

If $\Delta(r) = \begin{vmatrix} 2^{r-1} & 2 \cdot 3^{r-1} & 4 \cdot 5^{r-1} \\ \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ 2^n - 1 & 3^n - 1 & 5^n - 1 \end{vmatrix}$, then the value of $\sum_{r=1}^n \Delta(r)$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^n \Delta(r) &= \begin{vmatrix} \sum_{r=1}^n 2^{r-1} & \sum_{r=1}^n 2 \cdot 3^{r-1} & \sum_{r=1}^n 4 \cdot 5^{r-1} \\ \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ 2^n - 1 & 3^n - 1 & 5^n - 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad S_n = \frac{a(1 - r^n)}{1 - r} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 2^n - 1 & 3^n - 1 & 5^n - 1 \\ \alpha & \beta & \gamma \\ 2^n - 1 & 3^n - 1 & 5^n - 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

A

0

B

$\alpha\beta\gamma$

C

$\alpha + \beta + \gamma$

D

$\alpha 2^n + \beta 3^n + \gamma 4^n$