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NCERT DISCRETE 11.9.2 Q10

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Question 11.9.2.10: If the sum of first p terms of an A.P. is equal to the sum of the first q terms, then find the sum of the first (p+q) terms.

Solution:

Let
$$x(n) = a_0 + nd$$

Now let's find the z transform of the x(n) using the linearity property.

$$X(z) = \frac{a_0}{1 - z^{-1}} + d \frac{z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^2}$$
 (1)

$$y(n) = x(n) * u(n)$$

Now apply z transform on both sides

$$Y(z) = X(z)U(z) \tag{3}$$

$$Y(z) = \frac{a_0}{(1 - z^{-1})^2} + d\frac{z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^3}$$
(4)

by comparison of the above equations:

$$u(n) \stackrel{\mathcal{Z}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \tag{5}$$

$$nu(n) \stackrel{\mathcal{Z}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{z^{-1}}{(1-z^{-1})^2} \tag{6}$$

$$n(n-1)u(n) \stackrel{\mathcal{Z}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{2z^{-1}}{(1-z^{-1})^3}$$
 (7)

by solving the above equations, we obtain the inverse z transform:

$$y(n) = a_0(n-1) + \frac{d}{2}(n-1)(n-2)$$
 (8)

as we considered n=0 as our first term, we have to replace n by (n+1)

Sum of first n terms is given as:

$$y(n) = a_0(n) + \frac{d}{2}(n-1)(n)$$
 (9)

now as per the question y(p) = y(q)

$$a_0(p) + \frac{d}{2}(p-1)(p) = a_0(q) + \frac{d}{2}(q-1)(q)$$
 (10)
$$d = (-)\frac{2a_0}{p+q-1}$$
 (11)

now for p+q terms:

(1)
$$y(p+q) = a_0(p+q) + \frac{d}{2}(p+q-1)(p+q)$$
 (12)

substitue d in this

$$y(p+q) = a_0(p+q) - \frac{a_0}{p+q-1}(p+q-1)(p+q)$$
(13)

$$y(p+q) = a_0(p+q) - a_0(p+q)$$

$$y(p+q) = 0.$$