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Signals as Vectors Systems as Maps

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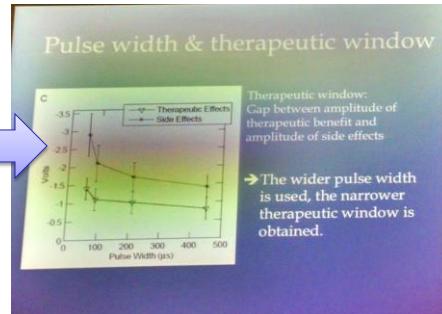
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Field Report: AASSFN 2016 [For the Break!]



- Patients with an attached stereotactic frame played musical instruments during surgery. Fluctuation in symptoms was carefully checked.

Ref: ANN NEUROL 2013;74:648–654, Fig. 2



System Terminology

System Classifications/Attributes

1. Linear and nonlinear systems
2. Constant-parameter and time-varying-parameter systems
3. Instantaneous (memoryless) and dynamic (with memory) systems
4. Causal and noncausal systems
5. Continuous-time and discrete-time systems
6. Analog and digital systems
7. Invertible and noninvertible systems
8. Stable and unstable systems



Linear Systems

Linearity:

- **A most desirable property for many systems to possess**
- Ex: Circuit theory, where it allows the powerful technique of voltage or current superposition to be employed.

Two requirements must be met for a system to be *linear*:

- *Additivity*
- *Homogeneity or Scaling*

***Additivity* \cup *Scaling* \rightarrow Superposition**



Linear Systems: Additivity

- **Given** input $x_1(t)$ produces output $y_1(t)$
and input $x_2(t)$ produces output $y_2(t)$
- **Then** the input $x_1(t) + x_2(t)$
must produce the output $y_1(t) + y_2(t)$
for arbitrary $x_1(t)$ and $x_2(t)$
- Ex:
 - Resistor
 - Capacitor
- **Not** Ex:
 - $y(t) = \sin[x(t)]$



Linear Systems: Homogeneity or Scaling

- **Given** that $x(t)$ produces $y(t)$
- **Then** the scaled input $a \cdot x(t)$
must produce the scaled output $a \cdot y(t)$
for an arbitrary $x(t)$ and a
- Ex:
 - $y(t) = 2x(t)$
- **Not** Ex:
 - $y(t) = x^2(t)$
 - $y(t) = 2x(t) + 1$



Linear Systems: Superposition

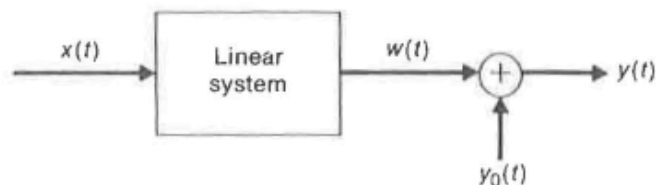
- **Given** input $x_1(t)$ produces output $y_1(t)$
and input $x_2(t)$ produces output $y_2(t)$
- **Then:** The linearly combined input
$$x(t) = ax_1(t) + bx_2(t)$$
must produce the linearly combined output
$$y(t) = ay_1(t) + by_2(t)$$
for arbitrary a and b
- **Generalizing:**
 - Input: $x(t) = \sum_k a_k x_k(t)$
 - Output: $y(t) = \sum_k a_k y_k(t)$



Linear Systems: Superposition [2]

Consequences:

- Zero input for all time yields a zero output.
 - This follows readily by setting $a = 0$, then $0 \cdot x(t) = 0$
- DC output/Bias → **Incrementally linear**
- Ex: $y(t) = [2x(t)] + [1]$
- Set offset to be added offset [Ex: $y_0(t)=1$]



Dynamical Systems...

- A system with a memory
 - Where past history (or derivative states) are **relevant** in determining the response
- Ex:
 - RC circuit: Dynamical
 - Clearly a function of the “capacitor’s past” (initial state) and
 - Time! (charge / discharge)
 - R circuit: is memoryless \therefore the output of the system (recall $V=IR$) at some time t only depends on the input at time t
- Lumped/Distributed
 - Lumped: Parameter is constant through the process & can be treated as a “point” in space
- Distributed: System dimensions \neq small over signal
 - Ex: waveguides, antennas, microwave tubes, etc.
 - ➔ Leading to **PDE** Models



Causality:

Causal (physical or nonanticipative) systems



- Is one for which the output at any instant t_0 depends only on the value of the input $x(t)$ for $t \leq t_0$. Ex:

$u(t) = x(t-2) \Rightarrow \text{causal}$

$u(t) = x(t-2) + x(t+2) \Rightarrow \text{noncausal}$
- A “real-time” system must be causal
 - How can it respond to future inputs?
- A prophetic system: knows future inputs and acts on it (now)
 - The output would begin before t_0
- In some cases Noncausal maybe modelled as causal with delay
- Noncausal systems provide **an upper bound** on the performance of causal systems



Causality:

Looking at this from the output's perspective...

- **Causal** = The output *before* some time t does not depend on the input *after* time t .

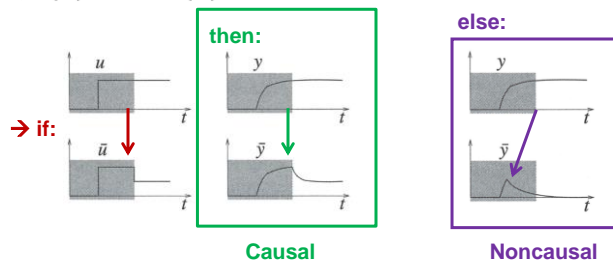
Given: $y(t) = F(u(t))$

For:

$$\hat{u}(t) = u(t), \forall 0 \leq t < T \text{ or } [0, T)$$

Then for a $T > 0$:

$$\rightarrow \hat{y}(t) = y(t), \forall 0 \leq t < T$$



Systems with Memory

- A system is said to have *memory* if the output at an arbitrary time $t = t_*$ depends on input values other than, or in addition to, $x(t_*)$

- Ex: Ohm's Law [MEMORYLESS]

$$V(t_o) = Ri(t_o)$$

- **Not** Ex: Capacitor [MEMORY]

$$V(t_o) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i(t) dt$$



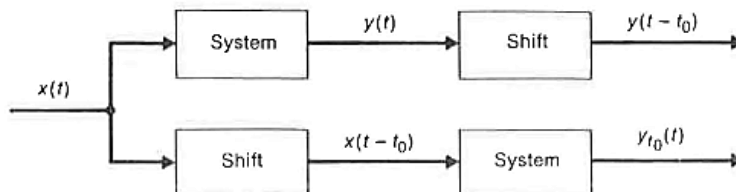
Time-Invariant Systems

- **Given** a shift (delay or advance) in the input signal
- **Then/Causes** simply a like shift in the output signal
- If $x(t)$ produces output $y(t)$
- Then $x(t - t_0)$ produces output $y(t - t_0)$
- Ex: Capacitor
- $$V(t_0) = \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^t i(\tau - t_0) d\tau$$
$$= \frac{1}{C} \int_{-\infty}^{t-t_0} i(\tau) d\tau$$
$$= V(t - t_0)$$



Time-Invariant Systems

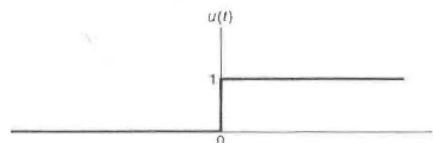
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Signal Terminology

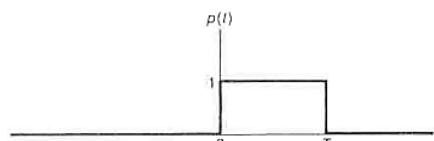
Unit Step Function

- $u(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < 0 \\ 1, & t > 0 \end{cases}$



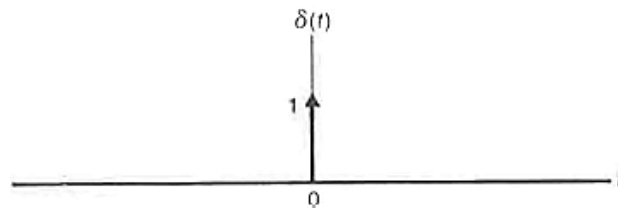
“Rectangular Pulse”

- $p(t) = u(t) - u(t - T)$



Unit-Impulse Function

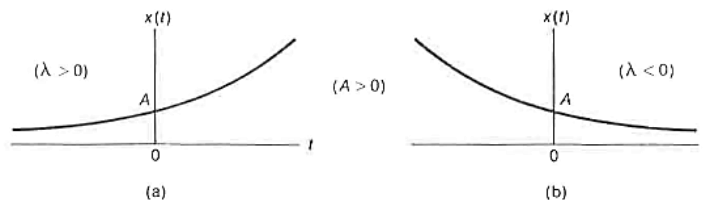
1. $\delta(t) = 0$ for $t \neq 0$.
2. $\delta(t)$ undefined for $t = 0$.
3. $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \delta(t) dt = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } t_1 < 0 < t_2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$



Complex Exponential Signals

$$x(t) = Ae^{\lambda t}$$

- A and λ are generally complex numbers.
- If A and λ are, in fact, real-valued numbers, $x(t)$ is itself real-valued and is called a **real exponential**

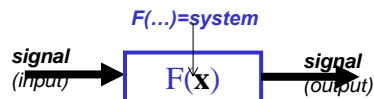


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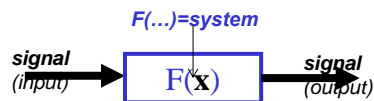
Signals as Vectors

Signals as Vectors

- Back to the beginning!



Signals as Vectors



- There is a perfect analogy between signals and vectors ...

Signals are vectors!

- A vector can be represented as a sum of its components in a variety of ways, depending upon the choice of coordinate system. A signal can also be represented as a sum of its components in a variety of ways.



Signals as Vectors

- Represent them as Column Vectors

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x[1] \\ x[2] \\ x[3] \\ \vdots \\ x[N] \end{bmatrix} .$$



Signals as Vectors

- Can represent phenomena of interest in terms of signals
- Natural vector space structure (addition/subtraction/norms)
- Can use norms to describe and quantify properties of signals



Signals as vectors

Signals can take **real** or **complex** values.

In both cases, a natural **vector space** structure:

- Can add two signals: $x_1[n] + x_2[n]$
- Can multiply a signal by a scalar number: $C \cdot x[n]$
- Form linear combinations: $C_1 \cdot x_1[n] + C_2 \cdot x_2[n]$



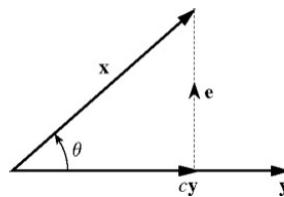
Various Types

- Audio signal (sound pressure on microphone)
- B/W video signal (light intensity on photosensor)
- Voltage/current in a circuit (measure with multimeter)
- Car speed (from tachometer)
- Robot arm position (from rotary encoder)
- Daily prices of books / air tickets / stocks
- Hourly glucose level in blood (from glucose monitor)
- Heart rate (from heart rate sensor)



Vector Refresher

$$\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = |\mathbf{x}||\mathbf{y}| \cos \theta \quad (6.46)$$



- Length: $|\mathbf{x}|^2 = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}$
- Decomposition: $\mathbf{x} = c_1 \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{e}_1 = c_2 \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{e}_2$
- Dot Product of \perp is 0: $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = 0$

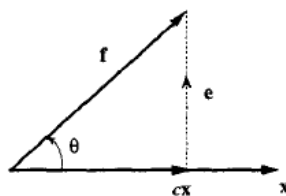


Vectors [2]

- Magnitude and Direction

$$\mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{x} = |\mathbf{f}||\mathbf{x}| \cos(\theta)$$

- Component (projection) of a vector along another vector

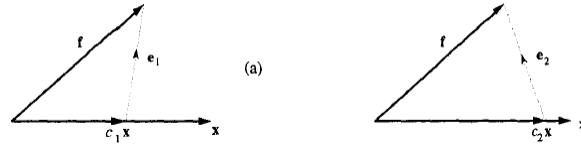


$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{cx} + \mathbf{e} \quad \leftarrow \text{Error Vector}$$



Vectors [3]

- ∞ bases given \vec{x}



- Which is the best one?

$$\begin{aligned} f &\simeq cx \\ c|x| &= |f| \cos \theta \\ c|x|^2 &= |f||x| \cos \theta = f \cdot x \\ c &= \frac{f \cdot x}{x \cdot x} = \frac{1}{|x|^2} f \cdot x \\ f \cdot x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Can I allow more basis vectors than I have dimensions?



Signals **Are** Vectors

- A Vector / Signal can represent a sum of its components

Remember (Lecture 5, Slide 10):

Total response = Zero-input response + Zero-state response

Initial conditions

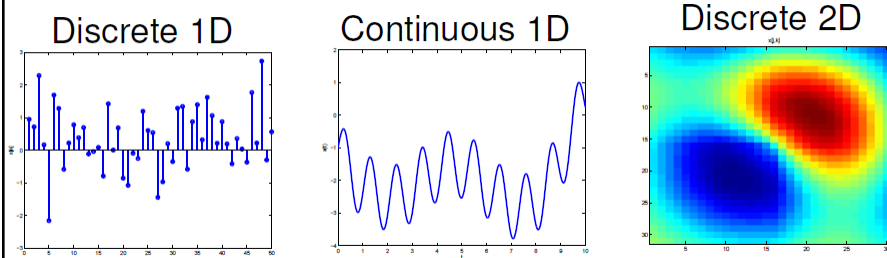
External Input

- Vectors are Linear
 - They have **additivity** and **homogeneity**

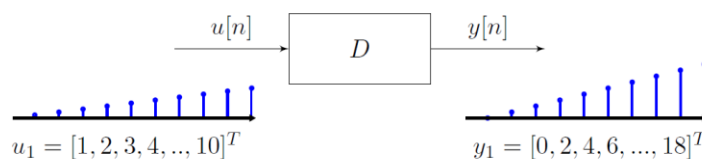


Vectors / Signals Can Be Multidimensional

- A signal is a quantity that varies as a function of an index set
- They can be multidimensional:
 - 1-dim, discrete index (time): $x[n]$
 - 1-dim, continuous index (time): $x(t)$
 - 2-dim, discrete (e.g., a B/W or RGB image): $x[j; k]$
 - 3-dim, video signal (e.g, video): $x[j; k; n]$



It's Just a Linear Map



- $y[n]=2u[n-1]$ is a linear map
- BUT $y[n]=2(u[n]-1)$ is **NOT** Why?
- **Because of homogeneity!**

$$T(au)=aT(u)$$



Norms of signals

Can introduce a notion of signals being "nearby."

This is characterized by a **metric** (or distance function).

$$d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

If compatible with the vector space structure, we have a **norm**.

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|$$



Examples of Norms

Can use many different norms, depending on what we want to do.

The following are particularly important:

- ℓ_2 (Euclidean) norm:

$$\|x\|_2 = \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |x[k]|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{norm}(\mathbf{x}, 2)$$

- ℓ_1 norm:

$$\|x\|_1 = \sum_{k=1}^n |x[k]| \quad \text{norm}(\mathbf{x}, 1)$$

- ℓ_∞ norm:

$$\|x\|_\infty = \max_k |x[k]| \quad \text{norm}(\mathbf{x}, \text{inf})$$

What are the differences?



Properties of norms

For any norm $\|\cdot\|$, and any signal x , we have:

- 1 Linearity: if C is a scalar,

$$\|C \cdot x\| = |C| \cdot \|x\|$$

- 2 Subadditivity (triangle inequality):

$$\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$$

Can use norms:

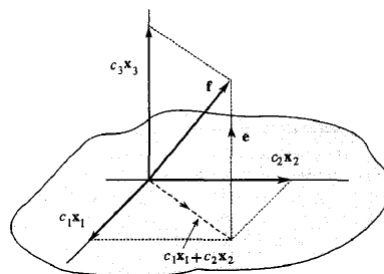
- To detect whether a signal is (approximately) zero.
- To compare two signals, and determine if they are “close.”

$$\|x - y\| \approx 0$$



Signal representation by Orthogonal Signal Set

- Orthogonal Vector Space



➔ A signal may be thought of as having components.



Component of a Signal

$$f(t) \simeq cx(t) \quad t_1 \leq t \leq t_2$$

$$c = \frac{\int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(t)x(t) dt}{\int_{t_1}^{t_2} x^2(t) dt} = \frac{1}{E_x} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(t)x(t) dt$$

- Let's take an example: $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(t)x(t) dt = 0$

$$f(t) \simeq c \sin t \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

$$x(t) = \sin t \quad \text{and} \quad E_x = \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2(t) dt = \pi$$

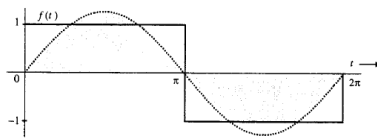


Fig. 3.3 Approximation of square signal in terms of a single sinusoid.

Thus

$$f(t) \simeq \frac{4}{\pi} \sin t \quad (3.14)$$



Basis Spaces of a Signal

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} x_m(t)x_n(t) dt = \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ E_n & m = n \end{cases}$$

$$f(t) \simeq c_1x_1(t) + c_2x_2(t) + \dots + c_Nx_N(t)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^N c_n x_n(t)$$

$$e(t) = f(t) - \sum_{n=1}^N c_n x_n(t)$$

$$c_n = \frac{\int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(t)x_n(t) dt}{\int_{t_1}^{t_2} x_n^2(t) dt}$$

$$= \frac{1}{E_n} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(t)x_n(t) dt \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$f(t) = c_1x_1(t) + c_2x_2(t) + \dots + c_nx_n(t) + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n x_n(t) \quad t_1 \leq t \leq t_2$$



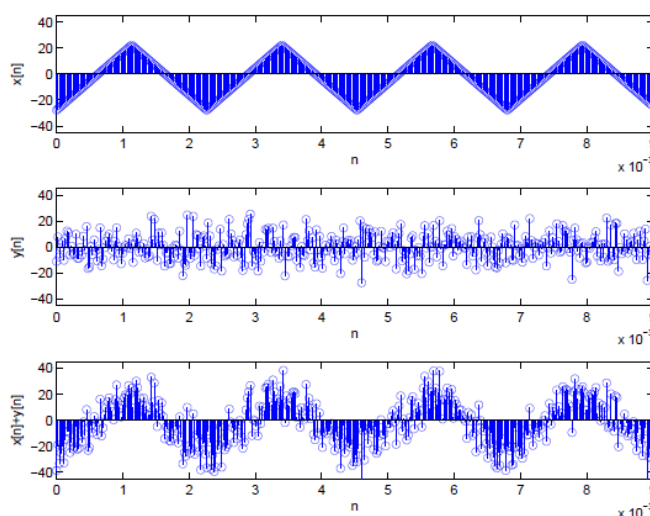
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- Observe that the error energy E_e generally decreases as N , the number of terms, is increased because the term $C_k^2 E_k$ is nonnegative. Hence, it is possible that the error energy $\rightarrow 0$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$. When this happens, the orthogonal signal set is said to be complete.
- In this case, it's no more an approximation but an equality



Linear combinations of signals

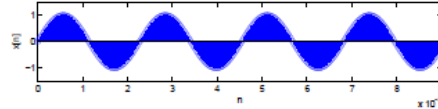


Application Example: Active Noise Cancellation

A “noise” signal, that we want to get rid of.

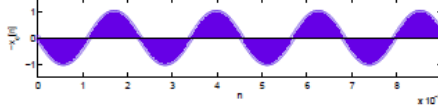
- At subject location, signal is

$$x[n]$$



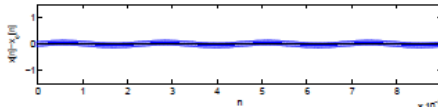
- Microphone picks up signal

$$x_c[n]$$



- Subtract the two signals:

$$y(t) = x(t) - x_c(t)$$

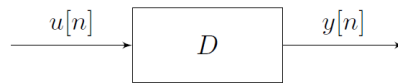


Notice careful synchronization is needed!



Systems as Maps

Then a System is a **MATRIX**



$$y = Du.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y[1] \\ y[2] \\ \vdots \\ y[M] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} & \cdots & D_{1N} \\ D_{21} & D_{22} & \cdots & D_{2N} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ D_{M1} & D_{M2} & \cdots & D_{MN} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u[1] \\ u[2] \\ \vdots \\ u[N] \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$y[i] = \sum_j D_{ij} u[j].$$



Linear Time Invariant



- Linear & Time-invariant (of course - tautology!)
- Impulse response: $\mathbf{h}(t) = \mathbf{F}(\delta(t))$
- Why?
 - Since it is linear the output response (\mathbf{y}) to any input (\mathbf{x}) is:

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

$$y(t) = F \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) \delta(t - \tau) d\tau \right] \xrightarrow{\text{linear}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) F[\delta(t - \tau)] d\tau$$

$$h(t - \tau) \stackrel{TI}{=} F[\delta(t - \tau)]$$

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

- The output of any continuous-time LTI system is the convolution of input $\mathbf{u}(t)$ with the impulse response $\mathbf{F}(\delta(t))$ of the system.



Linear Dynamic [Differential] System

≡ LTI systems for which the input & output are linear ODEs

$$a_0 y + a_1 \frac{dy}{dt} + \dots + a_n \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} = b_0 x + b_1 \frac{dx}{dt} + \dots + b_m \frac{d^m x}{dt^m}$$

Laplace:

$$a_0 Y(s) + a_1 s Y(s) + \dots + a_n s^n Y(s) = b_0 X(s) + b_1 s X(s) + \dots + b_m s^m X(s)$$
$$A(s)Y(s) = B(s)X(s)$$

- Total response = $\underbrace{\text{Zero-input response}}_{\text{Initial conditions}} + \underbrace{\text{Zero-state response}}_{\text{External Input}}$



Linear Systems and ODE's

- Linear system described by differential equation

$$a_0 y + a_1 \frac{dy}{dt} + \dots + a_n \frac{d^n y}{dt^n} = b_0 x + b_1 \frac{dx}{dt} + \dots + b_m \frac{d^m x}{dt^m}$$

- Which using Laplace Transforms can be written as

$$a_0 Y(s) + a_1 s Y(s) + \dots + a_n s^n Y(s) = b_0 X(s) + b_1 s X(s) + \dots + b_m s^m X(s)$$
$$A(s)Y(s) = B(s)X(s)$$

where $A(s)$ and $B(s)$ are polynomials in s



Unit Impulse Response



- $\delta(t)$: Impulsive excitation
- $h(t)$: characteristic mode terms

Ex:

EXAMPLE 2.4

Determine the unit impulse response $h(t)$ for a system specified by the equation

$$(D^2 + 3D + 2)y(t) = Dx(t) \quad (2.25)$$

This is a second-order system ($N = 2$) having the characteristic polynomial $(\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 2) = (\lambda + 1)(\lambda + 2)$

The characteristic roots of this system are $\lambda = -1$ and $\lambda = -2$. Therefore

$$y_h(t) = c_1 e^{-t} + c_2 e^{-2t} \quad (2.26a)$$

Differentiation of this equation yields

$$\dot{y}_h(t) = -c_1 e^{-t} - 2c_2 e^{-2t} \quad (2.26b)$$

The initial conditions are [see Eq. (2.24b)] for $N = 2$

$$y_h(0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{y}_h(0) = 0$$

Setting $t = 0$ in Eqs. (2.26a) and (2.26b), and substituting the initial conditions just given, we obtain

$$0 = c_1 + c_2$$

$$1 = -c_1 - 2c_2$$

Solution of these two simultaneous equations yields

$$c_1 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad c_2 = -1$$

Therefore

$$y_h(t) = e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$$

Moreover, according to Eq. (2.25), $P(D) = D$, so that

$$P(D)y_h(t) = Dy_h(t) = \dot{y}_h(t) = -e^{-t} + 2e^{-2t}$$

Also in this case, $b_0 = 0$ [the second-order term is absent in $P(D)$]. Therefore

$$h(t) = [P(D)y_h(t)]u(t) = (-e^{-t} + 2e^{-2t})u(t)$$

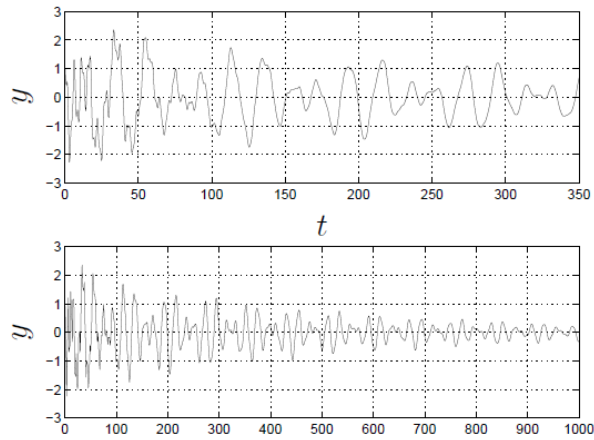


Where are we going with this?

This can help simplify matters...

An Example

Consider the following system:



- How to model and predict (and control the output)?

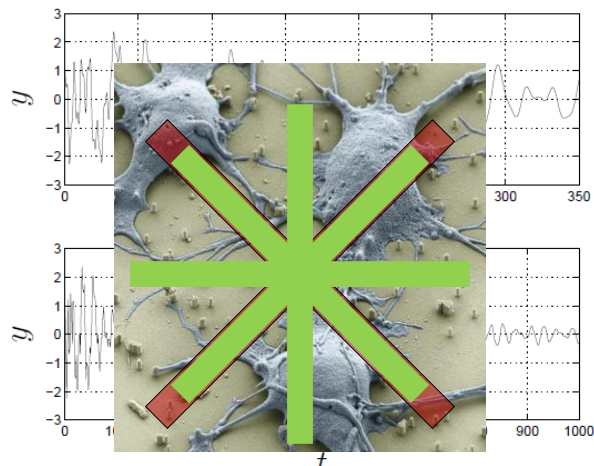
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Consider the following system:



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An Example

- Consider the following system:

$$\dot{x} = Ax, \quad y = Cx$$

- $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^8, y(t) \in \mathbb{R}^1 \rightarrow$ 8-state, single-output system
- Autonomous: No input yet! ($u(t) = 0$)

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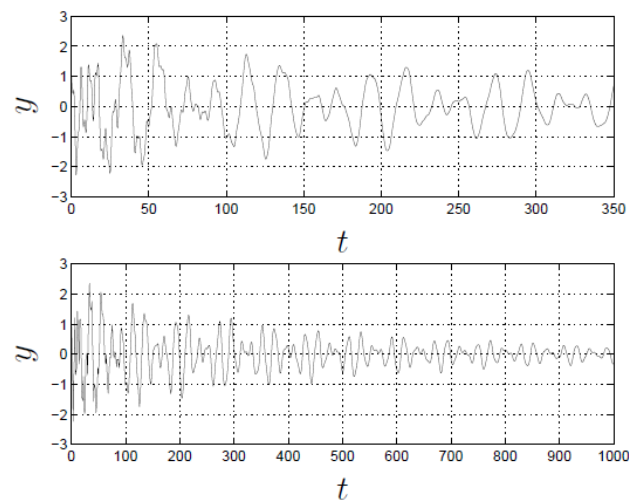
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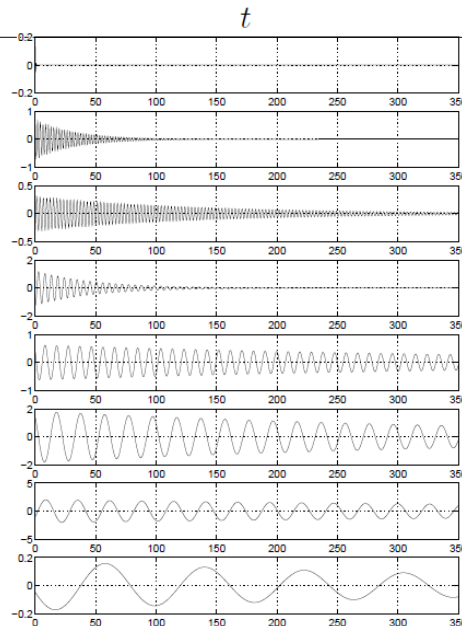
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Example: Let's consider the control...

Expand the system to have a control input...

- $B \in \mathbb{R}^{8 \times 2}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 8}$ (note: the 2nd dimension of C)

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad y = Cx, \quad x(0) = 0$$

- Problem: Find u such that $y_{des}(t) = (1, -2)$
- A simple (and rational) approach:
 - solve the above equation!
 - Assume: static conditions (u , x , y constant)

$$\dot{x} = 0 = Ax + Bu_{static}, \quad y = y_{des} = Cx$$

→ Solve for u :

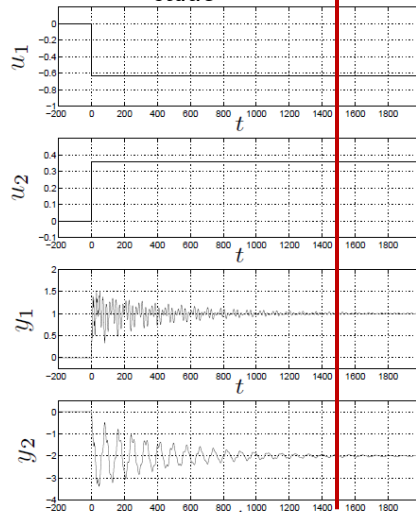
$$u_{static} = (-CA^{-1}B)^{-1} y_{des} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.63 \\ 0.36 \end{bmatrix}$$



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Example: Apply $u = u_{static}$ and presto!



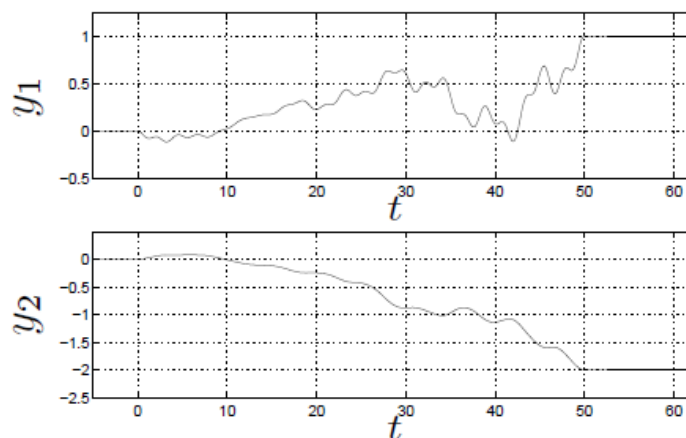
- Note: It takes 1500 seconds for the $y(t)$ to converge ... but that's natural ... can we do better?

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Example: Yes we can!

- How about:

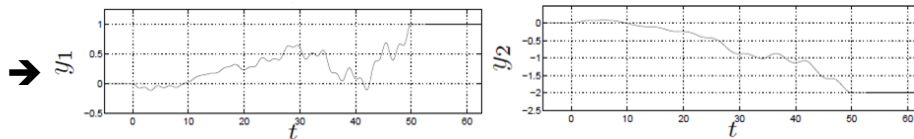
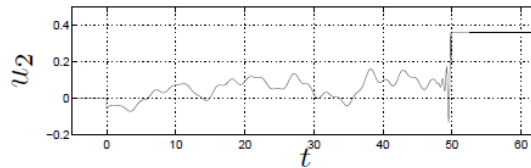
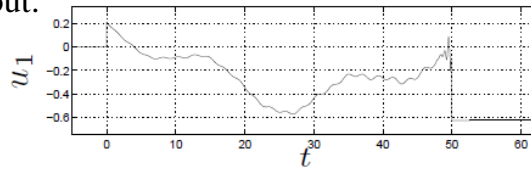


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Example: **How?** How about a more clever input?

- How about:



- Converges in 50 seconds (3.3% of the time ☺)

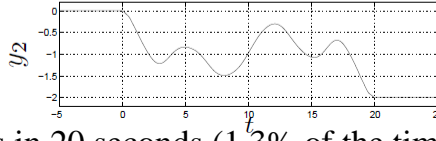
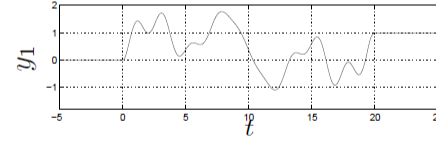
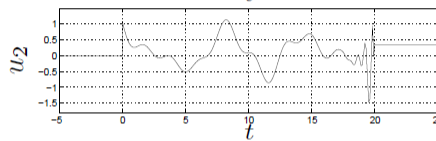
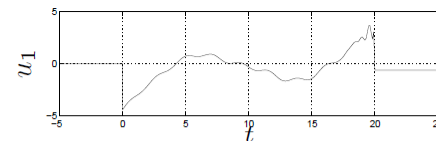
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Example: Can we beat it? Larger inputs & LDS



- Converges in 20 seconds (1.3% of the time ☺)

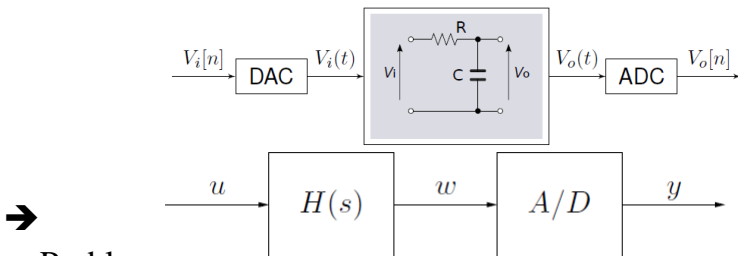
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What about the DIGITAL case?



- Problem:
Estimate signal u , given quantized, filtered signal y
- Some solutions:
 - ignore quantization
 - design equalizer $G(s)$ for $H(s)$ (i.e., $GH \cong 1$)
 - approximate u as $G(s)y$
- ➔ Pose as an estimation problem

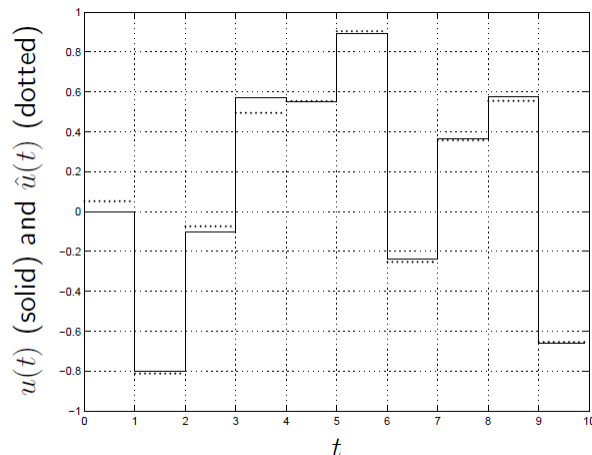
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What about the DIGITAL case?



- RMS error 0.03, well below quantization error (!)

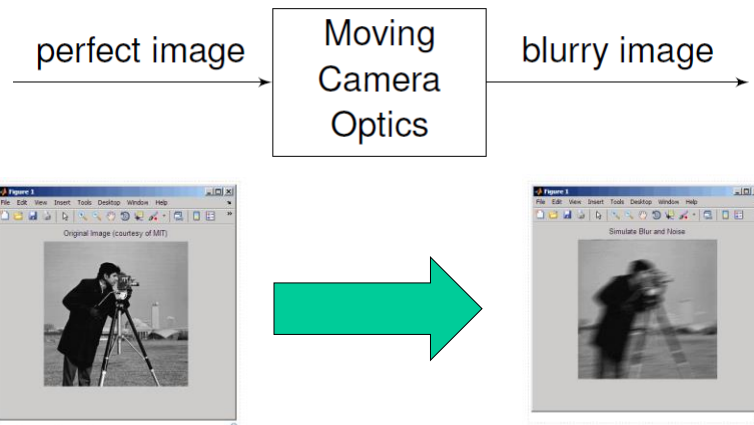
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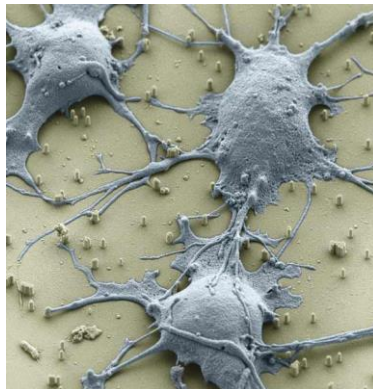
Ex: Deblurring



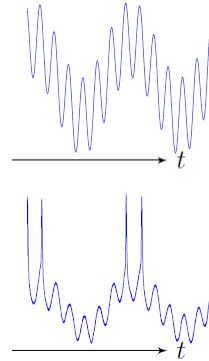
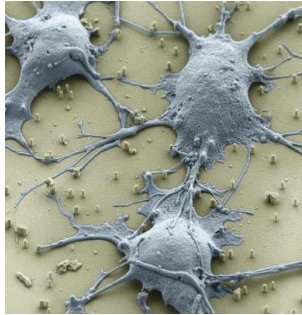
- Matlab: **deconvwnr**



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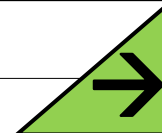


- For small current inputs, neuron membrane potential output response is surprisingly **linear**.
- Though this has limits ...
neurons “spike” are (quite) nonlinear (truly)

Source: [ELEC6.003](#) (s.3-49)



Next Time...



- Register on Platypus
- Try the practise assignment
- We will talk about Data Acquisition / Sampling

