

## EXERCISE 2

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**Important:** The most important information of Chapter 3 of the book is in tables 3.1, 3.2 and specially 3.3 and 3.4. When computing DTFTs it is often useful to know that:

$$\sum_{n=m}^k r^n = \frac{r^{k+1} - r^m}{r - 1}$$

Note that I made a mistake when writing the expression above in the whiteboard. Thanks to Junsheng for reporting this. Other useful sums are:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n = \frac{1}{1-r} \quad |r| < 1$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} nr^n = \frac{r}{(1-r)^2} \quad |r| < 1$$

Remember also the relationships:

$$\cos \omega = \frac{e^{j\omega} + e^{-j\omega}}{2}$$

$$\sin \omega = \frac{e^{j\omega} - e^{-j\omega}}{2j}$$

**PROBLEM 1:** Determine the DTFT of each of the following sequences:

(a)  $x_a[n] = \mu[n] - \mu[n - 5]$

(b)  $x_b[n] = \alpha^n (\mu[n] - \mu[n - 8]) \quad |\alpha| < 1$

(c)  $x_c[n] = (n + 1)\alpha^n \mu[n] \quad |\alpha| < 1$

**SOLUTION:** There are two ways of computing the DTFT of a sequence. Either you apply directly the formula of the DTFT or you try to express your sequence as a linear combination of elementary sequences for which you know the DTFT.

(a)

Using directly the DTFT formula:

$$X_a(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x_a[n]e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=0}^4 e^{j\omega n} = \frac{e^{-j\omega 5} - 1}{e^{-j\omega} - 1}$$

Using the fact that the DTFT of the unit step function is:

$$\mu[n] \xrightarrow{DTFT} G(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-j\omega}} + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \pi \delta(\omega + 2\pi k)$$

then:

$$X_a(e^{j\omega}) = G(e^{j\omega}) - e^{-j\omega 5} G(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega 5}}{1 - e^{-j\omega}} - \underbrace{(1 - e^{-j\omega 5}) \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \pi \delta(\omega + 2\pi k)}_{=0 \ \forall \omega}$$

So we finally obtain:

$$X_a(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega 5}}{1 - e^{-j\omega}}$$

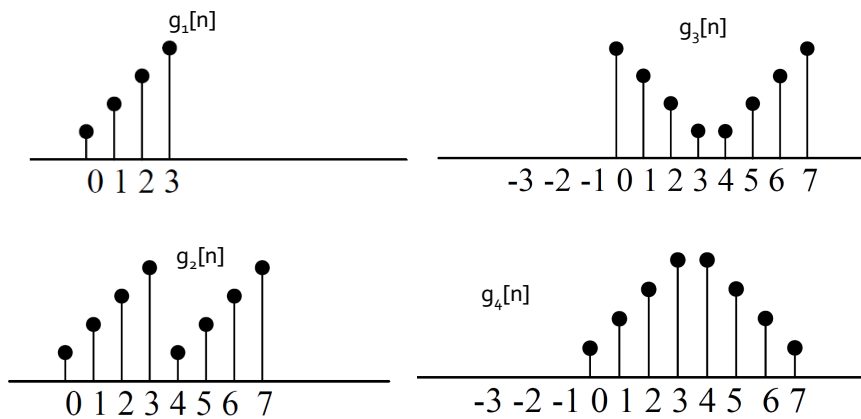
(b)

$$X_b(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1 - \alpha^8 e^{-j\omega 8}}{1 - \alpha e^{-j\omega}}$$

(c)

$$X_c(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{(1 - \alpha e^{-j\omega})^2}$$

**PROBLEM 2: (problem 3.41 from the book)** Let  $G_1(e^{j\omega})$  denote the discrete-time Fourier transform of the sequence  $g_1[n]$  shown in the figure below. Express the DTFTs of  $g_2[n]$ ,  $g_3[n]$  and  $g_4[n]$  in terms of  $G_1(e^{j\omega})$ . Do not evaluate  $G_1(e^{j\omega})$ .



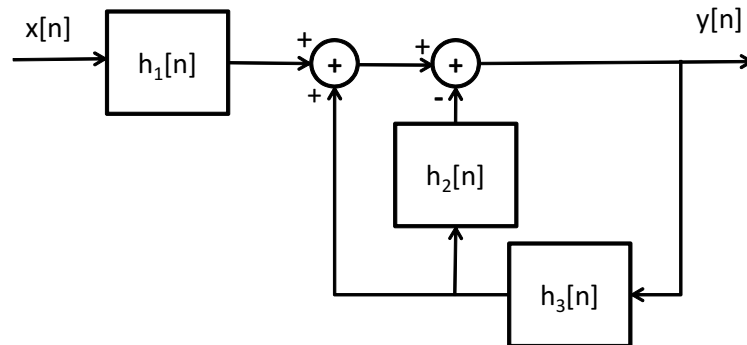
**SOLUTION:**

$$g_2[n] = g_1[n] + g_1[n-4] \Rightarrow G_2 e^{j\omega} = (1 + e^{-4j\omega}) G_1(e^{j\omega})$$

$$g_3[n] = g_1[-(n-3)] + g_1[n-4] \Rightarrow G_3 e^{j\omega} = e^{-j3\omega} G_1(e^{-j\omega}) + e^{-j4\omega} G_1(e^{j\omega})$$

$$g_4[n] = g_1[n] + g_1[-(n-7)] \Rightarrow G_4(e^{j\omega}) = G_1(e^{j\omega}) + e^{-j7\omega} G_1(e^{-j\omega})$$

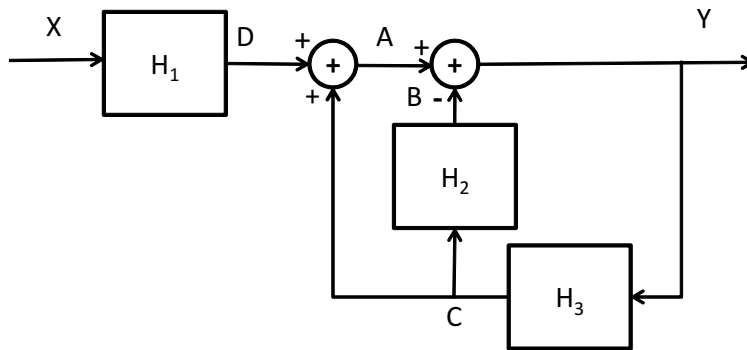
**PROBLEM 3:** Consider the following interconnection of linear shift-invariant systems:



Express the frequency response of the overall system  $H(e^{j\omega})$  in terms of the frequency responses of the subsystems  $H_1(e^{j\omega})$ ,  $H_2(e^{j\omega})$ , and  $H_3(e^{j\omega})$ .

**SOLUTION:**

The first step is to represent the given system in frequency domain and to introduce new intermediate variables in any interconnection between diagram elements. This is shown below:



For simplicity we have omitted all the terms  $(e^{j\omega})$  in the diagram above. Unless otherwise stated uppercase letters will denote Fourier-domain variables and lower-case letters time-domain ones. We can now write all the system equations in Fourier domain:

$$Y = A - B \quad (1)$$

$$A = D + C \quad (2)$$

$$B = H_2 \cdot C \quad (3)$$

$$C = H_3 \cdot Y \quad (4)$$

$$D = H_1 \cdot X \quad (5)$$

The overall frequency response is defined as  $H = \frac{Y}{X}$ . Therefore, we need to combine the five equations above into a single one that has only  $X$  and  $Y$  as unknowns. Combining Eqs. ??, ?? and ?? we obtain:

$$Y = D + (1 - H_2)C \quad (6)$$

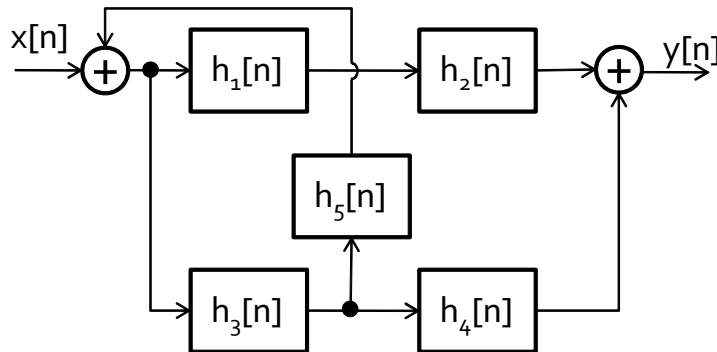
Now combining Eq. ?? with Eqs. ?? and ?? we get to:

$$Y = H_1 \cdot X + (1 - H_2)H_3Y \quad (7)$$

which has only two unknowns:  $X$  and  $Y$ . Reorganizing Eq. ?? we finally obtain the overall frequency response of the system:

$$Y = \frac{H_1}{1 + H_3(H_2 - 1)}X \Rightarrow H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{Y(e^{j\omega})}{X(e^{j\omega})} = \frac{H_1(e^{j\omega})}{1 + H_3(e^{j\omega})(H_2(e^{j\omega}) - 1)} \quad (8)$$

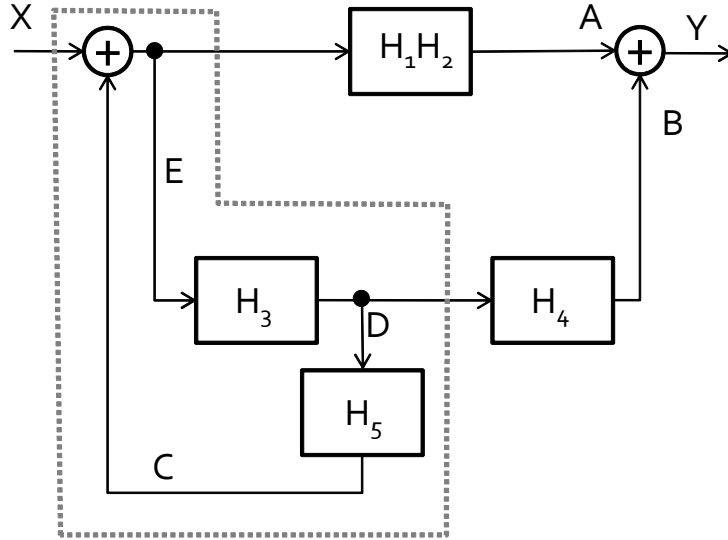
**PROBLEM 4.** Consider the following interconnection of LTI systems:



Express the frequency response of the overall system  $H(e^{j\omega})$  in terms of the frequency responses of the subsystems depicted in the diagram.

**SOLUTION:**

The first thing that we do is to transform all variables to the DTFT domain (we omit the  $e^{j\omega}$  terms), to introduce intermediate variables in every connection between system elements and to simplify as much as possible the diagram:



We can observe that there is a feedback loop involving the first addition operator and systems  $H_3$  and  $H_5$  (surrounded by a dashed line in the diagram above). The best way to proceed is to first compute the frequency response of the sub-system bounded by the dashed line, i.e. to find the relationship between  $D$  and  $X$ . We can see that the feedback sub-system contains 4 unknowns ( $X$ ,  $E$ ,  $D$ ,  $C$ ) which means that we will need to write 3 equations:

$$D = H_3 E \quad (9)$$

$$C = H_5 D \quad (10)$$

$$E = X + C \quad (11)$$

Combining these three equations:

$$D = H_3 X + H_3 C = H_3 X + H_3 H_5 D \Rightarrow D = \frac{H_3}{1 - H_3 H_5} X$$

Then we can also find the relationship between  $E$  and the input  $X$ :

$$D = H_3 E \Rightarrow E = \frac{D}{H_3} = \frac{1}{1 - H_3 H_5} X$$

Now we can proceed to determine the overall frequency response of the whole system. Since in the whole system we have 7 unknowns, we need 6 equations to fully determine the output with respect to the input. We already wrote 3 equations above so we just need 3 more:

$$Y = A + B \quad (12)$$

$$A = H_1 H_2 E \quad (13)$$

$$B = H_4 D \quad (14)$$

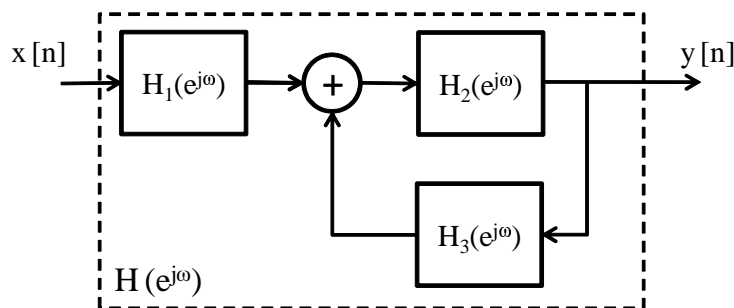
Combining the three equations above:

$$Y = A + B = H_1 H_2 E + H_4 D$$

and using the expressions that we found for  $E$  and  $D$  with respect to  $X$ :

$$Y = H_1 H_2 E + H_4 D = \frac{H_1 H_2 + H_4 H_3}{1 - H_3 H_5} X$$

**PROBLEM 5.** Consider the interconnection of linear shift-invariant systems in the figure below:



- Express the frequency response of the overall system  $H(e^{j\omega})$  in terms of the frequency responses of the subsystems  $H_1(e^{j\omega})$ ,  $H_2(e^{j\omega})$  and  $H_3(e^{j\omega})$ .
- Determine the frequency response  $H(e^{j\omega})$  of the overall system if:

$$\begin{aligned} h_1[n] &= \frac{\sin(\frac{\pi}{3}n)}{\pi n} \\ h_2[n] &= (0.3)^n \mu[n] \\ h_3[n] &= \delta[n - 2] \end{aligned}$$

**SOLUTION:**

The overall frequency response is:

$$Y = \frac{H_1 H_2}{1 - H_2 H_3} X \Rightarrow H = \frac{H_1 H_2}{1 - H_2 H_3}$$

Transforming  $h_1[n]$ ,  $h_2[n]$ ,  $h_3[n]$  to the DTFT domain we finally obtain that:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1 - 0.3e^{-j\omega} - e^{-j\omega 2}} & |\omega| \leq \omega_c \\ 0 & |\omega| > \omega_c \end{cases}$$

**PROBLEM 6 (problem 3.59 from the book):** An LTI IIR discrete-time system is described by the difference equation

$$y[n] + a_1 y[n - 1] = b_0 x[n] + b_1 x[n - 1]$$

where the input is  $x[n]$ , the output is  $y[n]$ , and the constants  $a_1$ ,  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  are real. Determine the expression for its frequency response. For what values of  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  will the magnitude response be a constant for all values of  $\omega$ ?

**SOLUTION:** In order to obtain the frequency response of the system, first we need to transform the system's equation into the frequency domain:

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) + a_1 e^{-j\omega} Y(e^{j\omega}) = b_0 X(e^{j\omega}) + b_1 e^{-j\omega} X(e^{j\omega})$$

so the frequency response of the system is:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{Y(e^{j\omega})}{X(e^{j\omega})} = \frac{b_0 + b_1 e^{-j\omega}}{1 + a_1 e^{-j\omega}}$$

It is difficult to operate with the requirement  $|H(e^{j\omega})| = K = \text{constant}$  due to the presence of complex quantities inside the absolute value operator. In order to get rid of complex terms the easiest is to solve for the equivalent requirement  $|H(e^{j\omega})|^2 = K^2 = \text{constant}$ :



$$\begin{aligned}
|H(e^{j\omega})|^2 &= H(e^{j\omega})H^*(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{(b_0+b_1e^{-j\omega})(b_0+b_1e^{j\omega})}{(1+a_1e^{-j\omega})(1+a_1e^{j\omega})} \\
&= \frac{b_0^2+b_1^2+b_0b_1(e^{j\omega}+e^{-j\omega})}{1+a_1^2+a_1(e^{j\omega}+e^{-j\omega})} = \frac{b_0^2+b_1^2+2b_0b_1\cos\omega}{1+a_1^2+2a_1\cos\omega} = K^2 = C
\end{aligned}$$

Then we have to find the values of  $a_1$ ,  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  satisfying:

$$\underbrace{b_0^2 + b_1^2}_A + \underbrace{2b_0b_1}_{B}\cos\omega = \underbrace{C + Ca_1^2}_{A'} + \underbrace{2Ca_1}_{B'}\cos\omega$$

We can see that the expressions at each side of the equation above corresponds to a scaled sinusoid with non-zero mean. So we can enforce the equality by simply enforcing that the mean of the sinusoids is the same ( $A = A'$ ) and that the scale of both sinusoids is also the same ( $B = B'$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}
A = A' &\Rightarrow b_0^2 + b_1^2 = C + Ca_1^2 \\
B = B' &\Rightarrow b_0b_1 = Ca_1
\end{aligned}$$

Putting both equations together:

$$b_0 = C \frac{a_1}{b_1} \Rightarrow \frac{C^2 a_1^2}{b_1^2} + b_1^2 = C + Ca_1^2 \Rightarrow b_1^4 - C(1 + a_1^2)b_1^2 + C^2 a_1^2 = 0$$

The quadratic equation above has two solutions:

$$b_1^2 = \frac{C(1 + a_1^2) \pm \sqrt{C^2(1 + a_1^2)^2 - 4C^2 a_1^2}}{2}$$

Operating we get that the solution is either  $b_1 = \pm K$  or  $b_1 = \pm Ka_1$ . We first try the former solution to check if it fulfills our requirement:

$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = \left| \frac{\pm Ka_1 \pm Ke^{-j\omega}}{1 + a_1 e^{-j\omega}} \right| = K \left| \frac{a_1 + e^{-j\omega}}{1 + a_1 e^{-j\omega}} \right|$$

Clearly, the expression above is not equal to a constant in general so this is not a valid solution of the problem. We try now the solution  $b_1 = \pm Ka_1$ :

$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = \left| \frac{\pm K \pm K a_1 e^{-j\omega}}{1 + a_1 e^{-j\omega}} \right| = K \left| \frac{1 + a_1 e^{-j\omega}}{1 + a_1 e^{-j\omega}} \right| = K$$

And therefore  $b_1 = \pm K a_1$  is the solution that we need. The reason for one of the solutions that we found to be invalid is that we substituted the original requirement  $|H(e^{j\omega})| = K$  for the alternative requirement  $|H(e^{j\omega})|^2 = K^2$ . This had the effect of introducing an spurious solution since the latter equality is fulfilled not only when  $|H(e^{j\omega})| = K$  but also when  $|H(e^{j\omega})| = -K$ . Obviously, the latter solution is not valid.

**PROBLEM 7:** Consider the system defined by the difference equation

$$y[n] = ay[n-1] + bx[n] + x[n-1]$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are real, and  $|a| < 1$ . Find the relationship between  $a$  and  $b$  that must exist if the frequency response is to have a constant magnitude for all  $\omega$ , that is  $|H(e^{j\omega})| = 1$ .

**SOLUTION:** In order to obtain the frequency response of the system, first we need to transform the system's equation into the frequency domain:

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) = ae^{-j\omega}Y(e^{j\omega}) + bX(e^{j\omega}) + e^{-j\omega}X(e^{j\omega})$$

so the frequency response of the system is:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{Y(e^{j\omega})}{X(e^{j\omega})} = \frac{b + e^{-j\omega}}{1 - a \cdot e^{-j\omega}}$$

If the equality  $|H(e^{j\omega})| = 1$  hold then it must also hold the equality  $|H(e^{j\omega})|^2 = 1$ . Solving this latter equality is easier because the expression on the left side has only real terms inside the absolute value operator. Operating a bit:

$$|H(e^{j\omega})|^2 = 1 \implies H(e^{j\omega}) \cdot H^*(e^{j\omega}) = 1$$

substituting the value of  $H(e^{j\omega})$  into the expression above we obtain:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) \cdot H^*(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{(b + e^{-j\omega}) \cdot (b + e^{j\omega})}{(1 - a \cdot e^{-j\omega}) \cdot (1 - a \cdot e^{j\omega})} = \frac{1 + b^2 + b \cdot (e^{j\omega} + e^{-j\omega})}{1 + a^2 - a \cdot (e^{j\omega} + e^{-j\omega})} = 1$$

So, the numerator and denominator of the fraction above must be equal, which translates into the two equations:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + b^2 &= 1 + a^2 \\ b &= -a \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, if and only if  $b = -a$  the two equations are fulfilled and  $|H(e^{j\omega})|^2 = 1$ . Since we have only a single solution to the squared version of our original condition we can conclude that this solution has to be also the solution to our original constraint. That is  $|H(e^{j\omega})| = 1$  if and only if  $b = -a$ .