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Abstract

Two sequences of activities were developed to provide instruction on the algorithms for addition and subtraction of two-digit numbers. In the integrated sequence (I) the mechanics of "carrying" and "borrowing" were treated as a single process "regrouping." In the sequential treatment (S) the addition algorithm was developed before the subtraction algorithm.

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Introduction

The purpose of this study was to compare the relative effectiveness of two instructional sequences designed to teach the addition and subtraction algorithms for two-digit whole numbers. One of these sequences is the traditional sequence of addition followed by subtraction; the other sequence is an integrated presentation of the two tasks. Each sequence was embodied in a set of instructional activities that were used with a randomly selected group of second-grade children.

Data was gathered periodically during instruction and near the completion of the set of activities. Item sampling was used to obtain the periodic measures, but the final test was a conventional test of ability to use the algorithms. Comparisons between the groups were made by testing for differences in the estimated group mean achievement profiles and by testing for differences in group mean performance on the conventional test.

Context of the Study

This study is one of several studies on instructional problems being conducted by the staff of the Analysis of Mathematics Instruction (AMI) Project of the Wisconsin Research and Development Center for Cognitive Learning.

Romberg and Harvey (1969) outlined a curriculum development plan in which a hierarchy of behaviors is used to provide focal points for instructional activities. In general the hierarchy is followed from the bottom up, but the behaviors rather than being attacked one at a time are grouped. Activities are then written to enable the children to achieve the entire set. This development plan is being used to

construct a new elementary mathematics curriculum titled Developing Mathematical Processes (DMP).

The content elements to be sequenced are the behaviors, and the embodiments of these behaviors are activities that may encompass several behaviors. The questions of sequencing concern how behaviors are grouped together, and how the groups of behaviors are sequenced. In particular, the problems have nothing to do with the sequencing of frames as in some programmed instruction approaches or with the ordering of examples and rules. While behaviors are probably mastered one at a time, this grouping of behaviors allows the designation of behaviors as preparatory, mastery, or review with respect to a given activity. An activity may be discovery oriented, expository oriented, or any point in between. It may be designated for a single child or for groups of children. Some activities used in this study are appended to this report.

Related Research

Research relating to the use of integrated sequences has been reported by Newton and Hickey (1965), Short and Haughey (1967), and Gray (1970). While all three of these studies provide evidence to support the use of integrated sequences only the last two involve grade school subjects. Only the last two studies will be reviewed here.

Short and Haughey (1967) compared the results of using sequences generated by means of a multiple-concept sequencing strategy with sequences generated using a single-concept sequencing strategy. These strategies are defined as follows.

"The multiple-concept strategy presents simple descriptions of several related concepts at the beginning of instruction. Increasingly complex material pertaining to all these concepts is then gradually introduced."

"The single-concept strategy presents one concept at a time, proceeding from a simple description of the single concept to more complex descriptions of the same concept. After the concept has been presented in all its detail and complexity, a second concept is introduced, described in detail, and then a third concept is introduced, etc."

The type of task used by Short and Haughey is identified as a multiple-discrimination. A multiple-discrimination task is characterized as a task where "a student learns to make different responses to similar stimuli that previously evoked an undifferentiated response." (Short and Haughey, 1967). The content for their study was taken from both science concepts and language arts concepts; programmed materials were used with fifth-grade subjects.

The results were summarized by stating: "All comparisons of student performance favored the groups receiving the multiple-concept sequence." However, only the science materials produced differences that were regarded as statistically significant.

Gray (1970) reports the relative effects on acquisition and retention of mathematics and science behaviors by fifth-grade children that resulted from using an integrated and a non-integrated learning sequence. The content was identified as three quantitative science

behaviors. A task analysis identified a total of twenty-five behavioral objectives involving both mathematics and science behaviors; the two sequences were selected from this hierarchy. One sequence separated all of the mathematics behaviors from the science behaviors and taught the former first. The other sequence was integrated with respect to these two sets of behaviors so as to emphasize the relationships among the two sets of behaviors. Both sequences of behaviors were incorporated in lessons to be taught in 12 class sessions. Measures of achievement were taken the day following completion of the lessons and again nine weeks later. An analysis of variance was used to test for differences in acquisition and retention of the behaviors. With reference to this analysis Gray concluded "that the integrated learning sequence was generally superior to the non-integrated sequence in facilitating acquisition of the mathematical behaviors for the population defined in this study." No differences in "the rate of forgetting" were observed.

Summary

Prior evidence supports the use of a multiple-task sequencing strategy for constructing instructional sequences for children of the fifth grade level, but the evidence is not without qualification. While Short and Haughey deal specifically with multiple discrimination tasks it is not clear that Gray's study involved only such tasks. However, it is clear that Gray did not deal specifically with procedural chains.

To make the difference between multiple discriminations and procedural chains clear the following definition adapted from Suppes

(1969) is proposed. A procedural chain is a finite sequence of instructions that can be mechanically followed to completion. The difference between a multiple-discrimination and a procedural chain is in the responses required. The response to a multiple-discrimination stimuli is to classify or identify the stimuli, or perhaps even to initiate some action as a result of the classification made. The response to the stimuli of a procedural chain is to initiate and carry out a sequence of responses where the result of one response together with the initial stimuli determine what the next response is to be.

Prior available evidence concerning the use of integrated sequences does not relate directly to subjects in the age range 7-9 years or to tasks of the kind represented by the algorithms in question. It seems clear that the algorithms must certainly be classified as procedural chains as opposed to concepts or multiple-discriminations.

Instructional Sequence Construction

The construction of an instructional sequence involves analyzing the content into elements (concepts, behaviors, frames, etc.) and determining the order in which the learner is to interact with them. Accordingly an instructional sequence is defined as the elements of content in the order in which the learner is to interact with them.

One method of selecting elements of content and establishing guidelines for sequencing them that has found acceptance is task analysis (e.g., Gagne, 1968; Kersh, 1967; Gray, 1970). The analysis of the content results in a set of behavioral objectives (behaviors) arranged in a hierarchy indicating judged dependency relationships among the behaviors; ie. behavior x is dependent on behavior y if

y is judged to be a prerequisite behavior of x.

An instructional sequence may be formed from a hierarchy by grouping the behaviors into ordered sets (hereafter called tasks) and then ordering the tasks. When behaviors of one task are prerequisite to behaviors of another task, the first task may be called subordinate to the second and the instructional order is indicated. Presumably if two tasks should appear as subordinate to each other, a regrouping of the behaviors is necessary to eliminate such cases. If two tasks, X and Y, are not in a subordinate relationship they will be called coordinate tasks, and their order is not indicated by the hierarchy. The immediate possibilities are X then Y, and Y then X; however, it may be reasonable to integrate the tasks X and Y to form a new task, Z.

The integration of coordinate tasks is particularly attractive when the behaviors of the tasks are related in ways that may not be indicated by the hierarchy. For example they may have similar stimuli, similarities in the responses required, or they may have nondependent relationships in the logical structure of the content involved; many of these facts would not be reflected in the behavioral hierarchy.

Heimer (1969) identified four issues relating to the use of learning hierarchies. These are: "1) How is a learning hierarchy constructed and under what conditions is one considered valid? 2) What is the relationships between an hypothesized learning hierarchy and the associated presentation sequence for instruction? 3) What are the "intellectual skills" that make up a learning hierarchy? 4) What is the connection, if any, between the (logical) structure of the content and the design of the associated learning hierarchy?" This study bears particularly on the second issue.

The Instructional Sequences

For this study the coordinate tasks are the two sets of behaviors associated with learning the usual algorithms for addition and subtraction of two two-digit whole numbers. An earlier study (Romberg and Planert, 1970) indicated that children experienced much more difficulty in learning the subtraction algorithm than they did in learning the addition algorithm when they followed the traditional instructional sequence. This difficulty was expressed in either more instructional time required to get reasonable proficiency or failure to get group proficiency at all.

The usual addition and subtraction algorithms are related in several ways both in terms of similarity of behaviors and in relationships in the mathematics involved. However, no dependency relationships are shown in the tasks analysis above certain common prerequisites (see Appendix A). Thus, the sets of behaviors associated with learning the two algorithms can be considered coordinate. The behaviors associated with learning the addition algorithm will be called X and those associated with learning the subtraction algorithm will be called Y. The usual order of teaching these algorithms is the instructional sequence X followed by Y, but the usual sequence is not the only reasonable sequence that could be constructed with respect to this hierarchy. In fact, as an alternative, an integrated sequence in which the algorithms would be introduced and developed together was suggested for the following reasons:

- 1) Instruction to this point in the experience of these children had emphasized the introduction and development of addition and subtraction together.
- 2) The regrouping associated with the addition algorithm as "carrying" is the reverse of the regrouping associated with subtraction as "borrowing".

- 3) Addition and subtraction of whole numbers are both counting processes.
- 4) Addition and subtraction as mathematics operations are inverses.
- 5) Expanded notation forms the basis of the development for both algorithms.
- 6) The common mechanical characteristics of "begin at the right", and vertical form suggest a parallel development of the algorithms.

Two sets of activities labeled S (for the standard addition then subtraction sequence) and I (for the integrated sequence) were accordingly developed; both with the common goal of providing instruction in the usual algorithms for addition and subtraction of two-digit whole numbers. The I activities can be characterized as a set of activities in which the algorithms are presented and developed concurrently. All daily activities place approximately equal emphasis on the operations of addition and subtraction. The mechanics and mathematics of "carrying" and "borrowing" are treated as a single entity, "regrouping".

The S activities were formed by separating each activity of I into an addition and subtraction component; each component was then completed to form a separate activity. The resulting activities were ordered in such a way that all of the addition activities were completed before the subtraction activities were begun. No mention of subtraction is to be found in the addition activities of S, but one or two addition items are included in each subtraction activity for the sole purpose of skill maintenance; however, no instruction in addition was intended during the course of the subtraction activities. The time of instruction, 20 days, was determined by the time required to complete the activities provided. (A sample of these materials appears in Appendix B.)

Since the sequence I emphasizes relationships the sequence S does not even note, it could be argued that use of the integrated instructional sequence would result in higher achievement levels with the algorithms in general, and with the subtraction algorithm in particular, than would result from using S. Additionally, what research evidence there is does support the use of integrated sequences in general. On the other hand, since the relationship between the sets of behaviors are not dependence relationships, each algorithm can be learned without reference to the other. Furthermore, previous research with integrated sequences says nothing specifically about subjects in the age range 7-9 nor about integrating tasks where the tasks are procedural chains. Integrating the two sets of behaviors might cause interference in the learning of two somewhat similar procedural chains that differ at crucial points.

Thus, while the evidence is scant, there was reason to examine whether or not an integrated instruction sequence for the algorithms might produce higher proficiency than the usual and somewhat unsatisfactory standard sequence.

Experimental Design

The experimental design used to compare the two sequences is diagrammed in Figure 1.

| Group | Assignment | Treatment | Observation |
|-------|------------|-----------|-------------|
| I | R | (I) | $0_a + 0_b$ |
| S | R | (S) | $0_a + 0_b$ |

Figure 1

Experimental Design to Compare Integrated (I) and Sequential (S) Instructional Treatments on the Addition and Subtraction Algorithms

This design is a "true experimental design" (Campbell and Stanley, 1965) used to compare treatments.

Subjects

The subjects were the students of 3 second-grade classes at Randall Elementary School, Madison, Wisconsin, during the spring semester, 1970-71. Randall is a school in a well established residential neighborhood. The parents of the children are largely professionally employed. All students had been participating in the tryout of materials for DMP. Two of these classes were brought together in terms of the prerequisites of the unit to be taught. The students were randomly reassigned to two groups to be taught by the two teachers who had been working with these children prior to reassignment. One of these groups was assigned to the sequential program (group S) and the other to the integrated program (group I). Group S contained 24 subjects and group I 25. The teachers, were then randomly assigned to teach the two groups. These experimental groups began work on the same day at the same hour and maintained this relationship throughout the course of the study. This control of history was considered highly desirable since performance profiles were to be compared. Both Groups I and S were judged by their teachers to have completed the activities by the 20th day of instruction.

A third class also experienced the integrated sequence. Data obtained from this group was used to check on the reactivity of the profile generating tests, and to check on the general feasibility of using the sequence I. (Romberg and Wiles, 1972.)

Observations

Both growth in ability to use the two algorithms and terminal performance were of interest. To examine growth (O_n) item sampling was employed (Lord and Novick, 1968). A 45 item pool consisting of 22 addition problems and 23 subtraction problems was partitioned via stratified random sampling into 9 forms of 5 items each. (The forms are found in Appendix C.)

The partitioning was subject to the constraints that each form contain at least 2 addition and 2 subtraction problems, exactly one verbal problem, at least one item requiring regrouping, and at least one item that does not require regrouping. The nine forms were randomly sequenced and those children who worked on these forms were randomly assigned a beginning point in the sequence in such a way that each form was used with nearly the same frequency.

The forms were administered by the teachers during the first part of the period beginning with the fifth instructional day and again every third instructional day. An instructional day was any day that arithmetic was taught. Each child was allowed three minutes to work on the form which he may or may not have completed in the time allotted. His instructions were to do as well as he could but that he may not have time to complete the form. The group means that were estimated from this data were plotted across time yielding an addition and subtraction profile for each group during instruction. All of the children in groups S and I worked on these test forms. Neither the children nor the teachers were informed of the correctness of any student responses prior to the end of the study. At that time summary reports of group performance were made available to the teachers.

To test terminal performance on the day following the 17th instructional day, all children in each group were administered a 20 item test (O_b) by their teachers for which they were allowed 15 minutes to complete. Ten of these items are addition examples, 5 of which require "carrying", and ten are subtraction examples, 5 of which require "borrowing" in the usual algorithms. (See Appendix C for a copy of this test.) The 20 items were randomly ordered on the test form.

Conduct of the Study

During the course of instruction the teachers were instructed to keep a log of the activities being worked on each day along with any observations or personal judgments they felt should be noted. The investigator and other observers from the developmental staff of the project visited the classrooms at unannounced times (at least once a week) to verify that assigned programs were being followed. The personal judgments of all involved were that the experimental groups followed very closely both the prepared activities and the general intent of the two programs.

The Data

The data is reported in two sections; the data from O_a followed by the data from O_b . The means reported for O_a are estimates based upon the scores of the individuals on the various forms. The significance tests reported are ruled significant if $p < .05$ and marginally significant if $.10 < p < .05$.

Data on observations O_a . These are the scores from the periodic observations. All forms of the item sampled test were used at each administration with each group in approximately equal numbers. If a child missed an administration an estimated score was provided for him based upon his standing within the group at other administrations; eight such estimates out of a total of 294 scores were made. No more than 2 estimates of individuals' scores were necessary at any administration. Group addition, subtraction, and total scores at each administration are estimates formed by averaging the scores of the individuals of the group without regard for the test form used. The addition and subtraction scores are reported as proportions of unity. The total is the sum of these proportions. These data are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1

Estimated Means and Total Means for Each Administration
of O_a by Operation for the Integrated and Sequential Treatment Groups

| | | Administration | | | | | | |
|-----------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| Treatment | | A ₁ | A ₂ | A ₃ | A ₄ | A ₅ | A ₆ | Total |
| I N=25 | + | .44 | .46 | .47 | .62 | .63 | .65 | 3.27 |
| | - | .29 | .25 | .35 | .29 | .43 | .36 | 1.96 |
| | Total | .73 | .71 | .82 | .91 | 1.05 | 1.01 | 5.23 |
| S N=24 | + | .53 | .75 | .61 | .69 | .67 | .74 | 3.99 |
| | - | .33 | .35 | .33 | .49 | .47 | .53 | 2.50 |
| | Total | .85 | 1.10 | .94 | 1.18 | 1.14 | 1.27 | 6.49 |

The data for group I are summarized in Figure 2.

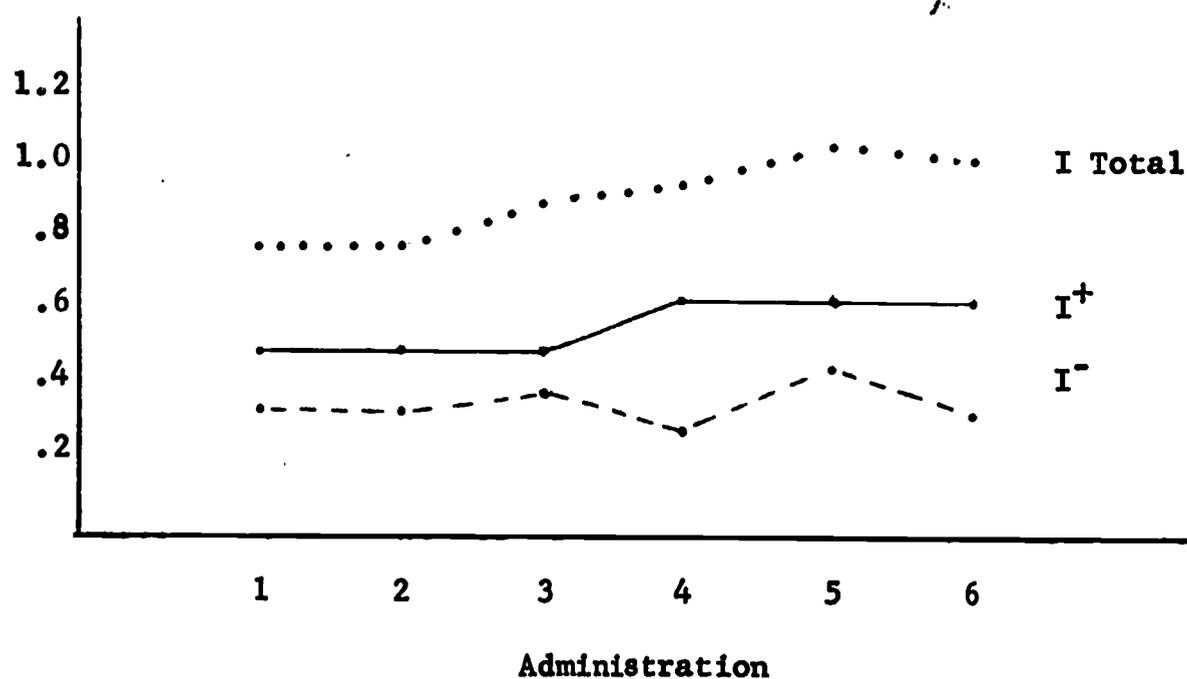


Figure 2

Profiles of Estimated Means on O_a by Administration
for the Integrated Treatment Group

Addition performance is seen to be superior to subtraction performance at all administrations, and apart from a noticeable increase in performance on addition between the third and fourth administrations, the curves are similar in appearance. The addition performance ranges from .44 to .65 and increases

steadily with administration. The subtraction performance varies from .25 to .43 and is not monotonically increasing.

The data for group S are summarized in Figure 3.

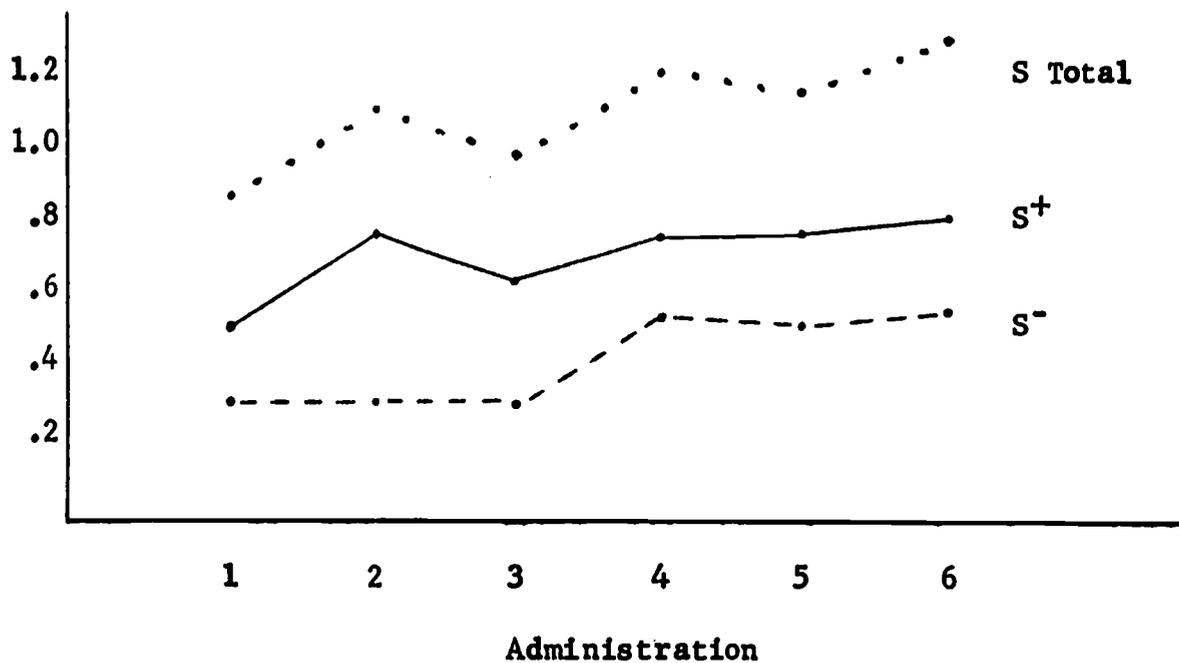


Figure 3

Profiles of Estimated Means on O_a by Administration
for the Sequential Treatment Group

For this group, as for I, the addition performance is superior to subtraction performance at all administrations. The addition scores range from .53 to .75 while the subtraction scores range from .33 to .53. It is regrettable that the first administration occurred as late as the fifth day, however, a noticeable jump in performance with respect to addition can still be observed between the first and second administrations. Following this jump addition performance is apparently stable near .75. The subtraction performance is stable at about .34 before the subtraction algorithm was studied, the performance increased between the third and fourth administrations to a level of about .50. It should be noted at this point that the 45 item test that is the basis for O_a contains some items that do not require knowledge of the algorithms to be done, indeed children who understand what is meant by addition, subtraction, and two-digit notation should be able to do many of these items if they were given enough time.

The effects of instruction are clearly discernable in the profiles of group S as their treatment began with instruction in the addition algorithm, and never mentioned subtraction until shortly after the third administration.

Figure 4 displays the addition profiles for the two groups. Differences apparently occur at the second administration; and though the differences are not always large, the scores for group S are superior to those for group I at all points.

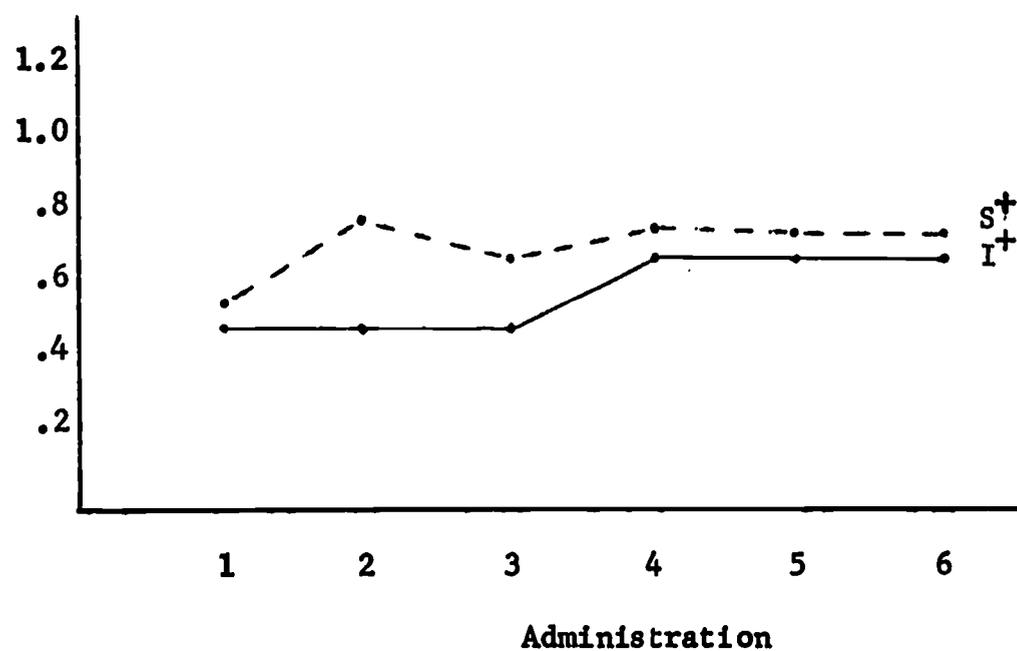


Figure 4

Profiles of Estimated Means on O_a by Administration
for Addition for the Integrated and Sequential Treatment Groups

Figure 5 displays the subtraction profiles for both groups. Important differences appear to occur at the fourth and sixth administrations; and again, all comparisons but one favor group S.

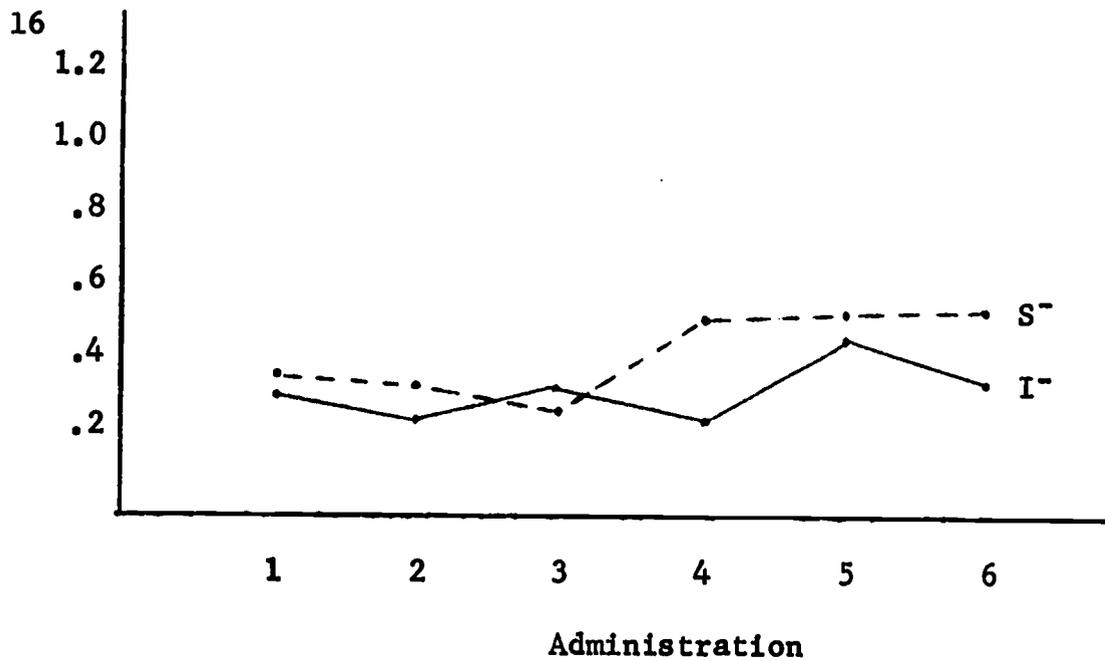


Figure 5

Profiles of Estimated Means on O_a by Administration for Subtraction for the Integrated and Sequential Treatment Groups

Data on Observation O_b . The data for O_b are mean scores for each group based upon the 20 item test that was administered to all of the students on the eighteenth instructional day. The 20 items are partitioned into 4 sets: addition-no carry (+NOC), addition-carry (+C), subtraction-no borrow (-NOB), and subtraction-borrow (-B); where each partition contains five items. The groups means are reported as they occurred in the range 0-5 in Table 2.

Table 2

Means on O_b by Operation and Regrouping for the Integrated and Sequential Treatment Groups

| | Addition | | | Subtraction | | | Total | | |
|-----------|----------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|-------|------------|---------|-------|
| | No Carry | Carry | Total | No Borrow | Borrow | Total | No Regroup | Regroup | Total |
| I N=25 | 4.12 | 2.60 | 6.72 | 3.24 | .88 | 4.12 | 7.36 | 3.48 | 10.84 |
| S N=23 | 4.35 | 3.09 | 7.44 | 3.39 | 1.39 | 4.78 | 7.74 | 4.48 | 12.22 |

A mastery transformation was also applied to the raw scores of each individual; a score of 4 or 5 was changed to 1, and a score in the range 0-3 was changed to 0. The means of the resulting transformed scores are reported in Table 3. All comparisons favor group S.

Table 3

Percent of Masters (80% Criteria) on O_b by Operation and Regrouping for the Integrated and Sequential Treatment Groups

| | Addition | | | Subtraction | | | Total | | |
|-----------|----------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|-------|------------|---------|-------|
| | No Carry | Carry | Total | No Borrow | Borrow | Total | No Regroup | Regroup | Total |
| I N=25 | .80 | .36 | .40 | .56 | .04 | .08 | .60 | .04 | .16 |
| S N=23 | .82 | .57 | .57 | .61 | .13 | .13 | .65 | .17 | .22 |

Hypotheses Concerning O_a . The hypotheses associated with O_a concern differences among means, the existence of trends across administrations, and hypotheses concerning the relative difficulty of the operations.

A. Differences Among Group Means on O_a .

The group means under consideration are the 12 estimated group means of addition and subtraction performance; two means for each of six administrations. The variables are labeled by administration and operation (e. g. 2 + is the estimated addition mean on the second administration.) The basic analysis is provided by a multi-variate analysis of variance in a repeated measures design and univariate analysis of variance for certain group comparisons of single scores. The hypotheses to be tested are:

H-1 The differences in group means on the 12 observations are not significantly different from zero.

H-2 The differences in total group means, on the 6 administrations are zero.

- H-3 The difference in the total group means summing across both operations and administrations is zero.
- H-4 The difference in group means for addition summed across administrations is zero.
- H-5 The difference in group means for subtraction summed across administrations is zero.

Table 4 contains the multivariate analysis of variance associated with hypothesis 1 as well as univariate tests of the differences between each of the 12 pairs of means. The multivariate test does not allow rejection of the hypothesis of no overall group differences in these means; however, if only the univariate F's are considered, the differences between groups for the variables 2+ and 6- are significant ($p < .05$), and the differences for 4- are marginally significant ($p < .0662$).

Table 4

Analysis of Variance of the Estimated Group Means on O_a
by Operation and Administration for Groups I and S

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= .9849 D.F.= 12. And 36.0000 P Less Than .4812 | | | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 1 + | .0943 | .6357 | .4293 |
| 2 2 + | 1.0298 | 7.1833 | .0102 |
| 3 3 + | .2325 | 1.4216 | .2392 |
| 4 4 + | .0679 | .5072 | .4799 |
| 5 5 + | .0196 | .1531 | .6974 |
| 6 6 + | .0979 | 1.1314 | .2930 |
| 7 1 - | .0193 | .1617 | .6895 |
| 8 2 - | .1245 | .8968 | .3485 |
| 9 3 - | .0050 | .0471 | .8292 |
| 10 4 - | .4871 | 3.5388 | .0662 |
| 11 5 - | .0254 | .2134 | .6463 |
| 12 6 - | .3739 | 5.2141 | .0270 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 47.

The MANOVA relating to H-2 is reported in Table 5. The multivariate F does not support the existence of overall differences across administrations, but in accordance with findings concerning H-1, the univariate differences are significant for the second administration ($p < .01$) and marginally so on the fourth ($p < .09$) and sixth ($p < .06$) administration.

Table 5

Analysis of Variance of the Estimated Group Means on O_a
Summed Across Operation by Administration for Groups I and S

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= 1.4342 D.F.= 6. And 42.0000 P Less Than .2246 | | | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 Sum 1 | .1990 | .6095 | .4389 |
| 2 Sum 2 | 1.8704 | 6.5838 | .0136 |
| 3 Sum 3 | .1691 | .4517 | .5049 |
| 4 Sum 4 | .9185 | 2.9434 | .0929 |
| 5 Sum 5 | .0896 | .2508 | .6189 |
| 6 Sum 6 | .8545 | 3.6828 | .0611 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 47.

Table 6 reports the ANOVA relating to H-3.

Table 6

Analysis of Variance of the Estimated Group Means on O_a
Summed Across Operations and Administrations for Groups I and S

| Variable | Mean Square | F | |
|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| Sum | 19.4229 | 3.8356 | $p < .0562$ |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 47.

The difference in the total performance summed across operation and administration is marginally significant ($p < .0562$) and favors group S.

The ANOVA's reported in Table 7 and Table 8 relate to H-4 and H-5 respectively.

Table 7

Analysis of Variance of the Estimated Group Means for Addition
on O_a Summed Across Administrations for Groups I and S

| Variable | Mean Square | F | |
|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| Sum + | 6.3380 | 3.9083 | $p < .0540$ |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 47.

Table 8

Analysis of Variance of the Estimated Group Means for Subtraction
on O_a Summed Across Administrations for Groups I and S

| Variable | Mean Square | F | |
|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| Sum - | 3.5706 | 2.3446 | $p < .1325$ |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 47.

While no significant group difference is seen in the total subtraction performance, the difference in total addition performance is marginally significant ($p < .0540$).

In summary, no group differences can be seen in the multivariate space defined by either the 12 estimated group means or the 6 total estimated group means. However, the differences in addition performance at the second administration and in subtraction performance at the sixth administration are significant when only the univariate F is considered; similarly the differences in subtraction at the fourth administration are marginally significant. The differences in total per-

formance that favor group S are marginally significant and appear to be primarily due to differences in addition performance.

B. Hypotheses Concerning Trends Shown by O_a

The major hypothesis examined is:

H-6 There are no polynomial trends of degree less than 6 across administrations.

The variables used in this trend analysis are contrasts to estimate various components of trend over administrations. The variables ADLI, ADQD, ADCU, ADQT, and ADQN refer to the variance accounted for by a linear component, by a quadratic component after the linear component is removed, by a cubic component after the linear and quadratic components are removed, etc. The MANOVA reported in Table 9 tests the probability that the five components account for none of the total variance.

Table 9

Analysis of Variance from Zero of the Polynomial Components of Trend
Across Administrations of O_a for the Total Estimated Means
Summed Across Groups and Operations

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= 4.0345 D.F.= 5. And 43.0000 P Less Than .0044 | | | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 AD LI | 4.2687 | 17.4365 | .0002 |
| 2 AD QD | .0013 | .0079 | .9294 |
| 3 AD CU | .0172 | .0942 | .7603 |
| 4 AD QT | .0992 | .4198 | .5202 |
| 5 AD QN | .2052 | .9690 | .3300 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 47.

The components are computed on the 6 means summing across groups and operations. The overall F requires that the null hypothesis be rejected ($p < .0044$). The univariate F's in Table 9 indicate that the linear component alone accounts for

significantly more than zero variance, while the other components do not. A MANOVA was accordingly done on the component space determined by ADQD, ADCU, ADQT, and ADQN: this is reported in Table 10. The hypothesis that the total variance accounted for by these components is zero cannot be rejected.

Table 10

Analysis of Variance from Zero of the Polynomial Components of Trend of Degree Greater than 1 Across Administrations of O_a for the Total Estimated Means Summed Across Groups and Operations

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= .3107 D.F.= 4. And 44.0000 P Less Than .8694 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 AD QD | .0013 | .0079 | .9294 |
| 2 AD CU | .0172 | .0942 | .7603 |
| 3 AD QT | .0992 | .4198 | .5202 |
| 4 AD QN | .2052 | .9690 | .3300 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 47.

Other tests were run to see if the trend components were different for groups or for operations with nonsignificant results.

In summary, there is a significant linear trend in the data that is not different for groups or for operations.

C. Hypotheses Concerning the Relative Difficulty of the Operations as Shown by O_a .

The hypotheses to be tested are:

H-7 The relative difficulty of the two operations is the same.

H-8 The relative difficulty of the two operations is the same over treatment.

Hypothesis H-7 is related to Table 11.

Table 11

Analysis of Variance from Zero of the Differences Between the Means of the Operation Scores Summed Across Groups by Administration of O_a

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= 15.5092 D.F.= 6. And 42.0000 P Less Than .0001 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 OP/AD1 | .3832 | 7.3304 | .0095 |
| 2 OP/AD2 | 1.0975 | 15.6643 | .0003 |
| 3 OP/AD3 | .5102 | 12.2659 | .0011 |
| 4 OP/AD4 | .9070 | 15.7202 | .0003 |
| 5 OP/AD5 | .4768 | 13.9480 | .0006 |
| 6 OP/AD6 | .7347 | 34.7736 | .0001 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 47.

The variables OP/AD1, OP/AD2,...OP/AD6 are the differences between the estimated means for addition and subtraction summing across groups at each administration (e. g. OP/AD1 is the difference between the total estimated addition mean and the total estimated subtraction mean on the first administration.) The overall F is significant ($p < .0001$) and the univariate F's at each administration are all significant beyond the .01 level. H-7 must be rejected.

The MANOVA of Table 12 and the ANOVA of Table 13 relate to hypothesis H-8. Table 12 reports the MANOVA related to that of Table 11 where instead of summing across groups, the variables are differences of group differences. There is no evidence that these differences are significantly different from zero.

Table 12

Analysis of Variance from Zero of the Differences of the Group Differences for Operations Means by Administration of O_a

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= .7235 D.F.= 6. And 42.0000 P Less Than .6331 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 OP/AD1 | .0071 | .1353 | .7147 |
| 2 OP/AD2 | .1096 | 1.5636 | .2174 |
| 3 OP/AD3 | .0765 | 1.8385 | .1817 |
| 4 OP/AD4 | .0478 | .8289 | .3673 |
| 5 OP/AD5 | .0001 | .0028 | .9584 |
| 6 OP/AD6 | .0223 | 1.0542 | .3098 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 47.

Table 13

Analysis of Variance from Zero of the Difference Between the Group Differences for Operations Summed Across Administrations of O_a

| Variable | Mean Square | F | |
|----------|-------------|-------|-----------|
| + VS - | .0986 | .3218 | p < .5733 |

The variable "+ VS -" of Table 13 is the result of subtracting the total addition and subtraction scores for each group, and then subtracting the differences. The null hypothesis is that "+ VS -" is zero; it cannot be rejected on the basis of the available evidence. H-8 cannot be rejected on the basis of the available evidence.

The Analysis of O_b . The hypotheses concerning the data from O_b are discussed in the following three categories: differences in group means, differences in group mastery, and differences in performance for the two operations.

A. Differences in Group Means in O_b .

The means under consideration are the four mean performances for each group

on the variables of O_b . The hypotheses to be tested are:

H-1 There are no differences in group performance on the four variables.

Table 14 contains the MANOVA relating to H-1; there is no reason to reject this hypothesis even though all differences do favor group S.

Table 14

Analysis of Variance of the Group Means on O_b for Groups I and S

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= .4793 D.F.= 4. And 43.0000 P Less Than .7507 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 + NO C | .6218 | .5311 | .4699 |
| 2 + C | 2.8406 | .9085 | .3455 |
| 3 - NO B | .2742 | .0876 | .7687 |
| 4 - B | 3.1317 | 1.6348 | .2075 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 46.

B. Differences in Group Mastery Shown By O_b .

The hypothesis of this section deals with the mastery data displayed in Table 3. The hypothesis to be tested is:

H-2 There are no differences between the two groups in the proportions of those who demonstrated mastery on the four variables of O_b .

Table 15 contains the MANOVA relating to this hypothesis. The variables: +NOCT2, +CT2, -NOBT2, and -BT2 are the proportions for: addition-no carry-mastery, addition-carrying-mastery, subtraction-no borrowing-mastery, and subtraction-borrowing-mastery respectively. Even though all comparisons favor group S, the difference cannot be regarded as significant.

Table 15

Analysis of Variance of Mastery Scores on O_b by Group

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= .6422 D.F.= 4. And 43.0000 P Less Than .6354 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 +NOCT2 | .0082 | .0513 | .8218 |
| 2 + CT2 | .5045 | 2.0335 | .1607 |
| 3 -NOBT2 | .0284 | .1123 | .7391 |
| 4 - BT2 | .0980 | 1.2628 | .2670 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 46.

C. Differences in Performance for the Two Operations Shown by O_b .

The hypotheses to be tested are:

H-3 There is no difference in performance for the two operations.

H-4 There is no difference in performance when regrouping is required or not required.

H-5 There is no difference in mastery performance for the two operations.

H-6 There is no difference in mastery performance when regrouping is required or not required.

H-3 and H-4 are related to the MANOVA shown in Table 16.

Table 16

Analysis of Variance of the Effects of Operation and Regrouping for the Data of O_b

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= 74.6879 D.F.= 3. And 44.0000 P Less Than .0001 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 + VS - | 82.6123 | 87.7548 | .0001 |
| 2 RVSOR | 152.7105 | 105.2092 | .0001 |
| 3 OP X R | 7.4680 | 5.0187 | .0300 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 46.

Table 17

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Analysis of Variance of the Differences in Group Means on O_b by Operation and Regrouping

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= .4793 D.F.= 4. And 43.0000 P Less Than .7507 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 MEAN | 1.4204 | 1.0400 | .3132 |
| 2 + VS - | .0082 | .0087 | .9263 |
| 3 RVS NOR | 1.1480 | .7909 | .3785 |
| 4 OP X R | .0305 | .0205 | .8869 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 46.

The variable + VS - is the difference between the mean for addition and the mean for subtraction, RVS NOR is the difference between the mean for regrouping and the mean for non-regrouping, and OP x R is the interaction between + VS - and RVS NOR; these variables are summed across both groups. The multivariate space determined by these variables is not zero ($p < .0001$), and both of the main effects are significant ($p < .0001$). Consequently both H-3 and H-4 are rejected. A rather curious finding here is that the interaction between the main effects of regrouping and operation is significant ($p < .03$); while this effect is small with respect to the main effects, it is not zero.

In accordance with the findings regarding H-1, Table 17 shows that the effects noted above are not different for the groups.

Table 18

Analysis of Variance of the Effects of Operation and Regrouping for the Mastery Transformation of O_b Data

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= 39.8933 D.F.= 3. And 44.0000 P Less Than .0001 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 OP T2 | 4.4004 | 46.5940 | .0001 |
| 2 R T2 | 8.6461 | 58.0724 | .0001 |
| 3 INT T2 | .2649 | 2.2404 | .1413 |

Table 19

Analysis of Variance of the Differences in Means for
Group Mastery on O_p by Operation and Regrouping

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= .6155 D.F.= 4. And 43.0000 P Less Than .6539 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 MEANT2 | .0326 | .3464 | .5591 |
| 2 OP T2 | .0052 | .0551 | .8154 |
| 3 R T2 | .2552 | 1.7141 | .1970 |
| 4 INT T2 | .0469 | .3965 | .5321 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 46.

The MANOVA reported in Table 18 relates to H-5 and H-6. The variable OP T2 is the difference between the proportion of mastery demonstrated for the two operations, R T2 is the difference between the proportions of mastery demonstrated for regrouping and non-regrouping, and INT T2 is the interaction between the first two variables. Again the multivariate space is not zero ($p < .0001$), and both main effects are significant ($p < .0001$); consequently both H-5 and H-6 are rejected, but in this case the interaction is not significant ($p < .14$). The analysis reported in Table 19 indicates that these general effects are true for both groups, i. e. there are no group differences with respect to these 3 variables in accordance with the finding concerning H-2.

While the rejection of H-3, H-4, H-5, and H-6 is not surprising, it does establish that subtraction is more difficult than addition, and that regrouping is significantly more difficult than non-regrouping. Furthermore, these findings were not differentially effected by treatment.

The Interaction of Operation by Regrouping. A more interesting question at this point concerns why the interaction was significant in the untransformed

data but not in the mastery data. The mastery transformation, T2, changed raw scores of 0 through 3 to 0, and raw scores of 4 or 5 to 1; the result was to eliminate the interaction of regrouping by operation. To look at the issue more closely, two other transformations, T3 and T4, were carried out and the interaction term examined.

T3 transforms scores 0 through 3 to 0, and leaves scores of 4 or 5 as they are; T4 leaves scores of 0-3 as they are and transforms 4 or 5 to 5. Tables 20 and 21 show the results of the analysis.

Table 20

Analysis of Variance of the Effects of Operation and Regrouping
for the T3 Transformation of O_b Data

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= 41.1544 D.F.= 3. And 44.0000 P Less Than .0001 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 OP T3 | 373.1044 | 43.7966 | .0001 |
| 2 RGP T3 | 797.9800 | 70.6586 | .0001 |
| 3 INT T3 | 15.3551 | 1.6839 | .2009 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 46.

Table 21

Analysis of Variance of the Effects of Operation and Regrouping
for the T4 Transformation of O_b Data

| F-Ratio for Multivariate Test of Equality of Mean Vectors= 65.5915 D.F.= 3. And 44.0000 P Less Than .0001 | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Variable | Hypothesis Mean SQ | Univariate F | P Less Than |
| 1 OP T4 | 393.6093 | 104.6244 | .0001 |
| 2 RGP T4 | 669.3045 | 82.6275 | .0001 |
| 3 INT T4 | 44.8023 | 5.9587 | .0186 |

Degrees of Freedom for Hypothesis= 1
Degrees of Freedom for Error= 46.

The interaction is not significant for T3 ($p < .2009$) but is significant for T4 ($p < .0186$). While it may be argued that T4 and the raw data have larger sets of discrete values available (5 and 6 respectively), than do T2 and T3 (2 and 3 respectively) and so have a larger probability of an interaction, another possibility exists; namely that the interaction is primarily in the scores 0 through 3. If this be the case it logically follows that students who have not mastered the algorithms find the regrouping associated with subtraction more difficult than that associated with addition, while those who have mastered the algorithms do not experience this differential difficulty. Such a finding would make planning instruction on the basis of data obtained from those who had already mastered the algorithms a questionable undertaking, and underline the qualifications of the use of such data (e. g. Suppes, Jerman and Dow, 1968). This question deserves further examination.

Summary and Conclusions

All comparisons of group means based upon O_a and O_b but one (variable 3- of O_a) favor group S. Many of the tests reported in the hypotheses sections are of course not independent, and while several significant and many marginally significant differences have been found, the multivariate tests fail to show significant differences in overall group performance.

If the sum of all scores across the 6 administrations of O_a are taken as a measure of total learning during instruction, the differences favor group S and are primarily related to addition performance. This is not very surprising in view of the fact that group S was taught addition first and the children were asked to work one or two addition items for skill maintenance during the instructional activities dealing with subtraction. However, the differences for subtraction, even though non-significant ($p < .1325$), were also in favor of group S. This is not to be expected since group S was not exposed to instruction directly relating to the subtraction algorithm until shortly after the third administration of O_a , while group I used instructional activities dealing with both algorithms from the beginning.

Perhaps the most interesting results based upon O_a are that the effects of instruction are clearly discernable in the profiles, particularly for group S. It is tempting to interpret group S's first measure of subtraction performance, taken on the fifth instructional day, as a measure of transfer from experience with the addition algorithm; this is supported by a comparable level of performance of group I at this administration. This virtually indistinguishable performance for subtraction is maintained through the third administration, in spite of the fact that group I was receiving instruction with subtraction during the entire time. The absence of base-line data, however, makes such a claim tenuous. It may be that neither group showed improvement above initial performance through the third administration; further research is necessary to determine the issue.

The trend analysis based upon O_a reveals that the rate of learning is not only best described, but necessarily described, as linear. This is true for both groups and operations. The lack of base line data (not necessarily 0) and the lack of group mastery must be kept in mind when considering this finding, however, there is evidence that group learning was linear for the 20 day period of instruction of this study.

From the evidence provided by O_a it is concluded that if there are differences due to instructional sequence they favor group S and are primarily in addition performance. It is further concluded that the use of integrated sequences is not supported for children of these ages and with this type of material by the results of this study.

The evidence provided by O_b does not support inferences of group differences at the end of instruction even though all comparisons favor group S, but it does raise the interesting question of operation by regrouping interaction. The evidence from both O_a and O_b demonstrate that the addition algorithm is easier to learn than the subtraction algorithm, and that while regrouping is a major difficulty for both operations, it poses more of a problem for subtraction than it does for addition.

Directions for Research

The question of the use of integrated sequences has been only partially answered. The sequence "subtraction then addition" was not tried. It is not known if instructional efficiency or total pupil knowledge is served by sequencing coordinate tasks on the basis of their relative difficulty. The relationships among age of Ss and type of task to sequencing strategy deserves further examination. The best sequencing strategy may be a function of age and developmental level as well as the type of task to be learned.

In general neither of the instructional treatments produced acceptable levels of performance with the subtraction algorithm, and if the criterion is that 80% of the students master 80% of the material, the instruction with the addition algorithms is not acceptable either. It is not known how the learning profiles would be effected if instruction were continued to higher mastery levels.

There is evidence in this study that there may be important differences in the way one who has mastered a task and one who has not view a task; further investigation into this question seems desirable.

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Appendix A

Behaviors Associated with Tasks Used in this Study

Terminal Behavior AS - T (Addition-Subtraction)

Given a set of examples involving both addition and subtraction of 2 two-digit whole numbers, computes the required sums or differences using the appropriate algorithm. The sums are to be restricted to those less than 100.

Task A (Addition)

- Given the numeral phrase $qb + sb$, states the sentence $qb + sb = (q + s)b$.
- Given the numerals $qb + r$ and $sb + t$ in expanded notation, states the sentence

$$\begin{array}{r} q \quad b \quad + \quad r \\ s \quad b \quad + \quad t \\ \hline (q + s)b \quad + \quad (r + t) \end{array}$$
- Given the numeral $qb + r$, where $r \geq b$, states the sentence $qb + r = (q + 1)b + (r - b)$.
- Given the numerals $qb + r$ and $sb + t$ in expanded notation and having written the sentence $(qb + r) + (sb + t) = (q + s)b + (r + t)$, finds numerals x and y such that $(q + s)b + (r + t) = xb + y$ where $y < b$, and writes the sentence

$$\begin{array}{r} qb + r \\ sb + t \\ \hline xb + y \end{array}$$
- Given two two-digit numerals a and b written in compact notation, writes these numerals in expanded notation, finds their sum and the numeral c in compact notation which represents this sum, and writes the sentence $a + b = c$.
- Given two two-digit numerals a and b , written in compact notation, applies the Addition algorithm to a and b to find the numeral c in compact notation which represents this sum and writes the sentence $a + b = c$.

Task 5 (Subtraction)

1. Given the numeral phrase $qb - sb$, where $q \geq s$, states the sentence $qb - sb = (q - s)b$.
2. Given the numeral $qb + r$, states the sentence $qb + r = (q - 1)b + (b + r)$.
3. Given two numerals $qb + r$ and $sb + t$, where $qb + r \geq sb + t$, compares r and t to determine whether $r \geq t$ or $r < t$.
4. Given two numerals $qb + r$ and $sb + t$, where $qb + r > sb + t$, and having determined that $r < t$, rewrites $qb + r$ as $(q - 1)b + (r + b)$, finds the differences $(q - 1) - s$ and $(r + b) - t$, and writes the sentence

$$\begin{array}{r} q \quad b \quad + \quad r \\ - \quad s \quad b \quad - \quad t \\ \hline (q - 1 - s) b \quad + \quad (r + b - t) \end{array}$$

5. Given two numerals $qb + r$ and $sb + t$, where $qb + r \geq sb + t$, and having determined that $r \geq t$, finds the differences $q - s$ and $r - t$ and writes the sentence
- $$\begin{array}{r} q \quad b \quad + \quad r \\ - \quad s \quad b \quad - \quad t \\ \hline (q - s) b \quad + \quad (r - t) \end{array}$$
6. Given two two-digit numerals a and b written in compact notation, where $a \geq b$, writes these numerals in expanded notation, finds the difference $a - b$ and the numeral c in compact notation which represents this difference, and writes the sentence $a - b = c$.
 7. Given two two-digit numerals a and b written in compact notation, where $a \geq b$, applies the subtraction algorithm to the difference $a - b$ to find the numeral c in compact notation which represents this difference and writes the sentence $a - b = c$.

Entering Behaviors

1. Given two two-digit numerals a and b written in compact notation, states that $a > b$ (or $b < a$).

2. Given a numeral between 0 and 99 in compact notation, symbolically models this numeral in expanded notation.
3. Given two numbers a and b whose sum is less than or equal to 20 (base 10), having represented the sum of a and b , and having found a numeral c in compact notation which is equal to the sum of a and b , writes the sentence $a + b = c$.
4. Given two numbers a and b such that $0 \leq a < 20$, $0 \leq b < 10$, and $b \leq a$, having represented the difference $a - b$, and having found a numeral c in compact notation which is equal to that difference, writes the sentence $a - b = c$.
5. Given two numbers a and b whose sum is less than or equal to 20 (base 10), states the compact number name for $a + b$ and the complete sentence $a + b = c$.
6. Given two numbers a and b such that $0 \leq a < 20$, $0 \leq b < 10$, and $b \leq a$, states the compact number name for $a - b$ and the complete sentence $a - b = c$.

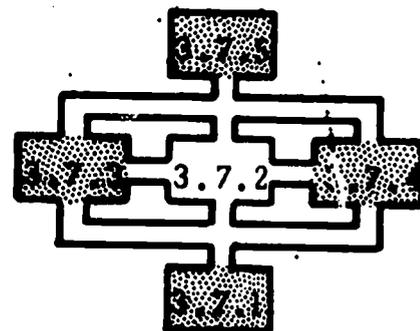
Appendix B

A Sample of the Instructional Activities Used in this Study

Activity 3.7.2

Individual/Small Group

- **MATERIALS NEEDED:**
- Worksheet 3.7.2
 - Objects to be used as counters
 - Number arrays
 - A "store"



PREPARATION:

3.7.2

- 1) Set up a play store, all of whose items are priced below 50¢. This can be done in several ways. You can use items in the room, allowing the children to do the selecting and pricing, i.e., an eraser for 33¢. You can have the children bring empty containers from home and reprice them if necessary. You can have several stores—a bakery, a grocery, a toy store, a candy store, a place to eat, etc., each with four or five items for sale. The children can draw pictures of or make the items to be sold.
- 2) Duplicate sufficient copies of the worksheet.

DESCRIPTION

There are several ways in which this activity can be done, depending somewhat on the type of store you and the children set up.

If you use several stores, assign one child as a storekeeper for each store and let the rest of the class be shoppers. The shoppers should select two items from a store. The storekeeper will fill in the cost of the two items on the worksheet and return the items to the store. Then the shopper must calculate the total cost. Next, the shopper finds out how much money he would have left after paying for the items if he started with the amount shown on his worksheet. If he doesn't have enough, he is to find out how

much more he would need. This will require some explanation by you. In the last column, the child should cross out the words that do not apply. The shoppers move from store to store, with the children switching roles after all have had a reasonable amount of time to reach several stores.

If you use just one store, at least two possibilities exist. To avoid the confusion of all the children going to the store at once, you might let it be self-service, with the children going to the store at any convenient time during the day. The child is to select two items, write down the price of each, and then figure out how much money he must pay. He then finds the amount of money that he would have left or how much more he needs. Finally he returns the items to the store. The student is to repeat the process (over a period of time) until he has completed the activity sheet.

A second possibility would be to have the pupils work in pairs or threesomes, with one being a storekeeper or clerk for the other two. The storekeeper would find the items and calculate the total cost, with the shopper then determining his financial status. Each child in the group should get an opportunity to be the storekeeper.

If you use just one store, it is suggested that you place it in a corner of the room. While some of the children are using the store, the others can be engaged in some of the activities described in Activity 3.7.3 and 3.7.4. The children can then alternate among the three activities until each child has had an opportunity to work on all three.

As in Activity 3.7.1, counting devices should be available and grouping by tens encouraged.

work

sheet

3.7.2

name _____

You have How much must you pay? Do you have enough?

| | | | |
|-----|--|-----------|--|
| 55¢ | | Yes No | I have _____¢ left. I need _____¢ more. |
| 89¢ | | Yes No | I have _____¢ left. I need _____¢ more. |
| 65¢ | | Yes No | I have _____¢ left. I need _____¢ more. |
| 35¢ | | Yes No | I have _____¢ left. I need _____¢ more. |
| 49¢ | | Yes No | I have _____¢ left. I need _____¢ more. |
| 75¢ | | Yes No | I have _____¢ left. I need _____¢ more. |

Activity 3.7.2

1, 3, 5

Individual/Small Group

Materials Needed

Worksheet 3.7.2
Objects to be used
as counters
Number arrays
A "store"

Preparation

1. Set up a play store or stores, all of whose items are priced below 50¢. This can be done in several ways. You can use items in the room, allowing the children to do the selecting and pricing, i.e., an eraser for 33¢. You can have the children bring empty containers from home and reprice them if necessary. You can have several stores -- a bakery, a grocery, a toy store, a candy store, a place to eat, etc. each with four or five items for sale. The children can draw pictures of or make the play items to be sold.
2. Duplicate sufficient copies of the worksheet.
3. Save these materials for use with subtraction later.

Description

There are several ways in which this activity can be done, dependent somewhat on the type of store you and the children set up.

If you use several stores, assign one child as a storekeeper for each store and let the rest of the class be shoppers. The shoppers should select two items from a store. The storekeeper will fill in the cost of the two items on the worksheet and return the items to the store. Then the shopper must calculate the total cost. This will require some explanation by you. The shoppers move from store to store, with the children switching roles after all have had a reasonable amount of time to reach several stores.

If you use just one store, at least two possibilities exist. Due to the confusion possible if all the children go to the store at once, you might let it be self-service, with the children going to the store at any convenient time

during the day. The child is to select two items, write down the price of each, and then figure out how much money he must pay. Finally, he returns the items to the store. The student is to repeat the process (over a period of time) until he has completed the activity sheet.

A second possibility would be to have the pupils work in pairs or threesomes, with one being a storekeeper or clerk for the other two. The storekeeper would find the items and calculate the total cost. Each child in the group should get an equal opportunity to be the storekeeper.

If you use just one store, it is suggested that you place it in one corner of the room. While some of the children are using the store, the others can be engaged in some of the activities described in Activity 3.7.3 and 3.7.4. The children can then alternate among the three activities until each child has had an opportunity to work on all three.

As in Activity 3.7.1, counting devices should be available and grouping by ten's encouraged.

name _____

work

sheet

3.7.2

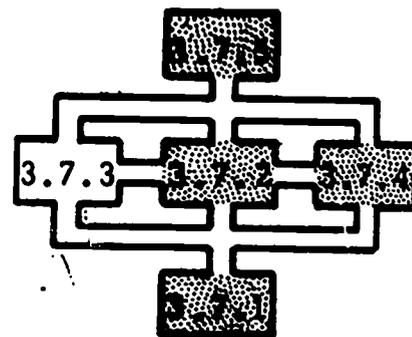
| You have | How much must you pay? | Do you have enough? |
|----------|------------------------|---------------------|
| 55¢ | | Yes No |
| 89¢ | | Yes No |
| 65¢ | | Yes No |
| 35¢ | | Yes No |
| 49¢ | | Yes No |
| 75¢ | | Yes No |

1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Activity 3.7.3

Individual/Pair

- MATERIALS NEEDED:
- Activity Cards 3.7.3
a to p
 - Worksheet 3.7.3 a, b
 - Cloth bags
 - Unifix cubes
 - Discs
 - Beans, corn
 - Lead washers
 - Lots-a-Links
 - Buttons
 - Number arrays
(Worksheet 3.6.7)



PREPARATION

3.7.3

- 1) Duplicate worksheets in needed quantities.
- 2) Set up 16 work stations around the room, each identified with a letter, a through p. At each station place two bags labeled One and Two filled with objects as shown on the list. Wherever possible, as with Lots-a-Links or cubes, they should be grouped by tens with the "left-overs" remaining unattached. The children should help fill the bags, with the first group at each station doing the work. Also, place the corresponding card at each station.

| <u>Station</u> | <u>Objects</u> | <u>Amount in Bag One</u> | <u>Amount in Bag Two</u> |
|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| A | Washers | 23 | 44 |
| B | Beans | 25 | 32 |
| C | Lots-a-Links | 45 | 18 |
| D | Discs | 7 | 22 |
| E | Unifix cubes | 14 | 17 |
| F | Corn | 35 | 21 |
| G | Buttons | 6 | 23 |
| H | Washers | 19 | 8 |
| I | Lots-a-Links | 63 | 25 |

| <u>Station</u> | <u>Objects</u> | <u>Amount in Bag One</u> | <u>Amount in Bag Two</u> |
|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| J | Discs | 43 | 17 |
| K | Unifix cubes | 31 | 46 |
| L | Discs | 30 | 20 |
| M | Lots-a-Links | 26 | 17 |
| N | Beans | 41 | 15 |
| O | Buttons | 30 | 20 |
| P | Washers | 24 | 25 |

Note: Substitute materials may be used where necessary.

DESCRIPTION

The children are to move around to each station, perform the task described on the corresponding card, and return the materials to their original state. Responses are written in the appropriate space on the worksheet. As you circulate among the children, encourage counting by tens. You should note whether or not they are using the correct process (addition or subtraction) for the task described. You should also have them occasionally verify their work. It is not necessary that they do all of the cards, but they should do at least half.

Differences in ability to find correct sums and differences should start becoming apparent. Be alert for this. This may be the time to start giving formal instruction in the use of the algorithms to some of your students. If so, suggestions are given in Activity 3.7.5. You may also wish to group children into pairs or threesomes in which one of the more advanced pupils could act as a helper or peer-tutor for the others.

work sheet

3.7.3.

name

a

e

b

f

c

g

d

h

name _____

work sheet

3.7.3b

i

m

i

n

k

o

l

p

Activity 3.7.3.S

2, 4, 5

Individual/Pair

Materials Needed

- Activity cards 3.7.3
- Worksheet 3.7.3
- Cloth bags
- Metal tags
- Unifix cubes
- Beans, corn
- Lead washers
- Lots-a-links
- Buttons
- Number arrays

Preparation

1. Set up 8 work stations around the room, identified with the letters A-H. At each station place two bags labeled 1 and 2 filled with objects as shown on the list. Wherever possible, as with Lots-a links or cubes, they should be grouped by ten's with the "left-overs" remaining unattached. The children could help to fill the bags, with the first group at each station doing the work. Also, place the corresponding card at each station.

| <u>Station</u> | <u>Objects</u> | <u>Amount in Bag One</u> | <u>Amount in Bag Two</u> |
|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| A | Beans | 25 | 32 |
| B | Unifix cubes | 14 | 17 |
| C | Corn | 35 | 21 |
| D | Lots-a-links | 63 | 25 |
| E | Unifix cubes | 31 | 46 |
| F | Beans | 41 | 15 |
| G | Buttons | 30 | 20 |
| H | Washers | 24 | 25 |

Note: Substitute materials may be used where necessary.

2. Duplicate sufficient copies of Worksheet 3.7.3.

Description

The children are to move around to each station, perform the task described on the corresponding card, and return the materials to their original state. As you circulate among them, encourage counting by ten's. You should also note whether

Activity 3.7.3.S

or not they are using the correct process (subtraction) for the task described. You should also have them occasionally verify their work. It is not necessary that they do all of the cards but they should do at least half.

As with the previous addition activity, differences in ability should start becoming apparent. Be alert for this. This may be the time to start giving formal instruction in the use of the algorithms to some of your students. You may also wish to group children into pairs or triples in which one of the more advanced pupils could act as a helper or peer-tutor for the others.

work

sheet

3.2.3. 5

name _____

a

e

b

f

c

g

d

h

Appendix C
The Tests Used in this Study

Teacher _____

Name _____

$$\begin{array}{r} 75 \\ +24 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 79 \\ -31 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 50 \\ +40 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 72 \\ -15 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 71 \\ +26 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 40 \\ -32 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 89 \\ -46 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 29 \\ +38 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 41 \\ -22 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 39 \\ +49 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 43 \\ -30 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 56 \\ +16 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 73 \\ -52 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 79 \\ +18 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ +16 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 97 \\ -77 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 50 \\ -36 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ +85 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 93 \\ -26 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 22 \\ +67 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

3.7.1

53

Write the missing number.

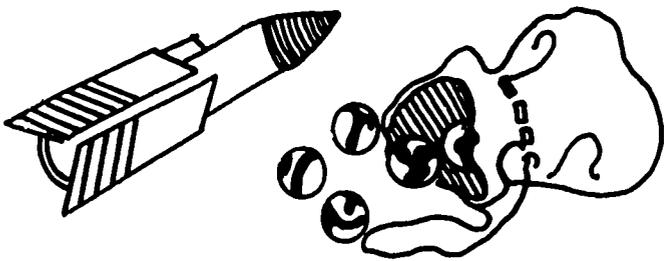
Name

57
-4

3
+9

39
+41

30
-19



Bob had 48 marbles. He traded 21 of them for a toy rocket. How many marbles does he still have?

58

3.7.2

54

Write the missing numbers.

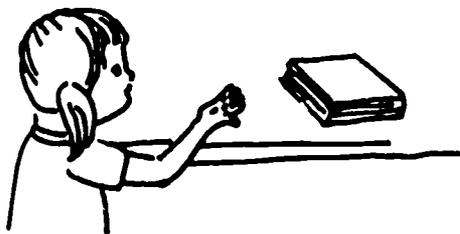
Name

89 - 7 = 80 +

$\begin{array}{r} 85 \\ +4 \\ \hline \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r} 38 \\ +16 \\ \hline \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r} 64 \\ -56 \\ \hline \end{array}$



Jane has 42 pennies. How many more pennies must she save before she can buy a book that costs 75¢?

Write the missing numbers.

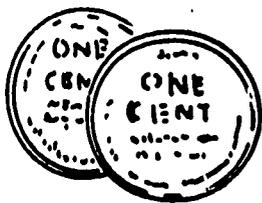
Name

$$\begin{array}{r} 78 \\ -43 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 32 \\ +67 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 92 \\ -14 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 15 \\ +66 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Mother had some pennies. After she gave 9 of them to Cindy, she had 23 pennies left. How many pennies did she have before she gave some to Cindy?

3.7.4

56

Write the missing numbers.

Name

$$63 + 5 = \square + 8$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 17 \\ - 8 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 84 \\ - 46 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 41 \\ + 29 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Mother put 4 round cookies, 7 square cookies, and 5 star cookies in the cookie jar. How many cookies in all did she put in the cookie jar?

3.7.5

57

Write the missing numbers.

Name

$12 + 73 = 80 + \square$

$$\begin{array}{r} 36 \\ - 7 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 37 \\ + 44 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 47 \\ - 19 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Jack found 37 rocks. He found 15 more than Jim found. How many rocks did Jim find?

62

3.7.6

58

Write the missing numbers.

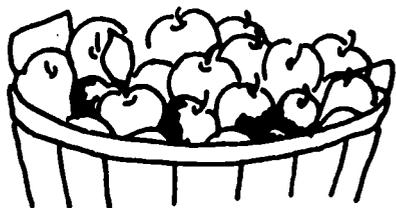
Name _____

$$\begin{array}{r} 96 \\ -52 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$97 - 54 = \square + 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 55 \\ +28 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 63 \\ +32 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



After Nancy took 10 apples from a basket, there were 30 apples left. How many apples were in the basket before Nancy took some?

3.7.7

Write the missing numbers.

Name

$$\begin{array}{r} 35 \\ 12 \\ \hline 47 \end{array}$$

$9 + 6 = 10 + \square$

$$\begin{array}{r} 83 \\ -64 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 96 \\ -72 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Yesterday father drove his car 26 miles. Today he drove 42 miles. How many miles did he drive in these two days?

3.7.8

60

Write the missing numbers.

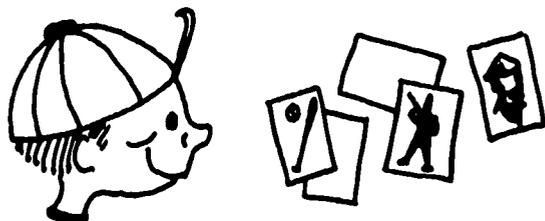
Name _____

$$\begin{array}{r} 18 \\ + 5 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$13 - 8 = 10 - \square$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 36 \\ + 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 82 \\ - 37 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Bill saves baseball cards. Today he got 15 new cards. Now he has 75 cards. How many baseball cards did Bill have yesterday?

Write the missing numbers.

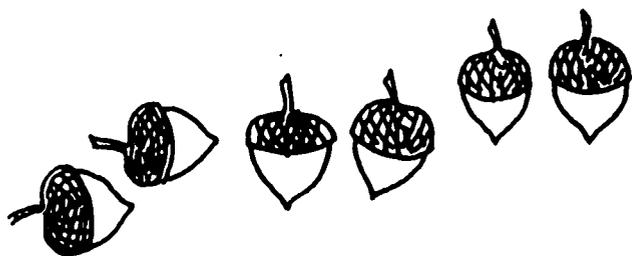
Name _____

$$16 + 14 - 20 + \square$$

$$30 - 15 = 20 - \square$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 70 \\ - 5 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 47 \\ -13 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



Ben had 19 acorns. He gave 15 of them to Dave. Then he found 24 more acorns. How many acorns did Ben have then?