

Basic Signal Processing (II)

Computational Social Intelligence - Lecture 17

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Texts (see Moodle)

This lecture is based on the following text
(available on Moodle):

- F.Camastra and A.Vinciarelli, "Machine Learning for Audio, Image and Video Processing", Springer Verlag, Chapter 2, pp. 38-46, 2008.

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- Zero Crossing Rate
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Any short-term property
that can be extracted
from the signal

$$x[k] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(s[n])w[k-n]$$

Convolution between
 $f(s[n])$ and a window

A function of sample “n”

A window signal

The Energy

$$f(s[n]) = \frac{(s[n])^2}{N}$$

$$f(s[n]) = \frac{|s[n]|}{N}$$

The Magnitude

Recap

- The short-term properties of a signal can be calculated through the convolution with an analysis window;
- Different functions applied to the samples lead to different properties;
- Every property is a signal that tends to remain stable in those intervals in which the signal properties are stable.

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The function is 1 when
the signal crosses the
horizontal axis

$$g(s[k], s[k - 1]) =$$

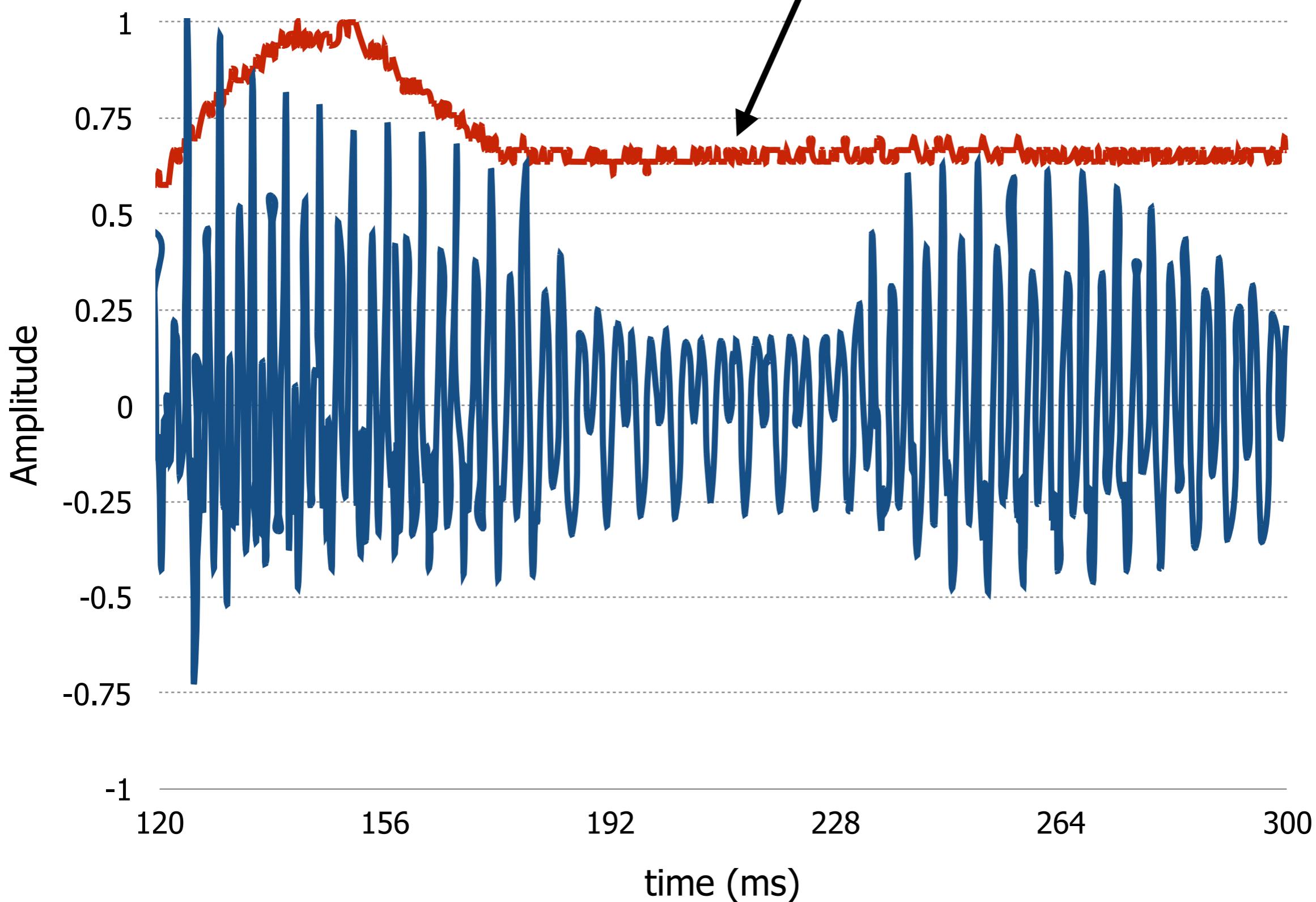
$$= \begin{cases} 0 & : s[k], s[k - 1] \geq 0 \\ 0 & : s[k], s[k - 1] \leq 0 \\ 1 & : s[k] > 0, s[k - 1] < 0 \\ 1 & : s[k] < 0, s[k - 1] > 0 \end{cases}$$

The Zero Crossing Rate

$$Z[k] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{g(s[n], s[n-1])}{2N} w[k-n]$$

The ZCR is half the number of times the signal crosses the horizontal axis in the window

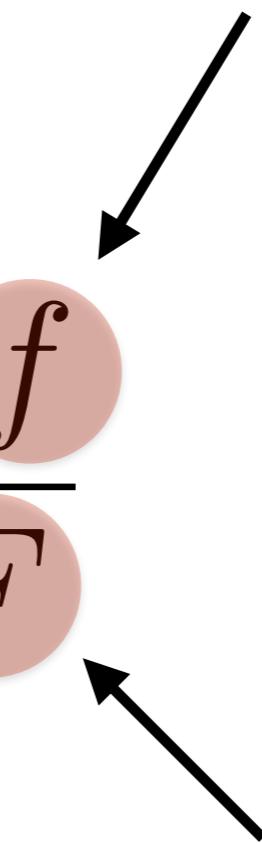
Zero Crossing Rate



The ZCR when the signal is a sinusoid of frequency "f"

$$Z[k] = \frac{2f}{F}$$

The sinusoid frequency



The sampling frequency

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The Autocorrelation

The parameter “m” is called the lag

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} s[n]w[k-n]s[n+m]w[k-n-m]$$

$R_m[k] =$

Product of two samples
at distance “m” from
one another

Index range where
“ $w[k-n]$ ” is different
from zero

$$k - n \geq 0$$

$$k - n \leq N - 1$$

$$k - n - m \geq 0$$

$$k - n - m \leq N - 1$$

 \Rightarrow

$$n \leq k$$

 \Rightarrow

$$n \geq k - N + 1$$

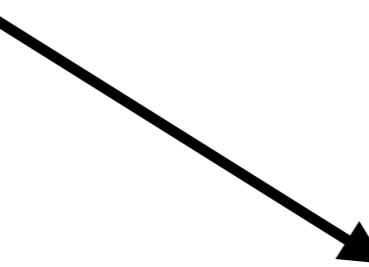
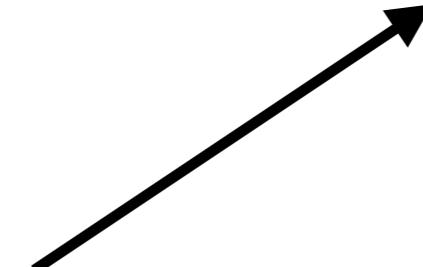
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$$n \leq k - m$$

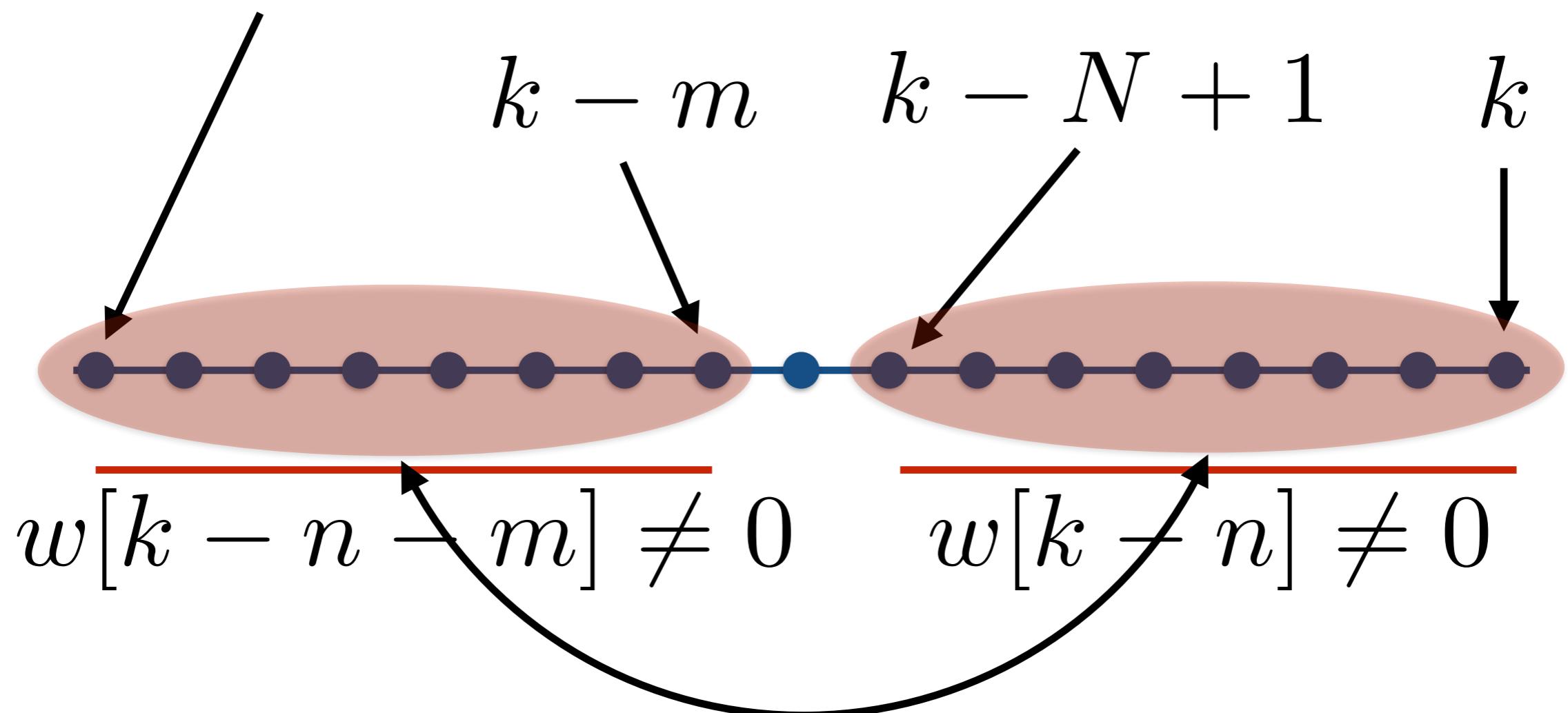
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$$n \geq k - m - N + 1$$

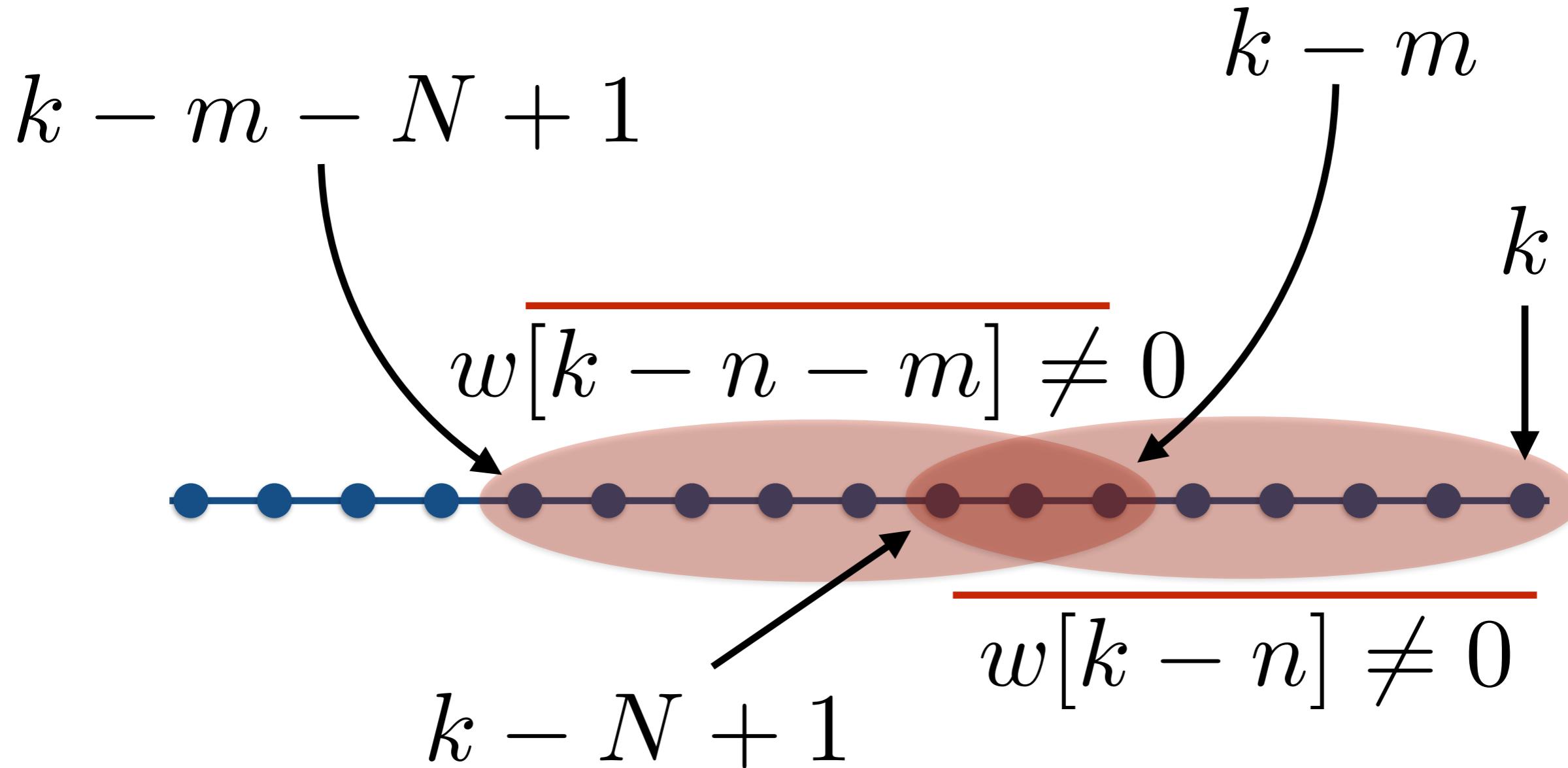
Index range where
“ $w[k-n-m]$ ” is different
from zero



$$k - m - N + 1$$



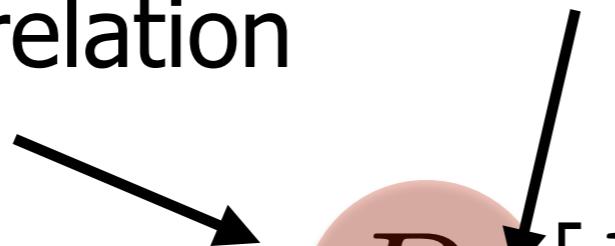
when "m" is greater than "N-1" ("N" is the length of the window), there is no overlapping between analysis windows



when “m” is less than “N” (“N” is the length of the window), there is overlapping between analysis windows

The lag is zero

The Autocorrelation



$$R_0[k] =$$

Only when the window
is rectangular

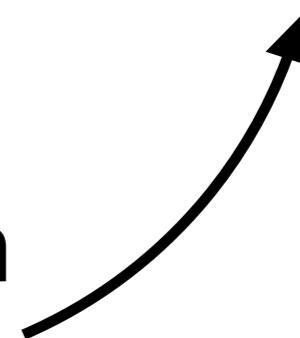
$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} s[n]s[n]w[k-n]w[k-n] =$$

$n = -\infty$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (s[n])^2 w[k-n] = NE[k]$$

$n = -\infty$

The autocorrelation with
lag zero is the energy



Recap

- The Zero Crossing Rate provides information about the frequency that carries most energy;
- The autocorrelation changes depending on how periodic is the signal;
- The inverse of the distance between the maxima of the autocorrelation accounts for the frequency that carries most energy;

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Disclaimer

The Section “Fourier Transform” is not part of the exam (it is presented only for information).

However, in case of interest, further information is available in the following text:

- F.Camastra and A.Vinciarelli, “Machine Learning for Audio, Image and Video Processing”, Springer Verlag, Appendix B, pp. 38-51, 2008.

Discrete Fourier Transform

$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} s[n] \cdot e^{-i2\pi \frac{k}{N} n}$$

The weights of the sum are complex exponentials

The sum is over the samples of an analysis window

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$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} s[n] \cdot e^{-i2\pi \frac{k}{N} n} =$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} s[n] \left\{ \cos \left(2\pi \frac{k}{N} n \right) - i \sin \left(2\pi \frac{k}{N} n \right) \right\}$$

The weights are periodic functions

This exponential is equal to 1

$$\begin{aligned} X[k + N] &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} s[n] \cdot e^{-i2\pi \frac{k+N}{N} n} = \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} s[n] \cdot e^{-i2\pi \frac{k}{N} n} e^{-i2\pi n} = \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} s[n] \cdot e^{-i2\pi \frac{k}{N} n} = X[k] \end{aligned}$$

"X[k]" is periodic of period "N"

Inverse Fourier Transform

The sum is over the samples of a period of the DFT

$$s[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] \cdot e^{i2\pi \frac{k}{N} n} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] \left\{ \cos \left(2\pi \frac{k}{N} n \right) + i \sin \left(2\pi \frac{k}{N} n \right) \right\}$$

The weights are periodic functions

Sample “n” is the signal
at time “nT” (T is the
sampling period)

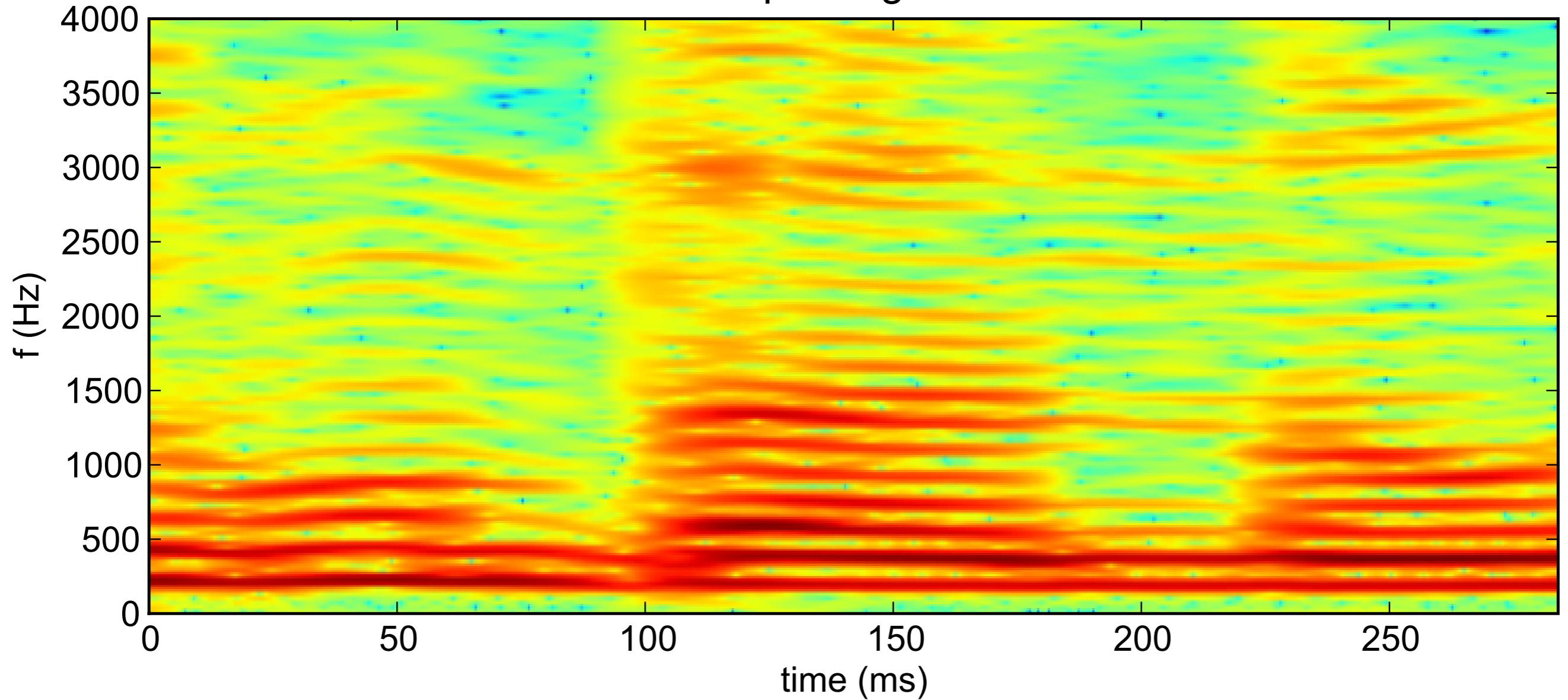


$$s(nT) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] \cdot e^{i2\pi \frac{k}{N} nT} =$$
$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] \cdot e^{i2\pi \frac{k}{N} \frac{1}{F} n}$$



The sampling rate

Spectrogram



Recap

- Discrete Fourier Transform and its inverse represent the same information in two different ways (they are equivalent);
- The spectrogram shows the energy distribution across the frequencies;
- The Discrete Fourier Transform changes depending on the property of the signal.

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Conclusions

- Speech signals can be analysed in the time domain through convolution operations;
- In most cases, the processing takes place in the frequency domain (after performing Fourier transform);
- The main reason for analysing speech is that it is the main form of communication between people.