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The wavelet transform corresponds to the decomposition of a quadratic integrable function  $s(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  in a family of scaled and translated functions  $\Psi_{k,l}(t)$ ,

$$\psi_{k,l}(t) = k^{-1/2} \psi\left(\frac{t-l}{k}\right)$$

The function  $\Psi(x)$  is called wavelet function and shows band-pass behavior. The wavelet coefficients  $d_{a,b}$  are derived as follows:

$$d_{k,l} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(x) \Psi^*\left(\frac{x-l}{k}\right) dx$$

where  $k \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $l \in \mathbb{R}$

and  $*$  denotes the complex conjugate function

The discrete wavelet transform (DWT) represents a 1-D signal  $s(t)$  in terms of shifted versions of a lowpass scaling function  $\phi(t)$  and shifted and dilated versions of a prototype bandpass wavelet function  $\psi(t)$ .

**For special choices of  $\phi(t)$  and  $\psi(t)$ , the functions:**

$$\psi_{j,k}(t) = 2^{-j/2} \psi(2^{-j}t - k),$$

$$\phi_{j,k}(t) = 2^{-j} \phi(2^{-j}t - k)$$

**for  $j$  and  $k \in \mathbf{Z}$ , form an orthonormal basis, and we have the representation:**

$$z(t) = \sum_k u_{j_0,k} \phi_{j_0,k}(t) + \sum_{j=j_0}^{\infty} \sum_k \omega_{j,k} \psi_{j,k}(t)$$

**where,**

$$u_{j,k} = \int s(t) \phi_{j,k}^*(t) dt \quad \text{and} \quad \omega_{j,k} = \int s(t) \psi_{j,k}^*(t) dt$$



**Relook at F.T. expressions:**

$$F(u) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-j2\pi xu} dx \quad f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(u) e^{j2\pi xu} du$$

**Thus  $f(x)$  is represented here as a linear combination of the basis functions:  $\exp(j\omega x)$**

**Wavelet transform on the other hand, represents  $f(x)$  (or  $f(t)$ ) as a linear combination of:**

$$\psi_{kl}(t) = 2^{-k/2} \psi(2^{-k} t - l)$$

**where  $\psi(t)$  is called the mother wavelet.**

**Parameters  $k$  and  $l$  are integers – which generates the basis functions as the dilated and shifted variations of the mother wavelet.**

The parameter  $k$  plays the role of frequency and  $l$  plays the role of time. Hence by varying  $k$  and  $l$ , we have different frequency and different time or space – hence the term **multi-channel multi-resolution approach**.

**Compare in discrete case:**

**The F.T.:**

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{u=0}^{N-1} F(u) e^{j2\pi ux/N}; \quad x = 0, 1, \dots, (N-1)$$

**The DWT:**

$$f(t) = \sum_k \sum_l X_{DWT}(k, l) [2^{-k/2} \psi(2^{-k} t - l)]$$

**where,**

$$X_{CWT}(k, l) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \psi\left(\frac{t-l}{k}\right) dt$$

## DWT – Discrete Wavelet Transform:

**Forward:**

$$X_{DWT}(k, l) = a^{-k/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) h(a^{-k}t - lT) dt$$

**and Inverse:**

$$x(t) = \sum_k \sum_l X_{DWT}(k, l) [a^{-k/2} f(a^{-k}t - lT)]$$

**Take, T = 1 and time is continuous.**

**Analysis filters:**

$$h_k(t) = a^{-k/2} h(a^{-k}t)$$

**Synthesis filters:**

$$f_k(t) = a^{-k/2} f(a^{-k}t)$$

**Functions h(t) and f(t) are derived by dilation of a single filter. Thus the basis functions are dilated (t -> a<sup>-k</sup>t) and shifted (t -> t - la<sup>-k</sup>t)**

**versions of:**

$$f(t) = \psi_{kl}(t) = a^{-k/2} \psi(a^{-k}t - lT)$$

**Synthesis filters for perfect reconstruction:  $f_k(t) = h_k^*(-t)$**



**Visualize pseudo-frequency corresponding to a **scale**. Assume a center frequency  $F_c$  of the wavelet and use the following relationship:**

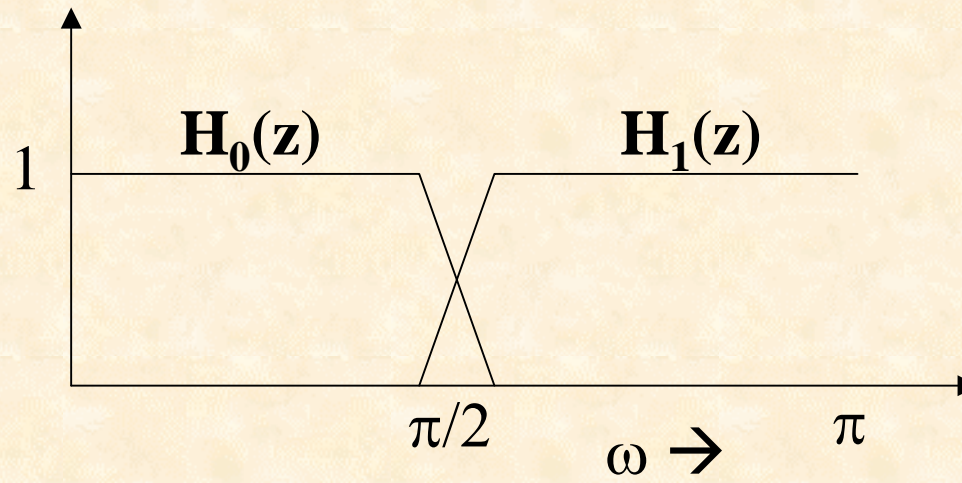
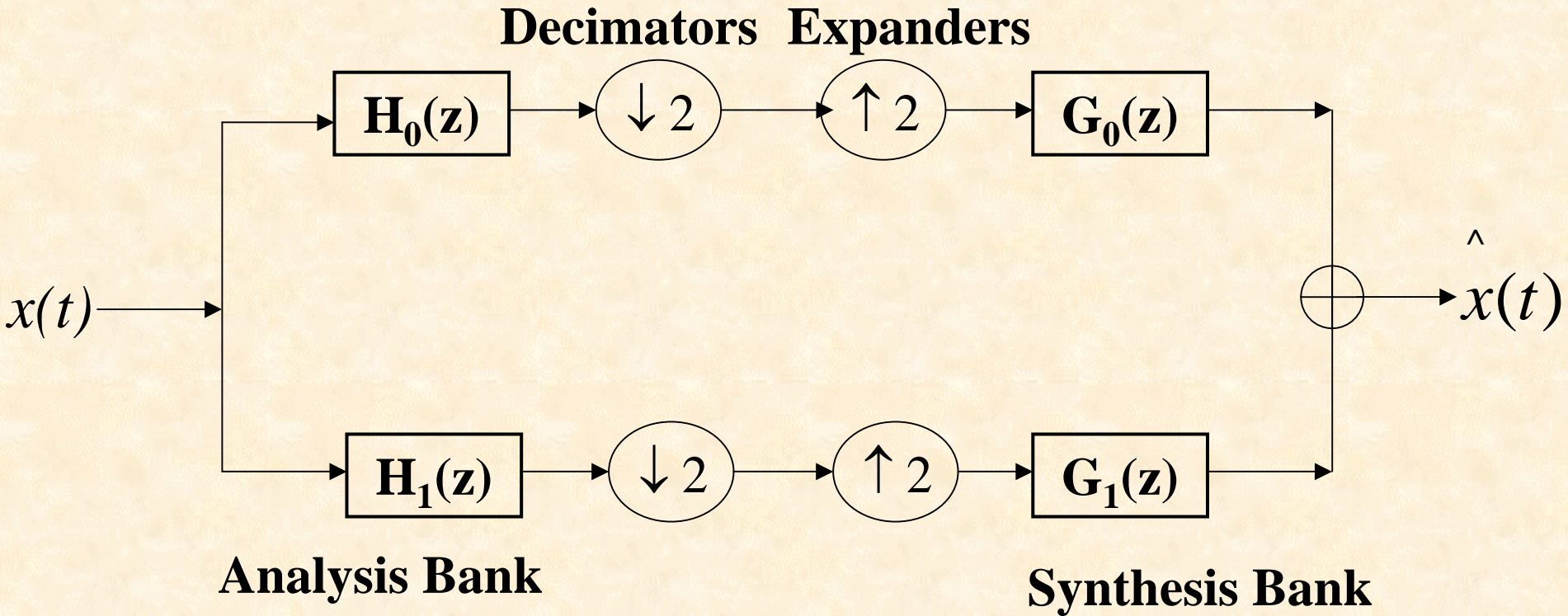
$$F_a = \frac{F_c}{a \cdot \Delta}$$

**where  $a$  is the scale.  $\Delta$  is the sampling period and  $F_c$  is the center frequency of a wavelet in Hz.  $F_a$  is the pseudo-frequency corresponding to the scale  $a$ , in Hz.**

**The highpass and lowpass filters are not independent of each other, and they are related by the following expression:**

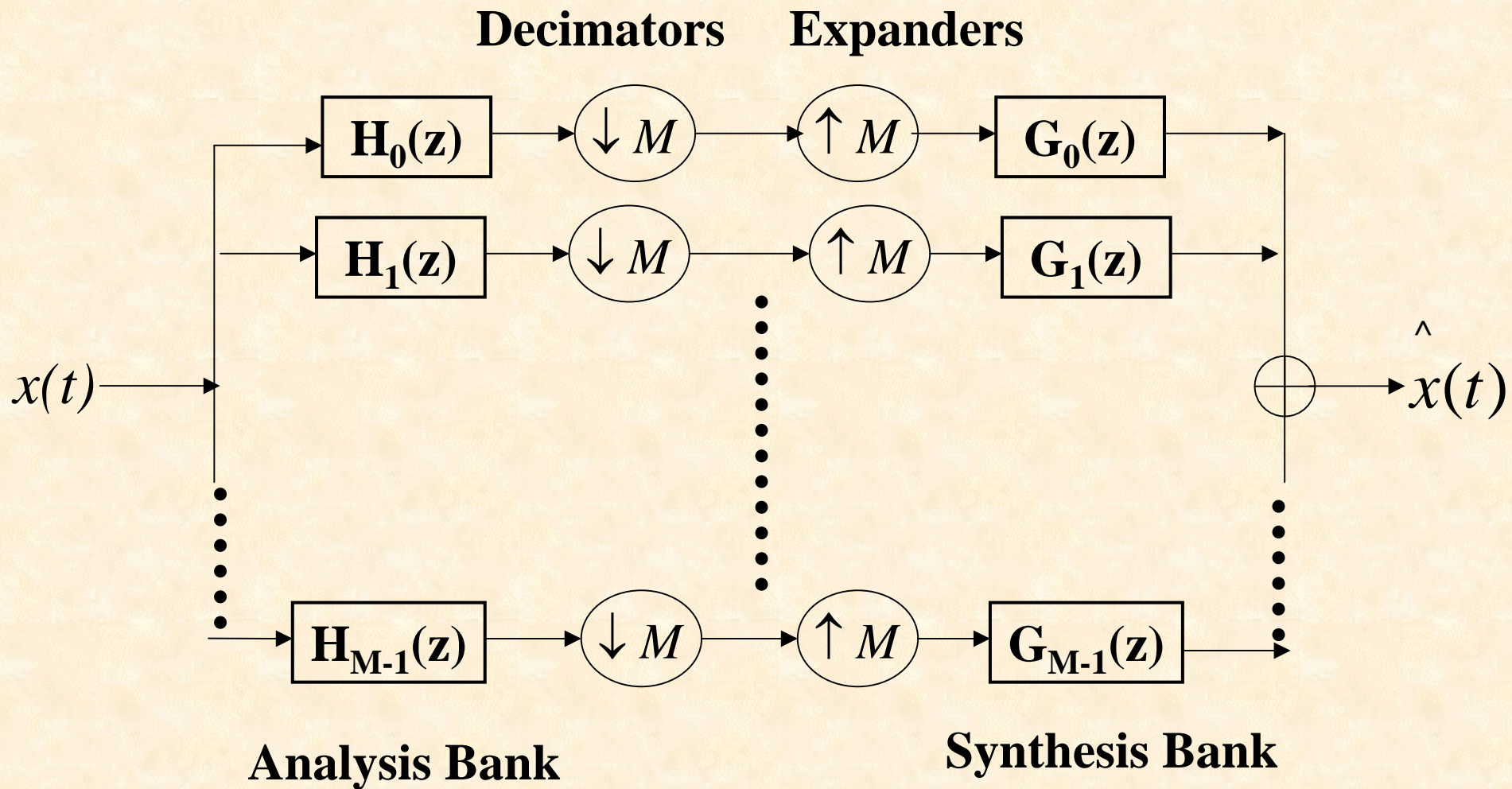
$$g[L-1-N] = (-1)^n \cdot h(n)$$

# QMF bank and typical magnitude responses





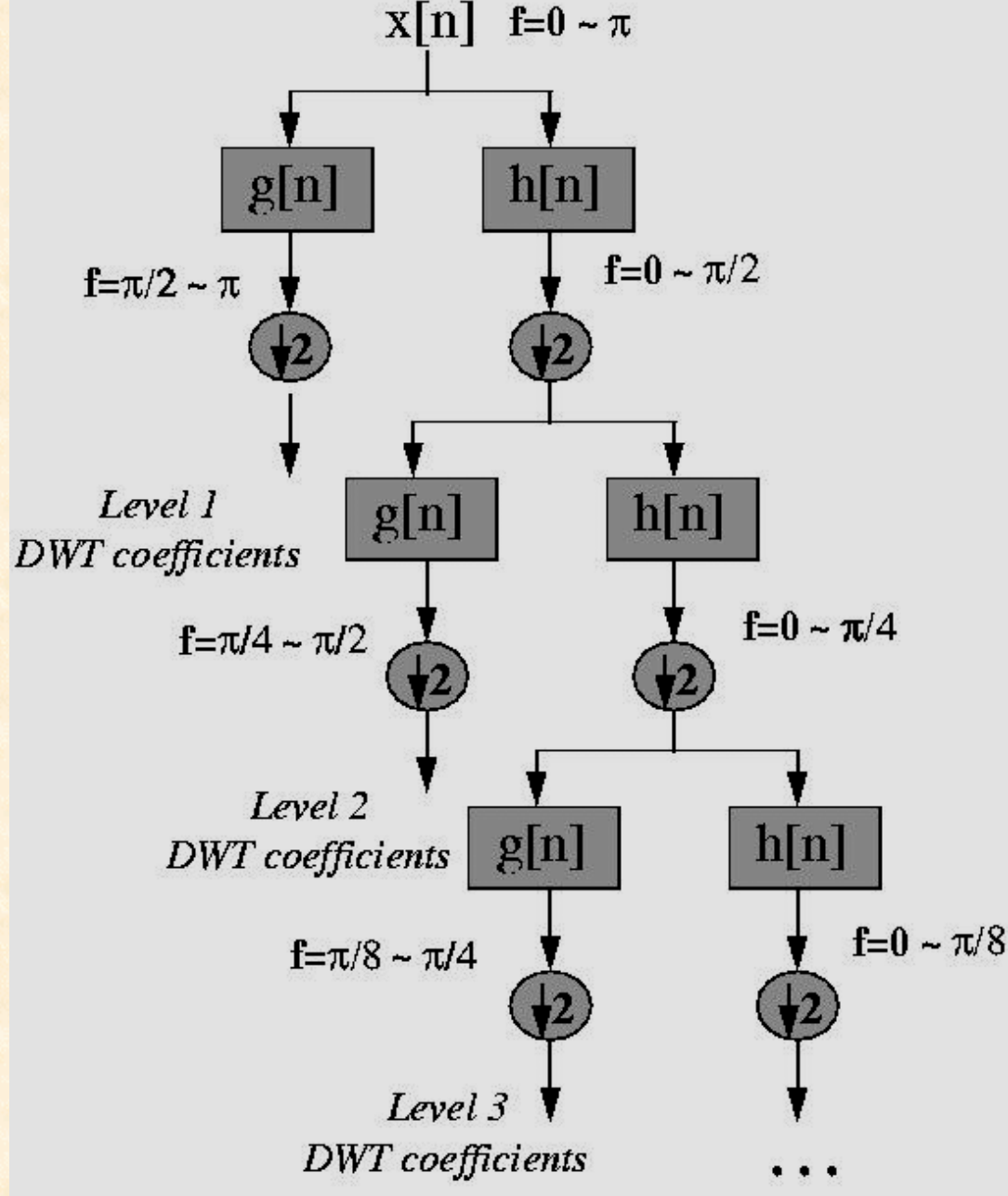
# M-channel (M-band) QMF bank



- The DWT analyzes the signal at different frequency bands with different resolutions by decomposing the signal into *coarse approximation and detail information*.
- DWT employs two sets of functions, called scaling functions and wavelet functions, which are associated with **low pass and highpass filters**, respectively.
- The decomposition of the signal into **different frequency bands** is simply obtained by **successive highpass and lowpass filtering** of the time domain signal.
- The original signal  $x[n]$  is first passed through a **half-band highpass filter  $g[n]$  and a lowpass filter  $h[n]$** .
- After the filtering, **half of the samples can be eliminated** (according to the Nyquist's rule) since the signal now has a highest frequency of  $f_{\max}/2$  radians instead of  $f_{\max}$ .
- The **signal can therefore be sub-sampled by 2**, simply by discarding every other sample. This constitutes one level of decomposition and can mathematically be expressed as follows:

$$y_{hi}[k] = \sum x[n].g[2k - n]$$

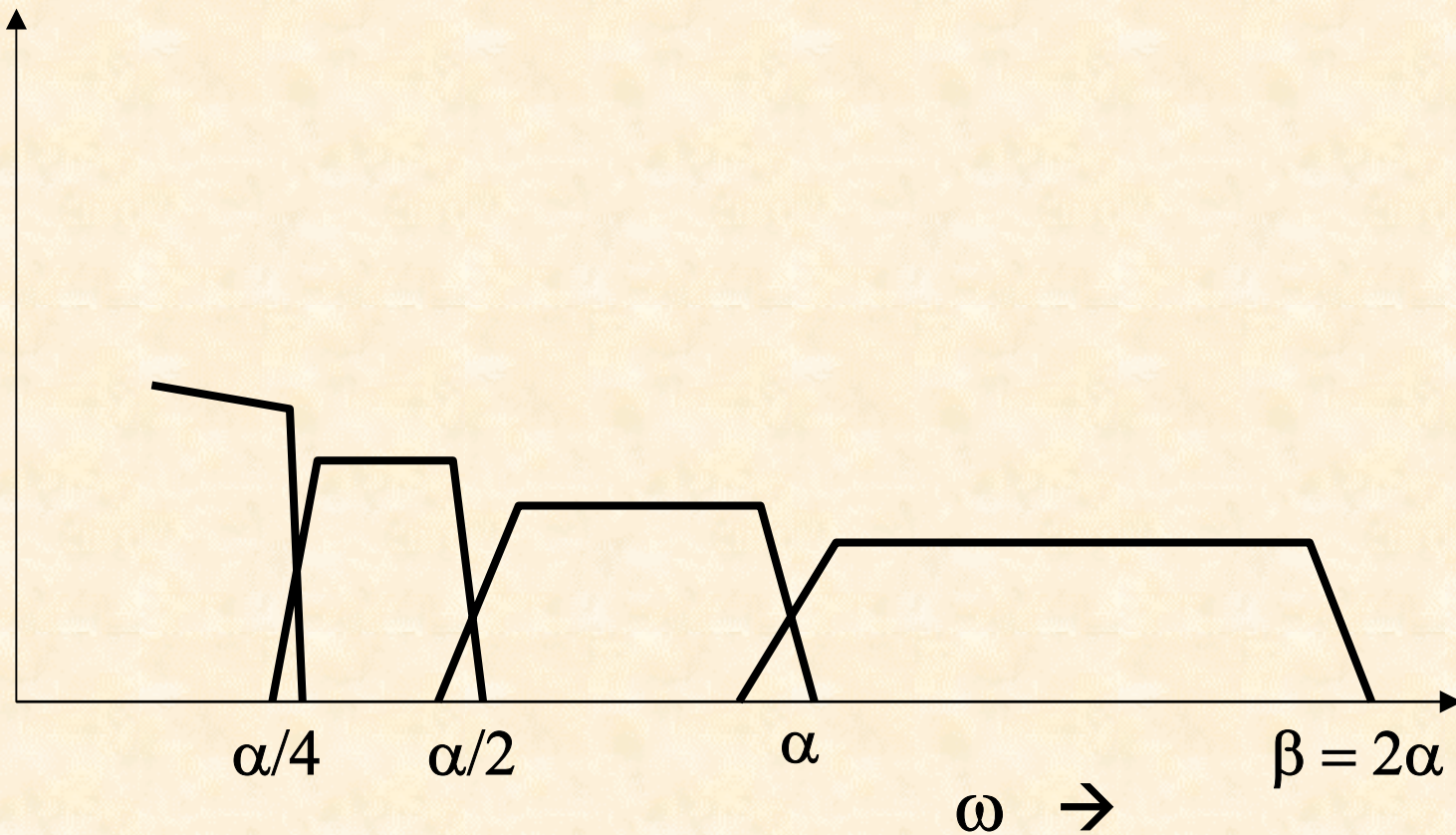
$$y_{lo}[k] = \sum x[n].h[2k - n]$$



**Block diagram of the methodology of 1-D DWT.**

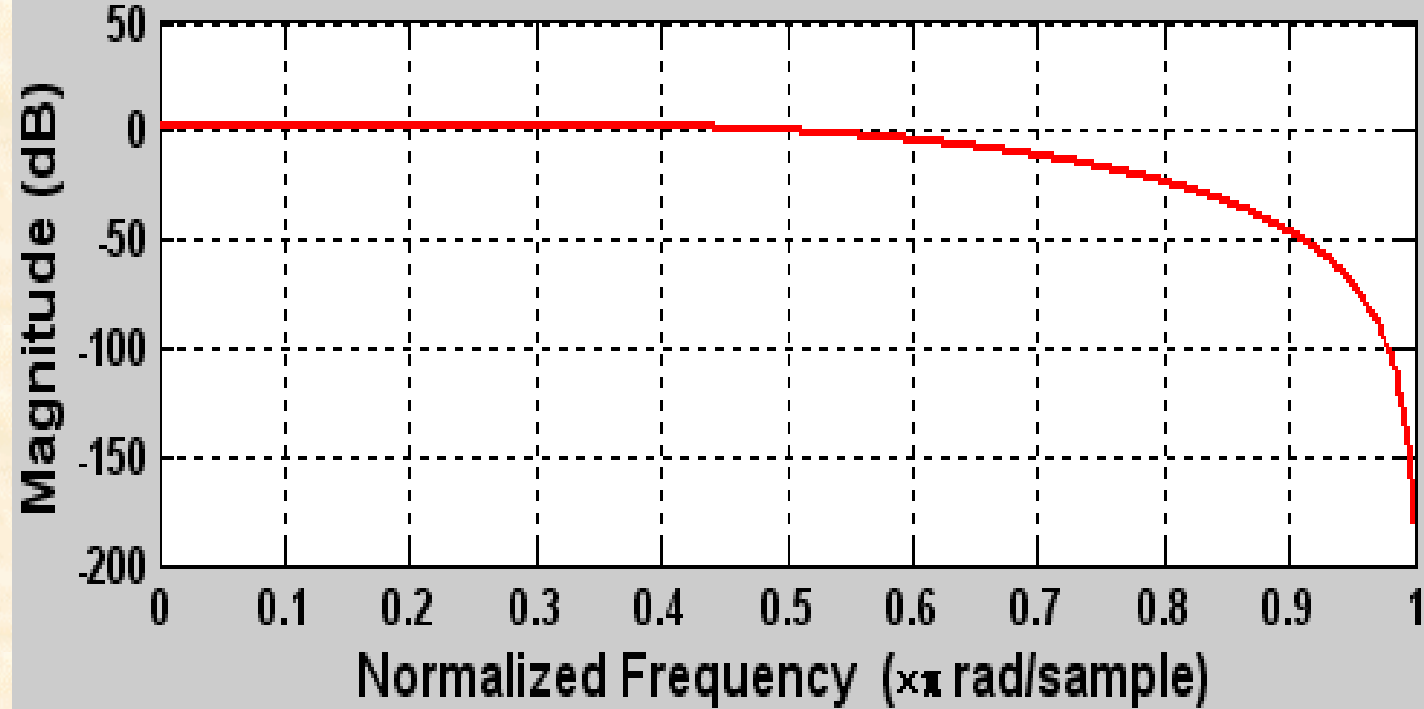


**Frequency responses (bandwidths) of the different output channels of the wavelet filter bank, for  $a = 2$  and three or more levels of decomposition**

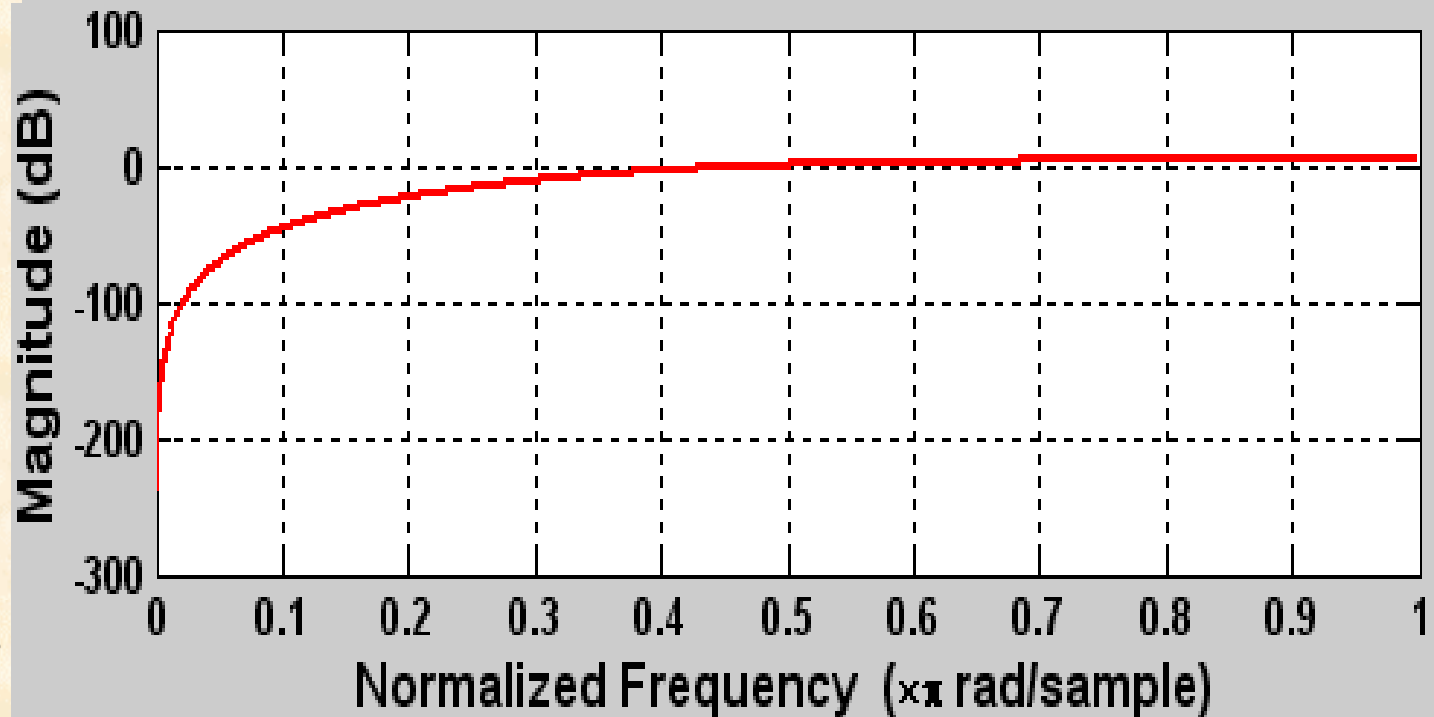


**Frequency  
Response  
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**Low-Pass**

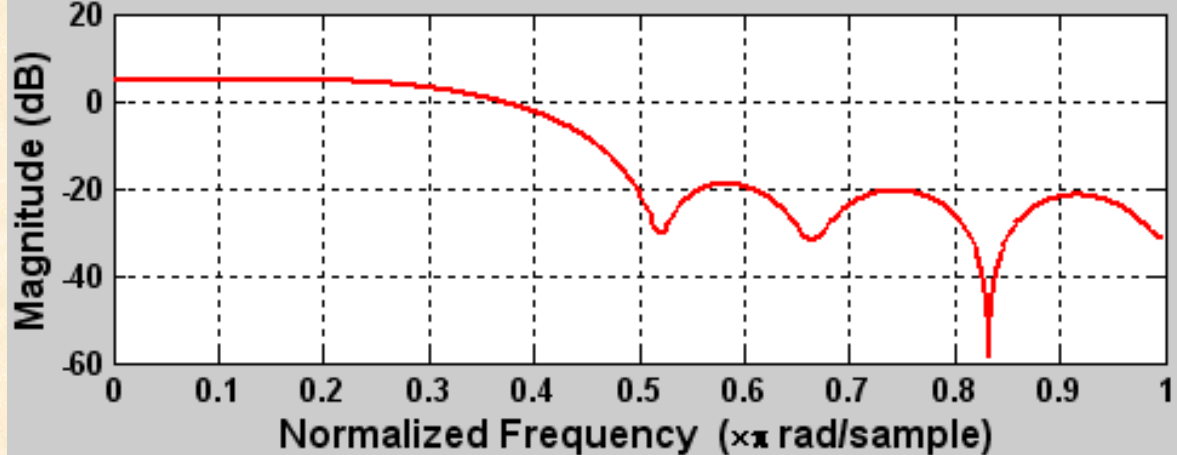


**High-Pass**

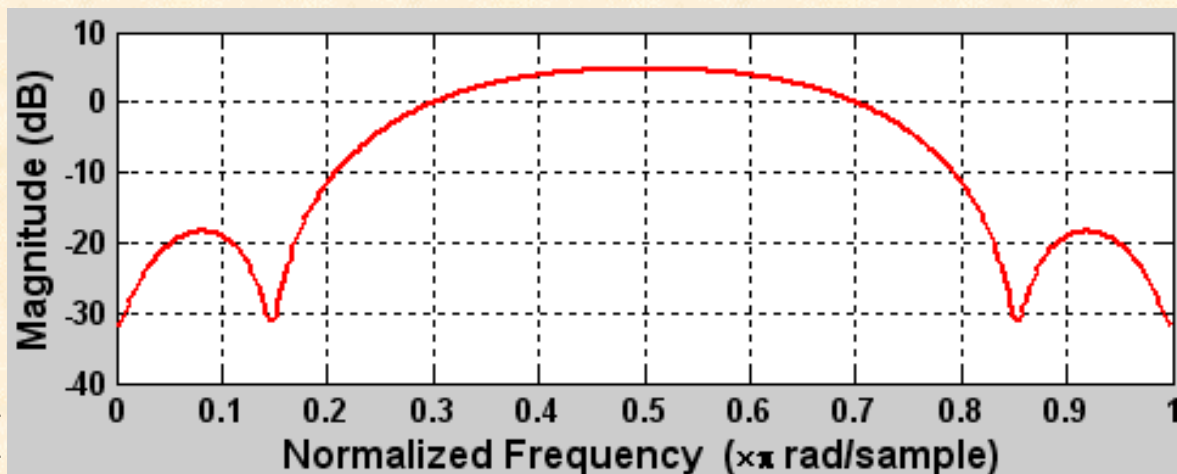


# Frequency Response of a 3-channel orthogonal wavelet filters.

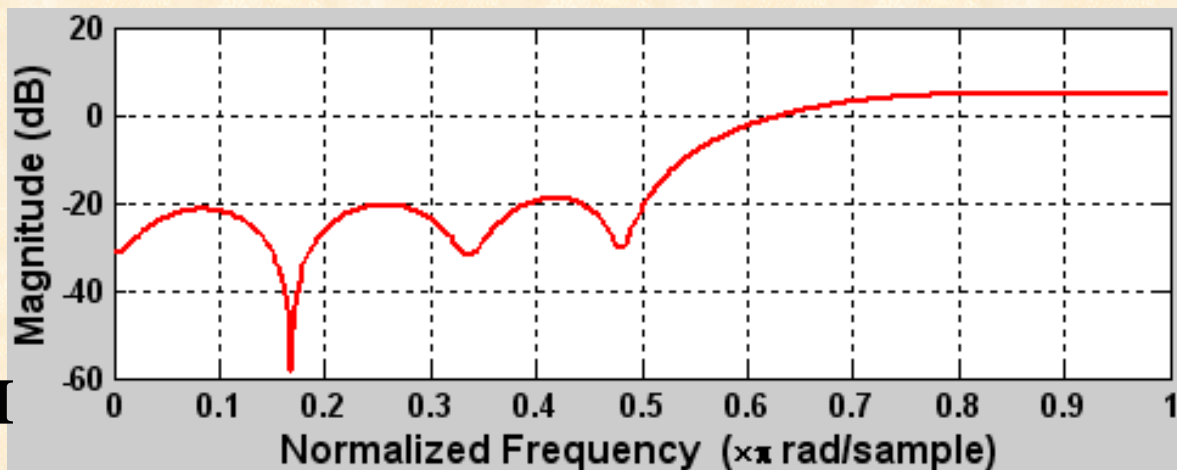
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Channel - II

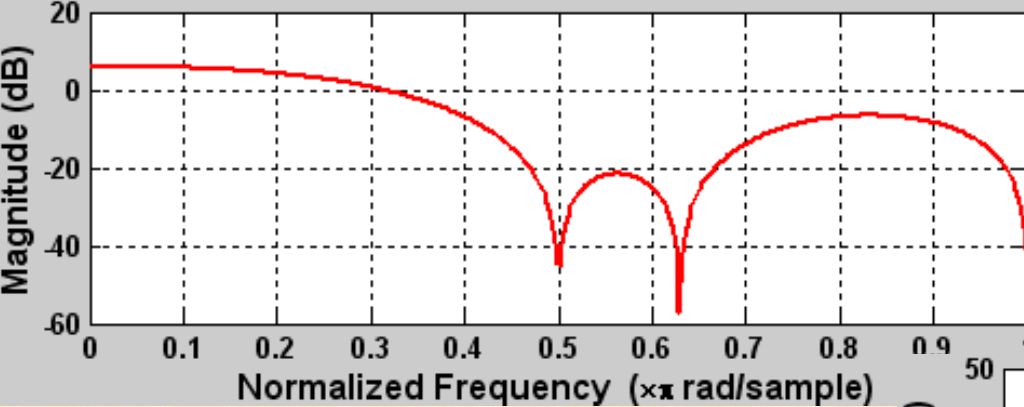


Channel - III

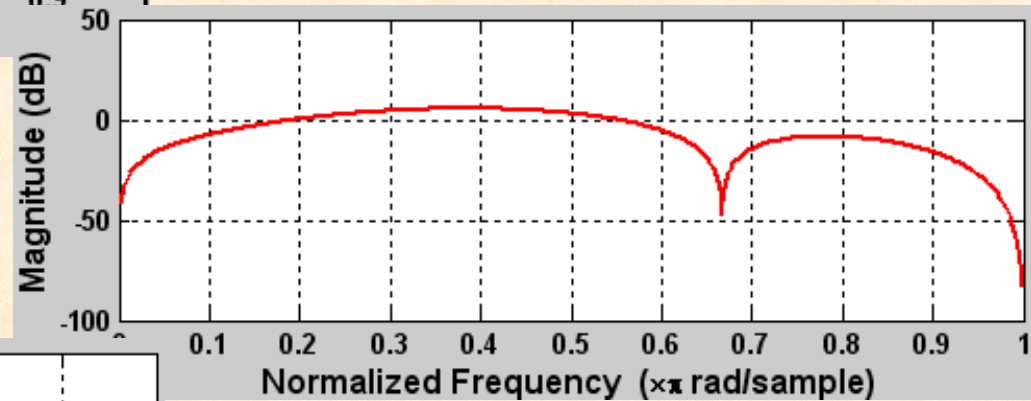




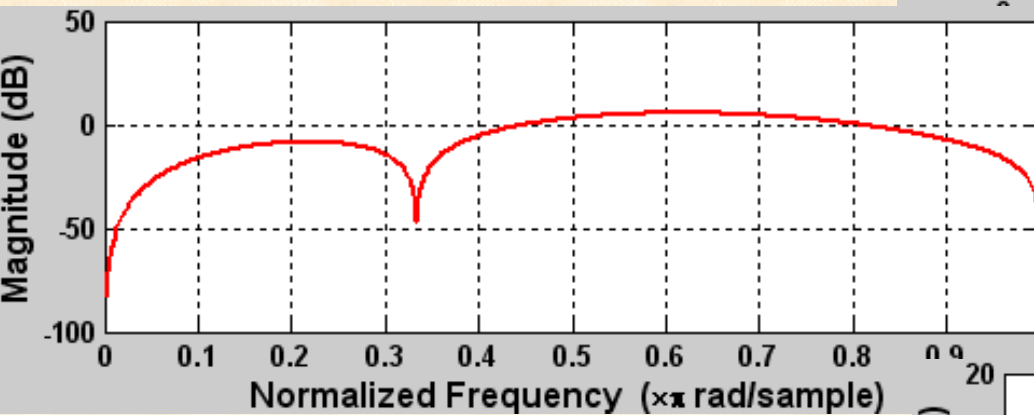
Frequency Response  
of a 4-channel  
orthogonal wavelet  
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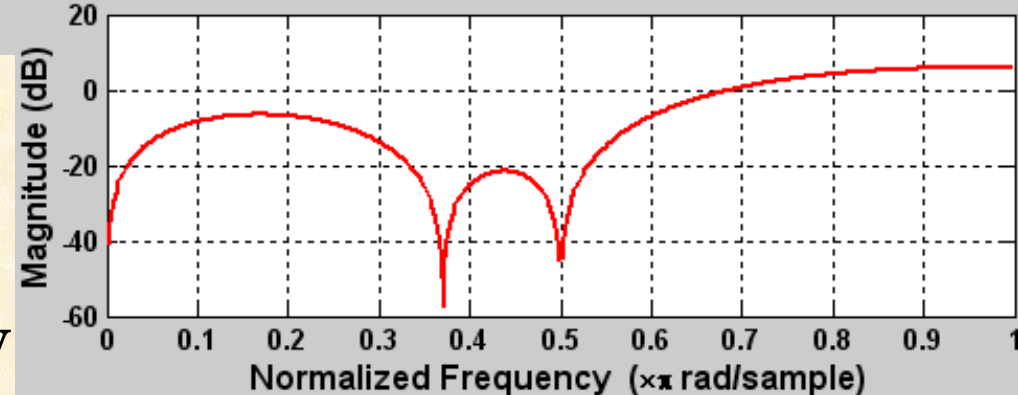
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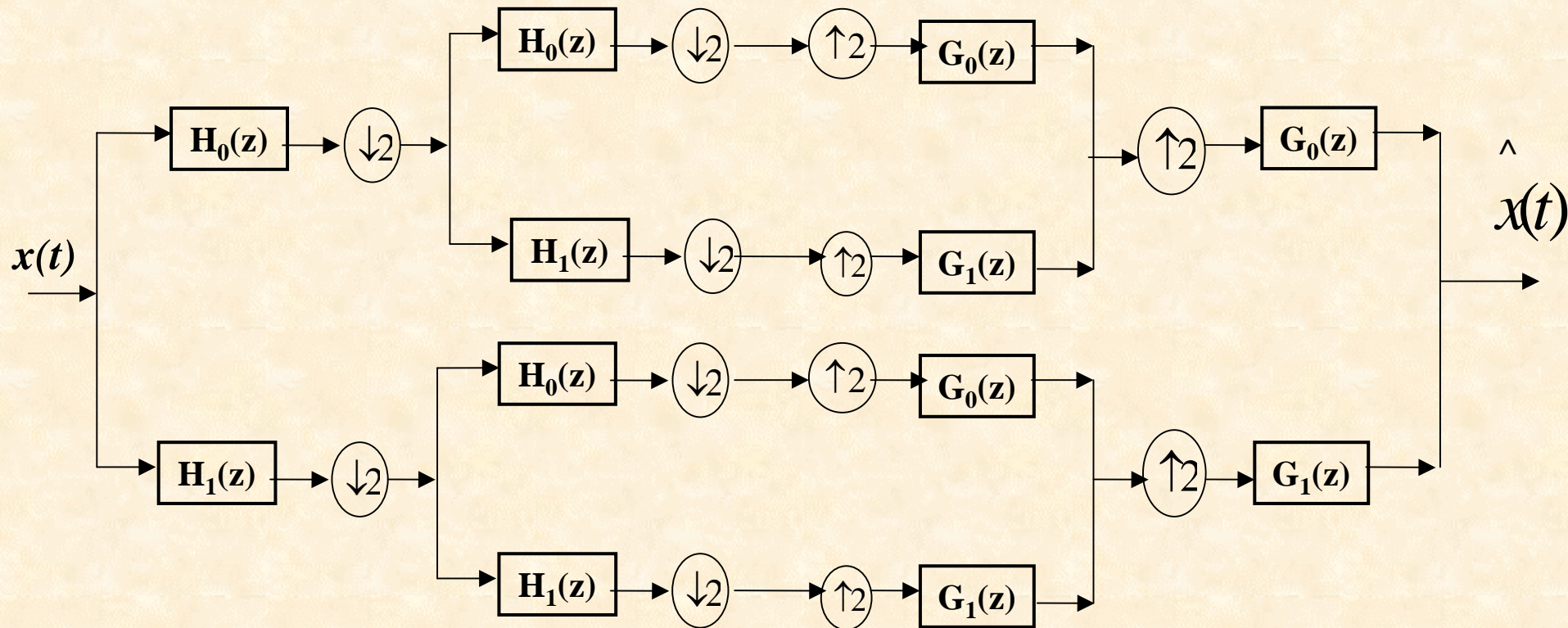


Channel - III



Channel - IV

# Two-level maximally decimated filter bank

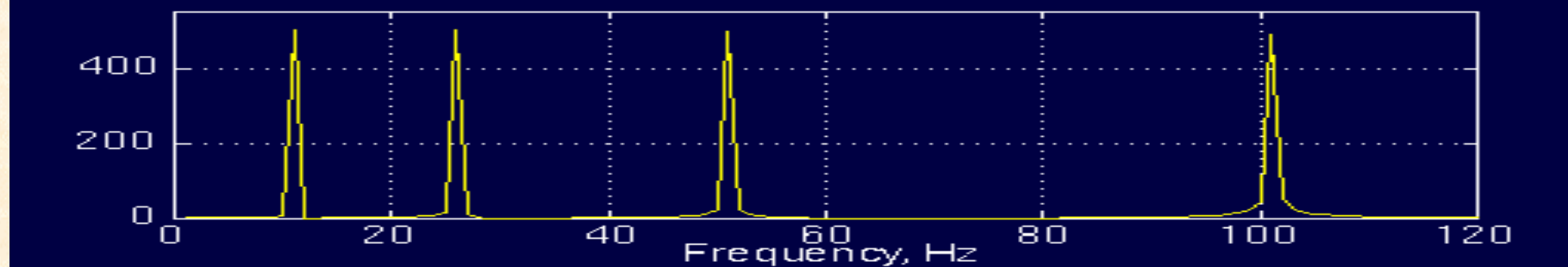
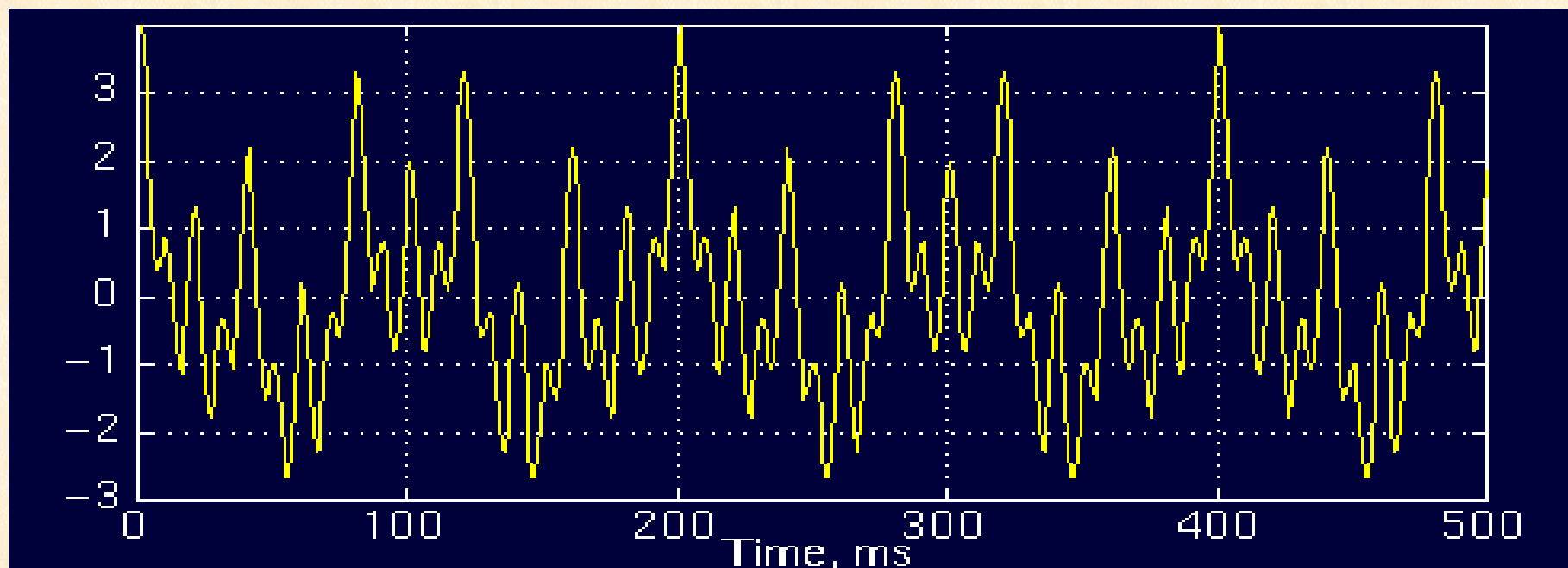


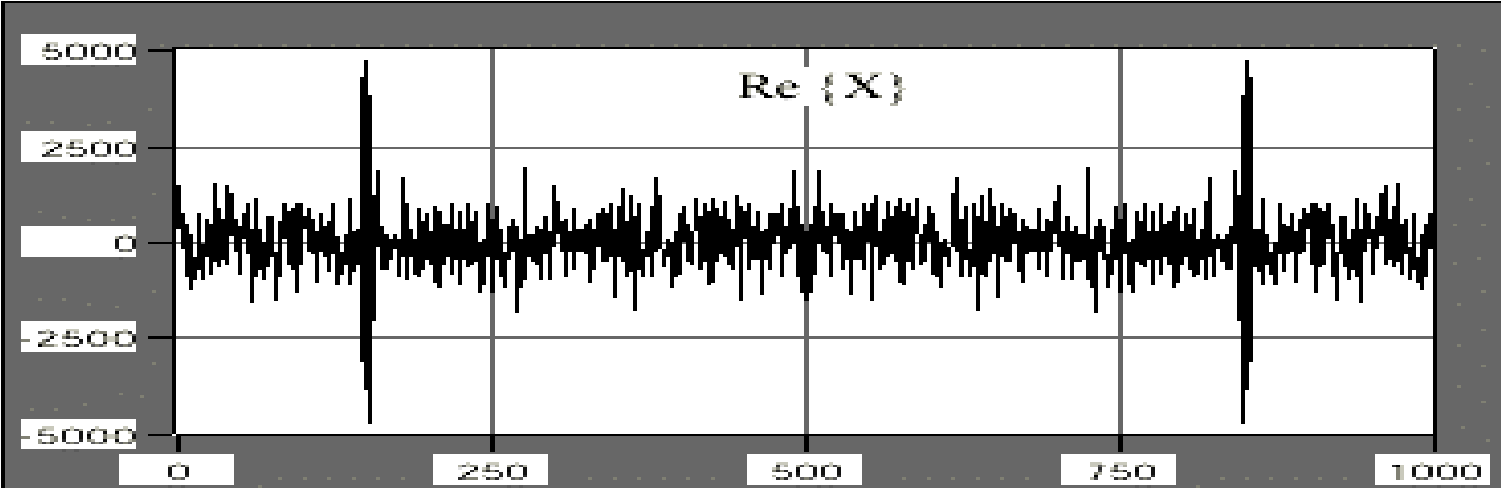
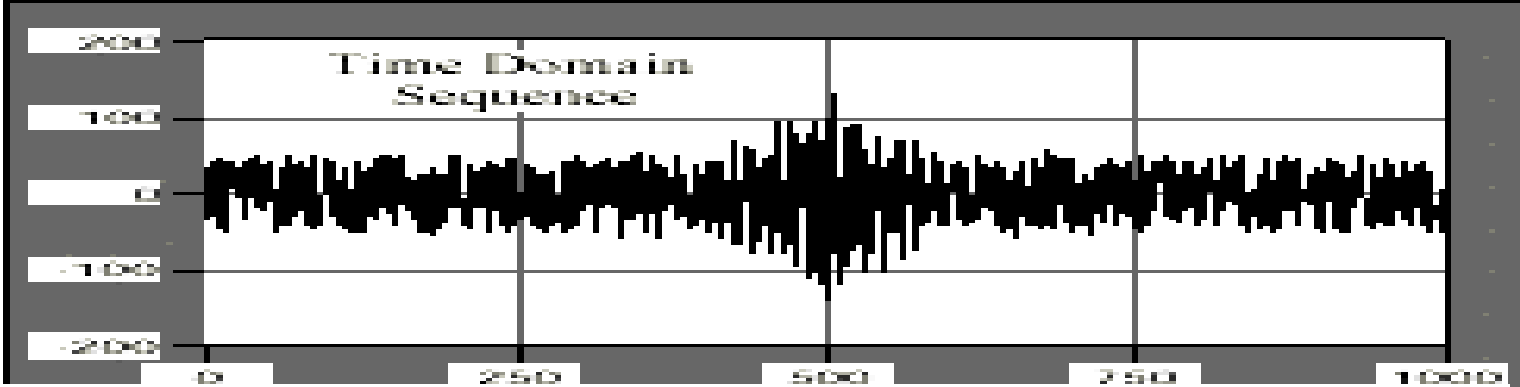
**Illustrations to demonstrate the  
difference between:**

**FT, STFT and WT**



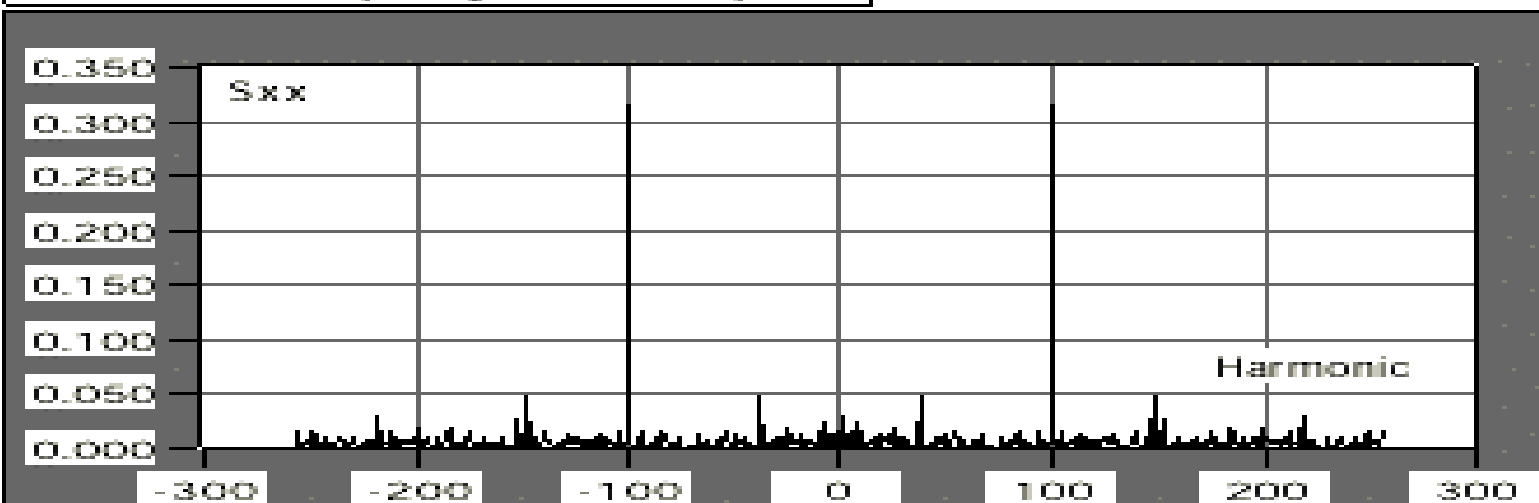
$$x(t) = \cos(2\pi 10t) + \cos(2\pi 25t) + \cos(2\pi 50t) + \cos(2\pi 100t)$$

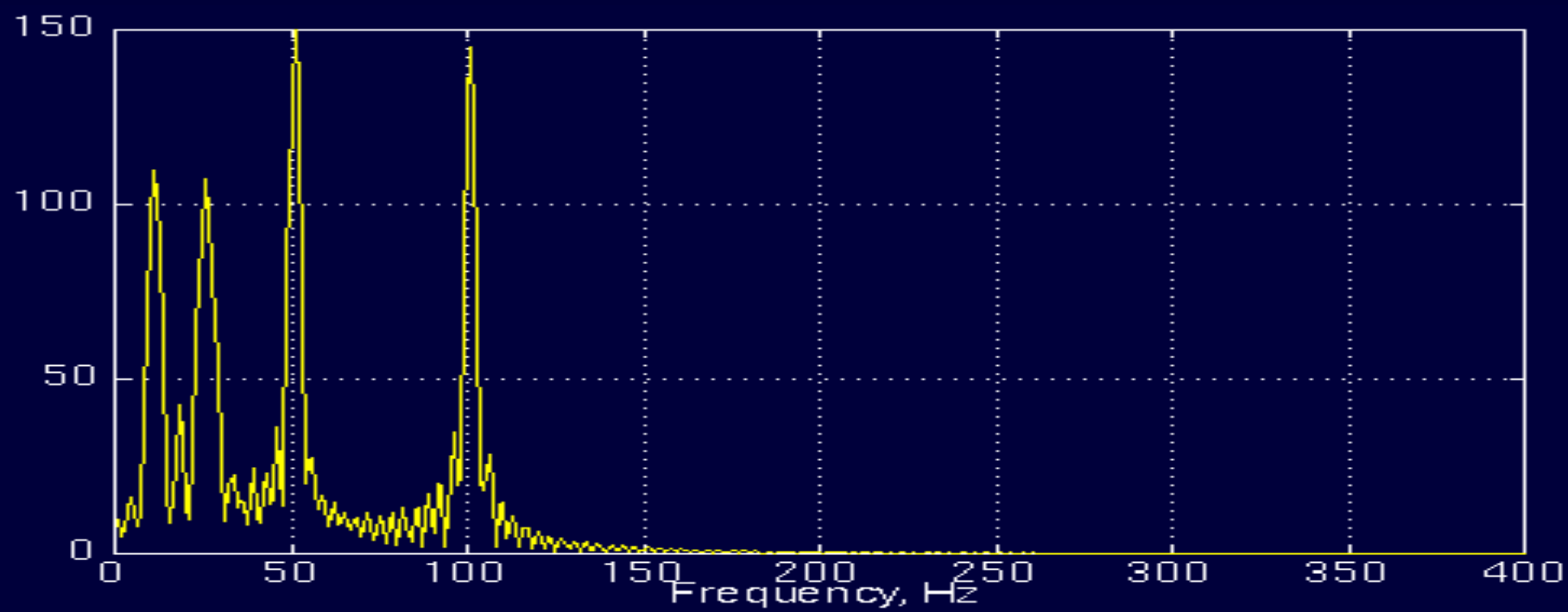
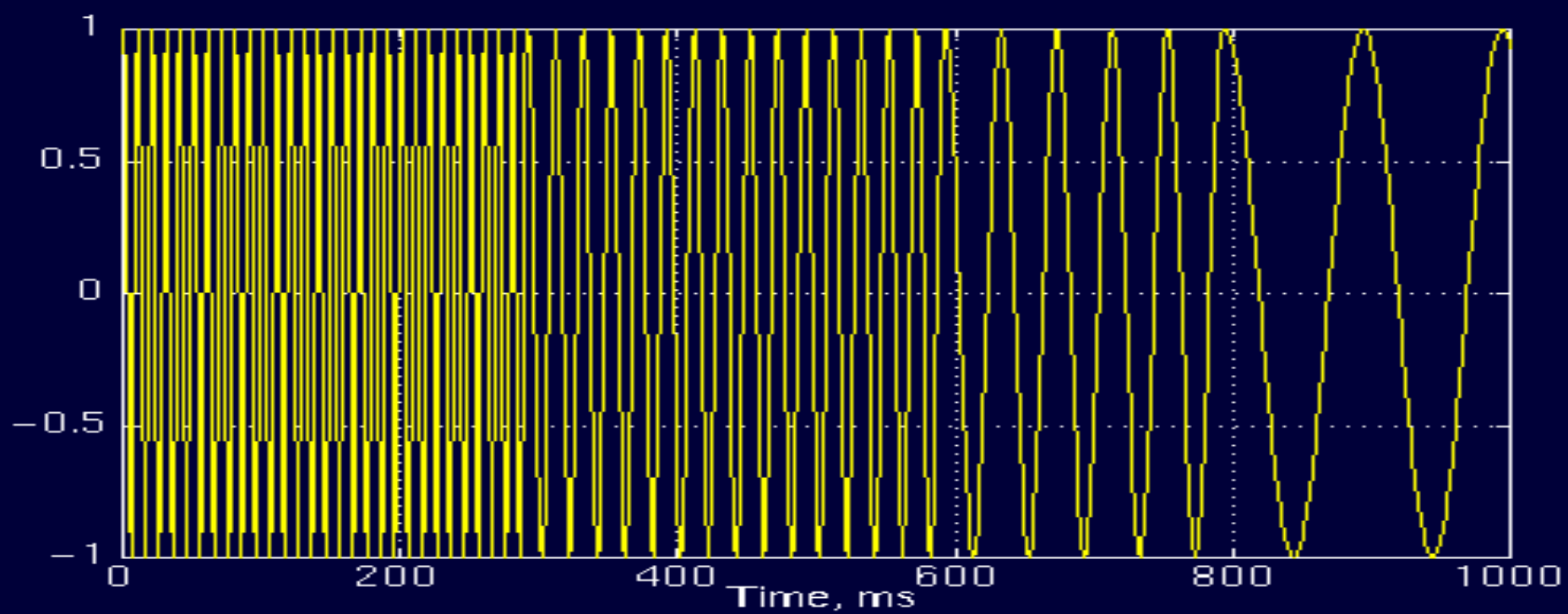




$$X_{n-i} = X_i,$$

DC Centered Frequency Domain Sequence







Note that the FT gives what frequency components (spectral components) exist in the signal. Nothing more, nothing less.

When the time localization of the spectral components are needed, a transform giving the TIME-FREQUENCY REPRESENTATION of the signal is needed.

What is Wavelet Transform and how does it solve the problem?

View WT as a plot on a 3-D graph, where time is one axis, frequency the second and amplitude is the third axis.

This will show us what frequencies,  $f$ , exist at which time,  $T$ .

There is an issue, called "uncertainty principle", which states that, we cannot exactly know what frequency exists at what time instance, but we can only know what frequency bands exist at what time intervals.

The uncertainty principle, originally found and formulated by Heisenberg, states that, the momentum and the position of a moving particle cannot be known simultaneously. This applies to our subject as follows:

The frequency and time information of a signal at some certain point in the time-frequency plane cannot be known.

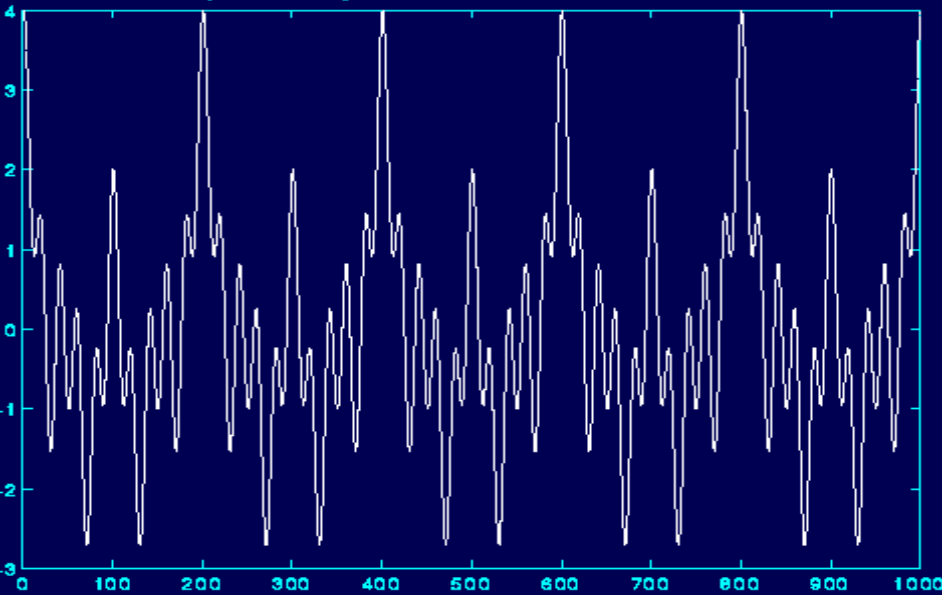
In other words: We cannot know what spectral component exists at any given time instant. The best we can do is to investigate what spectral components exist at any given interval of time.

This is a problem of resolution, and it is the main reason why researchers have switched from STFT to WT.

STFT gives a fixed resolution at all times, whereas WT gives a variable (or suitable) resolution as follows:  
Higher frequencies are better resolved in time, and lower frequencies are better resolved in frequency.

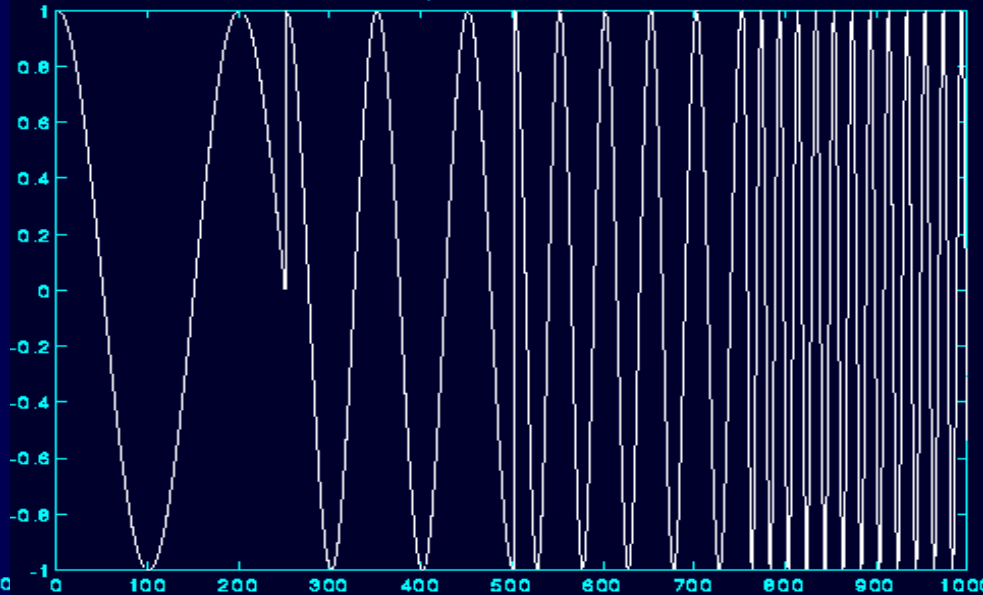
This means that, a certain high frequency component can be located better in time (with less relative error) than a low frequency component. On the contrary, a low frequency component can be located better in frequency compared to high frequency component

Sample cosine signal with 5, 10, 20, and 50 Hz. at all times



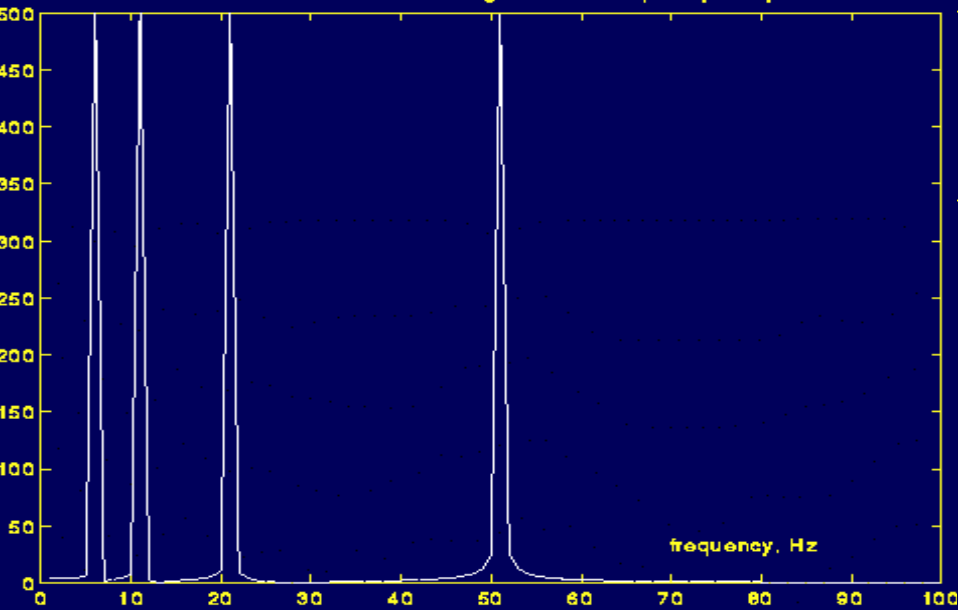
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Same frequencies at different times



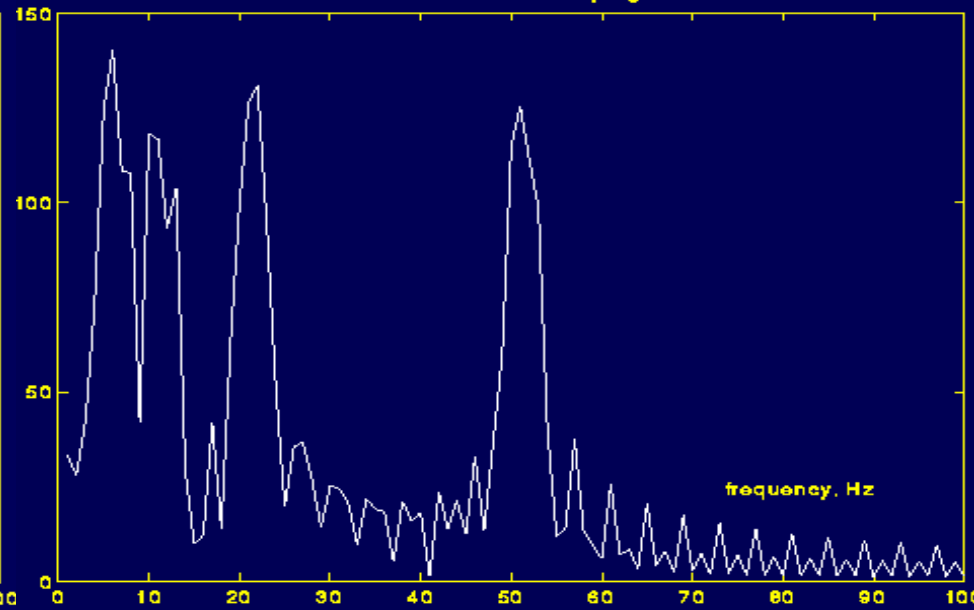
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Fourier transform of the cosine signal with 4 frequency components



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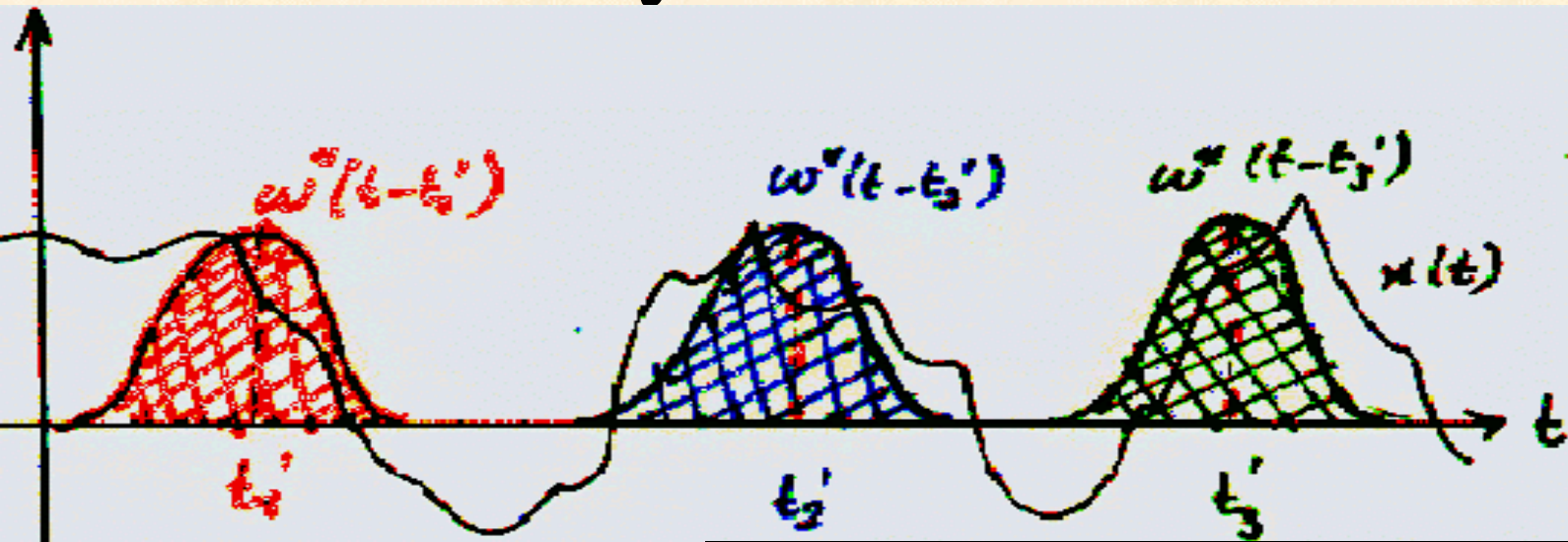
FT of the non-stationary signal



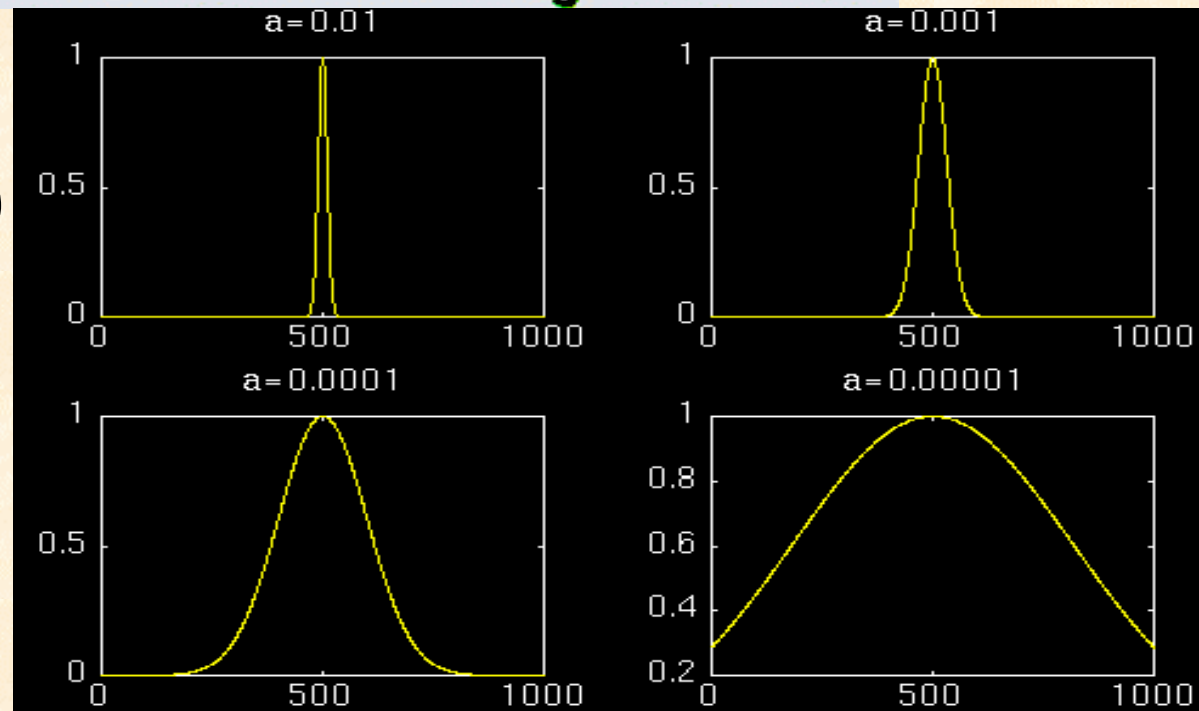
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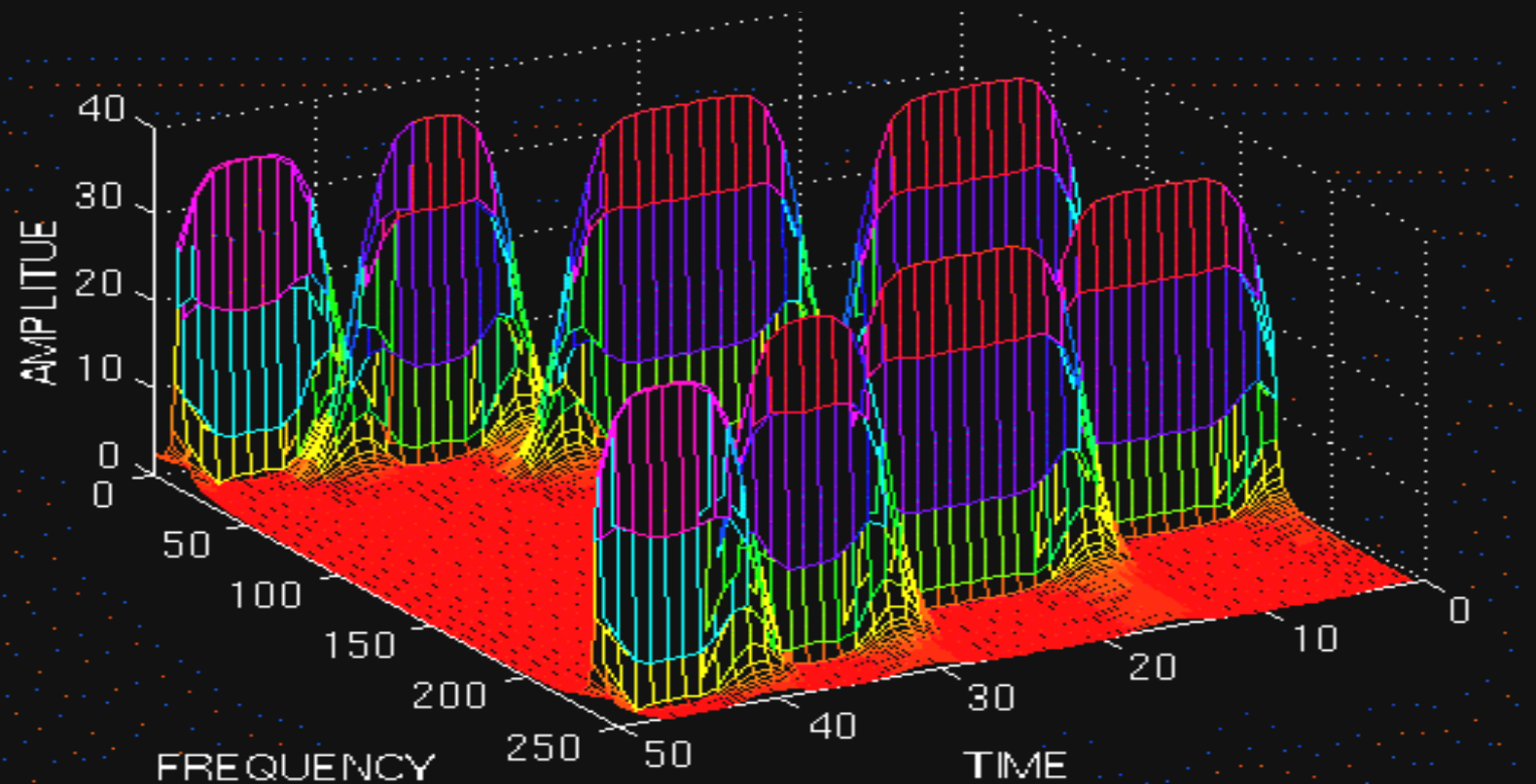
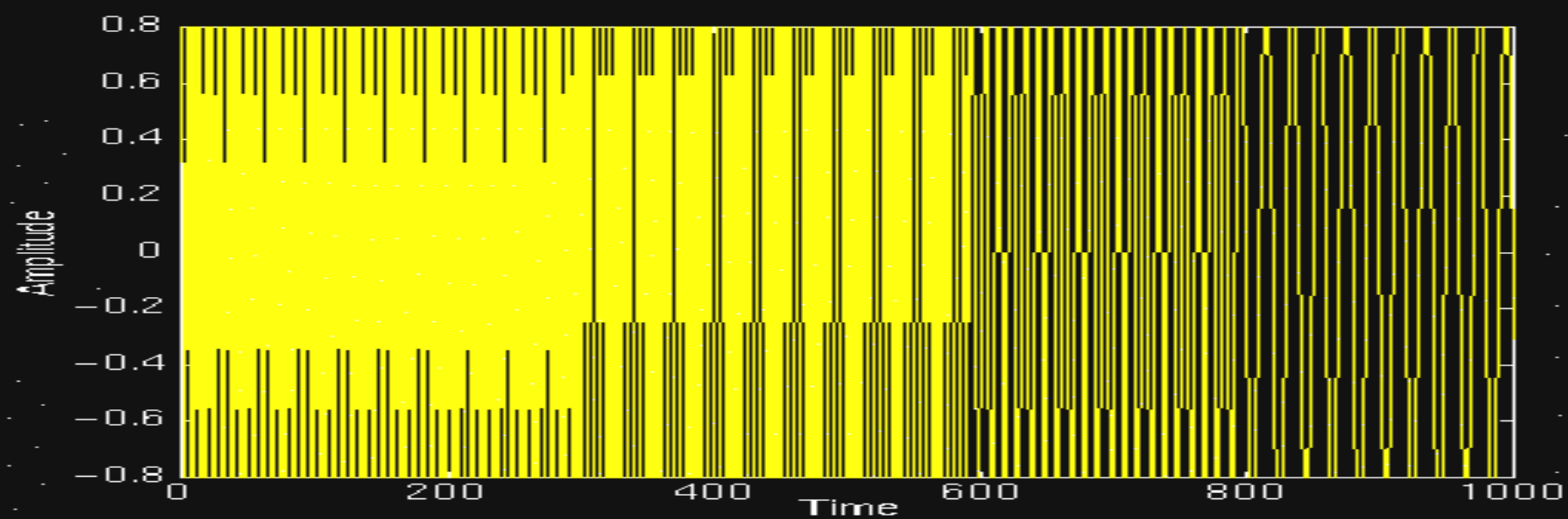


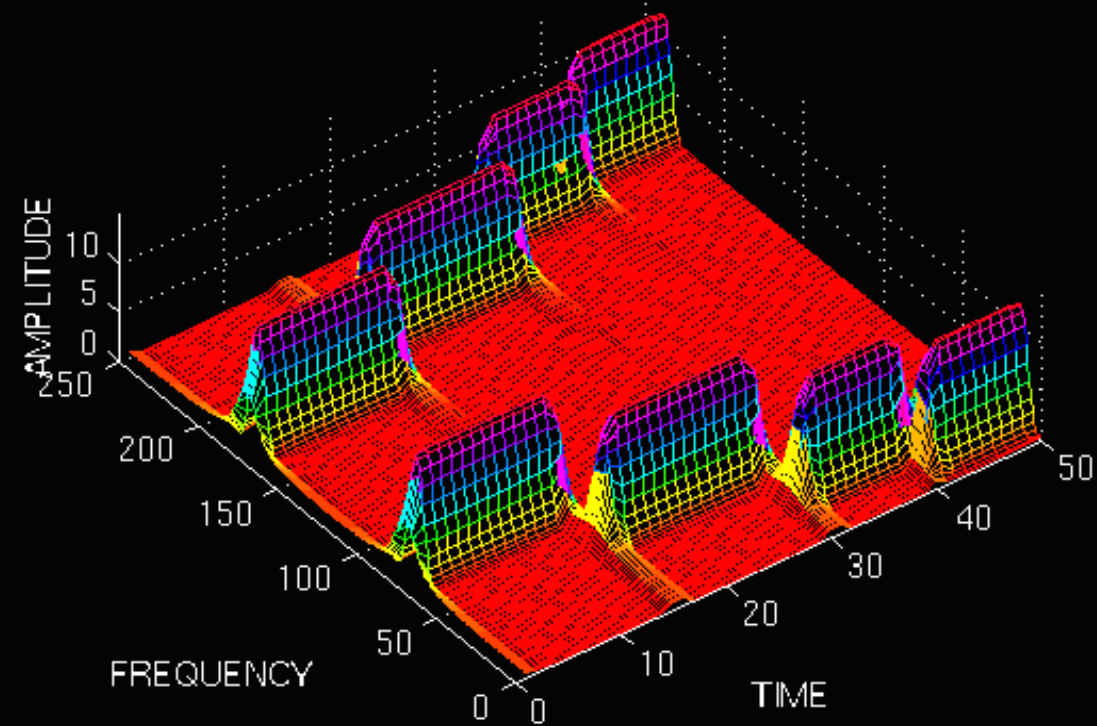
$$STFT_x^\omega(t, f) = \int [x(t) \cdot \omega(t - t')] \exp(-j2\pi f t) dt$$



$$w(t) = \exp\left(\frac{-a * t^2}{2}\right)$$

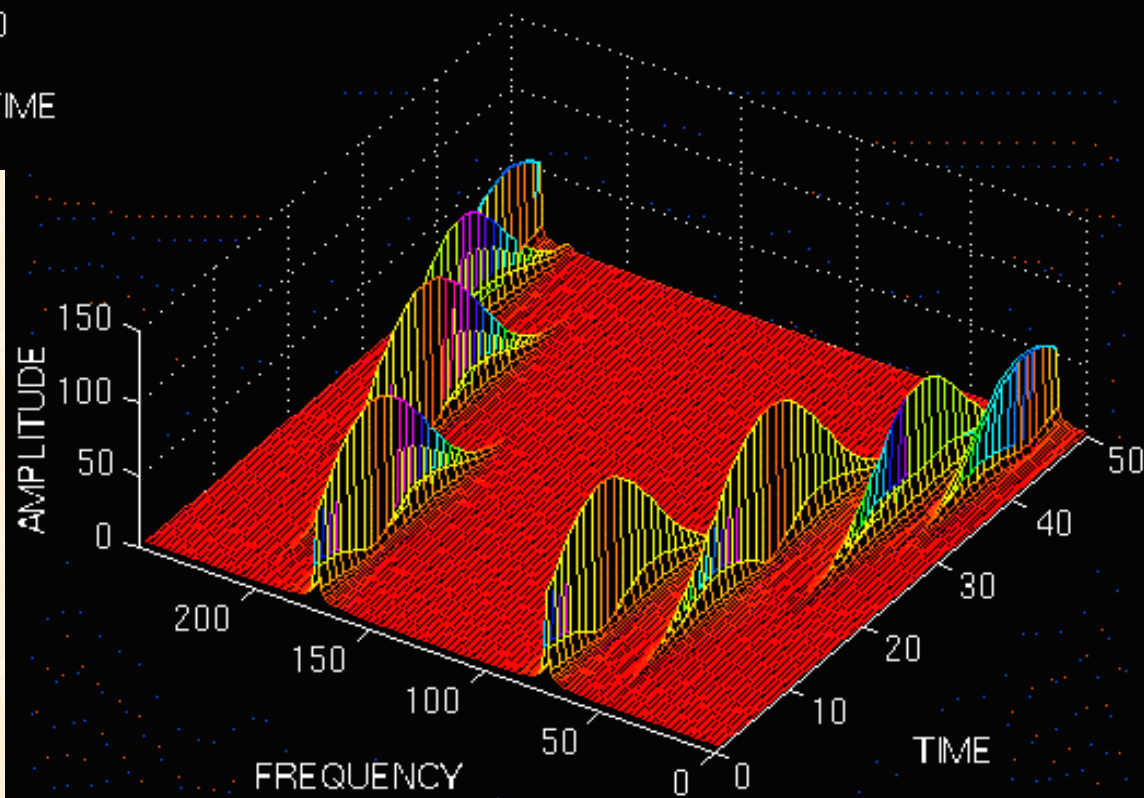




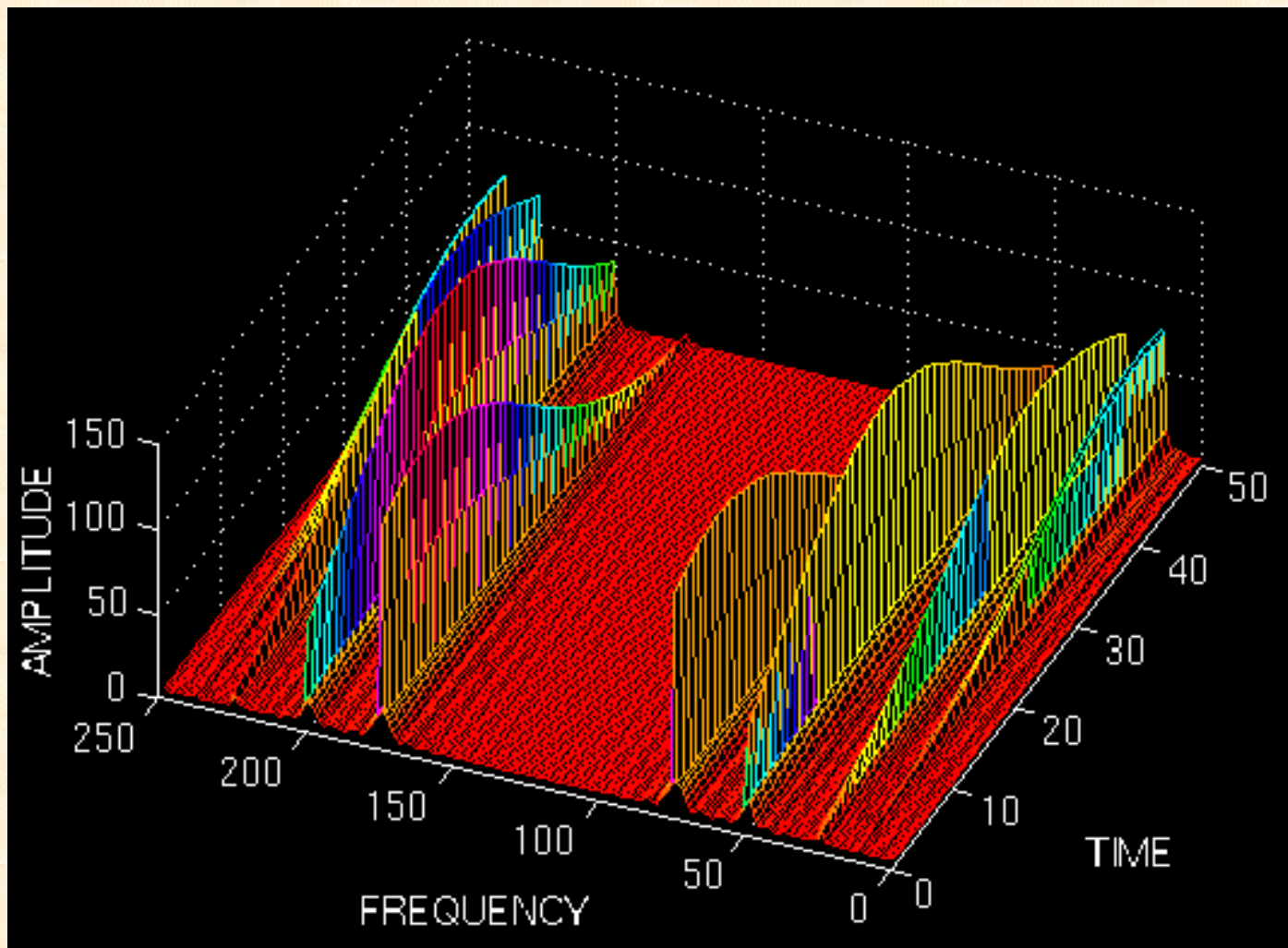


**Narrow Window,  $w$**

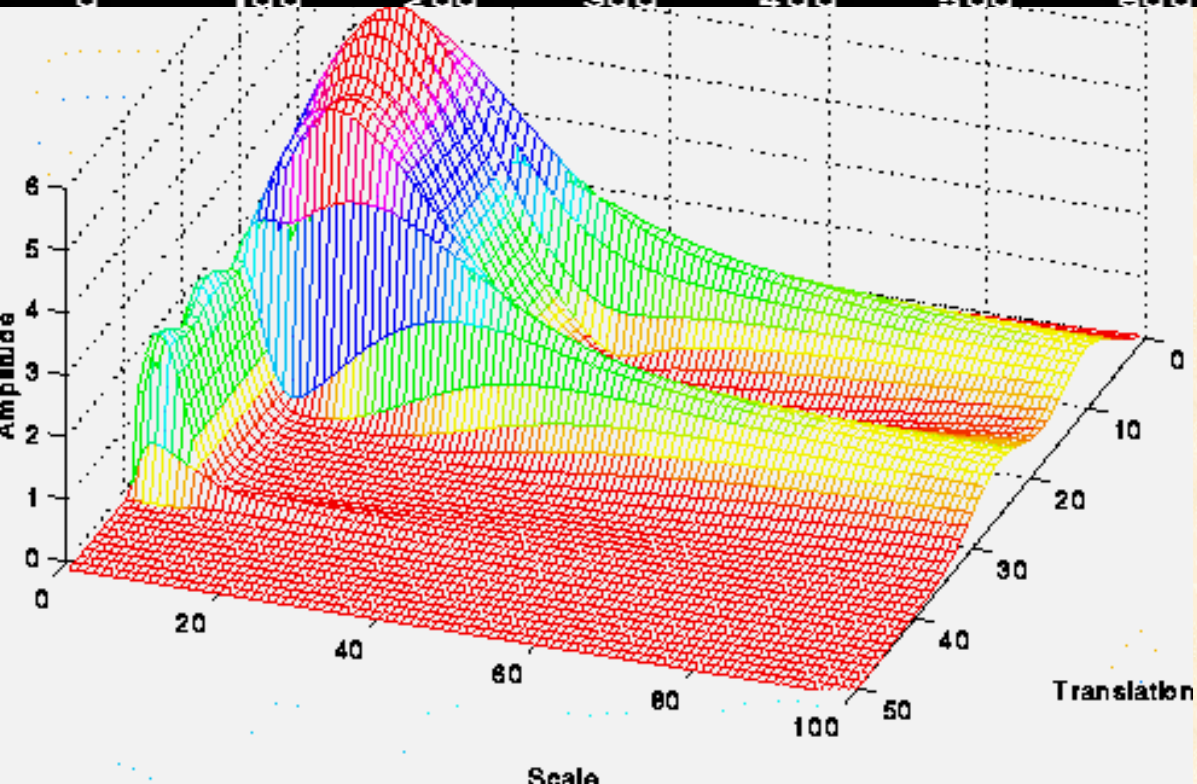
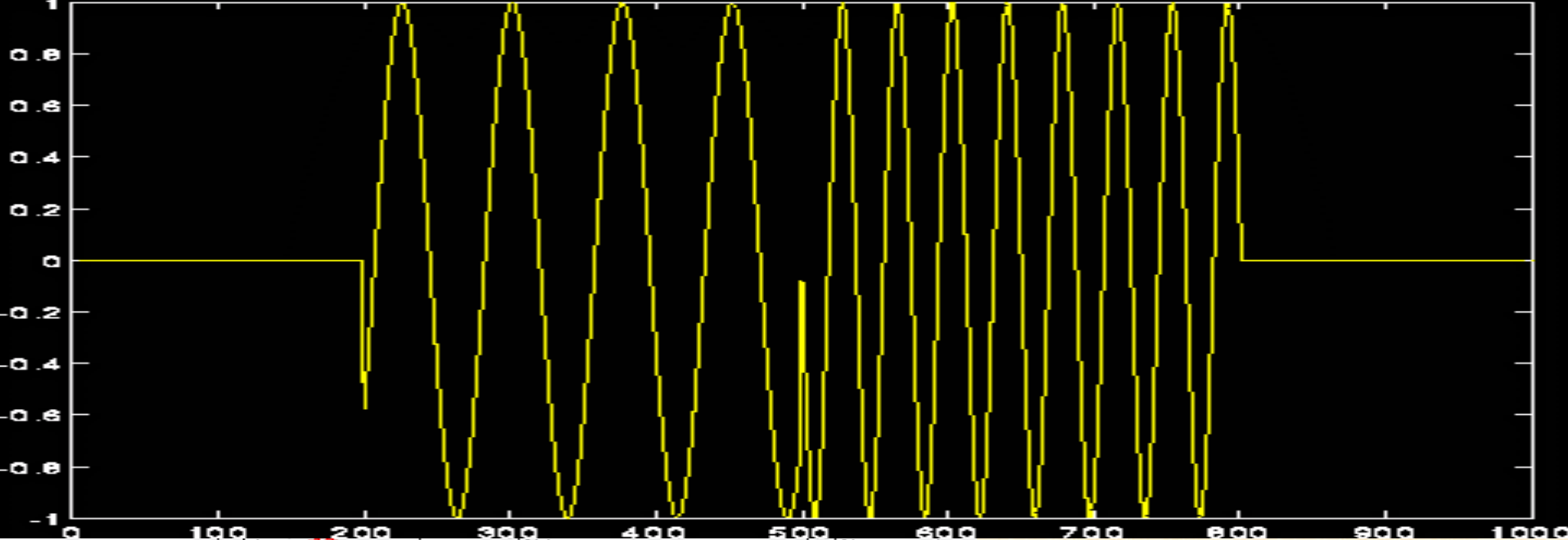
**Broader Window,  $w$**

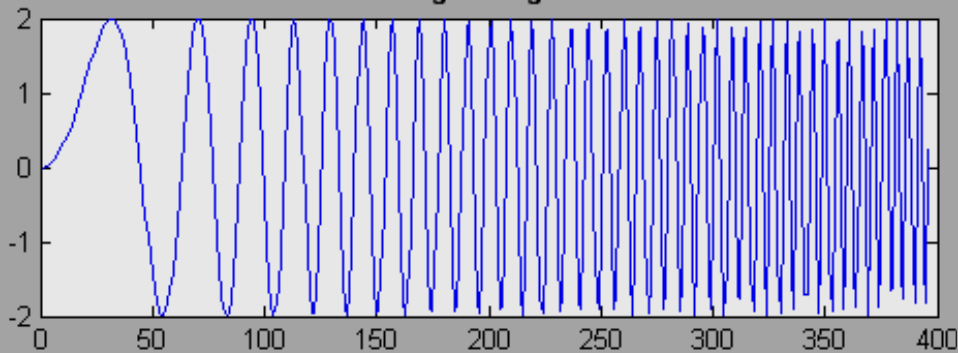
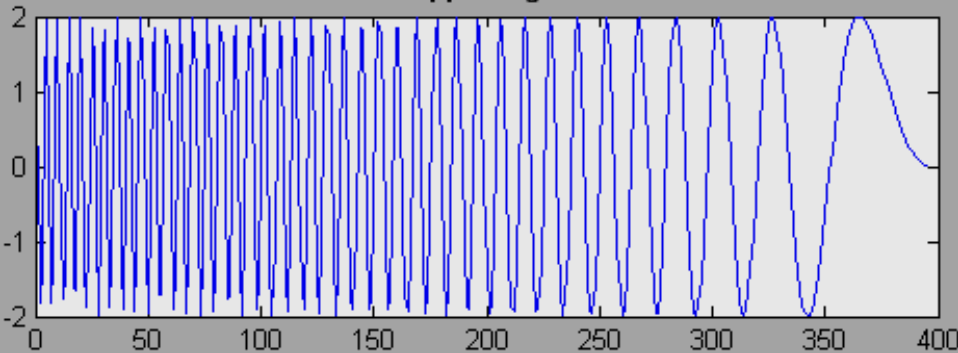
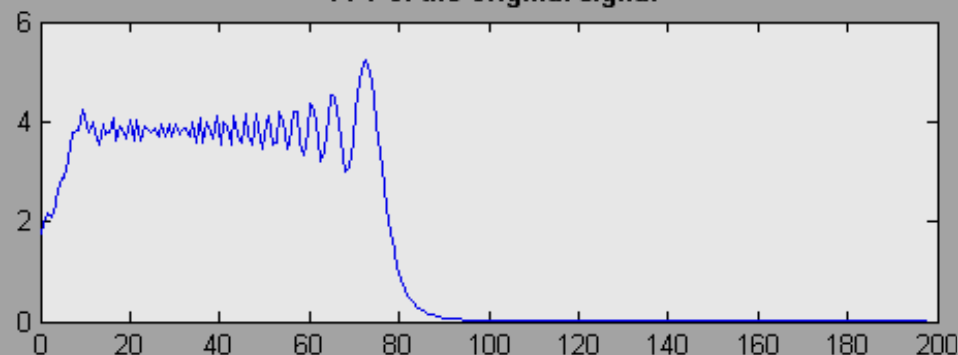
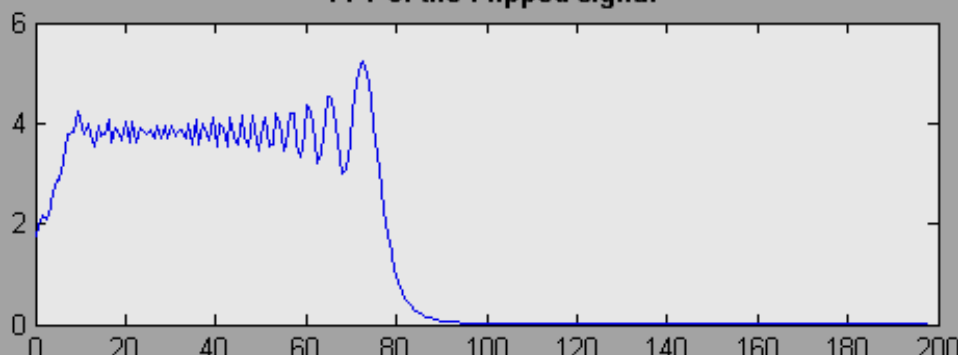
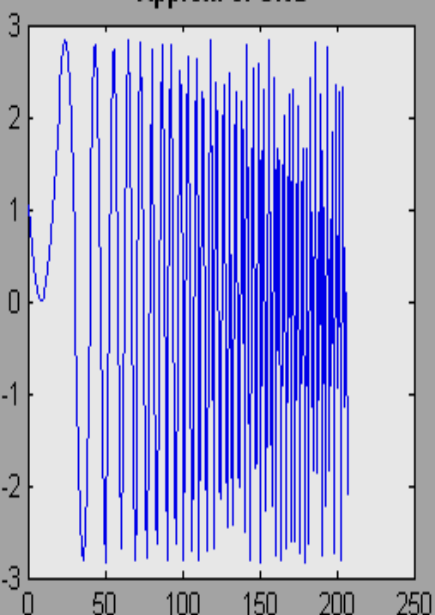
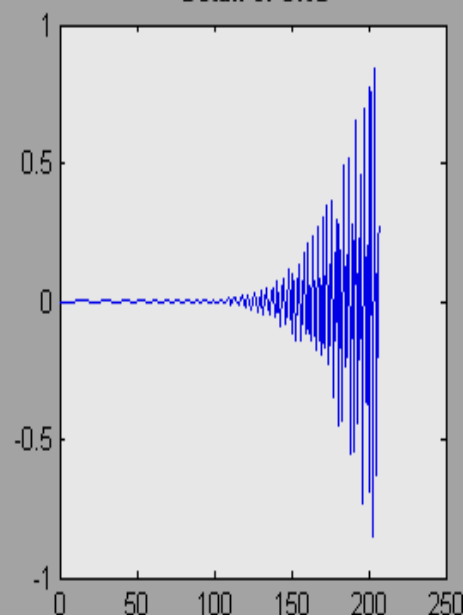
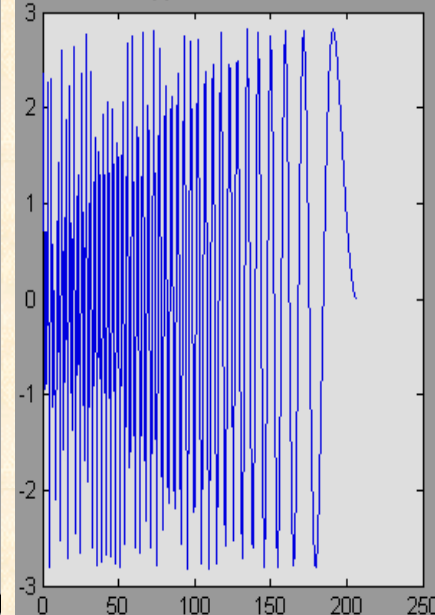
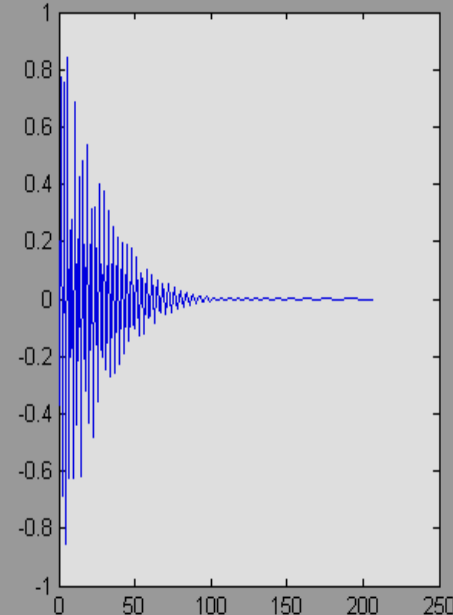




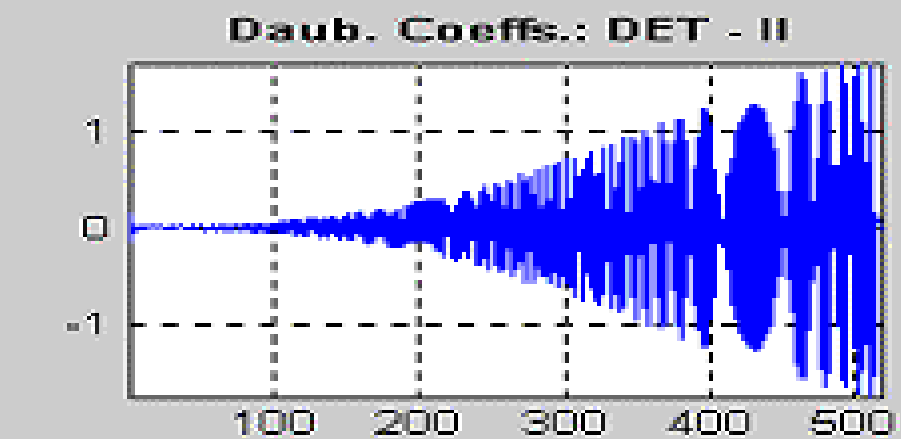
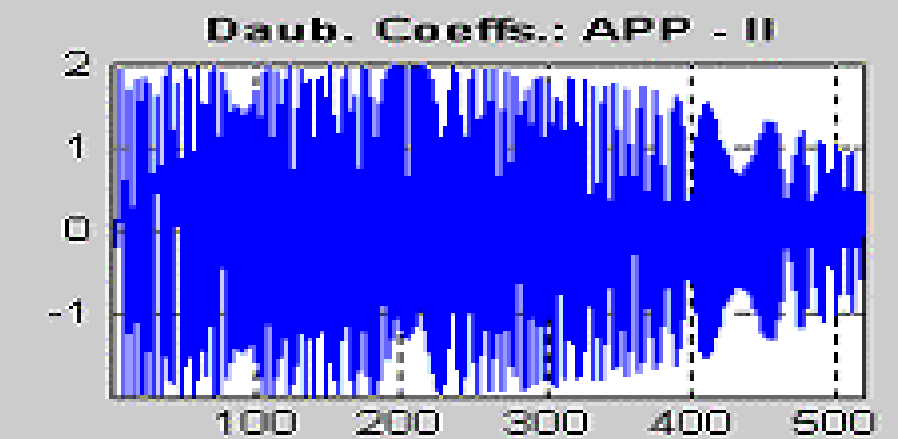
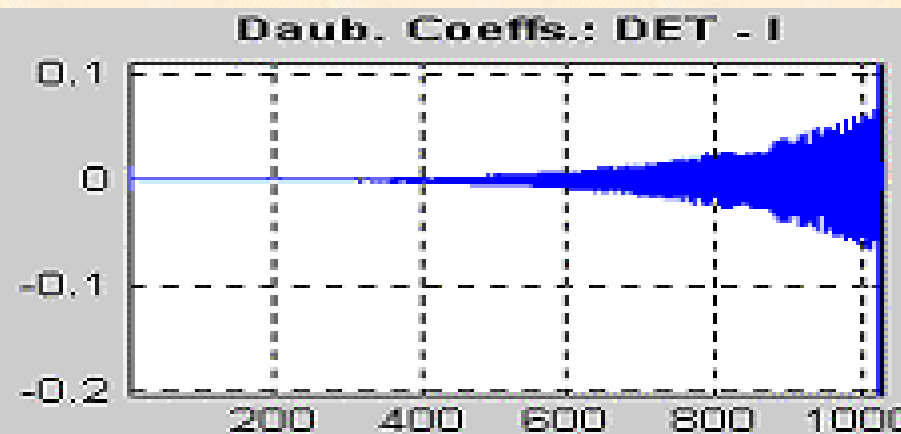
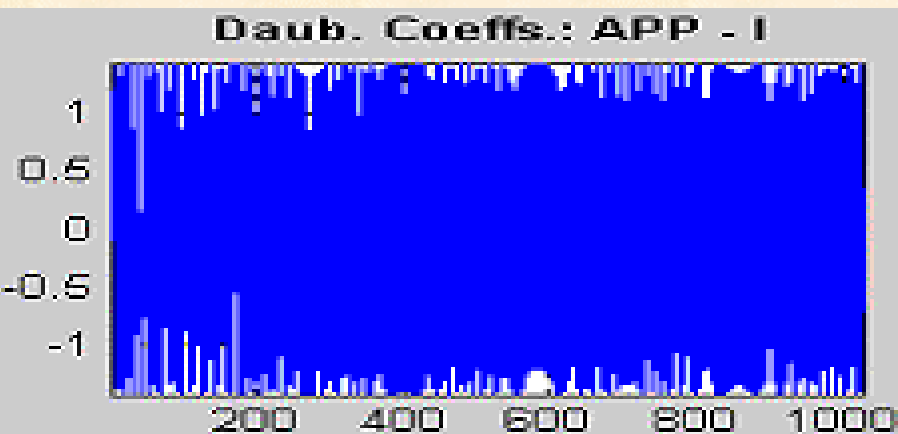
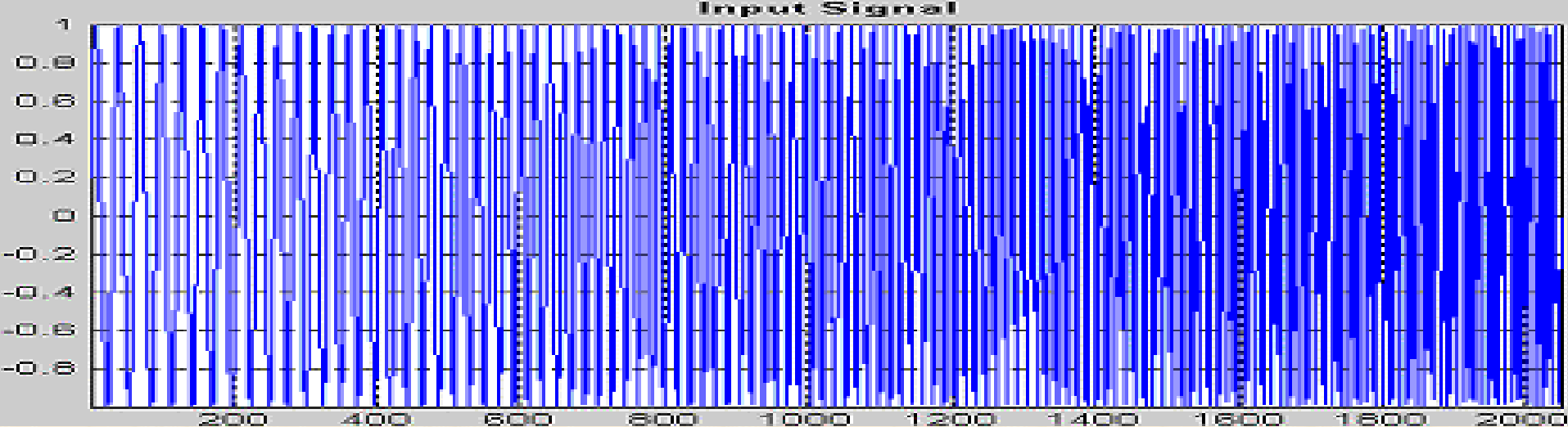


**Still larger window,  $w$**

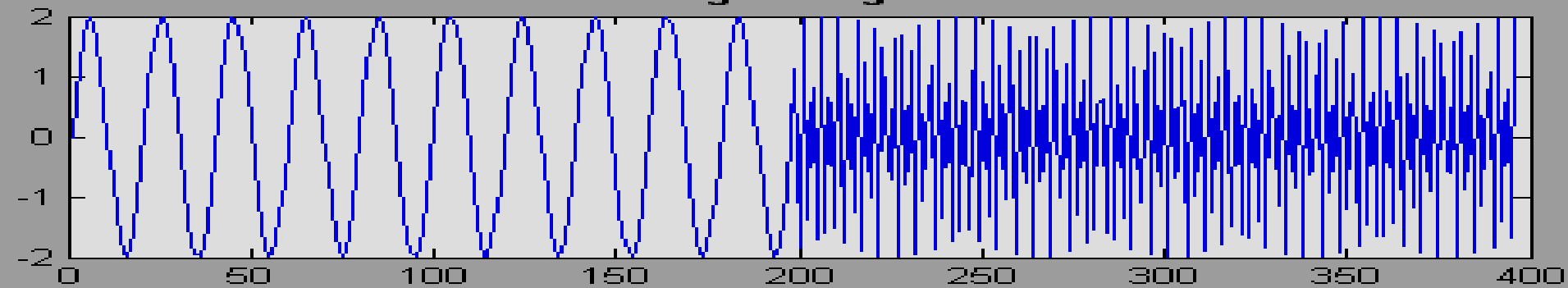


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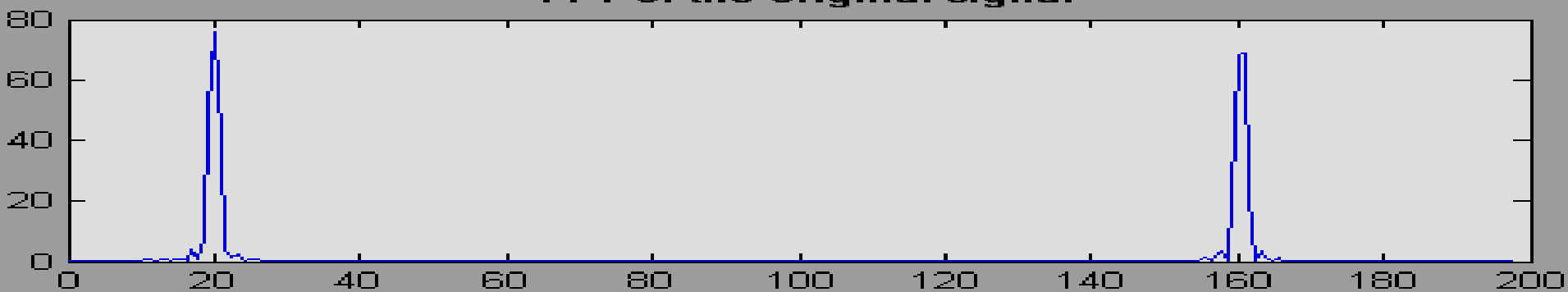




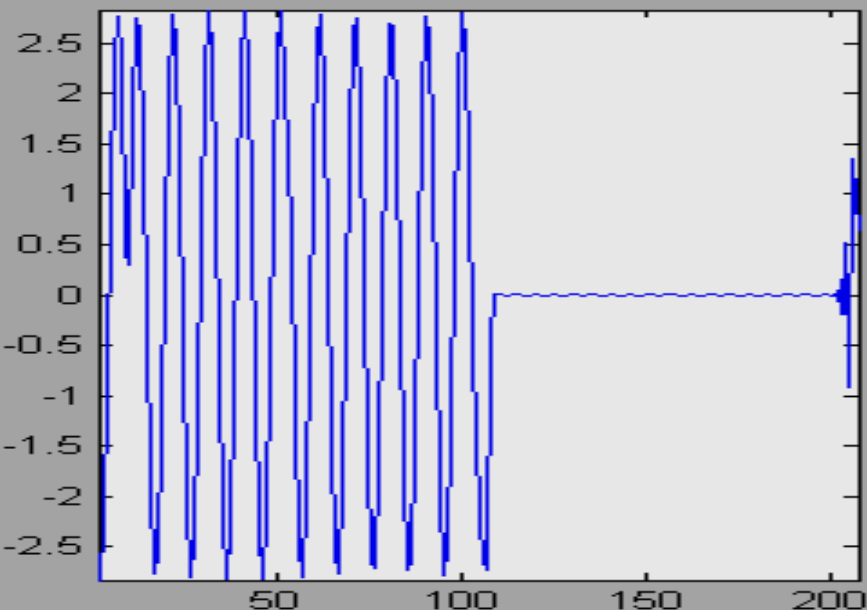
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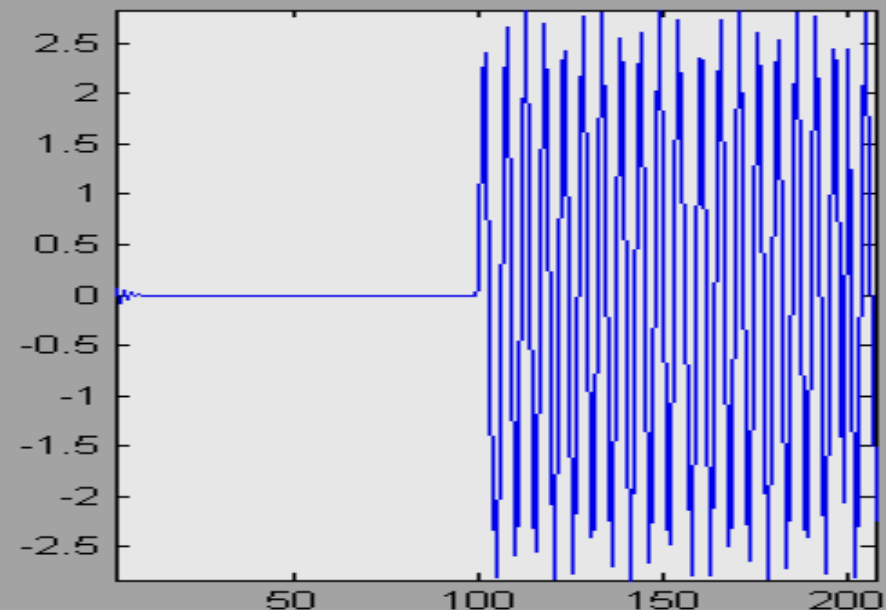
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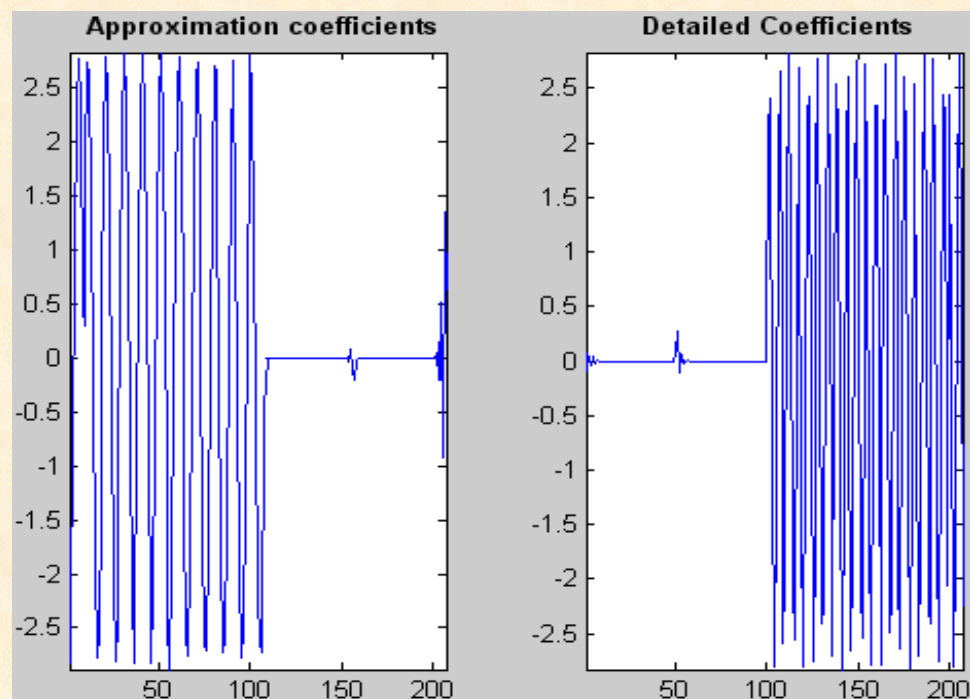
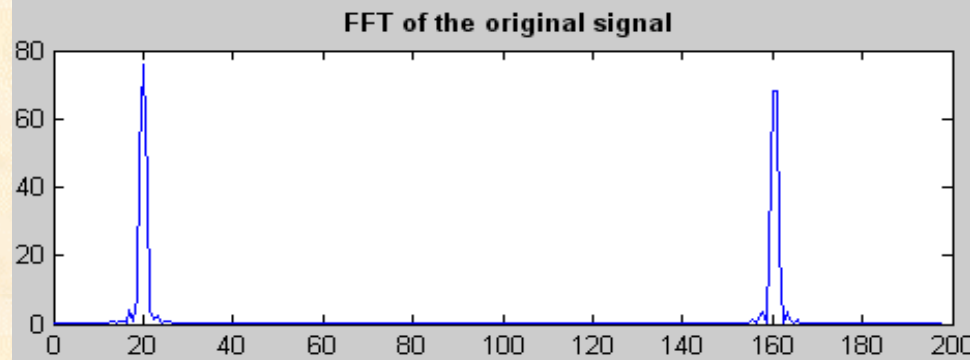
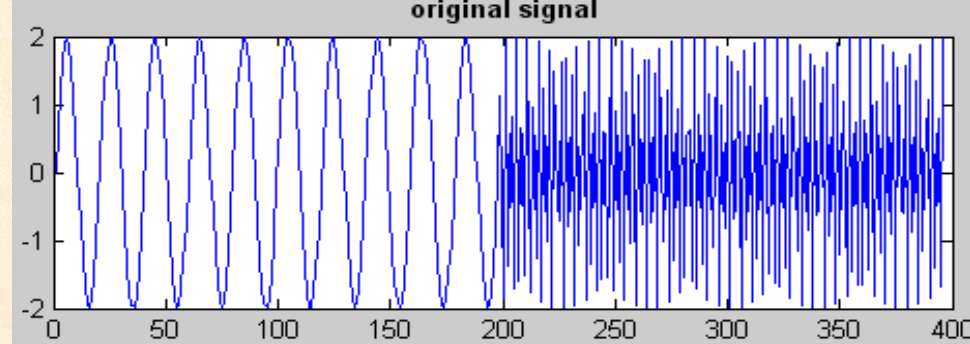
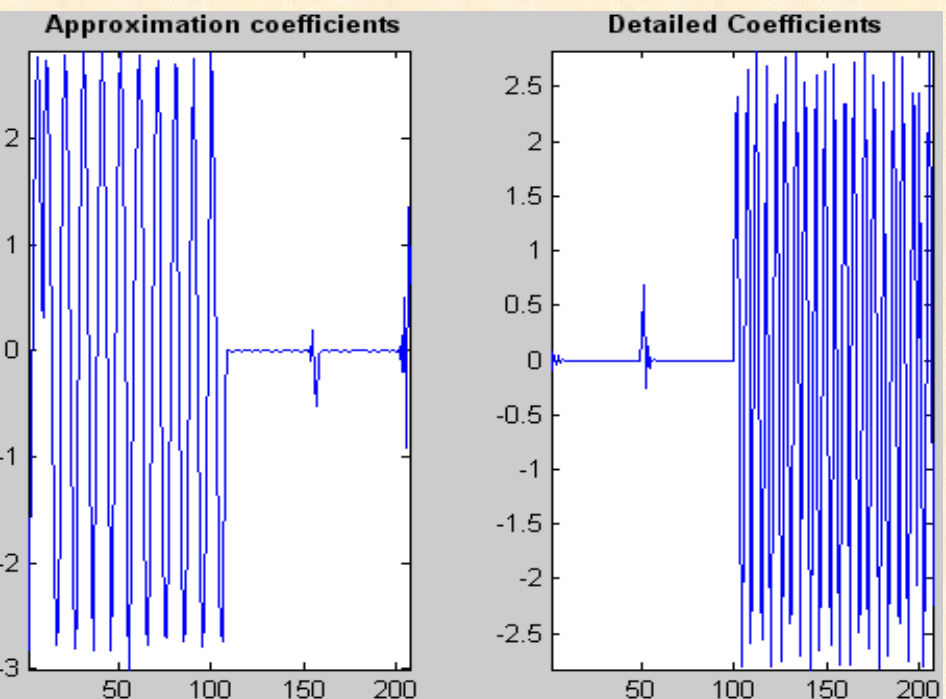
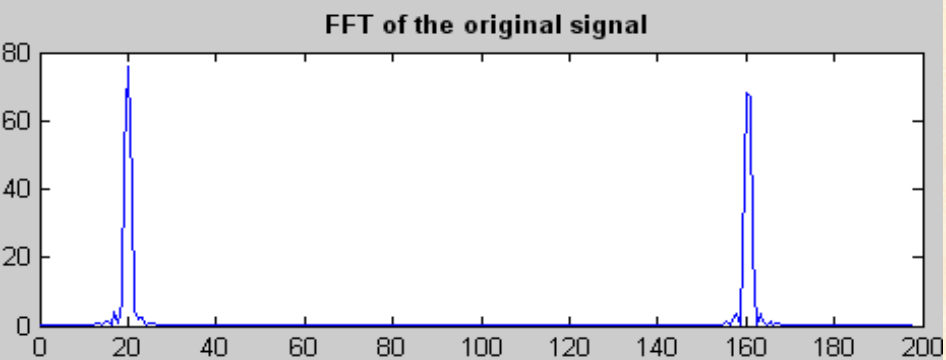
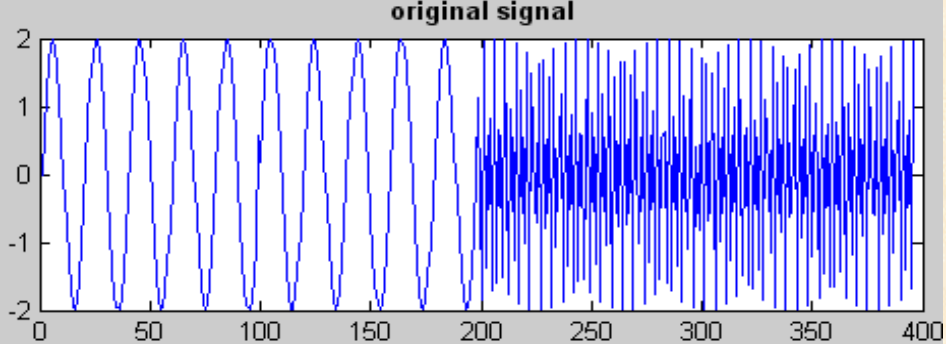


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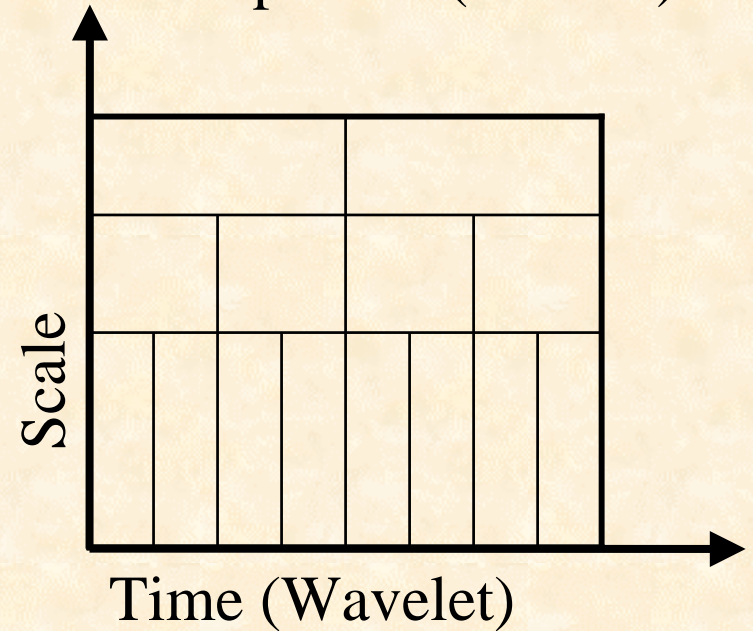
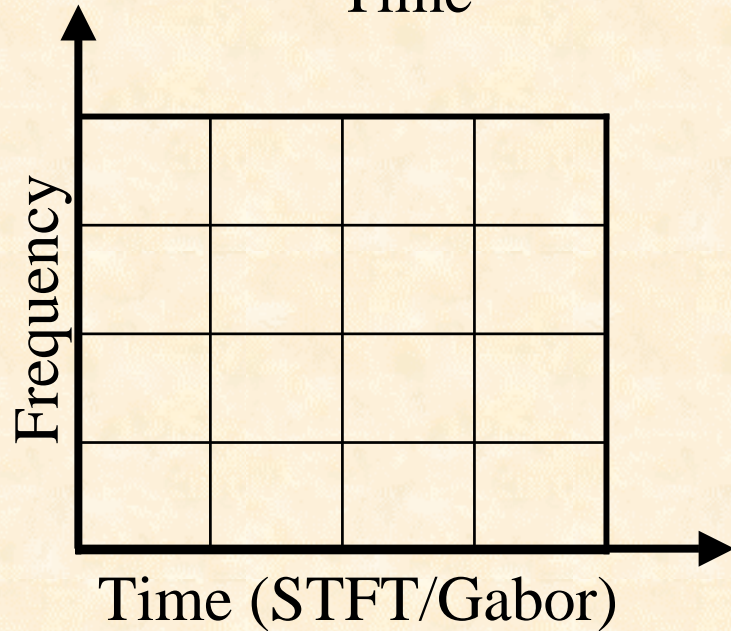
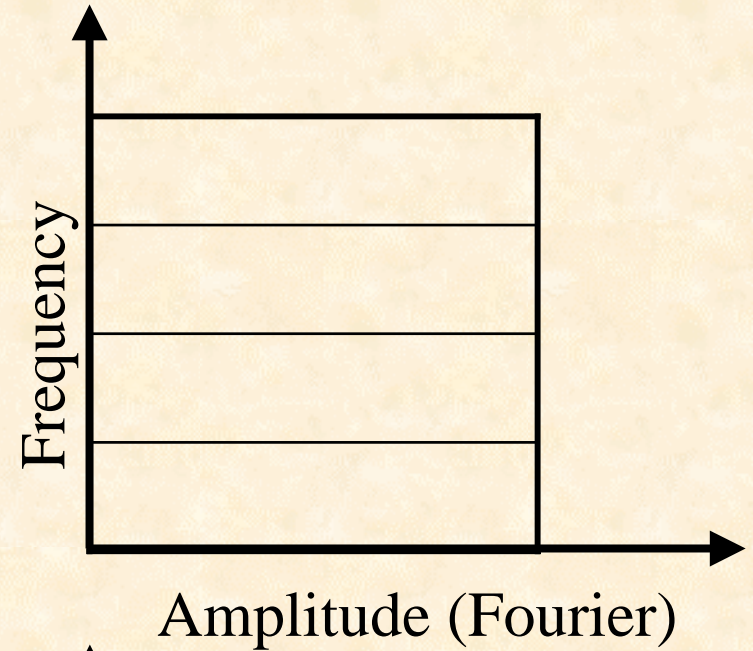
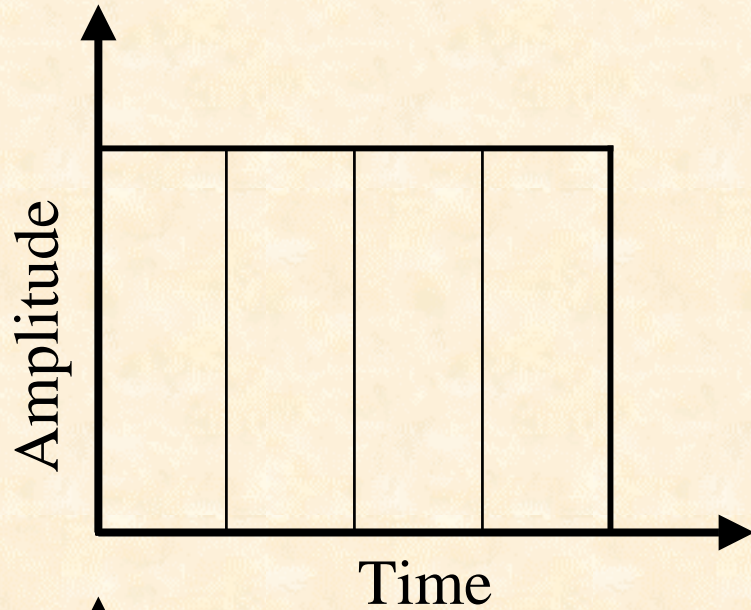
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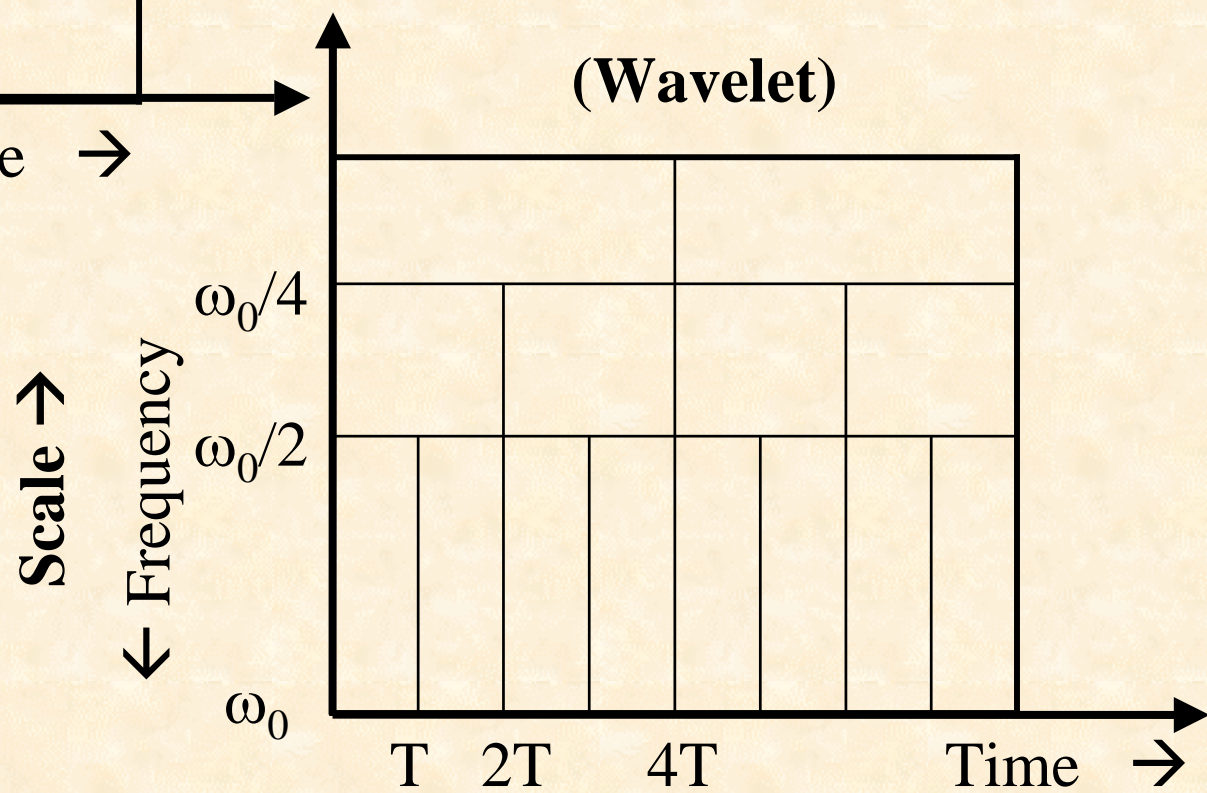
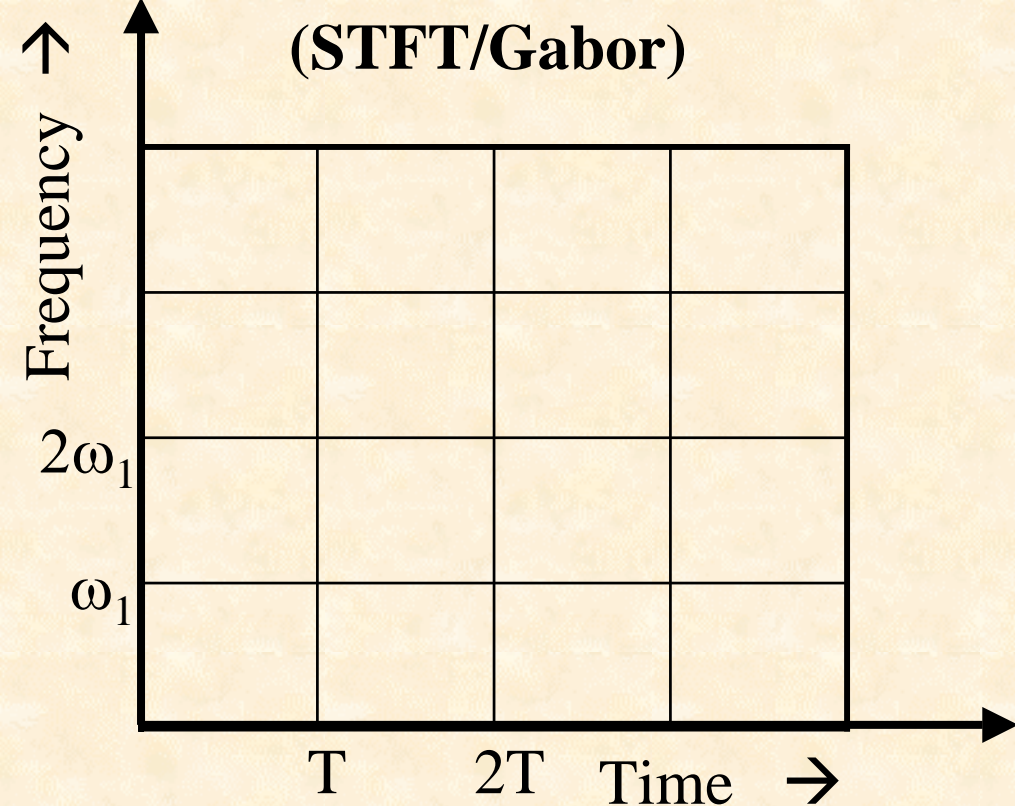




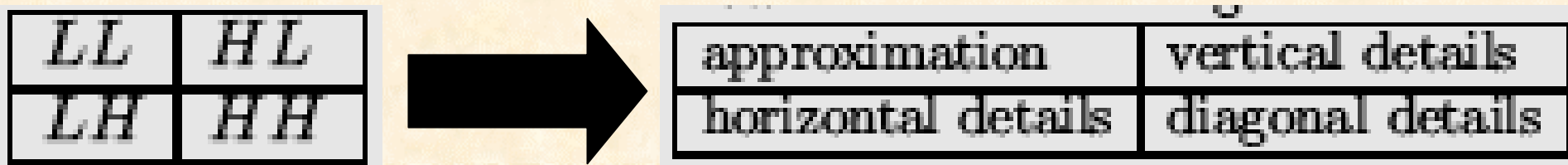
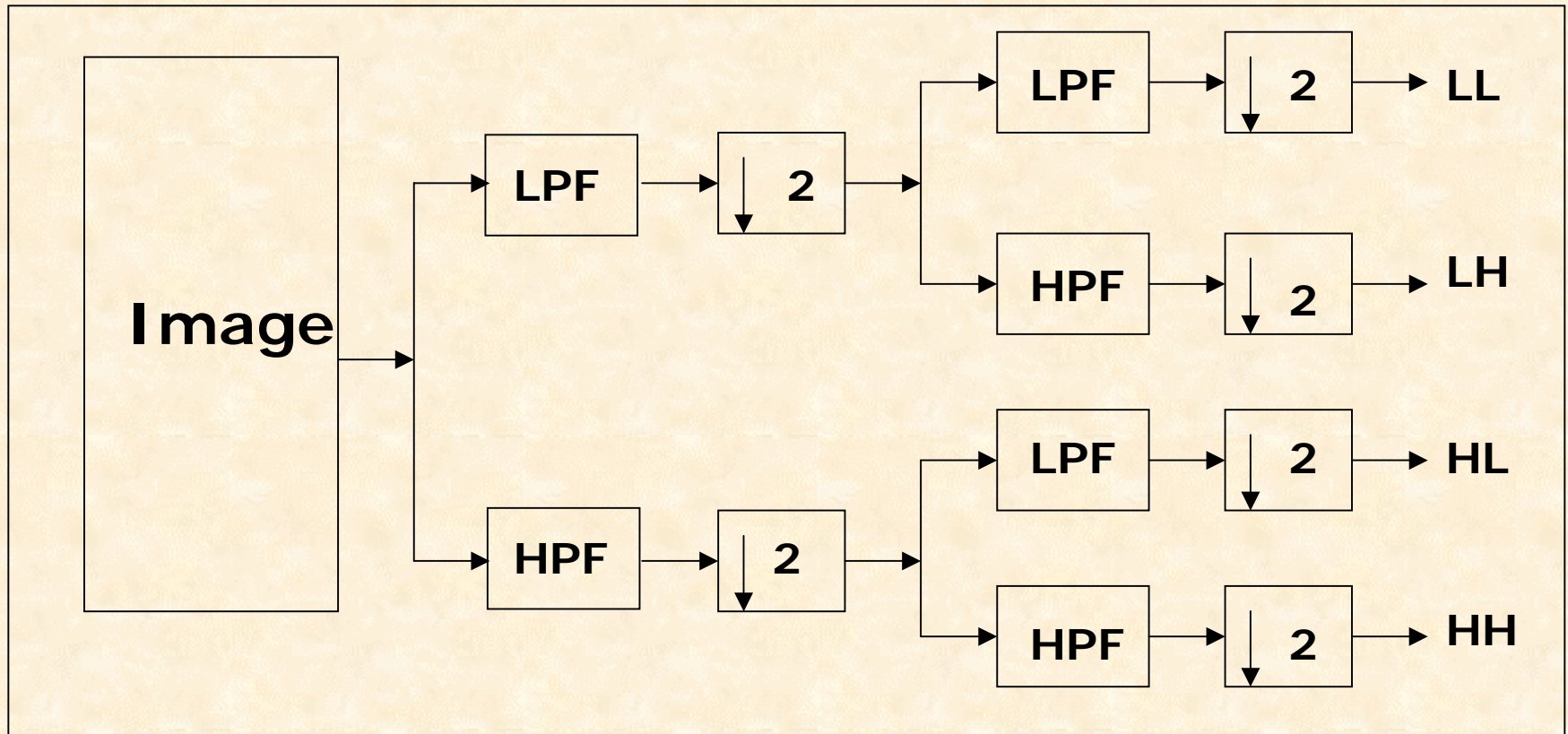


# Time and Frequency Resolutions



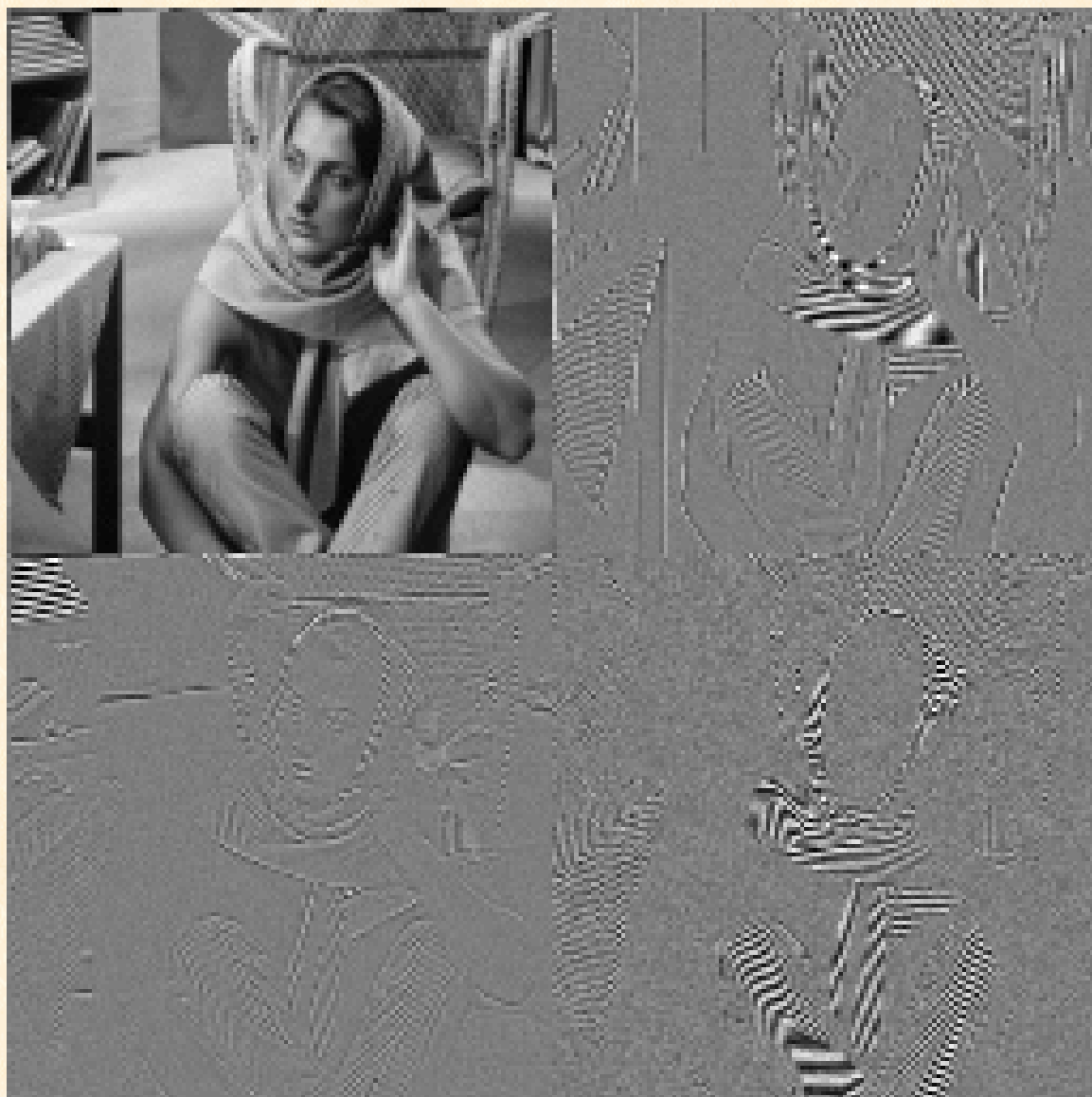


## Two-dimensional Wavelet Transform



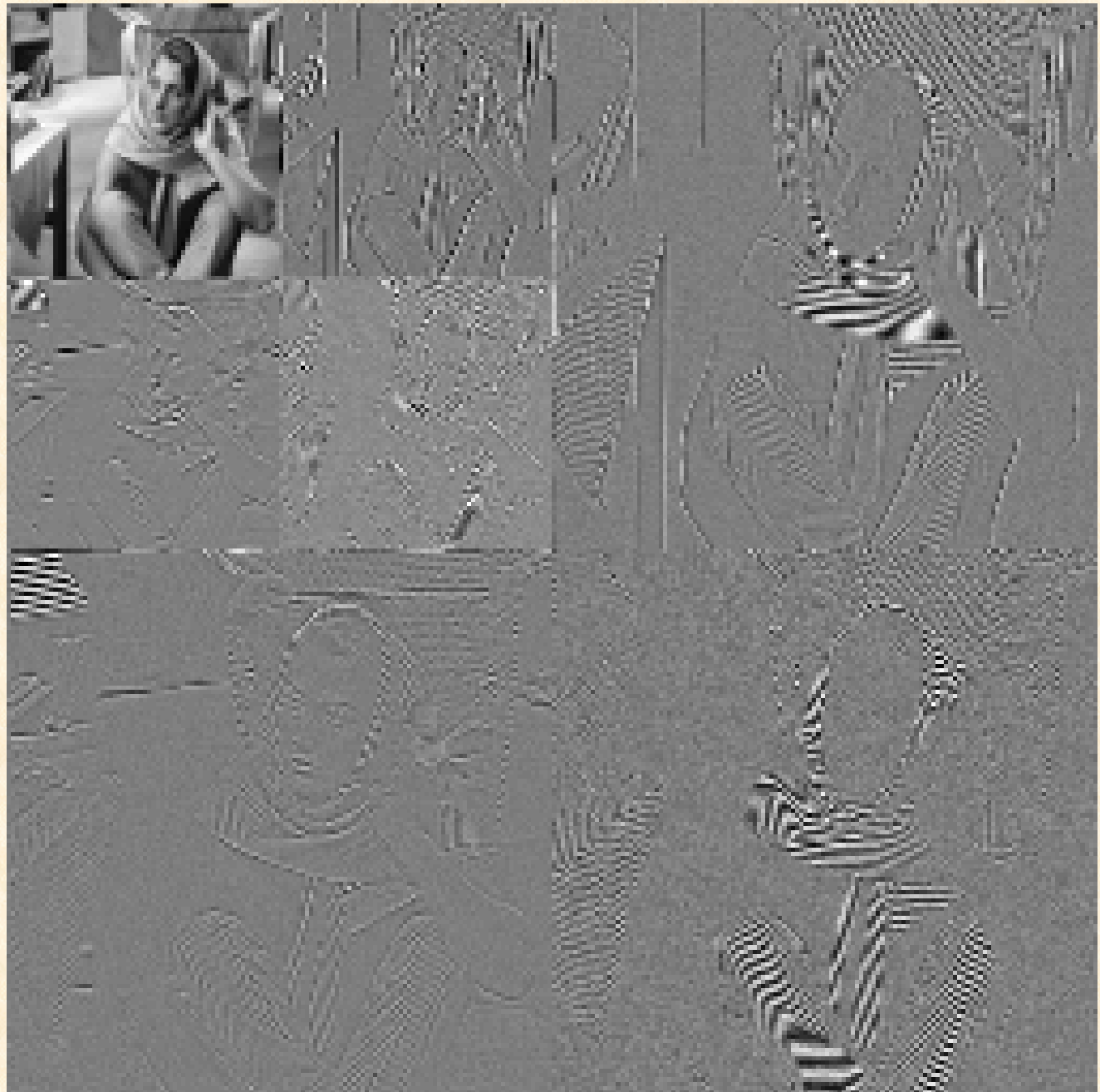


# Level I wavelet decomposition of an image





# Level II wavelet decomposition of an image



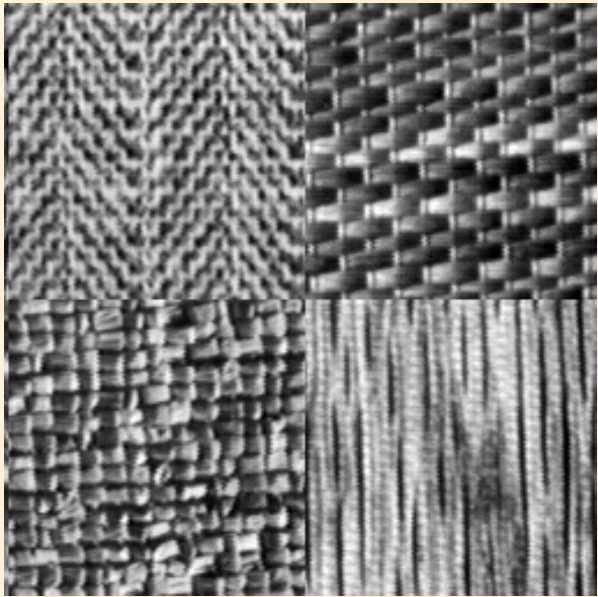
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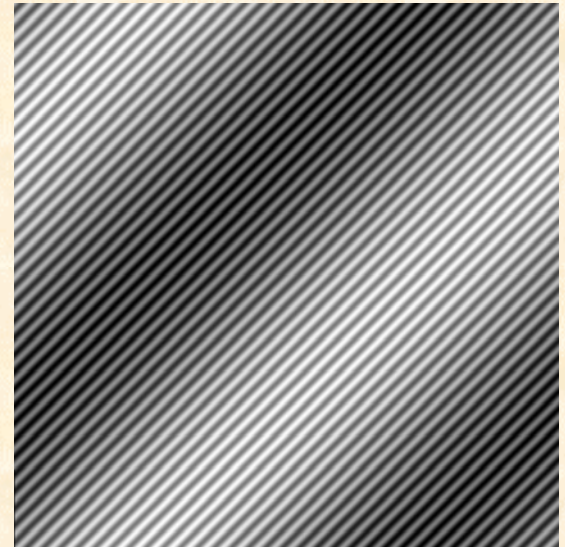
# Wavelet based analysis of texture Images

**Problem of  
Shape from  
3-D Textures**

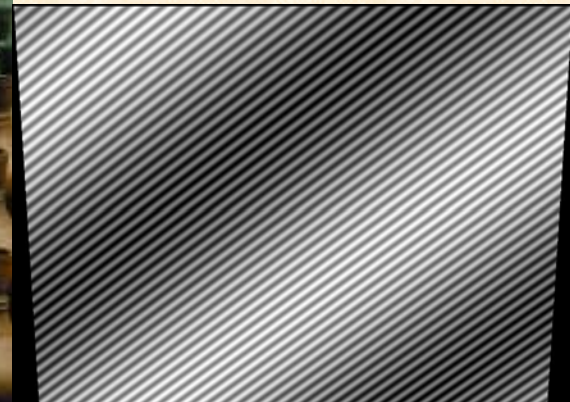


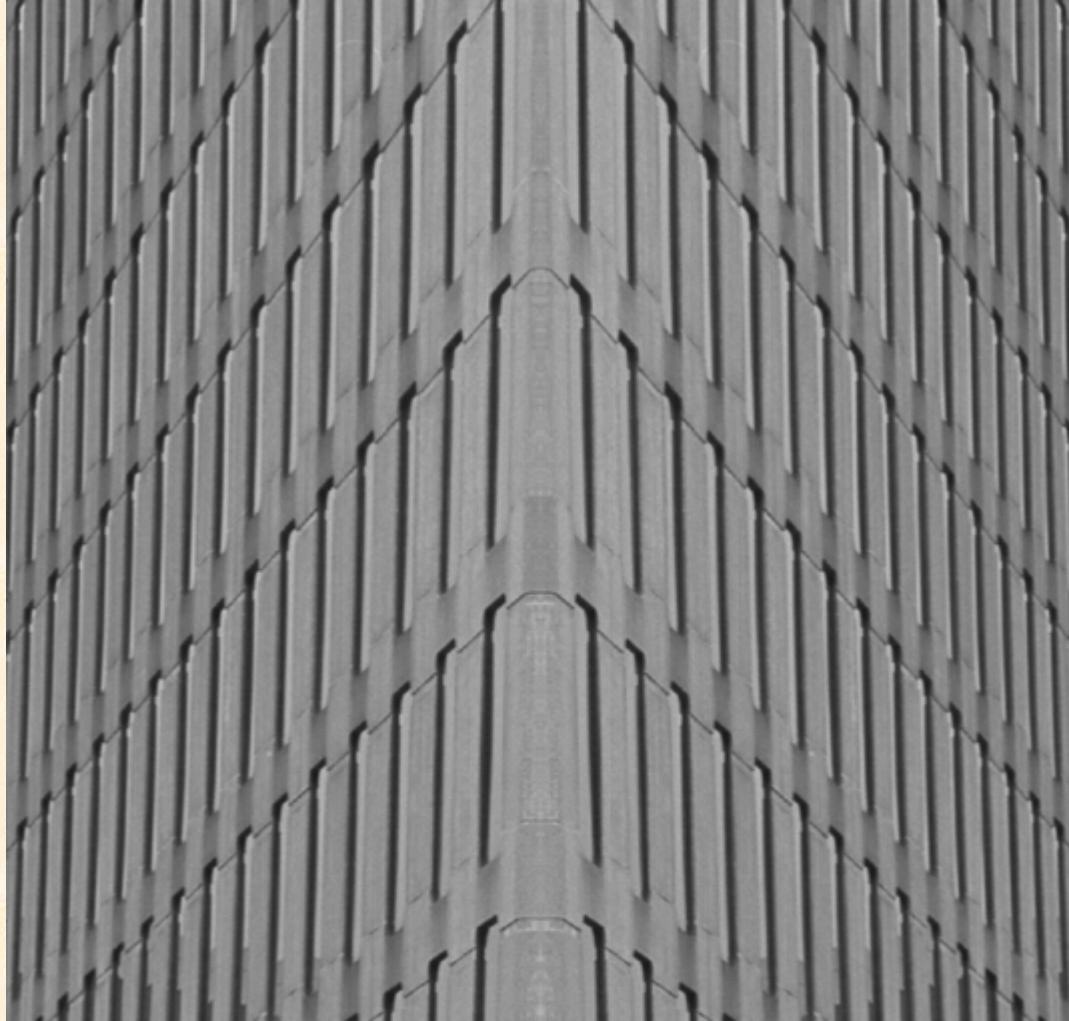


## 2-D Textures



## 3-D Textures





**Real world 3-D Texture image**



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