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# ***Stochastic Narrowband Models***

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# Where We Are (and Aren't) in J&D

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- **Most of the lecture drawn from:**
  - Notes from Dan Fuhrmann's class at Washington University
  - “A Note on Generating Complex Gaussian Data,” by Tim Barton
  - Typical practice in the literature
- **Last few slides based on J&D, Chapter B, particularly Sec. B.5**

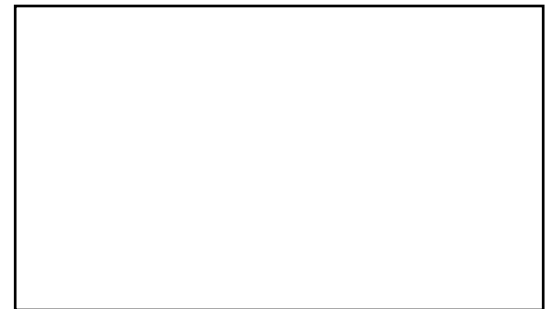


# An Abuse of Notation

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- We will use complex baseband signal representations
- We will drop the superscript  $b$ :

$$\underbrace{s^b(t)}_{\text{Old}} \equiv \underbrace{s(t)}_{\text{New}}$$



# Complex Random Variables

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- **General complex random process:**

$$\underline{z}(t) = \underline{x}(t) + j\underline{y}(t)$$

- **Mean:**

$$E[\underline{z}(t)] = E[\underline{x}(t)] + jE[\underline{y}(t)] \equiv \underline{\mu}(t)$$

- **Zero-mean:**

$$\underline{\mu}(t) = 0$$



# Circular Random Processes

$$\underline{z}(t) = \underline{x}(t) + j\underline{y}(t)$$

**Circular or Goodman class:**

$$E \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x}(u)\underline{x}(v) & \underline{x}(u)\underline{y}(v) \\ \underline{y}(u)\underline{x}(v) & \underline{y}(u)\underline{y}(v) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sigma^2(u), & u = v \\ \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha(u,v) & -\beta(u,v) \\ \beta(u,v) & \alpha(u,v) \end{bmatrix} \sigma(u)\sigma(v), & u \neq v \end{cases}$$



# Correlation Function

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$$\underline{z}(t) = \underline{x}(t) + j\underline{y}(t)$$

- **Correlation function** for a circular-complex random process:

$$R_z(u, v) = E(\underline{z}(u)\underline{z}^*(v))$$

$$= \begin{cases} \sigma^2(u), & u = v \\ [\alpha(u, v) + j\beta(u, v)]\sigma(u)\sigma(v), & u \neq v \end{cases}$$



# WSS Processes

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- **Wide sense stationary:**

$$R_z(u, v) = E[\underline{z}(u)\underline{z}^*(v)] = R_z(\underbrace{u-v}_{\tau}) \equiv R_z(\tau)$$

- **Property:**  $R_z(-\tau) = R_z^*(\tau)$



# Formulation for $N$ Sources

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{e}(\vec{k}_n) s_n(t) \quad \vec{\mathbf{k}} = [\vec{k}_1, \dots, \vec{k}_N]$$

**J&D call  
this  $\mathbf{S}$   
which is a  
horrible idea**

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}(\vec{k}_1) & \dots & \mathbf{e}(\vec{k}_N) \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{D}(\vec{\mathbf{k}})} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ s_N(t) \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{s}(t)} = \mathbf{D}(\vec{\mathbf{k}}) \mathbf{s}(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_0(t) \\ \vdots \\ y_{M-1}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \exp \left( \begin{bmatrix} -j\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{x}_0 & \dots & -j\vec{k}_N \cdot \vec{x}_0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ -j\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{x}_{M-1} & \dots & -j\vec{k}_N \cdot \vec{x}_{M-1} \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} s_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ s_N(t) \end{bmatrix}$$





# Another Common Notation

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{e}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_n) s_n(t) & \boldsymbol{\theta}_n &= [\phi_n, \theta_n] \\ &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) & \cdots & \mathbf{e}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_N) \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\Theta})} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ s_N(t) \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{s}(t)} = \mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\Theta}) \mathbf{s}(t) \end{aligned}$$
$$\boldsymbol{\Theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\theta}_1 & \cdots & \boldsymbol{\theta}_N \end{bmatrix} = [\phi_1, \theta_1, \dots, \phi_N, \theta_N]$$



# Noise Model

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- **Add noise**
  - Background radiation
  - Receiver electronics

$$\underline{\mathbf{y}}(t) = \mathbf{D}(\underline{\boldsymbol{\Theta}})\mathbf{s}(t) + \underline{\mathbf{n}}(t)$$

- **Usually assume noise is a zero-mean, circular complex, wide-sense-stationary random process**



# Sampled Data (1)

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- **Sample signal with sample spacing  $T$**
- **There is a random process equivalent of Shannon's sampling theorem**
  - **Involves the power spectrum**
  - **Often covered in ECE7251**
  - **Many subtleties that I will gloss over**



# Sampled Data

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$$\underline{\mathbf{y}}(t) = \mathbf{D}(\Theta)\mathbf{s}(t) + \underline{\mathbf{n}}(t)$$

$$t = kT$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{y}}(kT) = \mathbf{D}(\Theta)\mathbf{s}(kT) + \underline{\mathbf{n}}(kT)$$

**Abuse:**  $\underline{\mathbf{y}}(k) = \mathbf{D}(\Theta)\mathbf{s}(k) + \underline{\mathbf{n}}(k)$



# Two Signal Models

1. Signals  $s_n(t)$  are deterministic, but usually unknown, functions

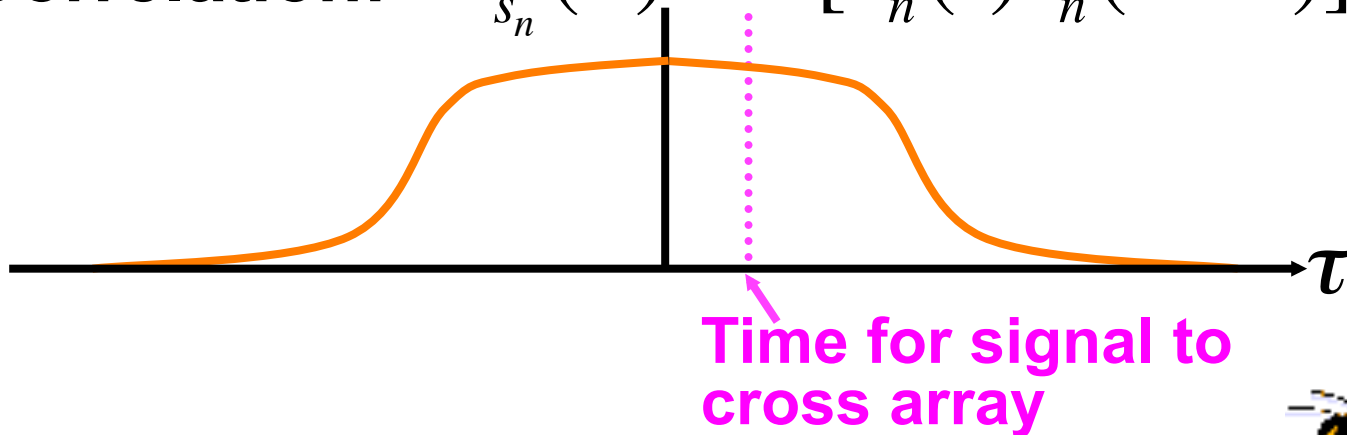
$$\underline{y}(t) = \mathbf{D}(\Theta)\underline{s}(t) + \underline{n}(t)$$

2. Signals  $s_n(t)$  are **wide sense stationary** circular-complex random processes:

$$\underline{y}(t) = \mathbf{D}(\Theta)\underline{s}(t) + \underline{n}(t)$$

Signal and noise  
uncorrelated

Correlation:  $R_{s_n}(\tau) = E[s_n(t)s_n^*(t + \tau)]$



# Snapshot Assumptions

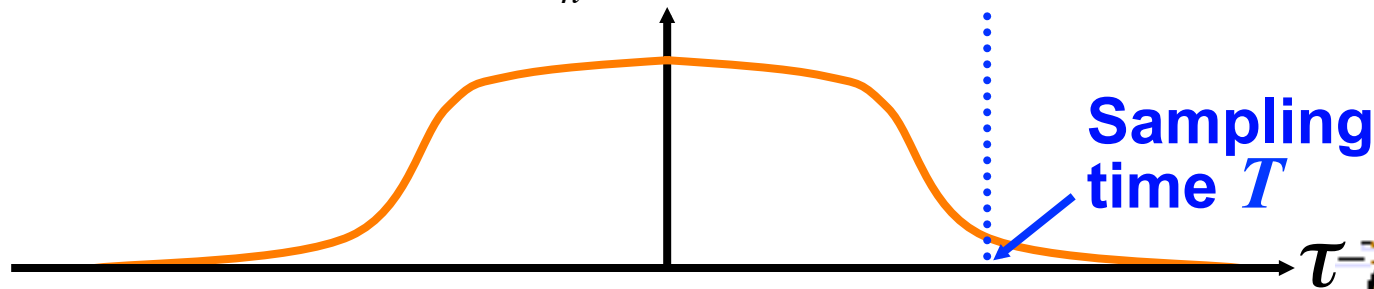
- Usually assume “snapshots” (discrete-time samples) are uncorrelated

**Deterministic:**  $\underline{y}(k) = \mathbf{D}(\Theta)\underline{s}(k) + \underline{n}(k)$

**Stochastic:**  $\underline{y}(k) = \mathbf{D}(\Theta)\underline{s}(k) + \underline{n}(k)$

- This is usually an approximation; they're rarely truly uncorrelated

**Correlation:**  $R_{s_n}(\tau) = E[s_n(t)s_n^*(t + \tau)]$



# Correlation Matrices

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- Usually characterize the noise with a single correlation matrix

$$\mathbf{R}_n = E[\underline{\mathbf{n}}(k)\underline{\mathbf{n}}^H(k)]$$

- In the stochastic signal model, usually characterize the signal with a single correlation matrix

$$\mathbf{R}_s = E[\underline{\mathbf{s}}(k)\underline{\mathbf{s}}^H(k)] = \mathbf{C} \text{ in J\&D}$$

(careful – J&D use  $\mathbf{R}_s$  differently)

- Over long time periods, statistics may change, and correlation matrices become a function of time

$$\mathbf{R}_s(k), \mathbf{R}_n(k)$$



# Signal Correlation Matrices

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- **Signal correlation matrix is often modeled as diagonal**
- **If not diagonal, usually a symptom of multipath reflections**





# Noise Correlation Matrices

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- Usually assume noise is zero mean
- Receiver-noise-only model yields uniform diagonal correlation matrix:

$$\mathbf{R}_n = \mathbf{K}_n = \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}$$

- Background radiation may result in more complicated noise correlation with off-diagonal terms



# Data Correlation for Stochastic Signals (1)

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$$\underline{\mathbf{y}}(k) = \mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\Theta})\underline{\mathbf{s}}(k) + \underline{\mathbf{n}}(k)$$

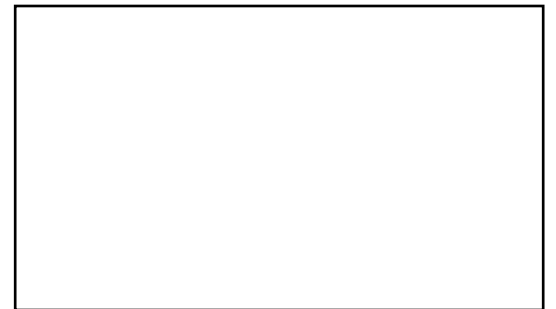
$$\mathbf{R}_y = E[\underline{\mathbf{y}}\underline{\mathbf{y}}^H]$$

$$= E[\{\mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\Theta})\underline{\mathbf{s}} + \underline{\mathbf{n}}\}\{\mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\Theta})\underline{\mathbf{s}} + \underline{\mathbf{n}}\}^H]$$

$$= E[\mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\Theta})\underline{\mathbf{s}}\underline{\mathbf{s}}^H \mathbf{D}^H(\boldsymbol{\Theta})] + E[\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{n}}^H]$$

$$+ E[\mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\Theta})\underline{\mathbf{s}}\underline{\mathbf{n}}^H] + E[\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{s}}^H \mathbf{D}^H(\boldsymbol{\Theta})]$$

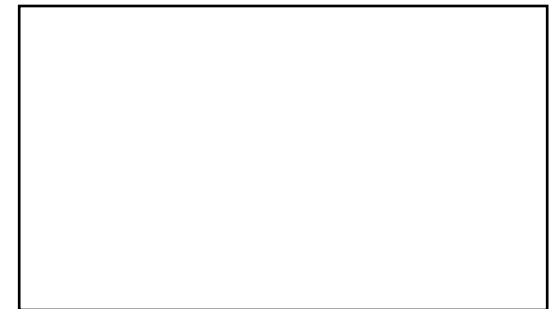
$$= E[\mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\Theta})\underline{\mathbf{s}}\underline{\mathbf{s}}^H \mathbf{D}^H(\boldsymbol{\Theta})] + E[\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{n}}^H]$$



## Data Correlation for Stochastic Signals (2)

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{R}_y &= E[\mathbf{D}(\Theta)\underline{\underline{\mathbf{s}}}\underline{\underline{\mathbf{s}}}^H \mathbf{D}^H(\Theta)] + E[\underline{\underline{\mathbf{n}}}\underline{\underline{\mathbf{n}}}^H] \\ &= \mathbf{D}(\Theta)E[\underline{\underline{\mathbf{s}}}\underline{\underline{\mathbf{s}}}^H] \mathbf{D}^H(\Theta) + E[\underline{\underline{\mathbf{n}}}\underline{\underline{\mathbf{n}}}^H] \\ &= \mathbf{D}(\Theta)\mathbf{R}_s \mathbf{D}^H(\Theta) + \mathbf{R}_n\end{aligned}$$



# General Correlation Matrix Properties

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- **Hermitian (conjugate) symmetry:**

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}^H$$

- Implies real eigenvalues
- Implies eigenvectors associated with distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal

- **Nonnegative definiteness:**

$$\mathbf{a} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{a}^H \geq 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{a} \neq 0$$

- Implies nonnegative eigenvalues



# Eigenvector Matrix

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- Eigenvector-eigenvalue relationship:

$$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$$

- Form eigenvector matrix:

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_M \end{bmatrix}$$

- If  $\mathbf{R}$  has distinct eigenvalues, then eigenvectors are orthogonal, and hence  $\mathbf{V}$  is unitary:

$$\mathbf{V}^H \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}$$



# Eigenexpansions

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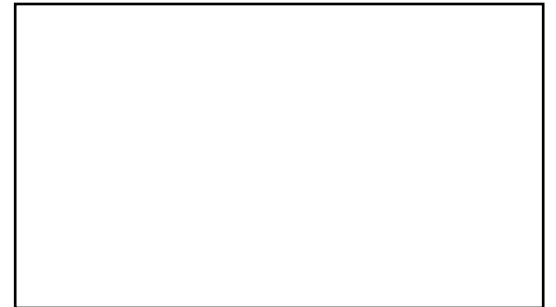
$$\mathbf{V}^H \mathbf{R} \mathbf{V} = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_M)$$

- Since  $\mathbf{V}$  is unitary:

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{V} \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_M) \mathbf{V}^H = \sum_{m=1}^M \lambda_m \mathbf{v}_m \mathbf{v}_m^H$$

- Note  $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v}$  means  $\frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{v}$

$$\mathbf{R}^{-1} = \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{1}{\lambda_m} \mathbf{v}_m \mathbf{v}_m^H$$



# Quadratic Forms

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- Sometimes this comes in handy:

$$\mathbf{a}^H \mathbf{R} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}^H \left( \sum_{m=1}^M \lambda_m \mathbf{v}_m \mathbf{v}_m^H \right) \mathbf{a}$$
$$= \sum_{m=1}^M \lambda_m \left| \mathbf{a}^H \mathbf{v}_m \right|^2$$

