

## THE IDEAS OF ALGEBRA

### The Mathematics of School Algebra

The introductory sessions involve the analysis of the mathematical foundations of the school mathematics curriculum from an advanced perspective (2 weeks)

- Klein, F. (1945). *Elementary Mathematics from an Advanced Standpoint: Arithmetic, Algebra, Analysis*. New York: Dover Publications.
- Usiskin, Z., Peressini, A.L., Marchisotto, E., & Stanley, D. (2003). *Mathematics for High School Teachers- An Advanced Perspective*. Prentice Hall. Chapters 1-6.
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### The Mathematics Curriculum Past and Present

The second unit involves the analysis and comparison of major curriculum recommendations as well as the examination of how recent recommendations are reflected in current mathematics programs (3 weeks).

#### *Curriculum recommendations*

- Smith, D.E. (1904, 1970) Algebra—What and why taught. In J. K. Bidwell & R. G. Clason (Eds.). *Readings in the history of mathematics education*. Reston, VA: National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.
- Mathematics Association of America (1923, 1970). The reorganization of mathematics in secondary education. In J. K. Bidwell & R. G. Clason (Eds.), *Readings in the history of mathematics education*. (pp. 442-459). Reston, VA: National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.
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- Cambridge Conference on School Mathematics (1963). *Goals for school mathematics*. (pp. 48-55, 61-66).
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. (1989). *Curriculum and evaluation standards for school mathematics*. Reston, VA: Author.
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. (2000). *Principles and standards for school mathematics*. Reston, VA: Author.
- National Research Council. (2001). *Adding it up*. Washington, DC: National Academies Press (Chapter 8).
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#### *Algebra Curricula*

- Becker, J., & Jacob, B. (2000). The politics of California school mathematics: The Anti-reform of 1997-99. *Phi Delta Kappan*, 529 – 537.

- Blume, G. & Heckman, D. (1997). What do students know about algebra and functions? In P. Kenney & E. Silver (Eds.), *Results from the sixth mathematics assessment of the National Assessment of Educational Progress* (pp. 225-277). Reston, VA: NCTM.
- Donoghue, E. (2003). Algebra and geometry textbooks in twentieth century America. In G. M. Stanic & J. Kilpatrick (Eds.), *A history of school mathematics* (pp. 329-398). Reston, VA: NCTM.
- *Mathematics in Context (MiC)*
- *Connected Mathematics Project (CMP)*
- *Core Plus*
- *Discovering Algebra*
- Huntley, M.A., Rasmussen, C., Villarubi, R., Sangtong, J., & Fey, J. (2000). Effects of Standards-based mathematics education: A study for the CORE-Plus Mathematics Project algebra and functions strand. *Journal for Research in Mathematics Education*, 31(3), 328-361.
- Krebs, A. (2003). Middle grade students' algebraic understanding in a reform curriculum. *School Science and Mathematics*, 103(5), 233-243.
- Kilpatrick, J. (1997). Confronting reform. *American Mathematical Monthly*, 104, 955-62.
- Martin, T.S., Hunt, C.A., Lannin, J., Leonard Jr., W., Marshall, G.L., & Wares, A. (2001). How reform secondary mathematics textbooks stack up against NCTM's *Principles and standards*. *Mathematics Teacher*, 94(7), 540-546.
- Davydov, V. (1982). The psychological characteristics of the "prenumerical" period of mathematics instruction. In L. P. Steffe (Ed.) *Soviet studies in the psychology of learning and teaching mathematics* (Vol. 7, pp. 109-206). Chicago: The University of Chicago Press.

### **GENERAL RESEARCH ISSUES (1week)**

- Rand Mathematics Study Panel (2003). *Mathematical proficiency for all students: Toward a strategic and development program in mathematics education*. Washington, DC: Rand.
- Kieran, C. & Wagner, S. (1989). The research agenda conference on algebra: Background and issues; An agenda for research on the learning and teaching of algebra. In C. Kieran & S. Wagner (Eds), *Research issues in the learning and teaching of algebra*. (pp. 1-10, 220-237). Reston, VA: NCTM.

### **RESEARCH ON STUDENTS' LEARNING OF ALGEBRA**

Much of the research in algebra has focused on student learning of algebra. Up until the 1990s, much of the work documented students' misconceptions and the difficulties they had in learning algebra. More recently research has been studying what students can do, showing that younger children are capable of learning fundamental algebra ideas earlier than previously thought. Our study of the research is separated in four parts: (a) research on the development of algebraic reasoning in the early grades; (b) research on the development of foundational ideas in algebra such as proportional reasoning, ratio and rate, pattern recognition and generalization; and (c) research related to the learning of algebra concepts; and (d) cross cutting issues of instruction of algebra.

#### **Early Algebra (Two weeks)**

### ***Dealing with Misconceptions about the Use of the Equal Sign***

- Baroody, A. & Ginsburg, H. (1983). The effects of instruction on children's understanding of the "equals" sign. *Elementary School Journal*, 84(2), 199-212.
- Behr, M., Erlwanger, S., & Nichols, E. (1980). How children view the equal sign. *Mathematics Teaching*, 92, 13-15.
- Carpenter, T. P., Franke, M. L., & Levi, L. (2003). *Thinking mathematically: Integrating algebra and arithmetic in elementary school*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann. (Chapter 2).
- Falkner, K. P., Levi, L., & Carpenter, T. P. (1999). Children's understanding of equality: A foundation for algebra. *Teaching Children Mathematics*, 6, 232-236.
- Kieran, C. (1981). Concepts associated with the equality symbol. *Educational Studies in Mathematics*, 12, 317-326.
- Matz, M. (1982). Towards a process model for school algebra errors. In D. Sleeman & J. S. Brown (Eds.), *Intelligent tutoring systems* (pp. 25-50). New York: Academic Press.
- McNeil, N., Grandau, L., Knuth, E., Alibali, M., Stephens, A., Hattikudur, S., & Krill, D. (Under review). Middle school students' understanding of the equal sign: The books they read can't help. *Cognition & Instruction*.
- Saenz-Ludlow, A., & Walgamuth, C. (1998). Third graders' interpretations of equality and the equal symbol. *Educational Studies in Mathematics*, 35, 153-187.
- Seo, K-H. & Ginsburg, H. P. (2003). "You've got to carefully read the math sentence...": Classroom context and children's interpretations of the equals sign. In A. J. Baroody & A. Dowker (Eds.), *The development of arithmetic concepts and skills*. Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.

### ***Reasoning Algebraically: Learning Arithmetic as a Foundation for Learning Algebra***

- Bastable, V. & Schifter, D. (In press): Classroom stories: Examples of elementary students engaged in early algebra. - In: J. Kaput (Ed.), *Employing children's natural powers to build algebraic reasoning in the context of elementary mathematics*.
- Carpenter, T. P., Franke, M. L., & Levi, L. (2003). *Thinking mathematically: Integrating algebra and arithmetic in elementary school*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann. (Chapters 1, 3-10).
- Carpenter, T. P., Levi, L., Berman, P., & Pligge, M. (2005). Developing algebraic reasoning in the elementary school. In T. A. Romberg, T. P. Carpenter, & F. Dremock (Eds.), *Understanding mathematics and science matters* (pp. 81-98). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.
- Carraher, D., Brizuela, B., & Earnest, D. (2001). The reification of additive differences in early algebra: Viva la difference! In H. Chick, K. Stacey, J. Vincent, & J. Vincent (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 12<sup>th</sup> ICMI study conference: The future of teaching and learning of algebra*. (pp. 163-170). Melbourne, Australia: University of Melbourne.
- Davis, R. B. (1984). ICMI-5 report: Algebraic thinking in early grades. *The Journal of Mathematical Behavior*, 4, 195-208.
- Verschaffel, L., Greer, B., & DeCorte, E. (2000) Making sense of word problems. Lisse, Netherlands: Swets & Zeitlinger.

- Fujii, T. & Stephens, M. (2001). Fostering an understanding of algebraic generalization through numerical expressions: The Role of quasi-variables. In H. Chick, K. Stacey., J. Vincent, & J. Vincent (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 12<sup>th</sup> ICMI Study Conference: The Future of the teaching and learning of algebra* (pp. 258 - 264). Melbourne, Australia: The University of Melbourne.
- Gallardo, A. (2002), The extension of the natural number domain to the integers in the transition from arithmetic to algebra, *Educational Studies in Mathematics*, 49, 171-192.
- Kaput, J. (1998). Transforming algebra from an engine of inequity to an engine of mathematical power by “algebrafying” the K–12 curriculum. In National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (Eds.), *The nature and role of algebra in the K–14 curriculum*. Washington, DC: National Academy Press.
- Kaput, J. J. (1999). Teaching and learning a new algebra. In E. Fennema & T. A. Romberg (Eds.), *Mathematics classrooms that promote understanding* (pp. 133–155). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.
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- Schifter, D. (1999). Reasoning about operations: Early algebraic thinking in Grades K–6. In L. V. Stiff & F. R. Curcio (Eds.), *Developing mathematical reasoning in Grades K–12* (pp. 62–81). Reston, VA: National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.
- van Reeuwijk, M. (in press). Early school algebra: A Dutch perspective. In J. Kaput, D. Carraher & M. Blanton (Eds.), *Employing children's natural powers to build algebraic reasoning in the content of elementary mathematics*.

## **Development of Foundational Ideas (Two weeks)**

### ***Pattern Generalization in Algebra***

- Curcio, F., Nemirovsky, R., Perez, R., & Yaloz, S. (1997). Exploring patterns in nonroutine problems. *Mathematics Teaching in the Middle School*, 2(4), 262 – 269.
- Ellis, A.B. (in press). A taxonomy for categorizing generalizations: generalizing actions and reflection generalizations.
- Garcia-Cruz, J., & Martinon, A. (1997). Actions and invariant in schemata in linear generalizing problems. In E. Pehkonen (Ed.), *Proceedings of the 21st Conference of the International Group for the Psychology of Mathematics Education* (Vol. 2, pp. 289-296). Lahti, Finland: PME.
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- Petocz, P., & Petocz, D. (1997). Pattern and proof: The art of mathematical thinking. *The Australian Mathematics Teacher*, 53(3), 12 – 17.

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### ***Development of Linearity / Proportional Reasoning***

- Cramer, K. & Post, T. (1993, May). Connecting research to teaching proportional reasoning. *Mathematics Teacher*, 86(5), 404-407.
- Karplus, R., Pulos, S., & Stage, E. K. (1983). Proportional reasoning of early adolescents. In R. Lesh & M. Landau (Eds.), *Acquisition of mathematics concepts and processes* (pp. 45-90). Orlando, FL: Academic Press.
- Lamon, S. J. (1994). Ratio and proportion: Cognitive foundations in unitizing and norming. In G. Harel, & J Confrey (Eds.), *The development of multiplicative reasoning in the learning of mathematics* (pp. 89-120). Albany, NY: State University of New York Press.
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- Lobato, J., & Thanheiser, E. (2002). Developing understanding of ratio and measure as a foundation for slope. In B. Litwiller & G. Bright (Eds.), *Making sense of fractions, ratios, and proportions: 2002 yearbook* (pp. 162 – 175). Reston, VA: National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.
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- Tourniaire, F., & Pulos, S. (1985). Proportional reasoning: A review of the literature. *Educational Studies in Mathematics*, 16, 181-204.

### **Learning of Fundamental Algebra Ideas (Three weeks)**

#### ***Overview: Cognitive / Theoretical Issue***

- Chazan, D. & Yerushalmy, M. (2002). On appreciating the cognitive complexity of school algebra: Research on algebra learning and directions of curricular change. In Kilpatrick, J., Schifter, D. & G. Martin (Eds.), *A Research Companion to the Principles and Standards for School Mathematics*, Reston: NCTM.
- Kieran, C. (1992). The learning and teaching of school algebra. In D. Grouws (Ed.), *Handbook of Research on Mathematics Teaching and Learning* (pp. 390 – 419). New York: Macmillan Publishing Company.
- English, L., & Warren, E. (1995). General reasoning processes and elementary algebraic understanding: Implications for instruction. *Focus on Learning Problems in Mathematics*, 17(4), 1 – 19.
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- Herscovics (1989) Cognitive obstacles encountered in the learning of algebra. In S.

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- Sfard, A. & Linchevski, L. (1994). The gains and the pitfalls of reification: The case of algebra. *Educational Studies in Mathematics*, 26, 191-228.

### ***Misconceptions***

- Booth, L.R. (1988). Children's difficulties in beginning algebra. In A. Coxford (Ed.), *Ideas of Algebra: K-12* (pp. 20-32). Reston, VA: NCTM.
- Clement, J. (1982). Algebra word problem solutions: Thought processes underlying a common misconception. *Journal for Research in Mathematics Education*, 13, 16–30.
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- Wollman, W. (1985). A reply to Kaput, Sims-Knight, and Clement. *Journal for Research in Mathematics Education*, 16(1), 63-66.

### ***Conceptions of Equations***

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- Kieran, C. (1981). Concepts associated with the equality symbol. *Educational Studies in Mathematics*, 12, 317-326.
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### ***Conceptions of Functions***

- Breidenbach, D., Dubinsky, E., Hawks, J., & Nichols, D. (1992) Development of the process conception of function. *Educational Studies in Mathematics*, 23, 247-285.
- Carlson, M.P. (1997). Obstacles for college algebra students in understanding functions: What do high-performing students really know? *The AMATYC Review*, 19(1):48-59.
- Clement, L. (2001). What do your students really know about functions? *Mathematics Teacher*, 94, 745-748.
- Eisenberg, T. (1992). On the development of a sense for functions. In G. Harel & E. Dubinsky (Eds.), *The concept of function: Aspects of epistemology and pedagogy* (pp. 153-174). Washington, D.C.: Mathematical Association of America.
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- Hollar, J., & Norwood, K. (1999). The effects of a graphing-approach intermediate algebra curriculum on students' understanding of function. *Journal for Research in Mathematics Education*, 30(2), 220-226.
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### ***Conceptions of Literal Symbols***

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### **Conceptions of Graphs**

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- Leinhardt, G., Zaslavsky, O., & Stein, M. K. (1990). Functions, graphs, and graphing: Tasks, learning, and teaching. *Review of Educational Research*, 60(1), 1-64.

### **Instruction (2 weeks)**

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- Even, R. (1993). Subject matter knowledge and pedagogical content knowledge: Prospective secondary teachers and the function concept. *Journal for Research in Mathematics Education*, 24(2), 95-116.
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### ***Use of Technology***

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### *Use of Manipulatives*

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### **EQUITY AND THE TEACHING AND LEARNING OF ALGEBRA** (One week)

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