

Pre-Calculus
Sec. 10.3 (day 2)
Geometric
Sequences and Series

More Formulas to Memorize:

Formula for the Partial Sum of a Geometric Series:

$$S_n = \frac{a_1(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

Formula for the Infinite Sum of a Geometric Series:

$$S = \frac{a}{1-r} \quad \text{where } |r| < 1 \text{ for the series to converge to a specific value.}$$

If $|r| \geq 1$ then the series diverges and there is NO infinite sum.

Ex1) Use summation notation to write the sum of
 $7 + 14 + 28 + \dots + 896$, then find the sum.

Ex2) Find the sum of the infinite geometric series:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 6 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$$

Ex3) Find the sum of the infinite geometric series:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 8 \left(\frac{5}{3} \right)^{n-1}$$

Ex4) $1.\overline{23}$

a) Rewrite the number as an infinite geometric series.

b) Find the rational number representation of the repeating decimal.

Ex5) $0.5\bar{4}$

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