

Sparse Random Wavelet Signal Representation and Decomposition

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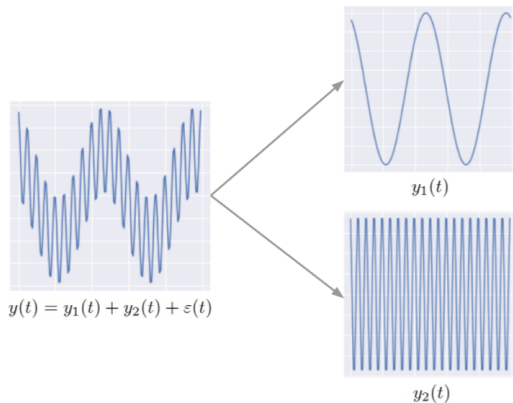
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Problem Statement

Given an input signal y , decompose it into simple modes.



Want meaningful modes, ex. mode for each acoustic source or type of oscillation

And why...?

For signal processing:

- Analysis on simple modes may be easier than the full signal
- Label/identification of modes
- Separate noise from signal (denoising)
- Pre-processing step

For music decomposition specifically:

- Make a karaoke or a cappella track
- Study or re-mix songs (live recordings, historical)
- For easier melodic/harmonic analysis, instrument labelling, or transcription

Existing Methods

And their downsides

- **Fourier Series/Transform:** time information not captured
- **Empirical Mode Decomposition:** only decomposes into intrinsic mode functions
- **Short-Time Fourier Transform:** dense representation, input must be evenly sampled
- **Neural Networks:** slow, requires large training set

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Our Method

“Sparse Random Wavelet Signal Representation and Decomposition”

- *Signal*: 1D Function $y(t) : [0, t_{\max}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- *Wavelet*: $g_m(t) = \text{window}(t; m) \cdot e^{if_m t}$
- *Random*: wavelets are picked randomly
- *Representation*: $y(t) \approx \sum_m x_m g_m(t)$
- *Sparse*: most of x_m are zero
- *Decomposition*: write $y(t)$ as a sum of modes $\sum_k y_k(t)$

Method Overview

1. Find sparse representation for y
 - Compress data
 - Create clear distinctions between modes
2. Cluster nearby representation elements
 - Assume modes are connected regions

Advantages:

- Fast & efficient: only input signal is required
- Blind: no side information of signal required
- Can handle unevenly sampled data

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Input

Input: $\{t_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^N$

Given N samples $\{y_i\}$ of a function $y(t)$ at times $\{t_i\}$

Note the t_i 's do not have to be equally spaced.

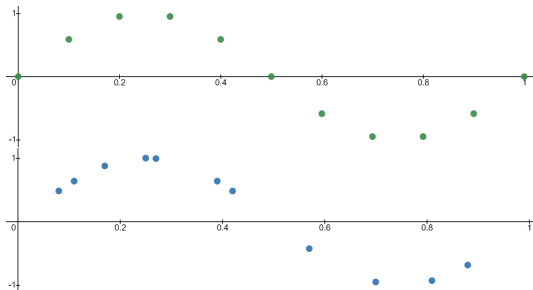


Figure: Equally Spaced (top) vs. Random Sampling (bottom)

Basis Functions

Real Gabor Wavelet

$$g_m(t) = e^{-2\frac{(t-\tau_m)^2}{w^2}} \sin(2\pi f_m \cdot t + \phi_m), \quad (1)$$
$$\tau_m \in \mathcal{U}(0, t_{\max}), f_m \in \mathcal{U}(0, f_{\max}), \phi_m \in \mathcal{U}(0, 2\pi)$$

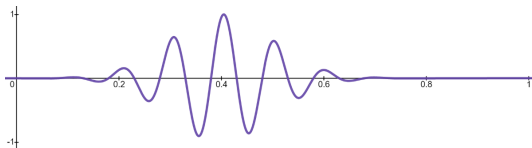


Figure: Example wavelet $(\tau, f, \phi) = (.2, 10, 1.26)$

Representation Algorithm

via Basis Pursuit Denoising

Algorithm: Sparse Wavelet Representation for y

input: $t, y \in \mathbb{R}^N, M \in \mathbb{Z}^+, w, f_{\max} \in \mathbb{R}^+, r \in]0, 1[$

Generate $\{\tau_m, f_m, \phi_m\}_{m=1}^M$;

Generate M wavelets $g_m \in \mathbb{R}^N$;

Store wavelets by column in a matrix $G \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$;

Solve $x^* = \arg \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^M} \|x\|_1$ s.t. $\|Gx - y\|_2 < \sigma = r\|y\|_2$;

output: $x^*, G, \{\tau_m, f_m, \phi_m\}_{m=1}^M$

- L_1 norm promotes sparsity
- Optimization is solved via Python's SPGL1 package

Reconstruction

Reconstruct y by multiplying wavelets with weights found

$$y \approx Gx^* = \sum_{m=1}^M x_m g_m. \quad (2)$$

Relative error in this representation $\frac{\|Gx^* - y\|_2}{\|y\|_2}$ is less than r

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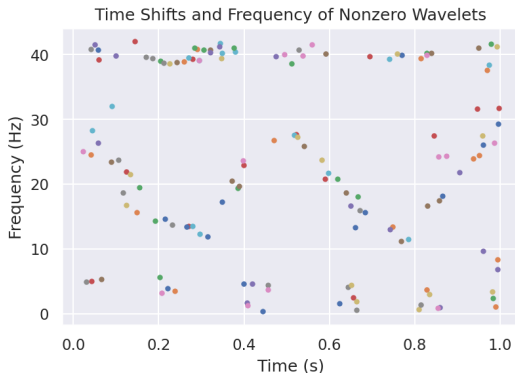
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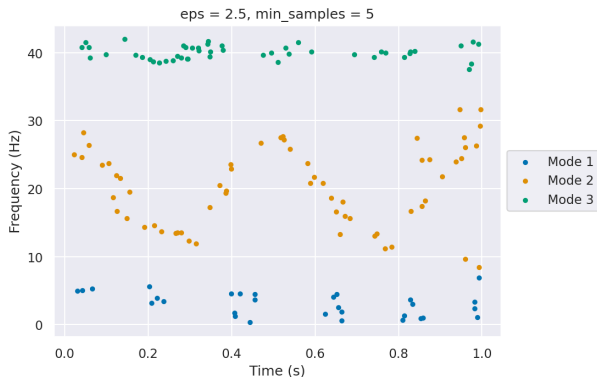
Plot $\{\tau_m, f_m\}_{m=1}^M$ where $x_m^* \neq 0$



Goal: cluster points that are close together

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Goal: cluster points that are close together

Decomposition Algorithm

Algorithm: Sparse Representation Decomposition

input: $x^*, G, (\tau_m, f_m)_{m=1}^M, \text{min_samples} \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \epsilon, s \in \mathbb{R}^+$

Define $(\tau_{m_j}, f_{m_j})_{j=1}^{M'} := \{(\tau_m, f_m) | x_m^* \neq 0\};$

Scale input points to obtain $(\tau_{m_j}, s \cdot f_{m_j});$

Use DBSCAN to label each point by cluster to obtain $\{\ell_{m_j}\}$

where $\ell_{m_j} \in \{-1, 0, \dots, K-1\};$

Extract K modes: $y_k = \sum_{m \in I_k} x_m^* g_m, I_k = \{m_j | \ell_{m_j} = k-1\};$

output: $\{y_k\}_{k=1}^{K'}$

- Uses DBSCAN algorithm from scikit-learn's cluster module

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Three Mode Decomposition 1

Uniquely Banded Modes, Evenly Sampled

Input: $y(t) = y_1(t) + y_2(t) + y_3(t)$ defined by,

$$\begin{aligned}y_1(t) &= -2t + \sin(10\pi t + \phi_1) \\y_2(t) &= \sin\left(2\pi\left(20t + \frac{2}{3}\sin(4\pi t)\right) + \phi_2\right) \\y_3(t) &= (\sin(8\pi t) + 2)\sin(80\pi t + \phi_3),\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

where $\phi_i \in \mathcal{U}(0, 2\pi)$, $t \in [0, 1]$, with $N = 160$ samples.

Parameters: $f_{\max} = 46$ Hz, $M = 4416$, $w = 0.1$ s, $r = 6\%$

`min_samples` = 5, $\epsilon = 2.5$, $s = 1$

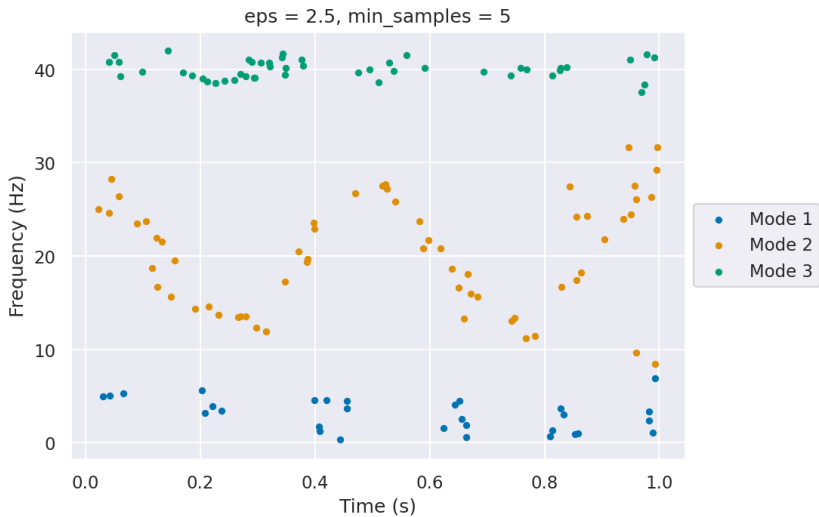


Figure: Segmentation of nonzero wavelets into three modes

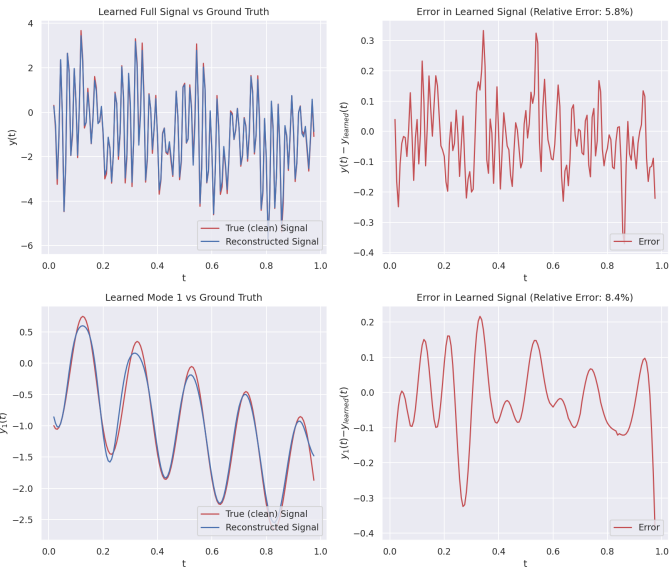


Figure: Decomposition results: full signal and mode 1 of 3 shown.

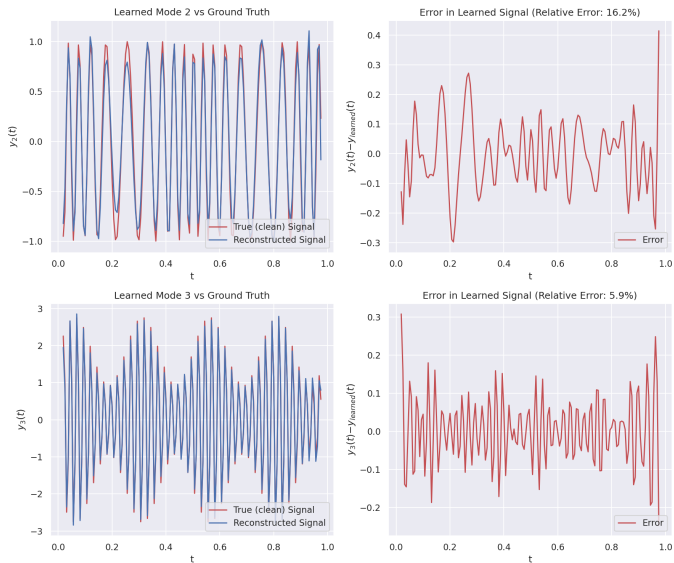


Figure: Decomposition results: modes 2 and 3 shown.

Three Mode Decomposition 2

Noncontinuous and overlapping, Evenly Sampled

Input: $y(t) = y_1(t) + y_2(t) + y_3(t)$ defined by

$$y_1(t) = \pi t, t \in [0, 5/4[$$

$$y_2(t) = \cos(40\pi t), t \in [0, 5/4[$$

$$y_3(t) = \cos\left(\frac{4}{3}((2\pi t - 10)^3 - (2\pi - 10)^3 + 20\pi(t - 1))\right), t \in]1, 2].$$

Parameters: $f_{\max} = 80, M = 10\,240, r = 5\%, w = 0.1\text{ s},$

$\text{min_samples} = 5, \epsilon = 0.125, s = 1/80.$

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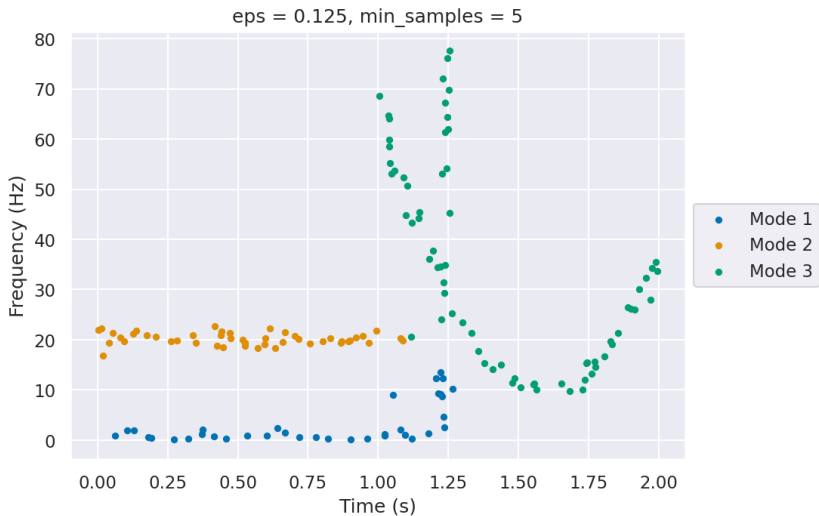


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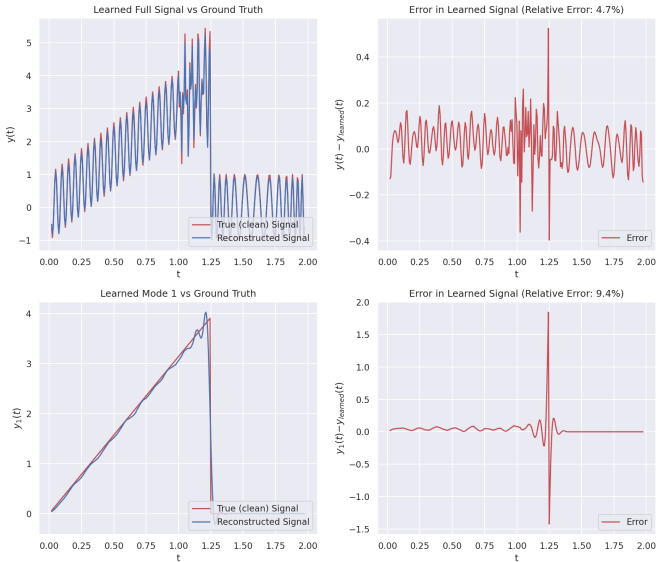


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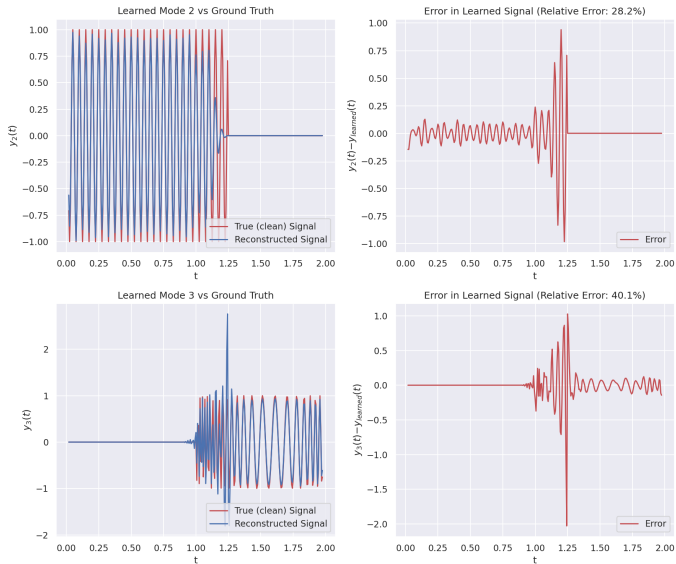


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Flute and Guitar Decomposition

Input: $y(t) = y_1(t) + y_2(t)$ where $y_1(t)$ is a flute and $y_2(t)$ is a guitar clip around 1.85 s long.

$N = 44\,100 \text{ Hz} / 8 \cdot 1.85 \text{ s} \approx 10\,200$ samples.

Parameters:

$f_{\max} = 44\,100 \text{ Hz} / 16$, $M = 100\,000$, $r = 8\%$, $w = 0.03 \text{ s}$,.

(play examples)

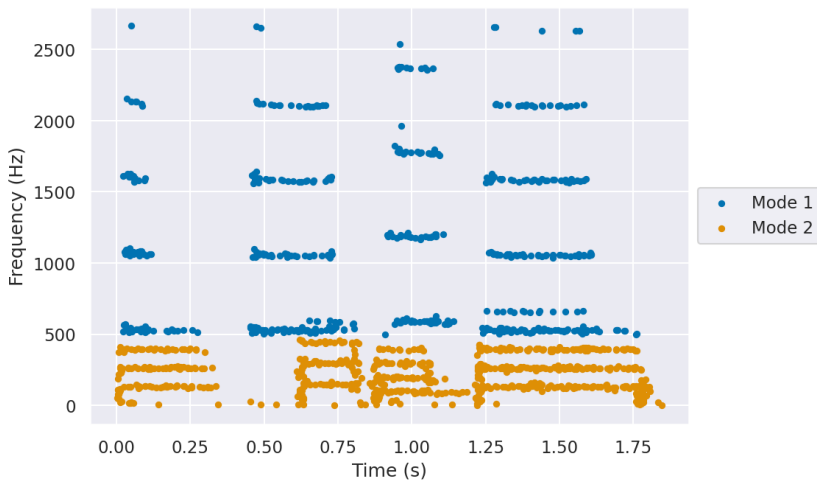


Figure: Segmentation via slice at $f = 480$ Hz

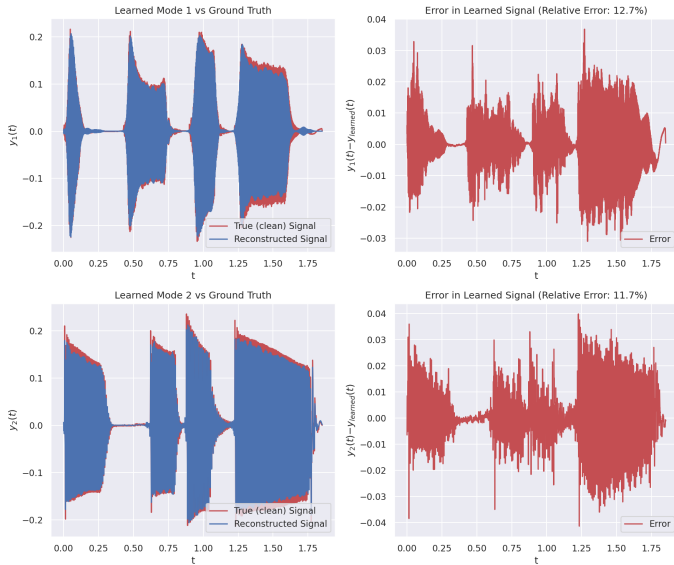


Figure: Decomposition results: modes 1 and 2 shown.

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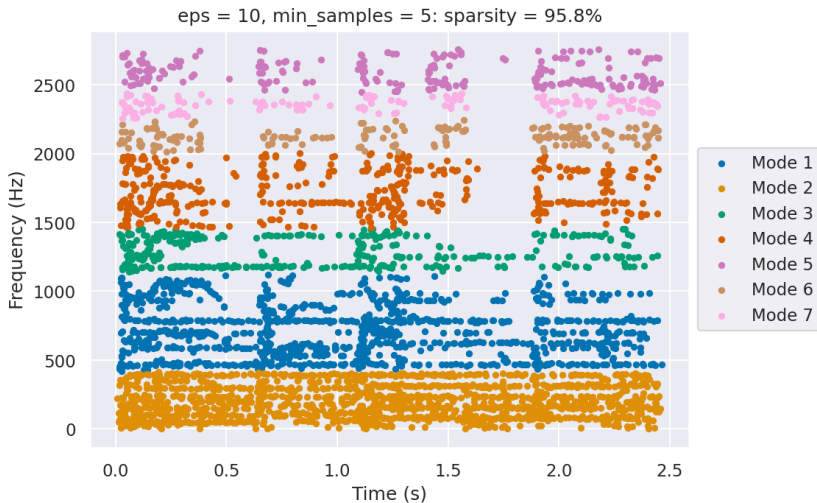


Figure: Attempted Full Song Decomposition

Suggested Improvements

Segmentation:

- Group wavelets with similar weights
- Use two step clustering to group harmonics/notes first
- Define new metric where integer multiple frequencies are considered close

Clustering:

- Higher level basis for more sparsity
- Experiment with LASSO to enforce a given level of sparsity

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Thank you for listening!

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[Code for Examples](#)

Additional Decomposition Example

Uniquely Banded Modes, Randomly Sampled

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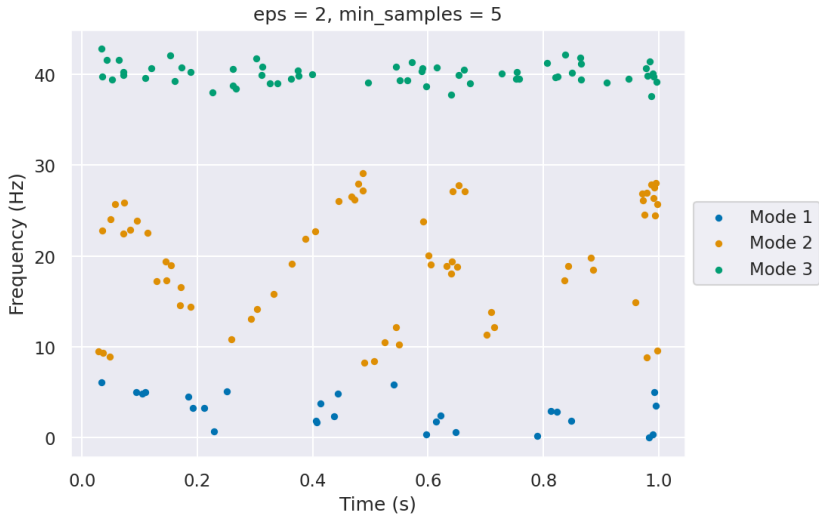


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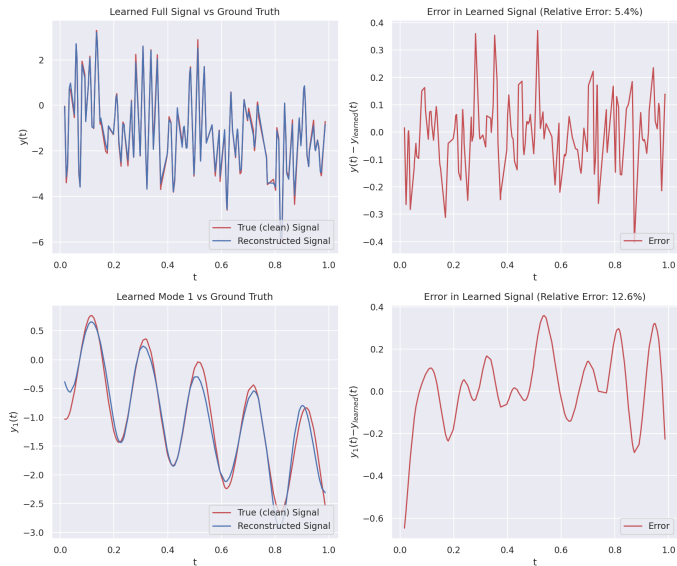


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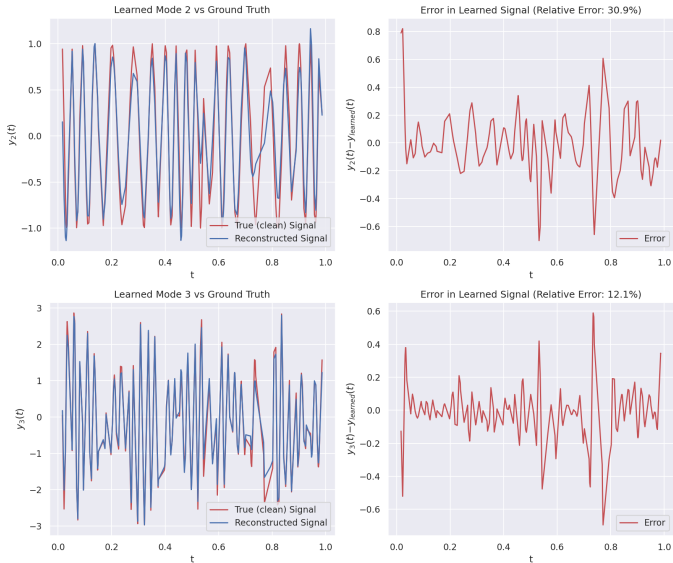


Figure: Decomposition results: modes 2 and 3 shown.

Flute and Guitar Decomposition

With Wavelet Clustering

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Parameters:

$f_{\max} = 44\,100 \text{ Hz} / 16$, $M = 100\,000$, $r = 8\%$, $w = 0.03 \text{ s}$,

$\text{min_samples} = 5$, $\epsilon = 350$, $s = 1$.

(play examples)

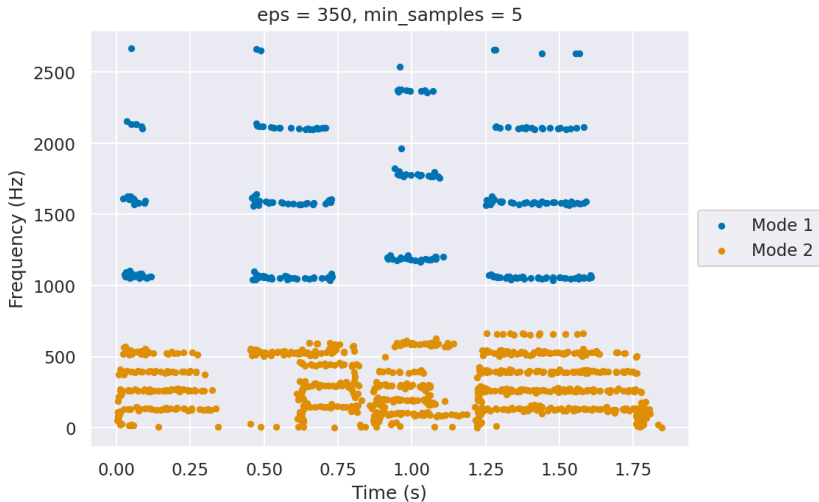


Figure: Segmentation of nonzero wavelets into two modes

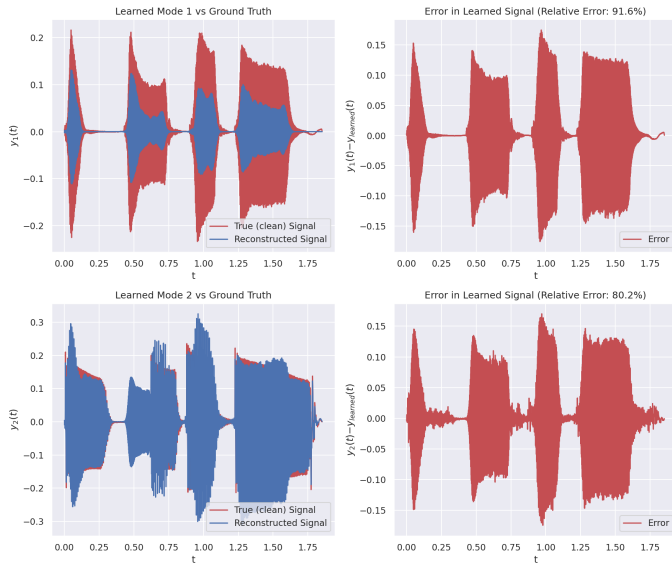


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