

Sequences and series 3F

1 a i  $\sum_{r=1}^5 (3r+1) = 4+7+10+13+16$

ii  $S_5 = 50$

b i  $\sum_{r=1}^6 3r^2 = 3+12+27+48+75+108$

ii  $S_6 = 273$

c i  $\sum_{r=1}^5 \sin(90r^\circ) = 1+0+(-1)+0+1$

ii  $S_5 = 1$

d i  $\sum_{r=5}^8 2\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^r = -\frac{2}{243} + \frac{2}{729} - \frac{2}{2187} + \frac{2}{6561}$

ii  $S_4 = -\frac{40}{6561}$

2 a i  $2+4+6+8 = \sum_{r=1}^4 2r$

ii  $S_4 = 20$

b i  $2+6+18+54+162 = \sum_{r=1}^5 (2 \times 3^{r-1})$

ii  $S_5 = 242$

c i  $6+4.5+3+1.5+0-1.5 = \sum_{r=1}^6 \left(-\frac{3}{2}r + \frac{15}{2}\right)$

ii  $S_6 = 13.5$

3 a i  $7+13+19+\dots+157 = \sum_{r=1}^n (6r+1)$

$6n+1 = 157$   
 $n = 26$

ii  $\sum_{r=1}^{26} (6r+1)$

b i

$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{15} + \frac{4}{75} + \dots + \frac{64}{46875} = \sum_{r=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{3} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{r-1}\right)$

$\frac{1}{3} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{n-1} = \frac{64}{46875}$

$\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{n-1} = \frac{64}{15625}$

$n = \frac{\log(0.004096)}{\log(0.4)} + 1 = 7$

ii  $\sum_{r=1}^7 \left(\frac{1}{3} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{r-1}\right)$

c i  $8-1-10-19-\dots-127 = \sum_{r=1}^n (17-9r)$

$17-9n = -127$   
 $n = 16$

ii  $\sum_{r=1}^{16} (17-9r)$

4 a  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} (7-2r) = 5+3+1+\dots-33$

$a = 5, l = -33, n = 20$

$S_{20} = \frac{20}{2}(5-33)$   
 $= -280$

4 b  $\sum_{r=1}^{10} 3 \times 4^r = 12 + 48 + 192 + \dots + 3\,145\,728$

$a = 12, r = 4, n = 10$

$$S_{10} = \frac{12(4^{10} - 1)}{4 - 1}$$

$= 4\,194\,300$

c  $\sum_{r=1}^{100} (2r - 8) = -6 - 4 - 2 + \dots + 192$

$a = -6, l = 192, n = 100$

$$S_{100} = \frac{100}{2}(-6 + 192)$$

$= 9300$

d  $\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} 7\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^r = -\frac{7}{3} + \frac{7}{9} - \frac{7}{27} + \dots$

$a = -\frac{7}{3}, r = -\frac{1}{3}$

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{-\frac{7}{3}}{1 + \frac{1}{3}}$$

$= -\frac{7}{4}$

5 a  $\sum_{r=9}^{30} \left(5r - \frac{1}{2}\right) = 44\frac{1}{2} + 49\frac{1}{2} + \dots + 149\frac{1}{2}$

$a = 44\frac{1}{2}, l = 149\frac{1}{2}, n = 22$

$$S_{22} = \frac{22}{2} \left(44\frac{1}{2} + 149\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$= 2134$

b  $\sum_{r=100}^{200} (3r + 4) = 304 + 307 + 310 + \dots + 604$

$a = 304, l = 604, n = 101$

$$S_{101} = \frac{101}{2}(304 + 604)$$

$= 45\,854$

c

$$\sum_{r=5}^{100} 3 \times 0.5^r = 0.09375 + 0.046875 + 0.0234375 + \dots$$

$a = 0.09375, r = 0.5, n = 96$

$$S_{96} = \frac{0.09375(1 - 0.5^{96})}{1 - 0.5}$$

$= 0.1875$

d  $\sum_{i=5}^{100} 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + \dots + 1$

$a = 1, l = 1, n = 96$

$$S_{96} = \frac{96}{2}(1 + 1)$$

$= 96$

These are the answers to Q6 and Q7 in the 2020 update to the student book. The answers to the original questions are below.

6  $\sum_{r=1}^{30} (r + 2^r) = \sum_{r=1}^{30} r + \sum_{r=1}^{30} 2^r$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{30} r = \frac{30(30+1)}{2} = 465$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{30} 2^r = 2 + 4 + 8 + \dots$$

$a = 2, r = 2, n = 30$

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

$$S_{30} = \frac{2(2^{30} - 1)}{2 - 1} = 2\,147\,483\,646$$

So  $\sum_{r=1}^{30} (r + 2^r) = \sum_{r=1}^{30} r + \sum_{r=1}^{30} 2^r$

$= 465 + 2\,147\,483\,646$

$= 2\,147\,484\,111$

7  $\sum_{r=1}^{12} (2r - 5 + 3^r) = \sum_{r=1}^{12} (2r - 5) + \sum_{r=1}^{12} 3^r$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{12} (2r - 5) = (-3) + (-1) + 1 + \dots + 19$$

$a = -3, d = 2, n = 12$

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

$$S_{12} = \frac{12}{2}(2 \times (-3) + (12-1)(2)) = 96$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{12} 3^r = 3 + 9 + 27 + \dots$$

$$a = 3, r = 3, n = 12$$

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

$$S_{12} = \frac{3(3^{12} - 1)}{3 - 1} = 797160$$

So

$$\sum_{r=1}^{12} (2r - 5 + 3^r) = \sum_{r=1}^{12} (2r - 5) + \sum_{r=1}^{12} 3^r = 96 + 797160 = 797256$$

$$= \frac{(k-9)(-3-k)}{6k - k^2 + 27}$$

These are the answers to Q6 and Q7 in the original version of the student book.

$$6 \quad \sum_{r=1}^n 2r = 2 + 4 + 6 + \dots + 2n$$

$$a = 2, l = 2n$$

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

$$= n + n^2$$

$$7 \quad \sum_{r=1}^n 2r = n + n^2$$

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

$$a = 1, l = 2n - 1$$

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

$$= n^2$$

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

$$8 \quad \text{a} \quad \sum_{r=1}^k 4(-2)^r = -8 + 16 + \dots + 4(-2)^k$$

$$a = -8, r = -2$$

$$S_k = \frac{-8(1 - (-2)^k)}{1 + 2}$$

$$= \frac{8}{3}((-2)^k - 1)$$

$$\text{b} \quad \sum_{r=1}^k (100 - 2r) = 98 + 96 + \dots + (100 - 2k)$$

$$a = 98, l = 100 - 2k$$

$$S_k = \frac{k}{2}(98 + 100 - 2k)$$

$$= 99k - k^2$$

$$8 \quad \text{c} \quad \sum_{r=10}^k (7 - 2r) = -13 - 15 - \dots + (7 - 2k)$$

$$a = -13, l = 7 - 2k$$

$$S_{k-9} = \frac{k-9}{2}(-13 + 7 - 2k)$$

$$= \frac{(k-9)(-3-k)}{6k - k^2 + 27}$$

$$9 \quad \sum_{r=10}^{\infty} 200 \times \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^r =$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} 200 \times \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^r - \sum_{r=1}^{r=9} 200 \times \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^r$$

$$a = 50, r = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$S_{\infty} - S_9 = \frac{50}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} - \frac{50 \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^9\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{50 - 50 \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^9\right)}{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{200 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^9}{3}$$

$$= \frac{25}{98304}$$

$$10 \quad \text{a} \quad \sum_{r=1}^k (8 + 3r) = 11 + 14 + 17 + \dots + (8 + 3k)$$

$$a = 11, l = 8 + 3k, n = k$$

$$S_k = \frac{k}{2}(11 + 8 + 3k)$$

$$\frac{k}{2}(19 + 3k) = 377$$

$$19k + 3k^2 = 754$$

$$3k^2 + 19k - 754 = 0$$

$$(3k + 58)(k - 13) = 0$$

$$\text{b} \quad \text{As } k > 0, k = 13$$

$$11 \text{ a } \sum_{r=1}^k 2 \times 3^r = 59\,046$$

$$a = 6, r = 3$$

$$S_k = \frac{6(3^k - 1)}{3 - 1} = 59\,046$$

$$3(3^k - 1) = 59\,046$$

$$3^k = 19\,683$$

$$k \log 3 = \log 19\,683$$

$$k = \frac{\log 19\,683}{\log 3}$$

$$\text{As } \sum_{r=1}^{10} (a + (r-1)d) = \sum_{r=1}^{14} (a + (r-1)d)$$

$$5(2a + 9d) = 2(2a + 23d)$$

$$10a + 45d = 4a + 46d$$

$$d = 6a$$

$$b \quad k = 9$$

$$\sum_{r=10}^{13} 2 \times 3^r = \sum_{r=1}^{13} 2 \times 3^r - \sum_{r=1}^9 2 \times 3^r$$

$$= \frac{6(3^{13} - 1)}{3 - 1} - 59\,046$$

$$= 4\,782\,966 - 59\,046$$

$$= 4\,723\,920$$

$$12 \text{ a } r = 3x$$

As the series is convergent,  $|3x| < 1$

$$|x| < \frac{1}{3}$$

$$b \quad S_\infty = \frac{1}{1 - 3x} = 2$$

$$1 = 2(1 - 3x)$$

$$6x = 1$$

$$x = \frac{1}{6}$$

### Challenge

$$\sum_{r=1}^{10} (a + (r-1)d) = a + (a+d) + \dots + (a+9d)$$

$$= \frac{10}{2}(a + a + 9d)$$

$$= 5(2a + 9d)$$

$$\sum_{r=11}^{14} (a + (r-1)d) = (a + 10d) + \dots + (a + 13d)$$

$$= \frac{4}{2}(a + 10d + a + 13d)$$

$$= 2(2a + 23d)$$