

## 1.5.5 INVERSE Z TRANSFORM

- Formally, the inverse ZT may be written as

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{j2\pi} \oint_c X(z) z^{n-1} dz$$

where the integration is performed in a counter-clockwise direction around a closed contour in the region of convergence of  $X(z)$  and encircling the origin.

- If  $X(z)$  is a rational function of  $z$ , *i.e.* a ratio of polynomials, it is not necessary to evaluate this integral.
- Instead, we use a partial fraction expansion to express  $X(z)$  as a sum of simple terms for which the inverse transform may be recognized by inspection.
- The ROC plays a critical role in this process.
- We will illustrate the method via a series of examples.

## Example 1

The signal  $x(n] = (1/3)^n u(n)$  is input to a DT LTI system described by

$$y(n) = x(n) - x(n-1] + (1/2) y(n-1) .$$

Find the output  $y(n)$ .

What are our options?

**a. direct substitution**

Assume  $y(-1) = 0$

$$y(0) = x(0) - x(-1) + (1/2)y(-1) = 1 - 0 + (1/2)(0) = 1.000$$

$$y(1) = x(1) - x(0) + (1/2)y(0) = 1/3 - 1 + (1/2)(1.0) = -0.167$$

$$y(2) = x(2) - x(1) + (1/2)y(1) = 1/9 - 1/3 + (1/2)(-0.167) = -0.306$$

$$y(3) = x(3) - x(2) + (1/2)y(2) = 1/27 - 1/9 + (1/2)(-0.306) = -0.227$$

## b. convolution

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(n-k) x(k)$$

find impulse response by direct substitution

$$h(n) = \delta(n) - \delta(n-1) + (1/2) h(n-1)$$

$$h(0) = 1 - 0 + (1/2)(0) = 1$$

$$h(1) = 0 - 1 + (1/2)(1) = -1/2$$

$$h(2) = 0 - 0 + (1/2)(-1/2) = -1/4$$

$$h(3) = 0 - 0 + (1/2)(-1/4) = -1/8$$

recognize  $h(n) = \delta(n) - (1/2)^n u(n-1)$

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} [\delta(n-k) - (1/2)^{(n-k)} u(n-k-1)] (1/3)^k u(k)$$

$$= (1/3)^n u(n) - (1/2)^n \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (2/3)^k u(n-1)$$

$$= (1/3)^n u(n) - (1/2)^n \frac{1 - (2/3)^n}{1 - 2/3} u(n)$$

$$= 4(1/3)^n u(n) - 3(1/2)^n u(n)$$

### c. DTFT

$$x(n) = (1/3)^n u(n)$$

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3} e^{-j\omega}}$$

$$h(n) = \delta(n) - (1/2)^n u(n-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(e^{j\omega}) &= 1 - \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\omega}} - 1 \right] \\ &= \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega}}{1 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\omega}} \end{aligned}$$

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) = H(e^{j\omega}) X(e^{j\omega})$$

$$= \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\omega})(1 - \frac{1}{3} e^{-j\omega})}$$

$$= \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega}}{1 - \frac{5}{6} e^{-j\omega} + \frac{1}{6} e^{-j\omega 2}}$$

$$y(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega}}{1 - \frac{5}{6} e^{-j\omega} + \frac{1}{6} e^{-j\omega 2}} e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$



d. ZT

$$x(n) = (1/3)^n u(n)$$

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

$$y(n) = x(n) - x(n-1) + (1/2) y(n-1)$$

$$Y(z) = X(z) - z^{-1}X(z) + (1/2) z^{-1}Y(z)$$

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

What is region of convergence?

Since system is causal,  $h(n)$  is a causal signal.

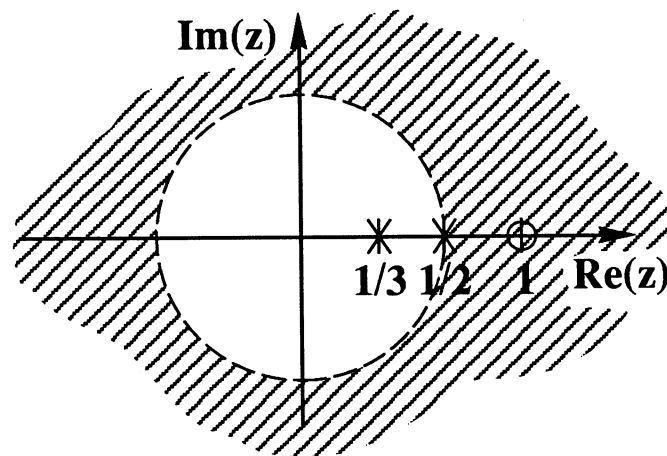
$\Rightarrow H(z)$  converges for  $|z| > 1/2$ .

$$Y(z) = H(z) X(z)$$

$$= \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right)}$$

$$\text{ROC}[Y(z)] = \text{ROC}[H(z)] \cap \text{ROC}[X(z)]$$

$$= \{z: |z| > 1/2\}$$



## Partial Fraction Expansion (PFE)

(Two distinct poles)

$$\frac{1 - z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right)} = \frac{A_1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}} + \frac{A_2}{1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}}$$

To solve for  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ , we multiply both sides by  $\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right)$  to obtain

$$1 - z^{-1} = A_1\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right) + A_2\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)$$

$$1 = A_1 + A_2 \qquad A_1 = -3$$

$$-1 = -\frac{1}{3} A_1 - \frac{1}{2} A_2 \qquad A_2 = 4$$

so

$$\frac{1 - z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right)} = \frac{-3}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}} + \frac{4}{1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}}$$

check

$$1 - z^{-1} = -3\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right) + 4\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)$$

Now

$$y(n) = y_1(n) + y_2(n)$$

possible ROC's

where  $Y_1(z) = \frac{-3}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } |z| > \frac{1}{2}$

$$Y_2(z) = \frac{4}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{3} \text{ or } |z| > \frac{1}{3}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ROC}[Y(z)] &= \text{ROC}[Y_1(z)] \cap \text{ROC}[Y_2(z)] \\ &= \{z: |z| > \frac{1}{2}\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{ROC}[Y_1(z)] = \{z: |z| > \frac{1}{2}\}$$

$$\text{ROC}[Y_2(z)] = \{z: |z| > \frac{1}{3}\}$$

Recall transform pairs:

$$a^n u(n) \stackrel{\text{ZT}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \quad |z| > |a|$$

$$-a^n u(-n-1) \stackrel{\text{ZT}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \quad |z| < |a|$$

$$\therefore \frac{-3}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}} \xrightarrow{ZT^{-1}} -3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(n)$$

$$\frac{4}{1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}} \xrightarrow{ZT^{-1}} 4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u(n)$$

and

$$y(n) = -3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(n) + 4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u(n)$$

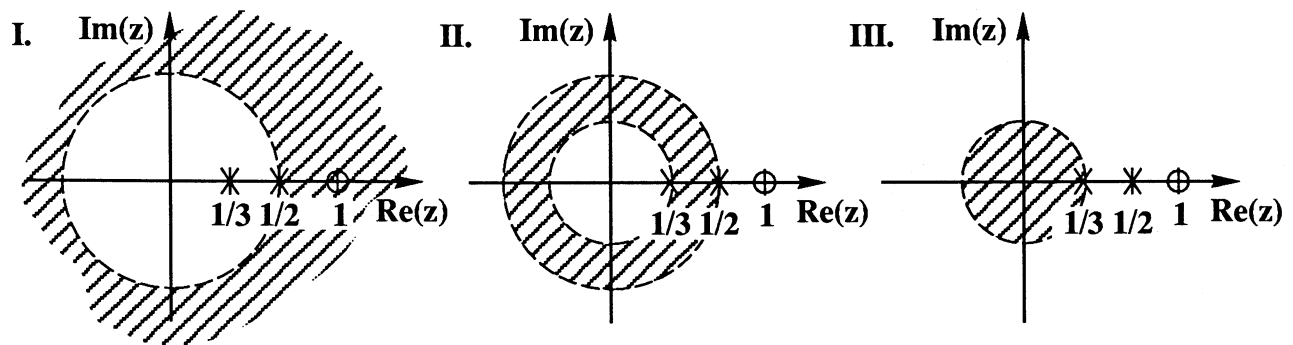


Consider again

$$Y(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{-3}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}} + \frac{4}{1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}}$$

There are 3 possible ROC's for a signal with this ZT.



**Case II.**  $\frac{1}{3} < |z| < \frac{1}{2}$

possible ROC's

where  $Y_1(z) = \frac{-3}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$   $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$  or  $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$

$Y_2(z) = \frac{4}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}$   $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$  or  $|z| > \frac{1}{3}$

and

$$\text{ROC}[Y(z)] = \text{ROC}[Y_1(z)] \cap \text{ROC}[Y_2(z)]$$

$$\therefore \text{ROC}[Y_1(z)] = \{z: |z| < \frac{1}{2}\}$$

$$\text{ROC}[Y_2(z)] = \{z: |z| > \frac{1}{3}\} \quad \text{as before}$$

$$\frac{-3}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \xrightarrow{ZT^{-1}} -3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(-n-1)$$

$$\frac{4}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} \xrightarrow{ZT^{-1}} 4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u(n) \quad \text{as before}$$

$$y(n) = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(-n-1) + 4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u(n)$$

**Case III.**  $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$

$$\text{ROC}[Y_1(z)] = \{z: |z| < \frac{1}{2}\} \quad \text{as before}$$

$$\text{ROC}[Y_2(z)] = \{z: |z| < \frac{1}{3}\}$$

$$\frac{-3}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \xrightarrow{ZT^{-1}} 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(-n-1) \quad \text{as before}$$

$$\frac{4}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} \xrightarrow{ZT^{-1}} -4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u(-n-1)$$

$$y(n) = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(-n-1) - 4\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u(-n-1)$$

## Summary of Possible ROC's and Signals

$$Y(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1})}$$

ROC	Signal
$\frac{1}{2} <  z $	$-3(\frac{1}{2})^n u(n) + 4(\frac{1}{3})^n u(n)$
$\frac{1}{3} <  z  < \frac{1}{2}$	$3(\frac{1}{2})^n u(-n-1) + 4(\frac{1}{3})^n u(n)$
$ z  < \frac{1}{3}$	$3(\frac{1}{2})^n u(-n-1) - 4(\frac{1}{3})^n u(-n-1)$

## Residue Method for Evaluating Coefficients of PFE

$$Y(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right)} = \frac{A_1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}} + \frac{A_2}{1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}}$$

$$A_1 = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right) Y(z) \Big|_{z=\frac{1}{2}} \quad A_2 = \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right) Y(z) \Big|_{z=\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}} \Big|_{z=\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1 - 2}{1 - 2/3}$$

$$= -3$$

$$= \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}} \Big|_{z=\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{1 - 3}{1 - 3/2}$$

$$= 4$$

## Example 2 (complex conjugate poles)

$$Y(z) = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}}{(1 - jz^{-1})(1 + jz^{-1})}$$

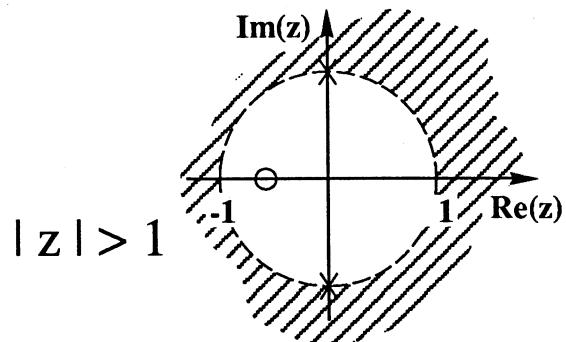
$$X(z) = \frac{A_1}{1 - jz^{-1}} + \frac{A_2}{1 + jz^{-1}}$$

$$A_1 = \left. \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}}{1 + jz^{-1}} \right|_{z=j}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} j \right)$$

$$A_2 = \left. \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}}{1 - jz^{-1}} \right|_{z=-j}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2} j \right)$$



check

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 - \frac{1}{2}j)}{1 - jz^{-1}} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 + \frac{1}{2}j)}{1 + jz^{-1}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 - \frac{1}{2}j)(1 + jz^{-1}) + \frac{1}{2}(1 + \frac{1}{2}j)(1 - jz^{-1})}{(1 - jz^{-1})(1 + jz^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{(1 - jz^{-1})(1 + jz^{-1})} \end{aligned}$$

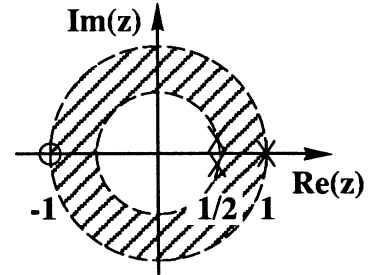


- Note that  $A_1 = A_2^*$ .
- This is necessary for  $y(n)$  to be real-valued.
- Use it to save computation.

### Example 3 (poles with multiplicity > 1)

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

$$\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 1$$



recall

$$n a^n u(n) \xleftrightarrow{\text{ZT}} \frac{a z^{-1}}{(1 - a z^{-1})^2}, \quad |z| > |a|$$

Try

$$\frac{1 + z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1})^2 (1 - z^{-1})} = \frac{A_1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1})^2} + \frac{A_2}{1 - z^{-1}}$$

$$A_1 = \left. \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1}} \right|_{z=\frac{1}{2}} = -3$$

$$A_2 = \left. \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1})^2} \right|_{z=1} = 8$$

**check**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-3}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^2} + \frac{8}{1 - z^{-1}} &= \frac{-3(1 - z^{-1}) + 8\left(1 - z^{-1} + \frac{1}{4} z^{-2}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^2(1 - z^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{5 - 5z^{-1} + 2z^{-2}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^2(1 - z^{-1})} \\ &\neq \frac{1 + z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)(1 - z^{-1})} \end{aligned}$$

General form of terms in PFE for pole  $p_\ell$  with multiplicity  $m_\ell$

$$\frac{A_{\ell, m_\ell}}{(1 - p_\ell z^{-1})^{m_\ell}} + \frac{A_{\ell, m_\ell - 1}}{(1 - p_\ell z^{-1})^{m_\ell - 1}} + \dots + \frac{A_{\ell, 1}}{1 - p_\ell z^{-1}}$$

Now have

$$\frac{1 + z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1})^2 (1 - z^{-1})} = \frac{A_{1,2}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1})^2} + \frac{A_{1,1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}} + \frac{A_2}{1 - z^{-1}}$$

$$A_{1,2} = -3 \quad A_2 = 8 \quad \text{as before}$$

To solve for  $A_{1,1}$ , multiply both sides by  $(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1})^2$

$$\frac{1 + z^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1}} = A_{1,2} + A_{1,1}\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right) + A_2 \frac{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^2}{1 - z^{-1}}$$

differentiate with respect to  $z^{-1}$

$$\frac{2}{(1 - z^{-1})^2} = 0 + A_{1,1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + A_2\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right) P(z)$$

$$\text{let } z = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$A_{1,1} = -2 \frac{2}{(1 - 2)^2} = -4$$

**Example 4** (numerator degree  $\geq$  denominator degree)

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

reduce degree of numerator by long division

$$-\frac{1}{2} z^{-2} - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1} + 1 \quad \begin{array}{r} \frac{-2}{z^{-2} + 1} \\ z^{-2} + z^{-1} - 2 \\ \hline -z^{-1} + 3 \end{array}$$



so

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

In general, will have a polynomial of degree  $M - N$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{M-N} B_k z^{-k} \xrightarrow{ZT^{-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{M-N} B_k \delta(n-k)$$