

1. (a) By the time that A reaches the 50 mile mark where T started, T will still be ahead by 12 and a half miles. By the time A reaches the 62 and a half mile mark, T will still be ahead by another 3 and a quarter miles, etc.

(b) $A(t) = 200t, T(t) = 50 + 50t$

$$200t = 50 + 50t$$

$$150t = 50$$

$$t = 1/3$$

$1/3(60) = 20$, so A will catch up to T after 20 minutes.

(c)

$$1/4 + 1/16 + 1/64 + 1/256 + \dots = \frac{1/4}{1 - 1/4} = 1/3$$

- (d) If the smallest unit of time is $1/64$ of an hour, T is always ahead.

Time (hours)	Distance, A	Distance, T
0	0	50
0 + 1/4	50	62.5
0+1/4+1/16	62.5	65.625
0+1/4+1/16+1/64	65.625	66.406

2. It is known that for any number x , $1 - x^{n+1} = 1 - x^{n+1}$.
For some nonnegative integer n , add $x - x + x^2 - x^2 + x^3 - x^3 + \dots + x^n - x^n$, or 0, to both sides.
 $1 - x^{n+1} + x - x + x^2 - x^2 + \dots + x^n - x^n = 1 - x^{n+1} + x - x + x^2 - x^2 + \dots + x^n - x^n$
 $1 - x^{n+1} + x - x + x^2 - x^2 + x^3 - x^3 + \dots + x^n - x^n = 1 - x^{n+1}$

The left side can be rearranged:

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

On the left side, every 2 consecutive terms, going from left to right, are divisible by $1 - x$:

$$1(1 - x) + x(1 - x) + x^2(1 - x) + \dots + x^n(1 - x) = 1 - x^{n+1}$$

$$(1 - x)(1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n) = 1 - x^{n+1}$$

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

So $1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n = \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{x - 1}$.

3. (a) It is known that for any number x , $1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n = \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{x - 1}$. Let x be between 0 and 1. Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - x^{n+1}}{x - 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x - 1} - \frac{x^{n+1}}{x - 1} \right) = \frac{1}{x - 1} - \frac{0}{x - 1} = \frac{1}{x - 1}$$

(b) By Zeno,

$$A(0) = 0$$

$$T(0) = 1$$

$$A(0 + x^0) = 0 + x^0$$

$$T(0 + x^0) = x^0 + x^1$$

$$A(0 + x^0 + x^1) = 0 + x^0 + x^1$$

$$T(0 + x^0 + x^1) = x^0 + x^1 + x^2$$

$$A(0 + x^0 + x^1 + \dots + x^n) = 0 + x^0 + x^1 + \dots + x^n \quad T(0 + x^0 + x^1 + \dots + x^n) = x^0 + x^1 + \dots + x^{n+1}$$

These two distances equal each other when $x^{n+1} = 0$, which is when $n \rightarrow \infty$ since $0 < x < 1$. So A and T meet at time $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$.

Algebraically, A and T meet the t such that $A(t) = t = T(t) = 1 + xt$:

$$\begin{aligned}t &= 1 + xt \\t - xt &= 1 \\t(1 - x) &= 1 \\t &= \frac{1}{1 - x}\end{aligned}$$

So the time when A and T is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$, or $\frac{1}{1-x}$. In other words, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}$.

4. Before crossing some whole distance, you must cross half of it, and before crossing that you must cross half of that, etc. In other words, to cross a whole distance 1, you must cross $1/2^n + 1/2^{n-1} + 1/2^{n-2} + \dots + 1/2^1$, where $n \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore, $1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n}$.

5. square

