

Level	#nodes
1	1
2	2
3	4
4	8

Sequence: 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, ...  
 $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, \dots$

# Nodes at level  $k$        $A_k = 2^{(k-1)}$   
 for  $k \geq 1$   
 Explicit formula  
 general "

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Alternating sequence  
 $c_j = (-1)^j$  for  $j \geq 0$   
 $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots$   
 $1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$

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$1, -\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{9}, -\frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{25}, -\frac{1}{36}, \dots$

$a_k = (-1)^{k-1} \frac{1}{k^2}$        $k \geq 1$   
 $= \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k^2}$

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Series

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

upper limit  
 lower limit

e.g.  
 $\sum_{k=0}^3 2^k = 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3$   
 $= 1 + 2 + 4 + 8$   
 $= 15$

$\sum_{k=m}^n a_k = \left( \sum_{k=m}^{n-1} a_k \right) + a_n$   
 or  
 $= a_m + \left( \sum_{k=m+1}^n a_k \right)$

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$\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1} = \frac{(k+1) - k}{k(k+1)} = \frac{1}{k(k+1)}$

$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \left( \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right)$   
 $+ \left( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} \right)$   
 $+ \dots + \left( \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right)$   
 $= 1 - \frac{1}{n+1}$

Telescoping Sum

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Products

$\prod_{k=1}^n a_k = a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n$

$\prod_{k=1}^n k = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot n = n!$

factorial       $0! = 1$

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$\sum_{k=m}^n a_k + \sum_{k=m}^n b_k = \sum_{k=m}^n (a_k + b_k)$

$c \cdot \sum_{k=m}^n a_k = \sum_{k=m}^n c \cdot a_k$

$\prod_{k=m}^n a_k \cdot \prod_{k=m}^n b_k = \prod_{k=m}^n (a_k \cdot b_k)$

$\sum_{k=1}^4 2^{(k-1)} = 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3$   
 $= \sum_{j=0}^3 2^j$       change of variable

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Induction  
 Let  $P(n)$  be some property  
 on integers  $n$

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Suppose

1.  $P(a)$  is true
2. for all integers  $k \geq a$   
 if  $P(k)$  is true then  
 $P(k+1)$  is true

Conclude that for all integers  $n \geq a$   
 $P(n)$  is true

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Method: proof by induction  
 statements: for all integers  $n \geq a$   
 $P(n)$  is true

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Step 1: Show the property is true  
 for  $n=a$  (Basis)

Step 2: Show: for all  $k \geq a$   
 (inductive) if  $P(k)$  then  $P(k+1)$

Suppose  $P(k)$  is true  
 show  $P(k+1)$  is true

$P(k)$  inductive hypothesis

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