

PROGRESSIONS

Standard Results:

1. $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$
2. $1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$
3. $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right]^2$
4. $1 + 3 + 5 + \dots$ to n terms $= n^2$.
5. $2 + 4 + 6 + \dots$ to n terms $= n(n+1)$.
6. The sum of all possible products of the first n natural numbers taken two at a time is $\frac{1}{24}n(n^2-1)(3n+2)$
7. $\sum (2r-1)^2 = 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + 7^2 + \dots + (2n-1)^2 = \frac{n(4n^2-1)}{3}$
8. $\sum (2r-1)^3 = 1^3 + 3^3 + 5^3 + 7^3 + \dots + (2n-1)^3 = n^2(2n^2-1)$

References :

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- 2) http://www.careerbless.com/aptitude/qa/sequence_series_imp.php
- 3) <http://www.math10.com/forum/viewforum.php?f=7>
- 4) <http://www.math10.com/en/algebra/geometric-progression.html>
- 5) <http://www.math10.com/en/algebra/arithmetic-progression.html>
- 6) http://www.trans4mind.com/personal_development/mathematics/series/airthmeticGeometricSeries.htm
- 7) <https://brilliant.org/wiki/arithmetic-progressions/>

The first term is 8 and the common difference is d , where $d \neq 0$. The first term, the fifth term, and the eighth term of the progression are the first term, the

second term and the third term, respectively, of a geometric progression whose common ratio is r .

What are two equations connecting d and r , hence how do you show that $r = \frac{3}{4}$ and find the value of d ?

Also what is the sum to infinity of the geometric progression?

Also how do you find the sum of the first 8 terms of the arithmetic progression?

Questions -

http://questions.ascenteducation.com/iim_cat_mba_free_sample_questions_math_quant/arithmetic_geometric_progressions/

THEORY

<http://totalgadha.com/mod/forum/discuss.php?d=4233>

SOME PROBLEMS

http://www.analyzemath.com/math_problems/arith-seq-problems.html