

NCERT Discrete 10.5.2 -15

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Question: For what value of n , are the n th terms of two A.Ps: 63, 65, 67,... and 3, 10, 17,... equal?

Solution: A sequence is said to be in Arithmetic

Progression when it is in the form of

$$a, a + d, a + 2d, a + 3d, \dots$$

where a is first term and d is common difference. When there are n terms, the sequence becomes

$$a, a + d, a + 2d, a + 3d, \dots, a + (n - 1)d.$$

$$T_n = a + (n - 1)d.$$

which is n th term. In the given question, there are two sequences.

$$63, 65, 67, \dots \quad (1)$$

$$3, 10, 17, \dots \quad (2)$$

let $f(n)$ be unit step function.

$$\text{i.e. } f(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & n \geq 0 \\ 0, & n < 0 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

(i) for the sequence (1), let $x(n)$ be n th term,

$$a = 63$$

$$a + d = 65$$

$$d = 2$$

$$x(n) = 63 + (n - 1) \times 2$$

$$x(n) = 61 + 2n \quad (4)$$

$$x(n) = 61f(n-1) + 2nf(n-1)$$

To find $X(z)$ (i.e. the 'z' transform): (5)

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) \times z^{-n} \quad (6)$$

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (61f(n-1) + 2nf(n-1))z^{-n}$$

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (61 + 2n)z^{-n} + 0 \quad (7)$$

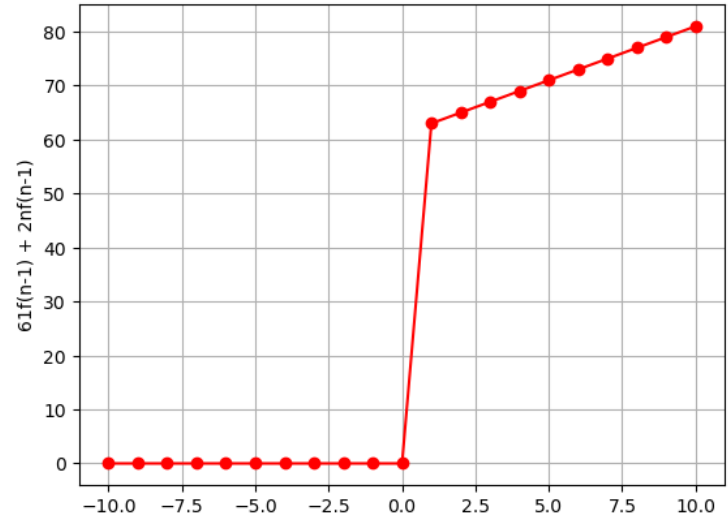


Figure: Plot of $x(n) = 61f(n-1) + 2nf(n-1)$

$$X(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [61(1 - z^{-n})(z - 1)^{-1} + 2(z - 1)^{-1} + 2(z^{n-1} - 1)(z^{1-n})(z - 1)^{-1} - 2[(n - 1)z + 1]z^{n-1}] \quad (8)$$

$$X(z) = 61(z - 1)^{-1} + 2(2z - 1)(z - 1)^{-2} \forall |z| > 1 \quad (9)$$

(ii) for sequence (2), let $y(n)$ be n th term,

$$a = 3$$

$$a + d = 10$$

$$d = 7$$

$$y(n) = 3 + (n - 1) \times 7$$

$$y(n) = 7n - 4 \quad (10)$$

$$y(n) = -4f(n-1) + 7nf(n-1) \quad (11)$$

To find $Y(z)$ (the 'z' transform):

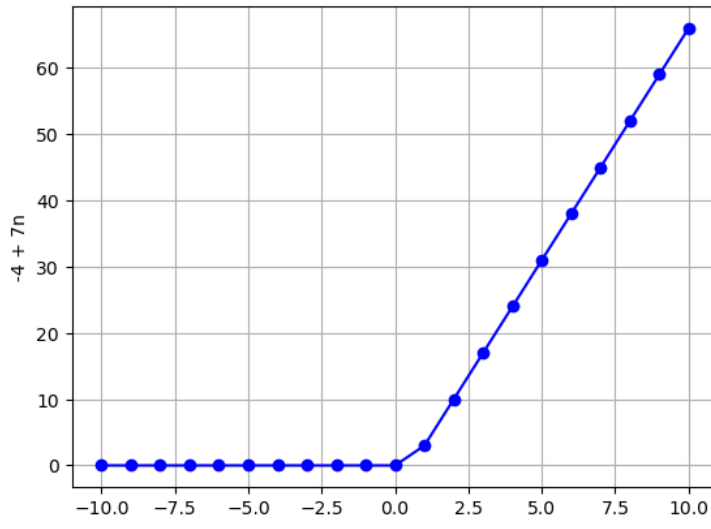


Figure: Plot of $v(n) = -4 + 7n$

$$Y(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} y(n)z^{-n} \quad (12)$$

$$Y(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (-4f(n-1) + 7nf(n-1))z^{-n}$$

$$Y(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-4 + 7n)z^{-n} + 0$$

$$Y(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [-4(1 - z^{-n})(z - 1)^{-1} + 7(z - 1)^{-1} + 7(z^{n-1} - 1)(z^{1-n})(z - 1)^{-1} - 7[(n - 1)z + 1]z^{n-1}] \quad (13)$$

$$Y(z) = -4(z - 1)^{-1} + 7(2z - 1)(z - 1)^{-2} \forall |z| > 1 \quad (14)$$

given, $x(n) = y(n)$

$$\therefore 61 + 2n = 7n - 4 \quad (15)$$

$$5n = 65$$

$$n = 13 \quad (16)$$

So, $x(n) = 61 + 2 \times 13 = 87$ and

$$y(n) = 7 \times 13 - 4 = 87$$

\therefore 13th terms of given two APs are equal.