

EXERCISE 21.2
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Sum the following series to n terms:

1. $3 + 5 + 9 + 15 + 23 + \dots$

Solution:

 Let T_n be the n th term and S_n be the sum to n terms of the given series.

We have,

$$S_n = 3 + 5 + 9 + 15 + 23 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n \dots (1)$$

Equation (1) can be rewritten as:

$$S_n = 3 + 5 + 9 + 15 + 23 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n \dots (2)$$

By subtracting (2) from (1) we get

$$S_n = 3 + 5 + 9 + 15 + 23 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n$$

$$\underline{S_n = 3 + 5 + 9 + 15 + 23 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n}$$

$$0 = 3 + [2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + \dots + (T_n - T_{n-1})] - T_n$$

 The difference between the successive terms are $5-3 = 2$, $9-5 = 4$, $15-9 = 6$,

So these differences are in A.P

Now,

$$3 + \left[\frac{(n-1)}{2} \{4 + (n-2)2\} \right] - T_n = 0$$

$$3 + \left[\frac{(n-1)}{2} (2n) \right] = T_n$$

$$3 + n(n-1) = T_n$$

Now,

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n T_k$$

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

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

$$= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + 3n - \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{n}{3} \left[\frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{2} + 9 - \frac{3}{2}(n+1) \right]$$

$$= \frac{n[n^2+8]}{3}$$

$$= \frac{n}{3}(n^2 + 8)$$

 \therefore The sum of the series is $\frac{n}{3}(n^2 + 8)$

2. $2 + 5 + 10 + 17 + 26 + \dots$

Solution:

Let T_n be the n th term and S_n be the sum to n terms of the given series.

We have,

$$S_n = 2 + 5 + 10 + 17 + 26 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n \dots (1)$$

Equation (1) can be rewritten as:

$$S_n = 2 + 5 + 10 + 17 + 26 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n \dots (2)$$

By subtracting (2) from (1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= 2 + 5 + 10 + 17 + 26 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n \\ S_n &= \frac{2 + 5 + 10 + 17 + 26 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n}{0} \\ 0 &= 2 + [3 + 5 + 7 + 9 + \dots + (T_n - T_{n-1})] - T_n \end{aligned}$$

The difference between the successive terms are 3, 5, 7, 9

So these differences are in A.P

Now,

$$2 + \left[\frac{(n-1)}{2} \{6 + (n-2)2\} \right] - T_n = 0$$

$$2 + [n^2 - 1] = T_n$$

$$[n^2 + 1] = T_n$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \sum_{k=1}^n T_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n (k^2 + 1) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + n \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)+6n}{6} \\ &= \frac{n(2n^2+3n+7)}{6} \\ &= \frac{n}{6}(2n^2 + 3n + 7) \end{aligned}$$

\therefore The sum of the series is $\frac{n}{6}(2n^2 + 3n + 7)$

3. $1 + 3 + 7 + 13 + 21 + \dots$

Solution:

Let T_n be the n th term and S_n be the sum to n terms of the given series.

We have,

$$S_n = 1 + 3 + 7 + 13 + 21 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n \dots (1)$$

Equation (1) can be rewritten as:

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$$S_n = 1 + 3 + 7 + 13 + 21 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n$$

$$\underline{S_n = 1 + 3 + 7 + 13 + 21 + \dots + T_{n-1} + T_n}$$

$$0 = 1 + [2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + \dots + (T_n - T_{n-1})] - T_n$$

The difference between the successive terms are 2, 4, 6, 8

So these differences are in A.P

Now,

$$1 + \left[\frac{(n-1)}{2} \{4 + (n-2)2\} \right] - T_n = 0$$

$$1 + [n^2 - n] = T_n$$

$$[n^2 - n + 1] = T_n$$

Now,

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n T_k$$

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

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

$$= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + n - \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{n}{3}(n^2 + 2)$$

∴ The sum of the series is $n/3 (n^2 + 2)$

4. 3 + 7 + 14 + 24 + 37 + ...

Solution:

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$$0 = 3 + [4 + 7 + 10 + 13 + \dots + (T_n - T_{n-1})] - T_n$$

The difference between the successive terms are 4, 7, 10, 13
 So these differences are in A.P

Now,

$$3 + \left[\frac{(n-1)}{2} \{8 + (n-2)3\} \right] - T_n = 0$$

$$3 + \left[\frac{(n-1)}{2} (3n + 2) \right] - T_n = 0$$

$$\left[\frac{3n^2 - n + 4}{2} \right] = T_n$$

$$\left[\frac{3}{2}n^2 - \frac{n}{2} + 2 \right] = T_n$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \sum_{k=1}^n T_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{3}{2}k^2 - \frac{k}{2} + 2 \right) \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n 2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n k \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{4} + 2n - \frac{n(n+1)}{4} \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(2n)+8n}{4} \\ &= \frac{(n+1)(2n^2)+8n}{4} \\ &= \frac{n}{2} [n(n+1) + 4] \\ &= \frac{n}{2} [n^2 + n + 4] \end{aligned}$$

∴ The sum of the series is $\frac{n}{2} [n^2 + n + 4]$

5. 1 + 3 + 6 + 10 + 15 + ...

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$$0 = 1 + [2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + \dots + (T_n - T_{n-1})] - T_n$$

The difference between the successive terms are 2, 3, 4, 5

So these differences are in A.P

Now,

$$1 + \left[\frac{(n-1)}{2} (4 + (n-2)1) \right] - T_n = 0$$

$$1 + \left[\frac{(n-1)}{2} (n+2) \right] - T_n = 0$$

$$\left[\frac{n^2+n}{2} \right] = T_n$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \sum_{k=1}^n T_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{k^2+k}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n k \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{12} + \frac{n(n+1)}{4} \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{4} \left(\frac{2n+1}{3} + 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{4} \left(\frac{2n+4}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \left(\frac{n+2}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{6} \\ &= \frac{n}{6} (n+1)(n+2) \end{aligned}$$

∴ The sum of the series is $\frac{n}{6} (n+1) (n+2)$