

- ARITHMETIC SEQUENCES

Difference between consecutive terms is **THE SAME**

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} U_1 & U_2 & U_3 & U_4 & & U_n \\ 2 & 8 & 14 & 20 & & a + (n-1)d \\ \underbrace{\quad} & \underbrace{\quad} & \underbrace{\quad} & & & \\ +6 & +6 & +6 & & & \end{array}$$

$$U_n = n^{\text{th}} \text{ term} \quad U_1 = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ term } (n=1)$$

$$a = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ term}$$

$$d = \text{common difference}$$

- SUM OF ARITHMETIC SERIES

$$5, 7, 9, 11 \quad \text{Sequence}$$

$$5 + 7 + 9 + 11 \quad \text{Series}$$

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

or

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} (a + L)$$

$L = \text{last term}$

- PROVE OF SUM (ARITHMETIC SERIES)

$$S_n = a + a+d + a+2d + \dots + a+(n-1)d$$

Switch
order

$$S_n = a+(n-1)d + \dots + a+2d + a+d + a$$

Add
together

$$2S_n = 2a+(n-1)d + 2a+(n-1)d + \dots + 2a+(n-1)d$$

simplify

$$2S_n = n [2a+(n-1)d]$$

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

- RECURRENCE RELATIONS

Rule to get to the next term ONLY.

$$U_{n+1} = U_n + 4$$

$$U_1 = 7$$

$$U_2 = U_1 + 4 = 7 + 4 = 11$$

$$U_3 = U_2 + 4 = 11 + 4 = 15$$

etc...

NOTE:

$$U_{n+1} > U_n \quad \text{sequence increasing}$$

$$U_{n+1} < U_n \quad \text{sequence decreasing}$$

$$U_{n+k} = U_n \quad \text{terms repeat in cycle} \\ (\text{order} = \text{number of terms in a cycle})$$

- GEOMETRIC SEQUENCES

Difference between consecutive terms is **COMMON MULTIPLIER**

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} U_1 & U_2 & U_3 & U_4 & & U_n \\ 2 & 4 & 8 & 16 & & ar^n - 1 \\ \underbrace{\quad} \times 2 & \underbrace{\quad} \times 2 & \underbrace{\quad} \times 2 & & & \end{array}$$

$a = 1\text{st term}$

$r = \text{common ratio/multiplier}$

- GEOMETRIC SERIES

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

or

$$S_n = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

- SUM TO INFINITY OF GEOMETRIC SERIES

$$S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

$|r| < 1$ series is convergent
(terms in series get smaller)

- SIGMA NOTATION

$\sum$ sum of

$\sum_{r=1}^{20}$ sum of first 20 terms

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 3r+1$$

1st term $3(1)+1 = 4$

2nd term $3(2)+1 = 7$

3rd term $3(3)+1 = 10$

4th term $3(4)+1 = 13$

- PROVE OF SUM (GEOMETRIC SERIES)

(A) $S_n = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1}$

(B) $r S_n = ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^n$

(A) - (B) $S_n - r S_n = a - ar^n$

Factorise $S_n(1-r) = a(1-r^n)$

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$