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Review Session Problems

Problem 1 System Properties

Determine whether the following continuous time system is (i) memoryless, (ii) linear, (iii) time invariant, (iv) causal, (v) stable

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{2t} x(\tau) d\tau$$

Problem 2 (Convolution and Fourier representations.)



Figure 1: The signals for Problem 2, Part (a).

(a) Consider the two signals shown in Figure 1. Note that the signal $x_2(t)$ consists of three impulse functions,

$$x_2(t) = \delta(t-1) - \delta(t-2) + \frac{1}{2}\delta(t-4)$$
(1)

Sketch $x_1(t) * x_2(t)$, the convolution of the two signals. Label the axes carefully.

(b) The spectrum of the continuous-time signal x(t) is shown in Figure 2. Determine the signal x(t).



Figure 2: The spectrum for Problem 2, Part (b).

Problem 3 (Linear time-invariant system.)

A linear time-invariant system with input x(t) and output y(t) satisfies

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

- (a) Find the frequency response $H(j\omega)$ of the considered system.
- (b) For a = 1/2, sketch the magnitude of the frequency response $H(j\omega)$.
- (c) Find the output y(t) when the input is $\sin(2t)$.
- (d) For what values of a is the system stable? Justify your answer.

Problem 4 (Filtering.)

The signal x(t) with spectrum $X(j\omega)$ as shown in Figure 3 is passed through a linear time-invariant (LTI) system with impulse response

$$h(t) = 2\operatorname{sinc}(2t), \tag{3}$$

where

$$\operatorname{sinc}(t) = \frac{\sin(\pi t)}{\pi t}.$$
(4)

Denote the output of the system by y(t). Calculate the error between x(t) and y(t), given by

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| x(t) - y(t) \right|^2 dt.$$
(5)



Figure 3: The spectrum of the signal x(t).

Problem 5 (DTFT.)

For the discrete-time signal x[n] it is known that $X(e^{j\omega}) = 0$, for $|\omega| > \pi/4$. Determine the range of ω for which the DTFT of $y[n] = \cos(\frac{5\pi}{4}n)x[n]$ must be zero. *Hint:* Select an example spectrum $X(e^{j\omega})$ and sketch the resulting DTFT of y[n].

Problem 6 (Sampling.)

We would like to construct a system D that implements a derivative, that is, for an input x(t), the system should give an output y(t) given by

$$y(t) = D\{x(t)\} = \frac{dx(t)}{dt}.$$
 (6)

It is suggested to use the following system:

$$\underbrace{x(t)}_{\text{intervals }T} \xrightarrow{z(t)} \underbrace{\text{Sampling at}}_{\text{intervals }T} \underbrace{z[n]}_{\text{G}(e^{j\Omega})} \underbrace{y_1[n]}_{\text{Reconstruction}} \xrightarrow{\tilde{y}(t)}$$

where

$$G(e^{j\Omega}) = j\frac{\Omega}{T}, \text{ for } |\Omega| \le \pi.$$
 (7)

This system does not exactly implement the desired system D. Instead, it produces an output $\tilde{y}(t)$ which is, in general, not equal to the desired output y(t).

(a) Suppose that

$$H(j\omega) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } |\omega| \le \pi/T \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
(8)

- Determine and sketch the overall frequency response (magnitude and phase) of the system with input x(t) and output $\tilde{y}(t)$.
- For the test signal x(t) with Fourier transform

$$X(j\omega) = e^{-|\omega|}, \tag{9}$$

determine the error between the desired signal, y(t), and the actual system output, $\tilde{y}(t)$, given by

$$E = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y(t) - \tilde{y}(t)|^2 dt, \qquad (10)$$

as a function of the sampling interval T. What happens as we increase the sampling frequency?

(b) Unfortunately, it is quite difficult to exactly implement ideal frequency filters like $H(j\omega)$ in Part (a). As a simple model of this imperfection, suppose now that

$$H(j\omega) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } |\omega| \le \pi/T \\ \epsilon & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
(11)

For the same test signal as in Part (a), that is, $X(j\omega) = e^{-|\omega|}$, determine the spectrum $Z_{\delta}(j\omega)$ of the sampled signal,

$$z_{\delta}(t) = z(t) \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - kT).$$
(12)

- Start with a sketch of $Z_{\delta}(j\omega)$, carefully labeling the *frequency* axis.
- Which adverse effect corrupts the signal $z_{\delta}(t)$?
- Then, write out a formula for $Z_{\delta}(j\omega)$. The simpler your formula, the better.