Audio Signal Processing in MATLAB

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Agenda

- Tunable parametric equalizer example
- Audio tone removal example

1. How to create a streaming test bench for audio processing in MATLAB
2. How to develop algorithms and incorporate them into the test bench
3. How to accelerate simulation for real-time performance

Stream processing of audio is everywhere!

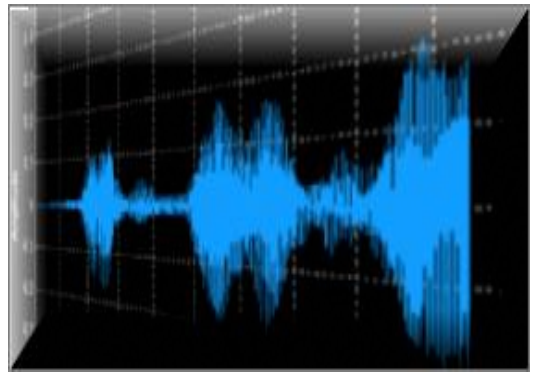
Tablet/MP3 Player & Smart Phone

Gaming System

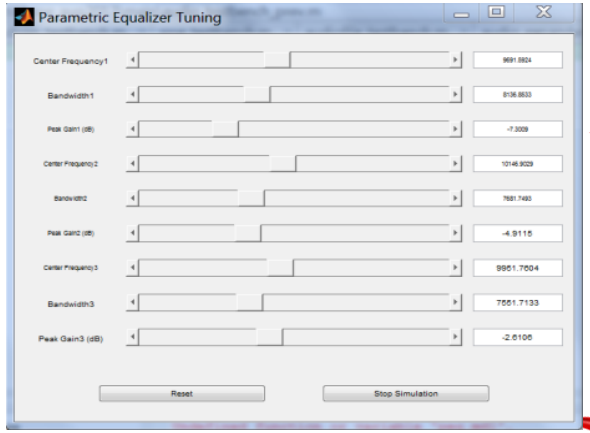
Automotive Infotainment

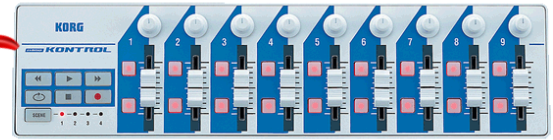
Professional Audio & Music

Medical Devices-Hearing Aids



Tunable parameter equalizer example





MIDI Control

Tune parameters in real-time

Tune it

Audio Input

Guitar10min.ogg a 44.1Khz stereo audio

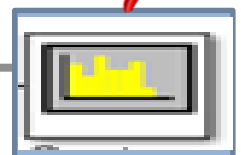
Play it

Parameter Equalizer Filters

Custom Audio Algorithm

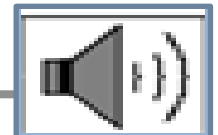
Create it

See it



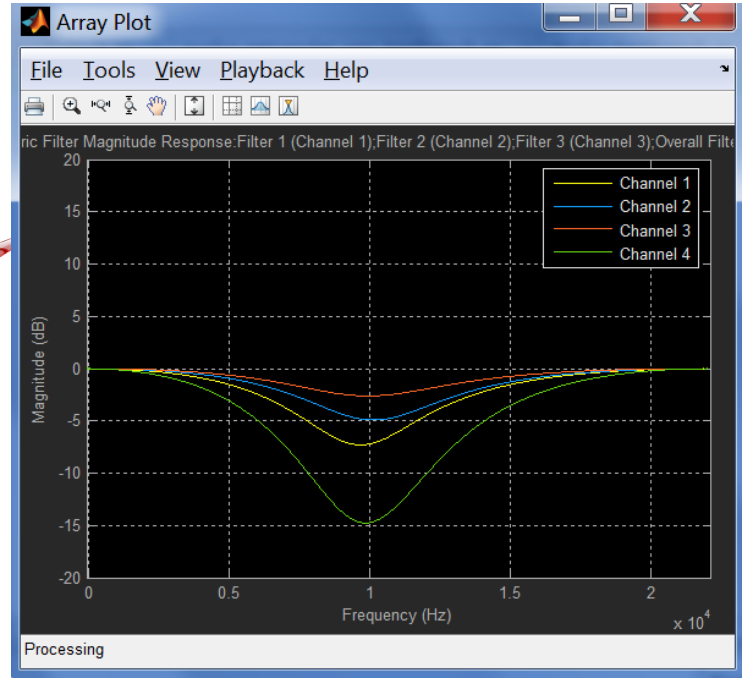
Array Plot

Audio Output



Speaker

Hear it



Visualize audio waveforms in real-time

Challenges in audio system design

Framework for real-time simulations

*"I have to **process large data** and test my simulations with **streaming** signals. I need a simulation testbench that can **keep up with real-time** data."*

Quick Innovation & modeling

*"I need to **find innovative algorithms** and create and model a working system very quickly."*

Rapid prototyping & simulation acceleration

*"I need to **optimize my high-level MATLAB algorithm** for **speed**. I then need to verify that the optimized code works the same way as the original MATLAB code."*

What DSP System Toolbox offers in MATLAB

Framework for real-time simulations

Stream processing techniques and hardware peripheral access that speed up simulation and reduce memory footprint

Quick Innovation & modeling

Pre-defined algorithms as functions and System objects for quick prototyping

Rapid prototyping & simulation acceleration

Support for C/C++ code generation that enables design continuity and faster simulation

Part 1: Test bench and peripheral access

1. **How to create a streaming test bench for audio processing in MATLAB**
2. How to develop algorithms and incorporate them into the test bench
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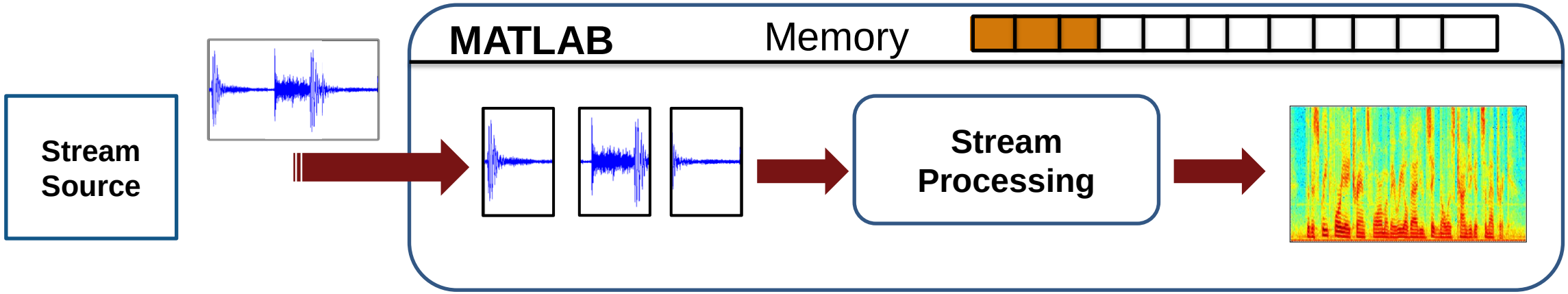
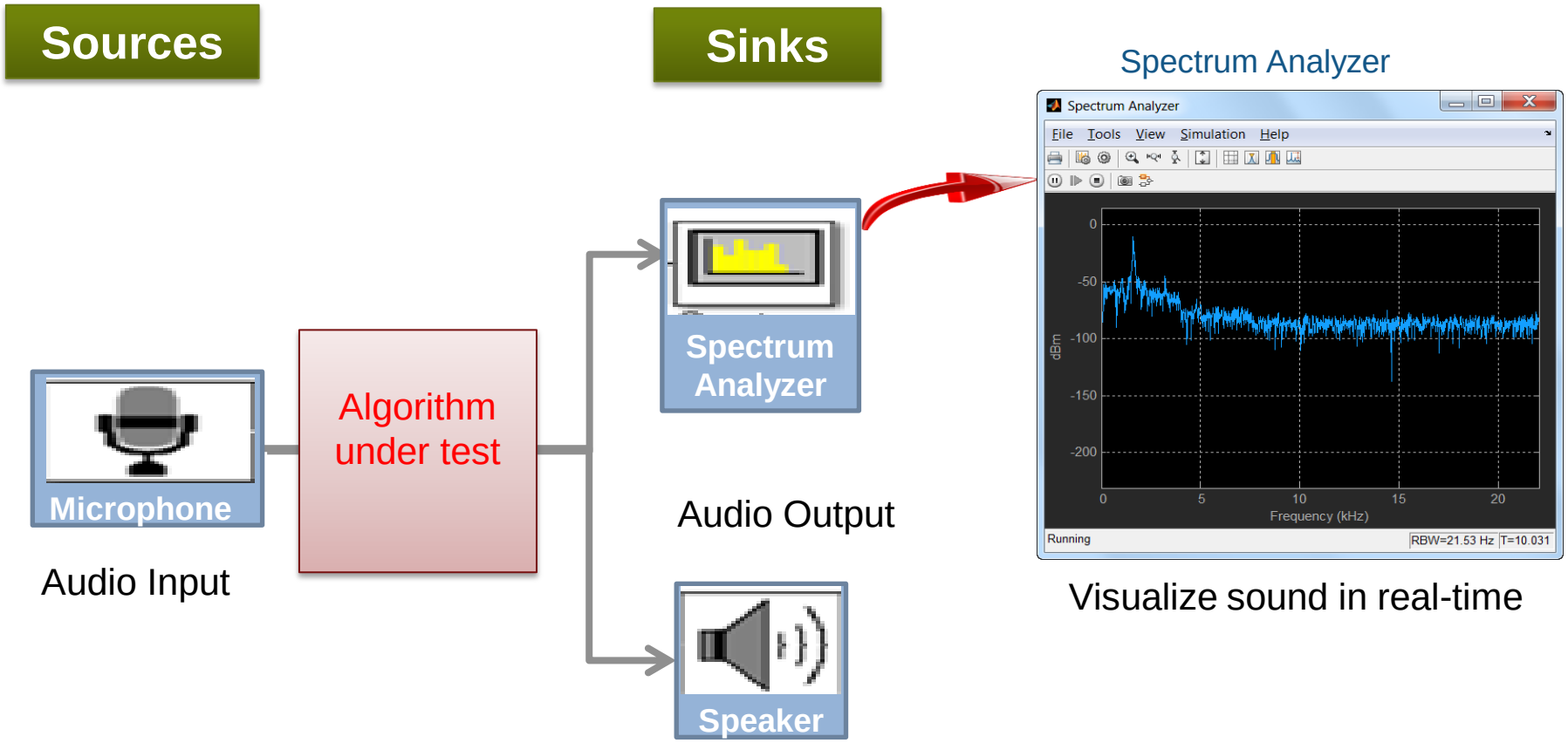
Stream processing in MATLAB

- *Streaming techniques* process continuous data from a captured signal or large file by dividing it into "frames"* and fully processes each frame before the next one arrives
  - ✓ Memory efficient
- Streaming algorithms in DSP System Toolbox provide
  - ✓ Implicit data buffering, state management and indexing
  - ✓ Simulation speed-up by reducing overhead



*http://www.mathworks.com/discovery/stream-processing.html

How to create a streaming test bench



How to create test bench in MATLAB

```
%% Create and Initialize
SamplesPerFrame = 1024;
Fs = 44100;

Microphone=dsp.AudioRecorder('SamplesPerFrame',SamplesPerFrame);

Spectra=dsp.SpectrumAnalyzer ('SampleRate',Fs);
```

```
%% Stream processing loop
tic;

while toc < 20
     % Read frame from microphone
       audioIn = step(Microphone);

     % View audio spectrum
       step(Spectra,audioIn);
End
```

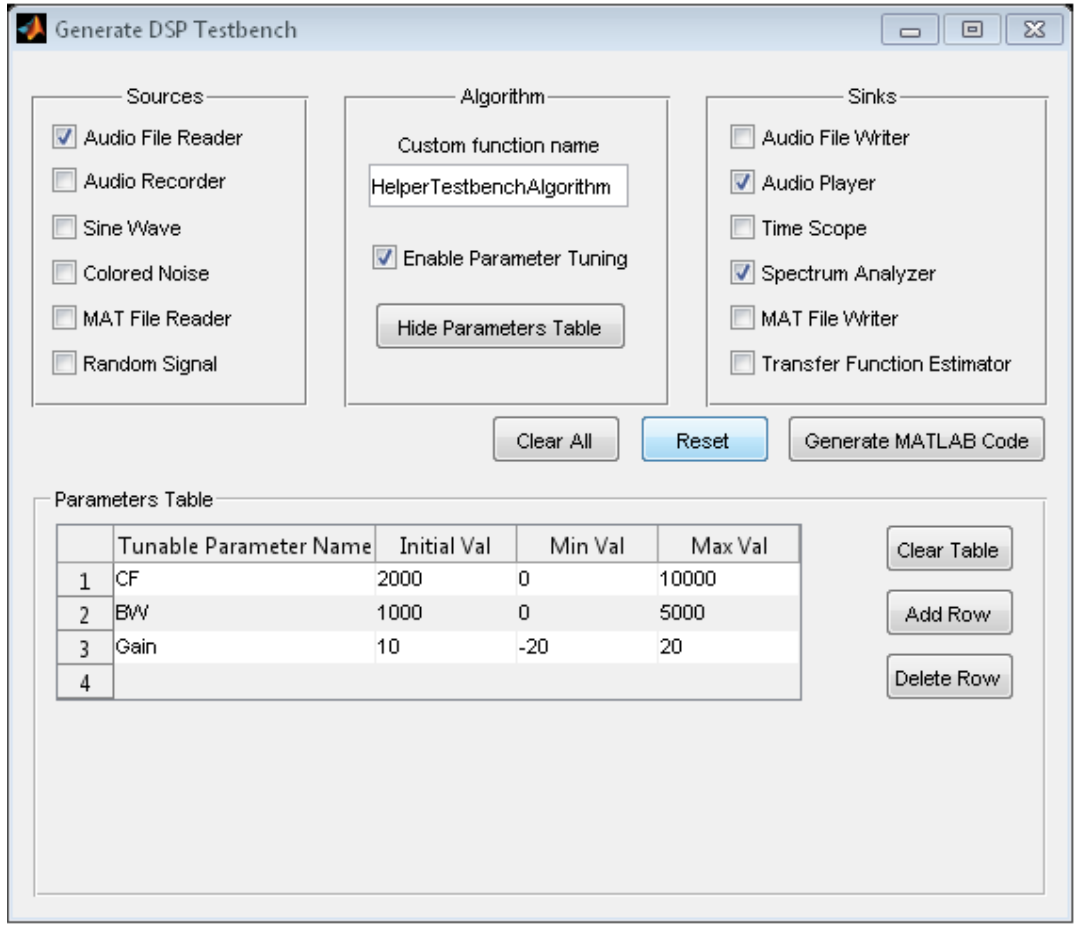
```
%% Terminate
release(Microphone)
release(Spectra)
```

Initialize

Process in-the-loop

Terminate

How to automatically create test benches from “Generate DSP Testbench” App



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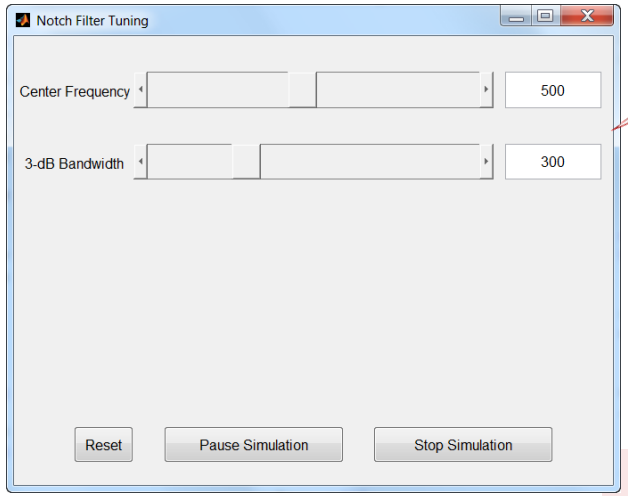
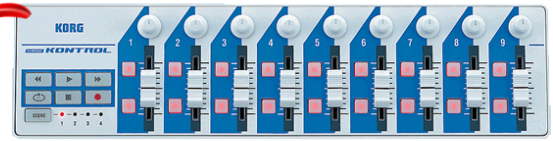
Part 2: Algorithms

1. How to create a streaming test bench for audio processing in MATLAB
2. **How to develop algorithms and incorporate them into the test bench**
3. How to accelerate simulation for real-time performance

Example 1: Audio Tone Removal



MIDI Control



Tune parameter equalizer in real-time

Tune it

View it

Play it

Guitar file @ 44.1Khz stereo audio

Audio Input

+

X

Notch-Peak Filter

Y

Y

Spectrum Analyzer

Y

Hear it

Speaker

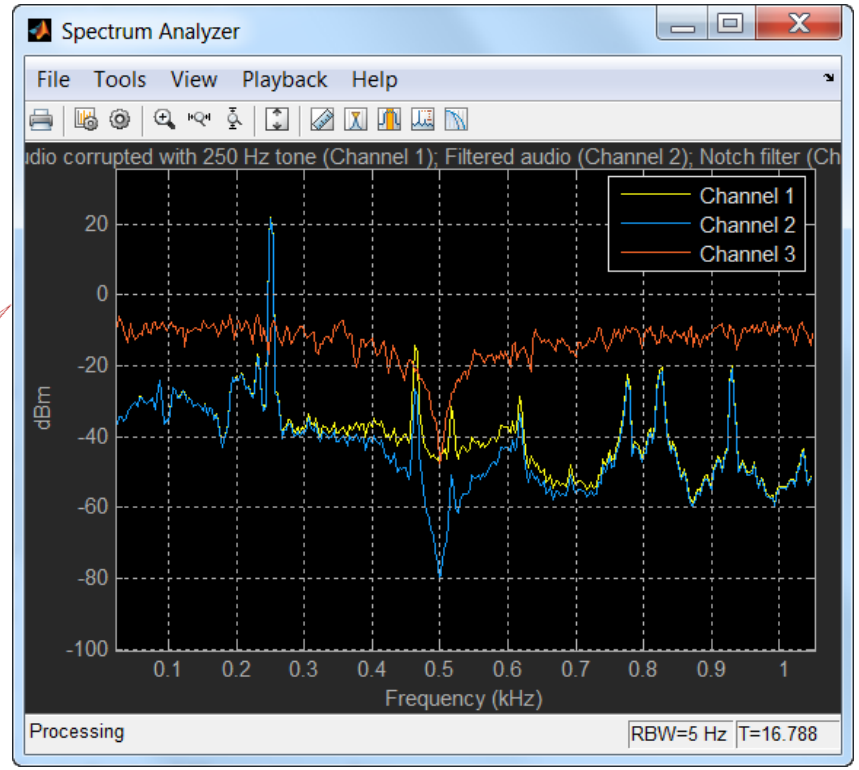
Audio Output

250Hz Tone

Noise

Custom Audio Algorithm

Create it



Visualize audio waveform spectra in real-time

How to incorporate algorithm into test bench

```
%% Create & Initialize
Fs = 44.1e3;
SamplesPerFrame = 1024;
h = dsp.AudioFileReader('guitar10min.ogg');
hp = dsp.AudioPlayer;
% Interfering tone
ftone = 250;
hw = dsp.SineWave('Amplitude',0.8,'SampleRate',Fs,'Frequency',[ftone ftone],'SamplesPerFrame',SamplesPerFrame);
hs = dsp.SpectrumAnalyzer('SampleRate',Fs,'SpectralAverages',5,'ShowLegend',true,'Title',titlestr);
```

initialize

```
%% Stream processing loop

while ~isDone(h)
        % Read one frame from audio file and add a tone to input audio
        x = step(h) + step(hw);

        % Audio Tone Removal algorithm
        [y,pauseSim,stopSim]HelperAudioToneRemovalProcessing(x,args,param);
        % View audio waveform
        step(hs,[x(:,1),y(:,1),y(:,3)]);
        % Start playing audio
        step(hp, y(:,1:2));
end
```

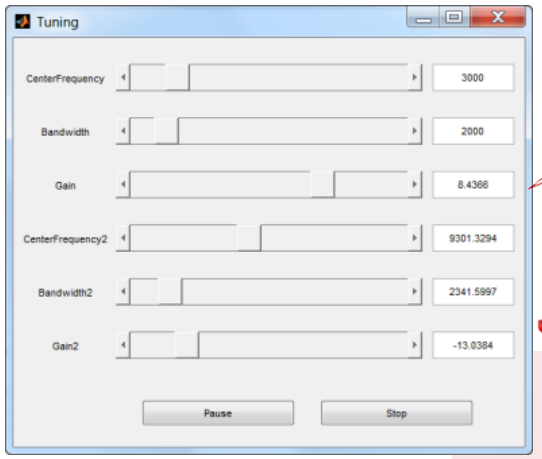
Algorithm

Process in-the-loop

```
%% Terminate
release(h)
release(hs)
release(hp)
```

Terminate

Example 2: Tunable audio parametric equalizer



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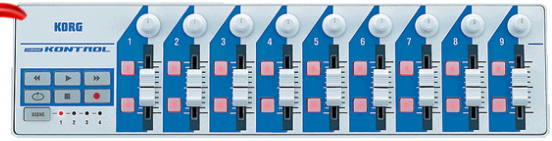

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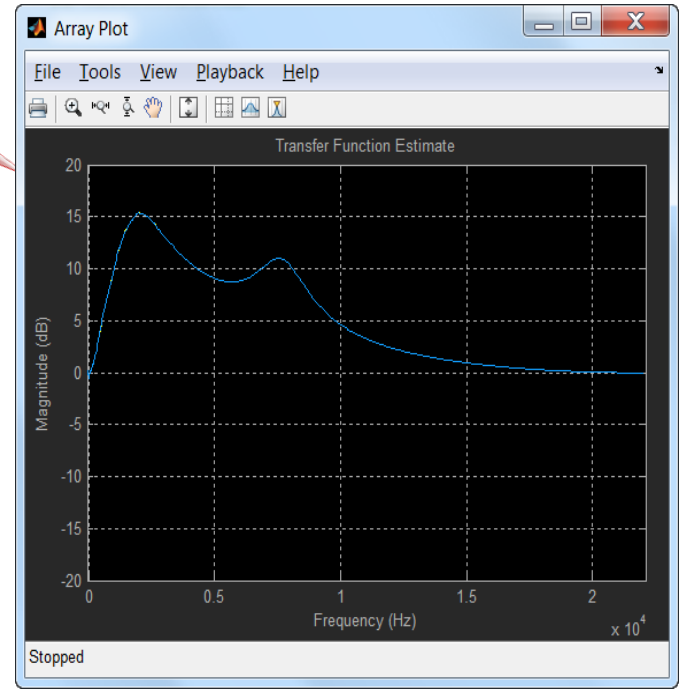

Visualize audio waveform in real-time

X

H=Y/X

H

Array Plot

Y

Transfer Function Estimator

Play it

Guitar file @ 44.1Khz stereo audio

X

Parameter Equalizer Filters

Y

Hear it

Y

Speaker

Audio Input

Custom Audio Algorithm

Audio Output

Create it

DSP System Toolbox audio related components (supported on Apple/Windows/Linux)

- **Multichannel audio I/O** (Number of channels depends on hardware)
  - **Audio Player/Recorder**
    (Supports multiple devices, one sound driver per MATLAB session)
  - **Audio File Reader/Writer**
  - ASIO low latency driver support on Windows(R)
  - Custom channel mapping
- **Audio signal analysis**
  - **Scopes: time, spectrum analyzer, Array plot**
  - **Transfer function estimator**
  - Measurements: SNR, THD, Average power, PeaktoRMS ratio, mean, variance, ...
- **Signal processing algorithms**
  - **FIR**, **Biquad**, Multirate FIR, FFT, LMS, ...
- **Connectivity**
  - **UDP**, **MIDI** (simultaneous support for multiple controls on multiple devices)

Part 3: Acceleration of simulation

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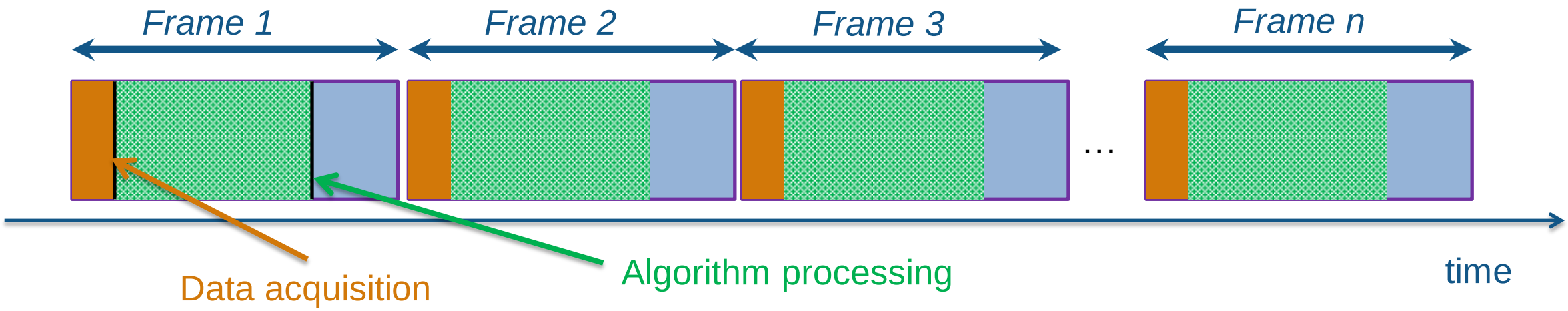
3. **How to accelerate simulation for real-time performance**

Stream processing in real-time
Data acquisition & algorithm times



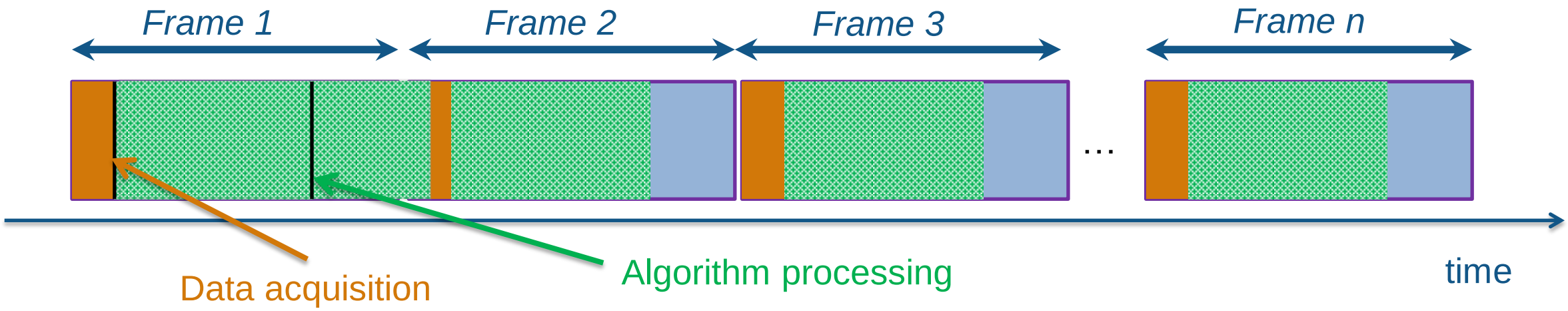
As long as

Data acquisition **+** Algorithm processing **<=** Frame time

We have

Real-time signal processing

Stream processing in real-time
Data acquisition & algorithm times



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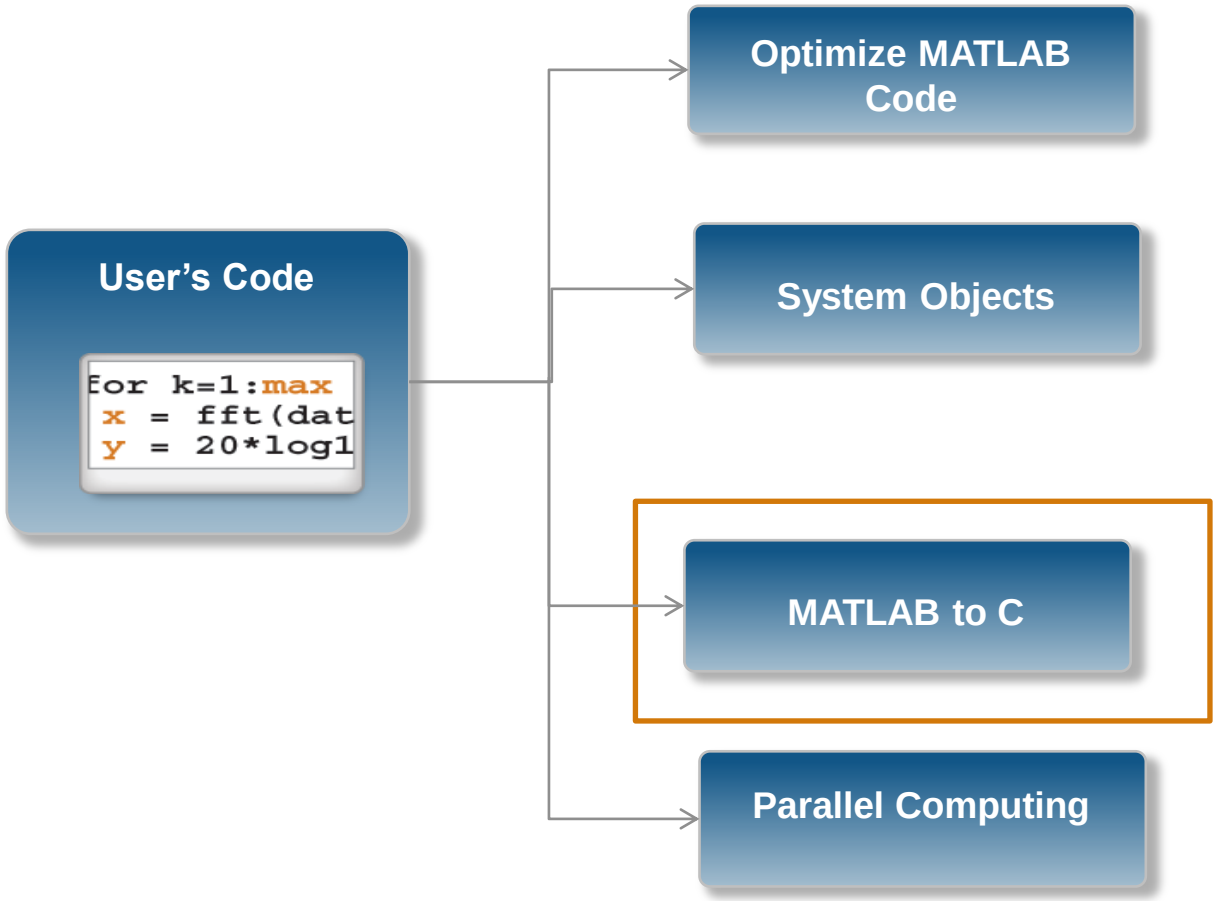
Accelerating algorithm execution*



Pre-allocation and vectorization

Pre-defined efficient implementations of algorithms

Generate MEX files automatically with MATLAB Coder

Parallel computations on multicore computers, GPUs, and clusters

*Webinar: Accelerating Simulation for Communications Applications
https://www.mathworks.com/company/events/webinars/wbnr78473.html

MATLAB to C code generation*

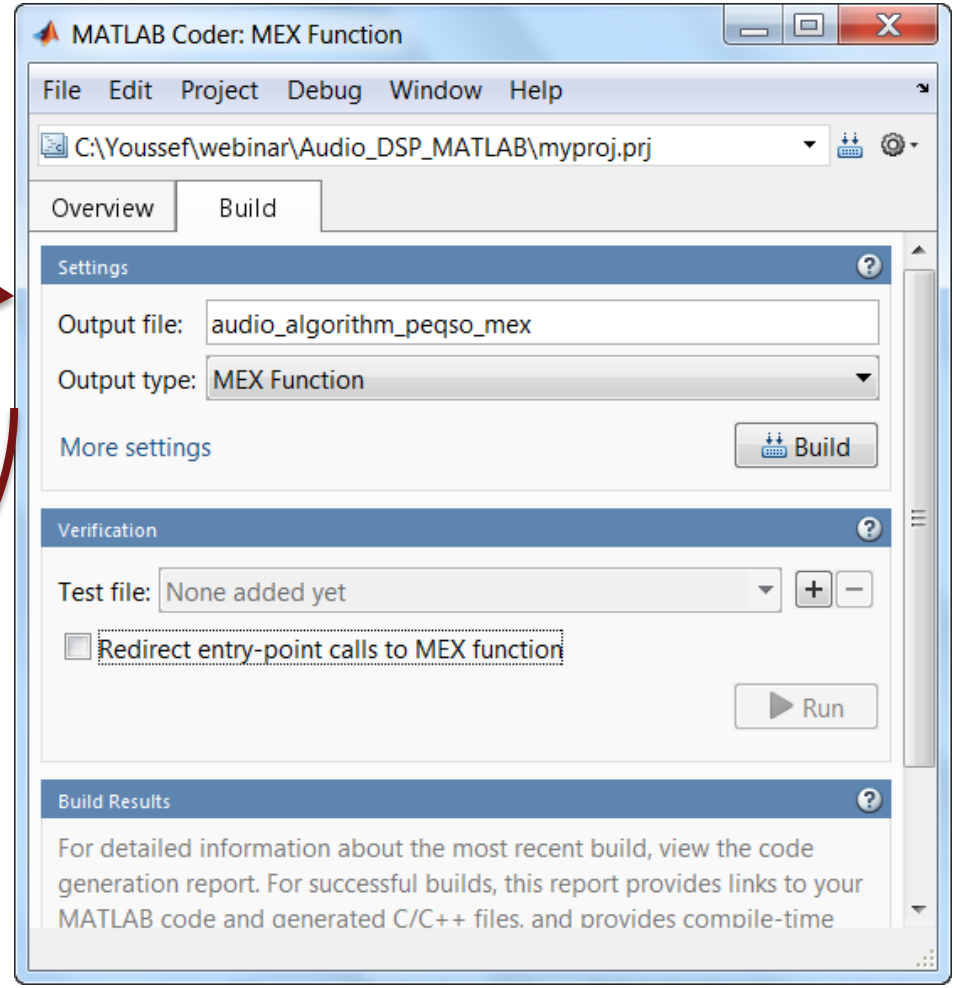
```
function y = audio_algorithm_peqso(u,tunedparams)
% Copyright 2014 The MathWorks, Inc.
persistent PE1 PE2
if isempty(PE1)
   PE1 = parametricEQFilter('Bandwidth',2000,…
                  'CenterFrequency',3000,'PeakGaindB',6.02);
   PE2 = ParametricEQFilter('Bandwidth',2000,…
                  'CenterFrequency',1000,'PeakGaindB',-6.02);
end
[PE1,PE2] = processtunedparams(tunedparams,PE1,PE2);
v = step(PE1,u);
y = step(PE2,v);
%-------------------------------------
function [PE1,PE2] = processtunedparams(tunedparams,PE1,PE2)

if ~isnan(tunedparams.CenterFrequency)
    PE1.CenterFrequency = tunedparams.CenterFrequency;
end
if ~isnan(tunedparams.Bandwidth)
    PE1.Bandwidth = tunedparams.Bandwidth;
end
if ~isnan(tunedparams.Gain)
    PE1.PeakGaindB = tunedparams.Gain;
end
if ~isnan(tunedparams.CenterFrequency2)
    PE2.CenterFrequency = tunedparams.CenterFrequency2;
end
if ~isnan(tunedparams.Bandwidth2)
    PE2.Bandwidth = tunedparams.Bandwidth2;
end
if ~isnan(tunedparams.Gain2)
    PE2.PeakGaindB = tunedparams.Gain2;
end
```

Algorithm.m

Algorithm.mex

MATLAB Coder



(*) Design and Prototype Real-Time DSP Systems with MATLAB (Conference Presentation):

http://www.mathworks.com/company/events/conferences/matlab-virtual-conference/2013/proceedings/design-and-prototype-real-time-dsp-systems-with-matlab.html

Simulation acceleration benchmarks

2-band parametric equalizer algorithm	Processing time
MATLAB code	**23.37** seconds
MEX code	**2.84** seconds

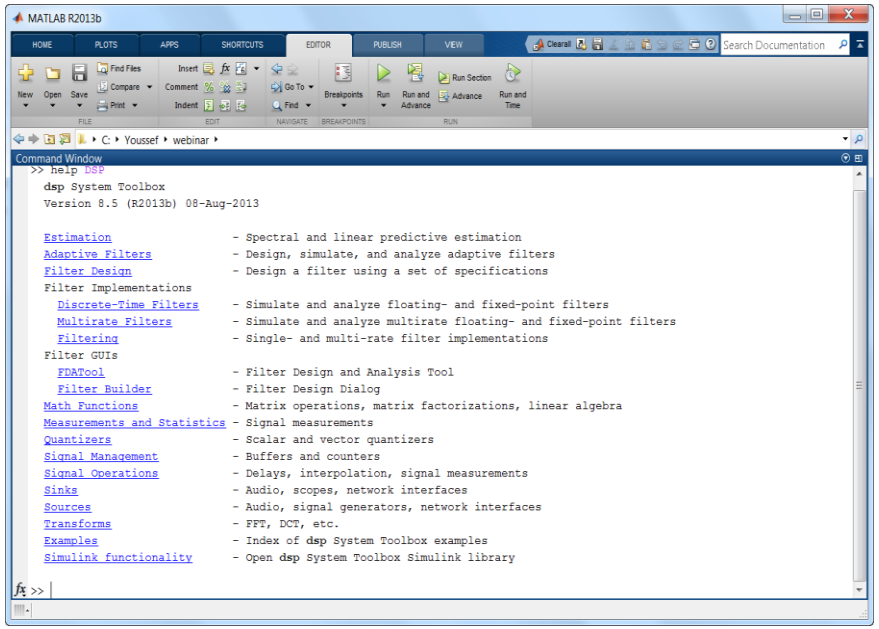
Speed up of ~ 8 x

DSP System Toolbox *

Over 300 algorithms for modeling, designing, implementing and deploying dynamic system applications

- Advanced Filter Design, Adaptive, Multistage and Multi-rate Filters
- FFT, DCT & other Transforms
- Signal processing blocks for Simulink
- Support for Fixed-Point, C/C++ code generation and HDL
- Visualization in Time and Frequency-domain
- System objects and functions in MATLAB
- Stream signal Processing
- ARM Cortex-M support for hardware prototype

Algorithm libraries in MATLAB



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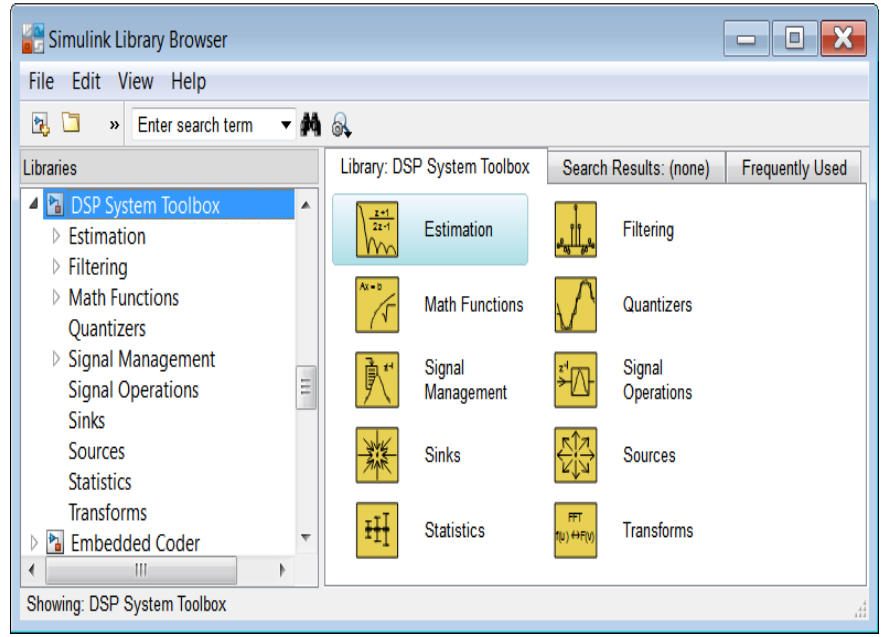

Summary

Create a test bench for audio algorithms with various sources/sinks

- AudioRecorder, AudioPlayer, AudioFileReader, Sine wave, white noise, …
- Spectrum analyzer, time scope, transfer function estimator, …

Use DSP System Toolbox components (System objects) for algorithms

- FIR, FIR Decimation/Interpolation/Rate Conversion, …
- Biquad, Allpass, Allpole, …
- FFT, DCT, Auto/Cross Correlation, …
- Mean, variance, RMS, PeaktoRMS, …

Perform real-time audio signal processing

- Accelerate critical components by code-generation (Generating MEX files using MATLAB Coder)

THANK YOU!