



Digital Signal Processing

Lab 1: Signal generation & analysis in Matlab

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Signal generation & analysis in Matlab

- In this session, we'll use these **built-in Matlab functions**:
 - basis arithmetic: `+`, `-`, `*`, `/`, `sin`, `cos`, `abs`, ...
 - random signal generation: `rand`, `randn`, ...
 - frequency analysis: `fft`, `ifft`
(FFT implementation of discrete Fourier transform)
 - time-frequency analysis: `spectrogram`
(FFT implementation of short-time Fourier transform)
 - audio I/O: `audioread`, `audiowrite`, `soundsc`, ...
 - visualization: `figure`, `plot`, ...
- Remember: **Matlab Help** is your best friend
 - `>> help`
 - `>> doc`

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- **Exercise 1.1: Generation & analysis of sinusoids**
 - Generate a signal of length 10 s sampled at 16 kHz, containing a sum of sines of 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000, 4000 and 6000 Hz. Plot the signal as a function of time.
 - Compute and plot the frequency magnitude spectrum. Think about what you observe.
 - Compute and plot the spectrogram. How to interpret this? Play around with the spectrogram parameters (window size, FFT size, ...) and see how the figure changes.
 - Play back the signal through your PC loudspeaker. Make sure clipping is avoided!

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- **Exercise 1.2: Generation & analysis of sinusoids**
 - Multiply the signal from Exercise 1.1 with a gain factor that linearly decreases from value 1 at time = 0 s to value 0 at time = 10 s.
 - Plot again the time-domain signal, the frequency magnitude spectrum, and the spectrogram, and listen to the audio playback of the signal.
 - What do these results tell you about the frequency spectrum of a non-stationary signal?

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- **Exercise 1.3: Generation & analysis of random noise**
 - Generate a Gaussian white (pseudo-)random noise signal of length 10 s sampled at 16 kHz. Plot the signal as a function of time and listen to the audio playback of the signal.
 - Compute and plot the frequency magnitude spectrum as well as the spectrogram and interpret the results.
 - Square the frequency magnitude spectrum values and transform the result back to the time domain. Plot the resulting time-domain signal. What does this represent? Why does it look like this?



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- **Exercise 1.4: Recording & analysis of speech**
 - Record about 10 s of your own voice using your favorite audio recording/editing software.
 - Save the recording in a WAV file using a sampling frequency of 16 kHz and 16-bit quantization.
 - Open the recorded WAV file in Matlab. Plot the signal as a function of time and listen to the audio playback of the signal.
 - Compute and plot the frequency magnitude spectrum as well as the spectrogram and interpret the results.
 - Repeat the last 3 steps using an 8 kHz sampling frequency. What do you observe?