Bean Count (Hard)

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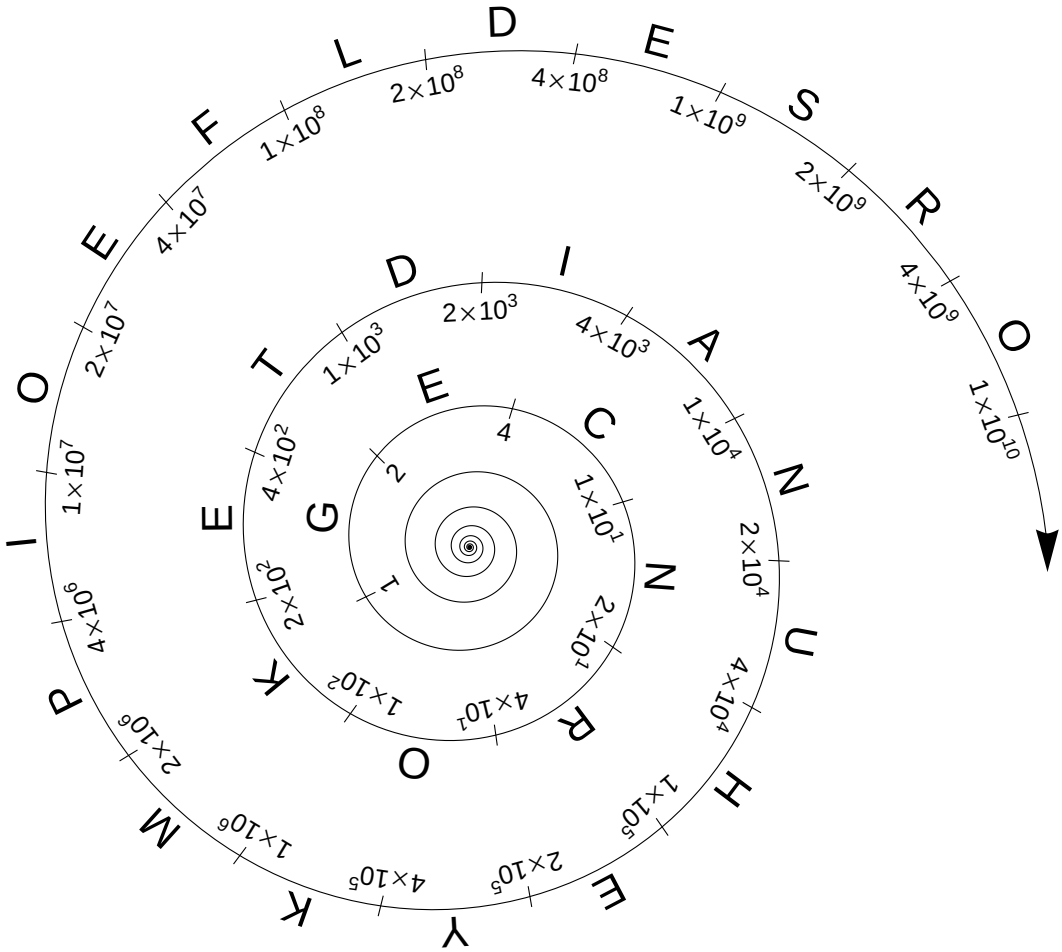
Lucas tells us that he shall conceal no more causes of death for us. I think he has seen too much. What are we to do now? We cannot hope to complete our work with no more lives lost. Richard and I argued today. He thinks that we are close enough to have no worries; we should continue on and so be it if there are a thousand houses festooned with entrails. This is madness.

How many people have died for this? Can I even take a guess? There are seven of us left, and if we've caused, directly or indirectly, one person to die per week each … I cannot … I cannot hold it all in my head anymore.

(As usual, electronic devices are off-limits, but feel free to consult with friendly passersby!)

- World population in 1900 (people)
- Footprint of Coolidge Corner Trader Joe's (feet squared)
- Length of path traced out during "The Great Work Begins" (feet)
- Food consumed by average American (pounds per day)
- Growth rate of human scalp hair (millimeters per year)
- Distance between the two rails of the Green Line (micrometers)
- Power output an average laborer can sustain over an eight hour day (watts)
- Average time a current US senator has been in office (years)
- Density of the most common type of concrete (pounds per pint)
- New books published in the United States (titles per year)