

Lecture - 16

Z-Transform

1.1 Introduction :

Fourier transform provides a valuable technique for frequency domain analysis and design of continuous time signals and LTI systems. While the Z-transform provides a valuable technique for analysis and design of discrete time signals and discrete time LTI systems.

The Z-transform has real and imaginary parts like fourier transform. A plot of imaginary part versus real part is called as Z-plane or complex Z-plane. The poles and zeros of discrete time system are plotted in the complex Z-plane. The pole-zero plot is main characteristic of discrete time LTI systems. We can also check the stability of system using pole-zero plot.

1.1.1 Advantages of Z-transform :

The importance of Z-transform is as follows :

1. Discrete time signals and LTI systems can be completely characterized using Z-transform.
2. The stability of LTI system can be determined using Z-transform.
3. Mathematical calculations are reduced using Z-transform. For example convolution operation is transformed into simple multiplication operation.
4. By calculating Z-transform of given signal, DFT and FT can be determined.
5. Entire family of digital filters can be obtained from one proto-type design using Z-transform.
6. The solution of differential equations can be simplified using Z-transform.

1.2 Z-Transform :

There are two types of Z-transform :

1. Single sided Z-transform
2. Double sided Z-transform.

1. Single sided Z-transform :

Definition : A single sided Z-transform of discrete time signal $x(n)$ is defined as,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x(n)Z^{-n} \quad \dots(1)$$

Here "Z" is a complex variable. In Equation (1), limits of summation are from 0 to ∞ . So while expanding the summation we will put only positive values of n (from $n = 0$ to $n = \infty$). So this is single sided or one-sided Z-transform.

2. Double sided Z-transform :

Definition : A double sided Z-transform of discrete time signal $x(n)$ is defined as,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)Z^{-n} \quad \dots(2)$$

While expanding the summation, we will put both positive and negative values of 'n'. Thus this is double-sided Z- transform.

What is Z-domain ?

Observe Equations (1) and (2). Here we are transforming discrete time sequence $x(n)$ into $X(Z)$. We know that discrete time sequence $x(n)$ is drawn by plotting amplitude versus 'n'. This is called as discrete domain. In case of Z-transform we are plotting real part of Z on X-axis and imaginary part of Z on Y-axis as shown in Fig. U-1. This is called as Z-domain.

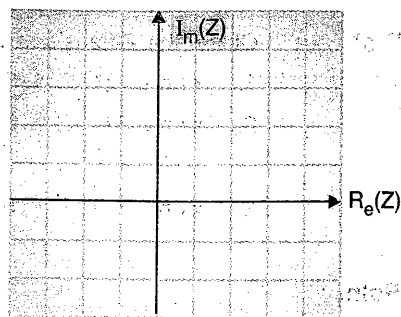


Fig. U-1 : Z-domain

How to denote Z-transform ?

The relationship between $x(n)$ and $X(Z)$ is indicated as follows :

$$x(n) \xleftrightarrow{Z} X(Z) \quad \dots(3)$$

Note that $X(Z)$ is 'Z' transform of $x(n)$. Always, when Z-transform of sequence is obtained then it is denoted by capital letter, 'X'(Z). Here the arrow is bidirectional. This is because we can also obtain $x(n)$ from $X(Z)$ using inverse Z-transform.

The 'Z' transform of $x(n)$ is also denoted as,

$$X(Z) = Z\{x(n)\} \quad \dots(4)$$

Here $x(n)$ and $X(Z)$ are called as Z-transform pairs.

1.2.1 Region of Convergence (ROC) :

In case of Z-transform; the limits of summation are from $n = -\infty$ to $n = \infty$. So if we will expand this summation then we will get an infinite power series. This infinite power series (that means Z-transform) will exist only for those values of Z for which the series attains a finite value. (That means the series converges).

Definition of ROC :

The region of convergence (ROC) of $X(Z)$ is set for all the values of Z for which $X(Z)$ attains a finite value. Everytime when we find the Z-transform, we must indicate its ROC.

Significance of ROC :

1. ROC will decide whether a system (filter) is stable or unstable.
2. ROC also determines the type of sequence that means.
 - (i) Causal or non-causal
 - (ii) Finite or infinite.

Solved Problems :

Prob. 1 : Obtain the Z-transform of following finite duration sequences.

1. $x(n) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 0, 7\}$

2. $x(n) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 0, 7\}$

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3. $x(n) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 0, 7\}$

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Soln. :

1. Here arrow is not mentioned. So by default it is at first position.

$$\therefore x(n) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 0, 7\} \quad \dots(1)$$

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According to definition of Z-transform we have,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)Z^{-n} \quad \dots(2)$$

But $x(n)$ is present from $n = 0$ to $n = 5$. The different values are as follows :

$$x(0) = 1$$

$$x(3) = 5$$

$$x(1) = 2$$

$$x(4) = 0$$

$$x(2) = 4$$

$$x(5) = 7$$

Thus we will change the limits of summation from $n = 0$ to $n = 5$.

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^5 x(n)Z^{-n} \quad \dots(3)$$

Expanding the summation we get,

$$\therefore X(Z) = x(0)Z^0 + x(1)Z^{-1} + x(2)Z^{-2} + x(3)Z^{-3} + x(4)Z^{-4} + x(5)Z^{-5}$$

$$\therefore X(Z) = 1Z^0 + 2Z^{-1} + 4Z^{-2} + 5Z^{-3} + 0Z^{-4} + 7Z^{-5}$$

$$\text{But } Z^0 = 1$$

$$X(Z) = 1 + \frac{2}{Z} + \frac{4}{Z^2} + \frac{5}{Z^3} + \frac{7}{Z^5}$$

... (4)

ROC : This is finite duration sequence. For this sequence we will check for which values of 'Z'; the value of $X(Z)$ becomes infinity. The simple method to decide the ROC is, put $Z = 0$ and $Z = \infty$ in the equation of $X(Z)$.

(i) Putting $Z = 0$ in Equation (4) we get,

$$X(Z) = 1 + \frac{2}{0} + \frac{4}{0} + \frac{5}{0} + \frac{7}{0} = 1 + \infty = \infty$$

We know that $\frac{2}{0}, \frac{4}{0}$ etc. are equal to ∞ . And $1 + \infty$ is again ∞ . Thus $Z = 0$ is not valid as it results $X(Z) = \infty$.

(ii) Putting $Z = \infty$ in Equation (4) we get,

$$X(Z) = 1 + \frac{2}{\infty} + \frac{4}{\infty} + \frac{5}{\infty} + \frac{7}{\infty} = 1 + 0 = 1$$

Here $\frac{2}{\infty}, \frac{4}{\infty} = 0$. Thus putting $Z = \infty$ we get

finite value. So $Z = \infty$ is allowed.

Now ROC of given sequence is written as follows :

ROC : Entire Z-plane except $|Z| = 0$

This ROC is shown in Fig. U-2.

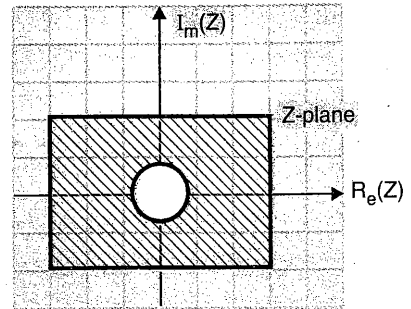


Fig. U-2 : ROC

Note : This sequence is causal, since $x(n)$ is present only for positive values of n . Thus for a causal finite duration sequence ROC is entire Z-plane except $|Z| = 0$.

2. Given sequence is,

$$x(n) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 0, 7\} \quad \dots(1)$$

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According to definition of Z-transform we have,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)Z^{-n} \quad \dots(2)$$

Note that the range of given sequence is from $n = -5$ to $n = 0$. The different values of $x(n)$ are :

| | |
|-------------|-------------|
| $x(-5) = 1$ | $x(-2) = 5$ |
| $x(-4) = 2$ | $x(-1) = 0$ |
| $x(-3) = 4$ | $x(0) = 7$ |

We will change the limits of summation from $n = -5$ to $n = 0$.

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=-5}^0 x(n)Z^{-n} \quad \dots(3)$$

Expanding the summation we get,

$$X(Z) = x(-5)Z^5 + x(-4)Z^4 + x(-3)Z^3 + x(-2)Z^2 + x(-1)Z^1 + x(0)Z^0$$

$$\therefore X(Z) = 1Z^5 + 2Z^4 + 4Z^3 + 5Z^2 + 0Z^1 + 7Z^0$$

$$X(Z) = Z^5 + 2Z^4 + 4Z^3 + 5Z^2 + 7 \quad \dots(4)$$

ROC : We will determine ROC by putting $Z = 0$ and $Z = \infty$.

(i) Putting $Z = 0$ in Equation (4) we get,

$$X(Z) = 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 7 = 7$$

This is a finite value. So $Z = 0$ is allowed.

(ii) Putting $Z = \infty$ in Equation (4) we get,

$$X(Z) = \infty + \infty + \infty + \infty + 7 = \infty + 7 = \infty$$

This is because $\infty + 7$ etc. $= \infty$. So $Z = \infty$ is not allowed.

Thus ROC is entire Z-plane except $|Z| = \infty$. This ROC is shown in Fig. U-3.

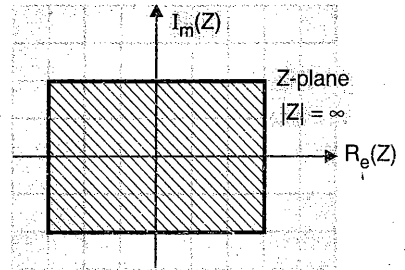


Fig. U-3 : ROC

Note : The given sequence $x(n)$ is anticausal. This is because $x(n)$ is present only for negative values of 'n'. Thus for anticausal finite duration sequence, ROC is entire Z-plane except $|Z| = \infty$.

3. Given sequence is,

$$x(n) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 0, 7\} \quad \dots(1)$$

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According to definition of Z-transform we have,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(2)$$

But $x(n)$ is present from $n = -2$ to $n = 3$. The different values of $x(n)$ are as follows :

| | |
|-------------|------------|
| $x(-2) = 1$ | $x(1) = 5$ |
| $x(-1) = 2$ | $x(2) = 0$ |
| $x(0) = 4$ | $x(3) = 7$ |

We will change the limits of summation from $n = -2$ to $n = 3$.

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=-2}^{n=3} x(n) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(3)$$

Expanding the summation we get,

$$X(Z) = x(-2)Z^{+2} + x(-1)Z^{+1} + x(0)Z^0 + x(1)Z^{-1} + x(2)Z^{-2} + x(3)Z^{-3}$$

$$\therefore X(Z) = 1Z^2 + 2Z^1 + 4Z^0 + 5Z^{-1} + 2Z^{-2} + 7Z^{-3}$$

$$X(Z) = Z^2 + Z + 4 + \frac{5}{Z} + \frac{2}{Z^2} + \frac{7}{Z^3}$$

...(4)

ROC : We will determine ROC by putting $Z = 0$ and $Z = \infty$ in Equation (4).

(i) Putting $Z = 0$ in Equation (4) we get,

$$X(Z) = 0 + 0 + 4 + \frac{5}{0} + \frac{2}{0} + \frac{7}{0} = 4 + \infty = \infty$$

This is because $\frac{5}{0}$, $\frac{2}{0}$ and $\frac{7}{0} = \infty$

Thus $Z = 0$ is not allowed.

(ii) Putting $Z = \infty$ in Equation (4) we get,

$$X(Z) = \infty + \infty + 4 + \frac{5}{\infty} + \frac{2}{\infty} + \frac{7}{\infty} = \infty$$

Thus $Z = \infty$ is not allowed.

ROC : ROC is entire Z-plane except $|Z| = 0$

and $|Z| = \infty$.

This ROC is shown in Fig. U-4.

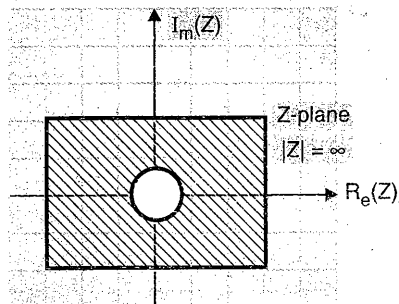


Fig. U-4 : ROC

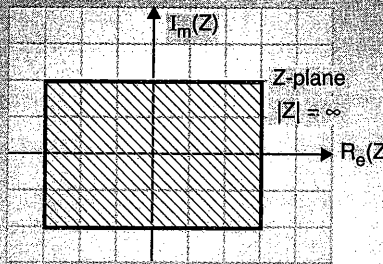
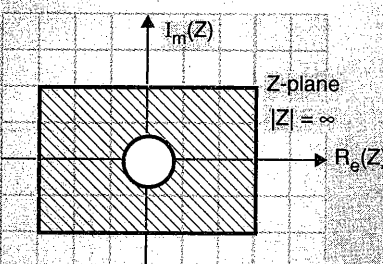
Note : The given sequence is a bothsided sequence. This is because $x(n)$ is present for both positive and negative values of 'n'. Thus for bothsided finite duration sequence the ROC is entire Z-plane except $|Z| = 0$ and $|Z| = \infty$.

Summary of ROC :

Table U-1 shows the ROC for different finite duration sequences.

Table U-1

| Sr. No. | Finite duration sequence | ROC (Diagram) | ROC (Statement) |
|---------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| 1) | Causal sequence | | Entire Z-plane except $ Z = 0$ |

| Sr. No. | Finite duration sequence | ROC (Diagram) | ROC (Statement) |
|---------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 2) | Anticausal sequence |  | Entire Z-plane except $ Z = \infty$ |
| 3) | Two sided sequence |  | Entire Z-plane except $ Z = 0$ and $ Z = \infty$ |

1.2.2 Z-transform of Standard Sequences :

In this section we will obtain Z-transform of some standard sequences. Most of the standard sequences are having infinite duration. But there are some exceptions like unit impulse, $\delta(n)$.

1. Z-transform of unit impulse $\delta(n)$:

Unit impulse $\delta(n)$ is shown in Fig. U-5. It is given by,

$$\delta(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{only at } n = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

According to definition of Z-transform we have,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(1)$$

Here $x(n) = \delta(n)$

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(n) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(2)$$

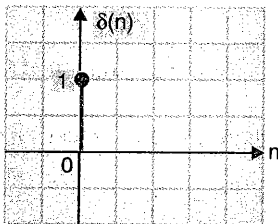


Fig. U-5 : Unit impulse $\delta(n)$

Since $\delta(n)$ is present only at $n = 0$ we can directly write,

$$X(Z) = \delta(0) Z^0$$

But $\delta(0) = 1$ and $Z^0 = 1$

$$\therefore X(Z) = 1$$

...(3)

ROC : In Equation (3), there is no 'Z' term. So ROC is entire Z-plane. That means Z can have any value.

Thus the Z-transform pair is

$$\delta(n) \xleftrightarrow{Z} 1$$

2. Z-transform of delayed unit impulse, $\delta(n - k)$:

Here $\delta(n - k)$ is a delayed unit impulse. It indicates that $\delta(n)$ is delayed by 'k' samples. It is shown in Fig. U-6.

It is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(n - k) &= 1 && \text{only at } n = k \text{ and } k > 0 \\ &= 0 && \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

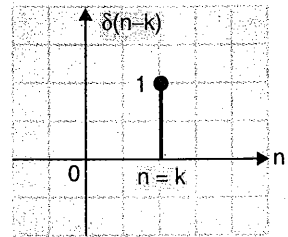


Fig. U-6 : Delayed unit impulse

According to definition of Z-transform we have,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(1)$$

Here $x(n) = \delta(n - k), \quad k > 0$

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(n - k) Z^{-n}$$

But $\delta(n - k) = 1$ only at $n = k$. Thus we get,

$$X(Z) = 1 \cdot Z^{-k}$$

$$\therefore X(Z) = Z^{-k}$$

ROC :

Here $X(Z) = Z^{-k} = \frac{1}{Z^k}$. Since k is positive, ($k > 0$) for any value of 'Z' (except $Z = 0$) we will get finite value of $X(Z)$. Thus *ROC is entire Z-plane except $Z = 0$* . This is because if we put $Z = 0$ then $X(Z) = \infty$. Thus the Z-transform pair is,

$$\delta(n-k) \xleftrightarrow{Z} Z^{-k}$$

3. Z-transform of advanced unit impulse , $\delta(n+k)$, $k > 0$:

Here $\delta(n+k)$, $k > 0$ is an advanced unit impulse. It indicates that $\delta(n)$ is advanced by '+k' samples. It is shown in Fig. U-7.

It is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(n+k) &= 1 && \text{only at } n = -k, k > 0 \\ &= 0 && \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

According to definition of Z-transform we have,

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

Here $x(n) = \delta(n+k)$

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(n+k) Z^{-n}$$

But $\delta(n+k) = 1$ only at $n = -k$. Thus we get,

$$X(Z) = 1 \cdot Z^k$$

$$\therefore X(Z) = Z^k$$

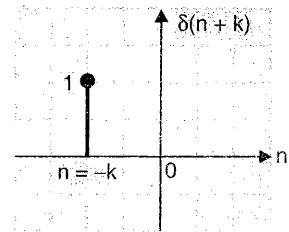


Fig. U-7 : Advanced unit impulse

ROC :

Here $k > 0$. So we will get finite values of $X(Z)$ for all 'Z' except $Z = \infty$. Because for $Z = \infty$ we get, $X(Z) = (\infty)^k = \infty$. Thus *ROC is entire Z-plane except $Z = \infty$* .

Thus Z-transform pair is,

$$\delta(n+k) \xleftrightarrow{Z} Z^k$$

4. Z-transform of unit step, $u(n)$:

We know that $u(n)$ is unit step as shown in Fig. U-8.

It is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} u(n) &= 1 && \text{for } n \geq 0 \\ &= 0 && \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

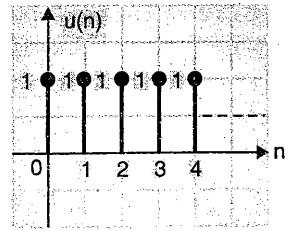


Fig. U-8 : Unit step

According to the definition of Z-transform we have,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(1)$$

Here $x(n) = u(n)$. Since $u(n)$ is present from $n = 0$ to $n = \infty$ we will change the limits of summation.

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u(n) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(2)$$

But the magnitude of $u(n)$ is always 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore X(Z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 1 \cdot Z^{-n} \\ \therefore X(Z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (Z^{-1})^n \quad \dots(3) \end{aligned}$$

The standard equation of geometric series is,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A^n = A^0 + A + A^2 + A^3 + \dots = 1 + A + A^2 + A^3 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-A} \text{ if } |A| < 1 \quad \dots(4)$$

Let $A = Z^{-1}$. Thus Equation (3) becomes,

$$X(Z) = \frac{1}{1-A} \text{ if } |A| < 1 = \frac{1}{1-Z^{-1}} \text{ if } |Z^{-1}| < 1$$

\therefore Multiplying numerator and denominator by Z we get,

$$X(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z - Z^{-1}Z} \text{ if } |Z^{-1}| < 1$$

$$\therefore X(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z-1} \text{ if } |Z^{-1}| < 1$$

In Equation (4), the condition "if $|A| < 1$ " indicates that if this condition is satisfied then only the geometric series is convergent otherwise not. In the given example we get this condition as, $|Z^{-1}| < 1$. That means this is the condition of ROC.

Thus ROC : $|Z^{-1}| < 1$

that means $\left| \frac{1}{Z} \right| < 1$

$\therefore |1| < |Z| \cdot 1$

\therefore ROC is $|Z| > 1$

This ROC is plotted as shown in Fig. U-9.

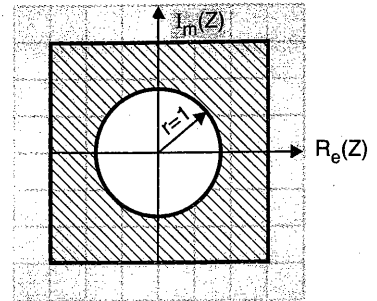


Fig. U-9 : ROC of unit step

Thus ROC is exterior part of circle having radius 1.

Thus the Z-transform pair is,

$$u(n) \longleftrightarrow \frac{Z}{Z-1} \text{ if } |Z| > 1$$

Why to draw circle only ?

The given ROC is $|Z| > 1$. In case of circle having radius 1, every point outside the periphery of circle satisfies this condition ($|Z| > 1$). For other diagrams like square or triangle this condition cannot be satisfied.

Note : The unit step is an infinite sequence and as shown in Fig. U-9, the range of $u(n)$ is from $n = 0$ to $n = \infty$. That means this sequence is present only for positive values of n . So it is a causal sequence.

5. Z-transform of unit ramp :

We know that unit ramp sequence is denoted by $r(n)$. It is as shown in Fig. U-10.

Its magnitude is as follows :

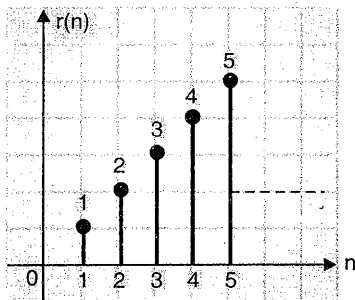


Fig. U-10 : Unit ramp

$$\text{at } n = 0, \quad r(n) = 0$$

$$\text{at } n = 1, \quad r(n) = 1$$

$$\text{at } n = 2, \quad r(n) = 2$$

$$\text{at } n = 3, \quad r(n) = 3 \dots$$

Thus it is expressed as,

$$r(n) = n \quad \text{for } n \geq 0$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{otherwise} \quad \dots(1)$$

Since this sequence is again causal sequence we can write

$$r(n) = n u(n) \quad \dots(2)$$

Note Whenever any sequence is multiplied by $u(n)$ then the magnitude of that sequence is not changed. But since $u(n)$ is present, only for positive values of n ($n \geq 0$), the result of multiplication is a causal sequence. Thus multiplication of any sequence with $u(n)$ always results in causal sequence.

According to the definition of Z-transform we have,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)Z^{-n} \quad \dots(3)$$

But here $x(n) = r(n) = nu(n)$

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} nu(n)Z^{-n} \quad \dots(4)$$

Just now we discussed that the multiplication by $u(n)$ results in a causal sequence. So the limits of summation will be from $n = 0$ to $n = \infty$. Remember that since the magnitude of $u(n)$ is 1; it will not affect the calculation. It is just used to change the limits. So now onwards we will not write $u(n)$ in the calculations.

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} nZ^{-n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(Z^{-1})^n \quad \dots(5)$$

Now use standard summation formula,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} nA^n = \frac{A}{(1-A)^2} \quad \text{if } |A| < 1$$

Let $A = Z^{-1}$. Thus Equation (5) becomes,

$$X(Z) = \frac{Z^{-1}}{(1-Z^{-1})^2} \quad \text{if } |Z^{-1}| < 1$$

To convert this equation into positive powers of 'Z' we will multiply numerator and denominator by Z^2 .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore X(Z) &= \frac{Z^2 \cdot Z^{-1}}{Z^2(1-Z^{-1})^2} && \text{if } |Z^{-1}| < 1 \\ &= \frac{Z}{Z^2(1-2Z^{-1}+Z^{-2})} && \text{if } |Z^{-1}| < 1 \\ &= \frac{Z}{Z^2-2Z+1} && \text{if } |Z^{-1}| < 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$X(Z) = \frac{Z}{(Z-1)^2} \quad \text{if } |Z^{-1}| < 1$$

ROC : Here the condition " $|Z^{-1}| < 1$ " indicates the ROC.

$$\therefore \text{ROC is } \left| \frac{1}{Z} \right| < 1 \Rightarrow 1 < |Z|$$

$$\therefore \text{ROC is } |Z| > 1$$

Thus ROC is exterior part of circle having radius 1. This ROC is same as shown in Fig. U-9.

Thus the Z-transform pair is

$$n u(n) \longleftrightarrow \frac{Z}{(Z-1)^2} \quad \text{if } |Z| > 1$$

6. Z-transform of right hand exponential sequence :

As the name indicates, it is an exponential sequence present at the right hand that means only for positive values of 'n'. So it is a causal exponential sequence. Thus it is expressed as,

$$\begin{aligned} x(n) = \alpha^n u(n) &= \alpha^n \quad \text{for } n \geq 0 \\ &= 0 \quad \text{for } n < 0 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(1)$$

This exponential sequence is shown in Fig. U-11.

According to definition of Z-transform,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(2)$$

Here $x(n) = \alpha^n u(n)$. Since the sequence is multiplied by $u(n)$, the limits of summation will change. It will be $n = 0$ to $n = \infty$.

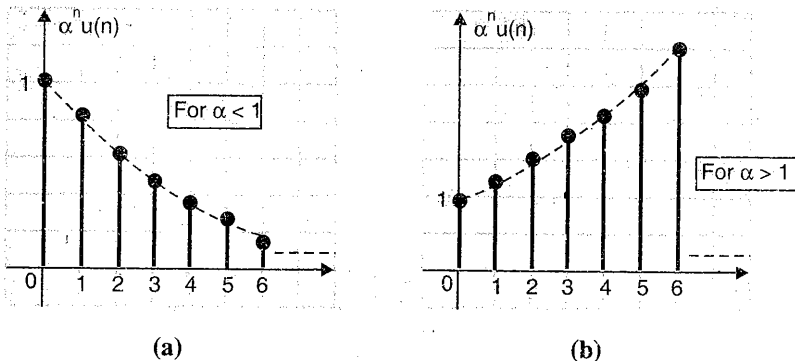


Fig. U-11 : Exponential sequence $\alpha^n u(n)$

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha^n Z^{-n} \quad \dots(3)$$

Let us bring it in the form of A^n .

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\alpha Z^{-1})^n \quad \dots(4)$$

Now we have the equation of geometric series,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A^n = \frac{1}{1-A} \quad \text{if } |A| < 1$$

Let $A = \alpha Z^{-1}$. Thus Equation (4) becomes,

$$X(Z) = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha Z^{-1}} \quad \text{if } |\alpha Z^{-1}| < 1 \quad \dots(5)$$

To convert it into positive powers of Z ; multiply numerator and denominator by Z .

$$\therefore X(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z(1 - \alpha Z^{-1})} \quad \text{if } |\alpha Z^{-1}| < 1$$

$$X(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z - \alpha} \quad \text{if } |\alpha Z^{-1}| < 1$$

ROC :

This condition $|\alpha Z^{-1}| < 1$ indicates the ROC.

$$\therefore \text{ROC is } |\alpha Z^{-1}| < 1 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{\alpha}{Z} \right| < 1 \Rightarrow |\alpha| < |Z|$$

Thus ROC is $|Z| > |\alpha|$.

It indicates that ROC is exterior part of circle having radius α .

This ROC is shown in Fig. U-12.

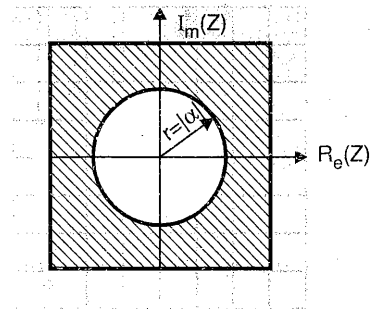


Fig. U-12 : ROC of $\alpha^n u(n)$

Thus we can write Z -transform pair as,

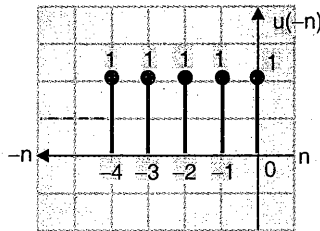
$$\alpha^n u(n) \longleftrightarrow \frac{Z}{Z - \alpha} \quad \text{if } |Z| > |\alpha|$$

7. Z-transform of left handed exponential sequence :

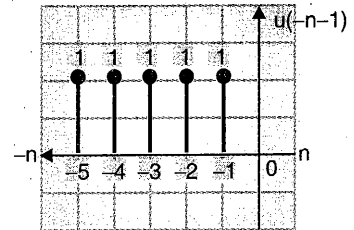
As the name indicates; it is an exponential sequence present on left hand side; that means only at negative values of 'n'. So it is anticausal or non-causal exponential sequence. It is expressed as,

$$x(n) = -\alpha^n u(-n-1) \quad \dots(1)$$

Here $u(-n)$ is folded unit step as shown in Fig. U-13(a).



(a) Folded unit step, $u(-n)$



(b) Sequence $u(-n-1)$

Fig. U-13

While $u(-n-1)$ indicates the advancing of $u(-n)$ by '1' sample. It is obtained by shifting Fig. U-13(a) towards left by 1 sample. This sequence is shown in Fig. U-13(b).

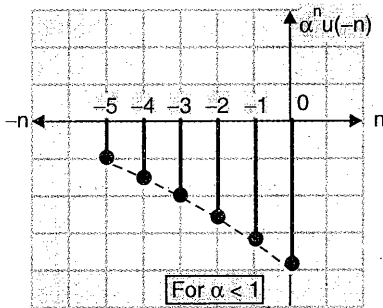


Fig. U-14 : Anticausal exponential sequence

According to definition of Z-transform we have,

$$X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(3)$$

$$\text{But } x(n) = -\alpha^n u(-n-1)$$

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} -\alpha^n u(-n-1) Z^{-n} \quad \dots(4)$$

Note that this sequence is having magnitude equals to 1. From $n = -1$ to $n = -\infty$. So we can express it as,

$$\begin{aligned} u(-n-1) &= 1 && \text{for } n \leq -1 \\ &= 0 && \text{for } n \geq 0 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(2)$$

Clearly this is an anticausal sequence. So *multiplication of any sequence with $u(-n-1)$ gives anticausal sequence.* And since its magnitude is unity; it will not change the magnitude of sequence after multiplication. Now anticausal exponential sequence is shown in Fig. U-14.

Here multiplication by $u(-n-1)$ gives anticausal sequence present from $n = -1$ to $n = -\infty$. So we will change the limits of summation. And since the magnitude of $(-\alpha^n)$ is not changed with this multiplication; we will not consider the term $u(-n-1)$ in the calculations.

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} (-\alpha^n) Z^{-n}$$

Here also we will have to bring it in the form A^n .

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} -(\alpha^{-1} Z^{-1})^n \quad \dots(5)$$

The limits of summation are negative, so to make it positive we will substitute

$$l = -n$$

$$\therefore n = -l$$

\therefore when $n = -\infty$, we get $-\infty = -l$; That means $l = \infty$

and when $n = -1$, we get $-1 = -l$; That means $l = 1$.

$$\therefore X(Z) = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} -(\alpha^{-1} Z^{-1})^{-l} \quad \dots(6)$$

Take negative sign outside and change the term inside the bracket.

$$\therefore X(Z) = - \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (\alpha^{-1} Z)^l \quad \dots(7)$$

$$\text{Now put } A = \alpha^{-1} Z$$

$$\text{Thus } \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} A^l = A + A^2 + A^3 + A^4 + \dots = A(1 + A + A^2 + A^3 + \dots)$$

The term inside the bracket is standard geometric series which converges to $\frac{1}{1-A}$ if $|A| < 1$.

Thus we get,

$$\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} A^l = A \times \frac{1}{1-A} \quad \text{if } |A| < 1 \quad \dots(8)$$

Thus Equation (7) becomes,

$$\begin{aligned} X(Z) &= -(\alpha^{-1} Z) \times \frac{1}{1 - \alpha^{-1} Z} && \text{if } |\alpha^{-1} Z| < 1 \\ &= -\frac{(Z/\alpha)}{1 - (Z/\alpha)} && \text{if } \left| \frac{Z}{\alpha} \right| < 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore X(Z) = \frac{Z/\alpha}{Z/\alpha - 1} \quad \text{if } |Z| < \alpha$$

Multiplying numerator and denominator by α we get,

$$X(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z - \alpha} \quad \text{if } |Z| < |\alpha|$$

ROC :

Here ROC is $|Z| < |\alpha|$. That means ROC is interior part of circle having radius α . This ROC is shown in Fig. U-15.

Thus Z-transform pair is

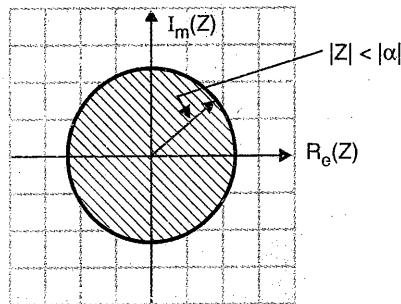


Fig. U-15 : ROC of $-\alpha^n u(-n-1)$

$$-\alpha^n u(-n-1) \xleftrightarrow{Z} \frac{Z}{Z - \alpha} \quad \text{if } |Z| < |\alpha|$$

Note : This sequence is an infinite exponential sequence and it is anticausal. Thus ROC of infinite anticausal sequence is interior part of circle having radius $|\alpha|$.

Comment : Z-transforms of $\alpha^n u(n)$ and $-\alpha^n u(-n-1)$ are same but their ROC's are different.

(8) Z-transform of two sided exponential :

Consider two sided exponential sequence, which is addition of causal and non-causal exponential sequences. Thus,

$$x(n) = \alpha^n u(n) + \beta^n u(-n-1) \quad \dots(1)$$

This two sided exponential sequence is shown in Fig. U-16(a).

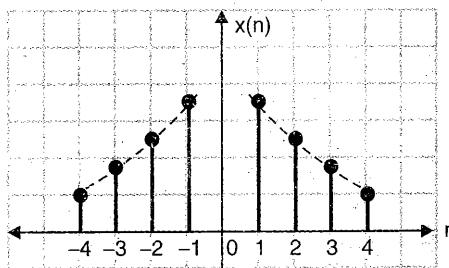


Fig. U-16(a) : Two sided exponential

Let $x_1(n) = \alpha^n u(n)$ and $x_2(n) = \beta^n u(-n-1)$.

Now $X(Z) = X_1(Z) + X_2(Z) \quad \dots(2)$

We have obtained the Z-transform for such sequences separately.

Z-transform of $\alpha^n u(n)$:

$$\text{We have } \alpha^n u(n) \longleftrightarrow \frac{Z}{Z-\alpha} \quad \text{if } |Z| > |\alpha|$$

$$\therefore X_1(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z-\alpha} \quad \text{if } |Z| > |\alpha| \quad \dots(3)$$

Z-transform of $\beta^n u(-n-1)$:

$$\text{We have } -\alpha^n u(-n-1) \longleftrightarrow \frac{Z}{Z-\alpha} \quad \text{if } |Z| < |\alpha|.$$

From this we can write,

$$\beta^n u(-n-1) = -\frac{Z}{Z-\beta} \quad \text{if } |Z| < |\beta|$$

$$\therefore X_2(Z) = \frac{-Z}{Z-\beta} \quad \text{if } |Z| < |\beta| \quad \dots(4)$$

Putting Equations (3) and (4) in Equation (2) we get,

$$X(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z-\alpha} - \frac{Z}{Z-\beta}$$

ROC : $|Z| > |\alpha|$ and $|Z| < |\beta|$

Deciding combined ROC :

We have obtained ROC separately. Now for the total sequence we will find ROC for which $X(Z) = X_1(Z) + X_2(Z)$ will convergent. In other words there should be some overlap of two ROC's. Now this will depend on the values of α and β .

We will consider two cases as follows :

Case I : If $|\beta| < |\alpha|$

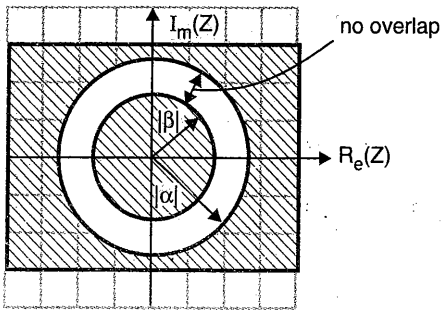
This ROC is plotted as shown in Fig. U-16(b).

We know that for $X_1(Z)$, ROC is $|Z| > |\alpha|$; which is exterior part of circle having radius α , that means exterior part of outer circle. And for $X_2(Z)$, ROC is $|Z| < |\beta|$; which is interior part of circle having radius β . That means interior part of inner circle.

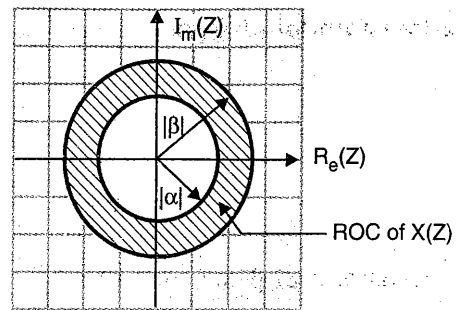
Now as shown in Fig. U-16(a), the two ROC's will not overlap. There is a gap between two ROC's. For this portion, $X(Z)$ will not convergent. That $X(Z)$ will not exist.

Case II : If $|\beta| > |\alpha|$

This ROC is plotted as shown in Fig. U-16(c).



(b) ROC for $|\beta| < |\alpha|$



(c) ROC for $|\beta| > |\alpha|$

Fig. U-16

In this case there is a ring in the Z-plane. In this case both power series converge simultaneously. That means $X(Z)$ exist.

$$\therefore X(Z) = X_1(Z) + X_2(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z-\alpha} - \frac{Z}{Z-\beta}$$

$$\therefore X(Z) = \frac{Z}{Z-\alpha} + \frac{Z}{\beta-Z} \quad \text{for } |\alpha| < |Z| < |\beta|$$

ROC :

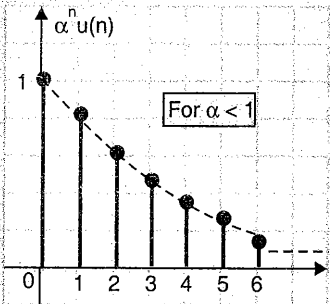
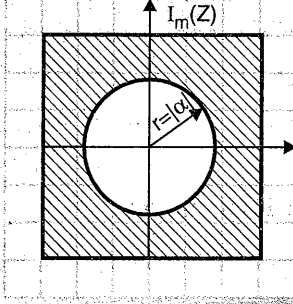
Thus combined ROC is $|\alpha| < |Z| < |\beta|$

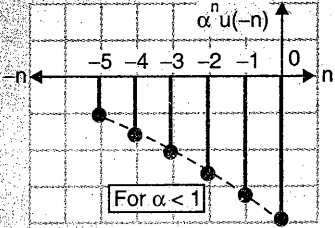
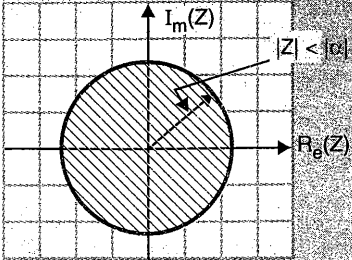
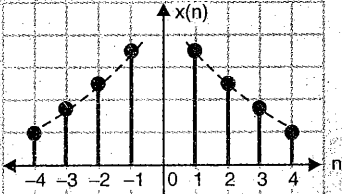
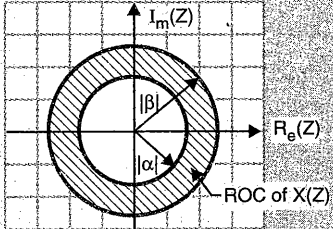
Note : When we combine many Z-transforms the ROC of the overall Z-transform is at least the intersection of the individual Z-transforms.

Summary of ROC for infinite duration sequences :

Table U-2 shows the ROC for infinite duration sequence.

Table U-2

| Sr. No. | Infinite duration sequence | ROC |
|---------|--|--|
| (1) | Causal e.g. $x(n) = \alpha^n u(n)$,  |  |

| Sr. No. | Infinite duration sequence | ROC |
|---------|--|--|
| (2) | <p>Anticausal</p> <p>e.g. $x(n) = \alpha^n u(-n-1)$,</p>  |  |
| (3) | <p>Two sided</p> <p>e.g. $x(n) = \alpha^n u(n) + \beta^n u(-n-1)$</p>  |  |

1.2.3 Properties of ROC :

We have solved some examples using Z transform and we have discussed ROC in each case. Based on this; the properties of ROC are summarized as follows :

- (1) The ROC is a ring, whose center is at origin.
- (2) ROC cannot contain any pole.
- (3) If ROC of $X(Z)$ includes unit circle then and then only the fourier transform of D.T. sequence $x(n)$ converges.
- (4) The ROC must be a connected region.
- (5) For a finite duration sequence, $x(n)$; the ROC is entire Z plane except $Z = 0$ and $Z = \infty$.
- (6) If $x(n)$ is causal then ROC is exterior part of circle of radius say ' α '.
- (7) If $x(n)$ is anticausal then ROC is interior part of circle of radius say ' α '.
- (8) If $x(n)$ is two sided sequence then ROC is intersection of two circles of radii ' α ' and ' β '.