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Algebra II



Finding the Sum of a Geometric Series (Explicit Notation)

1. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the sequence $3+6+12+24\dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first ten terms.

2. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the series $3+15+75+375 + \dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first eight terms.

3. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the sequence
 $4 - 12 + 36, -108\dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first twelve terms.

4. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the series $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} + 1 + 2 + \dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first nine terms.

5. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the sequence $1- 3 + 9 - 27\dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first sixteen terms.

6. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the series $-4 - 8 - 16 - 32 - \dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first twenty terms.

7. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the sequence
 $128 + 64 + 32 + 16 \dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first eighteen terms.

8. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the series $7 - 42 + 252 - 1512 + \dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first fifteen terms.

9. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the sequence $\frac{1}{16} - \frac{1}{4} + 1 - 4 \dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first ten terms.

10. Write an explicit equation to find the sum of the first n terms of the sequence
 $3 - 12 + 48 - 192 + \dots$
Use your formula to find the sum of the first thirteen terms.