

Markscheme

Additional Practice

Series and Sequences (Non-Calculator)

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Mathematics: analysis and approaches

Higher level

1. This is an infinite geometric series with first term $-\frac{4}{3}$ and common ratio $-\frac{1}{3}$. A1A1

Use the infinite geometric series formula

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{-\frac{4}{3}}{1 - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)} = -1 \quad \text{M1A1}$$

2. (a) $\frac{1000}{1 - 0.1} = \frac{10000}{9}$ M1A1
- (b) $\frac{64}{1 - (-1/4)} = \frac{256}{5}$ M1A1
- (c) Does not exist because $r = -1.5$ which is less than -1 . A1R1

3. (a)

(i) $\frac{52}{100} = \frac{13}{25}$

M1A1

(ii) $\frac{1}{100}$

A1

(b) Use the infinite geometric series formula

$$x = \frac{\frac{13}{25}}{1 - \frac{1}{100}} = \frac{13}{25} \times \frac{100}{99} = \frac{52}{99}$$

M1A1A1

4. Write $0.\dot{8}\dot{5}$ as an infinite geometric series. M1

$$0.85 + 0.0085 + 0.000085 + \dots$$

So the first term is $\frac{85}{100}$ and the common ratio is $\frac{1}{100}$. A1A1

Substitute these values into the infinite geometric series formula. M1

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{\frac{85}{100}}{1 - \frac{1}{100}}$$

Simplify into a proper fraction

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{85}{99} \quad \text{A1}$$

Therefore it must be rational as it can be written as a fraction. R1

5. (a)
- (i) 2 A1
- (ii) 60 A1
- (b) We have
- $$4r^3 + 4r^2 + 4r + 4 = 60$$
- M1
- So
- $$r^3 + r^2 + r - 14 = 0$$
- A1
- Factorise
- $$(r - 2)(r^2 + 3r + 7) = 0$$
- A1
- Take the discriminant of the second factor
- M1
- $$3^2 - 4(1)(7) = -19$$
- This is negative so the second factor produces no more solutions.
- A1

6. (a) $\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + x^2}}{2} = \frac{x\sqrt{2}}{2}$ M1A1

(b) $\frac{\sqrt{\left(\frac{x\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)^2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2}}{2} = \frac{x}{2}$ M1A1

(c) The lengths of the base and height follow a geometric series with $r = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$. A1

The area of the largest triangle is $\frac{x^2}{2}$. A1

So we have

$$\frac{x^2/2}{1 - (\sqrt{2}/2)^2} = 100$$
 M1

So $x = 10$. A1

7. For $n = 1$ we have

$$\frac{t_1(1 - r^1)}{1 - r} = t_1 \quad \text{M1}$$

So it is true for $n = 1$. A1

Assume it is true for $n = k$. So

$$S_k = \frac{t_1(1 - r^k)}{1 - r} \quad \text{A1}$$

For $n = k + 1$ we have

$$S_{k+1} = t_{k+1} + S_k \quad \text{M1}$$

Using our inductive hypothesis this is equal to

$$t_1 r^k + \frac{t_1(1 - r^k)}{1 - r} \quad \text{A1}$$

Write as one fraction

$$\frac{t_1 r^k(1 - r) + t_1(1 - r^k)}{1 - r} \quad \text{M1}$$

Factorise

$$\frac{t_1(r^k - r^{k+1} + 1 - r^k)}{1 - r} \quad \text{A1}$$

Simplify

$$\frac{t_1(1 - r^{k+1})}{1 - r} \quad \text{A1}$$

So it is true for $n = k + 1$. A1

By the principle of mathematical induction it must be true for all positive integers n . A1

8. (a) This is an infinite geometric series with first term 1 and common ratio $-x$. R1

Its value is therefore $\frac{1}{1+x}$. A1

(b) We have
$$\frac{x+1+x+2}{(x+1)(x+2)} = \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{x+2}$$
 M1A1

(c) The first three terms of $\frac{1}{x+1}$ are
$$1 - x + x^2$$
 A1

The first three terms of $\frac{1}{x+2} = (x+2)^{-1}$ are

$$2^{-1} \left[1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{(-1)(-2)}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)^2 \right] = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{x}{4} + \frac{x^2}{8}$$
 M1A1

Adding these together gives

$$\frac{3}{2} - \frac{5x}{4} + \frac{9x^2}{8}$$
 A1

(d) The series for $\frac{1}{x+2}$ converges for $\left| \frac{x}{2} \right| < 1$ which gives $|x| < 2$. A1

The series for $\frac{1}{x+1}$ converges for $|x| < 1$.

So the whole series converges for $|x| < 1$. A1

9. (a)

(i) $5 + 7x + 9x^2 + 11x^3$ A1

(ii) $5x + 7x^2 + 9x^3 + 11x^4$ A1

(b) We have

$$f(x) - xf(x) = 5 + 2x + 2x^2 + 2x^3 + \cdots + 2x^{n-1} - (3 + 2n)x^n$$
 A1

Use the geometric series formula M1

$$f(x) - xf(x) = 5 - (3 + 2n)x^n + \frac{2x(1 - x^{n-1})}{1 - x}$$
 A1

(c) Factorise and rearrange

$$(1 - x)f(x) = 5 - (3 + 2n)x^n + \frac{2x(1 - x^{n-1})}{1 - x}$$
 M1

So

$$f(x) = \frac{5 - (3 + 2n)x^n}{1 - x} + \frac{2x(1 - x^{n-1})}{(1 - x)^2}$$
 A1

(d) We have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x^n = 0$ so the equation becomes

M1

$$f(x) = \frac{5 - (3 + 2n) \times 0}{1 - x} + \frac{2x(1 - 0)}{(1 - x)^2} = \frac{5}{1 - x} + \frac{2x}{(1 - x)^2}$$
 A1A1

(e) Replace x with $1/2$ in the expression from part (d)

M1

$$\frac{5}{1 - 1/2} + \frac{1}{(1 - 1/2)^2} = 10 + 4 = 14$$
 A1A1

10. (a) This is an infinite geometric series with common ratio r^2 . R1

Use the infinite geometric series formula to determine the sum. M1

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{1}{1 - (-x^2)} = \frac{1}{1 + x^2} \quad \text{A1}$$

(b) Let $y = \arctan x$. This gives $x = \tan y$. A1

Differentiate

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \sec^2 y \quad \text{A1}$$

Use the identity $\sin^2 y + \cos^2 y = 1$ to determine the relationship between $\tan y$ and $\sec y$. M1

$$\sin^2 y + \cos^2 y = 1$$

Divide by $\cos^2 y$.

$$\tan^2 y + 1 = \sec^2 y \quad \text{A1}$$

So

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \tan^2 y + 1 \quad \text{A1}$$

Replace $\tan y$ with x and rearrange. M1

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = x^2 + 1$$

So

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1 + x^2} \quad \text{A1}$$

(c) Replace $\frac{1}{1 + x^2}$ with its infinite geometric series and integrate. M1

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arctan x) = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \dots$$

So

$$\arctan x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k x^{2k+1}}{2k+1} \quad \text{A1}$$

(d) Since $\arctan \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} = \frac{\pi}{6}$ replace x with $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$. M1

This gives

$$\frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3^2 \times 3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3^3 \times 5} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3^4 \times 7} + \dots = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \times \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{3^k \times (2k+1)} \quad \text{A1A1}$$

So

$$\pi = 2\sqrt{3} \times \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{3^k \times (2k+1)} \quad \text{A1}$$

11. (a) Maria's first guess is 4 leaving three numbers from which to guess. Three is odd. A1
- Her next guess will leave one number. One is odd. A1
- So after each guess there is always an odd number of values remaining.
- (b) The next value is $2(2 \cdot 1 + 1) + 1 = 15$ M1A1
- The next value is $2 \cdot 15 + 1 = 31$ M1A1
- The next value is $2 \cdot 31 + 1 = 63$ M1A1
- (c) The value of x must take the form $2^n - 1$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. A1A1
- (d) When $n = 1$ there are $2^1 - 1 = 1$ values from which to choose. This is odd. A1
- So it is true for $n = 1$. A1
- Assume it is true for $n = k$. So values of x of the form $2^k - 1$ will always leave an odd number of values left from which to choose. A1
- If we begin with $2^{k+1} - 1$ values from which to choose then the first guess will result in the following number of values remaining from which to guess
- $$\frac{2^{k+1} - 1 + 1}{2} - 1 = 2^k - 1$$
- M1A1
- So by our inductive hypothesis it must also be true for $n = k + 1$. A1
- By the principle of mathematical induction it must be true for all positive integers n . R1

12. (a)

(i) $1 + x + x^2 + x^3$

A1

(ii) $1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 4x^3$

A1A1

- (b) The function $f(x)$ is an infinite geometric series with first term 1 and common difference x .

R1

Its value is therefore $\frac{1}{1-x}$.

A1

- (c) Use the chain rule.

M1

$$f'(x) = (-1) \left(-\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \right) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$$

A1A1

- (d) We have

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

A1

$$b = \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{36}$$

M1A1

- (e) This is an infinite geometric series with first term $1/6$ and common ratio $5/6$.

R1

Its value is therefore

$$\frac{1/6}{1 - 5/6} = \frac{1/6}{1/6} = 1$$

M1A1

- (f) We have

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{6} \left(1 + 2 \times \frac{5}{6} + 3 \times \left(\frac{5}{6} \right)^2 + 4 \times \left(\frac{5}{6} \right)^3 + \dots \right)$$

A1

Use the formula from part (c) to evaluate.

M1

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{(1 - 5/6)^2} = 6$$

A1A1

13. (a) Use the infinite geometric series formula M1

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} x^r = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

A1

(b)

(i) Use the chain rule

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$$

M1
A1

(ii) Use the chain rule

$$f''(x) = \frac{2}{(1-x)^3}$$

M1
A1

(c) We have

$$f'(x) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} r x^{r-1} = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} r x^{r-1} = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$$

A1

And

$$f''(x) = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} r(r-1)x^{r-2} = \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} r(r-1)x^{r-2} = \frac{2}{(1-x)^3}$$

A1

We therefore have

$$\sum_{r=2}^{\infty} r(r-1)x^{r-1} = \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} r^2 x^{r-1} - \sum_{r=2}^{\infty} r x^{r-1} = \frac{2x}{(1-x)^3}$$

M1A1

So

$$\sum_{r=2}^{\infty} r^2 x^{r-1} = \frac{2x}{(1-x)^3} + \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} - 1$$

M1

Giving

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} r^2 x^{r-1} = \frac{2x}{(1-x)^3} + \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} - 1 + 1 = \frac{2x}{(1-x)^3} + \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$$

A1

(d) $\frac{1}{6} \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{n-1}$ A1

(e)

(i) $E(X) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} r \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{r-1} = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{(1-5/6)^2} = 6$ M1A1A1

$$(ii) \quad \text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{r=1}^6 r^2 \left(\frac{5}{6} \right)^{r-1} = \frac{1}{6} \times \left(\frac{5/3}{(1-5/6)^3} + \frac{1}{(1-5/6)^2} \right) - 36 \quad \text{M1A1}$$

This is equal to 30. A1