Assignment CS_15Q

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QUESTION

The Lucas sequence L_n is defined by the recurrence relation:

$$L_n = L_{n-1} + L_{n-2}, \text{ for } n \geq 3$$

with $L_1 = 1$ and $L_2 = 3$
Which one of the option given is TRUE?

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

2) $L_n = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{3}\right)^n$

3) $L_n = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{3}\right)^n$

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

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Solution:
Initial condition $L_1 = 1$ and $L_2 = 3$

$$L_n = L_{n-1} + L_{n-2} \tag{1}$$

Assume $L_{n+1} = x(n)$

$$x(n) = [x(n-1) + x(n-2) - 3]u(n-2) + u(n) + 2u(n-1) \tag{2}$$

$$X(z) = z^{-1}(X(z) - 1) + z^{-2}X(z) - 3\frac{z^{-2}}{1-z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}} + 2\frac{z^{-1}}{1-z^{-1}} \tag{3}$$

$$X(z)(1 - z^{-1} - z^{-2})(1 - z^{-1}) = 1 + z^{-1} - 2z^{-2} \tag{4}$$

$$X(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1} - 2z^{-2}}{(1 - z^{-1} - z^{-2})(1 - z^{-1})} \tag{5}$$

$$X(z) = \frac{A}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{B}{1 - \alpha z^{-1}} + \frac{C}{1 - \beta z^{-1}} \tag{6}$$

Where, $\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ and $\beta = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$

using partial fractions,

$$X(z) = \frac{\alpha + 2}{(\alpha - \beta)(1 - \alpha z^{-1})} + \frac{\beta + 2}{(\beta - \alpha)(1 - \beta z^{-1})} \tag{7}$$

$$a^n u(n) \xleftarrow{\;z\;} \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \quad |z| > |a|$$

Substituting this result,

$$x(n) = \frac{\alpha + 2}{(\alpha - \beta)}(\alpha^n u(n)) - \frac{\beta + 2}{(\alpha - \beta)}(\beta^n u(n)) \tag{8}$$

$$x(n) = \frac{(5 + \sqrt{5})(1 + \sqrt{5})^n - (5 - \sqrt{5})(1 - \sqrt{5})^n}{2^{n+1}\sqrt{5}}u(n) \tag{9}$$

$$x(n) = \frac{(1 + \sqrt{5})^{n+1} - (1 - \sqrt{5})^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}}u(n) \tag{10}$$

$\therefore L_n = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n$ option 1 is correct.
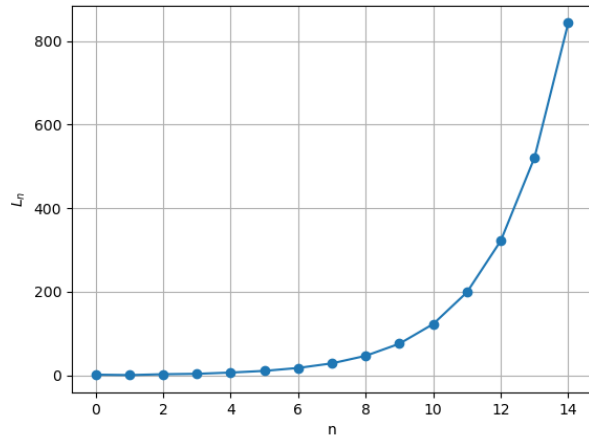
Fig. 1. $L_n = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n$