

6. Inverse & Unilateral z-transform

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Today's Lesson:

1. The Inverse Z-Transform
2. Power Series Expansion
3. Partial Fraction Expansion and Table Look-up
4. The Unilateral Z-Transform
5. Solving DT System Responses using Z-Transform

The Inverse Z-Transform

- The inverse z-transform is defined as follows:

$$x_n = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_c X(z) z^{n-1} dz$$

- Note that the function $X(z)$ is integrated along a complex plane (z-plane)
- Solving this requires contour integration
Luckily, we can solve this using other mathematical techniques

Method 1: Power Series Expansion

- In cases where $X(z)$ can be represented as a **proper rational expression**,

$$X(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + 3z^{-1} + 2z^{-2}}, \quad ROC : |z| > 2$$

- We can use **polynomial division** to rewrite the rational expression as a **sum of terms in z/z^{-1}**

Notes on Method 1:

- For a **causal sequence**, the polynomials in $X(z)$ are arranged in **decreasing powers of z**
- For an **anticausal sequence**, the polynomials in $X(z)$ are arranged in **increasing powers of z**
- Not advised for a two-sided sequence, $X(z)$ must first be decomposed to its causal and anti causal parts
 - Requires partial fraction expansion

Method 1: Power Series Expansion

- Determine the Inverse z-transform of the following:

$$X(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + 3z^{-1} + 2z^{-2}}, \quad ROC : |z| > 2$$

- Since the ROC is a region **outside a circle of radius 2**, then we expect a **causal(right-sided)** time-domain sequence

Method 1: Power Series Expansion

- Perform long division

$$X(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + 3z^{-1} + 2z^{-2}}, \quad ROC : |z| > 2$$

					1	-	$4z^{-1}$	+	$10z^{-2}$	-	$22z^{-3}$	+	...	
1	+	$3z^{-1}$	+	$2z^{-2}$	1	-	z^{-1}							
				- (1	+	$3z^{-1}$	+	$2z^{-2}$)				
						-	$4z^{-1}$	-	$2z^{-2}$					
					- (-	$4z^{-1}$	-	$12z^{-2}$	-	$8z^{-3}$)		
									$10z^{-2}$	+	$8z^{-3}$			
								- ($10z^{-2}$	+	$30z^{-3}$	+	$20z^{-4}$)
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$$x[n] = \{1, -4, 10, -22, \dots\}$$

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Method 1: Power Series Expansion

- Suppose we have the anticausal form

$$X(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + 3z^{-1} + 2z^{-2}} \quad ROC : |z| < 2$$

- We rearrange the terms in **increasing order of z**

Method 1: Power Series Expansion

➤ Suppose we have the anticausal form $X(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + 3z^{-1} + 2z^{-2}}$ $ROC : |z| < 2$

					-0.5z	+	1.25z ²	-	1.625z ³	+	...	
2z ⁻²	+	3z ⁻¹	+	1	-z ⁻¹	+	1					
				- (-z ⁻¹	-	1.5	-	0.5z)		
							2.5	+	0.5z			
							2.5	+	3.75z	+	1.25z ²	
								-	3.25z	-	1.25z ²	

$$x[n] = \{\dots, -1.625, 1.25, -0.5, 0\}$$

Method 2: Partial Fraction Expansion

- Goal: Express $X(z)$ as a linear combination of $X_k(z)$'s with known inverse transforms

$$X(z) = a_1X_1(z) + a_2X_2(z) + \dots + a_kX_k(z) + \dots$$

- We use the **linearity** property to get the sequence $x[n]$

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k x_k[n] \quad \xleftrightarrow{z} \quad X(z) = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k X_k(z)$$

Method 2: Partial Fraction Expansion

- For a proper rational expression $X(z)$, there are several possible cases:

Case 1: real and distinct poles

Case 2: complex conjugate poles

Case 3: multiple order poles

Method 2: Partial Fraction Expansion

Case 1: real and distinct poles

- We can rewrite the rational expression $X(z)$ as follows:

$$X(z) = \frac{N(z)}{D(z)} = \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{A_k}{1 - p_k z^{-1}}$$

- The inverse z-transform will depend on the ROC
 - Recall the table of common z-transform pairs

Method 2: Partial Fraction Expansion

Case 1: real and distinct poles

	Sequence $x[n]$	z -Transform $X(z)$	ROC
1.	$\delta[n]$	1	All z
2.	$u[n]$	$\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}}$	$ z > 1$
3.	$a^n u[n]$	$\frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}$	$ z > a $
4.	$-a^n u[-n - 1]$	$\frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}$	$ z < a $
5.	$na^n u[n]$	$\frac{az^{-1}}{(1 - az^{-1})^2}$	$ z > a $
6.	$-na^n u[-n - 1]$	$\frac{az^{-1}}{(1 - az^{-1})^2}$	$ z < a $

Method 2: Partial Fraction Expansion

Case 2: complex conjugate poles

➤ We get a sinusoidal sequence in the time domain.

$$X(z) = \frac{A}{1 - pz^{-1}} + \frac{A^*}{1 - p^*z^{-1}}$$

$$x[n] = Ap^n u[n] + A^*(p^*)^n u[n]$$

$$= |A|e^{j\angle A}(|p|e^{j\angle p})^n u[n] + |A|e^{-j\angle A}(|p|e^{-j\angle p})^n u[n]$$

$$x[n] = 2|A|(|p|)^n \cos((\angle p)n + \angle A)u[n]$$

Method 2: Partial Fraction Expansion

Case 2: complex conjugate poles

7.	$(\cos \omega_0 n)u[n]$	$\frac{1 - (\cos \omega_0)z^{-1}}{1 - 2(\cos \omega_0)z^{-1} + z^{-2}}$	$ z > 1$
8.	$(\sin \omega_0 n)u[n]$	$\frac{(\sin \omega_0)z^{-1}}{1 - 2(\cos \omega_0)z^{-1} + z^{-2}}$	$ z > 1$
9.	$(r^n \cos \omega_0 n)u[n]$	$\frac{1 - (r \cos \omega_0)z^{-1}}{1 - 2(r \cos \omega_0)z^{-1} + r^2 z^{-2}}$	$ z > r$
10.	$(r^n \sin \omega_0 n)u[n]$	$\frac{r(\sin \omega_0)z^{-1}}{1 - 2(r \cos \omega_0)z^{-1} + r^2 z^{-2}}$	$ z > r$

Method 2: Partial Fraction Expansion

Case 3: multiple order poles

- If $X(z)$ has a pole p with multiplicity k , we can rewrite $X(z)$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{A}{(1 - pz^{-1})^k (1 - qz^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{A_1}{1 - pz^{-1}} + \frac{A_2}{(1 - pz^{-1})^2} + \dots + \frac{A_k}{(1 - pz^{-1})^k} \\ &\quad + \frac{B}{1 - qz^{-1}} \end{aligned}$$

Method 2: Partial Fraction Expansion

Case 3: multiple order poles

- The numerators A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k are determined using differentiation

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{A}{(1 - pz^{-1})^k (1 - qz^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{A_1}{1 - pz^{-1}} + \frac{A_2}{(1 - pz^{-1})^2} + \dots + \frac{A_k}{(1 - pz^{-1})^k} \\ &\quad + \frac{B}{1 - qz^{-1}} \end{aligned}$$

Example

- Consider a sequence $x[n]$ with z-transform

$$X(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})(1 - 0.5z^{-1})}$$

- Find $x[n]$ via partial fraction expansion.

Example

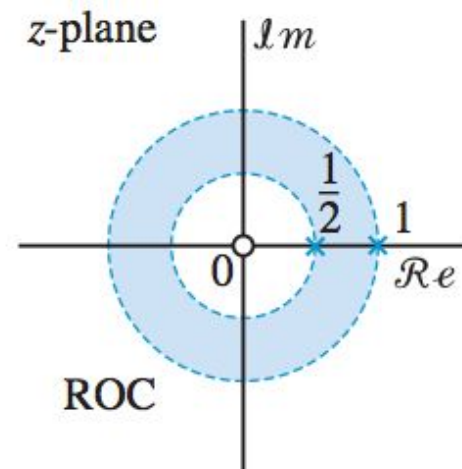
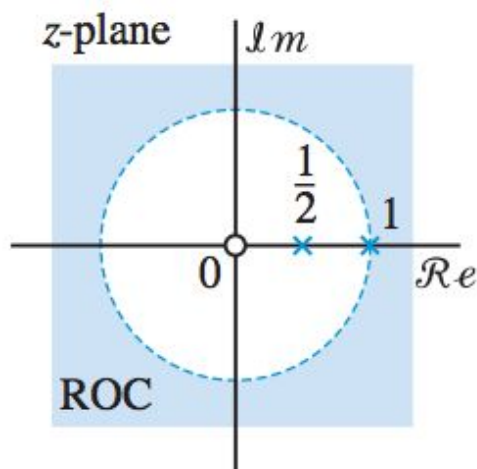
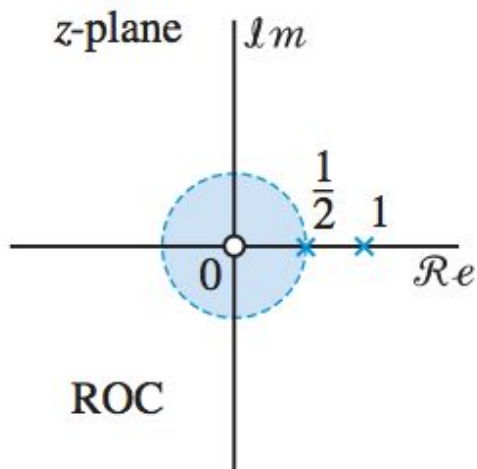
- Since this is a proper rational function

$$X(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})(1 - 0.5z^{-1})} = \frac{A}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{B}{1 - 0.5z^{-1}}$$

- We get $A = 4$, $B = -3$

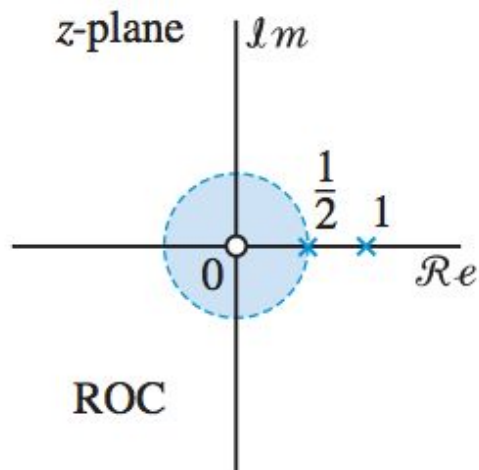
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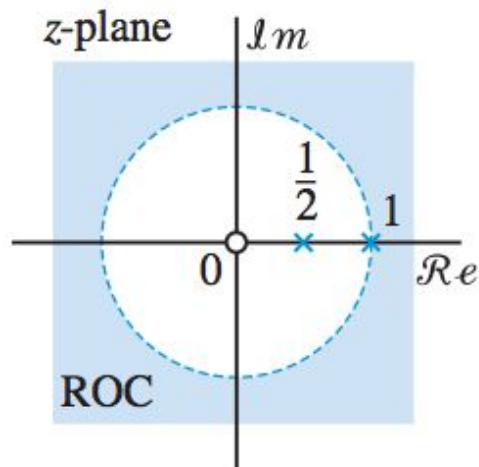


$$X(z) = \frac{4}{1 - z^{-1}} - \frac{3}{1 - 0.5z^{-1}}$$

$$x[n] = -\{4 - 3(0.5^n)\}u[-n - 1]$$

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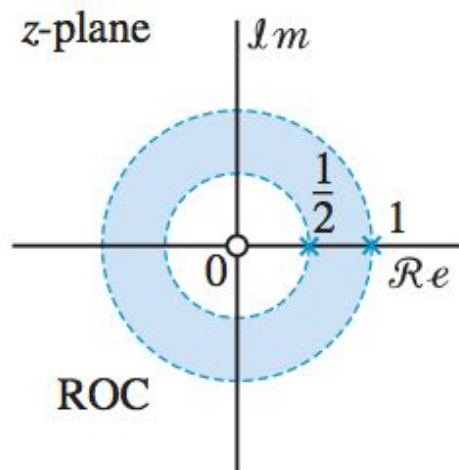


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Example

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$$X(z) = \frac{4}{1 - z^{-1}} - \frac{3}{1 - 0.5z^{-1}}$$

$$x[n] = -4u[-n - 1] - 3(0.5^n)u[n]$$

Example

- Consider a causal sequence $x[n]$ with z -transform

$$X(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1} + 0.5z^{-2}}$$

- Find $x[n]$ via partial fraction expansion.

Example

➤ Complex conjugate poles

$$X(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1} + 0.5z^{-2}} = \frac{A}{1 - pz^{-1}} + \frac{A^*}{1 - p^*z^{-1}}$$

$$p = \frac{1}{2}(1 + j) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}e^{j\frac{\pi}{4}}, \quad A = \frac{1}{2} - j\frac{3}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}e^{-j71.56^\circ}$$

$$p^* = \frac{1}{2}(1 - j) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}e^{-j\frac{\pi}{4}}, \quad A^* = \frac{1}{2} + j\frac{3}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}e^{j71.56^\circ}$$

Example

- Complex conjugate poles

$$x[n] = 2Ar^n \cos(\omega n + \theta)u[n]$$

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, & \omega &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\ A &= \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}, & \theta &= -71.56^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Solving DT System Responses in z- domain

- For **causal LTI systems**, we can use the z-Transform, convolution property, and inverse z-transform to solve the different system responses

$$\text{LCCDE} \rightarrow Y^+(z) = X^+(z)H^+(z) \rightarrow \text{PFE} + \text{lookup} \rightarrow y(n)$$

$Y^+(z)$, $X^+(z)$, and $H^+(z)$ are the **unilateral z-transforms**

Unilateral Z-Transform

- For causal systems (events/samples occur at $n > 0$)

$$X^+(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n}$$

- Index of summation starts at zero

Properties of the Unilateral Z-Transform

- Sequences which are equal for $n \geq 0$, and differ for $n < 0$ have the same $X^+(z)$.
- ROC is **always at least the exterior of a circle**.
- All properties of the two-sided z-transform can be used in the one-sided z-transform **except for the time-shifting property**.
- Can be used in analyzing DT systems with nonzero initial conditions

Properties of the Unilateral Z-Transform

Time-shifting for Uni-Z:

- Time Delay, $k > 0$

$$\text{if } x[n] \quad \xleftrightarrow{z^+} X^+(z)$$

$$\text{then } x[n - k] \quad \xleftrightarrow{z^+} z^{-k} \left\{ X^+(z) + \sum_{n=1}^k x[-n]z^n \right\}, \quad k > 0$$

- Time Advance, $k > 0$

$$\text{if } x[n] \quad \xleftrightarrow{z^+} X^+(z)$$

$$\text{then } x[n + k] \quad \xleftrightarrow{z^+} z^{+k} \left\{ X^+(z) - \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} x[n]z^{-n} \right\}, \quad k > 0$$

Example

Consider the causal discrete-time system represented by the following difference equation:

$$y[n] = 7x[n] - 3x[n - 1] + \frac{4}{3}y[n - 1] - \frac{1}{3}y[n - 2]$$

Determine the total response of the system when the input is given by the following expression:

$$x[n] = 0.5^n u[n]$$

Initial conditions: $y[-1] = y[-2] = 1$

Example

$$y[n] = 7x[n] - 3x[n-1] + \frac{4}{3}y[n-1] - \frac{1}{3}y[n-2]$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y^+(z) &= 7X^+(z) - 3z^{-1} (X^+(z) + x[-1]z) \\ &\quad + \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} (Y^+(z) + y[-1]z) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{3}z^{-2} (Y^+(z) + y[-1]z + y[-2]z^2) \end{aligned}$$

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Example

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$$Y^+(z) = \boxed{\frac{7 - 3z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}}} X^+(z) \quad \text{Zero-state response}$$

$$+ \boxed{\frac{\frac{4}{3}y[-1]}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}} - \frac{\frac{1}{3}y[-1]z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}y[-2]}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}}}$$

Zero-input response

Example

$$\begin{aligned}Y_{zs}(z) &= \frac{7 - 3z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}} X^+(z) \\&= \frac{7 - 3z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}} \left(\frac{1}{1 - 0.5z^{-1}} \right) \\&= \frac{A}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} + \frac{B}{1 - z^{-1}} + \frac{C}{1 - 0.5z^{-1}}\end{aligned}$$

$$y_{zs}(n) = -2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n + 12u(n) - 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

Example

$$\begin{aligned}Y_{zi}(z) &= \frac{\frac{4}{3}y[-1]}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}} - \frac{\frac{1}{3}y[-1]z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}y[-2]}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}} \\&= \frac{\frac{4}{3}}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}} - \frac{\frac{1}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}} \\&= \frac{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}} \\Y_{zi}(z) &= \frac{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1 - z^{-1})} = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{y_{zi}[n] = u[n]}$$

Example

Total response:

$$\begin{aligned}y_{\text{Total}}(n) &= y_{\text{ZS}}(n) + y_{\text{ZI}}(n) \\ &= -2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n + 12u(n) - 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n + u(n)\end{aligned}$$

Forced Response

Natural Response

$$= \underbrace{-3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n - 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n}_{\text{Transient Response}} + \underbrace{13u(n)}_{\text{Steady-State Response}}$$

Transient Response

Steady-State Response

Summary

- Inverse z-transform can be easily done via Power Series Expansion, and Partial Fraction Expansion + table lookup
- LCCDEs can be solved indirectly in the z-domain
- Unilateral z-transform can be used to solve causal LTI systems

For further reading...

- Chapter 3.5-3.6
“Applied Digital Signal Processing, by Manolakis, D & Ingle, V..”
- Chapters 10.7
“Signals and Systems by Oppenheim, A & Willsky, A.”

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