

# The $z$ -transform (ZT)

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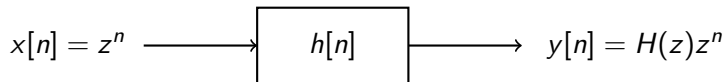
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# z-transform

Remember the eigen-function for D-T LTI System:



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

z-transform (ZT):

$$x[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} X(z) \equiv \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} \quad (\text{Bilateral})$$

# z-transform

In general:  $z = r \cdot e^{j\omega}$  (polar form)

$$X(z) = X(re^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} x[n] r^{-n} e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$\implies X(z) = FT\{x[n] r^{-n}\}$$

$$X(z)|_{z=e^{j\omega}} = FT\{x[n]\}$$

ZT is a generalization of DTFT

# z-transform

Note: For different  $r$  value,  $X(z)$  may or may not converge.

ROC: The set of  $z$  such that  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x[n]z^n|$  converges

## Example

Consider the sequence  $x[n] = a^n u[n]$ , derive its ZT.

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Consider the sequence  $x[n] = -a^n u[-n - 1]$ , derive its ZT.

# Example

$$x[n] = 7\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n] - 6\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} \\ &= 7 \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n]z^{-n} - 6 \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]z^{-n} \\ &= 7 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}z^{-1}\right)^n - 6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)^n \\ &= \frac{7}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} - \frac{6}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \quad (*) \\ &= \frac{z(z - \frac{3}{2})}{(z - \frac{1}{3})(z - \frac{1}{2})} \end{aligned}$$

# Example

ROC: Both summations in (\*) have to converge

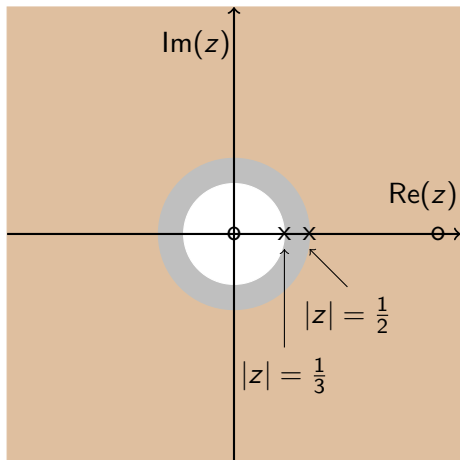
$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{3}z^{-1} \right| < 1 \quad \& \quad \left| \frac{1}{2}z^{-1} \right| < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |z| > \frac{1}{3} \quad \& \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$



# Example



o: Zero

$$z = 0, \quad z = \frac{3}{2}$$

x: Pole

$$z = \frac{1}{3}, \quad z = \frac{1}{2}$$

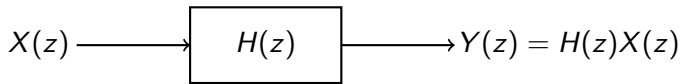
$$\text{ROC: } |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

## Example

Consider the sequence  $x[n] = (\frac{1}{3})^n \sin(4\pi n)u[n]$ , derive its ZT.

## z-transform for LTI system and LCC difference equations

$$\text{LTI system } x[n] * h[n] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} X(z) \cdot H(z)$$



A general method for solving difference equations: e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} y[n] - ay[n-1] &= \delta[n], \quad y[n] \text{ right-sided} \\ \Rightarrow Y(z) - az^{-1}Y(z) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow Y(z) &= \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \\ \Rightarrow Y(z) &= 1 + az^{-1} + a^2z^{-2} + \dots \\ \Rightarrow y[n] &= a^n u[n] \end{aligned}$$

# Unilateral z-transform

Note: Definition before is called Bilateral ZT

Unilateral ZT:

$$X(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n}$$

written as

$$x[n] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{U}\mathcal{Z}} X(z)$$

practical since usually we deal with right-sided signals and when we analyze the causal systems specified by LCC difference equations with nonzero initial conditions

# z-transform

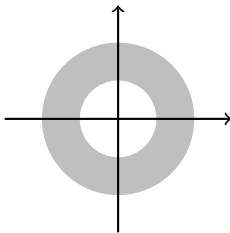
Different  $x[n]$  may have the same ZT

$$u[n] \xleftrightarrow{Z} \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \quad \text{ROC: } |z| > 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} -u[-n-1] &\xleftrightarrow{Z} - \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} u[-n-1] z^{-n} \\ &= - \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} z^{-n} = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n \\ &= - \frac{z}{1 - z} = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \quad \text{ROC: } |z| < 1 \end{aligned}$$

# Properties of ROC

1. ROC is a ring in the  $z$ -plane centered about origin.  
i.e. ROC is independent of  $\omega$



$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x[n]z^{-n}| = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x[n]| r^{-n} < \infty$$

The inner boundary may extend inward to the origin and the outer boundary may extend outward to infinity.

# Properties of ROC

## 2. ROC does not contain any pole

As with the Laplace transform, this property is simply a consequence of the fact that at a pole  $X(z)$  is infinite and therefore, by definition, does not converge.

# Properties of ROC

3. If  $x[n]$  has finite duration, then ROC is the entire  $z$ -plane, except possibly  $z = 0$  and/or  $z = \infty$

Proof:

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=N_1}^{N_2} x[n]z^{-n}$$

If  $X(z)$  contains negative power of  $z$ , then  $X(0) = \infty$  ( $N_2 > 0$ )

If  $X(z)$  contains positive power of  $z$ , then  $X(\infty) = \infty$  ( $N_1 < 0$ )

For other values of  $z$ , summation always converge

E.g. Consider the ZT of  $\delta[n]$ ,  $\delta[n-1]$ , and  $\delta[n+1]$ .



## Example

Consider the signal  $x[n] = a^n(u[n] - u[N - 1 - n])$  ( $a > 0$ ), and derive its ZT.

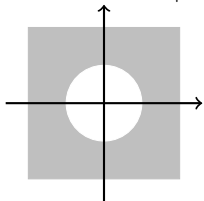
# Properties of ROC

4. If  $x[n]$  is right-sided, and if  $|z| = r_0$  is in the ROC, then all finite values of  $z$  for which  $|z| \geq r_0$  will also be in the ROC.

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=N_1}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n}$$

for  $r_1 \geq r_0$

$$\left| \sum_{n=N_1}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} \right| = \left| \sum_{n=N_1}^{\infty} x[n] \left(\frac{r_1}{r_0}\right)^{-n} (r_0 e^{j\omega})^{-n} \right| \leq \left(\frac{r_1}{r_0}\right)^{-N_1} \left| \sum_{n=N_1}^{\infty} x[n] (r_0 e^{j\omega})^{-n} \right|$$

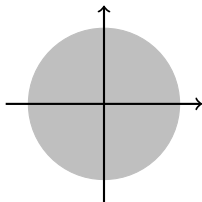


- 4'. If  $x[n]$  is right-sided, then ROC takes the form:  $c < |z| < \infty$ . (ROC will include  $z = \infty$ , if  $N_1 > 0$ .)

# Properties of ROC

5. If  $x[n]$  is left-sided, and if  $|z| = r_0$  is in the ROC, then all nonzero values of  $z$  for which  $|z| \leq r_0$  will also be in the ROC.

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{N_2} x[n]z^{-n}$$

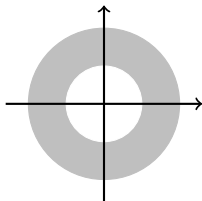


- 5'. If  $x[n]$  is left-sided, then ROC takes the form:  $0 < |z| < c$ . (ROC will include  $z = 0$ , if  $N_2 \leq 0$ .)

# Properties of ROC

6. If  $x[n]$  is two-sided, and if  $|z| = r_0$  is in ROC, then ROC is a ring that includes  $|z| = r_0$ .

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{N_0} x[n]z^{-n} + \sum_{n=N_0}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n}$$



- 6'. If  $x[n]$  is two-sided, then ROC takes the form:  $c_1 < |z| < c_2$

## Example

Consider the signal  $x[n] = b^{|n|}$  ( $b > 0$ ), and derive its ZT.

# Properties of ROC

Rational  $X(z)$  + Property 2

- 7. If  $X(z)$  is rational, then ROC is bounded by poles or extends to infinity.

From Property 7 + Properties 4, 5, 6

- 8.1 If  $x[n]$  is right-sided and  $X(z)$  is rational, then ROC is outside the outermost finite pole (may not include  $z = \infty$ ).

Especially, if  $x[n]$  is causal ( $N_1 \geq 0$ ), the ROC contains  $z = \infty$ .

# Properties of ROC

8.2 If  $x[n]$  is left-sided and  $X(z)$  is rational, then ROC is inside the innermost nonzero pole (may not include  $z = 0$ ).

Especially, if  $x[n]$  is anticausal ( $N_2 \leq 0$ ), the ROC contains  $z = 0$ .

8.3 If  $x[n]$  is two-sided and  $X(z)$  is rational, then ROC is a ring between two consecutive poles.

## Example

Consider all the ROCs that can be associated with

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})}$$



# Inverse z-transform

Can we use  $F^{-1}$  to obtain  $Z^{-1}$ ? Consider:

$$\begin{aligned}X(z) &= X(re^{j\omega}) = F\{x[n]r^{-n}\} \\ \implies x[n]r^{-n} &= F^{-1}\{X(re^{j\omega})\} \\ \implies x[n] &= r^n F^{-1}\{X(re^{j\omega})\} \\ &= r^n \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} X(re^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(re^{j\omega}) (re^{j\omega})^n d\omega\end{aligned}$$

# Inverse z-transform

Note that  $X(re^{j\omega}) \cdot (re^{j\omega})^n$  is a function of both “ $r$ ” & “ $\omega$ ”.

However, the integration is only respect to  $\omega$ : an integration along a circle contour  $z = re^{j\omega}$  in ROC, with a fixed  $r$ , and  $\omega$  varying over a  $2\pi$  interval.

By changing of variable,  $dz = jre^{j\omega} d\omega$  or  $d\omega = (\frac{1}{j})z^{-1}dz$ :

$$\begin{aligned}x[n] &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(z)z^n d\omega \\&= \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_{|z|=r} X(z)z^{n-1} dz\end{aligned}$$

# Inverse z-transform

$\oint$  integration around a counter-clockwise (CCW) closed circular contour centered at the origin with radius  $r$

**Remark:** The formal inverse z-transform equation requires contour integration in the complex plane

**Alternative:** Try to use partial-fraction expansion & ZT pairs table:

For rational  $X(z)$ , express  $X(z) = X_1(z) + X_2(z) + \dots$

in which  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  have known ZT pairs

# Partial Fraction Expansion

A rational ZT can be expressed as

$$X(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}, \quad \text{simplest fraction,}$$

$$Q(z) = \prod_{i=1}^I (1 - a_i z^{-1})^{p_i}, \quad a_i \text{'s are distinct}$$

Then

$$X(z) = \text{polynomial}(z^{-1}) + \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{k=1}^{p_i} \frac{C_{i,k}}{(1 - a_i z^{-1})^k}$$

Learn Appendix A (partial-fraction expansion) by yourself in the O&W&N textbook.

## Example

Find the sequence  $x[n]$  corresponding to the following  $z$ -transform

$$X(z) = \frac{3 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}, \quad \frac{1}{4} < |z| < \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}} + \frac{2}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} \\ \Rightarrow X_1(Z) &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{4} \\ X_2(Z) &= \frac{2}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

# Example

$$\Rightarrow x_1[n] = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n]$$

$$x_2[n] = -2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[-n-1]$$

$$\Rightarrow x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n] - 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[-n-1]$$

Q: Find the sequence  $x[n]$  when the ROC is given by

ROC:  $|z| < 1/4$

ROC:  $|z| > 1/3$

## Power-series Expansion (Long Division Method)

Find the sequence  $x[n]$  corresponding to the following  $z$ -transform

$$X(z) = 4z^2 + 2 + 3z^{-1}, \quad 0 < |z| < \infty$$

Just follow the definition of the  $z$ -transform. Especially useful for nonrational  $X(z)$ .

# Properties of ZT

## 1. Linearity

$$ax_1[n] + bx_2[n] \xleftrightarrow{Z} aX_1(z) + bX_2(z)$$

ROC at least  $R_1 \cap R_2$

ROC equals  $R_1 \cap R_2$  if there is no pole-zero cancellation

## 2. Time-shifting

$$x[n - n_0] \xleftrightarrow{Z} z^{-n_0} X(z)$$

ROC:  $R$  possibly add or delete zero/ $\infty$



# Properties of ZT

## 3. Scaling in z-domain

$$z_0^n x[n] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} X\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right), \quad \text{ROC: } |z_0|R$$

Specifically,

$$e^{j\omega_0 n} x[n] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} X(e^{-j\omega_0} z), \quad \text{ROC: } R$$

$$r_0^n x[n] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} X(r_0^{-1} z), \quad \text{ROC: } r_0 R$$

**Example:** if  $X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}$ , ROC:  $|z| > |a|$

$$\text{then } z_0^n x[n] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} X\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right) = \frac{1}{1 - a\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right)^{-1}} = \frac{1}{1 - az_0 z^{-1}}$$

$$\text{ROC is } |z| > |z_0||a|$$

# Properties of ZT

## 4. Time-reversal

$$x[-n] \xleftrightarrow{z} X\left(\frac{1}{z}\right), \quad \text{ROC: } \frac{1}{R}$$

**Example:** Given

$$u[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \quad \text{ROC: } |z| > 1$$

Find the z-transform of  $-u[-n - 1]$ .

# Properties of ZT

## 5. Time-expansion

$$x_{(k)}[n] := \begin{cases} x[n/k], & \text{if } n \text{ is multiple of } k \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$x_{(k)}[n] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} X(z^k), \quad \text{ROC: } R^{1/k}$$

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned} X_{(k)}(z) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x_{(k)}[n] z^{-n} \\ &= \sum_{n=km, m=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n/k] z^{-n} \\ &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x[m] (z^k)^{-m} = X(z^k) \end{aligned}$$

# Properties of ZT

## 6. Conjugation

$$x^*[n] \xleftrightarrow{Z} X^*(z^*), \quad \text{ROC: } R$$

Especially, when  $x[n]$  is real, we have  $X(z) = X^*(z^*)$ .

**Example:** Consider the zero-pole plot of  $x[n] = (\frac{1}{3})^n \sin(4\pi n)u[n]$ .

$$X(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{s\sqrt{2}}z}{(z - \frac{1}{3}e^{j\frac{\pi}{4}})(z - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\frac{\pi}{4}})}$$

# Properties of ZT

## 7. Convolution

$$x_1[n] * x_2[n] \xleftrightarrow{Z} X_1(z) \cdot X_2(z), \quad \text{ROC at least } R_1 \cap R_2$$

**Example:** First-difference  $x[n] - x[n-1] = (\delta[n] - \delta[n-1]) * x[n]$

$$x[n] - x[n-1] \xleftrightarrow{Z} (1 - z^{-1}) \cdot X(z)$$

ROC contains intersection of  $R$  and  $|z| > 0$

**Example:** Accumulation/summation  $\sum_{k=-\infty}^n x[k] = u[n] * x[n]$

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^n x[k] \xleftrightarrow{Z} U(z) \cdot X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \cdot X(z)$$

ROC contains intersection of  $R$  and  $|z| > 1$

# Properties of ZT

## 8. Differentiation in the z-domain

$$nx[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} -z \frac{d}{dz} X(z), \quad \text{ROC: } R$$

**Example:** Derive the inverse z-transform of

$$X(z) = \frac{az^{-1}}{(1 - az^{-1})^2} \quad \text{ROC: } |z| > |a|$$

# Properties of ZT

## 9. Initial-Value Theorem

If  $x[n] = 0$ ,  $n < 0$ , then  $x[0] = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} X(z)$

**Proof:**

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n}$$

As  $z \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $z^{-n} \rightarrow 0$  for  $n > 0$ , whereas for  $n = 0$ ,  $z^{-n} = 1$ . □

**Remark:** For a causal sequence with finite  $x[0]$ ,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} X(z)$  is finite. It can be used to check whether your Unilateral ZT or Inverse Unilateral ZT is correct.

# Unilateral ZT

ROC for a unilateral ZT must be a exterior of a circle. Hence, ROC is usually omitted.

$$UZT\{x[n]\} = ZT\{x[n]u[n]\}$$

Example:  $x[n] = a^{n+1}u[n+1]$

ZT:  $X(z) =$

UZT:  $X(z) =$



# Unilateral ZT

$$X(z) = \frac{3 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}$$

Note: inverse UZT provides information about  $x[n]$  only for  $n \geq 0$

# Properties of Unilateral ZT

Table 10.3

| Property  | Signal                 | Unilateral ZT              |
|---|------------------------|----------------------------|
|   | $x[n], x_1[n], x_2[n]$ | $X(z), X_1(z), X_2(z)$     |
| Linearity   | $ax_1[n] + bx_2[n]$    | $aX_1(z) + bX_2(z)$        |
| Time delay  | $x[n-1]$               | $z^{-1}X(z) + x[-1]$       |
| Time advance                                      | $x[n+1]$               | $zX(z) - zx[0]$            |
| z scaling   | $z_0^n x[n]$           | $X(\frac{z}{z_0})$         |
|   | $e^{j\omega_0 n} x[n]$ | $X(e^{-j\omega_0} z)$      |
|   | $r_0^n x[n]$           | $X(r_0^{-1} z)$            |
| Time expansion                                    | $x_k[n]$               | $X(z^k)$                   |
| Conjugation                                       | $x^*[n]$               | $X^*(z^*)$                 |
| Convolution ( $x_1[n] = x_2[n] = 0$ for $n < 0$ ) | $x_1[n] * x_2[n]$      | $X_1(z) \cdot X_2(z)$      |
| First difference                                  | $x[n] - x[n-1]$        | $(1 - z^{-1})X(z) - x[-1]$ |
| Accumulation                                      | $\sum_{k=0}^n x[k]$    | $\frac{1}{1-z^{-1}}X(z)$   |
| Differentiation in z                              | $nx[n]$                | $-z \frac{dX(z)}{dz}$      |

Initial-Value Theorem

$$x[0] = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} X(z)$$

# Properties of Unilateral ZT

$$x[n-1] \longleftrightarrow z^{-1}X(z) + x[-1]$$

$$x[n-2] \longleftrightarrow z^{-2}X(z) + x[-2] + x[-1]z^{-1}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$x[n-m] \longleftrightarrow z^{-m} \left[ X(z) + \sum_{k=-m}^{-1} x[k]z^{-k} \right] = z^{-m}X(z) + \sum_{k=-m}^{-1} x[k]z^{-m-k}$$

# Properties of Unilateral ZT

$$x[n+1] \longleftrightarrow zX(z) - zx[0]$$

$$x[n+m] \longleftrightarrow z^m \left[ X(z) - \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} x[k]z^{-k} \right]$$

## Some Common ZT Pairs

- Right-sided signal, ROC is  $|z| > a$   
e.g.  $x[n] = u[n]$
- Left-sided signal, ROC is  $|z| < b$   
e.g.  $x[n] = u[-n - 1]$

# Some Common ZT Pairs

Table 10.2

| signal             | z-transform           | ROC   |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|
| (1) $\delta[n]$    | 1                     | all $z$   |
| (2) $u[n]$         | $\frac{1}{1-z^{-1}}$  | $ z  > 1$   |
| (3) $-u[-n-1]$     | $\frac{1}{1-z^{-1}}$  | $ z  < 1$   |
| (4) $\delta[n-m]$  | $z^{-m}$              | $z \neq 0$ (for $m > 0$ )<br>$z \neq \infty$ (for $m < 0$ ) |
| (5) $a^n u[n]$     | $\frac{1}{1-az^{-1}}$ | $ z  >  a $   |
| (6) $-a^n u[-n-1]$ | $\frac{1}{1-az^{-1}}$ | $ z  <  a $   |

# Some Common ZT Pairs

| signal                                 | z-transform  | ROC         |
|--|--|-------------|
| (7) $na^n u[n]$                        | $\frac{az^{-1}}{(1-az^{-1})^2}$                                      | $ z  >  a $ |
| (8) $-na^n u[-n-1]$                    | $\frac{az^{-1}}{(1-az^{-1})^2}$                                      | $ z  <  a $ |
| (9) $\cos(\omega_0 n) \cdot u[n]$      | $\frac{1-\cos(\omega_0)z^{-1}}{1-2\cos(\omega_0)z^{-1}+z^{-2}}$      | $ z  > 1$   |
| (10) $\sin(\omega_0 n) \cdot u[n]$     | $\frac{\sin(\omega_0)z^{-1}}{1-2\cos(\omega_0)z^{-1}+z^{-2}}$        | $ z  > 1$   |
| (11) $r^n \cos(\omega_0 n) \cdot u[n]$ | $\frac{1-r\cos(\omega_0)z^{-1}}{1-2r\cos(\omega_0)z^{-1}+r^2z^{-2}}$ | $ z  > r$   |
| (12) $r^n \sin(\omega_0 n) \cdot u[n]$ | $\frac{r\sin(\omega_0)z^{-1}}{1-2r\cos(\omega_0)z^{-1}+r^2z^{-2}}$   | $ z  > r$   |

# LTI System and System Function

LTI system with  $h[n]$ , the input & output are related by

$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n]$$
$$Y(z) = H(z)X(z)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)}$$

$H(z)$  is called the **system function** or **transfer function** of the system

Note:

- (1) Eigen-function  $x[n] = z^n \rightarrow y[n] = H(z)z^n$
- (2)  $H(e^{j\omega}) = H(z)|_{z=e^{j\omega}}$  **frequency response** of the system



# LTI System and System Function

## Causality:

LTI system with  $h[n]$ : Causal  $\iff h[n] = 0, \forall n < 0$

$$\implies h[n] \text{ is right-sided and } H(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h[n]z^{-n}$$

**LTI system with  $H(z)$ : Causal  $\implies$  ROC is the exterior of a circle**

**LTI system with  $H(z)$ : Causal  $\iff$  ROC is the exterior of a circle, including  $\infty$**

**LTI system with Rational  $H(z)$ : Causal  $\iff$  (a) ROC is the exterior of a circle outside the outermost pole & (b) the order of numerator  $\leq$  the order of denominator in  $H(z)$  expressed as a ratio of polynomials in  $z$ .**

Similar results follow for anticausal systems.

# Example

## Example 1:

$$H(z) = \frac{z^3 - 2z^2 + z}{z^2 + \frac{1}{4}z + \frac{1}{8}}, \quad \rightarrow \text{non-causal}$$

## Example 2:

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > 2, \quad \rightarrow \text{causal}$$

$$h[n] = \left[ \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^n + 2^n \right] u[n], \quad \rightarrow \text{causal}$$

# LTI System and System Function

## Stability:

LTI system with  $h[n]$ : Stable  $\iff h[n]$  absolutely summable, i.e.,  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| < \infty$   
 $\implies$  DTFT of  $h[n]$  exists

**LTI system with  $H(z)$ : Stable  $\iff$  ROC includes unit circle ( $|z| = r = 1$ )**

# LTI System and System Function

## Example:

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}}$$

(1) ROC:  $|z| > 2 \rightarrow$  causal, non-stable

$$h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + 2^n u[n]$$

(2) ROC:  $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2 \rightarrow$  non-causal, stable

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

(3) ROC:  $|z| < \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow$  non-causal, non-stable

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

# LTI System and System Function

Inference:

**LTI system with Rational  $H(z)$ : Causal + Stable  $\iff$  all poles are within the unit circle in the  $z$ -plane**

(all poles have magnitude smaller than 1)

## Example 10.27

System: LTI + Causal + Stable + Rational  $H(z)$ .

$H(z)$  contains a pole  $z = \frac{1}{2}$ , a zero somewhere on unit circle, other poles and zeros are unknown.

The followings are true, false, or insufficient to determine?

- (a)  $F\{(\frac{1}{2})^n h[n]\}$  converges
- (b)  $H(e^{j\omega}) = 0$  for some  $\omega$
- (c)  $h[n]$  has finite duration
- (d)  $h[n]$  is real
- (e)  $g[n] = n \cdot (h[n] * h[n])$  is the impulse response of a stable system

## Example 10.27

Answer:

(a)  $F\{(\frac{1}{2})^n h[n]\}$  converges?

$$F\{(\frac{1}{2})^n h[n]\} = \sum_n (\frac{1}{2})^n h[n] e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_n h[n] (2e^{j\omega})^{-n}$$

equivalent to ROC contains  $|z| = 2$ .

True since ROC contains the area exterior to the unit circle for LTI + stable + causal

## Example 10.27

- (b)  $H(e^{j\omega}) = 0$  for some  $\omega$ ?

True: Since there is a zero on unit circle, implies  $H(z) = 0$  for some  $z = e^{j\omega}$

- (c)  $h[n]$  has finite duration?

False. If true, ROC includes  $|z| \in (0, \infty)$ , whereas  $z = \frac{1}{2}$  is a pole.

- (d)  $h[n]$  is real?

If true,  $H(z) = H(z^*)^*$ . Information is not sufficient

- (e) system  $g[n] = n \cdot (h[n] * h[n])$  is stable?

$G(z) = -z \frac{d}{dz}(H(z) \cdot H(z))$ , ROC is at least  $R_H$  (actually equals, why?), includes unit circle, thus true



## Example

Consider an LTI system for which the input  $x[n]$  and output  $y[n]$  satisfy the linear constant-coefficient difference equation

$$y[n] - \frac{1}{2}y[n-1] = x[n] + \frac{1}{3}x[n-1]$$

# LTI System Characterized by LCC Difference Eqn

General form of an  $N$ th order difference equation:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{k=0}^N a_k y[n-k] &= \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x[n-k] \\ \xleftrightarrow{z} \sum_{k=0}^N a_k z^{-k} Y(z) &= \sum_{k=0}^M b_k z^{-k} X(z) \\ \implies H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} &= \frac{\sum_{k=0}^M b_k z^{-k}}{\sum_{k=0}^N a_k z^{-k}}\end{aligned}$$

Note:

- (1)  $H(z)$  is rational for a system by LCC difference equation
- (2) Only  $H(z)$  is not enough to find  $h[n]$ . Need extra information (like causality, stability) to find ROC and then  $h[n]$

# Example

Given

(1) input  $x_1[n] = (\frac{1}{6})^n u[n]$ , and output:

$$y_1[n] = \left[ a\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n + 10\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n \right] u[n]$$

(2) input  $x_2[n] = (-1)^n$ , and output

$$y_2[n] = \frac{7}{4}(-1)^n$$

Q: Find the system function  $H(z)$ , system properties, and the LCC difference equation

# Example

Answer:

From (1),  $X_1(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{6}$

$$Y_1(z) = \frac{a}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{10}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} = \frac{(a + 10) - (5 + \frac{a}{3})z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}, \quad |z| > 1/2$$

then

$$H(z) = \frac{Y_1(z)}{X_1(z)}$$

From (2),

$$\begin{aligned} H(-1) &= \frac{7}{4} = \frac{Y_1(-1)}{X_1(-1)} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{7}{4} &= H(-1) = \frac{(a + 10 + 5 + \frac{a}{3}) \cdot \frac{7}{6}}{\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{3}} \\ \Rightarrow a &= -9 \end{aligned}$$

## Example

$$\Rightarrow H(z) = \frac{Y_1(z)}{X_1(z)} = \frac{(1 - 2z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} = \frac{1 - \frac{13}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}}{1 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}} = \frac{z^2 - \frac{13}{6}z + \frac{1}{3}}{z^2 - \frac{5}{6}z + \frac{1}{6}}$$

Possible ROCs for  $H(z)$ :  $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3} < |z| < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$

Since ROC of  $Y_1(z)$  includes ROC of  $X_1(z) \cap H(z)$ ,

$\Rightarrow$  ROC of  $H(z)$  is  $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$

$\Rightarrow$  the system is stable (includes  $|z| = 1$ ) and casual (rational and exterior to the outermost pole & order of numerator  $\leq$  the order of denominator in  $H(z)$ )

The system can be characterized by:

$$y[n] - \frac{5}{6}y[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}y[n-2] = x[n] - \frac{13}{6}x[n-1] + \frac{1}{3}x[n-2]$$

## LTI System Characterized by LCC Difference Eqn

Suppose a causal LTI system is described by the LCC difference equation

$$y[n] + 3y[n-1] = x[n]$$

together with the condition of initial rest.

Let the input to this system be  $x(t) = \alpha u[n]$ . Derive the output  $y[n]$ .

## LTI System Characterized by LCC Difference Eqn

Suppose a LTI system is described by the LCC difference equation

$$y[n] + 3y[n-1] = x[n]$$

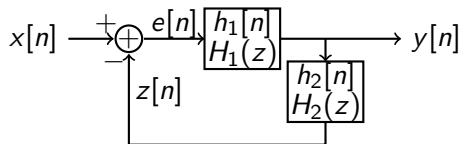
together with the initial condition  $y[-1] = \beta$ .

Let the input to this system be  $x(t) = \alpha u[n]$ . Derive the output  $y[n]$ .

# System Functions and Block Diagram Representations

System functions for interconnections of LTI systems

- series interconnection  $H(z) = H_1(z)H_2(z)$
- parallel interconnection  $H(z) = H_1(z) + H_2(z)$
- feedback interconnection



$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{H_1(z)}{1 + H_1(z)H_2(z)}$$

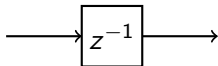


# System Functions and Block Diagram Representations

Block diagram for LTI characterized by LCC Difference Eqn

Three basic operations:

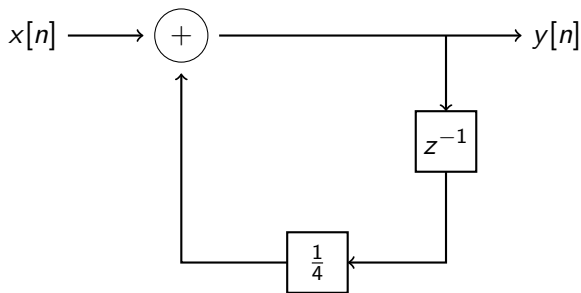
- addition
- multiplication by a coefficient
- unit delay (time-shifting  $x[n] \rightarrow x[n - 1]$ )



# Example

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}}$$

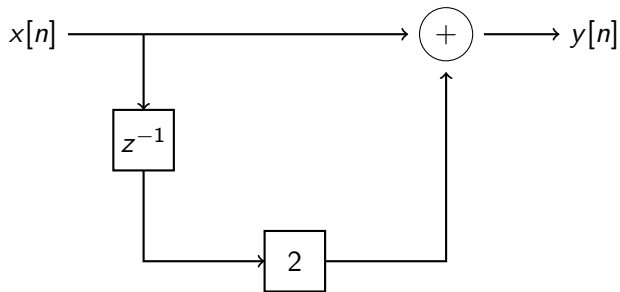
$$y[n] - \frac{1}{4}y[n-1] = x[n]$$



# Example

$$H(z) = 1 + 2z^{-1}$$

$$y[n] = x[n] + 2x[n-1]$$



## Example

$$H(z) = \frac{1 + 2z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}}$$

$$y[n] - \frac{1}{4}y[n-1] = x[n] + 2x[n-1]$$

# Example

Consider the second-order system

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{3}{4}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{8}z^{-2}}$$

$$y[n] - \frac{3}{4}y[n-1] + \frac{1}{8}y[n-2] = x[n]$$

direct form

parallel form

series form

## Example

Consider the second-order system

$$H(z) = \frac{1 - \frac{7}{4}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{2}z^{-2}}{1 - \frac{3}{4}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{8}z^{-2}}$$

$$y[n] - \frac{3}{4}y[n-1] + \frac{1}{8}y[n-2] = x[n] - \frac{7}{4}x[n-1] - \frac{1}{2}x[n-2]$$

# Summary

- ZT and inverse ZT (using partial fraction expansion)
- ROC
- properties of ZT:  
linearity, time shifting, scaling in the  $z$ -domain, time reverse and expansion, conjugation, convolution, differentiation in  $z$ -domain, the initial-value theorem.
- common ZT pairs
- analysis and characterization of LTI system using ZT:  
causality, stability, LTI system characterized by LCC difference equations (to find  $h[n]$  or  $H(z)$ )
- system function algebra and block diagram representations:  
system interconnections, block diagrams for LTI described by LCC difference equations