- 1. What is a signal in the context of signals and systems?
- a) Any form of communication
- b) A variable representing information
- c) A type of noise
- d) An electrical device

Answer: b) A variable representing information

Explanation: In the context of signals and systems, a signal is a function that conveys information about a phenomenon.

- 2. Which of the following is not a classification of signals?
- a) Even/Odd
- b) Deterministic/Random
- c) Analog/Digital
- d) Periodic/Aperiodic

Answer: c) Analog/Digital

Explanation: While analog and digital signals are indeed classifications, they are not listed as one of the options here.

- 3. What distinguishes a periodic signal from an aperiodic signal?
- a) Periodic signals repeat over time, while aperiodic signals do not.
- b) Aperiodic signals have a fixed frequency, while periodic signals do not.

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c) Periodic signals have infinite energy, while aperiodic signals have finite energy.

d) Aperiodic signals have a fixed phase, while periodic signals do not.

Answer: a) Periodic signals repeat over time, while aperiodic signals do not.

Explanation: Periodic signals exhibit a repetitive pattern over time, whereas aperiodic signals do not repeat.

4. Which property distinguishes between energy and power signals?

a) Duration

b) Amplitude

c) Frequency

d) Energy content

Answer: a) Duration

Explanation: Energy signals have finite duration, while power signals are typically infinite or continuous in duration.

5. Which type of signal can be represented by a single value at each point in time?

a) Continuous-time signals

b) Discrete-time signals

c) Multidimensional signals

d) Random signals

Answer: b) Discrete-time signals

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Explanation: Discrete-time signals are defined at discrete points in time, represented by a single value at each point.

6. What operation combines two signals in the time domain by adding their respective values at each instant?

- a) Convolution
- b) Differentiation
- c) Integration
- d) Addition

Answer: d) Addition

Explanation: Addition combines two signals by adding their respective values at each time instant.

- 7. Which of the following is a transformation of independent variables for signals?
- a) Scaling
- b) Shifting
- c) Differentiation
- d) Integration

Answer: b) Shifting

Explanation: Shifting involves changing the time reference of a signal without altering its shape.

- 8. What defines a linear system?
- a) Its output is directly proportional to its input.
- b) It operates on only discrete signals.
- c) It cannot handle complex numbers.
- d) It exhibits a non-linear response to inputs.

Answer: a) Its output is directly proportional to its input.

Explanation: A linear system follows the principles of superposition and homogeneity, where its response to a sum of inputs equals the sum of its responses to individual inputs.

- 9. What distinguishes a causal system from a non-causal system?
- a) A causal system has outputs dependent only on past and present inputs, while a noncausal system can have outputs dependent on future inputs.
- b) A causal system has outputs dependent only on future inputs, while a non-causal system can have outputs dependent on past and present inputs.
- c) A causal system has outputs dependent only on future inputs, while a non-causal system has outputs dependent only on past and present inputs.
- d) There is no distinction between causal and non-causal systems.

Answer: a) A causal system has outputs dependent only on past and present inputs, while a non-causal system can have outputs dependent on future inputs.

Explanation: Causal systems produce outputs only after receiving inputs, depending solely on past and present inputs.

- 10. Which property ensures that the system's output is not dependent on when the input is applied?
- a) Linearity
- b) Causality
- c) Shift-invariance
- d) Stability

Answer: c) Shift-invariance

Explanation: Shift-invariance means that if the input signal is delayed or advanced in time, the output signal is also delayed or advanced by the same amount.

- 11. What is a key characteristic of a stable system?
- a) It produces bounded output for bounded input.
- b) Its output grows indefinitely for bounded input.
- c) It is sensitive to small changes in input.
- d) It oscillates continuously.

Answer: a) It produces bounded output for bounded input.

Explanation: A stable system ensures that its output remains bounded for any bounded input.

- 12. Which property ensures that a system can be implemented physically?
- a) Realizability
- b) Linearity

c) Shift-invariance

d) Stability

Answer: a) Realizability

Explanation: Realizability implies that a system can be implemented using physical components without violating any fundamental principles.

13. What type of system exhibits the property of additivity?

a) Non-linear systems

b) Linear systems

c) Variant systems

d) Causal systems

Answer: b) Linear systems

Explanation: Additivity means that the response to a sum of inputs equals the sum of the responses to individual inputs, a characteristic of linear systems.

14. Which property characterizes a system that remains unchanged over time?

a) Variant

b) Non-linear

c) Invariant

d) Causal

Answer: c) Invariant

Explanation: An invariant system maintains its behavior or properties despite changes in time or other variables.

- 15. What defines a dynamic system?
- a) Its behavior changes over time.
- b) It has a fixed response to inputs.
- c) It only operates in the frequency domain.
- d) It cannot handle complex numbers.

Answer: a) Its behavior changes over time.

Explanation: Dynamic systems exhibit behavior that varies over time, unlike static systems.

- 16. Which type of system can produce output based on future inputs?
- a) Causal system
- b) Non-causal system
- c) Linear system
- d) Variant system

Answer: b) Non-causal system

Explanation: Non-causal systems can produce outputs dependent on future inputs, which violates the principle of causality.

17. What type of interconnection involves connecting systems in a sequence, where the output of one system becomes the input of another?

- a) Series connection
- b) Parallel connection
- c) Feedback connection
- d) Cascade connection

Answer: a) Series connection

Explanation: In a series connection, the output of one system serves as the input to the next system in sequence.

- 18. Which property ensures that the system's response is the same regardless of the time origin?
- a) Linearity
- b) Causality
- c) Shift-invariance
- d) Stability

Answer: c) Shift-invariance

Explanation: Shift-invariance means that the system's response remains unchanged when the input signal is shifted in time.

- 19. What distinguishes a multidimensional signal from a one-dimensional signal?
- a) One-dimensional signals have multiple independent variables.
- b) Multidimensional signals have only one independent variable.
- c) One-dimensional signals can vary along multiple dimensions.

d) Multidimensional signals have multiple independent variables.

Answer: d) Multidimensional signals have multiple independent variables.

Explanation: Multidimensional signals have variations in multiple independent variables, whereas one-dimensional signals have only one independent variable.

20. Which property ensures that the system's output depends only on the current and past inputs, not future inputs?

- a) Realizability
- b) Stability
- c) Causality
- d) Invariance

Answer: c) Causality

Explanation: Causality ensures that the system's output at any given time depends only on the input up to that time, not on future inputs.