NCERT Solutions for Class 10 Chapter 5-Arithmetic Progressions

EXERCISE 5.1

Question 1:

In which of the following situations, does the list of numbers involved make an arithmetic progression and why?

- (i) The taxi fare after each km when the fare is ₹ 15 for the first km and ₹ 8 for each additional km.
 - (i) Let t_n be the taxi fare for first n km.

Then
$$t_1 = a = 15$$
, $t_2 = 15 + 8 = 23$, $t_3 = 23 + 8 = 31$
So, the list will be as follows: 15, 23, 31, ...

50, the list will be as follows. 15, 2

Here
$$t_2 - t_1 = t_3 - t_2 = \dots = 8$$

Thus, this situation forms an AP.

- (ii) The amount of air present in a cylinder when a vacuum pump removes 14 of the air remaining in the cylinder at a time.
 - (ii) Let the first term be x units.

Then,
$$t_1 = a = x$$

 $t_2 = x - \frac{1}{4}x = \frac{3}{4}x$ units
 $t_3 = \frac{3}{4}x - \frac{1}{4}(\frac{3}{4}x) = \frac{9}{16}x$ units
 $t_4 = \frac{9}{16}x - \frac{1}{4}(\frac{9}{16}x) = \frac{27}{64}x$ units

The list of numbers is x, $\frac{3}{4}x$, $\frac{9}{16}x$, $\frac{27}{64}x$, ...

Since $t_2 - t_1 \neq t_3 - t_2$, therefore, it is **not**

- (iii) The cost of digging a well after every meter of digging, when it costs ₹ 150 for the first meter and rises by ₹ 50 for each subsequent meter.
 - (iii) First term a = ₹ 150.

Common difference for every subsequent metre is ₹ 50.

$$t_1 = a = 150$$

 $t_2 = a + d = 150 + 50 = 200$
 $t_3 = a + 2d = 150 + 2 \times 50 = 250$
 $t_4 = a + 3d = 150 + 150 = 300$
Since $t_2 - t_1 = t_3 - t_2 = 50$, therefore, it is **an AP**.

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- (iv)The amount of money in the account every year, when ₹ 10000 is deposited at compound interest at 8% per annum.
 - (iv) Let t_n be the amount of money in the nth year.

Then,
$$t_1 = a = 10,000$$
.

$$t_2 = 10,000 + 10,000 \times \frac{8}{100}$$

$$= 10,000 + 800 = 10,800$$

$$t_3 = 10,800 + 10,800 \times \frac{8}{100}$$

$$= 10,800 + 864 = 11,664$$

$$t_4 = 11,664 + 11,664 \times \frac{8}{100}$$

The list is 10000, 10800, 11664, 12597.12, ...

Here,
$$t_2 - t_1 \neq t_3 - t_2$$
, therefore, it is **not** an **AP**.

Question 2:

Write first four terms of the AP, when the first term a and the common difference d are given as follows:

Solution:

$$a_1 = 10$$
,

$$a_2 = 10 + 10 = 20$$

$$a_3 = 20 + 10 = 30$$

$$a_4 = 30 + 10 = 40$$

Thus, the first four terms of the AP are 10, 20, 30, 40.

(ii)
$$a = -2, d = 0$$

Solution:

(ii) Given:
$$a = -2$$
, $d = 0$

The first four terms of the AP are -2, -2, -2, -2.

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(iii)
$$a = 4, d = -3$$

Solution:

(iii)
$$a_1 = 4$$
, $d = -3$
 $a_2 = a_1 + d = 4 - 3 = 1$
 $a_3 = a_2 + d = 1 - 3 = -2$
 $a_4 = a_3 + d = -2 - 3 = -5$

Thus, the first four terms of the AP are 4, 1, -2, -5.

(iv)
$$a = -1$$
, $d = \frac{1}{2}$

Solution:

(iv)
$$a_1 = -1, d = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_2 = a_1 + d = \frac{-1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{-1}{2}$$

$$a_3 = a_2 + d = \frac{-1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$a_4 = a_3 + d = 0 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus, the first four terms of the AP are $-1, -\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}$.

(v)
$$a = -1.25, d = -0.25$$

Solution:

(v)
$$a_1 = -1.25$$
, $d = -0.25$
 $a_2 = a_1 + d = -1.25 - 0.25 = -1.50$
 $a_3 = a_2 + d = -1.50 - 0.25 = -1.75$
 $a_4 = a_3 + d = -1.75 - 0.25 = -2$

Thus, the first four terms of the AP are -1.25, -1.50, -1.75, -2.

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Question 3:

For the following APs, write the first term and the common difference:

- (i) 3, 1, -1, -3,
- (ii) -5, -1, 3, 7,
- (iii) 1/3, 5/3, 9/3, 13/3,
- (iv) 0.6, 1.7, 2.8, 3.9,

Solution:

let a be the first item and d the common difference, then:

(i)
$$a = 3$$
 and $d = t_2 - t_1 = 1 - 3 = -2$.

(ii)
$$a = -5$$
 and $d = t_2 - t_1' = -1 - (-5) = 4$

(iii)
$$a = \frac{1}{3}$$
 and $d = t_2 - t_1 = \frac{5}{3} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$

(iv)
$$a = 0.6$$
 and $d = t_2 - t_1 = 1.7 - 0.6 = 1.1$.

Question 4:

Which of the following are APs? If they form an AP, find the common difference d and write three more terms.

- (i) 2, 4, 8, 16,
- (ii) 2, $\frac{5}{2}$, 3, $\frac{7}{2}$,
- (iii) -1.2, -3.2, -5.2, -7.2,
- (iv) -10, -6, -2,2,
- (v) 3, $3 + \sqrt{2}$, $3 + 2\sqrt{2}$, $3 + 3\sqrt{2}$,
- (vi) 0.2, 0.22, 0.222, 0.2222,
- (vii) 0, -4, -8, -12,
- (Viii) $\frac{-1}{2}$, $\frac{-1}{2}$, $\frac{-1}{2}$, $\frac{-1}{2}$,
- (ix) 1, 3, 9, 27,
- (x) a, 2a, 3a, 4a,
- (xi) a, a2, a3, a4,
- (xii) $\sqrt{2}$, $\sqrt{8}$, $\sqrt{18}$, $\sqrt{32}$,
- (xiii) $\sqrt{3}$, $\sqrt{6}$, $\sqrt{9}$, $\sqrt{12}$,
- (xiv) 12, 32, 52, 72,
- (xv) 12, 52, 72, 73,

Solution:

$$a_2 - a_1 = 4 - 2 = 2$$

$$a_3 - a_2 = 8 - 4 = 4$$

Thus, the given sequence is not an AP.

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(ii)
$$2, \frac{5}{2}, 3, \frac{7}{2}, \dots$$

$$a_2 - a_1 = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{2}{1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_3 - a_2 = \frac{3}{1} - \frac{5}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_2 - a_1 = a_3 - a_2$$

Thus, the given sequence is an AP.

$$a_1 = 2, d = \frac{1}{2}$$

Next three terms are
$$a_5 = a_4 + d = \frac{7}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 4$$
,

$$a_6 = a_5 + d = 4 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{9}{2}, a_7 = a_6 + d = \frac{9}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 5$$

(iii) -1.2. -3.2, -5.2, -7.2, ...
$$a_2 - a_1 = -3.2 - (-1.2) = -3.2 + 1.2 = -2$$
$$a_3 - a_2 = -5.2 - (-3.2) = -5.2 + 3.2 = -2$$
$$a_3 - a_2 = a_2 - a_1$$

Thus, the given sequence is an AP.

Next three terms are
$$a_1 = -1.2, d = -2$$

$$a_5 = a_4 + d = -7.2 + (-2) = -9.2,$$

$$a_6 = a_5 + d = (-9.2) + (-2) = -11.2$$

$$a_7 = a_6 + d = (-11.2) + (-2) = -13.2$$

(iv)
$$-10, -6, -2, 2, ...$$

$$a_2 - a_1 = -6 - (-10) = 4$$

 $a_3 - a_2 = -2 - (-6) = 4$

Thus, the given sequence is an AP.

$$a_1 = -10, d = 4$$

Next three terms are
$$a_5 = a_4 + d = 2 + 4 = 6, a_6 = a_5 + d = 6 + 4 = 10$$

 $a_7 = a_6 + d = 10 + 4 = 14$

(v)
$$3, 3+\sqrt{2}, 3+2\sqrt{2}, 3+3\sqrt{2}, ...$$

$$a_2 - a_1 = 3 + \sqrt{2} - 3 = \sqrt{2}$$

 $a_3 - a_2 = 3 + 2\sqrt{2} - 3 - \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2}$

Thus, the given sequence is an AP.

Next three terms are
$$a_1 = 3, d = \sqrt{2}$$

$$a_5 = a_4 + d = 3 + 3\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} = 3 + 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$a_6 = a_5 + d = 3 + 4\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} = 3 + 5\sqrt{2}$$

$$a_7 = a_6 + d = 3 + 5\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} = 3 + 6\sqrt{2}$$

(vi) 0.2, 0.22, 0.222, 0.2222, ...

$$a_2 - a_1 = 0.22 - 0.2 = 0.02$$

 $a_3 - a_2 = 0.222 - 0.22 = 0.002$
 $a_3 - a_2 \neq a_2 - a_1$

Thus, the given sequence is not an AP.

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(vii)
$$0, -4, -8, -12, \dots$$
 $a_2 - a_1 = -4 - 0 = -4$

$$a_3 - a_2 = -8 - (-4) = -4$$

$$a_3 - a_2 = a_2 - a_1$$

Thus, the given sequence is an AP.

$$a_1 = 0, d = -4$$
Next three terms are
$$a_5 = a_4 + d = -12 + (-4)$$

$$a_5 = a_4 + d = -12 + (-4) = -16$$

 $a_6 = a_5 + d = -16 - 4 = -20$

$$a_7 = a_6 + d = -20 - 4 = -24$$

(viii)
$$\frac{-1}{2}, \frac{-1}{2}, \frac{-1}{2}, \frac{-1}{2}, \dots$$

$$a_2 - a_1 = \frac{-1}{2} - \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right) = \frac{-1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$a_3 - a_2 = \frac{-1}{2} - \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$a_3 - a_2 = a_2 - a_1$$

Thus, the given sequence is an AP.

$$a_1 = \frac{-1}{2}, d = 0$$

Next three terms are

$$a_5 = a_4 + d = \frac{-1}{2}, a_6 = a_5 + d = \frac{-1}{2}, a_7 = a_6 + d = \frac{-1}{2}.$$

(ix) 1, 3, 9, 27,

$$a_2 - a_1 = 3 - 1 = 2$$

$$a_3 - a_2 = 9 - 3 = 6$$

$$a_3 - a_2 \neq a_2 - a_1$$

Thus, the given sequence is not an AP.