

# EE-679 Assignment 1B

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**Q.** Use your previous synthesized vowel /u/ at two distinct pitches ( $F_0 = 120$  Hz,  $F_0 = 220$  Hz). Keep the bandwidths constant at 100 Hz for all formants.

Vowel F1, F2, F3 /u/ 300, 870, 2240

We would like to use the DFT computed with various window lengths and shapes to estimate the vowel's  $F_0$  and formant frequencies and study the obtained accuracies with reference to our 'ground truth' values. For the analysis, use a single waveform segment near the centre of your synthesized vowel. Plot the magnitude (dB) spectrum with rectangular and Hamming windows of lengths: 5 ms, 10 ms, 20 ms, 40 ms, each with a large zero-padded DFT.

- Comment on the similarities and differences between the different computed spectra.
- Estimate the signal parameters from each of the magnitude spectra and report the error with respect to the ground-truth.

## Solution

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1  # initial package imports
2  import numpy as np
3  from scipy.signal import zpk2tf,freqz,sawtooth,square,impulse
4  from scipy.fft import fft,fftfreq
5  from math import pi
6  from numpy import exp,zeros_like,cos,sin,log10,angle,hamming
7  from numpy import convolve as conv
8
9  # to make the plots more TEX-like
10 import matplotlib
11 matplotlib.use('PS')
12 import pylab as plt
13 plt.switch_backend('PS')
14
15 plt.rcParams['text.usetex'] = True
16 plt.rcParams['text.latex.unicode']=True
17 plt.style.use(['bmh'])
18 plt.rcParams['font.size'] = 10
19 plt.rcParams['axes.labelsize'] = 10
20 #plt.rcParams['axes.labelweight'] = 'bold'
21 plt.rcParams['xtick.labelsize'] = 8
22 plt.rcParams['ytick.labelsize'] = 8
23 plt.rcParams['legend.fontsize'] = 10
24 plt.rcParams['figure.titlesize'] = 12
25 plt.rcParams.update({"axes.facecolor" : "white",
26                      "axes.edgecolor": "black"})
27
28
29 def generate_signal_response(t,sig,b,a):
30     """Generates the excitation signal response from the signal and filter
31         coefficients using the difference equation
32         inputs: t (time-vector of the excitation signal)
33                 sig (excitation signal)
34                 b,a (filter numerator and denominator coefficients)
35         output: returns the filter excitation response
36         """
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37     y = zeros_like(sig)
38     # difference equation
39     for n in range(len(sig)):
40         for k in range(len(b)):
41             if (n-k)>=0:
42                 y[n] += b[k] * sig[n-k]
43         for k in range(1,len(a)):
44             if (n-k)>=0:
45                 y[n] -= a[k] * y[n-k]
46     return y
47
48 def hamming_window(win_length,fs,output_signal,vowel,f0):
49     """Calculates the rectangular window operation and DFT of windowed signal
50     """
51     window_size = int(win_length*fs/1000)
52     window_signal = output_signal[:window_size] * hamming(window_size)
53     dft = fft(window_signal, n=1024)
54     freq = fftfreq(dft.shape[-1], 1/fs)
55     s = "Hamming Window response of window length: {}ms for
56         vowel: '{}' with signal freq: {}Hz"
57     plt.figure()
58     plt.title(s.format(win_length,vowel,f0) ,fontsize=12,weight="bold")
59     plt.plot(abs(freq),20*log10(abs(dft)), 'b',linewidth=0.7)
60     plt.ylabel(r"$|H(\Omega)|$",fontsize=10)
61     plt.xlabel(r"$\Omega$")
62     plt.xlim(xmin=0)
63     plt.grid("True")
64     plt.tight_layout()
65     plt.savefig("../plots/Hamming_Window_Freq_resp_"+vowel+"_"+str(f0)+"_"+
66                 str(win_length)+".png",bbox_inches="tight",pad=-1,format="png")
67
68 def rectangular_window(win_length,fs,output_signal,vowel,f0):
69     """Calculates the rectangular window operation and DFT of windowed signal
70     """
71     window_size = int(win_length*fs/1000)
72     window_signal = output_signal[:window_size]
73     dft = fft(window_signal, n=1024)
74     freq = fftfreq(dft.shape[-1], 1/fs)
75     s = "Rectangular Window response of window length: {}ms for
76         vowel: '{}' with signal freq: {}Hz"
77     plt.figure()
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81     plt.xlabel(r"$\Omega$")
82     plt.xlim(xmin=0)
83     plt.grid("True")
84     plt.tight_layout()
85     plt.savefig("../plots/Rect_Window_Freq_resp_"+vowel+"_"+str(f0)+"_"+
86                 str(win_length)+".png",bbox_inches="tight",pad=-1,format="png")
87
88 def vocal_tract(formant_frequencies,f_sampling):
89     """Given the formant frequencies calculates the numerator and denominator
90     coefficients by convolving between the different formant frequencies
91     inputs: formant_frequencies (list of the formant frequencies)
92     outputs: numerator and denominator coefficients
93     """
94     global bw
95     r = []
96     theta = []
97     ts = 1/f_sampling
98     for i in formant_frequencies:
99         r.append(np.exp(-pi*bw*ts)) #radius in z-plane
100         theta.append(2*pi*i*ts) #angle in z-plane
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102     denom_coeffs = []
103     num_coeffs = []
104     convolved_a = 1
105     for radius,angle in zip(r,theta):
106         poles = [radius*exp(1j*angle),radius*exp(-1j*angle)]
107         zeros = zeros_like(poles)
108         b,a = zpk2tf(zeros,poles,k=1)
109         num_coeffs.append(b)
110         denom_coeffs.append(a)
111         convolved_a = conv(convolved_a,a)
112
113     denom_coeffs = zeros_like(convolved_a)
114     denom_coeffs[0] = 1
115
116     return denom_coeffs,convolved_a
117
118 def generate_vowels(formant_frequencies,bandwidth,signal_frequency,vowel,time,f_sampling,
119                    window,win_length):
120     ts = 1/f_sampling # sampling time
121     num_samples = int(f_sampling*time) # total number of signal samples
122     b,a = vocal_tract(formant_frequencies,f_sampling)
123
124     t = np.linspace(0,time,num_samples)
125     # sawtooth approximation using square
126     sig = square(2 * pi * signal_frequency* t, duty=0.01)+1
127
128     response = generate_signal_response(t,sig,b,a)
129     #plot_and_save_waveform(t,response,signal_frequency,f_sampling,vowel)
130     if window=="hamming":
131         hamming_window(win_length,f_sampling,response,vowel,signal_frequency)
132     elif window=="rectangular":
133         rectangular_window(win_length,f_sampling,response,vowel,signal_frequency)
134
135 f0 = [120,220]
136 formants = [300,870,2240]
137 vowel = "u"
138 duration = 0.5
139 fs = 16000
140 bw = 100
141
142 windows = ["hamming","rectangular"]
143 window_lengths = [5,10,20,40]
144
145 for sig_freq in f0:
146     for window in windows:
147         for win_len in window_lengths:
148             generate_vowels(formants,bw,sig_freq,vowel,duration,fs>window,win_len)

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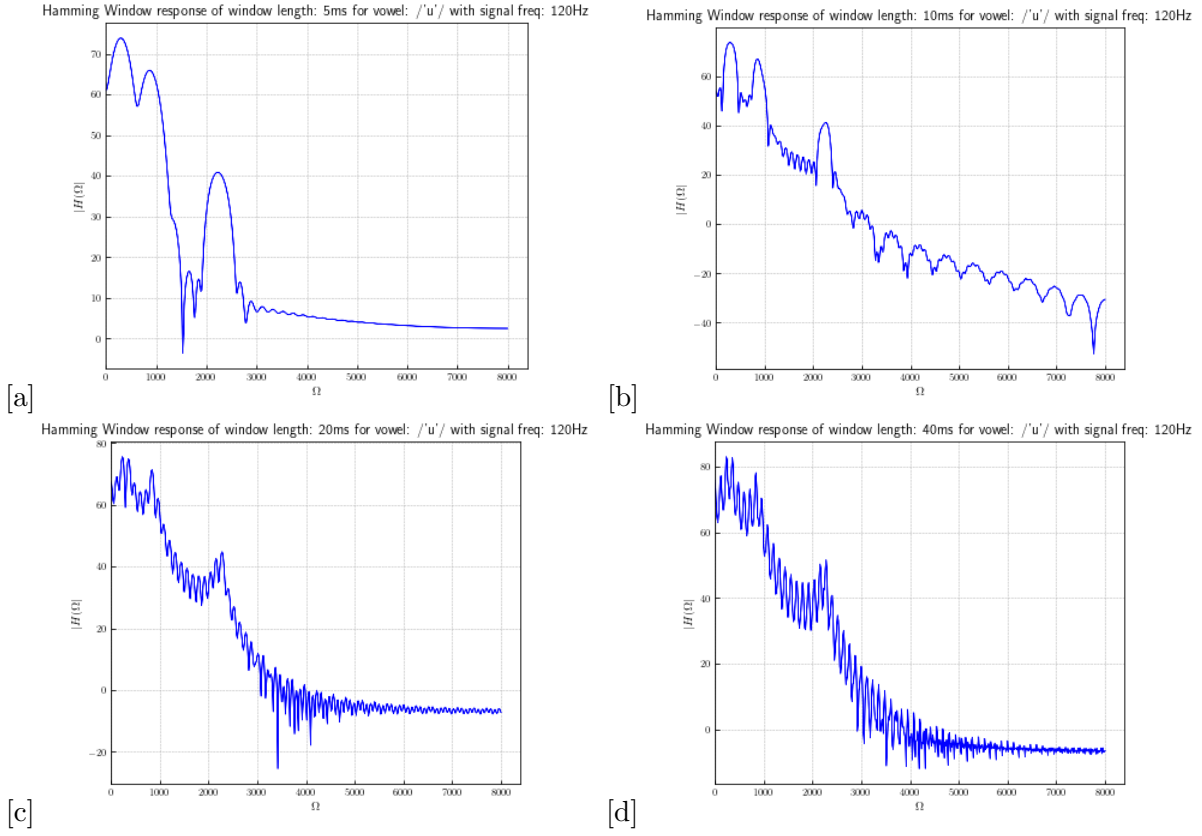


Figure 1: (a) Hamming Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 120\text{Hz}$  and Window Size=5ms (b) Hamming Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 120\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 10ms (c) Hamming Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 120\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 20ms (d) Hamming Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 120\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 40ms

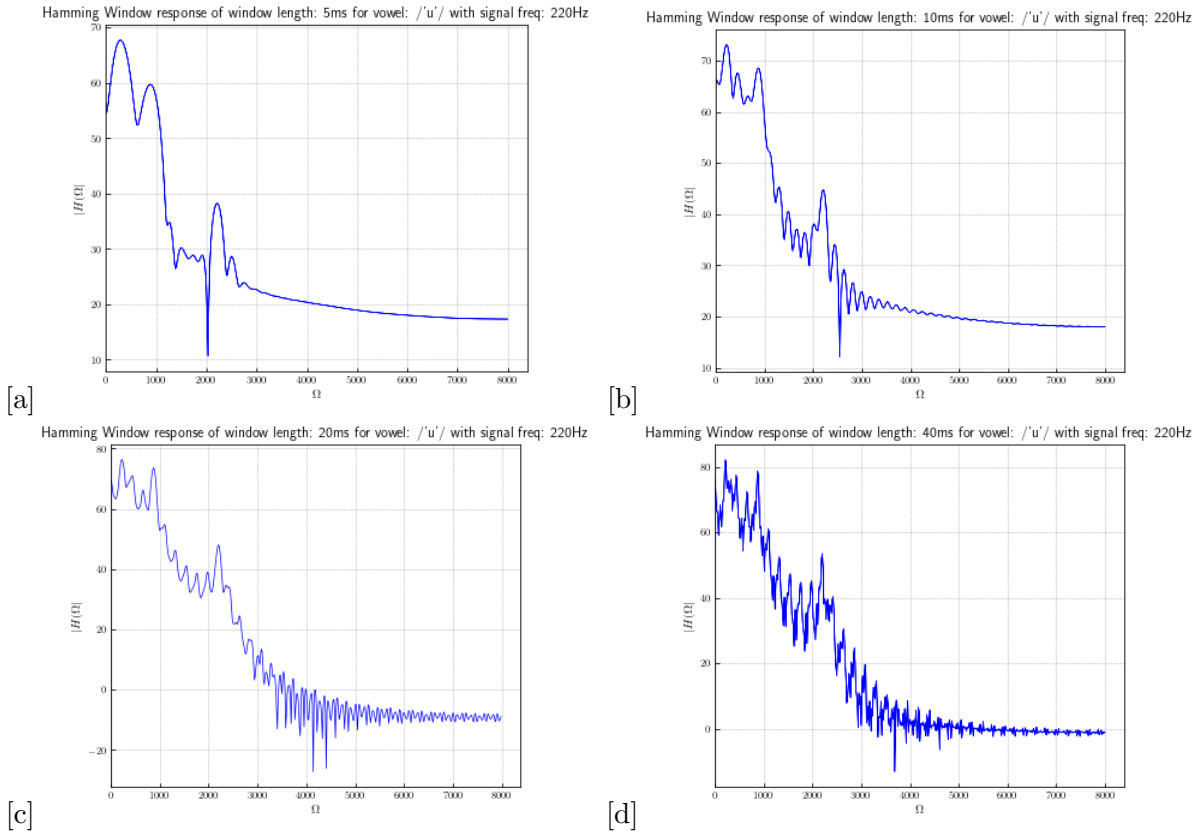


Figure 2: (a) Hamming Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 220\text{Hz}$  and Window Size=5ms (b) Hamming Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 220\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 10ms (c) Hamming Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 220\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 20ms (d) Hamming Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 220\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 40ms

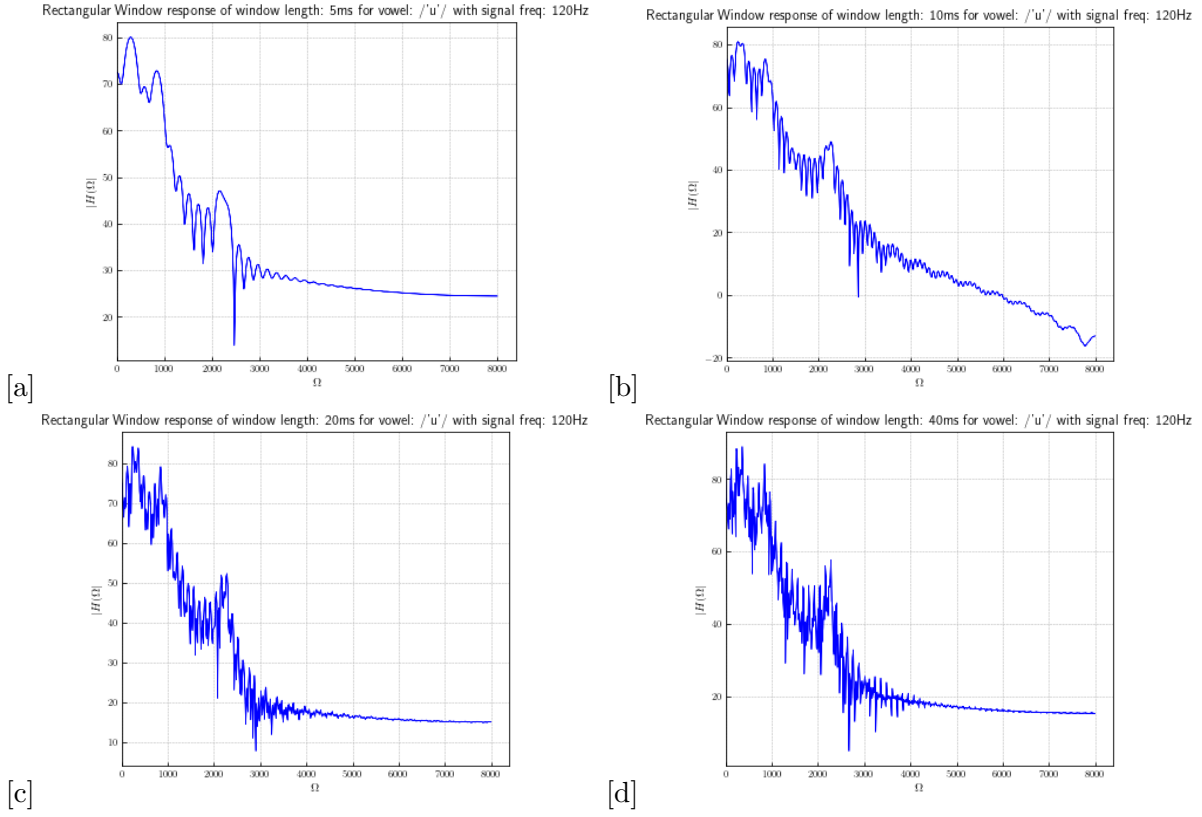


Figure 3: (a) Rectangular Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 120\text{Hz}$  and Window Size=5ms (b) Rectangular Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 120\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 10ms (c) Rectangular Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 120\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 20ms (d) Rectangular Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 120\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 40ms

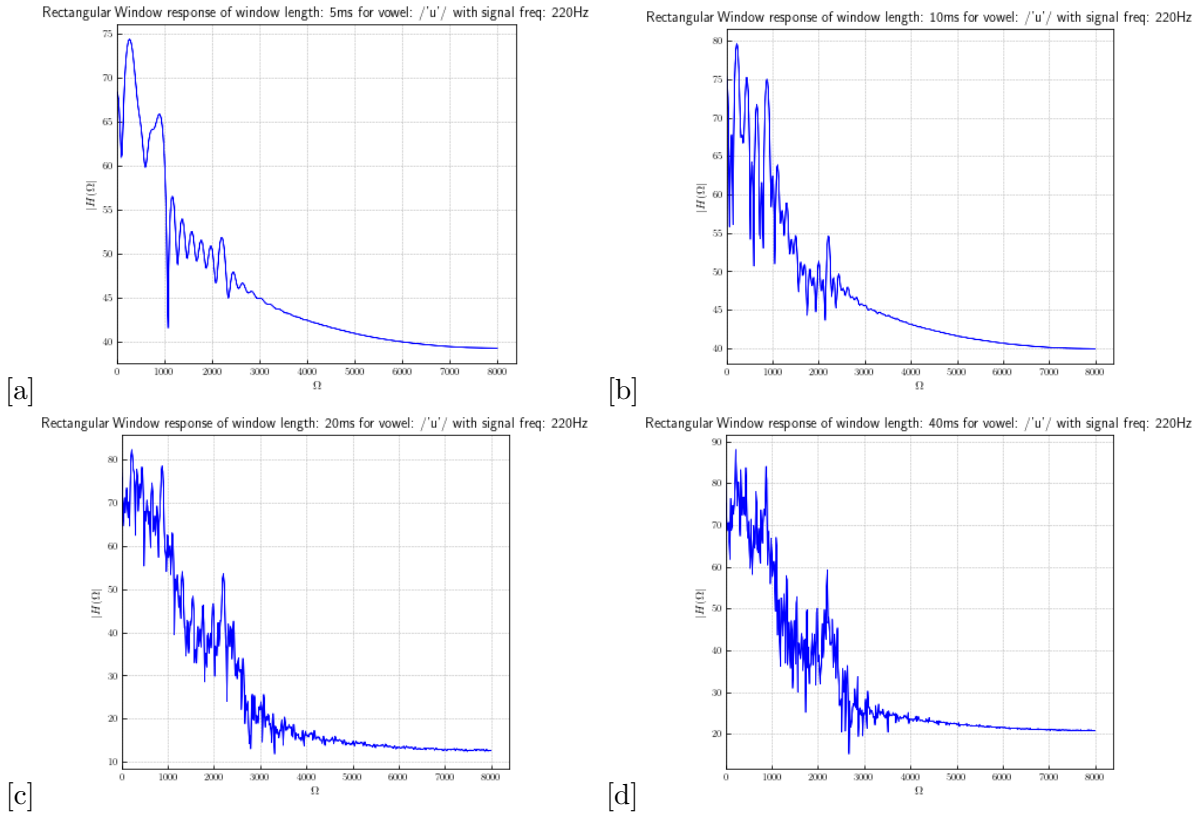


Figure 4: (a) Rectangular Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 220\text{Hz}$  and Window Size=5ms (b) Rectangular Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 220\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 10ms (c) Rectangular Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 220\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 20ms (d) Rectangular Window Response for vowel /u/ with  $F_0 = 220\text{Hz}$  and Window Size = 40ms

Ground Truth Frequency(Hz)	Values Detected from Hamming Window Responses							
	Window Lengths							
	5ms	Difference	10ms	Difference	20ms	Difference	40ms	Difference
F0 : 120 Hz	500 Hz	380 Hz	166 Hz	46 Hz	125 Hz	5 Hz	125 Hz	5 Hz
F1 : 300 Hz	300 Hz	0 Hz	295 Hz	5 Hz	246 Hz	54 Hz	239 Hz	61 Hz
F2 : 870 Hz	874 Hz	4 Hz	857 Hz	13 Hz	845 Hz	25 Hz	845 Hz	25 Hz
F3 : 2240 Hz	2231 Hz	9 Hz	2251 Hz	11 Hz	2281 Hz	41 Hz	2282 Hz	42 Hz
F0 : 220 Hz	500Hz	280 Hz	250 Hz	30 Hz	250 Hz	25 Hz	200 Hz	20 Hz
F1 : 300 Hz	300 Hz	0 Hz	234 Hz	66 Hz	231 Hz	69 Hz	222 Hz	78 Hz
F2 : 870 Hz	878 Hz	8 Hz	875 Hz	5 Hz	875 Hz	5 Hz	875 Hz	5 Hz
F3 : 2240 Hz	2222 Hz	18 Hz	2209 Hz	31 Hz	2202 Hz	38 Hz	2202 Hz	38 Hz

Table 1: Table for Comparison of Hamming Window

Ground Truth Frequency(Hz)	Values Detected from Rectangular Window Responses							
	Window Lengths							
	5ms	Difference	10ms	Difference	20ms	Difference	40ms	Difference
F0 : 120 Hz	125 Hz	5 Hz	125 Hz	5 Hz	125 Hz	5 Hz	125 Hz	5 Hz
F1 : 300 Hz	292 Hz	8 Hz	260 Hz	40 Hz	243 Hz	57 Hz	245 Hz	55 Hz
F2 : 870 Hz	851 Hz	19 Hz	843 Hz	27 Hz	846 Hz	24 Hz	849 Hz	21 Hz
F3 : 2240 Hz	2185 Hz	65 Hz	2270 Hz	30 Hz	2280 Hz	40 Hz	2285 Hz	45 Hz
F0 : 220 Hz	250 Hz	30 Hz	250 Hz	30 Hz	250 Hz	30 Hz	250 Hz	30 Hz
F1 : 300 Hz	288 Hz	12 Hz	231 Hz	69 Hz	224 Hz	76 Hz	224 Hz	76 Hz
F2 : 870 Hz	891 Hz	21 Hz	878 Hz	8 Hz	880 Hz	10 Hz	880 Hz	10 Hz
F3 : 2240 Hz	2205 Hz	35 Hz	2218 Hz	22 Hz	2206 Hz	34 Hz	2206 Hz	34 Hz

Table 2: Table for Comparison of Rectangular Window

### General Observations

- If we increase the Window Size of the either the Hamming Window or the Rectangular Window, the clarity between the peak magnitudes increases, but identifying the formant frequencies ( $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  and  $F_3$ ) becomes a bit challenging, due to peaks occurring in close proximity. (This portrays the fact that increasing the window size, means going from wide-band to narrow-band.)
- If we increase the Window Size of the either the Hamming Window or the Rectangular Window, calculating the fundamental frequency  $F_0$  becomes a bit easy. It is calculated by dividing 1 KHz frequency by the number of high peaks occurring from 0 to 1 KHz.
- For small window sizes, the formant frequencies are calculated easily. Due to wideband nature of the frequency response, the peaks get accumulated to give the exact formant frequency.
- As the fundamental frequency  $F_0$  increases, the resonating frequency of the vocal tract changes as well. This also affects the detection of the formant frequencies. For,  $F_0=220\text{Hz}$ , we see that  $F_2$  and  $F_3$  being near to the multiples of 220Hz are visualized properly, but  $F_1$  not being near to the multiple of 220Hz, has a peak elsewhere. Similar for  $F_0=120\text{Hz}$ .
- As expected from theoretical concepts, the side lobes of the Hamming Windowed signal are quite lower than that in those where Rectangular window was applied. For a given window size, the peaks are more frequently occuring and narrowly spaced in Rectangular window setting.
- For the same Window Function, if the fundamental frequency  $F_0$  is changed the peaks are more spaced out and the details of the waveform are more clear in the case of higher  $F_0$ .