



# Exploring Glitchland - II T-F Glitch Entomology



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## Entomology

The study and understanding (Greek: λογία) of the insects (Greek: ἔντομοι), i.e., literally "entities which consist of (several) parts"





## **Glitch Entomologist Roadmap**

Validate a quick reliable procedure for extracting training sets of "clean" glitches from (long) time series . Key problem: robustness .

Investigate "fine structure" of glitches (look for evidences of the fact that, in general, glitches are "multi-component") **skeleton representations**.

Investigate glitch (linear) decompositions using a *pre-determined* set of elementary "glitches". Simplest choice: SG-atoms **Matching - Pursuit representation of glitches using a Gabor-atom dictionary**.

Investigate glitch (linear) decompositions using an **adaptively - determined** set of elementary glitches **Basis - Pursuit, K-means-SVD dictionary construction** 

## **This Talk**

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### **Time-Frequency Tools**

Natural choice for analyzing non-stationary (transient) signals;

- All limited by Gabor resolution bound (frequency · time uncertainty) - to different extents, e.g.,
- Short-Time Fourier Transform (*worst* of them all in terms of TF resolution);
- Non-uniform TF-tiling linear transforms, including wavelet (e.g., Kleine-Welle, L. Blackburn, LIGO-T060221 etc), and constant-Q (e.g., Q-pipeline, S. Chatterji, LIGO-G060044 etc) transforms;
- Wigner-Ville transform, *best* (in energy-preserving transform class) in terms of resolution ...

... but, being bi-linear, exhibiting signal-signal and signal-noise *intermodulation artifacts* which may affect its readability ...

Gabor Atomic Decomposition;

Hilbert – Huang "Empirical Mode" Decomposition

## The Q-Transform

Project signal into time-shifted, time-windowed-sinusoids, whose time-widths are *inversely proportional* to their center frequencies.

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\text{time}}{\overset{\text{frequency}}{\swarrow}} X_Q[m,k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-i2\pi nk/N} w[m-n,k] \end{aligned}$$



Efficient computation in terms of D(W)FT,

$$\tilde{X}[l] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]e^{-i2\pi nl/N}, \quad \tilde{W}[l] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} w[n,k]e^{-i2\pi nl/N}$$
$$\longrightarrow \quad X_Q[m,k] = \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \tilde{X}[l+k]\tilde{W}[l,k]e^{-i2\pi nl/N}$$

[J.C. Brown, "Calculation of a constant Q spectral transform," JASA 89 (1991) 425]

[J. C. Brown and M. S. Puckette, "An Efficient Algorithm for the Calculation of a Constant Q Transform," JASA 92 (1992) 2698.]

[S. Chatterji et al., "Multiresolution Techniques for the Detection of Gravitational -Wave Bursts," CQG 21 (2004) S1809]

## **TF Plane Tilings**



QT can be regarded as template bank (in the whitened signal manifold), whose templates are sinusoidal-Gaussians of different central time, central frequency, and quality factor Q. Typical Q values are in the range (4, 64); typical center frequencies from 10<sup>2</sup> to 10<sup>3</sup> Hz.

QT stands at the core of the (widely adopted) **Qscan**, **QOnline** and **Omega** pipelines.

[R. Khan and S. Chatterji, "Enhancing the Capabilities of LIGO Time-Frequency Plane Searches Through Clustering," CQG 26 (2009) 155009]

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## **The Wigner-Ville Transform**

$$W_{x}(t,f) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{x} \left(t + \frac{\tau}{2}\right) \tilde{x}^{*} \left(t - \frac{\tau}{2}\right) e^{-i2\pi f t}$$
  
where:  $\tilde{x}(t) = x(t) + i \mathscr{H}[x(t)]$   
analytic mate of  $x(t)$  Hilbert transform [stin pares]  
WV intermodulation artifacts **do not** [stin pares]

appear **only** for two special signals:

- *linear* chirps,  $f = f_0 + \beta t$ ;
- Gabor (SG) atoms

$$s(t) = C \exp\left[\left(\frac{t-t_0}{\delta t}\right)^2\right] \cos[\Omega(t-t_0)]$$



Time [scaled units]

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## The Wigner-Ville Transform, contd.



Think of actual instantaneous frequency as a superposition (chain) of time-gated (short) consecutive linear chirps. ..

## The Wigner-Ville Transform, contd.



Intermodulation between signal and noise may badly blur the TF representation . In this specific case, the actual skeleton is barely visible ... <u>Smoothing</u> by use of an ambiguity-function (AF) adapted kernel [R. Baraniuk and D. Jones, Signal Proc. 32 (1993) 263] - Husimi / Choi-Williams can be seen as special cases; Suppress intermodulation terms (which map far from the origin in the AF plane) at the expense of a worse TF resolution

Re-assigment (re-squeezing) [P. Flandrin et al., IEEE T-SP 43 (1995) 1968] re-allocate value of smoothed WV at each TF point P to *barycenter* of the WV smoothed by kernel at P

Retrieving the TF skeleton of the WV from a reduced cardinality AF-data subset, using a sparsity constraint [P. Flandrin and P. Borgnat, IEEE T-SP58 (2010) 2974]

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Hilbert-Huang Transform Specific Issues Compute Wigner-Ville TF-representation of data W(t,f);

- Compute related ambiguity function (2D Fourier transform of WV), call it A(t,f);
- Construct Beraniuk-Jones optimal smoothing kernel for A(t,f);
- Identify Beraniuk-Jones optimal smoothing kernel level curves;
- Select the contour encircling  $\sim N$  samples (*Heisenberg cardinality constraint*);
- Find the TF skeleton  $\Sigma(t, f)$  by solving the constrained optimization problem (sparse synthesis problem)

 $\frac{\min}{\Sigma} \|\Sigma\|_0 \text{ subject to } \|\mathscr{F}(\Sigma) - A\|_2 \le \varepsilon$ 



### **CC Skeletons – Seeing is Believing**



courtesy P. Flandrin

#### **CC Skeletons for GW Hunters**

#### **Compressed Coding for Time-Frequency Gravitational** Wave Data Analysis

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**Abstract.** The potential of sparse time frequency representations (compressed coding) for gravitational wave data analysis is illustrated, by comparison with existing methods, as regards i) shedding light on the fine-structure of noise glitches, in preparation of their classification, and ii) boosting the performance of waveform consistency tests in the network detection of unmodeled transient gravitational wave signals co-existing with unmodeled noise glitches.

[LIGO-P1200170]

#### A Gabor «Molecule»



#### **A LIGO Glitch**



#### A GEO 600 Glitch



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#### **Atomic Decomposition**

Gabor (Sine Gaussian) atom: 5-parameter waveform dictionary

$$x(t \mid A_0, t_0, f_0, \tau_0, \psi_0) = A_0 exp\left(-\frac{(t-t_0)}{\tau_0^2}\right) Cos(2\pi f_0 t + \psi_0)$$

Matching Pursuit (MP) approximation (greedy algorithm)



#### **Atomic Decomposition, contd.**



## **The «Dark Energy» Problem**

Naïve atomic decomposition shows atoms which are strikingly outside the time support of the glitch (dark-energy atoms). Must include a penalty functional in the greedy optimization algorithm



#### smart



#### naive

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#### Step 1 - "decompose" signal into Huang's intrinsic modes

$$s(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{N} a_k(t) cos[\phi_k(t)]$$

No sound theoretical basis. Just an algorithm ("sifting"). NASA hold several related patents. signal has at least one max & one min (otherwise
must be differentiated first);

"time scale" defined by time lapse between extrema;

at any point, mean value of the (local) max-envelope and (local) min-envelope is zero for each IMF;

In each IMF the number of min, max and zero crossings does not differ by more than 1.

}

Step 1 - compute Hilbert – transform (H) of Huang modes — (sparse) TF coding

s(t) is "encoded" in the TF plane as a set of TF arcs (ridges), whose levels are determined by the related instantaneous amplitudes

## **HHT Specific Issues**

i) The IMF decomposition is not unique:, there is an infinite number of IMF choices which will reproduce the same s(t), differing in the way the non-stationarity is embedded in the AM, FM or both. To avoid this indetermination we need to constrain the definition of a signal *component* e.g., as a *connected* TF region with *"significant"* energy (Bedrosian).

ii) The EMD algorithm implies time-continuity of each IMF. As a result, *distinct* signal components may be *grouped together* even if their time supports do not originally overlap.

iii) The claim frequently made in the GW Literature that "the HH method achieves *infinite frequency resolution*" is unsubstantial: evidence (Flandrin) shows that two (pure) tones *will not* be solved by EMD unless their frequencies differ by a *confusion band*- depending on the tone amplitudes ratio.

iv) The numerical differentiation used to retrieve the instantaneous frequency is quite sensitive to noise. Boashash and coworkers compared the STFT, WD, RGK-smoothed WV, BD, HHT in the presence of noise for a number of representative waveforms. They found that the RGK-smoothed WV and the HHT gave the best and worst performance, respectively.

#### **HHT «Dark Energy» Problem**

Huang empirical modes (original waveform in cyan)

mode # 7

400

500

300

0.00

-002

-0.04

-0.06

100

200



support of the original waveform (e.g., mode # 3) They give only a (destructive) interferential contribution (dark energy, similar to MP-based AD)

## Conclusions

TF tools are a natural choice to investigate the fine structure of glitches, and hopefully improving our understanding about their origin, and our skill in getting rid of them.

The Gabor duality bound limits TF resolution.

No Holy Grail TF technique exists: all techniques have their own strenghts and pitfalls.

CC-based TF skeletons produce readable TF representations of complex multi-component wave-forms, which are free from intermodulation artifacts and yield as much timefrequency resolution as possible *uniformly* throughout the TF plane.

## **Thanks for Your Kind Attention**

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More on Sparse Representations and CS applications in Physics at

http://dsp.rice.edu/cs

## The Q-Transform, contd.

- The squared mag of the Q transform coefficients X are  $\chi^2$  distributed with 2 d.o.f.;
- Define a normalized TF-tile energy as  $Z = \frac{|X|^2}{\langle |X|^2 \rangle_{(\text{same } f_0, Q)}}$ ;
- This is related to the "SNR" of the "corresponding" SG-correlator by  $SNR = \sqrt{2Z}$ ;
- In the H<sub>0</sub> hypothesis (noise only) Z is exp-distributed, prob(Z > ζ) = exp(-ζ), which allows to set a threshold to identify candidate "triggers"; the QT can be accordingly used to identify significant transients in
  - The GW Channel (GW bursts and glitches)
  - Auxiliary detector channels (glitches)
  - Environmental monitoring data (environment excitations)
- Performance improves if significant ("hot") tiles are *clustered* on the basis of their "proximity" in the TF plane [R. Khan and S. Chatterji, "Enhancing the Capabilities of LIGO Time-Frequency Plane Searches Through Clustering," CQG 26 (2009) 155009].