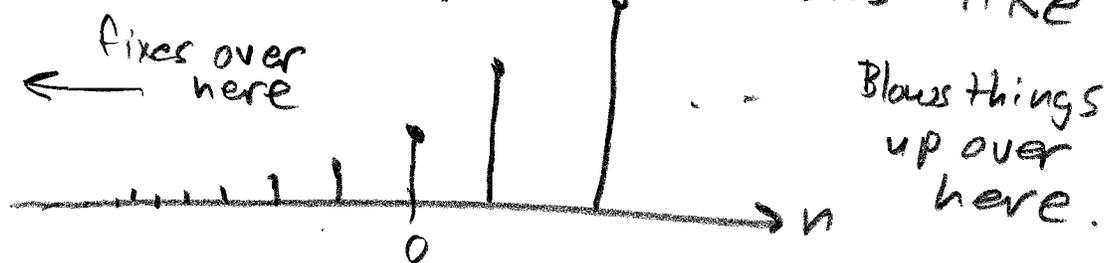


For the z-transform, the "fixer-upper" is  $r^{-n}$ , where  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $r > 0$ . ZAI

→ if  $0 < r < 1$ , then  $r^{-n}$  fixes up on the left. For example, if  $r = \frac{1}{4}$ , then  $r^{-n} = 4^n$ , which looks like



→ if  $r = 1$ , then  $r^{-n} = 1$  and the fixer-upper does nothing.

→ if  $r > 1$ , then  $r^{-n}$  fixes up on the right. For example, if  $r = 4$ , then  $r^{-n} = (\frac{1}{4})^n$ , which looks like:



Now, the z-transform is just the  $\text{ZAZ}$   
DTFT of the fixed up guy  $x[n] r^{-n}$ .

$$X(z) = \mathcal{F}\{x[n] r^{-n}\}$$

$$= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} x[n] r^{-n} e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} x[n] \underbrace{(r e^{j\omega})^{-n}}$$

$z$  in polar form

$r = \text{magnitude}$

$\omega = \text{angle}$

$$= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} x[n] z^{-n}$$

→ For each choice of  $r$ , you either do  
or do not get a convergent Fourier  
transform.

→ when you do, the sum converges at all  
the  $\omega \in [-\pi, \pi)$  for that  $r$ .

→ so you get a circle of radius  $r$  as  
part of the region of convergence (ROC)

EX: Suppose that  $X(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} x[n] z^{-n}$

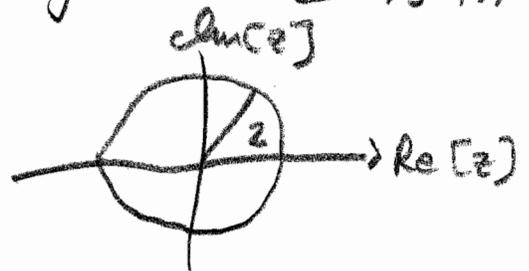
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$$= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} x[n] r^{-n} e^{-j\omega n}$$

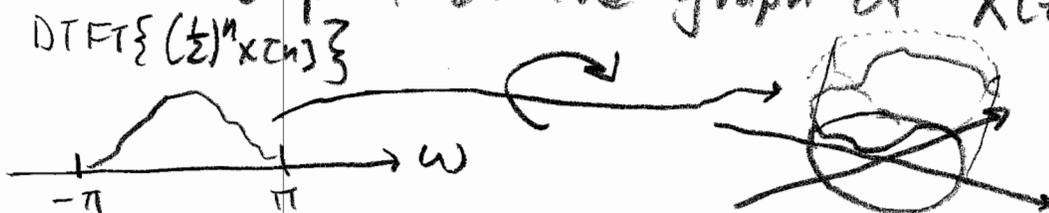
converges for  $r=2$ .

→ This means that the fixed up guy  $2^{-n} x[n] = (\frac{1}{2})^n x[n]$  has a convergent Fourier transform.

→ This means that  $X(z)$  converges for  $r=|z|=2$ . In other words, it converges for all the  $\omega$ 's at  $r=2$ . So the circle of  $z$ 's with magnitude 2 is in the ROC of  $X(z)$ :



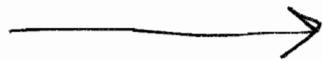
→ The graph of the DTFT of the fixed up guy  $(\frac{1}{2})^n x[n]$  is wrapped around this circle as part of the graph of  $X(z)$ :



So you should think of the

z-transform as a collection of Fourier transforms of fixed up guys  $r^{-n}x[n]$  for all the different choices of  $r > 0$ .

- For each choice of  $r$ , you get the Fourier transform (DTFT) of  $r^{-n}x[n]$  around the circle of radius  $r$  in the z-plane
  - If this converges, then all the  $z$ 's with  $|z|=r$  are part of the ROC of  $X(z)$ .
  - if it doesn't converge, then the  $z$ 's with  $|z|=r$  are not part of the ROC of  $X(z)$ .



Now here's what I said

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backwards in class on Thu. 9/13,  
because I momentarily forgot about  
the "-" in  $r^{-n}$ :

→ Suppose  $x[n]$  is a right-sided guy.

→ Then there is some  $n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$  such  
that  $x[n] = 0 \quad \forall n \leq n_0$ .

→ In other words,  $x[n]$  is all  
zero if you go far enough out  
to the left (i.e., further left  
than  $n_0$ ).

→ So if  $x[n]$  is a bad guy,  
his bad behaviour must be  
on the right side.

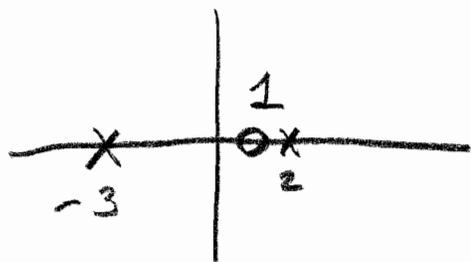
→ Fixer-uppers  $r^{-n}$  with  $r > 1$   
will be able to fix this, because  
they fix up on the right.

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→ Fixer-uppers with  $0 < r < 1$  will not fix up this  $x[n]$ . In fact, if he has bad behaviour, these fixer-uppers will make things even worse, because these fixer-uppers are growing fast out on the right side.

In other words: for a right-sided  $x[n]$ , the ROC includes  $r$ 's from fixer-uppers that fix on the right... So the ROC is the exterior of the circle that passes through the largest pole of  $X(z)$ .

EX: given that  $x[n]$  is right sided and  $X(z) = \frac{z-1}{(z-2)(z+3)}$ .



The ROC must be  $|z| > 3$ .

→ Note:  $X(e^{j\omega})$  doesn't exist... unit circle not in ROC.

Similarly, if  $x[n]$  is left-sided,

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than any bad behaviour is on the left.

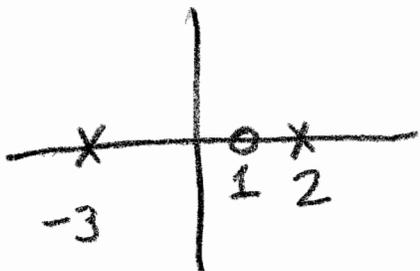
So the ROC includes  $r$ 's from  
further-uppers that fix on the left.

These are the small  $r$ 's.

So the ROC of  $X(z)$  must be the  
interior of a circle that  
passes through the smallest pole.

EX: given that  $x[n]$  is left sided and

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



The ROC must be  $|z| < 2$ .

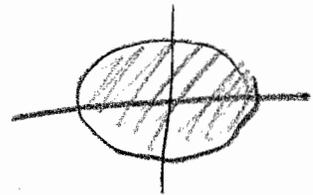
NOTE: in this case,  $X(e^{j\omega})$   
does exist, because the ROC  
of  $X(z)$  contains the unit  
circle, and that's exactly  
where  $r=1$  so that  $X(z)$  equals  
 $X(e^{j\omega})$ .

Any two-sided  $x[n]$  can be

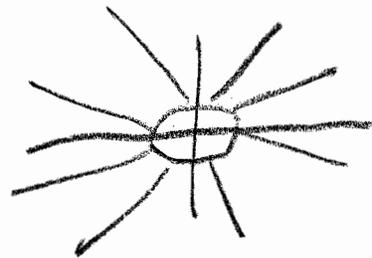
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broken into the sum of a left-sided guy and a right-sided guy.

The left-sided part has a z-transform with an interior ROC:



The right-sided part has a z-transform with an exterior ROC:



The overall z-transform  $X(z) = \sum x[n]z^{-n}$  is the sum of the transforms of the two parts.

It has a ROC that includes only those  $z$  for which both parts converge.

In other words, the ROC of  $X(z)$  is the intersection of the two ROCs, which is an annulus or "ring".



How does all this apply to the ZAG  
transfer function of a discrete-time  
LTI system?



impulse response:  $h[n]$

frequency response:  $H(e^{j\omega})$

transfer function:  $H(z)$ .

- ① we already know that the system is BIBO stable iff  $h[n] \in \ell^1(\mathbb{Z})$ , i.e.  
iff  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} |h[n]| < \infty$ .

Note: this is a sufficient condition to ensure that  $X(e^{j\omega})$  converges.

- ② if  $H$  is causal, then  $h[n]$  must be zero for the negative  $n$ 's. In other words  $h[n]$  is either right-sided or finite length. In other words, the ROC of  $H(z)$  is either the whole  $z$ -plane or it is exterior.

① and ② imply this: A causal ZAI0  
discrete-time LTI system is stable  
if all the poles of  $H(z)$  are  
inside the unit circle.

→ If  $H(z)$  is rational in  $z$ , this  
becomes "if and only if."

More generally, any LTI discrete-time system  
(causal or not) is stable if the ROC of  
 $H(z)$  includes the unit circle.

Also, if the system is causal, then the  
ROC of  $H(z)$  must be exterior.

→ But this is not "if and only if,"  
because  $h[n]$  could be right-sided  
but start before  $n=0$ . This  
would give you an exterior ROC,  
but a non-causal system.