

MEMO 2015-9EC-00001(1)

(1) Write the next five numbers in each sequence:

Also write the pattern in words:

(a) $-3; -11; -19; -27; -35; -43; -51; -59; -67$

Subtract 8.

$\therefore -8$

(b) $5; 8; 11; 14; 17; 20; 23; 26; 29$

Add 3.

$\therefore +3$

(c) $98\ 415; 32\ 805; 10\ 935; 3\ 645; 1\ 215; 405; 135; 45; 15$

Divide by 3.

$\therefore \div 3$

(d) $1; 1; 3; 4; 5; 9; 7; 16; 9; 25; 11; 36; 13; 49$

Blue pattern: Add 2 $\rightarrow$ +2 or odd natural numbers

Green pattern: Complete squares

(2) The general term for a sequence is $T_n = 5n + 3$.

(a) Determine the first four terms of the sequence.

(b) Determine the 85th term of the sequence.

(c) Which term in the sequence is equal to 523?

(a) $T_1 = 5(1) + 3 = 5 + 3 = 8$

$$T_2 = 5(2) + 3 = 10 + 3 = 13$$

$$T_3 = 5(3) + 3 = 15 + 3 = 18$$

$$T_4 = 5(4) + 3 = 20 + 3 = 23$$

$\therefore$ The first four terms of the sequence: $8; 13; 18; 23$

(b) $T_n = 5n + 3$

$$\therefore T_{85} = 5(85) + 3 = 425 + 3 = 428$$

$\therefore T_{85} = 428$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(c)} \quad T_n &= 5n + 3 \\
 \therefore 523 &= 5n + 3 \\
 \therefore 523 - 3 &= 5n \\
 \therefore 520 &= 5n \\
 \therefore \frac{520}{5} &= n \\
 \therefore n &= 104
 \end{aligned}$$

(3) Complete the following table and answer the questions:

(a)	Position in sequence	1	2	3	7	11	*28	35
	Term	-4	-7	-10	-22	-34	-85	-106

(b) Describe the pattern in words.

(c) Determine the general term of the second difference of the above sequence as $T_n = \dots\dots$

(d) Determine the 100th term of the sequence.

(b) Subtract 3 $\rightarrow$ -3

(c) $T_0 = -1 \rightarrow$ Add 3 to the -4 (the first term of the sequence)

$$\therefore T_n = -3n - 1$$

$\rightarrow$ The -3 is number that is “added”. This number that is added can also be negative as in this case.

$\rightarrow$ The -1 is obtained by calculating “ T_0 ”.

Or the formula can be used:

$T_n = a + (n - 1)d$ with a the first term and d the number to be “added”.

$$\therefore T_n = -4 + (n - 1)(-3)$$

$$\therefore T_n = -4 - 3n + 3$$

$$\therefore T_n = -1 - 3n = -3n - 1$$

(d) $T_n = -3n - 1$

$$\therefore T_{100} = -3(100) - 1$$

$$\therefore T_{100} = -300 - 1$$

$$\therefore T_{100} = -301$$

* Can also be determined by using the general term

$$T_n = -85 = -3n - 1$$

$$\therefore 3n = 85 - 1 = 84$$

$$\therefore 3n = \frac{84}{3} = 28$$

(4) Fill in the missing numbers for each sequence and determine the general term (T_n):

(a) $3 ; 6 ; 12 ; 24 ; 48 ; 96 ; 192 ; 384 \rightarrow \times 2$

$$T_1 = 3 = 3 \times 1 = 3 \times 2^0$$

$$T_2 = 6 = 3 \times 2 = 3 \times 2^1$$

$$T_3 = 12 = 3 \times 2 \times 2 = 3 \times 2^2$$

$$T_4 = 24 = 3 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 3 \times 2^3$$

$$\therefore T_n = 3 \times 2^{n-1}$$

(b) $8\frac{1}{2} ; 7\frac{3}{4} ; 7 ; 6\frac{1}{4} ; 5\frac{1}{2} ; 4\frac{3}{4} ; 4 \rightarrow -\frac{3}{4}$

$$T_0 = 8\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} = 8\frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{4} = 8\frac{5}{4} = 9\frac{1}{4} \quad \text{or} \quad T_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\therefore T_n = -\frac{3}{4}n + 9\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\therefore T_n = 8\frac{1}{2} + (n-1)\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$\therefore T_n = 8\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{4}n + \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore T_n = -\frac{3}{4}n + 9\frac{1}{4}$$

(c) $136 ; 139 ; 142 ; 145 ; 148 ; 151 ; 154 ; 157 \rightarrow +3$

$$T_0 = 136 - 3 = 133 \quad \text{or} \quad T_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\therefore T_n = 3n + 133$$

$$\therefore T_n = 136 + (n-1)(3)$$

$$\therefore T_n = 136 + 3n - 3$$

$$\therefore T_n = 3n + 133$$