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MATLAB Basics

Version: 5.2 for Windows

Useful toolboxes: signal processing, statistics, symbolic

m files: script files

Fortran vs. MATLAB example:

Signal generation

$$\text{Math: } s[n] = \cos(2\pi f_0 n) \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$$

```
Fortran:  pi=3.14159
          f0=0.25
          N=25
          do 10 I=1,N
10      s(I)=cos(2*pi*f0*(I-1))
```

```
MATLAB: f0=0.25;N=25;
        s=cos(2*pi*f0*[0:N-1]');
```

Notes: pi already defined, [0:N-1]' is a column vector,
cosine of vector of samples produces a vector output,
MATLAB treats vectors and matrices as elements

Noise Generation

Simplest model for observation noise is white Gaussian noise (WGN)

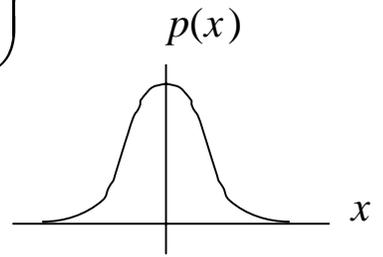
Definition: zero mean, all samples are uncorrelated, power

spectral density (PSD) is flat, and first order probability density function (PDF) is

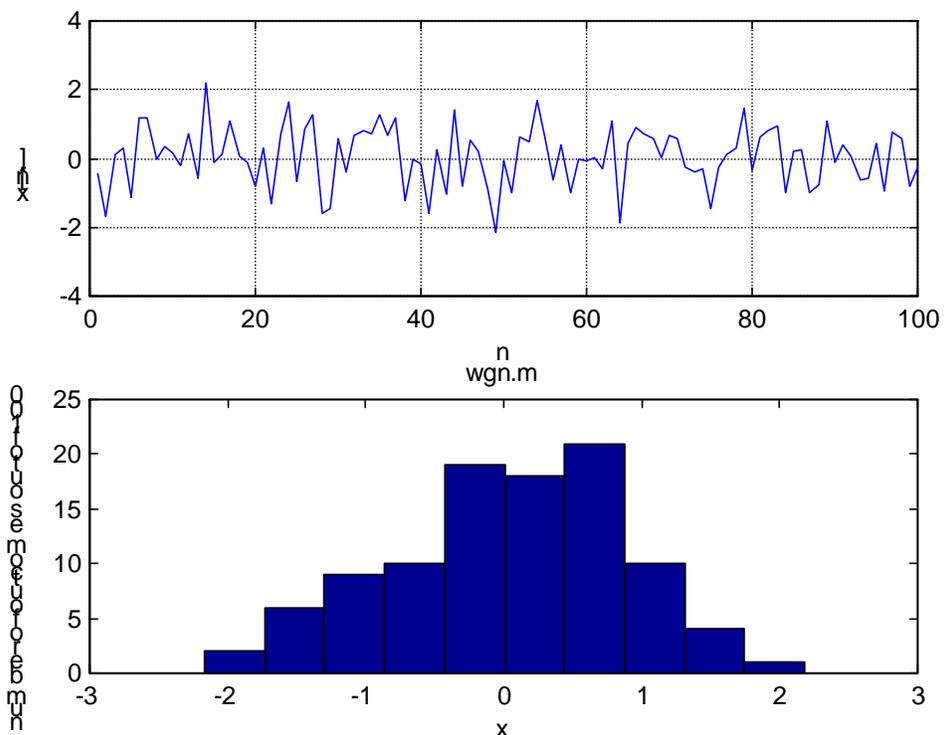
Gaussian

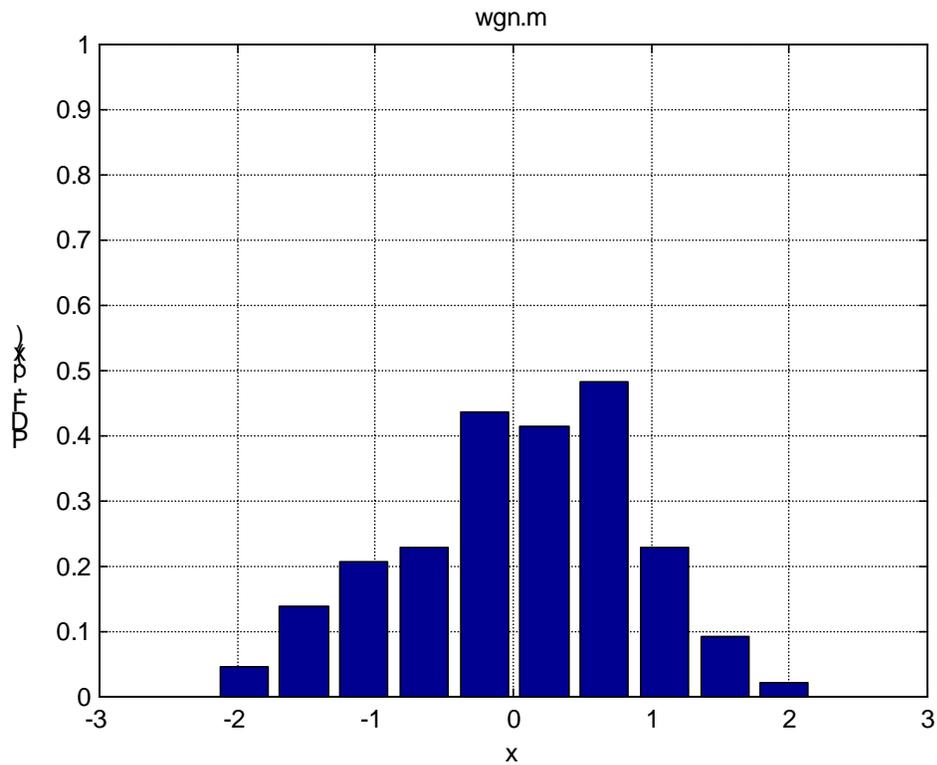
PDF:
$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}x^2\right)$$

where $\sigma^2 = \text{variance}$



MATLAB Example: $\sigma^2 = 1$





Note: `randn('state',0)` sets random number generator to default seed and thus generates the same set of random numbers each time the program is run.

MATLAB code:

```
% wgn.m
%
% This program generates and plots
the time series, histogram, and
```

```
% estimated PDF for real white
Gaussian noise.
randn('state',0)
x=randn(100,1);
subplot(2,1,1)
plot(x)
xlabel('n')
ylabel('x[n]')
grid
subplot(2,1,2)
hist(x)
xlabel('x')
ylabel('number of outcomes out of
100')
title('wgn.m')
figure
pdf(x,100,10,-3,3,1)
xlabel('x')
ylabel('PDF, p(x)')
title('wgn.m')
```

```
% pdf.m
```

```
%
```

```
function
```

```
pdf(x,N,nbins,xmin,xmax,ymax)
```

```
%
```

```
% This function subprogram computes
and plots the
% PDF of a set of data.
%
% Input parameters:
%
%   x      - Nx1 data array
%   N      - number of data points
%   nbins  - number of bins (<N/10)
%   xmin,xmax,ymax - axis scaling
%
[y,xx]=hist(x(1:N),nbins);
delx=xx(2)-xx(1);
bar(xx,y/(N*delx))
grid
axis([xmin xmax 0 ymax]);
```

Complex White Gaussian Noise

Definition: $x[n] = w_1[n] + jw_2[n]$

where $w_1[n]$ and $w_2[n]$ are independent of each other
and

each one is real WGN with variance of $\sigma^2 / 2$

Mean: $E(x[n]) = 0$

Variance: $\text{var}(x[n]) = \text{var}(w_1[n]) + \text{var}(w_2[n]) = \sigma^2$

MATLAB code:

```
% cwgn.m
%
% This program generates complex
white Gaussian noise and
% then estimates its mean and
variance.
%
N=100;
varw=1;
x=sqrt(varw/2)*randn(N,1)+j*sqrt(varw
/2)*randn(N,1);
muest=mean(x)
varest=cov(x)
```

NonGaussian Noise

Generation: transform WGN using a nonlinear memoryless transformation

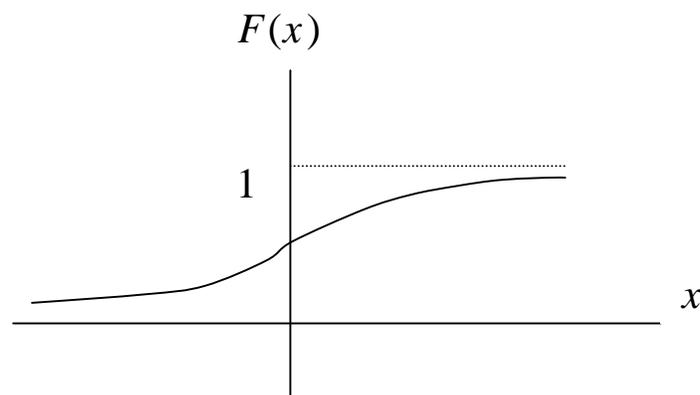
Example: Laplacian noise

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\sqrt{\frac{2}{\sigma^2}} |x|\right)$$

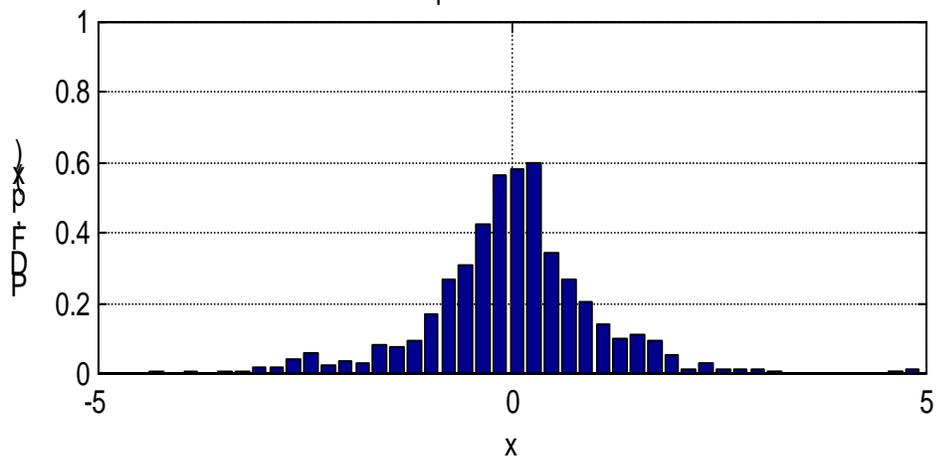
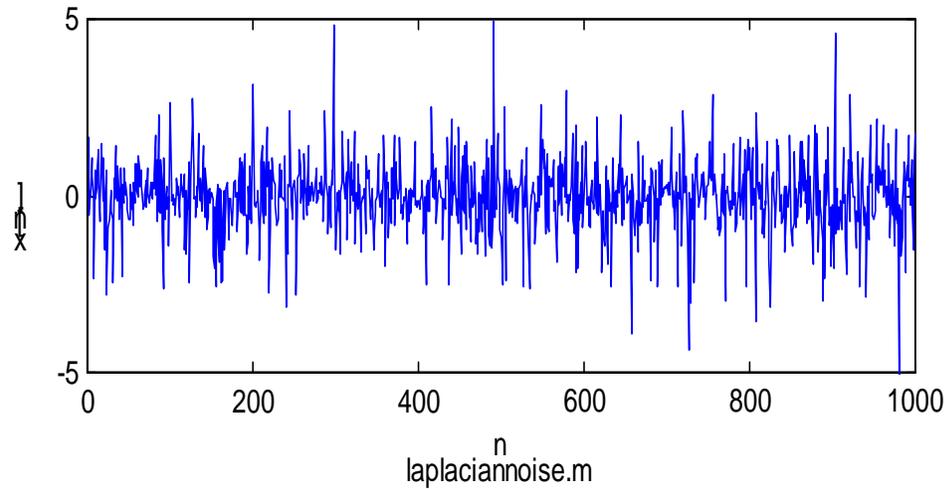
Use the transformation

$$x = F^{-1}(w)$$

where w is uniform random variable on the interval $[0,1]$
and F is the cumulative distribution function of the Laplacian PDF.



Example: $\sigma^2 = 1$



MATLAB Code:

```
% laplaciannoise.m
%
% This program uses a memoryless
% transformation of a uniform
% random variable to generate a set
% of independent Laplacian
% noise samples.
%
    rand('state',0)
    varx=1;N=1000;
    u=rand(N,1);
    for i=1:N
        if u(i)>0.5

x(i,1)=sqrt(varx)*(1/sqrt(2))*log(1/(
2*(1-u(i)))));
            else

x(i,1)=sqrt(varx)*(1/sqrt(2))*log(2*u
(i));
                end
            end
        subplot(2,1,1)
        plot(x)
        xlabel('n')
        ylabel('x[n]')
```

```
axis([0 1000 -5 5]);  
subplot(2,1,2)  
pdf(x,N,50,-5,5,1)  
title('laplaciannoise.m')
```

Solving Parameter Estimation Problems

Approach:

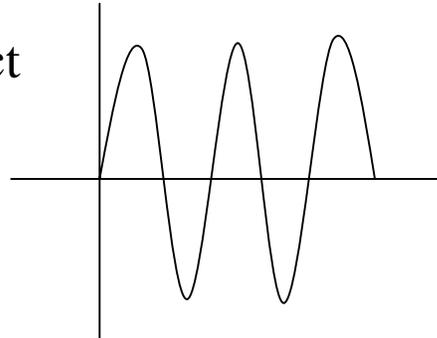
1. Translate problem into manageable estimation problem
2. Evaluate best possible performance (bounds)
3. Choose optimal or suboptimal procedure
4. Evaluate actual performance
 - a. Analytically – exact or approximate
 - b. By computer simulation

Radar Doppler Estimation (Step 1)

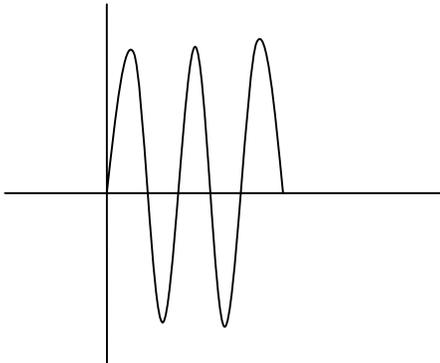
Problem: Given radar returns from automobile,
determine speed to within 0.5 mph

Physical basis: Doppler effect

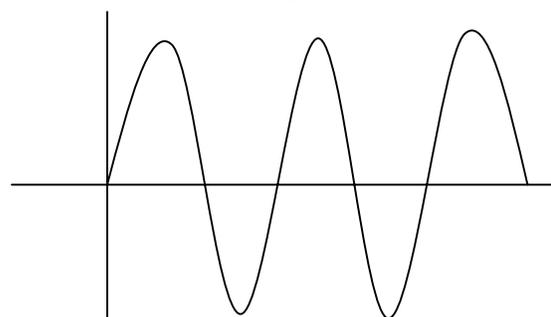
transmit



receive –
approaching



receive-
moving away



Received frequency is

$$F = F_0 + \underbrace{\frac{2v}{c}}_{F_D} F_0$$

where v = velocity, c = speed of light, F_0 = sinusoidal transmit frequency

To measure the velocity use

$$v = \frac{c}{2} \frac{F - F_0}{F_0}$$

and estimate the frequency to yield

$$\hat{v} = \frac{c}{2} \frac{\hat{F} - F_0}{F_0}$$

Modeling and Best Possible Performance (Step 2)

Preprocessing: first demodulate to baseband to produce the sampled complex envelope or

$$\tilde{s}[n] = (A / 2) \exp(j2\pi F_D n \Delta + \varphi)$$
$$\left(F_D = \frac{2v}{c} F_0 \right)$$

Must sample at $F_s = 1 / \Delta > 2F_D = 2 \left(\frac{2v_{\max}}{c} F_0 \right)$

Example: $v_{\max} = 300$ mph, $F_0 = 10.5$ GHz (X-band),
 $c = 3 \times 10^8$ m/s

$$F_{D-\max} = \frac{2v_{\max}}{c} F_0 \approx 9388 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_s > 18,776 \text{ complex samples/sec}$$

How many samples do we need?

Spec: error must be less than 0.5 mph for

$$\text{SNR} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{(A/2)^2}{\sigma^2} > -10 \text{ dB}$$

Cramer-Rao Lower Bound for Frequency

- tells us the minimum possible variance for estimator
– very useful for feasibility studies

$$\text{var}(\hat{f}_D) \geq \frac{6}{(2\pi)^2 \eta N (N^2 - 1)} \quad (*) \quad (\text{see [Kay 1988]})$$

where $f_D = F_D / F_s$, N = number of complex samples,
 η = linear SNR

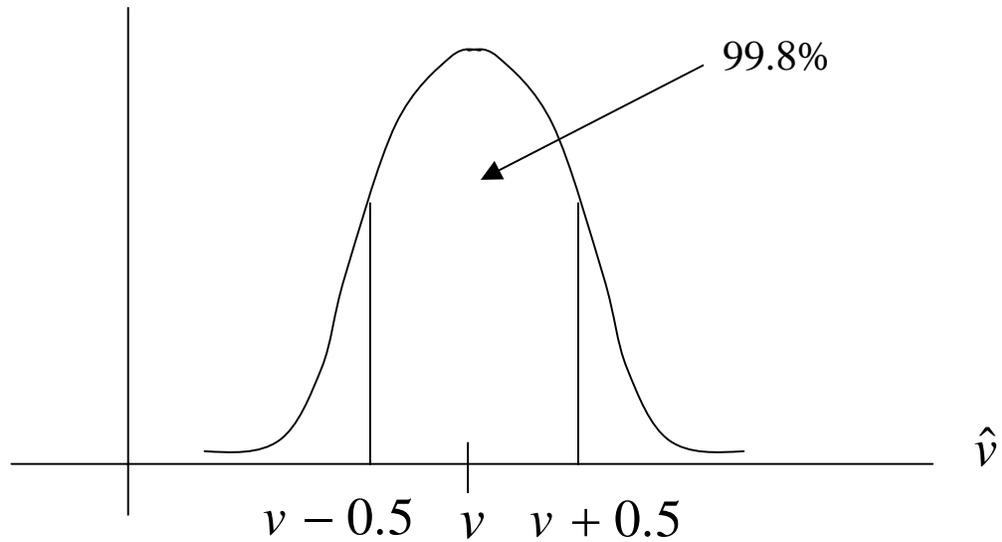
$$\text{Since } F_D = (2v/c)F_0 \Rightarrow v = \frac{cF_s}{2F_0} f_D$$

and we can show that

$$\text{var}(\hat{v}) = \left(\frac{cF_s}{2F_0} \right)^2 \text{var}(\hat{f}_D)$$

For an error of 0.5 mph (0.22 m/s) set

$$3\sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{v})} = 0.22 \Rightarrow \text{var}(\hat{f}_D) = 7.47 \times 10^{-8}$$



and finally we have from (*) that

$$N > \left[\frac{6}{(2\pi)^2 \eta \text{var}(\hat{f}_D)} \right]^{1/3} \approx 272 \text{ samples}$$

Descriptions of MATLAB Programs

1. **analogsim** – simulates the action of an RC filter on a pulse

2. **arcov** - estimates the AR power spectral density using the covariance method for AR parameter estimation for real data.

3. **arexamples** - gives examples of the time series and corresponding power spectral density for various AR models. It requires the function subprograms: gendata.m and armapsd.m.

4. **armapsd** - computes a set of PSD values, given the parameters of a complex or real AR or MA or ARMA model.

5. **arpsd** - plots the AR power spectral density for some simple cases. The external subprogram armapsd.m is required.

6. **arpsdexample** - estimates the power spectral density of two real sinusoids in white Gaussian noise using the periodogram and AR spectral estimators.

It requires the functions subprograms: per.m and arcov.m.

7. **arrivaltimeest** - simulates the performance of an arrival time estimator for a DC pulse. The estimator is a running correlator which is the MLE for white Gaussian noise.

8. **avper** - illustrates the effect of block averaging on the periodogram for white Gaussian noise.

9. **classicalbayesian** - demonstrates the difference between the classical approach and the Bayesian approaches to parameter modeling.

10. **cwgn** - generates complex white Gaussian noise and then estimates its mean and variance.

11. **DClevelhist** - generates Figures 1.4, 1.5 in "Fundamentals of Statistical Signal Processing: Detection Theory", S. Kay

12. **DCleveltime** - generates a data set of white Gaussian noise only and also a DC level A in white Gaussian noise

13. **disretesinc** – plots the graph in linear and dB quantities of a discrete sinc pulse in frequency

14. **estperform** - compares the frequency estimation performance for a single complex sinusoid in complex white Gaussian using the peak location of the periodogram and an AR(1) estimator.

15. **Fig35new** - computes Figure 3.5 (same as Figure 4.5) in "Fundamentals of Statistical Signal Processing: Detection Theory", S. Kay. The function subprograms Q.m and Qinv.m are required.

16. **Fig39new** - computes Figure 3.9 in "Fundamentals of Statistical Signal Processing: Detection Theory", S. Kay. The function subprograms Q.m and Qinv.m are required.

17. **Fig77new** - computes Figure 7.7 in "Fundamentals of Statistical Signal Processing: Detection Theory", S. Kay.

18. **gendata** - generates a complex or real AR, MA, or ARMA time series given the filter parameters and excitation noise variance.

19. **kalman** - implementation of the vector state-scalar observation linear Kalman filter. See (13.50)-(13.54) of "Fundamentals of Statistical Signal Processing: Estimation Theory" by S. Kay for more details.

20. **kalmanexample** - uses the linear Kalman filter to estimate the tap weights for a random TDL channel. It generates Figures 13.16-13.18 in "Fundamentals of Statistical Signal Processing: Estimation Theory", S. Kay. It requires the function subprogram kalman.m.

21. **laplaciannoise** - uses a memoryless transformation of a uniform random variable to generate a set of independent Laplacian noise samples.

22. **linearmodel** - computes the optimal estimator of the parameters of a real or complex linear model. Alternatively, it is just the least squares estimator.

23. **linearmodelexample** - implements a line fit to a noise corrupted line. The linear model or least squares estimator is used. The function subprogram linearmodel.m is required.

24. **MAexample** – plots out the PDF of an MA process

25. **mlevar** - computes the mean, variance, PDF of the MLE for the power of a WGN process and compares it to the CRLB.

26. **montecarloroc** - uses a Monte Carlo approach to determine the detection performance of a Neyman-Pearson detector for a DC level in WGN. The true

performance is shown in "Fundamentals of Statistical Signal Processing: Detection Theory", S. Kay, in Figure 3.9 for $d^2=1$. The function subprogram `roccurve.m` is required.

27. **pcar** - estimates the frequencies of real sinusoids by using the principal component AR approach. Further details can be found in "Modern Spectral Estimation: Theory and Application", by S. Kay.

28. **pdf** - computes and plots the PDF of a set of data.

29. **per** - computes the periodogram spectral estimator. Further details can be found in "Modern Spectral Estimation: Theory and Application", by S. Kay.

30. **perdetectexample** - illustrates the detection performance of a periodogram, which is an incoherent matched filter.

31. **perexamples** - illustrates the capability of the periodogram for resolving spectral lines.

32. **plot1** – plots a sinusoid

33. **psk** - implements a matched filter receiver for the detection of a PSK signal. The data are assumed real.

34. **pskexample** - illustrates the optimal detection/decoding of a PSK encoded digital sequence. The bits are decoded and the probability of error is computed and compared to the number of actual errors. The external function subprogram `psk.m` is required.

35. **Q** - computes the right-tail probability (complementary cumulative distribution function) for a $N(0,1)$ random variable.

36. **Qinv** - computes the inverse Q function or the value which is exceeded by a $N(0,1)$ random variable with a probability of x .

37. **repcorr** - implements a replica correlator for either real or complex data.

38. **repcorrexample** - illustrates the replica-correlator. It requires the subprogram `repcorr.m`.

39. **roccurve** - determines the ROCs for a given set of detector outputs under H_0 and H_1 .

40. **sampling** – plots out an analog sinusoid and the samples taken

41. **seqls** - implements a sequential least squares estimator for a DC level

in WGN of constant variance.

42. **shift** - shifts the given sequence by a specified number of samples. Zeros are shifted in either from the left or right.

43. **signdetexample** - implements a sign detector for a DC level in Gaussian-mixture noise. A comparison is made to a replica correlator, which is just the sample mean.

44. **sinusoid** - generates a sinusoid

45. **stepdown** - implements the step-down procedure to find the coefficients and prediction error powers for all the lower order predictors given the filter parameters and white noise variance of a p th order AR model. See (6.51) and (6.52). This program has been translated from Fortran into Matlab. See "Modern Spectral Estimation" by S. Kay for further details.

46. **timedelaybfr** - implements a time delay beamformer for a line array of 3 sensors. The emitted signal is sinusoidal and is assumed to be at broadside or at 90 degrees (perpendicular to line array).

47. **wgn** - generates and plots the time series, histogram, and estimated PDF for real white Gaussian noise.

48. **wiener** - implements a Wiener smoother for extracting an AR(1) signal in white Gaussian noise and also for predicting an AR(1) signal for no observation noise present.

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