# 1.5.4 ZT AND LINEAR, CONSTANT COEFFICIENT DIFFERENCE EQUATIONS

• From the convolution property, we obtain a characterization for all LTI systems



- impulse response: y(n) = h(n) \* x(n)
- transfer function: Y(z) = H(z) X(z)

• An important class of LTI systems are those characterized by linear, constant coefficient difference equations

$$y(n) = \sum\limits_{k=0}^{M} \, a_k \, \, x(n-k) - \sum\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} \, b_\ell \, \, y(n-\ell)$$

- $\begin{array}{c} \ \, \text{nonrecursive} \\ N = 0 \\ \text{always finite impulse response (FIR)} \end{array}$
- $\begin{array}{c} \ \ \mathrm{recursive} \\ \mathrm{N} > 0 \\ \mathrm{usually\ infinite\ impulse\ response\ (IIR)} \end{array}$

• Take ZT of both sides of equation

$$y(n) = \sum\limits_{k=0}^{M} \, a_k \, \, x(n-k) - \sum\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} \, b_\ell \, \, y(n-\ell)$$

$$Y(z) = \sum\limits_{k=0}^{M} \, a_k \, \, z^{-k} \, \, X(z) - \sum\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} \, b_\ell \, \, z^{-\ell} \, \, Y(z)$$

$$H(z) = rac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = rac{\sum\limits_{k=0}^{M} a_k \ z^{-k}}{1 + \sum\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} b_\ell \ z^{-\ell}}$$

 $- M \ge N$ 

multiply numerator and denominator by  $z^{M}$ 

$$H(z) = \frac{\sum\limits_{k=0}^{M} a_k \ z^{M-k}}{z^{M-N}[z^N + \sum\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} b_\ell \ z^{N-\ell}]}$$

## -M < N

multiply numerator and denominator by  $\mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{N}}$ 

$$H(z) = \frac{z^{N-M} \sum\limits_{k=0}^{M} a_k \ z^{M-k}}{z^N + \sum\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} b_\ell \ z^{N-\ell}}$$

• By the fundamental theorem of algebra, the numerator and denominator polynomials may always be factored

$$-M \geq N$$

$$H(z) = rac{\prod\limits_{k=1}^{M} \left(z-z_k
ight)}{z^{M-N} \prod\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} \left(z-p_{\ell}
ight)}$$

-M < N

$$H(z) = \frac{z^{N-M} \prod\limits_{k=1}^{M} (z-z_k)}{\prod\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} (z-p_\ell)}$$

- Roots of the numerator and denominator polynomials
  - zeros  $z_1,...,z_M$
  - poles  $p_1,...,p_N$

- If  $M \ge N$ , have M N additional poles at  $|z| = \infty$
- If M < N, have N M additional zeros at z = 0
- The poles and zeros play an important role in determining system behavior.

#### Example

$$y(n) = x(n) + x(n - 1) - \frac{1}{2} y(n - 2)$$

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

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

$$H(z) = \frac{z(z+1)}{z^2 + 1/2}$$

$$= \frac{z(z+1)}{(z-j/\sqrt{2})(z+j/\sqrt{2})}$$
zeros:  $z_1 = 0$   $z_2 = -1$ 
poles:  $p_1 = j/\sqrt{2}$   $p_2 = -j/\sqrt{2}$ 

## Effect of Poles and Zeros on Frequency Response

Frequency response  $H(e^{j\omega})$ 

$$h(n) \overset{DTFT}{\longleftrightarrow} H_{DTFT}(e^{j\omega}) = H(e^{j\omega})$$
 $L_{DTFT}(e^{j\omega}) = H_{ZT}(z)$ 
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Let 
$$z = e^{j\omega}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(e^{j\omega}) = H_{ZT}(e^{j\omega})$$

## Assume M < N

$$\begin{split} H(z) &= \frac{z^{N-M} \prod\limits_{k=1}^{M} \left(z-z_k\right)}{\prod\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} \left(z-p_\ell\right)} \\ H(e^{j\omega}) &= \frac{e^{j\omega(N-M)} \prod\limits_{k=1}^{M} \left(e^{j\omega}-z_k\right)}{\prod\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} \left(e^{j\omega}-p_\ell\right)} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{aligned} | \ H(e^{j\omega}) \ | \ &= \frac{\prod\limits_{k=1}^{M} \ | \ e^{j\omega} - z_k \ |}{\prod\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} \ | \ e^{j\omega} - p_{\ell} \ |} \\ \angle \ H(e^{j\omega}) = \omega(N-M) + \sum\limits_{k=1}^{M} \underline{/e^{j\omega} - z_k} \\ &- \sum\limits_{\ell=1}^{N} \underline{/e^{j\omega} - p_{\ell}} \end{aligned}$$

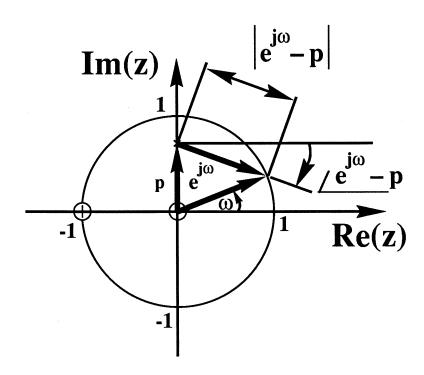
#### Example

$$H(z) = \frac{z(z+1)}{(z-j/\sqrt{2})(z+j/\sqrt{2})}$$

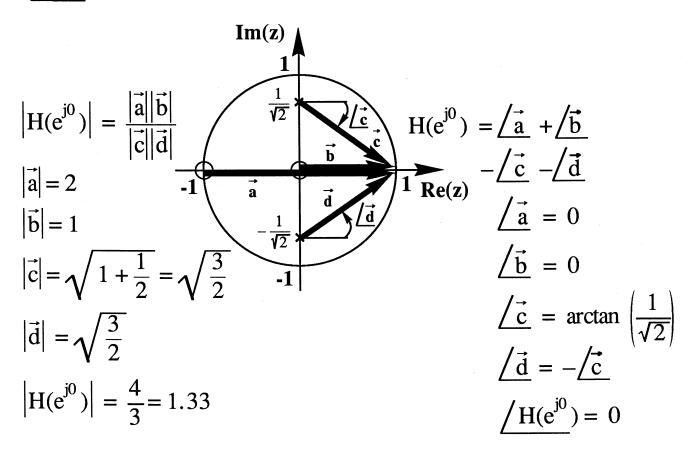
$$|\mathrm{H}(\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{j}\omega})| = rac{|\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{j}\omega}+1|}{|\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{j}\omega}-\mathrm{j}/\sqrt{2}| |\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{j}\omega}+\mathrm{j}/\sqrt{2}|}$$

$$\angle H(e^{j\omega}) = \omega + \underline{/e^{j\omega} + 1} - \underline{/e^{j\omega} - j/\sqrt{2}}$$
$$-\underline{/e^{j\omega} + j/\sqrt{2}}$$

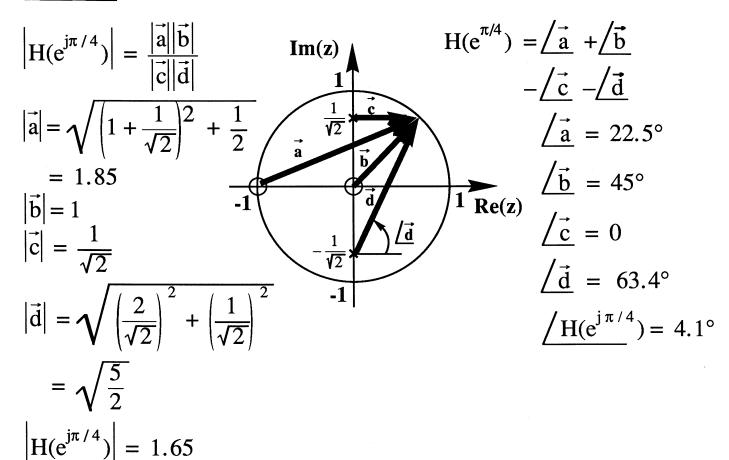
# Contribution from a single pole



 $\omega = 0$ 



## $\omega = \pi/4$



# $\omega = \pi/2$

$$\left| H(e^{j\pi/2}) \right| = \frac{\left| \vec{a} \right| \left| \vec{b} \right|}{\left| \vec{c} \right| \left| \vec{d} \right|}$$

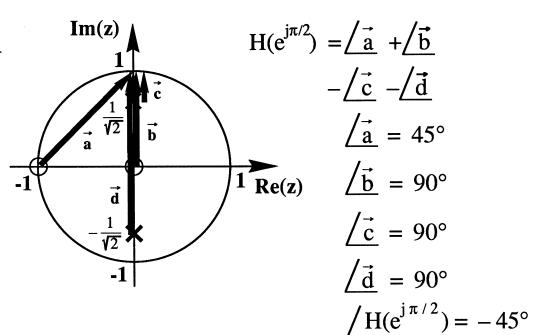
$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{2}$$

$$|\vec{\mathbf{b}}| = 1$$

$$\left| \vec{c} \right| = 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\left| \vec{\mathbf{d}} \right| = 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\left| H(e^{j\pi/2}) \right| = 2.83$$



#### General Rules

- A pole near the unit circle will cause the frequency response to increase in the neighborhood of that pole.
- A zero near the unit circle will cause the frequency response to decrease in the neighborhood of that zero.