

Closed forms for sums

Closed form for the sum of terms in an arithmetic sequence

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (a + kd) = an + \frac{d(n-1)n}{2}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (a + kd) = a(n+1) + \frac{dn(n+1)}{2}$$

Closed form for the sum of terms in a geometric sequence

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a \cdot r^k = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n a \cdot r^k = \frac{a(r^{n+1} - 1)}{r - 1}$$