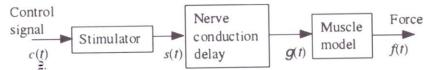
AM5510: BIOMEDICAL SIGNALS & SYSTEMS

Programming Assignment #3: Simulating Skeletal Muscle Model

Please write your own code in Matlab. This assignment can be turned in as an e-mail attachment (PDF) along with the Matlab code with a filename indicating your unique identity 06/11/2023

A block diagram representation of the process to activate skeletal muscle by artificially stimulating the nerve is given below.



The control signal is a continuous signal that controls the frequency of the stimulator o/p. The stimulator o/ps a train of pulses with frequency proportional to the voltage i/p to it. But, the minimum and maximum frequency of the simulator , s(t), is only b/w 5Hz and 50Hz, respectively. S(t) is related to c(t) by a constant K_3 . The interpulse interval for p^{th} stimulus is

$$\tau_{p} - \tau_{p-1} = K_3/c(t)$$
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where, $K_3 = 0.3 \text{ s-V}$,

$$s(t) = \Sigma_p \delta(t - \tau_p)$$

The nerve conduction delay introduces a constant delay of $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ s:

$$g(t) = s(t-\theta),$$

where θ =0.005 s. The muscle model is a model of the muscle twitch, with impulses as the i/p to the muscle. The o/p force for a single AP is

$$f_h(t)=G(e^{-at}-e^{-bt})u(t)$$

The unit of force is Newton; a=5/s, b=20/s, and G=30N/Hz. The cumulative force is $f(t)=f_h(t)*g(t)$

Assignment

Write the discrete recursive equations for each block in the system so that the values at each point in time may be calculated. Use BL transform to obtain the Z-transform and then write the DT recursive equations.

Write a program to simulate the system. The force must be o/p for any arbitrary i/p signal from the recursive equation. Simulate the system using $t=n\Delta t$ with $\Delta t=0.0001$ s.

- Plot the o/p of the muscle block to a single impulse (twitch) and to two impulses 200 ms apart
- Simulate the O/P of this system under the following conditions:
 - 1. c(t) is a rect function of amplitude 4 and duration 10 secs
 - 2. c(t) is a rect function of amplitude 10 and duration 5 secs