

The inverse of the z-transform

The inverse z-transform is formally given by

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

There are three methods for evaluation of inverse z-transform

1. Direct evaluation by Contour integration (using Cauchy residue theorem)
2. Expansion into a series of term in the variable z and z^{-1}
3. Partial-fraction expansion and table lookup.

2. The Inverse z-transform by Power Series Expansion

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n z^{-n} \text{ with given ROC.}$$

Example:

Using Power Series Expansion to determine the inverse z-transform of

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - 1.5z^{-1} + 0.5z^{-2}}$$

a. ROC: $|z| > 1$

b. ROC: $|z| < 0.5$

Solution:

- a. Since the ROC is the exterior of the circle, we can expect $x(n)$ to be a causal.

$$\begin{array}{r}
1 + \frac{3}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{7}{4}z^{-2} + \frac{15}{8}z^{-3} + \frac{31}{16}z^{-4} + \dots \\
1 - \frac{3}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{2}z^{-2} \Big) \quad 1 \\
\hline
1 - \frac{3}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{2}z^{-2} \\
\hline
\frac{3}{2}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{2}z^{-2} \\
\hline
\frac{3}{2}z^{-1} - \frac{9}{4}z^{-2} + \frac{3}{4}z^{-3} \\
\hline
\frac{7}{4}z^{-2} - \frac{3}{4}z^{-3} \\
\hline
\frac{7}{4}z^{-2} - \frac{21}{8}z^{-3} + \frac{7}{8}z^{-4} \\
\hline
\frac{15}{8}z^{-3} - \frac{7}{8}z^{-4} \\
\hline
\frac{15}{8}z^{-3} - \frac{45}{16}z^{-4} + \frac{15}{16}z^{-5} \\
\hline
\frac{31}{16}z^{-4} - \frac{15}{16}z^{-5}
\end{array}$$

Therefore,

$$X(z) = 1 + \frac{3}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{7}{4}z^{-2} + \frac{15}{8}z^{-3} + \frac{31}{16}z^{-4} + \dots$$

$x(n)$ can be obtained as

$$x(n) = \left\{ 1, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{15}{8}, \frac{31}{16}, \dots \right\}$$

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Using MatLab

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - 1.5z^{-1} + 0.5z^{-2}}$$

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>> y=[1]; //y={1}
>> h=[1 -1.5 0.5]; //h={1, -1.5, 0.5}
>> n=7;
>> y=[y zeros(1,n-1)]; //y={1,0,0,0,0,0,0}
>> [x,r]=deconv(y,h)
x =
  1.0000  1.5000  1.7500  1.8750  1.9375  1.9688
r =
  0 0 0 0 0 0 1.9844 -0.9844

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Therefore

$$x(0) = 1, x(1) = 1.5, x(2) = 1.75, x(3) = 1.875, x(4) = 1.9375$$

b. ROC is the interior of a circle. The signal $x(n)$ is anticausal. The long division in the following way.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \frac{1}{2}z^{-2} - \frac{3}{2}z^{-1} + 1 \overline{) 1} \\
 \underline{2z^2 + 6z^3 + 4z^4 + 30z^5 + \dots} \\
 1 - 3z + 2z^2 \\
 \underline{3z - 2z^2} \\
 3z - 9z^2 + 6z^3 \\
 \underline{7z^2 - 6z^3} \\
 7z^2 - 21z^3 + 14z^4 \\
 \underline{15z^3 - 14z^4} \\
 15z^3 - 45z^4 + 30z^5 \\
 \underline{31z^4 - 30z^5}
 \end{array}$$

Therefore,

$$X(z) = 2z^2 + 6z^3 + 14z^4 + 30z^5 + \dots$$

$x(n)$ can be obtained as

$$x(n) = \{\dots 30, 14, 6, 2, 0, 0\}$$



The inverse z-transform by Partial Fraction Expansion

The function $X(z)$ as a linear combination of

$$X(z) = \mathbf{a}_1 X_1(z) + \mathbf{a}_2 X_2(z) + \dots + \mathbf{a}_K X_K(z)$$

If we know the inverse transform of each $X_i(z)$ from the table. Then we can write

$$x(n) = \mathbf{a}_1 x_1(n) + \mathbf{a}_2 x_2(n) + \dots + \mathbf{a}_K x_K(n)$$

we usually have $X(z)$ function in a rational function form.

$$X(z) = \frac{N(z)}{D(z)} = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_M z^{-M}}{a_0 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_N z^{-N}}$$

A rational function is called proper if $M < N$.

A rational function is called improper if $M \geq N$.

An improper rational function ($M \geq N$) can be written as the sum of polynomial and a proper rational function.

$$X(z) = c_0 + c_1 z^{-1} + \dots + c_{M-N} z^{-(M-N)} + \frac{N_1(z)}{D(z)}$$

Example:

$$X(z) = \frac{1 + 3z^{-1} + \frac{11}{6}z^{-2} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-3}}{1 + \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{6}z^{-2} - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + 1 \left(\frac{2z^{-1} + 1}{\frac{1}{3}z^{-3} + \frac{11}{6}z^{-2} + 3z^{-1} + 1} \right)$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{3}z^{-3} - \frac{5}{3}z^{-2} + 2z^{-1}}{\frac{1}{6}z^{-2} - z^{-1} + 1}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{6}z^{-2} - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + 1}{\frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}$$

$$X(z) = 1 + 2z^{-1} \frac{\frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{1 + \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}$$

For proper rational function

$$X(z) = \frac{b_0 + b_1z^{-1} + \dots + b_Mz^{-M}}{a_0 + a_1z^{-1} + \dots + a_Nz^{-N}}$$

Step.1: Eliminate negative powers of z , multiply by z^N

$$X(z) = \frac{b_0z^N + b_1z^{N-1} + \dots + b_Mz^{N-M}}{a_0z^N + a_1z^{N-1} + \dots + a_Nz}$$

Step.2: Make proper rational function divided the both side to z

$$\frac{X(z)}{z} = \frac{b_0z^{N-1} + b_1z^{N-2} + \dots + b_Mz^{N-M-1}}{a_0z^N + a_1z^{N-1} + \dots + a_Nz}$$

Step.3: Find the poles (denominator roots). We can have distinct real poles, distinct complex poles, multiple-order real poles, and multiple-order complex poles.

A. Distinct Poles: The poles are all different

$$\frac{X(z)}{z} = \frac{A_1}{z - p_1} + \frac{A_2}{z - p_2} + \dots + \frac{A_N}{z - p_N}$$

We can determine A_1, A_2, \dots, A_N using two different methods.

Let's give an example and use the both methods.

Example:

Determine the partial fraction expansion the following function

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - 1.5z^{-1} + 0.5z^{-2}}$$

$$\text{Step.1} \quad X(z) = \frac{z^2}{z^2 - 1.5z + 0.5}$$

$$\text{Step.1} \quad \frac{X(z)}{z} = \frac{z}{z^2 - 1.5z + 0.5}$$

$$\text{Step.3} \quad \frac{X(z)}{z} = \frac{z}{(z-1)(z-0.5)} = \frac{A_1}{z-1} + \frac{A_2}{z-0.5}$$

Method.1

$$A_1 = \frac{(z-1)X(z)}{z} \Big|_{z=1} = \frac{z}{(z-0.5)} \Big|_{z=1} = \frac{1}{1-0.5} = 2$$

$$A_2 = \frac{(z-0.5)X(z)}{z} \Big|_{z=0.5} = \frac{z}{(z-1)} \Big|_{z=0.5} = \frac{0.5}{0.5-1} = -1$$

Method.2

Multiply the denominator one with $(z-0.5)$ and the denominator two with $(z-1)$ to make them equal. Then we have

$$z = (z - 0.5)A_1 + (z - 1)A_2$$

$$\text{If } z=1 \rightarrow z = (z - 0.5)A_1 \Big|_{z=1} \rightarrow 1 = (1 - 0.5)A_1, \rightarrow A_1 = 2$$

$$\text{If } z=0.5 \rightarrow z = (z - 1)A_2 \Big|_{z=0.5} \rightarrow 0.5 = (0.5 - 1)A_2, \rightarrow A_2 = -1$$

Finally, we have

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

Multiply to z the both side

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

Divide by z the right side

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

From the z -transform table

$$x(n) = [2 - (0.5)^n]u(n)$$

In general form:

$$Z^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{1 - p_k z^{-1}} \right\} = \begin{cases} p_k^n u(n) & \text{if } ROC: |z| > |p_k| \text{ (causal signal)} \\ -(p_k^n) u(n) & \text{if } ROC: |z| < |p_k| \text{ (anticausal signal)} \end{cases}$$

Using MatLab to find inverse z -transform:

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>> syms z n
>> iztrans(1/(1-1.5*z^-1+0.5*z^-2))
ans =
2-(1/2)^n
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