VIP ITS: Discrete Convolution GUI and State Saving

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Project Plan

- Modify GUI to have all the properties of the Matlab version
- Implement a smooth control system across the GUI
- Save the state of the GUI to a json file

Matlab GUI



Matlab GUI



Three plots

(input signals, multiplication plot, and convolution result)

Matlab GUI



Static input plots

Matlab GUI



Displayed equations

Matlab GUI



Choice of Signals







Signal Axis x[k]h[n-k]**Multiplication Axis** x[n] * h[n-k]**Convolution Axis** $\sum x[k]h[n-k]$

Save Progress Restore Progress

Input Signals

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Three plots



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DisConvDemo

Save Progress Restore Progress

Input Signals



Displayed equations



DisConvDemo

Save Progress

Restore Progress

Input Signals



Choice of Signal





Save Progress

Save State Option

GUI States

Goal: Create a way to save/restore student progress for ease of grading.

Solution

- Locally hosted PHP server to render lab website.
- On HTML button click send a JSON containing GUI state to the server.
- Server side PHP scripts:
 - JSON writing
 - JSON reading

Client Side State Process

• HTML Buttons:

- save_state
- restore_state
- JavaScript (In conjunction with JQuery)
 - Document Object Model getElementByID
 - Ajax (Asynchronous JavaScript and XML)
 - Send JSON data to server.
 - Load data from JSON and restore state without page refresh.

Server Side Save Process

• JSON processing with PHP scripts:

- save.php:
 - HTTP POST request and JSON string sent from the client.
 - JSON information written to state.json.
- restore.php
 - HTTP GET request is sent from client.
 - JSON string is returned to the client for state restoration.
- PHP Local Host Setup:
 - Terminal: "php -S localhost:4000/*"
 - Web Browser: "localhost:4000/DisConvDemo.html"

Future Improvements

- SQL Database Integration and User IDs for state differentiation.
- Letting the user control a wider variety of inputs to the GUI.
- Create an abstract state saving feature to save the state of any future project.
- Complete CSS styling so the lab website is user friendly.

Questions?