ECE-700 Practice Midterm Exam

## PRACTICE MIDTERM EXAMINATION

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## Instructions:

- Do not turn over this cover page until instructed to do so.
- You will have 120 minutes to complete this exam.
- You are allowed to consult the letter-sized piece of paper which you have prepared beforehand. You are not allowed to consult any other books, notes, or people.
- Please write clearly and include sufficient explanation with all of your answers.
- If you write on the backs of the pages, indicate this so the grader does not miss your work.
- Do not unstaple the test pages.

1. Given the following multirate system, derive an expression for the DTFT of y[m] in terms of the DTFT of x[n].



2. We are interested in decimating a real-valued input by factor 12 using the three-stage structure below. We want to prevent aliasing in the output spectrum up to bandwidth  $\omega_o$  radians. Assume that the input is "fullband," i.e., has uniform spectral density.

$$x[n] \longrightarrow H_0(z) \longrightarrow \downarrow 2 \longrightarrow H_1(z) \longrightarrow \downarrow 2 \longrightarrow H_2(z) \longrightarrow \downarrow 3 \longrightarrow y[m]$$

Specify the passband and stopband edges of  $H_0(z)$ ,  $H_1(z)$ , and  $H_2(z)$  which leave the widest possible transition band(s) to ensure the aliasing behavior described above. Summarize your answers in the table below. It is sufficient to specify the positive edge frequencies. (*Hint*: Consider the design of each stage separately.)

	passband edge	stopband $edge(s)$
$H_0(z)$		
$H_1(z)$		
$H_2(z)$		

3. Say that we are given a "broken" sampler that generates samples y[n] of input signal  $x_c(t)$  according to

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} x_c(nT) & \text{even integers } n, \\ x_c(nT + \Delta) & \text{odd integers } n, \end{cases}$$

where  $\Delta \in (-T, T)$  is not necessarily an integer. Assume that  $x_c(t)$  is bandlimited to  $\frac{1}{2T}$  Hz. The structure in the figure below right is proposed to "fix" the sampler.



- (a) Derive an expression for  $Y(e^{j\omega})$ , the DTFT of y[n], in terms of  $X_c(\Omega)$ , the CTFT of x(t).
- (b) Evaluate your answer to (a) for the case  $\Delta = 0$ . Does it make sense?
- (c) Show that the block diagram can be simplified such that the downsamplers (and several other elements) disappear.
- (d) Suppose that  $F(e^{j\omega}) = 1$  and  $G(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-j\omega\frac{\Delta}{2T}}$  for  $\omega \in [-\pi, \pi)$ . Do these choices yield  $w[n] = x_c(nT)$ ? In other words, have we fixed the broken sampler?

In answering the questions above, it may help to recall that  $U(e^{j\omega})$ , the discrete-time Fourier transform (DTFT) of u[n], is related to  $U_c(\Omega)$ , the continuous-time Fourier transform (CTFT) of  $u_c(t)$ , as follows when  $u[n] = u_c(nT)$ :

$$U(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} U_c \left(\frac{\omega - 2\pi k}{T}\right).$$