

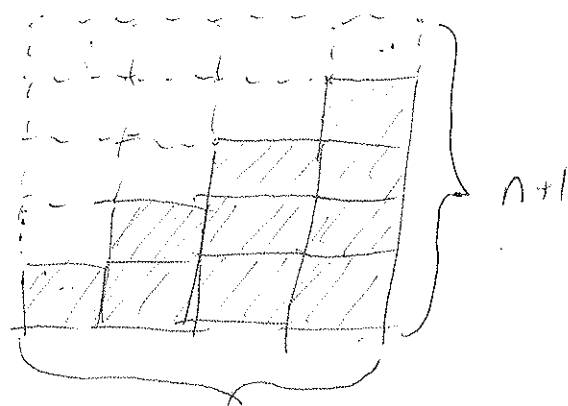
Last time:  
Sigma Notation

This time

- Properties of Sigma notation.
- Geometric sums.
- Infinite Series.

Show  $1+2+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ .

Illustrate for  $n=4$ .



(Gauss).

$$\text{Area} = n(n+1) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n i \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1+2+3+4+\dots+n \\ n+(n-1)+(n-2)+\dots+1 \\ \hline (n+1)+(n+1)+\dots+(n+1) \leftarrow n \text{ copies.} \end{array}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i + \sum_{i=1}^n (n-i+1) = n(n+1)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \leftarrow \\ \text{Same.} \end{array} \quad 2 \sum_{i=1}^n i = n(n+1)$$

Find  $\sum_{k=1}^n k^2$ . Trick: add  $\sum_{k=1}^n ((k+1)^3 - k^3)$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n ((k+1)^3 - k^3) &= \cancel{2^3} - 1^3 + \cancel{3^3} - \cancel{2^3} + \cancel{4^3} - \cancel{3^3} + \cancel{5^3} - \cancel{4^3} + \dots + \cancel{n^3} - \cancel{(n-1)^3} + \cancel{(n+1)^3} - n^3 \\ &= (n+1)^3 - 1 \\ &= n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n \end{aligned}$$

Telescoping sum.

$$\sum_{k=1}^n ((k+1)^3 - k^3) = \sum_{k=1}^n (3k^2 + 3k + 1)$$

$$= 3 \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + 3 \sum_{k=1}^n k + \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \quad (\text{Linearity}).$$

$$n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n = 3 \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + 3 \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + n \quad \begin{matrix} 1 + 1 + \dots + 1 \\ n=1 \quad k=2 \quad \dots \quad k=n \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{n(n^2 + 3n + 2) - 3n(n+1)}{2} = 3 \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \quad (\text{isolate \& factor})$$

$$\frac{n(n+2)(n+1) - 3n(n+1)}{2} = \dots \quad (\text{factor})$$

$$n(n+1) \left( n+2 - \frac{3}{2} \right) = \dots \quad (\text{common factor}).$$

$$\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{2} = 3 \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \quad \left( n+2 - \frac{3}{2} = n + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2n+1}{2} \right)$$

$$\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} = \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \quad (*)$$

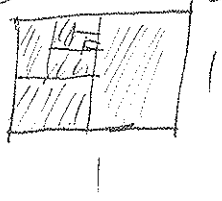
Answer to 100-disc Tower of Hanoi

By formula (\*)

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^{100} \pi i^2 \cdot h = \sum_{i=1}^{100} \pi i^2 (11) = \pi \sum_{i=1}^{100} i^2 = \frac{\pi 100(101)(201)}{6}$$

$$= 338350 \pi.$$

# Geometric Series



$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{32} + \dots = 1$$

Let  $r \neq 1$  be a real number (called the common ratio). Let  $a \neq 0$  be a real number (the first term).

Then a geometric series is of the form

$$S_N = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^N = \sum_{i=0}^N ar^i$$

NB:  $r = \frac{ar}{a} = \frac{ar^2}{ar} = \dots = \frac{ar^i}{ar^{i-1}}$  for any  $i$  from 1 to  $N$ .

Ex:  $S = 1 + 3 + 9 + 27 + 81 + 243 + 729 = \sum_{i=0}^6 (1) \cdot 3^i = \frac{1 \cdot (1 - 3^7)}{1 - 3}$

This is a geometric series

Ex:  $S = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5$  is NOT a geometric series since  $\frac{2}{1} \neq \frac{3}{2}$

Claim:  $S_N = \sum_{i=0}^N ar^i = \frac{a(1-r^{N+1})}{1-r}$

Pf:  $S_N = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{N-1} + ar^N$

$rS_N = ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^N + ar^{N+1}$

$(1-r)S_N = a - ar^{N+1}$  subtract.

$\Rightarrow$   
valid since  $r \neq 1$

$S_N = \frac{a - ar^{N+1}}{1-r} = \frac{a(1-r^{N+1})}{1-r}$  □

$$\sum_{k=1}^9 3 \cdot 2^k = \sum_{j=0}^8 3 \cdot 2^{j+1} = \sum_{j=0}^8 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2^j = \sum_{j=0}^8 6 \cdot 2^j$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 6 & r &= 2 & N &= 8 \\ \Rightarrow &= \frac{6(1-2^{8+1})}{1-2} \\ &= 6(2^9-1) \\ &= 6 \cdot 511 \\ &= 3066 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{k=2}^9 3 \cdot 2^k = \sum_{k=0}^9 3 \cdot 2^k - \sum_{k=0}^1 3 \cdot 2^k$$

# Infinite Sums.

Q: How do we add infinitely many numbers.

A: Add finitely many numbers in the beginning (the head of the sequence) and take the limit. That is

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^N a_i = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N$$

where here  $S_N = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_N$  is called a partial sum.

We say that an infinite series converges if  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N$  exists (and is finite) and is divergent otherwise

$$\text{Ex: } \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^k = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^N 2^k = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(1)(1-2^{N+1})}{1-2} = \frac{1 - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} 2^{N+1}}{1-2} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{infinite.} \\ \text{DNE.} \end{array} \right.$$

Thus the sum diverges.

$$\text{Ex: } \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^N \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(1)(1-(\frac{1}{2})^{N+1})}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1 - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (\frac{1}{2})^{N+1}}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1-0}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = 2.$$

$$\text{Thus } \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k = 2. \quad \text{Thus } 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots = 2$$
$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \dots = 1 \quad \text{A square halving.}$$

In general

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^N ar^n = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a(1-r^{N+1})}{1-r} \\ &= \frac{a(1 - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} r^{N+1})}{1-r}\end{aligned}$$

Q: When does this sum converge?

Ans: Converges whenever  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} r^{N+1}$  converges (ie limit exists & is finite).

If  $|r| > 1$  this limit diverges

If  $|r| = 1$  Recall our  $r \neq 1$  so this means  $r = -1$

$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^{N+1}$  diverges.

If  $|r| < 1$  then this converges! Further  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} r^{N+1} = 0$  in this case.

Thus, when  $|r| < 1$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n = \frac{a(1 - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} r^{N+1})}{1-r} = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

$$\text{Ex: } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n = \frac{(1)}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Thought experiment: Does

$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots$  converge or diverge??