

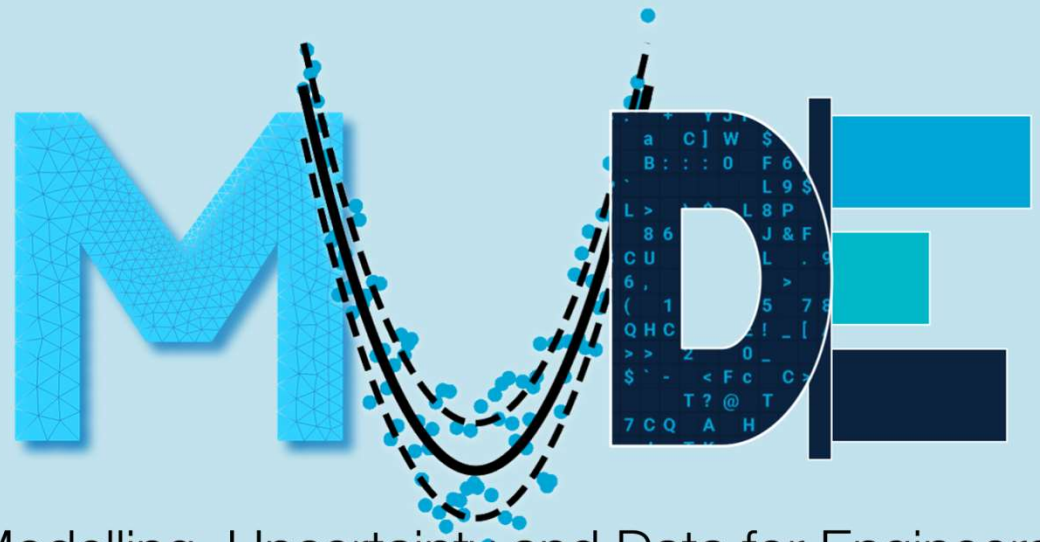
Signal Processing

Week 2.3

Monday, Nov. 25, 2024

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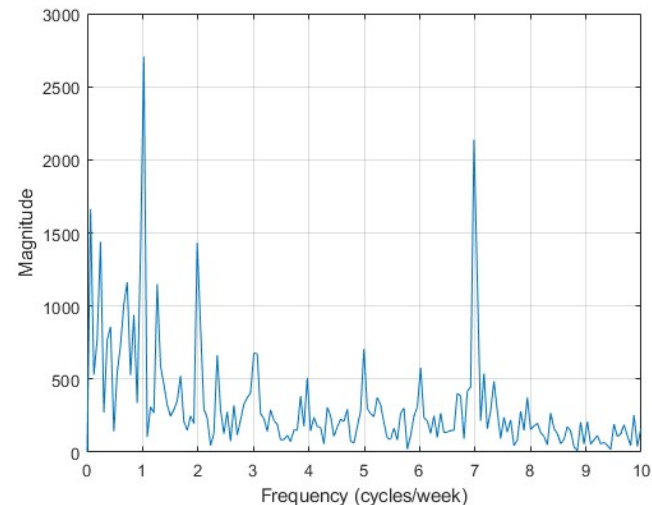
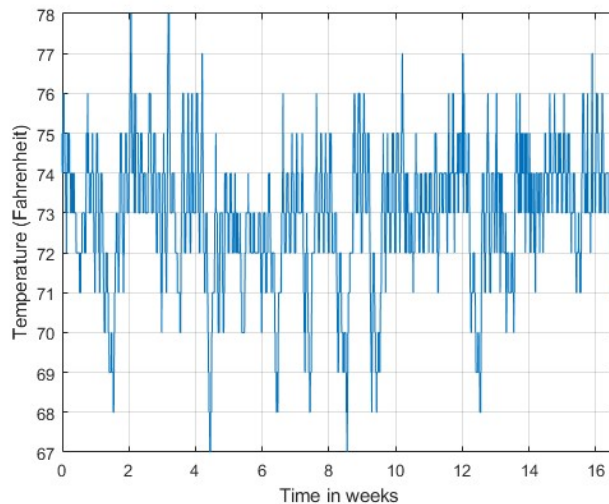
## MUDE - Week 2.3: Signal Processing

- We will add the dimension of **time** to inputs to models, and to observations.
- We will study signals:
  - A **signal**, as a function of one or more variables, may be defined as an observable change in a quantifiable entity\*
- If the independent variable is *time*, *signal* = *time series*
- We cover time series analysis (week 2.4).
- Week 2.3 entails the study of time-varying signals in the **frequency domain**.

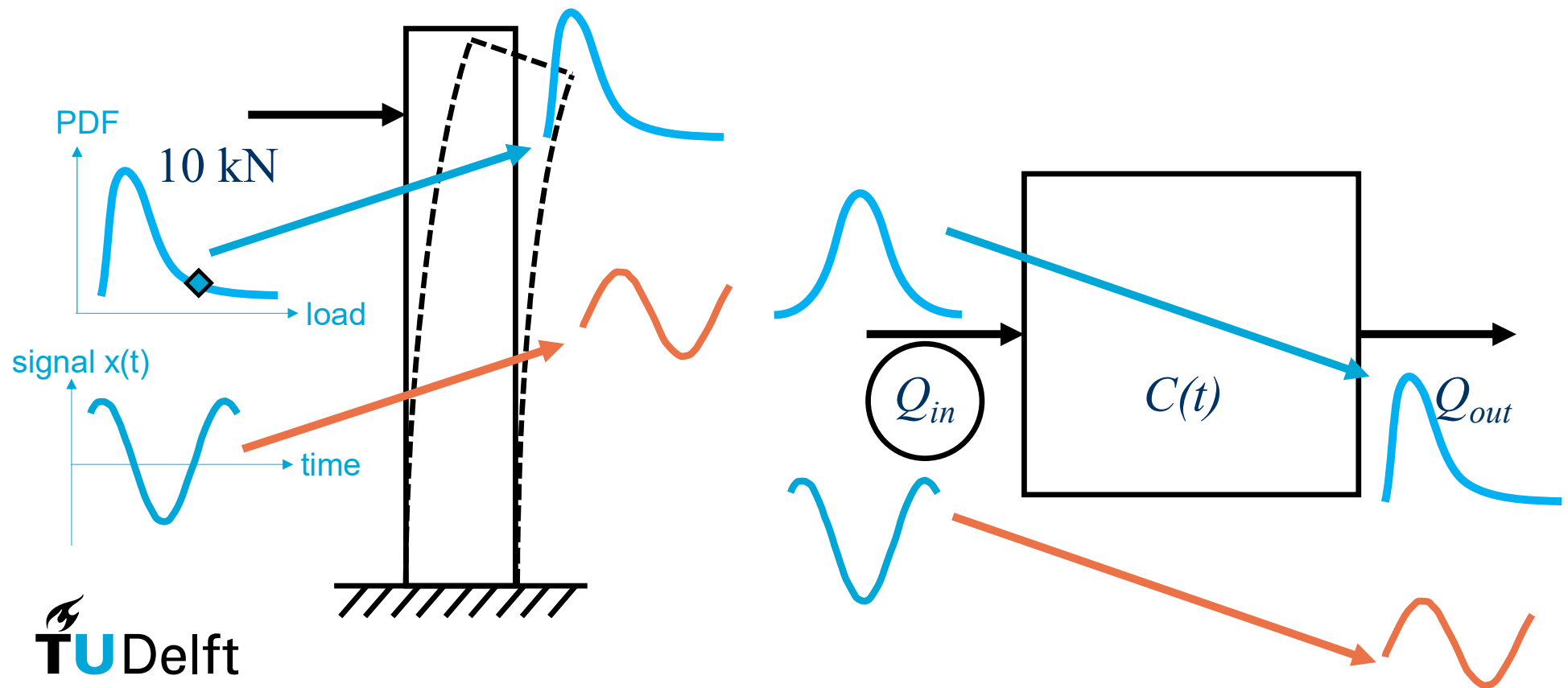


## Why the frequency domain?

- It allows to observe several characteristics of the signal that are either *not easy to see*, or *not visible at all* when you look at the signal in the time domain.
- For instance, frequency-domain analysis becomes useful when you are looking for *cyclic behavior* of signals.



## deterministic design – load often given in assignment



# Tacoma Narrows Bridge

also known as 'Galloping Gertie' ...



Ordinary bridge design



Wind can pass through trusses

Tacoma Narrows Design



Wind would be forced around trusses



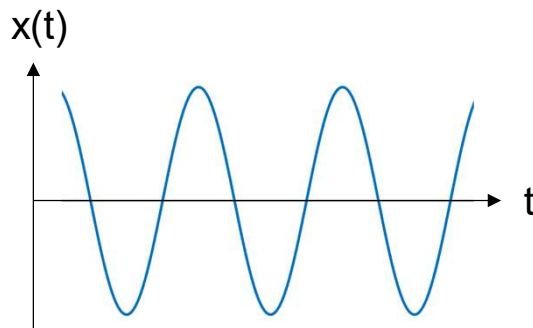
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video by Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum

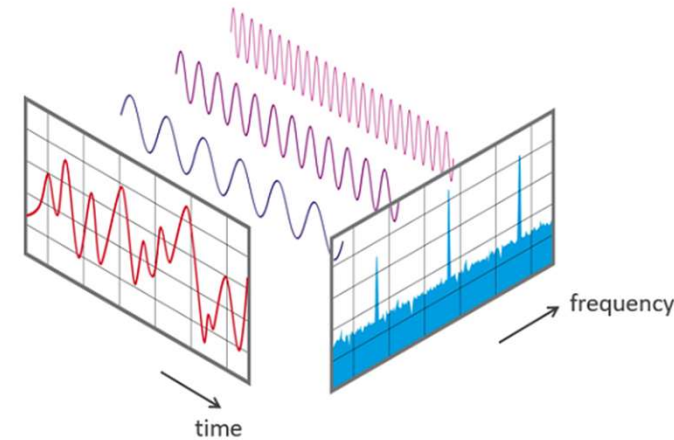
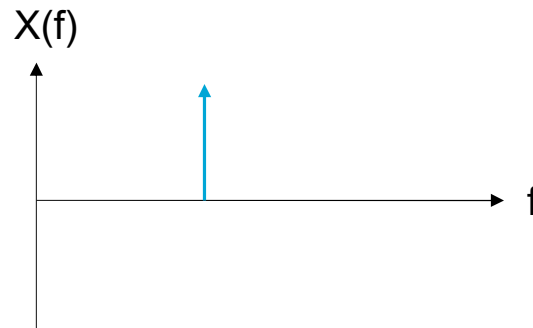
# signal: time and frequency domain

two different view-points on the same phenomenon:

time-domain

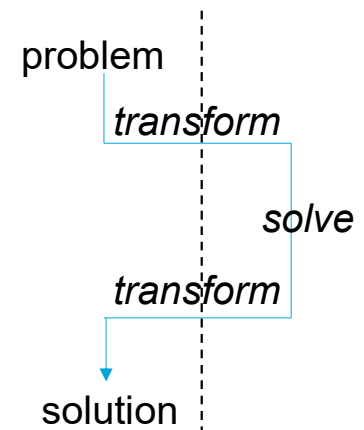


frequency-domain



solution strategy in practice

time frequency



## transforming Differential Equation into frequency domain (optional)

1<sup>st</sup> order DE:  $\frac{1}{k} \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + y(t) = x(t)$

**transform** from time to frequency domain:  $\frac{1}{k} j2\pi f Y(f) + Y(f) = X(f)$

reworking into:  $H(f) = \frac{Y(f)}{X(f)} = \frac{k}{j2\pi f + k}$ , which is system frequency response

**transform back** to time domain  $h(t) = k e^{-kt} u(t)$ , which is system impulse response

now compute output  $y(t)$  given input  $x(t)$ :  
 $k > 0$ ,  $u(t)$  step response  
 $u(t) = 1$  for  $t \geq 0$

convolution:  $y(t) = x(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\lambda) k e^{-k(t-\lambda)} u(t-\lambda) d\lambda$

for instance with  $x(t) = u(t)$  we find  $y(t) = \int_0^t k e^{-k(t-\lambda)} d\lambda = 1 - e^{-k}$  with  $t \geq 0$



# solving Differential Equation in time domain (optional)

## short note on solving 1st-order differential equation - worked example

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### 1 Introduction

This short note demonstrates, by means of an example, how to solve, analytically, in the time domain, a basic first order differential equation.

The example, and derivation, is taken from 'Signals and systems - continuous and discrete' by R.E. Ziemer, W.H. Tranter and D.R. Fannin, Prentice Hall, 4th edition, 1998 (Example 2-1).

### 2 First order differential equation

The differential equation is given as

$$\frac{1}{k} \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + y(t) = x(t) \quad (1)$$

with input  $x(t)$  and output  $y(t)$ .

The goal of this exercise is to express output  $y(t)$  (explicitly) in terms of input  $x(t)$ .

We assume that  $x(t)$  is applied at time  $t = t_0$  and that  $y(t_0) = y_0$ .

### 3 Homogeneous solution

The solution to the homogeneous differential equation

$$\frac{1}{k} \frac{dy(t)}{dt} + y(t) = 0 \quad (2)$$

is found by assuming a solution of the form  $y(t) = Ae^{pt}$ , and substituting this in the above homogeneous differential equation leads to  $p = -k$ . Hence, the homogeneous solution reads

$$y(t) = Ae^{-kt} \quad (3)$$

### 4 Total solution

In order to find the total solution we use the technique of 'variation of parameters', which consists of assuming a solution of the form of the above homogeneous solution, but with undetermined coefficient  $A$  replaced by a function of time  $A(t)$  which is to be found. Hence, we assume that

$$y(t) = A(t)e^{-kt} \quad (4)$$

Differentiating (and using the chain-rule), leads to

$$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = \left( \frac{dA(t)}{dt} - kA(t) \right) e^{-kt} \quad (5)$$

Next, substituting the assumed solution (4) and its derivative (5) in the original differential equation (1), we obtain

$$\frac{1}{k} e^{-kt} \frac{dA(t)}{dt} = x(t)$$

or

$$\frac{dA(t)}{dt} = x(t) k e^{kt} \quad (6)$$

Solving for  $\frac{dA(t)}{dt}$ , i.e. integrating the above expression, yields

$$A(t) - A(t_0) = k \int_{t_0}^t x(\lambda) e^{k\lambda} d\lambda$$

and using (4) at time  $t_0$ :  $y(t_0) = y_0 = A(t_0)e^{-kt_0}$ , or  $A(t_0) = y_0 e^{kt_0}$ , so we find the varying parameter  $A(t)$  as

$$A(t) = k \int_{t_0}^t x(\lambda) e^{k\lambda} d\lambda + y_0 e^{kt_0} \quad (7)$$

and this can be substituted in the assumed solution (4) and this yields

$$y(t) = y_0 e^{-k(t-t_0)} + k \int_{t_0}^t x(\lambda) e^{-k(t-\lambda)} d\lambda$$

Assuming that the input  $x(t)$  is applied at  $t = -\infty$ , hence  $t_0 = -\infty$ , and that  $y_0 = y(t_0) = y(t = -\infty) = 0$ , we obtain

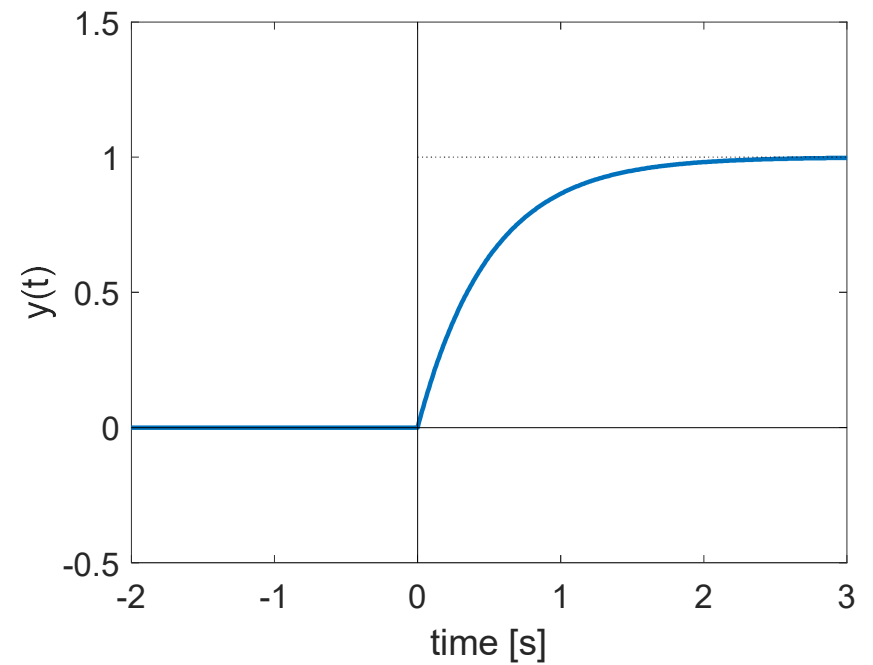
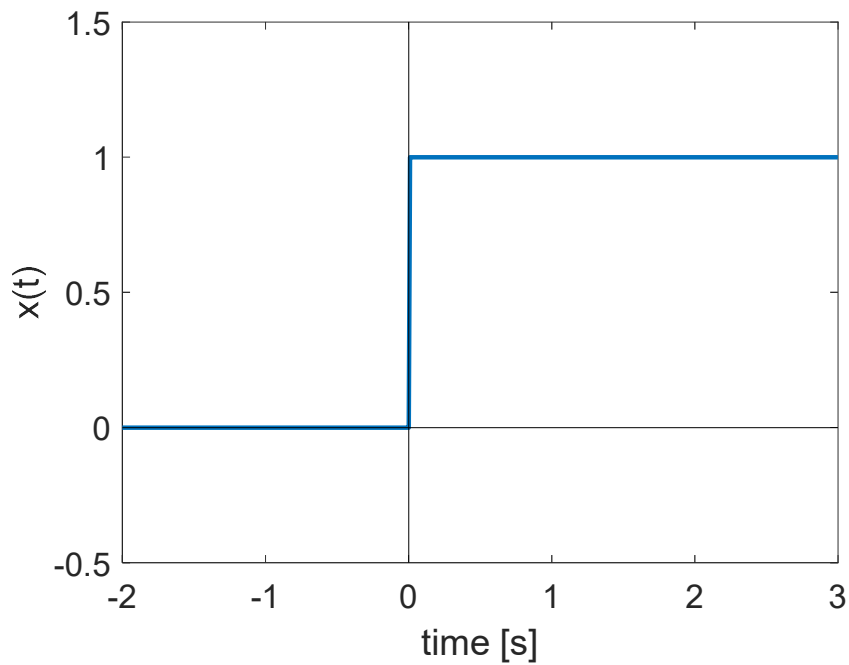
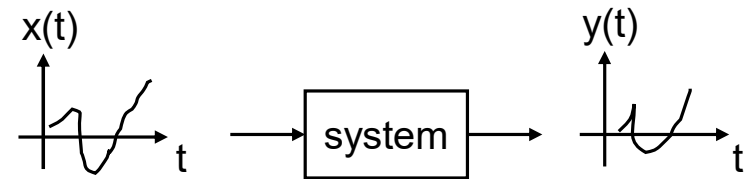
$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t x(\lambda) k e^{-k(t-\lambda)} d\lambda \quad (8)$$

### 5 Solution

Now the output  $y(t)$  to input  $x(t)$  can be found through solving the above integral.



## system: input - output



# sound demo

## Signal Processing with audio

Author: Steven Lin

Date: 21.10.2022

Reference: Music in Python by Katie He on Towards Data Science, <https://towardsdatascience.com/music-in-python-2f054deb41f4>

This notebook is divided into three parts:

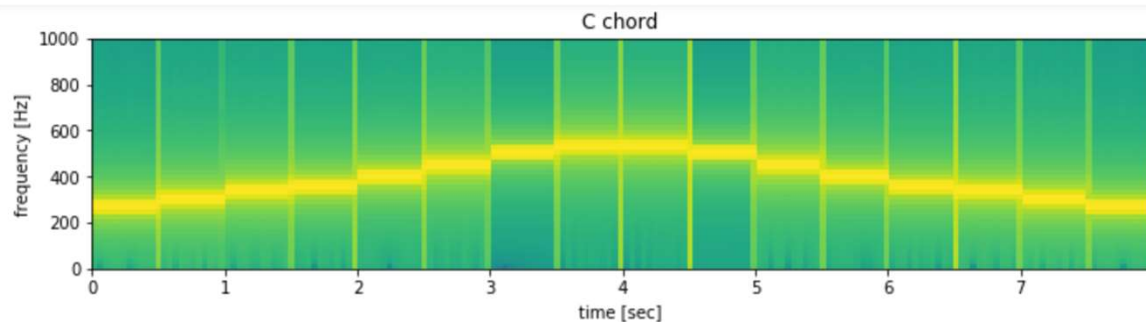
- use signal processing to analyze prominent signals in the song Bohemian Rhapsody by Queen.
- filter out higher frequencies of the song, analyze, and listen to it again.
- create audio of C chord (C major scale) using 8 single-frequency sine waves. Compare the spectrograms of C chord and the song.

You might need to install pygame first (under the Anaconda Prompt):

- pip install pygame

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In [1]: import numpy as np
import time
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
import pygame
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# time and frequency representation: spectrogram

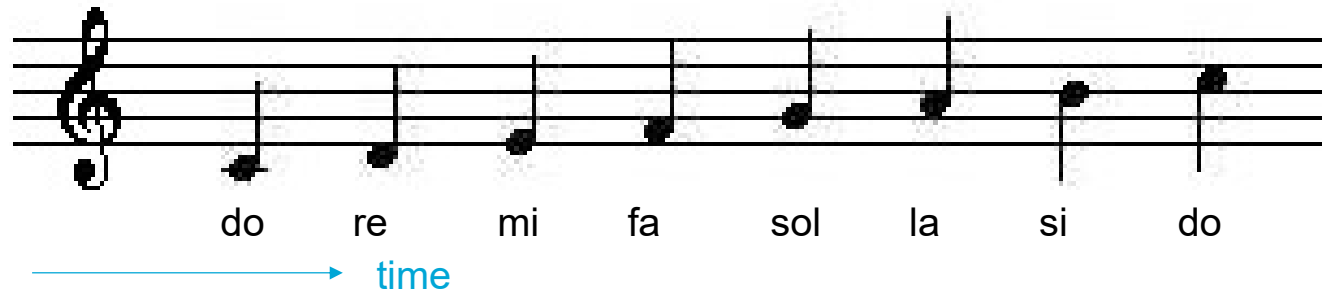


Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart  
(Salzburg, 27 January 1756 – Wenen, 5 December 1791)



frequency

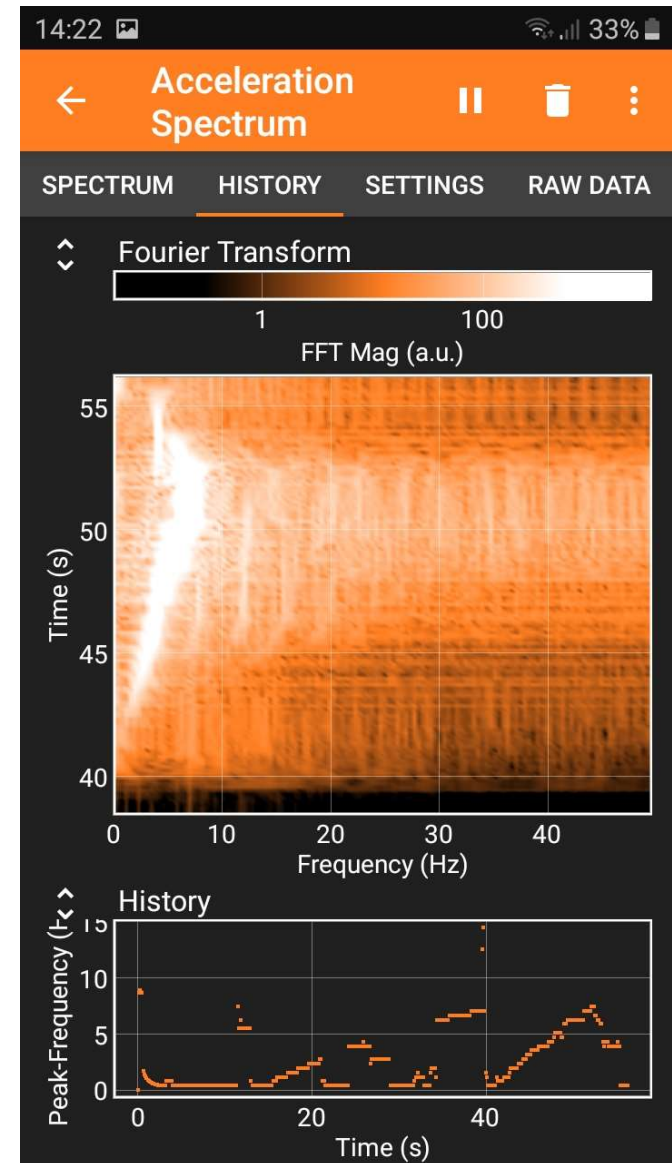
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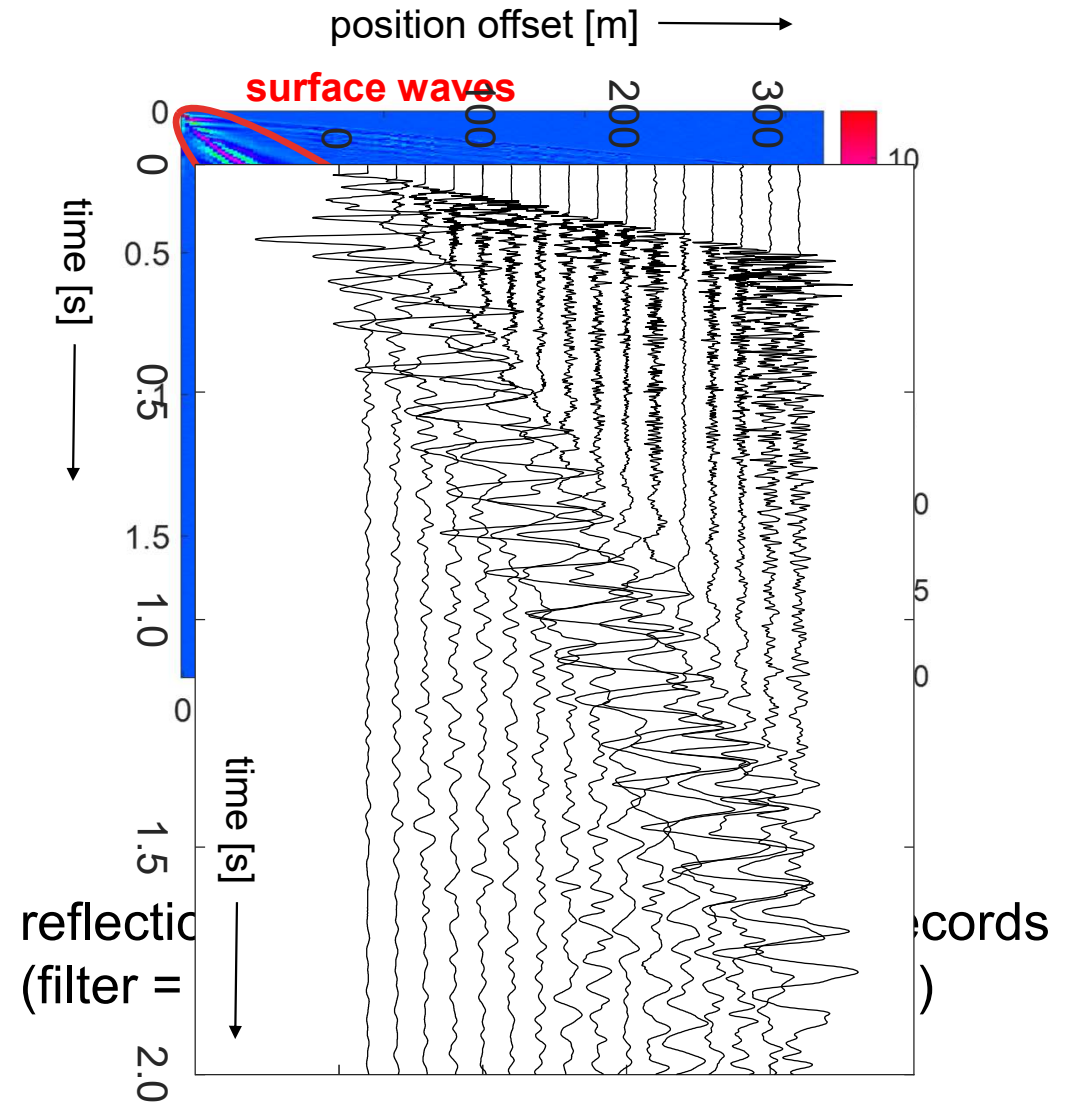
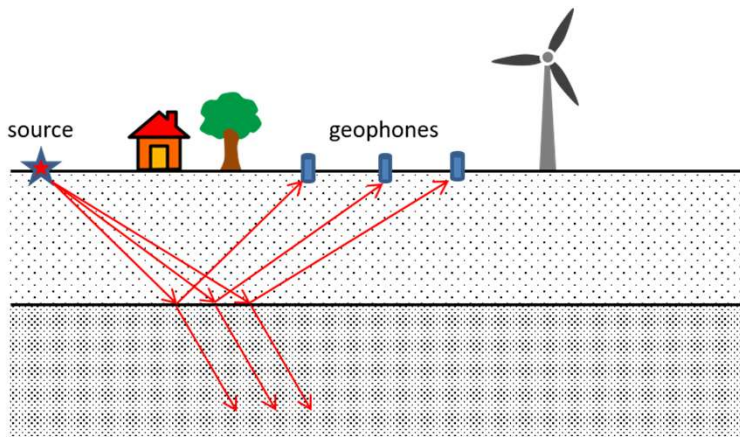
actually a time-frequency diagram (spectrogram)

# Phyphox-app demo (smartphone)

you do own a very nice collection of sensors ....



# seismic reflection

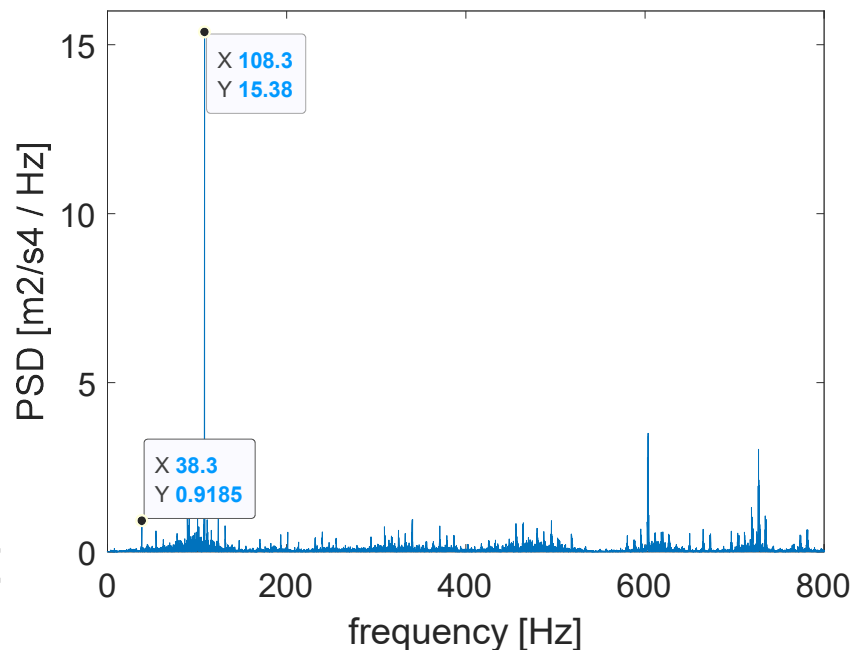


example by Guy Drijkoningen

# spectral analysis in railway-engineering

using DFT, compute and visualize magnitude (amplitude) or power spectrum

analyzing signals: what **frequencies** do impact my structure,  
and with what **amplitude/power**?



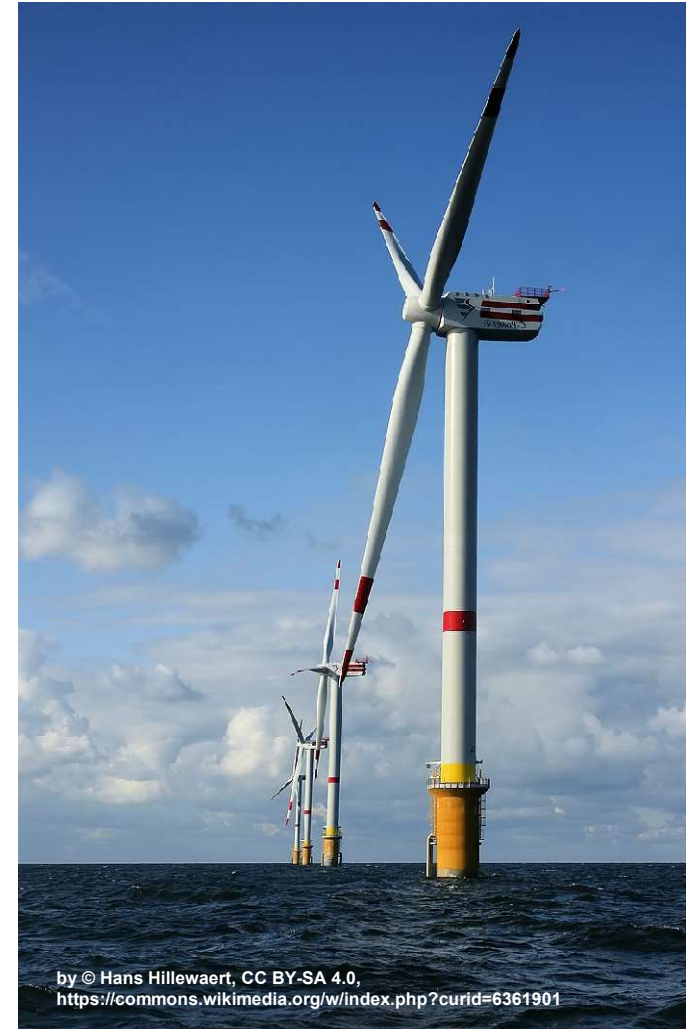
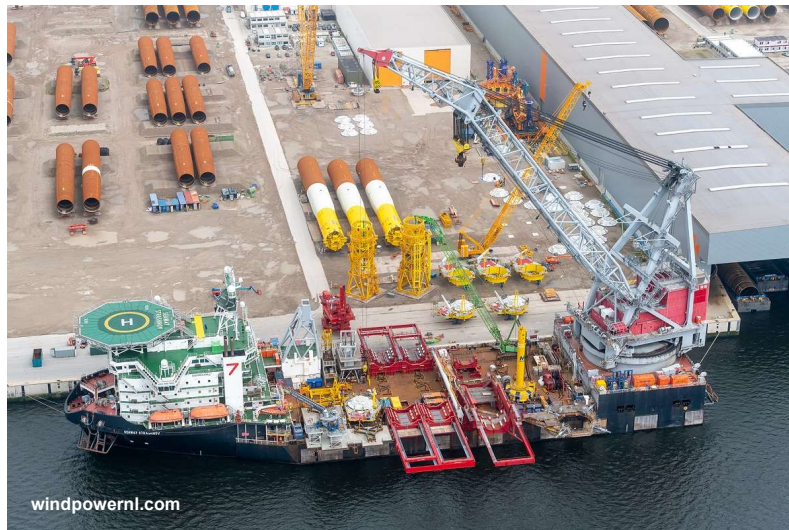
example by Chen Shen



# driving down mono-piles



installing offshore wind-turbines:  
hammering it down ...

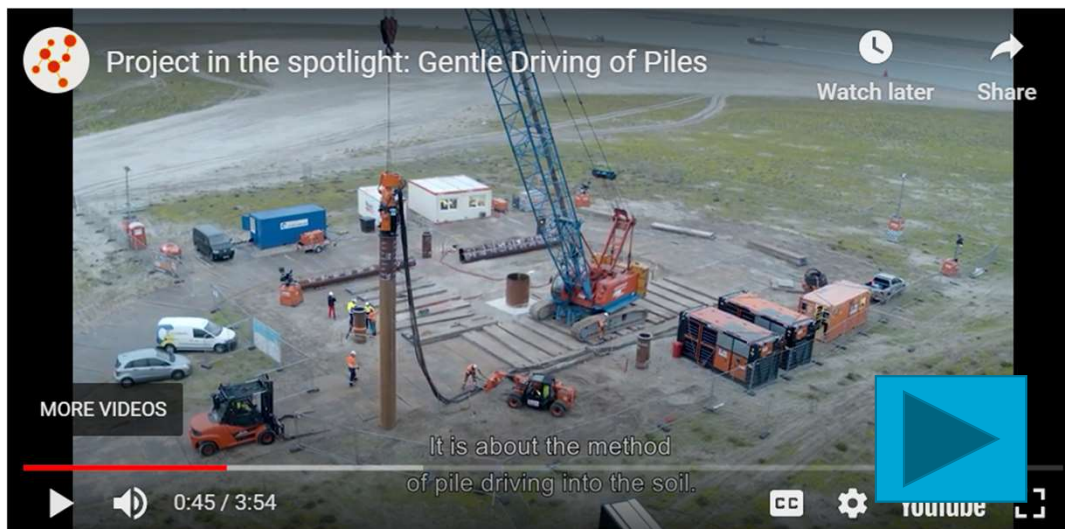




# Gentle Driving of Piles (GDP)

do it differently:  
simultaneously apply low- and high-frequency  
vibrators, exciting two different modes of  
motion of the monopiles

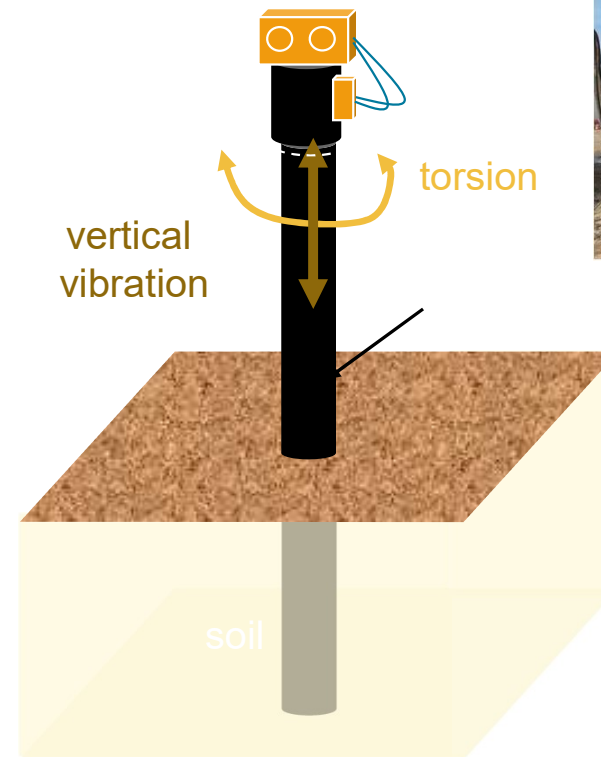
<https://grow-offshorewind.nl/project/gentle-driving-of-piles>



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# GDP shaker

- combination of vibro hammer with torsional shaker
- torsional shaking as main driving mechanism
  - avoids expansion due to driving
  - less energy required to drive pile
- significant noise reduction compared to impact driving





# GDP project: experiment at Maasvlakte

comparing: impact hammer IP, vertical (vibro) hammering and GDP (torsional+vibro)



strain FBG technology  
accelerometer MEMS

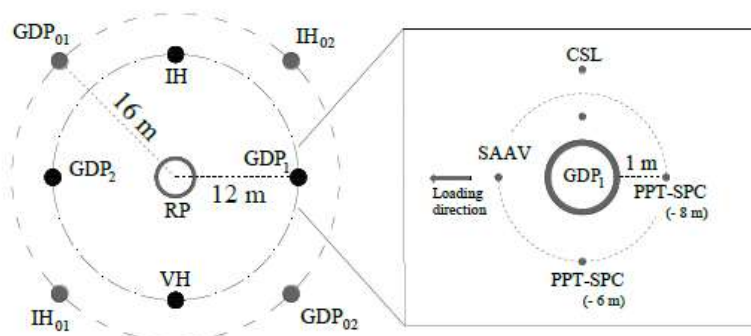
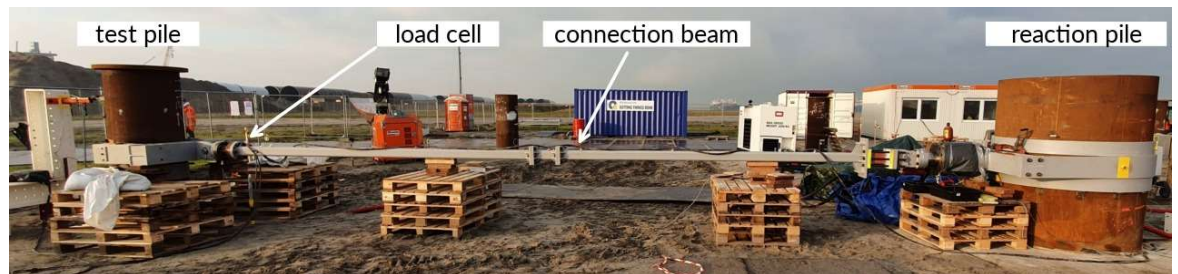
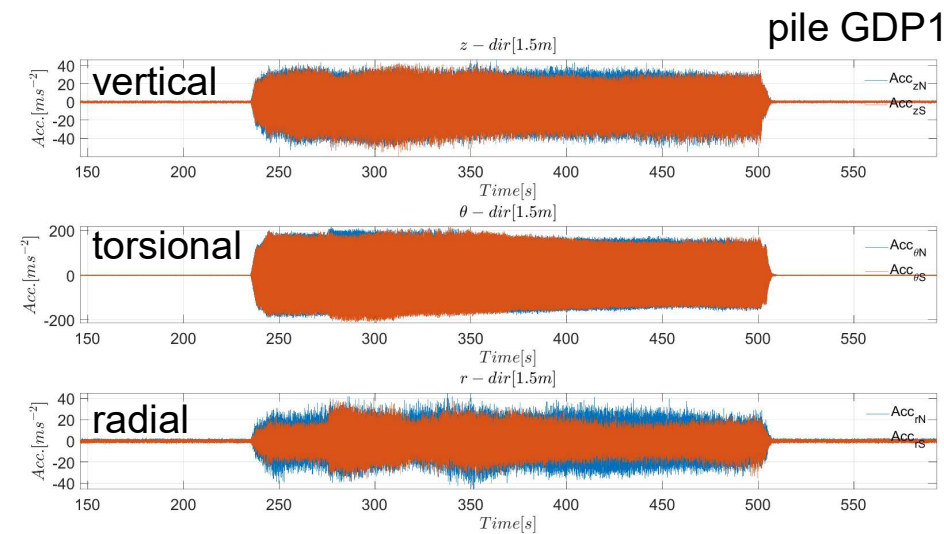


Figure 1.1: Instrumentation of a GDP pile.

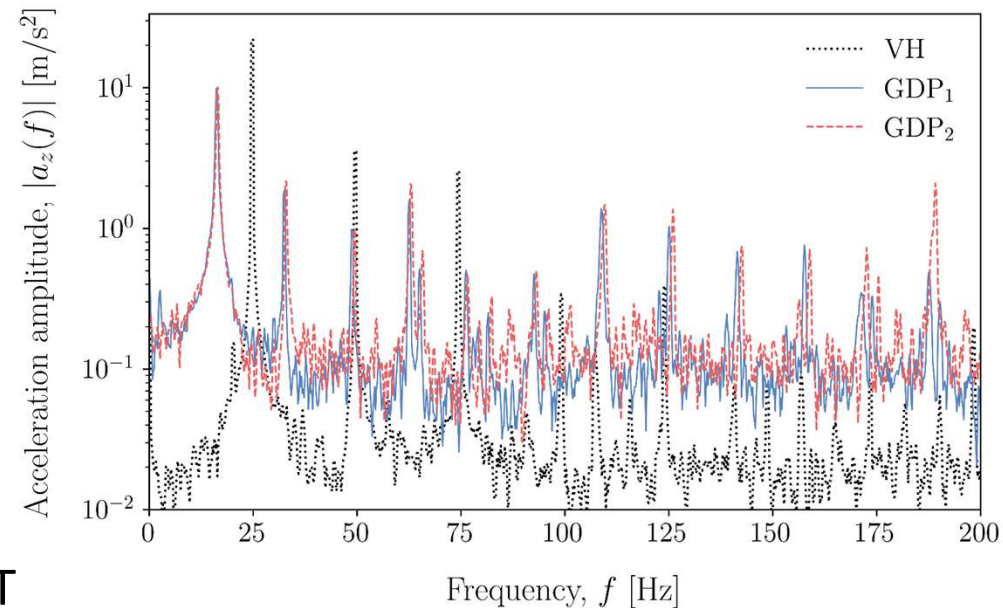


# GDP signal analysis

example by Sergio Sánchez Gómez



FFT



acceleration in time domain

acceleration in frequency domain for  
vertical direction

## sampling – aliasing / wheel rotation movie

theory for continuous-time signals, in practice work with discrete time signals

- 30 frames per second (fps)
- periodic signal: 7 identical spokes in this wheel






# sampling – aliasing / imaging

2D signal (spatial domain, instead of temporal domain), sampling repetitive structure



sub-sampled image  
→ Moiré pattern

 original digital image, 13 Mpixel

## MUDE week 2.3 material

**MUDE textbook** – theory, derivations, in a natural order (6 chapters, each supplemented by a video ~ 10 min)

**3 worked examples**: pen+paper-exercise (SP-problem solving – chapters 1-3)

**1** simple **Jupyter Notebook**: to demonstrate Fourier series (experience)

**1 quiz** on sampling (chapter 4)

**workshop (Wed)**: Jupyter Notebook (DFT)

**group assignment (Fri)**: analysing signals in frequency domain, in Python (synthetic, cantilever beam, sea-level) – hand-in .ipynb Notebook (for **grading**); 10 tasks (last one optional) – no separate md report



week 48

Monday, 25 November 2024 - Sunday, 1 December 2024

Activities of all types shown



Today



Mon 25 Nov

Tue 26 Nov

Wed 27 Nov

Thu 28 Nov

Fri 29 Nov

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08:45 - 12:45

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## MUDE week 2.3 journey

learning objective:

*understanding of, and insight in analysing signals, in particular in frequency domain*

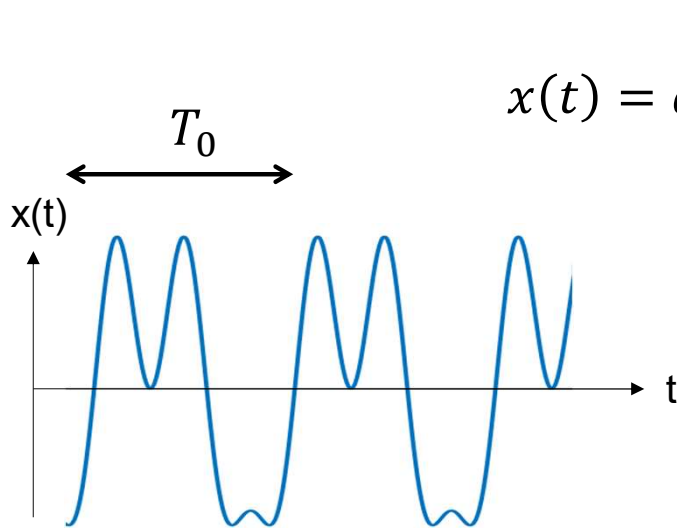
proofs and derivations will not be asked for in exam; instead, you need to be able to **apply** the theory to actual problems (problem solving), and **interpret** the results (as obtained with a Python Notebook)

no need to memorize equations

exam: focus on chapter 4 (sampling) and chapter 5 (DFT), Notebook on DFT (Wed), and in particular the questions in the group assignment (Fri)

# Fourier Series

express **periodic** signal  $x(t)$ , with period  $T_0 = \frac{1}{f_0}$ , as sum of harmonically related cosines and sines:



continuous time  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

$$x(t) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{k=\infty} a_k \cos(2\pi k f_0 t) + \sum_{k=1}^{k=\infty} b_k \sin(2\pi k f_0 t) \quad k \in \mathbb{N}^+$$

real Fourier Series

$$e^{j2\pi f_0 t} = \cos(2\pi f_0 t) + j \sin(2\pi f_0 t)$$

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{k=\infty} X_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

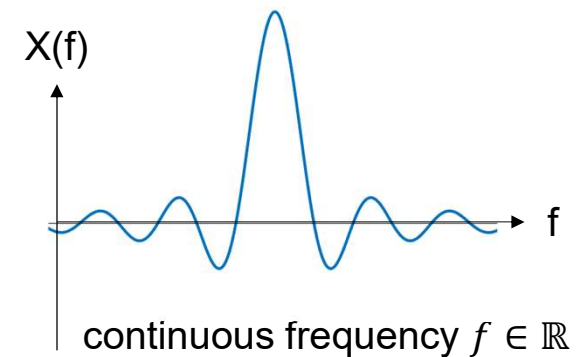
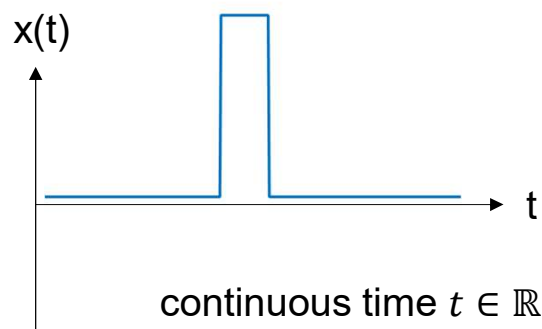
complex exponential Fourier series (**double sided**)

# Fourier transform

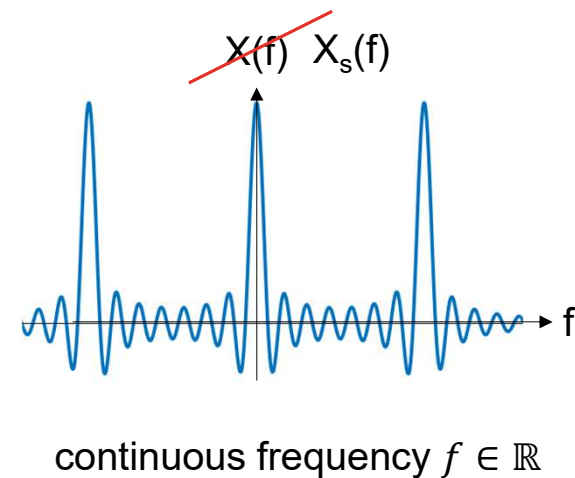
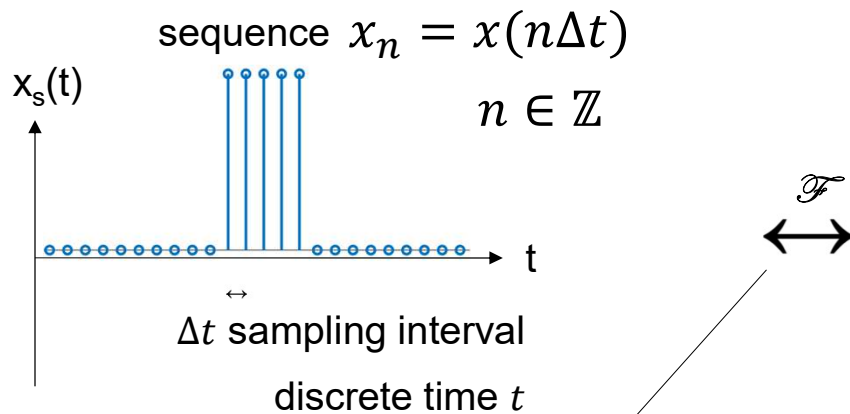
express **a-periodic** signal  $x(t)$ , as integral over frequency  $f$ :

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f) e^{j2\pi ft} df \quad f \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$e^{j2\pi ft} = \cos(2\pi ft) + j \sin(2\pi ft)$$



# sampling → discrete time

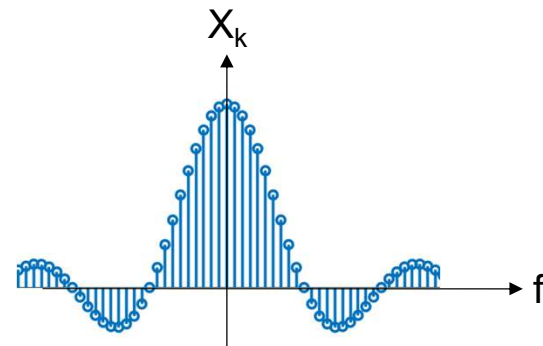


sampling in time domain generates **copies** of  $X(f)$   
in frequency domain

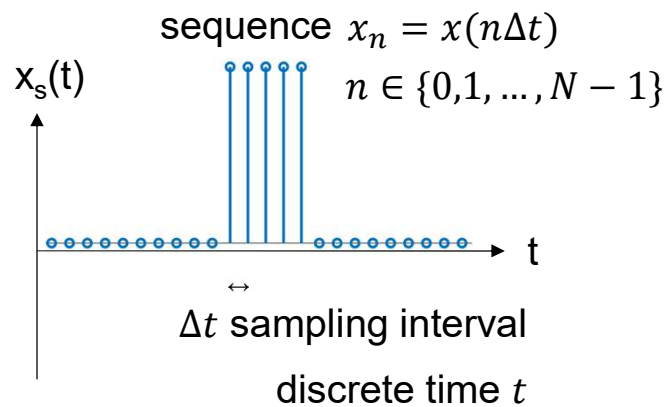
Discrete Time Fourier Transform (DTFT)

sample frequency domain:  $k\Delta f$

$k \in \mathbb{Z}$

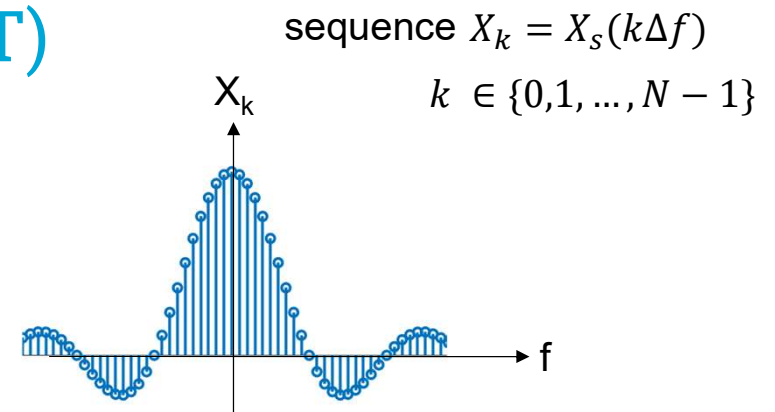


# Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)



$f \leftrightarrow t$

$\longleftrightarrow$

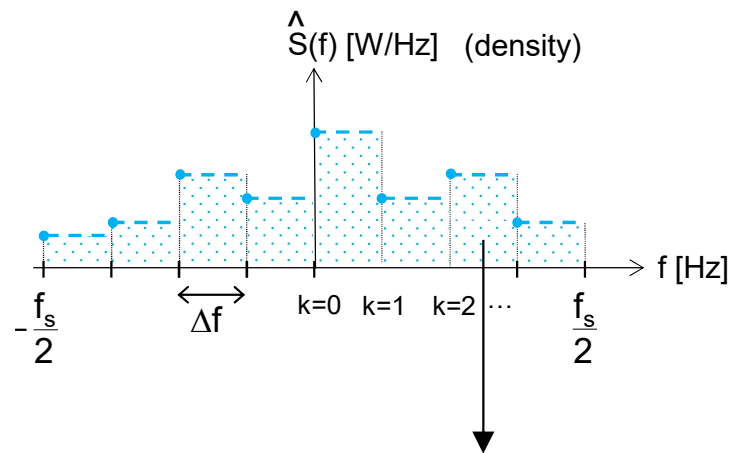


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 -0.1030 - 0.0608i  
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 -0.0960 - 0.0587i  
 -0.0938 - 0.0580i  
 -0.0916 - 0.0573i  
 -0.0895 - 0.0567i

# periodogram

**estimate** for Power Spectral Density (PSD) of signal  $x(t)$ :  $\hat{S}(k\Delta f) = \frac{1}{T} |X_k|^2$



shows how power of signal is distributed over different frequencies

signal power:  $P = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(f) df$

product  $\Delta f S(k\Delta f)$  is contribution by frequency band with width  $\Delta f$ , at frequency  $f = k\Delta f$ , to power  $P$  of signal



# Fourier transform - history



Jean-Baptiste Joseph Fourier 1768 - 1830

## Theoria Interpolationis – CF Gauss

Sit  $X$  functio arcus indeterminati  $x$  huius formae

$$\begin{aligned} &\alpha + \alpha' \cos x + \alpha'' \cos 2x + \alpha''' \cos 3x + \text{etc.} \\ &+ \beta' \sin x + \beta'' \sin 2x + \beta''' \sin 3x + \text{etc.} \end{aligned}$$

quae non excurrat in infinitum, sed cum  $\cos mx$  et  $\sin mx$  abrumpatur, ita ut multitudo coefficientium (incognitorum) sit  $2m+1$ . Pro totidem valoribus diversis ipsius  $x$ , puta  $a, b, c, d$  etc. dati sint valores respondentes functionis  $X$  puta  $A, B, C, D \dots$  (Ceterum valores ipsius  $x$ , quorum differentia est periphæria integra sive eius multiplum, manifesto hic pro diversis haberi nequeunt). Ex



Carl Friedrich Gauss 1777-1855

Leonhard Euler 1707-1783

Alexis-Claude Clairaut 1713 -1765

Daniel Bernoulli (1700-1782)

Joseph Louis Lagrange (1736-1813)



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