



# Geometric series

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Find the sum of the first 20 terms.

[2]

2. The first three terms of a geometric sequence are  $u_1 = 0.64$ ,  $u_2 = 1.6$ , and  $u_3 = 4$ .

(a) Find the value of  $r$ .

[2]

(b) Find the value of  $S_6$ .

[2]

(c) Find the least value of  $n$  such that  $S_n > 75\,000$ .

[3]

3. The first term of a geometric sequence is 2 and the third term is 2.205.

Calculate the sum of the first 23 terms of the sequence.

4. In a geometric sequence, the fourth term is 8 times the first term. The sum of the first 10 terms is 2557.5. Find the 10th term of this sequence.

5. The sum of the first three terms of a geometric sequence is 62.755, and the sum of the infinite sequence is 440. Find the common ratio.

6. The fourth term,  $u_4$ , of a geometric sequence is 135. The fifth term,  $u_5$ , is 101.25.

Calculate the sum of the first 10 terms of the sequence.

[2 marks]

7. Consider the geometric sequence 16, 8,  $a$ , 2,  $b$ , ...

(a) Write down the common ratio.

[1 mark]

(b) Write down the value of

(i)  $a$ ;

(ii)  $b$ .

[2 marks]

(c) The sum of the first  $n$  terms is 31.9375. Find the value of  $n$ .

[3 marks]



8. Consider the sequence

512, 128, 32, 8, ...

- (a) Calculate the exact value of the ninth term of the sequence. *[3 marks]*
- (b) Calculate the least number of terms required for the sum of the sequence to be greater than 682.6 *[3 marks]*



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1. Consider the geometric sequence 2048, 1536, 1152, 864 ...

Find the sum of the first 20 terms.  $S_{20} = 8170$  [2]

2. The first three terms of a geometric sequence are  $u_1 = 0.64$ ,  $u_2 = 1.6$ , and  $u_3 = 4$ .

(a) Find the value of  $r$ .  $r = 2.5$  [2]

(b) Find the value of  $S_6$ .  $S_6 = 103.74$  [2]

(c) Find the least value of  $n$  such that  $S_n > 75\,000$ .  $n = 14$  [3]

3. The first term of a geometric sequence is 2 and the third term is 2.205.

Calculate the sum of the first 23 terms of the sequence.  $S_{23} = 82.9$

4. In a geometric sequence, the fourth term is 8 times the first term. The sum of the first 10 terms is 2557.5. Find the 10th term of this sequence.  $u_{10} = 1280$

5. The sum of the first three terms of a geometric sequence is 62.755, and the sum of the infinite sequence is 440. Find the common ratio.  $r = 0.95$

6. The fourth term,  $u_4$ , of a geometric sequence is 135. The fifth term,  $u_5$ , is 101.25.

Calculate the sum of the first 10 terms of the sequence.  $1207.9$  [2 marks]

7. Consider the geometric sequence 16, 8,  $a$ , 2,  $b$ , ...

(a) Write down the common ratio.  $0.5$  [1 mark]

(b) Write down the value of

(i)  $a$ ;  $4$

(ii)  $b$ .  $1$  [2 marks]

(c) The sum of the first  $n$  terms is 31.9375. Find the value of  $n$ .  $9$  [3 marks]



8. Consider the sequence

512, 128, 32, 8, ...

- (a) Calculate the exact value of the ninth term of the sequence.  $\frac{1}{128}$  [3 marks]
- (b) Calculate the least number of terms required for the sum of the sequence to be greater than 682.6 7 [3 marks]

