

NCA-6: Tutorial on Adaptive Filtering:

With applications for Active Control

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Outline

- ◆ Background on Active Control
- ◆ Linear Systems and Signal
- ◆ Digital Filters
- ◆ Adaptive Algorithms
- ◆ Some Practical Considerations





Active Control

- Add energy through a secondary source to cancel or dissipate energy from a primary or disturbance force
- Types of Active Control:
 - Active Noise Control (ANC) and Active Noise Reduction (ANR) headsets
 - Active Vibration Control (AVC)
 - Active Structural-Acoustic Control (ASAC)





Active Versus Passive Control

Passive

- ◆ (+) Works Well at High Frequencies (> 500 Hz)
- ◆ (+) No System Model Required
- ◆ (–) Typically heavier (CLD, Insulation, lead, etc.)
- ◆ Simple, but some knowledge of system/physics still required
- ◆ (+) Generally failsafe
- ◆ (+) Requires no power

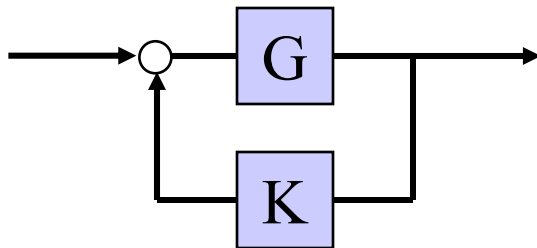
Active

- ◆ (+) Works Well at Low Frequencies (< 500 Hz)
- ◆ (–) System Model may be required
- ◆ (+) Weight Savings can often be gained
- ◆ (–) Increased Complexity & Cost (transducers, computation, electronics)
- ◆ (–) May fail
- ◆ (–) Requires power

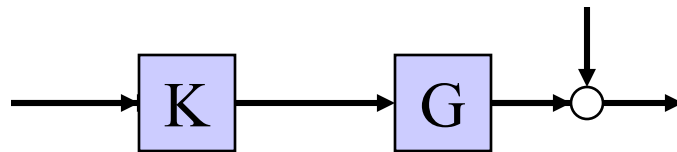




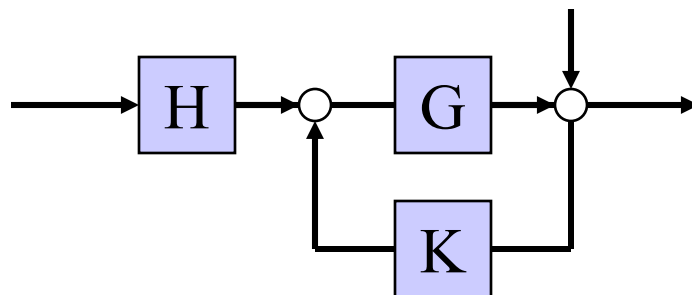
Control Topologies



- ◆ Feedback (FB) - Uses a measured system variable to create control signal



- ◆ Feedforward (FF) - Uses a coherent signal to create control signal



- ◆ "Hybrid" FB + FF Blends the best of both worlds





Feedback Versus Feedforward Control

Feedback

- ◆ (–) System may become unstable
- ◆ (+) Controls unknown disturbances
- ◆ (+) Better for random or impulsive disturbances
- ◆ (n) Typically fixed gain; adaptive possible, but harder
- ◆ (–) Performance often limited to modest increases in damping
- ◆ (–) Often requires a System ID or model of plant

Feedforward

- ◆ (+) System always Stable
- ◆ (–) Requires a priori, coherent reference signal
- ◆ (+) Excellent for harmonic and deterministic disturbances
- ◆ (+) Very amenable to adaptive methods
- ◆ (+) Complete attenuation possible (at point, plane waves)
- ◆ (–) Can also require System ID or model (for FXLMS)



Additional Features of Feedforward Control



- ◆ Most popular for adaptive control
- ◆ Potential for complete control of plane waves (duct) or at a point in space, since many signals are deterministic
- ◆ Global control in 2 or 3 dimensions is difficult
- ◆ Requires Coherent Reference Signal (deterministic or *a priori* knowledge)
- ◆ System is always stable, but adaptive algorithms can go unstable
- ◆ Represents the bulk of commercial applications:
 - (Active Headsets: Sony, NCT, BBN, aviation headsets);
 - Active mounts for vibration isolation (DC-9, car engines);
 - Active noise control (high end autos - sound system, and aircraft Saab 340b).

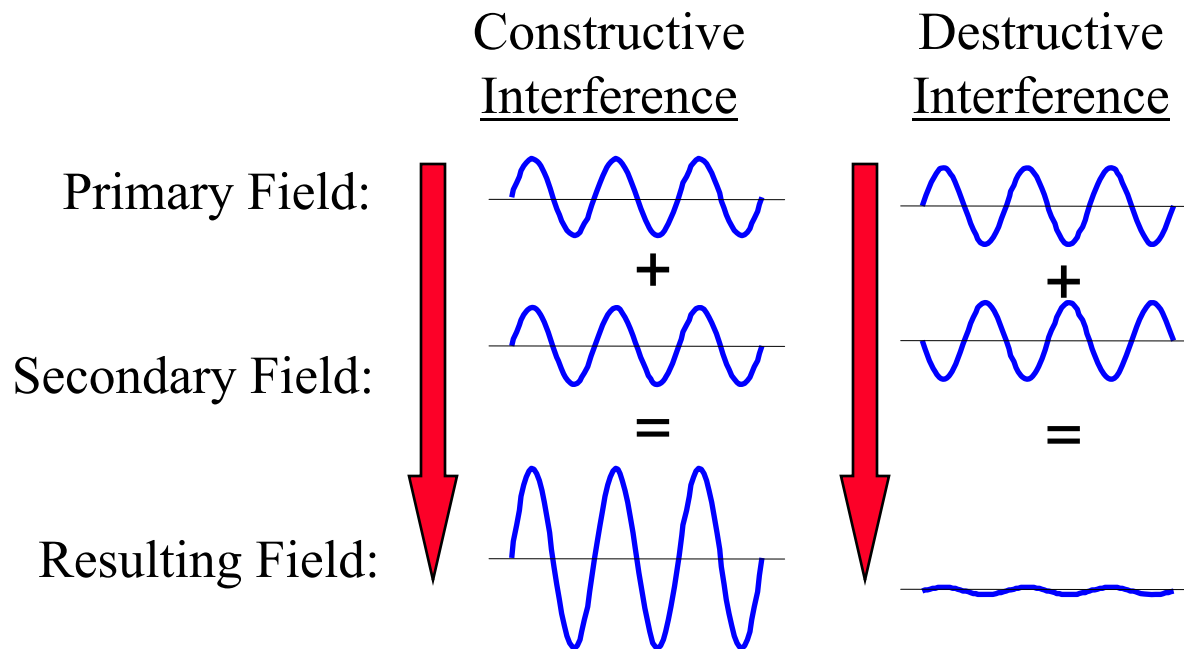


- ◆ Works by Superposition



Physics of Feedforward Noise Control – 1-d Noise Fields

Cancellation of a plane wave or 1-d field in an ∞ duct



Requirements:

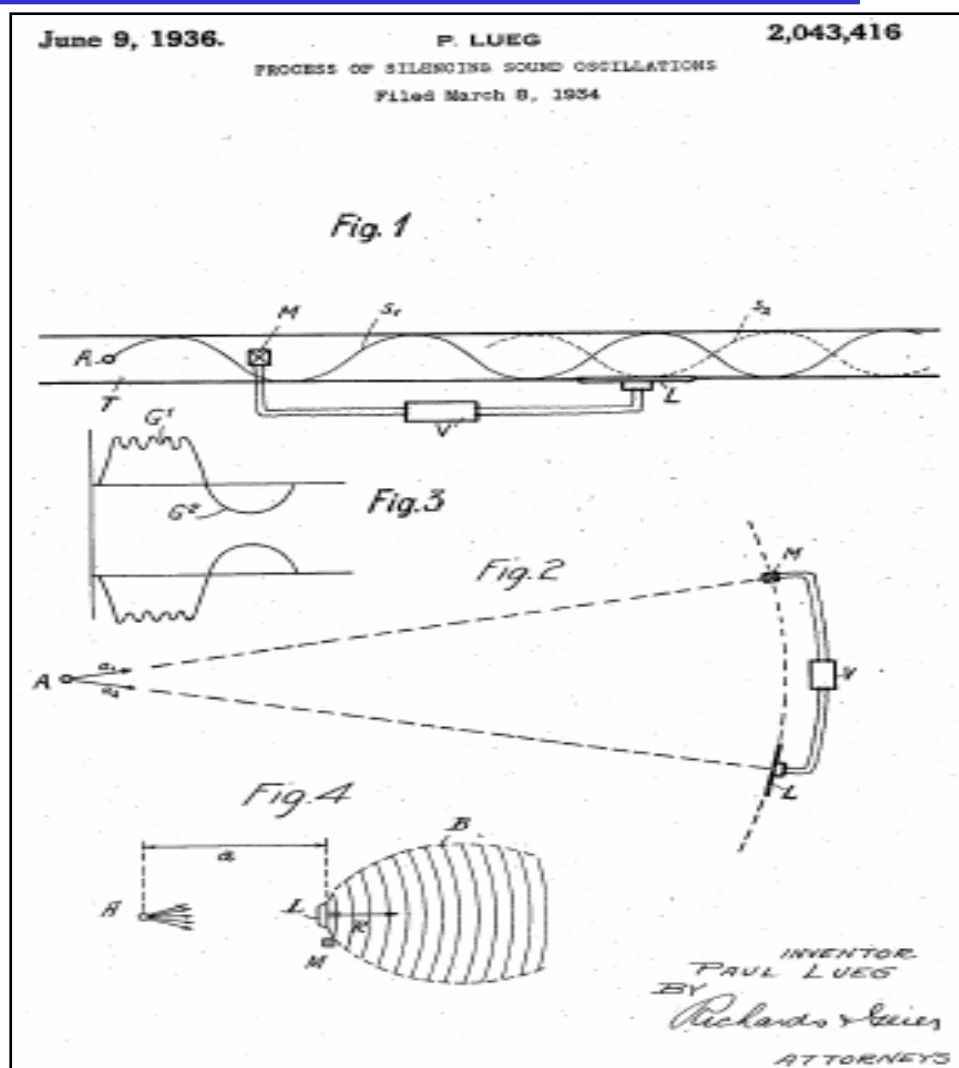
1. Need Coherent Reference Signal
2. Frequency must be below the cut-off frequency of the duct (1-d plane waves) roughly $c/(2*L)$, where L is the largest cross sectional dim.



First Active Control Patent 1936



Paul Leug (1936). Process
of Silencing Sound
Oscillations, US Patent
No. 2,043,416





Physics of Feedforward Noise Control – 2d Noise Fields

Primary Field

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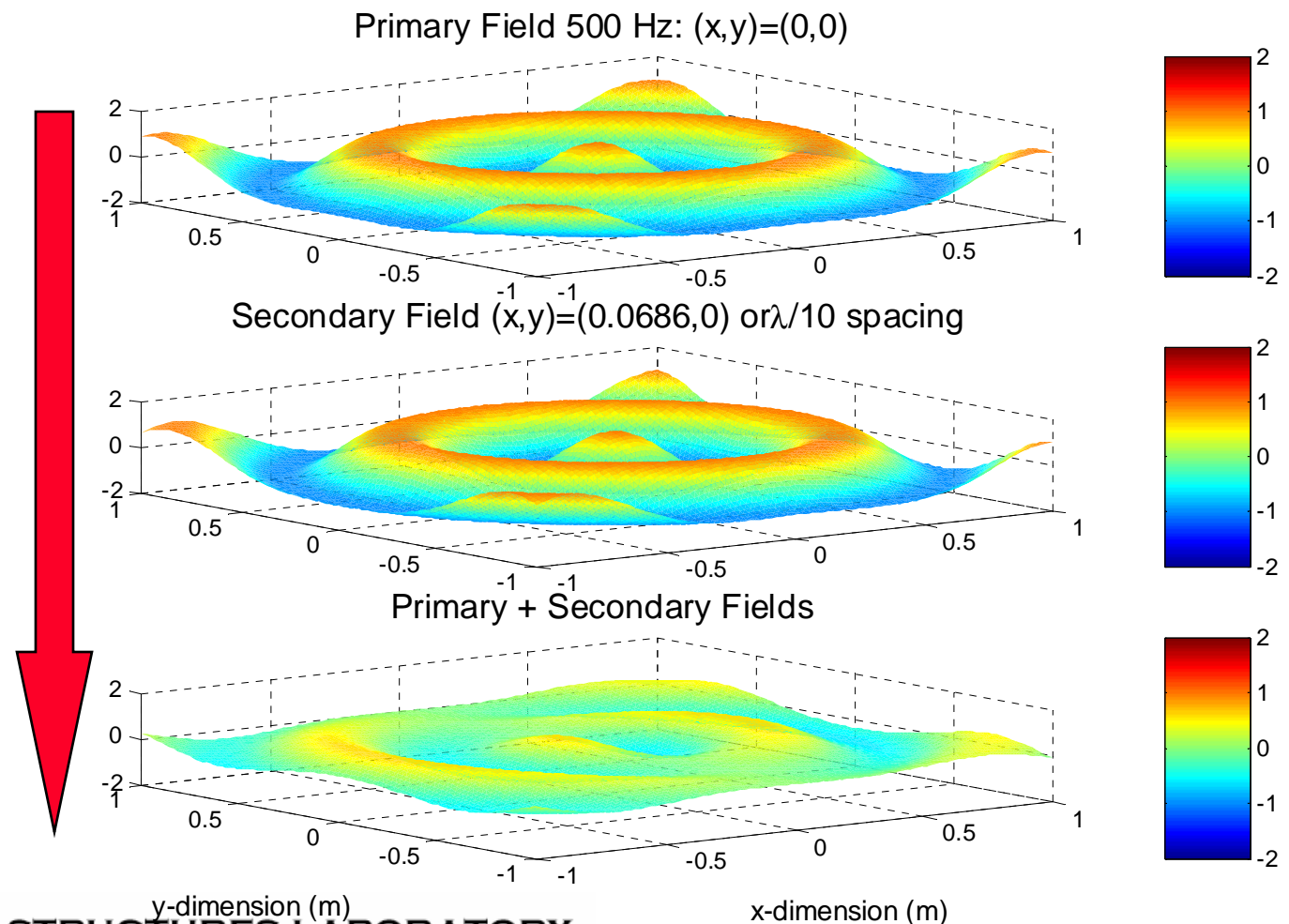
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Total Field



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Physics of Feedforward Noise Control – 2d Noise Fields



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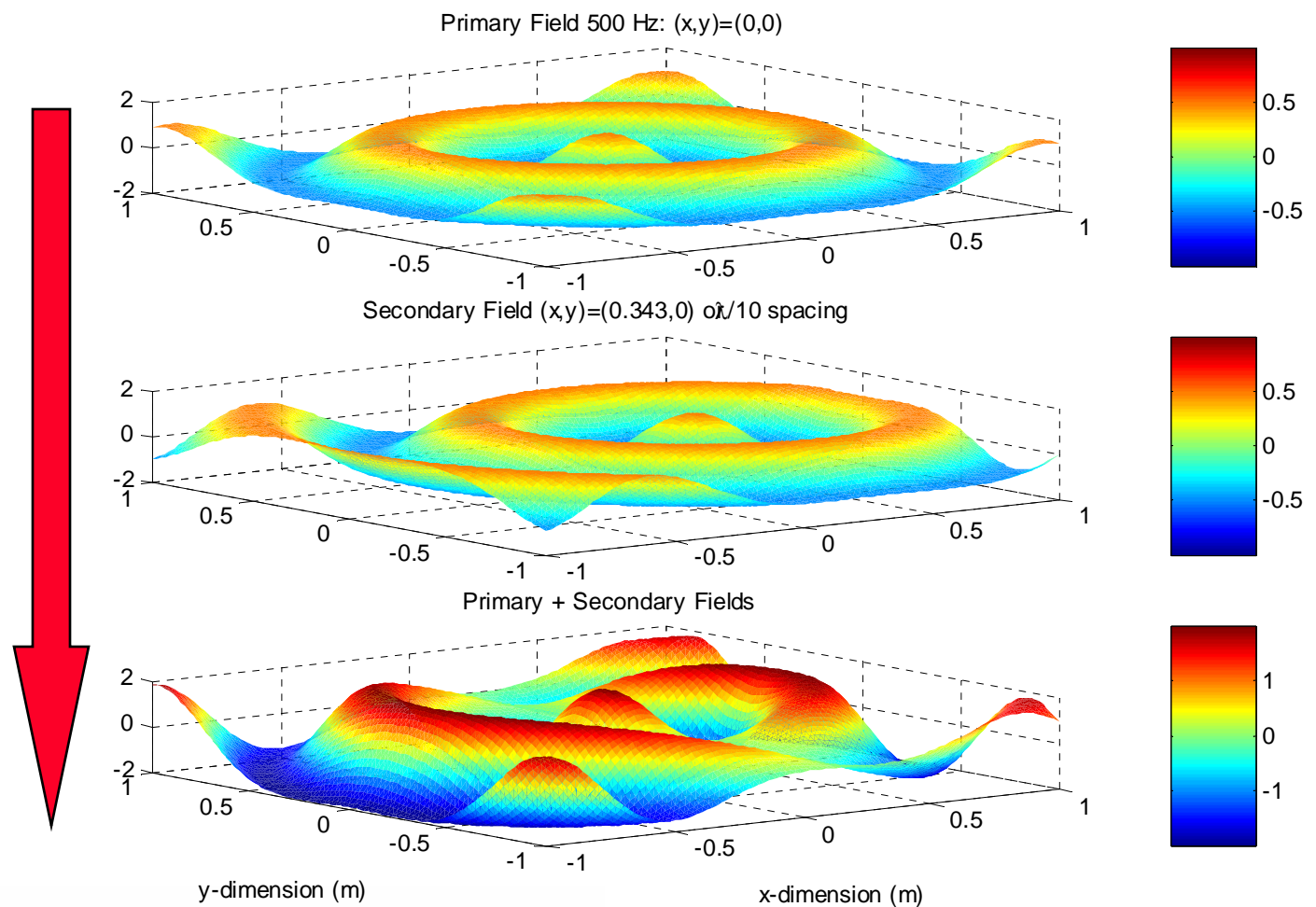
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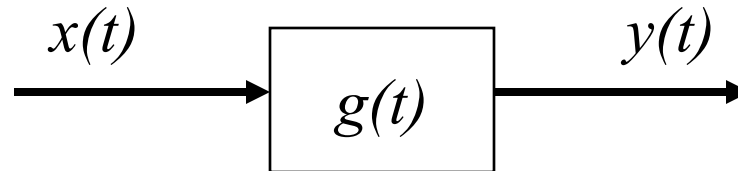


Feedforward Control Requirements

- ◆ Spacing between primary and secondary sources must be $\leq 1/3$ - $1/6$ of a wavelength apart for global control
- ◆ Thus, physics limits performance to low frequency (<500 Hz)
- ◆ Control of 3-d spaces become more difficult – at best, notch out zones of silence (e.g. around the head of a passenger)
- ◆ Coherent, *apriori* reference signal



Signals and Linear Systems: Time Domain



$x(t)$ – input signal

$g(t)$ – impulse response of linear system

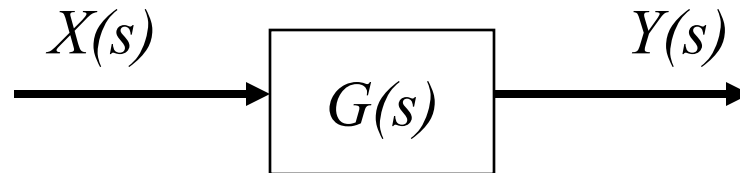
$y(t)$ – output of system

$$y(t) = g(t) * x(t) = \int_0^t g(t - \tau)h(\tau)d\tau \quad (\text{time domain})$$

Convolution integral – continuous time filtering process



Signals and Linear Systems: Laplace Domain



$$X(s) = L[x(t)] \quad \text{Laplace transform}$$

$$Y(s) = L[y(t)]$$

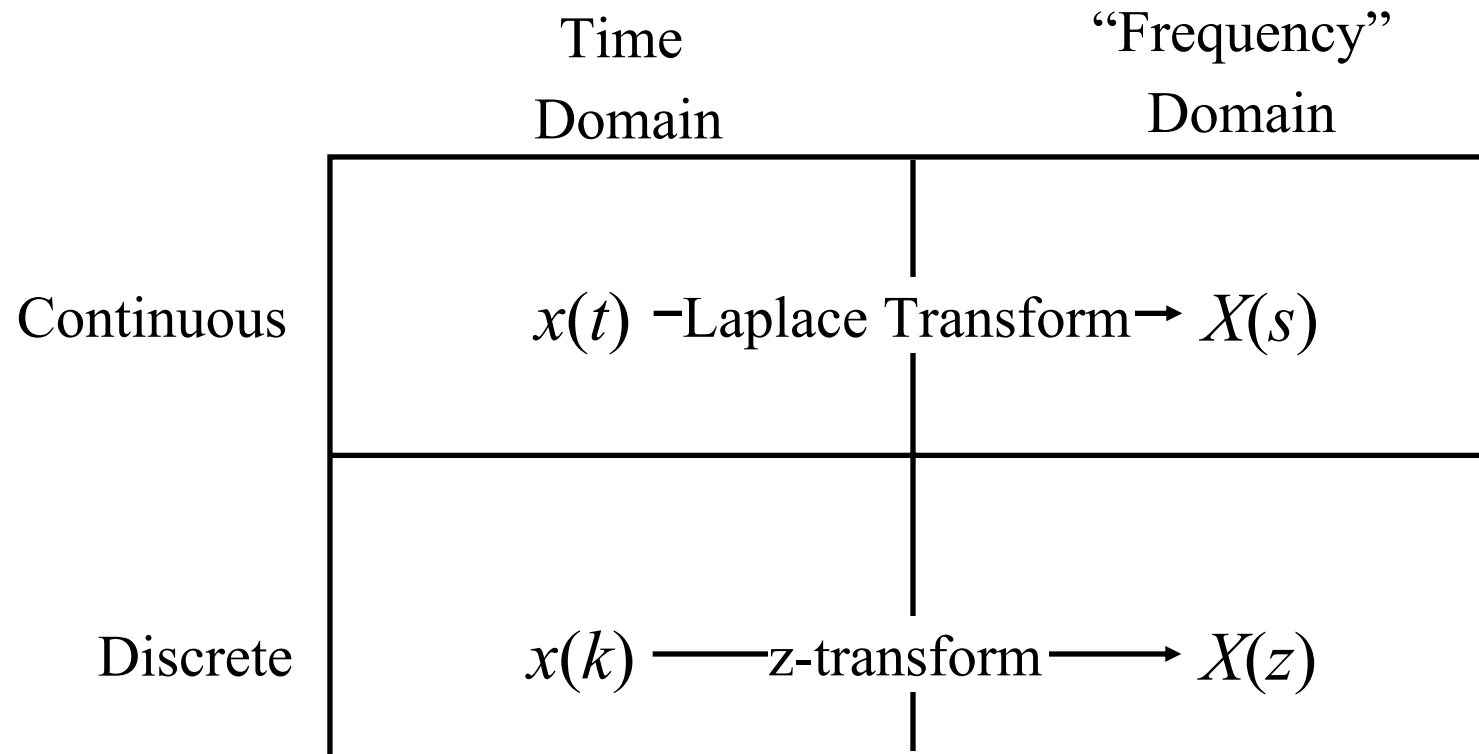
$$G(s) = \frac{\text{output}}{\text{input}} = \frac{Y(s)}{X(s)} \quad (\text{Transfer Function})$$

$$\text{or } G(s) = L[g(t)]$$

$$\text{Also } G(\omega) = \mathfrak{F}[g(t)] = G(s)|_{s=j\omega} \quad (\text{FRF})$$



Relationship between Discrete and Continuous Time Signals



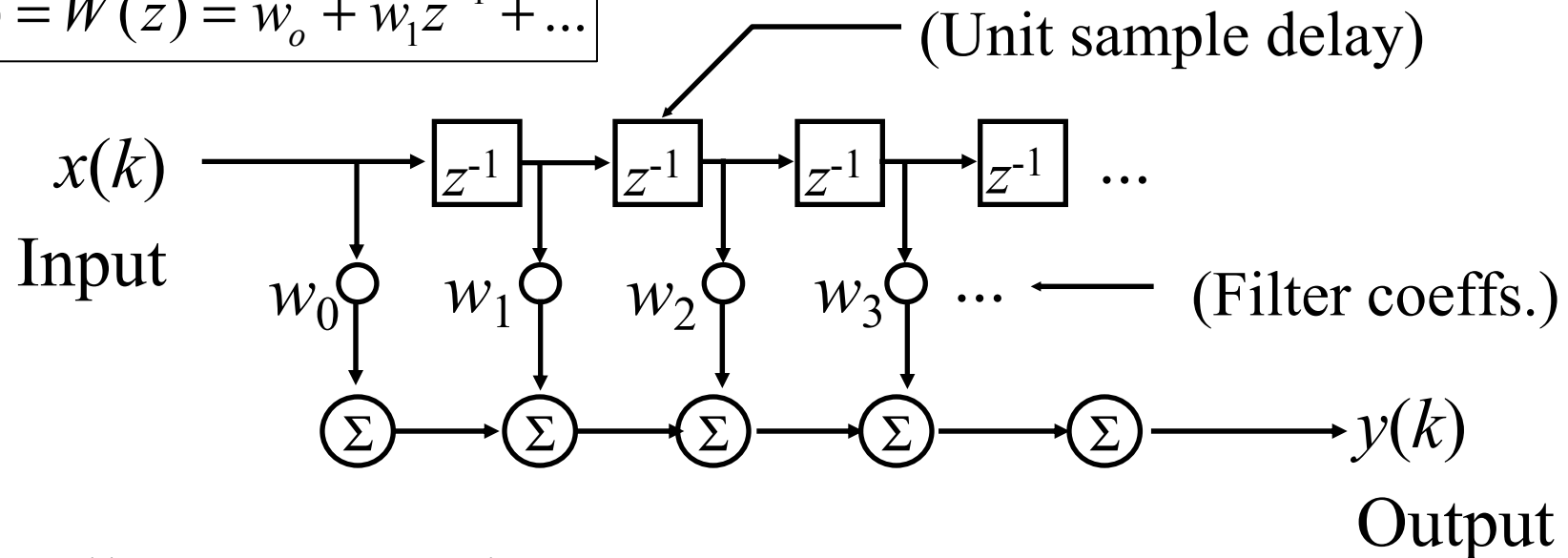
z-transform: $X(z) = Z[x(k)] = \sum_{k=0}^M x(k)z^{-k}$



Finite Impulse Response (FIR) Digital Filter a.k.a. Moving Average (MA)



$$G(z) = W(z) = w_0 + w_1 z^{-1} + \dots$$



Filter representations:

$$W(z) = w_0 + w_1 z^{-1} + w_2 z^{-2} + \dots \quad (\text{z-domain})$$

$$\{W\} = \{w_0 \ w_1 \ w_2 \ \dots\} \quad (\text{vector rep.})$$





FIRs, Cont.

Filter Output Representations:

$$y(k) = w(k) * x(k) \quad (\text{time-domain, convolution})$$

$$Y(z) = W(z)X(z) \quad (\text{z-domain, multiplication})$$

$$y(k) = \{W\} \{X\}^T \quad (\text{vector multiplication})$$

Unit Impulse Response, $h(k)$

$h(k) = w(k)$, Impulse response is finite and equal to the number of filter coefficients, $w(k)$





Frequency Response of FIR

- Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

$$\text{DFT}[k^{-1}] = e^{-j\omega T}$$

where:

k^{-1} is unit sample delay

T is sample period

ω is frequency of excitation

j is $(-1)^{1/2}$





Frequency Response, cont

- Example, 2-coefficient FIR:

$$W(z) = w_0 + w_1 z^{-1}$$

$$W(\omega) = w_0 + w_1 e^{-j\omega T}$$

$$= [w_0 + w_1 \cos(\omega T)] + j [w_1 \sin(\omega T)]$$

$$= \text{Re}[W(\omega)] + j \text{Im}[W(\omega)]$$

- From complex math:

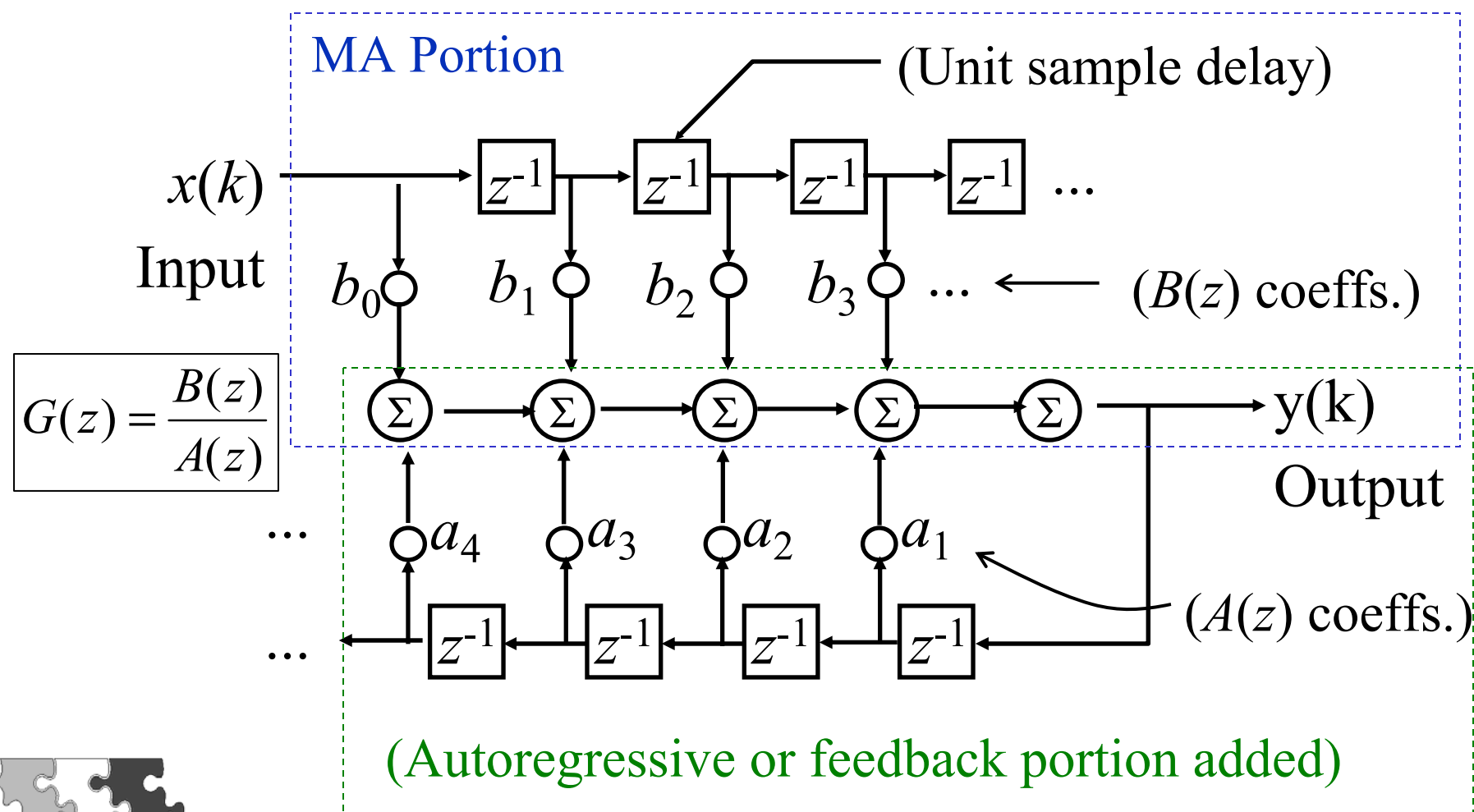
$$\text{Mag} = [\text{Re}^2 + \text{Im}^2]^{1/2}$$

$$\text{Phase} = -\tan^{-1}[\text{Im}/\text{Re}] \quad (\text{lin. phase} - \text{prop. delays})$$

- A 2-coefficient FIR filter can change the phase and magnitude at a single frequency!



Infinite Impulse Response (IIR) Digital Filter a.k.a. Auto-regressive, Moving Average (ARMA)





IIRs, cont.

Filter, $W(z)$

$$W(z) = \frac{B(z)}{A(z)}$$

$$W(z) = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + b_2 z^{-2} + \dots + b_m z^{-m}}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2} + \dots + a_n z^{-n}}$$

Notes

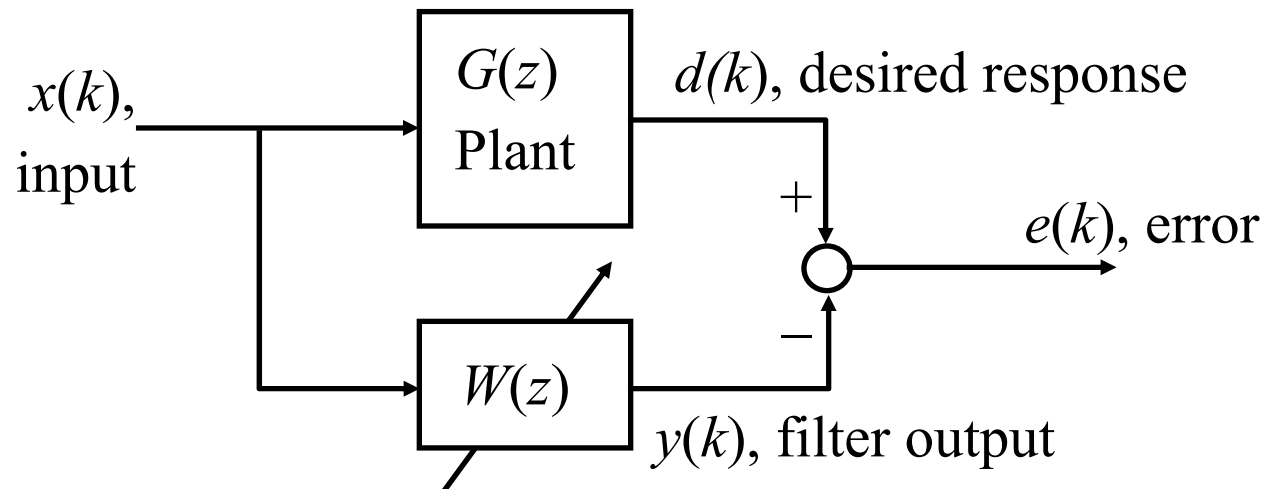
- Poles introduce stability requirement
- Impulse response, $h(k)$ is infinite in duration due to FB
- An infinite length FIR has an infinite impulse response, but numerical effects limit the practical length to a few hundred coefficients
- Most adaptive feedforward control systems use FIRs since they are inherently stable



Example: Finding the Optimal Filter Solution, W_{opt}



System Identification Problem:



As $e(k) \rightarrow 0$, $W(z) \rightarrow G(z)$

$$e(k) = d(k) - y(k)$$

$$e(k) = d(k) - w(k) * x(k) = d(k) - \{W\} \{X\}^T$$



Finding the Optimal Filter Solution, W_{opt} , cont.



Consider:

- The filter output, $y(k) = \{X\} \{W\}^T$, is linear combination of the filter weight vector $\{W\}$
- Assuming stationarity, the error is characterized statistically
- A “cost function from the mean-square error (MSE) as:

$$C = E[e(k)^2]$$

where

$E[\cdot]$ represents the expected value, which for N samples is:

$$E[e(k)^2] = \sum_{k=1}^N e(k)^2$$



Finding the Optimal Filter Solution, W_{opt} , cont.



- The MSE, $C = E[(d(k) - \{X\} \{W\}^T)^2]$, is a quadratic function of the filter weights, $\{W\}$
- There is a unique minimum of C corresponding to $W_{opt}(k)$
- The minimum is found through differentiation:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial \{W\}} = \{0\}$$

- Solve the above equation for $\{W\}_{opt}$
- In real life, we don't have the luxury of the equation for C



Finding the Optimal Filter Solution, W_{opt} , cont.



$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial \{W\}} = \frac{\partial E \left[\left(d(k) - \{W\} \{x\}^T \right)^2 \right]}{\partial \{W\}} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial \{W\}} = 2E \left[- \left(d(k) \{X\}^T \right) + \{W\} \{X\}^T \{X\} \right] = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial \{W\}} = -2\{P\} + 2\{W\}[R] = \{0\} \quad (\text{gradient})$$

Solving for $\{W_{\text{opt}}\}$, $\boxed{\{W_{\text{opt}}\} = [R]^{-1} \{P\}}$

- $[R]$ is the input autocorrelation matrix (symmetric Toeplitz, positive definite)
- $\{P\}$ is the cross correlation vector

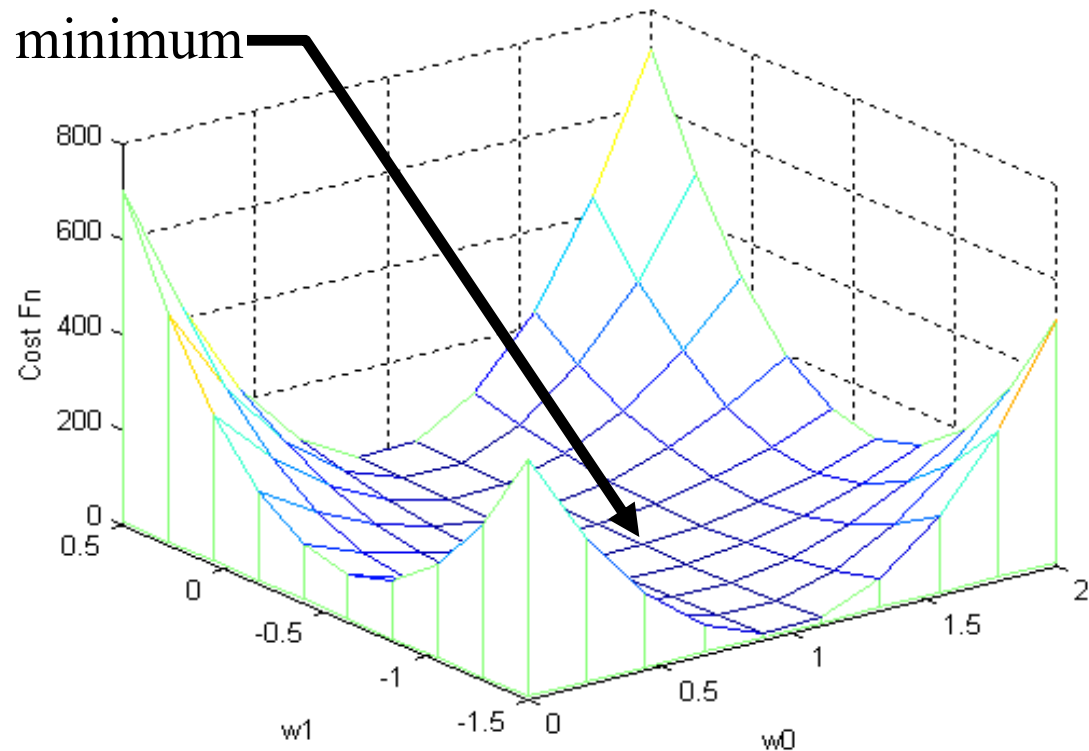




Performance or Error Surface

A 2-Coefficient FIR Filter Perf. Surf. is 3-d:

$\{W_{opt}\}$ is at the minimum



Adaptive algorithms
search along this surface



Adaptive Minimization Methods (Finding $\{W_{\text{opt}}\}$)



1. Random Search
2. Adaptive Newton's Method
3. Time Averaged Gradient (TAG)
4. RLS
5. Steepest Descent
6. Least Mean Square (LMS)
7. Variations of LMS (FXLMS, PC-LMS)

1. Random Search

- Perturb each filter coefficient, w_i , and see if the measured cost, $C(\{W\}) = E[e(k)^2]$, increases or decreases
- If $C(\{W\})$ decreases, keep the change
- Remember the direction of perturbation and the result



Adaptive Minimization Methods, cont.



2. Discrete form of Newton's Method

$$w_i(k+1) = w_i(k) - \frac{1}{2} [R]^{-1} C'(k)$$
$$w_i(k+1) = w_i(k) - \frac{C'(k)}{C''(k)}$$

- One Iteration to the Optimal Solution
- Don't know $C(k)$ explicitly, so must estimate $C'(k)$ and $C''(k)$ in practice
- Could compute C' and C'' from expected value definitions, but they are noisy
- Must ensure that C'' is always positive-valued
- Forms the basis of Time Averaged Gradient (TAG) algorithm



Adaptive Minimization Methods, cont.



3. Time Averaged Gradient (TAG)

$$w_i(k+1) = w_i(k) - \mu \frac{\delta w_i [C(w_i + \delta w_i) - C(w_i - \delta w_i)]}{2[C(w_i + \delta w_i) - 2C(w_i) + C(w_i - \delta w_i)]}$$

- Measure cost function, C , at three points:

$$\{w_i - \delta w_i, \quad w_i, \quad w_i + \delta w_i\}$$

- μ controls convergence rate and stability
- δw_i must be large enough for accuracy but small enough not to excessively excite the plant
- This is an approximation to Newton's Method
- No System ID required!
- Typically much slower to converge though - particularly for MIMO



Adaptive Minimization Methods, cont.



Recursive Least Squares (RLS)

- ◆ Complex
- ◆ Fast Convergence
- ◆ Computational intensive (L^2 calculations for filter with L coefficients)



Adaptive Minimization Methods, cont.



5. Steepest Descent

$$w_i(k+1) = w_i(k) - \frac{\mu}{2} \frac{\partial C(k)}{\partial W}$$

$$\{W\}(k+1) = \{W\}(k) - \mu([R]\{W\}(k) - \{P\})$$

$$\{W\}(k+1) = ([I] - \mu[R])\{W\}(k) - \mu\{P\}$$

- μ is again a learning rate parameter that controls convergence rate and stability of the adaptive algorithm
- March down the gradient towards the optimal solution $\{W_{opt}\}$



Adaptive Minimization Methods, cont.



6. LMS Algorithm

$$w_i(k+1) = w_i(k) - 2\mu e(k)x(k)$$

- This is actually Steepest Decent with a stochastic approximation to the gradient
- μ controls convergence rate and stability
- $0 < \mu < 2/\lambda_{\max}$, λ_{\max} is max eig.value of $[R]$
- March down the gradient (in a very noisy manner) towards the optimal solution $\{W_{opt}\}$
- Converges (“noisily”) to the optimal Wiener filter solution
- Excess MSE as a result of noise
- Very simple and robust





Adaptive Control Using PC-LMS

7. Filter- x LMS (FXLMS) Algorithm for System Control:

- Will examine in more detail soon
- The plant dynamics in the control path, $G_c(z)$, affect weight update

$$w_i(k+1) = w_i(k) + \mu 2e(k)x_{fx}(k)$$

$$x_{fx}(k) = g_c(k) * x(k)$$

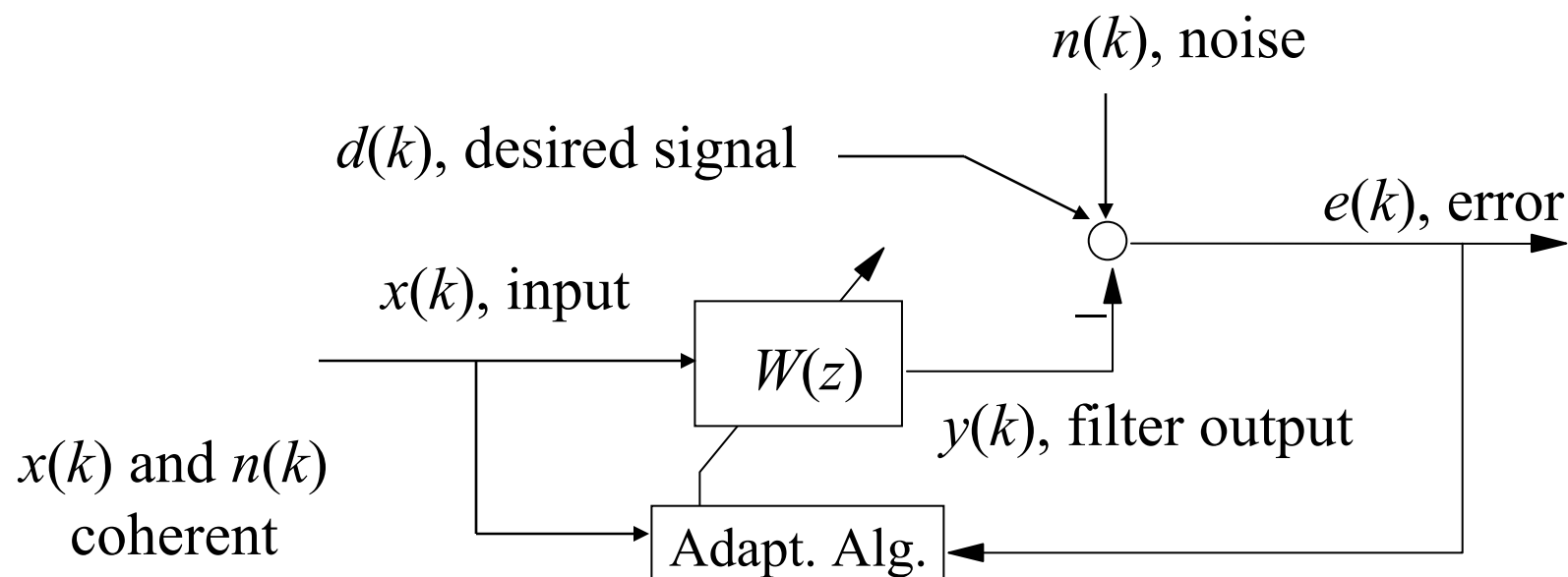
- Sign change in update
- $x_{fx}(k)$ is the “Filtered- x ” (filtered ref.) signal



Uses for Adaptive Signal Processing, cont.



Disturbance/Echo cancellation



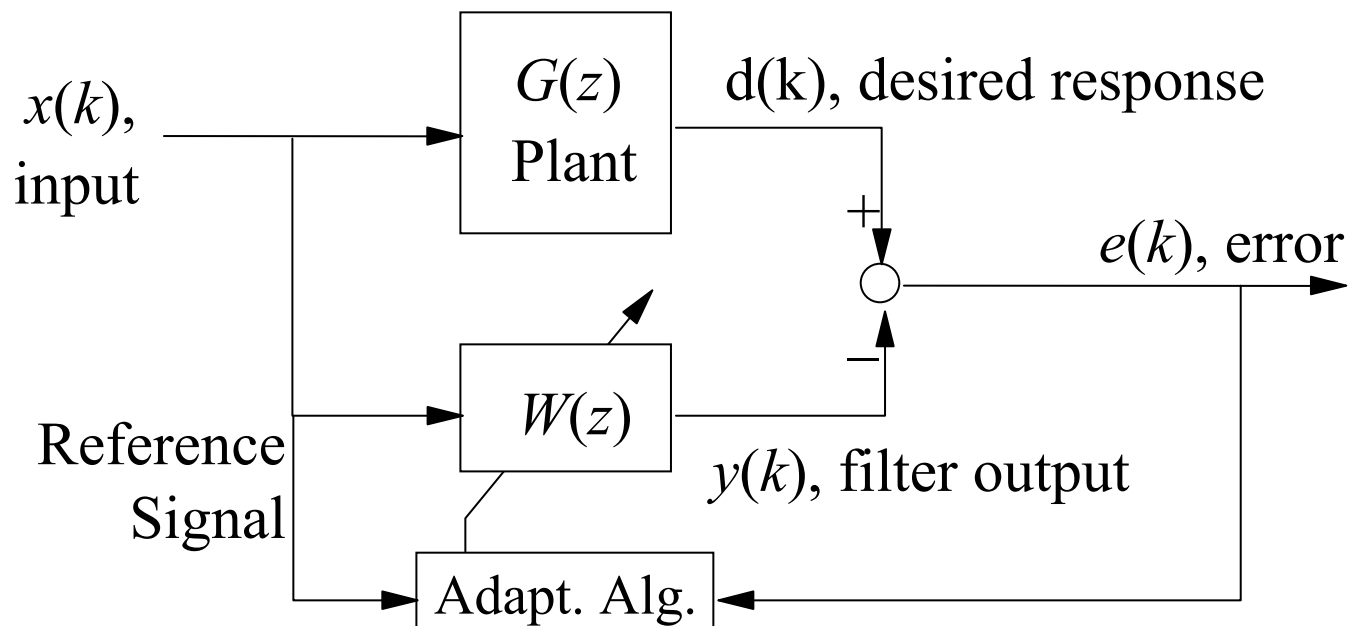
As minimize $e(k)$, $e(k) \rightarrow d(k)$



Uses for Adaptive Signal Processing, cont.



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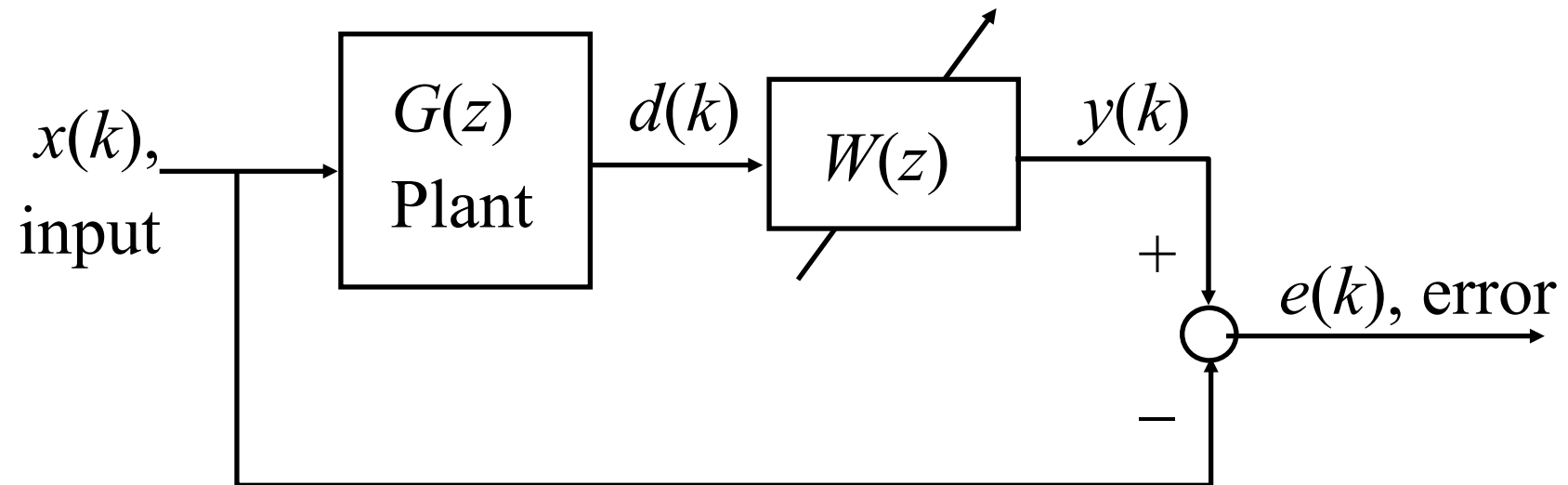
$$\text{As } e(k) \rightarrow 0, \quad W(z) \rightarrow W_{opt}(z) = G(z)$$





Uses for Adaptive Signal Processing, cont.

Inverse Modeling:



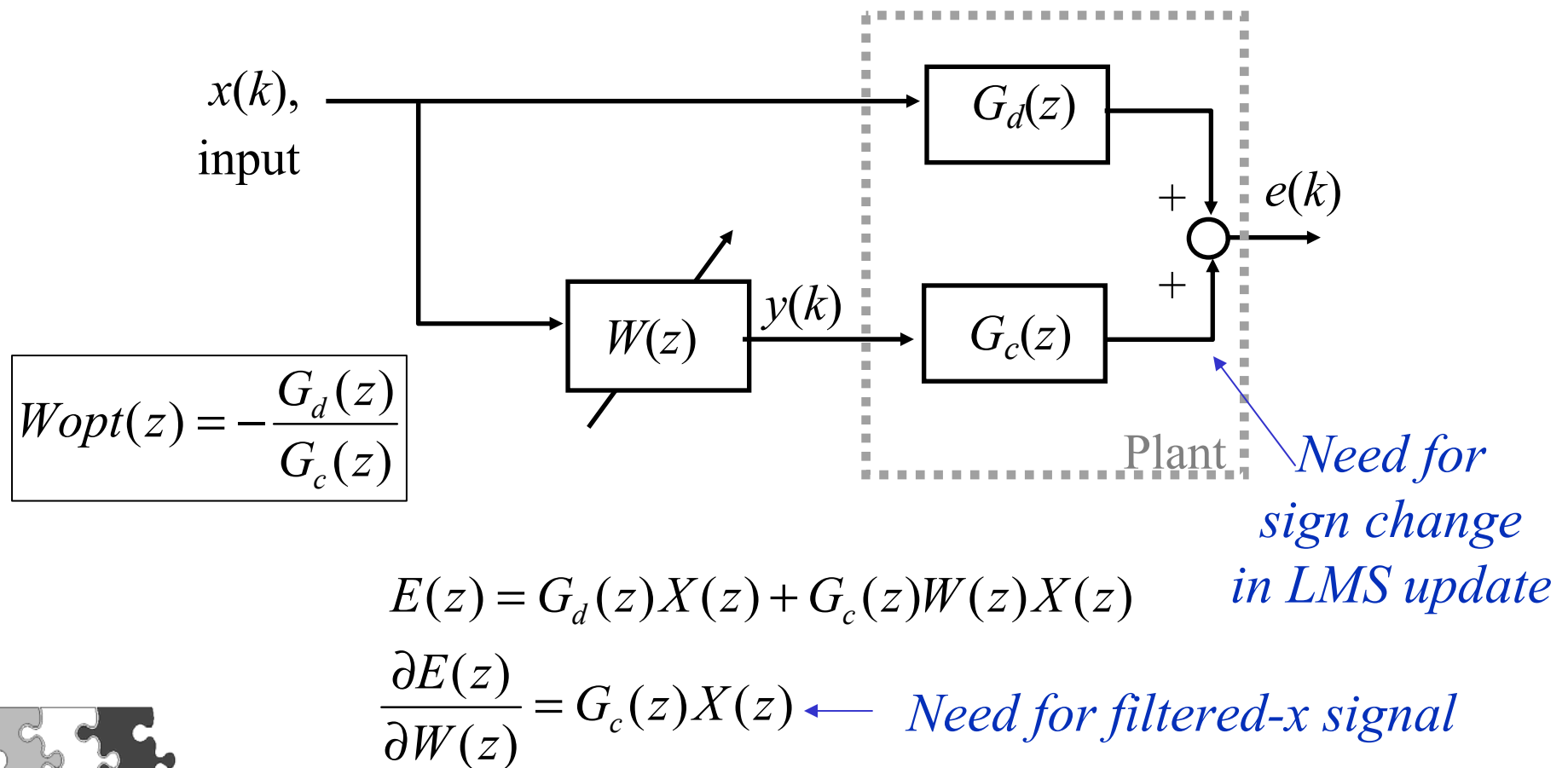
$$\text{As } e(k) \rightarrow 0, \quad W(z) \rightarrow W_{opt}(z) = G(z)^{-1}$$





Adaptive Control Using FX-LMS

FXLMS Algorithm for Adaptive Control:





Adaptive Control Using FXLMS, cont.

- LMS update equation becomes:

$$w_i(k+1) = w_i(k) + \mu 2e(k)x_{fx}(k)$$

where $x_{fx}(k) = g_c(k) * x(k)$ is the so-called "filtered- x " signal

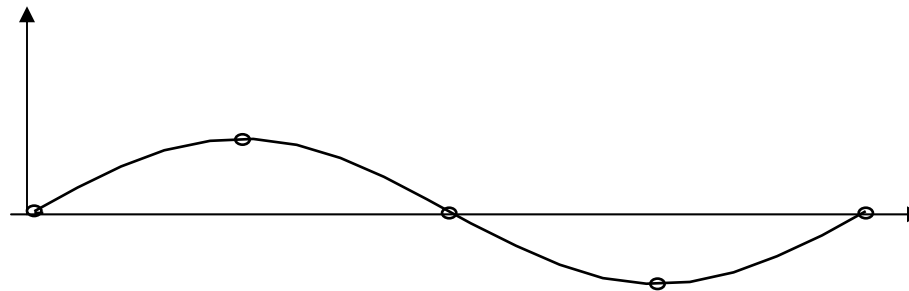
- Note the gradient based on control path transfer function, $G_c(z)$
- Therefore a model or system ID (SID) of the control path is required to implement
- SID can be *a priori*, or simultaneous with control
- Model dependent, but really only need the correct phase of the $G_c(z)$ path





Controlling Harmonic Signals

- ◆ A 2-coefficient FIR filter can change the magnitude and phase of a sine wave
- ◆ If 4x oversampling or separate sine and cosine ref. signals are used, then the two filter coeffs are orthogonal



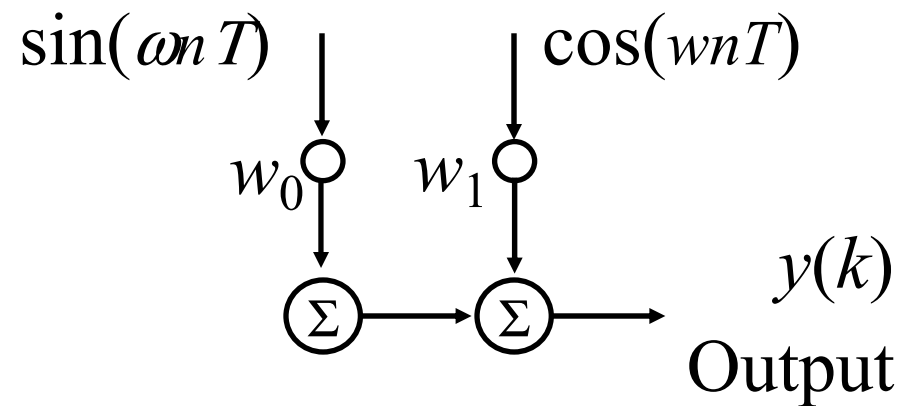
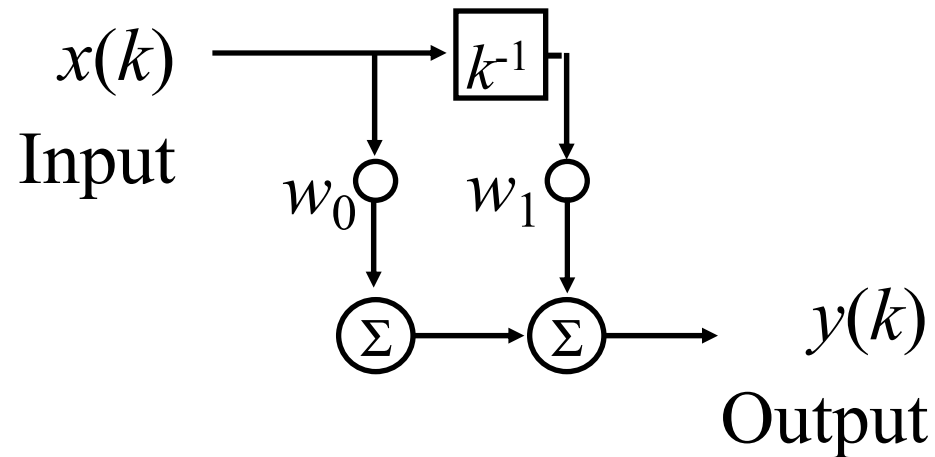
- ◆ Can use a Hilbert filter to perform quadrature on a signal

$$A \cos(\omega t) + B \sin(\omega t) = M \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$





Orthogonal filter





Controlling Multiple Frequencies

- Two distinct ways to perform multi-frequency control:
 - (a) with large FIR filters or
 - (b) with parallel 2-coefficient filters

(a) Large FIR filters (easier but not as good)

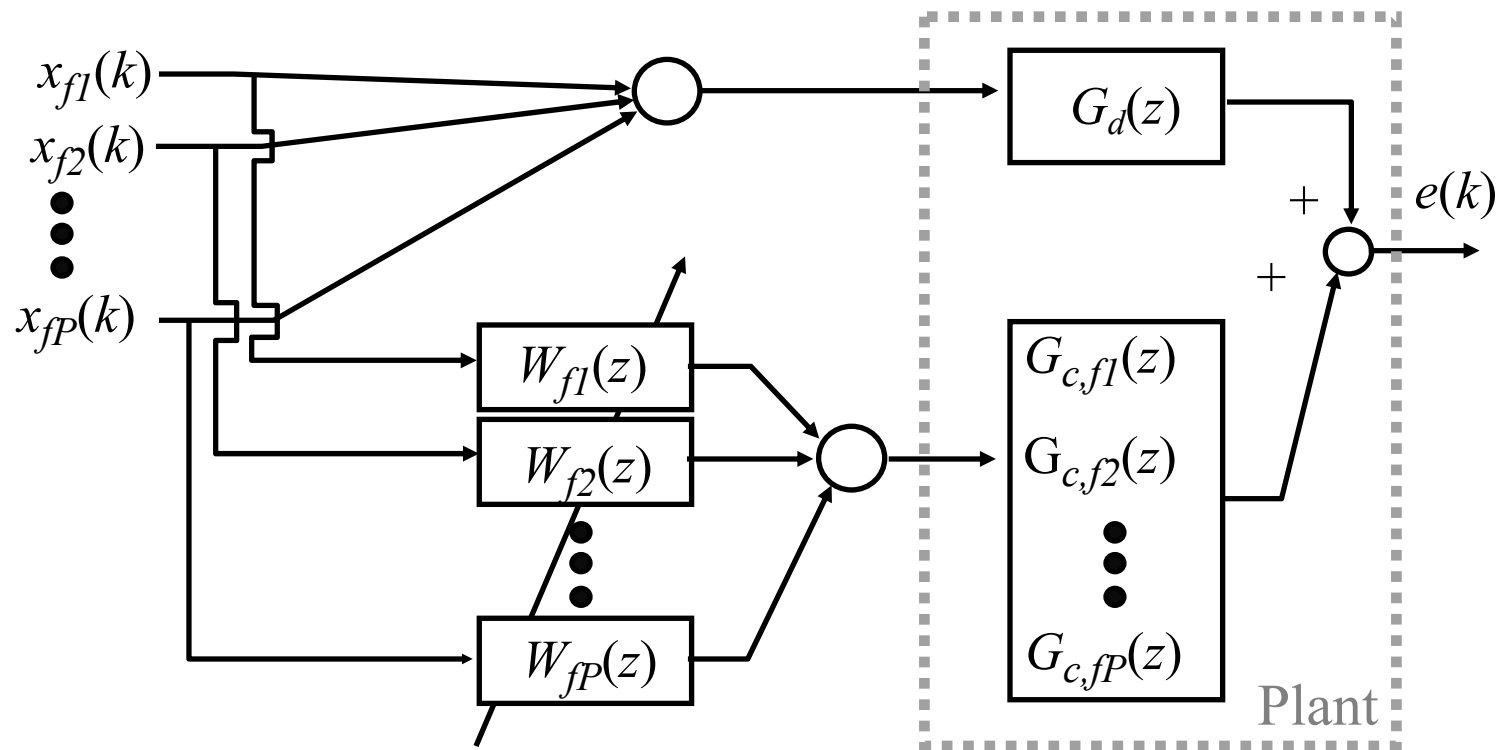
- Use an FIR filter having twice the number of coefficients as there are frequencies
- Careful! This only works for higher-harmonic control when the sampling rate is twice the frequency of the highest harmonic (bad idea - 4x oversampling is ideal)
- Otherwise, there are Time-varying parts to the LMS solution which will oscillate about the Wiener solution
- Use more filter coefficients to compensate
- Sum all frequencies to make the reference signal



Multi-frequency Adaptive Control Using FX-LMS, cont.



Using P -Parallel 2-Coefficient FIR filters (Best way)



(Controlling P harmonics of the fundamental frequency)

Controlling Broadband (Random) Signals

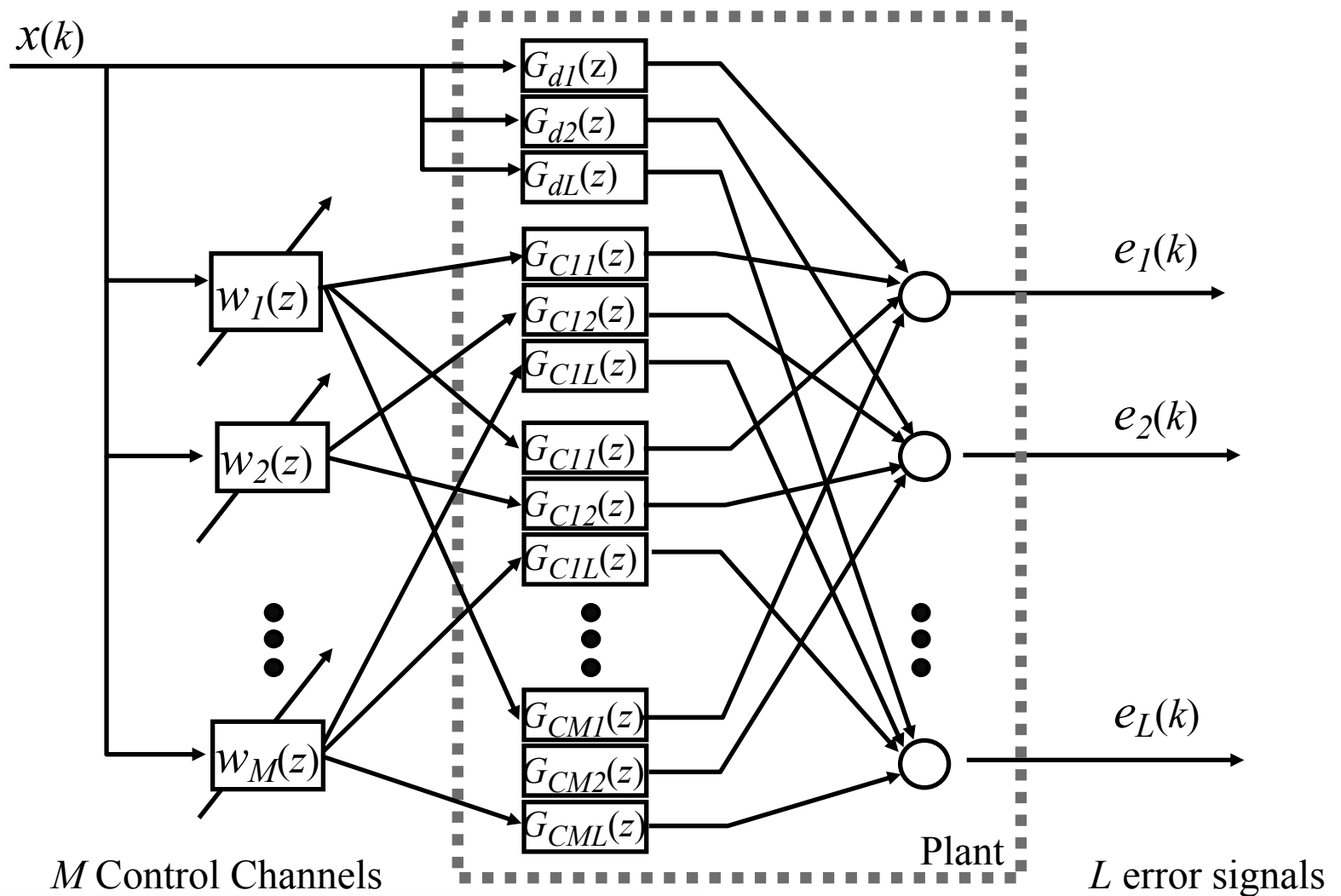


- Use a large (20-200 coefficient) FIR filter for the compensator, $W(z)$
- If the plant is non-reverberant (e.g. high-damping, acoustic free-field, etc.) an FIR can be used to model $G_c(z)$ since it will essentially be a pure delay
- For reverberant systems, an IIR is required to model the control path, $G_c(z)$
- May require IIR for control filter
- The reference signal must be known ahead of time (i.e. the Wiener solution must be “causal”)
- Otherwise, control is limited to the deterministic portion of the plant response
- Can also get transient control (training an issue)





Multichannel FX-LMS Control



M Control Channels

Plant

L error signals



Multichannel FX-LMS, cont.

- Define $C = E[e_1(k)^2 + e_2(k)^2 + \dots + e_L(k)^2]$
- $L \geq M$, otherwise an overdetermined solution results
- Choose L (number of error sensors) very large, especially for acoustic control in order to get representative energy of system
- Must identify $L \cdot M$ control path transfer functions
- Weight update for each of the M filters depends on all L error signals and L filtered- x signals as

$$w_i(k+1) = w_i(k) - 2\mu \sum_{j=1}^L e_j(k) x(k) * g_{c,ij}(k), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, M$$





Principle Component LMS (PCLMS)

Principal Component LMS (PC-LMS) Algorithm for Control:

- Perform SVD to decouple each control channel

$$G_c = V S U^H$$

- Compute control signals and update compensator, $v(k)$, in PC's and convert back to physical coordinates before sending out of dig. sig. proc. (DSP) board

$$G_c = U S V^H \quad (\text{SVD})$$

$$\zeta(k) = U^H e(k) \quad (\text{PC - error})$$

$$v(k) = V^H w(k) \quad (\text{PC-filter coefficient})$$



Adaptive Control Using PC-LMS, cont.



- Limited to single and multifrequency control, since $G_c(z)$ is represented as a matrix of complex numbers at each frequency
- After SVD, find 2-coefficient FIR filters for V and U^H
- Less computationally intensive than FXLMS
- Can easily incorporate control effort penalties into the weight update (like LQR control)



Obtaining the Coherent Reference Signal



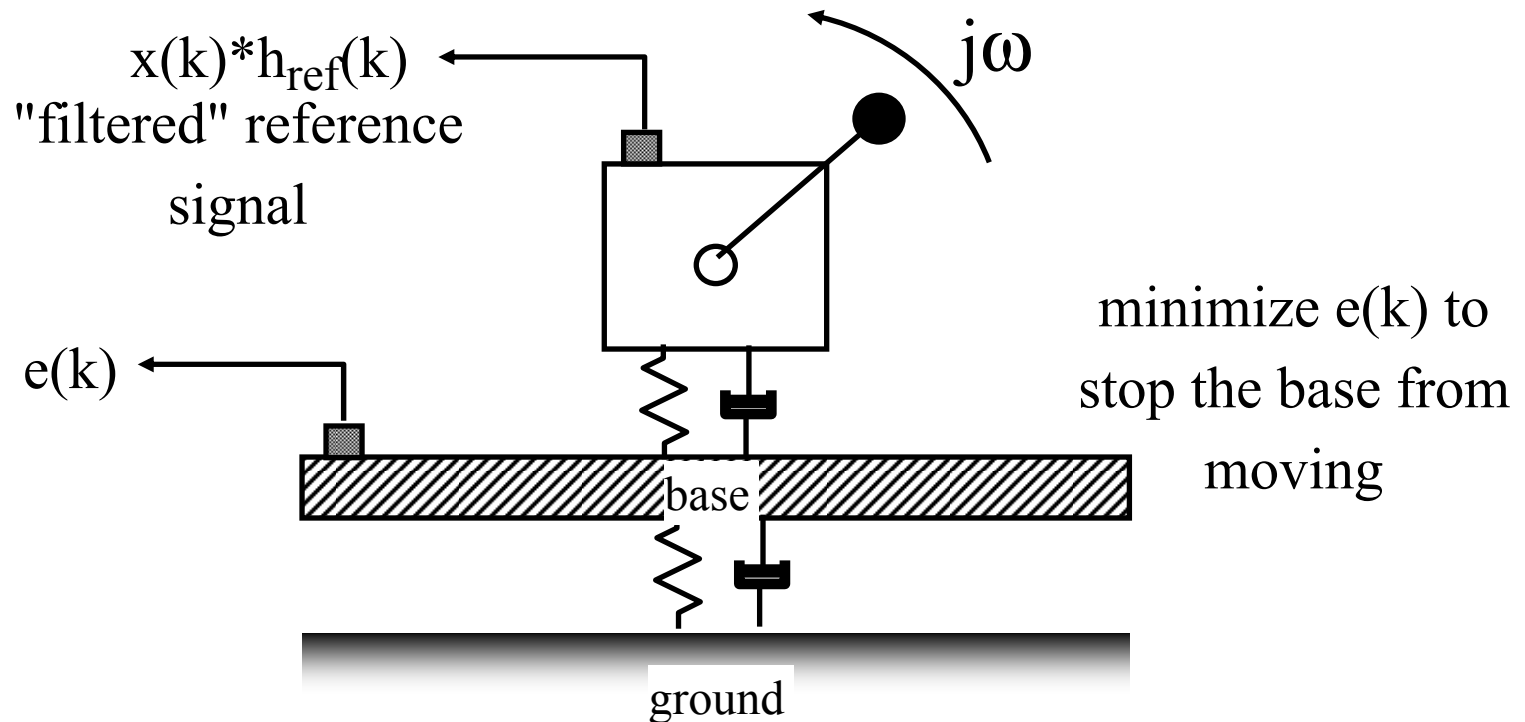
- Use optical encoded disk
- Tachometer
- Directional mics (duct)
 - FB removal techniques (filtering, phase-locked loop devices)
 - Sometimes reference is filtered by other dynamics, but still coherent with disturbance
 - Internally generate deterministic signals
 - Use an “upstream” sensor with little feedback



Obtaining the Coherent Reference Signal



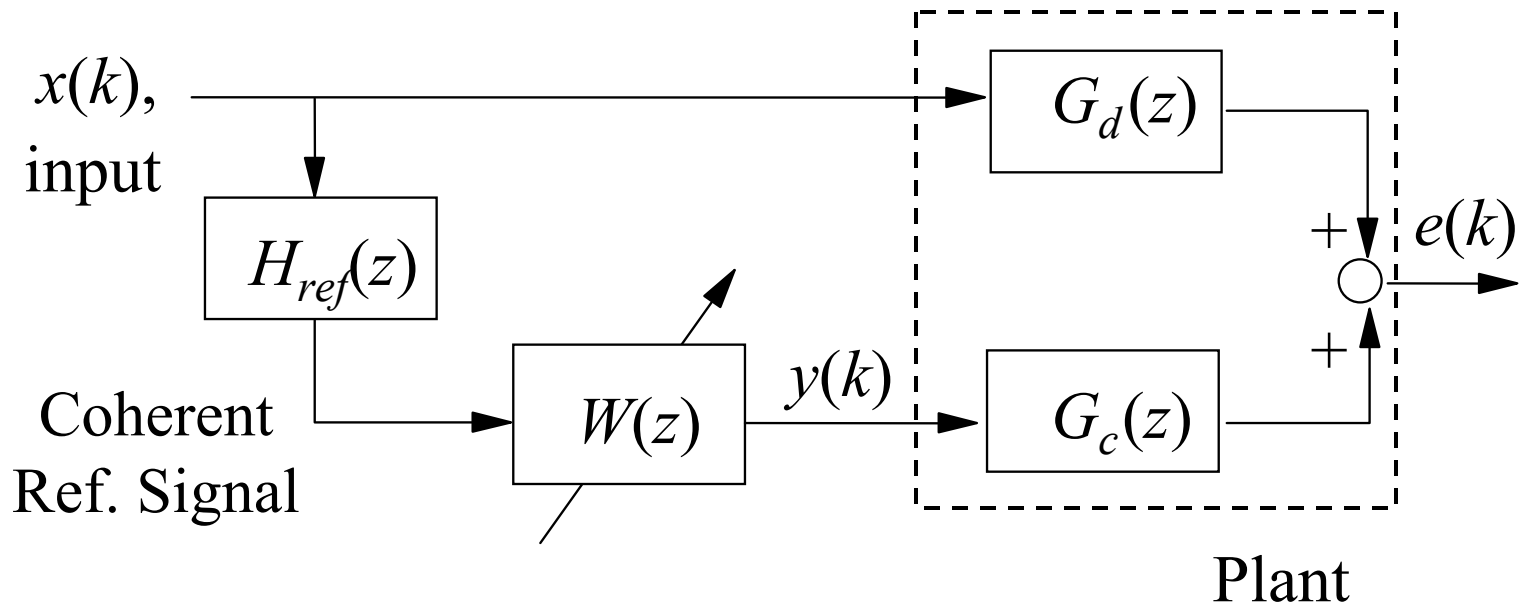
Active Vibration Isolation Problem:





Uses for Adaptive Signal Processing, cont.

Feedforward System Control with filtered ref. sig.



$$\text{As } e(k) \rightarrow 0, W(z) \rightarrow W_{opt}(z) = \frac{G_d(z)}{H_{ref}(z)G_c(z)}$$

- Requires knowledge of $G_c(z)$ to update adaptive filter, $W(z)$





Other Issues for Active Control

- ◆ Stability of adaptive algorithms
- ◆ Robust stability of controlled plant
- ◆ Robust performance and reliability
- ◆ Cost/benefit
- ◆ Take advantage of existing infrastructure (e.g. car audio systems)?
- ◆ Control is often only as good as your model and your algorithm and your transducers and ...

