

## Warm-Up

odd

Determine the next three terms. Explain your reasoning.

4, 9, 19, 39, 79, ...

1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ...

6, 13, 27, 55, ...

## Warm-Up

even

Determine the next three terms. Explain your reasoning.

100, 99, 97, 94, 90, ...

1, -8, 27, -64, 125, ...

3, 5, 10, 12, 24, 26, 52, ...

**Sequence** - ordered list of numbers

**Term** - position of a number in a sequence

- subscripts are used to identify positions

$t_1$  is the first term

$t_2$  is the second term

$t_n$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term  $\longrightarrow$  general term

$n \in \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

**Finite Sequence** - has a set number of terms

**Infinite Sequence** - doesn't have a set number of terms

- no last term

### Create a Formula

$\overset{+6}{\curvearrowright} \overset{+6}{\curvearrowright} \overset{+6}{\curvearrowright} \overset{+6}{\curvearrowright} \quad n \in \mathbb{I}$   
**2, 8, 14, .....**    20, 26, 32, .....,  $t_n$   
 $t_1, t_2, t_3$              $t_4, t_5, t_6$

"term"

$$t_6 = t_5 + 6$$

$$t_n = t_{n-1} + 6, t_1 = 2$$

so if  $n = 10$ , then  $n \in \mathbb{I}, n > 1$

$$t_{10} = t_{10-1} + 6$$

$$t_{10} = t_9 + 6 \quad !!$$

Starting value?

A formula relating the general term of a sequence to the **previous term** is called the **RECURSIVE FORMULA**

### Find the Recursive Formula:

$\overset{-4}{\curvearrowright} \overset{-4}{\curvearrowright}$   
**15, 11, 7, .....**                      Starting value?

$$t_n = t_{n-1} - 4, t_1 = 15$$

$$n \in \mathbb{I}, n > 1$$

Find  $t_{10}$ ?

$t_{10} = t_9 - 4$ ,  $\therefore$  need  $t_9$ !  
 $t_9 = t_8 - 4$ ,  $\therefore$  need  $t_8$   
 "compute" backwards and  $t_{10} = -21$

Let's consider this as a Function.

$n$	$t$
1	15
2	11
3	7

$> -4$   
 $> -4$

$$y = mx + b$$

when,  $x = 10 \Rightarrow$

$$y = -4x + 19$$

$$-4(10) + 19$$

$$-40 + 19$$

$$y = -21$$

**Find the Recursive Formula:**

$6, 12, 24, 48, \dots$  Starting value?  
 $t_1 \quad t_2 \quad t_3 \quad t_4 \quad \dots \quad t_n$

$$t_n = 2 \cdot t_{n-1}, t_1 = 6$$

$$n \in \mathbb{I}, n > 1$$

**What is the pattern?**

**What are the next four numbers ?**

**1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21**

$t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6, t_7, t_8, t_9$

Create a formula ...

Starting value?

$$t_9 = 21 + 13$$

$$= 34$$

$$t_9 = t_8 + t_7$$

$$t_n = t_{n-1} + t_{n-2}$$

$$t_1 = 1 \quad t_2 = 1$$

$$n \in \mathbb{I}, n \geq 3$$

At the boards ...  
Create the Recursive formula

**2, 5, 8, 11, ...**

$$t_n = t_{n-1} + 3, t_1 = 2$$

$$n \in \mathbb{I}, n > 1$$

Starting value?

**2, 4, 8, 16, ...**

$$t_n = 2 \cdot t_{n-1}, t_1 = 2$$

$$n \in \mathbb{I}, n > 1$$

**3, 6, 9, 15, 24, 39, ...**

$$t_n = t_{n-1} + t_{n-2}, t_1 = 3, t_2 = 6$$

$$n \in \mathbb{I}, n \geq 3$$

$t_1$  | |  
 $t_2$  |  $t_3$

Homework

1. Handout

2. Pg. 440 # 7

what is the pattern

can you create a formula?

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Patterning, The Recursive Formula, The General Term

**Example 1:** Given the sequence 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ...

- a) Describe the pattern
- b) Determine the next three terms
- c) Determine a **Recursive Formula**

**Example 2:** Given the sequence 5, 8, 11, 14, ...

- a) Describe the pattern
- b) Determine the next three terms
- c) Determine a **Recursive Formula**
- d) Determine the **General Term**

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**Example 3:** Given the sequence 5, 14, 41, 122, 365, 1094, 3281, ...

- a) Describe the pattern
- b) Determine the next three terms
- c) Determine a **Recursive Formula**
- d) Determine the **General Term**

**Example 4:** Given the sequence  $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{9}, \frac{7}{16}, \frac{9}{25}, \frac{11}{36}, \frac{13}{49}, \frac{15}{64}, \dots$

- a) Describe the pattern for the numerator and the denominator
- b) Determine the next three terms
- c) Is the pattern **Recursive**?
- d) Determine the **General Term**

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## Patterning, The Recursive Formula, The General Term

Example 1: Given the sequence 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ...

- a) Describe the pattern add two previous terms  
 b) Determine the next three terms 13, 21, 34  
 c) Determine a Recursive Formula

$$t_n = t_{n-1} + t_{n-2}, t_1 = 1, t_2 = 1, n \in \mathbb{I}, n \geq 3$$

Example 2: Given the sequence 5, 8, 11, 14, ...

- a) Describe the pattern add 3  
 b) Determine the next three terms 17, 20, 23  
 c) Determine a Recursive Formula  
 d) Determine the General Term

$$t_n = t_{n-1} + 3, t_1 = 5, n \in \mathbb{I}, n \geq 2$$

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Example 3: Given the sequence 5, 14, 41, 122, 365, 1094, 3281, ...

- a) Describe the pattern x3 minus 1  
 b) Determine the next three terms 9842, 29525, 88574  
 c) Determine a Recursive Formula  
 d) Determine the General Term

$$t_n = 3t_{n-1} - 1, t_1 = 5, n \in \mathbb{I}, n \geq 2$$

Example 4: Given the sequence  $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{9}, \frac{7}{16}, \frac{9}{25}, \frac{11}{36}, \frac{13}{49}, \frac{15}{64}, \dots$

go to the boards ...

- a) Describe the pattern for the numerator and the denominator  
 b) Determine the next three terms  
 c) Is the pattern Recursive?  
 d) Determine the General Term

numerator

- a) 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21  
 b) add 2  
 c)  $t_n = t_{n-1} + 2, t_1 = 3, n \geq 2$

denominator

- a) 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100, 121  
 $t_1, t_2, t_3$

$$t_n = (n+1)^2, n \in \mathbb{I}, n > 0 \leftarrow \text{Not Recursive! Depends on "n"}$$

Can these be combined?

$$t_n = \frac{t_{n-1} + 2}{(n+1)^2}, t_1 = 3, n \geq 2 ?$$





$$c) \quad \begin{matrix} t_1 & t_2 & t_3 & t_4 & t_5 & t_6 \\ 1, & 1, & 2, & 3, & 5, & 8, & 13, & \underline{21}, & \underline{34}, & \underline{55} \end{matrix}$$

Fibonacci !! add 2 previous terms.

$$t_n = t_{n-1} + t_{n-2}, \quad t_1 = 1, t_2 = 1, \quad n \geq 3$$

$$d) \quad \begin{matrix} & +2 & & +2 & & +2 & & +2 & & +2 \\ & \frown & & \frown & & \frown & & \frown & & \frown \\ 3, & 5, & 10, & 12, & 24, & 26, & 52, & 54, & 108, & 110 \\ & \underbrace{\phantom{5}}_{\times 2} & & \underbrace{\phantom{10}}_{\times 2} & & \underbrace{\phantom{24}}_{\times 2} & & \underbrace{\phantom{26}}_{\times 2} & & \underbrace{\phantom{108}}_{\times 2} \end{matrix}$$

$$t_1 \quad t_2 \quad t_3 \quad t_4$$

$$t_2 = t_1 + 2$$

$$t_3 = 2 \cdot t_2$$

$$t_4 = t_3 + 2$$

$$t_5 = 2 \cdot t_4$$

So... n is even

n is odd

$$t_n = t_{n-1} + 2$$

$$t_n = 2 \cdot t_{n-1}$$

$$t_1 = 3, \quad n \geq 2$$

$$t_2 = 5, \quad n \geq 3$$

e)

1, -8, 27, -64, 125, —, —, —

 $1^3$   $(-2)^3$   $3^3$   $(-4)^3$   $5^3$   $(-6)^3$   $7^3$   $(-8)^3$ 
 $t_1$   $t_2$   $t_3$   $t_4$   $t_5$  ...

$$t_1 = (1)^3 \rightarrow t_1 = + (1)^3$$

$$t_2 = (-2)^3 \rightarrow t_2 = - (2)^3$$

$$t_3 = (3)^3 \rightarrow t_3 = + (3)^3$$

$$t_4 = (-4)^3 \rightarrow t_4 = - (4)^3$$

Not Recursive  $t_n = (-1)^{n-1} (n)^3, n \in \mathbb{I}, n > 0$

f)

6, 13, 27, 55, 111, 223, 347

$$\cup$$

$$\times 2 + 1$$

$$t_n = 2 \cdot t_{n-1} + 1, t_1 = 6, n \in \mathbb{I}, n \geq 2$$

