

## Important Questions for Class 11 Maths Chapter 8 - Sequences and Series

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### Question 1:

The sums of  $n$  terms of two arithmetic progressions are in the ratio  $5n+4: 9n+6$ . Find the ratio of their 18<sup>th</sup> terms.

### Solution:

Let  $a_1, a_2$  and  $d_1, d_2$  be the first term and the common difference of the first and second arithmetic progression respectively.

Then,

$$(\text{Sum of } n \text{ terms of the first A.P})/(\text{Sum of } n \text{ terms of the second A.P}) = (5n+4)/(9n+6)$$

$$\Rightarrow [(n/2)[2a_1 + (n-1)d_1]] / [(n/2)[2a_2 + (n-1)d_2]] = (5n+4)/(9n+6)$$

Cancel out  $(n/2)$  both numerator and denominator on L.H.S

$$\Rightarrow [2a_1 + (n-1)d_1] / [2a_2 + (n-1)d_2] = (5n+4)/(9n+6) \dots(1)$$

Now substitute  $n = 35$  in equation (1), {Since  $(n-1)/2 = 17$ }

Then equation (1) becomes

$$\Rightarrow [2a_1 + 34d_1] / [2a_2 + 34d_2] = (5(35)+4)/(9(35)+6)$$

$$\Rightarrow [a_1 + 17d_1] / [a_2 + 17d_2] = 179/321 \dots(2)$$

Now, we can say that.

$$18\text{th term of first AP} / 18\text{th term of second AP} = [a_1 + 17d_1] / [a_2 + 17d_2] \dots(3)$$

Now, from (2) and (3), we can say that,

$$18\text{th term of first AP} / 18\text{th term of second AP} = 179/321$$

Hence, the ratio of the 18th terms of both the AP's is 179:321.

### Question 2:

Insert five numbers between 8 and 26 such that resulting sequence is an A.P.

### Solution:

Assume that  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4,$  and  $A_5$  are the five numbers between 8 and 26, such that the sequence of an A.P becomes 8,  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, 26$

Here,  $a= 8, l =26, n= 5$

Therefore,  $26= 8+(7-1)d$

Hence it becomes,

$$26 = 8+6d$$

$$6d = 26-8 = 18$$

$$6d= 18$$

$$d = 3$$

$$A_1= a+d = 8+ 3 =11$$

$$A_2= a+2d = 8+ 2(3) =8+6 = 14$$

$$A_3= a+3d = 8+ 3(3) =8+9 = 17$$

$$A_4= a+4d = 8+ 4(3) =8+12 = 20$$

$$A_5= a+5d = 8+ 5(3) =8+15 = 23$$

Hence, the required five numbers between the number 8 and 26 are 11, 14, 17, 20, 23.

### Question 3:

The 5th, 8th, and 11th terms of a GP are p, q and s respectively. Prove that  $q^2 = ps$

### Solution:

Given that:

$$5\text{th term} = P$$

$$8\text{th term} = q$$

$$11\text{th term} = s$$

To prove that:  $q^2 = ps$

By using the above information, we can write the equation as:

$$a_5 = ar^{5-1} = ar^4 = p \dots(1)$$

$$a_8 = ar^{8-1} = ar^7 = q \dots(2)$$

$$a_{11} = ar^{11-1} = ar^{10} =s \dots(3)$$

Divide the equation (2) by (1), we get

$$r^3 = q/p \dots(4)$$

Divide the equation (3) by (2), we get

$$r^3 = s/q \dots(5)$$

Now, equate the equation (4) and (5), we get

$$q/p = s/q$$

It becomes,  $q^2 = ps$

Hence proved.

#### **Question 4:**

Show that the sum of  $(m + n)^{\text{th}}$  and  $(m - n)^{\text{th}}$  terms of an A.P. is equal to twice the  $m^{\text{th}}$  term.

#### **Solution:**

Let  $a$  and  $d$  be the first term and the common difference of the A.P. respectively. It is known

that the  $k^{\text{th}}$  term of an A.P. is given by

$$a_k = a + (k - 1)d$$

Therefore,  $a_{m+n} = a + (m+n - 1)d$

$$a_{m-n} = a + (m-n - 1)d$$

$$a_m = a + (m-1)d$$

Hence, the sum of  $(m + n)^{\text{th}}$  and  $(m - n)^{\text{th}}$  terms of an A.P is written as:

$$a_{m+n} + a_{m-n} = a + (m+n - 1)d + a + (m-n - 1)d$$

$$= 2a + (m + n - 1 + m - n - 1)d$$

$$= 2a + (2m - 2)d$$

$$= 2a + 2(m-1)d$$

$$= 2 [a + (m-1)d]$$

$$= 2 a_m \text{ [since } a_m = a + (m-1)d]$$

Therefore, the sum of  $(m + n)^{\text{th}}$  and  $(m - n)^{\text{th}}$  terms of an A.P. is equal to twice the  $m^{\text{th}}$  term.

**Question 5:**

Find the sum of integers from 1 to 100 that are divisible by 2 or 5.

**Solution:**

The integers from 1 to 100, which are divisible by 2, are 2, 4, 6 ..... 100.

This forms an A.P. with both the first term and common difference equal to 2.

$$\Rightarrow 100 = 2 + (n-1)2$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 50$$

Therefore, the sum of integers from 1 to 100 that are divisible by 2 is given as:

$$2+4+6+\dots+100 = (50/2)[2(2)+(50-1)(2)]$$

$$= (50/2)(4+98)$$

$$= 25(102)$$

$$= 2550$$

The integers from 1 to 100, which are divisible by 5, 10.... 100

This forms an A.P. with both the first term and common difference equal to 5.

$$\text{Therefore, } 100 = 5 + (n-1)5$$

$$\Rightarrow 5n = 100$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 100/5$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 20$$

Therefore, the sum of integers from 1 to 100 that are divisible by 2 is given as:

$$5+10+15+\dots+100 = (20/2)[2(5)+(20-1)(5)]$$

$$= (20/2)(10+95)$$

$$= 10(105)$$

$$= 1050$$

Hence, the integers from 1 to 100, which are divisible by both 2 and 5 are 10, 20, ..... 100.

This also forms an A.P. with both the first term and common difference equal to 10.

Therefore,  $100 = 10 + (n-1)10$

$$\Rightarrow 10n = 100$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 100/10$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 10$$

$$10+20+\dots+100 = (10/2)[2(10)+(10-1)(10)]$$

$$= (10/2)(20+90)$$

$$= 5(110)$$

$$= 550$$

Therefore, the required sum is:

$$= 2550 + 1050 - 550$$

$$= 3050$$

Hence, the sum of the integers from 1 to 100, which are divisible by 2 or 5 is 3050.