

Algebra 2

Monday 2-4-13

Class Notes

Sequence AN ordered set of numbers, may be finite or infinite. (ends) (Never ends)

sequences are functions, notation is custom for sequences

N = independent variable i.e. the term number

aN = the value of term N

EX

N aN

1 1

2 1

3 2

4 3

5 5

term 3 => N=3

a3 = 2

or (3, 2)

N, aN

N=1 N=2 N=3 N=4 N=5 N=6

EX

4, 6, 18, 109, 132, 211

a1 a2 a3 a4 a5 a6

Series the sum of a certain number of terms of a sequence. If the sum does not include all terms in the sequence it is called a partial sum,  $S_N$

(EX) Sequence 1, 2, 3, 4  
Series  $1+2+3+4$

Summation Notation

Sigma  
 $\Sigma$   
(Greek Letter)

↓  
means "sum"

(EX) 
$$\sum_{k=1}^5 2k = 2(1) + 2(2) + 2(3) + 2(4) + 2(5) \dots$$

$k$ 's the index, the starting value is on the bottom of the  $\Sigma$  notation, the ending value is on the top  $\sum$

The "rule" for finding each term in the series is on the side  $\Sigma$  rule

(EX)  
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Write in summation notation

$$3 + 6 + 9 + 12 + 15$$

↑  
term 1  
k=1

↑  
term 5, k=5

RULE is  $3(k)$ , from 1 to 5

$$\therefore \sum_{k=1}^5 3k = 3 + 6 + 9 + 12 + 15$$

Ch. 9-1 Intro. to Sequences

Ch 9-2 Series and Summation Notation

Ch. 9-3 Arithmetic Sequences and Series

Arithmetic Sequence

Each term differs by the same number, add or subtract, called the common difference,  $d$

(EX) 8, 12, 16, 20, ...  
 $d = +4$

(EX) -6, -4, -2, 0, -2, ...  
 $d = -2$

(EX) 15, 20, 24, 29,

NOT AN ARITHMETIC Sequence

Since each term,  $a_n$  is the sum of the previous term,  $a_{n-1}$  and the common difference,  $a_n = a_{n-1} + d$

If you know the 1<sup>st</sup> term,  $a_1$ , then the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term can be found from

\*  $a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$

(EX 2)

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$\downarrow N=10$

Find 10<sup>th</sup> term of Arithmetic  
Sequence 32, 25, 18, 11, 4...

$$\begin{aligned} \text{term 1} & \quad \sim \\ = a_1 & \quad d = -7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a_N = a_1 + (N-1)d$$

$$a_{10} = 32 + (10-1)(-7)$$

$$a_{10} = 32 + 9(-7)$$

$$a_{10} = 32 - 63$$

$$\boxed{a_{10} = -31}$$

(EX 3)

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Find missing terms in Arithmetic  
Sequence = 11, —, —, —, -17

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ N=5 \end{array}$$

$$a_N = a_1 + (N-1)d$$

$$-17 = 11 + (5-1)d$$

$$-17 = 11 + (4d)$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} -11 & -11 \\ -28 & = 4d \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{d = -7}$$

$$\therefore a_2 = 11 - 7 = \boxed{4}$$

$$a_3 = 4 - 7 = \boxed{-3}$$

$$a_4 = -3 - 7 = \boxed{-10}$$

(EX4)  
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Find  $N$ th term given 2 terms  
(in an Arithmetic sequence)

Given:  $a_9 = 120$  ,  $a_{14} = 195$

Find: 6 term, i.e.  $a_6$

Find  $d$   $a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$

$$a_{14} = a_9 + (6-1)d$$

$$195 = 120 + 5d$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -120 \\ -120 \end{array}$$

$$75 = 5d \quad \therefore d = 15$$

Find  $a_1$   $a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$

$$a_9 = a_1 + (9-1)(15)$$

$$120 = a_1 + 8(15)$$

$$120 = a_1 + 120$$

$$0 = a_1$$

$$\therefore a_6 \Rightarrow a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$

$$a_6 = 0 + (6-1)(15)$$

$$a_6 = 75$$

# ARITHMETIC SERIES

the sum of the  
terms of an  
Arithmetic sequence

(EX) Find the sum of the first 100  
terms of  $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 \dots$

Note:  $a_1 + a_{100} = 1 + 100 = 101$   
 $a_2 + a_{99} = 2 + 99 = 101$

How many pairs are  
there?  $\frac{N}{2} = \frac{100}{2} = 50$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } S_{100} &= \frac{N}{2} (a_1 + a_N) \\ &= \frac{100}{2} (101) \end{aligned}$$

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$$S_{100} = 50(101) = 5050$$

$$S_N = \left(\frac{N}{2}\right)(a_1 + a_N) \text{ or } N\left(\frac{a_1 + a_N}{2}\right)$$

(PARTIAL SUM)  
 (EX 5) Find the indicated sum for  
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(A)  $S_{15}$  for  $25 + 12 + (-1) + (-14) \dots$

$$S_N = \left(\frac{N}{2}\right)(a_1 + a_N)$$

$$S_{15} = \frac{15}{2}(25 + a_N)$$

$$a_N = a_1 + (N-1)d$$

$$d = -13$$

$$a_{15} = 25 + (15-1)(-13)$$

$$= 25 + (14)(-13)$$

$$= 25 - 182$$

$$a_{15} = -157$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 14 \\ \times 13 \\ \hline 42 \\ 140 \\ \hline 182 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore S_{15} = \frac{15}{2}(25 + (-157))$$

$$= \frac{15}{2}(-132)$$

$$= -15(66)$$

$$S_{15} = -990$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 66 \\ \times 15 \\ \hline 330 \\ 660 \\ \hline 990 \end{array}$$



(Ex B)

$$\sum_{k=1}^{12} (3+4k)$$

$$a_1 = 3 + 4(1) = 7$$

$$a_{12} = 3 + 4(12) = 51$$

$$S_N = \frac{N}{2} (a_1 + a_N)$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{12} &= \frac{12}{2} (7 + 51) \\ &= \frac{12}{2} (58) \end{aligned}$$

$$S_N = 348$$

$$S_{12} = 348$$