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# DSP & Digital Filters

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- **18 lectures:** feel free to ask questions
- **Textbooks:**
  - (a) Mitra “Digital Signal Processing” ISBN:0071289461 £41 covers most of the course except for some of the multirate stuff
  - (b) Harris “Multirate Signal Processing” ISBN:0137009054 £49 covers multirate material in more detail but less rigour than

## Mitra

- Lecture slides available via Blackboard or on my website:  
<http://www.ee.ic.ac.uk/hp/staff/dmb/courses/dspdf/dspdf.htm>
  - quite dense - ensure you understand each line
  - email me if you don't understand or don't agree with anything
- **Prerequisites:** 3rd year DSP - attend lectures if dubious
- Exam + Formula Sheet (past exam papers + solutions on website)
- **Problems:** Mitra textbook contains many problems at the end of each chapter and also MATLAB exercises

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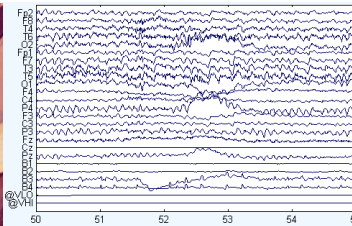
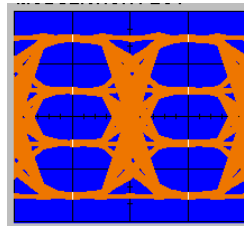
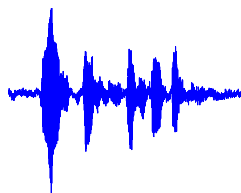
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#### Summary

- A signal is a numerical quantity that is a function of one or more independent variables such as time or position.
- Real-world signals are analog and vary continuously and take continuous values.
- Digital signals are sampled at discrete times and are quantized to a finite number of discrete values
- We will mostly consider one-dimensional real-valued signals with regular sample instants; except in a few places, we will ignore the quantization.
  - Extension to multiple dimensions and complex-valued signals is straightforward in many cases.

Examples:



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- Aims to “improve” a signal in some way or extract some information from it
- Examples:
  - Modulation/demodulation
  - Coding and decoding
  - Interference rejection and noise suppression
  - Signal detection, feature extraction
- We are concerned with linear, time-invariant processing

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## Main topics:

- Introduction/Revision
- Transforms
- Discrete Time Systems
- Filter Design
  - FIR Filter Design
  - IIR Filter Design
- Multirate systems
  - Multirate Fundamentals
  - Multirate Filters
  - Subband processing

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We denote the  $n^{\text{th}}$  sample of a signal as  $x[n]$  where  $-\infty < n < +\infty$  and the entire sequence as  $\{x[n]\}$  although we will often omit the braces.

## Special sequences:

- **Unit step:**  $u[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & n \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- **Unit impulse:**  $\delta[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- **Condition:**  $\delta_{\text{condition}}[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{condition is true} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$  (e.g.  $u[n] = \delta_{n \geq 0}$ )
- **Right-sided:**  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n < N_{\min}$
- **Left-sided:**  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n > N_{\max}$
- **Finite length:**  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n \notin [N_{\min}, N_{\max}]$
- **Causal:**  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n < 0$ , **Anticausal:**  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n > 0$
- **Finite Energy:**  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x[n]|^2 < \infty$  (e.g.  $x[n] = n^{-1}u[n-1]$ )
- **Absolutely Summable:**  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x[n]| < \infty \Rightarrow$  **Finite energy**

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For sampled signals, the  $n^{\text{th}}$  sample is at time  $t = nT = \frac{n}{f_s}$  where  $f_s = \frac{1}{T}$  is the sample frequency.

We usually scale time so that  $f_s = 1$ : divide all “real” frequencies and angular frequencies by  $f_s$  and divide all “real” times by  $T$ .

- To scale back to real-world values: multiply all *times* by  $T$  and all *frequencies* and *angular frequencies* by  $T^{-1} = f_s$ .
- We use  $\Omega$  for “real” angular frequencies and  $\omega$  for normalized angular frequency. The units of  $\omega$  are “radians per sample”.

**Energy** of sampled signal,  $x[n]$ , equals  $\sum x^2[n]$

- Multiply by  $T$  to get energy of continuous signal,  $\int x^2(t)dt$ , provided there is no aliasing.

**Power** of  $\{x[n]\}$  is the average of  $x^2[n]$  in “energy per sample”

- same value as the power of  $x(t)$  in “energy per second” provided there is no aliasing.

**Warning:** Several MATLAB routines scale time so that  $f_s = 2$  Hz. Weird, non-standard and irritating.



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### Summary

The  $z$ -transform converts a sequence,  $\{x[n]\}$ , into a function,  $X(z)$ , of an arbitrary complex-valued variable  $z$ .

Why do it?

- Complex functions are easier to manipulate than sequences
- Useful operations on sequences correspond to simple operations on the  $z$ -transform:
  - addition, multiplication, scalar multiplication, time-shift, convolution
- Definition:  $X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} x[n]z^{-n}$

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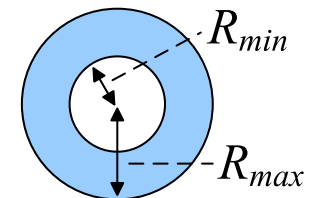
### Summary

The set of  $z$  for which  $X(z)$  converges is its *Region of Convergence* (ROC).

**Complex analysis**  $\Rightarrow$ : the ROC of a power series (if it exists at all) is always an annular region of the form  $0 \leq R_{min} < |z| < R_{max} \leq \infty$ .

$X(z)$  will always **converge absolutely** inside the ROC and may converge on some, all, or none of the boundary.

- “**converge absolutely**”  $\Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} |x[n]z^{-n}| < \infty$
- **finite length**  $\Leftrightarrow R_{min} = 0, R_{max} = \infty$ 
  - ROC may included either, both or none of 0 and  $\infty$
- **absolutely summable**  $\Leftrightarrow X(z)$  converges for  $|z| = 1$ .
- **right-sided &  $|x[n]| < A \times B^n \Rightarrow R_{max} = \infty$** 
  - **+ causal**  $\Rightarrow X(\infty)$  converges
- **left-sided &  $|x[n]| < A \times B^{-n} \Rightarrow R_{min} = 0$** 
  - **+ anticausal**  $\Rightarrow X(0)$  converges



# [Convergence Properties]

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## **Null Region of Convergence:**

It is possible to define a sequence,  $x[n]$ , whose  $z$ -transform never converges (i.e. the ROC is null). An example is  $x[n] \equiv 1$ . The  $z$ -transform is  $X(z) = \sum z^{-n}$  and it is clear that this fails to converge for any real value of  $z$ .

## **Convergence for $x[n]$ causal:**

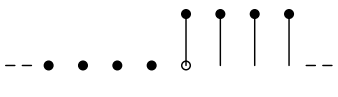
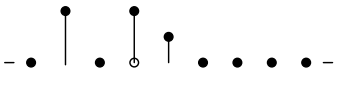
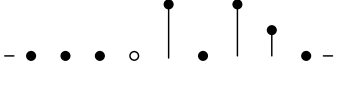
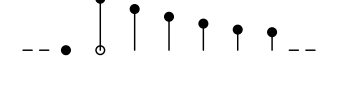

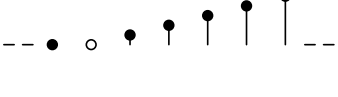
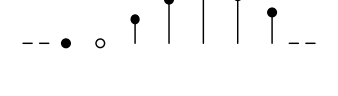

If  $x[n]$  is causal with  $|x[n]| < A \times B^n$  for some  $A$  and  $B$ , then  $|X(z)| = \left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} \right| \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |x[n]z^{-n}|$  and so, for  $|z| = R \geq B$ ,  $|X(z)| \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} AB^n R^{-n} = \frac{A}{1-BR^{-1}} < \infty$ .

## **Convergence for $x[n]$ right-sided:**

If  $x[n]$  is right-sided with  $|x[n]| < A \times B^n$  for some  $A$  and  $B$  and  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n < N$ , then  $y[n] = x[n - N]$  is causal with  $|y[n]| < A \times B^{n+N} = AB^N \times B^n$ . Hence, from the previous result, we know that  $Y(z)$  converges for  $|z| \geq B$ . The  $z$ -transform,  $X(z)$ , is given by  $X(z) = z^N Y(z)$  so  $X(z)$  will converge for any  $B \leq |z| < \infty$  since  $|z^N| < \infty$  for  $|z|$  in this range.

# z-Transform examples

The sample at  $n = 0$  is indicated by an open circle.

$u[n]$		$\frac{1}{1-z^{-1}}$	$1 <  z  \leq \infty$
$x[n]$		$2z^2 + 2 + z^{-1}$	$0 <  z  < \infty$
$x[n-3]$		$z^{-3} (2z^2 + 2 + z^{-1})$	$0 <  z  \leq \infty$
$\alpha^n u[n]_{\alpha=0.8}$		$\frac{1}{1-\alpha z^{-1}}$	$\alpha <  z  \leq \infty$
$-\alpha^n u[-n-1]$		$\frac{1}{1-\alpha z^{-1}}$	$0 \leq  z  < \alpha$
$nu[n]$		$\frac{z^{-1}}{1-2z^{-1}+z^{-2}}$	$1 <  z  \leq \infty$
$\sin(\omega n)u[n]_{\omega=0.5}$		$\frac{z^{-1} \sin(\omega)}{1-2z^{-1} \cos(\omega)+z^{-2}}$	$1 <  z  \leq \infty$
$\cos(\omega n)u[n]_{\omega=0.5}$		$\frac{1-z^{-1} \cos(\omega)}{1-2z^{-1} \cos(\omega)+z^{-2}}$	$1 <  z  \leq \infty$

Note: Examples 4 and 5 have the same z-transform but different ROCs.

$$\text{Geometric Progression: } \sum_{n=q}^r \alpha^n z^{-n} = \frac{\alpha^q z^{-q} - \alpha^{r+1} z^{-r-1}}{1 - \alpha z^{-1}}$$

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Most  $z$ -transforms that we will meet are **rational polynomials** with real coefficients, usually one polynomial in  $z^{-1}$  divided by another.

$$G(z) = g \frac{\prod_{m=1}^M (1 - z_m z^{-1})}{\prod_{k=1}^K (1 - p_k z^{-1})} = g z^{K-M} \frac{\prod_{m=1}^M (z - z_m)}{\prod_{k=1}^K (z - p_k)}$$

Completely defined by the **poles**, **zeros** and **gain**.

The **absolute values** of the poles define the ROCs:

$\exists R + 1$  different ROCs

where  $R$  is the number of distinct pole magnitudes.

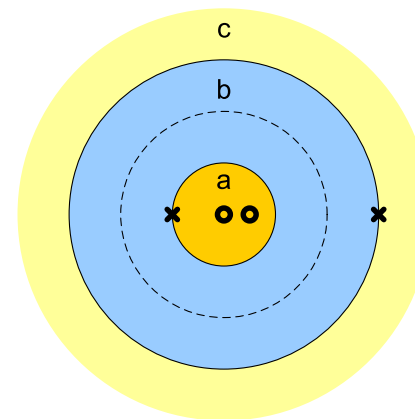
**Note:** There are  $K - M$  zeros or  $M - K$  poles at  $z = 0$  (**easy to overlook**)

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$$G(z) = \frac{8-2z^{-1}}{4-4z^{-1}-3z^{-2}}$$

**Poles/Zeros:**  $G(z) = \frac{2z(z-0.25)}{(z+0.5)(z-1.5)}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  **Poles** at  $z = \{-0.5, +1.5\}$ ,  
**Zeros** at  $z = \{0, +0.25\}$



**Partial Fractions:**  $G(z) = \frac{0.75}{1+0.5z^{-1}} + \frac{1.25}{1-1.5z^{-1}}$

ROC	ROC	$\frac{0.75}{1+0.5z^{-1}}$	$\frac{1.25}{1-1.5z^{-1}}$	$G(z)$
a	$0 \leq  z  < 0.5$			
b	$0.5 <  z  < 1.5$			
c	$1.5 <  z  \leq \infty$			

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$g[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint G(z) z^{n-1} dz$  where the integral is anti-clockwise around a circle within the ROC,  $z = Re^{j\theta}$ .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint G(z) z^{n-1} dz &= \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint \left( \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} g[m] z^{-m} \right) z^{n-1} dz \\ &\stackrel{(i)}{=} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} g[m] \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint z^{n-m-1} dz \\ &\stackrel{(ii)}{=} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} g[m] \delta[n-m] = g[n] \end{aligned}$$

(i) depends on the circle with radius  $R$  lying within the ROC

(ii) Cauchy's theorem:  $\frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint z^{k-1} dz = \delta[k]$  for  $z = Re^{j\theta}$  anti-clockwise.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dz}{d\theta} = jRe^{j\theta} &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint z^{k-1} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} R^{k-1} e^{j(k-1)\theta} \times jRe^{j\theta} d\theta \\ &= \frac{R^k}{2\pi} \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} e^{jk\theta} d\theta \\ &= R^k \delta(k) = \delta(k) \quad [R^0 = 1] \end{aligned}$$

In practice use a combination of partial fractions and table of  $z$ -transforms.

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tf2zp,zp2tf	$\frac{b(z^{-1})}{a(z^{-1})} \leftrightarrow \{z_m, p_k, g\}$
residuez	$\frac{b(z^{-1})}{a(z^{-1})} \rightarrow \sum_k \frac{r_k}{1-p_k z^{-1}}$
tf2sos,sos2tf	$\frac{b(z^{-1})}{a(z^{-1})} \leftrightarrow \prod_l \frac{b_{0,l} + b_{1,l} z^{-1} + b_{2,l} z^{-2}}{1 + a_{1,l} z^{-1} + a_{2,l} z^{-2}}$
zp2sos,sos2zp	$\{z_m, p_k, g\} \leftrightarrow \prod_l \frac{b_{0,l} + b_{1,l} z^{-1} + b_{2,l} z^{-2}}{1 + a_{\in 1,l} z^{-1} + a_{2,l} z^{-2}}$
zp2ss,ss2zp	$\{z_m, p_k, g\} \leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x' = Ax + Bu \\ y = Cx + Du \end{cases}$
tf2ss,ss2tf	$\frac{b(z^{-1})}{a(z^{-1})} \leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x' = Ax + Bu \\ y = Cx + Du \end{cases}$



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- **Time scaling:** assume  $f_s = 1$  so  $-\pi < \omega \leq \pi$
- **z-transform:**  $X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} x[n]z^{-n}$
- **ROC:**  $0 \leq R_{min} < |z| < R_{max} \leq \infty$ 
  - **Causal:**  $\infty \in \text{ROC}$
  - **Absolutely summable:**  $|z| = 1 \in \text{ROC}$
- **Inverse z-transform:**  $g[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint G(z)z^{n-1}dz$ 
  - **Not unique** unless ROC is specified
  - Use **partial fractions** and/or a **table**

For further details see Mitra:1 & 6.