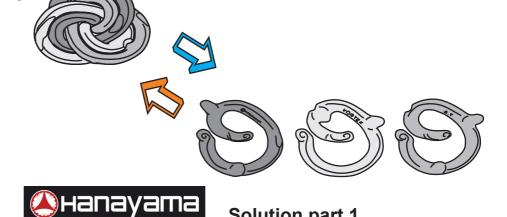


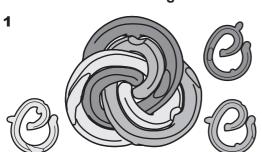
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Completed puzzle and piece configuration (viewed from the front)



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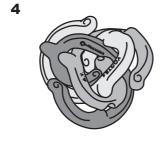
Solution part 1

Completed puzzle and piece configuration (viewed from the back)



Overview:

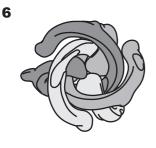
The 3 pieces separate from eachother when their parts crossingover onto the other pieces move towards the bottom ends of the pieces



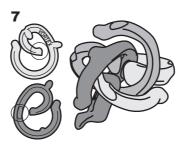
Loosen the bundle by shifting each of the 3 pieces.



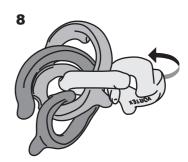
The 3 pieces viewed from the front



As you shift the pieces, the bundle will make a clanking sound and move.



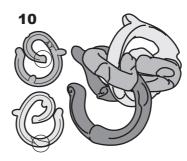
Join the top end of the "VORTEX" piece to the hollow of the "HANAYAMA" piece.



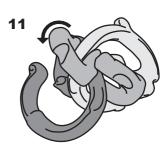
The top end of the "VORTEX" piece is clear of the bundle.



When the top end of the "VORTEX" piece is clear of the bundle, join the top end of the "AY" piece to the hollow of the "VORTEX" piece.



Clear away the top end of the "AY" piece from the hollow of the "VORTEX" piece.



Now, move the "HANAYAMA" piece to where it isn't in the way.

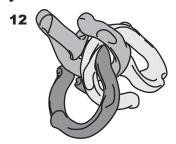
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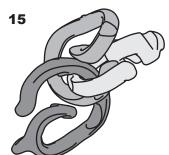
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The top end of the "AY" piece is clear of the bundle. Next, prepare to join the top end of the "HANAYAMA" piece to the hollow of the "AY" piece.



The top end of the "HANAYAMA" piece is clear of the bundle

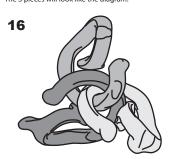


The trick here is to join the top end of the "AY" piece to the hollow of the "VORTEX".

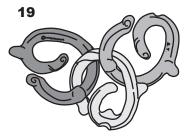
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The 3 pieces will look like the diagram.

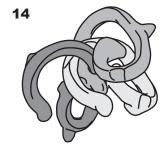


The tails of the 3 pieces willthen look like they are tangled together.

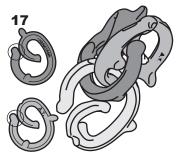


When the "AY" piece and the "HANAYAMA" piece come apart, the 3 pieces will look like they are connected in a chain as in the diagram.

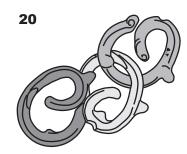
Solution part 2



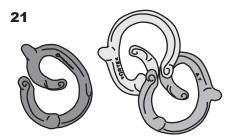
The top end of the "HANAYAMA" piece is clear of the "AY" piece.



Join the bottom ends of the "HANAYAMA" piece and the "AY" piece and clear them from the bundle.



All that is left to do is to remove each piece starting with the "HANAYAMA" piece.



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Once the "AY" piece and the "HANAYAMA" piece are removed, all 3 pieces can be separated.