

# Announcements

- 1) New webwork up,  
due next Friday,  
supplement appearing  
later today
- 2) Extra credit opportunities -  
one due next Friday, the  
other next Monday

# Looking at Signals

( Section 4.8 )

Audio, Video, anything  
that is transmitted.

An audio signal in its purest  
form is **continuous**.

We will be interested in  
what happens when the signal  
is broken up into pieces  
**(discrete)**

Application: Discrete Time  
Signals (Audio)  
(Signal processing)

Let  $S$  = the vector space  
of doubly infinite  
sequences of real numbers

$$(\dots x_{-1}, x_0, x_1, x_2 \dots)$$

Addition + scalar multiplication  
are coordinate-wise

# Example 1:

$$f(x) = \sin(x),$$

$x$  a real number

Can make a discrete signal by

letting

$$x_k = \begin{cases} 0, & k=0 \\ \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{k}\right), & k \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\dots, -1, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 1, \dots$$

$\dots, x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots$

Convention! (Starting point)

If there is a definite

Starting point for your  
signal, call this  $x_0$

and suppress any negative  
indices:

$(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)$

# CD vs. MP3

Fight!

CD : 44,100 samples/s (Hz)

MP3 : 8,000 - 48,000 Hz

Human perceptibility : 20 - 20,000 Hz

Problem: How do you separate signals?

Linear independence!

Casorati Matrix: To simplify, just take 3 signals.

Let  $(x_k)$ ,  $(y_k)$ , and  $(z_k)$  be signals. We want to know when these are linearly independent in the space of signals.

This means if there  
are numbers  $c_1, c_2, c_3$

with

$$c_1(x_k) + c_2(y_k) + c_3(z_k) = 0$$



sequence  
with zeroes  
in every entry

$$\text{then } c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0.$$

We can reduce to

$$c_1 x_k + c_2 y_k + c_3 z_k = 0$$

for all  $k$ .



Interpret this using  
matrices: Take  
a  $3 \times 3$  matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_k & y_k & z_k \\ x_{k+1} & y_{k+1} & z_{k+1} \\ x_{k+2} & y_{k+2} & z_{k+2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Casorati Matrix  $C_k$

If there is a value of  
 $k$  for which  $C_k$  is invertible,  
then  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ .

Example 2:

$$x_k = (-1)^k$$

$$y_k = 2^k$$

$$z_k = 3^k$$

Are these signals linearly independent?

Construct Casorati Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} (-1)^k & 2^k & 3^k \\ (-1)^{k+1} & 2^{k+1} & 3^{k+1} \\ (-1)^{k+2} & 2^{k+2} & 3^{k+2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let's plug in some values of  $k$  and check whether we get invertibility.

$$k=0$$

$$C_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det(C_0) = 12 \neq 0,$$

So  $C_0$  is invertible. This gives us  $(x_k), (y_k), (z_k)$  are linearly independent.

Q:

How to make this  
efficient?

A:

Under certain conditions...  
given later!

# Linear Difference Equations

Given real numbers

$a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n$  and

signals  $(y_k)$  and  $(z_k)$ ,

a linear difference equation

is an equation of the form

$$a_0 y_{k+n} + a_1 y_{k+n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} y_{k+1} + a_n y_k = z_k$$

for all  $k$ .

$z_k = 0$  for all  $k$ : homogeneous

$z_k \neq 0$  for some  $k$ : not homogeneous

Subspaces The set of all solutions  $(y_k)$  to a given homogeneous linear difference equation is a subspace of the space of signals.

From the book:

If three sequences satisfy the same homogeneous linear difference equation, then either the Casorati matrix is invertible for all  $k$  or is not invertible for any  $k$ . First case is linear independence, second is linear dependence.

Problem! Given a linear difference equation, can you find a solution?

Homogeneous at least the zero vector  $(0)$  is a solution since the set of solutions is a subspace.



Result: If  $a_n \neq 0$ , then

$$\sum_{j=0}^n a_{n-j} y_{k+j} = z_k$$

has a unique solution

if  $\{y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1}\}$

are given.

Note: In the homogeneous case, we get: if  $a_n \neq 0$ , then the set of solutions to

$$\sum_{j=0}^n a_{n-j} y_{k+j} = 0$$

is  $n$  dimensional.

Example 3:

$$X_k = (-1)^k$$

$$W_k = 2^k$$

$$Z_k = 3^k$$

$$y_{k+3} - 4y_{k+2} + y_{k+1} + 6y_k = 0$$

Check that  $(X_k)$ ,  $(W_k)$ , and  $(Z_k)$  satisfy the equation. Do

they form a basis for the set of solutions?

Our coefficients  
are  $(1, -4, 1, 6)$ ,

which gives that the  
subspace of solutions is

$4 - 1 = 3$  dimensional.

We already know  $(x_k)$ ,  
 $(w_k)$  and  $(z_k)$  are linearly  
independent. Therefore, they  
are a basis!

Now let's check that  
the sequences satisfy  
the equation

$$y_{k+3} - 4y_{k+2} + y_{k+1} + 6y_k = 0$$

$$\text{If } y_k = 2^k,$$

$$2^{k+3} - 4 \cdot 2^{k+2} + 2^{k+1} + 6 \cdot 2^k$$

$$= 2^k (8 - 16 + 2 + 6)$$

$$= 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{If } y = 3^k,$$

$$3^{k+3} - 4 \cdot 3^{k+2} + 3^{k+1} + 6 \cdot 3^k$$

$$= 3^k (27 - 36 + 3 + 6)$$

$$= 0 \checkmark$$

$$\text{Finally, if } y = (-1)^k$$

$$(-1)^{k+3} - 4 \cdot (-1)^{k+2} + (-1)^{k+1} + 6 \cdot (-1)^k$$

$$= (-1)^k (-1 - 4 - 1 + 6) = 0 \checkmark$$