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SEQUENCES AND POLYNOMIALS TEST

3° ESO



Exercise 1: (1.5 ptos) Find the general term of the following sequences:

a)
$$\{2, 14, 98, 686, 4802 \cdots\}$$
 $\rightarrow a_n = 2 \cdot 7^{n-1}$

b)
$$\left\{0, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{8}{5}, \frac{15}{6}, \frac{24}{7}, \frac{35}{8} \cdots \right\} \rightarrow a_n = \frac{n^2 - 1}{n + 2}$$

c)
$$\{-2, 2, 6, 10, 14, 18 \cdots\} \rightarrow a_n = -2 + 4(n-1)$$

Exercise 2: (1 pto) In an AP we know that d=3 and $a_{29}=89$. Find the general term, and the sum of the first 75 terms $a_n=5+3(n-1)$ $S_{75}=8700$

Exercise 3: (1 pto) In a GP we know that $a_3 = 20$ and $a_{12} = 10240$. Find the general term and the sum of the first 30 terms $a_n = 5 \cdot 2^{n-1}$ $S_{30} = 5368709115$

Exercise 4: (0.75 ptos) There were a total of 2000 ponds in Doñana's Natural Park, but due to climate change during the past decades they have been decreasing by an average of 1.05% per year. How many ponds are there 80 years later?

869 ponds, more or less

Exercise 5: (1.25 ptos) How many terms are there in the sequence $\{7,11,15,19,23,\dots,71\}$ n=17

Exercise 6: (1.5 ptos) Work out using quadratic multiplication formulas:

a)
$$(2x-7)(2x+7) = 4x^2-49$$

b)
$$(3x^5 - 2x^3)^2 = 9x^{10} - 12x^8 + 4x^6$$

c)
$$(5x+3y)^2 = 25x^2 + 30xy + 9y^2$$

Exercise 7: (0.75 ptos) Evaluate the polynomial $P(x) = 7x^3 - 5x^2 - 9x + 1$ when x = -2 P(-2) = -57

Exercise 8: (1 pto) Take out common factors and group together if possible:

a)
$$20x^5 - 15x^4 + 10x^3 - 5x^2 = 5x^2(4x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x - 1)$$

b)
$$a^5b^2c^3 + a^3b^6c^4 + a^4b^5c^7 = a^3b^2c^3(a^2 + b^4c + ab^3c^4)$$



Exercise 9: (1.25 ptos) Given the polynomials $P(x) = 5x^3 - 2x^2 - 6x + 4$, $Q(x) = -x^3 + 8x^2 - 4x - 3$ and $R(x) = x^2 - 2x$, work out:

a)
$$P-Q=6x^3-10x^2-2x+7$$

b)
$$P \cdot R = 5x^5 - 12x^4 - 2x^3 + 16x^2 - 8x$$

