

Week 2  
 P1.  $S = 5 + 9 + 13 + \dots + 89$  express the arithm. series in sigma notation.  
 Date:  $a_1 = 5$   
 $d = 4$   
 $a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$  — formula for finding general form  
 $89 = 5(n-1) \cdot 4$   
 $84 = 4(n-1)$   
 $n-1 = 21$   
 $n = 22$

Sigma notation:  $S = \sum_{k=1}^{22} [5 + (k-1) \cdot 4]$   
 ending value  
 starting value

P2. Rewrite the arithmetic series  $\sum_{k=3}^{15} (2k+1)$  to start at  $k=1$   
 Since this sum starts at 3, we introduce a new variable  $j$  so that our new summation is  $j=1$   
 $j = k-2$

when  $k=3$ , then  $j = 3-2=1$   
 when  $k=15$ , then  $j = 15-2=13$

Thus the limits of summation change:  $\sum_{j=1}^{13}$   
 Now express  $k$  in terms of  $j$   $k = j+2$

Substitute  $k=j+2$  in the formula. The formula is  $2k+1$

Substituting  $k=j+2$   $2(j+2)+1 = 2j+4+1 = 2j+5$

Now rewrite the summation in terms of  $j$   $\sum_{j=1}^{13} (2j+5)$

Recursive notation.

P3. An arithm. seq. is defined recursively by  $a_1 = 12$ ,  $a_n = a_{n-1} + d$ , if  $a_{10} = 57$   
 find the value of  $d$  & then find  $a_{25}$ .

1) find  $d$   $a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$   
 $a_{10} = 12 + (10-1)d = 12 + 9d = 57$   
 $9d = 45$   
 $d = 5$

2) find  $a_{25}$ .  
 $a_{25} = 12 + (25-1) \cdot 5 = 12 + 120 = 132$  If:  $d=5$ ,  $a_{25} = 132$

P4. Find the sum of all multiples of 7 between 100 & 1000.

$a_1 = 7 \times 15 = 105$  → First multiple above 100

$a_n = 7 \times 142 = 994$  → Last multiple below 1000

Number of terms  $n = \frac{a_n - a_1}{d} + 1 = \frac{994 - 105}{7} + 1 = 128$

Sum formula  $S = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_n) = \frac{128}{2}(105 + 994) = 64 \times 1099 = 70336$



P5.

$S = \sum_{k=1}^n (3k+2)$  find the value of  $n$  such that  $S = 2650$ .

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Date: 1) find the sum of arithmetic series.  $S = \frac{n}{2} [a_1 + a_n]$

Here

$$a_1 = 3(1) + 2 = 5$$

$$a_n = 3n + 2$$

$$\text{So, } S = \frac{n}{2} [5 + (3n + 2)] = \frac{n}{2} (3n + 7)$$

Set the sum equal to  $S = 2650$ .

$$\frac{n}{2} (3n + 7) = 2650$$

$$n(3n + 7) = 5300$$

$$3n^2 + 7n - 5300 = 0$$

Solve the quadratic equation.

$$n = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{7^2 - 4 \cdot 3 \cdot (-5300)}}{2 \cdot 3}$$

$$n = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49 + 63600}}{6}$$

$$n = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{63649}}{6}$$

Since  $n$  must be +, take the positive root.

$$n = \frac{-7 + \sqrt{63649}}{6} = \frac{-7 + 252.29}{6} \approx \frac{245.29}{6} \approx 40.88$$

Since  $n$  must be an integer  $n = 41$



P6. Arith. seq. the 5th term is 20, the 15th term is 60. show that the 10th term is the arith. mean of the 5th & 15th terms.

1) Use the formula for the  $n$ th term.  $a_n = a + (n-1) \cdot d$  (arith. seq.)  
for the 5th term  $a + (5-1) \cdot d = 20$   
 $a + 4d = 20$

for the 15th term  $a + (15-1) \cdot d = 60$   
 $a + 14d = 60$

2) Now subtract the 2 equations.  
 $(a + 14d) - (a + 4d) = 60 - 20$   
 $a + 14d - a - 4d = 40$   
 $10d = 40$   
 $d = 4$

3) Find  $a$ . Substitute  $d = 4$  into equation  $a + 4d = 20$   
 $a + 4(4) = 20$   
 $a + 16 = 20$   
 $a = 4$

4) Find the 10th term. Using the formula:  $a_{10} = a + (10-1) \cdot d$   
 $a_{10} = 4 + 9 \cdot 4$   
 $a_{10} = 4 + 36 = 40$

5. Show that  $a_{10}$  is the Arithmetic Mean  
The Arithmetic mean of the 5th & 15th terms:

$$\frac{a_5 + a_{15}}{2} = \frac{20 + 60}{2} = \frac{80}{2} = 40$$

Final answer.

$$a_{10} = \frac{a_5 + a_{15}}{2}$$

P7. A staircase has 20 steps. The first step is 5cm high, & each subsequent step is 0.5cm higher than the previous one. What is the total height of the staircase?

$$a = 5$$

$$d = 0.5$$

$$n = 20$$

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

$$S_{20} = \frac{20}{2} [2 \cdot 5 + (20-1) \cdot 0.5]$$

$$S_{20} = 10 [10 + 19 \cdot 0.5] = 10 \cdot 19.5 = 195 \text{ cm}$$

Answer the total height is 195cm



P8.

Sum of the first  $N$  terms

Date:  $a_1 = 11$   
 $d = 3$

What is the smallest value of  $n$  such that the sum  $S_n$  exceeds 1000.

Sum formula:  $S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a_1 + (n-1) \cdot d]$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} [22 + (n-1)3]$$

Simplify:  $S_n = \frac{n}{2} [22 + 3n - 3] = \frac{n}{2} [3n + 19]$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} [3n + 19]$$

Set  $S_n > 1000$

$$\frac{n(3n+19)}{2} > 1000$$

$$n(3n+19) > 2000$$

$$3n^2 + 19n - 2000 > 0$$

Solve the quadratic inequality using quadratic formula.

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \quad \text{discriminant}$$

$$n = \frac{-19 \pm \sqrt{19^2 - 4(3)(-2000)}}{2(3)} \approx \frac{-19 \pm 156.08}{6}$$

$$n = \frac{-19 \pm \sqrt{361 + 24000}}{6} = \frac{-19 \pm \sqrt{24361}}{6}$$

$$n = \frac{-19 \pm 156.08}{6} \approx \frac{137.03}{6} \approx 22.84$$

Since  $n$  must be an integer, the smallest int.  $n = 23$

Check  $n = 23$ :  $S_{23} = \frac{23(3 \cdot 23 + 19)}{2} = \frac{23(69 + 19)}{2} = \frac{23 \times 88}{2} = 23 \cdot 44 = 1012$

So, the smallest integer satisfying the cond is  $n = 23$ .

P9? Shifting Index in Sigma notation

Rewrite  $\sum_{k=3}^{12} 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k$  as a sum starting from  $k=0$

let  $j = k - 3$  when  $k=3$ ,  $j=0$ , when  $k=12$ ,  $j=9$

Rewriting:  $\sum_{k=3}^{12} 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k = \sum_{j=0}^9 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{j+3} = \sum_{j=0}^9 4\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j = \sum_{j=0}^9 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j \cdot \frac{1}{2}$

Simplify:  $\sum_{j=0}^9 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j \times \frac{1}{2} = \sum_{j=0}^9 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{j+1}$



P10. N<sup>th</sup> Term Formula  
 Find 10<sup>th</sup> term of geometric sequence if  $a_2 = -6$  &  $a_5 = 48$   
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 $a_n = a_1 r^{n-1}$   
 common ratios: 2, 6, 8, 54  
 $a_1 = 2$   
 $r = 3$

from  $a_2$   $-6 = a_1 r^1$   
 from  $a_5$   $+48 = a_1 r^4$

Divide equation (2) by equation 1

$$\frac{+48}{-6} = \frac{a_1 r^4}{a_1 r^1} = \frac{-8}{r^3} = r^3$$

$$r^3 = -8$$

$$r = -2$$

Now find  $a_1$   $-6 = a_1 (-2)$   
 $a_1 = 3$

find  $a_{10} = 3(-2)^9 = 3 \cdot (-512) = -1536$  Answer  $a_{10} = -1536$

P11. Finding Common Ratio

In geomet. seq.  $a_4 = 54$   $a_7 = 1458$   $r = ?$

Divide  $a_7$  by  $a_4$  using  $a_n = a_1 r^{n-1}$

$$\frac{a_7}{a_4} = \frac{a_1 r^6}{a_1 r^3} = r^3$$

$$\frac{1458}{54} = r^3$$

$$r^3 = 27$$

$$r = 3$$

P12. Sum of the 1st N Terms

Calculate the sum of the 1st 15 terms of the geom. seq. where  $a_1 = 8$

&  $r = \frac{3}{4}$

Use the sum formula:  $S_n = a_1 \frac{1-r^n}{1-r}$

Compute  $r^{15}$   $r^{15} = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{15}$

Compute  $S_{15}$   $S_{15} = 8 \frac{1 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{15}}{1 - \frac{3}{4}} = 8 \frac{1 - r^{15}}{\frac{1}{4}} = 32(1 - r^{15})$   
 $\approx 32 \times 1 \approx 32$

answer is  $S_{15} \approx 32$



P13.

Definitions.

Date:  $P(x) = x^5 - 4x^3 + x^2 - 7$   
terms.

classify it by degree & number

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Degree: 5 (the highest exponent)

Number of terms: 4 (quartic)

P14.

Adding Polynomials.

$$(2x^4 - 3x^3 + x - 5) + (x^3 - 2x^2 + 4x + 7)$$

$$2x^4 + (-3x^3 + x^3) + (-2x^2) + (x + 4x) + (-5 + 7) = 2x^4 - 2x^3 - 2x^2 + 5x + 2$$

Answer:  $2x^4 + 2x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x + 2$

P15.

Multiplying Polynomials.

Find the product.  $(x^2 - x + 2)(x^2 + x + 1)$

$$x^2(x^2 + x + 1) + (-x)(x^2 + x + 1) + 2(x^2 + x + 1) = x^4 + x^3 + x^2 - x^3 - x^2 - x + 2x^2 + 2x + 2 = x^4 + 2x^2 + x + 2$$

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P-16.

GCD & LCM of Monomials.

Find GCD & LCM of  $24x^3y^2z^5$  &  $36x^5y^3z^2$

GCD

Coefficient GCD: gcd(24, 36) = 12

Variables:  $x^3, y^2, z^2$  (min. exponents)

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LCM:

Coefficient LCM: lcm(24, 36) = 72

Variables:  $x^5, y^3, z^5$  (max. exponents)

Answer: GCD is  $12x^3y^2z^2$ , LCM is  $72x^5y^3z^5$

P-17.

Factoring quadratics.

Factor  $x^4 - 13x^2 + 36$

let  $u = x^2$

$$u^2 - 13u + 36 = 0$$

factor:  $(u - 9)(u - 4) = 0$

Back to x:  $(x^2 - 9)(x^2 - 4) = (x - 3)(x + 3) \cdot (x - 2)(x + 2)$

Answer:  $(x - 3)(x + 3)(x - 2)(x + 2)$

P-18.

Special binomial Products

Expand  $(2x + 3y)^5$  using the Binomial Theorem.

Using  $(a + b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k$

Compute terms for  $n = 5$

1)  $k = 0$ :  $\binom{5}{0} (2x)^5 (3y)^0 = 1 \times 32x^5 \times 1 = 32x^5$



number of

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

where  $n!$  ( $n$  factorial) means  $n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdot \dots \cdot 1$   
 $k!$  is the factorial of  $k$

$(n-k)!$  is the factorial of  $(n-k)$   
 So, we have  $n=5$  & we calculate  $\binom{5}{k}$  for diff. values of  $k$ .

$$\binom{5}{0} = \frac{5!}{0!(5-0)!} = \frac{5!}{0!5!} \quad \text{since } 0! = 1 \text{ \& } 5! \text{ cancels out; } \binom{5}{0} = \frac{1}{1} = 1.$$

$$2) k=1 \quad \binom{5}{1} (2x)^4 (3y)^1 = 5 \cdot 16x^4 \cdot 3y = 240x^4y$$

$$3) k=2 \quad \binom{5}{2} (2x)^3 (3y)^2 = 10 \cdot 8x^3 \cdot 9y^2 = 720x^3y^2$$

$$4) k=3 \quad \binom{5}{3} (2x)^2 (3y)^3 = 10 \cdot 4x^2 \cdot 27y^3 = 1080x^2y^3$$

$$5) k=4 \quad \binom{5}{4} (2x)^1 (3y)^4 = 5 \cdot 2x \cdot 81y^4 = 810xy^4$$

$$6) k=5 \quad \binom{5}{5} (2x)^0 (3y)^5 = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 243y^5 = 243y^5$$

Combine:  $(2x+3y)^5 = 32x^5 + 240x^4y + 720x^3y^2 + 1080x^2y^3 + 810xy^4 + 243y^5$   
 Answer:

P-19. Divide  $6x^3 + 11x^2 - 31x + 15$  by  $3x-2$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6x^3 + 11x^2 - 31x + 15 \quad | \quad 3x-2 \\ -(6x^3 + 4x^2) \quad | \quad 2x+5x+7 \\ \hline 7x^2 - 31x \quad | \quad \\ -(7x^2 - 10x) \quad | \quad \\ \hline -21x + 15 \quad | \quad \\ -(-21x + 14) \quad | \quad \\ \hline 1 \text{ remainder.} \end{array}$$

Try using sum of cubes + ?

P-20. The remainder theorem

If a polynomial  $f(x)$  is divided by  $x-k$ , then the remainder is the value  $f(k)$   
 List all possible rational zeros of  $f(x) = 2x^4 - 5x^3 - x^2 - 4$   
 states, that any rational root  $\frac{p}{q}$  must be factor of the constant term divided by a factor of the leading coefficient.

- 1) Identify factors of constant & leading coefficient.  
 • Constant term =  $-4$  Factors of  $-4$ :  $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4$   
 • Leading coefficient =  $2$  Factors of  $2$ :  $\pm 1, \pm 2$

2) List Possible Rational Roots

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Factors of constant term} &= \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4 \\ \text{F. of leading coeff.} &= \pm 1, \pm 2 \\ \text{Since } \frac{2}{2} = 1 \quad \frac{4}{2} = 2 \text{ are already listed, the final list of p.r. zeros:} \\ &= \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4; \pm \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$