Pencil and Ruler Exercise: Changing S (subdivisions between vertices)

with fixed *n* (vertices in polygon), *P* (subdivisions between points) and *J* (polygon vertex jumps)

FACT: All four subdivision dot-plots have the same number of n, n = 1, and the same number for J, J = 1. Drawing Instructions: Start at the top dot and draw each image from point to point with pencil and ruler assuming **six** subdivisions between points, **P** = 6. **S** = ___. Are all subdivision points used? ____. SCF = ____. Are all subdivision points used? ____. SCF = ____. **S** = ____. Are all subdivision points used? _____. SCF = ____. **S** = ____. Are all subdivision points used? ____. SCF = ____.

NOTE: SCF is calculated as: SCF = GCD($n \cdot S$ /VCF(n, J), P) where VCF = GCD(n, J) and GCD is the greatest common divisor (also called greatest common factor) between the two numbers. (In the above images, VCF = 1.) One can see SCF as the bottom of the fraction of subdivisions used (so for example, if 1/2 of the subdivisions are used, SCF = 2).