

Computer Science & IT

Discrete Mathematics



Combinatorics

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Recap of Previous Lecture



Topic

Formation of recurrence relation



Topic

Solution of recurrence relation using
substitution method



Topics to be Covered



Topic

Solution of recurrence relation using method of characteristic roots



Topic

Method of undetermined coefficient for particular solution





Topic : Substitution method



In this method we use recurrence relation repetitively for $n=0,1,2,\dots$, then we solve the expression to obtain the solution of recurrence relation.

#Q. Find the solution of the recurrence relation

$$\underline{a_n} = \underline{n} \underline{a_{n-1}}, \quad \text{where } a_0 = 1$$

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = 1 \cdot a_0 = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

$$a_2 = 2 \cdot a_1 = 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 2$$

$$a_3 = 3 \cdot a_2 = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 6$$

$$a_4 = 4 \cdot a_3 = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 12$$

⋮

$$a_n = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = n!$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{a_n = n!}$$

#Q.

Find the solution of the recurrence relation

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + 3^{n-1}, \quad \text{where } a_1 = 2$$

$$a_1 = 2$$

$$a_2 = a_1 + 3^{2-1} = 2 + 3^1$$

$$a_3 = a_2 + 3^{3-1} = 2 + 3^1 + 3^2$$

$$a_4 = a_3 + 3^{4-1} = 2 + 3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3$$

\vdots

$$a_n = 2 + 3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^{n-2} + 3^{n-1}$$
$$= \underbrace{1 + 3^0}_{a_1} + 3^1 + 3^2 + \dots + 3^{n-1}$$

Summation of GP = $\frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$

first term $\rightarrow a$
Common ratio $\rightarrow r$
No. of terms $\rightarrow n$

$$a_n = 1 + [3^0 + 3^1 + 3^2 + \dots + 3^{n-1}]$$

$$= 1 + \left[\frac{1 \cdot (3^n - 1)}{3 - 1} \right]$$

$$= 1 + \frac{3^n - 1}{2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{3^n + 1}{2} \right)$$

#Q. Find the solution of the recurrence relation

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + (2n + 1), \text{ where } a_0 = 1$$

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = a_0 + (2 \cdot 1 + 1) = 1 + (2 \cdot 1 + 1)$$

$$a_2 = a_1 + (2 \cdot 2 + 1) = 1 + (2 \cdot 1 + 1) + (2 \cdot 2 + 1)$$

$$a_3 = a_2 + (2 \cdot 3 + 1) = 1 + (2 \cdot 1 + 1) + (2 \cdot 2 + 1) + (2 \cdot 3 + 1)$$

⋮

$$a_n = 1 + (2 \cdot 1 + 1) + (2 \cdot 2 + 1) + (2 \cdot 3 + 1) + \dots + (2 \cdot n + 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_n &= 1 + (2 \cdot 1 + 1) + (2 \cdot 2 + 1) + (2 \cdot 3 + 1) + \dots + (2 \cdot n + 1) \\
 &= \sqrt{1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + 9 + \dots + (2n+1)} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{it is summation of first } (n+1) \\ \text{odd natural numbers} \end{array} \right. \\
 &\quad (2 \cdot 0 + 1) \\
 &= (n+1)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: Summation of first 'n' odd natural numbers = n^2

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_n &= 1 + (2 \cdot 1 + 1) + (2 \cdot 2 + 1) + (2 \cdot 3 + 1) + \dots + (2 \cdot n + 1) \\
 \underbrace{(n+1) \text{ term}} &= 1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + \dots + (2n+1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{It is an Arithmetic progression} \\ \text{with common difference} = 2 \end{array} \right. \\
 &= \frac{(n+1)}{2} [1 + (2n+1)] \\
 &= \frac{(n+1)}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot (n+1) = (n+1)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Summation of AP} &= \frac{n}{2} [2 \cdot a + (n-1)d] \\
 &= \frac{n}{2} [\text{first term} + \text{last term}]
 \end{aligned}$$

#Q.

Find the solution of the recurrence relation

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

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + \frac{1}{n(n+1)}, \text{ where } a_0 = 1$$

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = a_0 + \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} \right) = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$a_2 = a_1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$a_3 = a_2 + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right) = 1 + \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right)$$

⋮

$$a_n = 1 + \cancel{\left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} \right)} + \cancel{\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right)} + \cancel{\left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right)} + \dots + \cancel{\left(\frac{1}{(n-1)} - \frac{1}{n} \right)} + \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right)$$

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

$$a_n = \frac{(2n+1)}{(n+1)}$$



Topic : Solution of recurrence relation

✓ 1) Substitution method

Today's Topic 2) Method of characteristic roots

3) Using concept of generating function



Topic : Method of characteristic roots



Shift operator!.

$$a_{n+k} = E^k \cdot a_n$$

$$a_{n+(k-1)} = E^{k-1} \cdot a_n$$

\vdots

$$a_{n+1} = E^1 \cdot a_n$$

$$a_n = E^0 \cdot a_n = a_n$$



Topic : Method of characteristic roots

Consider the following linear recurrence relation.

$$\lambda_0 \cdot a_n + \lambda_1 \cdot a_{n-1} + \lambda_2 \cdot a_{n-2} + \dots + \lambda_k \cdot a_{n-k} = f(n) \text{ — eq}^n \textcircled{1}$$

Put $n-k = n$,

i.e., $n = n+k$,

∴ Equation becomes,

$$\lambda_0 \cdot a_{n+k} + \lambda_1 \cdot a_{n+k-1} + \lambda_2 \cdot a_{n+k-2} + \dots + \lambda_k \cdot a_n = F(n) \text{ — eq}^n \textcircled{2}$$

It is the new function
obtain after replacing
 n by $(n)+k$ in $f(n)$.



Topic : Method of characteristic roots

Use shift operator in eqⁿ ② i.e. $a_{n+i} = E^i \cdot a_n$

$$\lambda_0 \cdot (E^k \cdot a_n) + \lambda_1 \cdot (E^{k-1} \cdot a_n) + \lambda_2 (E^{k-2} \cdot a_n) + \dots + \lambda_k \cdot (E^0 \cdot a_n) = F(n)$$

$$E^k \cdot \lambda_0 \cdot a_n + E^{k-1} \cdot \lambda_1 \cdot a_n + E^{k-2} \cdot \lambda_2 \cdot a_n + \dots + \lambda_k \cdot a_n = F(n)$$

$$(E^k \cdot \lambda_0 + E^{k-1} \cdot \lambda_1 + E^{k-2} \cdot \lambda_2 + \dots + E^0 \cdot \lambda_k) a_n = F(n)$$

it is a polynomial of degree 'k', let's call it $\phi(E)$

i.e.,

$$\boxed{\phi(E) \cdot a_n = F(n)}$$

✓ eqⁿ ③



Topic : Method of characteristic roots

* Characteristic Equation :-

$\phi(E)$ is a Polynomial of degree = K

$[\phi(t) = 0]$ is called Characteristic Equation

Roots of Characteristic Equation are called Characteristic roots.

Let the Characteristic roots are,

$t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots, t_K$

' K ' characteristic roots, w.r.t. polynomial of degree = K



Topic : Method of characteristic roots

Complementary Function (C.F.)

Complementary function is the solution w.r.t. homogeneous part of linear recurrence relation.
{i.e. w.r.t. $f(n) = 0$ }

Particular Solution: -

Particular solution is the solution w.r.t. non-homogeneous part of linear recurrence relation
{i.e. w.r.t. $f(n) \neq 0$ }

∴ Complete Solution of linear recurrence Relation = Complementary Function + Particular Solution

Note:-

If given recurrence relation is a homogeneous linear recurrence relation {i.e. $f(n)=0$ }, then Complementary function alone gives the Complete solution of the homogeneous linear recurrence relation.

$$a_n = a_n^H + a_n^P$$

$$3a_n + 5a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} = 2^n$$

$$= 0$$

$$a_n^H$$

$$2^n$$

$$3 \cdot (a_n^H + a_n^P) + 5(a_{n-1}^H + a_{n-1}^P) + (a_{n-2}^H + a_{n-2}^P)$$

$$\underbrace{(3 \cdot a_n^H + 5a_{n-1}^H + a_{n-2}^H)}_0 + \underbrace{(3 \cdot a_n^P + 5a_{n-1}^P + a_{n-2}^P)}_{2^n} = 2^n$$



Topic : Method of characteristic roots

Rules to write Complementary function :-

Characteristic roots

Complementary function

① When all roots are real & distinct
i.e., $t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots, t_k$

$$C_1(t_1)^n + C_2(t_2)^n + C_3(t_3)^n + \dots + C_k(t_k)^n$$

C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k are unknown constants

② When all roots are real and two roots are equal,
let, $t_1, t_1, t_3, t_4, \dots, t_k$

$$(C_1 + C_2 n) \cdot (t_1)^n + C_3(t_3)^n + \dots + C_k(t_k)^n$$

C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k are constants

③ When roots are real & three roots are equal,
let $t_1, t_1, t_1, t_4, \dots, t_k$

$$(C_1 + C_2 n + C_3 n^2) \cdot (t_1)^n + C_4(t_4)^n + \dots + C_k(t_k)^n$$

C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k are constants.

And so on

Note: We can write the Complementary function in the presence of Complex root as well.
{ Not required for GATE }

Note: - In eqⁿ ① if $f(n) = 0$, then it becomes homogeneous linear recurrence relation, and Complementary function alone will give us the Complete solution of that linear recurrence relation.

Note: In eqⁿ ① if $f(n) \neq 0$, then Complete solution is defined as,

$$A_n = \text{Complementary function} + \text{Particular solution}$$

Solution w.r.t
homogeneous part



Solution w.r.t.
non-homogeneous
Part



i.e., if $f(n) \neq 0$, then we need to obtain the Particular solution as well.



Topic : Method of characteristic roots

Particular Solution : -

From Eqⁿ ③ $\phi(E) \cdot a_n = F(n)$

i.e., $a_n = \frac{F(n)}{\phi(E)}$

Particular solution (a_n^p) is the solution of $\left(\frac{F(n)}{\phi(E)} \right)$

P.S. = Solution of $\frac{F(n)}{\phi(E)}$

if $f(n) = 0$
then $F(n) = 0$
 $\therefore \frac{F(n)}{\phi(E)} = \frac{0}{\phi(E)} = 0$
Hence when $f(n) = 0$,
then Particular Solution = 0



Topic : Method of characteristic roots

Rules for writing Particular Solution When $F(n) = (b)^n$

Exponential function with some base = b

$$\text{Particular Solution} = \text{Solution of } \left(\frac{F(n)}{\phi(E)} \right) = \text{Solution of } \left(\frac{b^n}{\phi(E)} \right)$$

Case ① When 'b' is not a Characteristic root.
i.e., when $\phi(b) \neq 0$

$$\text{then Solution of } \left(\frac{b^n}{\phi(E)} \right) = \frac{b^n}{\phi(b)}$$

$$\therefore \text{Particular Solution } (a_n^p) = \frac{b^n}{\phi(b)}$$



Topic : Method of characteristic roots

Rules for writing Particular Solution When $F(n) = (b)^n$

Exponential function with some base = b

$$\text{Particular Solution} = \text{Solution of } \left(\frac{F(n)}{\phi(E)} \right) = \text{Solution of } \left(\frac{b^n}{\phi(E)} \right)$$

Case 2 :- When 'b' is the characteristic root with multiplicity 'm'.

$$\text{i.e., } \phi(b) = 0, \text{ and } \phi(E) = (E-b)^m \cdot \psi(E),$$

where, $\psi(b) \neq 0$

$$\text{then Particular Solution}(a_n^p) = \text{Solution of } \left(\frac{b^n}{\phi(E)} \right) = \text{Solution of } \left(\frac{b^n}{(E-b)^m \cdot \psi(E)} \right) = \frac{1}{\psi(b)} \left\{ n C_m (b)^{n-m} \right\}$$

Q: Find the solution of recurrence relation,

$$a_n = 3 \cdot a_{n-1}$$

Where $a_0 = 1$

Soluⁿ.

$$a_n - 3a_{n-1} = 0$$

← homogeneous

Put $n-1=n$ { step-1 put, $n-k=n$ }

$$a_{n+1} - 3a_n = 0$$

Use shift operator i.e. $a_{n+1} = E^1 a_n$

{ step 2: Use shift operator }

$$E^1 a_n - 3 \cdot E^0 a_n = 0$$

$$E \cdot a_n - 3 \cdot a_n = 0$$

$$\underbrace{(E-3)}_{\phi(E)} \cdot a_n = 0$$

$$\phi(E) = E-3,$$

∴ Characteristic equation is $t-3=0$ { $\phi(t)=0$ is }
ch. eqⁿ

$$\boxed{t=3}$$

Characteristic root is $t=3$

∴ Complementary function (C.F.) = $C_1 \cdot (3)^n$

← Constant

Given recurrence relation is homogeneous linear recurrence relation ∴ Particular Soluⁿ = 0

Hence, Complete Solution

$$a_n = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.S.}$$

$$\boxed{a_n = C_1 \cdot (3)^n}$$

We know $a_0 = 1$

$$\therefore a_0 = C_1 \cdot (3)^0$$

$$1 = C_1 \cdot (3)^0$$

$$\boxed{C_1 = 1}$$

Hence,

$$a_n = 1(3)^n$$

$$\boxed{a_n = 3^n}$$

Q: Find solution of recurrence relation.

$$a_n = 2 \cdot a_{n-1} - 1, \quad \text{where } \boxed{a_1 = 2}$$

$$a_n - 2a_{n-1} = -1$$

$$\boxed{\text{Put } n-1 = n}$$

$$a_{n+1} - 2a_n = -1$$

$$\boxed{\text{Shift operator}}$$

$$E \cdot a_n - 2a_n = -1$$

$$(E-2) \cdot a_n = -1$$

$$\phi(E) = E-2$$

$a_n = q^n$ is
 $t-2=0$
 \therefore Ch root is
 $t=2$.

Hence,

Complementary
function (C.F) = $C_1(2)^n$

$$\boxed{C.F = C_1(2)^n}$$

a_n^H

From

$$(E-2) \cdot a_n = -1$$

$$(E-2) \cdot a_n = -1 \cdot \left\{ \frac{1^n}{1} \right\}$$

$$a_n = \frac{-1 \cdot (1)^n}{(E-2)} \quad \text{base } \underline{b=1}$$

" $b=1$ " is not a
characteristic root
i.e. $\phi(b) \neq 0$.

$$\therefore \text{P.S.}(a_n^P) = \text{Soln} \left(\frac{-1 \cdot (1)^n}{(E-2)} \right)$$

$$= -1 \cdot \text{Soln} \left\{ \frac{(1)^n}{(E-2)} \right\} \rightarrow \phi(E)$$

$$= -1 \cdot \left\{ \frac{(1)^n}{\phi(1)} \right\} = -1 \cdot \left\{ \frac{(1)^n}{(1-2)} \right\} = 1$$

Complete Solution,

$$a_n = a_n^H + a_n^P$$
$$= \text{C.F} + \text{P.S.}$$

$$\boxed{a_n = C_1(2)^n + 1}$$

$$a_1 = 2$$

$$\therefore a_1 = 2 = C_1 \cdot (2)^1 + 1$$

$$\boxed{C_1 = \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\therefore a_n = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (2)^n + 1$$

$$\boxed{a_n = 2^{n-1} + 1}$$

Q. Find the Soluⁿ of recurrence relation,

$$a_n = 2 \cdot a_{n-1} + 2^n \xrightarrow{\text{fin}} \boxed{a_0 = 1}$$

$$a_n - 2a_{n-1} = 2^n$$

$$\boxed{\text{Put } n-1=n, (n+1)=n} \xrightarrow{\text{Fin}}$$

$$a_{n+1} - 2a_n = 2^{n+1}$$

using shift operator

$$E \cdot a_n - 2 \cdot a_n = 2^{n+1}$$

$$(E-2) \cdot a_n = 2^{n+1}$$

$$\phi(E) = (E-2)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\phi(E) \cdot a_n = 2(2)^n} \text{--- eqn ①}$$

Ch. eqⁿ is $t-2=0$

\therefore Ch. root is $t=2$

Hence,

Complementary Function (C.F.) = $C_1 \cdot (2)^n$

$$\boxed{\text{C.F.} = a_n^H = C_1 \cdot (2)^n}$$

Particular Solution

from Eqⁿ ①

$$\phi(E) \cdot a_n = 2 \cdot (2)^n$$

$$\text{Particular Soluⁿ} = \text{Soluⁿ}_{\phi} \left(\frac{2 \cdot (2)^n}{\phi(E)} \right)$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left\{ \text{Soluⁿ}_{\phi} \left(\frac{(2)^n}{\phi(E) = (E-2)} \right) \right\}$$

$b=2$ & $\phi(b) = \phi(2) = 2-2=0$
We know '2' is Ch. root with multiplicity = 1

$$\phi(E) = E-2 = (E-2)^1 \cdot 1$$

$$\phi(E) = (E-2)^1 \cdot \psi(E)$$

where $\psi(E) = 1$

$$= 2 \cdot \left\{ \text{Soluⁿ}_{\phi} \left(\frac{(2)^n}{(E-2)^1 \cdot \psi(E)} \right) \right\}$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\psi(b)} \cdot \binom{n}{m} C_1 \cdot (2)^{n-1} \right]$$

$$\therefore \text{P.S.}(a_n^P) = 2 \cdot \left\{ \frac{1}{1} \cdot (n \cdot (2)^{n-1}) \right\}$$

$$\text{P.S.}(a_n^P) = n \cdot 2^n$$

Complete Soluⁿ

$$a_n = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.S.} \\ = C_1 \cdot 2^n + n \cdot 2^n$$

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$\therefore a_0 = 1 = C_1 \cdot 2^0 + 0 \cdot 2^0$$

$$\boxed{C_1 = 1}$$

Hence

$$a_n = 1 \cdot 2^n + n \cdot 2^n \\ = (n+1) \cdot 2^n$$

Q: Find the solution of recurrence relation,

$$a_n - 7 \cdot a_{n-1} + 12 \cdot a_{n-2} = 0$$

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = 2$$

homogeneous

$$\therefore \text{P.S.} = 0$$

Complete Soluⁿ

$$a_n = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.S.}$$

$$a_n = (C_1 \cdot (3)^n + C_2 \cdot (4)^n) + 0$$

from, $a_0 = 1$ & $a_1 = 2$,

we get,

$$C_1 = 2 \quad \& \quad C_2 = -1$$

$$\therefore a_n = 2 \cdot (3)^n - 1 \cdot (4)^n$$

$$a_n = 2 \cdot (3)^n - 4^n$$

Ch. eqⁿ is $t^2 - 7t + 12 = 0$

& Ch. root are, $t_1 = 3$, $t_2 = 4$

\therefore Complementary function

$$\text{C.F.} = C_1 \cdot (3)^n + C_2 \cdot (4)^n$$

Q. Find the solution of recurrence relation.

$$T(3^k) = 2 \cdot T(3^{k-1}) + 1$$

$$T(1) = 1$$

Put $T(3^k) = a_k$

$$\therefore T(3^{k-1}) = a_{k-1}$$

$$\text{i.e., } a_k = 2 \cdot a_{k-1} + 1$$

$$(E-2) \cdot a_k = 1$$

Ch. root is $t=2$

$$\text{C.F.} = C_1 \cdot (2)^k$$

recurrence relⁿ
is a function of 'k'

From $(E-2) \cdot a_k = 1$

$$a_k = \frac{(1)^k}{(E-2)}$$

\therefore P.S = Soluⁿ of $\frac{(1)^k}{(E-2)}$
'1' is not a Ch. root.

$$= \frac{(1)^k}{\emptyset(1)} = \frac{(1)^k}{(1-2)} = -1$$

$$\text{P.S} = -1$$

Complete Soluⁿ

$$a_k = \text{C.F.} + \text{P.S.} \\ = C_1 \cdot 2^k + (-1)$$

$$a_k = C_1 \cdot 2^k - 1$$

$$a_k = T(3^k)$$

$$\therefore T(3^k) = C_1 \cdot 2^k - 1$$

$$T(1) = 1$$

$$3^k = 1 \text{ at } k=0.$$

$$T(1) = T(3^0) = C_1 \cdot 2^0 - 1$$

$$1 = C_1 - 1 \Rightarrow C_1 = 2$$

$$\therefore T(3^k) = 2 \cdot 2^k - 1 \Rightarrow T(3^k) = 2^{k+1} - 1$$

Q. Find the solnⁿ of recurrence relation

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = 2$$

$$a_n - 2a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} = 0$$

homogeneous

$$E^2 \cdot a_n - 2E \cdot a_n + a_n = 0$$

$$\phi(E) = (E^2 - 2E + 1)$$

Ch. eqⁿ is $t^2 - 2t + 1 = 0$

\therefore Ch. roots $t = \underline{1, 1}$
two equal roots

$$\therefore C.F. = (C_1 + C_2 n) \cdot (1)^n$$

$$C.F. = C_1 + C_2 n$$

$$P.S. = 0$$

Complete solution

$$a_n = C.F. + P.S. \\ = (C_1 + C_2 n) + 0$$

$$a_n = C_1 + C_2 n$$

$$a_0 = 1 = C_1 \Rightarrow C_1 = 1$$

$$a_1 = 2 = C_1 + C_2 \cdot 1$$

$$2 = 1 + C_2 \Rightarrow C_2 = 1$$

$$a_n = 1 + 1 \cdot n$$

$$a_n = n + 1$$

Q. Find the solution of the recurrence relation.

$$a_n - 3a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} = 2^n$$

$$\begin{array}{l} a_0 = 1 \\ a_1 = 2 \end{array}$$

$$E^2 a_n - 3E a_n + 2a_n = 2^{n+2}$$

because $n = n+2$

$$(E^2 - 3E + 2) \cdot a_n = 4(2)^n$$

Ch eqⁿ is $t^2 - 3t + 2 = 0$

\therefore Ch root are, $t_1 = 2, t_2 = 1$

Complementary function

$$C.F = C_1 \cdot (2)^n + C_2 \cdot (1)^n$$

$$P.S = \text{Soln}_{\text{of}} \left(\frac{4 \cdot 2^n}{(E^2 - 3E + 2)} \right)$$

$$= 4 \cdot \left\{ \text{Soln}_{\text{of}} \frac{(2)^n}{(E^2 - 3E + 2)} \right\}$$

'2' is a root with multiplicity = 1

$$\therefore \phi(E) = (E-2)^1 \cdot \underbrace{(E-1)}_{\psi(E)}$$

$$P.S = 4 \cdot \left\{ \text{Soln}_{\text{of}} \frac{(2)^n}{(E-2)^1 \cdot \underbrace{(E-1)}_{\psi(E)}} \right\}$$

$$= 4 \cdot \left[\frac{1}{\psi(2)} \cdot \left\{ n \cdot (2)^{n-1} \right\} \right]$$

$$= 4 \cdot \left[\frac{1}{(2-1)} \cdot \left\{ n \cdot (2)^{n-1} \right\} \right]$$

$$P.S = 2 \cdot n \cdot 2^n$$

Complete Soln

$$a_n = C.F + P.S$$

$$= C_1 \cdot (2)^n + C_2 + 2 \cdot n \cdot 2^n$$

We know $a_0 = 1$ & $a_2 = 2$

$$\therefore C_1 = -3 \text{ \& } C_2 = 4$$

$$\text{Hence, } \boxed{a_n = -3 \cdot 2^n + n \cdot 2^{n+1} + 4}$$

H.W.

Find the solution of recurrence relation,

$$a_n^2 - 2 a_{n-1}^2 = 1$$

$$a_1 = 2$$

it is not a linear recurrence relⁿ,
but it can be converted into one
by putting $a_n^2 = b_n$

i.e, eqⁿ becomes

$$b_n - 2 b_{n-1} = 1$$

$$\text{in the end} \\ a_n = \pm \sqrt{b_n}$$

H.W

Find the solution of recurrence relation

$$\sqrt{a_n} - \sqrt{a_{n-1}} - 2\sqrt{a_{n-2}} = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} a_0 = 1 \\ a_1 = 1 \end{cases}$$

Put $\sqrt{a_n} = b_n$ $\begin{cases} \text{in the eqn} \\ a_n = (b_n)^2 \end{cases}$

$$b_n - b_{n-1} - 2b_{n-2} = 0$$



2 mins Summary



Topic

Solution of recurrence relation using method of characteristic roots

Topic

Method of undetermined coefficient for particular solution

THANK - YOU