

Measurements

Sample Correlations

- L measured samples $\underline{c}_n^{(l)}$, $l=1, \dots, L$, of the received signals
- sample correlations

$$\hat{\underline{r}}_{m,n} = \frac{1}{L} \sum_l \underline{c}_m^{(l)} \underline{c}_n^{(l)*}$$

- estimates of correlations $\underline{r}_{m,n}$
- $\hat{\underline{r}}_{n,m} = \hat{\underline{r}}_{m,n}^*$ still holds
(if both are computed from the same set of samples)
- even if the lags are the same the sample correlations will be different

Sample Correlation Matrix

- L measured samples $\underline{e}^{(l)}$, $l=1 \dots L$, of the received vector

- data matrix

$$\underline{D} = (\underline{e}^{(1)}, \dots, \underline{e}^{(L)}) \quad N \times L \text{ matrix}$$

- sample correlation matrix:

$$\hat{\underline{R}}_{ee} = \frac{1}{L} \sum_l \underline{e}^{(l)} \cdot \underline{e}^{(l)*T}$$

$$= \frac{1}{L} \underline{D} \cdot \underline{D}^{*T}$$

estimate of the correlation matrix \underline{R}_{ee}

- $\text{rank}(\hat{\underline{R}}_{ee}) = \min(N, L)$

\Rightarrow at least $L=N$ samples to obtain a full rank sample correlation matrix

- $\hat{\underline{R}}_{ee}$ is always Hermitian:

$$\hat{\underline{R}}_{ee}^{*T} = \left(\frac{1}{L} \underline{D} \cdot \underline{D}^{*T} \right)^{*T}$$

$$= \frac{1}{L} \underline{D} \cdot \underline{D}^{*T}$$

$$= \hat{\underline{R}}_{ee}$$

- $\hat{\underline{R}}_{ee}$ is always positive semidefinite:

$$\underline{x}^{*T} \cdot \hat{\underline{R}}_{ee} \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{x}^{*T} \cdot \frac{1}{L} \cdot \underline{D} \cdot \underline{D}^{*T} \cdot \underline{x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{L} (\underline{x}^{*T} \cdot \underline{D}) \cdot (\underline{x}^{*T} \cdot \underline{D})^{*T}$$

$$= \frac{1}{L} \|\underline{x}^{*T} \cdot \underline{D}\|^2$$

$$\geq 0 \text{ for all } \underline{x}$$

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function Ree = correlation(A, RRP, sigma, L)
%CORRELATION determine the (sample) correlation matrix
%   Ree: correlation matrix
%   A: array manifold matrix
%   RRP: source correlation matrix
%   sigma: standard deviation of the noise
%   L: number of samples, zero means perfect averaging

N = size(A, 1); % number of antenna elements
K = size(A, 2); % number of sources

if L==0
    Ree = A*RRP*A'+sigma^2*eye(N); % correlation matrix
else
    % filter for generating correlated signals
    [V, D] = eig(RRP);

    % data matrix
    srp = V*sqrt(D)*sqrt(0.5)*(randn(K, L)+j*randn(K, L)); % source vector
    D = A*srp+sqrt(0.5)*sigma*(randn(N, L)+j*randn(N, L)); % noisy data matrix

    Ree = D*D'/L; % sample correlation matrix
end
end
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Eigendecomposition

- singular value decomposition of the data matrix:

$$\underline{D} = \underline{\hat{U}} \cdot \underline{\hat{\Sigma}} \cdot \underline{\hat{V}}^{*T}$$

- eigendecomposition of the sample correlation matrix

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\hat{R}}_{cc} &= \frac{1}{L} \underline{D} \cdot \underline{D}^{*T} \\ &= \frac{1}{L} \underline{\hat{U}} \cdot \underline{\hat{\Sigma}} \cdot \underline{\hat{V}}^{*T} \cdot \underline{\hat{V}} \cdot \underline{\hat{\Sigma}}^T \cdot \underline{\hat{U}}^{*T} \\ &= \underline{\hat{U}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{L} \cdot \underline{\hat{\Sigma}} \cdot \underline{\hat{\Sigma}}^T}_{\wedge} \cdot \underline{\hat{U}}^{*T}\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow The eigenvectors of $\underline{\hat{R}}_{cc}$ are the left singular vectors of \underline{D} .

Example: Sample Correlation Matrix

- uniform linear array:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ n=1 & 2 & 3=N \end{array}$$

exploiting the array geometry:

$$r_{11} = r_{22} = r_{33}$$

$$r_{12} = r_{23} = r_{21}^* = r_{32}^*$$

$$r_{13} = r_{31}^*$$

- only a single sample $L=1$:

$$\underline{c}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \hat{R}_{cc} = \underline{c}^{(1)} \cdot \underline{c}^{(1)*T} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors:

$$\hat{\lambda}_1 = 6 \Rightarrow \underline{\hat{u}}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\hat{u}}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\hat{u}}_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

orthonormal
complement
for $\underline{\hat{u}}_1$

\hat{R}_{cc} is rank deficient due to
insufficient number of samples.

• wrong approach:

One might try to improve the result by averaging over the estimates of correlations which should be equal:

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\underline{R}}_{cc} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

eigenvalues:

$$\hat{\lambda}_1 = \frac{5 + \sqrt{33}}{2} \approx 5,372$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_2 = 1$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_3 = \frac{5 - \sqrt{33}}{2} \approx -0,372$$

$\hat{\underline{R}}_{cc}$ is not a valid sample correlation matrix as it is not positive semidefinite.