ON THE EXPONENTIAL REPRODUCING KERNELS FOR SAMPLING SIGNALS WITH FRI

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- Background on FRI
 - Signals with FRI
 - The sampling & reconstruction process
 - Sampling kernels
- The noisy scenario
 - A subspace approach
 - Prewhitening
 - Modified E-Spline kernels

Signals with FRI (i)

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- Signals with finite rate of innovation
 - Finite amount of degrees of freedom
 - Parametric representation
 - Known "shape" g_r(t)
 - Unknown realisation (location t_k , amplitude $\gamma_{k,r}$, ...)

Mathematically

$$x(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \gamma_{k,r} g_r(t-t_k).$$

Signals with FRI (ii)

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Examples of signals with FRI



Sampling a train of Diracs (i)

- □ 1. Obtain the input measurements
 - Traditional linear scheme

$$\begin{bmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \hline & & \uparrow & \downarrow \\ \hline & & & \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{x(t)} h(t) = \varphi\left(-\frac{t}{T}\right) \xrightarrow{y(t)} \xrightarrow{x} T \longrightarrow y_n$$

Input characterised by (t_k, a_k) k = 0, ..., K-1
Set of N samples y_n = (x(t), h(t - nT))

Sampling a train of Diracs (ii)

2. Modify the samples

Obtain new measurements

- Linear transform $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{y}$
- Set of values s_m for m = 0, ..., P

Power series equivalence

$$s_m = f\{y_n\} = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \hat{a}_k u_k^m$$

- Related to the locations and amplitudes
- Classical spectral estimation problem: harmonic retrieval

Sampling a train of Diracs (iii)

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- **3.** Retrieve the input parameters (t_k, a_k)
 - Prony's method --- Annihilating filter method

$$\begin{array}{l}
 h_m \ast s_m = 0 \\
 \mathbf{Sh} = \mathbf{0}
 \end{array}
 \quad \hat{h}(z) = \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} (1 - u_k z^{-1})
 \end{aligned}$$

Toeplitz matrix S is rank deficient

• Obtain t_k from **h** (null-space of **S**)

$$lacksquare$$
 Find a_k using equation $s_m = f\{y_n\} = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \hat{a}_k u_k^m$

Sampling kernels (i)

□ Finite support

Exponential reproducing kernels (Dragotti et al)



Sampling kernels (ii)

Kernel examples (E-Splines)



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The noisy scenario

Sampling scheme



 $\Box \text{ Consider only digital noise: AWGN(0, \sigma)}$ $\tilde{y}_n = \langle x(t), h(t - nT) \rangle + \epsilon_n$

Degrades performance reconstruction algorithms

A Subspace Approach (i)

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Measurements change

$$\hat{s}_m = f\{y_n + \epsilon_n\} = f\{y_n\} + f\{\epsilon_n\} \qquad \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{C}\mathbf{e}$$

Toeplitz matrix S changes too

 $\mathbf{Sh} = \mathbf{0}$ $\begin{pmatrix} s_L & s_{L-1} & \cdots & s_0 \\ s_{L+1} & s_L & \cdots & s_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s_P & s_{P-1} & \cdots & s_{P-L} \end{pmatrix}$ $\hat{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{B}.$

A Subspace Approach (ii)

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Assume the term B is due to AWGN

$$\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{C}\mathbf{e} \qquad \qquad \hat{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{B}.$$
$$\mathbf{S}\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0} \qquad \qquad \|\hat{\mathbf{S}}\mathbf{h}\|^2 \text{ s.t. } \|\mathbf{h}\|^2 = 1$$

 \Box Covariance matrix $\mathbf{B}^*\mathbf{B} = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$

SVD is able to separate signal and noise subspaces
 h vector corresponding to the noise subspace in SVD
 Total Least Squares, Cadzow

A Subspace Approach (iii)

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B for exp rep kernels is due to coloured noise

$$\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{C}\mathbf{e} \qquad \qquad \hat{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{B}.$$
$$\mathbf{S}\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0} \qquad \qquad \|\hat{\mathbf{S}}\mathbf{h}\|^2 \text{ s.t. } \|\mathbf{h}\|^2 = 1$$

Covariance matrix R = λB*B R = Q^TQ
 pre-whiten Ŝ' = ŜQ⁻¹ (BQ⁻¹)*(BQ⁻¹) = σ²λ⁻¹I
 SVD is now able to separate subspaces

Modified TLS or Cadzow

A Subspace Approach (iv)

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□ Simulations



Modifying E-Splines (i)

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Coloured noise term s = Cy + |Ce| $c_{m,n} = e^{\alpha_m n} c_{m,0} \qquad \qquad \varphi(t) = \gamma(t) * \beta_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(t)$

Goal: C to have orthonormal columns

- Orthogonal $\alpha_m = j\omega_m = j\frac{2\pi m}{N}$
- Orthonormal $|c_{m,0}| = 1$

ullet Then, we have a DFT like transform $s_m = \sum c_{m,n} y_n$

Modifying E-Splines (ii)

Orthonormality

Then $|c_{m,0}| = 1$ is equivalent to $\left|\hat{\tilde{\varphi}}\left(\frac{2\pi m}{N}\right)\right| = 1, \quad m = 0, 1, \dots, P.$

Now, the dual is related to the kernel as

$$\hat{\tilde{\varphi}}(\omega) = \frac{\hat{\varphi}(\omega)}{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |\hat{\varphi}(\omega + 2\pi k)|^2}$$

Considering the transforms

$$\hat{\beta}_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(\omega) = \prod_{m=0}^{P} e^{-j\frac{\omega-\omega_m}{2}} \operatorname{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega-\omega_m}{2}\right)$$
$$\hat{\varphi}(\omega) = \hat{\gamma}(\omega)\hat{\beta}_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(\omega)$$

$$\alpha_m = j\omega_m = j\frac{2\pi m}{N}$$
$$- \hat{\tilde{\varphi}}(\omega_m) = \frac{\hat{\varphi}(\omega_m)}{|\hat{\varphi}(\omega_m)|^2}$$

Modifying E-Splines (iii)

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Then
$$|c_{m,0}| = 1$$
 or $\left|\hat{\tilde{\varphi}}\left(\frac{2\pi m}{N}\right)\right| = 1, \quad m = 0, 1, \dots, P.$

Implies that

$$\hat{\tilde{\varphi}}(\omega_m) = \frac{\hat{\varphi}(\omega_m)}{|\hat{\varphi}(\omega_m)|^2} \qquad \alpha_m = j\omega_m = j\frac{2\pi m}{N}$$
$$|\hat{\varphi}(\omega_m)| = |\hat{\gamma}(\omega_m)\hat{\beta}_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(\omega_m)| = 1$$

Modifying E-Splines (iv)

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{\varphi}(\omega_m)| &= |\hat{\gamma}(\omega_m)\hat{\beta}_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(\omega_m)| = 1 \qquad \varphi(t) = \gamma(t) * \beta_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(t) \\ \Leftrightarrow \quad |\hat{\gamma}(\omega_m)| &= |\hat{\beta}_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(\omega_m)|^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

- Polynomial $\sum_i d_i (j\omega)^i$ interpolate $(\omega_m, |\hat{\beta}_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(\omega_m)|^{-1})$ Only find coefficients
 - Maximal-order minimal-support kernel

$$\hat{\varphi}(\omega) = \hat{\beta}_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(\omega) \sum_{i=0}^{P-1} d_i (j\omega)^i \qquad \qquad \varphi(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{P-1} d_i \beta_{\vec{\alpha}_P}^{(i)}(t)$$

Modifying E-Splines (v)

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□ Kernel examples



Modifying E-Splines (vi)

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Simulations



Conclusions

Noisy FRI scenario

- Introduced FRI and explained extension
- Modified TLS / Cadzow for coloured noise
- Redesigned kernels
- Future work
 - Subspace denoising: alternative improvements
 - Other approaches?
 - Adaptive filtering

Questions

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The Sum of Sincs (i)

Consider a modified E-spline s.t.

- P even
- The number of samples N = P + 1
- Kernel centred in zero
- $\varphi'(t) = \varphi\left(t + \frac{P+1}{2}\right)$ $\varphi(t) = \gamma(t) * \beta_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(t)$ Satisfies

$$|\hat{\varphi}(\omega_m)| = |\hat{\gamma}(\omega_m)\hat{\beta}_{\vec{\alpha}_P}(\omega_m)| = b_m$$

We use the periodic extension of the kernel

$$b(t) = \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} \varphi'(t + lN)$$

The Sum of Sincs (ii)

Applying the Poisson summation formula

$$b(t) = \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} \varphi'(t+lN) = \frac{1}{P+1} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{\varphi}'\left(\frac{2\pi k}{P+1}\right) e^{\frac{2\pi k}{P+1}t}$$

where

$$\hat{\varphi}'(\omega) = \gamma(\omega) \prod_{m=0}^{P} \operatorname{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega - \omega_m}{2}\right)$$

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Consider now all the possible values of k, and the subset $\mathcal{K} = \{k : k = \frac{2m-P}{2}, m = 0, \dots, P\}$

then

$$\omega_k = \frac{2\pi k}{P+1} \qquad \begin{aligned} \hat{\varphi}'(\omega_k) &= b_k \quad k \in \mathcal{K}, \\ \hat{\varphi}'(\omega_k) &= 0 \quad k \notin \mathcal{K} \end{aligned}$$

The Sum of Sincs (iii)

In total we have that

$$b(t) = \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} \varphi'(t+lN) = \frac{1}{P+1} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{\varphi}'\left(\frac{2\pi k}{P+1}\right) e^{\frac{2\pi k}{P+1}t}$$

becomes
$$b(t) = \frac{1}{P+1} \sum_{k=-\frac{P}{2}}^{\frac{P}{2}} b_k e^{\frac{2\pi k}{P+1}t}$$

And, finally, with a change of variable we get the SoS kernel

$$b\left(\frac{x}{T}\right) = g(x) = \operatorname{rect}\left(\frac{x}{\tau}\right)\frac{1}{N}\sum_{k\in\mathcal{K}}b_k \mathrm{e}^{\frac{2\pi k}{\tau}x}$$