

2E2 Tutorial sheet 6 Solutions

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1. Find the \mathcal{Z} transform of

$$\left(k \sin \frac{k\pi}{3}\right)_{k=0}^{\infty}$$

Solution: We know from the tables that

$$\mathcal{Z}[(\sin k\omega)_{k=0}^{\infty}](z) = \frac{z \sin \omega}{z^2 - 2z \cos \omega + 1}$$

and one of the properties of \mathcal{Z} is

$$\mathcal{Z}[(kx_k)_{k=0}^{\infty}](z) = \left(-z \frac{d}{dz}\right) \mathcal{Z}[(x_k)_{k=0}^{\infty}](z)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Z}\left[\left(k \sin \frac{k\pi}{3}\right)_{k=0}^{\infty}\right](z) &= \left(-z \frac{d}{dz}\right) \frac{z \sin \frac{\pi}{3}}{z^2 - 2z \cos \frac{\pi}{3} + 1} \\ &= \left(-z \frac{d}{dz}\right) \frac{(\sqrt{3}/2)z}{z^2 - z + 1} \\ &= (-z)(\sqrt{3}/2) \frac{z^2 - z + 1 - z(2z - 1)}{(z^2 - z + 1)^2} \\ &= \left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}z}{2}\right) \frac{z^2 - z + 1 - 2z^2 + z}{(z^2 - z + 1)^2} \\ &= \left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}z}{2}\right) \frac{-z^2 + 1}{(z^2 - z + 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \frac{z(z^2 - 1)}{(z^2 - z + 1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

2. Find the sequence with \mathcal{Z} transform

$$\frac{z}{z^2 + 2z + 2}$$

Solution: We use partial fractions on $\frac{1}{z}$ times this. The denominator $z^2 + 2z + 2$ has complex roots

$$z = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 8}}{2} = -1 \pm \sqrt{-1} = -1 \pm i$$

and so (complex) partial fractions for this take the form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{z^2 + 2z + 2} &= \frac{A}{z - (-1 + i)} + \frac{B}{z - (-1 - i)} \\ 1 &= A(z - (-1 - i)) + B(z - (-1 + i)) \\ \underline{z = -1 + i} & \\ 1 &= A(-1 + i - (-1 - i)) = A(2i) \\ A &= \frac{1}{2i} = -\frac{i}{2} \\ \underline{z = -1 - i} & \\ 1 &= B(-1 - i - (-1 + i)) = B(-2i) \\ B &= \frac{1}{-2i} = \frac{i}{2} \\ \frac{1}{z^2 + 2z + 2} &= -\frac{i}{2} \frac{1}{z - (-1 + i)} + \frac{i}{2} \frac{1}{z - (-1 - i)} \\ \frac{z}{z^2 + 2z + 2} &= -\frac{i}{2} \frac{z}{z - (-1 + i)} + \frac{i}{2} \frac{z}{z - (-1 - i)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus the required sequence is $(x_k)_{k=0}^{\infty}$ with k^{th} term

$$x_k = -\frac{i}{2}(-1 + i)^k + \frac{i}{2}(-1 - i)^k$$

We can express this without complex numbers if we use the polar form of

$$-1 \pm i = \sqrt{2} \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i \right) = \sqrt{2}(\cos 3\pi/4 \pm i \sin 3\pi/4) = \sqrt{2}e^{\pm 3i\pi/4}$$

so that

$$x_k = \frac{i}{2}2^{k/2} (-e^{3ik\pi/4} + e^{-3ik\pi/4}) = \frac{i}{2}2^{k/2}(-2i \sin(3k\pi/4)) = 2^{k/2} \sin(3k\pi/4)$$