Z-TRANSFORM

Laplace transform

$$X(s) = L\{x(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-st}dt$$
$$x(t) = L^{-1}\{X(s)\} = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\gamma-j\infty}^{\gamma+j\infty} X(s)e^{st}ds$$



PIERRE-SIMON LAPLACE (1749-1827)

- Simplifies the work with continuous-time signals and LTI systems
- Laplace transform of the impulse response of an LTI continuous-time system represents its *transfer function*

Z-transform

• *Z*-transform represents the following mapping of a discrete-time signal into a complex series:

$$X(z) = Z\{x(n)\} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) z^{-n}$$
$$x(n) = Z^{-1}\{X(z)\} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\alpha} X(z) z^{n-1} dz$$

• There is also *unilateral z*-transform:

$$X(z) = Z_u \{x(n)\} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x(n) z^{-n}$$

Region of convergence



$$x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 0,5^{k} \delta(n-k) = 0,5^{n} u(n)$$

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$$X(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 0,5^{n} z^{-n} = \frac{1}{1-0,5z^{-1}}, |z| > 0,5$$

 The region of convergence (ROC) is the set of complex values of z for which the definition sum of the z-transform converges

Rational z-transform

• For a wide class of signals *z*-transform can be written as a *rational function* of *z*

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) z^{-n} = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} b_i z^{-i}}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i z^{-i}}$$

- When identifying zeros and poles, we assume that X(z) is irreducible
- *Zeros of ZT* are the roots of the polinomial in the numerator (and ZT, if it exists there, is equal to 0)
- *Poles of ZT* are the roots of the polinomial in the denominator (and ZT, if it exists in the neghbourhood, converges to infinity)
- If the signal is real, zeros and poles are either real or they appear as complex conjugate pairs

Properties of *z*-transform

Linearity

$$Z\{ax(n)+by(n)\}=aX(z)+bY(z)$$

Time shifting

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

Scaling in the z-domain

$$Z\{a^n x(n)\} = X(a^{-1}z)$$

Properties of z-transform

Time reversal

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

Differentiation

$$Z\{nx(n)\} = -z \frac{dX(z)}{dz}$$

Transform of convolution

$$Z\{x(n) * y(n)\} = X(z)Y(z)$$

Inverse z-transform

• Inverse *z*-transform is given by

$$x(n) = Z^{-1}\{X(z)\} = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint_{C} X(z) z^{n-1} dz$$

- *C* is any counterclockwise closed path encircling the origin and entirely in the region of convergence (ROC)
- The signal *x*(*n*) is more easily found using appropriate tables or the residue theory

$$x(n) = \begin{cases} \sum_{p_{i} \text{ unutarC}} \operatorname{Res}\{X(z)z^{n-1}\}\Big|_{z=p_{i}}, & n \ge 0\\ -\sum_{p_{i} \text{ vanC}} \operatorname{Res}\{X(z)z^{n-1}\}\Big|_{z=p_{i}}, & n < 0 \end{cases}$$
$$\operatorname{Res}\{X(z)z^{n-1}\}\Big|_{z=p_{i}} = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \left[\frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}}(z-p_{i})^{m}X(z)z^{n-1}\right]_{z=p_{i}} \end{cases}$$

Transfer function

• Z-transform of the impulse response of an LTI system

$$H(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h(n) z^{-n} \qquad \qquad x(n) * h(n) = y(n)$$
$$X(z)H(z) = Y(z)$$

• *H*(*z*) can be written in the form of a rational function if and only if the IOR is a linear difference equation with constant coefficients

$$\sum_{i=0}^{M} a_i y(n-i) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} b_i x(n-i) \qquad H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{M} b_i z^{-i}}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i z^{-i}}$$

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- Finite duration signals
 - Infinite sum becomes finite:

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) z^{-n} = \sum_{n=N_1}^{N_2} x(n) z^{-n}$$

- This sum may not converge only for z = 0 or z → ∞, thus ROC is (almost) the entire z-plane
- These poles are considered trivial, as their influence on the behaviour of the system is limited to shifting the response in time

Causal infinite duration signals

 $x(n) = A_1 p_1^n u(n) + A_2 p_2^n u(n) + \ldots + A_N p_N^n u(n)$



Anticausal infinite duration signals

 $x(n) = B_1 q_1^n u(-n-1) + B_2 q_2^n u(-n-1) + \ldots + B_M q_M^n u(-n-1)$



• General case

$$x(n) = A_{1}p_{1}^{n}u(n) + A_{2}p_{2}^{n}u(n) + \dots + A_{N}p_{N}^{n}u(n) + B_{1}q_{1}^{n}u(-n-1) + B_{2}q_{2}^{n}u(-n-1) + \dots + B_{M}q_{M}^{n}u(-n-1)$$



- Any system is stable if the output signal y(n) remains bounded for each bounded input signal x(n)
 - This is referred to as BIBO (Bounded Input Bounded Output) stability
- LTI system is stable
 - if and only if its impulse response is absolutely summable

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h(n)| < \infty$$

which obviously implies that the impulse response converges to 0 when $n \rightarrow \pm \infty$

 if and only if the unit circle in the *z*-plain lies in the region of convergence

FIR systems

- Impulse response is absolutely summable, so they are *always stable*
- Canonical block diagram of realization contains no feedback (recursive) loops
- Irreducible transfer function contains no non-trivial poles





• Causal IIR systems

$$h(n) = A_1 p_1^n u(n) + A_2 p_2^n u(n) + \ldots + A_N p_N^n u(n)$$



• Anticausal IIR systems

 $h(n) = B_1 q_1^n u(-n-1) + B_2 q_2^n u(-n-1) + \ldots + B_M q_M^n u(-n-1)$



• Typical general case

$$h(n) = A_1 p_1^n u(n) + A_2 p_2^n u(n) + \dots + A_N p_N^n u(n) + B_1 q_1^n u(-n-1) + B_2 q_2^n u(-n-1) + \dots + B_M q_M^n u(-n-1)$$



Marginal stability

- The unit circle represents the boundary of the region of convergence and all poles on the unit circle are distinct
- Marginally stable systems are not BIBO stable
 - There is a bounded input signal which will result in unbounded output
 - For an impulse input, the output will be bounded but it will not return to zero
- An example of such a system is the LTI system with impulse response h(n)=u(n)

