

Q. 1.16 from textbook ch. 1 (Topic: System Properties, A very simple one)

**1.16.** Consider a discrete-time system with input  $x[n]$  and output  $y[n]$ . The input-output relationship for this system is

$$y[n] = x[n]x[n - 2].$$

- (a) Is the system memoryless?
- (b) Determine the output of the system when the input is  $A\delta[n]$ , where  $A$  is any real or complex number.
- (c) Is the system invertible?

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- 1.16. (a) The system is not memoryless because  $y[n]$  depends on past values of  $x[n]$ .
  - (b) The output of the system will be  $y[n] = \delta[n]\delta[n - 2] = 0$ .
  - (c) From the result of part (b), we may conclude that the system output is always zero for inputs of the form  $\delta[n - k]$ ,  $k \in \mathcal{I}$ . Therefore, the system is not invertible.
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Q. 1.27 from textbook ch. 1 (Topic: System Properties )

**1.27.** In this chapter, we introduced a number of general properties of systems. In particular, a system may or may not be

- (1) Memoryless
- (2) Time invariant
- (3) Linear
- (4) Causal
- (5) Stable

Determine which of these properties hold and which do not hold for each of the following continuous-time systems. Justify your answers. In each example,  $y(t)$  denotes the system output and  $x(t)$  is the system input.

(a)  $y(t) = x(t - 2) + x(2 - t)$

(b)  $y(t) = [\cos(3t)]x(t)$

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

(d)  $y(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < 0 \\ x(t) + x(t - 2), & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$

(e)  $y(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & x(t) < 0 \\ x(t) + x(t - 2), & x(t) \geq 0 \end{cases}$

(f)  $y(t) = x(t/3)$

(g)  $y(t) = \frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2}$

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- 1.27. (a) Linear, stable.  
 (b) Memoryless, linear, causal, stable.  
 (c) Linear  
 (d) Linear, causal, stable.  
 (e) Time invariant, linear, causal, stable.  
 (f) Linear, stable.  
 (g) Time invariant, linear, causal.

Q. 1.37 from textbook ch. 1 (Topic: Correlation)

1.37. An important concept in many communications applications is the *correlation* between two signals. In the problems at the end of Chapter 2, we will have more to say about this topic and will provide some indication of how it is used in practice. For now, we content ourselves with a brief introduction to correlation functions and some of their properties.

Let  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  be two signals; then the *correlation function* is defined as

$$\phi_{xy}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t + \tau)y(\tau)d\tau.$$

The function  $\phi_{xx}(t)$  is usually referred to as the *autocorrelation function* of the signal  $x(t)$ , while  $\phi_{xy}(t)$  is often called a *cross-correlation function*.

- (a) What is the relationship between  $\phi_{xy}(t)$  and  $\phi_{yx}(t)$ ?  
 (b) Compute the odd part of  $\phi_{xx}(t)$ .  
 (c) Suppose that  $y(t) = x(t + T)$ . Express  $\phi_{xy}(t)$  and  $\phi_{yy}(t)$  in terms of  $\phi_{xx}(t)$ .

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1.37. (a) From the definition of  $\phi_{xy}(t)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{xy}(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t + \tau)y(\tau)d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y(-t + \tau)x(\tau)d\tau \\ &= \phi_{yx}(-t). \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Note from part (a) that  $\phi_{xx}(t) = \phi_{xx}(-t)$ . This implies that  $\phi_{xx}(t)$  is even. Therefore, the odd part of  $\phi_{xx}(t)$  is zero.  
 (c) Here,  $\phi_{xy}(t) = \phi_{xx}(t - T)$  and  $\phi_{yy}(t) = \phi_{xx}(t)$ .

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Q. 1.42 from textbook ch. 1 (Topic: System Interconnections)

1.42. (a) Is the following statement true or false?

The series interconnection of two linear time-invariant systems is itself a linear, time-invariant system.

Justify your answer.

(b) Is the following statement true or false?

The series interconnection of two nonlinear systems is itself nonlinear.

Justify your answer.

(c) Consider three systems with the following input-output relationships:

$$\text{System 1: } y[n] = \begin{cases} x[n/2], & n \text{ even} \\ 0, & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{System 2: } y[n] = x[n] + \frac{1}{2}x[n-1] + \frac{1}{4}x[n-2].$$

$$\text{System 3: } y[n] = x[2n].$$

Suppose that these systems are connected in series as depicted in Figure P1.42. Find the input-output relationship for the overall interconnected system. Is this system linear? Is it time invariant?

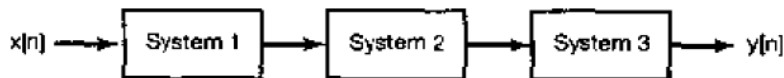


Figure P1.42

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- 1.42. (a) Consider two systems  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  connected in series. Assume that if  $x_1(t)$  and  $x_2(t)$  are the inputs to  $S_1$ , then  $y_1(t)$  and  $y_2(t)$  are the outputs, respectively. Also, assume that if  $y_1(t)$  and  $y_2(t)$  are the inputs to  $S_2$ , then  $z_1(t)$  and  $z_2(t)$  are the outputs, respectively. Since  $S_1$  is linear, we may write

$$ax_1(t) + bx_2(t) \xrightarrow{S_1} ay_1(t) + by_2(t),$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. Since  $S_2$  is also linear, we may write

$$ay_1(t) + by_2(t) \xrightarrow{S_2} az_1(t) + bz_2(t),$$

We may therefore conclude that

$$ax_1(t) + bx_2(t) \xrightarrow{S_1, S_2} az_1(t) + bz_2(t).$$

Therefore, the series combination of  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is linear.

Since  $S_1$  is time invariant, we may write

$$x_1(t - T_0) \xrightarrow{S_1} y_1(t - T_0)$$

and

$$y_1(t - T_0) \xrightarrow{S_2} z_1(t - T_0).$$

Therefore,

$$x_1(t - T_0) \xrightarrow{S_1, S_2} z_1(t - T_0).$$

Therefore, the series combination of  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is time invariant.

- (b) False. Let  $y(t) = x(t) + 1$  and  $z(t) = y(t) - 1$ . These correspond to two nonlinear systems. If these systems are connected in series, then  $z(t) = x(t)$  which is a linear system.

- (c) Let us name the output of system 1 as  $w[n]$  and the output of system 2 as  $z[n]$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} y[n] &= z[2n] = w[2n] + \frac{1}{2}w[2n - 1] + \frac{1}{4}w[2n - 2] \\ &= x[n] + \frac{1}{2}x[n - 1] + \frac{1}{4}x[n - 2] \end{aligned}$$

The overall system is linear and time-invariant.

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