

Q. prove that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n + 5^n}{15^n}$ Converges and find the sum.

Solution:-

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n + 5^n}{15^n} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3^n}{15^n} + \frac{5^n}{15^n} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\left(\frac{3}{15} \right)^n + \left(\frac{5}{15} \right)^n \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\left(\frac{1}{5} \right)^n + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^n \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5} \right)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^n \end{aligned}$$

now,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5} \right)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5} \right) \left(\frac{1}{5} \right)^{n-1}$$

The above relation is in a geometric series having

$$a = \frac{1}{5} \quad \text{and} \quad r = \frac{1}{5}$$

Since $-1 < r < 1$, the condition of sum to be converges,

here, $r < 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$

* Therefore, the sum is converges.

now the sum of the geometric series;

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5} \right)^n \text{ is given by,}$$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^n$ is given by,

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{(1-r)} \quad (\text{when } n \rightarrow \infty)$$

$$= \frac{1/5}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1/5}{\left(\frac{5-1}{5}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1/5}{4/5}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\cancel{5}} \times \frac{\cancel{5}}{4}$$

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Similarly, now,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{3}, \quad r = \frac{1}{3}, \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

Since, $r < 1$, the given series is converges.

* Therefore, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n + 5^n}{15^n}$, Converges.

now, the sum of the geometric series,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n \text{ is,}$$

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$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{(1-r)}$$

$$= \frac{1/3}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1/3}{\left(\frac{3-1}{3}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Therefore, $S_{\infty} = \frac{1}{2}$ ✓

now, the total sum of the given series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n + 5^n}{15^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n + 5^n}{15^n} = \frac{1+2}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \quad \checkmark$$