

1. Gabor analysis:

a. Operators: $\alpha, \beta > 0$; $T_\alpha: L^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R})$ - shift
 $M_\beta: L^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R})$ - modulation.

They are defined as follows:

$$T_\alpha: f \mapsto f(t - \alpha); \quad M_\beta: f \mapsto e^{2i\pi\beta t} f(t)$$

Time-frequency shift: Φ

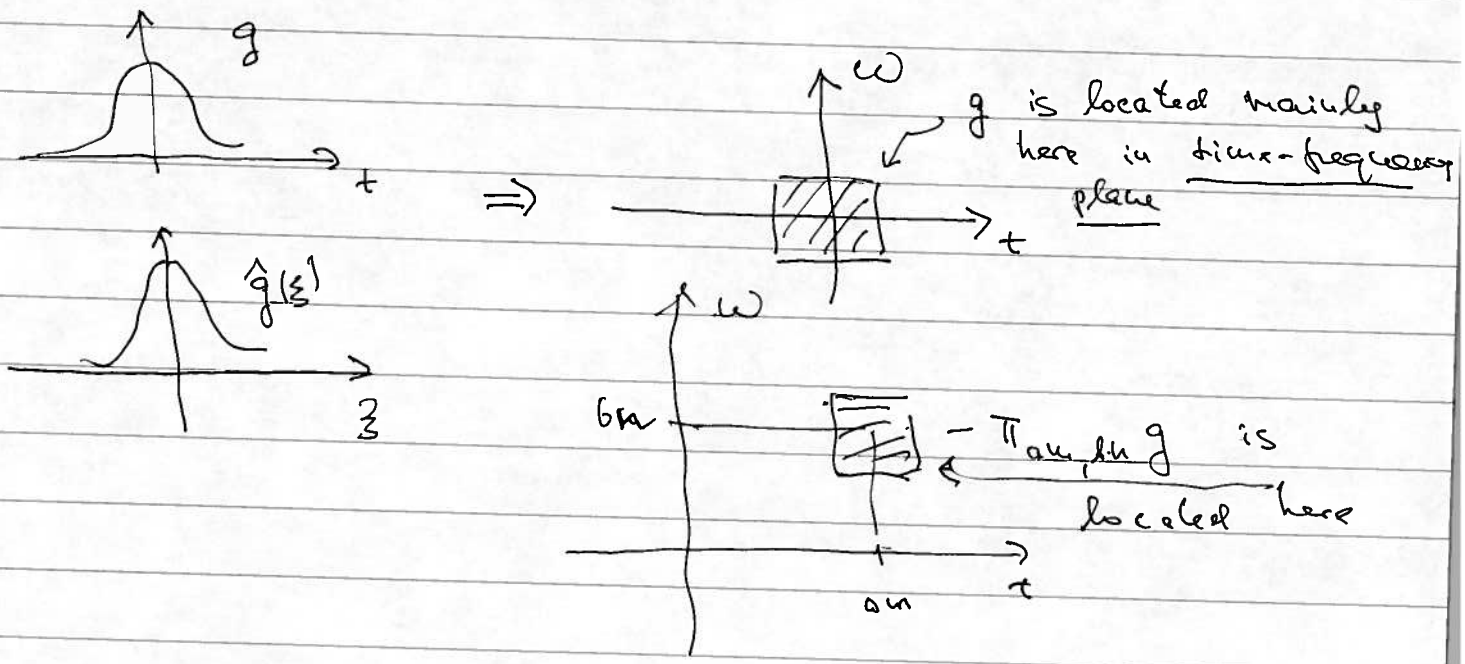
$$\pi_{\alpha\beta} f := M_\beta T_\alpha f = e^{2i\pi\beta t} f(t - \alpha)$$

b. Gabor system: Input: $g(t)$ -window, $a, b > 0$.

Output: Gabor system: ~~$\{ \pi_{\alpha\beta} g \}_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}}$~~

$$g(g; a, b) = \{ \pi_{\alpha\beta} g \}_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}} = \{ e^{2i\pi\beta t} g(t - \alpha) \}_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

c. Time-frequency interpretation:



d. Setting of the problem:

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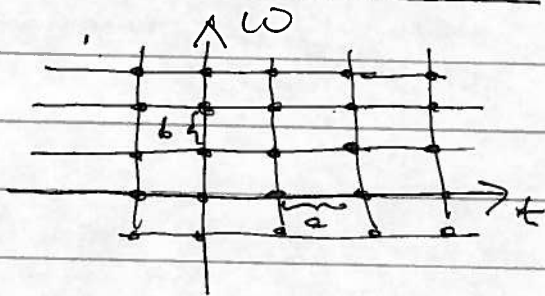
Given $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ find representation

$$f(t) = \sum_{m,n} c_{m,n} \pi_{a_m, b_n} g(t)$$

Interpretation If $c_{m,n}$ is large then the signal carries frequency $\omega = b_n$ at the moment $t = a_m$.

Heuristic: "Essential supports" of $\pi_{a_m, b_n} g$ should cover time-frequency plane sufficiently dense.

No-go theorem:
M. Rieffel: If $a < b$.



These supports are centered at \bullet

Measure of density: $(ab)^{-1}$

e. No-go theorem

M. Rieffel: $ab > 1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_f(g; a, b)$ does NOT span $L^2(\mathbb{R})$, ~~for any~~ $g \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ no matter which $g \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ you take.

f. What happens if $ab \leq 1$?

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Example: $g(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < t < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_f(g; 1, 1)$ is an orthonormal basis in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

Disadvantage: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\hat{g}(\xi)|^2 \xi^2 d\xi = \infty$,

so it cannot be used for frequency localization

Exercise: Find another function g such that $\mathcal{O}_f(g; 1, 1)$ be an orthonormal basis in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

g. Balian-Low theorem:

$g \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, $\mathcal{O}_f(g; 1, 1)$ is an orthonormal basis in $L^2(\mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 |g(t)|^2 dt \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \xi^2 |\hat{g}(\xi)|^2 d\xi = \infty.$$

h. Proof of BL theorem step 1

Coordinate and impulse operators:

$$X: f \mapsto x f(x), \quad P: f \mapsto \frac{i}{2\pi} f'(x)$$

~~Notes~~ Properties:

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• Unbounded

• Domains D_X, D_P, D_{XP}, D_{PX}

$$\left. \begin{aligned} - \langle Xf, g \rangle &= \langle f, Xg \rangle \\ \langle Pf, g \rangle &= \langle f, Pg \rangle \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{well} \\ \text{when defined} \end{array}$$

$$\bullet (XP - PX)g = \frac{i}{2\pi}g \quad (!)$$

Digression: Quantum mechanical interpretation.

i. Idea of proof. We assume that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^2 dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\hat{f}(\xi)|^2 d\xi < \infty$$

or equivalently $f \in D$. $Xg \in L^2, Pg \in L^2$

If $\phi_{(n, n)}$ is an orthonormal basis then

$$Xg = \sum_{n, n} \langle Xg, \pi_{n, n} g \rangle \pi_{n, n} g$$

$$Pg = \sum_{n, n} \langle Pg, \pi_{n, n} g \rangle \pi_{n, n} g$$

and

$$\langle Xg, Pg \rangle = \sum_{n, n} \langle Xg, \pi_{n, n} g \rangle \langle \pi_{n, n} g, Pg \rangle$$

Direct calculation gives

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$$\langle Xg, \pi_{m,n}g \rangle = \langle \pi_{-m,-n}g, Xg \rangle$$

$$\langle \pi_{m,n}g, Pg \rangle = \langle Pg, \pi_{-m,-n}g \rangle$$

and finally $\langle Xg, Pg \rangle = \langle Pg, Xg \rangle$

or $\langle PXg, g \rangle = \langle XPg, g \rangle$ or

$$\langle (PX - XP)g, g \rangle = 0 \text{ in contradiction with (!)}$$

Remark: in this proof we assumed $g \in D_{PX} \cap D_{XP}$.
One needs additional passage to the limit in the general case.