

EE 301 Midterm Exam #1  
October 1, Fall 2003

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**Instructions:**

- Follow all instructions carefully!
- This is a 60 minute exam containing **4** problems totaling 120 points.
- You may **only** use your brain and a pencil (or pen) to complete this exam. You **may not** use your book, notes or a calculator.

**Good Luck.**

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**Problem 1.**(30pt)

**a) *LTI Systems***

Consider an LTI system with impulse response  $h(t) = e^{-at}u(t)$  and input  $x(t) = u(t)$ .  
Compute the output  $y(t)$ .

**b) *Formal Logic***

Negate the logical statement  $\forall x, Px \Rightarrow Qx$

**c) *Logical Statements***

Consider the following definition: “A signal  $x(t)$  is **bounded** if there exists an  $M > 0$  such that for all  $t$ ,  $|x(t)| < M$ .”

Give the definition of an **unbounded** signal.

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**Problem 2.**(30pt) *LTI System Properties*

Consider the following LTI system

$$y(t) = \int_0^{\infty} g(\tau)x(t - \tau)d\tau$$

where  $g(t) > 0$  for all  $t$ .

- a) Prove that the system is linear.
- b) Compute the system's impulse response.
- c) Is the system, memoryless? Why?
- d) Is the system, causal? Why?

**Problem 3.**(30pt) *Sinusoidal Inputs to LTI Systems*

Consider the discrete-time LTI system

$$y_n = h_n * x_n$$

where  $h_n$  is the real-valued impulse response of the system.

a) Show that if  $x_n = e^{j\omega n}$  then the output has the form  $y_n = Ce^{j\omega n}$  where  $C$  is a complex number.

b) Calculate an expression for  $C$  in terms of the function  $h_n$ .

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**Problem 4.**(30pt) *Digital to Analog Conversion*

Consider a linear system

$$y(t) = \mathcal{S}[x_n]$$

with discrete-time input  $x_n$  and continuous time output  $y(t)$ .

Assume there exists a period  $T$  such that if  $y(t) = \mathcal{S}[x_n]$  then  $y(t - kT) = \mathcal{S}[x_{n-k}]$  for all integers  $k$ . Notice that this property is similar to time invariance.

Further define the function

$$h(t) \triangleq \mathcal{S}[\delta_n]$$

as the response of the system to a discrete-time impulse.

- a) Determine the response of the system to  $x_n = \delta_{n-k}$ , a DT delta function at time  $k$ . Justify (prove) your answer.
- b) Determine the response of the system to any DT input  $x_n$ . Justify (prove) your answer.
- c) Explain in words why this system might be useful.