

Signals and its properties

Signals and codes (SK)

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Exercise 1



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 - instantaneous value
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 - signal energy
 - signal power
 - effective value

Exercises

Exercise 01_0: Plotting function, put MATLAB into operation

Consider continuous time signal $x(t) = 3t$

- Use MATLAB to plot the signal within time interval $< 0, 2 >$ ms *well enough*. Label your plot carefully, make a title, axes labels, grid.
- Use `LineSpec` `'-o'` for the plot to see which samples are shown in the plot.

```
% defining parameters  
  
slope=3;  
  
fs=1e3; % sample frequency of the plot  
tmin=0; %time limits  
tmax=2e-3;
```

```
Help for a):  
title('Linear signal'); % plot title string  
xlabel('t (s)'); % x axis label string  
grid on; % shows grid in actual plot
```

```
Help for b) :  
for help type LineSpec into Command Window and press F1 with a cursor within  
the word LineSpec
```

Exercises

Exercise 01_0: Solution

```
% plot linear function

%% initialize

clear; % clears all variables in workspace
close all; % close all figures

%% defining parameters

slope=3;

fs=1e3; % sample frequency of the plot
tmin=0; %time limits
tmax=2e-3;

%% computation

Ts=1/fs;

t=tmin:1/(1*fs):tmax; %defining vector of time
x=slope*t; % defining signal
plot(t,x); % for subtask a)
%plot(t,x,'-o'); % for subtask b)
grid on
xlabel('time (sec)');
ylabel('x (t)');

title(sprintf('Linear function x = %.2f * t, sample rate fs = %.3E Hz',slope,fs)); %sprintf prints to the string
```

Attention!

Please, always save all the scripts created to make them available for editing in the future.

There is no time for writing each script for each exercise as a new one from the very beginning.

Exercises

Exercise 01_1: Plotting function, instantaneous value

Consider continuous time signal $x(t) = e^{-50t} \cdot \cos 2\pi 1000t$

- a) Use MATLAB to plot the signal within time interval $< 0, 30 >$ ms *well enough*. Label your plot carefully, make a title, axes labels, grid.
- b) Find instantaneous value $x(t_i)$ for time instant $t_i = 20$ ms. Discuss the result value in terms of time constant of exponential function and frequency of cosine function.
- c) Is the signal periodic? If so, what is the period?

```
%% defining parameters

% sinus
a=1; % amplitude
f0=1000; % frequency
p=0; % initial phase
% exponential
tau=1/50;

fs=???; % sample frequency
tmin=0; %tlimits
tmax=0.03;
```

Help:

use `exp(x)` for Euler number powered to `x`
use `x.*y` for multiplying each element of `x` by each element of `y` (note: `x` and `y` must have the same dimensions)

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Exercise 01_2: Plotting functions, stem plot

Consider continuous time cosine signal of amplitude $230 \cdot \sqrt{2}$, frequency 50 Hz and initial phase $\pi/6$.

- Use MATLAB to plot 5 periods of the given signal *well enough*. Label your plot carefully, make a title, axes labels, grid.
- Show a stem plot in the same figure with parameterized sample frequency denoted as `fs_stem`. Substitute values 600, 310, 300, 290, 200, 110, 100, 90, 60, 50, 40, 10 Hz consequently for `fs_stem` and observe the results. Try to make conclusion about the sample frequency.
- Determine average value, signal energy, signal power and effective value of the original continuous time cosine signal. Use MATLAB for the computation, where it is suitable.

```
%% defining parameters
```

```
a=230*sqrt(2); % amplitude
```

```
f0=50; % frequency
```

```
p=pi/6; % initial phase
```

```
fs=5000; % sample frequency of dense plot (fs >> f0)
```

```
fs_stem=600; %sample frequency for stem plot
```

```
noT=5; %periods to be plotted
```

Help:

use `x.^2` for squaring each element of `x`

use `hold on`; for more plots in one figure

use `length(x)` for counting items in vector `x`

use `fprintf('Signal power is %.4E\n', P);`

for writing line separated text (`\n`) to the command window and controlling format of written variable `P` (formatSpec i.e. `%.4E` or `%.2f`)

Exercises

Exercise 01_3: Plotting functions, complex exponentials

Consider discrete time complex signal $x[n] = 3e^{j2\pi \cdot 10 \cdot n \cdot T_s}$ with sample frequency $f_s = 40$ Hz. Imaginary unit $\sqrt{-1}$ is denoted as j .

- Use MATLAB to plot five periods in two subplots. The first subplot should show the given signal in a complex plane. The second one should show the real part of $x[n]$, i.e. $\text{Re}\{x[n]\}$ depending on discrete time $n \cdot T_s$. Use `LineSpec` `'-o'` for both figures.
- Repeat the same with sample frequency $f_s = 39$ Hz;
- Repeat the same with sample frequency $f_s = 400$ Hz;
- Repeat the same with sample frequency $f_s = 390$ Hz;
- Determine average value, signal energy, signal power and effective value of the signal $x[n]$. Compute for sample frequencies 40, 39 and 400 Hz. Then compare the results with computing these values for signal $x[n] = 3\sqrt{2}\cos(2\pi \cdot 10 \cdot n \cdot T_s)$

Help:

- 1) use symbol `1i` for imaginary unit in MATLAB or simply `j=sqrt(-1)`;
- 2) use `exp(x)` for Euler number powered to `x`
- 3) note that `n*Ts` is the time `t` (you don't need to declare other variable `n`)
- 4) `plot(x)`; %plots imaginary part of `x` as a function of real part of `x`
- 5) `real(x)` evaluates real part of `x`
- 6) Use/edit the following syntax
`figure('Position', [100, 100, 1300, 500]);` %defining position of corners of the figure
`subplot(1,2,1)`
`plot(x, '-o');`
`...`
`subplot(1,2,2)`
`plot(t, real(x), '-o');`

```
%% defining parameters
```

```
a=3; % amplitude
```

```
f0=10; % frequency
```

```
p=0; % initial phase
```

```
fs=40; % sample frequency of plots
```

```
noT=5; %periods to be plotted
```