

# 4T1: The Short-Time Fourier Transform

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# Short-time Fourier Transform

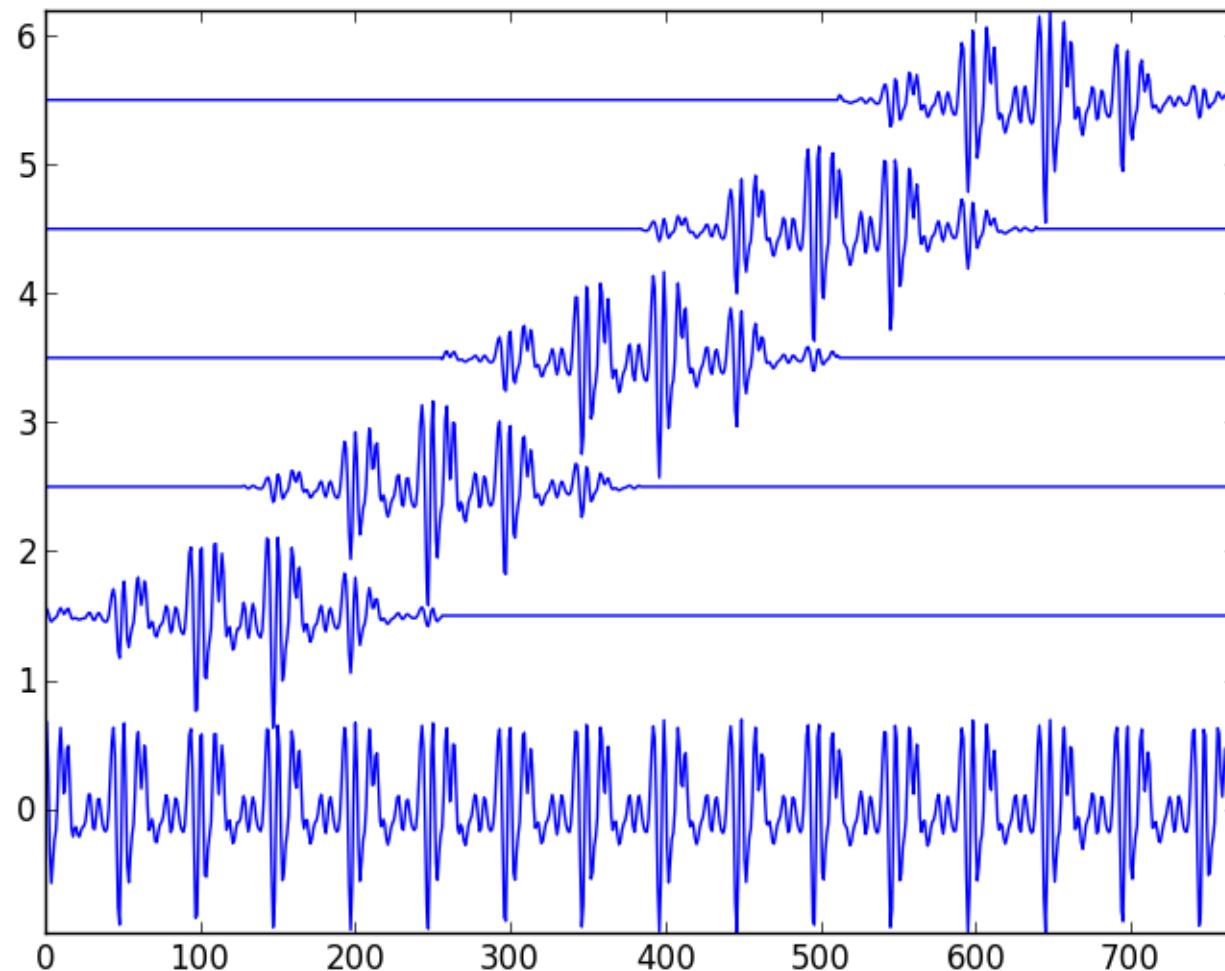
$$X_l[k] = \sum_{n=-N/2}^{N/2-1} w[n]x[n+lH]e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \quad l=0,1,\dots,$$

$w$ : analysis window

$l$ : frame number

$H$ : hop-size

$$xw_l[n] = w[n]x[n+lH] \quad l=0,1,\dots,$$

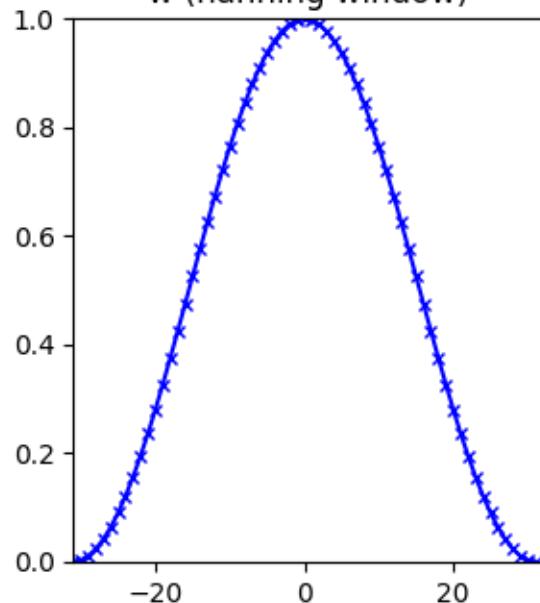


# Transform of a windowed sinewave

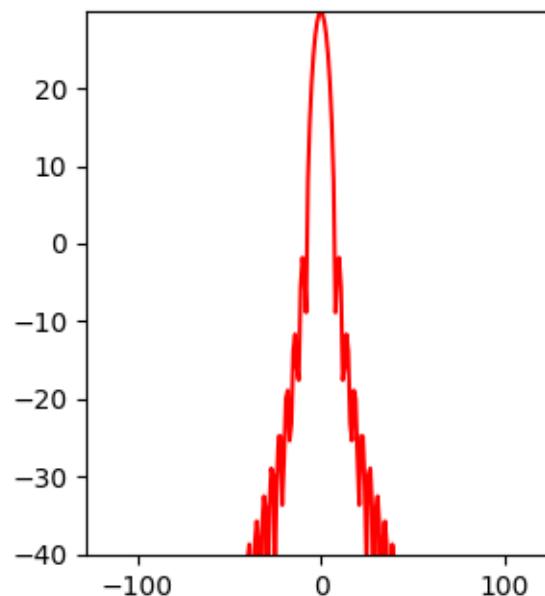
$$x[n] = A_0 \cos(2\pi k_0 n/N) = \frac{A_0}{2} e^{j2\pi k_0 n/N} + \frac{A_0}{2} e^{-j2\pi k_0 n/N}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X[k] &= \sum_{n=-N/2}^{N/2-1} w[n] x[n] e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \\ &= \sum_{n=-N/2}^{N/2-1} w[n] \left( \frac{A_0}{2} e^{j2\pi k_0 n/N} + \frac{A_0}{2} e^{-j2\pi k_0 n/N} \right) e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \\ &= \sum_{n=-N/2}^{N/2-1} w[n] \frac{A_0}{2} e^{j2\pi k_0 n/N} e^{-j2\pi kn/N} + \sum_{n=-N/2}^{N/2-1} w[n] \frac{A_0}{2} e^{-j2\pi k_0 n/N} e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \\ &= \frac{A_0}{2} \sum_{n=-N/2}^{N/2-1} w[n] e^{-j2\pi(k-k_0)n/N} + \frac{A_0}{2} \sum_{n=-N/2}^{N/2-1} w[n] e^{-j2\pi(k+k_0)n/N} \\ &= \frac{A_0}{2} W[k - k_0] + \frac{A_0}{2} W[k + k_0] \end{aligned}$$

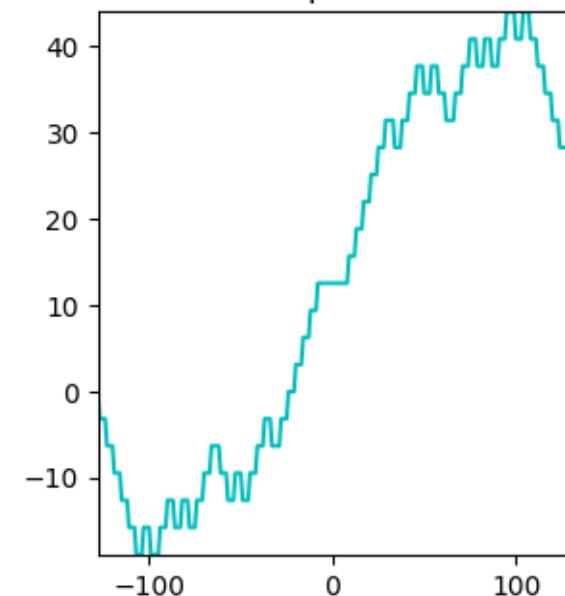
w (hanning window)



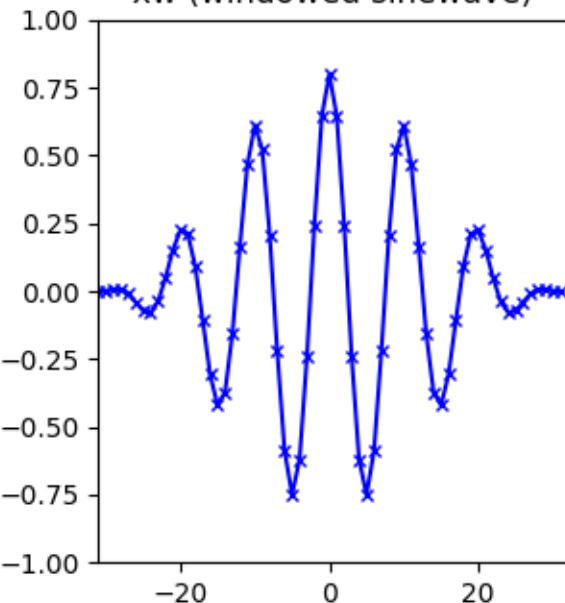
mW



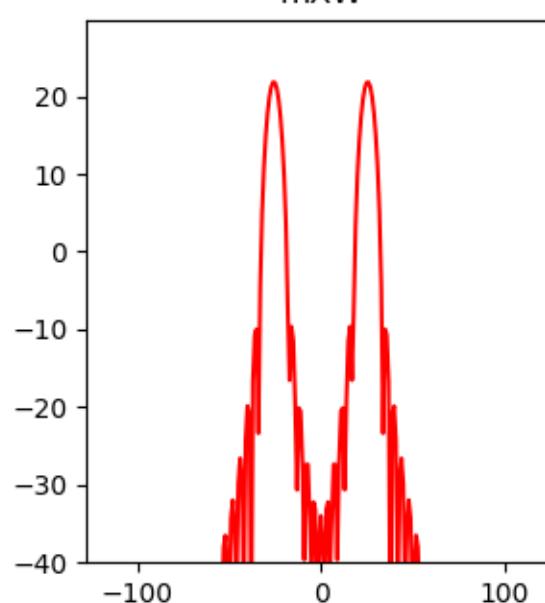
pW



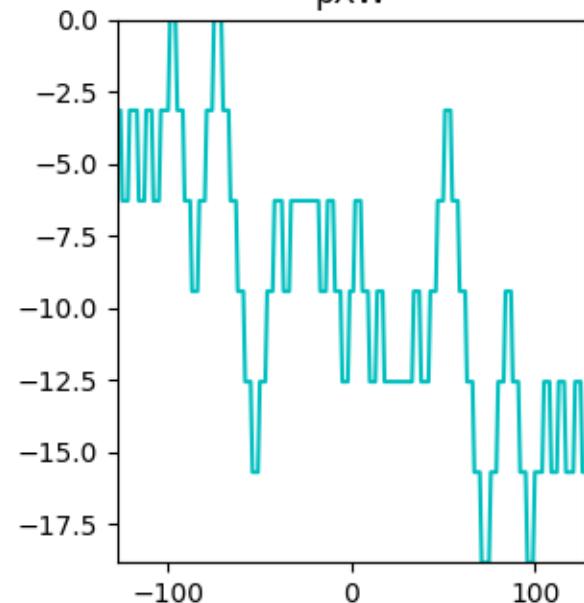
xw (windowed sinewave)



mXW

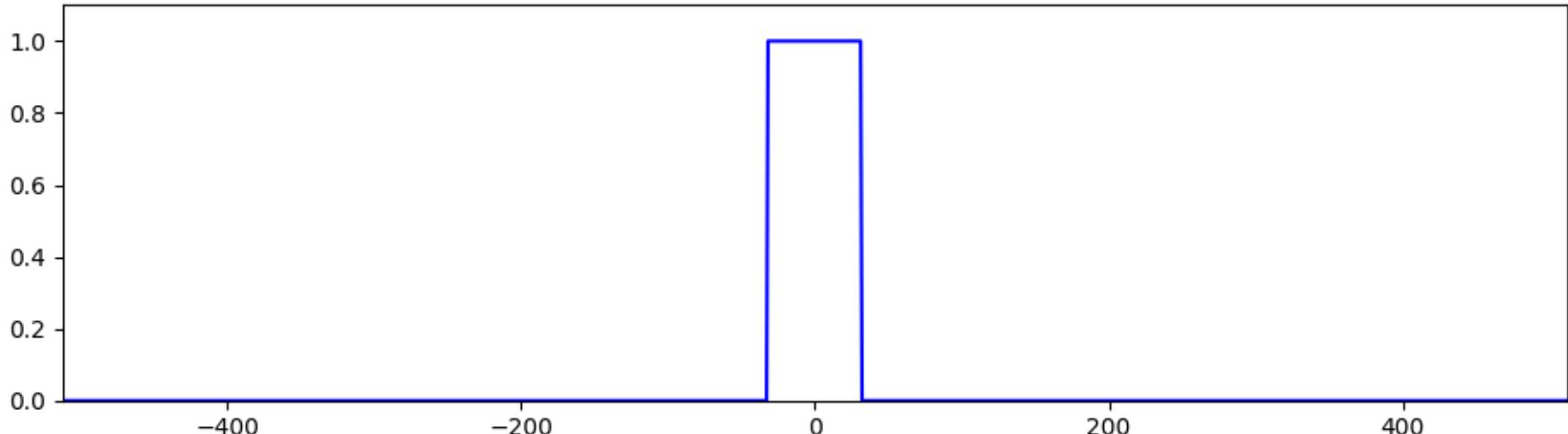


pXW

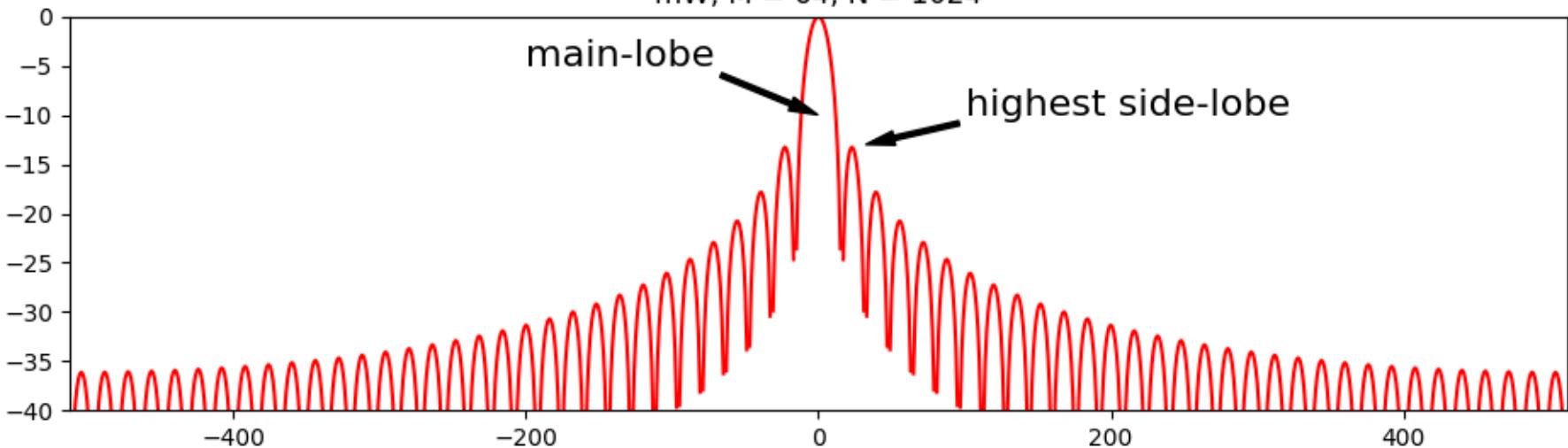


# Analysis window

w (rectangular window), M = 64



mW, M = 64, N = 1024



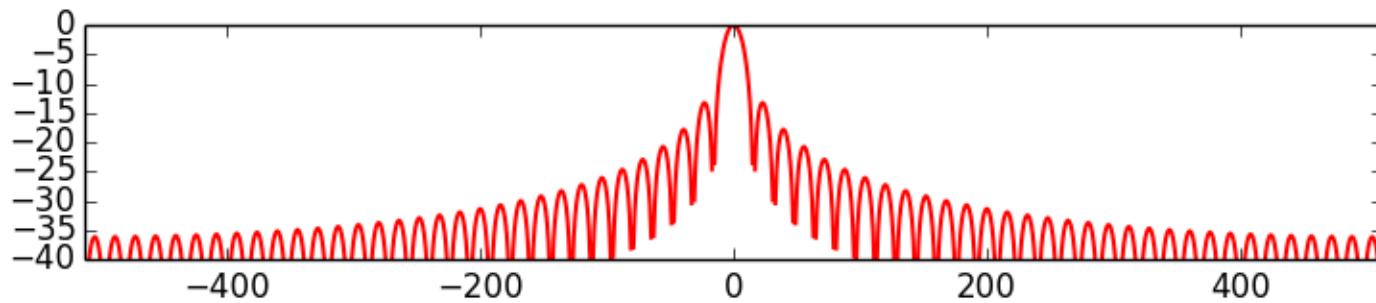
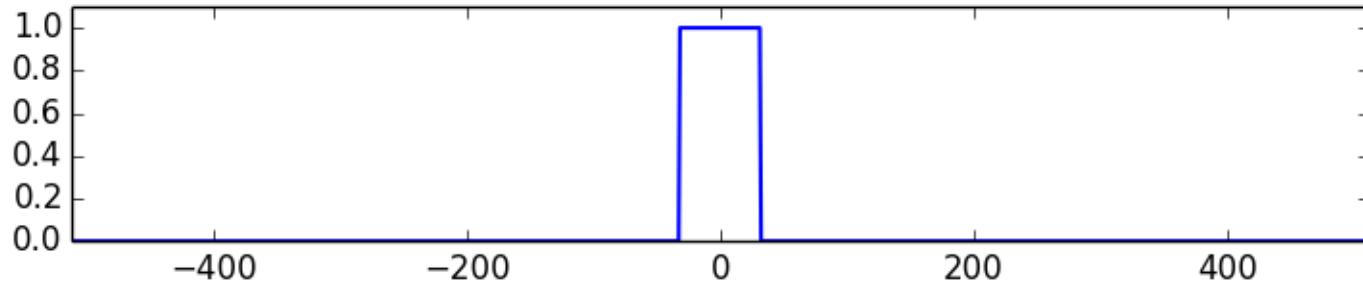
# Window functions in Scipy

bartmann (M[, sym])	Return a modified Bartlett-Hann window.
bartlett (M[, sym])	Return a Bartlett window.
blackman (M[, sym])	Return a Blackman window.
blackmanharris (M[, sym])	Return a minimum 4-term Blackman-Harris window.
bohman (M[, sym])	Return a Bohman window.
boxcar (M[, sym])	Return a boxcar or rectangular window.
chebwin (M, at[, sym])	Return a Dolph-Chebyshev window.
flattop (M[, sym])	Return a flat top window.
gaussian (M, std[, sym])	Return a Gaussian window.
general-gaussian (M, p, sig[, sym])	Return a window with a generalized Gaussian shape.
hamming (M[, sym])	Return a Hamming window.
hann (M[, sym])	Return a Hann window.
kaiser (M, beta[, sym])	Return a Kaiser window.
nuttall (M[, sym])	Return a minimum 4-term Blackman-Harris window according to Nuttall.
parzen (M[, sym])	Return a Parzen window.
slepian (M, width[, sym])	Return a digital Slepian window.
triang (M[, sym])	Return a triangular window.

# Rectangular window

$$w[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n = -M/2, \dots, 0, \dots M/2 \\ 0, & n = \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$W[k] = \frac{\sin(\pi k)}{\sin(\pi k/M)}$$

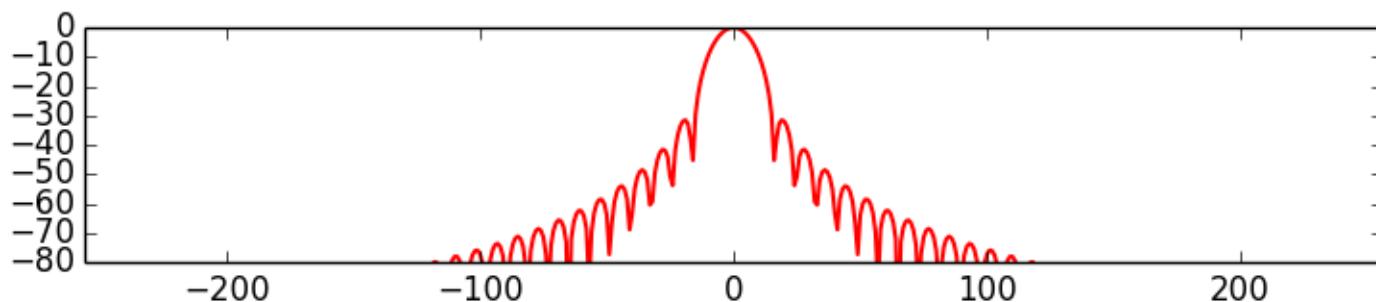
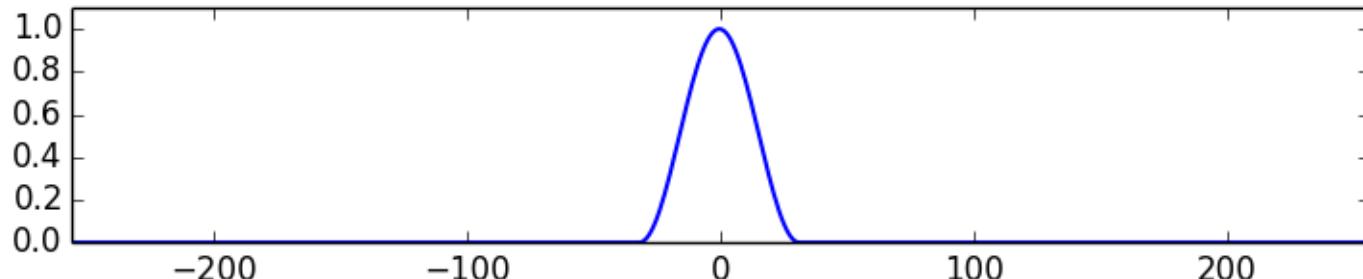


main-lobe width: 2 bins  
side-lobe level: -13.3 dB

# Hanning window

$$w[n] = .5 + .5 \cos(2\pi n/M), \quad n = -M/2, \dots, 0, \dots M/2$$

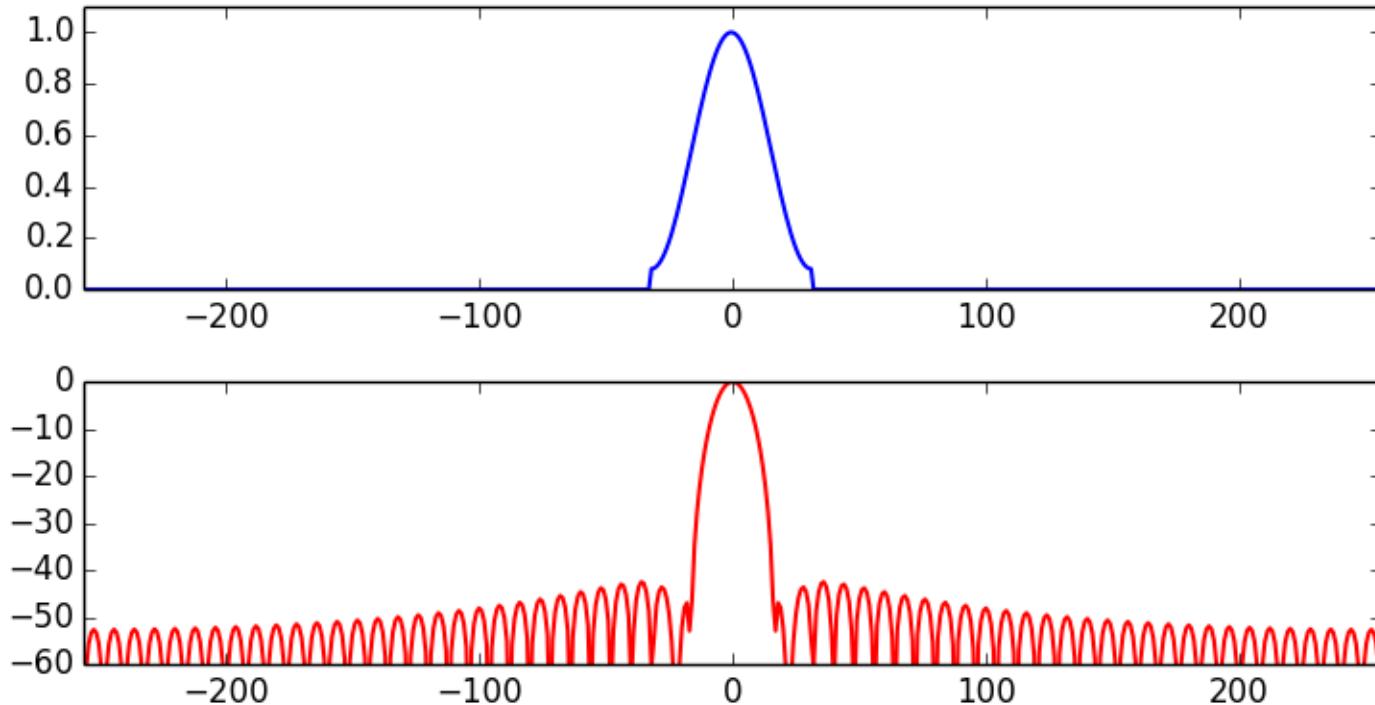
$$W[k] = .5 D[k] + .25(D[k-1] + D[k+1]) \quad \text{where } D[k] = \frac{\sin(\pi k)}{\sin(\pi k/M)}$$



main-lobe width: 4 bins  
side-lobe level: -31.5 dB

# Hamming window

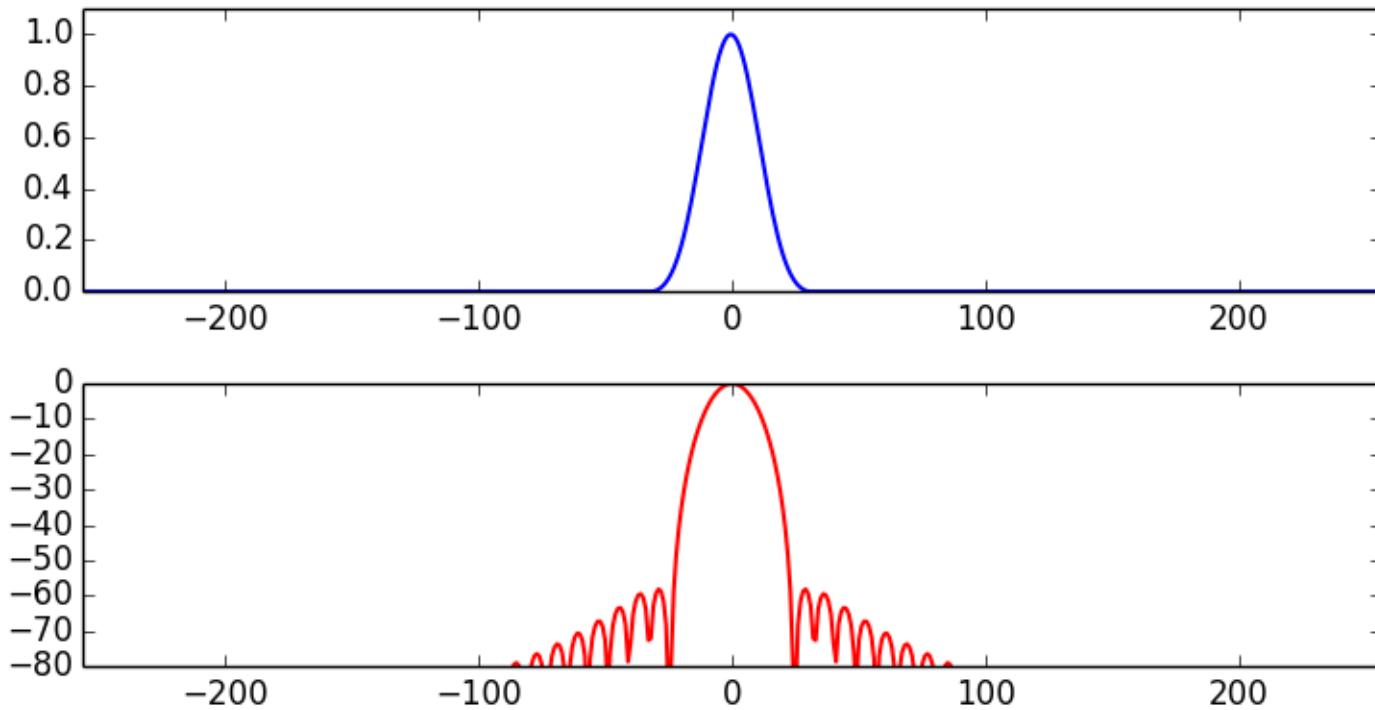
$$w[n] = .54 + .46 \cos(2\pi n/M), \quad n = -M/2, \dots, 0, \dots M/2$$



main-lobe width: 4 bins  
side-lobe level: -42.7 dB

# Blackman window

$$w[n] = 0.42 - 0.5 \cos(2\pi n/M) + 0.08 \cos(4\pi n/M)$$

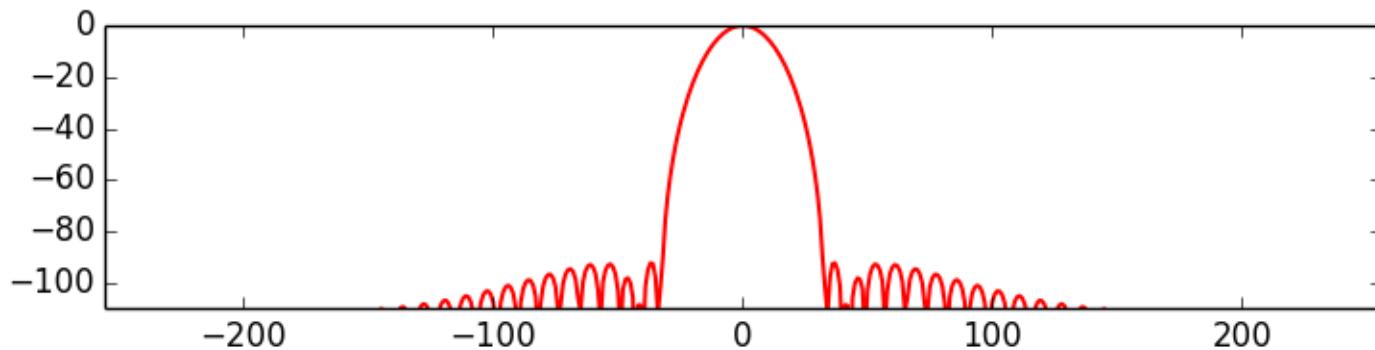
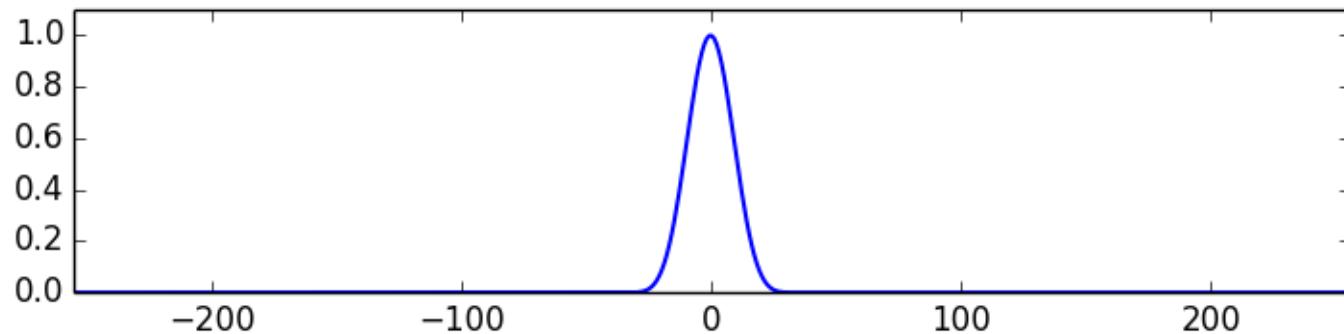


main-lobe width: 6 bins  
side-lobe level: -58 dB

# Blackman-Harris window

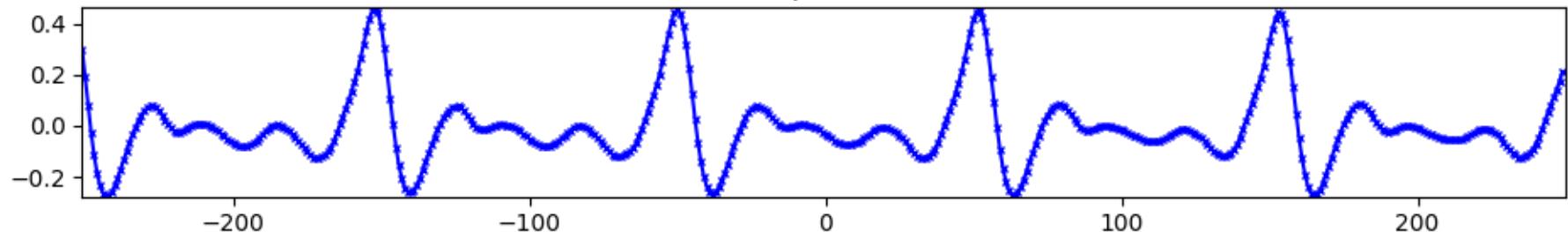
$$w(n) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{l=0}^3 \alpha_l \cos\left(2nl\pi/M\right), \quad n = -M/2, \dots, 0, \dots, M/2$$

where  $\alpha_0 = 0.35875, \alpha_1 = 0.48829, \alpha_2 = 0.14128, \alpha_3 = 0.01168$

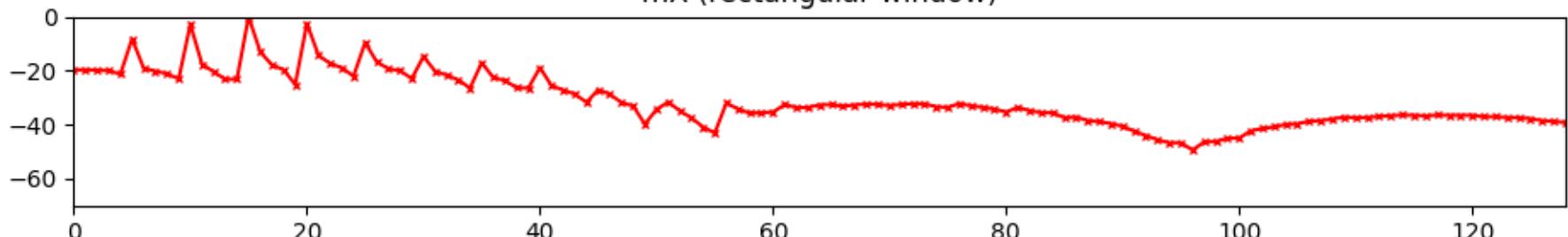


main lobe width : 8 bins  
side-lobe level : -92dB

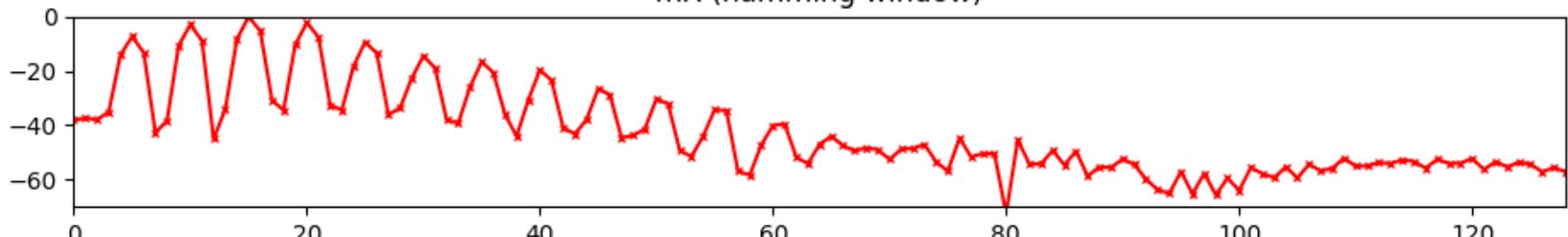
$x$  (trumpet-A4.wav)



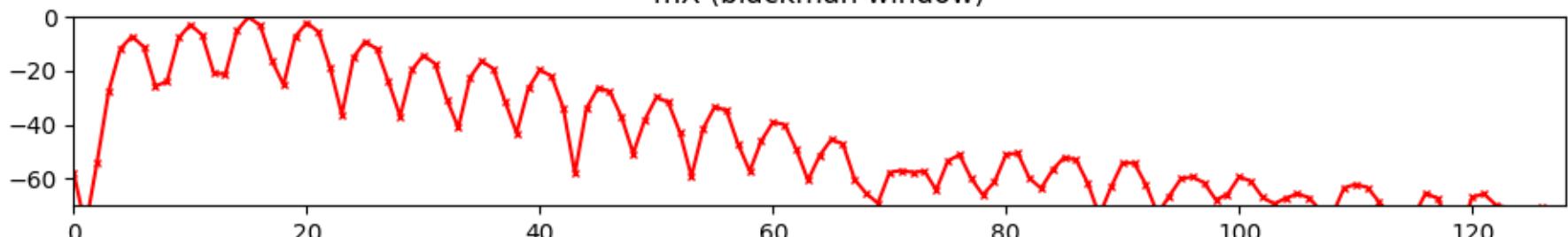
$mX$  (rectangular window)



$mX$  (hamming window)



$mX$  (blackman window)



# References and credits

- More information in:  
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/STFT>  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Window\\_function](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Window_function)
- Reference on the STFT by Julius O. Smith:<https://ccrma.stanford.edu/~jos/sasp/>
- Sounds from: <http://www.freesound.org/people/xserra/packs/13038/>
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