

Ex: Evaluate:

$$6! = 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 720$$

$$0! = 1$$

$$(-1)! \text{ DNE}$$

Simplify:

$$\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} = \frac{(n+1) \cdot \overbrace{n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdots 2 \cdot 1}^{n!}}{n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdots 2 \cdot 1} = \frac{n+1}{1} = n+1$$

$$= \text{OR} \frac{(n+1) \cdot \overbrace{n!}}{n!} = \boxed{n+1}$$

$$\frac{(n+2)!}{n!} = \frac{(n+2) \cdot (n+1) \cdot \overbrace{(n) \cdot (n-1) \cdots 2 \cdot 1}^{n!}}{n!} = \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{1}$$

$$= \boxed{n^2 + 3n + 2}$$

Sum notation

The sum of the first n terms of a sequence is represented by the summation notation

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n,$$

where $i(k)$ is the index of summation, n is the upper limit of summation, and 1 is the lower limit of summation.

Ex: Expand and evaluate:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^6 (i^2+1) &= (1^2+1) + (2^2+1) + (3^2+1) + (4^2+1) + (5^2+1) + (6^2+1) \\ &= 6 + 1 + 4 + 9 + 16 + 25 + 36 = \boxed{97} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=4}^7 [(-2)^i - 5] &= (-2)^4 - 5 + (-2)^5 - 5 + (-2)^6 - 5 + (-2)^7 - 5 \\ &= -20 + 16 - 32 + 64 - 128 \\ &= -20 - 16 - 64 = \boxed{-100} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{k=2}^5 (3) = 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 = \boxed{12}$$

Find the general term of the sequence (a_n)

• $-2, 4, -8, 16, \dots$
 $(-2)^1, (-2)^2, (-2)^3, (-2)^4, (-2)^5, \dots$

a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots
 $a_n = (-2)^n$

• $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{7}, \frac{4}{9}, \frac{5}{11}$

Arrows indicate differences: $+1$ between numerators and $+2$ between denominators.

$$a_n = \frac{n}{2n+1}$$

$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{5}$	$\frac{3}{7}$...
$\frac{1}{2 \cdot 1 + 1}$	$\frac{2}{2 \cdot 2 + 1}$	$\frac{3}{2 \cdot 3 + 1}$...

• $-3, 2, 7, 12, 17, \dots$

Arrows indicate a constant difference of $+5$.

$$a_n = 5n - 8$$

Verification of the formula $a_n = 5n - 8$:

$5 \cdot 1 - 8 = -3$, $5 \cdot 2 - 8 = 2$, $5 \cdot 3 - 8 = 7$, $5 \cdot 4 - 8 = 12$, $5 \cdot 5 - 8 = 17$, ...

Ex: Rewrite using the sum notation,

• $-3+2+7+12+17+\dots+52$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{12} 5i-8$$

Find the upper limit
 $52 = 5i - 8$

$$60 = 5i$$

$$\underline{i = 12}$$

• $\frac{3}{2} - \frac{9}{3} + \frac{27}{4} - \frac{81}{5}$

$\times 3$

$\downarrow +1$

$\frac{3^1(-1)^{1+1}}{1+1} - \frac{3^2(-1)^{2+1}}{2+1} + \frac{3^3(-1)^{3+1}}{3+1} - \frac{3^4(-1)^{4+1}}{4+1}$

gen. form:

$$a_n = \frac{3^n(-1)^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{3^i(-1)^{i+1}}{i+1} = \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{-3^i(-1)^i}{i+1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{-(-3)^i}{i+1}$$

Properties of Sums

$$1) \sum_{i=1}^n c \cdot a_i = c \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$$

$$2) \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{10} (3+i) = \sum_{i=1}^{10} 3 + \sum_{i=1}^{10} i$$

$$3) \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - b_i) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i \right)$$

$$\sum a_i b_i \neq \sum a_i \cdot \sum b_i$$

NO