

Problem Set

Question 1

Consider the signal $x(n) = a^n u(n)$, with $|a| < 1$.

1. Determine the spectrum $X(\omega)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 X(e^{j\omega}) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a^n u(n) e^{-j\omega n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n e^{-j\omega n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [ae^{-j\omega}]^n \\
 &= \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}} \\
 X(\omega) &= \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. The signal $x(n)$ is applied to a decimator that reduces the rate by a factor of 2. Determine the output spectrum by working out the effect of decimation in the Fourier domain.

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y(\omega_y) &= \frac{1}{D} \sum_{k=0}^{D-1} X\left(\frac{\omega_y - 2\pi k}{D}\right), \quad D = 2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[X\left(\frac{\omega_y}{2}\right) + X\left(\frac{\omega_y - 2\pi}{2}\right) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\frac{\omega_y}{2}}} + \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\frac{\omega_y - 2\pi}{2}}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1 - ae^{-j(\frac{\omega_y}{2} - \pi)} + 1 - ae^{-j\frac{\omega_y}{2}}}{1 - ae^{-j\frac{\omega_y}{2}} - ae^{-j(\frac{\omega_y}{2} - \pi)} + a^2 e^{-j(\omega - \pi)}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2}{1 - a^2 e^{-j\omega}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{1 - a^2 e^{-j\omega}}
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Show that the spectrum in part (b) is the same as the Fourier transform of $x(2n)$.

$$\omega_y = 2\omega_x$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X(\omega_x) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[2n]e^{-j2\omega_x n}, \quad m = 2n \\
 &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x[2n]e^{-j\omega_y n} \\
 &= \frac{1}{1 - a^2 e^{-j\omega}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 2

Consider the two different ways of cascading a decimator and an interpolator, as seen in Figure below. Note that we are omitting the low-pass filter(s) that would be typically used.

1. If $D = I \neq 1$, show that the two outputs are not the same.

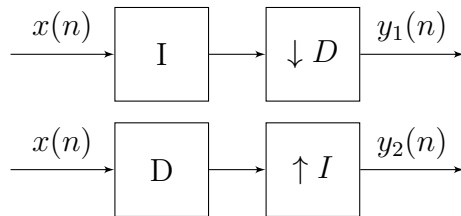
Let $D = I = 2$, and $x(n) = \{x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$.

Decimation then Interpolation: $y_1(n) = \{x_0, x_2, x_4, \dots\}$, $z_1(n) = \{x_0, 0, x_2, 0, x_4, 0, \dots\}$

Interpolation then Decimation: $y_2(n) = \{x_0, 0, x_1, 0, x_2, 0, \dots\}$, $z_2(n) = \{x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots\}$

$z_1(n) \neq z_2(n)$

2. What is the condition, under which the two outputs would be identical?



Decimation then Interpolation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1(n) &= \begin{cases} x\left(\frac{n}{I}\right), & \text{if } n = \text{multiple of } I \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\
 y_1(n) = x_1(Dn) &= \begin{cases} x\left(\frac{Dn}{I}\right), & \text{if } Dn = \text{multiple of } I \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

Interpolation then Decimation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2(n) &= x(Dn) \\
 y_1(n) = x_1(Dn) &= \begin{cases} x_2\left(\frac{n}{I}\right), & \text{if } n = \text{multiple of } I \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\
 &= \begin{cases} x\left(\frac{Dn}{I}\right), & \text{if } n = \text{multiple of } I \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{lcm(D, I)}{D} = I \rightarrow D \text{ and } I \text{ are relatively prime.}$$

Order of up-sampling (interpolation) and down-sampling (decimation) can be swapped if D and I are relatively prime.