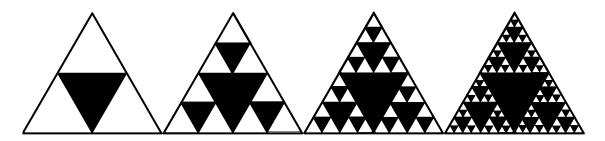
**Exercise 1.** Consider the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n^3}}{n^{5r}}$  where r is a real number and do the following:

- I) Identify the general term of the series and simplify it.
- II) Is our series a p-series? How can you justify that?
- III) State the convergence result for p series. This means, given ANY p-series  $\sum \frac{1}{n^p}$ , for what values of p will that converge?
- IV) Determine for which values of r will our series converge. [Hint: The answer to this item is NOT the same as the last item.]

**Exercise 2** (Filling a triangle). Consider an empty triangle of area A which we start filling with smaller triangles. The objective of this question is to determine if we can fill completely the triangle in question.



We start adding a triangle with area  $a_1 = \frac{A}{4}$  in the middle, then the second step adds 3 triangles of area  $\left(\frac{A/4}{4}\right) = \frac{A}{16}$ . So in total we are adding an area of  $a_2 = \frac{3A}{16}$ .

- I) In the third step, how many triangles do we add? What is the area of each of the new smaller triangles? In total how much area  $a_3$  are we adding in the third step?
- II) Derive a formula for the area added  $a_n$  at the  $n^{\text{th}}$  step by considering how many triangles are we adding and the area of each of those new triangles.
- III) As a sequence, is  $a_n$  geometric? If it is, what's is initial term and common ratio?
- IV) Consider the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ , in terms of area, what does this series represent? What do the partial sums represent?
- v) Write an expression for the partial sums of this series.
- VI) Using the information above, determine if we fill up the triangle.