



 Python Applications for Digital Design and Signal Processing

Applications for Digital Design and Signal Processing Session 4

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Functions



Functions

```
>>> def add_these(x, y, z = 5):  
...     """  
...     docstring  
...     """  
...     if x < 0:  
...         print("x must be positive")  
...         return False  
...     return x + y + z
```

Functions

The diagram illustrates function parameters and arguments. In the function definition, a bracket above 'x, y, z' is labeled 'parameters'. An arrow points to 'z = 5' with the label 'default value'. In the function call, a bracket above '5, k, z' is labeled 'arguments'. An arrow points to '5' with the label '5, k are used as positional parameters'. Another arrow points to 'z = 12' with the label 'z is used as a keyword parameter'.

```
>>> def add_these(x, y, z = 5):  
...     """  
...     docstring  
...     """  
...     if x < 0:  
...         print("x must be positive")  
...         return False  
...     return x + y + z  
...  
>>> k = 15  
>>> add_these(5, k, z = 12)
```

Argument Use Cases

Parameters as defined:

```
>>> def add_these(x, y, z = 5):
```

Argument use cases (positional vs keyword):

```
>>> k = 15
```

```
>>> add_these(5, k, 12)           all positional
```

```
>>> add_these(5, 18, z = 12)     kw for 3rd arg
```

```
>>> add_these(5, y = 15, z = 12)  kw for 2nd allowed, 3rd MUST be kw
```

```
>>> add_these(x = 5, y = 15, z = 12)  kw used for 1st arg, so all following args  
                                     must be kw
```




Functions

functions are called with ()

functions can be passed into other functions!

```
>>> def do_this(my_other_function):  
...     my_other_function()
```

Function nargs and kwargs

```
def my_func(a, b, *nargs, **kwargs):  
    # function contents
```

***nargs**: variable number of positional parameters

****kwargs**: variable number of keyword parameters



Function nargs and kwargs

```
def my_func(a, b, *c, **d):  
    # function contents
```

c will be a **Tuple**
in function body

d will be a **Dictionary**
in function body

Function nargs and kwargs

```
my_func('1', 2, 3, '4', 5, x = 6, y = '7')
```

```
def my_func(a, b, *c, **d):  
    print(a)  
    print(b)  
    print(c)  
    print(d)
```

→ '1'
→ 2
→ (3, '4', 5)
→ {'x': 6, 'y': '7'}

Anything following *nargs or **kwargs must be keyword only.

Function Return

```
def my_func(a, b):  
    y = a + b  
    print(y)  
    return y
```

Return is optional, if omitted 'None' is returned.



Anonymous Functions

Lambda (Anonymous) Functions

lambda parameters: expression

```
lambda x,y: x + 5*y
```

Note similarity to:

$$\lambda(x,y) = x + 5y$$

Lambda (Anonymous) Functions

```
lambda x, y: x + 5*y
```

Often used in higher order functions that take functions as an argument, such as **filter, map, and reduce**

filter: Test each item in list and returns true items

map: Apply function to all items in a list

reduce: Apply rolling computation to sequential pairs

Filter, Map, Reduce

Examples

```
>>> x = map(lambda x: x + 't', ['5','3','2','8'])
>>> list(x)
['5t', '3t', '2t', '8t']
```

```
>>> x = map(int, ['5','3','2','8'])
>>> list(x)
[5,3,2,8]
```

filter: Test each item in list and returns true items

map: Apply function to all items in a list

reduce: Apply rolling computation to sequential pairs



Comprehensions

List and Set Comprehensions



```
a = [b**2 for b in my_iterable]
```

```
a = [b**2 for b in my_iterable if b>5]
```

```
a = {b**2 for b in my_iterable}
```

first expression can be any expression (so can have nested list comprehensions)

Dict Comprehensions



Create dictionaries from arbitrary key and value expressions

```
my_list = [1, 5, 7]
```

```
{x: x**3 for x in my_list}
```

results in:

```
{1: 1, 5: 125, 7: 343}
```

Dict Comprehensions



Create dictionaries from items method for a dict:

```
my_dict = {1: 1, 5: 125, 7: 343}
```

```
{k: v-3 for k,v in my_dict.items()}
```

results in:

```
{1: -2, 5: 122, 7: 340}
```



Reading / Writing Files



Reading / Writing Files

```
f = open(file_name, mode)
```

mode =

'r' read

'w' write

'a' append

Methods:

read(), readline(), readlines(), write(), writelines(), close()



Reading Files

Use "with" to automatically close resource when done

```
with open(filename, 'r') as f:
    for line in f:
        y = do_something(line)
```

```
f = open('file.txt', 'r')
for line in f:
    y = do_something(line)
f.close()
```




Writing Files

Use "with" to automatically close resource when done

```
with open('file.txt', 'w') as f:  
    for item in my_iterable:  
        f.write(f"{item:s}\n")
```

```
f = open('file.txt', 'w')  
for item in my_iterable:  
    f.write(f"{item:s}\n")  
f.close()
```

Reading / Writing Files

Python csv module for reading/writing data in CSV format:

```
import csv
with open('file.txt', newline = '') as f:
    my_reader = csv.reader(f, delimiter = ',')
    for item in my_reader:
        y = do_somthing(item)

with open('file.txt', 'w', newline = '') as f:
    my_writer = csv.writer(f, delimiter = ',')
    my_writer.writerows(my_iterable)
```



Namespaces and Scope



Namespaces

Used extensively by Python to organize object references (names)

Python interpreter will search name spaces in the following order:

- Local

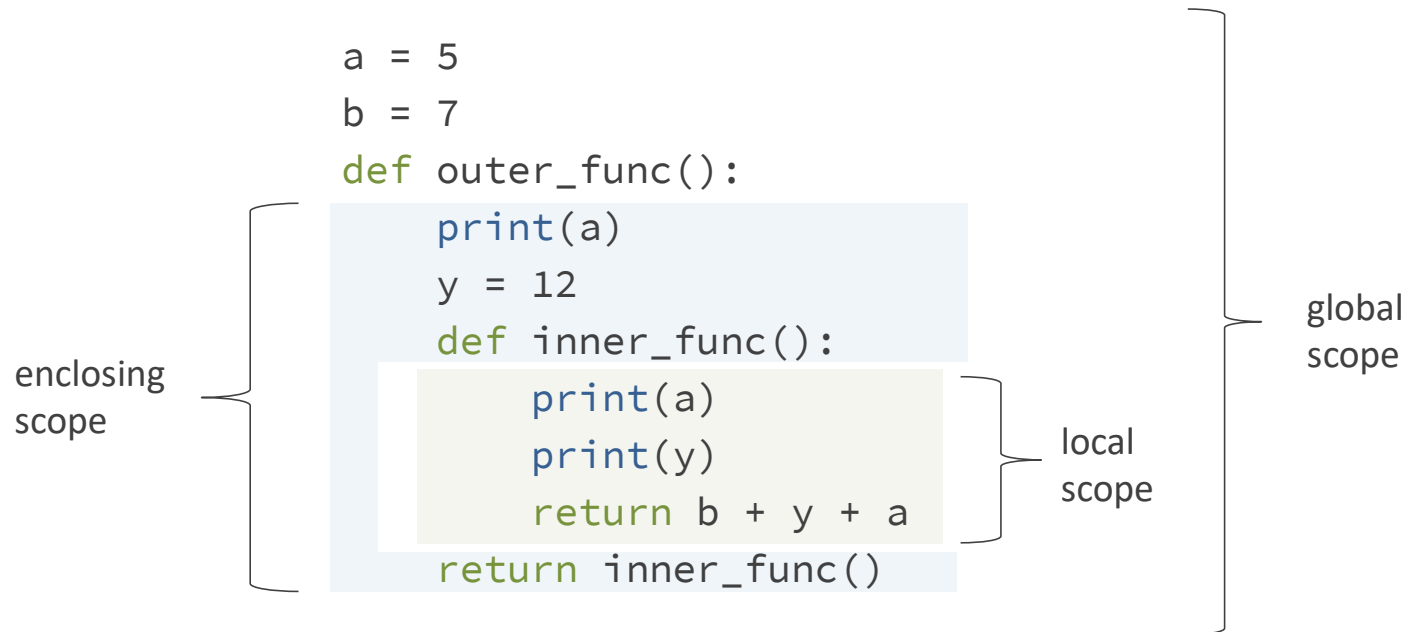
- Enclosing

- Global

- Built-in

And raises a `NameError` exception if not found

Scope



Functions have **read-only** access to enclosing scope in order going out



Generators

Generators

Generators simplify the creation of iterators.

(A generator is an iterator)

Generator Functions are defined by using "yield" in a function definition:

```
def MyGen():  
    for count in range(2000):  
        yield count
```

When called, MyGen will return a **Generator Iterator**

Generators

```
def list_func(x):  
    out = []  
    for item in x:  
        result = do_this(item)  
        out.append(result)  
    return out
```

Example
Function Definition,

Input: Iterable
Returns: a **List**

```
def GenFunc(x):  
    for item in x:  
        result = do_this(item)  
        yield result
```

(note PEP8 style guide suggests CapWords convention for naming class objects, which the Generator Function basically is.)

Same functionality converted to a
Generator Function,

Input: Iterable
Returns: a **Generator Iterator**



Generators

```
def GenFunc(x):  
    for item in x:  
        result = do_this(item)  
        yield result  
        y = do_stuff()  
        yield y  
        z = more_stuff()  
        yield z
```

Generators

Generator Functions simplify making **Iterators!!!**

```
class Gen:
    def __init__(self, start, stop = 20):
        self.index = start - 1
        self.stop = stop
    def __iter__(self):
        return self
    def __next__(self):
        self.index += 1
        if self.index > self.stop:
            raise StopIteration
        return self.index
```



Custom Iterator Class

```
def Gen(start, stop = 20):
    while True:
        start += 1
        yield start - 1
        if start > stop:
            break
```



Generator Function



Coroutines

Coroutines are **consumers** of data

Generators are **producers** of data

Use Yield as an expression to create a coroutine, and use the send() method to pass data in:

```
def GenFunc(x):  
    for item in x:  
        result = do_this(item)  
        y = yield  
        print (result + y)
```



Consumer / Producer

```
mygen = GenFunc()
```

```
def GenFunc():  
    result = do_this()  
    in1 = yield result  
    y = do_stuff()  
    in2 = yield y  
    z = more_stuff()  
    in3 = yield z
```

← This is what runs
when we issue first
next(mygen)



Consumer / Producer

```
mygen = GenFunc()
```

```
def GenFunc():  
    result = do_this()  
    in1 = yield result  
    y = do_stuff()  
    in2 = yield y  
    z = more_stuff()  
    in3 = yield z
```

This is what runs when
we then issue
`w = mygen.send(5)`



Zip

zip

zip aggregates iterables from **multiple streams**:

```
>>> a = ['a', 'b', 'c']  
>>> b = [7, 'c', 6]  
>>> c = [-9, 2, 'd']
```

To a **stream of multiples**, returning an iterator:

```
>>> out = zip(a, b, c)  
>>> list(out)  
[('a', 7, -9), ('b', 'c', 2), ('c', 6, 'd')]
```



zip

```
>>> list(zip(a, b))  
[('a', 7), ('b', 2), ('c', 6)]
```

Easy way to make a dictionary from two iterators
representing key and value:

```
>>> dict(zip(a, b))  
{'a': 7, 'b': 2, 'c': 6}
```




To "unzip"

```
a = ['a', 'b', 'c']
```

```
b = [7, 2, 6]
```

```
out = zip(a,b)
```

```
list(out)
```

zipped:

```
[('a', 7), ('b',2), ('c',6)]
```

```
unzipped = zip(*out)
```

```
list(unzipped)
```

unzipped:

```
[('a', 'b', 'c'), (7, 2, 6)]
```

These are equivalent:

```
zip(*out)
```

```
zip(('a', 7), ('b',2), ('c',6))
```



zip

Useful related idiom with zip:

Divides a long series into groups of n

```
zip(*[iter(series)] * n)
```

This will not work (will repeat each item in iterable):

```
zip(*[iterable] * n)
```



Exceptions

Exceptions

EAFP

vs

LBYL





Exceptions

Error handling is done through exceptions.

Exceptions caught in try blocks and handled in except blocks

```
>>> try:
...     # code that may error
>>> except:
...     # code to execute if error occurs
```



Try / Finally

```
>>> try:
...     # code that may error
>>> except Exception1:
...     # code to execute if error occurs
>>> except Exception2:
...     # code to execute if error occurs
>>> else:
...     # code to execute if no errors occurs
>>> finally:
...     # code that will always be run regardless
```



Exception Example

```
>>> x = 0
>>> y = 5/x
ZeroDivisionError: division by zero

>>> for item in my_list:
...     try:
...         y.append(5 / item)
...     except ZeroDivisionError:
...         # process error and skip long process
...     else:
...         # some long process if no errors occur
...     finally:
...         # clean-up for all items
...
>>> # code continues here
```



Profiling

Profiling

Useful line (%) and cell (%%) magics in Ipython for code profiling:

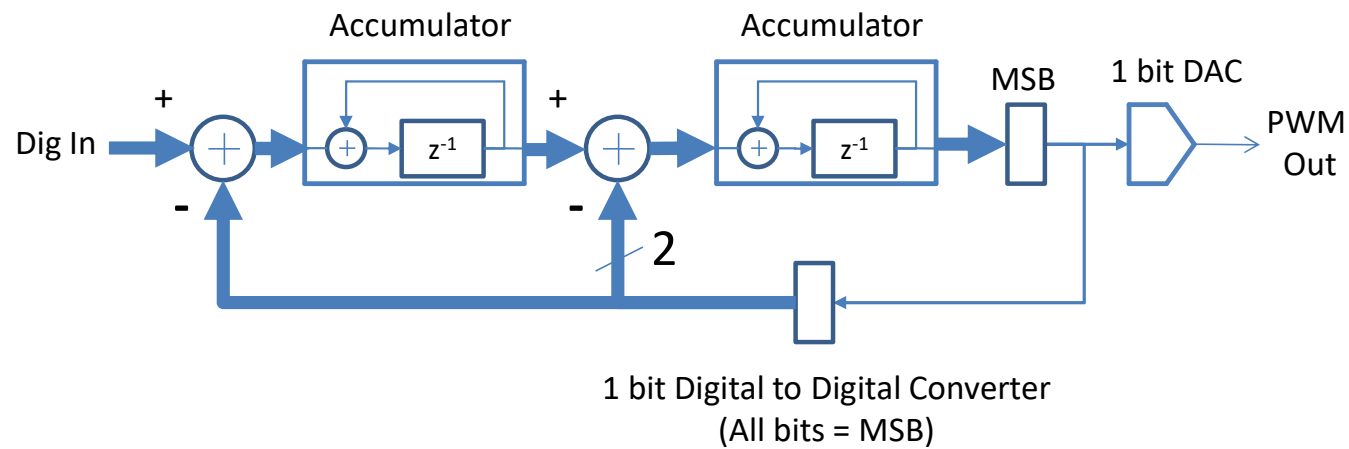
magic	description
<code>%lprun:</code>	line-by-line profiler <--- need to install <code>line_profiler</code>
<code>%memit:</code>	memory use of single statement <--- need to install <code>memory_profiler</code>
<code>%mprun:</code>	line-by-line memory profiler <--- need to install <code>memory_profiler</code>
<code>%prun:</code>	profiler (% line and %% cell)
<code>%time:</code>	execution time of a single statement
<code>%timeit:</code>	loops over statement multiple times for statistical execution time (% line and %% cell)

Profiling is further detailed in Reference Notebook



Code Example

2nd Order Delta Sigma DAC





HW Assignment

Create a Delta Sigma DAC per the function definition prototype and block diagram on next slides.

function parameters passed in:

`input_values`: iterable representing desired output level vs time `[-5,-5,-5,-5,3,2,...]` (over **many** samples output will average to a scaled version of this level, which can change with time)

`input_width`: single integer representing bit width of input

function returns:

`ds_gen`: iterator generator (only the values 0 and 1 as the pulse-width-modulated (PWM) output

BONUS CHALLENGE: Make your function accept either an input as a list or a single constant with an optional parameter of total samples to run, with a default duration of 500 samples; for case of a single constant, have it repeat that constant value as input for the total number of samples.



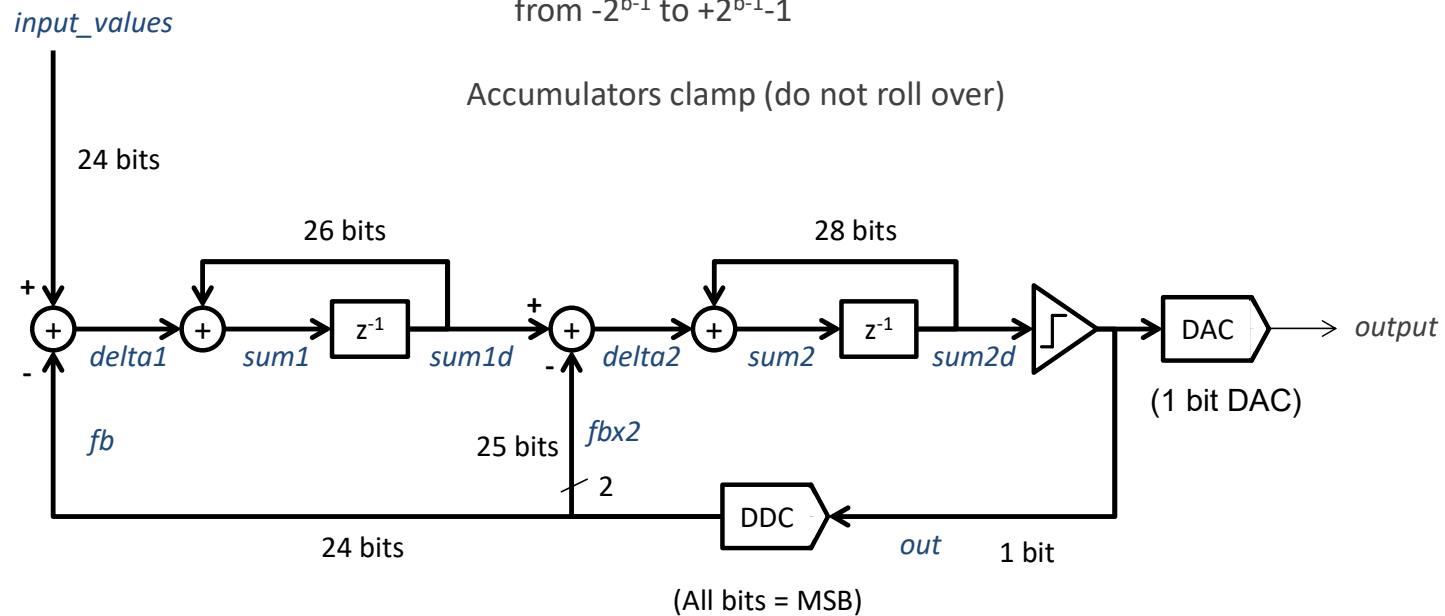
HW Assignment

```
def DsGen(input_values, input_width):  
    """  
        ....add a doc string....  
    """  
  
    # initial values  
    ....add code....  
    # start for loop:  
  
        # synchronous ops: what happens on rising clk edge  
        ....add code....  
  
        # asynchronous ops: what happens in between clks  
        ....add code....  
  
    yield ds_gen
```

DAC Implementation

All *values* are represented as signed integers from -2^{b-1} to $+2^{b-1}-1$

Accumulators clamp (do not roll over)



out is 1 bit: out = 0 for $\text{sum2d} < 0$; out = 1 for $\text{sum2d} \geq 0$

fb is either -2^{b-1} when out is 0, or $+2^{b-1}-1$ when out is 1

fbx2 is approximately $2 \times \text{fb}$; specifically use -2^b and $+2^{b-1}$



HW Assignment

```
while (not_done and its_not_tues):
    result = write_code_using_spyder()
    if (you_dont_get_it):
        review(first_order_implementation_from_mod1)
        review(all_course_slides)
        review(ds_block_diagrams)
        continue
    elif (confused_about_python):
        review(docs.python.org)
        continue
    elif (really_stuck):
        print(curse_words)
        email(boschen@loglin.com, curse_words = None)
        continue
    else:
        download(test_case, dropbox/session4/data)
        compare(result, test_case)
```

Note: Test case for comparing results will be posted to the Session 4 data folder

The screenshot displays the Spyder Python IDE interface. The main window is titled "Spyder (Python 3.8)". The menu bar includes File, Edit, Search, Source, Run, Debug, Consoles, Projects, Tools, View, and Help. The toolbar contains icons for file operations, running, and debugging. The file explorer on the left shows the current file "temp.py" located at "C:\Users\bosch\spyder-py3\temp.py". The script editor contains the following Python code:

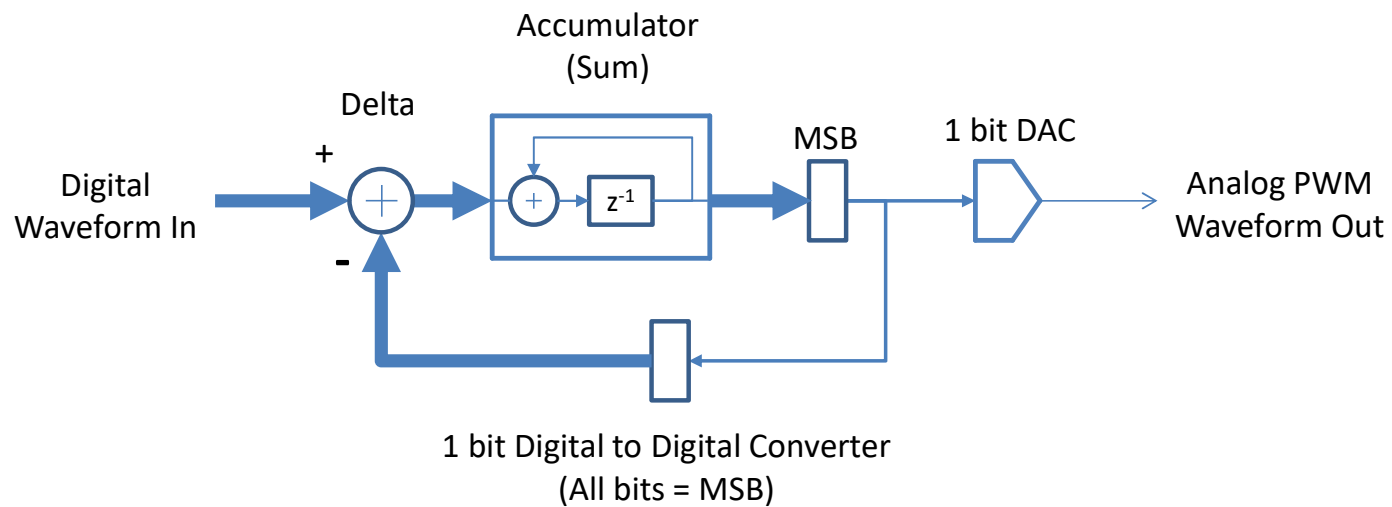
```
1  # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
2  """
3  Spyder Editor
4
5  This is a temporary script file.
6  """
7
8
9  def my_func(x):
10     y = x + 2
11     z = y**2
12     w = y * z
13     print(f"We know that w = {w}, when x = {x}")
14     return w
15
16
17 if (__name__ == '__main__'):
18     # do some tests
19     print(my_func(5))
20
```

The variable explorer on the right shows a table with columns: Name, Type, Size, and Value. It contains one entry: "test" of type "str" with size "1" and value "Startup script: Dropbox/pyt...". Below the variable explorer is the IPython console, which shows "In [6]:". The status bar at the bottom indicates "LSP Python: ready", "conda: base (Python 3.8.3)", "Line 1, Col 3", "UTF-8", "CRLF", "RW", and "Mem 32%".

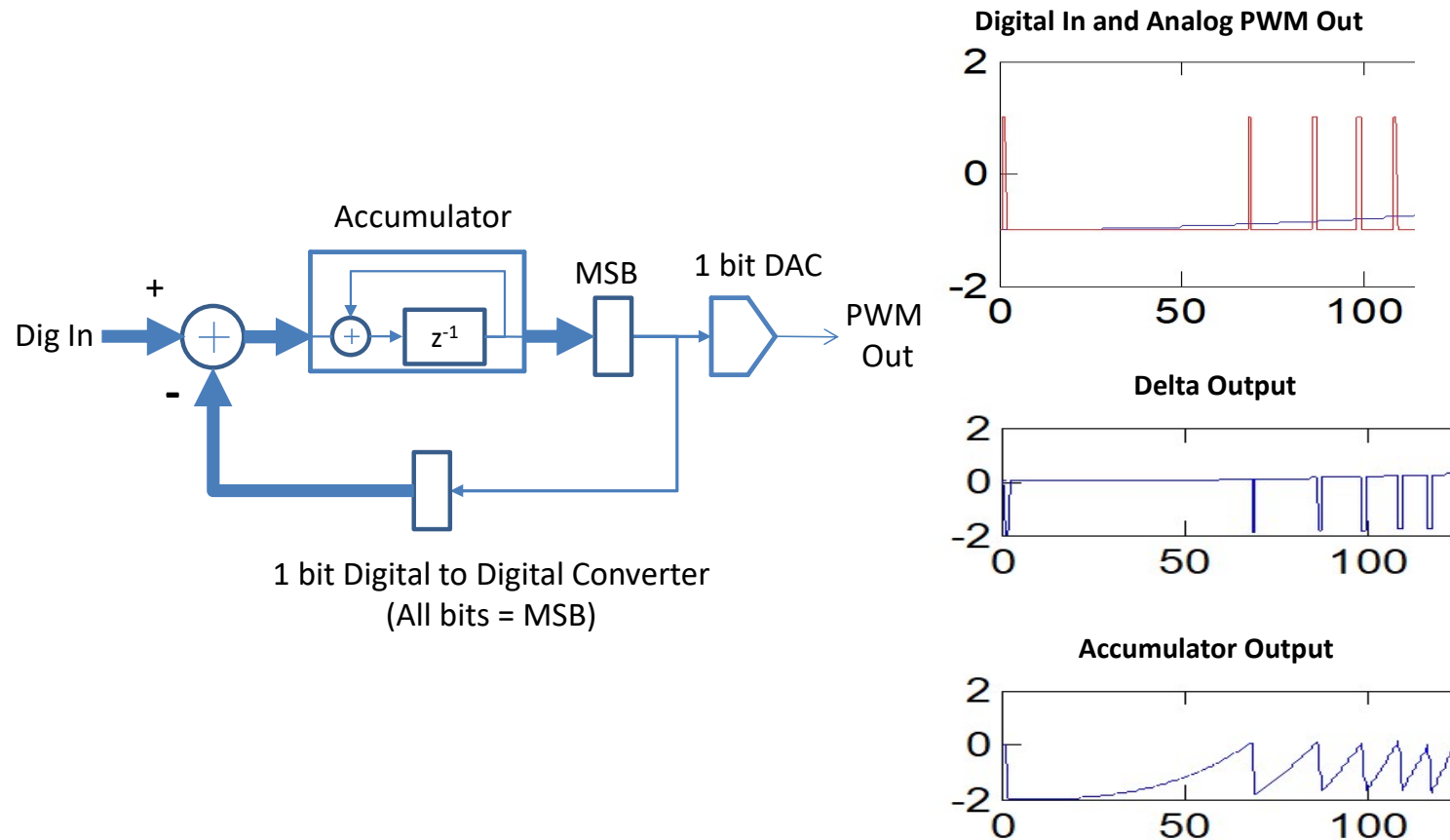


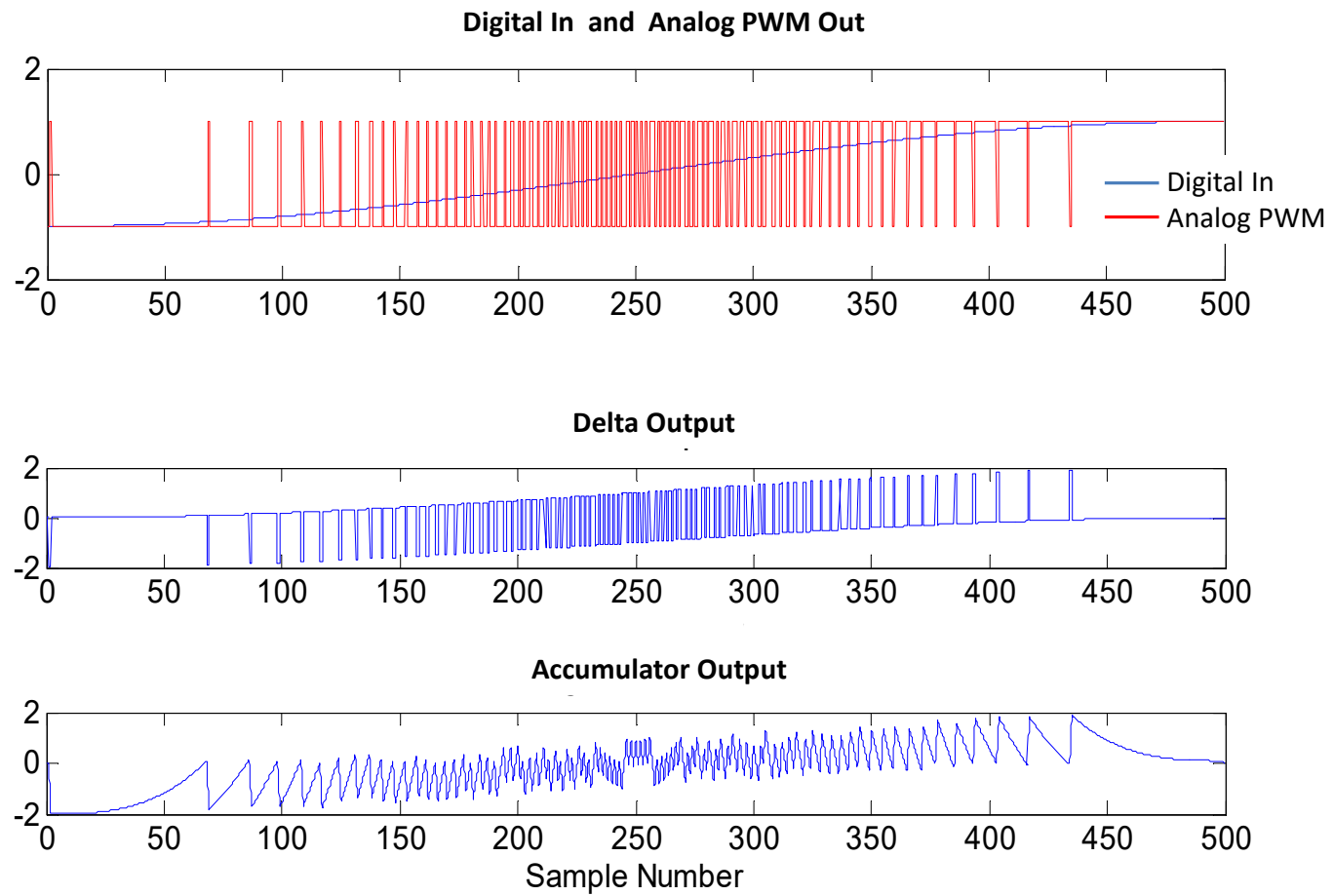
Backup Slides

First Order Delta Sigma DAC



Delta Sigma Waveforms





Keyword-Only Parameters

Keyword-Only Parameters:

```
def add_these(x, y, *, k, m, z = 5):  
    do_stuff()
```

As done above k, m and z are forced to be keyword only.

The interpreter knows to ignore the * position as part of the Python language syntax. (But *x would be a variable number of positional parameters followed by kw only)

Positional-Only Parameters

New in Python 3.8: Positional Only Keywords:

```
def add_these(x, y, /, k, m, z = 5):  
    do_stuff()
```

As done above would force x and y to be positional only.

(This was previously reserved for certain built-in functions (as also indicated by a / in the parameter help for those functions))



Text Serialization (JSON)

JSON is a widely interoperable text stream serialization format that uses the json module from the standard library. JSON can only represent a subset of the Python built-in types.

Example:

```
import json

# to save
with open('my_vars.json','w') as f:
    json.dump([var1,var2], f)           # list of objs or single

# to restore
with open('my_vars.json', 'r') as f:
    var1, var2 = json.load(f)
```

Binary Serialization (Pickle)

Pickle is a python specific byte stream serialization format that uses the pickle module from the standard library. 'Pickling' serializes data to a byte-stream, and the data is recovered by 'unpickling', and can be used to save objects containing data to a file.

Example:

```
import pickle

# to save
with open('my_vars.pkl','wb') as f:
    pickle.dump([var1,var2], f)          # list of objs or single obj
# to restore
with open('my_vars.pkl', 'rb' as f:
    var1, var2 = pickle.load(f)
```




More Resources

When / Where to use Lambda Functions

<https://treyhunner.com/2018/09/stop-writing-lambda-expressions/>

(Great summary and helpful to avoid misuse)

Secrets of coding poorly:

<https://docs.quantifiedcode.com/python-anti-patterns/index.html>

Pipelining with Coroutines

