

Exercise 6

A Sigma Notation and Summation

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Solution

(a) $1 \times 3 + 2 \times 5 + 3 \times 7 + 4 \times 9 + 5 \times 11$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^5 (r)(2r+1)$$

(b) $\frac{2}{1.2.3} + \frac{3}{3.4.5} + \frac{4}{5.6.7} + \dots \dots (2n \text{ terms})$

$$= \frac{1+1}{(1) \times (1+1) \times (1 \times 2)} + \frac{2+1}{(2) \times (2+1) \times (2 \times 2)} + \frac{3+1}{(2) \times (2+1) \times (2 \times 2)} \dots \dots + \frac{2n+1}{(2n) \times (2n+1) \times (2n \times 2)}$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{2n} \frac{r+1}{r(r+1)(r+2)}$$

(c) $-\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{7^2} - \frac{1}{9^2} + \dots \dots (n \text{ terms})$

$$= -\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{7^2} - \frac{1}{9^2} + \dots \dots + (-1)^n \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$= (-1)^1 \frac{1}{1^2} + (-1)^2 \frac{1}{3^2} + (-1)^3 \frac{1}{5^2} + (-1)^4 \frac{1}{7^2} + (-1)^5 \frac{1}{9^2} + \dots \dots + (-1)^n \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n (-1)^r \frac{1}{(2r-1)^2}$$

(d) $1.2! + 2.3! + 3.4! + \dots \dots + (n+1 \text{ terms})$

$$= 1.2! + 2.3! + 3.4! + \dots \dots + (n+1)[(n+1)+1]!$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{n+1} (r)(r+1)!$$

2**Solution**

$$\text{(a)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^5 \frac{1}{(r+1)!} = \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \frac{1}{5!} + \frac{1}{6!}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad \sum_{r=0}^{10} 2^r = 1 + 2 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{10}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^4 \frac{1}{r(r+2)} (-1)^r &= -\frac{1}{1(3)} + \frac{1}{2(4)} - \frac{1}{3(5)} + \frac{1}{4(6)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{24} \end{aligned}$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(a)} \quad & \sum_{r=1}^n (3r^2 - 3r + 2) \\
&= 3 \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 - 3 \sum_{r=1}^n r + 2n \\
&= \frac{3n}{6}(n+1)(2n+1) - \frac{3n}{2}(n+1) + 2n \\
&= \frac{n}{2}[2n^2 - 2 + 4] \\
&= n(n^2 + 1)
\end{aligned}$$

Learning point:

Use the results

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1) \qquad \sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{n}{2}(n+1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(b)} \quad & \sum_{r=1}^n [r(3r-1)] \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^n 3r^2 - \sum_{r=1}^n r \\
&= 3\left(\frac{n}{6}\right)(n+1)(2n+1) - \frac{n}{2}(n+1) \\
&= \frac{n}{2}(n+1)(2n+1-1) \\
&= n^2(n+1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(c)} \quad & \sum_{r=11}^{50} (r^3 - 2) \\
&= \sum_{r=11}^{50} r^3 - \sum_{r=11}^{50} 2 \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^{50} r^3 - \sum_{r=1}^{10} r^3 - \sum_{r=11}^{50} 2 \\
&= \left[\frac{50(1+50)}{2} \right]^2 - \left[\frac{10(1+10)}{2} \right]^2 - (50-11+1) \times 2 \\
&= 162250 - 3025 - 80 \\
&= 1622520
\end{aligned}$$

Learning point:

Recall results

$$\sum_{r=m}^n r = \sum_{r=1}^n r - \sum_{r=1}^{m-1} r, \text{ where } m \leq n. \qquad \sum_{r=n}^n a = an, \text{ where } a \text{ is constant.}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(d)} \quad \sum_{r=15}^{100} (3^r - 3^{r-1}) &= \sum_{r=15}^{100} 3^{r-1} (3-1) \\
&= \sum_{r=15}^{100} 3^r 3^{-1} (3-1) \\
&= \frac{2}{3} \sum_{r=15}^{100} 3^r \\
&= \frac{2}{3} [3^{15} + 3^{16} + 3^{17} + \dots + 3^{100}] \\
&= \frac{2}{3} \left[\frac{3^{15} (3^{100-15+1} - 1)}{3-1} \right] \\
&= \frac{2}{3} \left[\frac{3^{15} (3^{86} - 1)}{2} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{3} (3^{101} - 3^{15}) \\
&= 3^{100} - 3^{14}
\end{aligned}$$

Learning point:

Recall result

$$\sum_{r=1}^n a^r = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1} \quad \triangleleft \text{sum of first } n\text{th of geometric progression}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(e)} \quad \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^r &= \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^4 \dots \\
&= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} \\
&= \frac{1}{20}
\end{aligned}$$

Learning point:

Recall result

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} a^r = \frac{a}{r-1} \quad \triangleleft \text{sum to infinity of geometric progression}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(f)} \quad & \sum_{r=3}^n (3n-r) \\
&= \sum_{r=3}^n 3n - \sum_{r=3}^n r \\
&= (n-3+1)(3n) - \frac{(n-3+1)}{2}(n+3) \\
&= 3n(n-2) - \frac{(n-2)}{2}(n+3) \quad \triangleleft \text{factor out } \frac{(n-2)}{2} \\
&= \frac{(n-2)}{2}[6n - (n+3)] \\
&= \frac{(n-2)}{2}(6n - n - 3) \\
&= \frac{(n-2)(5n-3)}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(g)} \quad & \sum_{r=-n}^n (r^2 + 6r + 8) \\
&= \sum_{r=-n}^n r^2 + 6 \sum_{r=-n}^n r + \sum_{r=-n}^n 8 \\
&= 2 \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 + 6(0) + 8(2n+1) \\
&= \frac{2n}{6}(n+1)(2n+1) + 8(2n+1) \\
&= (2n+1) \left[\frac{n}{3}(n+1) + 8 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(h)} \quad & \sum_{r=1}^n (\ln 2^{r+1} - r(r+1) + 2^r) \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^n \ln 2^{r+1} - \sum_{r=1}^n r(r+1) + \sum_{r=1}^n 2^r \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^n (r+1) \ln 2 - \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 - \sum_{r=1}^n r + \sum_{r=1}^n 2^r \\
&= \ln 2 \sum_{r=1}^n r + \sum_{r=1}^n \ln 2 - \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 - \sum_{r=1}^n r + \sum_{r=1}^n 2^r \\
&= (\ln 2 - 1) \sum_{r=1}^n r - \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 + \sum_{r=1}^n 2^r + \sum_{r=1}^n \ln 2 \\
&= (\ln 2 - 1) \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \right) + \frac{2(2^n - 1)}{2 - 1} + n \ln 2 \\
&= (\ln 2 - 1) \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \right) + 2(2^n - 1) + n \ln 2
\end{aligned}$$

Solution

(a) Given $\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = n^2 + 2$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $n^2 + 2 \rightarrow \infty$.

\therefore the series diverges.

(b) Given $\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \frac{n+1}{n+2}$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \frac{\frac{n+1}{n} + \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{n}{n} + \frac{2}{n}} = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{n}}{1 + \frac{2}{n}} \quad \triangleleft \text{divide each term by } n$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n} \rightarrow 0$.

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} u_r = \frac{1+0}{1+0} = 1$$

\therefore the series converges.

The sum to infinity is 1.

Alternative way of presentation

$$\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \frac{n+1}{n+2}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n+1}{n+2} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) = 1$$

\therefore the series converges.

$$\text{Sum to infinity} = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} u_r = 1.$$

(c) Given $\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \frac{n^2+1}{n+2}$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \frac{\frac{n^2}{n} + \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{n}{n} + \frac{2}{n}} = \frac{n + \frac{1}{n}}{1 + \frac{2}{n}} \quad \triangleleft \text{divide each term by } n$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{n + \frac{1}{n}}{1 + \frac{2}{n}} \rightarrow \infty$

\therefore the series diverges.

(d) Given $\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \frac{(3n+1)(n-2)}{(n+2)(2n-3)}$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \left(\frac{\left(3 + \frac{1}{n}\right)\left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)\left(2 - \frac{3}{n}\right)} \right) \quad \triangleleft \text{divide } n \text{ to each term}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \frac{3}{n} \rightarrow 0$.

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} u_r = \left(\frac{(3+0)(1-0)}{(1+0)(2-0)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3(1)}{1(2)}$$

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

\therefore the series converges.

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} u_r = \frac{3}{2}$$

Alternative way of presentation

$$\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \frac{(3n+1)(n-2)}{(n+2)(2n-3)}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{r=1}^n u_r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(3n+1)(n-2)}{(n+2)(2n-3)} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\left(3 + \frac{1}{n}\right)\left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)\left(2 - \frac{3}{n}\right)} \right) = \frac{3(1)}{1(2)} = \frac{3}{2}$$

\therefore the series converges.

The sum to infinity is $\frac{3}{2}$.

(a)(i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{r=0}^{r=n} \frac{1}{(r+1)(r+2)(r+3)} &= \sum_{r-1=0}^{r-1=n} \frac{1}{(r)(r+1)(r+2)} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } r \text{ by } r-1 \\
 &= \sum_{r=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{(r)(r+1)(r+2)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2((n+1)+1)((n+1)+2)} \quad \triangleleft \text{substituting } n+1 \text{ into } \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2(n+1)(n+2)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2(n+2)(n+3)}
 \end{aligned}$$

(a)(ii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{r=2}^n \frac{1}{(r+1)r(r-1)} &= \sum_{r+1=2}^{r+1=n} \frac{1}{(r+2)(r+1)(r)} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } r \text{ by } r+1 \\
 &= \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{(r+2)(r+1)(r)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2((n-1)+1)((n-1)+2)} \quad \triangleleft \text{substituting } n-1 \text{ into } \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2(n+1)(n+2)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2n(n+1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)(i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{r=1}^{r=n} \frac{2r+5}{(r+2)^2(r+3)^2} &= \sum_{r-2=1}^{r-2=n} \frac{2(r-2)+5}{(r)^2(r+1)^2} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } r \text{ by } r-2 \\
 &= \sum_{r=3}^{n+2} \frac{2r+1}{(r)^2(r+1)^2} \\
 &= \sum_{r=1}^{n+2} \frac{2r+1}{(r)^2(r+1)^2} - \frac{2(1)+1}{(1)^2(1+1)^2} - \frac{2(2)+1}{(2)^2(2+1)^2} \\
 &= 1 - \frac{1}{(n+3)^2} - \frac{3}{4} - \frac{5}{36} \\
 &= \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{(n+3)^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)(ii)

$$\sum_{r=2}^n \frac{2r-1}{r^2(r-1)^2} = \sum_{r+1=2}^{r+1=n} \frac{2(r+1)-1}{(r+1)^2(r)^2} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } r \text{ by } r+1$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \frac{2r+1}{(r)^2(r+1)^2}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{(n-1+1)^2} \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } n \text{ by } n-1 \text{ in } 1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{n^2}$$

Solution

$$(a) \sum_{r=0}^k (2r + 5 - 3^{1-r})$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^k (2r + 5) - \sum_{r=0}^k 3^{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{k+1}{2} (5 + (2k+5)) - [3^0 + 3^1 + 3^2 + \dots + 3^{1-k}]$$

$$= \frac{k+1}{2} (k+5) - \frac{3 \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{k+1} \right)}{1 - \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= (k+1)(k+5) - \frac{9}{2} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{k+1} \right)$$

(b)

$$\sum_{r=0}^{r=k} (2r + 9 - 3^{-r-1}) = \sum_{r=2=0}^{r=2=k} (2r + 9 - 3^{-r-1}) \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } r \text{ by } r-2$$

$$= \sum_{r=2}^{k+2} (2(r-2) + 9 - 3^{-(r-2)-1})$$

$$= \sum_{r=2}^{k+2} (2r + 5 - 3^{1-r})$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^{k+2} (2r + 5 - 3^{1-r}) - (2 \times 0 + 5 - 3^{1-0}) - (2 \times 1 + 5 - 3^{1-1})$$

$$= ((k+2)+1)((k+2)+5) - \frac{9}{2} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{k+2+1} \right) - (5 - 3^1) - (7 - 3^0)$$

$$= (k+3)(k+7) - \frac{9}{2} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{k+3} \right) - 8$$

$$= (k+3)(k+7) - \frac{9}{2} + \frac{9}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{k+3} - 8$$

$$= (k+3)(k+7) - \frac{25}{2} + \frac{9}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{k+3}$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{r=n+1}^{2n} (2r+1)^2 \\
&= \sum_{r=n+1}^{2n} (4r^2 + 4r + 1) \\
&= 4 \sum_{r=n+1}^{2n} r^2 + 4 \sum_{r=n+1}^{2n} r + \sum_{r=n+1}^{2n} 1 \\
&= 4 \left(\sum_{r=1}^{2n} r^2 - \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 \right) + 4 \left(\frac{2n - (n+1) + 1}{2} (n+1 + 2n) \right) + (2n - (n+1) + 1) \\
&= 4 \left(\frac{1}{6} (2n)(2n+1)(4n+1) - \frac{1}{6} n(n+1)(2n+1) \right) + 2n(3n+1) + n \quad \triangleleft \text{factor out } \frac{2}{3} n(2n+1) \\
&= \frac{2}{3} n(2n+1) [2(4n+1) - (n+1)] + 6n^2 + 3n \\
&= \frac{2}{3} n(2n+1)(7n+1) + 3n(2n+1) \quad \triangleleft \text{factor out } \frac{1}{3} n(2n+1) \\
&= \frac{2}{3} n(2n+1) [2(7n+1) + 3 \times 3] \\
&= \frac{1}{3} n(2n+1) [14n + 2 + 9] \\
&= \frac{1}{3} n(2n+1)(14n+11)
\end{aligned}$$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{r=1}^k \left[\left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^{r+1} + \ln(r+1) \right] \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^k \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^{r+1} + \sum_{r=1}^k \ln(r+1) \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^k \left[\left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^{r+1} \right] + [\ln 2 + \ln 3 + \ln 4 + \dots + \ln(k+1)] \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^k \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^r \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) + \ln(2 \times 3 \times 4 \times \dots \times (k+1)) \\
&= \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{r=1}^k \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^r + \ln[(k+1)!] \\
&= \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \left[\left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^1 + \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + \dots + \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^k \right] + \ln[(k+1)!] \\
&= \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \left[\frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^1 \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^k \right)}{1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)} \right] + \ln[(k+1)!] \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \frac{2 \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^k \right)}{3} + \ln[(k+1)!] \\
&= \frac{1}{6} \left[1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^k \right] + \ln[(k+1)!]
\end{aligned}$$

(b) As $k \rightarrow \infty$, $\left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^k \rightarrow 0$ and $[(k+1)!] \rightarrow \infty$

$$\text{i.e. } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{6} \left[1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^k \right] \right\} = \frac{1}{6} \text{ and } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \{ \ln[(k+1)!] \} = \infty$$

\therefore the sum to infinity of the series does not exist.

Solution**(a)** Given $v_n = v_{n-1} + n$

$$v_2 = v_1 + 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_3 &= v_2 + 3 \\ &= v_1 + 2 + 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_4 &= v_3 + 4 \\ &= v_1 + 2 + 3 + 4 \end{aligned}$$

So, $v_n = v_1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n$

$$\begin{aligned} &= v_1 + \frac{n-1}{2}(2+n) \\ &= v_1 + \frac{(n-1)(n+2)}{2} \\ &= A + \frac{(n-1)(n+2)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore v_n = A + \frac{(n-1)(n+2)}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^n v_r &= \sum_{r=1}^n \left(A + \frac{(r-1)(r+2)}{2} \right) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^n \left(A + \frac{r^2 + r - 2}{2} \right) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^n A + \sum_{r=1}^n \left(\frac{r^2 + r - 2}{2} \right) \\ &= An + \sum_{r=1}^n \left(\frac{r^2}{2} + \frac{r}{2} - \frac{2}{2} \right) \\ &= An + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{r=1}^n r - \sum_{r=1}^n 1 \\ &= An + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{6} n(n+1)(2n+1) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{n}{2} (1+n) \right] - n \\ &= n(A-1) + \frac{1}{12} n(n+1)(2n+1) + \frac{1}{4} (n)(n+1) \end{aligned}$$

Solution

(a) $a_{n+1} = a_n + ka_{n-1}$ \triangleleft substituting $n = 1$

$$a_2 = a_1 + ka_0 \quad \triangleleft a_0 = 2, a_1 = 7 \text{ and } a_2 = 11$$

$$11 = 7 + k(2)$$

$$k = 2$$

(b) Given $a_n = A(2^n) + B(-1)^n + C$ (1)

Substitute $n = 1$ into (1)

$$2 = A + B + C$$
 (2)

Substitute $n = 2$ into (1)

$$7 = 2A - B + C$$
 (3)

Substitute $n = 3$ into (1)

$$11 = 4A + B + C$$
 (4)

Using GC to solve (2), (3) and (4)

$$A = 3, B = -1, C = 0$$

$$\therefore A = 3, B = -1 \text{ and } C = 0$$

(c) From (1): $a_r = 3(2^r) - (-1)^r$ \triangleleft substitute $A = 3, B = -1$ and $C = 0$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n a_r$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n [3(2^r) - (-1)^r]$$

$$= 3 \sum_{r=1}^n [2^r] - \sum_{r=1}^n (-1)^r$$

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

$$= 6(2^n - 1) - \frac{(-1)[(-1)^n - 1]}{-1 - 1}$$

$$= 6(2^n - 1) - \frac{1}{2}[(-1)^n - 1]$$

$$= 6(2^n) - \frac{1}{2}(-1)^n - \frac{11}{2}$$

Alternative Method

$$\sum_{r=1}^n a_r \\ = \sum_{r=1}^n [3(2^r) - (-1)^r]$$

When n is odd

$$= 3 \left[\frac{2(2^n - 1)}{2 - 1} \right] - (-1) \\ = 6(2^n - 1) + 1 \\ = 6(2^n) - 5$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n a_r \\ = \sum_{r=1}^n [3(2^r) - 1(-1)^r]$$

When n is even

$$= 3 \left[\frac{2(2^n - 1)}{2 - 1} \right] \\ = 6(2^n - 1)$$

$$\therefore \sum_{r=1}^n a_r = 6(2^n) - 5, \text{ where } n = \text{odd}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n a_r = 6(2^n - 1), \text{ when } n \text{ is even}$$

Exercise 6

B Series

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Solution

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^N (5^{n-1} + 2n) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N 5^{n-1} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^N n \\ &= \frac{1(5^N - 1)}{5 - 1} + 2\left(\frac{N}{2}(N + 1)\right) \\ &= \frac{(5^N - 1)}{4} + N(N + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Learning point:

Express the general term $5^{n-1} + 2n$ into summation.

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
& (n+1)^2 + (n+2)^2 + (n+3)^2 + \dots + (2n)^2 \\
&= \sum_{r=n+1}^{2n} r^2 \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^{2n} r^2 - \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 \\
&= \frac{2n}{6}(2n+1)(4n+1) - \frac{n}{6}(n+1)(2n+1) \\
&= \frac{n}{6}(2n+1)[2(4n+1) - (n+1)] \\
&= \frac{n}{6}(2n+1)[8n+2-n-1] \\
&= \frac{n}{6}(2n+1)(7n+1)
\end{aligned}$$

Learning point:

Use the result: $\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{r=n+1}^{2n} (2r-1)^2 \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^{2n} (2r-1)^2 - \sum_{r=1}^n (2r-1)^2 \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^{2n} (4r^2 - 4r + 1) - \sum_{r=1}^n (4r^2 - 4r + 1) \\
&= 4 \left[\sum_{r=1}^{2n} r^2 - \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 \right] + 4 \left[\sum_{r=1}^{2n} -r + \sum_{r=1}^n r \right] + \sum_{r=1}^{2n} 1 - \sum_{r=1}^n 1 \quad \triangleleft \text{ use the result from (a): } \sum_{r=1}^{2n} r^2 - \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{n}{6}(2n+1)(7n+1) \\
&= 4 \left[\frac{n}{6}(2n+1)(7n+1) \right] + 4 \left[-\frac{2n}{2}(1+2n) + \frac{n}{2}(1+n) \right] + 2n - n \\
&= \frac{2n}{3}(2n+1)(7n+1) + [-4n(1+2n) + 2n(1+n)] + 2n - n \\
&= \frac{2n}{3}(2n+1)(7n+1) + (-4n - 8n^2 + 2n + 2n^2) + n \\
&= \frac{2n}{3}(2n+1)(7n+1) + (-2n - 6n^2) + n \\
&= \frac{2n}{3}(2n+1)(7n+1) + 6n^2 - n \quad \triangleleft \text{ factor out } \frac{n}{3} \\
&= \frac{n}{3}[2(2n+1)(7n+1) - 18n - 3] \\
&= \frac{n}{3}[2(14n^2 + 9n + 1) - 18n - 3] \\
&= \frac{n}{3}(28n^2 - 1)
\end{aligned}$$

Solution

$$1^2 + 5^2 + 9^2 + 13^2 + \dots + 277^2 \quad \triangleleft \text{sum of first 70 terms}$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^{69} (1 + 4r)^2$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{r=1}^{69} (1 + 8r + 16r^2)$$

$$= 1 + 69 + 8 \sum_{r=1}^{69} r + 16 \sum_{r=1}^{69} r^2$$

$$= 70 + 8 \left[\frac{69(1+69)}{2} \right] + 16 \left[\frac{(69)(69+1)(2 \times 69+1)}{6} \right] \quad \triangleleft \text{use the results: } \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \text{ and } \sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}.$$

$$= 70 + 8 \left[\frac{69(70)}{2} \right] + 16 \left[\frac{(69)(70)(139)}{6} \right]$$

$$= 1809710$$

Learning point:

$$1^2 + 5^2 + 9^2 + 13^2 + \dots$$

From the observation, the base of the terms in the series is arithmetic progression,

i.e. 1 5 9 13

\therefore the general term can be $u_r = 1 + 4r$, where $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ or $u_r = 4r - 3$, where $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

To obtain the 70th term, substitute $r = 69$ into $u_r = 1 + 4r$. $\therefore u_{69} = 277$.

Alternatively, substitute $r = 70$ into $u_r = 4r - 3$. $\therefore u_{70} = 277$.

Alternative Method

$$1^2 + 5^2 + 9^2 + 13^2 + \dots + 277^2$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{70} (4r - 3)^2$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{70} (16r^2 - 24r + 9)$$

$$= 16 \sum_{r=1}^{70} r^2 - 24 \sum_{r=1}^{70} r + \sum_{r=1}^{70} 9$$

$$= 16 \left[\frac{1}{6} (70)(70+1)(2 \times 70+1) \right] - 24 \left[\frac{1}{2} (1+70) \right] + 9 \times 70$$

$$= 1809710$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(a)} \quad & \sum_{r=1}^n (3r-1)^2 \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^n (9r^2 - 6r + 1) \\
&= 9 \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 - 6 \sum_{r=1}^n r + \sum_{r=1}^n 1 \\
&= 9 \left(\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \right) - 6 \left(\frac{n}{2}(1+n) \right) + n \\
&= \frac{3}{2} n(n+1)(2n+1) - 3n(1+n) + n \\
&= 3n(n+1) \left[\frac{2n+1}{2} - 1 \right] + n \\
&= 3n(n+1) \left[\frac{2n+1-2}{2} \right] + n \\
&= \frac{3}{2} n(n+1)(2n-1) + n \\
&\therefore p = \frac{3}{2}, q = 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(b)} \quad & 2^2 + 3^3 + 5^2 + 6^3 + 8^2 + 9^3 + \dots + 56^2 + 57^3 + 59^2 + 60^3 \\
&= (2^2 + 5^2 + 8^2 + \dots + 56^2 + 59^2) + (3^3 + 6^3 + 9^3 + \dots + 57^3 + 60^3) \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r-1)^2 + \sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r)^3 \quad \triangleleft \text{use the result in (a): } \sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r-1)^2 = \frac{3}{2} n(n+1)(2n-1) + n, \text{ and replace } n = 20 \\
&= \frac{3}{2} (20)(20+1)(2 \times 20 - 1) + 3^3 \sum_{r=1}^{20} r^3 \quad \triangleleft \text{use the result: } \sum_{r=1}^n r^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4} \\
&= \frac{3}{2} (20)(20+1)(2 \times 20 - 1) + 20 + 27 \left(\frac{(20)^2(20+1)^2}{4} \right) \\
&= 1215290
\end{aligned}$$

Solution

(a) Let r th term $= 2a^r + br^2$ (1)

Given the first term is 28, i.e. 1st term = 28

Substitute $r = 1$ into (1).

$$\therefore 2a^1 + b(1)^2 = 8$$

$$2a + b = 8$$

Given the second term is 28, i.e. 2nd term = 26

Substitute $r = 2$ into (1).

$$\therefore 2a^2 + b(2)^2 = 26$$

$$2a^2 + 4b = 26$$

Using GC to solving (1) and (2) simultaneously.

$a = 3$ or 1 (Rejected, since $a > 2$)

Substituting $r = 2$ into $2a + b = 8$.

$$\therefore b = 2.$$

Hence $a = 3$ and $b = 2$.

(b) Sum of the first $2n$ terms

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{2n} u_r$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{2n} [2(3)^r + 2r^2]$$

$$= 2 \sum_{r=1}^{2n} 3^r + \sum_{r=1}^{2n} 2r^2$$

$$= 2[(3)^1 + (3)^2 + (3)^3 + \dots + (3)^{2n}] + 2 \sum_{r=1}^{2n} r^2$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{3(3^{2n} - 1)}{3 - 1} \right] + \frac{2(2n)}{6} (2n + 1)(2 \times 2n + 1)$$

$$= 3(3^{2n} - 1) + \frac{2n}{3} (2n + 1)(4n + 1)$$

Exercise 6

C Ratio Test

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Solution

$$\text{Let } a_n = \frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{(2n)!}. \quad \therefore a_{n+1} = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi^{2(n+1)}}{(2(n+1))!}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} &= \frac{\frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi^{2(n+1)}}{(2(n+1))!}}{\frac{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}}{(2n)!}} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \pi^{2n+2}}{(2n+2)!} \times \frac{(2n)!}{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^n (-1)^1 \pi^{2n} \pi^2}{(2n+2)!} \times \frac{(2n)!}{(-1)^n \pi^{2n}} \\ &= -\frac{(-1) \pi^2 (2n)!}{(2n+1)(2n+2)(2n)!} \\ &= -\frac{\pi^2}{(2n+1)(2n+2)} \end{aligned}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $(2n+1)(2n+2) \rightarrow \infty$. So, $\frac{\pi^2}{(2n+1)(2n+2)} \rightarrow 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi^2}{(2n+1)(2n+2)} = 0 < 1$$

Hence by ratio test, $\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r \pi^{2r}}{(2r)!}$ converges.

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r \pi^{2r}}{(2r)!} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^0 \pi^{2(0)}}{(2(0))!} + \frac{(-1)^1 \pi^{2(1)}}{(2(1))!} + \frac{(-1)^2 \pi^{2(2)}}{(2(2))!} + \dots \\ &= 1 - \frac{\pi^2}{2!} + \frac{\pi^4}{4!} + \dots \quad \triangleleft \text{refer to MF 27} \\ &= \cos \pi \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

The sum to infinity of this series is -1 .

$$(a) \quad \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r^2 - r - 1}{r!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n^2 - n - 1}{n!} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r-2}{(r-1)!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n-2}{(n-1)!} \right).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consider } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{\left(\frac{n-2}{(n-1)!} \right)}{\left(\frac{n^2 - n - 1}{n!} \right)} \right] &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{n-2}{(n-1)!} \times \frac{n!}{n^2 - n - 1} \right] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 - 2n}{n^2 - n - 1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{n-1}{n^2 - n - 1} \right) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r^2 - r - 1}{r!}$ is convergent, so $\sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r-2}{(r-1)!}$ is convergent by the Limit Comparison Test.

$$(b) \quad r^2 - r - 1 > r - 1, \quad \text{for } r \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$\frac{r-1}{r!} < \frac{r^2 - r - 1}{r!} \quad \text{for } r \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ and } r \geq 3$$

$$\sum_{r=3}^n \frac{r-1}{r!} < \sum_{r=3}^n \frac{r^2 - r - 1}{r!}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{r=3}^n \frac{r-1}{r!} < \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{r=3}^n \frac{r^2 - r - 1}{r!} \quad \triangleleft \text{add } \frac{1}{2} \text{ on both sides}$$

$$\text{Observe that } \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r-1}{r!} = \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{2}{3!} + \frac{3}{4!} + \frac{4}{5!} + \dots$$

$$\sum_{r=2}^n \frac{r-1}{r!} < \sum_{r=2}^n \frac{r^2 - r - 1}{r!}$$

$$\text{Also,} \quad 1 > r - 1 \quad \text{for } r \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$\frac{1}{r!} < \frac{r-1}{r!} \quad \text{for } r \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ and } r \geq 3$$

$$\sum_{r=3}^n \frac{1}{r!} < \sum_{r=3}^n \frac{r-1}{r!}$$

$$\frac{1}{2!} + \sum_{r=3}^n \frac{1}{r!} < \frac{1}{2!} + \sum_{r=3}^n \frac{r-1}{r!}$$

$$\sum_{r=2}^n \frac{1}{r!} < \sum_{r=2}^n \frac{r-1}{r!}$$

$$\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{r!} - \frac{1}{0!} - \frac{1}{1!} < \sum_{r=2}^n \frac{r-1}{r!}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore \quad & \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{r!} - \frac{1}{0!} - \frac{1}{1!} < \sum_{r=2}^n \frac{r-1}{r!} < \sum_{r=2}^n \frac{r^2-r-1}{r!} \\
\therefore \quad & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{r!} - \frac{1}{0!} - \frac{1}{1!} \right) < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{r=2}^n \frac{r-1}{r!} < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{r=2}^n \frac{r^2-r-1}{r!} \\
& e-2 < \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{2}{3!} + \frac{3}{4!} + \frac{4}{5!} + \dots < 2 \quad (\text{Shown})
\end{aligned}$$

Alternative Method

$$\begin{aligned}
e &= \frac{1}{0!} + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \frac{1}{5!} + \dots < \text{from MF 27} \\
e-2 &= \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \frac{1}{5!} + \dots \\
\sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r-1}{r!} &= \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{2}{3!} + \frac{3}{4!} + \frac{4}{5!} + \dots \\
\therefore e-2 &< \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r-1}{r!} \\
\sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r^2-r-1}{r!} &= 2 \quad (\text{using GC}) \\
\therefore \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r-1}{r!} &< \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r^2-r-1}{r!} \\
\frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \frac{1}{5!} + \dots &< \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{2}{3!} + \frac{3}{4!} + \frac{4}{5!} + \dots < \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r^2-r-1}{r!} \\
e-2 &< \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{2}{3!} + \frac{3}{4!} + \frac{4}{5!} + \dots < 2 \quad (\text{Shown})
\end{aligned}$$

6D Applications

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Solution

(a) First term of first row = 1

First term of second row = 1 + 1

First term of third row = 1 + 1 + 2

First term of fourth row = 1 + 1 + 2 + 3

From above observation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{First term of } n\text{th row} &= 1 + 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n-1) \\
 &= 1 + [1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n-1)] \\
 &= 1 + \frac{n-1}{2}(1 + (n-1)) \\
 &= 1 + \frac{1}{2}n(n-1) \quad (\text{Shown})
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Sum of the sum of all the elements n th row

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{n}{2}(2a + d(n-1)) \\
 &= \frac{n}{2} \left(2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}n(n-1) \right) + 1(n-1) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}n(n^2 + 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Given that the sum of all the integers in the n th row exceeds 10^5

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{1}{2}n(n^2 + 1) > 10^5$$

Using GC

Plot1	Plot2	Plot3
$\sqrt{Y_1} = \frac{x}{2}(x^2+1)$		
$\sqrt{Y_2} = 10^5$		
$\sqrt{Y_3} =$		
$\sqrt{Y_4} =$		
$\sqrt{Y_5} =$		
$\sqrt{Y_6} =$		
$\sqrt{Y_7} =$		
$\sqrt{Y_8} =$		

X	Y1	Y2
50	62525	100000
51	66351	100000
52	70330	100000
53	74465	100000
54	78759	100000
55	83215	100000
56	87836	100000
57	92625	100000
58	97585	100000
59	102719	100000
60	108030	100000

When $n = 58$, sum of elements = 97585

When $n = 59$, sum of elements = 102719

The least value of n is 59.

Solution

(a) Sum of numbers in r th row

$$= 1 + 2 + 3 \dots + r$$

$$= \frac{r}{2}(1 + r)$$

(b) Sum of all the numbers in n th storey

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{r(r+1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{r=1}^n (r^2 + r)$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} n(n+1)(2n+1) + \frac{1}{4} n(n+1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} n(n+1)(2n+1+3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} n(n+1)(n+2)$$

Solution

(a) Time taken for robot to complete 1st stage: $3 = 2 + 1 = 2(1) + 2^0$

Time taken for robot to complete 2nd stage: $2(2) + 2 = 2(2) + 2^1$

Time taken for robot to complete 3rd stage: $2(3) + 2 \times 2 = 2(3) + 2^2$

Time taken for robot to complete 4th stage: $2(4) + 2 \times 3 = 2(4) + 2^3$

Time taken for robot to complete N th stage: $2N + 2^{N-1}$

Total time taken

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{r=1}^N [2r + 2^{r-1}] \\
 &= \frac{(N)(2 + 2N)}{2} + \frac{2^N - 1}{2 - 1} \\
 &= 2^N + N^2 + N - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

The total time taken for robot to complete the N th stage is $2^N + N^2 + N - 1$.

(b) Total distance the robot covered from its original position, to the wall and returns to its original position = 140 m.

Total distance travelled at the end of 1st stage = 1

Total distance travelled at the end of 2nd stage = $1 + 2$

Total distance travelled at the end of 3rd stage = $1 + 2 + 3$

Total distance travelled at the end of N th stage = $1 + 2 + \dots + N$

If the robot arrives back at its original spot at the N th stage,

i.e. $1 + 2 + \dots + N \geq 140$

$$N \geq 16.2$$

$$\therefore N = 17$$

Total distance covered at the end of 16 stages

$$= 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 16$$

$$= \frac{16}{2}(1 + 16) \quad \triangleleft \text{sum of AP}$$

$$= 136 \text{ metres}$$

For the robot to arrive at the original position an additional 4 metres to be completed at the 17th stage.

Time taken to complete the first 16 stages

$$= (2^{16} + 16^2 + 16 - 1) \quad \triangleleft \text{substitute } n = 16 \text{ into } 2^N + N^2 + N - 1$$

$$= 65807 \text{ seconds}$$

Time taken for an additional 4 metres to be completed at the 17th stage

$$= 2(4)$$

$$= 8 \text{ seconds}$$

Time taken for robot to arrive at original position

$$= \text{Time taken to complete the first 16 stages} + \text{Time taken for an additional 4 metres}$$

$$= 65807 + 8$$

$$= 65815 \text{ seconds}$$

Solution

Given $u_{n+1} = u_n + 2n^2 - 5n$ (1)

Substitute $n = 0$ into (1)

$$u_1 = u_0$$

Substitute $n = 1$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= u_1 + 2(1)^2 - 5(1) \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } u_1 = u_0 \\ &= u_0 - 3 \end{aligned}$$

Substitute $n = 2$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} u_3 &= u_2 + 2(2)^2 - 5(2) \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } u_2 = u_1 + 2(1)^2 - 5(1) \\ &= u_1 + 2(1)^2 - 5(1) + 2(2)^2 - 5(2) \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } u_1 = u_0 \\ &= u_0 + 2(1^2 + 2^2) - 5(1 + 2) \\ &= u_0 - 5 \end{aligned}$$

Substitute $n = 3$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} u_4 &= u_3 + 2(3)^2 - 5(3) \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } u_3 = u_0 + 2(1^2 + 2^2) - 5(1 + 2) \\ &= [u_0 + 2(1^2 + 2^2) - 5(1 + 2)] + 2(3)^2 - 5(3) \\ &= u_0 + 2(1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2) - 5(1 + 2 + 3) \\ &= u_0 - 2 \end{aligned}$$

From the above observation,

$$\therefore u_n = u_0 + 2(1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + (n-1)^2) - 5(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n-1))$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= u_0 + 2 \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} r^2 - 5 \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} r \\ &= u_0 + 2 \left[\frac{1}{6} (n-1)n(2n-1) \right] - 5 \left[\frac{(n-1)}{2} (1+n-1) \right] \\ &= u_0 + \frac{n}{3} (n-1)n(2n-1) - \frac{5n(n-1)}{2} \\ &= u_0 + \frac{n(n-1)}{6} [2(2n-1) - 15] \\ &= u_0 + \frac{1}{6} n(n-1)(4n-17) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{6}$$

(b) Given that there are 10 cells at the start, i.e. $u_0 = 10$

$$u_n = 10 + \frac{1}{6}n(n-1)(4n-17)$$

For the number of cells to first exceed 2000,

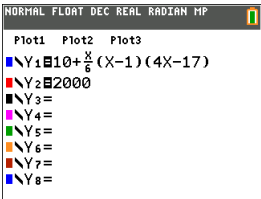
i.e.
$$u_n > 2000$$

$$10 + \frac{1}{6}n(n-1)(4n-17) > 2000$$

From GC, $u_{16} = 1890 < 2000$

$$u_{17} = 2322 > 2000$$

\therefore it takes 17 days for the number of bacteria to first exceed 2000.



TI-84 Plus calculator screen showing the table of values for the equation $Y_1 = 10 + \frac{X}{6} (X-1) (4X-17)$. The table shows the values of X and Y1 for X from 8 to 18. The value of Y1 first exceeds 2000 at X=17.

X	Y1	Y2			
8	150	2000			
9	238	2000			
10	355	2000			
11	505	2000			
12	692	2000			
13	920	2000			
14	1193	2000			
15	1515	2000			
16	1890	2000			
17	2322	2000			
18	2815	2000			

X=17

Exercise 6

E Mixed Exercise

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Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{10^{3r}} &= \frac{1}{10^3} + \frac{1}{10^6} + \frac{1}{10^9} + \dots \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{10^3}}{1 - \frac{1}{10^3}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{999}
 \end{aligned}$$

Express the infinite recurring decimal 0.108 in fraction gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{108}{1000} + \frac{108}{1000000} + \frac{108}{1000000000} + \dots \\
 &= 108 \left(\frac{1}{10^3} + \frac{1}{10^6} + \frac{1}{10^9} + \dots \right) \\
 &= 108 \left(\frac{\frac{1}{10^3}}{1 - \frac{1}{10^3}} \right) \quad \triangleleft \text{apply } S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} \\
 &= \frac{4}{37}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad \text{Common ratio, } r = \frac{b}{a}.$$

Given that the sum to infinity of the series is $a + 2b$,

$$\text{i.e. } S_{\infty} = a + 2b$$

$$\frac{a}{1-r} = a + 2b \quad \triangleleft \text{divide } a \text{ on both sides}$$

$$\frac{1}{1-r} = 1 + \frac{2b}{a}$$

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

$$1 = 1 + r - 2r^2$$

$$2r^2 - r = 0$$

$$r = 0 \left(\text{rejected } \frac{b}{a} \neq 0 \right) \text{ or } r = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{common ratio} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textbf{(b)} \quad G_n &= \frac{a \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^n \right)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} &< \text{use sum of GP formulae} \\
 &= 2a \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^n \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=1}^N G_n &= 2a \sum_{n=1}^N \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^n \right) &< \text{add sum from 1 to } N \\
 &= 2a \left[N - \sum_{n=1}^N \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^n \right] \\
 &= 2a \left[N - \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^N}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \right] \\
 &= 2a \left(N - \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^N \right) \right) \\
 &= 2aN - 2a \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^N \right) &< \text{replace } G_n = 2a \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^n \right) \text{ from } \textbf{(a)} \\
 &= 2aN - G_N \quad \text{(Shown)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution

(a)(i) Given $u_{n+1} = Au_n + Bn + C$

Also given $A = 1$ and $B = 0$

Substitute $A = 1$ and $B = 0$ into (1).

$$\therefore u_{n+1} = (1)u_n + (0)n + C$$

$u_{n+1} - u_n = C$, which implies the sequence is arithmetic progression.

$$\sum_{r=1}^{30} u_r = u_{11} + u_{11} + u_{11} + \dots + u_{30}$$

$$= \frac{20}{2}(u_{11} + u_{30}) \quad \text{< apply sum of AP formulae, } S_n = (a + l), \text{ where } a \text{ is the first term and } l \text{ is the last term}$$

$$= 10(4 + 10C + 4 + 29C)$$

$$= 80 + 390C$$

Learning point:

Given that $u_1 = 4$,

Since the sequence is AP, so $u_2 = 4 + C$, $u_3 = 4 + 2C$, $u_4 = 4 + 3C$ and so on.

$$\therefore u_{11} = 4 + 10C \text{ and } u_{30} = 4 + 29C$$

(ii) If the sequence is a geometric progression, then recurrence relation of GP is $u_{n+1} = Au_n$, for all positive values of n .

$$\therefore B = 0, C = 0$$

$$\text{Given } u_{20} > 2000$$

$$u_1(A)^{19} > 2000$$

$$4(A)^{19} > 2000$$

$$A > 500^{\frac{1}{19}}$$

$$\therefore A > 1.39$$

Learning point:

Since the sequence is a geometric progression, then recurrence relation of GP

$$\text{is } u_{n+1} = Au_n$$

Given that $u_1 = 4$, then $u_2 = Au_1$. < substitute $n = 1$

$$\text{For } u_3 = Au_2$$

$$u_3 = A(Au_1)$$

$$u_3 = A^2u_1$$

$$\therefore \text{ for } u_{20} = A^{19}u_1$$

(b) Given $u_{n+1} = Au_n + Bn + C$ (1)

When $u_2 = 16$, substitute $n = 1$ and $u_2 = 16$ into (1).

$$u_2 = Au_1 + B(1) + C, \text{ where } u_1 = 4$$

$$16 = 4A + B + C \text{ (2)}$$

When $u_3 = 70$, substitute $n = 2$ and $u_3 = 70$ into (1).

$$u_3 = Au_2 + B(2) + C, \text{ where } u_2 = 16$$

$$70 = 16A + 2B + C \text{ (3)}$$

When $u_4 = 334$, substitute $n = 3$ and $u_4 = 334$ into (1).

$$u_4 = Au_3 + B(3) + C, \text{ where } u_3 = 70$$

$$334 = 70A + 3B + C \text{ (4)}$$

From GC, $A = 5, B = -6, C = 2$

$$\therefore u_n = 5u_n - 6n + 2 \text{ (5)}$$

Substitute $n = 5$ into (5).

$$u_5 = 5u_4 - 6(4) + 2, \text{ where } u_4 = 334$$

$$u_5 = 5(334) - 6(4) + 2$$

$$\therefore u_5 = 1648$$

Solution**(a)** Sum of first k terms

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

Sum of the last k terms

$$\begin{aligned} &= S_n - S_{n-k} \\ &= \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d] - \frac{n-k}{2} [2a + (n-k-1)d] \\ &= \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d] - \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-k-1)d] + \frac{k}{2} [2a + (n-k-1)d] \\ &= \frac{n}{2} [kd] + \frac{k}{2} [2a(n-k-1)d] \end{aligned}$$

Difference between the sums

= Sum of the last k terms – Sum of the first k terms

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{n}{2} [kd] + \frac{k}{2} [2a + (n-k-1)d] - \frac{k}{2} [2a + (k-1)d] \\ &= \frac{n}{2} [kd] + \frac{k}{2} [2a + (n-k-1)d - (2a + (k-1)d)] \\ &= \frac{n}{2} [kd] + \frac{k}{2} [d(n-k-1-k+1)] = \frac{n}{2} [kd] + \frac{k}{2} [d((n-2k))] \\ &= kd[n-k] \quad (\text{Shown}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) Given } u_r &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{3r-2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{3r-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{3r} \left[\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-1} \right] \quad \triangleleft \text{factor out } \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{3r} \\ &= 12 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{3r} \end{aligned}$$

Taking sum both sides from 1 to n

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{r=1}^n u_r &= \sum_{r=1}^n 12 \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3r} \\
 &= 12 \sum_{r=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3r} \\
 &= 12 \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^6 + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3n} \right] \quad \triangleleft \text{sum of geometric progression, where first term} = \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^3, \text{ ratio} = \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^3 \text{ and no. of terms} = 3n \\
 &= 12 \left[\frac{\left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^3 \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3n} \right)}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^3} \right] \\
 &= \frac{6}{13} \left(1 - \frac{1}{27^n} \right), \text{ where } A = \frac{6}{13} \text{ and } B = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{27^n} \rightarrow 0$.

$$\therefore \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} u_r = \frac{6}{13}$$

The sum to infinity of the series is $\frac{6}{13}$.

Alternative Method

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_r &= \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3r-2} + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3r-1} \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3r-1} \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{-1} + 1 \right] \\
 &= 4 \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3r-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking sum both sides from 1 to n

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{r=1}^n u_r &= \sum_{r=1}^n 4 \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3r-1} \\ &= 4 \sum_{r=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3r-1} \\ &= 4 \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^5 + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3n-1} \right] \\ &= 4 \left[\frac{\left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^2 \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{3n} \right)}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^3} \right] \\ &= \frac{6}{13} \left(1 - \frac{1}{27^n} \right), \text{ where } A = \frac{6}{13} \text{ and } B = 1\end{aligned}$$

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Solution

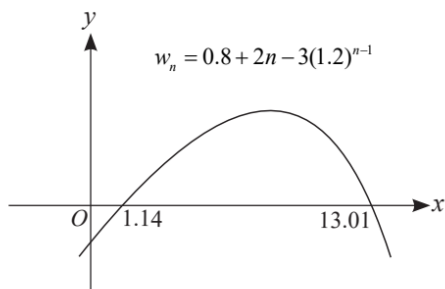
- (a) Given that the arithmetic sequence $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, \dots$ has first term 2.8 and common difference 2,
 \therefore the general term, $u_n = 2.8 + (n-1)2$ (1)

Also given that the geometric sequence $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, \dots$ has first term 3 and common ratio 1.2,
 \therefore the general term, $v_n = 3(1.2)^{n-1}$ (2)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Given } w_n &= u_n - v_n &< \text{ substitute (1) and (2)} \\ &= 2.8 + 2(n-1) - 3(1.2)^{n-1} \\ &= 0.8 + 2n - 3(1.2)^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore w_n = 0.8 + 2n - 3(1.2)^{n-1}$$

- (b) Use GC to graph $w_n = 0.8 + 2n - 3(1.2)^{n-1}$.



From the graph, for $w_n > 0$ when $1.14 < n < 13.01$

\therefore the set of values of n is $\{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : 2 \leq n \leq 13\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c) } \sum_{n=2}^{13} w_n &= \sum_{n=2}^{13} (0.8 + 2n - 3(1.2)^{n-1}) \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{13} (0.8) + \sum_{n=2}^{13} 2n - \sum_{n=2}^{13} (3(1.2)^{n-1}) \\ &= 0.8(12) + \frac{12}{2}[4 + 26] - \frac{3(1.2)(1 - (1.2)^{12})}{1 - 1.2} \\ &= 207.6 - 18(1.2)^{12} \end{aligned}$$

The sum of all terms w_n is $207.6 - 18(1.2)^{12}$.

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) (i)} \quad \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(x+3)^r}{4^{r+1}} &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{r=0}^n \left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^r \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^0 + \left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^1 + \dots + \left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^n \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1 - \left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^{n+1}}{1 - \frac{x+3}{4}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1 - \left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^{n+1}}{\frac{1-x}{4}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{1-x} \left[1 - \left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^{n+1} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(ii)} \quad \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(x+3)^r}{4^{r+1}} = \frac{1}{4} \left[\left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^0 + \left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^1 + \dots + \left(\frac{x+3}{4} \right)^n \right]$$

The above series is a geometric, with common ratio, $r = \frac{x+3}{4}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{When } x = -5, \quad r &= \frac{-5+3}{4} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

For geometric series to be convergence, $|r| < 1$.

Since $|r| = \frac{1}{2} < 1$, hence, the series $\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(x+3)^r}{4^{r+1}}$ converges.

Take the sum from 0 to infinity,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-5+3)^r}{4^{r+1}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 - (-5)} \left[1 - \left(\frac{-5+3}{4} \right)^{n+1} \right] \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{6} \left[1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n+1} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

The limiting value is $\frac{1}{6}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(b) (i) Given } & \sum_{r=6}^{2k} r(3r-2) \\
&= \sum_{r=6}^{2k} (3r^2 - 2r) \\
&= \sum_{r=6}^{2k} 3r^2 - \sum_{r=6}^{2k} 2r \\
&= 3 \left[\sum_{r=1}^{2k} r^2 - \sum_{r=1}^5 r^2 \right] - 2 \sum_{r=6}^{2k} r \quad \triangleleft \text{ use } \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{n}{6}(n+1)(2n+1) \\
&= 3 \left[\frac{2k}{6}(2k+1)(4k+1) - \frac{5}{6}(6)(11) \right] - 2 \left(\frac{2k-6+1}{2}(6+2k) \right) \\
&= k(2k+1)(4k+1) - 165 - 2(2k-5)(3+k) \\
&= k(2k+1)(4k+1) - 2(2k-5)(k+3) - 165
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(ii) } \sum_{r=10}^{r=66} (r-4)(3r-14) &= \sum_{r+4=10}^{r+4=66} ((r+4)-4)(3(r+4)-14) \quad \triangleleft \text{ replace } r \text{ with } r+4 \\
&= \sum_{r=6}^{r=62} r(3r-2)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{From (b)(i), } \sum_{r=6}^{2k} r(3r-2) = k(2k+1)(4k+1) - 2(2k-5)(k+3) - 165$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{When } k=31, \quad & \sum_{r=10}^{66} (r-4)(3r-14) \\
&= \sum_{r=6}^{r=62} r(3r-2) \\
&= 31(2(31)+1)(4(31)+1) - 2(2(31)-5)((31)+3) - 165 \\
&= 240084
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{r=10}^{66} (r-4)(3r-14) = 240084$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(a)} \quad & \sum_{r=2}^n \ln \left(\frac{(r-1)e^{r^3-1}}{r} \right) \\
&= \ln \left(\frac{e^{2^3-1}}{2} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{2e^{3^3-1}}{3} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{3e^{4^3-1}}{4} \right) + \dots + \ln \left(\frac{(n-2)e^{(n-1)^3-1}}{n-1} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{(n-1)e^{n^3-1}}{n} \right) \\
&= \ln \left[\left(\frac{e^{2^3-1}}{2} \right) \times \left(\frac{2e^{3^3-1}}{3} \right) \times \left(\frac{3e^{4^3-1}}{4} \right) \times \dots \times \left(\frac{(n-2)e^{(n-1)^3-1}}{n-1} \right) \times \left(\frac{(n-1)e^{n^3-1}}{n} \right) \right] \\
&= \ln \left[e^{2^3-1} \times e^{3^3-1} \times e^{4^3-1} \times \dots \times e^{(n-1)^3-1} \times \frac{e^{n^3-1}}{n} \right] \\
&= \ln e^{(2^3-1)+(3^3-1)+(4^3-1)+\dots+(n^3-1)} - \ln n \\
&= (2^3-1) + (3^3-1) + (4^3-1) + \dots + (n^3-1) - \ln n \\
&= \sum_{r=2}^n (r^3-1) - \ln n \\
&= \sum_{r=2}^n r^3 + \sum_{r=2}^n (-1) - \ln n \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^n r^3 - 1 - \sum_{r=2}^n (1) - \ln n \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{2}n(n+1) \right)^2 - 1 - (n-2+1) - \ln n \\
&= -\ln n + \frac{1}{4}n^2(n+1)^2 - n
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(b)} \quad & v_n = k^{\ln(u_n)-n^3} \\
w_n &= v_2 \times v_3 \times v_4 \times \dots \times v_n \\
&= k^{\ln(u_2)-2^3} \times k^{\ln(u_3)-3^3} \times k^{\ln(u_4)-4^3} \times \dots \times k^{\ln(u_n)-n^3} \\
&= k^{\ln(u_2)+\ln(u_3)+\dots+\ln(u_n)-(2^3+3^3+\dots+n^3)} \\
&= k^{\sum_{r=2}^n \ln(u_r) - \sum_{r=2}^n r^3} \\
&= k^{-\ln n + \frac{1}{4}n^2(n+1)^2 - n - \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{2}n(n+1) \right)^2 - 1 \right\}} \\
&= k^{-\ln n + \frac{1}{4}n^2(n+1)^2 - n - \frac{1}{4}n^2(n+1)^2 + 1} \\
&= k^{-\ln n - n + 1}
\end{aligned}$$

(c) $w_n = k^{-\ln n - n + 1}$

$$= \frac{k}{k^{\ln n + n}}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{k^{\ln n + n}} \rightarrow 0$, thus $w_n \rightarrow 0$.

Therefore the sequence w_n is convergent.

Solution

(a) Given that the sum of the first three terms of the sequence is 17,

i.e. $u_1 + u_2 + u_3 = 17$ (1)

Also given $\sum_{r=1}^3 S_r = 30$,

i.e. $S_1 + S_2 + S_3 = 30$

$u_1 + (u_1 + u_2) + (u_1 + u_2 + u_3) = 30$

$3u_1 + 2u_2 + u_3 = 30$ (2)

The third term of the sequence is twice the first term of the sequence.

i.e. $u_3 = 2u_1$

$2u_1 - u_3 = 0$(3)

Use GC to solve (1), (2) and (3).

The first 3 terms of sequence are $u_1 = 4$, $u_2 = 5$ and $u_3 = 8$.

(b) After subtracting k , the three terms are consecutive terms of a GP

i.e. $r = \frac{8-k}{5-k} = \frac{5-k}{4-k}$

$32 - 12k + k^2 = 25 - 10k + k^2$

$k = 3.5$

Substitute $k = 3.5$ into $r = \frac{8-k}{5-k}$.

$\therefore r = \frac{8-3.5}{5-3.5} = 3$ (since $r > 1$).

The value of $k = 3.5$ and the common ratio = 3.

Solution

(a) Given $A_1 = 400$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle OPR = 400 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) = 100$$

$$A_2 = 2 \times \text{area of } \triangle OPR = 2 \times 100 = 200$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle STR = 200 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) = 50$$

$$A_3 = 2 \times \text{Area of } \triangle STR = 2 \times 50 = 100$$

Hence $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots = 400, 200, 100, \dots$

$$\frac{A_2}{A_1} = \frac{A_3}{A_2} = \dots = \frac{1}{2}$$

The sequence A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots is a geometric sequence.

$$A_n = 400 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n-1}, \text{ where } k = \frac{1}{2} \quad \triangleleft \text{ use general term of geometric sequence, where first term} = 400 \text{ and ratio} = 0.5$$

(b) $\ln A_1 + \ln A_2 + \ln A_3 + \dots + \ln A_N$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^N \ln A_n$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^N \ln \left(400 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n-1} \right)$$

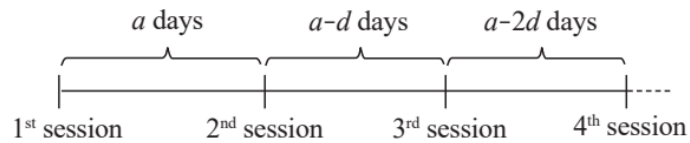
$$= \sum_{n=1}^N \left[\ln 400 + (n-1) \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$= N \ln 400 + \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{n=1}^N (n-1)$$

$$= N \ln 400 + \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{N}{2} (0 + N - 1) \right)$$

$$= N \ln 400 + \frac{N(N-1)}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right), \text{ where } A = N \text{ and } B = \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$$

(a)



Let S_n be the total number of days to complete the 9 shooting sessions.

The 1st shooting session is already attempted on the Day 1, therefore the remaining 8 shooting session must be completed less than 90 days,

i.e. $S_8 < 90$ \triangleleft total number of days to complete 9 shooting sessions

$$\frac{8}{2}(2a + (8-1)(-d)) < 90$$

$$8a - 28d < 90$$

$$a < 11.5 + 3.5d \text{ (1)}$$

Let T_n be the duration (days) between consecutive two shooting sessions.

$$T_8 > 0$$

$$a + (8-1)(-d) > 0$$

$$a > 7d \text{ (2)}$$

For the last shooting session to be close to the completion date as possible, a and S_8 must be as large as possible.

By trial and error,

If $d = 1$,

From (1): $a < 14.75$. $\therefore a = 14$.

From (2): $a > 7$ and $S_8 = 84$.

If $d = 2$,

From (1): $a < 18.25$. $\therefore a = 18$.

From (2): $a > 14$ and $S_8 = 88$.

Therefore $d = 2$, $a = 18$.

(b) 92 is the highest (theoretical) point that he will get even if he practise many many times.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(c)} \quad m &= \frac{1}{9} \sum_{n=1}^9 u_n \\
&= \frac{1}{9} \sum_{n=1}^9 (92 - 65(b^n)) \\
&= \frac{1}{9} \left(92(9) - 65 \sum_{n=1}^9 b^n \right) \\
&= 92 - \frac{65}{9} (b^1 + b^2 + b^3 + \dots + b^9) \\
&= 92 - \frac{65}{9} \left(\frac{b(1-b^9)}{1-b} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

The average mark for the nine training sessions is $m = 92 - \frac{65}{9} \left(\frac{b(1-b^9)}{1-b} \right)$.

(d) As he scored higher than m from his 4th session onwards,
average point for the 9 sessions $< u_4$

$$\begin{aligned}
92 - \frac{65}{9} \left(\frac{b(1-b^9)}{1-b} \right) &< 92 - 65(b^4) \\
1 - b^9 &> 9b^3(1-b) \\
b^9 - 9b^4 + 6b^3 - 1 &< 0
\end{aligned}$$

From GC, $0 < b < 0.726$

\therefore the range of values of b is $0 < b < 0.726$.

Solution

- (a) Number of seats form an AP with 1st term 21, common difference 2 and number of rows = 20.

Total number of seats installed in the concert hall

$$= \frac{20}{2} [2(21) + (20-1)(2)]$$

$$= 800$$

There are 800 seats to be installed in the hall.

- (b) From (a), there are 800 seats to be installed in the concert hall.

Given that each order allows multiples of 50 seats,

$$\therefore 800 \div 50 = 16 \text{ sets of 50 seats can be ordered.}$$

Cost of one seat in the set of 50 seats from Supplier A

Cost of one seat in the 1st set of 50 seats = 90

Cost of one seat in the 2nd set of 50 seats = $0.9(90)$

Cost of one seat in the 3rd set of 50 seats = $0.9^2(90)$

\therefore cost of one seat in the n th set of 50 seats = $0.9^{n-1}(90)$ \triangleleft GP progression

$$90(0.9)^{n-1} \geq 40$$

$$n-1 \leq 7.6967$$

$$n \leq 8.6967$$

$$\therefore n = 1, 2, \dots, 8$$

Total cost of ordering the seats from Supplier A

= (Number of seats) \times (Cost of one seat in the 1st set of 50 seats + Cost of one seat in the 2nd set of 50 seats + ...
+ Cost of one seat in the 8th set of 50 seats + Cost of remaining 8 rows at \$40 per seat)

$$= \$50[90 + 90(0.9) + 90(0.9)^2 + \dots + 90(0.9)^7 + 40(8)]$$

$$= \$4500 \left[\frac{1-0.9^8}{1-0.9} \right] + 16000$$

$$= \$41628.98 \text{ (nearest cent)}$$

Cost of one seat in the set of 50 seats from Supplier B

Cost of one seat in the 1st set of 50 seats = 90

Cost of one seat in the 2nd set of 50 seats = $90 + (-7)$

Cost of one seat in the 3rd set of 50 seats = $90 + 2(-7)$

Cost of one seat in the n th set of 50 seats = $90 + (n-1)(-7)$ \triangleleft AP progression

$$90 + (n-1)(-7) \geq 40$$

$$n \leq 8$$

$$\therefore n = 1, 2, \dots, 8$$

Total cost of ordering the seats from Supplier B

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (\text{Number of seats}) \times (\text{Cost of one seat in the 1st set of 50 seats} + \text{Cost of one seat in the 2nd set of 50 seats} + \dots \\
 &\quad + \text{Cost of one seat in the 8th set of 50 seats} + \text{Cost of remaining 8 rows at \$40 per seat}) \\
 &= \$50 \left[\frac{8}{2} [2(90) + (8-1)(-7)] + 40(8) \right] \\
 &= \$42200
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $41628.98 < 42200$, the management should order the chairs from Supplier A.

(c) Total value of the discount coupons issued to the first $(100 + n)$ audiences

= Discount for first 100 audiences + Discount for n audiences

$$= 10(100) + 0.1(1)^2 + 0.1(2)^2 + \dots + 0.1(n)^2$$

$$= 1000 + 0.1[(1)^2 + (2)^2 + \dots + (n)^2]$$

$$= 1000 + 0.1 \sum_{r=1}^n r^2$$

$$= 1000 + 0.1 \left[\frac{n(2n+1)(n+1)}{6} \right]$$

$$= 1000 + \frac{n(2n+1)(n+1)}{60}$$

(d) Given that the management sets aside a total of \$3000 for the discount coupons,

i.e. total value of the discount coupons ≤ 3000

$$1000 + \frac{n(2n+1)(n+1)}{60} \leq 3000$$

Plot1	Plot2	Plot3
$\text{Y}_1 = 1000 + \frac{X(2X+1)(X+1)}{60}$		
$\text{Y}_2 = 3000$		
$\text{Y}_3 =$		
$\text{Y}_4 =$		
$\text{Y}_5 =$		
$\text{Y}_6 =$		
$\text{Y}_7 =$		
$\text{Y}_8 =$		

X	Y ₁	Y ₂			
32	2144	3000			
33	2252.9	3000			
34	2368.5	3000			
35	2491	3000			
36	2620.6	3000			
37	2757.5	3000			
38	2901.9	3000			
39	3054	3000			
40	3214	3000			
41	3382.1	3000			
42	3558.5	3000			
X=38					

From GC, the maximum value of $n = 38$

The maximum number of audiences who will receive a coupon is 38.

Exercise 6

F Higher Order Questions

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Solution

Regrouping the series $2 + 3 + 4 + 6 + 8 + 9 + 16 + 12 + 32 + 15 + 64 + 18 + 128 + 21 + 256 + \dots$

$$= (2 + 4 + 8 + 16 + \dots \text{nth term}) + (3 + 6 + 9 + \dots \text{nth term})$$

$$= (2 + 4 + 8 + 16 + \dots + 2^n) + (3 + 6 + 9 + \dots + 2n)$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n 2^r + \sum_{r=1}^n 3r$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n (2^r + 3r)$$

$$\therefore a = 3 \text{ and } b = 2$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{2n} 3r + 2^r$$

$$= 3 \sum_{r=1}^n r + \sum_{r=1}^n 2^r$$

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

$$= 3n(2n+1) + 2(2^{2n}-1)$$

Solution

(a) Given $n < M + 1$, where n and M are positive integers

$$\therefore 0 < M + 1 - n$$

$$\text{If } n = 1, u_1 = \frac{3}{M}$$

$$\text{If } n = 2, u_2 = \frac{3}{M-1}$$

$$\text{If } n = 3, u_3 = \frac{3}{M-2}$$

$$\text{When } n \rightarrow \infty, \frac{3}{M-n+1} \rightarrow 3$$

The sequence is increasing from $\frac{3}{M}$ to 3.

$$(b) S_1 = u_1 = \frac{3}{M-1+1} = \frac{3}{M}$$

$$S_2 = u_1 + u_2 = \frac{3}{M} + \frac{3}{M-2+1} = \frac{3}{M} + \frac{3}{M-1}$$

$$S_3 = u_1 + u_2 + u_3 = \frac{3}{M} + \frac{3}{M-1} + \frac{3}{M-2}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^M S_n$$

$$= S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + \dots + S_M$$

$$= (u_1) + (u_1 + u_2) + (u_1 + u_2 + u_3) + \dots + (u_1 + \dots + u_M)$$

$$= Mu_1 + (M-1)u_2 + (M-2)u_3 + \dots + u_M$$

$$= M\left(\frac{3}{M}\right) + (M-1)\left(\frac{3}{M-1}\right) + (M-2)\left(\frac{3}{M-2}\right) + \dots + 3$$

$$= 3 + 3 + 3 + \dots + 3$$

$$= 3M$$

(c) $S_n = u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_n$

$$= \frac{3}{M} + \frac{3}{M-1} + \dots + \frac{3}{M-n+1}$$

$$\text{Sum of } \frac{3}{M} + \frac{3}{M} + \dots + \frac{3}{M} + \dots (n \text{ terms}) = \frac{3n}{M}$$

$$\therefore \frac{3}{M} + \frac{3}{M-1} + \dots + \frac{3}{M-n+1} > \frac{3}{M} + \frac{3}{M} + \dots + \frac{3}{M} + \dots (n \text{ terms})$$

$$S_n > \frac{3n}{M} \quad (\text{Shown})$$

Solution

(a) Given $a_{n+1} = a_n + ka_{n-1}$

When $n = 1$, $a_2 = a_1 + ka_0$ (1)

Substitute $a_0 = 2$, $a_1 = 7$ and $a_2 = 11$ into (1)

$$11 = 7 + k(2)$$

$$k = 2$$

$$\therefore k = 2$$

(b) Given $a_n = A(2^n) + B(-1)^n + C$ (2)

Substitute $n = 0$ into (2)

$$a_0 = A(2^0) + B(-1)^0 + C \quad \triangleleft a_0 = 2 \text{ from (a)}$$

$$2 = A + B + C \text{ (3)}$$

Substitute $n = 1$ into (2)

$$a_1 = A(2^1) + B(-1)^1 + C \quad \triangleleft a_1 = 7 \text{ from (a)}$$

$$7 = 2A - B + C \text{ (4)}$$

Substitute $n = 2$ into (2)

$$a_2 = A(2^2) + B(-1)^2 + C \quad \triangleleft a_2 = 11 \text{ from (a)}$$

$$11 = 4A + B + C \text{ (5)}$$

Using GC to solve (3), (4) and (5).

$$\therefore A = 3, B = -1, C = 0$$

(c) $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n a_r$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n [3(2^r) - (-1)^r]$$

$$= 3 \sum_{r=1}^n (2^r) - \sum_{r=1}^n (-1)^r$$

When n is odd,

$$= 3 \left[\frac{2(2^n - 1)}{2 - 1} \right] - (-1)$$

$$= 6(2^n - 1) + 1$$

$$= 6(2^n) - 5$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{r=1}^n a_r \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^n [3(2^r) - 1(-1)^r] \\
&= 3 \sum_{r=1}^n (2^r) - \sum_{r=1}^n (-1)^r
\end{aligned}$$

When n is even,

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 3 \left[\frac{2(2^n - 1)}{2 - 1} \right] \\
&= 6(2^n - 1)
\end{aligned}$$

Solution

(a) Given $u_{n+1} = 0.1u_n + k$ (1)

Substituting $n = 1$ and $u_1 = -3$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= 0.1(u_1) + k \\ &= 0.1(-3) + k \\ &= k - 0.3 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $n = 2$ and $u_2 = k - 0.3$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} u_3 &= 0.1u_2 + k \\ &= 0.1(k - 0.3) + k \\ &= 1.1k - 0.03 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Given $u_n = l + m\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^n$ (2)

Substituting $n = 1$ into (2)

$$\begin{aligned} -3 &= l + m\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^1 \\ -3 &= l + 0.1m \text{ (3)} \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $n = 2$ into (2)

$$\begin{aligned} k - 0.3 &= l + m\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^2 \\ k - 0.3 &= l + 0.01m \text{ (4)} \end{aligned}$$

Take (3) – (4):

$$\begin{aligned} -3 - (k - 0.3) &= (l + 0.1m) - (l + 0.01m) \\ -2.7 - k &= 0.09m \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \frac{100}{9}(-2.7 - k) \\ &= -\frac{100}{9}k - 30 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore m = -\frac{100}{9}k - 30$ (5) (Shown)

Substituting $m = -\frac{100}{9}k - 30$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} -3 &= \beta + \frac{1}{10}\left(-\frac{100}{9}k - 30\right) \\ -3 &= \beta - \frac{10}{9}k - 3 \\ \beta &= \frac{10}{9}k \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \beta = \frac{10}{9}k$ (6)

(c) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{10}{9}k + m \left(\frac{1}{10} \right)^n \right)$$

$$= \frac{10}{9}k$$

When n becomes large, the value of u_n is $\frac{10}{9}k$.

(d) Given that $k = 9$, substituting $k = 9$ into (5) and (6)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (5): } m &= -\frac{100}{9}(9) - 30 \\ &= -130 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (6): } l &= \frac{10}{9}(9) \\ l &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore u_n = 10 - 130 \left(\frac{1}{10} \right)^n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^N u_n &= \sum_{n=1}^N \left[10 - 130 \left(\frac{1}{10} \right)^n \right] \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^N 10 - 130 \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{10} \right)^n \\ &= 10N - (130) \frac{\frac{1}{10} \left(1 - \frac{1}{10^N} \right)}{1 - \frac{1}{10}} \\ &= 10N - \frac{130}{9} \left(1 - \frac{1}{10^N} \right) \\ &= 10N - \frac{130}{9} + \frac{130}{9(10^N)} \\ \therefore \sum_{n=1}^N u_n &= 10N - \frac{130}{9} + \frac{130}{9(10^N)} \end{aligned}$$

Solution

(a) From $A_k = A_{k-1} + 360k^2$ (1)

Substitute $k = 1$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= A_0 + 360(1)^2 \\ &= A_0 + 360 \end{aligned}$$

Substitute $k = 2$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} A_2 &= A_1 + 360(2)^2 \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } A_1 = A_0 + 360 \\ &= [A_0 + 360(1)^2] + 360(2)^2 \\ &= A_0 + 1800 \end{aligned}$$

Substitute $k = 3$ into (1)

$$\begin{aligned} A_3 &= A_2 + 360(3)^2 \quad \triangleleft \text{replace } A_2 = A_0 + 360(1)^2 + 360(2)^2 \\ &= [A_0 + 360(1)^2 + 360(2)^2] + 360(3)^2 \\ &= A_0 + 360(1)^2 + 360(2)^2 + 360(3)^2 \\ &= A_0 + 5040 \end{aligned}$$

From the above observation,

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= A_0 + 360(1)^2 + 360(2)^2 + 360(3)^2 + \dots + 360(n)^2 \\ &= A_0 + 360[(1)^2 + (2)^2 + (3)^2 + \dots + (n)^2] \\ &= A_0 + 360\left[\sum_{r=1}^n r^2\right] \\ &= A_0 + 360\left[\frac{n}{6}(n+1)(2n+1)\right] \\ &= A_0 + 60n[2n^2 + 3n + 1] \\ &= A_0 + 120n^3 + 180n^2 + 60n \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a = 120, b = 180, c = 60$$

(b) $P(n) - P(n-1) < 0$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{2n} (450 - nr) - \sum_{r=1}^{2(n-1)} [450 - (n-1)r] < 0$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{2n} 450 - n \sum_{r=1}^{2n} r - \sum_{r=1}^{2n-2} 450 + (n-1) \sum_{r=1}^{2n-2} r < 0$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{2n} 450 - \sum_{r=1}^{2n-2} 450 - n \sum_{r=1}^{2n} r + (n-1) \sum_{r=1}^{2n-2} r < 0$$

$$2(450) - n \left[\frac{2n}{2}(1+2n) \right] + (n-1) \left[\frac{2n-2}{2}(1+2n-2) \right] < 0$$

$$900 - n^2(1+2n) + (n-1)^2(2n-1) < 0$$

$$899 - 6n^2 + 4n < 0$$

Using G.C,

$$n > 12.6 \text{ or } n < -11.9 \text{ (rejected since } n > 0)$$

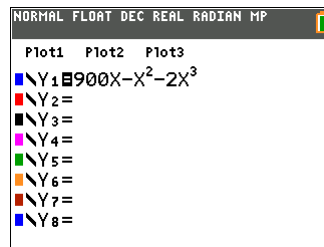
Hence, it will take 13 days for the level of bacteria to start to decline after the antibody is administered.

(c) Let $P(n) = 0$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{2n} (450 - nr) = 0$$

$$900n - n^2 - 2n^3 = 0$$

$$\text{Using G.C to solve } 900n - n^2 - 2n^3 = 0.$$



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PRESS + FOR ΔTb1				
X	Y1			
11	7117			
12	7200			
13	7137			
14	6916			
15	6525			
16	5952			
17	5185			
18	4212			
19	3021			
20	1600			
21	-63			

X=21

It will need a total of 21 days for the bacteria to be entirely cleared from the body.

(d) $Q(n) = 1617 - 20(n-7)^2$

Using G.C,

$$n = 6, Q(6) = 1597$$

$$n = 7, Q(7) = 1617$$

$$n = 8, Q(8) = 1597$$

$$P(n) = 900n - n^2 - 2n^3$$

Using G.C,

$$n = 11, P(11) = 7117$$

$$n = 12, P(12) = 7200$$

$$n = 13, P(13) = 7137$$

It takes 8 days for the amount of bacteria present to be reduced when using the oral medication whereas 13 days are required when using the antibody.

Thus, the oral medication is more effective in reducing the amount of bacteria present.

Solution

- (a) Let u_n denote the number of families evacuating the village at the end of the n th day after the storm arrived.

$$\begin{aligned}u_n &= 0 \\40 + (n-1)(-2) &= 0 \\42 - 2n &= 0 \\n &= 21\end{aligned}$$

Hence the last family evacuated the village at the end of the 20th day after the storm arrived.

Learning point:

$n = 21$ means no more families are evacuated at the end of the 21st day after the storm struck.

- (b) Let S_n denote the total number of families that have evacuated the village by the end of the n th day.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Total number of families that evacuated the village} \\&= S_{20} \\&= \frac{20}{2}(40 + 2) \\&= 420\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Total number of families remaining after all evacuation is complete} \\&= 600 - 420 \\&= 180\end{aligned}$$

There are 180 number of families remain in the village after no more families evacuate the village

- (c) Let v_n denote the number of families remaining in the village at the end of the n th day after the storm struck.

$$\begin{aligned}v_n &= 600 - S_n \\&= 600 - \frac{n}{2}[2(40) + (n-1)(-2)] \\&= 600 - 41n + n^2 \quad (\text{Shown})\end{aligned}$$

- (d) Number of units supplied in the first 20 days

$$\begin{aligned}&= \sum_{r=1}^{20} (600 - 41r + r^2) \\&= \sum_{r=1}^{20} 600 + \sum_{r=1}^{20} 41r + r^2 + \sum_{r=1}^{20} r^2 \\&= 600(20) - 41 \left[\frac{20}{2}(1+20) \right] + \frac{20}{6}(20+1)(2(20)+1) \\&= 6260\end{aligned}$$

Remaining supplies can last

$$= \frac{11000 - 6260}{180 \text{ families}}$$
$$= 26\frac{1}{3} \text{ days.}$$

Number of days that the storage facility is unable to supply the village's families with supplies

$$= 20 + 27$$

$$= 47 \text{ days}$$

The storage facility will be unable to supply the village's families with supplies on the 47 days.

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Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad S_n &= \sum_{r=1}^n (3r + 5) \\ &= 3 \sum_{r=1}^n r + \sum_{r=1}^n 5 \\ &= \frac{3n}{2}(n+1) + 5n \\ &= \frac{3}{2}n^2 + \frac{13}{2}n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad u_n &= \sum_{r=1}^n u_r - \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} u_r \\ &= n^2 - 3n - [(n-1)^2 - 3(n-1)] \\ &= n^2 - 3n - [n^2 - 2n + 1 - 3n + 3] \\ &= 2n - 4 \end{aligned}$$

The n th term of the series is $2n - 4$.

Solution

- (a) Given $u_{n+1} = 2u_n + A_n$ (1)

Substituting $n = 1$, $u_1 = 5$ and $u_2 = 15$ into (1)

$$u_2 = 2u_1 + A(1)$$

$$15 = 2(5) + A$$

$$A = 5$$

Substituting $n = 1$ and $u_2 = 15$ into (1)

$$u_3 = 2u_2 + 5(2)$$

$$= 2(15) + 5(2)$$

$$= 40$$

$\therefore A = 5$ and $u_3 = 40$

- (b) Let $u_n = a(2^n) + bn + c$ (2)

Substituting $n = 1$ and $u_1 = 5$ into (2)

$$u_1 = a(2^1) + b(1) + c$$

$$5 = 2a + b + c \text{ (3)}$$

Substituting $n = 2$ and $u_2 = 15$ into (2)

$$u_2 = a(2^2) + b(2) + c$$

$$15 = 4a + 2b + c \text{ (4)}$$

Substituting $n = 2$ and $u_3 = 40$ into (2)

$$u_3 = a(2^3) + b(3) + c$$

$$40 = 4a + 2b + c$$

$$40 = 8a + 3b + c \text{ (5)}$$

Use GC to solve (3), (4) and (5).

$\therefore a = 7.5, b = -5, c = -5$

- (c) Substituting $a = 7.5, b = -5$ and $c = -5$ into (2)

$$\therefore u_n = 7.5(2^n) - 5n - 5$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n (7.5(2^r) - 5r - 5)$$

$$= 7.5 \sum_{r=1}^n 2^r - 5 \sum_{r=1}^n r - \sum_{r=1}^n 5$$

$$= 7.5 \left(\frac{2(2^n - 1)}{2 - 1} \right) - 5 \left(\frac{n}{2}(1 + n) \right) - 5n$$

$$= 15(2^n - 1) - 5n \left(\frac{1}{2}(1 + n) + 1 \right)$$

$$= 15(2^n - 1) - \frac{5n}{2}(3 + n)$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(a)} \quad & \sum_{r=1}^n (2r-7)(r+1) \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^n (2r^2 - 5r - 7) \\
&= 2 \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 - \sum_{r=1}^n (5r + 7) \\
&= 2 \left[\frac{1}{6} n(n+1)(2n+1) \right] - \frac{n}{2} [(5(1)+7) + (5(n)+7)] \\
&= 2 \left[\frac{1}{6} n(n+1)(2n+1) \right] - \frac{n}{2} [(5n+19)] \quad \triangleleft \text{factor out } \frac{n}{6} \\
&= \frac{1}{6} n [2(2n^2 + 3n + 1) - 3(5n + 19)] \\
&= \frac{1}{6} n [4n^2 + 6n + 2 - (15n + 57)] \\
&= \frac{1}{6} n (4n^2 - 9n - 55) \quad (\text{Shown})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(b)} \quad & \sum_{r=1}^n 3^{-r} \\
&= \sum_{r=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^r \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^1 + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^3 + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^n \quad \triangleleft \text{geometric series} \\
&= \frac{\frac{1}{3} \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^n \right]}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} \quad \triangleleft \text{apply sum of first } n\text{th term of geometric series formulae, } S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^n \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For } \sum_{r=1}^n (2r-7)(r+1) > \sum_{r=1}^n 3^{-r}$$

$$\frac{1}{6}n(4n^2 - 9n - 55) > \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^n \right]$$

From GC,

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Plot1	Plot2	Plot3		
$\text{Y}_1 = \frac{x}{6} (4x^2 - 9x - 55)$				
$\text{Y}_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^x \right)$				
$\text{Y}_3 =$				
$\text{Y}_4 =$				
$\text{Y}_5 =$				
$\text{Y}_6 =$				
$\text{Y}_7 =$				

NORMAL FLOAT DEC REAL RADIAN MP				
PRESS + FOR Δ Tab1				
X	Y1	Y2		
0	0	0		
1	-10	0.3333		
2	-19	0.4444		
3	-23	0.4815		
4	-18	0.4938		
5	0	0.4979		
6	35	0.4993		
7	91	0.4998		
8	172	0.4999		
9	282	0.5		
10	425	0.5		
X=6				

The least value of n is 6.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(c)} \quad & \sum_{r=n+1}^{2n} (2r-7)(r+1) \\
 &= \left[\frac{1}{6} (2n)(4(2n)^2 - 9(2n) - 55) \right] - \left[\frac{1}{6} n(4n^2 - 9n - 55) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{6} n \left[2(16n^2 - 18n - 55) - (4n^2 - 9n - 55) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{6} n \left[(32n^2 - 36n - 110) - (4n^2 - 9n - 55) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{6} n (28n^2 - 27n - 55) \text{ or } \frac{14}{3} n^3 - \frac{9}{2} n^2 - \frac{55}{6} n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad 43 \times 26 + 45 \times 27 + 47 \times 28 + \dots + 87 \times 48 + 89 \times 49$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{r=25}^{48} (2r-7)(r+1) \\
 &= \sum_{r=1}^{48} (2r-7)(r+1) - \sum_{r=1}^{24} (2r-7)(r+1) \quad \triangleleft \text{ use the result in (a): } \sum_{r=1}^n (2r^2 - 5r - 7) = \frac{1}{6} n(4n^2 - 9n - 55) \\
 &= \frac{1}{6} (48) \left[4(48)^2 - 9(48) - 55 \right] - \frac{1}{6} (24) \left[4(24)^2 - 9(24) - 55 \right] \\
 &= 61700
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad & 2^3 + 4^3 + 6^3 + \dots + (2n)^3 \\
 &= \sum_{r=1}^n (2r)^3 \\
 &= 8 \sum_{r=1}^n r^3 \\
 &= 8 \left[\frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4} \right] \\
 &= 2n^2(n+1)^2 \quad (\text{Shown})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{r=1}^n (2r-1)^3 \\
 &= \sum_{r=1}^{2n} r^3 - \sum_{r=1}^n (2r)^3 \quad \triangleleft \text{ use the result in (a): } \sum_{r=1}^n (2r)^3 = 2n^2(n+1)^2 \text{ and } \sum_{r=1}^n r^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4} \\
 &= \frac{(2n)^2(2n+1)^2}{4} - 2n^2(n+1)^2 \\
 &= n^2(2n+1)^2 - 2n^2(n+1)^2 \\
 &= n^2(4n^2 + 4n + 1 - 2n^2 - 4n - 2) \\
 &= n^2(2n^2 - 1) \quad (\text{Shown})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b)} \quad & \sum_{r=1}^{2n} (-1)^r (r)^3 \\
 &= -1^3 + 2^3 - 3^3 + 4^3 - 5^3 + 6^3 - \dots + (2n)^3 - (2n-1)^3 \\
 &= \left[2^3 + 4^3 + 6^3 + \dots + (2n)^3 \right] - \left[1^3 + 3^3 + 5^3 + \dots + (2n-1)^3 \right] \\
 &= \left[2^3 + 4^3 + 6^3 + \dots + (2n)^3 \right] - \left[1^3 + 3^3 + 5^3 + \dots + (2n-1)^3 \right] \\
 &= \sum_{r=1}^n (2r)^3 - \sum_{r=1}^n (2r-1)^3 \quad \triangleleft \text{ use the result in (a)} \\
 &= 2n^2(n+1)^2 - n^2(2n^2 - 1) \\
 &= n^2 \left[2(n^2 + 2n + 1) - 2n^2 + 1 \right] \\
 &= n^2(4n + 3)
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution

(a) Let u_n be the n th term of the sequence.

Given that S_1, S_2, S_3 and S_4 are 2, 6, 18 and 44.

$$u_1 = S_1 = 2$$

$$u_2 = S_2 - S_1 = 6 - 2 = 4$$

$$u_3 = S_3 - S_2 = 18 - 6 = 12$$

$$\therefore u_1 = 2, u_2 = 4 \text{ and } u_3 = 12$$

If S_n is a quadratic polynomial, then $S_n = an^2 + bn + c$, where a, b and c are constants.

Also the general term, $u_n = S_n - S_{n-1}$ must be a linear polynomial in terms of n .

Since $u_3 - u_2 \neq u_2 - u_1$, u_n cannot be linear polynomial in terms of n . Therefore S_n cannot be a quadratic polynomial.

Alternative Method

$$\text{Let } S_n = an^2 + bn + c \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Substituting $n = 1$ and $S_1 = 2$ into (1)

$$a + b + c = 2. \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Substituting $n = 2$ and $S_2 = 6$ into (1)

$$4a + 2b + c = 6 \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Substituting $n = 3$ and $S_3 = 18$ into (1)

$$9a + 3b + c = 18 \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

Substituting $n = 4$ and $S_4 = 44$ into (1)

$$16a + 4b + c = 44 \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

Solving the 4 equations will result in no solutions. Therefore $S_n \neq an^2 + bn + c$.

(b) Let $S_n = an^3 + bn^2 + cn + d \dots\dots\dots (1)$

Given that S_1, S_2, S_3 and S_4 are 2, 6, 18 and 44 respectively,

Substituting $n = 1$ and $S_1 = 2$ into (1)

$$\therefore a + b + c + d = 2 \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Substituting $n = 2$ and $S_2 = 6$ into (1)

$$8a + 4b + 2c + d = 6 \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Substituting $n = 3$ and $S_3 = 18$ into (1)

$$27a + 9b + 3c + d = 18 \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

Substituting $n = 4$ and $S_4 = 44$ into (1)

$$64a + 16b + 4c + d = 44 \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

Using GC, $a = 1, b = -2, c = 3, d = 0$.

$$\therefore S_n = n^3 - 2n^2 + 3n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(c)} \quad S_n - S_{n-1} &= n^3 - 2n^2 + 3n - (n-1)^3 + 2(n-1)^2 - 3(n-1) \\
&= n^3 - 2n^2 + 3n - (n^3 - 3n^2 + 3n - 1) + 2(n^2 - 2n + 1) - 3n + 3 \\
&= 3n^2 - 7n + 6
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=1}^N S_n - S_{n-1} \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^N 3n^2 - 7n + 6 \\
&= 3 \sum_{n=1}^N n^2 - 7 \sum_{n=1}^N n + 6N \\
&= 3 \sum_{n=1}^N n^2 - \frac{7N(N+1)}{2} + 6N \\
&= \frac{N}{6}(N+1)(2N+1) - \frac{7N(N+1)}{2} + 6N
\end{aligned}$$

Solution

(a) Let the sequence $\{u_n\}$ converges be L .

$$\text{Then } L = \frac{2}{2-L}$$

$$2L - L^2 = 2$$

$$L^2 - 2L + 2 = 0 \quad \triangleleft \text{completing the square}$$

$$(L-1)^2 + 1 = 0$$

Since there is no real solution for L , the sequence does not converge.

(b)(i) Using GC

$$u_1 = 4$$

$$u_2 = -1$$

$$u_3 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$u_4 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$u_5 = 4$$

NORMAL FLOAT AUTO REAL RADIAN MP			
SECOND CONDITION IF NEEDED			
Plot1	Plot2	Plot3	
TYPE: SEQ(n)	SEQ(n+1)	SEQ(n+2)	
nMin=1			
u(n+1) = $\frac{2}{2-u(n)}$			
u(1) = 4			
u(2) =			
v(n+1) =			
v(1) =			
v(2) =			

NORMAL FLOAT AUTO REAL RADIAN MP			
PRESS + FOR Δ b1			
n	u		
1	4		
2	-1		
3	$\frac{2}{3}$		
4	$\frac{3}{2}$		
5	4		
6	-1		
7	$\frac{2}{3}$		
n=1			

The next 4 terms of the sequence are 4, -1, $\frac{2}{3}$, 4

(b)(ii) $u_{n+1} = \frac{2}{2-u_n} \dots\dots\dots (1)$

Replace n by $n+1$ in (1)

$$u_{n+2} = \frac{2}{2-u_{n+1}} \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Substitute (1) into (2)

$$u_{n+2} = \frac{2}{2 - \left(\frac{2}{2-u_n} \right)}$$

$$u_{n+2} = \frac{2(2-u_n)}{2-2u_n} \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

$$u_{n+2} = \frac{2-u_n}{1-u_n} \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

Replace n by $n+2$ in (4)

$$u_{n+4} = \frac{2-u_{n+2}}{1-u_{n+2}} \dots\dots\dots (5)$$

Substitute (4) into (5)

$$u_{n+4} = \frac{2 - \left(\frac{2-u_n}{1-u_n} \right)}{1 - \left(\frac{2-u_n}{1-u_n} \right)}$$

$$u_{n+4} = \frac{\frac{2(1-u_n)-(2-u_n)}{1-u_n}}{\frac{(1-u_n)-(2-u_n)}{1-u_n}}$$

$$u_{n+4} = \frac{2-2u_n-2+u_n}{1-u_n-2+u_n}$$

$$= \frac{-u_n}{-1}$$

$$\therefore u_{n+4} = u_n \quad (\text{Shown})$$

Solution**(a)**Given $u_n = u_{n-1} + n + 2^n$ (1)Replace n by $n-1$ in (1)

$$u_{n-1} = u_{n-2} + (n-1) + 2^{n-1} \text{ (2)}$$

Replace n by $n-2$ in (1)

$$u_{n-2} = u_{n-3} + (n-2) + 2^{n-2} \text{ (3)}$$

Replace n by $n-3$ in (1)

$$u_{n-3} = u_{n-4} + (n-3) + 2^{n-3}$$

From (1): $u_n = u_{n-1} + n + 2^n$ \triangleleft replace u_{n-1} by (2)

$$= u_{n-2} + (n-1) + 2^{n-1} + n + 2^n \triangleleft \text{replace } u_{n-2} \text{ by (3)}$$

$$= u_{n-3} + (n-2) + 2^{n-2} + (n-1) + n + 2^{n-1} + 2^n \triangleleft \text{arrange in sequence}$$

$$= u_{n-3} + (n-2) + (n-1) + n + 2^{n-2} + 2^{n-1} + 2^n$$

From observation,

$$= u_1 + [2 + 3 + \dots + (n-2) + (n-1) + n] + [2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^{n-2} + 2^{n-1} + 2^n] \triangleleft \text{given that } u_1 = 4$$

$$= 4 + [2 + 3 + \dots + (n-2) + (n-1) + n] + [2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^{n-2} + 2^{n-1} + 2^n]$$

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

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

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

Learning point:Use sum of AP formulae to find $[2 + 3 + \dots + (n-2) + (n-1) + n]$ Use sum of GP formulae to find $[2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^{n-2} + 2^{n-1} + 2^n]$ **(b)** For $n \geq 2$, $u_n > u_{n-1} > u_{n-2} > \dots > u_1$ and as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{(n-1)(n+2)}{2} \rightarrow \infty$ and $2^{n+1} \rightarrow \infty$

$$\therefore u_n \rightarrow \infty$$

Hence the sequence is increasing and divergent.

Solution

(a) Given $4T_{n+1} = aT_n + 2$ and $T_1 = 20$

When $n = 1$,

$$T_2 = \frac{a}{4}T_1 + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$T_2 = \frac{a}{4}(20) + \frac{1}{2}$$

When $n = 2$,

$$U_3 = \frac{a}{4}U_2 + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$U_3 = \frac{a}{4}\left(\frac{a}{4}(20) + \frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^2 (20) + \frac{a}{4}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}$$

When $n = 3$,

$$U_4 = \frac{a}{4}U_3 + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$U_4 = \frac{a}{4}\left[\left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^2 (20) + \frac{a}{4}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\right] + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^3 (20) + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad U_n &= \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} (20) + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} (20) + \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-3} + \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-2} \right] \\ &= \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} (20) + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1 \left(1 - \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} \right)}{1 - \frac{a}{4}} \right] \\ &= \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} (20) + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{4}{4-a} \left(1 - \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} \right) \right] \\ &= \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} (20) + \frac{2}{4-a} - \frac{2}{4-a} \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} \\ &= \frac{20(4-a) - 2}{4-a} \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} + \frac{2}{4-a} \\ &= \frac{78-20a}{4-a} \left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^{n-1} + \frac{2}{4-a} \quad (\text{Shown}) \end{aligned}$$

(c) For the constant value to be valid, i.e. when the sequence converges, then

$$\left| \frac{a}{4} \right| < 1$$

$$|a| < 4$$

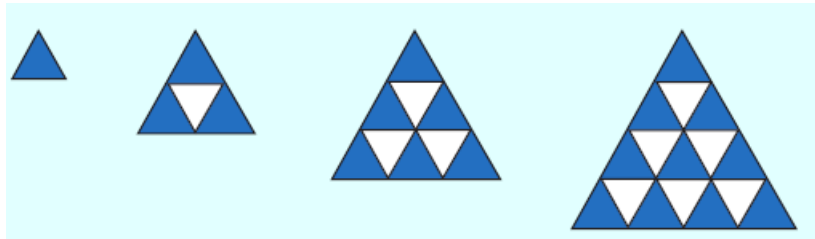
$$-4 < a < 4$$

\therefore the range of a is $-4 < a < 4$.

For $-4 < a < 4$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\left(\frac{a}{4} \right)^{n-1} \rightarrow 0$.

Therefore, the constant value is $\frac{2}{4-a}$.

Solution



Refer the above diagram.

1st row: number of matches = 3

2nd row: number of matches = 6

3rd row: number of matches = 9

$$\therefore n\text{th row: number of matches} = 3 + (n-1)(3) \\ = 3n$$

1 row: total number of matches = 3

2 rows: total number of matches = 3 + 6

3 rows: total number of matches = 3 + 6 + 9

Total number of matches in n rows

$$= \frac{n}{2} (\text{number of matches in 1st row} + \text{number of matches in } n\text{th row})$$

$$= \frac{n}{2} (3 + 3n)$$

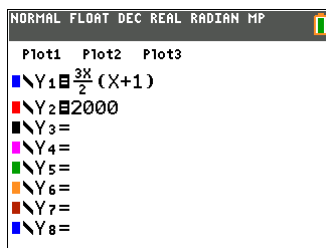
$$= \frac{3n(n+1)}{2} \quad (\text{Shown})$$

To find the maximum number of complete rows she is able to make with two thousand matchsticks,

set total number of matchsticks used in making a pattern with n rows ≤ 2000

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{3n(n+1)}{2} \leq 2000$$

Using GC,



NORMAL FLOAT DEC REAL RADIAN MP				
PRESS + FOR Δ Tab1				
X	Y1	Y2		
31	1488	2000		
32	1584	2000		
33	1683	2000		
34	1785	2000		
35	1890	2000		
36	1998	2000		
37	2109	2000		
38	2223	2000		
39	2340	2000		
40	2460	2000		
41	2583	2000		
X=36				

The maximum number of complete rows she is able to make with two thousand matchsticks is 36.

Solution

(a) Interest rate for 12 months = $p\%$

$$\text{Interest rate per month} = \frac{p}{100} \times \frac{1}{12}$$

Interest charged their first repayment on 1 September 2021

$$= \frac{pL}{1200}$$

(b)

Month	Oustanding Loan
0	L
1	$\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)L - x$
2	$\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)\left[\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)L - x\right] - x = \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^2 L - \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)x - x$
3	$\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)\left[\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^2 L - \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)x - x\right] - x = \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^3 L - \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^2 x - \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)x - x$

Outstanding loan at the start of the n th month after their monthly repayment

$$= \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^n L - \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^{n-1} x - \dots - \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^2 x - \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)x - x$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^n L - x \left[\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^{n-1} + \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^{n-2} \dots + 1 \right]$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^n L - x \left[\frac{\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^n - 1}{\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right) - 1} \right]$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^n L - \frac{1200x}{p} \left[\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^n - 1 \right] \quad (\text{Shown})$$

- (c) It is given $L = 504\,000$, $p = 2.6$ and $n = 360$ (30 years).

For the loan to be repaid completely in 30 years,
outstanding loan at the start of the n th month ≤ 0

$$\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^n L - \frac{1200x}{p} \left[\left(1 + \frac{p}{1200}\right)^n - 1\right] \leq 0 \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Substituting $n = 360$, $p = 2.6$ and $L = 504\,000$ into (1).

$$504\,000 \left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^{360} - \frac{1200x}{2.6} \left[\left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^{360} - 1\right] \leq 0$$

$$\frac{1200x}{2.6} \left[\left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^{360} - 1\right] \geq 504\,000 \left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^{360}$$

$$x \geq \frac{1098534.707}{544.4457028}$$

$$\geq 2017.712145$$

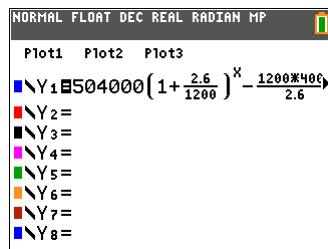
\therefore the monthly repayment is \$2017.71.

- (d) It is given that $x = 4000$, $p = 2.6$ and $L = 504\,000$.

Substituting $x = 4000$, $p = 2.6$ and $L = 504\,000$ into (1).

$$504\,000 \left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^n - \frac{1200 \times 4000}{2.6} \left[\left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^n - 1\right] \leq 0,$$

Using GC



NORMAL FLOAT DEC REAL RADIAN MP					
PRESS * FOR $\Delta T \div 1$					
X	Y1				
139	32912				
140	28983				
141	25046				
142	21109				
143	17146				
144	13183				
145	9211.4				
146	5231.3				
147	1242.7				
148	-2755				
149	-6761				
X=148					

From the table above, when $n = 148$, $504\,000 \left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^n - \frac{1200 \times 4000}{2.6} \left[\left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^n - 1\right] = -2755 < 0$.

As $n = 148$ months, it is equivalent to 12 years and 4 months.

The date that the couple pays for their final repayment is 1 December 2033.

The final repayment that the couple pays is \$1245.38.

(e) Amount money including interest save after 1 month

$$= 1.001(k)$$

Amount money including interest save after 2 month

$$= 1.001[k + a]$$

Amount money including interest save after 3 month

$$= 1.001[k + 2a]$$

Amount money including interest save after n month

$$= 1.001[k + (n-1)a]$$

Total amount money including interest save after n month

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n 1.001[k + (n-1)a]$$

$$= 1.001 \sum_{r=1}^n [k + (n-1)a] \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Given that total amount money in the saving plan after n months

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n (450.45 + 50.05r)$$

$$= 1.001 \sum_{r=1}^n [450 + 50r]$$

$$= 1.001 \sum_{r=1}^n [500 + 50(r-1)] \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Comparing (1) and (2)

Hence, $k = 500, a = 50$

Alternative Method

When $n = 1$,

$$1.001k = 450.45 + 50.05$$

$$k = 500$$

When $n = 2$,

$$1.001k + 1.001(k + a) = 450.45 + 50.05 + 450.45 + 50.45(2)$$

$$2k + a = 1050$$

$$a = 50$$

Hence, $k = 500, a = 50$

(f)
$$\sum_{r=1}^n (450.45 + 50.05r) \geq 504000 \left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^n - \frac{1200 \times 4000}{2.6} \left[\left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^n - 1\right]$$

Using GC

NORMAL
FLOAT
DEC
REAL
RADIAN
MP

Plot1

Plot2

Plot3

Y1
 $\sum_{x=1}^x (450.45 + 50.05x)$

Y2
 $504000 \left(1 + \frac{2.6}{1200}\right)^x - \frac{1200 \times 4000}{2.6}$

Y3
 $Y1 - Y2$

Y4=

Y5=

Y6=

Y7=

NORMAL FLOAT DEC REAL RADIAN MP				
PRESS + FOR Δ Tab1				
X	Y1	Y2	Y3	
85	221221	232916	-11695	
86	225976	229421	-3445	
87	230781	225918	4862.6	
88	235635	222407	13228	
89	240540	218899	21651	
90	245495	215364	30132	
91	250500	211830	38670	
92	255555	208289	47266	
93	260660	204740	55920	
94	265816	201184	64631	
95	271021	197620	73401	
X=87				

∴ the least number of months is 87

(a)(i) Given $S_n = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{(n+1)^2}{2^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{2^n}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_n &= S_n - S_{n-1} \\
 &= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{(n+1)^2}{2^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{2^n} - \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{(n-1+1)^2}{2^{n-1+1}} - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{n^2}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} - \frac{(n+1)^2}{2^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{2^n} \\
 &= \frac{2n^2 + 2^2 - (n+1)^2 - 2}{2^{n+1}} \\
 &= \frac{2n^2 + 2 - n^2 - 2n - 1}{2^{n+1}} \\
 &= \frac{n^2 - 2n + 1}{2^{n+1}} \\
 &= \frac{(n-1)^2}{2^{n+1}} \quad (\text{Shown})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii)} \quad \sum_{r=3}^n \frac{(r-1)^2}{2^{r+1}} &= \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{(r-1)^2}{2^{r+1}} - \sum_{r=1}^2 \frac{(r-1)^2}{2^{r+1}} \\
 &= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{(n+1)^2}{2^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{2^n} - \frac{1}{8} \\
 &= \frac{11}{8} - \frac{(n+1)^2}{2^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{2^n}
 \end{aligned}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{2^n} \rightarrow 0$ and $\frac{(n+1)^2}{2^{n+1}} \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore \sum_{r=3}^{\infty} \frac{(r-1)^2}{2^{r+1}} = \frac{11}{8}.$$

(b)(i) $(1 \times 4 \times 7) + (2 \times 5 \times 8) + (3 \times 6 \times 9) + \dots$ to n terms

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{r=1}^n r(r+3)(r+6) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^n r^3 + 9r^2 + 18r \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^n r^3 + 9 \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 + 18 \sum_{r=1}^n r \\ &= \frac{n^2}{4}(n+1)^2 + 9 \left[\frac{n}{6}(n+1)(2n+1) \right] + 18 \left[\frac{n}{2}(n+1) \right] \\ &= \frac{n^2}{4}(n+1)^2 + \frac{3n}{2}(n+1)(2n+1) + 9n(n+1) \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{4} [n(n+1) + 6(2n+1) + 36] \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{4} (n^2 + 13n + 42) \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(n+6)(n+7)}{4} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Since every term of $(1 \times 4 \times 7) + (2 \times 5 \times 8) + (3 \times 6 \times 9) + \dots$ has an even number the sum of first n terms is also an even number.