

Additional Examples of Chapter 6: Discrete-Time Signals and Systems in the z-Domain

Example E6.1: Consider the z-transform

$$H(z) = \frac{(z + 0.4)(z^2 + 0.3z + 0.4)}{(z - 0.5)(z^2 + 0.5z + 0.64)}.$$

There are 3 possible non-overlapping ROCs of $H(z)$. Discuss the type of inverse z-transform (left-sided, right-sided, or two-sided sequences) associated with each of the three ROCs. Do not compute the exact inverse z-transform for each ROC.

Answer: The poles of $H(z)$ are at $p_1 = 0.5$ and $p_{2,3} = -0.2500 \pm j0.7599$. Hence, the three ROCs are as follows: $\mathcal{R}_1: 0 \leq |z| < 0.5$, $\mathcal{R}_2: 0.5 < |z| < 0.8$, and $\mathcal{R}_3: 0.8 < |z| < \infty$. The sequence associated with the ROC \mathcal{R}_1 is a left-sided sequence, the sequence associated with the ROC \mathcal{R}_2 is a two-sided sequence, and the sequence associated with the ROC \mathcal{R}_3 is a right-sided sequence.

Example E6.2: Determine the z-transform $X(z)$ of $x[n] = a^n \mu[n + 2]$, $|a| < 1$. Show that the ROC of $X(z)$ includes the unit circle and determine the DTFT of $x[n]$ by evaluating $X(z)$ on the unit circle.

Answer: Therefore, $X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a^n \mu[n + 1] z^{-n} = \sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} a^n z^{-n} = \frac{z}{a} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n z^{-n}$
 $= \frac{1}{a z^{-1} (1 - a z^{-1})}, |z| > |a|$. The ROC of $X(z)$ includes the unit circle since $|a| < 1$. On the unit circle $X(e^{j\omega}) = X(z)|_{z=e^{j\omega}} = \frac{1}{a e^{-j\omega} (1 - a e^{-j\omega})}$, which is the DTFT of $x[n]$.

Example E6.3: Determine the inverse z-transform $x[n]$ of $X(z) = (1 - z^{-2})^{-1}$, $|z| > 1$.

Answer: Using partial fraction, we get $X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-2}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1 + z^{-1}} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1 - z^{-1}}$. Therefore,
 $x[n] = \frac{1}{2} \mu[n] + \frac{1}{2} (-1)^n \mu[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 2k \text{ and } n \geq 0, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$

Example E6.4: Let $X(z)$ denote the z-transform of the sequence $x[n] = \begin{cases} (0.4)^n, & n \geq 0, \\ 0, & n < 0. \end{cases}$ (a)

Determine the inverse z-transform of $X(z^2)$ without computing $X(z)$.

(b) Determine the inverse z-transform of $(1 + z^{-1})X(z^2)$ without computing $X(z)$.

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Answer:

Example E6.5: Determine the linear convolution of $\{g[n]\} = \{-2, 1, -3, 4\}$ and $\{h[n]\} = \{1, 2, -3, 2\}$, $0 \leq n \leq 3$, using the polynomial multiplication method.

Answer: The z-transforms of $g[n]$ and $h[n]$ are, respectively, given by $G(z) = -2 + z^{-1} - 3z^{-2} + 4z^{-3}$ and $H(z) = 1 + 2z^{-1} - 3z^{-2} + 2z^{-3}$. Hence $G(z)H(z) = (-2 + z^{-1} - 3z^{-2} + 4z^{-3})(1 + 2z^{-1} - 3z^{-2} + 2z^{-3}) = -2 - 3z^{-1} + 5z^{-2} - 9z^{-3} + 19z^{-4} - 18z^{-5} + 8z^{-6}$. The sequence obtained by a linear convolution is therefore a length-7 sequence given by $\{-2, -3, 5, -9, 19, -18, 8\}$.

Example E6.6: Determine the circular convolution of $\{g[n]\} = \{-2, 1, -3, 4\}$ and $\{h[n]\} = \{1, 2, -3, 2\}$, $0 \leq n \leq 3$, using the polynomial multiplication method.

Answer: From Example E6.6 we have $G(z)H(z) = -2 - 3z^{-1} + 5z^{-2} - 9z^{-3} + 19z^{-4} - 18z^{-5} + 8z^{-6}$. The length-4 sequence obtained by a circular convolution is thus given by $\langle G(z)H(z) \rangle_{(z^{-4}-1)} = \langle -2 - 3z^{-1} + 5z^{-2} - 9z^{-3} + 19z^{-4} - 18z^{-5} + 8z^{-6} \rangle_{(z^{-4}-1)} = -2 - 3z^{-1} + 5z^{-2} - 9z^{-3} + 19 - 18z^{-1} + 8z^{-2} = 17 - 21z^{-1} + 13z^{-2} - 9z^{-3}$.

The sequence obtained by a linear convolution is therefore a length-4 sequence given by $\{17, -21, 13, -9\}$

Example E6.7: Consider the digital filter structure of Figure E6.1, where $H_1(z)$, $H_2(z)$, and $H_3(z)$ are FIR digital filters with transfer functions given by $H_1(z) = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{5}z^{-1} + \frac{4}{7}z^{-2}$, $H_2(z) = \frac{4}{3} + \frac{8}{5}z^{-1} + \frac{3}{7}z^{-2}$, and $H_3(z) = 3 + 2z^{-1} + 4z^{-2}$. Determine the transfer function $H(z)$ of the composite filter.

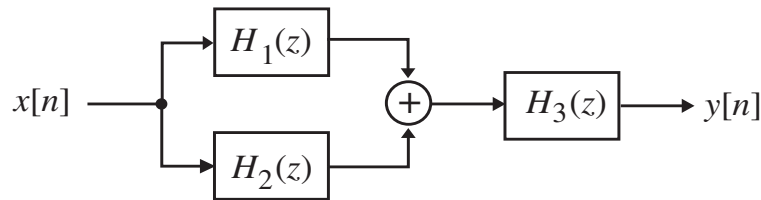


Figure E6.1

Answer: $H(z) = H_1(z)[H_2(z) + H_3(z)] = (3 + 2z^{-1} + 4z^{-2})\left(\left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{2}{5} + \frac{8}{5}\right)z^{-1} + \left(\frac{4}{7} + \frac{3}{7}\right)z^{-2}\right) = (3 + 2z^{-1} + 4z^{-2})(2 + 2z^{-1} + z^{-2}) = 6 + 10z^{-1} + 15z^{-2} + 10z^{-3} + 4z^{-4}$.

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Example E6.8: Determine the transfer function of a causal LTI discrete-time system described by the difference equation

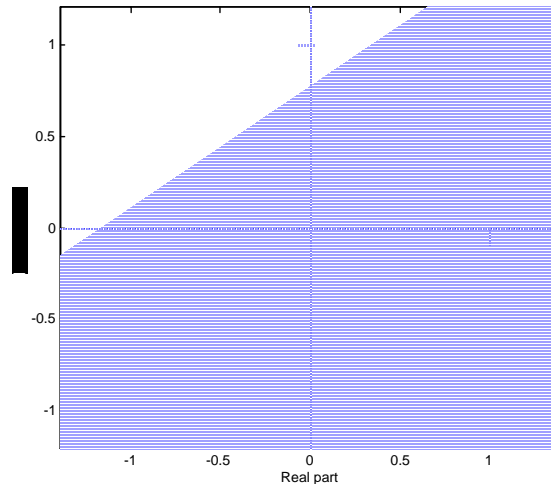
$$y[n] = 5x[n] - 5x[n-1] + 0.4x[n-2] + 0.32x[n-3] - 0.5y[n-1] + 0.34y[n-2] + 0.08y[n-3]$$

Express the transfer function in a factored form and sketch its pole-zero plot. Is the system BIBO stable?

Answer: $H(z) = \frac{5 - 5z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2} + 0.32z^{-3}}{1 + 0.5z^{-1} - 0.34z^{-2} - 0.08z^{-3}} = 5 \cdot \frac{(1 - 0.8z^{-1})(1 - 0.4z^{-1})(1 + 0.2z^{-1})}{(1 + 0.8z^{-1})(1 - 0.5z^{-1})(1 + 0.2z^{-1})}$

$= 5 \cdot \frac{(1 - 0.8z^{-1})(1 - 0.4z^{-1})}{(1 + 0.8z^{-1})(1 - 0.5z^{-1})}$, obtained using the M-file `roots`. The pole-zero plot obtained

using the M-file `zplane` is shown below. It can be seen from this plot and the factored form of $H(z)$, the transfer function is BIBO stable as all poles are inside the unit circle. Note also from the plot the pole-zero cancellation at $z = -0.2$.



Example E6.9: Determine the expression for the impulse response $h[n]$ of the following causal IIR transfer function:

$$H(z) = \frac{-0.1z^{-1} + 2.19z^{-2}}{(1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.41z^{-2})(1 + 0.3z^{-1})}$$

Answer: $H(z) = \frac{-0.1z^{-1} + 2.19z^{-2}}{(1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2})(1 + 0.3z^{-1})} = \frac{A + Bz^{-1}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}} + \frac{C}{1 + 0.3z^{-1}}$, where

$$C = \left. \frac{-0.1z^{-1} + 2.19z^{-2}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}} \right|_{z^{-1} = -1/0.3} = 3, \text{ Thus,}$$

$$\frac{A + Bz^{-1}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}} = \frac{-0.1z^{-1} + 2.19z^{-2}}{(1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2})(1 + 0.3z^{-1})} - \frac{3}{1 + 0.3z^{-1}} = \frac{-3 + 3.2z^{-1}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}}$$

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Hence, $H(z) = \frac{-3 + 3.2z^{-1}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}} + \frac{3}{1 + 0.3z^{-1}} = -3 \left[\frac{1 - 1.0667z^{-1}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}} \right] + \frac{3}{1 + 0.3z^{-1}}$. Now, using Table 6.1 we observe $r^2 = 0.4$ and $r \cos \omega_0 = 0.8$. Therefore, $r = \sqrt{0.4} = 0.6325$ and $\cos \omega_0 = \sqrt{0.4}$ or $\omega_0 = \cos^{-1}(\sqrt{0.4}) = 0.8861$. Hence $r \sin \omega_0 = \sqrt{0.4} \sin(0.8861) = 0.4899$. We can thus write $\frac{1 - 1.0667z^{-1}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}} = \frac{1 - 0.4z^{-1}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}} - 1.3609 \left(\frac{0.4899z^{-1}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}} \right)$. The inverse z-transform of this function is thus given by $(0.6325)^n \cos(0.8861n) \mu[n] - 1.3609(0.6325)^n \sin(0.8861n) \mu[n]$. Hence, the inverse z-transform of $H(z)$ is given by $h[n] = 3(0.6325)^n \cos(0.8861n) \mu[n] - 4.0827(0.6325)^n \sin(0.8861n) \mu[n] - 3(-0.3)^n \mu[n]$.

Example E6.10: The transfer function of a causal LTI discrete-time system is given by

$$H(z) = \frac{6 - z^{-1}}{1 + 0.5z^{-1}} + \frac{2}{1 - 0.4z^{-1}}.$$

(a) Determine the impulse response $h[n]$ of the above system.

(b) Determine the output $y[n]$ of the above system for all values of n for an input

$$x[n] = 1.2(-0.2)^n \mu[n] - 0.2(0.3)^n \mu[n].$$

Answer: (a) $H(z) = \frac{6 - z^{-1}}{1 + 0.5z^{-1}} + \frac{2}{1 - 0.4z^{-1}} = k + \frac{A}{1 + 0.5z^{-1}} + \frac{2}{1 - 0.4z^{-1}}$ where

$$A = (6 - z^{-1}) \Big|_{z^{-1} = -2} = 8 \quad \text{and} \quad k = \frac{6 - z^{-1}}{1 + 0.5z^{-1}} \Big|_{z^{-1} = \infty} = -2. \quad \text{Therefore,}$$

$$H(z) = -2 + \frac{8}{1 + 0.5z^{-1}} + \frac{2}{1 - 0.4z^{-1}}. \quad \text{Hence, the inverse}$$

z-transform of $H(z)$ is given by $h[n] = -2\delta[n] + 8(-0.5)^n \mu[n] + 2(0.4)^n \mu[n]$.

(b) The z-transform of $x[n]$ is given by

$$X(z) = \frac{1.2}{1 + 0.2z^{-1}} - \frac{0.2}{1 - 0.3z^{-1}} = \frac{1 - 0.4z^{-1}}{(1 + 0.2z^{-1})(1 - 0.3z^{-1})}, \quad |z| > 0.3. \quad \text{Therefore,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y(z) &= H(z)X(z) = \left[\frac{6 - z^{-1}}{1 + 0.5z^{-1}} + \frac{2}{1 - 0.4z^{-1}} \right] \frac{1 - 0.4z^{-1}}{(1 + 0.2z^{-1})(1 - 0.3z^{-1})} \\ &= \left[\frac{8 - 2.4z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}}{(1 + 0.5z^{-1})(1 - 0.4z^{-1})} \right] \frac{1 - 0.4z^{-1}}{(1 + 0.2z^{-1})(1 - 0.3z^{-1})} = \frac{8 - 2.4z^{-1} + 0.4z^{-2}}{(1 + 0.5z^{-1})(1 + 0.2z^{-1})(1 - 0.3z^{-1})}, \\ &|z| > 0.5. \end{aligned}$$

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A partial-fraction expansion of $Y(z)$ yields $Y(z) = \frac{15}{1 + 0.5z^{-1}} - \frac{8}{1 + 0.2z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1 - 0.3z^{-1}}$. Hence, the inverse z-transform of $Y(z)$ is given by $y[n] = 15(-0.5)^n \mu[n] - 8(-0.2)^n \mu[n] + (0.3)^n \mu[n]$.

Example E6.11: Determine the magnitude and phase responses of the causal IIR transfer function

$$H(z) = \frac{\alpha z^{-1}}{1 - \alpha z^{-1}}.$$

Answer: The frequency response of the above transfer function is given by

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{\alpha e^{-j\omega}}{1 - \alpha e^{-j\omega}} = \frac{\alpha e^{-j\omega}}{(1 - \alpha \cos \omega) + j\alpha \sin \omega}.$$

Hence the magnitude responses is given by

$$\left| H(e^{j\omega}) \right| = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{(1 - \alpha \cos \omega)^2 + \alpha^2 \sin^2 \omega}} = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2(1 - \alpha \cos \omega)}}$$

and the phase response is given by

$$\arg \left[H(e^{j\omega}) \right] = -\omega - \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\alpha \sin \omega}{1 - \alpha \cos \omega} \right).$$
