

Lecture by Udo Zölzer

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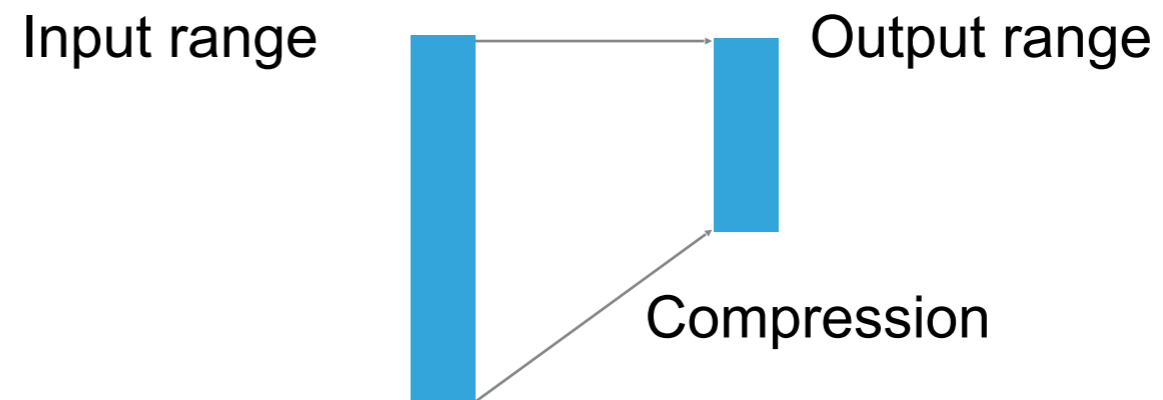
DYNAMIC RANGE CONTROL

OUTLINE

- ▶ Basics
- ▶ Static curve
- ▶ Dynamic behavior
- ▶ Realization aspects

APPLICATIONS

- ▶ Fitting the dynamic range of the audio signal to the application



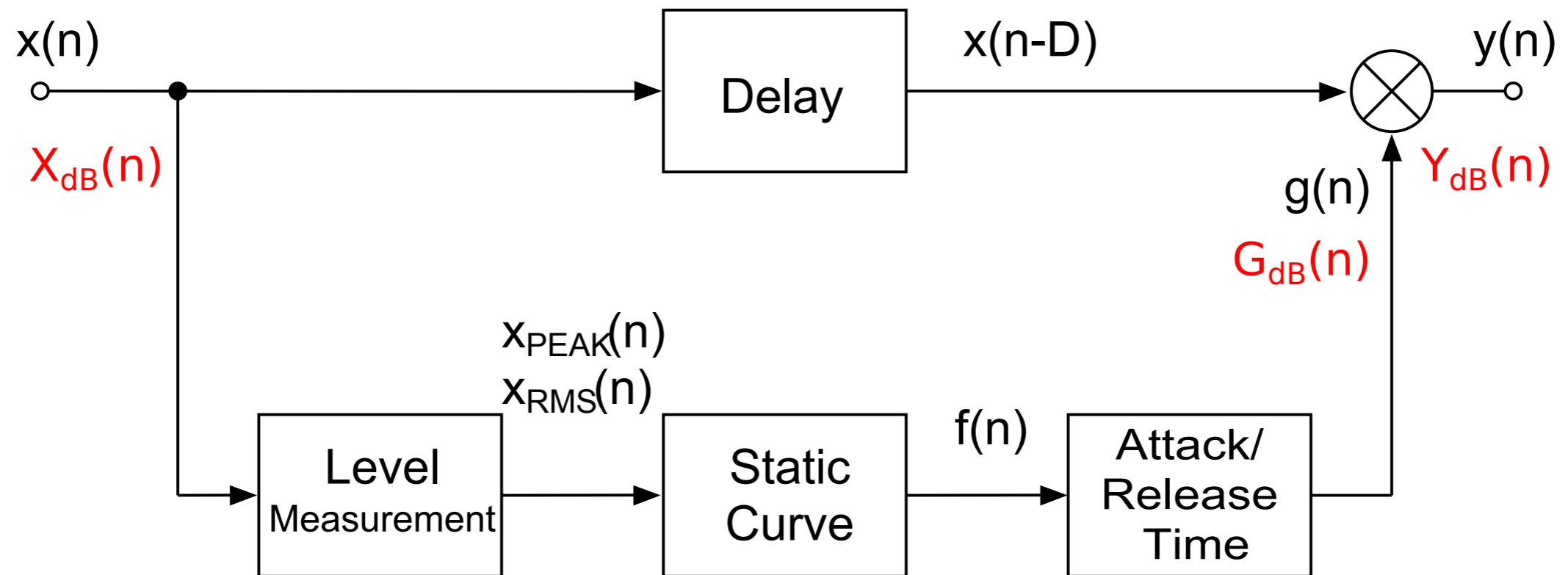
- ▶ Microphone processing



- ▶ Car entertainment (automatic volume control)



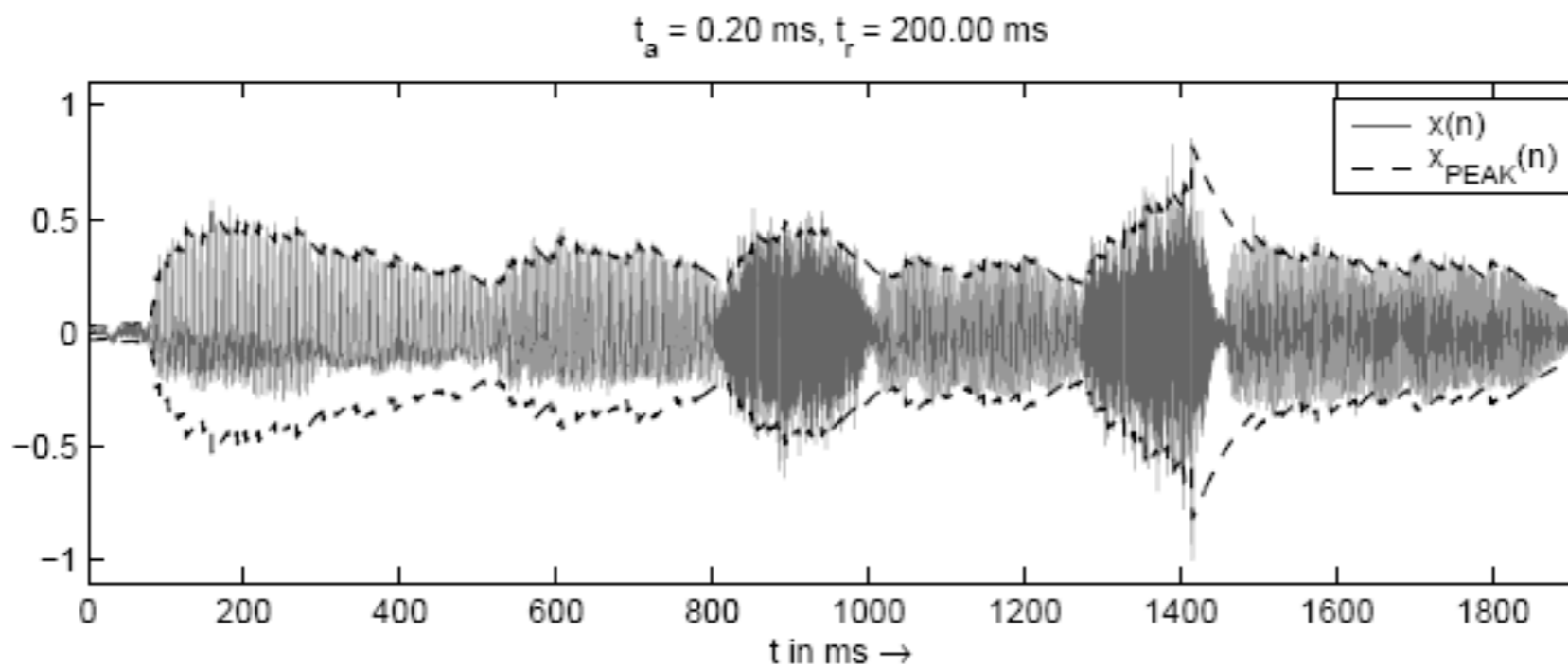
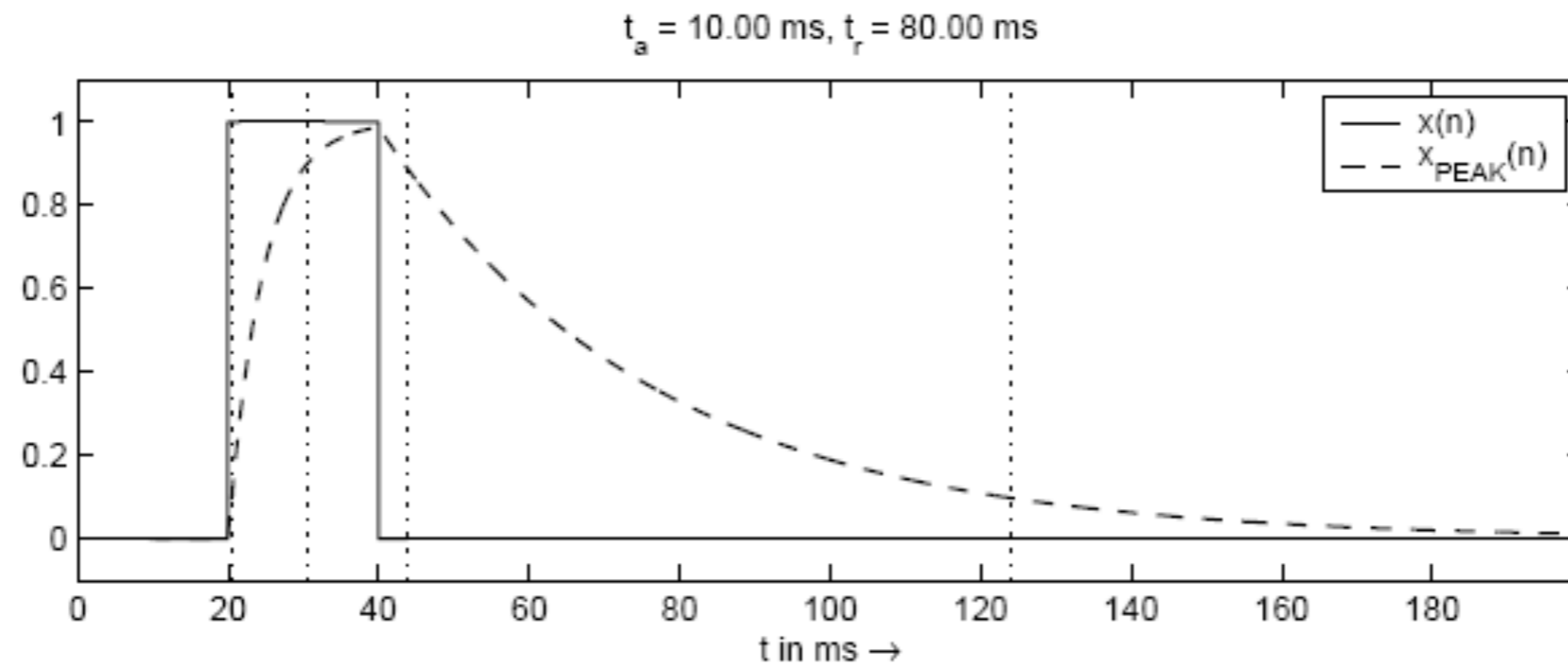
FUNCTIONAL UNITS



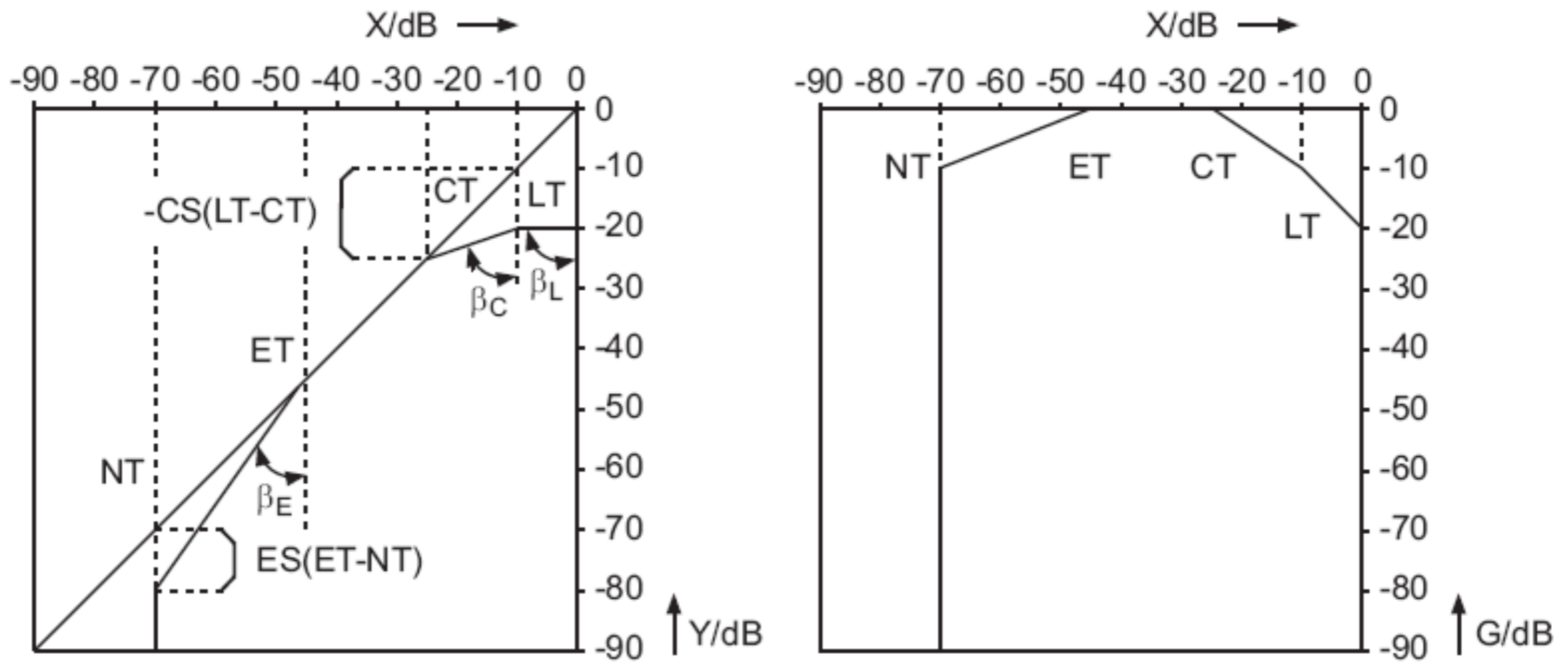
$$y(n) = g(n) \cdot x(n - D) \Rightarrow Y(e^{j\Omega}) = G(e^{j\Omega}) * X(e^{j\Omega})e^{-jD\Omega}$$

$$Y_{dB}(n) = G_{dB}(n) + X_{dB}(n)$$

ATTACK AND RELEASE TIMES



STATIC CURVE



$$Y_{dB}(n) = X_{dB}(n) + G_{dB}(n)$$

PEAK LEVEL MEASUREMENT

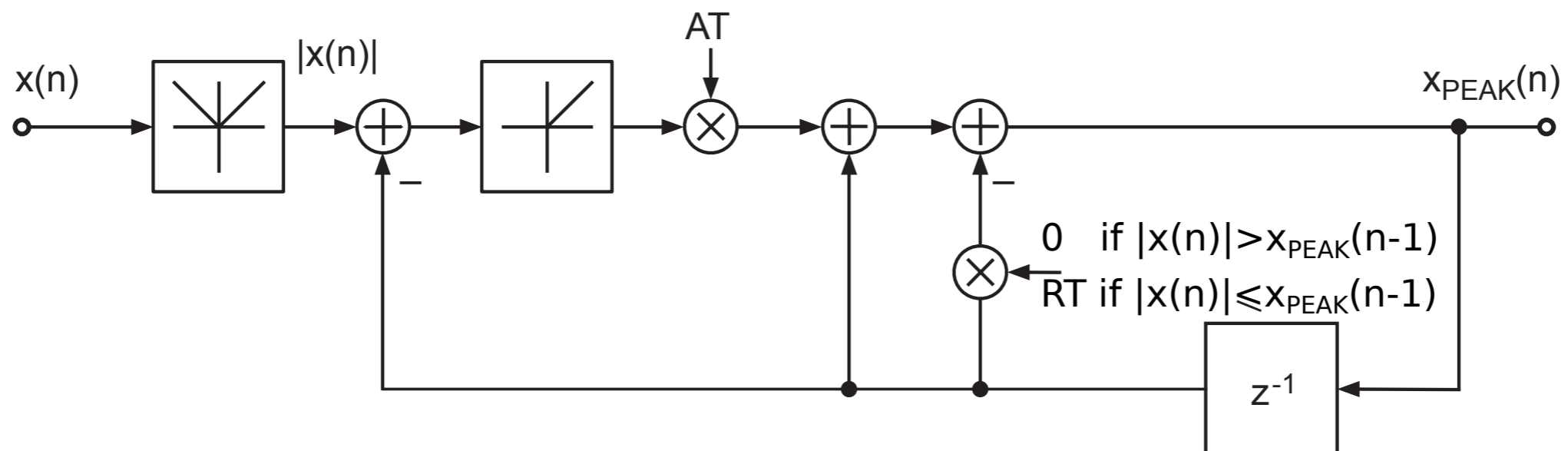
Attack operation

$$x_{\text{PEAK}}(n) = (1 - \text{AT}) \cdot x_{\text{PEAK}}(n - 1) + \text{AT} \cdot |x(n)| \quad H(z) = \frac{\text{AT}}{1 - (1 - \text{AT})z^{-1}}$$

Release operation

$$x_{\text{PEAK}}(n) = (1 - \text{RT}) \cdot x_{\text{PEAK}}(n - 1) \quad H(z) = \frac{1}{1 - (1 - \text{RT})z^{-1}}$$

AT attack time, RT release time



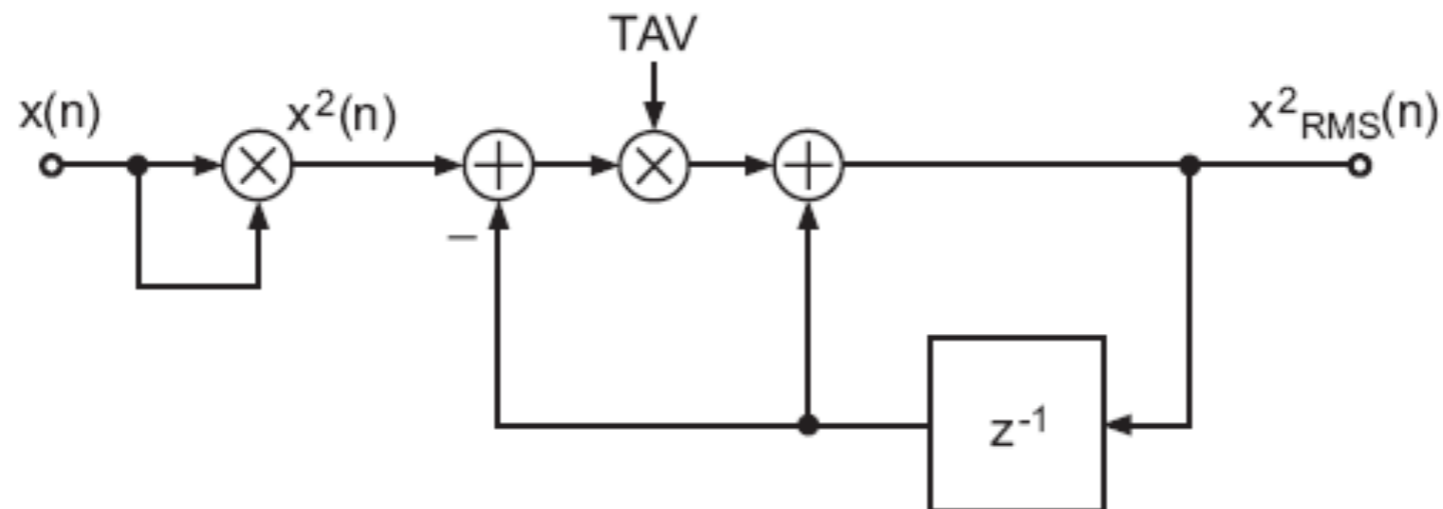
RMS LEVEL MEASUREMENT

$$x_{\text{RMS}}(n) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x^2(n-i)}$$

$$x_{\text{RMS}}^2(n) = (1 - \text{TAV}) \cdot x_{\text{RMS}}^2(n-1) + \text{TAV} \cdot x^2(n)$$

$$H(z) = \frac{\text{TAV}}{1 - (1 - \text{TAV})z^{-1}}$$

TAV averaging time



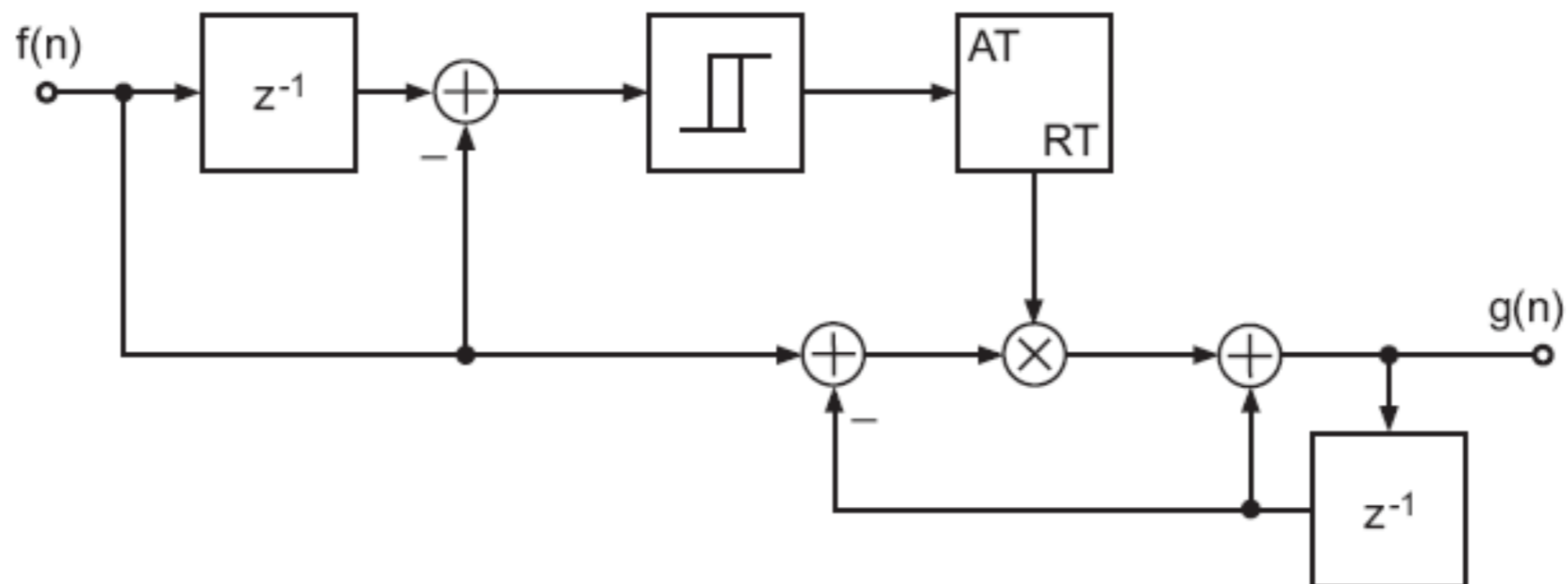
ATTACK/RELEASE TIME – GAIN FACTOR SMOOTHING

$$g(n) = (1 - k) \cdot g(n - 1) + k \cdot f(n).$$

$$H(z) = \frac{k}{1 - (1 - k)z^{-1}}.$$

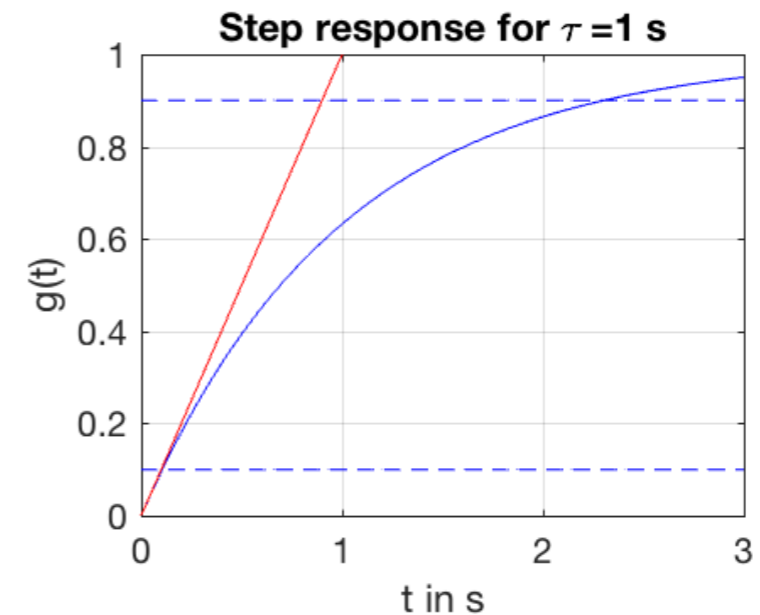
$f(n) < f(n-1) \rightarrow$ RT

$f(n) \geq f(n-1) \rightarrow$ AT



TIME CONSTANTS - 1

Step response



$$g(t) = \epsilon(t) - e^{-t/\tau} \cdot \epsilon(t) \quad \text{with time constant} \quad \tau$$

$$g(nT_S) = \epsilon(nT_S) - e^{-nT_S/\tau} \cdot \epsilon(nT_S)$$

$$= \epsilon(nT_S) - z_{\infty}^n \cdot \epsilon(nT_S) \quad \text{with} \quad z_{\infty} = e^{-T_S/\tau}$$

Z-Transform of step response

$$\begin{aligned} G(z) &= \frac{z}{z-1} - \frac{1}{1-z_{\infty}z^{-1}} \\ &= \frac{1-z_{\infty}}{(z-1)(1-z_{\infty}z^{-1})} \end{aligned}$$

TIME CONSTANTS - 2

Attack time in sec

$$t_a = t_{90} - t_{10}$$

$$0.1 = 1 - e^{-t_{10}/\tau}$$

$$0.9/0.1 = e^{(t_{90}-t_{10})/\tau}$$

$$0.9 = 1 - e^{-t_{90}/\tau}$$

$$\ln(0.9/0.1) = (t_{90} - t_{10})/\tau$$

$$t_a = t_{90} - t_{10} = 2.2\tau.$$




$$\tau = \frac{t_a}{2.2}$$

$$z_\infty = e^{-T_s/\tau} = e^{-2.2 \cdot T_s/t_a}$$

Z-Transform of impulse response derived
from Z-Transform of step response

$$H(z) = \frac{z-1}{z} G(z).$$



$$H(z) = \frac{1 - z_\infty}{1 - z_\infty z^{-1}} \cdot z^{-1} = \frac{k}{1 - (1 - k)z^{-1}} \cdot z^{-1}$$

STEREO PROCESSING

