

Geometric Progression

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What are the next 4 terms of the geometric sequence that starts 20, 10, 5 ?

Which of these are geometric progressions?

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② 13, 26, 78, 312, 624, ...

③ 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, ...

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⑤ $x(0), x(1), x(2), x(3), \dots$ where $x(0) = 17$ & $x(k+1)x(k-1) = (x(k))^2$ for $k \geq 1$

What is the 100th term of the geometric progression $-\frac{1}{10}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{5}{2}, \dots$?

Suppose that t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots forms a geometric progression where $t_4 = 10$ and $t_7 = 80$. What is t_{11} ?

Geometric Progression

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Common ratio $r = 2$

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$$\frac{189}{80} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{189 \times 3}{80 \times 4} = \frac{567}{320}$$

$189 = 200 - 11$
 $3 \times 189 = 600 - 33 = 567$

$$\frac{63}{20} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{63 \times 3}{20 \times 4} = \frac{189}{80}$$

$$\frac{21 \times 4}{5 \times 3} = \frac{84}{15}$$

$$\frac{21}{5} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{21 \times 3}{5 \times 4} = \frac{63}{20}$$

$$\frac{84}{15} \times \frac{4}{3} = \frac{84 \times 4}{15 \times 3} = \frac{336}{45}$$

Geometric Progression

What are the next 4 terms of the geometric sequence that starts 20, 10, 5 ?

$$20, \quad 10, \quad 5, \quad \frac{5}{2}, \quad \frac{5}{4}, \quad \frac{5}{8}, \quad \frac{5}{16}$$

$= 2 \cdot 5, \quad = 1 \cdot 25, \quad = 0 \cdot 625, \quad = 0 \cdot 3125$

$$r = \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{10}{20} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{5}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5 \times 1}{2 \times 2} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$r = \frac{a_3}{a_2} = \frac{5}{10} = \frac{1}{2}$$

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$$r = \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$$

$$r = \frac{a_5}{a_4} = \frac{49}{98} = \frac{1}{2}$$

✗ ② 13, 26, 78, 312, 624, ...

$\overset{\times 2}{\curvearrowright}$ $\overset{\times 3}{\curvearrowright}$

no common ratio

$$\frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{26}{13} = \frac{2 \times 13}{13} = 2, \quad \frac{a_3}{a_2} = \frac{78}{26} = 3$$

✓ ③ 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, ...

$\overset{\times (-1)}{\curvearrowright}$ $\overset{\times (-1)}{\curvearrowright}$ $\overset{\times (-1)}{\curvearrowright}$

$$r = \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{-1}{1} = -1$$

$$\frac{a_3}{a_2} = \frac{1}{-1} = -1$$

✓ ④ (a_n) given by $a_n = \frac{4 \times 5^{2n}}{3^n \times 7^{4n}}$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = a_{n+1} \frac{1}{a_n} = \frac{4 \times 5^{2n+2}}{3^{n+1} \times 7^{4n+4}} \frac{3^n \times 7^{4n}}{4 \times 5^{2n}} = \frac{5^2}{3 \times 7^4}$$

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 $x(k-1) \rightarrow x(k) \rightarrow x(k+1)$
 $\frac{x(k)}{x(k-1)} = \frac{x(k+1)}{x(k)}$

$$\frac{x(k+1)}{x(k)} = \frac{x(k)}{x(k-1)}$$

$$\frac{3^n}{3^{n+1}} = 3^{n-(n+1)} = 3^{-1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

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a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots

Common ratio

$$r = \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{-\frac{1}{10}} = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{10}{-1}\right) = \frac{10}{2} = 5, \quad \frac{a_3}{a_2} = \frac{-\frac{5}{2}}{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{5 \times \cancel{(-\frac{1}{2})}}{1 \times \cancel{(-\frac{1}{2})}} = 5$$

$$a_1 = -\frac{1}{10}$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{1}{10} \times 5$$

$$a_3 = \left(-\frac{1}{10} \times 5\right) \times 5$$

$$a_4 = \left(-\frac{1}{10} \times 5 \times 5\right) \times 5$$

$$a_n = -\frac{1}{10} \times \underbrace{5 \times 5 \times 5 \times \dots \times 5}_{n-1 \text{ times}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{10} \times 5^{n-1}$$

$$a_{100} = -\frac{1}{10} \times 5^{99} = \frac{-5^{99}}{10} = \frac{-5^{98}}{2}$$

a_1

$$a_2 = a_1 r$$

$$a_3 = a_2 r = (a_1 r) r = a_1 r^2$$

$$a_4 = a_3 r = (a_1 r^2) r = a_1 r^3$$

\vdots

$$a_n = a_1 r^{n-1}$$

Geometric Progression

Suppose that t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots forms a geometric progression where $t_4 = 10$ and $t_7 = 80$. What is t_{11} ?

Let r be the common ratio. So, $t_n = t_1 r^{n-1}$

$$t_4 = 10$$

$$t_1 r^3 = 10$$

$$t_7 = 80$$

$$t_1 r^6 = 80$$

$$8 = \frac{80}{10} = \frac{\cancel{t_1} r^6}{\cancel{t_1} r^3} = r^3$$
$$r = \sqrt[3]{8} = 2$$

$$t_1 r^3 = 10$$

$$t_1 2^3 = 10$$

$$8t_1 = 10$$

$$t_1 = \frac{10}{8} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$t_1 = \frac{10}{r^3} \quad t_1 = \frac{80}{r^6}$$
$$\frac{10}{r^3} = \frac{80}{r^6} \Rightarrow 10r^6 = 80r^3$$
$$\Rightarrow r^6 = 8r^3$$
$$\Rightarrow r^3 = 8$$

$$t_{11} = t_1 r^{10} = \frac{5}{4} 2^{10} = \frac{5}{2^2} 2^{10} = 5 \times 2^8$$
$$= 5 \times 2 \times 2^7$$
$$= 10 \times 128$$
$$= 1280$$

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(x_n) G.P. common ratio r

$$x_n = x_1 r^{n-1}$$

