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ECE 101 - Fall 2020

*Linear Systems Fundamentals*

MIDTERM EXAM

Instructions

- Open Canvas website, no electronics for problem solving.
- Tables 3.1 and 3.2 from the textbook are attached to the exam.
- No collaboration or external help of any kind, either in person or via web, phone, or any other device, is allowed. You may be asked to explain your answers over a Zoom call when the exam is graded.
- Time allowed: 2.5 consecutive hours (from 5pm PST Thursday to 11:59pm PST Friday)
- Write your solutions in the applicable space in the exam. **Justify your answers.** If extra pages are needed to show all of your work, use the scratch pages at the end of the exam and submit them.
- Upload your solutions via Gradescope

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Student ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

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**Your signature confirms that you have completed this exam on your own and in accordance with the Academic Integrity Agreement.**

| Problem | Weight  | Score |
|---------|---------|-------|
| 1       | 16 pts  |       |
| 2       | 24 pts  |       |
| 3       | 30 pts  |       |
| 4       | 30 pts  |       |
| Total   | 100 pts |       |

**Good luck!**

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**Problem 1 (16 points: 2 parts, 8 points each)**

(a) (8 pts)

Let  $x(t) = t(u(t) - u(t - 1))$ . Define  $y(t) = x((-3t) - 2)$ .

Describe how to obtain  $y(t)$  from  $x(t)$  by the following rules:

**Approach 1:**

First shift  $x(t)$  by  $b = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

( $b > 0$  means shift right by  $b < 0$  means shift left by  $|b|$ )

Then (circle one) **stretch** or **compress** the signal by  $a = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

( $a < 0$  means flip;  $|a| \geq 1$  is the stretch or compress factor)

**or**

**Approach 2:**

First (circle one) **stretch** or **compress** the signal by  $c = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

( $c < 0$  means flip;  $|c| \geq 1$  is the stretch or compress factor)

Then shift  $x(t)$  by  $d = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

( $d > 0$  means shift right by  $d < 0$  means shift left by  $|d|$ )

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**Problem 1 (cont.)**

(b) (8 pts) Let  $x(t) = t(u(t) - u(t - 1))$ . Define  $y(t) = x((-3t) - 2)$ .

Sketch precisely  $y(t)$ .

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**Problem 2 (24 points: 3 parts, 8 points each)**

Let  $x[n] = e^{j\frac{\pi}{3}(n-1)} + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[n - 6k]$ .

(a) (8 pts)

Determine the fundamental period of  $x[n]$ .

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**Problem 2 (cont.)**

Let  $x[n] = e^{j\frac{\pi}{3}(n-1)} + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[n - 6k]$ .

(b) (8 pts)

Determine if  $x[n]$  is even, odd, or neither.

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**Problem 2 (cont.**

Let  $x[n] = e^{j\frac{\pi}{3}(n-1)} + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[n - 6k]$ .

(c) (8 pts)

Determine the discrete-time Fourier series (DTFS) coefficients of  $x[n]$ .

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**Problem 3 (30 points: 3 parts, 10 points each)**

Consider the discrete-time linear time-invariant (LTI) system  $S$  with impulse response

$$h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} u[n-1].$$

(a) (10 pts)

Determine the step response  $s[n]$  of the system  $S$ , and sketch  $s[n]$  precisely in the interval  $-3 \leq n \leq 3$ .

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**Problem 3 (cont.)**

Consider the discrete-time linear time-invariant (LTI) system  $S$  with impulse response

$$h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} u[n-1].$$

(b) (10 pts)

Indicate whether the system  $S$  satisfies each listed property.

**Justify your answers with *specific* reference to the system  $S$ .**

**True   False**

☐   ☐   Memoryless

☐   ☐   Causal

☐   ☐   Stable



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**Problem 3 (cont.)**

Consider the discrete-time linear time-invariant (LTI) system  $S$  with impulse response

$$h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} u[n-1].$$

(c) (10 pts)

The system  $S$  is invertible. Determine the impulse response  $g[n]$  of the inverse system.

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**Problem 4 (30 points: 3 parts, 10 points each)**

The signal  $x[n] = 1 + \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}n) \sin(\frac{\pi}{3}n)$  is passed through the discrete-time filter whose frequency response is given by:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \begin{cases} 1, & |\omega| \leq \frac{2\pi}{3} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(a) (10 pts)

Determine the discrete-time Fourier series (DTFS) of the signal  $x[n]$ .

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**Problem 4 (cont.)**

The signal  $x[n] = 1 + \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}n) \sin(\frac{\pi}{3}n)$  is passed through the discrete-time filter whose frequency response is given by:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \begin{cases} 1, & |\omega| \leq \frac{2\pi}{3} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(b) (10 pts)

Determine the output signal  $y[n]$  produced by the input signal  $x[n]$ . Write it in a form that does not involve complex exponential signals.

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**Problem 4 (cont.)**

The signal  $x[n] = 1 + \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}n) \sin(\frac{\pi}{3}n)$  is passed through the discrete-time filter whose frequency response is given by:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \begin{cases} 1, & |\omega| \leq \frac{2\pi}{3} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(c) (10 pts)

Let  $b_k$  denote the DTFS of the output signal  $y[n]$ . Determine the value of  $b_{11}$ ,  $b_{18}$ , and  $b_{52}$  (not the rock band) . Express your answers numerically, as well as in terms of  $b_0, b_1, \dots, b_N$  where  $N$  is the fundamental period of  $y[n]$ .

**TABLE 3.1** PROPERTIES OF CONTINUOUS-TIME FOURIER SERIES

| Property  | Section | Periodic Signal  | Fourier Series Coefficients  |
|---|---------|--|--|
|   |         | $\left. \begin{array}{l} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Periodic with period } T \text{ and} \\ \text{fundamental frequency } \omega_0 = 2\pi/T \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l} a_k \\ b_k \end{array}$  |
| Linearity   | 3.5.1   | $Ax(t) + By(t)$  | $Aa_k + Bb_k$  |
| Time Shifting   | 3.5.2   | $x(t - t_0)$   | $a_k e^{-jk\omega_0 t_0} = a_k e^{-jk(2\pi/T)t_0}$   |
| Frequency Shifting  |         | $e^{jM\omega_0 t} = e^{jM(2\pi/T)t} x(t)$  | $a_{k-M}$  |
| Conjugation   | 3.5.6   | $x^*(t)$   | $a_{-k}^*$   |
| Time Reversal   | 3.5.3   | $x(-t)$  | $a_{-k}$   |
| Time Scaling  | 3.5.4   | $x(\alpha t), \alpha > 0$ (periodic with period $T/\alpha$ )   | $a_k$  |
| Periodic Convolution  |         | $\int_T x(\tau)y(t - \tau)d\tau$   | $Ta_k b_k$   |
| Multiplication  | 3.5.5   | $x(t)y(t)$   | $\sum_{l=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_l b_{k-l}$   |
| Differentiation   |         | $\frac{dx(t)}{dt}$   | $jk\omega_0 a_k = jk \frac{2\pi}{T} a_k$   |
| Integration   |         | $\int_{-\infty}^t x(\tau) d\tau$ (finite valued and periodic only if $a_0 = 0$ )   | $\left(\frac{1}{jk\omega_0}\right)a_k = \left(\frac{1}{jk(2\pi/T)}\right)a_k$  |
| Conjugate Symmetry for Real Signals                                   | 3.5.6   | $x(t)$ real  | $\begin{cases} a_k = a_{-k}^* \\ \Re\{a_k\} = \Re\{a_{-k}\} \\ \Im\{a_k\} = -\Im\{a_{-k}\} \\  a_k  =  a_{-k}  \\ \angle a_k = -\angle a_{-k} \end{cases}$ |
| Real and Even Signals   | 3.5.6   | $x(t)$ real and even   | $a_k$ real and even  |
| Real and Odd Signals  | 3.5.6   | $x(t)$ real and odd  | $a_k$ purely imaginary and odd   |
| Even-Odd Decomposition of Real Signals                                |         | $\begin{cases} x_e(t) = \mathcal{E}\{x(t)\} & [x(t) \text{ real}] \\ x_o(t) = \mathcal{O}\{x(t)\} & [x(t) \text{ real}] \end{cases}$   | $\begin{cases} \Re\{a_k\} \\ j\Im\{a_k\} \end{cases}$  |
| Parseval's Relation for Periodic Signals                              |         |  |  |
| $\frac{1}{T} \int_T  x(t) ^2 dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty}  a_k ^2$ |         |  |  |

**TABLE 3.2** PROPERTIES OF DISCRETE-TIME FOURIER SERIES

| Property   | Periodic Signal  | Fourier Series Coefficients  |
|--|--|--|
|  | $\left. \begin{array}{l} x[n] \\ y[n] \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Periodic with period } N \text{ and} \\ \text{fundamental frequency } \omega_0 = 2\pi/N \end{array}$ | $\left. \begin{array}{l} a_k \\ b_k \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Periodic with} \\ \text{period } N \end{array}$                            |
| Linearity  | $Ax[n] + By[n]$  | $Aa_k + Bb_k$  |
| Time Shifting  | $x[n - n_0]$   | $a_k e^{-jk(2\pi/N)n_0}$   |
| Frequency Shifting   | $e^{jM(2\pi/N)n} x[n]$   | $a_{k-M}$  |
| Conjugation  | $x^*[n]$   | $a_{-k}^*$   |
| Time Reversal  | $x[-n]$  | $a_{-k}$   |
| Time Scaling   | $x_{(m)}[n] = \begin{cases} x[n/m], & \text{if } n \text{ is a multiple of } m \\ 0, & \text{if } n \text{ is not a multiple of } m \end{cases}$<br>(periodic with period $mN$ )       | $\frac{1}{m} a_k$ (viewed as periodic<br>with period $mN$ )  |
| Periodic Convolution   | $\sum_{r=\langle N \rangle} x[r]y[n-r]$  | $Na_k b_k$   |
| Multiplication   | $x[n]y[n]$   | $\sum_{l=\langle N \rangle} a_l b_{k-l}$   |
| First Difference   | $x[n] - x[n-1]$  | $(1 - e^{-jk(2\pi/N)})a_k$   |
| Running Sum  | $\sum_{k=-\infty}^n x[k] \begin{cases} \text{finite valued and periodic only} \\ \text{if } a_0 = 0 \end{cases}$   | $\left( \frac{1}{(1 - e^{-jk(2\pi/N)})} \right) a_k$   |
| Conjugate Symmetry for Real Signals  | $x[n]$ real  | $\begin{cases} a_k = a_{-k}^* \\ \Re\{a_k\} = \Re\{a_{-k}\} \\ \Im\{a_k\} = -\Im\{a_{-k}\} \\  a_k  =  a_{-k}  \\ \angle a_k = -\angle a_{-k} \end{cases}$ |
| Real and Even Signals  | $x[n]$ real and even   | $a_k$ real and even  |
| Real and Odd Signals   | $x[n]$ real and odd  | $a_k$ purely imaginary and odd   |
| Even-Odd Decomposition of Real Signals   | $\begin{cases} x_e[n] = \mathcal{E}\{x[n]\} & [x[n] \text{ real}] \\ x_o[n] = \mathcal{O}\{x[n]\} & [x[n] \text{ real}] \end{cases}$   | $\begin{cases} \Re\{a_k\} \\ j\Im\{a_k\} \end{cases}$  |
| Parseval's Relation for Periodic Signals   |  |  |
| $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle}  x[n] ^2 = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle}  a_k ^2$ |  |  |