

# Signal Modeling

The idea of *signal modeling* is to represent the signal via (some) model parameters.

Signal modeling is used for *signal compression, prediction, reconstruction and understanding*.

Two generic model classes will be considered:

- ARMA, AR, and MA models,
- low-rank models.

## AR, MA, and ARMA equations

General ARMA equations:

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k y(n-k) = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x(n-k) \quad \text{ARMA.}$$

Particular cases:

$$y(n) = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x(n-k) \quad \text{MA}, \quad \sum_{k=0}^N a_k y(n-k) = x(n) \quad \text{AR.}$$

Taking  $Z$ -transforms of both sides of the ARMA equation

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k \mathcal{Z}\{y(n-k)\} = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k \mathcal{Z}\{x(n-k)\}$$

and using time-shift property, we obtain

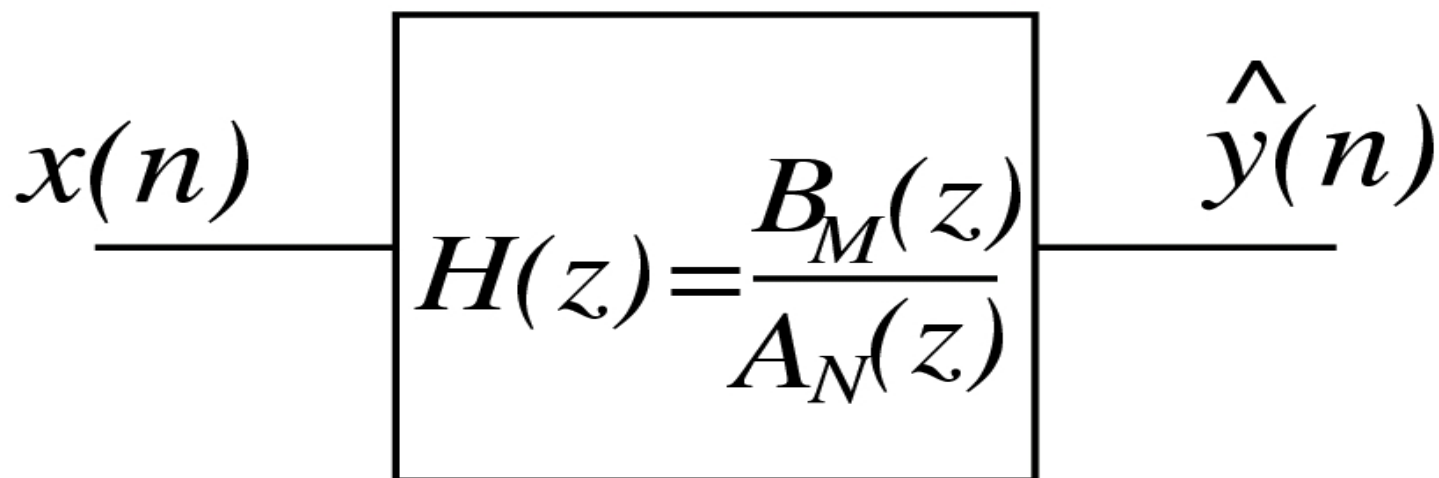
$$Y(z) \sum_{k=0}^N a_k z^{-k} = X(z) \sum_{k=0}^M b_k z^{-k}.$$

Therefore, the frequency response of causal LTI system (filter):

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^M b_k z^{-k}}{\sum_{k=0}^N a_k z^{-k}} = \frac{B_M(z)}{A_N(z)}.$$

## Pole-zero Model

Modeling a signal  $y(n)$  as the response of a LTI filter to an input  $x(n)$ . The goal is to find the filter coefficients and the input  $x(n)$  that make the modeled signal  $\hat{y}(n)$  as close as possible to  $y(n)$ . The most general model is the so-called pole-zero model:



## All-pole Modeling: Yule-Walker Equations

All-pole model:

$$H(z) = \frac{\sigma}{A(z)}.$$

Consider the *real* AR equation:

$$y(n) + a_1y(n-1) + \cdots + a_Ny(n-N) = x(n)$$

(with  $a_0 = 1$ ) and assume that  $E\{x(n)x(n-k)\} = \sigma^2\delta(k)$ . Since the AR model implies that

$$y(n) = x(n) + \alpha_1x(n-1) + \alpha_2x(n-2) + \cdots$$

we get

$$E\{y(n)x(n)\} = E\{[x(n) + \alpha_1x(n-1) + \alpha_2x(n-2) + \cdots]x(n)\} = \sigma^2.$$

## All-pole Modeling: Yule-Walker Equations

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} E \{y(n - k)x(n)\} &= E \{[x(n - k) + \alpha_1 x(n - k - 1) + \dots] x(n)\} \\ &= 0 \quad \text{for } k > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Represent the AR equation in the vector form:

$$[y(n), y(n - 1), \dots, y(n - N)] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = x(n).$$

## All-pole Modeling: Yule-Walker Equations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \{y(n)x(n)\} &= \mathbb{E} \left\{ y(n) [y(n), y(n-1), \dots, y(n-N)] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= [r_0, r_1, \dots, r_N] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2. \end{aligned}$$

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## All-pole Modeling: Yule-Walker Equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_0 & r_1 & \cdots & r_N \\ r_1 & r_0 & \cdots & r_{N-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ r_N & r_{N-1} & \cdots & r_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If we *omit* the first equation, we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_0 & r_1 & \cdots & r_{N-1} \\ r_1 & r_0 & \cdots & r_{N-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ r_{N-1} & r_{N-2} & \cdots & r_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_N \end{bmatrix},$$

or, in matrix notation

$$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{a} = -\mathbf{r} \quad \text{Yule-Walker equations.}$$

## Levinson Recursion

For this purpose, let us introduce a slightly different notation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_0 & r_1 & \cdots & r_N \\ r_1 & r_0 & \cdots & r_{N-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ r_N & r_{N-1} & \cdots & r_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_{N,1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{N,N} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_N^2 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

which, in matrix notation is

$$R_N \mathbf{a}_N = \sigma_N^2 \mathbf{e}_1,$$

where  $\mathbf{e}_1 = [1, 0, 0, \dots, 0]^T$ .

For  $N = 1$ , we have:

$$r_0 + r_1 a_{1,1} = \sigma_1^2,$$

$$r_1 + r_0 a_{1,1} = 0,$$

and thus

$$a_{1,1} = -\frac{r_1}{r_0},$$

$$\sigma_1^2 = r_0 \left\{ 1 - \left[ \frac{r_1}{r_0} \right]^2 \right\}.$$

## Levinson Recursion (cont.)

**Goal:** Given  $\mathbf{a}_N$ , we want to find the solution to the  $(N + 1)$ st-order equations  $R_{N+1}\mathbf{a}_{N+1} = \sigma_{N+1}^2 \mathbf{e}_1$ .

Append a zero to  $\mathbf{a}_N$  and multiply the resulting vector by  $R_{N+1}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_0 & r_1 & \cdots & r_N & r_{N+1} \\ r_1 & r_0 & \cdots & r_{N-1} & r_N \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ r_N & r_{N-1} & \cdots & r_0 & r_1 \\ r_{N+1} & r_N & \cdots & r_1 & r_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_{N,1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{N,N} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_N^2 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \gamma_N \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\gamma_N = r_{N+1} + \sum_{k=1}^N a_{N,k} r_{N+1-k}$ . Use the symmetric Toeplitz

property of  $R_{N+1}$  to rewrite

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_0 & r_1 & \cdots & r_N & r_{N+1} \\ r_1 & r_0 & \cdots & r_{N-1} & r_N \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ r_N & r_{N-1} & \cdots & r_0 & r_1 \\ r_{N+1} & r_N & \cdots & r_1 & r_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ a_{N,N} \\ \vdots \\ a_{N,1} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_N \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \sigma_N^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now, make a weighted sum of the above two equations.

## Levinson Recursion (cont.)

$$R_{N+1} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ a_{N,1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{N,N} \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \\ + \Gamma_{N+1} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ a_{N,N} \\ \vdots \\ a_{N,1} \\ 1 \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right\} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_N^2 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \gamma_N \end{bmatrix} + \Gamma_{N+1} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_N \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ \sigma_N^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now, pick

$$\Gamma_{N+1} = -\frac{\gamma_N}{\sigma_N^2},$$

which reduces the above equation to  $R_{N+1} \mathbf{a}_{N+1} = \sigma_{N+1}^2 \mathbf{e}_1$ , where

$$\mathbf{a}_{N+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_{N,1} \\ \vdots \\ a_{N,N} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \Gamma_{N+1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ a_{N,N} \\ \vdots \\ a_{N,1} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_{N+1}^2 = \sigma_N^2 + \Gamma_{N+1} \gamma_N = \sigma_N^2 [1 - \Gamma_{N+1}^2].$$

## All-pole Modeling: Prony's Method

Yule-Walker equations do not show an explicit way of finding the AR model coefficients from the data.

Consider the AR equation:

$$y(n) = - \sum_{k=1}^N a_k y(n - k) + x(n),$$

written for  $L - N$  measured data points  $\{y(n)\}_N^{L-1}$ . In matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y(N) \\ y(N + 1) \\ \vdots \\ y(L - 1) \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} y(N - 1) & y(N - 2) & \cdots & y(0) \\ y(N) & y(N - 1) & \cdots & y(1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ y(L - 2) & & \cdots & y(L - N - 1) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x(N) \\ x(N + 1) \\ \vdots \\ x(L - 1) \end{bmatrix}$$

## All-pole Modeling: Prony's Method

In matrix notation, the overdetermined system:

$$y = -Y a + x.$$

A diagram illustrating the matrix notation for the equation  $y = -Y a + x$ . On the left is a vertical column vector labeled  $y$ . This is followed by an equals sign, a minus sign, a square matrix labeled  $Y$ , another vertical column vector labeled  $a$ , a plus sign, and a final vertical column vector labeled  $x$ .



## All-pole Modeling: Prony's Method

To find a solution, use LS, i.e. minimize

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = (\mathbf{y} + Y\mathbf{a})^H (\mathbf{y} + Y\mathbf{a}).$$

The solution is given by the *normal equations*:

$$Y^H Y \mathbf{a} = -Y^H \mathbf{y}.$$

Solving normal equations, we obtain  $\mathbf{a}$ . Formally, solution can be written as

$$\mathbf{a} = -(Y^H Y)^{-1} Y^H \mathbf{y}.$$

Relationship between the Yule-Walker and normal (Prony) equations:

$$R\mathbf{a} = -\mathbf{r}, \quad Y^H Y \mathbf{a} = -Y^H \mathbf{y},$$

i.e.

$$R \leftrightarrow Y^H Y \quad r \leftrightarrow Y^H \mathbf{y}.$$

In practice,

$$\hat{R} = Y^H Y \quad \hat{r} = Y^H \mathbf{y}$$

represent *sample estimates* of the exact covariance matrix  $R$  and covariance vector  $r$ , respectively!

## Linear Prediction $\leftrightarrow$ All-pole Models

Consider the problem of prediction of the future  $n$ th value  $y(n)$  of the process using the linear predictor based on the previous values  $y(n-1), \dots, y(n-N)$ :

$$\hat{y}(n) = \sum_{i=1}^N w_i y(n-i) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y},$$

where  $\mathbf{w}$  is the predictor weight vector and  $\mathbf{y}$  is the signal vector

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_N \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y(n-1) \\ y(n-2) \\ \vdots \\ y(n-N) \end{bmatrix}.$$

## Linear Prediction $\leftrightarrow$ All-pole Models

Minimize the Mean Square Error (MSE)

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon^2 &= \mathbb{E} \{ [y(n) - \hat{y}(n)]^2 \} \\ &= \mathbb{E} \{ [y - \hat{y}]^2 \} \\ &= \mathbb{E} \{ [y - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y}]^2 \} \\ &= \mathbb{E} \{ y^2 - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y}y + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{y}y^T \mathbf{w} \} \\ &= \mathbb{E} \{ y^2 \} - 2\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{w}^T R\mathbf{w}.\end{aligned}$$

Taking the gradient, we obtain

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon^2}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = -2\mathbf{r} + 2R\mathbf{w} = 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad R\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{r}$$

and we obtain Yule-Walker equations ( $\mathbf{w} = -\mathbf{a}$ )!

- Order-recursive *Levinson-Durbin algorithm* can be used to compute solutions to Yule-Walker (normal) equations (Toeplitz systems).
- The covariance (Prony) method can be modified to minimize the *forward-backward* prediction errors (improved performance).
- AR (all-pole) models are very good for modeling *narrowband* (peaky) signals.
- All-pole modeling is somewhat *simpler* than pole-zero modeling.

## All-zero Modeling

All-zero model

$$H(z) = B(z).$$

Consider the *real* MA equation:

$$y(n) = \sum_{i=0}^M b_i x(n - i).$$

How to find the MA coefficients?

## All-zero Modeling

One idea: find the MA coefficients through the coefficients of an *auxiliary higher-order AR model*. We know that finite MA model can be approximated by an infinite AR model:

$$B_M(z) = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k z^{-k} = \frac{1}{A_\infty(z)}.$$

Since  $AR(\infty)$  is an idealization, let us take an *auxiliary finite AR(N)* model with large  $N \gg M$  to find an *approximation* to the above equation:

$$B_M(z) \approx \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^N a_{k,\text{aux}} z^{-k}}.$$

Clearly, the reverse equation also holds

$$A_{N,\text{aux}}(z) \approx \frac{1}{B_M(z)}.$$

When the auxiliary AR coefficients are obtained, the last step is to find the MA coefficients of the original MA model. This can be done by

$$\min_{\mathbf{b}} \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \|A_{N,\text{aux}}(e^{j\omega})B_M(e^{j\omega}) - 1\|^2 d\omega \right\}.$$



## Durbin's Method

- **Step 1:** Given the MA( $M$ ) signal  $y(n)$ , find for it an auxiliary high-order AR( $N$ ) model with  $N \gg M$  using Yule-Walker or normal equations.
- **Step 2:** Using the AR coefficients obtained in the previous step, find the coefficients of the MA( $M$ ) model for the signal  $y(n)$ .

## Pole-zero Modeling: Modified Yule-Walker Method

Pole-zero model (for  $b_0 = 1$  and  $a_0 = 1$ ):

$$H(z) = \sigma \frac{B(z)}{A(z)}.$$

Let us consider the *real* ARMA equation:

$$y(n) + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i y(n-i) = x(n) + \sum_{i=1}^M b_i x(n-i)$$

and assume that

$$E \{x(n)x(n-k)\} = \sigma^2 \delta(k) :$$

Write the ARMA( $N, M$ ) model as MA( $\infty$ ) equation:

$$y(n) = x(n) + \beta_1 x(n-1) + \beta_2 x(n-2) + \dots$$

Similar to the all-pole modeling case, we obtain that

$$E \{y(n)x(n)\} = \sigma^2, \quad E \{y(n-k)x(n)\} = 0 \quad \text{for } k > 0.$$

ARMA equation can be rewritten in the vector form:

$$\begin{aligned} & [y(n), y(n-1), \dots, y(n-N)] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} \\ = & [x(n), x(n-1), \dots, x(n-M)] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_M \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

## Pole-zero Modeling: Modified Yule-Walker Method

Multiply both sides of the last equation with  $y(n - k)$  and take  $E \{\cdot\}$ :

$k = 0$ :

$$[r_0, r_1, \dots, r_N] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = [\sigma^2, \sigma^2\beta_1, \dots, \sigma^2\beta_M] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_M \end{bmatrix} .$$

## Pole-zero Modeling: Modified Yule-Walker Method

$k = 1$ :

$$[r_{-1}, r_0, \dots, r_{N-1}] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = [0, \sigma^2, \sigma^2 \beta_1, \dots, \sigma^2 \beta_{M-1}] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_M \end{bmatrix},$$

... so on until  $k = M$ .

$k \geq M + 1$ :

$$[r_{-k}, r_{-k+1}, \dots, r_{-k+N}] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = [0, 0, \dots, 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_M \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}.$$

## Pole-zero Modeling: Modified Yule-Walker Method

Therefore, we obtain the *modified* Yule-Walker equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_{-(M+1)} & r_{-(M)} & \cdots & r_{-(M+1)+N} \\ r_{-(M+2)} & r_{-(M+1)} & \cdots & r_{-(M+2)+N} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}.$$

To solve for  $a_1, \dots, a_N$ , we need  $N$  equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_{M+1} & r_M & \cdots & r_{M-N+1} \\ r_{M+2} & r_{M+1} & \cdots & r_{M-N+2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ r_{M+N} & r_{M+N-1} & \cdots & r_M \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0},$$

where we use  $r_{-k} = r_k$ . The matrix is  $N \times (N + 1)$ . Equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_M & r_{M-1} & \cdots & r_{M-N+1} \\ r_{M+1} & r_{M+1} & \cdots & r_{M-N+2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ r_{M+N-1} & r_{M+N-2} & \cdots & r_M \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_N \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} r_{M+1} \\ r_{M+2} \\ \vdots \\ r_{M+N} \end{bmatrix},$$

with the square  $N \times N$  matrix. In matrix notation:

$$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{a} = -\mathbf{r} \quad \leftarrow \quad (\text{modified Yule-Walker equations}).$$

## Pole-zero Modeling (cont.)

Once the AR coefficients are determined, it remains to obtain the MA part of the considered ARMA model. Write the ARMA power spectrum as

$$P_y(z) = \sigma^2 \frac{B(z)B(1/z)}{A(z)A(1/z)} \underset{z=\exp(j\omega)}{=} \sigma^2 \left| \frac{B(e^{j\omega})}{A(e^{j\omega})} \right|^2.$$

Hence, filtering the ARMA process  $y(n)$  with the LTI filter having a transfer function  $A(z)$  gives the MA part of the process, having the spectrum:

$$P(z) = B(z)B(1/z).$$

Then, the MA parameters of the ARMA process  $y(n)$  can be estimated from this (filtered) MA process using all-zero modeling techniques (for example, Durbin's method).

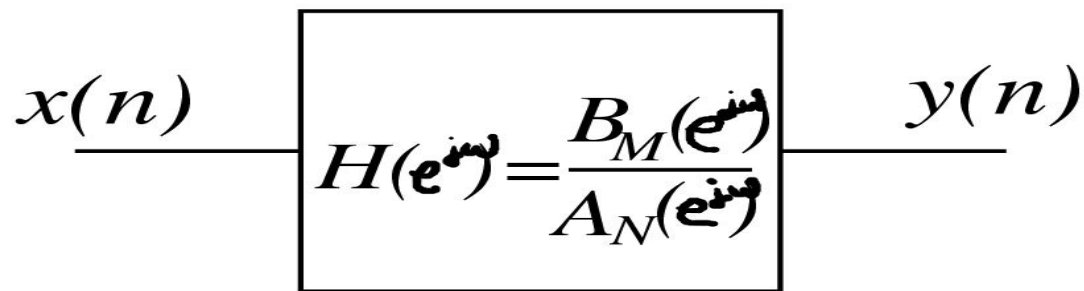


## Digression: Rational Spectra

$$P(e^{j\omega}) = \sigma^2 \left| \frac{B(e^{j\omega})}{A(e^{j\omega})} \right|^2.$$

Recall: we consider real-valued signals here.

- $a_1, \dots, a_N, b_1, \dots, b_M$  are real coefficients.
- Any continuous power spectral density (PSD) can be approximated arbitrarily close by a rational PSD. Consider passing  $x(n) \equiv$  zero-mean white noise of variance  $\sigma^2$  through filter  $H$ .



## Digression: Rational Spectra (cont.)

The rational spectra can be associated with a signal obtained by filtering white noise of power  $\sigma^2$  through a rational filter with  $H(e^{j\omega}) = B(e^{j\omega})/A(e^{j\omega})$ . ARMA model: ARMA(M,N)

$$P(e^{j\omega}) = \sigma^2 \left| \frac{B(e^{j\omega})}{A(e^{j\omega})} \right|^2 .$$

AR model: AR(N)

$$P(e^{j\omega}) = \sigma^2 \left| \frac{1}{A(e^{j\omega})} \right|^2 .$$

MA model: MA(M)

$$P(e^{j\omega}) = \sigma^2 |B(e^{j\omega})|^2 .$$

Remarks:

- AR models peaky PSD better,
- MA models valley PSD better,
- ARMA is used for PSD with both peaks and valleys.

## Spectral Factorization

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{B(e^{j\omega})}{A(e^{j\omega})}.$$

$$P(e^{j\omega}) = \sigma^2 \left| \frac{B(e^{j\omega})}{A(e^{j\omega})} \right|^2 = \frac{\sigma^2 B(e^{j\omega})B(e^{-j\omega})}{A(e^{j\omega})A(e^{-j\omega})}$$

$$A(e^{j\omega}) = 1 + a_1 e^{-j\omega} + \dots + a_M e^{-jM\omega}.$$

$a_1, \dots, a_N, b_1, \dots, b_M$  are real coefficients.

**Remark:** If  $a_1, \dots, a_N, b_1, \dots, b_M$  are complex,

$$P(z) = \sigma^2 \frac{B(z)B^*\left(\frac{1}{z^*}\right)}{A(z)A^*\left(\frac{1}{z^*}\right)}$$

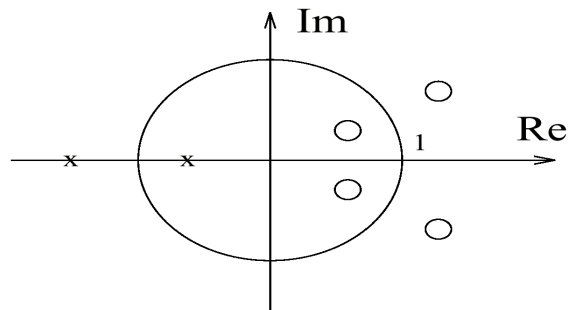
# Spectral Factorization

Consider real case:

$$P(z) = \sigma^2 \frac{B(z)B(\frac{1}{z})}{A(z)A(\frac{1}{z})}$$

## Remarks:

- If  $\alpha$  is zero of  $P(z)$ , so is  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$ .
- If  $\beta$  is a pole of  $P(z)$ , so is  $\frac{1}{\beta}$ .
- Since  $a_1, \dots, a_N, b_1, \dots, b_M$  are real, the poles and zeroes of  $P(z)$  occur in complex conjugate pairs.



# Spectral Factorization

## Remarks:

- If poles of  $\frac{1}{A(z)}$  inside unit circle,  $H(z) = \frac{B(z)}{A(z)}$  is BIBO stable.
- If zeroes of  $B(z)$  inside unit circle,  $H(z) = \frac{B(z)}{A(z)}$  is minimum phase.

We choose  $H(z)$  so that both its zeroes and poles are inside the unit circle.

## Low-rank Models

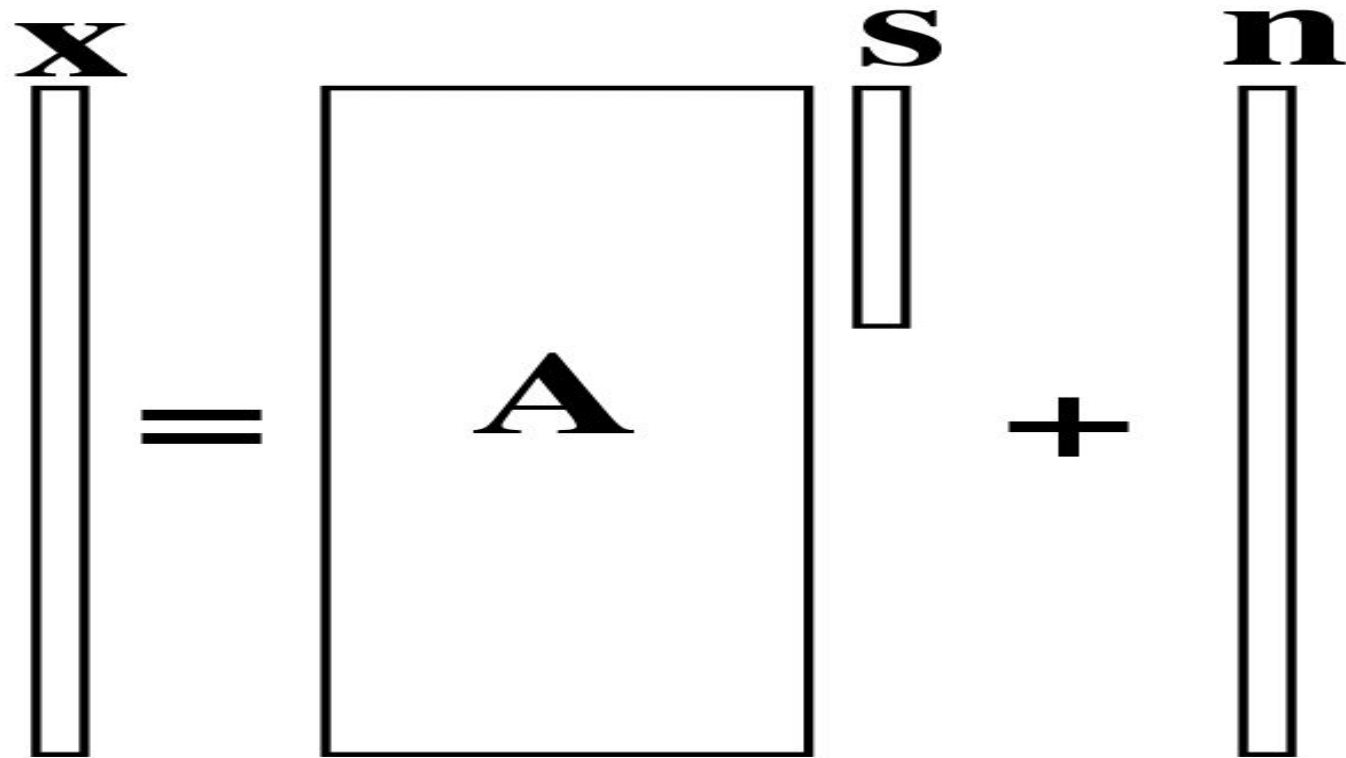
A low-rank model for the data vector  $x$ :

$$x = As + n.$$

where  $A$  is the model basis matrix,  $s$  is the vector of model basis parameters, and  $n$  is noise.

$s$  is unknown,  $A$  is sometimes completely known (unknown), and sometimes is known up to an unknown parameter vector  $\theta$ .

## Low-rank Models

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{n}$$




## Low-rank Models (cont.)

**Case 1:**  $A$  completely known. Then, conventional linear LS:

$$\min_{\mathbf{s}} \|\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\|^2 = \min_{\mathbf{s}} \|\mathbf{x} - A\mathbf{s}\|^2 \implies$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{s}} = (A^H A)^{-1} A^H \mathbf{x}.$$

This approach can be generalized for *multiple snapshot* case:

$$X = AS + N, \quad X = [\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_K],$$

$$S = [\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_K], \quad N = [\mathbf{n}_1, \mathbf{n}_2, \dots, \mathbf{n}_K].$$

$$\min_S \|X - \hat{X}\|^2 = \min_S \|X - AS\|^2 \implies$$

$$\hat{S} = (A^H A)^{-1} A^H X.$$

## Low-rank Models (cont.)

Case 2:  $A$  known up to unknown  $\theta$ . Nonlinear LS:

$$\min_{\mathbf{s}, \boldsymbol{\theta}} \|\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\|^2 = \min_{\mathbf{s}, \boldsymbol{\theta}} \|\mathbf{x} - A(\boldsymbol{\theta})\mathbf{s}\|^2 \implies$$

For fixed  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ :  $\hat{\mathbf{s}} = [A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta})A(\boldsymbol{\theta})]^{-1}A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta})\mathbf{x}$ . Substituting this back into the LS criterion:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left\| \mathbf{x} - A(\boldsymbol{\theta})[A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta})A(\boldsymbol{\theta})]^{-1}A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta})\mathbf{x} \right\|^2 \\ &= \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left\| \left\{ I - A(\boldsymbol{\theta})[A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta})A(\boldsymbol{\theta})]^{-1}A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right\} \mathbf{x} \right\|^2 \\ &= \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left\| P_A^\perp(\boldsymbol{\theta})\mathbf{x} \right\|^2 \iff \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \mathbf{x}^H P_A(\boldsymbol{\theta})\mathbf{x}. \end{aligned}$$

## Low-rank Models (cont.)

Generalization to the *multiple snapshot* case:

$$\min_{S, \boldsymbol{\theta}} \|X - \widehat{X}\|^2 = \min_{S, \boldsymbol{\theta}} \|X - A(\boldsymbol{\theta})S\|^2 \implies$$

$$\widehat{S} = [A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta})A(\boldsymbol{\theta})]^{-1}A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta})X.$$

Substituting this back into the LS criterion:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left\| X - A(\boldsymbol{\theta})[A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta})A(\boldsymbol{\theta})]^{-1}A^H(\boldsymbol{\theta})X \right\|^2 \\ &= \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \|P_A^\perp(\boldsymbol{\theta})X\|^2 = \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \text{tr}\{P_A^\perp(\boldsymbol{\theta})XX^HP_A^\perp(\boldsymbol{\theta})\} \\ &= \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \text{tr}\{P_A^\perp(\boldsymbol{\theta})^2XX^H\} \\ &= \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \text{tr}\{P_A^\perp(\boldsymbol{\theta})XX^H\} \iff \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \text{tr}\{P_A(\boldsymbol{\theta})XX^H\}. \end{aligned}$$

## Low-rank Models (cont.)

Note that

$$XX^H = [\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_K] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1^H \\ \mathbf{x}_2^H \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_K^H \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{x}_k \mathbf{x}_k^H = K \hat{R},$$

where

$$\hat{R} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{x}_k \mathbf{x}_k^H \quad \text{sample covariance matrix!}$$

Therefore, the nonlinear LS objective functions can be rewritten as

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \text{tr}\{P_A^\perp(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \hat{R}\} \iff \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \text{tr}\{P_A(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \hat{R}\}.$$

## Low-rank Models (cont.)

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{1}{K} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^H$$

## Low-rank Models (cont.)

**Case 3:**  $A$  completely unknown.

In this case, a nice result exists, enabling low-rank modeling.

*Theorem (Eckart and Young, 1936):* Given arbitrary  $N \times K$  ( $N > K$ ) matrix  $X$  with the SVD

$$X = U\Lambda V^H,$$

the best LS approximation of this matrix by a low-rank matrix  $X_0$  ( $L = \text{rank}\{X_0\} \leq K$ ) is given by

$$\hat{X}_0 = U\Lambda_0 V^H$$

where the matrix  $\Lambda_0$  is built from the matrix  $\Lambda$  by replacing the lowest  $K - L$  singular values by zeroes.

## Low-rank Models (cont.)

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U} \begin{matrix} \Lambda \\ \text{---} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{matrix} \mathbf{V}^H$$

$$\mathbf{X}_0 = \mathbf{U} \begin{matrix} \Lambda_0 \\ \text{---} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{matrix} \mathbf{V}^H$$

## Low-rank Modeling of Data Matrix

1. Compute SVD of a given data matrix  $X$ ,
2. Specify the model order  $L$ ,
3. From the computed SVD, obtain the low-rank representation using the Eckart and Young's decomposition  $X_0$ .