

# 22 The z-Transform

## Recommended Problems

### P22.1

An LTI system has an impulse response  $h[n]$  for which the  $z$ -transform is

$$H(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h[n]z^{-n} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

- (a) Plot the pole-zero pattern for  $H(z)$ .
- (b) Using the fact that signals of the form  $z^n$  are eigenfunctions of LTI systems, determine the system output for all  $n$  if the input  $x[n]$  is

$$x[n] = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n + 3(2)^n$$

### P22.2

Consider the sequence  $x[n] = 2^n u[n]$ .

- (a) Is  $x[n]$  absolutely summable?
- (b) Does the Fourier transform of  $x[n]$  converge?
- (c) For what range of values of  $r$  does the Fourier transform of the sequence  $r^{-n}x[n]$  converge?
- (d) Determine the  $z$ -transform  $X(z)$  of  $x[n]$ , including a specification of the ROC.
- (e)  $X(z)$  for  $z = 3e^{j\Omega}$  can be thought of as the Fourier transform of a sequence  $x_1[n]$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} 2^n u[n] &\xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} X(z), \\ x_1[n] &\xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} X(3e^{j\Omega}) = X_1(e^{j\Omega}) \end{aligned}$$

Determine  $x_1[n]$ .

### P22.3

Shown in Figure P22.3 is the pole-zero plot for the  $z$ -transform  $X(z)$  of a sequence  $x[n]$ .

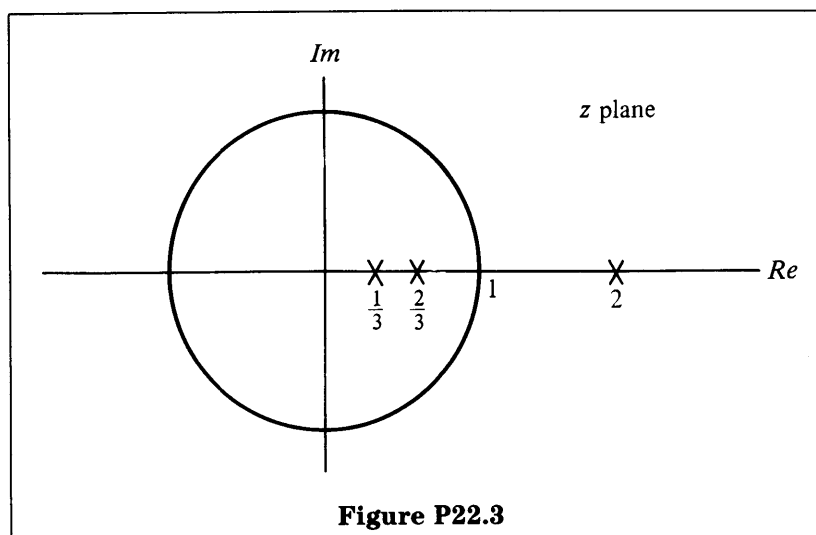


Figure P22.3

Determine what can be inferred about the associated region of convergence from each of the following statements.

- (a)  $x[n]$  is right-sided.
- (b) The Fourier transform of  $x[n]$  converges.
- (c) The Fourier transform of  $x[n]$  does not converge.
- (d)  $x[n]$  is left-sided.

**P22.4**

- (a) Determine the  $z$ -transforms of the following two signals. Note that the  $z$ -transforms for both have the same algebraic expression and differ only in the ROC.

(i)  $x_1[n] = (\frac{1}{2})^n u[n]$

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

- (b) Sketch the pole-zero plot and ROC for each signal in part (a).

- (c) Repeat parts (a) and (b) for the following two signals:

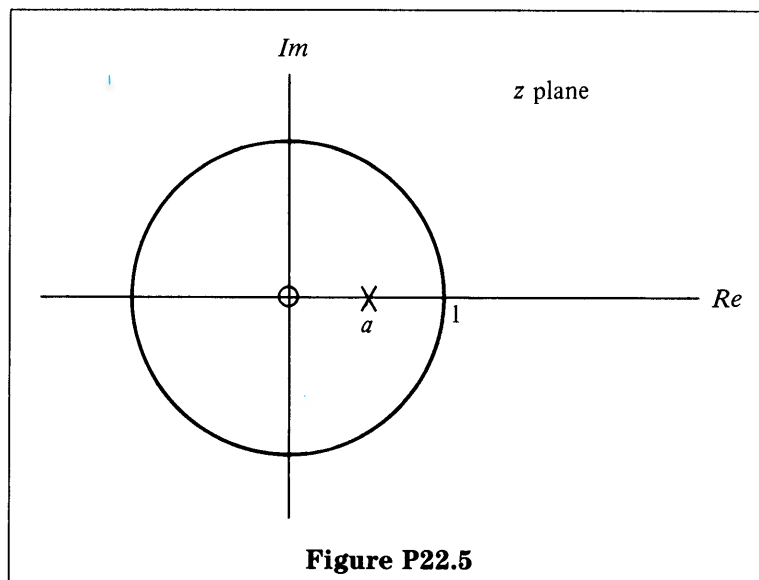
(i)  $x_3[n] = 2u[n]$

(ii)  $x_4[n] = -(2)^n u[-n - 1]$

- (d) For which of the four signals  $x_1[n]$ ,  $x_2[n]$ ,  $x_3[n]$ , and  $x_4[n]$  in parts (a) and (c) does the Fourier transform converge?

**P22.5**

Consider the pole-zero plot of  $H(z)$  given in Figure P22.5, where  $H(a/2) = 1$ .



**Figure P22.5**

- (a) Sketch  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$  as the number of zeros at  $z = 0$  increases from 1 to 5.
- (b) Does the number of zeros affect  $\angle H(e^{j\omega})$ ? If so, specifically in what way?
- (c) Find the region of the  $z$  plane where  $|H(z)| = 1$ .

**P22.6**

Determine the  $z$ -transform (including the ROC) of the following sequences. Also sketch the pole-zero plots and indicate the ROC on your sketch.

- (a)  $(\frac{1}{3})^n u[n]$   
(b)  $\delta[n + 1]$

**P22.7**

For each of the following  $z$ -transforms determine the inverse  $z$ -transform.

- (a)  $X(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$   
(b)  $X(z) = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-2}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$   
(c)  $X(z) = \frac{1 - az^{-1}}{z^{-1} - a}, \quad |z| > \left| \frac{1}{a} \right|$

## Optional Problems

**P22.8**

In this problem we study the relation between the  $z$ -transform, the Fourier transform, and the ROC.

- (a) Consider the signal  $x[n] = u[n]$ . For which values of  $r$  does  $r^{-n}x[n]$  have a converging Fourier transform?  
(b) In the lecture, we discussed the relation between  $X(z)$  and  $\mathcal{F}\{r^{-n}x[n]\}$ . For each of the following values of  $r$ , sketch where in the  $z$  plane  $X(z)$  equals the Fourier transform of  $r^{-n}x[n]$ .  
(i)  $r = 1$   
(ii)  $r = \frac{1}{2}$   
(iii)  $r = 3$   
(c) From your observations in parts (a) and (b), sketch the ROC of the  $z$ -transform of  $u[n]$ .

**P22.9**

- (a) Suppose  $X(z)$  on the circle  $z = 2e^{j\Omega}$  is given by

$$X(2e^{j\Omega}) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\Omega}}$$

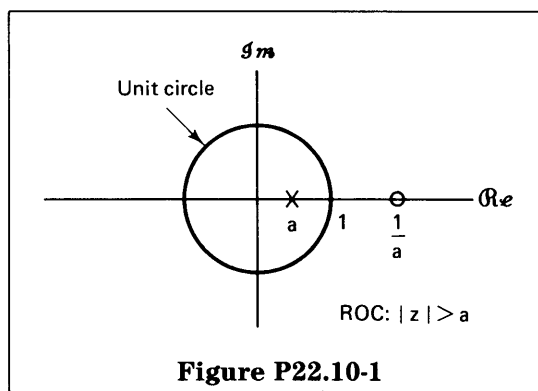
Using the relation  $X(re^{j\Omega}) = \mathcal{F}\{r^{-n}x[n]\}$ , find  $2^{-n}x[n]$  and then  $x[n]$ , the inverse  $z$ -transform of  $X(z)$ .

- (b) Find  $x[n]$  from  $X(z)$  below using partial fraction expansion, where  $x[n]$  is known to be causal, i.e.,  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n < 0$ .

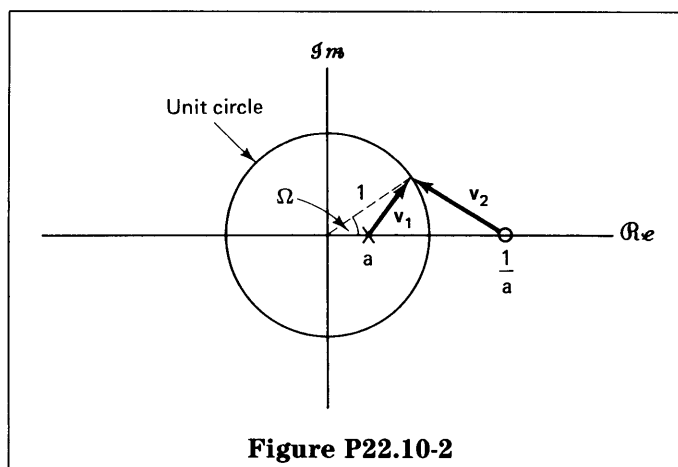
$$X(z) = \frac{3 + 2z^{-1}}{2 + 3z^{-1} + z^{-2}}$$

**P22.10**

A discrete-time system with the pole-zero pattern shown in Figure P22.10-1 is referred to as a first-order all-pass system because the magnitude of the frequency response is a constant, independent of frequency.



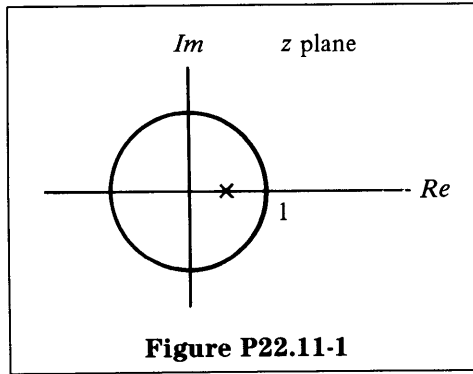
- (a) Demonstrate algebraically that  $|H(e^{j\Omega})|$  is constant.
- (b) To demonstrate the same property geometrically, consider the vector diagram in Figure P22.10-2. Show that the length of  $v_2$  is proportional to the length of  $v_1$  independent of  $\Omega$  by following these two steps:
- Express the length of  $v_1$  using the law of cosines and the fact that it is one leg of a triangle for which the other two legs are the unit vector and a vector of length  $a$ .
  - In a manner similar to that in step (i), determine the length of  $v_2$  and show that it is proportional in length to  $v_1$  independent of  $\Omega$ .



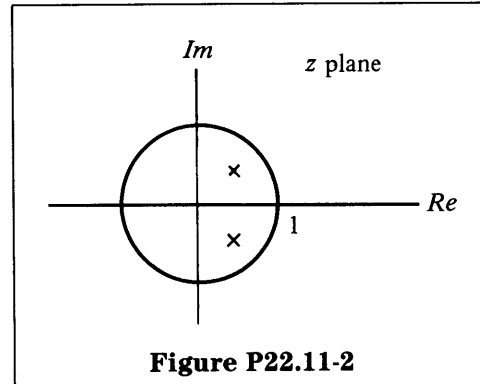
**P22.11**

Parts (a)–(e) (Figures P22.11-1 to P22.11-5) give pole-zero plots, and parts (i)–(iv) (Figures P22.11-6 to P22.11-9) give sketches of possible Fourier transform magnitudes. Assume that for all the pole-zero plots, the ROC includes the unit circle. For each pole-zero plot (a)–(e), specify which one *if any* of the sketches (i)–(iv) could represent the associated Fourier transform magnitude. More than one pole-zero plot may be associated with the same sketch.

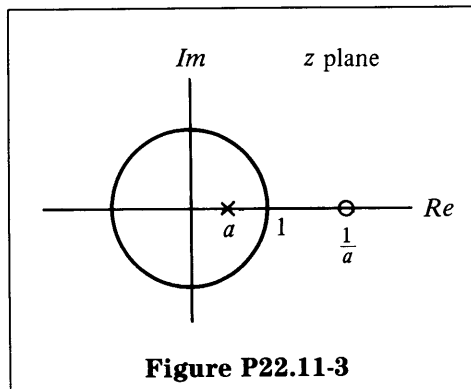
(a)



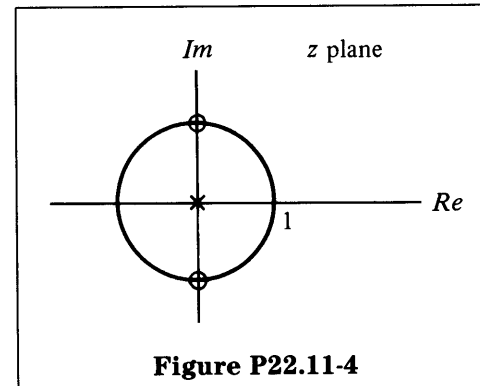
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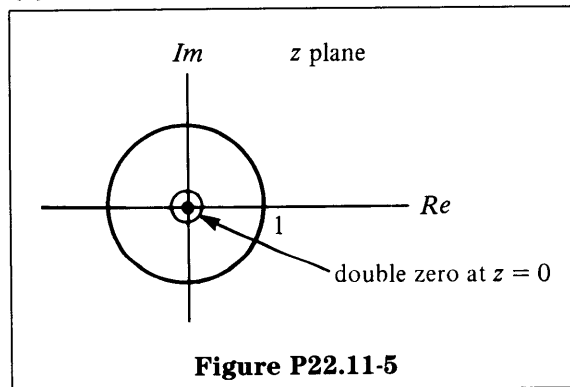
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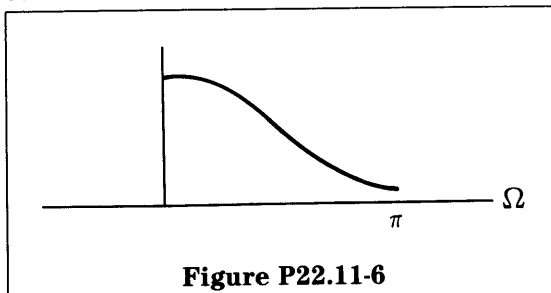
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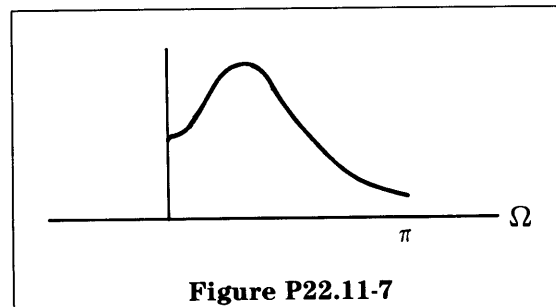
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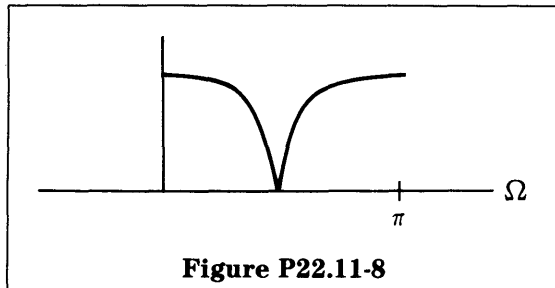
(i)



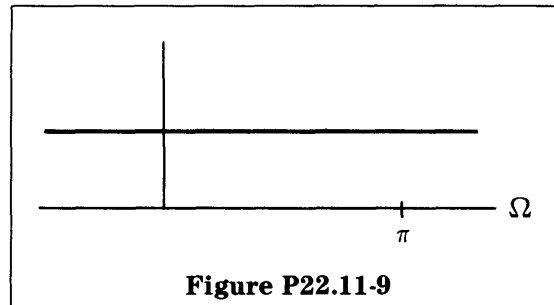
(ii)



(iii)



(iv)



### P22.12

Determine the  $z$ -transform for the following sequences. Express all sums in closed form. Sketch the pole-zero plot and indicate the ROC. Indicate whether the Fourier transform of the sequence exists.

(a)  $(\frac{1}{2})^n \{u[n] - u[n - 10]\}$

(b)  $(\frac{1}{2})^{|n|}$

(c)  $7 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n \cos \left[ \frac{2\pi n}{6} + \frac{\pi}{4} \right] u[n]$

(d)  $x[n] = \begin{cases} 0, & n < 0 \\ 1, & 0 \leq n \leq 9 \\ 0, & 9 < n \end{cases}$

### P22.13

Using the power-series expansion

$$\log(1 - w) = - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{w^i}{i}, \quad |w| < 1,$$

determine the inverse of the following  $z$ -transforms.

(a)  $X(z) = \log(1 - 2z), \quad |z| < \frac{1}{2}$

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

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