

(72) 等差級數

如果 $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ 是一個等差級數，則

$$a_1 = a_1$$

$$a_2 = a_1 + d$$

$$a_3 = a_2 + d = a_1 + 2d$$

$\vdots$

$$a_n = a_1 + (n - 1)d$$

a_1 是首項， d 是公差。

例

$a_1 = 1, d = 1$ ，則 $1, 2, 3, \dots, 100$ 是一個等差級數

$a_1 = 0, d = -2$ ，則 $0, -2, -4, \dots, -100$ 是一個等差級數

$a_1 = 4, d = -1$ ，則 $3, 2, 1, 0, -1, -2, \dots, -100$ 是一個等差級數

$a_1 = 1, d = \frac{1}{2}$ ，則 $1, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{4}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{6}{2}, \dots, \frac{100}{2}$ 是一個等差級數

1. $a_1 = 2, a_{10} = 20$ ，求 d

$$a_{10} = a_1 + (10 - 1)d$$

$$20 = 2 + 9d$$

$$9d = 18$$

$$d = 2$$

2. $a_4 = 5, a_6 = 1$ ，求 d

$$a_6 = a_4 + (6 - 4)d$$

$$1 = 5 + 2d$$

$$-4 = 2d$$

$$d = -2$$

3. $a_5 = -6, d = -2$ ，求 a_1

$$a_5 = a_1 + (5 - 1)d$$

$$-6 = a_1 + 4(-2)$$

$$-6 = a_1 - 8$$

$$a_1 = -6 + 8$$

$$a_1 = 2$$

4. $a_5 = 3, d = 2$, 求 a_7
 $a_7 = a_5 + (7 - 5)d$
 $a_7 = 3 + 2(2)$
 $a_7 = 7$
5. $a_1 = -4, d = 2, a_n = 4$, 求 n
 $a_n = a_1 + (n - 1)d$
 $4 = -4 + 2(n - 1)$
 $2n - 2 - 4 = 4$
 $2n = 4 + 6 = 10$
 $n = 5$
6. $a_5 = 2, d = 3, a_n = 11$, 求 n
 $a_n = a_5 + (n - 5)d$
 $11 = 2 + 3(n - 5)$
 $11 = 2 + 3n - 15$
 $11 = 3n - 13$
 $3n = 24$
 $n = 8$
7. 試證 $a_i + a_{i+2} = 2a_{i+1}$
 $a_i = a_1 + (i - 1)d$
 $a_{i+2} = a_1 + (i + 2 - 1)d = a_1 + (i + 1)d$
 $a_i + a_{i+2} = a_1 + (i - 1)d + a_1 + (i + 1)d$
 $= 2a_1 + (i - 1 + i + 1)d$
 $= 2a_1 + 2id$
 $= 2(a_1 + id)$
 $= 2a_{i+1}$
8. $x^2, x, 1$ 為一等差級數 , 求 x
 根據 $a_i + a_{i+2} = 2a_{i+1}$
 故 $x^2 + 1 = 2x$
 $x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$
 $(x - 1)^2 = 0$
 $x = 1$
 此題的等差級數為 $1, 1, 1$, 此時 $d = 0$

9. $x^2, 2x, 3$ 為一等差級數，求 x

$$x^2 + 3 = 2(2x)$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$$

$$(x-1)(x-3)=0$$

$$x = 1$$

$$x = 3$$

若 $x = 3$ ，此等差級數為 $9, 6, 3$ ，此時 $d = -3$

若 $x = 1$ ，此等差級數為 $1, 2, 3$ ，此時 $d = 1$

10. $\sqrt{x}, 0, -1$ 為一等差級數，求 x

$$\sqrt{x} + (-1) = 0$$

$$\sqrt{x} = 1$$

$$x = 1$$

此等差級數為 $1, 0, -1$ ，此時 $d = -1$

11. $x^2, 2x, -32$ 為一等差級數，求 x

$$x^2 - 32 = 2(2x)$$

$$x^2 - 4x - 32 = 0$$

$$(x+4)(x-8) = 0$$

$$x = -4$$

$$x = 8$$

若 $x = -4$ ，此等差級數為 $16, -8, -32$ ，此時 $d = -24$

若 $x = 8$ ，此等差級數為 $64, 16, -32$ ，此時 $d = -48$

12. 試證 $a_i - a_j = (i - j)d$

$$a_i = a_1 + (i - 1)d$$

$$a_j = a_1 + (j - 1)d$$

$$a_i - a_j = (i - 1 - j + 1)d = (i - j)d$$

13. 已知 $a_3 = 10$, $a_6 = 19$ ，求 d

$$a_6 - a_3 = 19 - 10 = 9$$

$$9 = (6 - 3)d$$

$$9 = 3d$$

$$d = 3$$

14. 已知 $a_3 = 10$, $a_n = 2$, $d = -1$, 求 n

$$a_n = a_3 + (n - 3)d$$

$$= 10 + (n - 3)(-1)$$

$$= 10 - n + 3$$

$$= 13 - n$$

$$2 = 13 - n$$

$$n = 11$$

15. 試證 $a_i + a_j = a_{i+1} + a_{j-1}$

$$a_i = a_1 + (i - 1)d$$

$$a_j = a_1 + (j - 1)d$$

$$a_{i+1} = a_1 + (i + 1 - 1)d = a_1 + id$$

$$a_{j-1} = a_1 + (j - 1 - 1)d = a_1 + (j - 2)d$$

$$\therefore a_i + a_j = (a_1 + (i - 1)d) + (a_1 + (j - 1)d) = 2a_1 + (i + j - 2)d$$

$$a_{i+1} + a_{j-1} = a_1 + id + (a_1 + (j - 2)d) = 2a_1 + (i + j - 2)d$$

$$\therefore a_i + a_j = a_{i+1} + a_{j-1}$$

$a_i + a_j = a_{i+1} + a_{j-1}$ 可以用以下的圖表示

$$a_i, a_{i+1}, \cdots, a_{j-1}, a_j$$

請看以下的等差級數

a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4	a_5	a_6
1	3	5	7	9	11

$$a_1 + a_6 = 1 + 11 = 12$$

$$a_2 + a_5 = 3 + 9 = 12$$

$$a_3 + a_4 = 5 + 7 = 12$$

$$\text{令 } S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n$$

求 S_n 可以用以下的方法

$$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n$$

$$S_n = a_n + a_{n-1} + \cdots + a_1$$

$$\therefore 2S_n = (a_1 + a_n) + (a_2 + a_{n-1}) + \cdots + (a_n + a_1)$$

$$\text{但}(a_1 + a_n) = (a_2 + a_{n-1}) = \cdots \cdots = (a_n + a_1)$$

$$\therefore 2S_n = n(a_1 + a_n)$$

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

16. $a_1 = 3, d = 3$, 求 S_7

$$a_7 = a_1 + (7 - 1)d = 3 + 6 \times 3 = 21$$

$$S_7 = \frac{7}{2}(a_1 + a_7) = \frac{7}{2}(3 + 21) = 84$$

$$\text{驗證: } S_7 = 3 + 6 + 9 + 12 + 15 + 18 + 21 = 84$$

17. 已知 $S_6 = 42, a_1 = 2$, 求 d

$$S_6 = \frac{6}{2}(2 + a_6) = 42$$

$$3(2 + a_6) = 42$$

$$2 + a_6 = 14$$

$$a_6 = 12$$

$$a_6 = a_1 + (6 - 1)d$$

$$12 = 2 + 5d$$

$$10 = 5d$$

$$d = 2$$

18. 已知 $S_6 = 12, a_6 = 7$, 求 a_1

$$S_6 = \frac{6}{2}(a_1 + 7) = 12$$

$$3(a_1 + 7) = 12$$

$$a_1 + 7 = 4$$

$$a_1 = -3$$

19. 承上題 , 求 d

$$a_6 = a_1 + (6 - 1)d$$

$$7 = -3 + 5d$$

$$10 = 5d$$

$$d = 2$$

求 S_n 還有一個公式

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

$$\because a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$

$$\therefore S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

$$= \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

20. 已知 $a_1 = -2$, $d = -3$, $n = 6$, 求 S_n

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

$$= \frac{6}{2}(2(-2) + (6-1)(-3))$$

$$= 3(-4 - 15)$$

$$= 3(-19)$$

$$= -57$$

$$\text{驗證 } a_6 = a_1 + (n-1)d = -2 + 5(-3) = -17$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_n) = \frac{6}{2}(-2 + (-17)) = 3(-19) = -57$$

利用 $S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d)$ ，我們可以導出以下的公式

$$2S_n = n(2a_1 + (n-1)d) = 2na_1 + n(n-1)d$$

$$\therefore 2na_1 = 2S_n - n(n-1)d$$

$$a_1 = \frac{2S_n - n(n-1)d}{2n}$$

21. 承上題， $S_n = -57$, $d = -3$, $n = 6$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore a_1 &= \frac{2S_n - n(n-1)d}{2n} \\&= \frac{2(-57) - 6(6-1)(-3)}{2 \times 6} \\&= \frac{-114 - (-90)}{12} \\&= \frac{-114 + 90}{12} \\&= \frac{-24}{12} \\&= -2\end{aligned}$$

答案正確

我們也可以得到一個求 d 的公式

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

$$2S_n = n(n-1)d + 2na_1$$

$$n(n-1)d = 2S_n - 2na_1$$

$$\therefore d = \frac{2S_n - 2na_1}{n(n-1)}$$

22. 承(20)題， $S_n = -57$, $n = 6$, $a_1 = -2$

$$\begin{aligned}d &= \frac{2S_n - 2na_1}{n(n-1)} \\&= \frac{2(-57) - 2(6)(-2)}{6(6-1)} \\&= \frac{-114 + 24}{30} \\&= \frac{-90}{30} \\&= -3\end{aligned}$$

答案是正確的，我們可以有一個求 n 的公式

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

$$2S_n = n(n-1)d + 2na_1$$

$$n^2d - nd + 2na_1 - 2S_n = 0$$

23. 承(20)題， $d = -3$, $a_1 = -2$, $S_n = -57$ ，求 n

$$\therefore n^2d - nd + 2na_1 - 2S_n = 0$$

$$n^2(-3) - n(-3) + 2n(-2) - 2(-57) = 0$$

$$-3n^2 + 3n - 4n + 114 = 0$$

$$-3n^2 - n + 114 = 0$$

$$3n^2 + n - 114 = 0$$

$$(3n + 19)(n - 6) = 0$$

$$\therefore n = 6$$

答案是正確的

24. 承(16)題，已知 $S_7 = 84$, $d = 3$ ，求 a_1

$$a_1 = \frac{2S_n - n(n-1)d}{2n}$$

$$= \frac{2(84) - 7(7-1)3}{2(7)}$$

$$= \frac{168 - 126}{14}$$

$$= \frac{42}{14}$$

$$= 3$$

答案正確

25. 承(16)題，已知 $S_7 = 84$, $a_1 = 3$ ，求 d

$$d = \frac{2S_n - 2na_1}{n(n-1)}$$

$$= \frac{2(84) - 2(7)(3)}{7(7-1)}$$

$$= \frac{168 - 42}{42}$$

$$= \frac{126}{42}$$

$$= 3$$

答案正確

26. 承(16)題，已知 $S_n = 84, a_1 = 3, d = 3$ ，求 n

$$n^2d - nd + 2na_1 - 2S_n = 0$$

$$n^2(3) - 3n + 2n(3) - 2(84) = 0$$

$$3n^2 + 3n - 168 = 0$$

$$n^2 + n - 56 = 0$$

$$(n + 8)(n - 7) = 0$$

$$\therefore n = 7$$

答案正確

我們都以為 S_n 不是遞減，就是遞增，其實 S_n 會回到 a_1 的，請看以下的例子：

$$a_1 = -5, d = 2, S_1 = -5$$

$$a_2 = -5 + 2 = -3, S_2 = -5 + (-3) = -8$$

$$a_3 = -3 + 2 = -1, S_3 = -8 + (-1) = -9$$

$$a_4 = -1 + 2 = 1, S_4 = -9 + 1 = -8$$

$$a_5 = 1 + 2 = 3, S_5 = -8 + 3 = -5 = a_1$$

我們可以推導一個公式，使我們知道 $S_n = a_1$ 的條件

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d) = a_1$$

$$n(2a_1 + (n-1)d) = 2a_1$$

$$2a_1n - 2a_1 + n(n-1)d = 0$$

$$2a_1(n-1) = -n(n-1)d$$

$$\therefore 2a_1 = -nd$$

如 $a_1 = -5, d = 2$ ，則當 $n = 5$ 時， $S_5 = a_1$

$$\text{因為 } 2a_1 = 2(-5) = -10$$

$$-nd = -5(2) = -10$$

$$\therefore 2a_1 = -nd$$

27. $a_1 = 4, d = -2$ ，求何時 $S_n = a_1 = 4$

$$2a_1 = -nd \text{ 時 } S_n = a_1$$

$$\therefore 2(4) = -n(-2)$$

$$n = 4$$

我們可以看一下是否真的如此

$$a_1 = 4, d = -2, S_1 = 4$$

$$a_2 = 4 - 2 = 2, S_2 = 4 + 2 = 6$$

$$a_3 = 2 - 2 = 0, S_3 = 6 + 0 = 6$$

$$a_4 = 0 - 2 = -2, S_4 = 6 - 2 = 4$$

的確，當 $n = 4$ 時， $S_4 = a_1$

28. $a_2 = -6, d = 3$ ，求何時 $S_n = a_1$

$$2a_1 = -nd$$

$$2(-6) = -n(3)$$

$$-12 = -3n$$

$$n = 4$$

驗證

$$a_1 = -6, S_1 = -6$$

$$a_2 = -6 + 3 = -3, S_2 = -6 + (-3) = -9$$

$$a_3 = -3 + 3 = 0, S_3 = -9 + 0 = -9$$

$$a_4 = 0 + 3 = 3, S_4 = -9 + 3 = -6 = a_1$$

$\therefore$ 答案是正確的

我們也應該知道 S_n 可能等於0的

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d) = 0$$

$$\therefore 2a_1 + (n-1)d = 0$$

$$2a_1 = -(n-1)d$$

29. $a_1 = -6, d = 3$, 求何時 $S_n = 0$

$$2a_1 = -(n-1)d$$

$$2(-6) = -(n-1)3$$

$$-12 = -3n + 3$$

$$3n = 15$$

$$n = 5$$

驗證

$$a_1 = -6, S_1 = -6$$

$$a_2 = -6 + 3 = -3, S_2 = -6 + (-3) = -9$$

$$a_3 = -3 + 3 = 0, S_3 = -9 + 0 = -9$$

$$a_4 = 0 + 3 = 3, S_4 = -9 + 3 = -6$$

$$a_5 = 3 + 3 = 6, S_5 = -6 + 6 = 0$$

答案正確

由以上的例子， S_n 可能先上升，然後下降。

30. 已知 $a_5 = 2, a_7 = 1$, 求 a_1 及 d

$$a_i - a_j = (i - j)d$$

$$\therefore a_5 - a_7 = (5 - 7)d$$

$$2 - 1 = -2d$$

$$d = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_5 = a_1 + 4d = a_1 + 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = a_1 - 2 = 2$$

$$\therefore a_1 = 4$$

驗證

$$a_7 = a_1 + 6d = 4 + 6\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 4 - 3 = 1$$

答案正確

31. 已知 $a_6 = 2, a_8 = 4$, 求 a_1 及 d

$$a_i - a_j = (i - j)d$$

$$\therefore a_6 - a_8 = (6 - 8)d$$

$$2 - 4 = -2d$$

$$d = 1$$

$$a_6 = a_1 + 5d = a_1 + 5 = 2$$

$$\therefore a_1 = -3$$

驗證

$$a_8 = a_1 + 7d = -3 + 7 = 4$$

答案正確

32. 已知 $S_6 = -33, S_9 = -90$, 求 a_1 及 d

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n - 1)d)$$

$$S_6 = \frac{6}{2}(2a_1 + 5d)$$

$$-33 = 3(2a_1 + 5d)$$

$$(2a_1 + 5d) = -11 \dots \dots (1)$$

$$S_9 = \frac{9}{2}(2a_1 + 8d)$$

$$-90 = \frac{9}{2}(2a_1 + 8d)$$

$$(2a_1 + 8d) = -20 \dots \dots (2)$$

$$(1) - (2)$$

$$-3d = -11 - (-20) = 9$$

$$d = -3 \quad \text{代入(1)}$$

$$2a_1 + 5(-3) = -11$$

$$2a_1 = -11 + 15 = 4$$

$$a_1 = 2$$

驗證

$$S_9 = \frac{9}{2}(2a_1 + 8d)$$

$$= \frac{9}{2}(2(2) + 8(-3))$$

$$= -90$$

答案正確

33. 已知 $S_4 = -16, S_7 = -49$, 求 a_1 及 d

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_4 = \frac{4}{2}(2a_1 + 3d)$$

$$-16 = 2(2a_1 + 3d)$$

$$(2a_1 + 3d) = -8 \dots \dots (1)$$

$$S_7 = \frac{7}{2}(2a_1 + 6d)$$

$$-49 = \frac{7}{2}(2a_1 + 6d)$$

$$(2a_1 + 6d) = -14 \dots \dots (2)$$

$$(1) - (2)$$

$$-3d = -8 - (-14) = 6$$

$$d = -2 \quad \text{代入(1)}$$

$$2a_1 + 3(-2) = -8$$

$$2a_1 = -8 + 6 = -2$$

$$a_1 = -1$$

驗證

$$S_7 = \frac{7}{2}(2a_1 + 6d)$$

$$= \frac{7}{2}(2(-1) + 6(-2))$$

$$= -49$$

答案正確

$a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m$ 為一等差級數，差是 d_1

$b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n$ 也是一等差級數，差是 d_2

$$a_1 = b_1$$

求此二等差級數的共同項目

令 C 等於 d_1 和 d_2 的最小公倍數，

則 $C_1 = a_1, C_2 = C_1 + C, C_3 = C_1 + 2C, \dots, C_n = C_1 + (n-1)C$ 為二等差級數的共同項目

$$34. \quad a_1 = 1, d_1 = 2$$

$$b_1 = 1, d_2 = 3$$

此二等差級數為

1,3,5,7,9,11,13,15,17,19,21,23,25

1,4,7,10,13,16,19,22,25,28,31,34,37

$d_1 = 2$ 和 $d_2 = 3$ 的最小公倍數是6，所以共同項目是

$$1 + 6 = 7, 7 + 6 = 13, 13 + 6 = 19, 19 + 6 = 25$$

各位可以看出以上的數字都出現在兩個等差級數之中，而且這些共同項目也是一個等差級數。

35. 一個特別的等差級數

$$d = a_1$$

等差級數是 $a_1, 2a_1, 3a_1, \dots, na_1$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

$$= \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + a_1(n-1))$$

$$= \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + na_1 - a_1)$$

$$= \frac{n}{2}(n+1)a_1$$

36. 根據上題，我們可以考慮以下這個特別的等差級數

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{m}, d = \frac{1}{m}, n = m - 1$$

此等差級數是

$$\frac{1}{m}, \frac{2}{m}, \dots, \frac{m-1}{m}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d) \\ &= \frac{m-1}{2} \left(2 \left(\frac{1}{m} \right) + (m-1-1) \left(\frac{1}{m} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{m-1}{2} \left(\left(\frac{2}{m} \right) + (m-2) \left(\frac{1}{m} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{m-1}{2} (1) \\ &= \frac{m-1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

驗證 $m = 5$

$$\frac{1}{5} + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{5} = \frac{1+2+3+4}{5} = 2$$

$$\frac{m-1}{2} = \frac{5-1}{2} = 2$$

故答案正確

此題的答案可以利用第 35 題的答案

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{m}, d = \frac{1}{m}, n = m - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore S_n &= \frac{n}{2}(n+1)a_1 \\ &= \frac{m-1(m-1+1) \left(\frac{1}{m} \right)}{2} \\ &= \frac{(m-1)m \left(\frac{1}{m} \right)}{2} \\ &= \frac{m-1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$37. \quad a_1 = \frac{1}{m^2}, d = \frac{1}{m^2}, n = m^2 - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore S_n &= \frac{n}{2}(n+1)a_1 \\ &= \frac{(m^2-1)(m^2-1+1)}{2} \left(\frac{1}{m^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{m^2-1}{2} \end{aligned}$$