



COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

Doppler Shift Estimation

Homework Results

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Homework Tasks

HW8)

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Estimation of radial velocities / Doppler shift

1) Estimate the Doppler shift for all the 5 given RAW data files by using

a) moments method, e.g. adopting script 24a_read_rawdata_windMom

b) apply a fitting routine to estimate the essential parameters by assuming a gaussian distribution

parameters to compare for both methods:

- amplitude
- Doppler shift
- spectral width

As usual provide meaningful plots, a bit of discussion and conclusions.

1 Introduction

For this, the the spectral representation of the received data is first computed using the FFT. Under the assumption that the absolute value of the received spectrum shows a gaussian shape, parameters of this shape (amplitude, mean, standard deviation) are estimated using two different methods. One is the Method of Moments and the other a curve fitting approach. The means of these distributions is then taken to be the doppler shifts.

1.1 Method of Moments

The Method of Moments (MoM) is a mathematical technique for evaluating and describing random processes such as noise or signal waveforms. It entails calculating multiple statistical moments of the random process in order to get insight into its characteristics such as form, distribution and various other aspects. The MoM approach allows us to compare and study various random processes based on their moments. The moments of a random process are calculated by taking weighted averages of the signal levels at distinct time instants. The instant order determines the weighting components. The moment order specifies the degree to which the signal values are raised during the averaging process.

1.2 Curve Fitting

To fit the doppler spectrum to a normal/gaussian/bell curve shape, first the noise level is calculated as the mean value of the averaged spectrum of the first five range gates and then subtracted from all spectra. Then, using the python function `scipy.optimize.curve_fit` with a gaussian model, the parameters amplitude, mean (doppler shift) and standard deviation are determined.

2 Results

For each data file (0...4), the absolute value of the combined receiver spectrum versus doppler frequency and range is shown as a colorplot for each of the two methods.

Also, for each data file, the spectrum of range gate number 35 is shown (combined receivers) together with both of the fittings from `scipy.optimize.curve_fit` and the method of moments.

A lot of these plots have missing parameter values along the range for those ranges where no fit could be determined due some issue with NaN values in the width calculation using the method of moments.

There are some with outlier values of the doppler shift. An analysis of the amplitude/power values at these points shows that the amplitude / SNR is too low for them to be considered as a correct result. In any case, one has to look at the combination of each of the graphs to make sense of them and judge whether a result is suitable for further considerations.

Comparing both methods, one finds that usually both follow a similar trajectory. Juding from the single-range-gate figures, the curve fitting approach seems to be more accurately estimating the doppler shift and amplitude. But the attractiveness of the moments-method might lie in the simplistic calculation approach which might yield better performance.

2.1 File 1

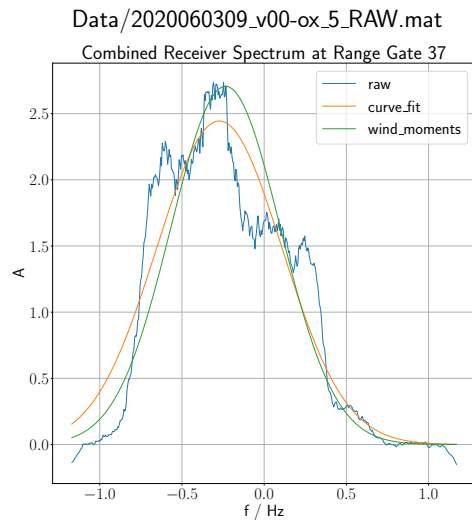


Figure 1

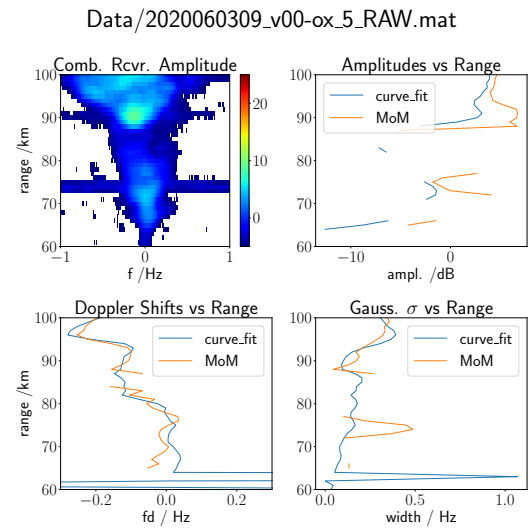


Figure 2

2.2 File 2

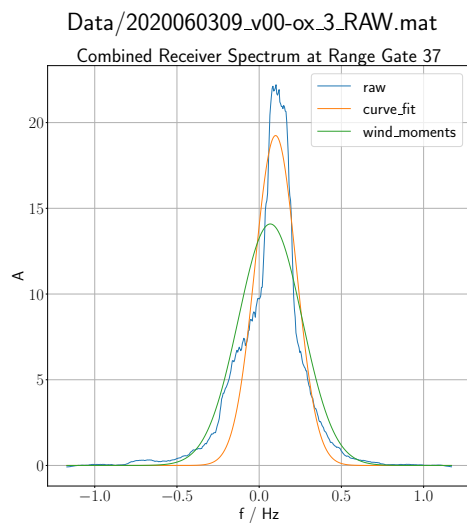


Figure 3

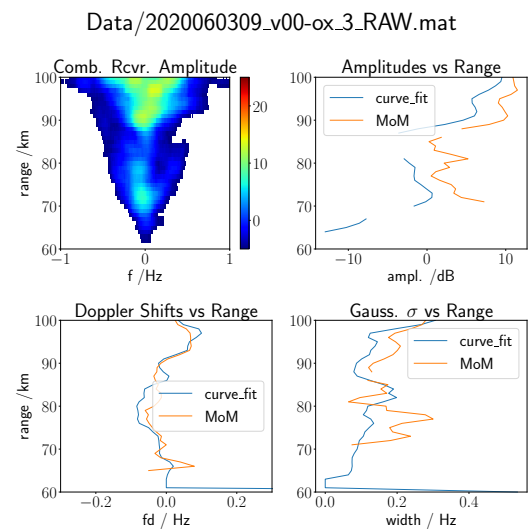


Figure 4

2.3 File 3

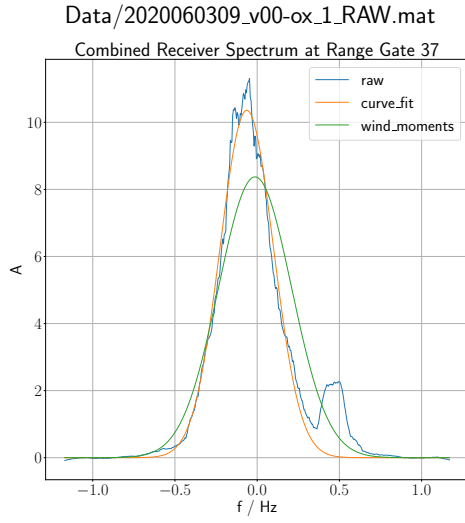


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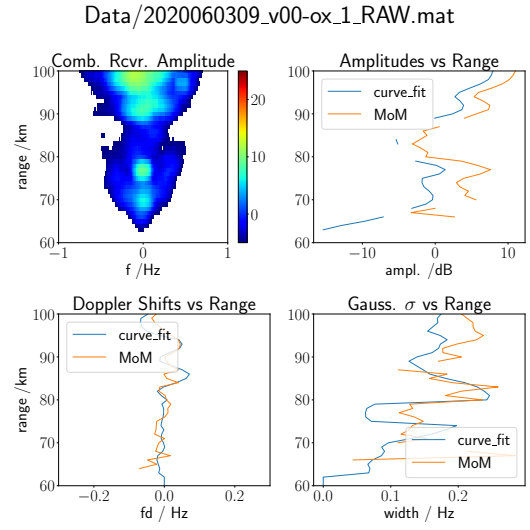


Figure 6

2.4 File 4

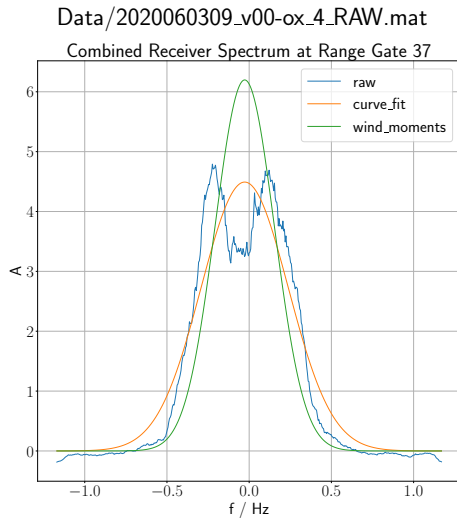


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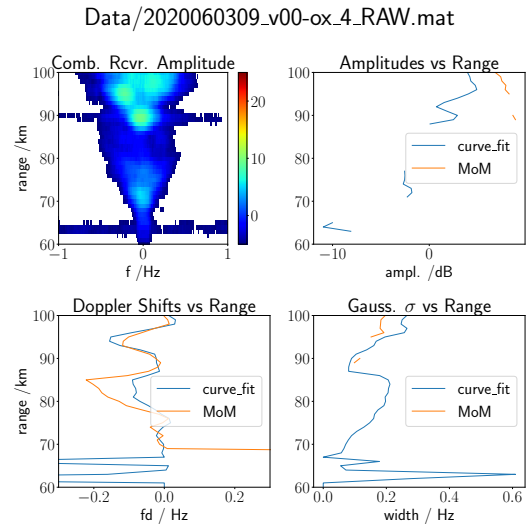


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2.5 File 5

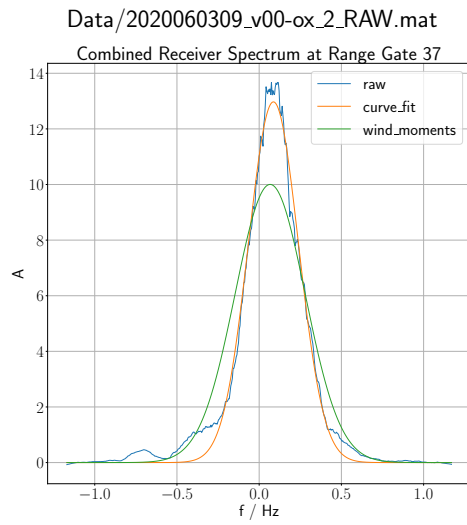


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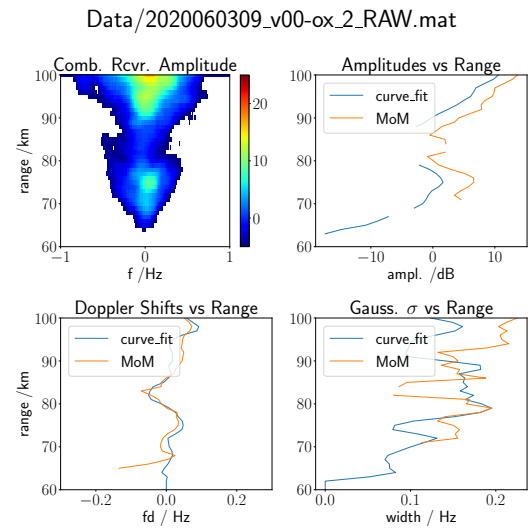


Figure 10

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Software Used

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A Python Code

```
1 import scipy.io as spio
2 import os
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 import numpy as np
5 import scipy
6
7
8 def savefig(name):
9     plt.savefig("outputs/" + name)
10
11
12 # perform coherent integrations
13 def make_ci(t, y, ci):
14     nptsn = int(np.floor(len(y) / ci))
15     yn = np.empty(nptsn) + 1j * np.empty(nptsn)
16     tn = np.empty(nptsn)
17     for i in range(0, nptsn):
18         yn[i] = np.mean(y[i * ci:i * ci + ci - 1])
19         tn[i] = np.mean(t[i * ci:(i + 1) * ci])
20     return tn, yn
21
22
23 # make FFT spectrum, frequency axis
24 def make_fft(t, y):
25     dt = t[1] - t[0] # dt -> temporal resolution ~ sample rate
26     print(dt)
27     f = np.fft.fftfreq(t.size, dt) # frequency axis
28     Y = np.fft.fft(y) # FFT
29     f = np.fft.fftshift(f)
30     Y = np.fft.fftshift(Y) / (len(y))
31     return f, Y
32
33
34 def wind_moments(f, spectr):
35
36     spectr = np.abs(spectr)
37
38     anzRG = np.size(spectr, 0)
39     anzDP = np.size(spectr, 1)
40
41     noise = np.nanmean(np.nanmean(spectr[:5, :], axis=0), axis=0)
42     stds = np.std(spectr[:5, :])
43
44     spectr = spectr - noise
45
46     fd = np.zeros([nozRG])
47     width = np.zeros([nozRG])
48     amp = np.zeros([nozRG])
49
50     for RG in range(0, anzRG):
51         # RG=15;
52         spec = spectr[RG, :]
53         # spec=spec-min(spec)
54         # plt.figure; plt.plot(f,spec); plt.grid(1)
55
56         sel = spec > stds * 3
57         # (noise+stds*2);
58         if sum(sel) > anzDP / 30:
59
60             df = f[1] - f[0]
61             # 0.-tes Moment
62             m0 = df * sum(spec)
63             # 1.-tes Moment
64             m1 = df * sum(f * spec)
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65         # 2.-tes Moment
66         m2 = df * sum(f ** 2 * spec)
67
68         fd[RG] = m1 / m0
69         width[RG] = np.sqrt((m2 / m0) - (m1 / m0) ** 2)
70         # problem: if widths are NaNs, then amps will also be NaNs
71         amp[RG] = m0 / (width[RG] * np.sqrt(2*np.pi)) # np.nansum(spec)
72
73     else:
74         fd[RG] = np.NaN
75         width[RG] = np.NaN
76         amp[RG] = np.nansum(spec) / (width[RG] * np.sqrt(2*np.pi))
77
78     # width=abs(width);
79
80     return fd, width, amp
81
82
83 def smooth(y, box_pts):
84     box = np.ones(box_pts) / box_pts
85     y_smooth = np.convolve(y, box, mode="same")
86     return y_smooth
87
88
89 # Gaussian general structure (does not include amplitude sigma term)
90 def gauss(x, *p):
91     A, mu, sigma = p
92     return A*np.exp(-(x-mu)**2/(2.*sigma**2))
93
94
95 # function for curve_fit
96 def gauss_for_fitting(x, *p):
97     A, mu, sigma = p
98     return A/(sigma * np.sqrt(2*np.pi))*np.exp(-(x-mu)**2/(2.*sigma**2))
99
100 # -----
101 # Load data and initialize
102
103 DataPath = "Data/"
104
105 Files = os.listdir(DataPath)
106
107 file_idx = 4
108 filename = str(Files[file_idx])
109 currentfile = str(DataPath) + filename
110
111 # importing MATLAB mat file (containing radar raw data)
112 mat = spio.loadmat(currentfile, squeeze_me=True)
113
114 datenums = mat["datenums"]
115 ranges = mat["ranges"]
116 data = mat["data"]
117
118 # datenums ~ days since year 0
119 # here only the time is important for us -> hours, minutes, seconds
120 # => fraction / remainder of the integer
121
122 t = (datenums - np.floor(np.min(datenums))) * 24
123
124 # number of range gates , data points, receivers
125 noRG = np.size(data, 0)
126 noDP = np.size(data, 1)
127 noRx = np.size(data, 2)
128
129 RXs = np.linspace(1, noRx, noRx)
130
131 # -----

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132 # Coherent Integrations
133
134 ci = 8
135
136 # CI window size
137 noDPn = int(np.floor(noDP / ci))
138
139 datan = np.zeros([noRG, noDPn, noRx]) + 1j * np.zeros([noRG, noDPn, noRx])
140
141 for rx in range(noRx):
142     for rg in range(noRG):
143         tn, datan[rg, :, rx] = make_ci(t, data[rg, :, rx], ci)
144
145 # update data size and t according to CI
146 data = datan
147 t = tn
148 noDP = np.size(data, 1)
149
150 # time vector in s
151 tsec = t * 60 * 60
152
153
154 # -----
155 # Spectra for all ranges and all receivers
156
157 Spectr = np.zeros([noRG, noDP, noRx]) + 1j * np.zeros([noRG, noDP, noRx])
158
159 for rx in range(noRx):
160     for rg in range(noRG):
161         f, Spectr[rg, :, rx] = make_fft(tsec, data[rg, :, rx])
162
163 SpectrSm = np.zeros([noRG, noDP, noRx])
164
165 # smooth all spectra
166 for rx in range(noRx):
167     for rg in range(noRG):
168         SpectrSm[rg, :, rx] = smooth(abs(Spectr[rg, :, rx]), 31)
169
170
171 # combine spectra of all receivers by taking the median of them
172 SpectrComb = np.nanmedian(Spectr, axis=2)
173
174 SpectrCombSm = np.zeros([noRG, noDP])
175
176 # smoothed median spectrum
177 for rg in range(noRG):
178     SpectrCombSm[rg, :] = smooth(abs(SpectrComb[rg, :]), 31)
179
180 # moments for the combined receiver
181 # (fd, width, amp) -> one for each range gate
182 fd, width, amp = wind_moments(f, SpectrCombSm)
183
184 print("fd: ", fd)
185 print("width: ", width)
186 print("amp: ", amp)
187
188 # individually for all Receiver
189
190 Fd = np.zeros([noRG, noRx])
191 Width = np.zeros([noRG, noRx])
192 Amp = np.zeros([noRG, noRx])
193
194 for rx in range(noRx):
195     # rx=0
196     Fd[:, rx], Width[:, rx], Amp[:, rx] = wind_moments(f, SpectrSm[:, :, rx])
197
198 spectr1 = np.abs(SpectrCombSm)

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199
200 anzRG = np.size(spectr1, 0)
201 anzDP = np.size(spectr1, 1)
202
203 # a=np.nanmedian(spectr[:5,:],axis=0)
204 # noise -> average spectra of first 5 range gates (incoherent int.)
205 #       -> mean of that
206 noise = np.nanmean(np.nanmean(spectr1[:5, :], axis=0), axis=0)
207 stds = np.std(spectr1[:5, :])
208
209 spectr1 = spectr1 - noise
210
211 # range gate select
212 RGi = 37
213
214 x0 = [1.0, 0.0, 1.0]
215 coeff2, var_matrix2 = scipy.optimize.curve_fit(gauss_for_fitting,
216                                                f, spectr1[RGi, :],
217                                                p0=x0)
218
219 fd_mom, width_mom, amp_mom = wind_moments(f, SpectrComb)
220 fd2 = fd_mom[RGi]
221 sig2 = width_mom[RGi]
222 amp2 = amp_mom[RGi]
223
224 # curve_fit for all range gates
225 amps_cf = np.zeros(noRG)
226 fd_cf = np.zeros(noRG)
227 sig_cf = np.zeros(noRG)
228 for rg in range(0, noRG):
229     try:
230         coeff, dump = scipy.optimize.curve_fit(gauss_for_fitting,
231                                                f, spectr1[rg, :],
232                                                p0=x0)
233         amps_cf[rg], fd_cf[rg], sig_cf[rg] = coeff
234         sig_cf[rg] = np.abs(sig_cf[rg])
235         print(coeff)
236     except RuntimeError:
237         # awful error handling
238         print("errorororor")
239
240
241 # -----
242 # Plotting
243
244 print("----")
245 print(sig_cf[noRG-1])
246 print("----")
247
248 plt.figure()
249 plt.suptitle(currentfile)
250 plt.title("Combined Receiver Spectrum at Range Gate " + str(RGi))
251 plt.xlabel("f / Hz")
252 plt.ylabel("A")
253 plt.plot(f, spectr1[RGi, :], label="raw")
254 plt.plot(f, gauss_for_fitting(f, *coeff2), label="curve_fit")
255 plt.plot(f, gauss(f, *(amp2, fd2, sig2)), label="wind_moments")
256 plt.legend()
257 plt.grid(True)
258 savefig("data_" + str(file_idx) + "_single_rg.pdf")
259 plt.tight_layout()
260
261 # -----
262 # curve_fit
263
264 plt.figure()
265 plt.subplot(2, 2, 1)

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266 ampl = 10 * np.log10(SpectrCombSm)
267 SNRsel = ampl < -5
268 ampl[SNRsel] = "nan"
269 plt.pcolor(f, ranges, ampl, cmap="jet")
270 plt.clim([-5, 25])
271 plt.xlim([-1, 1])
272 plt.xlabel("f /Hz")
273 plt.ylabel("range /km")
274 plt.colorbar()
275 plt.ylim([min(ranges), max(ranges)])
276 plt.suptitle(currentfile)
277 plt.title("Comb. Rcvr. Amplitude")
278
279 # parameters for MoM and curve_fit
280 ax = plt.subplot(2, 2, 2)
281 plt.plot(10 * np.log10(amps_cf), ranges, label="curve_fit")
282 plt.plot(10 * np.log10(amp_mom), ranges, label="MoM")
283 plt.xlabel("ampl. /dB")
284 plt.ylim([min(ranges), max(ranges)])
285 plt.title("Amplitudes vs Range")
286 ax.legend()
287
288 ax = plt.subplot(2, 2, 3)
289 plt.plot(fd_cf, ranges, label=("curve_fit"))
290 plt.plot(fd_mom, ranges, label=("MoM"))
291 plt.ylabel("range /km")
292 plt.xlabel("fd / Hz")
293 plt.title("Doppler Shifts vs Range")
294 plt.xlim([-0.3, 0.3])
295 plt.ylim([min(ranges), max(ranges)])
296 ax.legend()
297
298 ax = plt.subplot(2, 2, 4)
299 plt.plot(sig_cf, ranges, label="curve_fit")
300 plt.plot(width_mom, ranges, label="MoM")
301 plt.xlabel("width / Hz")
302 plt.title("Gauss.  $\sigma$  vs Range")
303 plt.ylim([min(ranges), max(ranges)])
304 ax.legend()
305 plt.tight_layout()
306 savefig("data_" + str(file_idx) + "_quad" + ".pdf")
307
308 plt.show()

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