INTRODUCTION TO DIGITAL AUDIO SIGNALS

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What is digital audio about?



Sampling:

To look at the waveform at discrete-time

- Taken care by your soundcard with the "input"
- Need to specify <u>how often</u> you want to sample
- The unit of sampling rate = Hz.





Undersampling



Nyquist theorem

Need to sample at least at 2x the rate of the highest frequency of interest.

E.g., $f_s = 44.1$ kHz for *CD quality*

Quantization: fixed-point representation (usually)



Nbits = 8, <u>16</u>, 24, 32

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Quantization step Δ

Below are directly printed from MATLAB's document for wavwrite()

NBits	y Data Type	Data Range	Output Format
8	single or double	−1.0 <= y < +1.0	uint8
16	single or double	−1.0 <= y < +1.0	int16
24	single or double	−1.0 <= y < +1.0	int32
32	single or double	-1.0 <= y <= +1.0	single

重點: $\Delta = 2 / 2^{\text{Nbits}}$

Analysis without synthesis: Machine listening



Digital Sound Synthesis



Demo of sound synthesis with a very specialized controller



Related courses

- 李祈均教授: 語音訊號處理
- 白明憲教授: 聲學、陣列訊號處理
- 黃志方教授(交): Max/MSP
- 冀泰石教授(交):聽覺資訊處理