# Signals

Continuous time or discrete time

Is the signal continuous or sampled in time?

Continuous valued or discrete valued Can the signal take any value or only discrete values?

Deterministic versus random

Can the 'shape' and the values of the signal be described and analysed by linear system techniques or do the values look like a sequence of random numbers?

### Frequency

- Continuous time signals can be characterised by a set of frequency components whose value can be to infinity
- Discrete time signals can be characterised by a limited set of frequencies limited to half the sampling frequency

### Frequency in discrete time signals

A discrete-time sinusoidal signal is given by

 $x(n) = A \cos(\omega n + \theta)$  where

n is an integer variable (the sample number), A is the

amplitude,  $\omega$  is the frequency in radians per sample,  $\theta$  is a phase offset in radians

The normalised frequency range is from  $-\pi$  to  $+\pi$  radians

A continuous sinusoid of 2 kHz sampled at 8000 samples per second has a normalised (wrt sampling frequency) frequency of

$$\frac{2000}{8000}$$
.  $2\pi = \pi/2$  radians per sample

Discrete time sinusoids whose frequencies are separated by an integer multiple of  $2\pi$  are identical.

The highest rate of oscillation in a discrete time sinusoid is at

$$\omega = \pi \quad (\text{ or } \omega = -\pi)$$

# Frequency in discrete time signals

A discrete time sinusoid is periodic only if its frequency f is a rational number

 $f_0 = k/N$  where N is usually the fundamental period and k is an integer

A set of harmonically related complex exponentials is given by  $s_k(n) = e^{j2\pi k f_0 n}$   $k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...$ 

Using  $f_0 = 1/N$  as the fundamental frequency

$$s_{k+N}(n) = e^{j2\pi n(k+N)/N} = e^{j2\pi n}$$
.  $s_k(n) = s_k(n)$ 

This means that there are only N distinct periodic complex exponentials in the set.

# Aliasing

A continuous time signal that has a frequency component value higher than half the sampling frequency is distorted when sampled.

The frequency component is transformed (aliased) into a lower frequency component altering (distorting) the original waveform.

To avoid frequency aliasing every digital system **must be preceded by a low pass analog filter** with cutoff at half the intended sampling frequency of the analog-to-digital converter.

# Quantising

Since the continuous value is (normally) discretised there is an error within the discrete system. Setting a discrete step of  $\Delta$  the quantisation error is within the range -  $\Delta/2$  to  $\Delta/2$ 

The mean square error power is  $P_q = \underline{\Delta}^2$ 

12 Assuming a range  $\pm A$  and b bits in the word then  $\Delta = 2A/2^{b}$ Hence

$$P_{q} = \underline{A^{2/3}}{2^{2b}}$$

The average signal power is  $A^2/2$ . Therefore the signal-toquantisation noise ratio (SQNR) is given by

$$\frac{P_s}{P_q} = \frac{3}{2} \cdot 2^{2b}$$

The SQNR increases approximately 6dB for every bit added to the

### **Discrete signals**

Impulse (unit sample)

 $\delta(n) = 1$  n = 0= 0 otherwise

Unit step signal

$$u(n) = 1 n \leftrightarrows 0$$
$$= 0 n < 0$$

Unit ramp signal

 $r(n) = n n \leftrightarrows 0$ = 0 n < 0

Exponential

 $\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{n}) = \mathbf{a}^{\mathbf{n}}$ 

### Classification of discrete signals

**Energy signals and power signals**  $E = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=\infty} |x(n)|^2$ 

Many signals having infinite energy have a finite average power Given by  $1 \qquad 1 \qquad \sum_{n=N}^{n=N} 1^{n=N}$ 

P = 
$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{n=-N} |x(n)|^2$$

If E is finite P = 0. But if E is infinite average power may be Finite or infinite. If P is finite and non-zero it is called a Power signal

Periodic signals are given by x(n+N) = x(n). If the energy over one period is finite the signal is a power signal. However the energy of the periodic signal is infinite.

Symmetric x(-n) = x(n)

Antisymmetric x(-n) = -x(n)

Signals are shifted in time by replacing n with n-kGiven x(n), x(n-2) is x(n) delayed by two units in time. x(n+3) is x(n) advanced by 3 units of time

### **Operations on Sequences**

Addition: The sum of two sequences  $x_1(n)$  and  $x_2(n)$  is

 $y(n) = x_1(n) + x_2(n)$  for all n

Multiplication  $y(n) = x_1(n) \cdot x_2(n)$  for all n

Scaling y(n) = A. x(n)

### **Block diagram representations**



### **Classification of sequences**

Time invariant vs time variant

Linear vs non linear systems

Causal vs non causal systems

Stable vs unstable systems

For most of our analysis we assume that the sequences we are working with belong to the class of linear, time-invariant (LTI) systems.

### LTI sequences

A sequence x(n) may be represented in terms of impulse responses by

$$x(n) = \sum_{k = -\infty}^{k = \infty} x(k) . \delta(n - k)$$

Generalising to an arbitrary transfer function h(n), the response y(n)For an input x(n) is given by

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{k=\infty} x(k) \cdot h(n-k) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{k=\infty} h(k) \cdot x(n-k)$$

y(n) = x(n) \* h(n) = h(n) \* x(n)

### LTI systems

An LTI system can have

A Finite Impulse Response (FIR) or an Infinite Impulse Response (IIR) Systems whose output depend only on present and past inputs are FIR. Systems who depend also on past outputs are IIR. An FIR system is also a nonrecursive system. A system that depends on past outputs is a recursive system.

In general 
$$y(n) = -\sum_{k=1}^{k=N} a_k \cdot y(n-k) + \sum_{k=1}^{k=M} b_k \cdot x(n-k)$$

If the  $a_k$  's are 0 the system is an FIR non-recursive system.

### **LTI system Properties**

Commutative x(n)\*h(n) = h(n)\*x(n)

Associative  $[x(n)^*(h_1(n)]^*h_2(n) = x(n)^*[h_1(n)]^*h_2(n)]$ 

Distributive  $x(n)*[h_1(n)+h_2(n)] = x(n)h_1(n) + x(n)*h_2(n)$ 

### Implementation of Discrete Time Systems



### Second Order system Structures



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### Z-Transform

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

Since the z-transform is a power series, it exists only for values of z for which the series converges. Hence every z-transform ha Region Of Convergence

For an FIR system the ROC is the entire z-plane with possibly the Exception of z=0 and/or z= infinity

# Characteristic ROC for Finite Duration Signals



Entire z-plane except z=0



Entire z-plane except x = infinity

Two-sided



Entire z-plane except z=0 and z = infinity



### One sided z-transform

This is given by  $X(z) \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{n=\infty} x(n) z^{-n}$ 

It does not contain information of x(n) n < 0. It is unique for causal signals,. The ROC must be the exterior of a circle which can extend To z=0. Hence the ROC is implicit. Most of the properties of the two sided z-transform carry over into

The one sided z-transform

### Properties of the z-transform

Linearity if  $x(n) = a_1x_1(n) + a_2x_2(n)$  then  $X(z) = a_1X_1(z) + a_2X_2(z)$ Time shifting  $x(n-k) = z^{-k} X(z)$ Scaling  $a^n x(n) = X(a^{-1} z)$ Time reversal  $x(-n) = X(z^{-1})$ Differentiation in z-domain  $nx(n) = -z \frac{dX(z)}{dz}$ Convolution if  $x(n)=x_1(n) * x_2(n)$  then  $X(z)=X_1(z) \cdot X_2(z)$ Multiplication if  $x(n) = x_1(n) x_2(n)$  then  $X(z) = X_1(z) * X_2(z)$ 

#### Poles and Zeroes

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{M} b_k z^{-k}}{\sum_{k=1}^{N} 1 - a_k z^{-k}}$$

In general the numerator power series has as roots the zeroes of X(z) while the denominator roots are the poles of X(z). Two important special forms are when all  $a_k$  are zero. In this case the solution is an all zero system and has a finite duration impulse response.

#### Pole Location and Time Domain Behaviour



#### **Complex Conjugate Poles**



#### Pole Location and Frequency Domain Behaviour



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#### Pole and Zero Location and Frequency Domain behaviour



#### Pole and Zero location of filters – All pass filter



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### Minimum and Maximum Phase

An FIR system with M zeros can be characterised by

$$H(w) = b_0 (1 - z_1 e^{-jw}) (1 - z_2 e^{-jw}) \cdots (1 - z_M e^{-jw})$$

Where  $z_i$  denote the zeros. If all the zeros are inside the unit circle, each term Corresponding to a real valued zero undergoes a net phase change of zero between  $\omega=0$  and  $\omega=\pi$ . Similarly each pair of complex conjugate zeroes will undergo a net phase change of zero. System called MINIMUM PHASE

When all the zeroes are outside the unit circle. A real valued zero contributes a net Phase change of  $\pi$  radians and a complex conjugate pair a net phase change of  $2\pi$  radians over the range  $\omega=0$  to  $\omega=\pi$ , which is the largest possible phase Change. System called MAXIMUM PHASE.

Magnitude response remains the same if one zero at  $z_k$  inside unit circle is Reflected outside the unit circle at 1/  $z_k$ . But phase change alters

### Sampling in Time and Frequency



### **Discrete Fourier Transform**

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j2\pi n \frac{k}{N}}$$

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X(k) e^{j 2\pi k \frac{n}{N}}$$

This result requires that the time record length L is less or equal to N, and the Frequency spectrum accuracy of  $2\pi/N$  requires N non-zero time samples.

# Properties of the DFT

The most important property relates to circular shift. This property comes from the fact that the time record of an N-point DFT is a periodic sequence  $x_p(n)$  of Period N.

Shifting the periodic sequence  $x_p(n)$  by k units to the right is equivalent to

 $x'(n) = x_p(n-k) = x(n-k, modulo N)$ 

**Circular Shift** 



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### Circular Shift



### Convolution with DFT's



Multiplication of two DFT's implies convolution of two periodic time sequences. This results in CIRCULAR CONVOLUTION

### **Circular Convolution**

$$X_{3}(k) = X_{1}(k) X_{2}(k)$$
  
$$x_{3}(m) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_{1}(n) x_{2}((m-n))_{N} \cdots m = 0, 1, \dots N-1$$

This is not linear convolution. Note that in this case  $x_1(n)$  is of length N,  $x_2(n)$  is also of length N, and the result  $x_3(n)$  is also of length N. In linear convolution the result of convolving a sequence of length N<sub>1</sub> with one of length N<sub>2</sub>, is an output sequence of length N<sub>1</sub> + N<sub>2</sub> – 1.

# Linear Convolution using the DFT

- For a signal of length N<sub>1</sub> passed through a filter of length N<sub>2</sub> the linear convolution results in N<sub>1</sub> + N<sub>2</sub> 1.
- Therefore EACH of the two time signals are brought to a length of at least  $N_1 + N_2 1$ by padding zeroes after the non-zero samples. Since both signals are of length  $N_1 + N_2 - 1$ , the result of the circular convolution Has also  $N_1 + N_2 - 1$  points.
- This circular convolution is however equivalent to a linear convolution

### Long input sequences

- When the input sequence to be filtered is very long, it is necessary to break the Signal into segments, do the processing, and then reunite again the segments.
- The overall effect must however be the same as if the signal filtered is continuous.
- This requires consideration both of valid samples in the output, as well as of the time For processing with respect to a real time application.
- Two methods are used

#### **OVERLAP SAVE**

#### **OVERLAP ADD**

### **Overlap and Save Method**





In this case the first segment has M-1 zeroes pre-added. Each new segment makes use of M-1 samples from the previous segment, so that every segment is L+M-1 samples long as required for linear convolution.



Discard first M-1 output samples from each output segment



When the valid samples from each segment are abutted the result is a linear convolution of the long sequence with the filter

### Overlap and Add method



In this case each segment has M-1 zeroes appended to make up the necessary length of L+M-1 for linear convolution

### Overlap and Add method



In this case the result of the circular convolution is all valid for the resultant linear convolution. The end (M-1 samples) part of a segment is added to the front part of the subsequent segment to give the proper result for that part

#### Number of samples in the time sequence and its frequency DFT response

In the analogue domain a periodic waveform is assumed to have a line frequency spectrum assuming the time waveform is infinite in length. A discrete sequence x(n) having L non zero samples can be considered as an infinite sequence x(n) multiplied by

r(n) 1 0 < n < L

0 otherwise

If x(n) has a frequency transform X(k) and r(n) has a frequency transform R(k), then the frequency transform x(n). r(n) is given by  $X(k)^*R(k)$  where \* denotes convolution

# Frequency Transform of a Rectangular Window



This has the first zero at  $\omega L/2 = \pi$  or  $\omega = 2 \pi/L$ 

### **Spectral Leakage**

Windowing reduces spectral resolution.

The spectrum  $W(\omega)$  of the rectangular window sequence has its first zero crossing at  $\omega = 2\pi/L$ . Now if  $|\omega_1 - \omega_2| < 2\pi/L$ , the two window functions  $W(\omega - \omega_1)$  and  $W(\omega - \omega_2)$  overlap and, as a consequence, the two spectral lines in x(n) are not distinguishable. Only if  $(\omega_1 - \omega_2) \ge 2\pi/L$  will we see two separate lobes in the spectrum  $\hat{X}(\omega)$ . Thus our ability to resolve spectral lines of different frequencies is limited by the window main lobe width. Figure 5.13 illustrates the magnitude spectrum  $|\hat{X}(\omega)|$ , computed via the DFT, for the sequence

$$x(n) = \cos \omega_0 n + \cos \omega_1 n + \cos \omega_2 n \tag{5.4.8}$$



Main lobe not sufficient to Distinguish  $\omega 1$  and  $\omega 2$  when L is only 25.

Two frequencies  $\omega 1$  and  $\omega 2$ are distinguished when L is 100. ( $2\pi/L$  is smaller). The Spectrum has also leaked all over the frequency range.

The convolution X(k) \* R(k) results in a smearing of the ideal line frequency spectrum, so that the frequency spectrum is spread and distorted. This is known as spectral leakage.

### Hamming and Hanning Windows

 $h(n) = 0.54 - 0.46 \cos \left[ 2\pi n / (M-1) \right]$  - Hamming function

#### $h(n) = 0.5[1 - cos[2\pi n/(M-1)]$ - Hanning function

M is the window length in samples

### **Time and Frequency Response**



### Sampling Requirements of Bandpass Signals



Integer band Positioning  $F_{H} = mB$ 

Note for m even the Inversion of The baseband Spectral image

### Sampling Requirements for Bandpass Signals



Figure 6.4.2 Illustration of bandpass signal sampling for arbitrary band positioning.

#### Choosing a Sampling Frequency for the Bandpass Signal



**Choosing a Sampling Frequency.** To appreciate the implications of conditions (6.4.11) and (6.4.12), we depict them graphically in Figure 6.4.3, as suggested by Vaughan et al. (1991). The plot shows the sampling frequency, normalized by B, as a function of the band position,  $F_H/B$ . This is facilitated by rewriting (6.4.11) as follows:

$$\frac{2}{k} \frac{F_H}{B} \le \frac{F_t}{B} \le \frac{2}{k-1} \left( \frac{F_H}{B} - 1 \right)$$
(6.4.13)

The shaded areas represent sampling rates that result in aliasing. The allowed range of sampling frequencies is inside the white wedges. For k = 1, we obtain  $2F_H \le F_x \le \infty$ , which is the sampling theorem for lowpass signals. Each wedge in the plot corresponds to a different value of k.

Choosing a Sampling Frequency for the Bandpass Signal

In practice a guard band is necessary. This results in

$$\frac{2F'_{H}}{k'} \leq F_{s} \leq \frac{2F'_{L}}{k'-1} \text{ where } k' = \left\lfloor \frac{F'_{H}}{B'} \right\rfloor$$
where
$$F'_{L} = F_{L} - \Delta B_{L}$$

$$F'_{R} = F_{H} + \Delta B_{R}$$

$$B' = B + \Delta B$$

$$\Delta F_{s} = \frac{2F'_{L}}{k'-1} - \frac{2F'_{R}}{k'} = \Delta F_{sL} + \Delta F_{sH}$$
From the shaded orthogonal triangles in Figure 6.4.4, we obtain
$$\Delta B_{L} = \frac{k'-1}{2} \Delta F_{sH}$$

$$\Delta B_{R} = \frac{k'}{2} \Delta F_{sL}$$



$$y(m) = v(mD)$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h(k)x(mD-k)$$

$$\tilde{v}(n) = \begin{cases} v(n), & n = 0, \pm D, \pm 2D, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(10.2.4)

Clearly,  $\tilde{v}(n)$  can be viewed as a sequence obtained by multiplying v(n) with a periodic train of impulses p(n), with period D, as illustrated in Fig. 10.3. The discrete Fourier series representation of p(n) is

$$p(n) = \frac{1}{D} \sum_{k=0}^{D-1} e^{j2\pi kn/D}$$
(10.2.5)

Hence

 $\tilde{v}(n) = v(n)p(n)$ 

(10.2.6)

and

$$y(m) = \tilde{v}(mD) = v(mD)p(mD) = v(mD) \tag{10.2.7}$$

$$Y(z) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{v}(m) z^{-m/D} = \frac{1}{D} \sum_{k=0}^{D-1} H_D(e^{-j2\pi k/D} z^{1/D}) X(e^{-j2\pi k/D} z^{1/D})$$

#### The ideal lowpass filter is given by

$$H_D(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1, & |\omega| \le \pi/D \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Since the sampling rates are related by the expression

$$F_y = \frac{F_x}{D}$$

 $\omega_y = D\omega_x \tag{10.2.13}$ 

Thus, as expected, the frequency range  $0 \le |\omega_x| \le \pi/D$  is stretched into the corresponding frequency range  $0 \le |\omega_y| \le \pi$  by the downsampling process.

$$Y(\omega_y) = \frac{1}{D} H_D\left(\frac{\omega_y}{D}\right) X\left(\frac{\omega_y}{D}\right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{D} X\left(\frac{\omega_y}{D}\right)$$



#### Multirate DSP - Interpolation

Let v(m) denote a sequence with a rate  $F_y = IF_x$ , which is obtained from x(n) by adding I - 1 zeros between successive values of x(n). Thus

$$w(m) = \begin{cases} x(m/I), & m = 0, \pm I, \pm 2I, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(10.3.1)

and its sampling rate is identical to the rate of y(m). This sequence has a z-transform

$$V(z) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} v(m) z^{-m}$$
  
= 
$$\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x(m) z^{-mI}$$
  
= 
$$X(z^{I})$$
 (10.3.2)

 $V(\omega_y) = X(\omega_y I)$ 

#### Multirate DSP - Interpolation



#### Multirate DSP - Interpolation

#### A lowpass filter is then used given by

$$H_{I}(\omega_{y}) = \begin{cases} C, & 0 \le |\omega_{y}| \le \pi/I \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(10.3.5)  
where C is a scale factor required to properly normalize the output sequence  $y(m)$ .  
Consequently, the output spectrum is  
$$Y(\omega_{y}) = \begin{cases} CX(\omega_{y}I), & 0 \le |\omega_{y}| \le \pi/I \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(10.3.6)

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where C i



In the time domain, the output of the upsampler is the sequence

$$v(l) = \begin{cases} x(l/I), & l = 0, \pm I, \pm 2I, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(10.4.2)

and the output of the linear time-invariant filter is

$$w(l) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(l-k)v(k)$$
$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(l-kI)x(k)$$

(10.4.3)

Finally, the output of the sampling rate converter is the sequence  $\{y(m)\}$ , which is obtained by downsampling the sequence  $\{w(l)\}$  by a factor of D. Thus

$$y(m) = w(mD)$$
  
=  $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(mD - kI)x(k)$  (10.4.4)

It is illuminating to express (10.4.4) in a different form by making a change in variable. Let

$$k = \left\lfloor \frac{mD}{I} \right\rfloor - n \tag{10.4.5}$$

where the notation  $\lfloor r \rfloor$  denotes the largest integer contained in r. With this change in variable, (10.4.4) becomes

$$y(m) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h\left(mD - \left\lfloor \frac{mD}{I} \right\rfloor I + nI\right) x\left(\left\lfloor \frac{mD}{I} \right\rfloor - n\right)$$
(10.4.6)

We note that

$$mD - \left\lfloor \frac{mD}{I} \right\rfloor I = mD \quad \text{modulo } I$$
$$= (mD)_{I}$$

Consequently, (10.4.6) can be expressed as

$$y(m) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h(nI + (mD)_I) x\left(\left\lfloor \frac{mD}{I} \right\rfloor - n\right)$$
(10.4.7)

 $y(m) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h\left(mD - \left\lfloor \frac{mD}{I} \right\rfloor I + nI\right) x\left(\left\lfloor \frac{mD}{I} \right\rfloor - n\right)$ 



#### Multirate DSP – Decimation by D

Decimation after calculating the output - inefficient



#### Multirate DSP – Decimation by D

#### Efficient Decimation file structure



#### Multirate DSP – Interpolation by I

Interpolation at input before filter - inefficient



#### Multirate DSP – Interpolation by I

#### Efficient Interpolation within the filter structure





#### Polyphase filter structures - Interpolation

$$p_k(n) = h(k + nI)$$
  $k = 0, 1, ..., I - 1$   
 $n = 0, 1, ..., K - 1$ 





#### Polyphase filter structures - Decimation

$$p_k(n) = h(k + nD)$$
  $k = 0, 1, ..., D - 1$   
 $n = 0, 1, ..., K - 1$  (10.5.4)

where K = M/D is an integer when M is selected to be a multiple of D. The commutator rotates in a counterclockwise direction starting with the filter  $p_0(n)$  at m = 0.



#### Polyphase filter structures

Although the two commutator structures for the interpolator and the decimator just described rotate in a counterclockwise direction, it is also possible to derive an equivalent pair of commutator structures having a clockwise rotation. In this alternative formulation, the sets of polyphase filters are defined to have impulse responses

$$p_k(n) = h(nI - k)$$
  $k = 0, 1, ..., I - 1$  (10.5.5)

$$p_k(n) = h(nD - k)$$
  $k = 0, 1, ..., D - 1$  (10.5.6)

for the interpolator and decimator, respectively.

#### Sampling Rate Conversion by I/D

