

Series - Chapter 3, Core Pure 1

Factorising Techniques

$$ac + ad + bc + bd$$

$$x^2 + x + ax + a$$

$$c^3 - 4c^2 - c + 4$$

$$(2n + 4)(n - 1) - (n - 3)(n - 1)$$

1. $xy + x + y + 1 =$

6. $(3x - 2)(x + 1) - (x + 1)(2x - 3) =$

2. $2(x + 1) - x(x + 1) =$

7. $x^3 + x^2 - x - 1 =$

3. $x^2 + xy + 2x + 2y =$

8. $5x^3 + x^2 - 20x - 4 =$

4. $x^2 - 2y + 2x - xy =$

9. $3x^2 + 8x + 4 =$

5. $xy + 2x - y^2 - 2y =$

10. $6x^2 + x - 1 =$

Factorise fully:

$$(k + 1) + (k + 1)(k + 2)$$

$$k^2(2k - 1) + 10k - 5$$

$$2(k + 1)^3 + k^2(k + 1)^2 - (k + 1)^2$$

Can you come up with another question that uses a similar idea to these ones?

Sigma Notation

$$\sum_{r=1}^3 (5r + 4) =$$

$$\sum_{r=3}^7 (r^2 - r + 1) =$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 =$$

Can you express these series using sigma notation?

a) $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6$

b) $7 + 8 + 9 + 10 + 11 + 12$

c) $1 + 4 + 9 + 16 + 25 + 36$

d) $5 + 8 + 11 + 14 + 17 + 20 + 23 + 26$

e) $25 + 15 + 5 - 5$

Sums of 'ones'

$$\sum_{r=1}^n 1$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n 5$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n k$$

Sums of integers

The sum of the first n natural numbers is:

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$$

Why?

$$1$$

$$1 + 2$$

$$1 + 2 + 3$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10 + 11$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10 + 11 + 12$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$$

Why does this formula work?



Gauss worked this out at primary school!

In your head if you can...

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 10 =$$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 99 =$$

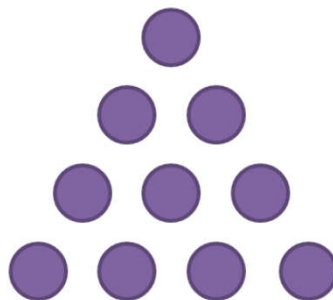
$$11 + 12 + 13 + \dots + 20 =$$

$$100 + 101 + 102 + \dots + 200 =$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$$

Sum up to 20, but get rid of everything up to 10:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} \times 20 \times 21\right) - \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times 11\right)$$



How are these two series different?

$$\sum_{r=1}^{50} r =$$

$$\sum_{r=21}^{50} r =$$

If the starting point is not 1, you will need to subtract everything BELOW the starting point

$$\sum_{r=5}^{2N-1} r = 2N^2 - N - 10, N \geq 3.$$

Show that $\sum_{r=n}^{3n} r = 2n(2n + 1)$

Breaking Up Summations

How about if we wanted to find sums of more complicated series?

$$\sum_{r=1}^{13} 3r + 4 =$$

Show that:

$$\sum_{r=1}^{n+2} 4r - 6 = 2n(n + 2)$$

Hence evaluate:

$$\sum_{r=10}^{102} 4r - 6 =$$

Sums of Squares and Cubes

$$\sum_{r=1}^n 1 = n$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n k = kn$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^3 = \frac{1}{4}n^2(n+1)^2$$

Do you spot any relationship between r^2 and r^3 ?

Evaluate:

$$\sum_{r=13}^{24} r^2 =$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{20} r^3 =$$

a) Show that:

$$\sum_{r=n+1}^{2n} r^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(2n+1)(7n+1)$$

b) Verify that the result is true for $n = 1$ and $n = 2$.

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Challenge on the boards

Show that:

$$\sum_{r=1}^n (r^2 + r - 2) = \frac{1}{3}n(n+4)(n-1)$$

Hence find the sum of the series

$$4 + 10 + 18 + 28 + 40 + \dots + 418$$

Last example

Show that
$$\sum_{r=1}^n r(r+3)(2r-1) = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(3n^2 + an + b)$$

where a and b are integers to be found.

Hence calculate

$$\sum_{r=11}^{40} r(r+3)(2r-1).$$

Ex 3B Q 7 - 14

Equations with sigmas on both sides

Find the value of n that satisfies
$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \sum_{r=1}^{n+1} (9r + 1)$$

5. (a) Use the standard results for $\sum_{r=1}^n r$ and $\sum_{r=1}^n r^2$ to show that

$$\sum_{r=1}^n (r+2)(r+3) = \frac{1}{3}n(n^2 + 9n + 26)$$

for all positive integers n .

(6)

- (b) Hence show that

$$\sum_{r=n+1}^{3n} (r+2)(r+3) = \frac{2}{3}n(an^2 + bn + c)$$

where a , b and c are integers to be found.

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- (a) Use the results for $\sum_{r=1}^n r$, $\sum_{r=1}^n r^2$ and $\sum_{r=1}^n r^3$, to prove that

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r(r+1)(r+5) = \frac{1}{4} n(n+1)(n+2)(n+7)$$

for all positive integers n .

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- (b) Hence, or otherwise, find the value of

$$\sum_{r=20}^{50} r(r+1)(r+5).$$

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6. (a) Prove by induction that for all positive integers n ,

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$$

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- (b) Use the standard results for $\sum_{r=1}^n r^3$ and $\sum_{r=1}^n r$ to show that for all positive integers n ,

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r(r+6)(r-6) = \frac{1}{4}n(n+1)(n-8)(n+9)$$

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- (c) Hence find the value of n that satisfies

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r(r+6)(r-6) = 17 \sum_{r=1}^n r^2$$

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