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- (a) A circle is divided into 6 sectors in such a way that the angles of the sectors are in arithmetic progression. The angle of the largest sector is 4 times the angle of the smallest sector. Given that the radius of the circle is 5 cm, find the perimeter of the smallest sector.
- (b) The first, second and third terms of a geometric progression are $2k + 3$, $k + 6$ and k , respectively. Given that all the terms of the geometric progression are positive, calculate
- (i) the value of the constant k ,
 - (ii) the sum to infinity of the progression.

Solution

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As given in question statement, angles of the 6 sectors are in A.P.,

$$a, a+d, a+2d, a+3d, a+4d, a+5d$$

By given condition

angle of largest sector = 4 times angle of smallest sector

$$\Rightarrow a+5d = 4a$$

$$5d = 4a - a$$

$$5d = 3a \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

As sum of 6 sectors angles is equal to 2π



$$\Rightarrow S_6 = 2\pi \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Formula for the sum of n th arithmetic progression is

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_6 = \frac{6}{2} [2a + (6-1)d]$$

$$2\pi = 3 [2a + 5d]$$

$$\because S_6 = 2\pi$$

$$\frac{2\pi}{3} = 2a + 5d \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

put value of Equations ① in ③

$$2a + 3a = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

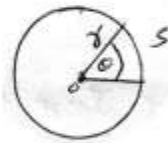
$$5a = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$a = \frac{2\pi}{15}$$

$\therefore$ angle of the smallest sector, $a = \frac{2\pi}{15}$
 (as a is the smallest sector and a is the largest sector in this question)

Arc length Formula

$$S = r\theta$$



Arc length of smallest sector

$$S = r\theta$$

$$= 5 \times \frac{2\pi}{15}$$

$$S = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\therefore r = 5, \theta = \frac{2\pi}{15}$$

given

$\therefore$ perimeter of smallest sector

$$= r + S + r$$

$$= 5 + \frac{2\pi}{3} + 5$$

$$= 12.1 \text{ cm}$$



⑥① AS the given three terms
 $2k+3$, $k+6$, k are in G.P.
 In G.P common ratio is

$$r = \frac{\text{Second term}}{\text{First term}}$$

AS in G.P common ratio between two consecutive terms are equal.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k+6}{2k+3} = \frac{k}{k+6}$$

$$(k+6)^2 = k(2k+3)$$

$$k^2 + 12k + 36 = 2k^2 + 3k$$

$$2k^2 + 3k - k^2 - 12k - 36 = 0$$

$$k^2 - 9k - 36 = 0$$

By factorization

$$k^2 - 12k + 3k - 36 = 0$$

$$k(k-12) + 3(k-12) = 0$$

$$(k-12)(k+3) = 0$$

$$k-12 = 0$$

$$k = 12$$

$$k+3 = 0$$

$$k = -3$$

ignore as k
 is +ve

(ii) Given 3 terms in G.P

$$2K+3, K+6, K$$

$$2(12)+3, 12+6, 12 \quad \because K=12 \text{ part (i)}$$

$$24+3, 18, 12$$

$$27, 18, 12$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 27, \quad r = \frac{\text{Second term}}{\text{First term}}$$

$$= \frac{18}{27}$$

$$r = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$|r| < 1$$

sum to infinity formula for G.P

when $|r| < 1$ is

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

$$= \frac{27}{1-\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{27}{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= 27 \times 3$$

$$S_{\infty} = 81$$