

EECE233 Signals and Systems

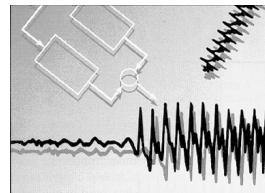
Lecture Note #1

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- 1) Administrative details
- 2) Signals

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Signals and Systems

EECE233 is about using mathematical techniques to help analyze and synthesize systems which process signals.

- Signals are variables that carry information.
- Systems process input signals to produce output signals.

Today: Signals, next lecture: Systems.

Examples of signals

- Electrical signals --- voltages and currents in a circuit
- Acoustic signals --- audio or speech signals (analog or digital)
- Video signals --- intensity variations in an image (e.g. a CAT scan)
- Biological signals --- sequence of bases in a gene
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- In EECE233, we will treat **noise** as unwanted signals

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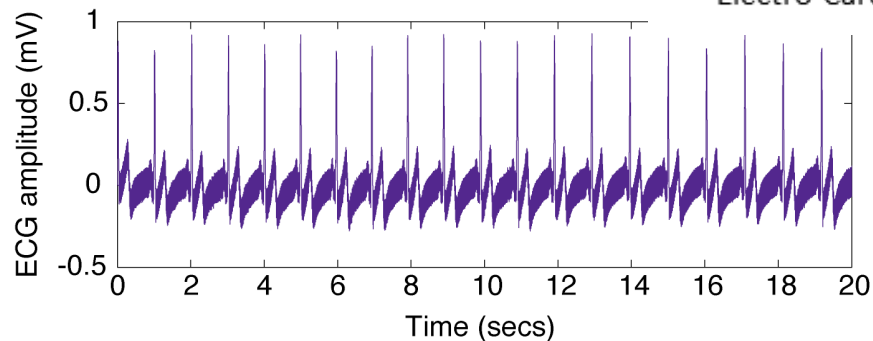
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Signal Classification

Type of Independent Variable

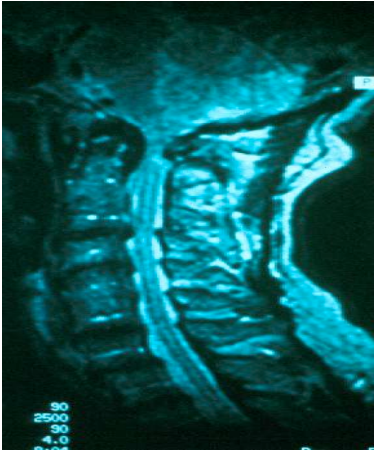
Time is often the independent variable. Example: the electrical activity of the heart recorded with chest electrodes — the electrocardiogram (ECG or EKG).

• Electro Cardio Gram 심전도



The variables can also be spatial

Eg. Cervical MRI



In this example, the signal is the intensity as a function of the spatial variables x and y .

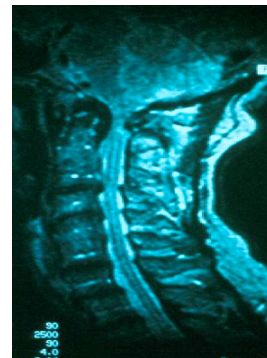
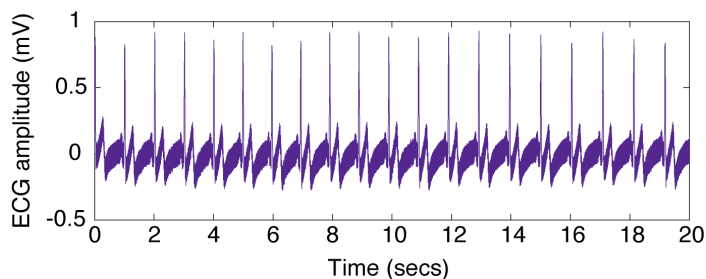
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- The left signal can be modeled as, e.g.,
 $x: \{1,2,\dots,800\} \times \{1,2,\dots,600\} \rightarrow [0,1]$

Since the domain is 2-D, this signal is a 2-D signal.

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Independent Variable Dimensionality

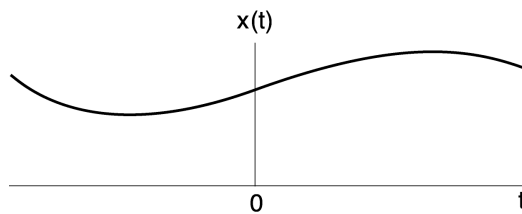
An independent variable can be 1-D (t in the EKG) or 2-D (x, y in an image).



In EECE233, focus on 1-D for mathematical simplicity but the results can be extended to 2-D or even higher dimensions. Also, we will use a generic time t for the independent variable, whether it is time or space.

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Continuous-time (CT) Signals

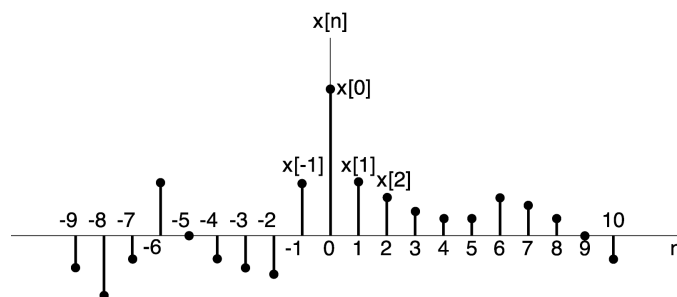


- Most of the signals in the physical world are well modeled by CT signals, where the time scale is infinitesimally fine, so are the spatial scales. E.g. voltage & current, pressure, temperature, velocity, etc.

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Discrete-time (DT) Signals

- $x[n]$, n — integer, time varies discretely



- Examples of DT signals in nature:
 - DNA base sequence
 - Population of the n th generation of certain species

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- Notation in EECE233: $x(t)$ — CT, $x[n]$ — DT

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Many human-made Signals are DT

Ex.#1 Weekly Dow-Jones
industrial average



Ex.#2 digital image



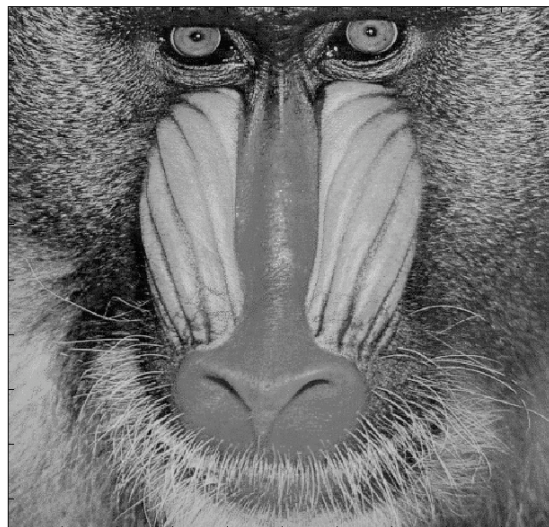
Ex#3. ticking clock
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Why **DT**? — Can be processed by modern digital computers
and digital signal processors (DSPs).

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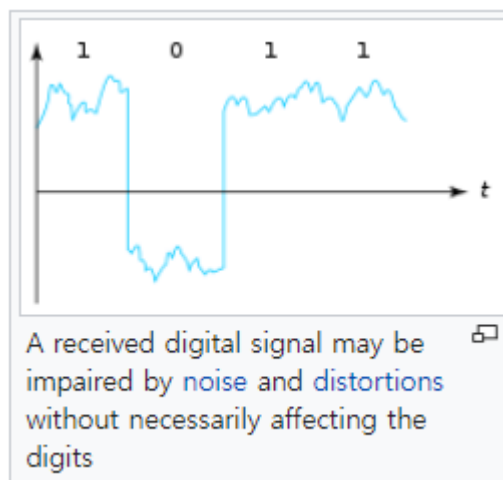
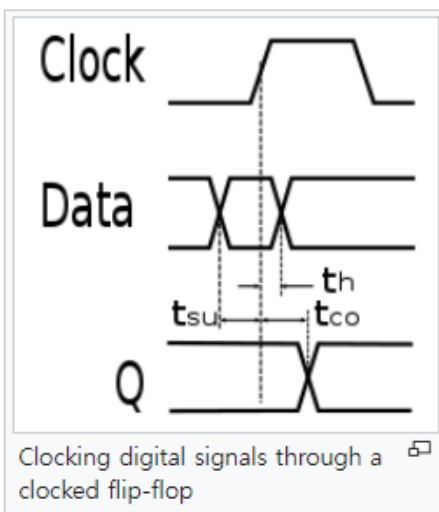
Mandrill Example

Unblurred Image & No Noise



- a scalar: a 0-D signal because $x: \{1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- a vector: a 1-D signal because $x: \{1, \dots, 300\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- a matrix: a 2-D signal because $x: \{1, \dots, M\} \times \{1, \dots, N\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- a 60 FPS BW video of 600x300 pixels
 - ◆ a (2-D matrix-valued) 1-D signal $X[n]$ because $x: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow$ a set of 1-bit 600x300 BW images
 - ◆ a (scalar-valued) 3-D signal $X_n[k, l]$ because $x: \mathbb{Z} \times \{1, \dots, 300\} \times \{1, \dots, 600\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

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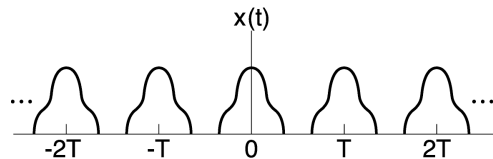
Signals with symmetry

- Periodic signals

CT

$$x(t) = x(t + T) \text{ for all } t.$$

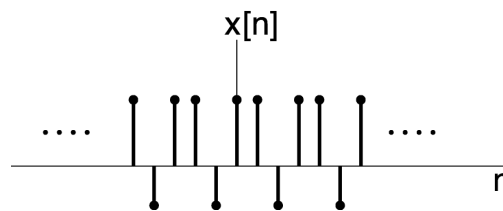
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- Ex.** 60-Hz power line, computer clock, etc.

DT

$$x[n] = x[n + N] \text{ for all } n.$$



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Def. A CT signal $x(t)$ is periodic, if there exists $T > 0$ s. t. $x(t) = x(t+T)$, for all t .

Lemma. If periodic, then there exists $T > 0$ s.t. $x(t) = x(t+nT)$, for all t and all integer n .

Def. For a periodic signal, the smallest period is called the fundamental period, if exists.

Lemma. For a periodic signal with fundamental period T_0 , any period is an integer multiple of T_0 .

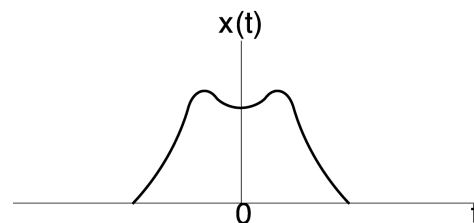
Signals with symmetry (continued)

- Even and odd signals

Even

$$x(t) = x(-t) \quad \text{or} \quad x[n] = x[-n]$$

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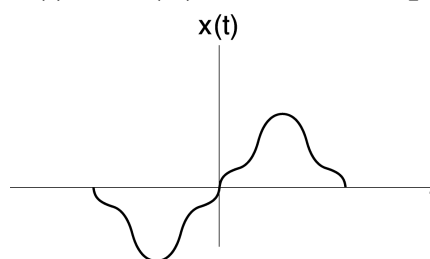


Odd

$$x(t) = -x(-t) \quad \text{or} \quad x[n] = -x[-n]$$

$$x(0) = 0$$

or $x[0] = 0$



The zero function is even and odd at the same time.

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Signals with symmetry (continued)

Lemma. Any signals can be expressed as a sum of *Even* and *Odd* signals. That is:

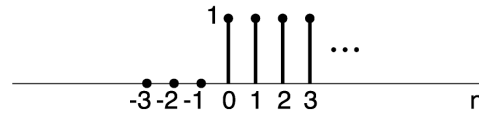
$$x(t) = x_{\text{even}}(t) + x_{\text{odd}}(t),$$

where

$$x_{\text{even}}(t) = [x(t) + x(-t)]/2,$$

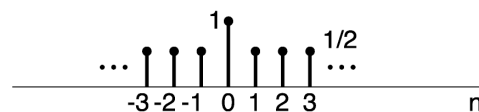
$$x_{\text{odd}}(t) = [x(t) - x(-t)]/2.$$

$$x[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n \geq 0 \\ 0, & n < 0 \end{cases}$$



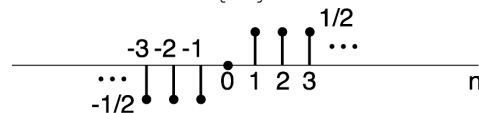
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$\mathcal{E}\{x[n]\}$



+

$\mathcal{O}\{x[n]\}$



Ex. DT unit-step function.

$u[n]$ 은 the unit step function이라 불리며
argument n 이 음수이면 $u[n]=0$,
나머지 모든 경우는 $u[n]=1$ 이다.

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When A is square.

$$A = \frac{A + A^T}{2} + \frac{A - A^T}{2}$$

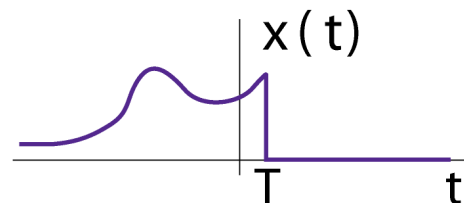
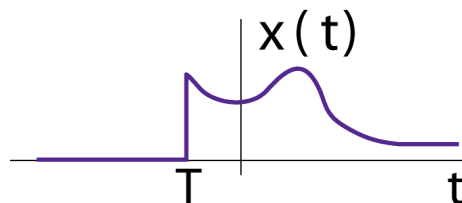
$$A = \frac{A + A^H}{2} + \frac{A - A^H}{2}$$

$$x(t) = \underbrace{\frac{x(t) + x^*(-t)}{2}}_{\text{conjugate symmetric}} + \underbrace{\frac{x(t) - x^*(-t)}{2}}_{\text{conjugate anti-symmetric}}$$

Right- and Left-Sided Signals

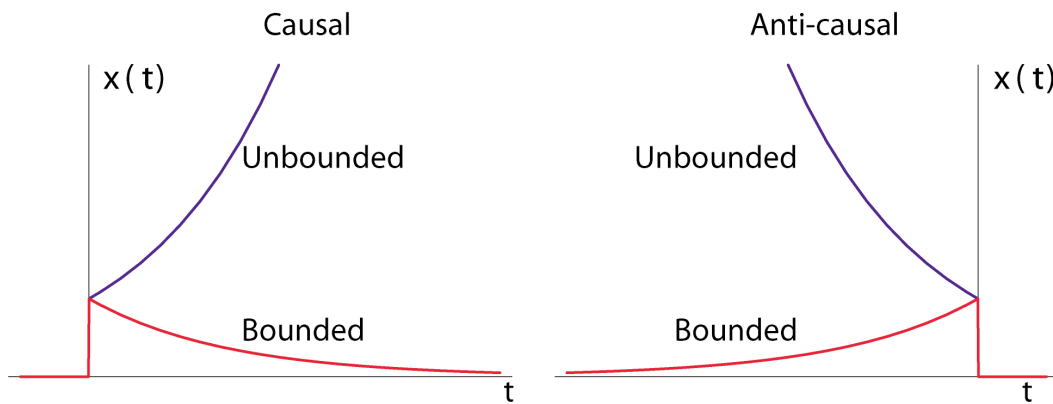
Def.

A right-sided signal is zero for $t < T$ and a left-sided signal is zero for $t > T$, where T can be positive or negative.



[commonality difference] $\rightarrow$ $\frac{1}{2}$ compress

Bounded and Unbounded Signals



Whether the output signal of a *system* is bounded or unbounded determines the stability of the system.

Eg. Demo, the inverted pendulum, unstable but can be stabilized using a feedback control system.

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Def. $x(t)$ is bounded if $\exists M \in \mathbb{R}_+$ st. $|x(t)| \leq M, \forall t$,
 Def. $x(t)$ is causal if $x(t) = 0, \forall t < 0$. $\lfloor x(t) = 0(1)$

Real and Complex Signals

A very important class of signals is:

- CT signals of the form $x(t) = e^{st}$
- DT signals of the form $x[n] = z^n$

Q Find x such that $\sin x = 2$.

where z and s are complex numbers. For both *exponential* CT and DT signals, x is a complex quantity and has:

- a real and imaginary part, or equivalently
- a magnitude and a phase angle.

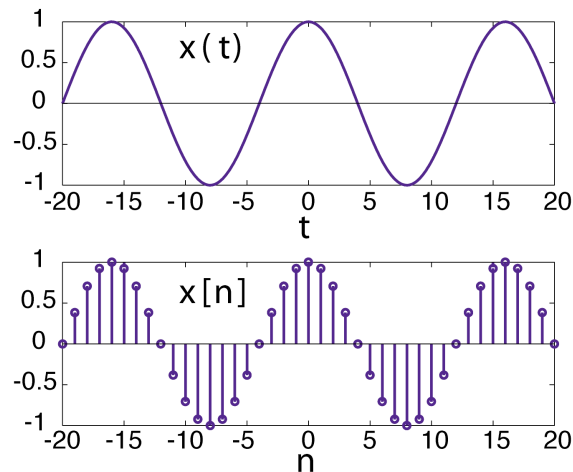
We will use whichever form that is convenient.

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For example, suppose $s = j\pi/8$ and $z = e^{j\pi/8}$, then the real parts are

$$\mathcal{R}\{x(t) = e^{st}\} = \mathcal{R}\{e^{j\pi t/8}\} = \cos(\pi t/8),$$

$$\mathcal{R}\{x[n] = z^n\} = \mathcal{R}\{e^{j\pi n/8}\} = \cos[\pi n/8].$$



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Summary

- We are awash in a sea of signal — sounds, visual, electrical, thermal, mechanical, etc.
- Signals can be time-varying or spatially varying, can be a function of multiple variables. However, in EECE233, we will mostly deal with 1D signals and use a generic time t to represent the variable, whether it is time, space, or something else.
- DT signals and systems become more and more important for signal processing, and will be a major part in EECE233.

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Next lecture covers:

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$$e^{j\theta} = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta$$

$$z = a + jb = re^{j\theta}, \quad a, b, r, \theta \in \mathbb{R}, \quad r \geq 0$$

$$|z| = r \quad \text{modulus}$$

$$z^* = a - jb = re^{-j\theta}$$

$$z^{-1} = \frac{1}{r} e^{-j\theta}$$

$$\bar{z}^* = (z^*)^T = \frac{1}{r} e^{j\theta}$$

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정보통신 시대를 연 천재적인 공학자 클로드 섀넌의 "문제해결의 6단계"

단순화에서 시작하여 다시 복잡화를 통해 본래에 문제를 해결할 뿐만 아니라 새로운 문제를 찾아내고 해결함.

Step 1: Simplify. Simplify. Simplify.

Step 2: Fill your 'mental matrix' with solutions to similar problems.

Step 3: Approach the problem from many different angles.

Step 4: Break a big problem down into small pieces.

Step 5: Solve the problem 'backwards.'

Step 6: If you've solved the problem, extend that solution out as far as it will go.