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Unit 5: Sequences

Number grids

Using a number grid, we can describe different sequences. This grid has six columns and one of the columns contains the **multiples** of six.

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30

This grid uses **tracking calculations** to show a rule between the row number and value in the cell.

Row 1	1	2	3	$6 \times 1 - 2$	5	6×1
Row 2	7	8	9	$6 \times 2 - 2$	11	6×2
Row 3	13	14	15	$6 \times 3 - 2$	17	6×3
Row 4	19	20	21	...	23	...

A **'linear' or 'arithmetic' sequence** is any sequence where the **difference** between the **terms** is constant.

E.g. $9, 15, 21, 27, 33, \dots$
 $\quad \quad \quad +3 \quad +3 \quad +3 \quad +3 \dots$

The columns in number grids are examples of linear sequences.

Some sequences decrease. As long as they decrease by a constant amount they are still linear sequences.

E.g.: $5, 2, -1, -4, -7 \dots$

Describing sequences

A sequence is made up of **terms**. The first term is said to be in the first **'position'**.

A **position-to-term rule** uses the position to help us work out any **term** in a linear sequence.

A **term-to-term rule** can describe how we move from one term of a sequence to the next.

Position	1	2	3	4	n
Tracking calculation	$6 \times 1 + 3$	$6 \times 2 + 3$	$6 \times 3 + 3$	$6 \times 4 + 3$	$6 \times n + 3$
Term	9	15	21	27	$6n + 3$
Term to term:	+6	+6	+6	+6	+6

Not all sequences are arithmetic sequences. Here are some examples:

Sequence	1, 4, 9, ...	2, 4, 8, 16 ...	1, 3, 6, 10 ...
Position to term rule	n^2	2^n	$\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$
Term to term rule	$+(2n-1)$	$\times 2$	$+n$

Unit 6: Forming and solving equations

Expressions

A **constant** is a number whose value is always the same.

A **variable** is a number whose value can change. We use letters to represent variables.

$\square \square \square = 3$ $\square = n$

An **expression** is a way of writing a single number using algebra. The value of the expression is **dependent** on the value of the **variable**.

For example:

When $n = 2$ then $n + 3 = 5$

When $n = 7$ then $n + 3 = 10$

$\square \square \square = 5$

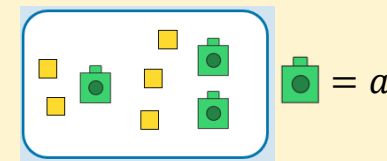
$\square \square \square = 10$

When using variables or brackets we don't always use the 'x' symbol.

$2 \times n + 3 = 2n + 3$

$2(1 + a) = 2 \times (1 + a)$

We can **collect** together **like terms** of variables and constants in order to **simplify** algebraic **expressions**.



$2 + a + 3 + 2a = 3a + 5$

Unit 6: Forming and solving equations

Equations and identities

- Two expressions are **equal** if they have the same **value**.
- We use the equals sign = to write an **equation**.
- Equations can be true or false.

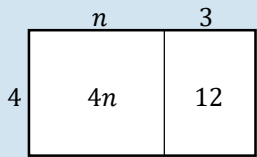
The **value** of "2 + 3" is 5
So we can write $2 + 3 = 5$

$$1 + 2 = 6 - 3 \quad \text{True}$$

$$2 + 3 = 5 + 5 \quad \text{False}$$

Equations are only true for certain values.

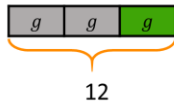
Identities are true for all values and have different notation.



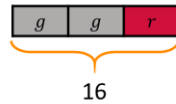
$$4(n + 3) \equiv 4n + 12$$

This symbol means 'identical to.' It means the expressions are **always** equal.

Bar models are good representations for **equations**. The bars represent **expressions**, and the numbers below show what the **expressions** have been equated to.



$$3g = 12$$



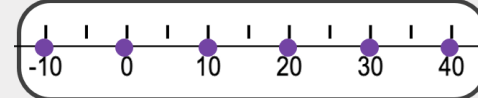
$$2g + r = 16$$

Unit 7: Forming and solving inequalities

Inequalities

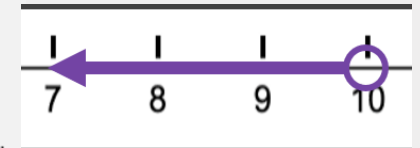
- When two expressions may not be equal, we can write an **inequality**.
- We use the inequality symbols $<$, $>$, \leq and \geq to write an inequality. These are the same ones we use to compare numbers.
- Like equations, inequalities can be true or false.

We can represent sets of numbers on number lines.



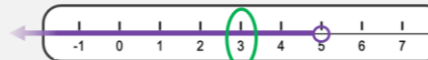
This number line represents the 'multiples of 12.' Each multiple is represented by a purple dot.

We can use this number line to represent the numbers less than 10.

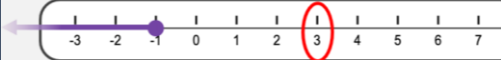


10 itself is not filled in with a circle because 10 is not less than 10. This is the inequality $n < 10$.

It is **TRUE** that $3 < 5$.
We say that " $x = 3$ **satisfies** the inequality $x < 5$ ".

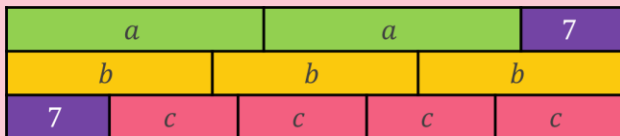


It is **FALSE** that $3 < -1$.
We say that " $y = 3$ **does not satisfy** the inequality $y \leq -1$ ".



Inequalities with two variables

Just like equations, inequalities can relate two or more variables together.



Unlike equations, multiplying both sides by a number less than 0 does not lead to a true related inequality.

$$a < b \text{ does not mean } -a < -b$$

$$\text{If } a < b \text{ then } -a > -b$$

Inequality	Divide both sides by:	New Inequality	Is new inequality true or false?
$4 < 8$	4	$1 < 2$	true
$12 \geq -15$	3	$4 \geq -5$	true
$-16 \leq 12$	-4	$4 \leq -3$	false
$15 > 5$	-5	$-3 > -1$	false

We can use existing inequalities to find new related ones.

Solving an inequality means finding the range of values that **satisfy** the inequality.

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Week 1 – Introduction to sequences (clips 33, 198, 264, 261)

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Week 2 – Further sequences (clips 196, 197, 263, 247)

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Week 4 – Forming and solving equations (clip xxxx)

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Week 5 – Solutions to inequalities (clip xxxx)

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