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

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## Outline

- Integral transforms: linear and bilinear
- Wavelet-type, quasi-distributions and tomograms: Examples and relations
- Tomograms and the conformal group operators
- Aplications:
(1) Detection of small signals
(2) Filtering and component separation
(3) Plasma reflectometry


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- The. following figures show the signal, its Fourier transform and the tomogram $M_{f}^{(S)}(s, \mu, v)(T=1$ and $\Omega=1000)$


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Fig.4C


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- A ridge of small peaks is reliable because the rigorous probability interpretation of $M(\theta, X)$ renders the method immune to spurious effects.


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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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\psi_{\theta, X}(t)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \exp \left(\frac{-i \cos \theta}{2 \sin \theta} t^{2}+\frac{i X}{\sin \theta} t\right)
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This is possible by taking the sequence

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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

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- Frequency representation



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- Tomogram of the chirps signal



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


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The phase derivative


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- Reflectometry signal



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- Tomogram of the reflectometry signal



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



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