

## Sequences and Series

**A. Write the first five terms of each of the sequences whose nth terms are:**

**1.  $a_n = n(n + 2)$**

**Ans:**

On substituting  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4,$  and  $5,$  we get the first five terms

$$a_1 = 1(1 + 2) = 3$$

$$a_2 = 2(2 + 2) = 8$$

$$a_3 = 3(3 + 2) = 15$$

$$a_4 = 4(4 + 2) = 24$$

$$a_5 = 5(5 + 2) = 35$$

Hence, the required terms are 3, 8, 15, 24, and 35.

**2.  $a_n = n/n+1$**

**Ans:**

On substituting  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,$  we get

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{1+1} = \frac{1}{2}, a_2 = \frac{2}{2+1} = \frac{2}{3}, a_3 = \frac{3}{3+1} = \frac{3}{4}, a_4 = \frac{4}{4+1} = \frac{4}{5}, a_5 = \frac{5}{5+1} = \frac{5}{6}$$

Hence, the required terms are  $1/2, 2/3, 3/4, 4/5$  and  $5/6.$

**3.  $a_n = 2^n$**

**Ans:**

On substituting  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,$  we get

$$a_1 = 2^1 = 2$$

$$a_2 = 2^2 = 4$$

$$a_3 = 2^3 = 8$$

$$a_4 = 2^4 = 16$$

$$a_5 = 2^5 = 32$$

Hence, the required terms are 2, 4, 8, 16, and 32.

**4.  $a_n = (2n - 3)/6$**

**Ans:**

On substituting  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,$  we get

$$a_1 = \frac{2 \times 1 - 3}{6} = \frac{-1}{6}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{2 \times 2 - 3}{6} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{2 \times 3 - 3}{6} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_4 = \frac{2 \times 4 - 3}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$a_5 = \frac{2 \times 5 - 3}{6} = \frac{7}{6}$$

Hence, the required terms are  $-1/6, 1/6, 1/2, 5/6$  and  $7/6..$

**5.  $a_n = (-1)^{n-1} 5^{n+1}$**

**Ans:**

On substituting  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,$  we get

$$a_1 = (-1)^{1-1} 5^{1+1} = 5^2 = 25$$

$$a_2 = (-1)^{2-1} 5^{2+1} = -5^3 = -125$$

$$a_3 = (-1)^{3-1} 5^{3+1} = 5^4 = 625$$

$$a_4 = (-1)^{4-1} 5^{4+1} = -5^5 = -3125$$

$$a_5 = (-1)^{5-1} 5^{5+1} = 5^6 = 15625$$

Hence, the required terms are 25, -125, 625, -3125, and 15625.

6.

$$a_n = n \frac{n^2 + 5}{4}$$

**Solution:**

On substituting  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ , we get first 5 terms

$$a_1 = 1 \cdot \frac{1^2 + 5}{4} = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$a_2 = 2 \cdot \frac{2^2 + 5}{4} = 2 \cdot \frac{9}{4} = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$a_3 = 3 \cdot \frac{3^2 + 5}{4} = 3 \cdot \frac{14}{4} = \frac{21}{2}$$

$$a_4 = 4 \cdot \frac{4^2 + 5}{4} = 21$$

$$a_5 = 5 \cdot \frac{5^2 + 5}{4} = 5 \cdot \frac{30}{4} = \frac{75}{2}$$

Hence, the required terms are  $3/2, 9/2, 21/2, 21$  and  $75/2$ .

**B. Find the indicated terms in each of the sequences whose  $n^{\text{th}}$  terms are:**

1.  $a_n = 4n - 3$ ;  $a_{17}, a_{24}$

**Ans:**

On substituting  $n = 17$ , we get

$$a_{17} = 4(17) - 3 = 68 - 3 = 65$$

Next, on substituting  $n = 24$ , we get

$$a_{24} = 4(24) - 3 = 96 - 3 = 93$$

2.  $a_n = n^2/2^n$ ;  $a^7$

**Ans:**

Now, on substituting  $n = 7$ , we get

$$a_7 = 7^2/2^7 = 49/128$$

3.  $a_n = (-1)^{n-1} n^3$ ;  $a_9$

**Ans:**

On substituting  $n = 9$ , we get

$$a_9 = (-1)^{9-1} (9)^3 = 1 \times 729 = 729$$

**C. Write the first five terms of each of the sequences in Exercises 1 to 3 and obtain the corresponding series:**

1.  $a_1 = 3, a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2$  for all  $n > 1$

**Solution:**

Given,  $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2$  and  $a_1 = 3$

Then,

$$a_2 = 3a_1 + 2 = 3(3) + 2 = 11$$

$$a_3 = 3a_2 + 2 = 3(11) + 2 = 35$$

$$a_4 = 3a_3 + 2 = 3(35) + 2 = 107$$

$$a_5 = 3a_4 + 2 = 3(107) + 2 = 323$$

Thus, the first 5 terms of the sequence are 3, 11, 35, 107 and 323.

Hence, the corresponding series is

3 + 11 + 35 + 107 + 323 .....

**2.  $a_1 = -1$ ,  $a_n = a_{n-1}/n$ ,  $n \geq 2$**

**Solution:**

Given,

$$a_n = a_{n-1}/n \text{ and } a_1 = -1$$

Then,

$$a_2 = a_1/2 = -1/2$$

$$a_3 = a_2/3 = -1/6$$

$$a_4 = a_3/4 = -1/24$$

$$a_5 = a_4/5 = -1/120$$

Thus, the first 5 terms of the sequence are -1, -1/2, -1/6, -1/24 and -1/120.

Hence, the corresponding series is

$$-1 + (-1/2) + (-1/6) + (-1/24) + (-1/120) + \dots$$

**3.  $a_1 = a_2 = 2$ ,  $a_n = a_{n-1} - 1$ ,  $n > 2$**

**Solution:**

Given,

$$a_1 = a_2, a_n = a_{n-1} - 1$$

Then,

$$a_3 = a_2 - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$a_4 = a_3 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$a_5 = a_4 - 1 = 0 - 1 = -1$$

Thus, the first 5 terms of the sequence are 2, 2, 1, 0 and -1.

The corresponding series is

$$2 + 2 + 1 + 0 + (-1) + \dots$$

**D.**

**1. Find the sum of odd integers from 1 to 2001.**

**Solution:**

The odd integers from 1 to 2001 are 1, 3, 5, ... 1999, 2001.

It clearly forms a sequence in A.P.

Where, the first term,  $a = 1$

Common difference,  $d = 2$

Now,

$$a + (n - 1)d = 2001$$

$$1 + (n-1)(2) = 2001$$

$$2n - 2 = 2000$$

$$2n = 2000 + 2 = 2002$$

$$n = 1001$$

We know,

$$S_n = n/2 [2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$S_n = \frac{1001}{2} [2 \times 1 + (1001-1) \times 2]$$

$$= \frac{1001}{2} [2 + 1000 \times 2]$$

$$= \frac{1001}{2} \times 2002$$

$$= 1001 \times 1001$$

$$= 1002001$$

Therefore, the sum of odd numbers from 1 to 2001 is 1002001.

**2. Find the sum of all natural numbers lying between 100 and 1000, which are multiples of 5.**

**Solution:**

The natural numbers lying between 100 and 1000, which are multiples of 5, are 105, 110, ... 995.

It clearly forms a sequence in A.P.

Where, the first term,  $a = 105$

Common difference,  $d = 5$

Now,

$$a + (n - 1)d = 995$$

$$105 + (n - 1)(5) = 995$$

$$105 + 5n - 5 = 995$$

$$5n = 995 - 105 + 5 = 895$$

$$n = 895/5$$

$$n = 179$$

We know,

$$S_n = n/2 [2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$S_n = \frac{179}{2} [2(105) + (179-1)(5)]$$

$$= \frac{179}{2} [2(105) + (178)(5)]$$

$$= 179 [105 + (89)5]$$

$$= (179)(105 + 445)$$

$$= (179)(550)$$

$$= 98450$$

Therefore, the sum of all natural numbers lying between 100 and 1000, which are multiples of 5, is 98450.

**3. In an A.P, the first term is 2 and the sum of the first five terms is one-fourth of the next five terms. Show that 20<sup>th</sup> term is -112.**

**Solution:**

Given,

The first term (a) of an A.P = 2

Let's assume  $d$  be the common difference of the A.P.

So, the A.P. will be 2,  $2 + d$ ,  $2 + 2d$ ,  $2 + 3d$ , ...

Then,

$$\text{Sum of first five terms} = 10 + 10d$$

$$\text{Sum of next five terms} = 10 + 35d$$

From the question, we have

$$10 + 10d = \frac{1}{4} (10 + 35d)$$

$$40 + 40d = 10 + 35d$$

$$30 = -5d$$

$$d = -6$$

$$a_{20} = a + (20 - 1)d = 2 + (19)(-6) = 2 - 114 = -112$$

Therefore, the 20<sup>th</sup> term of the A.P. is -112.

**4. How many terms of the A.P. -6, -11/2, -5, .... are needed to give the sum -25?**

**Solution:**

Let's consider the sum of  $n$  terms of the given A.P. as -25.

We known that,

$$S_n = n/2 [2a + (n-1)d]$$

where  $n$  = number of terms,  $a$  = first term, and  $d$  = common difference

So here,  $a = -6$

$$d = -11/2 + 6 = (-11 + 12)/2 = 1/2$$

Thus, we have

$$-25 = \frac{n}{2} \left[ 2 \times (-6) + (n-1) \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$-50 = n \left[ -12 + \frac{n}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$-50 = n \left[ -\frac{25}{2} + \frac{n}{2} \right]$$

$$-100 = n(-25 + n)$$

$$n^2 - 25n + 100 = 0$$

$$n^2 - 5n - 20n + 100 = 0$$

$$n(n-5) - 20(n-5) = 0$$

$$n = 20 \text{ or } 5$$

5. In an A.P., if  $p^{\text{th}}$  term is  $1/q$  and  $q^{\text{th}}$  term is  $1/p$ , prove that the sum of first  $pq$  terms is  $\frac{1}{2}(pq + 1)$  where  $p \neq q$ .

**Solution:**

We know that the general term of an A.P is given by:  $a_n = a + (n - 1)d$

From the question, we have

$$p^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = a_p = a + (p-1)d = \frac{1}{q} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$q^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = a_q = a + (q-1)d = \frac{1}{p} \quad \dots(2)$$

Subtracting (2) from (1), we have

$$(p-1)d - (q-1)d = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}$$

$$(p-1-q+1)d = \frac{p-q}{pq}$$

$$(p-q)d = \frac{p-q}{pq}$$

$$d = \frac{1}{pq}$$

Using the value of  $d$  in (1), we get

$$a + (p-1) \frac{1}{pq} = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{pq} = \frac{1}{pq}$$

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

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

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

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

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

Therefore, the sum of first  $pq$  terms of the A.P is  $\frac{1}{2}(pq+1)$

6. Find the sum to  $n$  terms of the A.P., whose  $k^{\text{th}}$  term is  $5k + 1$ .

**Solution:**

Given, the  $k^{\text{th}}$  term of the A.P. is  $5k + 1$ .

$$k^{\text{th}} \text{ term} = a_k = a + (k - 1)d$$

And,

$$a + (k - 1)d = 5k + 1$$

$$a + kd - d = 5k + 1$$

On comparing the coefficient of  $k$ , we get  $d = 5$

$$a - d = 1$$

$$a - 5 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d] \\ &= \frac{n}{2} [2(6) + (n-1)(5)] \\ &= \frac{n}{2} [12 + 5n - 5] \\ &= \frac{n}{2} (5n + 7) \end{aligned}$$

**7. The ratio of the sums of  $m$  and  $n$  terms of an A.P. is  $m^2 : n^2$ . Show that the ratio of  $m^{\text{th}}$  and  $n^{\text{th}}$  term is  $(2m - 1) : (2n - 1)$ .**

**Solution:**

Let's consider that  $a$  and  $b$  to be the first term and the common difference of the A.P. respectively.

Then from the question, we have

$$\frac{\text{Sum of } m \text{ terms}}{\text{Sum of } n \text{ terms}} = \frac{m^2}{n^2}$$

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

$$\frac{2a + (m-1)d}{2a + (n-1)d} = \frac{m}{n} \quad \dots\dots (1)$$

Putting  $m = 2m - 1$  and  $n = 2n - 1$  in (1), we get

$$\frac{2a + (2m-2)d}{2a + (2n-2)d} = \frac{2m-1}{2n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a + (m-1)d}{a + (n-1)d} = \frac{2m-1}{2n-1} \quad \dots\dots (2)$$

Now,

$$\frac{m^{\text{th}} \text{ term of A.P.}}{n^{\text{th}} \text{ term of A.P.}} = \frac{a + (m-1)d}{a + (n-1)d} \quad \dots\dots (3)$$

From (2) and (3), we have

$$\frac{m^{\text{th}} \text{ term of A.P.}}{n^{\text{th}} \text{ term of A.P.}} = \frac{2m-1}{2n-1}$$

Hence, the given result is proved.

**8. If the sum of  $n$  terms of an A.P. is  $3n^2 + 5n$  and its  $m^{\text{th}}$  term is 164, find the value of  $m$ .**

**Solution:**

Let's consider  $a$  and  $b$  to be the first term and the common difference of the A.P. respectively.

$$a_m = a + (m - 1)d = 164 \dots (1)$$

We the sum of the terms is given by,

$$S_n = n/2 [2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$\frac{n}{2} [2a + nd - d] = 3n^2 + 5n$$

$$na + \frac{d}{2}n^2 - \frac{d}{2}n = 3n^2 + 5n$$

$$\frac{d}{2}n^2 + (a - \frac{d}{2})n = 3n^2 + 5n$$

On comparing the coefficient of  $n^2$  on both sides, we get

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

$$\Rightarrow d = 6$$

On comparing the coefficient of  $n$  on both sides, we get

$$a - \frac{d}{2} = 5$$

$$a - 3 = 5$$

$$a = 8$$

Hence, from (1), we get

$$8 + (m - 1)6 = 164$$

$$(m - 1)6 = 164 - 8 = 156$$

$$m - 1 = 26$$

$$m = 27$$

Therefore, the value of  $m$  is 27.

**9. Insert five numbers between 8 and 26 such that the resulting sequence is an A.P.**

**Solution:**

Let's assume  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4,$  and  $A_5$  to be five numbers between 8 and 26 such that 8,  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, 26$  are in an A.P.

Here we have,

$$a = 8, b = 26, n = 7$$

So,

$$26 = 8 + (7 - 1)d$$

$$6d = 26 - 8 = 18$$

$$d = 3$$

Now,

$$A_1 = a + d = 8 + 3 = 11$$

$$A_2 = a + 2d = 8 + 2 \times 3 = 8 + 6 = 14$$

$$A_3 = a + 3d = 8 + 3 \times 3 = 8 + 9 = 17$$

$$A_4 = a + 4d = 8 + 4 \times 3 = 8 + 12 = 20$$

$$A_5 = a + 5d = 8 + 5 \times 3 = 8 + 15 = 23$$

Therefore, the required five numbers between 8 and 26 are 11, 14, 17, 20, and 23.

**10. If  $\frac{a^n + b^n}{a^{n-1} + b^{n-1}}$  is the A.M. between  $a$  and  $b$ , then find the value of  $n$ .**

**Solution:**

The A.M between  $a$  and  $b$  is given by,  $(a + b)/2$

Then according to the question,

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

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

$$a^n + ab^{n-1} + ba^{n-1} + b^n = 2a^n + 2b^n$$

$$ab^{n-1} + a^{n-1}b = a^n + b^n$$

$$ab^{n-1} - b^n = a^n - a^{n-1}b$$

$$b^{n-1}(a-b) = a^{n-1}(a-b)$$

$$b^{n-1} = a^{n-1}$$

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{n-1} = 1 = \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^0$$

$$n-1 = 0$$

$$n = 1$$

Thus, the value of n is 1.

**E.**

**1. Find the 20<sup>th</sup> and n<sup>th</sup> terms of the G.P. 5/2, 5/4, 5/8, .....**

**Solution:**

Given G.P. is 5/2, 5/4, 5/8, .....

Here, a = First term = 5/2

r = Common ratio = (5/4)/(5/2) = 1/2

Thus, the 20<sup>th</sup> term and n<sup>th</sup> term

$$a_{20} = ar^{20-1} = \frac{5}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{19} = \frac{5}{(2)(2)^{19}} = \frac{5}{(2)^{20}}$$

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

**2. Find the 12<sup>th</sup> term of a G.P. whose 8<sup>th</sup> term is 192 and the common ratio is 2.**

**Solution:**

Given,

The common ratio of the G.P., r = 2

And, let a be the first term of the G.P.

Now,

$$a_8 = ar^{8-1} = ar^7$$

$$ar^7 = 192$$

$$a(2)^7 = 192$$

$$a(2)^7 = (2)^6 (3)$$

So,

$$a = \frac{(2)^6 \times 3}{(2)^7} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Hence,

$$a_{12} = ar^{12-1} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)(2)^{11} = (3)(2)^{10} = 3072$$

**3. The 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> terms of a G.P. are p, q and s, respectively. Show that q<sup>2</sup> = ps.**

**Solution:**

Let's take a to be the first term and r to be the common ratio of the G.P.

Then according to the question, we have

$$a_5 = ar^{5-1} = ar^4 = p \dots (i)$$

$$a_8 = ar^{8-1} = ar^7 = q \dots (ii)$$

$$a_{11} = ar^{11-1} = ar^{10} = s \dots (iii)$$



Dividing equation (ii) by (i), we get

$$\frac{ar^7}{ar^4} = \frac{q}{p}$$

$$r^3 = \frac{q}{p} \quad \dots (iv)$$

On dividing equation (iii) by (ii), we get

$$\frac{ar^{10}}{ar^7} = \frac{s}{q}$$

$$r^3 = \frac{s}{q} \quad \dots (v)$$

Equating the values of  $r^3$  obtained in (iv) and (v), we get

$$\frac{q}{p} = \frac{s}{q}$$

$$q^2 = ps$$

Hence proved.

**4. The 4<sup>th</sup> term of a G.P. is square of its second term, and the first term is -3. Determine its 7<sup>th</sup> term.**

**Solution:**

Let's consider  $a$  to be the first term and  $r$  to be the common ratio of the G.P.

Given,  $a = -3$

And we know that,

$$a_n = ar^{n-1}$$

$$\text{So, } a_4 = ar^3 = (-3) r^3$$

$$a_2 = ar^1 = (-3) r$$

Then from the question, we have

$$(-3) r^3 = [(-3) r]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow -3r^3 = 9 r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow r = -3$$

$$a_7 = ar^{7-1} = ar^6 = (-3) (-3)^6 = -(3)^7 = -2187$$

Therefore, the seventh term of the G.P. is -2187.

**5. Which term of the following sequences:**

**(a) 2, 2√2, 4, ... is 128 ? (b) √3, 3, 3√3, ... is 729 ?**

**(c) 1/3, 1/9, 1/27, ... is 1/19683 ?**

**Solution:**

(a) The given sequence, 2, 2√2, 4, ...

We have,

$$a = 2 \text{ and } r = 2\sqrt{2}/2 = \sqrt{2}$$

Taking the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of this sequence as 128, we have

$$a_n = ar^{n-1}$$

$$(2)(\sqrt{2})^{n-1} = 128$$

$$(2)(2)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} = (2)^7$$

$$(2)^{\frac{n-1}{2}+1} = (2)^7$$

$$\frac{n-1}{2} + 1 = 7$$

$$\frac{n-1}{2} = 6$$

$$n-1 = 12$$

$$n = 13$$

Therefore, the 13<sup>th</sup> term of the given sequence is 128.

(ii) Given sequence,  $\sqrt{3}, 3, 3\sqrt{3}, \dots$

We have,

$$a = \sqrt{3} \text{ and } r = 3/\sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3}$$

Taking the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of this sequence to be 729, we have

$$a_n = ar^{n-1}$$

$$\therefore ar^{n-1} = 729$$

$$(\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{3})^{n-1} = 729$$

$$(3)^{\frac{1}{2}}(3)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} = (3)^6$$

$$(3)^{\frac{1+n-1}{2}} = (3)^6$$

Equating the exponents, we have

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{n-1}{2} = 6$$

$$\frac{1+n-1}{2} = 6$$

$$\therefore n = 12$$

Therefore, the 12<sup>th</sup> term of the given sequence is 729.

(iii) Given sequence,  $1/3, 1/9, 1/27, \dots$

$$a = 1/3 \text{ and } r = (1/9)/(1/3) = 1/3$$

Taking the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of this sequence to be  $1/19683$ , we have

$$a_n = ar^{n-1}$$

$$\therefore ar^{n-1} = \frac{1}{19683}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} = \frac{1}{19683}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^9$$

$$n = 9$$

Therefore, the 9<sup>th</sup> term of the given sequence is  $1/19683$ .

**6. For what values of  $x$ , the numbers  $-2/7, x, -7/2$  are in G.P?**

**Solution:**

The given numbers are  $-2/7, x, -7/2$ .

$$\text{Common ratio} = x/(-2/7) = -7x/2$$

$$\text{Also, common ratio} = (-7/2)/x = -7/2x$$

$$\therefore \frac{-7x}{2} = \frac{-7}{2x}$$

$$x^2 = \frac{-2 \times 7}{-2 \times 7} = 1$$

$$x = \sqrt{1}$$

$$x = \pm 1$$

Therefore, for  $x = \pm 1$ , the given numbers will be in G.P.

**7. Find the sum to 20 terms in the geometric progression 0.15, 0.015, 0.0015 ...**

**Solution:**

Given G.P., 0.15, 0.015, 0.0015, ...

Here,  $a = 0.15$  and  $r = 0.015/0.15 = 0.1$

We know that,  $S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore S_{20} &= \frac{0.15[1-(0.1)^{20}]}{1-0.1} \\ &= \frac{0.15}{0.9}[1-(0.1)^{20}] \\ &= \frac{15}{90}[1-(0.1)^{20}] \\ &= \frac{1}{6}[1-(0.1)^{20}]\end{aligned}$$

**8. Find the sum to  $n$  terms in the geometric progression  $\sqrt{7}, \sqrt{21}, 3\sqrt{7}, \dots$**

**Solution:**

The given G.P is  $\sqrt{7}, \sqrt{21}, 3\sqrt{7}, \dots$

Here,

$a = \sqrt{7}$  and

$$r = \frac{\sqrt{21}}{\sqrt{7}} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$\therefore S_n = \frac{\sqrt{7}[1-(\sqrt{3})^n]}{1-\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{7}[1-(\sqrt{3})^n]}{1-\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{1+\sqrt{3}}{1+\sqrt{3}} \quad (\text{By rationalizing})$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{7}(1+\sqrt{3})[1-(\sqrt{3})^n]}{1-3}$$

$$= \frac{-\sqrt{7}(1+\sqrt{3})[1-(3)^{\frac{n}{2}}]}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{7}(1+\sqrt{3})[(3)^{\frac{n}{2}}-1]}{2}$$

**9. If the  $p^{\text{th}}$ ,  $q^{\text{th}}$  and  $r^{\text{th}}$  terms of a G.P. are  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ , respectively. Prove that  $a^q r^p b^{r-p} c^{p-q} = 1$**

**Solution:**

Let's take  $A$  to be the first term and  $R$  to be the common ratio of the G.P.

Then according to the question, we have

$$AR^{p-1} = a$$

$$AR^{q-1} = b$$

$$AR^{r-1} = c$$

Then,

$$a^{q-r} b^{r-p} c^{p-q}$$

$$= A^{q-r} \times R^{(p-1)(q-r)} \times A^{r-p} \times R^{(q-1)(r-p)} \times A^{p-q} \times R^{(r-1)(p-q)}$$

$$= Aq^{-r+r-p+p-q} \times R^{(pr-pr-q+r)+(rq-r+p-pq)+(pr-p-qr+q)}$$

$$= A^0 \times R^0$$

$$= 1$$

Hence proved.

10. If  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  are in G.P. show that  $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)(b^2 + c^2 + d^2) = (ab + bc + cd)^2$ .

**Solution:**

Given,  $a, b, c, d$  are in G.P.

So, we have

$$bc = ad \dots (1)$$

$$b^2 = ac \dots (2)$$

$$c^2 = bd \dots (3)$$

Taking the R.H.S. we have

R.H.S.

$$= (ab + bc + cd)^2$$

$$= (ab + ad + cd)^2 \text{ [Using (1)]}$$

$$= [ab + d(a + c)]^2$$

$$= a^2b^2 + 2abd(a + c) + d^2(a + c)^2$$

$$= a^2b^2 + 2a^2bd + 2acbd + d^2(a^2 + 2ac + c^2)$$

$$= a^2b^2 + 2a^2c^2 + 2b^2c^2 + d^2a^2 + 2d^2b^2 + d^2c^2 \text{ [Using (1) and (2)]}$$

$$= a^2b^2 + a^2c^2 + a^2d^2 + b^2c^2 + b^2d^2 + d^2a^2 + d^2b^2 + d^2c^2$$

$$= a^2b^2 + a^2c^2 + a^2d^2 + b^2 \times b^2 + b^2c^2 + b^2d^2 + c^2b^2 + c^2 \times c^2 + c^2d^2$$

[Using (2) and (3) and rearranging terms]

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

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

= L.H.S.

Thus, L.H.S. = R.H.S.

Therefore,

$$(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)(b^2 + c^2 + d^2) = (ab + bc + cd)^2$$

11. Insert two numbers between 3 and 81 so that the resulting sequence is G.P.

**Solution:**

Let's assume  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  to be two numbers between 3 and 81 such that the series 3,  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$ , 81 forms a G.P.

And let  $a$  be the first term and  $r$  be the common ratio of the G.P.

Now, we have the 1<sup>st</sup> term as 3 and the 4<sup>th</sup> term as 81.

$$81 = (3)(r)^3$$

$$r^3 = 27$$

$\therefore r = 3$  (Taking real roots only)

For  $r = 3$ ,

$$G_1 = ar = (3)(3) = 9$$

$$G_2 = ar^2 = (3)(3)^2 = 27$$

Therefore, the two numbers which can be inserted between 3 and 81 so that the resulting sequence becomes a G.P are 9 and 27.