

Exercise 6I

1 Calculate the value of S_{12} for each geometric series.

a $0.5 + 1.5 + 4.5 + \dots$ **b** $0.3 + 0.6 + 1.2 + \dots$

c $64 - 32 + 16 - 8 + \dots$ **d** $(x+1) + (2x+2) + (4x+4) + \dots$

2 Calculate the value of S_{20} for each series.

a $0.25 + 0.75 + 2.25 + \dots$ **b** $\frac{16}{9} + \frac{8}{3} + 4 + \dots$

c $3 - 6 + 12 - 24 + \dots$ **d** $\log a + \log(a^2) + \log(a^4) + \log(a^8) + \dots$

EXAM-STYLE QUESTION

3 For each geometric series:

i find the number of terms

ii calculate the sum

a $1024 + 1536 + 2304 + \dots + 26244$

b $2.7 + 10.8 + 43.2 + \dots + 2764.8$

c $\frac{125}{128} + \frac{25}{64} + \frac{5}{32} + \dots + \frac{1}{625}$

d $590.49 + 196.83 + 65.61 + \dots + 0.01$

Exercise 6J

- 1** For each series, determine the least value of n for which $S_n > 400$
 - a** $25.6 + 38.4 + 57.6 + \dots$
 - b** $14 - 42 + 126 - 378 + \dots$
 - c** $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{8}{9} + \frac{32}{27} + \dots$
 - d** $0.02 + 0.2 + 2 + \dots$
- 2** A geometric series has third term 1.2 and eighth term 291.6
Find the common ratio and the value of S_{10} .
- 3** In a geometric series, $S_4 = 20$ and $S_7 = 546.5$
Find the common ratio, if $r > 1$

EXAM-STYLE QUESTION

- 4** **a** Find the common ratio for the geometric series $\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{16} + \dots$
 - b** Hence, find the least value of n such that $S_n > 800$
 - 5** In a geometric series, the sum of the first three terms is 304, and the sum of the first 6 terms is 1330. Find the sum of the first seven terms.
 - 6** In a geometric series, the sum of the first four terms is ten times the sum of the first two terms. If $r > 1$, find the common ratio.
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