

EE-125: Digital Signal Processing

Review Topic: Z Transform

MATLAB assignments

- The 'publish' command can be a handy way to do your assignments
 - see script 'publish_example_script.m' in Lecture 3 folder on Trunk

- Getting matlab:

<https://it.tufts.edu/sw-matlabstudent>

Reactivating last year's license may be tricky....

Z-transform

- Covering material from P&M 4.1
- Big picture: The Z-transform is like the Laplace transform, but for discrete-time (DT) signals and systems
- Why “z” transform?

Outline

- Definition of z transform
- Definition of Region of Convergence (ROC)
 - Points in z plane where transform $X(z)$ doesn't blow up (sequence converges)
 - *Always* need to specify ROC
 - ROC for FIR vs IIR
- Z-transform properties

Z-transform is like the Laplace transform, but for discrete time

Continuous time (CT): Laplace (1782)

$$x(t) < \text{-----} > X(s)$$

Math: use Laplace to solve constant-coefficient **differential** equations

Used to a) **analyze systems** (pole/zero plots) and
b) **understand their stability**



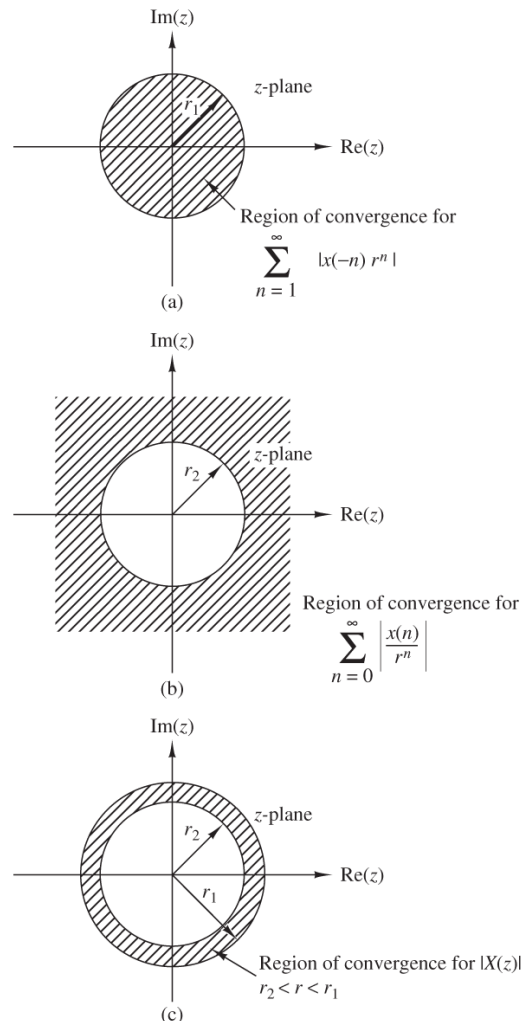
Discrete time (DT): Z (1950's)

$$x(n) < \text{-----} > X(z)$$

Math: use Z to solve constant-coefficient **difference** equations

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Regions of Convergence



anticausal

causal

Two-sided

Figure 3.1.1 Region of convergence for $X(z)$ and its corresponding causal and anticausal components.

Common z transforms

TABLE 3.3 Some Common z-Transform Pairs

	Signal, $x(n)$	z-Transform, $X(z)$	ROC
1	$\delta(n)$	1	All z
2	$u(n)$	$\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}}$	$ z > 1$
3	$a^n u(n)$	$\frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}$	$ z > a $
4	$na^n u(n)$	$\frac{az^{-1}}{(1 - az^{-1})^2}$	$ z > a $
5	$-a^n u(-n - 1)$	$\frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}$	$ z < a $
6	$-na^n u(-n - 1)$	$\frac{az^{-1}}{(1 - az^{-1})^2}$	$ z < a $
7	$(\cos \omega_0 n)u(n)$	$\frac{1 - z^{-1} \cos \omega_0}{1 - 2z^{-1} \cos \omega_0 + z^{-2}}$	$ z > 1$
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Z-transform: Brute force

- $y(n) = 2 (1/2)^{(n-2)} u(n-2)$. Find $Y(z)$.

brute force: $y = 2 (1/2)^{-2} (1/2)^n u(n-2)$
 $= 8 (1/2)^n u(n-2)$

$$Y(z) = 8 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n z^{-n}$$
$$= 8 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2z}\right)^n$$

Change variables: $m = n - 2$, so $n = m + 2$

$$Y(z) = 8 \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^{m+2}$$
$$= 8 \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^2 \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^m$$
$$= 2 z^{-2} \frac{1}{1 - 1/2 z^{-1}} \quad |z| > 1/2$$

Example of using Z properties

OR: remember $a^n u(n) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{1-az^{-1}}, |z| > a$

time-shift:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} u(n-2) \leftrightarrow z^{-2} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

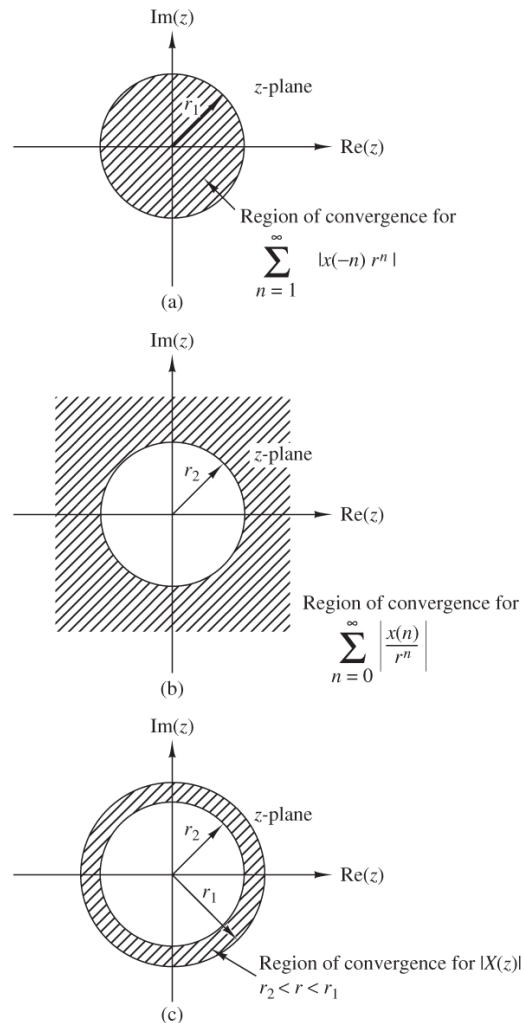
linearity: multiply by 2

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Inverse Z-transform

- Sadly, we won't do much with inverse Z-transform in this class: mainly we will use the Z transform to analyze $X(z)$
- Inverse Z-transforms can be done by:
 - Inspection (answer is easy for finite-length sequences)
 - Known Z-transform pairs (Table 3.3 of book, for example)
 - Partial fractions
 - Contour integration

Review: regions of Convergence



Anticausal signals
(turn off at $n=0$)
ROC: $|z| < |a|$

Causal signals
(turn off at $n \geq 0$)
ROC: $|z| > |a|$

Two-sided signals
(nonzero both sides
of $n=0$)

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