

Phase-magnitude relations and phaseless reconstruction for time-frequency and time-scale representations

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Abstract

It is widely accepted that the phase and magnitude components of redundant time-frequency and time-scale representations are not independent and carry equally important information. For the short-time Fourier and wavelet transforms with an appropriate mother wavelet, this dependence can be made explicit in the so-called phase-magnitude (PM) relations. More explicitly, the PM relations establish a one-to-one mapping from the gradient of the logarithmic magnitude of the transform to the gradient of its phase. The PM relations for the short-time Fourier transform were previously studied by Portnoff and later rediscovered by Auger et al. Recently, we showed that similar relations hold for wavelet transforms as well. In both cases, the PM relations can be employed to enable signal reconstruction from magnitude-only transform coefficients by combining them with an adaptive integration scheme. The resulting algorithms often perform on par or better than more expensive, iterative algorithms for phaseless reconstruction. We demonstrate their application in the audio domain. Based on joint work with Luis Daniel Abreu, Peter Balazs, Pavel Rajmic and Peter L. Søndergaard

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