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The z -Transform

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Laplace transform - for continuous time signal/system

z-transform - for discrete time signal/system

10.1 The z-transform

For an input $x[n] = z^n$

$$y[n] = H(z)z^n$$

$$H(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[n]z^{-n}$$

$$\downarrow z = e^{j\omega} \text{ with } \omega \text{ real (i.e., } |z| = 1)$$

DTFT of $h[n]$

z-transform of $h[n]$ (when $|z|$ is not restricted to unity)

- z -transform of a general discrete-time signal $x[n]$

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

- Notation : $x[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} X(z)$

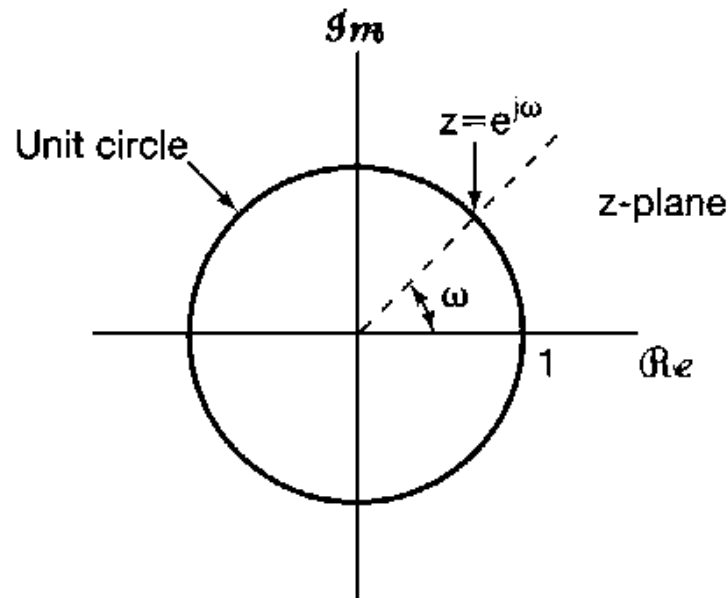
For a complex variable z , let $z = re^{j\omega}$

$$X(re^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} x[n](re^{j\omega})^{-n}$$

$$X(re^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \{x[n]r^{-n}\}e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$X(re^{j\omega}) = \Im\{x[n]r^{-n}\}$$

$|z| = 1 = |e^{j\omega}|$ is equivalent to the Fourier Transform



- Region of convergence (ROC) : a range of values of z for which $X(z)$ converges.

Note) If the ROC includes the unit circle,
then the Fourier transform also converges.

Ex. 10.1)

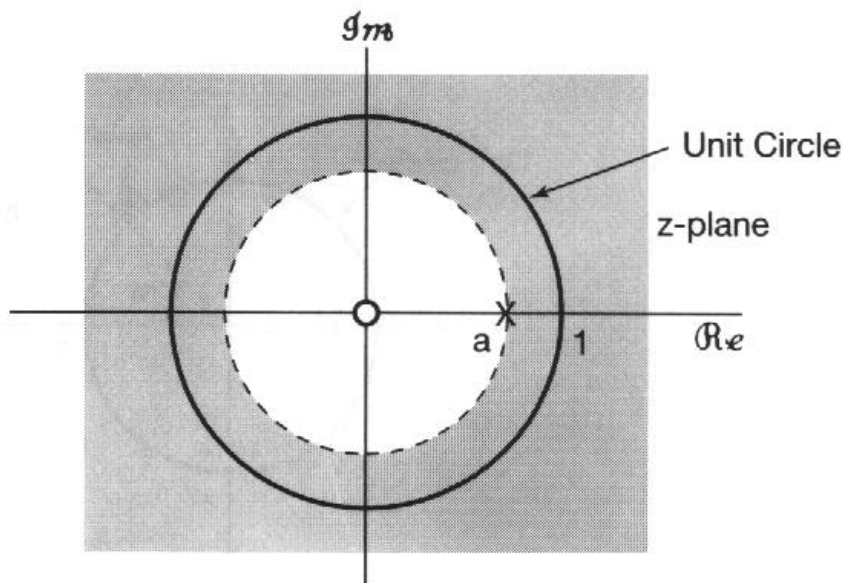
$$x[n] = a^n u[n]$$

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a^n u[n] z^{-n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (az^{-1})^n = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} = \frac{z}{z - a}, \quad |z| > |a|$$



Region of Convergence (ROC)

$$|az^{-1}| < 1$$



Pole-zero plot and region of convergence for $0 < a < 1$

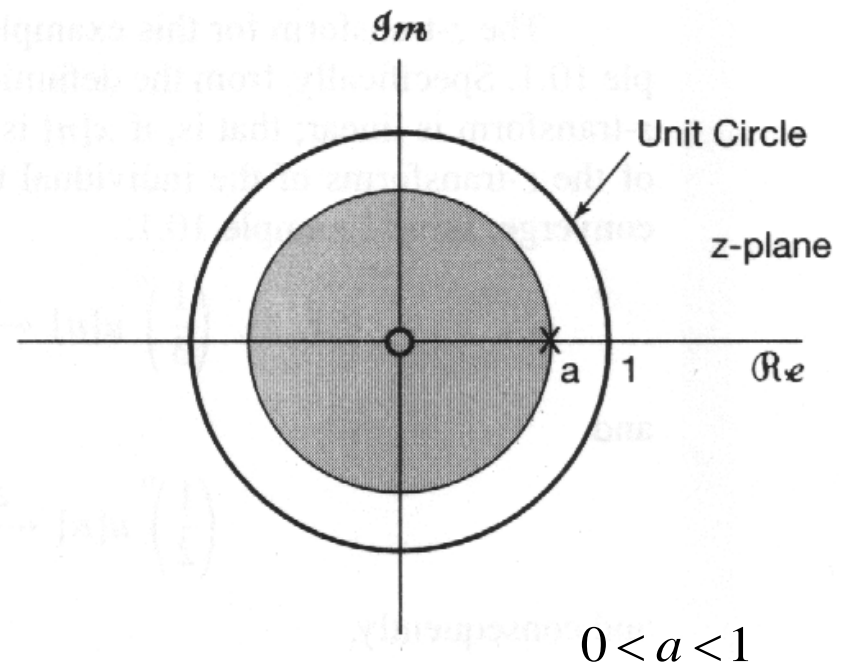
Ex.10.2) $x[n] = -a^n u[-n-1]$

$$X(z) = - \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} a^n u[-n-1] z^{-n} = - \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} a^n z^{-n}$$

$$= - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a^{-n} z^n = 1 - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a^{-1} z)^n$$

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

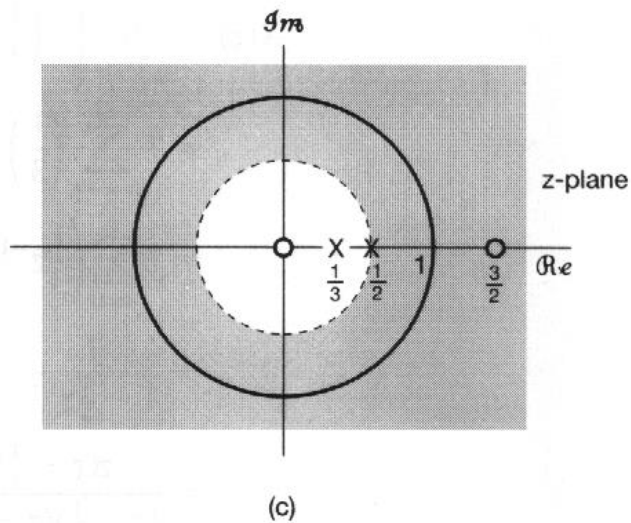
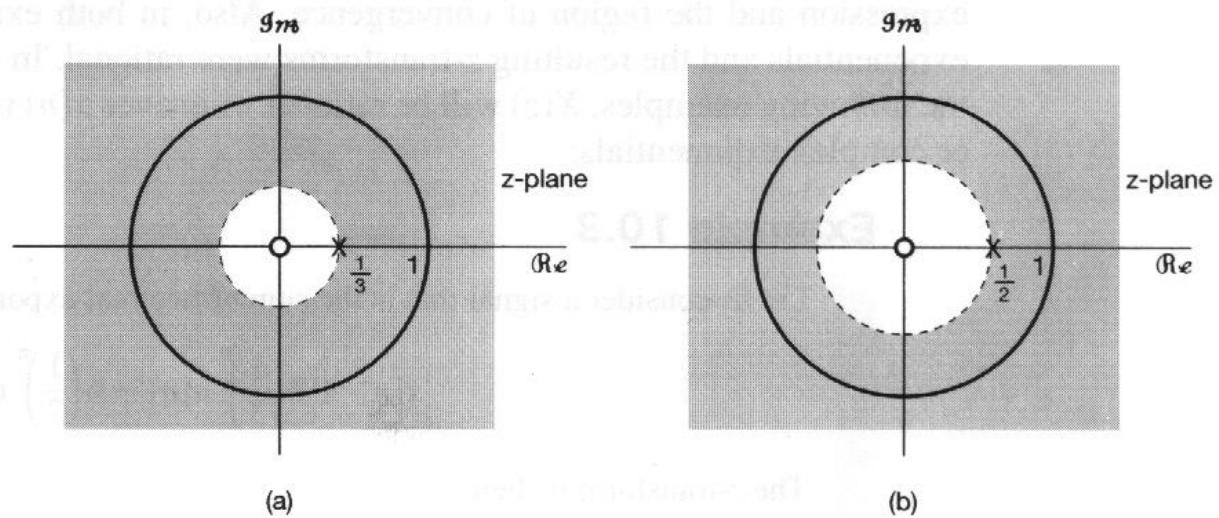
$$= \frac{1}{1 - a z^{-1}} = \frac{z}{z - a}, \quad |z| > |a|$$



Ex. 10.3) $x[n] = 7\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n] - 6\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X(z) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left\{ 7\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n] - 6\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] \right\} z^{-n} \\
 &= 7 \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n] z^{-n} - 6 \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] z^{-n} \\
 &= 7 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right)^n - 6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)^n \\
 &= \frac{7}{1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}} - \frac{6}{1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}} = \frac{1 - \frac{3}{2} z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{3} z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2} z^{-1}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{z(z - \frac{3}{2})}{(z - \frac{1}{3})(z - \frac{1}{2})}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ROC? } \left| \frac{1}{3} z^{-1} \right| < 1 \quad & \& \quad \left| \frac{1}{2} z^{-1} \right| < 1 \\
 |z| > \frac{1}{3} \quad & \& \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ex. 10.4)} \quad x[n] &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}n\right) u[n] \\ &= \frac{1}{2j} \left(\frac{1}{3} e^{j\pi/4}\right)^n u[n] - \frac{1}{2j} \left(\frac{1}{3} e^{-j\pi/4}\right)^n u[n]\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}X(z) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{2j} \left(\frac{1}{3} e^{j\pi/4}\right)^n u[n] - \frac{1}{2j} \left(\frac{1}{3} e^{-j\pi/4}\right)^n u[n] \right\} z^{-n} \\ &= \frac{1}{2j} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3} e^{j\pi/4} z^{-1}\right)^n - \frac{1}{2j} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3} e^{-j\pi/4} z^{-1}\right)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{2j} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3} e^{j\pi/4} z^{-1}} - \frac{1}{2j} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3} e^{-j\pi/4} z^{-1}}\end{aligned}$$

ROC = ?

$$X(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} z}{\left(z - \frac{1}{3} e^{j\pi/4}\right) \left(z - \frac{1}{3} e^{-j\pi/4}\right)}$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{3} e^{j\pi/4} z^{-1} \right| < 1 \quad \& \quad \left| \frac{1}{3} e^{-j\pi/4} z^{-1} \right| < 1$$

$$\therefore |z| > \frac{1}{3}$$

10.2 The Region of Convergence for the z-Transform

Property 1 : The ROC of $X(z)$ consists of a ring in the z -plane centered about the origin.

$$z = re^{j\omega} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} |x[n]| r^{-n} < \infty \quad (\text{Fig.10.6})$$

Property 2 : The ROC does not contain any poles.

why ? $X(z)$ is infinite at a pole

Property 3 : If $x[n]$ is of finite duration, then the ROC is the entire z -plane, except possibly $z=0$ and/or $z=\infty$.

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=N_1}^{N_2} x[n] z^{-n},$$

case1) $N_1 : -, N_2 : + \quad z = 0 \text{ or } z = \infty \notin ROC$

case2) $N_1 \geq 0 \quad z = \infty \subset ROC$

case3) $N_2 \leq 0 \quad z = 0 \subset ROC$

Ex.) : finite sequence $\{1,2,3\}$

$$X(z) = 1 + 2z^{-1} + 3z^{-2}$$

ROC : entire complex plane except for $z = 0$.

$$X(z) = z + 2 + 3z^{-1}$$

ROC : entire z -plane except for $z = 0$ and $z = \infty$.

$$X(z) = z^4 + 2z^3 + 3z^2$$

ROC : entire z -plane except for $z = \infty$.

Property 4 : If $x[n]$ is a right-sided sequence, and if the circle $|z|=r_0$ is in the ROC, then all finite values of z for which $|z|>r_0$ will also be in the ROC.

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=N_1}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n} \quad (N_1 : \text{positive or negative or } 0)$$

$|z|=r_1$ with $r_1 > r_0 \Rightarrow x[n]r_1^{-n}$ is abs. summable if $x[n]r_0^{-n}$ is also for $N_1 \leq n < \infty$.

Property 5 : If $x[n]$ is a left-sided sequence, and if the circle $|z|=r_0$ is in the ROC, then all values of z for which $0 < |z| < r_0$ will also be in the ROC.

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{N_2} x[n]z^{-n} \quad (N_2 : \text{positive or negative or } 0)$$

$|z|=r_2$ with $r_2 < r_0 \Rightarrow x[n]r_2^{-n}$ is abs. summable if $x[n]r_0^{-n}$ is also for $-\infty < n \leq N_2$.

Property 6 : If $x[n]$ is two sided, and if the circle $|z|=r_0$ is in the ROC, then the ROC will consist of a ring in the z -plane that includes the circle $|z|=r_0$

refer to Fig.10.8, p.752

Ex. 10.7) $x[n] = b^{|n|}$, $b > 0$ (Fig.10.10, p753)

$$= b^n u[n] + b^{-n} u[-n-1]$$

$$b^n u[n] \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{1 - bz^{-1}}, |z| > b$$

$$b^{-n} u[-n-1] \xleftrightarrow{z} \frac{-1}{1 - b^{-1}z^{-1}}, |z| < \frac{1}{b}$$

ROC \Rightarrow Fig.10.11(a) – (d) (p.755)

For $b > 1$, (a), (b) \Rightarrow no common ROC

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } b < 1, \text{ (c), (d)} \quad X(z) &= \frac{1}{1 - bz^{-1}} - \frac{1}{1 - b^{-1}z^{-1}}, b < |z| < \frac{1}{b} \\ &= \frac{b^2 - 1}{b} \frac{z}{(z - b)(z - b^{-1})}, b < |z| < \frac{1}{b} \end{aligned}$$

(ROC : Fig. 10.11(e) at p.755)

Property 7 : If the z -transform $X(z)$ of $x[n]$ is rational,
then its ROC is bounded by poles or extends to infinity

Property 8 : $X(z)$: rational, $x[n]$: right sided
 \Rightarrow ROC : the region in the z -plane outside the outermost pole.

Note) if $x[n]$ is causal, ROC ? includes $z = \infty$

Property 9 : $X(z)$: rational, $x[n]$: left sided
 \Rightarrow ROC : the region in the z -plane inside the innermost nonzero pole.

Note) if $x[n]$ is anticausal, ROC ? includes $z = 0$

10.3 The Inverse z-Transform

$$X(re^{j\omega}) = \mathcal{F}\{x[n]r^{-n}\} \Leftrightarrow x[n]r^{-n} = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{X(re^{j\omega})\}$$

$$x[n] = r^n \mathcal{F}^{-1}[X(re^{j\omega})] = r^n \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(re^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(re^{j\omega}) (re^{j\omega})^n d\omega$$

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \oint X(z) z^{n-1} dz$$

$$z = re^{j\omega}$$

$$dz = jre^{j\omega} d\omega = jz d\omega$$

$$\therefore d\omega = (1/j) z^{-1} dz$$

From the Residue theorem

$$x[n] = \text{Res}\{X(z)z^{n-1}\}$$

\oint : integration around a counter clockwise closed circular contour centered at the origin and with radius r

- Alternative method for the inverse z -transform
: partial-fraction expansion

Ex. 10.9 - 11)

$$X(z) = \frac{3 - \frac{5}{6}z^{-1}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}\right)}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{3}$$

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}} + \frac{2}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z^{-1}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n] + 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[n]$$

$$\text{ROC : } (1/4) < |z| < (1/3) \Rightarrow x[n] = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n] - 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[-n-1]$$

$$\text{ROC : } |z| < (1/4) \Rightarrow x[n] = -\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[-n-1] - 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n u[-n-1]$$

- Another procedure for the inverse z -transform
: power-series expansion of $X(z)$

Ex. 10.12)

$$X(z) = 4z^2 + 2 + 3z^{-1}, \quad 0 < |z| < \infty$$

$$x[n] = 4\delta[n+2] + 2\delta[n] + 3\delta[n-1]$$

Ex. 10.13)

$$\begin{aligned} X(z) &= \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}, \quad |z| > |a| \\ &= 1 + az^{-1} + a^2 z^{-2} + \dots \quad (\text{by long division}) \\ \therefore x[n] &= a^n u[n] \end{aligned}$$

If $|z| < |a|$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} &= \frac{1}{(-az^{-1})(1 - a^{-1}z)} = (-a^{-1}z)(1 + a^{-1}z + (a^{-1}z)^2 + \dots) \\ &= -a^{-1}z - a^{-2}z^2 - \dots \\ \therefore x[n] &= -a^n u[-n-1] \end{aligned}$$

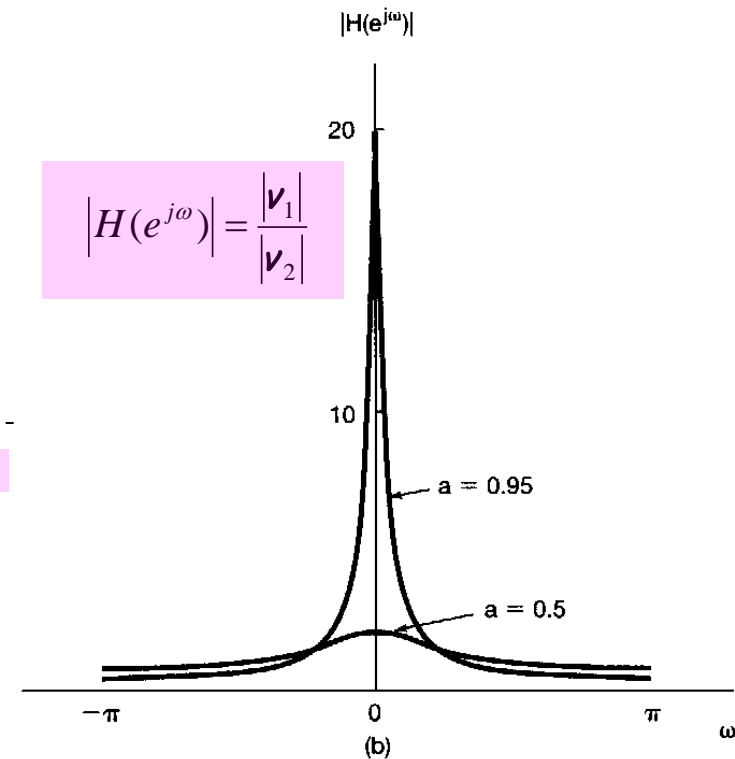
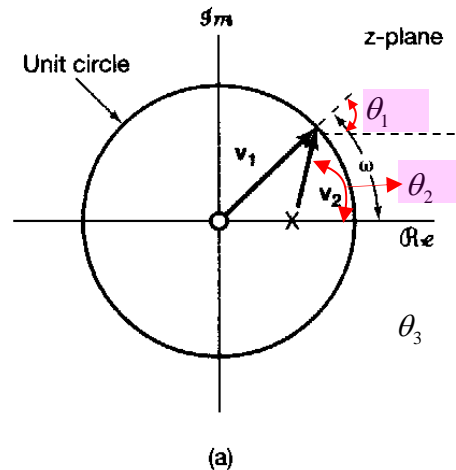
10.4 Geometric Evaluation of the Fourier Transform From the Pole-Zero Plot

10.4.1 First-Order Systems

$$h[n] = a^n u[n]$$

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}} = \frac{z}{z - a} \quad |z| > |a|$$

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}}$$



$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = \frac{|v_1|}{|v_2|}$$

$$\angle H(e^{j\omega}) = \theta_1 - \theta_2$$

(Fig. 10.13, p. 764)

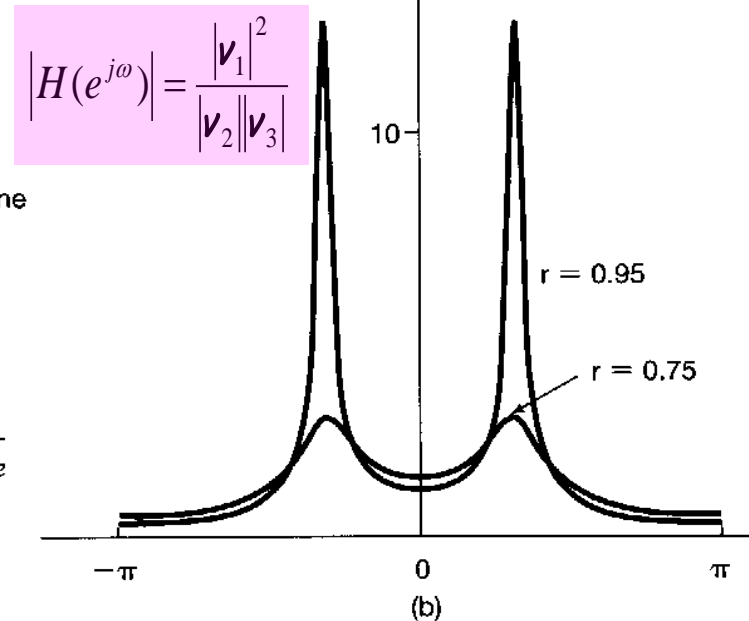
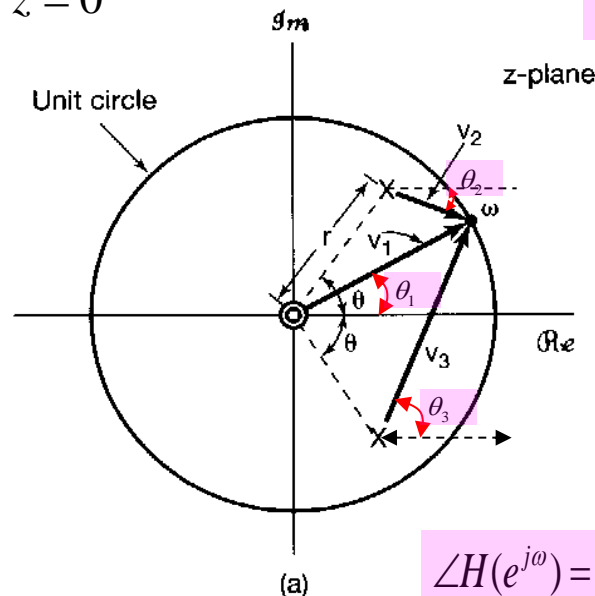
10.4.2 Second-Order Systems

$$h[n] = r^n \frac{\sin(n+1)\theta}{\sin \theta} u[n] \quad \& \quad H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{1 - 2r \cos \theta e^{-j\omega} + r^2 e^{-j2\omega}}$$

$$(0 < r < 1 \quad \& \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi)$$

$$\Rightarrow H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - (2r \cos \theta)z^{-1} + r^2 z^{-2}}$$

- Pole locations : $z_1 = re^{j\theta}, z_2 = re^{-j\theta}$
- zero: double zeros at $z = 0$



$$\angle H(e^{j\omega}) = 2\theta_1 - (\theta_2 + \theta_3) \quad (\text{Fig. 10.14, p. 766})$$