

Arithmetic Sequences

Algorithm

1. Use the function (rule) to determine relationship between terms
 2. Remember $f(n - 1)$ - term before the n th term
 $f(n)$ - is the n th term of the sequence
 $f(n + 1)$ - term after the n th term
 3. Use the common difference to determine the equation recursively.
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1. If $a(1) = 7$ and $a(n + 1) = a(n) + 3$, find the first three terms of the sequence
2. if $a(1) = 6$ and $a(n + 1) = a(n) - 2$, find the first three terms of the sequence.
3. If $a(1) = 6$ and $a(n - 1) = a(n) + 5$, find the first three terms of the sequence.
4. If Sue runs 15 minutes per day the first week of her training program and increases it by 5 minutes each week. Write a function that represents the number of minutes she is running in week n in terms of the week before.