Q:Two APs have the same common difference. The difference between their 100th terms is 100, what is the difference between their 1000th terms?

## **Solution:**

Let us assume given two APs(Arithmetic Progressions) as X and Y whose first terms are given by x(0) and y(0). Let d be the common difference of the APs. We know that,

*n*th term of an AP is given by

$$x(n) = [x(0) + (n)d]u(n)$$
 (1)

$$x(99) - y(99) = 100 \tag{2}$$

$$\implies (x(0) + 99d) - (y(0) + 99d) = 100 \tag{3}$$

$$\implies x(0) - y(0) = 100 \tag{4}$$

Now to find the difference between the 1000th terms of APs;

$$x(999) - y(999) = (x(0) + 999d) - (y(0) + 999d)$$
(5)

$$= x(0) - y(0) \tag{6}$$

$$= 100 \tag{7}$$

Therefore, the difference between the 1000th terms of two given APs is 100.

We know that,

The Z-transform of a discrete signal x(n) is given by:

$$X(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{x(n)\} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n}$$

Considering x(n-1) and y(n-1) as  $n^{th}$  terms of the APs(Arithmetic Progressions), Z-transform for x(n-1) and y(n-1) can be given by

$$X(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{x(n)\} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n}$$
(8)

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{n} x(n)z^{-n}$$
 (9)

$$= x(0)z^{0} + x(1)z^{-1} + x(2)z^{-2} + \dots + x(n)z^{-(n)}$$
(10)

$$= x(0) + (x(0) + d)z^{-1} + (x(0) + 2d)z^{-2} + \dots + (x(0) + nd)z^{-n}$$
(11)

$$= x(0)[1 + z^{-1} + z^{-2} + \dots + z^{-n}] + d[1 \cdot z^{-1} + 2 \cdot z^{-2} + \dots + n \cdot z^{-n}]$$
 (12)

$$= x(0)U(z) + d[1.z^{-1} + 2.z^{-2} + \dots + n.z^{-n}]$$
(13)

$$= x(0)U(z) + d[-z\frac{d(U(z))}{dz}]$$
(14)

$$Y(z) = y(0)U(z) + d[1.z^{-1} + 2.z^{-2} + \dots + n.z^{-n}]$$
(15)

(16)

$$X(z) = x(0)U(z) + d(-z)\frac{d(U(z))}{dz}$$
(17)

$$Y(z) = y(0)U(z) + d(-z)\frac{d(U(z))}{dz}$$
(18)

(19)

Variable	Description	Value
x(n)	$n^{th}$ term of X	none
y(n)	n <sup>th</sup> term of Y	none
d	common difference between the terms of AP	none
X(z)	z-transform of x(n)	none
Y(z)	z-transform of y(n)	none
U(z)	z-transform of u(n)	$\frac{1}{1-z^{-1}},  z  > 1$

TABLE 0
INPUT PARAMETERS