

# **ECE-420**

## **Exam 1**

### **Fall 2015**

**Calculators and Laptops cannot be used. You must show your work to receive credit.**

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1a) Use long division to determine the first three nonzero terms in **the impulse response** for the following transfer function  $H(z) = \frac{z+1}{z^2+z+1}$

1b) Assume a system has impulse response  $h(n) = (0.5)^n u(n)$  Determine the output if the input is  $x(n) = 2\delta(n) - 3\delta(n-2)$

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2) Assume we have a process which we expect to be able to model as  $g(t) = \alpha t + \beta$ . We perform an experiment and determine values for  $g(t)$  for a number of different values of  $t$ , so we have the values

$$t_0, g(t_0)$$

$$t_1, g(t_1)$$

$$t_2, g(t_2)$$

$$t_3, g(t_3)$$

$$t_4, g(t_4)$$

We want to estimate  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  using a least squares type of approach, with the model  $z = Aw$ . Describe how you would do this. Be sure in your description, to indicate what the  $z$ ,  $w$ , and  $A$  are in terms of the values given  $t_i, g(t_i)$

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3) Determine the rank of each of the following matrices (just write the number):

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

4) Consider the discrete-time state variable system,

$$x(n+1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x(n) + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u(n)$$

Assuming we start at the origin (the point 0,0) after 3 time steps we have

$$x(3) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u(0) \\ u(1) \\ u(2) \end{bmatrix} = Au$$

- a) If the input is  $u^T = [1 \ 1 \ 1]$  determine  $x(3)$
- b) Find a **unit vector** in the null space of the matrix A
- c) Is the input vector in step (a) the input with the smallest magnitude to go from the origin to the point  $x(3)$ ? Explain your answer.

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5) Use a Lagrange multiplier to find the point on the plane  $2x + 4y - 6 = 0$  nearest the origin

- 6) Consider the overdetermined system  $Ax = b$ . Rather than just performing a normal least squares solution, we want to penalize the magnitude of the solution by some weighting scalar  $\mu$ . Thus we want to find the value of  $x$  that minimizes

$$H = \|Ax - b\|^2 + \mu \|x\|^2 = (Ax - b)^T (Ax - b) + \mu (x^T I x)$$

- a) Show that the solution to the above minimization problem is given by  $x = (A^T A + \mu I)^{-1} A^T b$
- b) Assume now we compute the singular value decomposition of  $A$ ,  $A = USV^T$ . Recall that  $U$  and  $V$  are unitary matrices, so  $U^T U = V^T V = I$ . This means that  $U^{-1} = U^T$  and  $V^{-1} = V^T$ .  $S$  is a diagonal matrix with elements  $\sigma_i$  on the diagonal (assume  $S$  has full rank and is invertible). Assume that we can write  $b = U\beta$  and  $x = V\alpha$ . Determine how  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are related. *Hint: it may be helpful to write  $I = VIV^T$*

*Hints:  $\mu$  is **not** a Lagrange multiplier, there are no Lagrange multipliers in this problem. You can do both parts of this problem independently.*

*Cultural Point: This technique is known as zero order Tikhonov regularization.*

- 7) For impulse response  $h(n) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u(n-2)$  and input  $x(n) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-n} u(-n+1)$ , the system output can be written as  $A(n)u(n-3) + B(n)u(2-n)$ . Determine an expression for **both**  $A(n)$  **and**  $B(n)$ . You do not need to simplify your expression but you must evaluate all sums. For my sanity (not that you care), evaluate the convolution using the form  $y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{k=\infty} h(n-k)x(k)$



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