

Problems on Z-transform Properties

1. If $x(n) = x_1(n) * x_2(n)$ where $x_1(n) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u(n)$ and $x_2(n) = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^n u(n)$, find $X(z)$ using convolution property of Z-transform

sol. $x_1(n) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u(n) \Rightarrow X_1(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} \quad |z| > \frac{1}{3}$

$$x_2(n) = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^n u(n) \Rightarrow X_2(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{5}z^{-1}} \quad |z| > \frac{1}{5}$$

Using convolution property

$$x_1(n) * x_2(n) \xleftrightarrow{Z} X_1(z) \cdot X_2(z)$$

$$\therefore X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{5}z^{-1}} \quad \text{Roc: } |z| > \frac{1}{3}$$

2. Determine the signal $x(n]$ whose z-transform is given by: $X(z) = \log(1 - az^{-1}) \quad |z| > |a|$

Given $X(z) = \log(1 - az^{-1})$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dz} X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} (a\bar{z}^{-2}) = \frac{a\bar{z}^{-2}}{1 - a\bar{z}^{-1}}$$

Multiplying $-z$ on both sides:

$$-z \frac{d}{dz} X(z) = \frac{-a\bar{z}'}{1-a\bar{z}'}$$

$$= -a\bar{z}' \left[\frac{1}{1-a\bar{z}'} \right]$$

$$= -a\bar{z}' \left[\mathcal{Z}[a^n u(n)] \right]$$

$$= -a \mathcal{Z}[a^{n-1} u(n-1)] \quad \text{[Time shifting property]} \quad \text{①}$$

Using differentiation property

$$\mathcal{Z}[n x(n)] = -z \frac{d}{dz} X(z) \quad \text{--- ②}$$

Comparing ① & ②

$$n x(n) = -a [a^{n-1} u(n-1)]$$

$$\therefore x(n) = \frac{-a^n u(n-1)}{n}$$

3. Find z-transform of $na^n u(n)$

Sol: W.K.T $\mathcal{Z}[a^n u(n)] = \frac{1}{1-a\bar{z}'} \quad |z| > a$

Using the property - multiplication by n :

$$Z[nx(n)] = -Z \cdot \frac{d}{dz} X(z)$$

$$\therefore Z[na^n u(n)] = -Z \frac{d}{dz} \left[\frac{1}{1-a\bar{z}'} \right]$$

$$= -Z \left[\frac{-1}{(1-a\bar{z}')^2} (+a\bar{z}') \right]$$

$$= \frac{a\bar{z}'}{(1-a\bar{z}')^2} = \frac{a/z}{\frac{(z-a)^2}{z^2}} = \frac{az}{(z-a)^2}$$

$$\therefore X(z) = \frac{az}{(z-a)^2} \quad |z| > a$$

4. Determine the z-transform of following signal:

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{2}(n^2+n) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} u(n-1)$$

$$\text{of: } x(n) = \frac{1}{2}(n^2+n) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} u(n-1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} n^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} u(n-1) + \frac{1}{2} n \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-1} u(n-1)$$

W.K.T $\mathcal{Z}[(1/3)^n u(n)] = \frac{z}{z-1/3} \quad |z| > 1/3$

Using time shifting property:

$$\mathcal{Z}[(1/3)^{n-1} u(n-1)] = z^{-1} \times \frac{z}{z-1/3} = \frac{1}{z-1/3}$$

Using multiplication property:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Z}[n \cdot (1/3)^{n-1} u(n-1)] &= -z \cdot \frac{d}{dz} \left[\frac{1}{z-1/3} \right] \\ &= -z \times \frac{-1}{(z-1/3)^2} = \frac{z}{(z-1/3)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } \mathcal{Z}[n^2 \cdot (1/3)^{n-1} u(n-1)] &= -z \frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{z}{(z-1/3)^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{z(z+1/3)}{(z-1/3)^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore X(z) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{z(z+1/3)}{(z-1/3)^3} + \frac{z}{(z-1/3)^2} \right] \\ &= \frac{z^2}{(z-1/3)^3} \quad \text{ROC } |z| > 1/3 \end{aligned}$$

3. Find $x(\infty)$ if $X(z)$ is given by $\frac{3z+4}{(z-1)(z+4)}$

Sol: Using final value theorem:

$$x(\infty) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1)X(z)$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1) \cdot \frac{3z+4}{(z-1)(z+4)}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{3z+4}{z+4} = 7/5$$