
RECURSIVE COMPUTATION OF IMPULSE RESPONSE

Goal: Compute impulse response $h[n]$ of system $y[n] - \frac{1}{2}y[n-1] = 3x[n]$.

Sol'n: Compute recursively $h[n] - \frac{1}{2}h[n-1] = 3\delta[n] = 0$ if $n > 0$.

$$\mathbf{n=0:} \quad h[0] - \frac{1}{2}h[-1] = 3\delta[0] \rightarrow h[0] - \frac{1}{2}(0) = 3(1) \rightarrow h[0] = 3.$$

$$\mathbf{n=1:} \quad h[1] - \frac{1}{2}h[0] = 3\delta[1] \rightarrow h[1] - \frac{1}{2}(3) = 3(0) \rightarrow h[1] = \frac{3}{2}.$$

$$\mathbf{n=2:} \quad h[2] - \frac{1}{2}h[1] = 3\delta[2] \rightarrow h[2] - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 3(0) \rightarrow h[2] = \frac{3}{4}.$$

$$\mathbf{n=3:} \quad h[3] - \frac{1}{2}h[2] = 3\delta[3] \rightarrow h[3] - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = 3(0) \rightarrow h[3] = \frac{3}{8}.$$

$$h[n] = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] = 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \text{ for } n \geq 0. \text{ Geometric signal.}$$

BIBO (BOUNDED INPUT \rightarrow BOUNDED OUTPUT) STABILITY

Goal: Determine whether an LTI system is BIBO stable from its $h[n]$.

EX #1: $h[n] = \{2, 3, -4\} \rightarrow \sum |h[n]| = |2| + |3| + |-4| = 9 < \infty \rightarrow$ $\begin{matrix} \text{BIBO} \\ \text{stable} \end{matrix}$.

EX #2: $h[n] = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] \rightarrow \sum |h[n]| = \sum \left|-\frac{1}{2}\right|^n = \frac{1}{1-0.5} < \infty \rightarrow$ $\begin{matrix} \text{BIBO} \\ \text{stable} \end{matrix}$.

EX #3: $h[n] = \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} u[n] \rightarrow \sum |h[n]| = \sum \frac{1}{n+1} u[n] \rightarrow \infty \rightarrow$ NOT BIBO stable.

Note: $\sum \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} u[n] = \log 2$ but $\sum \left|\frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} u[n]\right| = \sum \frac{1}{n+1} u[n] \rightarrow \infty$

so *absolute* summability vs. summability matters for BIBO stability!

CONVOLUTION OF TWO FINITE SIGNALS

Goal: Compute $\{1, 2, 3\} * \{4, 5, 6, 7\} = \{4, 13, 28, 34, 32, 21\}$.

$$y[0] = h[0]x[0] = (1)(4) = 04.$$

$$y[1] = h[1]x[0] + h[0]x[1] = (2)(4) + (1)(5) = 13.$$

$$y[2] = h[2]x[0] + h[1]x[1] + h[0]x[2] = (3)(4) + (2)(5) + (1)(6) = 28.$$

$$y[3] = h[2]x[1] + h[1]x[2] + h[0]x[3] = (3)(5) + (2)(6) + (1)(7) = 34.$$

$$y[4] = h[2]x[2] + h[1]x[3] = (3)(6) + (2)(7) = 32.$$

$$y[5] = h[2]x[3] = (3)(7) = 21.$$

Note: Length $y[n]$ = Length $h[n]$ + Length $x[n]$ - 1 = 3 + 4 - 1 = 6.

CONVOLUTION OF FINITE AND INFINITE SIGNALS

Goal: Compute $\{2, -1, 3\} * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] = 2\delta[n] + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} u[n-2]$.

Sol'n: $\{2, -1, 3\} * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] = (2\delta[n] - 1\delta[n-1] + 3\delta[n-2]) * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] =$
 $2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] - 1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} u[n-1] + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} u[n-2] = 2\delta[n] + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} u[n-2].$

Note: $\{2, -1\} * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] = 2\delta[n]$. So $x[n] \rightarrow \overline{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]} \rightarrow \overline{\{2, -1\}} \rightarrow 2x[n]$.
