

ASSIGNMENT: Arithmetic Series**DIRECTIONS: Use the formulas below and have fun!**

$$u_n = u_1 + (n - 1)d \quad S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2u_1 + (n - 1)d) = \frac{n}{2}(u_1 + u_n)$$

1. [Maximum mark: 7]

In an arithmetic sequence $u_{21} = -37$ and $u_4 = -3$.

[3 marks]

(a) Find

(i) the common difference;

(ii) the first term.

(b) Find S_{10} .

2.) [3 marks]

In an arithmetic sequence the second term is 7 and the sum of the first five terms is 50
Find the common difference of this arithmetic sequence.

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3.) [Maximum mark: 6]

Let $u_n = 3 - 2n$.

(a) Write down the value of u_1 , u_2 , and u_3 . [3 marks]

(b) Find $\sum_{n=1}^{20} (3 - 2n)$. [3 marks]

4.)

In an arithmetic series, the first term is -7 and the sum of the first 20 terms is 620.

(a) Find the common difference. [3]

(b) Find the value of the 78th term. [2]

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Answer key: you must show steps and calculations to receive full marks.

1.) ai: $d = -2$
 a_{ii}: $U_1 = 3$

b: $S_{10} = -60$

2.) $d = 3$

3.) a: $u_1 = 1; u_2 = -1; u_3 = -3$

b: $\sum_{n=1}^{20} -360$

4.) a: $d = 4$

b: $u_{78} = 301$