



# Wavelet Analysis of LIGO Data

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- Outline

- What are wavelets?
- How to use wavelets in LIGO data analysis?
- Wavelet Analysis Tool
- Current status
- Plans & Conclusion



## LIGO Data Analysis at UF

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- LSC White Paper - plan of work on
  - detector characterization
  - development of detection algorithms
  - provision of reduced data sets
- One of the UF group commitments is:
  - Development of Wavelet Analysis Tool for
    - data compression/reduction
    - transient signal characterization
    - un-modeled GW sources identification
  - WAT will be part of LIGO/LSC Algorithm Library
- “Wavelet” people at UF:  
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# Wavelets

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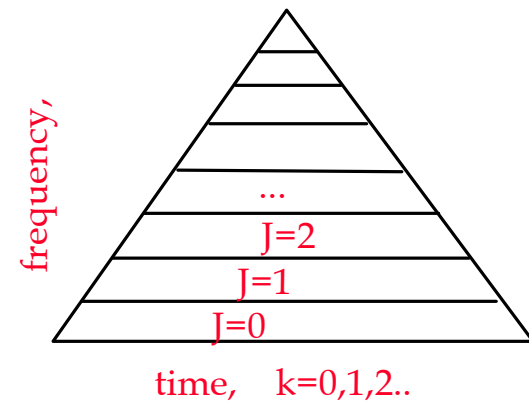
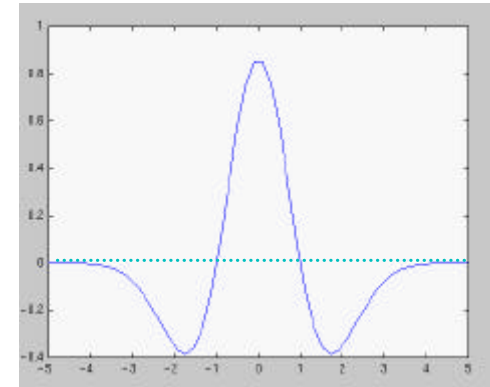
- What are wavelets?
  - set of basis functions  $\Psi_{jk} = a^{j/2} \Psi_0(a^j x - k)$ ;  $\Psi_0$  -mother wavelet
  - used in a way similar to Fourier Transform:  
 $w_{jk} = \sum_i f(x_i) \Psi_{jk}(x_i)$  - digital wavelet transformation of  $f(x_i)$
  - local in time & frequency domains (in contrast to Fourier Transform)  
real signals are finite in time!
- Why wavelets?
  - wavelets are convenient for pattern recognition
    - widely used in image and signal processing.
    - can be used for GW signal and non-gaussian noise identification.
  - allow simple description of signal with minimal number of waveforms
  - mathematics of wavelets is well developed, algorithms are flexible and fast.
- Very promising technique for LIGO data analysis



# Wavelet Domain

- Coefficients of wavelet transform  $W_{jk}$  represent signal in wavelet domain
- $W_{jk}$  data structure is a pyramid
  - $W_{jk}$  at low layers ( $j=0,1,..$ ) describe high frequency signal components
  - $W_{jk}$  in a layer ( $k=0,1,..$ ) represent signal's components separated in time.
- Wavelet methods
  - statistical analysis and selection of  $W_{jk}$
  - pattern recognition in  $W_{jk}$  space
  - signal decomposition

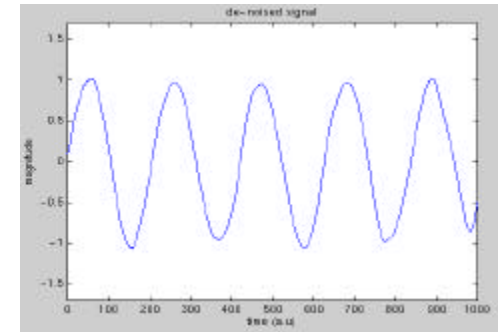
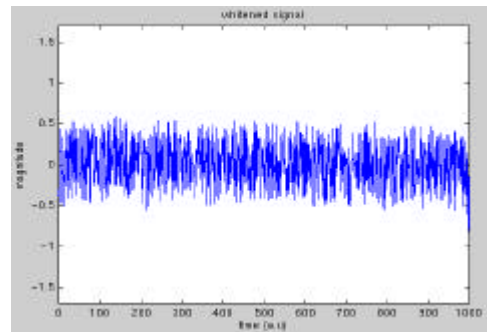
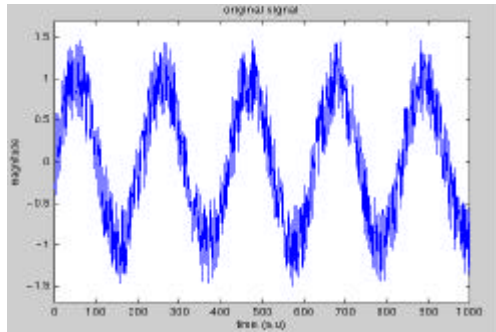
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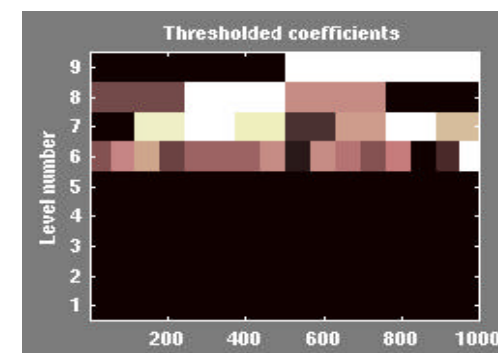
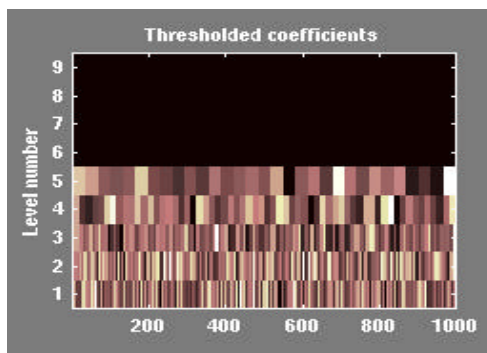
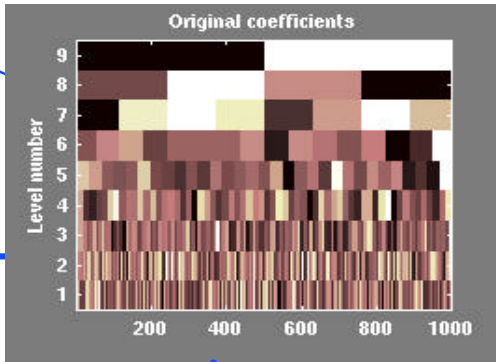


# Elementary example of wavelet use (Daubechie 4 wavelet)

$\text{Sin}(t) + \text{white noise} = \text{noise} + \text{sin}(t)$



frequency



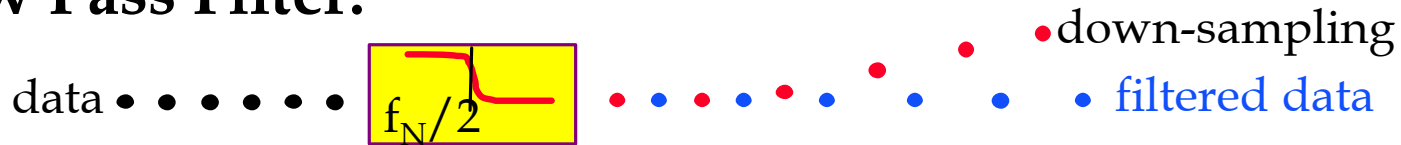
time

- Wavelets filter data
- Wavelets reduce data

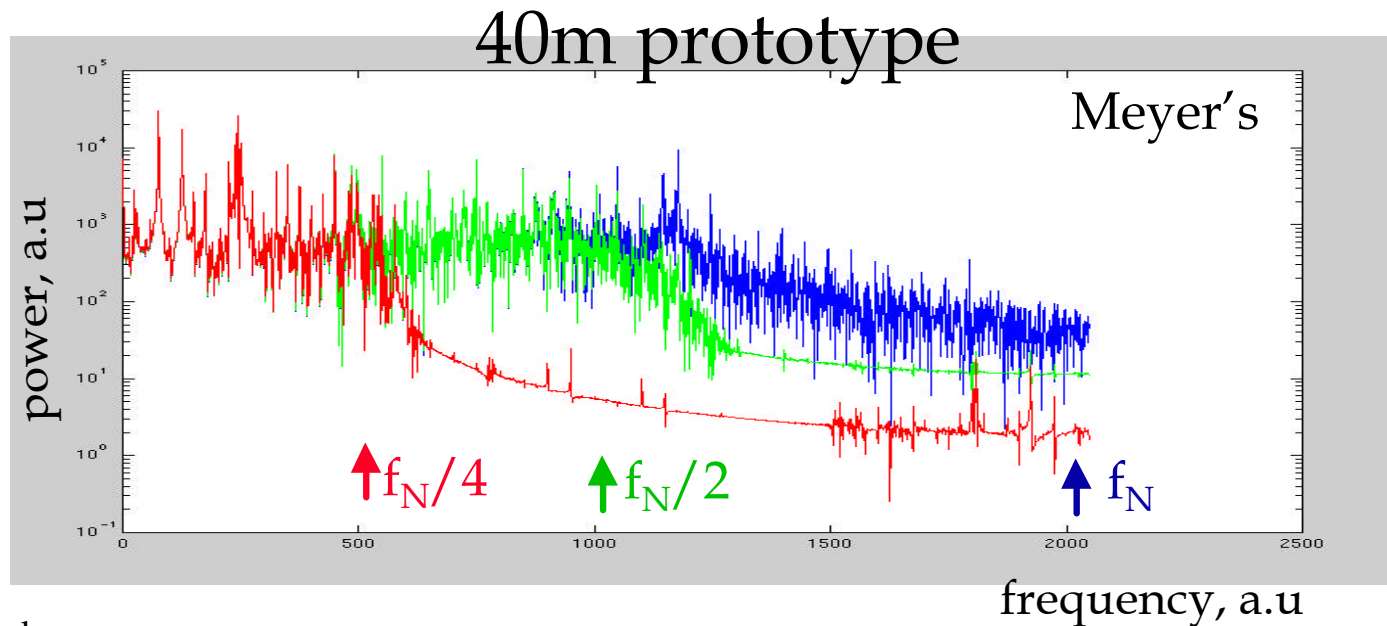
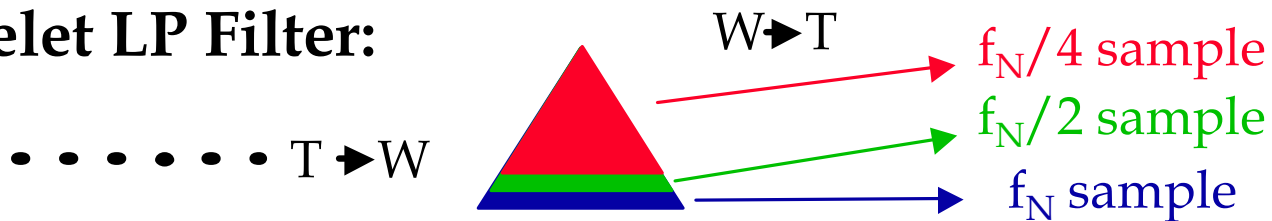


# Wavelet low pass filter

- Low Pass Filter:



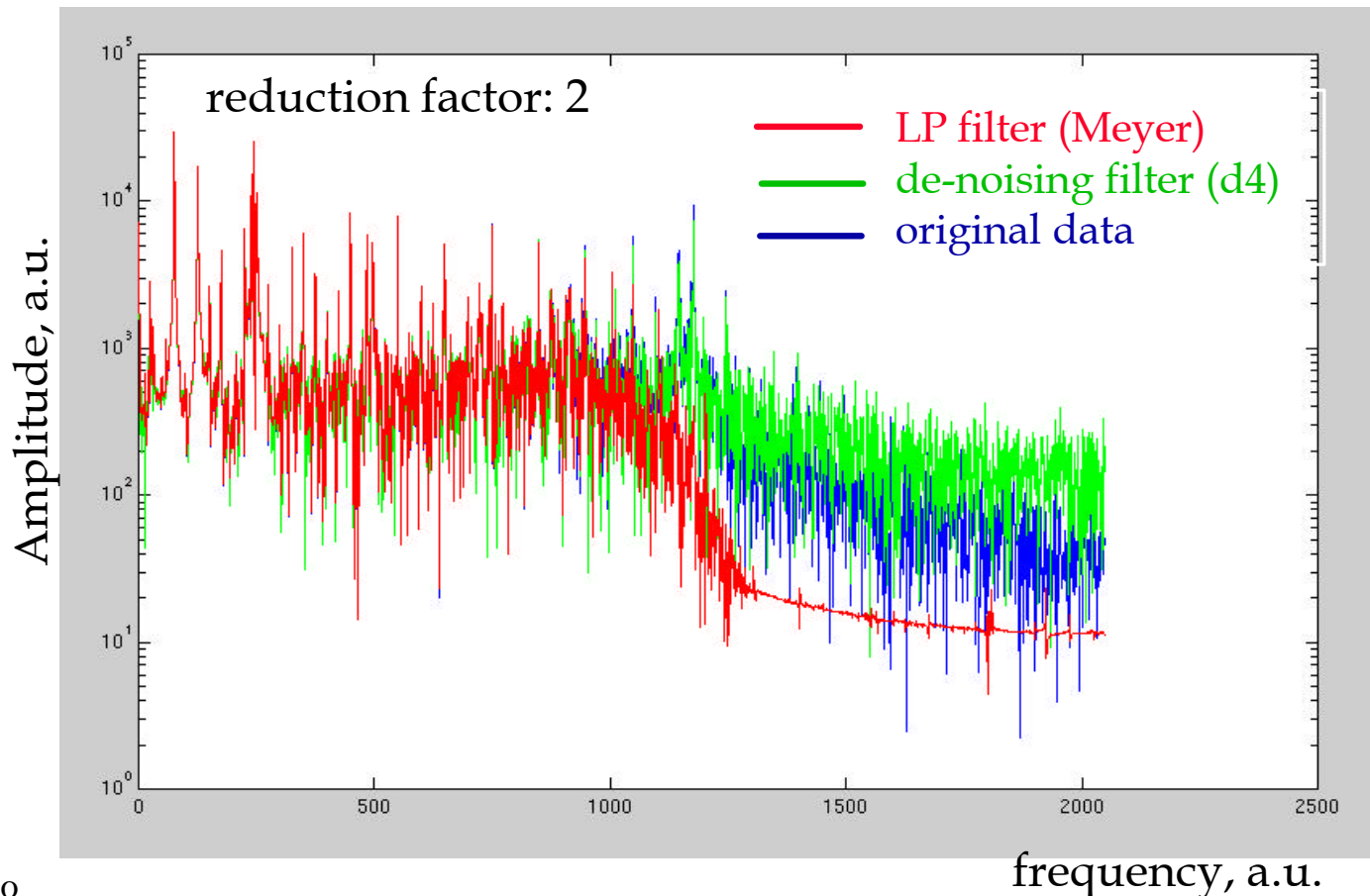
- Wavelet LP Filter:





# De-noising

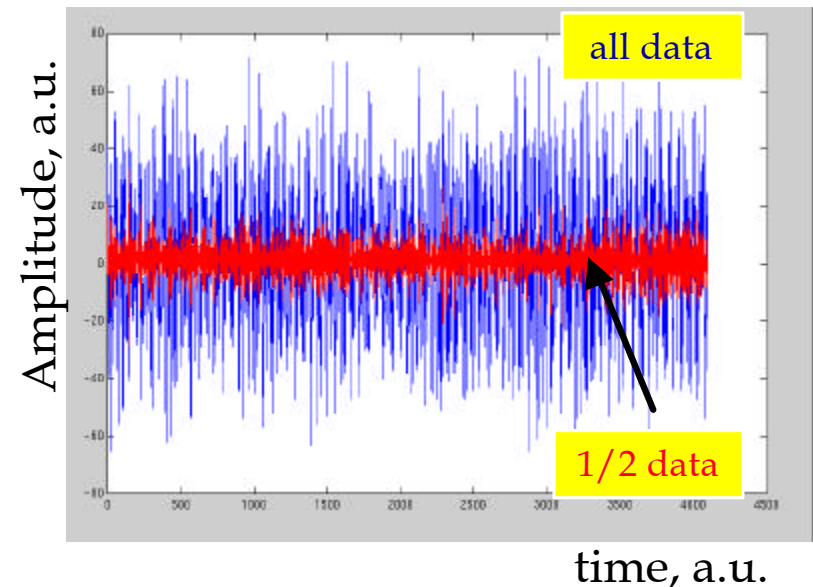
- selection of wavelet coefficients with “large amplitude”
- allows compact representation of data in wavelet domain





# Data Reduction/Compression

- Reduction by
  - filtering out high frequency components (LP filter)
  - de-noising (different de-noising strategies can be used)
  - removing “bad” data
- Reduced data sets for specific analysis tasks
  - reduction factor of 2-5 depending on the task
- Compression:
  - signal decomposition
  - “zip” data in wavelet domain
- ?compression factor?

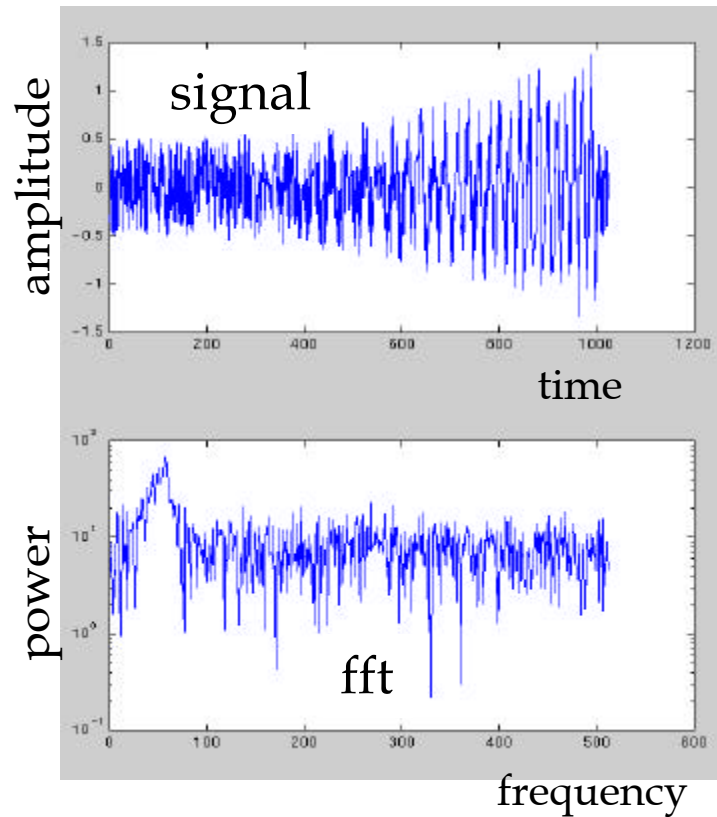




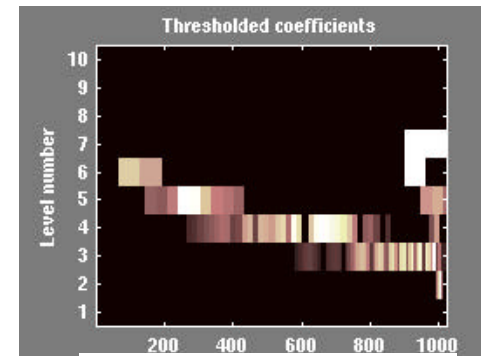


# Simple Example of wavelet use (Mayer's wavelet)

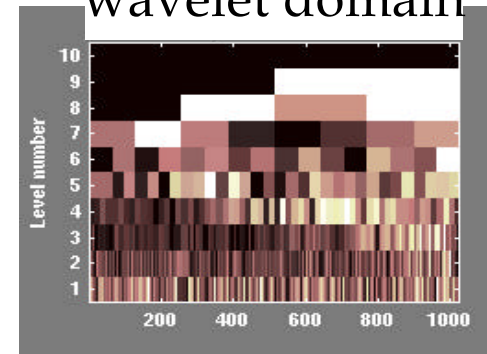
- Chirp + white noise



chirp 'signature'



wavelet domain

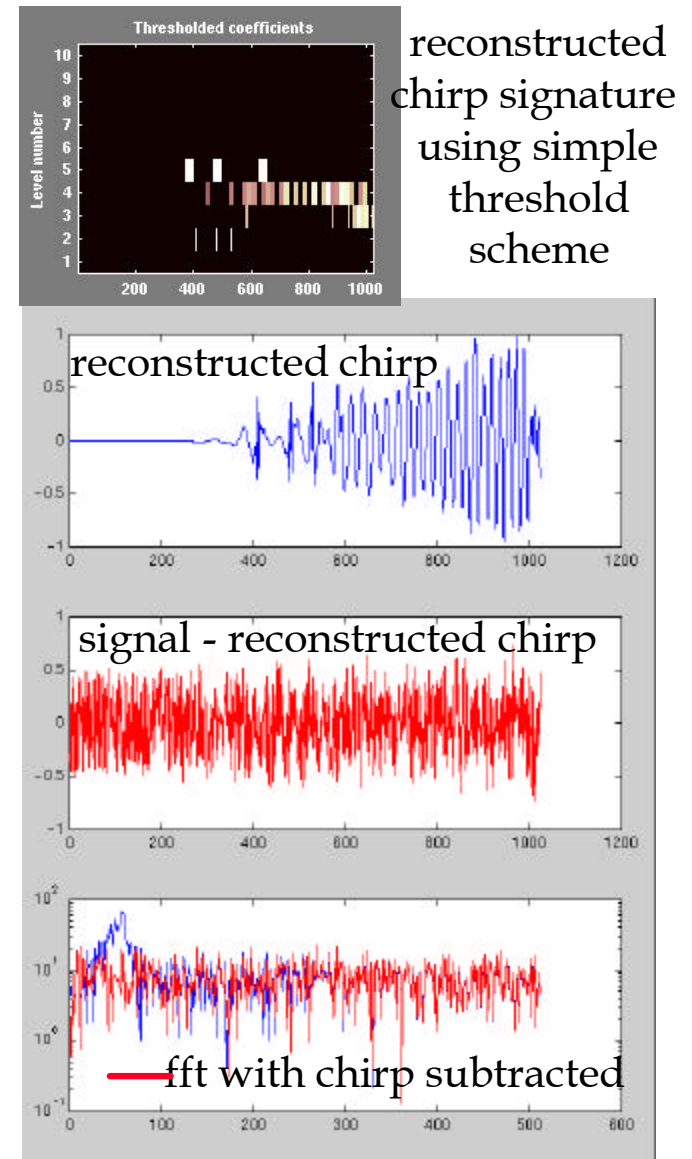


- GW signal or transient can be identified by it's signature



# Transients identification

- Transient is characterized by its signature in wavelet domain
- Wavelet trigger identifies transient's signature by statistical analysis of data in wavelet domain. All types of wavelets can be used.
- Wavelet filter - trigger implemented with orthogonal (bi-orthogonal) wavelet. Transient can be rebuilt in time domain using its reconstructed signature and subtracted from the original data.





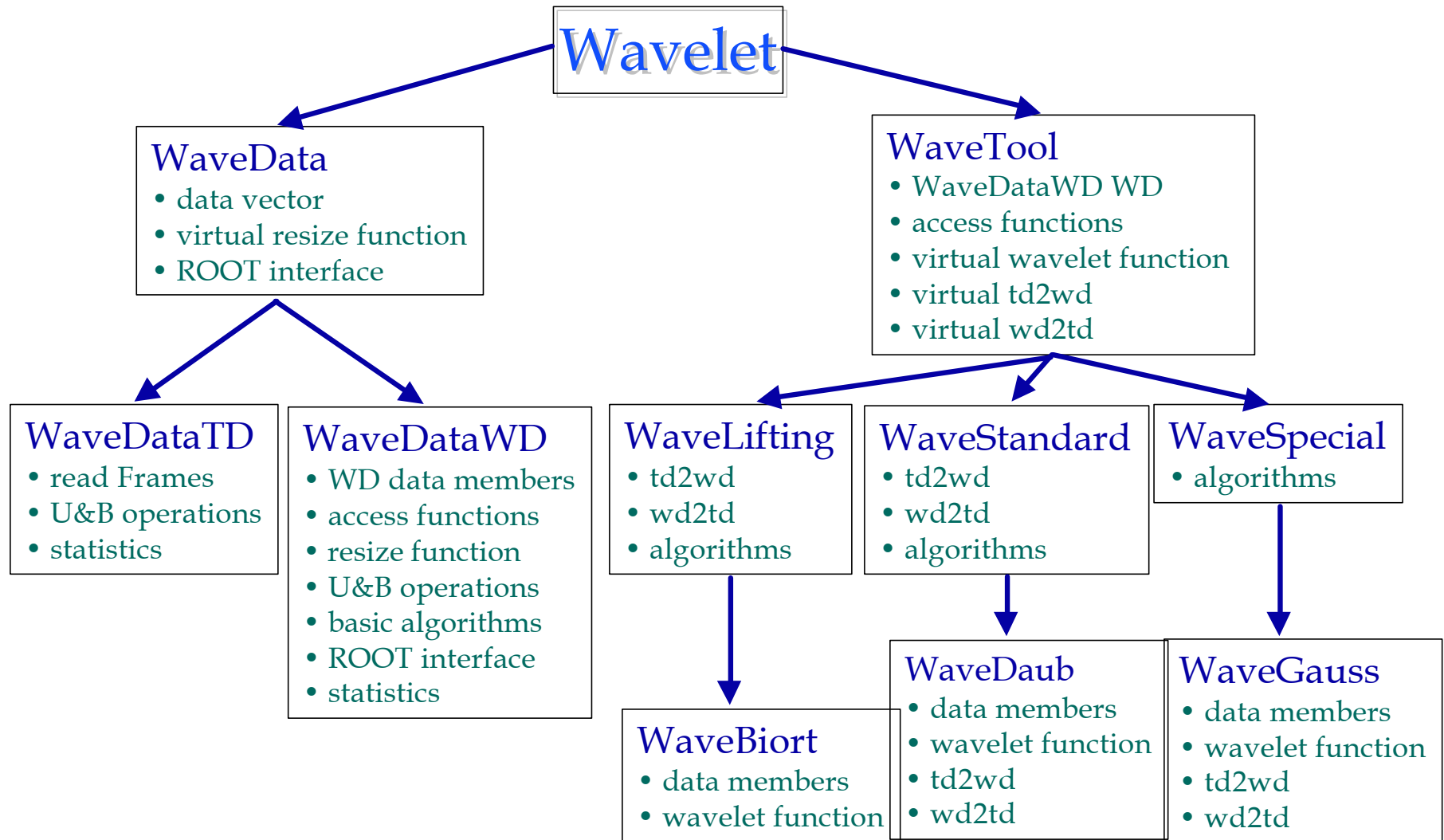
# Wavelet Analysis Tool

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- Toolbox to construct data triggers/filters and process LIGO data.
- WAT components:
  - wavelet class library (C++):
    - wavelet domain data structure and functions
    - wavelet transformations (Doubachie's, Mayer's, Fast Wavelet Transforms)
  - interfaces to LDAS (Frame format) and GUI (ROOT)
  - build in set of wavelet algorithms for data analysis
- Why we need WAT? (?Matlab?)
  - can be used to process large amount of data
  - provides class library for development of new wavelet algorithms
  - will agree with LLAL requirements



# Wavelet Class Library





## Current Status

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- Wavelet Analysis Tool development
  - WAT structure is determined
  - can read Frame data (need switch from Fcl to FrameCpp)
  - lifting wavelets are implemented
  - Gaussian wavelets (in progress)
  - data reduction algorithms (in progress)
  - transients identification (investigating)
  - interface to ROOT (investigating)



# Plans

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- Short term plan (Aug 2000):
  - develop first version of WAT
    - wavelet class library
    - interfaces to LIGO data and ROOT
    - set of Fast Wavelet Transforms and Gaussian wavelets
  - first algorithms for transient analysis and data reduction
- **Long term plans (2000-2002)**
  - 2000 - initial WAT
    - develop simple and fast wavelets & wavelet algorithms to process large amount of data at earlier stage of analysis.
  - 2001 & 2002 - final WAT
    - develop more sophisticated and hence less time efficient wavelets and wavelet packets for final stage of data analysis.
    - use wavelets to analyze LIGO data



## Conclusion

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- Wavelets can be used to construct data triggers and filters to sort out GW and noise pulses and produce reduced data sets.
- Flexible Wavelet Analysis Tool is needed
  - Different wavelets and algorithms need to be used for different tasks
  - Different wavelets and algorithms will be used at initial and final stages of analysis.
- UF group is working on wavelet algorithms and wavelet software development