

Problem

Define a function $S: \mathbf{Z}^+ \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}^+$ as follows: For each positive integer n ,

$S(n)$ = the sum of the positive divisors of n .

Find the following:

a. $S(1)$

b. $S(15)$

c. $S(17)$

d. $S(5)$

e. $S(18)$

f. $S(21)$

Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 7

Given that

$S: \mathbf{Z}^+ \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}^+$, for each positive integer n .

$S(n)$ = the sum of positive divisor of n .

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(a) $S(1)$ = the sum of positive divisor of 1

$$= 1$$

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(b) $S(15)$ = the sum of positive divisor of 15

$$= (1 + 3 + 5 + 15) \text{ [Since 1, 3, 5, 15 are the positive divisor of 15]}$$

$$= 24$$

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(c) $S(17)$ = the sum of positive divisor of 17 are (1 and 17)

$$= (1 + 17)$$

$$= 18$$

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(d) $S(5)$ = the sum of positive divisor of 5
 $= (1+5)$ [Since 1 and 5 are only]
 $= 6$

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(e) $S(18)$ = the sum of positive divisor of 18
 $= (1+2+3+6+9+18)$
 $= 39$

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(f) $S(21)$ = the sum of positive divisor of 21
 $= (1+3+7+21)$
 $= 32$