

# 11.9.4.4

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## QUESTION:

Find sum to n terms of the following series:

$$\frac{1}{1 \times 2} + \frac{1}{2 \times 3} + \frac{1}{3 \times 4} + \dots$$

## SOLUTION:

Parameters in expression		
Symbol	Description	Value
$x(n)$	$n^{\text{th}}$ term of series	

TABLE 0  
PARAMETERS

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} u(n) \quad (1)$$

(2)

Using (??),

$$X(z) = z(z-1) \log(1-z^{-1}) + z, \quad |z| > |1| \quad (3)$$

$$y(n) = x(n) * u(n) \quad (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(z) = X(z)U(z) \quad (5)$$

$$= z^2 \ln(1-z^{-1}) + \frac{z^2}{z-1} \quad (6)$$

Using contour integral to find Z transform, we get

$$y(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_C Y(z) z^{n-1} dz \quad (7)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_C z^{n+1} \ln(1-z^{-1}) + \frac{z^{n+1}}{z-1} dz \quad (8)$$

Now, using Cauchy's residual theorem for the second term of the integral(=R,say), and observing the fact that one pole exists at  $z = 1$ ,

$$R = \lim_{z \rightarrow c} (z-c)f(z) \quad (9)$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} z^{n+1} \quad (10)$$

$$= 1 \quad (11)$$

Thus, The first term of the integral(=d(n),say) can be calculated directly.

$$d(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_C z^{n+1} \ln(1-z^{-1}) dz \quad (12)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2\pi j} \oint_C z^{n+1} (z^{-1} + \frac{z^{-2}}{2} + \frac{z^{-3}}{3} + \dots + \frac{z^{-(n+1)}}{n+1} + \frac{z^{-(n+2)}}{n+2} + \dots) dz \quad (13)$$

$$z = e^{jt} \quad (14)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{(n+2)jt} (e^{-jt} + \frac{e^{-2jt}}{2} + \frac{e^{-3jt}}{3} + \dots + \frac{e^{-(n+2)jt}}{n+2} + \dots) dt \quad (15)$$

$$= \frac{-1}{n+2} \quad (16)$$

Thus,

$$y(n) = 1 - \frac{1}{n+2} \quad (17)$$

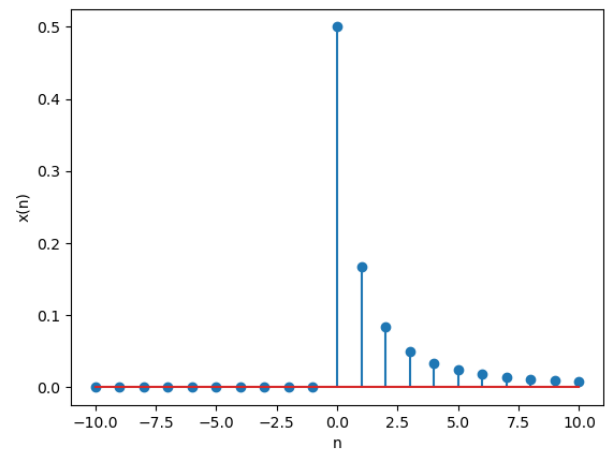


Fig. 0. Stem Plot of  $x(n)$  v/s  $n$