

**A METHOD FOR NUMERICAL EVALUATING  
OF INVERSE Z-TRANSFORM**

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**Abstract.** *We will discuss the problem of finding the best approximations in the space of real sequences. We introduce orthogonal sequences using Z-Transform and apply it in approximating of inverse Z-Transform. We will illustrate it by some examples.*

**Key words:** *Approximation, Orthogonal Functions, Z-Transform*

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The Z-Transform is used to take discrete time domain signals into a complex-variable frequency domain. It plays a similar role to the one the Laplace Transform does in the continuous time domain. Like the Laplace, the Z-Transform opens up new ways of solving problems and designing discrete domain applications. Z-Transform and inverse Z-Transform have applications in numerous sciences: theory of probability, difference equations, signal processing, filter design and so on.

Let  $h = \{h_j\}_{j \in N_0}$  be an unknown sequence in the space  $l_2$  whose Z-Transform is a known function  $H(z)$ , i.e.,

$$Zh = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} h_j z^{-j} = H(z).$$

The sequence  $h$  is the inverse Z-Transform of  $H(z)$ , i.e.  $h = Z^{-1}H(z)$ , defined by

$$h_j = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} H(z) z^{j-1} dz \quad (j \in N_0).$$

where  $\Gamma$  is a contour in the complex plane containing all poles of  $H(z)$ .

The finding of the inverse Z-Transform is closed with a lot of troubles. We will try to reconstruct this unknown sequence numerically.

Therefore, we will remind on some properties of the Z-Transform and the space  $l_2$ .

The region of convergence of the Z-Transform of  $h$  is the range of values of  $z$  for which  $H(z)$  is finite. The Z-Transform definition will converge absolutely when the series of real numbers

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} h_j z^{-j}$$

converges. The ratio test for convergence states

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{h_{n+1} z^{-n-1}}{h_n z^{-n}} \right| < 1 \Rightarrow |z| > \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{h_{n+1}}{h_n} \right| = R.$$

Therefore the series converges outside the circle with the centre at origin and radius  $R$ .

We define a composition and a scalar product in  $l_2$  by

$$f \circ g = \{f_j g_j\}_{j \in N_0}, \quad \langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j g_j \quad (f, g \in l_2). \quad (1.1)$$

The square of norm of a sequence  $f$  in the space  $l_2$  is  $\|f\|^2 = \langle f, f \rangle$ .

A sequence  $\{\varphi^{(n)}\}_{n \in N}$  is orthogonal with respect to inner product (1.1) if

$$\langle \varphi^{(m)}, \varphi^{(n)} \rangle = \delta_{m,n} \|\varphi^{(n)}\|^2 \quad (m, n \in N),$$

where  $\delta_{m,n}$  is Kronecker delta. We suppose that this sequence is normalized by initial value  $\varphi_0^{(n)} = 1$  ( $n \in N$ ).

Let  $S^{(n)}$  be the linear over the first  $n$  members of orthogonal sequence, i.e.,

$$S^{(n)} = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \varphi^{(k)} \mid a_k \in R \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots, n) \right\}. \quad (1.2)$$

Our purpose is to find approximation with the property

$$\min_{f \in S^{(n)}} \|h - f\| = \|h - h^{(n)}\|. \quad (1.3)$$

which we call *the best approximation* of  $h$  in  $S^{(n)}$ .

If  $Zf = F(z)$  and  $Zg = G(z)$ , then

$$F(\omega)G(z/\omega) = \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{f_j}{\omega^j} \right) \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} g_k \frac{\omega^k}{z^k} \right) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\omega^m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f_{k+m} g_k}{z^k}.$$

Knowing that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|\omega|=R} \frac{d\omega}{\omega^{k+1}} = \delta_{k,0},$$

we conclude that it is valid

$$Z(f \circ g)(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|\omega|=R} F(\omega)G(z/\omega) \frac{d\omega}{\omega}.$$

Since  $Z(f \circ g)$  is a holomorphic function in the point  $z = 1$ , the scalar product (1.2) can be represented in the following way

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z|=1} F(\omega)G(1/\omega) \frac{d\omega}{\omega} = \sum_{|z_i|<1} \operatorname{Res}_{\omega=z_i} \frac{F(\omega)G(1/\omega)}{\omega}. \tag{1.4}$$

Here, we will remind of the basic facts of  $q$ -calculus (see, for example, [1]). So,  $q$ -numbers,  $q$ -factorials and  $q$ -binomials are defined by

$$[n] = \frac{1-q^n}{1-q}, \quad [n]! = [n][n-1] \cdots [1], \quad \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} = \frac{[n]!}{[n-k]![k]}.$$

## 2. ORTHOGONAL SEQUENCES

We will start with the sequence  $E = \{e^{(n)}\}_{n \in N}$ , of the sequences defined by

$$e_j^{(k)} = q^{jk} \quad (j \in N_0).$$

The sequence  $E$  is fundamental in  $l_2$ . That is why we can express  $\varphi^{(n)}$  by

$$\varphi^{(n)} = \sum_{k=1}^n b_{nk} e^{(k)} \quad \text{where} \quad \varphi_j^{(n)} = \sum_{k=1}^n b_{nk} q^{jk}. \tag{2.1}$$

From the other side, let us denote by

$$\Phi_n(z) = Z\varphi^{(n)}. \tag{2.2}$$

Z-Transform of  $\varphi^{(n)}$ . From

$$Ze^{(k)} = \frac{z}{z - q^k},$$

we have

$$\Phi_n(z) = \sum_{k=1}^n b_{nk} Ze^{(k)} = z \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{b_{nk}}{z - q^k}.$$

Since

$$\Phi_n(z) = Z\varphi^{(n)} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\varphi_j^{(n)}}{z^j} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_n(z) = \varphi_0^{(n)} = 1,$$

we conclude that  $\Phi_n(z)$  must be a rational function with the monic polynomials of the same degree at numerator and denominator. Because of orthogonality, we have

$$\Phi_n(q^{-k}) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j^{(n)} q^{jk} = \langle \varphi^{(n)}, e^{(k)} \rangle = 0 \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1).$$

Hence

$$\Phi_n(z) = \frac{z Q_{n-1}(z; 1/q)}{Q_n(z; q)},$$

where

$$Q_n(z; q) = \prod_{k=1}^n (z - q^k).$$

Now, we can expand

$$\frac{\Phi_n(z)}{z} = \frac{Q_{n-1}(z; 1/q)}{Q_n(z; q)} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{b_{nk}}{z - q^k},$$

where

$$b_{nk} = \frac{Q_{n-1}(q^k; 1/q)}{Q_n'(q^k; q)} \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots, n).$$

By some evaluating, we have

$$Q_{n-1}(q^k; 1/q) = \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (q^k - q^{-j}) = \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{q^{k+j} - 1}{q^j} = (-1)^{n-1} q^{-(n-1)n/2} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - q^{k+j})$$

and

$$Q_n'(q^k; q) = \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq k}}^n (q^k - q^j) = (-1)^{k-1} q^{(k-1)k/2} \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} q^{k(n-k)} (1 - q^j) \prod_{j=1}^{n-k} (1 - q^j).$$

At last, the coefficient  $b_{nk}$  is

$$b_{nk} = (-1)^{n-k} q^{-\binom{n}{2} + \binom{k+1}{2} - kn} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} n+k-1 \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots, n). \quad (2.3)$$

The norm of  $\varphi^{(n)}$  can be expressed by

$$\|\varphi^{(n)}\|^2 = \langle \varphi^{(n)}, \varphi^{(n)} \rangle = \sum_{|z_i| < 1} \operatorname{Res} \frac{\Phi_n(z) \Phi_n(1/z)}{z}.$$

Since

$$\Phi_n(1/z) = -q^{-n^2} \frac{z}{(z - q^n)(z - q^{-n})} \frac{1}{\Phi_n(z)},$$

we have

$$\|\varphi^{(n)}\|^2 = -q^{-n^2} \operatorname{Res}_{z=q^n} \frac{1}{(z - q^n)(z - q^{-n})},$$

and finally

$$\|\varphi^{(n)}\|^2 = \frac{q^{n(1-n)}}{1 - q^{2n}}. \quad (2.4)$$

## 3. APPLICATIONS

Now, we can expand any sequence  $h$  from  $l_2$  in the series

$$h = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k \varphi^{(k)}, \quad \text{where} \quad c_k = \frac{\langle h, \varphi^{(k)} \rangle}{\|\varphi^{(k)}\|^2}. \quad (3.1)$$

From (2.1), we have

$$\langle h, \varphi^{(k)} \rangle = \left\langle h, \sum_{i=1}^k b_{ki} e^{(i)} \right\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^k b_{ki} \langle h, e^{(i)} \rangle.$$

If we denote by  $H(z) = Z h$ , it follows

$$\langle h, e^{(i)} \rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} h_j (q^i)^j = H(1/q^i).$$

Hence we can rewrite  $c_k$  in the form

$$c_k = \frac{1}{\|\varphi^{(k)}\|^2} \sum_{i=1}^k b_{ki} H(1/q^i). \quad (3.2)$$

The function  $h^{(n)}$  defined by

$$h^{(n)} = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k \varphi^{(k)}$$

is the best approximation of  $h$  in the space  $l_2$  with error

$$\|h - h^{(n)}\|^2 = \|h\|^2 - \sum_{k=1}^n c_k^2 \|\varphi^{(k)}\|^2. \quad (3.3)$$

According to (1.4), we can evaluate exactly

$$\|h\|^2 = \langle h, h \rangle = \sum_{|z_i| < 1} \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_i} \frac{H(z)H(1/z)}{z}. \quad (3.4)$$

**Example 3.1.** Let

$$H(z) = \frac{z(z+0.1)}{(z-0.2)^2(z-0.3)(z-0.4)}.$$

In the Figure 3.1, the exact sequence  $h(j)$  (see M.R. Stojic [3])

$$h(j) = (75j + 275)(0.1)^j - 400(0.3)^j + 125(0.4)^j$$

is shown as the continuous line  $h(t)$  and the approximation is drawn by large points.

Applying our method we find the approximation of  $h(j)$ , whose relative error is given in Table 3.1.

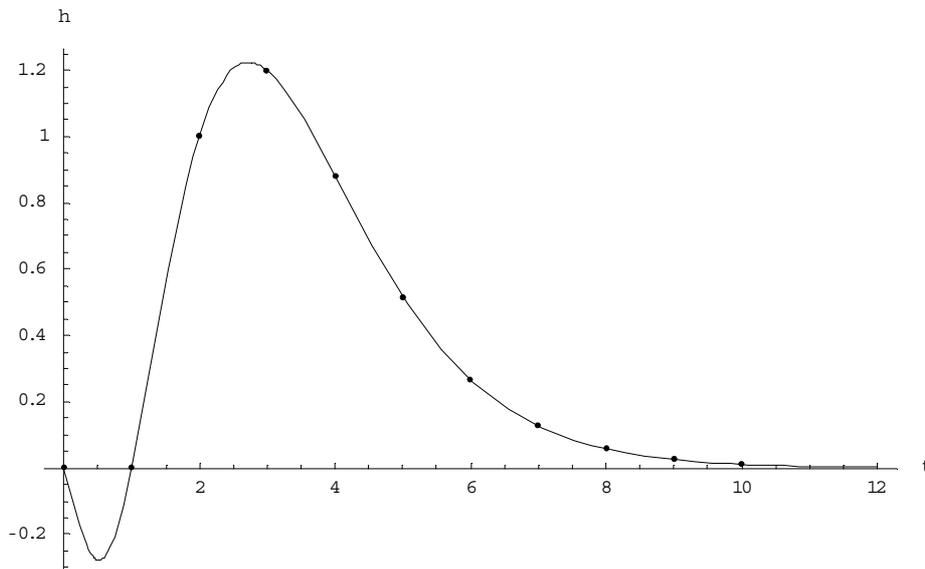


Fig. 3.1.

Table 3.1.

$j$	approx $q=5/6$	rel. error	approx $q=3/4$	rel. error
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0
2	0.99999997978	0.202128 (-7)	1.00000000424	0.424853 (-8)
3	1.20000012119	0.100992 (-6)	1.19999994006	0.499529 (-7)
4	0.87999958787	0.468326 (-6)	0.88000049395	0.493950 (-6)
5	0.51600074713	0.144794 (-5)	0.51599759135	0.466792 (-5)
6	0.26679951778	0.180742 (-5)	0.26680658304	0.246741 (-4)
7	0.12755961246	0.303802 (-5)	0.12755192356	0.633148 (-4)
8	0.05791634663	0.598504 (-5)	0.05791519455	0.139072 (-4)
9	0.02538166043	0.181407 (-4)	0.02538820731	0.276083 (-3)
10	0.01085025302	0.488618 (-5)	0.01085445069	0.391762 (-3)

The relative error is evaluated by the cognition of the exact sequence.

But, very important thing is that we can estimate the error for unknown  $h(j)$  according to formulae (3.3) and (3.4). Especially, for this example, the function  $H(z)H(1/z)/z$  has the poles inside the unit circle in the points 0.2, 0.3 and 0.4. According to (3.4), the square norm of  $h$  is  $\|h\|^2 = 3.5722510455544322893$ .

Now, applying (3.3), we can estimate the square norms of errors. So, for  $q=3/4$ , it is  $4.13047468 \cdot 10^{-10}$  and, for  $q = 5/6$ , we get  $2.3451145 \cdot 10^{-12}$ .

In the formula (3.3), in the norm of error of approximation the coefficients  $c_k$  and the norms  $\|\varphi^{(k)}\|$  which depend on the parameter  $q$  take part. So, by the suitable choice of  $q$ , we can exert an influence to the size of the error of approximation).

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## JEDAN METOD ZA NUMERIČKO IZRAČUNAVANJE INVERZNE Z-TRANSFORMACIJE

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*U radu proučavamo problem nalaženja najbolje aproksimacije u prostoru realnih nizova. Stoga, koristeći Z-transformiju, uvodimo ortogonalne nizove. Ove nizove upotrebljavamo u aproksimiranju inverzne Z-transformacije. Metod ilustrujemo odgovarajućim primerima.*