

Introduction to Android Sound Sensor

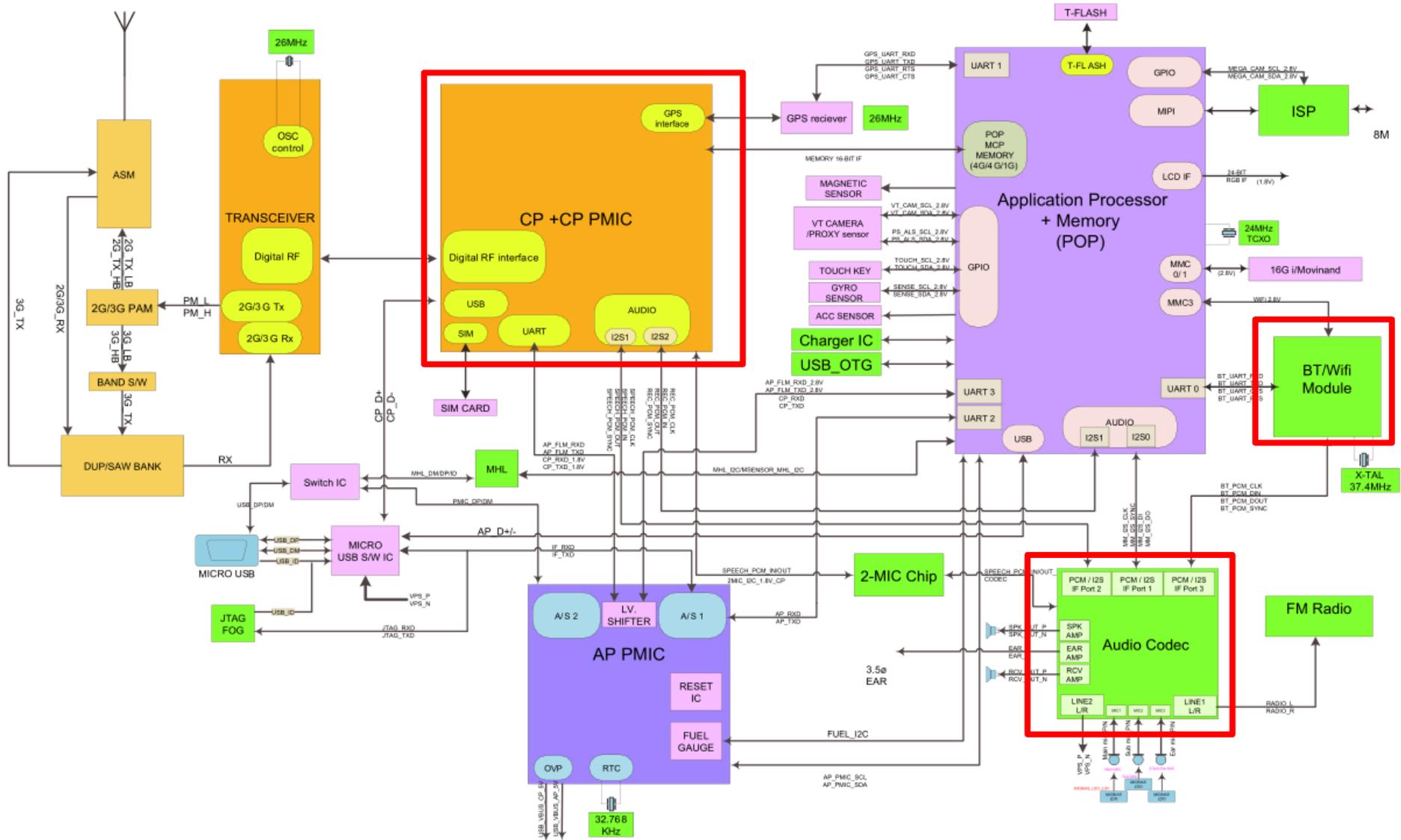
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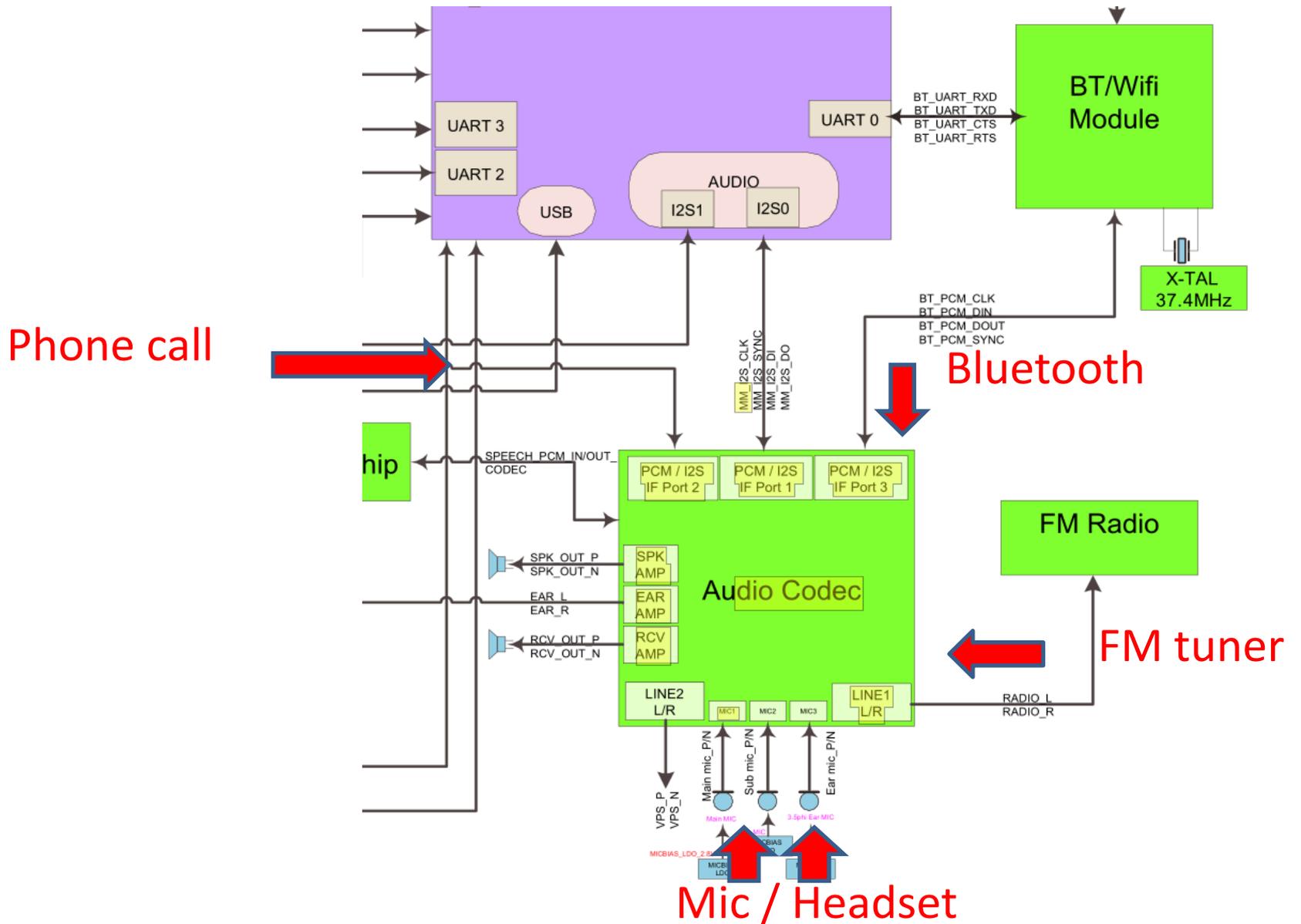
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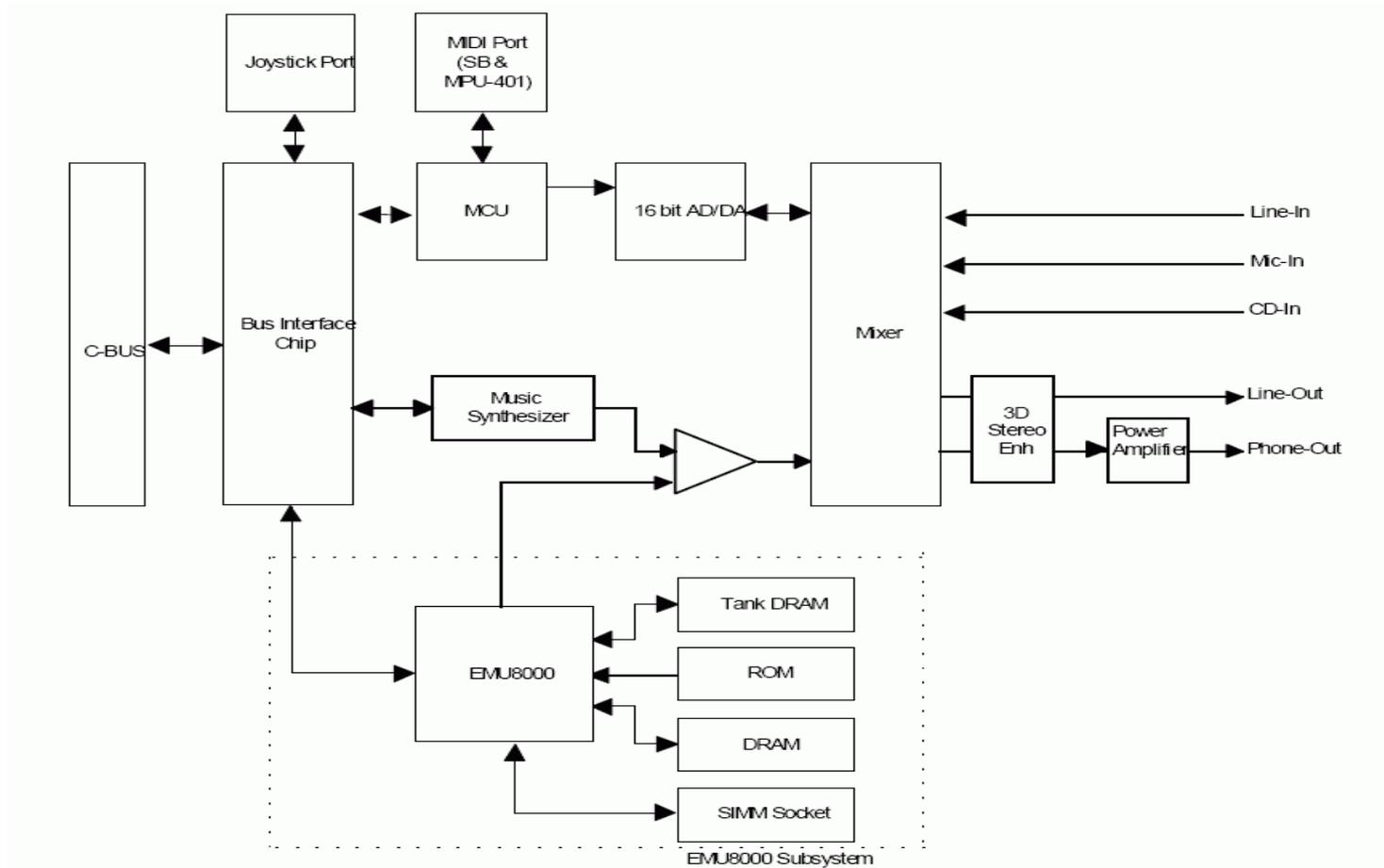


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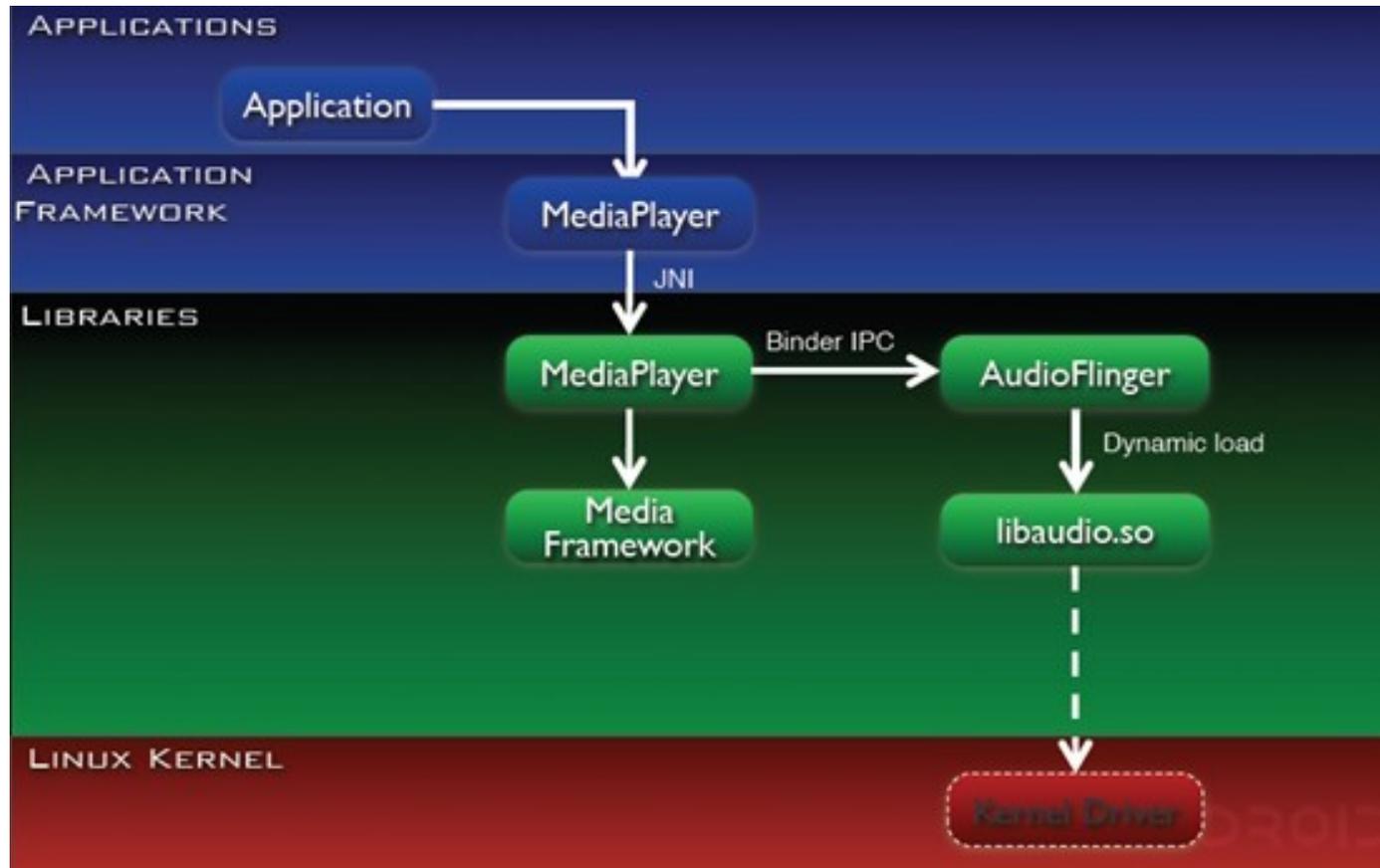
Compare with PC's Sound card



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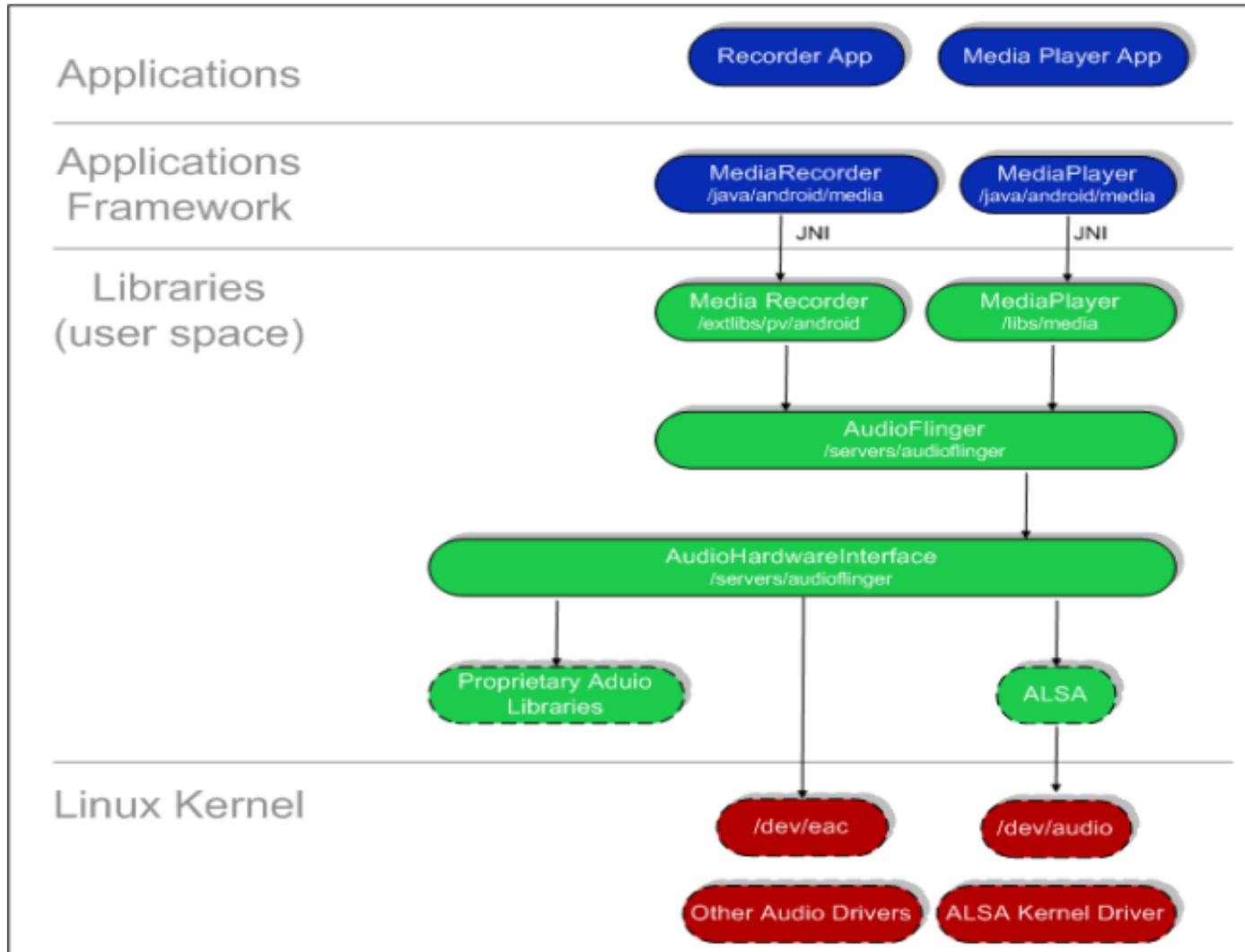
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Sound recording application

- 1) Record compressed audio to file (SDCARD)
- 2) Record PCM audio sample to memory

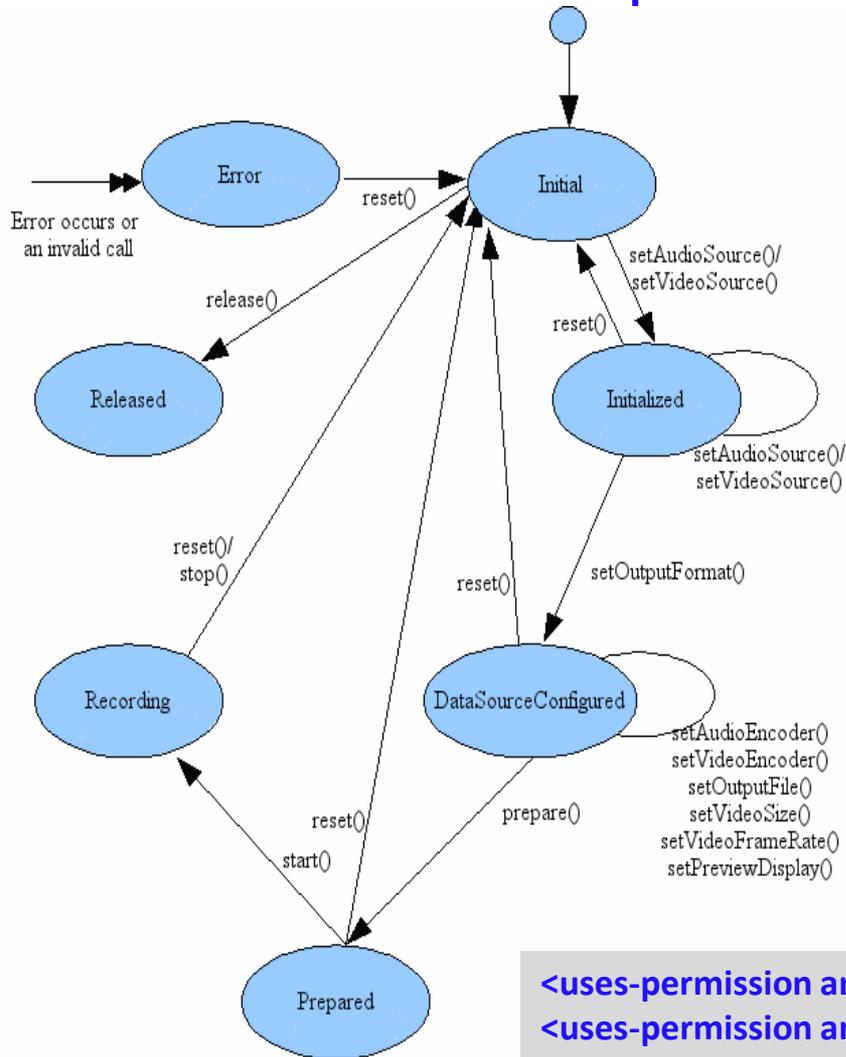
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Record compressed audio to file (SDCARD)

- Step 1) Ask permission to record audio and write file
- Step 2) Set record source
- Step 3) Set output format
- Step 4) Set audio encoder (codec)
- Step 5) Set output file
- Step 6) Start recording

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Record compressed audio to file (SDCARD)



```
final MediaRecorder audioRecorder = new MediaRecorder();
audioRecorder.setAudioSource(MediaRecorder.AudioSource.DEFAULT);

audioRecorder.setOutputFormat(MediaRecorder.OutputFormat.DEFAULT);
audioRecorder.setAudioEncoder(MediaRecorder.AudioEncoder.DEFAULT);
audioRecorder.setOutputFile(fname);

audioRecorder.prepare();
audioRecorder.start();

audioRecorder.stop();
audioRecorder.release();
```

```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.RECORD_AUDIO" />
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE" />
```

MediaRecorder state diagram

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Native audio codec supported

Format / Codec	Encoder	Decoder
AAC LC	•	•
HE-AACv1 (AAC+)	• (Android 4.1+)	•
HE-AACv2 (enhanced AAC+)		•
AAC ELD (enhanced low delay AAC)	• (Android 4.1+)	• (Android 4.1+)
AMR-NB	•	•
AMR-WB	•	•
FLAC		• (Android 3.1+)
MP3		•
MIDI		•
Vorbis		•
PCM/WAVE	• (Android 4.1+)	•

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!!Warning Audio recording is not a shareable resource!!



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Native codec that supported by Android

- AAC

- AMR NB

- AMR WB

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Advanced Audio Coding (AAC)

- Designed to be the successor of the MP3 format
- Lossy compression
- Perceptual noise shaping
- Based on characteristics of the human ear

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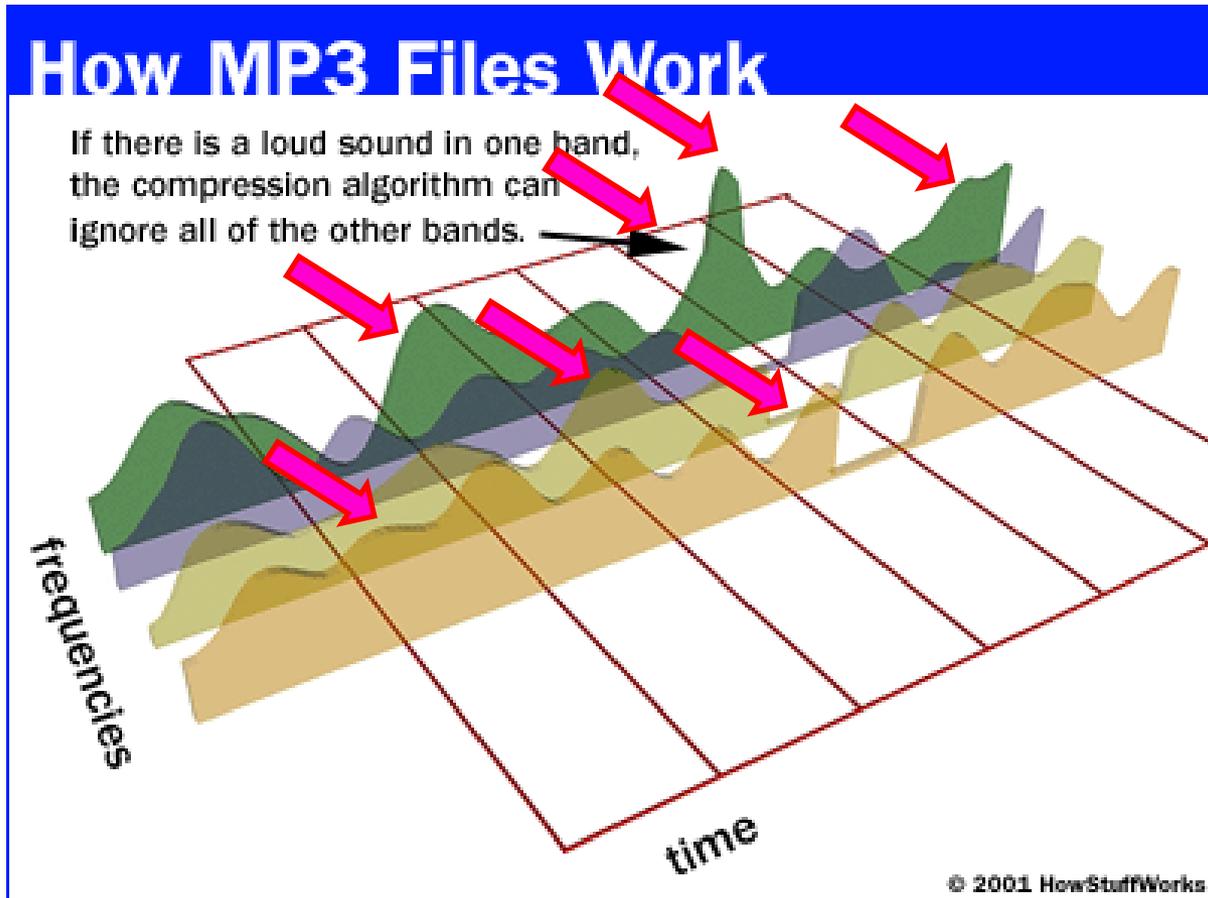
Advanced Audio Coding (AAC)

- 1) There are certain sounds that the human ear cannot hear.
- 2) There are certain sounds that the human ear hears much better than others.
- 3) If there are two sounds playing simultaneously, we hear the louder one but cannot hear the softer one.



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Advanced Audio Coding (AAC)



frequency-masking and time-masking

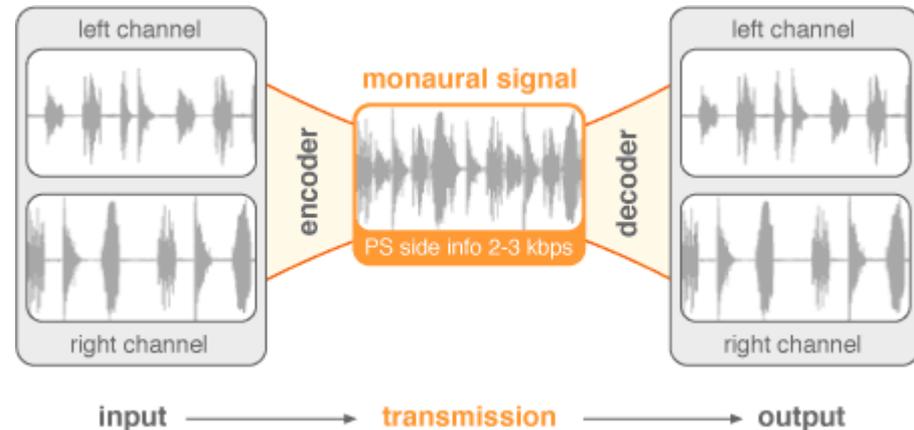
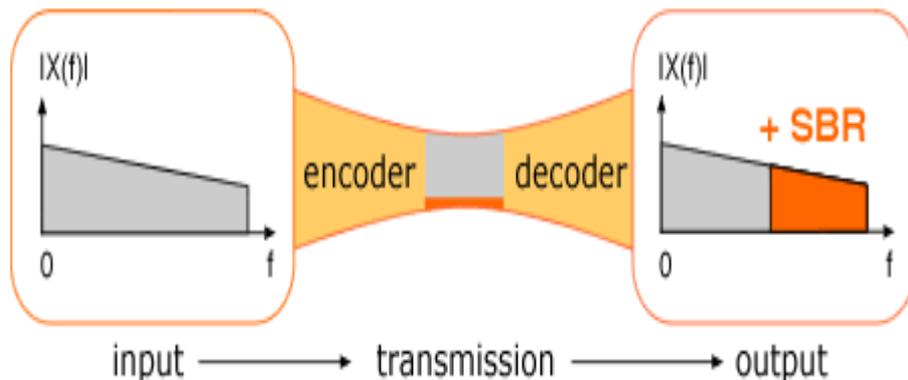
A tone could be rendered inaudible by another tone of lower frequency

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Advanced Audio Coding (AAC)

AAC's improvements over MP3

- Use wider sampling window
- Better encode both stationary signals and transient signals
- SBR Technique (Side Band Replication)
- Parametric Stereo Technique (PS)
- Encode our sounds to 64Kbit/s with the same quality of a 128Kbit/s encoded MP3



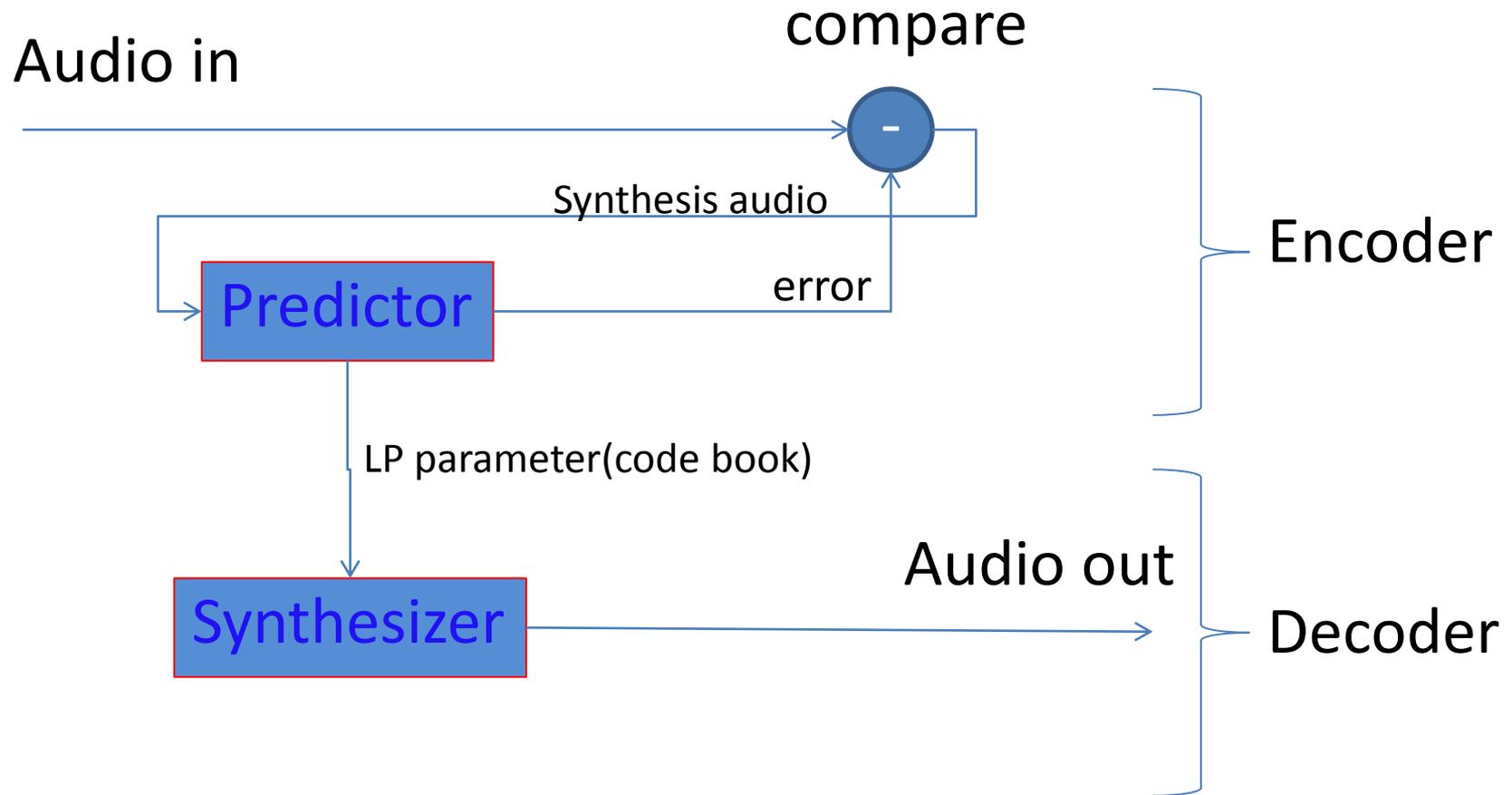
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Adaptive Multi-Rate audio codec(AMR)

- Algebraic code-excited linear prediction (ACELP)
- Multi-rate Narrow band
- Multi-rate Wide band
- Optimize for speech

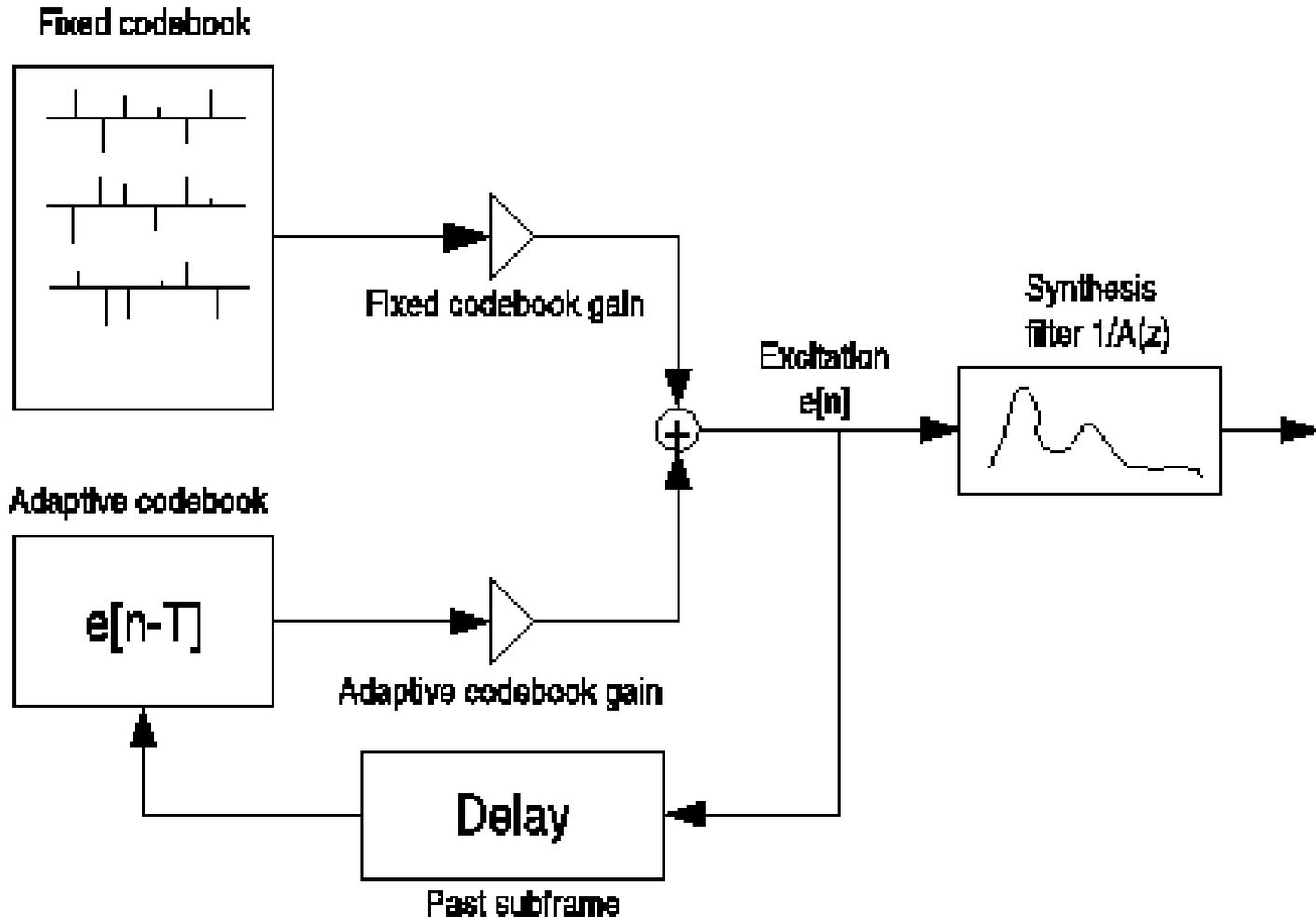
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Linear predictive coding (LPC)



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Code Excited Linear Prediction(CELP)



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Adaptive Multi-Rate audio codec(AMR)

- Algebraic code-excited linear prediction (ACELP)
- Discontinuous transmission (DTX)
- Voice activity detection (VAD)
- Comfort noise (or comfort tone)



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Adaptive Multi-Rate audio codec(AMR)

Mode	Bitrate (kbit/s)	Channel	Compatible with
AMR_12.20	12.20	FR	<u>ETSI GSM enhanced full rate</u>
AMR_10.20	10.20	FR	
AMR_7.95	7.95	FR/HR	
AMR_7.40	7.40	FR/HR	<u>TIA/EIA IS-641 TDMA enhanced full rate</u>
AMR_6.70	6.70	FR/HR	<u>ARIB 6.7 kbit/s enhanced full rate</u>
AMR_5.90	5.90	FR/HR	
AMR_5.15	5.15	FR/HR	
AMR_4.75	4.75	FR/HR	
AMR_SID	1.80	FR/HR	

FR=full rate channel, HR=half rate channel

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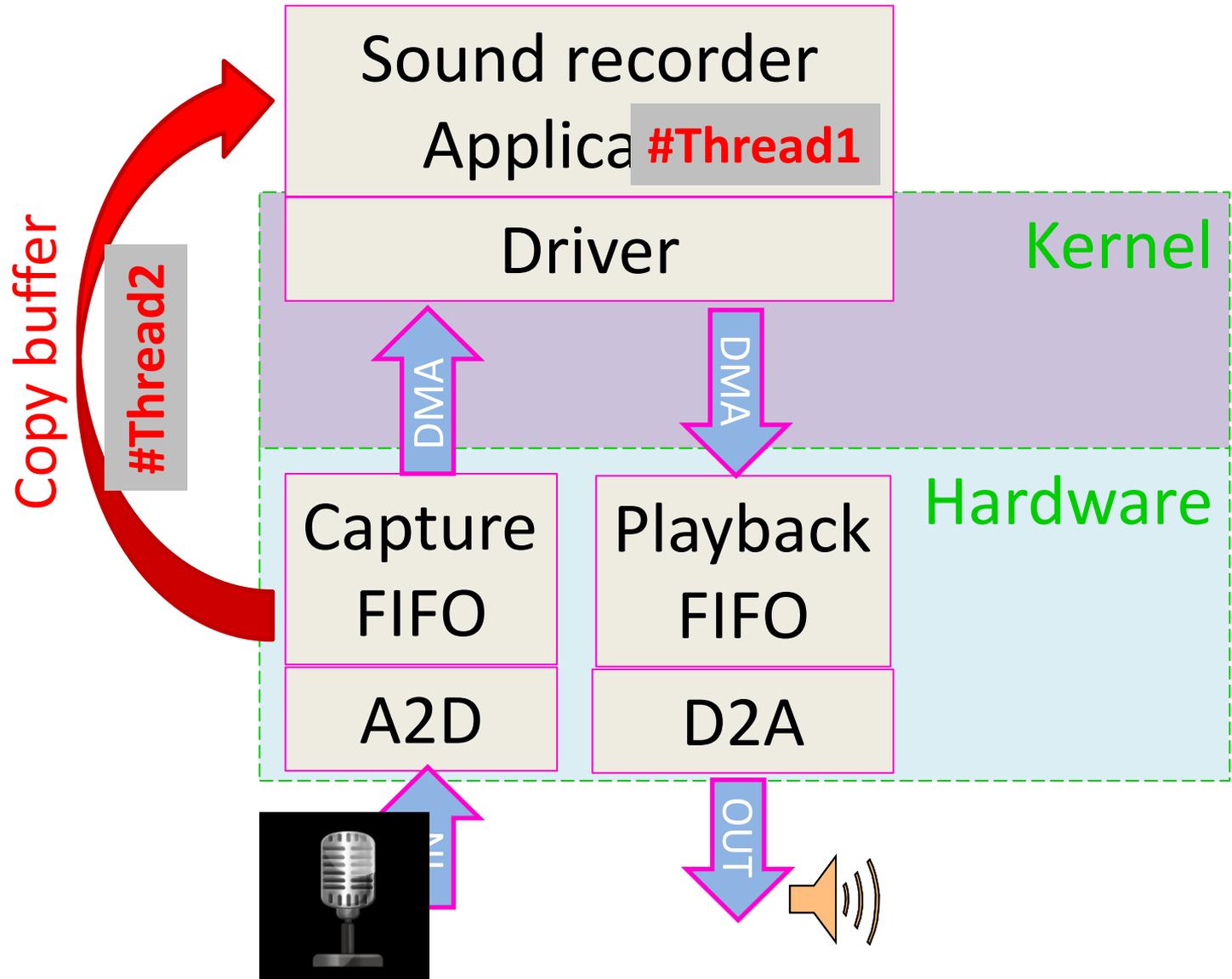
Conclusion

- AAC is codec for music and movie
- AMR is codec for speech recording
- You cannot record in MP3, WMA and OGG format
- Jellybean support recording in WAV format

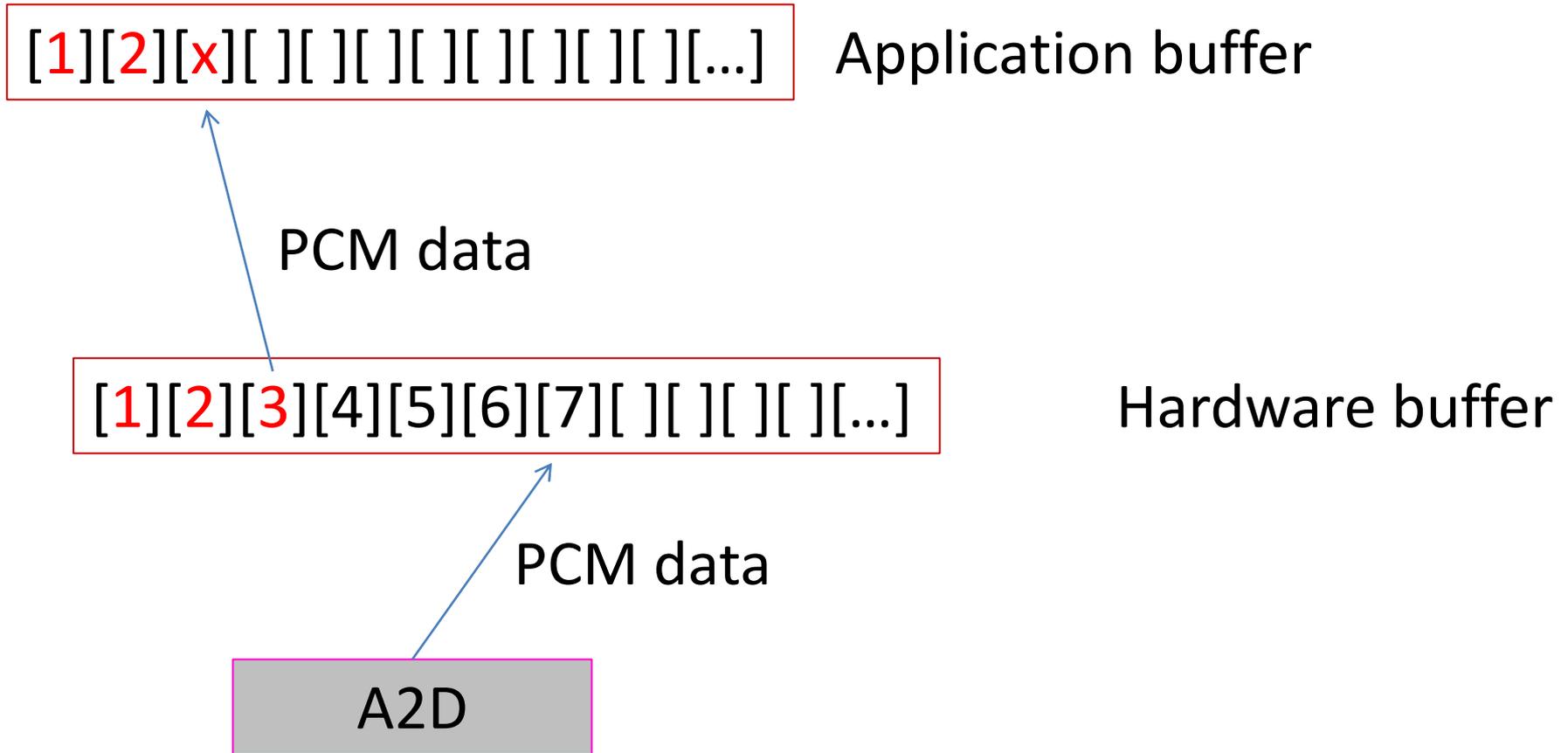
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Record PCM audio sample to memory

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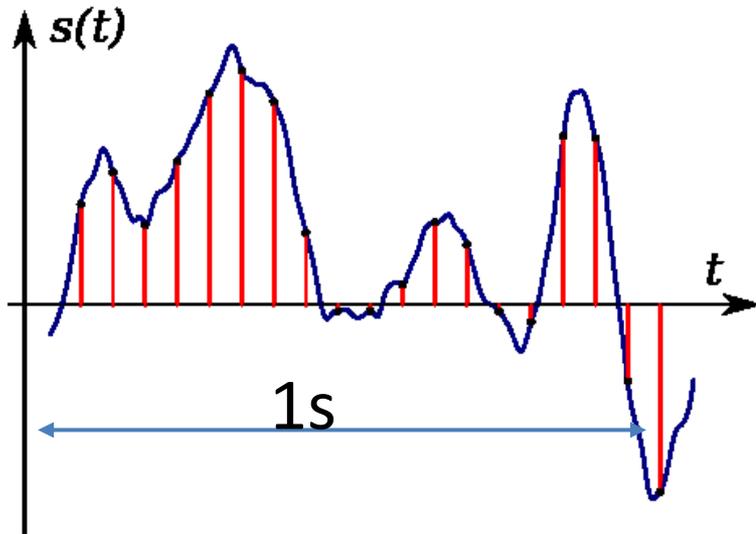


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What is PCM?

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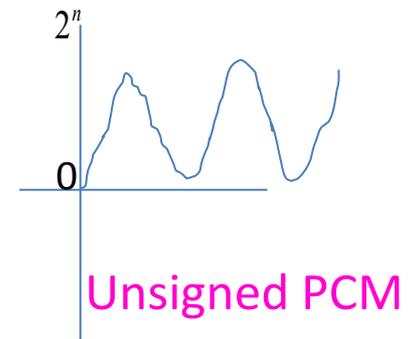
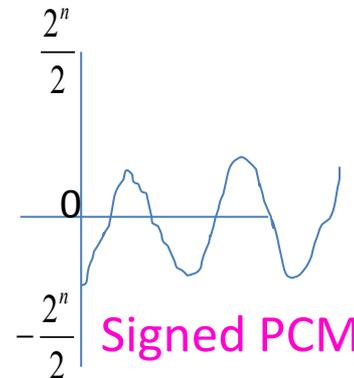
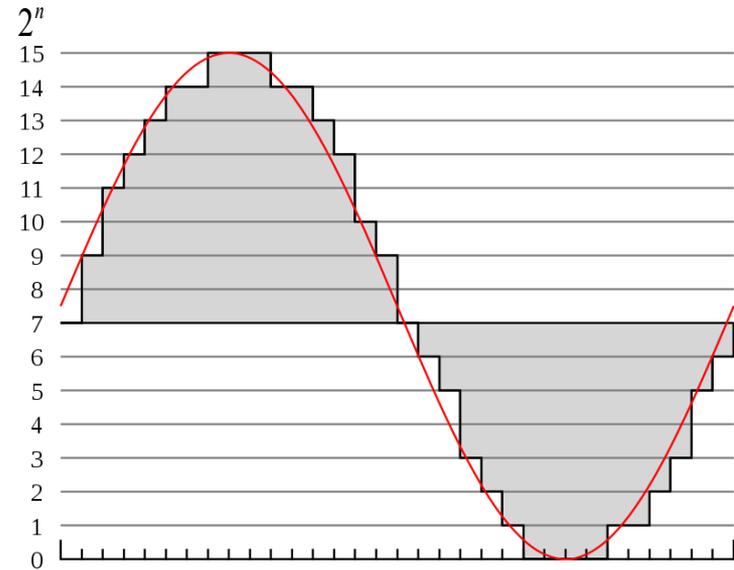
Sampling



$$\text{Sampling rate} = \frac{1}{\Delta t}$$

Sampling rate = number of sample per second

Quantize



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How many buffer need to record 44.1kHz unsigned 16bit mono for 20ms ?

20ms need $44100 \times 0.02 = 882$ samples

882 sample need $882 \times 16 \times 1 = 14112$ bits = 1764 bytes

The answer is 1764 bytes

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How to get recording buffer

- Step 1) Create empty buffer
- Step 2) Select audio source
- Step 3) Initial AudioRecorder object
- Step 4) Start recording
- Step 5) Loop to get audio data
- Step 6) Stop recording and release resource

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Initial configuration for AudioRecorder object

```
public AudioRecord audioRecord;  
public int mSamplesRead; //how many samples read  
public int buffersizebytes;  
public int buflen;  
public int channelConfiguration = AudioFormat.CHANNEL_IN_MONO;  
public int audioEncoding = AudioFormat.ENCODING_PCM_16BIT;  
public static short[] buffer; //+-32767  
public static final int SAMPPERSEC = 22050; //samp per sec 8000, 11025, 22050 44100 or 48000  
Handler h;
```

!!Not all device support all sample rate and all encoding!!

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Get data from buffer

```
mSamplesRead = audioRecord.read(buffer, 0, buffersizebytes);
```

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Start sample

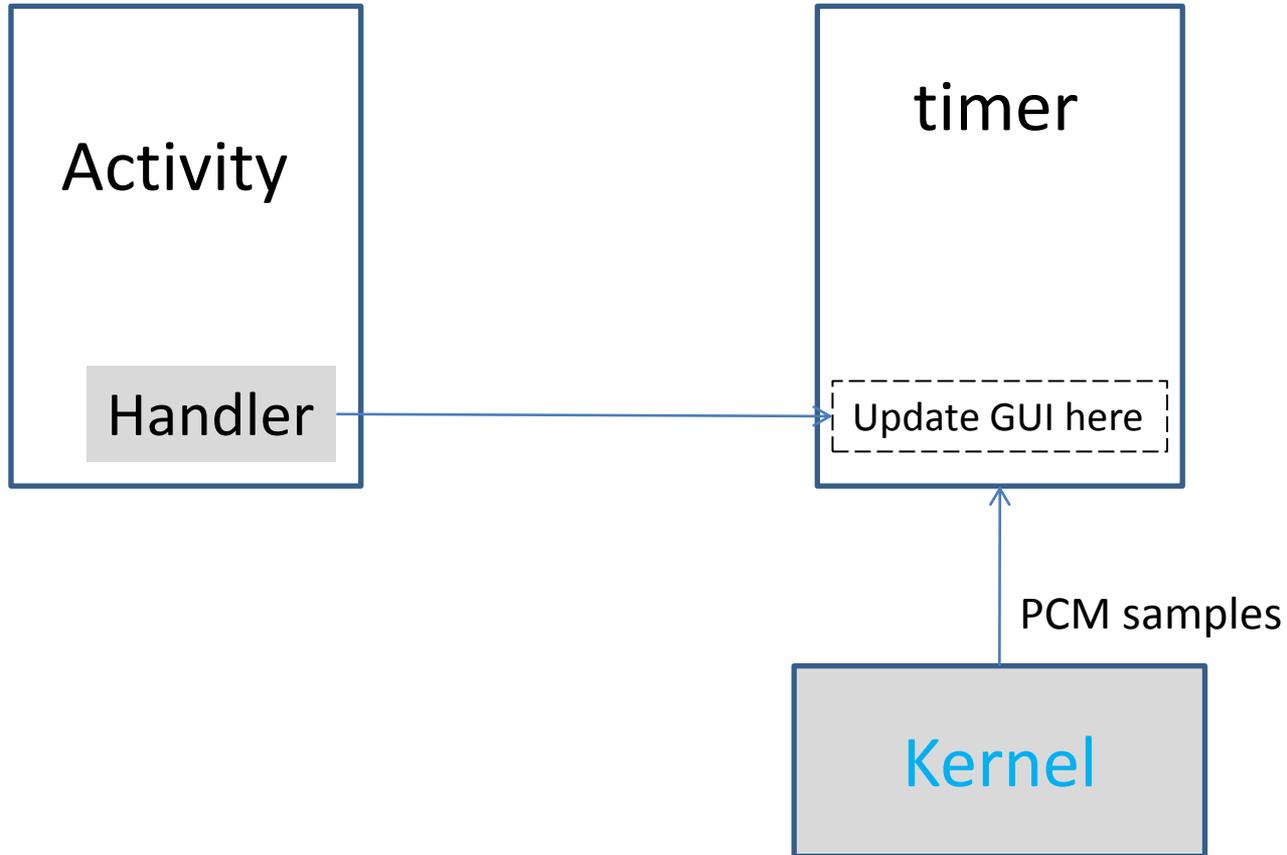
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Length

This method must run in separate thread

The easiest way is to implement in timer class

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Update GUI thread

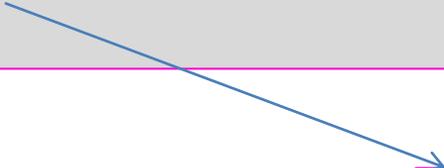


Asynchronous call is required!

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Update GUI thread

```
protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
    .....  
    h=new Handler();  
}
```

A blue arrow originates from the line `h=new Handler();` in the first code block and points to the `h.post(UpdateGui);` line in the second code block.

```
h.post(UpdateGui);
```

A blue arrow originates from the `run()` method in the third code block and points to the `h.post(UpdateGui);` line in the second code block.

```
private Runnable UpdateGui=new Runnable()  
{  
    @Override  
    public void run() {  
        .....  
    }  
};
```

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Birthday candle algorithm

- 1) Play Video
- 2) Start audio capture
- 3) Get audio buffer
- 4) IF Average(buffer) > Threshold then
 Stop Video
 END IF
- 4) Goto 2

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Birthday candle algorithm

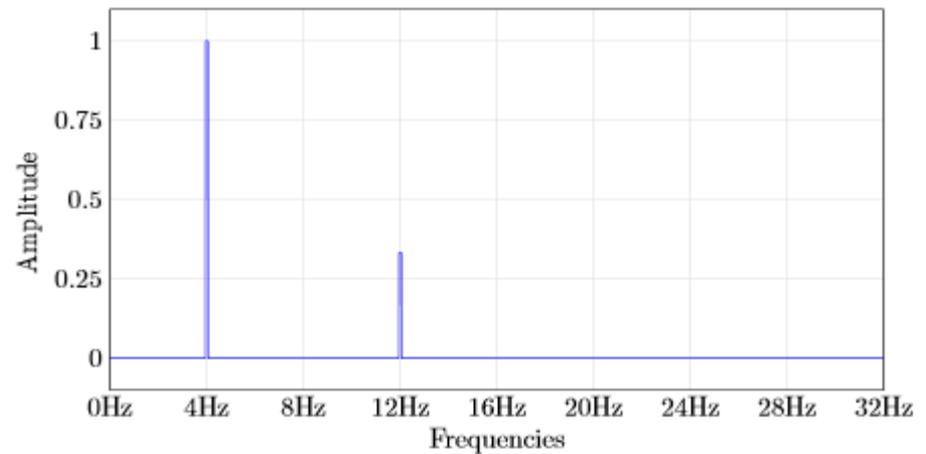
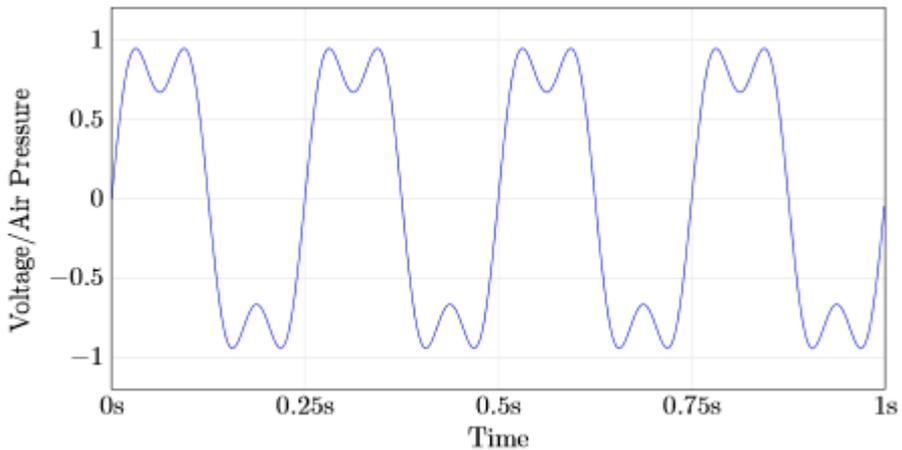
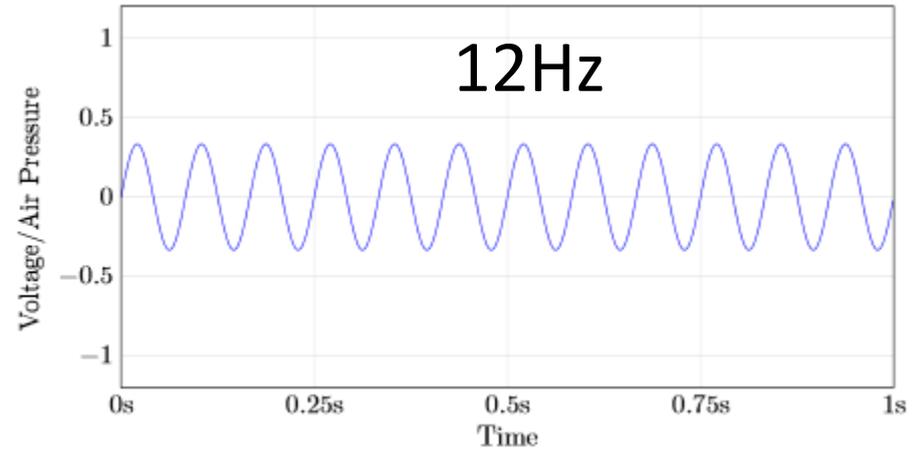
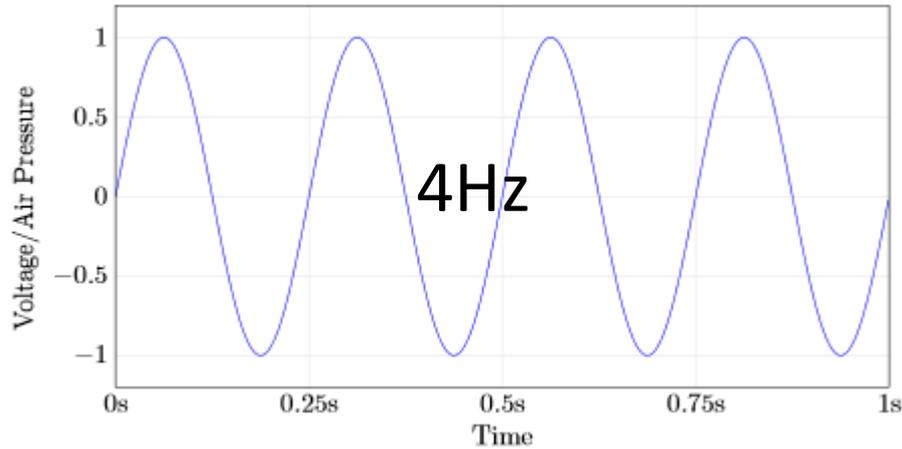
```
mSamplesRead = audioRecord.read(buffer, 0, buffersizebytes);  
for(int i=0;i<(buffer.length);i++)  
    {  
        temp=temp+Math.abs(buffer[i]);  
    }  
  
if((((float)(temp/buffer.length)/32768f)*100f)>10f)  
    {  
        h.post(update_candle);  
    }
```

Normalize

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Fast Fourier transform (FFT)

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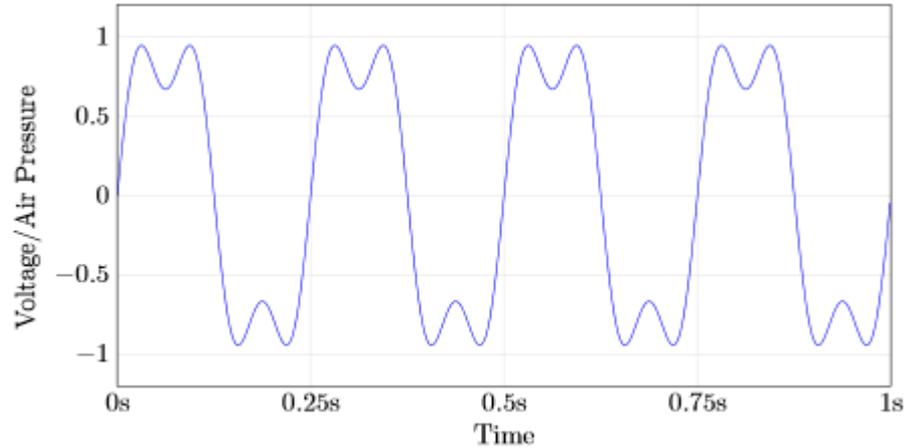


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Fourier's formula using sines and cosines

$$(S_N f)(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^N [a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx)], \quad N \geq 0.$$

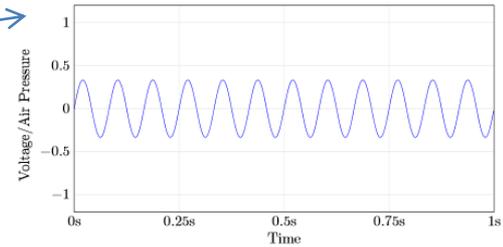
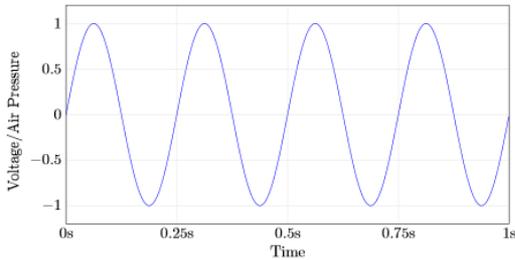
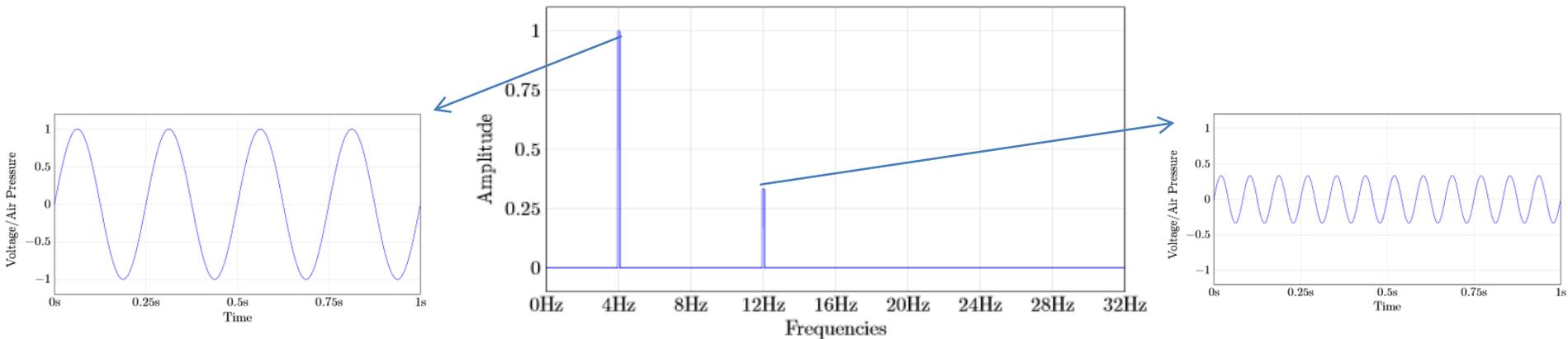
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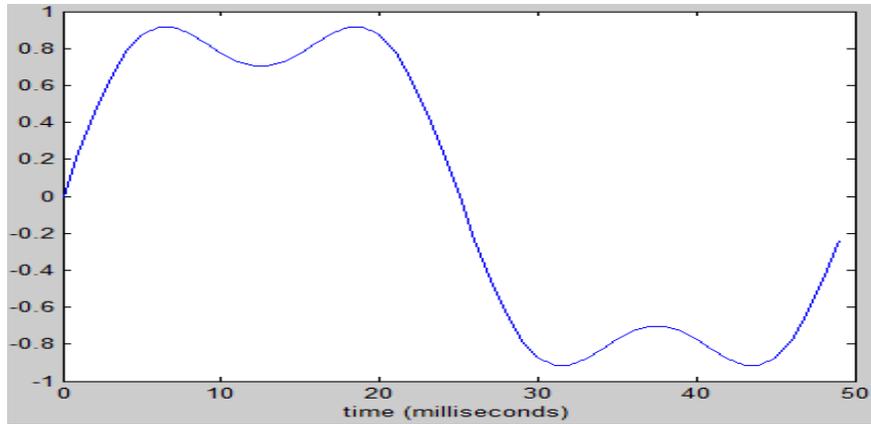
Discrete Fourier transform

$$X_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n e^{-i2\pi k \frac{n}{N}}$$

$$k = 0, \dots, N - 1.$$



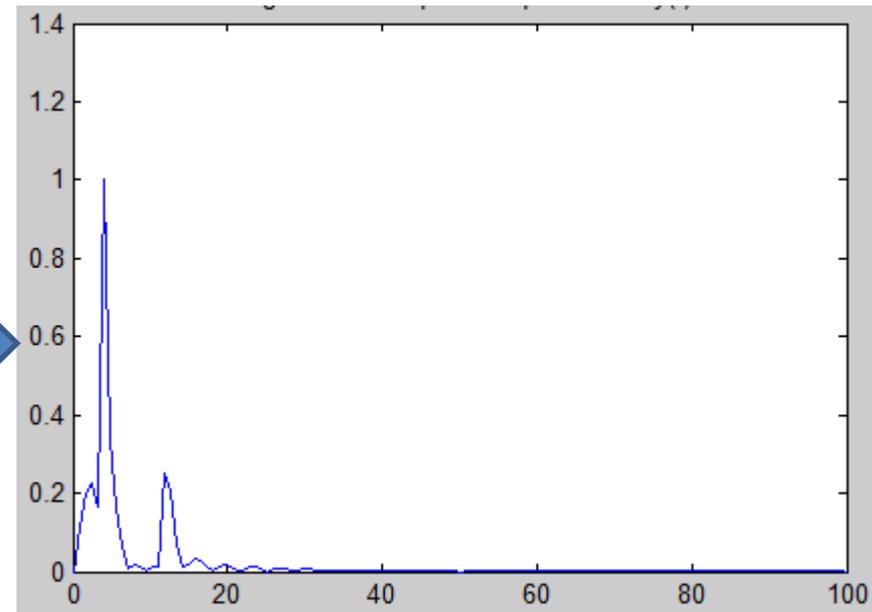
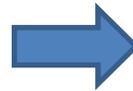
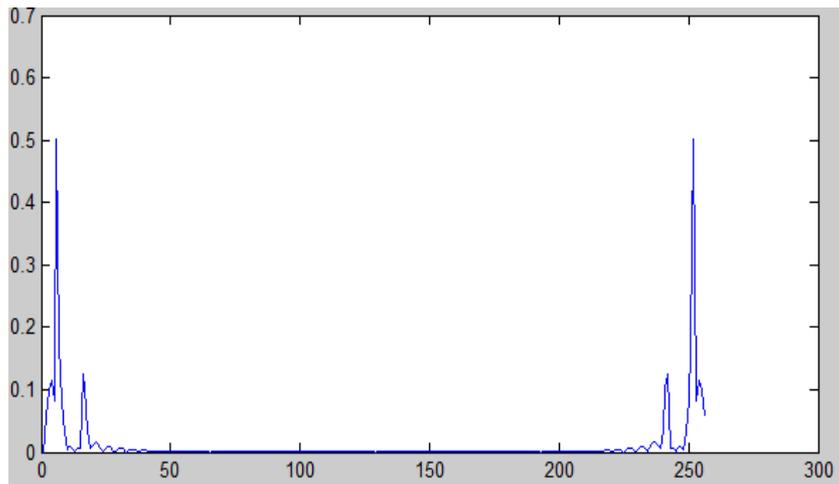
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Jtransforms library



Fast Fourier transform



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L must be 2^n

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Jtransforms.realForward

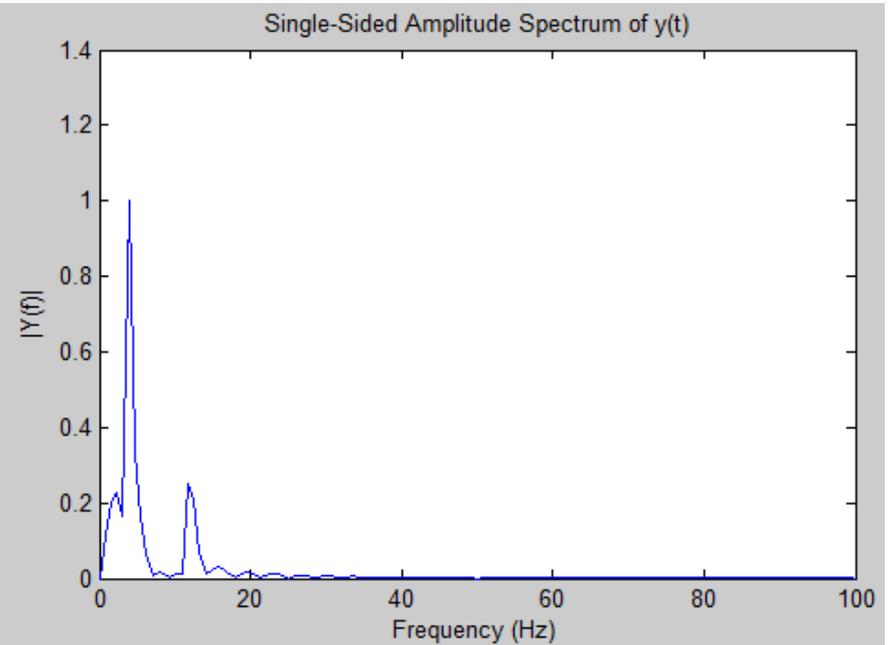
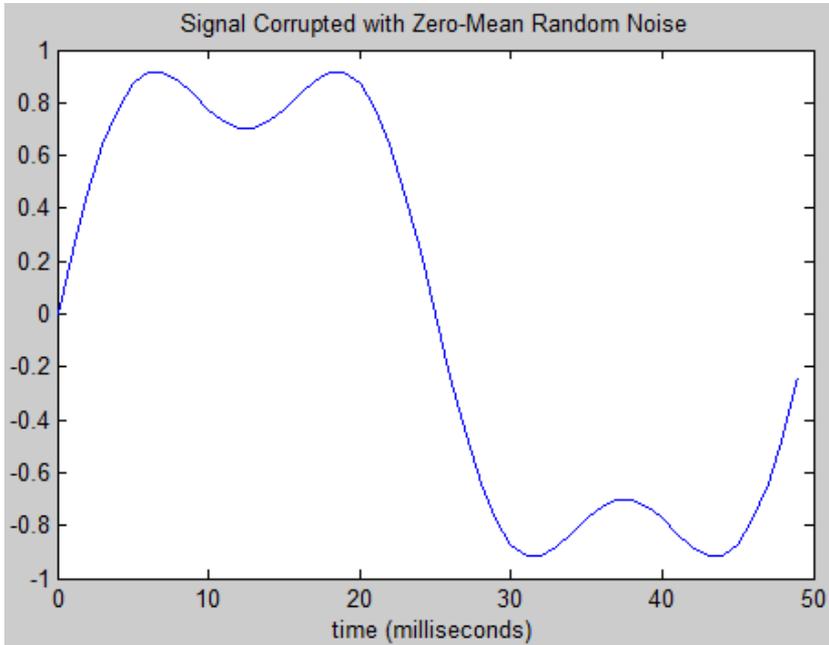


$\frac{L}{2} + 1$

$$\textit{Amplitude} = 2 \left| \textit{fft} \left[1 : \frac{L}{2} + 1 \right] \right|$$

$$\textit{Frequency} = \frac{\textit{SamplingRate}}{2L}$$

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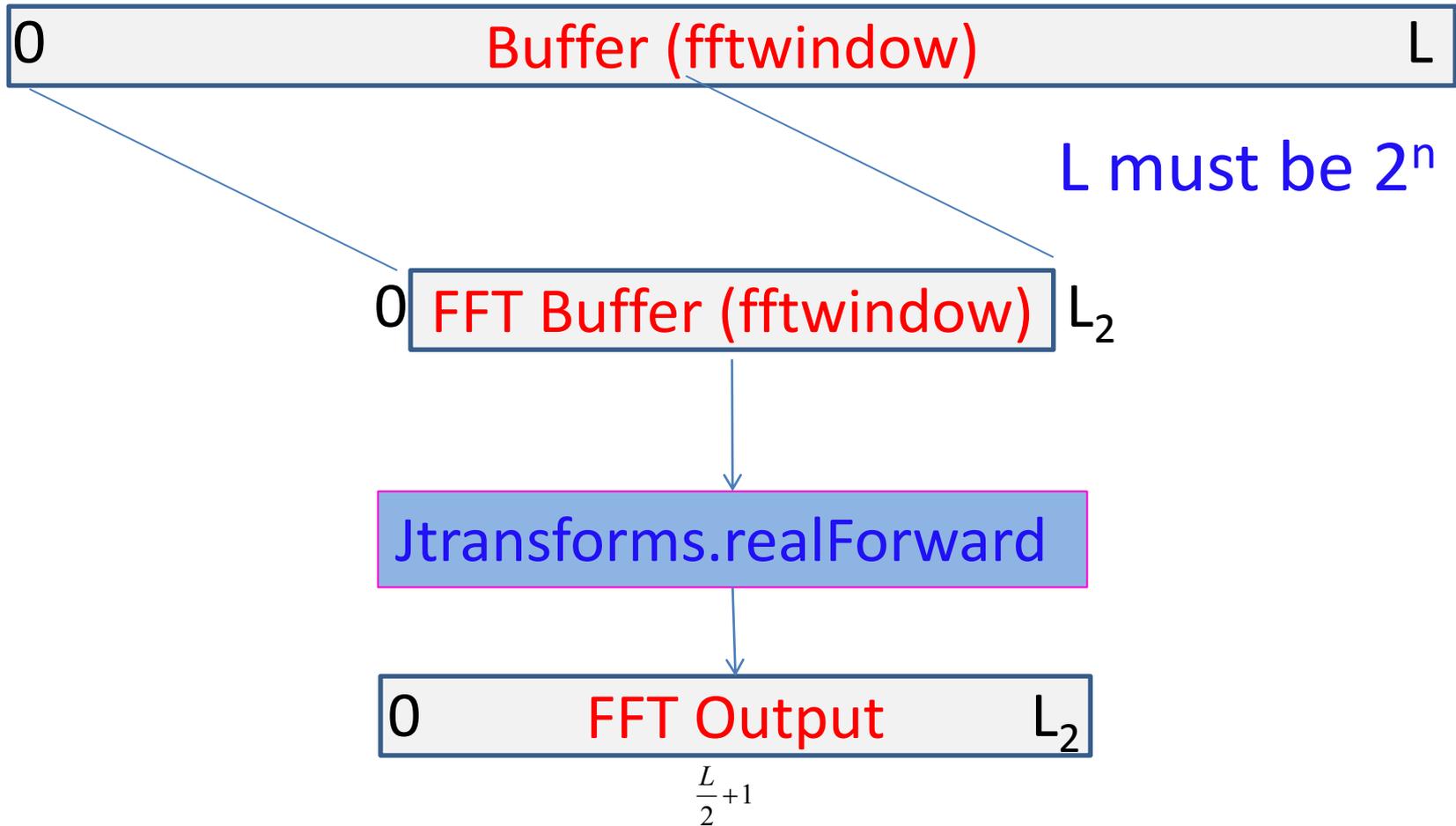
But minimum buffer size of **44.1k** 16bit mono is **8192** bytes

After do FFT we get result **4097** elements every 185ms

AChartEngine cannot handle that information

We will cheat!

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$$\textit{Amplitude} = 2 \left| \textit{fft} \left[1 : \frac{L_2}{2} + 1 \right] \right| \quad \textit{Frequency} = \frac{\textit{SamplingRate} \div \textit{FFTWindow}}{2}$$

Thank you 😊