

The sum to 50 terms of the series,

$$\frac{3}{1^2 \cdot 2^2} + \frac{5}{2^2 \cdot 3^2} + \frac{7}{3^2 \cdot 4^2} + \dots$$

is [select correct option(s)]

- (A) > 1 (B) < 1 (C) $\frac{50}{51} \times \frac{52}{51}$ (D) $\frac{50}{51}$

Solution

$$t_r = \frac{2r+1}{r^2 \cdot (r+1)^2} = \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{1}{(r+1)^2}$$

$$S_n = \sum t_r = \sum \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{1}{(r+1)^2}$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{3^2}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2}$$

$$+ \dots$$

$$+ \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} = \frac{n^2 + 2n}{(n+1)^2} = \frac{n(n+2)}{(n+1)^2}$$

$$\therefore S_{50} = \frac{50}{51} \times \frac{52}{51}$$

$$\text{Also, } S_n = \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} < 1$$

Hence, (B) & (C)