

**CBSE Class-11 Mathematics**  
**NCERT Solutions**  
**Chapter - 9 Sequences and Series**  
**Exercise 9.2**

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**1. Find the sum of odd integers from 1 to 2001.**

**Ans.** Odd integers from 1 to 2001 are 1, 3, 5, 7, ....., 2001.

Here,  $a = 1$ ,  $d = 3 - 1 = 2$  and  $a_n = 2001$

$$\therefore a_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\Rightarrow 2001 = 1 + (n-1) \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2001 - 1 = (n-1) \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2000}{2} = (n-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 1000 + 1 = 1001$$

$$\text{Now, } S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{1001} = \frac{1001}{2}(1 + 2001)$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{1001} = \frac{1001}{2} \times 2002 = 1002001$$

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**2. Find the sum of all natural numbers lying between 100 and 1000 which are multiples of 5.**

**Ans.** According to question, series is 105, 110, 115, 120, ....., 995

Here  $a = 105$ ,  $d = 110 - 105 = 5$  and  $a_n = 995$

$$\therefore a_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\Rightarrow 995 = 105 + (n-1) \times 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 995 - 105 = (n-1) \times 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{890}{5} = (n-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 178 + 1 = 179$$

$$\text{Now, } S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a+l)$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{179} = \frac{179}{2}(105 + 995)$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{179} = \frac{179}{2} \times 1100 = 98450$$

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**3. In an A.P. the first term is 2 and the sum of the first five terms is one-fourth of the next five terms. Show that 20<sup>th</sup> term is -112.**

**Ans.** According to question,  $a=2$  and  $S_5 = \frac{1}{4}[S_{10} - S_5]$

$$\Rightarrow 4S_5 = S_{10} - S_5$$

$$\Rightarrow 5S_5 = S_{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \left[ \frac{5}{2} \{ 2 \times 2 + (5-1)d \} \right] = \frac{10}{2} [ 2 \times 2 + (10-1)d ] \text{ since } S_n = \frac{n}{2} [ 2a + (n-1)d ]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{25}{2} [ 4 + 4d ] = 5 [ 4 + 9d ]$$

$$\Rightarrow 25[4 + 4d] = 10[4 + 9d]$$

$$\Rightarrow 100 + 100d = 40 + 90d$$

$$\Rightarrow 10d = -60$$

$$\Rightarrow d = -6$$

$$\text{Now, } a_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{20} = 2 + (20-1) \times (-6)$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{20} = 2 - 114 = -112$$

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4. How many terms of the A.P.,  $-6, \frac{-11}{2}, -5, \dots$  are needed to give the sum  $-25$  ?

$$\text{Ans. Here, } a = -6, d = \frac{-11}{2} - (-6) = \frac{-11}{2} + 6 = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow -25 = \frac{n}{2} \left[ 2 \times (-6) + (n-1) \times \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow -50 = n \left[ -12 + \frac{n-1}{2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow -50 = n \left[ \frac{-24 + n - 1}{2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow -100 = n^2 - 25n$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 25n + 100 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (n-20)(n-5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 20 \text{ or } n = 5$$

5. In an A.P., if  $p^{\text{th}}$  term is  $\frac{1}{q}$  and  $q^{\text{th}}$  term is  $\frac{1}{p}$ , prove that the sum of first  $pq$  terms is  $\frac{1}{2}(pq+1)$ , where  $p \neq q$ .

**Ans.** Let  $a$  be the first term and  $d$  be the common difference of given A.P.

$$\text{And } a_p = \frac{1}{q} \text{ and } a_q = \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\therefore a + (p-1)d = \frac{1}{q} \text{ and } a + (q-1)d = \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow a + pd - d = \frac{1}{q} \text{ .....(i) and } a + qd - d = \frac{1}{p} \text{ .....(ii)}$$

Subtracting eq. (ii) from eq. (i), we get

$$a + pd - d - (a + qd - d) = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow a + pd - d - a - qd + d = \frac{p-q}{pq}$$

$$\Rightarrow (p-q)d = \frac{p-q}{pq}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{p-q}{pq} \times \frac{1}{p-q} = \frac{1}{pq}$$

Putting value of  $d$  in eq. (i), we get

$$a + p \frac{1}{pq} - d = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\Rightarrow a + \frac{1}{q} - d = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{q} + d - \frac{1}{q} = d = \frac{1}{pq}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{pq}{2} \left[ 2 \times \frac{1}{pq} + (pq-1) \times \frac{1}{pq} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{pq}{2} \left[ \frac{2}{pq} + \frac{pq-1}{pq} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{pq}{2} \left[ \frac{2+pq-1}{pq} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{pq}{2} \left[ \frac{1+pq}{pq} \right] = \frac{pq+1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{1}{2} (pq+1)$$

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**6. If the sum of a certain number of terms of the A.P. 25, 22, 19, ..... is 116, find the last term.**

**Ans.** Here  $a = 25$ ,  $d = 22 - 25 = -3$  and  $S_n = 116$

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

$$\Rightarrow 116 = \frac{n}{2} [2 \times 25 + (n-1) \times (-3)]$$

$$\Rightarrow 232 = n [50 - 3n + 3]$$

$$\Rightarrow 232 = 53n - 3n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3n^2 - 53n + 232 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{-(-53) \pm \sqrt{(-53)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times 232}}{2 \times 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{53 \pm \sqrt{2809 - 2784}}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{53 \pm \sqrt{25}}{6} = \frac{53 \pm 5}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{53+5}{6} \text{ or } n = \frac{53-5}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{58}{6} \text{ or } n = \frac{48}{6} = 8$$

But  $n = \frac{58}{6}$  is not possible as  $n \in N$ . Therefore,  $n = 8$

$$\text{Now, } a_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\Rightarrow a_8 = 25 + (8-1) \times (-3)$$

$$\Rightarrow a_8 = 25 - 21 = 4$$

**7. Find the sum of  $n$  terms of an A.P. whose  $k^{\text{th}}$  term is  $5k+1$ .**

**Ans.** Given:  $a_k = 5k+1$

Putting  $k=1$  and  $k=n$ , we get

$$a = 5 \times 1 + 1 = 6 \text{ and } a_n = 5n + 1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow S_n = \frac{n}{2}(6+5n+1) = \frac{n}{2}(5n+7)$$

8. If the sum of  $n$  terms of an A.P. is  $(pn + qn^2)$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are constants, find the common difference.

Ans. Given:  $S_n = pn + qn^2$

Put  $n=1$  we get,  $S_1 = p + q \Rightarrow a = p + q \dots\dots\dots(i)$

Now  $S_n = pn + qn^2$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n}{2} [2(p+q) + (n-1)d] = pn + qn^2 \text{ (using .(i) )}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n(p+q) + n(n-1)d = 2pn + 2qn^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2nq + n(n-1)d = 2qn^2$$

$$\Rightarrow n(n-1)d = 2qn(n-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow d = 2q$$

9. The sums of  $n$  terms of two arithmetic progressions are on the ratio  $5n+4 : 9n+6$ . Find the ratio of their 18<sup>th</sup> terms.

Ans. Let  $a_1, a_2$  and  $d_1, d_2$  be the first terms and common differences of two A.P's respectively.

$$\therefore \frac{\frac{n}{2} [2a_1 + (n-1)d_1]}{\frac{n}{2} [2a_2 + (n-1)d_2]} = \frac{5n+4}{9n+6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2a_1 + (n-1)d_1}{2a_2 + (n-1)d_2} = \frac{5n+4}{9n+6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_1 + \left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)d_1}{a_2 + \left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)d_2} = \frac{5n+4}{9n+6}$$

Now, to get 18<sup>th</sup> term,  $\frac{n-1}{2} = 17$

$$\Rightarrow n = 35$$

$$\therefore \frac{a_1 + 17d_1}{a_2 + 17d_2} = \frac{5 \times 35 + 4}{9 \times 35 + 6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_1 + 17d_1}{a_2 + 17d_2} = \frac{179}{321}$$

Therefore, the ratio of 18<sup>th</sup> terms of two A.P.'s is 179: 321.

**10. If the sum of first  $p$  terms of an A.P. is equal to the sum of the first  $q$  terms, then find the sum of the first  $(p+q)$  terms.**

**Ans.** Let  $a$  be the first term and  $d$  be the common difference of given A.P.

$$\therefore S_p = \frac{p}{2}[2a + (p-1)d] \text{ and } S_q = \frac{q}{2}[2a + (q-1)d]$$

According to question,  $S_p = S_q$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2ap + p^2d - pd = 2aq + q^2d - qd$$

$$\Rightarrow 2ap - 2aq = q^2d - p^2d + pd - qd$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a(p-q) = [-(p^2 - q^2)d + (p-q)d]$$



$$\Rightarrow 2a(p - q) = [-(p - q)(p + q)d + (p - q)d]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a(p - q) = (p - q)[1 - p - q]d$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{(1 - p - q)d}{2}$$

$$\text{Now } S_{p+q} = \frac{p+q}{2} \left[ \frac{2(1 - p - q)d}{2} + (p + q - 1)d \right]$$

$$= \frac{p+q}{2} [d - pd - qd + pd + qd - d]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{p+q} = \frac{p+q}{2} \times 0 = 0$$

**11. Sum of the first  $p, q$  and  $r$  terms of an A.P. are  $a, b$  and  $c$  respectively. Prove that  $\frac{a}{p} + \frac{b}{q} + \frac{c}{r} = 3a$**

**Ans.** Let  $A$  be the first term and  $d$  be the common difference of given A.P.

$$\therefore S_p = \frac{p}{2} [2A + (p - 1)d] = a$$

$$\Rightarrow A + \frac{p-1}{2}d = \frac{a}{p} \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$S_q = \frac{q}{2} [2A + (q - 1)d] = b$$

$$\Rightarrow A + \frac{q-1}{2}d = \frac{b}{q} \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

$$S_r = \frac{r}{2} [2A + (r - 1)d] = c$$

$$\Rightarrow A + \frac{r-1}{2}d = \frac{c}{r} \dots\dots\dots(iii)$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{a}{p}(q-r) + \frac{b}{q}(r-p) + \frac{c}{r}(p-q) = 0$$

Putting the values of  $\frac{a}{p}$ ,  $\frac{b}{q}$  and  $\frac{c}{r}$  from eq. (i), (ii) and (iii), we get

$$\left[ A + \frac{p-1}{2}d \right](q-r) + \left[ A + \frac{q-1}{2}d \right](r-p) + \left[ A + \frac{r-1}{2}d \right](p-q) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A(q-r+r-p+p-q) + d \left[ \frac{p-1}{2}(q-r) + \frac{q-1}{2}(r-p) + \frac{r-1}{2}(p-q) \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A(0) + d \left[ \frac{pq - pr - q + r}{2} + \frac{qr - pq - r + p}{2} + \frac{pr - qr - p + q}{2} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 + d \left[ \frac{pq - pr - q + r + qr - pq - r + p + pr - qr - p + q}{2} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 + d \left[ \frac{0}{2} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S. Proved.}$$

**12. The ratio of the sum of  $m$  and  $n$  terms of an A.P. is  $m^2 : n^2$ . Show that the ratio of  $m^{\text{th}}$  and  $n^{\text{th}}$  term is  $(2m-1) : (2n-1)$ .**

**Ans.** Let  $a$  be the first term and  $d$  be the common difference of given A.P.

$$\therefore S_m = \frac{m}{2} [2a + (m-1)d] \text{ and } S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d]$$

According to question,  $\frac{S_m}{S_n} = \frac{\frac{m}{2}[2a + (m-1)d]}{\frac{n}{2}[2a + (n-1)d]} = \frac{m^2}{n^2}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2a + (m-1)d}{2a + (n-1)d} = \frac{m^2}{n^2} \times \frac{n}{2} \times \frac{2}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2a + (m-1)d}{2a + (n-1)d} = \frac{m}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2an + n(m-1)d = 2am + m(n-1)d$$

$$\Rightarrow 2an - 2am = (mn - m)d - (mn - n)d$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a(n - m) = (mn - m - mn + n)d$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a(n - m) = (n - m)d$$

$$\Rightarrow d = 2a$$

Now,  $\frac{a_m}{a_n} = \frac{a + (m-1)d}{a + (n-1)d} = \frac{a + (m-1)2a}{a + (n-1)2a}$

$$= \frac{a(1+2m-2)}{a(1+2n-2)} = \frac{2m-1}{2n-1}$$

$$\therefore a_m : a_n = (2m-1) : (2n-1)$$

**13. If the sum of  $n$  terms of an A.P. is  $3n^2 + 5n$  and its  $m^{\text{th}}$  term is 164, find the value of  $m$ .**

**Ans.** Given:  $S_n = 3n^2 + 5n$  and  $a_m = 164$

Put  $n=1$  and  $n=2$  in  $S_n$  we get,  $S_1 = 3 + 5 = 8 \Rightarrow a = 8$  .....(i)

$$\text{and } S_2 = 3(4) + 5(2) = 12 + 10 = 22$$

We have  $a_n = S_n - S_{n-1}$

$$\therefore a_2 = S_2 - S_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_2 = 22 - 8 = 14$$

$$\text{Now } d = a_2 - a_1 = 14 - 8 = 6$$

$$\therefore a_m = 164 \Rightarrow a + (m - 1)d = 164$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + (m - 1)6 = 164$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 6m - 6 = 164$$

$$\Rightarrow 6m = 162$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{162}{6} = 27$$

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**14. Insert five numbers between 8 and 26 so that the resulting sequence is an A.P.**

**Ans.** Let  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4$  and  $A_5$  be five numbers between 8 and 26 such that

8,  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, 26$  are in A.P

Here,  $a = 8$  and  $a_7 = 26$  and let  $d$  be the common difference.

$$\therefore a_7 = a + (7 - 1)d = 26$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 6d = 26$$

$$\Rightarrow 6d = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow d = 3$$

$$\text{Now, } A_1 = a + d = 8 + 3 = 11$$

$$A_2 = a + 2d = 8 + 2 \times 3 = 8 + 6 = 14$$

$$A_3 = a + 3d = 8 + 3 \times 3 = 8 + 9 = 17$$

$$A_4 = a + 4d = 8 + 4 \times 3 = 8 + 12 = 20$$

$$A_5 = a + 5d = 8 + 5 \times 3 = 8 + 15 = 23$$

Hence the five numbers are 11, 14, 17, 20 and 23

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15. If  $\frac{a^n + b^n}{a^{n-1} + b^{n-1}}$  is the A.M. between 'a' and 'b' then find the value of  $n$ .

**Ans.** Since, A.M. between  $a$  and  $b$  is  $\frac{a+b}{2}$ .

$$\therefore \frac{a^n + b^n}{a^{n-1} + b^{n-1}} = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a^n + 2b^n = a^n + ab^{n-1} + b^n + ba^{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^n + b^n = ab^{n-1} + ba^{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^n - ba^{n-1} = ab^{n-1} - b^n$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{n-1}(a-b) = b^{n-1}(a-b)$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{n-1} = b^{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^{n-1}}{b^{n-1}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{n-1} = \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^0$$

$$\Rightarrow n-1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 1$$

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16. Between 1 and 31,  $m$  numbers have been inserted in such a way that resulting

sequence is an A.P. and the ratio of 7<sup>th</sup> and  $(m-1)^{th}$  numbers is 5: 9. Find the value of  $m$ .

**Ans.** Let  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, \dots, A_m$  be  $m$  numbers between 1 and 31.

Here,  $a = 1$  and let the common difference be  $d$ .

$$\therefore a_{m+2} = 31$$

$$\Rightarrow a + (m+2-1)d = 31$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + (m+1)d = 31$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{30}{m+1}$$

$$\text{Now, } A_7 = a + 7d = 1 + 7 \times \left( \frac{30}{m+1} \right) = \frac{m+1+210}{m+1} = \frac{m+211}{m+1}$$

$$\text{And } A_{m-1} = a + (m-1)d = 1 + (m-1) \times \left( \frac{30}{m+1} \right) = \frac{m+1+30m-30}{m+1} = \frac{31m-29}{m+1}$$

$$\text{According to question, } \frac{A_7}{A_{m-1}} = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{m+211}{m+1}}{\frac{31m-29}{m+1}} = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m+211}{31m-29} = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9m + 1899 = 155m - 145$$

$$\Rightarrow 146m = 2044$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 14$$

**17. A man starts repaying a loan as first installment of Rs. 100. If he increases the installment by Rs. 5 every month, what amount he will pay in the 30<sup>th</sup> installment?**

**Ans.** Amount of 1<sup>st</sup> installment = Rs. 100 and Amount of 2<sup>nd</sup> installment = Rs. 105

The monthly installments 100, 105, 110, ..... form an A.P

$$\therefore a = 100, d = 105 - 100 = 5 \text{ and } n = 30$$

$$\text{Now } a_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{30} = 100 + (30-1) \times 5$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{30} = 100 + 29 \times 5$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{30} = 100 + 145 = \text{Rs. } 245$$

Therefore, the amount of 30<sup>th</sup> installment is Rs. 245.

**18. The difference between any two consecutive interior angles of a polygon is  $5^\circ$ . If the smallest angle is  $120^\circ$ , find the number of the sides of the polygon.**

**Ans.** Let the number of sides of polygon be  $n$ . The interior angles of the polygon form an A.P.

$$\text{Here, } a = 120^\circ \text{ and } d = 5^\circ$$

Since Sum of interior angles of a polygon with  $n$  sides is  $(n-2) \times 180^\circ$

$$\therefore S_n = (n-2) \times 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n}{2} [2 \times 120 + (n-1) \times 5] = 180n - 360$$

$$\Rightarrow 120n + \frac{5n^2 - 5n}{2} = 180n - 360$$

$$\Rightarrow 240n + 5n^2 - 5n = 360n - 720$$

$$\Rightarrow 5n^2 - 125n + 720 = 0$$

divide by 5, we get

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 25n + 144 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (n-16)(n-9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 16 \text{ or } n = 9$$

But  $n = 16$  not possible because  $a_{16} = a + 15d = 120 + 15 \times 5 = 195^\circ > 180^\circ$

Therefore, number of sides of the polygon are 9.