

# **SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS LABORATORY 1:**

## Introduction to Matlab

### **INTRODUCTION**

In this lab, you will learn the basic and intermediate functions of MATLAB and apply them to the theory of Convolution and Fourier Transforms. MATLAB is a high-level language and interactive environment that enables you to perform computationally intensive tasks faster than with traditional programming languages. Our objectives in this lab are to

#### 1. Understand MATLAB

We will be using the tutorial provided by Mathworks. The following website will provide the tutorial material. [http://www.mathworks.com/academia/student\\_center/tutorials](http://www.mathworks.com/academia/student_center/tutorials)

- a. Creating Variable in Matlab
- b. Performing Calculation
- c. Visualizing Data
- d. Creating Scripts with Matlab

#### 2. Gain Experience with MATLAB tools

- a. Convolution
  - i. Write a convolution program
  - ii. Use CONV
- b. Low-pass filter
  - i. Voice signal
  - ii. ECG signal

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**Assignments will be collected in Lab #2. Work in group is allowed.**

### **Experiment #1:**      **Linear Convolution**

Given a pair of sequences, use discrete convolution to find the response to the input  $x[n]$  of the linear time-invariant system with impulse response  $h[n]$ .

$x[n]$ = square wave with amplitude 1

$y[n]$ = triangle wave with amplitude 2

- i. Use PLOT command to plot the input and impulse response
- ii. Compute the convolution by hand, use MATLAB to plot the results
- iii. Write a MATLAB function to compute the convolution of the two finite-length sequences and plot the results.  
For length  $N$  input vector  $x$ , the DFT is a length  $N$  vector  $X$ , with elements

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=1}^N x(n) \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2 \cdot \pi \cdot (k-1) \cdot (n-1) / N), \quad 1 \leq k \leq N.$$

- iv. Use CONV command to verify the results from b).

### **Experiment #2:**      **Low-pass Filters**

Part 1:

In this section of the tutorial, you will create a signal with added high frequency noise. Later in the tutorial, you will use a low-pass filter to eliminate high frequency noise.

1. Type  
    load mtlb
2. You can hear a voice say "MATLAB." This is the signal to which you will add noise  
    soundsc(mtlb,Fs)
3. Create a noise signal

```
noise = cos(2*pi*3*Fs/8*(0:length(mtlb)-1)/Fs);  
(You can hear the noise signal by typing soundsc(noise,Fs))  
(You can also use random function to introduce noise)
```

4. Add the noise to the original signal  

```
u = mtlb + noise;
```
5. Scale the signal with noise  

```
u = u/max(abs(u));
```

(You scale the signal to try to avoid overflows later on. You can hear the scaled signal with noise by typing `soundsc(u,Fs)`)
6. Display the frequency spectrum using FFT (experiment 2)
7. View the scaled signal with noise  

```
specgram(u,256,Fs);colorbar
```

(In the spectrogram, you can see the noise signal as a horizontal line at about 2800 Hz, which is equal to  $3*Fs/8$ )
8. Use low-pass filters to eliminate high frequency  

```
b = ones(1,10)/10;      % 10 point averaging filter  
fy = filtfilt(b,1,x);   % Noncausal filtering  
fyy = filter(b,1,x);    % Normal filtering
```
9. Use FFT to plot the power spectrum of the filter signal and compare it to both, the original and the corrupted signals.

## Part 2: Real World Practical Application

In this section of the tutorial, you will be provided an ECG (Electrocardiogram) signal with noise. Your task is to create a matlab program to determine the frequency of the noise and eliminate the noise signal.