

Digital Signal Processing Lab

Demo 12 - Exercise 1 (bandpass filter with block input-output)

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Solution

In this solution, we simply modify the `wave_filter_python.py` such that it reads and writes the signal in blocks instead of one signal value at a time without using Numpy.

To process blocks instead of singular signal values, we made the following changes in the code:

- We first define the block duration (a value between 10 and 60ms). For the purposes of this demo, we will choose a value of 30ms.

```
1 BLOCK_DURATION = 0.03 # 30 ms block duration
2 BLOCKLEN = int(RATE * BLOCK_DURATION)
3 num_blocks = int(math.floor(signal_length / BLOCKLEN))
4
```

- We then process each block of the input bytes as per the samples in each of the block in the loop:

```
1 for n in range(num_blocks):
2
```

- For each of the blocks, we will first read that block, convert it to binary data using `struct.unpack`, and then prepare the output list. Similar pipeline as we did for the singular signal values but a key difference to note here is that since we are dealing with multiple signal values for one block, a scaler representation is insufficient, therefore the binary data is converted to a **tuple** of ints.

```
1 # read one block of input
2 input_bytes = wf.readframes(BLOCKLEN)
3
4 # if not enough data (end of file), break
5 if len(input_bytes) < BLOCKLEN * width:
6     break
7
8 # Convert binary data to tuple of ints
9 input_block = struct.unpack('h' * BLOCKLEN, input_bytes)
10
```

- We then prepare our output list, and process the block sample by sample in a nested for loop.

```
1 # Prepare output list
2 output_block = [0] * BLOCKLEN
3
4 # PROCESS BLOCK SAMPLE-BY-SAMPLE
5 for i in range(BLOCKLEN):
6     x0 = input_block[i]
7
8     y0 = b0*x0 + b2*x2 + b4*x4 - a1*y1 - a2*y2 - a3*y3 - a4*y4
9
10    # shift delay values
11    x4, x3, x2, x1 = x3, x2, x1, x0
12    y4, y3, y2, y1 = y3, y2, y1, y0
13
14    # clip and store
15    output_block[i] = int(clip16(y0))
16
```

- And then of course, we pack the block in the binary format and write it to the audio stream.

```
1  output_bytes = struct.pack('h' * BLOCKLEN, *output_block)
2
3  # Write block to audio output
4  stream.write(output_bytes)
5
```

This solution ensures the same output as produced by the original individually processed signal values method.

Addendum

Attached here is the full code:

```
1 # wave_filter_python_blocks.py
2 # Modified from wave_filter_python.py to process audio in blocks (10-60 ms)
3
4 import pyaudio
5 import wave
6 import struct
7 import math
8
9 def clip16( x ):
10     # Clipping for 16 bits
11     if x > 32767:
12         x = 32767
13     elif x < -32768:
14         x = -32768
15     else:
16         x = x
17     return (x)
18
19 wavefile = 'author.wav'
20
21 print('Play the wave file %s.' % wavefile)
22
23 # Open wave file (should be mono channel)
24 wf = wave.open( wavefile, 'rb' )
25
26 # Read the wave file properties
27 num_channels    = wf.getnchannels()      # Number of channels
28 RATE           = wf.getframerate()      # Sampling rate (frames/second)
29 signal_length   = wf.getnframes()       # Signal length
30 width          = wf.getsampwidth()      # Number of bytes per sample
31
32 print('The file has %d channel(s).'      % num_channels)
33 print('The frame rate is %d frames/second.' % RATE)
34 print('The file has %d frames.'          % signal_length)
35 print('There are %d bytes per sample.'    % width)
36
37 # Difference equation coefficients
38 b0 = 0.008442692929081
39 b2 = -0.016885385858161
40 b4 = 0.008442692929081
41
42 # a0 = 1.0000000000000000
43 a1 = -3.580673542760982
44 a2 = 4.942669993770672
45 a3 = -3.114402101627517
46 a4 = 0.757546944478829
47
48 # Initialization
49 x1 = 0.0
50 x2 = 0.0
51 x3 = 0.0
52 x4 = 0.0
53 y1 = 0.0
54 y2 = 0.0
55 y3 = 0.0
```

```

56 y4 = 0.0
57
58 p = pyaudio.PyAudio()
59
60 # Open audio stream
61 stream = p.open(
62     format      = pyaudio.paInt16,
63     channels     = num_channels,
64     rate        = RATE,
65     input       = False,
66     output      = True )
67
68 BLOCK_DURATION = 0.03 # 30 ms block duration
69 BLOCKLEN = int(RATE * BLOCK_DURATION)
70 num_blocks = int(math.floor(signal_length / BLOCKLEN))
71
72 print('Processing in blocks of %d samples...' % BLOCKLEN)
73 print('* Playing...')
74
75 for n in range(num_blocks):
76
77     # read one block of input
78     input_bytes = wf.readframes(BLOCKLEN)
79
80     # if not enough data (end of file), break
81     if len(input_bytes) < BLOCKLEN * width:
82         break
83
84     # Convert binary data to tuple of ints
85     input_block = struct.unpack('h' * BLOCKLEN, input_bytes)
86
87     # Prepare output list
88     output_block = [0] * BLOCKLEN
89
90     # PROCESS BLOCK SAMPLE-BY-SAMPLE
91     for i in range(BLOCKLEN):
92         x0 = input_block[i]
93
94         y0 = b0*x0 + b2*x2 + b4*x4 - a1*y1 - a2*y2 - a3*y3 - a4*y4
95
96         # delays
97         x4, x3, x2, x1 = x3, x2, x1, x0
98         y4, y3, y2, y1 = y3, y2, y1, y0
99
100        # Compute output value
101        output_block[i] = int(clip16(y0))
102
103        # Pack block into binary format
104        output_bytes = struct.pack('h' * BLOCKLEN, *output_block)
105
106        # Write block to audio output
107        stream.write(output_bytes)
108
109    print('* Finished')
110
111    stream.stop_stream()
112    stream.close()
113    p.terminate()
114    wf.close()

```