

DIGITAL SIGNAL PROCESSING: COSC390

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UNIT 2.2 OUTLINE

1. Types of filters (reading: ch. 3, ch. 5)
 - Butterworth
 - Bessel
 - Chebyshev
2. LTI systems and their properties (reading: ch. 5)
3. Convolution (reading: ch. 7)
 - Implementation with FFT
 - Impulse and step response

These lectures will cover: (Reading: chapter 19)

1. Common filter kernels: Moving Average
2. General Recursive Filters: HP, LP, and Notch Examples
3. FIR and IIR definitions

COMMON FILTER KERNELS: MOVING AVERAGE

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$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k x[n - k] \quad (1)$$

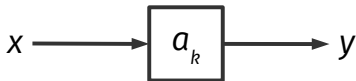


Figure 1: A simple model for convolution as an LTI response.

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$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k x[n-k] + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} b_k y[n-k] \quad (2)$$

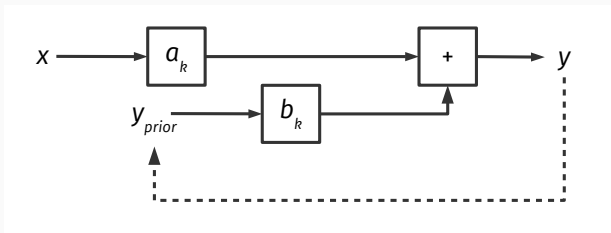


Figure 2: A more general model for convolution as an LTI response. These are the a and b coefficients of the octave *filter* function.

Moving average filter with window-length n :

1. a_k are all equal to $1/n$
2. b_k are zero

Example:

- window-3 moving average: $a_0 = \frac{1}{3}, a_1 = \frac{1}{3}, a_2 = \frac{1}{3}$

```
y = filter(ones(window,1)/window,1,y);
```

The filter function is expecting the a_k and b_k coefficients¹.

¹For maximum confusion: the textbook and Octave use opposite conventions for a_k and b_k .

OCTAVE PROGRAMMING EXERCISE: MOV- ING AVERAGE

Download the code `movingAverage.m` from Moodle, and run it at your desk.

1. What is happening to the spectrum?
2. Change the window parameter to various values. What further changes do you observe in the noise and the spectrum?
3. What function shape do you observe in the spectrum with sufficient window size?

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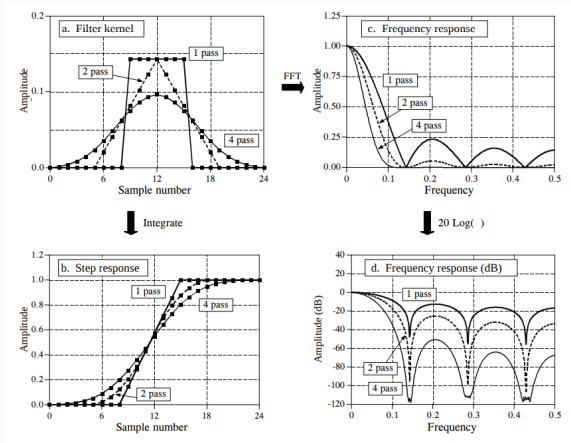


Figure 3: Various effects of the moving average filter kernel. The moving average efficiently filters high-frequency noise in the time-domain.

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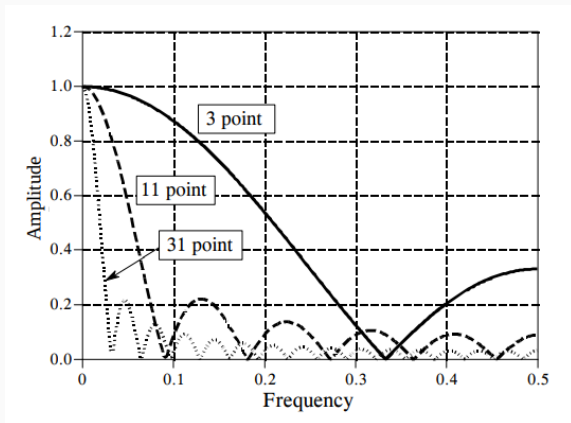


Figure 4: The frequency response of a moving average filter is a sinc. Why? (Calculations on board of filter kernel).

Frequency response of moving average filter, n-window:

$$h(f) = \frac{\sin(\pi f n)}{n \sin(\pi f)} \quad (3)$$

- Basically, a sinc
- Modified by n-window instead of period

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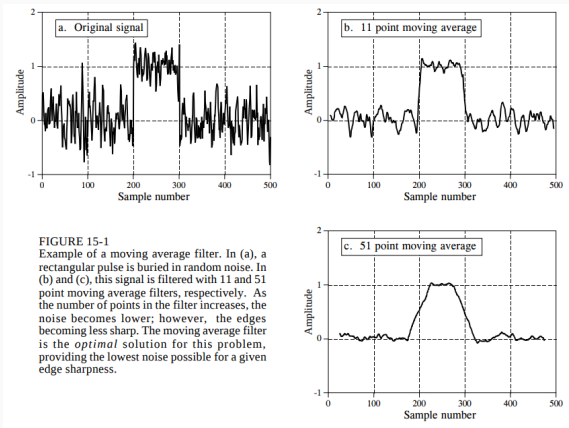


Figure 5: The moving average filter removes noise optimally while preserving step response.

OCTAVE PROGRAMMING EXERCISE: FIND- ING THE SIGNAL

Download the code `movingAverage2.m` from Moodle, and run it at your desk.

1. By tuning the moving average filter, can you reveal the signal?
2. Bonus: using older code, can you *play this signal as audio* for varying window sizes?

OCTAVE PROGRAMMING EXERCISE: SINGLE-POLE RECURSION FORMULAS

Single-pole LP filter recursion:

1. $a_0 = 1 - x$
2. $b_1 = x$

The variable x varies from $[0, 1]$. It is the amount of decay between samples:

$$x = \exp(-1/d) \quad (4)$$

The x parameter is related to the cutoff-frequency:

$$x = \exp(-2\pi f_c) \quad (5)$$

Exercise: implement this in `movingAverage2.m` and recover the signal with the single-pole LP filter. Note: we are not using the **butter** function...How would you achieve the effect of multiple poles?

Single-pole HP filter recursion:

1. $a_0 = (1 + x)/2$
2. $a_1 = -(1 + x)/2$
3. $b_1 = x$

The variable x varies from $[0, 1]$. It is the amount of decay between samples:

$$x = \exp(-1/d) \quad (6)$$

The x parameter is related to the cutoff-frequency:

$$x = \exp(-2\pi f_c) \quad (7)$$

Exercise: implement this in `movingAverage2.m` and recover the signal with the single-pole HP+LP filter.

OCTAVE PROGRAMMING EXERCISE: NOTCH AND NARROW BAND-PASS

Implement the following recursive formula, and see what it does to noise²:

1. $a_0 = 1 - K$
2. $a_1 = 2(K - R) \cos(2\pi f)$
3. $a_2 = R^2 - K$
4. $b_1 = 2R \cos(2\pi f)$
5. $b_2 = -R^2$

($R = 1 - 3BW$, where BW is the bandwidth, centered on the frequency f). For K , we have

$$K = \frac{1 - 2R \cos(2\pi f) + R^2}{2 - 2 \cos(2\pi f)} \quad (8)$$

²It's probably best to recycle code from `movingAverage.m` to a new file.

Implement the following recursive formula, and see what it does to noise³:

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2. $a_1 = -2K \cos(2\pi f)$
3. $a_2 = K$
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1. Add a sine-tone to your noise sample, and then isolate it with the band-pass filter.
2. Now make the noise small, but add several other *unwanted sine-tones* to the data, and filter them out with the band-reject.

So now we start to see how simple it is to clean the data of unwanted noise and signals, using only recursive relationships between input and output data! However, we must eventually make a distinction between **FIR and IIR**.

FIR - Finite Impulse Response:

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k x[n - k] \quad (9)$$

IIR - Infinite Impulse Response:

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k x[n - k] + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} b_k y[n - k] \quad (10)$$

In the second case, the output power never really drops to zero.

THEORY AND EXAMPLES: PHASE RE- SPONSE

PHASE RESPONSE

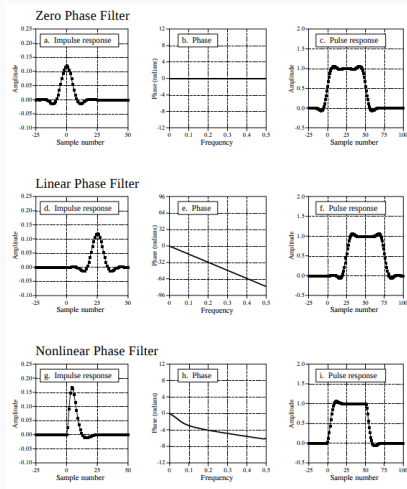


Figure 6: The problem with many filters is that they introduce non-zero or non-linear phase response. How do we eliminate this?

Group delay: reveals dispersion in signals

$$\tau_g = -\frac{d\phi}{d\omega} \quad (11)$$

- What is the Fourier transform of a Gaussian pulse?
- What is the complex phase of a Gaussian pulse?
- What is the group delay of the Gaussian pulse?

(Observe on board). What if the signal was asymmetric? *Code this in Octave?*

PHASE RESPONSE

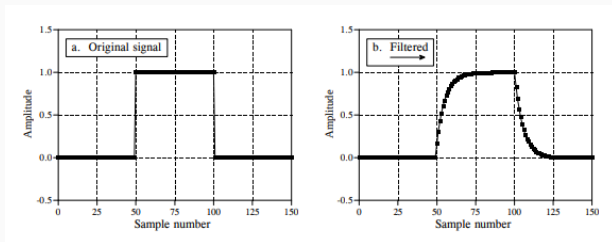


Figure 7: The effect of the IIR single-pole LP creates a non-linear phase effect.

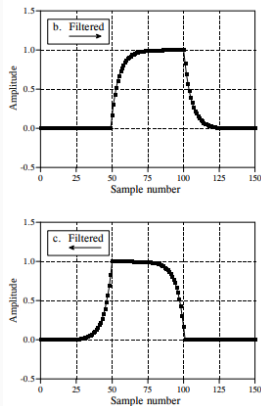


Figure 8: Reversing the data direction and filtering produces the same power, but a *negative* phase function.

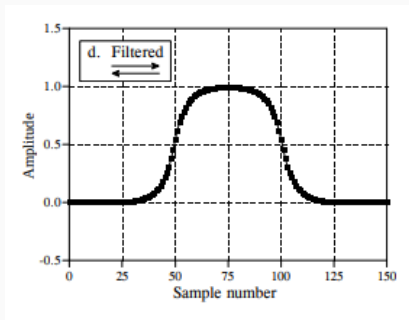


Figure 9: Bi-directional filtering sets the phase to zero (or linear if there is a time offset). Group delay should be zero or constant.

OCTAVE PROGRAMMING EXAMPLE: PHASE RESPONSE

Modify either `movingAverage.m` or `FFT.m` on Moodle to plot a signal amplitude versus time alongside the phase versus frequency. Set the noise to zero, and make the signal a Gaussian pulse.

```
y = amplitude*exp(-0.5*((t-mu).^2/sigma_t^2);  
Y = sqrt(conj(fft(y)).*fft(y));  
Y_phase = arg(fft(y)); %Phase unwrapping, or...  
tan_Y_phase = imag(fft(y))./real(fft(y));
```

- Filter twice, flipping the data backwards once, then undo (bi-directional filtering).
- Now change the data to a square pulse, and repeat.