

CS1800

Admin:

- hw7 due Friday
- exam2 due Friday
- recitation this week:
 - no quiz
 - focus on exam2 practice problems (available on website)

Content:

- Series & Sequences (Arithmetic, Geometric & Quadratic)
- Given a series, identify its type (may be none of the 3 above)
- Express the i -th term in a sequence
- Compute the partial sum of a series (Arithmetic & Geometric)

Summation Notation: a quick reminder

$$\sum_{k=0}^4 1 + 2^k$$

k IN LAST TERM

k IN FIRST TERM

$$1 + 2^k =$$

$$\begin{aligned} &+ 1 + 2^0 \\ &+ 1 + 2^1 \\ &+ 1 + 2^2 \\ &+ 1 + 2^3 \\ &+ 1 + 2^4 \end{aligned} = \begin{aligned} &+ 1 \\ &+ 3 \\ &+ 5 \\ &+ 9 \\ &+ 17 \end{aligned} = 35$$

NOTICE: *k* IS WHOLE NUMBER WHICH STEPS BY 1

Sequences & Series (definition):

A **sequence** is an ordered list of objects (always numbers in this CS1800 unit)

$$1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \dots$$

A **series** is the **sum** of an **infinite** sequence of objects

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k$$

A **partial sum** (of a series) is the sum of part of a series

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = \sum_{k=1}^4 k = 10$$

Arithmetic Sequence / Series: What it is (and how to identify it)

An arithmetic sequence's **first difference** (next term - current term) is constant:

$$10 \quad 12 \quad 14 \quad 16 \quad 18 \quad 20 \quad \dots$$

A sequence of numbers: 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, followed by an ellipsis. Blue curved arrows point from each number to the next. Below each arrow is a '+2'.

To test if a sequence is arithmetic, compute first difference. If its constant then sequence is arithmetic.

$$11 \quad 4 \quad -3 \quad -10 \quad -17 \quad \dots$$

A sequence of numbers: 11, 4, -3, -10, -17, followed by an ellipsis. Blue curved arrows point from each number to the next. Below each arrow is a '-7'.

Arithmetic Series / Partial Sum: What do they look like in summation notation?

Example:

$$10 + 12 + 14 + 16 + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^8 (10 + 2k)$$

Handwritten annotations for the series: $10 + 2 \cdot 0$, $10 + 2 \cdot 1$, $10 + 2 \cdot 2$, $10 + 2 \cdot 3$

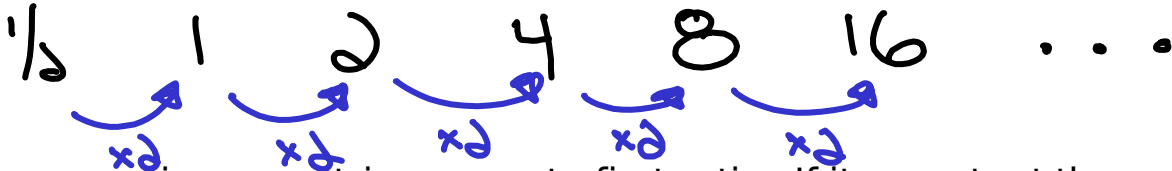
Every arithmetic series can be expressed via the following form:

$$\sum_{k=0}^8 (a_0 + dk)$$

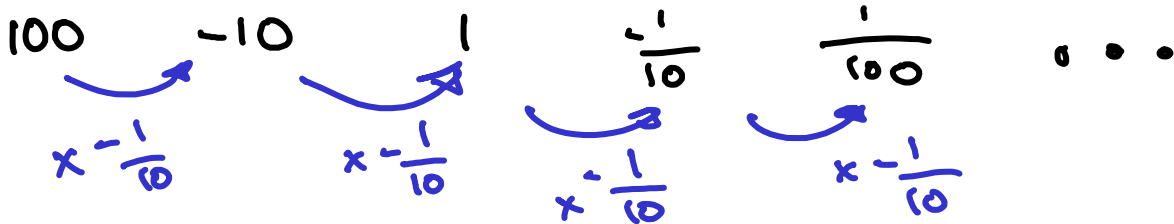
Annotations:
- **STARTING VALUE** (points to a_0)
- **INDEX** (points to k)
- **DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ADJACENT VALUES** (points to d)

Geometric Sequences / Series: What it is (and how to identify it)

An Geometric sequence is one whose first ratio (next term / current term) is constant:



To test if a sequence is geometric, compute first ratio. If its constant then sequence is geometric.



Geometric Series / Partial Sum: What do they look like in summation notation?

Example:

$$\frac{1}{2} + 1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^k$$

(Note: In the original image, green arrows point from the terms $\frac{1}{2}, 1, 2, 4, 8$ to their respective representations in the summation notation: $\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^0, \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^1, \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^2, \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^3, \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^4$.)

Every geometric series can be expressed via the following form:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} Q_0 \cdot r^k$$

(Note: In the original image, orange arrows point from labels to parts of the formula: 'INDEX' points to k , 'RATIO OF NEXT TERM / CURRENT TERM' points to r , and 'STARTING TERM' points to Q_0 .)

Quadratic Series / Partial Sum: What is it? (i.e. what does it look like in sum notation?)

Every quadratic series can be expressed as:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ak^2 + bk + c$$

FIRST TERM

a, b, c ARE CONSTANT
(NOT A EASILY SEEN AS
ARITHMETIC / GEOMETRIC)

Example ($a=1, b=0, c=0$):

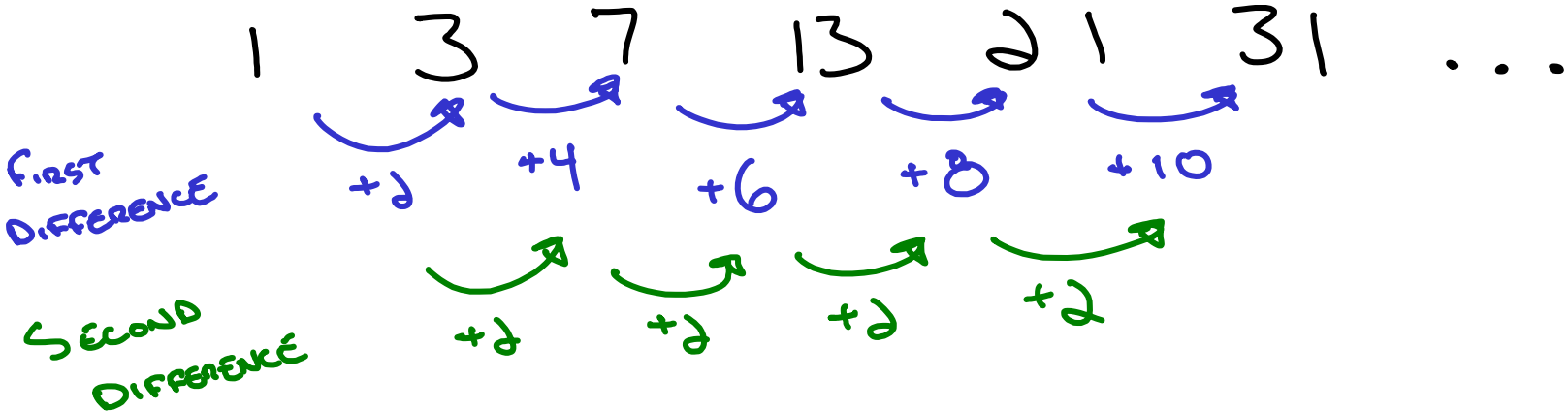
$$0 + 1 + 4 + 9 + 16 + 25 + \dots$$

$1 \cdot 0^2 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0$ $1 \cdot 1^2 + 0 \cdot 1 + 0$ $1 \cdot 2^2 + 0 \cdot 2 + 0$ $1 \cdot 3^2 + 0 \cdot 3 + 0$ $1 \cdot 4^2 + 0 \cdot 4 + 0$ $1 \cdot 5^2 + 0 \cdot 5 + 0$

Question (for later): given the first few values in sequence, how can we get a, b, c ?

Quadratic Sequences / Series: How to identify it

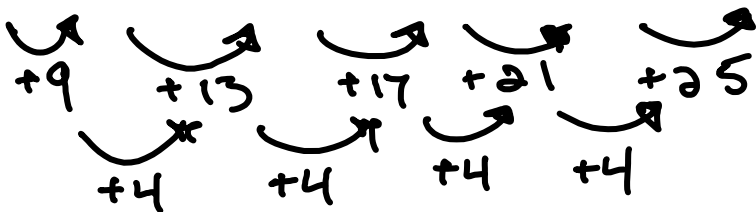
The second difference of a quadratic sequence is constant



In Class Activity:

Identify the type (arithmetic, geometric, quadratic) of each of the following sequences. If sequence is arithmetic or geometric, express its corresponding series in sum notation.

i. 6 15 28 45 66 91



QUADRATIC

ii. $\sqrt{1}$ $\sqrt{4}$ 16 -64 256



GEOMETRIC

iii. $\sqrt{4}$ $\sqrt{9}$ $\sqrt{16}$ 13 16 19



ARITHMETIC

$$1 \cdot (-4)^k$$

$$4 + 3 \cdot k$$

Checking our work with python

(you needn't ever do the same for CS1800 ... but cute to see that you can using python)

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matt@matt-yoga-nu:~$ python3
Python 3.10.12 (main, Jun 11 2023, 05:26:28) [GCC 11.4.0] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> a, b, c = 2, 7, 6
>>> [a * k ** 2 + b * k + c for k in range(10)]
[6, 15, 28, 45, 66, 91, 120, 153, 190, 231] → SAME AS
>>> █                               GIVEN 😊
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If you're interested in doing the same and don't have python on your computer, check out "google colab" which allows you to run python code in the cloud.

In Class Activity

Find the coefficients (a, b, c) which allow us to express the following series in summation notation

$$\begin{array}{c} k=0 \\ 1 + 3 + 7 + 13 + 21 + 31 + 43 + 57 + 73 + 91 + \dots \end{array} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a k^2 + b k + c$$

(Note: In the original image, 'k=2' is written above the term 7, and 'k=1' is written below the term 3.)

$$a \cdot 0^2 + b \cdot 0 + c = 1 \Rightarrow c = 1$$

$$a \cdot 1^2 + b \cdot 1 + c = 3 \Rightarrow a + b + 1 = 3 \Rightarrow a + b = 2$$

$$a \cdot 2^2 + b \cdot 2 + c = 7 \Rightarrow 4a + 2b + 1 = 7 \Rightarrow 2a + b = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow a + a + b = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow a + 2 = 3 \Rightarrow a = 1$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \nearrow 1 + b = 2 \\ b = 1 \end{array}$$

Up next: computing partial sums (arithmetic & geometric ... not quadratic)

ARITHMETIC

$$0 + 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = \sum_{k=0}^4 k = ?$$

↓
NO SIMPLE
FORMULA
EXISTS 😞

GEOMETRIC

$$1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + 16 = \sum_{k=0}^4 2^k = ?$$

Computing Arithmetic Partial Series: motivation via tall tale

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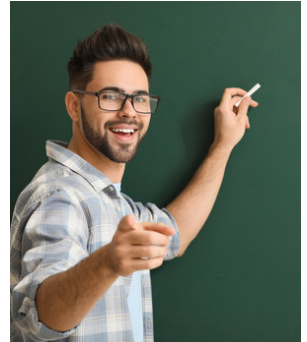


Gauss, you're not paying attention. As punishment go in the hall and add all the integers from 1 to 100

Its 5050

How'd you do that so quickly?

TEACHER



$$0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + 98 + 99 + 100$$

$$2 + 98 = 100$$

$$1 + 99 = 100$$

$$0 + 100 = 100$$

50 sums of 100
+ LEFTOVER 50 = 5050

Computing Arithmetic Sums: A more generalizable expression

SMALL TEST EXAMPLE

$$a_0 + dk$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 = 15$$

AVERAGE TERM

x NUMBER OF TERMS

$$\frac{1+5}{2} = 3$$

x

$$5$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_0 + dk = \left(\frac{a_0 + a_N}{2} \right) \times (N+1)$$

Computing Geometric Series Partial Sums

S is the PARTIAL SUM WE'D LIKE TO COMPUTE

$$S = \sum_{k=0}^N ar^k = a + \cancel{ar} + \cancel{ar^2} + \dots + \cancel{ar^N}$$
$$S \cdot r = \cancel{ar} + \cancel{ar^2} + \dots + \cancel{ar^N} + ar^{N+1}$$

$$S - Sr = a - ar^{N+1}$$

$$\text{so } S(1-r) = a(1-r^{N+1}) \Rightarrow$$

$$S = \frac{a(1-r^{N+1})}{1-r}$$

Computing Geometric Series: Lets work a little example to check if that formula works



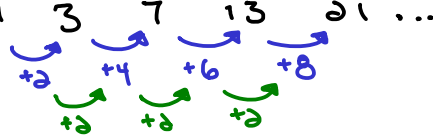
$$1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + 16 = \sum_{k=0}^4 1 \cdot 2^k = 31$$

Annotations for the formula:

- First TERM (points to a_0)
- $N = \text{LARGEST VALUE OF } k \text{ IN SUM}$ (points to $N+1$)
- $r = \text{RATIO}$ (points to r)

$$S = \frac{a_0(1 - r^{N+1})}{1 - r} = \frac{1 \cdot (1 - 2^5)}{1 - 2} = \frac{-31}{-1} = 31$$

In summary (Arithmetic, Geometric & Quadratic Sequences / Series / Partial Sums)

	Arithmetic	Geometric	Quadratic
How to identify?	$2 \quad 4 \quad 6 \quad 8 \quad \dots$  CONSTANT FIRST DIFFERENCE	$1 \quad 2 \quad 4 \quad 8 \quad 16 \quad \dots$  CONSTANT RATIO	$1 \quad 3 \quad 7 \quad 13 \quad 21 \quad \dots$  CONSTANT SECOND DIFFERENCE
Expression of a single term	$a_0 + dK$	$a_0 r^K$	$aK^2 + bK + c$
Computing partial sum	$\sum_{k=0}^N a_0 + dK = \left(\frac{a_0 + a_N}{2} \right) \cdot (N+1)$ <p style="text-align: center;"> ↑ AVERAGE TERM ↑ NUMBER OF TERMS </p>	$\sum_{k=0}^N a_0 r^k = \frac{a_0 (1 - r^{N+1})}{1 - r}$	KIND OF A CALCULUS THING (NOT NEEDED FOR CS1800)

In Class Activity:

Compute each of the following sums (using the partial sums formula) **FIRST** **LAST** **# TERMS**

i. $\sum_{k=0}^{100} 4 - 1k$

ARITHMETIC

$$\left(\frac{4 + 4 - 100}{2} \right) \cdot 101$$

ii. $\sum_{k=0}^{10} 10 \cdot 3^k$

GEOMETRIC

$$\frac{a_0(1-r^{N+1})}{1-r} = \frac{10(1-3^{11})}{1-3}$$

iii. $10 + 7 + 4 + 1 + (-2) + (-5) + (-8)$

$k = 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 6$

ARITHMETIC

$$\sum_{k=0}^6$$

$$10 - 3k =$$

$$\left(\frac{10 + 10 - 3 \cdot 6}{2} \right) \cdot 7$$