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NAME: Solutions

Problem	Grade	Points	Grader
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### Problem 1 (28%)

In figure 1-1 are two systems consisting of a compressor and an expander.

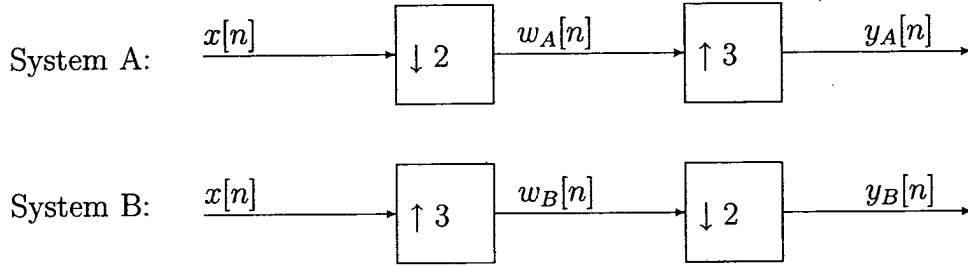


Figure 1-1:

- (a) (4%) For  $x[n]$  as shown in figure 1-2 sketch  $y_A[n]$  and  $y_B[n]$  (assume  $x[n] = 0$  outside the interval shown).

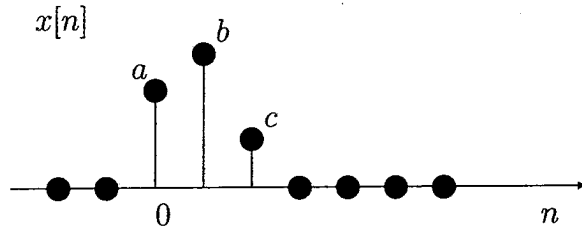
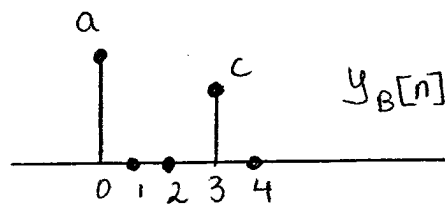
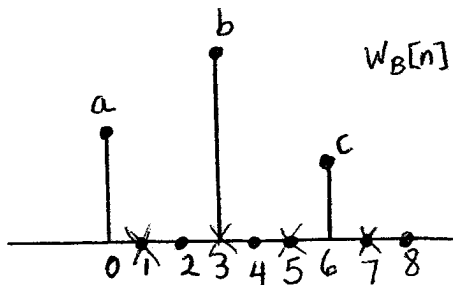
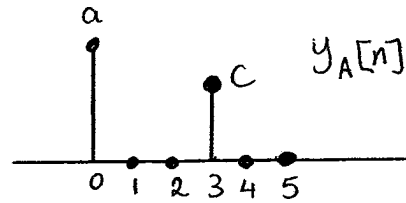
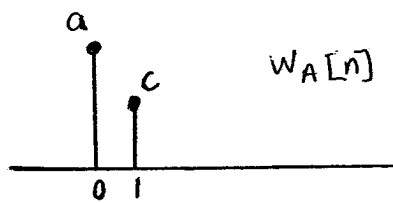


Figure 1-2:



(b) (6%) For  $X(e^{j\omega})$  as shown in figure 1-3, sketch  $W_a(e^{j\omega})$  and  $Y_A(e^{j\omega})$ .

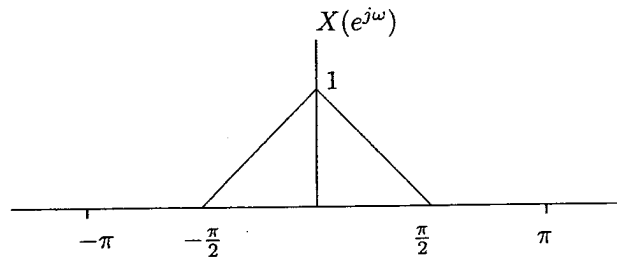
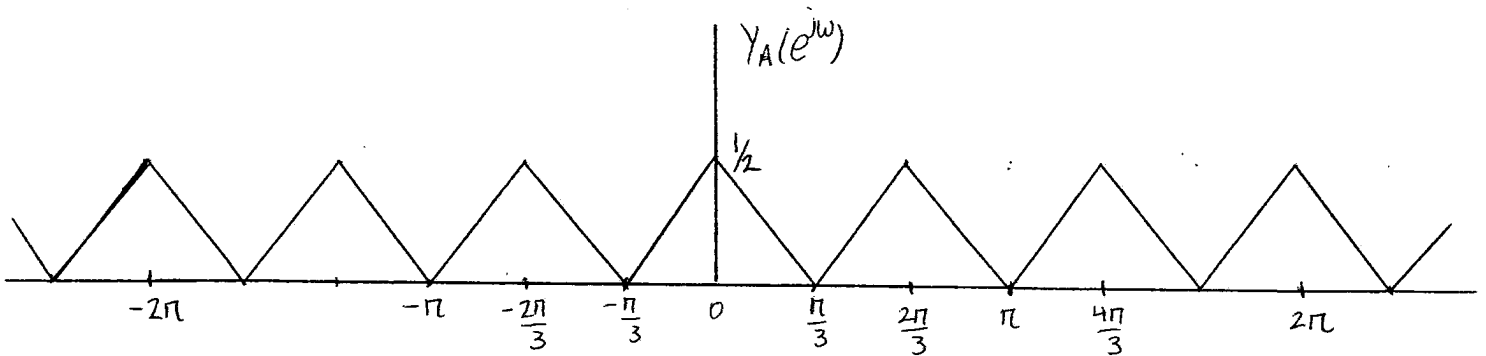
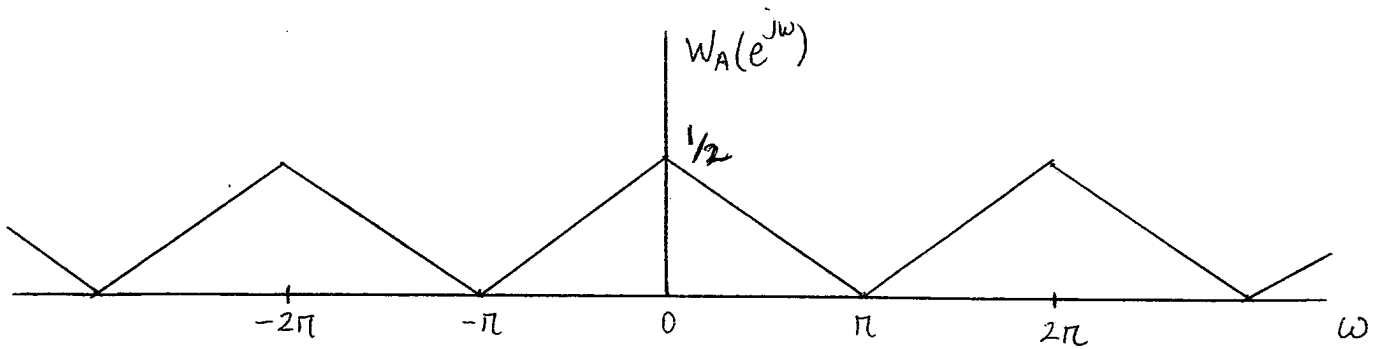


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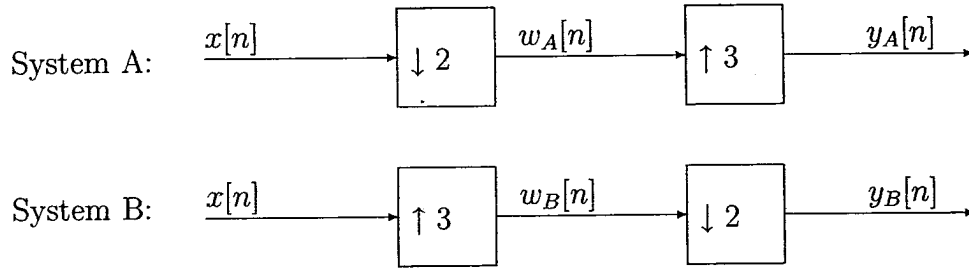


Figure 1-1 repeated for your convenience.

- (c) (8%)  $X(e^{j\omega})$  denotes the Fourier transform for an arbitrary  $x[n]$ . Express  $Y_B(e^{j\omega})$  in terms of  $X(e^{j\omega})$ . Your answer should be in the form of an equation, not a sketch for a specific Fourier transform.

$$w_B(e^{j\omega}) = x(e^{j3\omega}) \quad , \quad Y_B(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ w_B(e^{j\frac{\omega}{2}}) + w_B(e^{j(\frac{\omega}{2}-\pi)}) \right]$$

$$Y_B(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x(e^{j\frac{3\omega}{2}}) + x(e^{j3(\frac{\omega}{2}-\pi)}) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x(e^{j\frac{3\omega}{2}}) + x(e^{j\frac{3\omega}{2}-3\pi}) \right]$$

$$Y_B(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x(e^{j\frac{3\omega}{2}}) + x(e^{j\frac{3\omega}{2}-\pi}) \right]$$

- (d) (10%) For any arbitrary  $x[n]$ , will  $y_A[n] = y_B[n]$ ? If your answer is yes, algebraically justify your answer. If your answer is no, clearly explain or give a counterexample.

Yes.

$$Y_A(e^{j\omega}) = w_A(e^{j3\omega}) \quad , \quad w_A(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x(e^{j\frac{\omega}{2}}) + x(e^{j(\frac{\omega}{2}-\pi)}) \right]$$

$$Y_A(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x(e^{j\frac{3\omega}{2}}) + x(e^{j(\frac{3\omega}{2}-\pi)}) \right] \quad , \quad \therefore Y_A(e^{j\omega}) = Y_B(e^{j\omega})$$

Therefore  $y_A[n] = y_B[n]$  for any arbitrary  $x[n]$ .

Additional Information: This result holds whenever the rate of expansion and compression are coprime.

**Problem 2 (28%)**

Consider the system in Figure 2-1.

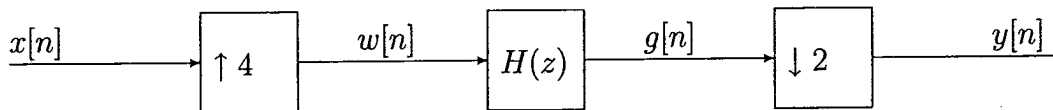


Figure 2-1:

We would like to implement the overall system (i.e. from  $x[n]$  to  $y[n]$ ) as efficiently as possible in terms of the number of multipliers per output sample, the total number of compressor/expander blocks, and the total number of delay elements.

- (a) (8%) If  $H(z) = \frac{1 - cz^{-1}}{1 - az^{-1}}$ , where  $a$  and  $c$  are arbitrary and the system must be implemented exactly as shown in figure 2-1, with  $H(z)$  in direct form, determine the required number of multipliers for each value of  $y[n]$ .

We have 2 multipliers for each value of  $g[n]$ .  
 Then, going through the decimator  $\boxed{\downarrow 2}$  we get  
 4 multipliers for each value of  $y[n]$ . Since  
 we have one value of  $y[n]$  for every  
 2 values of  $g[n]$ .

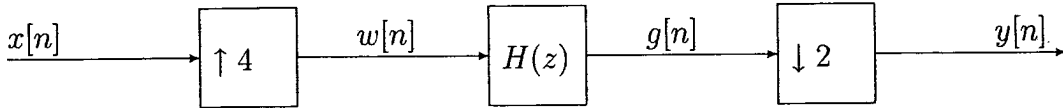
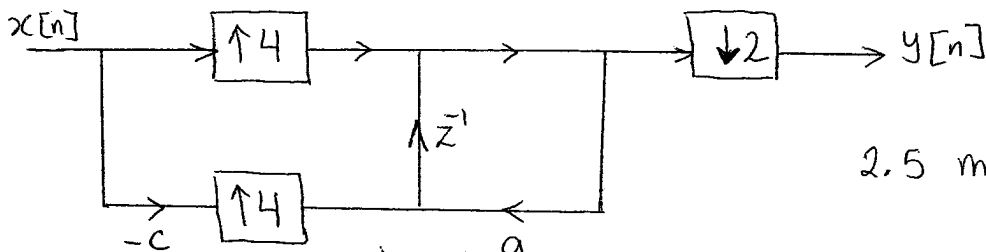
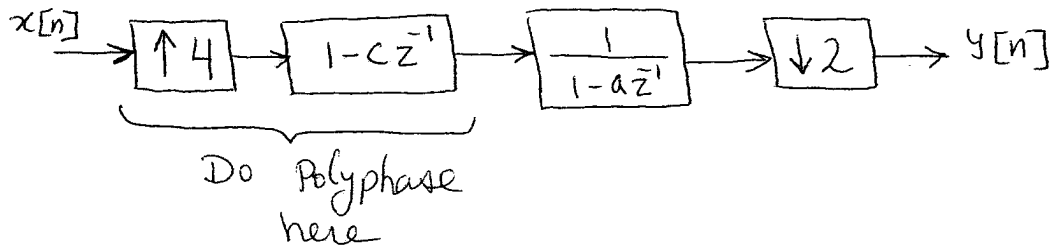


Figure 2-1 repeated for your convenience

For parts (b) and (c) assume that the cost of each multiply per output sample  $y[n]$  is 10, the cost of each compressor or expander block is 5, and the cost of each delay is 2.

- (b) (10%) If  $H(z) = \frac{1 - cz^{-1}}{1 - az^{-1}}$ , determine the flowgraph or block diagram of the overall system which minimizes the implementation cost of the overall system in Figure 2-1, and the total cost of the implementation.



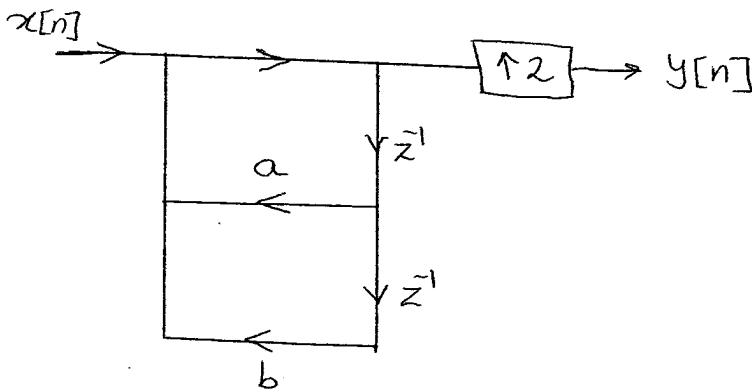
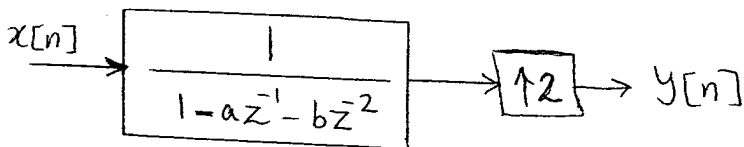
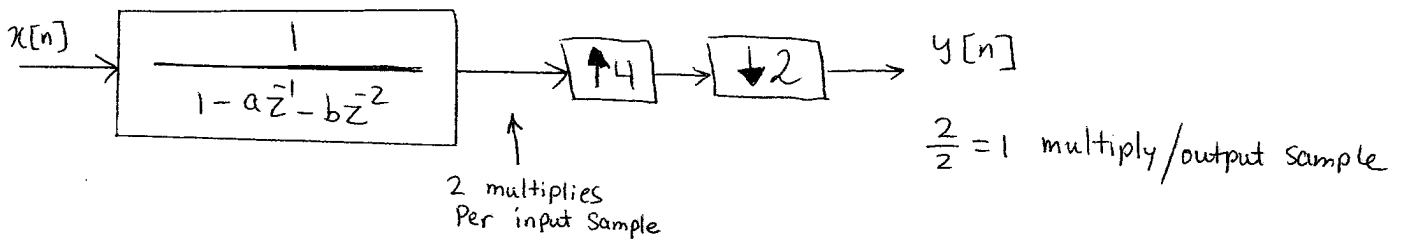
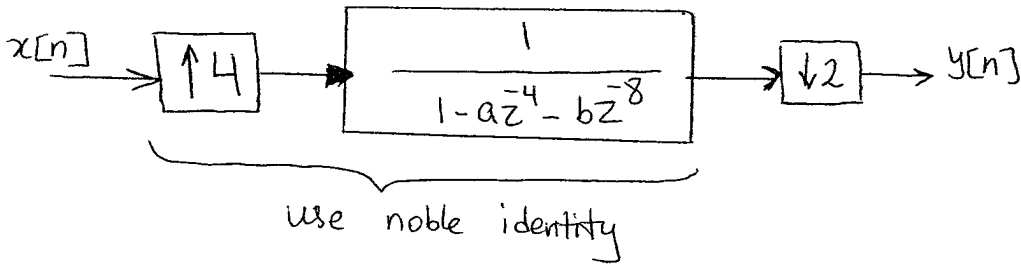
2.5 multiplies/output sample

Share the delay with the pole.

Total Cost:  $10 \times 2.5 + 3 \times 5 + 2 = 42$

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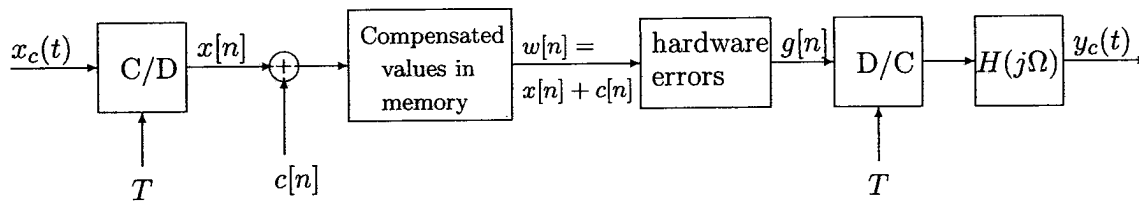
- (c) (10%) If  $H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - az^{-4} - bz^{-8}}$ , determine the flowgraph or block diagram of the overall system which minimizes the implementation cost of the overall system in Figure 2-1, and the total cost of the implementation.



Total Cost:  $1 \times 10 + 2 \times 2 + 1 \times 5 = 19$

### Problem 3 (20%)

A bandlimited signal  $x_c(t)$  has been sampled and the samples have been stored in memory. The samples are to be converted to a continuous-time signal  $y_c(t)$  through an ideal C/D converter. It is known that because of a hardware fault, the input to the D/C will be faulty. The objective in this problem is to consider the possibility of pre-compensating  $x[n]$  in memory so that the reconstructed signal  $y_c(t)$  at the output will equal  $x_c(t)$



$$X_c(j\Omega) = 0, \text{ for } |\Omega| > \frac{2\pi}{3T}$$

$$w[n] = x[n] + c[n]$$

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = 0, \text{ for } \frac{2\pi}{3} < |\omega| < \pi$$

$$H(j\Omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } |\Omega| \leq \frac{2\pi}{3T} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) (10%) For this part assume that  $c[n] = 0$  (i.e. there's no compensation and, consequently,  $w[n] = x[n]$ .) Assume further that the hardware errors have the effect of adding an undesired signal to  $w[n]$ , i.e.  $g[n] = x[n] + e[n]$ . Under what constraints on  $e[n]$  or its Fourier transform  $E(e^{j\omega})$  will  $y_c(t) = x_c(t)$ ? Clearly explain your answer.

If  $E(e^{j\omega}) = 0$  for  $|\omega| < \frac{2\pi}{3}$  the LPF  $H(j\Omega)$  will eliminate the error from the signal.



- (b) (10%) For this part assume that the effect of the hardware error is to always force  $g[0]$  to be zero. In designing the compensating signal we note that if  $c[0] = -x[0]$  then  $w[0] = 0$ . Then the hardware error will not affect  $w[n]$ , i.e.  $g[n] = w[n]$ . With this in mind and considering your answer in (a), determine an appropriate choice for the compensating signal  $c[n]$  so that  $y_c(t) = x_c(t)$ .

Any  $c[n]$  that meets the following two criteria will work (solution is not unique)

$$1 - c[0] = -x[0]$$

$$2 - c(e^{j\omega}) = 0 \quad |\omega| < \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

One Example is :  $c[n] = -x[0](-1)^n$

For more extensive discussion see:

<http://www.rle.mit.edu/dspg/Pub-Conference.html>

S. Dey, A. I. Russell, A. V. Oppenheim "Digital Pre-Compensation for faulty D/A Converters: The Missing pixel Problem"

In Proceedings of the IEEE ICASSP, (Montreal), May 2004

### Problem 4 (24%)

For this problem you may find useful the lecture slides which we have reproduced on page 14.

Consider the signal

$$s[n] = \alpha \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n u[n] + \beta \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n u[n]$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are constants.

We wish to linearly predict  $s[n]$  from its past  $p$  values using the relationship

$$\hat{s}[n] = \sum_{k=1}^p a_k s[n-k]$$

where the coefficients  $a_k$  are constants.

The coefficients  $a_k$  are chosen to minimize the prediction error

$$\mathcal{E} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} (s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2$$

- (a) (4%) With  $\phi_s[m]$  denoting the autocorrelation of  $s[n]$ , write the equations for the case  $p = 2$  the solution to which will result in  $a_1, a_2$  (you do not need to derive the equations).

$$\begin{bmatrix} \phi_s[0] & \phi_s[1] \\ \phi_s[1] & \phi_s[0] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_s[1] \\ \phi_s[2] \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) (10%) Determine a pair of values for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that when  $p = 2$ , the solution to the normal equations is  $a_1 = \frac{11}{12}$  and  $a_2 = -\frac{1}{6}$ . Is your answer unique? Explain.

$$S(z) = \alpha \frac{1}{1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1}} + \beta \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1}} = \frac{\alpha - \frac{\alpha}{4}z^{-1} + \beta - \frac{2\beta}{3}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{2}{3}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{4}z^{-1})}$$

$$S(z) = \frac{\alpha + \beta - \frac{\alpha}{4}z^{-1} - \frac{2\beta}{3}z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{11}{12}z^{-1} + \frac{1}{6}z^{-2}}$$

If  $a_1 = \frac{11}{12}$  and  $a_2 = -\frac{1}{6}$ , then we are modeling a 2<sup>nd</sup> order all-pole signal. Therefore, the  $z^{-1}$  terms in the numerator must cancel.

$$-\frac{\alpha}{4} = \frac{2\beta}{3}, \quad -3\alpha = 8\beta \rightarrow \text{One possibility: } \beta = -3 \text{ \& } \alpha = 8$$

Solution is not unique, any pair  $c\alpha$  and  $c\beta$  with  $c \neq 0$  will work.

- (c) (10%) If  $\alpha = 8$  and  $\beta = -3$ , determine the reflection coefficient  $k_3$ , resulting from using the Levinson recursion to solve the normal equations for  $p = 3$ . Is that different from  $k_3$  when solving for  $p = 4$ ? (An answer with no explanation will receive no credit.)

Since  $S[n]$  is a 2<sup>nd</sup> order all-pole signal, if you were to solve the Levinson recursion for  $P=3$ , then  $k_3 = a_3^{(3)} = 0$ . The  $k$ 's do not change as the model order increases, therefore  $k_3 = 0$  for any  $P$ .

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### Levinson-Durbin Recursion

$$\sum_{k=1}^p a_k \phi_s[i-k] = \phi_s[i] \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

$$T_p = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_s[0] & \phi_s[1] & \dots & \phi_s[p-1] \\ \phi_s[1] & \phi_s[0] & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_s[p-1] & \dots & \dots & \phi_s[0] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\alpha_p = [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p]^T \quad r_p = [\phi_s[1] \phi_s[2] \dots \phi_s[p]]^T$$

$$\beta_p = [a_p, a_{p-1}, \dots, a_1]^T \quad \rho_p = [\phi_s[p] \phi_s[p-1] \dots \phi_s[1]]^T$$

$$k_{p+1} = \frac{\phi_s[p+1] - (\rho_p)^T \alpha_p}{\phi_s[0] - (r_p)^T \alpha_p}$$

$$\varepsilon_p = -k_{p+1} \beta_p$$

$$\alpha_{p+1} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_p \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_p \\ k_{p+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^{(p)} \\ a_2^{(p)} \\ \vdots \\ a_p^{(p)} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - k_{p+1} \begin{bmatrix} a_p^{(p)} \\ a_{p-1}^{(p)} \\ \vdots \\ a_1^{(p)} \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

$a_k^{(p)}$  is the  $a_k$ th coefficient for the  $p$ th order filter.