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**ADAPTIVE LINE ENHANCER**

**Theory:** An adaptive line enhancer (ALE) is used to detect a low-level sine wave of unknown frequency in presence of noise. If the input frequency changes the filter adapts itself to be a bandpass filter centered at the input frequency. The ALE is usually realized by using the so-called adaptive filter. In a general adaptive filter, the filter coefficients are updated in time by an adaptation algorithm during an initial training phase, so that filter output  $y(n)$  becomes a better and better estimate of the desired response  $d(n)$  given during this phase. This is shown in Figure 1. The most widely used adaptation algorithm is the Least Mean Square (LMS) algorithm, which uses the error signal  $e(n)$  in a feedback loop (not shown) for coefficient adaptation.

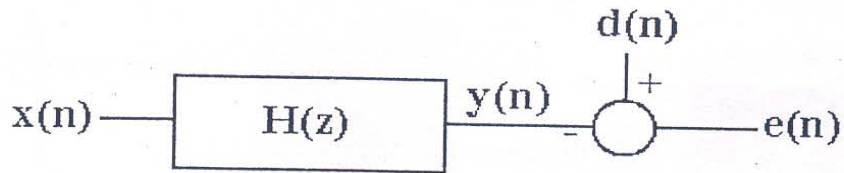


Fig.1:  $d(n)$  is the desired response,  $e(n)$  is the error.

The transfer function,  $H(z) = w_0 + w_1 z^{-1} + w_2 z^{-2} + \dots + w_p z^{-p}$

The filter coefficients are updated in time in the LMS algorithm, following a *steepest descent* along the negative direction of the *gradient of the mean-squared error*. The ideal steepest descent procedure leads to,

$$\mathbf{w}(n+1) = \mathbf{w}(n) - \frac{\mu}{2} \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \varepsilon^2 \Big|_{\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{w}(n)}, \text{ where } \varepsilon^2 = E[e^2(n)],$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \varepsilon^2 = \left[ \frac{\partial \varepsilon^2}{\partial w_0} \quad \frac{\partial \varepsilon^2}{\partial w_1} \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial \varepsilon^2}{\partial w_p} \right]^T \text{ and } \mu \text{ is a constant controlling the convergence rate.}$$

This can be equivalently written as,

$$\mathbf{w}(n+1) = \mathbf{w}(n) + \mu (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w}) \Big|_{\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{w}(n)}$$

$$\text{where, } \mathbf{R} = E[\mathbf{x}(n)\mathbf{x}(n)^T], \quad \mathbf{p} = E[\mathbf{x}(n)d(n)],$$

$$\mathbf{x}(n) = [x(n) \quad x(n-1) \quad x(n-2) \quad \dots \quad x(n-p)]^T \text{ and } \mathbf{w}(n) = [w_0 \quad w_1 \quad \dots \quad w_p]^T.$$

However, in practice,  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathbf{p}$  are not known *a priori* and are estimated from the data online, thus making the weight update recursion adaptive. In the case the LMS algorithm,  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathbf{p}$  are replaced by the estimates:  $\mathbf{x}(n)\mathbf{x}^T(n)$  and  $\mathbf{x}(n)d(n)$  respectively. This results in the celebrated LMS filter coefficient update formula:

$$\mathbf{w}(n+1) = \mathbf{w}(n) + \mu \mathbf{x}(n) e(n).$$

It can be shown that the algorithm converges for  $0 < \mu < \frac{2}{\text{trace}(\mathbf{R})}$ .

In an adaptive line enhancer (Fig.2) the desired response is simply the input  $x(n)$ .

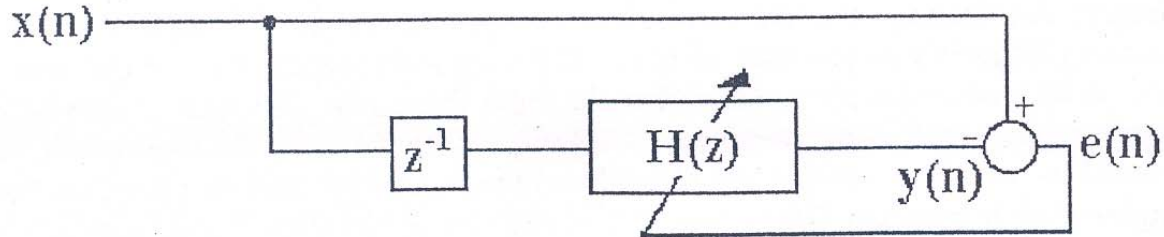


Fig.2: An adaptive line enhancer

**Step:**

1. Take a sinusoidal message waveform  $m(t) = A \sin(2\pi \times F_0 t)$  (Take  $A = 2$  and  $F_0 = 1$  kHz).
2. Add white Gaussian noise  $n(t)$  of zero mean and unity variance to  $m(t)$  and obtain the input signal  $x(t)$ .
3. Sample it properly to generate the discrete input signal  $x(n)$ .
4. Pass  $x(n)$  through the system as shown below (Fig.2)
5. Adapt the filter coefficients as  

$$\mathbf{w}(n+1) = \mathbf{w}(n) + \mu \mathbf{x}(n) e(n)$$
 Take  $\mu = 10^{-4}$ .
6. Continue the iteration in step 5. until the relative change  $\frac{\|\mathbf{w}(n+1) - \mathbf{w}(n)\|^2}{\|\mathbf{w}(n)\|^2} < \varepsilon'$   
 Take  $\varepsilon' = 10^{-3}$ .
7. Plot the latest transfer function  $|H(e^{j2\pi f})|^2$  of the filter (Fig.3).
8. Repeat the above with  $F_0 = 2, 3, 10$  kHz and observe the change in  $|H(e^{j2\pi f})|^2$ .

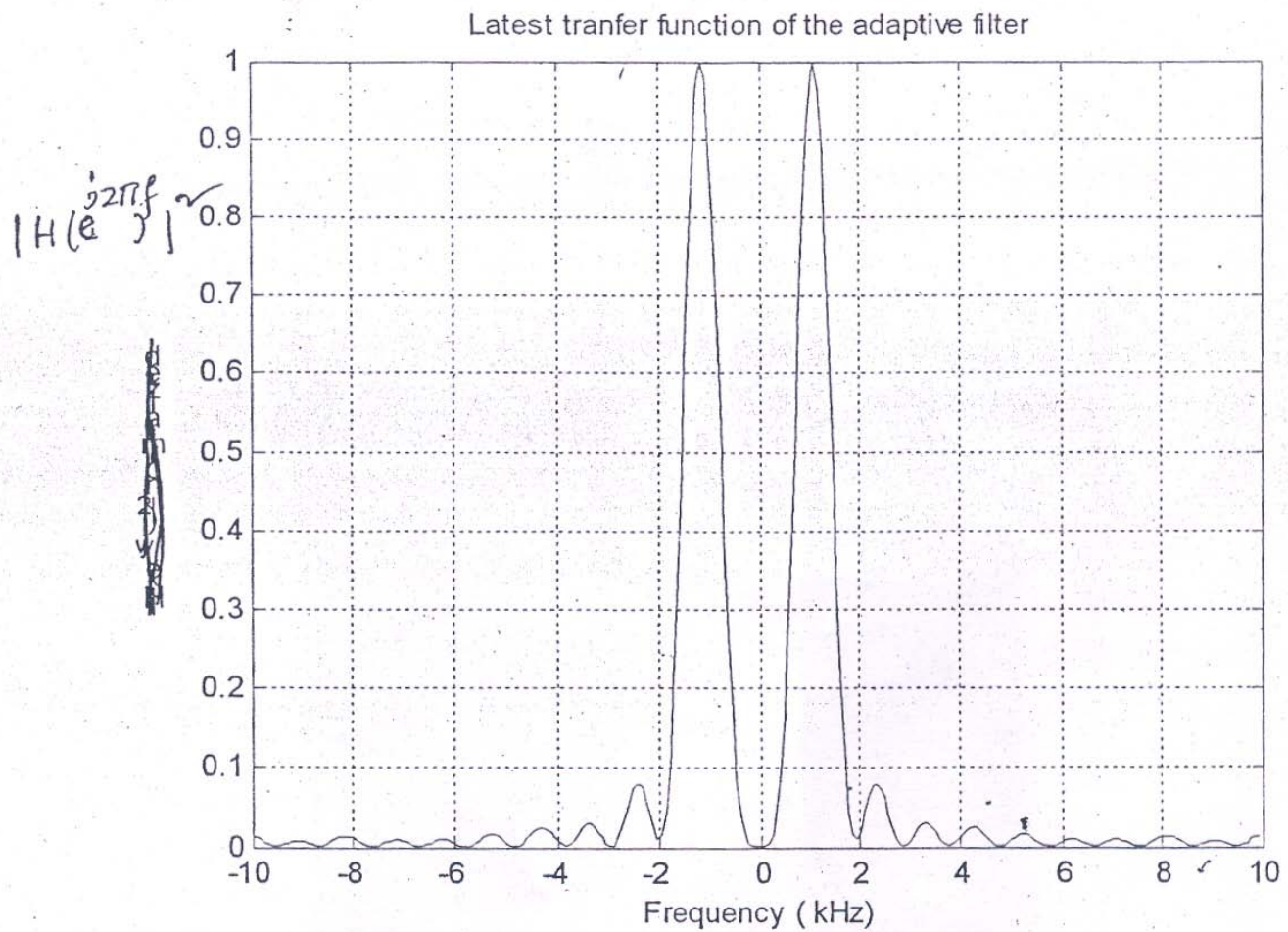


Fig.3: The transfer function of the adaptive filter

- MATLAB functions that you may require: *randn*, *freqz*.

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