

# Digital Signal Processing

Spectrum estimation

# Review

- ▶ Sampling
- ▶ Fourier analysis
- ▶ Digital filtering
- ▶ Multirate DSP

# Introduction


- ▶ Given a wide stationary sense (WSS) random process  $x[k]$  the PSD is defined by:

$$S_x(\omega) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} E \left\{ \frac{1}{2M+1} \left| \sum_{n=-M}^M x[n] e^{-j\omega n} \right|^2 \right\}$$

$$S_x(\omega) = \mathcal{F}\{r_x[k]\}$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} r_x[k] e^{-j\omega k}$$

$$\underbrace{r_x[k] = E\{x[n]x^*[n+k]\}}_{\text{ACF of RP } x[n]}$$



# Introduction

- ▶ We have to deal with:
  1. Expectation or ensemble averaging BUT in practice we get only ONE realization from the ensemble
  2. Fourier transform of infinite length BUT in practice we get only a finite number of samples

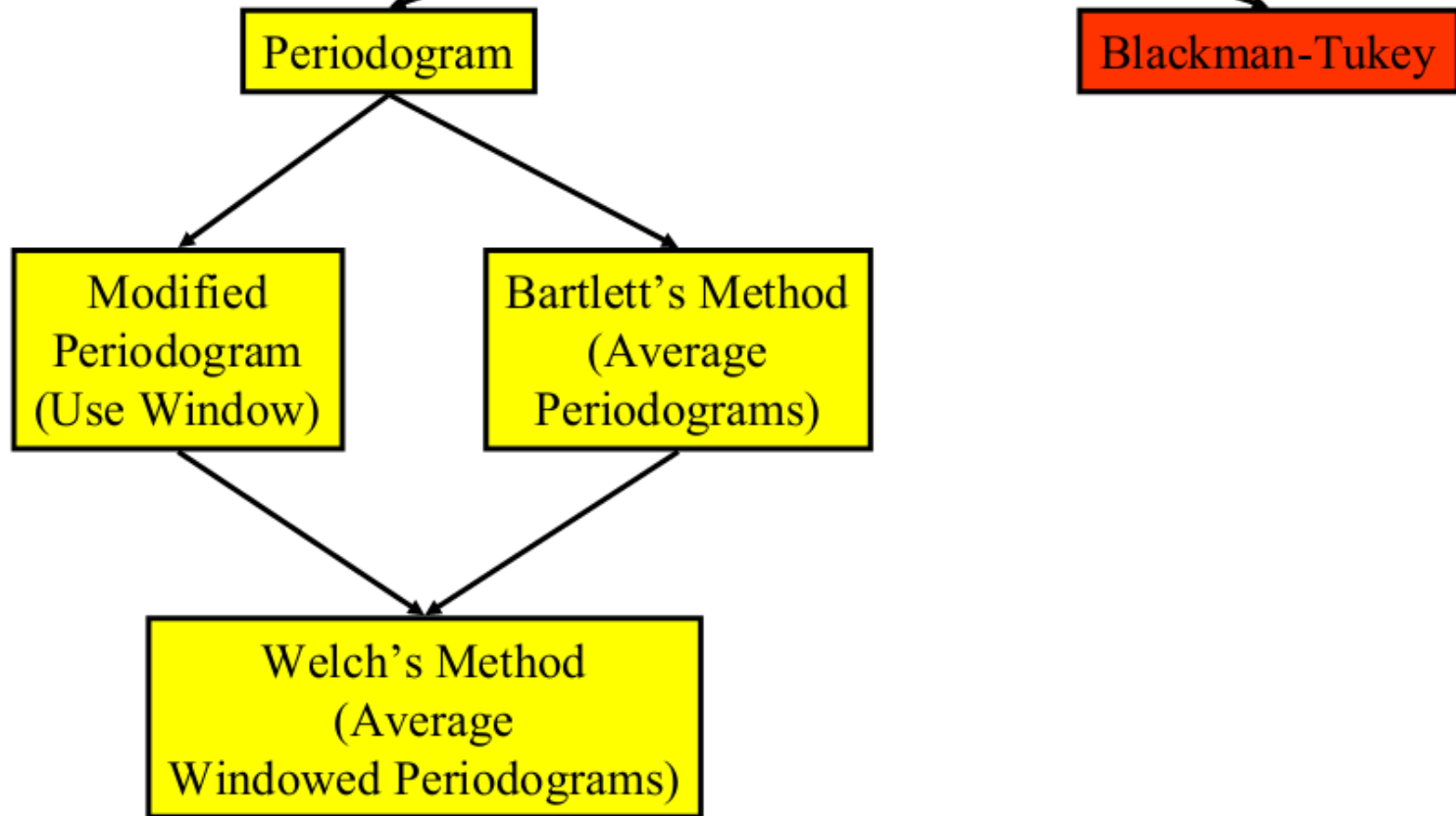
# Introduction

- ▶ Given these limitations, two approaches come up:
  1. Compute the DFT of the signal and then do some form of averaging
  2. Compute and estimate of the ACF using some form of averaging and then compute the DFT

# Introduction

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# Periodogram

$$S_x(\omega) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} E \left\{ \frac{1}{2M+1} \left| \sum_{n=-M}^M x[n] e^{-j\omega n} \right|^2 \right\}$$

- ▶ In practice we have one set of finite-duration data.
- ▶ Two Practical Problems:
  1. Can't do the expected value
  2. Can't do the limit
- ▶ The periodogram is a method that ignores them both !!!

$$\hat{S}_{PER}(\omega) = \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j\omega n} \right|^2$$

# Periodogram

- ▶ Desirable estimator features:

- “correct on average” or unbiased:

$$E\{\hat{A}\} = A$$

- or at least asymptotically unbiased:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} E\{\hat{A}\} = A$$



# Periodogram

- ▶ Desirable estimator features:
  - small fluctuations from estimate to estimate

$$\text{var}\{\hat{A}\} = \textit{small}$$

- or at least asymptotically *small*

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \text{var}\{\hat{A}\} = 0$$

# Periodogram

- ▶ For spectrum estimation we want:

$$E\{\hat{S}_x(\omega)\} = S_x(\omega)$$

$$\text{var}\{\hat{S}_x(\omega)\} = \textit{small}$$

# Periodogram: bias

$$E\{\hat{S}_{PER}(\omega)\} = \frac{1}{N} E\left\{\left|\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]e^{-j\omega n}\right|^2\right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} E\left\{\left[\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]e^{-j\omega n}\right] \left[\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} x^*[m]e^{j\omega m}\right]\right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} r_x[n-m] e^{-j\omega(n-m)}$$

$$= \sum_{k=-(N-1)}^{N-1} \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{|k|}{N}\right)}_{w_B[k]} r_x[k] e^{-j\omega k}$$

“Sum On Diagonals”  
 $r_x[n-m]$  is constant on  
 each diagonal

Bartlett (Triangle) Window

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} S_x(\omega) \underset{circ}{*} W_B(\omega) \neq S_x(\omega)$$

# Periodogram: bias

- ▶ The periodogram is biased
- ▶ But ...

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} E\{\hat{S}_{PER}(\omega)\} &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=-(N-1)}^{N-1} \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{|k|}{N}\right)}_{\rightarrow 1} r_x[k] e^{-j\omega k} \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} r_x[k] e^{-j\omega k} = S_x(\omega)\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ It is asymptotically unbiased

# Periodogram: variance

- ▶ The variance of the Periodogram does NOT (in general) tend to zero as  $N \rightarrow \infty$
- ▶ Under this assumption, complex-valued white Gaussian process w/ zero mean and variance  $\sigma^2$

$$S(\omega) = \sigma^2, \quad \forall \omega \quad \& \quad r_x[k] = \sigma^2 \delta[k]$$

$$\text{var} \left\{ \hat{S}_{PER}(\omega) \right\} = \sigma^4$$

# Periodogram summary

- ▶ Biased Estimate
- ▶ Variance does NOT decrease with increasing  $N$
- ▶ Rapid Fluctuations

# Modified Periodogram

$$\hat{S}_{MP}(\omega) = \frac{1}{NU} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]w[n]e^{-j\omega n} \right|^2$$

$$U = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} |w[n]|^2$$

- ▶ Has reduced bias but is still biased
- ▶ Remains asymptotically unbiased
- ▶ Roughly equal periodogram's variance

# Bartlett's Method

- ▶ Introduces averaging of  $k$  blocks
- ▶ The signal data of length  $N$  is chopped into  $K$  non-overlapping blocks of length  $L$

$$N = KL$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{S}_B(\omega) &= \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=0}^{K-1} \frac{1}{L} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x_i[n] e^{-j\omega n} \right|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{K-1} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x_i[n] e^{-j\omega n} \right|^2\end{aligned}$$



# Bartlett's Method

- ▶ Ensemble averaging is implemented as time averaging → ergodicity assumption
- ▶ Implicit assumptions:
  - Ergodic process: “A process is ergodic if time averaging of any realization is equivalent to ensemble averaging”

# Bartlett's Method

- ▶ Averaging k blocks improves the variance

$$\text{var}\{\hat{S}_B(\omega)\} \approx \frac{1}{K} S_x^2(\omega)$$

- ▶ But for a given data length N
  - More Blocks means Shorter Blocks
  - Shorter Blocks means poorer resolution
- ▶ Trade off between variance and resolution

# Up to now ...

- ▶ Windowing reduces bias
- ▶ Averaging reduces variance
- ▶ Then use both ! → Welch's method

# Welch's method

- ▶ Averaged and windowed periodogram

$$\hat{S}_W(\omega) = \frac{1}{KLU} \sum_{i=0}^{K-1} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x_i[n] w[n] e^{-j\omega n} \right|^2$$

- ▶ Also uses block overlap (50% typically)

# Welch's method: variance

- ▶ For 50% block overlap

$$\text{var}\{\hat{S}_W(\omega)\} \approx \frac{9}{16} \frac{L}{N} S_x^2(\omega)$$

- ▶ Almost 50% reduction compared to Bartlett's method for the same N and L

$$\text{var}\{\hat{S}_W(\omega)\} \approx \frac{9}{16} \text{var}\{\hat{S}_B(\omega)\}$$

# Hands on

- ▶ Seno + ruido (probar varias distrs)
- ▶ Probar ergodicidad estudiando  
time/ensemble avgs

# Next

- ▶ Adaptive filtering
- ▶ Time–frequency analysis