Hands On Activity Lesson 9: Assembly

Preparation Before Class Items Needed:

- 3D printed **base** structures
 - CAD of all cubes can be obtained through this link <u>https://cad.onshape.com/documents/f1890620a28771a22cfc505d/w/199c0</u> <u>0febb96f59b1d5bcd87/e/6d3335aed6bdd1b258fbd347</u>
- <u>Soma Cubes</u>, one set per group.





Part 1:

- Divide students into groups (no more than 4 students per group)
- Distribute the **base** structures at random so that each group receives 2-3 base structures.
 - Suggested base combinations: (2, 7, 16), (3, 6, 18), (4, 13, 17), (5, 10, 12), (8, 9, 15)
- Distribute one soma cube set (7 unique pieces) to each group.
- Have the students complete each of their base structures using the 7 soma cube pieces to create a 3x3x3 cube.
- Many times there can be more than one solution to the problem.

Part 2: Team to complete this challenge first is the winner

- Distribute **base** structures **11, 12,** and **21** and **one soma cube set** to each group.
- Students must work together to find the way in which all 3 base assembly structures can be completed without leaving any empty spaces and using only one soma cube set.
- There is only one solution to this problem.