





Special Instructions for Invigilators: None

Information for Candidates:

Sequence	z-transform
$\delta(n)$	1
$a^n u(n)$	$\frac{1}{1 - az^{-1}}$
$(r^n \cos \omega_0 n) u(n)$	$\frac{1 - (r \cos \omega_0) z^{-1}}{1 - (2r \cos \omega_0) z^{-1} + r^2 z^{-2}}$

Table 1 : z-transform pairs

$\delta(n)$  is defined to be the unit impulse function.

$u(n)$  is defined to be the unit step function.

Numbers in square brackets against the right margin of the following pages are a guide to the marking scheme.

- 1 (a) Write down the Type 1 polyphase form of a filter  $H(z)$ . [ 4 ]
- (b) Consider the system shown in Figure 1 in which P and Q represent linear operators with L inputs and L outputs.
- (i) What function would this system typically perform? [ 2 ]
- (ii) For this typical function, describe in words the relationship of  $v_i(n)$   $i = 0, 1, \dots, L-1$  to  $x(n)$ . [ 3 ]
- (iii) Determine expressions for the transfer functions from the input signal  $x(n)$  to the signals  $v_i(n)$   $i = 0, 1, \dots, L-1$ . [ 5 ]
- (c) Consider a lowpass filter  $H_0(z)$  with impulse response  $h_0(n)$  and normalized cut-off frequency  $\pi/2$ . Derive a highpass filter  $H_1(z)$  and give its impulse response  $h_1(n)$  such that  $H_0(z)$  and  $H_1(z)$  are Quadrature Mirror Filters. Sketch an example of the magnitude frequency responses of the filters for the frequency range  $-2\pi$  to  $2\pi$ . [ 6 ]

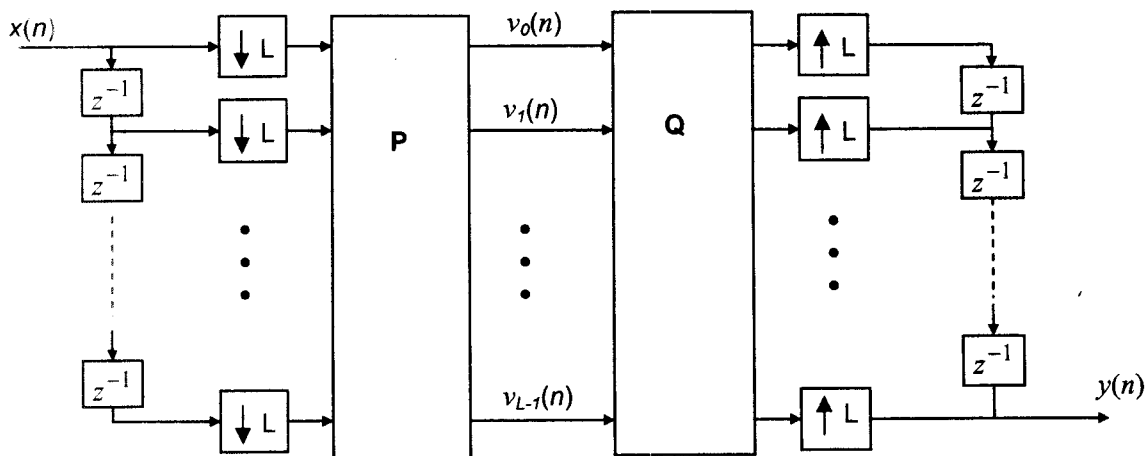


Figure 1.

2. Consider a discrete-time sequence  $\{x(n)\}$ . [2]
- (a) Give the definition of the z-transform  $X(z)$ . [2]
- (b) Explain what is meant by the Region of Convergence for z-transforms. [3]
- (c) State briefly any significant similarities and differences between the z-transform and the Laplace transform. Illustrate your answer using sketches in the z and s domains. Comment on the way in which the spectrum of discrete-time signals is represented in the z-domain. [5]
- (d) Find the inverse z-transform of  $H(z) = \frac{z^2 + z + 1}{z^2 + 3z + 2}$ ,  $1 < |z| < 2$ . [10]

3. Let  $X(k)$  be the DFT of a discrete-time signal  $x(n)$  of length  $N$  samples. [7]
- (a) Consider vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{X}$  representing the time domain and frequency domain data respectively, and a matrix  $\mathbf{D}_N$  known as the DFT matrix. The DFT operation can be expressed in the following matrix form

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{D}_N \mathbf{x}.$$

Write out in full the vectors  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{x}$ , and the DFT matrix  $\mathbf{D}_N$ , showing their elements in terms of  $x(n)$ ,  $X(k)$  and the term  $W_N = e^{-j2\pi/N}$ .

- (b) When  $x(n)$  is complex it can be written [8]

$$x(n) = g(n) + j h(n).$$

Show that

$$G(k) = \frac{1}{2} \left( X(k_N) + X^*(-k_N) \right) \quad \text{and}$$

$$H(k) = \frac{1}{2j} \left( X(k_N) - X^*(-k_N) \right)$$

where  $G(k)$  is the DFT of  $g(n)$ ,  $H(k)$  is the DFT of  $h(n)$ ,  $X^*$  is the complex conjugate of  $X$  and the subscript  $N$  indicates modulo  $N$  indexing.

- (c) Given two 4-point real sequences  $p(n) = \{1, 2, 0, 1\}$  and  $q(n) = \{2, 2, 1, 1\}$ , use the method of part (b) to formulate, and write out in full, the matrix form for this particular case including the matrix elements. Hence find the DFTs of  $p(n)$  and  $q(n)$ . [5]

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- (a) Draw the block diagram of a two-point DFT process and hence show with the aid of appropriate diagrams how a four-point decimation-in-time FFT operation can be implemented efficiently. [6]
- (b) Discuss briefly the features of a DSP microprocessor which would facilitate efficient computation of an FFT algorithm. [4]
- (c) The system shown in Figure 2 represents a filter with input  $X(z)$  and output  $Y(z)$ . [10]  
Deduce the important characteristics of this filter and find expressions for any zeros and/or poles.

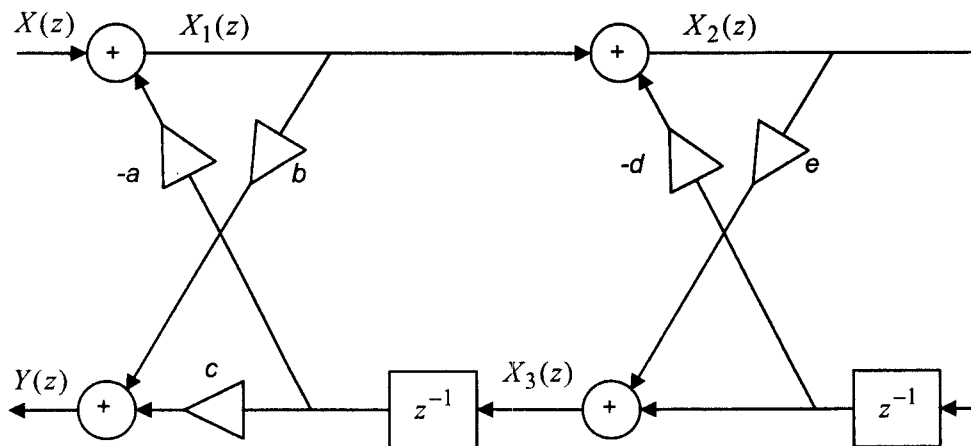


Figure 2.

5 A finite impulse response digital filter has an output  $y(n)$  for an input  $x(n)$

$$y(n) = x(n) + x(n - 3)$$

where  $n$  is the discrete time index.

- (a) Find the poles and zeros associated with this filter and sketch a plot of them on the z-plane. [4]
- (b) Write an expression and sketch a plot (in dB) for the filter's magnitude response and hence determine the gain of the filter at a frequency of  $\pi/8$ . Mark this frequency and corresponding gain on your plot. [6]
- (c) Define the group delay of a digital filter and state the units in which group delay is measured. [3]
- (d) If the digital filter above operates with a sampling period of  $T$  seconds, what is the group delay of the filter at a frequency of  $\frac{0.1}{T}$ ? [7]

6

- (a) What is the relationship between system function and frequency response of a discrete-time system? [3]
- (b) A communications channel can be represented by a linear shift invariant system defined by the difference equation [6]

$$y(n) = x(n) - 0.8x(n - 1) + 0.8x(n - 2).$$

Write down the system function,  $H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)}$ , for this system and plot its poles, zeros and region of convergence on the z-plane.

- (c) It is desired to equalise the channel in (b) by passing the signal  $y(n)$  through a filter  $G(z)$  such that the signal  $x(n)$  is recovered exactly. Determine the required system function  $G(z)$  for the equaliser and plot the poles and zeros on the z-plane. [6]
- (d) Describe with reference to the z-plane what is meant by a non-minimum phase channel. State what problem occurs when attempting to equalize such a channel. Suggest possible approaches to this problem. [5]





1.

a)  $H(z) = \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} z^{-l} E_l(z^L)$  with  $E_l(z) = \sum_n e_l(n) z^{-n}$  and  $e_l(n) = h(nL + l)$

b) Subband analysis and synthesis.

The signals  $v_l(n)$  represent the subband division (or analysis) of  $x(n)$ . They are formed from the effective bandpass filtering of  $x(n)$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} H_0(z) \\ \vdots \\ H_{L-1}(z) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{00}(z^L) & P_{01}(z^L) & \dots & P_{0,L-1}(z^L) \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ P_{L-1,0}(z^L) & & \dots & P_{L-1,L-1}(z^L) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ z^{-1} \\ \vdots \\ z^{-(M-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

c)  $h_1(n) = h_0(n)(-1)^n$

Sketch should show symmetry points at  $\pm \pi/2$ . The effective frequency translation of  $H_0$  to form  $H_1$  must be made clear for full marks.

2.

a)  $X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) z^{-n}$

b) ROC encloses the range of  $z$  for which the  $z$ -transform expression converges. Outside the ROC the  $z$ -transform does not exist in any meaningful way.

c) The  $z$ -transform in the discrete-time case corresponds to the Laplace transform in the continuous time case. Sketches should show the significance of the unit circle vs. the  $j\omega$  axis. The frequency response of discrete-time signals is periodic. These are compactly represented by multiple rotations around the unit circle in  $z$ .

d)  $h(n) = 0.5\delta(n) - (-1)^n u(n) - 1.5(-2)^n u(-n-1)$

3.

(a)

$$\mathbf{x} = [x(0) \ x(1) \ \dots \ x(N-1)]^T$$

$$\mathbf{X} = [X(0) \ X(1) \ \dots \ X(N-1)]^T$$

$$D_N = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & W_N & W_N^2 & & W_N^{N-1} \\ 1 & W_N^2 & W_N^4 & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & W_N^{N-1} & W_N^{2(N-1)} & \dots & W_N^{(N-1)(N-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)

$$x(n) = g(n) + jh(n)$$

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (g(n) + jh(n)) e^{-j2\pi kn/N}$$

$$X^*(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (g(n) - jh(n)) e^{j2\pi kn/N}$$

$$X^*(-k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (g(n) - jh(n)) e^{-j2\pi kn/N}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0.5(X(k) + X^*(-k)) &= 0.5 \left( \sum_n g(n) W_N^{kn} + j \sum_n h(n) W_N^{kn} + \sum_n g(n) W_N^{kn} - j \sum_n h(n) W_N^{kn} \right) \\ &= \sum_n g(n) W_N^{kn} \\ &= G(k) \end{aligned}$$

Similar expressions follow for  $H(k)$ .

(c)

Form the complex sequence from the 2 real sequences as

$x(n) = p(n) + jq(n)$  then

$$\begin{bmatrix} X(0) \\ X(1) \\ X(2) \\ X(3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & j & -1 & -j \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -j & -1 & j \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1+2j \\ 2+2j \\ j \\ 1+j \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4+6j \\ 2 \\ -2 \\ 2j \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X^*(k) = \{4 - j6 \quad 2 \quad -2 \quad -j2\}$$

$$X^*(-k) = \{4 - j6 \quad -j2 \quad -2 \quad 2\}$$

$$P(k) = \{4 \quad 1-j \quad -2 \quad 1+j\}$$

$$Q(k) = \{6 \quad 1-j \quad 0 \quad 1+j\}$$

4.  
(a)  
[Bookwork]

(b)  
bit-reversed addressing  
fast MAC

(c)

$$X_1 = X - az^{-1}X_3$$

$$X_2 = X_1 - dz^{-1}X_2$$

$$X_3 = X_2(e + z^{-1})$$

$$Y = bX_1 + cz^{-1}X_3$$

$$X_2 = \frac{X_1}{1 + dz^{-1}}$$

$$X_3 = \frac{e + z^{-1}}{1 + dz^{-1}} X_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= X - \frac{az^{-1}(e + z^{-1})}{1 + dz^{-1}} X_1 \\ &= \frac{(1 + dz^{-1})}{1 + (d + ae)z^{-1} + az^{-2}} X \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{Y}{X} = \frac{b + (bd + ce)z^{-1} + cz^{-2}}{1 + (d + ae)z^{-1} + az^{-2}} = \frac{c + (bd + ce)z^1 + bz^2}{a + (d + ae)z^1 + z^2}$$

The filter is therefore 2<sup>nd</sup> order IIR.

The zeros are given by  $\frac{-(bd + ce) \pm \sqrt{(bd + ce)^2 - 4bc}}{2c}$  and

the poles are given by  $\frac{-(d + ae) \pm \sqrt{(d + ae)^2 - 4a}}{2a}$ .

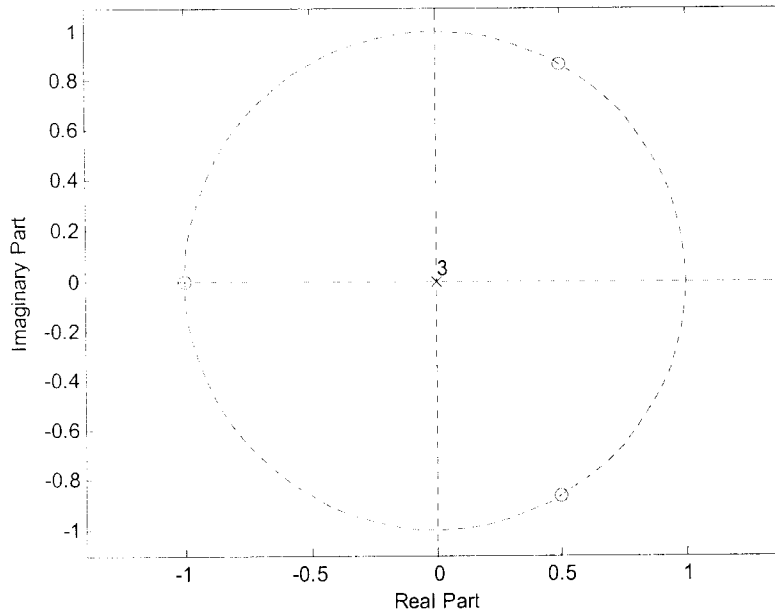
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(a)

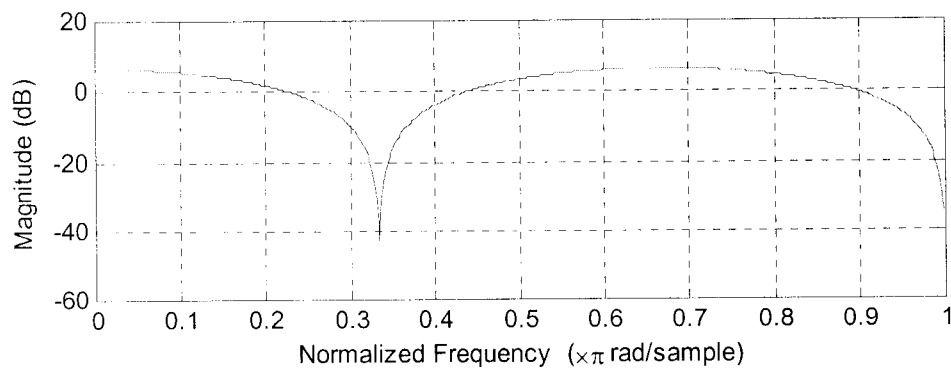
$$H(z) = 1 + z^{-3} = \frac{z^3 + 1}{z^3}$$

Considering the numerator, the solutions of  $z^3 = -1$  give zeros at  $-1, 0.5 + j0.866, 0.5000 - j0.866$ .

Consider the denominator, the solutions of  $z^3 = 0$  give 3 poles at the origin.



(b)



Frequency response is given by

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = 1 + e^{-j3\omega} = 1 + \cos 3\omega - j \sin 3\omega$$

$$|H(e^{j\omega})| = \sqrt{(1 + \cos 3\omega)^2 + (\sin 3\omega)^2} = \sqrt{2 + 2\cos 3\omega}$$

$$\text{For } \omega = \pi/8, \quad |H(e^{j\omega})| = \sqrt{2 + 2\cos(3\pi/8)} = 1.66 \approx 4.4 \text{ dB}$$

- (c) Group delay is the negative derivative of phase wrt frequency. Units of seconds.
- (d) For FIR filters such as this, the phase response is linear – only need to find the gradient of the linear function. Two frequency points are sufficient.

$$\angle H(e^{j\omega}) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\sin 3\omega}{1 + \cos 3\omega}\right)$$

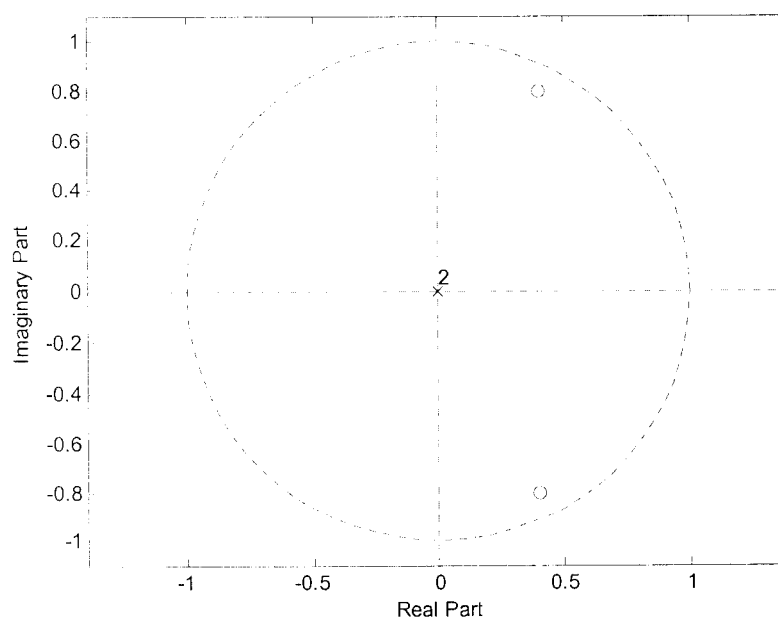
For  $\omega = 0$ ,  $\angle = 0$ .

$$\text{For } \omega = \pi/6, \quad \angle = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\sin \pi/2}{1 + \cos \pi/2}\right) = \tan^{-1}(1) = \pi/4$$

Therefore the group delay = 1.5T seconds at all frequencies.

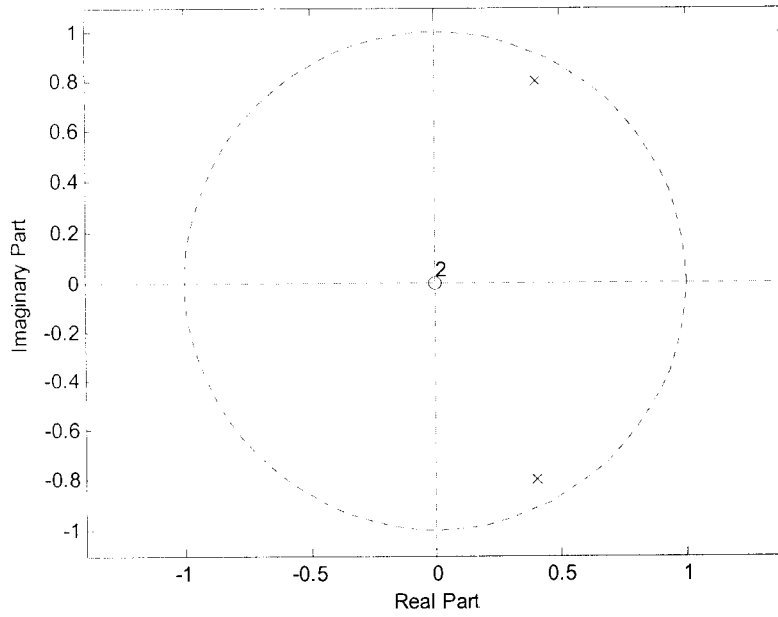
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- (a) Frequency response is the z-transform evaluated on the unit circle in the z-plane.
- (b)  $H(z) = 1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.8z^{-2}$  with roots at  $0.4 \pm j0.8$ .



- (c) Equalizer must have poles to cancel the zeros giving

$$G(z) = \frac{z^{-2}}{1 - 0.8z^{-1} + 0.8}$$



(d) In a non-minimum phase channel, the zeros are outside the unit circle and therefore give rise to unstable poles in the equalizer. A possible approach is to reflect the 'unstable' poles inside the unit circle which does not affect the magnitude response of the equalizer.