

UNIT-II

Recurrence Relations

Recurrence Relation : An equation that expresses an in terms of one or more of the previous terms of the sequence, namely $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1}$ & integers n with $n \geq n_0$ where n_0 is a non-negative integer is called a recurrence relation of the sequence $\{a_n\}$.

Sol (i)

Note : If the terms of the sequence satisfies the recurrence relation then the sequence is called solution of the recurrence relation.

Let Sequence $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence that satisfies the recurrence relation $a_n = a_{(n-1)} + 3a_{(n-2)}$ for $n=2, 3, 4, \dots$ Let $a_0 = 1$ & $a_1 = 2$. What are the values of a_2 and a_3

Sol The given recurrence relation is $a_n = a_{n-1} + 3a_{n-2}$, $n=2, 3, 4, \dots$

Given that $a_0 = 1$ & $a_1 = 2$

Find a_2 : Take $n=2$ in eqⁿ ① we get

$$a_2 = a_1 + 3a_0$$

$$= 2 + 3(1) = 2 + 3 = 5 \quad a_2 = 5$$

Find a_3 : Take $n=3$ in eqⁿ ① we get

$$a_3 = a_2 + 3a_1$$

$$= 5 + 3(2) = 5 + 6 = 11$$

$$\therefore a_3 = 11$$

Find the first 5 terms of the sequence defined by each of the following recurrence relation and initial conditions

$$(i) a_n = a_{n-1}^2, a_1 = 2$$

$$(ii) a_n = n a_{n-1} + n^2 a_{n-2}, a_0 = 1, a_1 = 1$$

$$(iii) a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-3}, a_0 = 1, a_1 = 2, a_2 = 0$$

Sol (i) Given recurrence relation $a_n = a_{n-1}^2, a_1 = 2$

$$\text{Find } a_2 = a_1^2 = (2)^2 = 4$$

$$[a_2 = 4]$$

$$a_3 = a_2^2 = (4)^2 = 16$$

$$[a_3 = 16]$$

$$a_4 = a_3^2 = (16)^2 = 256$$

$$[a_4 = 256]$$

$$a_5 = a_4^2 = (256)^2 = 65536$$

$$[a_5 = 65536]$$

(ii) Given recurrence relation $a_n = n a_{n-1} + n^2 a_{n-2}$

$$a_0 = 1 \quad a_1 = 1$$

$$a_2 = 2(1) + 2^2(1) = 2 + 4 = 6$$

$$[a_2 = 6]$$

$$a_3 = 3(6) + 3^2(1) = 18 + 9 = 27$$

$$[a_3 = 27]$$

$$a_4 = 4(27) + 4^2(6) = 204$$

$$[a_4 = 204]$$

(iii) Given recurrence relation $a_{n-1} + a_{n-3}$

$$a_0 = 1 \quad a_1 = 2 \quad a_2 = 0$$

$$a_3 = 0 + 1 = 1$$

$$[a_3 = 1]$$

$$a_4 = 1 + 2 = 3$$

$$[a_4 = 3]$$

Determine whether the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is a solution of the recurrence relation $a_n = a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} + 2n - 9$, if

$$(i) a_n = -n + 2 \quad (ii) a_n = 3(-1)^n + 2^n - n + 2$$

Sol The given recurrence relation is

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} + 2n - 9 \quad \rightarrow ①$$

(i) $a_n = -n + 2$

$$a_{n-1} = -(n-1) + 2 = -n + 3$$

$$a_{n-2} = -(n-2) + 2 = -n + 4$$

Now consider RHS of eqⁿ ①

$$a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} + 2n - 9$$

$$= (-n+3) + 2(-n+4) + 2n - 9$$

$$= -n + 3 - 2n + 8 + 2n - 9$$

$$= -n + 2$$

$$= a_n$$

$\therefore a_n = a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} + 2n - 9$ is the solution
of the recurrence relation as it
satisfies the given recurrence relation

(ii) $a_n = 3(-1)^n + 2^n - n + 2$

$$a_{n-1} = 3(-1)^{n-1} + 2^{n-1} - (n-1) + 2 =$$

$$a_{n-2} = 3(-1)^{n-2} + 2^{n-2} - (n-2) + 2 =$$

Now consider the RHS of eqⁿ ①

$$a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} + 2n - 9$$

$$= 3(-1)^{n-1} + 2^{n-1} - (n-1) + 2 + 2[3(-1)^{n-2} + 2^{n-2} - (n-2) + 2] + 2n - 9$$

$$= 3(-1)^{n-1} + 2^{n-1} - n + 3 + 2[3(-1)^{n-2} + 2^{n-2} - n + 4] + 2n - 9$$

$$= [3(-1)^n + \frac{2^n}{2} - n + 3] + 2[3(-1)^{n-1} + \frac{2^{n-1}}{2} - n + 4] + 2n - 9$$

$$= 3(-1)^n [-1 + 2] + 2^n [\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}] - n + 3 - 2n + 8 + 2n - 9$$

$$= 3(-1)^n + 2^n - n + 2$$

$$= a_n$$

def $a_n = 2^n + 5(3^n)$ for $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

i) find a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4

(ii) Show that $a_2 = 5a_1 - 6a_0$, $a_3 = 5a_2 - 6a_1$
 $a_4 = 5a_3 - 6a_2$

(iii) show that $a_n = 5a_{n-1} - 6a_{n-2}$, $n \geq 2$

i) $a_n = 2^n + 5(3^n)$

$$a_0 = 2^0 + 5(3^0) = 1 + 5 = 6$$

$$a_1 = 2^1 + 5(3^1) = 2 + 15 = 17$$

$$a_2 = 2^2 + 5(3^2) = 4 + 45 = 49$$

$$a_3 = 2^3 + 5(3^3) = 8 + 135 = 143$$

$$a_4 = 2^4 + 5(3^4) = 423$$

ii) $5a_1 - 6a_0 = 5(17) - 6(6)$

$$= 49 = a_2 \quad \therefore a_2 = 5a_1 - 6a_0$$

$$5a_2 - 6a_1 = 5(49) - 6(17)$$

$$= 143 \quad \therefore a_3 = 5a_2 - 6a_1$$

$$5a_3 - 6a_2 = 5(143) - 6(49)$$

$$= 421 \quad \therefore a_4 = 5a_3 - 6a_2$$

iii) Consider RHS

$$5a_{n-1} - 6a_{n-2} = 5(2^{n-1} + 5(3^{n-1})) - 6(2^{n-2} + 5(3^{n-2}))$$

$$= 2^{n-2}(5 \times 2 - 6 \times 1) + 3^{n-2}(5 \times 5 \times 3 - 6 \times 5)$$

$$= 2^{n-2}(4) + 3^{n-2}(75 - 30)$$

$$= 2^{n-2}(4) + 3^{n-2}(45)$$

$$= 2^{n-2}(4) + 3^{n-2}(5 \times 9)$$

$$= \frac{2^n}{2^2}(4) + \frac{3^n}{3^2}(5 \times 9)$$

$$= 2^n + 5(3^n) + 3^{n-1}(5 \times 5 + 3 - 6 \times 5)$$

$$= 2^n + 5(3^n) + 3^{n-1}(5 \times 2 - 6 \times 1)$$

Solution of linear homogeneous recurrence relations with constant coefficients

A recurrence relation of the form $a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2} + c_3 a_{n-3} + \dots + c_k a_{n-k}$ where $c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_n$ and $c_k \neq 0$ are constants, is called a linear homogeneous recurrence relation with constant coefficients of having the degree 'k'.

- i) The recurrence relation given in equation ① is called linear since each a_i has the power '1' and has no terms of the type $a_i a_j$ occurred.
- ii) The degree of the recurrence relation is k , since a_n is expressed in terms of the previous k terms of the sequence. i.e., degree is the difference between greatest and lowest subscript of the members of the sequence occurring in the recurrence relation.
- iii) The coefficients of the terms of the sequence are all constants. They are not functions of n .
- iv) If the recurrence relation $F(n)=0$ then it is called homogeneous otherwise the recurrence relation is called non-homogeneous.

Determine whether the following recurrence relations are linear homogeneous recurrence relation with constant coefficients

- i) $a_n = 2a_{n-4} + a_{n-3}^2$ The recurrence relation is not a linear
- ii) $t_n = 2t_{n-1} + 2$ The recurrence relation is non homogeneous

iii) $B_n = nB_{n-1}$ It does not have constant coefficients

Determine which of the following recurrence relations are linear homogeneous recurrence relations with constant coefficients and also find their degrees.

i) $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 4a_{n-2} + 5a_{n-3}$

It is clearly not a linear

ii) $a_n = 2na_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$

It is linear but it does not have constant coefficient

iii) $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-4}$

It is clearly a linear homogeneous recurrence relation with constant coefficients with degree 4

iv) $a_n = a_{n-2}$

It is clearly a linear homogeneous recurrence relation with constant coefficients with degree 2

v) $a_n = a_{n-1} + n$

It is non homogeneous

Characteristic equations

Let us consider the recurrence relation

$$a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2} + c_3 a_{n-3} \dots \quad ①$$

The characteristic equation is

$$\begin{cases} r^3 - c_1r^2 - c_2r^1 - c_3r^0 = 0 \\ r^3 - c_1r^2 - c_2r^1 - c_3 = 0 \end{cases} \quad ②$$

The roots of the characteristic equation are called characteristic roots.

Note: Let r_1, r_2, r_3 be the roots of the characteristic eqn (2) then the solutions of recurrence relation given below.

Case (i) Suppose that the three roots r_1, r_2, r_3 are real and different then the solution of the recurrence relation is $a_n = \alpha_1(r_1^n) + \alpha_2(r_2^n) + \alpha_3(r_3^n)$ where $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ are arbitrary constants

Case (ii) Suppose 2 roots are real and equal and third root is real and different then the solution of the recurrence relation is $a_n = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 n)(r_1^n) + \alpha_3(r_3^n)$

Ex: Three roots are real and equal then the solution of the recurrence relation is $a_n = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 n + \alpha_3 n^2)(r_1^n)$

Case (iii) If the roots are complex conjugate (i.e., $\alpha_1 \pm i\alpha_2$) then the solution of the recurrence relation is $a_n = \alpha_1^n(\alpha_1 \cos n\theta + \alpha_2 \sin n\theta)$

Solve the recurrence relation $a_n = 5a_{n-1} - 6a_{n-2}$, for $n \geq 2$, $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 0$

Sol Given recurrence relation is $a_n = 5a_{n-1} - 6a_{n-2}$ (1)
Clearly eqn (1) is linear homogeneous recurrence relation with constant coefficients having the degree 2.

The characteristic eqn (1) is

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 - 5r^{2-1} + 6r^{2-2} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow r^2 - 5r + 6 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (r-3)(r-2) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow r-3 &= 0, r-2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$g_1 = 2, 3$$

∴ Clearly the two roots are real and different.

∴ The solution of the recurrence relation is
 $a_n = \alpha_1(g_1^n) + \alpha_2(g_2^n)$ where α_1, α_2 are arbitrary constants.

$$\Rightarrow a_n = \alpha_1(2^n) + \alpha_2(3^n) \quad \text{eqn } ②$$

The initial values are $a_0 = 1, a_1 = 0$

Let us take $n=0$ in eqn ②

$$a_0 = \alpha_1(2^0) + \alpha_2(3^0)$$

$$1 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \quad \text{eqn } ③$$

Let us take $n=1$ in eqn ②

$$a_1 = \alpha_1(2^1) + \alpha_2(3^1)$$

$$0 = 2\alpha_1 + 3\alpha_2 \quad \text{eqn } ④$$

Solving eqn ③ & ④.

$$2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 = 2$$

$$\frac{2\alpha_1 + 3\alpha_2 = 0}{-\alpha_2 = +2}$$

$$\alpha_2 = -2$$

Substitute $\alpha_2 = -2$ in eqn ③ we get

$$1 = \alpha_1 - 2$$

$$\alpha_1 = 3$$

Substitute α_1 & α_2 values in eqn ②

$$\text{Then } a_n = 3(2^n) + (-2)(3^n), n \geq 2$$

Solve the recurrence relation $a_n = 2a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} - 2a_{n-3}$
for $n \geq 3$ with the initial values $a_0 = 3$, $a_1 = 6$,

$$a_2 = 0$$

Given recurrence relation $a_n = 2a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} - 2a_{n-3}$ ①
Clearly equation ① is linear homogeneous recurrence relation with constant coefficients having degree 3

The characteristic eqⁿ is

$$r^3 - 2r^2 - r + 2 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow r^3 - r^2 - 2r^2 - r + 2 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow r_1 = 1, r^2 - r - 2 = 0 \quad | \quad 1 \quad -2 \quad 1, \\ \Rightarrow r_1 = 1, (r-2)(r+1) = 0 \quad | \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad -1 \quad -2 \\ r_2 = 2, r_3 = -1 \quad | \quad 1 \quad -1 \quad -2 \mid 0 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore r_1 = -1, r_2 = 1, r_3 = 2$$

Clearly the roots are real and distinct
then the solution of the recurrence relation

$$a_n = \alpha_1 r_1^n + \alpha_2 r_2^n + \alpha_3 r_3^n$$

where $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ are arbitrary constants

$$\Rightarrow a_n = \alpha_1 (-1)^n + \alpha_2 (1)^n + \alpha_3 (2)^n \quad \text{--- eq ②}$$

The initial values are $a_0 = 3$, $a_1 = 6$, $a_2 = 0$

Let us take $n = 0$ in eqⁿ ②

$$3 = \alpha_1 (-1)^0 + \alpha_2 (1)^0 + \alpha_3 (2)^0$$

$$3 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \quad \text{--- ③}$$

Let us take $n = 1$ in eqⁿ ②

$$6 = \alpha_1 (-1)^1 + \alpha_2 (1)^1 + \alpha_3 (2)^1$$

$$6 = -\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3 \quad \text{--- ④}$$

Let us take $n = 2$ in eqⁿ ②

$$0 = \alpha_1 (-1)^2 + \alpha_2 (1)^2 + \alpha_3 (2)^2$$

$$0 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 4\alpha_3 \quad \text{--- ⑤}$$

Solving eqⁿ ②, ④, ⑤

$$\cancel{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 3}$$

$$\cancel{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3 = 6}$$

$$2\alpha_2 + 3\alpha_3 = 9 \quad \text{--- } ⑥$$

$$\cancel{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 4\alpha_3 = 0}$$

$$\cancel{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3 = 6}$$

$$2\alpha_2 + 6\alpha_3 = 6 \quad \text{--- } ⑦$$

Solving eqⁿ ⑥ & ⑦

$$\cancel{2\alpha_2 + 3\alpha_3 = 9}$$

$$\cancel{2\alpha_2 + 6\alpha_3 = 6}$$

$$-3\alpha_3 = -3$$

$$\boxed{\alpha_3 = -1}$$

Substitute α_3 value in eqⁿ ③

$$2\alpha_2 + 6\alpha_3 = 6$$

$$2\alpha_2 + 6(-1) = 6$$

$$2\alpha_2 - 6 = 6$$

$$\boxed{\alpha_2 = 6}$$

Substitute α_2, α_3 value in eqⁿ ②

$$3 = \alpha_1 + 6 + (-1)$$

$$\boxed{\alpha_1 = -2}$$

~~Find an explicit formula for the fibonocci numbers~~

The fibonocci numbers are 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, ...

The recurrence relation of the fibonocci sequence

$$\bullet \quad \alpha_n = \alpha_{n-1} + \alpha_{n-2}, \quad n \geq 2, \quad \alpha_0 = 0, \quad \alpha_1 = 1 \quad \text{--- } ①$$

Clearly eqⁿ ① is linear homogeneous recurrence relation with constant coefficients having degree 2

The characteristic eqⁿ is

$$x^2 - x - 1$$

$$= \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(1)}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - (-4)}}{2a} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\gamma_1 = \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \quad \gamma_2 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

clearly the roots are real and distinct
The solution of the recurrence relation is

$$x (\quad a_n = g_1^n (\alpha_1 \cos n\theta + \alpha_2 \sin n\theta) \quad \text{eq } ②)$$

The initial values are $a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1$

Let us take $n=0$ in eq ② we get

$$0 = g_1^0 (\alpha_1 \cos 0 + \alpha_2 \sin 0)$$

$$0 = (\alpha_1) \times$$

$$a_n = \alpha_1 (g_1^n) + \alpha_2 (g_1^0)$$

$$a_n = \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n$$

Let us take $n=1$, we get

$$a_0 = \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^0 + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^0$$

$$0 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \quad \text{--- } ③$$

Let us take $n=1$, we get

$$a_1 = \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^1 + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^1$$

$$1 = \frac{\alpha_1}{2} (1 - \sqrt{5}) + \frac{\alpha_2}{2} (1 + \sqrt{5})$$

Solving eq ③ & ④

$$\alpha_1 \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) = 1$$

$$\alpha_1 = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} - \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) = 1$$

$$\alpha_2 = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}-1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) = \alpha_2 = \left(\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) = 1$$

$$\alpha_2(\sqrt{5}) = 1$$

$$\alpha_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

Solve the recurrence relation $a_n = 2a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2}$, $n \geq 2$
 $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 2$

Given the recurrence relation $a_n = 2a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2}$
 clearly the eqⁿ ① is L.H.R.R with constant coefficient having the degree 2.

The characteristic eqⁿ is

$$r^2 - 2r + 2 = 0$$

$$a=1 \quad b=-2 \quad c=2$$

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-8}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm i\sqrt{4}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 2i}{2}$$

$$z = 1+i$$

The roots are $1+i$, $1-i$

Clearly the roots are complex conjugate

The solution of the recurrence relation is

$$a_n = a_1^n (\alpha_1 \cos n\theta + \alpha_2 \sin n\theta) \quad ②$$

$$z = 1+i \Rightarrow a=1 \quad b=1$$

$$a_1 = |z| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{b}{a} \right) = \tan^{-1} 1 = \tan^{-1} \left(\tan \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Let us take $n=0$, we get

$$t = (\sqrt{2})^0 (\alpha_1 \cos(0) \frac{\pi}{4} + \alpha_2 \sin(0) \frac{\pi}{4})$$

$$t = 1(\alpha_1) \quad t = \alpha_1 \quad \text{eqn } ③$$

Let us take $n=1$, we get

$$t = (\sqrt{2})^1 (\alpha_1 \cos(1) \frac{\pi}{4} + \alpha_2 \sin(1) \frac{\pi}{4})$$

$$2 = (\sqrt{2}) \left(\alpha_1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right)$$

$$2 = \sqrt{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$$

$$2 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \quad \text{eqn } ④$$

Substitute α_1 value in eqn ③

$$2 = 1 + \alpha_2$$

$$\alpha_2 = 1$$

Substitute α_1, α_2 value in eqn ②

$$a_n = (\sqrt{2})^n \left(\cos n \frac{\pi}{4} + \sin n \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

Solution of non-homogeneous recurrence relation

A linear non-homogeneous recurrence relation with constant coefficients of degree 'k' is a recurrence relation of the form $a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2} + \dots + c_n a_{n-k} + g(n)$ where c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n are real numbers and $g(n)$ is a function not identically '0' depending only on 'n'.

→ we have to solve the non-homogeneous recurrence relation by using following steps.

Step 1: We obtain the homogeneous solution

First we write the associated homogeneous recurrence relation by taking $G(n) = 0$. Then we find its general solution which is called the homogeneous solution.

Step 2: We obtain the particular solution.

There is no general procedure for finding the particular solution of a recurrence relation. However if $G(n)$ has any one of the following forms

- (i) polynomial in n
- (ii) A constant
- (iii) Powers of constant

Particular Solution for given $G(n)$

S.No	$G(n)$	Form of particular sol ⁿ
1.	A constant c	d
2.	A linear function $c_0 + c_1 n$	$d_0 + d_1 k$
3.	n^2	$d_0 + d_1 k + d_2 k^2$
4.	r^n , $r \in \mathbb{R}$	$d r^n$

Step 3: We substitute the guess from Step 2 into the recurrence relation. If the guess is correct then we can determine the unknown coefficient of the guess. If we are unable to determine the constants then our guess is wrong and hence we go to Step 2.

Step 4: The general solution of the recurrence relation is sum of the homogeneous and particular solution, i.e., $a_n = a_n^{(H)} + a_n^{(P)}$
 If no initial conditions are given then Step

4 will give the soln.

If the initial values are given then we find the arbitrary constant values, then we get a complete solution.

Solve the recurrence relation $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2^n$,

for $a_0 = 1$

Given recurrence relation is $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2^n$ ————— (1)

Clearly eqⁿ (1) is non-homogeneous recurrence relation. $a_n = 3a_{n-1} - 2^n$

Step 1: we have to find Homogeneous Solution by taking $G(n) = 2^n = 0$

Then eqⁿ (1) becomes as

$$a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 0$$

The characteristic eqⁿ is $\lambda - 3 = 0$

$$\lambda = 3$$

Clearly it is real root

∴ The solution of the homogeneous recurrence relation is $a_n^{(H)} = C_1 \lambda^n$

$$a_n^{(H)} = C_1 3^n$$

Step 2: To find particular solution of the non-homogeneous recurrence relation. $G(n) = 2^n$

Now let us choose the particular solution as $a_n = d\lambda^n = d2^n$ ————— eqⁿ (2)

Now substitute $a_n = d2^n$ in eqⁿ (1)

$$d2^n - 3d2^{n-1} = 2^n$$

$$\Rightarrow d2^n - 3/2 d2^n = 2^n$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^n [d - \frac{3}{2}d] = 2^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)d = 1 \Rightarrow d = -2$$

Now substitute $d = -2$ in eqⁿ ② we get particular solution of recurrence relation.

$$a_n^{(P)} = (-2) \cdot 2^n$$

The general solution of the recurrence relation is $a_n = a_n^{(H)} + a_{n-1}^{(P)}$

$$[a_n = C_1 3^n + (-2) 2^n] \quad \text{eq}^n ③$$

Take $n=0$ in eqⁿ ②, we get

$$a_0 = C_1 3^0 + (-2) 2^0$$

$$1 = C_1 - 2$$

$$\boxed{C_1 = 3}$$

$$\therefore a_n = 3 \cdot 3^n - 2 \cdot 2^n$$

$$a_n = 3^{n+1} - 2^{n+1}$$

Solve the recurrence relation

$$a_n = 4a_{n-1} - 4a_{n-2} + 3n + 2^n, a_0 = 1 \text{ & } a_1 = 1$$

The given recurrence relation is

$$a_n = 4a_{n-1} - 4a_{n-2} + 3n + 2^n \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Clearly the eqⁿ (1) is non homogeneous recurrence relation

$$a_n - 4a_{n-1} + 4a_{n-2} + 2^n x = 2^n + 3n$$

Step 1: we have to take find homogeneous solution.

by taking $G(n) = 2^n x = 0$

Then eqⁿ (1) becomes as

$$a_n - 4a_{n-1} + 4a_{n-2} = \cancel{3n} = 0$$

The characteristic eqⁿ is

$$r^3 - 4r^2 + 4r - 3 = 0$$

$$r^2 - 4r + 4 = 0$$

$$r(r-2) - 2(r-2) = 0$$

$$(r-2)(r-2) = 0$$

$$r = 2, 2$$

Clearly they are real roots and equal roots

∴ The solution of the homogeneous recurrence relation is $a_n^{(H)} = C_1 2^n$ $a_n^{(H)} = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 n)r^n$

$$\therefore a_n^{(H)} = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 n)2^n$$

Step 2: To find particular solution

$$G(n) = 3n + 2^n$$

$$a_n^{(P)} = a_n^{(P_1)} + a_n^{(P_2)}$$

part - 1 : $a_n^{(P_1)}$

Choose $a_n = d_0 + d_1 n$

$$(d_0 + d_1 n) - 4[d_0 + d_1(n-1)] + 4[d_0 + d_1(n-2)] = 3n$$

$$\Rightarrow (d_0 - 4d_0 + 4d_0) + (d_1 n - 4d_1 n + 4d_1 + 4d_1 n - 8d_1) = 3n$$

$$\Rightarrow d_0 + (d_1 n - 4d_1) = 3n$$

$$\Rightarrow (d_0 - 4d_1) + d_1 n = 3n$$

Compare the coefficients

$$d_0 - 4d_1 = 0 \quad d_1 = 3$$

$$d_0 - 12 = 0 \quad d_0 = 12$$

$$a_n = 12 + 3n$$

- i) $a_n = 2a_{n-1} + 3a_{n-2} + 4n$ for $n \geq 2$, $a_0 = 2$, $a_1 = 2$
- ii) $a_n = 5a_{n-1} + 6a_{n-2} + 4n$ for $n \geq 2$
- iii) $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 2$ $a_0 = 0$, $a_1 = 1$
- iv) $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 4a_{n-2}$, $n \geq 2$, $a_0 = a_1 = 1$

i) The given recurrence relation is $a_n = 2a_{n-1} + 3a_{n-2}$ (1)
 Clearly the eqⁿ (1) is homogeneous linear equation
 The characteristic eqⁿ is

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 - 2r - 3 &= 0 \\ \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} &= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(-1)(-3)}}{2(-1)} \\ &= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 12}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{16}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 4}{2} \\ &= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{16}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 4}{2} = \frac{6}{2}, \frac{-2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$r = -1, 3$.

Step 2:

Clearly the roots are real and different

$$\text{Hence } a_n^{(H)} = \alpha_1 (r_1)^n + \alpha_2 (r_2)^n$$

$$a_n^{(H)} = \alpha_1 (-1)^n + \alpha_2 (3^n) \quad (2)$$

The initial values are $a_0 = 2$, $a_1 = 2$

Now take $n = 0$ in eqⁿ (1). we get

$$2 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \quad (3)$$

Now take $n = 1$ in eqⁿ (1)

$$2 + 2 = -\alpha_1 + 3\alpha_2 \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Solve (3) & (4)} \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 2$$

$$-\alpha_1 + 3\alpha_2 = 2$$

$$4\alpha_2 = 4$$

$$\boxed{\alpha_2 = 1}$$

$\alpha_1 = 1$
 The solution is $a_n^{(H)} = (-1)^n + 3^n$

a) Given recurrence relation is

$$5a_{n-1} + 6a_{n-2} + 4n \quad \text{①}$$

We have to find the homogeneous solution by taking $G(n) = 4n = 0$.

Eq^u ① becomes as $5a_{n-1} + 6a_{n-2} = 0$

The characteristic eq^u is

$$r^2 - 5r - 6 = 0$$

$$r(r-6) + 1(r-6)$$

$$r=1, 6$$

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The obtained roots are real and different

∴ The solution of the homogeneous RR is

$$a_n^{(H)} = \alpha_1(r_1^n) + \alpha_2(r_2^n)$$

$$a_n^{(H)} = \alpha_1(-1) + \alpha_2(-6)$$

Step 2: we have to find the particular solution

Clearly $G(n)$ is of the form $G(n) = 4n$

$a_n = d_0 + d_1 n$ Substitute in eq^u ①

$$\rightarrow d_0 + d_1 n = 5(d_0 + d_1(n-1)) + 6(d_0 + d_1(n-2)) = 4n$$

$$\Rightarrow d_0 + d_1 n = 5d_0 + 5d_1 n + 5d_1 - 6d_0 - 6d_1 n$$

$$-12d_1 = 4n$$

$$\Rightarrow d_0 - 5d_0 - 6d_0 + d_1 n - d_1 5n + 5d_1 - d_1 6n$$

$$+ 12d_1 = 4n$$

$$\Rightarrow -10d_0 + [-10d_1 n + 17d_1] = 4n$$

$$17d_1 - 10d_0 = 0, -10d_1 n = 4n$$

$$d_1 = 4/-10 = -2/5$$

$$d_1 = -2/5$$

$$17\left(\frac{-2}{5}\right) - 10d_0 = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{34}{5} - 10d_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{34}{5} = 10d_0 \Rightarrow d_0 = -\frac{34}{50} = -\frac{17}{25}$$

$$a_n = -\frac{17}{25} - \frac{2}{5}n \Rightarrow \left(\frac{17}{25}, -\frac{2}{5} \right)$$

The GS is $a_n = \alpha_1 (-1)^n + \alpha_2 (6^n) - \left(\frac{17}{25} + \frac{2}{5}n \right)$

3. The given R.R is $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$ —①

Clearly eq ① is linear homogeneous

The characteristic eq is

$$\gamma^2 - \gamma - 1 = 0$$

$$\gamma = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2(1)} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+4}}{2}$$

$$\gamma_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, \gamma_2 = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

clearly the roots are real and distinct

Solution is $F_n = \alpha_1 \gamma_1^n + \alpha_2 \gamma_2^n$

$$F_n = \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n —②$$

$$n=0 \Rightarrow F_0 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$$

$$0 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 —③$$

$$n=1 \Rightarrow F_1 = \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)$$

$$1 = \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) —④$$

$$\text{Solve } ③ \text{ and } ④ \Rightarrow (0 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \times \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)$$

$$1 = \alpha_1 \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)$$

$$\alpha_1 \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n = 0$$

$$\alpha_1 \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n + \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n = 1$$

$$-1 = \alpha_2 \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5} - 1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)$$

$$\alpha_2 = -1/\sqrt{5}$$

$$\alpha_1 = 1/\sqrt{5}$$

Sub α_1, α_2 in ②

$$F_n = \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}} \right) \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n, n \geq 2$$

The solution is R.R

q. Given eqⁿ is linear homogeneous RR
with constant coefficient of degree 2.

The characteristic C^r is

$$r^2 - 3r - 4 = 0$$

$$r(r-4) + 1(r-4) = 0$$

$$(r-4)(r+1) = 0$$

$$r = 4, -1$$

Clearly the roots are real and distinct
the homogeneous solution is $a_n = \alpha_1 (r_1^n) + \alpha_2 (r_2^n)$

$$a_n = \alpha_1 (4^n) + \alpha_2 (-1)^n \quad \text{--- } ②$$

$$n=0 \Rightarrow a_0 = \alpha_1 (4^0) + \alpha_2 (-1^0)$$

$$1 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \quad \text{--- } ③$$

$$n=1 \Rightarrow a_1 = \alpha_1 (4) + \alpha_2 (-1)$$

$$1 = 4\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 \quad \text{--- } ④$$

Solve e_1^n ③ & ④

$$1 = \alpha_1 - \alpha_2$$

$$1 = 4\alpha_1 - \alpha_2$$

$$5\alpha_1 = 2$$

$$\alpha_1 = 2/5$$

$$1 = 2/5 + \alpha_2$$

$$\alpha_2 = 1 - 2/5$$

$$\alpha_2 = 3/5$$

Substitute α_1, α_2 in ②

$$a_n = \frac{2}{5} (4)^n + \frac{3}{5} (-1)^n$$