

Sequences and Series

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45. State whether each sequence is arithmetic, geometric or neither and find a formula for a_n .
- a. 17, 12, 7, 2, ... b. 3, 8, 15, 24, 35, ... c. -81, 27, -9, 3, ...
46. a. Find the 17th term of 3, 6, 9, ...
b. Find the sum of the first 17 terms of 3, 6, 9, ...
47. In a geometric sequence, $a_3 = 4$ and $a_6 = \frac{4}{27}$. Find a_{10} .
48. In an arithmetic sequence, $a_3 = 23$ and $a_6 = 50$. Find a_{24} .
49. An auditorium has 30 rows of seats. There are 20 seats in the first row, 24 seats in the second row, 28 seats in the third row, and so on. Determine the seating capacity in the auditorium.
50. Given the series $1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{27} + \dots$
- a) Does it converge or diverge?
b) Find the sum, if possible.
51. Find the sum of the first 8 terms of $1, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{9}, -\frac{1}{27}, \dots$

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Answers

- 45a. arith $a_n = -5n + 22$ 45b. neither; $a_n = n^2 + 2n$ 45c. geometric; $a_n = -81\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1}$
- 46b. 459 47. $\frac{4}{2187}$ 48. 212 46a. 51
- 50a. converge 50b. $\frac{3}{4}$ 51. $\frac{1640}{2187}$ 49. 2340

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52. Find the interval of convergence and the sum in terms of x of:

$$1 + \frac{2x}{3} + \frac{4x^2}{9} + \dots$$

53. Express the following series in sigma notation:
 $8 + 5 + 2 - 1 - 4 - 7 - 10 - 13$

54. $t_1 = 1$
 $t_{k+1} = t_k + 2k + 1$

a) Write the first 6 terms

b) Write an explicit formula

55. Evaluate the following:

a. $\sum_{n=3}^7 (4n - 7)$

b. $\sum_{k=1}^{20} 2k(k-1)$

56. Express in sigma notation: $5 + 9 + 13 + \dots + 101$

57. For what values of x do the following converge?

a) $1 + (x-3) + (x-3)^2 + \dots$

b) $1 + 3x + 9x^2 + \dots$

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52. $-\frac{3}{2} < x < \frac{3}{2}; \frac{3}{3-2x}$

53. $\sum_{i=1}^8 (-3n+11)$

54a. 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36

54b. $a_n = n^2$

55a. 65

55b. 5320

56. $\sum_{i=1}^{25} (4n+1)$

57a. $2 < x < 4$

57b. $-\frac{1}{3} < x < \frac{1}{3}$

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58. Given the series $1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{27} + \dots$

a) Express the series in sigma notation.

b) Find the sum.

59. Write a recursive definition for the following sequence:

6, 10, 14, 18, 22, ...

60. For what value of x does the following sequence converge to $\frac{3}{5}$? $1 + 2x + 4x^2 + \dots$

~~61. Prove by Mathematical Induction.~~

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (4i-1) = n(2n+1)$$

a. $\sum_{n=3}^7 (4n-7)$

b. $\sum_{k=1}^{20} 2k(k-1)$

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58a. $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1}$

60. $-\frac{1}{3}$

58b. $\frac{3}{2}$

61. omit!!

59. $a_1 = 6$
 $a_n = a_{n-1} + 4$