

From Fourier Series to Analysis of Non-stationary Signals – VIII

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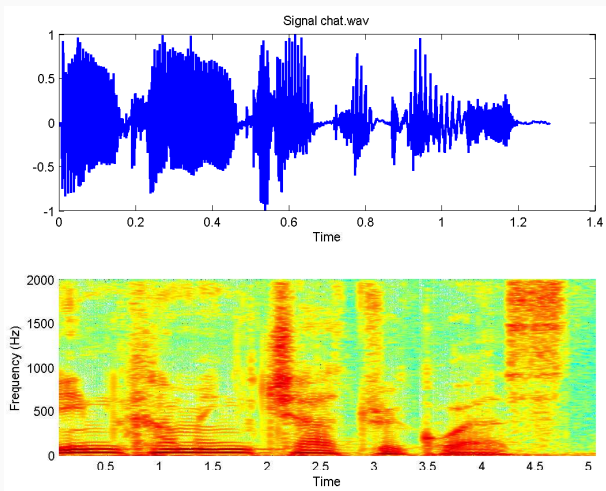
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- Speech is **non-stationary signal** where properties change quite rapidly over time.
- For most phonemes the properties of the speech remain invariant for a short period of time ($\approx 5\text{--}100$ ms).
- These segments are assumed to be **stationary** and we can use DFT for any $\approx 5\text{--}100$ ms segment.



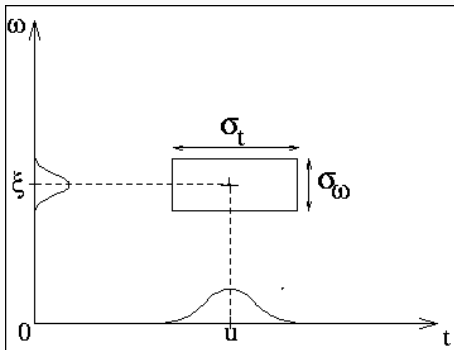
- Most of speech processing is done by taking short **overlapping windows** and processing them.
- **Windowing**: a long signal is multiplied with a window function of finite length, giving finite length weighted version of the original signal.



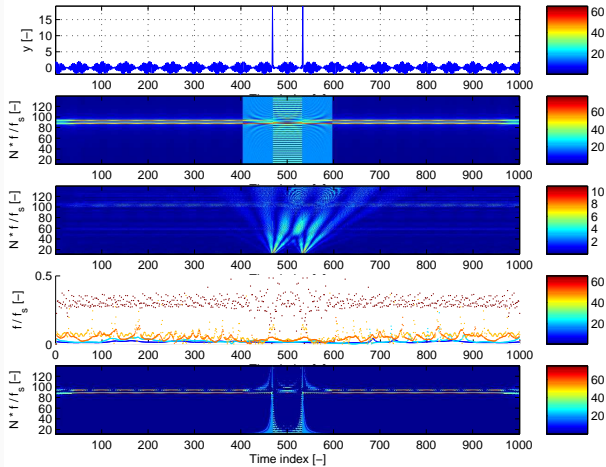
- In speech processing the shape of the window function is not that crucial.
- Usually some “soft” window like **Hanning**, or **Hamming** are used. Their sideband lobes are substantially smaller than those of a rectangular window.
- In speech recognition the windows are usually overlapping 10 ms each other.



- If $f(t)$ is non-zero with a compact support, then its Fourier transform cannot be zero on a whole interval.
- If its Fourier transform $F(j\omega)$ is compactly supported, then it cannot be zero on a time interval.
- Hence, even if the Heisenberg constraints are verified, it is impossible to have an function in space \mathbb{L}^2 which is **compactly supported both in the time and frequency domains.**



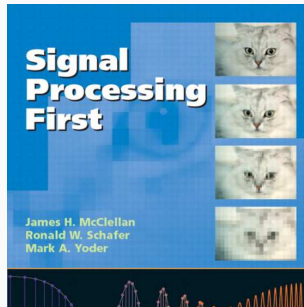
- In particular, there is no instantaneous frequency analysis for finite energy signals.



Harmonic signal with two pulses, STFT, WT, HHT and DZT spectrogram

MATLAB project

```
% J. H. McClellan, R. W. Schafer, and M. A.  
Yoder  
% Signal Processing First, ISBN  
0-13-065562-7.  
% Prentice Hall (c) 2003  
% spectrogram of a music scale  
% M. Vlcek, Prague, 2010
```





```
% make a scale for C major  
c4=40; cis4=41; d4=42; dis4=43; e4=44; f4=45;  
fis4=46; g4=47; gis4=48; a4=49; ais4=50; b4=51;  
c5=52;  
keys = [ c1 d e f g a h c2 ];  
% Remember: key #49 is a4 (i.e. 440 Hz)
```

How to generate tone frequencies?

tone	C ₄	D ₄	E ₄	F ₄	G ₄	A ₄	B ₄	C ₅
f[Hz]	261.63	293.66	329.63	349.23	392.00	440.00	493.88	523.25

Note:

- Every octave has 12 tones
- Every octave doubles the frequency
- Tone frequencies form a **geometric series**

Example (Frequency of C5 based on A4)

The tone C4 is nine half-tones below A4, and the tone C5 is three half-tones above A4, therefore

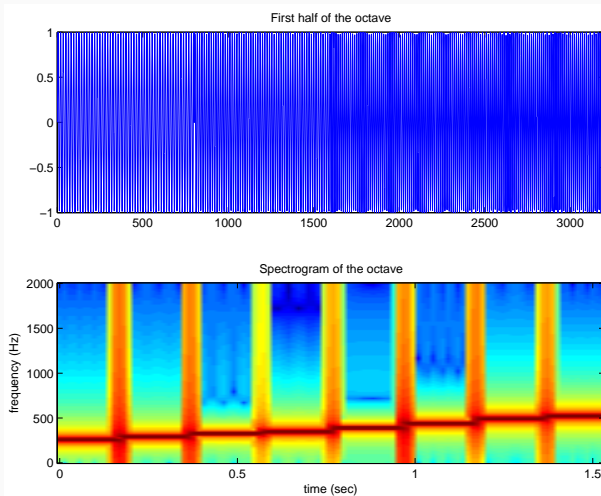
$$f(C_4) = f(A_4) \cdot 2^{(-9/12)} = 440 \cdot 2^{-0.75} = 261.63$$

$$f(C_5) = f(A_4) \cdot 2^{(3/12)} = 440 \cdot 2^{0.25} = 523.25$$



```
Fs = 4000;  
t0 = 0.2;  
tt = 0:(1/Fs):t0;  
y2 = [];  
for k = 1:length(keys)  
    keynum = keys(k);  
    % add 12 to move up 1 octave  
    freq = 440 * (2 .^((keynum - 49)/12));  
    % based on A=440 Hz  
    y2 = [ y2, cos( 2*pi*freq*tt - pi/2 ) ];  
end  
% play it  
sound(y2, Fs);
```

```
Fmax = Fs/4;  
Nfft = 256;  
Nover = 200;  
% Old approach to generating a spectrogram  
[B,F,T] = specgram(y2, Nfft, Fmax, [], Nover);  
figure(1);  
imagesc(T, F, db(B, 40)); % Amplitude in decibels!  
title('Spectrogram of the octave');  
axis('xy');  
colormap('default');  
ylabel('Frequency [Hz]');  
xlabel('Time [sec]');
```



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Homework

- a) Select a Christmas carol that has not been composed in C-major scale.
- b) Generate the tone scale using the non-windowed approach.
- c) Compose the Carol using Matlab commands
- d) Compose a Christmas carol with a tone scale improved by windowing.
- e) Deliver the code that generates the `.wav` format as ZIP file by December 11, 2019.