ARITHMETIC PROGRESSIONS

One of the endlessly alluring aspects of mathematics is that its thorniest paradoxes have a way of blooming into beautiful theories

1. The fourth term of an AP is 0. Prove that its 25th term is triple its 11th term.

Ans: $a_4 = 0$

$\Rightarrow a + 3d = 0$

T.P $a_{25} = 3 (a_{11})$

$\Rightarrow a + 24d = 3 (a + 10d)$

$\Rightarrow a + 24d = 3a + 30d$

RHS sub a = - 3d

- 3d + 24d = 21d

LHS   3a + 30d

- 9d + 30d = 21d

LHS = RHS

Hence proved

2. Find the 20th term from the end of the AP 3, 8, 13……..253.

Ans: 3, 8, 13 ………….. 253

Last term = 253

a_{20} from end

$= l - (n-1)d$

253 – (20-1) 5

253 – 95

= 158

3. If the pth, q^{th} & r^{th} term of an AP is x, y and z respectively, show that $x(q-r) + y(r-p) + z(p-q) = 0$

Ans: p^{th} term $\Rightarrow x = A + (p-1) D$

q^{th} term $\Rightarrow y = A + (q-1) D$

r^{th} term $\Rightarrow z = A + (r-1) D$

T.P $x(q-r) + y(r-p) + z(p-q) = 0$

$= \{A+(p-1)D\}(q-r) + \{A + (q-1)D\} (r-p)$
          $+ \{A+(r-1)D\} (p-q)$

$A \{(q-r) + (r-p) + (p-q)\} + D \{(p-1)(q-r)$
          $+ (r-1) (r-p) + (r-1) (p-q)\}$

$\Rightarrow A.0 + D\{p(q-r) + q(r-p) + r (p-q)$
          $- (q-r) – (r-p)-(p-q)\}$

$= A.0 + D.0 = 0.$

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Hence proved

4. Find the sum of first 40 positive integers divisible by 6 also find the sum of first 20 positive integers divisible by 5 or 6.

Ans: No's which are divisible by 6 are

6, 12 ……………. 240.

$$S_{40} = \frac{40}{2}[6 + 240]$$

$$= 20 \times 246$$

$$= 4920$$

No's div by 5 or 6

30, 60 …………. 600

$$\frac{20}{2}[30 + 600] = 10 \times 630$$

$$= 6300$$

5. A man arranges to pay a debt of Rs.3600 in 40 monthly instalments which are in a AP. When 30 instalments are paid he dies leaving one third of the debt unpaid. Find the value of the first instalment.

Ans: Let the value of I instalment be x $S_{40} = 3600$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{40}{2}[2a + 39d] = 3600$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + 39d = 180 \qquad\qquad - \qquad 1$$

$$S_{30} = \frac{30}{2}[2a + 29d] = 2400$$

$$\Rightarrow 30a + 435d = 2400$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + 29d = 160 \qquad\qquad - \qquad 2$$

Solve 1 & 2 to get

d = 2 a = 51.

∴ I instalment = Rs.51.

6. Find the sum of all 3 digit numbers which leave remainder 3 when divided by 5.

Ans: 103, 108……….998

| a + (n-1)d | = | 998 |

$\Rightarrow$ 103 + (n-1)5 = 998

$\Rightarrow$ n = 180

$$S_{180} = \frac{180}{2}[103 + 998]$$

$$= 90 \times 1101$$

$$S_{180} = 99090$$

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7. Find the value of x if $2x + 1$, $x^2 + x + 1$, $3x^2 - 3x + 3$ are consecutive terms of an AP.

Ans:

$a_2 - a_1 = a_3 - a_2$

$\Rightarrow x^2 + x + 1 - 2x - 1 = 3x^2 - 3x + 3 - x^2 - x - 1$

$x^2 - x = 2x^2 - 4x + 2$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (x - 1)(x - 2) = 0$

$\Rightarrow x = 1$ or $x = 2$

8. Raghav buys a shop for Rs.1,20,000. He pays half the balance of the amount in cash and agrees to pay the balance in 12 annual instalments of Rs.5000 each. If the rate of interest is 12% and he pays with the instalment the interest due for the unpaid amount. Find the total cost of the shop.

Ans: Balance = Rs.60,000 in 12 instalment of Rs.5000 each.

Amount of I instalment $= 5000 + \dfrac{12}{100} 60,000$

II instalment $= 5000 + $ (Interest on unpaid amount)

$= 5000 + 6600 \qquad \left[\dfrac{12}{100} \times 55000 \right]$

$= 11600$

III instalment $= 5000 + $ (Interest on unpaid amount of Rs.50,000)

$\therefore$ AP is 12200, 11600, 11000

$D = $ is 600

Cost of shop = 60000 + [sum of 12 instalment]

$= 60,000 + \dfrac{12}{2} [24,400 - 6600]$

$= 1,66,800$

9. Prove that $a_{m+n} + a_{m-n} = 2a_m$

Ans: $a_{m+n} = a_1 + (m + n - 1) d$

$a_{m-n} = a_1 + (m - n - 1) d$

$a_m = a_1 + (m - 1) d$

Add 1 & 2

$a_{m+n} + a_{m-n} = a_1 + (m+n-1) d + a_1 + (m-n-1)d$

$= 2a_1 + (m+n+m-n-1-1)d$

$= 2a_1 + 2(m-1)d$

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$$= \quad 2[a_1 + (m-1)d]$$
$$= \quad 2[a_1 + (m-1)d]$$
$$= \quad 2a_m. \quad \text{Hence proved.}$$

10. If the roots of the equation $(b-c)x^2 + (c-a)x + (a-b) = 0$ are equal show that a, b, c are in AP.

Ans: Refer sum No.12 of Q.E.
If $(b-c)x^2 + (c-a)x + (a-b)x$ have equal root.
$B^2 - 4AC = 0$.
Proceed as in sum No.13 of Q.E to get $c + a = 2b$
$\Rightarrow b - a = c - b$
$\Rightarrow$ a, b, c are in AP

11. Balls are arranged in rows to form an equilateral triangle .The first row consists of one ball, the second two balls and so on. If 669 more balls are added, then all the balls can be arranged in the shape of a square and each of its sides then contains 8 balls less than each side of the triangle. find the initial number of balls.

Ans: Let their be n balls in each side of the triangle

$\therefore$ No. of ball (in Δ) = $1 + 2 + 3 \ldots\ldots = \dfrac{n(n+1)}{2}$

No. of balls in each side square = n-8
No. of balls in square = $(n-8)^2$

APQ $\dfrac{n(n+1)}{2} + 660 = (n-8)^2$

On solving
$n^2 + n + 1320 = 2(n^2 - 16n + 64)$
$n^2 - 33n - 1210 = 0$
$\Rightarrow (n-55)(n+22) = 0$
n=-22 (N.P)
n=55

$\therefore$ No. of balls = $\dfrac{n(n+1)}{2} = \dfrac{55 \times 56}{2}$

= 1540

12. Find the sum of $(1-\dfrac{1}{n}) + (1-\dfrac{2}{n}) + (1-\dfrac{3}{n}) \ldots\ldots$ upto n terms.

Ans: $\left(1-\dfrac{1}{n}\right) + \left(1-\dfrac{2}{n}\right)$ - upto n terms

$\Rightarrow [1+1+\ldots\ldots+n \text{ terms}] - [\dfrac{1}{n} + \dfrac{2}{n} + \ldots + n \text{ terms}]$

n $-[S_n$ up to n terms]

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

$$= \frac{n}{2}\left[\frac{2}{n} + (n-1)\frac{1}{n}\right]$$

$$= \frac{n+1}{2} \qquad \text{(on simplifying)}$$

$$n - \frac{n+1}{2} =$$

$$= \frac{n-1}{2} \text{ Ans}$$

13. If the following terms form a AP.   Find the common difference & write the next 3 terms 3, 3+ √2, 3+2√2, 3+3√2……….

Ans: d= $\sqrt{2}$ next three terms $3 + 4\sqrt{2}$, $3 + 5\sqrt{2}$, $3 + 6\sqrt{2}$……..

14. Find the sum of a+b, a-b, a-3b, …… to 22 terms.

Ans: a + b, a – b, a – 3b, up to 22 terms
d= a – b – a – b = 2b
$$S_{22} = \frac{22}{2}[2(a+b)+21(-2b)]$$
11[2a + 2b – 42b]
= 22a – 440b Ans.

15. Write the next two terms √12, √27, √48, √75……………….

Ans: next two terms $\sqrt{108}$, $\sqrt{147}$ AP is $2\sqrt{3}$, $3\sqrt{3}$, $4\sqrt{3}$, $5\sqrt{3}$, $6\sqrt{3}$, $7\sqrt{3}$ ……

16. If the pth term of an AP is q and the qth term is p. P.T its nth term is (p+q-n).

Ans: APQ
$a_p = q$
$a_q = p$
$a_n = ?$
a + (p-1) d = q
a + (q-1) d = p
d[p – q] = q – p   Sub d = -1 to get $\Rightarrow$ = -1 $\Rightarrow$ a = q + p -1
a_n = a + (n – 1)d
    = a + (n - 1)d
    = (q + p – 1) + (n – 1) - 1
a_n = (q + p – n)

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17. If $\dfrac{1}{x+2}, \dfrac{1}{x+3}, \dfrac{1}{x+5}$ are in AP find x.

Ans: $\dfrac{1}{x+2}, \dfrac{1}{x+3}, \dfrac{1}{x+5}$ are in AP find x.

$$\dfrac{1}{x+3} - \dfrac{1}{x+2} = \dfrac{1}{x+5} - \dfrac{1}{x+3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dfrac{1}{x^2+5x+6} = \dfrac{2}{x^2+8x+15}$$

On solving we get $x = 1$

18. Find the middle term of the AP 1, 8, 15….505.

Ans: Middle terms

$a + (n-1)d = 505$

$a + (n-1)7 = 505$

$n - 1 = \dfrac{504}{7}$

$n = 73$

$\therefore 37^{th}$ term is middle term

$a_{37} = a + 36d$

$\quad = 1 + 36(7)$

$\quad = 1 + 252$

$\quad = 253$

19. Find the common difference of an AP whose first term is 100 and sum of whose first 6 terms is 5 times the sum of next 6 terms.

Ans: $a = 100$

APQ $a_1 + a_2 + \ldots a_6 = 5 (a_7 + \ldots + a_{12})$

$6\left(\dfrac{a_1 + a_6}{2}\right) = 5 \times 6 \left(\dfrac{a_7 + a_{12}}{2}\right)$

$\Rightarrow a + a + 5d = 5[a + 6d + a + 11d]$

$\Rightarrow 8a + 80d = 0 \ (a = 100)$

$\Rightarrow d = -10.$

20. Find the sum of all natural no. between 101 & 304 which are divisible by 3 or 5. Find their sum.

Ans: No let 101 and 304, which are divisible by 3.

102, 105………….303 (68 terms)

No. which are divisible by 5 are 105, 110……300 (40 terms)

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No. which are divisible by 15 (3 & 5) 105, 120…… (14 terms)

∴ There are 94 terms between 101 & 304 divisible by 3 or 5. (68 + 40 – 14)

∴ $S_{68} + S_{40} - S_{14}$

= 19035

21. The ratio of the sum of first n terms of two AP's is 7n+1:4n+27. Find the ratio of their 11th terms .

Ans: Let a_1, a_2… and d_1, d_2 be the I terms are Cd's of two AP's.

$\underline{S_n \text{ of one AP}}$ = $\dfrac{7n+1}{4n+27}$

S_n of II AP

$$\dfrac{\dfrac{m}{2}\left[2a_1 + (n-1)d_1\right]}{\dfrac{m}{2}\left[2a_2 + (n-1)d_2\right]} = \dfrac{7n+1}{4n+27}$$

$\Rightarrow \dfrac{2a_1 + (n-1)d_1}{2a_2 + (n-1)d_2} = \dfrac{7n+1}{4n+27}$

We have sub. n = 21.

$\dfrac{2a_1 + 20d_1}{2a_2 + 20d_2} = \dfrac{7 \times 21 + 1}{4(21) + 27}$

$\Rightarrow \dfrac{a_1 + 10d_1}{a_2 + 10d_2} = \dfrac{148}{111}$

$= \dfrac{4}{3}$

∴ ratio of their 11th terms = 4 :3.

22. If there are (2n+1)terms in an AP ,prove that the ratio of the sum of odd terms and the sum of even terms is (n+1):n

Ans: Let a, d be the I term & Cd of the AP.

∴ $a_k = a + (k-1)$ d

s_1 = sum to odd terms

$s_1 = a_1 + a_3 + \ldots\ldots a_{2n+1}$

$s_1 = \dfrac{n+1}{2}\left[a_1 + a_{2n+1}\right]$

$= \dfrac{n+1}{2}\left[2a_1 + 2nd\right]$

$s_1 = (n+1)(a + nd)$

s_2 = sum to even terms

$s_2 = a_2 + a_4 + \ldots.. a_{2n}$

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$$s_2 = \frac{n}{2}\left[a_2 + a_{2n}\right]$$

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

$$= n\,[a + nd]$$

$$\therefore\ s_1 : s_2 = \frac{(n+1)(a+nd)}{n(a+nd)}$$

$$= \frac{n+1}{n}$$

23. Find the sum of all natural numbers amongst first one thousand numbers which are neither divisible 2 or by 5

Ans: Sum of all natural numbers in first 1000 integers which are not divisible by 2 i.e. sum of odd integers.

$1 + 3 + 5 + \ldots\ldots + 999$

$n = 500$

$S_{500} = \frac{500}{2}[1 + 999]$

$= 2,50,000$

No's which are divisible by 5

$5 + 15 + 25 \ldots\ldots + 995$

$n = 100$

$S_n = \frac{100}{2}[5 + 995]$

$= 50 \times 1000 = 50000$

$\therefore$ Required sum $= 250000 - 50,000$

$= 200000$