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This section is devoted to the recursive template used to create a sequence of partial sums of a sequence of integers. The code for this template is shown in Figure 24.

```
<xsl:template name='cumulativeSum'>
<xsl:param name='vals'/>
                                                             0
                                                              1
<xsl:param name='seq' />
                                                             2
<xsl:param name='nxtval' select='0'/>
<xsl:choose>
<xsl:when test='not(empty($vals))'>
                                                              3
                                                              4
<xsl:call-template name='cumulativeSum'>
<xsl:with-param name='vals' select='$vals[position()>1]'/>
                                                             b
<xsl:with-param name='seq' select='($seq,$nxtval)'/>
                                                              C
<xsl:with-param name='nxtval' select='$nxtval+$vals[1]'/>
</xsl:call-template>
</xsl:when>
<xsl:otherwise>
                                                              5
<xsl:sequence select='$seq'/>
</xsl:otherwise>
</xsl:choose>
</xsl:template>
```

makeURPs.xsl Recursive Template - Figure 24

[F24H0] The valsargument should contain a sequence of integers. In recursive calls, vals refers to the tail subsequence formed by dropping the first term.

[F24H1] The seq argument should start as the empty sequence (). In recursive calls, seq will refer to the sequence of partial sums.

[F24H2] The **nxtval** argument starts with an initial value of 0 and so need not be present in the first call. In recursive calls it refers to the sum of its last value and the first term in the **vals** sequence.

[F24H3] This test allows the recursion to continue while there are terms left in the sequence vals (see [F24H5]).

[F24H4] This is the recursive call where

- [F24H4a] The XPATH expression is the tail of the **vals** sequence with the first term dropped.
- [F24H4b] This parameter uses the sequence constructor () to add the value of nxtval to the end of the sequence seq.
- [F24H4c] The new value of nxtval is the old value plus the first term of the vals sequence.

[F24H5] This declares the sequence **seq** as the result when **vals** is exhausted (see [F24H3]).