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# Νέες Τεχνολογίες στην Ανάλυση της Κίνησης

Διάλεξη 1 Σφάλμα – Ανάλυση χρόνου και συχνοτήτων – Εξομάλυνση δεδομένων

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# **Presentation Outline**

Background – Problems

Solutions

Current / future research















time (s)

# The effect of error : displacement



Pezzack, 1977; Lanshammar, 1982



- Acceleration = velocity / time
  - Acceleration = DER (Velocity) = DER\_DER(Displacement)

# The effect of error : velocity



#### The effect of error : acceleration



Reference acceleration provided by Graeme Wood, 1997



# Why is this happening ?

#### Frequency domain analysis



















# Time domain - Frequency domain



Time domain - frequency domain (Fourier Transform)





Constituent sinusoids of different frequencies

# Four essential components of timevarying signal



• Figure 11.2 The four essential components of a time-varying signal.



Velocity and acceleration

 Any error included in the displacement data will significantly be amplified via the differentiation process (ill posed problem)

e.g. DER(0.1\*sin(30\*X)) = 0.1\*30\*Sin(30\*X)

 $DER(Sina^*X) = a^*Cosa^*X$  $DER(Cosa^*X) = -a^*Sina^*X$ 

Signal =  $\Sigma[aSinx + bCosx] + c$ 



#### Displacement







Noisy signal

Data reproduced by Hatze (1990)

# Velocity





Noisy signal





Data reproduced by Hatze (1990)

# Acceleration



# Angular displacement of the elbow



**Giakas** (2002)

# Angular acceleration of the elbow



Giakas, Stergioulas and Vourdas, 2000

# Problems

- Selection of appropriate cut-off frequency
- Differentiation process
- Endpoint distortion

#### Signals are non-stationary

# Angular displacement of the elbow



Georgakis, Stergioulas and Giakas, 2003

# Selection of cut-off

- Winter (1974)
- Hatze (1981)
- Woltring (1986)
- Dohrmann et al (1988)
- Damico and Ferrigno (1990)
- Simons and Yang (1991)
- Giakas and Baltzopoulos (1997a)
- Yu (1999)
- Challis (1999)
- Georgakis, Stergioulas and Giakas (2003)

# **Differentiation process**

 The calculation of velocity and acceleration requires a different cut-off frequency applied to the displacement data (Hatze, 1981; Giakas and Baltzopoulos, 1997b)

# **Differentiation process**



Giakas and Baltzopoulos (1997b)

#### **Differentiation process**



Giakas and Baltzopoulos, 1997b

# **Endpoint distortion**



The signal is distorted at the edges when some filters are used

Vaughan 1982



- Smith (1989)
- Vint and Hinrichs (1996)
- Giakas et al (1998)



## **Endpoint distortion**



# **Fundamentals**

- Every single point requires a different cut-off frequency
- Every axis (of the same point) requires a different cut-off frequency
- Different data collection settings require adjustment of the filtering parameters





Georgakis, Stergioulas and Giakas 2003

# Signals are non stationary



data point

Giakas, Vourdas and Stergioulas 2000

# Signals are non stationary



Giakas, Stergioulas and Vourdas 2000

# Joint time frequency analysis



Georgakis, Stergioulas and Giakas 2003

#### Signals are non stationary



Georgakis, Stergioulas and Giakas 2003

#### http://isb.ri.ccf.org/software/ISBS99/GGPSA/

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