

③ Zero-crossing Rate: (ZCR)

Unvoiced has high
Voiced has low

④ Presence of pitch:

Voiced has high pitch
Unvoiced has low pitch. (aspiration).

④ Auto-correlation.

Voiced has high auto-correlation coefficient
Unvoiced has low auto-correlation coefficient

⑤ Band Ratio: $\frac{\text{Energy upto 1 kHz}}{\text{Total energy}}$

High for voiced

Low for unvoiced.

⑥ Linear prediction error:

$$\hat{s}[k] = \sum a_k s[n-k]$$

$$\hat{s}[n] = \sum a_k s[n-k]$$

$$\text{error} = s[n] - \sum a_k s[n-k]$$

more for unvoiced
less for voiced } → Explanation:
autocorrelation
coefficient.

Normalized LP error analysis:

⑦ First LP coefficient:

considers a_1 ,

a_1 is in voiced than unvoiced because voiced has high autocorrelation
coefficient than in unvoiced.

Pitch modification } Trade off
time-scale modification }
modify time-scale + pitch changes
modify pitch, time scale changes.

Voiced and unvoiced speech detection:

three types of regions:

Voiced — all vowels

unvoiced

Silence. — noise

Voiced region has better features.

Speech coding (AMR) — adaptive multi-rate coder.

64Kbps: 4.4Kbps — 12.2Kbps
(silence) (Voiced)

Pitch detection

Extend block to speaker recognition.

Voiced vs unvoiced detection algorithms:

① Energy Threshold:

Voiced ↑

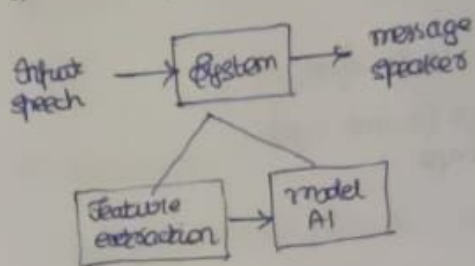
Unvoiced ↓

Drawback: Noise also have high energy and will be detected as unvoiced / voiced signal.

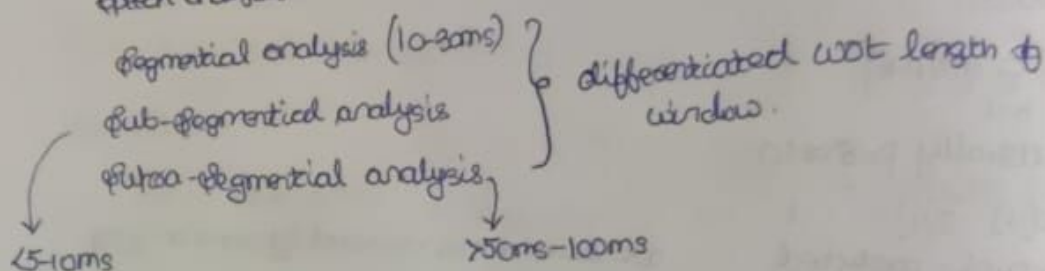
Not suitable method.

LP spectrum — Envelope of the AT
↓
outputs envelope.

Speech Analysis :



Speech analysis :



Segmental is most popular because the duration can cover around 2 to 3 pitch cycles

20ms = fixed frame size
2 to 3 pitch cycles.

Segmental analysis — VTS, Excitatory

Sub-segmental analysis — Excitatory

Supra-segmental analysis — Prosody

Pitch will not be there when the speaker is unvoiced (not talking)
Pitch can vary within a person.

Fast-time Fourier transform works good if signal in my window is stationary.

Frame size??

FT works if whole signal is stationary. But speech is dynamic.

Spectrogram — implements STFT

STFT: for a signal, STFT is not unique, depends on window size (frame size), window shape.

Usually, good frame size ~20ms.

LTI model of speech:

Linear prediction:

$$\hat{s}[n] = \sum_{k=1}^P a_k s[n-k]$$

usually $P=8$ or 10 .

$$e[n] = s[n] - \hat{s}[n]$$

actual - predicted.

a_k values can be obtained by minimizing $\sum e[n]^2$.

Z-Transformation $\Rightarrow s[n] - \sum_{k=1}^P a_k s[n-k]$

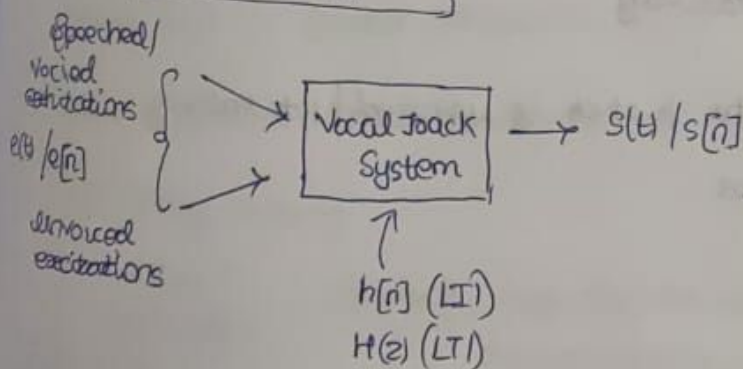
$$E(z) = S(z) - \sum_{k=1}^P a_k z^{-k} S(z)$$

$$\frac{E(z)}{S(z)} = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^P a_k z^{-k}$$

$$e[n], \frac{d}{da_k}(e[n]) = 0$$

$$\boxed{\frac{S(z)}{E(z)} = \frac{1}{1 - \sum_{k=1}^P a_k z^{-k}}}$$

Transfer Function of vocal tract system.



$$s[n] = e[n] * h[n]$$

$$H(z) = \frac{S(z)}{E(z)} \quad \text{Synthesis equation}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 - \sum_{k=1}^P a_k z^{-k}} \quad (\text{all pole system})$$

$$\frac{1}{H(z)} = \frac{E(z)}{S(z)} = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^P a_k z^{-k}$$

(analysis equation)
(all zero system)

Semivowels: Vocal tract is not completely closed nor completely open.

ow, o, ə, ɔ
y, ɪ, l, v

Fricatives: Friction in the excitation process

h, sh, zh, k, s

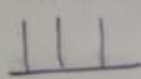
Co-articulation:

Before one sound production ends, other sound production starts.

Consider (early, extra) — Co-articulation.

Both are different.

Formants:

air → vocal folds →  → VTM → Resonate frequency vibrations

These frequencies are more or less same for a phone by every person.

Frequencies of a syllable are approximately same produced by any person. These are called formants.

Lecture: 4

Recap: Vocal tract system, excitations

most important things of speech production.

Vowels = 150-300ms, Consonants duration = 10-120ms

Consider a signal with vowels a, e, i

and another signal with vowels e, i, a

How to identify the vowels

Fourier transform? Not useful because FT spectrums of both the signals are more or less the same.

Answer: STFT

Short time Fourier transform.

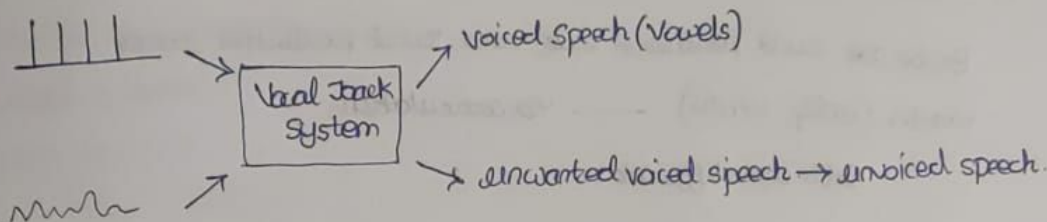
manner of articulation ——— articulation characteristics

place of articulation ——— system (vocal tract) characteristics.

Generally,

vowels have high strength and long duration

consonants have low strength and low duration



For all vowels, vocal tract system must be closed.

All vowels are voiced and have no constriction.

For consonants:

PPA: Place where you put a constriction in producing a consonant in vocal tract system.

Place of articulation	manner of articulation				Nasals	Semivowels
	Unvoiced unaspirated	Unvoiced aspirated	Voiced unaspirated	Voiced aspirated		
Velar	k	kh	g	gh	kn	
Palatal	ch	chh	j	jh	chn	ɟ
Alveolar	T	Th	D	Dh	Tn	ɹ
Dental	t	th	d	dh	n	l
Bilabial	p	ph	b	bh	m	ʋ

* There is the basic sound production unit

Syllable is the combination of phones.

90% Indian syllables are consonant vowel combination. (kə, thə, pə)

Linear and time invariant systems:

$$x_1(t) \rightarrow \boxed{} \rightarrow y(t)$$

$$x_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{} \rightarrow y(t)$$

$$ax_1(t) + bx_2(t) \rightarrow \boxed{} \rightarrow ay_1(t) + by_2(t)$$

Linear system

$$x(t) \rightarrow y(t)$$

$$x(t-t_0) \rightarrow y(t-t_0)$$

time invariant system.

Z-transform:

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] z^{-n}$$

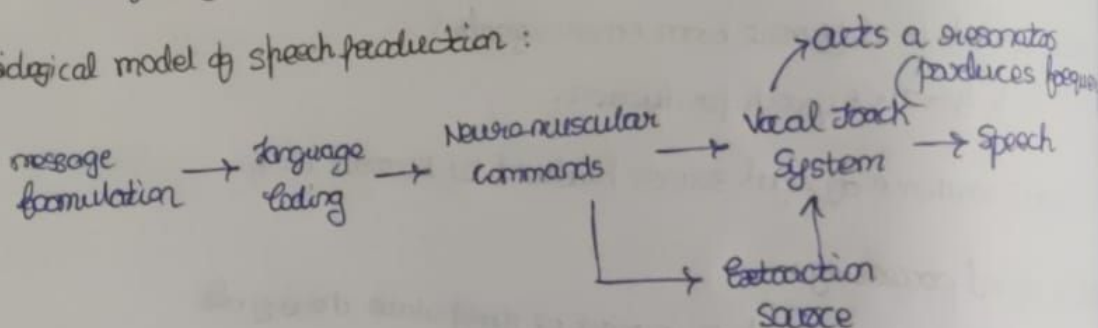
$$z = re^{j\theta}$$

r is added because sometimes $\sum x[n]$ is not summable but $\sum x[n] r^n$ may be summable.

When $r=1$, $z=e^{j\theta}$, $X(z)$ becomes discrete time Fourier transform (DTFT).

assume if only $X(z)$ is given, it is insignificant without ROC.

Physiological model of speech production:

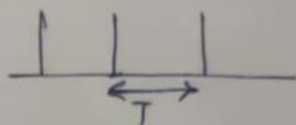


Larynx: acts as excitator.

Rate of vocal fold vibration is called speech (or) pitch.

children > female > male

Vocal folds, when they are open, air passes through vocal folds as an impulse.



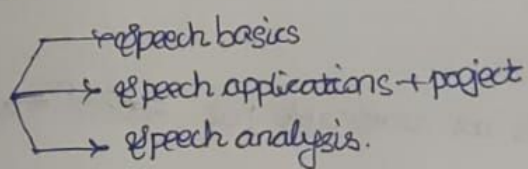
$$\frac{1}{T} = \text{pitch} = \text{rate of vocal fold vibrations.}$$

Each impulse = epochs / ISE.

Speech Signal Processing

grading policy:

Quiz - 10%
midsem - 20%
assignments - 20%
Project - 25% (10% - mid, 15% - end)
Endsem - 25%



why speech processing needed?

Human Computer Interaction.

easy accessible of technology to all classes of people.

How speech is different from other signals?

↳ involves speech production.

legal sequence of legal sounds produced by human being.

what is signal processing:

mathematical approach to extract or manipulate the signals.

Fourier transform:

$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

} continuous Fourier transform

0-4KHz sounds are understandable by humans.

$x(t)$

↓ sampling
 $x[n]$

$$X(e^{j\omega}) \text{ (DTFT)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$

sampling DTFT = DFT

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X(k) e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$