

AIRCRAFT ENGINES TIME-FREQUENCY ANALYSIS REALLOCATION ERRORS



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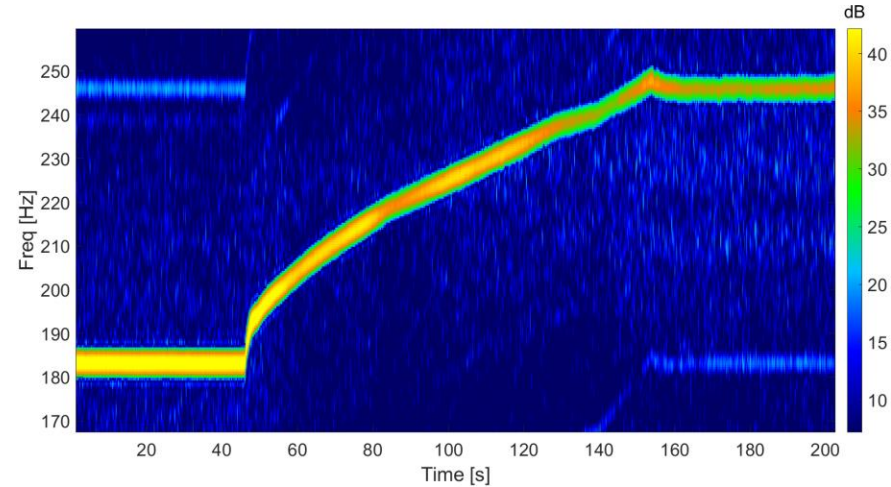
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Introduction

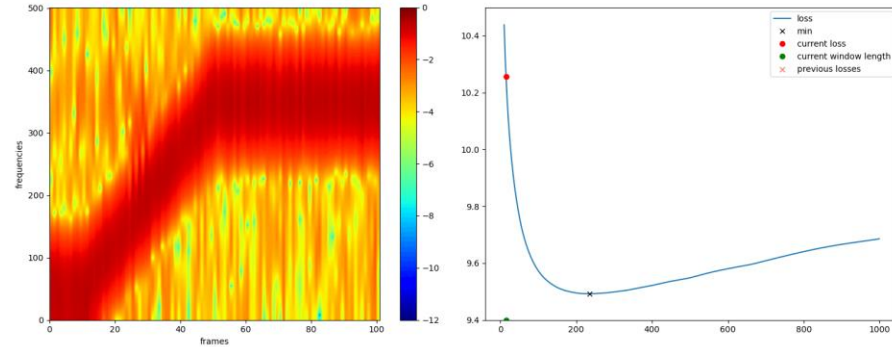
- Aircraft engines operate under varying conditions
- Importance of analyzing the acquired signals in Time-Frequency Representation (TFR)
- Multiple challenges
 - AM/FM signals, multi interferences within components, noisy varying phase, ...
- Varying signal characteristics over time
 - Need for an adaptation to maintain reliable time and frequency resolution



Frequency Reallocation

- Short-Time Fourier Transform (STFT)
- Provide information about frequencies energies evolution along time
- Time-Frequency (TF) trade-off
- Smaller window lengths provide better T resolution but poor F resolution
- Heisenberg-Gabor Uncertainty Principle
- TF resolution is limited by the choice of the window size
- Fixed window size unsuitable for varying regimes
- Small temporal window for fast varying regimes and longer ones for stationary modes.

→ Need for frequency reassignment



First Order Synchrosqueezing Transform (SST-1)

- Redistributing frequency components within TFR
- Need to compute an initial rough estimate of the instantaneous frequency channel

- The STFT is a complex number

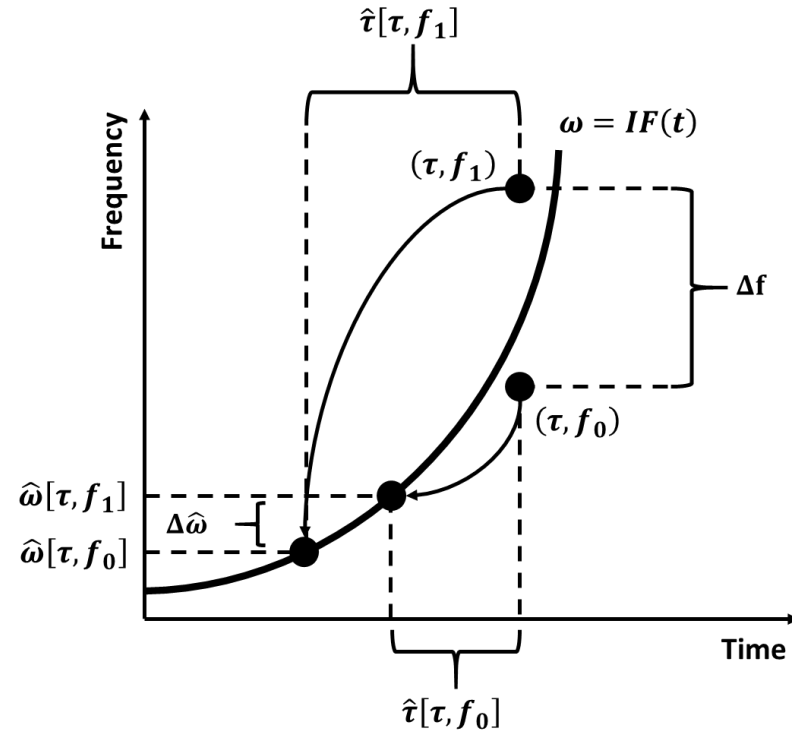
$$S_x^g[\tau, f] = X[\tau, f]e^{2\pi j\phi[\tau, f]} \rightarrow \hat{\omega} = \Delta_\tau \phi[\tau, f] = \frac{1}{\Delta\tau} \arg\{S_x^g[\tau, f] \times S_x^g[\tau - \Delta\tau, f]^*\}$$

- Reassignment operation

$$\tilde{T}[\tau, f] = \sum_{\omega: |\hat{\omega}[\tau, f] - \omega| \leq \frac{\Delta f}{2}} S_x^g[\tau, \omega]$$

- Rough assumption

$$\Delta_\tau^{[2]} \phi[\tau, f] \approx 0$$



Second Order Synchrosqueezing Transform (SST-2)

- High speed fluctuations
- Reallocations errors → need to consider fast variations of the speed

- Need to adapt the speed operator of SST-1

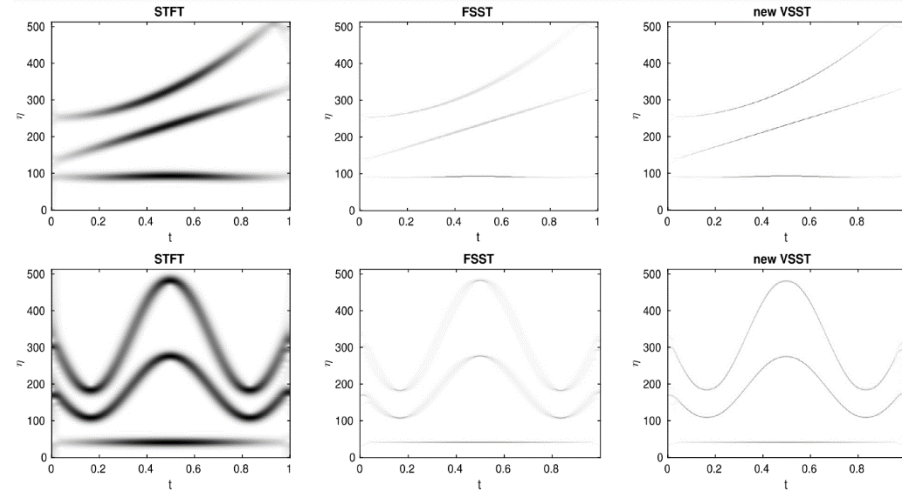
- $\hat{\omega}_x^{[2]}[\tau, f] = \hat{\omega}_x^{[1]}[\tau, f] + q[\tau, f] \times (\tau - \tau_x[\tau, f])$ $v = v_o + a \times t$

- $q[\tau, f] = \frac{\Delta_\tau \hat{\omega}_x^{[1]}[\tau, f]}{\Delta_\tau \tau_x[\tau, f]}$ $a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$

- Theoretically this is correct ...

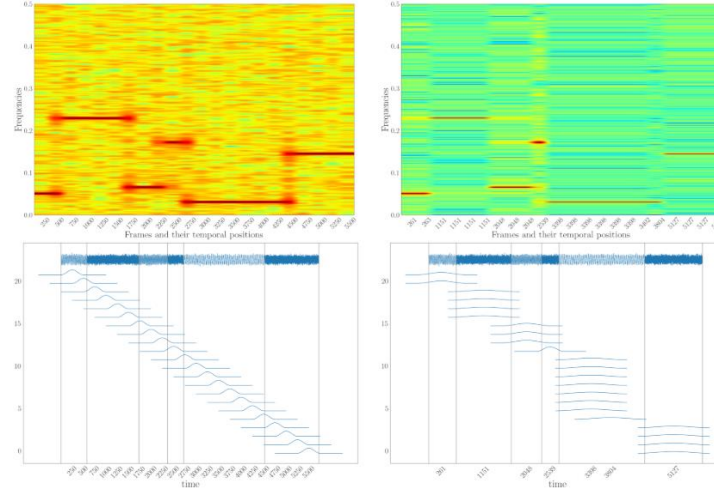
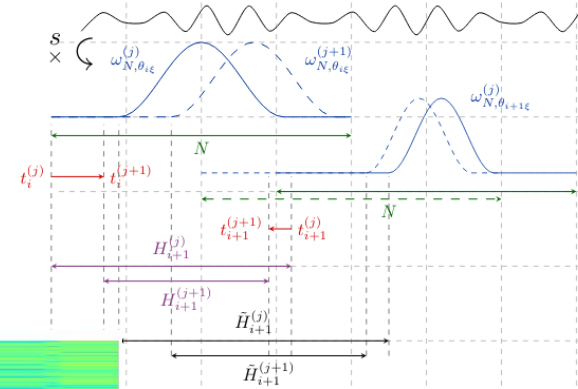
- But if the considered phase is noisy and the noise is uncorrelated, the ratio of differences will amplify the noise

- Need to consider those varying regimes without the limitation of noise amplification



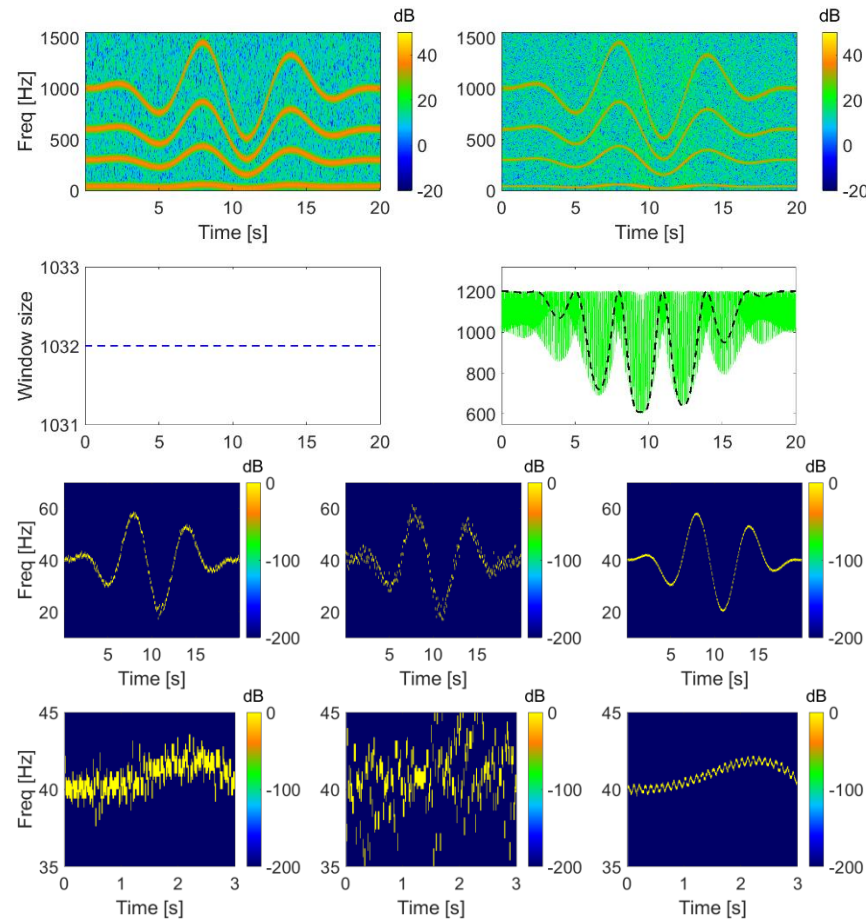
Differentiable Short-Time Fourier Transform (DSTFT)

- Extension for the STFT
- Enables the gradient-based optimization of the parameters
- Another perspective of STFT
- $S_x^g[\tau, f] \rightarrow S_x^{gN}[i, f]$
- Defined criterion
- Evaluation Goal: Extract frequency components
- Maximizing the kurtosis for each frame



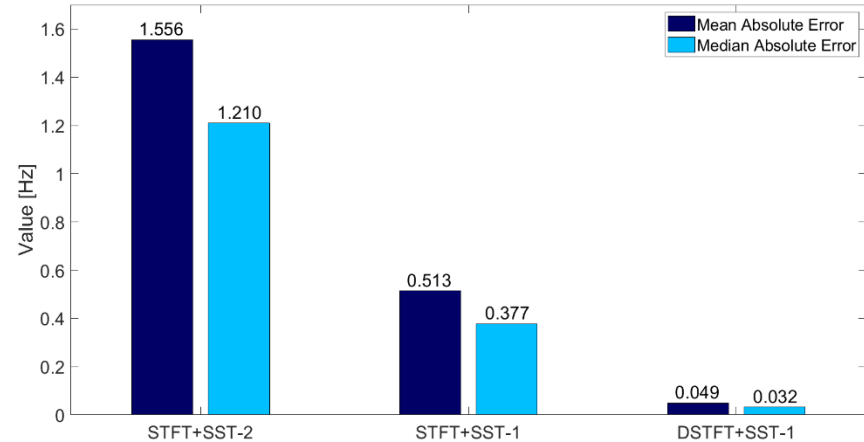
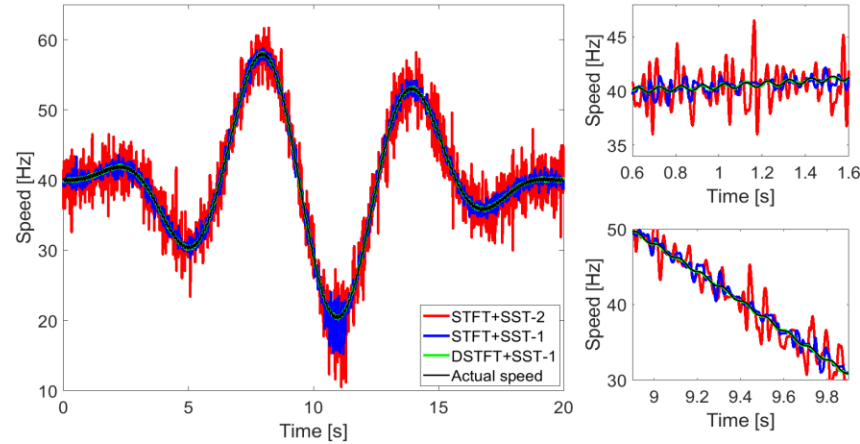
Simulation Case

- Simulated data with varying regime
- Spectrograms comparison
- DSTFT window distribution
- Proportional to $\frac{1}{\ddot{\theta}^2(t)}$
- If $\theta^2(t) \gg \rightarrow \theta \ll$ to consider high speed fluctuations
- Multiple methods comparison
- STFT + SST-1 / STFT + SST-2 / DSTFT + SST-1



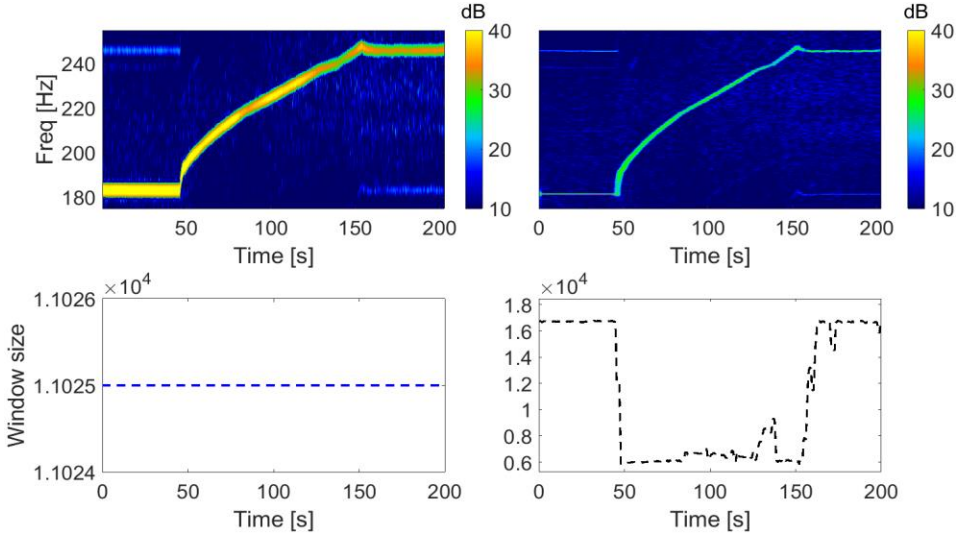
Simulation Case

- IF estimation
- Expected value of each STFT within the speed frequency band
- Close observation
- Most variance/error caused by conventional methods is clear within a certain regime of the speed
- Methodology outperformance
- Considering the varying regime results a better performance



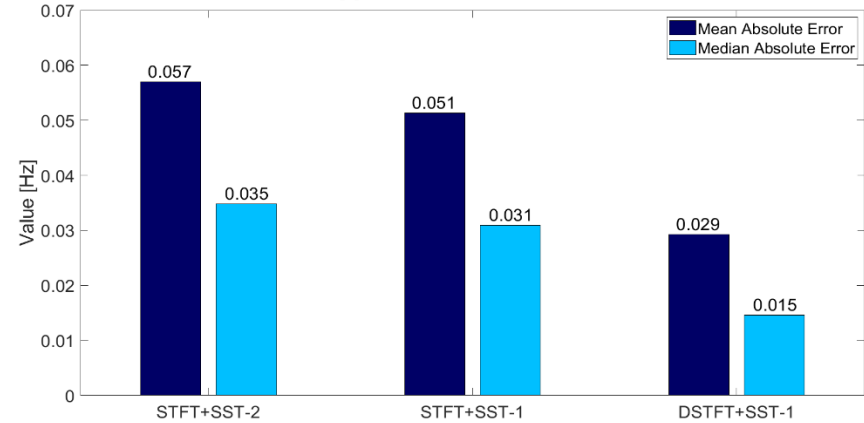
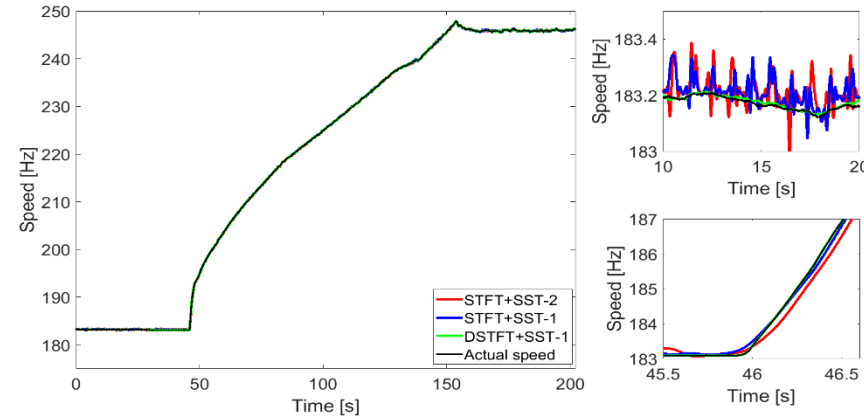
Experimental Case

- Aircraft engines operate under varying conditions
- Spectrograms comparison
- DSTFT window distribution
- Higher window length corresponds to stationary regimes
- Lower window lengths starts at the first hop frame



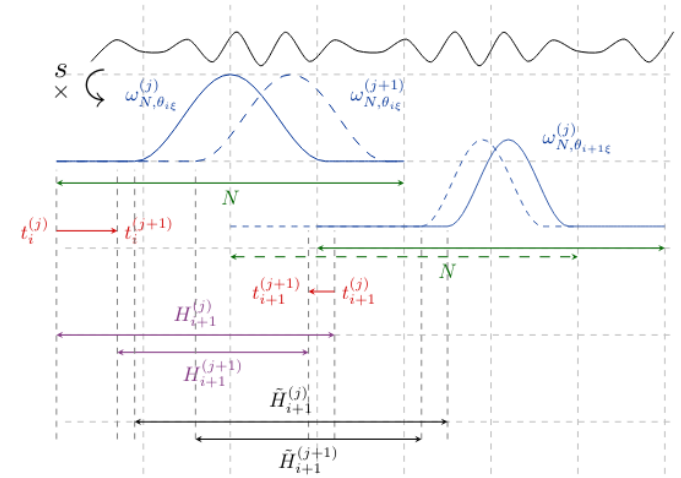
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Discussion and Perspectives

- Regime tracking
- Information about the system's behavior
- Speed fluctuations
- AM and FM objectives
- Window shape
- Extension of gradient-based parameters
- Defined criterion
- Modify the loss function according to the desired goal



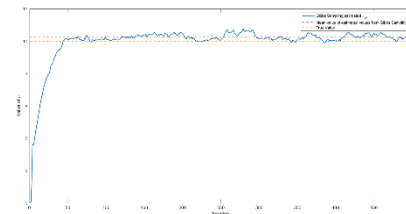
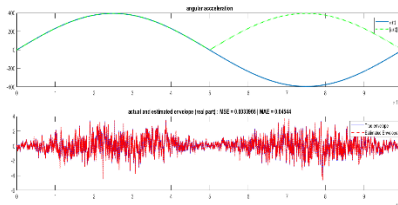
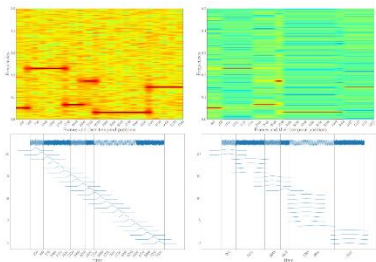
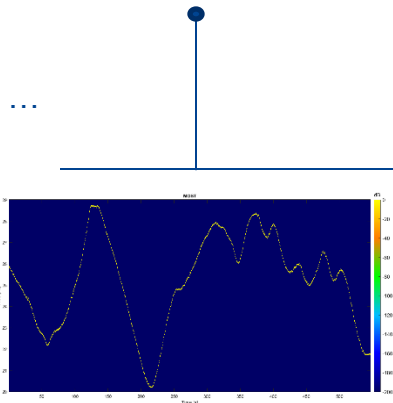
Timeline

Multi Order Synchro-squeezing

DSTFT + SST-1

Transform (MOST)

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CNS component separation

Speed-dependent VKF

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Fully automated adaptation



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