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Question:

A small terrace at a football ground comprises of 15 steps each of which is 50 m long and built of solid concrete. Each step has a rise of $\frac{1}{4}$ m and a tread of $\frac{1}{2}$ m. Calculate the total volume of concrete required to build the terrace. [Hint: Volume of concrete required to build the first step=

$$V = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 50 \quad (1)$$

solution:

$$x(n+1) - x(n) = 6.25m^3 \quad (2)$$

$$y(n) = \frac{n+1}{2} [2x(0) + (n)d] \quad (3)$$

$$n = 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad \dots \quad (4)$$

here

parameter	description	value
$x(0)$	first term	6.25
d	common difference	6.25
n	no of terms -1	14
$x(n)$	volume of $(n+1)$ th step	$x(0) + nd$

TABLE 0: formula parameters

$$y(14) = \frac{14+1}{2} [12.5 + (14)6.25] \quad (5)$$

$$= 750m^3 \quad (6)$$

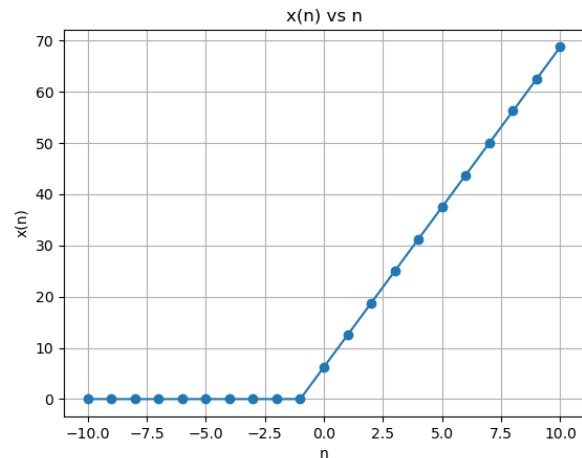


Fig. 0: plot $x(n)$ vs n

$$x(Z) = \frac{x(0)}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{dz^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^2} \quad |z| > |1| \quad (7)$$

$$x(Z) = \frac{6.25}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{6.25z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^2} \quad |z| > |1| \quad (8)$$

convolution for $y(n)$:

$$Y(Z) = X(Z) U(Z) \quad (9)$$

$$U(Z) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \quad |z| > |1| \quad (10)$$

$$Y(Z) = \left(\frac{6.25}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{6.25z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})^2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \right) \quad (11)$$