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# Deconvolution

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# Convolutional model of seismic data

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Seismogram :

$$x(t) = s(t) * g(t)$$

$x(t)$  = seismogram

$s(t)$  = seismic wavelet

$g(t)$  = earth response (Green's function)

# Inverse filter: deconvolution

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Desired: *undo* effect of source  $s(t)$ :

$$f(t) * s(t) = \delta(t)$$

Apply  $f(t)$  to seismogram  $x(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) * x(t) &= f(t) * s(t) * g(t) \\ &= \delta(t) * g(t) \\ &= g(t) \end{aligned}$$

Neutralizing effect of  $s(t)$  is called *Deconvolution*

# Inverse filter in frequency domain

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In frequency domain:

$$X(f) = S(f)G(f)$$

Inverse of  $S(f)$ :

$$F(f) = \frac{1}{S(f)}$$

Apply to spectrum of seismogram  $X(f)$ :

$$\frac{X(f)}{S(f)} = G(f)$$

# Deconvolution in presence of noise

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Signal model in presence of noise:

$$x(t) = s(t) * g(t) + n(t)$$

In frequency domain:

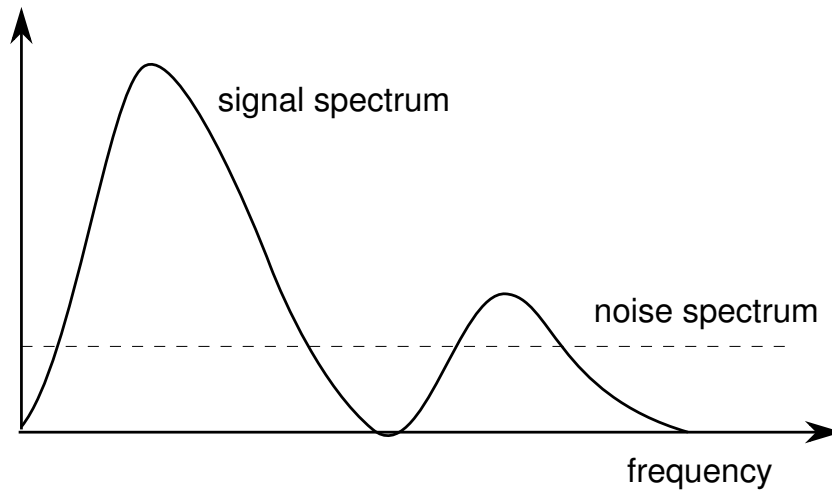
$$X(f) = S(f)G(f) + N(f)$$

Deconvolution (dividing by  $S(f)$ ):

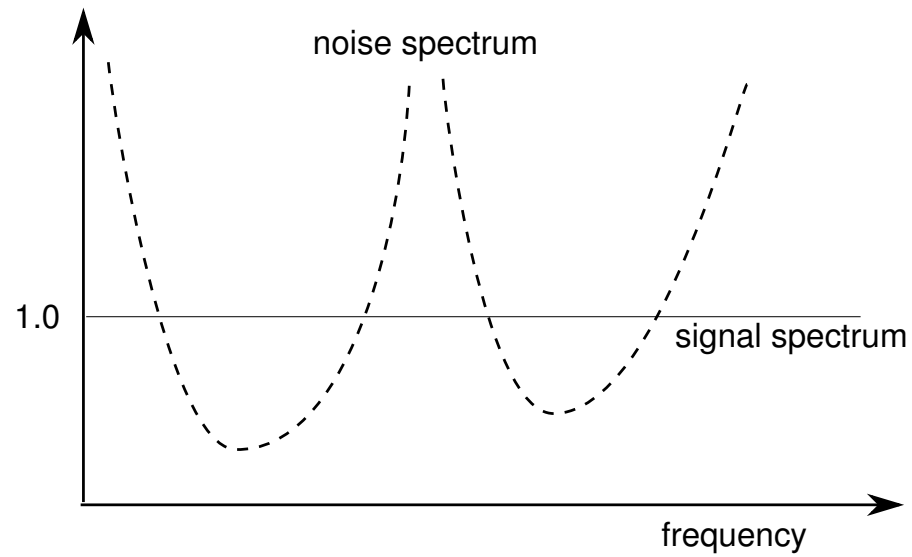
$$\frac{X(f)}{S(f)} = G(f) + \frac{N(f)}{S(f)}$$

If  $S(f)$  is small for certain frequencies, this blows up the noise.

# Deconvolution in presence of noise



a) Before deconvolution



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Therefore, **stabilize division**:

Apply filter:

$$F(f) = \frac{S^*(f)}{S(f)S^*(f) + \epsilon^2}$$

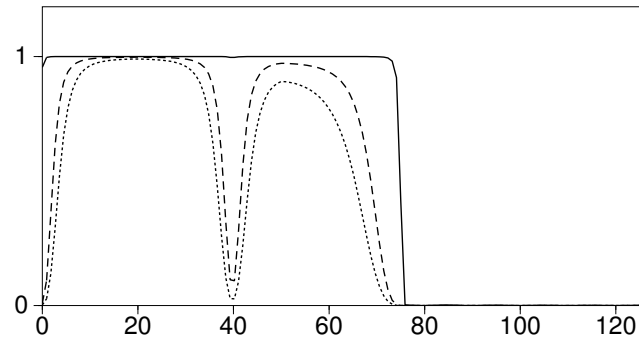
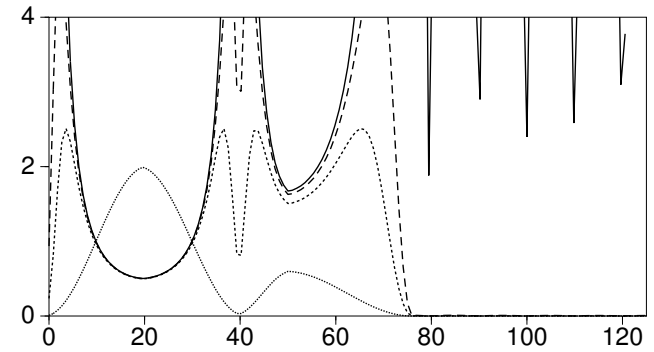
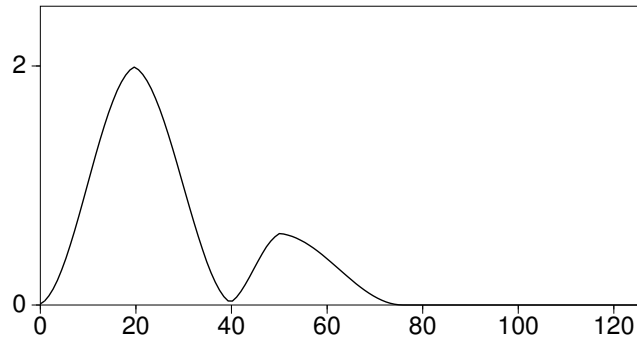
$$\text{If } |S(f)| \gg \epsilon : F(f) = \frac{1}{S(f)}$$

$$\text{If } |S(f)| \ll \epsilon : F(f) = \frac{S^*(f)}{\epsilon^2} \approx 0$$

Choose  $\epsilon$  as, e.g.,  $\epsilon = \alpha \times \max(|S(f)|)$  with  
 $\alpha \approx 0.01 - 0.1$

# Deconvolution without noise

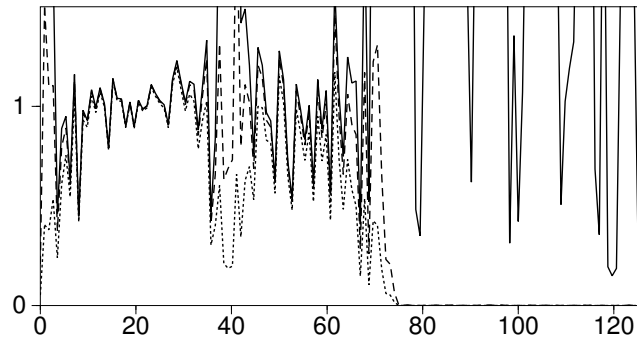
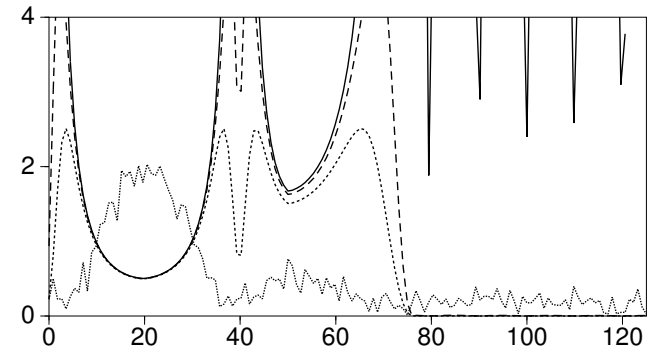
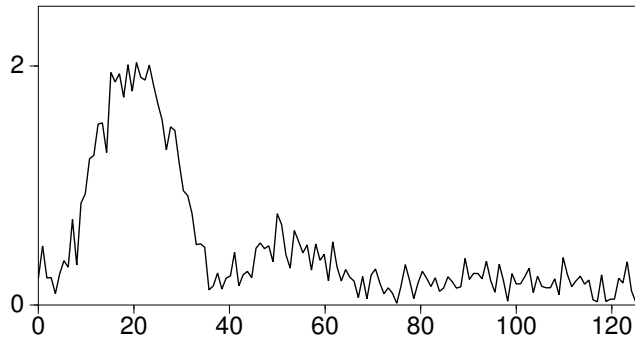
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# Deconvolution in presence of noise

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# Deconvolution to desired output

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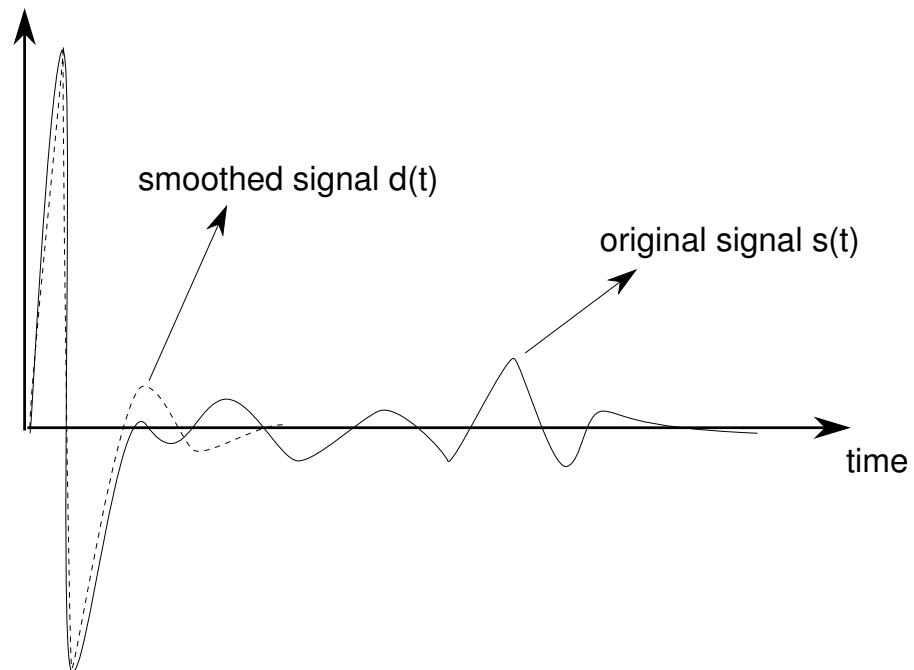
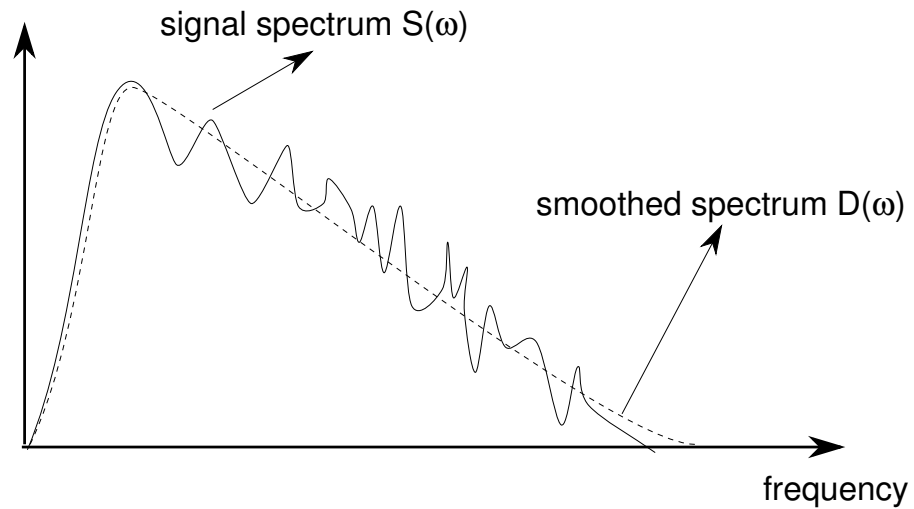
Deconvolution problem:

$$f(t) * s(t) = d(t)$$

where  $d(t)$  is desired output (previously  $\delta(t)$ )

# Deconvolution to desired output

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Then, output after deconvolution:

$$F(f)X(f) = D(f)G(f)$$

So filter:

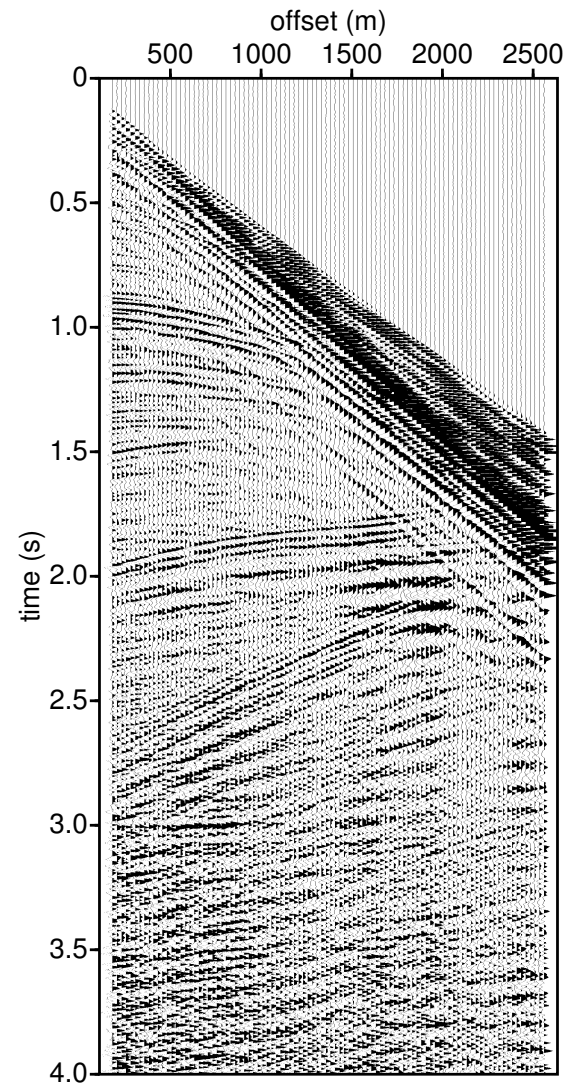
$$F(f) = \frac{D(f)}{S(f)}$$

Or, stabilized,:

$$F(f) = \frac{D(f)S^*(f)}{S(f)S^*(f) + \epsilon^2}$$

# Deconvolution: field data

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# Deconvolution field data

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