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(1) and y(1). Let d be the common difference of the APs.

We know that, *n*th term of an AP is given by x(n) = x(1) + (n-1)d.

Given that the difference between the 100th terms is 100.

$$x(100) - y(100) = 100 \tag{1}$$

$$(x(1) + 99d) - (y(1) + 99d) = 100$$
(since 999d cancels out, the equation will be) (2)

$$x(1) - y(1) = 100 (3)$$

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

$$x(1000) - y(1000) = (x(1) + 999d) - (y(1) + 999d)$$
(since 999d cancels out, the equation will be) (4)

$$= x(1) - y(1) (5)$$

$$= 100$$
(from the above equation) (6)

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

$$X(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{x(n)\} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n}$$
(7)

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{n} x(n)z^{-n}$$
 (8)

$$= x(1)z^{-1} + x(2)z^{-2} + \ldots + x(n)z^{-n}$$
(9)

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

$$= x(1)[z^{-1} + z^{-2} + \dots + z^{-n}] + d[1.z^{-2} + \dots + (n-1).z^{-n}]$$
(11)

$$= x(1) \cdot U(z) + d[-z \cdot \frac{d(U(z))}{dz} - U(z)]$$
 (12)

(13)

$$X(z) = [x(1) - d] \cdot U(z) + d[-z \cdot \frac{d(U(z))}{dz}]$$

similarly

$$Y(z) = [y(1) - d] \cdot U(z) + d[-z \cdot \frac{d(U(z))}{dz}]$$

Variable	Description	Value
<i>X</i> , <i>Y</i>	Two given APs	none
x(n),y(n)	$n^{th}$ term of X, $n^{th}$ term of Y	none
n	position of the term in the AP	none
d	common difference between the terms of AP	none
X(z)	z-transform of x(n)	$[x(1) - d] \cdot U(z) + d[-z \cdot \frac{d(U(z))}{dz}]$
Y(z)	z-transform of y(n)	$[y(1) - d] \cdot U(z) + d[-z \cdot \frac{d(U(z))}{dz}]$
U(z)	z-transform of u(n)	$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^{-n}$
$\frac{d(U(z))}{dz}$	Derivative of U(z)	$-\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}nz^{-n-1}$

TABLE 0
VARIABLES AND THEIR VALUES