

PROPERTIES OF THE ROC FOR THE z-TRANSFORM



PROPERTY 1: The ROC will either be of the form $0 \leq r_R < |z|$, or $|z| < r_L \leq \infty$, or, in general the annulus, i.e., $0 \leq r_R < |z| < r_L \leq \infty$.

PROPERTY 2: The Fourier transform of $x[n]$ converges absolutely if and only if the ROC of the z -transform of $x[n]$ includes the unit circle.

PROPERTY 3: The ROC cannot contain any poles.

PROPERTY 4: If $x[n]$ is a *finite-duration sequence*, i.e., a sequence that is zero except in a finite interval $-\infty < N_1 \leq n \leq N_2 < \infty$, then the ROC is the entire z -plane, except possibly $z = 0$ or $z = \infty$.

PROPERTY 5: If $x[n]$ is a *right-sided sequence*, i.e., a sequence that is zero for $n < N_1 < \infty$, the ROC extends outward from the *outermost* (i.e., largest magnitude) finite pole in $X(z)$ to (and possibly including) $z = \infty$.

PROPERTY 6: If $x[n]$ is a *left-sided sequence*, i.e., a sequence that is zero for $n > N_2 > -\infty$, the ROC extends inward from the *innermost* (smallest magnitude) nonzero pole in $X(z)$ to (and possibly including) $z = 0$.

PROPERTY 7: A *two-sided sequence* is an infinite-duration sequence that is neither right sided nor left sided. If $x[n]$ is a two-sided sequence, the ROC will consist of a ring in the z -plane, bounded on the interior and exterior by a pole and, consistent with Property 3, not containing any poles.

PROPERTY 8: The ROC must be a connected region.





Q 3.1

1. Determine the z -transform, including the ROC, for each of the following sequences:

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

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

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

(d) $\delta[n]$

(e) $\delta[n - 1]$

(f) $\delta[n + 1]$

(g) $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n (u[n] - u[n - 10]).$



Q 3.2



2. Determine the z -transform of the sequence

$$x[n] = \begin{cases} n, & 0 \leq n \leq N - 1, \\ N, & N \leq n. \end{cases}$$





Q 3.3

3. Determine the z -transform of each of the following sequences. Include with your answer the ROC in the z -plane and a sketch of the pole-zero plot. Express all sums in closed form; α can be complex.

(a) $x_a[n] = \alpha^{|n|}$, $0 < |\alpha| < 1$.

(b) $x_b[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq N - 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

(c) $x_c[n] = \begin{cases} n + 1, & 0 \leq n \leq N - 1, \\ 2N - 1 - n, & N \leq n \leq 2(N - 1), \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Hint: Note that $x_b[n]$ is a rectangular sequence and $x_c[n]$ is a triangular sequence. First, express $x_c[n]$ in terms of $x_b[n]$.





Q 3.4

4. Consider the z -transform $X(z)$ whose pole-zero plot is as shown in Figure P4.
- (a) Determine the ROC of $X(z)$ if it is known that the Fourier transform exists. For this case, determine whether the corresponding sequence $x[n]$ is right sided, left sided, or two sided.
 - (b) How many possible two-sided sequences have the pole-zero plot shown in Figure P4?
 - (c) Is it possible for the pole-zero plot in Figure P4 to be associated with a sequence that is both stable and causal? If so, give the appropriate ROC.

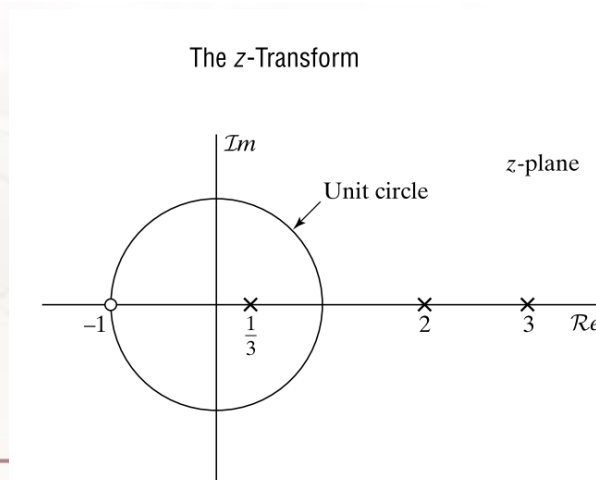


Figure P4



Q 3.7

7. The input to a causal LTI system is

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

The z -transform of the output of this system is

$$Y(z) = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)(1 + z^{-1})}.$$

- (a) Determine $H(z)$, the z -transform of the system impulse response. Be sure to specify the ROC.
- (b) What is the ROC for $Y(z)$?
- (c) Determine $y[n]$.



Q 3.11

11. Following are four z -transforms. Determine which ones *could* be the z -transform of a *causal* sequence. Do not evaluate the inverse transform. You should be able to give the answer by inspection. Clearly state your reasons in each case.

(a)
$$\frac{(1 - z^{-1})^2}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)}$$

(b)
$$\frac{(z - 1)^2}{\left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

(c)
$$\frac{\left(z - \frac{1}{4}\right)^5}{\left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right)^6}$$

(d)
$$\frac{\left(z - \frac{1}{4}\right)^6}{\left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right)^5}$$





Q 3.12

12. Sketch the pole-zero plot for each of the following z -transforms and shade the ROC:

(a) $X_1(z) = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}{1 + 2z^{-1}}$, ROC: $|z| < 2$

(b) $X_2(z) = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1}\right)}$, $x_2[n]$ causal

(c) $X_3(z) = \frac{1 + z^{-1} - 2z^{-2}}{1 - \frac{13}{6}z^{-1} + z^{-2}}$, $x_3[n]$ absolutely summable.



Q 3.17



17. Consider an LTI system with input $x[n]$ and output $y[n]$ that satisfies the difference equation

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

Determine all possible values for the system's impulse response $h[n]$ at $n = 0$.





Q 3.21

21. A causal LTI system has the following system function:

$$H(z) = \frac{4 + 0.25z^{-1} - 0.5z^{-2}}{(1 - 0.25z^{-1})(1 + 0.5z^{-1})}$$

- (a) What is the ROC for $H(z)$?
- (b) Determine if the system is stable or not.
- (c) Determine the difference equation that is satisfied by the input $x[n]$ and the output $y[n]$.
- (d) Use a partial fraction expansion to determine the impulse response $h[n]$.
- (e) Find $Y(z)$, the z -transform of the output, when the input is $x[n] = u[-n - 1]$. Be sure to specify the ROC for $Y(z)$.
- (f) Find the output sequence $y[n]$ when the input is $x[n] = u[-n - 1]$.



Q 3.33

33. Determine the inverse z -transform of each of the following. You should find the z -transform properties in Section 4 helpful.

(a) $X(z) = \frac{3z^{-3}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}\right)^2}, \quad x[n] \text{ left sided}$

(b) $X(z) = \sin(z), \quad \text{ROC includes } |z| = 1$

(c) $X(z) = \frac{z^7 - 2}{1 - z^{-7}}, \quad |z| > 1$





Q 3.8

8. The system function of a causal LTI system is

$$H(z) = \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + \frac{3}{4}z^{-1}}.$$

The input to this system is

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

- (a) Find the impulse response of the system, $h[n]$.
- (b) Find the output $y[n]$.
- (c) Is the system stable? That is, is $h[n]$ absolutely summable?

