

## Unit 9 Introduction

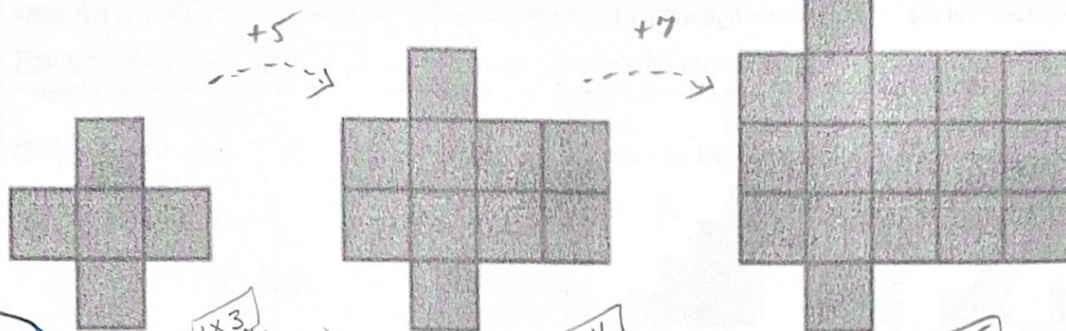
Name KeyRecursive Rule

Figure 1  $\rightarrow$   $1 \times 3$  middle  
+ 2 (top/bottom)  
= 5 squares

Figure 2  $\rightarrow$   $2 \times 4$  middle  
+ 2  
= 10 squares

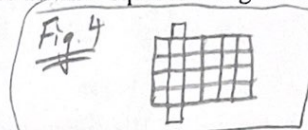
Figure 3  $\rightarrow$   $3 \times 5$  middle  
+ 2  
= 17 squares

Fig. 4  $\rightarrow$   $4 \times 6$  middle  
+ 2  
= 26 squares

Explicit RuleCan figure out any term!

1. How do you see the pattern growing? Use colors to show where you see the new squares being added.

The middle section is growing each time.



2. Draw Figure 4. How many small squares would be in Figure 4? In Figure 5?

Fig. 4  $\rightarrow$   $4 \times 6$  middle section + 2 (top/bottom) =  $24 + 2 = 26$

Fig. 5  $\rightarrow$   $5 \times 7$  middle + 2 (top/bottom) =  $35 + 2 = 37$

3. How many small squares would be in Figure 43? Describe what it would look like.

Fig. 43  $\rightarrow$   $43 \times 45$  middle + 2 (top/bottom) =  $1935 + 2 = 1937$

★ Note: The Recursive Rule of add 5, then add 7, then add 9 would be really hard to apply here!

4. How many small squares would be in Figure 0? What would it look like?

$\rightarrow$   $0 \times 2$  middle section + 2 =  $0 + 2 = 2$   
No middle!



5. Can you come up with a rule for how many small squares would be in Figure  $n$ ?

(Explicit Rule  
(can find any term))

$\rightarrow n \times (n+2) + 2$

$\rightarrow n(n+2) + 2$



## Lesson 9.1—Using Sequences and Series to Describe Patterns

$a_n$  gives a sequence where  $n$  is the term number and the output of  $a_n$  gives the term value.

**Explicit** rules do NOT depend on a previous term. The rule is in terms of  $n$ .

Ex:  $a_n = n^2 + 2 \rightarrow a_1 = 1^2 + 2 = 3, a_2 = 2^2 + 2 = 6, a_3 = 3^2 + 2 = 11, a_4 = 4^2 + 2 = 18$

**Recursive** rules DO depend on a previous term. The rule always has two parts.

Ex:  $a_1 = 3$   
 $a_n = a_{n-1} + 2$  "previous term"  
 $a_1 = 3 \rightarrow a_2 = a_1 + 2 = 3 + 2 = 5 \rightarrow a_3 = a_2 + 2 = 5 + 2 = 7 \rightarrow a_4 = a_3 + 2 = 7 + 2 = 9$

A **series** is the sum of the terms of a sequence

$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5$   
 Find all terms for  $a_1$  to  $a_5$  & ADD

Ex.  $\sum_{i=1}^3 2i + 5 = 2 \cdot 1 + 5 + 2 \cdot 2 + 5 + 2 \cdot 3 + 5 = 7 + 9 + 11 = 27$

1. Write the first 4 terms of each sequence, given the following **explicit rules**:

a.  $a_n = n^2 + 2$

see above

b.  $a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$

$a_1 = \frac{(-1)^1}{1} = -1, a_2 = \frac{(-1)^2}{2} = \frac{1}{2}, a_3 = \frac{(-1)^3}{3} = -\frac{1}{3}, a_4 = \frac{(-1)^4}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$

2. Find  $a_7$ . Then write an explicit rule for  $a_n$ .

a. 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, ... 21

Multiples of 3!

$a_n = 3n$

b.  $\frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{4}, 1, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{7}, \dots$

$a_n = \frac{5}{n+1}$

3. Write the first 4 terms of the sequence, given this **recursive rule**:

$a_1 = 4$   
 $a_n = a_{n-1} + 10$   
 previous term

$a_1 = 4, a_2 = 4 + 10 = 14, a_3 = 14 + 10 = 24, a_4 = 24 + 10 = 34$

4. Write a recursive rule for the  $a_n$  term:

25, 18, 11, 4, -3...

$a_1 = 25$   
 $a_n = a_{n-1} - 7$

5. Evaluate.

$\sum_{i=1}^5 3i - 1 = 3 \cdot 1 - 1 + 3 \cdot 2 - 1 + 3 \cdot 3 - 1 + 3 \cdot 4 - 1 + 3 \cdot 5 - 1$   
 $= 2 + 5 + 8 + 11 + 14$   
 SUM  $= 40$

6. How many small squares will be in figure 43?



Figure 1

$1 \times 2 = 2$

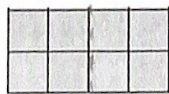


Figure 2

$2 \times 4 = 8$

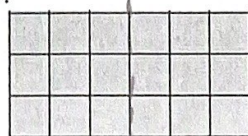


Figure 3

$3 \times 6 = 18$

Rule:

$a_n = n \times 2n$

$a_n = 2n^2$

$a_{43} = 2 \cdot 43^2$

$a_{43} = 3698$