

Derive the DTFT of the unit sequence (unit step)

$$X[n] = u[n]$$

by making use of the accumulation property and the knowledge that $g[n] = \delta[n] \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} G(e^{j\omega}) = 1$

From chapter 2 we know that the unit sequence is the running sum of the unit impulse, that is

$$X[n] = \sum_{m=-\infty}^n g[m]$$

Taking the DTFT of both sides and using accumulation yields

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \underbrace{\frac{G(e^{j\omega})}{1 - e^{-j\omega}}}_{1} + \pi G(e^{j0}) \delta_{2\pi}(\omega)$$

$$\boxed{= \frac{1}{1 - e^{-j\omega}} + \pi \delta_{2\pi}(\omega)} \quad \leftarrow \text{verify in table 11.1}$$

