

12. Show that the sum of the natural numbers from 1 to  $n$  is  $\frac{n}{2}(n+1)$  and use the formula to find the sum of  $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 99$ .

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n$$

$$a = 1, \quad d = 1, \quad n = n$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2(1) + (n-1)1]$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2 + n - 1]$$

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

$$S_{99} = \frac{99}{2}(99+1) = 4950 \quad \checkmark$$

14. In an arithmetic sequence,  $T_{21} = 37$  and  $S_{20} = 320$ . Find the sum of the first ten terms.

$$T_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$\Rightarrow T_{21} = 37$$

$$\Rightarrow 37 = a + (21-1)d$$

$$a + 20d = 37 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$S_{20} = 320$$

$$\Rightarrow 320 = \frac{20}{2}[2a + (20-1)d]$$

$$32 = 2a + 19d \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$20 \times \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow 2a + 40d = 74$$

$$-2a - 19d = 32$$

$$21d = 42 \quad \Rightarrow \quad d = 2 \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \Rightarrow a + 20(2) = 37 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a = -3$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$S_{10} = \frac{10}{2}[2(-3) + (10-1)2]$$

$$= 5[-6 + 18] = 5[12] = 60 \quad \checkmark$$

15. Show that  $S_n = \frac{n(a+l)}{2}$  is the sum to  $n$  terms of an arithmetic sequence where  $l$  is the last term.

$$C = T_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$= \frac{n}{2} [a + (a + (n-1)d)]$$

$$= \frac{n}{2} [a + l] \quad \checkmark$$

16. Explain why  $S_\infty$  (the sum to infinity) for an arithmetic sequence cannot be found.

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{"} S_\infty = \frac{\infty}{2} [2a + (\infty-1)d] \text{"}$$

this is problematic because  
 $\infty/2$  makes no sense  
 as does  $(\infty-1)$   
 as does  $(\infty-1)d$   
 etc....

$\Rightarrow$  to sum you need an  
 end term and this  
 is not the case in  $S_\infty$