Solution of difference equations using one-sided ZT

# Properties of z-Transform

(1) Time Shifting  $x[n-n_0] \longleftrightarrow z^{-n_0} X(z),$ 

The rationality of X(z) unchanged, ROC unchanged except for the possible addition or deletion of the origin or infinity  $n_0 > 0 \Rightarrow \text{ROC } z \neq 0 \text{ (maybe)}$  $n_0 < 0 \Rightarrow \text{ROC } z \neq \infty \text{ (maybe)}$ 

(2) z-Domain Differentiation  $nx[n] \longleftrightarrow -z \frac{dX(z)}{dz}$ , same ROC

(3) Linearity:  $ax[n] + by[n] \leftrightarrow aX(z) + bY(z)$ 

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(4) Z-scale Property:  $a^n x[n] \longleftrightarrow X\left(\frac{z}{a}\right)$ 

- (5) Initial Value :  $x[0] = \lim_{z \to \infty} X(z)$
- (6) Final Value : x[∞] = lim<sub>z→1</sub> (z-1)X(z)
  (Applicable only if the ROC of (z-1)X(z) includes the unit circle, i.e., all the poles are inside the unit circle)
- (7) Convolution:  $h[n] * x[n] \longleftrightarrow H(z)X(z)$

## Rational z-Transform

For most practical signals, the *z*-transform can be expressed as a ratio of two polynomials

$$X(z) = \frac{N(z)}{D(z)} = \frac{b_0(z - z_1)(z - z_2)\cdots(z - z_M)}{a_0(z - p_1)(z - p_2)\cdots(z - p_N)}$$
  
where  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_M$  are the *zeroes* of  $X(z)$ , i.e., the roots  
of the numerator polynomial  
and  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N$  are the *poles* of  $X(z)$ , i.e., the roots

of the denominator polynomial.

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It is customary to normalize the denominator polynomial to make its leading coefficients one, i.e.,

$$X(z) = \frac{N(z)}{D(z)} = \frac{b_0(z - z_1)(z - z_2)\cdots(z - z_M)}{(z - p_1)(z - p_2)\cdots(z - p_N)}$$
$$= \frac{b_0 z^M + b_1 z^{M-1} + \dots + b_M}{z^N + a_1 z^{N-1} + \dots + a_N}$$

Also, it x[n] is a causal signal, then X(z) will be a proper rational polynomial with  $M \le N$ , i.e., # of zeroes  $\le$  # of poles.

#### Inverse z-Transform

$$\begin{split} X(z) &= X(re^{j\omega}) = \mathcal{F}\{x[n]r^{-n}\}, \text{ where } z = re^{j\omega} \in \text{ ROC} \\ \text{DTFT} \\ x[n]r^{-n} &= \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{X(re^{j\omega})\right\} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(re^{j\omega})e^{j\omega n}d\omega \\ \text{IDTFT} \\ x[n] &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(re^{j\omega})\underbrace{r^{n}e^{j\omega n}}_{z^{n}}d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint X(z)z^{n-1}dz \quad \text{(A contour integral)} \end{split}$$

where, for a fixed r,  $z = re^{j\omega} \Rightarrow dz = jre^{j\omega}d\omega \Rightarrow d\omega = \frac{1}{j}z^{-1}dz$ 

# Synthetic Division Method

• Write X(z) as a normalized rational polynomial in  $z^{-1}$  by multiplying the numerator and denominator by  $z^{-N}$ 

$$X(z) = \frac{z^{-r}(b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_M z^{-M})}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_N z^{-N}}$$

• Perform long division of the numerator polynomial by the denominator polynomial to produce the quotient polynomial  $q(z^{-1})$ 

• Identify coefficients in the power series definition of X(z) where

$$X(z) = z^{-r}[q(0) + q(1)z^{-1} + q(2)z^{-2} + \cdots]$$
  

$$r = 0 \to x[n] = q[n], \qquad r \ge 0 \to x[n] = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \le n \le r \\ q[n-r], & r \le n < \infty \end{cases}$$

Ex. Find the inverse z-transform of  $X(z) = 3z^3 - z + 2z^{-4}$ 

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

 $X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] z^{-n} = \cdots x[-3] z^{-(-3)} + x[-2] z^{-(-2)} + x[-1] z^{-(-1)} + x[0] + x[1] z^{-1} + x[2] z^{-2} + x[3] z^{-3}$ 

Equating coefficients,

$$x[n] = \{\cdots, 0, 3, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, \cdots\}$$

# Remarks: This method doesn't produce a closed-form expression for x[n]

# Z-Transform Solution of Linear Difference Equations

- We can use z-transform to solve the difference equation that characterizes a causal, linear, time invariant system. The following expressions are especially useful to solve the difference equations:
- $z[y[(n-1)T] = z^{-1}Y(z) + y[-T]$
- $Z[y(n-2)T] = z^{-2}Y(z) + z^{-1}y[-T] + y[-2T]$
- $Z[y(n-3)T] = z^{-3}Y(z) + z^{-2}y[-T] + z^{-1}y[-2T] + y[-3T]$

**Example:** Consider the following difference equation: y[nT] -0.1y[(n-1)T] - 0.02y[(n-2)T] = 2x[nT] - x[(n-1)T]where the initial conditions are y[-T] = -10 and y[-2T] = 20. Y[nT] is the output and x[nT] is the unit step input.

#### Solution:

Computing the z-transform of the difference equation gives

 $\begin{aligned} Y(z) &= 0.1[z^{-1}Y(z) + y[-T]] = 0.02[z^{-2}Y(z) + z^{-1}y[-T] + y[-2T]] \\ = 2X(z) - z^{-1}X(z) \end{aligned}$ 

Substituting the initial conditions we get  $Y(z) - 0.1z^{-1}Y(z) + 1 - 0.02z^{-2}Y(z) - 0.2z^{-1} - 0.4 = (2 - z^{-1})X(z)$ 

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$$(1-0.1z^{-1}-0.02z^{-2})Y(z) = (2-z^{-1})\frac{1}{1-z^{-1}} - 0.2z^{-1} - 0.6$$

$$Y(z) \Big[ 1 - 0.2z^{-1} - 0.02z^{-2} \Big] = \frac{2 - z^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1}} - 0.2z^{-1} - 0.6$$

$$Y(z) = \frac{1.4 - 0.6z^{-1} + 0.2z^{-2}}{(1 - z^{-1})(1 - 0.1z^{-1} - 0.02z^{-2})} = \frac{1.4 - 0.6z^{-1} + 0.2z^{-2}}{(1 - z^{-1})(1 - 0.2z^{-1})(1 + 0.1z^{-1})}$$

$$=\frac{1.4z^{3}-0.6z^{2}+0.2z}{(z-1)(z-0.2)(z+0.1)}$$

$$\frac{Y(z)}{z}=\frac{1.136}{z-1}+\frac{-0.567}{z-0.2}+\frac{0.830}{z+0.1}$$

$$Y(z) = 1.136 \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} - 0.567 \frac{1}{1 - 0.2z^{-1}} + 0.830 \frac{1}{1 + 0.1z^{-1}}$$

#### and the output signal y[nT] is

 $y[nT] = 1.136u[nT] - 0.567(0.2)^{n}u[nT] + 0.830(-0.1)^{n}u[nT]$