

Circular Convolution

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Abstract—This document tries to convert circular convolution in to matrix form

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1 PROBLEM

A finite-length discrete-time signal is basically a sequence, say, (x_0, \dots, x_{m-1}) which can be written as an m -length vector $\text{vec } x \in R^m$.

Given two periodic signals (x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) and (h_0, \dots, h_{n-1}) , the circular convolution of the two signals is of length n , defined as

$$y(t) = (h \circledast x)_t = \sum_{\tau=0}^{\tau=n-1} x_\tau h_{(t-\tau) \bmod n} \quad (1.0.1)$$

$$0 \leq t < n - 1$$

2 CONSTRUCTION

Circular convolution is a special case of convolution where the summation is truncated to a non-zero periodic interval and the actual signal is just a periodic repetition of the circular convolution.

The time period of the two discrete signals be n , then the resultant convolution is also discrete periodic signal with a time period n . The signal \mathbf{Y} contains n elements.

$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.1)$$

where

$$y_t = \sum_{\tau=0}^{\tau=n-1} x_\tau h_{(t-\tau) \bmod n} \quad (2.0.2)$$

Therefore

$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} h_0 x_0 + h_{n-1} x_1 + \dots + h_1 x_{n-1} \\ h_1 x_0 + h_0 x_1 + \dots + h_2 x_{n-1} \\ h_2 x_0 + h_1 x_1 + \dots + h_3 x_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ h_{n-1} x_0 + h_{n-2} x_1 + \dots + h_0 x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.0.3)$$

3 EXPLANATION

Simplifying

$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} h_0 & h_{n-1} & h_{n-2} & \dots & h_2 & h_1 \\ h_1 & h_0 & h_{n-1} & \dots & h_3 & h_2 \\ h_2 & h_1 & h_0 & \dots & h_4 & h_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ h_{n-1} & h_{n-2} & h_{n-3} & \dots & h_1 & h_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.1)$$

Therefore we can write equation (1.0.1) in matrix form as $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X}$ where

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} h_0 & h_{n-1} & h_{n-2} & \dots & h_2 & h_1 \\ h_1 & h_0 & h_{n-1} & \dots & h_3 & h_2 \\ h_2 & h_1 & h_0 & \dots & h_4 & h_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ h_{n-1} & h_{n-2} & h_{n-3} & \dots & h_1 & h_0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.0.2)$$

\mathbf{H} is a matrix of dimension $n \times n$. Since the actual signal is a periodic repetition of Each term of the signal \mathbf{Y} can be written as

$$y_k = y_{(k \bmod n)} \quad (3.0.3)$$

Where each term y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1} are derived from the circular convolution.