

Yr 12 Ext 1 Assignment 1  
Sequences and Series  
Due Friday Week 2B

Please complete your assignment neatly on your own paper (Do not tear out of book!)

1) Show that  $\sum_{k=1}^8 (4k + 1)$  represents an arithmetic series and hence evaluate this sum.

2) An arithmetic series has a seventh term of 8 and the difference between the twelfth and the eleventh terms is  $-4$ .

- i. Find the common difference  $d$ .
- ii. What is the first term  $a$ .
- iii. Calculate the sum of the first 17 terms.

3) Find the limiting sum of the series  $1 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{9}{16} + \frac{27}{64} + \dots$

4) The decimal (i.e.  $0.34343434\dots$ ) can be considered as the sum of a geometric sequence.

- i. What is the value of the first term,  $a$ , and the common ratio,  $r$ ?
- ii. Hence or otherwise express as a fraction.

5) The second term of a geometric series is 120 and the fifth term is  $50.625$ .

- i. Find the common ratio and the first term of the series.
- ii. Find the limiting sum of the series.
- iii. Hence, find the difference between the limiting sum and the sum of the first 40 terms giving your answer in scientific notation correct to 2 significant figures.

6) The third term of a geometric series is 3 and the seventh term is 12. Find the 14<sup>th</sup> term of this series.

7) At the beginning of each year a man invests \$1500 in a superannuation fund, on which he is paid 10.5% p.a. interest. Find:

- a. The total amount of interest for the first year.
- b. The total his investment amounts to after 20 years.

- 8) Mrs Strife borrows \$80 000 at 18% p.a. monthly reducible interest for 25 years and agrees to repay the loan in equal monthly instalments.
- Calculate the value of each monthly instalment.
  - What will be the total amount of interest paid on this loan?

- 9) Over the years the statistics showed the population of a particular town was decreasing in such a way that at the end of each year the population could be determined in the following way:  
10% of the population at the beginning of the year moved out and  
500 new citizens moved in during the year.
- At the beginning of 1990, before the 10% moved out, the population of the town was 10 000.
- Show that at the end of 1992 the population of the town was:  
 $10\,000(0.9)^3 + 500(1 + 0.9 + 0.9^2)$ .
  - This trend continued indefinitely. Find the population of the town at the end of the year 2009.  
(i.e. the end of the 20th year)

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$$1) T_3 - T_2 = d \quad T_2 - T_1 = d$$

$$(4(3)+1) - (4(2)+1) = 4$$

$$(4(2)+1) - (4(1)+1) = 4 \quad \checkmark$$

$$d = 4 \text{ arithmetic series}$$

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

$$S_8 = \frac{8}{2} [2(5) + (8-1)4]$$

$$S_8 = 152 \quad \checkmark$$

$$2) i) d = -4 \quad \checkmark$$

$$ii) T_7 = a + 6d = 8$$

$$a = 8 - 6(-4)$$

$$a = 32 \quad \checkmark$$

$$iii) S_{17} = \frac{17}{2} [2 \times 32 + (17-1) \times -4]$$

(16) \times -4  
64 - 64

$$S_{17} = -68 \quad 0$$

$$3) a = 1 \quad r = \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{as } |r| < 1$$

a limiting sum exists

$$S_\infty = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{3}{4}} \quad S_\infty = 4 \quad \checkmark$$

$$4) i) 0.34 + 0.0034 + 0.000034 \dots$$

$$a = 0.34 \quad r = \frac{1}{100}$$

$$iii) S_\infty = \frac{0.34}{1 - \frac{1}{100}}$$

$$S_\infty = \frac{34}{100} \times \frac{100}{99}$$

$$S_\infty = \frac{34}{99} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{13}{47}$$

$$5) i) T_2 = ar = 120 \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$T_5 = ar^4 = 50.625 \quad \text{--- ②}$$

$$\text{②} \div \text{①} : r^3 = 0.421875$$

$$r = \underline{0.75} \quad \text{--- ③}$$

$$\text{③ into ①} : 0.75a = 120$$

$$a = 160 \quad \checkmark$$

$$ii) S_\infty = \frac{160}{1 - \frac{3}{4}} \quad S_\infty = 640 \quad \checkmark$$

$$iii) S_{40} = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$S_{40} = \frac{160 \left(1 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{40}\right)}{0.25}$$

$$S_{40} = 639.9935638 \quad \checkmark$$

$$S_\infty - S_{40} = 0.0064 \quad \checkmark$$

6) ?

$$7) C.I = 1500(1.105)^t$$

$$a) = \$ 57.50 \quad \checkmark$$

$$b) 1^{st} \text{ deposit} : 1500(1.105)^{20}$$

$$2^{nd} \text{ deposit} : 1500(1.105)^{19}$$

$$\text{Total} : 1500(1.105 + 1.105^2 \dots 1.105^{20})$$

$$S_{20} \text{ of G.P} = 1500 \left[ \frac{1.105(1.105^{20} - 1)}{1.105 - 1} \right]$$

$$S_{20} = \$100,495.56$$

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$$8) i) Q = \frac{(R-1)(PR^n - A_n)}{(R^n - 1)}$$

where  $Q$  = monthly instalment

$R = 1 + \frac{r}{100}$  where  $r$  = rate

$A_n$  = Amount owing

$n$  = number of periods

$$Q = \frac{(1.015-1)(80,000 \times 1.015^{300})}{1.015^{300} - 1}$$

$$Q = \$1213.94$$

$$ii) Q \times 300 - 80,000 = \$284,183.19$$

9) i) End of first year:

$$P_1 = 10000 \times 0.9 + 500$$

End of second year:

$$P_2 = P_1 \times 0.9 + 500$$

End of third year:

$$P_3 = P_2 \times 0.9 + 500$$

$$P_3 = (P_1 \times 0.9 + 500) \times 0.9 + 500$$

$$P_3 = ((10000 \times 0.9 + 500) \times 0.9 + 500) \times 0.9 + 500$$

$$P_3 = (10^4 \times (0.9)^2 + (500 \times 0.9) + 500) \times 0.9 + 500$$

$$P_3 = 10^4 \times (0.9)^3 + 500 \times (0.9)^2 + 500 \times (0.9) + 500$$

$$P_3 = 10,000 \times (0.9)^3 + 500(1 + 0.9 + (0.9)^2)$$

$$ii) G.P: 10,000 \times (0.9)^{20} + 500(1 + 0.9 + 0.9^2 + 0.9^3 \dots)$$

$$\therefore 10,000 \times (0.9)^{20} + 500 \left[ \frac{1(1 - 0.9^{20})}{1 - 0.9} \right]$$

$$\therefore 10,000 \times (0.9)^{20} + 500(8.7842 \dots)$$

$$= 5695$$