

Sequences and Series

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Determine if the sequence is arithmetic. If it is, find the common difference and the term named in the problem.

1) $-35, -43, -51, -59, \dots$
 Find t_{28}

$n=28$
 $t_1 = -35$
 $d = -8$
 $t_n = t_1 + (n-1)d$
 $t_{28} = -35 + (28-1)(-8)$
 $t_{28} = -251$

2) $2, -198, -398, -598, \dots$
 Find t_{23}

$n=23$
 $t_1 = 2$
 $d = -200$
 $t_n = t_1 + (n-1)d$
 $t_{23} = 2 + (23-1)(-200)$
 $t_{23} = -4398$

Given two terms in an arithmetic sequence find the common difference and the term named in the problem.

3) $t_{11} = -75$ and $t_{37} = -257$

Find t_{40}
 Find "d":
 $37-11 = 26$
 $-75 + 26d = -257$
 $+75$
 $26d = -182$
 $d = -7$
 Find " t_1 ":
 $-75 = t_1 + (11-1)(-7)$
 $t_1 = -5$
 $t_{40} = -5 + (40-1)(-7)$
 $t_{40} = -278$

4) $t_{10} = -38$ and $t_{37} = -173$

Find t_{40}
 Find "d":
 $37-10 = 27$
 $-38 + 27d = -173$
 $+38$
 $27d = -135$
 $d = -5$
 Find " t_1 ":
 $-38 = t_1 + (10-1)(-5)$
 $t_1 = 7$
 $t_{40} = 7 + (40-1)(-5)$
 $t_{40} = -188$

Given a term in an arithmetic sequence and the common difference find the term named in the problem.

5) $t_{38} = -3661, d = -100$

Find t_{33}
 Find " t_1 ":
 $-3661 = t_1 + (38-1)(-100)$
 $t_1 = 39$
 $t_{33} = 39 + (33-1)(-100)$
 $t_{33} = -3161$

6) $t_{10} = 18, d = 4$

Find t_{31}
 Find " t_1 ":
 $18 = t_1 + (10-1)(4)$
 $t_1 = -18$
 $t_{31} = -18 + (31-1)(4)$
 $t_{31} = 102$

Find the next three terms in each sequence.

7) 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, ...

$\times 2 \cdot \times 2 \cdot \times 2 \cdot \times 2$

32, 64, 128

8) -2.5, -5, -10, -20, -40, ...

-80, -160, -320

Find the tenth term in each sequence.

9) -3, 9, -27, 81, -243, ...

$t_{10} = ?$ $t_{10} = (-3) \cdot (-3)^{10-1}$

$t_1 = -3$

$r = \frac{9}{-3} = -3$

$n = 10$

$t_{10} = 59049$

10) -2, -6, -18, -54, -162, ...

$t_{10} = ?$ $t_{10} = (-2) \cdot (3)^{10-1}$

$t_1 = -2$

$r = \frac{-6}{-2} = 3$

$n = 10$

$t_{10} = -39366$

Determine if the sequence is geometric. If it is, find the common ratio, the 8th term, and the ~~explicit~~ ^{general term} formula.

11) -2, 8, -32, 128, ...

$r = \frac{8}{-2} = -4$

$t_8 = (-2) \cdot (-4)^{8-1}$

$t_1 = -2$

$n = 8$

$t_8 = 32768$

$t_n = (-2) \cdot (-4)^{n-1}$

12) -2, -6, -18, -54, ...

$r = \frac{-6}{-2} = 3$

$t_8 = (-2) \cdot (3)^{8-1}$

$t_1 = -2$

$n = 8$

$t_8 = -4374$

$t_n = (-2) \cdot (3)^{n-1}$

Find the missing term or terms in each geometric sequence.

13) ..., 2, 6, 18, 54, 162, 486, ...

$2 \cdot r^5 = 486$

$r^5 = 243$

$r = \sqrt[5]{243}$

$r = 3$

14) ..., 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, ...

$1 \cdot r^5 = 32$

$r = \sqrt[5]{32}$

$r = 2$

Find the missing term or terms in each arithmetic sequence.

15) ..., 40, $\underbrace{10}_{+d}$, $\underbrace{-20}_{+d}$, $\underbrace{-50}_{+d}$, -80, ...

$$40 + 4d = -80$$

$$4d = -120$$

$$d = -30$$

16) ..., 3, $\underbrace{8}_{+d}$, $\underbrace{13}_{+d}$, $\underbrace{18}_{+d}$, 23, ...

$$3 + 4d = 23$$

$$4d = 20$$

$$d = 5$$

Evaluate each arithmetic series described.

17) $23 + 33 + 43 + 53, \dots, n = 19$ *don't know last term
 $t_1 = 23$ $S_n = \frac{n(2t_1 + (n-1)d)}{2}$
 $n = 19$ $S_{19} = \frac{19(2(23) + (19-1)(10))}{2}$
 $d = 10$

$$S_{19} = 2147$$

18) $(-16) + (-26) + (-36) + (-46), \dots, n = 17$ *don't know last term
 $t_1 = -16$ $S_n = \frac{n(2t_1 + (n-1)d)}{2}$
 $n = 17$ $S_{17} = \frac{17(2(-16) + (17-1)(-10))}{2}$
 $d = -10$

$$S_{17} = -1632$$

Evaluate each geometric series described.

19) $3 - 6 + 12 - 24, \dots, n = 8$
 $t_1 = 3$ $S_n = \frac{t_1(1-r^n)}{1-r}$
 $n = 8$ $S_8 = \frac{3(1-(-2)^8)}{1-(-2)}$
 $r = \frac{-6}{3} = -2$

$$S_8 = -255$$

20) $3 - 6 + 12 - 24, \dots, n = 7$
 $t_1 = 3$ $S_n = \frac{t_1(1-r^n)}{1-r}$
 $n = 7$ $S_7 = \frac{3(1-(-2)^7)}{1-(-2)}$
 $r = \frac{-6}{3} = -2$

$$S_7 = 129$$

21) $2 + 10 + 50 + 250, \dots, n = 9$
 $t_1 = 2$ $S_n = \frac{t_1(1-r^n)}{1-r}$
 $n = 9$ $S_9 = \frac{2(1-5^9)}{1-5}$
 $r = \frac{10}{2} = 5$

$$S_9 = 976,562$$

22) $2 + 10 + 50 + 250, \dots, n = 8$
 $t_1 = 2$ $S_n = \frac{t_1(1-r^n)}{1-r}$
 $n = 8$ $S_8 = \frac{2(1-5^8)}{1-5}$
 $r = \frac{10}{2} = 5$

$$S_8 = 195312$$

Determine the number of terms n in each geometric series.

23) $t_1 = 2, r = 6, S_n = 18662$

$$S_n = \frac{t_1(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$18,662 = \frac{2(1-6^n)}{1-6}$$

$$-93,310 = 2(1-6^n)$$

$$-46,655 = 1-6^n$$

$$-46,656 = -6^n$$

$$46,656 = 6^n$$

Guess & check

$$46,656 = 6^6$$

$$\therefore n = 6$$

24) $t_1 = 1, r = 6, S_n = 259$

$$259 = \frac{1(1-6^n)}{1-6}$$

$$-1295 = 1-6^n$$

$$-1296 = -6^n$$

$$1296 = 6^n$$

Guess & check

$$1296 = 6^4$$

$$\therefore n = 4$$

$$25) \overbrace{1}^{\times 5} + \overbrace{5}^{\times 5} + \overbrace{25}^{\times 5} + 125 \dots, S_n = 97656$$

$$97656 = \frac{1(1-5^n)}{1-5}$$

$$-390624 = 1-5^n$$

$$-390625 = -5^n$$

$$390625 = 5^n$$

Guess and check \rightarrow $n=8$

$$26) \overbrace{1}^{\times 4} + \overbrace{4}^{\times 4} + \overbrace{16}^{\times 4} + 64 \dots, S_n = 87381$$

$$87381 = \frac{1(1-4^n)}{1-4}$$

$$-262143 = 1-4^n$$

$$-262144 = -4^n$$

$$262144 = 4^n$$

Guess and check \rightarrow $n=9$

Determine if each geometric series converges or diverges.

$$27) \frac{9}{5} + \frac{9}{10} + \frac{9}{20} + \frac{9}{40} \dots$$

$$r = \frac{9}{10} \div \frac{9}{5} = \frac{9}{10} \times \frac{5}{9} = \frac{1}{2}$$

\therefore converges

$$28) 2 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{32} \dots$$

$$r = -\frac{1}{2} \div 2 = -\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

\therefore converges

Evaluate each infinite geometric series described.

$$29) 1.8 - 0.36 + 0.072 - 0.0144 \dots$$

$$r = \frac{-0.36}{1.8} = -0.2$$

$$S = \frac{t_1}{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{1.8}{1-(-0.2)}$$

$$= \frac{1.8}{1.2}$$

\rightarrow 1.5

$$30) 1215 + 405 + 135 + 45 \dots$$

$$r = \frac{405}{1215} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$S = \frac{1215}{1-\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{1215}{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$= 1215 \times \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= \frac{3645}{2} \text{ or } 1822.5$$

Determine the common ratio of the infinite geometric series.

$$31) t_1 = -3, S = -6$$

$$S = \frac{t_1}{1-r}$$

$$-6 = \frac{-3}{1-r}$$

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

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

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

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

$$r = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$32) t_1 = 7.1, S = 4.4375$$

$$S = \frac{t_1}{1-r}$$

$$4.4375 = \frac{7.1}{1-r}$$

$$\frac{4.4375(1-r)}{4.4375} = \frac{7.1}{4.4375}$$

$$1-r = 1.6$$

$$-r = 0.6$$

$$r = -0.6$$