

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

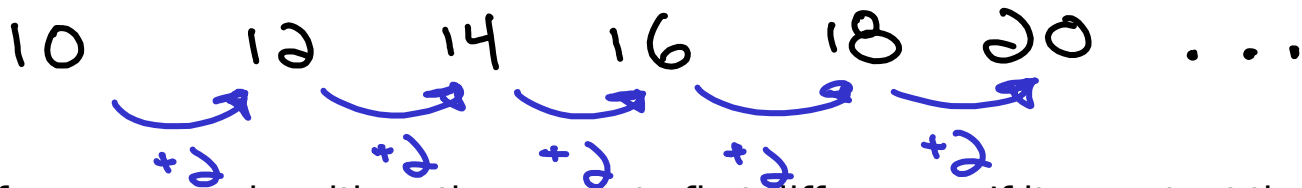
$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k$$

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:



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



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

Example:

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

Diagram illustrating the expansion of the summation notation. The terms 10, 12, 14, and 16 are shown with arrows pointing to their corresponding values in the formula $10 + 2k$ for $k=0, 1, 2, 3$ respectively.

Every arithmetic series can be expressed via the following form:

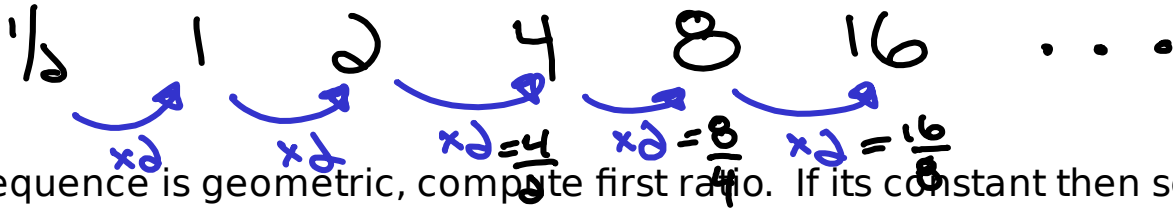
$$\sum_{k=0}^8 (a_0 + dk)$$

Diagram illustrating the general form of an arithmetic series summation notation. The components are labeled:

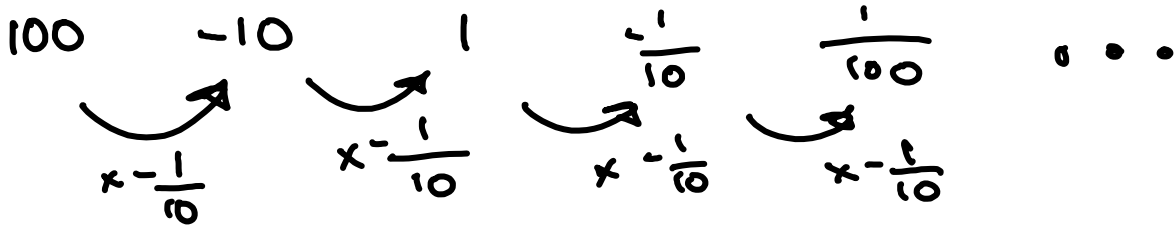
- a_0 : STARTING VALUE
- k : INDEX
- d : DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ADJACENT VALUES

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 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8 to the corresponding terms in the summation notation: 1/2 * 2^0, 1/2 * 2^1, 1/2 * 2^2, 1/2 * 2^3, 1/2 * 2^4.)*

Every geometric series can be expressed via the following form:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_0 \cdot r^k$$

(Note: In the original image, orange arrows point from labels to parts of the formula: 'INDEX' points to the exponent k; 'RATIO OF NEXT TERM / CURRENT TERM' points to the base r; 'STARTING TERM' points to the coefficient a_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 ($a=1, b=0, c=0$):

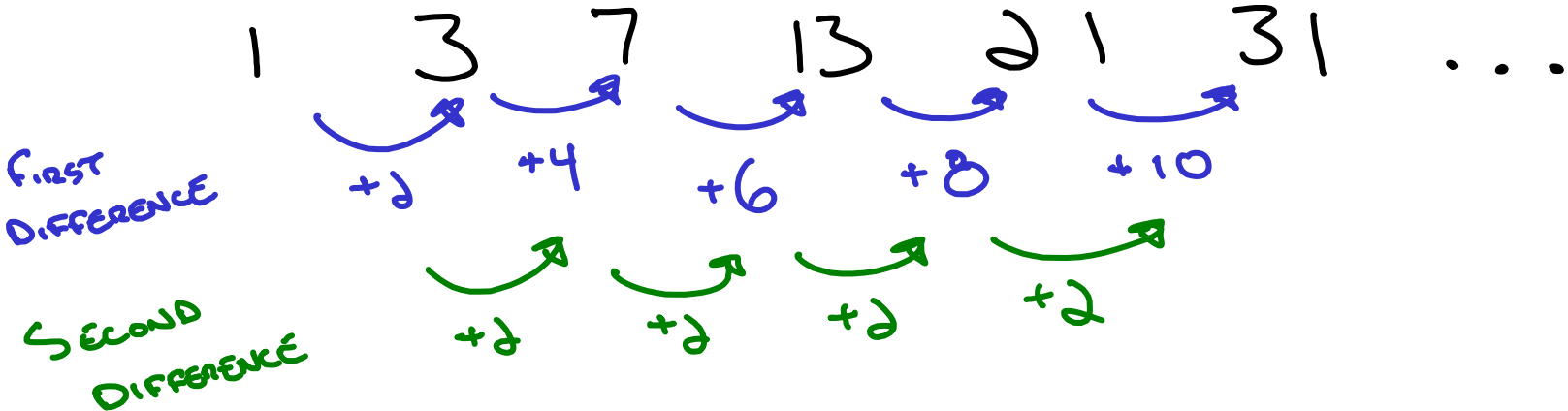
$$0 + 1 + 4 + 9 + 16 + 25 + \dots$$

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

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

6 15 28 45 66 91

+9 +13 +17 +21 +25

+4 +4 +4 +4

ii. 1 -4 16 -64 256 GEOMETRIC

1 -4 16 -64 256

x-4 x-4 x-4 x-4

$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 1 \cdot (-4)^k$

iii. 4 7 10 13 16 19 ARITHMETIC

4 7 10 13 16 19

+3 +3 +3 +3 +3

$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 4 + 3k$

Quadratic Series: Given sequence, how to compute a, b, c in summation notation

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \begin{array}{c} k=0 \\ \downarrow \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} k=2 \\ \downarrow \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} k=4 \\ \downarrow \end{array} & & \\ 6 + 15 + 28 + 45 + 66 + 91 + \dots & = & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} & \text{ak}^2 + \text{bk} + \text{c} & & & \text{First Term} \\ \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ k=1 \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ k=3 \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ k=5 \end{array} & & \end{array}$$

$$6 = a \cdot 0^2 + b \cdot 0 + c \Rightarrow c = 6 \quad \rightarrow \quad 9 = 2 + b \quad b = 7$$

$$15 = a \cdot 1^2 + b \cdot 1 + c \Rightarrow 9 = a + b$$

$$28 = a \cdot 2^2 + b \cdot 2 + c \Rightarrow 22 = 4a + 2b \Rightarrow 11 = 2a + b$$

$$\Rightarrow 11 = a + a + b$$

$$\Rightarrow 11 = a + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2$$

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 (ITS QUADRATIC)

$$1 + 3 + 7 + 13 + 21 + 31 + 43 + 57 + 73 + 91 + \dots$$

\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow
 $k=0$ $k=1$ $k=2$

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

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

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

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a k^2 + b k + c$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 6 = 4a + 2b$$
$$\Rightarrow 3 = 2a + b = a + a + b$$

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

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

ARITHMETIC

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

GEOMETRIC

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

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NO SIMPLE
FORMULA
EXISTS 😞

Computing Arithmetic Partial Series: motivation via tall tale

PRIMARY
SCHOOL
GAUSS

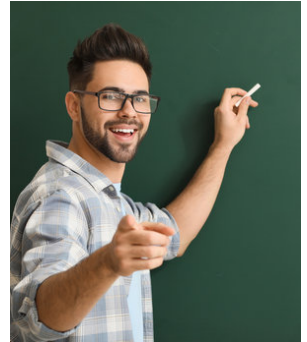


Gauss, you're not paying attention. As punishment go in the hall and add all the integers from 1 to 100

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

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

AVERAGE TERM \times NUMBER OF TERMS

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

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

Computing Geometric Series Partial Sums

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

S is the
PARTIAL SUM
WE'D LIKE TO
COMPUTE

$$S \cdot r = ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^N + ar^{N+1}$$

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

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

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

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

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

$1 \cdot 2^0$ (red) points to the first term '1' in the sum.

$k=4$ (blue) points to the upper limit '4' in the sum.

$1 \cdot 2^4$ (blue) points to the term '16' in the sum.

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



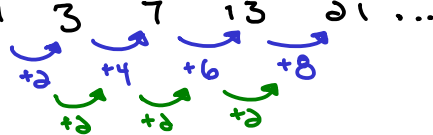
$1 \cdot 2^0$ (red) points to the first term '1' in the formula.

First TERM (green) points to a_0 .

$r = \text{RATIO}$ (green) points to r .

$N = \text{LARGEST VALUE OF } k \text{ IN SUM}$ (green) points to $N+1$.

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)

- i. $\sum_{k=0}^{100} 4 - 1k$ ARITHMETIC
 (TERM HAS FORM:
 $a + dk$) $\left(\frac{\text{FIRST TERM} + \text{LAST TERM}}{2} \right) \cdot \text{\# OF TERMS}$
 $\left(\frac{4 + 4 - 1 \cdot 100}{2} \right) \cdot 101$
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- ii. $\sum_{k=0}^{10} 10 \cdot 3^k$ GEOMETRIC
 (FORM $a \cdot r^k$) $\frac{a_0(1-r^{N+1})}{1-r} = \frac{10(1-3^{11})}{1-3}$
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- iii. $10 + 7 + 4 + 1 + (-2) + (-5) + (-8)$
 $k \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 6$
 $\sum_{k=0}^6 10 - 3d = \left(\frac{10 + (10 - 3 \cdot 6)}{2} \right) \cdot 7$ ARITHMETIC