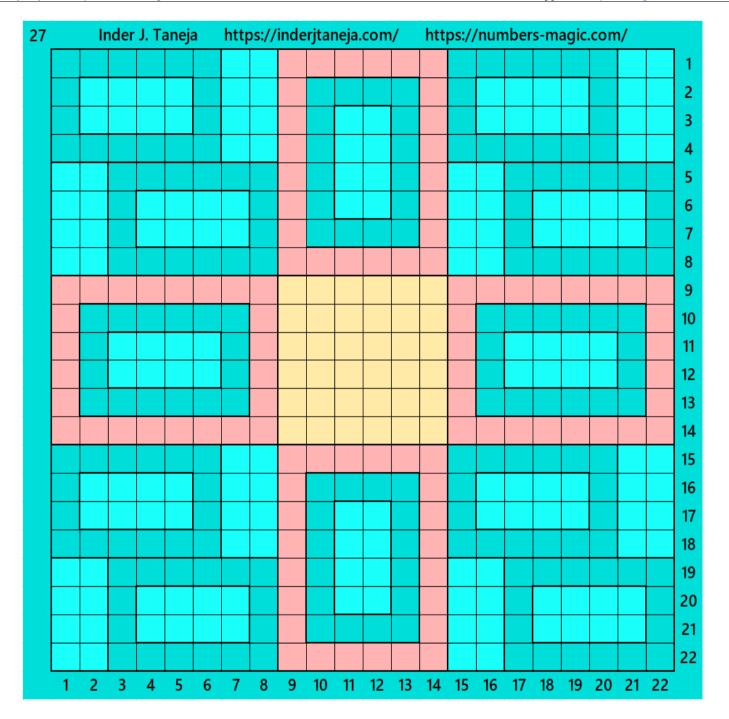
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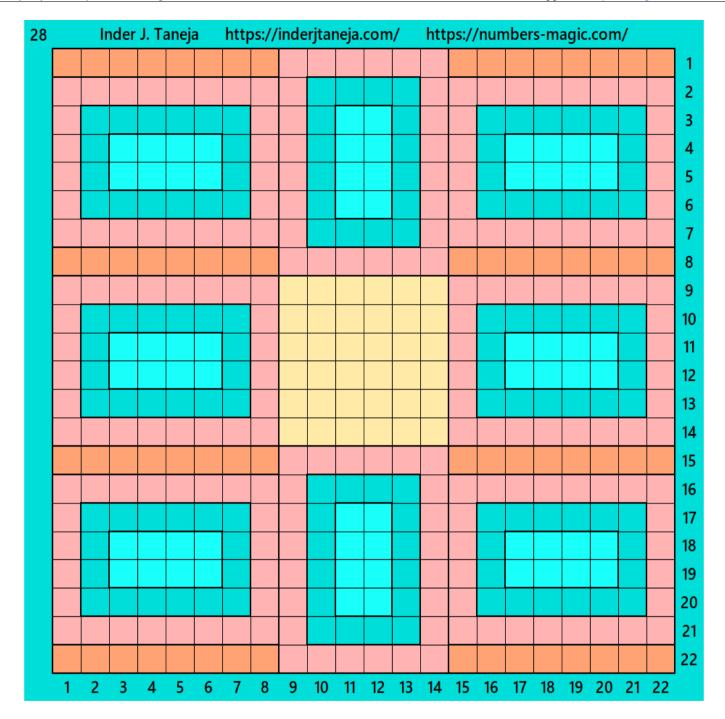
Let's consider an external border, where there are 4 magic squares of order 8 at the corners. Let's make an external border by putting BMR of order  $6 \times 8$  in each row and column. In the

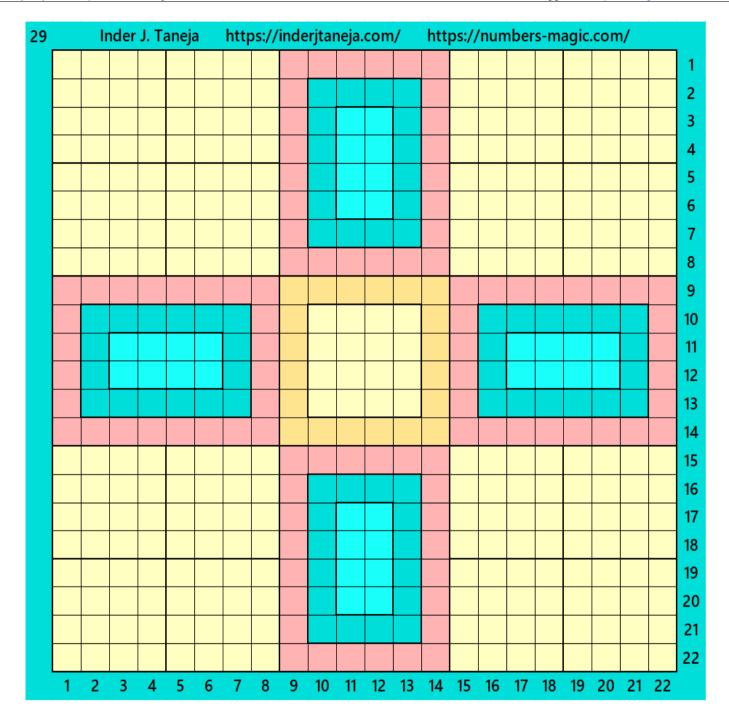
middle we are left with blocks of order 6. Writing middle block of order 6 and different types of magic squares of order 8, we get magic squares of order 22. See below few examples:

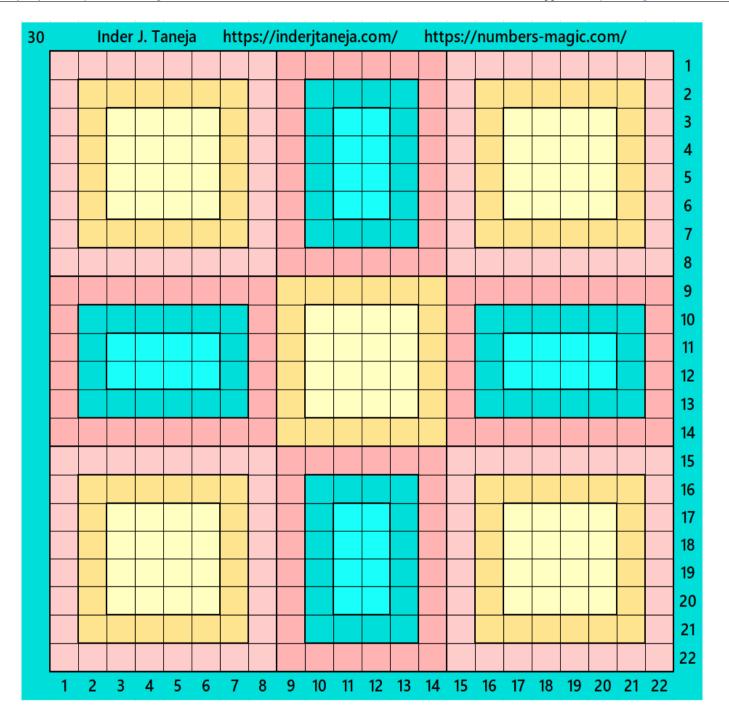


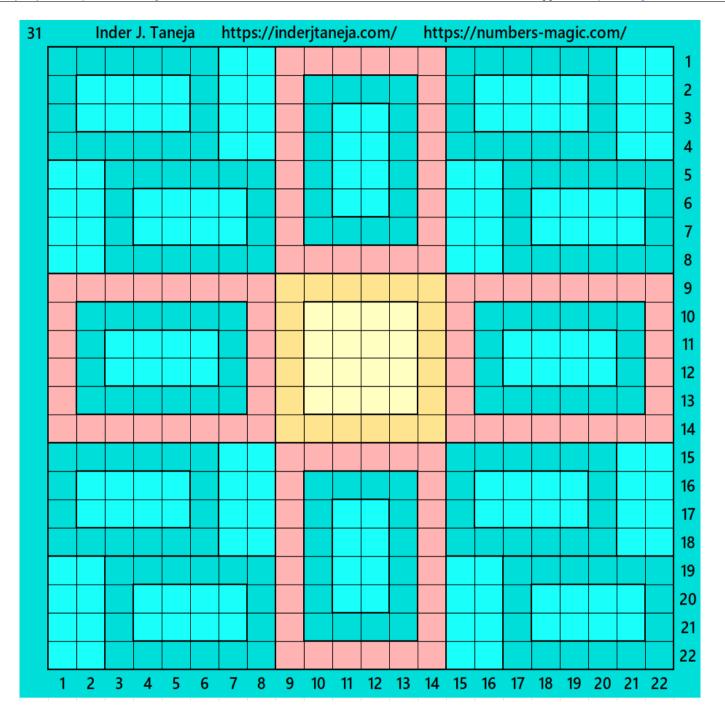


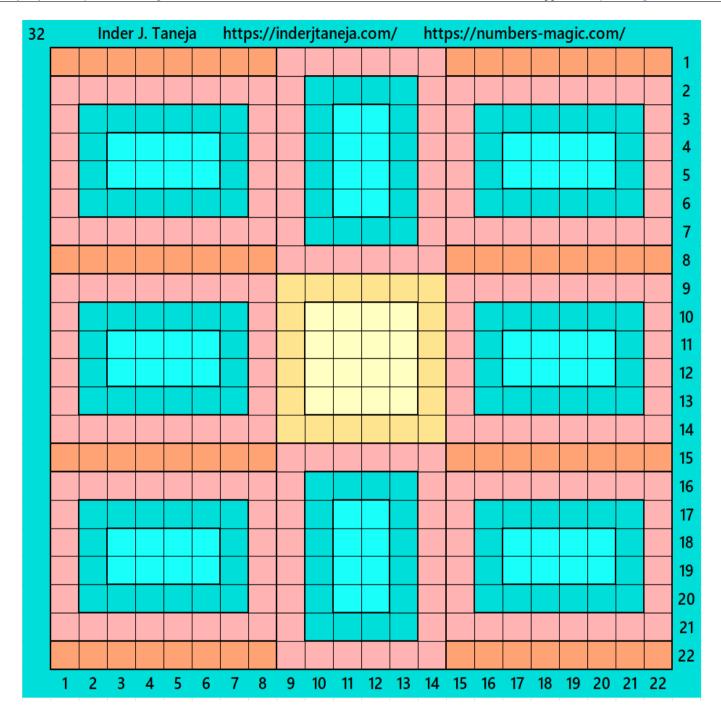


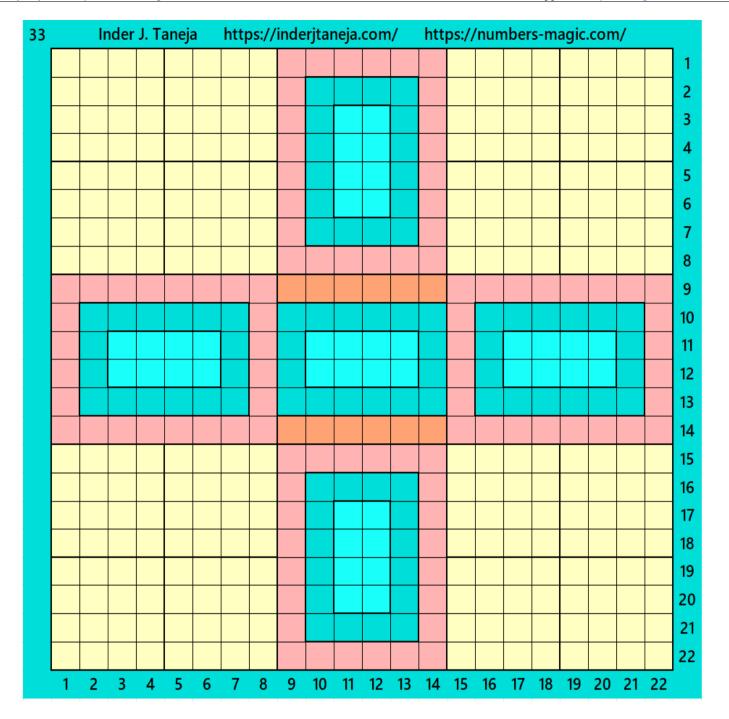


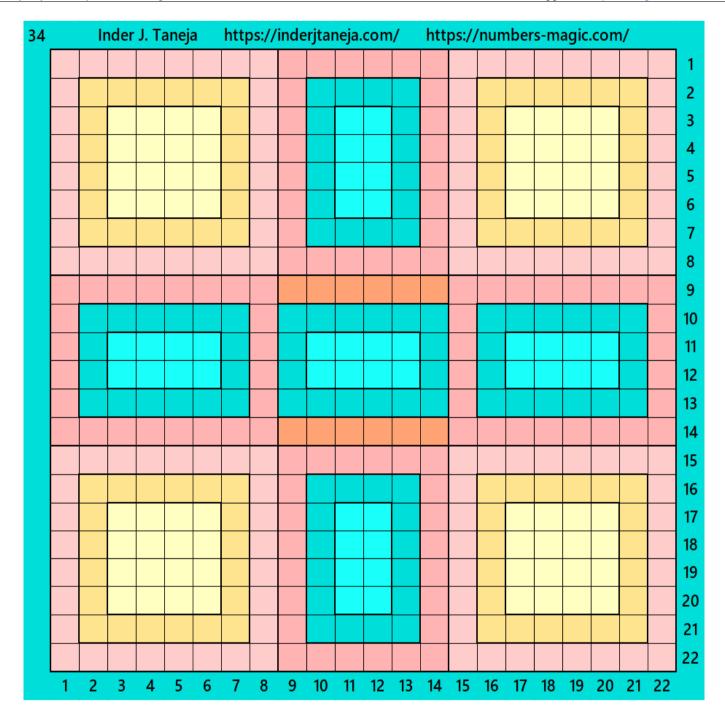


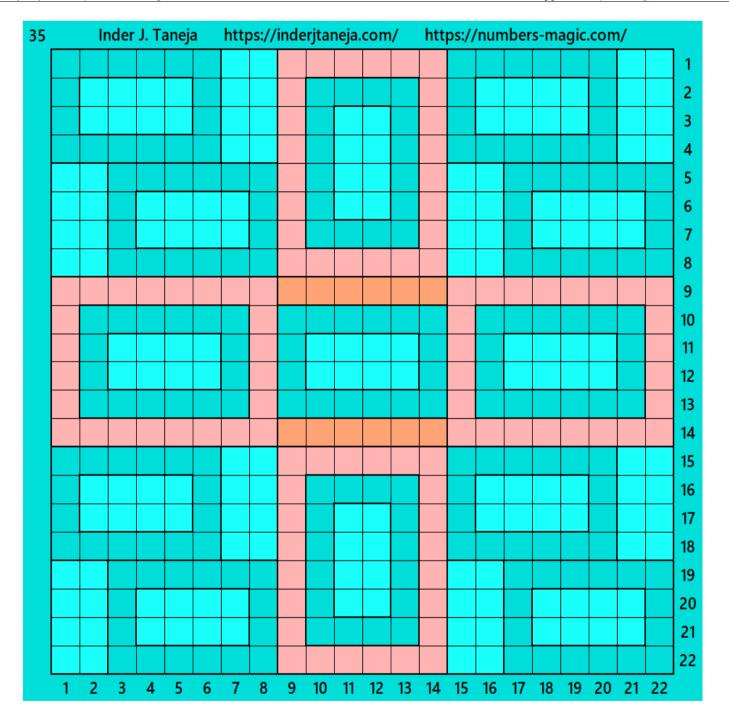


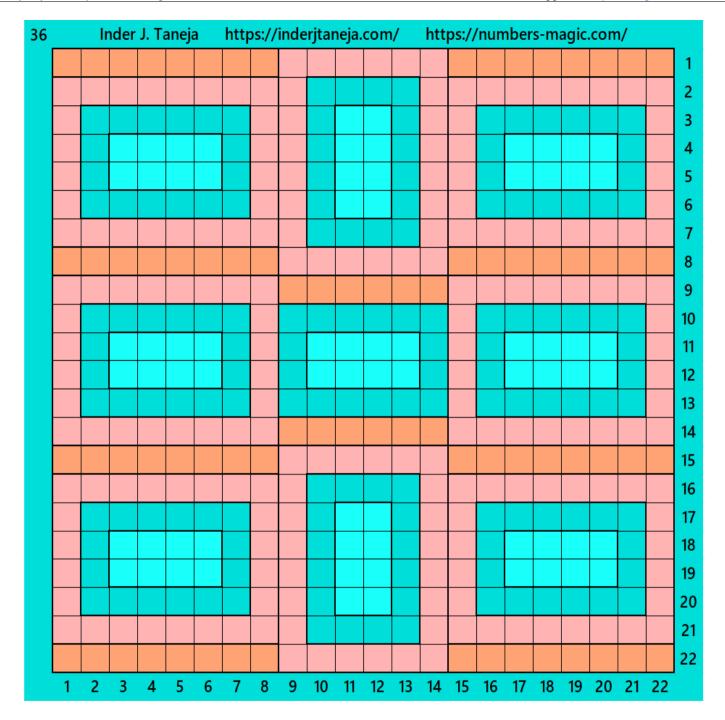








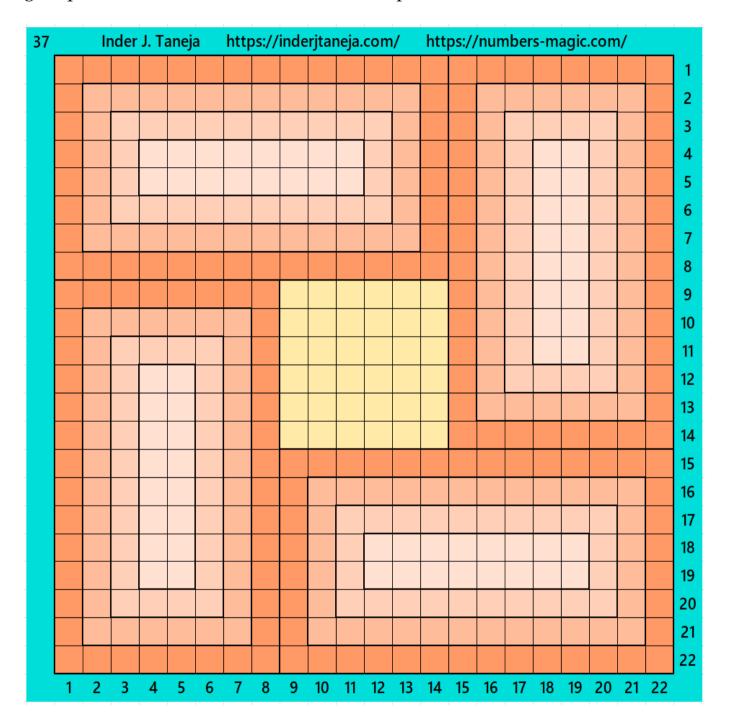


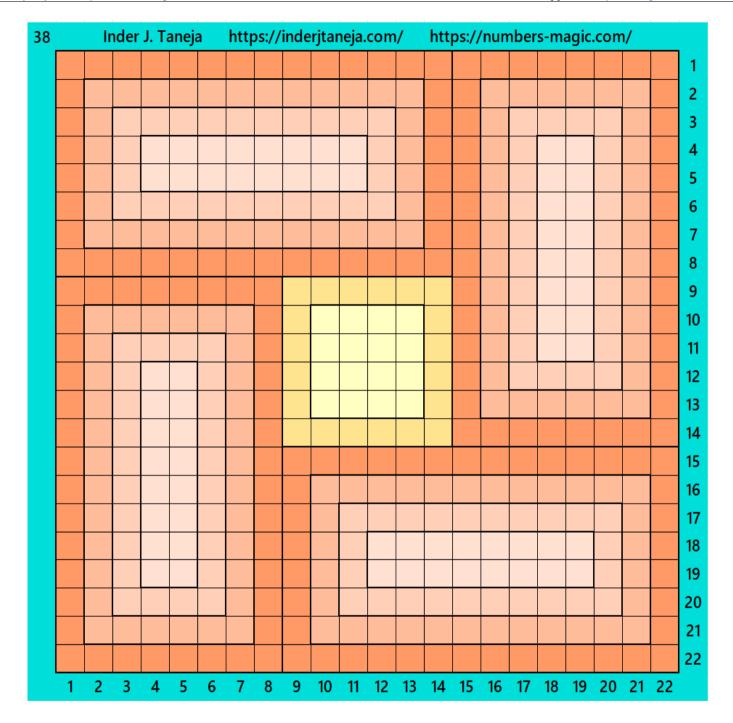


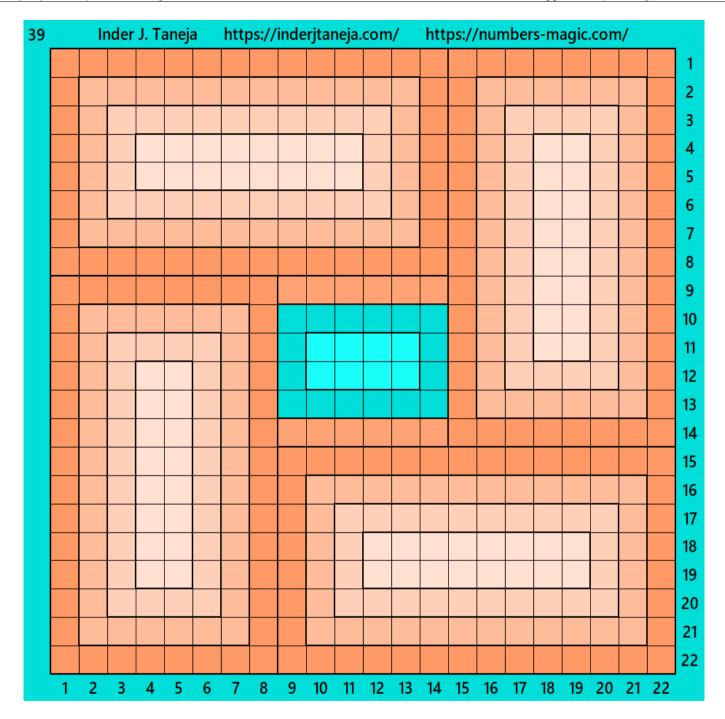
#### 2.8 Closed Border of Order 8

Let's consider an external border, where there are 4 BMR's of order  $8 \times 14$ . Putting them in rows and columns, we get a closed border of order 8. In the middle we are left with blocks of

order 6. Writing middle block of order 6 and different types of magic squares of order 8, we get magic squares of order 22. See below few examples:

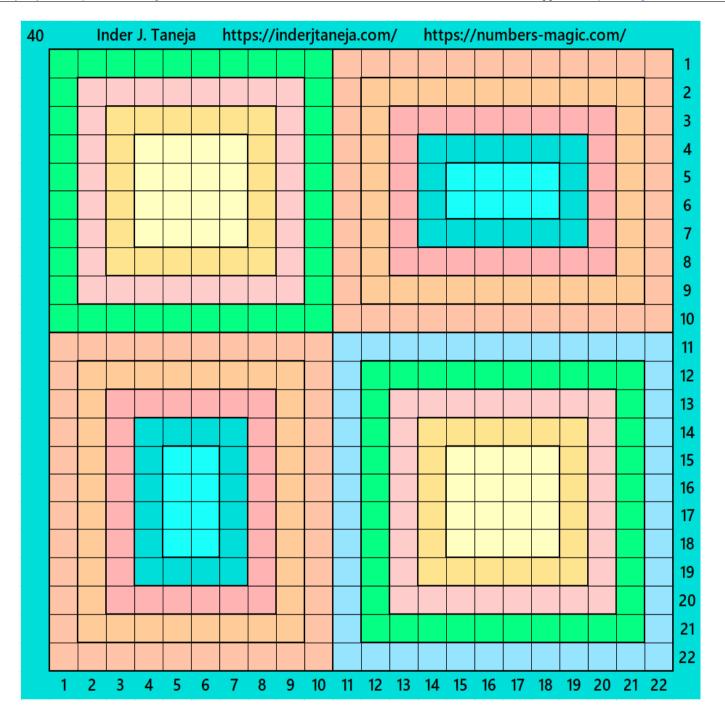


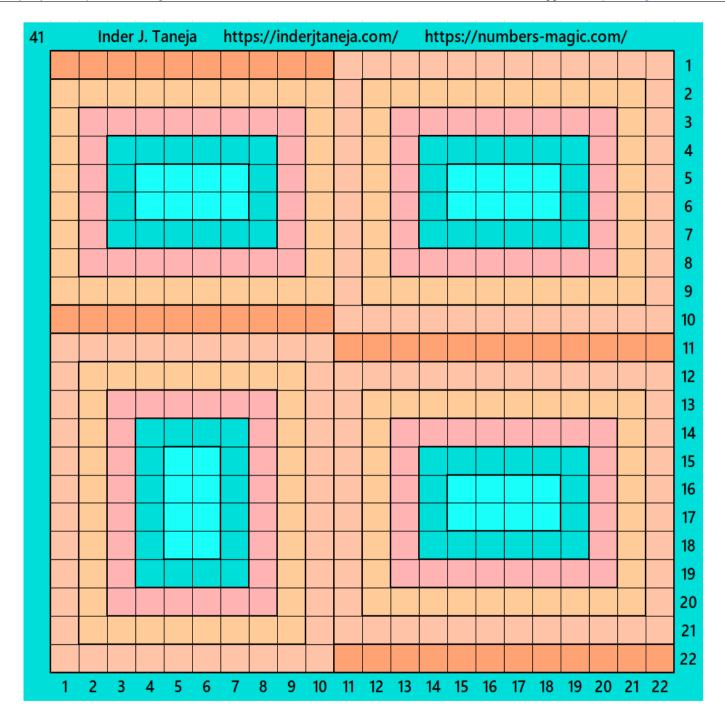


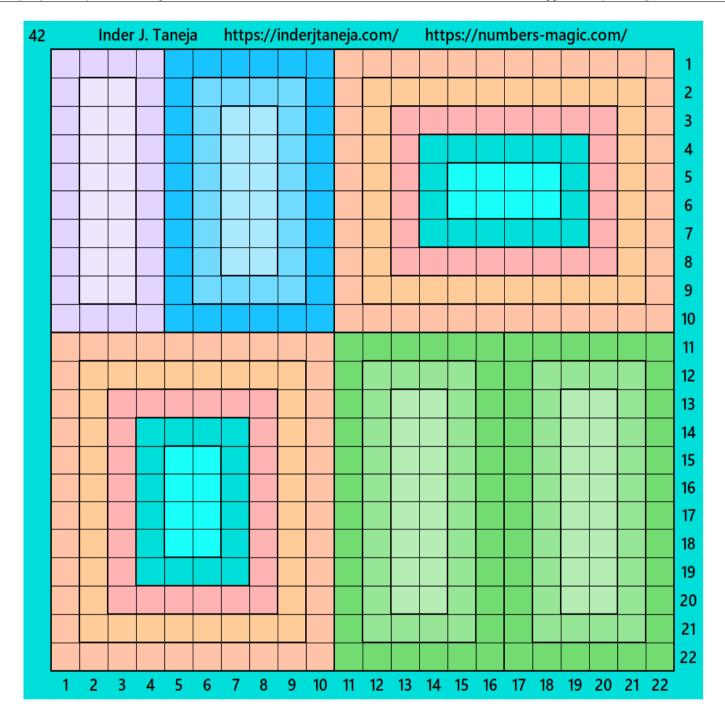


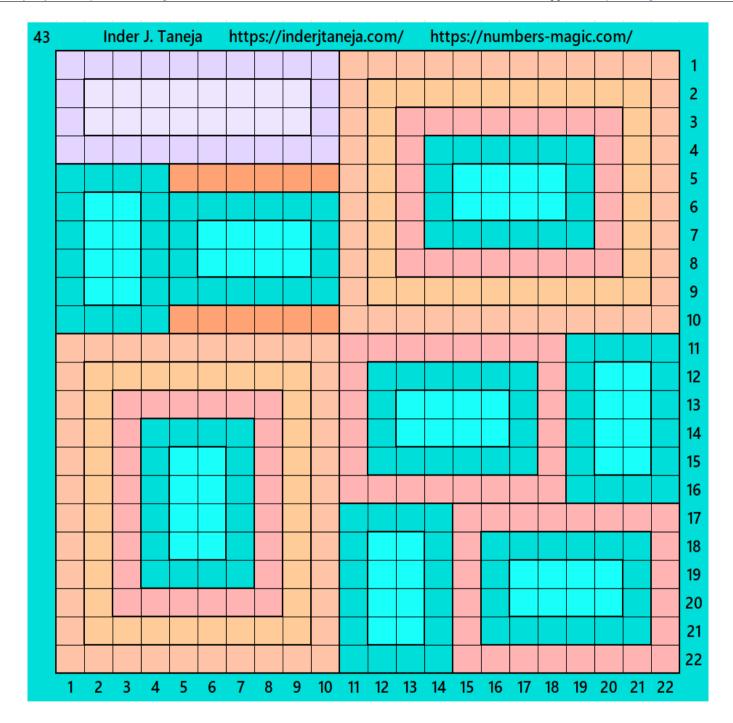
## 2.9 Blocks of Orderw 10, 12 and BMR's of Order $10 \times 12$

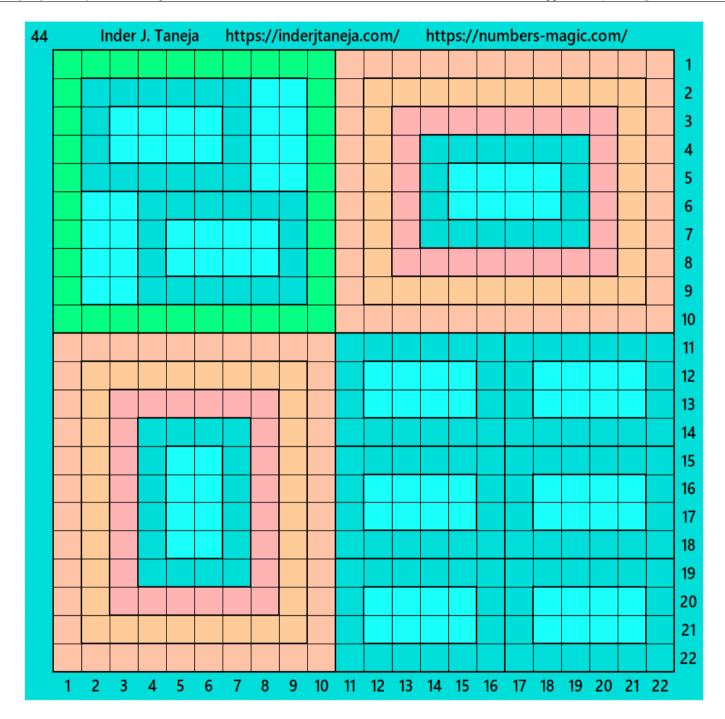
Magic squares of order 10 and 12 with two BMR's of order  $10 \times 12$  lead us to very interesting magic squares of order 22. See below few examples:

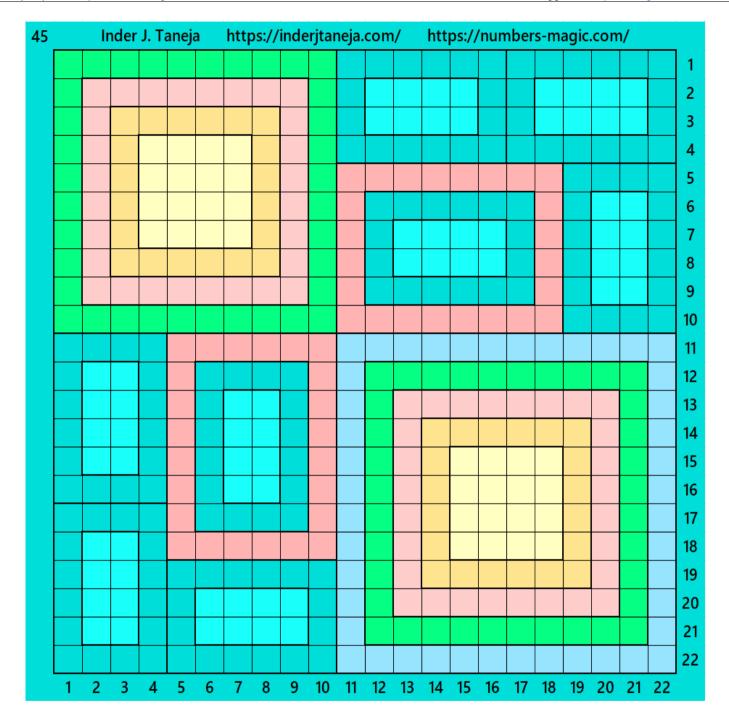


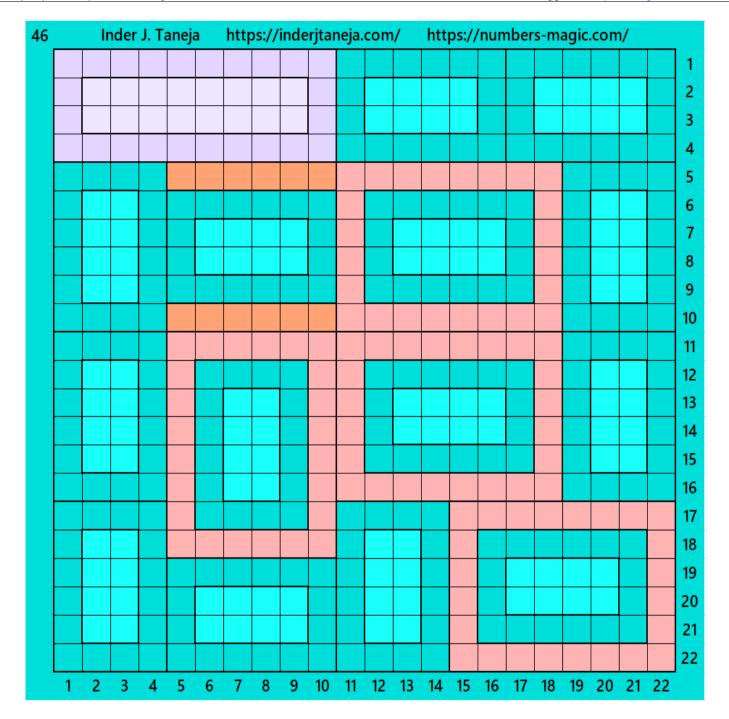


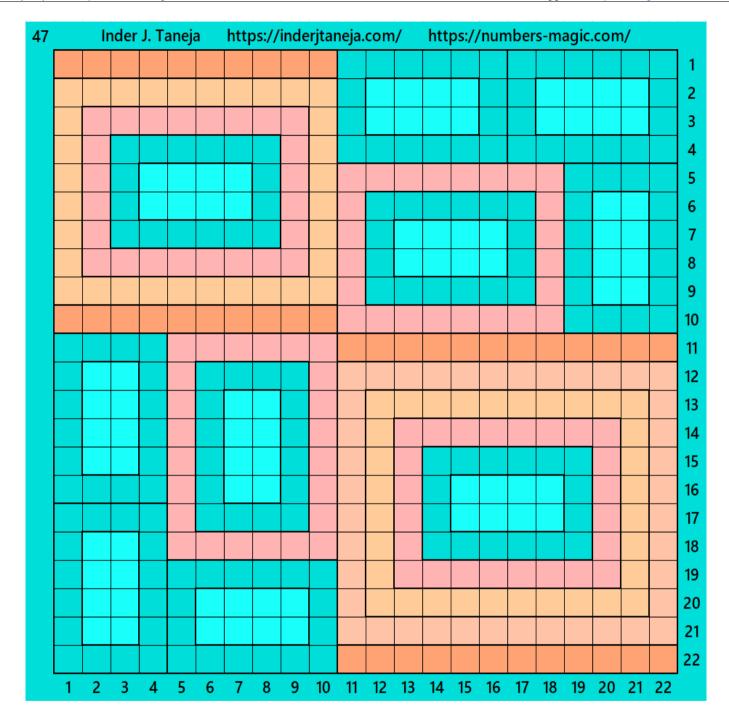


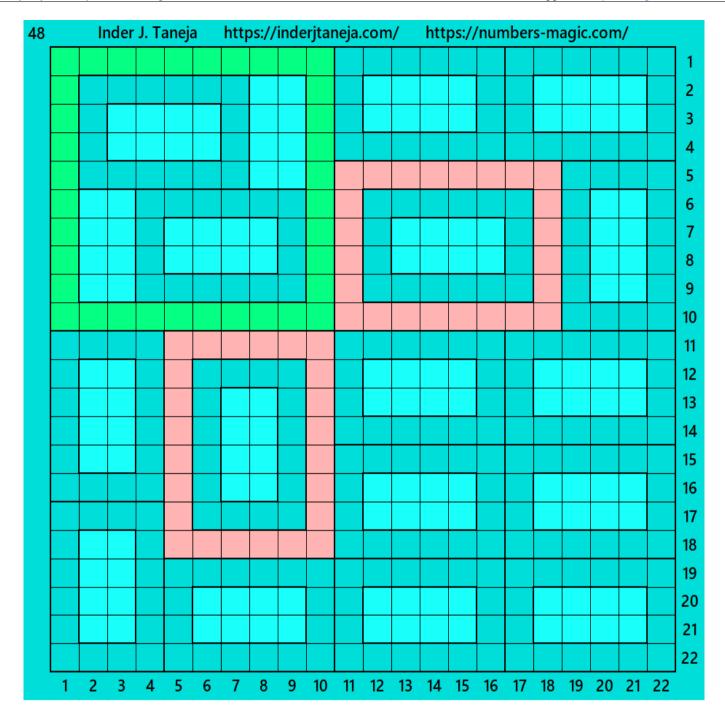


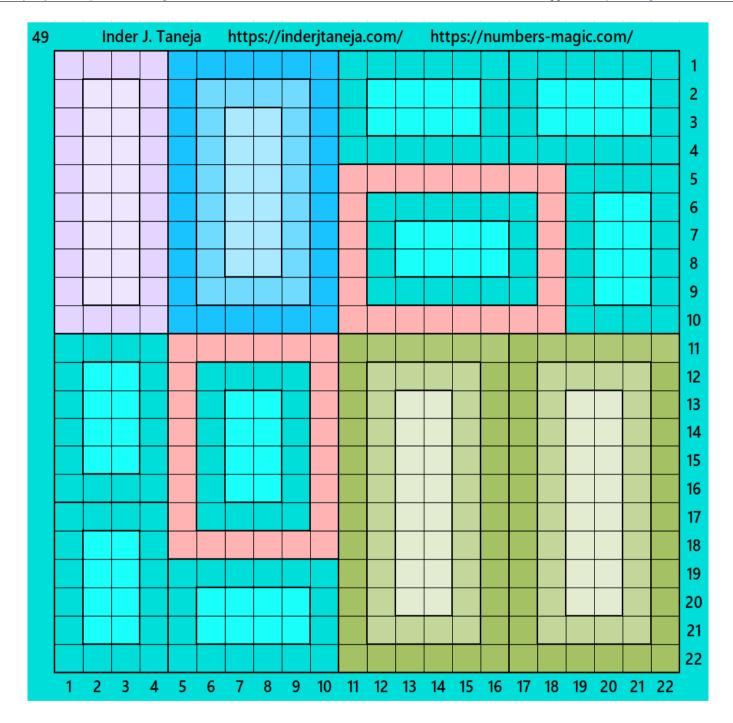












# 3 Appendix

Below are tables giving the existence of **bordered magic rectangles** for **half-sequential** numbers.

Order of Magic Square	Bordered Magic Rectangles
6	$4 \times 6$
8	$6 \times 8$
10	$4 \times 10, 8 \times 10$
12	6 × 12, 10 × 12
14	$4 \times 14$ , $8 \times 14$ , $12 \times 14$
16	$6 \times 16, 10 \times 16, 14 \times 16$
18	$4 \times 18$ , $8 \times 18$ , $12 \times 18$
20	$6 \times 20, 10 \times 20, 14 \times 20, 18 \times 20$
22	$4 \times 22$ , $8 \times 22$ , $12 \times 22$ ,
	$16 \times 22, 20 \times 22$
24	$6 \times 24, 10 \times 24, 14 \times 24,$
	$18 \times 24$ , $22 \times 24$
26	$4 \times 26$ , $8 \times 26$ , $12 \times 26$ ,
	$16\times26,20\times26,24\times26$
28	$6\times28, 10\times28, 14\times28,$
	$18\times28, 22\times28, 26\times28$
30	$4 \times 30, 8 \times 30, 12 \times 30, 16 \times 30,$
	$20 \times 30, 24 \times 30, 28 \times 30$
32	$6 \times 32, 10 \times 32, 14 \times 32, 18 \times 32,$
	$22 \times 32, 26 \times 32, 30 \times 32$
34	$4 \times 34, 8 \times 34, 12 \times 34, 16 \times 34,$
	$20 \times 34, 24 \times 34, 28 \times 34, 32 \times 34$

Order of Magic Square	Bordered Magic Rectangles
36	$6 \times 36, 10 \times 36, 14 \times 36, 18 \times 36,$
	$22 \times 36, 26 \times 36, 30 \times 36, 34 \times 36$
38	$4 \times 38, 8 \times 38, 12 \times 38, 16 \times 38, 20 \times 38,$
	$24 \times 38, 28 \times 38, 32 \times 38, 36 \times 38$
40	$6 \times 40, 10 \times 40, 14 \times 40, 18 \times 40, 22 \times 40,$
	$26 \times 40, 30 \times 40, 34 \times 40, 38 \times 40$
42	$4 \times 42, 8 \times 42, 12 \times 42, 16 \times 42, 20 \times 42,$
	$24 \times 42, 28 \times 42, 32 \times 42, 36 \times 42, 40 \times 42$
44	$6 \times 44, 10 \times 44, 14 \times 44, 18 \times 44, 22 \times 44, 26 \times 44,$
	$30 \times 44, 34 \times 44, 38 \times 44, 42 \times 44$
46	$4 \times 46, 8 \times 46, 12 \times 46, 16 \times 46, 20 \times 46, 24 \times 46,$
	$28 \times 46, 32 \times 46, 36 \times 46, 40 \times 46, 44 \times 46$
48	$6 \times 48, 10 \times 48, 14 \times 48, 18 \times 48, 22 \times 48, 26 \times 48,$
	$30 \times 48, 34 \times 48, 38 \times 48, 42 \times 48, 46 \times 48$
50	$4 \times 50, 8 \times 50, 12 \times 50, 16 \times 50, 20 \times 50, 24 \times 50,$
	$28 \times 50, 32 \times 50, 36 \times 50, 40 \times 50, 44 \times 50, 48 \times 50$

# 4 Author's Contribution to Magic Squares and Recreation Numbers

For author's contribution to **magic squares** and **recreation numbers** please see the links below:

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