

Problem Set 2 - Solution: The z-transform

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**Problem 1:**

$$\text{a) } H(z) = \frac{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-2}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}\right)} = -4 + \frac{5 - 3z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}\right)} = -4 + \frac{-2}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)} + \frac{7}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}\right)},$$

$$\text{ROC: } |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

Using the Inverse Z-transform:  $h[n] = -4\delta[n] - 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] + 7\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n]$

$$\text{b) } H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-2}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}\right)} = \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-2}}{1 - \frac{3}{4}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{8}z^{-2}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow Y(z) - \frac{3}{4}z^{-1}Y(z) + \frac{1}{8}z^{-2}Y(z) = X(z) - \frac{1}{2}z^{-2}X(z)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y[n] - \frac{3}{4}y[n-1] + \frac{1}{8}y[n-2] = x[n] - \frac{1}{2}x[n-2]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y[n] = \frac{3}{4}y[n-1] - \frac{1}{8}y[n-2] + x[n] - \frac{1}{2}x[n-2]$$

**Problem 2:**

$$H(z) = \frac{3 - 7z^{-1} + 5z^{-2}}{1 - \frac{5}{2}z^{-1} + z^{-2}} = 5 + \frac{1}{(1 - 2z^{-1})} - \frac{3}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow h[n] = 5\delta[n] - 2^n u[-n-1] - 3 * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

a)

$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n] = u[n] * h[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k]u[n-k] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n h[k]$$

$$= \begin{cases} \sum_{k=-\infty}^n 2^k = -2^{n+1} & n < 0 \\ -\sum_{k=-\infty}^{-1} 2^k + 5 - \sum_{k=0}^n 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k = -2 + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n & n \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= -2u[n] - 2^{n+1}u[-n-1] + 3 * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

b)

$$Y(z) = \frac{1}{1-z^{-1}} H(z) = \frac{-2}{1-z^{-1}} + \frac{2}{(1-2z^{-1})} + \frac{3}{(1-\frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}$$

Using the Inverse Z-Transform:

$$y[n] = -2u[n] - 2^{n+1}u[-n-1] + 3 * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

**Problem 3:**

$$H(z) = \frac{z^{-1} + z^{-2}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}\right)}$$

$$X(z) = \frac{2}{1-z^{-1}}$$

$$Y(z) = H(z)X(z) = \frac{2(z^{-1} + z^{-2})}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}\right)(1-z^{-1})}$$

$$y[n] = \sum [\text{residues of } Y(z)z^{n-1} \text{ inside } C1 \text{ (radius } > 1)]$$

$$Y(z)z^{n-1} = \frac{2(z^{-1} + z^{-2})z^{n-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}\right)(1-z^{-1})}$$

$$f(z) = Y(z)z^{n-1} = \frac{2(1+z^{-1})z^{n-2}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}\right)(1-z^{-1})}$$

$$f(z) = \frac{2(z^{-1} + z^{-2})}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}\right)(1-z^{-1})}, \text{ at } n = 1$$

$$f(z) = \frac{2(z^2 + z)}{\left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(z + \frac{1}{3}\right)(z-1)}$$

$$R_1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} \left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right) f(z) = -\frac{18}{5}$$

$$R_2 = \lim_{z \rightarrow -\frac{1}{3}} \left(z + \frac{1}{3}\right) f(z) = -\frac{2}{5}$$

$$R_3 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1) f(z) = 6$$

$$y[n] = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 = 2$$

**Problem 4:**

a)

$$X(z) = \frac{z^{10}}{\left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(z - \frac{3}{2}\right)^{10} \left(z + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \left(z + \frac{5}{2}\right) \left(z + \frac{7}{2}\right)}, \quad \text{ROC: } \frac{1}{2} < |z| < \frac{3}{2}$$

Since the system is stable, the ROC should include the unit circle.

b)

$$x[n] = \sum \left[ \text{residues of } X(z)z^{n-1} \text{ inside } C1 \text{ (radius } < \frac{3}{2}) \right]$$

At  $n = -8$ ,

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{\left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(z - \frac{3}{2}\right)^{10} \left(z + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \left(z + \frac{5}{2}\right) \left(z + \frac{7}{2}\right)}$$

Only  $p_1 = 0.5$  is inside the contour of radius  $< 3/2$ .

$$R1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}} \left(z - \frac{1}{2}\right) f(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\left(\frac{1-\frac{3}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{10} \left(\frac{1+\frac{3}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1+\frac{5}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}}\right) \left(\frac{1+\frac{7}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}}\right)} = \frac{1}{96}$$

$$\text{And } x[-8] = \frac{1}{96}$$

**Problem 5:**

a) Using the Z-transform pairs:

$$X(z) = -\frac{1}{3} * \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{4}{3} * \frac{1}{1 - 2z^{-1}} = \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}\right) \left(1 - 2z^{-1}\right)}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

b) Since  $X(z)$  has poles at 0.5 and 2, the poles at 1 and -0.5 are due to  $H(z)$ . Since  $H(z)$  is causal, its ROS is  $|z| > 1$ . The ROC of  $Y(z)$  must contain the intersection of the ROC of  $X(z)$  and the ROC of  $Y(z)$ . Hence the ROC of  $Y(z)$  is  $1 < |z| < 2$ .

c)

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{(1 + z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}{(1 - z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} = 1 + \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{(z - 1)} + \frac{\frac{-2}{3}}{\left(z + \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$h[n] = \delta[n] + \frac{2}{3}u[n] - \frac{2}{3}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

d) Yes the system is unstable since there is a pole on the unit circle.

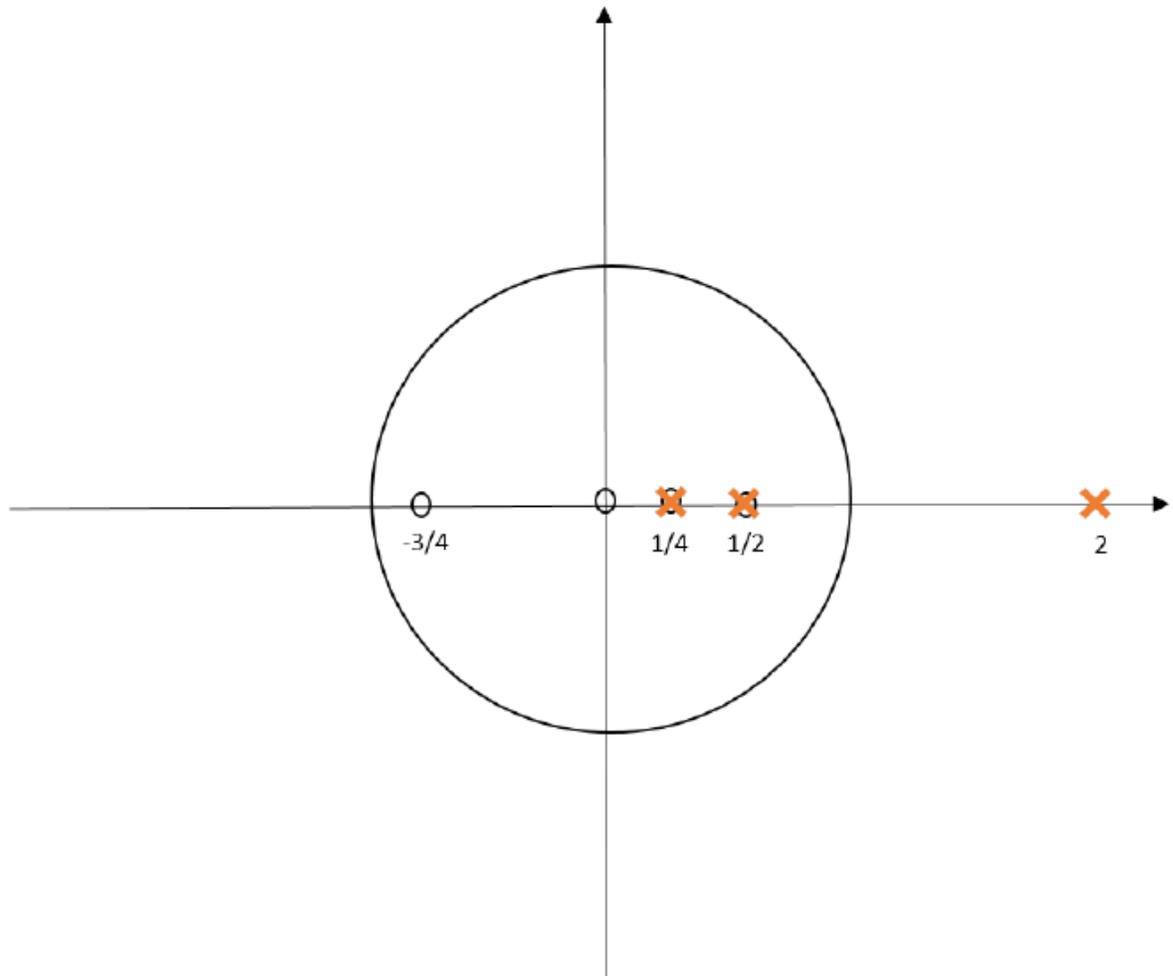
### Problem 6:

- a) Since  $y[n]$  is stable, the ROC must include the unit circle.  
Hence, we find that  $\text{ROC}_Y: \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$ .
- b)  $y[n]$  is two sided: given that its ROC is a ring on the  $z$ -plane.
- c) Since  $x[n]$  is stable,  $\text{ROC}_X$  must include the unit circle. Also, it has a zero at infinity, so the ROC includes infinity. Thus, **ROC<sub>X</sub>:  $|z| > \frac{3}{4}$** .
- d) Since the ROC of  $x[n]$  includes infinity,  $X(z)$  contains no positive powers of  $z$ , and so  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n < 0$ . Therefore  $x[n]$  is causal.
- e) From the poles/zeros plot we can deduce:

$$X(z) = \frac{A \left( z - \frac{1}{4} \right)}{\left( z + \frac{3}{4} \right) \left( z - \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

Using the initial value theorem,  $x[0] = X(z)|_{z=\infty} = 0$

- f)  $\text{ROC}_H: |z| < 2$



- g)  $\text{ROC}_H$  includes 0 and is therefore anti-causal.