

# PS403 - Digital Signal processing

## IV. DSP - The Z-Transform

### Key Text:

Digital Signal Processing with Computer Applications (2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.)

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We will cover in this section

**How to compute the Z-Transform of a signal/ impulse response**

**Poles and zeros of the Z-Transform of a signal or LTI processor**

**Frequency analysis using the Z-Transform**

# The Z-Transform

**Definition:** 
$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x[n] Z^{-n}$$

## Origins:

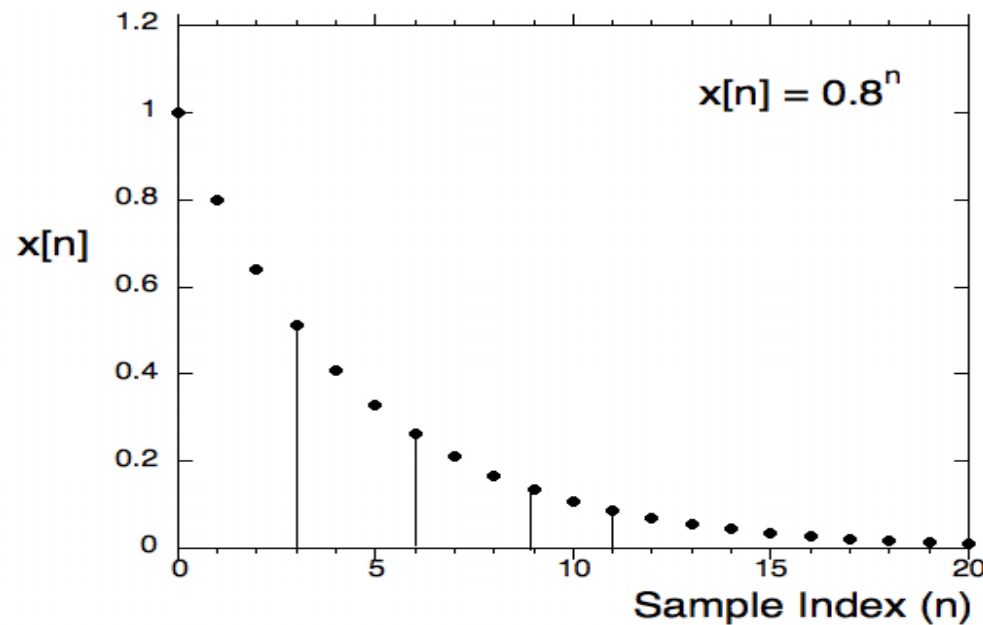
The Z-Transform is useful for looking at signals and systems in the **frequency domain**. It is not unlike the Laplace/Fourier Transforms except that it **has its origins in sampled data systems**, while Laplace/ Fourier Transforms apply to analog (continuous valued) signals and systems.

$X(Z)$  is **NOT** concerned with  $x[n]$  prior to  $n = 0$ ; **Unilateral**  $\sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty}$

$X(Z)$  is effectively a **power series in  $Z^{-1}$** , with **coefficients** given by the **values of  $x[n]$** .

# The Z-Transform

Example: Find the Z-T of  $x[n] = 0.8^0, 0.8^1, 0.8^2, 0.8^3, \dots$



$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= 1xZ^0 + 0.8xZ^{-1} + 0.64xZ^{-2} + 0.512xZ^{-3} + \dots \\ &= 1 + (0.8xZ^{-1})^1 + (0.8xZ^{-1})^2 + (0.8xZ^{-1})^3 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow X(Z) = \frac{1}{1 - 0.8Z^{-1}} = \frac{Z}{Z - 0.8}$$

## The Z-Transform

Example: Find the signal  $x[n]$  with Z-Transform:  $X(Z) = \frac{1}{Z + 1.2}$

$$X(Z) = \frac{1}{Z + 1.2} = \frac{Z^{-1}}{1 + 1.2Z^{-1}}$$

$$= Z^{-1}(1 + 1.2Z^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$= Z^{-1} \left[ 1 + (-1.2Z^{-1})^1 + (-1.2Z^{-1})^2 + (-1.2Z^{-1})^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$= 1Z^{-1} - 1.2Z^{-2} + 1.44Z^{-3} + \dots$$

Coeff of  
 $x[1]$

Coeff of  
 $x[2]$

Coeff of  
 $x[3]$

By inspection:

$$x[0] = 0$$

$$x[1] = 1$$

$$x[2] = -1.2$$

$$x[3] = 1.44$$

$$x[n] = (-1.2)^{n-1}$$

## The Z-Transform

1. Notice that although both signals theoretically contain an infinite number of sample values, their **Z-Ts are very compact**
2. One can think of the of Z as a time-shift operator  
**Multiplication** by Z  $\equiv$  **time advance** by one sampling interval  
**Division** by Z  $\equiv$  **time delay** by one sampling interval

**Example:** Time shifting a unit impulse

The Z-T of a unit impulse is given by:

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \delta[n] Z^{-n} = Z^{-n} \Big|_{n=0} = 1$$


## The Z-Transform

The Z-T of a unit impulse delayed by  $n_0$  sampling intervals is:

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \delta[n - n_0] Z^{-n} = Z^{-n} \Big|_{n=n_0} = Z^{-n_0}$$

Hence time shifting in Z-space becomes a simple operation - multiplication by  $Z^{-n_0}$  for time delay or  $Z^{+n_0}$  for time advance

As the Z-T & F-T are related, **the convolution theorem applies !**


$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x[n] Z^{-n}, \text{ let } Z = \exp(j\Omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow X(\Omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} x[n] \exp(-jn\Omega)$$

## The Z-Transform

If  $x[n]$  is an input signal and  $h[n]$  a processor response; we know that:

$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$$

and hence

$$Y(\Omega) = X(\Omega) \cdot H(\Omega)$$

and

$$Y(Z) = X(Z) \cdot H(Z)$$

Convolution Theorem applies to Z-Ts

# The Z-Transform

Convolution Theorem - *proof by example*

Direct convolution:  $y[n] = h[n] * x[n]$

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
x[n]	1	-2	3	-1	-1	0	0	0	0
h[n]	2	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
y[n]	2	-3	3	3	-6	0	1	0	0

Z-T Multiplication:  $Y(Z) = H(Z).X(Z)$

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x[n] Z^{-n} \quad X(Z) = 1 - 2Z^{-1} + 3Z^{-2} - Z^{-3} - Z^{-4} \dots$$

$$H(Z) = 2 + Z^{-1} - Z^{-2}$$

$$Y(Z) = H(Z).X(Z) = 2 - 3Z^{-1} + 3Z^{-2} + 3Z^{-3} - 6Z^{-4} + 0Z^{-5} + Z^{-6} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} y[n] Z^{-n}$$

By inspection:  $y[n] = 2, -3, 3, 3, -6, 0, 1, 0, 0, \dots$



## The Z-Transform

A processor has an impulse response in Z-space given by:

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

Find the (i) corresponding **difference equation** describing the action of the processor and (ii) its **impulse response**.

**(i) find  $y[n]$**

$$H(Z) = \frac{1}{Z(Z-1)(2Z-1)} = \frac{Y(Z)}{X(Z)}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(Z)[Z(Z-1)(2Z-1)] = X(Z)$$

$$2Z^3Y(Z) - 3Z^2Y(Z) + ZY(Z) = Y(Z)$$

## The Z-Transform

Since multiplication by Z is  $\equiv$  time advance by one sampling interval we can write:

$$2y[n+3] - 3y[n+2] + y[n+1] = x[n]$$

Since this is a simple recurrence formula we can let  $n \rightarrow n-3$  without any loss of generalisation

$$\Rightarrow 2y[n] - 3y[n-1] + y[n-2] = x[n-3]$$

or

$$y[n] = 1.5y[n-1] - 0.5y[n-2] + 0.5x[n-3]$$

Show that  $h[n] = 0, 0, 0, 0.5, 0.75, 0.875, \dots$

## The Z-Transform

We can now study more complex processors, e.g.,

$$H(Z) = \frac{Z^2(Z-1)(Z^2+1)}{(Z+0.8)(Z^2+1.38593Z+0.9604)(Z^2-1.64545Z+0.9025)} = \frac{Y(Z)}{X(Z)}$$

$$[Z^5 - Z^4 + Z^3 - Z^2].X(Z) = [Z^5 + 0.54048Z^4 - 0.62519Z^3 - 0.66354Z^2 + 0.60317Z + 0.69341].Y(Z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x[n+5] - x[n+4] + x[n+3] - x[n+2] = \\ y[n+5] + 0.54048y[n+4] - 0.62519y[n+3] - 0.66354y[n+2] \\ + 0.60317y[n+1] + 0.69341y[n] \end{aligned}$$

Since we can let  $n \rightarrow n-5$  without any loss of generalisation

$$\begin{aligned} y[n] = -0.54048y[n-1] + 0.62519y[n-2] + 0.66354y[n-3] - \\ 0.60317y[n-4] - 0.69341y[n-5] + x[n] - x[n-1] + x[n-2] - x[n-3] \end{aligned}$$

# The Z-Transform

Steady State Response of a Processor - Final Value Theorem

Step Response  $S[n]$  as 'n' gets very large !

$$\text{If } x[n] \xrightarrow{\text{Z-Transform}} X(Z) \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x[n] = \lim_{Z \rightarrow 1} \left( \frac{Z-1}{Z} \right) X(Z)$$

Note that the Z-T of a unit step  $u[n] = \frac{Z}{Z-1}$

Hence if  $u[n]$  is an input signal to a system with transfer function  $H(Z)$ , then the output signal is given by:

$$Y(Z) = \left( \frac{Z}{Z-1} \right) H(Z)$$

# The Z-Transform

## Final Value Theorem

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S[n] &= \lim_{Z \rightarrow 1} \left( \frac{Z-1}{Z} \right) Y(Z) \\ &= \lim_{Z \rightarrow 1} \left( \frac{Z-1}{Z} \right) \left( \frac{Z}{Z-1} \right) H(Z) = \lim_{Z \rightarrow 1} H(Z)\end{aligned}$$

Finally the Final Value Theorem States that:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S[n] = \lim_{Z \rightarrow 1} H(Z)$$

# The Z-Transform

## Final Value Theorem: Example

Consider  $y[n] = 0.8y[n-1] + x[n]$

Then  $h[n] = 0.8h[n-1] + \delta[n]$

and  $H(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z - 0.8}$

Ergo

$$\frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S[n]}{n \rightarrow \infty} = \frac{\lim_{Z \rightarrow 1} H(Z)}{Z \rightarrow 1} = \frac{1}{1 - 0.8} = 5$$

Look back at step response of this processor in section 3

# The Z-Transform

## Frequency Analysis using Z-Transforms

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} x[n] Z^{-n}$$

Substituting  $Z = \exp(j\Omega)$

$$\Rightarrow X(\Omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} x[n] \exp(-jn\Omega)$$

The Z-Transform is most useful not just for compact description of LTI processors with long/infinite impulse response but also for **inferring** their frequency response

# The Z-Transform

Poles and zeros of  $X(Z)$ :

$X(Z)$  is always a rational function, i.e., it can always be written as a ratio of two polynomials in  $Z$ .

Hence on can write:

$$X(Z) = \frac{N(Z)}{D(Z)} = K \cdot \frac{(Z - Z_1)(Z - Z_2)(Z - Z_3) \dots}{(Z - P_1)(Z - P_2)(Z - P_3) \dots}$$

Where  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots$  are the Zeros of  $X(Z)$   
and  $P_1, P_2, \dots$  are the Poles of  $X(Z)$

If  $x[n] \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow$  Poles & Zeros are either **real or** occur in **complex conjugate pairs**



# The Z-Transform

## Z-Plane and the Argand Diagram:

It is often useful to plot the poles and zeros of a Z-T on an Argand diagram. In fact, a trained eye will deduce the salient features of a processor response from the plot quite easily !

### Convention

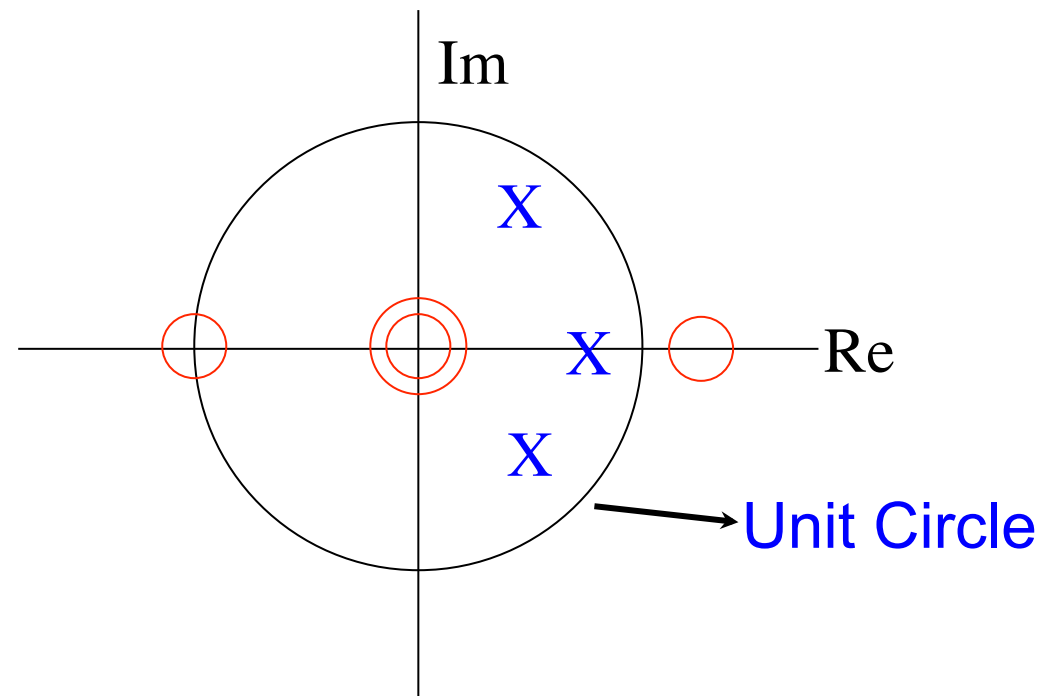
Zeros are plotted as ○ symbols  
Poles are plotted as X symbols

**Example:** Plot the poles and zeros of the following ZT:

$$X(Z) = \frac{Z^2(Z - 1.2)(Z + 1)}{(Z - 0.5 + j0.7)(Z - 0.5 - j0.7)(Z - 0.8)}$$

# The Z-Transform

Example: Poles and zeros



By inspection we have:

Zeros @  $Z = 0$  (2 of),  $Z = 1.2$  &  $Z = -1.0$  &

Poles @  $Z = 0.8$ ,  $Z = 0.5 - j0.7$  &  $Z = 0.5 + j0.7$

# The Z-Transform

Inferring LTI System **Stability** from Pole-Zero Plots

Consider a digital LTI processor with ZT:  $H(Z) = \frac{Y(Z)}{X(Z)}$

Clear that  $Y(Z)$  {and concomitantly the processor output  $y[n]$ } determines the location of all zeros of the ZT and that  $X(Z)$  and {hence  $x[n]$ } determines the locations of the poles.

$$\text{Say that } H(Z) = \frac{Y(Z)}{X(Z)} = \frac{1}{Z - \alpha}$$

System has no zeros and one pole at  $Z = \alpha$

$$\begin{aligned} ZY(Z) - \alpha Y(Z) &= X(Z) \\ \Rightarrow y[n+1] - \alpha y[n] &= x[n] \\ \Rightarrow y[n] &= \alpha y[n-1] + x[n-1] \end{aligned}$$

**Find  $h[n]$  !**

## The Z-Transform

$$H(Z) = \frac{Y(Z)}{X(Z)} = \frac{1}{Z - \alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow h[n] = \alpha h[n-1] + \delta[n-1]$$

$$\Rightarrow h[n] = 0, 1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, \alpha^4, \dots$$

Hence, if  $\alpha < 1$ ,  $h[n]$  may be infinite but at least it is bounded which implies  $H(Z)$  describes a **stable system**.

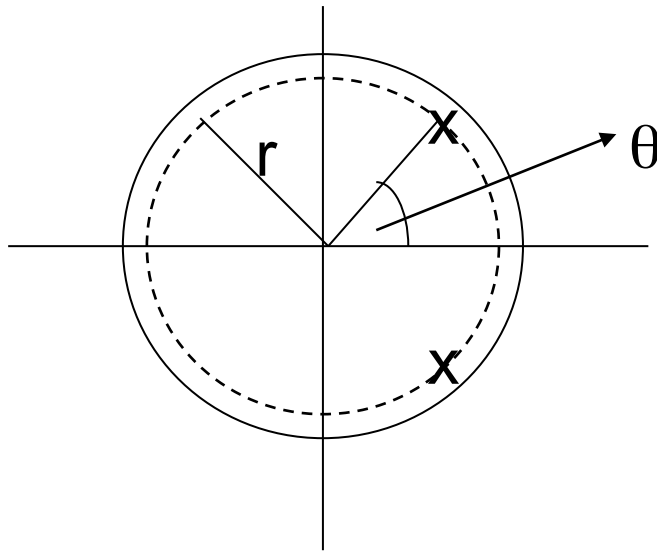
If  $\alpha > 1$ ,  $h[n]$  grows without limit,  $\Rightarrow H(Z) =$  **unstable system**.

**Conclusion: A system is stable only if the poles (i.e., all poles) lie within the unit circle !**

*Clearly the same is true of signals: one or more poles outside the unit circle  $\Rightarrow$  unbounded signal*

# The Z-Transform

## Pole locations in Polar Coordinates



Two poles lying on a circle of radius 'r' making an angle  $\theta$  w.r.t the Re(al) axis  $\Rightarrow$  So pole locations are  $r \cdot [\exp(j\theta)]$  and  $r \cdot [\exp(-j\theta)]$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } H(Z) &= \frac{Y(Z)}{X(Z)} = \frac{1}{[Z - r \cdot \exp(j\theta)][Z - r \cdot \exp(-j\theta)]} \\ &= \frac{1}{(Z^2 - 2rZ \cos\theta + r^2)} \end{aligned}$$

# The Z-Transform

## Pole locations in Polar Coordinates

$$\Rightarrow Y(Z) \cdot (Z^2 - 2rZ\cos\theta + r^2) = X(Z)$$

$$\Rightarrow y[n] = 2r\cos\theta y[n-1] - r^2 y[n-2] + x[n-2]$$

For a bounded (finite) output,  $r < 1 \Rightarrow$  system is stable

**Example Application** - See figure 4.2 and equation 4.14

$$H(Z) = \frac{Z^2(Z-1)(Z^2+1)}{(Z+0.8)(Z^2+1.38593Z+0.9604)(Z^2-1.64545Z+0.9025)}$$

Two Re Zeros @  $Z=0$

One Re Zero @  $Z=1$

Two Im Zeros @  $Z=\pm j$

One Re Pole @  $Z=-0.8$

# The Z-Transform

## Pole locations in Polar Coordinates

Now compare;

$$\frac{1}{(Z^2 - 2rZ\cos\theta + r^2)} \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{1}{(Z^2 + 1.38593Z + 0.9604)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 &= 0.9604 \text{ and } 2r\cos\theta = -1.38593 \\ \Rightarrow \quad r &= 0.98 \text{ and } \theta = 45^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{(Z^2 - 1.64545Z + 0.9025)} \quad \text{yields } r = 0.95 \text{ and } \theta = 150^\circ$$

Hence the system is stable because **ALL  $r < 1$  !**

## The Z-Transform

Note:

(a) Comments on system stability apply only to poles and there is no dependence on zeros of the transform

(b) Zeros at the origin of the Z-plane produce only a time advance or delay but they have no other effect

Consider again: 
$$H(Z) = \frac{1}{(Z^2 - 2rZ\cos\theta + r^2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow y[n] = 2r\cos\theta y[n-1] - r^2 y[n-2] + x[n-2]$$

So that  $y[0] = 0$  and  $y[1] = 0$

We can force  $y[n]$  to start @  $n=0$  by using (b) above !



## The Z-Transform

Simply apply the time advance operator 'Z' twice:

$$H'(Z) = Z^2.H(Z)$$

$$\Rightarrow H'(Z) = \frac{Y(Z)}{X(Z)} = \frac{Z^2}{(Z^2 - 2rZ\cos\theta + r^2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (Z^2 - 2rZ\cos\theta + r^2)Y(Z) = Z^2 X(Z)$$

$$\Rightarrow y[n] = 2r\cos\theta y[n-1] - r^2 y[n-2] + x[n]$$

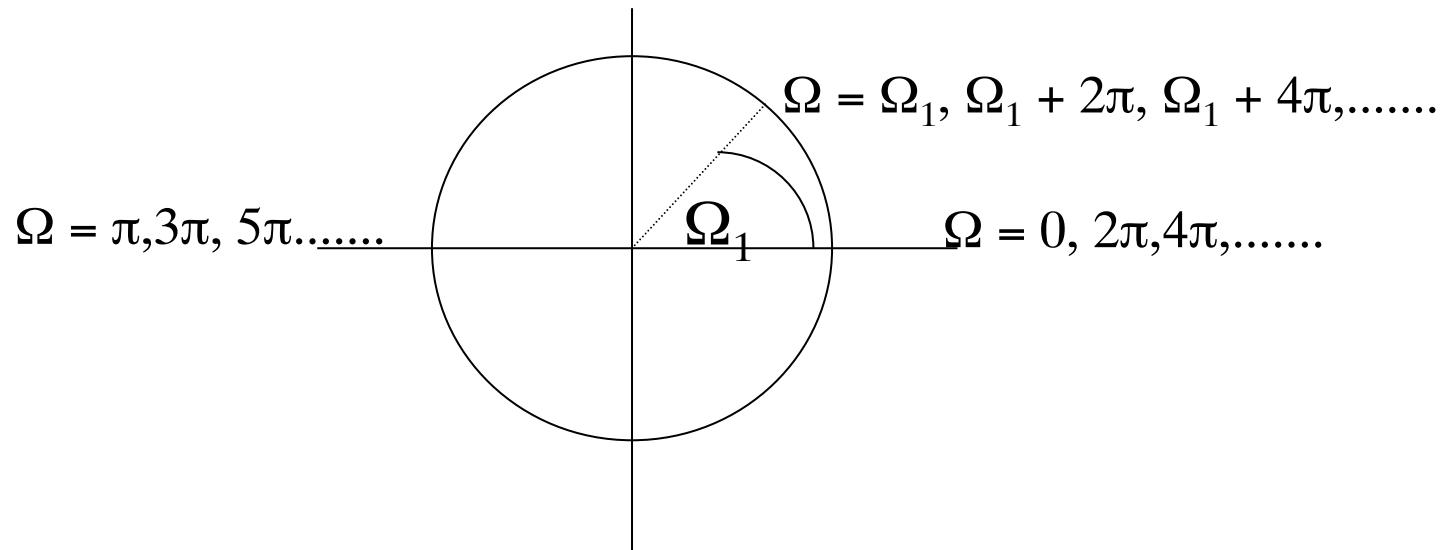
# The Z-Transform

## The Fourier Transform in the Z-Plane: Geometrical Methods

Setting  $Z = \exp(-j\Omega)$  we transform the Z-T into the the F-T

Where are the values of  $Z = \exp(j\Omega)$  in the Z plane ?

Magnitude  $r = 1$ ; they lie on the unit circle



## The Z-Transform

$\Omega_1 = 0$  corresponds to the point  $Z = (1, j0)$   
on the Argand Plane.

As  $\Omega$  increases, one moves anticlockwise  
around the unit circle;

@  $\Omega = \pi$ ,  $Z = (-1, j0)$

We know from Fourier Analysis that the FT repeats with a period of  $2\pi$ . The Z-Transform (Z-plane) representation shows this automatically as any one point on the unit circle  $(1, \Omega)$  can represent all frequencies  $\Omega + 2n\pi$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$

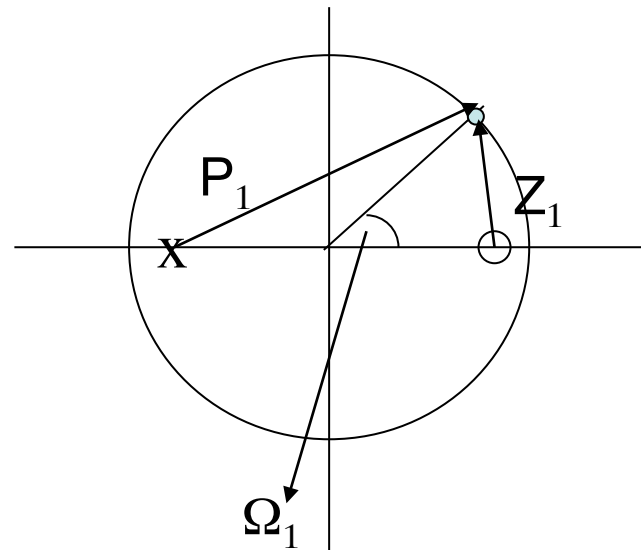
## The Z-Transform

Consider the following LTI Processor with Z-Transform;

$$H(Z) = \frac{Z - 0.8}{Z + 0.8}$$

Setting  $Z = \exp(j\Omega)$

$$\Rightarrow H(\Omega) = \frac{\exp(j\Omega) - 0.8}{\exp(j\Omega) + 0.8}$$



# The Z-Transform

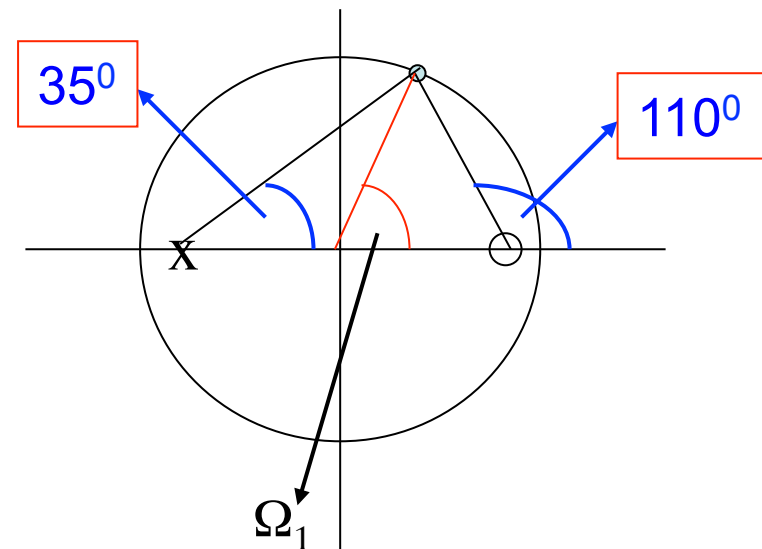
The numerator of  $H(Z)$  is determined by the magnitude (length) of the Zero Vector  $|Z_1|$  and the denominator by the pole length  $|P_1|$ .

So the **magnitude/gain** of the frequency transfer function @  $\Omega = \Omega_1$

$$|H(\Omega)|_{\Omega_1} \propto \frac{|Z_1|}{|P_1|}$$

The **phase** shift or phase transfer function @  $\Omega = \Omega_1$

$$|\Phi_H(\Omega)|_{\Omega_1} = 110^\circ - 35^\circ = 75^\circ$$



## The Z-Transform

By simple extension of this graphical method **one can map the frequency transfer function** of a simple processor

$\Omega$	$Z_1$	$P_1$	$ H(\Omega) $
<b>0</b>	0.2	1.8	0.11
$\pi/2$	1.28	1.28	1.00
$\pi$	1.8	0.2	9.00
<b>2 <math>\pi</math></b>	0.2	1.8	0.11

From **figure 4.6** one can see that as one travels around the unit circle (increasing frequency  $\Omega$ ), the gain  $|H(\Omega)|$  goes through a maximum when  $Z = \exp(j\Omega)$  passes near a pole, here e.g., @  $\Omega = \pi$ .

## The Z-Transform

More complex processor- consider again:

$$H(Z) = \frac{Z^2(Z-1)(Z^2+1)}{(Z+0.8)(Z^2+1.38593Z+0.9604)(Z^2-1.64545Z+0.9025)}$$

**Zeros @**  $Z=0$  (2nd order),  $Z=1$  and  $Z=\pm j$

**Poles @**  $Z=-0.8$  {Real,  $\Omega = 180^\circ (\pi)$ }, a pole pair close to the unit circle @  $\Omega = \pm 45^\circ (\pi/4)$  and a second pole pair at  $\Omega = \pm 150^\circ (5\pi/6)$  and also close to the unit circle.

**Zeros:** Expect 'true nulls' in the frequency response at  $\Omega$  values specifying their location, here 0 and  $\pi$

**Poles:** Expect peaks in the frequency response (gain) at  $\Omega$  values specifying their location, here  $\pi/4$ ,  $5\pi/6$  and  $\pi$

## The Z-Transform

We can break more complex systems with many zeros and poles into simpler systems as follows:

$$|H(\Omega)| = K \cdot \frac{|Z_1(\Omega)| |Z_2(\Omega)| |Z_3(\Omega)| \dots}{|P_1(\Omega)| |P_2(\Omega)| |P_3(\Omega)| \dots}$$

where K is a constant

$$\Phi_H(\Omega) = [\Phi_{Z_1}(\Omega) + \Phi_{Z_2}(\Omega) + \Phi_{Z_3}(\Omega) \dots] - [\Phi_{P_1}(\Omega) + \Phi_{P_2}(\Omega) + \Phi_{P_3}(\Omega) \dots]$$

$\Phi_{Z_n}(\Omega)$  - Phase vector of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  zero of H(Z)

$\Phi_{P_n}(\Omega)$  - Phase vector of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  pole of H(Z)



# The Z-Transform

## 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> order LTI Processors

$$\text{Any LTI processor } H(Z) = K \cdot \frac{(Z - Z_1)(Z - Z_2)(Z - Z_3) \dots}{(Z - P_1)(Z - P_2)(Z - P_3) \dots}$$

may be represented by cascading a series of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> order LTI processor transfer functions

$$\text{1<sup>st</sup> order} \quad H_1(Z) = \frac{(Z - Z_1)}{(Z - P_1)} \quad Z_1 \text{ and } P_1 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{2<sup>nd</sup> order} \quad H_2(Z) = \frac{(Z - Z_2)(Z - Z_3)}{(Z - P_2)(Z - P_3)}$$

$Z_2, Z_3, P_2, P_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  or occur as complex conjugate pairs

# The Z-Transform

## 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> order LTI Processors - Frequency Selectivity

**Poles** placed at well defined  $\Omega$  values (frequencies) and located near the unit circle will produce **sharp peaks** in the frequency response of a processor. **An equal number of zeros placed at the Z-plane origin ensures that  $h[n]$  starts @  $n=0$**

We write that a real pole for a 1<sup>st</sup> order processor is located at  $Z = \alpha$

The complex conjugate pole pair for a 2<sup>nd</sup> order processor are located at  $Z = r \cdot \exp(j\theta)$  and  $Z = r \cdot \exp(-j\theta)$

## The Z-Transform

Hence one can write:

$$H_1(Z) = \frac{Z}{(Z - \alpha)}$$

$$H_2(Z) = \frac{Z^2}{\{Z - r.\exp(j\theta)\}\{Z - r.\exp(-j\theta)\}}$$

$$H(Z) = \frac{Z^2}{(Z^2 - 2rZ\cos\theta + r^2)}$$

# The Z-Transform

1<sup>st</sup> order      Already looked at these in detail: (see Fig 4.9)

$0 < \alpha < 1 \Rightarrow$  Low pass filter

$-1 < \alpha < 0 \Rightarrow$  High pass filter

$$H_1(Z) = \frac{Z}{(Z - \alpha)} \quad , \quad Z \rightarrow \exp(j\Omega) \Rightarrow H_1(\Omega) = H_1(Z) \Big|_{Z=\exp(j\Omega)} = \frac{\exp(j\Omega)}{\exp(j\Omega) - \alpha}$$

$|H_1(\Omega)|$  has a **maximum** value (or gain) @  $\Omega = 0$

$$G_{\max} = \left| \frac{\exp(j0)}{\exp(j0) - \alpha} \right| = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha}$$

$|H_1(\Omega)|$  has a **minimum** value (or gain) @  $\Omega = \pi$

$$G_{\min} = \left| \frac{\exp(j\pi)}{\exp(j\pi) - \alpha} \right| = \frac{1}{1 + \alpha}$$

# The Z-Transform

## 1<sup>st</sup> order cont'd

So the closer  $\alpha$  is to 1 (i.e., the closer the pole is to the unit circle), the larger the maximum gain ( $G_{\max}$ ), the smaller the minimum gain ( $G_{\min}$ ) and so the narrower the bandwidth of the filter.

**In summary**, as one moves the pole of a 1st order filter closer to the unit circle:

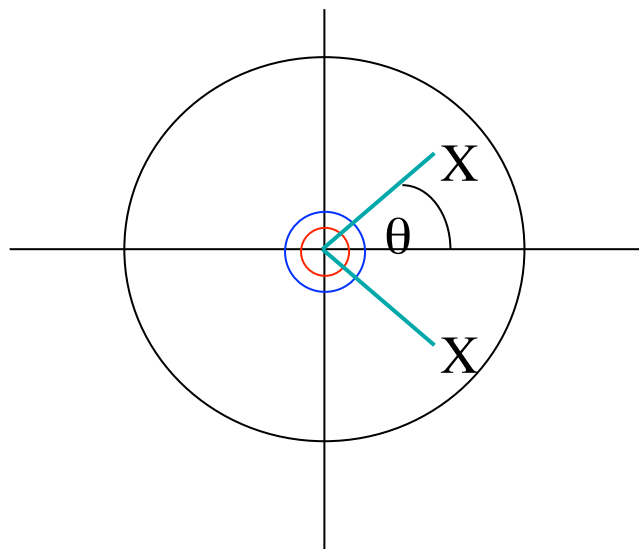
- (i) The peak gain increases
- (ii) The bandwidth decreases
- (iii) The impulse response ( $1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, \alpha^4, \dots$ ) slows

**(ii) and (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  Narrow the bandwidth and slow the processor**

# The Z-Transform

## 2<sup>nd</sup> order filters

$$H_2(Z) = \frac{Z^2}{(Z^2 - 2rZ\cos\theta + r^2)}$$



The processor has complex conjugate pole pairs  
@  $Z=r.\exp(j\theta)$  and a 2nd order zero at the origin ( $Z=0$ )

$\theta$  determines the centre frequency of the processor /signal  
and 'r' determines the 'selectivity' or bandwidth

## The Z-Transform

2<sup>nd</sup> order filters

$$H_2(Z) = \frac{Y(Z)}{X(Z)} = \frac{1}{(1 - 2r\cos\theta Z^{-1} + r^2 Z^{-2})}$$

$$\Rightarrow y[n] = 2r\cos\theta y[n-1] - r^2 y[n-2] + x[n]$$

Letting  $Z = \exp(j\Omega) \Rightarrow$

$$H_2(\Omega) = \frac{1}{(1 - 2r\cos\theta \exp(-j\Omega) + r^2 \exp(-j2\Omega))}$$

Hence:

$$|H_2(\Omega)| = \frac{1}{\left[ (1 - 2r\cos\theta \cos\Omega + r^2 \cos 2\Omega)^2 + (2r\cos\theta \sin\Omega - r^2 \sin 2\Omega)^2 \right]^{1/2}}$$

## The Z-Transform

Maximum gain occurs at the centre frequency,  $\Omega = \theta$ .

$$|H_2(\theta)| = G_{\max} = \frac{1}{\left[ \left(1 - 2r\cos^2\theta + r^2\cos 2\theta\right)^2 + \left(2r\cos\theta\sin\theta - r^2\sin 2\theta\right)^2 \right]^{1/2}}$$

$$\text{Let } A = \left(1 - 2r\cos^2\theta + r^2\cos 2\theta\right)$$

$$\text{Let } B = \left(2r\cos\theta\sin\theta - r^2\sin 2\theta\right) \Rightarrow G_{\max} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$$

Program 11 used to study the effect of  $r$ ,  $\theta$  for 2<sup>nd</sup> O systems using the expressions above - very powerful - write your own

See Figure 4.11 for typical results



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## Figure 4.11 examples

- (a) Cascaded 1st order **LPFs**:  $r = 0.9$ , max gain @  $\Omega = \theta = 0^\circ$  (dc) !
- (b) **BPF** centred @  $\Omega = \theta = 25^\circ$  ( $\sim 15$  Samp/cyc.),  $r = 0.99$  (**narrow passband**)
- (c) **BPF** with **wide bandpass** ( $r = 0.8$ ) centred @  $\Omega = \theta = 110^\circ$  ( $\sim 3$  Samp/cyc.)
- (d) Cascaded 1st order **HPFs**:  $r = 0.9$ , max gain @  $\Omega = \theta = 180^\circ$  (2 Samp/cyc.)

**Note:** When the pole 'r' value is close to '1', you should also expect rapid variations in the phase transfer function  $\Phi_H(\Omega)$  as  $\Omega$  sweeps through the design frequency ' $\theta$ ' !

**Reminder:** In sampled data systems we specify 'frequency' in samples/cycles or equivalently 'radians' or 'degrees' !

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## Effect of initial conditions on the Z - Transform

Useful in two cases:

- (a) The system may not have settled following the application of a prior input
- (b) The input signal was applied prior to  $n = 0$  and it is required to assess its subsequent effects on the output

Consider the following:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{If:} & x[n] & \rightarrow X(Z) \\ \text{Then:} & x[n - n_0] & \rightarrow X(Z).Z^{-n_0} \end{array}$$

We can in fact write:  $x[n - n_0].u[n - n_0] \rightarrow X(Z).Z^{-n}$

Multiplication by  $u[n - n_0]$  ensures that  $x[n]$  is zero for  $n < n_0$

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Suppose that we define  $x_1[n]$  as a signal identical to  $x[n]$  but not necessarily starting @  $n = 0$

$$\text{i.e., } x_1[n] \rightarrow x[n - 1]$$

$$\text{Then: } X_1(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} x[n - 1] \cdot Z^{-n} = x[-1] + \sum_{n=1}^{n=\infty} x[n - 1] \cdot Z^{-n}$$

$$\text{But: } \sum_{n=1}^{n=\infty} x[n - 1] Z^{-n} = Z^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^{n=\infty} x[n - 1] Z^{-(n-1)}$$

$$\text{And also: } Z^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^{n=\infty} x[n - 1] Z^{-(n-1)} = Z^{-1} \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} x[n] Z^{-(n)}$$

$$\text{So } X_1(Z) = x[-1] + Z^{-1} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} x[n] Z^{-n} \right\} = x[-1] + Z^{-1} X(Z)$$

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Similarly it can be shown that:

$$\text{If: } x_2[n] = x[n - 2]$$

$$\text{Then: } X_2(Z) = x[-2] + x[-1]Z^{-1} + Z^{-2}X(Z)$$

**Example** - Consider:  $y[n] = \alpha.y[n - 1] + x[n]$

We can rewrite as:  $y[n] - \alpha.y[n - 1] = x[n]$

$$\text{Taking ZTs: } Y(Z) - \alpha\{y[-1] + Z^{-1}Y(Z)\} = X(Z)$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(Z)\{1 - \alpha.Z^{-1}\} = X(Z) + \alpha.y[-1]$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(Z) = \frac{X(Z) + \alpha.y[-1]}{(1 - \alpha.Z^{-1})}$$

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Case in point:

$$y[-1] = -\frac{1}{\alpha} \quad \Bigg| \quad x[n] = \delta[n] \quad \Bigg| \Rightarrow X(Z) = 1$$

We have that:

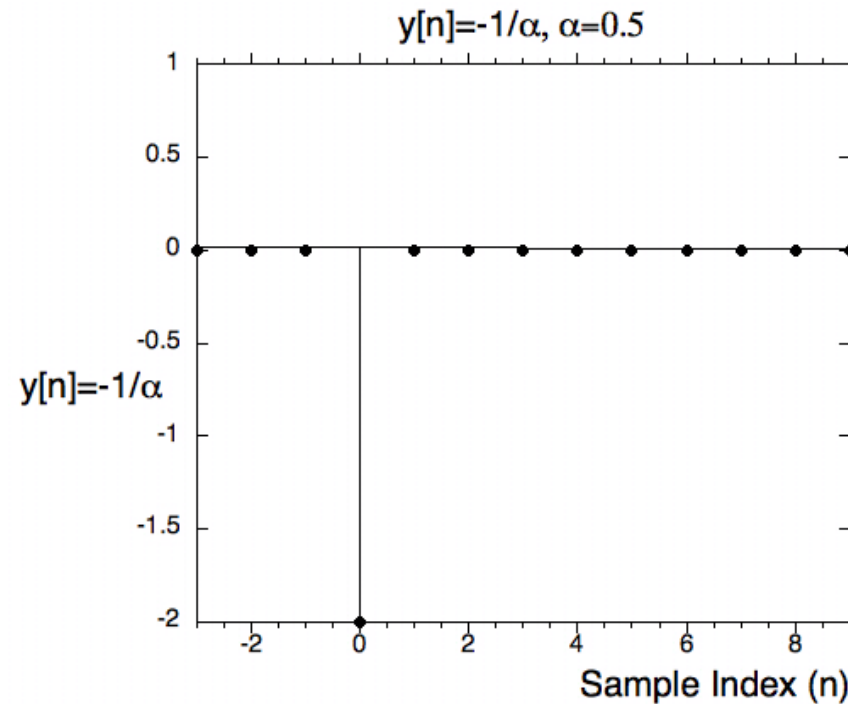
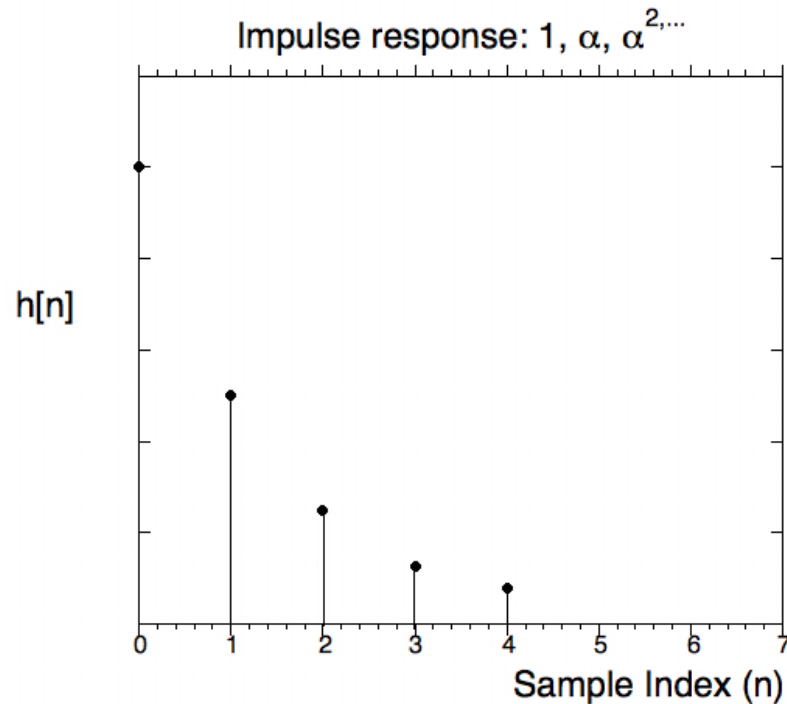
$$\Rightarrow Y(Z) = \frac{X(Z) + \alpha \cdot y[-1]}{(1 - \alpha Z^{-1})}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(Z) = \frac{X(Z) + \alpha \left( -\frac{1}{\alpha} \right)}{(1 - \alpha Z^{-1})} = 0$$

i.e.,  $y[n] = 0$  for all  $n > 0$  !!

What has happened to the signal ? - we had a system with impulse response  $h[n] = 1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, \alpha^4, \dots$

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So simply having an initial (prior) condition like  $y[n] = -1/\alpha$ , the impulse response can be set to zero ! The initial (prior) state of the system exactly cancels the impulse response so that the filter output power becomes identically zero !!

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So importantly,  $h[n]$  is the impulse response of a processor **only** if all initial conditions are zero !

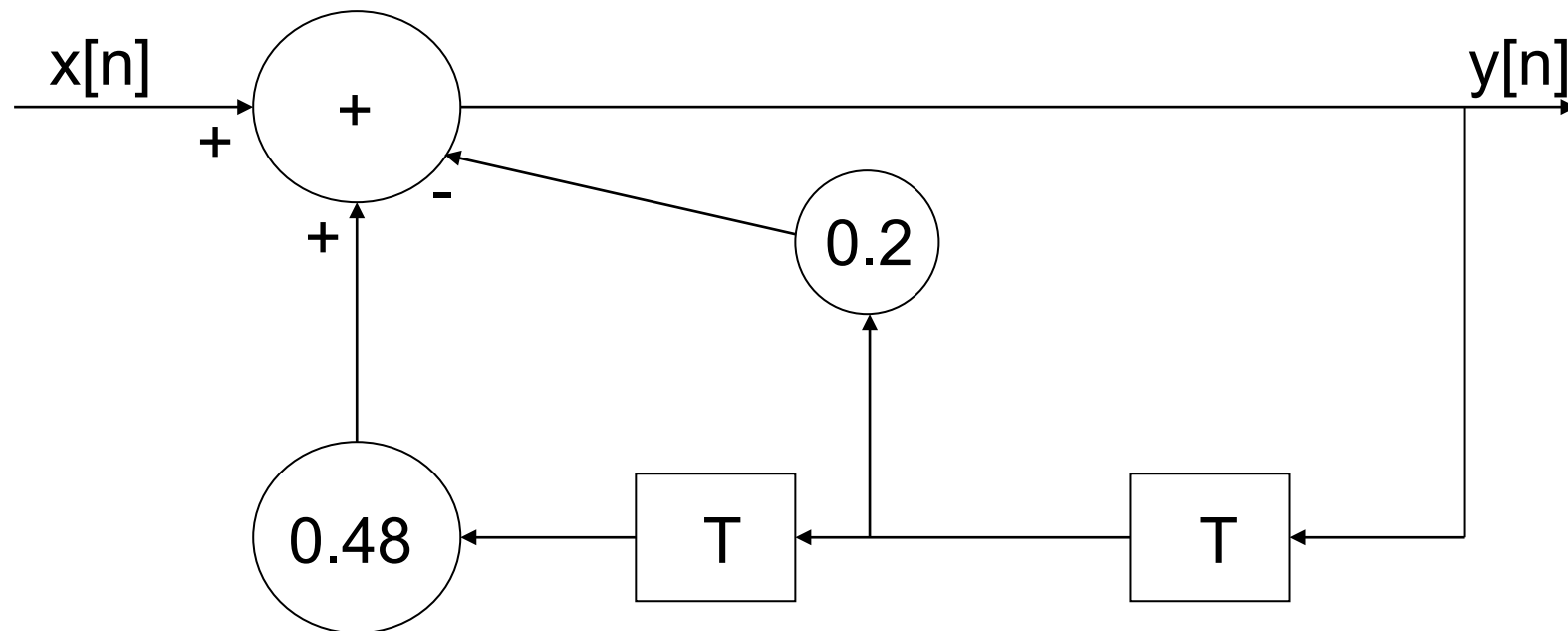
i.e.,  $H(Z) = Y(Z)/X(Z)$  **ONLY** under zero initial conditions

Problem (for you):

Using  $y[n] - \alpha \cdot y[n-1] = x[n]$  compute  $h[n]$  for  $x[n] = \delta[n]$  and  $y[-1] = 1/\alpha$

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## Example



From the above block diagram we have that:  
$$y[n] = -0.2y[n-1] + 0.48y[n-2] + x[n]$$



## The Z-Transform

Find  $y[n]$  when  $x[n] = \delta[n]$  for

(i) Zero initial conditions

(ii)  $y[-1] = -1.25$  and  $y[-2] = -0.52083$

Taking ZTs of both sides we get for non-zero initial conditions:

$$Y(Z) = \frac{X(Z) - 0.2y[-1] + 0.48y[-2] + 0.48y[-1]Z^{-1}}{1 + 0.2Z^{-1} - 0.48Z^{-2}}$$

Case (i): Zero initial conditions

$x[n] = \delta[n], \Rightarrow X(Z) = 1$  and  $y[n] = h[n] = 0$ , for all  $y[n]$  ( $n < 0$ ).

$$\Rightarrow Y(Z) = \frac{1}{(1 + 0.2Z^{-1} - 0.48Z^{-2})} = \frac{Z^2}{(Z^2 + 0.2Z - 0.48)}$$

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$$\Rightarrow Y(Z) = \frac{Z^2}{(Z + 0.8)(Z - 0.6)} = \frac{AZ}{(Z + 0.8)} + \frac{BZ}{(Z - 0.6)}$$

Multiply both sides by  $(Z + 0.8)(Z - 0.6)$ . Values of A & B must be true for all Z. Try poles of  $Y(Z)$ , i.e.,  $Z = -0.8$  &  $0.6$ .

$$\Rightarrow Z^2 = AZ(Z - 0.6) + BZ(Z + 0.8)$$

$$Z = 0.6, \quad \Rightarrow B(0.6)(1.4) = 0.36, \quad \Rightarrow B = 0.4286$$

$$Z = -0.8, \quad \Rightarrow A(-0.8)(-1.4) = 0.48, \quad \Rightarrow A = 0.5714$$

$$\text{Hence } \Rightarrow Y(Z) = \frac{0.5714.Z}{(Z + 0.8)} + \frac{0.4286Z}{(Z - 0.6)}$$

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Using table 4.1 on Inverse Z-Transforms we have that:

$$\frac{Z}{Z - a} \rightarrow a^n . u[n]$$

$$\Rightarrow y[n] = 0.5714.(-0.8)^n u[n] + 0.4286.(0.6)^n u[n]$$

See figure 4.13(b)

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(ii) Non-zero initial conditions:  $y[-1] = -1.25$  &  $y[-2] = -0.52083$

$$Y(Z) = \frac{X(Z) - 0.2y[-1] + 0.48y[-2] + 0.48y[-1]Z^{-1}}{1 + 0.2Z^{-1} - 0.48Z^{-2}}$$

$$Y(Z) = \frac{X(Z) - 0.2[-1.25] + 0.48[-0.52083] + 0.48[-1.25]Z^{-1}}{(1 + 0.8Z^{-1})(1 - 0.6Z^{-1})}$$

$$Y(Z) = \frac{X(Z) + 0.25 - 0.25 - 0.6Z^{-1}}{(1 + 0.8Z^{-1})(1 - 0.6Z^{-1})}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(Z) = \frac{1}{(1 + 0.8Z^{-1})} = \frac{Z}{Z + 0.8}$$

$$\Rightarrow y[n] = (-0.8)^n u[n]$$

See figure 4.13(c)