

## Chapter 1

### 1.1 Solving problem by Inductive Reasoning

#### Inductive Reasoning

Making a conclusion (conjecture) from repeated observations of specific examples

(The conjecture may/may not be true)

#### Deductive Reasoning

applying general principles to specific examples

#### Example

use inductive reasoning to determine the probable next number in the list

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Ⓐ  $5, 9, 13, 17, 21, 25, 29, \boxed{33}$

Ⓑ  $1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, \boxed{34}$

② predict the next multiplication fact in the list

$$37 \times 3 = 111$$

$$37 \times 6 = 222$$

$$37 \times 9 = 333$$

$$37 \times 12 = 444$$

$$\boxed{37 \times 15 = 555}$$

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$$9 \times 1 = 09$$

$$9 \times 2 = 18$$

$$9 \times 3 = 27$$

$$9 \times 4 = 36$$

$$9 \times 5 = 45$$

$$9 \times 6 = 54$$

$$9 \times 7 = 63$$

$$9 \times 8 = 72$$

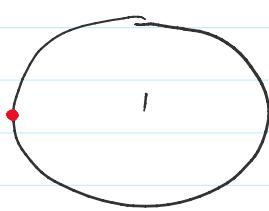
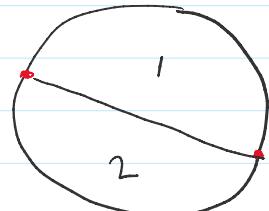
$$9 \times 9 = 81$$

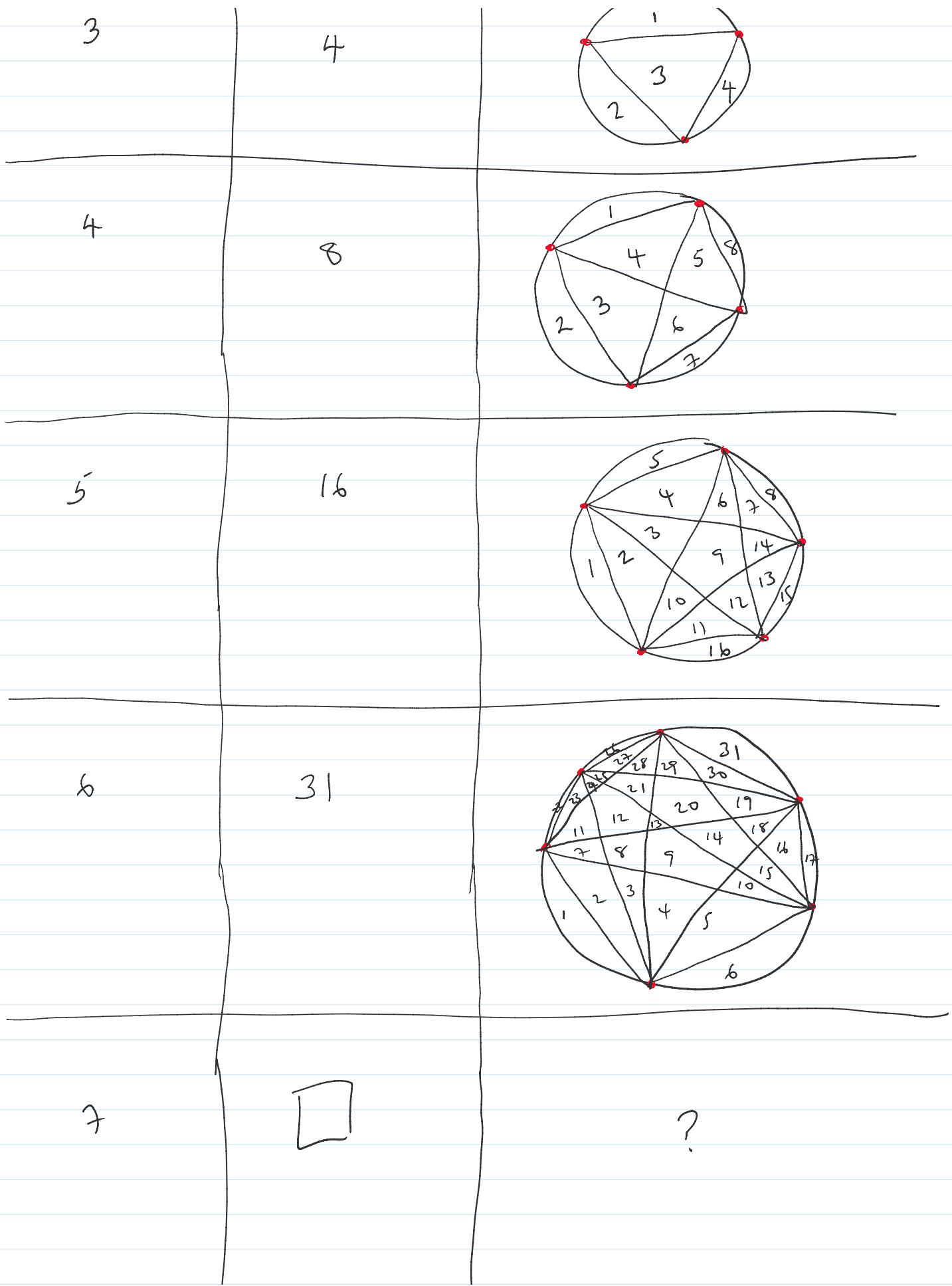
$$9 \times 10 = 90$$

Inductive Reasoning is not without pitfalls

Consider the following example

Finding the maximum # of regions formed when chords are constructed in a circle

# of Points	# of Regions	
1	1	
2	2	
3	4	

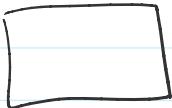


Inductive Reasoning suggest 32 regions, but we found 31 regions when we draw chords using 6 points on the circle

### Question

How many number of regions in a circle if we use 7 points

Answer



Consider the list

1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 31,   

### Example of deductive reasoning

1. All men are mortal, Socrates is a man  
Therefore Socrates is mortal

### Classwork

1. Determine the most probable next term in each of the following list of numbers

(a) 1 3 5 7 9

⑨  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{7}{8}, \frac{9}{10}, \boxed{\frac{11}{12}}$

⑩  $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{5}{7}, \frac{7}{9}, \frac{9}{11}, \boxed{\frac{11}{13}}$