Face with Spiral Eyes
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I. Identification

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<th>Proposed Unicode and CLDR name</th>
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<td><img src="image" alt="Face with Spiral Eyes" /></td>
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<td>oh no, trouble, dizzy, hypnotized, spiral, woa, yikes</td>
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Note: This character is being proposed to address vendor interoperability. See below, section II A.

II. Images

72px: 🙅‍♂️ 18px: 😨

License
We certify that the images have appropriate licenses for use by the UTC.

III. Sort location

Face-unwell

II. Selection factors — Inclusion

A. Compatibility
Yes, this emoji is being proposed to resolve vendor interoperability. In regards to the “dizzy face emoji”, four emoji fonts render it with spirals, four render it with “X’s”.

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The emoji subcommittee recommends vendors with “Spiral eye” designs move that design to this new code point.
B. Expected use

1. Frequency

The data is well below median threshold; however, usage is expected to be reasonably high given what we understand about the existing dizzy face emoji.

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<td>49,600</td>
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<td>dizzy-face</td>
<td>62,300,000</td>
<td>451,000</td>
<td>2,970,000</td>
<td>See below</td>
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<td>hypnosis</td>
<td>97,800,000</td>
<td>29,800,000</td>
<td>43,400,000</td>
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### Search term Examples

- **spiral eyes**
  - Google Search: About 63,900,000 results
  - Bing Search: About 1,550,000 results
  - Google Video Search: About 49,600 results

- **dizzy-face**
  - Google Search: About 44,100,000 results
  - Bing Search: About 2,970,000 results
  - Google Video Search: About 451,000 results

- **hypnosis**
  - Google Search: About 97,900,000 results
  - Bing Search: About 43,400,000 results
  - Google Video Search: About 29,800,000 results
2. Multiple usages
See CLDR keywords. This expression can convey a heightened or hyperbolic sense of feelings like dizziness, surprise, disbelief, shock, dizziness, hypnosis, etc.

3. Use in sequences
n/a

4. Breaking new ground
n/a

C. Image distinctiveness
These images are distinctive from existing emoji.

D. Completeness
Changing existing current codepoint designs does not resolve the need for two different emojis. So while this emoji will also resolve inconsistent implementations it will also provide vendors with two very distinct expressions. See section III. F “Overly Specific” for more details.

1. 😨 “dead” or “knocked-out”
2. 😡 “dizzy” or “hypnotized”

E. Frequently requested
Yes, resolving this inconsistency is frequently requested and the different renderings have not gone unnoticed on social media.
III. Selection factors — Exclusion

F. Overly specific

No. This design is iconic of how “dizziness” is cartoonishly expressed online in kaomoji and other visual pop-culture. Due to backwards compatibility reasons we cannot change the existing designated “dizzy face” emoji but we can add one with spiral eyes to disambiguate “x-eyes” from “spiral-eyes”.

- Emoticons
  - “x_x” as defined in Urban Dictionary
    - Letters forming a face that has “x” eyes. This is often used in animes and some cartoons, in which a character’s eyes turn into “x”’s signifying embarrassment, fright, shock, or little hope.
    - Used as an emoticon alternative, a face representing death or sleeping.
  - Popular Kaomoji
    - X-Eyes
      - (x_x) (תחמה) (xωx) \ (x_x) (תחמה) (x_x)
      - (xωx) (x_x# spam Δ spam t|x`Ⅱ`x |9 (= x`ε`x =)
        (xωx) Ⅱ (x_x ; ((( (spam, spam) ) x_x)
    - Spiral-eyes
      - わ (omega) (ωωωωω, ωωωωω) (ωωωωω) (ωωωωω) (ωωωωω) (ωωωωω)
      - (ωωωωω) (ωωωωω) (ωωωωω) (ωωωωω) (ωωωωω) etc
- Anime/Manga/Comics
  - (left to right) Naruto, Aikatsu!, Fushigiboshi no Futagohime, Pokemon

Note: These same comics/manga/tv shows also employ the dizzy face for different scenarios:

G. Open-ended

No, this is not part of a set of similar items.

H. Already representable

As previously noted, there are inconsistencies with implementation of the existing “Dizzy Face”. This proposal formally recognizes both “dizzy” and “x’s for eyes” as distinct expressions.

I. Logos, brands, UI icons, signage, specific people, deities
Not applicable. There are no logos, brands, signage or otherwise among the proposed characters.

J. Transient
   Not applicable.

K. Faulty comparison
   Justification for encoding the proposed emoji does not depend on analogy with other emoji that were encoded only for compatibility reasons.

L. Exact Images
   An exact image is not required.