

What modes are present in the output when an input is applied?

Let $X(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$. Assume, for illustrative purposes, only simple poles are present in $X(z)$. Then,

$$X(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)} = \sum_{k=1}^Q \frac{A_k}{1 - \xi_k z^{-1}} \leftrightarrow \sum_{k=1}^Q A_k (\xi_k)^n u[n]$$

(assuming causality)

$(\xi_k)^n u[n]$ are called as the *input modes*.

$$\text{Similarly, let } H(z) = \frac{B(z)}{A(z)} = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{B_k}{1 - p_k z^{-1}} \leftrightarrow \sum_{k=1}^N B_k (p_k)^n u[n]$$

(again assuming causality)

$(p_k)^n u[n]$ are called as the *natural modes* (also called *system modes*)

$$X(z) \rightarrow \boxed{H(z)} \rightarrow Y(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)} \frac{B(z)}{A(z)}$$

$$= \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_\ell}{1 - \xi_\ell z^{-1}} + \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{D_k}{1 - p_k z^{-1}}$$

Hence, assuming causality,

$$y[n] = \underbrace{\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} C_l (\xi_l)^n u[n]}_{\text{input modes}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^N D_k (\phi_k)^n u[n]}_{\text{natural modes}}$$

The output consists of input modes and natural modes.

Input modes are the particular solution

Natural modes are the homogeneous solution

Similar arguments apply for CT systems governed by LCCDE

$$Y(s) = \frac{P(s)}{Q(s)} \cdot \frac{B(s)}{A(s)} \leftrightarrow y(t) = \text{input modes} + \text{natural modes}$$



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

$$x[n] = b^n u[n] \quad b \neq a$$

$$Y(z) = X(z) H(z)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-a\bar{z}^{-1}} \frac{1}{1-b\bar{z}^{-1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a-b} \left[\frac{a}{1-a\bar{z}^{-1}} - \frac{b}{1-b\bar{z}^{-1}} \right]$$

$$\longleftrightarrow \frac{a}{a-b} a^n u[n] - \frac{b}{a-b} b^n u[n]$$

natural mode 

 input mode

If $x[n] = a^n u[n]$, $y[n] = (n+1)a^n u[n]$  RESONANCE !