

**ADA 14 -- 9am Thu 13 Oct 2022**

Periodogram Analysis (continued)

Quasi-Periodic Oscillations

Dynamic Power Spectra (GW detection)

White/Red Noise (Wavelets, Splines)

# Periodogram of a Sinusoid + Spike

Single high value is sum of cosine curves all in phase at time  $t_0$ :

$$X(t) = \mu + A \sin(\omega_0 t) + \Delta \delta(t - t_0) \pm \sigma$$

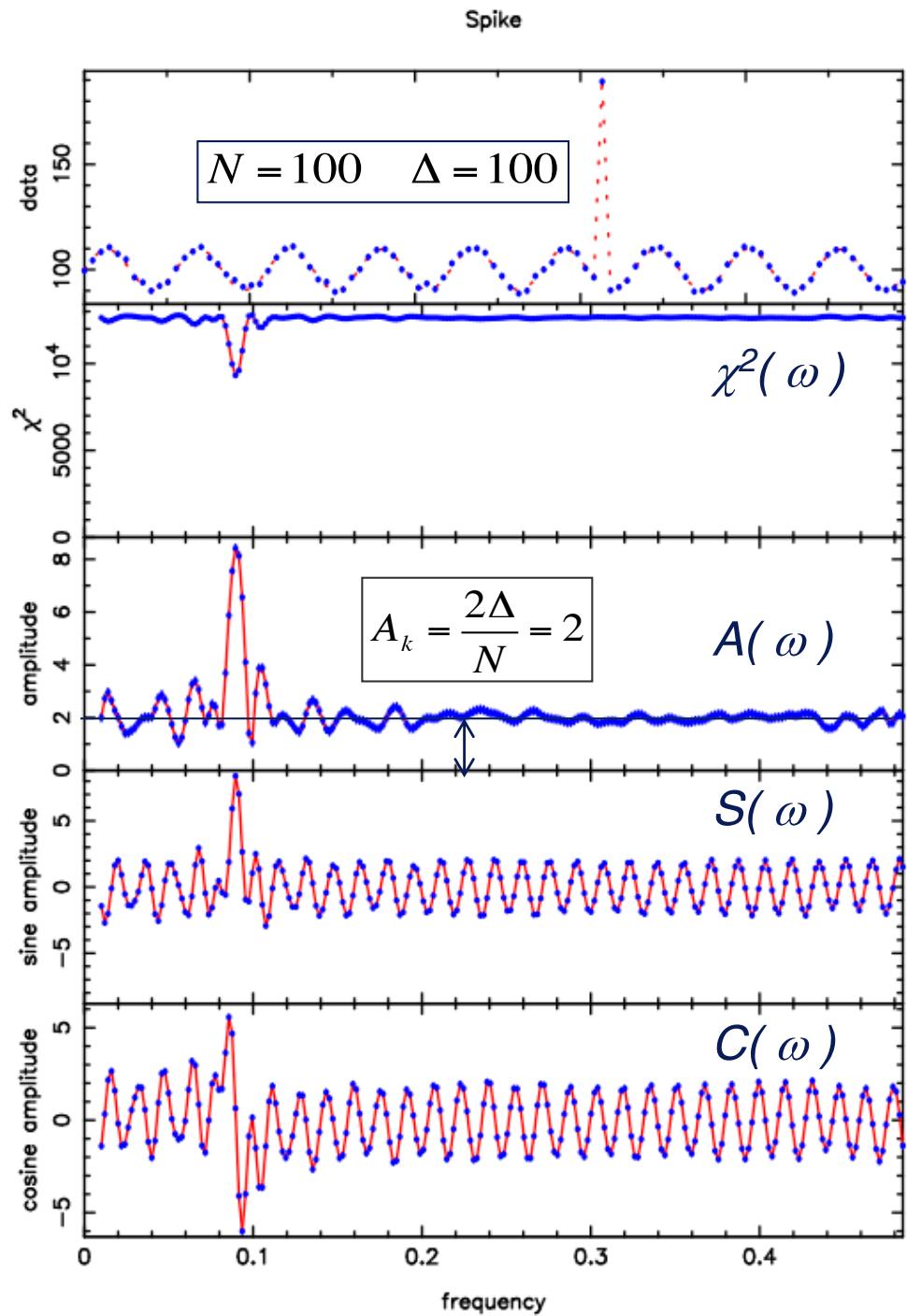
This spike raises the amplitude uniformly at all frequencies.

$$S_k = \frac{\Delta \sin(\omega_k t_0) / \sigma^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N \sin^2(\omega_k t_i) / \sigma^2} = \frac{2\Delta}{N} \sin(\omega_k t_0)$$

$$C_k = \frac{\Delta \cos(\omega_k t_0) / \sigma^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N \cos^2(\omega_k t_i) / \sigma^2} = \frac{2\Delta}{N} \cos(\omega_k t_0)$$

$$A_k^2 = S_k^2 + C_k^2 = \left( \frac{2\Delta}{N} \right)^2$$

Note :  $\langle \sin^2 \rangle = \langle \cos^2 \rangle = 1/2$



# Periodogram of a Sinusoid + White Noise

- **White Noise** is generated by sampling a Gaussian random number at each time.

$$X_i \sim G(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

- Or, use a Gaussian random number for each sine and cosine amplitude.

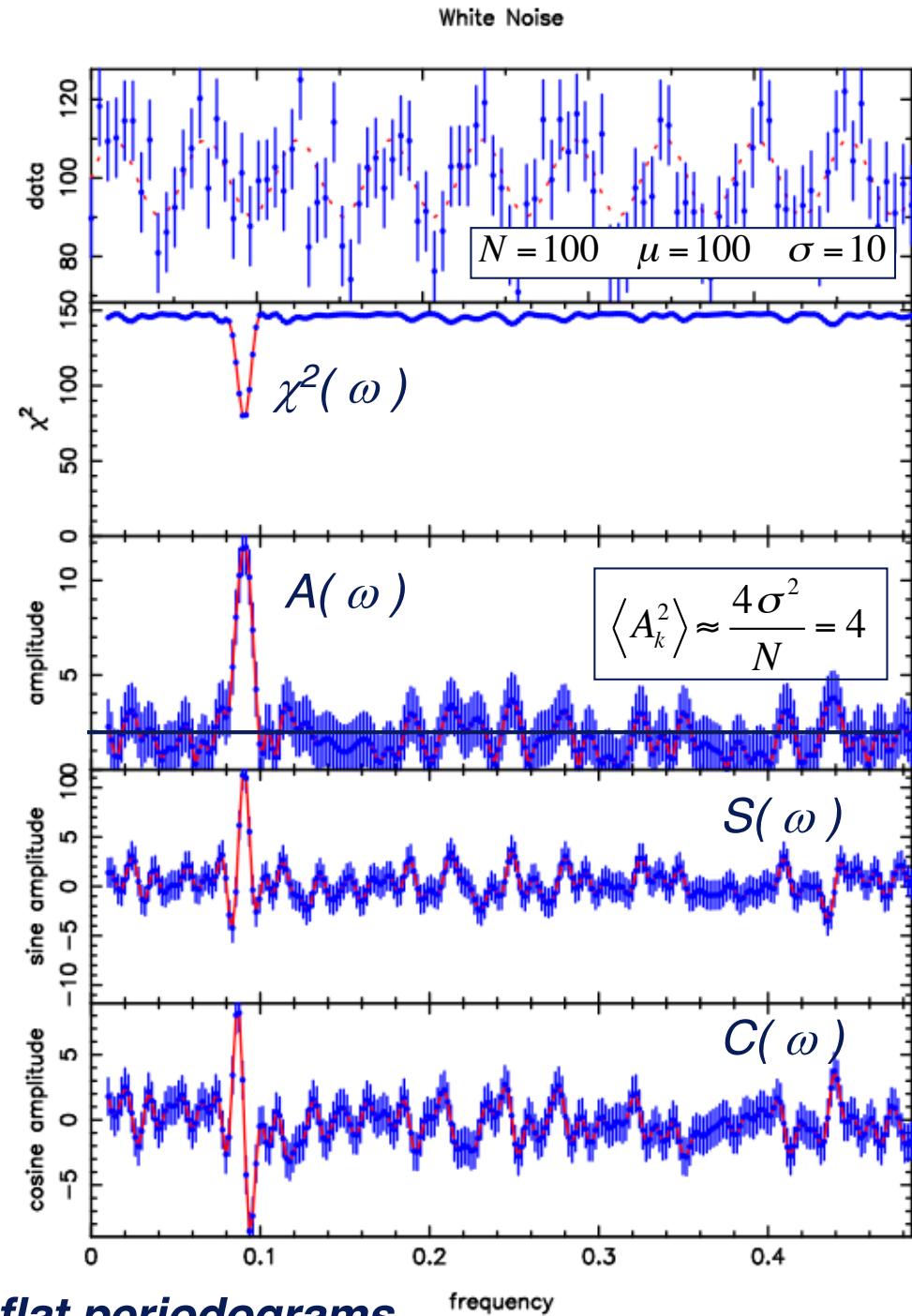
$$C_0 = \mu, \quad C_k, S_k \sim G\left(0, 2\sigma^2/N\right)$$

$$C_k = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (X_i - \mu) \cos(\omega_k t_i) / \sigma_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N \cos^2(\omega_k t_i) / \sigma_i^2} \quad \langle C_k \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle C_k^2 \rangle = \text{Var}[C_k] = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^N \cos^2(\omega_k t_i) / \sigma_i^2} = \frac{2\sigma^2}{N}$$

$$A_k^2 \equiv C_k^2 + S_k^2 \sim \frac{2\sigma^2}{N} \chi^2 \quad \langle A_k^2 \rangle = \frac{4\sigma^2}{N}$$

Parseval's theorem:  $\left\langle \sum_{k=1}^{N/2} A_k^2 \right\rangle = 2\sigma^2$



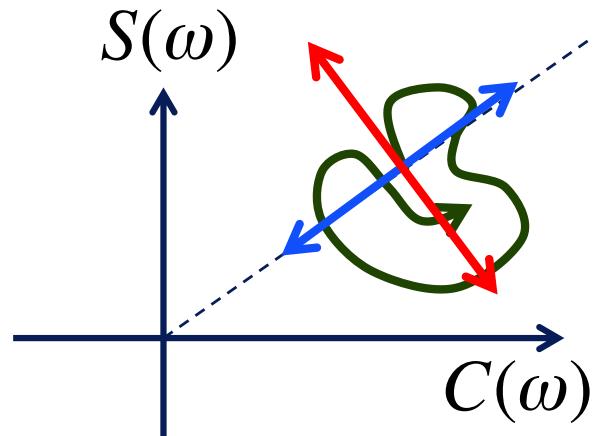
**Note:** Both white noise and a spike have flat periodograms.

# Unstable or “Quasi-Periodic” Oscillations

$$X(t) = [A_0 + A(t)] \sin(\omega_0 t + \Phi_0 + \Phi(t))$$

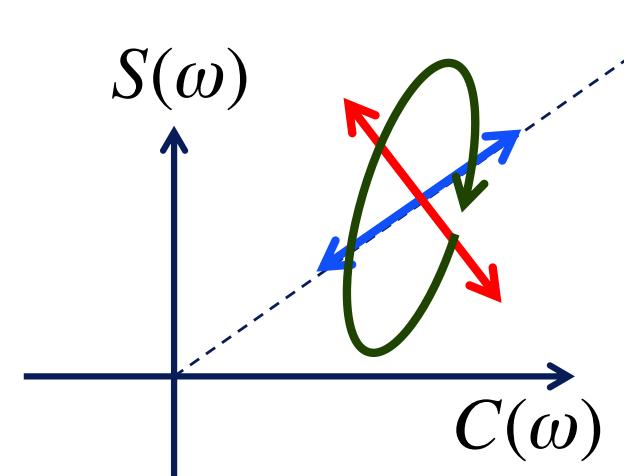
*Amplitude modulation:*  $A(t)$

*Phase modulation:*  $\Phi(t)$



**Unstable oscillation**  
has a broader periodogram peak.  
Amplitude drifts -> sidelobes  
Phase drifts equivalent to frequency  $\omega$   
changing with time.

*Special case:*



$$\begin{aligned} A(t) &= A \sin \Omega t + B \cos \Omega t \\ \Phi(t) &= \alpha \sin \Omega t + \beta \cos \Omega t \end{aligned}$$

# Amplitude Modulation

Set  $A_0 = 1$  and  $\Phi_0 = 0$ .

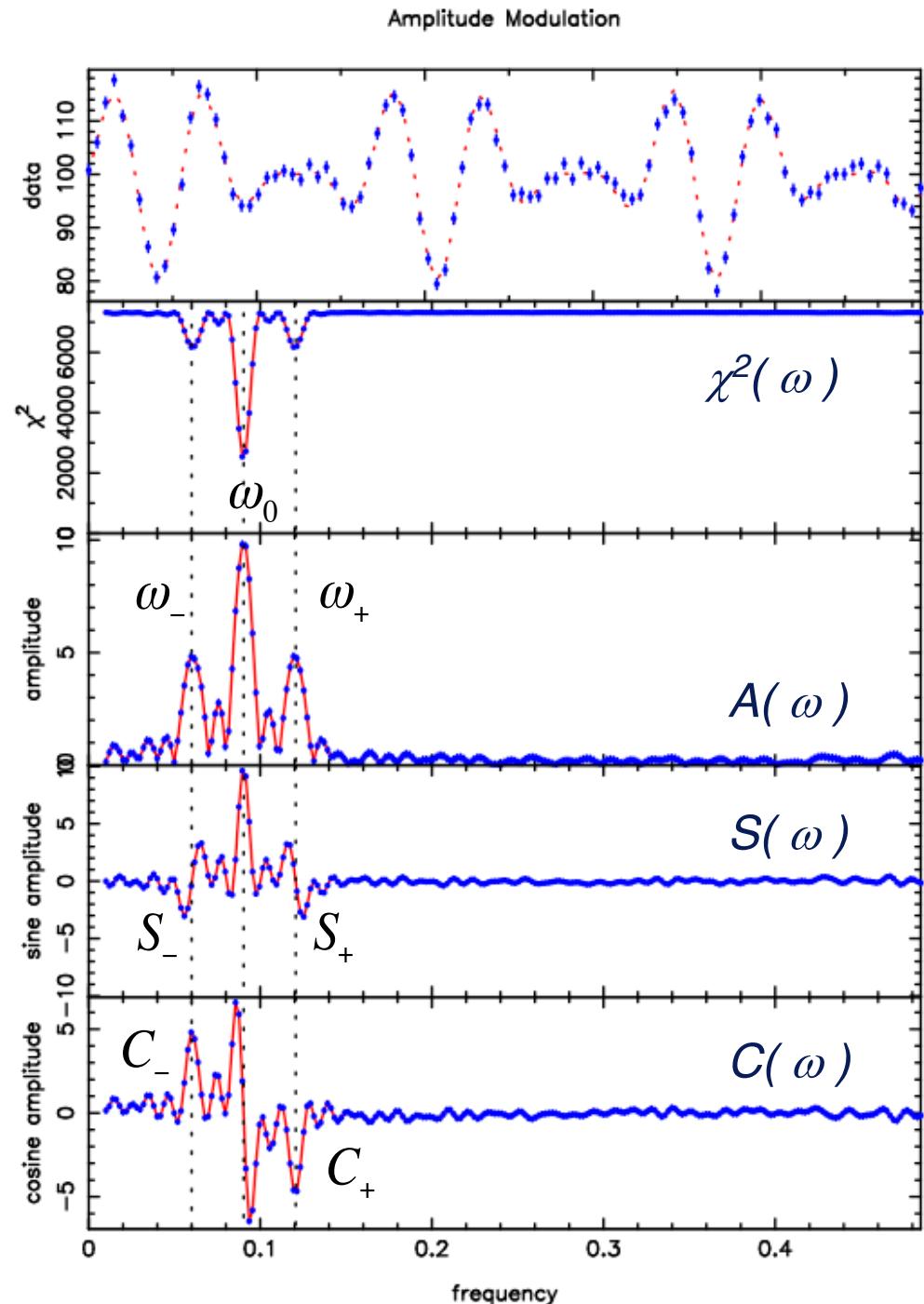
Oscillation frequency  $\omega_0$  with slow amplitude modulation at lower frequency  $\Omega$ :

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &= (1 + A \sin \Omega t + B \cos \Omega t) \sin \omega_0 t \\ &= \sin(\omega_0 t) + (A/2)[\cos(\omega_- t) - \cos(\omega_+ t)] \\ &\quad + (B/2)[\sin(\omega_- t) + \sin(\omega_+ t)] \end{aligned}$$

Note: **sidelobes** at  $\omega_{\pm} = \omega_0 \pm \Omega$ .

Sine amplitudes in phase.  $S_+ = S_-$

Cosine amps anti-phased.  $C_+ = -C_-$



# Phase Modulation

Oscillation frequency  $\omega_0$  with slow phase modulation at lower frequency  $\Omega$ :

$$X(t) = \sin(\omega_0 t + \alpha \sin \Omega t + \beta \cos \Omega t)$$

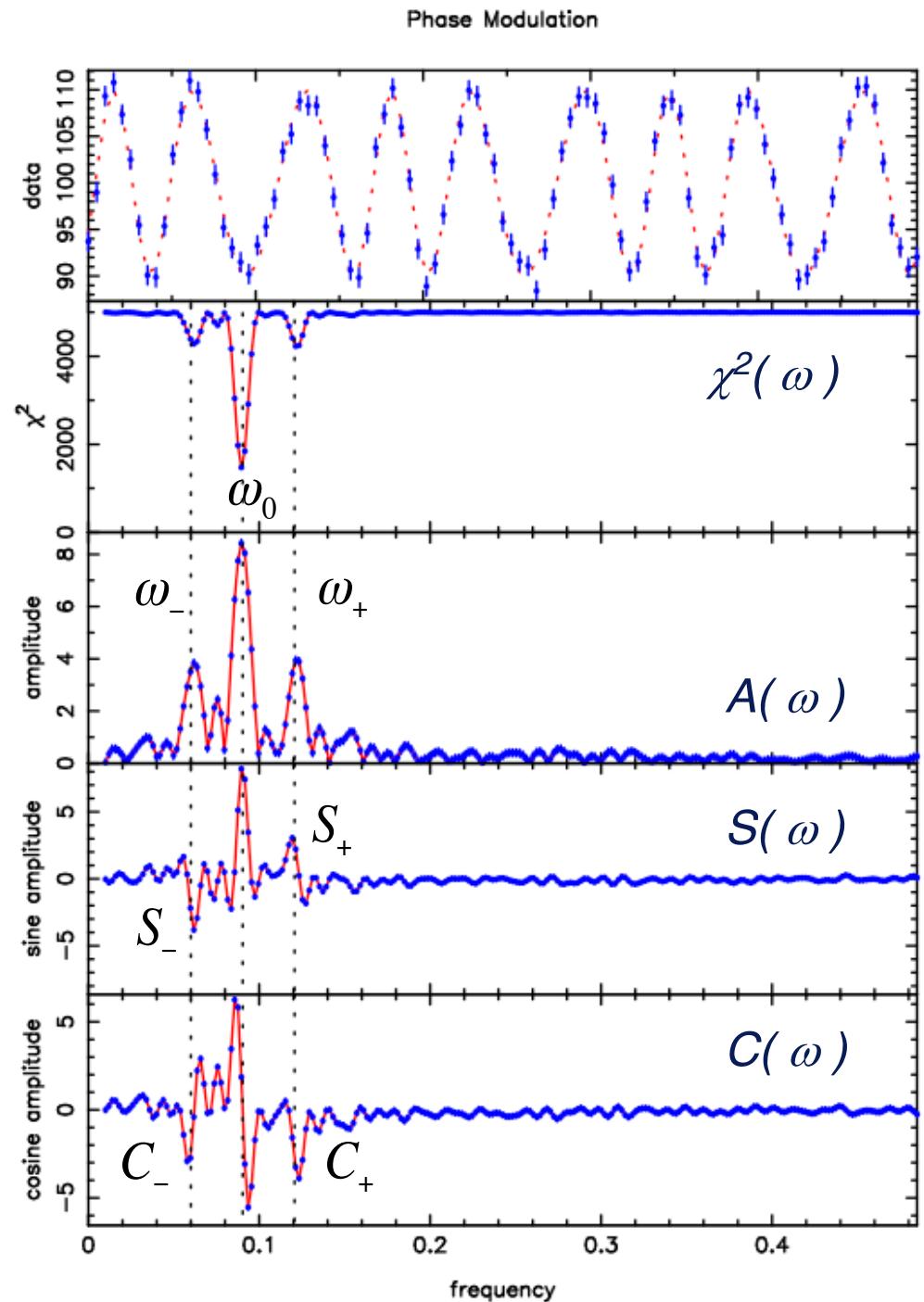
Note:  $\sin(x + \Delta x) \approx \sin x + \Delta x \cos x$ :

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &\approx \sin(\omega_0 t) + (\alpha \sin \Omega t + \beta \cos \Omega t) \cos \omega_0 t \\ &= \sin(\omega_0 t) + (\alpha/2) [-\sin(\omega_- t) + \sin(\omega_+ t)] \\ &\quad + (\beta/2) [\cos(\omega_- t) + \cos(\omega_+ t)] \end{aligned}$$

Again, **sidelobes** at  $\omega_{\pm} = \omega_0 \pm \Omega$   
but now with

Sine amps anti-phased:  $S_+ = -S_-$

Cosine amps in phase:  $C_+ = C_-$



# Phase relations for Sidelobes

Both Amplitude and Phase Modulation:

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &= (1 + A \sin \Omega t + B \cos \Omega t) \sin(\omega_0 t + \alpha \sin \Omega t + \beta \cos \Omega t) \\ &\approx \sin(\omega_0 t) + S_- \sin(\omega_- t) + C_- \cos(\omega_- t) \\ &\quad + S_+ \sin(\omega_+ t) + C_+ \cos(\omega_+ t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\omega_{\pm} \equiv \omega_0 \pm \Omega, \quad S_{\pm} = \frac{B \pm \alpha}{2}, \quad C_{\pm} = \frac{\beta \mp A}{2}$$

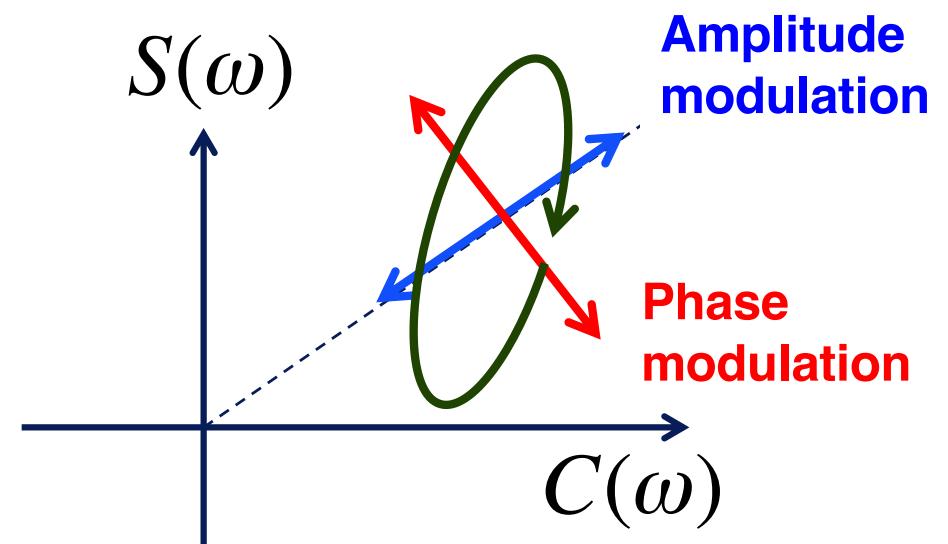
Amplitude and Phase Modulation Spectra:

$$A(\Omega) = C_-(\Omega) - C_+(\Omega)$$

$$B(\Omega) = S_-(\Omega) + S_+(\Omega)$$

$$\alpha(\Omega) = S_+(\Omega) - S_-(\Omega)$$

$$\beta(\Omega) = C_+(\Omega) + C_-(\Omega)$$



# Dynamic Power Spectrum

*For periodic oscillations with amplitude and phase that vary with time.*

Data:  $X_i \pm \sigma_i$  at  $t=t_i$

Model:  $\mu(t) = X_0(t) + S(t) \sin(\omega t) + C(t) \cos(\omega t)$

3 Patterns: 1,  $s_i = \sin(\omega t_i)$ ,  $c_i = \cos(\omega t_i)$

Like Running Optimal Average, but including Sin and Cos amplitudes in the fit to each time window.

## Iterated Optimal Scaling:

$$\hat{X}_0(t) = \frac{\sum (X_i - \hat{S} s_i - \hat{C} c_i) w_i(t)}{\sum w_i(t)},$$

$$\hat{S}(t) = \frac{\sum (X_i - \hat{X}_0 - \hat{C} c_i) s_i w_i(t)}{\sum s_i^2 w_i(t)},$$

$$\hat{C}(t) = \frac{\sum (X_i - \hat{X}_0 - \hat{S} s_i) c_i w_i(t)}{\sum c_i^2 w_i(t)},$$

$$\hat{A}^2(t) = \hat{C}^2(t) + \hat{S}^2(t)$$

$$w_i(t) = \frac{G(t - t_i)}{\sigma_i^2}$$

$$G(t) = \exp\left\{-\frac{t^2}{2\Delta^2}\right\}$$

**Time-resolution set by parameter  $\Delta$ .**

**Iterate** ( patterns not orthogonal ).

# Dynamic Power Spectrum

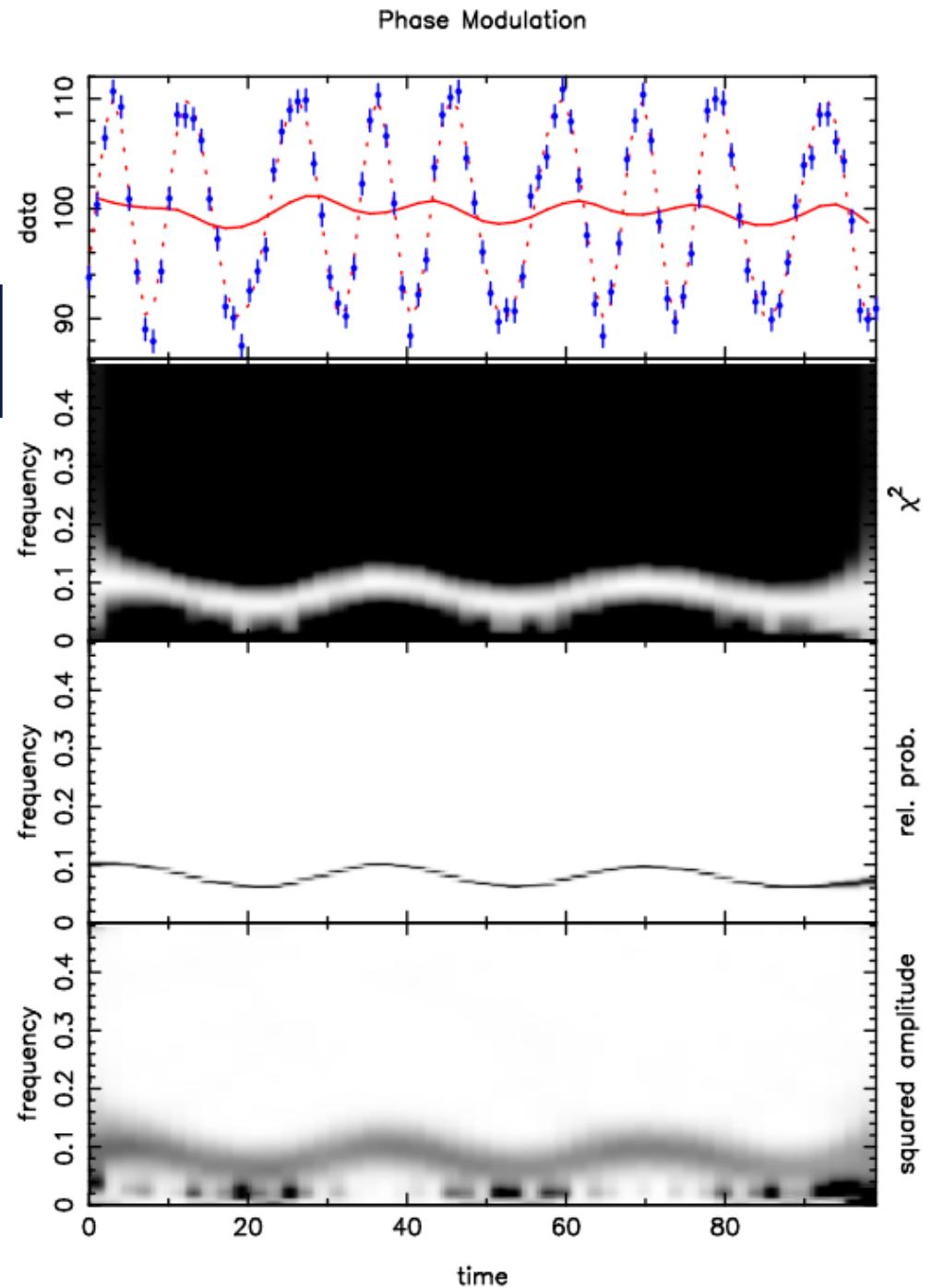
*Phase modulation is equivalent to a wandering frequency.*

Badness-of-Fit:  $\chi^2(\omega, t)$

Probability:  $P \sim \exp\{-\chi^2/2\}$

Power density:  $A^2(\omega, t)$

Note : the probability peak is much sharper than power density peak.

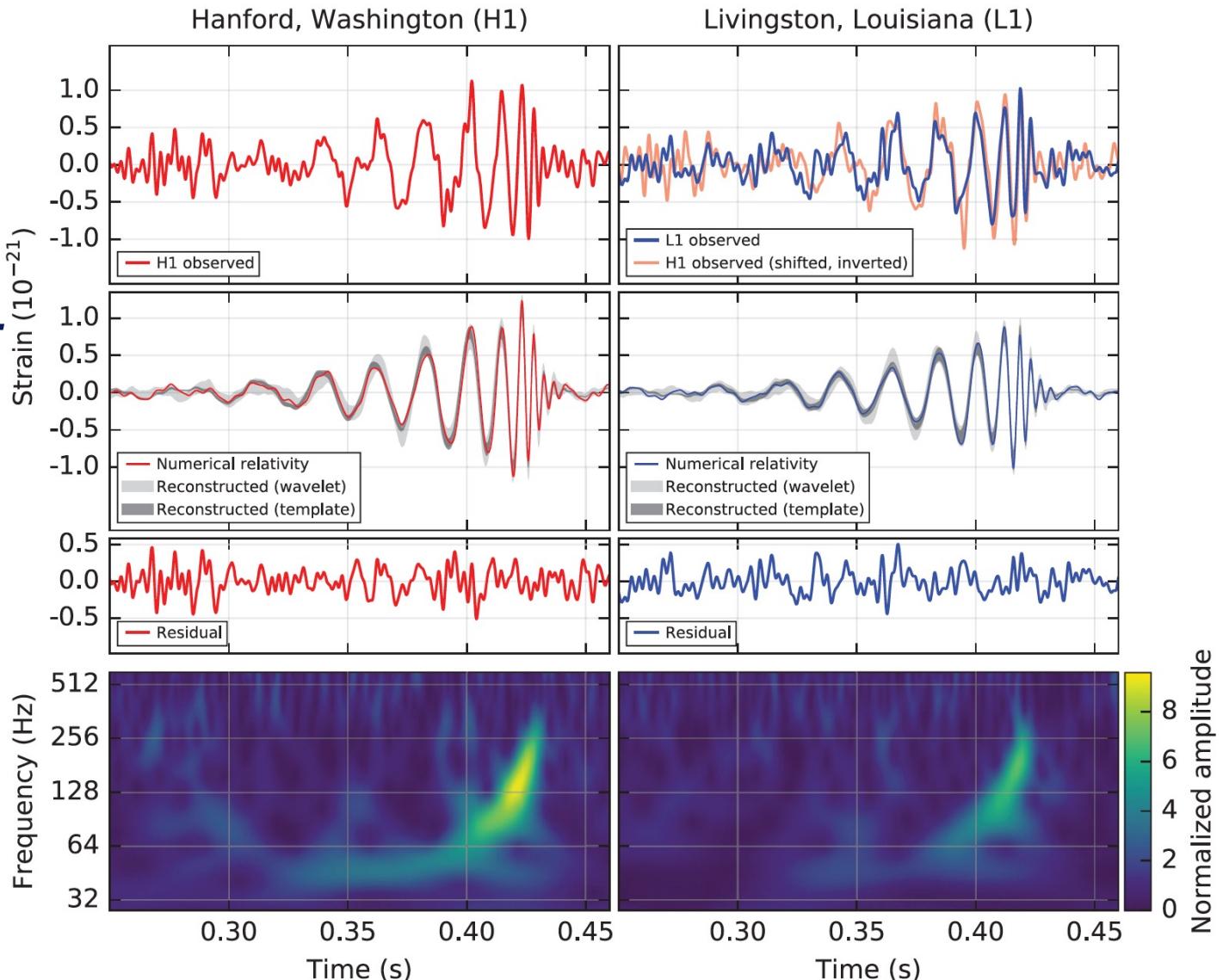


# Example of Dynamic Power Spectra

*Gravitational Waves from a Binary Black Hole Merger*

Abbott et al. (2016)  
Phys Rev L 116, 1102.

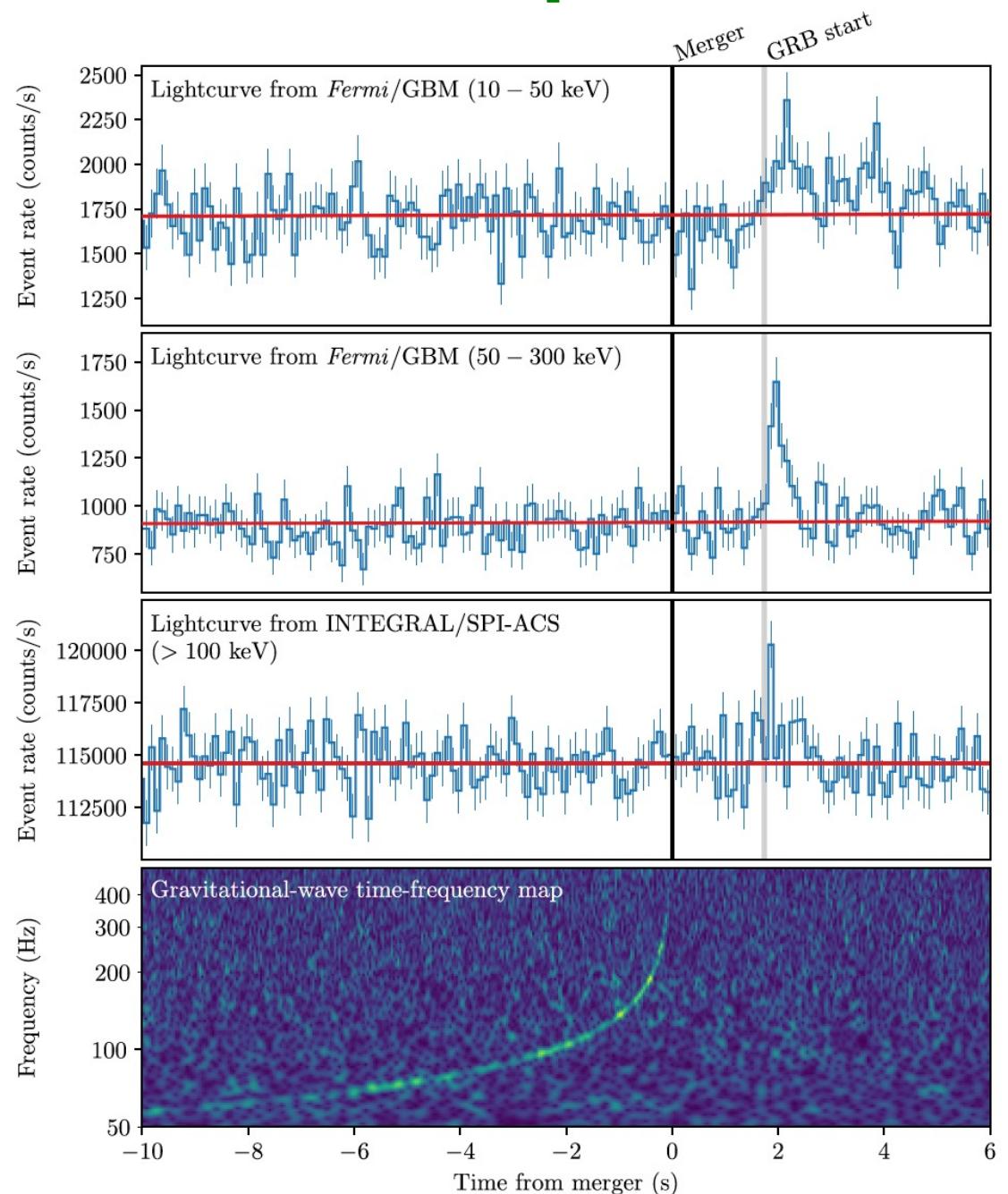
2017 Nobel Prize :  
R. Weiss (MIT),  
K. Thorne, B. Barish  
(Caltech)



# Example 2: Dynamic Power Spectrum

***Gravitational Waves and  
Gamma Rays from a  
Binary Neutron Star Merger:  
GW170817 and  
GRB 170817A.***

*Abbott et al. (2017)  
ApJL 848, L13.*



# Summary: Fourier Analysis

model:  $\mu(t) = \mu_0 + \sum_k c_k \cos \omega_k t + s_k \sin \omega_k t$

even spacing:  $t_i = t_0 + i \Delta t$        $T = N \Delta t$        $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$

Fourier frequencies:  $\omega_k = k \Delta \omega = 2\pi/P_k$      $P_k = T / k$      $k = 0, 1, \dots, K_{\max} = N / 2$

Nyquist frequency:  $\omega_{Nyq} = \pi / \Delta t = 2\pi/P_{Nyq}$      $P_{Nyq} = 2 \Delta t$

Orthogonal basis:  $\underline{C}_k = \cos \omega_k \underline{t}$      $\underline{S}_k = \sin \omega_k \underline{t}$

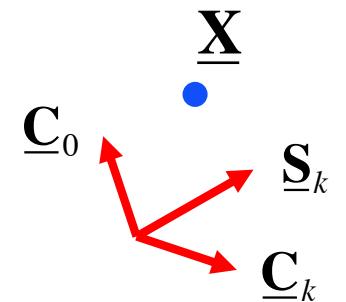
Model:  $\underline{\mu} = \mu_o \underline{C}_0 + \sum_{k=1} (c_k \underline{C}_k + s_k \underline{S}_k)$

*Exact fit possible by using  $N$  parameters to fit  $N$  data points.*

Badness-of-fit:  $\chi^2 = \| \underline{X} - \underline{\mu} \|^2$

Optimal fit:  $\hat{\mu}_0 = \frac{\underline{X} \cdot \underline{C}_0}{\underline{C}_0 \cdot \underline{C}_0}$      $\hat{c}_k = \frac{\underline{X} \cdot \underline{C}_k}{\underline{C}_k \cdot \underline{C}_k}$      $\hat{s}_k = \frac{\underline{X} \cdot \underline{S}_k}{\underline{S}_k \cdot \underline{S}_k}$

Power spectrum:  $P(\omega_k) \Delta \omega = \hat{A}_k^2 \equiv \hat{c}_k^2 + \hat{s}_k^2$



*Decomposes lightcurve into frequency components.*

# Wavelet Analysis - Wavelet Basis Functions

**Fourier basis** isolates in **frequency** but not in **time**.

**Delta basis** isolates in **time** but not in **frequency**.

**Wavelet basis** isolates in both **frequency and time**.

**Exact fit possible by using  $N$  parameters to fit  $N$  data points.**

**Many wavelet shapes possible.**  
e.g. “Mexican Hat” wavelet:

$$W_{k,j}(x) = W[2^k(x - j)] \\ j = 0, \dots, (2^k - 1)$$

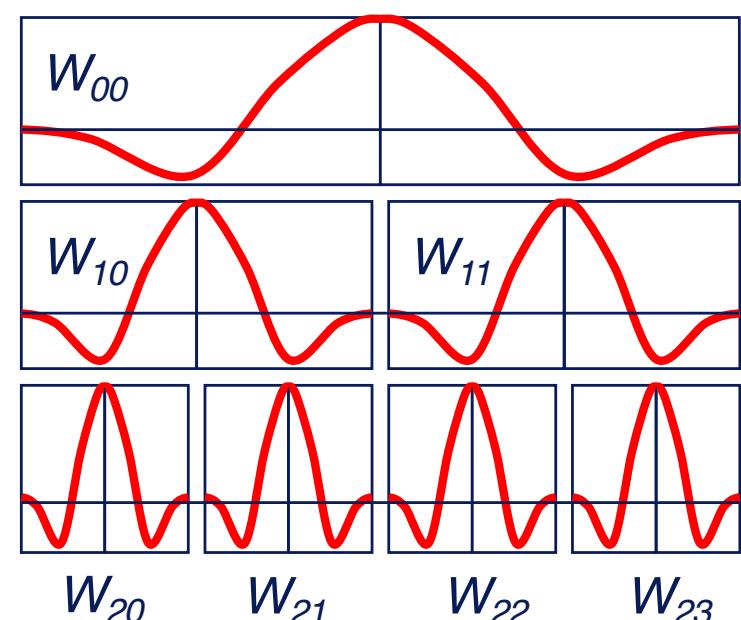
At each new level,  $k \rightarrow k+1$ :

**Double the wavelet frequency.**

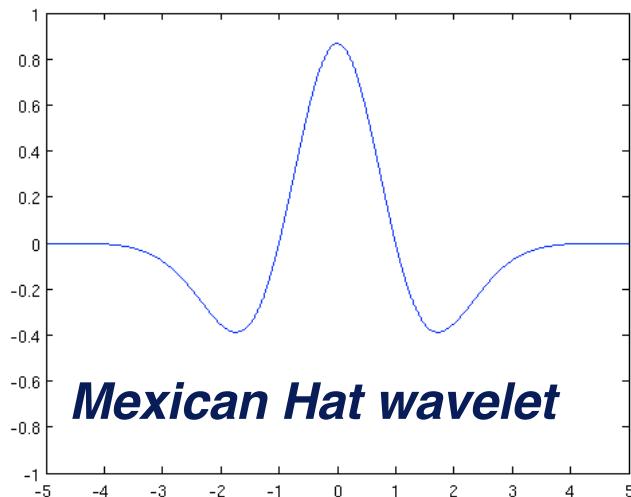
**Double the number of wavelets.**

**Complete orthogonal basis.**

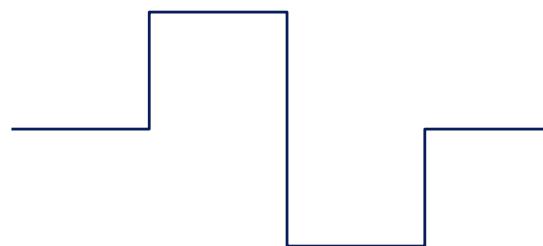
(Used e.g. for data compression)



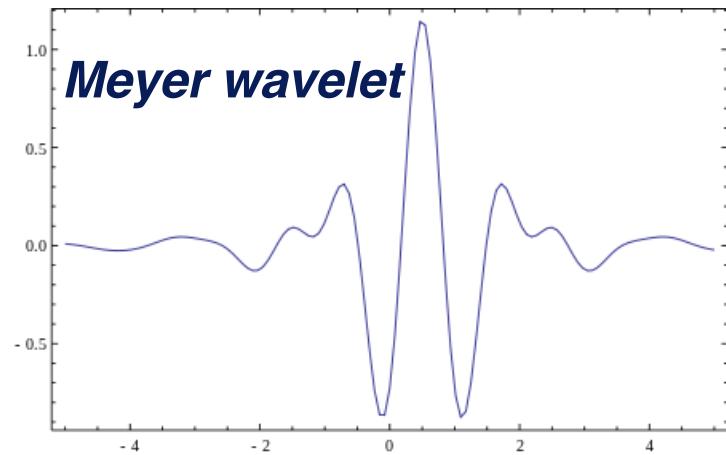
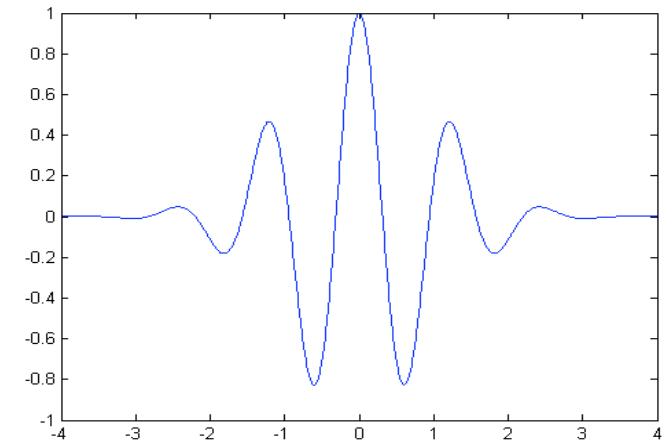
# Various Wavelet Shapes



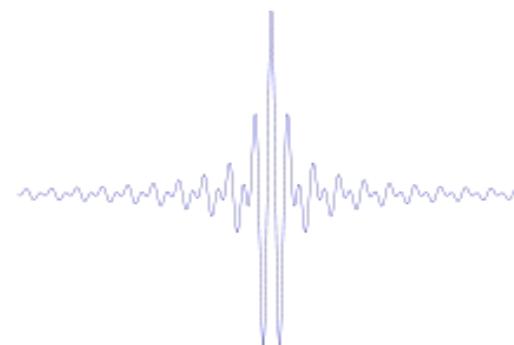
**Haar wavelet**



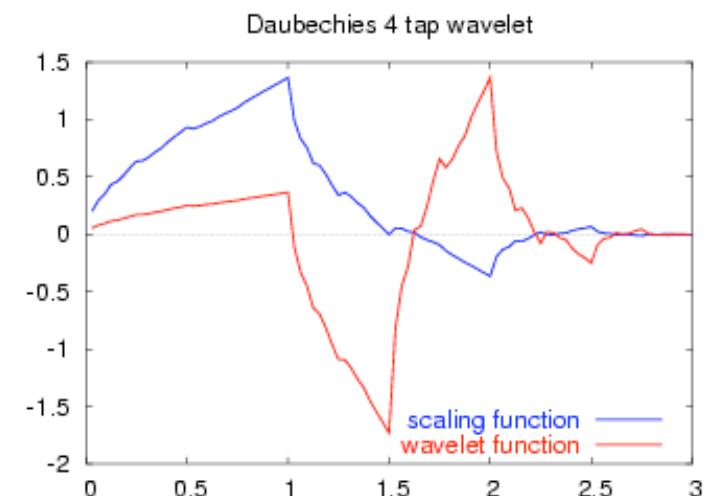
**Morlet wavelet**



**Coiflet wavelet**

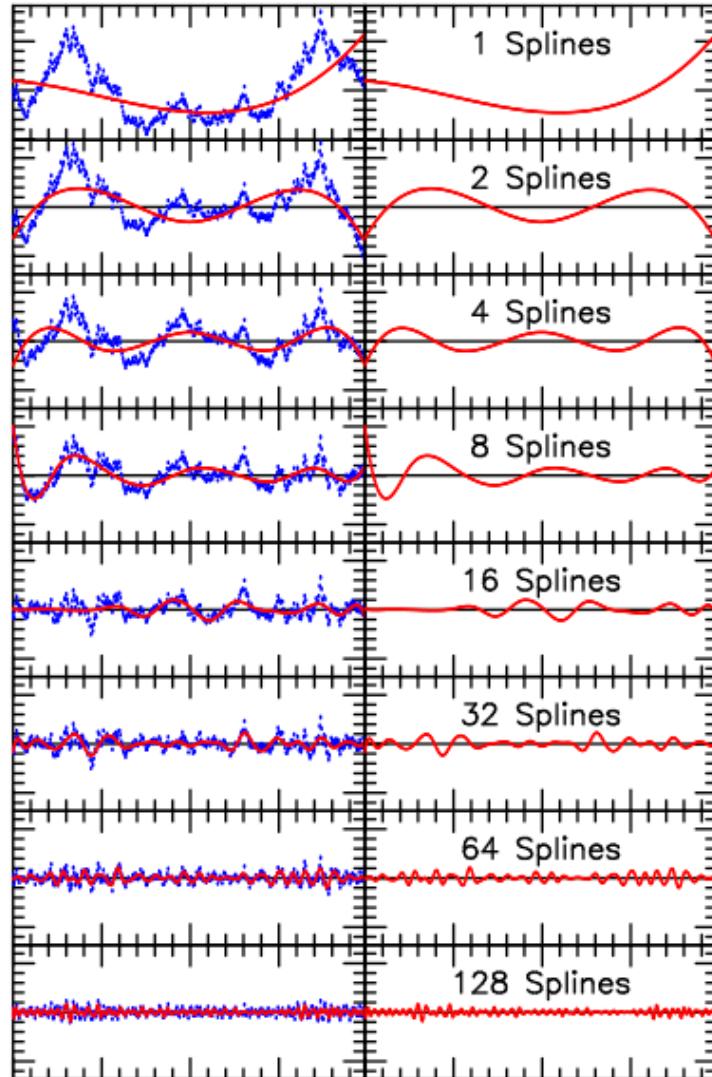


**Shannon wavelet**



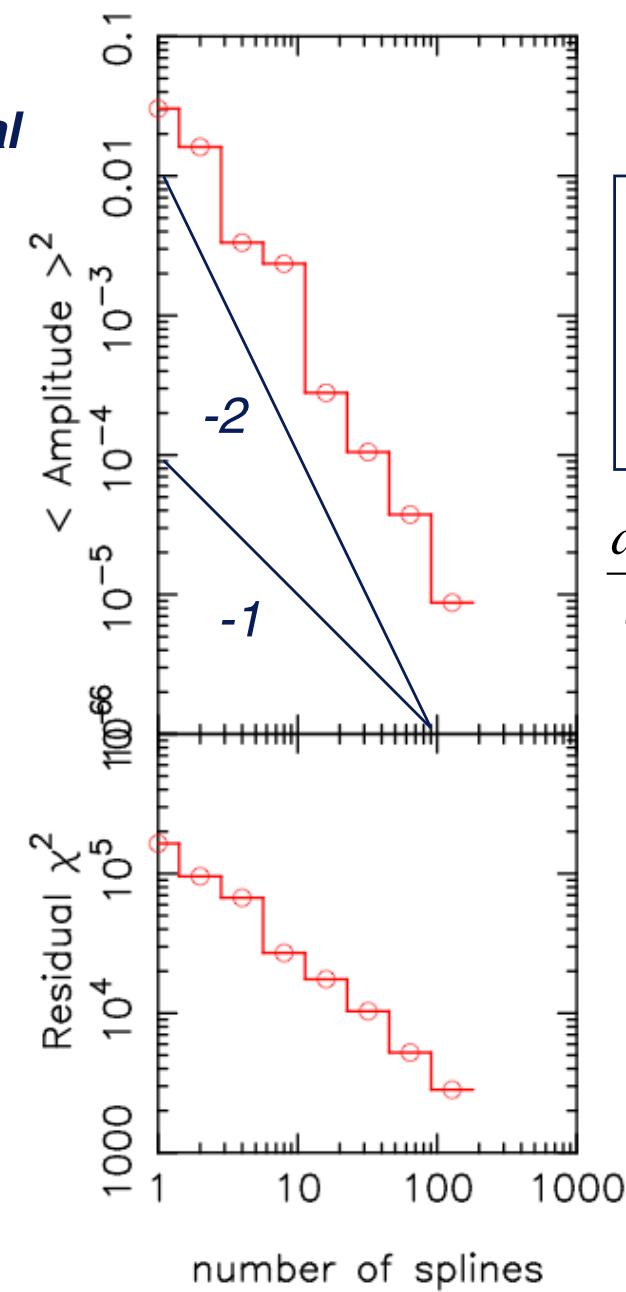
# Spline Decomposition - Red Noise

*Fit and subtract sequence of cubic splines.*



**Red Noise: Random walk**

*Orthogonal  
spline  
basis.*

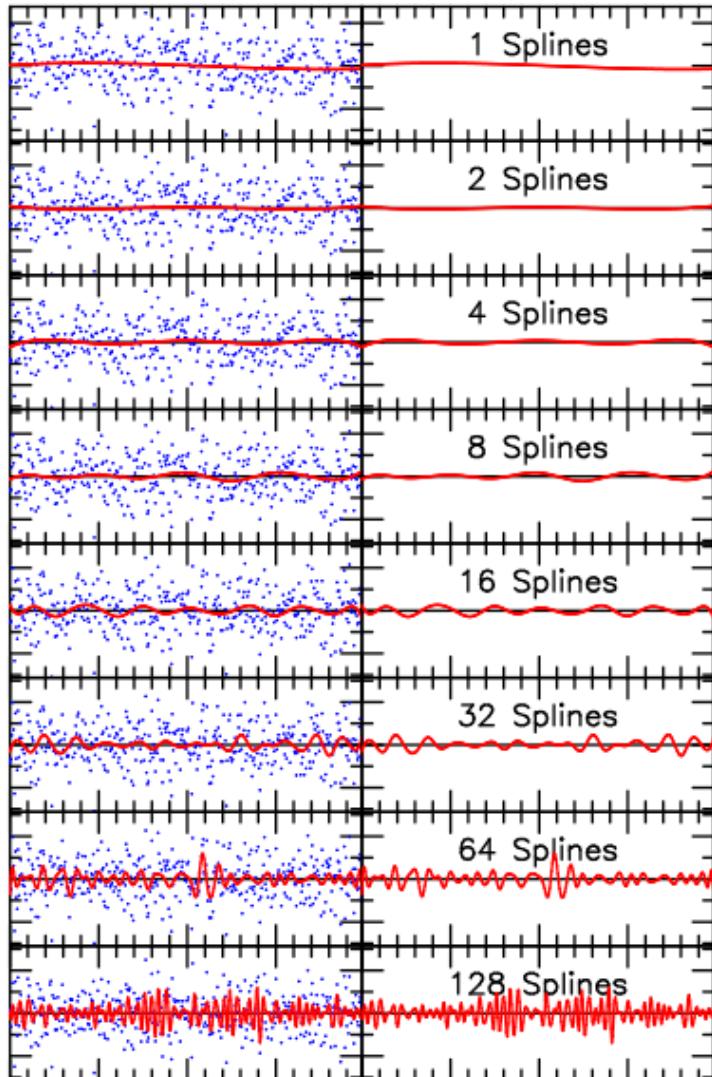


**Red noise  
power  
spectrum.  
Power law**

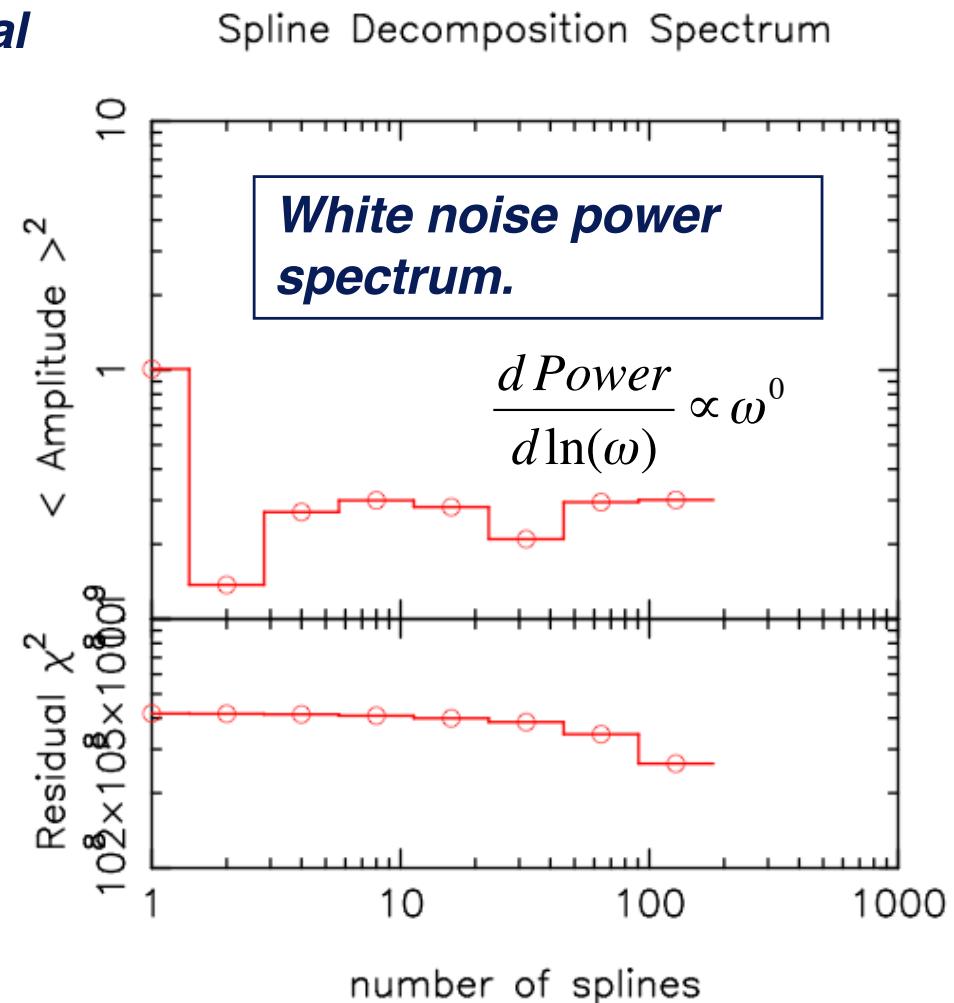
$$\frac{d \text{Power}}{d \ln(\omega)} \propto \omega^{-2}$$

# Spline Decomposition - White Noise

*Fit and subtract sequence of cubic splines.*



*Orthogonal  
spline  
basis.*



**White Noise: Independent noise at each time**

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