Signal Processing

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Definition of Signals and Systems

Signal:

A function of one or more independent variables which contain some information is called signal. <u>Examples of Signal</u>:

Electric voltage and current, such as radio signal, TV signal, telephone signal, computer signals, etc.
Pressure signal, sound signal, etc are non electric signals.

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Definition of Signals and Systems

System:

A system is a set of elements or functional block that is connected together and produces an output in response to an input signal.

Examples of System:

- An audio amplifier, attenuator, TV set, communications systems, etc are systems.
- Any machine or engine are also systems.



Classification of Signals

The signals can be classified into two parts depending upon independent variable (time).

≻Continuous Time (CT) Signals.

➢ Discrete Time (DT) Signals.

➢ Both the CT and DT signals can be classified into following parts:

➤ periodic and non periodic signals.

► Even and odd signals.

Energy and power signals.

Deterministic and random signals.

CT and DT signals

Definition: A CT signal is defined continuously with respect to time. A DT signal is defined only at specific or regular time instants.





For many cases, x[n] is obtained by sampling x(t) as:

x[n] = x(nT), $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...$

Analog and digital signals:

When amplitude of CT signals varies continuously, it is called analog signal. In other words amplitude and time both are continuous for analog signal.

When amplitude of DT signal takes only finite values, it is called digital signal. In other words amplitude and time are discrete for digital signal.





Figure

Examples of continuous-time and discrete-time signals.





Periodic and Non- Periodic Signals

Definition: A signal is said to be periodic if it repeats at regular intervals. Non – periodic signal do not repeats at regular intervals.



Fig (3): Example of periodic & non- periodic signals

Condition for periodicity of signal

$$x(t) = x(t + T_0)$$
$$x(n) = x(n + N)$$

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Condition for periodicity of signal

- **CT signal:** if x(t) = x(t + T), then x(t) is periodic.
- Smallest T=Fundamental period
- Fundamental frequency fo = 1/To (Hz or cycles/second)
- ♦ Angular frequency: $\omega o = 2\pi$ /To (rad/seconds)
- **DT signal:** if x[n] = x[n + N], then x[n] is periodic.
- min(No): fundamental period

♦
$$_{\Omega}$$
 =2 $_{\pi}$ /N (rads/sample).

Even and Odd Signals

Definition of even signal: A signal is said to be even signal if inversion of time axis does not change the amplitude.

Definition of odd signal: A signal is said to be odd signal if inversion of time axis also inverts amplitude of the signal.

condition for signal to be even $\begin{cases} x(t) = x(-t) \\ x(n) = x(-n) \end{cases}$ condition for signal to be odd $\begin{cases} x(t) = -x(-t) \\ x(n) = -x(-n) \end{cases}$



Energy and power signals

Instantaneous power dissipation



Fig (5)

For circuit of figure (5) , the Instantaneous power dissipated in load resistance "R" Will be given as,

$$p(t) = \frac{v^2(t)}{R} = i^2(t)R$$

Normalized power : it is power dissipated in load. Hence from Normalized power,

 $p(t) = v^2(t) = i^2(t)$

Let v(t) = i(t) be denoted by x(t).

Since power is the rate of energy, the total energy expended over the time interval $t_1 \le t \le t_2$ is :

$$E = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} p(t)dt = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} x(t)^2 dt$$

and the average power over this interval is:

$$P_{avg} = \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} p(t) dt = \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} x(t)^2 dt$$

if
$$t_1 = -T$$
 and $t_2 = T$ then

$$E = \int_{-T}^{T} x(t)^{2} dt \text{ and } P = \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^{T} x(t)^{2} dt$$

Energy, $E = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt$ for CT signal And, $E = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=\infty} |x(n)|^2$ for DT signal Power, $P = \lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} |x(t)|^2 dt$ for CT signal And $P = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{-N}^{N} |x(n)|^2$ for DT signal

Energy signal: if $0 < E < \infty$ Power signal: if $0 < P < \infty$

Deterministic and random signals

Definition of deterministic signal : a deterministic signal can be completely represented by mathematical equation at any time.

Example:

Triangular wave, square pulse etc

Definition of random signal : a signal cannot be represented by mathematical equation is called random signal. **Example:** noise generated in electronic components , transmission channels, etc.

