

Assignment 5: System Characterization via z-Transform

1. Transfer Function from Difference Equation

Consider the LTI system:

$$y[n] - 1.1 y[n-1] + 0.3 y[n-2] = x[n] + 0.5 x[n-1].$$

- (a) Derive the system transfer function $H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)}$.

- (b) Express $H(z)$ as

$$H(z) = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2}},$$

and list the coefficients $\{b_k\}$ and $\{a_k\}$ explicitly.

2. Pole-Zero Analysis and Stability

- Find the poles and zeros of $H(z)$.
- Sketch (or describe) the pole-zero plot in the complex z -plane.
- Based on the pole locations, determine if the system is BIBO stable. Justify your answer.
- State whether the system is FIR or IIR and explain why.

3. Python – Frequency Response Plot

- Using Python (e.g. `scipy.signal.freqz`), compute and plot the magnitude and phase of $H(e^{j\omega})$ for $0 \leq \omega \leq \pi$.
- Mark the DC gain and the magnitude at $\omega = \pi$. Identify any resonant peaks or notches.
- Explain how the pole-zero locations from Q2 are reflected in the frequency response characteristics observed in the plot.