

Problem

Find functions defined on the set of nonnegative integers that define the sequences whose first six terms are given below.

a. $1, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{7}, \frac{1}{9}, -\frac{1}{11}$

b. $0, -2, 4, -6, 8, -10$

Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 2

$$(a) \quad 1, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{7}, \frac{1}{9}, -\frac{1}{11}, \dots = \left\{ \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} \mid n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \right\}$$

Step 2 of 2

$$(b) \quad 0, -2, 4, -6, 8, \dots = \left\{ (-1)^n \cdot 2n \mid n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \right\}$$