

# Week 8 Notes

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## Difference Equations of Sinusoids

A signal consisting of  $p$  sinusoidal components has the difference equation:

$$x(n) = - \sum_{m=1}^{2p} a_m x(n-m) \quad (14.5.2)$$

This corresponds to a system with the system function:

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{m=1}^{2p} a_m z^{-m}} \quad (14.5.3)$$

From the polynomial  $A(z)$ , we observe that the system has  $2p$  poles on the unit circle which correspond to the frequencies of the sinusoids

$$A(z) = 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{2p} a_m z^{-m} \quad (14.5.4)$$

Now, suppose that the sinusoids are corrupted by a white noise sequence  $w(n)$  with zero mean and variance  $\sigma_w^2$ :

$$y(n) = x(n) + w(n) \quad (14.5.5)$$

The difference equation for (14.5.5) is an ARMA( $2p, 2p$ ) process that can be expressed in matrix form:

$$\mathbf{Y}^t \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{W}^t \mathbf{a} \quad (14.5.7)$$

where:

- $\mathbf{Y}^t = [y(n) \ y(n-1) \ \dots \ y(n-2p)]$  is the observed data vector of size  $2p+1$
- $\mathbf{W}^t = [w(n) \ w(n-1) \ \dots \ w(n-2p)]$  is the noise vector of size  $2p+1$
- $\mathbf{a} = [1 \ a_1 \ \dots \ a_{2p}]$  is the coefficients vector

If we multiply (14.5.7) by  $\mathbf{Y}$  and take the expected value, we obtain the following:

$$(\Gamma_{yy} - \sigma_w^2 \mathbf{I})\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0} \quad (14.5.9)$$

where:

- $\Gamma_{yy}$  is the autocorrelation matrix
- $\sigma_w^2$  is an eigenvalue of the autocorrelation matrix
- $\mathbf{a}$  is the eigenvector associated with the eigenvalue  $\sigma_w^2$

In MATLAB, we can compute the autocorrelation matrix as follows:

$$\mathbf{R}_{yy} = \text{toeplitz}(\text{xcorr}(y))$$

## The Pisarenko harmonic decomposition method

The Pisarenko method is used to estimate the power spectrum density of a random process.

The method makes two assumptions:

- The signal  $x(n)$  consists of  $p$  sinusoids that has been corrupted by white noise.
- The autocorrelation matrix of size  $(p+1) \times (p+1)$  is known or can be estimated

Given these assumptions, the Pisarenko method can recover the sinusoidal frequencies of the corrupted signal using the following steps:

**Step 1:** Compute the autocorrelation matrix  $\mathbf{R}_{yy}$

**Step 2:** Find the minimum eigenvalue and the corresponding eigenvector. The elements of this eigenvector is the parameters of the ARMA(2p, 2p) model

**Step 3:** Find the frequencies  $\{f_i\}$  of the sinusoids. This can be done by computing the roots of the polynomial  $A(z)$  in (14.5.4). This polynomial has  $2p$  poles on the unit circle which correspond to the frequencies of the system.

$$A(z) = 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{2p} a_m z^{-m} \quad (14.5.4)$$

**Step 4:** Solve Eq. (14.5.11) for the signal powers  $\{P_i\}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos 2\pi f_1 & \cos 2\pi f_2 & \cdots & \cos 2\pi f_p \\ \cos 4\pi f_1 & \cos 4\pi f_2 & \cdots & \cos 4\pi f_p \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \cos 2\pi p f_1 & \cos 2\pi p f_2 & \cdots & \cos 2\pi p f_p \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \\ \vdots \\ P_p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_{yy}(1) \\ \gamma_{yy}(2) \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_{yy}(p) \end{bmatrix} \quad (14.5.11)$$

where

- $\gamma_{yy}(1), \gamma_{yy}(2), \dots, \gamma_{yy}(p)$  are the autocorrelation values
- $P_i = \frac{A_i^2}{2}$  is the average power of the  $i$ th sinusoid and  $A_i$  is the corresponding amplitude