

The Inverse Z-Transform

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Scope and Background Reading

This session we will talk about the Inverse Z-Transform and illustrate its use through an examples class.

The material in this presentation and notes is based on Chapter 9 (Starting at [Section 9.6](#)) of [[Kar12](#)].

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- Inverse Z-Transform
- Examples using PFE
- Examples using Long Division
- Analysis in MATLAB

Performing the Inverse Z-Transform

The inverse Z-Transform enables us to extract a sequence $f[n]$ from $F(z)$. It can be found by any of the following methods:

- Partial fraction expansion
- The inversion integral
- Long division of polynomials

Partial fraction expansion

We expand $F(z)$ into a summation of terms whose inverse is known. These terms have the form:

$$k, \frac{r_1 z}{z - p_1}, \frac{r_1 z}{(z - p_1)^2}, \frac{r_3 z}{z - p_2}, \dots$$

where k is a constant, and r_i and p_i represent the residues and poles respectively, and can be real or complex¹.

Notes

1. If complex, the poles and residues will be in complex conjugate pairs

$$\frac{r_i z}{z - p_i} + \frac{r_i^* z}{z - p_i^*}$$

Step 1: Make Fractions Proper

- Before we expand $F(z)$ into partial fraction expansions, we must first express it as a *proper* rational function.
- This is done by expanding $F(z)/z$ instead of $F(z)$
- That is we expand

$$\frac{F(z)}{z} = \frac{k}{z} + \frac{r_1}{z - p_1} + \frac{r_2}{z - p_2} + \dots$$

Step 2: Find residues

- Find residues from

$$r_k = \lim_{z \rightarrow p_k} (z - p_k) \frac{F(z)}{z} = (z - p_k) \frac{F(z)}{z} \Big|_{z=p_k}$$

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Step 3: Map back to transform tables form

- Rewrite $F(z)/z$:

$$z \frac{F(z)}{z} = F(z) = k + \frac{r_1 z}{z - p_1} + \frac{r_2 z}{z - p_2} + \dots$$

We will work through an example in class.

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Example 1

Karris Example 9.4: use the partial fraction expansion to compute the inverse z-transform of

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{(1 - 0.5z^{-1})(1 - 0.75z^{-1})(1 - z^{-1})}$$



MATLAB solution for example 1

See [example1.mlx](#). (Also available as [example1.m](#).)

Uses MATLAB functions:

- `collect` – expands a polynomial
- `sym2poly` – converts a polynomial into a numeric polynomial (vector of coefficients in descending order of exponents)
- `residue` – calculates poles and zeros of a polynomial
- `ztrans` – symbolic z-transform
- `iztrans` – symbolic inverse z-transform
- `stem` – plots sequence as a “lollipop” diagram

```
clear all
imatlab_export_fig('print-svg') % Static svg figures.
cd matlab
format compact
```

```
syms z n
```

The denominator of $F(z)$

```
Dz = (z - 0.5)*(z - 0.75)*(z - 1);
```

Multiply the three factors of Dz to obtain a polynomial

```
Dz_poly = collect(Dz)
```

```
Dz_poly =
```

```
z^3 - 2.2500*z^2 + 1.6250*z - 0.3750
```

Make into a rational polynomial

z^2

```
num = [0, 1, 0, 0];
```

$$z^3 - 9/4z^2 - 13/8z - 3/8$$

```
den = sym2poly(Dz_poly)
```

```
den =  
1.0000 -2.2500 1.6250 -0.3750
```

Compute residues and poles

```
[r,p,k] = residue(num,den);
```

Print results

- `fprintf` works like the c-language function where `"%4.2f"` means print a floating point number with four significant digits and 2 places of decimals.

```
fprintf('\n')  
fprintf('r1 = %4.2f\t', r(1)); fprintf('p1 = %4.2f\n', p(1));...  
fprintf('r2 = %4.2f\t', r(2)); fprintf('p2 = %4.2f\n', p(2));...  
fprintf('r3 = %4.2f\t', r(3)); fprintf('p3 = %4.2f\n', p(3));
```

```
r1 = 8.00
```

```
p1 = 1.00
```

```
r2 = -9.00
```

```
p2 = 0.75
```

```
r3 = 2.00
```

```
p3 = 0.50
```

Symbolic proof

$$f[n] = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n - 9\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n + 8$$

```
% z-transform  
fn = 2*(1/2)^n-9*(3/4)^n + 8;  
Fz = ztrans(fn)
```

```
Fz =
```

```
(8*z)/(z - 1) + (2*z)/(z - 0.5000) - (9*z)/(z - 0.7500)
```

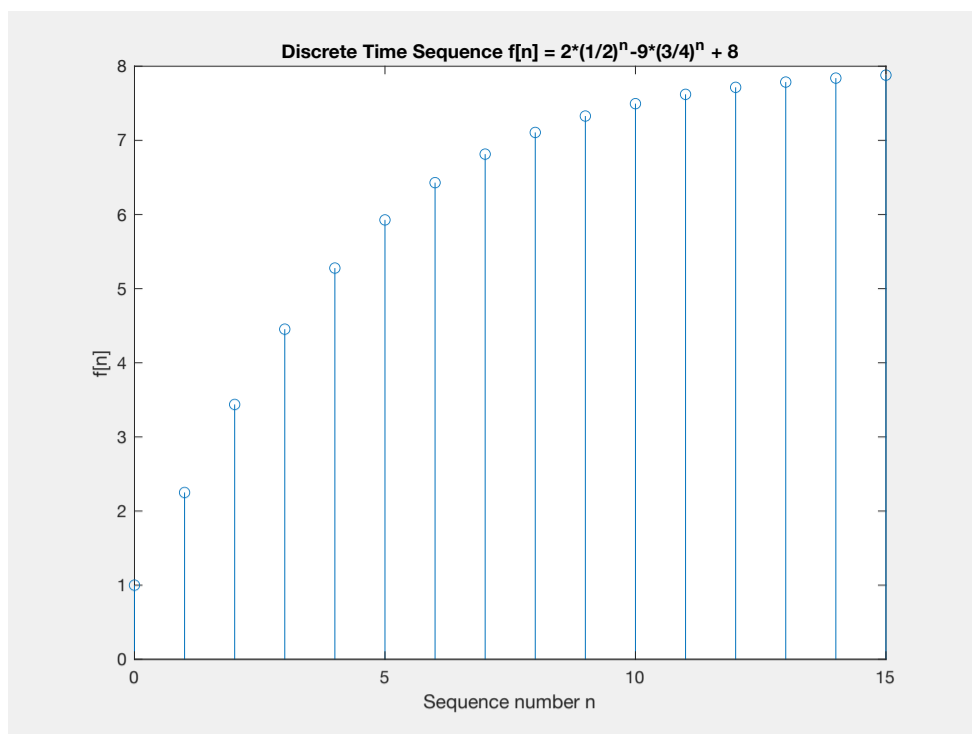
```
% inverse z-transform  
iztrans(Fz)
```

```
ans =
```

```
2*0.5000^n - 9*0.7500^n + 8
```

Sequence

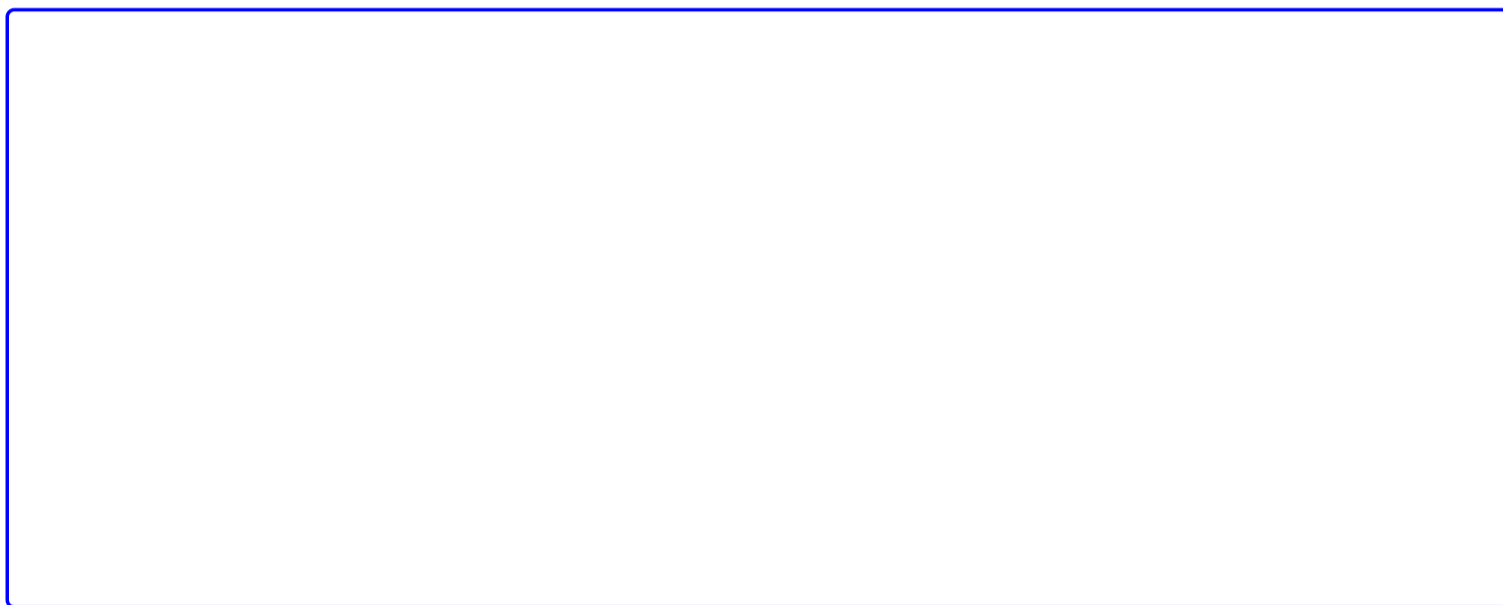
```
n = 0:15;  
sequence = subs(fn,n);  
stem(n,sequence)  
title('Discrete Time Sequence f[n] = 2*(1/2)^n-9*(3/4)^n + 8');  
ylabel('f[n]')  
xlabel('Sequence number n')
```



Example 2

Karris example 9.5: use the partial fraction expansion method to compute the inverse z-transform of

$$F(z) = \frac{12z}{(z+1)(z-1)^2}$$



MATLAB solution for example 2

See [example2.mlx](#). (Also available as [example2.m](#).)

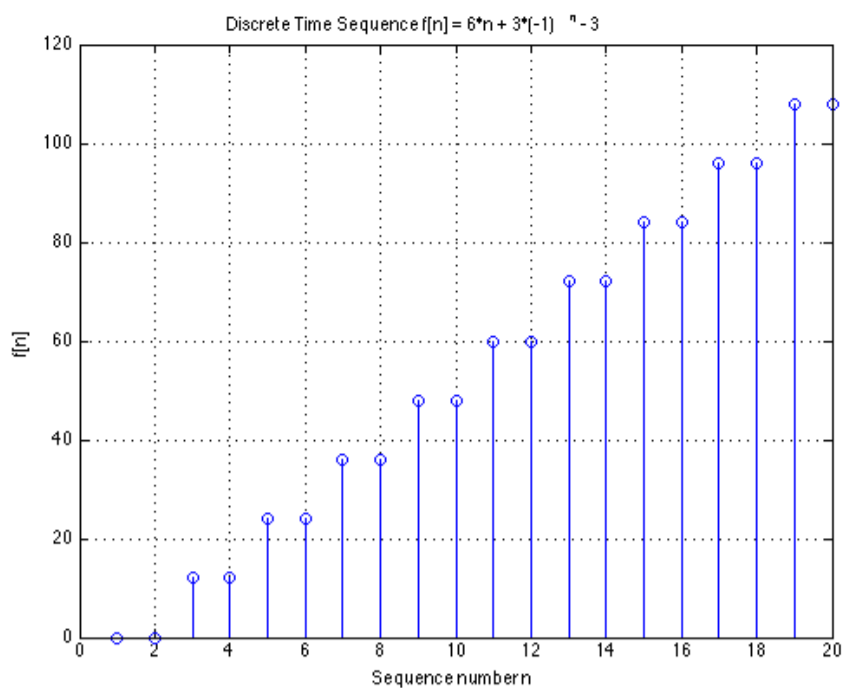
Uses additional MATLAB functions:

- `dimpulse` – computes and plots a sequence $f[n]$ for any range of values of n

`open example2`

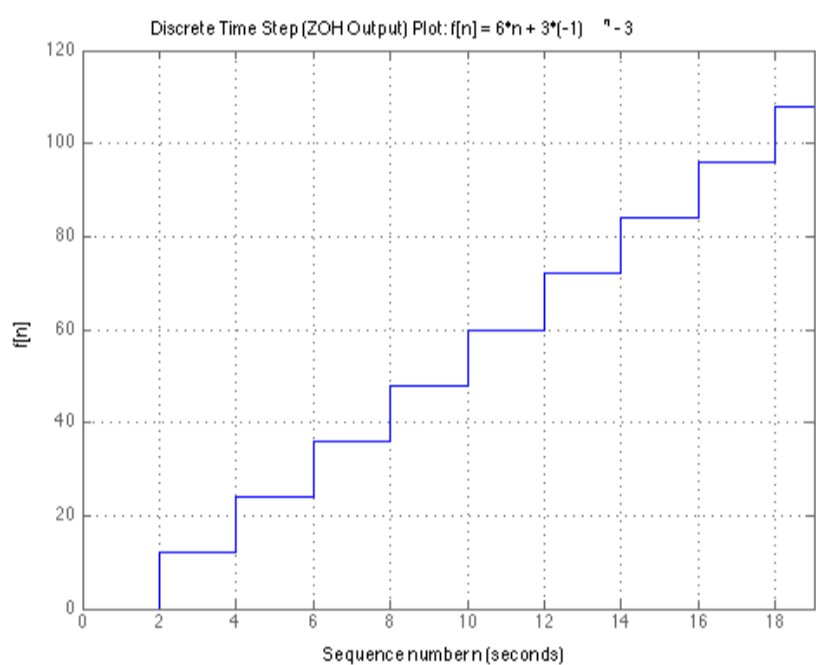
Results for example 2

'Lollipop' Plot



'Staircase' Plot

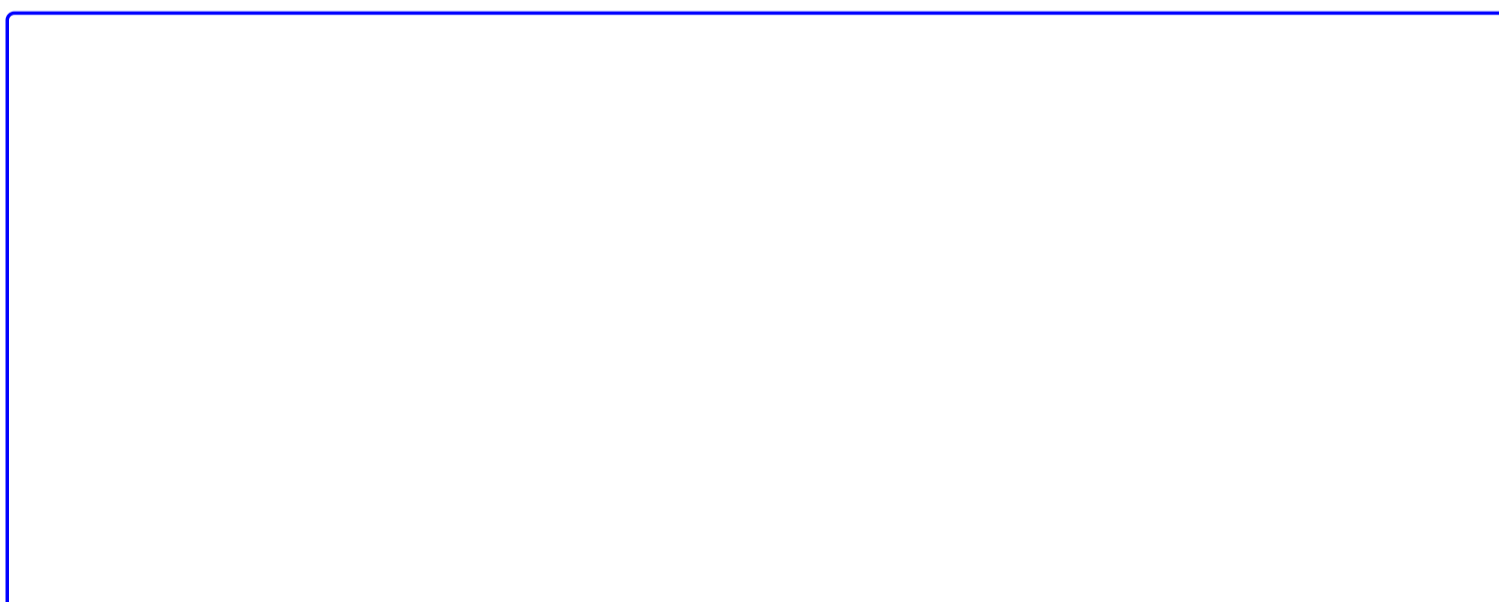
Simulates output of Zero-Order-Hold (ZOH) or Digital Analogue Converter (DAC)



Example 3

Karris example 9.6: use the partial fraction expansion method to to compute the inverse z-transform of

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



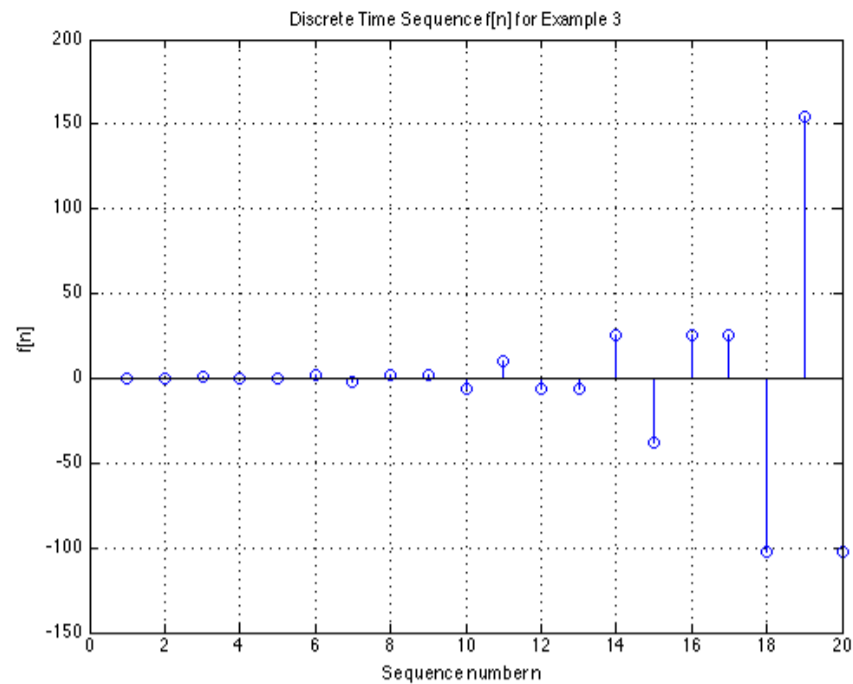
MATLAB solution for example 3

See [example3.mlx](#). (Also available as [example3.m](#).)

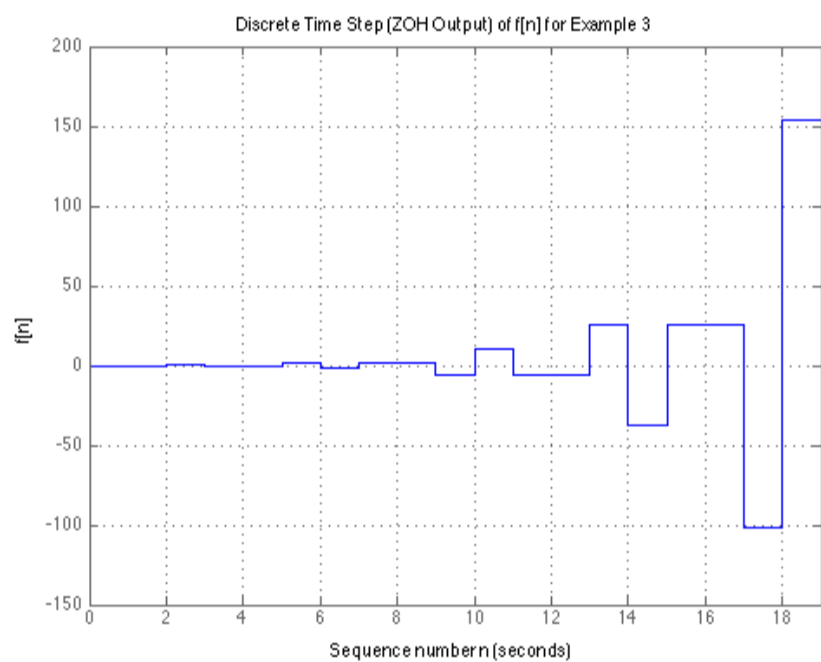
[open example3](#)

Results for example 3

Lollipop Plot



Staircase Plot



Inverse Z-Transform by the Inversion Integral

The inversion integral states that:

$$f[n] = \frac{1}{j2\pi} \oint_C F(z)z^{n-1} dz$$

where C is a closed curve that encloses all poles of the integrand.

This can (apparently) be solved by Cauchy's residue theorem!!

Fortunately (-), this is beyond the scope of this module!

See Karris Section 9.6.2 (pp 9-29—9-33) if you want to find out more.

Inverse Z-Transform by the Long Division

To apply this method, $F(z)$ must be a rational polynomial function, and the numerator and denominator must be polynomials arranged in descending powers of z .

We will work through an example in class.

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Example 4

Karris example 9.9: use the long division method to determine $f[n]$ for $n = 0, 1,$ and $2,$ given that

$$F(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1} + 2z^{-2} + 3z^{-3}}{(1 - 0.25z^{-1})(1 - 0.5z^{-1})(1 - 0.75z^{-1})}$$



MATLAB solution for example 4

See [example4.mlx](#). (also available as [example4.m](#).)

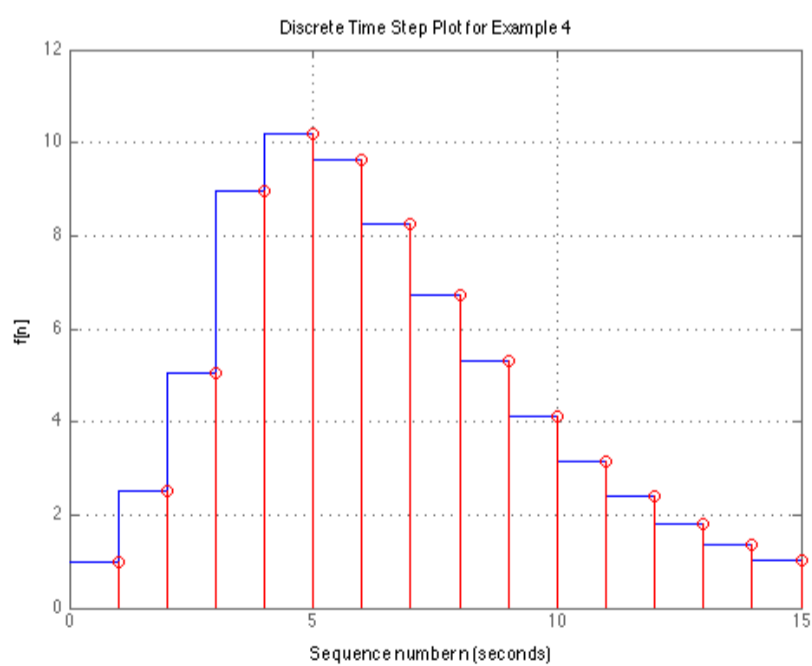
```
open example4
```

Results for example 4

```
sym_den =
z^3 - (3*z^2)/2 + (11*z)/16 - 3/32

fn =
 1.0000
 2.5000
 5.0625
 ...
```

Combined Staircase/Lollipop Plot



Methods of Evaluation of the Inverse Z-Transform

Partial Fraction Expansion

Advantages

- Most familiar.
- Can use MATLAB `residue` function.

Disadvantages

- Requires that $F(z)$ is a proper rational function.

Inversion Integral

Advantage

- Can be used whether $F(z)$ is rational or not

Disadvantages

- Requires familiarity with the *Residues theorem* of complex variable analysis.

Long Division

Advantages

- Practical when only a small sequence of numbers is desired.
- Useful when z-transform has no closed-form solution.

Disadvantages

- Can use MATLAB `dimpulse` function to compute a large sequence of numbers.
- Requires that $F(z)$ is a proper rational function.
- Division may be endless.

Summary

- Inverse Z-Transform
- Examples using PFE
- Examples using Long Division
- Analysis in MATLAB

Coming Next

- DT transfer functions, continuous system equivalents, and modelling DT systems in Matlab and Simulink.

Reference

See [Bibliography](#).

Answers to Examples

Answer to Example 1

$$f[n] = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n - 9\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n + 8$$

Answer to Example 2

$$f[n] = 3(-1)^n + 6n - 3$$

Answer to Example 3

$$f[n] = -0.5\delta[n] + 0.4 + \frac{(\sqrt{2})^n}{10} \cos \frac{3n\pi}{4} - \frac{3(\sqrt{2})^n}{10} \sin \frac{3n\pi}{4}$$

Answer to Example 4

$$f[0] = 1, f[1] = 5/2, f[2] = 81/16, \dots$$

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