The Z transform (3)

Today

- The inverse Z Transform
- Section 3.3 (read class notes first)
- Examples 3.9, 3.11

The inverse Z-transform

• by expressing the Z-transform as the Fourier Transform of an exponentially weighted sequence, we obtain

$$
x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint X(z) z^{n-1} dz
$$

• The **formal expression** of the inverse Z-transform requires the use of contour integrals in the complex plane.

Computational methods for the inverse Z-Transform

- For rational Z-transforms we can compute the inverse Z-transforms using alternative procedures:
	- Inspection (Z Transform pairs)
	- Partial Fraction Expansion
	- Power Series Expansion

Inspection method

- Makes use of common Z-Transform pairs in Table 3.1 and of the properties of the Z-Transform (Table 3.2), which we will discuss in the next lecture.
	- Most useful Z-Transform pairs: 1, 5, 6
	- Most useful property: time shifting
- The inspection method can be used by itself when determining the inverse ZT of simple sequences
- Most often, it represents the final step in the expansion-based methods 5

Example for the inspection method

• Consider a causal LTI system specified by its system function H(z). Compute its unit impulse response h[n].

$$
H(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + \frac{3}{4}z^{-1}}
$$

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Table 3.2 SOME *z*-TRANSFORM PROPERTIES

Inverse ZT via partial fraction expansion

- We will study only the case of first-order poles (all poles are distinct) and M<N.
- Equations 3.45, 3.46, 3.47 are not required
- General idea:

• The partial fraction expansion process computes all coefficients A_k 9

Example for partial fraction expansion

• Compute the inverse Z-transform for:

$$
X(z) = \frac{3z^2 - \frac{5}{6}z}{\left(z - \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(z - \frac{1}{3}\right)} \quad |z| > \frac{1}{3}
$$

Inverse ZT via power series expansion

- We start from the definition of $X(z)$ $X(z) = \sum x[n]z^{-n}$ $n = -\infty$ $+$ ∞ ∑
- We notice that $x[n]$ is the coefficient of n-th power of z^{-1}
- If we have the Z transform expressed as a series of powers of z^{-1} , then we can retrieve $x[n]$ by direct identification ×L

- Main idea

$$
X(z) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{M} b_k z^{-k}}{\sum_{k=0}^{N} a_k z^{-k}}
$$
 power series expansion
$$
X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} x[n]z^{-n}
$$

• For rational ZT: long division $\frac{1}{11}$

Example 1 for power series expansion

• Determine the sequence x[n] corresponding to the following ZT:

$$
X(z) = (1 + 2z)(1 + 3z^{-1})
$$

Example 2 for power series expansion

• Determine the sequence x[n] that corresponds to the following Z Transform, knowing that this sequence is right-sided

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

Summary

- The inverse ZT is in general a contour integral.
- For rational ZTs, it is not necessary to explicitly compute this integral
- 3 methods:
	- Inspection (ZT pairs and properties of the ZT)
	- Partial fraction expansion
	- Power series expansion
- Which method should we choose?
	- Power series expansion is an excellent tool when the power series is finite
	- For infinite length sequences, we will work mostly with inspection and partial fraction expansion, since long division is computationally expensive