Appendix D: Sinusoidal Steady-State Response of Digital Filters

D.1 SINUSOIDAL STEADY-STATE RESPONSE

Analysis of the sinusoidal steady-state response of digital filters will lead to the development of the magnitude and phase responses of digital filters. Let us look at the following digital filter with a digital transfer function H(z) and a complex sinusoidal input

$$x(n) = Ve^{j(\Omega n + \varphi_x)} \tag{D.1}$$

where $\Omega = \omega T$ is the normalized digital frequency, while T is the sampling period and y(n) denotes the digital output, as shown in Figure D.1.

$$X(n) = Ve^{j\Omega n + j\varphi_x}$$

$$X(z)$$

$$Y(n) = y_{ss}(n) + y_{tr}(n)$$

$$Y(z)$$

FIGURE D.1

Steady-state response of the digital filter.

The z-transform output from the digital filter is then given by

$$Y(z) = H(z)X(z) (D.2)$$

Since $X(z) = \frac{Ve^{j\varphi_x}z}{z - e^{j\Omega}}$, we have

$$Y(z) = \frac{Ve^{i\varphi_{x}}z}{z - e^{i\Omega}}H(z)$$
 (D.3)

Based on the partial fraction expansion, Y(z)/z can be expanded to the following form:

$$\frac{Y(z)}{z} = \frac{Ve^{j\varphi_x}}{z - e^{j\Omega}}H(z) = \frac{R}{z - e^{j\Omega}} + \text{sum of the rest of partial fractions}$$
 (D.4)

Multiplying the factor $(z - e^{j\Omega})$ on both sides of Equation (D.4) yields

$$Ve^{j\phi_x}H(z) = R + (z - e^{j\Omega})$$
 (sum of the rest of partial fractions) (D.5)

Substituting $z = e^{j\Omega}$, we get the residue as

$$R = Ve^{j\phi_x}H(e^{j\Omega})$$

Then substituting $R = Ve^{j\phi_x}H(e^{j\Omega})$ back into Equation (D.4) results in

$$\frac{Y(z)}{z} = \frac{Ve^{j\phi_x}H(e^{j\Omega})}{z - e^{j\Omega}} + \text{sum of the rest of partial fractions}$$
 (D.6)

and multiplying z on both sides of Equation (D.6) leads to

$$Y(z) = \frac{Ve^{j\phi_x}H(e^{j\Omega})z}{z - e^{j\Omega}} + z \times \text{sum of the rest of partial fractions}$$
 (D.7)

Taking the inverse z-transform leads to two parts of the solution:

$$y(n) = Ve^{j\phi_x}H(e^{j\Omega})e^{j\Omega n} + Z^{-1}(z \times \text{sum of the rest of partial fractions})$$
 (D.8)

From Equation (D.8), we have the steady-state response

$$y_{ss}(n) = Ve^{j\phi_x}H(e^{j\Omega})e^{j\Omega n}$$
 (D.9)

and the transient response

$$y_{tr}(n) = Z^{-1}(z \times \text{sum of the rest of partial fractions})$$
 (D.10)

Note that since the digital filter is a stable system, and the locations of its poles must be inside the unit circle on the z-plane, the transient response will settle to zero eventually. To develop the filter magnitude and phase responses, we write the digital steady-state response as

$$y_{ss}(n) = V|H(e^{j\Omega})|e^{j\Omega+j\phi_x+\angle H(e^{j\Omega})}$$
(D.11)

Comparing Equation (D.11) and Equation (D.1), it follows that

Magnitude response
$$=\frac{\text{Amplitude of the steady-state output}}{\text{Amplitude of the sinusoidal input}}$$
 $=\frac{V\left|H(e^{j\Omega})\right|}{V}=\left|H(e^{j\Omega})\right|$ (D.12)

Phase response
$$=\frac{e^{j\phi_x+j\angle H(e^{j\Omega})}}{e^{j\phi_x}}=e^{j\angle H(e^{j\Omega})}=\angle H(e^{j\Omega})$$
 (D.13)

Thus we conclude that

Frequency response:
$$H(e^{i\Omega}) = H(z)|_{z=e^{i\Omega}}$$
 (D.14)

Since $H(e^{j\Omega}) = |H(e^{j\Omega})| \angle H(e^{j\Omega})$

Magnitude response:
$$|H(e^{j\Omega})|$$
 (D.15)

Phase response:
$$\angle H(e^{i\Omega})$$
 (D.16)

D.2 Properties of the Sinusoidal Steady-State Response

From Euler's identity and trigonometric identity, we know that

$$e^{j(\Omega+k2\pi)} = \cos(\Omega+k2\pi) + j\sin(\Omega+k2\pi)$$

= $\cos\Omega + j\sin\Omega = e^{j\Omega}$ (D.17)

where k is an integer taking values of $k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \cdots$. Then

Frequency response:
$$H(e^{j\Omega}) = H(e^{j(\Omega + k2\pi)})$$
 (D.18)

Magnitude frequency response:
$$\left|H(e^{j\Omega})\right| = \left|H(e^{j(\Omega+k2\pi)})\right|$$
 (D.19)

Phase response:
$$\angle H(e^{i\Omega}) = \angle H(e^{i\Omega+2k\pi})$$
 (D.20)

Clearly, the frequency response is periodic, with a period of 2π . Next, let us develop the symmetric properties. Since the transfer function is written as

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_M z^{-M}}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_N z^{-N}}$$
(D.21)

substituting $z = e^{j\Omega}$ into Equation (D.21) yields

$$H(e^{j\Omega}) = \frac{b_0 + b_1 e^{-j\Omega} + \dots + b_M e^{-jM\Omega}}{1 + a_1 e^{-j\Omega} + \dots + a_N e^{-jN\Omega}}$$
(D.22)

Using Euler's identity, $e^{-j\Omega} = \cos \Omega - j \sin \Omega$, we have

$$H(e^{j\Omega}) = \frac{(b_0 + b_1 \cos \Omega + \dots + b_M \cos M\Omega) - j(b_1 \sin \Omega + \dots + b_M \sin M\Omega)}{(1 + a_1 \cos \Omega + \dots + a_N \cos N\Omega) - j(a_1 \sin \Omega + \dots + a_N \sin N\Omega)}$$
(D.23)

Similarly,

$$H(e^{-j\Omega}) = \frac{(b_0 + b_1 \cos \Omega + \dots + b_M \cos M\Omega) + j(b_1 \sin \Omega + \dots + b_M \sin M\Omega)}{(1 + a_1 \cos \Omega + \dots + a_N \cos N\Omega) + j(a_1 \sin \Omega + \dots + a_N \sin N\Omega)}$$
(D.24)

Then the magnitude response and phase response can be expressed as

$$\left|H(e^{j\Omega})\right| = \frac{\sqrt{\left(b_0 + b_1 \cos \Omega + \dots + b_M \cos M\Omega\right)^2 + \left(b_1 \sin \Omega + \dots + b_M \sin M\Omega\right)^2}}{\sqrt{\left(1 + a_1 \cos \Omega + \dots + a_N \cos N\Omega\right)^2 + \left(a_1 \sin \Omega + \dots + a_N \sin N\Omega\right)^2}}$$
(D.25)

$$\angle H(e^{j\Omega}) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-(b_1 \sin \Omega + \dots + b_M \sin M\Omega)}{b_0 + b_1 \cos \Omega + \dots + b_M \cos M\Omega}\right)$$

$$-\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-(a_1\sin\Omega+\cdots+a_N\sin N\Omega)}{1+a_1\cos\Omega+\cdots+a_N\cos N\Omega}\right)$$
 (D.26)

Based on Equation (D.24), we also obtain the magnitude and phase response for $H(e^{-j\Omega})$ as

$$\left|H(e^{-j\Omega})\right| = \frac{\sqrt{\left(b_0 + b_1 \cos \Omega + \dots + b_M \cos M\Omega\right)^2 + \left(b_1 \sin \Omega + \dots + b_M \sin M\Omega\right)^2}}{\sqrt{\left(1 + a_1 \cos \Omega + \dots + a_N \cos N\Omega\right)^2 + \left(a_1 \sin \Omega + \dots + a_N \sin N\Omega\right)^2}}$$
(D.27)

$$\angle H(e^{-j\Omega}) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b_1\sin\Omega + \dots + b_M\sin M\Omega}{b_0 + b_1\cos\Omega + \dots + b_M\cos M\Omega}\right)$$

$$-\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{a_1\sin\Omega + \dots + a_N\sin N\Omega}{1 + a_1\cos\Omega + \dots + a_N\cos N\Omega}\right)$$
(D.28)

Comparing Equation (D.25) with (D.27), and Equation (D.26) with (D.28), respectively, we obtain the symmetric properties as

$$|H(e^{-j\Omega})| = |H(e^{j\Omega})| \tag{D.29}$$

$$\angle H(e^{-j\Omega}) = -\angle H(e^{j\Omega})$$
 (D.30)