

Assignment - 1

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Abstract—This document contains the solution to Exercise 3.36 (a) of Oppenheim.

Problem 1. If the input $x[n]$ to an LTI System is $x[n] = u[n]$, The output is

$$y[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} u[n+1] \quad (1)$$

Find $H(z)$, the z -transform of the system impulse response, and determine whether it is casual or not

Solution: We know that,

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} \quad (2)$$

$$X(z) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}} \quad |z| > 1 \quad (3)$$

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} y(n)z^{-n} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} u(n+1)z^{-n} \quad (4)$$

$$= z \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} u(n)z^{-n} \quad (5)$$

$$= z \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} z^{-n} \quad (6)$$

$$= z \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} \quad (7)$$

Therefore,

$$Y(z) = \frac{1}{4(z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2} \quad (8)$$

Thus,

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{4(z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - z^{-1})} \quad |z| > 1 \quad (9)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{4z}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} - \frac{4}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})} \quad |z| > 1 \quad (10)$$

$$y[n] = 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1} u[n+1] - 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] \quad (11)$$

$h[n]$ starts at $n=-1$ which implies it is not casual