

1. (a) Consider the causal transfer function:

$$H_M(z) = \frac{B(z)}{A(z)} = \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{M-1} b[n]z^{-n}}{\sum_{n=0}^{M-1} a[n]z^{-n}}, M > 0$$

where  $b[n] = a^*[M - n]$ . The above transfer function is an allpass filter.

- (i) Show that the phase of  $H_M(e^{j\omega})$  is  $\angle H_M(e^{j\omega}) = -\omega M - 2\angle A(e^{j\omega})$ , where  $\angle A(e^{j\omega})$  is the phase of the polynomial  $A(e^{j\omega})$ . [3]
- (ii) Consider a causal, real, stable, allpass transfer function  $H(z)$  given as:

$$H(z) = \frac{-pz^{-q} + z^{-1-q}}{1 - pz^{-1}}$$

Sketch the pole-zero plot of  $H(z)$  if  $p = 0.5$ , where  $q$  is a positive integer. [3]

- (iii) Determine the phase response of  $H(z)$  as a function of the pole  $p$  and the parameter  $q$  using the result from part (a)(i) above. [3]

- (b) Consider a second-order all-pass filter with a transfer function:

$$H(z) = \frac{a_2 + a_1z^{-1} + a_0z^{-2}}{a_0 + a_1z^{-1} + a_2z^{-2}}$$

Suppose that  $a_0 = 1$ ,  $a_1 = -3a/4$  and  $a_2 = a^2/8$  where  $a$  is a real parameter.

- (i) Determine the condition on  $a$  for the filter to be stable. [2]
- (ii) Find the phase response of  $H(z)$  as a function of the poles of  $H(z)$ . [3]
- (iii) Calculate the phase introduced by this filter at  $\omega = 0$  and  $\omega = \pi$ . [2]

- (c) The average group delay of an IIR stable system is  $n - m$  where  $n$  is the number of poles and  $m$  is the number of zeros of the system located inside the unit circle.

- (i) Demonstrate that the factors  $(z - q)$  and  $(q^*z - 1)$  have the same amplitude response. Use this result to show that inverting a zero originally located inside the unit circle to a position outside the unit circle increases the group delay by 1. Here,  $q$  is a complex number and  $q^*$  represents its complex conjugate. [3]
- (ii) Using the conclusion from part c(i) above, identify which filter, among all filters with the same amplitude response, achieves the minimum group delay. Such a filter is referred to as a minimum-phase filter. [3]
- (iii) Explain why linear-phase filters cannot be categorized as minimum-phase filters. [3]

2. (a) (i) Demonstrate that antisymmetric linear-phase Finite Impulse Response (FIR) filters of order  $N$  with a transfer function  $H(z)$  (**Type 4**), satisfy the Antimirror Image Polynomial relationship (AIP) given below:

$$H(z) = -z^{-(N-1)}H(z^{-1}) \quad [4]$$

- (ii) Investigate the types of filters (e.g., low-pass, high-pass) that can be implemented using **Type 4** linear-phase Finite Impulse Response (FIR) transfer functions. [4]
- (iii) Prove that a Type 4 linear-phase Finite Impulse Response (FIR) transfer function,  $H(z)$ , can be represented in the following form:

$$H(z) = \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} h[n](z^{-n} - z^{n-N+1}) \right) \quad [4]$$

- (b) Let  $H(z)$  represent the transfer function of a real-coefficient, linear-phase FIR filter. The filter has zeros located at specific points in the  $z$  -plane, with a subset of these zeros given as:

$$\left\{ 1, 0.5e^{j\frac{\pi}{6}}, -\frac{1}{5}, j \right\}$$

- (i) Since the zeros of a linear-phase FIR filter must exist in particular configurations, we deduce that the filter  $H(z)$  must include additional zeros beyond those provided. Determine the additional zeros of  $H(z)$  for each possible type of linear-phase FIR filter with the minimum allowable length. [6]
- (ii) What is the filter type of the minimum length? [3]
- (iii) Sketch the zero diagram of the filter identified in (ii) above on the  $z$ -plane. [4]

3. (a) The bilinear transformation from the  $s$  -plane to the  $z$  -plane is given by

$$z = \frac{1 + \frac{T}{2}s}{1 - \frac{T}{2}s}$$

Here,  $T$  is the sampling period of the signal.

- (i) Illustrate, using mathematical relationships, how the bilinear transformation and its inverse map each point  $s = \sigma + j\Omega$  in the  $s$  -plane to a corresponding point  $z = re^{j\omega}$  in the  $z$  -plane, and vice versa. [3]
- (ii) Prove that the relationship between continuous-time angular frequency  $\Omega$  and discrete-time angular frequency  $\omega$  under the bilinear transformation is generally non-linear. Additionally, demonstrate that this mapping becomes approximately linear at low frequencies.  
[Hint: Use the small-angle approximation for the tangent function,  $\tan(x) \approx x$  when  $x \rightarrow 0$ ]. [3]

- (b) The transfer function of an ideal analogue integrator is given by:

$$H_a(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

A digital integrator can be derived from an analogue integrator by applying the bilinear transformation.

- (i) Determine the amplitude and phase response of the analogue integrator and provide a rough sketch to illustrate the results. [3]
- (ii) Derive the input-output relationship for the digital integrator in the time domain. For simplicity use  $T = 2$  for the sampling period. [3]
- (iii) Estimate the frequency response of the digital integrator. [3]
- (iv) Create a rough sketch of the amplitude and phase responses of the digital integrator. [3]
- (v) Compare the amplitude and phase responses of the analogue and digital integrators, with a focus on demonstrating that the amplitude responses are more closely aligned at low frequencies compared to high frequencies. [3]
- (vi) Demonstrate that the pole of the digital integrator, located on the unit circle, causes its response to become unbounded for inputs with a DC component. Use the input signal  $x[n] = u[n]$ , where  $u[n]$  is the unit step function, to illustrate this behaviour. [4]

4. (a) Examine the multirate configuration illustrated in **Figure 4.1** below. In this setup,  $H_0(z), H_1(z), H_2(z)$  and  $H_3(z)$  are filters, each possessing ideal, zero-phase characteristics and real coefficients. Their corresponding frequency responses are outlined as follows:

$$H_0(e^{j\omega}) = u(\omega) - u(\omega - \frac{\pi}{6})$$

$$H_1(e^{j\omega}) = u(\omega - \frac{\pi}{6}) - u(\omega - \frac{\pi}{2})$$

$$H_2(e^{j\omega}) = u(\omega - \frac{\pi}{2}) - u(\omega - \frac{5\pi}{6})$$

$$H_3(e^{j\omega}) = u(\omega - \frac{5\pi}{6}) - u(\omega - \pi)$$

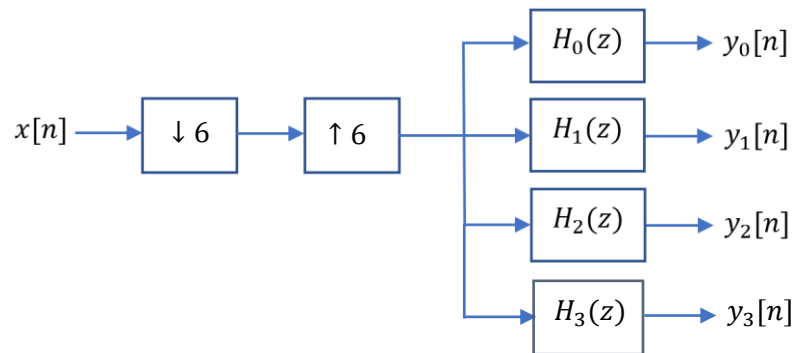
The function  $u(\omega)$  is the unit step function, defined as

$$u(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & \omega \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

If the input is a real sequence with a Discrete Time Fourier Transform

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = (\frac{\pi}{6} - \frac{6\omega^2}{\pi}) \left( u(\omega) - u(\omega - \frac{\pi}{6}) \right)$$

sketch the Discrete Time Fourier Transform of the outputs  $y_0[n], y_1[n], y_2[n]$  and  $y_3[n]$ . It's important to note that all frequency domain representations mentioned are limited to the range  $[0, \pi]$ . [15]



**Figure 4.1**

- (b) Analyse the structure of **Figure 4.2** below and determine its input-output relations. [10]



**Figure 4.2**