# Basic Definitions 

# and <br> The Spectral Estimation Problem 

## Lecture 1

## Informal Definition of Spectral Estimation

Given: A finite record of a signal.

Determine: The distribution of signal power over frequency.



$$
\begin{aligned}
& \omega=\text { (angular) frequency in radians/(sampling interval) } \\
& f=\omega / 2 \pi=\text { frequency in cycles/(sampling interval) }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Applications

## Temporal Spectral Analysis

- Vibration monitoring and fault detection
- Hidden periodicity finding
- Speech processing and audio devices
- Medical diagnosis
- Seismology and ground movement study
- Control systems design
- Radar, Sonar


## Spatial Spectral Analysis

- Source location using sensor arrays


## Deterministic Signals

$\{y(t)\}_{t=-\infty}^{\infty}=\begin{aligned} & \text { discrete-time deterministic data } \\ & \text { sequence }\end{aligned}$

If:

$$
\sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty}|y(t)|^{2}<\infty
$$

Then:

$$
Y(\omega)=\sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} y(t) e^{-i \omega t}
$$

exists and is called the Discrete-Time Fourier Transform (DTFT)

## Energy Spectral Density

## Parseval's Equality:

$$
\sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty}|y(t)|^{2}=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} S(\omega) d \omega
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
S(\omega) & \triangleq|Y(\omega)|^{2} \\
& =\text { Energy Spectral Density }
\end{aligned}
$$

We can write

$$
S(\omega)=\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(k) e^{-i \omega k}
$$

where

$$
\rho(k)=\sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} y(t) y^{*}(t-k)
$$

## Random Signals

## Random Signal



Here:

$$
\sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty}|y(t)|^{2}=\infty
$$

But:

$$
E\left\{|y(t)|^{2}\right\}<\infty
$$

$E\{\cdot\}=$ Expectation over the ensemble of realizations
$E\left\{|y(t)|^{2}\right\}=$ Average power in $y(t)$

## PSD $=($ Average $)$ power spectral density

$$
\phi(\omega)=\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} r(k) e^{-i \omega k}
$$

where $r(k)$ is the autocovariance sequence (ACS)

$$
\begin{gathered}
r(k)=E\left\{y(t) y^{*}(t-k)\right\} \\
r(k)=r^{*}(-k), \quad r(0) \geq|r(k)|
\end{gathered}
$$

Note that

$$
r(k)=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi(\omega) e^{i \omega k} d \omega \quad \text { (Inverse DTFT) }
$$

## Interpretation:

$$
r(0)=E\left\{|y(t)|^{2}\right\}=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi(\omega) d \omega
$$

SO
$\phi(\omega) d \omega=$ infinitesimal signal power in the band

$$
\omega \pm \frac{d \omega}{2}
$$

## Second Definition of PSD

$$
\phi(\omega)=\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} E\left\{\frac{1}{N}\left|\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) e^{-i \omega t}\right|^{2}\right\}
$$

Note that

$$
\phi(\omega)=\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} E\left\{\frac{1}{N}\left|Y_{N}(\omega)\right|^{2}\right\}
$$

where

$$
Y_{N}(\omega)=\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) e^{-i \omega t}
$$

is the finite DTFT of $\{y(t)\}$.

## Properties of the PSD

P1: $\phi(\omega)=\phi(\omega+2 \pi)$ for all $\omega$.
Thus, we can restrict attention to

$$
\omega \in[-\pi, \pi] \Longleftrightarrow f \in[-1 / 2,1 / 2]
$$

P2: $\phi(\omega) \geq 0$

P3: If $y(t)$ is real,
Then: $\phi(\omega)=\phi(-\omega)$
Otherwise: $\quad \phi(\omega) \neq \phi(-\omega)$

## Transfer of PSD Through Linear Systems

System Function: $H(q)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h_{k} q^{-k}$
where $q^{-1}=$ unit delay operator: $q^{-1} y(t)=y(t-1)$
$\left.\xrightarrow[\phi_{e}(\omega)]{e(t)} H H(q) \xrightarrow{\substack{\phi_{y}(\omega)=\mid}} H(\omega)\right|^{2} \phi_{e}(\omega)$

Then

$$
\begin{aligned}
& y(t)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h_{k} e(t-k) \\
& H(\omega)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h_{k} e^{-i \omega k} \\
& \phi_{y}(\omega)=|H(\omega)|^{2} \phi_{e}(\omega)
\end{aligned}
$$

## The Problem:

From a sample $\quad\{y(1), \ldots, y(N)\}$

Find an estimate of $\phi(\omega): \quad\{\widehat{\phi}(\omega), \omega \in[-\pi, \pi]\}$

Two Main Approaches :

- Nonparametric:
- Derived from the PSD definitions.
- Parametric:
- Assumes a parameterized functional form of the PSD


# Periodogram 

## and

## Correlogram Methods

Lecture 2

## Periodogram

## Recall 2nd definition of $\phi(\omega)$ :

$$
\phi(\omega)=\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} E\left\{\frac{1}{N}\left|\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) e^{-i \omega t}\right|^{2}\right\}
$$

Given : $\{y(t)\}_{t=1}^{N}$
Drop " $\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty}$ " and " $E\{\cdot\}$ " to get

$$
\hat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)=\frac{1}{N}\left|\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) e^{-i \omega t}\right|^{2}
$$

- Natural estimator
- Used by Schuster ( $\sim 1900$ ) to determine "hidden periodicities" (hence the name).


## Correlogram

## Recall 1st definition of $\phi(\omega)$ :

$$
\phi(\omega)=\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} r(k) e^{-i \omega k}
$$

Truncate the " $\sum$ " and replace " $r(k)$ " by " $\hat{r}(k)$ ":

$$
\widehat{\phi}_{c}(\omega)=\sum_{k=-(N-1)}^{N-1} \hat{r}(k) e^{-i \omega k}
$$

# Covariance Estimators <br> (or Sample Covariances) 

Standard unbiased estimate:

$$
\widehat{r}(k)=\frac{1}{N-k} \sum_{t=k+1}^{N} y(t) y^{*}(t-k), \quad k \geq 0
$$

Standard biased estimate:

$$
\widehat{r}(k)=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=k+1}^{N} y(t) y^{*}(t-k), \quad k \geq 0
$$

For both estimators:

$$
\widehat{r}(k)=\hat{r}^{*}(-k), \quad k<0
$$

If: the biased ACS estimator $\widehat{r}(k)$ is used in $\widehat{\phi}_{c}(\omega)$,

Then:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{\phi}_{p}(\omega) & =\frac{1}{N}\left|\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) e^{-i \omega t}\right|^{2} \\
& =\sum_{k=-(N-1)}^{N-1} \widehat{r}(k) e^{-i \omega k} \\
& =\widehat{\phi}_{c}(\omega) \\
& \hat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)=\widehat{\phi}_{c}(\omega)
\end{aligned}
$$

Consequence:
Both $\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)$ and $\widehat{\phi}_{c}(\omega)$ can be analyzed simultaneously.

## Statistical Performance of $\hat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)$ and $\hat{\phi}_{c}(\omega)$

## Summary:

- Both are asymptotically (for large $N$ ) unbiased:

$$
E\left\{\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)\right\} \rightarrow \phi(\omega) \text { as } N \rightarrow \infty
$$

- Both have "large" variance, even for large $N$.

Thus, $\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)$ and $\widehat{\phi}_{c}(\omega)$ have poor performance.

Intuitive explanation:

- $\hat{r}(k)-r(k)$ may be large for large $|k|$
- Even if the errors $\{\widehat{r}(k)-r(k)\}_{|k|=0}^{N-1}$ are small, there are "so many" that when summed in $\left[\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)-\phi(\omega)\right]$, the PSD error is large.


## Bias Analysis of the Periodogram

$$
\begin{aligned}
E\left\{\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)\right\} & =E\left\{\widehat{\phi}_{c}(\omega)\right\}=\sum_{k=-(N-1)}^{N-1} E\{\widehat{r}(k)\} e^{-i \omega k} \\
& =\sum_{k=-(N-1)}^{N-1}\left(1-\frac{|k|}{N}\right) r(k) e^{-i \omega k} \\
& =\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} w_{B}(k) r(k) e^{-i \omega k} \\
w_{B}(k) & = \begin{cases}\left(1-\frac{|k|}{N}\right), & |k| \leq N-1 \\
0, & |k| \geq N\end{cases}
\end{aligned}
$$

$=$ Bartlett, or triangular, window

Thus,

$$
E\left\{\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)\right\}=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi(\zeta) W_{B}(\omega-\zeta) d \zeta
$$

Ideally: $W_{B}(\omega)=$ Dirac impulse $\delta(\omega)$.

## Bartlett Window $W_{B}(\omega)$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& W_{B}(\omega)=\frac{1}{N}\left[\frac{\sin (\omega N / 2)}{\sin (\omega / 2)}\right]^{2} \\
& W_{B}(\omega) / W_{B}(0), \text { for } N=25 \\
& \text { Main lobe 3dB width } \sim 1 / N .
\end{aligned}
$$

For "small" $N, W_{B}(\omega)$ may differ quite a bit from $\delta(\omega)$.

## Smearing and Leakage

## Main Lobe Width: smearing or smoothing

Details in $\phi(\omega)$ separated in $f$ by less than $1 / N$ are not resolvable.



Thus: Periodogram resolution limit $=1 / N$.

Sidelobe Level: leakage


## Periodogram Bias Properties

## Summary of Periodogram Bias Properties:

- For "small" $N$, severe bias
- As $N \rightarrow \infty, W_{B}(\omega) \rightarrow \delta(\omega)$,
so $\widehat{\phi}(\omega)$ is asymptotically unbiased.


## Periodogram Variance

As $N \rightarrow \infty$

$$
\begin{gathered}
E\left\{\left[\widehat{\phi}_{p}\left(\omega_{1}\right)-\phi\left(\omega_{1}\right)\right]\left[\widehat{\phi}_{p}\left(\omega_{2}\right)-\phi\left(\omega_{2}\right)\right]\right\} \\
= \begin{cases}\phi^{2}\left(\omega_{1}\right), & \omega_{1}=\omega_{2} \\
0, & \omega_{1} \neq \omega_{2}\end{cases}
\end{gathered}
$$

- Inconsistent estimate
- Erratic behavior


Resolvability properties depend on both bias and variance.

## Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

Finite DTFT: $Y_{N}(\omega)=\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) e^{-i \omega t}$
Let $\omega=\frac{2 \pi}{N} k$ and $W=e^{-i \frac{2 \pi}{N}}$.
Then $Y_{N}\left(\frac{2 \pi}{N} k\right)$ is the Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT):

$$
Y(k)=\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) W^{t k}, \quad k=0, \ldots, N-1
$$

Direct computation of $\{Y(k)\}_{k=0}^{N-1}$ from $\{y(t)\}_{t=1}^{N}$ : $O\left(N^{2}\right)$ flops

## Radix-2 Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

Assume: $N=2^{m}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
Y(k) & =\sum_{t=1}^{N / 2} y(t) W^{t k}+\sum_{t=N / 2+1}^{N} y(t) W^{t k} \\
& =\sum_{t=1}^{N / 2}\left[y(t)+y(t+N / 2) W^{\frac{N k}{2}}\right] W^{t k}
\end{aligned}
$$

with $W^{\frac{N k}{2}}= \begin{cases}+1, & \text { for even } k \\ -1, & \text { for odd } k\end{cases}$
Let $\tilde{N}=N / 2$ and $\tilde{W}=W^{2}=e^{-i 2 \pi / \tilde{N}}$.
For $k=0,2,4, \ldots, N-2 \triangleq 2 p$ :

$$
Y(2 p)=\sum_{t=1}^{\tilde{N}}[y(t)+y(t+\tilde{N})] \tilde{W}^{t p}
$$

For $k=1,3,5, \ldots, N-1=2 p+1$ :

$$
Y(2 p+1)=\sum_{t=1}^{\tilde{N}}\left\{[y(t)-y(t+\tilde{N})] W^{t}\right\} \tilde{W}^{t p}
$$

Each is a $\tilde{N}=N / 2$-point DFT computation.

# Let $c_{k}=$ number of flops for $N=2^{k}$ point FFT. 

## Then

$$
\begin{aligned}
c_{k} & =\frac{2^{k}}{2}+2 c_{k-1} \\
& \Rightarrow c_{k}=\frac{k 2^{k}}{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus,

$$
c_{k}=\frac{1}{2} N \log _{2} N
$$

## Zero Padding

Append the given data by zeros prior to computing DFT (or FFT):

$$
\{\underbrace{y(1), \ldots, y(N), 0, \ldots 0}_{N}\}
$$

Goals:

- Apply a radix-2 FFT (so $\bar{N}=$ power of 2 )
- Finer sampling of $\widehat{\phi}(\omega)$ :

$$
\left\{\frac{2 \pi}{N} k\right\}_{k=0}^{N-1} \rightarrow\left\{\frac{2 \pi}{\bar{N}} k\right\}_{k=0}^{\bar{N}-1}
$$



# Improved Periodogram-Based Methods 

## Lecture 3

## Blackman-Tukey Method

Basic Idea: Weighted correlogram, with small weight applied to covariances $\widehat{r}(k)$ with "large" $|k|$.

$$
\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)=\sum_{k=-(M-1)}^{M-1} w(k) \widehat{r}(k) e^{-i \omega k}
$$

$$
\{w(k)\}=\text { Lag Window }
$$



$$
\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \widehat{\phi}_{p}(\zeta) W(\omega-\zeta) d \zeta
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
W(\omega) & =\operatorname{DTFT}\{w(k)\} \\
& =\text { Spectral Window }
\end{aligned}
$$

# Conclusion: $\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)=$ "locally" smoothed periodogram 

## Effect:

- Variance decreases substantially
- Bias increases slightly

By proper choice of $M$ :

$$
\mathrm{MSE}=\operatorname{var}+\operatorname{bias}^{2} \rightarrow 0 \text { as } N \rightarrow \infty
$$

## Window Design Considerations

Nonnegativeness:

$$
\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\zeta)}_{\geq 0} W(\omega-\zeta) d \zeta
$$

If $W(\omega) \geq 0(\Leftrightarrow w(k)$ is a psd sequence $)$

Then: $\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega) \geq 0 \quad$ (which is desirable)

Time-Bandwidth Product

$$
\begin{gathered}
N_{e}=\frac{\sum_{k=-(M-1)}^{M-1} w(k)}{w(0)}=\text { equiv time width } \\
\beta_{e}=\frac{\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W(\omega) d \omega}{W(0)}=\text { equiv bandwidth } \\
N_{e} \beta_{e}=1
\end{gathered}
$$

## Window Design, con't

- $\beta_{e}=1 / N_{e}=0(1 / M)$ is the BT resolution threshold.
- As $M$ increases, bias decreases and variance increases.
$\Rightarrow$ Choose $M$ as a tradeoff between variance and bias.
- Once $M$ is given, $N_{e}$ (and hence $\beta_{e}$ ) is essentially fixed.
$\Rightarrow$ Choose window shape to compromise between smearing (main lobe width) and leakage (sidelobe level).

The energy in the main lobe and in the sidelobes cannot be reduced simultaneously, once $M$ is given.

## Window Examples

Triangular Window, $M=25$


Rectangular Window, $M=25$


## Bartlett Method

## Basic Idea:



## Mathematically:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& y_{j}(t)= y((j-1) M+t) \quad t=1, \ldots, M \\
&= \text { the } j \text { th subsequence } \\
&(j=1, \ldots, L \triangleq[N / M]) \\
& \widehat{\phi}_{j}(\omega)=\frac{1}{M}\left|\sum_{t=1}^{M} y_{j}(t) e^{-i \omega t}\right|^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\widehat{\phi}_{B}(\omega)=\frac{1}{L} \sum_{j=1}^{L} \widehat{\phi}_{j}(\omega)
$$

## Comparison of Bartlett and Blackman-Tukey Estimates

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{\phi}_{B}(\omega) & =\frac{1}{L} \sum_{j=1}^{L}\left\{\sum_{k=-(M-1)}^{M-1} \widehat{r}_{j}(k) e^{-i \omega k}\right\} \\
& =\sum_{k=-(M-1)}^{M-1}\left\{\frac{1}{L} \sum_{j=1}^{L} \widehat{r}_{j}(k)\right\} e^{-i \omega k} \\
& \simeq \sum_{k=-(M-1)}^{M-1} \widehat{r}(k) e^{-i \omega k}
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\widehat{\phi}_{B}(\omega) \simeq & \widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega) \text { with a rectangular } \\
& \text { lag window } w_{R}(k)
\end{aligned}
$$

Since $\widehat{\phi}_{B}(\omega)$ implicitly uses $\left\{w_{R}(k)\right\}$, the Bartlett method has

- High resolution (little smearing)
- Large leakage and relatively large variance


## Welch Method

Similar to Bartlett method, but

- allow overlap of subsequences (gives more subsequences, and thus "better" averaging)
- use data window for each periodogram; gives mainlobe-sidelobe tradeoff capability


Let $S=\#$ of subsequences of length $M$.
(Overlapping means $S>[N / M] \Rightarrow$ "better averaging".)

## Additional flexibility:

The data in each subsequence are weighted by a temporal window

Welch is approximately equal to $\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)$ with a non-rectangular lag window.

## Daniell Method

By a previous result, for $N \gg 1$,
$\left\{\widehat{\phi}_{p}\left(\omega_{j}\right)\right\}$ are (nearly) uncorrelated random variables for

$$
\left\{\omega_{j}=\frac{2 \pi}{N} j\right\}_{j=0}^{N-1}
$$

Idea: "Local averaging" of $(2 J+1)$ samples in the frequency domain should reduce the variance by about $(2 J+1)$.

$$
\widehat{\phi}_{D}\left(\omega_{k}\right)=\frac{1}{2 J+1} \sum_{j=k-J}^{k+J} \widehat{\phi}_{p}\left(\omega_{j}\right)
$$

## Daniell Method, con't

As $J$ increases:

- Bias increases (more smoothing)
- Variance decreases (more averaging)

Let $\beta=2 J / N$. Then, for $N \gg 1$,

$$
\widehat{\phi}_{D}(\omega) \simeq \frac{1}{2 \pi \beta} \int_{-\beta \pi}^{\beta \pi} \widehat{\phi}_{p}(\bar{\omega}) d \bar{\omega}
$$

Hence: $\widehat{\phi}_{D}(\omega) \simeq \widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)$ with a rectangular spectral window.

## Summary of Periodogram Methods

- Unwindowed periodogram
- reasonable bias
- unacceptable variance
- Modified periodograms
- Attempt to reduce the variance at the expense of (slightly) increasing the bias.
- BT periodogram
- Local smoothing/averaging of $\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)$ by a suitably selected spectral window.
- Implemented by truncating and weighting $\widehat{r}(k)$ using a lag window in $\widehat{\phi}_{c}(\omega)$
- Bartlett, Welch periodograms
- Approximate interpretation: $\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)$ with a suitable lag window (rectangular for Bartlett; more general for Welch).
- Implemented by averaging subsample periodograms.
- Daniell Periodogram
- Approximate interpretation: $\hat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)$ with a rectangular spectral window.
- Implemented by local averaging of periodogram values.


# Parametric Methods 

## for

## Rational Spectra

## Lecture 4

## Basic Idea of Parametric Spectral Estimation



## Rational Spectra

$$
\phi(\omega)=\frac{\sum_{|k| \leq m} \gamma_{k} e^{-i \omega k}}{\sum_{|k| \leq n} \rho_{k} e^{-i \omega k}}
$$

$\phi(\omega)$ is a rational function in $e^{-i \omega}$.
By Weierstrass theorem, $\phi(\omega)$ can approximate arbitrarily well any continuous PSD, provided $m$ and $n$ are chosen sufficiently large.

Note, however:

- choice of $m$ and $n$ is not simple
- some PSDs are not continuous


## AR, MA, and ARMA Models

By Spectral Factorization theorem, a rational $\phi(\omega)$ can be factored as

$$
\phi(\omega)=\left|\frac{B(\omega)}{A(\omega)}\right|^{2} \sigma^{2}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A(z)=1+a_{1} z^{-1}+\cdots+a_{n} z^{-n} \\
& B(z)=1+b_{1} z^{-1}+\cdots+b_{m} z^{-m}
\end{aligned}
$$

and, e.g., $A(\omega)=\left.A(z)\right|_{z=e^{i \omega}}$

## Signal Modeling Interpretation:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{e(t)}{\phi_{e}(\omega)=\sigma^{2}} \begin{array}{l}
\text { white noise }
\end{array} \\
& \\
& \hline
\end{aligned}
$$

## ARMA Covariance Structure

ARMA signal model:
$y(t)+\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} y(t-i)=\sum_{j=0}^{m} b_{j} e(t-j), \quad\left(b_{0}=1\right)$

Multiply by $y^{*}(t-k)$ and take $E\{\cdot\}$ to give:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \begin{aligned}
r(k)+\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} r(k-i) & =\sum_{j=0}^{m} b_{j} E\left\{e(t-j) y^{*}(t-k)\right\} \\
& =\sigma^{2} \sum_{j=0}^{m} b_{j} h_{j-k}^{*} \\
& =0 \text { for } k>m
\end{aligned} \\
& \text { where } H(q)=\frac{B(q)}{A(q)}=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h_{k} q^{-k}, \quad\left(h_{0}=1\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## AR Signals: Yule-Walker Equations

AR: $m=0$.

Writing covariance equation in matrix form for $k=1 \ldots n$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
{\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
r(0) & r(-1) & \ldots & r(-n) \\
r(1) & r(0) & & \vdots \\
\vdots & & \ddots & r(-1) \\
r(n) & \ldots & & r(0)
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
a_{1} \\
\vdots \\
a_{n}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\sigma^{2} \\
0 \\
\vdots \\
0
\end{array}\right]} \\
\\
R\left[\begin{array}{l}
1 \\
\theta
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\sigma^{2} \\
0
\end{array}\right]
\end{gathered}
$$

These are the Yule-Walker (YW) Equations.

## AR Spectral Estimation: YW Method

## Yule-Walker Method:

Replace $r(k)$ by $\widehat{r}(k)$ and solve for $\left\{\widehat{a}_{i}\right\}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^{2}$ :

$$
\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
\widehat{r}(0) & \widehat{r}(-1) & \ldots & \widehat{r}(-n) \\
\widehat{r}(1) & \widehat{r}(0) & & \vdots \\
\vdots & & \ddots & \widehat{r}(-1) \\
\widehat{r}(n) & \ldots & & \widehat{r}(0)
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
\hat{a}_{1} \\
\vdots \\
\hat{a}_{n}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\widehat{\sigma}^{2} \\
0 \\
\vdots \\
0
\end{array}\right]
$$

Then the PSD estimate is

$$
\widehat{\phi}(\omega)=\frac{\hat{\sigma}^{2}}{|\widehat{A}(\omega)|^{2}}
$$

## AR Spectral Estimation: LS Method

## Least Squares Method:

$$
\begin{aligned}
e(t) & =y(t)+\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} y(t-i)=y(t)+\varphi^{T}(t) \theta \\
& \triangleq y(t)+\widehat{y}(t)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $\varphi(t)=[y(t-1), \ldots, y(t-n)]^{T}$.

Find $\theta=\left[a_{1} \ldots a_{n}\right]^{T}$ to minimize

$$
f(\theta)=\sum_{t=n+1}^{N}|e(t)|^{2}
$$

This gives $\hat{\theta}=-\left(Y^{*} Y\right)^{-1}\left(Y^{*} y\right)$ where

$$
y=\left[\begin{array}{c}
y(n+1) \\
y(n+2) \\
\vdots \\
y(N)
\end{array}\right], Y=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
y(n) & y(n-1) & \cdots & y(1) \\
y(n+1) & y(n) & \cdots & y(2) \\
\vdots & & & \vdots \\
y(N-1) & y(N-2) & \cdots & y(N-n)
\end{array}\right]
$$

## Levinson-Durbin Algorithm

Fast, order-recursive solution to YW equations

$$
\underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
\rho_{0} & \rho_{-1} & \cdots & \rho_{-n} \\
\rho_{1} & \rho_{0} & \ddots & \vdots \\
\vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \rho_{-1} \\
\rho_{n} & \cdots & \rho_{1} & \rho_{0}
\end{array}\right]}_{R_{n+1}}\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
\theta_{n}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\sigma_{n}^{2} \\
0 \\
\vdots \\
0
\end{array}\right]
$$

$\rho_{k}=$ either $r(k)$ or $\widehat{r}(k)$.

## Direct Solution:

- For one given value of $n: O\left(n^{3}\right)$ flops
- For $k=1, \ldots, n: O\left(n^{4}\right)$ flops


## Levinson-Durbin Algorithm:

Exploits the Toeplitz form of $R_{n+1}$ to obtain the solutions for $k=1, \ldots, n$ in $O\left(n^{2}\right)$ flops!

## Levinson-Durbin Alg, con't

## Relevant Properties of $\boldsymbol{R}$ :

- $R x=y \leftrightarrow R \tilde{x}=\tilde{y}$, where $\tilde{x}=\left[x_{n}^{*} \ldots x_{1}^{*}\right]^{T}$
- Nested structure

$$
R_{n+2}=\left[\begin{array}{cc|c}
R_{n+1} & \rho_{n+1}^{*} \\
\hline \rho_{n+1} & \tilde{r}_{n}^{*} & \rho_{0}
\end{array}\right], \quad \tilde{r}_{n}=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\rho_{n}^{*} \\
\vdots \\
\rho_{1}^{*}
\end{array}\right]
$$

Thus,
$R_{n+2}\left[\begin{array}{c}1 \\ \theta_{n} \\ \hline 0\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{cc|c}R_{n+1} & \rho_{n+1}^{*} \\ \hline \rho_{n+1} & \tilde{r}_{n}^{*} & \rho_{0}\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}1 \\ \theta_{n} \\ \hline 0\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}\sigma_{n}^{2} \\ 0 \\ \hline \alpha_{n}\end{array}\right]$
where $\alpha_{n}=\rho_{n+1}+\tilde{r}_{n}^{*} \theta_{n}$

## Levinson-Durbin Alg, con't

$$
R_{n+2}\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
\theta_{n} \\
0
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\sigma_{n}^{2} \\
0 \\
\alpha_{n}
\end{array}\right], \quad R_{n+2}\left[\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
\tilde{\theta}_{n} \\
1
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\alpha_{n}^{*} \\
0 \\
\sigma_{n}^{2}
\end{array}\right]
$$

Combining these gives:
$R_{n+2}\left\{\left[\begin{array}{c}1 \\ \theta_{n} \\ 0\end{array}\right]+k_{n}\left[\begin{array}{c}0 \\ \tilde{\theta}_{n} \\ 1\end{array}\right]\right\}=\left[\begin{array}{c}\sigma_{n}^{2}+k_{n} \alpha_{n}^{*} \\ 0 \\ \alpha_{n}+k_{n} \sigma_{n}^{2}\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}\sigma_{n+1}^{2} \\ 0 \\ 0\end{array}\right]$

Thus, $k_{n}=-\alpha_{n} / \sigma_{n}^{2} \Rightarrow$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \theta_{n+1}=\left[\begin{array}{c}
\theta_{n} \\
0
\end{array}\right]+k_{n}\left[\begin{array}{c}
\tilde{\theta}_{n} \\
1
\end{array}\right] \\
& \sigma_{n+1}^{2}=\sigma_{n}^{2}+k_{n} \alpha_{n}^{*}=\sigma_{n}^{2}\left(1-\left|k_{n}\right|^{2}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Computation count:

$\sim 2 k$ flops for the step $k \rightarrow k+1$
$\Rightarrow \sim n^{2}$ flops to determine $\left\{\sigma_{k}^{2}, \theta_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}$

This is $O\left(n^{2}\right)$ times faster than the direct solution.

## MA Signals

MA: $n=0$

$$
\begin{aligned}
y(t) & =B(q) e(t) \\
& =e(t)+b_{1} e(t-1)+\cdots+b_{m} e(t-m)
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus,

$$
r(k)=0 \text { for }|k|>m
$$

and

$$
\phi(\omega)=|B(\omega)|^{2} \sigma^{2}=\sum_{k=-m}^{m} r(k) e^{-i \omega k}
$$

## MA Spectrum Estimation

Two main ways to Estimate $\phi(\omega)$ :

1. Estimate $\left\{b_{k}\right\}$ and $\sigma^{2}$ and insert them in

$$
\phi(\omega)=|B(\omega)|^{2} \sigma^{2}
$$

- nonlinear estimation problem
- $\widehat{\phi}(\omega)$ is guaranteed to be $\geq 0$

2. Insert sample covariances $\{\widehat{r}(k)\}$ in:

$$
\phi(\omega)=\sum_{k=-m}^{m} r(k) e^{-i \omega k}
$$

- This is $\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)$ with a rectangular lag window of length $2 m+1$.
- $\widehat{\phi}(\omega)$ is not guaranteed to be $\geq 0$

Both methods are special cases of ARMA methods described below, with AR model order $n=0$.

## ARMA Signals

## ARMA models can represent spectra with both peaks

 (AR part) and valleys (MA part).$$
\begin{gathered}
A(q) y(t)=B(q) e(t) \\
\phi(\omega)=\sigma^{2}\left|\frac{B(\omega)}{A(\omega)}\right|^{2}=\frac{\sum_{k=-m}^{m} \gamma_{k} e^{-i \omega k}}{|A(\omega)|^{2}}
\end{gathered}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
\gamma_{k} & =E\left\{[B(q) e(t)][B(q) e(t-k)]^{*}\right\} \\
& =E\left\{[A(q) y(t)][A(q) y(t-k)]^{*}\right\} \\
& =\sum_{j=0}^{n} \sum_{p=0}^{n} a_{j} a_{p}^{*} r(k+p-j)
\end{aligned}
$$

## ARMA Spectrum Estimation

## Two Methods:

1. Estimate $\left\{a_{i}, b_{j}, \sigma^{2}\right\}$ in $\phi(\omega)=\sigma^{2}\left|\frac{B(\omega)}{A(\omega)}\right|^{2}$

- nonlinear estimation problem; can use an approximate linear two-stage least squares method
- $\widehat{\phi}(\omega)$ is guaranteed to be $\geq 0$

2. Estimate $\left\{a_{i}, r(k)\right\}$ in $\phi(\omega)=\frac{\sum_{k=-m}^{m} \gamma_{k} e^{-i \omega k}}{|A(\omega)|^{2}}$

- linear estimation problem (the Modified Yule-Walker method).
- $\widehat{\phi}(\omega)$ is not guaranteed to be $\geq 0$


## Two-Stage Least-Squares Method

Assumption: The ARMA model is invertible:

$$
\begin{aligned}
e(t) & =\frac{A(q)}{B(q)} y(t) \\
& =y(t)+\alpha_{1} y(t-1)+\alpha_{2} y(t-2)+\cdots \\
& =\operatorname{AR}(\infty) \text { with }\left|\alpha_{k}\right| \rightarrow 0 \text { as } k \rightarrow \infty
\end{aligned}
$$

Step 1: Approximate, for some large $K$

$$
e(t) \simeq y(t)+\alpha_{1} y(t-1)+\cdots+\alpha_{K} y(t-K)
$$

1a) Estimate the coefficients $\left\{\alpha_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{K}$ by using AR modelling techniques.

1b) Estimate the noise sequence
$\hat{e}(t)=y(t)+\widehat{\alpha}_{1} y(t-1)+\cdots+\widehat{\alpha}_{K} y(t-K)$
and its variance

$$
\widehat{\sigma}^{2}=\frac{1}{N-K} \sum_{t=K+1}^{N}|\hat{e}(t)|^{2}
$$

## Two-Stage Least-Squares Method, con't

Step 2: Replace $\{e(t)\}$ by $\hat{e}(t)$ in the ARMA equation,

$$
A(q) y(t) \simeq B(q) \widehat{e}(t)
$$

and obtain estimates of $\left\{a_{i}, b_{j}\right\}$ by applying least squares techniques.

Note that the $a_{i}$ and $b_{j}$ coefficients enter linearly in the above equation:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& y(t)-\hat{e}(t) \simeq[-y(t-1) \ldots-y(t-n) \\
&\hat{e}(t-1) \ldots \hat{e}(t-m)] \theta \\
& \theta=\left[a_{1} \ldots a_{n} b_{1} \ldots b_{m}\right]^{T}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Modified Yule-Walker Method

ARMA Covariance Equation:

$$
r(k)+\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} r(k-i)=0, \quad k>m
$$

In matrix form for $k=m+1, \ldots, m+M$
$\left[\begin{array}{ccc}r(m) & \ldots & r(m-n+1) \\ r(m+1) & & r(m-n+2) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ r(m+M-1) & \cdots & r(m-n+M)\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}a_{1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{n}\end{array}\right]=-\left[\begin{array}{c}r(m+1) \\ r(m+2) \\ \vdots \\ r(m+M)\end{array}\right]$
Replace $\{r(k)\}$ by $\{\widehat{r}(k)\}$ and solve for $\left\{a_{i}\right\}$.

If $M=n$, fast Levinson-type algorithms exist for obtaining $\left\{\widehat{a}_{i}\right\}$.

If $M>n$ overdetermined $Y W$ system of equations; least squares solution for $\left\{\hat{a}_{i}\right\}$.

Note: For narrowband ARMA signals, the accuracy of $\left\{\widehat{a}_{i}\right\}$ is often better for $M>n$

| Method | Computational Burden | Accuracy | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Guarantee } \\ & \widehat{\phi}(\omega) \geq 0 ? \end{aligned}$ | Use for |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AR: YW or LS | low | medium | Yes | Spectra with (narrow) peaks but no valley |
| MA: BT | low | low-medium | No | Broadband spectra possibly with valleys but no peaks |
| ARMA: MYW | low-medium | medium | No | Spectra with both peaks and (not too deep) valleys |
| ARMA: 2-Stage LS | medium-high | medium-high | Yes | As above |

# Parametric Methods 

## for

## Line Spectra - Part 1

## Lecture 5

## Line Spectra

Many applications have signals with (near) sinusoidal components. Examples:

- communications
- radar, sonar
- geophysical seismology

ARMA model is a poor approximation

Better approximation by Discrete/Line Spectrum Models


An "Ideal" line spectrum

## Line Spectral Signal Model

## Signal Model: Sinusoidal components of frequencies

 $\left\{\omega_{k}\right\}$ and powers $\left\{\alpha_{k}^{2}\right\}$, superimposed in white noise of power $\sigma^{2}$.$$
\begin{aligned}
& y(t)=x(t)+e(t) \quad t=1,2, \ldots \\
& x(t)=\sum_{k=1}^{n} \underbrace{\alpha_{k} e^{i\left(\omega_{k} t+\phi_{k}\right)}}_{x_{k}(t)}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Assumptions:

A1: $\alpha_{k}>0 \quad \omega_{k} \in[-\pi, \pi]$
(prevents model ambiguities)
A2: $\left\{\varphi_{k}\right\}=$ independent rv's, uniformly distributed on $[-\pi, \pi]$ (realistic and mathematically convenient)

A3: $e(t)=$ circular white noise with variance $\sigma^{2}$

$$
E\left\{e(t) e^{*}(s)\right\}=\sigma^{2} \delta_{t, s} \quad E\{e(t) e(s)\}=0
$$

(can be achieved by "slow" sampling)

## Covariance Function and PSD

Note that:

- $E\left\{e^{i \varphi_{p}} e^{-i \varphi_{j}}\right\}=1$, for $p=j$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\bullet E & \left\{e^{i \varphi_{p}} e^{-i \varphi_{j}}\right\}=E\left\{e^{i \varphi_{p}}\right\} E\left\{e^{-i \varphi_{j}}\right\} \\
& =\left|\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i \varphi} d \varphi\right|^{2}=0, \text { for } p \neq j
\end{aligned}
$$

Hence,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E\left\{x_{p}(t) x_{j}^{*}(t-k)\right\}=\alpha_{p}^{2} e^{i \omega_{p} k} \delta_{p, j} \\
& r(k)=E\left\{y(t) y^{*}(t-k)\right\} \\
& =\sum_{p=1}^{n} \alpha_{p}^{2} e^{i \omega_{p} k}+\sigma^{2} \delta_{k, 0}
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
\phi(\omega)=2 \pi \sum_{p=1}^{n} \alpha_{p}^{2} \delta\left(\omega-\omega_{p}\right)+\sigma^{2}
$$

## Parameter Estimation

## Estimate either:

- $\left\{\omega_{k}, \alpha_{k}, \varphi_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}, \sigma^{2} \quad$ (Signal Model)
- $\left\{\omega_{k}, \alpha_{k}^{2}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}, \sigma^{2} \quad$ (PSD Model)


## Major Estimation Problem: $\left\{\hat{\omega}_{k}\right\}$

Once $\left\{\widehat{\omega}_{k}\right\}$ are determined:

- $\left\{\widehat{\alpha}_{k}^{2}\right\}$ can be obtained by a least squares method from

$$
\widehat{r}(k)=\sum_{p=1}^{n} \alpha_{p}^{2} e^{i \widehat{\omega}_{p} k}+\text { residuals }
$$

OR:

- Both $\left\{\widehat{\alpha}_{k}\right\}$ and $\left\{\widehat{\varphi}_{k}\right\}$ can be derived by a least squares method from

$$
y(t)=\sum_{k=1}^{n} \beta_{k} e^{i \widehat{\omega}_{k} t}+\text { residuals }
$$

$$
\text { with } \beta_{k}=\alpha_{k} e^{i \varphi_{k}}
$$

## Nonlinear Least Squares (NLS) Method

$$
\min _{\left\{\omega_{k}, \alpha_{k}, \varphi_{k}\right\}} \underbrace{\sum_{t=1}^{N}\left|y(t)-\sum_{k=1}^{n} \alpha_{k} e^{i\left(\omega_{k} t+\varphi_{k}\right)}\right|^{2}}_{F(\omega, \alpha, \varphi)}
$$

Let:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\beta_{k} & =\alpha_{k} e^{i \varphi_{k}} \\
\beta & =\left[\beta_{1} \ldots \beta_{n}\right]^{T} \\
Y & =[y(1) \ldots y(N)]^{T} \\
B & =\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
e^{i \omega_{1}} & \cdots & e^{i \omega_{n}} \\
\vdots & & \vdots \\
e^{i N \omega_{1}} & \ldots & e^{i N \omega_{n}}
\end{array}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

Then:

$$
\begin{aligned}
F= & (Y-B \beta)^{*}(Y-B \beta)=\|Y-B \beta\|^{2} \\
= & {\left[\beta-\left(B^{*} B\right)^{-1} B^{*} Y\right]^{*}\left[B^{*} B\right] } \\
& {\left[\beta-\left(B^{*} B\right)^{-1} B^{*} Y\right] } \\
& +Y^{*} Y-Y^{*} B\left(B^{*} B\right)^{-1} B^{*} Y
\end{aligned}
$$

This gives:

$$
\widehat{\beta}=\left.\left(B^{*} B\right)^{-1} B^{*} Y\right|_{\omega=\hat{\omega}}
$$

and

$$
\widehat{\omega}=\arg \max _{\omega} Y^{*} B\left(B^{*} B\right)^{-1} B^{*} Y
$$

## NLS Properties

## Excellent Accuracy:

$$
\operatorname{var}\left(\widehat{\omega}_{k}\right)=\frac{6 \sigma^{2}}{N^{3} \alpha_{k}^{2}} \quad(\text { for } N \gg 1)
$$

Example: $N=300$

$$
\mathrm{SNR}_{k}=\alpha_{k}^{2} / \sigma^{2}=30 \mathrm{~dB}
$$

Then $\sqrt{\operatorname{var}\left(\widehat{\omega}_{k}\right)} \sim 10^{-5}$.

## Difficult Implementation:

The NLS cost function $F$ is multimodal; it is difficult to avoid convergence to local minima.

## Unwindowed Periodogram as an Approximate NLS Method

For a single (complex) sinusoid, the maximum of the unwindowed periodogram is the NLS frequency estimate:

Assume: $n=1$

Then: $B^{*} B=N$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& B^{*} Y=\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) e^{-i \omega t}=Y(\omega) \quad(\text { finite DTFT) } \\
& Y^{*} B\left(B^{*} B\right)^{-1} B^{*} Y=\frac{1}{N}|Y(\omega)|^{2} \\
&=\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega) \\
&=\text { (Unwindowed Periodogram) }
\end{aligned}
$$

So, with no approximation,

$$
\widehat{\omega}=\arg \max _{\omega} \widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)
$$

## Unwindowed Periodogram as an Approximate NLS Method, con't

Assume: $n>1$

Then:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\{\widehat{\omega}_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n} \simeq & \text { the locations of the } n \text { largest } \\
& \text { peaks of } \widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)
\end{aligned}
$$

provided that

$$
\inf \left|\omega_{k}-\omega_{p}\right|>2 \pi / N
$$

which is the periodogram resolution limit.

If better resolution desired then use a High/Super Resolution method.

## High-Order Yule-Walker Method

Recall:

$$
y(t)=x(t)+e(t)=\sum_{k=1}^{n} \underbrace{\alpha_{k} e^{i\left(\omega_{k} t+\varphi_{k}\right)}}_{x_{k}(t)}+e(t)
$$

"Degenerate" ARMA equation for $y(t)$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
(1- & \left.e^{i \omega_{k}} q^{-1}\right) x_{k}(t) \\
\quad & =\alpha_{k}\left\{e^{i\left(\omega_{k} t+\varphi_{k}\right)}-e^{i \omega_{k}} e^{i\left[\omega_{k}(t-1)+\varphi_{k}\right]}\right\}=0
\end{aligned}
$$

Let

$$
\begin{aligned}
& B(q)=1+\sum_{k=1}^{L} b_{k} q^{-k} \triangleq A(q) \bar{A}(q) \\
& A(q)=\left(1-e^{i \omega_{1}} q^{-1}\right) \cdots\left(1-e^{i \omega_{n}} q^{-1}\right) \\
& \bar{A}(q)=\text { arbitrary }
\end{aligned}
$$

Then $B(q) x(t) \equiv 0 \Rightarrow$

$$
B(q) y(t)=B(q) e(t)
$$

## Estimation Procedure:

- Estimate $\left\{\widehat{b}_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{L}$ using an ARMA MYW technique
- Roots of $\widehat{B}(q)$ give $\left\{\widehat{\omega}_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}$, along with $L-n$ "spurious" roots.


## High-Order and Overdetermined YW Equations

ARMA covariance:

$$
r(k)+\sum_{i=1}^{L} b_{i} r(k-i)=0, \quad k>L
$$

In matrix form for $k=L+1, \ldots, L+M$

$$
\underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
r(L) & \ldots & r(1) \\
r(L+1) & \ldots & r(2) \\
\vdots & & \vdots \\
r(L+M-1) & \ldots & r(M)
\end{array}\right]}_{\triangleq \Omega} b=-\underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{c}
r(L+1) \\
r(L+2) \\
\vdots \\
r(L+M)
\end{array}\right]}_{\triangleq \rho}
$$

This is a high-order (if $L>n$ ) and overdetermined (if $M>L$ ) system of YW equations.

# High-Order and Overdetermined YW Equations, con't 

Fact: $\quad \operatorname{rank}(\Omega)=n$
$\operatorname{SVD}$ of $\Omega: \quad \Omega=U \Sigma V^{*}$

- $U=(M \times n)$ with $U^{*} U=I_{n}$
- $V^{*}=(n \times L)$ with $V^{*} V=I_{n}$
- $\Sigma=(n \times n)$, diagonal and nonsingular

Thus,

$$
\left(U \Sigma V^{*}\right) b=-\rho
$$

The Minimum-Norm solution is

$$
b=-\Omega^{\dagger} \rho=-V \Sigma^{-1} U^{*} \rho
$$

Important property: The additional $(L-n)$ spurious zeros of $B(q)$ are located strictly inside the unit circle, if the Minimum-Norm solution $b$ is used.

## HOYW Equations, Practical Solution

Let $\hat{\Omega}=\Omega$ but made from $\{\hat{r}(k)\}$ instead of $\{r(k)\}$.

Let $\hat{U}, \hat{\Sigma}, \widehat{V}$ be defined similarly to $U, \Sigma, V$ from the SVD of $\hat{\Omega}$.

Compute

$$
\widehat{b}=-\widehat{V} \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} \widehat{U}^{*} \widehat{\rho}
$$

Then $\left\{\widehat{\omega}_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}$ are found from the $n$ zeroes of $\widehat{B}(q)$ that are closest to the unit circle.

When the SNR is low, this approach may give spurious frequency estimates when $L>n$; this is the price paid for increased accuracy when $L>n$.

# Parametric Methods 

## for

## Line Spectra - Part 2

## Lecture 6

## The Covariance Matrix Equation

Let:

$$
\begin{aligned}
a(\omega) & =\left[1 e^{-i \omega} \ldots e^{-i(m-1) \omega}\right]^{T} \\
A & =\left[a\left(\omega_{1}\right) \ldots a\left(\omega_{n}\right)\right] \quad(m \times n)
\end{aligned}
$$

Note: $\quad \operatorname{rank}(A)=n \quad($ for $m \geq n)$
Define

$$
\tilde{y}(t) \triangleq\left[\begin{array}{c}
y(t) \\
y(t-1) \\
\vdots \\
y(t-m+1)
\end{array}\right]=A \tilde{x}(t)+\tilde{e}(t)
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
\tilde{x}(t) & =\left[x_{1}(t) \ldots x_{n}(t)\right]^{T} \\
\tilde{e}(t) & =[e(t) \ldots e(t-m+1)]^{T}
\end{aligned}
$$

Then

$$
R \triangleq E\left\{\tilde{y}(t) \tilde{y}^{*}(t)\right\}=A P A^{*}+\sigma^{2} I
$$

with

$$
P=E\left\{\tilde{x}(t) \tilde{x}^{*}(t)\right\}=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
\alpha_{1}^{2} & & 0 \\
& \ddots & \\
0 & & \alpha_{n}^{2}
\end{array}\right]
$$

$$
R=A P A^{*}+\sigma^{2} I \quad(m>n)
$$

Let:
$\lambda_{1} \geq \lambda_{2} \geq \ldots \geq \lambda_{m}$ : eigenvalues of $R$
$\left\{s_{1}, \ldots s_{n}\right\}$ : orthonormal eigenvectors associated with $\left\{\lambda_{1}, \ldots, \lambda_{n}\right\}$
$\left\{g_{1}, \ldots, g_{m-n}\right\}$ : orthonormal eigenvectors associated with $\left\{\lambda_{n+1}, \ldots, \lambda_{m}\right\}$

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
S=\left[s_{1} \ldots s_{n}\right] & \\
(m \times n) \\
G & =\left[g_{1} \ldots g_{m-n}\right]
\end{array} \quad(m \times(m-n))
$$

Thus,

$$
R=[S G]\left[\begin{array}{lll}
\lambda_{1} & & \\
& \ddots & \\
& & \lambda_{m}
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
S^{*} \\
G^{*}
\end{array}\right]
$$

Eigendecomposition of $R$ and Its Properties, con't

As $\operatorname{rank}\left(A P A^{*}\right)=n:$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\lambda_{k}>\sigma^{2} \\
\lambda_{k}=\sigma^{2} \\
k=1, \ldots, n \\
\wedge=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
\lambda_{1}-\sigma^{2} & & 0 \\
0 & \ddots & \\
0 & & \lambda_{n}-\sigma^{2}
\end{array}\right]=\text { nonsingular }
\end{gathered}
$$

Note:

$$
\begin{gathered}
R S=A P A^{*} S+\sigma^{2} S=S\left[\begin{array}{lll}
\lambda_{1} & & 0 \\
& \ddots & \\
0 & & \lambda_{n}
\end{array}\right] \\
S=A\left(P A^{*} S \AA^{-1}\right) \triangleq A C
\end{gathered}
$$

with $|C| \neq 0$ (since $\operatorname{rank}(S)=\operatorname{rank}(A)=n)$.
Therefore, since $S^{*} G=0$,

$$
A^{*} G=0
$$

## MUSIC Method

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A^{*} G=\left[\begin{array}{c}
a^{*}\left(\omega_{1}\right) \\
\vdots \\
a^{*}\left(\omega_{n}\right)
\end{array}\right] G=0 \\
& \Rightarrow\left\{a\left(\omega_{k}\right)\right\}_{k=1}^{n} \perp \mathcal{R}(G)
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left\{\omega_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n} \text { are the unique solutions of } \\
& \\
& a^{*}(\omega) G G^{*} a(\omega)=0 .
\end{aligned}
$$

Let:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\widehat{R}= & \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=m}^{N} \tilde{y}(t) \tilde{y}^{*}(t) \\
\widehat{S}, \widehat{G}= & S, G \text { made from the } \\
& \text { eigenvectors of } \widehat{R}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Spectral and Root MUSIC Methods

## Spectral MUSIC Method:

$\left\{\hat{\omega}_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}=$ the locations of the $n$ highest peaks of the "pseudo-spectrum" function:

$$
\frac{1}{a^{*}(\omega) \hat{G} \hat{G}^{*} a(\omega)}, \quad \omega \in[-\pi, \pi]
$$

## Root MUSIC Method:

$\left\{\widehat{\omega}_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}=$ the angular positions of the $n$ roots of:

$$
a^{T}\left(z^{-1}\right) \widehat{G} \widehat{G}^{*} a(z)=0
$$

that are closest to the unit circle. Here,

$$
a(z)=\left[1, z^{-1}, \ldots, z^{-(m-1)}\right]^{T}
$$

Note: Both variants of MUSIC may produce spurious frequency estimates.

Pisarenko is a special case of MUSIC with $m=n+1$ (the minimum possible value).

If: $m=n+1$

Then: $\widehat{G}=\widehat{g}_{1}$,
$\Rightarrow\left\{\widehat{\omega}_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}$ can be found from the roots of

$$
a^{T}\left(z^{-1}\right) \widehat{g}_{1}=0
$$

- no problem with spurious frequency estimates
- computationally simple
- (much) less accurate than MUSIC with $m \gg n+1$

Goals: Reduce computational burden, and reduce risk of false frequency estimates.

Uses $m \gg n$ (as in MUSIC), but only one vector in $\mathcal{R}(G)$ (as in Pisarenko).

Let

$$
\left[\begin{array}{l}
1 \\
\widehat{g}
\end{array}\right]=\begin{aligned}
& \text { the vector in } \mathcal{R}(\widehat{G}) \text {, with first element equal } \\
& \text { to one, that has minimum Euclidean norm. }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Min-Norm Method, con't

## Spectral Min-Norm

$$
\begin{aligned}
\{\widehat{\omega}\}_{k=1}^{n}= & \text { the locations of the } n \text { highest peaks in the } \\
& \text { "pseudo-spectrum" }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\left.\begin{array}{|l|l}
\hline 1 / \mid a^{*}(\omega)
\end{array}\left[\begin{array}{l}
1 \\
\hat{g}
\end{array}\right]\right|^{2}
$$

## Root Min-Norm

## $\{\widehat{\omega}\}_{k=1}^{n}=$ the angular positions of the $n$ roots of the polynomial

$$
a^{T}\left(z^{-1}\right)\left[\begin{array}{l}
1 \\
\hat{g}
\end{array}\right]
$$

that are closest to the unit circle.

## Min-Norm Method: Determining $\hat{g}$

Let $\left.\widehat{S}=\left[\begin{array}{c}\alpha^{*} \\ \bar{S}\end{array}\right]\right\} \begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & m-1\end{aligned}$
Then:

$$
\begin{gathered}
{\left[\begin{array}{l}
1 \\
\hat{g}
\end{array}\right] \in \mathcal{R}(\widehat{G}) \Rightarrow \widehat{S}^{*}\left[\begin{array}{l}
1 \\
\hat{g}
\end{array}\right]=0} \\
\Rightarrow \bar{S}^{*} \hat{g}=-\alpha
\end{gathered}
$$

Min-Norm solution: $\hat{g}=-\bar{S}\left(\bar{S}^{*} \bar{S}\right)^{-1} \alpha$

As: $I=\widehat{S}^{*} \widehat{S}=\alpha \alpha^{*}+\bar{S}^{*} \bar{S},\left(\bar{S}^{*} \bar{S}\right)^{-1}$ exists iff

$$
\alpha^{*} \alpha=\|\alpha\|^{2} \neq 1
$$

(This holds, at least, for $N \gg 1$.)

Multiplying the above equation by $\alpha$ gives:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \alpha\left(1-\|\alpha\|^{2}\right)=\left(\bar{S}^{*} \bar{S}\right) \alpha \\
& \Rightarrow\left(\bar{S}^{*} \bar{S}\right)^{-1} \alpha=\alpha /\left(1-\|\alpha\|^{2}\right) \\
& \Rightarrow \widehat{g}=-\bar{S} \alpha /\left(1-\|\alpha\|^{2}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## ESPRIT Method

$$
\text { Let } \quad \begin{aligned}
A_{1} & =\left[\begin{array}{ll}
I_{m-1} & 0
\end{array}\right] A \\
& A_{2}
\end{aligned}=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
0 & I_{m-1}
\end{array}\right] A
$$

Then $A_{2}=A_{1} D$, where

$$
D=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
e^{-i \omega_{1}} & & 0 \\
& \ddots & \\
0 & & e^{-i \omega_{n}}
\end{array}\right]
$$

Also, let $\quad S_{1}=\left[\begin{array}{ll}I_{m-1} & 0\end{array}\right] S$

$$
S_{2}=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
0 & I_{m-1}
\end{array}\right] S
$$

Recall $S=A C$ with $|C| \neq 0$. Then

$$
S_{2}=A_{2} C=A_{1} D C=S_{1} \underbrace{C^{-1} D C}_{\phi}
$$

So $\phi$ has the same eigenvalues as $D . \phi$ is uniquely determined as

$$
\phi=\left(S_{1}^{*} S_{1}\right)^{-1} S_{1}^{*} S_{2}
$$

## ESPRIT Implementation

From the eigendecomposition of $\widehat{R}$, find $\widehat{S}$, then $\widehat{S}_{1}$ and $\widehat{S}_{2}$.

The frequency estimates are found by:

$$
\left\{\widehat{\omega}_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}=-\arg \left(\widehat{\nu}_{k}\right)
$$

where $\left\{\hat{\nu}_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{n}$ are the eigenvalues of

$$
\widehat{\phi}=\left(\widehat{S}_{1}^{*} \widehat{S}_{1}\right)^{-1} \widehat{S}_{1}^{*} \widehat{S}_{2}
$$

ESPRIT Advantages:

- computationally simple
- no extraneous frequency estimates (unlike in MUSIC or Min-Norm)
- accurate frequency estimates
Summary of Frequency Estimation Methods

| Method | Computational <br> Burden | Accuracy / <br> Resolution | Risk for False <br> Freq Estimates |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Periodogram | small | medium-high | medium |
| Nonlinear LS | very high | very high | very high |
| Yule-Walker | medium | high | medium |
| Pisarenko | small | low | none |
| MUSIC | high | high | medium |
| Min-Norm | medium | high | small |
| ESPRIT | medium | very high | none |

Recommendation:

- Use Periodogram for medium-resolution applications
- Use ESPRIT for high-resolution applications
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# Filter Bank Methods 

## Lecture 7

## Basic Ideas

Two main PSD estimation approaches:

1. Parametric Approach: Parameterize $\phi(\omega)$ by a finite-dimensional model.
2. Nonparametric Approach: Implicitly smooth $\{\phi(\omega)\}_{\omega=-\pi}^{\pi}$ by assuming that $\phi(\omega)$ is nearly constant over the bands

$$
[\omega-\beta \pi, \omega+\beta \pi], \beta \ll 1
$$

2 is more general than 1 , but 2 requires

$$
N \beta>1
$$

to ensure that the number of estimated values
$(=2 \pi / 2 \pi \beta=1 / \beta)$ is $<N$.
$N \beta>1$ leads to the variability / resolution compromise associated with all nonparametric methods.
Filter Bank Approach to Spectral Estimation


$$
\begin{aligned}
\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\tilde{\omega}) & \triangleq \frac{1}{N}\left|\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) e^{-i \tilde{\omega} t}\right|^{2} \\
& =\frac{1}{N}\left|\sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) e^{i \tilde{\omega}(N-t)}\right|^{2} \\
& =N\left|\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h_{k} y(N-k)\right|^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
h_{k} & = \begin{cases}\frac{1}{N} e^{i \tilde{\omega} k}, & k=0, \ldots, N-1 \\
0, & \text { otherwise }\end{cases} \\
H(\omega) & =\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h_{k} e^{-i \omega k}=\frac{1}{N} \frac{e^{i N(\tilde{\omega}-\omega)}-1}{e^{i(\tilde{\omega}-\omega)}-1}
\end{aligned}
$$

- center frequency of $H(\omega)=\tilde{\omega}$
- 3 dB bandwidth of $H(\omega) \simeq 1 / N$

Filter Bank Interpretation of the Periodogram, con't

## $|H(\omega)|$ as a function of $(\tilde{\omega}-\omega)$, for $N=50$.



Conclusion: The periodogram $\widehat{\phi}_{p}(\omega)$ is a filter bank PSD estimator with bandpass filter as given above, and:

- narrow filter passband,
- power calculation from only $\mathbf{1}$ sample of filter output.


## Possible Improvements to the Filter Bank Approach

1. Split the available sample, and bandpass filter each subsample.

- more data points for the power calculation stage.

This approach leads to Bartlett and Welch methods.
2. Use several bandpass filters on the whole sample. Each filter covers a small band centered on $\tilde{\omega}$.

- provides several samples for power calculation.

This "multiwindow approach" is similar to the Daniell method.

Both approaches compromise bias for variance, and in fact are quite related to each other: splitting the data sample can be interpreted as a special form of windowing or filtering.

## Capon Method

Idea: Data-dependent bandpass filter design.

$$
\begin{aligned}
y_{F}(t) & =\sum_{k=0}^{m} h_{k} y(t-k) \\
& =\underbrace{\left[h_{0} h_{1} \ldots h_{m}\right]}_{h^{*}} \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{c}
y(t) \\
\vdots(t-m)
\end{array}\right]}_{\tilde{y}(t)} \\
E\left\{\left|y_{F}(t)\right|^{2}\right\} & =h^{*} R h, \quad R=E\left\{\tilde{y}(t) \tilde{y}^{*}(t)\right\} \\
H(\omega) & =\sum_{k=0}^{m} h_{k} e^{-i \omega k}=h^{*} a(\omega)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $a(\omega)=\left[1, e^{-i \omega} \ldots e^{-i m \omega}\right]^{T}$

## Capon Method, con't

## Capon Filter Design Problem:

$$
\min _{h}\left(h^{*} R h\right) \quad \text { subject to } h^{*} a(\omega)=1
$$

Solution: $h_{0}=R^{-1} a / a^{*} R^{-1} a$

The power at the filter output is:

$$
E\left\{\left|y_{F}(t)\right|^{2}\right\}=h_{0}^{*} R h_{0}=1 / a^{*}(\omega) R^{-1} a(\omega)
$$

which should be the power of $y(t)$ in a passband centered on $\omega$.

The Bandwidth $\simeq \frac{1}{m+1}=\frac{1}{\text { (filter length) }}$
Conclusion Estimate PSD as:

$$
\widehat{\phi}(\omega)=\frac{m+1}{a^{*}(\omega) \hat{R}^{-1} a(\omega)}
$$

with

$$
\widehat{R}=\frac{1}{N-m} \sum_{t=m+1}^{N} \tilde{y}(t) \tilde{y}^{*}(t)
$$

## Capon Properties

- $m$ is the user parameter that controls the compromise between bias and variance:
- as $m$ increases, bias decreases and variance increases.
- Capon uses one bandpass filter only, but it splits the $N$-data point sample into $(N-m)$ subsequences of length $m$ with maximum overlap. Methods

Consider $\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega)$ with Bartlett window:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega) & =\sum_{k=-m}^{m} \frac{m+1-|k|}{m+1} \widehat{r}(k) e^{-i \omega k} \\
& =\frac{1}{m+1} \sum_{t=0}^{m} \sum_{s=0}^{m} \widehat{r}(t-s) e^{-i \omega(t-s)} \\
& =\frac{a^{*}(\omega) \widehat{R} a(\omega)}{m+1} ; \quad \hat{R}=[\widehat{r}(i-j)]
\end{aligned}
$$

Then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\widehat{\phi}_{B T}(\omega) & =\frac{a^{*}(\omega) \hat{R} a(\omega)}{m+1} \\
\widehat{\phi}_{C}(\omega) & =\frac{m+1}{a^{*}(\omega) \hat{R}^{-1} a(\omega)}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Relation between Capon and AR Methods

Let

$$
\widehat{\phi}_{k}^{\mathrm{AR}}(\omega)=\frac{\widehat{\sigma}_{k}^{2}}{\left|\widehat{A}_{k}(\omega)\right|^{2}}
$$

be the $k$ th order AR PSD estimate of $y(t)$.

Then

$$
\hat{\phi}_{C}(\omega)=\frac{1}{\frac{1}{m+1} \sum_{k=0}^{m} 1 / \widehat{\phi}_{k}^{\mathrm{AR}}(\omega)}
$$

## Consequences:

- Due to the average over $k, \widehat{\phi}_{C}(\omega)$ generally has less statistical variability than the AR PSD estimator.
- Due to the low-order AR terms in the average, $\widehat{\phi}_{C}(\omega)$ generally has worse resolution and bias properties than the AR method.


## Spatial Methods - Part 1

## Lecture 8

## The Spatial Spectral Estimation Problem




Sensor 1


Sensor $m$

Sensor 2

Problem: Detect and locate $n$ radiating sources by using an array of $m$ passive sensors.

Emitted energy: Acoustic, electromagnetic, mechanical Receiving sensors: Hydrophones, antennas, seismometers Applications: Radar, sonar, communications, seismology, underwater surveillance

Basic Approach: Determine energy distribution over space (thus the name "spatial spectral analysis")

## Simplifying Assumptions

- Far-field sources in the same plane as the array of sensors
- Non-dispersive wave propagation

Hence: The waves are planar and the only location parameter is direction of arrival (DOA) (or angle of arrival, AOA).

- The number of sources $n$ is known. (We do not treat the detection problem)
- The sensors are linear dynamic elements with known transfer characteristics and known locations
(That is, the array is calibrated.)


## Array Model - Single Emitter Case

$x(t)=$ the signal waveform as measured at a reference point (e.g., at the "first" sensor)
$\tau_{k}=\quad$ the delay between the reference point and the $k$ th sensor
$h_{k}(t)=$ the impulse response (weighting function) of sensor $k$
$\bar{e}_{k}(t)=$ "noise" at the $k$ th sensor (e.g., thermal noise in sensor electronics; background noise, etc.)

Note: $t \in \mathcal{R}$ (continuous-time signals).
Then the output of sensor $k$ is

$$
\bar{y}_{k}(t)=h_{k}(t) * x\left(t-\tau_{k}\right)+\bar{e}_{k}(t)
$$

( $*=$ convolution operator).
Basic Problem: Estimate the time delays $\left\{\tau_{k}\right\}$ with $h_{k}(t)$ known but $x(t)$ unknown.

This is a time-delay estimation problem in the unknown input case.

## Narrowband Assumption

Assume: The emitted signals are narrowband with known carrier frequency $\omega_{c}$.

Then: $\quad x(t)=\alpha(t) \cos \left[\omega_{c} t+\varphi(t)\right]$
where $\alpha(t), \varphi(t)$ vary "slowly enough" so that

$$
\alpha\left(t-\tau_{k}\right) \simeq \alpha(t), \quad \varphi\left(t-\tau_{k}\right) \simeq \varphi(t)
$$

Time delay is now $\simeq$ to a phase shift $\omega_{c} \tau_{k}$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
x\left(t-\tau_{k}\right) \simeq \alpha(t) \cos \left[\omega_{c} t+\varphi(t)-\omega_{c} \tau_{k}\right] \\
h_{k}(t) * x\left(t-\tau_{k}\right) \\
\simeq\left|H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right)\right| \alpha(t) \cos \left[\omega_{c} t+\varphi(t)-\omega_{c} \tau_{k}+\arg \left\{H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right)\right\}\right]
\end{gathered}
$$

where $H_{k}(\omega)=\mathcal{F}\left\{h_{k}(t)\right\}$ is the $k$ th sensor's transfer function

Hence, the $k$ th sensor output is

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \bar{y}_{k}(t)=\left|H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right)\right| \alpha(t) \\
& \quad \cdot \cos \left[\omega_{c} t+\varphi(t)-\omega_{c} \tau_{k}+\arg H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right)\right]+\bar{e}_{k}(t)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Complex Signal Representation

The noise-free output has the form:

$$
\begin{aligned}
z(t) & =\beta(t) \cos \left[\omega_{c} t+\psi(t)\right]= \\
& =\frac{\beta(t)}{2}\left\{e^{i\left[\omega_{c} t+\psi(t)\right]}+e^{-i\left[\omega_{c} t+\psi(t)\right]}\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

Demodulate $z(t)$ (translate to baseband):

$$
2 z(t) e^{-\omega_{c} t}=\beta(t)\{\underbrace{e^{i \psi(t)}}_{\text {lowpass }}+\underbrace{e^{-i\left[2 \omega_{c} t+\psi(t)\right]}}_{\text {highpass }}\}
$$

Lowpass filter $2 z(t) e^{-i \omega_{c} t}$ to obtain $\beta(t) e^{i \psi(t)}$

Hence, by low-pass filtering and sampling the signal

$$
\begin{aligned}
\tilde{y}_{k}(t) / 2 & =\bar{y}_{k}(t) e^{-i \omega_{c} t} \\
& =\bar{y}_{k}(t) \cos \left(\omega_{c} t\right)-i \bar{y}_{k}(t) \sin \left(\omega_{c} t\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

we get the complex representation: (for $t \in \mathcal{Z}$ )

$$
y_{k}(t)=\underbrace{\alpha(t) e^{i \varphi(t)}}_{s(t)} \underbrace{\left|H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right)\right| e^{i \arg \left[H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right)\right]}}_{H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right)} e^{-i \omega_{c} \tau_{k}}+e_{k}(t)
$$

or

$$
y_{k}(t)=s(t) H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right) e^{-i \omega_{c} \tau_{k}}+e_{k}(t)
$$

where $s(t)$ is the complex envelope of $x(t)$.

## Vector Representation for a Narrowband Source

Let

$$
\begin{gathered}
\theta=\text { the emitter DOA } \\
m=\text { the number of sensors } \\
a(\theta)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
H_{1}\left(\omega_{c}\right) e^{-i \omega_{c} \tau_{1}} \\
\vdots \\
H_{m}\left(\omega_{c}\right) e^{-i \omega_{c} \tau_{m}}
\end{array}\right] \\
y(t)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
y_{1}(t) \\
\vdots \\
y_{m}(t)
\end{array}\right] \quad e(t)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
e_{1}(t) \\
\vdots \\
e_{m}(t)
\end{array}\right]
\end{gathered}
$$

Then

$$
y(t)=a(\theta) s(t)+e(t)
$$

NOTE: $\theta$ enters $a(\theta)$ via both $\left\{\tau_{k}\right\}$ and $\left\{H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right)\right\}$.
For omnidirectional sensors the $\left\{H_{k}\left(\omega_{c}\right)\right\}$ do not depend on $\theta$.
Analog Processing Block Diagram

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## Multiple Emitter Case

Given $n$ emitters with

- received signals: $\left\{s_{k}(t)\right\}_{k=1}^{n}$
- DOAs: $\theta_{k}$

Linear sensors $\Rightarrow$

$$
y(t)=a\left(\theta_{1}\right) s_{1}(t)+\cdots+a\left(\theta_{n}\right) s_{n}(t)+e(t)
$$

Let

$$
\begin{aligned}
A & =\left[a\left(\theta_{1}\right) \ldots a\left(\theta_{n}\right)\right],(m \times n) \\
s(t) & =\left[s_{1}(t) \ldots s_{n}(t)\right]^{T},(n \times 1)
\end{aligned}
$$

Then, the array equation is:

$$
y(t)=A s(t)+e(t)
$$

Use the planar wave assumption to find the dependence of $\tau_{k}$ on $\theta$.

## Uniform Linear Arrays



## ULA Geometry

Sensor \#1 = time delay reference

Time Delay for sensor $k$ :

$$
\tau_{k}=(k-1) \frac{d \sin \theta}{c}
$$

where $c=$ wave propagation speed

## Spatial Frequency

Let:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\omega_{s} & \triangleq \omega_{c} \frac{d \sin \theta}{c}=2 \pi \frac{d \sin \theta}{c / f_{c}}=2 \pi \frac{d \sin \theta}{\lambda} \\
\lambda & =c / f_{c}=\text { signal wavelength } \\
a(\theta) & =\left[1, e^{-i \omega_{s}} \ldots e^{-i(m-1) \omega_{s}}\right]^{T}
\end{aligned}
$$

By direct analogy with the vector $a(\omega)$ made from uniform samples of a sinusoidal time series,

$$
\omega_{s}=\text { spatial frequency }
$$

The function $\omega_{s} \mapsto a(\theta)$ is one-to-one for

$$
\left|\omega_{s}\right| \leq \pi \leftrightarrow \frac{d|\sin \theta|}{\lambda / 2} \leq 1 \leftarrow d \leq \lambda / 2
$$

As

$$
d=\text { spatial sampling period }
$$

$d \leq \lambda / 2$ is a spatial Shannon sampling theorem.

# Spatial Methods - Part 2 

## Lecture 9

## Spatial Filtering

## Spatial filtering useful for

- DOA discrimination (similar to frequency discrimination of time-series filtering)
- Nonparametric DOA estimation

There is a strong analogy between temporal filtering and spatial filtering.

## Temporal FIR Filter:

$$
\begin{aligned}
y_{F}(t) & =\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} h_{k} u(t-k)=h^{*} y(t) \\
h & =\left[h_{o} \ldots h_{m-1}\right]^{*} \\
y(t) & =[u(t) \ldots u(t-m+1)]^{T}
\end{aligned}
$$

If $u(t)=e^{i \omega t}$ then

$$
y_{F}(t)=\underbrace{\left[h^{*} a(\omega)\right]}_{\text {filter transfer function }} u(t)
$$

$$
a(\omega)=\left[1, e^{-i \omega} \ldots e^{-i(m-1) \omega}\right]^{T}
$$

We can select $h$ to enhance or attenuate signals with different frequencies $\omega$.

## Analogy between Temporal and Spatial Filtering

## Spatial Filter:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\{y_{k}(t)\right\}_{k=1}^{m}= & \text { the "spatial samples" obtained with a } \\
& \text { sensor array. }
\end{aligned}
$$

Spatial FIR Filter output:

$$
y_{F}(t)=\sum_{k=1}^{m} h_{k} y_{k}(t)=h^{*} y(t)
$$

Narrowband Wavefront: The array's (noise-free)
response to a narrowband ( $\sim$ sinusoidal) wavefront with complex envelope $s(t)$ is:

$$
\begin{aligned}
y(t) & =a(\theta) s(t) \\
a(\theta) & =\left[1, e^{-i \omega_{c} \tau_{2}} \ldots e^{-i \omega_{c} \tau_{m}}\right]^{T}
\end{aligned}
$$

The corresponding filter output is

$$
y_{F}(t)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
{\left[h^{*} a(\theta)\right]} \\
\text { filter transfer function }
\end{array} s(t)\right.
$$

We can select $h$ to enhance or attenuate signals coming from different DOAs.

## Analogy between Temporal and Spatial Filtering


(Temporal sampling)

## (a) Temporal filter

narrowband source with $\mathrm{DOA}=\theta$

(b) Spatial filter

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## Spatial Filtering, con't

Example: The response magnitude $\left|h^{*} a(\theta)\right|$ of a spatial filter (or beamformer) for a 10 -element ULA. Here, $h=a\left(\theta_{0}\right)$, where $\theta_{0}=25^{\circ}$ 0


## Spatial Filtering Uses

## Spatial Filters can be used

- To pass the signal of interest only, hence filtering out interferences located outside the filter's beam (but possibly having the same temporal characteristics as the signal).
- To locate an emitter in the field of view, by sweeping the filter through the DOA range of interest ("goniometer").


## Nonparametric Spatial Methods

A Filter Bank Approach to DOA estimation.

## Basic Ideas

- Design a filter $h(\theta)$ such that for each $\theta$
- It passes undistorted the signal with $\mathrm{DOA}=\theta$
- It attenuates all DOAs $\neq \theta$
- Sweep the filter through the DOA range of interest, and evaluate the powers of the filtered signals:

$$
\begin{aligned}
E\left\{\left|y_{F}(t)\right|^{2}\right\} & =E\left\{\left|h^{*}(\theta) y(t)\right|^{2}\right\} \\
& =h^{*}(\theta) \operatorname{Rh}(\theta)
\end{aligned}
$$

with $R=E\left\{y(t) y^{*}(t)\right\}$.

- The (dominant) peaks of $h^{*}(\theta) R h(\theta)$ give the DOAs of the sources.

Assume the array output is spatially white:

$$
R=E\left\{y(t) y^{*}(t)\right\}=I
$$

Then: $\quad E\left\{\left|y_{F}(t)\right|^{2}\right\}=h^{*} h$

Hence: In direct analogy with the temporally white assumption for filter bank methods, $y(t)$ can be considered as impinging on the array from all DOAs.

## Filter Design:

$$
\min _{h}\left(h^{*} h\right) \text { subject to } h^{*} a(\theta)=1
$$

## Solution:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h=a(\theta) / a^{*}(\theta) a(\theta)=a(\theta) / m \\
& E\left\{\left|y_{F}(t)\right|^{2}\right\}=a^{*}(\theta) R a(\theta) / m^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Implementation of Beamforming

$$
\widehat{R}=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} y(t) y^{*}(t)
$$

The beamforming DOA estimates are:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\{\hat{\theta}_{k}\right\}= & \text { the locations of the } n \text { largest peaks of } \\
& a^{*}(\theta) \hat{R} a(\theta) .
\end{aligned}
$$

This is the direct spatial analog of the Blackman-Tukey periodogram.

## Resolution Threshold:

$$
\text { inf } \begin{aligned}
\left|\theta_{k}-\theta_{p}\right| & >\frac{\text { wavelength }}{\text { array length }} \\
& =\text { array beamwidth }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Inconsistency problem:

Beamforming DOA estimates are consistent if $n=1$, but inconsistent if $n>1$.

## Capon Method

## Filter design:

$$
\min _{h}\left(h^{*} R h\right) \text { subject to } h^{*} a(\theta)=1
$$

## Solution:

$$
\begin{aligned}
h & =R^{-1} a(\theta) / a^{*}(\theta) R^{-1} a(\theta) \\
E\left\{\left|y_{F}(t)\right|^{2}\right\} & =1 / a^{*}(\theta) R^{-1} a(\theta)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Implementation:

$\left\{\hat{\theta}_{k}\right\}=$ the locations of the $n$ largest peaks of

$$
1 / a^{*}(\theta) \widehat{R}^{-1} a(\theta)
$$

## Performance: Slightly superior to Beamforming.

Both Beamforming and Capon are nonparametric approaches. They do not make assumptions on the covariance properties of the data (and hence do not depend on them).

## Parametric Methods

## Assumptions:

- The array is described by the equation:

$$
y(t)=A s(t)+e(t)
$$

- The noise is spatially white and has the same power in all sensors:

$$
E\left\{e(t) e^{*}(t)\right\}=\sigma^{2} I
$$

- The signal covariance matrix

$$
P=E\left\{s(t) s^{*}(t)\right\}
$$

is nonsingular.

## Then:

$$
R=E\left\{y(t) y^{*}(t)\right\}=A P A^{*}+\sigma^{2} I
$$

Thus: The NLS, YW, MUSIC, MIN-NORM and ESPRIT methods of frequency estimation can be used, almost without modification, for DOA estimation.

## Nonlinear Least Squares Method

$$
\min _{\left\{\theta_{k}\right\},\{s(t)\}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N}\|y(t)-A s(t)\|^{2}}_{f(\theta, s)}
$$

Minimizing $f$ over $s$ gives

$$
\hat{s}(t)=\left(A^{*} A\right)^{-1} A^{*} y(t), \quad t=1, \ldots, N
$$

Then

$$
\begin{aligned}
f(\theta, \widehat{s}) & =\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N}\left\|\left[I-A\left(A^{*} A\right)^{-1} A^{*}\right] y(t)\right\|^{2} \\
& =\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} y^{*}(t)\left[I-A\left(A^{*} A\right)^{-1} A^{*}\right] y(t) \\
& =\operatorname{tr}\left\{\left[I-A\left(A^{*} A\right)^{-1} A^{*}\right] \hat{R}\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus, $\left\{\widehat{\theta}_{k}\right\}=\arg \max _{\left\{\theta_{k}\right\}} \operatorname{tr}\left\{\left[A\left(A^{*} A\right)^{-1} A^{*}\right] \widehat{R}\right\}$

For $N=1$, this is precisely the form of the NLS method of frequency estimation.

## Nonlinear Least Squares Method

## Properties of NLS:

- Performance: high
- Computational complexity: high
- Main drawback: need for multidimensional search.


## Yule-Walker Method

$$
y(t)=\left[\begin{array}{l}
\bar{y}(t) \\
\tilde{y}(t)
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{l}
\bar{A} \\
\tilde{A}
\end{array}\right] s(t)+\left[\begin{array}{l}
\bar{e}(t) \\
\tilde{e}(t)
\end{array}\right]
$$

Assume: $E\left\{\bar{e}(t) \tilde{e}^{*}(t)\right\}=0$

## Then:

$$
\Gamma \triangleq E\left\{\bar{y}(t) \tilde{y}^{*}(t)\right\}=\bar{A} P \tilde{A}^{*} \quad(M \times L)
$$

## Also assume:

- $M>n, L>n \quad(\Rightarrow m=M+L>2 n)$
- $\operatorname{rank}(\bar{A})=\operatorname{rank}(\tilde{A})=n$

Then: $\operatorname{rank}(\Gamma)=n$, and the SVD of $\Gamma$ is

$$
\Gamma=[\underbrace{U_{1}}_{n} \underbrace{U_{2}}_{M-n}]\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\Sigma_{n \times n} & 0 \\
0 & 0
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
V_{1}^{*} \\
V_{2}^{*}
\end{array}\right]\}\}_{L-n}^{n}
$$

$$
\text { Properties: } \tilde{A}^{*} V_{2}=0 \quad V_{1} \in \mathcal{R}(\tilde{A})
$$

Lecture notes to accompany Introduction to Spectral Analysis

## YW-MUSIC DOA Estimator

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\{\widehat{\theta}_{k}\right\}= & \text { the } n \text { largest peaks of } \\
& 1 / \tilde{a}^{*}(\theta) \widehat{V}_{2} \widehat{V}_{2}^{*} \tilde{a}(\theta)
\end{aligned}
$$

## where

- $\tilde{a}(\theta),(L \times 1)$, is the "array transfer vector" for $\tilde{y}(t)$ at DOA $\theta$
- $\hat{V}_{2}$ is defined similarly to $V_{2}$, using

$$
\hat{\Gamma}=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} \bar{y}(t) \tilde{y}^{*}(t)
$$

## Properties:

- Computational complexity: medium
- Performance: satisfactory if $m \gg 2 n$
- Main advantages:
- weak assumption on $\{e(t)\}$
- the subarray $\bar{A}$ need not be calibrated

Both MUSIC and Min-Norm methods for frequency estimation apply with only minor modifications to the DOA estimation problem.

- Spectral forms of MUSIC and Min-Norm can be used for arbitrary arrays
- Root forms can be used only with ULAs
- MUSIC and Min-Norm break down if the source signals are coherent; that is, if

$$
\operatorname{rank}(P)=\operatorname{rank}\left(E\left\{s(t) s^{*}(t)\right\}\right)<n
$$

Modifications that apply in the coherent case exist.

## ESPRIT Method

Assumption: The array is made from two identical subarrays separated by a known displacement vector.

Let

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \bar{m}=\text { \# sensors in each subarray } \\
& A_{1}=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
I_{\bar{m}} & 0
\end{array}\right] A \\
& A_{2}=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
0 & I_{\bar{m}}
\end{array}\right] A \\
&\text { (transfer matrix of subarray } 1)
\end{aligned}
$$

Then $\quad A_{2}=A_{1} D$, where

$$
D=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
e^{-i \omega_{c} \tau\left(\theta_{1}\right)} & & 0 \\
& \ddots & \\
0 & & e^{-i \omega_{c} \tau\left(\theta_{n}\right)}
\end{array}\right]
$$

$\tau(\theta)=$ the time delay from subarray 1 to subarray 2 for a signal with $\mathrm{DOA}=\theta$ :

$$
\tau(\theta)=d \sin (\theta) / c
$$

where $d$ is the subarray separation and $\theta$ is measured from the perpendicular to the subarray displacement vector.

## ESPRIT Method, con't


subarray 2

## Properties:

- Requires special array geometry
- Computationally efficient
- No risk of spurious DOA estimates
- Does not require array calibration

Note: For a ULA, the two subarrays are often the first $m-1$ and last $m-1$ array elements, so $\bar{m}=m-1$ and

$$
A_{1}=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
I_{m-1} & 0
\end{array}\right] A, \quad A_{2}=\left[0 I_{m-1}\right] A
$$

