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### Lecture: Inverse Z-transform and Residues

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## Lecture in course book\*

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- Proakis, Manolakis Digital Signal Processing, 4<sup>th</sup> Ed.
  - 3.4.3 The inverse z-transform by partial-fraction expansion

\*Level of detail is defined by lectures and problem sets

## Contents and learning outcomes

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- Inverse z-transform using partial fraction expansion
  - Mainly repetition of already covered or known topics
- Matlab implementation

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## Inverse z-transform

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$$X(z) \xrightarrow{?} x[n]$$

- Three popular methods
  - Contour integration:  $x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_C X(z) z^{n-1} dz$
  - Power series expansion:  $X(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k z^{-k}$
  - Partial fraction expansion and table lookup (rational functions):

$$X(z) = \sum_{k=1}^N \left( \frac{R_{k,1}}{(1-p_k z^{-1})} + \frac{R_{k,2}}{(1-p_k z^{-1})^2} + \cdots + \frac{R_{k,r}}{(1-p_k z^{-1})^r} \right)$$

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## Z-transform table

Sequence	Transform	ROC
$\delta[n]$	1	$\forall z$
$a^n u[n]$	$\frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}$	$ z  >  a $
$-b^n u[-n - 1]$	$\frac{1}{1 - bz^{-1}}$	$ z  <  b $
$(a^n \sin \omega_0 n) u[n]$	$\frac{(a \sin \omega_0) z^{-1}}{1 - (2 a \cos \omega_0) z^{-1} + a^2 z^{-2}}$	$ z  >  a $
$(a^n \cos \omega_0 n) u[n]$	$\frac{1 - (a \cos \omega_0) z^{-1}}{1 - (2 a \cos \omega_0) z^{-1} + a^2 z^{-2}}$	$ z  >  a $
$na^n u[n]$	$\frac{az^{-1}}{(1 - az^{-1})^2}$	$ z  >  a $
$-nb^n u[-n - 1]$	$\frac{bz^{-1}}{(1 - bz^{-1})^2}$	$ z  <  b $

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## Inverse z-transform by partial fractions

- Consider the rational expression

$$X(z) = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_M z^{-M}}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_N z^{-N}} = \frac{B(z)}{A(z)}$$

- $B(z)$  and  $A(z)$  are polynomials in variable  $z$
- $b_k$  and  $a_k$  are the coefficients of  $B(z)$  and  $A(z)$ , respectively
- $M$  is the degree of  $B(z)$  and  $N$  is the degree of  $A(z)$
- $M$  roots of polynomial  $B(z)$ , satisfy  $B(z_k) = 0$ : called zeros of  $H(z)$
- $N$  roots of polynomial  $A(z)$ , satisfy  $A(p_k) = 0$ : called poles of  $H(z)$

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## Inverse z-transform by partial fractions...

- Fundamental theorem of algebra:

*A polynomial of degree  $M'$  has exactly  $M'$  roots,  
counting multiplicities*

- We may factor  $X(z)$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_M z^{-M}}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_N z^{-N}} = b_0 z^{N-M} \frac{z^M + \tilde{b}_1 z^{M-1} + \dots + \tilde{b}_M}{z^N + a_1 z^{N-1} + \dots + a_N} \\ &= b_0 z^{N-M} \frac{\prod_{k=1}^M (z - z_k)}{\prod_{k=1}^N (z - p_k)} = b_0 \frac{\prod_{k=1}^M (1 - z_k z^{-1})}{\prod_{k=1}^N (1 - p_k z^{-1})} \end{aligned}$$

- When coefficients  $a_k$  and  $b_k$  are real, complex poles or zeros occur in complex conjugate pairs

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## Inverse z-transform by partial fractions...

- Let us assume that
  - $M < N$ , i.e.,  $H(z)$  is proper
  - Poles are distinct, i.e., all roots of  $A(z)$  have multiplicity one
- Then we can perform a partial fraction of  $X(z)$  to obtain

$$X(z) = \frac{R_1}{(1 - p_1 z^{-1})} + \frac{R_2}{(1 - p_2 z^{-1})} + \dots + \frac{R_N}{(1 - p_N z^{-1})}$$

where  $p_k$  is the  $k$ th pole of  $X(z)$  and  $R_k$  is the residue at  $p_k$

- When  $p_k = p_l^*$  we have  $R_k = R_l^*$

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## Inverse z-transform by partial fractions...

- Example:  $X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-2}} = \frac{1/2}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{1/2}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$

- Let us verify:

$$\frac{1/2}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{1/2}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)}$$

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## Inverse z-transform by partial fractions...

- Once in partial fraction form, inverse z-transform becomes simple:

$$\begin{aligned} x[n] &= \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\{X(z)\} \\ &= \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{R_1}{(1-p_1z^{-1})} + \frac{R_2}{(1-p_2z^{-1})} + \dots + \frac{R_N}{(1-p_Nz^{-1})}\right\} \end{aligned}$$

- Finally to complete  $x[n]$ , we use the relation

$$\mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(1-p_kz^{-1})}\right\} = \begin{cases} p_k^n u[n], & \text{ROC: } |z| > |p_k| \\ -p_k^n u[-n-1], & \text{ROC: } |z| < |p_k| \end{cases}$$

- Depending on the ROCs, we may end up with causal, anti-causal and non-causal (stable or unstable) time-domain sequence  $x[n]$

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## Inverse z-transform by partial fractions...

- Example: Causal system and stable system ( $|z| > \max_k |p_k| < 1$ )

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=1}^N R_k \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(1-p_k z^{-1})} \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^N R_k p_k^n u[n]$$

- Example: Complex conjugated poles  $R_1 = R_2^*$ , with  $|p_1| < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x[n] &= R_1 p_1^n u[n] + R_1^* (p_1^*)^n u[n] \\ &= (R_1 p_1^n + R_1^* (p_1^*)^n) u[n] \\ &= |R_1| |p_1|^n (e^{j(\angle R_1 + \angle p_1 n)} + e^{-j(\angle R_1 + \angle p_1 n)}) u[n] \\ &= 2|R_1| |p_1|^n \cos(\angle R_1 + \angle p_1 n) u[n] \end{aligned}$$

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## Inverse z-transform by partial fractions...

$$X(z) = \overset{?}{\frac{R_1}{(1-p_1 z^{-1})}} + \frac{R_2}{(1-p_2 z^{-1})} + \dots + \frac{R_N}{(1-p_N z^{-1})}$$

- Finding the partial fraction expansion:
  - Factor  $A(z)$ , i.e., find poles  $p_1, \dots, p_N$
  - Find residues  $R_1, \dots, R_N$

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## Finding residues

- **Method 1:** Solve linear equations (always works but can be tedious)

1. Clear denominator terms

$$B(z) = \frac{\prod_{k=1}^N (1 - p_k z^{-1})}{A(z)} \quad X(z) = \sum_{k=1}^N R_k \prod_{j=1, j \neq k}^N (1 - p_j z^{-1})$$

2. Equate coefficients on both sides

- Example:  $\frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} = \frac{R_1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{R_2}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$

1.  $1 = R_1 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right) + R_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)$

2.  $z^0: \quad 1 = R_1 + R_2$

$z^{-1}: \quad 0 = \frac{R_1}{2} - \frac{R_2}{2}$

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## Finding residues...

- **Method 2:** Multiply both sides by  $1 - p_k z^{-1}$  to get

1.  $(1 - p_k z^{-1})X(z) = \frac{R_1(1 - p_k z^{-1})}{(1 - p_1 z^{-1})} + \dots + R_k + \dots + \frac{R_N(1 - p_k z^{-1})}{(1 - p_N z^{-1})}$

2. and set  $z = p_k$

- In general, we have the formula

$$R_k = (1 - p_k z^{-1})X(z)|_{z=p_k}$$

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## Finding residues...

- Example:  $X(z) = \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1+\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} = \frac{R_1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{R_2}{1+\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$

$$R_1 = \left( R_1 + \frac{R_2(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}{1+\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \right) \Big|_{z=\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{(1+\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} \Big|_{z=\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$R_2 = \left( \frac{R_2(1+\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + R_2 \right) \Big|_{z=-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} \Big|_{z=-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

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## Example: Inverse z-transform

- Find impulse response of system  $H(z) = \frac{3-4z^{-1}}{1-3.5z^{-1}+1.5z^{-2}}$
- Solution:

$$H(z) = \frac{3-4z^{-1}}{1-3.5z^{-1}+1.5z^{-2}} = \frac{3-4z^{-1}}{(1-0.5z^{-1})(1-3z^{-1})} = \frac{R_1}{1-0.5z^{-1}} + \frac{R_2}{1-3z^{-1}}$$

$$R_1 = (1-0.5z^{-1})H(z) \Big|_{z=0.5} = \frac{3-4z^{-1}}{1-3z^{-1}} \Big|_{z=0.5} = \frac{3-8}{1-6} = 1$$

$$R_2 = (1-3z^{-1})H(z) \Big|_{z=3} = \frac{3-4z^{-1}}{1-0.5z^{-1}} \Big|_{z=3} = \frac{3-\frac{4}{3}}{1-\frac{0.5}{3}} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow h[n] = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\{H(z)\} = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{1-0.5z^{-1}}\right\} + \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2}{1-3z^{-1}}\right\}$$

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## Example: Inverse z-transform...

$$h[n] = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\{H(z)\} = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{1-0.5z^{-1}}\right\} + \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{2}{1-3z^{-1}}\right\}$$

- We may completely determine  $h[n]$  after specifying ROC:
  - $h_1[n] = (0.5^n + 2 \cdot 3^n)u[n]$  with ROC  $|z| > 3$
  - $h_2[n] = -(0.5^n + 2 \cdot 3^n)u[-n-1]$  with ROC  $|z| < 0.5$
  - $h_3[n] = 0.5^n u[n] - 2 \cdot 3^n u[-n-1]$  with ROC  $0.5 < |z| < 3$
- Summary:
  - $h_1[n]$  is causal and unstable
  - $h_2[n]$  is anti-causal and unstable
  - $h_3[n]$  is non-causal and stable

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## Final comments (optional)

- We assumed that  $N > M$  so that  $X(z)$  was proper
  - If  $M \geq N$  can just express  $X(z)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_M z^{-M}}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_N z^{-N}} \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{\tilde{b}_0 + \tilde{b}_1 z^{-1} + \dots + \tilde{b}_{N-1} z^{-(N-1)}}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_N z^{-N}}}_{\text{Proper rational part}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{M-N} C_k z^{-k}}_{\text{Polynomial part}} \end{aligned}$$

- Proper rational part handled as before while polynomial part trivial
- If a pole  $p_k$  has multiplicity  $r$ , the expansion has a more general form
 
$$\frac{R_{k,1}}{1-p_k z^{-1}} + \frac{R_{k,2}}{(1-p_k z^{-1})^2} + \dots + \frac{R_{k,r}}{(1-p_k z^{-1})^r}$$
- Method 2 only provides  $R_{k,r}$ . Remaining residues using Method 1.

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## Matlab implementation

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- Find impulse partial fraction representation of  $H(z) = \frac{3-4z^{-1}}{1-3.5z^{-1}+1.5z^{-2}}$

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Matlab
B = [3 -4];
A = [1 -3.5 1.5];

[R,P,C] = residuez(B,A);

R % Residues
P % Poles
C % Direct terms (if improper)
```

- Other useful Matlab functions:
  - `roots(a)`, `poly([p1,p2])`, `impz(B,A)`

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## Summary

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Today:

- Inverse z-transform
- Calculation of residues

Next:

- Sampling theorem

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## Illustrating example (optional)

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A causal LTI system is described by the following difference equation:

$$y[n] = 0.81y[n-2] + x[n] - x[n-2]$$

- Determine:
  - a) The system function  $H(z)$
  - b) The unit impulse response  $h[n]$
  - c) The frequency response function  $H(\omega)$ , and plot its magnitude and phase over  $0 \leq \omega \leq \pi$

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## Illustrating example (optional)...

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- The system function  $H(z)$

$$Y(z) = 0.81z^{-2}Y(z) + X(z) - z^{-2}X(z)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{1 - z^{-2}}{1 - 0.81z^{-2}} = \frac{1 - z^{-2}}{(1 - 0.9z^{-1})(1 + 0.9z^{-1})}$$

- Causality implies ROC:  $|z| > 0.9$

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## Illustrating example (optional)...

- The unit impulse response  $h[n]$

$$h[n] = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\{H(z)\} = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1-z^{-2}}{1-0.81z^{-2}}\right\}$$

$$= \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{1 - 0.19z^{-2} \frac{1}{1-0.81z^{-2}}\right\} = \delta[n] - 0.19 \cdot h'[n-2]$$

where

$$h'[n] = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(1-0.9z^{-1})(1+0.9z^{-1})}\right\} = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{R_1}{1-0.9z^{-1}} + \frac{R_2}{1+0.9z^{-1}}\right\}$$

- $R_1 = R_2 = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow$

$$h[n] = \delta[n] - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0.19 \cdot 0.9^{n-2} \cdot (1 + (-1)^{n-2})u[n-2]$$

$$= \delta[n] - 0.1173 \cdot 0.9^n \cdot (1 + (-1)^n)u[n-2]$$

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## Illustrating example (optional)...

- Plot the frequency response:  $H(\omega) = \frac{1-e^{-j2\omega}}{1-0.81e^{-j2\omega}}$

```
Matlab
B = [1 0 -1];
A = [1 0 -0.81];
W = [0:1:500]*pi/500;
H = freqz(B,A,W);

magH = abs(H); phaH = angle(H);

subplot(2,1,1); plot(W/pi,magH);
xlabel('Frequency in pi units')
ylabel('Magnitude')

subplot(2,1,2); plot(W/pi,phaH);
xlabel('Frequency in pi units')
ylabel('Phase')
```

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# Illustrating example (optional)...

