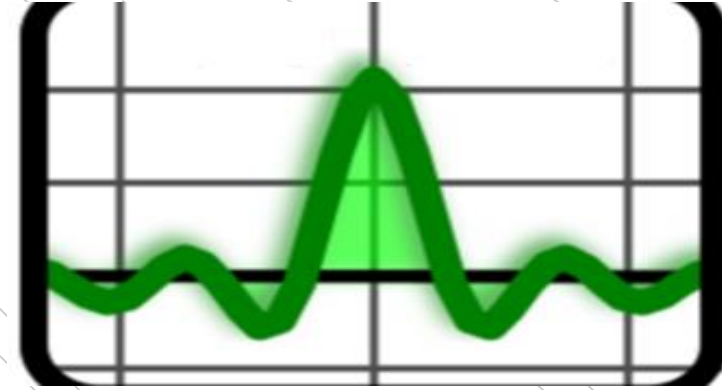


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Z-Transform Applications in Discrete Time LTI Systems

- Z-transform is the discrete-time counterpart of the Laplace transform $z = e^{Ts}$
- The Laplace transform converts integrodifferential equations into algebraic equations. In a similar manner, the z-transform converts difference equations into algebraic equations, thereby simplifying the analysis of discrete-time systems.

Discrete-time LTI system with impulse response $h[n]$, the output $y[n]$ of the system to the complex exponential input of the form z^n is

$$y[n] = \mathbf{T}\{z^n\} = H(z)z^n$$

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

discrete-time signal $x[n]$, the z-transform $X(z)$ is defined as

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

z is generally complex-valued and is expressed in polar form as $z = re^{j\Omega}$, r is the magnitude of z and Ω is the angle of z

if $x[n] = 0$ for $n < 0$ then unilateral Z transform can be stated as $X_1(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x[n] z^{-n}$

Region of convergence (ROC):

Find the z transform and the ROC of the signal sequence $x[n]=a^n u[n]$ where a is a real number

By the definition,

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a^n u[n] z^{-n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (az^{-1})^n$$

To satisfy ROC,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |az^{-1}|^n < \infty$$

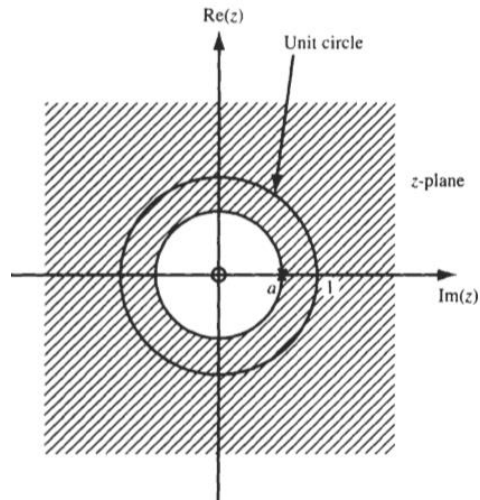
$$X(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (az^{-1})^n = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \quad |z| > |a|$$

$$X(z) = \frac{z}{z - a} \quad |z| > |a|$$

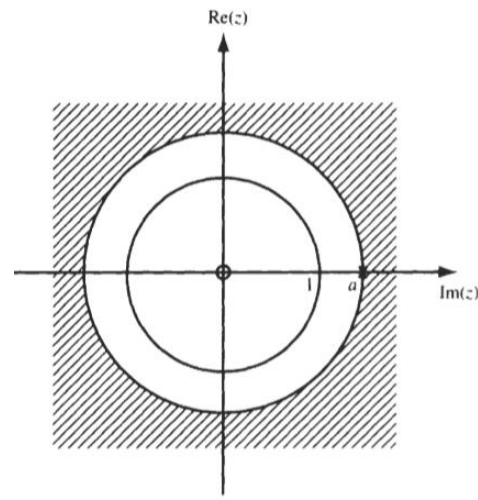
$$X(z) = \frac{z}{z - a}$$

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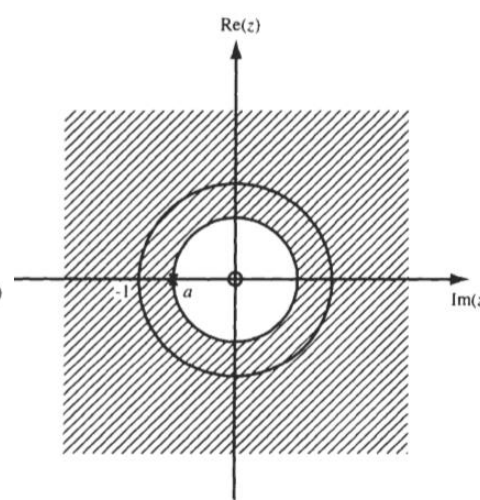
→ ROC:



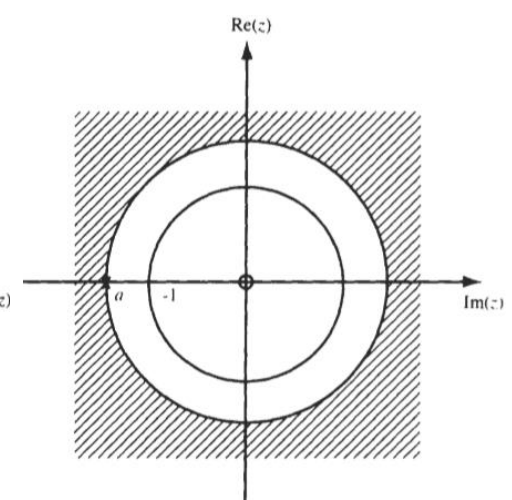
$$0 < a < 1$$



$$1 < a$$



$$-1 < a < 0$$



$$a < -1$$

Example:

Find the Z transform and ROC of the signal sequence $x[n]$ defined as $x[n] = \{5, 3, -2, 0, 4, -3\}$

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} = \sum_{n=-2}^3 x[n]z^{-n} = x[-2]z^2 + x[-1]z + x[0] + x[1]z^{-1} + x[2]z^{-2} + x[3]z^{-3}$$

$$X(z) = 5z^2 + 3z - 2 + 4z^{-2} - 3z^{-3}$$

Every term in $X(z)$ will be finite and consequently $X(z)$ will converge for the z not equal to zero or infinity

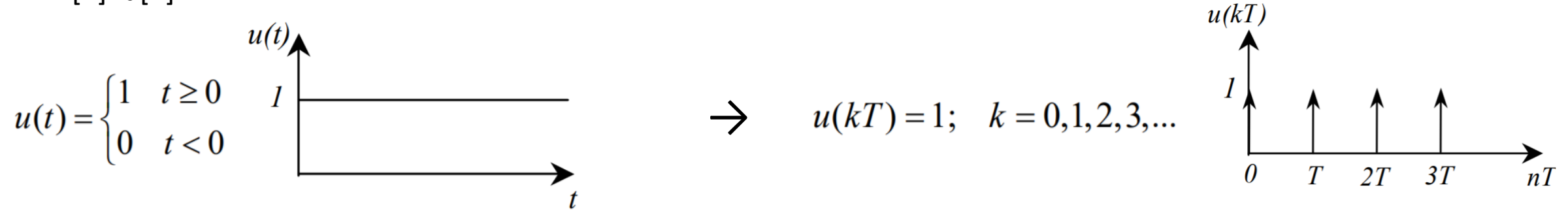
ROC of $X(z)$ is $0 < |z| < \infty$

z-TRANSFORM OF SOME COMMON SEQUENCES

$$x[n] = \delta[n]$$

$$\rightarrow X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[n] z^{-n} = z^{-0} = 1 \quad \text{all } z$$

$$x[n] = u[n]$$



$$X(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{z^2} + \dots \quad \rightarrow \quad u[n] \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} = \frac{z}{z - 1} \quad |z| > 1$$

$$x(t) = e^{-at} \quad t \geq 0$$

If $x(t)$ is sampled at $T=1/f$

$$X(z) = 1 + \frac{e^{-aT}}{z} + \frac{e^{-a2T}}{z^2} + \dots$$


$$X(z) = 1 + \frac{e^{-aT}}{z} + \left(\frac{e^{-aT}}{z}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{e^{-aT}}{z}\right)^3 + \dots = \frac{z}{z - e^{-aT}} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{L}[e^{-at}] = \frac{1}{s + a}$$

Example:

Find the Z transform of $x[n] = -a^n u[-n-1]$

$$X(z) = - \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a^n u[-n-1] z^{-n} = - \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} a^n z^{-n}$$

$$= - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a^{-1}z)^n = 1 - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a^{-1}z)^n$$


$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a^{-1}z)^n = \frac{1}{1 - a^{-1}z} \quad \text{if } |a^{-1}z| < 1 \text{ or } |z| < |a|$$

Hence,

$$X(z) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 - a^{-1}z} = \frac{-a^{-1}z}{1 - a^{-1}z} = \frac{z}{z - a} = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} \quad \text{for } |z| < |a|$$

Z Transform of Finite Sequence

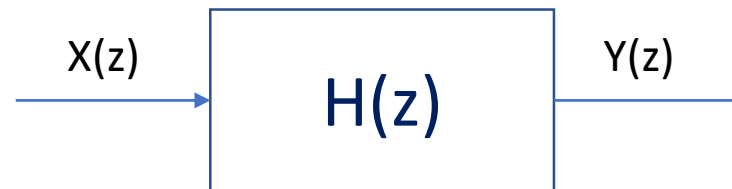
consider the sequence of sampled numbers, $x[k]$

$$x[k] = \{1, -2, 4, 5, 3, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, \dots\}$$



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

$$X(z) = 1 - 2z^{-1} + 4z^{-2} + 5z^{-3} - z^{-4}$$



If the system transfer function $H(z)$ is known then the output signal can be found via inverse transform of $Y(z)$ where $Y(z) = X(z) \cdot H(z)$

Properties of the Z Transform

Property	Sequence	Transform	ROC
	$x[n]$	$X(z)$	R
	$x_1[n]$	$X_1(z)$	R_1
	$x_2[n]$	$X_2(z)$	R_2
Linearity	$a_1 x_1[n] + a_2 x_2[n]$	$a_1 X_1(z) + a_2 X_2(z)$	$R' \supset R_1 \cap R_2$
Time shifting	$x[n - n_0]$	$z^{-n_0} X(z)$	$R' \supset R \cap \{0 < z < \infty\}$
Multiplication by z_0^n	$z_0^n x[n]$	$X\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right)$	$R' = z_0 R$
Multiplication by $e^{j\Omega_0 n}$	$e^{j\Omega_0 n} x[n]$	$X(e^{-j\Omega_0} z)$	$R' = R$
Time reversal	$x[-n]$	$X\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$	$R' = \frac{1}{R}$
Multiplication by n	$nx[n]$	$-z \frac{dX(z)}{dz}$	$R' = R$
Accumulation	$\sum_{k=-\infty}^n x[k]$	$\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} X(z)$	$R' \supset R \cap \{ z > 1\}$
Convolution	$x_1[n] * x_2[n]$	$X_1(z) X_2(z)$	$R' \supset R_1 \cap R_2$

Common Z Transform Pairs

$x[n]$	$X(z)$	ROC
$\delta[n]$	1	All z
$u[n]$	$\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}}, \frac{z}{z - 1}$	$ z > 1$
$-u[-n - 1]$	$\frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}}, \frac{z}{z - 1}$	$ z < 1$
$\delta[n - m]$	z^{-m}	All z except 0 if $(m > 0)$ or ∞ if $(m < 0)$
$a^n u[n]$	$\frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}, \frac{z}{z - a}$	$ z > a $
$-a^n u[-n - 1]$	$\frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}, \frac{z}{z - a}$	$ z < a $
$na^n u[n]$	$\frac{az^{-1}}{(1 - az^{-1})^2}, \frac{az}{(z - a)^2}$	$ z > a $
$-na^n u[-n - 1]$	$\frac{az^{-1}}{(1 - az^{-1})^2}, \frac{az}{(z - a)^2}$	$ z < a $
$(n + 1)a^n u[n]$	$\frac{1}{(1 - az^{-1})^2}, \left[\frac{z}{z - a} \right]^2$	$ z > a $
$(\cos \Omega_0 n)u[n]$	$\frac{z^2 - (\cos \Omega_0)z}{z^2 - (2 \cos \Omega_0)z + 1}$	$ z > 1$
$(\sin \Omega_0 n)u[n]$	$\frac{(\sin \Omega_0)z}{z^2 - (2 \cos \Omega_0)z + 1}$	$ z > 1$
$(r^n \cos \Omega_0 n)u[n]$	$\frac{z^2 - (r \cos \Omega_0)z}{z^2 - (2r \cos \Omega_0)z + r^2}$	$ z > r$
$(r^n \sin \Omega_0 n)u[n]$	$\frac{(r \sin \Omega_0)z}{z^2 - (2r \cos \Omega_0)z + r^2}$	$ z > r$
$\begin{cases} a^n & 0 \leq n \leq N - 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	$\frac{1 - a^N z^{-N}}{1 - az^{-1}}$	$ z > 0$

Inverse Z-Transform

Finding the sequence $x[n]$ from its z-transform $X(z)$ is called the inverse z-transform, symbolically denoted as

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

Method 1: Inversion Formula

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_C X(z) z^{n-1} dz$$

where C is a counterclockwise contour of integration enclosing the origin

Method 2: Use of Tables of z-Transform Pairs:

$X(z)$ is expressed as a sum $X(z) = X_1(z) + \cdots + X_n(z)$

$$x[n] = x_1[n] + \cdots + x_n[n]$$

where $X_1(z)$, $X_2(z)$, \dots , $X_n(z)$ are functions with known inverse transforms $x_1[n]$, $x_2[n]$, ..., $x_n[n]$

Method 3: Power Series Expansion:

$$X[z] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] z^{-n} = \cdots + x[-2] z^2 + x[-1] z + x[0] + x[1] z^{-1} + x[2] z^{-2} + \cdots$$

This method is useful for a finite-length sequence where $X(z)$ may have no simpler form than a polynomial in z^{-1}

Method 4: Partial-Fraction Expansion:

Partial-fraction expansion method provides inverse z-transform, especially when $X(z)$ is a rational function of z .

$$X(z) = \frac{N(z)}{D(z)} = k \frac{(z - z_1) \cdots (z - z_m)}{(z - p_1) \cdots (z - p_n)}$$

$$\frac{X(z)}{z} = \frac{c_0}{z} + \frac{c_1}{z - p_1} + \frac{c_2}{z - p_2} + \cdots + \frac{c_n}{z - p_n} = \frac{c_0}{z} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{c_k}{z - p_k}$$

where $c_0 = X(z)|_{z=0}$ $c_k = (z - p_k) \frac{X(z)}{z} \Big|_{z=p_k}$

$$X(z) = c_0 + c_1 \frac{z}{z - p_1} + \cdots + c_n \frac{z}{z - p_n} = c_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n c_k \frac{z}{z - p_k}$$

Hence we can inverse transform from each term separately by using the table

If $m > n$ then a polynomial of z must be added to the right-hand side of the equation so that for $m > n$, the complete partial-fraction expansion would have the form

$$X(z) = \sum_{q=0}^{m-n} b_q z^q + \sum_{k=1}^n c_k \frac{z}{z - p_k}$$

If $X(z)$ has multiple-order poles

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{z - p_i} + \frac{\lambda_2}{(z - p_i)^2} + \cdots + \frac{\lambda_r}{(z - p_i)^r}$$

where p_i is the multiple pole with multiplicity r . The expansion of $X(z)/z$ will consist of terms of the form

$$\lambda_{r-k} = \frac{1}{k!} \frac{d^k}{dz^k} \left[(z - p_i)^r \frac{X(z)}{z} \right] \Bigg|_{z=p_i}$$

Example: Find the inverse z-transform of the following $X(z)$ by using the power series expansion method

$$X(z) = \frac{z}{2z^2 - 3z + 1} \quad |z| > 1$$

ROC is $|z| > 1$ and $x[n]$ is a right-sided sequence. Therefore, we must divide so as to obtain a series in power of z^{-1} as follows

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \frac{1}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{3}{4}z^{-2} + \frac{7}{8}z^{-3} + \dots \\
 2z^2 - 3z + 1 \overline{) \begin{array}{l} z \\ z - \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1} \\ \hline \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1} \\ \frac{3}{2} - \frac{9}{4}z^{-1} + \frac{3}{4}z^{-2} \\ \hline \frac{7}{4}z^{-1} - \frac{3}{4}z^{-2} \\ \vdots \end{array}}
 \end{array}$$

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

$$x[n] = \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8}, \dots \right\}$$

Example:

Find the inverse Z transform of

$$F(z) = \frac{2z^2 + z}{z^2 - 1.5z + 0.5}$$

by using the table and power series methods

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F(z)}{z} &= \frac{2z + 1}{z^2 - 1.5z + 0.5} = \frac{2z + 1}{(z - 1)(z - 0.5)} = \frac{A}{z - 1} + \frac{B}{z - 0.5} \\ &= \frac{6}{z - 1} + \frac{-4}{z - 0.5} = 6 \frac{z}{z - 1} - 4 \frac{z}{z - 0.5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f[k] &= 6u[k] - 4 \cdot 0.5^k \\ f &= \{2, 4, 5, 5.5, \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \frac{2 + 4z^{-1} + 5z^{-2} + \dots}{z^2 - 1.5z + 0.5} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2z^2 + z \\ 2z^2 - 3z + 1 \\ \hline 4z - 1 \\ 4z - 6 + 2z^{-1} \\ \hline 5 - 2z^{-1} \\ 5 - 7.5z^{-1} + 2.5z^{-2} \\ \hline \vdots \end{array} \right. \longrightarrow F(z) = 2 + 4z^{-1} + 5z^{-2} + \dots \\ f[k] = \{2, 4, 5, \dots\} \end{array}$$

Verify results in previous example by using Scipy library in Python:

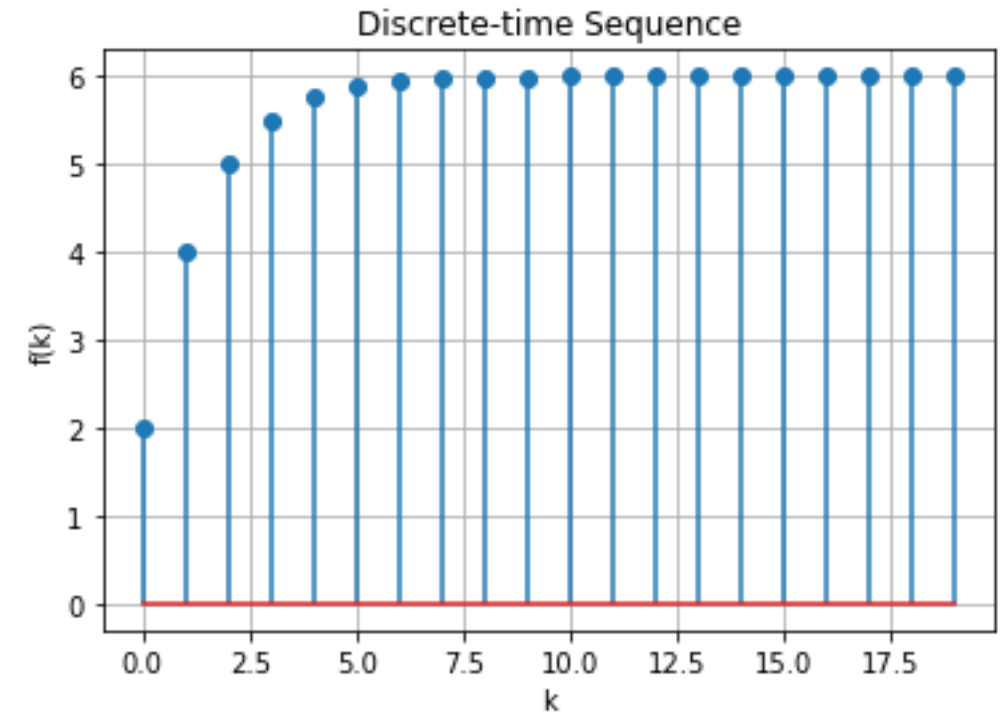
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import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy import signal

# Define the numerator and denominator coefficients of the transfer
function F(z)
numerator = [2, 1, 0] # Coefficients of z^2 + z
denominator = [1, -1.5, 0.5] # Coefficients of z^2 - 1.5z + 0.5

# Compute the inverse Z-transform
_, f = signal.dimpulse((numerator, denominator, 1), n=20)
f = np.squeeze(f) # Remove unnecessary dimensions

# Extract time indices
k = np.arange(len(f))

# Plot the discrete-time sequence
plt.stem(k, f)
plt.xlabel('k')
plt.ylabel('f(k)')
plt.title('Discrete-time Sequence')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
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$$f[k] = \{2, 4, 5, \dots\} \checkmark \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad F(z) = \frac{2z^2 + z}{z^2 - 1.5z + 0.5}$$

Example:

Find the inverse z transform of $X(z) = \frac{z}{2z^2 - 3z + 1} \quad |z| > 1$

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

By using the partial fraction expansion method: $\frac{X(z)}{z} = \frac{1}{2z^2 - 3z + 1} = \frac{1}{2(z - 1)(z - \frac{1}{2})} = \frac{c_1}{z - 1} + \frac{c_2}{z - \frac{1}{2}}$

$$c_1 = \frac{1}{2(z - \frac{1}{2})} \Big|_{z=1} = 1 \quad c_2 = \frac{1}{2(z - 1)} \Big|_{z=1/2} = -1$$

$$X(z) = \frac{z}{z - 1} - \frac{z}{z - \frac{1}{2}} \quad |z| > 1$$

Since the ROC of $X(z)$ is $|z| > 1$, $x[n]$ is a right-sided sequence: $x[n] = u[n] - (\frac{1}{2})^n u[n] = [1 - (\frac{1}{2})^n] u[n]$

$$x[n] = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8}, \dots\}$$

Example:

Find the inverse z transform of $X(z) = \frac{z}{z(z-1)(z-2)^2} \quad |z| > 2$

By using the partial fraction expansion method:

$$\frac{X(z)}{z} = \frac{1}{(z-1)(z-2)^2} = \frac{c_1}{z-1} + \frac{\lambda_1}{z-2} + \frac{\lambda_2}{(z-2)^2}$$

where $c_1 = \frac{1}{(z-2)^2} \Big|_{z=1} = 1$ $\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{z-1} \Big|_{z=2} = 1$

$$\frac{1}{(z-1)(z-2)^2} = \frac{1}{z-1} + \frac{\lambda_1}{z-2} + \frac{1}{(z-2)^2}$$

By setting $z=0$ we get $-\frac{1}{4} = -1 - \frac{\lambda_1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow \lambda_1 = -1$

$$X(z) = \frac{z}{z-1} - \frac{z}{z-2} + \frac{z}{(z-2)^2} \quad |z| > 2$$

Since the ROC of $X(z)$ is $|z| > 2$, $x[n]$ is a right-sided sequence: $x[n] = (1 - 2^n + n2^{n-1})u[n]$

Convolution with z-transform

Z Transform has the convolution property in the same way as it was for the Laplace Transform. Convolution of two signal sequences $x[k]$ and $h[k]$ can be stated as $y[k]$ where,

$$y[k] = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} x[\ell] h[k - \ell]$$

$$= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} h[\ell] x[k - \ell]$$

$$= x[k] * h[k] \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad Y(z) = X(z)H(z)$$

Example:Calculate the convolution $y[n]$ of the sequences

$$\begin{aligned} v[n] &= \{v_n\} = \{a^n\} \\ w[n] &= \{w_n\} = \{b^n\} \end{aligned}$$

 $a \neq b$

$$y_n = \sum_{k=0}^n v_k w_{n-k} = \sum_{k=0}^n a^k b^{n-k} = b^n \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^k = b^n \left(1 + \left(\frac{a}{b}\right) + \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n\right)$$

The bracketed sum involves $n + 1$ terms of a geometric series of common ratio $\frac{a}{b} \Rightarrow y_n = b^n \frac{\left(1 - \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{n+1}\right)}{1 - \frac{a}{b}}$

Z transforms of $v[n]$ and $w[n]$ are:

$$V(z) = \frac{z}{z - a} \qquad W(z) = \frac{z}{z - b}$$

$$y_n = \mathbb{Z}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{z^2}{(z - a)(z - b)} \right\} = \frac{b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}}{(b - a)} \quad \text{using partial fractions or residues}$$

Example:

A discrete time signal sequence is given as $x[n]=2^n$ ($n>0$). Find the convolution $y[n]=x[n]*x[n]$

a) by using the definition of the convolution

b) by using the Z transform

$$\text{a) } x[n]=\{1,2,4,8,\dots\} \quad y[n]=\{2^n\} * \{2^n\} = \sum_{k=0}^n 2^k 2^{n-k} = 2^n \sum_{k=0}^n 1 = (n+1)2^n$$

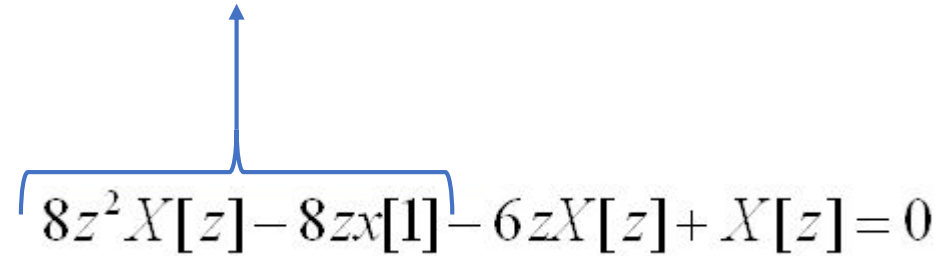
$$\text{b) } \mathcal{Z} \text{ transform of } x[n]: \quad X(z)=\mathcal{Z}\{2^n\} = \frac{z}{z-2} \quad \rightarrow y[n]=\mathcal{Z}^{-1}\left\{\frac{z^2}{(z-2)^2}\right\}$$

$Y(z)$ has a second order pole at $z=2$. If we use the residue method then we get,

$$y[n]= \text{Res} \left(\frac{z^{n+1}}{(z-2)^2}, 2 \right) = \left[\frac{d}{dz} z^{n+1} \right]_2 = (n+1)2^n$$

Example: Z transform can also be used for solving the difference equations

For example, $8x[k+2] - 6x[k+1] + x[k] = 0$


$$8z^2X[z] - 8zx[1] - 6zX[z] + X[z] = 0$$

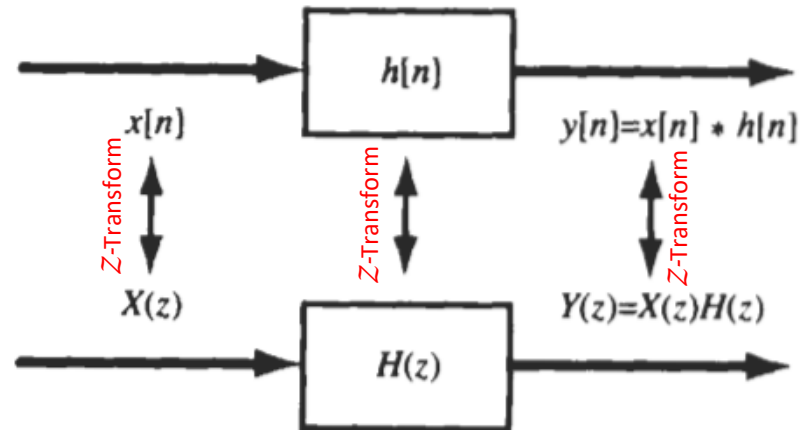
$$x[1] = 1, x[0] = 0$$

$$\frac{X[z]}{z} = \frac{8}{8z^2 - 6z + 1} = \frac{8}{2z - 1} - \frac{16}{4z - 1}$$

$$X[z] = \frac{4z}{z - \frac{1}{2}} - \frac{4z}{z - \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$x[k] = 4\left\{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^k\right\}$$

TRANSFER FUNCTION OF DISCRETE-TIME LTI SYSTEMS



Output $y[n]$ of a discrete-time LTI system equals the convolution of the input $x[n]$ with the impulse response $h[n]$

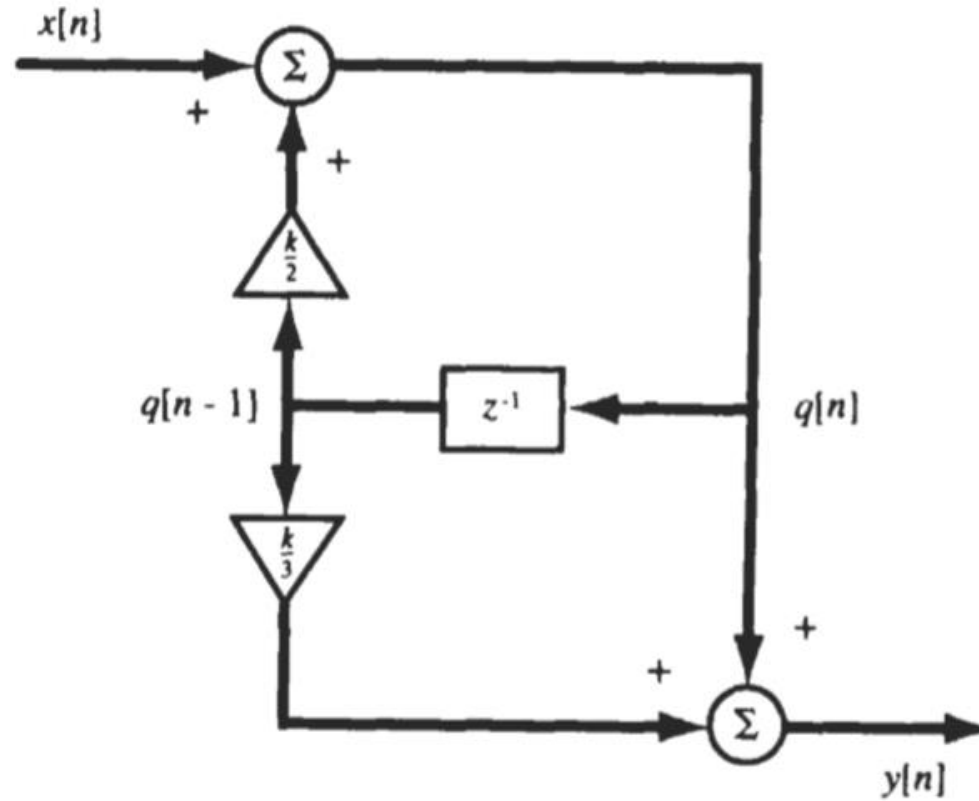
$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$$

$$Y(z) = X(z)H(z)$$

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

Example:

Find the k values that makes the system shown in the figure BIBO stable.



$$q[n] = x[n] + \frac{k}{2}q[n-1]$$

$$y[n] = q[n] + \frac{k}{3}q[n-1]$$

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$$Q(z) = X(z) + \frac{k}{2}z^{-1}Q(z)$$

$$Y(z) = Q(z) + \frac{k}{3}z^{-1}Q(z)$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{k}{2}z^{-1}\right)Q(z) = X(z)$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{k}{3}z^{-1}\right)Q(z) = Y(z)$$

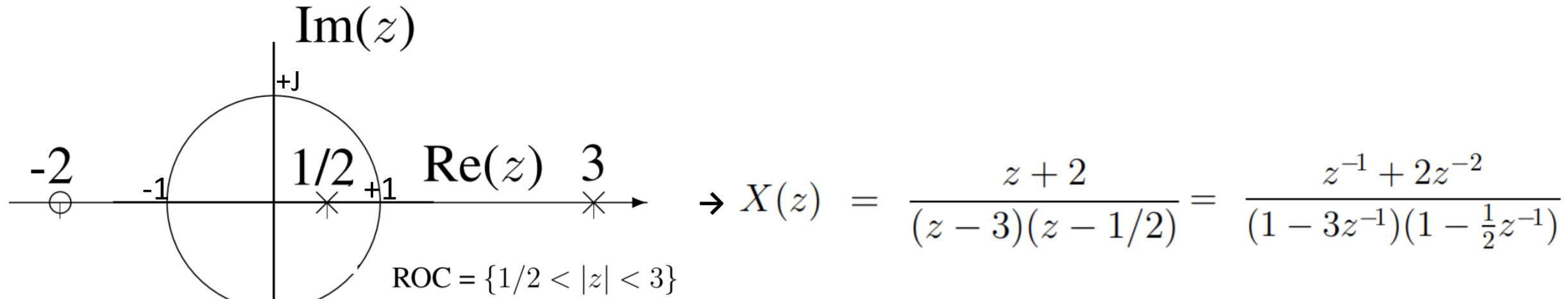
$$\begin{aligned} H(z) &= \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{1 + (k/3)z^{-1}}{1 - (k/2)z^{-1}} \\ &= \frac{z + k/3}{z - k/2} \quad |z| > \left|\frac{k}{2}\right| \end{aligned}$$

The system has one zero at $z = -k/3$ and one pole at $z = k/2 \rightarrow$ ROC is $|z| > |k/2|$

Therefore system will be BIBO stable if the ROC contains the unit circle, $|z| = 1 \rightarrow$ the system is stable only if $|k| < 2$

Example:

z-transform of the signal $X(z)$ has the pole-zero plot shown below. Find the DT signal $x[n]$



$$X(z) = \frac{4}{3} + \left[\frac{z^{-1} + 2z^{-2}}{1 - \frac{7}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{3}{2}z^{-2}} - \frac{2}{3/2} \right] = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{z^{-1} + 2z^{-2} - \frac{4}{3} \left[1 - \frac{7}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{3}{2}z^{-2} \right]}{1 - \frac{7}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{3}{2}z^{-2}}$$

$$X(z) = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{-\frac{4}{3} + \frac{17}{3}z^{-1}}{(1-3z^{-1})(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{r_1}{1-3z^{-1}} + \frac{r_2}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \quad (\text{Partial Fraction Expansion})$$

$$r_1 = \left. \frac{-\frac{4}{3} + \frac{17}{3}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \right|_{z=3} = \frac{2}{3} \quad r_2 = \left. \frac{-\frac{4}{3} + \frac{17}{3}z^{-1}}{1 - 3z^{-1}} \right|_{z=1/2} = -2 \rightarrow X(z) = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{1-3z^{-1}} + \frac{-2}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$$

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

anti-casual

Example

The convolution of $f_1(n) = \{2, 1, -3\}$ for $n = 0, 1$, and 2 , and $f_2(n) = \{1, 1, 1, 1\}$ for $n = 0, 1, 2$, and 3 is

$$G(z) = F_1(z) F_2(z) = (2 + z^{-1} - 3z^{-2})(1 + z^{-1} + z^{-2} + z^{-3}) = 2 + 3z^{-1} - 2z^{-4} - 3z^{-5}$$

which indicates that the output is $g(n) = \{2, 3, 0, 0, -2, -3\}$ which can easily be found by simply convoluting $f_1(n)$ and $f_2(n)$.