Digital Signal Processing

Jiří Málek



Part I

Application of DTFT to impulse response h[n], frequency response



Frequency response - motivation

- Both difference equation (LCCDE) and impulse response describe the LTI system in the time-domain
- These system models do not provide any information, how the LTI system influences the DTFT spectrum of a signal
- The influence of system on an input signal in the frequency domain is given by the **frequency response**



Frequency response I

What is frequency response:

• The response of a system given by impulse response h[n] to signal x[n] is given in the time-domain via

$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n].$$
 (1)

 Applying the convolution theorem of the DTFT gives us the response in the frequency domain

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) = H(e^{j\omega})X(e^{j\omega}), \tag{2}$$

 $Y(e^{j\omega})$ - DTFT spectrum $y[n],~X(e^{j\omega})$ - DTFT spectrum x[n]

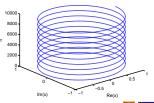
• Thus, the frequency response is a ratio between the output spectrum $Y(e^{j\omega})$ and the input spectrum $X(e^{j\omega})$.



Frequency response II

Eigenfunctions of the LTI system:

- Sequences that pass through the LTI system unchanged, up to a change in complex amplitude
- If input into the system is x[n], then output $y[n] = \lambda x[n]$, where $\lambda \in \mathcal{C}$ is the *eigenvalue* corresponding to the eigenfunction x[n].
- The complex eigenvalue has absolute value and argument, which can be interpreted as *amplification* and *delay* of the eigenfunction x[n], respectively.
- Eigenfunction of the LTI systems have the form $x[n] = e^{jn\omega_0}$ $\omega_0 \in \mathcal{R}, \ -\infty < n < \infty$
- QUESTION: Why complex exponentials?





Frequency response III

- Eigenvalue corresponding to the complex exponential $e^{j\omega_0 n}$ is denoted $H(e^{j\omega_0})$
- The function, which describes the dependency of the eigenvalues on frequency ω is denoted by $H(e^{j\omega})$ and called the **frequency response** (FR) of the LTI system
- ullet FR states, how the complex exponential on frequency ω_0 is amplified and delayed when passed through LTI system
- FR is computed by application of DTFT to impulse response h[n] of the system

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h[n]e^{-jn\omega}$$
 (3)

- \bullet FR is a complex-valued function of a real-valued independent variable ω
- FR is the third description of the LTI system (along with impulse response and difference equation)



Frequency response IV

- Discrete signal can be (using DTFT) decomposed into a spectrum of complex exponentials (or harmonic functions for $x[n] \in \mathcal{R}$)
- If the input into the LTI system is in the form

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \alpha_k e^{jn\omega_k} \tag{4}$$

then the output is

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \alpha_k H(e^{j\omega_k}) e^{jn\omega_k}$$
 (5)

• The response of a system with impulse response h[n] to signal x[n] is given by

$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n], \tag{6}$$

then (due to convolutional theorem of DTFT) this results in the frequency domain into

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) = H(e^{j\omega})X(e^{j\omega}), \tag{7}$$

 $Y(e^{j\omega})$ - DTFT spectrum of y[n], $X(e^{j\omega})$ - DTFT spectrum of x[n]



Properties of the frequency response

- Periodicity
- ullet Frequency response is *periodical* with period 2π
- QUESTION: Why is it so?
- **Symmetry** for systems with real-valued impulse response h[n]
- For such a system, FR is *conjugate symmetric* function of ω $H(e^{-j\omega})=H^*(e^{j\omega})$
- This stems from the symmetry properties of the DTFT
- Due to this, the cosine and sine functions are eigenfunctions of such systems along with the exponentials



Frequency response V

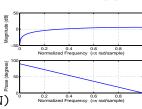
- FR is usually formulated as a pair of functions:
 - magnitude response $|H(e^{j\omega})|$
 - phase response $\phi(e^{j\omega})$

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \left| H(e^{j\omega}) \right| e^{j\phi(e^{j\omega})} \tag{8}$$

 A more practical substitute of phase characteristic is the phase delay

$$\tau_p(\omega) = -\frac{\phi(e^{j\omega})}{\omega} \tag{9}$$

• It states the delay of signal $e^{j\omega n}$ after a pass through LTI system in samples (in contrast to the angle given by phase characteristic)



MATLAB: [PHI,W]=phasedelay(b,a,N)



Frequency response VI

 Another measure of the delay when signal passes through the LTI systems is the group delay

$$\tau_{g}(\omega) = -\frac{d\phi(e^{j\omega})}{d\omega} \tag{10}$$

- ullet It states a delay (in samples) of a narrow-band signal consisting of a "group" of harmonic components with frequencies close to ω_0
- Let us consider a signal a[n] modulated by a carrier harmonic wave $\cos(\omega_0 n)$, i.e., $x[n] = a[n] \cdot \cos(\omega_0 n)$. The group delay gives a shift of the amplitude envelope a[n] when x[n] passes through the LTI system with phase response $\phi(e^{j\omega})$.
- Phase and group delay are equal at systems with linear phase:

$$\phi(e^{j\omega}) = -\alpha\omega, \tau_p(\omega) = -\frac{-\alpha\omega}{\omega}, \tau_g(\omega) = -\frac{-d\alpha\omega}{d\omega}$$
(11)

• MATLAB: [Gd,W]=grpdelay(b,a,N)



Part II

Other applications of DTFT



DTFT applications I

- Frequency response of a system given by a difference equation
- ullet Frequency response $H(e^{j\omega})$ is the DTFT of the impulse resp. h[n]
- FIR systems are often given by h[n], the computation of $H(e^{j\omega})$ is straightforward there
- IIR systems are usually given by their difference equation:

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{q} b[k]x[n-k] - \sum_{k=1}^{p} a[k]y[n-k]$$
 (12)

- QUESTION AND EXAMPLE: How do we obtain frequency response from the difference equation?
- ullet Due to linearity and the shift theorem, $H(e^{j\omega})$ is given by

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{Y(e^{j\omega})}{X(e^{j\omega})} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{q} b[k]e^{-jk\omega}}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^{p} a[k]e^{-jk\omega}}$$
(13)

• MATLAB: [H,W]=freqz(b,a,N)



DTFT applications II

- Computation of convolutions: (for infinite sequences)
- DTFT maps convolution in the time-domain into multiplication in the frequency domain
- This fact is used to evaluate convolutions of infinite sequences
- EXAMPLE: Computation of convolution using DTFT



DTFT applications III

- Analytical solution of difference equations with zero initial conditions
- In other words: analytical computation of filtering
 - Substitution of the input signal and transformation of the equation into the frequency-domain
 - Expression of the output
 - Inverse DTFT
- EXAMPLE: Analytical solution of a difference equation using DTFT



DTFT applications IV

• Inverse system to a system given by impulse response h[n] is such a filter, whose impulse response g[n] fulfills

$$h[n] * g[n] = \delta[n]. \tag{14}$$

ullet Frequency response $G(e^{j\omega})$ therefore fulfills

$$G(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{H(e^{j\omega})} \tag{15}$$

- Not every system is practically invertible (the inverse system may be unstable)
- Inverse system to a causal system may be non-causal
- In other words: the existence of a causal and stable inverse system is not always guaranteed
- EXAMPLE: Inverse system and its causality



Thank you for attention!

