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session 3 Correlation & PN Sequence

Outline:

- Correlation of DT Signals
- Relevant sections in P & M Text: Sect. 2.6
- Pseudo-Noise Sequences
- Application to Radar
- Application to Spread Spectrum Communications - see [cdmaeg.m](#)

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- Define Cross-Correlation:

$$r_{xy}(k) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]y[n-k]$$

- Auto-Correlation:

$$r_{xx}(k) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]x[n-k]$$

The above definitions are for deterministic cases.

- for each lag k :
 - ▶ shift right by k
 - ▶ point-wise multiply
 - ▶ sum

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- Relative to convolution, missing initial "fold" step:

$$r_{xy}(k) = x[k] * y[-k]$$

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- Example: Pseudo-Noise Sequences

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- Example: Pseudo-Noise Sequences

$$x[n] = \{\underbrace{1}_{n=0}, 1, 1, -1, -1, 1, -1\}$$

$$k = 0, \quad \{1, 1, 1, -1, -1, 1, -1\},$$

$$r_{xx}[0] = 7$$

$$k = 1, \quad \{1, 1, 1, -1, -1, 1, -1\},$$

$$r_{xx}[1] = 0$$

$$r_{xx}[2] = -1, r_{xx}[3] = 0, r_{xx}[4] = -1, r_{xx}[5] = 0, r_{xx}[6] = -1$$

$$r_{xx}[k] = 0 \text{ for } |k| > 6, r_{xx}[k] = r_{xx}[-k] \implies \text{even function.}$$

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- Graphical presentation of the above example
 - ▶ example of a barker code
 - ▶ sharp peak at $k = 0$
 - ▶ time-delay estimation in radar
 - ▶ transmit pulse $S_a(t)$
 - ▶ see Fig. 2.38 on p. 119

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- Received "echo" after reflection off object

$$y_a(t) = \Gamma S_a(t - \tau_d) + W_a(t)$$

- ▶ Γ is an unknown amplitude
- ▶ τ_d is the round-trip time-delay
- ▶ $W_a(t)$ is the noise

- Sampled version:

$$y[n] = \Gamma S_a(nT_s - \tau_d) + W[n]$$

- assume sampling high enough, $\tau_d = DT_s$, where "D" is an integer.

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$S_a(nT_s - DT_s) = S_a((n - D)T_s) = S[n - D]$, where $S[n] = S_a(nT_s)$.

- DT Model:

$$y[n] = \Gamma S[n - D] + W[n]$$

$$\tau_d = DT_s = \frac{2R}{c}$$

where R = Range to target, c = speed of light.

- use cross-correlation to estimate D :

$$R = \frac{cDT_s}{2}$$

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Here is how you estimate "D":

$$\begin{aligned} r_{ys}(k) &= \sum_n y[n] \underbrace{s[n-k]}_{\text{stored in memory}} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (\Gamma s[n-D] + w[n]) s[n-k] \\ &= \Gamma \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} s[n-D] s[n-k] + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} w[n] s[n-k] \quad (A) \end{aligned}$$

- Change of variables: $n' = n - D, \longrightarrow n = n' + D$:

$$\begin{aligned} (A) &= \Gamma \sum_{n'=-\infty}^{\infty} s[n'] s[n' - (k - D)] + r_{ws}[k] \\ &= \Gamma r_{ss}[k - D] + r_{ws}[k]. \end{aligned}$$

NOTE: This peaks at $k = D!!!$

Graphical Presentation ...

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- Example: $a = \text{constant}$, system initially at rest:

$$y[n] = ay[n-1] + x[n]$$

- Impulse Response: when $x[n] = \delta[n]$

$$h[n] = ah[n-1] + \delta[n]$$

$$h[n] = 0, \text{ for } n < 0 \longrightarrow \text{causal system.}$$

- for $n = 0$:

$$h[0] = a \overbrace{h[-1]}^{=0} + 1 = 1$$

$$\text{for } n > 0, h[n] = ah[n-1].$$

$$\text{Consider: } a^n = aa^{n-1}$$

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$$h[n] = a^n u[n]$$

- input $x[n] = u[n]$

output $y[n] = ?$

$$y[n] = h[n] * x[n] = \{a^n u[n]\} * u[n] = \sum_{k=0}^n a^k$$

$$y[n] = \frac{1-a^{n+1}}{1-a}$$

See p.81 in P & M Text.