

Recursion - In a sequence, the next term is determined using the previous term.

ex Sequence 3, 8, 13, ...

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + 5; a_1 = 3, 2 \leq n < \infty$$

Recurrence Relation - Based on Recursion.

A Recurrence Relation actually defines a sequence by establishing the n th value in terms of its predecessors (previous terms). It is also called Difference Equation.

Linear Recurrence Relation -

$$C_0(x)a_x + C_1(x)a_{x-1} + \dots + C_k(x)a_{x-k} = f(x)$$

with $x \geq k$ where $C_0(x), C_1(x), \dots, C_k(x)$ are not 0 then it is Linear Recurrence Relation with Constant Coefficients.

If $f(x) = 0$ then the Recurrence Relation is called Homogeneous Recurrence Relation, else Non-homogeneous

Recurrence Relation.

ex. $a_x - 3a_{x-1} + 2a_{x-2} = x^2 + 1$ — (1)

(1) is a Non homogeneous Linear Recurrence Relation of order 2 (order 2 $\because$ of 2 in $(x-2)$ in $2a_{x-2}$)

$$(a_x)^2 + (a_{x-1})^2 + 1 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)} \quad (2)$$

(2) is a Homogeneous Non Linear Recurrence Relation of order 1. (order 1 due to 1 in $(x-1)$ in a_{x-1})
Non linear $\because$ of $(a_x)^2$.

Fibonacci Relation - $a_x = a_{x-1} + a_{x-2}$, $x \geq 2$ --- (1)

initial conditions: $a_0 = a_1 = 1$.

The sequence $(a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_x, \dots)$ of Fibonacci numbers is the Fibonacci Sequence.

$F(x) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} a_x x^x$ is called the Generating function

for the sequence $(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots)$

$$\therefore F(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_x x^x + \dots$$

$$x F(x) = a_0 x + a_1 x^2 + a_2 x^3 + \dots + a_{x-1} x^x + \dots$$

$$x^2 F(x) = a_0 x^2 + a_1 x^3 + \dots + a_{x-2} x^x + \dots$$

$$\therefore F(x) - x F(x) - x^2 F(x) = a_0 + (a_1 - a_0) x + (a_2 - a_1 - a_0) x^2 + (a_3 - a_2 - a_1) x^3 + \dots + (a_x - a_{x-1} - a_{x-2}) x^x + \dots$$

--- (1)

Note: Fibonacci term is $a_x = a_{x-1} + a_{x-2}$

$$\therefore a_2 = a_1 + a_0 = (a_2 - a_1 - a_0) x^2 = 0 \cdot x^2 = 0$$

So we get $F(x) = a_0 + (a_1 - a_0) x$

From (1), we get
or $(1 - x - x^2) F(x) = a_0 + (a_1 - a_0) x$

$$\therefore F(x) = \frac{a_0 + (a_1 - a_0) x}{1 - x - x^2}$$

The denominator is a Quadratic eqⁿ

(3)

$$\therefore F(x) = \frac{a_0 + (a_1 - a_0)x}{\left(1 - \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}x\right)\left(1 - \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}x\right)}$$

$$= \frac{C_1}{1 - \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}x} + \frac{C_2}{1 - \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}x} \quad \text{for every value of } a_0 \text{ or } a_1.$$

C_1, C_2 are to be determined

Now assuming, $a = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ & $b = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$ we get

$$F(x) = \frac{C_1}{1-ax} + \frac{C_2}{1-bx}$$

$$= C_1 \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} a^r x^r + C_2 \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} b^r x^r$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} (C_1 a^r + C_2 b^r) x^r$$

But $F(x) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} a_r x^r$ $\therefore a_r = C_1 a^r + C_2 b^r$

$$= C_1 \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^r + C_2 \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^r \quad (2) \text{ for every } r \geq 0$$

Using initial conditions $a_0 = a_1 = 1$ i.e., first
put $r=0$ in (2) then $r=1$ in (2), we get

$$C_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) \text{ \& } C_2 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore a_r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left[\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{r+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{r+1} \right] \quad \text{Ans.}$$

We have found the r^{th} term ~~in terms~~ of the Fibonacci sequence i.e., the r^{th} Fibonacci no.