

Digital Signal Processing Lab

Experiment 5

Power Spectrum Estimation

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Objective:

The goal of the assignment is to estimate the PSD of a signal using two methods, first Welch nonparametric method and second parametric method i.e The Yule-Walker AR model method.

Theory:

In this experiment, we first generated a random gaussian sequence $r(n)$ of zero mean and sigma square variance.

Then we passed this generated signal through some digital filter $H(z)$ to generate the output sequence $x(n)$.

Now using $H(z)$ we can get the known PSD of $x(n)$ using the formula: $|H(e^{j2\pi})|^2 \sigma_r^2$

In part A, we estimated the above-known PSD using Welch Non-parametric method, i.e averaging modified periodogram.

Detailed steps of implementation are given in the problem document.

In part B, we estimated the same PSD using parametric methods i.e The Yule-Walker AR model. In this method, we first estimate $H(z)$ and then use it to calculate PSD.

The detailed steps are shown below.

Step.

1. Obtain the autocorrelation estimate of the sequence $x(n)$ given by,

$$r_{xx}(m) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-m-1} x(n)x(n+m) \quad m \geq 0$$

2. Find out the estimated AR model parameters a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p as,

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_{xx}(0) & r_{xx}(1) & \dots & r_{xx}(p-1) \\ r_{xx}(1) & r_{xx}(0) & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ r_{xx}(p-1) & \dots & \dots & r_{xx}(0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_p \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} r_{xx}(1) \\ r_{xx}(2) \\ \vdots \\ r_{xx}(p) \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Obtain the estimated variance $\hat{\sigma}_{rp}^2$ as,

$$\hat{\sigma}_{rp}^2 = r_{xx}(0) + \sum_{k=1}^p a_k r_{xx}(k)$$

4. Construct the estimated AR model $\hat{H}(z)$ by,

$$\hat{H}(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^p a_k z^{-k}}$$

Matlab code for part A [File name: assign5.m]

- This code is responsible for performing all part A of the experiment stepwise.

Code snippet:

```
mean = 0;
sigma = 5;
N= 128;
noise= sigma.*randn(N,1) + mean;
b = [1, -0.5, 0.7];
a = [1, -0.9, 0.8, -0.729];
X = filter(b,a,noise);
L = 8;
M = 16;
D = 0;
X_div = [];
for i=1:L
    X_div(i,:) = X((1+(i-1)*M):(M + (i-1)*M));
end
n = 0:1:(M-1);
hamm_win = 0.54 - 0.46*cos(2*pi*n/(M-1));
U = sumsq(hamm_win)/M;
P_n = [];
for i=1:L
    P_n(i,:) = X_div(i,:).*hamm_win;
end
f = -0.5:0.01:0.5;
COS = 0;
SIN = 0;
P_f = zeros(L, length(f));
for j = 1:L
    for F = 1:length(f)
        COS = 0;
        SIN = 0;
        for i = 1:M
            COS = COS + cos(2*pi*f(F)*i)*P_n(j,i);
            SIN = SIN + sin(2*pi*f(F)*i)*P_n(j,i);
        end
        P_f(j,F) = (COS^2 + SIN^2)/(M*U);
    end
end
Pw_f = zeros(L, length(P_f(1,:)));
for i = 1:L
    Pw_f = Pw_f + P_f(i,:);
end
Pw_f = Pw_f./L;
[h, w] = freqz(b,a,128);
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Code explanation:

The code is fully modular which takes the input as a mean, sigma, filter coefficients a and b, L, M, D and produce known PSD in h, and estimated PSD in Pw_f.

Hamm_win : define a window that has to be used, here hamming window is used.

Matlab code for part B [File name: assign5B.m]

- This code is responsible for performing all part A of the experiment stepwise.

Code snippet:

```
mean = 0;
sigma = 5;
N= 128;
noise= sigma.*randn(N,1) + mean;
b = 1;
a = [1, -0.9, 0.8, -0.729];
X = filter(b,a,noise);
[h, w] = freqz(b,a,128);
p = 6;
r = zeros(p+1);
for i = 0:p
    for j = 1:(N-i)
        r(i+1) = r(i+1) + X(j)*X(j+i);
    end
    r(i+1)= r(i+1)/N;
end
mat = zeros(p,p);
mat2 = zeros(1,p);
for i = 1:p
    mat2(1,i) = r(i+1);
end
for i = 1:p
    for j = 1:p
        mat(i,j) = r(abs(i-j)+1);
    end
end
mat_inv = inv(mat);
coff_a = mat2*mat_inv;
coff_a = coff_a';
sigma_new = 0;
for i=1:p
    sigma_new = sigma_new + coff_a(i,1)*r(i+1);
end
sigma_new = sigma_new + r(1);
b_new = 1;
a_new = ones(p+1);
for i=1:p
    a_new(i+1) = coff_a(i);
end
[h_new, w_new] = freqz(b_new,a_new(:,1),128);
subplot(1,2,1);
l1 = (abs(h).^2).*sigma^2;
l2 = flip(l1);
l = [l2' l1'];
plot(-length(abs(h)):length(abs(h))-1,l);
title('Known PSD using H(f)');
subplot(1,2,2);
l2_new = (abs(h_new).^2).*sigma_new;
l1_new = flip(l2_new);
l_new = [l2_new' l1_new'];
plot(-length(abs(h_new)):length(abs(h_new))-1,l);
title('Estimated PSD');
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Code explanation:

The code is similar to the previous one, p define dimension of parameters mat and mat2 are two matrices with r as their elements, as in step 2, coff_a contains estimated coefficients and a_new, b_new are new filter coefficients. h_new contains estimated filter value.

NOTE: Later I merged both the code in one file named assign5.m.

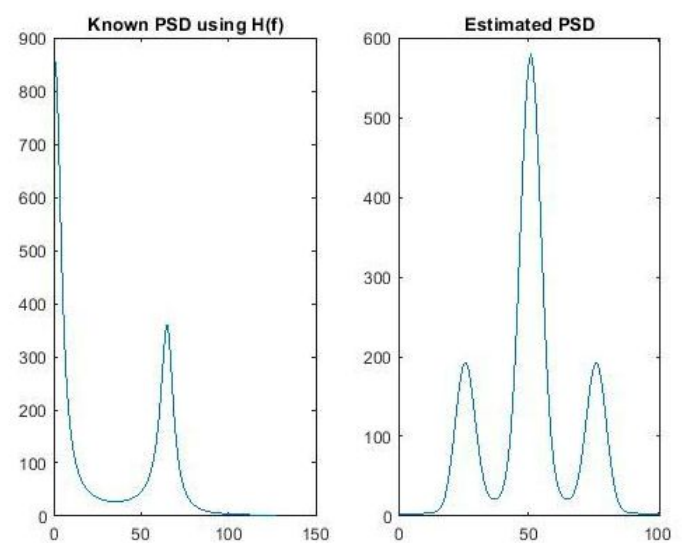
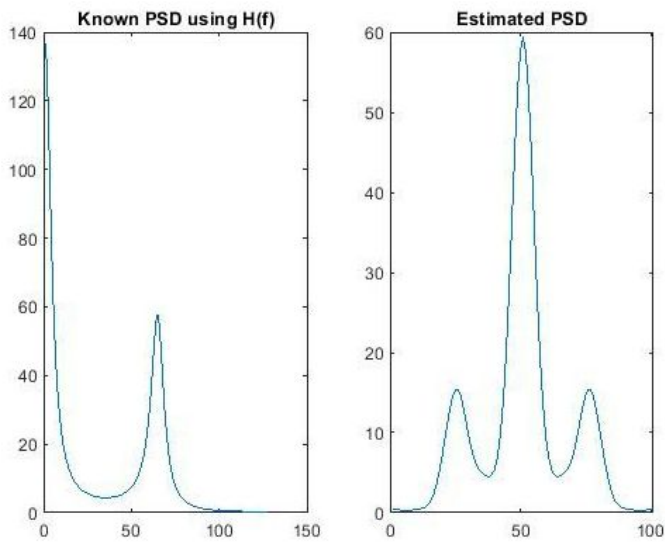
Results:

Part A

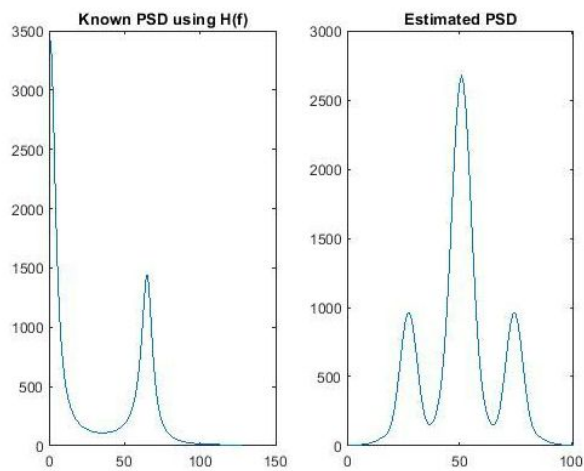
H(z): Given in question

Sigma: 2

Sigma 5

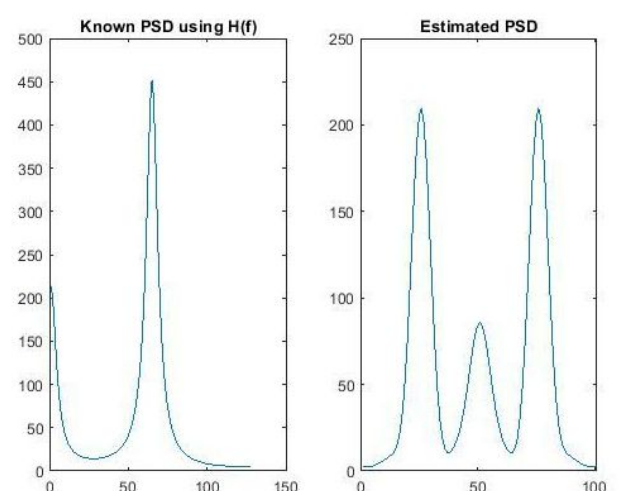
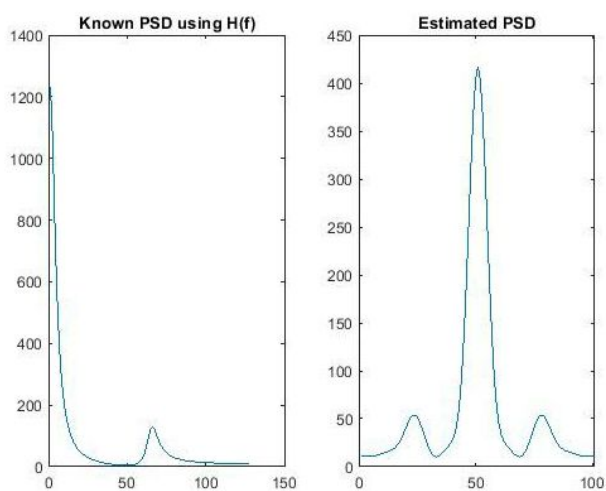


Sigma 10:



H(z): Modified

Sigma: 2

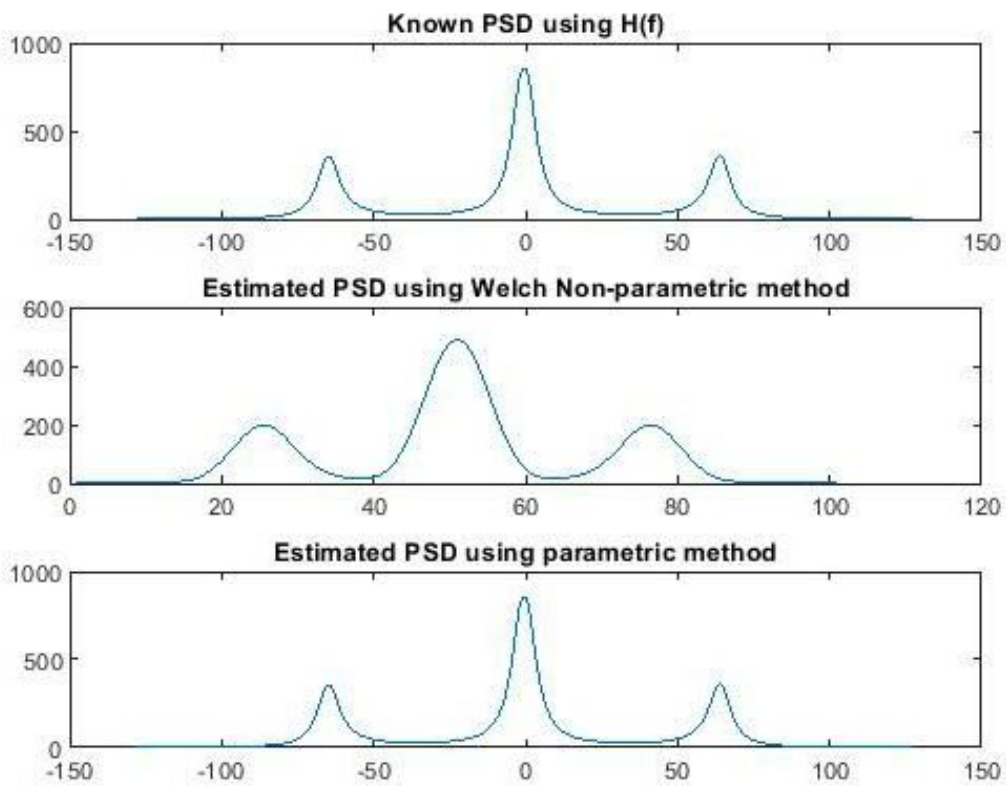


Part B and A combined:

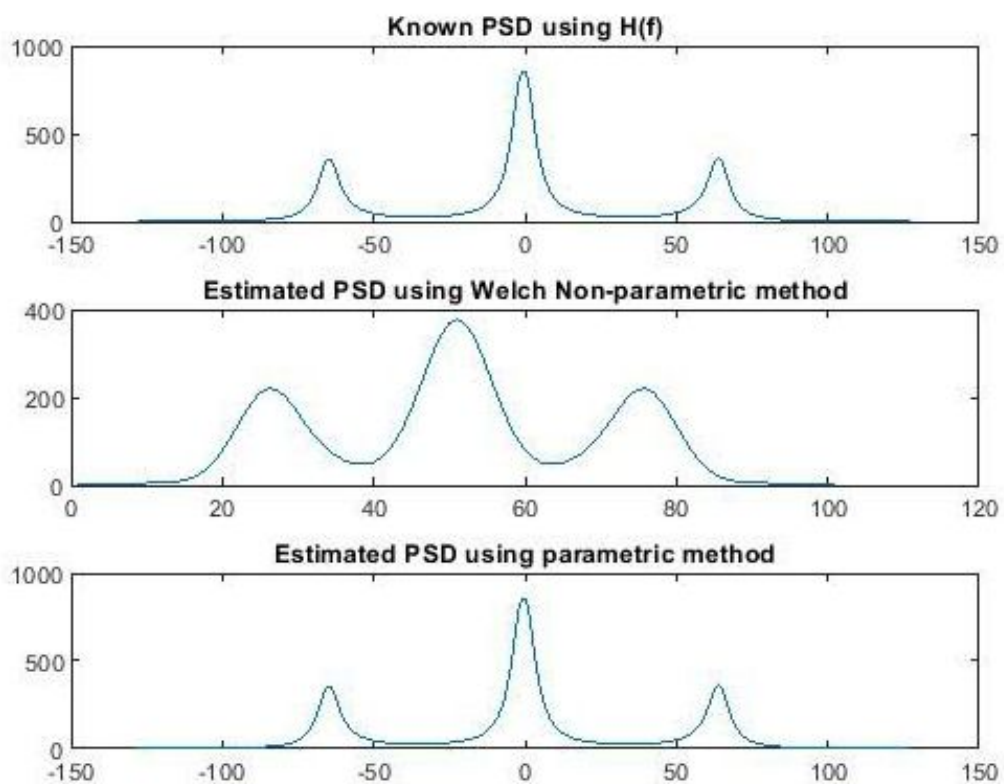
$H(z)$: Given in question

Sigma: 5

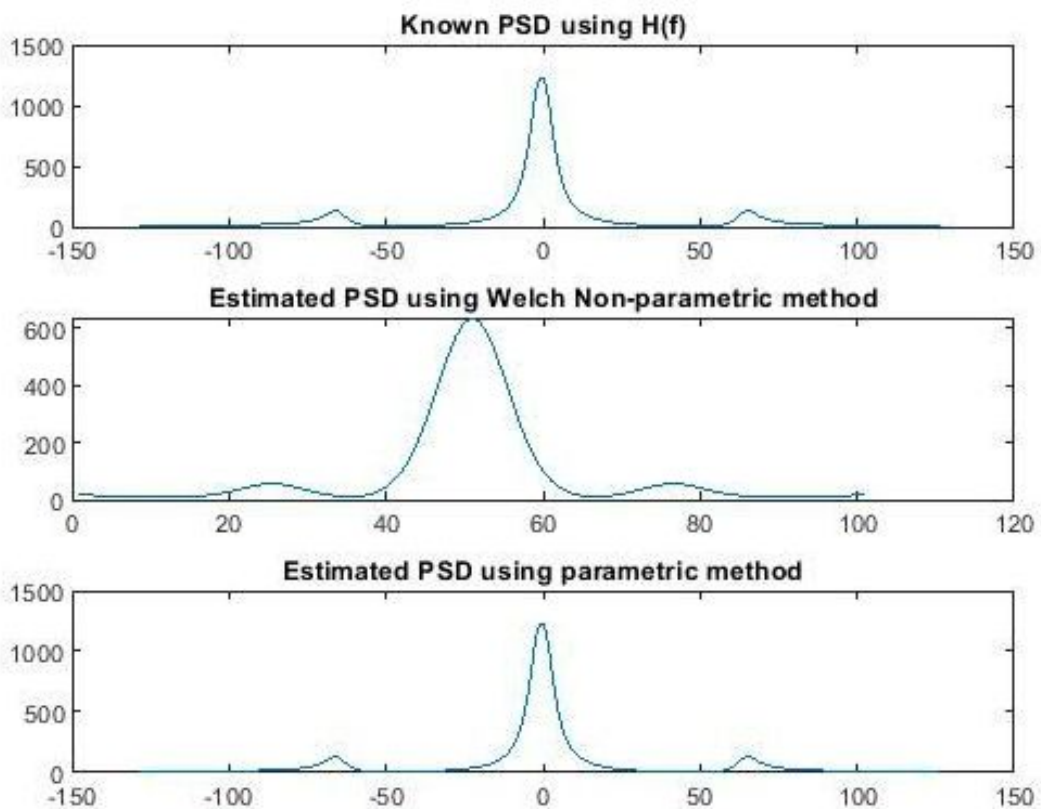
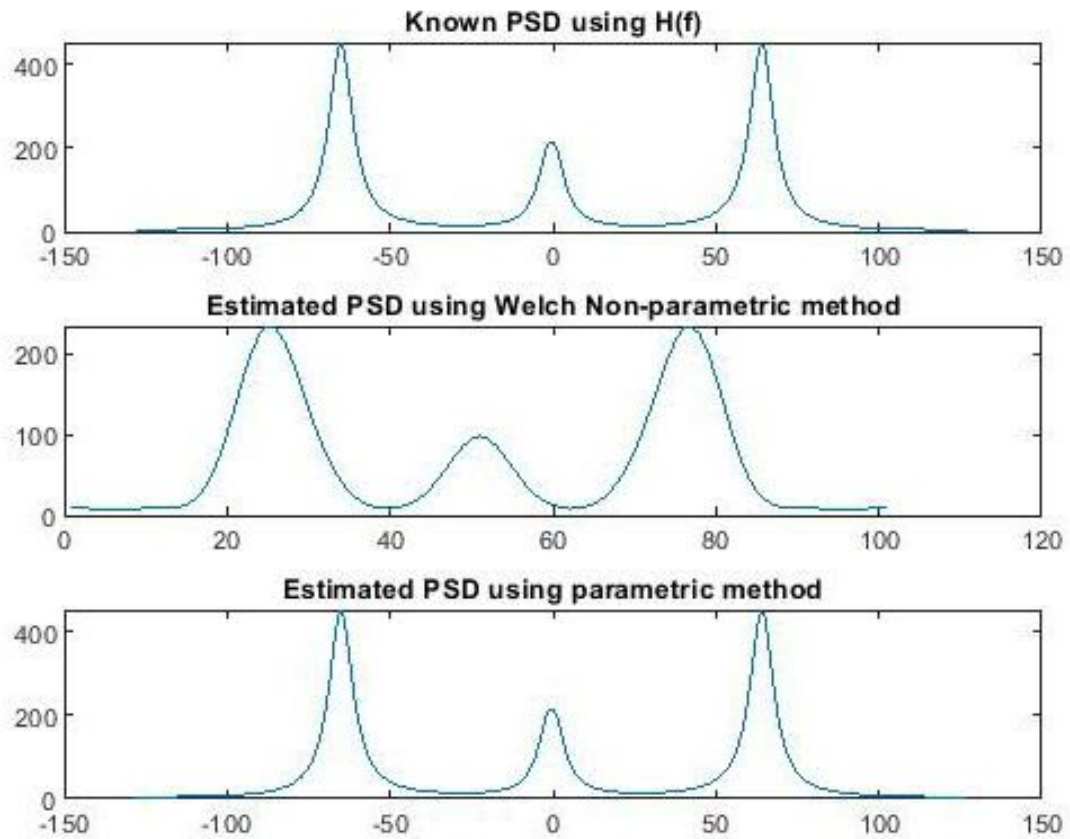
P: 6



P: 10 | Sigma: 5



H(z): Modified
P:6 | Sigma: 5



This link contains all the original Matlab code and audio signals:

https://drive.google.com/open?id=16JQJtUDYqGH-0U_KxsGff-jSVUaKMXAX

Discussions:

In part A

- The estimated PSD is quite similar to the actual one for all $H(z)$.
- With the increase in sigma, the estimation becomes peakier and close to actual one however significant effect can't be seen with the increase in sigma.
- PSD estimation is found to be better in the case of parametric estimation than non-parametric one.

In part B

- In part B, I observed that predicted and actual PSD are quite similar indicating the parametric method works better.
 - The better performance of the parametric method can be due to the fact that in this method we try to estimate $H(z)$ first then use it to calculate PSD, rather than directly estimating PSD which can be prone to errors as in the non-parametric case.
 - We do not use any windowing in this method because AR methods normally use linear prediction that extrapolates the signal and they have reduced side lobes.
 - A lower model order results in a smooth spectrum and less resolution. But a higher-order model may have false peaks due to extra poles that will appear in the filter function.
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