

# NCERT Discrete 11.9.1 Q7

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**Question:** If  $a, b, c$  are in A.P.;  $b, c, d$  are in G.P and  $\frac{1}{c}, \frac{1}{d}, \frac{1}{e}$  are in A.P. prove that  $a, c, e$  are in G.P.

**Solution:**

Symbol	Remarks
$x_1(n)$	A.P Sequence
$x_2(n)$	G.P Sequence
$x_3(n)$	A.P Sequence
$y(n)$	Sequence of $a, c, e$
$x_1(0)$	$a$
$x_1(1)$	$b$
$x_1(2)$	$c$
$x_2(0)$	$b$
$x_2(1)$	$c$
$x_2(2)$	$d$
$x_3(0)$	$\frac{1}{c}$
$x_3(1)$	$\frac{1}{d}$
$x_3(2)$	$\frac{1}{e}$
$y(0)$	$a$
$y(1)$	$c$
$y(2)$	$e$

TABLE I  
PARAMETERS

$$x_1(1) - x_1(0) = x_1(2) - x_1(1) \quad (1)$$

$$2x_1(1) = x_1(0) + x_1(2) \quad (2)$$

$$x_1(1) = \frac{x_1(0) + x_1(2)}{2} \quad (3)$$

$$x_2(1)^2 = x_2(0) \times x_2(2) \quad (4)$$

$$x_2(2) = \frac{x_2(1)^2}{x_2(0)} \quad (5)$$

$$x_3(1) - x_3(0) = x_3(2) - x_3(1) \quad (6)$$

$$2x_3(1) = x_3(0) + x_3(2) \quad (7)$$

From (5),

$$2 \frac{x_2(0)}{x_2(1)^2} = x_3(0) + x_3(2) \quad (8)$$

From (2),

$$\frac{x_1(0) + x_1(2)}{x_1(2)^2} = x_3(0) + x_3(2) \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{x_1(0)}{x_1(2)^2} + \frac{1}{x_1(2)} = x_3(0) + x_3(2) \quad (10)$$

$$\frac{x_1(0)}{x_3(2)} = x_2(2)^2 \quad (11)$$

$$y(0) \cdot y(2) = y(1)^2 \quad (12)$$

So,  $y(0), y(1), y(2)$  are in G.P

For  $x_1(n)$ ,

$$x_1(n) = (x_1(0) + n(x_1(1) - x_1(0)))u(n) \quad (13)$$

Using Z-transform,

$$X_1(z) = \frac{x_1(0)}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{(x_1(1) - x_1(0))z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^2}, \quad |z| > 1 \quad (14)$$

For  $x_2(n)$ ,

$$x_2(n) = x_2(0) \left( \frac{x_2(1)}{x_2(0)} \right)^n u(n) \quad (15)$$

Using Z-transform,

$$X_2(z) = \frac{x_2(1)}{1 - \frac{x_2(1)}{x_2(0)}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \left| \frac{x_2(1)}{x_2(0)} \right| \quad (16)$$

For  $x_3(n)$ ,

$$x_3(n) = (x_3(0) + n(x_3(1) - x_3(0)))u(n) \quad (17)$$

Using Z-transform,

$$X_3(z) = \frac{x_3(0)}{1 - z^{-1}} + (x_3(1) - x_3(0)) \frac{z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^2}, \quad |z| > 1 \quad (18)$$

For  $y(n)$ ,

$$y(n) = y(0) \left( \frac{y(1)}{y(0)} \right)^n u(n) \quad (19)$$

Using Z-transform,

$$Y(z) = \frac{y(1)}{1 - \frac{y(1)}{y(0)} z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \left| \frac{y(1)}{y(0)} \right| \quad (20)$$