

NCERT 11.9.5 26Q

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Question: Show that

$$\frac{1 \times 2^2 + 2 \times 3^2 + \dots + n \times (n+1)^2}{1^2 \times 2 + 2^2 \times 3 + \dots + n^2 \times (n+1)} = \frac{3n+5}{3n+1}$$

Solution:

Consider the Numerator of the LHS part:

$$1 \times 2^2 + 2 \times 3^2 + \dots + n \times (n+1)^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n k(k+1)^2$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n k(k+1)^2 &= \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 + 2k^2 + k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 + \sum_{k=1}^n 2k^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n k \\ &= \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + \frac{2}{3}(2n+1) + 1 \right] \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \left[\frac{3n^2 + 11n + 10}{6} \right] \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{12} [3n^2 + 6n + 5n + 10] \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{12} [3n(n+2) + 5(n+2)] \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(3n+5)}{12} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$1 \times 2^2 + 2 \times 3^2 + \dots + n \times (n+1)^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(3n+5)}{12} = x[n]$$

Consider the Denominator of the RHS part:

$$1^2 \times 2 + 2^2 \times 3 + \dots + n^2 \times (n+1) = \sum_{k=1}^n k^2(k+1)$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n k^2(k+1) &= \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 + k^2 \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 + \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + \frac{2n+1}{3} \right] \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \left[\frac{3n^2 + 7n + 2}{6} \right] \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{12} [3n^2 + 6n + n + 2] \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{12} [3n(n+2) + (n+2)] \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(3n+1)}{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(3n+1)}{12} = y[n]$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n k(k+1)^2}{\sum_{k=1}^n k^2(k+1)} &= \frac{\frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(3n+5)}{12}}{\frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(3n+1)}{12}} \\ &= \frac{3n+5}{3n+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x[n] &= \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(3n+5)}{12} \\
&= \frac{3n^4 + 14n^3 + 21n^2 + 10n}{12} \\
X(z) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} \quad (1)
\end{aligned}$$

But as n is the number of terms here Z-Transform is calculated as:

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x[n] \cdot z^{-n} \text{ or } X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] \cdot u[n] \cdot z^{-n}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
12X(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3n^4 z^{-n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 14n^3 z^{-n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 21n^2 z^{-n} \\
&\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 10n z^{-n} \quad (2)
\end{aligned}$$

Let $X_0(z)$ be z transform of $x[n] = u[n]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
X_0(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u[n] \cdot z^{-n} \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1) \cdot z^{-n} \\
&= 1 + z^{-1} + z^{-2} + \dots \\
&= \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \\
&= \frac{z}{z - 1}
\end{aligned}$$

By the differentiation property :

$$\begin{aligned}
nx[n] &\xleftrightarrow{z} -z \frac{dX(z)}{dz}, \\
nu[n] &\xleftrightarrow{z} -z \frac{dX(z)}{dz}, \\
\frac{dX(z)}{dz} &= -\frac{1}{(z-1)^2}, \\
nu(n) &\xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{z}{(z-1)^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the Z-transform of $n \cdot u[n]$,

$$X_1(z) = \frac{z}{(z-1)^2}. \quad (3)$$

By using the same property we can compute the z transform of other powers of n. Here, the z-transforms of $n^i \cdot u[n]$ are denoted as $X_i(z)$:

$$X_2(z) = \frac{z^{-1}(z^{-1} + 1)}{(1 - z^{-1})^3} \quad (4)$$

$$X_3(z) = \frac{z^{-1}(1 + 4z^{-1} + z^{-2})}{(1 - z^{-1})^4} \quad (5)$$

$$X_4(z) = \frac{z^{-1}(1 + 11z^{-1} + 11z^{-2} + z^{-3})}{(1 - z^{-1})^5} \quad (6)$$

Equation(2) can be now written as:

$$\begin{aligned}
X(z) &= \frac{1}{12} (3X_4(z) + 14X_3(z) + 21X_2(z) + 10X_1(z)) \\
&= \frac{3}{12} \left(\frac{z^{-1}(1 + 11z^{-1} + 11z^{-2} + z^{-3})}{(1 - z^{-1})^5} \right) \\
&\quad + \frac{14}{12} \left(\frac{z^{-1}(1 + 4z^{-1} + z^{-2})}{(1 - z^{-1})^4} \right) + \frac{21}{12} \left(\frac{z^{-1}(z^{-1} + 1)}{(1 - z^{-1})^3} \right) \\
&\quad + \frac{10}{12} \left(\frac{z}{(z-1)^2} \right) \\
&= \frac{2(z^{-2} + 2z^{-1})}{(1 - z^{-1})^5}
\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
y[n] &= \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(3n+1)}{12} \\
&= \frac{3n^4 + 10n^3 + 9n^2 + 2n}{12} \\
Y(z) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y[n]}{12} z^{-n} \quad (7)
\end{aligned}$$

But as n is the number of terms here Z-Transform is calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned}
Y(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y[n] \cdot z^{-n} \text{ or } Y(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} y[n] \cdot u[n] \cdot z^{-n} \\
12Y(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3n^4 z^{-n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 10n^3 z^{-n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 9n^2 z^{-n} \quad (8) \\
&\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2n z^{-n}
\end{aligned}$$

We can say that Y_i denote the z-transform of n^i which will be same as respective X_i

$$X_i = Y_i$$

And,

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y(z) &= \frac{1}{12}(3Y_4(z) + 10Y_3(z) + 9Y_2(z) + 2Y_1(z)) \\
 &= \frac{3}{12} \left(\frac{z^{-1}(1 + 11z^{-1} + 11z^{-2} + z^{-3})}{(1 - z^{-1})^5} \right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{10}{12} \left(\frac{z^{-1}(1 + 4z^{-1} + z^{-2})}{(1 - z^{-1})^4} \right) + \frac{9}{12} \left(\frac{z^{-1}(z^{-1} + 1)}{(1 - z^{-1})^3} \right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{2}{12} \left(\frac{z}{(z - 1)^2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{2(z^{-1} + 2z^{-2})}{(1 - z^{-1})^5}
 \end{aligned}$$