

# Motivation

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REALITY

Bridge

Aircraft

TEST

MODEL

Static equations

Flight equations

SIMULATE  
CALCULATE

REALITY

MODEL

Bridge

Static equations

Abstract



Aircraft

Flight equations

Build  
Predict



TEST

SIMULATE  
CALCULATE

REALITY

MODEL

Piece of hardware

???

Piece of software

???

Wrong questions !

REALITY

MODEL

## Piece of information

- audio
- video
- text

## Transformer of information

- for communication
- for computation
- for storage

# REALITY

## "Signal"

Piece of information

- audio
- video
- text

## "System"

Transformer of information

- for communication
- for computation
- for storage

# MODEL

Mathematical  
functions

State machines

Linear equations

REALITY

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"System"

Transformer of information

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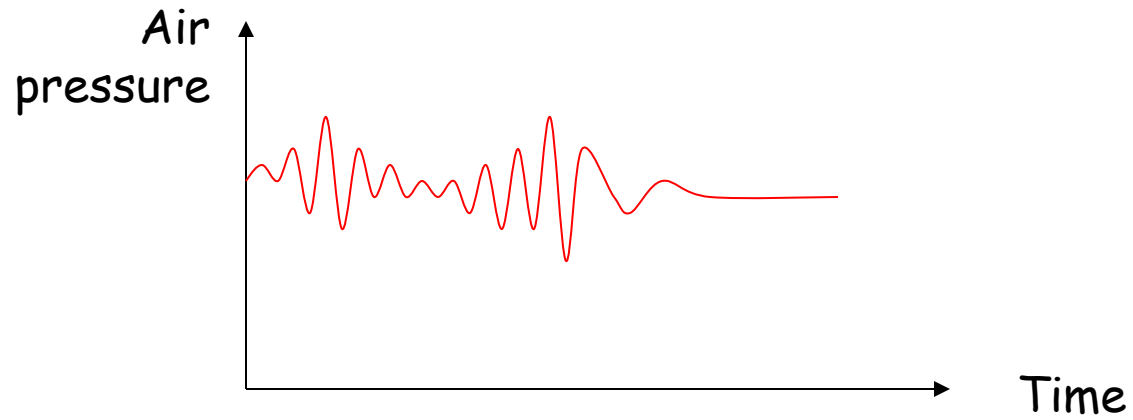


Implement  
Predict



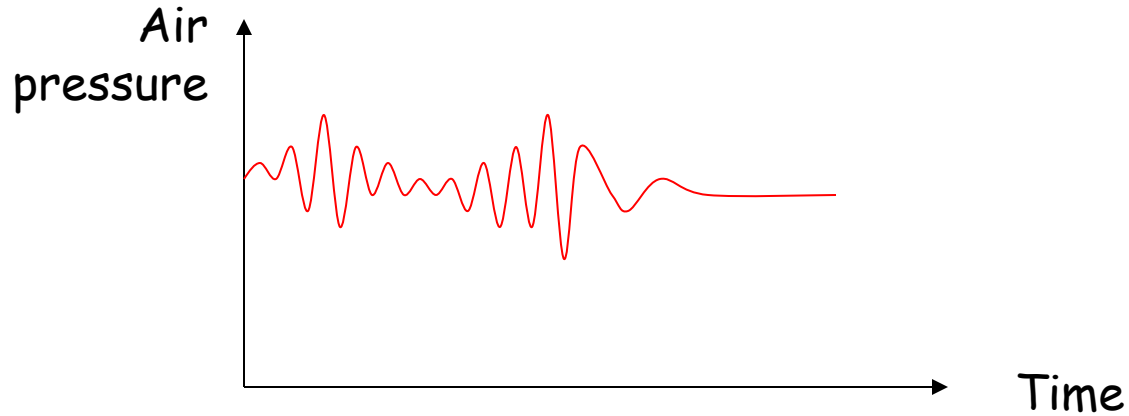
Simulate  
Calculate

Signal



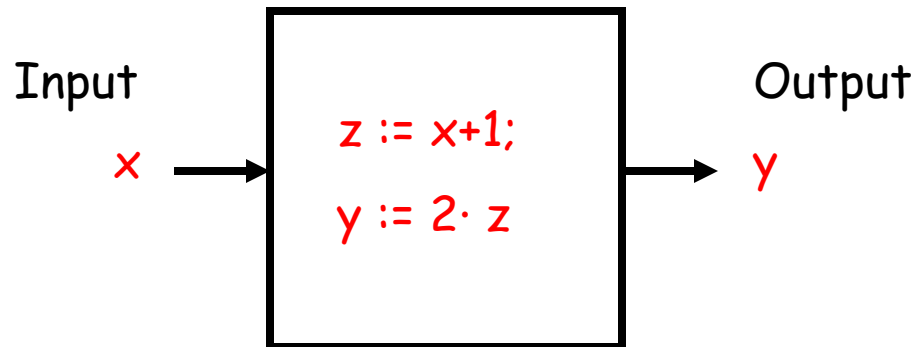
Sound: Time  $\rightarrow$  Air pressure

Signal



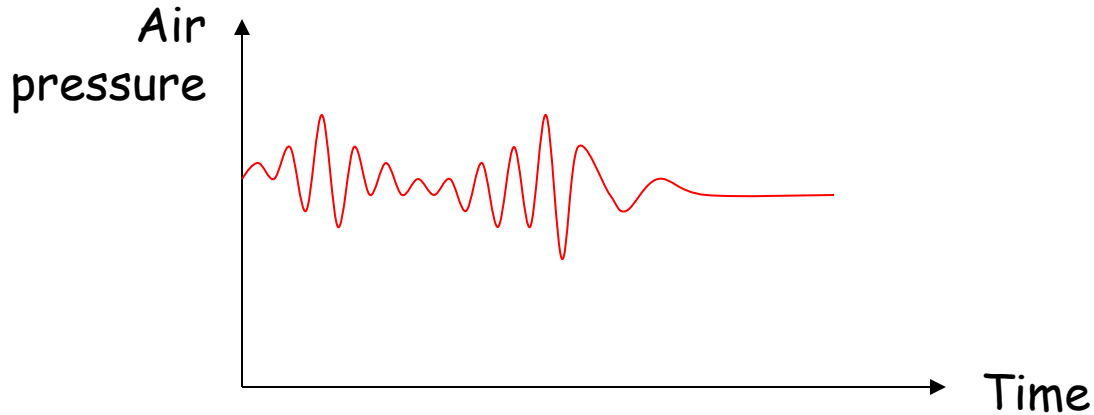
Sound: Time  $\rightarrow$  Air pressure

System



Program: Inputs  $\rightarrow$  Outputs

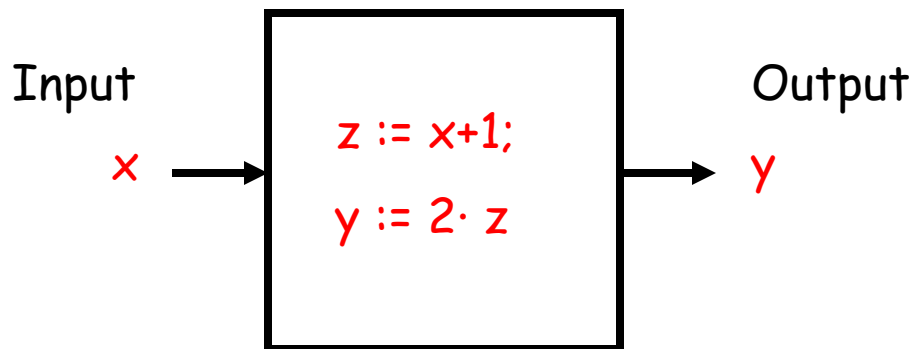
Signal



Function  
description

Sound: Time  $\rightarrow$  Air pressure

System



Function  
prescription

Program: Inputs  $\rightarrow$  Outputs