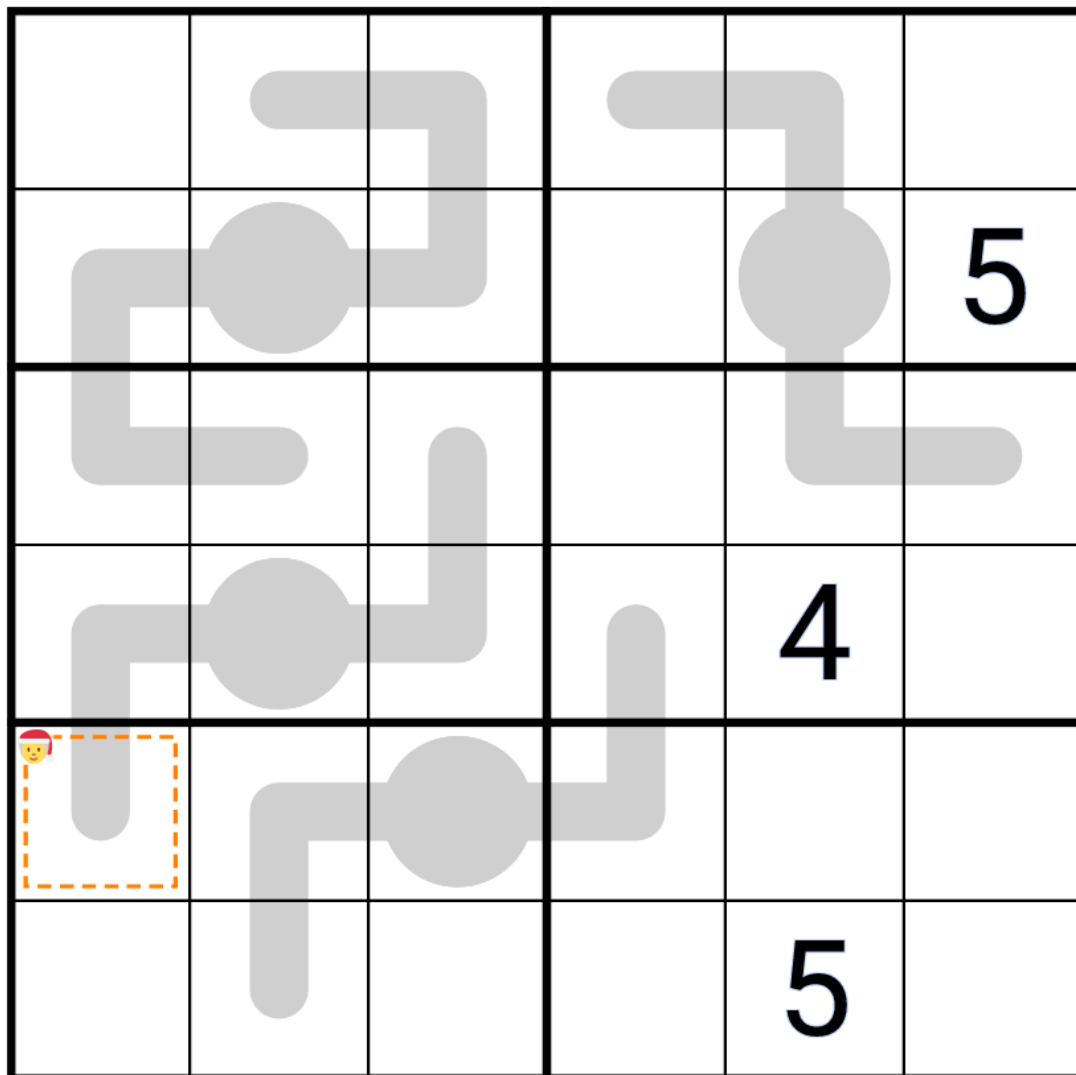


## Day 22

You're not hungry. This is something which occurs to you as you realise you must have been here talking with your friend for at least a day, teaching them the stories of your stuffed animals and playing together. (Yes, playing together; you can hardly believe it yourself but there you are, playing with an alien and a stuffed elephant.) During your games you learn that the creature is trying to get home. It is here with several of its kind, though the others are more afraid of you and are busy trying to repair their ship. Your friend tells you that they have been given the very important task of plotting the route back to their home star system, which is very far away. They have been observing you as you solved problems and survived in the store, and they believe that you might be able to help.

Proudly they indicate the strange abacus, and next to it is the paper on which you wrote the digits and drew the dots. Excitedly they tell you that they believe together you can work things out and plot a route on their... [Galactic Map](#).



Digits along thermometers must strictly increase from the bulb toward the tips.