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**Venue: RDS - Simmons Court**

**Time: 14.00 – 16.00**

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**Instructions to Candidates:**

Answer THREE questions. All questions carry equal marks.

**Materials permitted for this examination:**

Mathematical Tables are available from the invigilators, if required.

Non-programmable calculators are permitted for this examination.

Please indicate the make and model of your calculator on each answer book used.

- Q.1** (a) A discrete-time filter has a unit sample response,  $h[n]$ , that is zero for  $n < 0$  and for  $n > N - 1$ . Let  $H(e^{j\Omega})$  denote the frequency response of the filter.

If  $h[n] = h[N - 1 - n]$  and  $N$  is odd, show that

$$H(e^{j\Omega}) = e^{-j\Omega[(N-1)/2]} \left\{ h\left[\frac{N-1}{2}\right] + \sum_{n=0}^{[(N-1)/2]-1} 2h[n] \cos\left[\Omega\left(n - \frac{N-1}{2}\right)\right] \right\}$$

[8 marks]

- (b) An ideal discrete-time high-pass filter has a frequency response,  $H_{id}(e^{j\Omega})$ , given by

$$H_{id}(e^{j\Omega}) = \begin{cases} 0, & |\Omega| < \frac{\pi}{3}, \\ 1, & \frac{\pi}{3} < |\Omega| < \pi. \end{cases}$$

Obtain an expression for the unit-sample response of this filter.

[7 marks]

- (c) A 9-point Hamming window,  $w_H[n]$ , is given by

$$w_H[n] = \begin{cases} 0.54 + 0.46 \cos\left(\frac{\pi n}{4}\right), & -4 \leq n \leq 4, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Using the Hamming window, design a causal, 9-point, generalised linear phase filter that approximates the magnitude response of the ideal high-pass filter in part (b).

[5 marks]

**Q.2** (a) Show that the bilinear transformation,  $s = (1 - z^{-1})/(1 + z^{-1})$ , has the following properties:

(i) The imaginary axis in the  $s$ -plane maps to the unit circle in the  $z$ -plane.

[4 marks]

(ii) The left half of the  $s$ -plane maps to the inside of the unit circle in the  $z$ -plane.

[4 marks]

(b) A discrete-time low-pass filter with frequency response,  $H(e^{j\Omega})$ , is to be designed to meet the following specifications:

$$0.89 \leq |H(e^{j\Omega})| \leq 1, \quad |\Omega| \leq 0.2\pi,$$

$$|H(e^{j\Omega})| \leq 0.18, \quad 0.6\pi \leq |\Omega| \leq \pi$$

The filter is to be designed by applying the bilinear transformation to the transfer function of an appropriate Butterworth continuous-time filter.

Verify that a second order filter is sufficient to meet the specifications.

Determine the transfer function,  $H(z)$ , of the discrete-time filter.

Note that the transfer function of a second order Butterworth low-pass prototype filter is

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + \sqrt{2}s + 1}$$

[12 marks]

- Q.3** (a) A continuous-time filter has an impulse response  $h_a(t)$ . The unit-sample response of a discrete-time filter,  $h[n]$ , is given by

$$h[n] = T h_a(nT)$$

where  $T$  is a positive constant. Let  $H_a(j\omega)$  and  $H(e^{j\Omega})$  denote the frequency response of the continuous-time filter and the frequency response of the discrete-time filter respectively. Starting from first principles, show that

$$H(e^{j\Omega}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} H_a\left(j\left(\frac{\Omega}{T} - \frac{2\pi k}{T}\right)\right).$$

[12 marks]

- (b) The sequence  $x[n]$  is zero for  $n < 0$  and for  $n > N - 1$ . Assume that  $N = 2^M$ , where  $M$  is a positive integer. Let  $g[n] = x[2n]$ , and  $h[n] = x[2n + 1]$ . Show that the  $N$ -point discrete Fourier transform (DFT) of the sequence  $x[n]$  can be obtained by appropriately combining the  $N/2$ -point DFTs of the sequences  $g[n]$  and  $h[n]$ .

[8 marks]

- Q.4** (a) Let  $x[n]$  denote a finite-duration sequence of length  $M$  such that  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n < 0$  and  $n \geq M$ . Let  $X(e^{j\Omega})$  denote the discrete-time Fourier transform of  $x[n]$ . If we sample  $X(e^{j\Omega})$  at  $\Omega = (2\pi/N)k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$ , we obtain

$$X_1[k] = X(e^{j2\pi k/N}), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1.$$

The number of samples,  $N$ , is *less than* the duration of the sequence,  $M$ ; i.e.  $N < M$ . The sequence  $x_1[n]$  is obtained as the inverse DFT of  $X_1[k]$ . Determine the relation between  $x_1[n]$  and  $x[n]$ .

[12 marks]

- (b) Consider two finite length sequences,  $x[n]$  and  $h[n]$ , where both are zero for  $n < 0$  and where

$$x[n] = 0, \quad n \geq 16$$

$$h[n] = 0, \quad n \geq 4.$$

The 16-point DFTs of the two sequences are multiplied and the inverse DFT computed. Let  $r[n]$  denote this inverse DFT.

The sequence  $y[n]$  is obtained by linearly convolving  $x[n]$  and  $h[n]$ .

Specify the values of  $n$  for which  $r[n]$  is guaranteed to be equal to  $y[n]$ .

[3 marks]

- (c) A 10,000 point sequence is to be linearly convolved with a sequence that is 80 points long. The convolution is to be implemented using DFTs and inverse DFTs of length 512. If the overlap-add method is used, what is the minimum number of 512-point DFTs and the minimum number of 512-point inverse DFTs needed to implement the convolution for the entire 10,000 point sequence?

[5 marks]

- Q.5** (a) Consider a stable, linear, shift-invariant system with unit-sample response  $h[n]$ . Let  $x[n]$  be a real input sequence that is a sample sequence of a wide-sense stationary discrete-time random process. Let  $y[n]$  denote the output sequence. Show that the input and output autocorrelation sequences,  $\phi_{XX}[m]$  and  $\phi_{YY}[m]$ , respectively, are related by

$$\phi_{YY}[m] = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} v[l] \phi_{XX}[m-l],$$

where

$$v[l] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k] h[l+k].$$

**[8 marks]**

- (b) Let  $x[n]$  be a real white-noise sequence with zero mean and autocorrelation sequence  $\phi_{XX}[m] = \sigma_X^2 \delta[m]$ , where  $\delta[m]$  is the unit-sample sequence. The sequence  $x[n]$  is the input to a linear shift-invariant system with unit-sample response  $h[n] = a^n u[n]$ , where  $|a| < 1$  and  $u[n]$  is the unit-step sequence.

- (i) Find an expression for the output autocorrelation sequence,  $\phi_{YY}[m]$ .

**[4 marks]**

- (ii) Express the power spectral density,  $S_{YY}(\Omega)$ , of the output process in terms of the magnitude of the frequency response of the system.

**[6 marks]**

- (iii) Determine the mean,  $m_Y$ , and the variance,  $\sigma_Y^2$ , of the output process.

**[2 marks]**