

# S-Transform based Power Quality Analysis

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**Abstract:** This paper provides an analysis of S-transform and different variants of S-transform and its application in power quality disturbance analysis in power system. Simulation results were provided in this paper.

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## Introduction

Power quality is one of the most important issue in power system. The nonlinear loads connected to power system draw nonlinear and harmonic current which creates power quality disturbance in the power system. There are several type of power quality disturbances such as sag, swell, interruption etc. It's very difficult to acquire such signals therefore, different mathematical formulation is available which replicate the power quality disturbance signal.

Signal processing techniques are widely used for detection and classification of power quality disturbances in power system. Transform domain functions are widely used signal processing techniques. S-transform is one of the widely used transform domain signal processing technique which is widely used [1,2]. There are variety of S-transform algorithms available in literature [3] which is used for power quality disturbance detection and protection aspects [4]. Fractional S-transform is outlined in [5]. Generalized discrete S transform is provided in [6]. Different variants of S-transform is provided in [7-9].

This paper provides a study of S-transform based processing aspect of power quality disturbance signal.

### Power Quality Issues in Power System

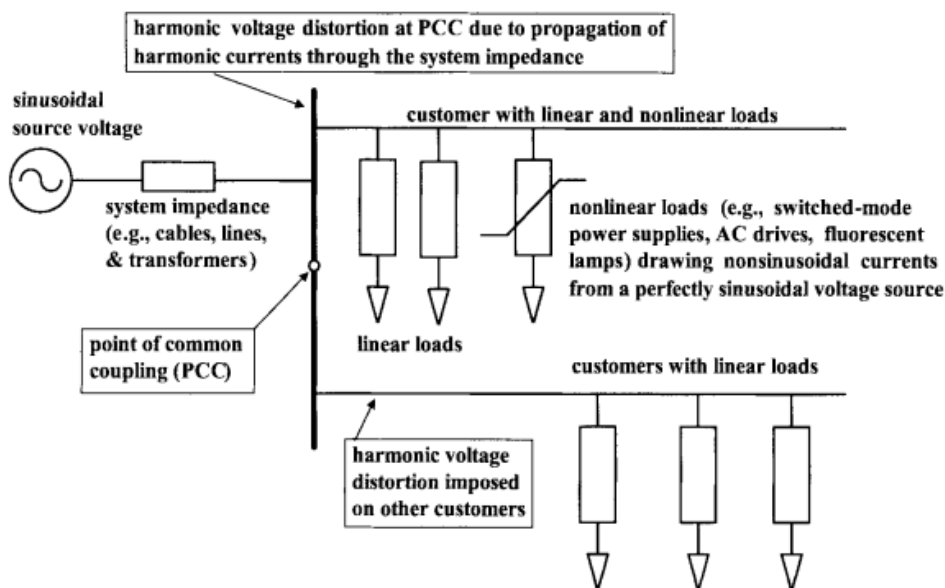


Figure 1: Power quality issues in power system

magnitude of event	110%	very short overvoltage	short overvoltage	long overvoltage	very long overvoltage
	90%	very short undervoltage	short undervoltage	long undervoltage	very long undervoltage
		1-3 cycles	1-3 min	1-3 hours	
		duration of event			

Figure 2: Different type of power quality disturbance

Figure 1 illustrates the concept of power quality disturbance in a power system. Power quality disturbances occur due to nonlinear load drawing nonlinear and harmonic current in the power system at the point of common coupling (PCC). Different type of nonlinear loads are switched mode converter, rectifier, flourescent lamp, AC drives etc. Figure 2 illustrates the time duration of power quality disturbances. Though the time duration of power quality disturbances are low, the amplitude is high enough.

**S-Transform: Theory**

S-transform of a signal  $x(t)$  can be represented as

$$S(\tau, f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)w(\tau - t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \tag{1}$$

Window function is a scalable Gaussian window

$$w(t, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2}} \tag{2}$$

$$\sigma(f) = \frac{1}{|f|} \tag{3}$$

Eq(1) can be written as

$$S(\tau, f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \left\{ \frac{|f|}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(\tau-t)^2 f^2}{2}} e^{-j2\pi ft} \right\} dt \tag{4}$$

$$S(\tau, f, \beta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)w(\tau - t, f, \beta)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \tag{5}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} w(\tau, t, \beta) dt = 1 \tag{6}$$

S-transform can be written as

$$S(\tau, f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} H(\alpha + f)e^{-\frac{2\pi^2\alpha^2}{f^2}} e^{i2\pi\alpha\tau} d\alpha \tag{7}$$

The discrete Fourier transform can be written as

$$H\left[\frac{n}{NT}\right] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} h[kT]e^{-\frac{i2\pi nk}{N}} \tag{8}$$

$$S\left[jT, \frac{n}{NT}\right] = \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} H\left[\frac{m+n}{NT}\right] e^{-\frac{i2\pi^2 m^2}{n^2}} e^{\frac{i2\pi mj}{N}}, n \neq 0 \tag{9}$$

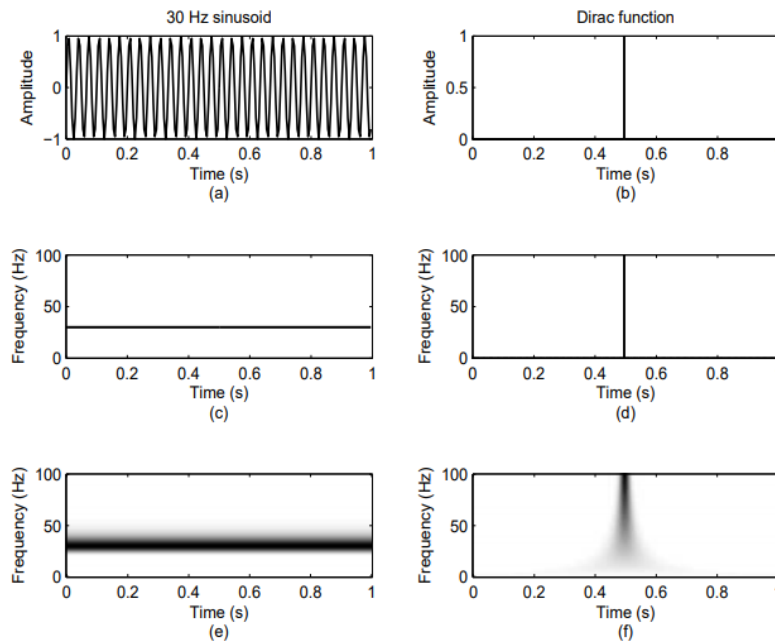


Figure 3: Time-frequency representation of signal

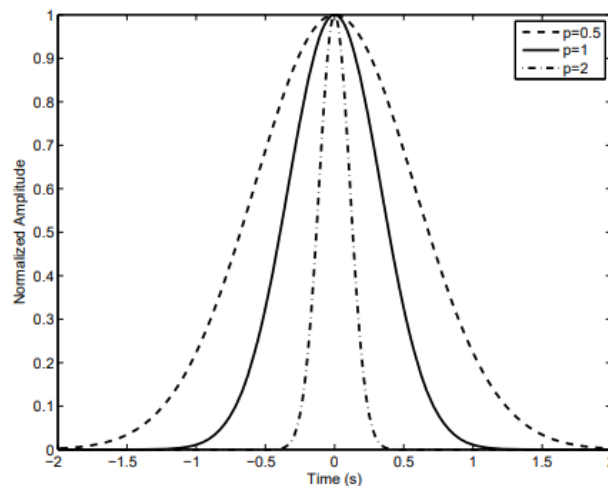
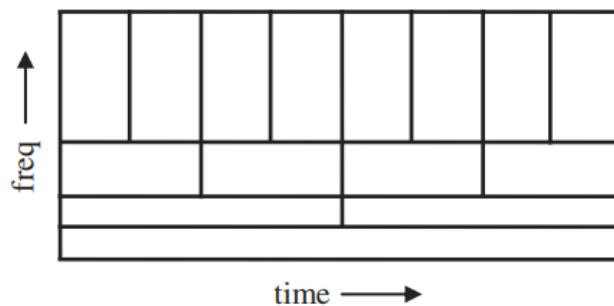


Figure 4: Normalized gaussian window for varying width of  $p$

Fast discrete S-transform is one of the variants of discrete S-transform which uses different form of scaling windows as illustrated in Figure 5.



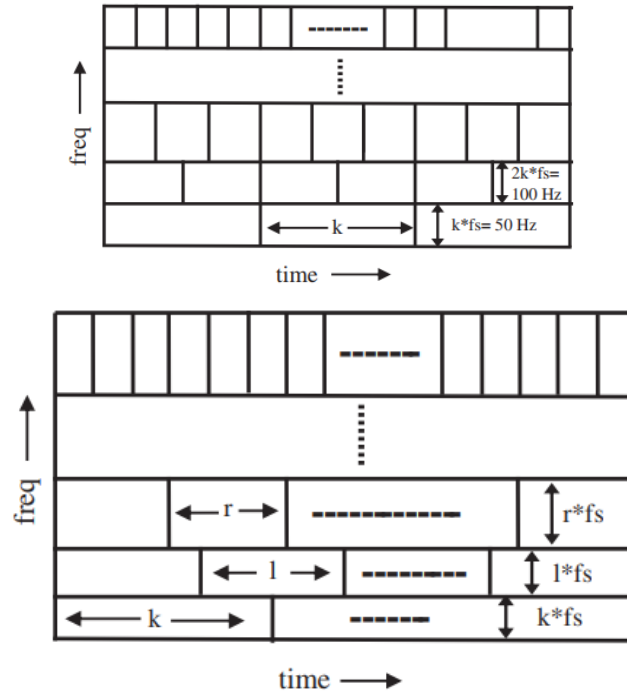


Figure 5: (a) Dydaic scaling, (b) Power signal scaling and (c) automatic scaling  
**Simulation Results**

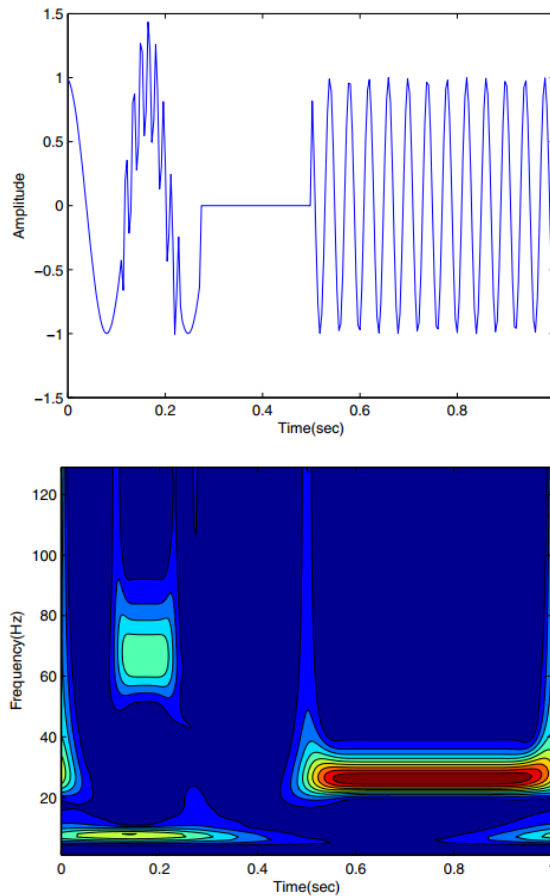


Figure 6: Time-frequency representation of a PQ signal

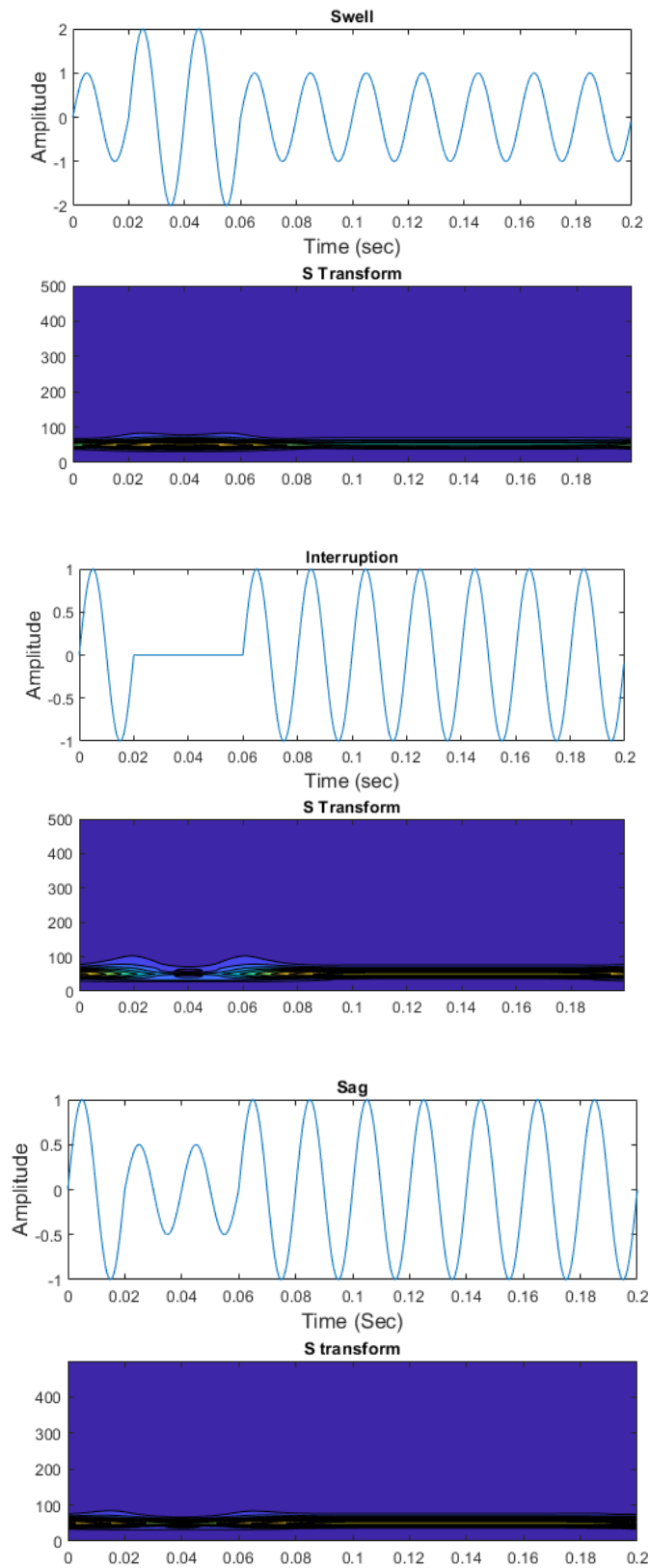


Figure 7: S-transform of swell, interruption and Sag power quality disturbances

Figure 6 and Figure 7 shows S-transform representation of different power quality disturbance signals. Figure 8 shows the time complexity of different S-transform techniques

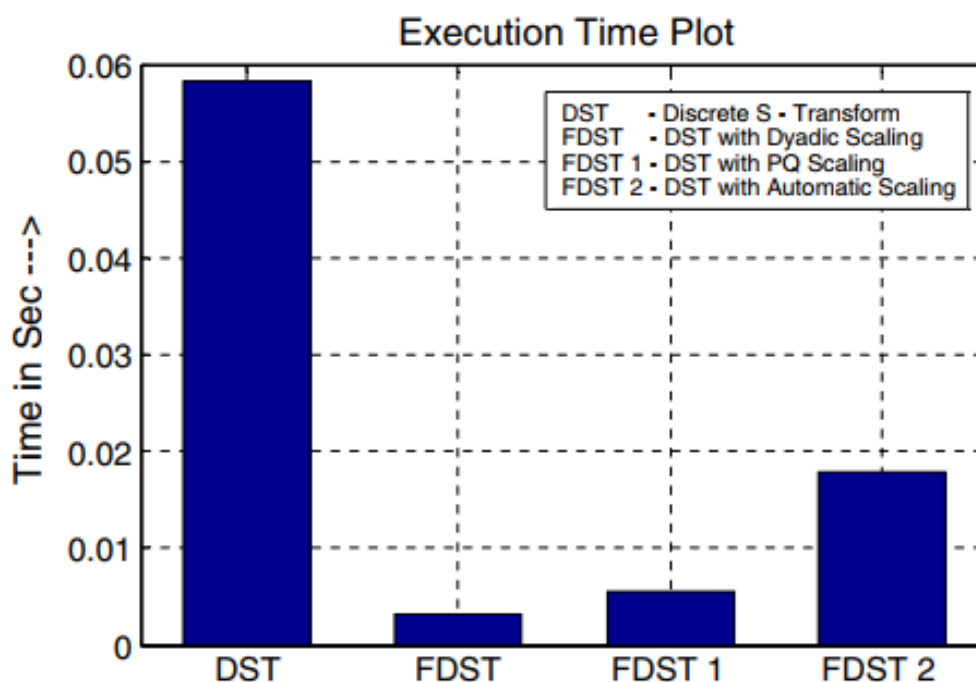


Figure 8: Execution time plot for different variants of S-transform

### Conclusion

This paper provides a study of different S-transform techniques for power quality disturbance signal. Mathematical formulation of different S-transform techniques have been provided as well as simulation results have been provided.

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