

Adaptive Filtering

Digital Signal Processing

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Adaptive Filtering

Using filters that adapt or change depending on the signal characteristics.

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Applications

- Electroencephalography
 - Eye movements can create noise bigger than the signal of interest and vary with time
- Digital spread spectrum communication
 - Noise or other signals may interfere at a particular band of frequencies that may vary over time
- High frequency digital data communication
 - over a communication channel with limited bandwidth

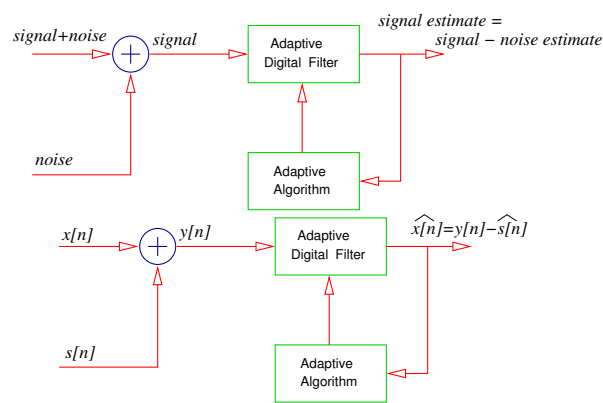
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Adaptive Filters

- Variable filter characteristics, adapting to changing conditions
- Spectral overlap between signal and noise
- Unknown noise band or varies with time

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Noise Cancellation



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Some Definitions

- **Expectation** is the **mean** (a type of **average**). The discrete expectation from $n = 0$ to N for a signal $a[n]$ is:

$$\mathbb{E}[a[n]] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^N a[n].$$

- **Total power** is the **expectation** of the **square** of a signal:

$$\mathbb{E}[a^2[n]].$$

- **Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR)** is:

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}[a^2[n]]}{\mathbb{E}[b^2[n]]}$$

where $b[n]$ is a **noise** signal.

- If two signals ($a[n]$ and $b[n]$) are **not correlated** then

$$\mathbb{E}[a[n]b[n]] = 0.$$

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Adaptive Noise Canceller *Example*

- ¹ **Q.** The output of a noise canceller system is given by:

$$\hat{x}[n] = y[n] - \hat{s}[n] = x[n] + s[n] - \hat{s}[n]$$

Show that minimizing the total power at output maximises the output signal to noise ratio.

A. Previous slide showed that **power** and **signal to noise ratio** use **expectations and squares**.

So we need to find the **expectations** of the **squares** of the left and right sides of the equation.

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¹Widrow et al. 1975 and Hefacher and Jervis 1993 pp. 546

Adaptive Noise Canceller *Example cont'd.*

1. Square both sides:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}^2[n] &= (x[n] + s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2 \\ &= (x[n] + (s[n] - \hat{s}[n]))^2 \\ &= x^2[n] + 2x[n](s[n] - \hat{s}[n]) + (s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2\end{aligned}$$

2. Take expectations of both sides:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[\hat{x}^2[n]] &= \mathbb{E}[x^2[n] + 2x[n](s[n] - \hat{s}[n]) + (s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[x^2[n]] + \mathbb{E}[2x[n](s[n] - \hat{s}[n])] + \mathbb{E}[(s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2]\end{aligned}$$

3. The input signal $x[n]$ and noise source $s[n]$ are **not correlated**,

$$\mathbb{E}[2x[n](s[n] - \hat{s}[n])] = 0$$

(see definitions slide) so

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[\hat{x}^2[n]] &= \mathbb{E}[x^2[n]] + 0 + \mathbb{E}[(s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[x^2[n]] + \mathbb{E}[(s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2]\end{aligned}$$

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Adaptive Noise Canceller *Example cont'd.*

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{x}^2[n]] = \mathbb{E}[x^2[n]] + \mathbb{E}[(s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2]$$

- Total power at output:

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{x}^2[n]]$$

- Signal power at output:

$$\mathbb{E}[x^2[n]]$$

- (Remaining) noise power at output:

$$\mathbb{E}[(s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2]$$

- Output signal to noise ratio:

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}[x^2[n]]}{\mathbb{E}[(s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2]}$$

Signal to noise ratio increases if $\mathbb{E}[(s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2] \rightarrow 0$ which minimizes:

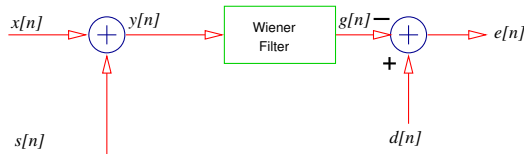
$$\min(\mathbb{E}[\hat{x}^2[n]]) = \mathbb{E}[x^2[n]] + \min(\mathbb{E}[(s[n] - \hat{s}[n])^2]).$$

So minimizing the total power at output increases the signal to noise ratio.

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Wiener Filter

Many **adaptive algorithms** := Discrete **Wiener filter** approximations



- Input signal = true signal + noise or $y[n] = x[n] + s[n]$
- Wiener filtered signal: $g[n]$
- Error: $e[n] = d[n] - g[n]$
- Signal of interest: $d[n]$

Objective:

minimise **Mean Square** of the Error (**MSE**)

- Error: $e[n] = d[n] - g[n]$
- MSE: $\mathbb{E}[(e[n])^2] = \mathbb{E}[(d[n] - g[n])^2]$

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Wiener Filter

- Wiener FIR filtered signal $g[n] = \sum_{m=0}^M w[m]y[n-m] = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{Y}$

Convolution of signal $y[n]$ with Wiener filter coefficients $w[n]$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y[0] \\ y[1] \\ \vdots \\ y[m] \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} w[n] \\ w[n-1] \\ \vdots \\ w[n-m] \end{pmatrix}.$$

- So error:

$$e[n] = d[n] - g[n] = d[n] - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y}.$$

- Square both sides of error:

$$\begin{aligned} e[n]^2 &= (d[n] - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y})^2 = d^2[n] - 2d[n]\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y} + (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y})^2 \\ &= d^2[n] - 2d[n]\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y} + (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y})(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y}) \end{aligned}$$

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Wiener Filter

- As $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{w}$ then

$$\begin{aligned} e[n]^2 &= d^2[n] - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y}d[n] + (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y})(\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{w}) \\ &= d^2[n] - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y}d[n] + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y} \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{w} \end{aligned}$$

- Taking expectations (average):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[e[n]^2] &= \mathbb{E}[d^2[n] - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y}d[n] + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y} \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{w}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[d^2[n]] - \mathbb{E}[2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y}d[n]] + \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y} \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{w}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[d^2[n]] - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}d[n]] + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y} \mathbf{y}^T] \mathbf{w} \end{aligned}$$

- Let $\mathbf{R}_y = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y} \mathbf{y}^T]$ and $\mathbf{r}_{dy} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}d[n]]$ then

$$\mathbb{E}[e[n]^2] = \mathbb{E}[d^2[n]] - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{r}_{dy} + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{w}$$

where \mathbf{R}_y is the autocorrelation matrix and \mathbf{r}_{dy} is the cross-correlation.

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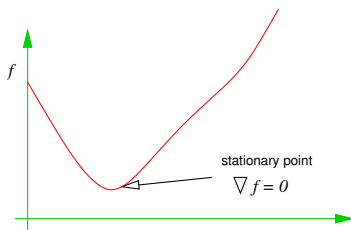
Wiener Filter

Mean Square Error:

$$\mathbb{E}[e[n]^2] = \mathbb{E}[d^2[n]] - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{r}_{dy} + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{w}$$

Q. How to minimize error?

A. A function has a stationary point where the gradient is zero:



Therefore take the gradient and set to zero:
to find **optimal** FIR filter weights.

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Wiener Filter

Derivative of Mean Square Error:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d(\mathbb{E}[e[n]^2])}{d\mathbf{w}} &= \frac{d(\mathbb{E}[d^2[n]] - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{r}_{dy} + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{w})}{d\mathbf{w}} \\ &= \frac{d(\mathbb{E}[d^2[n]])}{d\mathbf{w}} - \frac{d(2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{r}_{dy})}{d\mathbf{w}} + \frac{d(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{w})}{d\mathbf{w}} \\ &= 0 - 2\mathbf{r}_{dy} + 2\mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{w} \end{aligned}$$

Making derivative equal to zero to find the stationary point (minimum):

$$\begin{aligned} -2\mathbf{r}_{dy} + 2\mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{w} &= 0 \\ 2\mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{w} &= 2\mathbf{r}_{dy} \\ \mathbf{w} &= \mathbf{R}_y^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{dy} \end{aligned}$$

So optimal weights given by inverse of autocorrelation matrix multiplied with the cross correlation.

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Wiener Filter Optimisation Algorithms

Result known as Wiener-Hopf equation:

$$\mathbf{R}_y \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{r}_{dy} \quad (1)$$

Solution can be found by:

$$\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{R}_y^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{dy}$$

But **Levinson-Durbin algorithm** can be used to solve eqn (1) directly.

Alternatively there are the:

- **Least Mean Squares (LMS)** adaptive algorithm or
- **Recursive Least Squares (RLS)** algorithm

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Least Mean Squares Adaptive Algorithm

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- Wiener filter coefficients calculated iteratively
- Uses steepest descent algorithm:

$$\mathbf{w}_{n+1} = \mathbf{w}_n - \mu \frac{d\mathbb{E}[e[n]]^2}{d\mathbf{w}}$$

- However $\frac{d\mathbb{E}[e[n]]^2}{d\mathbf{w}}$ is computationally expensive (as before)
- Wiener LMS algorithm uses:

$$\mathbf{w}_{n+1} = \mathbf{w}_n - 2\mu e[n] \mathbf{y}$$

which is much faster to calculate.

- Does not depend on calculating \mathbf{r}_{dy} , \mathbf{R}_y^{-1} or \mathbf{R}_y .

²Widrow et al. 1975

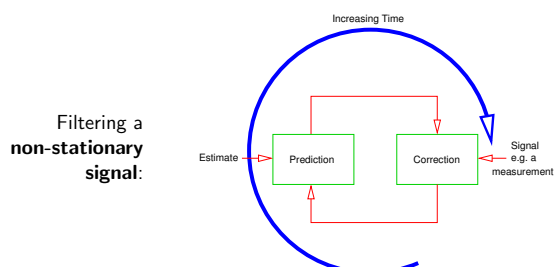
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Kalman Filter

Wiener filter originally designed for signals that do not change with time (*stationary* signals).

- Can be adapted using e.g. LMS adaptive algorithm.

Kalman filters were invented for signals that change with time (*non-stationary* signals).



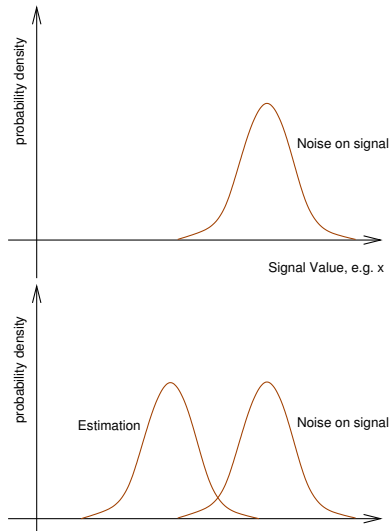
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Kalman Filter

Kalman filter combines:

- Measurement
- and Prediction

in an algorithm to reduce the overall error when estimating a time varying signal (so probably not a periodic signal).



Lecture Summary

- Adaptive filtering uses filters that can adapt to a signal.
- Mean Square Error (MSE) is used in optimization algorithms to find suitable filter coefficients.
- Wiener filter is one technique.
- Wiener filter was designed for stationary signals.
- Kalman filtering is an example of a technique to estimate non-stationary signals.

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