SCORE: ___ / 20 POINTS

WHERE INDICATED, YOU MUST SHOW THE WORK THAT LEAD TO YOUR ANSWER TO GET FULL CREDIT.

Find the first 4 terms of the sequence defined recursively by $a_1 = 1$, $a_k = 3k - a_{k-1}$ (for $k \ge 2$).

SCORE: /3 POINTS

$$a_1 = 1$$

→ MINUS ½ point if you forgot to write $a_1 = 1$

$$a_2 = 3(2) - a_1 = 6 - 1 = 5$$

1 point

$$a_3 = 3(3) - a_2 = 9 - 5 = \boxed{4}$$

1 point

$$a_4 = 3(4) - a_3 = 12 - 4 = 8$$

1 point

Simplify the expression $\frac{(5n-4)!}{(5n-2)!}$

SCORE: ___/3 POINTS

SHOW YOUR WORK.

$$= \frac{(5n-4)\cdots(3)(2)(1)}{(5n-2)(5n-3)(5n-4)\cdots(3)(2)(1)}$$

1½ points

$$= \frac{1}{(5n-2)(5n-3)}$$
1½ points

OR

$$= \frac{(5n-4)!}{(5n-2)(5n-3)(5n-4)!}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(5n-2)(5n-3)}$$

Find a general formula for the arithmetic sequence whose first term is 7, and whose sixth term is 11.

SCORE: ___/3 POINTS

SHOW YOUR WORK.

$$a_6 = a_1 + (6 - 1)d$$

$$11 = 7 + 5d$$

1 point

$$d = \frac{4}{5}$$

½ point

$$a_n = 7 + \frac{4}{5}(n-1)$$

1½ points

YOUR WORK. SIMPLIFY YOUR ANSWER.

$$= 3(3-5) + 4(4-5) + 5(5-5) + 6(6-5)$$

$$= 3(-2) + 4(-1) + 5(0) + 6(1)$$

$$= -6 -4 + 0 + 6$$
½ point ½ point ½ point ½ point
$$= -4$$
1 point

Find the first 5 terms of the sequence defined by $a_n = \frac{2 - (-1)^n}{n!}$.

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SIMPLIFY YOUR ANSWERS.

$$a_1 = \frac{2 - (-1)^1}{1!} = 3$$
 ½ point

$$a_2 = \frac{2 - (-1)^2}{2!} = \frac{1}{2}$$
 ½ point

$$a_2 = \frac{2 - (-1)^2}{2!} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$
 ½ point
$$a_3 = \frac{2 - (-1)^3}{3!} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$
 ½ point

$$a_4 = \frac{2 - (-1)^4}{4!} = \frac{1}{24}$$
 ½ point

$$a_4 = \frac{2 - (-1)^4}{4!} = \frac{1}{24}$$
 ½ point
$$a_5 = \frac{2 - (-1)^5}{5!} = \frac{1}{40}$$
 ½ point
$$\Rightarrow PLUS \% \text{ point if you got at least 4 of the terms correct}$$

Fill in the blanks: For the sum $\sum_{m=0}^{\kappa} a_m$, m is called the <u>index (OR dummy index) of summation</u>,

SCORE: ___ / 2 POINTS

k is called the upper limit of summation, and

2 is called the lower limit of summation

Use sigma notation to write the sum $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{7}{16} + \frac{15}{32} + \frac{31}{64}$.

SCORE: ___ / 3 POINTS

1/2 point
$$\boxed{5}$$
1/2 point $\boxed{2^n - 1}$
1/2 point $\boxed{n = 1}$

½ point for numerator, ½ point for denominator → PLUS ½ point if both correct

OR ½ point

½ point for numerator, ½ point for denominator → PLUS ½ point if both correct