

GATE 2022 -AE 63

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Question: Which one of the following is the closed form for the generating function of the sequence $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ defined below?

$$a_n = \begin{cases} n+1 & , n \text{ is odd} \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

- (A) $\frac{x(1+x)^2}{(1-x^2)^2} + \frac{1}{1-x}$
 (B) $\frac{x(3-x^2)}{(1-x^2)^2} + \frac{1}{1-x}$
 (C) $\frac{2x}{(1-x^2)^2} + \frac{1}{1-x}$
 (D) $\frac{x}{(1-x^2)^2} + \frac{1}{1-x}$

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Solution:

For any given sequence $\{s_n\}$ generating function is

Parameter	Description	Value
$G(S; z^{-1})$	Generating function for a sequence $\{s_n\}$	$G(A; z^{-1})$
$G(A; z^{-1})$	Generating function for a sequence $\{a_n\}$?
a_n	n^{th} term of the sequence	$(n+1)u(n)$ (when odd) $u(n)$ (when even)

TABLE I
INPUT VALUES

defined as:

$$G(S; z^{-1}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n z^{-n} \quad (2)$$

For the given sequence:

$$G(A; z^{-1}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} u(2k) z^{-2k} + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} ((2k+2)u(2k+1)) z^{-(2k+1)} \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow G(A; z^{-1}) = (1 + z^{-2} + z^{-4} + \dots) + (2z^{-1} + 4z^{-3} + 6z^{-5} + \dots) \quad (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow G(A; z^{-1}) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-2}} + (2z^{-1} + 4z^{-3} + 6z^{-5} \dots) \quad (5)$$

$$\Rightarrow G(A; z^{-1}) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-2}} + 2z^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{1 - z^{-2}} + \frac{z^{-2}}{(1 - z^{-2})^2} \right) \quad (6)$$

$$\therefore G(A; z^{-1}) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{z^{-1}(1 + z^{-2})}{(1 - z^{-2})^2} \quad (7)$$

(7) is the closed form of generating function required in the question.

Hence, option (A) is correct. Taking it into partial fractions