THE INVERSE Z-TRANSFORM

Solution 6.1

(i) \( x(n) = \delta(n) \)

(ii) \( x(n) = \delta(n + 3) \)

(iii) \( x(n) = a^n u(n) \)

(iv) \( x(n) = -a^n u(-n-1) \)

(v) \( x(n) = -2 \delta(n - 2) + \delta(n) + 2 \delta(n + 1) \)

Solution 6.2

(i) Using contour integration,

\[
x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_C \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} z^{n-1} \, dz
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_C \frac{z^n}{z + \frac{1}{2}} \, dz
\]

Since the contour of integration must lie inside the region of convergence, i.e. for \( |z| > \frac{1}{2} \), it encloses the pole at \( z = -\frac{1}{2} \).

For \( n \geq 0 \) there are no poles at \( z = 0 \). Thus, for \( n \geq 0 \)

\[
x(n) = \text{Residue of} \, \frac{z^n}{z + \frac{1}{2}} \, \text{at} \, z = -\frac{1}{2} \, \text{or}
\]

\[
x(n) = (-\frac{1}{2})^n \quad n \geq 0
\]

For \( n < 0 \) we use the substitution of variables. Thus

\[
x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_C X(1/p) \, p^{-n-1} \, dp
\]

where now the contour of integration must lie inside the region of convergence of \( X(1/p) \) i.e. for \( |p| < 2 \). Then

\[
x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_C \frac{2p^{-n-1}}{p + 2} \, dp
\]

For \( n \) negative the only pole is at \( p = -2 \) which is outside the contour of integration. Thus for \( n < 0 \) \( x(n) = 0 \). Combining these two results, then

\[
x(n) = (-\frac{1}{2})^n u(n)
\]

Since for this example \( X(z) \) has only a single pole, the partial fractions expansion method wouldn't apply. The inspection method would and in fact corresponds to problem 6.1 (iii) for \( a = -\frac{1}{2} \).
(ii) Using contour integration,
\[ x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_c \left[ \frac{z(z - \frac{1}{2})}{(z + \frac{1}{2})(z + \frac{1}{4})} \right] z^{n-1} \, dz \]
where on the contour \( c \), \( |z| > \frac{1}{2} \).

For \( n \geq 0 \)
\[ x(n) = \left( \text{Residue of } X(z)z^{n-1} \text{ at } z = -\frac{1}{2} \right) + \left( \text{Residue of } X(z)z^{n-1} \text{ at } z = -\frac{1}{4} \right) \]
\[ = 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n - 3\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \]

For \( n < 0 \)
\[ x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{1-\frac{1}{2}p}{(1+\frac{1}{4}p)(1+\frac{1}{2}p)} \, p^{-n-1} \, dp \]

The contour of integration is \( |p| < 2 \). The poles of the integrand for \( n < 0 \) are at \( p = -4 \) and \( p = -2 \). Therefore there are no poles inside the contour of integration and thus
\[ x(n) = 0 \quad n < 0, \text{ i.e.} \]
\[ x(n) = \left[ 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n - 3\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \right] u(n) \]

Using a partial fractions expansion,
\[ X(z) = \frac{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{(1+\frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1+\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} \]
\[ = \frac{-4z^{-1} + 8}{(z^{-1} + 4)(z^{-1} + 2)} = \frac{a}{z^{-1} + 4} + \frac{b}{z^{-1} + 2} \]
\[ a = X(z)(z^{-1} + 4) \bigg|_{z^{-1} = -4} = -12 \]
\[ b = X(z)(z^{-1} + 2) \bigg|_{z^{-1} = -2} = 8 \]

So,
\[ X(z) = \frac{-12}{z^{-1} + 4} + \frac{8}{z^{-1} + 2} = \frac{-3}{(1+\frac{1}{4}z^{-1})} + \frac{4}{(1+\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} \]

With \( X(z) \) expressed in this form, \( x(n) \) can be obtained by inspection. Specifically, since the region of convergence of \( X(z) \) is \( |z| > \frac{1}{2} \), \( x(n) \) is a right-sided sequence and is given by
\[ x(n) = \left[-3\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \, u(n) + 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \right] u(n) . \]

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Using contour integration,
\[
x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_{c} \frac{z - 2}{1 - 2z} z^{n-1} \, dz
\]
for \( n > 0 \) there is one pole, at \( z = \frac{1}{2} \). Thus for \( n > 0 \)
\[
x(n) = -\frac{1}{2} (z - 2) z^{n-1} \bigg|_{z = \frac{1}{2}} = + \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n
\]
For \( n = 0 \) there is also a pole at \( z = 0 \). Hence for \( n = 0 \)
\[
\text{residue of } x(n) \text{ at the origin } = \frac{z - 2}{1 - 2z} \bigg|_{z = 0} = -2
\]
For \( n < 0 \) following the same procedure as in (i) and (ii), \( x(n) = 0 \).

Thus
\[
x(n) = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(n) - 2\delta(n)
\]

Using the partial fractions expansion, we note first that the order
of the numerator and denominator are equal, and thus the partial
fractions expansion of \( X(z) \) is in the form
\[
X(z) = a + \frac{b}{z^{-1} - 2}
\]
To obtain the constant \( a \) we use long division. Thus:
\[
\begin{align*}
  z^{-1} - 2 & | -2z^{-1} + 1 \\
                  & -2z^{-1} + 4 \\
                  & -3
\end{align*}
\]
Therefore \( X(z) = -2 + \frac{-3}{z^{-1} - 2} = -2 + \frac{3/2}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \)

Since the region of convergence is \( |z| > \frac{1}{2} \), the inverse z-transform is
(by inspection)
\[
x(n) = -2\delta(n) + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(n)
\]

Solution 6.3

Expanding \( e^z \) in a power series, we obtain
\[
e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{0} \frac{1}{(-n)!} z^n
\]
Thus, \( x(n) = \frac{1}{(-n)!} u(-n) \)
Solution 6.4

If \( h(n) = 0 \) for \( n < 0 \), then \( H(z) \) must be expressible as a power series of the form

\[
H(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h(n) z^{-n}.
\]

Specifically, it cannot contain any positive powers of \( z \). Consequently, expressed as a ratio of polynomials in \( z \), the order of the numerator must be less than or equal to the order of the denominator. Equivalently, we can refer to the result of problem 5.

In that problem we showed that if \( x(n) = 0 \) \( n < 0 \) then \( \lim_{z \to \infty} X(z) \) must be finite. Applying either of these conditions, (a) and (c) could correspond to causal systems while (b) and (d) could not.

Solution 6.5

(a)

\[
x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_{c} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z} z^{n-1} \, dz
\]

Since the region of convergence includes the unit circle and the pole is at \( z = 2, |z| < 2 \) on the contour \( c \). Therefore the pole at \( z = 2 \) is not inside the contour of integration. Hence for \( n < 0 \) the only poles inside the contour of integration are at \( z = 0 \):

\[
x(0) = \text{Res} \left[ \frac{1}{z(1 - \frac{1}{2}z)} \right] \text{ at } z = 0 = 1
\]

\[
x(-1) = \text{Res} \left[ \frac{1}{z^2(1 - \frac{1}{2}z)} \right] \text{ at } z = 0.
\]

Applying eq. (4.44) of the text, we obtain

\[
x(-1) = \frac{d}{dz} \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z} \right] \bigg|_{z = 0} = \frac{1}{2}
\]

\[
x(-2) = \text{Res} \left[ \frac{1}{z^3(1 - \frac{1}{2}z)} \right] \text{ at } z = 0
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z} \right] \bigg|_{z = 0} = \frac{1}{4}
\]

(b) For \( n > 0 \) \( x(n) = 0 \) since there are no poles inside the region of convergence. For \( n \leq 0 \)

\[
x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_{c} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} p^{n-1} \, dp
\]
where \(|p| > \frac{1}{2}\) on \(c^-\). Thus for \(n \leq 0\)

\[ x(n) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-n} \]

Note in particular that

\[ x(0) = 1, \ x(-1) = \frac{1}{2} \] and \(x(-2) = \frac{1}{4}\) as was obtained in (a).
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