

# Signal and System fiche

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## General Stuff

- Euler formula

$$\cos(x) = \operatorname{Re}(e^{ix}) = \frac{e^{ix} + e^{-ix}}{2}$$

$$\sin(x) = \operatorname{Im}(e^{ix}) = \frac{e^{ix} - e^{-ix}}{2i}$$

$$e^{ix} = \cos(x) + i \sin(x)$$

$$e^{-ix} = \cos(-x) + i \sin(-x) = \cos(x) - i \sin(x)$$

- Impulse response =  $h(t)$
- Transfer function =  $H(s)$
- Frequency response =  $H(j\omega)$

# Signals and Systems

## Signals

- A continuous-time signal  $x(t)$  is called **periodic** with period  $T$  if for all times  $t$  we have :  $x(t) = x(t + T)$  (idem for discrete time)
- The **Energy** of a signal:
  - Continuous signal:  $\mathcal{E} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt$
  - Discrete signal:  $\mathcal{E} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x[n]|^2$
- The **Power** of a signal:
  - Continuous time:  $\mathcal{P} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |x(t)|^2 dt$
  - Discrete time:  $\mathcal{P} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{n=-N}^N |x[n]|^2$

## Systems

- A **System** takes a signal as input and outputs a new signal. It is expressed as :  $y(t) = \mathcal{H}\{x(t)\}$  or  $y[n] = \mathcal{H}\{x[n]\}$
- Properties:
  - **Linearity**:  $\mathcal{H}\{a_1 x_1(t) + a_2 x_2(t)\} = a_1 \mathcal{H}\{x_1(t)\} + a_2 \mathcal{H}\{x_2(t)\}$  (idem for discrete time)
  - **Time Invariance**: if system input  $x(t)$  produces system output  $y(t)$  then system input  $x(t - \tau)$  produces system output  $y(t - \tau)$  (idem for discrete time)
  - **Memory**: The system output only depends on the current system input (idem for discrete time)
  - **Invertibility**: A system is called invertible if distinct inputs lead to distinct outputs (idem for discrete time)
  - **Causality**: A System is causal if its output signal only depends on present and past inputs, but not on future inputs (idem for discrete time)
  - **Stability**: A system  $\mathcal{H}$  is *stable* if for all *bounded* input signals  $x(t)$ , the corresponding output signal  $y(t) = \mathcal{H}\{x(t)\}$  is also bounded. (idem for discrete time)

## Linear Time Invariant Systems (LTI)

- *Kronecker-delta function*:

$$\delta[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } n = 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **Impulse Response**: The fundamental upshot is that any LTI system is uniquely characterized by its impulse response.
  - Discrete time:  $h[n] = \mathcal{H}\{\delta[n]\}$  is simply the system response when the input is Kronecker-delta function  $\delta[n]$ . The signal  $h[n]$  is called the *impulse response* of the system  $\mathcal{H}\{\cdot\}$ . We can characterize the system output signal as:

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

- Continuous time:  $h(t) = \mathcal{H}\{\delta(t)\}$  is simply the system response when the input is Dirac delta function  $\delta(t)$ . The signal  $h(t)$  is called the *impulse response* of the system  $\mathcal{H}\{\cdot\}$ . We can characterize the system output signal as:

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

- **Convolution operation:** The output signal is simply given by the convolution of the input signal with the impulse response.
  - Discrete time:  $[x * h](n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k]h[n-k]$
  - Continuous time:  $(x * h)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau$
  - Properties:
    - \* *Commutative:*  $(x * h)(t) = (h * x)(t)$  (idem for discrete time)
    - \* *Distributive:*  $(x * (h_1 + h_2))(t) = (x * h_1)(t) + (x * h_2)(t)$  (idem for discrete time)
    - \* *Associative:*  $((x * h_1) * h_2) = (x * (h_1 * h_2))$  (idem for discrete time)
- **Composition of LTI systems**
  - Parallel:  $y(t) = \mathcal{G}\{x(t)\} = \mathcal{H}_1\{x(t)\} + \mathcal{H}_2\{x(t)\}$ . If both  $\mathcal{H}_1$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2$  are LTI system  $\mathcal{G}$  is also an LTI system and its impulse response  $g(t)$  is given by:  $g(t) = h_1(t) + h_2(t)$  (idem for discrete time)
  - Serie:  $y(t) = \mathcal{G} = \mathcal{H}_2\{\mathcal{H}_1\{x(t)\}\}$ . If both  $\mathcal{H}_1$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2$  are LTI system  $\mathcal{G}$  is also an LTI system and its impulse response  $g(t)$  is given by:  $g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_1(\tau)h_2(t-\tau)d\tau$  or  $g[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h_1[k]h_2[n-k]$
- **Properties:**
  - **Memory:** An LTI system is *memoryless* if and only if, for some constant  $a$  we have:  $y(t) = ax(t)$  (idem for discrete time)
  - **Invertibility** An LTI system with impulse response  $h(t)$  is *invertible* if and only if there exists a function  $g(t)$  such that  $(g * h)(t) = \delta(t)$ . (idem for discrete time)
  - **Causality:** An LTI system is *causal* if and only if the impulse response function is indetically zero for negative lags:  $h(t) = 0$  for  $t < 0$  (idem for discrete time)
  - **Stability:** An LTI system is *stable* if and only if the impulse response function absolutely integrable (or summable), i.e., if and only if:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)|dt < \infty$  or  $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[k]| < \infty$

## Fourier Methods for Stable LTI Systems

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## Frequency Response of Stable LTI Systems

- **Frequency response** Let us suppose that the input to our stable LTI system is given by  $x(t) = e^{jw_0t}$  or  $x[n] = e^{jw_0n}$ . Then the output is given by :

- Continuous:

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{jw_0(t-\tau)}h(\tau)d\tau = H(w_0)e^{jw_0t}$$

- Discrete:

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{jw_0(n-k)}h[k] = H(e^{jw_0})e^{jw_0n}$$

We call  $H(w_0)$  the *frequency response* of our LTI system at frequency  $w_0$

- **Properties**
  - $x(t) = e^{-jw_0t} = \cos(-w_0t) + j \sin(-w_0t)$  (idem for discrete time)

- When the impulse response  $h(t)$  of the system is *real-valued*, the frequency response satisfies :  $H(w_0) = H^*(-w_0)$ . Where  $*$  denotes the complex conjugate. One often says that in this case the frequency response is *conjugate-symmetric* (idem for discrete time)
- **Convolution** Let us consider two systems with frequency responses  $H_1(w)$  and  $H_2(w)$  respectively:
  - Parallel: The overall system has frequency response:  $G(w) = H_1(w) + H_2(w)$  (idem for discrete time)
  - Serie: The overall system has frequency response:  $G(w) = H_1(w)H_2(w)$  (idem for discrete time)
- **Sampling**  $x_p(t) = x(t)p(t)$  where  $p(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT)$ . Combining the two first result we have :

$$x_p(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT)\delta(t - nT)$$

$$X_p(\omega) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega - k\omega_s)$$

- *Sampling theorem*: Let  $x(t)$  be a band-limited signal with  $X(w) = 0$  for  $|w| > w_m$ . Then  $x(t)$  is uniquely determined by its samples  $x(nT)$ ,  $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ , if  $w_s > 2w_m$  where  $w_s = \frac{2\pi}{T}$ . The frequency  $2w_m$  is commonly referred as the *Nyquist rate* (The frequency  $w_m$  corresponding to one-half the Nyquist rate is often referred to as the *Nyquist frequency*)
- The **reconstruction** in the time domain becomes :

$$x_r(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT) \frac{w_c T}{\pi} \frac{\sin_{w_c}(t - nT)}{w_c(t - nT)}$$

$$X_r(\omega) = X_p(\omega)H(\omega)$$

## The Transfer Function and The Z-Transform

- We define the Z-transform as :

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]z^{-n}$$

- The signal is *causal* (that is right-sided) if the ROC extends indefinitely outwards
- The signal is *anti-causal* (that is left-sided) if the ROC includes the origin
- The time-domain signal is *stable* (that is absolutely summable) if and only if the ROC includes the \*unit-circle. Whenever the ROC includes the unit circle, this implies that the discrete-time Fourier transform of the time-domain signal also exists.
- To be a valid ROC we must have:
  - The ROC is either a circle or an annulus (possibly spreading indefinitely) centered at the origin of the  $z$ -plane.
  - The ROC is bounded by poles or extends to infinity. It cannot contain any poles of  $H(z)$
  - The ROC includes the unit circle, then the system is stable
- **Composition** Same as above

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## Transfer Function and The Laplace Transform

- **The Transfer Function** Let us suppose that the input to our LTI system is given by  $x(t) = e^{st}$  for an arbitrary *complex-valued* constant  $s$ . Then, the output is given by :

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

- **The Laplace Transform** For a time-domain signal  $x(t)$ , the Laplace transform is defined as :

$$X(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-st} dt$$

We observe that by only considering  $s$  of the form  $s = j\omega$ , that is, by evaluating the Laplace Transform only along the imaginary axis in the complex  $s$ -plane, we obtain exactly the Fourier transform. In this sense, the Laplace Transform is a strict generalization of the Fourier transform

- The signal is **causal** (that is right sided) if the ROC extends indefinitely to the right
- The signal is **anti-causal** (that is left sided) if the ROC extends indefinitely to the left
- The time-domain signal is **stable** (that is absolutely integrable) if and only if ROC includes the *imaginary axis*. Whenever the ROC includes the imaginary axis, this implies that Fourier transform of the time-domain signal also exists
- To be a valid ROC we must have:
  - The ROC consists of strips parallel to the  $j\omega$ -axis in the  $s$ -plane
  - The ROC is bounded by poles or extends to infinity. It cannot contain any poles.
  - If the ROC includes the imaginary axis, then the signal is stable
- **Composition** same as above

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## Example

- **Non time invariant :**

$$\begin{aligned} y[n] = \mathcal{H}(x[n]) &= x[n] \cos(\omega_0 n) \implies y[n - n_0] = x[n - n_0] \cos(\omega_0 (n - n_0)) \\ \mathcal{H}(x[n - n_0]) &= x[n - n_0] \cos(\omega_0 n) \end{aligned}$$