

# LTI SYSTEM PROPERTIES & IMPULSE RESPONSE

## System properties

- Stability (BIBO)
  - Memory (depend on current input only)
  - Causality (does not depend on future inputs)
  - Linearity
  - Time invariance
- Memoryless, LTI
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graph LR; A[Stability BIBO] --- B[Memory depend on current input only]; B --- C[Causality does not depend on future inputs]; C --- D[Memoryless, LTI]; D --- E[Linearity]; E --- F[Time invariance]; F --- G[LTI]; D --- H[Memoryless, Stable, LTI]; G --- H;
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For LTI systems:

$h(t)$   $\xrightarrow{\text{Completely determine}}$  Input-output behaviors  
 $h[n]$

Thus, stability, memory, causality are related to  $h(t)/h[n]$ .

a). If an LTI system is MEMORYLESS

$$x[n] \rightarrow \boxed{h[n]} \rightarrow y[n]$$

$$\begin{aligned} y[n] &= h[n] * x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k]x[n-k] \\ &= \cdots + h[-2]x[n+2] + h[-1]x[n+1] + h[0]x[n] \\ &\quad + h[1]x[n-1] + h[2]x[n-2] + \cdots \end{aligned}$$

Memoryless:  $y[n]$  depends on  $x[n]$  ONLY. Thus,  $h[k] = 0$  for  $k \neq 0$ .  
The same is true for CT LTI systems.

Conclusion: LTI systems

$$\text{Memoryless} \xleftrightarrow{\text{iff}} \begin{aligned} h[k] &= c\delta[k] \\ h(\tau) &= c\delta(\tau) \end{aligned}$$

b) If an LTI system is CAUSAL:

$$y[n] = \cdots + h[-1]x[n+1] + h[0]x[n] + h[1]x[n-1] + \cdots$$

To make  $y[n]$  depend ONLY on  $x[n]$  and/or  $x[k]$   $k < n$ , must have

$$\text{DT : } h[k] = 0 \text{ for } k < 0$$

$$\text{CT : } h(\tau) = 0 \text{ for } \tau < 0$$

c) If an LTI system is STABLE:  
BIBO stable: if

$$|x[n]| \leq M_x < \infty \Rightarrow |y[n]| \leq M_y < \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} |y[n]| &= |x[n] * h[n]| \\ &= \left| \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k] x[n-k] \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| |x[n-k]| \\ &\leq \left\{ \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| \right\} M_x < \infty \end{aligned}$$

If LTI BIBO stable  $\leftrightarrow \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| < \infty$  : absolutely summable

- $\sum |\cdot| < \infty$  is a sufficient condition for BIBO
- $\sum |\cdot| < \infty$  is also a necessary condition for BIBO

Conclusion:

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| < \infty \xleftrightarrow{\text{iff}} \text{BIBO Stable}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(\tau)| d\tau < \infty \xleftrightarrow{\text{iff}} \text{BIBO Stable}$$

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First-order autoregressive (recursive) system

$$y[n] = \rho y[n-1] + x[n], \text{ with } h[n] = 0 \text{ for } n < 0$$

- a) Impulse response?
- b) Is system causal, memoryless, BIBO stable?

Solution:

a) Let  $x[n] = \delta[n] \longrightarrow h[n] = \rho h[n-1] + \delta[n]$  Thus

$$h[k] = 0 \text{ for } k < 0, h[0] = 1, h[1] = \rho, h[2] = \rho^2, h[3] = \rho^3 \dots h[n] = \rho^n \text{ (} n > 0 \text{)}$$

$$\boxed{h[n] = \rho^n u[n]}$$

b)

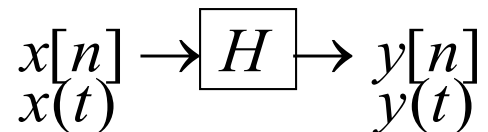
- Causal, because  $h[n] = 0$  for  $k < 0$
- System is NOT memoryless, because  $h[n] \neq c\delta[n]$

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |\rho^k| = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } |\rho| \geq 1 \\ < \infty & \text{if } |\rho| < 1 \end{cases}$$

- Therefore, system is stable if  $|\rho| < 1$

## STEP RESPONSE:

LTI



Step response: if  $x[n] = u[n] \Rightarrow y[n] = s[n]$

$$s[n] = h[n] * u[n]$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k] u[n-k]$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^n h[k] u[n-k] + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} h[k] u[n-k]$$

$$s[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n h[k]$$

For a CT system:

$$s(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t h(\tau) d\tau$$

Note: a)  $h(t) = \frac{d}{dt} s(t)$

$$\delta(t) = \frac{d}{dt} u(t) \rightarrow \boxed{\text{H}} \rightarrow h(t) = \frac{d}{dt} s(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } s[n] &= h[n] + \underbrace{\sum_{k=-\infty}^{n-1} h[k]}_{=s[n-1]} \\ &= h[n] + s[n-1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{h[n] = s[n] - s[n-1]}$$

COMPARE

$$\boxed{h(t) = \frac{d}{dt} s(t)}$$



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$$u[n] \rightarrow \boxed{h[n] = \rho^n u[n]} \rightarrow y[n] = ??$$
$$|\rho| < 1$$

• We know  $h[n] = \rho^n u[n]$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet s[n] &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^n h[k] \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^n \rho^k u[k] = \underbrace{\left( \sum_{k=0}^n \rho^k \right)}_{\frac{1-\rho^{n+1}}{1-\rho}} u[n] = \frac{1-\rho^{n+1}}{1-\rho} u[n] \end{aligned}$$