

The z-Transform

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0. Introduction

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□ Role in Discrete-Time Systems

- ▣ z-Transform is the discrete-time counterpart of the Laplace transform.

□ Response of Discrete-Time Systems

- ▣ If the system

$$2y[n] + 3y[n-1] + y[n-2] = u[n] + u[n-1] - u[n-2] \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2$$

- ▣ The response of the system is excited by an input $u[n]$ and some initial conditions.
- ▣ The difference equations are basically algebraic equations, their solutions can be obtained by direct substitution.
- ▣ The solution however is not in closed form and is difficult to develop general properties of the system.
- ▣ A number of design techniques have been developed in the z-Transform domain.

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□ Positive and Negative Time Sequence

- A discrete-time signal $x[n] = x_a[nT]$, where n is an integer ranging ($-\infty < n < \infty$), is called a positive-time sequence if $x[n] = 0$ for $n < 0$; it is called a negative-time sequence if $x[n] = 0$ for $n > 0$.
- We mainly consider the positive-time sequences.

□ z-Transform Pair

- The z-transform is defined as

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

- where z is a complex variable, called the z-transform variable.

**Difference with the
Fourier Transform**

□ Example

- $x[n] = \{1, 2, 5, 7, 0, 1\}$; $x[n] = (1/2)^n u\{n\}$

1. The z-Transform (c.1)

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□ Example

- $f[n] = b^n$ for all positive integer k and b is a real or complex number.

$$F(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f[n]z^{-n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b^n z^{-n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (bz^{-1})^n$$

- If $|bz^{-1}| < 1$, then the infinity power series converges and

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{1 - bz^{-1}} = \frac{z}{z - b}$$

- The region $|b| < |z|$ is called the region of convergence.

□ Unit Step Sequence

- The unit sequence is defined as

$$q[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \\ 0 & \text{for } n < 0 \end{cases}$$

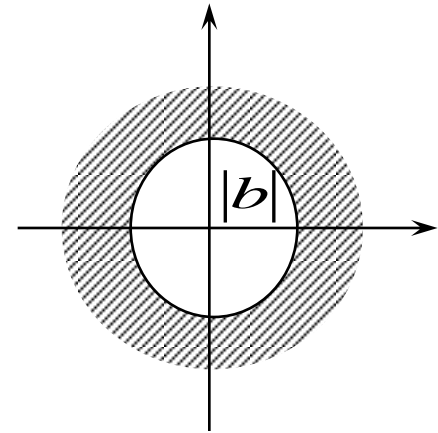
- The z-Transform is

□ Exponential Sequence

- $f[n] = e^{anT}$

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

$$F(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{anT} z^{-n} = \frac{1}{1 - e^{aT} z^{-1}}$$



1. The z-Transform (c.2)

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□ Region of Convergence

- ▣ For any given sequence, the set of values of z for which the z-transform converges is called the region of convergence.

□ Viewpoints

- ▣ The representation of the complex variable z

$$z = re^{j\omega}$$

- ▣ Consider the z-transform

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

- ▣ Convergent Condition

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

**ROC includes the unit circle
==> Fourier Transform converges**

**Convergence of the z-Transform
==> The z-transform and its derivatives
must be continuous function of z .**

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□ Rational Function

$$X(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$$

□ Ex.

$$x[n] = a^n u[n] \quad x[n] = -a^n u[-n-1]$$

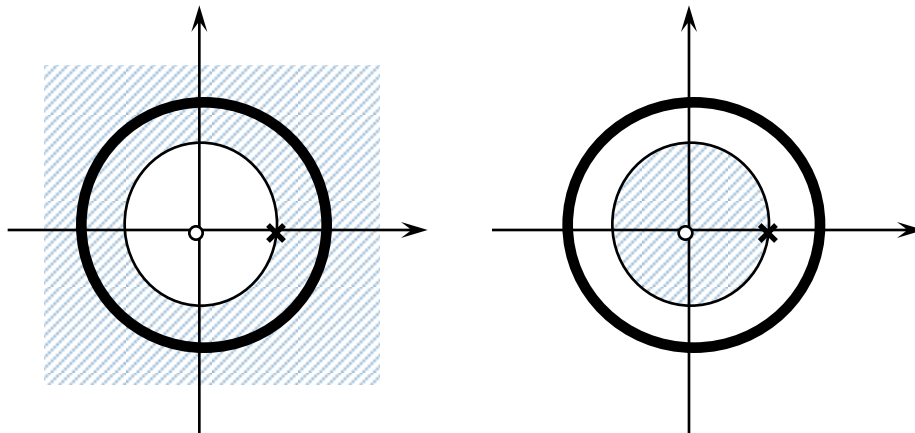


TABLE 4.1 SOME COMMON z-TRANSFORM PAIRS

Sequence	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}	All z except 0 (if $m > 0$) or ∞ (if $m < 0$)
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 $
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. $[\cos \omega_0 n] u[n]$	$\frac{1 - [\cos \omega_0] z^{-1}}{1 - [2 \cos \omega_0] z^{-1} + z^{-2}}$	$ z > 1$
10. $[\sin \omega_0 n] u[n]$	$\frac{[\sin \omega_0] z^{-1}}{1 - [2 \cos \omega_0] z^{-1} + z^{-2}}$	$ z > 1$
11. $[r^n \cos \omega_0 n] u[n]$	$\frac{1 - [r \cos \omega_0] z^{-1}}{1 - [2r \cos \omega_0] z^{-1} + r^2 z^{-2}}$	$ z > r$
12. $[r^n \sin \omega_0 n] u[n]$	$\frac{[r \sin \omega_0] z^{-1}}{1 - [2r \cos \omega_0] z^{-1} + r^2 z^{-2}}$	$ z > r$
13. $\begin{cases} a^n, & 0 \leq n \leq N-1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	$\frac{1 - a^N z^{-N}}{1 - az^{-1}}$	$ z > 0$

2. Properties of the Region of Convergence for the z-Transform

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□ Properties

- The ROC is a ring or disk in the z-plane centered at the origin, i.e., $0 \leq r_R < |z| < r_L \leq \infty$
- The Fourier transform of $x[n]$ converges absolutely if and only if the ROC of the z-transform of $x[n]$ includes the unit circle.
- The ROC cannot contain any poles.
- If $x[n]$ is a finite-duration sequence, i.e. a sequence that is zero except in a finite interval $-\infty < N_1 \leq n \leq N_2 < \infty$, then the ROC is the entire z-plane except possibly $z=0$ or $z=\infty$.
- If $x[n]$ is a right-sided sequence, i.e. a sequence that is zero for $n < N_1 < \infty$, the ROC extends outward from the outermost finite pole in $X(z)$ to $z=\infty$.
- If $x[n]$ is a left-sided sequence, i.e., a sequence that is zero for $n > N_2 > -\infty$, the ROC extends inward from the innermost (smallest magnitude) nonzero pole in $X(z)$ to (and possibly including) $z=0$.
- A two-sided sequence is an infinite-duration sequence that is neither right-sided nor left-sided. If $x[n]$ is a two-sided sequence, the ROC will consist of a ring in the z-plane, bounded on the interior and exterior by a pole, and, consistent with property 3, not containing any poles.
- The ROC must be a connected region.

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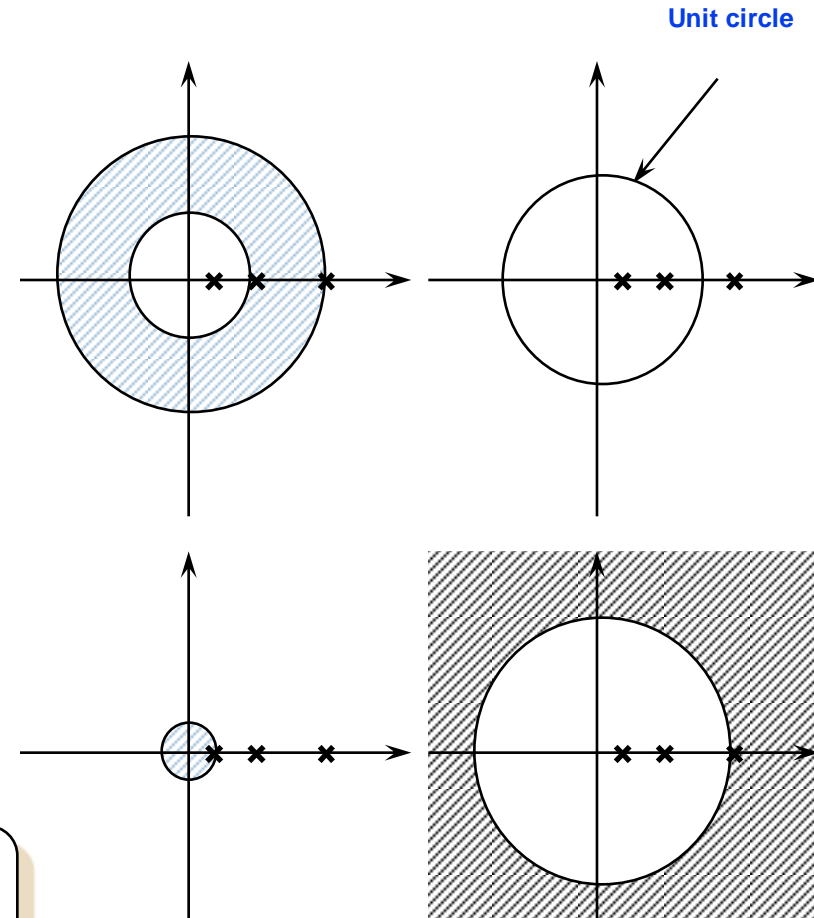
□ Example

▣ ROC is a Ring

▣ ROC is the interior of a circle

▣ ROC is the exterior of a circle

No common ROC case ?



3. The Inverse z-Transform

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□ Methods

▣ Direct Division

▣ Partial Fraction Expansion

□ Direct Division

$$\square F(z) = -2z^2 + 3z + 3z^{-2} + 3z^{-3} + 9z^{-4} \quad \begin{array}{r} -2z^2 + 3z \phantom{+ 3z^{-2} + 3z^{-3} + 9z^{-4}} \\ \hline z^2 - z - 2 \overline{) -2z^4 + 5z^3 + z^2 - 6z + 3} \\ -2z^4 + 2z^3 + 4z^2 \\ \hline 3z^3 - 3z^2 - 6z + 3 \\ 3z^3 - 3z^2 - 6z \\ \hline 3 \end{array}$$

$$f[k] = \{-2, 3, 0, 0, 3, 3, 9, \dots\}$$

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□ Ex. $3/(z^2 - z - 2)$

Inverse z-transform by Power Series Expansion

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Example 3.11 Inverse Transform by Power Series Expansion

Consider the z-transform

$$X(z) = \log(1 + az^{-1}), \quad |z| > |a|.$$

Using the power series expansion for $\log(1 + x)$, with $|x| < 1$, we obtain

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} a^n z^{-n}}{n}.$$

Therefore,

$$x[n] = \begin{cases} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{a^n}{n}, & n \geq 1, \\ 0, & n \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

3. The Inverse z-Transform (c.1)

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Partial Fraction Expansion and Table Lookup

$$X(z) = \frac{\prod_{k=1}^M (1 - c_k z^{-1})}{\prod_{k=1}^N (1 - d_k z^{-1})} \quad X(z) = \frac{b_0}{a_0} \frac{\prod_{k=1}^M (1 - c_k z^{-1})}{\prod_{k=1}^N (1 - d_k z^{-1})}$$

▣ If $M < N$ and the poles are all first order

$$X(z) = \frac{b_0}{a_0} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_k}{(1 - d_k z^{-1})} \quad A_k = (1 - d_k z^{-1}) X(z) \Big|_{z=d_k}$$

▣ If $M \geq N$ and the poles are all first order, the complete partial fraction expression can be

$$X(z) = \sum_{r=0}^{M-N} B_r z^{-r} + \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_k}{(1 - d_k z^{-1})} \quad A_k = (1 - d_k z^{-1}) X(z) \Big|_{z=d_k}$$

▣ If $X(z)$ has multiple-order poles and $M \geq N$

$$X(z) = \sum_{r=0}^{M-N} B_r z^{-r} + \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^N \frac{A_k}{(1 - d_k z^{-1})} + \sum_{m=1}^s \frac{C_m}{(1 - d_i z^{-1})^m}$$

$$C_m = \frac{1}{(s-m)!(-d_i)^{s-m}} \left\{ \frac{d^{s-m}}{dw^{s-m}} [(1 - d_i w)^s X(w^{-1})] \right\}_{w=d_i^{-1}}$$

3. The Inverse z-Transform (c.2)

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□ Examples

$$X(z) = \frac{1 + 2z^{-1} + z^{-2}}{1 - \frac{3}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{2}z^{-2}} = \frac{1 + 2z^{-1} + z^{-2}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - z^{-1})} = B_0 + \frac{A_1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{A_2}{1 - z^{-1}}$$

□ ROC: $|z| > 1$

□ ROC: $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$

□ ROC: $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 1$

4. z-Transform Properties

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□ The Initial-Value Theorem

Let $F(z)$ be the z-transform of $f(n)$ a positive-time sequence $f[n]$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, and let $F(z)$ be a proper rational function, then

$$f(0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} F(z)$$

This follows from $F(z) = f[0] + f[1]z^{-1} + f[2]z^{-2} + \dots$

SOME z-TRANSFORM PROPERTIES

Sequence	Transform	ROC
$x[n]$	$X(z)$	R_x
$x_1[n]$	$X_1(z)$	R_{x_1}
$x_2[n]$	$X_2(z)$	R_{x_2}
$ax_1[n] + bx_2[n]$	$aX_1(z) + bX_2(z)$	Contains $R_{x_1} \cap R_{x_2}$
$x[n - n_0]$	$z^{-n_0} X(z)$	R_x , except for the possible addition or deletion of the origin or ∞
$z_0^n x[n]$	$X(z/z_0)$	$ z_0 R_x$
$nx[n]$	$-z \frac{dX(z)}{dz}$	R_x , except for the possible addition or deletion of the origin or ∞
$x^*[n]$	$X^*(z^*)$	R_x
$\text{Re}\{x[n]\}$	$\frac{1}{2}[X(z) + X^*(z^*)]$	Contains R_x
$\text{Im}\{x[n]\}$	$\frac{1}{2j}[X(z) - X^*(z^*)]$	Contains R_x
$x^*[-n]$	$X^*(1/z^*)$	$1/R_x$
$x_1[n] * x_2[n]$	$X_1(z)X_2(z)$	Contains $R_{x_1} \cap R_{x_2}$
Initial-value theorem:		
$x[n] = 0, \quad n < 0$	$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} X(z) = x[0]$	

4. z-Transform Properties (c.1)

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□ The Final-Value Theorem

- Let $F(z)$ be the z-transform of $f[n]$, $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$ and let $F(z)$ be a proper rational and let $F(z)$ be a proper rational function. If every pole of $(z-1)F(z)$ has a magnitude smaller than 1, then $f[k]$ approaches a constant and

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f[k] = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1)F(z)$$

- Examples

consider $f[k] = 2^k$

$$\frac{3z}{(z-1)(z+1)}; \frac{z+20}{(z+0.9)^{10}}; \frac{z+1}{3(z^2-1)(z+0.9)}; \frac{(2z+1)(z-10)}{z(z+2)}$$

- proof

$$Z[f[k]] = F(z) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^N f[k]z^{-k}$$

$$Z\{f[k+1]\} = z[F(z) - f(0)] = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^N f[k+1]z^{-k}$$

$$(z-1)F(z) - zf[0] = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^N [f[k+1]z^{-k} - f[k]z^{-k}]$$

As $z \rightarrow 1$, the right-hand side reduces to $(f[N+1] - f[0])$.

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1)F(z) - f[0] = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} f[N+1] - f(0)$$

5. The Unilateral z-Transform

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□ Definition

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

□ Time Delay

$$x[n] \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad X(z)$$

$$x[n-k] \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad z^{-k} X(z) + \sum_{n=1}^k x[-n] z^{-k+n}$$

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

6. Solving the Difference Equations

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□ Goals

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- ▣ Solving CC difference equations using Z transform.

□ Example

$$2y[n] + 3y[n-1] + y[n-2] = u[n] + u[n-1] - u[n-2]$$

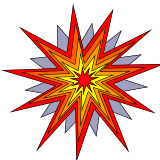
where $u(n) = s(n)$, $y(-1) = -1$ and $y(-2) = 1$.

□ Exercise

Find the response of

$$y[n+1] - 2y[n] = u[n] \quad \text{and} \quad y[n+1] - 2y[n] = u[n+1] \quad y[-1]=1$$

and $u[n] = 1$, for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$



7. Zero-Input Response-- Characteristic Polynomial

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- Consider the zero-input response

$$Y_{zi}(z) = \frac{-3y[-1] - y[-2] - y[-1]z^{-1}}{2 + 3z^{-1} + z^{-2}} = \frac{(-3y[-1] - y[-2])z^2 - y[-1]z}{2z^2 + 3z + 1}$$

- ▣ The denominator of Y_{zi} , is called the characteristic polynomial.
- ▣ The roots of Y_{zi} , is called the modes of the system.
- Why the name, "mode" ?
 - ▣ The zero-input response of the system excited by any initial conditions can always be expressed as

$$Y_{zi}(z) = \frac{(-3y[-1] - y[-2])z^2 - y[-1]z}{2z^2 + 3z + 1} = \frac{k_1 z}{z + 0.5} + \frac{k_2 z}{z + 1}$$

- ▣ The zero-input response is for $t \geq 0$
 $y_{zi}(k) = k_1 (-0.5)^k + k_2 (-1)^k$
- ▣ The zero-input response is always a linear combination of the two time functions $(-0.5)^k$ and $(-1)^k$.

The form of the zero-input response excited by any initial conditions is completely determined by the modes of the system

7. Zero-State Response-- Transfer Function

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□ Consider

$$2y[k] + 3y[k-1] + y[k-2] = u[k] + u[k-1] - u[k-2]$$

- If all initial conditions are zero, we have

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

□ Ways to Find Transfer Functions

- ⇒ The transfer function is the z transform of the impulse response.
- ✦ The function can be obtained from the zero-state response excited by any input, in particular, step or sinusoidal functions.
- ✦ The function can be obtained from the difference equation description.
- $y[n] - y[n-1] + 2y[n-2] - 3y[n-3] = u[n]$

The Transfer Functions

The ratio of the z transforms of the output and input with all initial conditions zero or

$$H(z) = \left. \frac{Y(z)}{U(z)} \right|_{\text{initial conditions} = 0}$$

The transfer function of the above example is $(z^2 + z - 1)/(2z^2 + 3z + 1)$

7.1 Poles and Zeros of Proper Transfer Functions

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- For a proper rational functions

$$H(z) = \frac{N(z)}{D(z)}$$

- where $N(z)$ and $D(z)$ are polynomials with real coefficients. If $N(z)$ and $D(z)$ have no common factors, then the roots of $D(z)$ and $N(z)$ are respectively the poles and zeros of the system.

◆ examples

$$Y(z) = \frac{3(z + 4)}{2(z + 0.5)(z + 1)} U(z)$$

- Definition

- A finite real or complex number λ is a pole of $H(z)$ if the absolute value of $H(\lambda) = \infty$. It is a zero of $H(z)$ if $H(\lambda) = 0$.

- Examples

- Find the zero-state response of a system with transfer function, $H(z) = (z^2 + z - 1)/(2z^2 + 3z + 1)$ excited by unit step function.

7.1 Poles and Zeros of Proper Transfer Functions (c.1)

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□ Consider the following systems

$$H_1(z) = \frac{0.551}{(z + 0.9)(z - 0.8 + j0.5)(z - 0.8 - j0.5)}$$
$$= \frac{0.551}{z^3 - 0.7z^2 - 0.55z + 0.801}$$

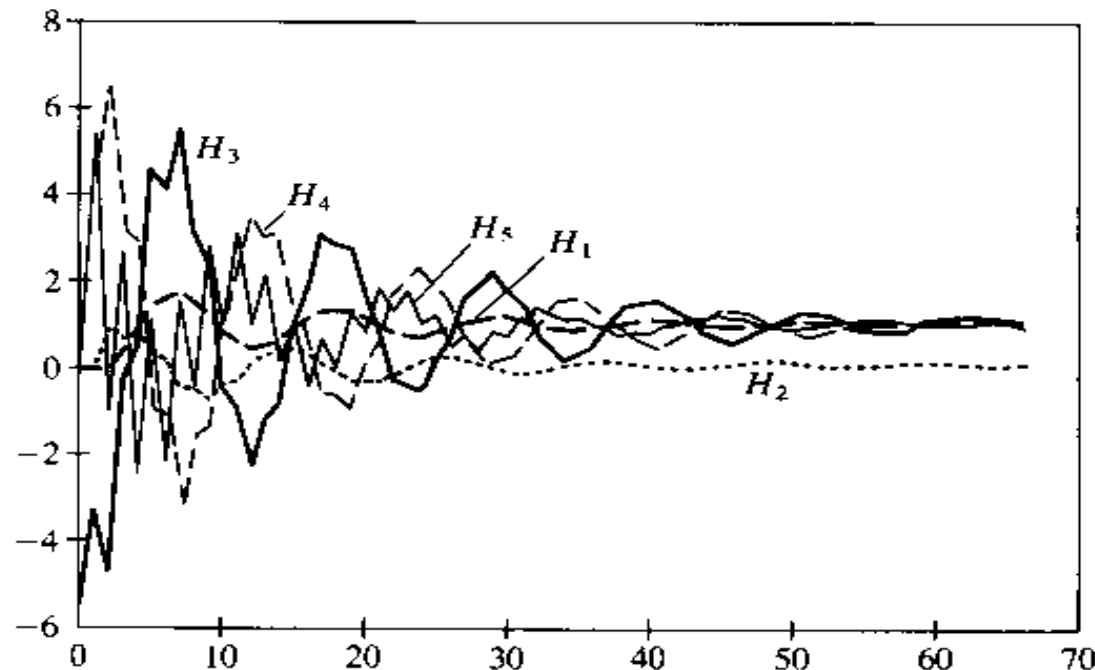
$$H_2(z) = \frac{z - 1}{z^3 - 0.7z^2 - 0.55z + 0.801}$$

Positions of
zeros and poles

$$H_3(z) = \frac{5.51(z - 0.9)}{z^3 - 0.7z^2 - 0.55z + 0.801}$$

$$H_4(z) = \frac{-5.51(z - 1.1)}{z^3 - 0.7z^2 - 0.55z + 0.801}$$

$$H_5(z) = \frac{5.51(z^2 - 1.9z + 1)}{z^3 - 0.7z^2 - 0.55z + 0.801}$$



7.2 Time Responses of Modes and Poles

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Remarks

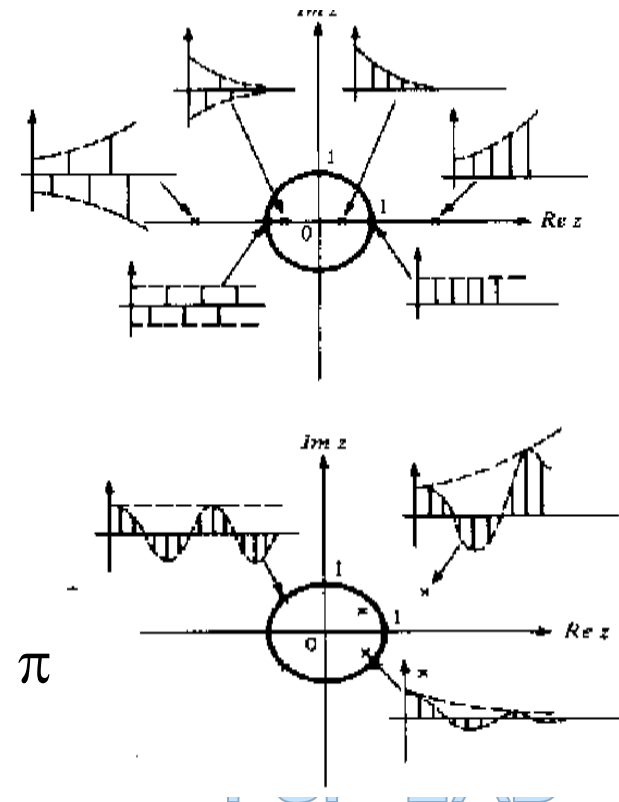
- ▣ The zero-input response is essentially dictated by the modes; the zero-state response is essentially dictated by the poles.

▣ Three parts in z-plane

- ▣ The unit circle
- ▣ The region outside the unit circle.
- ▣ The region inside the unit circle.

▣ Observations

- ▣ The poles $\sigma \pm j\omega$ or $re^{\pm j\theta}$
- ▣ The response $r^k \cos k\theta$ or $r^k \sin k\theta$
- ▣ θ determines the frequency of the oscillation.
- ▣ The highest frequency is determined by $(-\pi/T, \pi/T)$



7.2 Time Responses of Modes and Poles(c.1)

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Summary

- ◆ The time response of a pole (mode), simple or repeated, approaches zero as $k \rightarrow \infty$ if and only if the pole (mode) lies inside the unit circle or its magnitude is smaller than 1.
- ◆ The time response of a pole (mode) approaches a nonzero constant as $k \rightarrow \infty$ if and only if the pole is simple and located at the $z=1$.

□ Examples

$$y[k+3] - 1.6 y[k+2] - 0.76y[k+1] - 0.08 y[k] = u[k+2] - 4u[k].$$

$$y_{zi}[k], H(z), y_{zs}[k] \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

Table 5.3 Time responses of poles and modes as $k \rightarrow \infty$

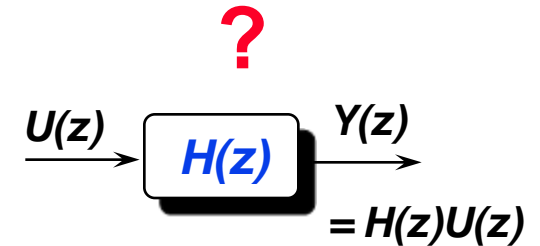
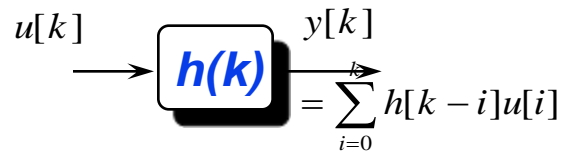
Poles or modes	Simple ($n = 1$)	Repeated ($n = 2, 3, \dots$)
Inside the unit circle	0	0
Outside the unit circle	$\pm\infty$	$\pm\infty$
$1/(z - 1)^n$	A constant	∞
$1/[(z - e^{j\theta})(z - e^{-j\theta})]^n$	A sustained oscillation	$\pm\infty$

8 Transfer-Function Representation-- Complete Characterization

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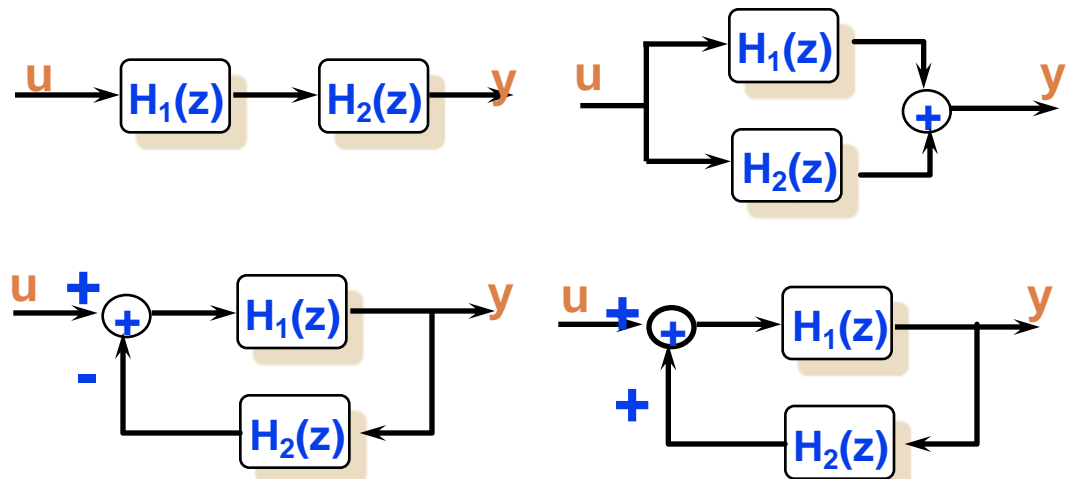
□ System Description for LTI systems

- Convolution
- Difference equation
- Transfer function.



□ System Connection

- The transfer function of connection can be easily derived from algebraic manipulation of transfer functions.



8 Transfer-Function Representation-- Complete Characterization (c.1)

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Questions

- Transfer functions represent the input-output relation when initial conditions are set to zeros.
- What is the representation of the transfer function for a system

Consider the difference equations

$$D(z) Y(z) = N(z) U(z)$$

$$\text{Ex. } D(z) = (z+0.5)(z-1)(z-2); N(z) = z^2 - 3z + 2$$

$$H(z) = \frac{(z-1)(z-2)}{(z+0.5)(z-1)(z-2)} = \frac{1}{z+0.5}$$

$$y_{zs}[k] = k_1(-0.5)^k + (\text{terms due to the poles of } U(z))$$

Missing Poles

- If $N(z)$ and $D(z)$ have common factors, $R(z)$, then the roots of $R(z)$ are modes but not poles of the system and
 $\{\text{the set of the poles}\} \quad \{\text{the set of the modes}\}$
- The root of $R(z)$ are called the missing poles.

Completed Characterization

- A system is completely characterized by its transfer function if $N(z)$ and $D(z)$ are coprime.

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Homeworks

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- 3.22, 3.27, 3.28, 3.36, 3.37, 3.43, 3.46, 3.51