

Sequences, Series, and the Binomial Theorem

Arithmetic and geometric sequences, series, proof by induction, and binomial expansion.

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1. Which sequence is arithmetic?

term number	value
1	4
2	7
3	10
4	13

Check whether each term changes by the same amount from the previous term.

- A. 3, 6, 12, 24
- B. 1, 4, 9, 16
- C. 4, 7, 10, 13
- D. 2, 5, 11, 23

1.3. A recursive sequence formula needs a recurrence rule and:

- A. a graph
- B. an initial term
- C. the slope
- D. an intercept

2. Which sequence is geometric?

term number	value
1	2
2	6
3	18
4	54

Check whether each term is obtained by multiplying by the same factor.

- A. 2, 5, 8, 11
- B. 1, 3, 6, 10
- C. 4, 8, 13, 19
- D. 2, 6, 18, 54

2.3. A recursive sequence formula needs a recurrence rule and:

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- B. an initial term
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- B. 12
- C. 14
- D. 16

2.2. Which sequence is geometric?

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3. What is the goal of mathematical induction?

stage	goal
base case	show true at $n = 1$
inductive step	assume true at k and prove true at $k + 1$

Induction starts with a base case and then proves the truth carries from $n = k$ to $n = k + 1$.

- A. To prove a statement is true for every positive integer in a pattern.
- B. To estimate a sequence with a graph.
- C. To factor a polynomial.
- D. To verify a statement for the first few cases only.

3.3. Binomial coefficients in $(a + b)^n$ count:

- A. powers of a only
- B. how terms combine in the expansion
- C. zeros of the polynomial
- D. slopes of a graph

4. In the expansion of $(a + b)^n$, what do binomial coefficients count?

power	coefficients
2	1, 2, 1
3	1, 3, 3, 1
4	1, 4, 6, 4, 1

The coefficients record how many ways matching a -and- b products appear in the expansion.

- A. The roots of the polynomial
- B. The slope of each term
- C. How many ways a term can be formed in the expansion
- D. The degree drop between terms

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5. What does a recursive formula need besides a recurrence rule?

n	a _n
1	start here
2	from a ₁
3	from a ₂

The rule can only generate new terms after an initial value is given.

- A. A determinant
- B. A starting value
- C. A graph intercept
- D. A binomial coefficient

5.3. A recursive sequence formula needs a recurrence rule and:

- A. a graph
- B. an initial term
- C. the slope
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6. Which formula matches 10, 13, 16, 19, ...?

- A. $a_n = 10(3^{n-1})$
- B. $a_n = 3 + 10n$
- C. $a_n = 10 + n^2$
- D. $a_n = 10 + 3(n - 1)$

6.3. A recursive sequence formula needs a recurrence rule and:

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7. Which formula matches 3, 12, 48, 192, ...?

- A. $a_n = 3 + 4(n - 1)$
- B. $a_n = 12(3^{n-1})$
- C. $a_n = 3(4^{n-1})$
- D. $a_n = 4(3^{n-1})$

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8. Which recursive rule matches 4, 9, 14, 19, ...?

n	a _n
1	4
2	9
3	14
4	19

Each new term is the previous term plus the same difference.

- A. $a_1 = 4, a_n = 5a_{(n-1)}$
- B. $a_1 = 4, a_n = a_{(n-1)} + 5$
- C. $a_1 = 9, a_n = a_{(n-1)} + 4$
- D. $a_1 = 4, a_n = a_{(n-1)} - 5$

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9. After checking the base case in induction, what comes next?

- A. Assume the statement is true for $n = k$ and prove it for $n = k + 1$.
- B. Plug in random numbers forever.
- C. Take a determinant.
- D. Check one more example and declare it proven.

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- A. powers of a only
- B. how terms combine in the expansion
- C. zeros of the polynomial
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10. A student says 2, 6, 18, 54 is arithmetic because the numbers keep changing. What is the mistake?

- A. Arithmetic sequences must grow faster.
- B. Geometric sequences cannot have whole numbers.
- C. They should subtract 2 from every term first.
- D. The pattern has a constant ratio, not a constant difference.

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11. Find the next term after 6, 10, 14, 18. Answer with a number.

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- C. 14
- D. 16

12. Find the next term after 3, 9, 27, 81. Answer with a number.

12.1. Which sequence is arithmetic?

- A. 2, 5, 8, 11
- B. 3, 6, 12, 24
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- D. 2, 4, 7, 11

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- A. 10
- B. 12
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13. For $a_n = 5 + 3(n - 1)$, find a_4 . Answer with a number.

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13.5. For $a_n = 4 + 2(n - 1)$, what is a_5 ?

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 14
- D. 16

14. For $a_n = 2(4^{n-1})$, find a_3 . Answer with a number.

14.1. Which sequence is arithmetic?

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- B. 3, 6, 12, 24
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14.5. For $a_n = 4 + 2(n - 1)$, what is a_5 ?

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 14
- D. 16

15. Find the sum of the first 4 terms of 2, 5, 8, 11. Answer with a number.

15.1. Which sequence is arithmetic?

- A. 2, 5, 8, 11
- B. 3, 6, 12, 24
- C. 1, 4, 9, 16
- D. 2, 4, 7, 11

15.2. Which sequence is geometric?

- A. 4, 8, 12, 16
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15.5. For $a_n = 4 + 2(n - 1)$, what is a_5 ?

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 14
- D. 16

16. Find the sum of the first 4 terms of 1, 2, 4, 8. Answer with a number.

16.1. Which sequence is arithmetic?

- A. 2, 5, 8, 11
- B. 3, 6, 12, 24
- C. 1, 4, 9, 16
- D. 2, 4, 7, 11

16.2. Which sequence is geometric?

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16.5. For $a_n = 4 + 2(n - 1)$, what is a_5 ?

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- B. 12
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17. What is the coefficient of x in the expansion of $(x + 1)^2$? Answer with a number.

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18. What is the coefficient of x^2 in $(x + 1)^3$? Answer with a number.

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- A. 2, 5, 8, 11
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18.5. For $a_n = 4 + 2(n - 1)$, what is a_5 ?

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 14
- D. 16

19. For 7, 12, 17, 22, what is the 6th term? Answer with a number.

19.1. Which sequence is arithmetic?

- A. 2, 5, 8, 11
- B. 3, 6, 12, 24
- C. 1, 4, 9, 16
- D. 2, 4, 7, 11

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- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 14
- D. 16

20. For 2, 6, 18, 54, what is the 5th term? Answer with a number.

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- B. 3, 6, 12, 24
- C. 1, 4, 9, 16
- D. 2, 4, 7, 11

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- B. 12
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- D. 16

21. Find the sum of the first 3 terms of 8, 11, 14, ... Answer with a number.

21.1. Which sequence is arithmetic?

- A. 2, 5, 8, 11
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21.5. For $a_n = 4 + 2(n - 1)$, what is a_5 ?

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 14
- D. 16

22. Find the sum of the first 3 terms of 5, 10, 20, ... Answer with a number.

22.1. Which sequence is arithmetic?

- A. 2, 5, 8, 11
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23. If $a_1 = 3$ and $a_n = a_{(n-1)} + 4$, what is a_4 ?
Answer with a number.

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24. If $a_1 = 2$ and $a_n = 3a_{(n-1)}$, what is a_4 ?
Answer with a number.

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25. Write an explicit formula for the sequence 4, 7, 10, 13, ... Answer in the form $n = \dots$

n	a_n
1	4
2	7
3	10
4	13

The formula reproduces the same constant-difference table.

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The explicit rule recreates a constant-ratio sequence.

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