

# SEQUENCES + SERIES

Arithmetic

- 1, 2, 3, 4, ... +1
- 2, 4, 6, 8, ... +2
- 10, 8, 6, 4, ... + -2
- 3, 6, 12, 24, ... \*2
- 1, 2, 4, 7, 11, ...

$\begin{matrix} \times 1 & \times 2 & \times 3 & \times 4 \end{matrix}$

Sequence - a list of #'s that follow a pattern

Arithmetic seq. - adds the same value to each term

## FIBONACCI SEQUENCE

- Leonardo de Fibonacci  
- adds the two previous numbers

1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, ...

$a_1, a_2$

$a_n$   
↑ last or unknown term

$n$  = # of terms

$a_{n-1}$  = the next to the last term

Find the 1st 4 terms.

$$a_n = 4n + 2$$

$$a_1 = 4(1) + 2 = 6$$

$$a_2 = 4(2) + 2 = 10$$

$$a_3 = 4(3) + 2 = 14$$

$$a_4 = 4(4) + 2 = 18$$

$$a_n = \frac{n+2}{2n}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{1+2}{2(1)} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{2+2}{2(2)} = \frac{4}{4} = 1$$

$$a_3 = \frac{3+2}{2(3)} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$a_4 = \frac{4+2}{2(4)} = \frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4}$$

# SUMMATION NOTATION

Sigma = sum

$$\sum_{n=1}^4 (2n-3) = \underbrace{(2(1)-3)}_{-1} + \underbrace{(2(2)-3)}_{+1} + \underbrace{(2(3)-3)}_{+3} + \underbrace{(2(4)-3)}_{+5} = \boxed{8}$$

$$* \sum_{j=22}^{50} (4j+7) = \begin{matrix} a_n \\ \downarrow \\ 50 \\ \uparrow \\ j=22 \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1+a_n) \\ S_n = \frac{29}{2}(95+207) \\ +1=29 \\ = \boxed{4379} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} a_n = a_1 + d(n-1) \\ S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1+a_n) \end{matrix}$$

$$a_1 = 4(22) + 7 = 95$$

$$a_n = 4(50) + 7 = 207$$

$$n = 50 - 22 + 1 = 29$$

$$\sum_{i=2}^5 (3^{i-1}) = 3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + 3^4 = 3 + 9 + 27 + 81 = \boxed{120}$$

Geometric - multiply by same Value

Arithmetic Sequences — add the same value to each term.

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, ...  
 2, 4, 6, 8, ...  
 2.4, 3.6, 4.8, 6.0, ...

$d = \text{Common difference} = \text{the same value added to each term}$

$$d = a_2 - a_1$$

$$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{11}{10}, \frac{17}{10}, \dots$$

$+ \frac{3}{5}$

$$100, 93, 86, 79, \dots \quad d = -7$$

$$3, 11, 19, 27, \dots$$

$$3+8 \quad 3+16 \quad 3+24$$

$$3+(8 \cdot 1) \quad 3+(8 \cdot 2) \quad 3+(8 \cdot 3)$$

Find 200<sup>th</sup> term.  
 $n=200$

$$3 + (8 \cdot 199) = 1595$$

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

$$\frac{17}{12}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$$

$$\frac{17}{12}, \frac{10}{12}, \frac{3}{12}$$

$$d = -\frac{7}{12}$$

Find the 8<sup>th</sup> term.

$$a_8 = \frac{17}{12} + \frac{-7}{12}(8-1)$$

$$= \frac{17}{12} - \frac{49}{12}$$

$$= \frac{-32}{12} = \boxed{-\frac{8}{3}}$$

# ARITHMETIC SERIES

Series = sum of terms in a sequence.

$S_n$  = sum of  $n$  terms

$$S_4 = 5 + 8 + 11 + 14$$

$$= 38$$

$$+ \begin{array}{r} S_4 = 14 + 11 + 8 + 5 \\ \hline 2S_4 = 19 + 19 + 19 + 19 \end{array}$$

$$2S_4 = 4(19)$$

$$\frac{2S_4}{2} = \frac{76}{2}$$

$$S_4 = 38$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} (a_1 + a_n)$$

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How many seats will be in the 30<sup>th</sup> row?

$$a_{30} = 4 + 2(30-1) = 62$$

How many seats in section?

$$S_{30} = \frac{30}{2} (4 + 62) = 990 \text{ seats}$$

Find  $S_n$ .

$$52 + 64 + 76 + \dots + 1816.$$

$$S_n = \frac{148}{2} (52 + 1816)$$

$$S_n = 138,232$$

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

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$$1816 = 52 + 12(n-1)$$

$$-52 \quad -52$$

$$\frac{1764}{12} = \frac{12(n-1)}{12}$$

$$147 = n-1$$

$$148 = n$$