

[11:00] Recap: FIR filters and convolution

For an FIR filter, the coefficients b_k are synonymous with the impulse response $h[n]$.

The output of an LTI system is obtained by convolving the input with the IR.

Let $x[n] = \delta[n]$. Then, the output $h[n]$ is

$$h[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \delta[n-k] \\ = \begin{cases} b_n & 0 \leq n \leq M \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n] \\ = h[n] * x[n] \\ = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[n] x[n-k] \\ = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x[n-k] \\ \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{for an FIR filter with } M-1 \text{ coefficients}}$$

Deconvolution can be used to obtain $x[n]$ from $y[n]$ and $h[n]$ or to obtain $h[n]$ from $y[n]$ and $x[n]$.

[11:15-11:40] Linear time invariant systems

Time invariance. Let $x[n]$ be an arbitrary input to a system $\mathcal{T}$ and let $y[n]$ be the corresponding output. The system $\mathcal{T}$ is time-invariant if, for any time shift n_0 .

$$\mathcal{T}\{x[n - n_0]\} = y[n - n_0]$$

Example: $y[n] = x^2[n]$.

$$\mathcal{T}\{x[n - n_0]\} = (x[n - n_0])^2 = x^2[n - n_0] = y[n - n_0] \quad (\text{Yes, this is TI})$$

Additivity. Let $x_1[n]$ and $x_2[n]$ be arbitrary input signals to a system $\mathcal{T}$. The system satisfies additivity if

$$\mathcal{T}\{x_1[n] + x_2[n]\} = \mathcal{T}\{x_1[n]\} + \mathcal{T}\{x_2[n]\}$$

Example: $y[n] = x^2[n]$

$$\mathcal{T}\{x_1[n] + x_2[n]\} = x_1^2[n] + 2x_1[n]x_2[n] + x_2^2[n] \\ \neq y_1[n] + y_2[n] \quad (\text{No, does not satisfy additivity})$$

Homogeneity. Let $x[n]$ be an arbitrary input to a system $\mathcal{T}$. The system satisfies homogeneity if, for any constant a ,

$$\mathcal{T}\{a \cdot x[n]\} = a \cdot \mathcal{T}\{x[n]\}$$

Example: $y[n] = x^2[n]$

$$\mathcal{T}\{ax[n]\} = a^2x^2[n] \neq ax^2[n] = y^2[n] \quad (\text{no, does not satisfy homogeneity})$$

Linear time-invariant. A system is linear time-invariant (LTI) if it satisfies additivity, homogeneity, and time-invariance properties. A common way for a system to violate these properties is if the system has nonzero initial conditions.

[11:50-] Role of initial conditions

Example: unit delay $y[n] = \mathcal{T}\{x[n]\} = x[n - 1]$

The first input value is $x[0]$ and the first output value is $y[0]$.

If we observe for $-\infty < n < \infty$, we can always compute the output using

$$y[n] = x[n - 1]$$

If we only observe for $n \geq 0$, we cannot determine $y[0]$ from the input. Instead, $y[0]$ is the initial value in the memory of the ideal delay block.

$$y[0] = ?$$

$$y[1] = x[0]$$

$$y[2] = x[1]$$

$$\vdots = \vdots$$

To satisfy homogeneity, we require that $\mathcal{T}\{a \cdot x[n]\} = a \cdot \mathcal{T}\{x[n]\}$

All-zero input test (check if $\mathcal{T}\{0\} = 0$)

$$x[0] = 0, \quad x[1] = 0, \quad x[2] = 0, \quad \dots$$

$$y[0] = \text{IC}, \quad y[1] = 0, \quad y[2] = 0, \quad \dots$$

Thus for the unit delay, homogeneity is only satisfied when the initial condition is zero.

[12:05-] Linear constant coefficient differential equation

$$y(t) = a_1 y'(t) + \dots = x(t) + b_1 x'(t) + \dots, \quad \text{for } t \geq 0$$

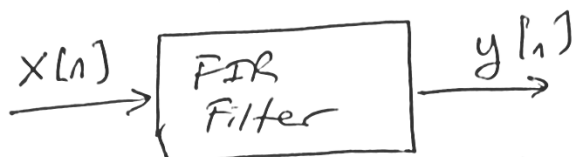
$$y(t) = \underbrace{h(t) * x(t)}_{\text{response due to zero initial conditions}} + \underbrace{y(0)}_{\text{response due to nonzero initial conditions}}$$

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Convolution



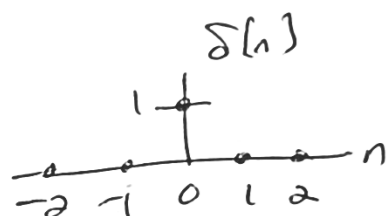
$M+1$ FIR filter coefficients b_k

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x[n-k]$$

Let input $x[n] = \delta[n]$,
output $h[n]$ is

$$h[n] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \delta[n-k]$$

$$h[n] = \begin{cases} b_n & \text{for } 0 \leq n \leq M \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



↑ has value
of one at
 $n=0$.

More generally, for linear time-invariant
systems,

$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n] \quad \text{convolution}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^M h[k] x[n-k]$$

Additivity

$$x_1[n] + x_2[n] \rightarrow \boxed{(\cdot)^2} \rightarrow y_{\text{additive}}[n] = (x_1[n] + x_2[n])^2$$

$$y_{\text{additive}}[n] = x_1^2[n] + 2x_1[n]x_2[n] + x_2^2[n]$$

doesn't work

$$y_{\text{additive}}[n] \stackrel{?}{=} y_1[n] + y_2[n] \\ = x_1^2[n] + x_2^2[n] \quad (\text{No})$$

Not additive.

Homogeneity.

$$\alpha x[n] \rightarrow \boxed{(\cdot)^2} \rightarrow y_{\text{scaled}}[n] = (\alpha x[n])^2$$

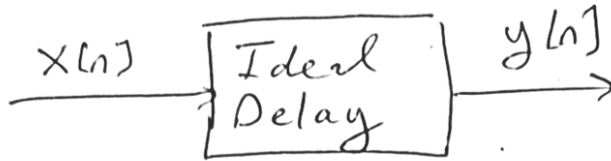
$$y_{\text{scaled}}[n] = \alpha y[n] \quad \text{for all } \alpha$$

$$\alpha^2 x^2[n] = \alpha x^2[n] \quad \text{only for } \alpha=0 \text{ or } \alpha=1$$

Not homogeneous.

Alternative Approach

$$\alpha x_1[n] + \beta x_2[n] \rightarrow \boxed{} \rightarrow y_{\text{combined}}[n] \stackrel{?}{=} \alpha y_1[n] + \beta y_2[n]$$



If we observe for $-\infty < n < \infty$,
 $y[n] = x[n-1]$ It's LTI

If we observe for $n \geq 0$,
 $y[0] = ?$ Initial value in the memory of the ideal delay block.

$$y[1] = x[0]$$

$$y[2] = x[1]$$

$$\vdots$$

Homogeneity. Input $\alpha x[n] \rightarrow y_{\text{scaled}}[n]$
 For the property to hold, $y_{\text{scaled}}[n] = \alpha y[n]$.

All-zero input test for $\alpha = 0$:

Input is zero for $n \geq 0$

Output is $y[0], y[1], y[2], \dots$

Initial condition $\rightarrow$ IC, 0, 0, ...
 must be zero

Linear Constant Coefficient Differential Equation

$$y(t) + a_1 y'(t) + \dots = x(t) + b_1 x'(t) + \dots$$

for $t \geq 0$

$$y(t) = \underbrace{h(t) * x(t)}_{\text{response due to zero initial conditions}} + \underbrace{\dots}_{\text{response due to non-zero initial conditions and } x(t) = 0}$$

Initial conditions

$$\begin{bmatrix} y(0) \\ y'(0) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ x'(0) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$



state of the system