



SPECTRAL ANALYSIS

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Fourier-based power spectrum analysis

- The **estimated power spectrum (periodogram)** of a *stationary* signal $x[n]$ ($x[n]$ is assumed to be zero outside the interval $[0, N - 1]$), is obtained by computing the squared magnitude of the N-point DTFT of $x[n]$

$$\widehat{S}_x(\omega) = \frac{1}{N} |X(\omega)|^2 = \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j\omega n} \right|^2$$

- Since N-point DFT completely specifies the DTFT of a finite duration sequence of length N samples, the **estimated power spectrum (periodogram)** of a *stationary* signal $x[n]$ can simply be computed following

$$P[k] = \frac{1}{N} |X(k)|^2 = \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{j\left(\frac{2\pi k}{N}\right)n} \right|^2$$

- Parseval's theorem expresses the energy in the finite duration sequence $x[n]$ in terms of the frequency components $X[k]$

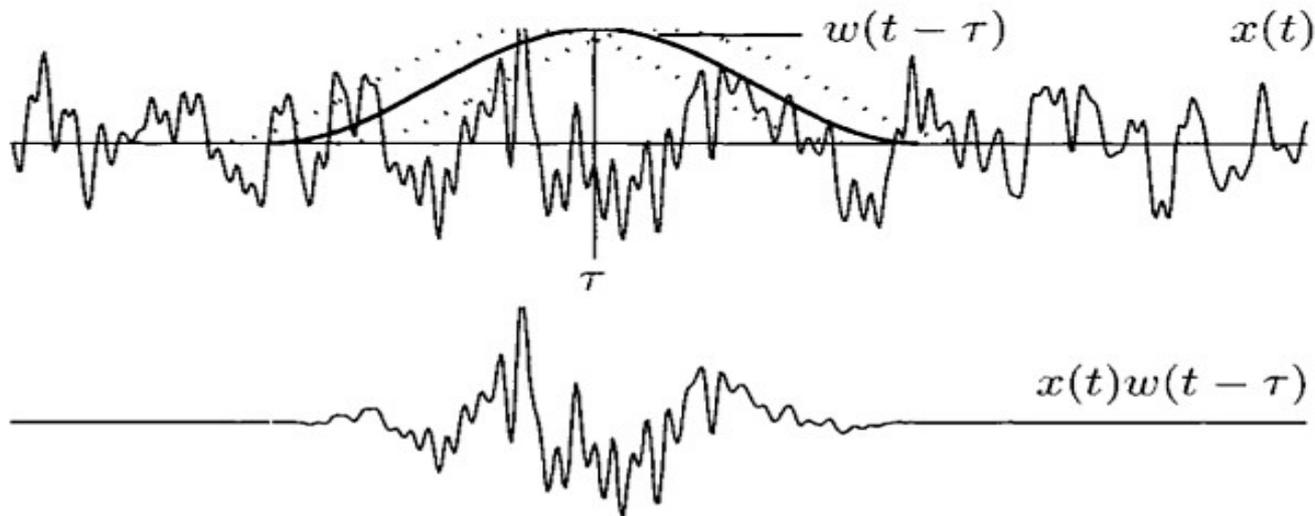
$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |X[k]|^2$$

Joint time-frequency analysis

- A major limitation of Fourier-based spectral analysis is its inability to provide information on **when** in time different frequencies of a signal occur
- The Fourier transform only reflects **which** frequencies exist during the total observation interval, because the Fourier transform integrates frequency components over the total observation interval
- While such spectral analysis is adequate for **stationary** signals whose frequencies, on average, are equally spread in time, it is inadequate for **non-stationary** signals with time dependent spectral content
- There is strong motivation for the development of methods that analyze signals with regard to **both time and frequency** so that the frequencies present at each instant in time can be displayed
- **Joint time-frequency information** has been found extremely valuable for many types of biomedical signals exhibiting non-stationary characteristics

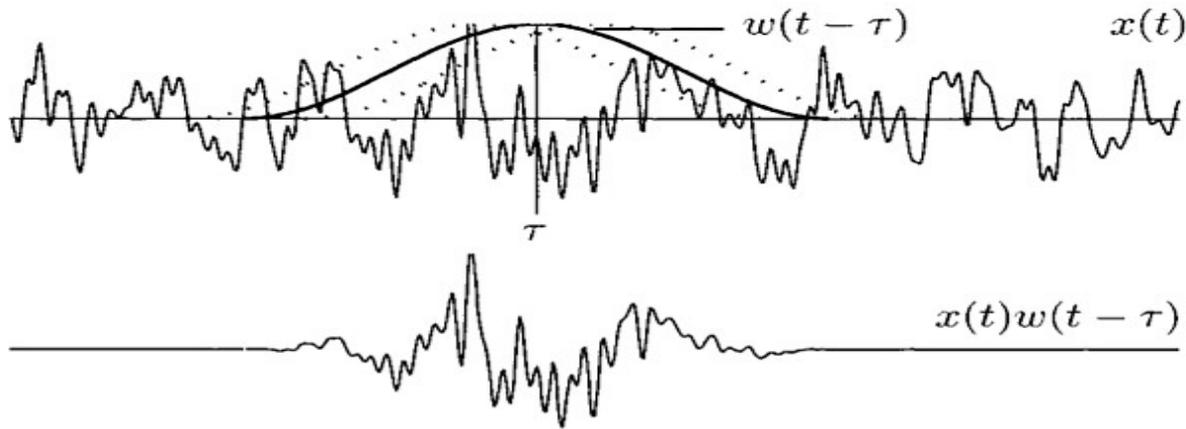
The short-time Fourier transform

- The **short-time Fourier transform** is a classical non-parametric method to obtain time-frequency representation by linear filtering operation



- In the short-time Fourier transform, a sliding time window $w(t - \tau)$ is used for excerpting successive parts of the signal $x(t)$

The short-time Fourier transform



- In this approach, the definition of the Fourier transform is modified so that a sliding time window $w(t)$ is included that defines each time segment to be analyzed, thus resulting in a two-dimensional function $X(t, \Omega)$ defined by:

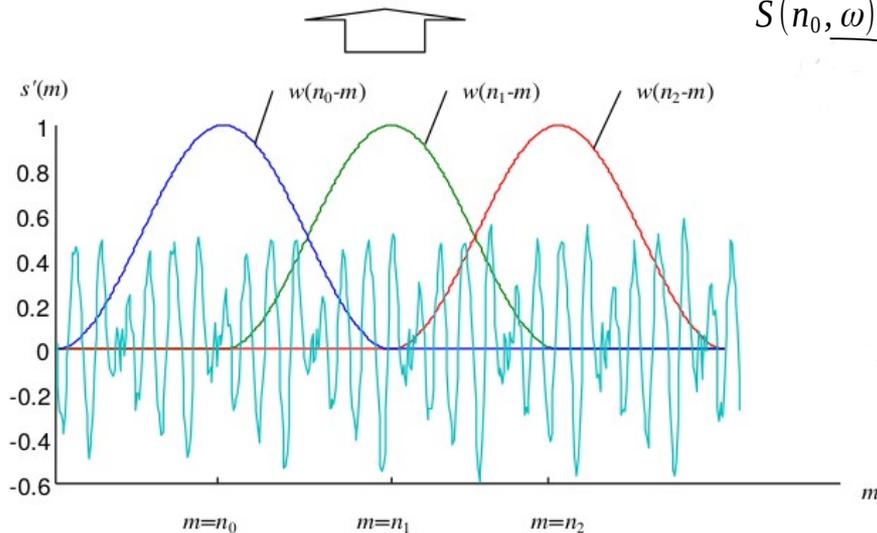
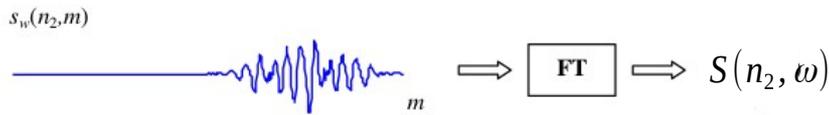
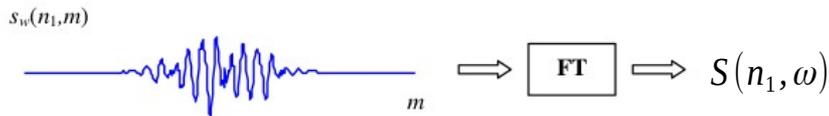
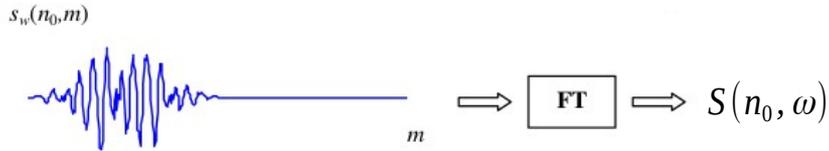
$$X(t, \Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) w(\tau - t) e^{-j\Omega \tau} d\tau$$

where Ω denotes analog frequency

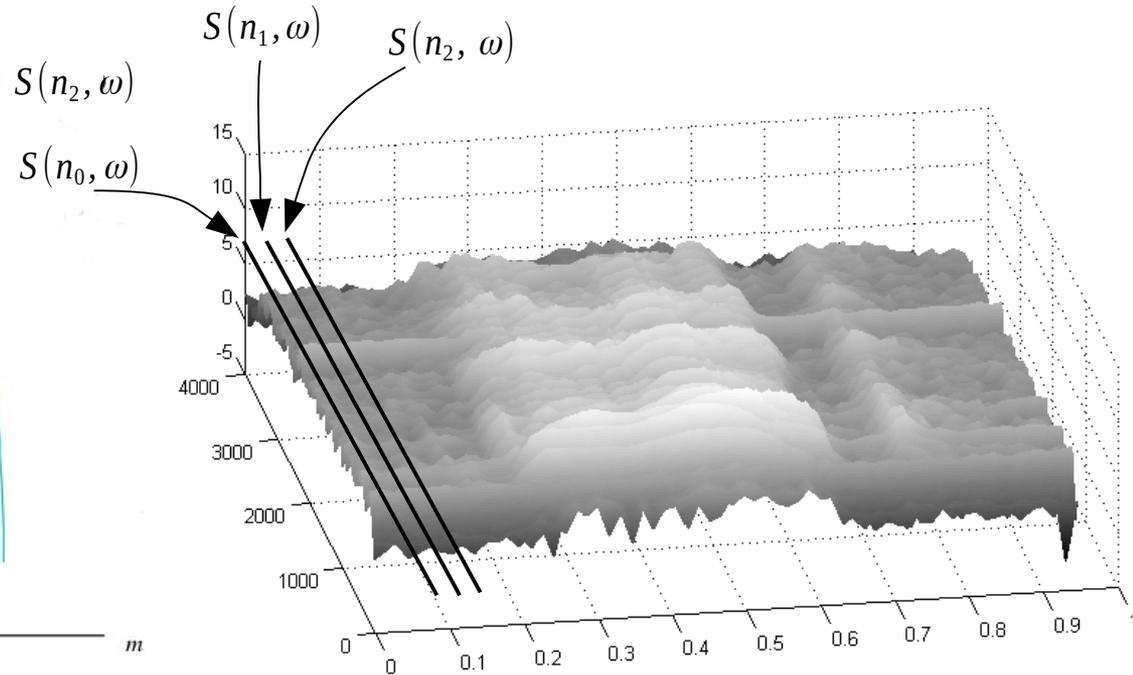
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The short-time Fourier transform



- Divide a signal into short segments
- Calculate amplitude spectrum for each segment
- Compose time series of spectra
- **Short-time Fourier transform of word "devet"**



Spectrogram

- Analogous to the computation of the **periodogram**, which was obtained as the squared magnitude of the Fourier transform of the signal:

$$\widehat{S}_x(\omega) = \frac{1}{N} |X(\omega)|^2 = \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j\omega n} \right|^2$$

the **spectrogram**, $S_x(t, \Omega)$, of $x(t)$ is obtained by computing the **squared magnitude of the short-time Fourier transform**:

$$S_x(t, \Omega) = |X(t, \Omega)|^2$$

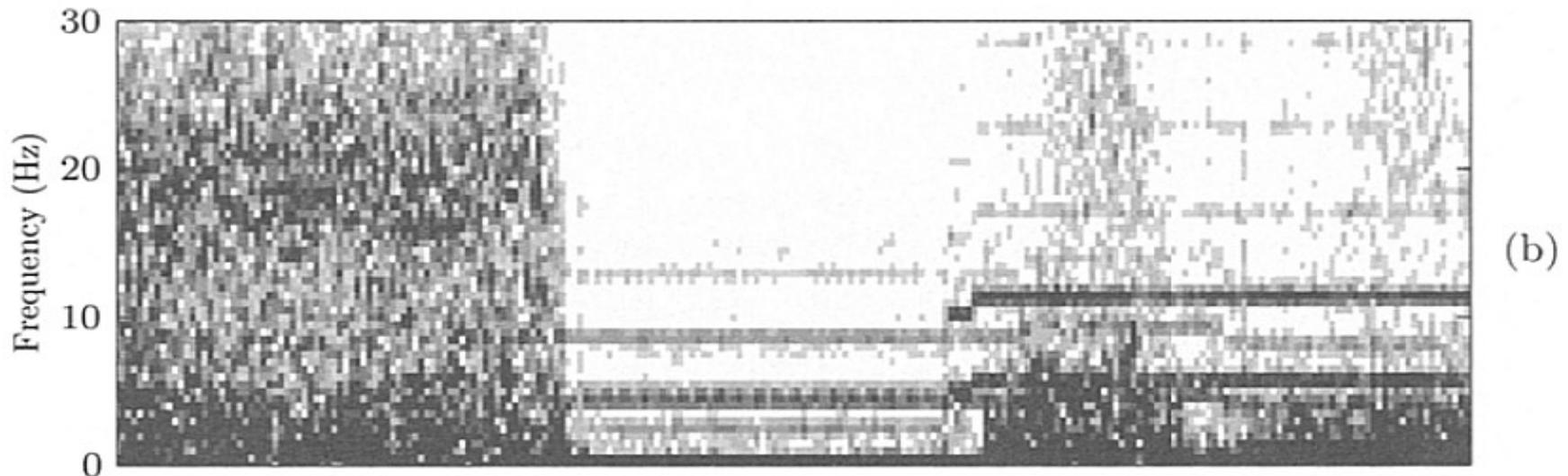
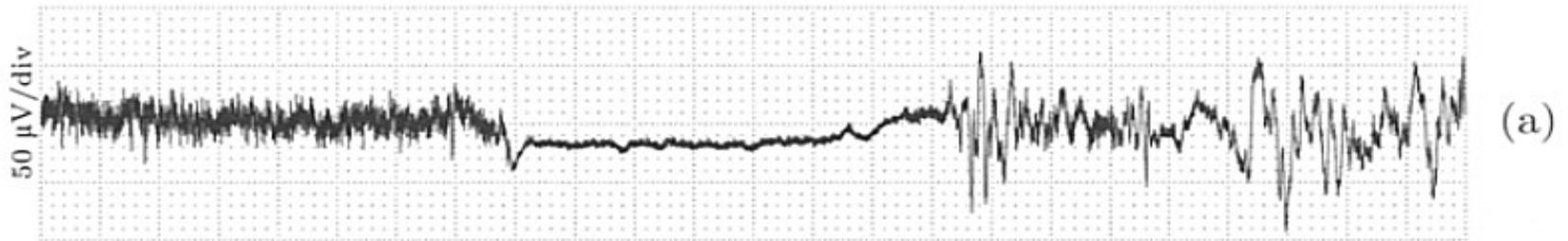
where

$$X(t, \Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) w(\tau - t) e^{-j\Omega \tau} d\tau$$

- The **spectrogram**, $S_x(t, \Omega)$, is a real-valued, nonnegative distribution which provides a signal representation in the **time-frequency domain**

Example

- (a) The EEG recorded during heart surgery of an infant (time scale from 0 to 300 sec)
- (b) The spectrogram displays a drastic reduction in high-frequency content after 100 s, partially reverting at about 200 s

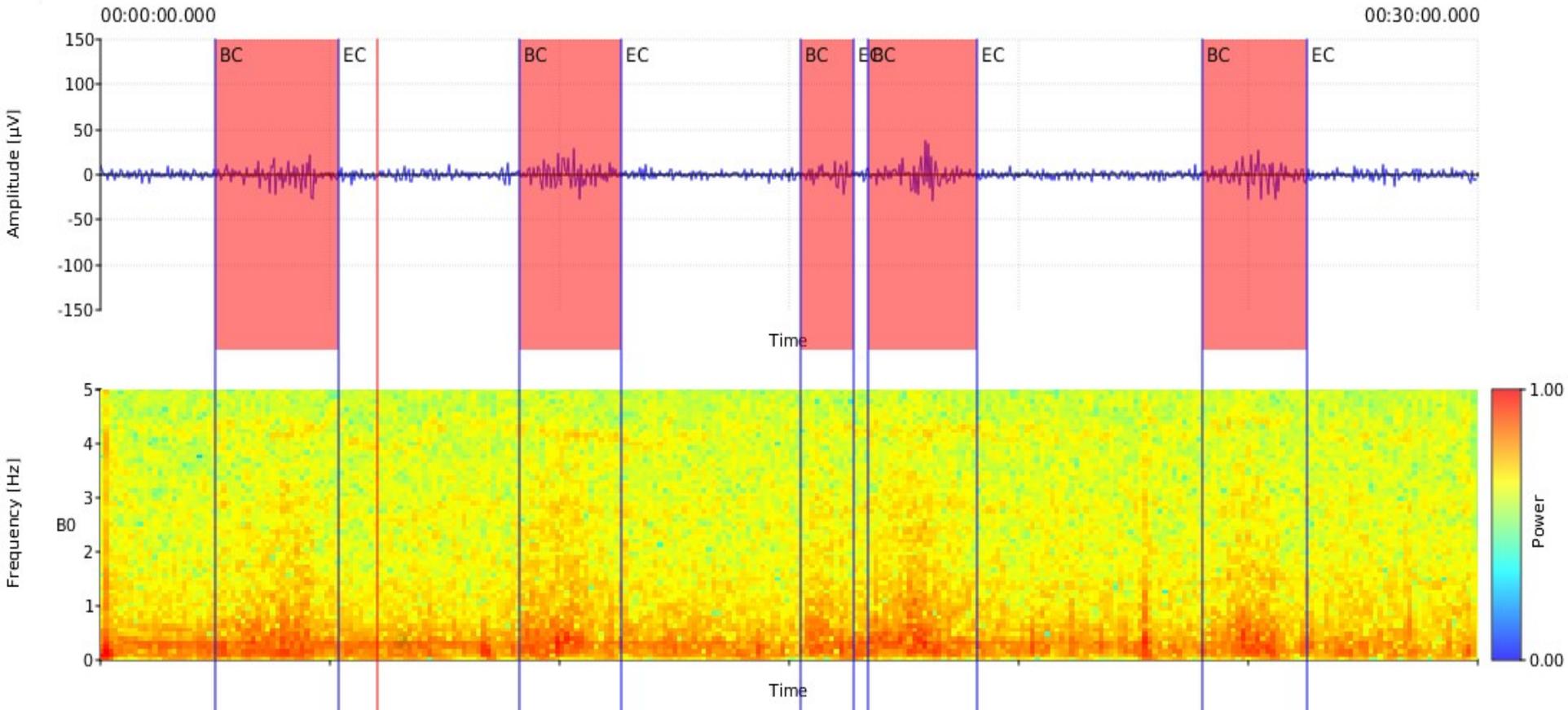


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Example

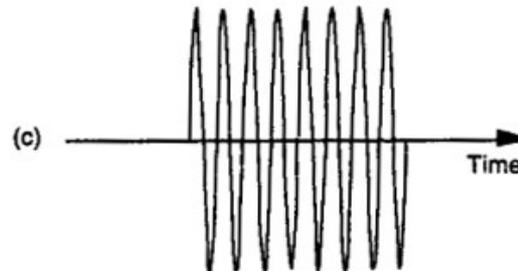
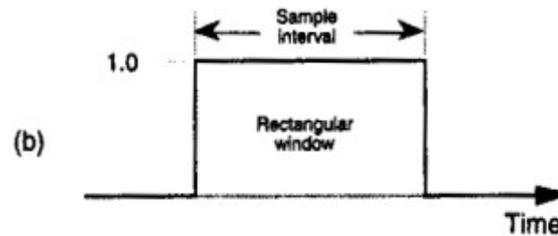
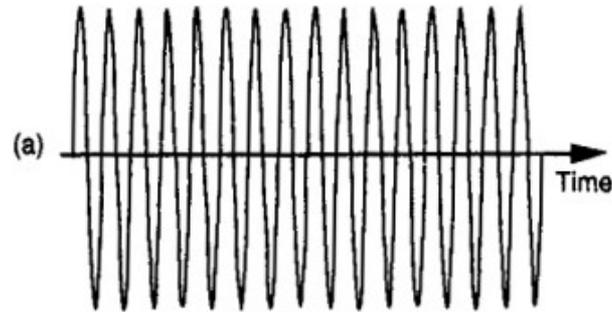
- (Upper) 30-minute excerpt of the EMG of uterus recorded from the abdomen showing contractions (the pregnancy ended in pre-term delivery)
- (Lower) The spectrogram, the power spectra, from 0 Hz to 5.0 Hz (the width of sliding window is 256 samples, 12.8 sec, $F_s = 20$ smp/sec)





Window functions

- Rectangular window



Window functions

- **Sinusoid signal**, the effect of windowing (rectangular window, length N)

$$x(n) = \cos(\omega_0 n) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\omega_0 n} + \frac{1}{2} e^{j\omega_0 n}$$

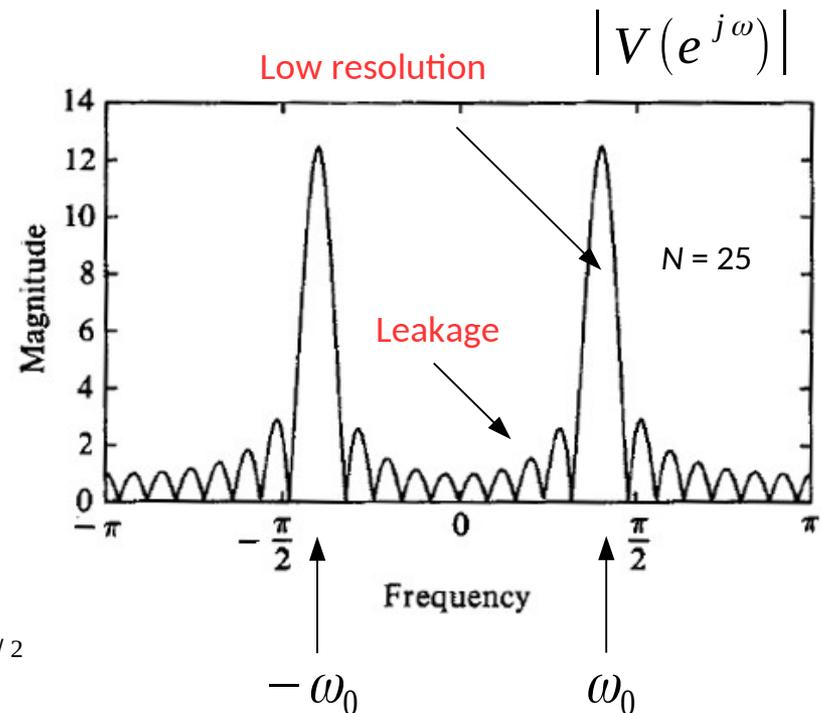
$$v(n) = x(n)w(n)$$

$$V(e^{j\omega}) = \text{DTFT}\left[w(n) \left(\frac{1}{2} e^{-j\omega_0 n} + \frac{1}{2} e^{j\omega_0 n}\right)\right]$$

Since $e^{j\omega_0 n} x(n) \leftrightarrow X(e^{j(\omega-\omega_0)})$

$$V(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{2} W(e^{j(\omega+\omega_0)}) + \frac{1}{2} W(e^{j(\omega-\omega_0)})$$

$$W(e^{j\omega}) = \text{DTFT}[w(n)] = \frac{\sin(\omega N/2)}{\sin(\omega/2)} e^{-j\omega(N-1)/2}$$



Window functions

- **Sinusoid signal**, the effect of windowing (rectangular window, length N)

Frequency resolution: $\Delta\omega_R = \frac{2\pi}{N}$

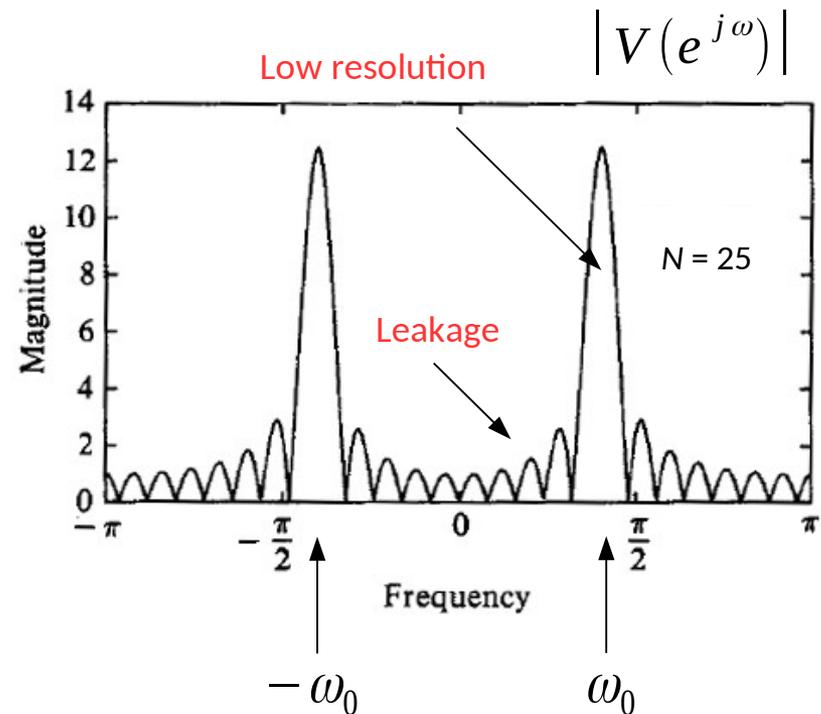
$$\Delta\omega_R = \frac{2\pi}{N} = \frac{2\pi}{25} = 0.2513 \left[\frac{\text{rad}}{\text{smp}} \right]$$

Frequency resolution: $\Delta f_R = \frac{1}{N}$

$$\Delta f_R = \frac{1}{N} = \frac{1}{25} = 0.04 \left[\frac{\text{cyc}}{\text{smp}} \right] \Rightarrow 25 \text{ lobes}$$

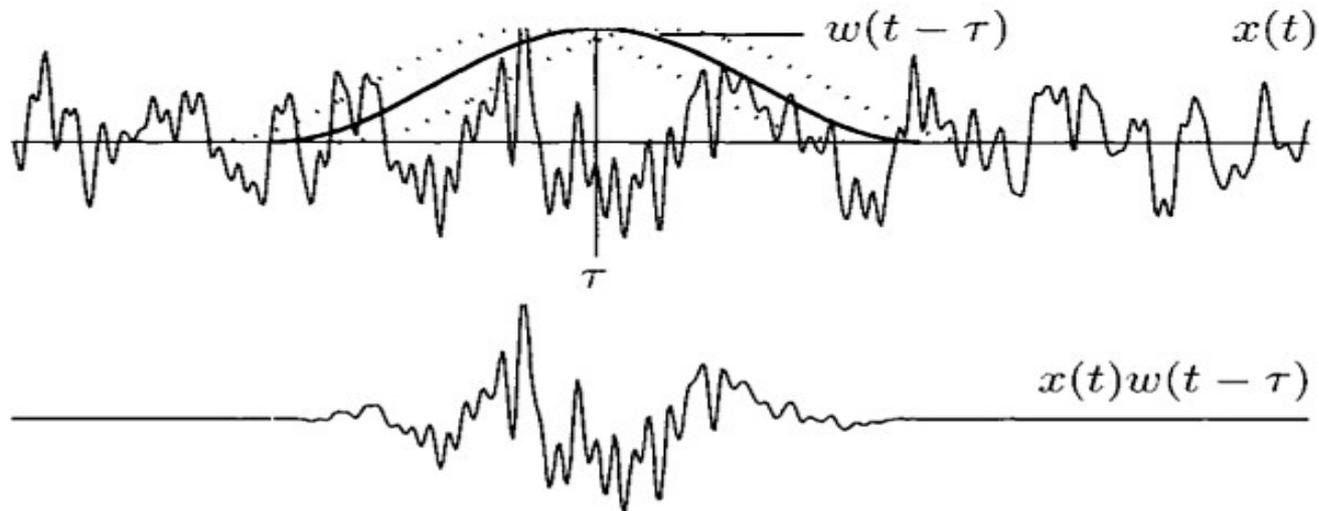
Frequency resolution: $\Delta F_R = \frac{F_S}{N}$

$$\Delta F_R = \frac{F_S}{N} = \frac{F_S}{25} [\text{Hz}]$$



Window functions

- The length of the sliding time window $w(t)$ determines the resolution in time and frequency such that **a short window yields good time resolution but poor frequency resolution, and the opposite when a long window is used**
- **Rectangular window** $w(t)$ causes less reliable measurements on spectral power
- Better estimates of power spectra are obtained by using weighted window functions like **Triangular, Hanning, and Hamming windows**



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Window functions

- Coefficients of window functions

Rectangular window $w[n] = 1, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

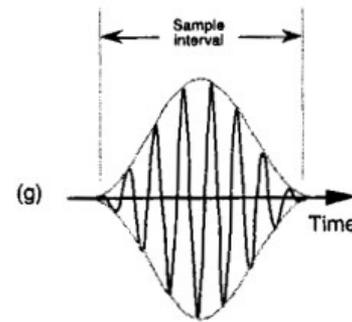
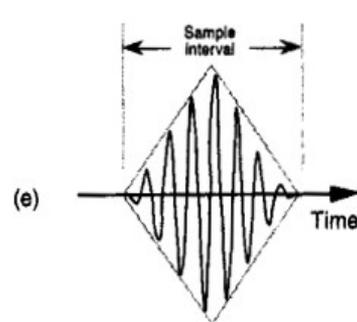
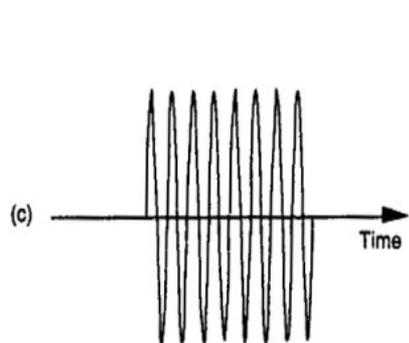
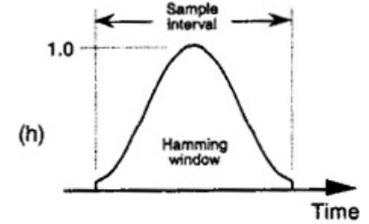
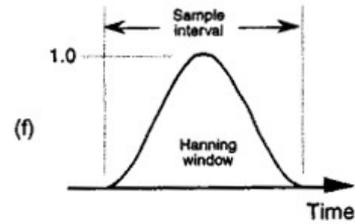
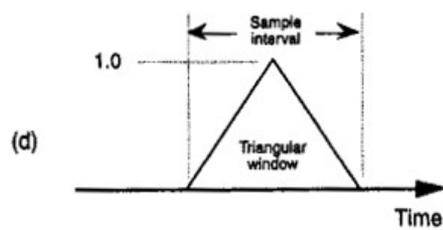
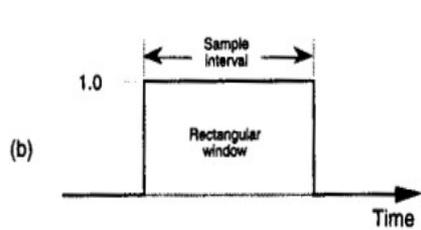
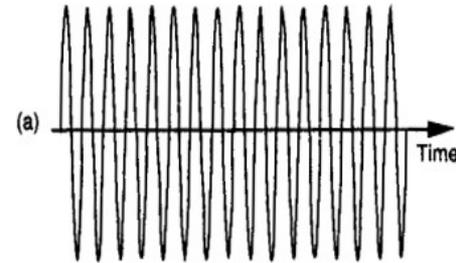
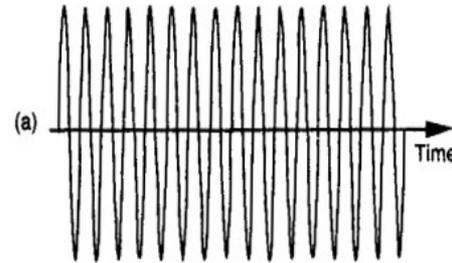
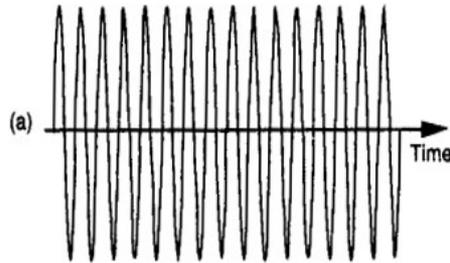
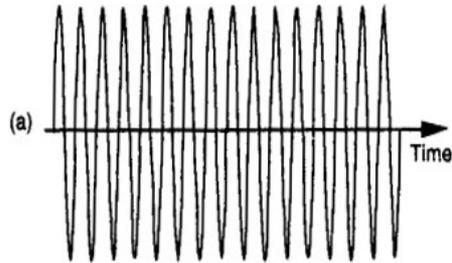
Triangular window $w[n] = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{N/2}, & n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N/2 \\ 2 - \frac{n}{N/2}, & n = N/2+1, N/2+2, \dots, N-1 \end{cases}$

Hanning (Hann) window $w[n] = 0.5 - 0.5 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{N}\right), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

Hamming window $w[n] = 0.54 - 0.46 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{N}\right), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

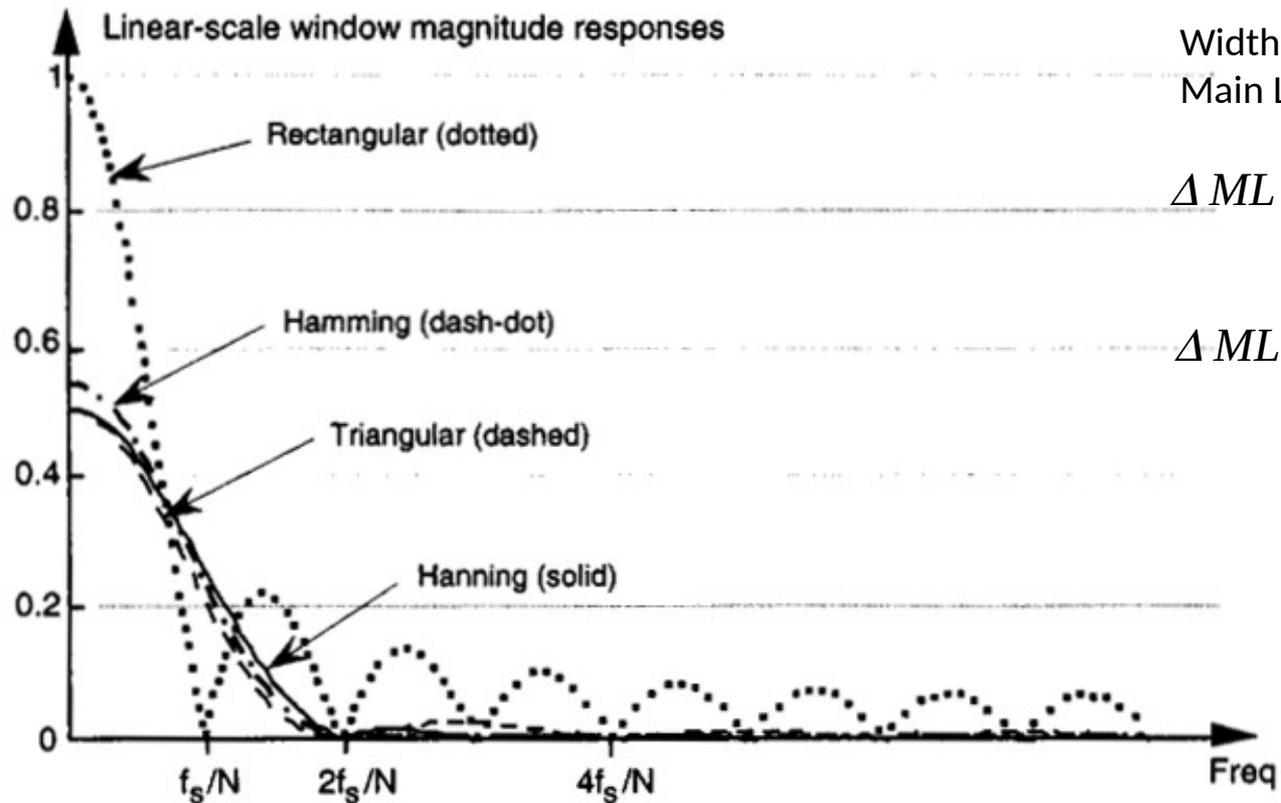
Window functions

- Rectangular window,
Triangular window,
Hanning (Hann) window,
Hamming window



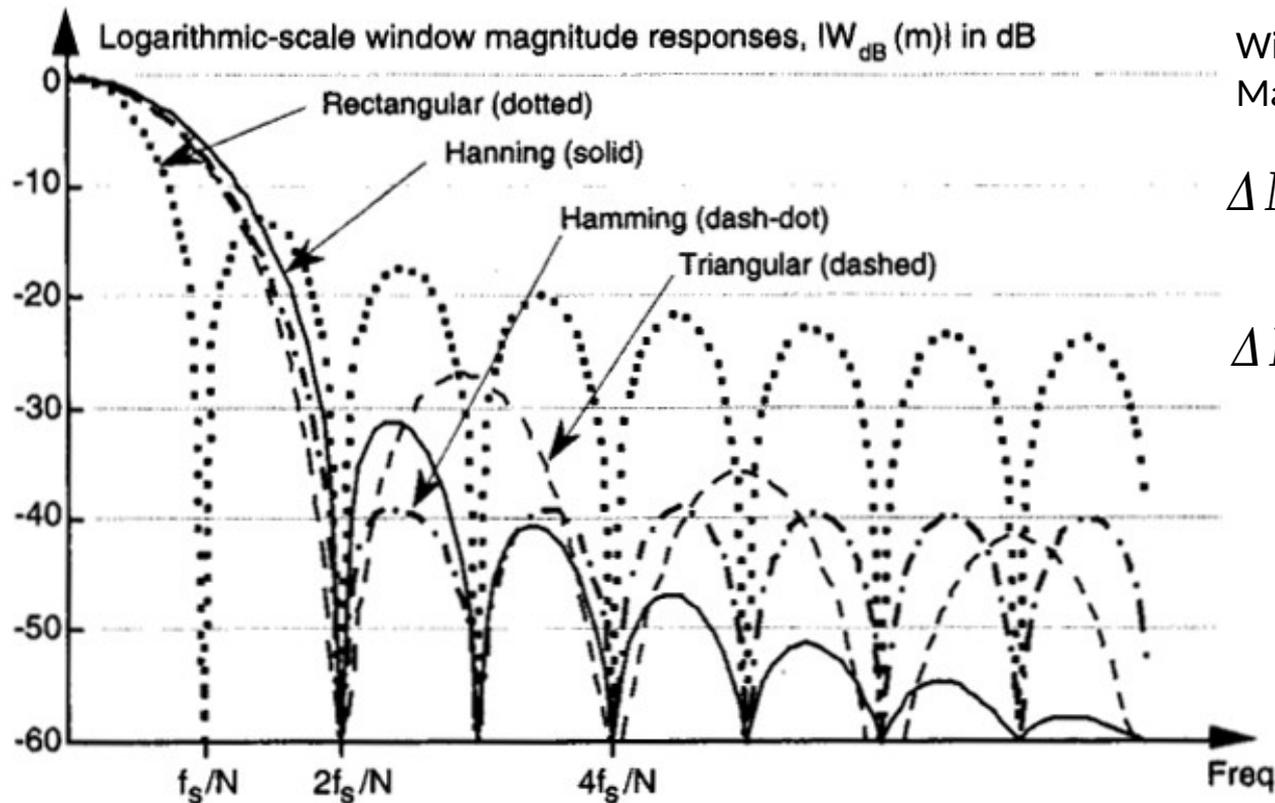
Window functions

- Linear-scale window amplitude spectra, $|W(k)|$



Window functions

- Logarithmic-scale window amplitude spectra, $|W_{dB}[k]|$ in dB



Width of the Main Lobe (ML)

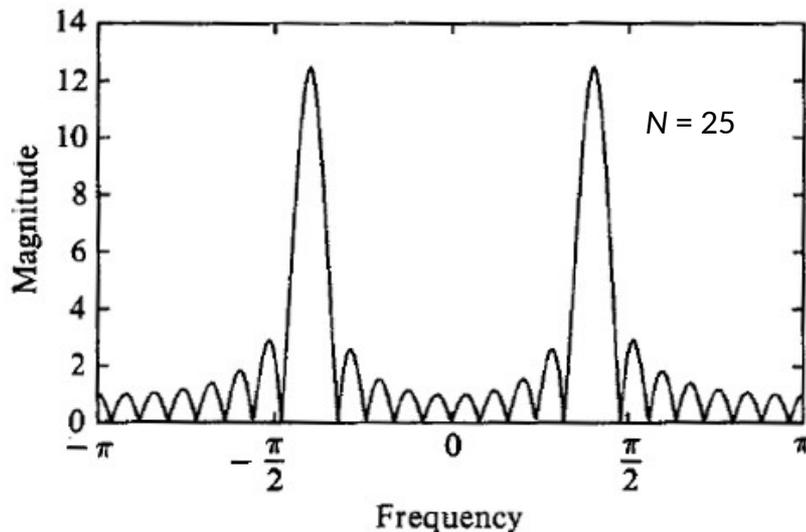
$$\Delta ML_{Rect} = 2 \cdot \frac{F_s}{N}$$

$$\Delta ML_{Other} = 4 \cdot \frac{F_s}{N}$$

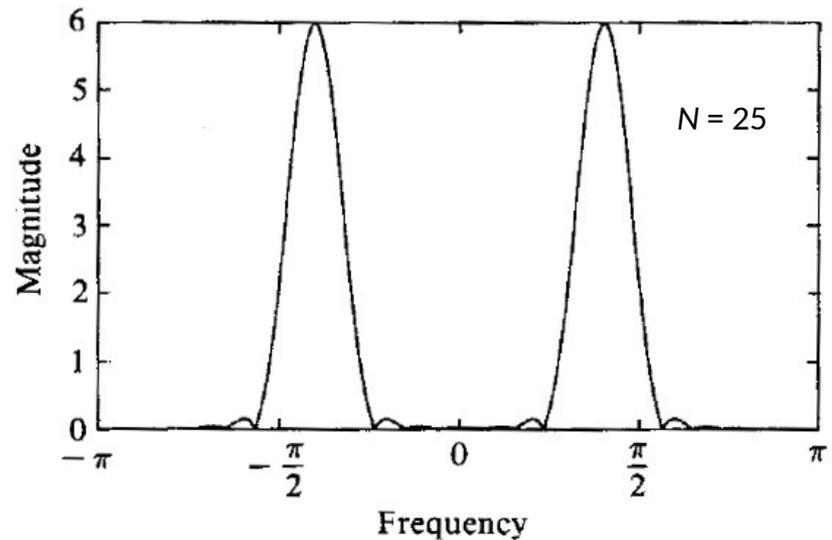
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Window functions

- **Sinusoid signal**, the effect of windowing
 - Left, amplitude spectrum using rectangular window, $N = 25$ samples
 - Right, amplitude spectrum using **Hanning window**, $N = 25$ samples



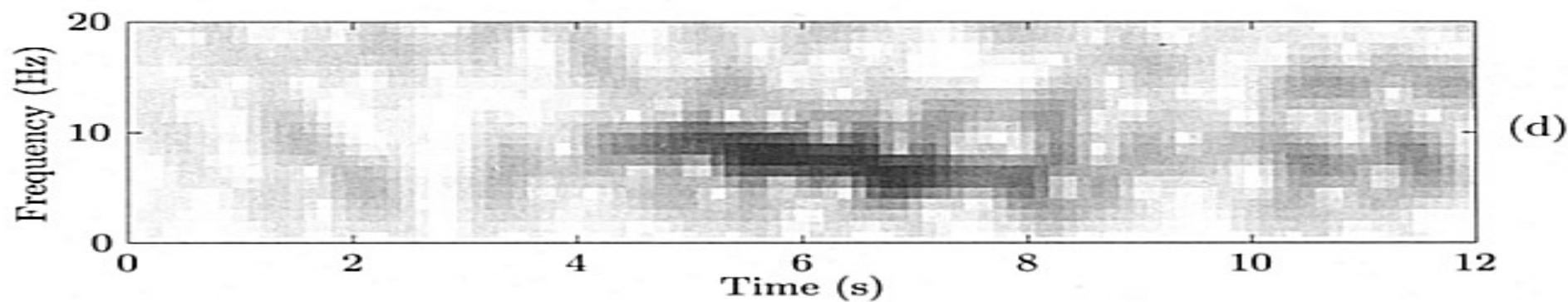
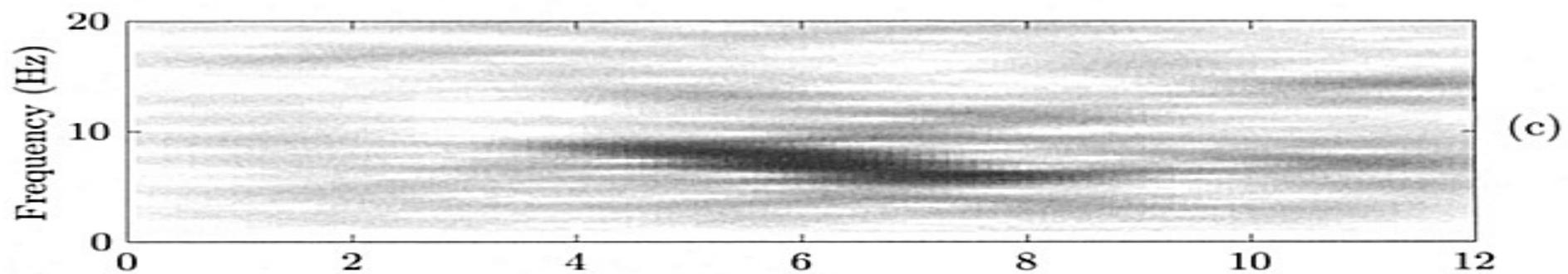
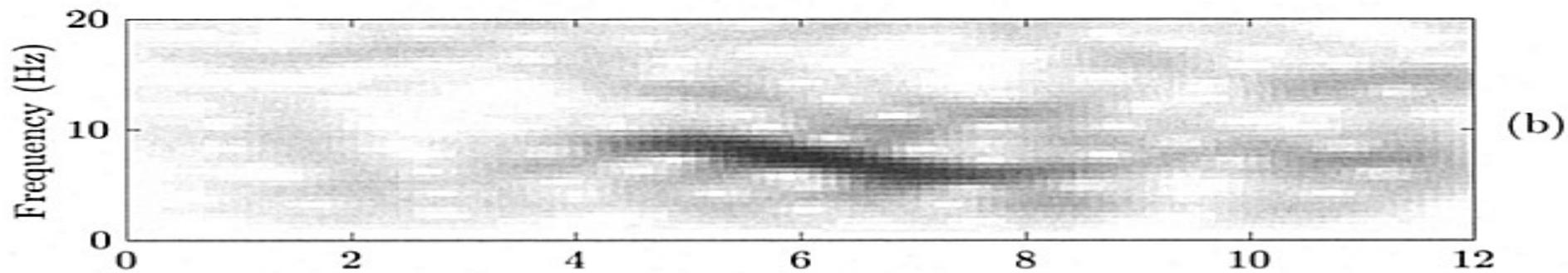
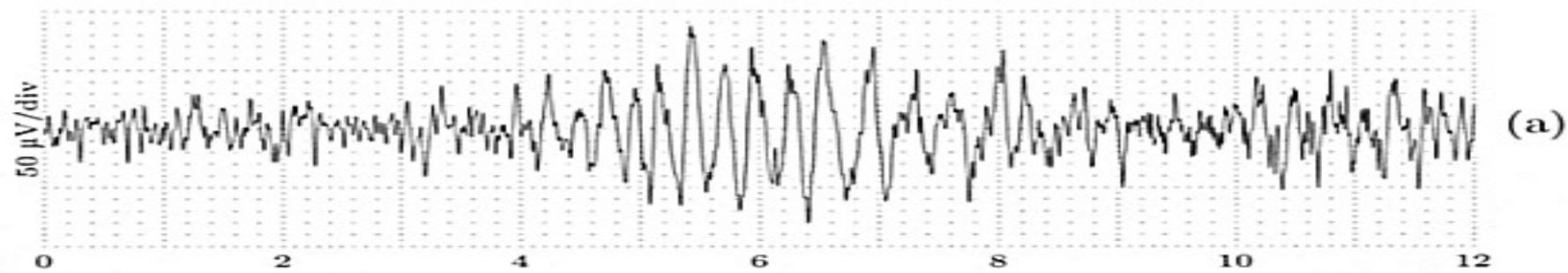
Width of the main lobe in terms of ω is $2 \cdot \frac{2 \cdot \pi}{N}$



Width of the main lobe in terms of ω is $4 \cdot \frac{2 \cdot \pi}{N}$

Example of spectrogram

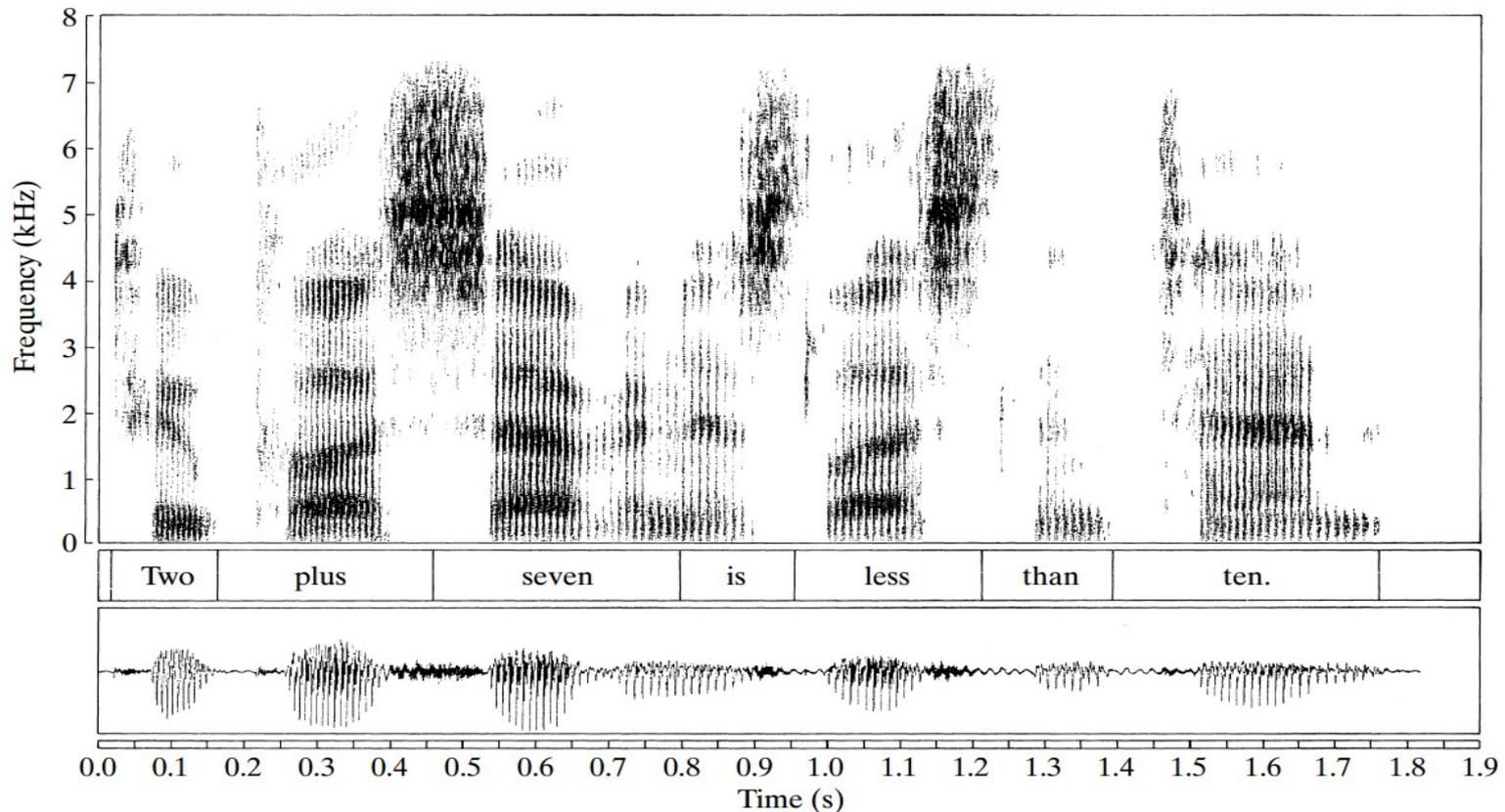
- *Example of spectrogram using Hamming windows (next slide)*
 - (a) The EEG at the onset of an epileptic seizure. The corresponding spectrogram is computed using a Hamming window with a length of
 - (b) 1 s, (c) 2 s, and (d) 0.5 s.
 - (c) The spectrogram is obtained with the longest time window (2 s) and therefore exhibits the poorest time resolution of the three lengths; property is reflected by a ridge which extends longer in time than does the ridge in figure (d)
 - (c) The spectrogram shows the best frequency resolution is due to the longer time window (2 s), while the frequency resolution in figure (d) is worse
- **There is always a trade-off with respect to resolution in time and frequency**





Example of spectrogram

- **Spectrogram of the speech signal** ($F_s = 16.000$ smp/sec; Hamming window, $w(n)$, of duration 6.8 sec, or, $N = 108$; time increment 16 samples, or 1ms)



(Coherence function)

- The **coherence function** (magnitude-squared coherence), $C_{xy}(\omega)$, allows us to find common frequencies and to evaluate the similarity of signals
- Coherence (Latin - *cohaerentia*) means natural or logical connection or consistency
- The coherence function estimates the extent to which $y(t)$ may be predicted from $x(t)$

$$C_{xy}(\omega) := \frac{P_{xy}(\omega)}{\sqrt{P_{xx}(\omega)P_{yy}(\omega)}}$$

$$P_{xx}(\omega) := |\hat{x}(\omega)|^2 = \hat{x}(\omega)\overline{\hat{x}(\omega)}$$

$$P_{xy}(\omega) := \hat{x}(\omega)\overline{\hat{y}(\omega)}$$

$$C_{xy}^2(\omega) = \frac{|P_{xy}(\omega)|}{P_{xx}(\omega)P_{yy}(\omega)}$$

$$\hat{x}(\omega) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

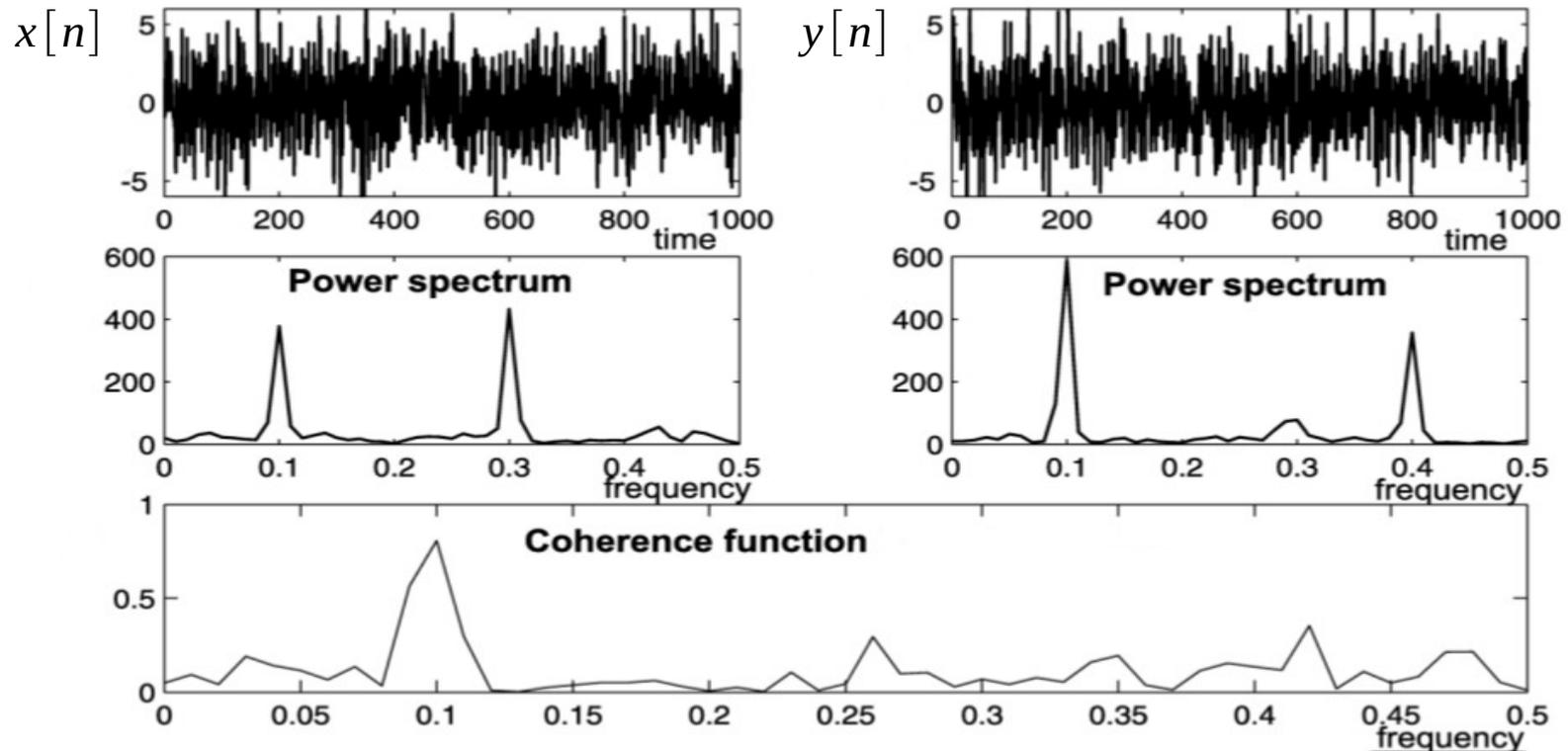
where $P_{xx}(\omega)$ and $P_{yy}(\omega)$ are power spectra of signals $x(t)$ and $y(t)$, $P_{xy}(\omega)$ is cross-power spectrum for these signals, and $\hat{x}(\omega)$ and $\hat{y}(\omega)$ are the Fourier transforms of $x(t)$ and $y(t)$

- The value of coherence will always satisfy $0 \leq C_{xy}(\omega) \leq 1$
- If $y[n] = h[n] * x[n]$, then $C_{xy}(\omega) = 1$

(Example of coherence function)

$$x[n] = k_1[n] + \cos(2\pi \cdot 0.1n) + \cos(2\pi \cdot 0.3n)$$

$$y[n] = k_2[n] + \cos(2\pi(0.1n + \psi)) + \cos(2\pi(0.4n + \phi))$$



(Golinska AK, Coherence function in biomedical signal processing)