

Answer on Question #57032 – Math – Algebra

Question

6. Which of the following functions have a domain of $(-\infty, \infty)$ and a range of $(2, \infty)$.

Check all that apply.

$$f(x) = 0.25^x - 2$$

$$f(x) = 3^x - 2$$

$$f(x) = 0.25^x + 2$$

$$f(x) = 3^x + 2$$

Solution

$$f(x) = 0.25^x - 2 \Rightarrow f(-\infty) = +\infty, f(x) \rightarrow -2 \text{ as } x \rightarrow +\infty, f(x) > -2$$

$$f(x) = 3^x - 2 \Rightarrow f(-\infty) = +\infty, f(+\infty) = +\infty, f(x) \geq 2$$

$$f(x) = 0.25^x + 2 \Rightarrow f(-\infty) = +\infty, f(x) \rightarrow 2 \text{ as } x \rightarrow +\infty, f(x) > 2$$

$$f(x) = 3^x + 2 \Rightarrow f(-\infty) = +\infty, f(+\infty) = +\infty, f(0) = 2, f(x) \geq 2$$

Answer: $f(x) = 0.25^x + 2$.

Question

7. What is the sum of the first five terms of the geometric sequence in which $a_1 = 3$ and

$$r = 1/3?$$

Express your answer as an improper fraction using the slash(/) key and no spaces. _____

Solution

$$S_n = a_1 * \frac{(1 - r^n)}{1 - r}$$

$$S_5 = a_1 * \frac{(1 - r^5)}{1 - r} = 3 * \frac{(1 - \frac{1}{3^5})}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} = 3 * \frac{(1 - \frac{1}{243})}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{(1 - \frac{1}{243})}{\frac{2}{243}} = \frac{242}{2} = \frac{121}{1}$$

Answer: 121/243.

Question

8. The original purchase price of a car is \$12,000. Each year, its value depreciates by 5%. Three years after the purchase, what is the value of the car?

- A: \$1.50
- B: \$13,891.50
- C: \$10,830
- D: \$10,288.50

Solution

$$P_n = P_0 * (1 - r)^n$$

$$P_3 = 12000 * (1 - 0.05)^3 = 10288.50$$

Answer: D: \$10,288.50.

Question

9. Which of the following sequences are geometric?

Check all that apply

6,18,54,162,486

2,5,8,11,14,17

-4,-2,-1,-0.5,-0.25,-0.125

2,3,5,8,13,21

Solution

$a_1 = 6, a_2 = 18, a_3 = 54, a_4 = 162, a_5 = 486$ is a geometric progression with $a_1 = 6, r = 3$, because

$$r = \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{a_3}{a_2} = \frac{a_4}{a_3} = \frac{a_5}{a_4} = 3$$

$a_1 = -4, a_2 = -2, a_3 = -1, a_4 = -0.5, a_5 = -0.25$ is a geometric progression with $a_1 = -4$,

$$r = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ because}$$

$$r = \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{a_3}{a_2} = \frac{a_4}{a_3} = \frac{a_5}{a_4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

In sequences 2,5,8,11,14,17 and 2,3,5,8,13,21 equalities $r = \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{a_3}{a_2} = \frac{a_4}{a_3} = \frac{a_5}{a_4}$ do not hold true, therefore these sequences are not geometric.

Answer: 6,18,54,162,486 and -4,-2,-1,-0.5,-0.25,-0.125