

SEQUENCE AND SERIES

Arithmetic Progression  
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 Common difference

Calc  
 $a_n = a + (n-1)d$

Calc  
 $S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d]$   
 or  
 $S_n = \frac{n}{2} [a + a_n]$

Sum of 3 terms  
 4 terms  
 5 terms  
 a-d, a, a+d  
 or  
 a, b, c  
 Calc  
 $a_2 = ?$   $a_4 = ?$   
 $a_n =$   
 general  
 A.P.  
 a and d  
 Calc

A.M

Single

$\frac{a+b}{2}$

More than one

$d = \frac{b-a}{n+1}$   
 $n = \text{No of A.M's}$   
 or Calc

Geometric Progression  
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 Common Ratio

Calc  
 $a_n = ar^{n-1}$

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

$S_0 = \frac{a}{1-r} \quad r < 1$

Product of  
 3 terms,  
 4 terms  
 a, a, a  
 $\frac{a}{r}, a, ar$   
 or  
 a, b, c  
 Calc  
 $a_2 = ?$   $a_4 = ?$   
 $a_n =$  or  
 General G.P.  
 a or r.  
 Calc

G.M

Single

$\sqrt[n]{ab}$

More than one

$r = \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$   
 $n = \text{No of G.M's}$   
 or Calc

Sum of n A.M's =  
 $n \cdot \text{Single A.M.}$   
 $n \cdot \frac{(a+b)}{2}$

Product of  
 n G.M's =  
 $(\text{Single G.M.})^n$   
 $(ab)^{\frac{n}{2}}$

Some Important Formulae

$1+2+3+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$   
 $1^2+2^2+3^2+\dots+n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$   
 $1^3+2^3+3^3+\dots+n^3 = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^2$   
 $1+3+5+\dots+n = n^2$   
 $2+4+6+\dots+n = n(n+1)$

$S_n = Pn^2 + Qn$

$a = P + Q$   
 $d = 2P$

$a_n = Pn + Q$

$a = P + Q$   
 $d = P$