

## 5.1 Arithmetic & Geometric Sequences

Vocab sequence:  $\{a_n\}$  an ordered list of numbers that form a pattern; it's also a function w/ domain =  $\mathbb{N}$

### Arithmetic Sequence

$a_n = a_{n-1} + d$ , given  $a_1$   
 $n=2,3,\dots$   $d \neq 0$   
(we add same # over & over to get next terms)

### Geometric Sequence

$a_n = d a_{n-1}$   $d \neq 0$   
 $n=2,3,\dots$   
given  $a_1$   
(we multiply same # over & over to get to next terms in the sequence)

\* These formulas are recursive (they depend on previous terms)

$a_1$  given  
 $a_2 = a_1 + d$   
 $a_3 = a_2 + d = a_1 + d + d = a_1 + 2d$   
 $a_4 = a_3 + d = a_1 + 2d + d = a_1 + 3d$   
 $a_5 = a_4 + d = a_1 + 3d + d = a_1 + 4d$   
 $\vdots$   
 $a_n = a_{n-1} + d = a_1 + (n-1)d$

$a_1$  given  
 $a_2 = d a_1$   
 $a_3 = d a_2 = d(d a_1) = d^2 a_1$   
 $a_4 = d a_3 = d(d^2 a_1) = d^3 a_1$   
 $a_5 = d a_4 = d(d^3 a_1) = d^4 a_1$   
 $\vdots$   
 $a_n = d^{n-1} a_1$

\* These formulas are iterative (or direct or explicit) (they don't depend on previous terms)

## 5.1 (cont)

Ex 1 Classify as arithmetic or geometric and give next 3 terms of sequence.

(a)  $10, 7, 4, 1, \dots$

(b)  $2, -6, 18, -54, \dots$

Ex 2 Find formula for  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of (a) arithmetic and (b) geometric sequence

(a)  $a_1 = 2, d = -3$

(b)  $a_1 = -10, d = 2$

5.1 (cont)

Ex 3 Given  $a_1 = 2$  and  $a_8 = 23$ , find the 50<sup>th</sup> term of this arithmetic sequence.

Ex 4 Given  $a_1 = \frac{3}{2}$  and  $a_6 = \frac{3}{64}$ , find the 20<sup>th</sup> term of the geometric sequence.

## 5.1 (cont)

Arithmetic Sequence Sum

$$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n = ?$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 + a_n &= a_1 + (a_1 + (n-1)d) \\ &= 2a_1 + (n-1)d \end{aligned}$$

$$a_2 + a_{n-1} = 2a_1 + (n-1)d = a_1 + a_n$$

$$a_3 + a_{n-2} = 2a_1 + (n-1)d = a_1 + a_n$$

⋮

have  $\frac{n}{2}$  groups of this

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_n)}$$

Geometric Sequence Sum

$$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n = ?$$

$$S_n = a_1 + da_1 + d^2a_1 + \dots + d^{n-1}a_1$$

$$-dS_n = -da_1 - d^2a_1 - d^3a_1 - \dots - d^{n-1}a_1 - d^na_1$$

$$S_n - dS_n = a_1 - d^na_1$$

$$S_n(1-d) = a_1(1-d^n)$$

$$\boxed{S_n = \frac{a_1(1-d^n)}{1-d}}$$

Ex 5 (a) Find sum of first 100 terms of sequence  
1, 10, 19, 28, ...

(b) Find sum of first ten terms of sequence  
3, 6, 12, 24, ...

## 5.2 Simple & Compound Interest

Simple Interest	Compound Interest
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• add same interest to acct every period</li> <li>• it's an arithmetic sequence and acct balance is the sum</li> </ul> <p><math>P</math> = principal = start value  <math>Pr</math> = principal times interest rate = interest that gets added every period. (year)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• multiply by same rate every period</li> <li>• it's a geometric sequence and acct balance is the sum</li> </ul> <p><math>P</math> = principal = start value  <math>(1+r)</math> = factor that's multiplied by principal every year</p>
<p><math>\Rightarrow S = P + Pr(t)</math></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;"> <math display="block">S = P(1+rt)</math> </div> <p><math>P</math> = principal, <math>r</math> = int. rate,  <math>t</math> = # yrs, <math>S</math> = future acct value</p>	<p><math>\Rightarrow S = P(1+r)^t</math>          (assuming we compound once per year)</p> <p>if we compound <math>n</math> times per year,</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;"> <math display="block">S = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}</math> </div> <p><math>n</math> = # compounding per year</p>

\* see table pgs 271-272

$\Rightarrow$

Continuous Compounding

$$S = Pe^{rt}$$

## 5.2 (cont)

Ex 1 If \$10,000 is invested for 4 years at an annual rate of 8% (simple), how much will the acct be worth at the end of 4 years? Re-compute for compounded interest (compounded once per year).

Ex 2 You borrow \$2000 at an interest rate of 20%. How much interest is due in 39 weeks?

## 5.2 (cont)

Ex 3 If \$1000 is invested at 5%

(a) simple interest

(b) compounded interest

(c) "

w/  $n=1$

w/  $n=12$ ,

how long does it take to double?

Ex 4 What is an account worth in 8 years, if we started with \$3000 + we got continuous compounding at a rate of 6%?

## 5.2 (cont)

Ex 5 What amt must be invested now in order to have \$1,000,000 for retirement in 45 years if money is compounded quarterly at 9%?

### APY (Annual Percentage Yield)

Let  $P = \$100$  be invested at 8% interest compounded

(a) quarterly or (b) monthly.

$$(a) \quad S = 100 \left(1 + \frac{0.08}{4}\right)^{4(1)} = 100(1.02)^4 = \$108.24 \quad \text{after 1 yr}$$

$$(b) \quad S = 100 \left(1 + \frac{0.08}{12}\right)^{12(1)} = \$108.30 \quad \text{after 1 yr}$$

⇒ So investing at 8% compounded quarterly is basically equivalent to investing the same money at 8.24% simple interest.

That's the APY



## 5.2 (cont)

$$APY = \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^n - 1$$

(periodic compounding)

$$APY = e^r - 1$$

(continuous compounding)

Ex 6 Which is a better investment deal?

- (a) 10% compounded annually
- (b) 9.8% " quarterly
- (c) 9.65% " continuously