6.003: Signals and Systems

Z Transform

Mid-term Examination #1

Wednesday, March 3, 7:30-9:30pm.

No recitations on the day of the exam.

Coverage: Representations of CT and DT Systems

Lectures 1–7

Recitations 1–8

Homeworks 1–4

Homework 4 will not collected or graded. Solutions will be posted.

Closed book: 1 page of notes $(8\frac{1}{2} \times 11 \text{ inches; front and back}).$

Designed as 1-hour exam; two hours to complete.

Review sessions during open office hours.

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Furthermore, you already know about Z transforms (we just haven't called them Z transforms)!

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Expand functional in a series:

$$\frac{Y}{X} = \frac{1}{1 - \mathcal{R} - \mathcal{R}^2} = 1 + \mathcal{R} + 2\mathcal{R}^2 + 3\mathcal{R}^3 + 5\mathcal{R}^4 + 8\mathcal{R}^5 + 13\mathcal{R}^6 + \cdots$$

$$= h[0] + h[1]\mathcal{R} + h[2]\mathcal{R}^2 + h[3]\mathcal{R}^3 + h[4]\mathcal{R}^4 + \cdots$$

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Series expansion of system functional:

$$\frac{Y}{X} = \sum_{n} h[n] \mathcal{R}^n$$

Substitute $\mathcal{R} \to \frac{1}{z}$:

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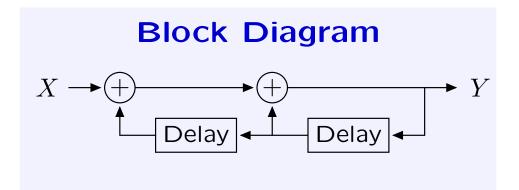
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Multiple representations of DT systems.



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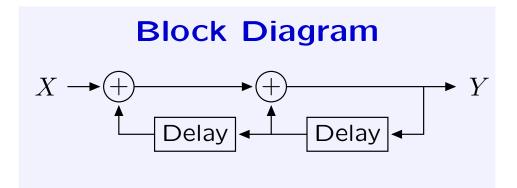
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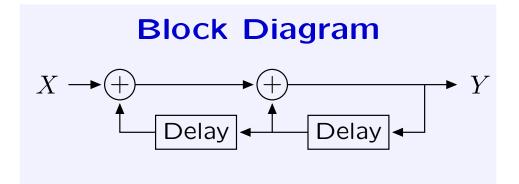
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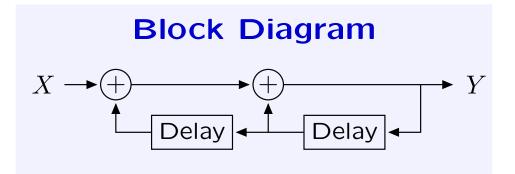
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$$H(z) = \sum h[n]z^{-n} \leftarrow \mathbf{Z} \text{ transform!}$$

Z Transform

Z transform is discrete-time analog of Laplace transform.

Z transform maps a function of discrete time n to a function of z.

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

There are two important variants:

Unilateral

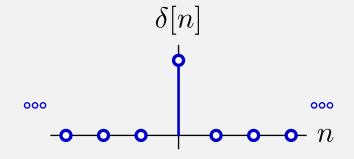
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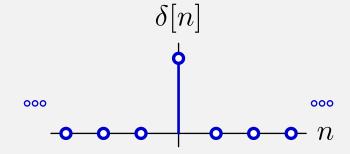
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Differences are analogous to those for the Laplace transform.

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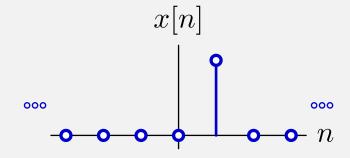


$$x[n] = \delta[n]$$

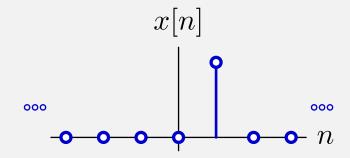
$$X(z) = \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} = x[0]z^{0} = 1$$

 $\mathcal{Z}\{\delta[n]\}=1$, analogous to $\mathcal{L}\{\delta(t)\}=1$.

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$$x[n] = \delta[n-1]$$

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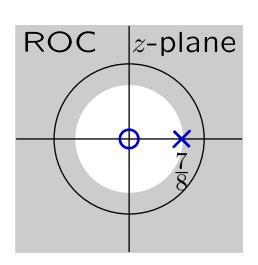
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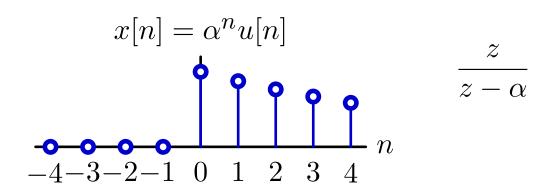
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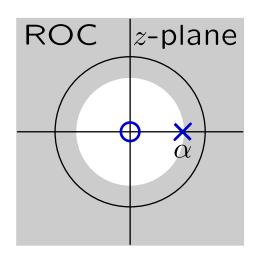
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$$= \frac{1}{1 - \alpha z^{-1}}; \quad \left| \alpha z^{-1} \right| < 1$$

$$= \frac{z}{z - \alpha}; \quad |z| > |\alpha|$$



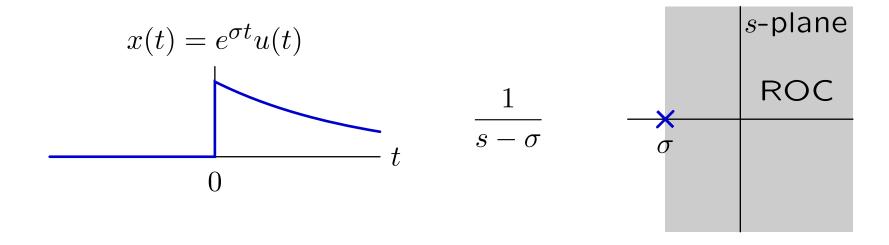


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Regions of converge for Laplace transform delimited by vertical lines.

Example: $x(t) = e^{\sigma t}u(t)$

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\sigma t} u(t) e^{-st} dt = \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{\sigma t} e^{-st} dt$$
$$= \frac{1}{s - \sigma}; \quad \text{Re}(s) > \text{Re}(\sigma)$$



Distinguishing Features of Transforms

Most-important feature of Laplace transforms is the derivative rule:

$$x(t) \leftrightarrow X(s)$$

$$\dot{x}(t) \leftrightarrow sX(s)$$

 \rightarrow allows us to use Laplace transforms to solve differential equations.

Similarly, most-important feature of Z transforms is the delay rule:

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

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Distinguishing Features of Transforms

Delay property

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Proof:

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

Let y[n] = x[n-1] then

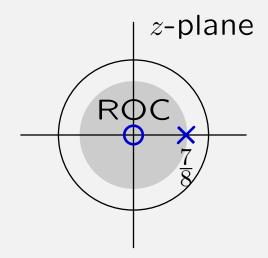
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Substitute m = n - 1

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then y[n] corresponds to the unit-sample response of

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The difference equation for this system is

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

Convergence **inside** $|z| = \frac{7}{8}$ corresponds to a left-sided (non-causal) response. Solve by iterating backwards in time:

$$y[n] = \frac{8}{7} (y[n+1] - x[n+1])$$

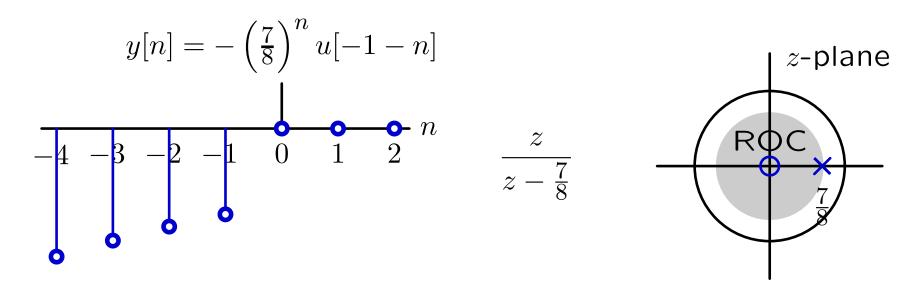
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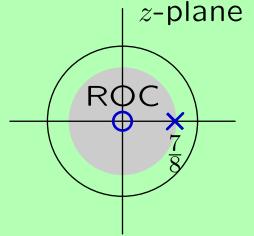
$$y[n] = -\left(\frac{8}{7}\right)^{-n}; \quad n < 0 = -\left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^{n} u[-1 - n]$$

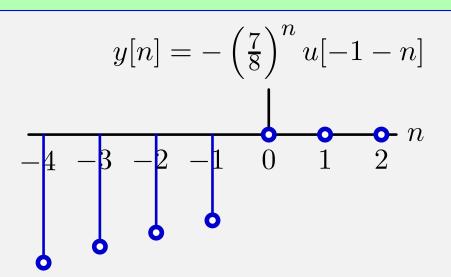
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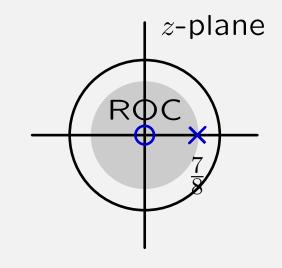
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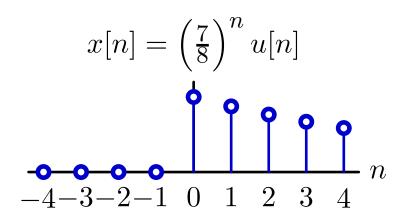
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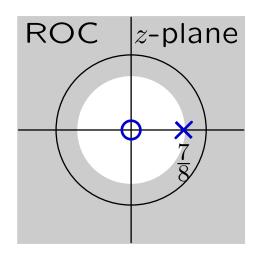
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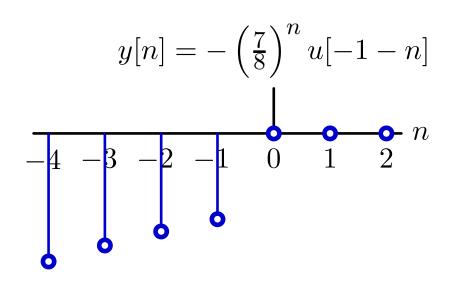
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Standard forms:

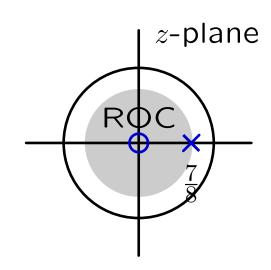


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Expand it differently: as a standard form:

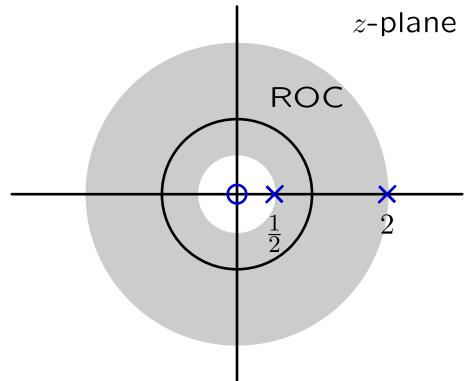
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Standard form: a pole at $\frac{1}{2}$ and a pole at 2.

Ratio of polynomials in z:

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

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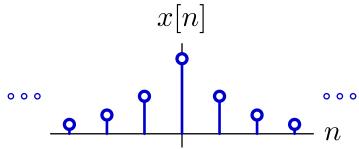


Region of convergence is "outside" pole at $\frac{1}{2}$ but "inside" pole at 2.

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

Plot.

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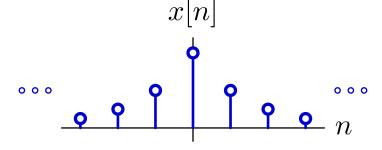
$$x[n]$$

Alternative 3: expand as polynomials in z^{-1} :

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$$= \frac{2}{2 - z^{-1}} - \frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} - \frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}}$$

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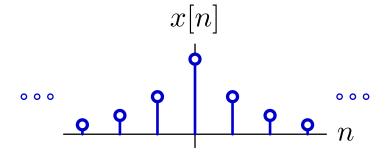
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Solving Difference Equations with Z Transforms

Start with difference equation:

$$y[n] - \frac{1}{2}y[n-1] = \delta[n]$$

Take the Z transform of this equation:

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

Solve for Y(z):

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

Take the inverse Z transform (by recognizing the form of the transform):

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

Inverse Z transform

The inverse Z transform is defined by an integral that is not particularly easy to solve.

Formally,

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

were C represents a closed contour that circles the origin by running in a counterclockwise direction through the region of convergence. This integral is not generally easy to compute.

This equation can be useful to prove theorems.

There are better ways (e.g., partial fractions) to compute inverse transforms for the kinds of systems that we frequently encounter.

Properties of Z Transforms

 $m=-\infty$

The use of Z Transforms to solve differential equations depends on several important properties.

Property
$$x[n]$$
 $X(z)$ ROC Linearity $ax_1[n]+bx_2[n]$ $aX_1(z)+bX_2(z)\supset (R_1\cap R_2)$ Delay $x[n-1]$ $z^{-1}X(z)$ R Multiply by n $nx[n]$ $-z\frac{dX(z)}{dz}$ R Convolve in n $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_1[m]x_2[n-m]$ $X_1(z)X_2(z) \supset (R_1\cap R_2)$

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y[n] corresponds to unit-sample response of the right-sided system

$$\frac{Y}{X} = \left(\frac{z}{z-1}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{1-z^{-1}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{1-\mathcal{R}}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(1+\mathcal{R}+\mathcal{R}^2+\mathcal{R}^3+\cdots\right) \times \left(1+\mathcal{R}+\mathcal{R}^2+\mathcal{R}^3+\cdots\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{1} \quad \frac{\mathcal{R}}{1} \quad \frac{\mathcal{R}^2}{\mathcal{R}^3} \quad \frac{\mathcal{R}^3}{1} \quad \cdots$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{R}}{1} \quad \mathcal{R}^2 \quad \mathcal{R}^3 \quad \mathcal{R}^4 \quad \cdots$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{R}^2}{1} \quad \mathcal{R}^2 \quad \mathcal{R}^3 \quad \mathcal{R}^4 \quad \mathcal{R}^5 \quad \cdots$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{R}^3}{1} \quad \mathcal{R}^3 \quad \mathcal{R}^4 \quad \mathcal{R}^5 \quad \mathcal{R}^6 \quad \cdots$$

$$\frac{Y}{X} = 1 + 2\mathcal{R} + 3\mathcal{R}^2 + 4\mathcal{R}^3 + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)\mathcal{R}^n$$
$$y[n] = h[n] = (n+1)u[n]$$

Table lookup method.

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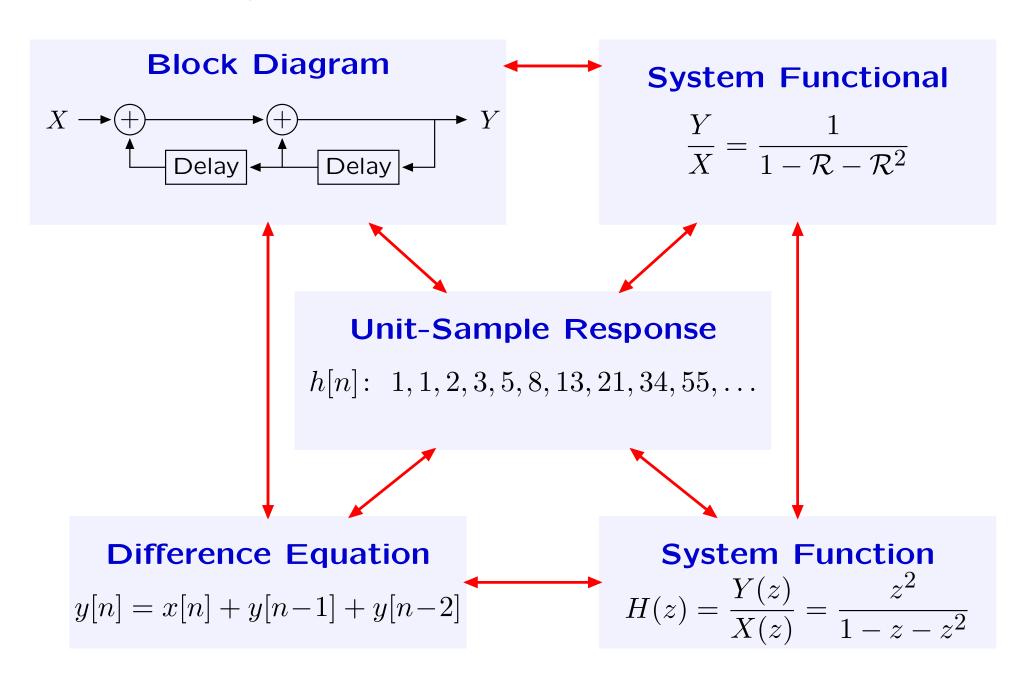
$$\frac{z}{z-1} \quad \leftrightarrow \quad u[n]$$

$$-z\frac{d}{dz}\left(\frac{z}{z-1}\right) = z\left(\frac{1}{z-1}\right)^2 \quad \leftrightarrow \quad nu[n]$$

$$z \times \left(-z\frac{d}{dz}\left(\frac{z}{z-1}\right)\right) = \left(\frac{z}{z-1}\right)^2 \quad \leftrightarrow \quad (n+1)u[n+1] = (n+1)u[n]$$

Concept Map: Discrete-Time Systems

Relations among representations.



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