NCERT Question 11.9.3.15

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Question 11.9.3.15 : Given a GP with x(0)

= 729 and 7^{th} term 64, determine S(6)

Solution:

Parameter	Description	Value
x(0)	First Term	729
r	Common Ratio	
x(n)	$(n+1)^{th}$ Term	$x(0) r^n u(n)$
x(6)	7 th Term	64
S(k)	Sum of terms till $(k+1)^{th}$ Term	

TABLE 0 Parameter Table

$$S(k) = x(0)\frac{r^k - 1}{r - 1} \tag{1}$$

from Table 0:

$$x(6) = x(0) r^6 (2)$$

$$\implies 64 = 729r^6 \tag{3}$$

$$\therefore r = \frac{2}{3} \tag{4}$$

using equation (1) and equation (4)

$$S(6) = 729 \frac{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^6 - 1}{\frac{2}{3} - 1} \tag{5}$$

$$=\frac{729\left(\frac{2187-128}{2187}\right)}{\frac{1}{3}}\tag{6}$$

$$\implies 2059$$
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