

Write down the first 5 terms of each sequence.

Thus  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$

1.  $\{(n-1)^2\} = 0^2, 1^2, 2^2, 3^2, 4^2 = 0, 1, 4, 9, 16$

2.  $\{(-1)^n \left(\frac{n+3}{n+1}\right)\} = -\frac{4}{2}, +\frac{5}{3}, -\frac{6}{4}, +\frac{7}{5}, -\frac{8}{6}$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n c = \overbrace{c+c+c+\dots+c}^{n \text{ terms}} = cn$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k = 1+2+3+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = 1^2+2^2+3^2+\dots+n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^3 = 1^3+2^3+3^3+\dots+n^3 = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2$$

Evaluate using formulas. (or) use sum(seq (formula, variable, beg. value, end. value, step))

3.  $\sum_{k=1}^{10} (k+3) = 85$

4.  $\sum_{k=1}^8 (2k^2-1) = 400$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{10} k + \sum_{k=1}^{10} 3$$

$$\frac{10(11)}{2} + 3(10)$$

$$5(11) + 30 = 55 + 30 = 85$$

$$2 \sum_{k=1}^8 k^2 - \sum_{k=1}^8 1 = 2 \left[ \frac{8(9)(17)}{6} \right] - 1(8)$$

$$= 408 - 8 = 400$$

$$\text{Sum}(\text{seq}(2x^2-1, x, 1, 8, 1)) = 400$$

Find a general formula for the sequence.

5.  $\{3, -5, 7, -9, 11, -13, \dots\}$   $a_n = (-1)^{n+1} (2n+1)$

Notice the pattern of odd numbers, beginning with 3.  
Also notice the alternating signs, beginning with positive.

Arithmetic Sequences	Geometric Sequences
$a_n = a_1 + d(n-1)$	$a_n = a_1 r^{n-1}$
$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_n)$	$S_n = \frac{a_1(1-r^n)}{1-r}$
	$S_\infty = \frac{a_1}{1-r},  r  < 1$

6. a. Write out the terms in the indicated sequence and then find the sum.

$\sum_{k=1}^7 4k-3 = \underline{1 + 5 + 9 + 13 + 17 + 21 + 25}$  (4 pts.)

Add to find sum  
= 91

Use formula  $S_7 = \frac{7}{2}(1+25) = \frac{7}{2}(26) = 91$

b. Is this an arithmetic sequence or a geometric sequence? arithmetic (2 pts.)

c. Find the 35<sup>th</sup> term of the sequence.  $a_{35} = \underline{137}$  (4 pts.)  
 $a_{35} = a_1 + (n-1)d$   
 $a_{35} = 1 + (34)(4) = 1 + 136 = 137$

or  $a_{35} = 4n - 3 = 4(35) - 3 = 140 - 3 = 137$

d. Find the sum of the first 35 terms of the sequence.  $S_{35} = \underline{2415}$  (4 pts.)

$S_{35} = \frac{35}{2}(1 + 137) = \frac{35}{2}(138)$

7. Given the sequence  $\frac{10}{1}, \frac{10}{3}, \frac{10}{9}, \frac{10}{27}, \dots$  } Notice:  $a_1 = 10, r = \frac{1}{3}$  & thus  $|r| < 1$

a. Is the sequence arithmetic or geometric? Geometric (2 pts.)

b. Write a formula for the nth term of the sequence.  $a_n = \underline{10/3^{(n-1)}}$  (4 pts.)

$a_n = \left(\frac{10}{1}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1}$  or  $\frac{10}{3^{(n-1)}}$

c. What is the 8<sup>th</sup> term?  $a_8 = \underline{10/3^7} = \frac{10}{2187}$  (4 pts.)

$a_8 = \left(\frac{10}{1}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^7$  or  $\frac{10}{3^7}$

d. What is the sum of the first 8 terms?  $S_8 = \underline{14.99771376}$  (4 pts.)  $\frac{15(6560)}{6561}$

$S_8 = \frac{10(1-(\frac{1}{3})^8)}{1-\frac{1}{3}} = 10(1-\frac{1}{3^8})\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$

e. What is the sum of this infinite sequence?  $S_\infty = \underline{15}$  (4 pts.)

$S_\infty = \frac{10}{1-\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{10}{\frac{2}{3}} = 10 \cdot \frac{3}{2} = \frac{30}{2} = 15$

or  $\text{Sum}(\text{seq}(10/3^{(n-1)}, n, 1, 8)) = 14.99771376$

or variable of x if in function mode note: as  $n \rightarrow \infty$   
 $S_\infty \rightarrow 15$