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# Sequence

Pattern of numbers, letters,  
or objects (IQ Tests)

Ex    1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36 ..

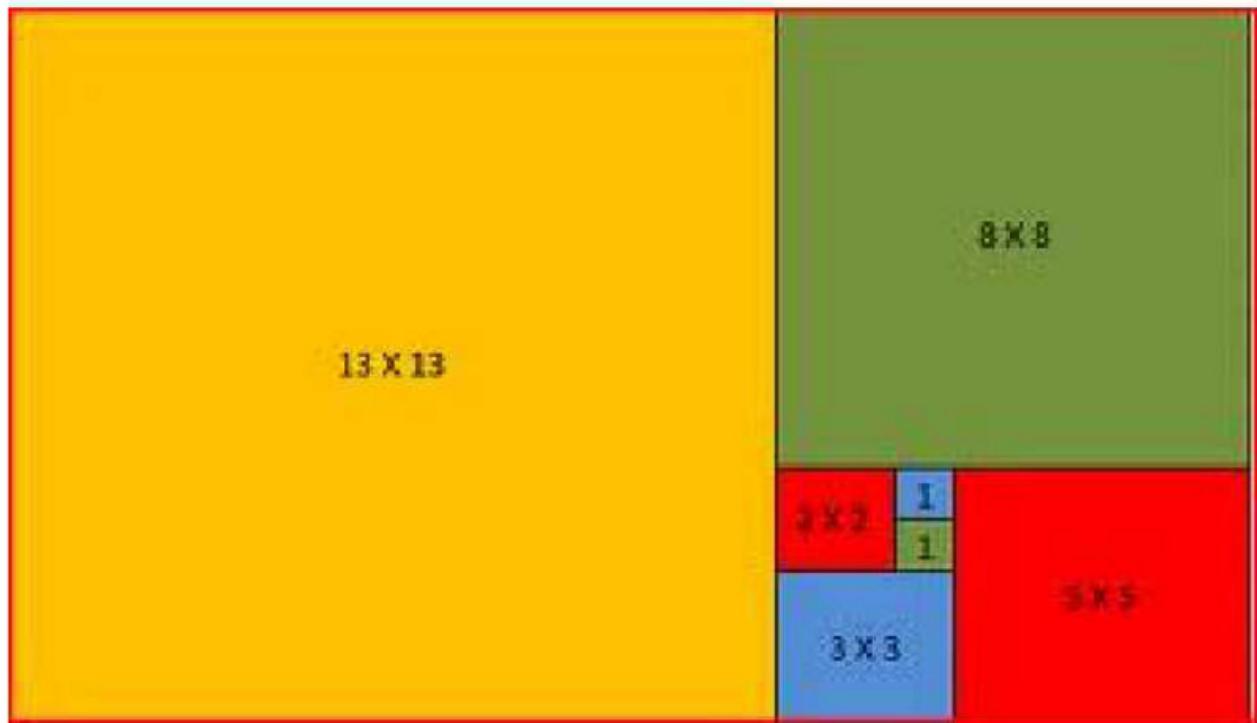
↑  
1st Term  
 $a_1$

↑ 6th Term  
 $a_6$

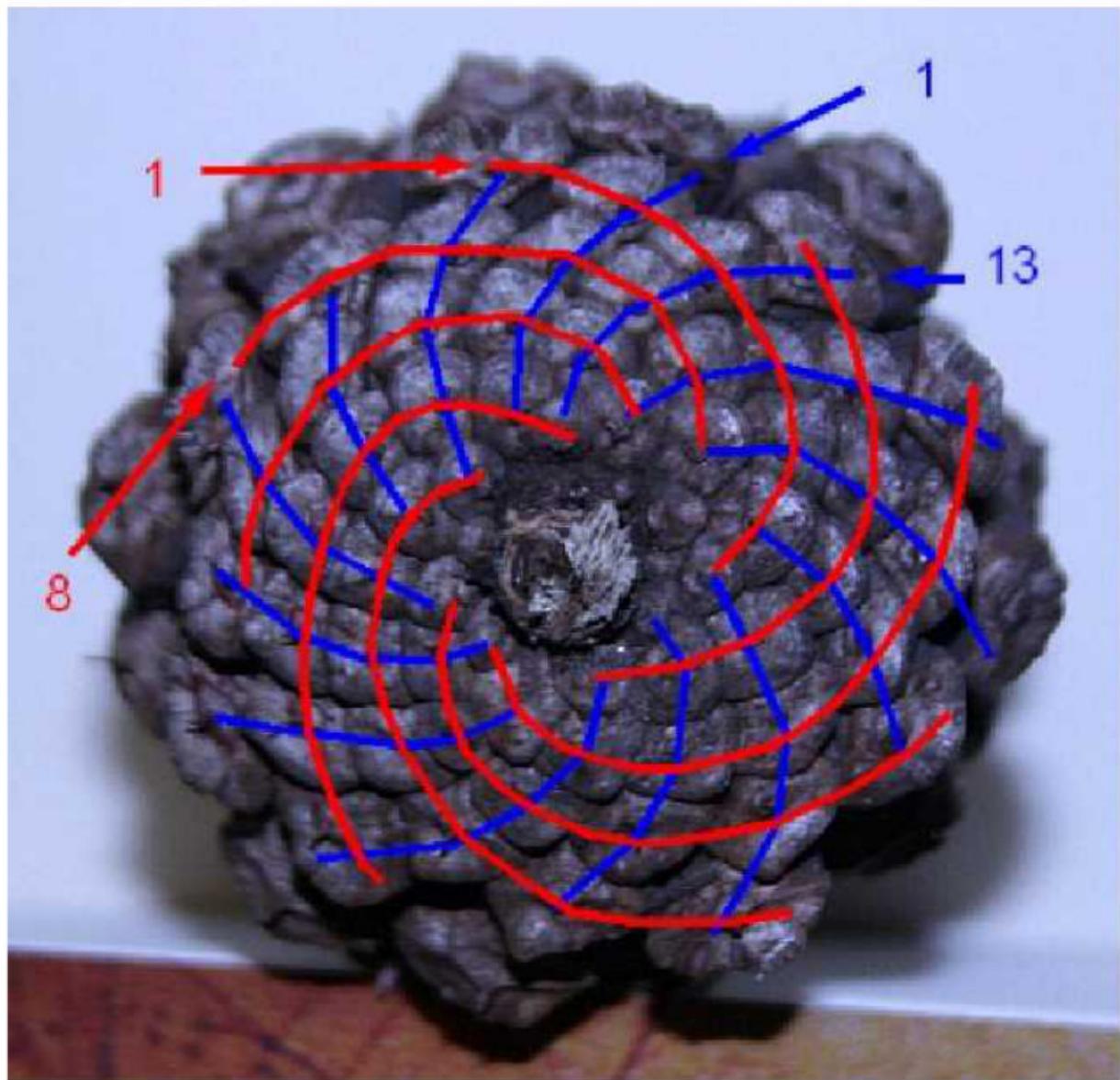
## Fibonacci Sequence

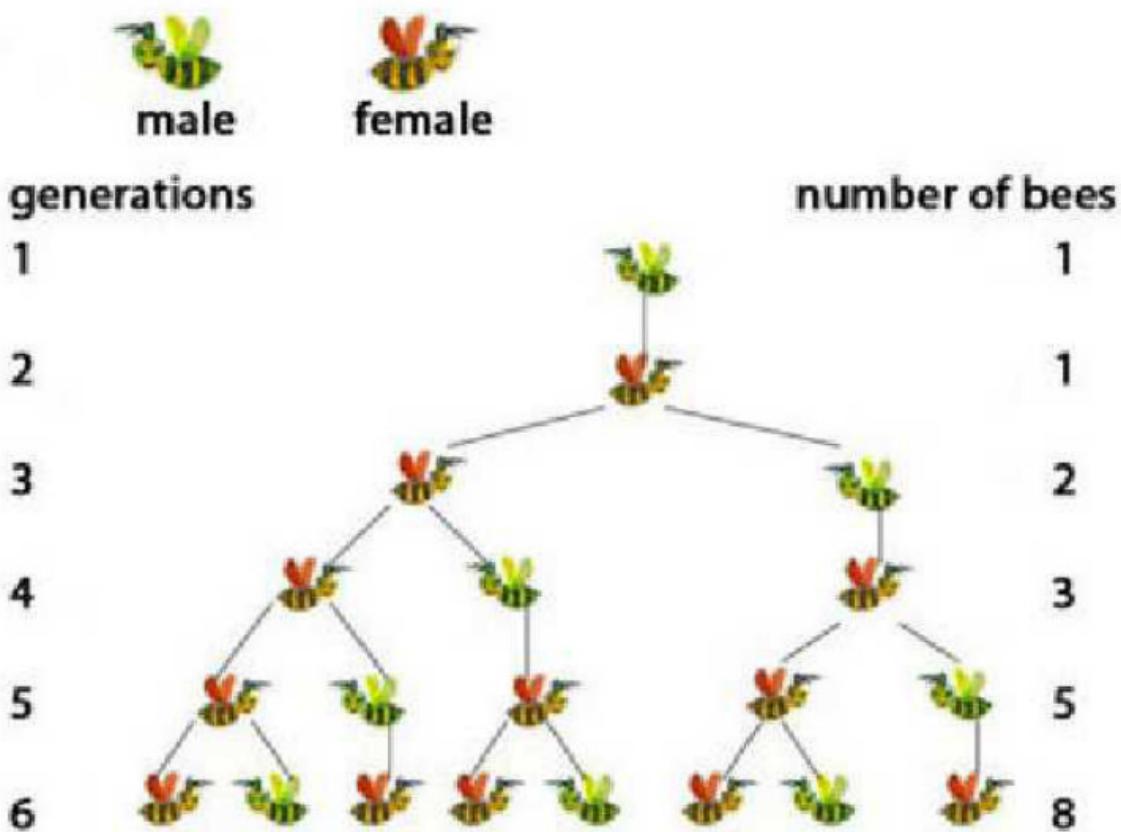
1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8 ...

Like  $\pi$  and  $\phi$  this pattern can  
be found in art, architecture  
and nature!



This pattern of "**Fibonacci square**" continues on in the painting of Mona Lisa ...





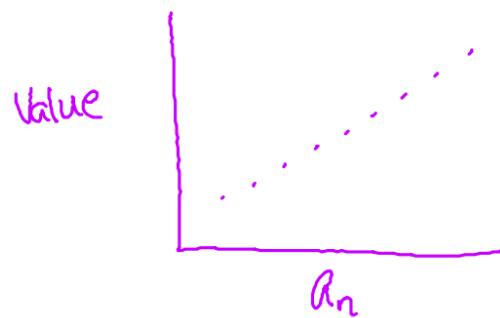
The queen bee has control over whether she lays male or female eggs, and she lays male eggs in slightly larger cells. If she uses stored sperm to fertilize the egg first, the larva that hatches is female. If she leaves the egg unfertilized, the larva that hatches is male. This means that female bees inherit genes from their mothers and their fathers while male bees inherit only genes from their mothers.

## Arithmetic Sequence

Each term is obtained by adding a constant (common difference) to each preceding term

Exs     $4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19 \dots d = 3$

$20, 18, 16, 14, 12 \dots d = -2$



Formula

$$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$

Ex  $a_1 = 4, a_2 = 7, a_{25} = \underline{\quad}$

$$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$

$$a_{25} = 4 + (25-1)(3)$$

$$a_{25} = 76$$

Ex  $a_n = 68, a_1 = 5, d = 3, n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$

$$68 = 5 + (n-1)(3)$$

$$63 = 3n - 3$$

$$22 = n$$

$$22 = n$$

## Arithmetic Means

Missing term(s) in an arithmetic sequence

Ex ... 5, —, 15, ...

$$\frac{5+15}{2} = 10$$

Ex ... 55, —, —, —, —, 85, ...

$a_1$

$a_6$

$$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$

$$85 = 55 + (6-1)d$$

$$30 = 5d$$

$$6 = d$$

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## Geometric Sequence

Each term is obtained by multiplying a constant (common ratio) to each preceding term

Ex  $2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64 \dots r = 2$  

$$100, 50, 25, \frac{25}{2}, \frac{25}{4} \dots r = \frac{1}{2}$$

Formula

$$a_n = a_1 \cdot r^{n-1}$$

Ex  $a_1 = 4, r = 2, a_{10} = \underline{\quad}$

$$a_n = a_1 \cdot r^{n-1}$$

$$a_{10} = (4)(2)^{10-1}$$

$$a_{10} = (4)(2)^9$$

$$a_{10} = 2048$$

Ex  $a_1 = 17, r = 2, a_n = 34816, n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$$\begin{aligned}a_n &= a_1 \cdot r^{n-1} \\34816 &= (17)(2)^{n-1} \\2048 &= (2)^{n-1} \\(\underline{2})^{\cancel{n}} &= (\underline{2})^{n-1} \\11 &= n-1 \\12 &= n\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}a_n &= a_1 \cdot r^{n-1} \\34816 &= (17)(2)^{n-1} \quad | \quad \log 2048 = \log 2^{n-1} \\&\quad | \quad \frac{\log 2048}{\log 2} = \frac{n-1 \log 2}{\log 2} \\&\quad | \quad 11 = n-1 \\&\quad | \quad 12 = n\end{aligned}$$

## Geometric Means

Missing term(s) from a geometric sequence

Ex ... 2, \_\_\_, 32 ...

$$\sqrt{2 \cdot 32} = \sqrt{64} = \pm 8$$

Ex ... 7, —, —, 56 ...  
↑ ↑  
 $a_1$   $a_4$

$$a_n = a_1 \cdot r^{n-1}$$

$$56 = (7)(r)^{4-1}$$

$$8 = r^3$$

$$2 = r$$

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## Series

An indicated sum of terms  
of a sequence

Ex    1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21 ...

Partial Sums {

$$\begin{aligned}S_1 &= 1 \\S_4 &= 1 + 1 + 2 + 3 = 7 \\S_6 &= 1 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 5 + 8 = 20\end{aligned}$$

$S_n$  = sum of 1st  $n$  terms

## Summation Notation

$$\sum_{n=1}^5 (n^2 - 4) = (-3) + 0 + 5 + 12 + 21 = 35$$

## Arithmetic Series

Sum of n terms from an arithmetic sequence

### Formula

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} (a_1 + a_n)$$
$$a_n = [a_1 + (n-1) d]$$
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S_n = \frac{n}{2} (2a_1 + (n-1)d) \end{array} \right\}$$

SAT Ex Sum of 1 to 100 = ?

1, 2, 3, 4... 100. ( $d=1$ )

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} (a_1 + a_n)$$

$$S_{100} = \frac{100}{2} (1 + 100)$$

$$S_{100} = 5050$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad a_1 = 1, \quad a_2 = 4, \quad S_{100} = \underline{\quad}$$

$$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$

$$a_{100} = 1 + (100-1)(3)$$

$$a_{100} = 298$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} (a_1 + a_n)$$

$$S_{100} = \frac{100}{2} (1 + 298)$$

$$S_{100} = 14,950$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} (2a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_{100} = \frac{100}{2} (2(1) + (100-1)(3))$$

$$S_{100} = 50(2 + 297)$$

$$S_{100} = 14,950$$

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## Geometric Series

Sum of  $n$  terms from a  
geometric sequence

## Formula

$$S_n = \frac{a_1 - r a_n}{1 - r}$$
$$a_n = [a_1 \cdot r^{n-1}]$$
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} S_n = \frac{a_1 - a_1 r^n}{1 - r}$$

$$a_1 = 3, r = 2, S_{10} = \underline{\quad}$$

$$a_n = a_1 \cdot r^{n-1}$$

$$a_{10} = (3)(2)^9$$

$$a_{10} = 1536$$

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$$S_n = \frac{a_1 - r a_n}{1 - r}$$

$$S_n = \frac{3 - 2(1536)}{1 - 2} = \frac{-3069}{-1}$$

$$S_n = 3069$$

$$S_n = \frac{a_1 - a_1 r^n}{1 - r}$$

$$S_n = \frac{3 - 3(2)^{10}}{1 - 2}$$

$$S_n = \frac{-3069}{-1}$$

$$S_n = 3069$$

# Infinite Geometric Series

Ex  $5, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{5}{8} \dots r = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S_1 = 5 \\ S_5 = 9.6875 \\ S_{20} = 9.9999 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{As } n \rightarrow \infty \\ S_n \rightarrow 10 \\ \uparrow \\ \text{The Limit} \end{array}$$

Rule

proper fraction

If  $|r| < 1$  then

$S_n$  "converges" to  $\frac{a_1}{1-r}$

Note

Arithmetic series never converge

Tell whether the following geometric series converges; if so, state the limit.

1)  $a_1 = 2, r = \frac{3}{2}$   $\rightarrow$  Does Not Converge

2)  $a_1 = 15, r = -\frac{3}{10}$

$$S_n = \frac{a_1}{1-r} = \frac{15}{1 - (-\frac{3}{10})} = \frac{15}{\frac{13}{10}} = \frac{15}{1} \cdot \frac{10}{13} = \frac{150}{13} \text{ or}$$

$$11\frac{7}{13}$$