DISCRETE 11.9.3 Q-4

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Question:

The 4^{th} term of a G.P. is square of its second term, and the first term is -3. Determine its 7^{th} term, and find the Z transform of the series.

Solution:

Variable	Description	value
x(0)	first term of G.P.	-3
r	Common ratio of G.P.	-3
x(n)	general term of the G.P.	ar^n
x(3)	fourth term	$x(1)^2$
$\mathrm{u}(n)$	unit step function	-

A TABLE WITH INPUT PARAMETERS

$$x(0) r^{3} = (x(0) r^{1})^{2}$$
 (1)

$$\implies x(0) r^3 = x(0)^2 r^2$$
 (2)

$$\implies r = x(0) = -3 \tag{3}$$

general term

$$x(n) = x(0) r^n = (-3) (-3)^n u(n)$$
 (4)

The 7^{th} term of the sequence will be:

$$x(6) = x(0)r^6 \tag{5}$$

$$=-2187$$
 (6)

Z transform of the given G.P is
$$X(z) = \frac{a}{1-rz^{-1}} = \frac{-3}{1+3z^{-1}}$$
. $\{ROC: |rz^{-1}| < 1\}$

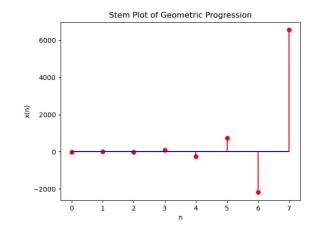


Fig. 1. Graph showing first 8 terms of the GP