

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO  
Electrical & Computer Engineering Department  
ECE 101 - Fall 2022  
*Linear Systems Fundamentals*

**MIDTERM EXAM**

**You are allowed one 2-sided sheet of notes.**

**No books, no other notes, no calculators.**

PRINT YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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Problem	Weight	Score
1	32 pts	
2	32 pts	
3	36 pts	
Total	100 pts	

**Please do not begin until told.**

**Show your work.**

**Use back of previous page and attached scratch sheets as needed.**

**Useful facts and Tables 3.1 and 3.2 from the textbook are attached to the exam.**

**Good luck!**

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**Problem 1 [DT Signals] (32 points)**

- (a) Let  $x[n] = u[n+1] - 2u[n-1] + u[n-2]$ , where  $u[n]$  is the unit step signal.
- (i) Represent  $x[n]$  mathematically as a linear combination of time-shifted unit impulse signals.  
Sketch  $x[n]$  precisely.
  - (ii) Let  $y[n] = x[n] * u[n]$ . Represent  $y[n]$  mathematically as a linear combination of time-shifted unit impulse signals.  
Sketch  $y[n]$  precisely.
- (b) Let  $x[n] = \delta[n] - \delta[n-1]$ .
- (i) Let  $\mathcal{E}v\{x[n]\}$  be the even part of  $x[n]$ .  
Represent  $\mathcal{E}v\{x[n]\}$  mathematically as a linear combination of time-shifted unit impulse signals.  
Sketch  $\mathcal{E}v\{x[n]\}$  precisely.
  - (ii) Let  $\mathcal{O}dd\{x[n]\}$  be the odd part of  $x[n]$ .  
Represent  $\mathcal{O}dd\{x[n]\}$  mathematically as a linear combination of time-shifted unit impulse signals.  
Sketch  $\mathcal{O}dd\{x[n]\}$  precisely.

**Write your answers on the following pages.**

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**Problem 1 [DT Signals](cont.)**

(a) Let  $x[n]=u[n+1]-2u[n-1]+u[n-2]$ , where  $u[n]$  is the unit step signal.

(i) (8 points)

Represent  $x[n]$  mathematically as a linear combination of time-shifted unit impulse signals. Sketch  $x[n]$  precisely.

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**Problem 1 [DT Signals](cont.)**

(a) Let  $x[n] = u[n+1] - 2u[n-1] + u[n-2]$ , where  $u[n]$  is the unit step signal.

(ii) (8 points)

Let  $y[n] = x[n] * u[n]$ .

Represent  $y[n]$  mathematically as a linear combination of time-shifted unit impulse signals. Sketch  $y[n]$  precisely.

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**Problem 1 [DT Signals] (cont.)**

(b) Let  $x[n] = \delta[n] - \delta[n - 1]$ .

(i) (8 points)

Let  $\mathcal{E}v\{x[n]\}$  be the even part of  $x[n]$ . Represent  $\mathcal{E}v\{x[n]\}$  mathematically as a linear combination of time-shifted unit impulse signals. Sketch  $\mathcal{E}v\{x[n]\}$  precisely.

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**Problem 1 [DT Signals] (cont.)**

(b) Let  $x[n] = \delta[n] - \delta[n - 1]$ .

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Let  $\mathcal{O}dd\{x[n]\}$  be the odd part of  $x[n]$ . Represent  $\mathcal{O}dd\{x[n]\}$  mathematically as a linear combination of time-shifted unit impulse signals. Sketch  $\mathcal{O}dd\{x[n]\}$  precisely.

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**Problem 2 [DT Systems] (32 points)**

Let  $S$  be the DT system with the property that the output signal  $y[n]$  produced by the input signal  $x[n]$  is given by:

$$y[n] = x[-n + 1].$$

- (a) Check the appropriate box indicating whether or not the system  $S$  satisfies the specified property.

**Justify your answers by either proving that the property holds for the system, or giving a specific counterexample to prove that it does not.**

True	False	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Causal
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Invertible
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stable
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Linear
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Time-invariant

- (b) Determine and sketch precisely the impulse response  $h[n]$  of system  $S$ . Describe in words the action of the system  $S$  on the input signal  $x[n]$ .
- (c) Let  $S_1$  be the **LTI system** that has the same impulse response as  $S$ .

Check the appropriate box indicating whether or not the system  $S_1$  satisfies the specified property.

**Justify your answers by reference to the impulse response.**

True	False	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Causal
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Invertible
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stable

Describe in words the action of the system  $S_1$  on the input signal  $x[n]$ .

**Write your answers on the following pages.**

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**Problem 2 [DT Systems] cont.)**

Let  $S$  be the DT system with the property that the output signal  $y[n]$  produced by the input signal  $x[n]$  is given by:  $y[n] = x[-n + 1]$ .

(a) (15 points)

Check the appropriate boxes for the system  $S$ . **Justify your answers.**

**True   False**

☐   ☐   Causal

☐   ☐   Invertible

☐   ☐   Stable

☐   ☐   Linear

☐   ☐   Time-invariant



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**Problem 2 [DT Systems] (cont.)**

Let  $S$  be the DT system with the property that the output signal  $y[n]$  produced by the input signal  $x[n]$  is given by:  $y[n] = x[-n + 1]$ .

(b) (5 points)

Determine and sketch precisely the impulse response  $h[n]$  of system  $S$ .  
Describe in words the action of the system  $S$  on the input signal  $x[n]$ .

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**Problem 2 [DT Systems] (cont.)**

Let  $S$  be the DT system with the property that the output signal  $y[n]$  produced by the input signal  $x[n]$  is given by:  $y[n] = x[-n + 1]$ .

(c) (12 points)

Let  $S_1$  be the **LTI system**  $S_1$  that has the same impulse response as  $S$ .

Check the appropriate boxes for the system  $S_1$ .

**Justify your answers by reference to the impulse response.**

**True   False**

☐   ☐   Invertible

☐   ☐   Causal

☐   ☐   Stable

Describe in words the action of the system  $S_1$  on the input signal  $x[n]$ .

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**Problem 3 [DTFS and DT LTI Systems] (36 points)**

Let  $x[n]$  be a periodic DT signal with fundamental period  $N = 4$ . You are given the following information about the DTFS coefficients of  $x[n]$ :

$$a_0 = 0, \quad a_1 = 1, \quad a_2 = 1, \quad a_3 = 0.$$

- (a) **Referring to Table 3.2** (Properties of DTFS), answer the following questions. **Justify your answers.**
- (i) Is  $x[n]$  an even signal?
  - (ii) Is  $x[n]$  a real signal?
  - (iii) What is the average power  $\frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^3 |x[n]|^2$  in one period of  $x[n]$ ?
- (b) Write one period of the signal  $x[n]$ :  $x[0]$ ,  $x[1]$ ,  $x[2]$ ,  $x[3]$ .  
Express the values as complex numbers in rectangular form.
- (c) A DT LTI system  $S$  has impulse response  $h[n] = \delta[n] + \delta[n - 1]$ .
- (i) Determine the transfer function  $H(z)$  and the frequency response  $H(e^{j\omega})$  of  $S$ .
  - (ii) Determine and sketch precisely the phase  $\angle H(e^{j\omega})$  and gain  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$  over the frequency interval  $[0, 2\pi]$ . Express both of them in the simplest mathematical form that you can, using only linear and sinusoidal functions of  $\omega$ .
  - (iii) When the input to system  $S$  is the signal  $x[n]$  above, determine the DTFS of the output signal  $y[n]$ .
  - (iv) Determine one period of  $y[n]$ :  $y[0]$ ,  $y[1]$ ,  $y[2]$ ,  $y[3]$ . Express the values as complex numbers in rectangular form.

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(a) **Referring to Table 3.2** (Properties of DTFS), answer the following questions. **Justify your answers.**

(i) (4 points)

Is  $x[n]$  an even signal?

(ii) (4 points)

Is  $x[n]$  a real signal?

(iii) (4 points)

What is the average power  $\frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^3 |x[n]|^2$  in one period of  $x[n]$ ?

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(b) (4 points)

Write one period of the signal  $x[n]$ :  $x[0]$ ,  $x[1]$ ,  $x[2]$ ,  $x[3]$ .

Express the values as complex numbers in rectangular form.

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**Problem 3 [DTFS and DT LTI Systems] (cont.)**

(c) A DT LTI system  $S$  has impulse response  $h[n] = \delta[n] + \delta[n - 1]$ .

(i) (4 points)

Determine the transfer function  $H(z)$  and the frequency response  $H(e^{j\omega})$  of  $S$ .

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**Problem 3 [DTFS and DT LTI Systems] (cont.)**

(c) A DT LTI system  $S$  has impulse response  $h[n] = \delta[n] + \delta[n - 1]$ .

(ii) (8 points)

Determine and sketch precisely the phase  $\angle H(e^{j\omega})$  and gain  $|H(e^{j\omega})|$  over the frequency interval  $[0, 2\pi]$ . Express both of them in the simplest mathematical form that you can, using only linear and sinusoidal functions of  $\omega$ .

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When the input to system  $S$  is the signal  $x[n]$  above, determine the DTFS of the output signal  $y[n]$ .



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(iv) (4 points)

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Express the values as complex numbers in rectangular form.

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