

**Recurrence relations 4D****1 Basis step:**

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 5^1 - 1 = 4$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } u_k = 5^k - 1$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+1} = 5u_k + 4 = 5(5^k - 1) + 4 = 5^{k+1} - 1$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ .

Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**2 Basis step:**

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 2^3 - 5 = 3$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } u_k = 2^{k+2} - 5$$

Induction step:

$$u_{k+1} = 2u_k + 5 = 2(2^{k+2} - 5) + 5 = 2^{k+3} - 5$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ .

Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**3 Basis step:**

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 5^0 + 2 = 3$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } u_k = 5^{k-1} + 2$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+1} = 5u_k - 8 = 5(5^{k-1} + 2) - 8 = 5^k + 2$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ .

Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**4 Basis step:**

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = \frac{3^1 - 1}{2} = 1$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } u_k = \frac{3^k - 1}{2}$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+1} = 3u_k + 1 = 3\left(\frac{3^k - 1}{2}\right) + 1 = \frac{3^{k+1} - 3}{2} + 1 = \frac{3^{k+1} - 1}{2}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ .

Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

5 a  $u_1 = 2$

$$u_2 = \frac{3 \times 2 - 1}{4} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$u_3 = \frac{3\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) - 1}{4} = \frac{11}{16}$$

$$u_4 = \frac{3\left(\frac{11}{16}\right) - 1}{4} = \frac{17}{64}$$

b Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 4\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^1 - 1 = 2$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } u_k = \frac{3u_k - 1}{4}$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+1} = \frac{3\left(4\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^k - 1\right) - 1}{4} = 4\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^k - \frac{4}{4} = 4\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{k+1} - 1$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ . Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

6 Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 4^1 + 3(1) + 1 = 8$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } u_k = 4^k + 3k + 1$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+1} = 4(4^k + 3k + 1) - 9k = 4^{k+1} + 3k + 4 = 4^{k+1} + 3(k+1) + 1$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ .

Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

7 Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, 2u_1 = 2(1) - 1 + (-1)^1 = 0$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } 2u_k = 2k - 1 + (-1)^k$$

Inductive step:

$$2u_{k+1} = 4k - 2u_k = 4k - (2k - 1 + (-1)^k) = 2k + 1 - (-1)^k = 2(k+1) - 1 + (-1)^{k+1}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ .

Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

**8** Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 2 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1} = 2 - (-2) = 4$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } u_k = 2 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k-2}$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+1} = 3 - \frac{1}{2}u_k = 3 - \frac{1}{2}\left(2 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k-2}\right) = 3 - 1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k-2} = 2 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{(k+1)-2}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ .

Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

**9** Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 3^0(1)! = 1$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } u_k = 3^{k-1}k!$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+1} = 3(k+1)u_k = 3(k+1)3^{k-1}k! = 3(3^{k-1})(k+1)k! = 3^{(k+1)-1}(k+1)!$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ .

Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

**10 a** With  $2n$  people, any person can pair with any of the  $2n - 1$  other people. Having made this pairing, the remaining  $2n - 2$  people can be paired in  $P_{n-1}$  ways, so multiplying gives  $P_n = (2n - 1)P_{n-1}$ .

**b** Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, P_1 = \frac{2!}{2^1(1)!} = 1$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } P_k = \frac{(2k)!}{2^k k!}$$

Inductive step:

$$P_{k+1} = (2(k+1) - 1)P_k = (2k + 1)\frac{(2k)!}{2^k k!} = \frac{(2k + 2)!}{(2k + 2)2^k k!} = \frac{(2(k+1))!}{2^{k+1}(k+1)!}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ . Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

**11** Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 3^1 - 2^1 = 1; \text{ when } n = 2, u_2 = 3^2 - 2^2 = 5$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k \text{ and } n = k + 1, \text{ so } u_k = 3^k - 2^k \text{ and } u_{k+1} = 3^{k+1} - 2^{k+1}$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+2} = 5(3^{k+1} - 2^{k+1}) - 6(3^k - 2^k) = 15(3^k) - 10(2^k) - 6(3^k) + 6(2^k) = 9(3^k) - 4(2^k) = 3^{k+2} - 2^{k+2}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  and  $n = k + 1$  it is valid for  $n = k + 2$ . Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**12** Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = (-1)3^0 = -1; \text{ when } n = 2, u_2 = (0)3^1 = 0$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k \text{ and } n = k + 1, \text{ so } u_k = (k - 2)3^{k-1} \text{ and } u_{k+1} = (k - 1)3^k$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+2} = 6(k - 1)3^k - 9(k - 2)3^{k-1} = 2(k - 1)3^{k+1} - (k - 2)3^{k+1} = k3^{k+1}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  and  $n = k + 1$  it is valid for  $n = k + 2$ . Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**13** Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 2(5^0) - 2^0 = 1; \text{ when } n = 2, u_2 = 2(5^1) - 2^1 = 8$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k \text{ and } n = k + 1, \text{ so } u_k = 2(5^{k-1}) - 2^{k-1} \text{ and } u_{k+1} = 2(5^k) - 2^k$$

Inductive step:

$$\begin{aligned} u_{k+2} &= 7(2(5^k) - 2^k) - 10(2(5^{k-1}) - 2^{k-1}) \\ &= 14(5^k) - 7(2^k) - 4(5^k) + 5(2^k) = 10(5^k) - 2(2^k) = 2(5^{k+1}) - 2^{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  and  $n = k + 1$  it is valid for  $n = k + 2$ . Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**14** Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 1 \times 3^1 = 3; \text{ when } n = 2, u_2 = 4 \times 3^2 = 36$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k \text{ and } n = k + 1, \text{ so } u_k = (3k - 2)3^k \text{ and}$$

$$u_{k+1} = (3(k + 1) - 2)3^{k+1} = (3k + 1)3^{k+1}$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+2} = 6(3k + 1)3^{k+1} - 9(3k - 2)3^k = 2(3k + 1)3^{k+2} - (3k - 2)3^{k+2} = (3k + 4)3^{k+2} = (3(k + 2) - 2)3^{k+2}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  and  $n = k + 1$  it is valid for  $n = k + 2$ . Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**15 a**  $u_1 = 7$

$$u_2 = 5 \times 7 - 3(2^1) = 29$$

$$u_3 = 5 \times 29 - 3(2^2) = 133$$

$$u_4 = 5 \times 133 - 3(2^3) = 641$$

**b** Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, u_1 = 5^1 + 2^1 = 7$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k, \text{ so } u_k = 5^k + 2^k$$

Inductive step:

$$u_{k+1} = 5(5^k + 2^k) - 3(2^k) = 5(5^k) + 2(2^k) = 5^{k+1} + 2^{k+1}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  it is valid for  $n = k + 1$ . Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

**16** Basis step:

$$\text{When } n = 1, L_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} + \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} = 1; \text{ when } n = 2, L_2 = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 = 3$$

Assumption step:

$$\text{Assume the closed form is true for } n = k \text{ and } n = k + 1, \text{ so } L_k = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k \text{ and}$$

$$L_{k+1} = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{k+1} + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{k+1}$$

Inductive step:

$$\begin{aligned} L_{k+2} &= \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{k+1} + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{k+1} + \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k \\ &= \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} + 1\right)\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} + 1\right)\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k \\ &= \left(\frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k + \left(\frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k \\ &= \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k \\ &= \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{k+2} + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{k+2} \end{aligned}$$

So if the closed form is valid for  $n = k$  and  $n = k + 1$  it is valid for  $n = k + 2$ . Since the closed form is true for  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$ , by induction the closed form is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .