NCERT Discrete - 10.5.3.20

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Parameter	Value	Description
<i>x</i> (0)	5	First term
r	2	Common ratio
y(n)	315	Sum of terms
n	?	Value of n
TABLE 0		

INPUT PARAMETERS

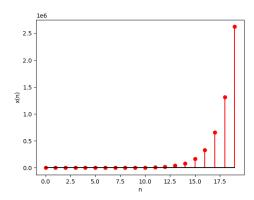


Fig. 0. Stem plot of GP

Question: 10.5.3.20 The sum of some terms of G.P. is 315 whose first term and the common ratio are 5 and 2, respectively. Find the last term and the number of terms.

Solution:

Given:

$$X(z) = \frac{x(0)}{1 - rz^{-1}} \tag{1}$$

By contour integration:

$$y(n) = x(0) \left(\frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1} \right) u(n)$$
 (2)

$$\implies 315 = 5(2^{n+1} - 1) \tag{3}$$

$$\implies n = 5$$
 (4)

$$x(n) = x(0)r^n \tag{5}$$

$$\implies x(5) = 5\left(2^5\right) \tag{6}$$

$$= 160 \tag{7}$$

Therefore, the number of terms is 6, and the last term is 160.