

Statistical Signal Processing

Lecture 6: Optimal Filtering and Applications

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Recall A Note on Optimization

Example: Let $e(n, a)$ be affine in a , for example given as:

$$e(n, a) = d(n) + ax(n) \quad d(n), x(n), a \in \mathbb{C},$$

then the necessary condition for solving the following optimization problem,

$$\min_{a^*, (a)} |e(n, a)|^2 = \min_{a^*, (a)} e(n, a)e^*(n, a)$$

is given by,

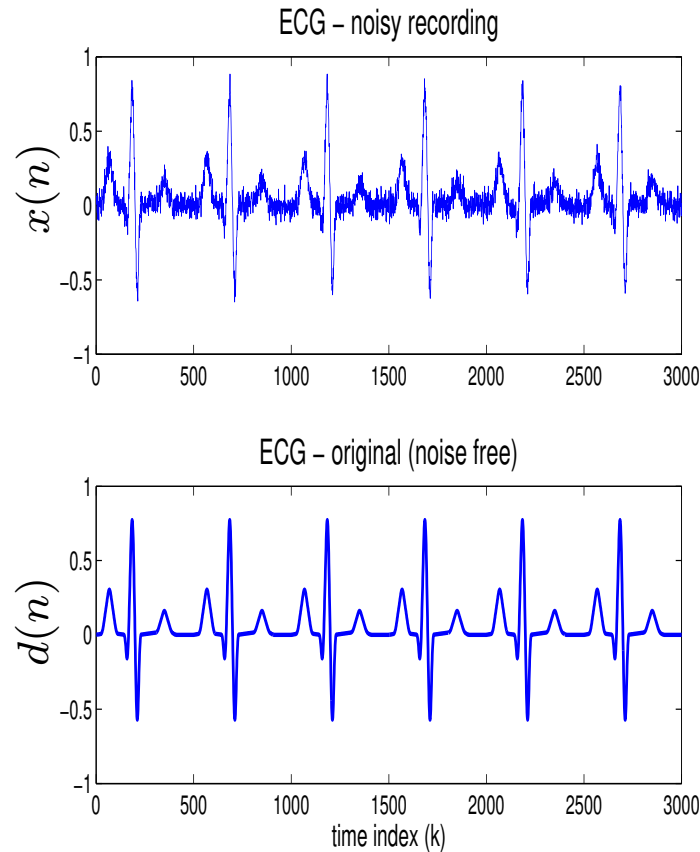
$$\boxed{e(n, a) \frac{\partial e^*(n, a)}{\partial a^*} = 0} \quad \text{or} \quad \left(\frac{\partial e(n, a)}{\partial a} e^*(n, a) = 0 \right)$$

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Denoising of signals

ECG recordings



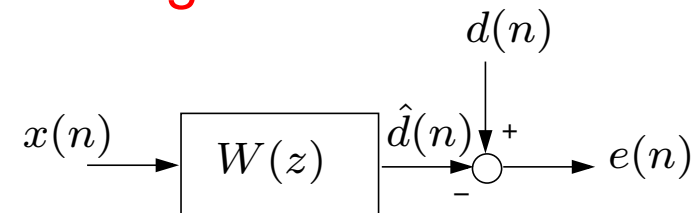
Observation model

$$x(n) = d(n) + v(n)$$

$d(n)$ — “desired” - signal of interest

$v(n)$ — “noise” - disturbance (additive)!

Denoising:



Determine $W(z)$ by **minimizing** $E[|e(n)|^2]$.

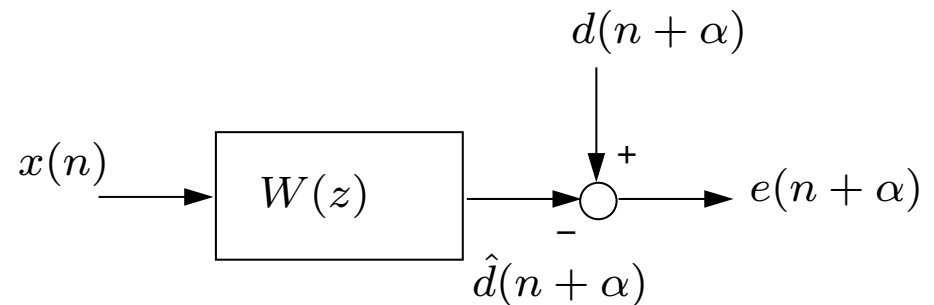
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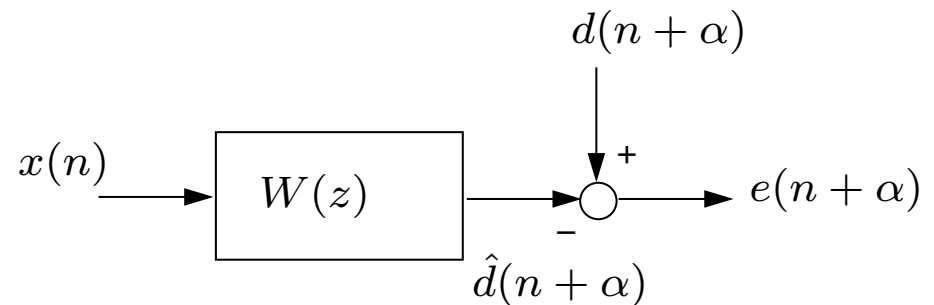
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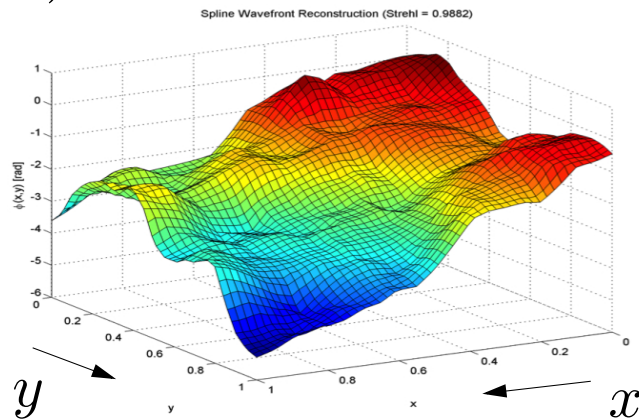
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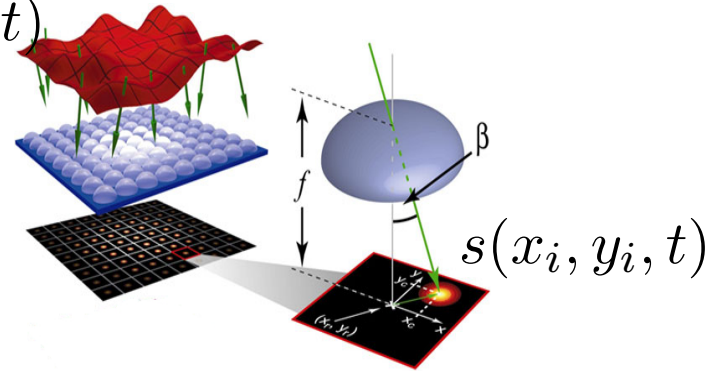
Example: Verhaegen's CSI lab

Video Demo: Gemini Telescope (2:20)

$$\phi(x, y, t)$$



Schematic Shack-Hartmann Sensor
 $\phi(x, y, t)$



[From M. Konnik, 2010]

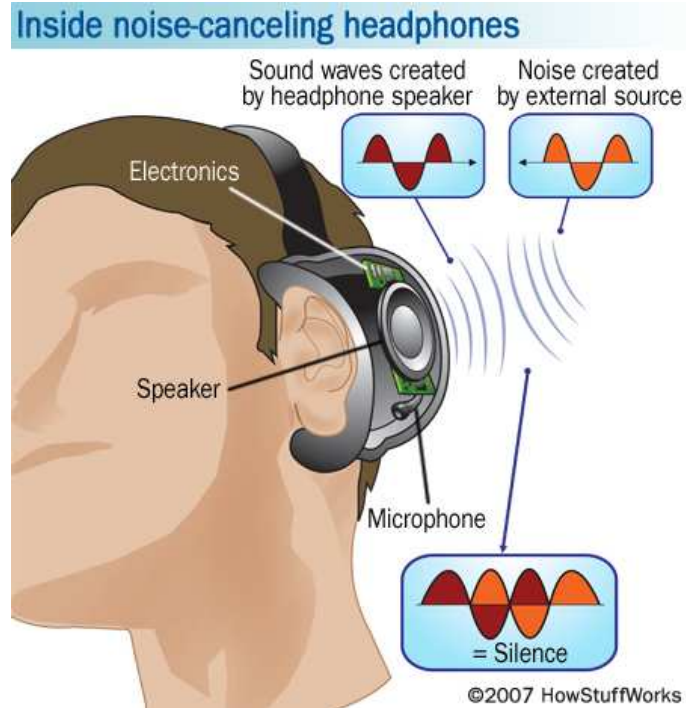
Challenge: Say n is the current time instant, can we predict $s(n + 1)$ such that

$$E[|s(n + 1) - \hat{s}(n + 1)|^2]$$

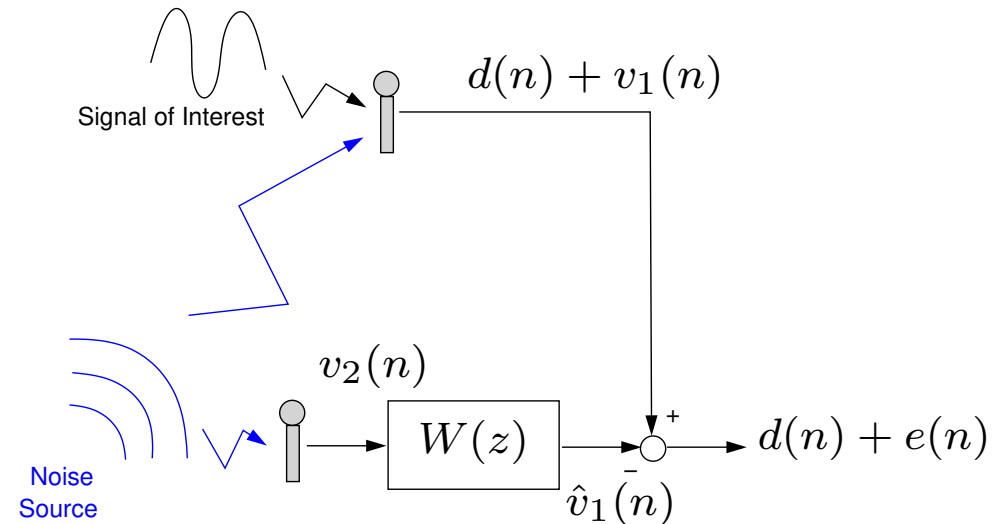
is **minimized**?

Active Noise Cancellation

Communicating in a “noisy” environment



Challenge: Signal modeling
AND cancelling



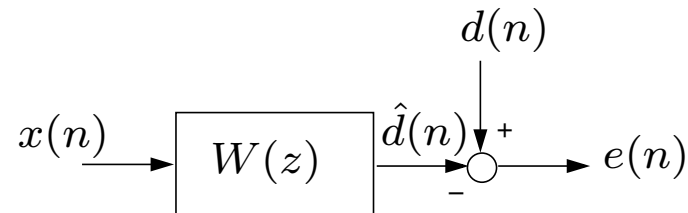
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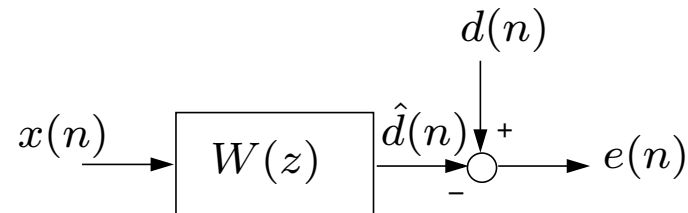


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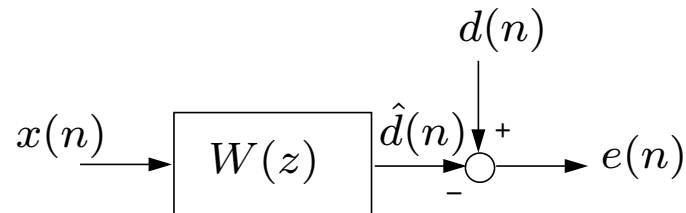


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- *Noise cancellation*: estimate $v_1(n)$ from $v_2(n)$ (and subtract it from $d(n) + v_1(n)$) using signal model $v_2(n)$ and its relation to $v_1(n)$.

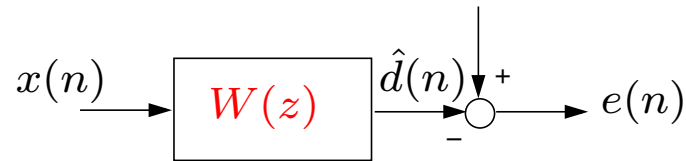
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The FIR Wiener filter problem

Let the filter $W(z)$ be given as $w(0) + w(1)z^{-1} + \dots + w(m-1)z^{m-1}$.



Then the estimate $\hat{d}(n)$ is given by:

$$\hat{d}(n) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} w(\ell)x(n-\ell) = \begin{bmatrix} w(0) & \dots & w(m-1) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x(n) \\ \vdots \\ x(n-m+1) \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}(n)$$

The optimality to find the coefficients $w(i)$ is expressed by minimizing the mean-square error:

$$\xi(\mathbf{w}) = E[|e(n)|^2] = E\left[\left|d(n) - \hat{d}(n)\right|^2\right] = E\left[\left|d(n) - \sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} w(\ell)x(n-\ell)\right|^2\right]$$

The solution to the FIR Wiener filter problem

THEOREM: Let the conditions stipulated in the previous slide hold, let in addition $\{x(n), d(n)\}$ be jointly WSS and the following covariance matrices be given:

$$\mathbf{R}_x = E[\mathbf{x}^*(\mathbf{n})\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{n})^T] > 0 \quad \mathbf{r}_{dx} = E[d(n)\mathbf{x}^*(\mathbf{n})]$$

then the solution to estimate the signal $d(n)$ from $x(n)$ is derived from

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} \xi(\mathbf{w}) \quad \text{and given as} \quad \hat{d}(n) = \hat{\mathbf{w}}^T \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{n})$$

The filter coefficients $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ satisfy,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}_x \hat{\mathbf{w}} &= \mathbf{r}_{dx} \quad (\text{"The Wiener-Hopf equations"}) \\ \xi_{\min} = \xi(\hat{\mathbf{w}}) &= r_d(0) - (\mathbf{r}_{dx}^*)^T \mathbf{R}_x^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{dx} \end{aligned}$$

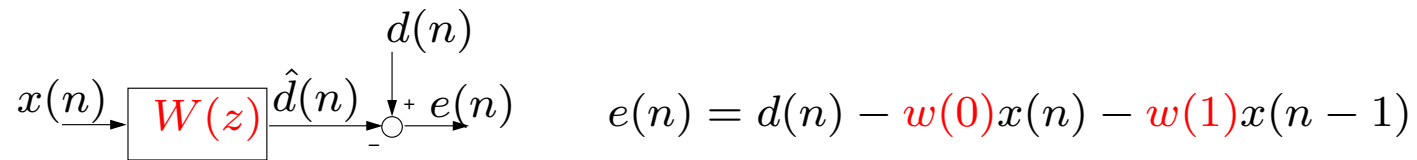
Proof of the solution to the FIR Wiener filter problem

Will done in three steps:

1. The orthogonality condition (principle)
2. The characterization of the solution with the Wiener-Hopf equations
3. The optimal residual ξ_{\min} .

[This will be done for case $m = 2$ i.e. $\hat{d}(n) = w(0)x(n) + w(1)x(n - 1)$]

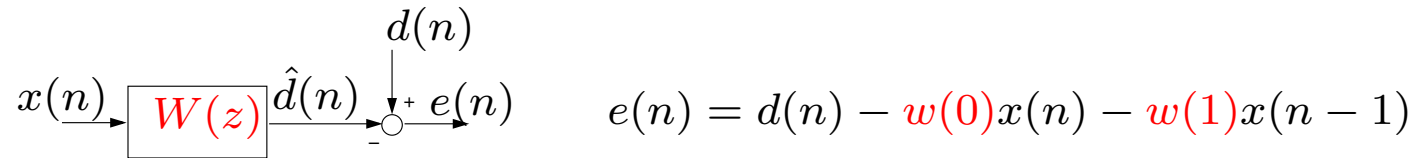
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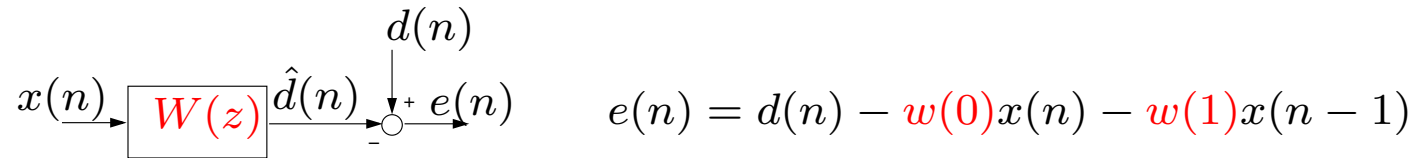
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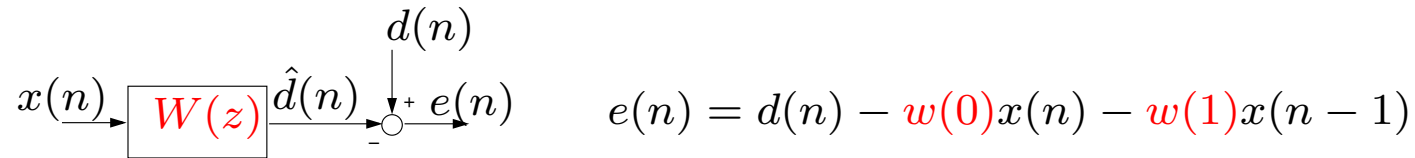
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$$E \begin{bmatrix} e_{\min}(n) \frac{\partial e^*(n)}{\partial w^*(0)} \\ e_{\min}(n) \frac{\partial e^*(n)}{\partial w^*(1)} \end{bmatrix}_{\mathbf{w}=\hat{\mathbf{w}}} = E \begin{bmatrix} e_{\min}(n)x^*(n) \\ e_{\min}(n)x^*(n-1) \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad (\text{O.C.})$$

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$$E \left[\begin{bmatrix} x^*(n) \\ x^*(n-1) \end{bmatrix} d(n) \right] - E \left[\begin{bmatrix} x^*(n) \\ x^*(n-1) \end{bmatrix} \left[\hat{w}(0)x(n) + \hat{w}(1)x(n-1) \right] \right] = 0$$

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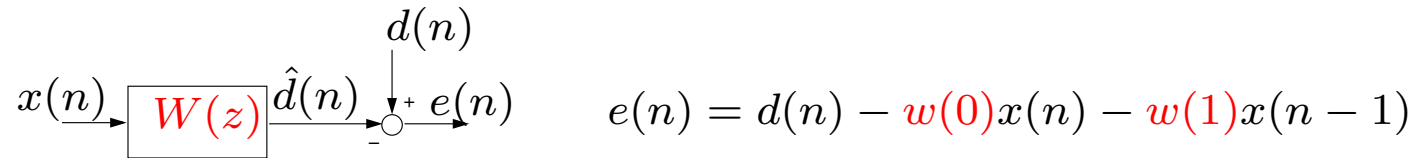
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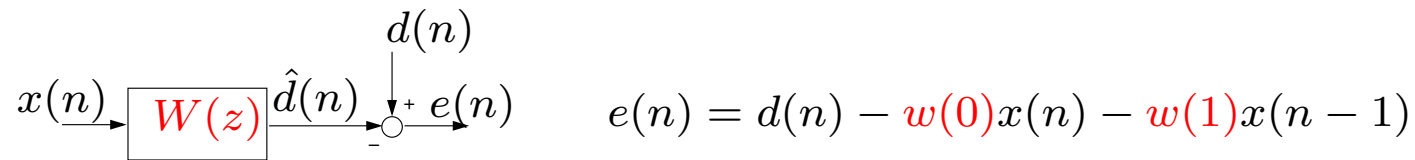
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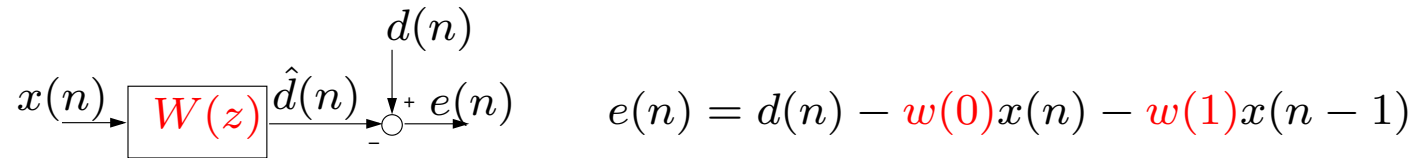
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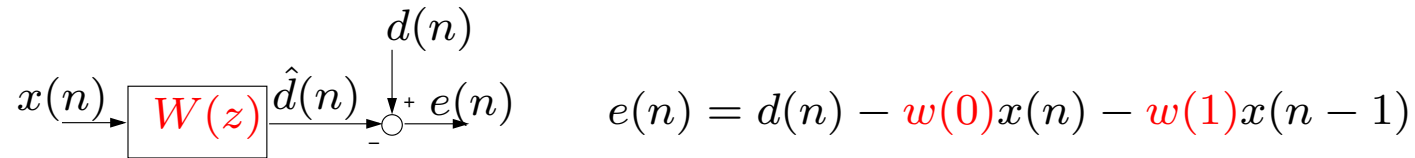
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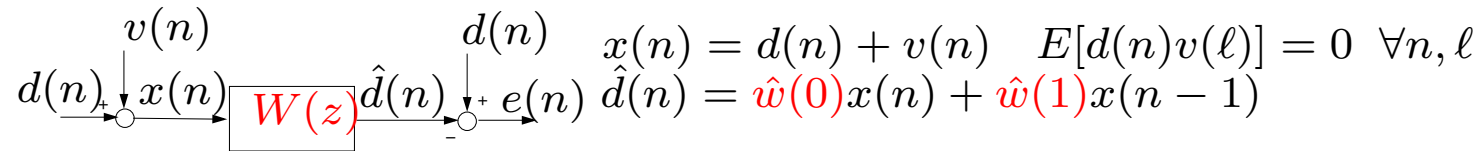
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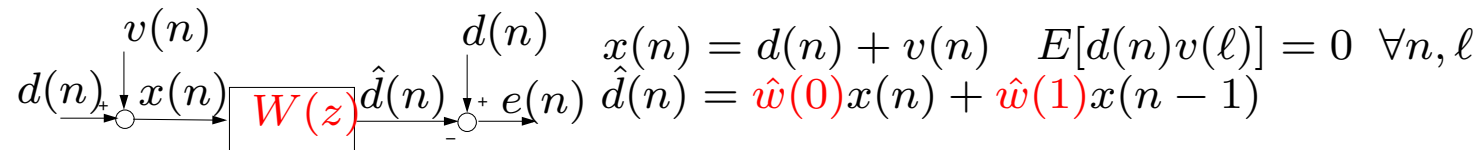
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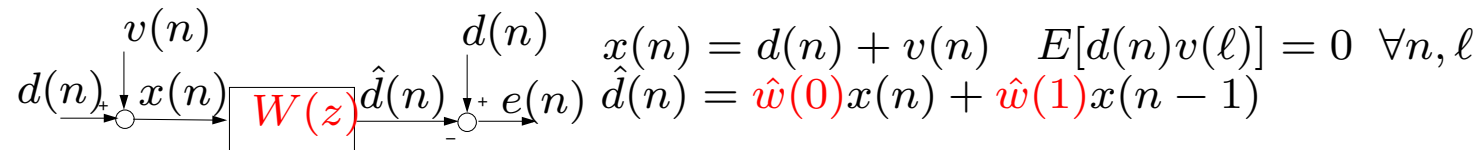


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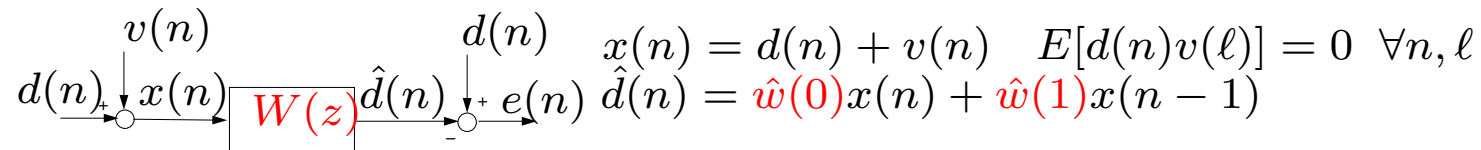
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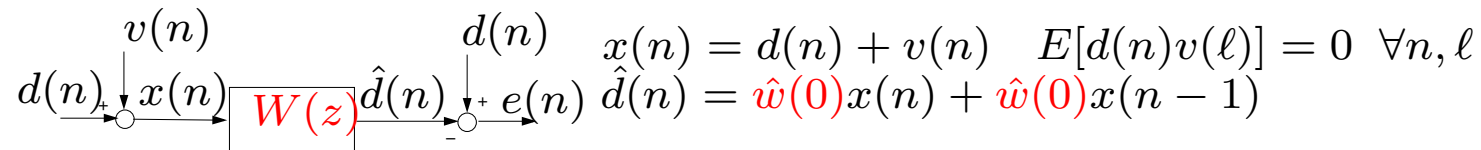
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The Auto-correlation function of $x(n)$ is (Lecture 4)

$$r_x(k) = \underbrace{|a|^k}_{r_d(k)} + \sigma_v^2 \delta(k)$$

And the Wiener-Hopf equations become

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 + \sigma_v^2 & a \\ a & 1 + \sigma_v^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{w}_0 \\ \hat{w}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a \end{bmatrix}$$

Resulting in the filter $W(z) = \frac{1}{(1+\sigma_v^2)^2 - a^2} [(1 + \sigma_v^2 - a^2) + a\sigma_v^2 z^{-1}]$

and $\xi_{\min} = 1 - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{w}_0 \\ \hat{w}_1 \end{bmatrix}$

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Multi-step Prediction of $d(n + \alpha)$ from $d(n), d(n - 1), \dots, d(n - m + 1)$

The cost function we seek to optimize is:

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Extension: Multistep prediction in case of noisy measurements:

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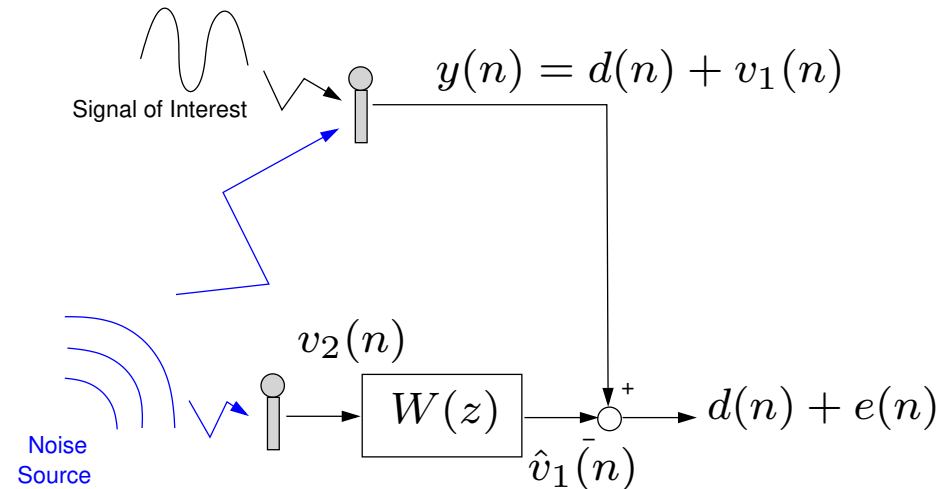
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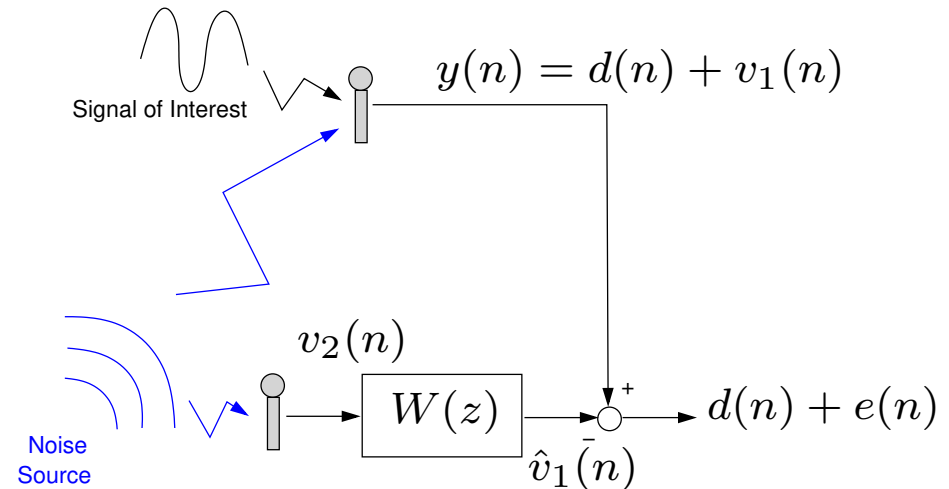
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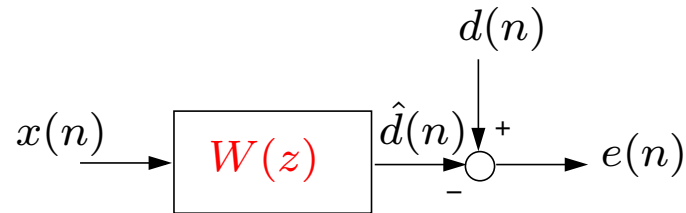
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The IIR Wiener filter problem

Let the filter $W(z)$ be LSI with a double sided impulse response.

Let $x(n)$, $d(n)$ be WSS with mean zero.



Then the estimate $\hat{d}(n)$ is given by:

$$\hat{d}(n) = \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} w(\ell)x(n-\ell) = w(n) \star x(n)$$

The optimality to find the coefficients $w(\ell)$ is expressed by minimizing the mean-square error:

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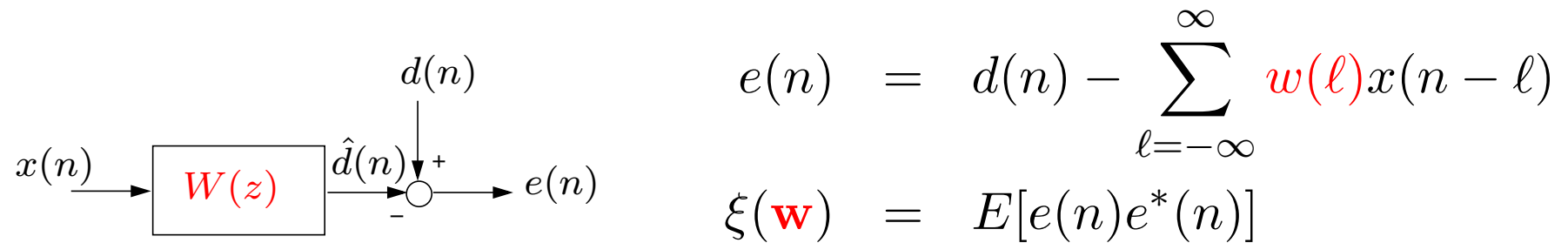
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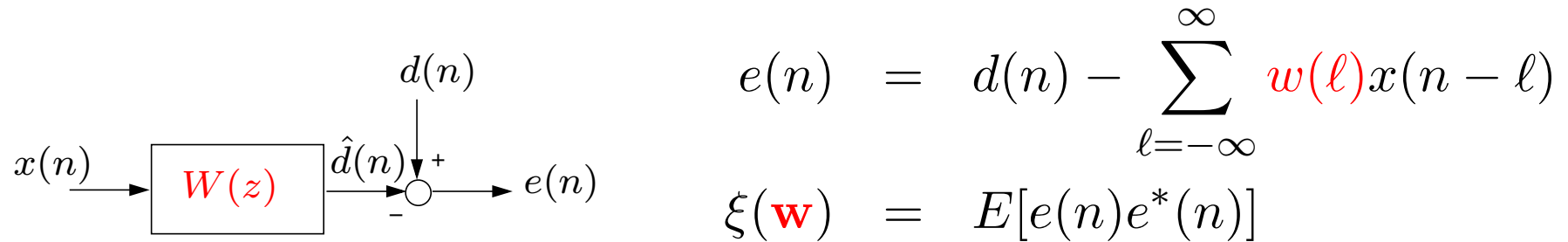
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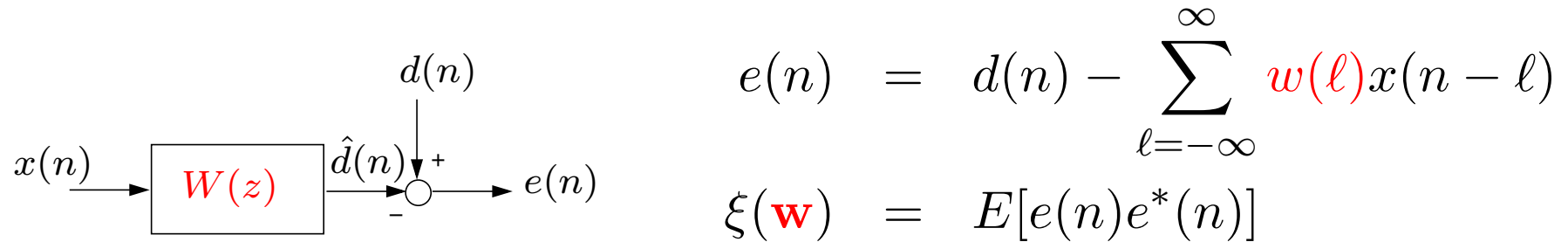
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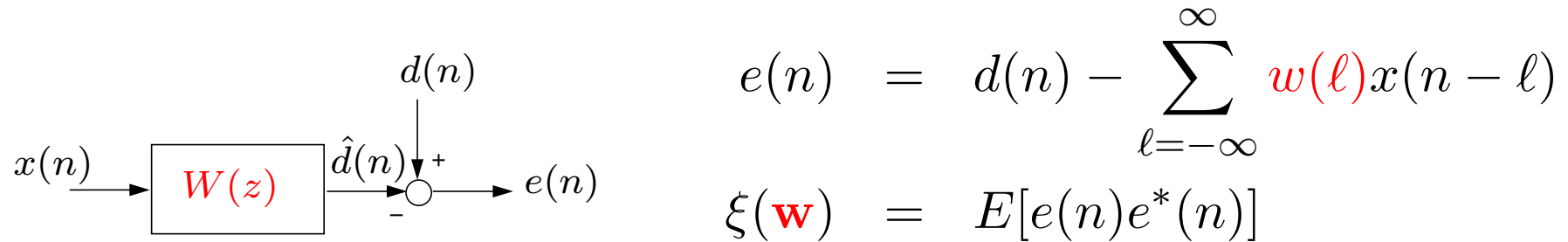
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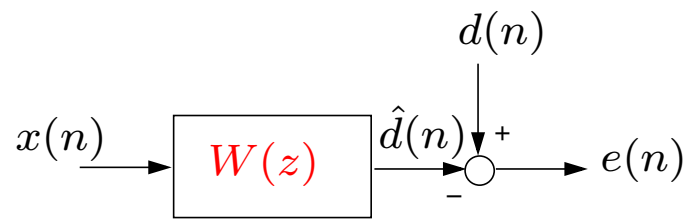
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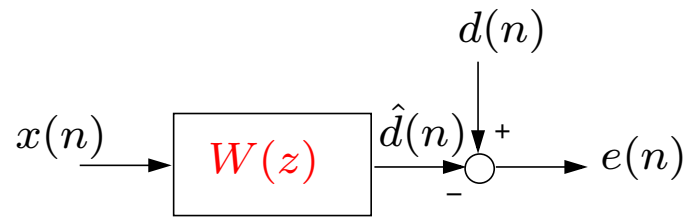
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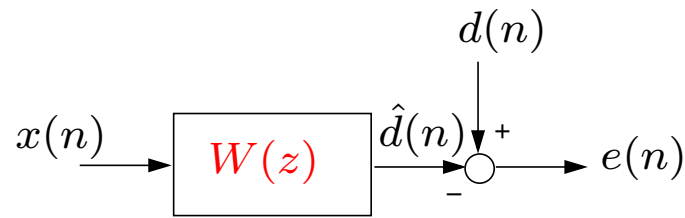
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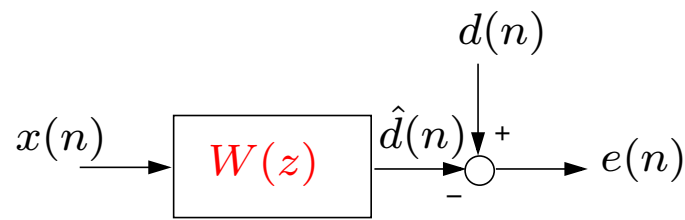
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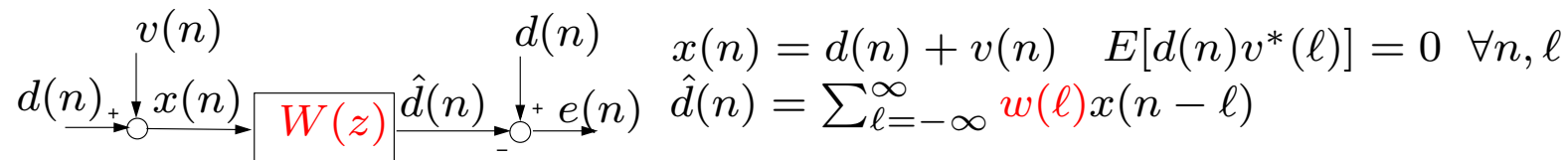
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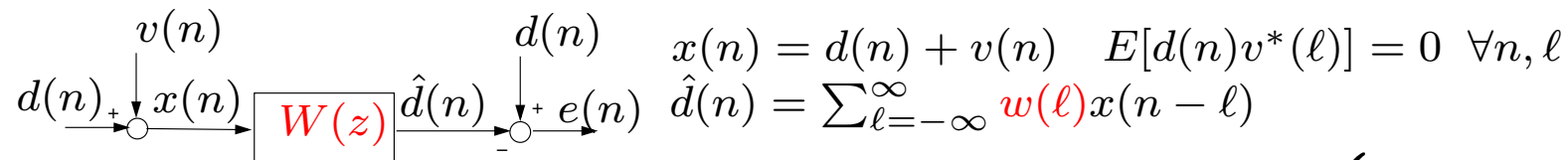
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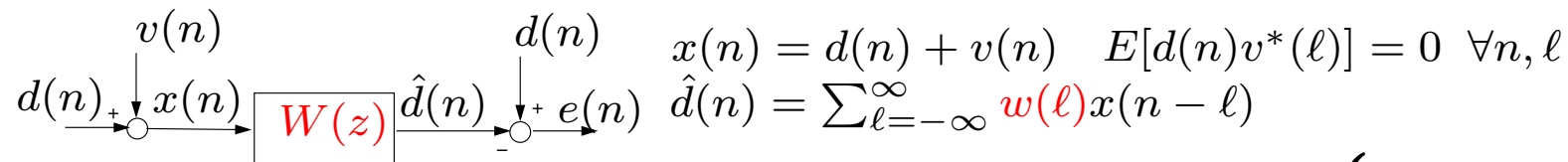
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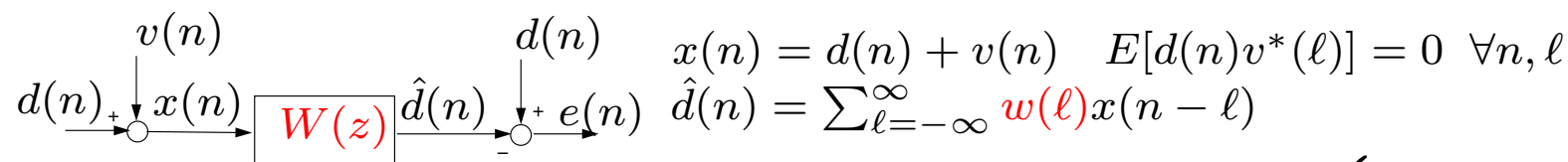
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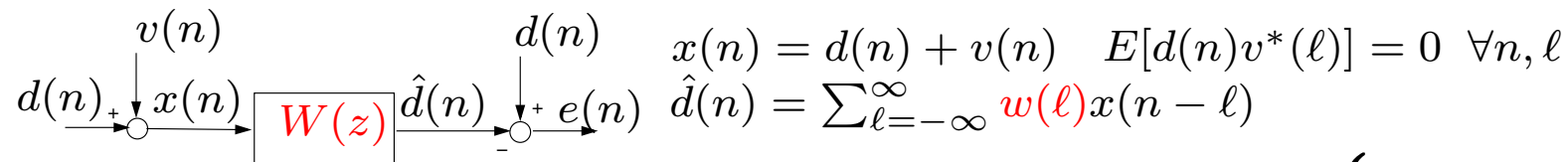
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Conclusion: If $v(n)$ and $d(n)$ have spectra that do not overlap, their product is 0 $\forall \omega \Rightarrow \xi_{\min} = 0$.

Example 1 (Ct'd): Denoising (real case)

Consider the AR(1) process $d(n)$ given by ($a = 0.8$):

$d(n+1) = ad(n) + r(n)$ for $r(n)$ ZMWN($\sigma_r^2 = 1 - a^2$) and let the noise $v(n)$ in $x(n) = d(n) + v(n)$ to be also ZMWN($\sigma_v^2 = 1$), then the optimal IIR Wiener filter is:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{W}(z) &= \frac{P_d(z)}{P_d(z) + P_v(z)} = \frac{(1 - a^2)}{(1 - a^2) + (1 - az^{-1})(1 - az)} \\ &= \frac{0.225}{(1 - 0.5z^{-1})(1 - 0.5z)}\end{aligned}$$

Resulting in the value of the cost function

$$\xi_{\min} = \sigma_v^2 \hat{w}(0) = 0.3$$

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