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Pingala Series

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Abstract—This manual provides a simple introduction to Transforms

1 JEE 2019

Let α, β are the roots of the equation

$$z^2 - z - 1 = 0 \tag{1.1}$$

and.

$$a_n = \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta}, \quad n \ge 1 \tag{1.2}$$

$$b_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n+1}, \quad n \ge 2, \quad b_1 = 1$$
 (1.3)

Verify the following using a python code.

1.1

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k = a_{n+2} - 1, \quad n \ge 1$$
 (1.4)

1.2

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_k}{10^k} = \frac{10}{89} \tag{1.5}$$

1.3

$$b_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n, \quad n \ge 1 \tag{1.6}$$

1.4

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_k}{10^k} = \frac{8}{89} \tag{1.7}$$

Solution: Download the python code for the problem from

\$ wget https://raw.githubusercontent.com/kn-vardhan/EE3900-Digital-Signal-Processing/main/pingala/codes/jee_2019.py

and run it using the command

python3 jee_2019.py

2 Pingala Series

2.1 The *one sided Z*-transform of x(n) is defined as

$$X^{+}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}$$
 (2.1)

2.2 The *Pingala* series is generated using the difference equation

$$x(n+2) = x(n+1) + x(n),$$
 (2.2)

$$x(0) = x(1) = 1, n \ge 0$$
 (2.3)

Generate a stem plot for x(n).

Solution: Download the python code for the stem plot from

\$ wget https://raw.githubusercontent.com/knvardhan/EE3900-Digital-Signal-Processing/main/pingala/codes/stem.py

and run it using the command

python3 stem.py

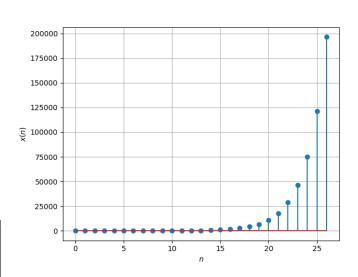


Fig. 2.2: Plot of x(n)

2.3 Find $X^{+}(z)$.

Solution: Applying the one-sided z-transformation to (2.3), will give us

$$Z^{+}[x(n+2)] = Z^{+}[x(n+1)] + Z^{+}[x(n)]$$

(2.4)

$$(z^2 - z - 1)X^+(z) = z^2 (2.5)$$

$$X^{+}(z) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1} - z^{-2}}$$
 (2.6)

$$= \frac{1}{(1 - \alpha z^{-1})(1 - \beta z^{-1})}, \quad |z| > \alpha$$
 (2.7)

2.4 Find x(n).

Solution: Expanding $X^+(z)$ from (2.7), gives

$$X^{+}(z) = \frac{1}{(\alpha - \beta) z^{-1}} \left[\frac{1}{1 - \alpha z^{-1}} - \frac{1}{1 - \beta z^{-1}} \right]$$
(2.8)

$$= \frac{1}{(\alpha - \beta)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\alpha^n - \beta^n) z^{-n+1}$$
 (2.9)

$$=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta} z^{-n+1}$$
 (2.10)

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^{k+1} - \beta^{k+1}}{\alpha - \beta} z^{-k}$$
 (2.11)

where k := n + 1.

Therefore,

$$x(n) = \frac{\alpha^{n+1} - \beta^{n+1}}{\alpha - \beta} u(n) = a_{n+1} u(n)$$
 (2.12)

2.5 Sketch

$$y(n) = x(n-1) + x(n+1), \quad n \ge 0$$
 (2.13)

Solution: Download the Python code for sketch from

\$ wget https://raw.githubusercontent.com/knvardhan/EE3900-Digital-Signal-Processing/main/pingala/codes/y z.py

and run it using the command

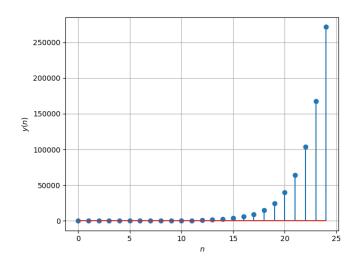


Fig. 2.5: Plot of y(n)

2.6 Find $Y^{+}(z)$.

Solution: Applying the one-sided z-transformation to (2.13), will give us

$$Z^{+}[y(n)] = Z^{+}[x(n-1)] + Z^{+}[x(n+1)]$$

(2.14)

$$= \frac{z + z^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1} - z^{-2}} - z \tag{2.15}$$

as $x(n) = 0 \forall n < 0$, therefore,

$$Y^{+}(z) = \frac{1 + 2z^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1} - z^{-2}}, \quad |z| \ge \alpha$$
 (2.16)

2.7 Find y(n).

Solution: Using (2.7),

$$Y^{+}(z) = (1 + 2z^{-1}) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n}$$
 (2.17)

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2x(n-1)z^{-n} \quad (2.18)$$

$$= x(0) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x(n) + 2x(n-1)) z^{-n}$$
(2.19)

Solving the above equation gives us

$$y(n) = \alpha^{n+1} + \beta^{n+1} \tag{2.20}$$

Thus, y(0) = x(0) = 1 and for $n \ge 1$, using the fact that α and β are the roots of the equation $z^2 - z - 1 = 0$,

$$y(n) = \frac{\left(\alpha^{n+1} - \beta^{n+1}\right) + (2\alpha^n + 2\beta^n)}{\alpha - \beta}$$
 (2.21)

Thus, $y(n) = \alpha^{n+1} + \beta^{n+1}$ for $n \ge 0$ as $\alpha + \beta = 1$. Comparing (2.20) with the definition of b_n , we see that $y(n) = b_{n+1}$. Hence, $b_n = \alpha^n + \beta^n$.

3 Power of the Z transform

3.1 Show that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} x(n) = x(n) * u(n-1)$$
 (3.1)

Solution: From (2.12), and also as $x(n) = 0 \ \forall \ n < 0$, we get,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} x(k)$$
 (3.2)

$$=\sum_{k=-\infty}^{n-1}x(k)\tag{3.3}$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k)u(n-1-k)$$
 (3.4)

$$= x(n) * u(n-1)$$
 (3.5)

3.2 Show that

$$a_{n+2} - 1, \quad n \ge 1$$
 (3.6)

can be expressed as

$$[x(n+1)-1]u(n)$$
 (3.7)

Solution: From (2.12), we can see that,

$$a_{n+2} - 1 = [x(n+1) - 1], \quad n \ge 0$$
 (3.8)

Now, applying the property of u(n) gives us,

$$a_{n+1} - 1 = [x(n+1) - 1] u(n), \quad n \ge 0 \quad (3.9)$$

3.3 Show that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_k}{10^k} = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x(k)}{10^k} = \frac{1}{10} X^+ (10) \quad (3.10)$$

Solution:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_k}{10^k} = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_{k+1}}{10^k}$$
 (3.11)

$$= \frac{1}{10} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x(k)}{10^k}$$
 (3.12)

$$=\frac{1}{10}X^{+}(z)\tag{3.13}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} \times \frac{100}{89} = \frac{10}{89} \tag{3.14}$$

3.4 Show that

$$\alpha^n + \beta^n, \quad n \ge 1 \tag{3.15}$$

can be expressed as

$$w(n) = (\alpha^{n+1} + \beta^{n+1})u(n)$$
 (3.16)

and find W(z).

Solution: Putting n = k + 1 in (3.15) and using the definition of u(n),

$$\alpha^{n} + \beta^{n} = (\alpha^{k+1} + \beta^{k+1})u(k)$$
 (3.17)

Hence, (3.15) can be expressed as

$$w(n) = \left(\alpha^{n+1} + \beta^{n+1}\right)u(n) = y(n)$$
 (3.18)

Therefore.

$$W(z) = Y(z) = \frac{1 + 2z^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1} - z^{-2}}$$
 (3.19)

3.5 Show that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_k}{10^k} = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{y(k)}{10^k} = \frac{1}{10} Y^+ (10) \quad (3.20)$$

Solution:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_k}{10^k} = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_{k+1}}{10^k}$$
 (3.21)

$$=\frac{1}{10}\sum_{k=0}^{\infty}\frac{y(k)}{10^k}$$
 (3.22)

$$=\frac{1}{10}Y^{+}(z)\tag{3.23}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} \times \frac{120}{89} = \frac{12}{89} \tag{3.24}$$

3.6 Solve the JEE 2019 problem.

Solution: We know that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k = x(n) * u(n-1)$$
 (3.25)

But

$$x(n) * u(n-1) \stackrel{\mathcal{Z}}{\rightleftharpoons} X(z)z^{-1}U(z)$$
 (3.26)

$$x(n) * u(n-1) \stackrel{\mathcal{Z}}{\rightleftharpoons} X(z)z^{-1}U(z)$$
 (3.26)
=
$$\frac{z^{-1}}{(1-z^{-1}-z^{-2})(1-z^{-1})}$$
 (3.27)

$$= z \left[\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1} - z^{-2}} - \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \right]$$
 (3.28)

Thus, we get

$$x(n) * u(n-1) \stackrel{\mathcal{Z}}{\rightleftharpoons} z \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x(n)-1) z^{-n}$$
 (3.29)
=
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x(n)-1) z^{-n+1}$$
 (3.30)
=
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x(n+1)-1) z^{-n}$$
 (3.31)
(3.32)

From (2.12), we get

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k = a_{n+2} - 1 \tag{3.33}$$

We have already found the relevant answers of the options from (2.7), (3.3), and (3.5).

Therefore,

Correct Option(s) - (a), (b), (c)

Incorrect Option(s) - (d).