## CENG 4480 Midterm (Fall 2018)

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## **Solutions**

- Q1 (40%) Check or fill the correct answer:
  - 1. A circuit where the input signal power is less than the output signal power is called **amplifier/attenuator**.
  - 2. The effect of the **positive/negative** feedback connection from output to inverting input is to force  $V^+$  to be equal to  $V^-$ . A Schmitt Trigger based on inverting comparator has a **positive/negative** feedback.

  - 4. Given a differentiator circuit and a sine wave as input signal, the waveform of the output is **cosine/square**.
  - 5. The sampling rate of the ADC used depends on the maximum frequency  $f_{max}$  of input signal. According to Nyquist sampling theorem, the sampling frequency  $f_{sampling}$  should be **greater/lesser** or equal to **two/three** times  $f_{max}$ .
  - 6. When measuring angles by IMU, the measurement from **gyroscopes/accelerometers** has the tendency to drift.
  - 7. high-pass filter/sample-and-hold circuit is used to reduce the glitch.
  - 8. Given the same corner frequency, which low-pass filter has a better filtering performance? **one-pole low-pass filter /two-pole low-pass filter**
  - 9. Give a reason why Arduino is so popular.
  - 10. Light-to-voltage optical sensors contains **photodiode/amplifier** to sense light intensity change.

## A1 1. amplifier

- 2. negative, positive
- 3. 70.7
- 4. cosine
- 5. greater, two
- 6. gyroscopes
- 7. sample-and-hold circuit
- 8. two-pole low-pass filter
- 9. open-source hardware; cheap; modular...
- 10. photodiode

Q2 (15%) Determine the output voltage (i.e. the mathematical expression of  $V_{out}(t)$ ) for the integrator circuit of Figure 1a if the input is a square wave of amplitude  $\pm A$  and period T shown in Figure 1b. Try to sketch the waveform of output. Assume T = 100ms,  $C_F = 0.1\mu F$ ,  $R_s = 100k\Omega$  and ideal op-amp. The square wave starts at t = 0 and therefore  $V_{out}(0) = 0$ .

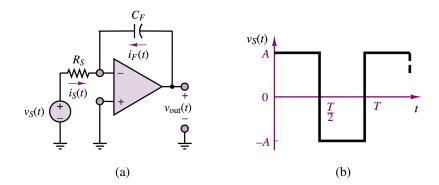


Figure 1: (a) Op-amp integrator; (b) Input of a square wave.

## A2 We write the expression for the output of the integrator:

$$\begin{aligned} v_{out}(t) &= -\frac{1}{R_s C_F} \int_{-\infty}^t v_s(t') dt' \\ &= -\frac{1}{R_s C_F} \left( \int_{-\infty}^0 v_s(t') dt' + \int_0^t v_s(t') dt' \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{R_s C_F} \int_0^t v_s(t') dt'. \end{aligned}$$
(1)

Next, we note that we can integrate the square wave in a piecewise fashion by observing that  $v_s(t) = A$  for  $0 \le t < T/2$  and  $v_s(t) = -A$  for  $T/2 \le t < T$ . We consider the first half of the waveform:

and

$$v_{out}(t) = v_{out}(\frac{T}{2}) - \frac{1}{R_s C_F} \int_{T/2}^t v_s(t') dt'$$
  
=  $-100A \frac{T}{2} + 100A(t - \frac{T}{2})$   
=  $-100A(T - t)$   $T/2 \le t < T.$  (3)

Since the waveform is periodic, the above result will repeat with period T, as shown in Figure 2.

Q3 (15%) Assume op-amps are ideal. Given  $R_1 = 0.2M\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 0.5M\Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 2M\Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 5k\Omega$ ,  $R_5 = 2M\Omega$ , and  $C_1 = 2\mu F$ ,  $C_2 = 0.5\mu F$ , derive the differential equation

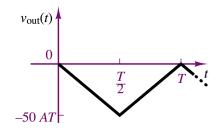


Figure 2: The sketch of output of integrator.

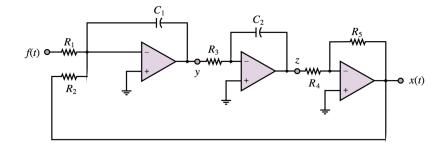


Figure 3: Analog computer simulation of unknown system.

corresponding to the analog computer simulator of Figure 3, i.e. the mathematical relationship between f and x. Note that f(t) is input signal, y and z are outputs of corresponding op-amps.

A3 We start the analysis from the right-hand side of the circuit, to determine the intermediate variable z as a function of x(t):

$$x = -\frac{R_5}{R_4}z = -400z.$$
 (4)

Next, we move to the left to determine the relationship between y and z:

$$z = -\frac{1}{R_3 C_2} \int y(t') dt',$$
(5)

or

$$y = -\frac{dz}{dt}.$$
 (6)

Finally, we determine y as a function of x and f:

$$y = -\frac{1}{R_2 C_1} \int x(t') dt' - \frac{1}{R_1 C_1} \int f(t') dt'$$
  
=  $-\int [x(t') + 2.5f(t')] dt',$  (7)

or

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -x - 2.5f. \tag{8}$$

Substituting the expressions into one another and eliminating the variables y and z, we obtain the differential equation in x:

$$x = -400z$$
  

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -400\frac{dz}{dt} = 400y$$
  

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 400\frac{dy}{dt} = -400(x + 2.5f).$$
(9)

Q4 (15%)

For the DAC circuit shown in Figure 4 (using an ideal op-amp), what value of  $R_F$  will give an output range of  $-15 \le V_0 \le 0V$ ? Assume that logic 0 = 0V and logic 1 = 5V.

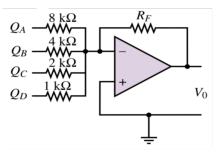


Figure 4: RF-DAC.

A4 We have the above equation:

$$\frac{-V_0}{R_F} = \left(\frac{Q_A}{8k\Omega} + \frac{Q_B}{4k\Omega} + \frac{Q_C}{2k\Omega} + \frac{Q_D}{1k\Omega}\right) \times 5V \tag{10}$$

when input equals 0000,  $V_0 = 0V$ , when input equals 1111,  $V_0 = -15V$ . So we get:

$$R_F = \frac{15 \times 8}{15 \times 5} = \frac{8}{5} K\Omega \tag{11}$$

Q5 (15%)

Assume the linear estimate system equation is  $x_{t+1} = Ax_t + Bu_{t+1} + w_t$ . Given a second-autoregression random series:

$$x(t) = 2.14x(t-1) - 0.50x(t-2) + u(t) + \omega_t$$
(12)

Kalman Filter is used to estimate x(t) (Here x(t) is a scalar). Try to give the formulations of state transition matrices A, B, and noise vector  $w_t$ .

A9

$$\boldsymbol{A} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1\\ -0.50 & 2.14 \end{array}\right) \tag{13}$$

$$\boldsymbol{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{14}$$

or

$$\boldsymbol{B} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{array}\right) \tag{15}$$

$$\boldsymbol{w}_t = \left(\begin{array}{c} 0\\ \omega_t \end{array}\right) \tag{16}$$