

Arithmetic Sequences

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Determine if the sequence is arithmetic. If it is, find the common difference.

1) 14, 22, 30, 38, ...

2) 10, 110, 210, 310, ...

3) -14, -6, -2, 0, ...

4) 6, -4, -14, -24, ...

Determine if the sequence is arithmetic. If it is, find the common difference, the explicit formula, and the recursive formula.

5) -13, -21, -29, -37, ...

6) 1, -6, -13, -20, ...

7) -5, 4, 13, 22, ...

8) 38, 48, 58, 68, ...

9) 26, 21, 16, 11, ...

10) 10, 0, -10, -20, ...

Given the explicit formula for an arithmetic sequence find the first five terms.

11) $a_n = 22 + (n - 1) \cdot -200$

12) $a_n = -36 + (n - 1) \cdot 8$

13) $a_n = -27 + (n - 1) \cdot 100$

14) $a_n = 36 + (n - 1) \cdot -30$

Given the recursive formula for an arithmetic sequence find the first five terms.

15) $a_n = a_{n-1} - 10$
 $a_1 = 26$

16) $a_n = a_{n-1} - 5$
 $a_1 = 14$

17) $a_n = a_{n-1} - 6$
 $a_1 = 18$

18) $a_n = a_{n-1} - 100$
 $a_1 = 2$

Given the explicit formula for an arithmetic sequence find the 52nd term.

19) $a_n = 6 + (n - 1) \cdot 5$

20) $a_n = 26 + (n - 1) \cdot -10$

21) $a_n = -20 + (n - 1) \cdot 7$

22) $a_n = 25 + (n - 1) \cdot 9$

Find the 52nd term and the explicit formula.

23) $-34, -44, -54, -64, \dots$

24) $-29, -35, -41, -47, \dots$

25) $23, 15, 7, -1, \dots$

26) $-16, -116, -216, -316, \dots$

Answers to Arithmetic Sequences (ID: 1)

- 1) $d = 8$ 2) $d = 100$ 3) Not arithmetic 4) $d = -10$
- 5) Common Difference: $d = -8$ 6) Common Difference: $d = -7$ 7) Common Difference: $d = 9$
Explicit: $a_n = -5 - 8n$ Explicit: $a_n = 8 - 7n$ Explicit: $a_n = -14 + 9n$
Recursive: $a_n = a_{n-1} - 8$ Recursive: $a_n = a_{n-1} - 7$ Recursive: $a_n = a_{n-1} + 9$
 $a_1 = -13$ $a_1 = 1$ $a_1 = -5$
- 8) Common Difference: $d = 10$ 9) Common Difference: $d = -5$
Explicit: $a_n = 28 + 10n$ Explicit: $a_n = 31 - 5n$
Recursive: $a_n = a_{n-1} + 10$ Recursive: $a_n = a_{n-1} - 5$
 $a_1 = 38$ $a_1 = 26$
- 10) Common Difference: $d = -10$ 11) 22, -178, -378, -578, -778
Explicit: $a_n = 20 - 10n$
Recursive: $a_n = a_{n-1} - 10$
 $a_1 = 10$
- 12) -36, -28, -20, -12, -4 13) -27, 73, 173, 273, 373 14) 36, 6, -24, -54, -84
15) 26, 16, 6, -4, -14 16) 14, 9, 4, -1, -6 17) 18, 12, 6, 0, -6
18) 2, -98, -198, -298, -398 19) $a_{52} = 261$ 20) $a_{52} = -484$
21) $a_{52} = 337$ 22) $a_{52} = 484$ 23) $a_{52} = -544$
Explicit: $a_n = -24 - 10n$
- 24) $a_{52} = -335$ 25) $a_{52} = -385$ 26) $a_{52} = -5116$
Explicit: $a_n = -23 - 6n$ Explicit: $a_n = 31 - 8n$ Explicit: $a_n = 84 - 100n$