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Recap:

sequences: ordered list of numbers

Arithmetic sequences

$d$  = common difference

ex:  $\{10, 13, 16, 19, \dots\}$

$$a_{n+1} = a_n + d; \quad a_1 =$$

$$f(n) = d(n-1) + a_1$$

Geometric sequences

$r$  = common ratio

ex:  $\{2, 6, 18, 54, \dots\}$

$$a_{n+1} = r \cdot a_n; \quad a_1 =$$

$$f(n) = (a_1) \cdot (r^{n-1})$$

$$\bullet \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

converge

$$\bullet \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2n = \infty$$

diverge

Part 1 : # 1-8

$$\textcircled{1} \quad a_n = n^2 - 1$$

Arith

$$a_n = \{ 0, 3, 8, 15, 24, 35, \dots \}$$

$$a_1 = (1)^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$a_2 = (2)^2 - 1 = 3$$

$$a_3 = (3)^2 - 1 = 8$$

⋮

$$a_{100} = (100)^2 - 1 = 9,999$$

②  $b_1 = 3$       $b_n = b_{n-1} + 2$      *spencer*  
for all  $n > 1$

$$b_n = \{ 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, \dots \}$$

$$b_{100} = 2(99) + 3$$

$$b_{100} = 201$$

③  $a_n = 4n - 3$      *Abhmanv*

$$a_{21} = 4(21) - 3$$

$$a_{21} = 84 - 3$$

$$a_{21} = 81$$

④

Shreelashmi

$$a_n = 4(0.5)^n$$

$$a_6 = 4(0.5)^6$$

$$a_6 = 0.0625$$

⑤

$$a_n = \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{n} \right)^{n-1} \right\}$$

Ayush

$$a_5 = \left( \frac{1}{5} \right)^{5-1}$$

$$a_5 = (1)^4$$

... (5)

$$a_5 = \frac{1}{625}$$

⑥ a)  $\left\{ \frac{1}{2^n} \right\}$

Amel

$$a_n = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \dots \right\}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = 0$$

$\frac{1}{2048}$

this sequence converges to 0.

b)  $\{2n-3\}$

Spencer

$$\lim 2n-3 = \infty$$

$n \rightarrow \infty$

this sequence diverges

c) Diverges

d) Converge to 0

e) Diverges

⑦ a)  $\{5, 8, 11, 14, \dots\}$

Edward

$$a_n = 3n + 2$$

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + 3; \quad a_1 = 5$$

$$u_{21} = 3(21) + 2$$

$$a_{21} = 63 + 2$$

$$a_{21} = 65$$

b)  $\{100, 94, 88, 82\}$  *Spencer*

$\begin{array}{ccc} \rightarrow & \rightarrow & \rightarrow \\ -6 & -6 & -6 \end{array}$

$$f(n) = 100 - 6(n-1)$$

$$a_{15} = f(15) = 100 - 6(15-1)$$

$$= 100 - 6(14)$$

$$= 100 - 84 = \boxed{36}$$

$$= 100 - 84 = \boxed{16}$$

⑧  $2, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{9}{8}, \frac{27}{32}, \dots$  Luca  
Edward

$$r = \frac{3/2}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$a_{n+1} = a_n \cdot \frac{3}{4} ; a_1 = 2$$

$$f(n) = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{n-1}$$

⑪  $a_n = n^2 - 5n + 2$  Luca  
 $n=2?$

$$N = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \dots\}$$

~~$n=1?$~~   $n=5?$

$$a_n = \{-2, -4, -4, -2, 2\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= (1)^2 - 5 + 2 \\ &= 1 - 5 + 2 = -2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_3 &= -6 + 2 \\ &= -4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= 2^2 - 5(2) + 2 \\ &= 4 - 10 + 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_4 = -2$$

$$= -6 + 2 = -4$$

$$a_5 = 2$$

## Harmonic sequences

↳ if the reciprocals of all elements form an arithmetic sequence.

reciprocal

$$\frac{a}{b} \xrightarrow{\text{reciprocal}} \frac{b}{a}$$

$$\{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots\}$$

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$$

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$$\{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \dots\}$$

$$\{1, 2, 4, 8, \dots\}$$