

AS & GS

Form 6
Vol 1

Part 7 – Geometric Sequence

1. D

$$2. \quad \frac{T(2)}{T(1)} = \frac{-14}{7} = -2$$

$$\frac{T(3)}{T(2)} = \frac{28}{-14} = -2$$

$$\frac{T(4)}{T(3)} = \frac{-42}{28} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

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3. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= \frac{125}{8} \left(-\frac{2}{5}\right)^{n-1} \\ &= (-1)^{n-1} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-3} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{n-1} \\ &= (-1)^{n-1} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{n-4} \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \quad T(5) = (-1)^{5-1} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{5-4} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$4. \quad T(3) = \frac{1}{27}$$

$$ar^2 = \frac{1}{27} \dots\dots(1)$$

$$T(6) = -\frac{1}{729}$$

$$ar^5 = \frac{1}{729} \dots\dots(2)$$

$$\therefore r^3 = -\frac{1}{27}$$

$$r = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{3}$$

general term

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

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

$$5. \quad T(4) = 27$$

$$ar^3 = 27 \dots\dots(1)$$

$$T(6) = 3$$

$$ar^5 = 3 \dots\dots(2)$$

$$r^2 = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\therefore r = \pm \frac{1}{3}$$

$$a = \pm \frac{1}{729}$$

case 1: $a = 729, r = \frac{1}{3}$

general term

$$= 729 \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{n-1}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{n-7} \quad (\text{or } 3^{7-n})$$

$$\text{case 2: } a = -729, r = -\frac{1}{3}$$

general term

$$= -729 \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1}$$

$$= (-1)^n \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-7} \quad (\text{or } (-1)^n (3^{7-n}))$$

$$6. \quad T(1) \times T(4) = 108$$

$$a^2 r^3 = 108 \dots (1)$$

$$T(3) = 18$$

$$ar^2 = 18$$

$$a^2 r^4 = 324 \dots (2)$$

$$\therefore r = 3$$

$$a = 2$$

$$T(n) = 2(3)^{n-1}$$

$$7. \quad (a) \quad \frac{T(n+1)}{T(n)} = \frac{\frac{a^{n+2}b}{2}}{\frac{a^{n+1}b}{2}} = a$$

$\therefore \frac{T(n+1)}{T(n)}$ is a constant.

$$(b) \quad \frac{T(2)}{T(1)} = \frac{9}{3}$$

$$a = 3$$

$$T(1) = 3$$

$$\frac{3^{1+1}b}{2} = 3$$

$$b = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore a = 3, b = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$8. \quad T(4) + T(5) = 48$$

$$ar^3 + ar^4 = 48$$

$$ar^3(1+r) = 48 \dots (1)$$

$$T(2) + T(3) = 3$$

$$ar + ar^2 = 3$$

$$ar(1+r) = 3 \dots (2)$$

$$\therefore r^2 = 16$$

$$r = \pm 4$$

$$9. \quad T(2) + T(5) = 72$$

$$ar + ar^4 = 72$$

$$ar(1+r^3) = 72 \dots (1)$$

$$T(5) + T(8) = 9$$

$$ar^4 + ar^7 = 9$$

$$ar^4(1+r^3) = 9 \dots (2)$$

$$\therefore r^3 = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3\right] = 9$$

$$a = 128$$

$$\therefore 1^{\text{st}} \text{ term} = 128$$

$$10. \quad a = 2, \quad r = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

$$T(n) = 486$$

$$2(3)^{n-1} = 486$$

$$n = 6$$

$$11. \quad (a) \quad a = -\frac{5}{4}, \quad r = \frac{5}{2} \div \left(-\frac{5}{4}\right) = -2$$

General term

$$= -\frac{5}{4}(-2)^{n-1}$$

$$= (-1)^n(5)(2)^{n-3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b)} \quad T(k) &\geq 2550 \\
 (-1)^k (5)(2)^{k-3} &\geq 2550 \\
 2^{k-3} &\geq 510 \\
 (k-3)\log 2 &\geq \log 510 \\
 k &\geq 11.994
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore value of $k = 12$

$$12. \text{ (a)} \quad a = \frac{8}{81}, \quad r = \frac{4}{27} \div \frac{8}{81} = \frac{3}{2}$$

General term

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(n) &= \frac{8}{81} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n-1} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n-4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b)} \quad T(k) &< \frac{81}{32} \\
 \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{k-4} &< \frac{81}{32} \\
 \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{k-4} &< \frac{243}{32} \\
 (k-4)\log \frac{3}{2} &< \log \frac{243}{32} \\
 k &< 9
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore greatest value of $k = 8$

Part 8 – Properties of G.S.

1. B
2. D
3. A

$$\begin{aligned}
 4. \quad y^2 &= 32 \\
 y &= \pm 4\sqrt{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

5.

$$T(1) = \frac{1}{54}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{54}$$

$$T(5) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$ar^4 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{54}r^4 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$r = \pm 3$$

$$\therefore \begin{cases} x = \frac{1}{18} \\ y = \frac{1}{6} \\ z = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}, \begin{cases} x = -\frac{1}{18} \\ y = \frac{1}{6} \\ z = -\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$