



Digital Signal Processing 2

Les 6: Spectrale analyse

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- **Random signals**

periodogram, periodogram averaging, periodogram smoothing

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B. Porat, *A Course in Digital Signal Processing*

- Ch. 6, “Practical Spectral Analysis”

- Section 6.1, “The Effect of Rectangular Windowing”
- Section 6.2, “Windowing”
- Section 6.3, “Common Windows”
- Section 6.4, “Frequency Measurement”

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B. Porat, *A Course in Digital Signal Processing*

- Ch. 2, “Review of Frequency-Domain Analysis”

- Section 2.9, “Discrete-Time Random Signals”

- Ch. 13, “Analysis and Modeling of Random Signals”

- Section 13.1, “Spectral Analysis of Random Signals”
- Section 13.2, “SA by Smoothed Periodogram”

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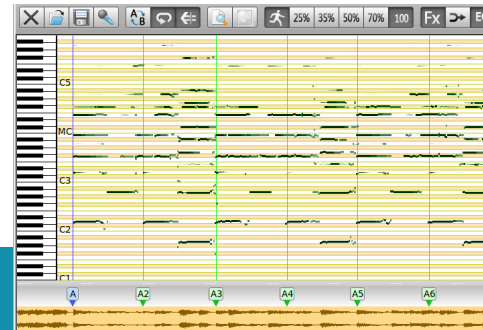
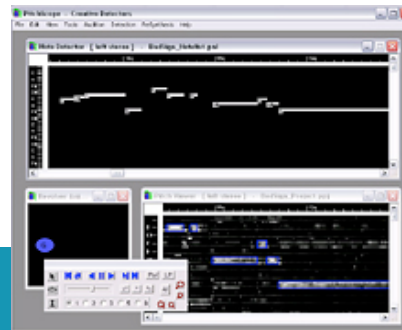
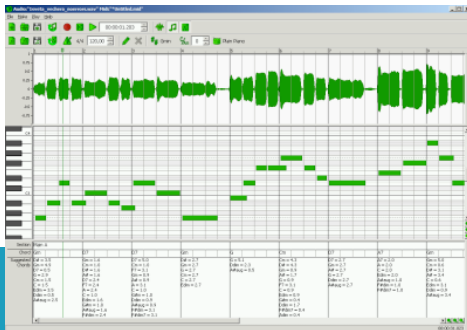
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Introduction: motivating example (1)

- Example from musical signal processing
 - spectral analysis of Brahms' 4th symphony
 - motivation: automatic music transcription
 - some numbers:
 - 40 min of music
 - 44.1 kHz sampling rate
 - $O(10^8)$ samples
 - note:
 - [Porat, 1996] “such a task is still beyond our ability”
 - status in 2014: commercial software available, research ongoing



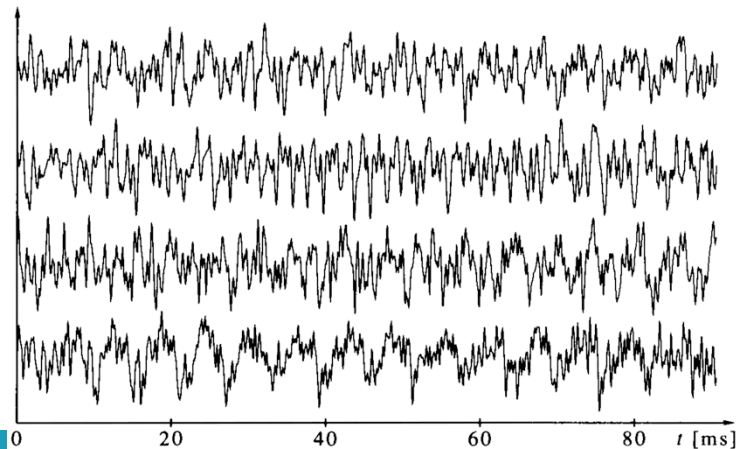
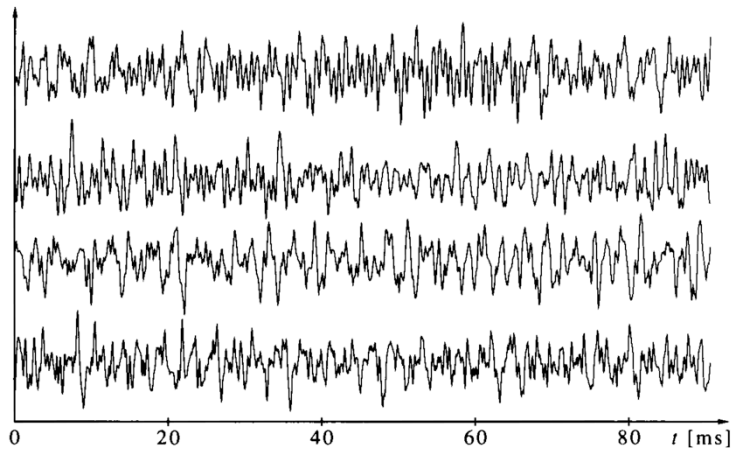
Introduction: motivating example (2)

- Naïve approach: calculate N -point DFT with $N = O(10^8)$
 - extremely high frequency resolution ~ 0.4 mHz
 - inefficient in terms of memory and processing resources
 - useless since result will be long-term spectrum average
- Meaningful approach: calculate **sequence of short DFTs**
 - naturally leads to time-frequency signal representation
 - = essence of (short-time) spectral analysis**
 - example:
 - DFT length = 4096 (~ 92.9 ms signal segments)
 - frequency resolution = 11 Hz
 - 50 % overlap between successive signal segments
 - symphony = 52000 signal segments \Rightarrow 52000 length-4096 DFTs

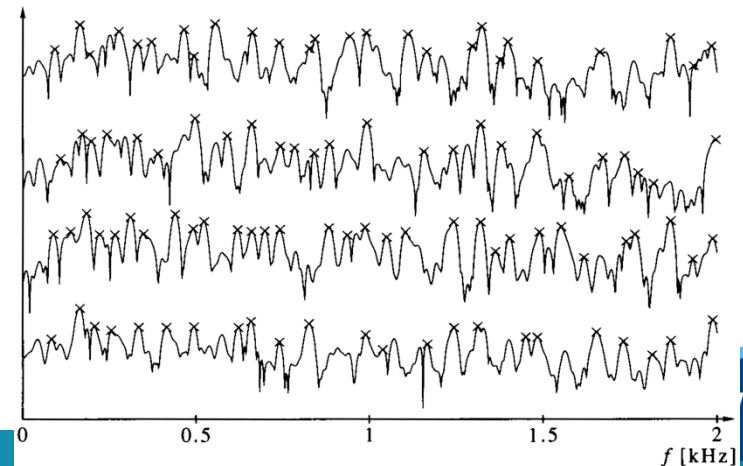
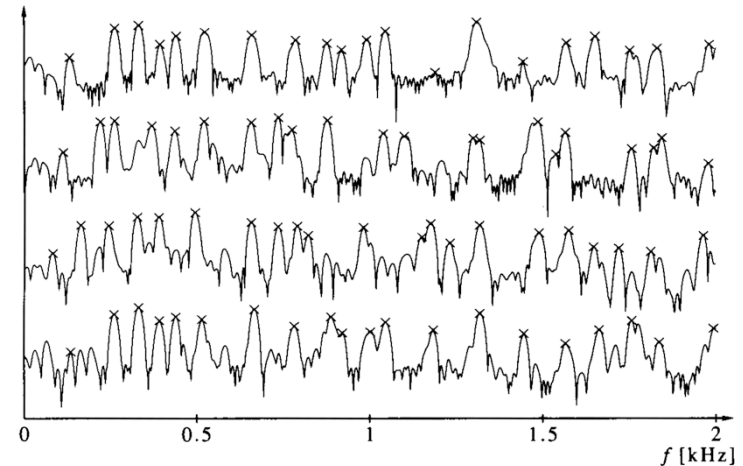
Introduction: motivating example (3)

- Example of eight 92.9 ms segments from Brahms' symphony

time-domain waveforms



magnitude spectra



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Rectangular windowing (1)

- **Signal segmentation = rectangular windowing**

- consider picking short segment $x[n]$ from long signal $y[n]$

$$x[n] = \begin{cases} y[n], & 0 \leq n \leq N - 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- this operation can also be written as a multiplication of $y[n]$ with a **rectangular window**

$$x[n] = y[n]w_r[n]$$

where the window is defined as

$$w_r[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq N - 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Rectangular windowing (2)

- **Key question:** how is Fourier transform of rectangular-windowed signal related to that of original signal?
- **Example:**
 - exponential signal and its Fourier transform:

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} a^n, & n \geq 0 \\ 0, & n < 0 \end{cases} \quad Y^f(\theta) = \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\theta}}$$

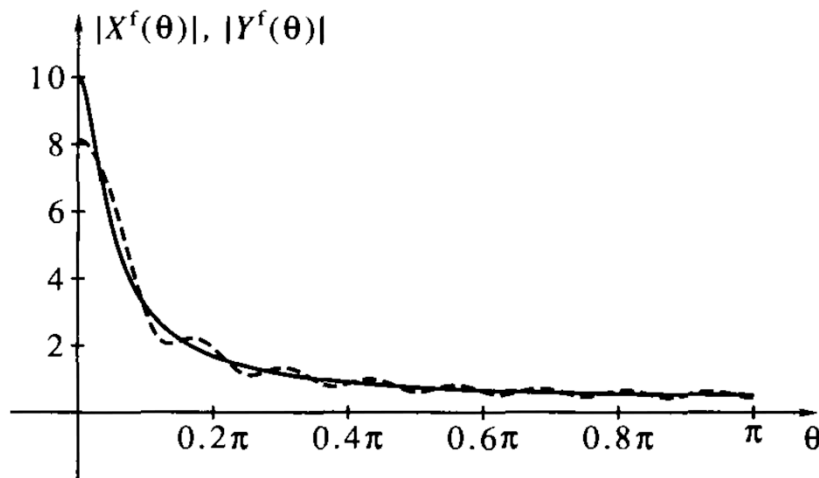
- Fourier transform of rectangular-windowed signal

$$X^f(\theta) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a^n e^{-j\theta n} = \frac{1 - a^N e^{-j\theta N}}{1 - ae^{-j\theta}}$$

(note: apply sum formula for geometric series)

Rectangular windowing (3)

- **Example:** $a = 0.9$, $N = 16$



$$X^f(\theta) = \frac{1 - a^N e^{-j\theta N}}{1 - a e^{-j\theta}}$$
$$Y^f(\theta) = \frac{1}{1 - a e^{-j\theta}}$$

- magnitude spectrum of $x[n]$ approximates that of $y[n]$
- magnitude spectrum of $y[n]$ exhibits smoother behavior

Rectangular windowing (4)

- **General result:**

- time-domain multiplication = frequency-domain convolution

$$x[n] = y[n]w_r[n] \Rightarrow X^f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \{Y^f * W_r^f\}(\theta)$$

- Fourier transform of rectangular window:

$$\begin{aligned} W_r^f(\theta) &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{-j\theta n} = \frac{1 - e^{-j\theta N}}{1 - e^{-j\theta}} \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{\sin(0.5\theta N)}{\sin(0.5\theta)}}_{\text{magnitude}} \underbrace{e^{-j0.5\theta(N-1)}}_{\text{phase}} \end{aligned}$$

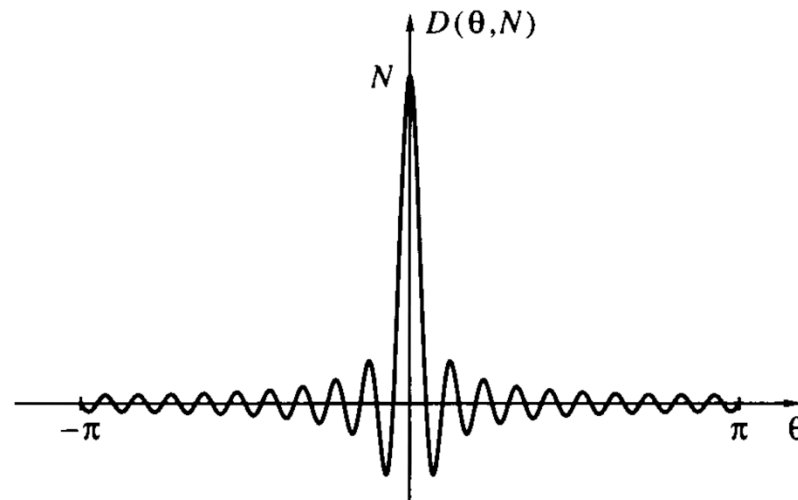
Rectangular windowing (5)

- **General result:**

- magnitude spectrum of rectangular window = Dirichlet kernel

$$D(\theta, N) = \frac{\sin(0.5\theta N)}{\sin(0.5\theta)}$$

- example: $N = 40$

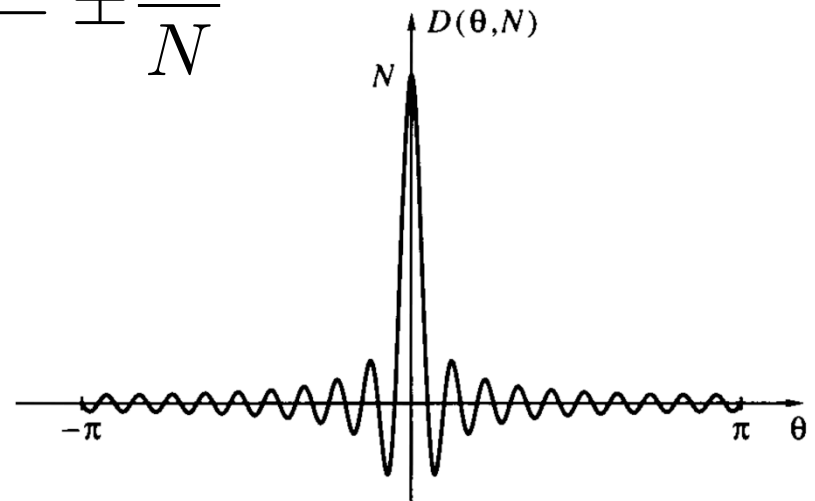


Rectangular windowing (6)

- **Dirichlet kernel:**

- maximum value = N , occurring at $\theta = 0$
- main lobe between zero crossings at $\theta = \pm \frac{2\pi}{N}$
- side lobes between zero crossings at $\theta = \pm \frac{2m\pi}{N}$, $m > 1$
- highest side lobe occurs at $\theta = \pm \frac{3\pi}{N}$
with amplitude $\approx \frac{2N}{3\pi}$

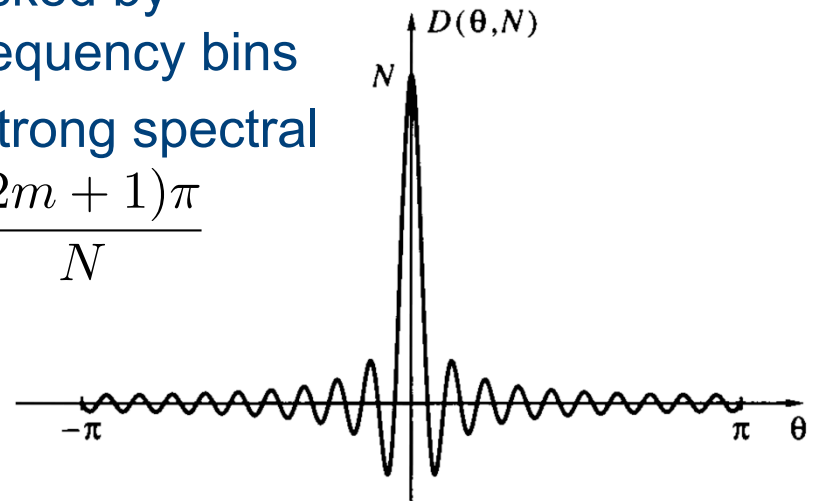
$$D(\theta, N) = \frac{\sin(0.5\theta N)}{\sin(0.5\theta)}$$



Rectangular windowing (7)

- **Distortions due to rectangular windowing:**
 - **smearing:** spectral lines become spectral lobes
 - bandwidth of main lobe is non-zero
 - loss of frequency resolution
 - neighboring spectral lines ($\Delta\theta \leq \frac{4\pi}{N}$) will become unseparable
 - **side-lobe interference:** leakage of energy into other bins
 - weak spectral lines can be masked by strong spectral lines in other frequency bins
 - worst-case effect when weak/strong spectral lines are separated by $\Delta\theta = \frac{(2m+1)\pi}{N}$

$$D(\theta, N) = \frac{\sin(0.5\theta N)}{\sin(0.5\theta)}$$



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Windowing (1)

- **Rationale of window design:**

- time-domain multiplication = frequency-domain convolution

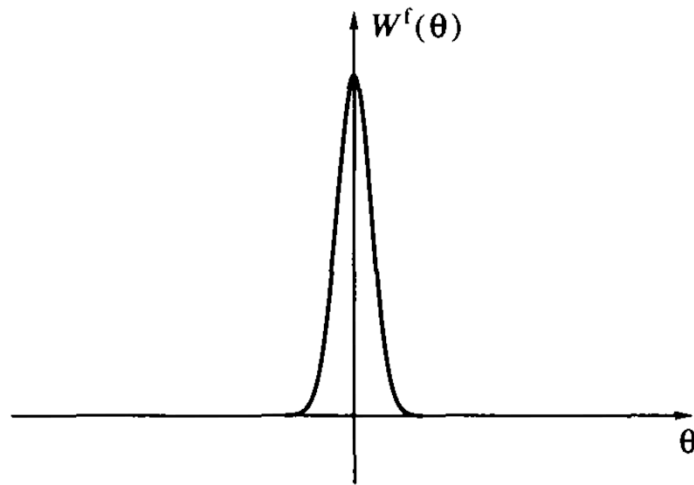
$$x[n] = y[n]w[n] \Rightarrow X^f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \{Y^f * W^f\}(\theta)$$

- constraints on window sequence $w[n]$
 - finite duration
 - length N must agree with desired segmentation length
 - non-negative
- desirable properties of window sequence $w[n]$
 - main lobe as narrow as possible
 - side lobes as low as possible

Windowing (2)

- **Rationale of window design:**

- Fourier transform of window sequence = kernel function
- desired kernel shape = frequency-domain delta function
(why don't we choose $W^f(\theta) = 2\pi\delta(\theta)$?)

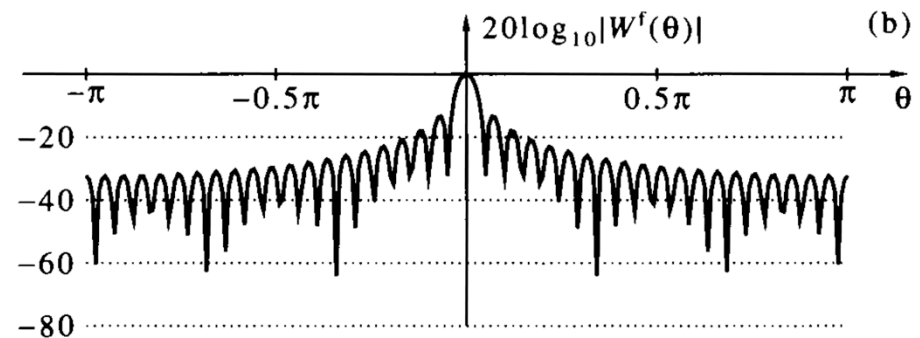
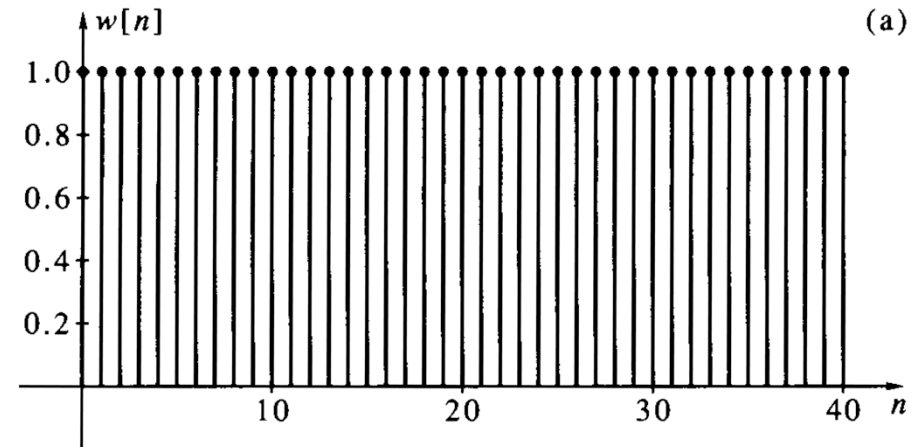


- window design = **trade-off** between main lobe width and side lobe levels

Windowing (3)

1. Rectangular window (revisited):

- main lobe width = $4\pi/N$
= narrowest of all
length- N windows!
- side lobe level = -13.5 dB
- example: $N = 41$



Windowing (4)

2. Bartlett window (= triangular window):

- rationale: squaring kernel function halves side lobe level
- implementation:
 - convolve rectangular time-domain window sequence with itself
 - in case N is odd, start from length- $(N+1)/2$ rectangular window:

$$w_t[n] = \frac{2}{N+1} \{w_r * w_r\} [n] = 1 - \frac{|2n - N + 1|}{N + 1}, \quad 0 \leq n \leq N - 1$$

- corresponding kernel function:

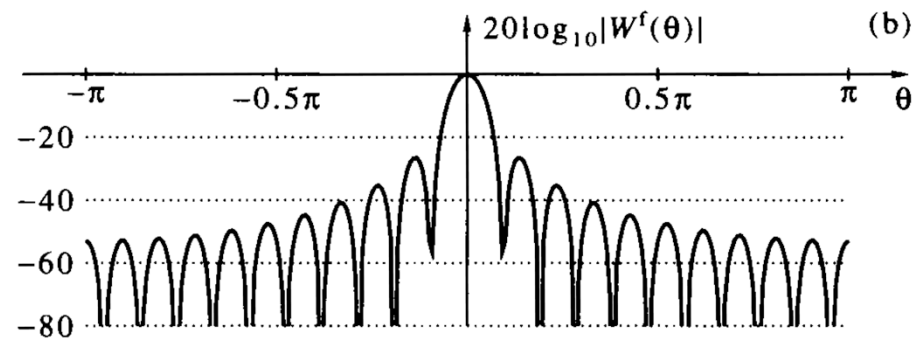
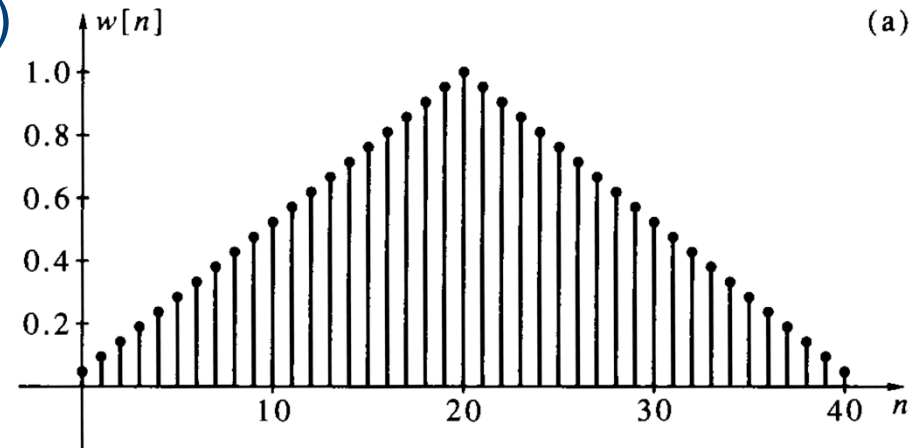
$$W_t^f(\theta) = \frac{2}{N+1} D^2(\theta, 0.5(N+1)) e^{-j0.5\theta(N-1)} = \frac{2 \sin^2 \{0.25\theta(N+1)\}}{(N+1) \sin^2(0.5\theta)} e^{-j0.5\theta(N-1)}$$

- (note: similar expressions exist for case of even N)

Windowing (5)

2. Bartlett window (= triangular window):

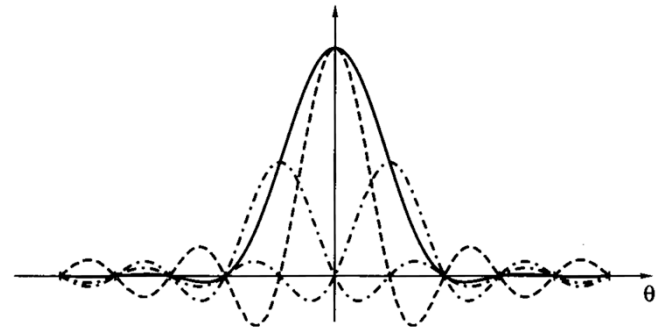
- main lobe width = $8\pi/(N+1)$
- side lobe level = -27 dB
- example: $N = 41$



Windowing (6)

3. Hann window (= cosine window):

- rationale: superposition of 3 frequency-shifted Dirichlet kernels to reduce side lobe level
- implementation:
 - exploit modulation theorem of Fourier transform:



$$W_{\text{hn}}^f(\theta) = 0.5W_r^f(\theta) - 0.25W_r^f\left(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{N-1}\right) - 0.25W_r^f\left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{N-1}\right)$$



$$\begin{aligned}w_{\text{hn}}[n] &= 0.5 - 0.25 \exp\left(\frac{j2\pi n}{N-1}\right) - 0.25 \exp\left(-\frac{j2\pi n}{N-1}\right) \\ &= 0.5 \left[1 - \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{N-1}\right)\right], \quad 0 \leq n \leq N-1\end{aligned}$$

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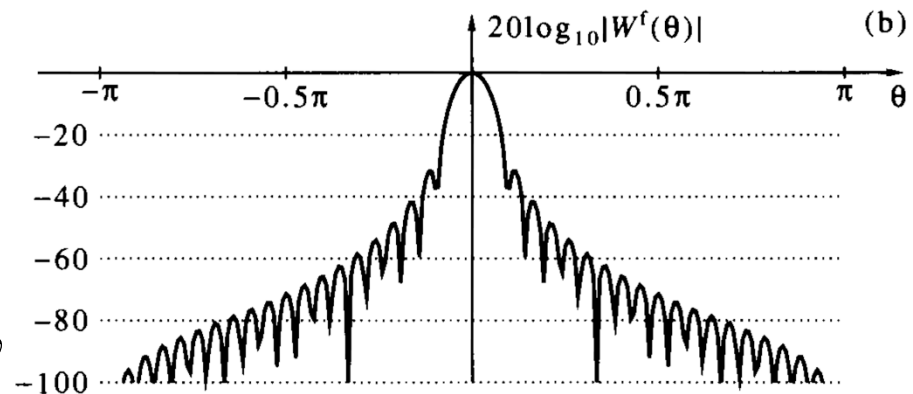
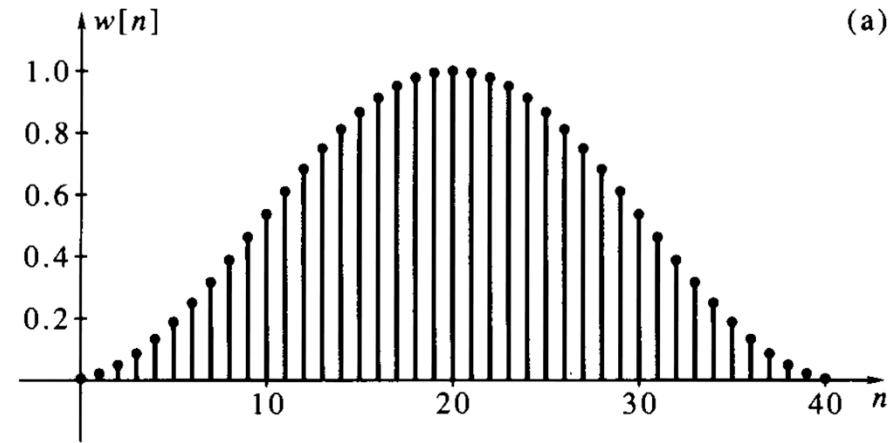
3. Hann window (= cosine window):

- main lobe width = $8\pi/N$
- side lobe level = -32 dB
- example: $N = 41$
- note: two end points = 0

- **Modified Hann window:**

- start from length- $(N+2)$ rectangular window
- delete zero end points

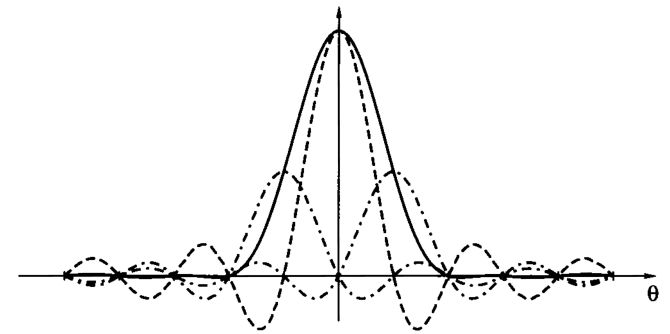
$$w_{\text{hn}}[n] = 0.5 \left\{ 1 - \cos \left[\frac{2\pi(n+1)}{N+1} \right] \right\},$$
$$0 \leq n \leq N - 1$$



Windowing (8)

4. Hamming window (= raised cosine window):

- rationale: superposition of 3 frequency-shifted Dirichlet kernels to reduce side lobe level
- implementation:
 - similar to Hann window
 - weights chosen to minimize side lobe level



$$W_{\text{hm}}^f(\theta) = 0.54W_r^f(\theta) - 0.23W_r^f\left(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{N-1}\right) - 0.23W_r^f\left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{N-1}\right)$$

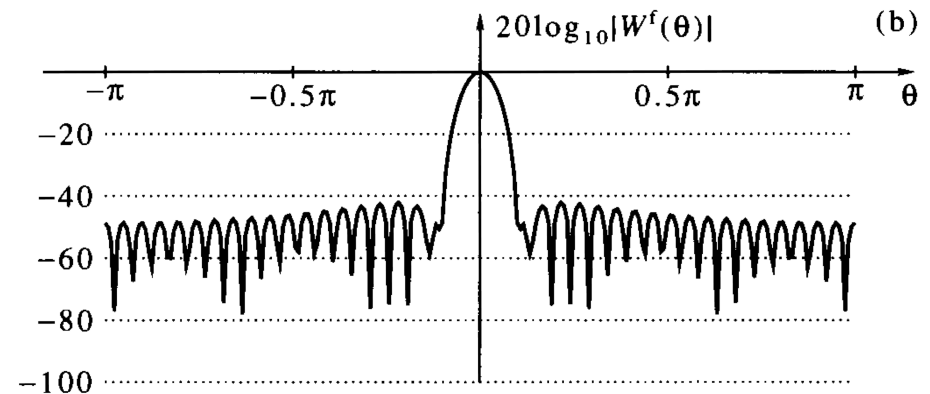
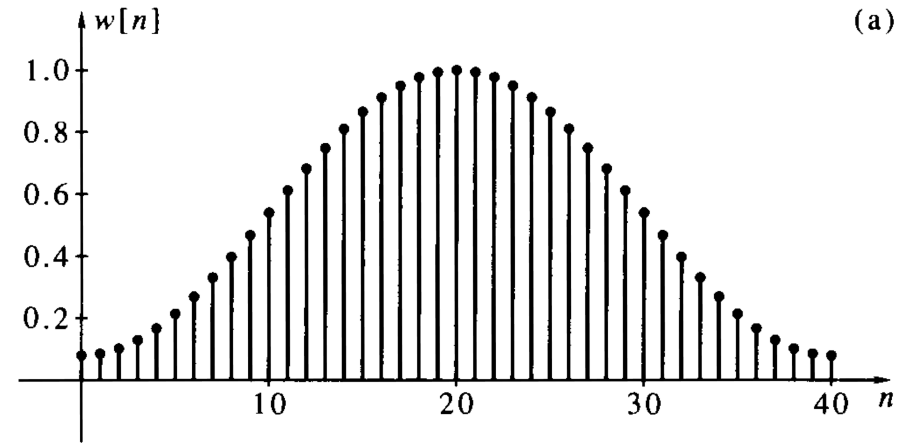


$$w_{\text{hm}}[n] = 0.54 - 0.46 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{N-1}\right), \quad 0 \leq n \leq N-1$$

Windowing (9)

4. Hamming window (= raised cosine window):


- main lobe width = $8\pi/N$
- side lobe level = -43 dB
- example: $N = 41$
- note: two end points $\neq 0$



Windowing (10)

5. Blackman window:

- rationale: superposition of 5 frequency-shifted Dirichlet kernels to reduce side lobe level
- implementation:
 - similar to Hamming window
 - 5 instead of 3 Dirichlet kernels

$$W_b^f(\theta) = 0.42W_r^f(\theta) - 0.25W_r^f\left(\theta + \frac{2\pi}{N-1}\right) - 0.25W_r^f\left(\theta - \frac{2\pi}{N-1}\right) \\ + 0.04W_r^f\left(\theta + \frac{4\pi}{N-1}\right) + 0.04W_r^f\left(\theta - \frac{4\pi}{N-1}\right)$$


$$w_b[n] = 0.42 - 0.5 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{N-1}\right) + 0.08 \cos\left(\frac{4\pi n}{N-1}\right), \quad 0 \leq n \leq N-1$$

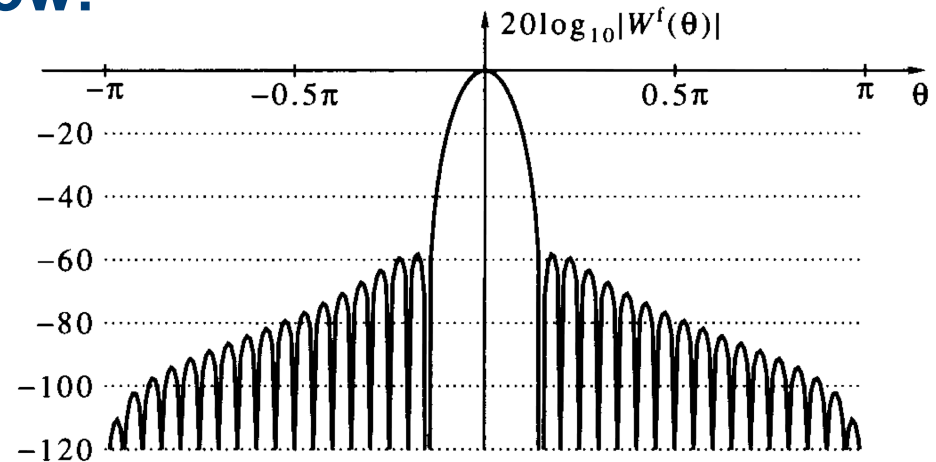
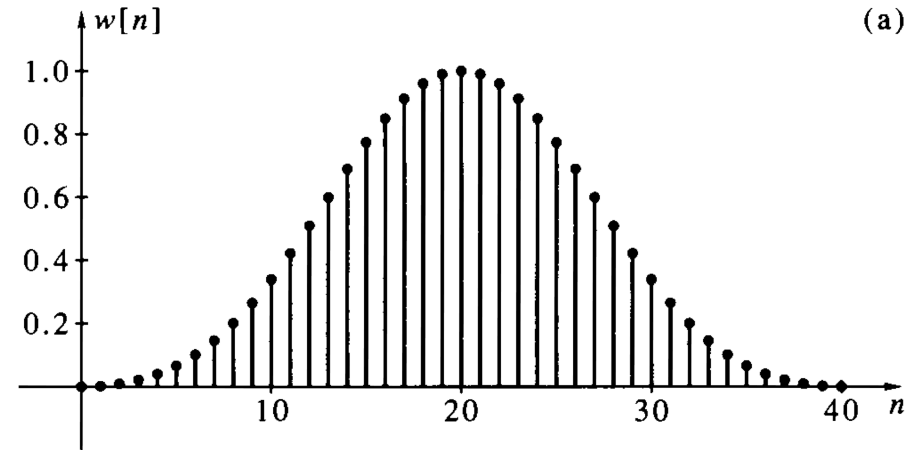
Windowing (11)

5. Blackman window:

- main lobe width = $12\pi/N$
- side lobe level = -57 dB
- example: $N = 41$
- note: two end points = 0

• Modified Blackman window:

- start from length- $(N+2)$ rectangular window
- delete zero end points



Windowing (12)

6. Kaiser window:

- rationale: calculate family of windows as solution to constrained optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{w_k[n]} \quad & \text{main lobe width} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{\text{side lobe energy}}{\text{total energy}} \leq \beta \end{aligned}$$

- solution (with I_0 = modified Bessel function of order zero):

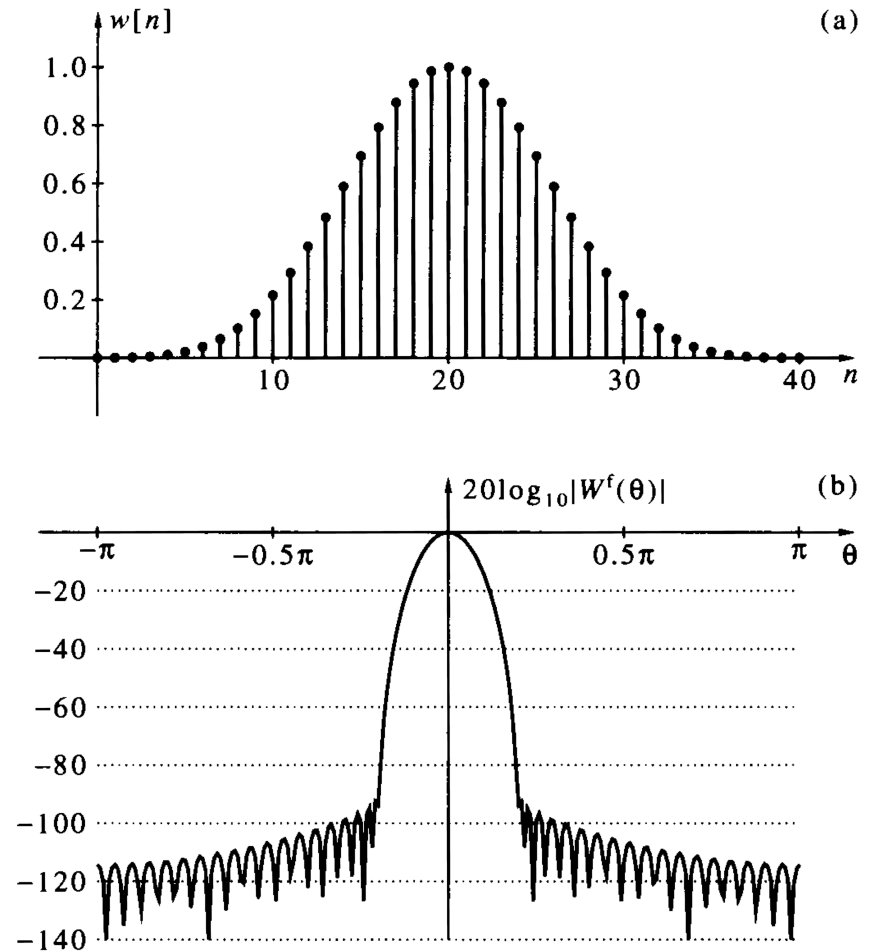
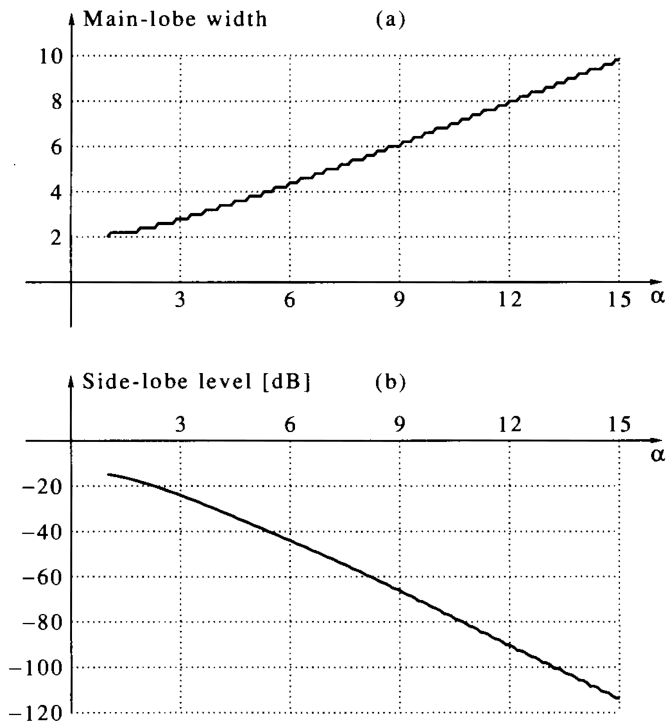
$$w_k[n] = \frac{I_0 \left[\alpha \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{|2n - N + 1|}{N - 1} \right)^2} \right]}{I_0[\alpha]}, \quad 0 \leq n \leq N - 1$$

- parameter α determines trade-off between main lobe width and side lobe energy

Windowing (13)

6. Kaiser window ($\alpha = 12$):

- main lobe width = $16\pi/N$
- side lobe level = -90 dB (!)
- example: $N = 41$



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Frequency measurement (1)

- **Frequency measurement of single complex sinusoid:**
 - in theory, frequency of single complex sinusoid

$$y[n] = Ae^{j(\theta_0 n + \phi_0)}, \quad 0 \leq n \leq N - 1$$

can be uniquely determined from its Fourier transform

$$Y^f(\theta) = Ae^{-j[0.5(\theta - \theta_0)(N - 1) + \phi_0]} D(\theta - \theta_0, N)$$

by finding maximum of magnitude spectrum

$$\theta_0 = \arg \min_{\theta} |Y^f(\theta)|$$

Frequency measurement (2)

- **Frequency measurement of single complex sinusoid:**

- in practice, however, DFT is calculated on frequency grid generally not including θ_0
- simple frequency measurement:
 - find frequency bin with maximum magnitude

$$k_0 = \arg \min_k |Y^d[k]| \Rightarrow \theta[k_0] = \frac{2\pi k_0}{N}$$

- improved frequency measurement:
 - zero pad sequence $y[n]$ and increase DFT length

Frequency measurement (3)

- **Frequency measurement of two complex sinusoids:**
 - sum of two complex sinusoids and its frequency spectrum

$$y[n] = A_1 e^{j(\theta_1 n + \phi_1)} + A_2 e^{j(\theta_2 n + \phi_2)}, \quad 0 \leq n \leq N - 1$$

$$Y^f(\theta) = A_1 e^{-j[0.5(\theta - \theta_1)(N-1) - \phi_1]} D(\theta - \theta_1, N) \\ + A_2 e^{-j[0.5(\theta - \theta_2)(N-1) - \phi_2]} D(\theta - \theta_2, N)$$

- evaluation of Fourier transform at one sinusoid frequency θ_1

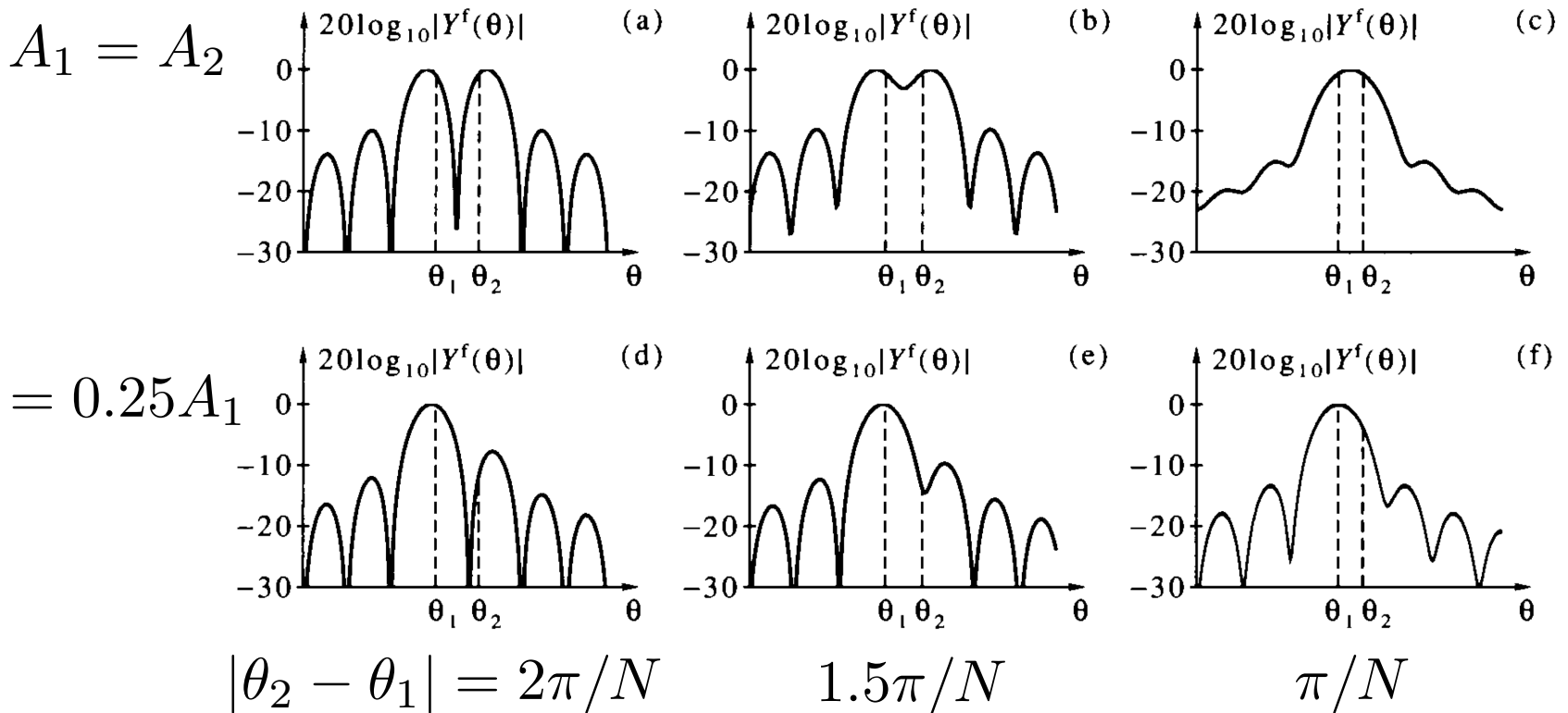
$$Y^f(\theta_1) = N A_1 e^{j\phi_1} + A_2 e^{-j[0.5(\theta_1 - \theta_2)(N-1) - \phi_2]} D(\theta_1 - \theta_2, N)$$

- frequency measurement only feasible when

$$|A_2 D(\theta_1 - \theta_2, N)| \ll N A_1 \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} |\theta_2 - \theta_1| & \geq 2\pi/N \\ O(A_2) & = O(A_1) \end{cases}$$

Frequency measurement (4)

- **Frequency measurement of two complex sinusoids:**
 - example:



Frequency measurement (5)

- **Frequency measurement of two complex sinusoids:**

- windowed sum of two complex sinusoids $x[n] = y[n]w[n]$ has Fourier transform

$$X^f(\theta) = A_1 e^{j\phi_1} W^f(\theta - \theta_1, N) + A_2 e^{j\phi_2} W^f(\theta - \theta_2, N)$$

- evaluation of Fourier transform at one sinusoid frequency θ_1

$$X^f(\theta_1) = A_1 e^{j\phi_1} W^f(0, N) + A_2 e^{j\phi_2} W^f(\theta_1 - \theta_2, N)$$

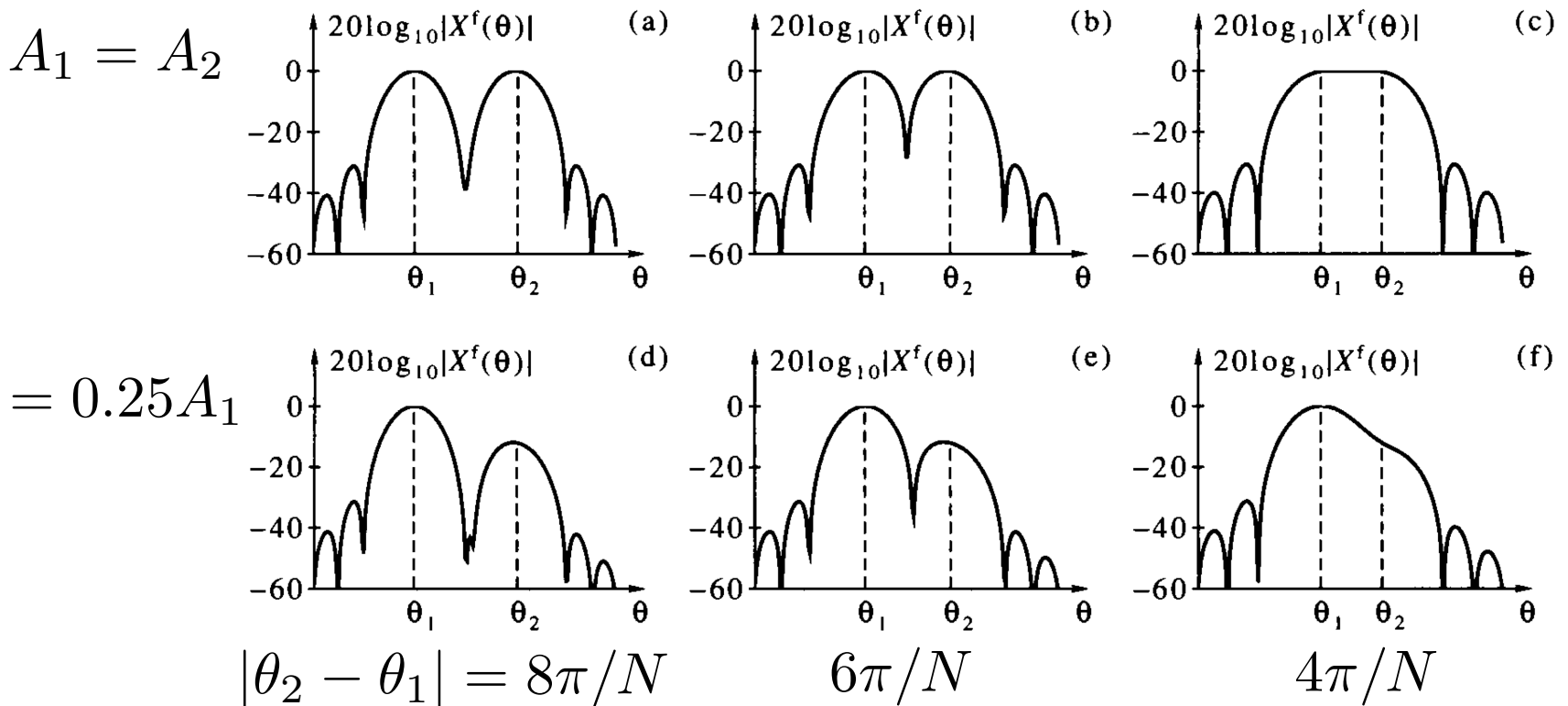
- frequency measurement feasible with window for which

$$|A_2 W^f(\theta_1 - \theta_2, N)| \ll A_1 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w[n]$$

- $|\theta_2 - \theta_1|$ greater than kernel main lobe width
- $20 \log_{10}(A_1/A_2)$ larger than side-lobe level

Frequency measurement (6)

- **Frequency measurement of two complex sinusoids:**
 - example: Hann window



Frequency measurement (7)

- **Frequency measurement of M real sinusoids:**
 - real sinusoids can be decomposed as sum of complex sinusoids, hence previous results still hold
 - frequency measurement is feasible **without windowing** if
 - sinusoid frequencies are separated by at least $2\pi/N$
 - $\pi/N < \text{sinusoid frequencies} < \pi(1 - 1/N)$
 - $O(A_1) = \dots = O(A_M)$
 - frequency measurement is feasible **with windowing** if
 - sinusoid frequencies are separated by at least $\frac{1}{2}$ main lobe width
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ main lobe width $< \text{sinusoid frequencies} < \pi - \frac{1}{2}$ main lobe width
 - sinusoid amplitude differences $>$ side lobe level

Frequency measurement (8)

- **Practice of frequency measurement**
 1. multiply sampled sequence by window
 2. compute DFT (using FFT algorithm)
 3. search for local maxima in magnitude spectrum

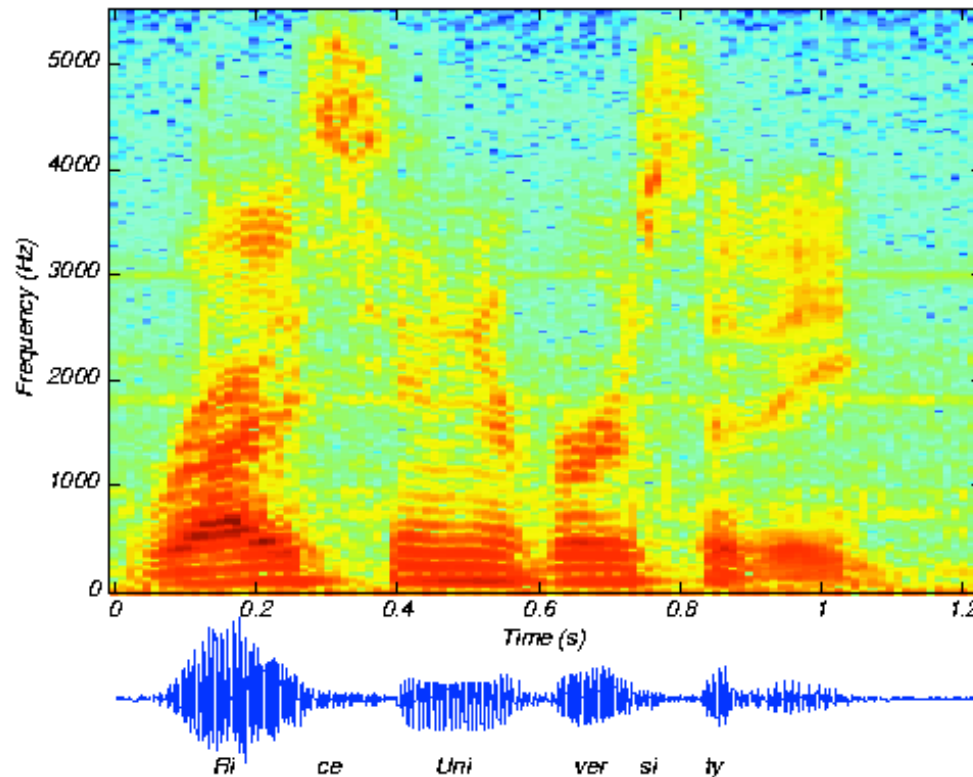
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Spectrogram

- Spectrogram = 2-D color plot of DFT log-magnitude for number of overlapping windowed signal segments
 - example: speech signal [Rice University]



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MATLAB exercise (1)

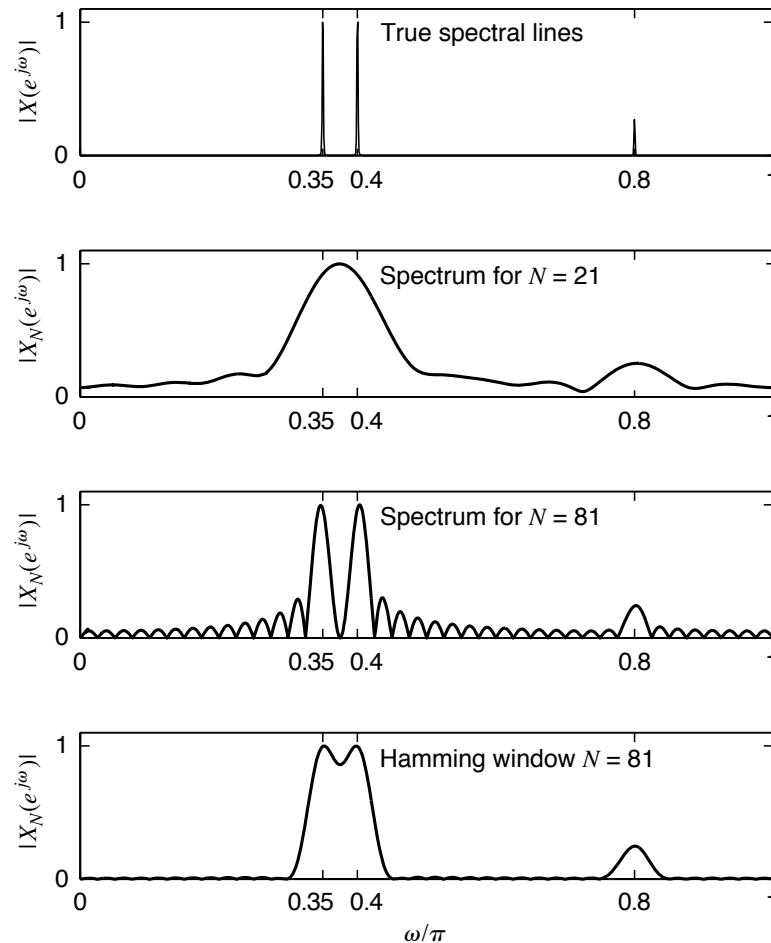
Consider signal $y[n] = \cos 0.35\pi n + \cos 0.4\pi n + 0.25 \cos 0.8\pi n$

1. Draw magnitude spectrum by hand
2. Generate length- N segment of this signal in Matlab
3. Calculate and plot magnitude spectrum for $N = 21$
4. Calculate and plot magnitude spectrum for $N = 21$ with zero padding up till 2048 samples
5. Calculate and plot magnitude spectrum for $N = 81$ with zero padding up till 2048 samples
6. Calculate and plot magnitude spectrum for $N = 81$ with zero padding up till 2048 samples and Hamming windowing
7. Compare and explain results

MATLAB exercise (2)

Consider signal $y[n] = \cos 0.35\pi n + \cos 0.4\pi n + 0.25 \cos 0.8\pi n$

- Solution:



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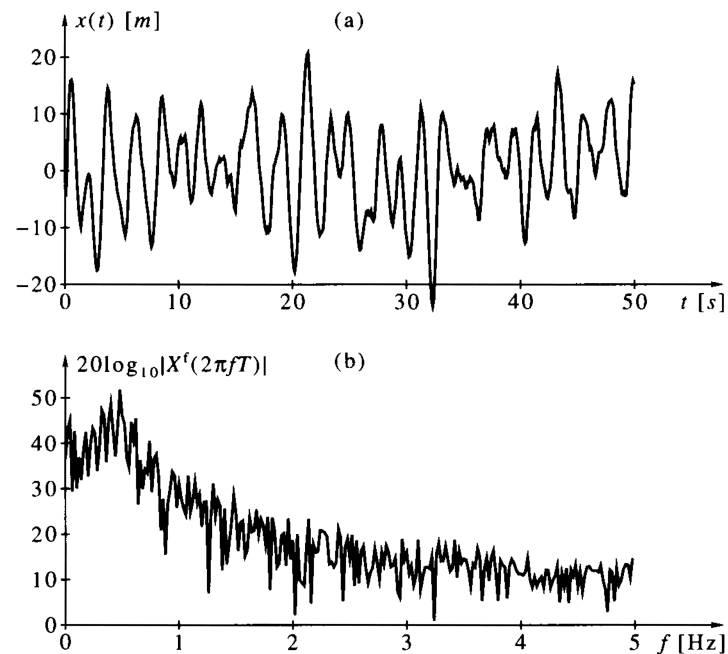
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Introduction: motivating example (1)

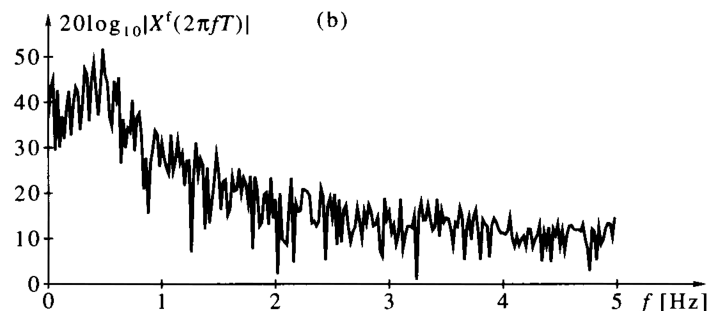
- Example from oceanography
 - measurement of time variation in height of ocean waves



- signal shows oscillatory behavior but **not sinusoidal** behavior
- repeating measurement yields similar but not same signal

Introduction: motivating example (2)

- Example from oceanography
 - how do we perform spectral analysis of random signals?
 - short-time spectral analysis (as for deterministic signals)? No!
 - random signals have random Fourier transform
 - DFT magnitude spectrum will look very noisy
 - spectrum details vary from experiment to experiment
 - zero padding does not solve this problem



- some sort of averaging or smoothing is required

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Averaged periodogram (1)

- Averaged periodogram
 - periodogram = square magnitude of DFT
 - divide length- NL signal $x[n]$ into L length- N segments
 - averaged periodogram (AP) over L segments:

$$\hat{K}_x^f(\theta) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n + lN] e^{-j\theta n} \right|^2 \right\}$$

- key property: AP converges to power spectral density (PSD)

$$\lim_{\substack{N \rightarrow \infty \\ L \rightarrow \infty}} \hat{K}_x^f(\theta) = K_x^f(\theta) = E \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n + lN] e^{-j\theta n} \right|^2 \right\}$$

- note: why average periodogram instead of DFT?

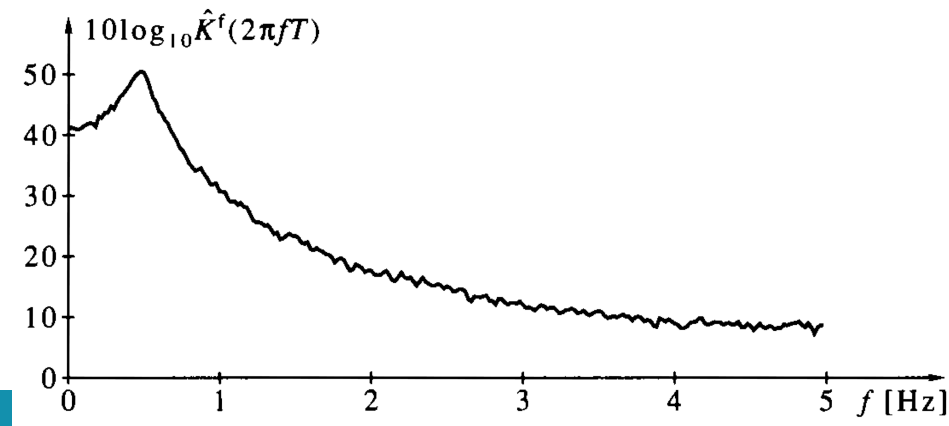
Averaged periodogram (2)

- Windowed averaged periodogram
 - since $N, L \neq \infty$ averaged periodogram is still (slightly) random
 - increasing N makes AP more detailed and more random
 - increasing L makes AP smoother with less randomness
 - additional smoothing can be obtained by **windowing**

$$\hat{K}_x^f(\theta) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w[n] x[n + lN] e^{-j\theta n} \right|^2 \right\}$$

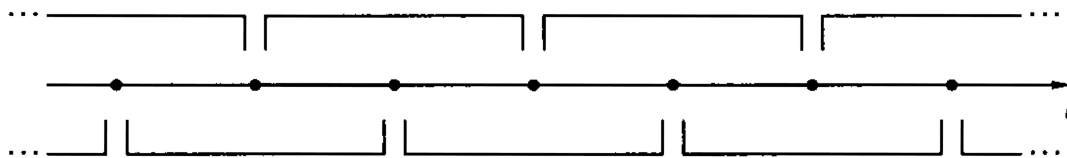
- example: ocean wave AP

- $L = 100$
- $N = 500$
- $w[n] = \text{Hann window}$



Averaged periodogram (3)

- Welch periodogram
 - windowing reduces importance of end-of-segment samples
 - compensated by using (50%) overlap in signal segmentation



- Welch periodogram = AP with windowing and 50% overlap

$$\hat{K}_x^f(\theta) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w[n] x[n + 0.5lN] e^{-j\theta n} \right|^2 \right\}$$

= standard tool for spectral analysis of stationary random signals

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Smoothed periodogram (1)

- Smoothed periodogram
 - consider case when data sequence is too short for averaging
 - because limited amount of data measurement is available
 - because signal has non-stationary behavior
 - smoothed periodogram (without segmentation or averaging)
 - frequency-domain convolution of periodogram and window kernel

$$\hat{K}_x^f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{N} |X^f(\theta - \lambda)|^2 W^f(\lambda) d\lambda$$

- time-domain implementation by length-(2M+1) windowing

$$\hat{K}_x^f(\theta) = \sum_{m=-M}^M \hat{k}_x[m] w[m] e^{-j\theta m}$$

Smoothed periodogram (2)

- Smoothed periodogram

- $\hat{\kappa}_x[m]$ ~ inverse Fourier transform of periodogram $|X^f(\theta)|^2$

- $\hat{\kappa}_x[m]$ is estimate of covariance $\kappa_x[m]$ of random signal $x[n]$

$$\hat{\kappa}_x[m] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1-|m|} x[i]x[i+|m|] \approx E\{x[i]x[i+|m|]\} = \kappa_x[m]$$

- smoothed periodogram computational procedure:

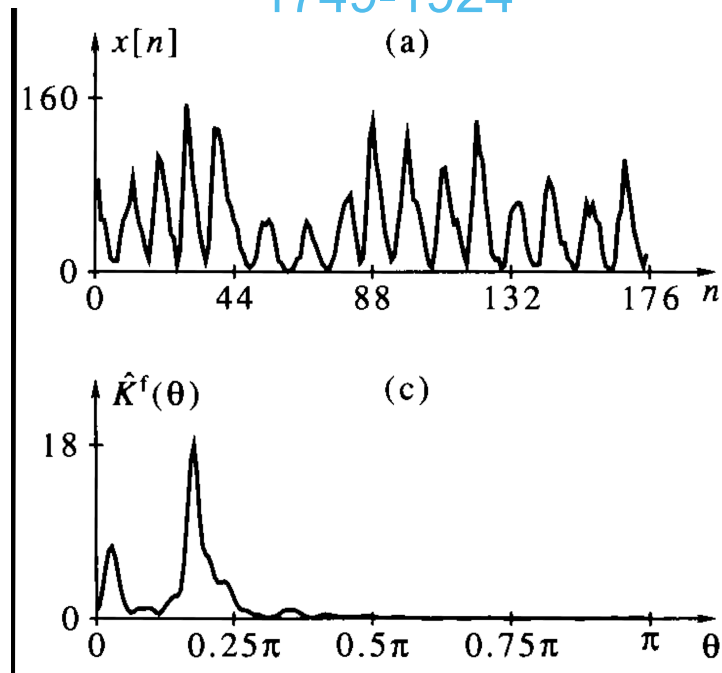
1. estimate covariance
2. multiply with window
3. compute DFT

- window length $2(M+1)$ should always be smaller than $2N-1$, and typically $0.2 < M/N < 0.5$

Smoothed periodogram (3)

- Example: sunspot statistics

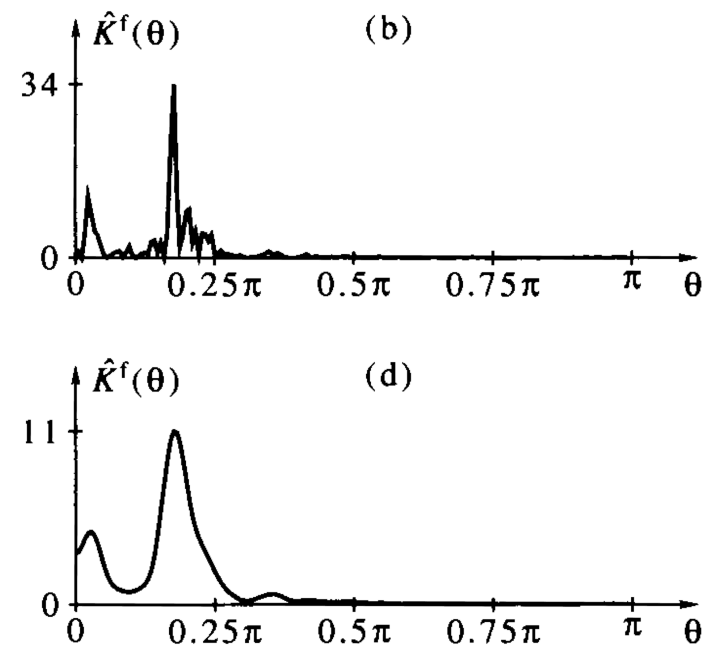
annual sunspot numbers
1749-1924



smoothed periodogram

$M = 88$

periodogram



smoothed periodogram

$M = 44$

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MATLAB exercise

1. Generate zero-mean unit-variance Gaussian white noise signal (length $NL=2^{16}$)
2. Filter this signal with FIR filter $H(z) = 1 + 0.8z^{-1}$
3. Calculate and plot **periodogram** of original and filtered signal
4. Calculate and plot **averaged periodogram** of original and filtered signal (try out different combinations of N and L)