

# Final Exam Review Topics – Fall 2025 – ADDITIONS SINCE CLASS

- The final will be comprehensive, but new material that you have not been tested on will be emphasized. The length will be about 5 pages, as the final time slot is just 2 hours.
- The exam is **open book** and **open notes**.
- The following is a list of topics relevant for the final:
  - Discrete-time signals and systems in the time domain, e.g., working with basic signal types, system properties, for LTI systems the convolution sum to get the output from input (**something from this area likely**)
  - LCCDEs; classical solution techniques (**NO**)
  - The discrete-time Fourier transform (DTFT); DTFT for LTI system gives the frequency response; for signals the spectrum; DTFT theorems and transform pairs (**something from this area likely**)
  - The  $z$ -transform; ROC, inverse transform using partial fraction expansions, transform theorems and transform pairs (**fundamental, so a problem in this area for sure**)
  - Lowpass sampling theory; aliasing, ideal reconstruction
  - Multirate sampling; upsampling, downsampling, rate conversion (**almost certain**)
  - Discrete-time random processes as applied to quantization noise issues when using  $B + 1$  bits in the A/D and D/A (**possible**)
  - Transform analysis of LTI systems; working systems level problems using time-domain, frequency domain, and  $z$ -domain relationships (as needed)
  - Characterization in terms of magnitude, phase and group delay; stability, causality, and inverse systems
  - All pass systems, minimum phase systems, generalized linear phase systems (**one problem in this area for sure**; maybe in more than one problem)
  - Structures for LTI systems; direct form I and II, cascade, parallel, and transpose realizations; structure from  $H(z)$  or get  $H(z)$  for a given structure (**one problem in this area for sure**)
  - Structures for FIR; general and linear phase (**not likely**)
  - Finite precision effects – coefficient quantization, roundoff noise due to finite precision multiplication, the linear noise model (a short answer/ concept problem in this area possible)
  - The discrete Fourier transform (DFT); basics such as calculation and how it relates to the DTFT (**basic spectral analysis**), properties such as circular sequence shift and circular convolution (**a problem from this area for sure**)
  - Simple FFT applications, e.g., transform domain filtering with FFT/IFFT
  - Fast implementation via FFT algorithms; We briefly studied the radix-2 FFT, e.g.,  $(N/2)\log_2 N$  multiplies for  $N$  points (**multiply count may be requested**)
  - Basic FFT spectral analysis  $\Delta F = F_s/N$  Hz (**for sure**)

$$\text{SNR}_{dB} = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\sigma_x^2}{\sigma_e^2} \right) = 6.02B + 10.8 - 20 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\sigma_x}{\sigma_e} \right)$$

CHANGE  $X_m, \sigma_x$ , or  $B$ , how does SNR change etc.

