

# System Identification

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# 1 SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION

## 2 DEFINITIONS

**Definition 1.** A system is said to be **time invariant** if the response to a certain input is not depending on absolute time.

**Definition 2.** A system is said to be **linear** if its output response to a linear combination of inputs is the same as the linear combination of the output responses of the individual inputs.

**Definition 3.** A system is said to be **causal** if the output at a certain time depends on the input up to that time only.

**Definition 4.** A process is said to be **stationary** if it does not depend on time.

## 3 FREQUENCY DOMAIN METHODS

### 3.1 SAMPLING OPERATION

$$y(k) = y(t)|_{t=kT, k=0,1,2,\dots} \quad \text{Sampling with period } T$$

### 3.2 FOURIER SERIES OF PERIODIC SIGNALS

$$X(e^{j\omega_m}) = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} x(k)e^{-j\omega_m k}$$

$$\omega_m = \frac{2\pi m}{M} = \omega_0$$

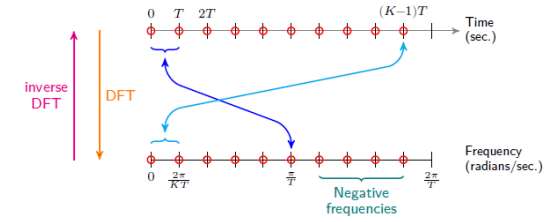
Non-negative frequencies are  $m = 0$  to  $m = M/s$ .

They correspond to:  $\omega_m = 0, \frac{2\pi}{M}, \frac{4\pi}{M}, \dots, \frac{2\pi(M/2-1)}{M}, \pi$ .

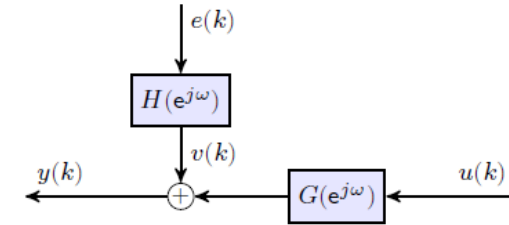
$M$	number of samples	
$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{M}$	fundamental frequency ( $y(k)$ )	[rad]
$T$	sampling time	[s]
$\tau_p = MT$	period	[s]
$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{\tau_p}$	fundamental frequency ( $y(t)$ )	[rad s <sup>-1</sup> ]

$$0, \underbrace{\frac{2\pi}{\tau_p}}_{\text{Fundamental frequency}}, \underbrace{2\left(\frac{2\pi}{\tau_p}\right), \dots, \frac{M}{2}\left(\frac{2\pi}{\tau_p}\right)}_{\text{Harmonics}}$$

**Definition 5.** The highest frequency  $\omega_u = \omega_{M/2} = \frac{\pi}{T}$  is called the **Nyquist frequency**.



## 4 SPECTRAL ESTIMATION



$$Y(j\omega) = G(j\omega)U(j\omega) \quad \text{Transfer function}$$

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) = G(e^{j\omega})U(e^{j\omega}) \quad \text{Discrete time TF}$$

$$\frac{\omega_u}{2\pi} = \frac{r}{NT}$$

$\omega_u$	input frequency	[rad s <sup>-1</sup> ]
$N$	calculation length	[ ]
$T$	experiment duration?	[s]
$r$	some integer	[ ]

$$u(k) = \alpha \cos(\omega_u k), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, K-1 \quad \text{with } K \geq N \quad \text{Input}$$

$$y(k) = \alpha |G(e^{j\omega_u})| \cos(\omega_u k + \theta(\omega_u)) + v(k) + \text{transient} \quad \text{Output}$$

where  $\theta(\omega_u) = \arg(G(e^{j\omega_u}))$

### 4.1 SINUSOIDAL CORRELATION METHODS

Correlation functions:

$$I_c(N) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} y(k) \cos(\omega_u k)$$

$$I_s(N) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} y(k) \sin(\omega_u k)$$

To calculate those from the data:

$$I_c(N) = \frac{\alpha}{2} \left| G(e^{j\omega_u}) \right| \cos(\theta(\omega_u)) + \frac{\alpha}{2} \left| G(e^{j\omega_u}) \right| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \cos(2\omega_u k + \theta(\omega_u)) + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} v(k) \cos(\omega_u k)$$

If the noise,  $v(k)$  is sufficiently uncorrelated then the variance satisfies,

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \text{var} \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} v(k) \cos(\omega_u k) \right\} = 0$$

with a convergence rate of  $1/N$ .

Thus in the limit  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} E \{ I_c(N) \} &\rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2} \left| G(e^{j\omega_u}) \right| \cos(\theta(\omega_u)) \\ E \{ I_s(N) \} &\rightarrow -\frac{\alpha}{2} \left| G(e^{j\omega_u}) \right| \sin(\theta(\omega_u)) \end{aligned}$$

and since  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \text{var} \{ I_c(N) \} = 0$ ,  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \text{var} \{ I_s(N) \} = 0$

The transfer function can be estimated via:

$$\hat{G}_N(e^{j\omega_u}) = \frac{I_c(N) - jI_s(N)}{\alpha/2}$$

- Advantages
  - Energy is concentrated at the frequencies of interest.
  - Amplitude of  $u(k)$  can easily be tuned as a function of frequency.
  - Easy to avoid saturation and tune signal/noise (S/N) ratio.
- Disadvantages
  - A large amount of data is required.
  - Significant amount of time required for experiments.
  - Some processes won't allow sinusoidal inputs.

## 5 FREQUENCY DOMAIN METHODS

- Autocorrelation
- Crosscorrelation
- Frequency domain representation
- Spectral density (energy or power)

$x(k)$ ,  $k = -\infty, \dots, \infty$  Discrete-time domain signal

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k) e^{-j\omega k} \quad \text{Fourier Transform}$$

$$x(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \pi X(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega k} d\omega \quad \text{Inverse Fourier Transform}$$

where  $k = -\infty, \dots, \infty$

### 5.1 FINITE ENERGY SIGNAL

#### 5.1.1 ENERGY SPECTRAL DENSITY (FINITE ENERGY SIGNAL)

If  $x(k)$  is a finite energy signal,

$$\|x(k)\|_2^2 = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |x(k)|^2 < \infty$$

$$S_x(e^{j\omega}) = |X(e^{j\omega})|^2 \quad \text{Energy Spectral Density}$$

**For all following calculations of the energy spectral density finiteness is assumed.**

#### 5.1.2 AUTOCORRELATION (FINITE ENERGY SIGNAL)

$$R_x(\tau) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x(k) x(k - \tau), \quad \tau = -\infty, \dots, 0, \dots, \infty$$

The spectral density is the Fourier Transform of the autocorrelation:

$$\sum_{\tau=-\infty}^{\infty} R_x(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau} = S_x(e^{j\omega})$$

$$\text{xcorr}(u) \quad \text{Autocorrelation}$$

$$\text{xcorr}(u,v) \quad \text{Crosscorrelation}$$

### 5.2 DISCRETE PERIODIC SIGNAL

$$x(k) = x(k + M), \quad \forall k \in \{-\infty, \infty\} \quad \text{Periodic signal}$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{M} \quad \text{Fundamental frequency}$$

- There are only  $M$  unique harmonics of the sinusoid  $e^{j\omega_0}$ .
- The non-negative harmonic frequencies are,

$$e^{jn\omega_0}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, M/2$$

### 5.2.1 DISCRETE FOURIER SERIES (DISCRETE PERIODIC SIGNAL)

$$X(e^{j\omega_n}) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x(k)e^{-j\omega_n k}, \text{ where } \omega_n = \frac{2\pi n}{N} = n\omega_0$$

$$x(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X(e^{j\omega_n})e^{j\omega_n k} \quad \text{Inverse Transform}$$

### 5.2.2 AUTOCORRELATION (DISCRETE PERIODIC SIGNAL)

$$R_x(\tau) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x(k)x(k-\tau)$$

The Fourier transform of  $R_x(\tau)$  is now defined as the **power spectral density**, since it is normalized with the signal length.

$$\phi_x(e^{j\omega_n}) = \sum_{\tau=0}^{N-1} R_x(\tau)e^{-j\omega_n \tau} = \frac{1}{N}|X(e^{j\omega_n})|^2$$

The energy in a single period is:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |x(k)|^2 = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \phi_x(e^{j\omega_n})$$

### 5.2.3 CROSS-CORRELATION (DISCRETE PERIODIC SIGNAL)

$$R_{yu}(\tau) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} y(k)u(k-\tau)$$

The Fourier transform of  $R_{yu}(\tau)$  is now defined as the **cross-spectral density**.

$$\phi_{yu}(e^{j\omega_n}) = \sum_{\tau=0}^{N-1} R_{yu}(\tau)e^{-j\omega_n \tau} = \frac{1}{N}Y(e^{j\omega_n})U^*(e^{j\omega_n})$$

## 5.3 RANDOM SIGNAL

Normally distributed noise:

$$e(k) \in \mathcal{N}(0, \lambda) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbb{E}[e(k)] = 0 \text{ (zero mean)} \\ \mathbb{E}[|e(k)|^2] = \lambda \text{ (variance)} \end{cases}$$

The  $e(k)$  are independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.).

### 5.3.1 AUTOCOVARIANCE (RANDOM SIGNAL)

$$\begin{aligned} R_x(\tau) &= \mathbb{E}[x(k)x(k-\tau)] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[x(k)x^*(k-\tau)] \text{ (in the complex case)} \\ &= \mathbb{E}[x(k)x^*(x-\tau)] \text{ (in the multivariable case)} \end{aligned}$$

General (non-stationary, non-zero mean) case:

$$\begin{aligned} R_x(s, t) &= \mathbb{E}[(x(s) - \mathbb{E}[x])(x(t) - \mathbb{E}[x])] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[x(s)x(t)] \text{ (if zero mean)} \\ &= R_x(s - t) \text{ (if stationary)} \end{aligned}$$

Further properties are

- $R_x(-\tau) = R_x^*(\tau)$
- $R_x(0) \geq |R_x(\tau)| \quad \forall \tau > 0$

### 5.3.2 POWER SPECTRAL DENSITY (RANDOM SIGNAL)

$$\phi_x(e^{j\omega}) := \sum_{\tau=-\infty}^{\infty} R_x(\tau)e^{-j\omega \tau} \text{ where } \omega \in [-\pi, \pi]$$

For a zero-mean random signal:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |x(k)|^2 = \text{Var}(x(k)) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi_x(e^{j\omega}) d\omega$$

Further properties are

- $\phi_x(e^{j\omega}) \in \mathbb{R}$
- $\phi_x(e^{j\omega}) \geq 0 \quad \forall \omega$
- $\phi_x(e^{j\omega}) = \phi_x(e^{-j\omega})$  for all real-valued  $x(k)$

### 5.3.3 CROSS-COVARIANCE (RANDOM SIGNAL)

$$R_{yu}(\tau) = \mathbb{E}[(y(k) - \mathbb{E}[y(k)])(u(k-\tau) - \mathbb{E}[u(k)])]$$

For zero mean signals:

$$R_{yu}(\tau) = \mathbb{E}[y(k)u(k-\tau)]$$

Joint stationarity is required to make the definition dependent on  $\tau$  only. If  $R_{yu}(\tau) = 0$  for all  $\tau$  then  $y(k)$  and  $u(k)$  are uncorrelated.

### 5.3.4 CROSS POWER SPECTRAL DENSITY (RANDOM SIGNAL)

$$\phi_{yu}(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{\tau=-\infty}^{\infty} R_{yu}(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau}, \quad \omega \in [-\pi, \pi)$$

The inverse is,

$$R_{yu}(\tau) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi_{yu}(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega\tau} d\omega$$

### 5.4 FINITE LENGTH SIGNAL

#### 5.4.1 DISCRETE-FOURIER TRANSFORM (FINITE LENGTH SIGNAL)

$$X_N(e^{j\omega_n}) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x(k) e^{-j\omega_n k}, \quad \text{where } \omega_n = \frac{2\pi n}{N}$$

The inverse DFT is

$$x(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} X_N(e^{j\omega_n}) e^{j\omega_n k}, \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1$$

#### 5.4.2 PERIODOGRAM (FINITE LENGTH SIGNAL)

$$\left| \frac{1}{N} V_N(e^{j\omega}) \right|^2$$

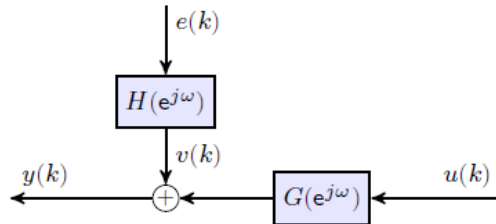
An asymptotically unbiased estimator of the spectrum is

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{1}{N} |V_N(e^{j\omega})|^2 \right] = \phi_v(\omega)$$

This assumes that the autocorrelation decays quickly enough:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\tau=-N}^N |\tau R_v(\tau)| = 0$$

## 6 ETFE



Linear, time-invariant system,  $g(l)$ :

$$y(k) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} g(l) u(k-l) + v(k), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

Assumptions:

1. causal system:  $g(l) = 0, \forall l < 0$
2. noise:  $E\{v(k)\} = 0$ , zero mean, stationary

Given  $\{u(k), y(k)\}$  find an estimate  $\hat{G}(e^{j\omega})$  such that it fits the  $G(e^{j\omega})$ .

$$\boxed{\text{Bias}(\hat{G})G - E\{\hat{G}\}} \quad \text{Bias}$$

$$\boxed{\text{var}(\hat{G}) = E\left\{|\hat{G} - E\{\hat{G}\}|^2\right\}} \quad \text{Variance}$$

$$\boxed{\text{MSE}(\hat{G}) = E\left\{|G - \hat{G}|^2\right\}} \quad \text{Mean-square error}$$

Note that  $\text{MSE}(\hat{G}) = \text{var}(\hat{G}) + \text{Bias}^2(\hat{G})$ .

### 6.1 INPUT-OUTPUT RELATIONSHIP

For finite energy signals:

$$y(k) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} g(l) u(k-l) + v(k)$$

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) = G(e^{j\omega})U(e^{j\omega}) + V(e^{j\omega})$$

which in the idealized case leads to:

$$\boxed{\frac{Y(e^{j\omega})}{U(e^{j\omega})} = G(e^{j\omega}) + \frac{V(e^{j\omega})}{U(e^{j\omega})} \approx G(e^{j\omega})}$$

In reality we only have  $N$  samples:

$$\underbrace{Y_N(e^{j\omega_n})}_{\text{length-}N \text{ DFT}} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} y(k) e^{-j\omega_n k} \approx \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} y(k) e^{-j\omega_n k} = Y(e^{j\omega_n})$$

$$\underbrace{U_N(e^{j\omega_n})}_{\text{length-}N \text{ DFT}} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} u(k) e^{-j\omega_n k} \approx \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} u(k) e^{-j\omega_n k} = U(e^{j\omega_n})$$

$$\boxed{\hat{G}_N(e^{j\omega_n}) := \frac{Y_N(e^{j\omega_n})}{U_N(e^{j\omega_n})}} \quad \text{ETFE}$$

## 6.2 PERIODIC INPUT CASE

Period  $M$  inputs:  $u(k) = u(k + M)$

If  $sM = N$  for an integer  $s$ , the fourier series over  $N$  samples is equal to the real fourier series!

$$U_N(e^{j\omega_n}) = U(e^{j\omega_n}) \forall \omega_n = \frac{2\pi n}{N}, n = 0, \dots, N-1$$

Then

$$Y_N(e^{j\omega_n}) = G(e^{j\omega_n})U_N(e^{j\omega_n}) + V_N(e^{j\omega_n})$$

$$\hat{G}_N(e^{j\omega_n}) = G(e^{j\omega_n}) + \frac{V_N(e^{j\omega_n})}{U_N(e^{j\omega_n})}$$

**Bias:**

$$E\{\hat{G}_N(e^{j\omega_n})\} = G(e^{j\omega_n}) + E\left\{\frac{V_N(e^{j\omega_n})}{U_N(e^{j\omega_n})}\right\} = G(e^{j\omega_n})$$

when assuming zero mean noise. Thus for periodic inputs with  $N$  being an integer number of periods, **the ETFE is unbiased.**

**Variance:**

For the unbiased case:

$$E\left\{|\hat{G}_N(e^{j\omega_n}) - G(e^{j\omega_n})|^2\right\} = \frac{\phi_v(e^{j\omega_n}) + \frac{2}{N}c}{\frac{1}{N}|U_N(e^{j\omega_n})|^2}$$

where  $|c| \leq C = \sum_{\tau=1}^{\infty} |\tau R_v(\tau)|$  is assumed to be finite.

For estimates at different frequencies ( $\omega_n \neq \omega_i$ ):

$$E\left\{(\hat{G}_N(e^{j\omega_n}) - G(e^{j\omega_n}))(\hat{G}_N(e^{-j\omega_i}) - G(e^{-j\omega_i}))\right\} = 0$$

**Transient responses:**

Initial transient corrupts the measurement

$$y(k) = G(u_{\text{periodic}}(k)W_{[0, N-1]}(k)) + v(k)$$

with the window function:

$$W_{[0, N-1]}(k) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq k < N \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

For all outputs up to time  $k = N-1$

$$y(k) = Gu_{\text{periodic}}(k) - \underbrace{G(u_{\text{periodic}}W_{(-\infty, -1]})}_{r(k)} + v(k)$$

$$Y_N(e^{j\omega_n}) = G(e^{j\omega_n})U_N(e^{j\omega_n}) + R_N(e^{j\omega_n}) + V_N(e^{j\omega_n})$$

The input in negative time, which is present in a ideal periodic input, and missing in a real periodic input, has an influence on positive time, which is described by  $r(k)$ .

When using a periodic signal multiple times the resulting DFT does not contain more information, since in a periodic signal there are only a certain number of frequencies contained, but the energy in those frequencies increases!

**Transient bias error:**

$$\hat{G}_e(e^{j\omega_n}) = \frac{Y_N e^{(j\omega_n)}}{U_N e^{(j\omega_n)}} = G e^{(j\omega_n)} + \frac{R_N e^{(j\omega_n)}}{U_N e^{(j\omega_n)}} + \frac{V_N e^{(j\omega_n)}}{U_N e^{(j\omega_n)}}$$

**For periodic  $u(k)$**

As  $N = mM, m \rightarrow \infty$

$$|U_N e^{(j\omega_n)}| = m |U_M e^{(j\omega_n)}|$$

**For random  $u(k)$**

As  $N \rightarrow \infty$

$$E\{|U_N e^{(j\omega_n)}|\} \rightarrow \sqrt{N} \sqrt{\phi_u(e^{j\omega_n})}$$

Thus

$$\left| \frac{R_N e^{(j\omega_n)}}{U_N e^{(j\omega_n)}} \right| \rightarrow 0 \text{ with rate } \begin{cases} \frac{1}{N} & \text{for periodic input} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} & \text{for random inputs} \end{cases}$$

A fix for getting rid of the influence of the transient response: Get rid of the first period.

## 6.3 SPECTRAL TRANSFORMATIONS

If  $v(k) = 0$

$$\phi_y e^{(j\omega_n)} = G e^{(j\omega_n)} \phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)} G^T e^{(j\omega_n)}$$

where  $G^T e^{(j\omega_n)}$  is the complex conjugate of  $G e^{(j\omega_n)}$ .

If  $v(k) \neq 0$  and uncorrelated

$$\phi_y e^{(j\omega_n)} = |G e^{(j\omega_n)}|^2 \phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)} + |H e^{(j\omega_n)}|^2$$

But this approach has no more phase information. For that reason use the cross spectrum:

$$\phi_{yu} e^{(j\omega_n)} = G e^{(j\omega_n)} \phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)} + \phi_{uv} e^{(j\omega_n)} = G e^{(j\omega_n)} \phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)}$$

if  $u(k)$  and  $v(k)$  are uncorrelated.

$$\boxed{\frac{\hat{\phi}_{yu} e^{(j\omega_n)}}{\hat{\phi}_u e^{(j\omega_n)}}} \text{ Spectral estimation}$$

where

$$\phi_y e^{(j\omega_n)} = |G e^{(j\omega_n)}|^2 \phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)} + \phi_v e^{(j\omega_n)}$$

$$\phi_{yu}e^{j\omega_n} = Ge^{j\omega_n}\phi_u e^{j\omega_n}$$

The periodogram is an asymptotically unbiased estimator of the spectrum given

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\tau=-N}^N |\tau R_v(\tau)| = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{N} |V_N e^{j\omega_n}|^2 \quad \text{periodogram}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} E \left\{ \frac{1}{N} |V_N e^{j\omega_n}|^2 \right\} = \phi_v e^{j\omega_n}$$

The autocovariance of the noise for stochastic  $v(k)$  is described as:

$$\hat{R}_v(\tau) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{N-|\tau|} \sum_{k=\tau}^{N_1} v(k)v(k-\tau), & \text{for } \tau \geq 0 \\ \frac{1}{N-|\tau|} \sum_{k=0}^{N+\tau-1} v(k)v(k-\tau), & \text{for } \tau < 0 \end{cases}$$

This is an unbiased estimator of  $R_v(\tau)$ :  $E\{\hat{R}_v(\tau) = R_v(\tau)\}$

$$\hat{\phi}_v e^{j\omega_n} = \sum_{\tau=-N+1}^{N-1} \hat{R}_v(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau}$$

Thus the spectral estimate is:

$$\hat{\phi}_v(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{\tau=-N+1}^{N-1} \hat{R}_v(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau}$$

### 6.3.1 SPECTRAL ESTIMATION FOR PERIODIC SIGNALS

Periodic signal  $x(k)$  with period  $M$ ,  $N = mM$  for some integer  $m$

$$R_x(\tau) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} x(k)x(k-\tau)$$

The power spectral density can be calculated and is equal to the periodogram:

$$\phi_x e^{j\omega_n} = \sum_{\tau=0}^{M-1} R_x(\tau) e^{-j\omega_n \tau} = \frac{1}{M} |X_M e^{j\omega_n}|^2$$

### 6.3.2 SPECTRAL ESTIMATION (MORE GENERAL CASE)

Alternative autocorrelation estimate:

$$\hat{R}_x(\tau) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=\tau}^{N-1} x(k)x(k-\tau), & \text{for } \tau \geq 0 \\ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N+\tau-1} x(k)x(k-\tau), & \text{for } \tau < 0 \end{cases}$$

Periodic  $x(k)$ : unbiased (exact) if  $N = mM$

Random  $x(k)$  biased  $E\{\hat{R}_x(\tau)\} = \frac{N-|\tau|}{N} R_x(\tau)$ .

asymptotically biased as  $N \rightarrow \infty, \tau/N \rightarrow 0$

## 7 AVERAGING AND SMOOTHING

Multiple experiments  $u_r(k), y_r(k), r = 1 \dots, R, k = 0, \dots, K-1$

$$\hat{G}e^{j\omega_n} = \sum_{r=1}^R \alpha_r \hat{G}_r e^{j\omega_n}$$

where  $\sum_{r=1}^G \alpha_r = 1$  and for calculating the average  $\alpha_r = \frac{1}{R}$ .

The averaging can be optimized by selecting  $\alpha_r$  such that the variance  $\sigma_r^2 e^{j\omega_n}$  is minimized.

$$\text{Var}(\hat{G}e^{j\omega_n}) = \text{Var}\left(\sum_{r=1}^R \alpha_r e^{j\omega_n} \hat{G}_r e^{j\omega_n}\right) = \sum_{r=1}^R \alpha_r^2 \sigma_r^2 e^{j\omega_n}$$

This is minimized by

$$\alpha_r e^{j\omega_n} = \frac{1/\sigma_r^2 e^{j\omega_n}}{\sum_{r=1}^R 1/\sigma_r^2 e^{j\omega_n}}$$

Thus the signal is weighted inversely proportional to the variance.

Thus if  $\text{Var}(\hat{G}_r e^{j\omega_n}) = \frac{\phi_v e^{j\omega_n}}{\frac{1}{N} |U_r e^{j\omega_n}|^2}$  then  $\alpha_r e^{j\omega_n} = \frac{|U_r e^{j\omega_n}|^2}{\sum_{r=1}^R |U_r e^{j\omega_n}|^2}$ .

The best result is obtained if the input is the same for all  $r$ , which will lead to a reduction of the variance as follows:

$$\text{Var}(\hat{G}e^{j\omega_n}) = \frac{\text{Var}(\hat{G}_r e^{j\omega_n})}{R}$$

Biased estimates will reduce the improvement in variance.

- Since we are adding complex numbers the magnitude of the average is not equal to the average of the magnitudes  $r_i$ .

## 7.1 BIAS-VARIANCE TRADE-OFFS IN DATA RECORD SPLITTING

Divide a data record into smaller parts for averaging:

$$\{u(k), y(k)\}, k = 0, \dots, K - 1$$

Choose  $R$  records and calculation length  $N$ , such that  $NR \leq K$ :

$$u_r(n) = u(rN + n)$$

And average the resulting estimates:

$$\hat{G}e^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \hat{G}_r e^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \frac{\hat{Y}_r e^{(j\omega_n)}}{\hat{U}_r e^{(j\omega_n)}}$$

As  $R$  increases:

- The number of points calculated,  $N$  decreases.
- The variance decreases (by up to  $1/R$ ).
- The bias increases (due to non-periodicity transients).

Mean-square error

- Transient bias grows linearly with the number of data splits.
- Variance decays with a rate of up to  $1/(\text{number of averages})$ .

What if there is no option of running periodic input experiments?  $\rightarrow$  exploit the assumed smoothness of the underlying system.

## 7.2 SMOOTHING THE ETFE

Assume the true system to be close to constant for a range of frequencies:  $G(e^{j\omega_{n+r}}) \approx G(e^{j\omega_n})$  for  $r = 0, \pm 1, \dots, \pm r$ .

The minimum variance smoothed estimate is:

$$\tilde{G}_N e^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{\sum_{r=-R}^R \alpha_r \hat{G}_N(e^{j\omega_{n+r}})}{\sum_{r=-R}^R \alpha_r}, \quad \alpha_r = \frac{\frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\omega_{n+r}})|^2}{\phi_v(e^{j\omega_{n+r}})}$$

The summation above can then be approximated by an integral:

$$\approx \frac{\int_{\omega_{n-r}}^{\omega_{n+r}} \alpha(e^{j\zeta}) \hat{G}_N(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta}{\int_{\omega_{n-r}}^{\omega_{n+r}} \alpha(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta}, \quad \text{with } \alpha(e^{j\zeta}) = \frac{\frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\zeta})|^2}{\phi_v(e^{j\zeta})}$$

Which can be reformulated using a smoothing window:

$$\tilde{G}_N e^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \alpha(e^{j\zeta}) \hat{G}_N(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta}{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \alpha(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta} \quad \text{with } \alpha(e^{j\zeta}) = \frac{\frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\zeta})|^2}{\phi_v(e^{j\zeta})}$$

## 7.2.1 ASSUMPTIONS ON $\phi_v(e^{j\omega})$

Assume  $\phi_v(e^{j\omega})$  is also a smooth function of frequency.

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \left| \frac{1}{\phi_v(e^{j\zeta})} - \frac{1}{\phi_v(e^{j\omega_n})} \right| d\zeta \approx 0$$

Then use,

$$\alpha(e^{j\zeta}) = \frac{\frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\zeta})|^2}{\phi_v(e^{j\omega_n})}$$

to get

$$\tilde{G}_N e^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{-j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\zeta})|^2 \hat{G}_N(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta}{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\zeta})|^2 d\zeta}$$

The wider the frequency window (decreasing  $\gamma$ )

- the more adjacent frequencies included in the smoothness estimate.
- the smoother the result.
- the lower the noise induced variance.
- the higher the bias.

## 7.2.2 CHARACTERISTIC WINDOWS

$$W_\gamma(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{\gamma} \left( \frac{\sin \gamma \omega / 2}{\sin \omega / 2} \right)^2 \quad \text{Bartlett}$$

$$W_\gamma(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{2} D_\gamma(\omega) + \frac{1}{4} D_\gamma(\omega - \pi/\gamma) + \frac{1}{4} D_\gamma(\omega + \pi/\gamma) \quad \text{Hann}$$

where

$$D_\gamma(\omega) = \frac{\sin \omega(\gamma+0.5)}{\sin \omega/2}$$

**Properties of window functions:**

- $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta = 1$
- $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \zeta W_\gamma(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta = 0$
- $M(\gamma) := \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \zeta^2 W_\gamma(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta$
- $\bar{W}(\gamma) := 2\pi \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma^2(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta$

$$\text{Bartlett} \quad M(\gamma) = \frac{2.78}{\gamma^2}, \quad \bar{W}(\gamma) \approx 0.67\gamma \quad (\text{for } \gamma > 5)$$

$$\text{Hamming} \quad M(\gamma) = \frac{\pi}{2\gamma^2}, \quad \bar{W}(\gamma) \approx 0.75\gamma \quad (\text{for } \gamma > 5)$$

- $M(\gamma)$  gives an idea of the bias effect.
- $\bar{W}(\gamma)$  gives an idea of the variance effect.



### 7.2.3 ASYMPTOTIC BIAS PROPERTIES

$$\mathbb{E} \left\{ \tilde{G}e^{(j\omega_n)} - \mathbb{E} \left\{ \tilde{G}e^{(j\omega_n)} \right\} \right\} = \mathbb{E} \left\{ \tilde{G}e^{(j\omega_n)} - Ge^{(j\omega_n)} \right\} =$$

$$M(\gamma) \left( \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} G''e^{(j\omega_n)}}_{\text{curvature}} + \underbrace{G'e^{(j\omega_n)} \frac{\phi'_u e^{(j\omega_n)}}{\phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)}}}_{\text{slope}} \right) + H.O.T.$$

Increasing  $\gamma$

- makes the frequency window smaller.
- averages over fewer frequency values.
- makes  $M(\gamma)$  smaller
- reduces the bias of the smoothed estimate  $\tilde{G}e^{(j\omega_n)}$

### 7.2.4 ASYMPTOTIC VARIANCE PROPERTIES

$$\mathbb{E} \left\{ (\tilde{G}e^{(j\omega_n)} - \mathbb{E} \left\{ \tilde{G}e^{(j\omega_n)} \right\})^2 \right\} = \frac{1}{N} \bar{W}(\gamma) \frac{\phi_v e^{(j\omega_n)}}{\phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)}} + H.O.T.$$

Increasing  $\gamma$

- makes the frequency window narrower.
- averages over fewer frequency values.
- makes  $\bar{W}_\gamma$  larger.
- increases the variance of the smoothed estimate  $\tilde{G}e^{(j\omega_n)}$ .

### 7.2.5 ASYMPTOTIC MSE PROPERTIES

$$\mathbb{E} \left\{ |\tilde{G}e^{(j\omega_n)} - Ge^{(j\omega_n)}|^2 \right\} \approx M^2(\gamma) |Fe^{(j\omega_n)}|^2 + \frac{1}{N} \bar{W}(\gamma) \frac{\phi_v e^{(j\omega_n)}}{\phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)}}$$

where

$$Fe^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{1}{2} G''e^{(j\omega_n)} + G'e^{(j\omega_n)} \frac{\phi'_u e^{(j\omega_n)}}{\phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)}}$$

If  $M(\gamma) = M/\gamma^2$  and  $\bar{W}(\gamma) = \bar{W}\gamma$  then MSE is minimised by:

$$\gamma_{\text{optimal}} = \left( \frac{4M^2 |Fe^{(j\omega_n)}|^2 \phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)}}{\bar{W} \phi_v e^{(j\omega_n)}} \right)^{1/5} N^{1/5}$$

and

$$\text{MSE at } \gamma_{\text{optimal}} \approx CN^{-4/5}$$

## 8 WINDOWING AND INPUT SIGNALS

$$\phi_{yu}(e^{j\omega}) = G(e^{j\omega})\phi_u(e^{j\omega})$$

$$\hat{G}e^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{\hat{\phi}_{yu}e^{(j\omega_n)}}{\hat{\phi}_ue^{(j\omega_n)}}$$

Recall that the smoothed ETFE is:

$$\tilde{G}_N e^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\zeta})|^2 \hat{G}_N(e^{j\zeta}) d\zeta}{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\zeta})|^2 d\zeta}$$

The denominator term approaches  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \phi e^{(j\omega_n)} d\zeta$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

If in addition  $W_\gamma(e^{j\omega})$  is concentrated around  $\zeta = 0$  (i.e.  $\gamma/N \rightarrow 0$ ) then the denominator term approaches  $\phi_u e^{(j\omega_n)}$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

This motivates the smoothed spectral estimate:

$$\tilde{\phi}_u e^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\omega})|^2 d\zeta$$

Similarly the numerator approaches  $\phi_{yu}$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$\tilde{\phi}_{yu} e^{(j\omega_n)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\omega})|^2 \hat{G}_N(e^{j\omega}) d\zeta$$

For this reason the smoothed ETFE is equal to the smoothed spectral estimate for  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

### 8.1 TIME DOMAIN WINDOWS

Define, via the inverse Fourier transform a time domain window:

$$\omega_\gamma(\tau) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega\tau} d\omega$$

Then the smoothed input spectral estimate  $\tilde{\phi}_u e^{(j\omega_n)}$  is:

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_\gamma(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \frac{1}{N} |U_N(e^{j\omega})|^2 d\zeta \approx \sum_{\tau=-\infty}^{\infty} \omega_\gamma(\tau) \hat{R}_u(\tau) e^{-j\tau\omega_n}$$

where

$$\omega_\gamma = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } \tau < -\gamma \\ > 0 & \text{for } -\gamma \leq \tau \leq \gamma \\ 0 & \text{for } \tau > \gamma \end{cases}$$

where often  $\gamma \ll N$ , which enables the faster calculated redefinition:



$$\sum_{s=1}^S \alpha_s = 1 \quad \text{Total signal power}$$

### Schroeder phasing

Select the phases  $\phi_s$  such that the minimize the peak amplitude:

$$\phi_s = 2\pi \sum_{j=1}^s j\alpha_s.$$

for equal power in each sinusoids:

$$\alpha_s = 1/S \text{ and } \phi_s = \frac{pi(s^2+s)}{S}$$

## 9 RESIDUAL SPECTRA, COHERENCY, APERIODICTY, OFFSETS AND DRIFTS

### 9.1 RESIDUAL SPECTRUM

#### 9.1.1 ESTIMATING $\phi_v e^{j\omega_n}$

$$v(k) = y(k) - G(e^{j\omega})u(k)$$

$$\tilde{\phi}_v e^{j\omega_n} \approx \frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W_{\gamma}(e^{j(\zeta-\omega_n)}) \left| Y_N(e^{j\omega}) - \tilde{G}(e^{j\omega})U_N(e^{j\omega}) \right|^2 d\zeta \approx \tilde{\phi} e^{j\omega_n} - \frac{|\tilde{\phi}_{yu} e^{j\omega_n}|^2}{\tilde{\phi}_u e^{j\omega_n}}$$

How much energy is accounted for by the model? How much by noise?

$$\phi_v = \phi_y \left(1 - \frac{|\phi_{yu}|}{\phi_y \phi_u}\right)$$

$$\hat{\kappa}_{yu} e^{j\omega_n} = \sqrt{\frac{|\hat{\phi}_{yu} e^{j\omega_n}|^2}{\hat{\phi}_y e^{j\omega_n} \hat{\phi}_u e^{j\omega_n}}} \quad \text{Coherency Spectrum}$$

- If all of the energy in the output is due to the model for a frequency  $\omega_n$  then  $\hat{\kappa}_{yu} e^{j\omega_n} = 1$ .
- This can be used as a measure of effectiveness of the modelling at a particular frequency.
- Theoretically,  $0 \leq \hat{\kappa}_{yu} e^{j\omega_n} \leq 1$ . One should aim to keep the coherency spectrum as high as possible. It can be adjusted by adjusting the smoothing.

### 9.2 TIME-DOMAIN DATA WINDOWING

Putting a time domain window directly on the data.

$$U_w e^{j\omega_n} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} w_{data}(k) u(k) e^{-jk\omega_n}$$

often with  $w_{data}(k) = w_{\gamma}(k - N/2)$  (shifted to middle). Typically  $\gamma = N/2$  such that all of the data is used.

### 9.2.1 WELCH'S METHOD

1. Split the data record into  $L$  overlapping segments of length  $N$ .

$$2. U_l e^{j\omega_n} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} w_{data}(k) u_l(k) e^{j\omega_n k}$$

$$3. \tilde{\phi}_u e^{j\omega_n} = \frac{1}{NLE_{scl}} \sum_{l=1}^L |U_l e^{j\omega_n}|^2$$

- Advantages
  - Windowing can reduce transient response effects.
  - Noise reduction from averaging and windowing.
  - Variance error can be reduced.
  - Windowing can cause energy leakage to adjacent frequencies.
  - Frequency resolution deteriorates.
  - Bias error can be increased.
  - Noise on  $u_l(k)$  and  $u_{l+1}$  is not uncorrelated.
- Tips
  - Do not use `welch()`, since it does not fit the definition here.

## 10 FREQUENCY DOMAIN SUBSPACE ID

## 11 CLOSED-LOOP ID

## 12 TIME-DOMAIN CORRELATION METHOD

## 13 PREDICTION ERROR METHODS

## 14 PARAMETER ESTIMATION STATISTICS

## 15 NOMENCLATURE

$y(k) = Gu(k)$	output signal	[ ]
$u(k)$	input signal	[ ]
$G$	plant	[ ]
$\hat{G} = \frac{y}{u}$	estimated plant	[ ]
$Y(e^{j\omega})$	output spectrum	[ ]
$U(e^{j\omega})$	input spectrum	[ ]
ZOH	zero order hold	
DAC	digital analog converter	
ADC	analog digital converter	