

CBSE Test Paper 02
CH-09 Sequences and Series

1. The product of first n odd terms of a G.P. whose middle term is m is
 - a. none of these
 - b. m^n
 - c. n^m
 - d. mn
2. Sum of an infinitely many terms of a G.P. is 3 times the sum of even terms. The common ratio of the G.P. is
 - a. 2
 - b. $\frac{3}{2}$
 - c. none of these
 - d. $\frac{1}{2}$
3. The sum of terms equidistant from the beginning and end in A.P. is equal to
 - a. last term
 - b. 0
 - c. first term
 - d. sum of the first and the last terms
4. If $a \in \mathbb{R}$, then the roots of the equation $\tan x = a$ are in G.P for what values of a
 - a. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, 1, \sqrt{3}$
 - b. 1,0,-1
 - c. H.P.
 - d. none of these
5. If a, b, c are in A. P. as well as in G.P.; then
 - a. $a = b \neq c$
 - b. $a \neq b = c$
 - c. $a = b = c$
 - d. $a \neq b \neq c$
6. Fill in the blanks:

If $\sum n = 210$, then $\sum n^2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

7. Fill in the blanks:

A.M between $x - 3$ and $x + 5$ is _____.

8. Find the three terms of an AP whose sum is 9 and common difference is 1.

9. Which term of the sequence $\sqrt{3}, 3, 3\sqrt{3}, \dots$ is 729?

10. Which term of the sequence $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{9}, \frac{1}{27}, \dots$ is $\frac{1}{19683}$?

11. Let the sequence a_n is defined as follows $a_1 = 2, a_n = a_{n-1} + 3$ for $n \geq 2$. Find the first five terms and write corresponding series.

12. For what values of x , the numbers $\frac{-2}{7}, x, \frac{-7}{2}$ are in G.P.?

13. If a, b, c are in A.P.; b, c, d are in G.P. and $\frac{1}{c}, \frac{1}{d}, \frac{1}{e}$ are in A.P., prove that a, c, e are in G.P.

14. In an A.P., if p^{th} term is $\frac{1}{q}$ and q^{th} term is $\frac{1}{p}$, prove that the sum of first pq terms is $\frac{1}{2}(pq + 1)$, where $p \neq q$.

15. If in an A.P. the sum of m terms is equal to n and the sum of n terms is equal to m , then prove that the sum of $(m + n)$ terms is $-(m + n)$. Also, find the sum of the first $(m - n)$ terms ($m > n$).

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Solution

1. (b) m^n

Explanation:

Let the terms in a GP be a, ar, ar^2, ar^3, \dots

Product of odd number of terms (let number of terms be 'n', n is odd)

$$= a \cdot ar \cdot ar^2 \cdot ar^3 \dots ar^{n-1}$$

$$= a^n \cdot (1 \cdot r \cdot r^2 \cdot r^3 \dots r^{n-1})$$

$$= a^n \cdot r^{1+2+3+\dots+n-1}$$

$$= a^n \cdot r^{\frac{(n-1)n}{2}} \text{ [The sum of first n natural numbers} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \text{]}$$

$$\text{We have the middle term} = m = ar^{\frac{(n-1)}{2}} \dots \text{(i)}$$

$$\therefore \text{Product of odd number of terms} = a^n \cdot r^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} = \left(ar^{\frac{(n-1)}{2}} \right)^n = m^n \text{ [using (i)]}$$

2. (d) $\frac{1}{2}$

Explanation:

Consider the infinite G.P a, ar, ar^2, ar^3, \dots with first term a and common ratio r

Then the even terms ar, ar^3, ar^5, \dots is again an infinite G.P with first term ar and common ratio r^2

$$\text{We have } S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

Given $S_\infty = 3$. Sum of even terms

$$\Rightarrow a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots = 3. [ar + ar^3 + ar^5 + \dots]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{1-r} = 3 \cdot \frac{ar}{1-r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1-r} = 3 \cdot \frac{r}{(1-r)(1+r)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(1+r) = 3 \cdot r$$

$$\Rightarrow 2r = 1 \Rightarrow r = \frac{1}{2}$$

3. (d) sum of the first and the last terms

Explanation:

Let the first term of the A.P be a , last term be l and the common difference be d

Now the A.P will be of the form $a, a + d, a + 2d, \dots, l - 2d, l-d, l$

Sum of two term equidistant from the beginning and end (say r+1 t term) = $a+r d+b-r$

$d=a+b =$ sum of the first term and last term

4. (a) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, 1, \sqrt{3}$

Explanation:

We have $\tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \tan 45^\circ = 1$ and $\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$

Also we have $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, 1, \sqrt{3}$ are in G.P

5. (c) $a = b = c$

Explanation:

a,b,c are in A.P, $2b = a + c$(i)

a,b,c are in G.P, $b^2 = ac$(ii)

from (i) and (ii), we get

$$\left(\frac{a+c}{2}\right)^2 = ac$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + c)^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a - c)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow a = c$$

using $a=c$ in (ii)

$$2b = c + c$$

$$\Rightarrow b = c$$

so, $a=b=c$

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7. $x + 1$

8. Let the three terms of AP are $a - d, a$ and $a + d$.

$$\therefore a - d + a + a + d = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a = 9 \Rightarrow a = 3$$

Also, $d = 1$ [given]

\therefore Required terms are $3 - 1, 3, 3 + 1$

i.e. 2, 3, 4

9. Here $a = \sqrt{3}$, $r = \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{3}$ and $a_n = 729$

$$\therefore a_n = ar^{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 729 = \sqrt{3} \times (\sqrt{3})^{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{3})^{12} = (\sqrt{3})^n$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 12$$

Therefore, 12th term of the given G.P. is 729.

10. Here $a = \frac{1}{3}$, $r = \frac{1}{9} \div \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ and $a_n = \frac{1}{19683}$

$$\therefore a_n = ar^{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{19683} = \frac{1}{3} \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^9 = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 9$$

Therefore, 9th term of the given G.P. is $\frac{1}{19683}$

11. We have, $a_1 = 2$, and $a_n = a_{n-1} + 3$

On putting $n = 2$, we get

$$a_2 = a_1 + 3 = 2 + 3 = 5$$

On putting $n = 3$, we get

$$a_3 = a_2 + 3 = 5 + 3 = 8$$

On putting $n = 4$, we get

$$a_4 = a_3 + 3 = 8 + 3 = 11$$

On putting $n = 5$, we get

$$a_5 = a_4 + 3 = 11 + 3 = 14$$

Thus, first five terms of given sequence are 2, 5, 8, 11 and 14.

Also, corresponding series is 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17.....

12. Given, $\frac{-2}{7}$, x , $\frac{-7}{2}$ are in G.P.

$$\therefore \frac{x}{\frac{-2}{7}} = \frac{\frac{-7}{2}}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{-2}{7} \times \frac{-7}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

Therefore, for $x = \pm 1$ th given numbers are in G.P.

13. Since, a, b, c are in A.P.

$$\therefore b - a = c - b$$

$$\Rightarrow 2b = a + c$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{a+c}{2}$$

Since, b, c, d are in G.P.

$$\therefore \frac{c}{b} = \frac{d}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = bd \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Also $\frac{1}{c}, \frac{1}{d}, \frac{1}{e}$ are in A.P.

$$\therefore \frac{1}{d} - \frac{1}{c} = \frac{1}{e} - \frac{1}{d}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{d} = \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{e}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{d} = \frac{c+e}{ce}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{2ce}{c+e}$$

Putting values of b and d in eq. (i), $c^2 = \left(\frac{c+a}{2}\right) \left(\frac{2ce}{c+e}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = \frac{ce(c+a)}{c+e}$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2(c+e) = ec(c+a)$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 + ce = ce + ae$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = ae \text{ which shows that } a, c, e \text{ are in G.P.}$$

14. Let a be the first term and d be the common difference of given A.P.

$$\text{And } a_p = \frac{1}{q} \text{ and } a_q = \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\therefore a + (p-1)d = \frac{1}{q} \text{ and } a + (q-1)d = \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow a + pd - d = \frac{1}{q} \dots\dots(i) \text{ and } a + qd - d = \frac{1}{p} \dots\dots(ii)$$

Subtracting eq. (ii) from eq. (i), we get

$$a + pd - d - (a + qd - d) = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow pd - d - a - qd + d = \frac{p-q}{pq}$$

$$\Rightarrow (p-q)d = \frac{p-q}{pq}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{p-q}{pq} \times \frac{1}{p-q} = \frac{1}{pq}$$

Putting value of d in eq. (i), we get

$$a + p\frac{1}{pq} - d = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\Rightarrow a + \frac{1}{q} - d = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{q} + d - \frac{1}{q} = d = \frac{1}{pq}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{pq}{2} \left[2 \times \frac{1}{pq} + (pq-1) \times \frac{1}{pq} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{pq}{2} \left[\frac{2}{pq} + \frac{pq-1}{pq} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{pq}{2} \left[\frac{2+pq-1}{pq} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{pq}{2} \left[\frac{1+pq}{pq} \right] = \frac{pq+1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{pq} = \frac{1}{2}(pq+1)$$

15. Let a be the first term and d be the common difference of the given A.P. Then,

$$S_m = n \Rightarrow \frac{m}{2} \{2a + (m-1)d\} = n \Rightarrow 2am + m(m-1)d = 2n \dots\dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } \Rightarrow S_n = m \Rightarrow \frac{m}{2} \{2a + (m-1)d\} = m \Rightarrow 2an + n(n-1)d = 2m \dots\dots(ii)$$

Subtracting (ii) from (i), we get

$$2a(m-n) + \{m(m-1) - n(n-1)\}d = 2n - 2m$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a(m-n) + \{(m^2 - n^2) - (m-n)\}d = -2(m-n)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + (m+n-1)d = -2 \text{ [On dividing both sides by } (m-n) \text{]} \dots(\text{iii})$$

$$\text{Now, } S_{m+n} = \frac{m+n}{2} \{2a + (m+n-1)d\}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{m+n} = \frac{(m+n)}{2} (-2) \text{ [Using (iii)]}$$

$$\therefore S_{m+n} = (m+n)$$

From (iii), we obtain

$$2a = -2 - (m+n-1)d \dots(\text{iv})$$

Substituting this value of 2a in (i), we obtain

$$-2m - m(m+n-1)d + m(m-1)d = 2n$$

$$\Rightarrow d = -2 \left(\frac{m+n}{mn} \right) \dots(\text{v})$$

Putting $d = -2 \left(\frac{m+n}{mn} \right)$ in (iv), we obtain

$$2a = -2 + \frac{2}{mn} (m+n-1)(m+n) \dots(\text{vi})$$

Now,

$$S_{m-n} = \frac{m-n}{2} \{2a + (m-n-1)d\}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{m-n} = \frac{m-n}{2} \left\{ -2 + \frac{2}{mn} (m+n-1)(m+n) - \frac{2}{mn} (m-n-1)(m+n) \right\} \text{ [Using (v) and (vi)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{m-n} = \left\{ -2 + \frac{4n}{mn} (m+n) \right\} = \frac{1}{m} (m-n)(m+2n)$$