**Aim:** Understand the effect of poles and zeros on the responses of LTI systems, both in the time and frequency domain.

**Task:** Do the following assignment, using Matlab to obtain numerical results as required. Document your work in your practical book, indicating your methodology, theoretical results, numerical results and discussions. Graphs should have labelled axes and correct units indicated. If you struggle with Matlab, remember the help and lookfor functions.

1. Consider the LTI system (filter) with transfer function H(z) given by

$$H(z) = \frac{1 - 2\cos(\theta_1)r_1z^{-1} + r_1^2z^{-2}}{1 - 2\cos(\theta_2)r_2z^{-1} + r_2^2z^{-2}},$$

with the following default parameter values:

$$\theta_1 = 3\pi/4$$
,  $\theta_2 = \pi/4$ ,  $r_1 = 0.95$ ,  $r_2 = 0.95$ .

- (a) Algebraically (i.e. by hand) determine the locations of the poles and zeros of H(z) in terms of  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$ ,  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ . Sketch a pole-zero diagram for the default values. In Matlab you can use the zplane function to accomplish this.
- (b) Keeping the other parameters at their default values, vary  $r_1$  by letting it assume the following five values:  $r_1 = \{0.0, 0.5, 0.8, 1.0, 1.05\}$ .
  - i. Investigate the effect of this variation on both the magnitude and phase responses of the LTI system using Matlab's freqz function. Use linearly scaled axes for frequencies and phases, and decibels  $(20 \log_{10}(|A|))$  for amplitudes. Remember to use log10 and not log in Matlab. The functions abs, angle and unwrap are useful for obtaining amplitudes and phases. NB: Plot more than one graph on a figure using Matlab's subplot function, otherwise you will end up with a lot of paper!
  - ii. Now investigate the effect on the impulse response of the system for the same values of  $r_1$  using Matlab's filter function.
  - iii. Explain your observations in view of the locations of the poles and zeros of H(z).
- (c) Repeat the previous question but now vary  $r_2$  over the same interval and keep  $r_1 = 0.95$ .
- (d) Keeping the other parameters at their default values, vary  $\theta_1$  by letting it assume the following five values:  $\theta_1 = \{0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \pi\}.$ 
  - i. Investigate the effect of this variation on both the magnitude and phase responses of the LTI system using Matlab's freqz function.
  - ii. Now investigate the effect on the impulse response of the system for the same values of  $\theta_1$  using Matlab's filter function.
  - iii. Explain your observations in view of the locations of the poles and zeros of H(z).

- (e) Repeat the previous question but now vary  $\theta_2$  over the same interval and keep  $\theta_1 = 3\pi/4$ .
- (f) Now let  $r_2 = 1.0$ , while the other parameters take on their default values.
  - i. Using Matlab's filter function, determine the output of the system when sinusoids with frequencies  $\omega_1 = 0.22\pi$ ,  $\omega_2 = 0.25\pi$  and  $\omega_3 = 0.27\pi$  are applied to it (separately).
  - ii. Explain your observations in view of the locations of the poles and zeros of H(z).
- 2. Now consider an LTI system with transfer function H(z) given by

$$H(z) = \frac{0.0038 + 0.0001z^{-1} + 0.0051z^{-2} + 0.0001z^{-3} + 0.0038z^{-4}}{1 - 3.2821z^{-1} + 4.2360z^{-2} - 2.5275z^{-3} + 0.5865z^{-4}}.$$

- (a) Determine the system's magnitude and phase response using Matlab's freqz function.
- (b) What type of filter is this system? Verify your answer by filtering a few sinusoids at appropriately chosen frequencies.
- (c) Sketch the pole-zero diagram for this system using Matlab's zplane function. Can you explain the frequency response of the system from this plot? The functions tf2zp, cart2pol and polar are also useful in the analysis of poles and zeros.