



## ECE 251 : Signals and Systems Fundamentals

### Course Project Description

Fall 2022

## 1 Objectives:

- Become familiar with Matlab / GNU-Octave.
- Use Matlab / GNU-Octave to deal with signals in time and frequency domain.
- Use Matlab / GNU-Octave to design Butterworth low-pass and high-pass filters.

## 2 Introduction:

- The musical notes are sinusoidal waves whose frequencies are defined by the following equation

$$f_n = f_0 \cdot \alpha^n \quad (1)$$

where  $n$  is an integer,  $f_0 = 440$  Hz, and  $\alpha = 2^{(1/12)}$ .

- The frequency of the musical note DO is  $f_{(-9)}$ , that is to substitute for  $n = -9$  in equation (1)

$$f_{(-9)} = 440 \times 2^{(-9/12)} = 261.6256 \text{ Hz}$$

- The Musical notes in a C-Major musical scale are (DO, RE, MI, FA, SOL, LA, TI, DO). The frequencies of these musical notes are defined by equation (1) for the following values of the integer  $n$

$$n_{\text{C-Major}} = \left[ \underbrace{-9}_{\text{DO}}, \underbrace{-7}_{\text{RE}}, \underbrace{-5}_{\text{MI}}, \underbrace{-4}_{\text{FA}}, \underbrace{-2}_{\text{SOL}}, \underbrace{0}_{\text{LA}}, \underbrace{2}_{\text{TI}}, \underbrace{3}_{\text{DO}} \right] \quad (2)$$

Note that  $n = -9$  corresponds to DO, where as  $n = 3$  corresponds to another DO with a higher frequency. It goes the same way for all musical notes.

## 3 Steps:

1. (4%) Generate four signals  $x_1(t)$ ,  $x_2(t)$ ,  $x_3(t)$  and  $x_4(t)$  which correspond to the four musical notes DO, RE, MI and FA. Let the time duration of each musical note be half a second.

$$x_1(t) = \cos(2\pi f_{(-9)}t)$$

$$x_2(t) = \cos(2\pi f_{(-7)}t)$$

$$x_3(t) = \cos(2\pi f_{(-5)}t)$$

$$x_4(t) = \cos(2\pi f_{(-4)}t)$$

What is an appropriate sampling frequency  $f_s$  in this case?

2. (4%) Create a signal  $x(t)$  which corresponds to sequentially playing the musical notes (DO, RE, MI, FA) which you have created in the previous step. Store the generated signal  $x(t)$  as an audio file with extension (\*.wav)

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3. (4%) Plot the signal  $x(t)$  versus time  $t$ .
4. (4%) Compute the energy of the signal  $x(t)$ .
5. (4%) Compute the frequency spectrum  $X(f)$  of this signal.
6. (4%) Plot the magnitude of  $X(f)$  in the frequency range  $-f_s/2 \leq f \leq f_s/2$ , where  $f_s$  is the sampling frequency.
7. (4%) Compute the Energy of the signal  $x(t)$  from its frequency spectrum  $X(f)$ , and hence you can verify Parseval's theorem.
8. (4%) Design a Butterworth low-pass filter with filter order 20 such that when the signal  $x(t)$  is applied to this filter, the output does NOT contain the MI and FA musical notes. What is the cut-off frequency of this filter?
9. (4%) Plot the magnitude and phase response of the Butterworth LPF you've designed.
10. (4%) Apply the signal  $x(t)$  to this Butterworth LPF and let's denote the output signal as  $y_1(t)$ .
11. (4%) Store the generated signal  $y_1(t)$  as an audio file with extension (\*.wav)
12. (4%) Plot the signal  $y_1(t)$  versus time  $t$ .
13. (4%) Compute the energy of the signal  $y_1(t)$ .
14. (4%) Compute the frequency spectrum  $Y_1(f)$  of this signal.
15. (4%) Plot the magnitude of  $Y_1(f)$  in the frequency range  $-f_s/2 \leq f \leq f_s/2$ .
16. (4%) Compute the Energy of the signal  $y_1(t)$  from its frequency spectrum  $Y_1(f)$ , and hence you can verify Parseval's theorem.
17. (4%) Design a Butterworth high-pass filter with filter order 20 such that when the signal  $x(t)$  is applied to this filter, the output does NOT contain the DO and RE musical notes. What is the cut-off frequency of this filter?
18. (4%) Plot the magnitude and phase response of the Butterworth HPF you've designed.
19. (4%) Apply the signal  $x(t)$  to this Butterworth HPF and let's denote the output signal as  $y_2(t)$ .
20. (4%) Store the generated signal  $y_2(t)$  as an audio file with extension (\*.wav)
21. (4%) Plot the signal  $y_2(t)$  versus time  $t$ .
22. (4%) Compute the energy of the signal  $y_2(t)$ .
23. (4%) Compute the frequency spectrum  $Y_2(f)$  of this signal.
24. (4%) Plot the magnitude of  $Y_2(f)$  in the frequency range  $-f_s/2 \leq f \leq f_s/2$ .

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25. (4%) Compute the Energy of the signal  $y_2(t)$  from its frequency spectrum  $Y_2(f)$ , and hence you can verify Parseval's theorem.

## **4 Useful Matlab / GNU-Octave Commands:**

1. buttord, butter
2. zp2sos, sosfilt
3. freqz
4. fft, fftshift
5. audioread, audiowrite

1. Each **group of 4/5 students** should work together and submit one report.
2. Please prepare one compressed file that includes the following items:
  - (a) Your Matlab / GNU-Octave codes (\*.m files).
  - (b) A report (pdf files Only) that includes your output waveform, the energy values to be computed, plots of the filtered signal, etc.
  - (c) In your report make sure to clearly indicate the contribution of each member of the group.
  - (d) The audio files generated by your code.
3. Project should be submitted on LMS before 11 : 59 PM on December 24<sup>th</sup> 2022.

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Good Luck