

Module 6: The z-Transform

- In modules 4 and 5, we learned how to write a signal $x[n]$ as a sum of the "spectral" basis functions

$$\left\{ e^{j\omega n} \right\}_{\omega \in [-\pi, \pi)}$$

- We did this using the discrete-time Fourier transform (DTFT):

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

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega.$$

- This made it much easier (than convolution) to find the output of an LTI system by using the DTFT convolution property:

$$\text{if } y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$$

$$\text{then } Y(e^{j\omega}) = X(e^{j\omega}) H(e^{j\omega}).$$

- But we also saw on p. 5.100 that there are some "bad" signals like $x[n] = 2^n u[n]$ that do not have a DTFT...

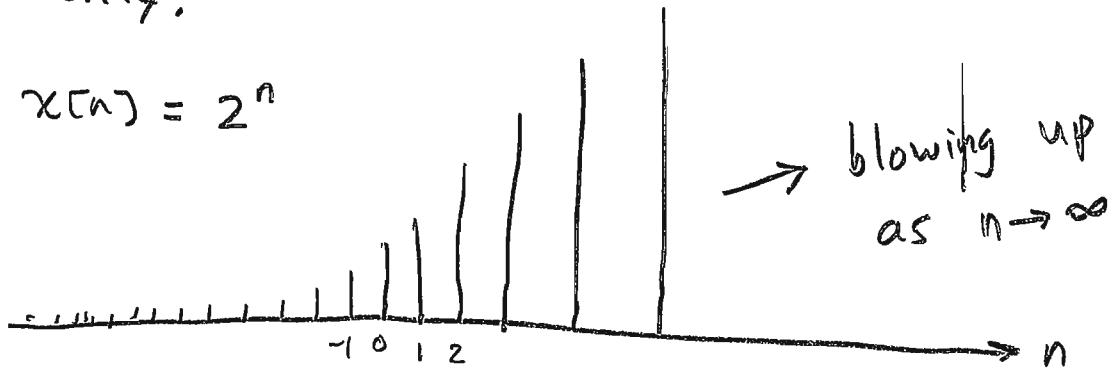
→ For such signals, the DTFT sum fails to converge... and so $X(e^{j\omega})$ does not exist.

- So what are we supposed to do when our system input is one of these "bad" signals?

ANSWER: in many cases, we can use a more powerful transform called the "z-transform."

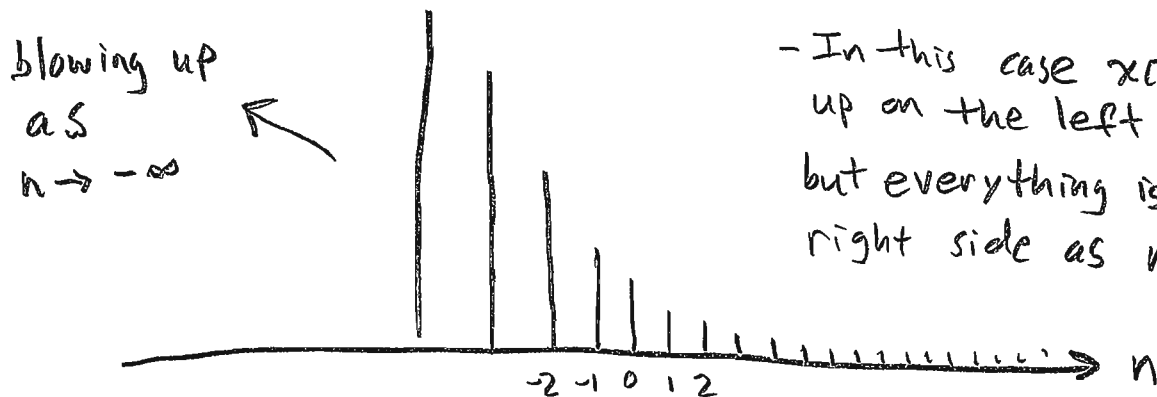
- The z-transform will generally solve the problem if the "badness" is at most polynomial badness on one side only.

EX: $x[n] = 2^n$



→ In this case, $x[n]$ is blowing up on the right side as $n \rightarrow \infty$, but everything is okay on the left side as $n \rightarrow -\infty$.

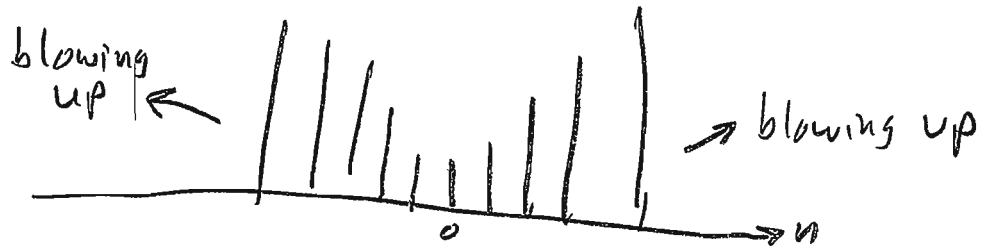
EX: $x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$



- In this case $x[n]$ is blowing up on the left side as $n \rightarrow -\infty$, but everything is okay on the right side as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

- The z-transform can help with both of these examples, because in both cases the badness is only on one side.

- For a super bad signal like $x[n] = 2^{|n|}$



that is blowing up on both sides (both as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and as $n \rightarrow -\infty$), the z-transform will not be able to help.

☆☆☆ Important Note : the fastest and easiest way to understand the z-transform is to not think about z-transforms at first!!

- Instead, let us focus on how to make a fixed up discrete Fourier transform first.

- Then we will worry about the z-transform after that.

- So let's start by assuming that we have a bad guy $x[n]$ who is bad on one side only...

- Like $x[n] = 2^n$ or $x[n] = 2^n u[n]$.

→ Bad on the right side

- Or like $x[n] = (\frac{1}{2})^n$ or $x[n] = (\frac{1}{2})^n u[-n]$.

→ Bad on the left side.

- Our strategy will be to make a "fixed up" guy by multiplying $x[n]$ times a "fixer-upper" function.

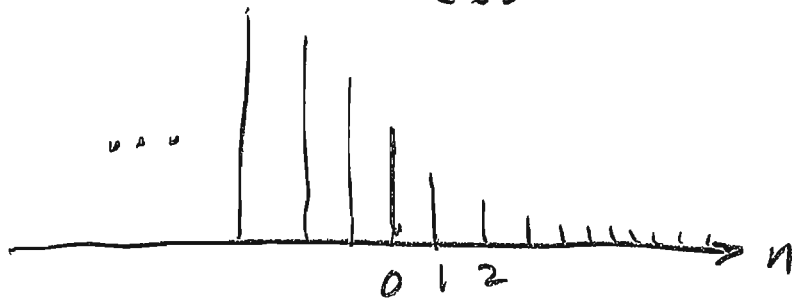
→ Then we will take the DTFT of the fixed up guy.

⇒ Our fixer-upper functions will be of the form r^{-n} where the "fixer-upper parameter" r is a non-negative real number.

→ In other words, r will be a real number such that $r \geq 0$.

EX: if $r=3$, then the fixer-upper is

$$r^{-n} = 3^{-n} = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n$$



- This can fix things up on the right side... because the fixer-upper function 3^{-n} is going to zero faster than any finite order polynomial in the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

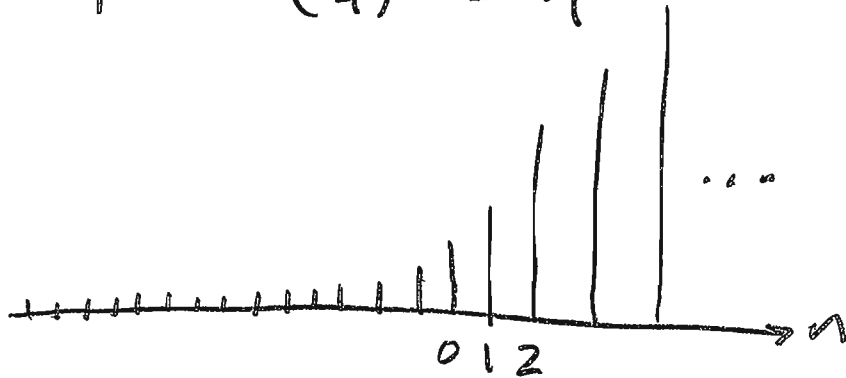
→ but this fixer-upper function is also blowing up on the left in the limit as $n \rightarrow -\infty$.

- So the fixer-upper 3^{-n} can fix up a bad guy $\chi(n)$ who is bad on the right.

⇒ But for a bad guy who is bad on the left, this fixer upper (3^{-n}) will only make things worse.

EX: if $r = \frac{1}{4}$, then the fixer-upper is

$$r^{-n} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-n} = 4^n$$



- This can fix things up on the left side... because the fixer-upper function $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-n} = 4^n$ is going to zero faster than any finite order polynomial in the limit as $n \rightarrow -\infty$.

→ But this fixer-upper function can not help with a bad guy who is bad on the right side!

→ Because this fixer-upper function $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-n} = 4^n$ is blowing up in the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

→ For a bad guy $x(n)$ who is bad on the right, the fixer-upper $\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-n} = 4^n$ will only make things worse!

- So we have the important fact that the fixer-upper function r^{-n} can only fix up on one side.

→ If the fixer-upper parameter $r > 1$, then the fixer-upper function r^{-n} can fix up bad guys $x[n]$ who are bad on the right... but only makes things worse for guys who are bad on the left.

→ if $0 < r < 1$, then the fixer-upper function r^{-n} can fix up bad guys $x[n]$ who are bad on the left... but only makes things worse for guys who are bad on the right.

⇒ The fixed up guy is obtained by multiplying the signal $x[n]$ times the fixer-upper r^{-n} ;

The guy (signal): $x[n]$

The "fixed up" guy: $x[n] r^{-n}$

→ But we must choose the fixer-upper parameter r carefully... or else it will not fix things up at all... it will make them worse!

EX: $x[n] = 2^n u[n]$



- This guy is bad on the right.
- As we saw on p. 5.100, this guy does not have a DTFT $X(e^{j\omega})$... because he is so bad on the right that he makes the DTFT sum diverge.

- Now suppose we take the fixer-upper parameter to be $r=3$.

- Then the fixer-upper function is $r^{-n} = 3^{-n} = (\frac{1}{3})^n$

- The fixed up guy is $x[n]r^{-n} = 2^n (\frac{1}{3})^n u[n]$
 $= (\frac{2}{3})^n u[n]$.

- We will now take the DTFT of the fixed up guy.

- Because this fixed up DTFT is a transform that depends on both the frequency variable ω and the fixer-upper parameter r , we will write it as:

$$X(r, \omega) = \text{DTFT} \{ x[n]r^{-n} \}$$



EX... we have:

$$\begin{aligned}X(r, \omega) &= \text{DTFT} \{ x[n] 3^{-n} \} \\&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] 3^{-n} e^{-j\omega n} \\&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^n u[n] 3^{-n} e^{-j\omega n} \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n 3^{-n} e^{-j\omega n} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{because } u[n]=0 \\ \forall n < 0 \end{array} \right) \\&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^n e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3} e^{-j\omega} \right)^n \\&= \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^A \left(\frac{2}{3} e^{-j\omega} \right)^n \\&= \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{2}{3} e^{-j\omega} \right)^0 - \left(\frac{2}{3} e^{-j\omega} \right)^{A+1}}{1 - \frac{2}{3} e^{-j\omega}} \\&= \frac{1-0}{1 - \frac{2}{3} e^{-j\omega}} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{2}{3} e^{-j\omega}} \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow So the fixer-upper worked and the fixed up guy $x[n] r^{-n}$ does have a DTFT $X(r, \omega)$ when we choose $r=3$.

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But if we instead choose $r = \frac{1}{4}$, then it will not work... the DTFT of the fixed up guy will still diverge:

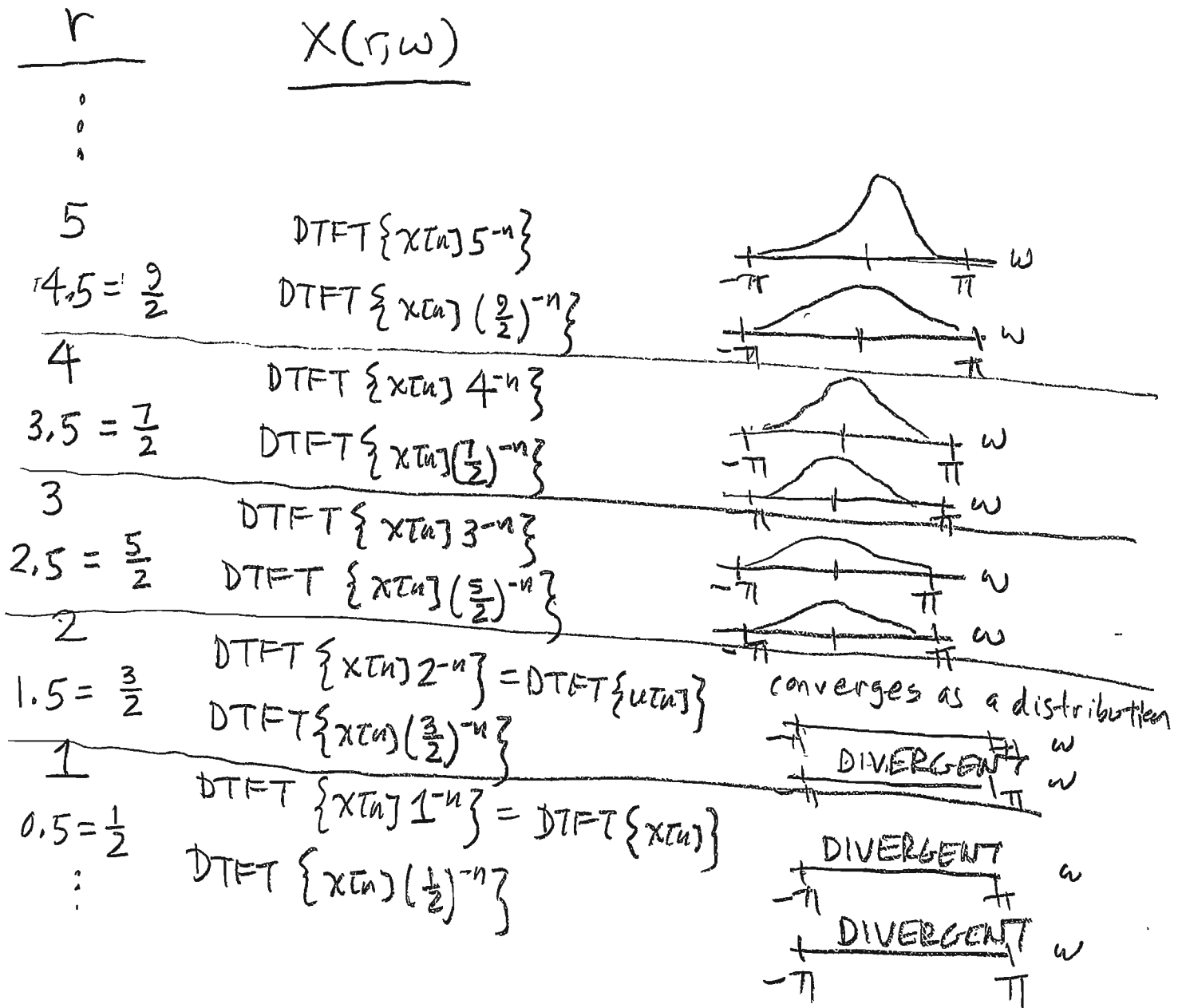
$$\begin{aligned} X(r, \omega) \Big|_{r=\frac{1}{4}} &= \text{DTFT} \left\{ x[n] \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-n} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-n} e^{-j\omega n} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^n u[n] \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-n} e^{-j\omega n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-n} e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n 4^n e^{-j\omega n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 8^n e^{-j\omega n} \longrightarrow \text{divergent!!!} \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow For this bad guy $x[n] = 2^n u[n]$,

- if we choose $r > 2$, then the fixer-upper will help, and $X(r, \omega) = \text{DTFT} \{ x[n] r^{-n} \}$ will converge.

- But if we choose $0 < r < 2$, then the fixer-upper will not help, and $X(r, \omega)$ will diverge.

- So in general, we think of $X(r, \omega)$ as a family of "fixed up" transforms for all the different possible choices of r .



"A family of fixed up DTFTs"

- In reality, we do this for all real choices of $r > 0$, not just the ones shown here.

Some Important Observations about the fixer-upper:

① - Increasing r makes the fixer-upper function r^{-n} fix up more on the right.

- As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $5^{-n} = (\frac{1}{5})^n$ goes to zero faster than $2^{-n} = (\frac{1}{2})^n$.

② - Decreasing r makes the fixer-upper function r^{-n} fix up more on the left.

- As $n \rightarrow -\infty$, $(\frac{1}{10})^{-n} = 10^n$ goes to zero faster than $(\frac{1}{2})^{-n} = 2^n$.

③ - When $r=1$, the fixer-upper function is

$$r^{-n} = 1^{-n} = 1^n = 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

→ So the fixed up guy is $x[n]r^{-n} = x[n]$ and the fixer-upper does nothing.

⇒ In this case, we get

$$\begin{aligned} X(r, \omega) &= \text{DTFT} \{ x[n] 1^n \} \\ &= \text{DTFT} \{ x[n] \} = X(e^{j\omega}) \end{aligned}$$

- Now, to look at the family of fixed up transforms $X(r, \omega)$, we do something that is going to seem pretty crazy at first.

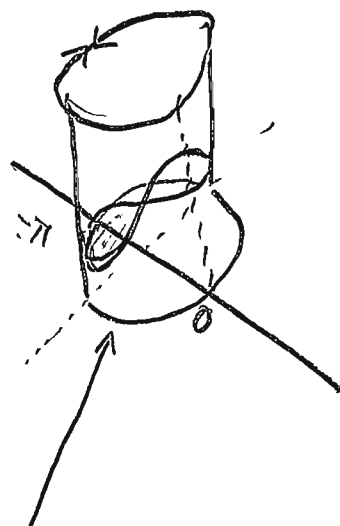
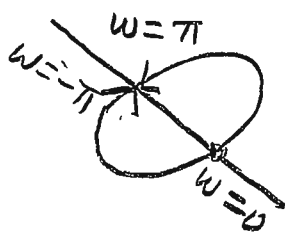
- Recall from pp. 4.31 - 4.33 that any DTFT is 2π -periodic.

- Even though the graphs of the functions $X(r, \omega)$ shown on p. 6.11 only go from $-\pi$ to π , in reality every one of those graphs is 2π -periodic in ω .

- To represent this, we take each graph on p. 6.11 and wrap the horizontal ω -axis around a circle ... so that the point $\omega = -\pi$ touches the point $\omega = +\pi$...

EX: $r=3$:

$$X(3, \omega) = \text{DTFT} \{x(n)3^{-n}\}$$



The graph is wrapped around a cylinder.

- We make the radius of each cylinder equal to r .

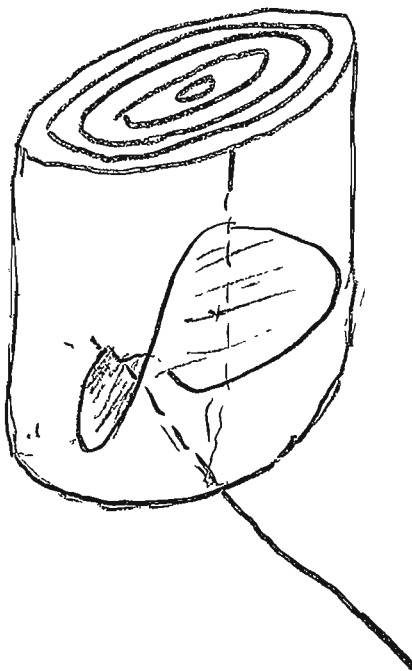
- The graph of $X(5, \omega) = \text{DTFT}\{x(n)5^{-n}\}$
is wrapped around a cylinder of radius 5.

- The graph of $X(3, \omega)$ is wrapped around a
cylinder of radius 3.

- And we do this for all real choices
of r in the range $r > 0$.

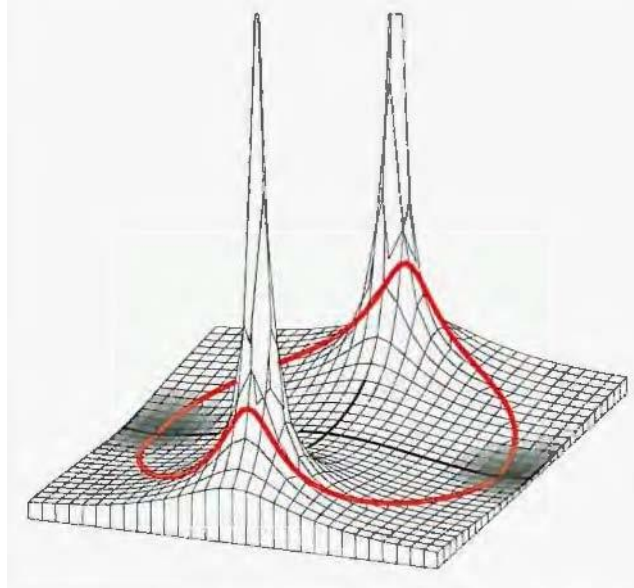
- Then we put the smaller radius cylinders
inside the larger radius cylinders like Russian
dolls;

- The graphs for
all cylinders
corresponding
to $r > 0$ now
form a



surface... that is the 3D plot of the
function $X(r, \omega)$.

- Here is an example of what the 3D plot of $X(r, \omega)$ might look like (without showing the cylinders):



- The orange line goes through the plot exactly above the circle of radius 1. It shows the graph of the DTFT of the “fixed up guy” when the fixer-upper parameter is $r = 1$.
- In other words, the orange line shows a graph of the DTFT of $x[n] \times 1^{-n}$, which is the graph of the DTFT of $x[n]$; i.e., it is $X(e^{j\omega})$.
- This graph of $X(e^{j\omega})$ is wrapped around the circle of radius 1 in the plane below the plot.
- Going around circles of other radii, like $r=2$, or $r=3$, or $r=1/2$ would give the graphs of the DTFT’s of other fixed up guys $x[n] \times r^{-n}$... all wrapped around circles of radius r .

- Now let's extend these ideas and learn what the z -transform is all about.
- We have that $X(r, \omega)$ is actually a collection or family of DTFTs of fixed up guys $x[n]r^{-n}$ for all real choices of $r > 0$. Actually, $r \geq 0$.
- It is a 3D surface made out of DTFTs of $x[n]r^{-n}$, all wrapped around circles with radius r .
- In other words,

$$\begin{aligned}
 X(r, \omega) &= \text{DTFT} \{ x[n]r^{-n} \} \\
 &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]r^{-n} e^{-j\omega n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] (re^{j\omega})^{-n} \quad (*)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Now, $r \geq 0$ and both r and ω are real
- So $re^{j\omega}$ can be thought of as a complex number in polar form.

- The magnitude is the fixer-upper parameter r .
- The angle is the DTFT frequency variable ω .

- To get the z-transform, we simply name this complex number $re^{j\omega}$... we call it "z".
- Then, eq. (*) on p. 6.16 becomes:

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

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

$\equiv X(z)$, the z-transform of $x[n]$

- The z-transform $X(z)$ is a complex-valued function that contains the DTFTs of the fixed up guys $x[n]r^{-n}$ for all choices of $r > 0$.
- These DTFTs are all graphed above a plane where the independent variable is $z = re^{j\omega}$.
- This plane is called the "z-plane" or sometimes the "complex z-plane".
- Above circles where the DTFT of the fixed up guy $x[n]r^{-n}$ does not blow up, the z-transform $X(z)$ converges.

- The set of circles in the z -plane where $X(z)$ converges (does not blow up) is called the "Region of Convergence" or "ROC".

- Above circles where the DTFT of $x[n]r^{-n}$ blows up, $X(z)$ also diverges obviously.

⇒ These circles in the z -plane where $X(z)$ blows up are not part of the ROC.

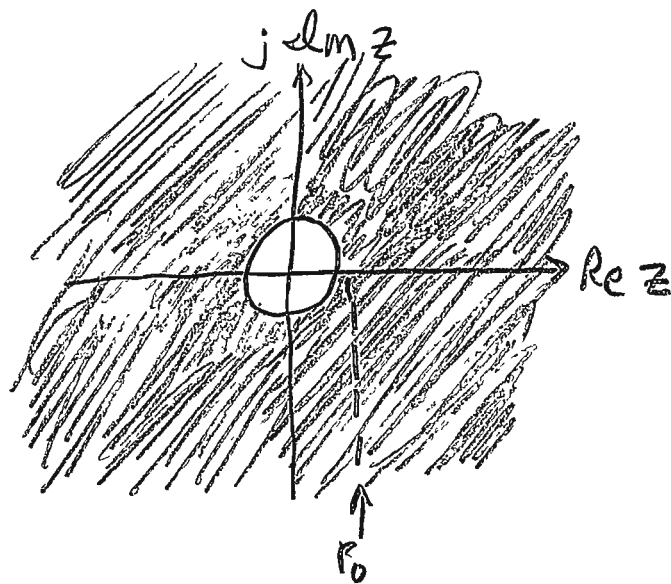
- Remember: for a "bad" $x[n]$, there will generally be some set of choices for r that help and make the DTFT of $x[n]r^{-n}$ converge. The set of circles in the z -plane with these r for radii is the "region of convergence" or ROC of $X(z)$.

- Likewise, there will generally be some set of choices for r that don't help or make things worse... for these r , the DTFT of $x[n]r^{-n}$ blows up... in other words, $X(z)$ blows up for these choices of r .

- The ROC of $X(z)$ does not include the circles in the z -plane that have radii equal to these "bad" choices of r .

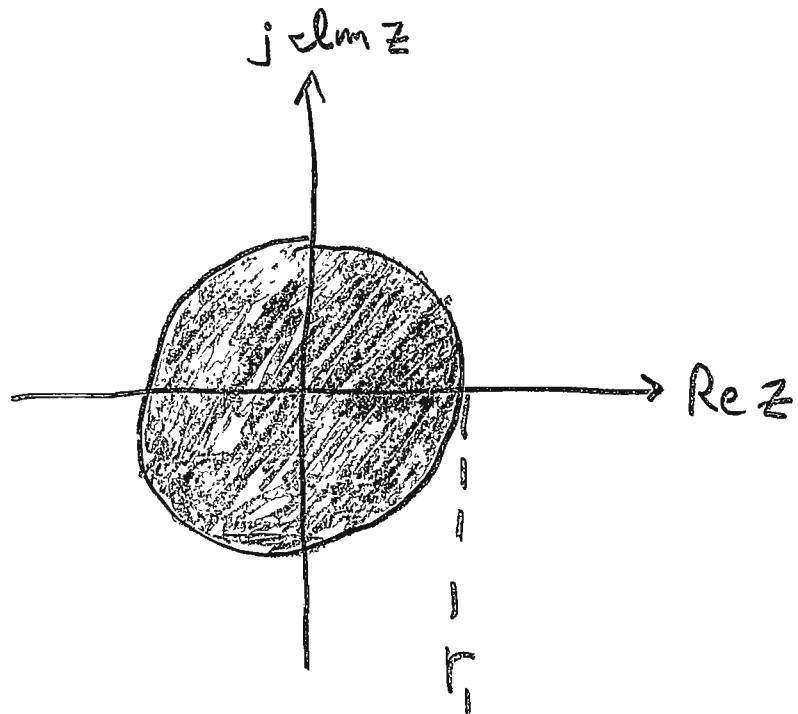
- We don't usually try to plot the z-transform $X(z)$ by hand.
- But we frequently do need to plot the ROC of $X(z)$ in the z-plane.
- There are several possibilities:

- The ROC can be the union of all circles with radii greater than some minimum value... call it r_0 :



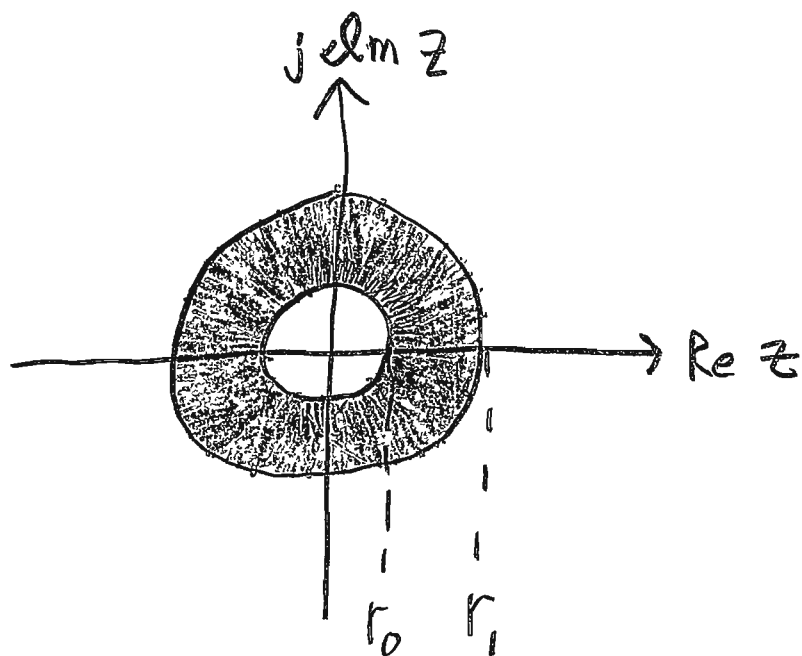
- This is called an exterior ROC.
- It includes all the circles with radius $> r_0$.

- Or the ROC can be the set of all circles with radius less than some maximum value r_1 :



- This is called an interior ROC.
- It includes all the circles with radius $< r_1$.
- As we will see later, it might or might not include the circle of radius zero, which is really just the single point $z=0$,

- Or the ROC could be the union of all the circles with radii between some minimum value r_0 and some maximum value r_1 :



- This is called an annular ROC.

- It contains all the circles in the z-plane such that $r_0 < r < r_1$.

- Finally, the ROC might be the whole z-plane, or the whole z-plane except the point $z=0$.

ALWAYS REMEMBER : z is a complex

variable. We think of it as $z = re^{j\omega}$,
where r , the magnitude of z , is the fixer
upper parameter and ω , the angle of z ,
is the DTFT frequency variable.

- To invert the z -transform, we can take the
inverse DTFT around any circle in the z -plane
where the DTFT of $x[n]r^{-n}$ does not blow up.

- In other words, we can integrate $X(z)e^{j\omega n}$
around any circle that is in the ROC.

- This will give us back $x[n]r^{-n}$. We have
to multiply that by r^n to get back $x[n]$.

- In other words, we invert the z -transform
by integrating $X(z)r^n e^{j\omega n}$ around any
circle in the z -plane that is included
in the ROC.

- This requires performing contour integration of $X(z)$,

→ You have probably not yet had a math class where contour integration was taught.

→ Therefore, in ECE 2713 we will not compute inverse z-transforms from the definition, which is a complex contour integral,

→ Instead, we will compute inverse z-transforms by table lookup.

- Now, finally, here are the formal definitions of the z-transform and the inverse z-transform:

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

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

- The formula sheets for Test 2 and the Final Exam that are available on the course web site have a table of z -transform pairs and a table of z -transform properties.

Note: the circle of radius $r=1$ in the z -plane is very important; It is called the "unit circle."

Recall: the z -transform is the DTFT of $x[n]r^{-n}$, including all choices of $r > 0$.

- When $r=1$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \text{DTFT} \{ x[n] 1^{-n} \} \\ &= \text{DTFT} \{ x[n] \} \\ &= X(e^{j\omega}), \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow So if $x[n]$ does have a DTFT $X(e^{j\omega})$, then the unit circle is included in the ROC of $X(z)$.

\Rightarrow If $x[n]$ does not have a DTFT $X(e^{j\omega})$, then the unit circle is not included in the ROC of $X(z)$.

- okay, let's work a z-transform.

$$\underline{\text{EX}} : x_1[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

$$X_1(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x_1[n] z^{-n} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] z^{-n}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n z^{-n} \quad (\text{because } u[n]=0 \quad \forall n < 0)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^n \quad (*)$$

- on our formula sheet, we have a sum formula that says

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha^n = \frac{1}{1-\alpha},$$

but only if $|\alpha| < 1$!!!

\Rightarrow if $|\alpha| > 1$, the sum is not equal to $\frac{1}{1-\alpha}$!!!

\Rightarrow if $|\alpha| > 1$, the sum blows up !!!

- In eq. (*) above, we've got $\alpha = \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}$,

$$\text{so } |\alpha| = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{|z|}$$

- For this to be < 1 , we've got to have

$$\frac{1}{|z|} < 2 \Rightarrow |z| > \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{!!!}$$

- otherwise, if $|z| \leq \frac{1}{2}$, the sum in eq. (*) on page 6.25 blows up.

- Applying the sum formula, we get

$$X_1(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)^n = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

ROC

→ The ROC of $X_1(z)$ is $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$.

→ For all z outside the circle of radius $\frac{1}{2}$, $X(z)$ converges and is equal to $\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$.

→ for all z on or inside the circle of radius $\frac{1}{2}$, $X(z)$ blows up.

- Now let's do another one:

EX: $x_2[n] = -\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[-n-1]$

$$\begin{aligned} X_2(z) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x_2[n] z^{-n} = -\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[-n-1] z^{-n} \\ &= -\sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n z^{-n} \quad (\text{because } u[-n-1] = 0 \ \forall n > -1) \\ &= -\sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^n \end{aligned}$$

Let $k = -n-1 \rightarrow n = -k-1$

when $n = -\infty$, $k = \infty$

when $n = -1$, $k = 1-1 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} X_2(z) &= -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^{-k-1} \\ &= -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^{-k-1} \quad (\text{order of addition does not matter}) \\ &= -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^{-k} \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^{-1} \\ &= -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2z)^k 2z = -2z \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2z)^k \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

→ Sum formula: this sum converges if:

$$|2z| < 1$$

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$$|z| < \frac{1}{2}$$

→ and blows up if $|z| \geq \frac{1}{2}$.

- Thus, provided that $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$, we get from eq. (*) on p. 6.27 that:

$$X_2(z) = (*) = -2z \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2z)^k$$

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

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

$$= \frac{-1}{\frac{1}{2}z^{-1} - 1} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{2}.$$

ROC

- Comparing this to p. 6.26, we have:

$$X_1(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

$$X_2(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{2}$$

\Rightarrow This shows that the ROC is very important.

- Without the ROC, you might think that $X_1(z)$ and $X_2(z)$ are equal.

\Rightarrow But they are not. \rightarrow

$X_1(z)$ is equal to $\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$, but only for z such that $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$.

→ on the other z 's, $X_1(z)$ is not equal to $\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$. On the z 's such that $|z| \leq \frac{1}{2}$, $X_1(z)$ blows up or diverges.

$X_2(z)$ is equal to $\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$, but only for z such that $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$.

→ on the other z 's, $X_2(z)$ is not equal to $\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$. On the z 's such that $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$, $X_2(z)$ blows up or diverges.

⇒ Thus, there are no values of z where $X_1(z) = X_2(z)$.

→ on the z 's where $X_1(z) = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$, $X_2(z)$ blows up.

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⇒ So even though $X_1(z)$ and $X_2(z)$ both have the same functional form (namely $\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$), there is no z where the two transforms are equal... because the ROC's are different.

→ In fact, they are disjoint. The set of z that are in both ROC's is empty.

- Now let's see how we would use the table to work these two transforms.

- The table of z -transforms is found on p. 7 of the formula sheet for Test 2.

- It says:

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Transform</u>	<u>ROC</u>	
$\alpha^n u[n]$	$\frac{1}{1-\alpha z^{-1}}$	$ z > \alpha $	(*)
$-\alpha^n u[-n-1]$	$\frac{1}{1-\alpha z^{-1}}$	$ z < \alpha $	(**)

- Given $x_1[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$, we use line (*) on p. 6.30 with $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ to write down the transform

$$X_1(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}.$$

- Given $x_2[n] = -\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[-n-1]$, we use line (***) on p. 6.30 with $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ to write down the transform

$$X_2(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{2}.$$

- You can also use the table to write down inverse Z-transforms... but notice that you must know the ROC to do this.

- If you were just given that $X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$, but you were not given the ROC, then you wouldn't know whether to use line (*) on p. 6.30 to find $x[n]$ or whether to use line (**).

- But if you were given that $X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$ and the ROC was $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$, then you would know that $x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$.

→ Similarly, if you were given that $X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$ and the ROC was $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$, then you would know that $x[n] = -(\frac{1}{2})^n u[-n-1]$.

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★ The Z-transforms that we will see in ECE 2713 will generally be a ratio of two polynomials in the "character" z^{-1} .

- This is very similar to what we saw for the DTFT... we saw that our discrete-time Fourier transforms were generally a ratio of two polynomials in the DTFT "character" $e^{-j\omega}$.

- As an example, suppose that we are given

$$X(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2} \quad (*)$$

- If we multiply out the denominator (using the "foil" rule), we get:

$$X(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2} \quad (**)$$

→ a ratio of two polynomials in z^{-1} .

- As with the DTFT, you need to be able to go back and forth between the form (*) on p. 6.32, where the denominator (and numerator) are factored...

- and the form (**) on p. 6.32, where the denominator (and numerator) are multiplied out.

⇒ You go back and forth between these two forms of the z -transform exactly the same as you did with the DTFT.

→ But with the z -transform, going from the "multiplied out form" (**) to the factored form (*) will often require you to do more arithmetic with fractions than was required with the DTFT.

- Nevertheless, you do it exactly the same way as you did for the DTFT.

- The nice thing about the factored form is that it explicitly shows the roots of the numerator and denominator polynomials.

Note 1: the roots of a polynomial are the values of the independent variable that make the polynomial equal to zero.

Note 2: An n 'th order polynomial has n roots.

- If the order is 2 (quadratic), then there are 2 roots.

- In our example $X(z)$ from p. 6.32, the denominator is

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

\Rightarrow If you plug in $z = \frac{1}{2}$, the term $(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})$

becomes $(1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2) = (1 - 1) = 0$,

so the denominator is zero when $z = \frac{1}{2}$.

\Rightarrow If you plug in $z = -\frac{1}{3}$, the term $(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})$

becomes $(1 + \frac{1}{3}(-3)) = (1 - 1) = 0$,

so the denominator is zero when $z = -\frac{1}{3}$.

- In general, when you write a z-transform like $X(z)$ in factored form, the numerator and denominator will each be a product of terms of the form:

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

→ This term is zero when $z = \alpha \dots$

→ Because if we plug in $z = \alpha$, we get

$$(1 - \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{\alpha}) = (1 - 1) = 0.$$

- So again looking back to the factored form of our example $X(z)$ in eq. (*) on p. 6.32, we have:

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

$\alpha = 1$ (pointing to the numerator)

$\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ (pointing to the first denominator factor)

$\alpha = -\frac{1}{3}$ (pointing to the second denominator factor)

- The numerator has one root at $z = 1$

- The denominator has two roots at $z = \frac{1}{2}$ and $z = -\frac{1}{3}$.

DEF: a rational z-transform is a z-transform that is a ratio of two polynomials in z^{-1} .

→ Most if not all of the z-transforms you will see in ECE 2713 will be rational z-transforms.

⇒ The roots of the denominator are the values of z that make the denominator zero.

→ These values make $X(z)$ blow up, because they make the denominator of $X(z)$ equal to zero.

→ These values of z are called poles of $X(z)$. ☆
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⇒ The roots of the numerator are the values of z that make the numerator zero.

→ These values of z make $X(z)$ zero, because they make the numerator of $X(z)$ equal to zero.

→ These values of z are called zeros of $X(z)$. ☆
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Summary: The roots of the denominator of $X(z)$ are the poles of $X(z)$.

The roots of the numerator are the zeros of $X(z)$.

- The Poles of $X(z)$ are the values of z that make $X(z)$ blow up,
- The zeros of $X(z)$ are the values of z that make $X(z)$ equal to zero.
- When you write $X(z)$ in factored form, the poles and zeros are shown explicitly.

EX: from p. 6.32,

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{1 - (1)z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - (-\frac{1}{3})z^{-1})} \end{aligned}$$

zeros: $z = 1$

poles: $z = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}$

Note: For any rational z -transform, there may also be additional poles and/or zeros at $z=0$ and $z=\infty$.

→ You always have to check for these.

→ The easiest way to do this is to convert the numerator and denominator from z^{-1} to z .

-Then it will be easy to see if there are additional poles and/or zeros at $z=0$ and/or $z=\infty$.

-To do this, you multiply $X(z)$ by $1 = \frac{z^m}{z^m}$,

where $m =$ highest power of z^{-1} that occurs

in either the numerator or the denominator.

EX from p. 6.32:

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

$$= \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}$$

- The highest power of z^{-1} that occurs is z^{-2} in the denominator... so $M=2$.

- To convert $X(z)$ from z^{-1} to z , multiply $X(z)$ by $1 = \frac{z^2}{z^2}$.

we get:

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}\right)} \cdot \frac{z^2}{z^2} \\ &= \frac{z [z(1 - z^{-1})]}{[z(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})][z(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})]} \\ &= \frac{z(z-1)}{(z - \frac{1}{2})(z + \frac{1}{3})} \end{aligned}$$

- From this, we can see:

- The zero we already found at $z=1$

- The poles we already found at $z = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}$

- In addition, we see that there is an additional zero at $z=0$... because this will make the numerator zero.

- There is not any extra pole or zero at $z = \infty$ because

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} X(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z(z-1)}{(z-\frac{1}{2})(z+\frac{1}{3})}$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z^2}{z^2}$$

because;

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} (z-1) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z = \infty$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} (z-\frac{1}{2}) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z = \infty$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} (z+\frac{1}{3}) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z = \infty$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} 1$$

$$= 1.$$

→ So $z = \infty$ is not a zero of $X(z)$ and it is not a pole.

⇒ So here is a complete list of all the poles and zeros of $X(z)$:

zeros: $z = 1, 0$

poles: $z = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}$

RECAP : to find the poles and zeros of a rational z -transform $X(z)$:

- ① write $X(z)$ in terms of z^{-1} .
- ② read off the roots of the numerator. These are the values α appearing in the numerator terms $(1 - \alpha z^{-1})$. They are zeros of $X(z)$.
- ③ read off the roots of the denominator. These are the values α appearing in the denominator terms $(1 - \alpha z^{-1})$. They are poles of $X(z)$.
- ④ Convert $X(z)$ from z^{-1} to z as we demonstrated on p. 6.39.
- ⑤ Plug in the value $z=0$ to check if it gives you an additional pole or zero.
- ⑥ Plug in the value $z=\infty$ to check if it gives you an additional pole or zero.

- Often, we will need to make a pole-zero plot for $X(z)$. This is a graph that shows the poles and zeros in the z -plane

- you plot the poles using the symbol "X"
- you plot the zeros using the symbol "O"
- you should always draw the unit circle on your plot.

- The pole-zero plot is also sometimes called a "p-z plot" or a "p/z plot".

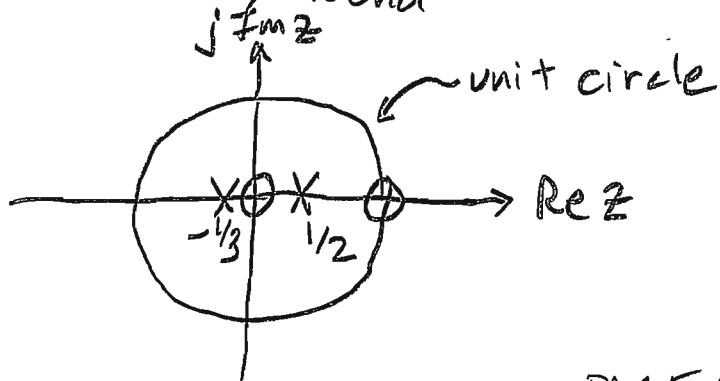
NOTE: the pole-zero plot does not depend on the ROC. You don't need to know the ROC to draw the pole-zero plot.

EX: (same one from p. 6.32 again)

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

poles: $z = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}$ } AS we already found
zeros: $z = 1, 0$ }

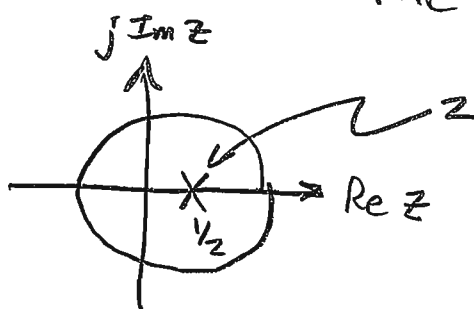
Give a pole-zero plot:



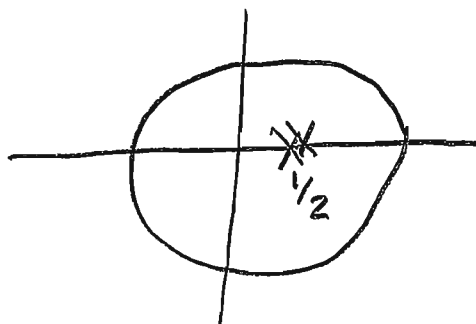
- There may be repeated roots in the numerator or denominator.

- For example, if you had $(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})^2$ in the denominator, this would be a repeated pole with multiplicity 2.

- You draw it like this in the pole-zero plot:

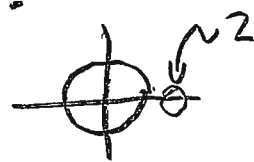


- Some people draw it with two X's instead like this:



- But that gets messy, especially if the multiplicity is > 2 .

- You draw repeated zeros the same way.



More About the ROC of $X(z)$

- Here are some more facts about the ROC of $X(z)$. You will prove them in ECE 3793.

- If $x[n]$ is right-sided, like $x[n] = (\frac{1}{2})^n u[n]$ starts at $n=0$
or $x[n] = (\frac{1}{3})^{n+2} u[n+2]$ starts at $n=-2$ for example,

- Then the ROC of $X(z)$ is exterior.
- Generally, it's everything in the z -plane outside the largest magnitude pole.

- If $x[n]$ is left-sided, like $x[n] = 2^n u[-n]$
or $x[n] = -3^n u[-n-1]$, then the ROC of $X(z)$ is interior.

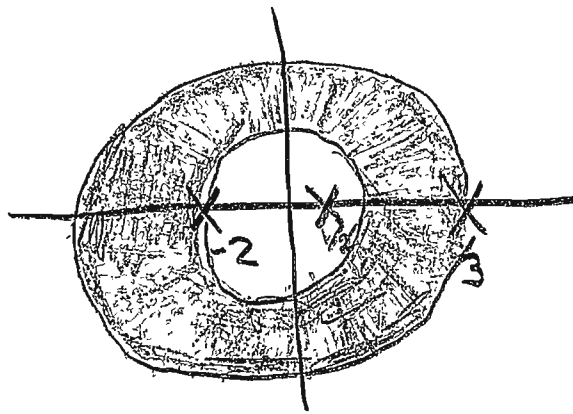
- Generally, it's everything in the z -plane inside the smallest magnitude pole.

More About The ROC...

- If $x[n]$ is two-sided, like $x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{|n|}$ or $x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + 3^n u[-n]$, then the ROC of $X(z)$ is annular.
- Generally, it's everything in the z -plane that lies in a donut between two of the poles.

EX :

Everything in a donut between the poles at $z = -2$ and $z = 3$,



- Note that "between" here means that the donut is made of circles with radii r lying between the magnitude of the pole at $z = -2$ and the magnitude of the pole at $z = 3$.
- For the z -transform, the ROC is always a union of circles.

More About ROC...

- If $x[n]$ is finite length, like

$$x[n] = \delta[n] + 2\delta[n-1] - 3\delta[n-2] \quad \text{or}$$

$$x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \{u[n] - u[n-5]\}, \quad \text{then}$$

the ROC of $X(z)$ will be the whole z -plane except possibly the point $z=0$.

- Remember: you always have to check the two points $z=0$ and $z=\infty$.

- Any rational $X(z)$ could have a pole or a zero at $z=0$.

- If there is a pole at $z=0$, then the point $z=0$ is not in the ROC.

\Rightarrow The ROC of $X(z)$ is the set of z in the z -plane where $X(z)$ converges.

\Rightarrow Poles are the values of z where $X(z)$ blows up.

\Rightarrow There can't be any poles in the ROC. ~~***~~

- Here are some of the shorthand ways that we write " $x[n]$ and $X(z)$ are a z-transform pair ":

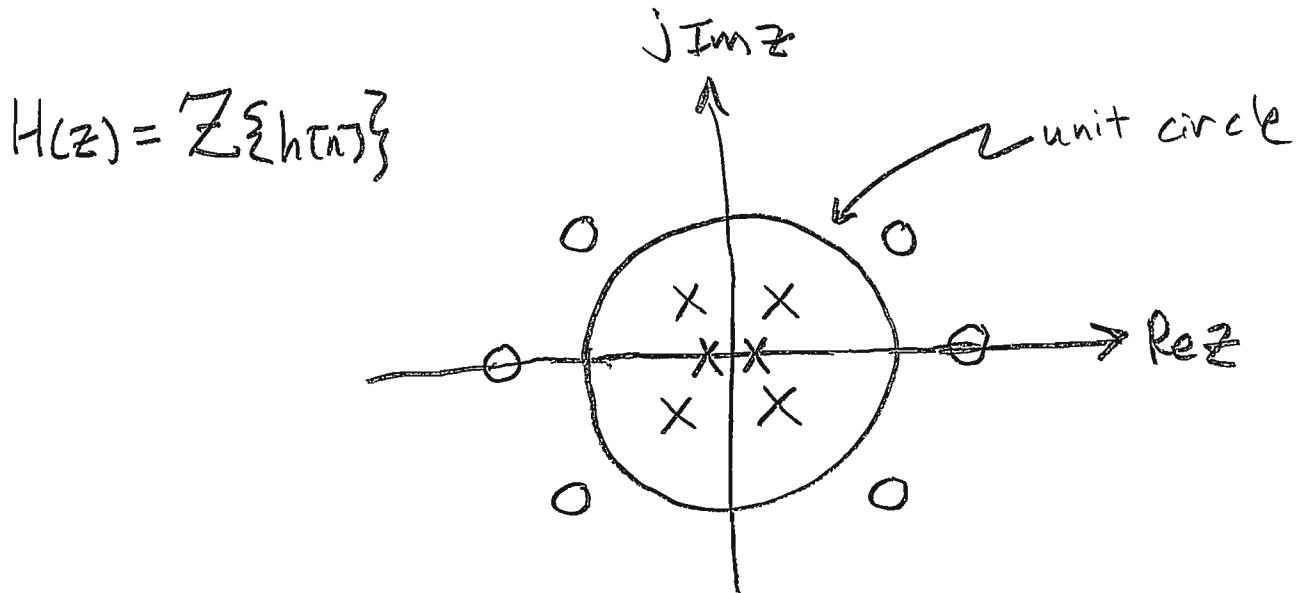
$$X(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{x[n]\} \quad x[n] = \mathcal{Z}^{-1}\{X(z)\}$$

$$x[n] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} X(z)$$

Note: for all the z-transforms we have seen so far, the poles and zeros have been real.

- In ECE 2713 we will try to stick to cases where the poles and zeros are real.
- But you must be aware that this is not the case in general.
 - Especially for "real world" digital filters, the poles and zeros will generally be complex.

- Here is an example of what the pole-zero plot of $H(z)$ might look like for a real-world digital filter with impulse response $h[n]$:



- Here, $H(z)$ has:

- Two real poles
- Four complex poles
- Two real zeros
- Four complex zeros

FACT: if $X(z)$ is a rational z-transform,

- and if the numerator and denominator polynomials have real coefficients,

- Then the poles are real or occur in complex conjugate pairs.
- The zeros are also real or occur in complex conjugate pairs.

- Now here is an example of finding a z-transform when there are two terms:

$$\text{Given: } x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n]$$

$$\text{Table w/ } \alpha = \frac{1}{2}: \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Table w/ } \alpha = -\frac{1}{3}: \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } X(z) &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}}_{\text{one}} + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{\text{one}} \\ &\quad \text{one} \leftarrow \text{to get a common denominator} \rightarrow \text{one} \\ &= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} + \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{1 + 1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} = \frac{2 + \frac{2}{6}z^{-1} - \frac{3}{6}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} = \frac{2(1 - \frac{1}{12}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} \rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

- So the "factored" form of $X(z)$ is:

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

- What about the ROC?

- $X(z)$ was a sum of two terms:

$$\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2} \quad (\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \text{ for this term})$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{3} \quad (\alpha = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ for this term})$$

- The overall ROC of $X(z)$ is the set of all z that make both terms converge.

- In other words, it is the intersection of the two ROC's of the individual terms.

- In other words,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ROC}\{X(z)\} &= \{ |z| > \frac{1}{2} \} \cap \{ |z| > \frac{1}{3} \} \\ &= \{ |z| > \frac{1}{2} \}. \end{aligned}$$



- So the answer is:

$$X(z) = \frac{z(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

- Now let's do a pole-zero plot for this $X(z)$.

- From the factored form shown above, we can just read off:

zeros: $z = \frac{1}{2}$

poles: $z = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}$

- But don't forget:

- We must always check the two points $z=0$ and $z=\infty$.

- To do this, it's easiest to convert $X(z)$ from " z^{-1} " to " z ".

- We see that the highest power of z^{-1} upstairs or downstairs is z^{-2} in the denominator,

- So multiply $X(z)$ by $\frac{z^2}{z^2}$



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

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

$$= \frac{2z(z - \frac{1}{2})}{(z - \frac{1}{2})(z + \frac{1}{3})}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

- plugging in $z=0$, we see that there is an additional zero at $z=0$.

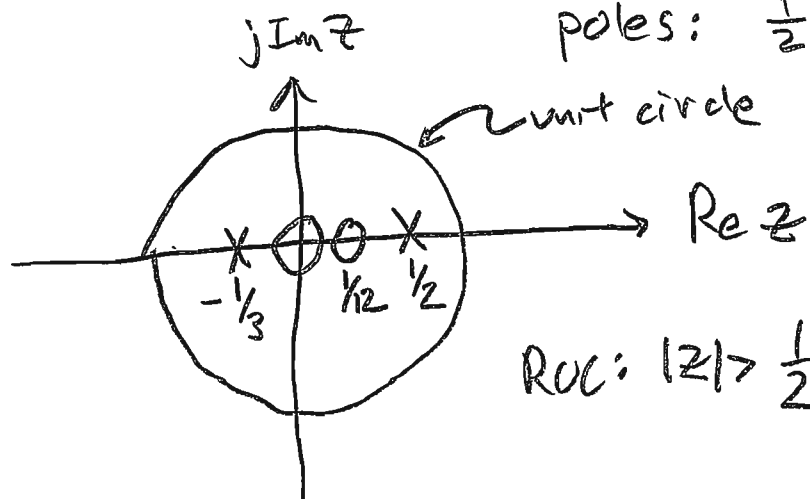
- plugging in $z=\infty$, we get:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} X(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2z^2}{z^2} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} 2 = 2$$

→ So $z=\infty$ is not a pole or a zero.

- All together then, we have: zeros: $\frac{1}{2}, 0$
poles: $\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}$

p/z-plot:



- Now let's work this the other way... in other words, given $X(z)$ let's find $x[n]$.

- The "multiplied out" form of $X(z)$ is:

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{2(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}} \\ &= \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{3}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{2}{6}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}} \\ &= \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

- So the problem would be:

$$\text{Given: } X(z) = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

Find: $x[n]$.

- To solve this, we must:

- ① Factor the denominator
- ② Do a PFE
- ③ Deduce the ROC's for the individual terms
- ④ Find $x[n]$ by table lookup.

Solution

$$X(z) = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}} = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{(1 - az^{-1})(1 - bz^{-1})}$$

- we need a and b such that:

$$(*) \quad -(a+b) = -\frac{1}{6}$$

$$(**) \quad ab = -\frac{1}{6} \quad (\text{this means } a \text{ and } b \text{ must have different signs})$$

- From (**), our choices are

$$\begin{array}{ll} a=1 & b=-\frac{1}{6} \\ a=-1 & b=\frac{1}{6} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ll} a=\frac{1}{2} & b=-\frac{1}{3} \\ a=-\frac{1}{2} & b=\frac{1}{3} \end{array}$$

- Quickly checking all the sums, we see that only $a=\frac{1}{2}$, $b=-\frac{1}{3}$ can give

$$\text{us } -(a+b) = -\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{6} \quad \checkmark$$

- So $X(z) = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$



- Next, we do the PFE using the Heaviside cover up method:

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

- Writing θ instead of z^{-1} to simplify things (just like when we wrote θ for $e^{-j\omega}$ with the DTFT), we get:

$$\frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}\theta}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta)(1 + \frac{1}{3}\theta)} = \frac{A}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta} + \frac{B}{1 + \frac{1}{3}\theta}$$

$$A = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}\theta}{1 + \frac{1}{3}\theta} \Bigg|_{\theta=2} = \frac{2 - \frac{2}{6}}{1 + \frac{2}{3}} = \frac{\frac{12}{6} - \frac{2}{6}}{\frac{3}{3} + \frac{2}{3}} = \frac{\frac{10}{6}}{\frac{5}{3}} = \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{10}{6} = \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{3} = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

this is the value of θ that makes $1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta = 0$.

$$B = \frac{2 - \frac{1}{6}\theta}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta} \Bigg|_{\theta=-3} = \frac{2 + \frac{3}{6}}{1 + \frac{3}{2}} = \frac{2 + \frac{1}{2}}{1 + \frac{3}{2}} = \frac{5/2}{5/2} = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

$\theta = -3$ makes $(1 + \frac{1}{3}\theta) = 0$

-So $X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$

→ Now we must figure out the two ROCs for the individual terms so that they intersect to the overall ROC $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$.

→ Looking at p. 7 of the formula sheet for Test 2, we see that

$$\frac{1}{1 - \alpha z^{-1}}, |z| > |\alpha| \longleftrightarrow \alpha^n u[n]$$

$$\frac{1}{1 - \alpha z^{-1}}, |z| < |\alpha| \longleftrightarrow -\alpha^n u[-n-1]$$

- For the first term $\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$, we've got $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$. So the choices for the ROC of this term are $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ or $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$.
- For the second term $\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}$, we've got $\alpha = -\frac{1}{3}$. So the choices for the ROC of this term are $|z| > \frac{1}{3}$ and $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$.

⇒ The only way we can get the intersection to be $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ (The given overall ROC for $X(z)$) is if:

- The ROC for the first term is $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$

- The ROC for the second term is $|z| > \frac{1}{3}$

- So, our PFE with ROC is:

$$X(z) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{3}}$$

- Table:

$$x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n] \quad \checkmark$$

- Let's do another example where $x[n]$ is two sided.

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



- Note that $u[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n \geq 0 \\ 0, & n < 0 \end{cases}$. So $x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$ for $n \geq 0$.

- Also, $u[-n-1] = \begin{cases} 1, & n \leq -1 \\ 0, & n > -1 \end{cases}$. So $x[n] = 2^n$ for $n \leq -1$.

→ Looking in the table, we see that we can handle the first term with the transform pair $\alpha^n u[n] \xleftrightarrow{Z} \frac{1}{1-\alpha z^{-1}}, |z| > |\alpha|$

→ For the second term, we will have to use the transform pair $\alpha^n u[-n-1] \xleftrightarrow{Z} \frac{1}{1-\alpha z^{-1}}, |z| < |\alpha|$.

~~AA~~ NOTE: This means:

$$- [\alpha^n] u[-n-1], \checkmark$$

$$\underline{\underline{NOT}} \quad (-\alpha)^n u[-n-1] \quad \text{XXX}$$

- So we need to re-write $x[n]$ as

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

Table: $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] \xleftrightarrow{Z} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$

Table: $-2^n u[-n-1] \xleftrightarrow{Z} \frac{1}{1-2z^{-1}}, |z| < 2$

So
$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} - \frac{1}{1-2z^{-1}}$$
$$= \frac{1-2z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})} - \frac{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})}$$
$$= \frac{1-2z^{-1} - 1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})} = \frac{-2z^{-1} + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})}$$
$$= \frac{-\frac{4}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})} = \frac{-\frac{3}{2}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})}$$

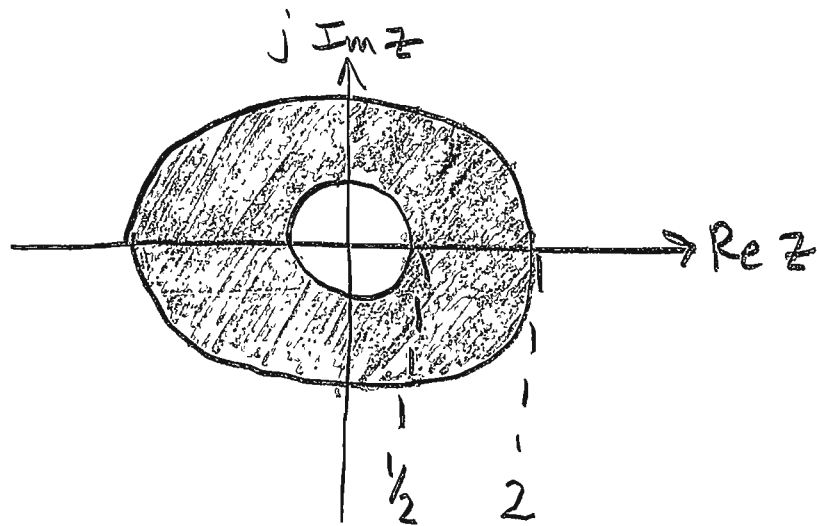
- The ROC of $X(z)$ is the intersection of the ROCs for the individual terms... i.e., it's all the z 's that make both terms converge.

- This is: $\{|z| > \frac{1}{2}\} \cap \{|z| < 2\} = \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2.$

- So the answer is:

$$X(z) = \frac{-\frac{3}{2} z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

- Here is what the ROC looks like:



two-sided $x[n]$ \leftrightarrow annular ROC \checkmark

- Now let's do a pole-zero plot.

- Reading off the d^k from the numerator and denominator of $X(z)$, we get:

\rightarrow There are no $(1 - dz^{-1})$ terms upstairs!!

\rightarrow Downstairs, we get: poles: $z = \frac{1}{2}, 2$



- Convert from " z^{-1} " to " z " and check the two special points $z=0$ and $z=\infty$:

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{-3/2 z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})} \cdot \frac{z^2}{z^2} \\ &= \frac{-3/2 z}{(z - \frac{1}{2})(z - 2)} \end{aligned}$$

- plugging in $z=0$, we get

$$X(0) = \frac{0}{1} = 0$$

- so there is a zero at $z=0$.

- plugging in $z=\infty$, we get

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} X(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-z}{z^2} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{z} = 0$$

- so there is also a zero at $z=\infty$.



NOTE

: For the pole-zero plot, we

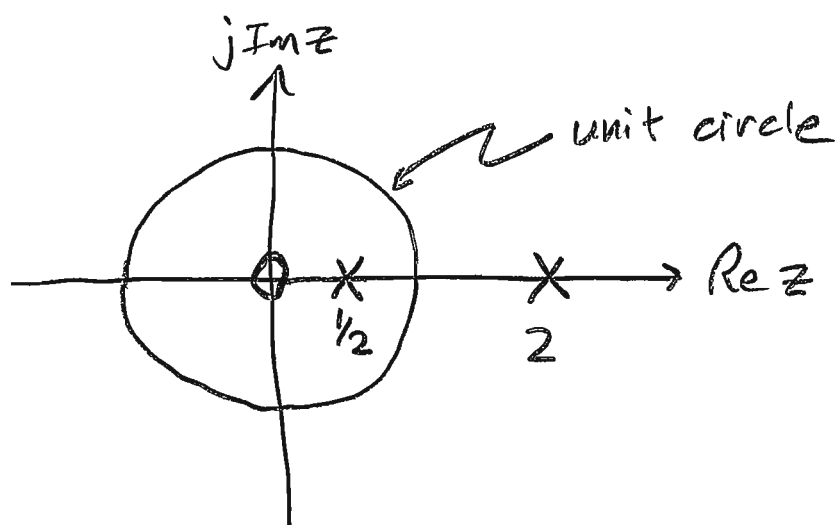
do not show poles and zeros that

may occur at $z=\infty$. \rightarrow

- For the pole-zero plot, we only show the finite poles and zeros.

- So we've got: Zeros: $z=0, \infty$
poles: $z = \frac{1}{2}, 2$

p/z plot:



- Now let's work this one the other way... as an inverse transform example.

$$\text{Given: } X(z) = \frac{-\frac{3}{2}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

Find: $x[n]$



- Since $X(z)$ is already in factored form, we can jump straight to the PFE:

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

$$A = \frac{-3/2 \theta}{1 - 2\theta} \Big|_{\theta=2} = \frac{-3}{1-4} = \frac{-3}{-3} = 1$$

$$B = \frac{-3/2 \theta}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta} \Big|_{\theta=\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{-3/4}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{-3/4}{3/4} = -1$$

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}} - \frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

→ From the Table, our choices for the ROC of the first term are $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ or $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$

→ Our choices for the ROC of the second term are $|z| > 2$ or $|z| < 2$.

⇒ For the intersection to be $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$, they must be $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ and $|z| < 2$. →

- With the ROC's, our PFE is now:

$$X(z) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}}}_{|z| < 2}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

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

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

★ Important Note: Remember, the unit circle of the z-plane is where $r = 1$. This is where the fixer-upper is $r^{-n} = 1^{-n} = 1^n = 1$.

- It is also where $z = re^{j\omega} = e^{j\omega}$

- So, above the unit circle in the z-plane,
 $X(z) = X(e^{j\omega})$, the DTFT of $x[n]$.

⇒ If the unit circle is included in the ROC of $X(z)$, then $X(z)$ converges for $r=1 \rightarrow z=e^{j\omega}$.

⇒ This means that $X(e^{j\omega})$ exists.

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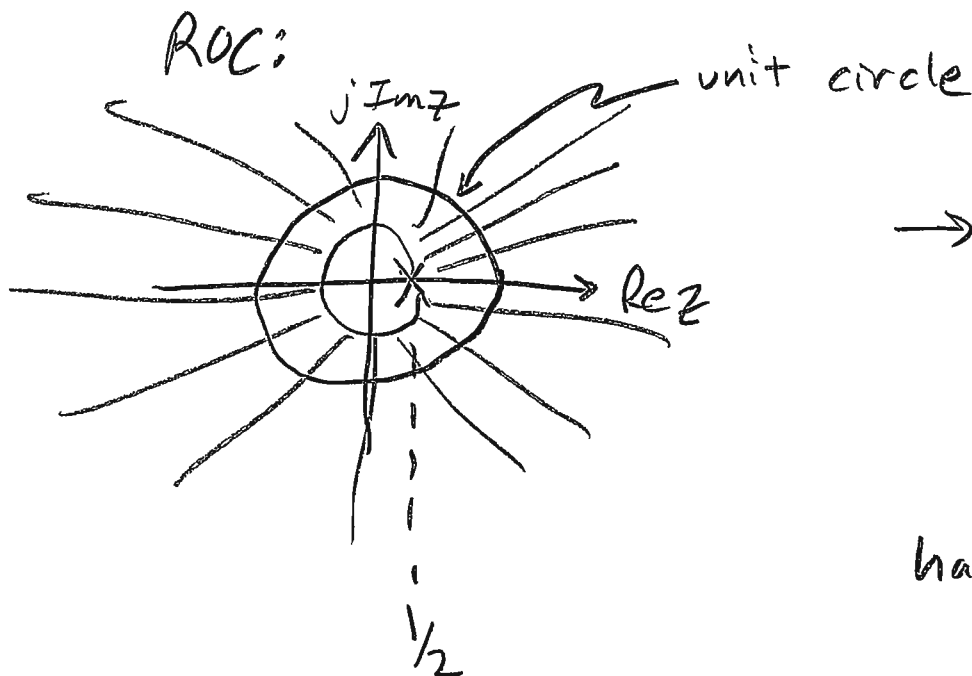
⇒ In other words, if the ROC of $X(z)$ includes the unit circle, then $x[n]$ has a DTFT $X(e^{j\omega})$.

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- In the example starting on page 6.49, we had

$$x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n]$$

$$X(z) = \frac{z(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$



→ Since the ROC does include the unit circle, this $x[n]$ does have a DTFT $X(e^{j\omega})$.

→ PAGE 6.65

- It is given by (just set $z = e^{j\omega}$ in $X(z)$):

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{2(1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\omega})}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\omega})(1 + \frac{1}{3}e^{-j\omega})}$$

- In the example starting on p. 6.58, we had

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

$$X(z) = \frac{-\frac{3}{2}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

- See the plot of the ROC on p. 6.60.

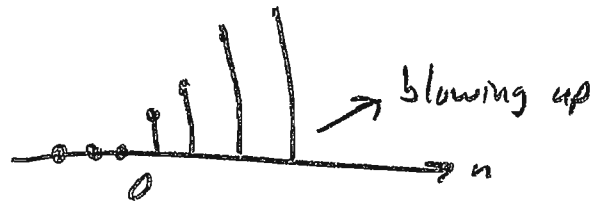
- The ROC does include the unit circle.

- So this $x[n]$ also does have a DTFT.

- It is given by:

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{2(1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\omega})}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\omega})(1 - 2e^{-j\omega})}$$

EX: $x[n] = 2^n u[n]$

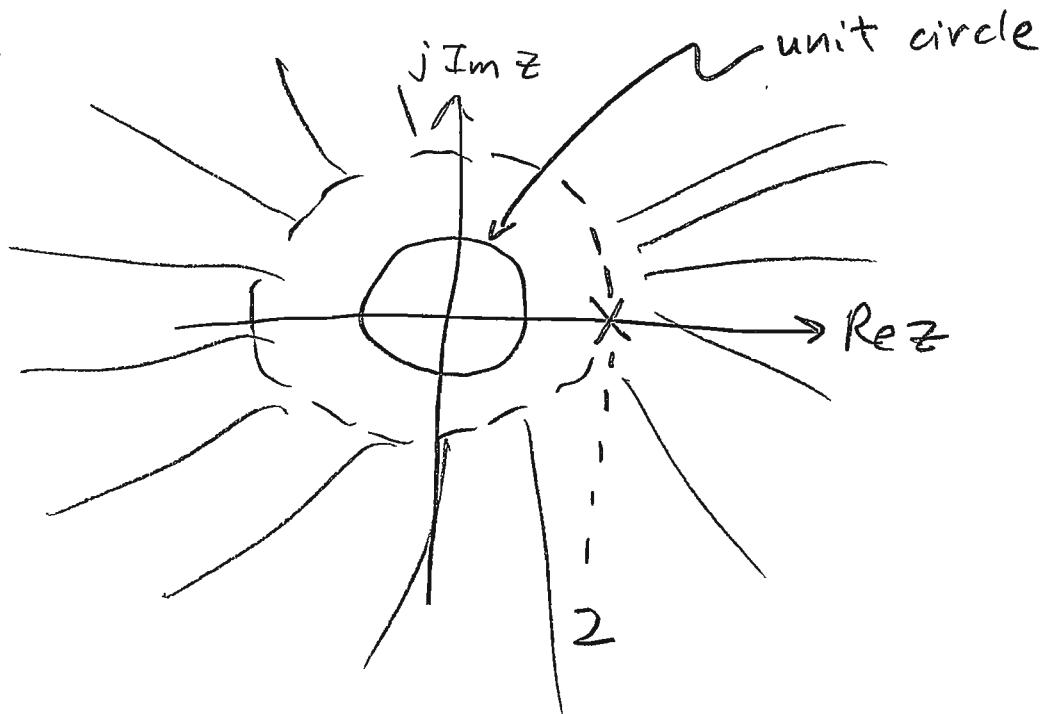


- This $x[n]$ does not have a DTFT $X(e^{j\omega})$ because he is blowing up on the right side as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- But he does have a z-transform.

Table: $X(z) = \frac{1}{1-2z^{-1}}, |z| > 2$

- In this case, the ROC of $X(z)$ is everything outside the circle of radius 2.
- This ROC does not contain the unit circle, which again shows that $X(e^{j\omega})$ does not exist.

p-z plot:



EX; $x[n] = -\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[-n-1] - 2^n u[-n-1]$

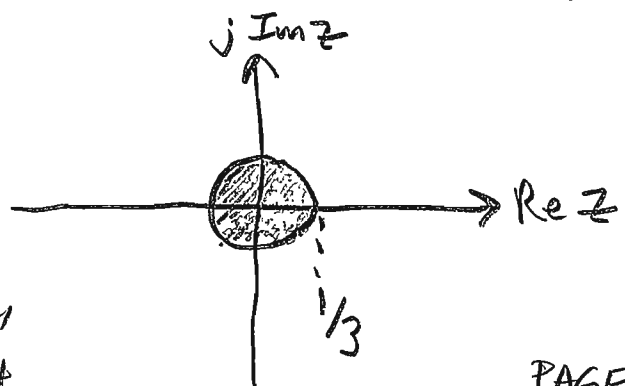
Table: $-\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[-n-1] \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}, |z| < \frac{1}{3}$

Table: $-2^n u[-n-1] \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{1-2z^{-1}}, |z| < 2$

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1-2z^{-1}} \\ &= \frac{1-2z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})} + \frac{1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{1+1-2z^{-1}-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{2-\frac{6}{3}z^{-1}-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{2-\frac{7}{3}z^{-1}}{(1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})} \end{aligned}$$

ROC: $\{ |z| < \frac{1}{3} \} \cap \{ |z| < 2 \} = \{ |z| < \frac{1}{3} \}$

ROC:



- since the ROC does not include the unit circle, $X(e^{j\omega})$ does not exist.

$$- \text{so } X(z) = \frac{2(1 - \frac{7}{6}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{zeros: } z = \frac{7}{6}$$

$$\text{poles: } z = \frac{1}{3}, 2$$

- Multiply $X(z)$ by $\frac{z^2}{z^2}$ to convert from " z^{-1} " to " z ":

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{2(1 - \frac{7}{6}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})} \cdot \frac{z^2}{z^2} \\ &= \frac{2z(z - \frac{7}{6})}{(z - \frac{1}{3})(z - 2)} \end{aligned}$$

- Check the two special points $z=0$ and $z=\infty$:

$z=0$: there is an additional zero at $z=0$.

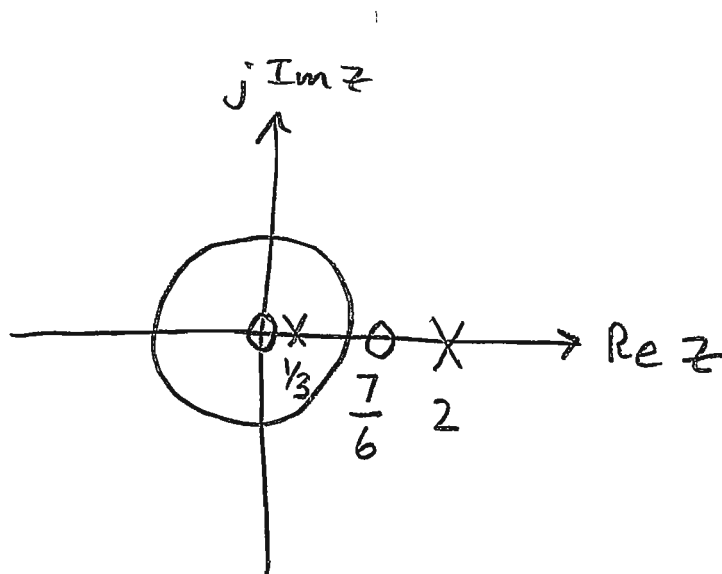
$$z=\infty: \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} X(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2z^2}{z^2} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} 2 = 2$$

$\rightarrow z=\infty$ is not a zero and not a pole.



- So all together: Zeros: $z = \frac{7}{6}, 0$
 Poles: $z = \frac{1}{3}, 2$

P-z plots:



- Now let's do this same one again as an inverse z-transform problem:

Given: $X(z) = \frac{2(1 - \frac{7}{6}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})}$, $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$

Find $x(n)$,

PFE: $\frac{2(1 - \frac{7}{6}\theta)}{(1 - \frac{1}{3}\theta)(1 - 2\theta)} = \frac{A}{1 - \frac{1}{3}\theta} + \frac{B}{1 - 2\theta}$

$$A = \frac{2(1 - \frac{7}{6}\theta)}{1 - 2\theta} \Big|_{\theta=3} = \frac{2(1 - \frac{7}{2})}{1 - 6} = \frac{2(-\frac{5}{2})}{-5} = \frac{-5}{-5} = 1$$

$$B = \frac{2(1 - \frac{7}{6}\theta)}{1 - \frac{1}{3}\theta} \Big|_{\theta=\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2(1 - \frac{7}{12})}{1 - \frac{1}{6}} = \frac{2(\frac{5}{12})}{\frac{5}{6}} = \frac{\frac{5}{6}}{\frac{5}{6}} = 1$$

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{3}$$

- The possible ROCs for $\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}$ are $|z| > \frac{1}{3}$
and $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$

- The possible ROCs for $\frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}}$ are $|z| > 2$
and $|z| < 2$

- Since the overall ROC is $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$, the individual ROCs for the two terms must intersect to $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$.

→ They must be $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$ and $|z| < 2$.

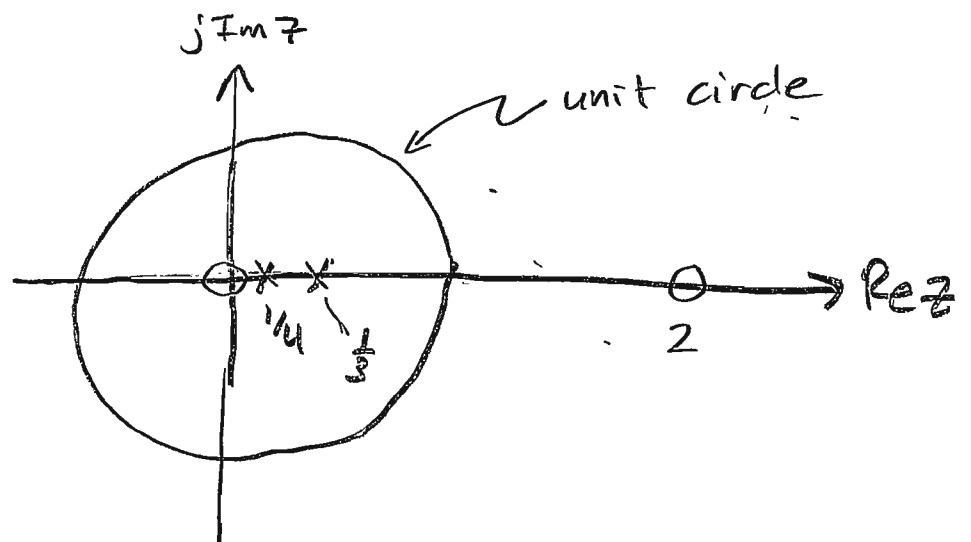
$$\text{So } X(z) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}}_{|z| < \frac{1}{3}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}}}_{|z| < 2}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{3}$$

Table: $x[n] = -\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[-n-1] - 2^n u[-n-1] \checkmark$

FACT : the pole-zero plot determines $X(z)$ up to a multiplicative constant.

- Suppose $X(z)$ has zeros at $z=2$ and $z=0$ and poles at $z=\frac{1}{3}$ and $z=\frac{1}{4}$.

- Then the p-z plot is :



- Because of the zero at $z=0$, the numerator of $X(z)$ must have a term $(1-0z^{-1}) = 1$.
- Because of the zero at $z=2$, the numerator must also contain a term $(1-2z^{-1})$.
- Because of the pole at $z=\frac{1}{4}$, the denominator must contain a term $(1-\frac{1}{4}z^{-1})$.
- Because of the pole at $z=\frac{1}{3}$, the denominator must also contain a term $(1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1})$.

- So it must be the case that

$$X(z) = \frac{K(1-2z^{-1})}{(1-\frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}$$

where "K" is an unknown constant.

- But what is the ROC?

- From the information given so far, it is impossible to tell.

- However, remember:

- poles are where $X(z)$ blows up.

- The ROC is where $X(z)$ converges... i.e.,
the ROC is where $X(z)$ does not blow up.

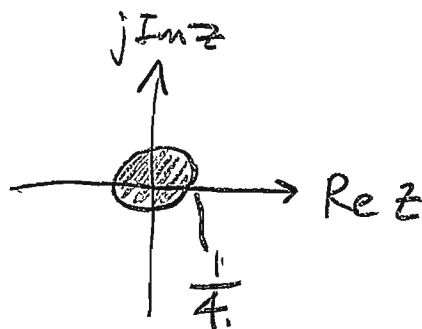
\Rightarrow So there can not be any poles in the ROC.

- For this example, this means that there are three possible ROCs, that are bounded by the poles.



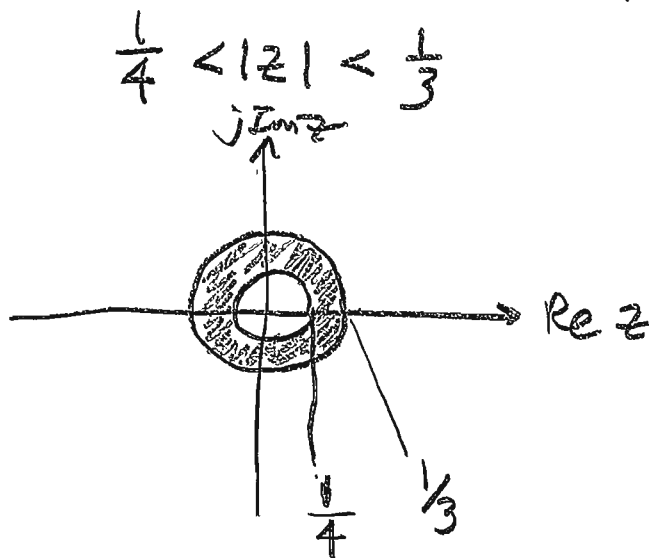
- They are:

- ① everything inside a circle through the smallest pole ($z = \frac{1}{4}$): $|z| < \frac{1}{4}$



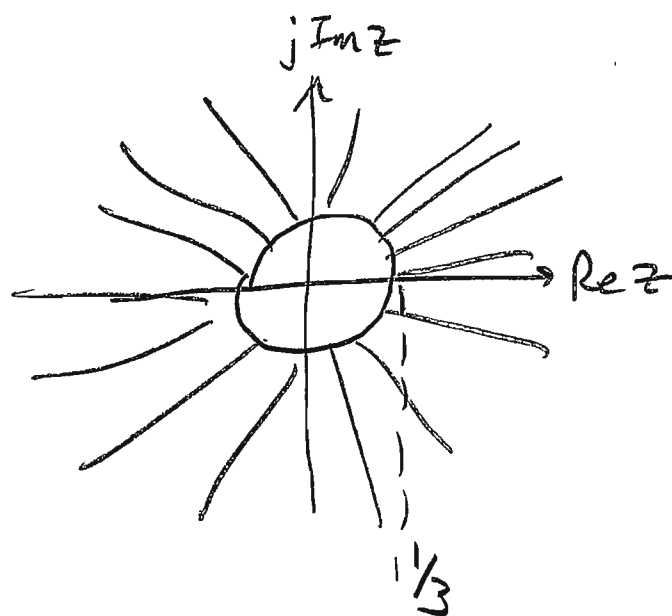
→ Since this ROC is interior, it corresponds to a left-sided $x(n)$.

- ② everything between a circle through the pole at $z = \frac{1}{3}$ and a circle through the pole at $z = \frac{1}{4}$:



→ Since this ROC is annular, it corresponds to a two-sided $x(n)$.

③ everything outside a circle through the largest pole - ($z = \frac{1}{3}$) : $|z| > \frac{1}{3}$



→ Since this ROC is exterior, it corresponds to a right-sided $x[n]$,

- Since there are three possible ROCs, there are three $x[n]$ that have this pole-zero plot and $X(z) = \frac{K(1-2z^{-1})}{(1-\frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1-\frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}$.

⇒ Each one has a different ROC.

→

- Since ROC (3), $|z| > \frac{1}{3}$, is the only one that contains the unit circle, the right-sided $x(n)$ corresponding to ROC (3) is the only one that has a DTFT $X(e^{j\omega})$.
- How can we figure out what these three $x(n)$ are?

- To answer that, we would have to do a PFE on $X(z)$.

- Since we don't know what " K " is, we can't actually do the PFE.

- However, we know that if we could do the PFE, we would get something like:

$$X(z) = \frac{K(1 - 2z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})} = \frac{A}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}} + \frac{B}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}$$

- The possible ROCs for $\frac{A}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}}$ are $|z| > \frac{1}{4}$ and $|z| < \frac{1}{4}$

- The possible ROCs for $\frac{B}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}$ are

$$|z| > \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } |z| < \frac{1}{3}$$



$$\text{So } X(z) = \frac{A}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}} + \frac{B}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{4} \text{ or } |z| < \frac{1}{4}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{3} \text{ or } |z| < \frac{1}{3}}$$

- we cannot take $|z| < \frac{1}{4}$ and $|z| > \frac{1}{3} \dots$

- because this would make the overall ROC (the intersection) equal to the empty set.

- If we take $|z| < \frac{1}{4}$ and $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$, then we get ROC ① on p. 6.74. Both terms invert left-sided and we get $x[n] = -A\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[-n-1] - B\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[-n-1]$.

- If we take $|z| > \frac{1}{4}$ and $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$, then we get ROC ② on p. 6.74. The first term inverts right-sided and the second term inverts left-sided. We get: $x[n] = A\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n] - B\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[-n-1]$.

- Finally, if we take $|z| > \frac{1}{4}$ and $|z| > \frac{1}{3}$, then we get ROC ③ on p. 6.75. Both terms invert right-sided and we get: $x[n] = A\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n] + B\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n]$.

EX: $X(z) = \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + 2z^{-1})}$ } GIVEN

$x[n]$ does have a DTFT $X(e^{j\omega})$.

→ Find $x[n]$.

Solution: Since $X(e^{j\omega})$ exists, the unit circle must be included in the ROC of $X(z)$.

- Do a PFE:

$$\frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta)(1 + 2\theta)} = \frac{A}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta} + \frac{B}{1 + 2\theta}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{1 + 2\theta} \Big|_{\theta=2} = \frac{1}{1 + 2 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{1 + 4} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$B = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta} \Big|_{\theta=-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{1 - (\frac{1}{2})(-\frac{1}{2})} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{\frac{5}{4}} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$X(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{5}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{1 + 2z^{-1}}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } |z| < \frac{1}{2}}$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{|z| > 2 \text{ or } |z| < 2}$



- Since $X(e^{j\omega})$ exists, the ROC must contain the unit circle.

- The individual ROC's must be $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ and $|z| < 2$.

- This makes the overall ROC of $X(z)$ equal to $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$, which does contain the unit circle ✓

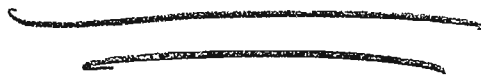
- So we've got

$$X(z) = \underbrace{\frac{1/5}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{4/5}{1 + 2z^{-1}}}_{|z| < 2}$$

- For the first term, $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$

- For the second term, $\alpha = -2$

Table: $x[n] = \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] - \frac{4}{5} (-2)^n u[-n-1]$



EX : $X(z) = \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + 2z^{-1})}$

$x[n]$ is right-sided.

Find $x[n]$.

- The PFE is the same as in the last example:

$$X(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{5}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{1 + 2z^{-1}}$$

- since we are given that $x[n]$ is right-sided, both terms must invert right-sided.

\Rightarrow The ROC \Rightarrow must be;

$$|z| > \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } |z| > 2$$

Table: $x[n] = \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + \frac{4}{5} (-2)^n u[n]$

EX: $X(z) = \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + 2z^{-1})}$

$x[n]$ is left-sided.

Find $x[n]$.

- The PFE is the same as in the last two examples:

$$X(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{5}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{1 + 2z^{-1}}$$

- Since we are given that $x[n]$ is left-sided, both terms must invert left-sided.

\Rightarrow The ROCs must be:

$$|z| < \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad |z| < 2$$

Table: $x[n] = -\frac{1}{5}(\frac{1}{2})^n u[-n-1] - \frac{4}{5}(-2)^n u[-n-1]$.

The z-transform Convolution Property

- If $x[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} X(z)$ with ROC R_1
and $h[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} H(z)$ with ROC R_2
and $y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$,

- then $\underline{Y(z) = X(z)H(z)}$ with ROC
at least
 $R_1 \cap R_2$.

- As with the DTFT, this property is widely used for analyzing and designing discrete-time LTI systems... and digital filters in particular.

- What does it mean "with ROC at least $R_1 \cap R_2$ "?

- Generally, the ROC of $Y(z)$ will be the intersection of the ROC's of $X(z)$ and $H(z)$.
- However, in some cases one of them ($X(z)$ or $H(z)$) may have a zero where the other one has a pole. \rightarrow

- When this happens, multiplying them together to get $Y(z) = X(z)H(z)$ results in a pole-zero cancellation.

- This causes the cancelled pole to "disappear."

- Since the ROC is bounded by the poles, this could cause the ROC of $Y(z)$ to be increased to something larger than $R_1 \cap R_2$.

- Here is an example of that:

- Let H be a discrete-time LTI system with impulse response

$$h[n] = \frac{5}{3} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n] - \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n],$$

- Let the system input be

$$x[n] = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n u[n].$$

- Find the system output $y[n]$.



Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Table: } H(z) &= \frac{5/3}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}} - \frac{2/3}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \\ &= \frac{5/3(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}) - 2/3(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{5/3 - 5/6z^{-1} - 2/3 + \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} \\ &= \frac{1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Table: } X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{2}{3}$$

Note: the intersection of the ROC's is

$$\left\{ |z| > \frac{1}{2} \right\} \cap \left\{ |z| > \frac{2}{3} \right\} = \underline{\underline{\left\{ |z| > \frac{2}{3} \right\}}}$$

- Now, by the convolution property, we have

$$Y(z) = X(z)H(z)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1}} \cdot \frac{1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}$$

$$= \frac{\overset{\text{pole-zero cancellation}}{\cancel{(1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1})}}}{(1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}$$

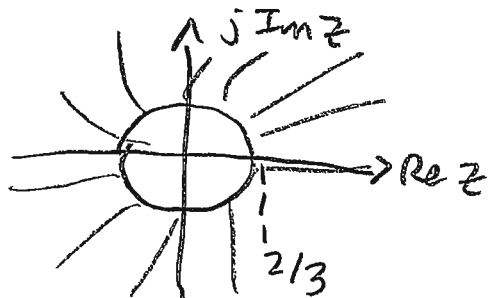
$$= \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

→ The intersection of the ROC^s was $|z| > \frac{2}{3}$

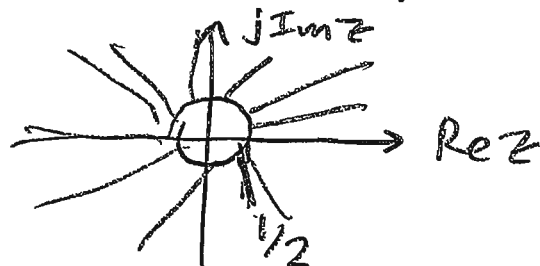
→ But due to the pole-zero cancellation, the ROC of $Y(z)$... which is everything outside of a circle through the largest pole of $Y(z)$... is $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$

⇒ which is larger than the intersection.

The intersection:



ROC of $Y(z)$:



- As with the DTFT,

the z-transform convolution property

$$Y(z) = X(z)H(z)$$

leads to three main types of problems:

① Analysis or Convolution:

- given $h[n]$ and $x[n]$, find $y[n]$,

$$\rightarrow \text{Use } Y(z) = X(z)H(z)$$

② Deconvolution:

- given $h[n]$ and $y[n]$, find $x[n]$,

$$\rightarrow \text{Use } X(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{H(z)}$$

③ System Identification:

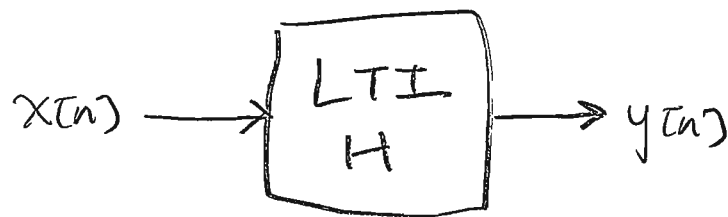
- given $x[n]$ and $y[n]$, find $h[n]$,

$$\rightarrow \text{Use } H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)}$$

- All three are very similar to what we have already seen for the DTFT, except that with the z-transform you must also keep track of the ROC.

Transfer Function

- Let H be an LTI system with impulse response $h[n]$;



- The z -transform $H(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{h[n]\}$ is called the transfer function of the system.
- The transfer function tells you a lot about the system.
- The transfer function contains the frequency response.
 - Above the unit circle of the z -plane, $H(z)$ is equal to $H(e^{j\omega})$
 - Recall that $z = re^{j\omega}$
 - Above the unit circle, we have $r = 1$ and $z = e^{j\omega}$
 - So $H(z) \Big|_{|z|=1} = H(e^{j\omega})$

- Recall from p. 5.91: A discrete-time LTI system H is causal iff $h[n] = 0 \quad \forall n < 0$.

→ This means that $h[n]$ can not be left-sided.

⇒ For a causal system, the ROC of $H(z)$ can not be interior.

→ This also means that $h[n]$ can not be two-sided.

⇒ For a causal system, the ROC of $H(z)$ can not be annular.



For a causal discrete-time LTI system H , $h[n]$ must be either:

- right-sided [the ROC of $H(z)$ is exterior in this case], or
- finite-length [in this case the ROC of $H(z)$ is the entire z -plane... except possibly the points $z=0$ and $z=\infty$ which must always be checked].

- Important Note:

- For H to be causal, it is necessary for the ROC of $H(z)$ to be either exterior or the whole z-plane.

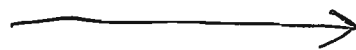
→ But this alone is not sufficient for H to be causal.

→ For H to be causal, you need more.

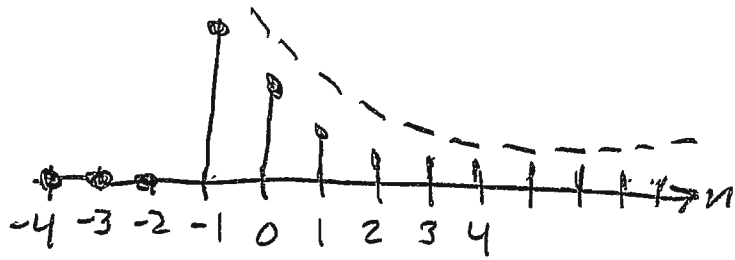
⇒ You also need that $h[n] = 0 \forall n < 0$.

⇒ In other words, you need $h[n]$ to be:

- ① right-sided or finite-length
[ROC of $H(z)$ is exterior or the entire z-plane], AND
- ② $h[n]$ "starts" at or after $n=0$.



- For example, suppose $h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1} u[n+1]$



→ This $h[n]$ is right-sided.

→ So the ROC of $H(z)$ is exterior
[it's $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$]

→ But the system is not causal,
because $h[-1] = 1 \neq 0$, so
it's not true that $h[n] = 0 \forall n < 0$
 \Rightarrow NOT CAUSAL.

- Similarly, if $h[n] = \frac{1}{3}\delta[n+1] + \frac{1}{3}\delta[n] + \frac{1}{3}\delta[n-1]$,

then the ROC of $H(z)$ turns out to be
{ all z except $z=0$ and $z=\infty$ },

→ But the system is NOT CAUSAL
because $h[-1] = \frac{1}{3} \neq 0$.

→ i.e., $h[n]$ "starts" before $n=0$.

RECAP:

- If H is a causal LTI system, then the ROC of $H(z)$ must be exterior or the whole z-plane (except possibly the two points $z=0$ and $z=\infty$).

→ However, if you have an $H(z)$ and you know that the ROC is exterior... or you know that the ROC is the whole z-plane,

⇒ This is not enough to say that the system is causal...

⇒ You also need to check that $h[n] = 0 \quad \forall n < 0$.

EX: You are given that:

- H is a discrete-time LTI system
- The transfer function is

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

- But you are not given the ROC
- H is causal.

Find: the impulse response $h[n]$.

Solution:

- From the given $H(z)$, we can see immediately that there are poles at $z = \frac{1}{2}$ and $z = 2$.
- We must also check the two points $z = 0$ and $z = \infty$.
- Converting $H(z)$ from " z^{-1} " to " z ", we get

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

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

→

- So there is also a 2nd-order zero at $z=0$.

- plugging in $z=\infty$, we get

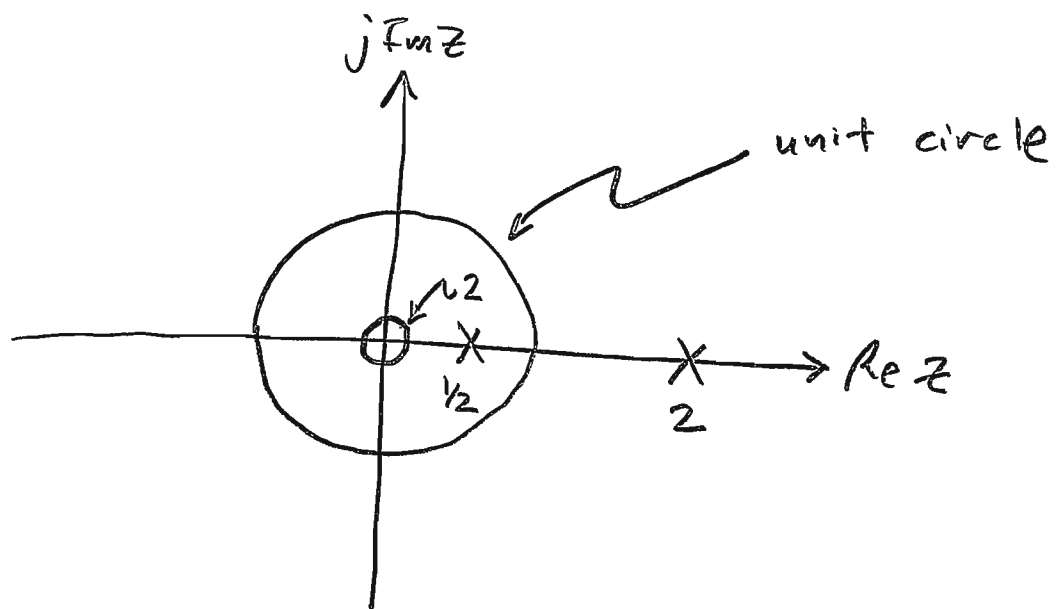
$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} H(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z^2}{z^2} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 1$$

\Rightarrow The point $z=\infty$ is not a zero and it is not a pole.

- So the complete list is: Zeros: $z=0$ (2nd order)

Poles: $z = \frac{1}{2}, 2$

p/z - plot:



- For this pole-zero plot, the possible ROC's are:

a) $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$

b) $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$

c) $|z| > 2$



- Because we are given that H is causal,
the ROC must be either exterior or the
whole z -plane.

\Rightarrow The ROC of $H(z)$ must be $|z| > 2$.

- Next we do a PFE on $H(z)$:

$$\frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1-2z^{-1})} = \frac{A}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{B}{1-2z^{-1}}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{1-2z^{-1}} \Big|_{z=2} = \frac{1}{1-4} = \frac{1}{-3} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$B = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \Big|_{z=\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{3/4} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$H(z) = -\frac{1/3}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{4/3}{1-2z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > 2$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{|z| > 2}$

Table: $h[n] = -\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + \frac{4}{3}2^n u[n]$

$h[n]$ is right-sided ✓

$h[n] = 0 \quad \forall n < 0$ ✓

\Rightarrow CAUSAL ✓

STABILITY

- Recall from p. 5.96:

- A discrete-time LTI system H is stable iff
$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| < \infty.$$

- In other words, if and only if the impulse response $h[n]$ is absolutely summable.

- Recall from p. 5.98:

- IF
$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| < \infty,$$

Then $H(e^{j\omega})$ exists... i.e., the DTFT sum converges.

\Rightarrow Thus, we have the following very important property:

- If H is a stable discrete-time LTI system,

- then
$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| < \infty$$

- then $H(e^{j\omega})$ converges

- then the ROC of $H(z)$ must include the unit circle of the z -plane.

Note : technically, this property is not "if and only if." It's just "if".

⇒ In other words,-

- If H is stable, then the ROC of $H(z)$ must include the unit circle.
- But it doesn't technically go the other way...
 - It is theoretically possible to construct a system H such that $H(e^{j\omega})$ exists as a distribution, but the system is not strictly stable.

⇒ However, we will not see such systems in ECE 2713.

⇒ For ECE 2713, you can assume that :

★ ★	H is a stable	if and only if ↔	The ROC of $H(z)$ includes the unit circle
★★	discrete-time LTI system		

EX: You are given that:

- H is a discrete-time LTI system
- The transfer function is

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

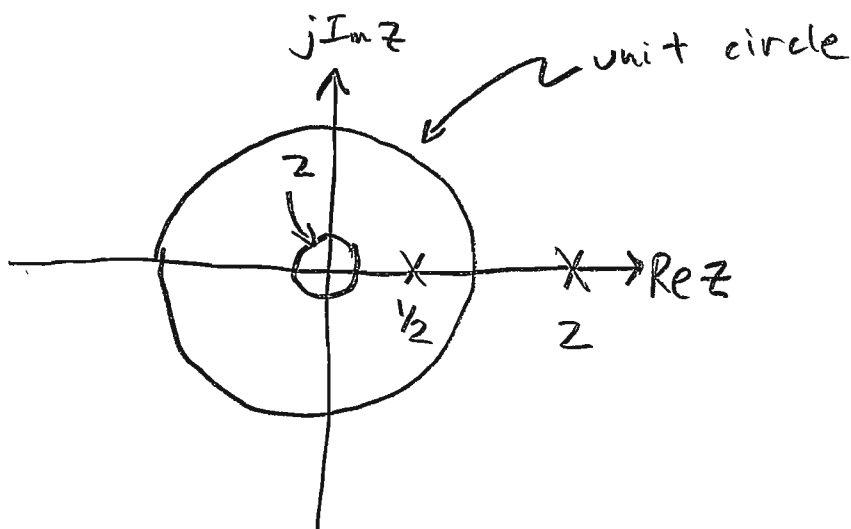
(same as the example on p. 6.92)

- But you are not given the ROC.
- H is stable (different from the example on p. 6.92)

Find: the impulse response $h[n]$.

Solution:

- The pole-zero plot is the same as what we got back on p. 6.92;



The possible ROC's are also the same as we got on p. 6.92:

- $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$
- $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$
- $|z| > 2$

- But in this case, we are given that the system is stable.

⇒ So the ROC of $H(z)$ must include the unit circle,

⇒ The ROC of $H(z)$ must be:

$$\underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2}}$$

- The PFE is the same as what we got back on p. 6.93, but the ROC is different:

$$H(z) = \underbrace{-\frac{1/3}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{4/3}{1-2z^{-1}}}_{|z| < 2}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

Table: $h[n] = -\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] - \frac{4}{3}2^n u[-n-1]$

- In this case, $h[n]$ is two-sided, so the system is not causal.

- But it is stable

Note: the different solution we got on p. 6.94 was causal... but it was not stable because $2^n u[n]$ is not absolutely summable,

CAUSAL PLUS STABLE

- In many practical filtering situations, we require a digital filter H that is both causal and stable.
- These requirements place important limitations on the locations of the poles.

⇒ For the system to be causal, the ROC of $H(z)$ must be exterior or the whole z -plane (except possibly $z=0$ and/or $z=\infty$).

→ But as we will see later, any practical digital filter (except the identity filter with $h[n] = \delta[n]$) will have at least one pole in the finite z -plane.

→ So even if the ROC of $H(z)$ is the whole z -plane, there will still be at least one pole at $z=0$,

→ Thus, we can still think of such a ROC as being "exterior" in the sense that it is exterior to the point $z=0$.

- In other words, for any practical digital filter that is causal, the ROC of $H(z)$ will be exterior to the largest magnitude pole... (which might be at $z=0$).

\Rightarrow For the system to be stable, the ROC of $H(z)$ must include the unit circle.

\Rightarrow There can not be any poles in the ROC!

- poles are where $H(z)$ blows up... does not converge.

- The ROC is where $H(z)$ converges... does not blow up.

- So there can't be any poles in the ROC.

- Therefore, for the system to be causal and stable, the ROC must be exterior to the largest pole...

and

- the ROC must start inside the unit circle... so that the ROC can be exterior and include the unit circle.

- This means that, for a discrete-time LTI system H that is both causal and stable,

★ \Rightarrow All of the poles of $H(z)$ must be strictly inside the unit circle of the z -plane.

★ \Rightarrow If $H(z)$ has any poles outside the unit circle, then the system cannot be both causal and stable.

- In the examples on p. 6.92 and p. 6.97, we had

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

- The pole at $z=2$ is outside the unit circle.

\Rightarrow A system with this $H(z)$ can not be both causal and stable.

\Rightarrow For the example on p. 6.92, the ROC was $|z| > 2$.

\rightarrow The resulting system was causal, but not stable ... because the ROC did not include the unit circle.

⇒ For the example on p. 6.97, the ROC was $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$.

→ In this case, the resulting system was stable... because the ROC did include the unit circle...

→ But it was not causal... look back at p. 6.98, we got a two-sided impulse response $h[n]$... not causal.

NOTE :

- For a stable system, the ROC of $H(z)$ must include the unit circle. This means that the frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$ is convergent.

⇒ A discrete-time LTI system H that is stable has a convergent frequency response... in other words, $H(e^{j\omega})$ exists.

- For an unstable system, the ROC of $H(z)$ does not contain the unit circle. This means that $H(e^{j\omega})$ is divergent.

⇒ A discrete-time LTI system H that is unstable has a divergent frequency response... in other words, $H(e^{j\omega})$ does not exist.

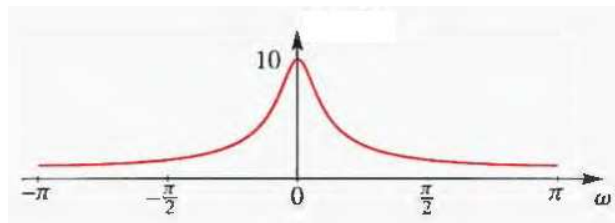
- EX: suppose H is a causal, stable discrete-time LTI system (filter) with impulse response

$$h[n] = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^n u[n].$$

- Using the DTFT table from the formula sheet on the course web site, we can write down the frequency response:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{4}{5}e^{-j\omega}}$$

- Here is a plot of the filter magnitude response $|H(e^{j\omega})|$:

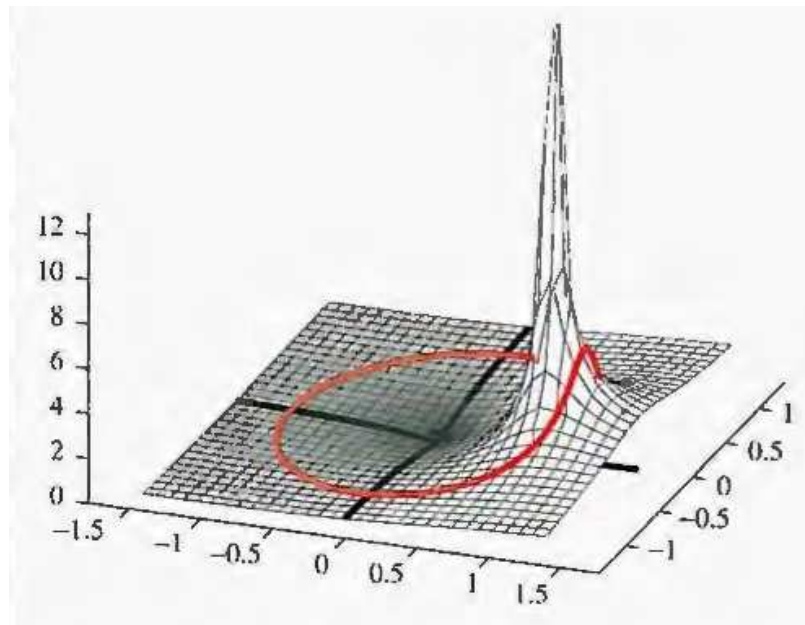


- From this plot, we see that H is a low-pass filter.
- Using the z -transform table from the formula sheet on the course web site, we can write down the transfer function:

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{4}{5}z^{-1}}, \quad \text{ROC: } |z| > \frac{4}{5}$$

- From the denominator, we see immediately that there is one pole at $z = \frac{4}{5}$.
- Notice that this pole is *inside* the unit circle, the ROC is *exterior*, and the ROC *includes* the unit circle.

- Here is a 3D plot of $|H(z)|$:



- Above the unit circle of the z -plane, $H(z) = H(e^{j\omega})$.
- This is shown by the orange curve in the figure. This orange curve is the same graph of $|H(e^{j\omega})|$ that we just saw on page 6.103, but now it is wrapped around the unit circle of the z -plane as the part of the graph of $H(z)$ where $|z| = r = 1$.
- Notice how the pole at $z = \frac{4}{5}$, just inside the unit circle, pulls up the whole surface $H(z)$ and thus *shapes* $H(e^{j\omega})$.
- You may have wondered why we need to have both a discrete-time Fourier transform (DTFT) and a z -transform.
- Here is one reason: a filter designer *designs* the poles and zeros of $H(z)$ to shape the frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$.

- The poles pull the surface $H(z)$ *up* towards ∞ ; the zeros pull the surface $H(z)$ *down* to zero.
- But if we only had a DTFT $H(e^{j\omega})$, and *not* a z -transform $H(z)$, the designer could not use any poles to shape $H(e^{j\omega})$...
 - because designing a pole directly into $H(e^{j\omega})$ would make the frequency response fail to converge.
 - The filter would then be *unstable*.
 - So instead, we design the poles into $H(z)$, in the z -plane but off the unit circle.
 - **Recall:** for the filter to be both causal and stable, the poles must be placed strictly *inside* the unit circle of the z -plane.
 - There is no such restriction on the zeros – the designer is free to place zeros anywhere in the z -plane, including inside the unit circle, outside the unit circle, and even on the unit circle.

The z-Transform Time Shift Property

- If $x[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} X(z)$

- Then $x[n-n_0] \xleftrightarrow{z} z^{-n_0} X(z)$

- In other words, shifting a signal in time brings out powers of z^{-1} in the z-transform.

- This does not generally change the ROC.

\Rightarrow However, the points $z=0$ and $z=\infty$ must always be checked.

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

- According to our table,

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

- Applying the time shift property with $n_0=1$, we get

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

- Converting from " z^{-1} " to z , we have

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

- So there is still a pole at $z=\frac{1}{2}$, but no new poles because of the time shift \rightarrow

- So the ROC of $X(z)$ is still the same as the ROC of $(\frac{1}{2})^n u[n]$.

Answer: $X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$

EX: $x[n] = (\frac{1}{2})^n u[n-1]$

- We have to be careful here. The term $u[n-1]$ tells us that we are going to have to apply a time shift,

- But we've got $(\frac{1}{2})^n$, not $(\frac{1}{2})^{n-1}$.

\Rightarrow However, $(\frac{1}{2})^n = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2})^{n-1}$

\Rightarrow So $x[n] = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2})^{n-1} u[n-1]$

- Applying the time shift property to the z-transform pair $(\frac{1}{2})^n u[n] \xleftrightarrow{Z} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$ with $n_0 = 1$, we get

$$\underline{\underline{X(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}}}}$$

EX: $X[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+2} u[n+2]$

- Applying the time shift property to the z-transform pair $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] \xleftrightarrow{Z} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$ with $n_0 = -2$, we get

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

- converting from (z^{-1}) to z , we see that

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

- So the time shift introduced a 2nd order pole at $z=\infty$, but this doesn't change the ROC.

Answer:

$$X(z) = \frac{z^2}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

EX: $X(z) = \frac{z^{-3}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1})}, |z| > \frac{2}{3}$

Find $x[n]$.

Solution: since there are two finite poles (at $z = \frac{1}{2}$ and $z = \frac{2}{3}$), we know we need to do a PFE.

- But $X(z)$ is an improper fraction in z^{-1} , so we can't do the PFE directly on $X(z)$.
- However, we can apply the time shift property:

$$X(z) = \underbrace{z^{-3}}_{\substack{\text{a time} \\ \text{shift}}} \left[\underbrace{\frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1})}}_{\substack{\text{a proper fraction} \\ \text{in } z^{-1}}} \right]$$

- So let $X_2(z) = \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1})}, |z| > \frac{2}{3}$.

→ We will do a PFE to find $x_2[n]$.

→ Then $x[n] = x_2[n-3]$ by the time shift property.

- Doing the PFE on $X_2(z)$, we get

$$\frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{2}\theta)(1-\frac{2}{3}\theta)} = \frac{A}{1-\frac{1}{2}\theta} + \frac{B}{1-\frac{2}{3}\theta}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{1-\frac{2}{3}\theta} \Big|_{\theta=2} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{3}} = -3$$

$$B = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}\theta} \Big|_{\theta=\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4}} = 4$$

$$X_2(z) = \underbrace{\frac{-3}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{4}{1-\frac{2}{3}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{2}{3}}, \quad |z| > \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Table: } x_2[n] = -3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + 4\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n u[n]$$

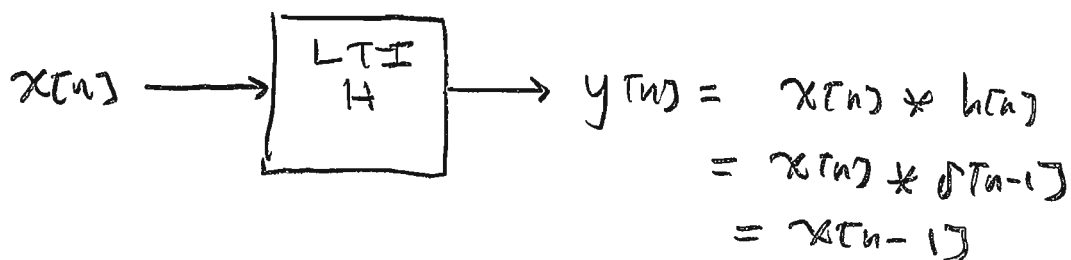
Time Shift Property: $x[n] = -3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-3} u[n-3] + 4\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n-3} u[n-3]$

- Recall from Module 2:

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

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

- A discrete-time LTI system H with impulse response $h[n] = \delta[n-1]$ is called the "unit delay" system:



- According to our z-transform table,

$$\delta[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} 1, \quad \text{all } z.$$

- To find the transfer function $H(z)$ of the unit delay system, apply the time shift property:

$$H(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{\delta[n-1]\} = z^{-1} = \frac{1}{z}$$

→ We see that the time shift has introduced a pole at $z=0$, so the ROC is $|z| > 0$.

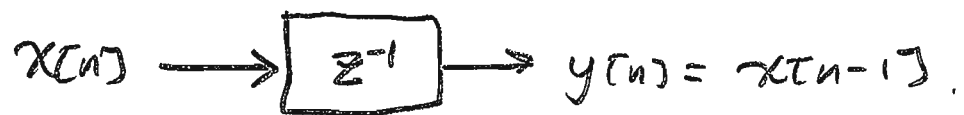
- In the time domain, the I/O equation for this system is;

$$y[n] = x[n-1]$$

- In the z-transform domain, this becomes:

$$Y(z) = X(z)H(z) = z^{-1}X(z)$$

- For this reason, the unit delay system is usually drawn like this:



- It is an FIR filter, because $h[n]$ has finite length.

- It is causal because $h[n] = 0 \quad \forall n < 0$.

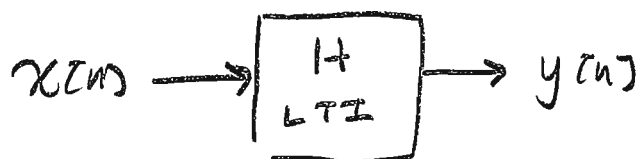
- It is stable because $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| = 1 < \infty$.

- The unit delay system comes up frequently in the implementation of digital filters.

Relationship Between Transfer Function

and Input-Output Equation

- As we saw on p. 6.82, for a discrete-time LTI system H with impulse response $h[n]$ and transfer function $H(z)$



- The z -transform convolution property tells us that $Y(z) = X(z)H(z)$.

- Rearranging, we get

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)}$$

- Similar to the DTFT, this can be used to find the transfer function $H(z)$ from the I/O equation (recall: for a discrete-time LTI system, the I/O equation is a linear constant coefficients difference equation).

-However, more information is generally needed in order to find the ROC of $H(z)$.

-To see how this works, suppose H is a discrete-time LTI system with I/O equation

$$y[n] - \frac{5}{2}y[n-1] + y[n-2] = x[n] - x[n-1]$$

-Use the time shift property to take the z -transform on both sides:

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

$$Y(z) \left[1 - \frac{5}{2}z^{-1} + z^{-2} \right] = X(z) \left[1 - z^{-1} \right]$$

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

-To find the poles, we need to factor the denominator of $H(z)$ to get it in the form $(1 - az^{-1})(1 - bz^{-1})$.

- We need $a+b = \frac{5}{2}$ and $ab = 1$.

→ $ab = 1$ implies a and b have the same sign.

→ $a+b = \frac{5}{2}$ then implies they are both positive.

→ To get the sum to be $\frac{5}{2}$, one of them must have a 2 downstairs. To get the product to be one, the other one must have a 2 upstairs.

→ This leads us immediately to $a = \frac{1}{2}, b = 2$.

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

zeros: $z = 1$

poles: $z = \frac{1}{2}, 2$

- To check the two points $z=0$ and $z=\infty$, convert from z^{-1} to z :

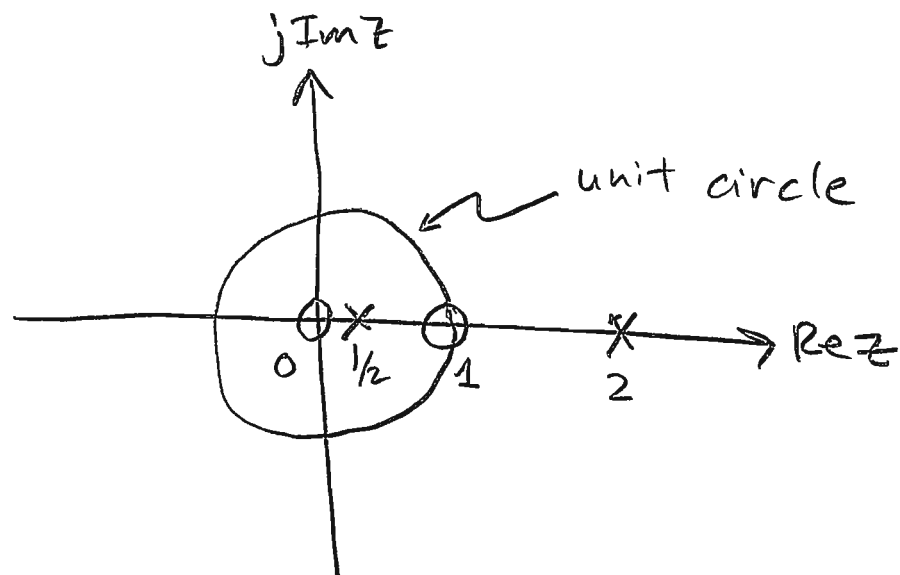
$$H(z) = \frac{z(z-1)}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})}$$

→ There is an additional zero at $z=0$.



- So all together, we have: zeros: $z = 1, 0$
poles: $z = \frac{1}{2}, 2$

P/Z-plot:



- There are three possible ROC's;

① $|z| > 2$

② $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$

③ $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$

\Rightarrow This means that there are actually three discrete LTI systems that have this difference equation and this $H(z)$.

\Rightarrow But they all have different ROC's, different impulse responses $h[n]$, and different effects on the input signal $x[n]$,

- The system with ROC ①, $|z| > 2$, has a right-sided $h(n)$. It is the only one of the three systems that can be causal. Let's call this system H_1 .
- The system with ROC ②, $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$, has a two-sided $h(n)$. Because ROC ② contains the unit circle, this system is the only one of the three that is stable. Let's call this system H_2 . It is the only one that has a frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$.
- The system with ROC ③, $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$, has a left-sided $h(n)$. Because of this, it can not be causal. Because ROC ③ also does not contain the unit circle, this system can not be stable. Let's call this system H_3 .
- Given just the difference equation, we need more information before we can determine which one of these three systems we've actually got.

- Irrespective of which one of these three systems we've actually got, we still need to do a PFE on $H(z)$:

$$\frac{1-\theta}{(1-\frac{1}{2}\theta)(1-2\theta)} = \frac{A}{1-\frac{1}{2}\theta} + \frac{B}{1-2\theta}$$

$$A = \frac{1-\theta}{1-2\theta} \Big|_{\theta=2} = \frac{1-2}{1-4} = \frac{-1}{-3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$B = \frac{1-\theta}{1-\frac{1}{2}\theta} \Big|_{\theta=\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1-\frac{1}{2}}{1-\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$H(z) = \frac{1/3}{1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{2/3}{1-2z^{-1}} \quad (*)$$

→ ROC can not be determined without more information

→ $h[n]$ can not be determined without more information.

- Now suppose we are given:

- that H is causal

- and/or that $h[n]$ is right-sided.

\Rightarrow Then it must be ROC $\textcircled{1}$, the exterior ROC.

\Rightarrow This means that both terms in the PFE (*) on p. 6.118 must have exterior ROC's and they must both invert right-sided.

- we get:

$$H(z) = \underbrace{\frac{1/3}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{2/3}{1 - 2z^{-1}}}_{|z| > 2}, \quad |z| > 2$$

Table:

$$h[n] = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + \frac{2}{3} 2^n u[n]$$

\rightarrow

- We can see that this system is causal, because $h[n] = 0 \quad \forall n < 0$.
- But it is not stable:
 - The ROC of $H(z)$ does not contain the unit circle \Rightarrow not stable
 - The term $2^n u[n]$ in $h[n]$ is blowing up as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Because of this, $h[n]$ is not absolutely summable... not stable.
- The frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$ does not exist. The DTFT sum $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h[n] e^{-j\omega n}$ is divergent, again because of the term $2^n u[n]$ in the impulse response $h[n]$.
 - This is equivalent to the fact that the unit circle is not included in the ROC of $H(z)$.

- Next, suppose that instead, we are given:

- that H is stable
- and/or that $H(e^{j\omega})$ exists
- and/or that $h[n]$ is two-sided.

\Rightarrow Then it must be ROC (\mathbb{Z}) , the annular ROC (making $h[n]$ two-sided)...

- and the only ROC that includes the unit circle (making H stable and making $H(e^{j\omega})$ converge [exist]).

\Rightarrow This means that, in the PFE (*) on p. 6.118,

- the term for the pole @ $z = \frac{1}{2}$ must have an exterior ROC and must invert right-sided.
- the term for the pole @ $z = 2$ must have an interior ROC and must invert left sided.



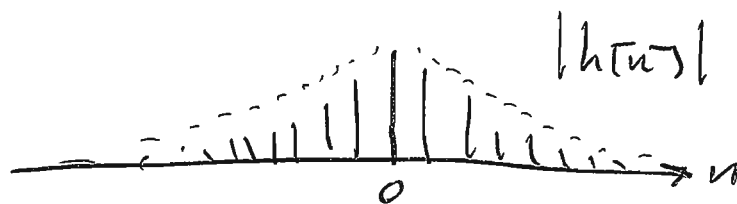
- We get:

$$H(z) = \underbrace{\frac{1/3}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{2/3}{1 - 2z^{-1}}}_{|z| < 2}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

Table: $h[n] = \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] - \frac{2}{3}2^n u[-n-1]$

- We see immediately that this system is not causal: $h[n]$ is two-sided, so there are lots of places $n < 0$ where $h[n] \neq 0$.

- But this time $h[n]$ is absolutely summable



- So out of the three LTI systems that all have the difference equation back on p. 6.114,

- This is the only one that is stable

→

- This is the only one that has a convergent frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$.

- to find the frequency response, remember that $z = re^{j\omega}$.

- the frequency response is given by $H(z)$ above the unit circle... where $r = 1$ (the fixer-upper parameter that does nothing ... see ③ on p. 6.12)

- Looking back to $H(z)$ on p. 6.115, we get

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = H(z) \Big|_{|z|=r=1} = \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega}}{\underline{\underline{(1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\omega})(1 - 2e^{-j\omega})}}}$$

- Finally, suppose instead that we are given:

- that $h[n]$ is left-sided.

\Rightarrow Then it must be ROC ③, the interior ROC.

\Rightarrow This means that both terms in the PFE (*) on p. 6.118 must have interior ROCs, and they must both invert left-sided.

- we get:

$$H(z) = \underbrace{\frac{1/3}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{|z| < \frac{1}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{2/3}{1 - 2z}}_{|z| < 2}, \quad |z| < \frac{1}{2}$$

Table:

$$h[n] = -\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[-n-1] - \frac{2}{3}2^n u[-n-1]$$

- we see that this system is not causal...

because $h[n]$ is left sided... $h[n]$ is nonzero for all $n < 0$.



- This system is also not stable
 - The ROC of $H(z)$ does not include the unit circle of the z -plane
 - The term $(\frac{1}{2})^n u[-n-1]$ is blowing up like $z^{|n|}$ as $n \rightarrow -\infty$. Because of this, $h[n]$ is not absolutely summable.
 - The frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$ does not exist.
 - again because of the term $(\frac{1}{2})^n u[-n-1]$ in $h[n]$, the DTFT sum $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h[n] e^{-j\omega n}$ is divergent.
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- So looking back to the difference equation

$$y[n] - \frac{5}{2}y[n-1] + y[n-2] = x[n] - x[n-1]$$

from p. 6.114,

- we see that there are two poles... because the greatest shift of $y[n]$ is by 2... $y[n-2]$.
- This means there are three possible ROC's for $H(z)$.
- This means there are three different LTI systems H that all share this difference equation.

- At most one of them is causal. The one with the exterior ROC is the only one that has a possibility of being causal.

- It will be causal if $h[n]$ starts at $n \geq 0$ so that $h[n] = 0 \quad \forall n < 0$.

- But if $h[n]$ had started before $n=0$, then none of the three systems would have been causal.

- Exactly one of the three systems is stable.

- It is the one that has the ROC that includes the unit circle (it was ROC ② in this example).

- It is also the only one of the three systems that has a convergent frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$.

- For the other two systems, the frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$ is divergent and fails to exist.

\Rightarrow However, all three systems do have a transfer function $H(z)$.

- More generally, the I/O-equation for an LTI system H is a linear constant coefficients difference equation.

- This means that a linear combination of the shifts of the output signal $y[n]$

- is equal to a linear combination of the shifts of the input signal $x[n]$.

- For some numbers $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{N-1}$ and some numbers b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{M-1}

- The I/O-equation is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 y[n] + a_1 y[n-1] + \dots + a_{N-1} y[n-(N-1)] & \quad (*) \\ & = b_0 x[n] + b_1 x[n-1] + \dots + b_{M-1} x[n-(M-1)]. \end{aligned}$$

- We usually assume that $a_0 = 1$.

- In case you ever get one where $a_0 \neq 1$, just divide both sides by $a_0 \dots$ then you will have a new equivalent equation where a_0 is equal to 1.

- For the z-transform, this all works very similar to what we already saw on pages 5.46 - 5.73 for the DTFT,

- Taking the z-transform on both sides of the general difference equation (*) on p. 6.127, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Z} \{ a_0 y[n] + a_1 y[n-1] + \dots + a_{N-1} y[n-(N-1)] \} \\ = \mathcal{Z} \{ b_0 x[n] + b_1 x[n-1] + \dots + b_{M-1} x[n-(M-1)] \} \end{aligned}$$

$$a_0 Y(z) + a_1 z^{-1} Y(z) + \dots + a_{N-1} z^{N-1} Y(z)$$

$$= b_0 X(z) + b_1 z^{-1} X(z) + \dots + b_{M-1} z^{M-1} X(z)$$

$$Y(z) [a_0 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_{N-1} z^{N-1}] = X(z) [b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_{M-1} z^{M-1}]$$

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_{M-1} z^{M-1}}{a_0 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_{N-1} z^{N-1}} \quad (**)$$

Note: we could have used "capital Σ " do loops to save a lot of writing on p. 6.128... like this:

- Difference Equation:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k y[n-k] = \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} b_m x[n-m]$$

- Take z -transform and use the time shift property:

$$\mathcal{Z} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k y[n-k] \right\} = \mathcal{Z} \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} b_m x[n-m] \right\}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \mathcal{Z} \{ y[n-k] \} = \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} b_m \mathcal{Z} \{ x[n-m] \}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k z^{-k} Y(z) = \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} b_m z^{-m} X(z)$$

$$Y(z) \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k z^{-k} = X(z) \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} b_m z^{-m}$$

$$H(z) = \frac{\sum_{m=0}^{M-1} b_m z^{-m}}{\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k z^{-k}} \quad (***)$$

\Rightarrow which is exactly the same as eq. (**)
on p. 6.128.

- From eq. (**) on p. 6.128 (equivalently, from eq. (***) on p. 6.129),

⇒ We see that for a discrete time LTI system H with difference equation (*) on p. 6.127,

⇒ The transfer function $H(z)$ is always a ratio of two polynomials in the "character" z^{-1} .

→ we say that $H(z)$ is a rational function of z^{-1} .

⇒ The denominator coefficients of $H(z)$ come directly from the "y-side" of the difference equation.

~~A~~ ⇒ The "y-side" of the difference equation determines the poles of $H(z)$.

- This is important!!!

⇒ The numerator coefficients of $H(z)$ come directly from the "x-side" of the difference equation.

★ ⇒ The "x-side" of the difference equation determines the zeros of $H(z)$.

→ This is also important !!!

EX: $y[n] - \frac{5}{6}y[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}y[n-2] = x[n] - \frac{1}{4}x[n-1]$

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = -\frac{5}{6}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$b_0 = 1$$

$$b_1 = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$H(z) = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}$$

[compare to the DTFT example on pages 5.47-5.48]

- Factoring as on pages 5.50 - 5.51, we get

$$H(z) = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}$$

EX:

$$y[n] + \frac{1}{4}y[n-1] - \frac{1}{8}y[n-2] = x[n] + \frac{1}{6}x[n-1]$$

$$H(z) = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{6}z^{-1}}{1 + \frac{1}{4}z^{-1} - \frac{1}{8}z^{-2}}$$

⇒ Compare to the 2nd DTFT example on p. 5.57.

⇒ This will become very easy to do after you practice a little bit.

⇒ Remember: the difference equation does not specify the system uniquely.

- For any given difference equation, there will generally be more than one LTI system that shares the difference equation.

→ The number of systems is equal to the number of possible ROCs for $H(z)$.

- To determine the system uniquely, you need more information... →

- For example, you might also be told one or more of the following:
 - H is causal / not causal
 - H is stable / unstable
 - $H(e^{j\omega})$ exists / does not exist
 - $h[n]$ is right-sided / two-sided / left-sided
- But, for any given difference equation,
 - At most one of the systems will be causal (the one with the overall exterior ROC is the only one that might be causal... if and only if $h[n] = 0 \forall n < 0$).
 - Exactly one of the systems will be stable... it is the one with the ROC that includes the unit circle.
 - Exactly one of the systems will have a frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$... it is also the one with the ROC that includes the unit circle.

- It might or might not be true that one of the systems can be both causal and stable.

→ Recall from p. 6.101: for an LTI system to be both causal and stable, all of the poles must lie strictly inside the unit circle.

→ So, for any given difference equation there will generally be several possible ROCs... depending on the locations of the poles.

⇒ If the ROC that is overall exterior also includes the unit circle of the z -plane,

⇒ Then it is possible for the system corresponding to this ROC to be both causal and stable... iff $h[n] = 0 \forall n < 0$.

EX: H is a causal, stable discrete-time LTI system with input-output equation

$$y[n] - \frac{5}{6}y[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}y[n-2] = 2x[n] - \frac{5}{6}x[n-1]$$

- Find the impulse response $h[n]$.

Solution: take z -transform on both sides to find the transfer function $H(z)$:

$$\begin{aligned} Y(z) - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1}Y(z) + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}Y(z) \\ = 2X(z) - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1}X(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$Y(z) \left[1 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2} \right] = X(z) \left[2 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} \right]$$

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{2 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}$$

$$= \frac{2(1 - \frac{5}{12}z^{-1})}{(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} \quad (*)$$

→

- From (*) on p. 6.135 we can see that there are poles @ $z = \frac{1}{3}$ and $z = \frac{1}{2}$, as well as a zero @ $z = \frac{5}{12}$.
- Converting from z^{-1} to z (multiply $H(z)$ by $1 = \frac{z^2}{z^2}$), we get

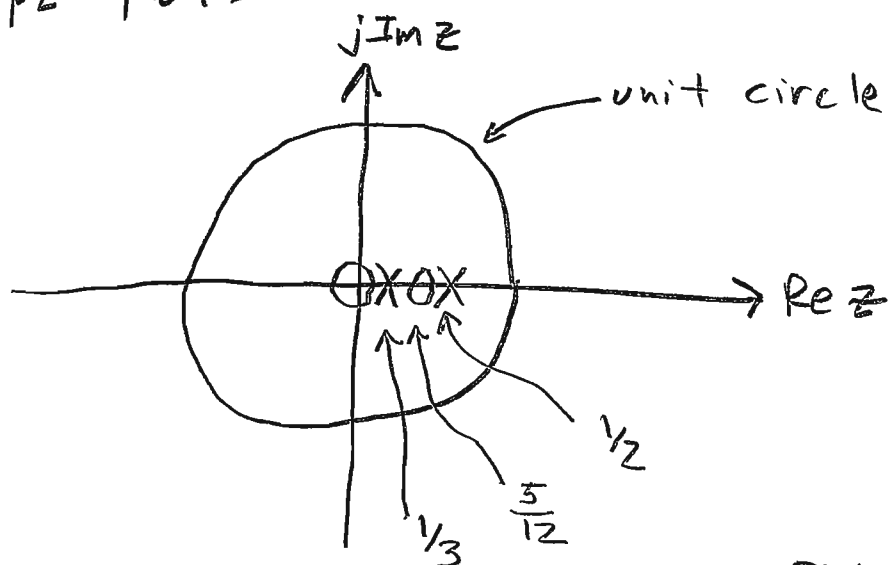
$$H(z) = \frac{2z \left(z - \frac{5}{12} \right)}{\left(z - \frac{1}{3} \right) \left(z - \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

- This shows us an additional zero @ $z = 0$.
- At $z = \infty$ we get

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} H(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2z^2}{z^2} = 2$$

- So $z = \infty$ is not a pole and is not a zero.

- Here is the pZ-plot:



- The possible ROC's are:

$$|z| < \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} < |z| < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$|z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

→ Since the system is given to be stable, the ROC must include the unit circle

→ Since the system is given to be causal, the ROC must be exterior

⇒ The ROC must be $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$

- To invert and find $h[n]$, we need a PFE =

- From (*) on p. 6.135, we have

$$\frac{2 - \frac{5}{6}\theta}{(1 - \frac{1}{3}\theta)(1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta)} = \frac{A}{1 - \frac{1}{3}\theta} + \frac{B}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta}$$

$$A = \left. \frac{2 - \frac{5}{6}\theta}{1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta} \right|_{\theta=3} = \frac{2 - \frac{5}{2}}{1 - \frac{3}{2}} = \frac{\frac{4}{2} - \frac{5}{2}}{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{-\frac{1}{2}} = \underline{1}$$

→

$$B = \left. \frac{2 - \frac{5}{6}\theta}{1 - \frac{1}{3}\theta} \right|_{\theta=2} = \frac{2 - \frac{5}{3}}{1 - \frac{2}{3}} = \frac{\frac{6}{3} - \frac{5}{3}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{3}} = 1$$

-So,

$$H(z) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{3}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{|z| > \frac{1}{2}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

Table:

$$h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n] + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

- $h[n] = 0 \quad \forall n < 0$: causal ✓

$$\begin{aligned} - \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left| \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \right| \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{2}{3}} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} + 2 = \frac{7}{2} < \infty \quad \checkmark \quad \underline{\text{STABLE}} \end{aligned}$$

FIR Filters in the z-domain

- As we saw on pages 5.67-5.68, for an FIR filter the difference equation has no shifts of $y[n]$.

\Rightarrow This is equivalent to saying that $h[n]$ has finite length, although that fact is not obvious and takes some work to prove rigorously.

EX: $h[n] = \delta[n] - \frac{5}{6}\delta[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}\delta[n-2]$ finite length

- Using "convolution with deltas" from our course notes on convolution, we get

$$\begin{aligned}y[n] &= x[n] * h[n] \\ &= x[n] * \left\{ \delta[n] - \frac{5}{6}\delta[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}\delta[n-2] \right\} \\ &= x[n] - \frac{5}{6}x[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}x[n-2]\end{aligned}$$

\longrightarrow

- So the I/O equation is

$$y[n] = x[n] - \frac{5}{6}x[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}x[n-2]$$

↑

No shifts of $y[n]$

⇒ This means that the denominator of $H(z)$ is equal to 1.

⇒ This means there are no "nontrivial" poles... because the denominator of $H(z)$ is a zeroth order polynomial and has no roots.

⇒ For an FIR filter, the poles are all located at $z=0$.

- From the difference equation above, or by transforming $h[n]$ on p. 6.139 (Either way is fine), we get

$$H(z) = 1 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2} \quad (*)$$

→

- From (*) on p. 6.140, it's clear that $z=0$ is a pole, because

$$H(z) = 1 - \frac{5}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{z^2}.$$

- So the ROC is $|z| > 0$.

- But to understand this more clearly, let's write $H(z)$ as a rational function in factored form:

$$H(z) = \frac{1 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}{1} = \frac{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1})}{1}$$

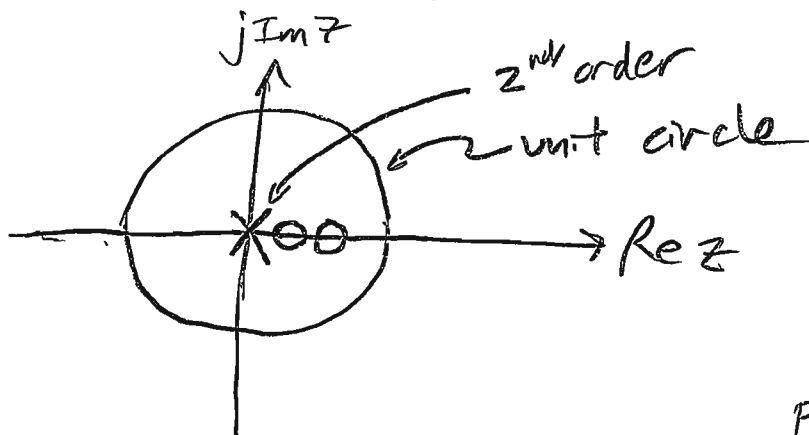
- Multiply by $\frac{z^2}{z^2}$ to convert from z^{-1} to z :

$$H(z) = \frac{(z - \frac{1}{2})(z - \frac{1}{3})}{z^2}$$

Zeros: $z = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}$

Poles: $z=0$ (2nd order)

p-z plot:



- For an FIR filter, this will always be the case.

- the poles will all be located @ $z=0$.

- The ROC will always be $|z| > 0$

- \Rightarrow The ROC will always include the unit circle

\Rightarrow The filter will always be stable

\Rightarrow $H(e^{j\omega})$ will always exist (converge).

- The filter might or might not be causal, depending on whether or not $h[n] = 0 \forall n < 0$.

EX: $h[n] = \delta[n] - 2\delta[n-1] + \delta[n-2]$

$\rightarrow h[n] = 0 \quad \forall n < 0$

\Rightarrow causal

EX: $h[n] = \frac{1}{4}\delta[n+1] + \frac{1}{2}\delta[n] + \frac{1}{4}\delta[n-1]$



$h[-1] = \frac{1}{4} \neq 0$

\Rightarrow NOT causal

IIR Filters in the z-domain

- As we saw for the DTFT on pages 5.70 - 5.73, if there are any shifts of $y[n]$ in the difference equation,
 - then the length of the impulse response $h[n]$ is infinite.
 - the system is an IIR filter.
- Thus, the transfer function $H(z)$ of an IIR filter will have a "nontrivial" denominator...
 - This means that the denominator will be a nontrivial polynomial in z^{-1} ... it will not be equal to 1.

EX : $y[n] - \frac{5}{6}y[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}y[n-2] = x[n] - \frac{1}{4}x[n-1]$ (*)

- The difference equation has shifts of $y[n]$
- This is an IIR filter
- The denominator of $H(z)$ will not be 1
- There will be nontrivial poles at other than $z=0$.



- Applying the z-transform to both sides of the difference equation on p. 6.143 (and using the time shift property), we get:

$$\mathcal{Z}\left\{y[n] - \frac{5}{6}y[n-1] + \frac{1}{6}y[n-2]\right\} = \mathcal{Z}\left\{x[n] - \frac{1}{4}x[n-1]\right\}$$

$$Y(z) - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1}Y(z) + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}Y(z) = X(z) - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}X(z)$$

$$Y(z)\left[1 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}\right] = X(z)\left[1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}\right]$$

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}$$

→ compare to the DTFT example on p. 5.71.

- Without more information, we cannot determine the ROC.

- Factoring the denominator, we get

$$H(z) = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}\right)}$$

→ There is a zero @ $z = \frac{1}{4}$

→ There are poles @ $z = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}$

→

- Multiplying $H(z)$ by $\frac{z^2}{z^2}$ to convert from z^{-1} to z , we get

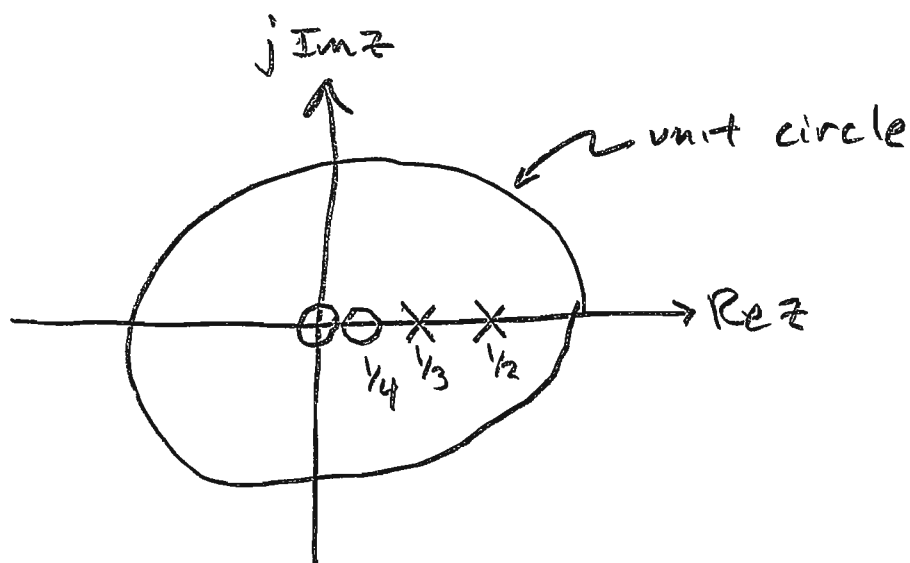
$$H(z) = \frac{z(z - \frac{1}{4})}{(z - \frac{1}{2})(z - \frac{1}{3})}$$

→ There is an additional zero @ $z=0$

$$\rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} H(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z^2}{z^2} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 1$$

- So $z=\infty$ is not a pole and is not a zero.

PZ-plot:



- The possible ROCs for $H(z)$ are:

$$\begin{aligned} |z| &< \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} &< |z| < \frac{1}{2} \\ |z| &> \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

- This tells us that there are three IIR filters that have this difference equation and this $H(z)$.

→ But they all have different ROCs,

⇒ only the one with ROC $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ can be causal (LTI) right-sided).

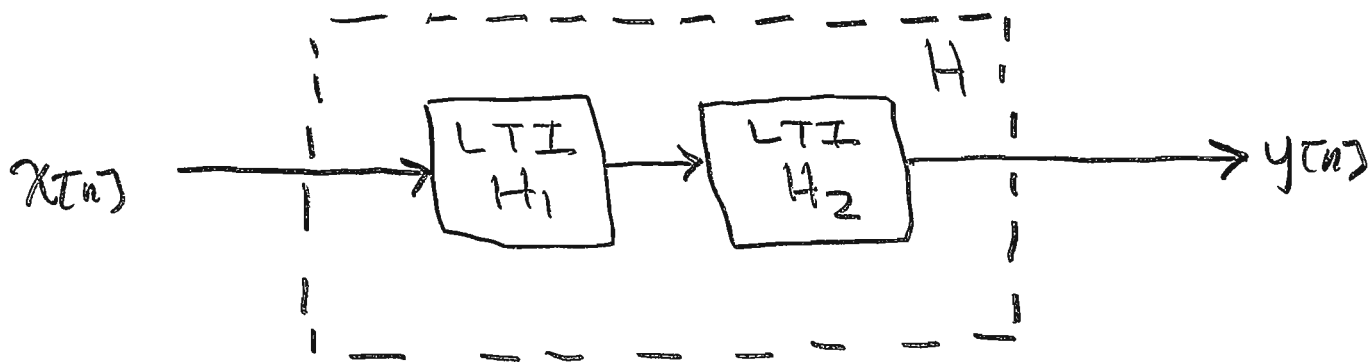
⇒ only the one with ROC $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ is stable... because this is the ROC that contains the unit circle.

⇒ only the one with ROC $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ has a frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$... again because this is the only ROC that contains the unit circle... and the unit circle is where $H(z) \Big|_{|z|=r=1} = H(e^{j\omega})$.

z-domain System Interconnections

- This is almost identical to what we saw for the DTFT on pages 5.33 - 5.38.

- "Series" or "cascade" connection:



$$h[n] = h_1[n] * h_2[n]$$

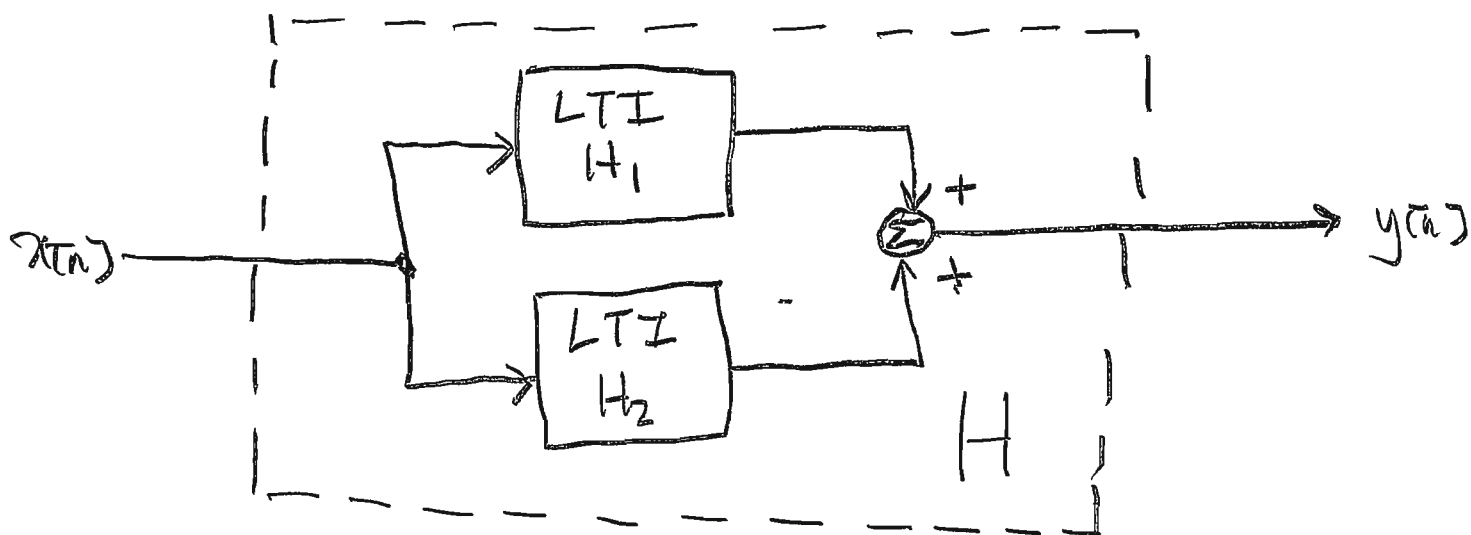
$$H(z) = H_1(z) H_2(z)$$

- The ROC is at least $R_1 \cap R_2$

- Generally, the ROC will be the intersection of the ROC's of $H_1(z)$ and $H_2(z)$.

- However, if multiplying $H_1(z)$ times $H_2(z)$ causes a pole-zero cancellation, then the ROC might be expanded.

- Parallel Connection:

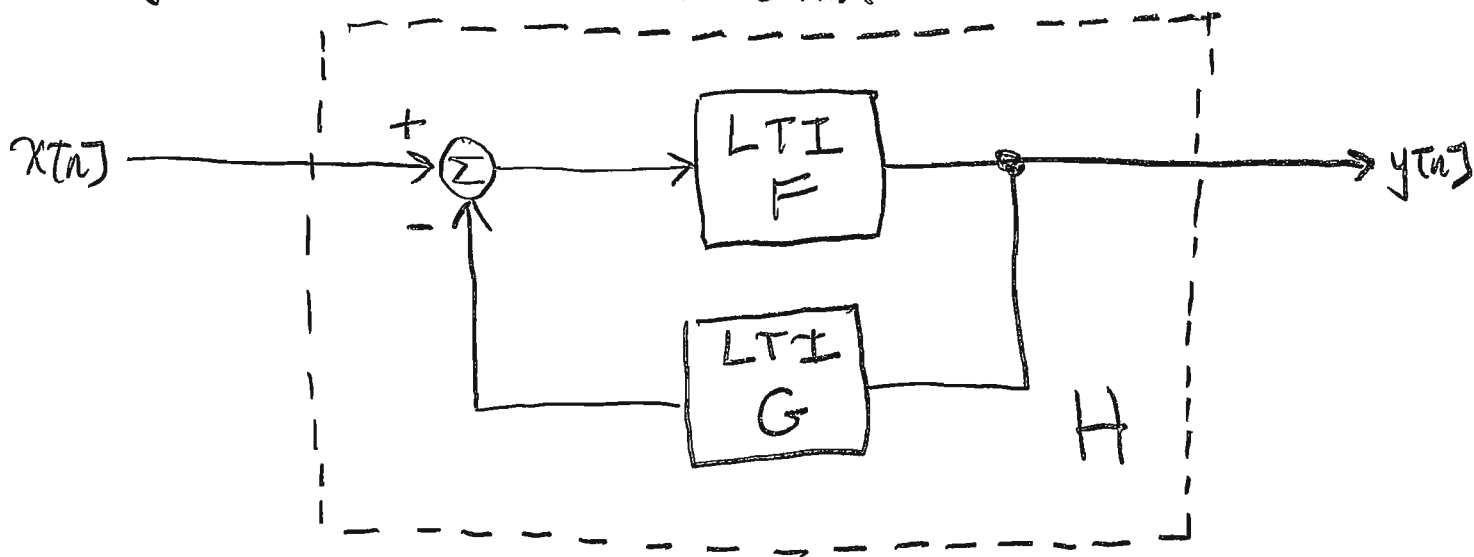


$$h[n] = h_1[n] + h_2[n]$$

$$H(z) = H_1(z) + H_2(z)$$

- The ROC is at least $R_1 \cap R_2$
- Generally, the ROC will be the intersection of the ROCs of $H_1(z)$ and $H_2(z)$.
- However, if adding $H_1(z)$ and $H_2(z)$ causes a pole-zero cancellation, then the ROC of $H(z)$ might be expanded.

- Negative Feedback Connection:



$h[n]$: no general closed form in the time domain.

$$H(z) = \frac{F(z)}{1 + F(z)G(z)}$$

- This connection will generally cause the poles of $F(z)$ and $G(z)$ to change location in $H(z)$.
- So there is no simple rule to determine the ROC of $H(z)$ from the ROC's of $F(z)$ and $G(z)$.
- To determine the ROC of $H(z)$, you must find the poles and then use causality and/or stability information to deduce the correct ROC.

- If F and G are both causal, then H will also be causal.
- In this case, the ROC of $H(z)$ will be exterior to the largest magnitude pole.
- In most practical cases, you will only be interested in the case where the system H is both causal and stable... so the correct ROC will be the one that contains the unit circle and it will be exterior to the largest magnitude pole.