

Lecture 15

Discrete-Time System Analysis using z-Transform (Lathi 5.1)

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z^{-1} the sample period delay operator

- From Laplace time-shift property, we know that $z = e^{sT}$ is time advance by T second (T is the sampling period).
- Therefore $z^{-1} = e^{-sT}$ corresponds to UNIT SAMPLE PERIOD DELAY.
- As a result, all sampled data (and discrete-time system) can be expressed in terms of the variable z.
- More formally, the **unilateral z-transform** of a causal sampled sequence: $x[n] = x[0] + x[1] + x[2] + x[3] + \dots$ is given by:

$$X[z] = x_0 + x_1 z^{-1} + x_2 z^{-2} + x_3 z^{-3} + \dots$$

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

- The **bilateral z-transform** for a general sampled sequence is:

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

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z-transform derived from Laplace transform

- Consider a discrete-time signal $x(t)$ below sampled every T sec.

$$x(t) = x_0 \delta(t) + x_1 \delta(t-T) + x_2 \delta(t-2T) + x_3 \delta(t-3T) + \dots$$

$$\delta(t) \Leftrightarrow 1 \quad (L6S5)$$

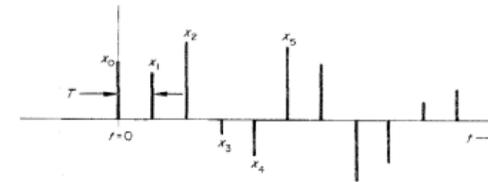
$$\delta(t-T) \Leftrightarrow e^{-sT} \quad (L6S13)$$

- The Laplace transform of $x(t)$ is therefore (Time-shift prop. L6S13):

$$X(s) = x_0 + x_1 e^{-sT} + x_2 e^{-s2T} + x_3 e^{-s3T} + \dots$$

- Now define $z = e^{sT} = e^{(\sigma + j\omega)T} = e^{\sigma T} \cos \omega T + j e^{\sigma T} \sin \omega T$

$$X[z] = x_0 + x_1 z^{-1} + x_2 z^{-2} + x_3 z^{-3} + \dots$$



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Laplace, Fourier and z-Transforms

	Definition	Purpose	Suitable for ..
Laplace transform	$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt$	Converts integral-differential equations to algebraic equations	Continuous-time system & signal analysis; stable or unstable
Fourier transform	$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$	Converts finite time signal to frequency domain	Continuous-time; stable system, convergent signals only; best for steady-state
Discrete Fourier transform	$X[n\omega_0] = \sum_{n=0}^{N_0-1} x[n] e^{jn\omega_0 T}$ N_0 samples, T = sample period $\omega_0 = 2\pi / T$	Converts finite discrete-time signal to discrete frequency domain	Discrete time, otherwise same as FT
z transform	$X[z] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] z^{-n}$	Converts difference equations into algebraic equations	Discrete-time system & signal analysis; stable or unstable

Example of z-transform (1)

- Find the z-transform for the signal $\gamma^n u[n]$, where γ is a constant.

- By definition
$$X[z] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \gamma^n u[n] z^{-n}$$

- Since $u[n] = 1$ for all $n \geq 0$ (step function),

$$X[z] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\gamma}{z}\right)^n = 1 + \left(\frac{\gamma}{z}\right) + \left(\frac{\gamma}{z}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma}{z}\right)^3 + \dots + \dots$$

- Apply the **geometric progression** formula:

$$1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-x} \quad \text{if } |x| < 1$$

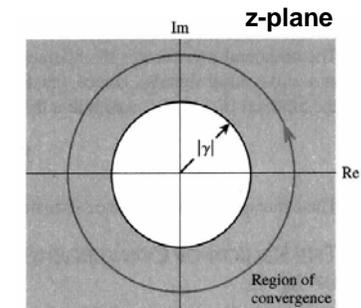
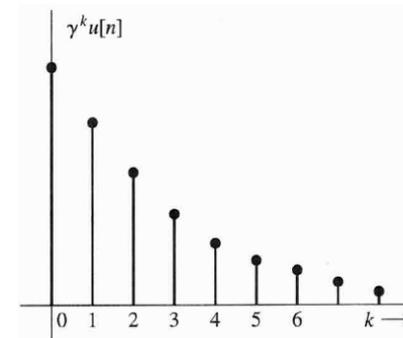
- Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} X[z] &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\gamma}{z}} \quad \left| \frac{\gamma}{z} \right| < 1 \\ &= \frac{z}{z - \gamma} \quad |z| > |\gamma| \end{aligned}$$

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Example of z-transform (2)

- Observe that a simple equation in z-domain results in an infinite sequence of samples.
- Observe also that $X[z]$ exists only for $|z| > |\gamma|$.
- For $|z| < |\gamma|$, $X[z]$ may go to infinity. We call the region of z-plane where $X[z]$ exists as Region-of-Convergence (ROC), and is shown below.



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z-transforms of $\delta[n]$ and $u[n]$

- Remember that by definition:

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

- Since $x[n] = \delta[n]$, $x[0] = 1$ and $x[2] = x[3] = x[4] = \dots = 0$.

$$\delta[n] \iff 1 \quad \text{for all } z$$

- Also, for $x[n] = u[n]$, $x[0] = x[1] = x[3] = \dots = 1$.

- Therefore
$$X[z] = 1 + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z^3} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{z}} \quad \left| \frac{1}{z} \right| < 1 \quad = \frac{z}{z-1} \quad |z| > 1$$

$$u[n] \iff \frac{z}{z-1} \quad |z| > 1$$

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z-transforms of $\cos \beta n u[n]$

- Since $\cos \beta n = (e^{j\beta n} + e^{-j\beta n})/2$

- From slide 5, we know $\gamma^n u[n] \iff \frac{z}{z - \gamma} \quad |z| > |\gamma|$

- Hence

$$e^{\pm j\beta n} u[n] \iff \frac{z}{z - e^{\pm j\beta}} \quad |z| > |e^{\pm j\beta}| = 1$$

- Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} X[z] &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{z}{z - e^{j\beta}} + \frac{z}{z - e^{-j\beta}} \right] \\ &= \frac{z(z - \cos \beta)}{z^2 - 2z \cos \beta + 1} \quad |z| > 1 \end{aligned}$$

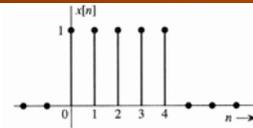
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z-transforms of 5 impulses

- Find the z-transform of:

- By definition,

$$X[z] = 1 + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z^3} + \frac{1}{z^4}$$



- Now remember the equation for sum of a power series:

$$\sum_{k=0}^n r^k = \frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1}$$

- Let $r = z^{-1}$ and $n = 4$

$$\begin{aligned} X[z] &= \frac{z^{-5} - 1}{z^{-1} - 1} \\ &= \frac{z}{z - 1} (1 - z^{-5}) \end{aligned}$$

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z-transform Table (1)

No.	$x[n]$	$X[z]$
1	$\delta[n - n]$	z^{-k}
2	$u[n]$	$\frac{z}{z - 1}$
3	$nu[n]$	$\frac{z}{(z - 1)^2}$
4	$n^2u[n]$	$\frac{z(z + 1)}{(z - 1)^3}$
5	$n^3u[n]$	$\frac{z(z^2 + 4z + 1)}{(z - 1)^4}$
6	$\gamma^n u[n]$	$\frac{z}{z - \gamma}$
7	$\gamma^{n-1} u[n - 1]$	$\frac{1}{z - \gamma}$
8	$n\gamma^n u[n]$	$\frac{\gamma z}{(z - \gamma)^2}$

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z-transform Table (2)

No.	$x[n]$	$X[z]$
10	$\frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-m+1)}{\gamma^m m!} \gamma^n u[n]$	$\frac{z}{(z - \gamma)^{m+1}}$
11a	$ \gamma ^n \cos \beta n u[n]$	$\frac{z(z - \gamma \cos \beta)}{z^2 - (2 \gamma \cos \beta)z + \gamma ^2}$
11b	$ \gamma ^n \sin \beta n u[n]$	$\frac{z \gamma \sin \beta}{z^2 - (2 \gamma \cos \beta)z + \gamma ^2}$
12a	$r \gamma ^n \cos(\beta n + \theta)u[n]$	$\frac{rz[z \cos \theta - \gamma \cos(\beta - \theta)]}{z^2 - (2 \gamma \cos \beta)z + \gamma ^2}$
12b	$r \gamma ^n \cos(\beta n + \theta)u[n]$ $\gamma = \gamma e^{j\beta}$	$\frac{(0.5re^{j\theta})z}{z - \gamma} + \frac{(0.5re^{-j\theta})z}{z - \gamma^*}$
12c	$r \gamma ^n \cos(\beta n + \theta)u[n]$	$\frac{z(Az + B)}{z^2 + 2az + \gamma ^2}$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{A^2|\gamma|^2 + B^2 - 2AaB}{|\gamma|^2 - a^2}} \quad \beta = \cos^{-1} \frac{-a}{|\gamma|} \quad \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{Aa - B}{A\sqrt{|\gamma|^2 - a^2}}$$

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Inverse z-transform

- As with other transforms, inverse z-transform is used to derive $x[n]$ from $X[z]$, and is formally defined as:

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

- Here the symbol \oint indicates an integration in counterclockwise direction around a closed path in the complex z-plane (known as contour integral).
- Such contour integral is difficult to evaluate (but could be done using Cauchy's residue theorem), therefore we often use other techniques to obtain the inverse z-transform.
- One such technique is to use the z-transform pair table shown in the last two slides with partial fraction.

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Find inverse z-transform – real unique poles

- Find the inverse z-transform of: $X[z] = \frac{8z - 19}{(z - 2)(z - 3)}$
- Step 1: Divide both sides by z: $\frac{X[z]}{z} = \frac{8z - 19}{z(z - 2)(z - 3)}$
- Step 2: Perform partial fraction: $\frac{X[z]}{z} = \frac{(-19/6)}{z} + \frac{(3/2)}{z - 2} + \frac{(5/3)}{z - 3}$
- Step 3: Multiply both sides by z: $X[z] = -\frac{19}{6} + \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{z}{z - 2} \right) + \frac{5}{3} \left(\frac{z}{z - 3} \right)$
- Step 4: Obtain inverse z-transform of each term from table (#1 & #6):

$$x[n] = -\frac{19}{6}\delta[n] + \left[\frac{3}{2}(2)^n + \frac{5}{3}(3)^n \right] u[n]$$

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Find inverse z-transform – repeat real poles (1)

- Find the inverse z-transform of: $X[z] = \frac{z(2z^2 - 11z + 12)}{(z - 1)(z - 2)^3}$
- Divide both sides by z and expand: $\frac{X[z]}{z} = \frac{2z^2 - 11z + 12}{(z - 1)(z - 2)^3} = \frac{k}{z - 1} + \frac{a_0}{(z - 2)^3} + \frac{a_1}{(z - 2)^2} + \frac{a_2}{z - 2}$
- Use covering method to find k and a_0 :
 $k = \frac{2z^2 - 11z + 12}{(z - 1)(z - 2)^3} \Big|_{z=1} = -3$ $a_0 = \frac{2z^2 - 11z + 12}{(z - 1)(z - 2)^3} \Big|_{z=2} = -2$
- We get: $\frac{X[z]}{z} = \frac{2z^2 - 11z + 12}{(z - 1)(z - 2)^3} = \frac{-3}{z - 1} - \frac{2}{(z - 2)^3} + \frac{a_1}{(z - 2)^2} + \frac{a_2}{z - 2}$
- To find a_2 , multiply both sides by z and let $z \rightarrow \infty$:

$$0 = -3 - 0 + 0 + a_2 \implies a_2 = 3$$

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Find inverse z-transform – repeat real poles (2)

- To find a_1 , let $z = 0$:
 $\frac{12}{8} = 3 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{a_1}{4} - \frac{3}{2} \implies a_1 = -1$
 - Therefore, we find: $\frac{X[z]}{z} = \frac{-3}{z - 1} - \frac{2}{(z - 2)^3} - \frac{1}{(z - 2)^2} + \frac{3}{z - 2}$
 $X[z] = -3\frac{z}{z - 1} - 2\frac{z}{(z - 2)^3} - \frac{z}{(z - 2)^2} + 3\frac{z}{z - 2}$
 - Use pairs #6 & #10
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| 6 | $y^n u[n] \iff \frac{z}{z - y}$ |
| 10 | $\frac{n(n - 1)(n - 2) \cdots (n - m + 1)}{y^m m!} y^n u[n] \iff \frac{z}{(z - y)^{m+1}}$ |
- $$x[n] = \left[-3 - 2\frac{n(n - 1)}{8}(2)^n - \frac{n}{2}(2)^n + 3(2)^n \right] u[n]$$
- $$= -\left[3 + \frac{1}{4}(n^2 + n - 12)2^n \right] u[n]$$

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Find inverse z-transform – complex poles (1)

- Find inverse z-transform of: $X[z] = \frac{2z(3z + 17)}{(z - 1)(z^2 - 6z + 25)}$
 $= \frac{2z(3z + 17)}{(z - 1)(z - 3 - j4)(z - 3 + j4)}$
- Whenever we encounter complex pole, we need to use a special partial fraction method (called quadratic factors):

$$\frac{X[z]}{z} = \frac{2(3z + 17)}{(z - 1)(z^2 - 6z + 25)} = \frac{2}{z - 1} + \frac{Az + B}{z^2 - 6z + 25}$$

- Now multiply both sides by z, and let $z \rightarrow \infty$:

$$0 = 2 + A \implies A = -2$$

- We get:

$$\frac{2(3z + 17)}{(z - 1)(z^2 - 6z + 25)} = \frac{2}{z - 1} + \frac{-2z + B}{z^2 - 6z + 25}$$

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Find inverse z-transform – complex poles (2)

- To find B, we let $z=0$:

$$\frac{-34}{25} = -2 + \frac{B}{25} \implies B = 16$$

- Now, we have $X[z]$ in a convenient form:

$$\frac{X[z]}{z} = \frac{2}{z-1} + \frac{-2z+16}{z^2-6z+25} \implies X[z] = \frac{2z}{z-1} + \frac{z(-2z+16)}{z^2-6z+25}$$

- Use table pair #12c, we identify $A = -2$, $B = 16$, $|\gamma| = 5$, and $a = -3$.

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{100 + 256 - 192}{25 - 9}} = 3.2, \quad \beta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = 0.927 \text{ rad}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-10}{-8}\right) = -2.246 \text{ rad}$$

$$12c \quad r|\gamma|^n \cos(\beta n + \theta)u[n] \iff \frac{z(Az+B)}{z^2+2az+|\gamma|^2}$$

- Therefore:

$$x[n] = [2 + 3.2(5)^n \cos(0.927n - 2.246)]u[n]$$

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Find inverse z-transform – long division

- Consider this example:

$$X[z] = \frac{z^2(7z-2)}{(z-0.2)(z-0.5)(z-1)} = \frac{7z^3-2z^2}{z^3-1.7z^2+0.8z-0.1}$$

- Perform long division:

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 + 9.9z^{-1} + 11.23z^{-2} + 11.87z^{-3} + \dots \\ z^3 - 1.7z^2 + 0.8z - 0.1 \overline{) 7z^3 - 2z^2} \\ \underline{7z^3 - 11.9z^2 + 5.60z - 0.7} \\ 9.9z^2 - 5.60z + 0.7 \\ \underline{9.9z^2 - 16.83z + 7.92 - 0.99z^{-1}} \\ 11.23z - 7.22 + 0.99z^{-1} \\ \underline{11.23z - 19.09 + 8.98z^{-1}} \\ 11.87 - 7.99z^{-1} \end{array}$$

- Thus:

$$X[z] = \frac{z^2(7z-2)}{(z-0.2)(z-0.5)(z-1)} = 7 + 9.9z^{-1} + 11.23z^{-2} + 11.87z^{-3} + \dots$$

- Therefore

$$x[0] = 7, \quad x[1] = 9.9, \quad x[2] = 11.23, \quad x[3] = 11.87, \dots$$

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