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ENGINEERING TRIPOS PART IIA

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Wednesday 24 April 2019 9.30 to 11.10

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**Module 3F1**

**SIGNALS & SYSTEMS**

*Answer not more than **three** questions.*

*All questions carry the same number of marks.*

*The **approximate** percentage of marks allocated to each part of a question is indicated in the right margin.*

*Write your candidate number **not** your name on the cover sheet.*

**STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS**

Single-sided script paper

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS TO BE SUPPLIED FOR THIS EXAM**

Engineering Data Book

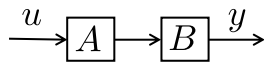
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**10 minutes reading time is allowed for this paper at the start of the exam.**

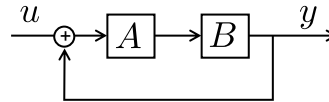
**You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed to do so.**

1 (a) State and prove the final value theorem for discrete time systems. [30%]

(b) Consider the open loop and closed loop discrete time systems shown in Figures (a) and (b):



(a) open loop system



(b) closed loop system

with transfer functions  $A(z) = \frac{1-3z}{3(1-z)}$  and  $B(z) = \frac{6}{(1-6z)}$ .

(i) Is the open loop system BIBO stable? Justify your answer. [10%]

(ii) Compute the pulse response of the open loop system. [20%]

(iii) Verify the final value theorem for the pulse response of the open loop system. Explain why the existence of a final value for a pulse input is consistent with your answer to part (i). [15%]

(iv) Compute the transfer function and pulse response of the closed loop system. Is the closed loop system stable? [25%]

2 (a) Using the inverse Fourier transform derive the discrete-time impulse response  $\{h_k\}$  of the ideal low pass filter  $\mathcal{H}$  with cutoff normalized frequency at  $\pi/2$ . Why is the filter not realizable? [20%]

(b) Using the impulse response of  $\mathcal{H}$  and the Hamming window

$$w_k = \begin{cases} 0.54 - 0.46 \cos(2\pi k/M) & 0 \leq k \leq M \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

derive the FIR low pass filter  $\mathcal{G}$  with impulse response  $\{g_k\}$  for  $0 \leq k \leq M = 2$ . Write down the numerical values of the samples and the difference equation of  $\mathcal{G}$ . [15%]

(c) What are the advantages of using the Hamming window over the rectangular window? Explain why windows introduce frequency distortion. [20%]

(d) Compute the transfer function  $G(z)$  of the FIR filter  $\mathcal{G}$  and use it to derive explicit expressions of magnitude and phase of the filter. Sketch magnitude and phase. [25%]

(e) What is the steady state response of  $\mathcal{G}$  to

(i) the sinusoidal input  $2 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}k\right)$  and

(ii) the unit step input?

(iii) Sketch the complete response to a unit step input (assume  $u_{-2} = u_{-1} = 0$ ).

[20%]

3 Modern high-end subwoofers typically operate in the frequency range 20 – 200 Hz and use filtering and feedback to improve acoustic performance. The dynamics of a subwoofer are captured by the continuous transfer function  $\bar{y}(s) = G_c(s)\bar{v}(s)$  from input voltage  $v$  to cone position  $y$ , given by

$$G_c(s) = \frac{10^5}{s(s^2 + 50s + 10^5)}.$$

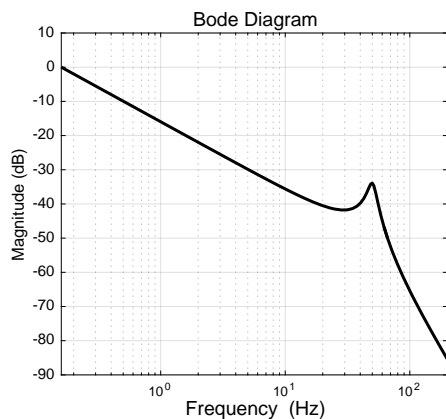
(a) For the sampling period  $T = 10^{-3}$ , using backward difference on  $G_c(s)$  derive the corresponding digital transfer function  $G_d(z)$ . [15%]

(b) Discuss the phenomenon of aliasing. Is the sampling period  $T = 10^{-3}$  sufficient to avoid aliasing for real signals band-limited between 20 – 200Hz? What is the maximum admissible sampling period? [20%]

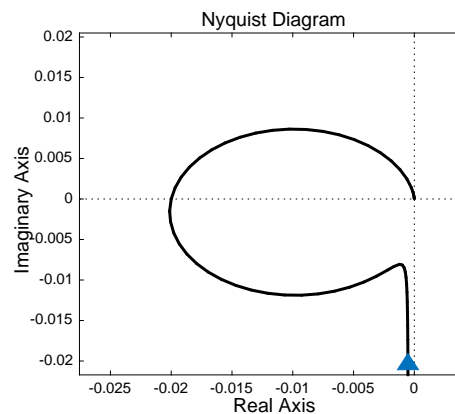
(c) The subwoofer has a resonance around 50Hz, as shown in Figure (a). Show that the resonance can be removed, improving acoustic performance, by pre-filtering every signal to the subwoofer with the filter

$$F(z) = 10 \frac{(z - 0.975e^{j0.1\pi})(z - 0.975e^{-j0.1\pi})}{z^2}. \quad [30\%]$$

(d) Servo-subwoofers use feedback to improve performance. Consider the proportional feedback controller  $v = k(r-y)$  where  $r$  is the reference input and  $k$  is the proportional gain. Complete the Nyquist diagram of  $G_d(z)$  in Figure (b) (sketch the complete diagram). State the Nyquist stability criterion and use it to determine the range of gains  $k$  that guarantee closed loop stability. [35%]



(a) Frequency response of  $G_c(s)$



(b) Nyquist diagram of  $G_d(z)$

- 4 (a) Let  $\{X(t)\}$  be a continuous-time random process.
- (i) Define the autocorrelation function of  $\{X(t)\}$ . [5%]
  - (ii) State and justify sufficient conditions on the autocorrelation function for  $\{X(t)\}$  to have a well-defined power spectral density,  $S_X$ . [10%]
  - (iii) Prove that if  $\{X(t)\}$  is Wide-Sense Stationary then  $S_X$  must be real-valued. [15%]
  - (iv) Derive conditions on the autocorrelation function of a continuous time random process that would give rise to a purely imaginary power spectral density. [15%]
- (b) A microscopic particle is confined in a microfluidic capillary and is modelled with the following equation of motion

$$m\ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} = W(t)$$

where  $m$  is the particle's mass,  $x$  is distance along the capillary,  $\gamma$  is viscous drag and  $\{W(t)\}$  is a zero-mean white noise process with  $S_W(\omega) = W_0$  that models the random impacts of fluid molecules on the particle.

- (i) With reference to the process  $\{W(t)\}$ , explain why the above model is necessarily an approximation of a true physical system. [5%]
- (ii) Express the autocorrelation function of the particle's velocity in terms of  $W_0$ . [10%]
- (iii) Suppose the particle's velocity is measured for a long time while filtering with an ideal filter,  $H$ , that has frequency response

$$H(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & |\omega| < \omega_0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Derive a formula for the measured mean-square velocity of the particle. [25%]

- (iv) Sketch the relationship between the measured mean-square velocity and the filter cutoff frequency,  $\omega_0$ . Use this sketch to explain why the approximate nature of the model might be reasonable. [15%]

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