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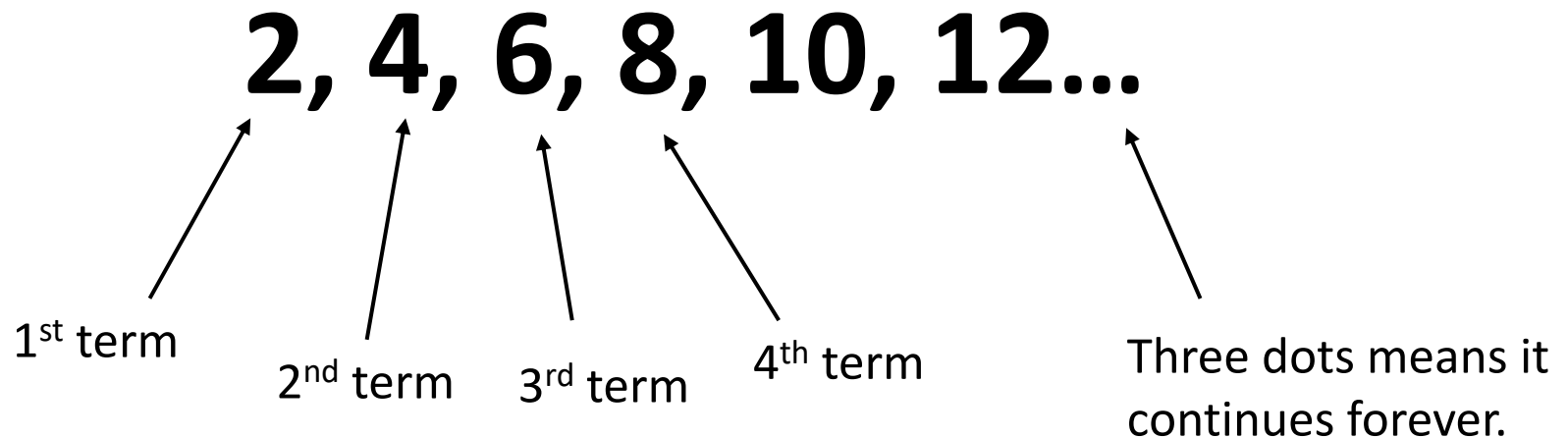
Sit down with a
pen and paper.





Term to term

Going from one term to the next.



Term to term rule:

How you get from one term to the next.
For the sequence above it would be **add 2**.

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For the following sequences write down the **next term** and the **term to term rule**.

1 3, 6, 9, 12, 15...

2 12, 16, 20, 24, 28...

3 19, 15, 11, 7, 3...

4 1.5, 3.5, 5.5, 7.5, 9.5...


5 5, 10, 20, 40, 80...

6 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8...

7 $0.5, \frac{13}{20}, \frac{4}{5}, 0.95...$

8 0, 3, 8, 15, 24...

9 $10, 5, \frac{5}{2}, 1.25$

 $\frac{3}{8}, \frac{5}{11}, \frac{7}{14}, \frac{9}{17}, \frac{11}{20}, \dots$

Answers

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For the following sequences write down the **next term** in the sequence and the **term to term rule**.

Add the two
previous terms

1 3, 6, 9, 12, 15... **18** **+3**

6 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8... **13**

2 12, 16, 20, 24, 28... **32** **+4**

7 $0.5, \frac{13}{20}, \frac{4}{5}, 0.95...$ **1.1** **+0.15**


3 19, 15, 11, 7, 3... **-1** **-4**

8 0, 3, 8, 15, 24... **18** **+3,+5,+7...**

4 1.5, 3.5, 5.5, 7.5, 9.5... **11.5** **+2**

9 $10, 5, \frac{5}{2}, 1.25$ **$\frac{5}{8}$** **$\div 2$**

5 5, 10, 20, 40, 80... **160** **x2**

 $\frac{3}{8}, \frac{5}{11}, \frac{7}{14}, \frac{9}{17}, \frac{11}{20} \dots$ **$\frac{13}{23}$** **$\frac{+2}{+3}$**

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Here is a number sequence.

6 9 12 15 18 _____

- 1 What is the next term in the sequence?
- 2 Write down the rule for continuing the sequence.
- 3 What is the first term that will be a multiple of 20?

Extra

- 4 Can you connect the **term number** with the sequence?

1	2	3	4	5	6	n
16	19	22	25	28		

Here is a number sequence.

6

9

12

15

18

21

1 What is the next term in the sequence?

2 Write down the rule for continuing the sequence. **Add 3**

3 What is the first term that will be a multiple of 20? **60**

4 Can you connect the **term number** with the sequence? **$\times 3 + 3$**

Extra

1	2	3	4	5	6	n
6	9	12	15	18	21	$3n + 3$

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Here is a number sequence.

31 26 21 16 11 _____

- 1 What is the next term in the sequence?
- 2 Write down the rule for continuing the sequence.
- 3 What is the first **negative** term in the sequence?

Extra

- 4 Can you connect the **term number** with the sequence?

1	2	3	4	5	6	n
31	26	21	16	11		

Here is a number sequence.

31

26

21

16

11

6

1 What is the next term in the sequence?

2 Write down the rule for continuing the sequence. **Subtract 5**

3 What is the first **negative** term in the sequence? **-4**

Extra

4 Can you connect the **term number** with the sequence?

$36 - (5 \times n)$

1	2	3	4	5	6	n
31	26	21	16	11	6	$36 - 5n$

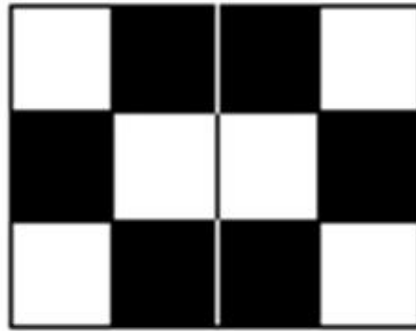
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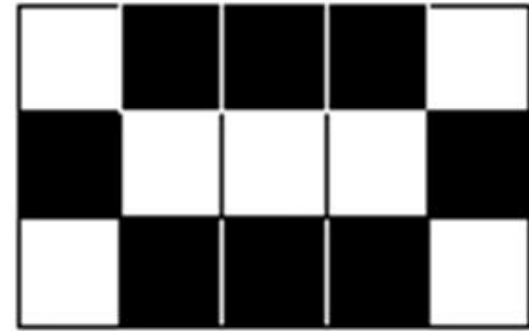
A sequence of patterns uses black squares and white squares.
Here are the first three patterns.



Pattern 1



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1 Complete the table.

	1	2	3	4	5
White	5	6	7		
Black	4	6			

2 What is the term to term rule for the black squares?

Extra

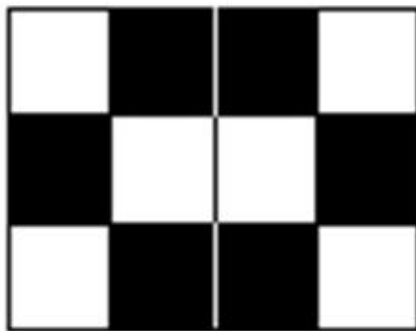
3 Let n be the pattern number, what is the rule for the n th term? (black)

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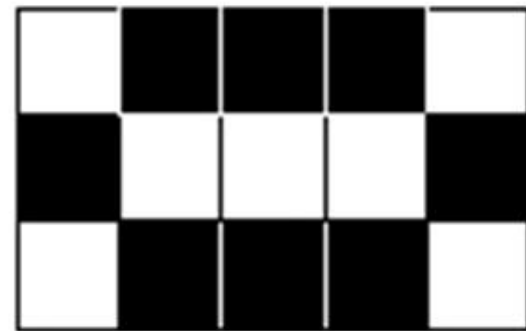
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1 Complete the table.

	1	2	3	4	5
White	5	6	7	8	9
Black	4	6	8	10	12

2 What is the term to term rule for the black squares? **Add 2**

Extra

3 Let n be the pattern number, what is the rule for the n th term? **$2n + 2$**

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Here is a rule for a sequence.

After the first two terms, each term is half the sum of the previous two terms.

Here is a sequence that follows this rule.

2 10 6

- 1 Show that the 6th term is the first one that is **not** a whole number.

A different sequence follows the **same rule**.

The 1st term is **4**

The 3rd term is **9.5**

4 9.5

- 2 Work out the 2nd term.

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..... 7.5

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The 3rd term is 9.5

4 15 9.5

$$\frac{4+x}{2} = 9.5 \quad \times 2$$

$$4 + x = 19$$

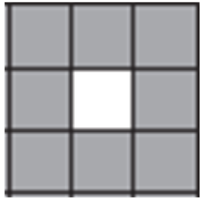
- 2 Work out the 2nd term.

$$x = 15 \quad - 4$$

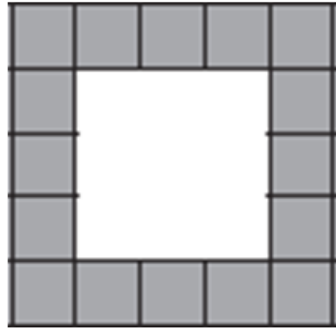
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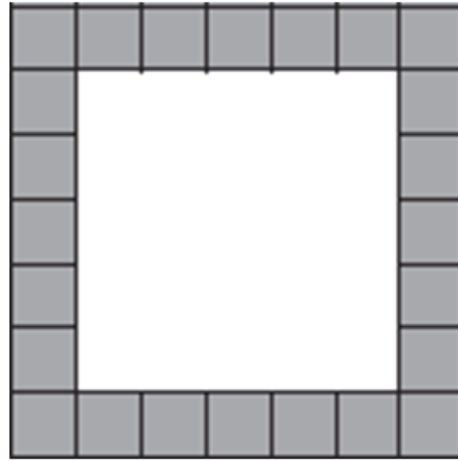
Here is a sequence of patterns.



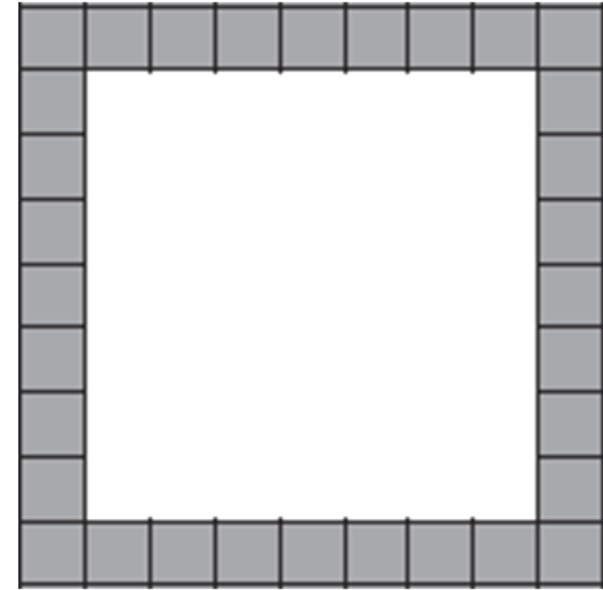
Pattern 1



Pattern 2



Pattern 3



Pattern 4

1 Complete the table.

	Pattern 1	Pattern 2	Pattern 3	Pattern 4
Number of shaded squares	8			



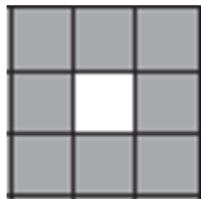
How many shaded squares are in Pattern 7? **Do not draw it!**

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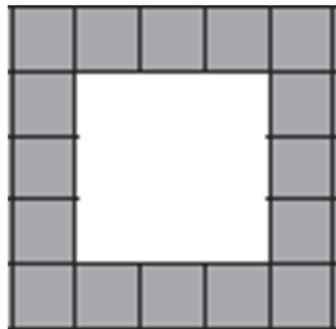
Method 2

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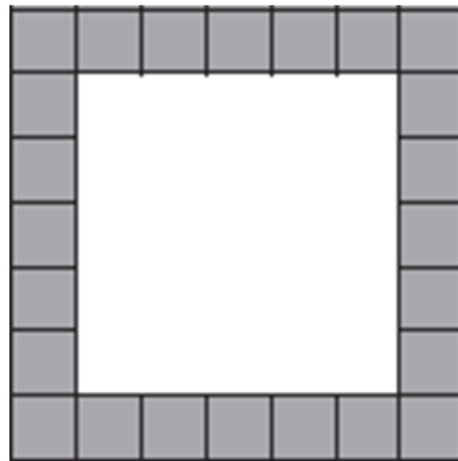
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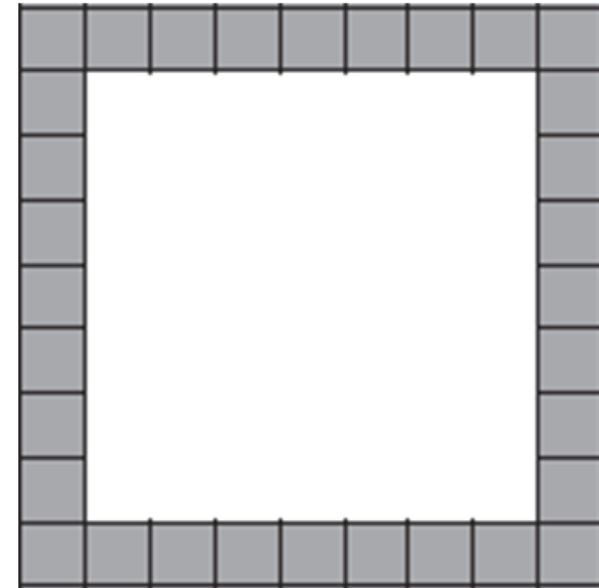
Pattern 1



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Pattern 3



Pattern 4

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	Pattern 1	Pattern 2	Pattern 3	Pattern 4
Number of shaded squares	8	16	25	32



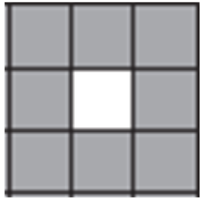
How many shaded squares are in Pattern 7?

56

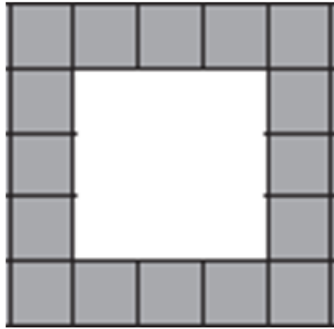
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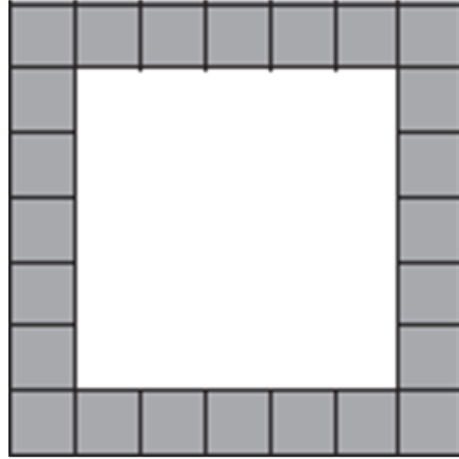
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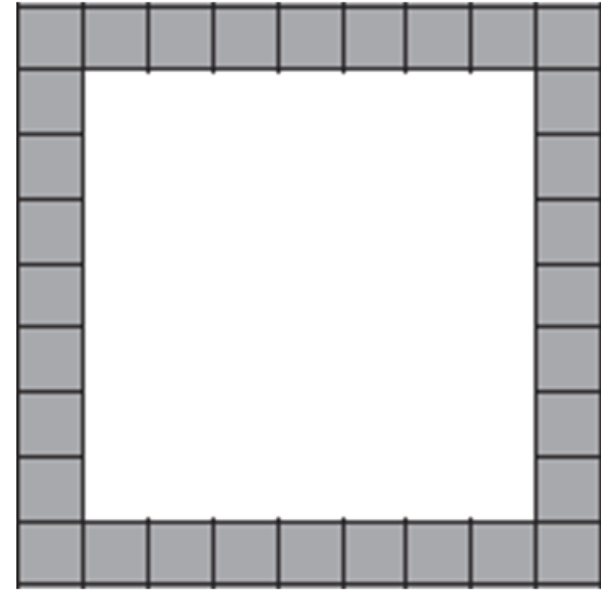
Pattern 1



Pattern 2



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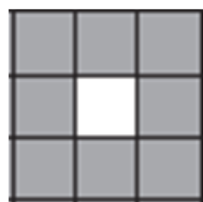
Pattern 4

Pattern	1	2	3	4	n
Square	$3^2 = 9$				
Centre	$1^2 = 1$				
Shaded	8				

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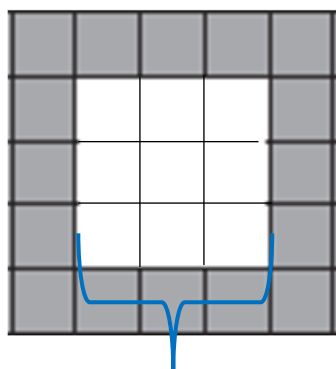
Here is a sequence of patterns.



3 units across

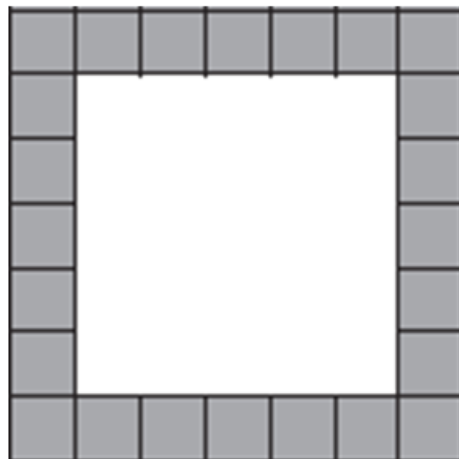
$x2 + 1$

Pattern 1

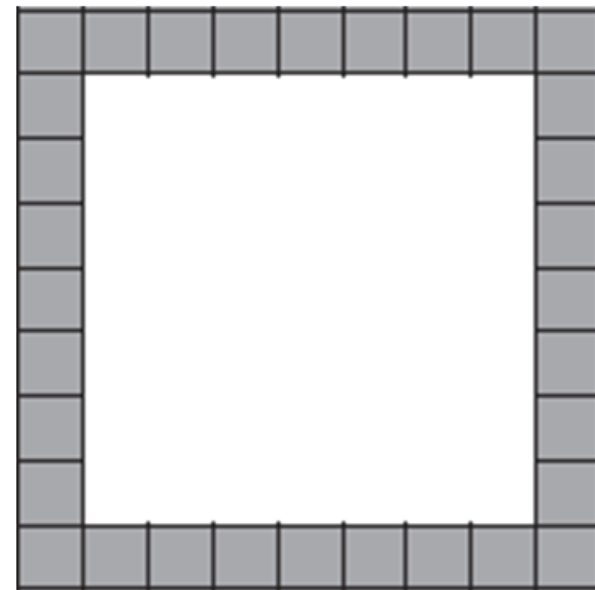


3 units across
 $x2 - 1$

Pattern 2



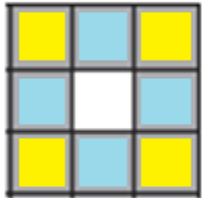
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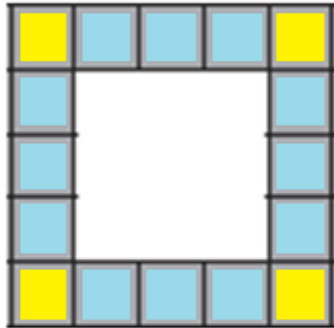
Pattern 4

Pattern	1	2	3	4	n
Square	$3^2 = 9$	$5^2 = 25$	$7^2 = 49$	$9^2 = 81$	$(2n+1)^2$
Centre	$1^2 = 1$	$3^2 = 9$	$5^2 = 25$	$7^2 = 49$	$(2n-1)^2$
Shaded	8	16	24	32	$(2n+1)^2 - (2n-1)^2$

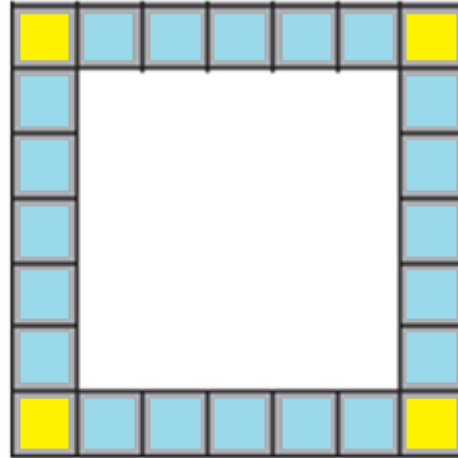
$$(2 \times 7 + 1)^2 - (2 \times 7 - 1)^2 = 56$$



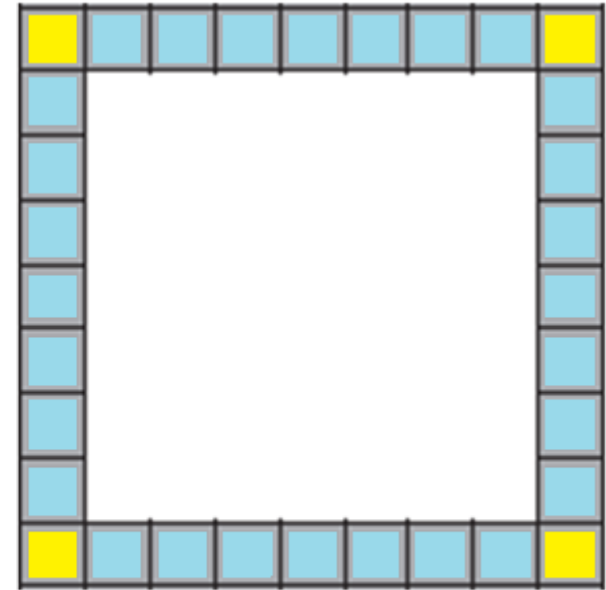
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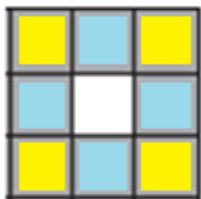


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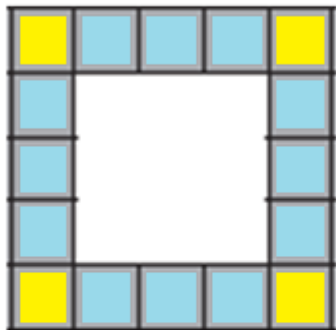


Pattern 4

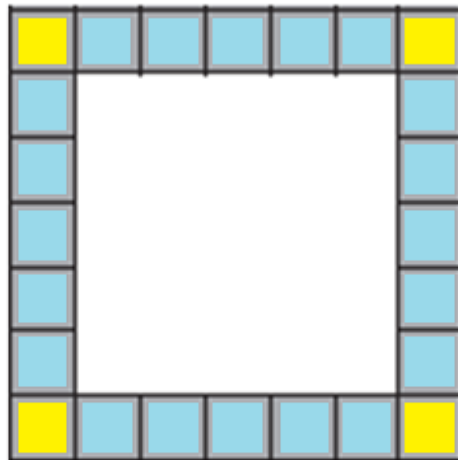
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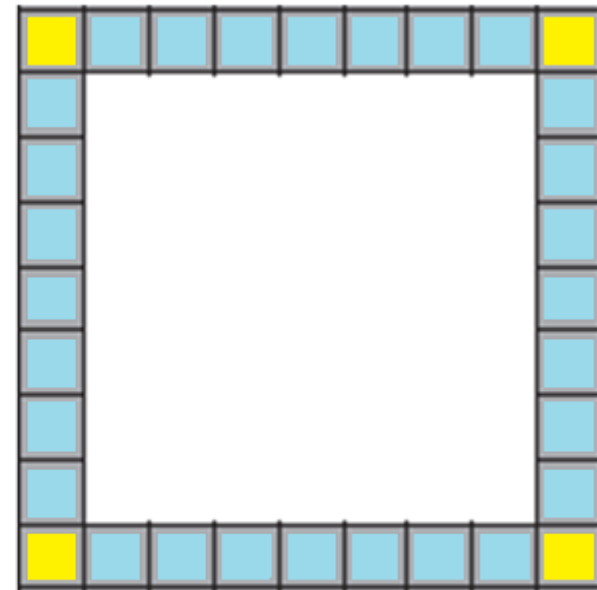
Pattern 1



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To get from the pattern number to the number of blue squares across you times by 2 and subtract 1.

$$2n - 1$$

$$2 \times 7 - 1 = 13$$

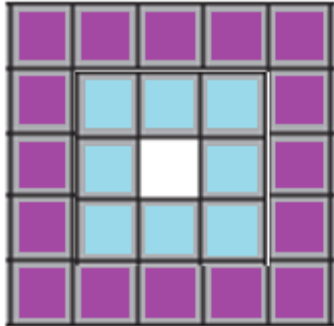
There is always 4 yellow squares in the corners.

Four sides

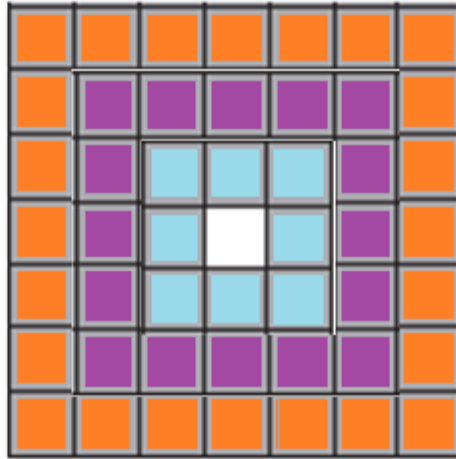
$$4 \times 13 + 4 = 56$$



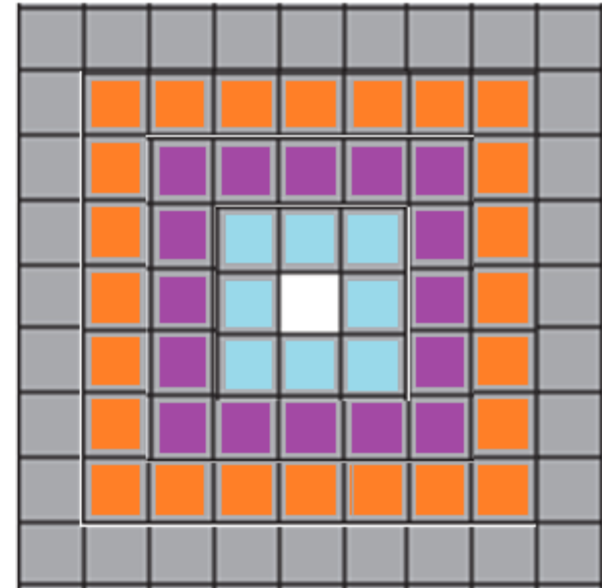
Pattern 1



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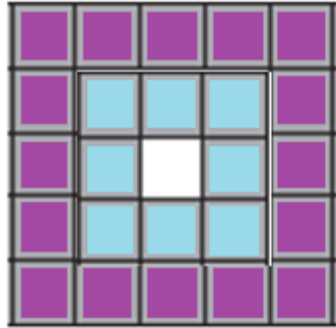


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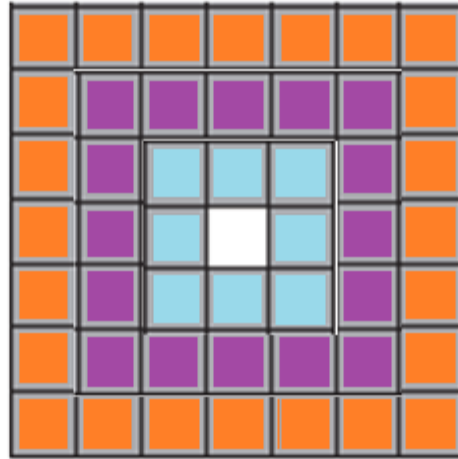
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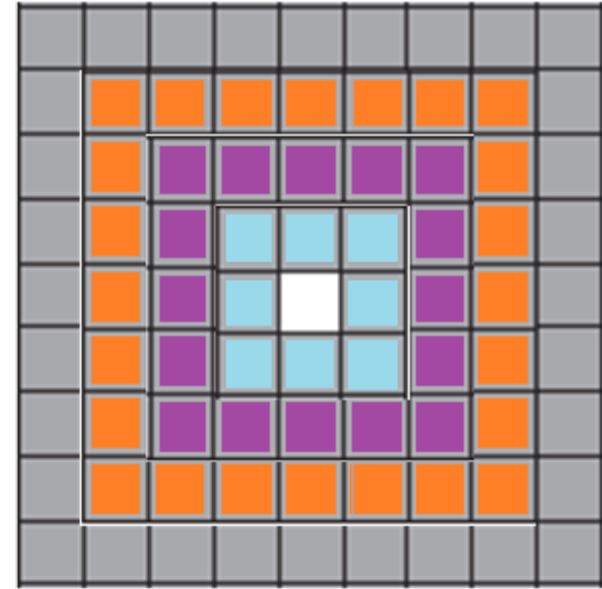
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Pattern 4

The squares fit inside each other. So if you subtract the square before you get the number of shaded squares.

To get from the pattern number to the number of squares across you times by 2 and add 1.

$$2n + 1$$

$$6^{\text{th}} \quad 2 \times 6 + 1 = 13$$

$$7^{\text{th}} \quad 2 \times 7 + 1 = 15$$

$$15^2 - 13^2$$

$$= 56$$

End of the lesson

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Well done for completing the lesson.



Reflections