
LINEAR SYSTEMS CONTROL
Solutions to Problems

Problem 3.4

- a. The resolvent of the discrete time system is:

$$\mathbf{x}(k+1) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{8} & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(k) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(k) = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x}(k) + \mathbf{G} u(k)$$

$$\mathbf{y}(k) = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{8} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}(k), \quad x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u(k) = 1$$

$$x_1(k+1) = x_2(k)$$

$$x_2(k+1) = -\frac{1}{8}x_1(k) + \frac{3}{4}x_2(k) + u(k)$$

$$y(k) = -\frac{1}{8}x_1(k) - \frac{1}{4}x_2(k)$$

$$\underline{y(0) = 0}$$

$$x_1(1) = 0, \quad x_2(1) = 1, \quad \underline{y(1) = -\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$x_1(2) = 1, \quad x_2(2) = 0 + \frac{3}{4} + 1 = \frac{7}{4},$$

$$\underline{y(2) = -\frac{1}{8} \cdot 1 - \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{7}{4} = -\frac{9}{16}}$$

- b. The eigenvalues of the system can be computed as:

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ \frac{1}{8} & \lambda - \frac{3}{4} \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - \frac{3}{4}\lambda + \frac{1}{8} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} \end{cases}$$

The natural modes are then:

$$m_i = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k \\ \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^k \end{cases}$$

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The discrete resolvent matrix is:

$$\Psi(z) = (zI - F)^{-1}z = \begin{bmatrix} z & -1 \\ \frac{1}{8} & z - \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} z$$

$$\Rightarrow \Psi(z) = \begin{bmatrix} z \frac{z - \frac{3}{4}}{z^2 - \frac{3}{4}z + \frac{1}{8}} & z \frac{1}{z^2 - \frac{3}{4}z + \frac{1}{8}} \\ z \frac{-\frac{1}{8}}{z^2 - \frac{3}{4}z + \frac{1}{8}} & z \frac{z}{z^2 - \frac{3}{4}z + \frac{1}{8}} \end{bmatrix}$$

c.

$$F^k = Z^{-1} \{ z(zI - F)^{-1} \} = Z^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} z \left(-\frac{1}{z - \frac{1}{2}} + \frac{2}{z - \frac{1}{4}} \right) & z \left(\frac{4}{z - \frac{1}{2}} - \frac{4}{z - \frac{1}{4}} \right) \\ z \left(-\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{z - \frac{1}{2}} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{z - \frac{1}{4}} \right) & z \left(\frac{2}{z - \frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{z - \frac{1}{4}} \right) \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that: $Z\{a^k\} = \frac{z}{z - a}$

$$\Rightarrow F^k = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot \frac{1^k}{4} - \frac{1^k}{2} & 4 \cdot \frac{1^k}{2} - 4 \cdot \frac{1^k}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1^k}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1^k}{2} & 2 \cdot \frac{1^k}{2} - \frac{1^k}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

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d. The transfer function of the system can be determined from:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(z) &= C(zI - F)^{-1}G = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{8} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \Psi(z) \frac{1}{z} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{8} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ z^2 - \frac{3}{4}z + \frac{1}{8} \end{bmatrix}}{\begin{bmatrix} z \\ z^2 - \frac{3}{4}z + \frac{1}{8} \end{bmatrix}} = \frac{-\frac{1}{4}z - \frac{1}{8}}{z^2 - \frac{3}{4}z + \frac{1}{8}}
 \end{aligned}$$

e. The impulse response is: $y(k) = h(k)$ where

$$h(k) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } k = 0 \\ \mathbf{CF}^{k-1}\mathbf{G} & \text{for } k \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{CF}^{k-1}\mathbf{G} &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{8} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}^{k-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{8} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}^{k-1} & -4 \cdot \frac{1}{4}^{k-1} \\ 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}^{k-1} & -\frac{1}{4}^{k-1} \end{bmatrix} = -2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}^k + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{4}^k \\
 \Rightarrow h(k) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } k = 0 \\ -2\frac{1}{2}^k + 3\frac{1}{4}^k & \text{for } k \geq 1 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

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f. From the given initial conditions and input the output can be calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(k) &= \sum_{i=0}^k h(k-i)u(i) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} h(k-i)u(i) + h(k-k)u(k) \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} h(k-i)u(i) + 0 \quad (\text{because } h(k-k) = h(0) = 0) \\
 \Rightarrow y(k) &= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \left(-2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}^{k-i} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{4}^{k-i} \right) \quad \text{for } k \geq 1 \\
 y(1) &= -2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1}{4} \\
 y(2) &= -2 \frac{1^2}{2} + 3 \frac{1^2}{4} - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 3 \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{9}{16}
 \end{aligned}$$

This agrees with the answer in point a.

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