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LT13: Determine whether or not an infinite series is geometric and, if so (and it converges), find its sum.

1. Given the geometric series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 20 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n$$

(a) What is the first term in the series, a ?

(a) 5

(b) What is the constant ratio, r ?

(b) $\frac{1}{4}$

(c) Does the series converge?

$r < 1$

(c) yes

(d) IF the series is convergent, find its sum. If it is not, write DNE.

(d) $\frac{20}{3}$

$$S = \frac{a}{1-r} \quad S = \frac{5}{1-\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{5}{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{20}{3}$$