

Introduction to Computer Programming

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Abstract

Given the data supplied for this instructional lab, several operations were performed upon it. These values represent an unknown signal.

1 Introduction

Using programming language, “C”, programmes to calculate the square, square-root, derivative, integral, and root-mean-square of the given unknown signal were written. The value of these programmes is to be able to calculate these operations on large amounts of data in a short amount of time.

2 Theory

The derivative was calculated using,

$$\text{slope} = \frac{in_y - prev_y}{in_x - prev_x} \quad (1)$$

This equation calculates the slope of the given data, which is equivalent to its derivative. The integral was calculated using

$$\text{area} = \frac{1}{2}(in_x - prev_x)(in_y + prev_y) \quad (2)$$

This is the midpoint method to calculate the area. The area was added to the previous value, resulting in a good approximation of the integral of the given the data.

3 Data

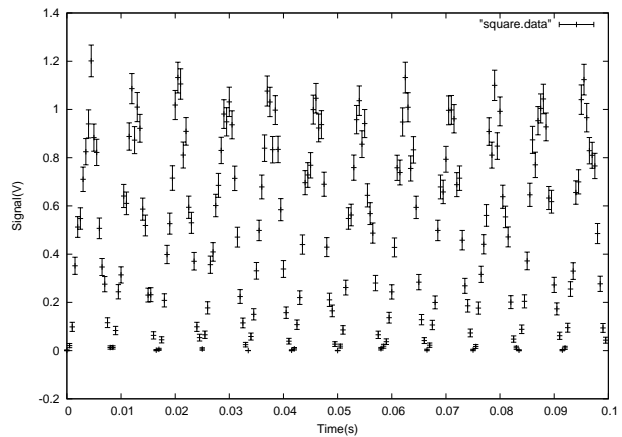


Figure 1: Square of the Signal as a Function of Time

All the values seen in Figure 1 are positive, as this is a square function.

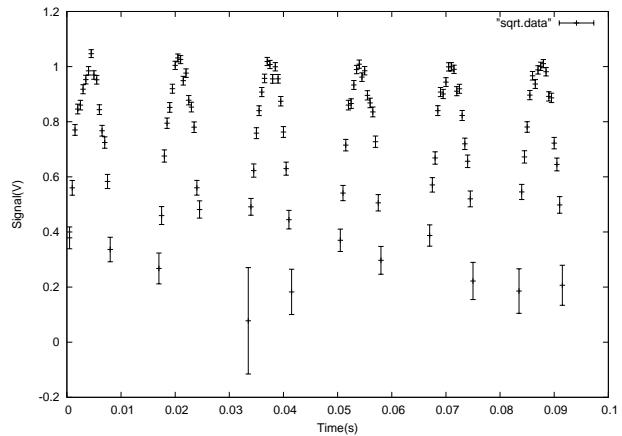


Figure 2: Square-Root of the Signal as a Function of Time

All the values seen in Figure 2 are positive, as this is a square-root function.

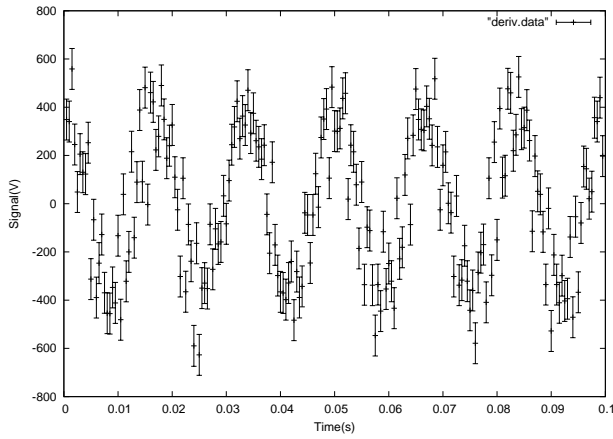


Figure 3: Derivative of the Signal as a Function of Time

The distribution of the values in Figure 3 resembles a cosine function. This is expected.

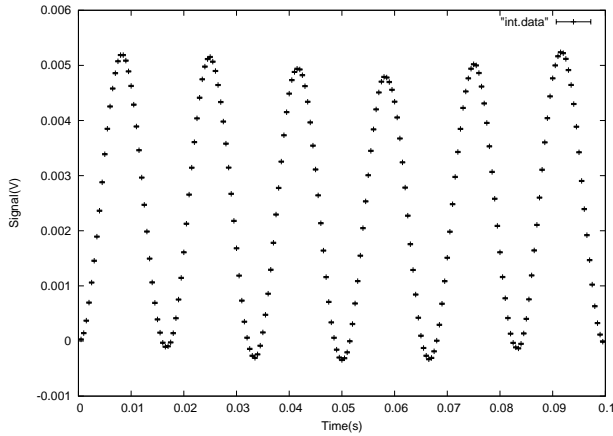


Figure 4: Integral of the Signal as a Function of Time

As expected, the distribution of the values in Figure 4 resembles a negative cosine function.

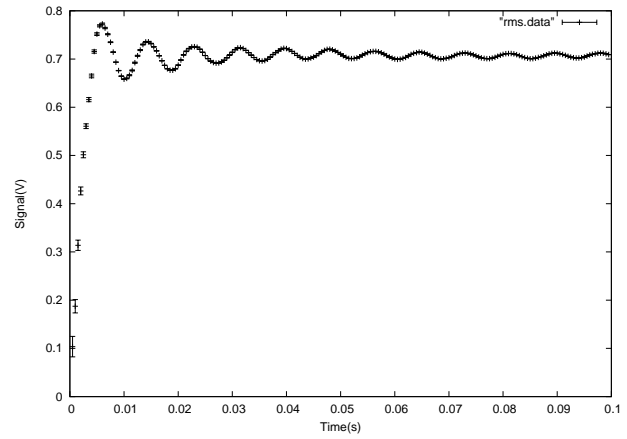


Figure 5: Root-Mean-Square of the Signal as a Function of Time

The values seen in Figure 5 are all positive, which is expected because the root-mean-square is the square root of the square of the mean of the dependent variable.

4 Conclusions

As a result of performing the operations on the unknown signal, we were able to determine that it is a sinusoidal signal. This can be seen by examining the results obtained when the derivative of the signal was taken. As expected from a sinusoidal signal, the result is a cosine. The same is true when the integral of the signal was taken. As seen in Figure 4, the result is a negative cosine wave, which coincides with what is expected from the integral of a sinusoidal function. Possible sources for this signal include anything that exhibits simple harmonic motion, such as a pendulum, or an everyday electrical outlet.

A Programme to Compute the Square of the Dependent Variable: square.c

```
#include <stdio.h>

/*
 * A very simple program to read in three columns X, Y, Z
 * and print out them back out again
 *
 */

int main (void)
{
    char line [256]; /* used to buffer a whole line of input */

    double in_x, in_y, in_e; /* input variables */
    double out_x, out_y, out_e; /* output variables */
    double prev_x, prev_y, prev_e; /* transitory variables */

    int counter = 0, rc; /* used for debugging bad data input */

    while (fgets (line, 256, stdin)) { /* read a whole line into buffer */
        counter++; /* increment line counter */
        rc = sscanf (line, "%lf %lf %lf", &in_x, &in_y, &in_e); /* attempt to parse variables */
        if (rc != 3) { /* if didn't find all three protest and exit */
            fprintf (stderr, "Less than three floats on line %i:\n\n%s\n\n", counter, line);
            return 1;
        }

        out_x = in_x; /* calculate */
        out_y = in_y * in_y;
        out_e = 2 * in_y * in_e;

        printf ("%g\t%g\t%g\n", out_x, out_y, out_e); /* calculate and output result */

        prev_x = in_x; /* save the previous triplet */
        prev_y = in_y;
        prev_e = in_e;
    }
    fprintf (stderr, "Processed %i lines\n", counter); /* babble some statistics */
    return 0;
}
```

B Programme to Compute the Square-Root of the Dependent Variable: sqrt.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>

/*
 * A very simple program to read in three columns X, Y, Z
 * and print out them back out again
 *
 */
```

```

int main (void)
{
    char line [256]; /* used to buffer a whole line of input */

    double in_x, in_y, in_e; /* input variables */
    double out_x, out_y, out_e; /* output variables */
    double prev_x, prev_y, prev_e; /* transitory variables */

    int counter = 0, rc; /* used for debugging bad data input */

    while (fgets (line, 256, stdin)) { /* read a whole line into buffer */
        counter++; /* increment line counter */
        rc = sscanf (line, "%lf %lf %lf", &in_x, &in_y, &in_e); /* attempt to parse variables */
        if (rc != 3) { /* if didn't find all three protest and exit */
            fprintf (stderr, "Less than three floats on line %i:\n\"%s\"\n", counter, line);
            return 1;
        }

        out_x = in_x; /* calculate */
        out_y = sqrt(in_y);
        out_e = in_e / (2 * out_y);

        printf ("%g\t%g\t%g\n", out_x, out_y, out_e); /* calculate and output result */

        prev_x = in_x; /* save the previous triplet */
        prev_y = in_y;
        prev_e = in_e;
    }
    fprintf (stderr, "Processed %i lines\n", counter); /* babble some statistics */
    return 0;
}

```

C Programme to Compute the Derivative of the Dependent Variable: deriv.c

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>

/*
 * A very simple program to read in three columns X, Y, Z
 * and print out them back out again
 *
 */

int main (void)
{
    char line [256]; /* used to buffer a whole line of input */

    double in_x, in_y, in_e; /* input variables */
    double out_x, out_y, out_e; /* output variables */
    double prev_x = 0, prev_y = 0, prev_e = 0; /* transitory variables */

    int counter = 0, rc; /* used for debugging bad data input */

```

```

while (fgets (line, 256, stdin)) { /* read a whole line into buffer */
    counter++; /* increment line counter */
    rc = sscanf (line, "%lf %lf %lf", &in_x, &in_y, &in_e); /* attempt to parse variables */
    if (rc != 3) { /* if didn't find all three protest and exit */
        fprintf (stderr, "Less than three floats on line %i:\n\"%s\"\n", counter, line);
        return 1;
    }

    out_x = in_x; /* calculate */
    out_y = in_y;
    out_e = in_e;

    if(counter > 1) {
        double a, b; /* temp var */

        /* calculate the derivative */
        out_y = (in_y - prev_y) / (in_x - prev_x);
        a = in_e / (in_x - prev_x);
        b = prev_e / (prev_x - in_x);
        out_e = sqrt(a * a + b * b);

        printf ("%g\t%g\t%g\n", out_x, out_y, out_e); /* calculate and output result */
    }

    prev_x = in_x; /* save the previous triplet */
    prev_y = in_y;
    prev_e = in_e;
}
fprintf (stderr, "Processed %i lines\n", counter); /* babble some statistics */
return 0;
}

```

D Programme to Compute the Integral of the Dependent Variable: int.c

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>

/*
 * A very simple program to read in three columns X, Y, Z
 * and print out them back out again
 *
 */

int main (void)
{
    char line [256]; /* used to buffer a whole line of input */

    double in_x, in_y, in_e; /* input variables */
    double out_x, out_y, out_e; /* output variables */
    double prev_x = 0, prev_y = 0, prev_e = 0; /* transitory variables */
    double integral = 0; /* used to calculate the running int(0, sin(x)) */

    int counter = 0, rc; /* used for debugging bad data input */

```

```

while (fgets (line, 256, stdin)) { /* read a whole line into buffer */
    counter++; /* increment line counter */
    rc = sscanf (line, "%lf %lf %lf", &in_x, &in_y, &in_e); /* attempt to parse variables */
    if (rc != 3) { /* if didn't find all three protest and exit */
        fprintf (stderr, "Less than three floats on line %i:\n\"%s\"\n", counter, line);
        return 1;
    }

    out_x = in_x; /* calculate */
    out_y = in_y;
    out_e = in_e;

    if(counter > 1) {
        double a, b; /* temp var */

        /* calculate the derivative */
        out_y = (in_x - prev_x) * (in_y + prev_y) / 2;
        integral += out_y;
        a = (in_x - prev_x) * in_e / 2;
        b = (-prev_x + in_x) * prev_e / 2;
        out_e = sqrt(a * a + b * b);

        printf ("%g\t%g\t%g\n", out_x, integral, out_e); /* calculate and output result */
    }

    prev_x = in_x; /* save the previous triplet */
    prev_y = in_y;
    prev_e = in_e;
}
fprintf (stderr, "Processed %i lines\n", counter); /* babble some statistics */
return 0;
}

```

E Programme to Compute the Mean of the Dependent Variable: mean.c

```

#include <stdio.h>

/*
 * A very simple program to read in three columns X, Y, Z
 * and print out them back out again
 *
 */

int main (void)
{
    char line [256]; /* used to buffer a whole line of input */

    double in_x, in_y, in_e; /* input variables */
    double out_x, out_y, out_e; /* output variables */
    double prev_x, prev_y, prev_e; /* transitory variables */

    int counter = 0, rc; /* used for debugging bad data input */

```

```

while (fgets (line, 256, stdin)) { /* read a whole line into buffer */
    counter++; /* increment line counter */
    rc = sscanf (line, "%lf %lf %lf", &in_x, &in_y, &in_e); /* attempt to parse variables */
    if (rc != 3) { /* if didn't find all three protest and exit */
        fprintf (stderr, "Less than three floats on line %i:\n\"%s\"\n", counter, line);
        return 1;
    }

    out_x = in_x; /* calculate */
    out_y = in_y / in_x;
    out_e = in_e / in_x;

    printf ("%g\t%g\t%g\n", out_x, out_y, out_e); /* calculate and output result */

    prev_x = in_x; /* save the previous triplet */
    prev_y = in_y;
    prev_e = in_e;
}
fprintf (stderr, "Processed %i lines\n", counter); /* babble some statistics */
return 0;
}

```