

PHYSICS FACTORY

- Find the nth term and 10th term in the following arithmetic progression: 23, 20, 17, 14
- **2** The first term of an arithmetic sequence is 7.5 and the fourth term is 9. Find the common difference.
- **3** Given the common difference in an arithmetic sequence is 12 and the 8th term is 89, find the first term.
- 4 The first three terms in an arithmetic sequence are -8, 2k², 18k. Find the two possible values for k.
- 5 Find the sum of the first 22 terms of the arithmetic sequence 5, 12, 19, 26.
- **6** Find the sum of the arithmetic sequence 12, 15, 18, ..., 249.
- 7 Find the sum of the arithmetic sequence (2x + 3), (4x + 3), (6x + 3), ..., (40x + 3).
- **8** Prove that the sum of the first n even numbers is n²
- **9** Calculate the sum of all the multiples of 7 from 7 to 84.
 - **a** For the series 3p + 6p + 9p + ... + 300
 - **b** Calculate the number of terms in the series
 - **c** Show the sum of the entire series is $150 + \frac{15000}{p}$
 - **d** Find the 80th term of the sequence (5p + 4), (7p + 5), (9p + 6), ...
- 10 In a geometric series the first term is 2 and the common ratio is 3. What is the 15th term?
- 11 In a geometric sequence the common ratio is 0.5 and the first term is 8. Find the 20th term.
- 12 In a geometric sequence, the 2nd term is 3 and the 4th term is 27. If the common ratio is positive, find the 12th term.
- 13 The first three terms of a geometric sequence are 5, x, x+10. If x > 0 find the value of x and the 10th term.
- 14 The first term of a geometric sequence is 8 and the third term is 2. Find the two possible values of the 8th term.
- 15 The first three terms of a geometric sequence are 8 x, 2x, x^2 . Find the value of x.
- 16 Sum the following geometric series to the 10th term 3 + 6 + 12 + 24 + ...

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Sequences and Series

17 Sum the following series:

- 18 The first three terms in a geometric sequence are k -12, k, 2k + 7. If k > 0, find the value of k. Then find the sum to the 10th term.
- 19 A geometric series has first term a and common ratio r. The second term of the series is $\frac{4}{3}$ and the sum to infinity of the series is 6.
 - **a** Show that $18r^2 18r + 4 = 0$.
 - **b** Find the two possible values of r.
 - **c** Find the corresponding values of a.

Given that r takes the smaller of the two values,

- **d** find the smallest value of n for which S_n exceeds 5.99.
- 20 A company made a profit of £12 000 in its first year of trading, Year 1.

A model for future trading predicts that the yearly profit will increase by 12% each year, so that the yearly profits will form a geometric sequence.

According to the model,

- a show that the profit for Year 4 will be £16 859
- **b** find the first year when the yearly profit will exceed £40 000
- **c** find the total profit for the first 25 years of trading, giving your answer to the nearest £1000
- 21 The sequence u₁, u₂, u₃, ... is defined by

$$u_{n+1} = k - \frac{15}{u_n}$$
 and $u_1 = 5$

where k is an integer.

Given that
$$-u_1 + 5u_2 + 2u_3 = 0$$

- **a** show that $7k^2 41k + 30 = 0$
- **b** Find the value of k giving a reason
- c Find the value of u₃