POLYCOMBOS

Geo-Pro contains several regular polygons of side length 1 cm. These may be attached along sides to form combinations or groups of regular polygons, which we will refer to here as 'polycombos'. A polycombo containing two hexagons and one square is shown below.



- 1. See how many other polycombos containing 2 hexagons and 1 square you can find, sketching each one using a Geo-Pro.
- 2. Now find as many polycombos as you can that contain one more square than those from question 1 (i.e. that contain 2 hexagons and <u>2</u> squares). One approach is to add a square in as many ways as possible to each polycombo you found in question 1.

<u>Extension.</u>

Investigate how many polycombos there are made up of other combinations of regular polygons, for example:

- 2 pentagons and 2 triangles
- 2 octagons and 2 triangles
- 3 hexagons and 4 squares
- 4 squares and 4 triangles
- 2 pentagons and 2 hexagons etc.

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1. There are 4 different polycombos containing two hexagons and one square.



2. 27 different polycombos containing two hexagons and two squares are shown below.

