

11.9.2 Q 4

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Question 4: How many terms of the A.P. $-6, -\frac{11}{2}, -5, \dots$ are needed to give the sum -25 ?

Solution:

Symbol	Value	Description
$x(0)$	-6	first term of AP
d	$\frac{1}{2}$	common difference of AP
$n + 1$	$?$	number of terms
$x(n)$	$x(0) + nd$	nth term of the AP

TABLE 1
INPUT DATA

$$y(n) = x(n) * u(n) \quad (1)$$

$$Y(z) = X(z) U(z) \quad (2)$$

$$Y(z) = \frac{x(0)}{(1 - z^{-1})^2} + \frac{dz^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^3} \quad |z| > 1 \quad (3)$$

$$Y(z) = \frac{-6}{(1 - z^{-1})^2} + \frac{0.5z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^3} \quad |z| > 1 \quad (4)$$

Some Results:

$$(n + 1) \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{(1 - z^{-1})^2} \quad |z| > 1 \quad (5)$$

$$(n^2 + n) \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{2z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^3} \quad |z| > 1 \quad (6)$$

Using (5) and (6) and taking inverse Z-transform

$$y(n) = (-6(n + 1) + \frac{1}{4}(n^2 + n))u(n) \quad (7)$$

$$\Rightarrow -25 = \frac{1}{4}n^2 - \frac{23}{4}n - 6 \quad (8)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = n^2 - 23n + 76 \quad (9)$$

$$n = 19 \text{ or } 4 \quad (10)$$

Hence number of terms required is 5 or 20.

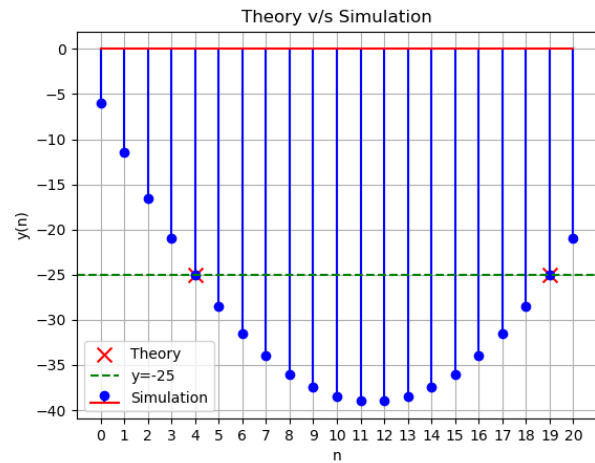


Fig. 0. Theory matches with simulated values