

# ECE 797: Speech and Audio Processing

Hand-out for Lecture #4  
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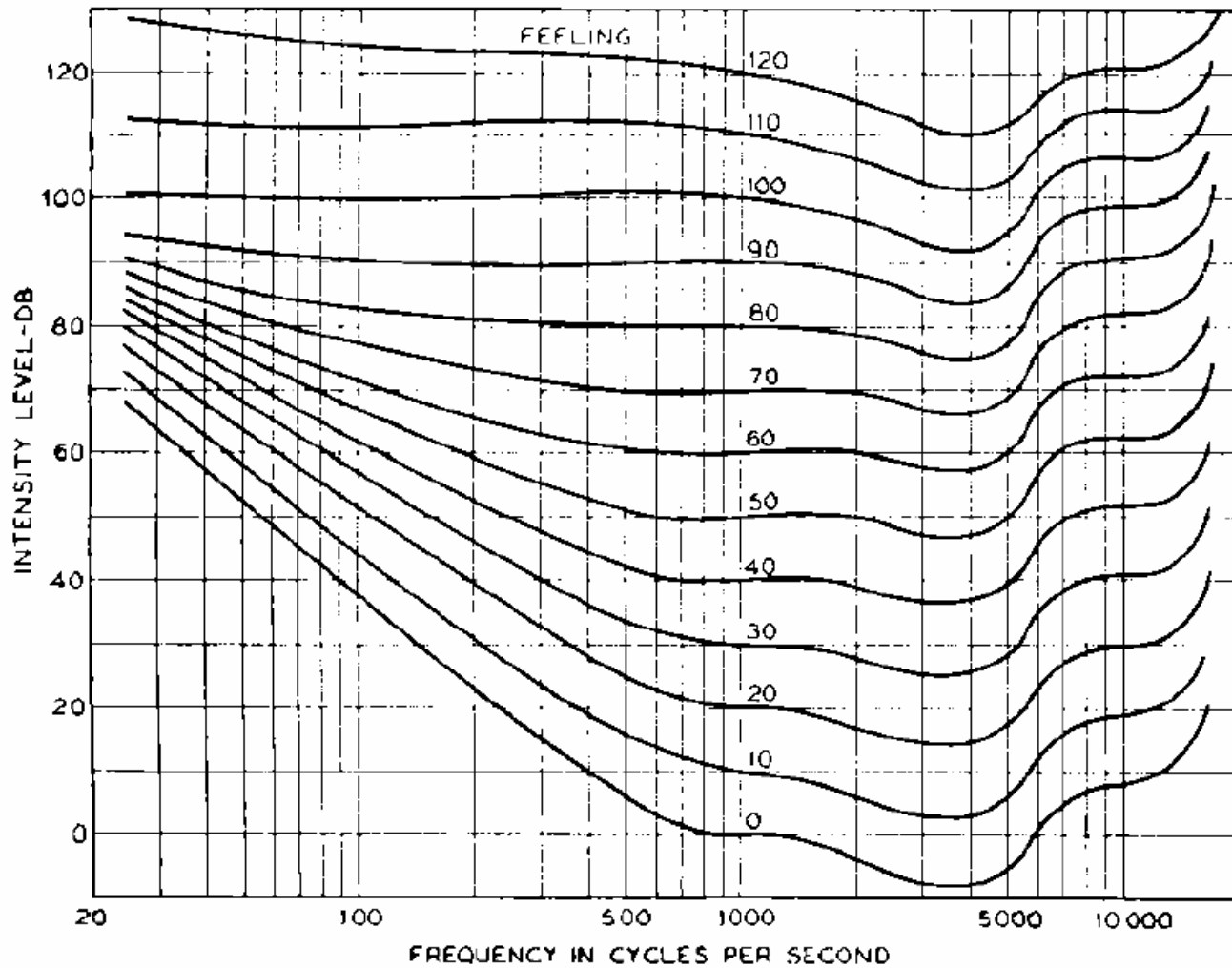
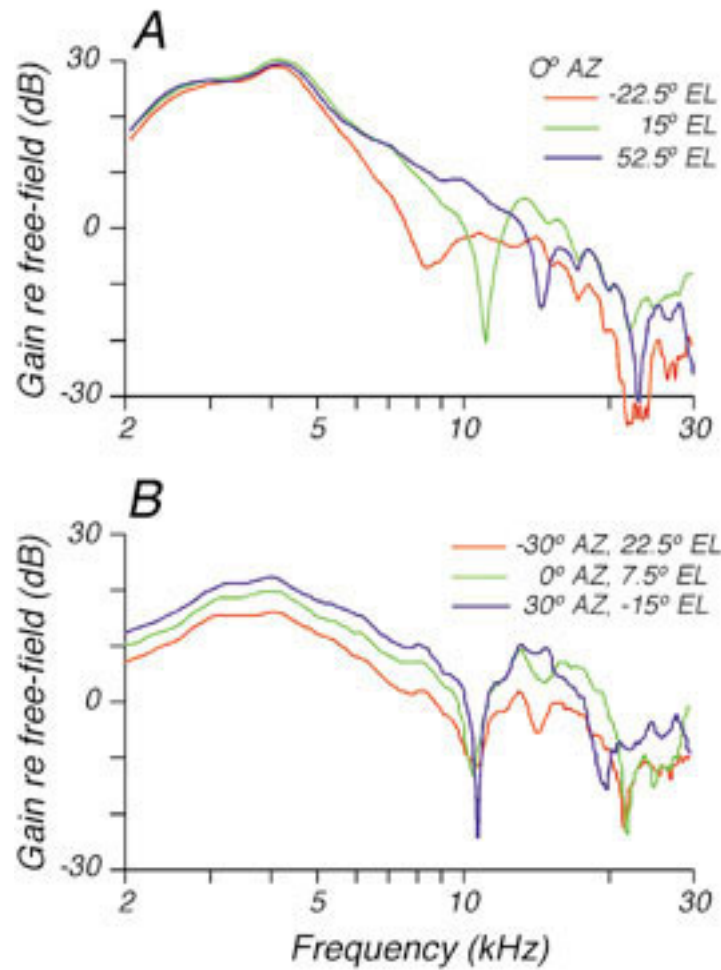
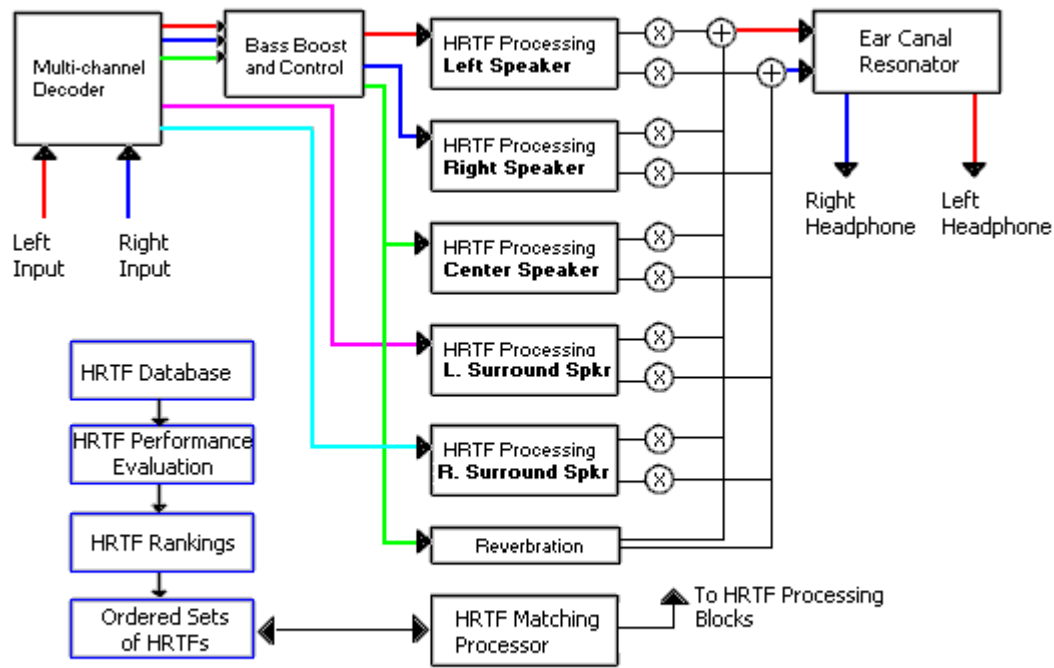


FIG. 4. Loudness level contours.

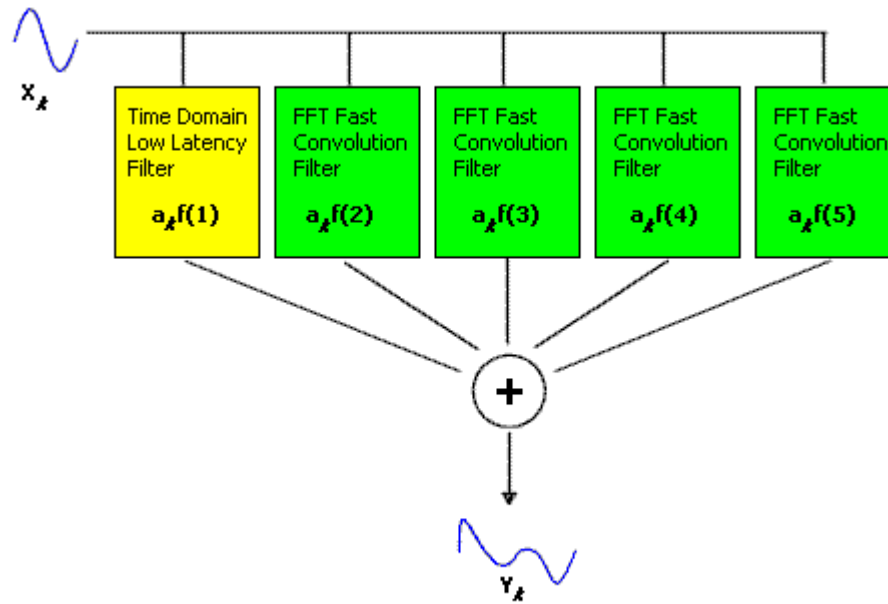
(Fletcher and Munson, 1933)



(Davis et al., JARO, 2003)



**Multi-channel Signal Processor For Headphones**  
 (T.J. Tucker, D.M. Green, Patent # 5,742,689)



**Composite Digital Filter With Low Latency and High Accuracy**

(Src: David S. McGrath, Patent No. 5,502,747)

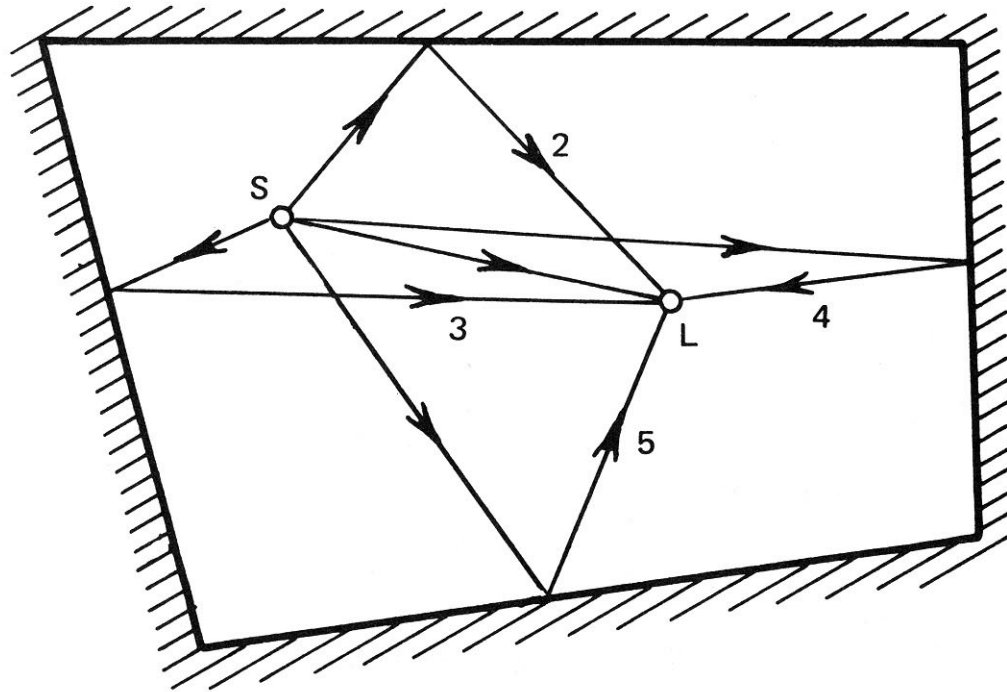
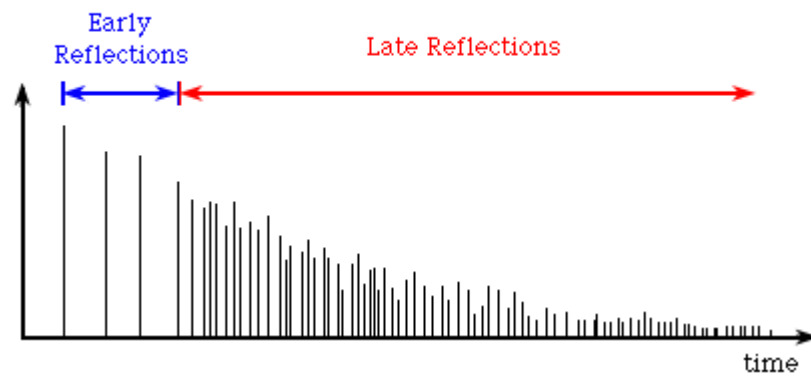


FIGURE 4.26 Example of different propagation paths of a sound wave from source point  $S$  to a listener at  $L$ .

(Roederer, 1994)

# Impulse Response



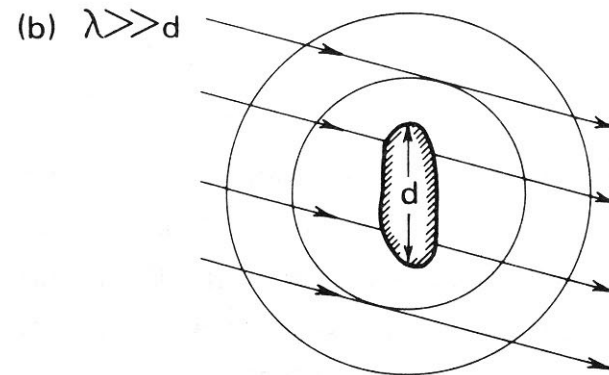
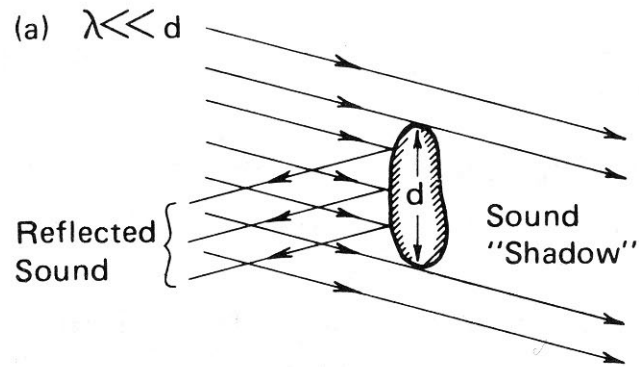


FIGURE 4.28 Sound wave interaction with an obstacle. (a): short wavelengths (reflection and/or absorption); (b): long wavelengths (diffraction).

(Roederer, 1994)



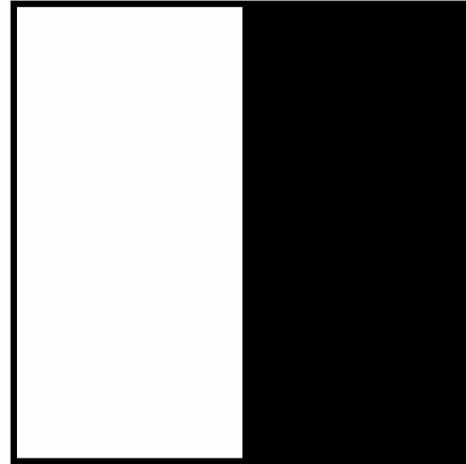
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Perfectly reflective surface



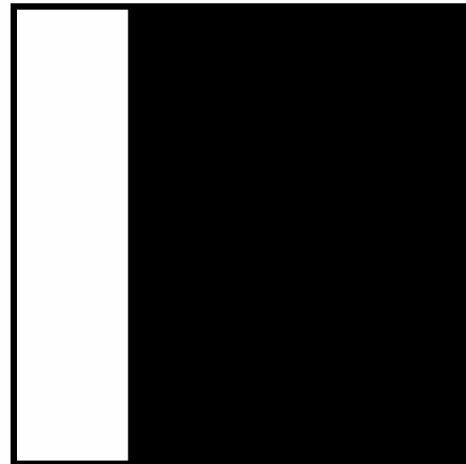
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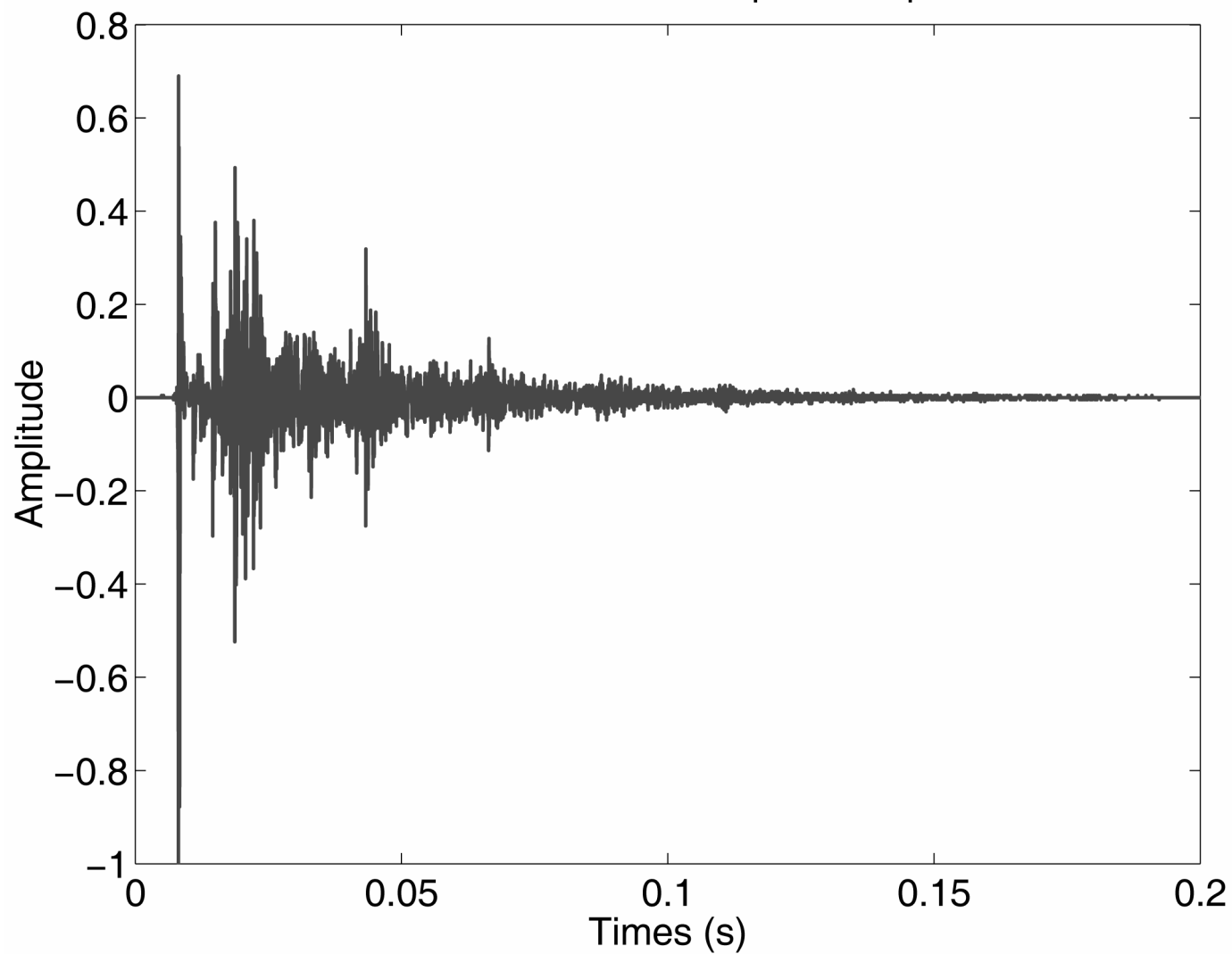
**TABLE 13.1 Effective Absorption Coefficients of Common Building Materials<sup>a</sup>**





Material	Frequency in Hz		
	125	500	2000
Acoustic paneling	0.16	0.50	0.80
Acoustic plaster	0.30	0.50	0.55
Brick wall, unpainted	0.02	0.03	0.05
Draperies			
light	0.04	0.11	0.30
heavy	0.10	0.50	0.82
Felt	0.13	0.56	0.65
Floor			
concrete	0.01	0.02	0.02
wood	0.06	0.06	0.06
carpeted	0.11	0.37	0.27
Glass	0.04	0.05	0.05
Marble or glazed tile	0.01	0.01	0.02
Plaster	0.04	0.05	0.05
Rock wool	0.35	0.63	0.83
Wood paneling, pine	0.10	0.10	0.08

<sup>a</sup>From [3]. The coefficients listed here are only representative.

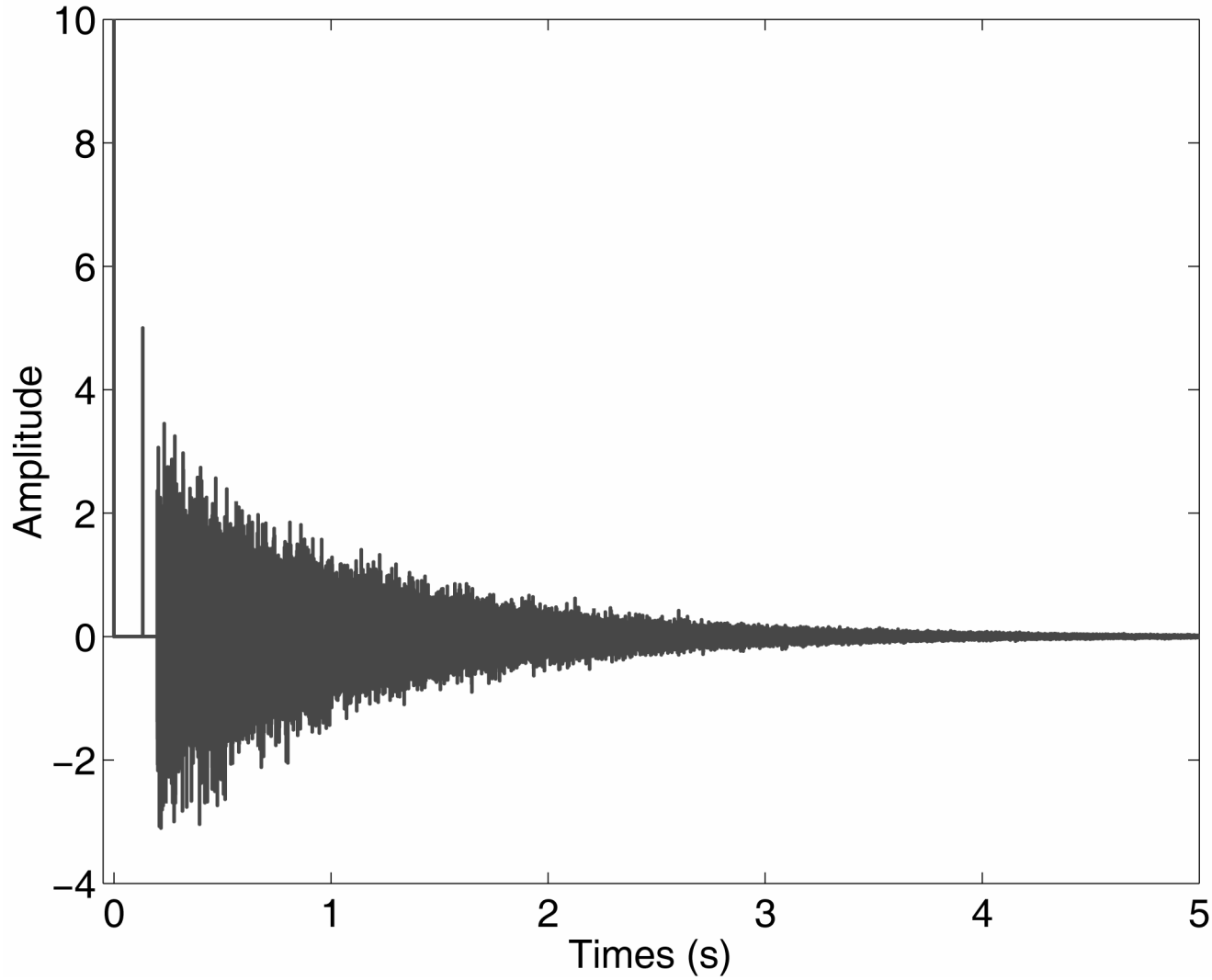
(Gold and Morgan)





Recorded reverberant impulse response



-  Clean speech
-  Reverberant speech
-  Clean music
-  Reverberant music

Artificial reverberant impulse response



-  Clean speech
-  Reverberant speech
-  Clean music
-  Reverberant music

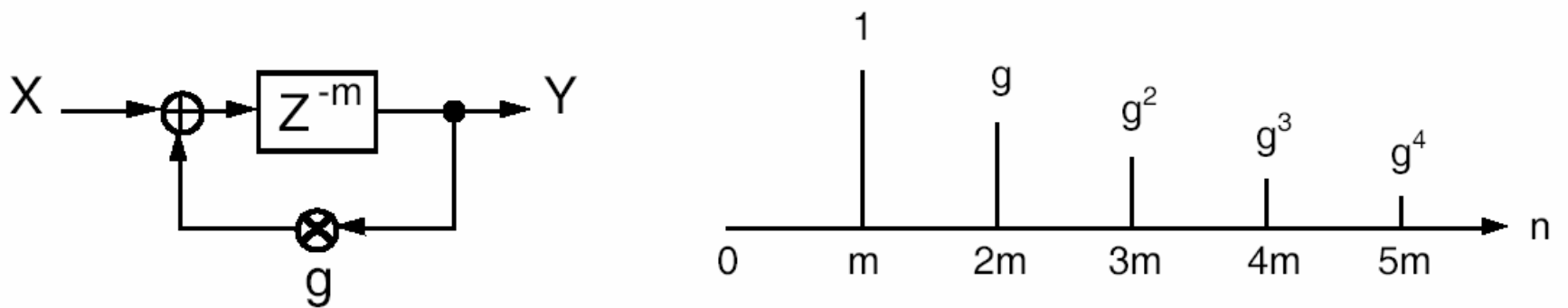
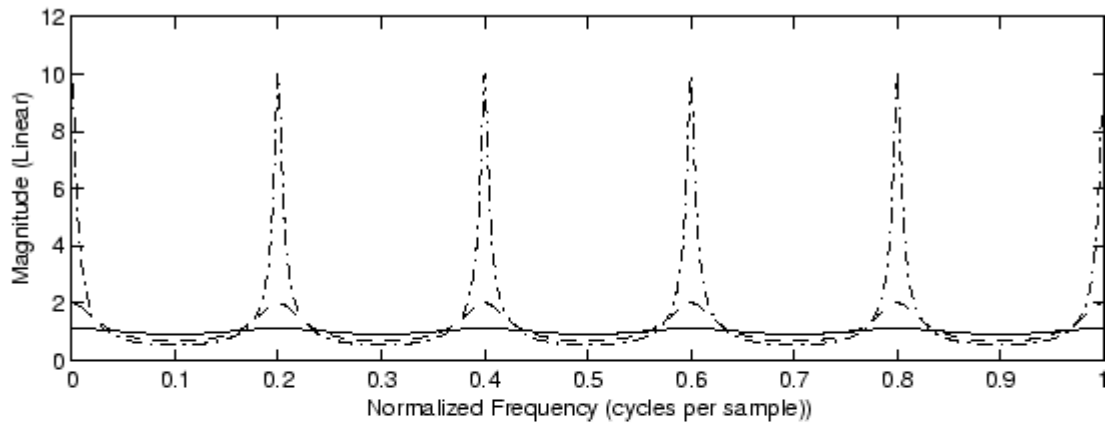


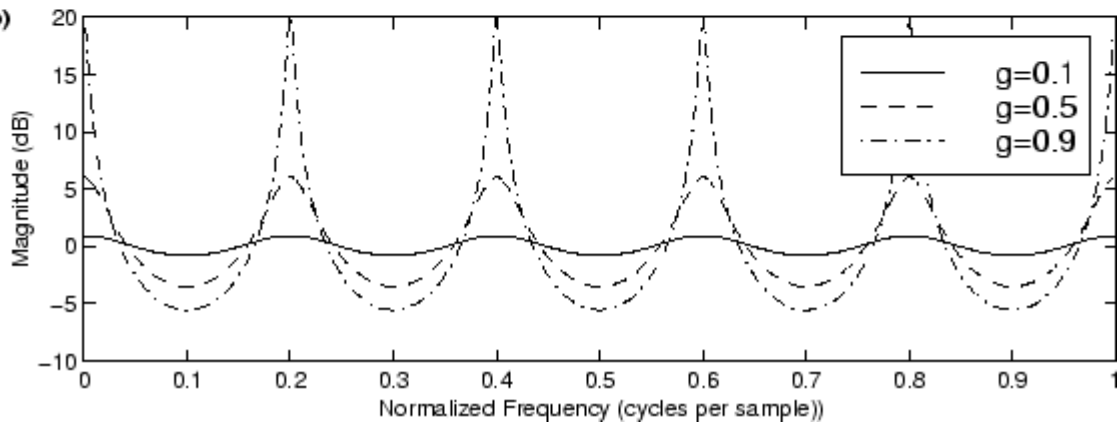
Figure 2.1 Comb filter flow diagram and impulse response.

(Gardner, 1992)

a)



b)



Comb filter frequency response

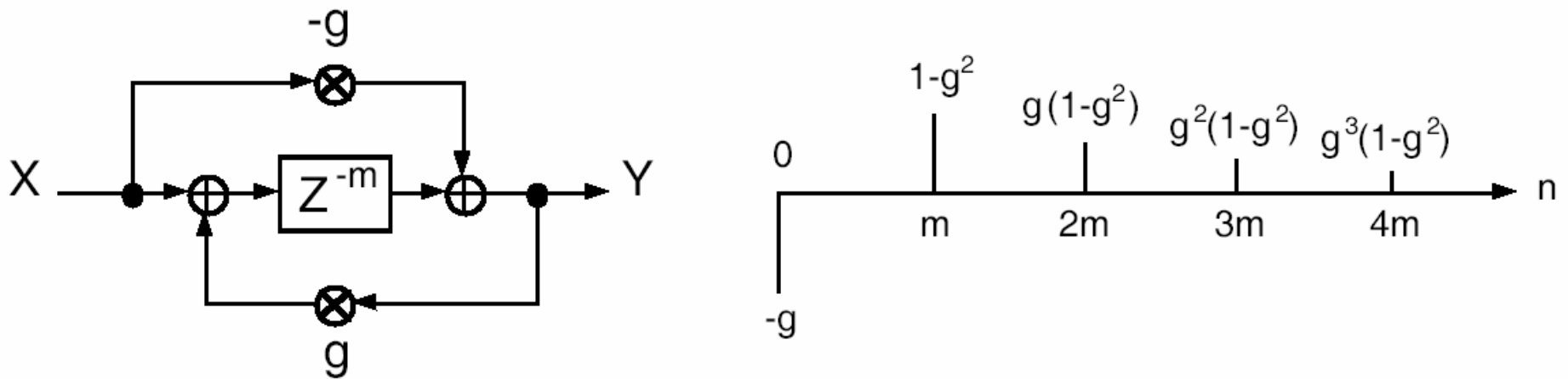


Figure 2.2 Allpass filter flow diagram and impulse response.

(Gardner, 1992)

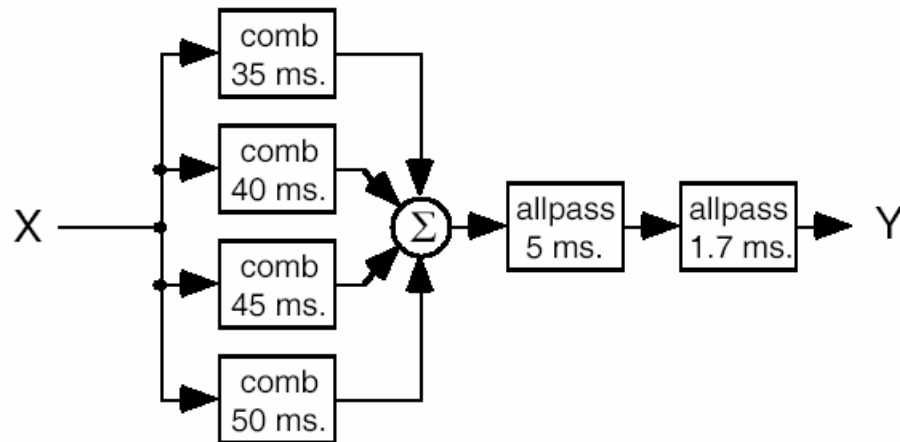


Figure 2.3 Flow diagram of Schroeder reverberator. Delay lengths shown in milliseconds, allpass filter gains are 0.7, comb gains are determined by desired reverberation time.

(Gardner, 1992)



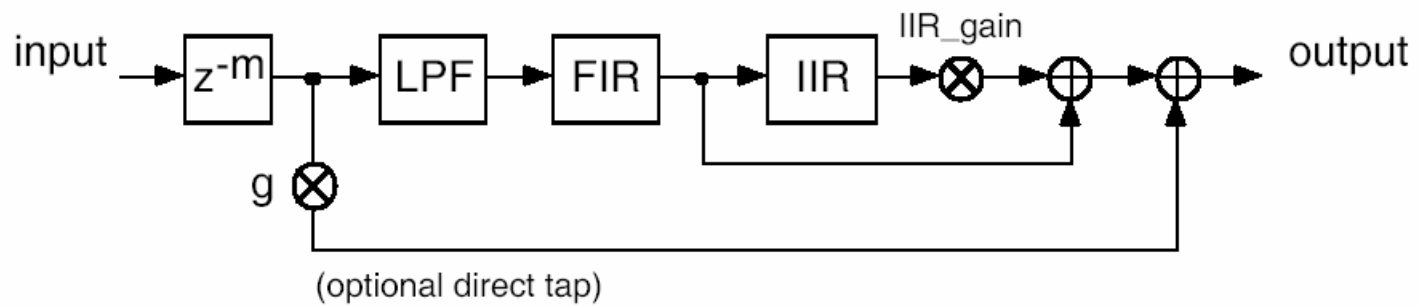


Figure 4.12 Combining FIR and IIR reverberators.

(Gardner, 1992)

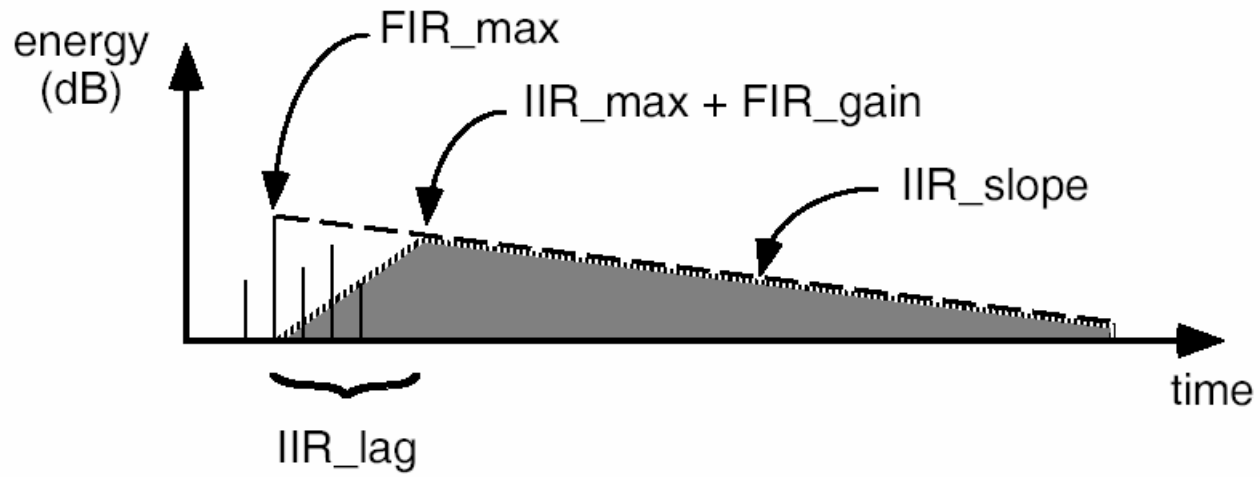


Figure 4.13 Combining FIR and IIR responses.

(Gardner, 1992)

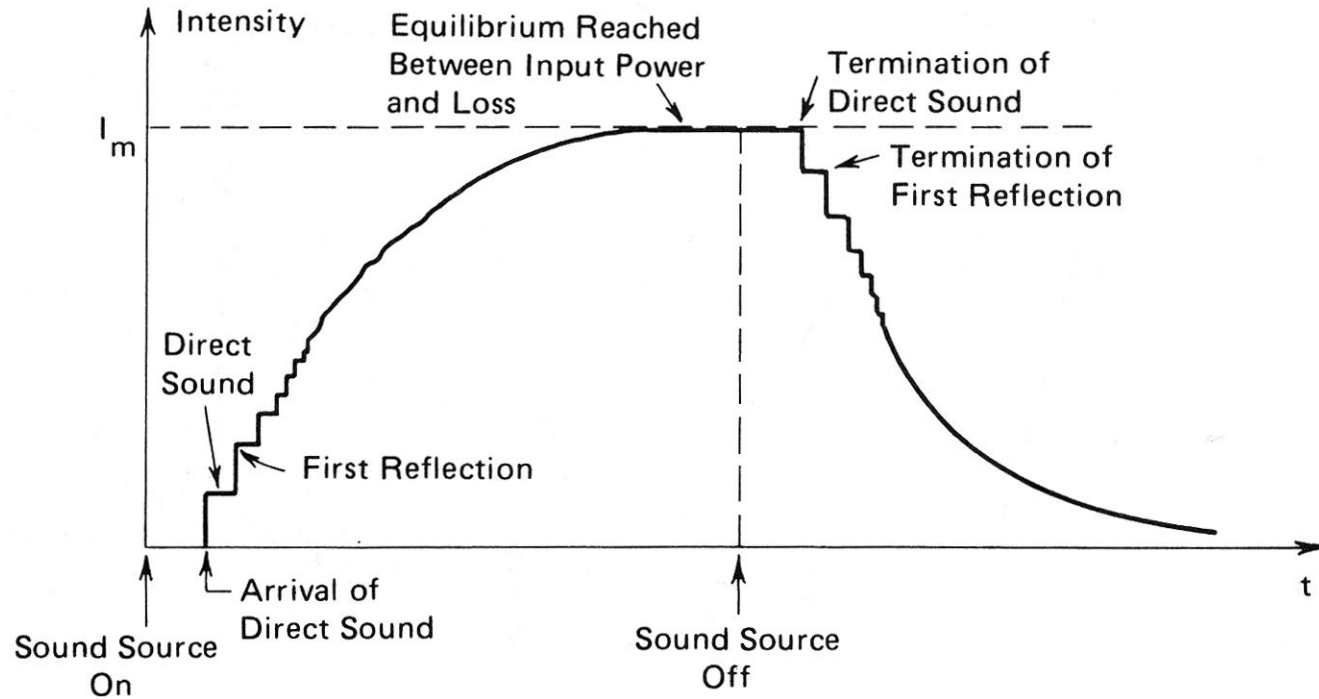
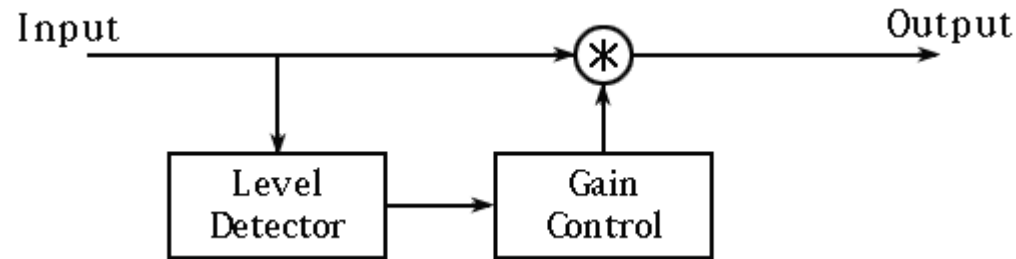


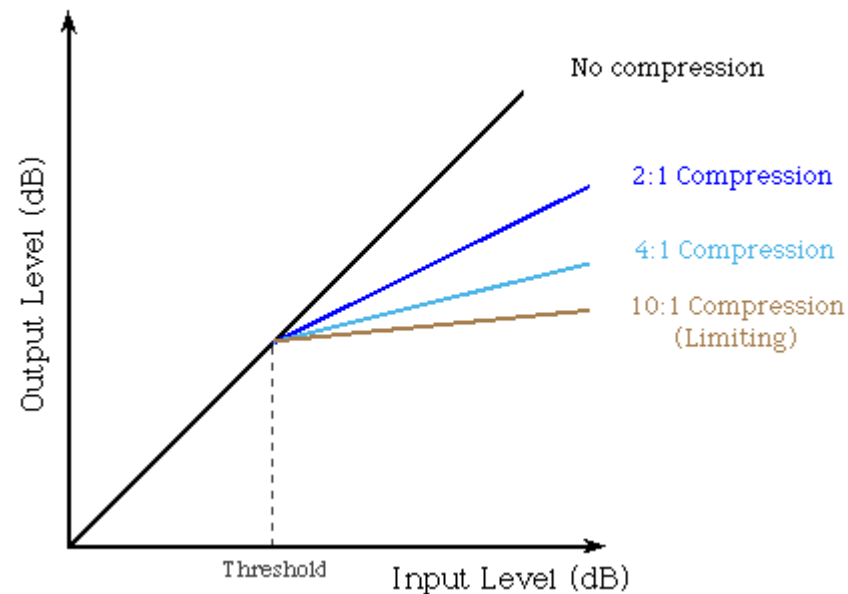
FIGURE 4.27 Typical tone intensity buildup and decay in a hall (linear scale).

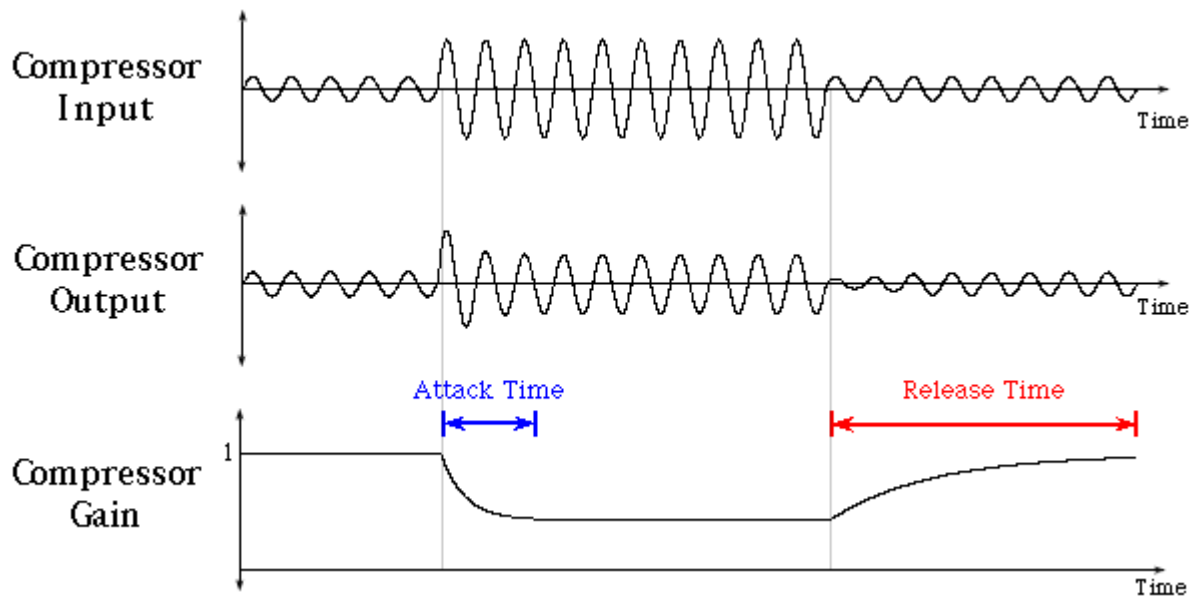
(Roederer, 1994)

# “Compressor/limiter” effect

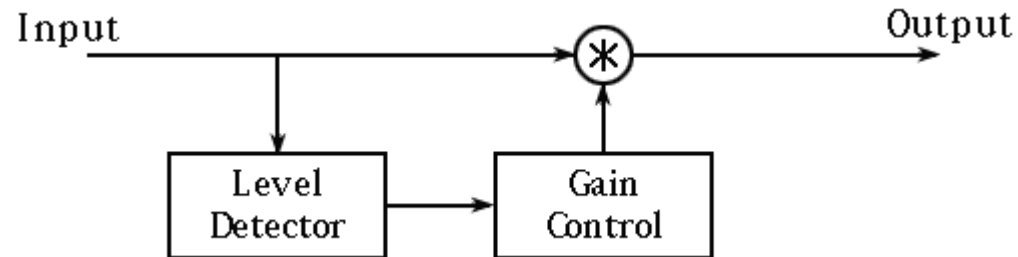


Compressor Input/Output Characteristic

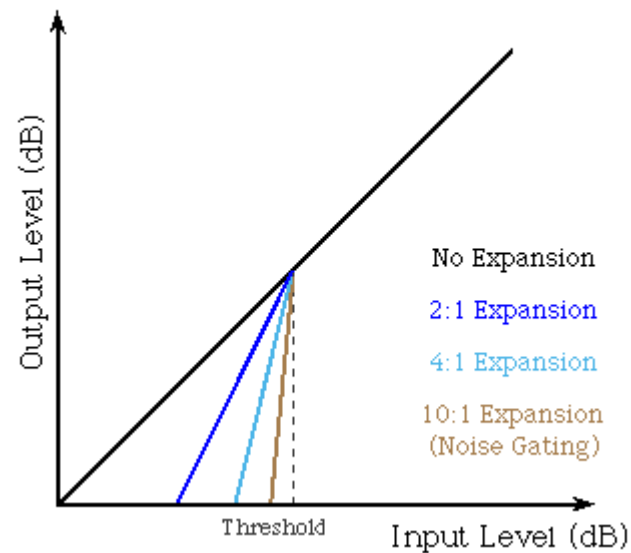


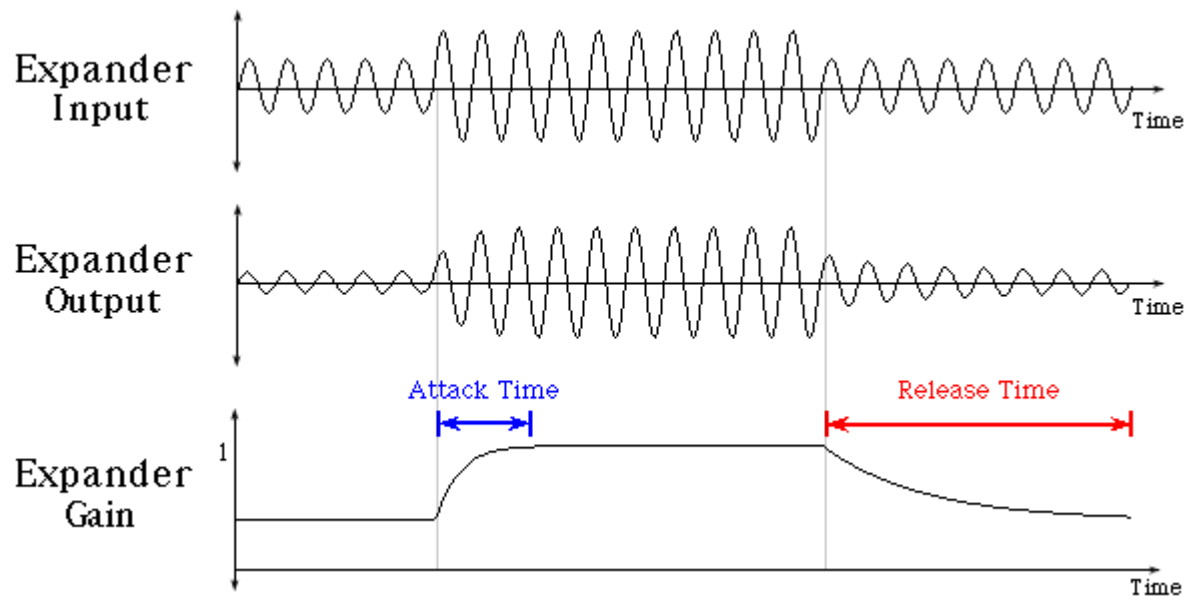


# “Expander/noise-gating” effect

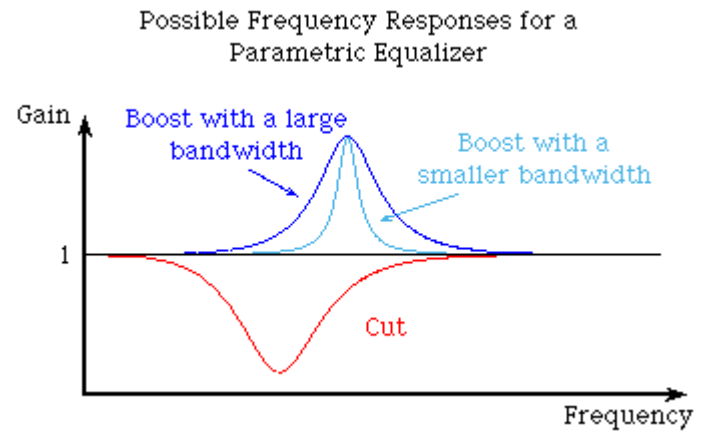
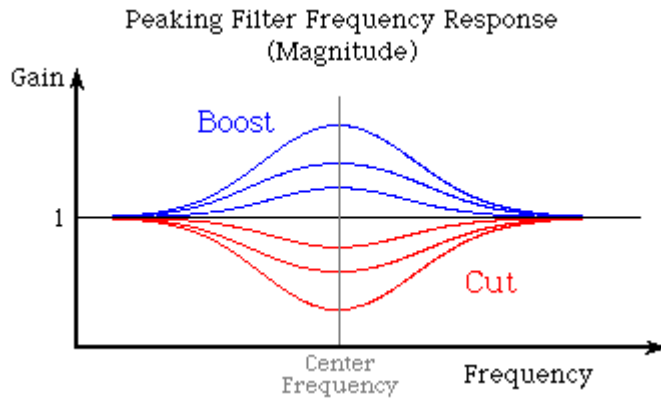
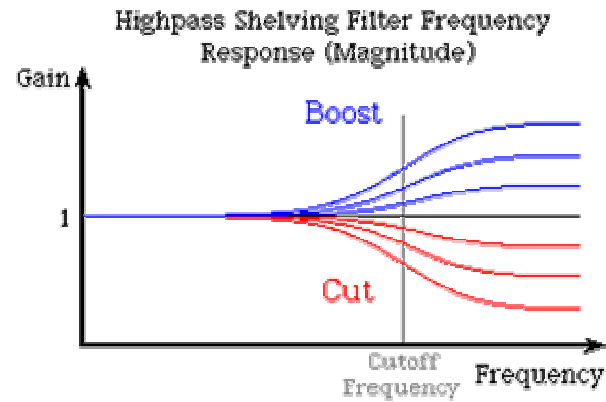
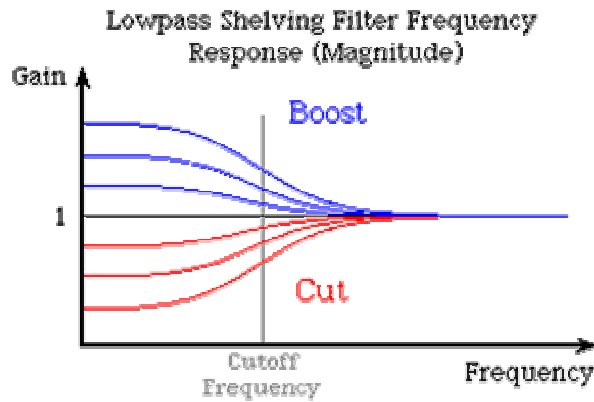


Expander Input/Output Characteristic



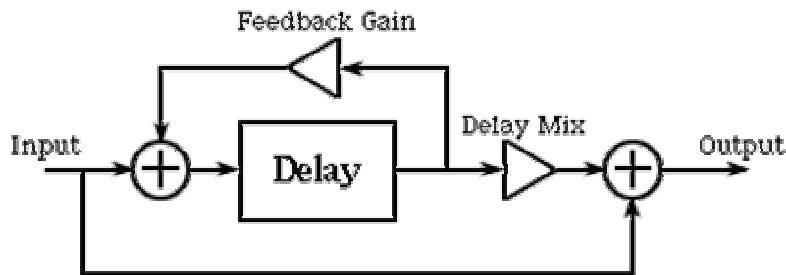


# Equalization





# “Delay” effect



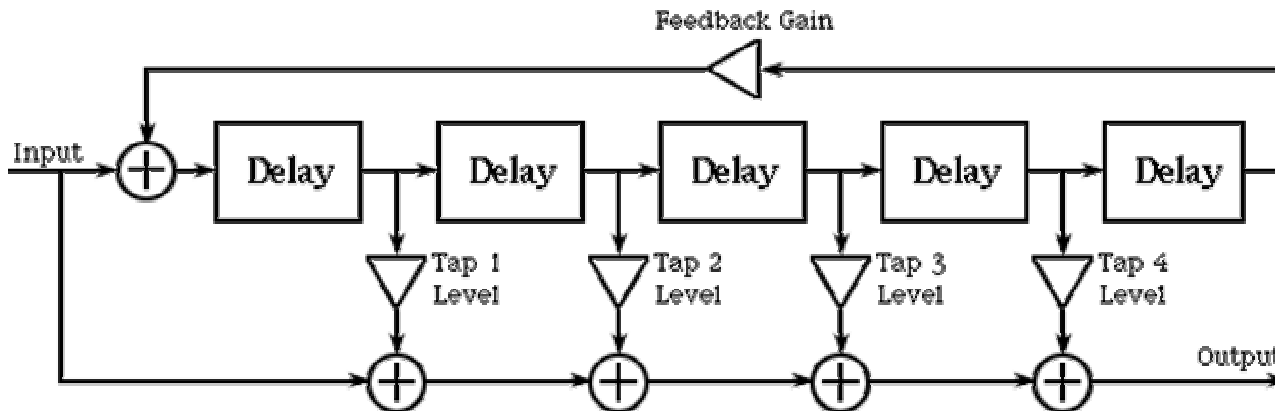
Increasing delay and feedback gain



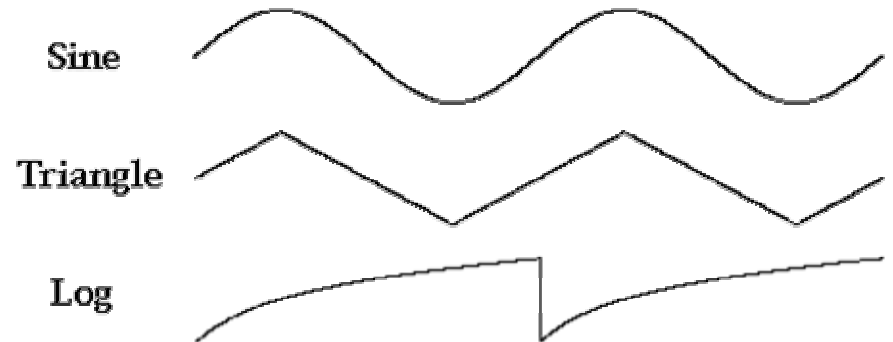
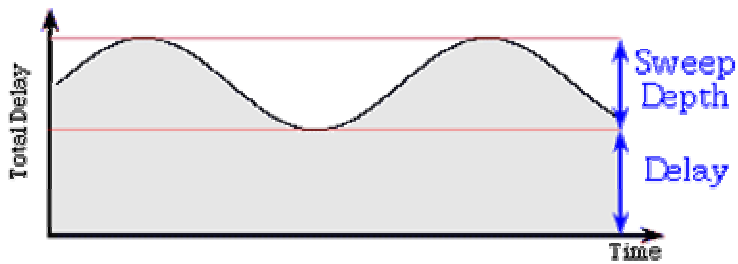
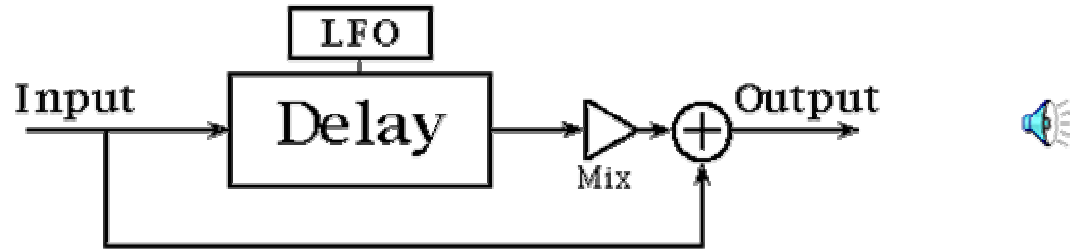
40-ms delay



1.5-s delay



# “Chorus” effect



# “Phaser/flanger” effect

