

ARITHMETIC PROGRESSION

Important concepts:

Take a look:

Sequence: - A sequence is an arrangement of numbers in a definite order according to some rule.

Progression: A sequence that follow a definite pattern is called progression.

Arithmetic Progression (A.P.): A sequence in which each term differs from its preceding term by a constant is called an arithmetic progression. This constant is called common difference of the A.P. It is denoted by 'd'.

General form of an A.P.: The general form of an A.P. is $a, a+d, a+2d, a+3d, \dots$

n^{th} term of an A.P.: If 'a' is the first term and 'd' is the common difference then $[a_n = a + (n-1)d]$

n^{th} term from the last of an A.P.: $[a_n = l + (n-1)d]$

where l = last term.

d = c.d.

Sum of n terms of an A.P.: -

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$\text{Or } S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a + l). \text{ Where } l = \text{last term.}$$

Common difference: $[d = a_k - a_{k-1}]$

- Common difference may be +ve, -ve or zero.

n^{th} term: If S_n is given then $[a_n = S_n - S_{n-1}]$

Level – I

1. Is the progression 3,9,15,21 is in A.P.?

Ans yes

2. Find the first term and common difference of the A.P.

1,5,9,13,17.

Ans : $a=1, d=4$

3. Find the 10^{th} term of the A.P. 63,58,53,48

Ans : 18

4. Find the 8^{th} term from the end of the A.P. 7,10,13.....184.

Ans : 163

5. In the given A.P. find the missing term :

$\sqrt{2}, [], 5\sqrt{2}$

Ans : $3\sqrt{2}$

6. Find the sum of first 24^{th} terms of the A.P.:

5,8,11,14,.....

Ans : 948

Level – 2

1. Which term of the A.P. 84,80,76,..... is zero. Ans : $n=22$
2. Find the sum of odd numbers between 0 and 50. Ans : 625
3. Which term of the sequence 48,43,38,33.....is the first -ve term. Ans : 11^{th}
4. if the no. $4p+1, 26, 10p-5$ are in A.P. .Find the value of p. Ans : $p=4$
5. If 9^{th} term of an A.P. is zero, prove that its 29^{th} term is double the 19^{th} term.

Level – 3

1. The 7^{th} term of an A.P. is 32 and its 13^{th} term is 62. Find the A.P. Ans : 2, 7, 12,
2. Find the sum of first 25^{th} term of an A.P. whose n^{th} term is given by $T_n = 2 - 3n$. Ans : -925
3. If m times the m^{th} term of an A.P. is equal to n times its n^{th} term; find $(m+n)^{\text{th}}$ term. Ans: 0
4. Which term of the A.P. 3,10,17,.....will be 84 more than its 13^{th} term. Ans : 25^{th}
5. If the sum of first n, 2n and 3n terms of an A.P. be S_1 , S_2 and S_3 respectively then prove that

$$S_3 = 3(S_2 - S_1).$$

Level – 4

1. How many multiple of 4 lie between 10 and 250? Also find their sum. Ans : $n=60$ $S_{60} = 7800$
2. The first and last term of an A.P. is 8 and 350 respectively. If its common difference is 9, how many terms are there and what is their sum? Ans : $n=39$, $S_{39} = 6981$
3. The sum of first 15 terms of an A.P. is 105 and the sum of the next 15 terms is 780. Find the first 3 terms of the A.P. : Ans : -14, -11, -8.
4. If the sum of first n^{th} terms of an A.P. is given by $S_n = 4n^2 - 3n$, find the n^{th} term of the A.P.
 Ans : $8n - 7$

Self Evaluation

1. Find the common difference and write the next two terms of the A.P. 8,3,-2,-7.
2. Which term of the A.P. 4,9,14 is 89?
 Also find the sum.
3. Find the sum of all two digits positive numbers divisible by 3.
4. The sum of n terms of an A.P. is $3n^2 + 5n$. find the A.P. .Also find 16^{th} term.
5. The ratio of the sum of n and m terms of an A.P. is $m^2:n^2$. Show that the ratio of the m^{th} term and n^{th} term is $(2m-1):(2n-1)$.