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NCERT Mathematics 10.5.2 Q10

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Question: The 17th term of an AP exceeds its 10th term by 7. Find the common difference.

Solution:

Parameter	Value
x(16) - x(9)	7

Let (x(n-1)) represent the (n)th term of an arithmetic progression (AP) with common difference d. Given that the 17th term (x(16)) exceeds the 10th term (x(9)) by 7, we can express this as:

$$x(16) - x(9) = 7 \tag{1}$$

Using the formula for the nth term of an AP (x(n-1) = x(0) + (n-1)d), we substitute and simplify:

$$(x(0) + 16d) - (x(0) + 9d) = 7 (2)$$

This simplifies to:

$$7d = 7 \tag{3}$$

Therefore, the common difference is d = 1.

$$x(n) = x(0) + (n)d \tag{4}$$

Now,

$$u(n) = x(n) = x(0) + (n)d$$
 (5)

The z-transform of u(n) is given by

$$U(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} u(n)z^{-n}$$
 (6)

$$U(z) = u(0) \cdot \frac{1}{1 - zd} + d \cdot \frac{z}{(1 - zd)^2}$$
 (7)