DSP For Scientists and Engineers Notes

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1 The Breadth and Depth of DSP

These are my personal notes from learning DSP using The Scientists and Engineers Guide to Digital Signal Processing, Second Edition.

The first chapter goes over the history and where you can find use for DSP work. The book writes some psuedo-code in a "BASIC" like language. I will be attempting to move it over to Python. Matlab would be better but I don't have it.

2 Statistics, Probability and Noise

2.1 Signals and Graph Terminology

2.1.1 Definitions

- Signal is how one parameter is related to another parameter
- Continuous Signal is if BOTH parameters can assume a continuous range
- Discrete Signal is if BOTH parameters are quantized in some manner
- Time Domain is if the X axis (the independent variable) is time
- Frequency Domain is if the X axis (the independent variable) is frequency

2.1.2 Concepts

- The two parameters of a signal are not interchangeable
- The parameter on the Y axis is a function of the one on the X axis
- Mathematicians tend to do 1-N, everyone else does 0-(N-1)

2.2 Mean and Standard Deviation

2.2.1 Mean

• Mean μ is the average of the signal. Add all samples together and divide by N. In electronics this is the DC (direct current) value.

$$\mu = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} x_i$$

```
def Mean(self):

"""

Calculate the mean of a list of values.

The self.samples list should be set when instantiating
this instance.

"""

mean = 0
for x in self.samples:
mean = mean + x
mean = mean/len(self.samples)
return mean
```

2.2.2 Standard Deviation and Variance

- Average Deviation is not commonly used. Sums up all the deviations, from the mean, for each sample and divided by the number of samples. Use absolute values for deviation otherwise differences could cancel out.
- Standard Deviation averages the power. This is the AC portion of the signal.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (x_i - \mu)^2}$$

```
def StandardDeviation(self):
1
2
            Calculate the standard deviation of a list of values.
            The self. samples list should be set when instantiating
            this\ instance.
            mean = self.Mean()
            std = 0.0
            for x in self. samples:
10
                std = std + math.pow((x - mean), 2)
11
            std = std / (len(self.samples) - 1)
12
            std = math.sqrt(std)
13
            return std
```

• Variance is commonly used in statistics. Notice variance and standard deviation both divide by N-1, not N!

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (x_i - \mu)^2$$

```
def Variance(self):
    """

Calculate the variance of a list of values.
    The self.samples list should be set when instantiating
    this instance.
    """

return math.pow(self.StandardDeviation(), 2)
```

• Root Mean Square (rms) measures both the AC and DC components.

$$x_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (x_i)^2}$$

2.2.3 Running Statistics

• Running Statistics is often needed. In this situation we want to recompute mean and standard deviation of new signal added in without redoing all of the calculations

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (x_i)^2 - \frac{1}{N} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x_i \right)^2 \right)$$

```
1
2
        def RunningStatistics(self):
3
             Calculate the mean, variance and std while running through a list of
4
             values. The self samples list should be set when instantiating
             this\ instance.
            mean = 0
             variance = 0
10
             std = 0
11
            temp sum = 0
12
            sum\_squares = 0
            N = \overline{len}(self. samples)
13
14
            for x in self.samples:
                 temp\_sum \ = \ temp\_sum \ + \ x
15
                 sum\_squares = sum\_squares + math.pow(x, 2)
16
17
                 mean = temp_sum/N
                 variance = (sum\_squares - (math.\textbf{pow}(temp\_sum, 2)/N)) / (N - 1)
18
19
                 std = math.sqrt(variance)
                 print("RunningStatistics: Mean {} Variance {} STD {}".format(
20
21
                     mean, variance, std))
22
            return mean, variance, std
```

- In some situations mean decribes what is being measured and standard deviation measures noise
- Signal to Noise Ration (SNR) is a comparison of mean to standard deviation

$$SNR = \frac{\mu}{\sigma}$$

• Coefficient of Variance (CV) is the standard deviation divided by the mean and multiplied by 100%.

$$CV = \frac{\sigma}{\mu} * 100\%$$

• High SNR and Low CV is a good signal!

- 2.3 Signal vs. Underlying Process
- 2.4 The Histogram, PMF and PDF
- 2.5 The Normal Distribution
- 2.6 Digital Noise Generation
- 2.7 Precision and Accuracy

- 3 ADC and DAC
- 3.1 Definitions
- 3.2 Concepts

4 Appendix A – Code Listing

4.1 DSP Source Code

```
#! /usr/bin/env python3
    import math
5
    class DSP():
        DSP Demonstration class that implements the code
9
         from DSP For Scientists and Engineers, Second Edition
10
11
        def __init__(self, samples=None):
12
13
14
             \mathbf{self}. \, \mathbf{samples} = \mathbf{samples}
15
16
             return
17
        def Mean(self):
18
19
             Calculate the mean of a list of values.
20
21
             The self. samples list should be set when instantiating
22
             this\ instance.
23
24
             mean = 0
             for x in self. samples:
25
26
                  mean \, = \, mean \, + \, x
27
             mean = mean/len(self.samples)
28
             return mean
29
        def StandardDeviation(self):
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             Calculate the standard deviation of a list of values.
33
             The self. samples list should be set when instantiating
             this\ instance\,.
34
35
             mean = self.Mean()
36
37
             std\ =\ 0.0
             for x in self.samples:
38
39
                  std = std + math.pow((x - mean), 2)
             std = std / (len(self.samples) - 1)
40
41
             std = math.sqrt(std)
             \textbf{return} \hspace{0.1cm} \operatorname{std}
42
43
        def Variance(self):
44
45
46
             Calculate the variance of a list of values.
47
             The self. samples list should be set when instantiating
48
             this\ instance .
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49
             return math.pow(self.StandardDeviation(), 2)
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51
        def RunningStatistics(self):
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```

```
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54
             Calculate the mean, variance and std while running through a list of
             values. The self.samples list should be set when instantiating
55
56
             this\ instance.
57
58
             mean = 0
             variance\,=\,0
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             std = 0
61
             temp\_sum \, = \, 0
             sum_squares = 0
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63
             N = \overline{len}(self. samples)
             for x in self.samples:
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65
                 temp\_sum \ = \ temp\_sum \ + \ x
66
                 sum\_squares = sum\_squares + math.pow(x, 2)
                 mean = temp sum/N
67
                 variance = \overline{(sum\_squares - (math.pow(temp\_sum, 2)/N))} / (N-1)
68
69
                 std = math.sqrt(variance)
                 print("RunningStatistics: Mean {} Variance {} STD {}".format(
70
71
                     mean, variance, std))
             return mean, variance, std
72
```

4.2 DSP Test Code

```
\#! /usr/bin/env python3
 2
      " " "
 3
      Check\ Results:
 4
     8
     import DSP
 9
10
11
     \begin{array}{ll} \textbf{if} \ \underline{\quad} \text{name} & = & \text{"}\underline{\quad} \text{main}\underline{\quad} \text{"}: \\ \text{samples} & = & [\text{x} \ \textbf{for} \ \text{x} \ \textbf{in} \ \textbf{range}(100)] \\ \text{dsp} & = & \text{DSP}.\text{DSP}(\text{samples}) \end{array}
12
13
14
            print(samples)
15
            \label{eq:print} \textbf{print}(\texttt{"Mean } \{\} \texttt{ ".format}(\operatorname{dsp.Mean}()))
16
            print("StandardDeviation {} ".format(dsp.StandardDeviation()))
17
            print("Variance {} ".format(dsp.Variance()))
18
19
            mean, variance, std = dsp.RunningStatistics()
```