

# ECEN 227 - Introduction to Finite Automata and Discrete Mathematics

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# Talk Overview

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- 2 Recurrence relations
- 3 Summation

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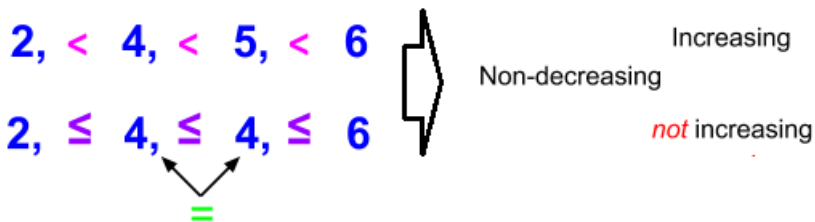
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**Ex.**

- Initial term ( $a_0$ ) = 4,
- Common Ratio ( $r$ ) =  $1/2$
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- $a_0=1000$  is the initial balance in the account, and  $a_n$  is the balance in the account after  $n$  months of earning interest. Each month, the balance in the account is 1.005 times the amount that was in the account in the previous month.
- The sequence  $a_n$  is a geometric sequence with  $a_n = 1000 \times (1.005)^n$

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# Arithmetic vs Geometric Sequence

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$n^{\text{th}}$ term iterative	$a_n = a_0 + d \times n$	$a_n = a_0 \times r^n$
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$$a_0 = \$20000$$

$$a_n = (1.0025) \times a_{n-1} - 500$$

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