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B. You will explore and solve the **Handshake problem**:

**Structured Investigations:**

*You are in a roomful of 35 people. Everyone is asked to shake hands with everyone. How many handshakes will there be?*

1. **Explore** this problem, using the following detailed steps:

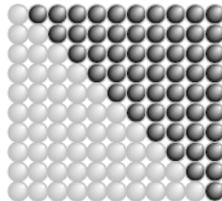
- a) Give a rough **estimate** the number of handshakes in a roomful of 35 people and explain how you got this number. (You will not be graded on the accuracy of your estimate. So don't fix it as your ideas evolve.)
- b) Start exploring how many handshakes there would be when you have 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, etc people. Draw pictures to help you reason about this. Clearly **explain** your reasoning (clear and appropriate reasoning gets the credit).
- c) For 5, 6, 7, people, draw a **picture** that illustrates clearly how many handshakes there would be (clear and appropriate pictures get the credit).
- d) If you have 5 people with a certain number of handshakes, how many additional handshakes do you get when you **add a sixth person**? What pattern do you observe?
- e) Collect your results in a table and extend it up to 10 people.

2. Clearly describe the **pattern** that you observe, in words or formulas. **Explain** why you believe this pattern to be true **in general**.

3. Based on the pattern you observed in part (2), **how many** handshakes are there in a roomful of 35 people? Reflect on how this compares to your estimate in problem (1a)?

4. (Extra Credit) How about any number of people, e.g. **350 people**?

*Hint:  $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 10 = (10 * 11)/2$ . See picture:*



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- A. Pre-scheduled one-on-one Cube Final Exam, using the "Corner's First" method . (Done.)
- B. You will explore and solve the **Handshake problem**.

**The Big Question:**

*You are in a roomful of 35 people. Everyone is asked to shake hands with everyone. How many handshakes will there be?*

**Explore** this problem using the problem solving strategies you developed and used throughout the semester in Math 110. Start by estimating a number (you won't be judged on its correctness). Clearly **document your reasoning** and **clearly explain your thinking**. Use pictures, tables, and written paragraphs, as needed.

Credit will be given for the clear documentation of reasoning and for clear explanations, rather than just a right or wrong answer.

**Option: more structured Investigations:**

If you can't find a way to get started with this Big Question, you may ask for a more structured list of assignments, for a 5% reduction in points (ie. the maximum number of points will be 95 instead of 100; note that 95 points is still an "A").

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A. Rubik's Cube -- keep a record of the time for each stage. If you are not done after 15 minutes, move on to Question 2.

Mix it up.      When done, record the time \_\_\_\_\_ .

Solve it.      When done, record the time \_\_\_\_\_ .