

Chapter-7: Infinite Series

Question ► 1 (i) $\frac{1}{2x+1} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^3} + \dots$ is an infinite geometric series. [All Board-18]

- (ii) $\left(2 + \frac{x}{4}\right)^6$ and $\left(k + \frac{y}{3}\right)^7$ are two binomial expressions.
- Expand 1st binomial expression up to x^3 . 2
 - If the coefficient of k^3 is 560, then determine the value of y . 4
 - If the sum to the infinity of the infinite series given in the stem is exist, then find it. 4

Solution to the question no. 1

a 1st binomial expression, $\left(2 + \frac{x}{4}\right)^6$

$$\left(2 + \frac{x}{4}\right)^6 = 2^6 + \binom{6}{1} 2^5 \cdot \frac{x}{4} + \binom{6}{2} 2^4 \cdot \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^2 + \binom{6}{3} 2^3 \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$= 64 + 48x + 15x^2 + \frac{5}{2}x^3 + \dots \dots \dots \text{(Ans.)}$$

b Using binomial theorem, we get,

$$\left(k - \frac{y}{3}\right)^7 = k^7 + \binom{7}{1} k^6 \left(-\frac{y}{3}\right) + \binom{7}{2} k^5 \left(-\frac{y}{3}\right)^2 + \binom{7}{3} k^4 \left(-\frac{y}{3}\right)^3 + \binom{7}{4} k^3 \left(-\frac{y}{3}\right)^4 + \dots \dots \dots$$

Here, coefficient of k^3 of the expansion = $\binom{7}{4} \left(-\frac{y}{3}\right)^4$

$$= \frac{7.6.5.4}{1.2.3.4} \cdot \frac{y^4}{3^4}$$

$$= \frac{35}{81} y^4$$

According to question, $\frac{35}{81} y^4 = 560$

$$\text{Or, } y^4 = 560 \times \frac{81}{35}$$

$$\text{Or, } y^4 = 1296$$

$$\text{Or, } y^4 = (6)^4$$

$$\therefore y = 6 \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c 1st term of the given series, $a = \frac{1}{2x+1}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2} \div \frac{1}{(2x+1)} = \frac{1}{2x+1}$

Now, sum to infinity of the series will exist if and only if $|r| < 1$

Or, $\left|\frac{1}{2x+1}\right| < 1$

That is, $-1 < \frac{1}{2x+1} < 1$

$$\therefore -1 < \frac{1}{2x+1} \quad \text{Or, } \frac{1}{2x+1} < 1$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 > 2x+1 \quad \text{Or, } 2x+1 > 1$$

$$\text{Or, } -1-1 > 2x+1-1 \quad \text{Or, } 2x+1-1 > 1-1$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 > 2x \quad \text{Or, } 2x > 0$$

$\therefore x < -1$ $\therefore x > 0$
 \therefore Sum to infinity of the series will exist if $x < -1$ or $x > 0$.

\therefore Sum to infinity, $S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2x+1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{2x+1-1}{2x+1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2x+1} \times \frac{2x+1}{2x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2x} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question ► 2 $\frac{1}{2x-5} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^3} + \dots$ is a series. [Dj.B.17]

- Find the series if $x = 4$. What is common ratio of the obtained series? 2
- Find the 9th term and the sum of first 10 terms of the series when $x = 5$. 4
- Find the condition which should be imposed on x , so that the given series will have a sum up to infinity and find the sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 2

a Given, the series, $\frac{1}{2x-5} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^3} + \dots$

If $x = 4$, the series, $\frac{1}{2 \times 4 - 5} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 4 - 5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 4 - 5)^3} + \dots$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \dots \dots \dots \text{(Ans.)}$$

\therefore Common ratio = $\frac{1}{3^2} \div \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ (Ans.)

b If $x = 5$, the series is,

$$\frac{1}{2 \times 5 - 5} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 5 - 5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 5 - 5)^3} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots \dots \dots$$

\therefore First term, $a = \frac{1}{5}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{5^2} \div \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$

We know, n^{th} term of the geometric series = ar^{n-1}

\therefore 9th term = $\frac{1}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{9-1}$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{5^8} = \frac{1}{5^9} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Again, sum of n terms, $S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$, when $r < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Sum of first 10 terms, } S_{10} &= \frac{\frac{1}{5} \left(1 - \frac{1}{5^{10}}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{5^{10} - 1}{5^{10}}}{\frac{4}{5}} \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{5}{4} \times \frac{5^{10} - 1}{5^{10}} \\ &= \frac{5^{10} - 1}{4 \times 5^{10}} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

c Given, 1st term of the series, $a = \frac{1}{2x-5}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Common ratio, } r &= \frac{1}{(2x-5)^2} \div \frac{1}{2x-5} \\ &= \frac{1}{2x-5} \end{aligned}$$

Sum to infinity of the series will exist if $|r| < 1$

$$\text{That is if, } \left| \frac{1}{2x-5} \right| < 1.$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2x-5} < 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x-5 > 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x-5+5 > 1+5$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x > 6$$

$$\therefore x > 3$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{1}{2x-5} > -1$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x-5 < -1$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x-5+5 < -1+5$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x < 4$$

$$\therefore x < 2$$

\therefore Required condition, $x > 3$ or, $x < 2$ (Ans.)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, sum to infinity of the series, } S_{\infty} &= \frac{a}{1-r} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2x-5}}{1 - \frac{1}{2x-5}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2x-5} \times \frac{2x-5}{2x-6} \\ &= \frac{1}{2x-6} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

Question 3 Consider the following infinite series :

$$1 + \frac{1}{1+3x} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^3} + \dots \quad \text{[C.B.17]}$$

a. Find the common ratio of the obtained series when $x = 1$. 2

b. Find the sum of first 10 terms of the series obtained in $x = \frac{1}{3}$. 4

c. Find the condition which should be imposed on x, so that the given series will have a sum up to infinity. 4

Solution to the question no. 3

a Given, the series, $1 + \frac{1}{1+3x} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^3} + \dots$

If $x = 1$, the series,

$$1 + \frac{1}{1+3.1} + \frac{1}{(1+3.1)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+3.1)^3} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{4^3} + \dots$$

$$\therefore \text{Common ratio} = \frac{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ term}}{1^{\text{st}} \text{ term}} = \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{1} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b If $x = \frac{1}{3}$, the series,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \frac{1}{1+3 \cdot \frac{1}{3}} + \frac{1}{\left(1+3 \cdot \frac{1}{3}\right)^2} + \frac{1}{\left(1+3 \cdot \frac{1}{3}\right)^3} + \dots \\ = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Whose 1st term, $a = 1$

$$\text{Common ratio, } r = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$$

We know, sum of 1st n terms of a geometric series,

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Sum of 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ 10 terms of the series, } S_{10} &= \frac{a(1-r^{10})}{1-r} \\ &= \frac{1 \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10} \right\}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{2^{10} - 1}{2^{10}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{1024 - 1}{1024} \times 2 \\ &= \frac{1023}{512} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

c Here, common ratio of the series, $r = \frac{1+3x}{1} = \frac{1}{1+3x}$

Sum to infinity of the series will exist is $|r| < 1$

$$\text{Or, } \left| \frac{1}{1+3x} \right| < 1$$

$$\text{That is, } -1 < \frac{1}{1+3x} < 1$$

$$\therefore -1 < \frac{1}{1+3x} \quad \text{Or, } \frac{1}{1+3x} < 1$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 > 1+3x$$

$$\text{Or, } -1-1 > 1+3x-1$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 > 3x$$

$$\therefore x < -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Or, } 1+3x > 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 1+3x-1 > 1-1$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x > 0$$

$$\therefore x > 0$$

\therefore Required conditions: $x > 0$ or $x < -\frac{2}{3}$ (Ans.)

Question 4 $\frac{1}{3x-1} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^3} + \dots$ [S.B.17]

a. If $x = 2$, then determine the common ratio of the series. 2

b. Determine the 7th term of the series and summation of first ten terms of the series when $x=1$. 4

c. Impose the condition on x so that the series will have an infinite sum and find that sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 4

a Given, the series, $\frac{1}{3x-1} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^3} + \dots$

If $x=2$, the series, $\frac{1}{3 \cdot 2 - 1} + \frac{1}{(3 \cdot 2 - 1)^2} + \frac{1}{(3 \cdot 2 - 1)^3} + \dots$
 $= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots$

\therefore Common ratio of the series $= \frac{1}{5^2} \div \frac{1}{5}$
 $= \frac{1}{5}$ (Ans.)

b If $x=1$, the series, $\frac{1}{3 \cdot 1 - 1} + \frac{1}{(3 \cdot 1 - 1)^2} + \frac{1}{(3 \cdot 1 - 1)^3} + \dots$
 $= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots$

Whose 1st term, $a = \frac{1}{2}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{2^2} \div \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$

We know, n^{th} term of the geometric series $= ar^{n-1}$

\therefore 7th term $= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{7-1} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^6} = \frac{1}{2^7}$ (Ans.)

Again, sum of 1st n terms of the geometric series,

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

\therefore Sum of 1st 10 terms, $S_{10} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{10}}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}$
 $= \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2^{10}-1}{2^{10}}\right)}{\frac{1}{2}}$
 $= \frac{1024-1}{1024} = \frac{1023}{1024}$ (Ans.)

c Given the series, $\frac{1}{3x-1} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^3} + \dots$

1st term of the series, $a = \frac{1}{3x-1}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} \div \frac{1}{3x-1}$
 $= \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} \times \frac{3x-1}{1}$
 $= \frac{1}{3x-1}$

Sum to infinity of the series will exist if $|r| < 1$.

That is, $\left| \frac{1}{3x-1} \right| < 1$

Or, $-1 < \frac{1}{3x-1} < 1$

$\therefore \frac{1}{3x-1} < 1$

Or, $3x-1 > 1$

Or, $3x-1+1 > 1+1$

Or, $3x > 2$

$\therefore x > \frac{2}{3}$

Or, $\frac{1}{3x-1} > -1$

Or, $3x-1 < -1$

Or, $3x < -1+1$

Or, $3x < 0$

$\therefore x < 0$

\therefore Sum to infinity of the series will exist if $x > \frac{2}{3}$ or $x < 0$. (Ans.)

Now, sum to infinity of the series,

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{1}{3x-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{3x-1}} = \frac{\frac{1}{3x-1}}{\frac{3x-1-1}{3x-1}} = \frac{1}{3x-2}$$
 (Ans.)

Question 5 $\frac{1}{2x+1} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^3} + \dots$ [J.B.17]

a. If $x=3$, find the common ratio of the series. 2

b. If $x=-2$, find the 10th term of the series and sum of first 10 terms. 4

c. Impose a condition on x under which the series will have a sum up to infinity and find the sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 5

a Given series $\frac{1}{2x+1} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^3} + \dots$

If $x=3$, the series, $\frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 + 1} + \frac{1}{(2 \cdot 3 + 1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2 \cdot 3 + 1)^3} + \dots$
 $= \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{7^2} + \frac{1}{7^3} + \dots$

\therefore Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{7^2} \div \frac{1}{7}$
 $= \frac{1}{7}$ (Ans.)

b If $x=-2$, the series,

$\frac{1}{2 \cdot (-2) + 1} + \frac{1}{\{2 \cdot (-2) + 1\}^2} + \frac{1}{\{2 \cdot (-2) + 1\}^3} + \dots$
 $= -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{3^3} + \dots$

1st term of the series, $a = -\frac{1}{3}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{3^2} \div -\frac{1}{3} = -\frac{1}{3}$

We know, n^{th} term of the geometric series $= ar^{n-1}$

\therefore 10th term of the series $= -\frac{1}{3} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^{10-1}$
 $= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3^9}$
 $= \frac{1}{3^{10}}$ (Ans.)

Again, sum of 1st n terms of the geometric series,

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

\therefore Sum of 1st 8 terms, $S_8 = \frac{-\frac{1}{3} \left\{1 - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^8\right\}}{1 - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)}$
 $= \frac{-\frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^8}\right)}{1 + \frac{1}{3}}$
 $= \frac{-\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3^8-1}{3^8}}{1 + \frac{1}{3}}$
 $= \frac{1-3^8}{4 \times 3^8}$ (Ans.)

c Given, 1st term of the series, $a = \frac{1}{2x+1}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2} \div \frac{1}{2x+1}$
 $= \frac{1}{2x+1}$

Now, sum to infinity of the series will exist if and only if

$|r| < 1$ or, $\left| \frac{1}{2x+1} \right| < 1$.

That is $-1 < \frac{1}{2x+1} < 1$

$\therefore -1 < \frac{1}{2x+1}$

Or, $-1 > 2x+1$

Or, $-1-1 > 2x+1-1$

Or, $-2 > 2x$

$\therefore x < -1$

\therefore The required conditions: $x < -1$ or, $x > 0$ (Ans.)

Again, sum to infinity of the series, $S_x = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$= \frac{\frac{1}{2x+1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2x+1}}$

$= \frac{1}{2x+1-1}$

$= \frac{1}{2x}$

$= \frac{1}{2x+1} \times \frac{2x+1}{2x}$

$= \frac{1}{2x}$ (Ans.)

Question ► 6 Consider the following series :

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

[Sylhet Cadet College, Sylhet]

- Find the series if $x = 2$, what is common ratio of the obtained series? 2
- Find the 15th term and the sum of first 15 terms of the series obtained in (a). 4
- Find the condition which should be imposed on x , so that given series will have a sum up to infinity and find the sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 6

a Given, the series, $\frac{1}{3x-1} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^3} + \dots$

If $x = 2$, the series, $\frac{1}{3 \cdot 2 - 1} + \frac{1}{(3 \cdot 2 - 1)^2} + \frac{1}{(3 \cdot 2 - 1)^3} + \dots$

$= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots$

\therefore Common ratio of the series $= \frac{1}{5^2} \div \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$ (Ans.)

b From 'a', the series is

$\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots$

1st term, $a = \frac{1}{5}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{5} < 1$

We know that, n^{th} term of a geometric series $= ar^{n-1}$

\therefore 15th term of the series $= ar^{15-1} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{14} = \frac{1}{5^{15}}$ (Ans.)

Also we know that, sum of first n^{th} term of a geometric series

$= \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}, r < 1.$

\therefore Sum of 1st 15 term,

$S_{15} = \frac{a(1-r^{15})}{1-r} = \frac{1}{5} \left\{ \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{15}}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} \right\}$

$= \frac{1}{5} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{5^{15}} \right\}$
 $= \frac{4}{5}$

$= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{5^{15}-1}{5^{15}} \right)$ (Ans.)

c Given, the series, $\frac{1}{3x-1} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^3} + \dots$

1st term of the series, $a = \frac{1}{3x-1}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} \div \frac{1}{3x-1}$

$= \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} \times \frac{3x-1}{1}$

$= \frac{1}{3x-1}$

Sum to infinity of the series will exist if $|r| < 1$.

That is, $\left| \frac{1}{3x-1} \right| < 1$

Or, $-1 < \frac{1}{3x-1} < 1$

$\therefore \frac{1}{3x-1} < 1$

Or, $\frac{1}{3x-1} > -1$

Or, $3x-1 > 1$

Or, $3x-1 < -1$

Or, $3x-1+1 > 1+1$

Or, $3x-1+1 < -1+1$

Or, $3x > 2$

Or, $3x < 0$

$\therefore x > \frac{2}{3}$

$\therefore x < 0$

\therefore Sum to infinity of the series will exist if $x > \frac{2}{3}$ or $x < 0$. (Ans.)

Now, sum to infinity of the series,

$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{1}{3x-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{3x-1}} = \frac{\frac{1}{3x-1}}{\frac{3x-1-1}{3x-1}} = \frac{1}{3x-2}$ (Ans.)

Question ► 7 $1 + (1+3x)^{-1} + (1+3x)^{-2} + (1+3x)^{-3} \dots$ is

an infinite geometric series and $\left(2 + \frac{x}{4}\right)^6$ is binomial expression.

[Milestone College, Dhaka]

- If $x = 1$, then find the series and find its common ratio. 2
- Expand the binomial upto x^3 in ascending power of x and by using the result find the value of $(1.9975)^6$ upto four decimal places. 4
- Imposing which condition on x the given series will have a sum upto infinity and find the sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 7

a Given, the series, $1 + \frac{1}{1+3x} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^3} + \dots$

If $x = 1$, the series,

$$1 + \frac{1}{1+3.1} + \frac{1}{(1+3.1)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+3.1)^3} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{4^3} + \dots$$

$$\therefore \text{Common ratio, } r = \frac{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ term}}{1^{\text{st}} \text{ term}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b By using binomial theorem, we get,

$$\left(2 + \frac{x}{4}\right)^6 = 2^6 + \binom{6}{1} \cdot 2^5 \cdot \left(\frac{x}{4}\right) + \binom{6}{2} \cdot 2^4 \cdot \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^2$$

$$+ \binom{6}{3} \cdot 2^3 \cdot \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$= 64 + 6.32 \cdot \frac{x}{4} + \frac{6.5}{1.2} \cdot 16 \cdot \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{6.5.4}{1.2.3} \cdot 8 \cdot \frac{x^3}{64} + \dots$$

$$= 64 + 48x + 15x^2 + \frac{5}{2}x^3 + \dots \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Here, $2 + \frac{x}{4} = 1.9975$

Or, $\frac{x}{4} = 1.9975 - 2 = -0.0025$

Or, $x = (-0.0025) \times 4$

$\therefore x = -0.01$

Here, putting $x = -0.01$ we get,

$$\left\{2 + \frac{(-0.01)}{4}\right\}^6 = 64 + 48(-0.01) + 15 \cdot (-0.01)^2$$

$$+ \frac{5}{2}(-0.01)^3 + \dots$$

$\therefore (1.9975)^6 = 63.5215$; [upto four decimal places] (Ans.)

c Here, common ratio of the series, $r = \frac{1}{1+3x} = \frac{1}{1+3x}$

Sum to infinity of the series will exist is $|r| < 1$

$$\text{Or, } \left| \frac{1}{1+3x} \right| < 1$$

That is, $-1 < \frac{1}{1+3x} < 1$

$\therefore -1 < \frac{1}{1+3x}$

Or, $-1 > 1+3x$

Or, $-1 - 1 > 1+3x - 1$

Or, $-2 > 3x$

$\therefore x < -\frac{2}{3}$

Or, $\frac{1}{1+3x} < 1$

Or, $1+3x > 1$

Or, $1+3x - 1 > 1 - 1$

Or, $3x > 0$

$\therefore x > 0$

\therefore Required conditions: $x > 0$ or, $x < -\frac{2}{3}$ (Ans.)

Now, sum to infinity of the series,

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{1+3x}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+3x-1}$$

$$= \frac{1+3x}{3x}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{3x} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question 8 $\frac{1}{2x+3} + \frac{1}{(2x+3)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x+3)^3} + \dots$ is an infinite series. [Saint Joseph Higher Secondary School, Dhaka]

a. Find the series and the common ratio of the series when $x = 2$.

b. Determine the 8th term of the series and summation up to 10th terms of the series when $x = \frac{1}{2}$. 4

c. Impose the condition x so that the series will have an infinite sum and find the sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 8

a Given, series, $\frac{1}{2x+3} + \frac{1}{(2x+3)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x+3)^3} + \dots$

If $x = 2$, the series, $\frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{7^2} + \frac{1}{7^3} + \dots$ (Ans.)

And common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{7^2} \div \frac{1}{7}$

$$= \frac{1}{7} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b When $x = \frac{1}{2}$,

then the series, $\frac{1}{2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 3} + \frac{1}{(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 3)^2} + \frac{1}{(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 3)^3} + \dots$

$$= \frac{1}{1+3} + \frac{1}{(1+3)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+3)^3} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{4^3} + \dots$$

Here, 1st term, $a = \frac{1}{4}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{4^2} \div \frac{1}{4}$

$$= \frac{1}{4} < 1$$

\therefore 8th term = ar^{8-1}

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^7$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^8$$

$$= \frac{1}{65536} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Sum of first 10th term = $a \cdot \frac{1-r^n}{1-r}$ [$\therefore r < 1$]

$$= \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{10}}{1 - \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1 - \frac{1}{4^{10}}}{\frac{3}{4}} \\
 &= \frac{4^{10} - 1}{3 \times 4^{10}} \\
 &= \frac{1048575}{3 \times 1048576} \\
 &= \frac{1048575}{3145728} \text{ (Ans.)}
 \end{aligned}$$

c The series, $\frac{1}{2x+3} + \frac{1}{(2x+3)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x+3)^3} + \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Common ratio, } r &= \frac{1}{(2x+3)^2} \div \frac{1}{2x+3} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2x+3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, the sum upto infinity of the series will be possible if

$$-1 < \frac{1}{2x+3} < 1$$

$$\text{That is, } -1 < \frac{1}{2x+3}$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x+3 < -1$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x < -4$$

$$\text{Or, } x < -2$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{1}{2x+3} < 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 1 < 2x+3$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x > 1-3$$

$$\text{Or, } x > \frac{-2}{2}$$

$$\text{Or, } x > -1$$

\therefore The conditions: $x < -2$, Or $x > -1$

and the sum of the series to the infinity,

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{\infty} &= \frac{a}{1-r} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{2x+3}}{1 - \frac{1}{2x+3}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{2x+3}}{\frac{2x+3-1}{2x+3}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2x+3} \times \frac{2x+3}{2x+2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2x+2} \text{ (Ans.)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 9 $\frac{1}{2x+1} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^3} + \dots$

[Mirpur Girls' Ideal Laboratory Institute, Dhaka]

- If $x = 2$, then find the common ratio of the series. 2
- If $x = -2$ find the 7th term of the series and sum of first 10 terms. 4
- Impose a condition on x under which the series will have a sum up to infinity and find the sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 9

a Given, the series,

$$\frac{1}{2x+1} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x+1)^3} + \dots$$

If $x = 2$, the series $\frac{1}{2 \cdot 2 + 1} + \frac{1}{(2 \cdot 2 + 1)^2} + \frac{1}{(2 \cdot 2 + 1)^3} + \dots$

$$= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots$$

$$\therefore \text{Common ratio} = \frac{1}{5^2} \div \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{5} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b If $x = -2$, the series,

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

$$= -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{3^3} + \dots$$

$$1^{\text{st}} \text{ term of the series, } a = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Common ratio, } r = \frac{1}{3^2} \div -\frac{1}{3} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

We know, n^{th} term of the geometric series = ar^{n-1}

$$\therefore 7^{\text{th}} \text{ term of the series} = -\frac{1}{3} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^{7-1}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3^6}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{3^7} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Again, sum of 1st n terms of the geometric series,

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of 1}^{\text{st}} 10 \text{ terms, } S_{10} = \frac{-\frac{1}{3} \left\{ 1 - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^{10} \right\}}{1 - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{-\frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^{10}} \right)}{1 + \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{-\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3^{10}-1}{3^{10}}}{1 + \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{1-3^{10}}{4 \times 3^{10}} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c Given, 1st term of the series, $a = \frac{1}{2x+1}$

$$\text{Common ratio, } r = \frac{1}{(2x+1)^2} \div \frac{1}{2x+1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2x+1}$$

Now, sum to infinity of the series will exist if and only if

$$|r| < 1 \text{ or, } \left| \frac{1}{2x+1} \right| < 1.$$

$$\text{That is } -1 < \frac{1}{2x+1} < 1$$

$$\therefore -1 < \frac{1}{2x+1}$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 > 2x+1$$

$$\text{Or, } -1-1 > 2x+1-1$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{2x+1} < 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x+1 > 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x+1-1 > 1-1$$

Or, $-2 > 2x$ Or, $2x > 0$
 $\therefore x < -1$ $\therefore x > 0$
 \therefore The required conditions: $x < -1$ or, $x > 0$ (Ans.)

Again, sum to infinity of the series, $S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2x+1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{2x+1-1}{2x+1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2x+1} \times \frac{2x+1}{2x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2x} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question 10 Consider the following series: $\frac{1}{8x+1} + \frac{1}{(8x+1)^2}$

$+\frac{1}{(8x+1)^3} + \dots$ [Chetona Model Academy (CMA), Dhaka]

- a. Find the sum of the series $2 + 4 + 8 + 16 + \dots$ 2
- b. Find the series if $x = 1$, also find the sum of the first 10 term of the series. 4
- c. Impose a condition on 'x' under which the given infinity series will have a sum and find that sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 10

a $2 + 4 + 8 + 16 + \dots$
 Here, the series is a infinite series and first term, $a = 2$
 Common ratio, $r = 2 > 1$
 Hence, the sum of the series does not exist.

b If $x = 1$, then the given series,

$$\frac{1}{8 \cdot 1 + 1} + \frac{1}{(8 \cdot 1 + 1)^2} + \frac{1}{(8 \cdot 1 + 1)^3} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{9^2} + \frac{1}{9^3} + \dots \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Here, first term, $a = \frac{1}{9} < 1$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{9}$

\therefore Sum of 10 term, $S_{10} = \frac{\frac{1}{9} \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^{10} \right\}}{1 - \frac{1}{9}}$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{9} \left\{ \frac{9^{10} - 1}{9^{10}} \right\}}{\frac{9-1}{9}}$$

$$= \frac{9^{10} - 1}{8 \times 9^{10}} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c First term of the given series, $a = \frac{1}{8x+1}$

And common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{(8x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{8x+1} = \frac{1}{8x+1}$

Sum of the given infinite series will exist if $|r| < 1$

That is, $\left| \frac{1}{8x+1} \right| < 1$ or, $-1 < \frac{1}{8x+1} < 1$

Now, $-1 < \frac{1}{8x+1}$

Or, $\frac{1}{-1} > 8x+1$; [by making inverse]

Or, $-1-1 > 8x+1-1$; [adding (-1) on both sides]

Or, $-2 > 8x$

Or, $-\frac{1}{4} > x$; [multiplying both sides by $\frac{1}{8}$]

$\therefore x < -\frac{1}{4}$

Again, $\frac{1}{8x+1} < 1$

Or, $8x+1 > 1$

Or, $8x > 1-1$; [adding (-1) on both sides]

Or, $8x > 0$

$\therefore x > 0$

\therefore The required condition : $x < -\frac{1}{4}$ or $x > 0$. (Ans.)

$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} + \frac{\frac{1}{8x+1}}{1 - \frac{1}{8x+1}}$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{8x+1}}{\frac{8x}{8x+1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8x+1} \times \frac{8x+1}{8x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8x} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question 11 $\frac{1}{2x-5} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^3} + \dots$ is a series.

[Dinajpur Laboratory School & College, Dinajpur]

- a. Find the series of $x = 4$. What is common ratio of the obtained series? 2
- b. Find the 9th term and the sum of first 10 terms of the series when $x = 5$. 4
- c. Find the condition which should be imposed on x , show that the given series will have a sum up to infinity and find the sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 11

a Given, the series, $\frac{1}{2x-5} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^3} + \dots$

If $x = 4$, the series,

$$\frac{1}{2 \times 4 - 5} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 4 - 5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 4 - 5)^3} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \dots \text{ (Ans.)}$$

\therefore Common ratio $= \frac{1}{3^2} \div \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ (Ans.)

b If $x = 5$, the series, $\frac{1}{2 \times 5 - 5} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 5 - 5)^2}$

$+\frac{1}{(2 \times 5 - 5)^3} + \dots$

$$= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots$$

Solution to the question no. 12

∴ First term, $a = \frac{1}{5}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{5^2} \div \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$

We know, n^{th} term of the geometric series = ar^{n-1}

∴ 9th term = $\frac{1}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{9-1}$
 $= \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{5^8} = \frac{1}{5^9}$ (Ans.)

Again, sum of n^{th} terms, $S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$, when $r < 1$

∴ Sum of first 10th terms, $S_{10} = \frac{\frac{1}{5} \left(1 - \frac{1}{5^{10}}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{5}}$
 $= \frac{\frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{5^{10} - 1}{5^{10}}}{\frac{4}{5}}$
 $= \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{5}{4} \times \frac{5^{10} - 1}{5^{10}}$
 $= \frac{5^{10} - 1}{4 \times 5^{10}}$ (Ans.)

c Given, 1st term of the series, $a = \frac{1}{2x-5}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{(2x-5)^2} \div \frac{1}{2x-5}$
 $= \frac{1}{2x-5}$

Sum to infinity of the series will exist if $|r| < 1$

That is if, $\left| \frac{1}{2x-5} \right| < 1$.

∴ $\frac{1}{2x-5} < 1$

Or, $2x - 5 > 1$

Or, $2x - 5 + 5 > 1 + 5$

Or, $2x > 6$

∴ $x > 3$

∴ Required condition : $x > 3$ Or, $x < 2$ (Ans.)

Now, sum to infinity of the series, $S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$= \frac{\frac{1}{2x-5}}{1 - \frac{1}{2x-5}}$
 $= \frac{1}{2x-5} \times \frac{2x-5}{2x-6}$
 $= \frac{1}{2x-6}$ (Ans.)

Question ► 12 $(1 + ax)^6$ is a binomial expression and $S = 4 + 44 + 444 + \dots$ is a series. [Cantonment Public School & College, Saidpur]

- a. Find the domain of $\sqrt{x-3}$. 2
- b. If the coefficient of x^2 and x^4 are equal of the binomial expression, then find the value of a. 4
- c. Find the sum of the series upto n terms. 4

a Let, $f(x) = \sqrt{x-3}$

The function $f(x)$ will be defined if and only if $x - 3 \geq 0$

Or, $x \geq 3$

∴ Domain = $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq 3\}$ (Ans.)

b Let, $g(x) = (1 + ax)^6$

Expanding $g(x)$ binomially we get,

$(1 + ax)^6 = 1 + 6C_1 ax + 6C_2 (ax)^2 + 6C_3 (ax)^3 + 6C_4 (ax)^4 + 6C_5 (ax)^5 + (ax)^6$

$= 1 + 6ax + 15a^2x^2 + 20a^3x^3 + 15a^4x^4 + 6a^5x^5 + a^6x^6$

The coefficient of $x^2 = 15a^2$

and then " " $x^4 = 15a^4$

According to the question,

$15a^2 = 15a^4$

Or, $a^2 = a^4$

Or, $a^2 = 1$

∴ $a = \pm 1$ (Ans.)

c Given series,

$S = 4 + 44 + 444 + \dots$

$= 4 + 44 + 444 + \dots + n^{\text{th}} \text{ term}$

$= 4(1 + 11 + 111 + \dots + n^{\text{th}} \text{ term})$

$= \frac{4}{9} (9 + 99 + 999 + \dots + n^{\text{th}} \text{ term})$

$= \frac{4}{9} \{(10-1) + (100-1) + (1000-1) + \dots + n^{\text{th}} \text{ term}\}$

$= \frac{4}{9} \{(10 + 100 + 1000 + \dots + n^{\text{th}} \text{ term}) - (1 + 1 + 1 + \dots + n^{\text{th}} \text{ term})\}$

$= \frac{4}{9} \{(10 + 10^2 + 10^3 + \dots + n^{\text{th}} \text{ term}) - n\}$

$= \frac{4}{9} \left(10 \cdot \frac{10^n - 1}{10 - 1} - n\right)$

$= \frac{40}{81} (10^n - 1) - \frac{4n}{9}$ (Ans.)

Question ► 13 $\frac{1}{4x-5} + \frac{1}{(4x-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(4x-5)^3} + \dots$ is an infinite series. [Cantonment English School & College, Chattogram]

- a. Find the series if $x = 2$. What is the common ratio of the obtained series? 2
- b. Find the 10th term and the sum of first 10 terms of the series when $x = 3$. 4
- c. Impose a condition on 'x' under which the given infinite series will have a sum and find that sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 13

a Given, series, $\frac{1}{4x-5} + \frac{1}{(4x-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(4x-5)^3} + \dots$

If $x = 2$, the series

$\frac{1}{4 \cdot 2 - 5} + \frac{1}{(4 \cdot 2 - 5)^2} + \frac{1}{(4 \cdot 2 - 5)^3} + \dots$

$= \frac{1}{8-5} + \frac{1}{(8-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(8-5)^3} + \dots$

$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \dots$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{3^2} \div \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ (Ans.)

b If $x = 3$ the series

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{4.3-5} + \frac{1}{(4.3-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(4.3-5)^3} + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{12-5} + \frac{1}{(12-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(12-5)^3} + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{7^2} + \frac{1}{7^3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Whose 1st term, $a = \frac{1}{7}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{7^2} \div \frac{1}{7} = \frac{1}{7}$

We know, n^{th} term of a geometric series = ar^{n-1}

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 10^{\text{th}} \text{ term} &= \frac{1}{7} \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^{10-1} = \frac{1}{7} \cdot \frac{1}{7^9} \\ &= \frac{1}{7^{10}} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

Also we know that, sum of first n^{th} term of the geometric

$$\begin{aligned} \text{series, } S_n &= \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{7} \left(1 - \frac{1}{7^{10}}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{7}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{7} \left(\frac{7^{10}-1}{7^{10}}\right)}{\frac{6}{7}} \\ &= \frac{1}{7} \times \frac{7^{10}-1}{7^{10}} \times \frac{7}{6} \\ &= \frac{7^{10}-1}{6 \cdot 7^{10}} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

c Given series, $\frac{1}{4x-5} + \frac{1}{(4x-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(4x-5)^3} + \dots$

1st term of the series, $a = \frac{1}{4x-5}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{(4x-5)^2} \div \frac{1}{4x-5}$
 $= \frac{1}{4x-5}$

Sum to the infinite series will be exist, if $|r| < 1$

$$\text{That is, } \left| \frac{1}{4x-5} \right| < 1$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 < \frac{1}{4x-5} < 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{4x-5} < 1 \quad \text{Or,}$$

$$\text{Or, } 4x-5 > 1 \quad \text{Or, } \frac{1}{4x-5} > -1$$

$$\text{Or, } 4x-5+5 > 1+5 \quad \text{Or, } 4x-5 < -1$$

$$\text{Or, } 4x > 6 \quad \text{Or, } 4x-5+5 < -1+5$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{4x}{4} > \frac{6}{4} \quad \text{Or, } 4x < 4$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{4x}{4} < \frac{4}{4}$$

$$\therefore x > \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore x < 1$$

\therefore Sum to infinity of the series will exist if $x > \frac{3}{2}$

or, $x < 1$ (Ans.)

Now, sum to infinity of the series,

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\infty} &= \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{1}{4x-5}}{1 - \frac{1}{4x-5}} \\ &= \frac{1}{4x-5} \times \frac{4x-5}{4x-5-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{4x-6} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

Question 14 $P = a + b$, $Q = a - b$ and $R = 3x - 1$.

[Navy Anchorage School and College, Chattogram]

- Find the value of x when, $\log_{\sqrt{8}} x = 3\frac{1}{3}$ 2
- If $x = \sqrt[3]{P} + \sqrt[3]{Q}$ and $\sqrt[3]{PQ} = c$, then prove that $x^3 - 3cx - 2a = 0$ 4
- Impose a condition on x so that the series $\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{R^2} + \frac{1}{R^3} + \dots$ will have an infinite sum and find that sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 14

a Given, $\log_{\sqrt{8}} x = 3\frac{1}{3}$

$$\text{Or, } \log_{\sqrt{8}} x = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$\therefore x = \sqrt{8^{\frac{10}{3}}}$$

$$= 8^{\frac{10}{3}}$$

$$= 8^{\frac{5}{3}}$$

$$= 2^{3 \cdot \frac{5}{3}}$$

$$= 2^5 = 32$$

$$\therefore x = 32 \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b Given, $P = a + b$ and $Q = a - b$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{P} + \sqrt[3]{Q} \text{ and } \sqrt[3]{PQ} = c$$

$$\text{or, } \sqrt[3]{(a+b)(a-b)} = c$$

$$\text{or, } a^2 - b^2 = c^3$$

$$\text{Here, } x = \sqrt[3]{a+b} + \sqrt[3]{a-b}$$

$$\text{Or, } x = (a+b)^{\frac{1}{3}} + (a-b)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\text{Or, } x^3 = \left\{ (a+b)^{\frac{1}{3}} + (a-b)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right\}^3 \quad [\text{taking cube on both sides}]$$

$$\text{Or, } x^3 = \left\{ (a+b)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right\}^3 + \left\{ (a-b)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right\}^3 + 3(a+b)^{\frac{1}{3}}(a-b)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\left\{ (a+b)^{\frac{1}{3}} + (a-b)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right\}; [\because (x+y)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x+y)]$$

$$\text{Or, } x^3 = a+b + a-b + 3(a^2 - b^2)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot x; [\because x = (a+b)^{\frac{1}{3}} + (a-b)^{\frac{1}{3}}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Or, } x^3 &= 2a + 3(c^3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot x \\ \text{Or, } x^3 &= 2a + 3cx \\ \text{Or, } x^3 - 3cx - 2a &= 0 \text{ (Proved)} \end{aligned}$$

c Given series,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{R^2} + \frac{1}{R^3} + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{(3x-1)} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} + \frac{1}{(3x-1)^3} + \dots; \text{ [Given, } R = 3x - 1 \text{]} \end{aligned}$$

Here, first term, $a = \frac{1}{3x-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Common ratio, } r &= \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} \div \frac{1}{3x-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{(3x-1)^2} \times \frac{3x-1}{1} = \frac{1}{3x-1} \end{aligned}$$

The series will have a sum upto infinity, if and only if $|r| < 1$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{3x-1} < 1 \quad \text{Or, } \frac{1}{3x-1} > -1$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x - 1 > 1 \quad \text{Or, } 3x - 1 < -1$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x - 1 + 1 > 1 + 1 \quad \text{Or, } 3x < -1 + 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x > 2 \quad \text{Or, } 3x < 0$$

$$\therefore x > \frac{2}{3} \quad \therefore x < 0$$

\therefore If $x > \frac{2}{3}$ Or, $x < 0$ then the series will have a sum up to infinity (Ans.)

Now, the sum of the series upto infinity,

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{1}{3x-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{3x-1}} = \frac{\frac{1}{3x-1}}{\frac{3x-1-1}{3x-1}} = \frac{1}{3x-2} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question 15 Consider the following infinite series:

$$1 + \frac{1}{1+3x} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^3} + \dots$$

[SCHOLARSHOME, Sylhet]

a. If $x = 1$, then find the common ratio of the given series. 2

b. Find the sum of first 7 terms of the series, when $x = \frac{1}{3}$. 4

c. Impose the condition on x , so that the series will have an infinite sum and find the sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 15

a Given the series, $1 + \frac{1}{1+3x} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^2} + \frac{1}{(1+3x)^3} + \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } x = 1, \text{ the series, } &1 + \frac{1}{1+3 \cdot 1} + \frac{1}{(1+3 \cdot 1)^2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{(1+3 \cdot 1)^3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{4^3} + \dots$$

$$\therefore \text{Common ratio, } r = \frac{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ term}}{1^{\text{st}} \text{ term}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

b If $x = \frac{1}{3}$, the series,

$$1 + \frac{1}{1+3 \cdot \frac{1}{3}} + \frac{1}{(1+3 \cdot \frac{1}{3})^2} + \frac{1}{(1+3 \cdot \frac{1}{3})^3} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots$$

Whose 1st term, $a = 1$

$$\text{Common ratio, } r = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$$

We know, sum of 1st n terms of a geometric series,

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of 1st 7 terms of the series, } S_7 = \frac{a(1-r^7)}{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{1 \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^7 \right\}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{2^7 - 1}{2^7}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{128 - 1}{128} \times 2$$

$$= \frac{127}{64} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c Here, common ratio of the series, $r = \frac{1}{1+3x}$

$$= \frac{1}{1+3x}$$

Sum to infinity of the series will exist if, $|r| < 1$

$$\text{Or, } \left| \frac{1}{1+3x} \right| < 1.$$

$$\text{That is, } -1 < \frac{1}{1+3x} < 1$$

$$\therefore -1 < \frac{1}{1+3x} \quad \text{Or, } \frac{1}{1+3x} < 1$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 > 1+3x \quad \text{Or, } 1+3x > 1$$

$$\text{Or, } -1-1 > 1+3x-1 \quad \text{Or, } 1+3x-1 > 1-1$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 > 3x \quad \text{Or, } 3x > 0$$

$$\therefore x < -\frac{2}{3} \quad \therefore x > 0$$

\therefore Required conditions: $x > 0$ or, $x < -\frac{2}{3}$ (Ans.)

Now, sum to infinity of the series

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\infty} &= \frac{a}{1-r} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{1+3x}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{1+3x-1}{1+3x}} \\ &= \frac{1+3x}{3x} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

Question ► 16 $1 + \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(x+1)^3} + \dots \dots \dots \infty$ is an infinite series. [Jalalabad Cantonment Public School & College, Sylhet]

- a. What is the name of the series? Find its common ratio. 2
 b. Impose the condition on x for the sum of infinity of the series. 4
 c. Find the sum of given series. 4

Solution to the question no. 16

a The name of the given series is geometrical series.

$$\text{Common ratio, } r = \frac{\frac{1}{(x+1)^2}}{\frac{1}{x+1}} = \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} \times \frac{(x+1)}{1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x+1} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b Here, 1st term, $a = 1$

And common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{1}{1+x}$

The sum of the series up to infinite will be infinite if $|r| < 1$.

Or, $-1 < r < 1$

Or, $-1 < \frac{1}{1+x} < 1$

Now, $-1 < \frac{1}{1+x}$

Or, $-1 > 1+x$

Or, $-1-1 > 1+x-1$; [Subtracting 1 from both sides]

Or, $-2 > x \therefore x < -2$

Again, $\frac{1}{1+x} < 1$

Or, $1+x > 1$

Or, $1+x-1 > 1-1$; [Subtracting 1 from both]

$\therefore x > 0$

\therefore Conditions are : $x > 0$ or, $x < -2$ (Ans.)

c Sum upto infinity, $S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{x+1}} \text{ ; [from a]}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{x+1-1}{x+1}} = \frac{x+1}{x} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question ► 17 $\frac{1}{2x-5} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^3} + \dots \dots \dots$ is a series. [The Sylhet Khajanchibari International School & College, Sylhet]

- a. Find the series if $x = 4$, what is the common ratio of the obtained series. 2
 b. Find the 9th term and the sum of first 10 terms of series when $x = 5$. 4
 c. Find the condition which should be imposed on x, so that the given series will have a sum up to infinity and find the sum. 4

Solution to the question no. 17

a Given, the series, $\frac{1}{2x-5} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2x-5)^3} + \dots \dots \dots$

If $x = 4$, the series,

$$\frac{1}{2 \times 4 - 5} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 4 - 5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 4 - 5)^3} + \dots \dots \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \dots \dots \dots \text{ (Ans.)}$$

\therefore Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{3^2} \div \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ (Ans.)

b If $x = 5$, the series,

$$\frac{1}{2 \times 5 - 5} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 5 - 5)^2} + \frac{1}{(2 \times 5 - 5)^3} + \dots \dots \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots \dots \dots$$

\therefore First term, $a = \frac{1}{5}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{5^2} \div \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$

We know, nth term of the geometric series = ar^{n-1}

$$\therefore \text{9th term} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{9-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{5^8} = \frac{1}{5^9} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Again, sum of first n terms, $S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$, when $r < 1$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of first 10 terms, } S_{10} = \frac{\frac{1}{5} \left(1 - \frac{1}{5^{10}}\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{5}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{5^{10} - 1}{5^{10}}}{\frac{4}{5}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{5}{4} \times \frac{5^{10} - 1}{5^{10}}$$

$$= \frac{5^{10} - 1}{4 \times 5^{10}} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c Given, 1st term of the series, $a = \frac{1}{2x-5}$

Common ratio, $r = \frac{1}{(2x-5)^2} \div \frac{1}{2x-5}$

$$= \frac{1}{2x-5}$$

Sum to infinity of the series will exist if $|r| < 1$

That is if,

$$\left| \frac{1}{2x-5} \right| < 1.$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2x-5} < 1$$

Or, $2x-5 > 1$

Or, $2x-5+5 > 1+5$

Or, $2x > 6$

$\therefore x > 3$

Again,

$$-\left(\frac{1}{2x-5}\right) < -1$$

$$\frac{1}{2x-5} > -1$$

Or, $2x-5 < -1$

Or, $2x-5+5 < -1+5$

Or, $2x < 4$

$\therefore x < 2$

\therefore Required condition, $x > 3$ Or, $x < 2$ (Ans.)

Now, sum to infinity of the series, $S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2x-5}}{1 - \frac{1}{2x-5}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2x-5} \times \frac{2x-5}{2x-6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2x-6} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question ► 18 Follow the series given below: $1 + \frac{1}{x+1} +$

$\frac{1}{(x+1)^2} + \dots$ [Jashore English School and College (JESC), Jashore]

- a. What is the name of the series and why? find its common ratio. 2
- b. Impose the condition on x for the sum of infinity of the series. 4
- c. Find the sum of the given series. 4

Solution to the question no. 18

- a** The name of the given series is geometrical series. Because, there is a common ratio of the series.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Common ratio, } r &= \frac{\frac{1}{(x+1)^2}}{\frac{1}{x+1}} \\ &= \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} \times \frac{(x+1)}{1} \\ &= \frac{1}{x+1} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

- b** Here, 1st term, a = 1

$$\text{And common ratio, } r = \frac{\frac{1}{x+1}}{1} = \frac{1}{x+1}$$

The sum of the series up to infinity will be infinite if $|r| < 1$.

$$\text{Or, } -1 < r < 1$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 < \frac{1}{1+x} < 1$$

$$\text{Now, } -1 < \frac{1}{1+x}$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 > 1+x$$

$$\text{Or, } -1-1 > 1+x-1 \text{ [Subtracting 1 from both sides]}$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 > x \therefore x < -2$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{1}{1+x} < 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 1+x > 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 1+x-1 > 1-1 \text{ [Subtracting 1 from both sides]}$$

$$\therefore x > 0$$

\therefore Conditions are : $x > 0$, or, $x < -2$ (Ans.)

- c** Sum up to infinity, $S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{x+1}} \text{ [from a]}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{x+1-1}{x+1}}$$

$$= \frac{x+1}{x} \text{ (Ans.)}$$