

Lesson 1: Introduction, Median Filtering

Nonlinear Signal Processing – SS 2019

Christian Knoll
Signal Processing and Speech Communication Laboratory
Graz University of Technology

Mar. 15, 2019

Session contents

- ▶ Course logistics
- ▶ Short intro: Median vs. mean filtering

Course Logistics (1)

- ▶ We'll have about eight meetings → up-to-date information in TUGonline (here or in HS i12, attendance is not mandatory)

- 1 15.03.2018, 09:15-10:45, Lernzentrum Lehrsaal 1
- 2 05.04.2018, 09:15-10:45, Lernzentrum Lehrsaal 1
- 3 03.05.2018, 09:15-10:45, HSi12
- 4 10.05.2018, 09:15-10:45, HSi12
- 5 24.05.2018, 09:15-10:45, Lernzentrum Lehrsaal 1
- 6 07.06.2018, 09:15-10:45, Lernzentrum Lehrsaal 1
- 7 14.06.2018, 09:15-10:45, Lernzentrum Lehrsaal 1
- 8 28.06.2018, 09:15-10:45, Lernzentrum Lehrsaal 1

- ▶ Will be updated throughout the semester

Course Logistics (2)

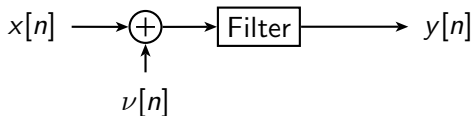
- ▶ Information sources:
 - ▶ Course homepage (handouts, matlab files, ...)
<http://www.spsc.tugraz.at/courses/nonlinearsignalprocessing>
 - ▶ Newsgroup: `tu-graz.lv.nl-signalprocessing`
- ▶ One handout per major topic block (Intro, Static NL, Fading-memory NL, NL dynamical systems)
- ▶ Contain problems to be solved together in class
- ▶ Also contain homework problems (marked with a house icon)

Course Logistics (3)

- ▶ You are encouraged to work in pairs (just one report per pair has to be handed in!)
- ▶ You have to hand in a report *at the end of the semester*
- ▶ You *may* hand in separate reports to get intermediate grading
- ▶ Contains **results, plots, discussion, interpretation** for *homework* problems
- ▶ Deadline is TBA/TBD
- ▶ Mail all your Matlab files to me
- ▶ Basis for grading is the report

Intro: Mean vs. Median filtering

- ▶ For both filters: Consider data samples within a window
- ▶ Mean: Compute (sliding) average of samples → linear
- ▶ Median: Replace current sample by median within window → non-linear

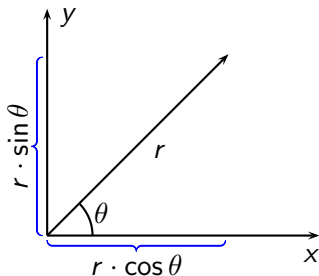


$$\text{SNR} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{\sum_n \text{signal}^2[n]}{\sum_n \text{noise}^2[n]}$$

- Compute a SNR_{in} as well as a SNR_{out} !
- What is $\text{noise}[n]$ before/after the filter?

Nonlinear Transformations – Problem 1.4

- ▶ Problem 1.4: A first glance at a nonlinear transformation



- ▶ Sensor measures range r and angle θ to a target
- ▶ Estimate the position in Cartesian coordinates
- ▶ What do we expect? What happens if sensor values are noisy?