

**RD SHARMA**  
**Solutions**  
**Class 10 Maths**  
**Chapter 9**  
**Ex 9.3**

1. Find:

- (i) 10<sup>th</sup> term of the AP 1, 4, 7, 10, ...
- (ii) 18<sup>th</sup> term of the AP  $\sqrt{2}, 3\sqrt{2}, 5\sqrt{2}, \dots$
- (iii) nth term of the AP 13, 8, 3, -2, ...
- (iv) 10<sup>th</sup> term of the AP -40, -15, 10, 35, ...
- (v) 8<sup>th</sup> term of the AP 11, 104, 91, 78, ...
- (vi) 11<sup>th</sup> term of the AP 10.0, 10.5, 11.0, 11.2, ...
- (vii) 9<sup>th</sup> term of the AP  $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4}, \dots$

**Sol:**

(i) Given  $A.p$  is

1, 4, 7, 10, .....

First term ( $a$ ) = 1

Common difference ( $d$ ) = second term - first term

$$= 4 - 1$$

$$= 3.$$

$n^{\text{th}}$  term in an  $A.p = a + (n-1)d$

10<sup>th</sup> term in an  $1 + (10-1)3$

$$= 1 + 9 \cdot 3$$

$$= 1 + 27$$

$$= 28$$

(ii) Given  $A.p$  is

$\sqrt{2}, 3\sqrt{2}, 5\sqrt{2}, \dots$

First term ( $a$ ) =  $\sqrt{2}$

Common difference = Second term - First term

$$= 3\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$d = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$n^{\text{th}}$  term in an  $A.p = a + (n-1)d$

18<sup>th</sup> term of  $A.p = \sqrt{2} + (18-1)2\sqrt{2}$

$$= \sqrt{2} + 17 \cdot 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2}(1 + 34)$$

$$= 35\sqrt{2}$$

$\therefore$  18<sup>th</sup> term of  $A.p$  is  $35\sqrt{2}$

(iii) Given  $A.p$  is

13, 8, 3, -2, .....

First term ( $a$ ) = 13

Common difference ( $d$ ) = Second term - first term

$$= 8 - 13$$

$$= -5$$

$n^{\text{th}}$  term of an  $A.p$   $a_n = a + (n-1)d$

$$= 13 + (n-1)(-5)$$

$$= 13 - 5n + 5$$

$$a_n = 18 - 5n$$

(iv) Given  $A.p$  is

$$-40, -15, 10, 35, \dots$$

$$\text{First term } (a) = -40$$

$$\text{Common difference } (d) = \text{Second term} - \text{first term}$$

$$= -15 - (-40)$$

$$= 40 - 15$$

$$= 25$$

$$n^{\text{th}} \text{ term of an } A.p \ a_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$10^{\text{th}} \text{ term of } A.p \ a_{10} = -40 + (10-1)25$$

$$= -40 + 9 \cdot 25$$

$$= -40 + 225$$

$$= 185$$

(v) Given sequence is

$$117, 104, 91, 78, \dots$$

$$\text{First term } a = 117$$

$$\text{Common difference } (d) = \text{Second term} - \text{first term}$$

$$= 104 - 117$$

$$= -13$$

$$n^{\text{th}} \text{ term } a_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$8^{\text{th}} \text{ term } a_8 = a + (8-1)d$$

$$= 117 + 7(-13)$$

$$= 117 - 91$$

$$= 26$$

(vi) Given  $A.p$  is

10.0, 10.5, 11.0, 11.5, .....

First term ( $a$ ) = 10.0

Common difference ( $d$ ) = Second term – first term

$$= 10.5 - 10.0$$

$$= 0.5$$

$n^{\text{th}}$  term  $a_n = a + (n - 1)d$

11<sup>th</sup> term  $a_{11} = 10.0 + (11 - 1)0.5$

$$= 10.0 + 10 \times 0.5$$

$$= 10.0 + 5$$

$$= 15.0$$

(vii) Given A.P is

$$\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4}, \dots$$

$$\text{First term } (a) = \frac{3}{4}$$

Common difference ( $d$ ) = Second term – first term

$$= \frac{5}{4} - \frac{3}{4}$$

$$= \frac{2}{4}$$

$$n^{\text{th}} \text{ term } a_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$9^{\text{th}} \text{ term } a_9 = a + (9-1)d$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} + 8 \cdot \frac{2}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} + \frac{16}{4}$$

$$= \frac{19}{4}$$

2. (i) Which term of the AP 3, 8, 13, .... is 248?  
(ii) Which term of the AP 84, 80, 76, ... is 0?  
(iii) Which term of the AP 4, 9, 14, .... is 254?  
(iv) Which term of the AP 21, 42, 63, 84, ... is 420?  
(v) Which term of the AP 121, 117, 113, ... is its first negative term?

**Sol:**

(i) Given  $A.p$  is 3,8,13,.....

$$\text{First term } (a) = 3$$

$$\text{Common difference } (d) = \text{Second term} - \text{first term}$$

$$= 8 - 3$$

$$= 5$$

$$n^{\text{th}} \text{ term } (a_n) = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\text{Given } n^{\text{th}} \text{ term } a_n = 248$$

$$248 = 3 + (n-1).5$$

$$248 = -2 + 5n$$

$$5n = 250$$

$$n = \frac{250}{5} = 50$$

50<sup>th</sup> term is 248.

(ii) Given *A.p* is 84, 80, 76, .....

First term (*a*) = 84

Common difference (*d*) =  $a_2 - a_1$

$$= 80 - 84$$

$$= -4$$

*n*<sup>th</sup> term ( $a_n$ ) =  $a + (n-1)d$

Given *n*<sup>th</sup> term is 0

$$0 = 84 + (n-1)(-4)$$

$$+84 = +4(n-1)$$

$$n-1 = \frac{84}{4} = 21$$

$$n = 21 + 1 = 22$$

22<sup>nd</sup> term is 0.

(iii) Given *A.p* 4, 9, 14, .....

First term (*a*) = 4

Common difference (*d*) =  $a_2 - a_1$

$$= 9 - 4$$

$$= 5$$

*n*<sup>th</sup> term ( $a_n$ ) =  $a + (n-1)d$

Given *n*<sup>th</sup> term is 254



$$4 + (n-1)5 = 254$$

$$(n-1) \cdot 5 = 250$$

$$n-1 = \frac{250}{5} = 50$$

$$n = 51$$

$\therefore$  51<sup>st</sup> term is 254.

(iv) Given *AP*

21, 42, 63, 84, .....

$$a = 21, d = a_2 - a$$

$$= 42 - 21$$

$$= 21$$

$$n^{\text{th}} \text{ term } (a_n) = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\text{Given } n^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = 420$$

$$21 + (n-1)21 = 420$$

$$(n-1)21 = 399$$

$$n-1 = \frac{399}{21} = 19$$

$$n = 20$$

$\therefore 20^{\text{th}}$  term is 420.

(v) Given  $A.P$  is 121, 117, 113, .....

$$\text{First term } (a) = 121$$

$$\text{Common difference } (d) = 117 - 121$$

$$= -4$$

$$n^{\text{th}} \text{ term } (a) = a + (n-1)d$$

Given  $n^{\text{th}}$  term is negative i.e.,  $a_n < 0$

$$121 + (n-1)(-4) < 0$$

$$121 - 4 + 4n < 0$$

$$117 - 4n < 0$$

$$4n > 117$$

$$n > \frac{117}{4}$$

$$n > 29.25$$

The integer which comes after 29.25 is 30.

$\therefore 30^{\text{th}}$  term is first negative term