

Space-Frequency Atoms

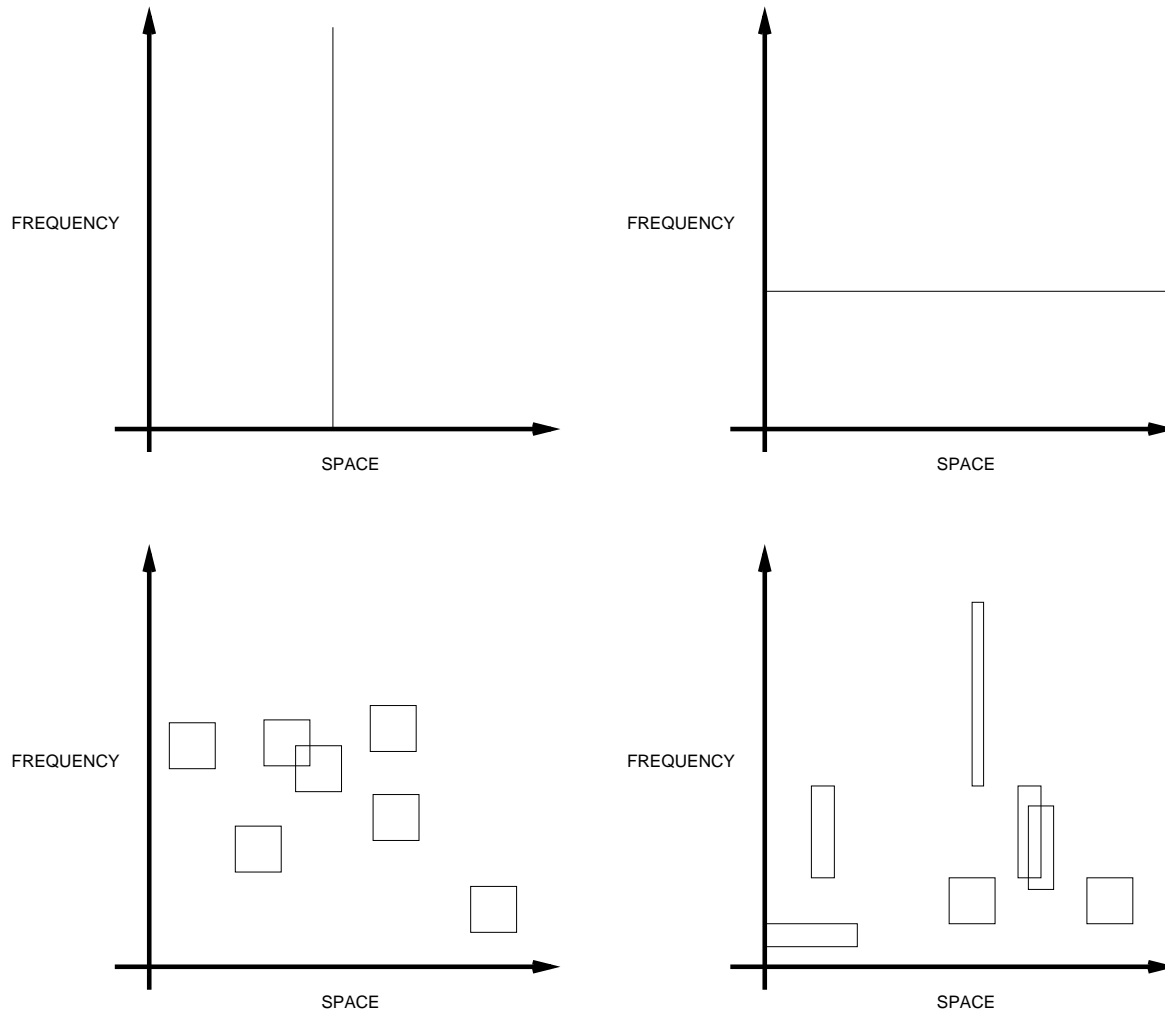


Figure 1: Space-frequency atoms.

Windowed Fourier Transform

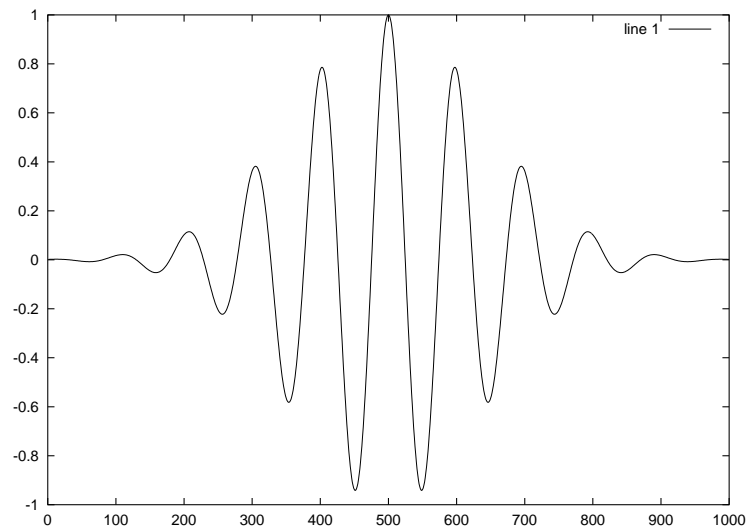


Figure 2: A Gabor function.

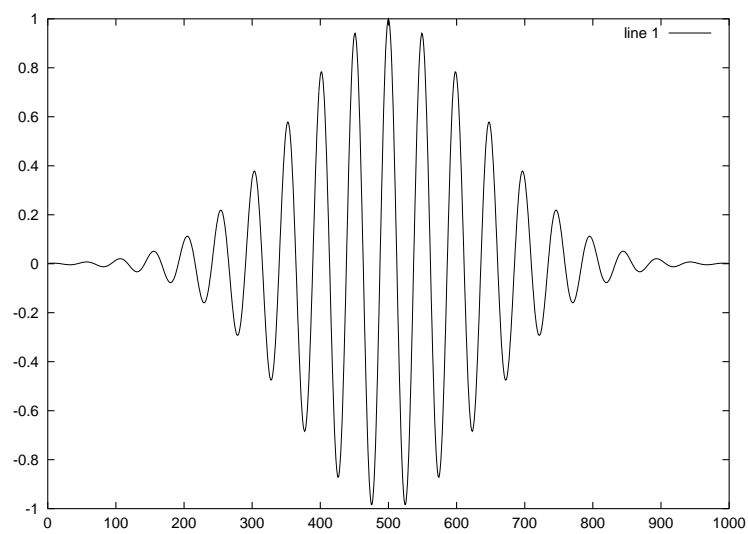


Figure 3: A second Gabor function.

Windowed Fourier Transform (contd.)

- Analysis

$$\begin{aligned} F(u, b) &= \langle f, w(x - b)e^{j2\pi ux} \rangle \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)w(x - b)e^{-j2\pi ux} dx \end{aligned}$$

- Synthesis

$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(u, b)w(x - b)e^{j2\pi ux} du db$$

What is a Wavelet?

All basis functions (daughter wavelets) are generated by *translation* and *dilation* of a *mother* wavelet:

$$\Psi_{a,b}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \Psi \left(\frac{x-b}{a} \right)$$

when $a < 1$ it shrinks the wavelet. The \sqrt{a} factor keeps the norm constant:

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| f \left(\frac{x-b}{a} \right) \right\| &= \sqrt{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| f \left(\frac{x-b}{a} \right) \right|^2 dx} \\ &= \sqrt{a} \|f(x)\|. \end{aligned}$$

What is a Wavelet? (contd.)

The mother wavelet, Ψ , must satisfy the *admissibility criterion*:

$$C_{\Psi} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{|\hat{\Psi}(s)|^2}{|s|} ds < \infty$$

where $\hat{\Psi}$ is the Fourier transform of Ψ . This means that:

- $|\hat{\Psi}(s)|^2$ decays faster than $1/|s|$
- $\hat{\Psi}(0) = 0$.

What is a Wavelet? (contd.)

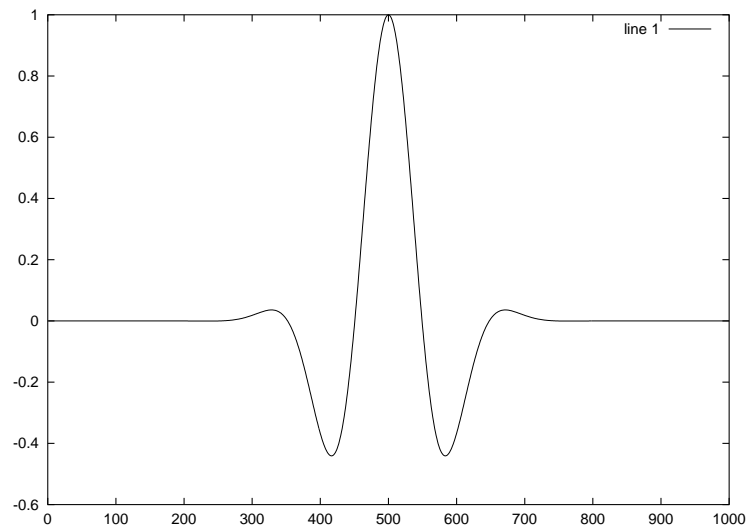


Figure 4: A Morlet wavelet.

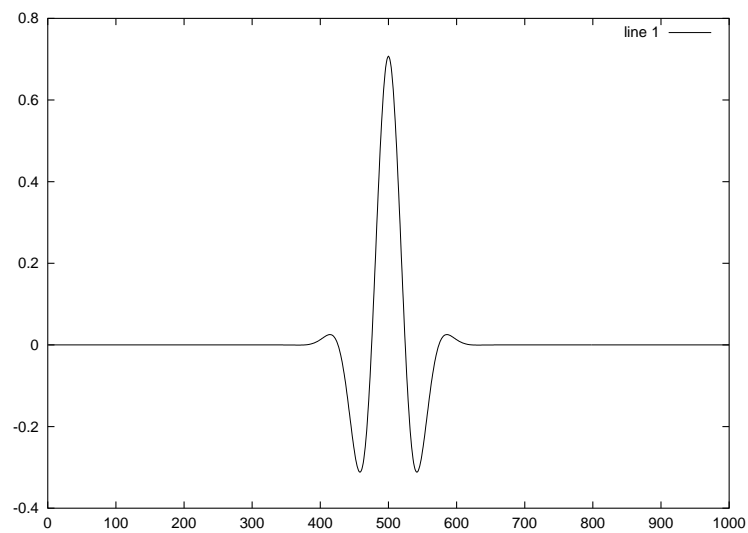


Figure 5: A second Morlet wavelet.

Vanishing Moments

- The n -th moment of Ψ is defined to be:

$$M_n\{\Psi\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^n \Psi(t) dt.$$

- If $M_0\{\Psi\} = 0$ then Ψ has one *vanishing moment*.
- Because

$$M_0\{\Psi\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(x) dx = \hat{\Psi}(0) = 0$$

all wavelets have at least one vanishing moment.

- If $M_0\{\Psi\} = M_1\{\Psi\} = 0$, then Ψ has two vanishing moments, etc.

Vanishing Moments (contd.)

- If Ψ has one vanishing moment, then

$$\langle a_0, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle = 0.$$

- If Ψ has two vanishing moments, then

$$\langle a_1x + a_0, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle = 0.$$

- If Ψ has n vanishing moments, then

$$\langle a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1x + a_0, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle = 0,$$

i.e., the daughter wavelets are orthogonal to any polynomial of degree less than n .

- Vanishing moments are the reason why smooth signals have sparse representations in wavelet bases.

Three Kinds of Wavelet Transform:

- Continuous wavelet transform

	analysis	synthesis	input	output
discrete				
continuous	◇	◇	◇	◇

- Wavelet series transform

	analysis	synthesis	input	output
discrete		◇		
continuous	◇		◇	◇

- Discrete wavelet transform

	analysis	synthesis	input	output
discrete	◇	◇	◇	◇
continuous				

Continuous Wavelet Transform

- Analysis

$$\begin{aligned} F(a, b) &= \langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \overline{\Psi_{a,b}(x)} dx \end{aligned}$$

- Synthesis

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{C_{\Psi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(a, b) \Psi_{a,b}(x) db \frac{da}{a^2}$$

where

$$C_{\Psi} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{|\hat{\Psi}(s)|^2}{|s|} ds$$

Two Dimensional Continuous Wavelet Transform

- Analysis

$$\begin{aligned} F(a, b_x, b_y) &= \langle f, \Psi_{a, b_x, b_y} \rangle \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \overline{\Psi_{a, b_x, b_y}(x, y)} dx dy \end{aligned}$$

- Synthesis

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= \\ \frac{1}{C_{\Psi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(a, b_x, b_y) \Psi_{a, b_x, b_y}(x, y) db_x db_y \frac{da}{a^3} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Psi_{a, b_x, b_y}(x, y) = \frac{1}{|a|} \Psi \left(\frac{x - b_x}{a}, \frac{y - b_y}{a} \right)$$

and

$$C_{\Psi} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{|\hat{\Psi}(u, v)|^2}{\sqrt{|u|^2 + |v|^2}} du dv$$

Wavelet Transform as Convolution

Recall that the relationship between daughter wavelet $\Psi_{a,b}$ and mother wavelet Ψ involves both translation and dilation:

$$\Psi_{a,b}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \Psi \left(\frac{x-b}{a} \right).$$

Let's define a function Ψ_a to represent a daughter which is dilated by a factor a but is not translated:

$$\Psi_a(x-b) = \Psi_{a,b}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \Psi \left(\frac{x-b}{a} \right)$$

and a function $\overline{\Psi}_a(x)$ to represent a reflected and conjugated instance of Ψ_a :

$$\overline{\Psi}_a(x) = \overline{\Psi_a(-x)}.$$

Wavelet Transform as Convolution (contd.)

Using Ψ_a and $\overline{\Psi}_a$ the forward and inverse continuous wavelet transforms can be expressed as follows:

- Analysis

$$\begin{aligned} F(a, b) &= \langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \overline{\Psi}_a(x - b) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \overline{\Psi}_a(b - x) dx \\ &= \{f * \overline{\Psi}_a\}(b) \end{aligned}$$

- Synthesis

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{C_\Psi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle \Psi_{a,b}(x) db \frac{da}{a^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{C_\Psi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{f * \overline{\Psi}_a\}(b) \Psi_a(x - b) db \frac{da}{a^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{C_\Psi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{f * \overline{\Psi}_a * \Psi_a\}(x) \frac{da}{a^2} \end{aligned}$$

Wavelet Series Transform

Is it possible to replace the integrals over a and b in the synthesis formula with sums? Can we represent any f in a Hilbert space, \mathcal{H} , using a discrete set, S , of wavelet coefficients? If for all $f \in \mathcal{H}$ there exist $A > 0$ and $B < \infty$ such that

$$A||f||^2 \leq \sum_{(a,b) \in S} |\langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle|^2 \leq B||f||^2$$

then $\Psi_{a,b}$ for $(a,b) \in S$ form a frame for \mathcal{H} . Furthermore, there exists a set of functions $\tilde{\Psi}_{a,b}$ for $(a,b) \in S$ which form a *dual frame* for \mathcal{H} :

$$\frac{1}{B}||f||^2 \leq \sum_{(a,b) \in S} |\langle f, \tilde{\Psi}_{a,b} \rangle|^2 \leq \frac{1}{A}||f||^2.$$

Wavelet Series Transform (contd.)

The wavelets, $\Psi_{a,b}$, are used for analysis:

$$\langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \overline{\Psi_{a,b}(x)} dx$$

and the wavelets, $\tilde{\Psi}_{a,b}$, are used for synthesis:

$$f(x) = \sum_{(a,b) \in S} \langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle \tilde{\Psi}_{a,b}(x).$$

Self-inverting Wavelet Series

If $A = B$, then

$$\sum_{(a,b) \in S} |\langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle|^2 = A \|f\|^2$$

and the $\Psi_{a,b}$ for $(a,b) \in S$ form a *tight-frame* for \mathcal{H} , in which case

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{A} \sum_{(a,b) \in S} \langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle \Psi_{a,b}(x).$$

Such frames are said to be *self-inverting* because $\tilde{\Psi}_{a,b}(x) = \frac{1}{A} \Psi_{a,b}(x)$.

Redundancy

Recall that for a tight-frame

$$A = \frac{\sum_{(a,b) \in S} |\langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle|^2}{\|f\|^2}.$$

Assuming that $\|\Psi\| = 1$, then A provides a measure of the redundancy of the expansion, i.e., the degree of *overcompleteness*. If $A = 1$ there is no redundancy, and the expansion is *orthonormal*. How can one find wavelet series transforms with no redundancy?

Dyadic Sampling

A sampling pattern is *dyadic* if the daughter wavelets are generated by dilating the mother wavelet by 2^j and translating it by $k2^j$:

$$\Psi_{j,k}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^j}} \Psi \left(\frac{x - k2^j}{2^j} \right)$$

Dyadic sampling is optimal because the space variable is sampled at the Nyquist rate for any given frequency.

Dyadic Sampling (contd.)

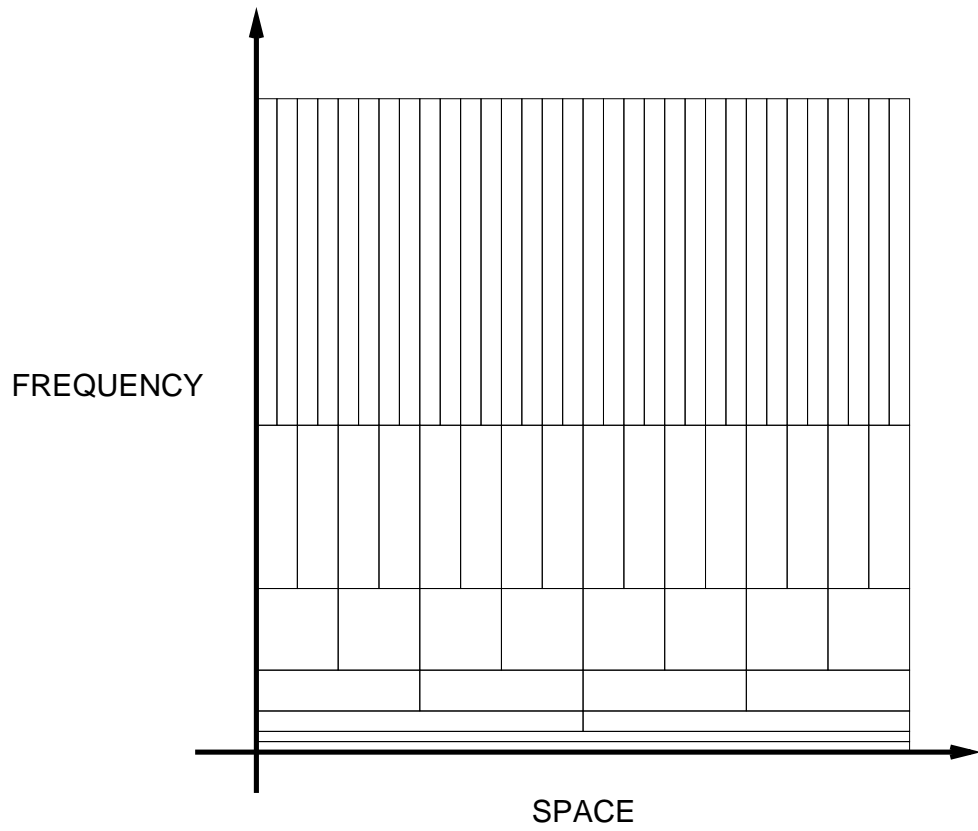


Figure 6: Dyadic sampling pattern.