

Detecting Parametric Signals in Noise Having Exactly Known Pdf/Pmf

Reading:

- Ch. 5 in Kay-II.
- (Part of) Ch. III.B in Poor.

Detecting Parametric Signals in Noise w Having Exactly Known Pdf/Pmf $p_w(w)$ (Bayesian Decision-theoretic Approach)

Consider the simple binary signal-detection problem:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}_0 : \quad & \mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\mu}_0(\varphi) + \mathbf{w} \quad \text{versus} \\ \mathcal{H}_1 : \quad & \mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\mu}_1(\varphi) + \mathbf{w}\end{aligned}$$

where

- $\boldsymbol{\mu}_0(\varphi)$ and $\boldsymbol{\mu}_1(\varphi)$ are *known* vector-valued functions of the nuisance parameter φ and
- the noise probability density or mass function (pdf/pmf) $p_w(\mathbf{w})$ is *exactly known*.

Recall our discussion on handling nuisance parameters on pp. **17–18** of handout # 5. Since we have simple hypotheses, we need to specify the Bernoulli prior pmf for the two hypotheses, using prior probabilities

$$\pi_0, \quad \pi_1 = 1 - \pi_0 \quad (\text{the Bernoulli pmf}).$$

Specializing the result in eq. (15) in handout # 5 (where we have assumed that the hypotheses and φ are independent *a*

priori, see eq. (14) in handout # 5) to the above scenario, we obtain the following Bayes' decision rule:

$$\Lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\int p_w(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1(\varphi)) \overbrace{\pi(\varphi)}^{\text{prior pdf of } \varphi} d\varphi}{\underbrace{\int p_w(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_0(\varphi)) \pi(\varphi) d\varphi}_{\text{integrated likelihood ratio}}} \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} \frac{\pi_0 L(1|0)}{\pi_1 L(0|1)}.$$

Example. Detection of on-off keying signals with unknown phase in additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN): Choose AWGN with $\Sigma = \sigma^2 I$ and known noise variance σ^2 , $\boldsymbol{\mu}_0(\varphi) = \mathbf{0}$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\mu}_1(\varphi) &= \mathbf{s}(\varphi) = \begin{bmatrix} s[0, \varphi] \\ s[1, \varphi] \\ \vdots \\ s[N-1, \varphi] \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \sin(0 \cdot \omega_c + \varphi) \\ a_1 \sin(1 \cdot \omega_c + \varphi) \\ \vdots \\ a_{N-1} \sin((N-1) \cdot \omega_c + \varphi) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N is a known amplitude sequence, ω_c is known carrier frequency, and φ is an unknown phase angle, independent of the noise, following $\pi(\varphi) = \text{uniform}(0, 2\pi)$.

Now, (1) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Lambda(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{p(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathcal{H}_1)}{p(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathcal{H}_0)} \\
 &= \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} p(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathcal{H}_1, \varphi) d\varphi}{\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} \underbrace{p(\mathbf{x} \mid \mathcal{H}_0, \varphi)}_{\text{indep. of } \varphi} d\varphi} \\
 &= \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2\pi} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (x[n] - s[n, \varphi])^2\right\} d\varphi}{\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (x[n])^2\right\}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \exp\left\{\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left[\left(\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] s[n, \varphi] \right) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (s[n, \varphi])^2 \right]\right\} d\varphi.
 \end{aligned}$$

We prefer to choose ω_c equal to an integer multiple of $2\pi/N$. For dense signal sampling (N large) and ω_c *not close* to 0 or π , we have [see eq. (III.B.67) in Poor]:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (s[n, \varphi])^2 = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a_n^2 \sin^2(n \cdot \omega_c + \varphi) \approx \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a_n^2 = \frac{N}{2} \overline{a^2}$$

where we have used the identity $\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x$ and the following definition:

$$\overline{a^2} \triangleq \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a_n^2.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Lambda(\mathbf{x}) &\approx \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left[\left(\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] s[n, \varphi] \right) - \frac{1}{4} N \overline{a^2} \right] \right\} d\varphi \\
&= \frac{\exp \left(-\frac{1}{4} \frac{N \overline{a^2}}{\sigma^2} \right)}{2\pi} \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] s[n, \varphi] \right) \right\} d\varphi \\
&= \frac{\exp \left(-\frac{1}{4} \frac{N \overline{a^2}}{\sigma^2} \right)}{2\pi} \cdot \\
&\quad \int_0^{2\pi} \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] a_n \cos \left(n \omega_c + \varphi - \frac{1}{2} \pi \right) \right\} d\varphi \\
&= \frac{\exp \left(-\frac{1}{4} \frac{N \overline{a^2}}{\sigma^2} \right)}{2\pi} \\
&\quad \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} \exp \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] a_n e^{j \left(n \omega_c + \varphi - \frac{1}{2} \pi \right)} \right\} \right) d\varphi \\
&= \frac{\exp \left(-\frac{1}{4} \frac{N \overline{a^2}}{\sigma^2} \right)}{2\pi} \\
&\quad \cdot \int_{\text{any } 2\pi \text{ interval}} \exp \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ z(\mathbf{x}) \exp \left[j \left(\varphi - \frac{1}{2} \pi \right) \right] \right\} \right) d\varphi \quad (2)
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$z(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] a_n \exp(j n \omega_c).$$

Clearly, (2) does not depend on $\angle z(\mathbf{x})$ and is, therefore, a function of $z(\mathbf{x})$ only through its magnitude $|z(\mathbf{x})|$. Furthermore, (2) is an increasing function of $|z(\mathbf{x})|$, implying that we can simplify our test to

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] a_n \exp(j n \omega_c) \right| \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} \text{a threshold } \gamma \iff \\ & \underbrace{\left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] a_n \exp(-j n \omega_c) \right|}_{\text{Fourier transform of } x[n] a_n} \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} \text{a threshold} \iff \\ & \underbrace{\left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] a_n \cos(n \omega_c) \right\}^2}_{\text{quadrature component}} + \underbrace{\left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] a_n \sin(n \omega_c) \right\}^2}_{\text{quadrature component}} \\ & \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} \text{a threshold} \end{aligned}$$

in both the Bayesian and Neyman-Pearson scenarios (as usual, only the choice of the threshold differs between the two scenarios). In this case, we can evaluate the integral (2)

exactly, yielding

$$\Lambda(\mathbf{x}) \approx \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4} \frac{N \overline{a^2}}{\sigma^2}\right) \cdot I_0\left(\frac{|z(\mathbf{x})|}{\sigma^2}\right)$$

where $I_0(\cdot)$ denotes the zeroth-order modified Bessel function of the first kind, which can be defined as follows:

$$I_0(|z|) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} e^{\operatorname{Re}\{ze^{j\varphi}\}} d\varphi.$$

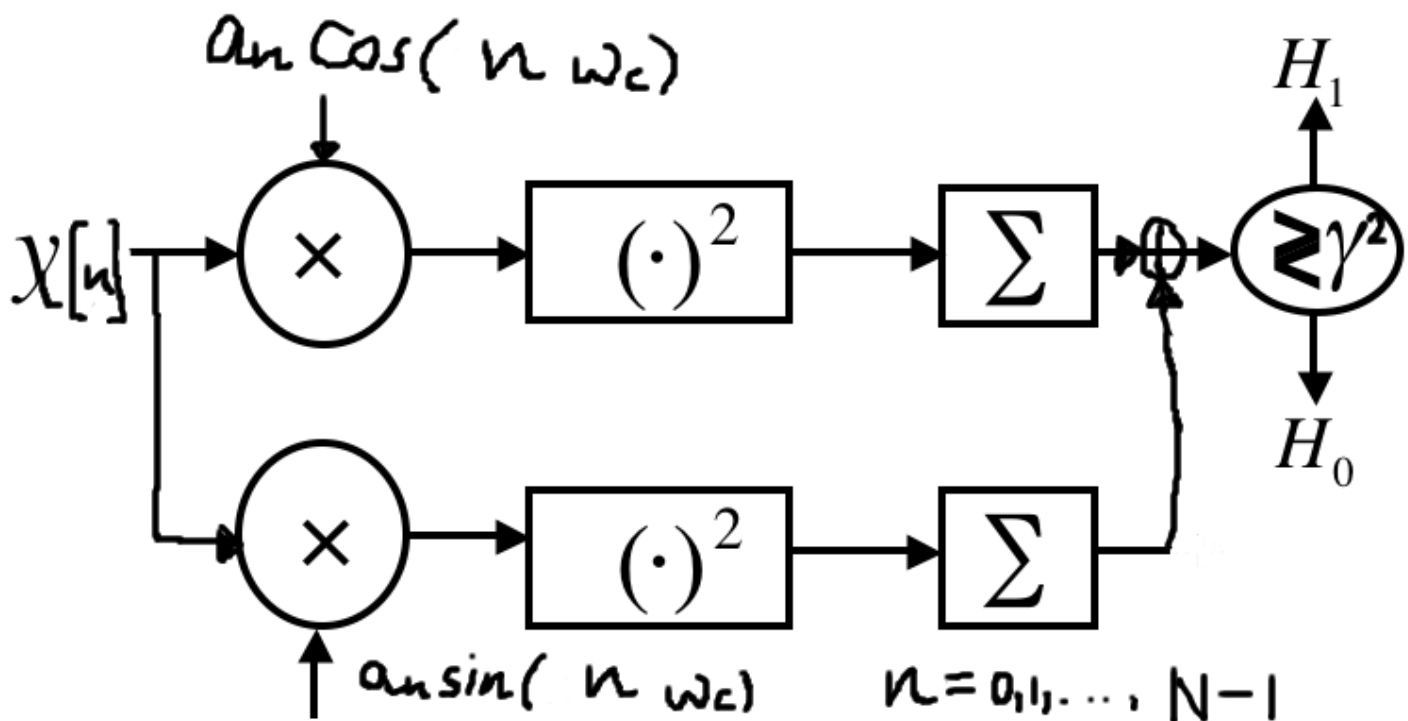
[Here, we can easily show that the right-hand side of the above expression is a function of $|z|$ only (i.e. independent of the phase $\angle z$):

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} e^{\operatorname{Re}\{ze^{j\varphi}\}} d\varphi \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} e^{\operatorname{Re}\{|z| e^{j(\angle z + \varphi)}\}} d\varphi \\ &\stackrel{\theta = \angle z + \varphi}{=} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{\text{any } 2\pi \text{ interval}} e^{\operatorname{Re}\{|z| e^{j\theta}\}} d\theta}_{\text{a function of } |z| \text{ only}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{\text{any } 2\pi \text{ interval}} e^{|z| \operatorname{Re}\{e^{j\theta}\}} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} e^{|z| \cos \theta} d\theta \triangleq I_0(|z|). \end{aligned}$$

] Therefore, our Bayes' decision rule simplifies to

$$|z(\mathbf{x})| \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} \underbrace{\sigma^2 \cdot I_0^{-1} \left(\exp \left(\frac{1}{4} \frac{N \bar{a}^2}{\sigma^2} \right) \cdot \frac{\pi_0 L(1|0)}{\pi_1 L(0|1)} \right)}_{\gamma}$$

leading to the following receiver structure:



Note: Here, to implement the the maximum-likelihood detection rule:

$$|z(\mathbf{x})| \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} \underbrace{\sigma^2 \cdot I_0^{-1} \left(\exp \left(\frac{1}{4} \frac{N \bar{a}^2}{\sigma^2} \right) \right)}_{\text{maximum-likelihood rule threshold}}$$

we need to know the AWGN noise variance σ^2 .

Detecting A Stochastic Signal in AWGN (Neyman-Pearson Approach)

Some signals have unknown waveform (e.g. speech signals or NDE defect responses). We may need to use stochastic models to describe such signals. We start with a simple independent-signal model, described below.

Estimator-correlator. Consider the following hypothesis test:

$$\mathcal{H}_0 : \quad x[n] = w[n], \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$\mathcal{H}_1 : \quad x[n] = s[n] + w[n], \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

where

- $s[n]$ are zero-mean independent Gaussian random variables with **known** variances $\sigma_{s,n}^2$, i.e. $s[n] \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{s,n}^2)$,
- the noise $w[n]$ is AWGN with **known variance** σ^2 , i.e. $w[n] \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$,
- $s[n]$ and $w[n]$ are independent.

Here is an alternative formulation. Consider the following

family of pdfs:

$$p(\mathbf{x} | C_s) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, C_s + \sigma^2 I)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\prod_{n=1}^N [2\pi(\sigma^2 + c_{s,n})]}} \cdot \exp \left[-\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(x[n])^2}{2(\sigma^2 + c_{s,n})} \right]$$

$$C_s = \text{diag}\{c_{s,1}, c_{s,2}, \dots, c_{s,N}\}$$

with

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x[1] \\ x[2] \\ \vdots \\ x[N] \end{bmatrix}$$

and the following (equivalent) hypotheses:

$$\mathcal{H}_0 : C_s = 0 \quad (\text{signal absent}) \quad \text{versus}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_1 : C_s = \text{diag}\{\sigma_{s,1}^2, \sigma_{s,2}^2, \dots, \sigma_{s,N}^2\} \quad (\text{signal present}).$$

Clearly, we have *integrated* $s[n]$, $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$ *out* to obtain the marginal likelihood $p(\mathbf{x} | \Sigma_s)$ under \mathcal{H}_1 .

Here, the only discrimination between the two hypotheses is in variance of the measurements (i.e. power of the received signal). The Neyman-Pearson detector computes the likelihood ratio:

$$\Lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | \text{diag}\{\sigma_{s,1}^2, \sigma_{s,2}^2, \dots, \sigma_{s,N}^2\})}{p(\mathbf{x} | 0)}.$$

Note that

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} - \frac{1}{\sigma^2 + \sigma_{s,n}^2} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_{s,n}^2}{\sigma^2 + \sigma_{s,n}^2}}_{\triangleq \kappa_n}$$

where we define

$$\kappa_n \triangleq \frac{\sigma_{s,n}^2}{\sigma^2 + \sigma_{s,n}^2}.$$

Let us compute the log likelihood ratio:

$$\begin{aligned} \log \Lambda(\mathbf{x}) &= \underbrace{\text{const}}_{\text{not a function of } \mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad - \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(x[n])^2}{2(\sigma^2 + \sigma_{s,n}^2)} + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(x[n])^2}{2\sigma^2} \\ &= \underbrace{\text{const}}_{\text{not a function of } \mathbf{x}} + \frac{2}{\sigma^2} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^N \kappa_n \cdot (x[n])^2 \end{aligned}$$

and, therefore, our test simplifies to (after ignoring the constant terms and scaling the log likelihood ratio by the positive constant $\sigma^2/2$):

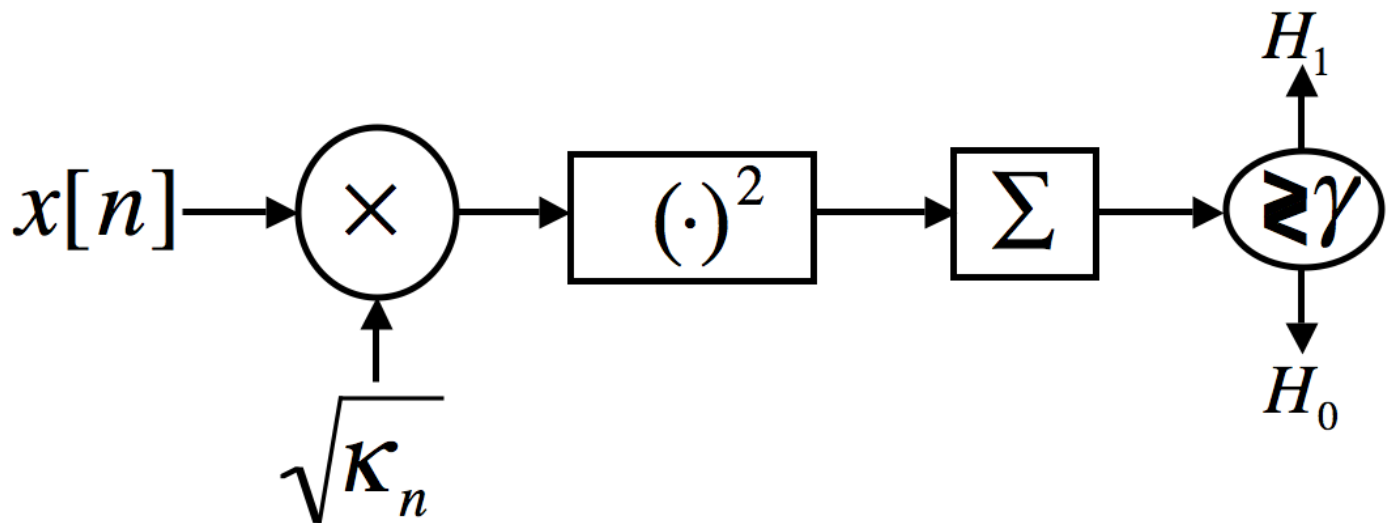
$$T(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{n=1}^N \kappa_n \cdot (x[n])^2 \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} \gamma \quad (\text{a threshold}).$$

We first provide two interpretations of this detector and then

generalize it to the case of correlated signal $s[n]$ having known covariance.

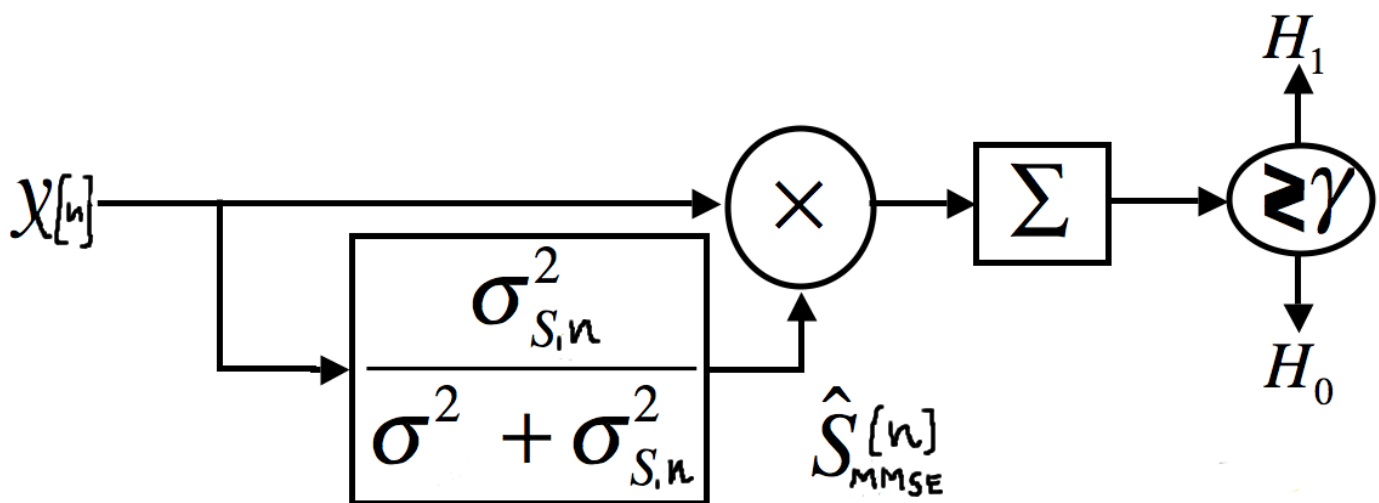
Filter-squarer interpretation:

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \kappa_n \cdot (x[n])^2 = \sum_{n=1}^N (\sqrt{\kappa_n} \cdot x[n])^2.$$



Estimator-correlator interpretation:

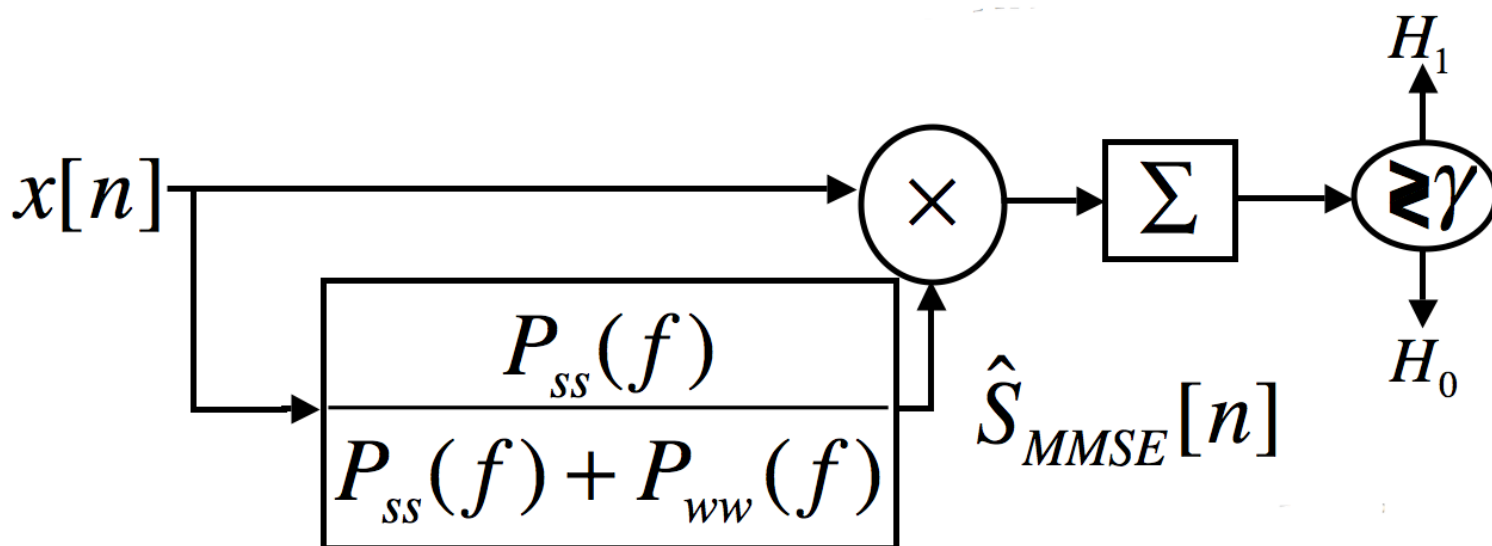
$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=1}^N \kappa_n \cdot (x[n])^2 &= \sum_{n=1}^N x[n] \cdot (\kappa_n x[n]) \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^N x[n] \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_{s,n}^2}{\sigma^2 + \sigma_{s,n}^2} x[n]}_{\text{E}[s[n] | y[n]] = \hat{s}_{\text{MMSE}}[n]} .
 \end{aligned}$$



(Asymptotic) Estimator-correlator: Wide-sense Stationary (WSS) signal $s[n]$ in WSS noise $w[n]$. Suppose that $s[n]$ and $w[n]$ are zero-mean WSS sequences with power spectral densities (PSDs)

$$P_{ss}(f) \quad \text{and} \quad P_{ww}(f), \quad f \in \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right].$$

Then, our estimator-correlator structure remains the same, with the estimator block modified accordingly:



which is an asymptotic estimator-correlator.

Estimator-correlator for Correlated Signal in the Form of a Linear Model

We extend the estimator-correlator to the case of correlated signal:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}_0 : \quad & x = \mathbf{w} \quad \text{versus} \\ \mathcal{H}_1 : \quad & x = \underbrace{H\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text{signal } \mathbf{s}} + \mathbf{w}\end{aligned}$$

where

- H is a known $N \times p$ matrix and $N \geq p$.
- the noise \mathbf{w} is zero-mean Gaussian with known covariance matrix $\Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}$:

$$p(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}).$$

- $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is *unknown*, with the following prior pdf:

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma_{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$$

where $\Sigma_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ is known.

We focus on the following general family of pdfs:

$$p(\mathbf{x} \mid C_s) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, C_s + \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}})$$

where C_s is a positive-definite covariance matrix. Then, the above hypothesis-testing problem can be equivalently stated as

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}_0 : \quad & C_s = 0 \quad \text{(signal absent)} \quad \text{versus} \\ \mathcal{H}_1 : \quad & C_s = H \Sigma_\theta H^T \quad \text{(signal present)}.\end{aligned}$$

The estimator-correlator test statistic is now

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T (H \Sigma_\theta H^T + \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}})^{-1} \mathbf{x}$$

Recall the matrix inversion lemma:

$$(A + BCD)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(C^{-1} + DA^{-1}B)^{-1}DA^{-1}$$

and use it as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(\Sigma_{\mathbf{w}} + H \Sigma_\theta H^T)^{-1} &= \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} \\ &\quad - \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H (\Sigma_\theta^{-1} + H^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H)^{-1} H^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

yielding

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{x}^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H \underbrace{(\Sigma_\theta^{-1} + H^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H)^{-1} H^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} \mathbf{x}}_{\mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{x}] \triangleq \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text{MMSE}}, \text{ see handout \# 4}}. \quad (3)$$

Example: Detecting a Sinusoid in a Rayleigh-fading Channel (Neyman-Pearson Approach)

Over a short time interval, the channel output is a constant-amplitude sinusoid with random amplitude and phase, i.e.

$$s[n] = A \cos(2\pi f_0 n + \varphi) = a \cos(2\pi f_0 n) + b \sin(2\pi f_0 n)$$

for $n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$. Let us choose independent, identically distributed (i.i.d.) Rayleigh fading:

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \underbrace{\sigma_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^2 I}_{\Sigma_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}})$$

implying

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \sim \text{a Rayleigh random variable} \\ \varphi &\sim \text{uniform}(0, 2\pi). \end{aligned}$$

With these assumptions, $s[n]$ is a WSS Gaussian random

process, since

$$\begin{aligned}
E(s[n]) &= 0 \\
E(s[n]s[n+k]) &= E\{[a \cos 2\pi f_0 n + b \sin 2\pi f_0 n] \\
&\quad \cdot [a \cos 2\pi f_0(n+k) + b \sin 2\pi f_0(n+k)]\} \\
&= \sigma_\theta^2 \cdot [\cos 2\pi f_0 n \cos 2\pi f_0(n+k) \\
&\quad + \sin 2\pi f_0 n \sin 2\pi f_0(n+k)] \\
&= \sigma_\theta^2 \cdot \left\{ \frac{\exp(j2\pi f_0 n) + \exp(-j2\pi f_0 n)}{2} \right. \\
&\quad \cdot \frac{\exp(j2\pi f_0(n+k)) + \exp(-j2\pi f_0(n+k))}{2} \\
&\quad + \frac{\exp(j2\pi f_0 n) - \exp(-j2\pi f_0 n)}{2j} \\
&\quad \cdot \left. \frac{\exp(j2\pi f_0(n+k)) - \exp(-j2\pi f_0(n+k))}{2j} \right\} \\
&= \sigma_\theta^2 \cos 2\pi f_0 k = r_{ss}[k]
\end{aligned}$$

for $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$. We now construct a linear model with

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \cos 2\pi f_0 & \sin 2\pi f_0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \cos 2\pi f_0(N-1) & \sin 2\pi f_0(N-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{w}} = \sigma^2 I \quad (\text{AWGN}).$$

Note that σ^2 and σ_θ^2 are assumed *known*. Now, (3) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} T(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{x}^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H (\Sigma_{\theta}^{-1} + H^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H)^{-1} H^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} \\ &= \frac{1}{2(\sigma^2)^2} \cdot \mathbf{x}^T H (\sigma_\theta^{-2} I + \sigma^{-2} H^T H)^{-1} H^T \mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

For large N and f_0 not too close to 0 or $\frac{1}{2}$,

$$H^T H \approx (N/2) I$$

see p. 157 in Kay-II. Furthermore,

$$H^T \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \cos 2\pi f_0 n \\ \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \sin 2\pi f_0 n \end{bmatrix}.$$

After scaling by the positive constant $2(\sigma^2)^2/(\sigma_\theta^{-2} + \sigma^{-2} N/2)$, our test statistic $T(\mathbf{x})$ simplifies to

$$T'(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \exp(-j2\pi f_0 n) \right|^2$$

which is nothing but the periodogram of $x[n]$, $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$ evaluated at frequency $f = f_0$, also known as the *quadrature or noncoherent matched filter*.

Performance Analysis for the Neyman-Pearson Setup:

Define

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} = \begin{bmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \end{bmatrix} = H^T \mathbf{x}.$$

Under \mathcal{H}_0 , we have only noise, implying that

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, H^T \sigma^2 I H \approx \underbrace{\frac{N\sigma^2}{2} I}_{\triangleq s_0^2}).$$

Under \mathcal{H}_1 , we have

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{0}, H^T (H \underbrace{\Sigma_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}}_{\sigma_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^2 I} H^T + \sigma^2 I) H\right).$$

We approximate the covariance matrix of $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ under \mathcal{H}_1 as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} H^T (H \Sigma_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} H^T + \sigma^2 I) H &\approx \sigma_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^2 (N/2)^2 I + \sigma^2 (N/2) I \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{N}{2} \left(\frac{N}{2} \sigma_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^2 + \sigma^2 \right)}_{\triangleq s_1^2} I. \end{aligned}$$

Now, under \mathcal{H}_0 ,

$$T'(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{N} (\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2) = \frac{s_0^2}{N} \underbrace{\left[\left(\underbrace{\frac{\xi_1}{s_0}}_{\substack{\text{standard} \\ \text{normal} \\ \text{random} \\ \text{variable}}} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\xi_2}{s_0} \right)^2 \right]}_{\chi_2^2 \text{ under } \mathcal{H}_0}$$

implying that

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{FA}} &= P[T'(\mathbf{X}) > \gamma \mid C_s = 0] \\ &= \overbrace{P\left[\underbrace{\frac{N T'(\mathbf{X})}{s_0^2}}_{\chi_2^2} > \frac{N \gamma}{s_0^2} \mid C_s = 0\right]}^{Q_{\chi_2^2}\left(\frac{N \gamma}{s_0^2}\right)} \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} N \gamma / s_0^2\right) \end{aligned}$$

see eq. (2.10) in Kay-II. Similarly, under \mathcal{H}_1 ,

$$\begin{aligned} P_D &= P[T'(\mathbf{X}) > \gamma \mid C_s = \sigma_\theta^2 H H^T] \\ &= P\left[\frac{N T'(\mathbf{X})}{s_1^2} > \frac{N \gamma}{s_1^2} \mid C_s = \sigma_\theta^2 H H^T\right] \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} N \gamma / s_1^2\right). \end{aligned}$$

But

$$-\frac{1}{2} N \gamma = s_0^2 \log P_{\text{FA}}$$

leading to

$$P_{\text{D}} = \exp \left(\frac{s_0^2}{s_1^2} \log P_{\text{FA}} \right) = P_{\text{FA}}^{s_0^2/s_1^2}.$$

Recall the expressions for s_0^2 and s_1^2 and compute their ratio:

$$\frac{s_1^2}{s_0^2} = \frac{\frac{N}{2} \left(\frac{N}{2} \sigma_{\theta}^2 + \sigma^2 \right)}{\frac{N \sigma^2}{2}} = \frac{N}{2} \frac{\sigma_{\theta}^2}{\sigma^2} + 1 = \frac{\bar{\eta}}{2} + 1$$

where

$$\bar{\eta} = \frac{N \sigma_{\theta}^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{N \text{E} \left[\overbrace{A^2}^{a^2+b^2} / 2 \right]}{\sigma^2} \equiv \text{average SNR}.$$

Hence

$$P_{\text{D}} = P_{\text{FA}}^{\frac{1}{1+\bar{\eta}/2}}.$$

P_{D} increases slowly with the average signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) $\bar{\eta}$ (see Figure 5.7 in Kay-II) because Rayleigh fading causes amplitude to be small with high probability.

Coherent channel \Rightarrow matched filter.

Noncoherent channel \Rightarrow quadrature matched filter.

Compare Figures 5.7 and 4.5 in Kay-II.

Noncoherent FSK in a Rayleigh-fading Channel (Bayesian decision-theoretic detection for 0-1 loss)

$$\mathcal{H}_0: x[n] = A \cos(2\pi f_0 n + \varphi) + w[n], \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$\mathcal{H}_1: x[n] = A \cos(2\pi f_1 n + \varphi) + w[n], \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

where, as before, A and φ are random phase and amplitude and

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w[0] \\ w[1] \\ \vdots \\ w[N-1] \end{bmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}).$$

We now focus on the following family of pdfs:

$$p(\mathbf{x} | H) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, H \Sigma_{\theta} H^T + \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}})$$

where Σ_{θ} is known. We can rewrite the above detection problem using the linear model as follows:

$$\mathcal{H}_0: \quad H = H_0 \quad \text{versus}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_1: \quad H = H_1$$

where $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x[1] \\ x[2] \\ \vdots \\ x[N] \end{bmatrix},$

$$H_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \cos 2\pi f_0 & \sin 2\pi f_0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \cos 2\pi f_0(N-1) & \sin 2\pi f_0(N-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \cos 2\pi f_1 & \sin 2\pi f_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \cos 2\pi f_1(N-1) & \sin 2\pi f_1(N-1) \end{bmatrix}.$$

For *a priori* equiprobable hypotheses

$$\pi(H = H_0) = \pi(H = H_1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

we have the maximum-likelihood test:

$$\frac{p(\mathbf{x} | H = H_1)}{p(\mathbf{x} | H = H_0)} \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} 1$$

i.e.

$$\frac{\frac{1}{|H_1 \Sigma_{\theta} H_1^T + \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}|^{1/2}} \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T (H_1 \Sigma_{\theta} H_1^T + \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}})^{-1} \mathbf{x} \right]}{\frac{1}{|H_0 \Sigma_{\theta} H_0^T + \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}|^{1/2}} \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T (H_0 \Sigma_{\theta} H_0^T + \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}})^{-1} \mathbf{x} \right]} \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} 1$$

which can be written as

$$\frac{\frac{1}{|H_1 \Sigma_{\theta} H_1^T + \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}|^{1/2}} \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{x}^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H_1 (\Sigma_{\theta}^{-1} + H_1^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H_1)^{-1} H_1^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} \right]}{\frac{1}{|H_0 \Sigma_{\theta} H_0^T + \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}|^{1/2}} \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{x}^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H_0 (\Sigma_{\theta}^{-1} + H_0^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} H_0)^{-1} H_0^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} \mathbf{x} \right]} \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} 1.$$

To further simplify the above test, we adopt additional assumptions. In particular, we assume i.i.d. Rayleigh fading:

$$\Sigma_{\theta} = \sigma_{\theta}^2 I$$

and AWGN

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{w}} = \sigma^2 I \quad (\text{AWGN}).$$

where σ^2 and σ_{θ}^2 are *known*. For large N and $f_i, i \in \{0, 1\}$ not too close to 0 or $\frac{1}{2}$,

$$H_i^T H_i \approx (N/2) I$$

see p. 157 in Kay-II. Now, we apply this approximation and the identities $|PQ| = |P| \cdot |Q|$ and $|I + AB| = |I + BA|$ to further

simplify the above determinant expressions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 |H_i \Sigma_{\theta} H_i^T + \Sigma_w| &= |\sigma_{\theta}^2 H_0 H_0^T + \sigma^2 I| \\
 &= |\sigma^2 I| \cdot |I + \frac{\sigma_{\theta}^2}{\sigma^2} H_0 H_0^T| \\
 &\approx (\sigma^2)^N \cdot \left| I_2 + \frac{\sigma_s^2}{\sigma^2} \frac{N}{2} I_2 \right|
 \end{aligned}$$

for $i \in \{0, 1\}$. Applying the above approximation and assumptions yields the simplified maximum-likelihood test:

$$\frac{\exp \left[\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \cdot \mathbf{x}^T H_1 (\sigma_{\theta}^2 I + \frac{N}{2\sigma^2} I)^{-1} H_1^T \mathbf{x} \right]}{\exp \left[\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \cdot \mathbf{x}^T H_0 (\sigma_{\theta}^2 I + \frac{N}{2\sigma^2} I)^{-1} H_0^T \mathbf{x} \right]} \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} 1.$$

and, equivalently,

$$\mathbf{x}^T H_1 H_1^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^T H_0 H_0^T \mathbf{x} \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} 0$$

or

$$\frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \exp(-j2\pi f_1 n) \right|^2 \stackrel{\mathcal{H}_1}{\geq} \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \exp(-j2\pi f_0 n) \right|^2.$$

For performance analysis of this detector (i.e. computing an approximate expression for the average error probability), see Example 5.6 in Kay-II.

Preliminaries

Let us define a matrix-variate circularly symmetric complex Gaussian pdf of an $p \times q$ random matrix Z with mean M (of size $p \times q$) and positive-definite covariance matrices S and Σ (of dimensions $p \times p$ and $q \times q$, respectively) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{N}_{p \times q}(Z | M, S, \Sigma) &= \frac{1}{\pi^{pq} |S|^q |\Sigma|^p} \\ &\quad \cdot \exp \left\{ -\text{tr}[\Sigma^{-1}(Z - M)^H S^{-1}(Z - M)] \right\} \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ -\text{tr}[\Sigma^{-1}(Z - M)^H S^{-1}(Z - M)] \right\} \\ &\propto \exp \left[-\text{tr}(\Sigma^{-1} Z^H S^{-1} Z) + \text{tr}(\Sigma^{-1} Z^H S^{-1} M) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \text{tr}(\Sigma^{-1} M^H S^{-1} Z) \right]\end{aligned}$$

where “ H ” denotes the Hermitian (conjugate) transpose.

Noncoherent Detection of Space-time Codes in a Rayleigh Fading Channel

Consider the multiple-input multiple-output (MIMO) flat-fading channel where the $n_R \times 1$ vector signal received by the receiver array at time t is modeled as

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = H\boldsymbol{\phi}(t) + \mathbf{w}(t), \quad t = 1, \dots, N$$

where H is the $n_R \times n_T$ channel-response matrix, $\boldsymbol{\phi}(t)$ is the $n_T \times 1$ vector of symbols transmitted by n_T transmitter antennas and received by the receiver array at time t , and $\mathbf{w}(t)$ is additive noise. Note that we can write the above model as

$$\underbrace{[\mathbf{x}(1) \cdots \mathbf{x}(N)]}_{\mathbf{X}} = H \underbrace{[\boldsymbol{\phi}(1) \cdots \boldsymbol{\phi}(N)]}_{\boldsymbol{\Phi}} + \underbrace{[\mathbf{w}(1) \cdots \mathbf{w}(N)]}_{\mathbf{W}} \quad (4)$$

Here, $\boldsymbol{\Phi}$ is a space-time code (multivariate “symbol”) belonging to an M -ary constellation:

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi} \in \{\boldsymbol{\Phi}_0, \boldsymbol{\Phi}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{M-1}\}.$$

We adopt *a priori* equiprobable hypotheses:¹

$$\pi(\Phi) = \frac{1}{M} \cdot i_{\{\Phi_0, \Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_{M-1}\}}(\Phi)$$

and assume that $\mathbf{w}(t)$, $t = 1, 2, \dots, N$ are zero-mean i.i.d. with known covariance

$$\text{cov}(\mathbf{w}(t)) = \sigma^2 I_{n_R}.$$

Now, the likelihood function for the measurement model (4) is

$$\begin{aligned} p(X | \Phi, H) &= \mathcal{N}_{n_R \times N}(X | H\Phi, \sigma^2 I, I) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi^{n_R N} |\sigma^2 I|^N} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}[(X - H\Phi)^H (X - H\Phi)] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We assume that Φ and H are independent *a priori*, i.e.

$$\pi(\Phi, H) = \pi(\Phi) \pi(H)$$

where $\pi(\Phi)$ is given in (5) and $\pi(H)$ is chosen according to

¹Here, $i_A(x)$ denotes the indicator function:

$$i_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in A, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

the following separable Rayleigh-fading model:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi(H) &= \mathcal{N}_{n_R \times n_T}(H \mid 0, I, \overbrace{\Delta_h}^{\text{transmitter fading corr. matrix}}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi^{n_R n_T} |\Delta_h|^{n_R}} \cdot \exp \left[-\text{tr}(\Delta_h^{-1} H^H H) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(\Phi, H \mid X) &\propto p(X \mid \Phi, H) \pi(\Phi) \pi(H) \\
 &\propto \exp \left[\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(\Phi^H H^H X) + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(X^H H \Phi) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(\Phi^H H^H H \Phi) \right] \cdot i_{\{\Phi_0, \Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_{M-1}\}}(\Phi) \\
 &\quad \cdot \exp \left[-\text{tr}(\Delta_h^{-1} H^H H) \right] \\
 &\propto \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(\Phi^H H^H X) + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(X^H H \Phi) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \text{tr} \left[\underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \Phi \Phi^H + \Delta_h^{-1} \right)}_{C_H(\Phi)^{-1}} H^H H \right] \right\} \cdot i_{\{\Phi_0, \Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_{M-1}\}}(\Phi)
 \end{aligned}$$

implying that

$$\begin{aligned}
& p(H \mid \Phi, X) \\
& \propto \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \operatorname{tr}(\Phi^H H^H X) + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \operatorname{tr}(X^H H \Phi) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - \operatorname{tr} \left[\left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \Phi \Phi^H + \Delta_h^{-1} \right) H^H H \right] \right\} \\
& \propto \exp \left[- \operatorname{tr} \{ C_H(\Phi)^{-1} H^H H \} + \operatorname{tr} \{ C_H(\Phi)^{-1} \hat{H}(\Phi)^H H \} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \operatorname{tr} \{ C_H(\Phi)^{-1} H^H \hat{H}(\Phi) \} \right] \\
& = \mathcal{N}_{n_R \times n_T} \left(H \mid \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X \Phi^H \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \Phi \Phi^H + \Delta_h^{-1} \right)^{-1}}_{\triangleq \hat{H}(\Phi)}, I, \right. \\
& \quad \left. \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \Phi \Phi^H + \Delta_h^{-1} \right)^{-1}}_{\triangleq C_H(\Phi)} \right) \\
& = \frac{1}{\pi^{n_R n_T} |C_H(\Phi)|^{n_R}} \\
& \quad \cdot \exp \left(- \operatorname{tr} \{ C_H(\Phi)^{-1} [H - \hat{H}(\Phi)]^H [H - \hat{H}(\Phi)] \} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

where we have defined

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{H}(\Phi) &\triangleq \frac{1}{\sigma^2} X \Phi^H C_H(\Phi) \\ C_H(\Phi) &\triangleq \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \Phi \Phi^H + \Delta_h^{-1} \right)^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

Note the following useful facts:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}[C_H(\Phi)^{-1} H^H \hat{H}(\Phi)] &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}[C_H(\Phi)^{-1} H^H X \Phi^H C_H(\Phi)] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(H^H X \Phi^H) \\ \text{tr}[C_H(\Phi)^{-1} \hat{H}(\Phi)^H H] &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}[C_H(\Phi)^{-1} C_H(\Phi) \Phi X^H H] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(\Phi X^H H).\end{aligned}$$

To obtain the marginal posterior pmf of Φ , we apply our

“notorious” trick:

$$p(\Phi | X) = \frac{p(\Phi, H | X)}{p(H | \Phi, X)}$$

\propto

keep track of the terms
containing Φ and H

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp \left[\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(\Phi^H H^H X) + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr}(X^H H \Phi) - \text{tr}(C_H(\Phi)^{-1} H^H H) \right] \\ & \cdot i_{\{\Phi_0, \Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_{M-1}\}}(\Phi) \cdot |C_H(\Phi)|^{n_R} \\ & \cdot \exp \left\{ \text{tr} \left[C_H(\Phi)^{-1} (H - \hat{H}(\Phi))^H (H - \hat{H}(\Phi)) \right] \right\} \\ & \propto i_{\{\Phi_0, \Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_{M-1}\}}(\Phi) \\ & \cdot |C_H(\Phi)|^{n_R} \cdot \exp \{ \text{tr} [C_H(\Phi)^{-1} \hat{H}(\Phi)^H \hat{H}(\Phi)] \} \\ & = i_{\{\Phi_0, \Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_{M-1}\}}(\Phi) \cdot |C_H(\Phi)|^{n_R} \\ & \cdot \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{(\sigma^2)^2} \text{tr} [C_H(\Phi)^{-1} C_H(\Phi) \Phi X^H X \Phi^H C_H(\Phi)] \right\} \\ & = i_{\{\Phi_0, \Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_{M-1}\}}(\Phi) \cdot |C_H(\Phi)|^{n_R} \\ & \cdot \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{(\sigma^2)^2} \text{tr} [\Phi X^H X \Phi^H C_H(\Phi)] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and the maximum-likelihood test becomes:

$$\mathcal{X}_m^* = \left\{ \mathbf{x} : m = \arg \max_{l \in \{0,1,\dots,M-1\}} \left(|C_H(\Phi_l)|^{n_R} \cdot \exp \left(\frac{1}{(\sigma^2)^2} \text{tr}[\Phi_l X^H X \Phi_l^H C_H(\Phi_l)] \right) \right) \right\}.$$

Unitary space-time codes and i.i.d. fading: Suppose that $\Phi_m \Phi_m^H = I_{n_T}$ for all m and the fading is i.i.d., i.e.

$$\Delta_h = \psi_h^2 I_{n_T}.$$

Then, the above maximum-likelihood test greatly simplifies:

$$\mathcal{X}_m^* = \left\{ \mathbf{x} : m = \arg \max_{l \in \{0,1,\dots,M-1\}} \text{tr}[\Phi_l X^H X \Phi_l^H] \right\}$$

which is the detector proposed in

B.M. Hochwald and T.L. Marzetta, *IEEE Trans. Inform. Theory*, vol. 46, pp. 543–564, March 2000.