

SUMMATION OF THE TERMS OF A SEQUENCE

$$\sum_{j=m}^n a_j = a_m + a_{m+1} + \dots + a_n$$

The variable j is referred to as the index of summation.

- m is the lower limit and
- n is the upper limit of the summation.

Example

1) Sum the first 7 terms of $\{n^2\}$ where $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$

$$\sum_{j=1}^7 a_j = \sum_{j=1}^7 j^2 = 1+4+9+16+25+36+49 = 140$$

2) What is the value of $(-1)^j$

$$\sum_{k=4}^6 a_j = \sum_{k=4}^6 (-1)^j = 1 + (-1) + 1 = 1$$

TYPES

There are two types of summation of a sequence. They are:-

- Arithmetic series
- Geometric series

Example

$$S = \sum_{j=1}^5 (2+j) = \sum_{j=1}^5 2 + \sum_{j=1}^5 j = 2 \sum_{j=1}^5 1 + 3 \sum_{j=1}^5 j = 2 \cdot 5 + 3 \cdot \frac{5(5+1)}{2} = 10 + 45 = 55$$

Example 2

$$S = \sum_{j=3}^5 (2+j) = [\sum_{j=1}^5 (2+j)] - [\sum_{j=1}^2 (2+j)] \leftarrow \text{Trick}$$

$$= [2 \sum_{j=1}^5 1 + 3 \sum_{j=1}^5 j] - [2 \sum_{j=1}^2 1 + 3 \sum_{j=1}^2 j] = 55 - 13 = 42$$

ARITHMETIC SERIES

The sum of the arithmetic progression $a, a+d, a+2d, \dots, a+nd$ is called an arithmetic series.

Theorem: The sum of the terms of the arithmetic progression.

$$a, a+d, a+2d, \dots, a+nd$$

is, $S = \sum_{j=1}^n (a+jd) = na + d \sum_{j=1}^n j = na + d \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

SUMS

Why proof:

$$S = \sum_{j=1}^n (a+jd) = \sum_{j=1}^n a + \sum_{j=1}^n jd = na + d \sum_{j=1}^n j$$

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

$\swarrow \quad \searrow$
 $n+1 \quad \dots \quad n+1$
 $n/2 \times (n+1)$

DOUBLE SUMMATION

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{j=1}^2 (2^i \cdot j)$$

GEOMETRIC SERIES

The sum of the terms of a geometric progression a, ar, ar^2, \dots, ar^k is called a geometric series.

Theorem: The sum of the terms of a geometric progression a, ar, ar^2, \dots, ar^n is

$$S = \sum_{j=0}^n (ar^j) = a \sum_{j=0}^n r^j = a \left[\frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1} \right]$$

Proof: $S = \sum_{j=0}^n ar^j = a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^n$

• multiply S by r
 $rS = r \sum_{j=0}^n ar^j = ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^{n+1}$

• subtract $rS - S = [ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^{n+1}] - [a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^n] = ar^{n+1} - a$

$$S = \frac{ar^{n+1} - a}{r - 1} = a \left[\frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1} \right]$$

Example

$$S = \sum_{j=0}^3 2(5)^j$$

General formula:-

$$S = \sum_{j=0}^n (ar^j) = a \sum_{j=0}^n r^j = a \left[\frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1} \right]$$

$$S = \sum_{j=0}^3 2(5)^j = 2 \cdot \frac{5^4 - 1}{5 - 1} = \frac{2 \cdot 624}{4} = 312$$

INFINITE GEOMETRIC SERIES

Infinite geometric series can be computed in a closed form for $|x| < 1$.

How?

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^k x^n = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{k+1} - 1}{x - 1} = \frac{-1}{x - 1} = \frac{1}{1 - x}$$

Thus, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1 - x}$

An infinite geometric series is the sum of an infinite geometric series.

The sum S of an infinite geometric series with $-1 < r < 1$ given by the formula

$$S = \frac{a_1}{1 - r}$$

An infinite series that has a sum is called a convergent series

$$= \sum_{i=1}^4 \left[\sum_{j=1}^2 2^i \cdot j \right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^4 \left[2^i \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{2}{2} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^4 [2^i \cdot 2]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^4 4i - \sum_{i=1}^4 3 = 4 \sum_{i=1}^4 i - 3 \sum_{i=1}^4 1 = 4 \cdot 10 - 3 \cdot 4 = 28$$

$$= 4 \cdot \frac{4(4+1)}{2} - 3 \cdot 4 = 4 \cdot 10 - 12 = 28$$

S_n is called the partial sum of the series.

Example: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 10 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n-1}$

$r = \frac{1}{2}$ since $|\frac{1}{2}| < 1$, the sum exists.

$$S = \frac{a_1}{1 - r} = \frac{10}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{10}{\frac{1}{2}} = 20$$