

P5-7: Geometric Sequences & Series

Honors Advanced Algebra

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Is the sequence geometric? If it is, what are a_1 and r ?

1. 2, 4, 8, 16, ...

2. 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, ...

3. $2^3, 2^7, 2^{11}, 2^{15}, \dots$

4. $1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$

What are the indicated terms of the geometric sequence?

5. The second term of the geometric sequence 3, __, 12, ...

6. The eighth term of the geometric sequence 10, 5, 2.5, ...

7. When radioactive substances decay, the amount remaining will form a geometric sequence when measured over constant intervals of time. The table below shows the amount of Np-240, a radioactive isotope of Neptunium, initially and after 2 hours. What are the amounts left after 1 hour, 3 hours and 4 hours?

Hours Elapsed	0	1	2	3	4
Grams of Np-240	1244		346		

Evaluate the sum of the finite geometric series.

8. $-5 - 10 - 20 - 40 - \dots - 2560$

9. $\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{40} + \frac{1}{80}$

10. $9 - 6 + 4 - \frac{8}{3} + \frac{16}{9}$