

Audio Processing

1. Linear Processing (filters, equalizer, delays effects, modulation) ✓

2. Nonlinear Processing (dynamics processing, distortion, octaver) ✓

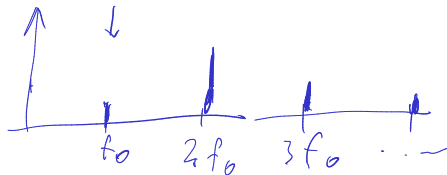
3. Time-Frequency Processing

(a) Phase Vocoder Techniques ✓

(b) Peak Based Techniques ✓

(c) Linear Predictive Coding Ⓢ

(d) Cepstrum •



4. Time-Domain Methods ✓

5. Spatial Effects

(a) Sound Field Methods ✓

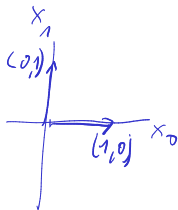
(b) Reverberation ✓

(c) Convolution Methods ✓

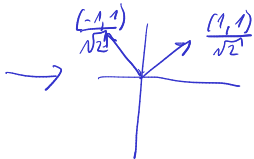


6. Audio Coding ✓

$$\vec{X} = (x_0, x_1)$$



$$\vec{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} & a_{10} \\ a_{01} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\vec{Y} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} \\ a_{01} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{Y} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{10} \\ a_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{00} \\ a_{10} \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} a_{01} \\ a_{11} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$


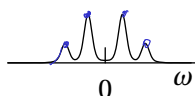
$$\vec{X} \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} \\ a_{10} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

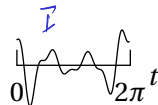
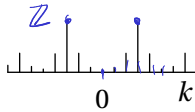
$$x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} \\ a_{10} \end{pmatrix}^T \vec{Y}$$

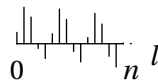
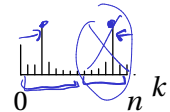
$$x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{01} \\ a_{11} \end{pmatrix}^T \vec{Y}$$

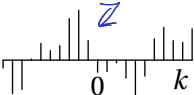
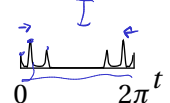
Introduction

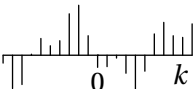
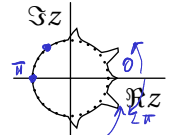
$n = \{2, 1, 0, -1, -2, \dots\}$
 $F[0], F[1], \dots, F[15], F[16]$
 \uparrow
 \downarrow

continuous FT  \rightarrow  $F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt$

Fourier series  \rightarrow  $F[k] = \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) e^{-ikt} dt$

DFT (FFT)  \rightarrow  $F[k] = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} f[l] e^{-i2\pi kl/n}$

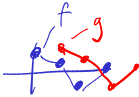
DTFT  \rightarrow  $F(\omega) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} f[k] e^{-i\omega k}$

z-transform  \rightarrow  $F(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} f[k] z^{-k}$
 $z = e^{i\omega}$

Linearity of z-transform:

$$\underline{g[t] = a f[t] \Rightarrow G(z) = a F(z)}, \quad \underline{g[t] = f_1[t] + f_2[t] \Rightarrow G(z) = F_1(z) + F_2(z)}.$$

Time delay of 1 \Rightarrow multiplication by z^{-1} :



$$\underline{g[t] = f[t-1]} \Rightarrow$$

$$\underline{G(z) = \sum g[t] z^{-t} = \sum f[t-1] z^{-t} \stackrel{s=t-1}{=} \sum f[s] z^{-(s+1)}} \\ = \underline{z^{-1} \sum f[s] z^{-s} = z^{-1} F(z)}$$

Handwritten notes on the right: $h[0]$, $t_{h[0]}$, $x \cdot y$, $\varepsilon \rightarrow y[t]$, and a series of '9' characters.

FIR (finite impulse response) filters:

$$\underline{y[t]} = \underline{(h * x)[t]} = \underline{h[0]x[t]} + \underline{h[1]x[t-1]} + \dots + \underline{h[n]x[t-n]} \Rightarrow$$

$$\underline{Y(z) = h[0]X(z) + h[1]z^{-1}X(z) + \dots + h[n]z^{-n}X(z)}$$

$$= \underline{(h[0] + h[1]z^{-1} + \dots + h[n]z^{-n})X(z)}$$

$$= \underline{H(z)X(z)},$$

$h * x \dots$ convolution of x and h

$H \dots$ transfer function

IIR (infinite impulse response) filters:



$$y[t] = (\underline{h * x})[t]$$

$$= \underline{h[0]x[t]} + \dots \underline{h[n]x[t-n]} \\ + \underline{\hat{h}[1]y[t-1]} + \dots + \underline{\hat{h}[m]y[t-m]}$$

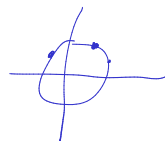
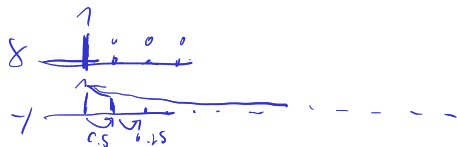
$$\underline{y[t]} - \underline{\hat{h}[1]y[t-1]} - \dots - \underline{\hat{h}[m]y[t-m]} = \underline{h[0]x[t]} + \dots \underline{h[n]x[t-n]}$$

$$\underline{(1 - \hat{h}[1]z^{-1} - \dots - \hat{h}[m]z^{-m})} \underline{Y(z)} = \underline{(h[0] + h[1]z^{-1} + \dots + h[n]z^{-n})} \underline{X(z)}$$

$$Y(z) = \frac{\underline{h[0] + h[1]z^{-1} + \dots + h[n]z^{-n}}}{\underline{1 - \hat{h}[1]z^{-1} - \dots - \hat{h}[m]z^{-m}}} \underline{X(z)}$$

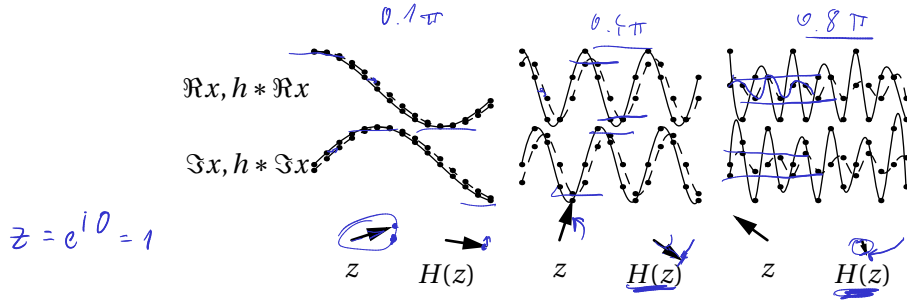
$$Y(z) = \underline{H(z)} X(z)$$

$$h = (1), \quad \hat{h} = (0.5)$$



(Complex) signal $\underline{x} = e^{i\omega t} = z^t$, $\omega \in \{0.1\pi, 0.4\pi, 0.8\pi\}$ (solid line)

Filtering (dashed line) by the filter $\underline{h} = (0.5, 0.5)$ ($\underline{H(z)} = 0.5 + 0.5z^{-1}$)



Assume: sampling rate 1 \Rightarrow f from 0 to 0.5 (the Nyquist frequency), $\omega = 2\pi f$ from 0 to π

1 Linear Processing

control flow

controls signal flow

slow (every 16 to 4096 samples)

signal flow

controls signal

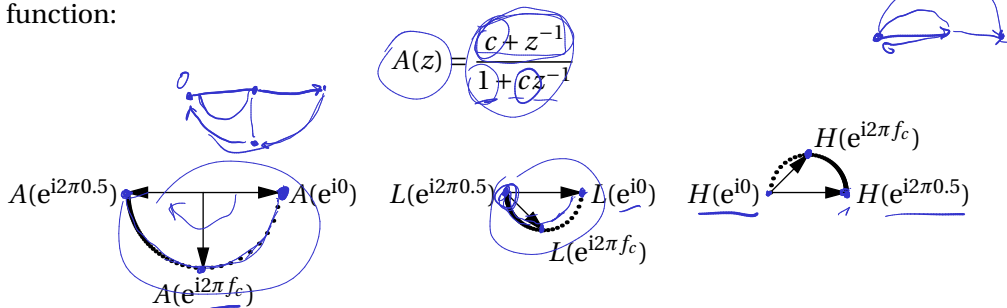
fast

Parametric filters (easy to change properties)

Parametric allpass filter (first order):

$$y[t] = (a * x)[t] = cx[t] + x[t-1] - cy[t-1]$$

Transfer function:



Transfer functions for allpass (A), lowpass (L) and highpass (H). $f_c = 0.1$

Magnitude response = 1:

$$|A(z)| = \frac{|c + z^{-1}|}{|1 + cz^{-1}|} = \frac{|c + z^{-1}|}{|z^{-1}| \cdot |z + c|} \stackrel{|z|=1}{=} 1$$



Phase response

$$\varphi = \arg(A(e^{i\omega})) = \begin{cases} 0 & \omega = 0 \\ -90^\circ & \text{"cutoff"-frequency } \omega = 2\pi f_c, A(z) = A(e^{-i\omega}) = -i \\ -180^\circ & \text{Nyquist rate } \omega = \pi \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{c + z^{-1}}{1 + cz^{-1}} = -i$$

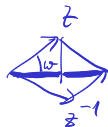
$$c + z^{-1} = -i - icz^{-1}$$

$$c(1 + iz^{-1}) = -(i + z^{-1}) \quad | \cdot (1 - iz)$$

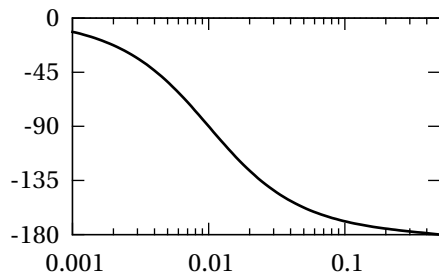
$$c(1 + iz^{-1} - iz + 1) = -(i + z^{-1} + z - 1)$$

$$c(2 + 2\sin\omega) = -2\cos\omega$$

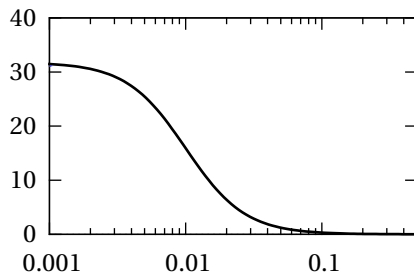
$$c = -\frac{\cos\omega}{1 + \sin\omega} = \frac{\tan(\pi f_c) - 1}{\tan(\pi f_c) + 1}$$



Phase response of parametric allpass filter with $f_c = 0.01$



Phase



Group delay in samples

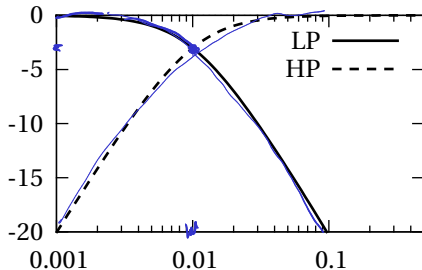
Parametric lowpass:

$$y = l * x = \frac{x + a * x}{2}, \quad L(z) = \frac{1 + A(z)}{2}$$

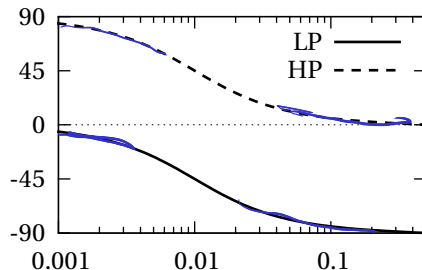
$$\begin{aligned} L(z) + H(z) &= \frac{1 + A(z)}{2} + \frac{1 - A(z)}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (2 + \cancel{A(z)} - \cancel{A(z)}) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Parametric highpass: substitute - for +, i.e. $h * x = \frac{x - a * x}{2}$

Response of parametric lowpass and highpass filters with $f_c = 0.01$:



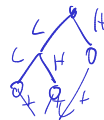
Magnitude response in dB



Phase

$$dB = 10 \log_{10}$$

$$-3dB \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$



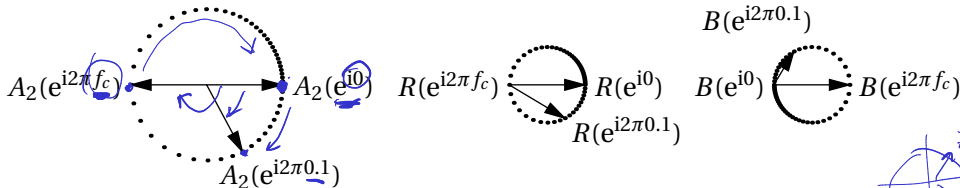
Second-order allpass filter:

$$y[t] = (a_2 * x)[t] = -dx[t] + c(1-d)x[t-1] + x[t-2] - c(1-d)y[t-1] + dy[t-2]$$

Transfer function:

$$A_2(z) = \frac{-d + c(1-d)z^{-1} + z^{-2}}{1 + c(1-d)z^{-1} - dz^{-2}}$$

Transfer functions for second-order allpass (A_2), band-reject (R) and band-pass (B) filters for $f_c = 0.2$ and $f_d = 0.15$:



Magnitude response = 1:

$$|A_2(z)| = \frac{|-d + c(1-d)z^{-1} + z^{-2}|}{|1 + c(1-d)z^{-1} - dz^{-2}|} = \frac{|-d + c(1-d)z^{-1} + z^{-2}|}{|z^{-2}| \cdot |-d + c(1-d)z + z^2|} \stackrel{|z|=1}{=} 1.$$

$$z = a + ib \\ z \cdot \bar{z} = (a + ib)(a - ib) = a^2 + b^2$$

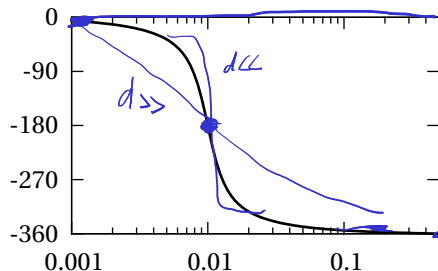
Phase -180° at $\omega = \frac{f_c}{2\pi}$: $A_2(z) = A_2(e^{i\omega}) = -1 \Rightarrow$

$$c = -\cos \omega = -\cos 2\pi f_c$$

Parameter d controls the slope:

$$d = \frac{\tan(\pi f_d) - 1}{\tan(\pi f_d) + 1}$$

Phase response of second-order allpass filter for $f_c = 0.01$ and $f_d = 0.005$:



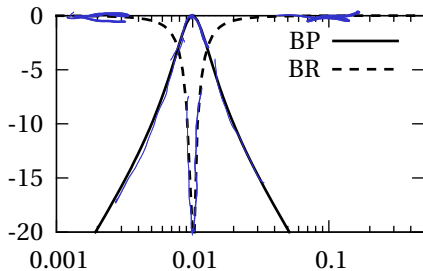
Second-order bandpass filter:

$$y = b * x = \frac{x - a_2 * x}{2}, \quad B(z) = \frac{1 - A_2(z)}{2}$$

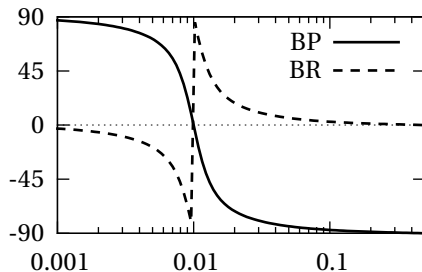
Second-order bandreject filter:

$$y = r * x = \frac{x + a_2 * x}{2}, \quad R(z) = \frac{1 + A_2(z)}{2}$$

Response of parametric second-order bandpass and bandreject filters with $f_c = 0.01$ and $f_d = 0.005$



Magnitude response in dB



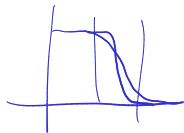
Phase

Second-order lowpass filter ($K = \tan \pi f_c$):

$$y[t] = (l_2 * x)[t] = \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{2}K + K^2} (\underbrace{K^2 x[t]} + \underbrace{\sqrt{2}K^2 x[t-1]} + \underbrace{K^2 x[t-2]} - 2(K^2 - 1)y[t-1] - (1 - \sqrt{2}K + K^2)\underbrace{y[t-2]})$$

Second-order highpass filter:

$$y[t] = (h_2 * x)[t] = \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{2}K + K^2} (x[t] - 2x[t-1] + x[t-2] - 2(K^2 - 1)y[t-1] - (1 - \sqrt{2}K + K^2)y[t-2])$$

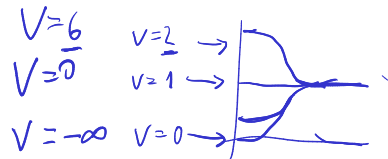


Shelving filters: add low-/high-pass to original signal.

$$s_l * x = x + \underbrace{(v-1)}_{-1} l * x, \quad s_h * x = x + (v-1) h * x,$$

v ... amplitude factor for the passband

Gain in dB $V \Rightarrow \underline{v = 10^{V/20}}$

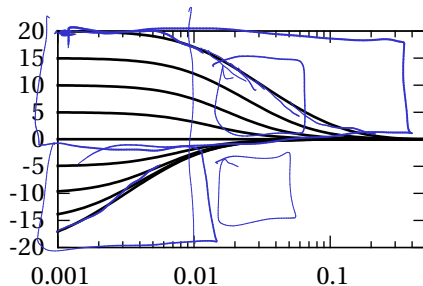


$$V = 20 \log_{10} v$$

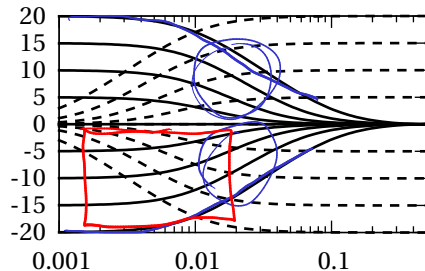
$$\frac{V}{20} = \log_{10} v \quad / 10^{\circ}$$

$$10^{\frac{V}{20}} = v$$

Magnitude response of low-frequency and high-frequency shelving filters for gain from -20dB to $+20\text{dB}$ and $f_c = 0.01$



uncorrected cut-frequency



corrected cut-frequency

Correction to make this symmetrical for $\nu < 1$:

$$\underline{c} = \frac{\tan(\pi f_c) - \underline{\nu}}{\tan(\pi f_c) + \underline{\nu}} \quad c = \frac{\underline{\nu} \tan(\pi f_c) - 1}{\underline{\nu} \tan(\pi f_c) + 1}$$

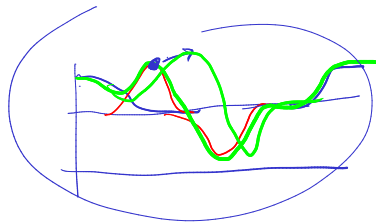
for the low-frequency and the high-frequency filter, respectively.

Peak filter:

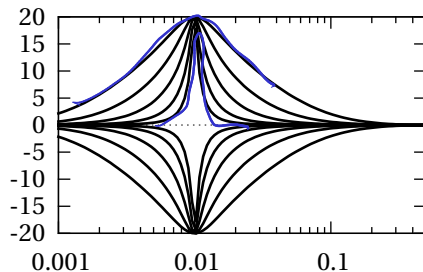
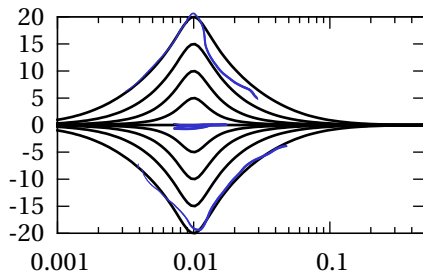
$$p * x = x + (\nu - 1)b * x$$

Similar correction for $\nu < 1$:

$$d = \frac{\tan(\pi f_d) - \boxed{\nu}}{\tan(\pi f_d) + \boxed{\nu}}$$



Magnitude response of peak filters for $f_c = 0.01$:



varying gain, $f_d = 0.005$ varying bandwidth $f_d = \underline{0.0005}, 0.001, 0.002, 0.004, \underline{0.008}$

Equalizer:

$$e \times x = \underbrace{s_l(f_{cl}, V_l)}_{\text{}} * \underbrace{p(f_{c1}, f_{d1}, V_1)}_{\text{}} * \cdots * \underbrace{p(f_{cn}, f_{dn}, V_n)}_{\text{}} * \underbrace{s_h(f_{ch}, V_h)}_{\text{}} \times \times$$

$e \times x$

$$c = a * b$$

$$C = A \cdot B$$

Phaser: set of second-order bandreject filters with independently varying center frequencies
 Implemented by a cascade of second-order allpass filters that are mixed with the original signal

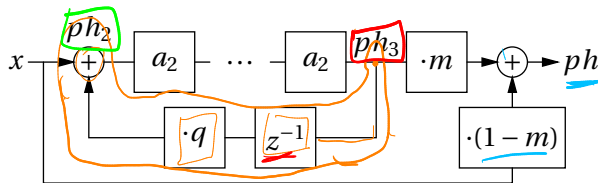
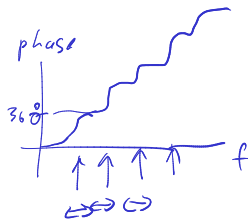
$$\underline{ph} * \underline{x} = (1 - m) \underline{x} + m \cdot \underline{a_2^{(n)}} * \cdots * \underline{a_2^{(2)}} * \underline{a_2^{(1)}} * \underline{x}$$

Extension: feedback loop

$$\boxed{ph_3 * x} = a_2^{(n)} * \cdots * a_2^{(2)} * a_2^{(1)} * \boxed{ph_2 * x},$$

$$\boxed{ph_2 * x}[t] = x[t] + q \cdot (\boxed{ph_3 * x})[t-1],$$

$$\underline{ph} * \underline{x} = (1 - m) \underline{x} + m \cdot \underline{ph_3 * x}.$$



Wah-Wah effect: set of peak filters with varying center frequencies
 Implemented with a single peak filter with m -tap delay ($W(z) = \underline{P(z^m)}$)

$$p \star x = p \cdot x + q \cdot a_2 \star x$$

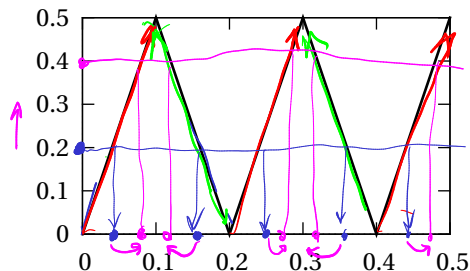
$$\dots x[t] \dots x[t-1] \dots x[t-2] \dots a[t-1] \dots a[t-2]$$

Because

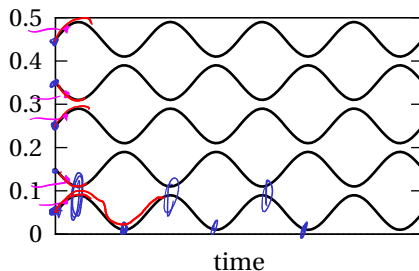
$$\cancel{X} \dots \cancel{X} \cdot \overset{3}{z^{-3}} \dots \cancel{X} \cdot \overset{6}{z^{-6}} \dots \overset{3}{A} \cdot \overset{3}{z^{-3}} \dots \overset{6}{A} \cdot \overset{6}{z^{-6}} = \underline{P(z^3)}$$

$$\|H(e^{i(-\omega)})\| = |H(\bar{z})| = |\overline{H(z)}| = \|H(z)\| = \|H(e^{i\omega})\|,$$

and because $\underline{e^{i\omega}} = \underline{e^{i(\omega \pm 2\pi)}} \Rightarrow$ map $\underline{m\omega}$ to $[0, \pi]$
 \Rightarrow Frequency mapping $\underline{f} \mapsto \underline{g(f)}$ so that $\|P(e^{i2\pi m f})\| = \|P(e^{i2\pi g(f)})\|$.

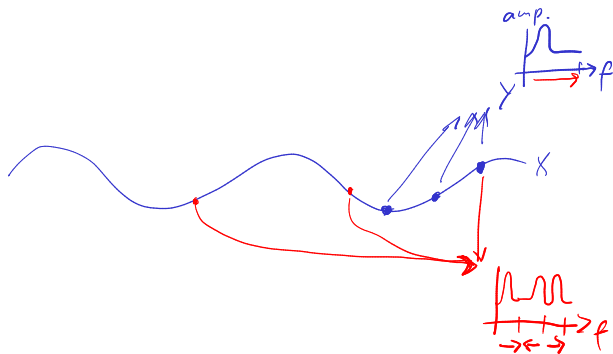


$$f \mapsto g(f), \underline{m=5}$$



Peak frequencies, $m=5$, controlled by LFO

Constant Q-factor: $q = \frac{f_d}{f_c} \Rightarrow \underline{f_d} = \underline{q f_c}$

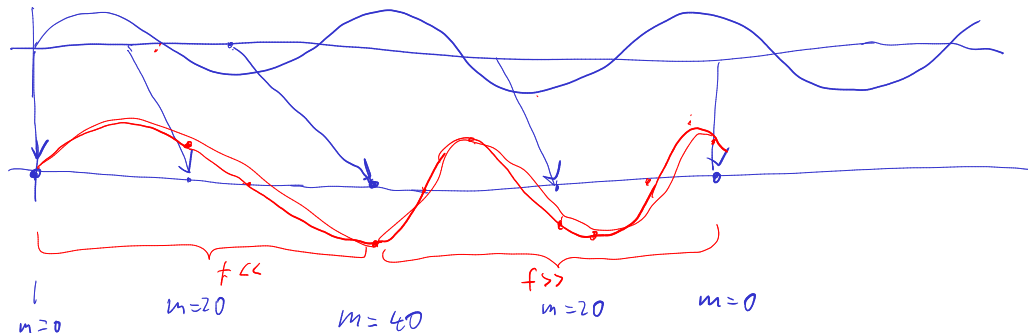


Delay effects: m -tap delay, optional mix with direct signal, optional (IIR-)feedback

$$x[t-1] \rightarrow x[t-m]$$

Example:

vibrato effect: time-shift m varied according to a low-frequency oscillator (LFO) between 0 and 3 ms

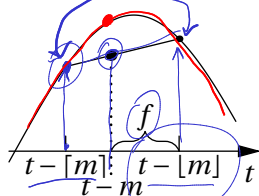


Integer m not fine grained enough \Rightarrow **fractional delays**

1. linear interpolation

$$y[t] = (1-f)x[t - \lfloor m \rfloor] + f x[t - \lceil m \rceil]$$

$$f = m - \lfloor m \rfloor$$



$$m = 3.8$$

$$\lfloor m \rfloor = 3$$

$$\lceil m \rceil = 4$$

$$f = 0.8$$

2. correct way: sinc interpolation



$$x(s) = \sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} x[t] \text{sinc}(s-t),$$

$$\text{sinc}(s) = \frac{\sin \pi s}{\pi s}$$

$$y[t] = x[t] + \frac{1}{2}y[t-1]$$

$$\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}$$

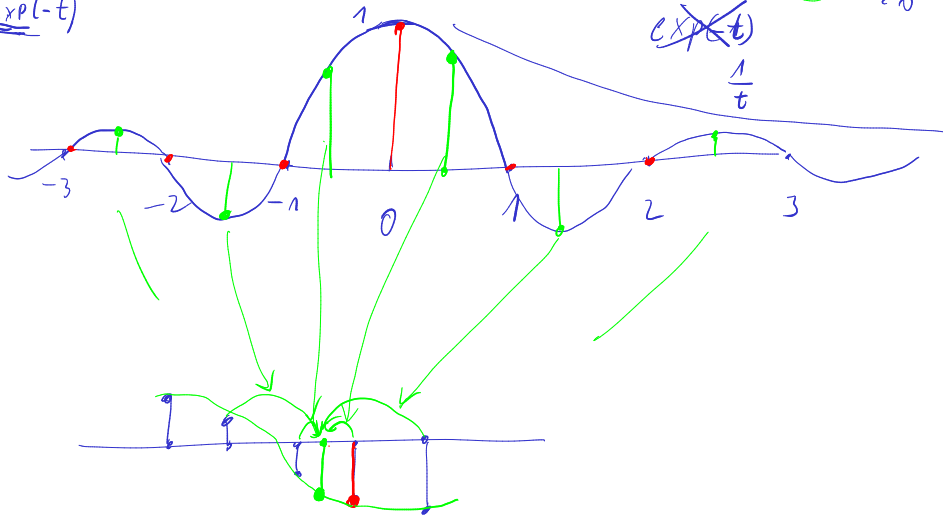
~~$\exp(-t)$~~

$$\frac{\sin \pi s}{\pi s} \rightarrow 0$$

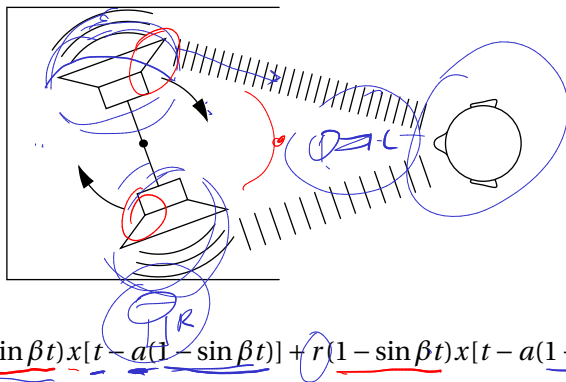
$\pi s \rightarrow 0$

~~$\exp(-t)$~~

$$\frac{1}{t}$$



Rotary speaker



β ... rotation speed of the speakers

a ... depth of the pitch modulation

l, r ... amplitudes of the two speakers

Stereo effect: l and r unequal but symmetrical values for the left and right channel

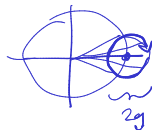
e.g. y_l with $l = 0.7, r = 0.5$, y_r with $l = 0.5, r = 0.7$.

Comb filter: delayed signal mixed with direct signal

FIR comb filter:

$$y[t] = (c * x)[t] = \underline{x[t]} + \underline{g x[t-m]},$$

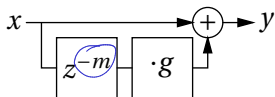
$$C(z) = \underline{1} + \underline{g z^{-m}},$$



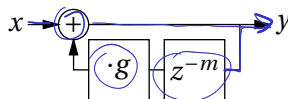
IIR comb filter:

$$y[t] = (c * x)[t] = \underline{x[t]} + \underline{g y[t-m]},$$

$$\underline{C(z)} = \frac{1}{\underline{1 - g z^{-m}}},$$



FIR comb filter



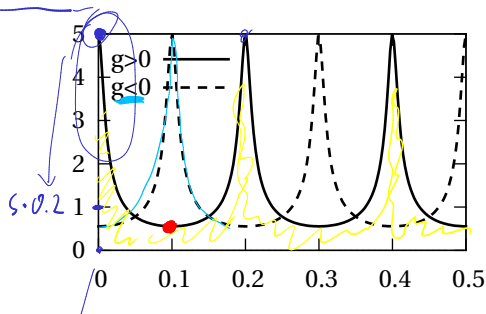
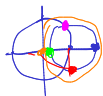
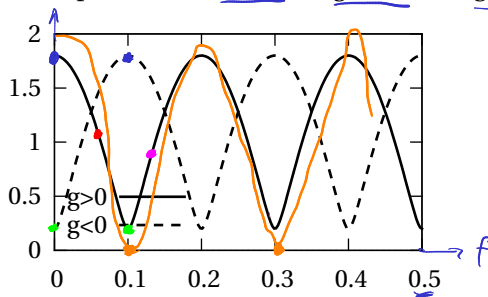
IIR comb filter

$$(1 + \cancel{g z^{-m}}) \left(\frac{1}{1 + \cancel{g z^{-m}}} \right) = 1$$

↑
-g



Magnitude response with $m = 5$ for $g = 0.8$ and $g = -0.8$:



$$Y = X + 0.8Y$$

$$Y(1 - 0.8) = X$$

$$Y = \frac{X}{1 - 0.8} = \frac{X}{0.2} = 5X$$

$$Y = X - 0.8Y$$

$$Y(1 + 0.8) = X$$

$$Y = \frac{X}{1 + 0.8}$$

$$= \frac{X}{1.8}$$

Problem: very high gain possible for IIR comb filter. Solution:

- ① retain L^∞ -norm (max): multiply output by $1 - |g|$

$$1 - 0.8 = 0.2$$

- unmodified loudness for broadband signals: retain L^2 -norm: multiply by $\sqrt{1 - g^2}$.

$$\sqrt{1 - 0.8^2}$$

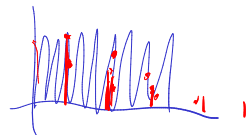
$$\sqrt{1 - 0.64}$$

$$\sqrt{0.36} = 0.6$$

Audio effects with delay filters:

- **slapback** effect: FIR comb filter with a delay of 10 to 25 ms (1950's rock'n'roll)
- **echo**: delays over 50 ms
- **flanger** effect: delays less than 15 ms, varied by a low-frequency oscillator (LFO)
- **chorus** effect: mixing several delayed signals with direct signal, delays independently and randomly varied with LFOs

All effects also possible with IIR comb filters.



Ring modulator: multiplies a carrier signal $c[t]$ and a modulator signal $m[t]$

Complex signals: if $c[t] = e^{i\omega_c t}$ and $m[t] = e^{i\omega_m t}$, then

$$c[t]m[t] = e^{i\omega_c t} e^{i\omega_m t} = e^{i(\omega_c + \omega_m)t}$$

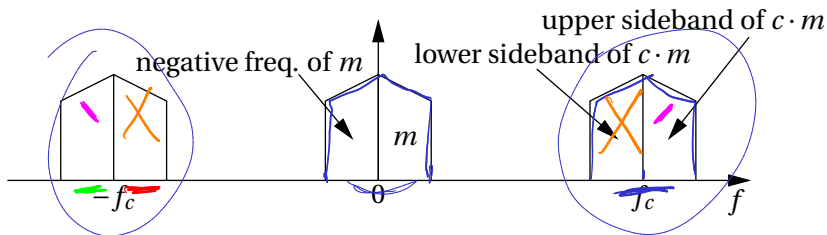


Real signals: mirrored negative frequencies included: $\cos x = \frac{1}{2}(e^{ix} + e^{-ix})$.

$$\begin{aligned} e^{ix} &= \cos + i \sin \\ e^{-ix} &= \cos - i \sin \\ \hline &= 2 \cos \end{aligned}$$

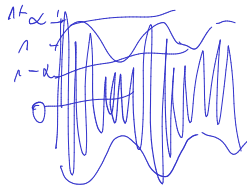
For $c[t] = \cos \omega_c t$ and $m[t] = \cos \omega_m t$:

$$\begin{aligned} c[t]m[t] &= \frac{1}{2}(e^{i\omega_c t} + e^{-i\omega_c t}) \frac{1}{2}(e^{i\omega_m t} + e^{-i\omega_m t}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(e^{i(\omega_c + \omega_m)t} + e^{-i(\omega_c + \omega_m)t} + e^{i(\omega_c - \omega_m)t} + e^{-i(\omega_c - \omega_m)t}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\cos(\omega_c + \omega_m)t + \cos(\omega_c - \omega_m)t) \end{aligned}$$



Amplitude modulation: reversed roles of c and m \Rightarrow tremolo effect

$$y[t] = (1 + \alpha m[t])x[t]$$



Getting rid of lower sideband: Reconstruct imaginary part by 90° phase shift filter

$\cos \omega t$ should become

$$\cos\left(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{i\left(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} + e^{-i\left(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(-ie^{i\omega t} + ie^{-i\omega t} \right).$$

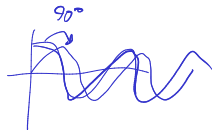
Handwritten notes: A blue arrow labeled 90° points to the cosine term. Above the equation, $e^{i\omega t}$ and $-e^{-i\frac{\pi}{2}}$ are written with a $-i$ below them. The terms in the final equation are circled in blue.

\Rightarrow transfer function of the filter should be

$$H(e^{i\omega}) = \begin{cases} -i & \omega > 0 \\ i & \omega < 0. \end{cases}$$

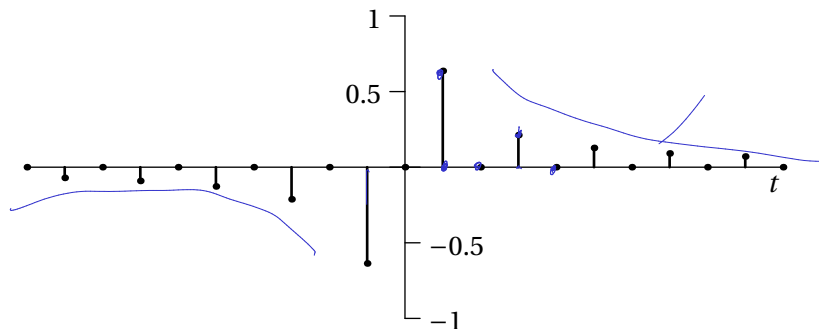
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= Hilbert filter



Inverse z-transform \Rightarrow impulse response:

$$\begin{aligned}
 h[t] &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \boxed{H(e^{i\omega})} e^{i\omega t} d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\int_{-\pi}^0 \boxed{i} e^{i\omega t} d\omega \ominus \int_0^{\pi} \boxed{i} e^{i\omega t} d\omega \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(i \frac{e^{i\omega t}}{it} \Big|_{-\pi}^0 - i \frac{e^{i\omega t}}{it} \Big|_0^{\pi} \right) = \frac{1}{2\pi t} \begin{cases} 1+1+1+1 & t \text{ odd} \\ 1-1-1+1 & t \text{ even} \end{cases} = 0 \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{2}{\pi t} & t \text{ odd} \\ 0 & t \text{ even} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$



We write \hat{x} = h * x .

$$\underline{c} + i\hat{c}$$

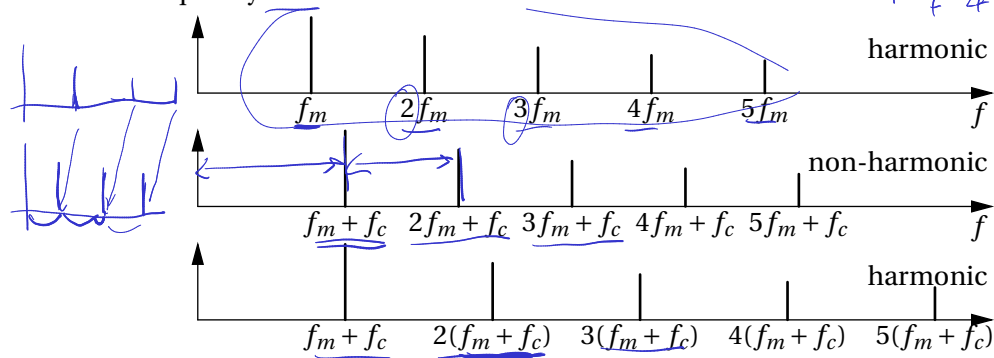
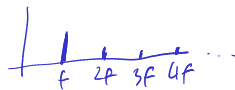
Analytic version (without negative frequencies) of c and m : $c + i\hat{c}$, $m + i\hat{m}$. \Rightarrow

$$(c + i\hat{c})(m + i\hat{m}) = \underline{cm} - \hat{c}\hat{m} + i(\underline{c\hat{m}} + \underline{\hat{c}m})$$



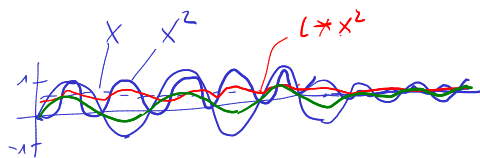
Real part = **single sideband** modulated signal: cm - $\hat{c}\hat{m}$.

Attention: frequency shifts lead to non-harmonic sounds:



2 Nonlinear Processing

- Linear processing: $y = \hat{h} * x$
- Nonlinear processing: $y = g(x)$
 - example: $y[t] = (x[t])^2$
 - example: $y[t] = (x[t])^2 + x[t-1] \cdot x[t-2]$
 - example: $y = x(l * x^2)$, low f_c
 \Rightarrow slow amplitude manipulation (dynamics processing)

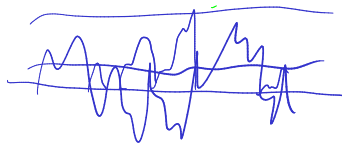
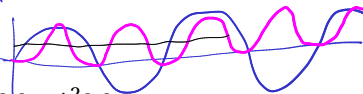
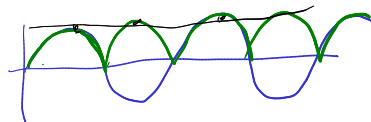
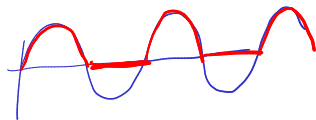


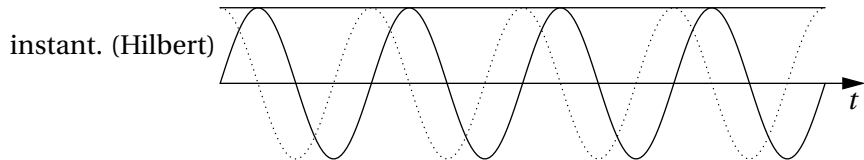
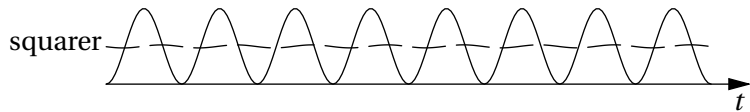
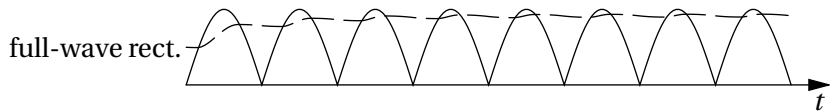
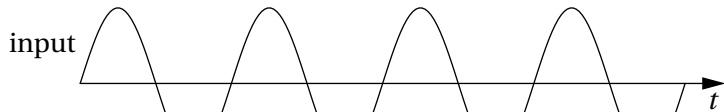
Dynamics processing

First step: amplitude follower comprised of detector and averager

Detector:

- half-wave rectifier: $d(x)[t] = \max(0, x[t])$.
- full-wave rectifier: $d(x)[t] = |x[t]|$.
- squarer: $d(x)[t] = x^2[t]$.
- instantaneous envelope (Hilbert transform) $d(x)[t] = x^2[t] + \hat{x}^2[t]$.

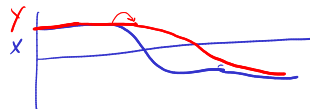




Averager:

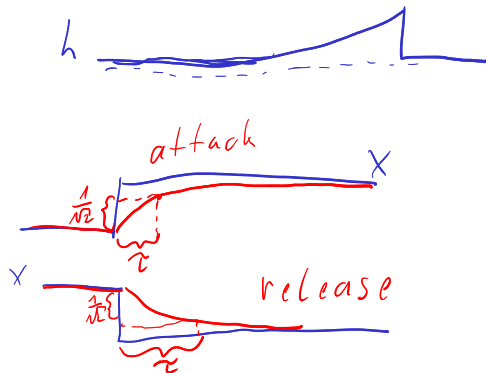
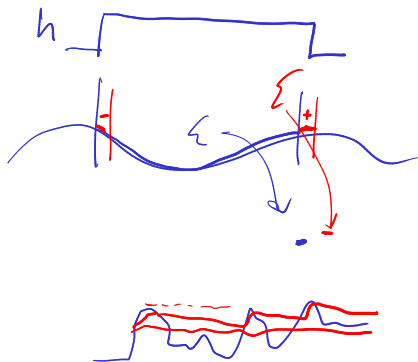
$$y[t] = a(x)[t] = (1 - g)x[t] + g y[t-1], \quad \text{where } g = e^{-\frac{1}{\tau}}$$

τ ... attack and release time constant in samples.



Shorter attack than release times:

$$y[t] = a(x)[t] = \begin{cases} (1 - g_a)x[t] + g_a y[t-1] & y[t-1] < x[t] \\ (1 - g_r)x[t] + g_r y[t-1] & y[t-1] \geq x[t] \end{cases}$$

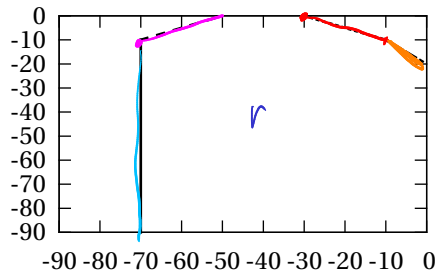
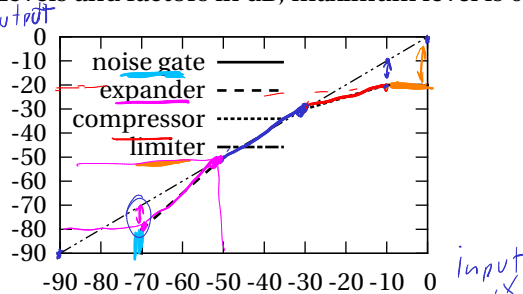


Dynamic range control:

$$y[t] = x[t - \tau] \cdot a_2(\exp(r(\log(a_1(d(x)))))) [t]$$

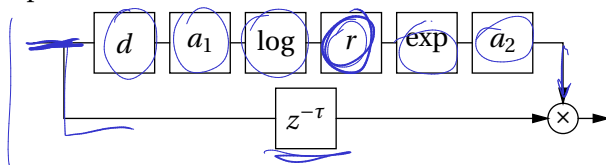
Handwritten notes above the equation: $\left(\frac{d}{20}\right) \leftarrow r(\dots) \leftarrow 20 \log_{10} \rightarrow dB$

Levels and factors in dB, maximum level is 0 dB:

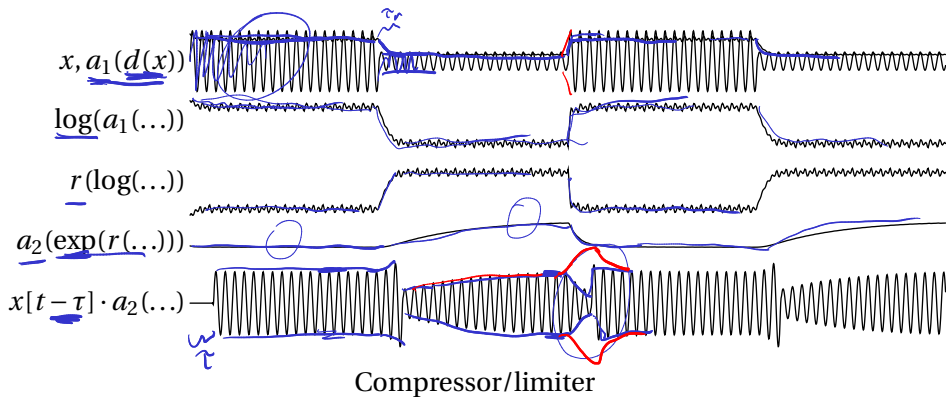


Output level over input level

Gain factor r over input level

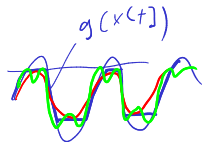


Operator chain for dynamics processing



- **compressor** reduces the amplitude of loud signals
- **expander** does the opposite
- **noise gate** entirely eliminates signals below a threshold
- **limiter** reduces peaks in the audio signal (rectifier as detector)
- **infinite limiter** or **clipper**: limiter with zero attack and release times: $y[t] = g(x[t])$

Typical values: $\tau_{1,a} = 5 \text{ ms}$, $\tau_{1,r} = 130 \text{ ms}$, $\tau_{2,a} = 1 \dots 100 \text{ ms}$, $\tau_{2,r} = 20 \dots 5000 \text{ ms}$.



$$y[t] = g(x[t])$$

Taylor expansion: $g(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + \dots$

Impact on frequency spectrum of a single oscillation:

$$\cos(n(\omega t + \varphi)) = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \cos((n-2k)(\omega t + \varphi))$$

(Handwritten notes: 'n' is circled in blue; 'n-2k' is circled in blue with '-n+2k' written below it; the entire right side is circled in red)

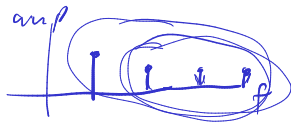
\Rightarrow new frequencies $\omega, 2\omega, 3\omega, \dots, n\omega$

Total harmonic distortion:

$$\text{THD} = \sqrt{\frac{A_2^2 + A_3^2 + A_4^2 + \dots}{A_1^2 + A_2^2 + A_3^2 + \dots}}$$

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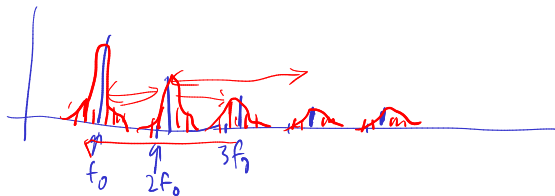
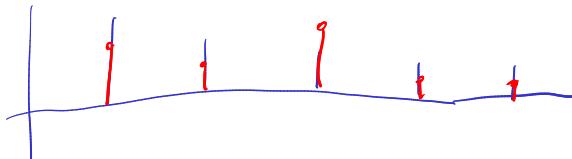
A_k ... amplitude of frequency $k\omega$



More than one frequency in the input signal:

$$(\cos \omega_1 t + \cos \omega_2 t)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \cos^k \omega_1 t \cos^{n-k} \omega_2 t$$

New frequencies: $a\omega_1 + b\omega_2$ for integers a and b



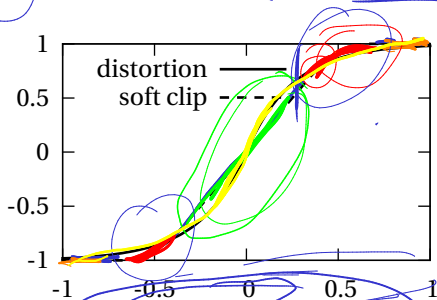
Soft clipping:

$$g(x) = \text{sign}(x) \cdot \begin{cases} 2|x| & 0 \leq |x| \leq \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{3 - (2 - 3|x|)^2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \leq |x| \leq \frac{2}{3} \\ 1 & \frac{2}{3} \leq |x| \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Distortion:

$$g(x) = \text{sign}(x)(1 - e^{-a|x|})$$

a ... amount of distortion



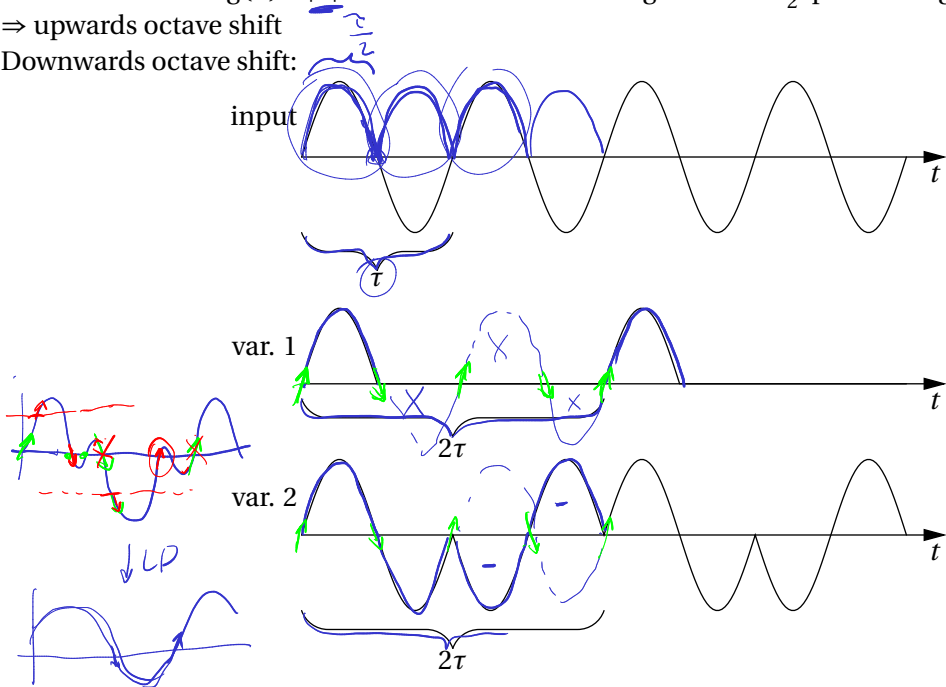
- **overdrive** ... small amount of distortion ("warmer" sound)
- **distortion** ... clearly audible distortion
- **fuzz** ... heavy distortion (mutual interaction between several notes results in noise)
- **exciter** ... light distortion to increase harmonics of a sound (brighter and clearer sound)
- **enhancer** ... like exciter, also uses equalization to shape the harmonic content

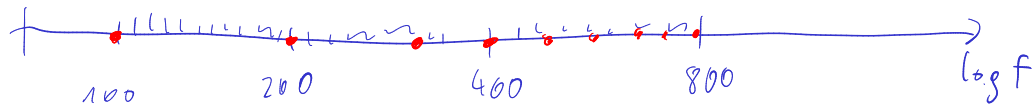
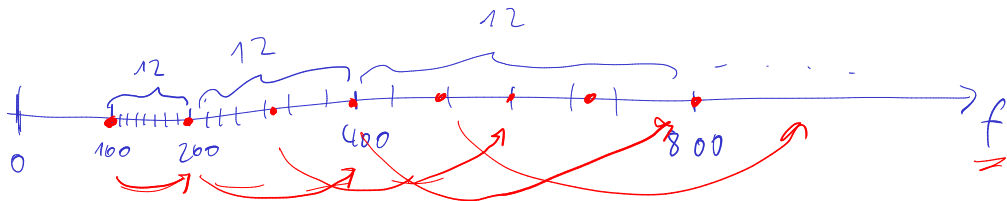
Octaver:

Full-wave rectifier $g(x) = |x|$ sine-wave with wave-length τ into a $\frac{\tau}{2}$ -periodic signal

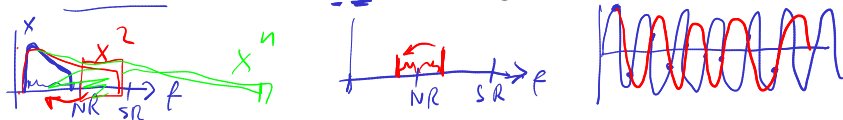
\Rightarrow upwards octave shift

Downwards octave shift:





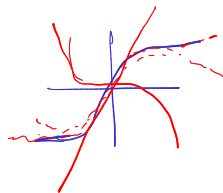
Problem: Distortion \Rightarrow bandwidth extension ($x^n \Rightarrow n\omega$) \Rightarrow aliasing



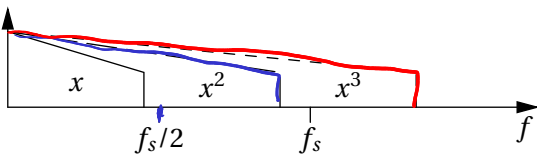
- Solution 1: upsample signal by n using interpolation \Rightarrow new frequencies from distortion are below the new Nyquist-frequency, afterwards down-sampling (with low-pass filtering)

- Solution 2: split $g(x)$ into $a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + \dots$, split x into n channels, each low-pass filtered by l_k with a cutoff frequency of $\frac{f_s}{2k}$

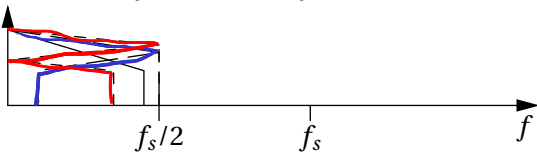
$$y[t] = \underline{a_1x} + \underline{a_2(l_2 * x)^{(2)}} + \underline{a_3(l_3 * x)^{(3)}} + \dots$$



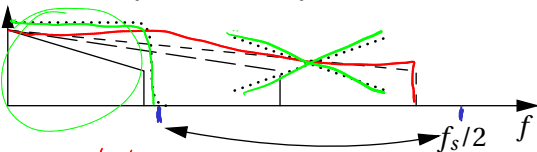
bandwidth extension



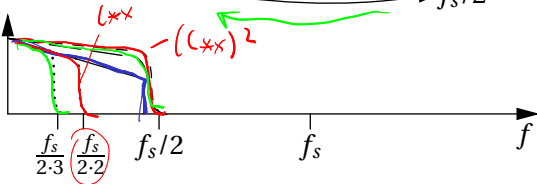
aliasing problem



upsampling method



low-pass method



3 Time-Frequency Processing

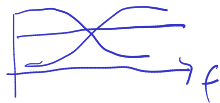
Sinusoidal+residual model:

$$\underline{x[t]} = \sum_k \underline{a_k[t]} \underline{\cos(\varphi_k[t])} + \underline{e[t]}.$$

$a_k[t]$... amplitude of the k -th sinusoid

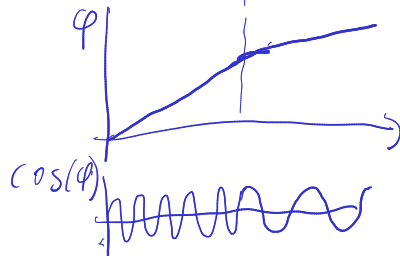
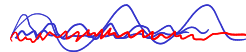
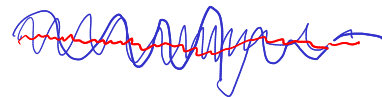
$e[t]$... residual signal

$\varphi_k[t]$... instantaneous phase of the k -th, which cumulates the instantaneous frequency $\omega_k[t]$:



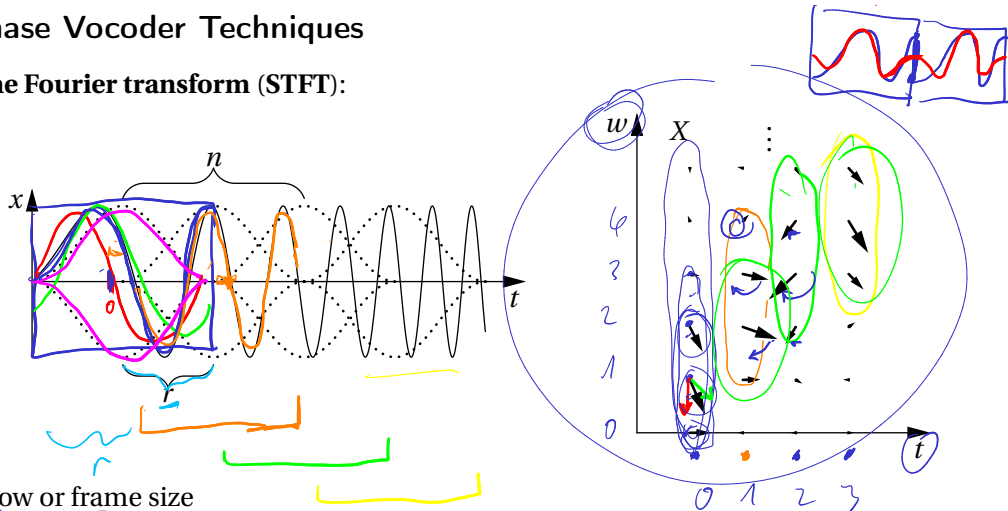
$$\underbrace{\omega t + \varphi}_{\varphi_{abs}}$$

$$\underline{\varphi_k[t]} = \sum_{s=0}^t \underline{\omega_k[s]}.$$



3.1 Phase Vocoder Techniques

Short-time Fourier transform (STFT):



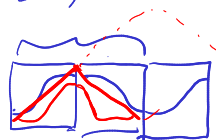
n ... window or frame size

small window \Leftrightarrow bad frequency resolution

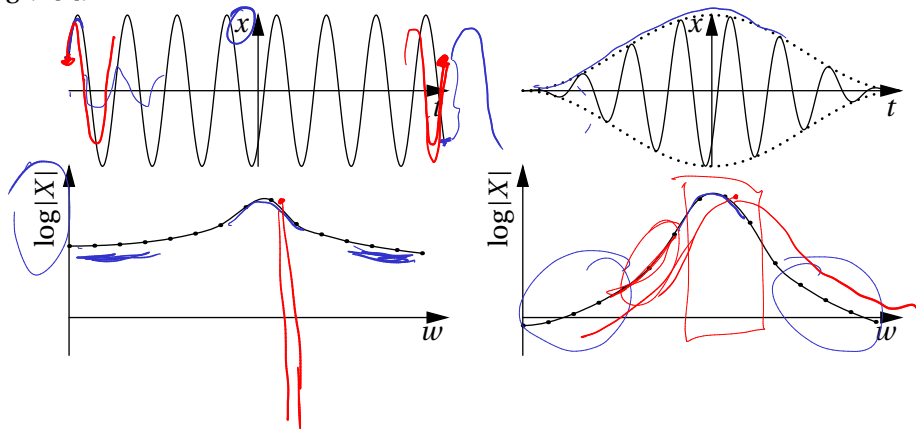
large window \Leftrightarrow bad time resolution and higher latency

r ... hop size (distance between the centers of consecutive windows)

overlap: $1 - r/n$



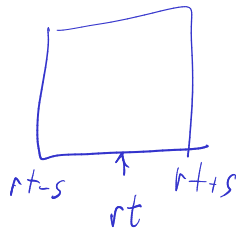
Windowing ($h[t]$):



STFT:

$$X[t, w] = \sum_{s=-n/2}^{n/2-1} h[s] x[rt+s] e^{-i2\pi ws/n}$$

not w, int (pointing to w)
f (pointing to t)



w ... frequency bands/bins (integer, as opposed to ω)

t ... coarser time-resolution ($t+1$ means time shift of r)

$X[t, w] = |X[t, w]| e^{i\varphi[t, w]}$... amplitude $|X[t, w]|$, phase $\varphi[t, w]$

Re-synthesis (inverse Fourier-transform, overlap-add method):

$$x[t] = \sum_{s: -\frac{n}{2} \leq t-rs < \frac{n}{2}} h_s[t-rs] \sum_w X[s, w] e^{i2\pi w(t-rs)}$$

fft
ifft

h_s ... synthesis window:

reverses analysis window h

in overlap regions the sum of the resulting windows has to be 1 (summing condition):

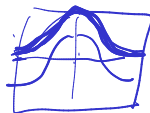
$$\sum_s h[t-rs] h_s[t-rs] = 1$$



Example: Hann window

$$h[t] = \frac{A}{2}(1 + \cos 2\pi t/n), \text{ hop size } r = n/4$$

$$h_s = h \Rightarrow \sum_s (h[t - rs])^2 = 1$$



$$\begin{aligned} & h^2[t] + h^2[t - n/4] + h^2[t - n/2] + h^2[t - 3n/4] \\ &= \frac{A^2}{4}(1 + \cos 2\pi t/n)^2 + \frac{A^2}{4}(1 + \cos 2\pi(t/n - 1/2))^2 + \dots + \frac{A^2}{4}(1 + \cos 2\pi(t/n - 3/4))^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{A^2}{4}(1 + \cos)^2 + \frac{A^2}{4}(1 - \sin)^2 + \frac{A^2}{4}(1 - \cos)^2 + \frac{A^2}{4}(1 + \sin)^2 \\ &= \frac{A^2}{4}(1 + 2\cos + \cos^2 + 1 - 2\sin + \sin^2 + 1 - 2\cos + \cos^2 + 1 + 2\sin + \sin^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{A^2}{4}(4 + 2(\cos^2 + \sin^2)) = \frac{3A^2}{2} \cdot \frac{A=\sqrt{2/3}}{1} = 1$$

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Phase vocoder = STFT + modifications + inverse STFT

Time stretching: use a different hop size r_s for synthesis

Problem: phases do not match

Solution: **phase unwrapping:**

$\varphi[t, w]$... instantaneous phase of $X[t, w]$, so that

$$\underline{X[t, w]} = \underline{A[t, w]} e^{i \underline{\varphi[t, w]}}$$

If frequency would be exactly w , then the projected phase of $X[t+1, w]$ is

$$\underline{\varphi_p[t+1, w]} = \underline{\varphi[t, w]} + \underline{2\pi w r / n} \stackrel{\text{mod } 2\pi}{=} \underline{\varphi[t+1, w]}$$

$0 \dots 2\pi \cdot w$ $0 \dots 2\pi$

Otherwise: unwrapped phase $\varphi_u[t+1, w]$:

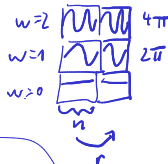
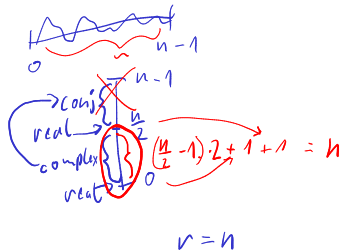
$$\underline{\varphi_u[t+1, w]} = \underline{\varphi[t+1, w]} \stackrel{\text{mod } 2\pi}{}, \quad -\pi \leq \underline{\varphi_u[t+1, w]} - \underline{\varphi_p[t+1, w]} \leq \pi$$

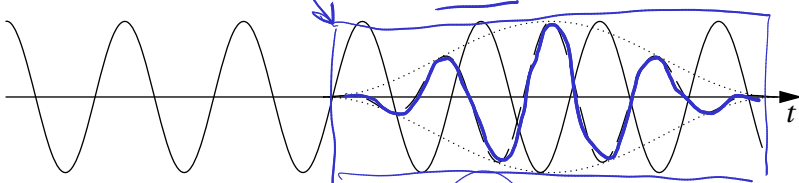
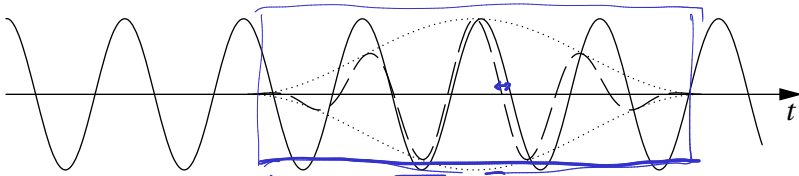
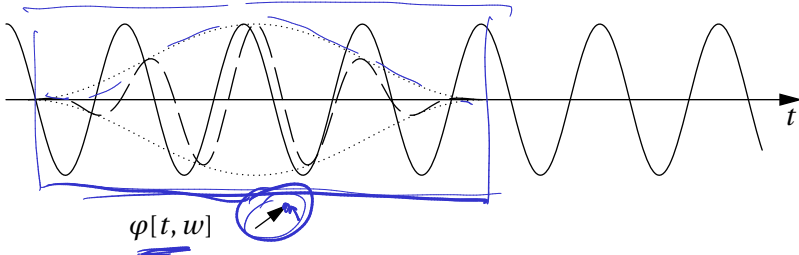
This can be achieved by

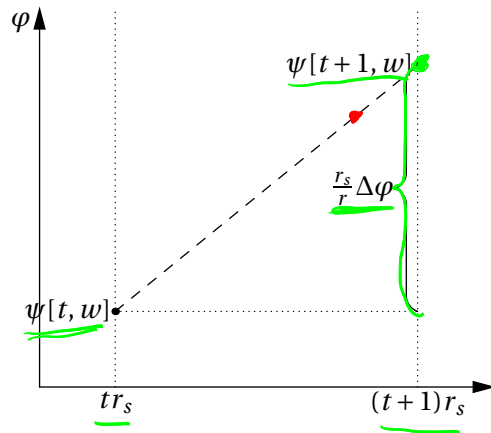
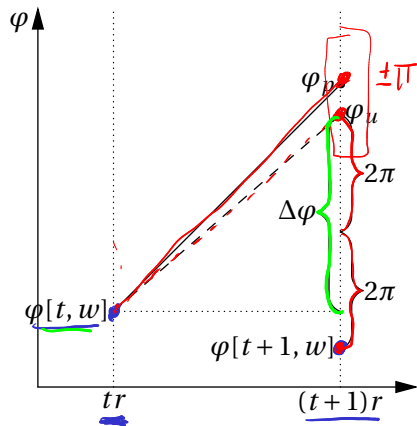
$$\underline{\varphi_u[t+1, w]} = \underline{\varphi[t+1, w]} + \text{round}((\underline{\varphi_p[t+1, w]} - \underline{\varphi[t+1, w]}) / \underline{2\pi}) \cdot \underline{2\pi}$$

Total phase rotation between t and $t+1$ in frequency bin w :

$$\underline{\Delta \varphi[t+1, w]} = \underline{\varphi_u[t+1, w]} - \underline{\varphi[t, w]}$$







Time stretching, finally:



$$\underline{Y[t, w]} = \sum_{s=-n/2}^{n/2-1} h[s] y[r_s t + s] e^{-i2\pi w s/n} = \underline{A[t, w]} \underline{e^{i\psi[t, w]}}$$

$$\underline{\psi[t+1, w]} = \underline{\psi[t, w]} + \left(\frac{r_s}{r} \right) \underline{\Delta\varphi[t+1, w]}$$

Pitch shifting by time stretching ($r_s = \alpha r$): resampling after time stretching $\underline{y[t]} = \underline{x[\alpha t]}$

Problem: Frequency transients and consonants are smeared in time.

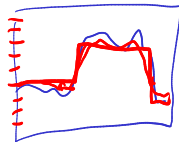
Solution: Separate stable from transient components (stable = unchanging phase change):

$$\underline{\varphi[t, w]} - \underline{\varphi[t-1, w]} \approx \underline{\varphi[t-1, w]} - \underline{\varphi[t-2, w]} \mod 2\pi$$

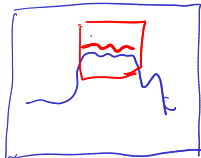
More precisely:

$$|\underline{\varphi[t, w]} - 2\underline{\varphi[t-1, w]} + \underline{\varphi[t-2, w]}| < \underline{d} \mod 2\pi$$

where " $\underline{|x|} < \underline{d} \mod 2\pi$ " means: the smallest $\underline{|x + k \cdot 2\pi|}$ is smaller than \underline{d} .



$$\left| \overset{x}{1.4\pi} - 1.2\pi \right| = 0.1\pi < d$$



Stable frequency bins: time stretching

Transient bins: drop or use to construct residual signal

Or: do not stretch parts without stable bins

Mutation (morphing, cross-synthesis, vocoder effect): Use phase of X_1 and magnitude of X_2 :

$$Y[t, w] = \frac{X_1[t, w]}{|X_1[t, w]|} |X_2[t, w]|$$

Robotization: Set all phases to zero in each frame and each bin.

Whisperization: randomize the phase

Denoising: attenuate frequency bins with low magnitude, keep high magnitudes unchanged.

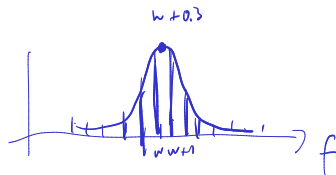
$$Y[t, w] = X[t, w] \frac{|X[t, w]|}{|X[t, w]| + c_w}$$

$c_w < 1$

c_w ... controls amount and level of attenuation.

3.2 Peak Based Techniques

- Phase vocoder: represent frequency by frequency bin and phase (bin-number only exact up to f_s/N)
- Peak based: represent frequency by exact peak



Peak detection: fit a parabola to the maximum and the two neighboring bins (in logarithmic representation of the magnitudes)

$$a_w = 10 \log_{10} |X[t, w_0 + w]|_2^2 \quad (w_0 \dots \text{bin of local maximum})$$

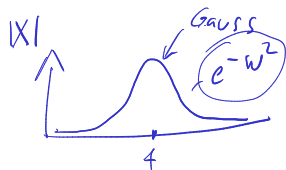
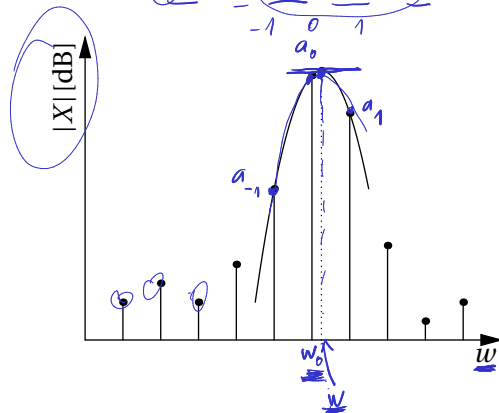
Parabola $p(w) = \alpha w^2 + \beta w + \gamma$ so that $p(w) = a_w$ for $w \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha - \beta + \gamma = a_{-1}, \gamma = a_0, \alpha + \beta + \gamma = a_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{2}(a_1 - 2a_0 + a_{-1}), \beta = \frac{1}{2}(a_1 - a_{-1})$$

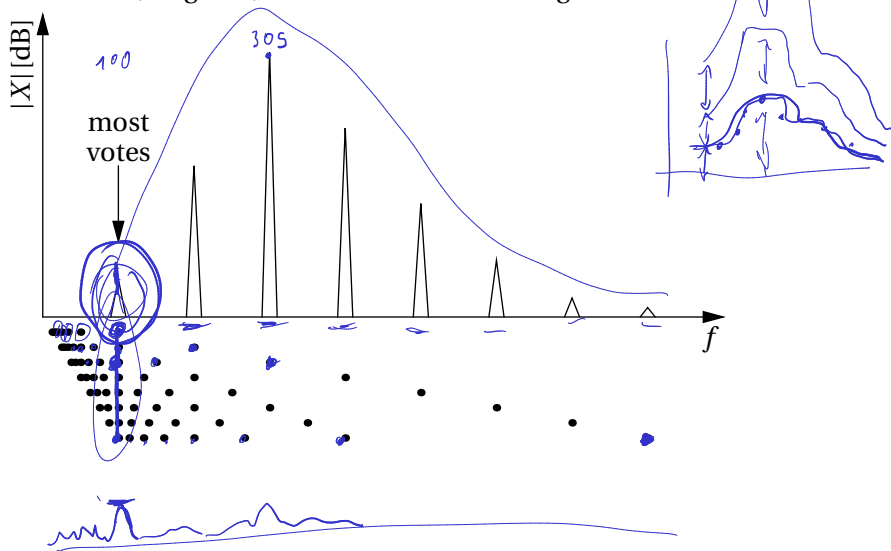
Peak of $p(w)$ where $p'(w) = 0 \Rightarrow 2\alpha w + \beta = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$w = -\frac{\beta}{2\alpha} = \frac{a_{-1} - a_1}{2(a_{-1} - 2a_0 + a_1)}.$$

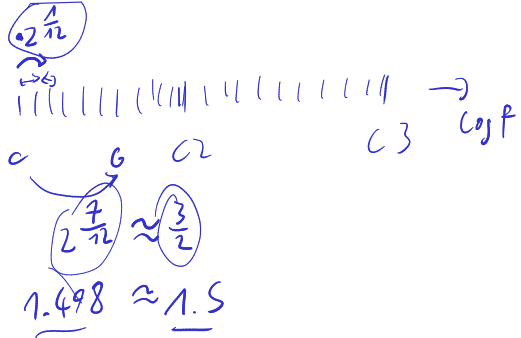
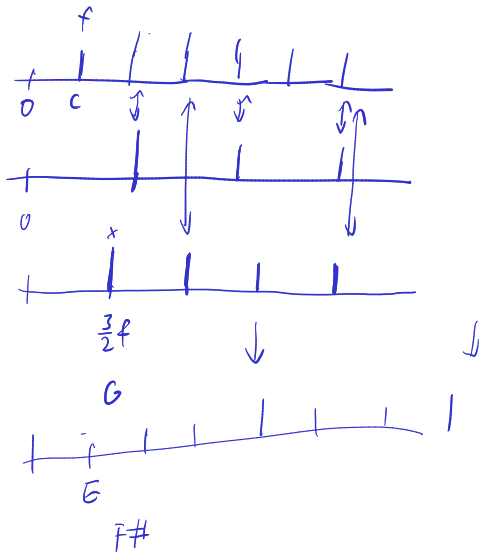


Pitch detection: find the fundamental frequency (integer multiples: harmonics/partial)

Heuristics: Each peak casts a (weighted) vote to itself and its integer fractions:



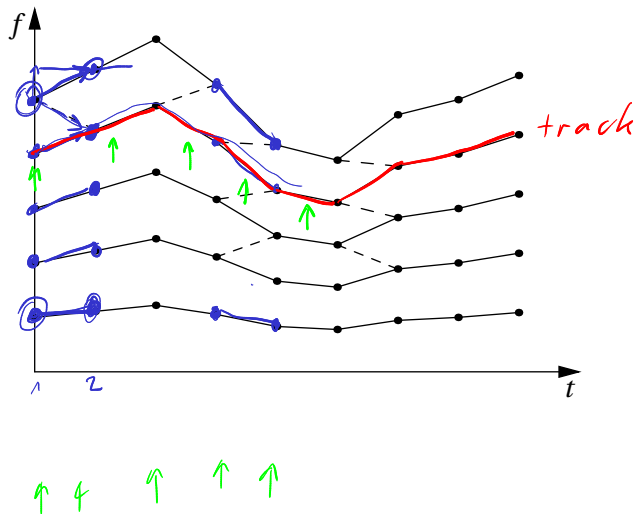
$$2^{\frac{1}{12}}$$



Peak continuation: associate corresponding peaks of subsequent frames

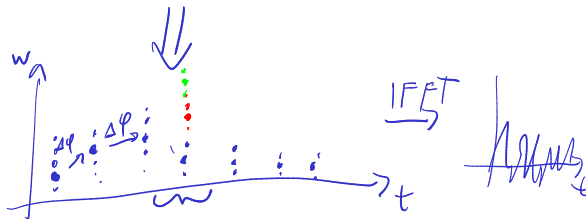
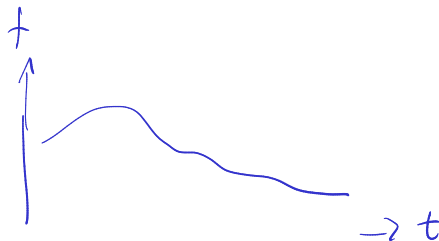
Simple way: choose peak that is closest in frequency (may be wrong in case of transients)

Better way: “guides” – updated to match peaks and fundamental frequency – can be created, killed, turned on/off temporarily



Convert *tracks* representation back to sound (**synthesis**):

- oscillator
- inverse Fourier transform



Oscillator (analog, differential equation):

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}$$

$$x''(t) = -ax(t)$$



Discretization:

$$x''(t) \approx x[t+1] - 2x[t] + x[t-1]$$

⇒ (digital resonator):

$$x[t+1] - 2x[t] + x[t-1] = -ax[t]$$

$$x[t+1] = (2-a)x[t] - x[t-1] =: (r * x)[t+1]$$

Transfer function:

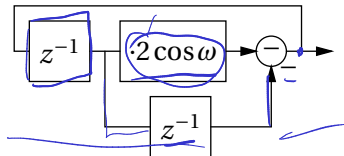
$$R(z) = \frac{1}{1 - (2-a)z^{-1} + z^{-2}} = 0$$

Pole of $R(z)$ is resonance frequency (denominator = 0):

$$(2-a)z^{-1} = 1 + z^{-2} \quad | z$$

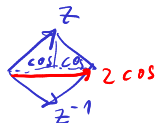
$$(2-a) = z + z^{-1} = 2 \cos \omega$$

Initialize by calculating $x[0]$ and $x[1]$ directly



$$x[t+1] - x[t-1]$$

$$+ \underbrace{x[t+1] - x[t]}_{x[t+1] - 2x[t] + x[t-1]}$$



Problem: changes in oscillation energy during frequency changes:

$$E[t] = \underbrace{ax[t]x[t-1]}_{\text{pot. en.} \propto x^2} + \underbrace{(x[t] - x[t-1])^2}_{\text{kin. en.} \propto v^2}$$



$$\begin{aligned} E[t+1] &= ax[t+1]x[t] + (x[t+1] - x[t])^2 \\ &= a((2-a)x[t] - x[t-1])x[t] + ((2-a)x[t] - x[t-1] - x[t])^2 \\ &= a(2-a)x[t]^2 - ax[t]x[t-1] + (x[t] - x[t-1] - ax[t])^2 \\ &= a(2-a)x[t]^2 - ax[t]x[t-1] + (x[t] - x[t-1])^2 - 2ax[t](x[t] - x[t-1]) + a^2x[t]^2 \\ &= a(2-a)x[t]^2 - ax[t]x[t-1] + (x[t] - x[t-1])^2 - a(2-a)x[t]^2 + 2ax[t]x[t-1] \\ &= \underline{ax[t]x[t-1]} + \underline{(x[t] - x[t-1])^2} = E[t]. \end{aligned}$$

Frequency change ($a \rightarrow a_2$):

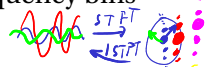


- at signal maximum: $E[t] \approx \underline{ax[t]x[t-1]} \approx \underline{ax[t]^2} \Rightarrow$ changed energy ($\cdot a_2/a$), same amplitude
- at zero crossing: $E[t] \approx \underline{(x[t] - x[t-1])^2} \Rightarrow$ same energy, changed amplitude

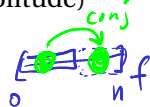
This has to be compensated or, better, the signal has to be initialized again.



• **Synthesis by inverse Fourier transform:** add spectral pattern of sinusoid to frequency bins
 Determine coefficients by forward transform of pure sine wave. Redundancies:



- amplitudes adjusted by multiplying coefficients (consider only normed amplitude)
- phase adjusted by multiplication with $e^{i\varphi}$ (consider only normed phase)
- all coefficients have same phase (ignore phases)
- coefficients for two frequencies with an integer bin-distance are the same, just shifted by a certain number of bins (consider only frequencies between bin 0 and 1)
- coefficients far from the center frequency are negligibly small (consider only small number of bins)



$$\underline{C_D}[w] = \sum_{s=-n/2}^{n/2-1} \underline{h[s]} e^{i2\pi f s} e^{-i2\pi (w s / n)} = \sum_{s=-n/2}^{n/2-1} h[s] e^{-i2\pi (w - n f) s / n},$$

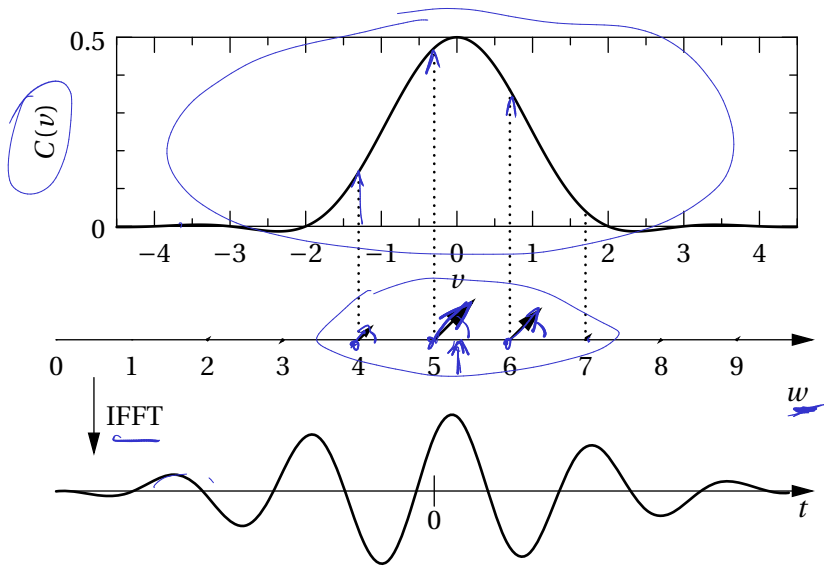


$w = -b, \dots, b$, $b \dots$ approximation bandwidth, $n f \in [0, 1)$, or better $n f \in [-0.5, 0.5)$

Combine w and f into $\underline{v} = w - n f \Rightarrow$ zero-padded Fourier transform of window $h[s]$

$$\underline{C(v)} = \sum_{s=-n/2}^{n/2-1} \underline{h[s]} e^{-i2\pi v s / n}$$





Spectral motif $C(v)$ for Hann window, used for IFFT synthesis ($nf = 5.3$, $\varphi = \pi/4$)

Copy/add $AC(w - nf)e^{i\varphi}$ into bin w .

Performance comparison:

- one sinusoid:
 - Resonator: $O(1)$ operations per sample
 - inverse FFT: $O(n \log n)$ per frame $\Rightarrow O(\log n)/(1 - \text{overlap})$ per sample
- k sinusoids:
 - Resonator: $O(k)$
 - inverse FFT: $O(bk/n) + O(\log n)/(1 - \text{overlap})$

Problem with overlap-add IFFT synthesis: change in frequency \Rightarrow interferences in overlaps
Possible solution: no overlap:

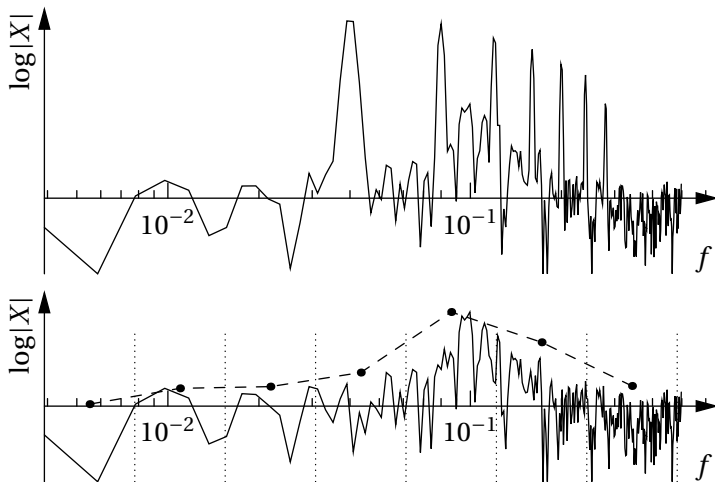
- inverse window $h_s[s] = h[s]^{-1}$
- truncate border (approximation errors mostly near border)
- phases must be exact (avoid phase jumps at border)

Residual signal: subtract re-synthesized signal from the original signal

- in time domain: shorter frames (time resolution more important)
- in frequency domain: no additional FFT needed

Residual signal: stochastic signal (only spectral shape important, no phase information)

Curve fitting on the magnitude spectrum (straight-line segment approximation):

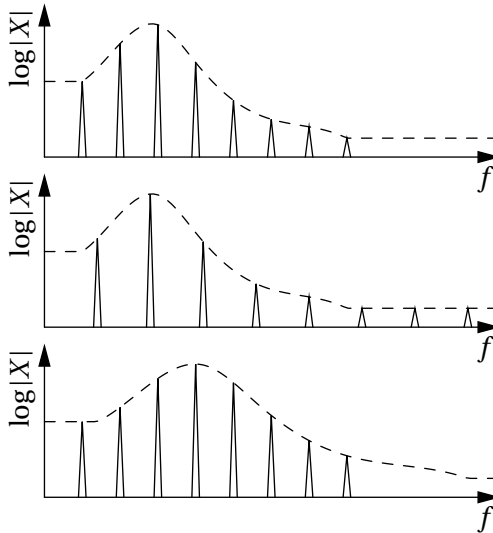


Synthesis of the residual signal:

- convolution of white noise with impulse response of the magnitude spectrum, or
- fill each frequency bin with a complex value: magnitude from the measured magnitude spectrum, random phase.

Applications of peak based methods

- filter with arbitrary resolution
- **Pitch shifting, timbre preservation**



- **Spectral shape shift**

- **Time stretching** (same hop-size but repeat/drop frames)
avoid smoothing of attack transients: analysis and synthesis frame rates can be set equal for a short time.
- **Pitch correction** (Auto-Tune):
 - detect pitch
 - quantify towards nearest of the 12 semitones
 - sinusoids pitch-scaled by the same factor
- **Gender change:** pitch scaling, move spectral shape along with the pitch for female voice
- **Hoarseness:** increase magnitude of the residual signal

3.3 Linear Predictive Coding

Linear predictive coding (LPC):

Prediction filter p : $x[t] \approx (p * x)[t]$

Residual $e[t] = x[t] - (p * x)[t]$

$$(p * x)[t] = p[1]x[t-1] + p[2]x[t-2] + \dots + p[m]x[t-m]$$

Re-synthesize: $x[t] = (p * x)[t] + e[t]$

If residual $e[t]$ not known exactly ($\tilde{e}[t]$):

$$y[t] = (p * y)[t] + \tilde{e}[t]$$

(all-pole IIR filter)

How to find optimum filter coefficients $p[k]$?

Minimize:

$$E := \sum_t e^2[t] = \sum_t (x[t] - p[1]x[t-1] - p[2]x[t-2] - \dots - p[m]x[t-m])^2$$

Deriving this with respect to all $p[k]$, setting zero:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = \frac{dE}{dp[k]} &= \sum_t 2e[t] \frac{de[t]}{dp[k]} = 2 \sum_t e[t] x[t-k] = 2 \sum_t \left(x[t] - \sum_j p[j] x[t-j] \right) x[t-k] \\ &\Leftrightarrow \sum_j p[j] \sum_t x[t-j] x[t-k] = \sum_t x[t] x[t-k] \end{aligned}$$

Involves the autocorrelation of x . More stable with windowing:

$$r_{xx}[s] := \sum_t w[t] x[t] w[t-s] x[t-s]$$

\Rightarrow

$$\sum_j p[j] r_{xx}[k-j] = r_{xx}[k],$$

\Rightarrow equation system with Toeplitz matrix (constant diagonals $M_{k,k-i} = r_{xx}[k - (k-i)] = r_{xx}[i]$)

Levinson-Durbin recursion:

$T^{(n)}$... upper left $n \times n$ -sub-matrix of $M_{k,j} = r_{xx}[k-j]$

$p^{(n)}$... solution vector of $T^{(n)} p^{(n)} = y^{(n)}$ where $y^{(n)} = r_{xx}[1 \dots n]$



$$b = \begin{pmatrix} r_{xx}[1] \\ \vdots \\ r_{xx}[n] \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$T^{(n+1)} \begin{pmatrix} p^{(n)} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y^{(n)} \\ \epsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

ϵ should be $r_{xx}[n+1]$

Help vector $b^{(n)}$ which satisfies $T^{(n)} b^{(n)} = (0, \dots, 0, 1)$

$$T^{(n+1)} p^{(n+1)} = T^{(n+1)} \left(\begin{pmatrix} p^{(n)} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + (r_{xx}[n+1] - \epsilon) b^{(n+1)} \right) = y^{(n+1)} \quad (2)$$

Find $b^{(n)}$: find also $f^{(n)}$ satisfying $T^{(n)} f^{(n)} = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$

$$T^{(n+1)} \begin{pmatrix} f^{(n)} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_f \end{pmatrix}, \quad T^{(n+1)} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_b \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Find α and β so that

$$T^{(n+1)} f^{(n+1)} = T^{(n+1)} \left(\alpha \begin{pmatrix} f^{(n)} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} \right) = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_f \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_b \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4)$$

which can be found by solving

$$\alpha + \beta \epsilon_b = 1, \quad \alpha \epsilon_f + \beta = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{1 - \epsilon_b \epsilon_f}, \quad \beta = -\epsilon_f \alpha \quad (5)$$

Same for $b^{(n+1)}$.

For symmetric Toeplitz matrices: b is just f reversed, and $\epsilon_f = \epsilon_b$.

\Rightarrow Recursion from $n+1=1$ to m (length of filter p)

Complexity: $O(m^2)$ (normal equation solving: $O(m^3)$)

Example.

$$x = (1, 2, 1, -1, -2, -1)$$

$$r_{xx}[0] = 1^2 + 2^2 + \dots, r_{xx}[1] = 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 1 + \dots, \quad r_{xx} = (12, 7, -2, -6, -4, -1)$$

To solve for $m = 3$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 12 & 7 & -2 \\ 7 & 12 & 7 \\ -2 & 7 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p[1] \\ p[2] \\ p[3] \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Iteration $n = 0$

$$p^{(1)} = (7/12) = \left(\frac{7}{12}\right), \quad f^{(1)} = b^{(1)} = \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)$$

Iteration $n = 1$

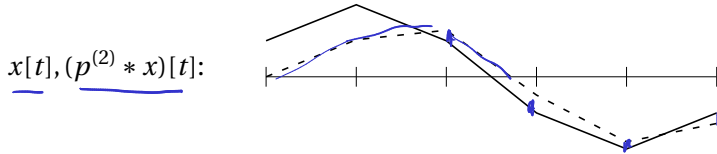
$$\epsilon_f = \epsilon_b = \frac{1}{12} \cdot 7 = \frac{7}{12} \quad \Leftarrow (3)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{7}{12} \cdot \frac{7}{12}} = \frac{144}{95}, \quad \beta = -\frac{7}{12} \cdot \frac{144}{95} = -\frac{84}{95} \quad \Leftarrow (5)$$

$$f^{(2)} = \frac{144}{95} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{12} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{84}{95} \\ \frac{1}{12} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{12} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{12}{95} \\ -\frac{7}{95} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \cancel{b^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{7}{95} \\ \frac{12}{95} \end{pmatrix}} \quad \Leftarrow (4)$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{7}{12} \cdot 7 = \frac{49}{12} \quad \Leftarrow (1)$$

$$\underline{p^{(2)}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{7}{12} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \left(-2 - \frac{49}{12}\right) \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{7}{95} \\ \frac{12}{95} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{98}{95} \\ -\frac{73}{95} \end{pmatrix} \quad \Leftarrow (2)$$



Iteration $n = 2$

$$\epsilon_f = \epsilon_b = \frac{12}{95} \cdot (-2) + \left(-\frac{7}{95}\right) \cdot 7 = -\frac{73}{95} \quad \Leftarrow (3)$$

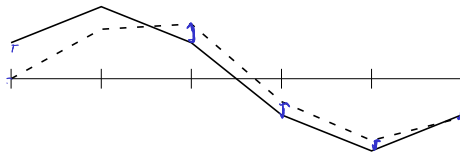
$$\alpha = \frac{1}{1 - \left(-\frac{73}{95}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{73}{95}\right)} = \frac{9025}{3696}, \quad \beta = -\left(-\frac{73}{95}\right) \cdot \frac{9025}{3696} = \frac{6935}{3696} \quad \Leftarrow (5)$$

$$f^{(3)} = \frac{9025}{3696} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{12}{95} \\ -\frac{7}{95} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{6935}{3696} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{7}{95} \\ \frac{12}{95} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{95}{308} \\ -\frac{7}{22} \\ \frac{73}{308} \end{pmatrix}, \quad b^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{73}{308} \\ -\frac{7}{22} \\ \frac{95}{308} \end{pmatrix} \quad \Leftarrow (4)$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{98}{95} \cdot (-2) + \left(-\frac{73}{95}\right) \cdot 7 = \left(-\frac{707}{95}\right) \quad \Leftarrow (1)$$

$$p^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{98}{95} \\ -\frac{73}{95} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \left(-6 - \left(-\frac{707}{95}\right)\right) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{73}{308} \\ -\frac{7}{22} \\ \frac{95}{308} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{423}{308} \\ -\frac{27}{22} \\ \frac{137}{308} \end{pmatrix} \quad \Leftarrow (2)$$

$$x[t], (p^{(3)} * x)[t]:$$



Two possibilities to apply the predictor p :



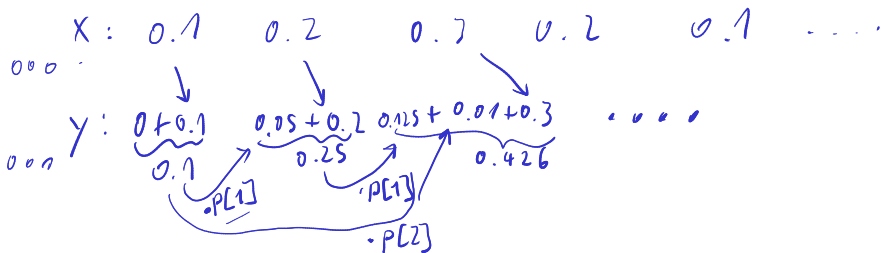
- FIR filter $\underline{p} * x$
- recursive IIR filter $\underline{p}^{(r)} * x$:

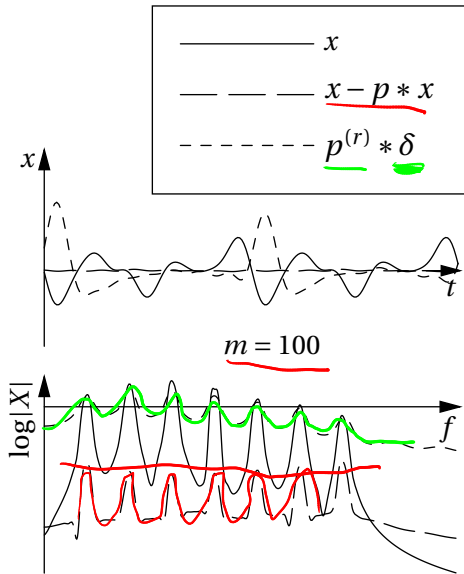
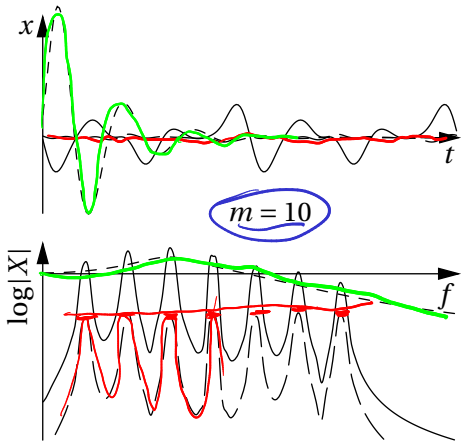
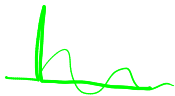
$$\underline{y}[t] = (\underline{p}^{(r)} * x)[t] := \underline{x}[t] + (\underline{p} * y)[t] = \underline{x}[t] + \underline{p_1 y[t-1]} + \dots + \underline{p_m y[t-m]}$$

x ... "excitation" of $p^{(r)}$

Excited with the prediction residual \Rightarrow original signal is reconstructed:

$$\underline{y} = \underline{p}^{(r)} * (\underline{x} - \underline{p} * \underline{x}) = \underline{x} - \underline{p} * \underline{x} + \underline{p} * \underline{y} \Rightarrow \underline{y} - \underline{p} * \underline{y} = \underline{x} - \underline{p} * \underline{x} \Rightarrow \underline{y} = \underline{x}$$



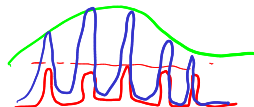


Residual is “whitened” (peaks at same level)
 Predictor represents spectral shape ($p^{(r)} * \delta$)

Sound mutation:

voice keyboard

$$y = \underline{p_2^{(r)}} * (\underline{x_1 - p_1 * x_1}).$$



LPC-method widely used in speech analysis, synthesis and compression.

3.4 Cepstrum

Cepstrum (anagram of spectrum): smoothing of the magnitude spectrum by a Fourier method
real cepstrum:

$$c[t, s] := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{w=-n/2}^{n/2-1} \log |X[t, w]| e^{i2\pi ws/n}$$

$s \dots$ "quefrequency"

Low-pass filtering in the s -domain:

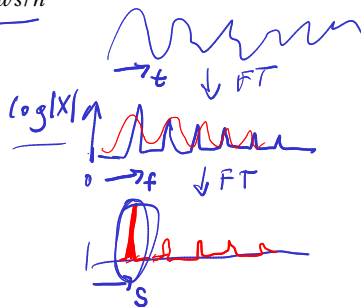
$$l[s] = \begin{cases} 1 & -s_c \leq s < s_c \\ 0 & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$

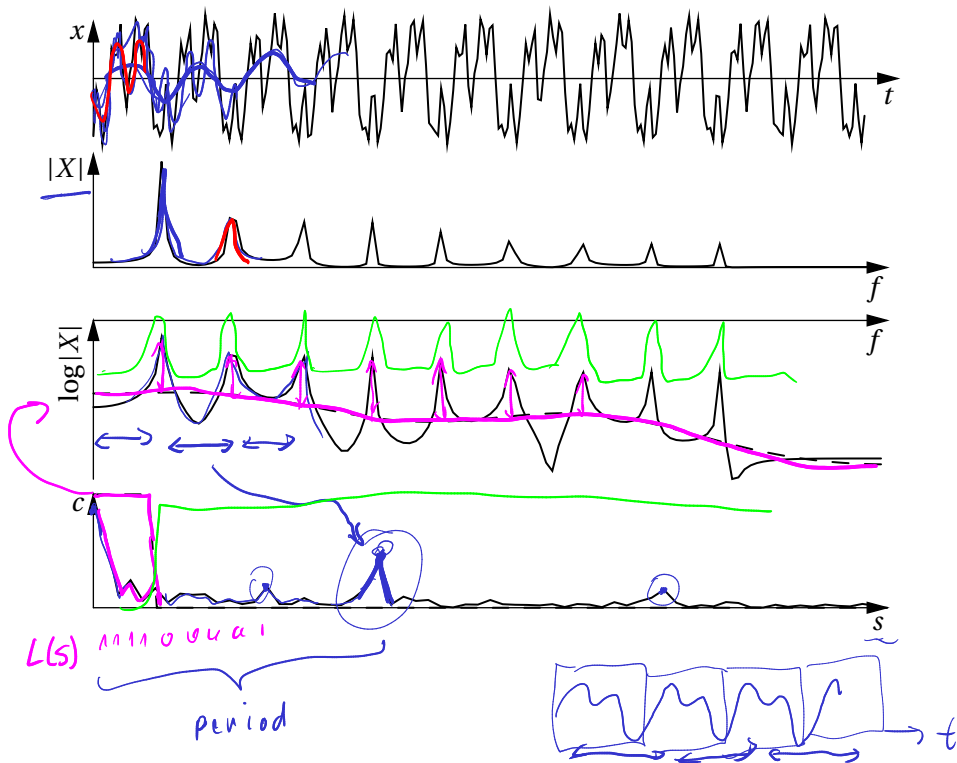
s_c \dots cutoff quefrequency

Forward Fourier transform \Rightarrow smoothed spectrum in the logarithmic domain (dB):

$$C_l[t, w] = \sum_{s=-n/2}^{n/2-1} c[t, s] l[s] e^{-i2\pi ws/n}$$

$$X \star X = F^{-1} (F(x) \odot \overline{F(x)}) = F^{-1} (|F(x)|^2)$$





High-pass window $h[s] = 1 - l[s] \Rightarrow$ complementary source envelope

$$\log |X[t, w]| = C_l[t, w] + C_h[t, w]$$

$$X[t, w] = \exp(C_l[t, w]) \cdot \exp(C_h[t, w]) e^{i\varphi[t, w]}$$

Source-filter separation:

- $\exp(C_l[t, w])$... filter or spectral envelope
- $\exp(C_h[t, w]) e^{i\varphi[t, w]}$... source signal

Sound mutation (again):

$$\begin{aligned} Y[t, w] &= \exp(C_l^{(1)}[t, w]) \exp(C_h^{(2)}[t, w]) e^{i\varphi^{(2)}[t, w]} \\ &= X^{(2)}[t, w] \exp(-C_l^{(2)}[t, w]) \exp(C_l^{(1)}[t, w]) \end{aligned}$$

$$X^{(2)} \cdot e^{-C_l}$$

$$C = C_l + C_h$$

$$e^C = e^{C_l} \cdot e^{C_h}$$

$$e^{C_h} = \frac{e^C}{e^{C_l}} = e^C e^{-C_l}$$

Formant changing:

$$\begin{aligned} Y[t, w] &= X[t, w] \exp(-C_l[t, w]) \exp(C_l[t, w/k]) \\ &= X[t, w] \exp(C_l[t, w/k] - C_l[t, w]) \end{aligned}$$

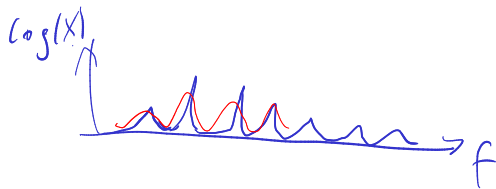
k ... scale factor.

Similar: pitch shifting with timbre preservation

Pitch detection by cepstrum:

Regular intervals of harmonics \Rightarrow peak at period of fundamental frequency in s-domain

Also peaks for integer multiples \Rightarrow choose leftmost peak



4 Time-Domain Methods

Time stretching in the time domain: shifting overlapping short segments

Overlapping segments:

$$\underline{x_k[t]} = \underline{x[kr + t]} \quad \text{for } t = 0, \dots, n-1$$

k ... index of the segment

r ... hop-size

n ... segment length

Change hop-size to r' \Rightarrow phase mismatches \Rightarrow amplitude fluctuations

Solution: adjust by additional shift s_k :

$$y[t] = \sum_k \underline{x_k[t - kr' - s_k]} \underline{w_k[t - kr' - s_k]}$$

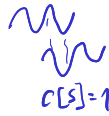
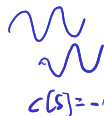
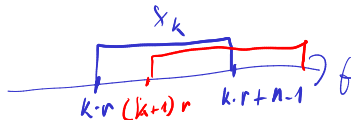
w_k ... fade-in/fade-out window

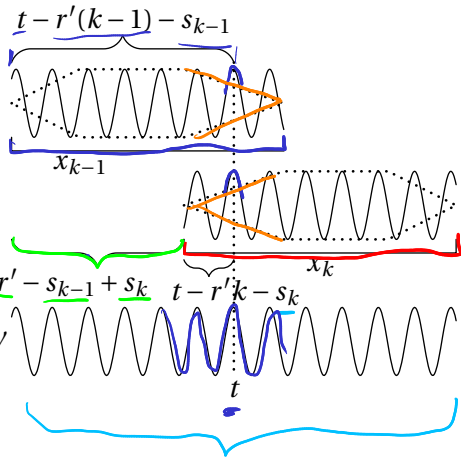
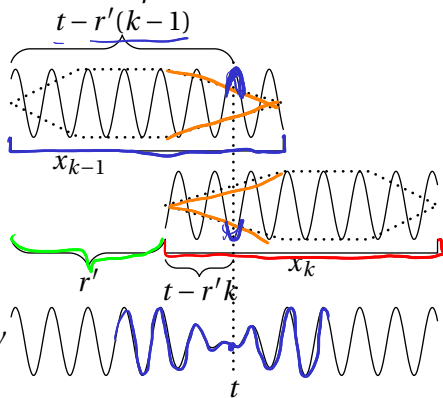
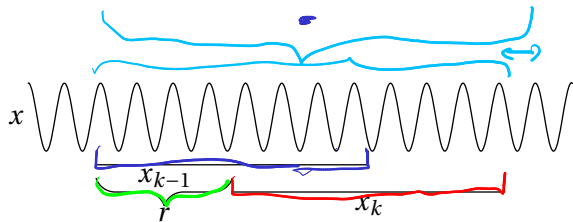
Best fitting shifts s_k by cross-correlation:

$$\underline{c[s]} = \sum_t \underline{x_{k-1}[t + r' - s_{k-1}]} \underline{x_k[t - s]} \quad s_k = \arg \max_s \underline{c[s]}$$

... **SOLA** (synchronous overlap-add)

More extreme scaling: repeat/omit segments (source segment $k(l)$ for destination segment l)

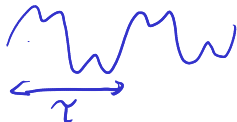




If pitch is known: **PSOLA** (pitch-synchronous overlap-add)

$r' - r + s_k - s_{k-1}$ must be a multiple of the pitch period τ :

$$s_k = \text{round} \left(\frac{r' - r - s_{k-1}}{\tau} \right) \tau - (r' - r) + s_{k-1}$$



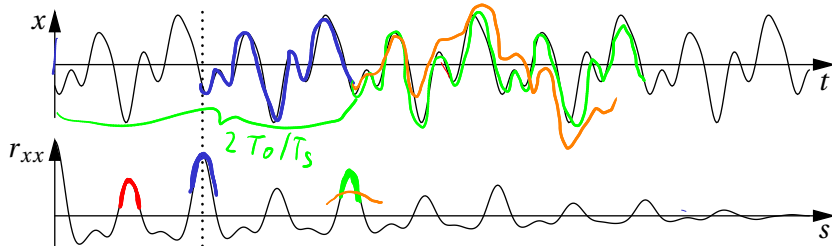
Pitch detection by auto-correlation:

$r_{xx}[s]$: peak at a lag of $s = T_0/T_s$

T_0 ... period of the signal ($T_0 = 1/f_0$)

T_s ... sampling interval ($T_s = 1/f_s$)

$$\Rightarrow s = f_s / f_0.$$



partial amplitudes $(0.4, 0.8, 0.4, 0.6, 0.1, 0.2, 0.1) \Rightarrow$ false peak at $0.5 \cdot T_0/T_s$ (strong even partials)

Problems:

- lag is integer \Rightarrow detected fundamental frequencies must not be too high
- fundamental frequency is not the only peak:
 - integer multiples (T_s -periodic \Rightarrow also kT_s -periodic)
 - integer fractions (harmonics have smaller periods)

Linear interpolation (linear panning): “hole” in the center

Reason: $\sqrt{E(\underline{g}x)} = \sqrt{\underline{g}^2 E(x)} = \underline{g} \sqrt{E(x)}$, but

$$\sqrt{E(\underline{g}_L x) + E(\underline{g}_R x)} = \sqrt{\underline{g}_L^2 E(x) + \underline{g}_R^2 E(x)} = \sqrt{\underline{g}_L^2 + \underline{g}_R^2} \sqrt{E(x)}$$

Better:

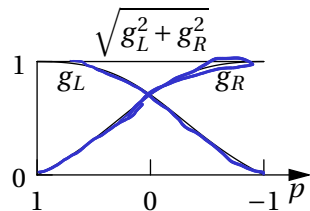
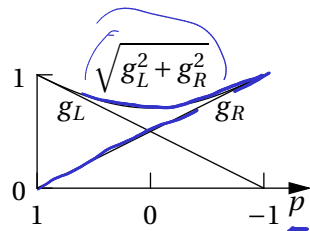
$$\underline{g}_L = \frac{1+p}{\sqrt{2(1+p^2)}}, \quad \underline{g}_R = \frac{1-p}{\sqrt{2(1+p^2)}}$$

⇒ “overall gain” $\sqrt{g_L^2 + g_R^2} = 1$

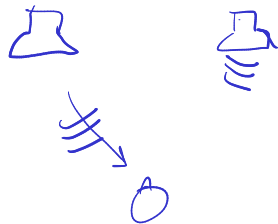
$$\sqrt{g_L^2 + g_R^2} = \sqrt{\frac{(1+p)^2 + (1-p)^2}{2(1+p^2)}} = \sqrt{\frac{1+2p+p^2+1-2p+p^2}{2(1+p^2)}} = \sqrt{\frac{2+2p^2}{2(1+p^2)}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(1+p^2)}{2(1+p^2)}} = 1$$

True for broadband signals and low frequencies

Higher frequencies: different panning



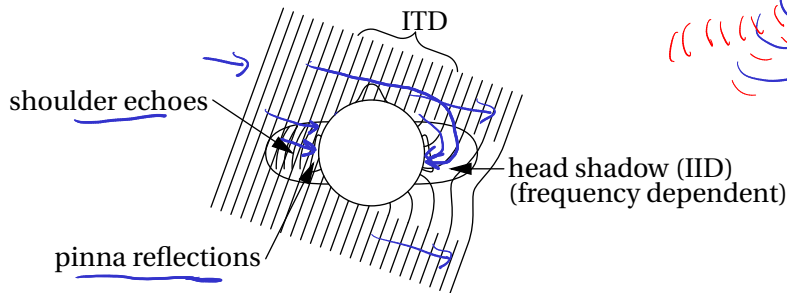
Precedence effect: short delay of up to 1 ms between speakers
⇒ sound appears nearer to speaker that emits sound first
effect strongly depends on the type of sound being played and the frequency



Inter-aural differences (in headphones):

- Inter-aural intensity difference (IID)
basically a panorama effect
depends on the frequency (less diffraction of higher frequencies \Rightarrow more head shadow)
- Inter-aural time difference (ITD)
time delay between the two channels
depends on the frequency (below 1 kHz difference is greater, constant otherwise)

IID and ITD both depend on angle of the sound source

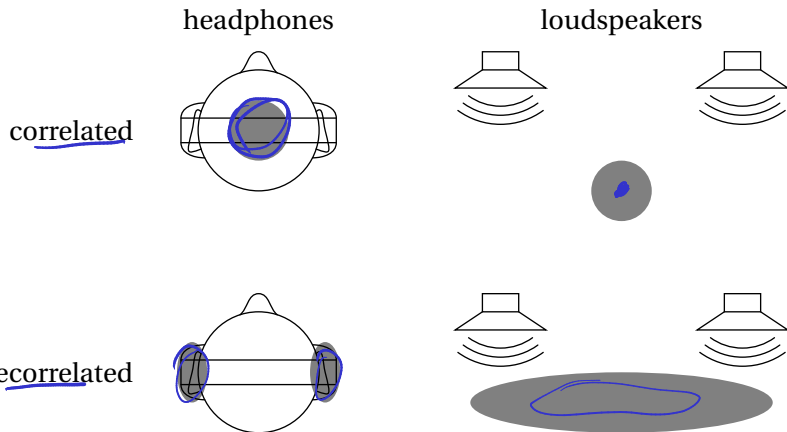


IID + ITD + shoulder echoes + pinna reflections: head related transfer function (HRTF)
measured by artificial dummy heads at different angles
approximated by IIR filters of an order of about 10

or: approximate head by a sphere:

- calculate the IID as a first-order IIR filter
- ITD implemented by delay
- shoulder echoes by single echo (angle-dependent delay)
- pinna reflections: short series of short-time echoes (very short angle-dependent delays)





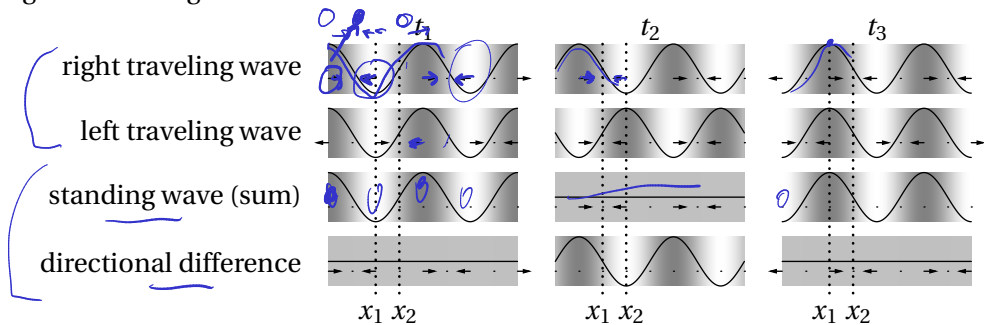
Correlation coefficient:

$$r(\tau) = \frac{\int x_L(t) x_R(t+\tau) dt}{\sqrt{\int x_L^2(t) dt \int x_R^2(t) dt}}$$

Sound externalization: push apparent sound source out of head

Method: **decorrelation:** complex reverberation or convolution with uncorrelated white noise

Traveling and standing waves:



Animation

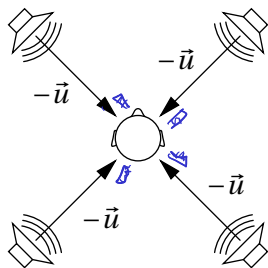
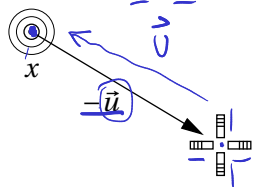
Capture 3D audio: sound field recording

Simple: place microphones and loudspeakers in same directions

Better: Ambisonics

– non-directional sound pressure component W

– three directional components X , Y , and Z



$$W = \text{front} + \text{back} + \text{left} + \text{right} + \text{up} + \text{down}$$

$$X = \text{front} - \text{back}$$

$$Y = \text{left} - \text{right}$$

$$Z = \text{up} - \text{down}$$

$$(W, X, Y, Z) = (\sqrt{2}/2, \vec{u}) \cdot x$$

Loudspeaker at direction \vec{u} :

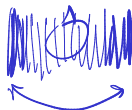
$$\frac{1}{2} (\underline{G_1 W} + \underline{G_2 (X, Y, Z)^T \vec{u}})$$

G_1 , G_2 depend on the theory (there are several), frequency-dependent (filters)

Disadvantage: “sweet spots”

⇒ Higher-order versions of Ambisonics (higher derivatives) ⇒ wider sweet spots

If elevation component is not needed ⇒ ignore Z channel



5.2 Reverberation

Apparent distance of sound from the listener, room size:

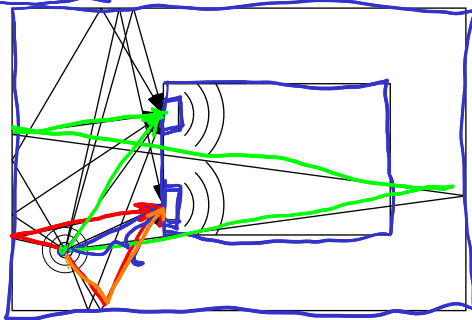
- direct sound
- reflections from walls
- ratio of direct to reverberating sound
 - direct sound loses energy with distance
 - reverberating sound fills room continuously



Direct sound delay T_d , reflection delay T_r \Rightarrow cue for position

Problem: additional reverberation in room of listener

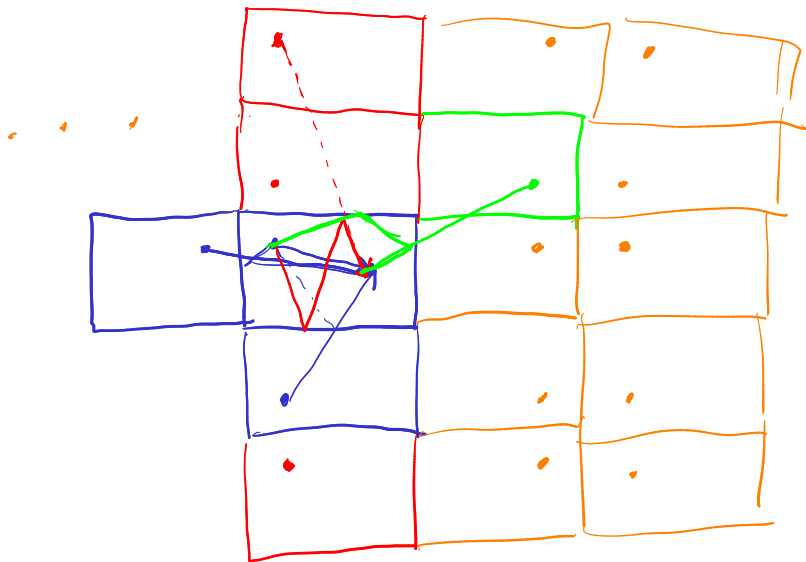
Robust method: room-within-a-room model.

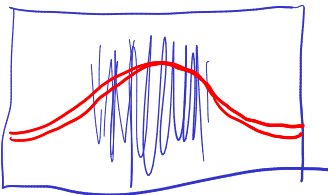
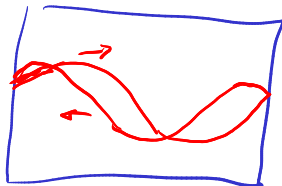
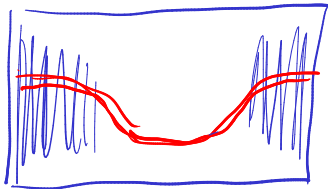
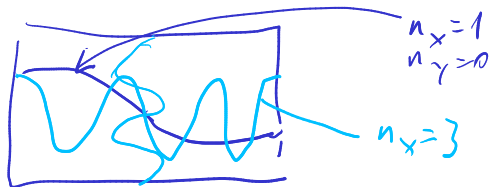
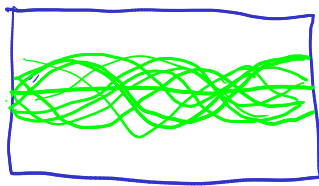


$$\bar{E} \propto \frac{1}{A} \propto \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$\text{gain} \propto \sqrt{\bar{E}} \propto \frac{1}{r}$$

- virtual holes in wall at loudspeaker positions
- delay according to the path length l from source to hole (delay = l/c , c ... speed of sound)
- paths may include reflections of the outer room
- gain set to $1/l$ (l in meters) (reason: spherical sound waves)
- gain limited to 1 to avoid infinite (or too high) gains
- attenuate if sound direction is opposite to speaker direction





Problem: sound path calculation for multiple reflections computationally demanding
 However: sound waves become increasingly planar and aligned with room geometry

Normal modes: standing waves in room



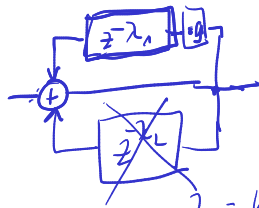
For room of size (l_x, l_y, l_z) :

mode number vector $(\underline{n_x}, \underline{n_y}, \underline{n_z})$ ($n_i = 0, 1, \dots$) corresponding to wave length

$$\lambda_n = 2 \left(\left(\frac{n_x}{l_x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{n_y}{l_y} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{n_z}{l_z} \right)^2 \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

Impulse response of room: resonances at frequencies $f_n = c / \lambda_n$

For irreducible triplets n : fundamental frequency + multiples \Rightarrow harmonic frequencies
 \Rightarrow implemented by comb filters



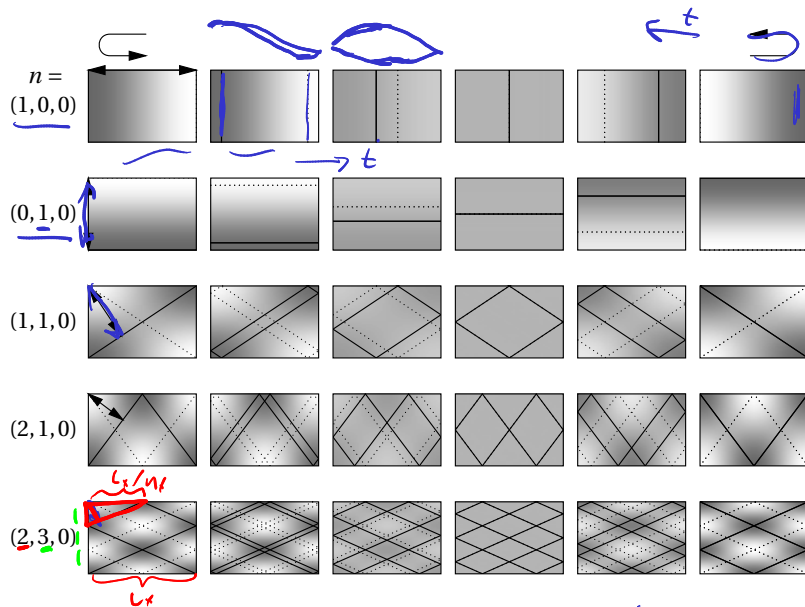
$$\lambda_2 = k \cdot \lambda_1$$



$$n_x = 1$$

$$n_y = 1$$

~~$$n_x = 2$$~~
~~$$n_y = 2$$~~



$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\lambda_n/2}{l_y/n_y} &= \frac{(l_x/n_x \quad l_y/n_y)}{\sqrt{(l_y/n_y)^2 + (l_x/n_x)^2}} \\
 \Rightarrow \lambda_n &= 2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{(n_x/l_x)^2 + (n_y/l_y)^2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Animations:

$(1, 0, 0)$

$(0, 1, 0)$

$(1, 1, 0)$

$(2, 1, 0)$

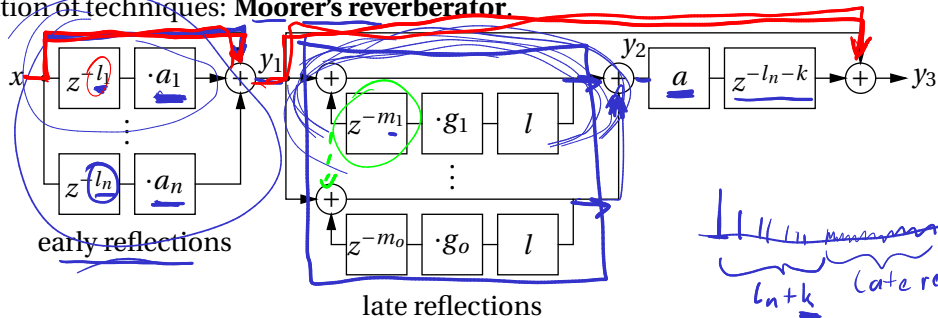
$(2, 3, 0)$

Reverberation without "coloration" (flat magnitude response): delay-based all-pass filter:

$$y[t] = (a * x) = \underline{cx[t]} + x[\underline{t - m}] - c\underline{y[t - m]}$$

$$y[t] = cx[t] + x[\underset{m}{t - \cancel{m}}] - cy[\underset{m}{t - \cancel{m}}]$$

Combination of techniques: **Moorer's reverberator.**



Early reflections (delays l_i based on the sound trajectories):

$$y_1[t] = x[t] + a_1 x[t - l_1] + \dots + a_n x[t - l_n]$$

IIR comb filters with a low-pass filter in the loop:

$$y[t] = (c * x)[t] = x[t] + g(l * y)[t - m]$$

applied in parallel for late reflections:

$$y_2[t] = c_1 * y_1 + c_2 * y_1 + \dots + c_o * y_1$$

(m_i are based on wavelengths of room modes, low-pass filter simulates the behavior of the walls)

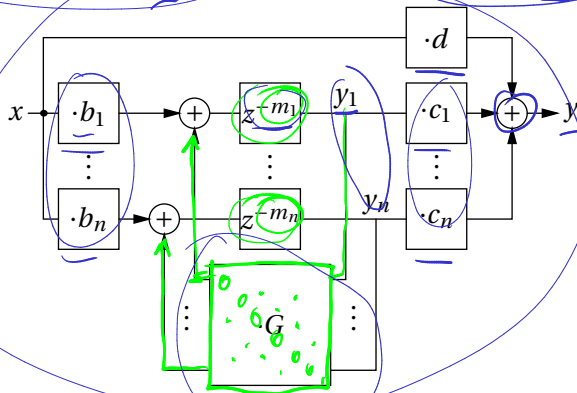
fed into all-pass filter, delayed and mixed together:

$$y_3[t] = y_1[t] + (a * y_2)[t - l_n - k]$$

Generalization of recursive comb filter $y[t] = x[t] + g \cdot y[t - m]$: **feedback delay network (FDN)**
 g substituted by a matrix G :

$$\vec{y}[t] = x[t - \vec{m}] \vec{b} + G \vec{y}[t - \vec{m}] \quad \text{and} \quad y[t] = dx[t] + \vec{c}^T \vec{y}[t]$$

($\vec{y}[t - \vec{m}]$ means: each component of \vec{y} is delayed by a different delay m_i)



If G is a diagonal matrix \Rightarrow set of parallel comb filters as in Moorer's reverberator
 Non-diagonal elements of G : interaction between the room's normal modes (due to diffusive elements)

Taking the z -transform:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{Y}(z) &= \text{diag}\left(z^{-\vec{m}}\right) \left(\vec{b}X(z) + G\vec{Y}(z)\right), \\ \left(\text{diag}\left(z^{-\vec{m}}\right) - G\right) \vec{Y}(z) &= \vec{b}X(z), \\ H(z) &= \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \underline{d} + \underline{\vec{c}}^T \left(\text{diag}\left(z^{-\vec{m}}\right) - G\right)^{-1} \underline{\vec{b}}\end{aligned}$$

Poles: $\det(\text{diag}(z^{-\vec{m}}) - G) = 0$

- should be inside unit circle to achieve a stable system
- should have same absolute value (modes will decay at the same rate \Rightarrow no "coloration")
- first lossless prototype (poles on unit circle, e.g. G unitary matrix)
- attenuation coefficients α^{m_i} in feedback loops
- make higher frequencies decay faster (attenuation coefficients now lowpass filters)
- Feedback matrices of special form (fast implementation, e.g. circular Toeplitz matrices \Rightarrow Fourier methods)

5.3 Convolution Methods

Real room reverberation: convolve the input signal with **room impulse response**

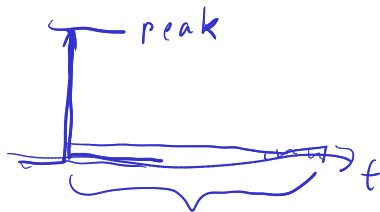
How to determine room impulse response?

Simple: emit impulse (at source position), record result (at listener position)

Problem: large signal peak, little sound energy

Crest factor:

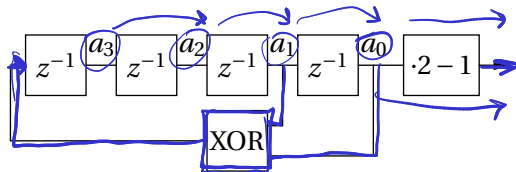
$$C = \frac{\text{peak}|x|}{\text{RMS}(x)}$$



Solution: **maximum length sequences** (MLS) (pseudo-random binary (bit) sequences, generated by linear feedback shift registers)

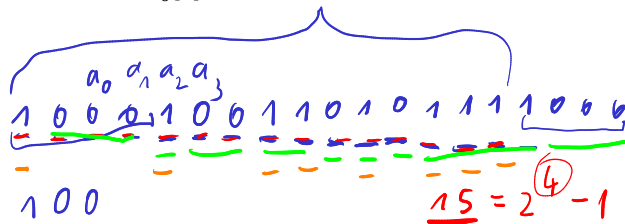
Example (shift register of size 4 (a_3, a_2, a_1, a_0):

$$a_3[t] = a_0[t-1] \text{ XOR } a_1[t-1], \quad a_k[t] = a_{k+1}[t-1] \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, 2.$$



For initial values 0001 for a , the result is

$$a_0[t] = 100010011010111100010011010111100010011010111 \dots$$



8 1's
7 0's

$$15 = 2^4 - 1$$

Properties of MLS:

- shift register size m \Rightarrow sequence length $2^m - 1$
- half of the runs: length 1, quarter: length 2, eighth: length 3, ...
- \approx half of bits are 1
- 0 substituted by -1 \Rightarrow crest factor 1 (= minimum)
- correlation property: auto-correlation \approx impulses at intervals of $2^m - 1$

Handwritten note:  autocorr

$$(\underline{a} \star \underline{a})[k] = \sum_{t=0}^{2^m-2} a[t] a[t-k] \approx \begin{cases} \underline{2^m - 1} & \underline{k = 0} \pmod{2^m - 1} \\ \underline{0} & \underline{\text{else}} \end{cases}$$

So, $a \star a \propto \delta$ (apart from the repetition).

Extract room impulse response h from MLS response $y = h \star a$:

$$\underline{(y \star a)} = \underline{h \star (a \star a)} = \underline{h \star \delta} = \underline{h}$$

Handwritten example:

1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1

~~7 eqv.~~
~~8 eqv.~~

Problem: direct convolution of impulse response with input signal computationally costly

Solution: convolution theorem (used on blocks):

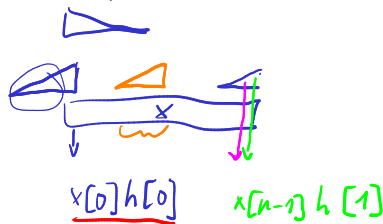
$$\underbrace{\text{FFT}^{-1}}_{\text{length } n} \left(\underbrace{\text{FFT}(x[0], \dots, x[n-1])}_{n} \odot \underbrace{\text{FFT}(h[0], \dots, h[m-1], \dots, 0)}_{\text{length } n} \right)$$

$$= (\underbrace{x[0]h[0]}_{\text{red}} + \underbrace{x[n-1]h[1]}_{\text{green}} + \underbrace{x[n-2]h[2]}_{\text{magenta}} + \dots, \dots)$$

$x * y = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\underbrace{\mathcal{F}(x)}_{n \log n} \cdot \underbrace{\mathcal{F}(y)}_{n \log n})$
 $\frac{n^2}{n \log n \cdot n \log n} = \frac{n}{n \log n}$

⊙ ... pointwise multiplication

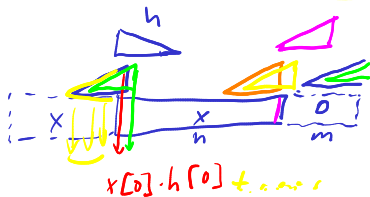
Problem: result is circular convolution



Solution: Zero-padding to length $n + m - 1$:

$$\text{FFT}^{-1} \left(\underbrace{\text{FFT}(x[0], \dots, x[n-1], \dots, 0)}_{\text{length } n+m-1} \odot \underbrace{\text{FFT}(h[0], \dots, h[m-1], \dots, 0)}_{\text{length } n+m-1} \right)$$

$$= (\underbrace{x[0]h[0]}_{\text{red}}, \underbrace{x[1]h[0] + x[0]h[1]}_{\text{green}}, \dots, \underbrace{x[n-1]h[0] + \dots + x[n-m+1]h[m-1]}_{\text{orange}}, \underbrace{x[n-1]h[1] + \dots + x[n-m]h[m-1]}_{\text{yellow}}, \dots, \underbrace{x[n-1]h[m-1]}_{\text{magenta}}).$$



The result has to be overlap-added:

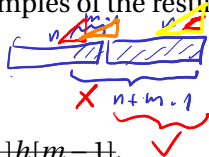
$$\begin{array}{l}
 \underline{x[0]h[0]} \\
 x[1]h[0] + x[0]h[1] \\
 \vdots \\
 x[n-1]h[0] + \dots + x[n-m+1]h[m-1] \\
 x[n-1]h[1] + \dots + x[n-m]h[m-1] \\
 \vdots \\
 x[n-1]h[m-1]
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 \vdots \\
 + x[n]h[0] \\
 \vdots \\
 + x[n+m-2]h[0] + \dots + x[n]h[m-2] \\
 \vdots \\
 + x[2n-1]h[m-1],
 \end{array}$$

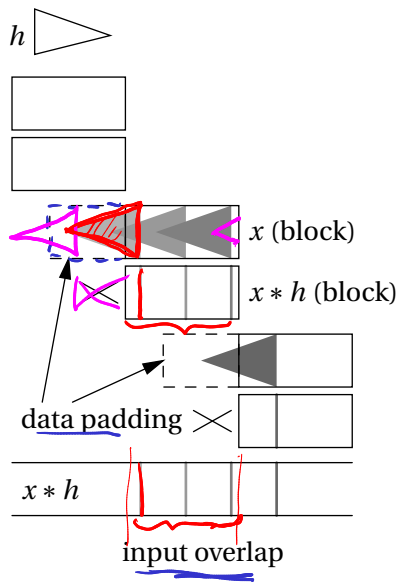
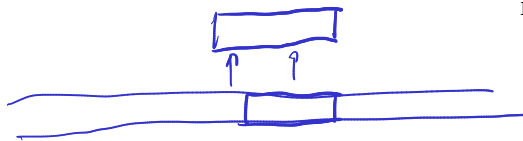
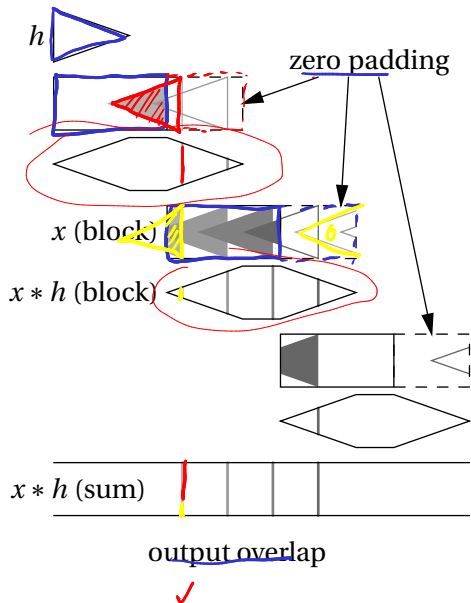
left column: $h * x[0, \dots, n-1]$, right column: $h * x[n, \dots, 2n-1]$.

Another possibility: input blocks of size $n+m-1$ overlap, discard $m-1$ samples of the result

$$\text{FFT}^{-1} \left(\text{FFT}(x[-m+1], \dots, x[n-1]) \odot \underbrace{\text{FFT}(h[0], \dots, h[m-1], \dots, 0)}_{\text{length } n+m-1} \right)$$

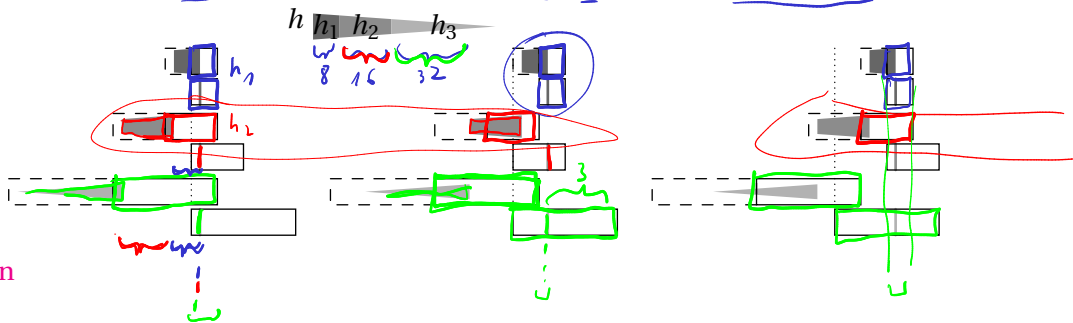
$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (x[-m+1]h[0] + x[n-1]h[1] + \dots, \dots, x[-1]h[0] + \dots + x[n-1]h[m-1], \\
 &\quad \underline{x[0]h[0] + \dots + x[-m+1]h[m-1]}, \dots, \underline{x[n-1]h[0] + \dots + x[n-m]h[m-1]}).
 \end{aligned}$$



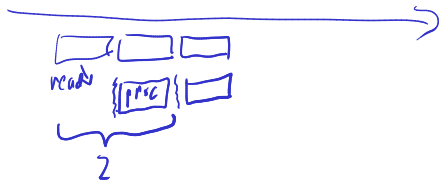


Problem: latency introduced by the block size

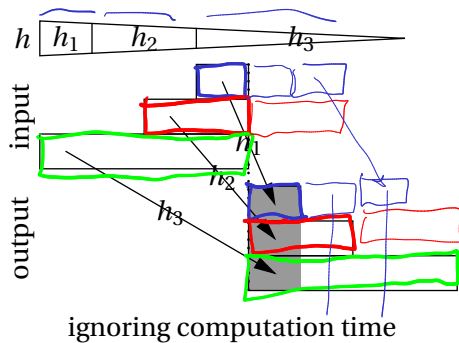
Solution: split the impulse response h into blocks h_1, h_2, h_3, \dots (increasing power-of-two sizes)



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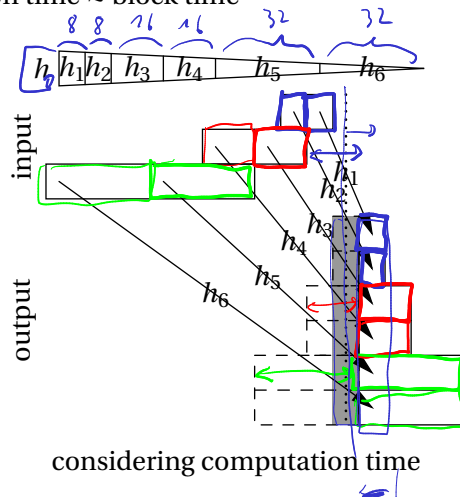


Overlap of input and output of the size of h_1 \Rightarrow introduce some latency



animation

Practically: block computation time \approx block time



animation

Zero-latency: prepend block h_0 ($1\times$ or $2\times$ size of h_1), direct convolution

In reality, I/O is blocked anyway, though.

6 Audio Coding

6.1 Lossless Audio Coding

Simplest approach: silence compression:

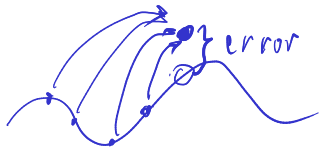
- runs of zero values: runlength-coding
- almost silent parts set to zero (actually lossy)

Better: linear prediction (linear predictive coding): *LPC*

- optimized filter (Levinson-Durbin recursion) predicts samples
- encode prediction error

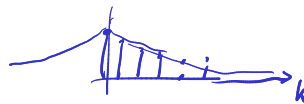


A hand-drawn sketch of a waveform. It shows a series of peaks and troughs, followed by a flat line segment. Below the flat segment, the word "silence" is written in cursive.



Prediction error has two-sided geometric distribution:

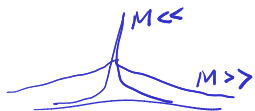
$$p_k = P(\underline{x[t]} - (\underline{p * x})[t] = \underline{k}) \propto \underline{s}^{|k|}$$



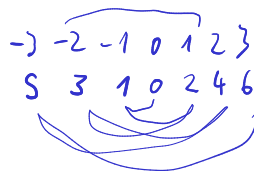
Efficiently encoded with **Rice codes**, or Golomb-Rice codes:

- parameter M (\propto variance of the distribution), power of two
- divide k by M \Rightarrow quotient q , remainder r :

$$\underline{k} = \underline{M} \underline{q} + \underline{r}$$



- q encoded as unary code (q ones followed by a zero)
- r encoded as $\log_2(M)$ bits



Example ($M = 4$):

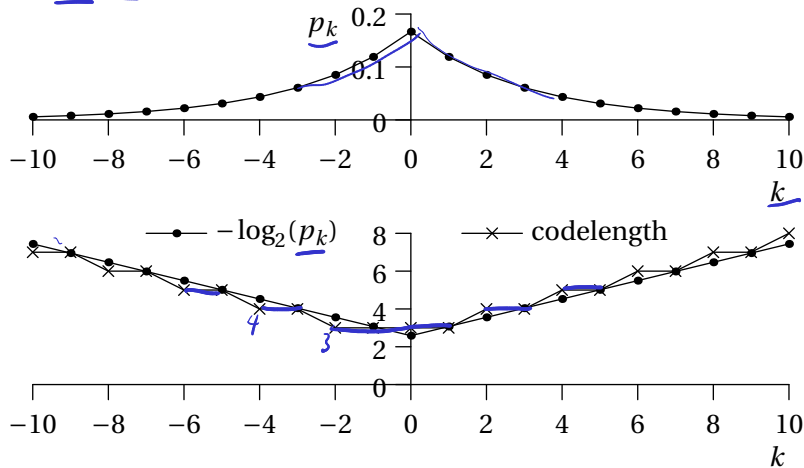
k	code	k	code	k	code	k	code
0	000	4	1000	8	11000	12	111000
-1	001	5	1001	9	11001	13	111001
2	010	6	1010	10	11010	14	111010
-2	011	7	1011	11	11011	15	111011

Only suitable for positive k

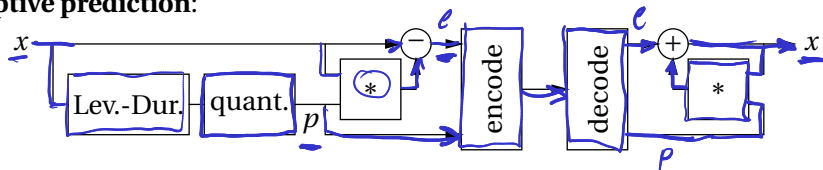
Signed k : $k \mapsto \underline{2k}$ for $k \geq 0$, $k \mapsto \underline{2|k| - 1}$ for $k < 0$

Example: two-sided geometric distribution $p_k = \frac{1}{6} \cdot 1.4^{-|k|}$
 Self-information $-\log_2(p_k)$ compared to the codelengths for $M = 4$:

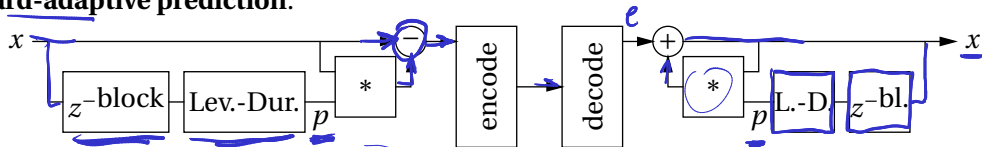
$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{6} 1.4^{-|k|} = 1$$



Forward-adaptive prediction:



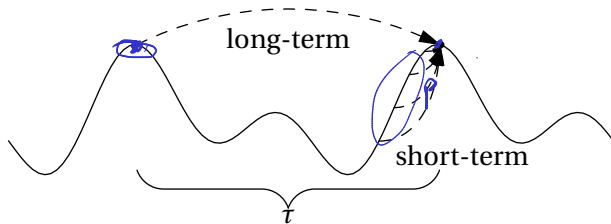
Backward-adaptive prediction:



Disadvantage: coefficients not optimized for current block

Advantages: coefficients not encoded, longer filters possible, non-quantized coefficients

Long-term prediction and short-term prediction:



τ : optimal period (similar to pitch detection)

One to five values around $t - \tau$ for prediction

Short-term and long-term prediction can be combined

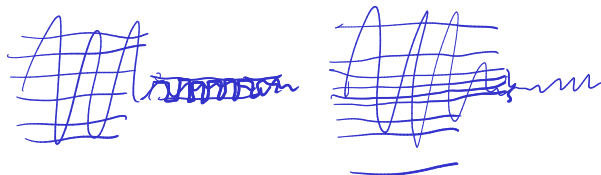
Standards: FLAC (Free Lossless Audio Codec), MPEG-ALS
– many optimization details

6.2 Lossy Audio Coding

Early simple approaches: μ -law and A-law encoding (logarithmic quantization)

Approaches with linear prediction:

- DPCM (differential pulse code modulation) and ADPCM (adaptive DPCM): only quantized prediction errors encoded
- Pure linear predictive coding: only prediction filter coefficients encoded
- CELP (code excited linear predictor): both encoded

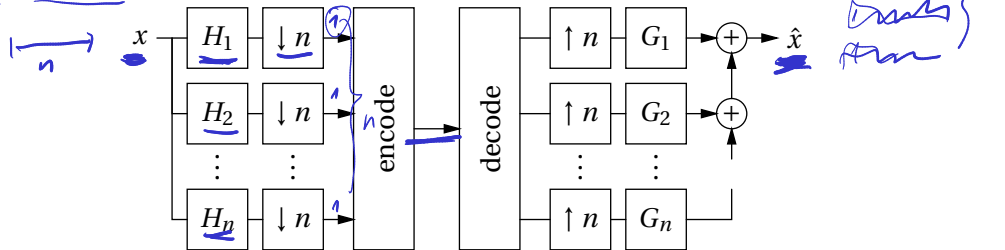


Advanced approach: transform coding (transform of block, quantize and encode coefficients)

Problem: High-frequency artifacts at block borders

Windows and overlapping cannot be used (increase of data size)

Solution 1: filter banks (instead of blocked transform)



H_i ... bandpass filters with different center frequencies

$\downarrow n$... downsampling by a factor of n

$\uparrow n$... upsampling (insertion of $n - 1$ zeros after each element)

G_i reconstruction filters (H_i and G_i fulfill a “perfect reconstruction” constraint)

Used in MPEG audio level 1-2

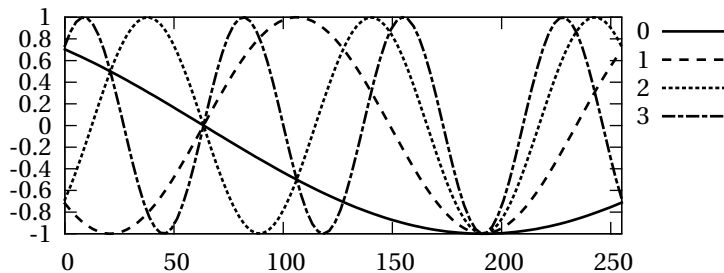
Solution 2: modified discrete cosine transform (MDCT):

$$X[\underline{w}, \underline{t}] = \sum_{s=0}^{2n-1} \underline{x}[\underline{nt+s}] \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{n}\left(s + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{n}{2}\right)\left(\underline{w} + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right)$$

n ... hop-size

2n ... block size

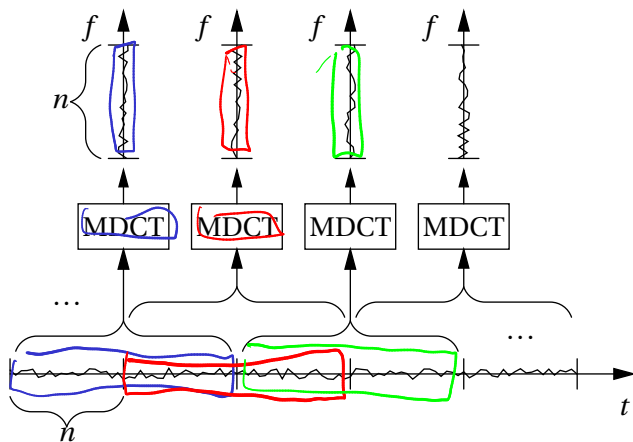
$w = 0, \dots, n-1$



First four basis functions of the MDCT for $n = 128$



Block of size $2n$ produces only n MDCT coefficients, but 50% overlap of blocks



MDCT blocks can be windowed (has to satisfy $w[s]^2 + w[s+n]^2 = 1$)

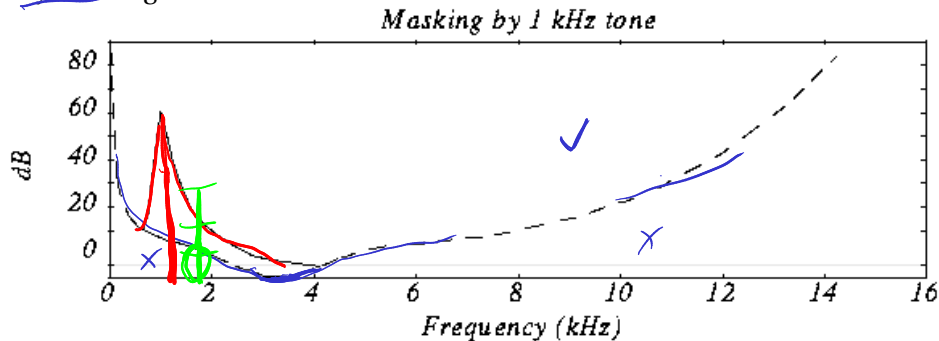
Used in MPEG audio layer 3 (MP3, in addition to filter banks), MPEG-AAC (advanced audio coding), Vorbis.

Transformed data: quantized and encoded (entropy coders: Huffman, arithmetic coding)

Improvement: adaptively choosing quantization factors on a coefficient basis

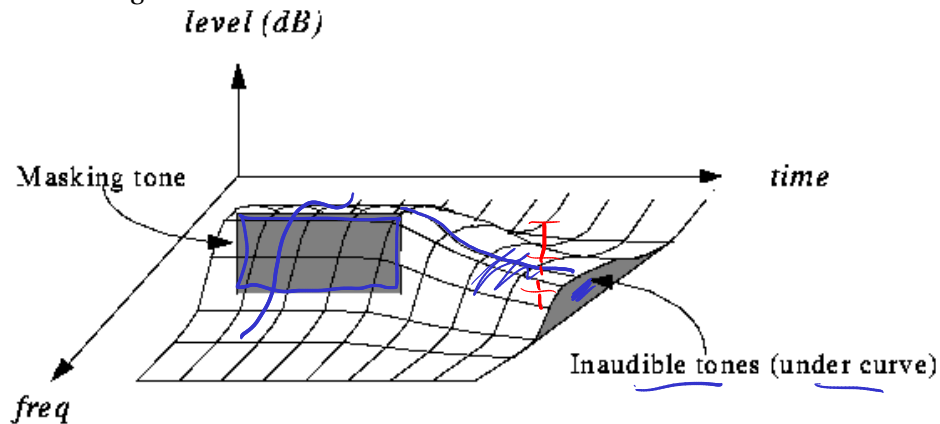
⇒ psychoacoustics

1. Frequency masking:



⇒ quantize so that quantization is below masking threshold

2. Temporal masking:



Used in all state-of-the-art lossy audio codecs: MP3, AAC, Vorbis

Disadvantages of major audio codecs:

- latency (due to blocked processing \Rightarrow unusable for interactive audio)
- bad compression performance for very low bit-rate and speech coding
(predictive techniques still better)
- heavily patent covered techniques

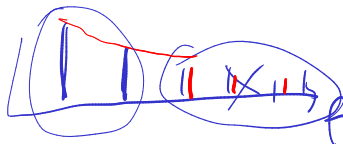
• Solution: Opus codec

- frequency-domain techniques for higher bit-rates
- can switch to predictive coding dynamically
- uses small block sizes (less latency) (special techniques to overcome low frequency resolution)

Problem for low bit-rates: high frequencies usually dropped entirely

Solution: spectral band replication

- ✦ synthesizes higher frequency bands by extrapolating frequency content in lower bands
- ✦ harmonic signals supplemented with more harmonic frequencies in higher bands
- ✦ low-frequency noise with high-frequency noise
- ✦ may be guided by low-bit-rate side information encoded by the encoder
- ✦ result: only approximation, but sounds "nice", improves comprehensibility of speech



The End