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**SIGNALS AND LINEAR SYSTEMS**

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There are FIVE questions on this paper.

Answer THREE questions.

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1.

Consider the cascade interconnection of three causal linear time invariant (LTI) systems, illustrated in the following Figure 1. The impulse response  $h_2[n]$  is

$$h_2[n] = u[n] - u[n-3],$$

where  $u[n]$  is the discrete unit step function defined as

$$u[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The overall impulse response is as shown in Figure 2.

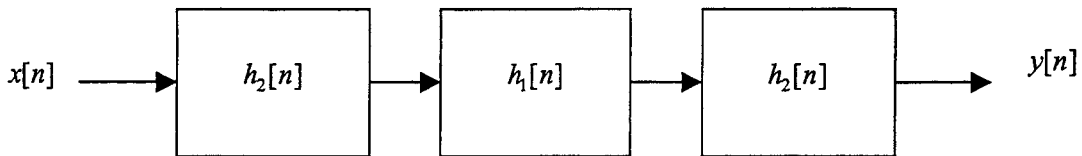


Figure 1

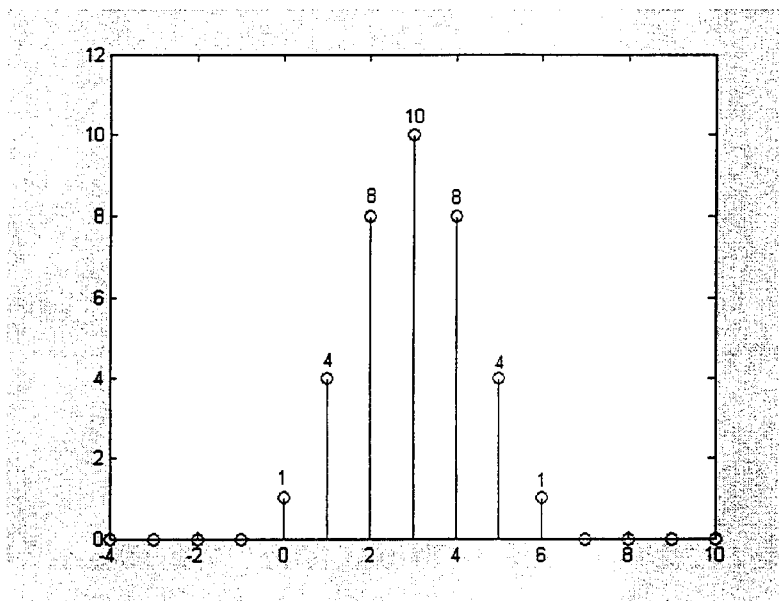


Figure 2

(a) Show that the convolution of  $h_2[n]$  with itself is given by

$$h_2[n] * h_2[n] = \delta[0] + 2\delta[1] + 3\delta[2] + 2\delta[3] + \delta[4]$$

[6]

(b) Find the impulse response  $h_1[n]$ .

[7]

(c) Find the output of the overall system to the input

$$x[n] = \delta[n-1] - \delta[n-3]$$

where  $\delta[n]$  is the discrete unit impulse function defined as

$$\delta[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

[7]

For part (a) use the fact that given two discrete signals  $x[n]$  and  $y[n]$  with finite durations of  $M$  and  $N$  samples respectively, the convolution  $x[n] * y[n]$  is of duration  $M + N - 1$  samples.

2.

(a) Consider the signal  $x(t)$  that is periodic with period  $T$  and fundamental frequency  $\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$ .

Suppose that the Fourier series coefficients of  $x(t)$  are  $c_k$ . Find the Fourier series coefficients of the signal  $y(t) = \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$ . [2]

(b) Let  $x(t)$  be a periodic signal whose Fourier series coefficients are

$$c_k = \begin{cases} 1, & k = 0 \\ -j\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{|k|}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(i) Is  $x(t)$  real? [3]

(ii) Is  $x(t)$  odd? [3]

(iii) Is  $\frac{dx(t)}{dt}$  odd? [3]

Justify your answers.

(c) Consider the signal  $w(t)$  that is aperiodic. Find the Fourier transform of the signal  $y(t) = \frac{dw(t)}{dt}$ . [2]

(d) Find the Fourier transform of the signal  $v(t) = e^{-at}u(t)$ . Assume that the real part of  $a$  is positive and that  $u(t)$  is the continuous unit step function defined as

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

[2]

(e) The input and output of a stable and causal LTI system are related by the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y(t)}{dt^2} + 4\frac{dy(t)}{dt} + 3y(t) = 2x(t)$$

(i) Find the impulse response of this system. [2]

(ii) What is the frequency response of the output of this system if  $x(t) = e^{-3t}u(t)$ ? [3]

3.

The output  $y(t)$  of a causal LTI system is related to the input  $x(t)$  by the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2 y(t)}{dt^2} + 2 \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + y(t) = x(t)$$

(a) Determine the frequency response of the system, then find and sketch its Bode plots. [13]

(b) If  $x(t) = e^{-2t}u(t)$ , determine the output of the system in the frequency domain. [7]

4.

- (a) Consider an LTI system with input  $x(t) = e^{-t}u(t)$  and impulse response  $h(t) = e^{-3t}u(t)$ .
- (i) Determine the Laplace transforms of  $x(t)$  and  $h(t)$ . [3]
  - (ii) From (i) find the Laplace transform  $Y(s)$  of the output  $y(t)$  of the system. [3]
  - (iii) From  $Y(s)$  as obtained in part (i) determine  $y(t)$ . [3]
  - (iv) Verify your result in part (iii) by explicitly convolving  $x(t)$  and  $h(t)$ . [3]
- (b) (i) Consider a signal  $x(t)$  with Fourier transform  $X(j\omega)$  and Laplace transform  $X(s) = s + 1$ ,  $\Re\{s\} < -1$ , with  $\Re\{s\}$  the real part of  $s$ . Draw the pole-zero plot for  $X(s)$  on the  $s$ -plane. Also, draw the vector whose length represents  $|X(j\omega)|$  and whose angle with respect to the real axis represents  $\angle X(j\omega)$  for a given  $\omega$ . [3]
- (ii) Repeat (i) for a signal  $y(t)$  with Fourier transform  $Y(j\omega)$  and Laplace transform  $Y(s) = s - 1$ ,  $\Re\{s\} < 1$ . [3]
- (iii) By using the results of parts b-(i) and b-(ii) compare the amplitudes  $|X(j\omega)|$  and  $|Y(j\omega)|$ . Also, compare the phases  $\angle X(j\omega)$  and  $\angle Y(j\omega)$ . [2]

5.

- (a) (i) Find the analytical expression and the region of convergence (ROC) of the z-transform of the discrete causal signal  $x[n] = a^n u[n]$ , with  $a$  real and  $u[n]$  the discrete unit step function. [3]

- (ii) Find the analytical expression and the region of convergence (ROC) of the z-transform of the discrete anti-causal signal  $x[n] = -a^n u[-n-1]$ , with  $a$  real and  $u[n]$  the discrete unit step function. [3]

- (iii) Is the analytical expression  $X(z)$  of the z-transform of a signal sufficient in order to determine the analytical expression  $x[n]$  of the signal in time? [3]

For parts a(i)-a(ii) use the relationship  $\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}$ , if  $|x| < 1$ .

- (b) Consider a discrete causal signal  $x[n]$ , with  $x[n] = 0$  for  $n < 0$ . Find the z-transform of the signal  $x[n-m]$ ,  $m > 0$  as a function of the z-transform of the signal  $x[n]$ . [3]

- (c) Determine the impulse response and the z-transform of the impulse response, for the LTI system with input  $x[n]$  and output  $y[n]$  related with the difference equation

$$y[n] - \frac{5}{4}y[n-1] + \frac{3}{8}y[n-2] = x[n]$$

in the following two cases:

- (i) The system is causal [4]

- (ii) The system is anti-causal [4]

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Problem 1

$$(a) \quad h_2[n] * h_2[n] = u[n] * u[n] - 2u[n] * u[n-3] + u[n-3] * u[n-3]$$

$$= (\eta+1)u[\eta] - 2(\eta-2)u[\eta-3] + (\eta-5)u[\eta-6] \Rightarrow$$

$$g[n] = h_2[n] * h_2[n] = \begin{cases} \eta+1, & \eta=0,1,2 \\ 5-\eta, & \eta=3,4,5 \\ 0, & \eta=6, \dots \end{cases}$$

$$g[0]=1, \quad g[1]=2, \quad g[2]=3, \quad g[3]=2, \quad g[4]=1$$

$$(b) \quad h_1[n] * g[n] = h[n]$$

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total response

$\Rightarrow h_1[n]$  should have 3 non-zero samples

$$h_1[0], \quad h_1[1], \quad h_1[2]$$

Using the expression  $h[n] = \sum h_1[k]g[\eta-k]$  we find

$$h_1[0]=1, \quad h_1[1]=2, \quad h_1[2]=1$$

(c) We may use the relationship  $\delta[\eta-k_1] * \delta[\eta-k_2] = \delta[\eta-k_1-k_2]$

$$h[n] = \delta[n] + 4\delta[n-1] + 8\delta[n-2] + 10\delta[n-3] + 8\delta[n-4] + 4\delta[n-5] + \delta[n-6]$$

$$x[n] = \delta[n-1] - \delta[n-3]$$

$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n] = \delta[n-1] + 4\delta[n-2] + 8\delta[n-3] + 10\delta[n-4] \\ + 8\delta[n-5] + 4\delta[n-6] + \delta[n-7] - \delta[n-3] - 4\delta[n-4] - 8\delta[n-5] \\ - 10\delta[n-6] - 8\delta[n-7] - 4\delta[n-8] - \delta[n-9] = \\ \delta[n-1] + 4\delta[n-2] + 7\delta[n-3] + 6\delta[n-4] - 6\delta[n-6] - 7\delta[n-7] \\ - 4\delta[n-8] - \delta[n-9]$$

## Problem 2

$$(a) \quad x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{k=+\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{k=+\infty} (a_k jk\omega_0) e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

$\Rightarrow$  The function  $\frac{dx(t)}{dt}$  has Fourier series  $a_k jk\omega_0$

(b) (i) Real implies that  $a_k = a_{-k}^*$ . Since this is not true  $x(t)$  is not real

(ii) Odd implies that  $a_k = -a_{-k}$ . Since this is not true  $x(t)$  is not odd

(iii) The Fourier series of  $\frac{dx(t)}{dt}$  are

$$b_k = \begin{cases} 0 & k=0 \\ k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{|k|} \omega_0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$b_{-k} = -b_k \Rightarrow \frac{dx(t)}{dt} \text{ is odd}$$

$$(c) \quad y(t) = dx(t)/dt \Rightarrow Y(j\omega) = j\omega X(j\omega)$$

$$(d) \quad x(t) = e^{-at} u(t)$$

$$X(j\omega) = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-at} e^{-j\omega t} dt = \frac{1}{a+j\omega}$$

$$(e) \quad (i) \quad [(j\omega)^2 + 4j\omega + 3] Y(j\omega) = 2X(j\omega) \Rightarrow H(j\omega) = \frac{Y(j\omega)}{X(j\omega)} = \frac{12}{-\omega^2 + 4j\omega + 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(j\omega) = \frac{2}{(j\omega + 1)(j\omega + 3)} = \frac{(j\omega + 3) - (j\omega + 1)}{(j\omega + 1)(j\omega + 3)} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{j\omega + 1} - \frac{1}{j\omega + 3} \Rightarrow h(t) = e^{-t} u(t) - e^{-3t} u(t)$$

$$(ii) \quad Y(j\omega) = \frac{2}{(j\omega + 1)(j\omega + 3)^2}$$



Problem 3

$$(a) \quad H(j\omega) = \frac{1}{(j\omega)^2 + 2j\omega + 1} = \frac{1}{(j\omega + 1)^2}$$

$$H_1(j\omega) = \frac{1}{j\omega + 1} \Rightarrow H(j\omega) = \frac{1}{H_1(j\omega)^2} \Rightarrow$$

$$|H(j\omega)| = \frac{1}{|H_1(j\omega)|^2} \Rightarrow 20 \log |H(j\omega)| = 20 \log |H_1(j\omega)|^2 = \\ = 2 \cdot 20 \log |H_1(j\omega)|$$

$$\angle H(j\omega) = 2 \angle H_1(j\omega)$$

$$(b) \quad X(j\omega) = \frac{1}{2 + j\omega} \Rightarrow Y(j\omega) = \frac{1}{(j\omega + 1)^2 (2 + j\omega)} = \frac{(2 + j\omega) - (1 + j\omega)}{(j\omega + 1)^2 (2 + j\omega)} =$$

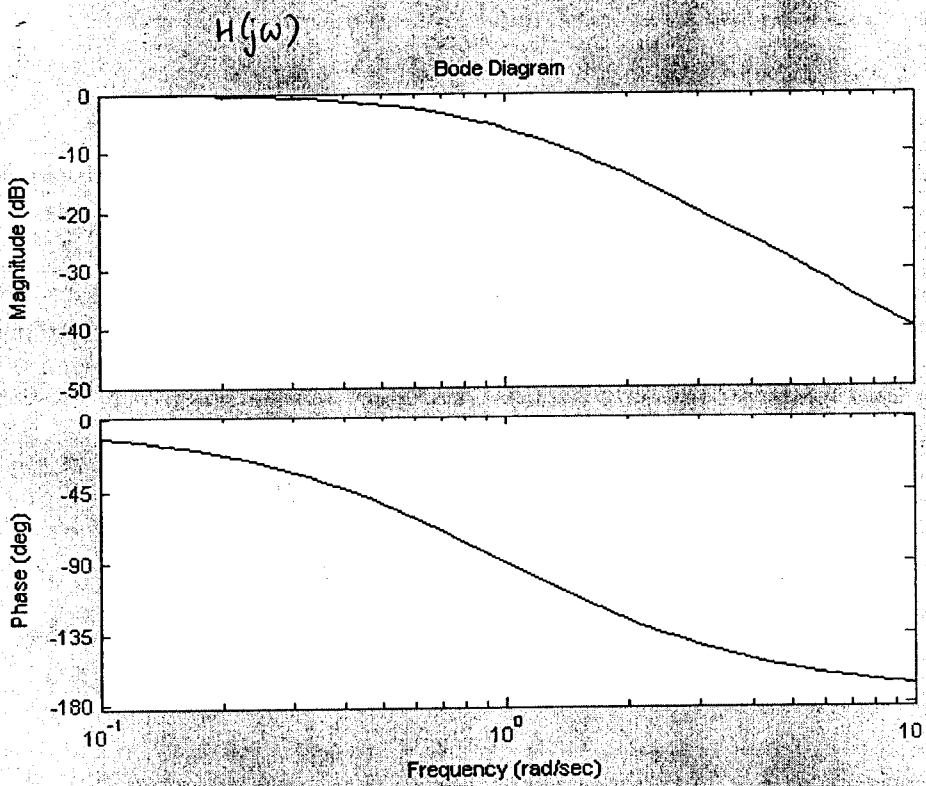
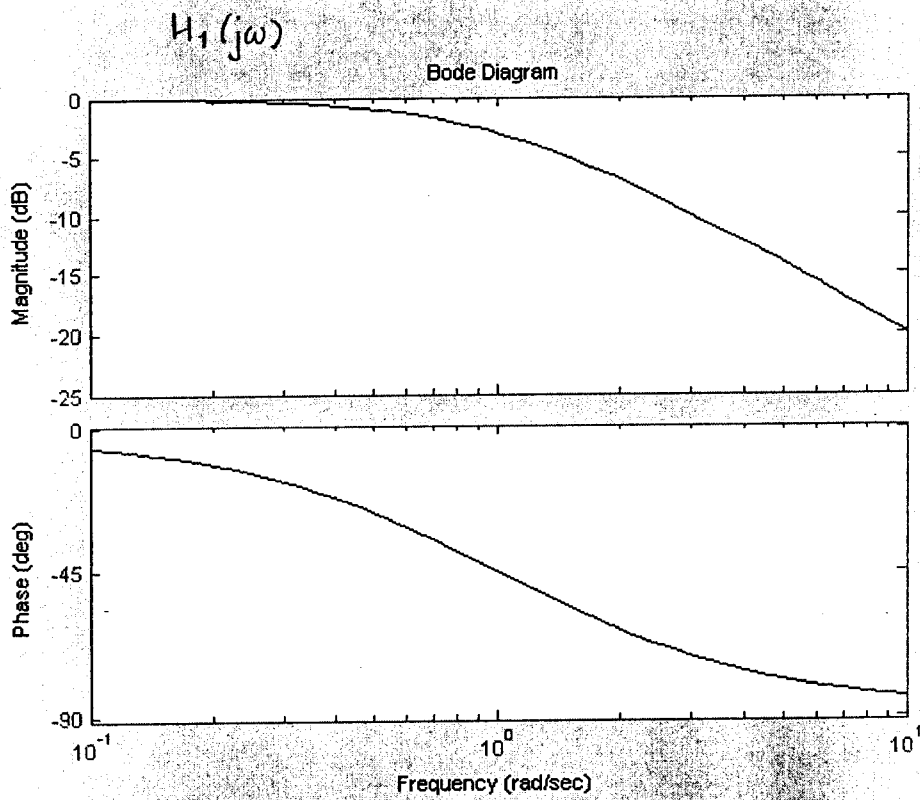
$$= \frac{1}{(j\omega + 1)^2} - \frac{1}{(j\omega + 1)(j\omega + 2)} = \frac{1}{(j\omega + 1)^2} - \frac{(j\omega + 2) - (j\omega + 1)}{(j\omega + 1)(j\omega + 2)} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{(j\omega + 1)^2} - \frac{1}{j\omega + 1} + \frac{1}{j\omega + 2} \Rightarrow$$

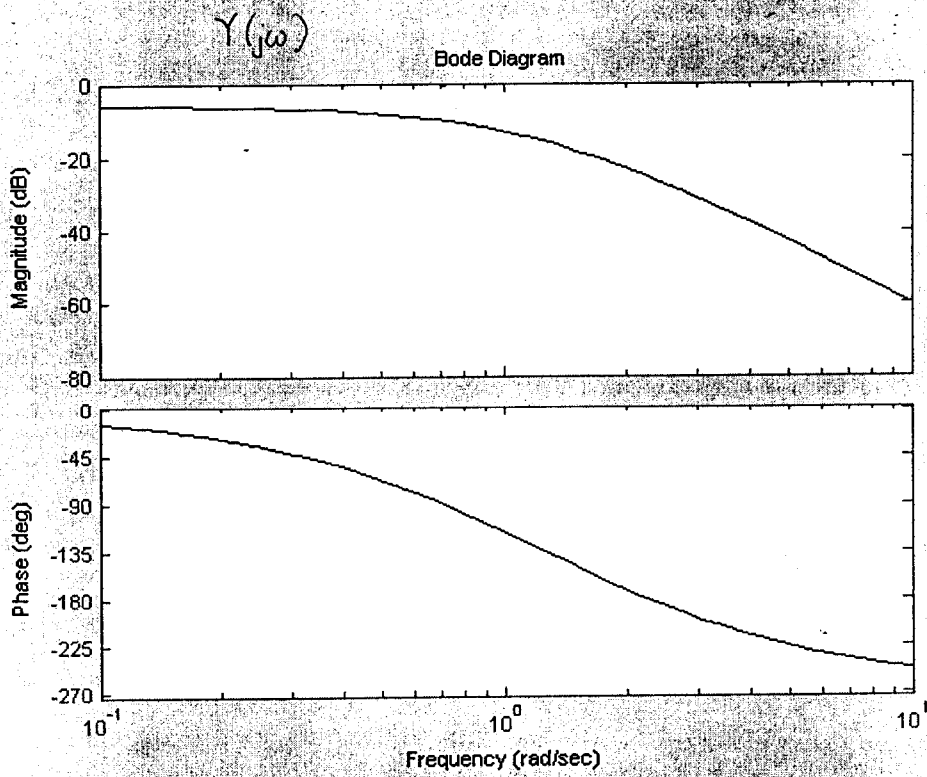
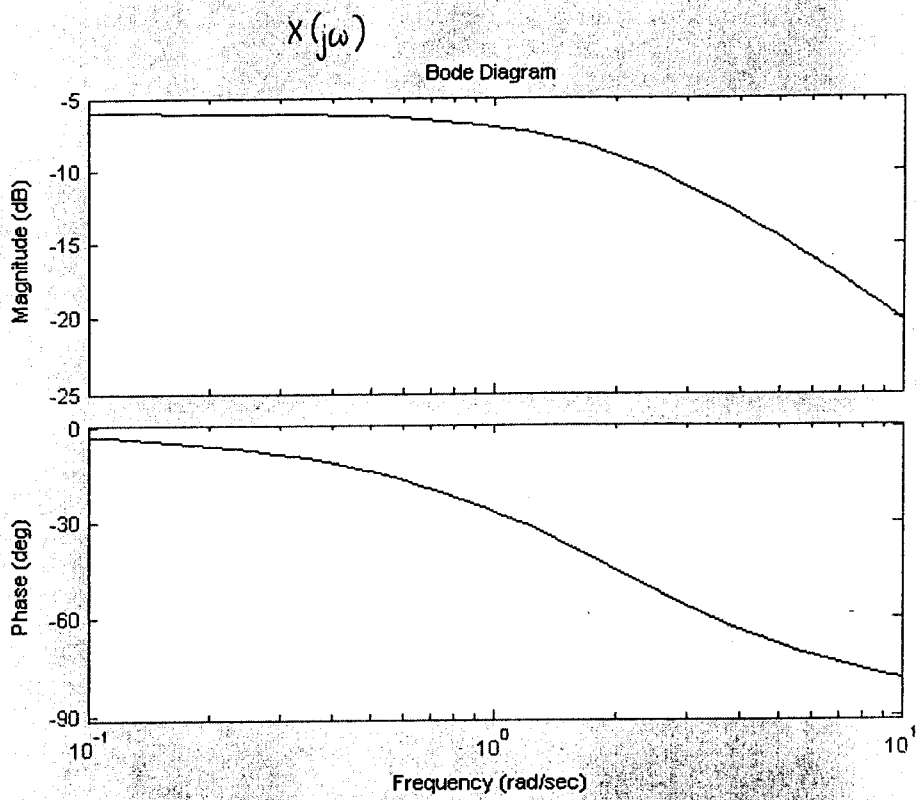
$$y(t) = (te^{-t} - e^{-t})u(t) + e^{-2t}u(t)$$

$$Y(j\omega) = H(j\omega)X(j\omega) \Rightarrow 20 \log Y(j\omega) = 20 \log H(j\omega) + 20 \log X(j\omega)$$

$$\angle Y(j\omega) = \angle H(j\omega) + \angle X(j\omega)$$



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Problem 4

(a) (i)  $X(s) = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-t} e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{s+1}$

$H(s) = \frac{1}{s+3}$

(ii)  $Y(s) = H(s) X(s) = \frac{1}{(s+3)(s+1)}$

(iii)  $Y(s) = \frac{0.5[(s+3)-(s+1)]}{(s+3)(s+1)} \Rightarrow y(t) = 0.5 e^{-t} u(t) - 0.5 e^{-3t} u(t)$

(iv)  $y(t) = \int_{?}^{?} x(\tau) h(t-\tau) d\tau = \int_{?}^{?} e^{-\tau} e^{-3(t-\tau)} d\tau$

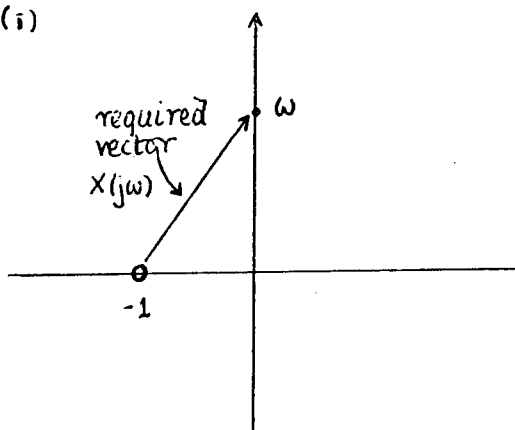
$0 \leq \tau \leq +\infty$

$0 \leq t-\tau \leq +\infty \Rightarrow -\infty \leq \tau-t \leq 0 \Rightarrow -\infty \leq \tau \leq t$

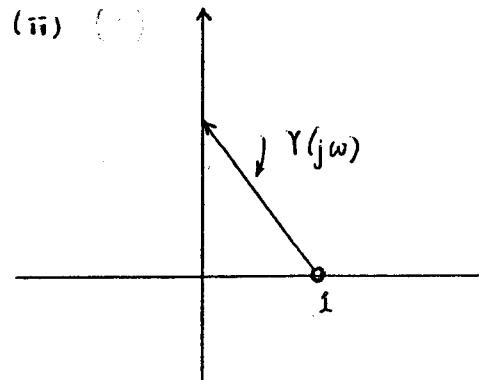
$y(t) = \int_0^t e^{-3t} e^{2\tau} d\tau = e^{-3t} 0.5 e^{2\tau} \Big|_0^t = e^{-3t} 0.5 (e^{2t} - 1) \Rightarrow$

$y(t) = 0.5 e^{-t} - 0.5 e^{-3t}, t \geq 0 \Rightarrow y(t) = 0.5 e^{-t} u(t) - 0.5 e^{-3t} u(t)$

(b) (i)



(ii) (i)



(iii)  $X(j\omega) = Y(j\omega)$

$\angle X(j\omega) = \pi - \angle Y(j\omega)$

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Problem 5

$$(a) (i) X(z) = \sum_{\eta=0}^{\infty} (az^{-1})^{\eta} = \frac{z}{z-a} \quad |z| > |a|$$

$$(ii) X(z) = - \sum_{\eta=-\infty}^{-1} a^{\eta} z^{-\eta} = 1 - \sum_{\eta=0}^{+\infty} (a^{-1}z)^{\eta} = \frac{z}{z-a}, \quad |z| < |a|$$

(iii) no, since two functions may have the same z transforms but different ROC's as in (i), (ii)

$$(b) y[n] = x[n-m]$$

$$Y(z) = x(0)z^{-m} + x(1)z^{-(m+1)} + \dots = z^{-m} X(z)$$

$$(c) H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{5}{4}z^{-1} + \frac{3}{8}z^{-2}} = \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{3}{4}z^{-1})}$$

(i) CAUSAL SYSTEM

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

$$-\frac{3A}{4} - \frac{2B}{4} = 0 \Rightarrow -3A - 2B = 0 \Rightarrow -3A - 2(1-A) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$-3A - 2 + 2A = 0 \Rightarrow A = -2, \quad B = 3$$

$$H(z) = \frac{-2}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}} + \frac{3}{1 - \frac{3}{4}z^{-1}}, \quad \text{ROC: } |z| > \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{ROC: } |z| > \frac{1}{2} \\ \text{ROC: } |z| > \frac{3}{4} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$h(t) = \left[ -2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\eta} + 3\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{\eta} \right] u[\eta]$$

(ii) H(z) as in (i) ROC:  $|z| < \frac{1}{2}$

$$h(t) = \left[ 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\eta} - 3\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{\eta} \right] u[-\eta - 1]$$

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