

Audio Signal Processing : VII. Time-frequency analysis

Emmanuel Bacry

`bacry@ceremade.dauphine.fr`
`http://www.cmap.polytechnique.fr/~bacry`

Definition :

$$G(t, \omega) = \int s(u)g(u - t)e^{-i\omega u} du$$

where

- $s(t)$: is the audio signal
- $g(t)$: is the window (localized, symetric, real function)

What shape for the window ?

g should be smooth enough not to introduce spurious high frequency (more to come later)

$$G(t, \omega) = \int s(u)g(u - t)e^{-i\omega u} du$$

It can be rewritten

$$G(t, \omega) = \langle s, g_{\omega, t} \rangle$$

with

$$g_{\omega, t}(u) = g(u - t)e^{i\omega u}$$

$g_{\omega, t} \simeq$ time-frequency atoms \simeq "test" functions

- Localization in time
 - Centered at time t
 - support $\simeq \sigma_t = \Delta t$
- Localization in frequency $\hat{g}_{\omega, t}(\xi) = e^{-i\omega t} \hat{g}(\xi - \omega)$
 - Centered at frequency ω
 - support $\simeq \sigma_\omega = \Delta\omega$

Heisenberg inequality : $\Delta t \Delta\omega \geq C$

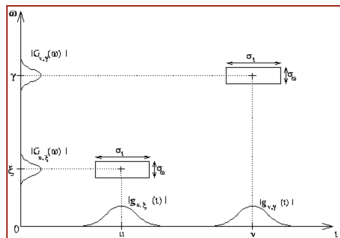
$$G(t, \omega) = \int s(u)g(u - t)e^{-i\omega u} du$$

It can be rewritten

$$G(t, \omega) = \langle s, g_{\omega, t} \rangle$$

with

$$g_{\omega, t}(u) = g(u - t)e^{i\omega u}$$

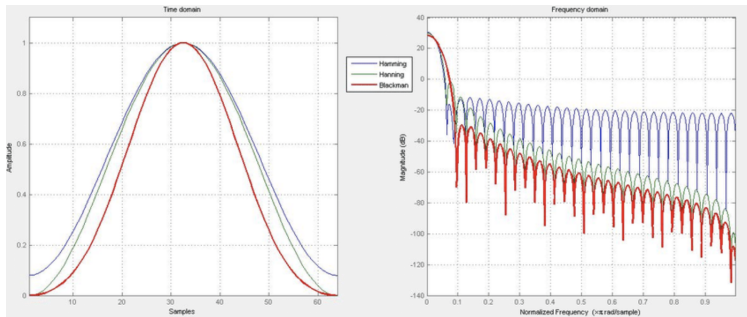


What shape for the window ?

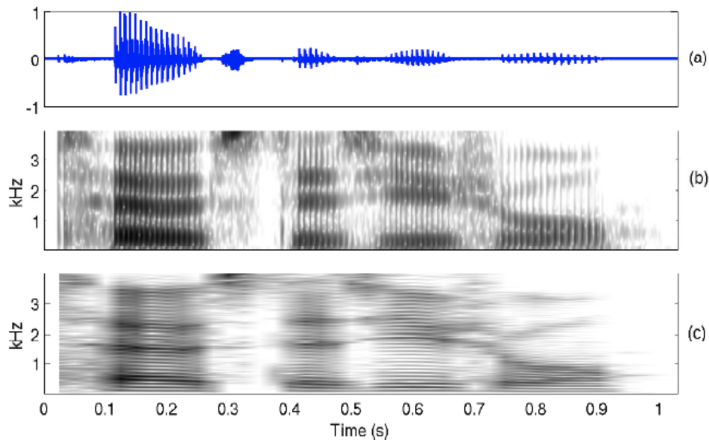
- Hanning : $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\pi x)$, $x \in [0, 1]$
- Hamming : $0.54 - 0.46 \cos(2\pi x)$, $x \in [0, 1]$
- Blackman : $0.42 - 0.5 \cos(2\pi x) + 0.08 \cos(4\pi x)$, $x \in [0, 1]$

Fenêtre	Lobe 2aire (dB)	Pente (dB/oct)	Bande passante (bins)	Perte au pire des cas (dB)
Rectangulaire	-13	-6	1,21	3,92
Triangulaire	-27	-12	1,78	3,07
Hann	-32	-18	2,00	3,18
Hamming	-43	-6	1,81	3,10
Blackman-Harris 3	-67	-6	1,81	3,45

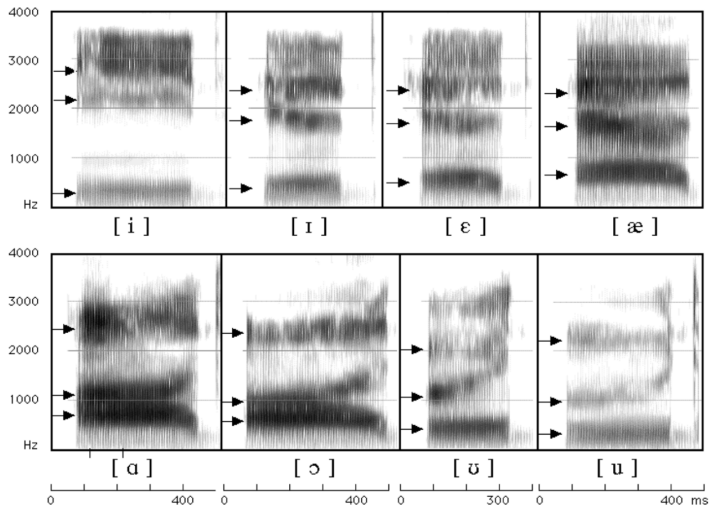
What shape for the window ?



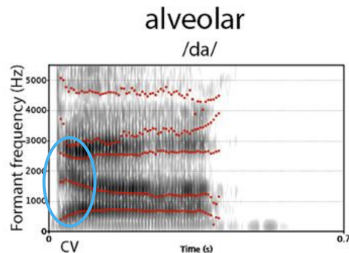
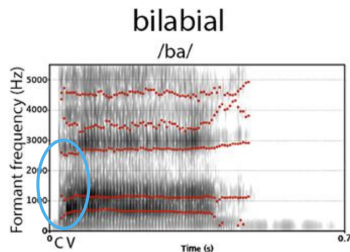
Example of Spectrograms : narrow versus wide-band



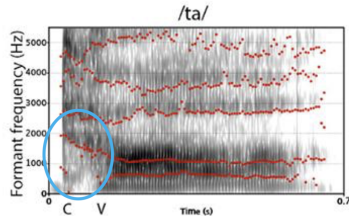
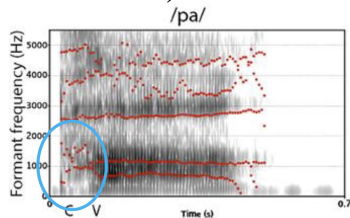
Example of Spectrograms : vowels



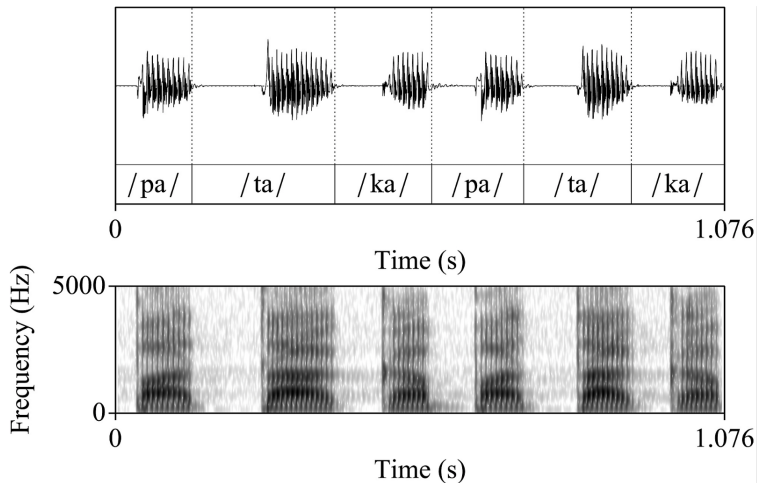
Example of Spectrograms : plosives



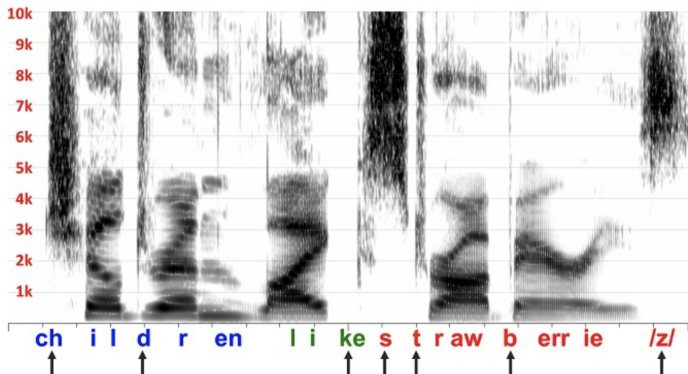
the Onset Time")



Example of Spectrograms : more plosives



Example of Spectrograms : sentence



Definition

$$G(t, \omega) = \int s(u)g(u - t)e^{-i\omega u} du$$

One gets

$$G(t, \omega)e^{i\omega t} = s \star g_{\omega}(t)$$

where $g_{\omega}(t) = g(t)e^{i\omega t}$, $\hat{g}_{\omega}(\xi) = \hat{g}(\xi - \omega)$

Since $G(t, \omega) = \langle s, g_{\omega, t} \rangle$, with $g_{\omega, t}(u) = g(u - t)e^{i\omega u}$

We could expect a reconstruction formula like

$$s(t) = C \int d\omega \int du G(u, \omega) g_{\omega, u}(t) \quad ?$$

Actually one can use a reconstruction window h different from the analysis window g

$$s(t) = C \int d\omega \int du G(u, \omega) h_{\omega, u}(t)$$

where

$$C = \frac{1}{2\pi \langle h, g \rangle}$$

Definition

$$G(t, \omega) = \int s(u)g(u - t)e^{-i\omega u} du$$

One has

$$\|s\|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi\|g\|^2} \int du \int d\omega |G(u, \omega)|^2$$

Analysis

- Time discretization (Shannon) of the signal $s[n] = s(n\Delta t)$

$$G(\omega, n\Delta t) = \sum s[m]g[m-n]e^{-i\omega m\Delta t}$$

- g has a support of size N (so does $s[.]g[.-n]$)
- A natural sampling for ω is given by Discrete Fourier Transform : $\Delta\omega = \frac{2\pi}{N\Delta t}$

$$G[k, n] = G(k\Delta\omega, n\Delta t) = \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} s[m]g[m-n]e^{-\frac{2i\pi km}{N}}, \quad n \in [0, N[, \quad k \in [0, N[$$

Any hint about increasing the sampling precision of ω (i.e., decreasing $\Delta\omega$)?

Reconstruction

- We subsample in time $\{G(k, n)\}_{k,n} \rightarrow \{G(k, pR)\}_{k,p}$
- For each time pR we inverse Fourier transform, so we get $\{s[n]g[n - pR]\}$ (which has a support of size N).
- We use a reconstruction window $h[n]$ such that

$$\sum_p g[n - pR]h[n - pR] = 1$$

- we thus get

$$\sum_p s[n]g[n - pR]h[n - pR] = s[n]$$

Framework

$$s(t) = a(t) \cos(\phi(t))$$

where

- $a(t)$: slowly varying (compared to $\phi(t)$)
- $\phi'(t)$: instantaneous frequency
- $\phi''(t)$: slowly varying (compared to $\phi(t)$)

Theorem

$$s(t) = a(t) \cos(\phi(t)), \quad \Delta a(t) \ll \Delta \phi(t), \quad \Delta \phi'(t) \ll \Delta \phi(t)$$

If $\hat{g}(\omega)$ has a support $]-\frac{\Delta\Omega}{2}, \frac{\Delta\Omega}{2}[$ and if $\phi'(t) > \frac{\Delta\Omega}{2}$ then the function

$$\omega \longrightarrow |G(t, \omega)|$$

has a maximum at $\omega = \phi'(t)$