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QUESTION: Find the sum to indicated number of terms in each of the geometric progressions in 0.15, 0.015, 0.0015, ... 20 terms.

SOLUTION

TABLE 0
VARIABLES AND THEIR DESCRIPTIONS

Parameter	Description	Value
n	Number of terms in the G.P (positive even integer)	20
$x(0)$	first term in the G.P	0.15
r	common ratio in the G.P	0.1
$x(n)$	nth term in the G.P	none
$X(z)$	Z transform of X(n)	none

Let $x(0)$ denote the first term and r the common ratio. The sum of a geometric progression with n terms:

$$x(n) = x(0)r^n \quad (1)$$

$$X(z) = \frac{x(0)}{1 - rz^{-1}} \quad (2)$$

$$S(z) = X(z)U(z) \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{x(0)}{(1 - rz^{-1})(1 - z^{-1})} \quad |z| > |r| \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{x(0)(\frac{r}{1-rz^{-1}} - \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}})}{(r-1)} \quad (5)$$

The inverse of $S(z)$ is $s(n)$

$$s(n) = x(0)(\frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1}) \quad (6)$$

Substitute the values in the above equation

$$s(n) = 0.15 * \frac{0.1^{20} - 1}{0.1 - 1} \quad (7)$$

$$\therefore s(n) = \frac{1}{6}[1 - 0.1^{20}] \quad (8)$$