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Quiz Tues Feb 27 Section 3.1

3.2 Cont'd

Arithmetic sequence:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 3, & 5, & 7, & 9, & \dots \\ \underbrace{\quad} & \underbrace{\quad} & & & \\ +2 & +2 & & & \end{array}$$

Ex: An arithmetic sequence has $a_6 = 13$ and $d = -4$. Find a_1 .

$$a_n = a_m + (n-m)d$$

larger index smaller index

Sub

$$n = 6$$

$$m = 1 : a_6 = a_1 + 5(-4)$$

$$d = -4$$

$$13 = a_1 - 20$$

$$33 = a_1$$

Ex: An arithmetic sequence has $a_6 = 21$ and $a_{18} = 45$.
Find a_1 and d .

Find d : $a_n = a_m + (n-m)d$

$$n=18; \quad a_{18} = a_6 + 12d$$

$$m=6$$

$$45 = 21 + 12d$$

$$24 = 12d$$

$$2 = d$$

Find a_1 : $a_n = a_m + (n-m)d$

$$d=2$$

$$m=1$$

$$n=6$$

$$: \quad a_6 = a_1 + 5(2)$$

$$21 = a_1 + 10$$

$$11 = a_1$$

Arithmetic Series : A sum

in which the next term is the previous term plus a constant d .

example: $2 + 5 + 8 + \dots$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \boxed{2} & \boxed{5} & \boxed{8} \\ \hline & +3 & +3 \end{array}$$

Recall S_k is the sum of the first k terms of a series.

Fact

For arithmetic series:

$$S_k = \frac{k}{2} (a_m + a_n)$$

$$S_k = \frac{k}{2} [2a_m + (n-m)d]$$