

Week 2 Geometric Series

a. Definition

$$a_1 = a, \quad a_2 = a \cdot r, \quad a_3 = a \cdot r^2, \quad a_4 = a \cdot r^3$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3 \cdot 2^n = 3 \cdot 2^0 + 3 \cdot 2^1 + 3 \cdot 2^2 + \dots$$

$$S_{\infty} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3 \cdot 2^{(n-1)}$$

S_n

b. N-th term formula

$$a_n = a_1 \cdot r^{n-1}$$

a_1

$$a_4 = -\sqrt[3]{a_2 \cdot a_6}$$

$$a_1 \cdot r^1 \cdot a_1 \cdot r^5 = \sqrt[3]{a_2 \cdot a_6}$$

$$\frac{r-x}{r-y} = \frac{r-x}{r-y} \cdot \frac{r-y}{r-y} = \frac{(r-x)(r-y)}{(r-y)^2}$$

$$S_n = \frac{a_1(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

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

$$S_n - r \cdot S_n = a_1 - a_1 r^n; S_n(1-r) = a_1(1-r^n)$$

$$S_n = \frac{a_1(1-r^n)}{1-r} = \frac{a_1(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

Sum of the infinite decreasing geometric sequence

$$a_1 = 1, \quad a_n = a_{n-1} \cdot \frac{1}{2}, \quad 0 < r < 1$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \dots, \quad 0 < |r| < 1$$

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a_1(1-r)}{1-r} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} = 2$$

$$S_n = \frac{a_1(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_1(1-r^n)}{1-r} \right) = \frac{a_1(1-0)}{1-r} = \frac{a_1}{1-r}$$