

Parametric Signal Modeling and Linear Prediction Theory

4. The Levinson-Durbin Recursion

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Complexity in Solving Linear Prediction

(Refs: Hayes §5.2; Haykin 4th Ed. §3.3)

Recall Augmented Normal Equation for linear prediction:

$$\underline{\text{FLP}} \quad \mathbf{R}_{M+1} \underline{a}_M = \begin{bmatrix} P_M \\ \underline{0} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \underline{\text{BLP}} \quad \mathbf{R}_{M+1} \underline{a}_M^{B*} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{0} \\ P_M \end{bmatrix}$$

As \mathbf{R}_{M+1} is usually non-singular, \underline{a}_M may be obtained by inverting \mathbf{R}_{M+1} , or Gaussian elimination for solving equation array:

\Rightarrow Computational complexity $O(M^3)$.

Motivation for More Efficient Structure

Complexity in solving a general linear equation array:

- Method-1: invert the matrix, e.g. compute determinant of \mathbf{R}_{M+1} matrix and the adjacency matrices
⇒ matrix inversion has $O(M^3)$ complexity
- Method-2: use Gaussian elimination
⇒ approximately $M^3/3$ multiplication and division

By exploring the structure in the matrix and vectors in LP, Levinson-Durbin recursion can reduce complexity to $O(M^2)$

- M steps of order recursion, each step has a linear complexity w.r.t. intermediate order
- Memory use: Gaussian elimination $O(M^2)$ for the matrix, vs. Levinson-Durbin $O(M)$ for the autocorrelation vector and model parameter vector.

Levinson-Durbin recursion

The **Levinson-Durbin recursion** is an order-recursion to efficiently solve the Augmented N.E.

M steps of order recursion, each step has a linear complexity w.r.t. intermediate order

The recursion can be stated in two ways:

- 1 Forward prediction point of view
- 2 Backward prediction point of view

Two Points of View of LD Recursion

Denote $\underline{a}_m \in \mathbb{C}^{(m+1) \times 1}$ as the tap weight vector of a forward-prediction-error filter of order $m = 0, \dots, M$.

$a_{m-1,0} = 1$, $a_{m-1,m} \triangleq 0$, $a_{m,m} = \Gamma_m$ (a constant “**reflection coefficient**”)

Forward prediction point of view

$$a_{m,k} = a_{m-1,k} + \Gamma_m a_{m-1,m-k}^*, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, m$$

$$\text{In vector form: } \underline{a}_m = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_{m-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \Gamma_m \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \underline{a}_{m-1}^{B*} \end{bmatrix} \quad (**)$$

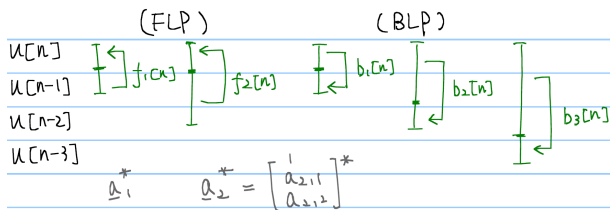
Backward prediction point of view

$$a_{m,m-k}^* = a_{m-1,m-k}^* + \Gamma_m^* a_{m-1,k}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, m$$

$$\text{In vector form: } \underline{a}_m^{B*} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \underline{a}_{m-1}^{B*} \end{bmatrix} + \Gamma_m^* \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_{m-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(can be obtained by reordering and conjugating (**))

Recall: Forward and Backward Prediction Errors



- $f_m[n] = u[n] - \hat{u}[n] = \underline{a}_m^H \underbrace{\underline{u}[n]}_{(m+1) \times 1}$
- $b_m[n] = u[n-m] - \hat{u}[n-m] = \underline{a}_m^{B,T} \underline{u}[n]$

(3) Rationale of the Recursion

Left multiply both sides of (**) by \mathbf{R}_{m+1} :

$$\text{LHS: } \mathbf{R}_{m+1} \underline{a}_m = \begin{bmatrix} P_m \\ \underline{0}_m \end{bmatrix} \text{ (by augmented N.E.)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS (1): } \mathbf{R}_{m+1} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_{m-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_m & \underline{r}_m^{B*} \\ \underline{r}_m^{BT} & r(0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{a}_{m-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}_m \underline{a}_{m-1} \\ \underline{r}_m^{BT} \underline{a}_{m-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_m \\ \underline{0}_{m-1} \\ \Delta_{m-1} \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \Delta_{m-1} \triangleq \underline{r}_m^{BT} \underline{a}_{m-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS (2): } \mathbf{R}_{m+1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \underline{a}_{m-1}^{B*} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} r(0) & \underline{r}^H \\ \underline{r} & \mathbf{R}_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \underline{a}_{m-1}^{B*} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \underline{r}^H \underline{a}_{m-1}^{B*} \\ \mathbf{R}_m \underline{a}_{m-1}^{B*} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_{m-1}^* \\ \underline{0}_{m-1} \\ P_{m-1} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Computing Γ_m

Put together LHS and RHS: for the order update recursion (**) to hold, we should have

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_m \\ \underline{0}_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{m-1} \\ \underline{0}_{m-1} \\ \Delta_{m-1} \end{bmatrix} + \Gamma_m \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_{m-1}^* \\ \underline{0}_{m-1} \\ P_{m-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} P_m = P_{m-1} + \Gamma_m \Delta_{m-1}^* \\ 0 = \Delta_{m-1} + \Gamma_m P_{m-1} \end{cases}$$

\Rightarrow

$$a_{m,m} = \Gamma_m = -\frac{\Delta_{m-1}}{P_{m-1}}$$

$$P_m = P_{m-1} (1 - |\Gamma_m|^2)$$

Caution: not to confuse P_m and Γ_m !

(4) Reflection Coefficients Γ_m

To ensure the prediction MSE $P_m \geq 0$ and P_m non-increasing when we increase the order of the predictor (i.e., $0 \leq P_m \leq P_{m-1}$), we require $|\Gamma_m|^2 \leq 1$ for $\forall m > 0$.

Let $P_0 = r(0)$ as the initial estimation error has power equal to the signal power (i.e., no regression is applied), we have

$$P_M = P_0 \cdot \prod_{m=1}^M (1 - |\Gamma_m|^2)$$

Question: Under what situation $\Gamma_m = 0$?
i.e., increasing order won't reduce error.

Consider a process with Markovian-like property in 2nd order statistic sense (e.g. AR process) s.t. info of further past is contained in k recent samples

(5) About Δ_m

Cross-correlation of BLP error and FLP error : can be shown as

$$\Delta_{m-1} = \mathbb{E} [b_{m-1}[n-1]f_{m-1}^*[n]]$$

(Derive from the definition $\Delta_{m-1} \triangleq \underline{r}_m^{BT} \underline{a}_{m-1}$, and use definitions of $b_{m-1}[n-1]$, $f_{m-1}^*[n]$ and orthogonality principle.)

Thus the reflection coefficient can be written as

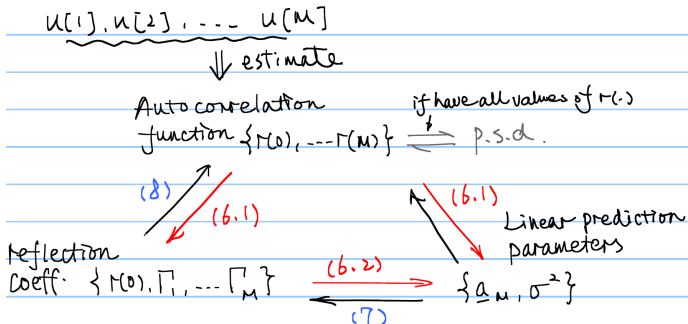
$$\Gamma_m = -\frac{\Delta_{m-1}}{P_{m-1}} = -\frac{\mathbb{E} [b_{m-1}[n-1]f_{m-1}^*[n]]}{\mathbb{E} [|f_{m-1}[n]|^2]}$$

Note: for the 0th order predictor, use mean value (zero) as estimate, s.t.
 $f_0[n] = u[n] = b_0[n]$,

$$\therefore \Delta_0 = \mathbb{E} [b_0[n-1]f_0^*[n]] = \mathbb{E} [u[n-1]u^*[n]] = r(-1) = r^*(1)$$

Preview: Relations of w.s.s and LP Parameters

For w.s.s. process $\{u[n]\}$:



(6) Computing \underline{a}_M and P_M by Forward Recursion

Case-1 : If we know the autocorrelation function $r(\cdot)$:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \Delta_0 = r(-1), \quad P_0 = r(0)$$

$\textcircled{2}$ for $m=1, \dots, M$ (order recursion)

$$P_m = -\frac{\Delta_{m-1}}{P_{m-1}}$$

for $k=1, \dots, m$ (diff predictor parameters for order- m)

$$a_{m,k} = a_{m-1,k} + P_m a_{m-1,m-k}^*$$

(where $a_{m-1,0} = 1$; $a_{m-1,m} = 0$)

$$\Delta u = \Gamma_{m+1}^{BT} \underline{a}_m$$

$$P_m = P_{m-1} (1 - |P_m|^2)$$

- # of iterations = $\sum_{m=1}^M m = \frac{M(M+1)}{2}$, comp. complexity is $O(M^2)$
- $r(k)$ can be estimated from time average of one realization of $\{u[n]\}$:

$$\hat{r}(k) = \frac{1}{N-k} \sum_{n=k+1}^N u[n] u^*[n-k], \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, M$$

(recall correlation ergodicity)

(6) Computing \underline{a}_M and P_M by Forward Recursion

Case-2 : If we know $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \dots, \Gamma_M$ and $P_0 = r(0)$, we can carry out the recursion for $m = 1, 2, \dots, M$:

$$\begin{cases} a_{m,k} = a_{m-1,k} + \Gamma_m a_{m-1,m-k}^*, & k = 1, \dots, m \\ P_m = P_{m-1} (1 - |\Gamma_m|^2) \end{cases}$$

Note: $a_{m,m} = a_{m-1,m} + \Gamma_m a_{m-1,0}^* = 0 + \Gamma_m \cdot 1 = \Gamma_m$

(7) Inverse Form of Levinson-Durbin Recursion

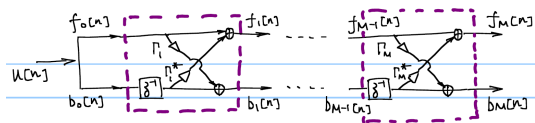
Given the tap-weights \underline{a}_M , find the reflection coefficients $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \dots, \Gamma_M$:

$$\text{Recall: } \begin{cases} \text{(FP)} & a_{m,k} = a_{m-1,k} + \Gamma_m a_{m-1,m-k}^*, \quad k = 0, \dots, m \\ \text{(BP)} & a_{m,m-k}^* = a_{m-1,m-k}^* + \Gamma_m^* a_{m-1,k}, \quad a_{m,m} = \Gamma_m \end{cases}$$

Multiply (BP) by Γ_m and subtract from (FP):

$$a_{m-1,k} = \frac{a_{m,k} - \Gamma_m a_{m,m-k}^*}{1 - |\Gamma_m|^2} = \frac{a_{m,k} - a_{m,m} a_{m,m-k}^*}{1 - |a_{m,m}|^2}, \quad k = 0, \dots, m$$

$\Rightarrow \Gamma_m = a_{m,m}, \Gamma_{m-1} = a_{m-1,m-1}, \dots$ i.e., From $\underline{a}_M \Rightarrow \underline{a}_m \Rightarrow \Gamma_m$
iterate with $m = M - 1, M - 2, \dots$ to lower order



see §5 Lattice structure:

(8) Autocorrelation Function & Reflection Coefficients

The 2nd-order statistics of a stationary time series can be represented in terms of autocorrelation function $r(k)$, or equivalently the power spectral density by taking DTFT.

Another way is to use $r(0), \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \dots, \Gamma_M$.

To find the relation between them, recall:

$$\Delta_{m-1} \triangleq \underline{r}_m^{BT} \underline{a}_{m-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} a_{m-1,k} r(-m+k) \text{ and } \Gamma_m = -\frac{\Delta_{m-1}}{P_{m-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\Gamma_m P_{m-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} a_{m-1,k} r(k-m), \text{ where } a_{m-1,0} = 1.$$

(8) Autocorrelation Function & Reflection Coefficients

$$\textcircled{1} \quad r(m) = r^*(-m) = -\Gamma_m^* P_{m-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} a_{m-1,k}^* r(m-k)$$

Given $r(0), \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \dots, \Gamma_M$, can get \underline{a}_m using Levinson-Durbin recursion s.t. $r(1), \dots, r(M)$ can be generated recursively.

$\textcircled{2}$ Recall if $r(0), \dots, r(M)$ are given, we can get \underline{a}_m .

So $\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_M$ can be obtained recursively: $\Gamma_m = a_{m,m}$

$\textcircled{3}$ These facts imply that the reflection coefficients $\{\Gamma_k\}$ can uniquely represent the 2nd-order statistics of a w.s.s. process.

Summary

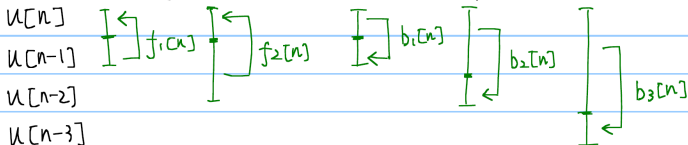
Statistical representation of w.s.s. process

Auto correlation function $\{\Gamma(0), \dots, \Gamma(M)\}$ \iff p.s.d.
 if have all values of $r(\cdot)$

Reflection Coeff. $\{\Gamma(0), \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_M\}$ \iff Linear prediction parameters $\{\underline{a}_M, \sigma^2\}$

(FLP)

(BLP)



Detailed Derivations/Examples

Example of Forward Recursion Case-2

e.g. (case 2). Given $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \Gamma_3$ and $P(0)$, find a_3 and P_3 of a prediction-error filter of order 3.

$$\textcircled{0} P_0 = r(0)$$

$$\textcircled{1} m=1: a_{1,0} = 1; a_{1,1} = \Gamma_1; a_{1,2} = 0; P_1 = P_0(1 - |\Gamma_1|^2)$$

$$\textcircled{2} m=2: a_{2,0} = 1; a_{2,1} = a_{1,1} + \Gamma_2 a_{1,1}^* = \Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2 \cdot \Gamma_1^*$$

used in §2.5.4. for inverse filtering

$$a_{2,2} = \Gamma_2$$

$$P_2 = P_1(1 - |\Gamma_2|^2)$$

$$\textcircled{3} m=3: a_{3,0} = 1; a_{3,1} = a_{2,1} + \Gamma_3 a_{2,2}^* = \Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2 \Gamma_1^* + \Gamma_3 \cdot \Gamma_2^*$$

$$a_{3,2} = a_{2,2} + \Gamma_3 a_{2,1}^* = \Gamma_2 + \Gamma_3 \Gamma_1^* + \Gamma_1 \Gamma_2^* \Gamma_3$$

$$a_{3,3} = \Gamma_3$$

$$P_3 = P_2(1 - |\Gamma_3|^2)$$