



Definition:

an arithmetic progression (AP) or arithmetic sequence is a sequence of numbers such that the difference between the consecutive terms is constant.





EX 1:

1234 differnece = 1

EX 2:

258 differnece = 3

notice that N can be even or odd and we can start with any number





EX 1:

EX 2:

okay is there is a formula for the sum try to find it first (hint in the next slide)



hint 1: N is even

$$1234$$
 sum = $5+5$

hint 2: notice the arrows

$$123456$$
 sum = $7+7+7$

focus on the even case for now did you get the formula?



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Arithmetic Progression

hint: N is even

1357
$$sum = 8*2 = 16$$

answer:

$$sum = (a1+an)*(n/2)$$

a1 = first numberan = last numbern = how many numbers



hint: N is odd

12345



answer:

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$$mid num = (a1+an)/2$$

$$sum = ((a1+an)/2) *n$$



$$(a1+an)*(n/2) or ((a1+an)/2)*n$$

that's our general rule for any case

case 2:38131823

ans
$$=((3+23)*5)/2 = 65$$



$$EX 1: n = 4$$

25811 differnece = 3



substitute from 2 in 1 we get:

sum =
$$((2a1+(n-1)d)*n)/2$$
 3

