

1 List of symbols

(1 indicates a dimensionless quantity and – indicates not applicable).

| Symbol | Variable name | Units | Description |
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| $\arctan2(y, x)$ | – | – | The four quadrant inverse tangent which returns values in the interval $[-\pi, \pi]$, inclusive. |
| c | <code>c</code> | ms^{-1} | Sound speed in water. |
| $D(v)$ | <code>filter_v[n] ['D']</code> | 1 | Integer filter decimation factor. |
| $DFT_{N_{DFT}}(x)$ | | – | The discrete Fourier transform of length N_{DFT} of x . |
| f | | Hz | Frequency. |
| f_c | | Hz | Frequency at centre of linear upswing chirp pulse. Equivalent to $f_{start} + \frac{ f_{stop} - f_{start} }{2}$. |
| f_n | <code>f_n</code> | Hz | Nominal operating frequency of a transducer. |
| f_s | <code>f_s</code> | Hz | Analogue to digital sampling frequency. |
| $f_{s,dec}$ | <code>f_s_dec</code> | Hz | Decimated sampling frequency. |
| f_{start} | <code>f_1</code> | Hz | Start frequency of linear upswing chirp pulse. |
| f_{stop} | <code>f_2</code> | Hz | Stop frequency of linear upswing chirp pulse. |
| $g(\theta, \phi, f)$ | <code>g_theta_phi_m</code> | 1 | Transducer gain as a function of echo arrival angle in the beam and frequency. |
| $g_0(f)$ | <code>g_0_m</code> | 1 | Transducer gain along the main acoustic axis, i.e. $g(\theta, \phi, f)$ where $\theta = \phi = 0$. |
| $h_{bp}(i, v)$ | <code>filter_v[n] ['h_fl_i']</code> | 1 | Complex valued receiving filter coefficients. |
| i | | 1 | Generic integer index. |
| $\Im(x)$ | | – | The imaginary part of x . |
| j | | | The square root of -1 . |
| m | <code>m</code> | 1 | Sample index in frequency domain. |

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| N_u | N_u | 1 | Total number of transducer sectors/transceiver channels that are used to receive and process the acoustic signal. |
| N_v | | 1 | Total number of filter stages. |
| N_w | | 1 | Number of samples used in the sliding Hanning window. |
| n | n | 1 | Sample index in time domain. |
| $P_{rx,e,t}(f)$ | | W | FT of the received electric power in a matched load for the signal from a single target at frequency f . |
| $P_{rx,e,t}(m)$ | $P_{rx_e_t_m}$ | W | DFT of the received electric power in a matched load for the signal from a single target. |
| $P_{rx,e,v}(f)$ | | W | FT of the received electric power in a matched load for the signal from a volume at frequency f . |
| $P_{rx,e,v}(m)$ | $P_{rx_e_v_m}$ | Wm^2 | DFT of the received electric power in a matched load for the signal from a volume. |
| $p_{rx,e}(n)$ | $p_{rx_e_n}$ | W | Received electric power in a matched load. |
| $p_{tx,e}$ | p_{tx_e} | W | Transmitted electric power. |
| $p_{tx,auto}(n)$ | p_{tx_auto} | 1 | Square of the absolute value of the matched filter autocorrelation function. |
| $\Re(x)$ | | – | The real part of x . |
| r | | m | Distance from transducer. |
| r_0 | | m | Reference distance. |
| r_c | | m | Distance from the transducer to the centre of the range volume covered by t_w . |
| $r_c(n)$ | | m | $range_c$ at sample number n . |
| $r(n)$ | r_n | m | Distance from transducer. |
| $S_p(n)$ | Sp_n | dB re 1 m ² | Point scattering strength. |
| S_v | | dB re 1 m ⁻¹ | Volume backscattering strength. |
| $S_v(f)$ | | dB re 1 m ⁻¹ | Volume backscattering strength at frequency f . |
| $S_v(n)$ | Sv_n | dB re 1 m ⁻¹ | Volume backscattering strength at sample index n . |

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| TS | | dB re 1 m ² | Target strength. |
| TS(f) | | dB re 1 m ² | Target strength at frequency f . |
| TS(m) | TS_m | dB re 1 m ² | Target strength at frequency index m . |
| t | | s | Time. |
| t_w | t_w | s | Duration of sliding window for calculating volume backscattering strength. |
| u | | 1 | Receiver channel number and transducer sector number. |
| $u(i)$ | | 1 | The Heaviside step function. |
| V | | m ³ | Volume occupied by scattering targets. |
| v | | 1 | Filter stage. |
| w | | 1 | The Hann window function. |
| $w(i)$ | w_i | 1 | The Hann window function for index i , defined by $w(i) = 0.5(1 + \cos(2\pi i/N_w))$, $-N_w/2 \leq i \leq N_w/2$. |
| $\tilde{w}(i)$ | w_tilde_i | 1 | Normalised Hann window. |
| x^* | | – | The complex conjugate of x . |
| $\ x\ _2$ | | – | The l^2 -norm of x , also known as the Euclidean norm. |
| $Y_{\text{mf,auto}}(m)$ | Y_mf_auto_m | 1 | Discrete Fourier transform (DFT) of the autocorrelation function for the matched filter. |
| $Y_{\text{mf,auto,red}}(m)$ | Y_mf_auto_m_red | 1 | DFT of the reduced autocorrelation function for the matched filter. |
| $Y_{\text{pc,t}}(m)$ | Y_pc_t_m | V | DFT of the pulse compressed signal from a single target. |
| $\tilde{Y}_{\text{pc,t}}(m)$ | Y_tilde_pc_t_m | Vm | DFT of the pulse compressed signal from a single target normalized by the DFT of the reduced autocorrelation function for the matched filter. |
| $Y_{\text{pc,v}}(m)$ | Y_pc_v_m | Vm | DFT of the pulse compressed signal from a volume. Compensated for spreading loss. |

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| $\tilde{Y}_{pc,v}(m)$ | <code>Y_tilde_pc_v_m</code> | V | DFT of the pulse compressed signal from a single volume normalized by the DFT of the reduced autocorrelation function for the matched filter. Compensated for spreading loss. |
| $y_{mf}(n)$ | <code>y_mf_n</code> | 1 | Matched filter. Signal used for pulse compression. |
| $y_{mf,auto}(n)$ | <code>y_mf_auto_n</code> | 1 | Autocorrelation function for the matched filter. |
| $y_{mf,auto,red}(n)$ | <code>y_mf_auto_red_n</code> | 1 | Reduced autocorrelation function for the matched filter. |
| $y_{pc}(n)$ | <code>y_pc_n</code> | V | Pulse compressed signal averaged over all transducer sectors. |
| $y_{pc}(n, u)$ | <code>y_pc_nu</code> | V | Pulse compressed signal from channel u . |
| $y_{pc,aft}(n)$ | <code>y_pc_aft_n</code> | V | Pulse compressed signal from the aft transducer half. |
| $y_{pc,fore}(n)$ | <code>y_pc_fore_n</code> | V | Pulse compressed signal from the forward transducer half. |
| $y_{pc,port}(n)$ | <code>y_pc_port_n</code> | V | Pulse compressed signal from the port transducer half. |
| $y_{pc,s}(n)$ | <code>y_pc_s_n</code> | Vm | Pulse compressed signal compensated for spherical spreading. |
| $y_{pc,star}(n)$ | <code>y_pc_star_n</code> | V | Pulse compressed signal from the starboard transducer half. |
| $y_{pc,t}(n)$ | <code>y_pc_t_n</code> | V | Pulse compressed signal from a single target. |
| $y_{rx}(n, u)$ | <code>y_rx_nu</code> | V | Received digitised, bandpass filtered, decimated complex signal after the final filter stage, $y_{rx}(n, u) = y_{rx}(n, u, N_V)$. |
| $y_{rx}(n, u, v)$ | | V | Received digitised, bandpass filtered, decimated complex signal. |
| $y_{rx,a}(t)$ | | Pa | Analogue acoustic signal received by the transducer. |
| $y_{rx,e}(t, u)$ | | V | Analogue electric signal received by each transceiver channel u . |
| $y_{rx,org}(n, u)$ | | V | Received digitised signal before the bandpass filtering and decimation stages, $y_{rx,org}(n, u) = y_{rx}(n, u, 0)$. |

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| $y_{\text{tx}}(n)$ | y_tx_n | V | Ideal transmitted signal generated from transmit signal properties. |
| $\tilde{y}_{\text{tx}}(n)$ | y_tilde_tx_n | 1 | Ideal normalized transmitted signal generated from transmit signal properties. |
| $\tilde{y}_{\text{tx}}(n, v)$ | y_tilde_tx_nv | 1 | Ideal normalized transmitted signal generated from transmit signal properties after application of filter stage v . |
| $y_{\text{tx},\text{a}}(t)$ | | Pa | Analogue acoustic transmit signal. |
| $y_{\text{tx},\text{e}}(t)$ | | V | Analogue electric transmit signal. |
| $y_{\theta}(n)$ | y_theta_n | rad | Electrical angle along the minor axis of the transducer (alongship when ship-mounted). |
| $y_{\phi}(n)$ | y_phi_n | rad | Electrical angle along the major axis of the transducer (athwartship when ship-mounted). |
| $z_{\text{rx},\text{e}}$ | z_rx_e | Ω | Receiver electric impedance. |
| $z_{\text{td},\text{e}}$ | z_td_e | Ω | Transducer sector electric impedance. |
| $\alpha(f)$ | alpha_m | dB m^{-1} | Absorption coefficient at frequency f . |
| γ_{θ} | gamma_theta | 1 | Conversion factor between phase difference in signals from the fore and aft transducer halves and the physical arrival angle of an echo. |
| γ_{ϕ} | gamma_phi | 1 | Conversion factor between phase difference in signals from the port and starboard transducer halves and the physical arrival angle of an echo. |
| θ | theta_n | rad | Angle coordinates along the minor axis of the transducer (alongship when ship-mounted). |
| λ | | m | Acoustic wavelength. |
| λ_m | lambda_m | m | Acoustic wavelength at frequency index m |
| σ_{bs} | | m^2 | Backscattering cross-section. |
| τ | tau | s | Nominal transmit pulse duration. |
| τ_{eff} | tau_eff | s | Effective transmit pulse duration. |

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| ϕ | phi | rad | Angle coordinates along the major axis of the transducer (athwartship when ship-mounted). |
| $\psi(f)$ | psi_m | sr | Two-way equivalent beam angle at frequency f . |