

Non-commutative tomography: A tool for data analysis and signal processing

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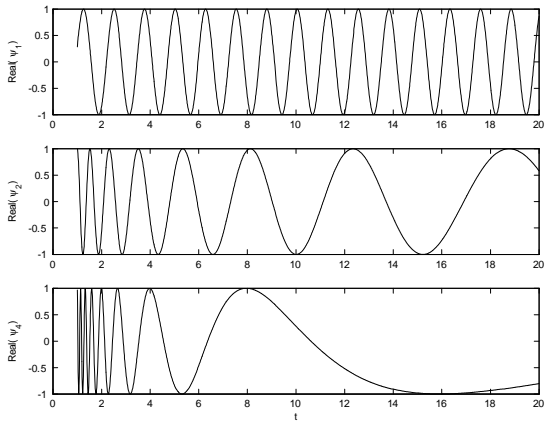
- $B_4\psi_4(\mu, \nu, t, X) = X\psi_4(\mu, \nu, t, X)$

$$\psi_4(\mu, \nu, t, X) = \frac{1}{|t|} \exp i \left(\frac{X}{\nu t} + \frac{\mu}{\nu} \log |t| \right)$$

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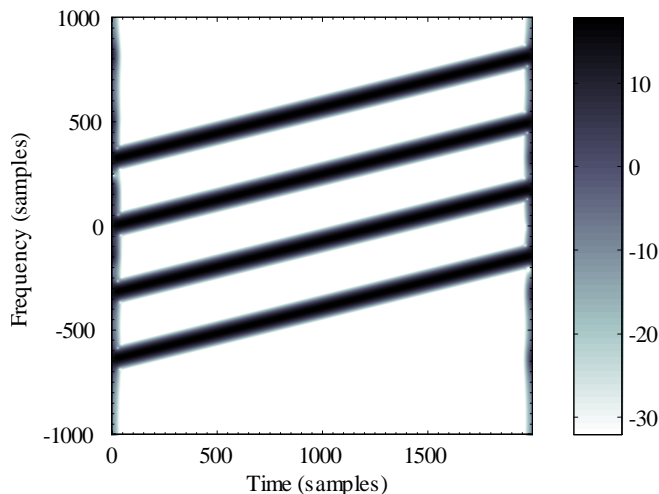
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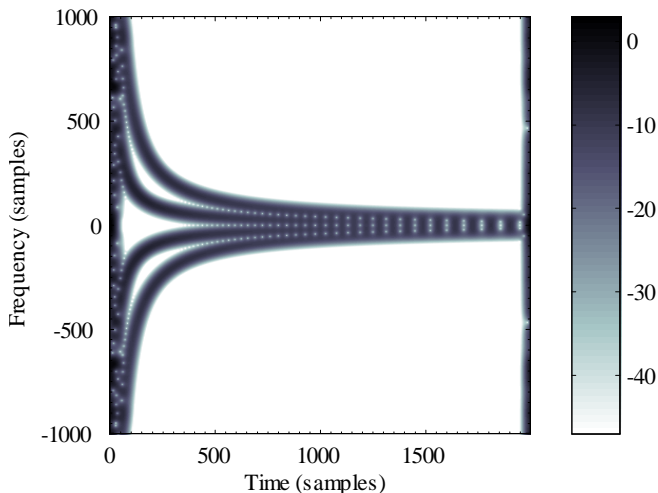
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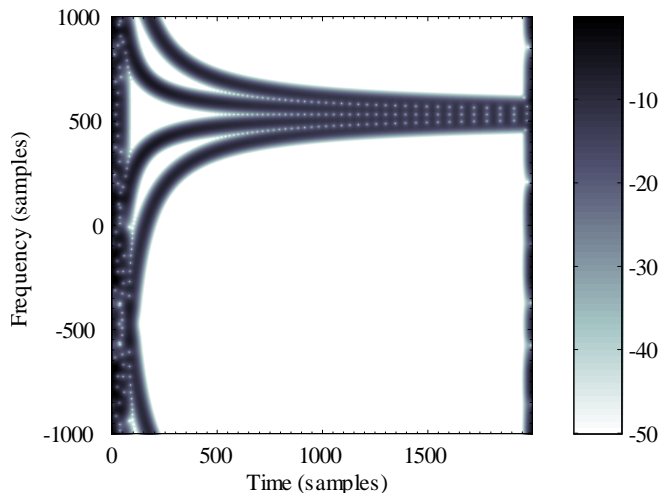
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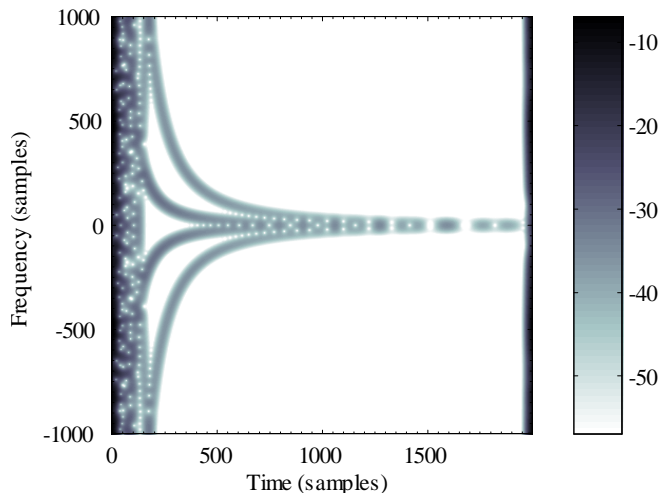
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- One possibility: Separation of components using its behavior in the time-frequency plane. Consider the finite-time tomogram

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with

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$$\langle \psi_{\theta, X_n} \psi_{\theta, X_m} \rangle = \delta_{m,n}$$

This is possible by taking the sequence

$$X_n = X_0 + \frac{2n\pi}{T} \sin \theta$$

where X_0 is freely chosen (in general we take $X_0 = 0$)

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- Multi-component analysis is done by selecting subsets \mathcal{F}_k of the X_n and reconstructing partial signals (k -components) by restricting the sum to

$$f_k(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{F}_k} c_{X_n}^\theta(f) \psi_{\theta, X_n}(t)$$

for each k .

Component decomposition. Examples



$$y(t) = y_1(t) + y_2(t) + y_3(t) + b(t)$$

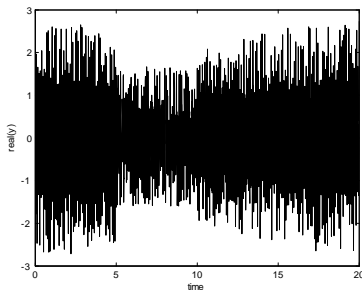
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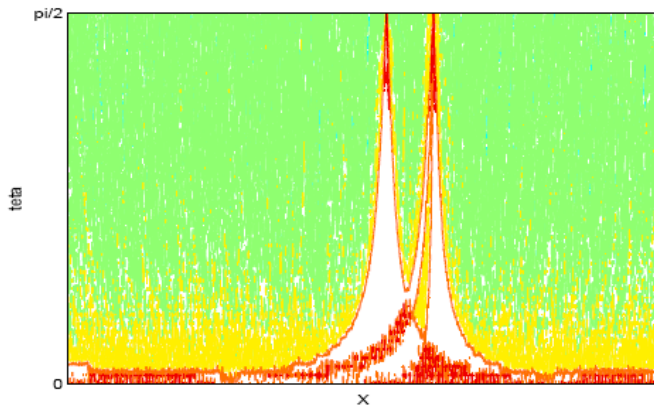
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Component decomposition

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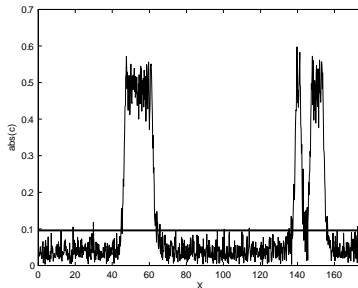


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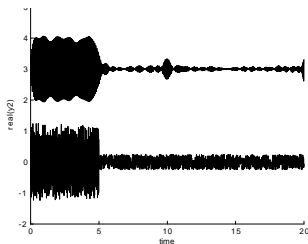
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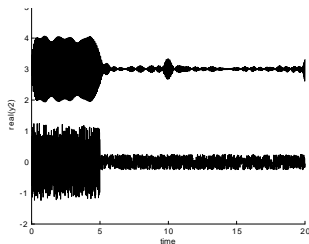
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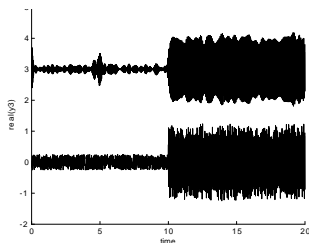


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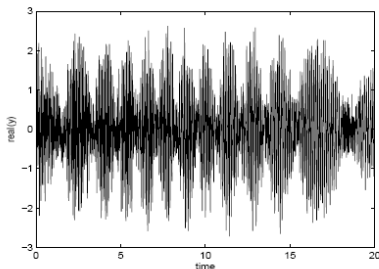
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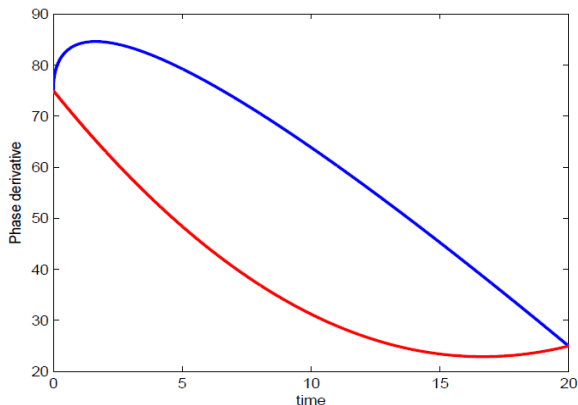


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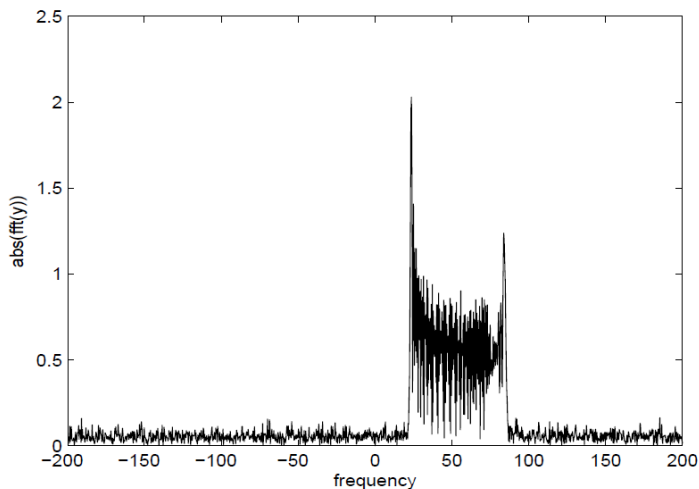
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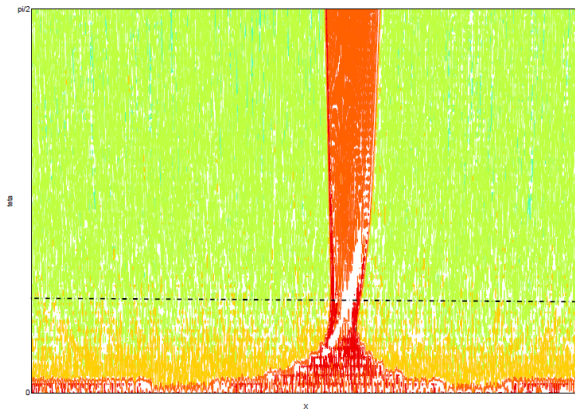
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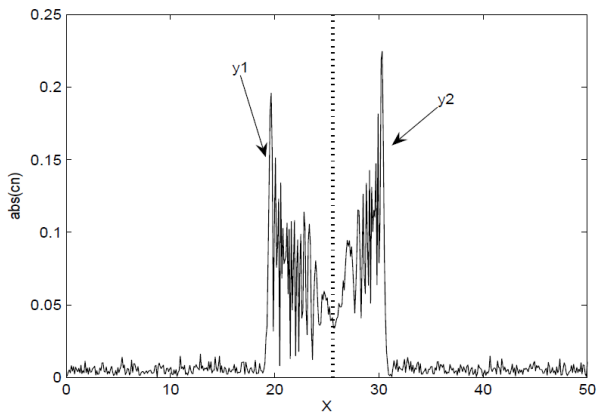
Component decomposition. Examples

- Tomogram of the chirps signal



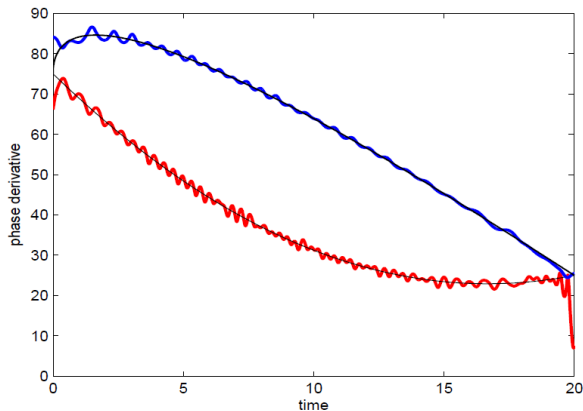
Component decomposition. Examples

Separable spectrum at $\theta = \frac{\pi}{5}$

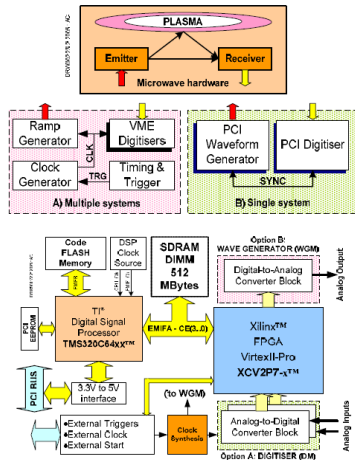
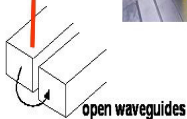
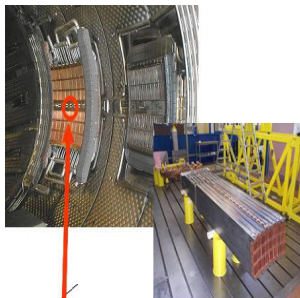


Component decomposition. Examples

The phase derivative

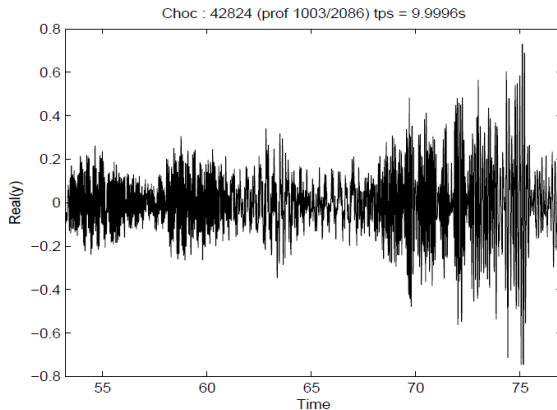


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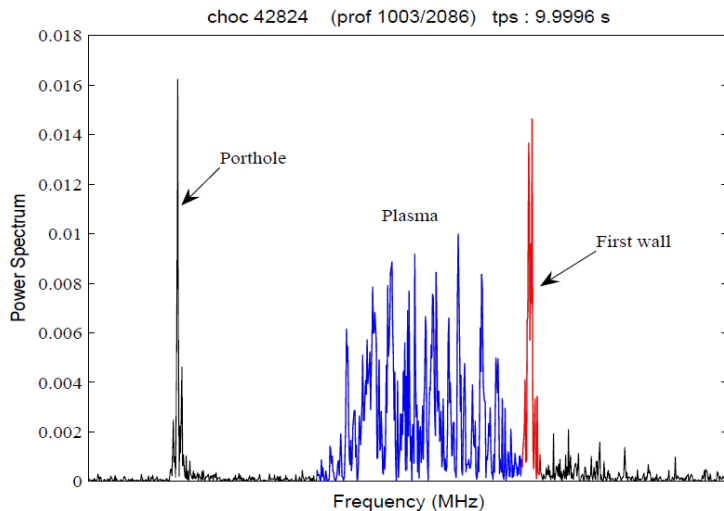


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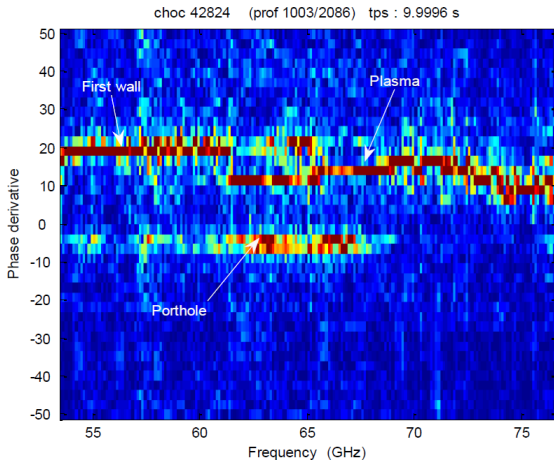


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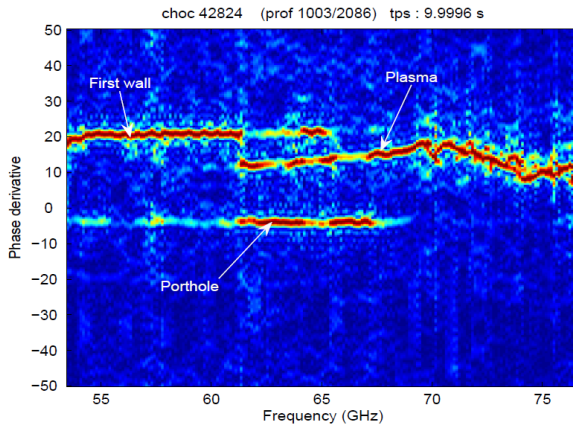
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Spectrogram



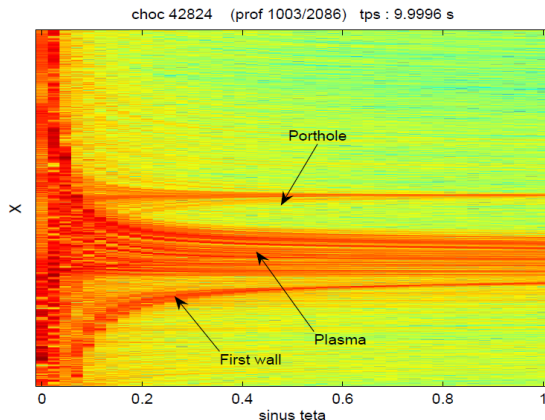
Component decomposition. Examples

Oversampled spectrogram



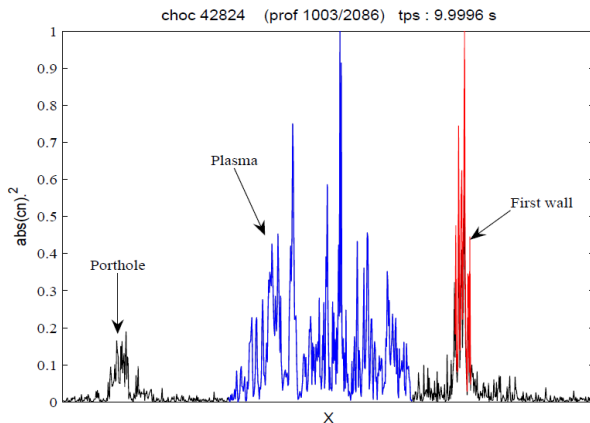
Component decomposition. Examples

- Tomogram of the reflectometry signal

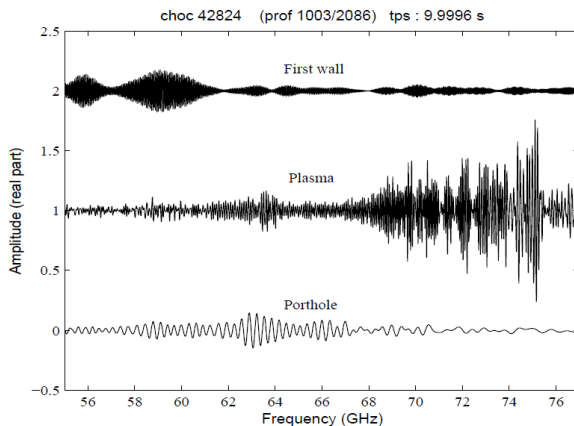


Component decomposition. Examples

- "Spectrum" at $\theta = \pi - \frac{\pi}{5}$

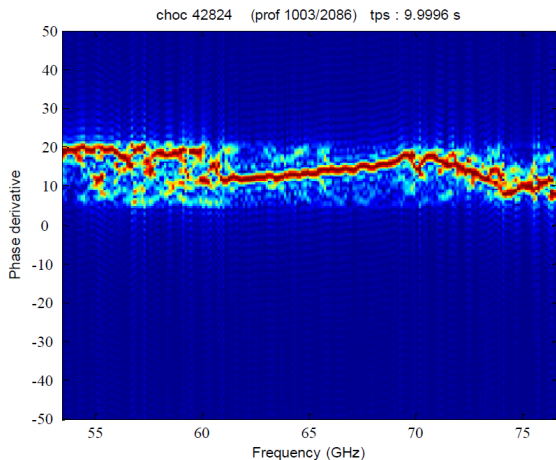


Component decomposition. Examples



Component decomposition. Examples

Spectrogram of the plasma component



Tomography with an adapted operator pair

- In $B(\mu, \nu) = \mu t + \nu S$, choose an operator S , specially tuned to the features of the signal that one wants to extract.
- At particular values of (μ, ν) noise effects may cancel out. Separates the information of very small signals from large noise and obtain reliable information on the temporal structure of the signal. **A signal-adapted filtering technique.**
- To construct S consider a set of N —dimensional time sequences $\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_k\}$, typical of the signal one wants to detect. (May be considered as the code words that later one wishes to detect in a noisy signal).
- Form the $k \times N$ matrix $U \in \mathcal{M}_{k \times N}$.

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(1\Delta t) & x_1(2\Delta t) & \dots & x_1(N\Delta t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_k(1\Delta t) & x_k(2\Delta t) & \dots & x_k(N\Delta t) \end{pmatrix}$$

with $k < N$ typically.

Signal-adapted tomography

- Construct the square matrices $A = U^T U \in \mathcal{M}_{N \times N}$ and $B = U U^T \in \mathcal{M}_{k \times k}$.
- Diagonalization of A provides k non-zero eigenvalues $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_j)$ and its corresponding orthogonal N -dimensional eigenvectors (Φ_1, \dots, Φ_k) , $\Phi_j \in \mathbb{R}^N$. Correspondingly, the diagonalization of B would provide the same k eigenvalues and eigenvectors (Ψ_1, \dots, Ψ_k) with $\Psi_j \in \mathbb{R}^k$. If needed one may obtain, by the Gram-Schmidt method, the remaining $N - k$ eigenvectors to span \mathbb{R}^N , which in this context are associated to the eigenvalue zero.
- The linear operator S constructed from the set of typical signals is

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i \Phi_i \Phi_i^t$$

where $S \in \mathcal{M}_{N \times N}$.

- For the tomogram consider an operator $B(\mu, \nu)$ of the form

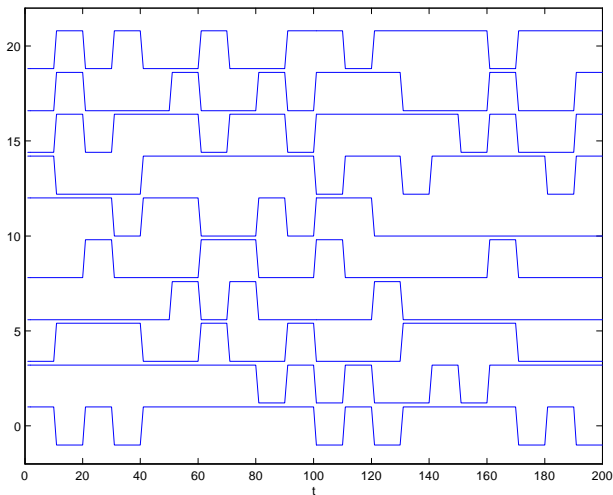
$$B(\mu, \nu) = \mu t + \nu S = \mu \begin{pmatrix} 1\Delta t & & & \\ & 2\Delta t & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & N\Delta t \end{pmatrix} + \nu \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i \Phi_i \Phi_i^t$$

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- The eigenvectors of each $B(\mu, \nu)$ are the columns of the matrix that diagonalizes it. From the projections of the signal on these eigenvectors one constructs a tomogram adapted to the operator pair (t, S) .

Tomography with an adapted operator pair: An example

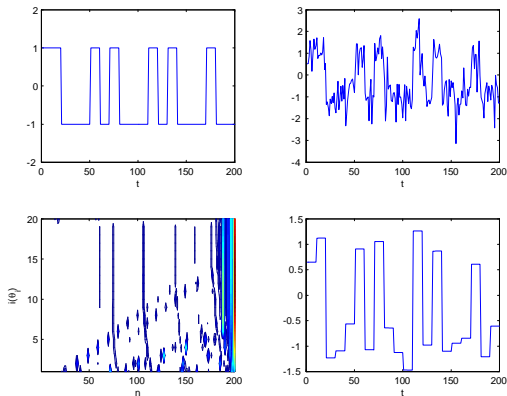
Typical data: a set of 40 random signals with pulses of duration $\Delta t = 10$ and intensities $+1$ or -1 . The total length of the signal is 200 time units.



Tomography with an adapted operator pair: An example

Eigenbasis of $B(\theta) = t \cos \theta + S \sin \theta$ is used to project the signal.

Tomogram for 20 different values of θ at intervals $\Delta\theta = \pi/40$



Right lower plot is projection on eigenvectors 185 to 200 at $\theta_{19} = 19\pi/40$.

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