

Convolution of Two Sequences:

The convolution of two functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ is defined as,

$$f(n) * g(n) = \sum_{r=0}^n f(r) g(n-r)$$

Convolution Theorem:

If $Z[f(n)] = F(z)$ and $Z[g(n)] = G(z)$,
then $Z[f(n) * g(n)] = F(z) \cdot G(z)$

$$\Rightarrow Z^{-1}[F(z) \cdot G(z)] = f(n) * g(n)$$

Note:

$$1]. \sum_{r=0}^n a^r = a^n (n+1)$$

$$2]. 1+a+a^2+\dots+a^n = \frac{a^{n+1}-1}{a-1} \quad \text{if } a \neq 1$$
$$= \frac{1-a^{n+1}}{1-a} \quad \text{if } a < 1.$$

Problems on Convolution:

1]. Find the z -transform of $f(n) * g(n)$ where $f(n) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$ and $g(n) = \cos n\pi$ using convolution theorem.

Soln.:

By convolution theorem,

$$Z[f(n) * g(n)] = Z[f(n)] \cdot Z[g(n)] \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } Z[f(n)] &= Z\left[\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n\right] \\ &= \frac{z}{z - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2z}{2z - 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } Z[g(n)] &= Z[\cos n\pi] \\ &= Z[(1)^n] \\ &= \frac{z}{z - (-1)} \\ &= \frac{z}{z + 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \Rightarrow Z[f(n) * g(n)] &= \frac{2z}{2z - 1} \cdot \left(\frac{z}{z + 1}\right) \\ &= \frac{2z^2}{(2z - 1)(z + 1)} \end{aligned}$$

2]. Use convolution, find $Z^{-1}\left[\frac{z^2}{(z-a)^2}\right]$

Soln.:

$$Z^{-1}\left[\frac{z^2}{(z-a)^2}\right] = Z^{-1}\left[\frac{z}{z-a} \cdot \frac{z}{z-a}\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-a} \right] * z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-a} \right] \text{ By convolution theorem} \\
&= a^n * a^n \\
&= \sum_{r=0}^n a^r * a^{n-r} \quad [\text{By defn. of convolution}] \\
&= \sum_{r=0}^n a^n \\
&= (n+1) a^n
\end{aligned}$$

Q. Using convolution theorem, find

$$z^{-1} \left[\frac{z^2}{(z-1)(z-3)} \right]$$

Soln.:

$$z^{-1} \left[\frac{z^2}{(z-1)(z-3)} \right] = z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-1} \cdot \frac{z}{z-3} \right]$$

$$= z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-1} \right] * z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-3} \right]$$

$$= 1^n * 3^n$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^n (1)^r \cdot 3^{n-r}$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^n 3^{n-r}$$

$$= 3^n + 3^{n-1} + 3^{n-2} + \dots + 3^0$$

$$= 1 + 3 + \dots + 3^{n-2} + 3^{n-1} + 3^n$$

$$= \frac{3^{n+1} - 1}{3 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{3^{n+1} - 1}{2}$$

3]. Using convolution theorem, find

$$\mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left[\frac{z^2}{(z-4)(z-3)} \right]$$

Soln:

$$\mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left[\frac{z^2}{(z-4)(z-3)} \right] = \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-4} \cdot \frac{z}{z-3} \right]$$

$$= \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-4} \right] * \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-3} \right]$$

$$= 4^n * 3^n$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^n 4^r 3^{n-r}$$

$$r=0$$

$$= 3^n \sum_{r=0}^n 4^r 3^{-r} = 3^n \sum_{r=0}^n \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^r$$

$$= 3^n \left[1 + \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^1 + \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^n \right]$$

$$= 3^n \left[\frac{\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{n+1} - 1}{\frac{4}{3} - 1} \right]$$

$$= 3^n \cdot \frac{3}{1} \left[\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{n+1} - 1 \right]$$

$$= 3^{n+1} \left[\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{n+1} - 1 \right] = 3^{n+1} \left[\frac{4^{n+1} - 3^{n+1}}{3^{n+1}} \right]$$

$$= 4^{n+1} - 3^{n+1}$$

4]. Use convolution theorem, find

$$\mathcal{Z}^{-1} \left[\frac{8z^2}{(2z-1)(4z+1)} \right]$$

Soln.:

$$z^{-1} \left[\frac{8z^2}{2(z - \frac{1}{2})4(z + \frac{1}{4})} \right] = z^{-1} \left[\frac{z^2}{(z - \frac{1}{2})(z + \frac{1}{4})} \right]$$

$$= z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z - \frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{z}{z + \frac{1}{4}} \right]$$

$$= z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z - \frac{1}{2}} \right] * z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z + \frac{1}{4}} \right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n * \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^r \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^{n-r}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \sum_{r=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^r \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-r}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \sum_{r=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^r (-4)^r$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \sum_{r=0}^n \left[4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^r\right] = \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \sum_{r=0}^n (2)^r$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \left[1 + (-2) + (-2)^2 + \dots + (-2)^n\right]$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \left[\frac{1 - (-2)^{n+1}}{1 - (-2)} \right]$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \left[\frac{1 - (-2)^{n+1}}{3} \right]$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \left[\frac{1 + 2(-2)^n}{3} \right]$$

5]. Using convolution, find

$$z^{-1} \left[\frac{z^2}{(z-a)(z-b)} \right]$$

Soln.:

$$z^{-1} \left[\frac{z^2}{(z-a)(z-b)} \right] = z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-a} \right] * z^{-1} \left[\frac{z}{z-b} \right]$$

$$= a^n * b^n$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma=0}^n a^{\sigma} b^{n-\sigma}$$

$$= b^n \sum_{\sigma=0}^n \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^{\sigma}$$

$$= b^n \left[1 + \left(\frac{a}{b} \right) + \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^n \right]$$

$$= b^n \left[\frac{\left(\frac{a}{b} \right)^{n+1} - 1}{\frac{a}{b} - 1} \right]$$

$$= b^n \left[\frac{\frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{b^{n+1}}}{\frac{a-b}{b}} \right]$$

$$= b^n \left[\frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{b^{n+1}} \times \frac{b}{a-b} \right]$$

$$= b^n \left[\frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{b^n (a-b)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{a-b}$$

HW 1]. $z^{-1} \left[\frac{14z^2}{(z-1)(2z-1)} \right]$

2]. $z^{-1} \left[\frac{z^2}{(z+a)^2} \right]$