

Chapter 14 Sequences and Series

Notes 14.2 Arithmetic and Geometric Sequences and Other Sequences

Find the next 3 terms of each sequence.

1. 3, 5, 7, _____, _____, _____

Formula:

2. 6, 12, 24, _____, _____, _____

Formula:

3. 3, 9, 27, _____, _____, _____

Formula:

4. 5, -2, -9, _____, _____, _____

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A **sequence** is a function whose domain is the set of positive integers. n is the term number and t_n is the term value. (ex #1: the 1st term is 3 so $n = 1$ and $t_n = 3$)

Arithmetic sequence—each term is formed by *adding* a constant to the previous term. (the constant is called the **common difference**)

Geometric sequence—each term is formed by *multiplying* the previous term by a constant (called the **common ratio**)

5. a) Find the 100th term, t_{100} , of the sequence 3, 5, 7, ...

b) Find the term number, n , that 105 is in the sequence 3, 5, 7, ...

6. a) Find the 100th term, t_{100} , of the sequence 6, 12, 24, ...

b) Find the term number, n , that 786,432 is in the sequence 6, 12, 24, ...

7. You have \$40 saved for something. You take on a part-time job that pays \$13 per day. Each day you keep track of how much you have.

Days (n)	\$ or t_n
1	53
2	66
3	79
4	92

- What kind of sequence is this?
- How much money would you have after 3 months?
- How long would it take to save \$5000?

8. When you leave money in a savings account, the interest is compounded. Let's say you put \$1000 in an account for your baby when it is born and the interest is 6% per year (compounded once a year).

- What kind of sequence is this? Write a formula.
- Find the first 3 terms.
- How much money would there be saved on the 18th birthday?
- When would that person have \$10,000 saved?

9. Type of sequence: Geometric, arithmetic or neither?

n	t_n
1	6
2	12
3	20
4	30
5	42