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Z - Transform

The z-transform is a very important tool in describing and analyzing digital systems. It also offers the techniques for digital filter design and frequency analysis of digital signals.

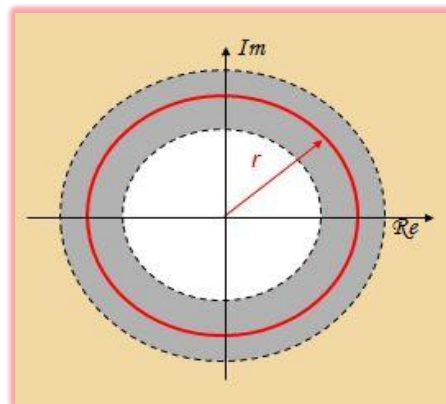
The z-transform of a sequence $x(n)$, designated by $X(z)$ or $Z(x(n))$, is defined as:

$$X(z) = Z(x(n)) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n} = \dots + x(-1)z^1 + x(0)z^{-0} + x(1)z^{-1} + x(2)z^{-2} + \dots$$

Where, z is the complex variable, n is an integer time index.

Region of Convergence (ROC)

The region of convergence (*ROC*) is the set of points (z) in the complex plane, for which the summation is bounded (converges) as shown in the figure below.



$$\left| \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)z^{-n} \right| < \infty$$

The region of convergence is defined based on the particular sequence $x(n)$ being applied.

Applications of z-transform

This transform is used in many applications of mathematics and signal processing such as:

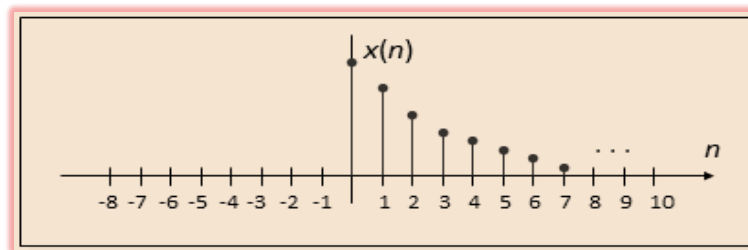
- Analysis of digital filters.

- Simulating and analysing continuous and discrete systems.
- Used to finding frequency response.
- Analysis of discrete signals.
- Helps in system design and checks the system stability.

Example

Find the Z-transform including region of convergence for the following causal sequence

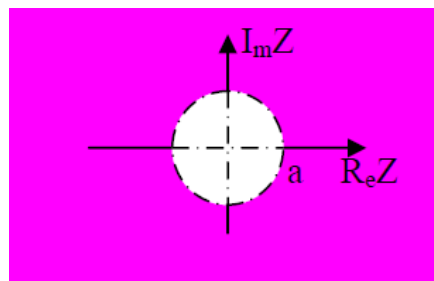
$$x(n) = a^n u(n)$$



Solution:

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a^n u(n) \cdot z^{-n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (az^{-1})^n = \frac{1}{1-az^{-1}} = \frac{z}{z-a}$$

ROC for the sequence is $|z| > |a|$. The region of convergence (ROC) is outside the unit circle only.



Example

Find Z.T including region of convergence of $x(n) = -a^n u(-n-1)$.

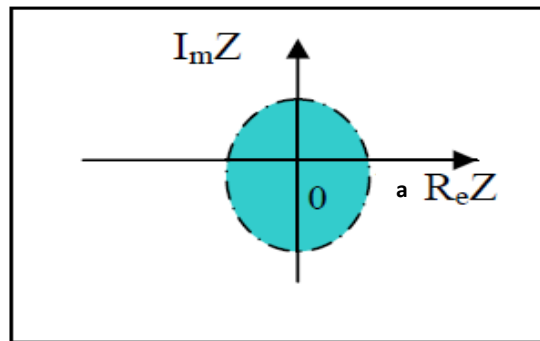
Solution:

The system is non-causal

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} -a^n u(-n-1) \cdot z^{-n} = - \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} a^n z^{-n} = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a^{-n} z^n$$

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

ROC for the sequence is $|z| < |a|$. The region of convergence (ROC) is inside the unit circle only.



Properties of Z.T

1- Linearity

The z-transform is a linear transformation, which implies

$$Z(ax_1(n) \pm bx_2(n)) = aX_1(z) \pm bX_2(z)$$

Where a and b are constants

$$ROC = ROC1 \cap ROC2$$

2- Shift theorem (without initial conditions)

Given $X(z)$, the z-transform of a sequence $x(n)$, the z-transform of $x(n - m)$, the time-shifted sequence, is given by;

$$z\{x(n-m)\} = z^{-m} X(z)$$

3- Convolution

Given two sequences $x_1(n)$ and $x_2(n)$, their convolution can be determined as follows:

$$x(n) = x_1(n) * x_2(n) \leftrightarrow X(z) = X_1(z) X_2(z)$$

Basic Steps:

1. Compute z-Transform of each of the signals to convolve (time domain \rightarrow z-domain):

$$X_1(z) = Z[x_1(n)] \quad , \quad X_2(z) = Z[x_2(n)]$$

2. Multiply the two z-Transforms (in z-domain): $X(z) = X_1(z) X_2(z)$

3. Find the inverse z-Transform of the product (z-domain \rightarrow time domain):

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

4- Multiplication by exponential

$$Z\{x(n)\} = X(z);$$

$$Z\{e^{\pm an}x(n)\} = X(e^{\mp a}z)$$

5- Initial and final value theorems

If the z-transform of the $x(n)$ is $X(z)$, and if $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} zX(z)$ exists, then the initial value of $x(n)$ (i.e., $x(0)$) is

$$x(0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} zX(z)$$

If the z-transform of the $x(n)$ is $X(z)$, and if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x(n)$ exists, then the value of $x(n)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ is given by:

$$x(\infty) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x(n) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} [(z-1) \cdot X(z)]$$

6- Multiplication by n (Differentiation of X(z))

$$z\{nx(n)\} = -z \frac{d}{dz} X(z)$$

Example

Determine the z-transform and the ROC of the signal $x(n) = [3(2^n) - 4(3^n)] u(n)$.

Solution:

If we define $x_1(n) = 2^n u(n)$, $x_2(n) = 3^n u(n)$

Then,

$$x(n) = [3x_1(n) - 4x_2(n)]$$

$$X(z) = 3 X_1(z) - 4 X_2(z)$$

As we know from z-transform pair $a^n u(n) = \frac{1}{1-az^{-1}}$

$$\text{So, } X(z) = \frac{3}{1-2z^{-1}} - \frac{4}{1-3z^{-1}} \quad \text{ROC is } |z| > 3$$