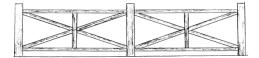


Patterns function and rate

Questions:

1. A fence is made as shown in the picture below. Between every fence post there are five pieces of wood securing the area between the posts.



a) Complete the table below:

Number of posts (Input)	1	2	3	4	5	7	9		23
Pieces of wood in between	0	5	10	15				70	
(output)									

- b) Write down a rule that represents the number of wood pieces in between in terms of the number of posts.
- c) How many posts will be necessary to use 200 pieces of in between wood for fencing?
- d) Draw a sketch that illustrates this relationship.
- 2. Joyce rode her bicycle for a period of 2½ hours at an average speed of 24 km per hour.
 - a) Complete the table below:

Number of hours riding the bike	1	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4	5	8
Total distance covered	24	36	48						

- b) Draw a graph that represents the time Joyce was on her bicycle on the horizontal axis and the total distance she travelled on the vertical axis.
- c) Use the graph to predict how long it will take her to ride a distance of 53 km.



Solution

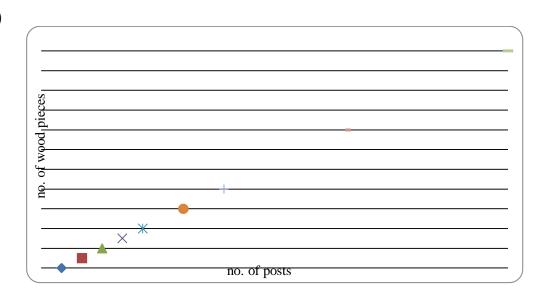
1. a)

Number of posts (Input)	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	15	23
Pieces of wood in between (output)	0	5	10	15	20	30	40	70	110

b) No. of wood pieces = (no. of post -1) \times 5 or No. of wood pieces = $5 \times$ no. of posts -5

c) no. of wood pieces = 5(no. of posts -1) 200 = 5(no. of posts -1) $\frac{200}{5} = \frac{5$ (no. of posts -1) 40 = no. of posts - 1no. of posts = 40 + 1 = 41

d)

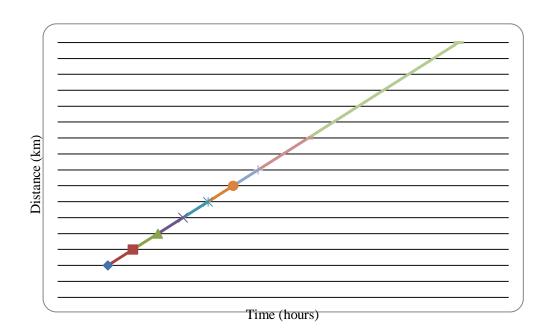


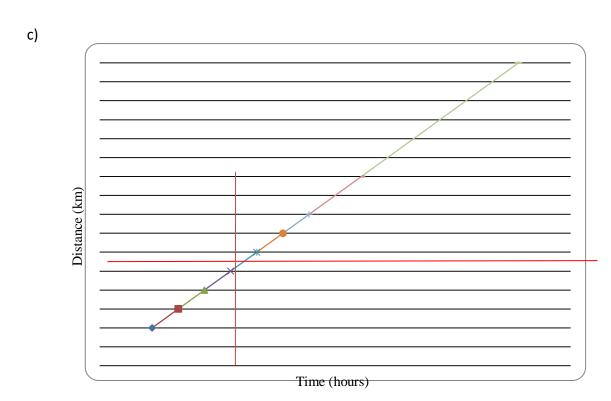
2. a)

Number of hours riding the bike	1	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4	5	8
Total distance covered	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	120	192









Therefore the time is approximately 2.10 hours = 2 hours and 6 minutes.



It is important to see that these points are discrete and that the curve will not be continuous. You cannot have two and a half posts.

The interpretation of the average speed of 24km/h in this problem must be made very explicit.

Appendix of Assignment Tools

Number Pattern
Generalised number
Graphs of functions
Input / Output
Graphs
Functions
Input / Output relationships in graphs
Distance, Speed and Time relationships