

Music 320  
Autumn 2011–2012  
**Homework #8**  
Z-transform, FIR & IIR Filters  
135 points  
Due in two weeks (12/01/2011) by 11:59pm

## Theory Problems

1. (20 points) Consider the filter

$$y(n) = x(n) - x(n-1)$$

which is identical to the simplest low-pass filter except that adjacent input samples are subtracted rather than added. Derive the amplitude response and the phase response. How has the response changed? Would you call this a low-pass filter, high-pass filter, or something else? In the time domain, we may call it a *first-order difference*.

2. (10 points) For the two input sequences

$$x_1(n) = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]$$

and

$$x_2(n) = [1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1]$$

find the output  $y(n)$  using the first-order difference filter given in the previous problem. How would you relate your answers to the results you got in the previous problem?

3. For the following filter:

$$H(z) = \frac{6z^2 - 6z}{1 - 5z + 6z^2}$$

- (a) (5 pts) Draw the direct-form-II realization.
  - (b) (5 pts) Draw the transposed direct-form-II realization.
  - (c) (5 pts) Find the partial fraction expansion.
  - (d) (5 pts) Draw a realization as parallel one-pole sections.
4. (30 points) [Partial Fraction Expansion] Express the following transfer functions as a sum of one pole filters using *partial fraction expansion* (PFE):

(a)

$$H_1(z) = \frac{-2}{1 - \frac{4}{3}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{3}z^{-2}}$$

(b)

$$H_2(z) = \frac{4 - \frac{7}{2}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{3}{2}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{2}z^{-2}}$$

(c)

$$H_3(z) = \frac{1 - j2 + (\frac{7}{4} - j\frac{9}{4})z^{-1}}{1 + (\frac{3}{4} - j)z^{-1} - j\frac{3}{4}z^{-2}}$$

5. (15 points) [Inverse  $z$  Transform] Give the impulse response of each of the filters in the previous problem by inverting the  $z$  transform. (*Hint:* The  $z$  transform is linear, so you do this by inverting the one pole filters you found with PFE)

## Lab Assignments

Follow the same file naming convention of the previous lab.

1. (20 points) Simple FIR Digital Filter Design

- (a) (5 points) Use the Matlab function `fir1` to design a 10th order FIR lowpass filter that cuts off at one-fourth the sampling rate. Plot the impulse response.
- (b) (5 points) Use `freqz` to display the amplitude and phase response of this filter.
- (c) (10 points) Generate 4096 samples of a white noise signal using `randn` and apply the FIR filter to it. With your sound volume TURNED WAY DOWN (at first), listen to the input and output signals. Plot the magnitude of a length 8192 FFT of the input and output signals.

Turn in your Matlab code.

2. (20 points) [Convolution measurement] A second-order IIR filter is given like below

$$y(n) = 0.3024x(n) - 0.3024x(n-2) + 1.749y(n-1) - 0.9244y(n-2)$$

Using the `jobs.wav` sound file (downloaded with the pdf), write a script which applies the given filter to the `jobs.wav` in the following ways:

- (a) directly using the difference equation above
- (b) using `conv`
- (c) using `filter`
- (d) using `fftfilt`

Measure the run time of each operation using `tic` and `toc` function. The usage of `tic` and `toc` function is as follows.

```
tic
```

```
...perform your calculation...
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```
toc // returns an elapsed time.
```

Compare the performances of these operations when  $N = 128$ ,  $1024$ , and  $8092$ . Turn in your code, and the run time results for each  $N$ .

Note that you need a finite impulse response `h` to calculate them in (a), (b) and (d), which is contrary to the given filter. But, you can get an approximated finite impulse response like this.

```
h = filter(b,a,[1; zeros(N-1,1)])
```

Use the impulse response `h` or filter coefficients `a` and `b` as arguments of Matlab functions above. Also, make sure that the filtered outputs are the same by listening to them.