

Basic concepts in signal processing

Audio, images, and video are 1D, 2D, and 3D signal. Some basic knowledge of signal process will help us to understand multimedia processing

Continuous signal

1-dimensional signal can be represented as a function (voltage, intensity, pressure, etc)

$$f(t)$$

Domain of the function: time. The general case $t \in [-\infty, \infty]$

The impulse (delta, Dirac) function $\delta(t)$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \begin{cases} 1/\varepsilon & x \in [-\varepsilon/2, \varepsilon/2] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) dt = 1$$

Discrete signal

Sampled version of the continuous function, denoted as

$$f(n)$$

Where $n \in \mathbf{Z}$

Convolution

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

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

Example (Chalkboard)

Properties of convolution

Commutative

$$x(t) \otimes h(t) = h(t) \otimes x(t)$$

Associative

$$(x(t) \otimes y(t)) \otimes z(t) = x(t) \otimes (y(t) \otimes z(t))$$

Distributive

$$x(t) \otimes (y(t) + z(t)) = x(t) \otimes y(t) + x(t) \otimes z(t)$$

Impulse function

$$x(t) \otimes \delta(t) = x(t)$$

Fourier transform of a continuous signal

Decompose a continuous signal into signals of various frequencies

$$F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

Interpretation:

$$e^{-j\omega t} = \cos(\omega t) - j \sin(\omega t)$$

$F(\omega)$ represents the amount of the signal in angular or radial frequency $\omega = 2\pi f$

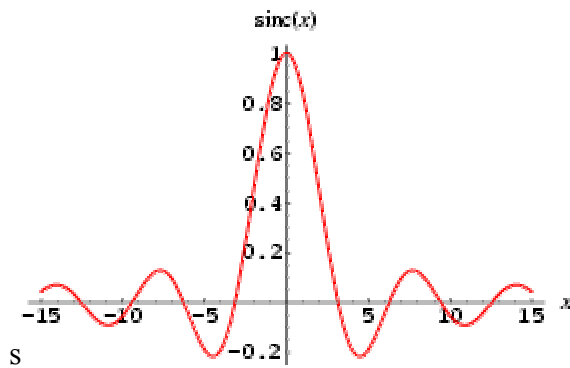
Inverse Fourier transform

$$F(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

The FFTs of some typical functions

Sinc function $f(x) = \sin x / x$

Rect(x) = {1 if $-1/2 < x < 1/2$ }



See table:

Properties of FFT

See attached table

Discrete Fourier Transform

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

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

Sampling Theory

Nyquist theorem

If $f(t)$ is bandlimited to $[-\omega_B, \omega_B]$, we can reconstruct it **perfectly** from its samples

$$f_s[n] = f(nT)$$

for $\omega_s = 2\pi / T > 2\omega_B$

Filtering

Filtering is convolution = Frequency multiplication

Perfect low pass filtering: multiplied by a box function in frequency domain is equivalent to convolution with a sinc function in the time domain.

Filter design:

- (1) Find the frequency response of the filter.
- (2) Inverse DFT transform the filter