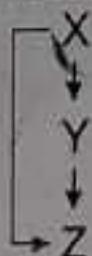


**Systems Thinking – Quiz 2 (Monsoon 2025)**

**Time: 40 min**

1. If the regulator Y in coherent FFLs is positively auto-regulated. How does this affect the dynamics of the circuit, assuming that it has an OR input function at the Z promoter? Consider both an ON step and an OFF step. Draw and explain [3 marks]

Coherent type 1



2. What is the temporal order of turn ON and turn OFF in a multi-output coherent FFL where all genes are regulated by AND gates? Which thresholds determine the ON and OFF orders? [3 marks]
3. What is the minimum pulse duration (time) of X that is required to activate Z in the cascade: [3 marks]

X -----| Y -----| Z

4. What are the different ways by which proteins are controlled inside the cell? Explain the difference in the response time [3 marks]