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Question:-

If a function Satisfying f(x + y) = f(x) f(y) for all $x, y \in N$ such that f(1) = 3 and $\sum_{x=1}^{n} f(x) = 120$, find the value of n.

Solution:- Using induction x=1 and y=1, we get

$$f(2) = f(1)^2 (1)$$

$$f(3) = f(1) f(1)^{2}$$
 (2)

$$f(4) = f(1) f(1)^{3}$$
 (3)

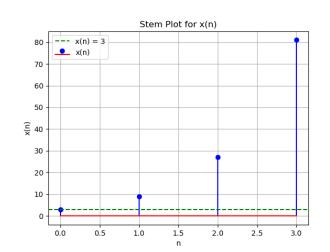
$$\implies f(x) = f(1)^x \tag{4}$$

so it is a GP with common ratio r = 3;

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

Symbol	Description	Value
<i>x</i> (0)	first term	3
r	common ratio	3
y(n)	sum of all n terms	120
x(n)	n th term	$x(0) r^n$

TABLE I



$$x(n) = x(0) r^n u(n)$$
(6)

From (??)

$$X(z) = \frac{3}{1 - 3z^{-1}} \quad |z| > |3| \tag{7}$$

$$Y(z) = \frac{x(0)}{(1 - rz^{-1})(1 - z^{-1})} \quad |z| > |r|$$
 (8)

$$Y(z) = \frac{x(0)}{r - 1} \left(\frac{r}{1 - rz^{-1}} - \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \right) \quad |z| > |r| \quad (9)$$

applying inverse z transform;

$$y(n) = x(0) \left(\frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1}\right) u(n) \tag{10}$$

$$120 = 3\left(\frac{3^{n+1} - 1}{3 - 1}\right) \tag{11}$$

$$\implies n = 3$$
 (12)

