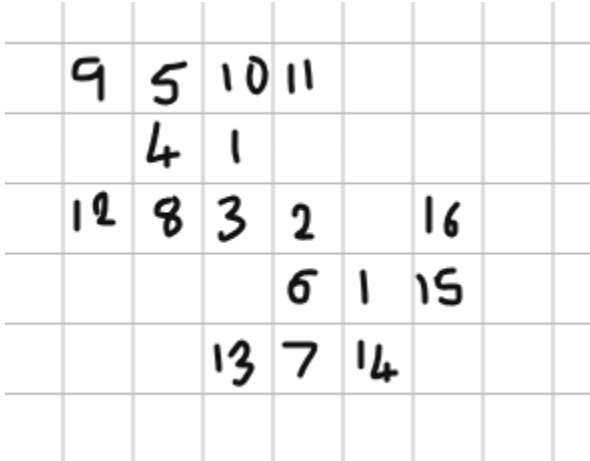


n starting 1s	2	3	4	5	6	7
Maximum	16	28	38	49	60	No one knows

Here is the solution for starting with two ones:



For the lower bound, we can improve on  $3n-3$  with the following diagram which shows the maximum for  $n$  stones must be at least  $5n-4$

