

Information Field Theory

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6. Information Hamiltonian

Recap:

Bayes theorem:

$$\mathcal{P}(s|d, I) = \frac{\mathcal{P}(d|s, I)\mathcal{P}(s|I)}{\mathcal{P}(d|I)} = \frac{\mathcal{P}(d, s|I)}{\int ds \mathcal{P}(d, s|I)} = \frac{e^{-\mathcal{H}(d, s|I)}}{\mathcal{Z}(d)}$$

information Hamiltonian : *surprise or information*

$$\mathcal{H}(d, s|I) := -\ln \mathcal{P}(d, s|I)$$

partition function: *evidence*

$$\mathcal{Z}(d|I) := \mathcal{P}(d|I) = \int ds \mathcal{P}(d, s|I) = \int ds e^{-\mathcal{H}(d, s|I)}$$

6.1 Linear Measurement of a Gaussian Signal with Gaussian Noise

Background information I :

$$d = R s + n, \text{ either } d_i = \sum_j R_{ij} s_j + n_i \text{ or } d_i = \int dx R_{ix} s(x) + n_i, \text{ i.g. } R \neq R^\dagger$$

$$\mathcal{P}(s|I) = \mathcal{G}(s, S) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|2\pi S|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} s^\dagger S^{-1} s\right), \quad S = \langle s s^\dagger \rangle_{(s)} = (\langle s_x \bar{s}_y \rangle_{(s)})_{xy} = S^\dagger > 0$$

$$\mathcal{P}(n|s, I) = \mathcal{G}(n, N), \quad N = \langle n n^\dagger \rangle_{(n)} = (\langle n_i \bar{n}_j \rangle_{(n)})_{ij} = N^\dagger > 0, \quad N^{-1} = (N^{-1})^\dagger > 0$$

Calculation of the information Hamiltonian $\mathcal{H}(d, s|I)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(d, s|I) &= -\ln \mathcal{P}(d, s|I) \\ &= -\ln [\mathcal{P}(d|s, I) \mathcal{P}(s|I)] \\ &= -\ln \mathcal{P}(d|s, I) - \ln \mathcal{P}(s|I) \\ &= \mathcal{H}(d|s, I) + \mathcal{H}(s|I) \end{aligned}$$

6.1 Linear Measurement of a Gaussian Signal with Gaussian Noise

$$\mathcal{P}(s|I) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|2\pi S|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}s^\dagger S^{-1}s\right)$$

$$\mathcal{H}(s|I) = -\ln \mathcal{P}(s|I) = \frac{1}{2}s^\dagger S^{-1}s + \frac{1}{2} \ln |2\pi S|$$

$$\mathcal{P}(d|s, I) = \int dn \mathcal{P}(d, n|s, I) = \int dn \underbrace{\mathcal{P}(d|s, n, I)}_{=\delta(d-(Rs+n))} \underbrace{\mathcal{P}(n|s, I)}_{=\mathcal{G}(n, N)} = \mathcal{G}(d - Rs, N)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}(d|s, I) &= -\ln \mathcal{P}(d|s, I) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(d - Rs)^\dagger N^{-1}(d - Rs) + \frac{1}{2} \ln |2\pi N| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [d^\dagger N^{-1}d - s^\dagger \underbrace{R^\dagger N^{-1}d}_{=:j} - \underbrace{d^\dagger N^{-1}Rs}_{=:j^\dagger} + s^\dagger R^\dagger N^{-1}Rs + \ln |2\pi N|] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [s^\dagger R^\dagger N^{-1}Rs - s^\dagger j - j^\dagger s + d^\dagger N^{-1}d + \ln |2\pi N|]\end{aligned}$$

6.1 Linear Measurement of a Gaussian Signal with Gaussian Noise

Summary:

$$d = R s + n$$

$$\mathcal{P}(n, s) = \mathcal{G}(n, N) \mathcal{G}(s, S)$$

$$\mathcal{H}(d, s) = \mathcal{H}(d|s) + \mathcal{H}(s)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [s^\dagger D^{-1} s - s^\dagger j - j^\dagger s] + \mathcal{H}_0$$

$$D^{-1} = S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R = \text{information propagator}^{-1}$$

$$j = R^\dagger N^{-1} d = \text{information source}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = d^\dagger N^{-1} d + \ln |2\pi N| + \ln |2\pi S| = \text{constants in } s$$

$$(D^{-1})^\dagger = (S^{-1})^\dagger + (R^\dagger N^{-1} R)^\dagger = S^{-1} + R^\dagger (N^{-1})^\dagger (R^\dagger)^\dagger = S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R = D^{-1}$$

$$S, N > 0 \Rightarrow S^{-1}, N^{-1} > 0 \Leftrightarrow \forall s, n \neq 0 : s^\dagger S^{-1} s, n^\dagger N^{-1} n > 0$$

$$D^{-1} = \underbrace{\underbrace{S^{-1}}_{>0} + \underbrace{R^\dagger N^{-1} R}_{\geq 0}}_{>0} \Rightarrow D \text{ exists, } D = D^\dagger > 0$$

Quadratic Completion

“ $\hat{=}$ ”: equal up to irrelevant constants, logarithmic brother of proportionality sign “ \propto ”

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}(d, s|I) &\hat{=} \frac{1}{2}[s^\dagger D^{-1}s - j^\dagger s - s^\dagger j] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[s^\dagger D^{-1}s - j^\dagger D D^{-1}s - s^\dagger D^{-1} \underbrace{Dj}_{=: m} \right] \\ &\hat{=} \frac{1}{2} \left[s^\dagger D^{-1}s - \underbrace{(Dj)^\dagger}_{=: m^\dagger} D^{-1}s - s^\dagger D^{-1}m + m^\dagger D^{-1}m \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (s - m)^\dagger D^{-1} (s - m)\end{aligned}$$

Gaussian Posterior

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}(d, s|I) &= \mathcal{H}(d|s, I) + \mathcal{H}(s|I) = \frac{1}{2} (s - m)^\dagger D^{-1} (s - m) + \mathcal{H}'_0 \\ \Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}(d) &= \int ds e^{-\mathcal{H}(d, s)} = \int ds e^{-\frac{1}{2} (s-m)^\dagger D^{-1} (s-m) - \mathcal{H}'_0} \\ &= e^{-\mathcal{H}'_0} \int ds' e^{-\frac{1}{2} s'^\dagger D^{-1} s'} = e^{-\mathcal{H}'_0} \sqrt{|2\pi D|} \\ \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(s|d, I) &= \frac{\mathcal{P}(d, s|I)}{\mathcal{P}(d|I)} = \frac{e^{-\mathcal{H}(d, s|I)}}{\mathcal{Z}(d)} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2} (s-m)^\dagger D^{-1} (s-m) - \mathcal{H}'_0}}{\sqrt{|2\pi D|} e^{-\mathcal{H}'_0}} = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2} (s-m)^\dagger D^{-1} (s-m)}}{\sqrt{|2\pi D|}} \\ &= \mathcal{G}(s - m, D)\end{aligned}$$

Gaussian Posterior

$$\mathcal{P}(s|d, I) = \mathcal{G}(s - m, D)$$

Mean:

$$m = \langle s \rangle_{(s|d, I)} = D j = \underbrace{\left(S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R \right)^{-1} R^\dagger N^{-1} d}_{=: F_W = \text{Wiener filter}}$$

Covariance:

$$D = \langle (s - m)(s - m)^\dagger \rangle_{(s|d, I)} = \left(S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R \right)^{-1} \leq S$$
$$D^{-1} = S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R \geq S^{-1} \quad \square$$

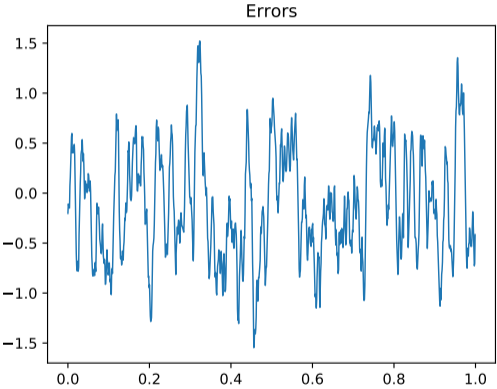
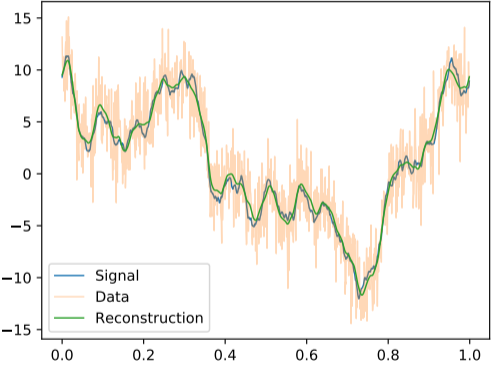
Information source:

$$j = R^\dagger N^{-1} d$$

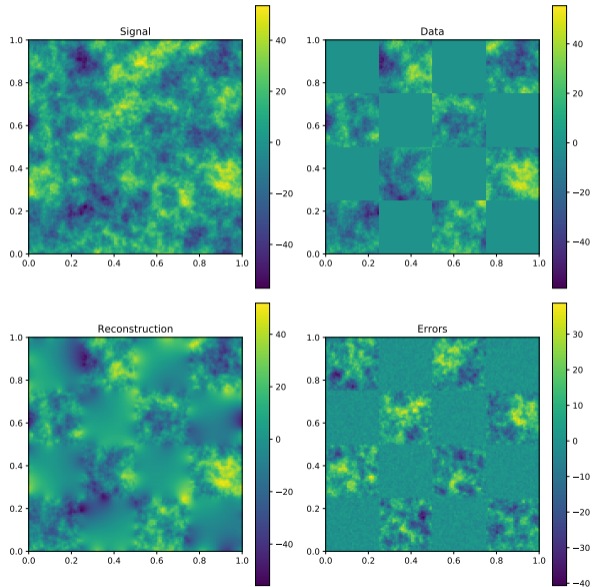
1σ -range:

$$s_x = m_x \pm \sqrt{D_{xx}}$$

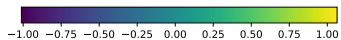
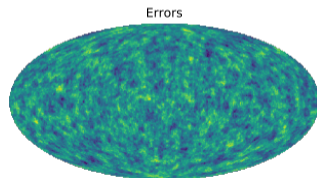
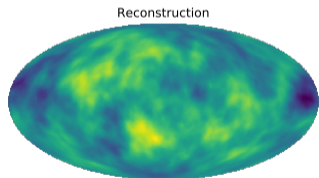
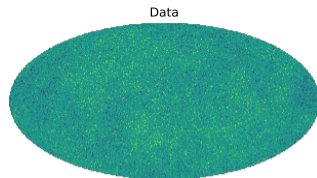
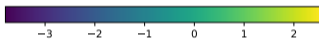
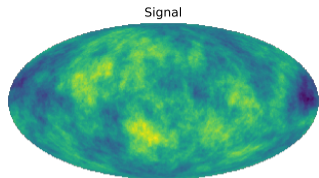
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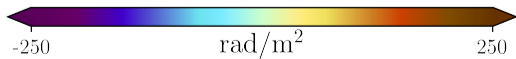
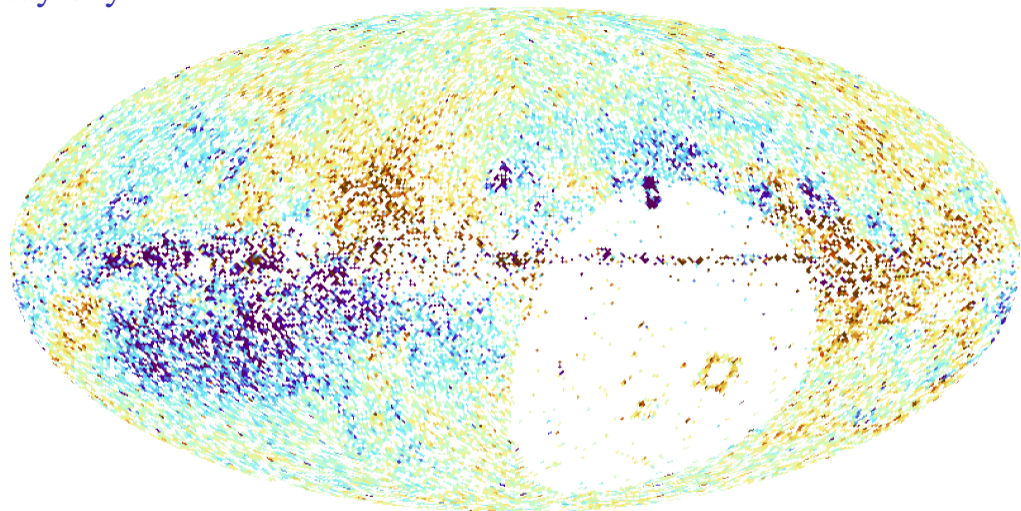
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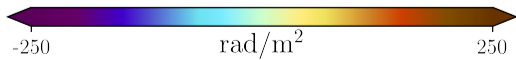
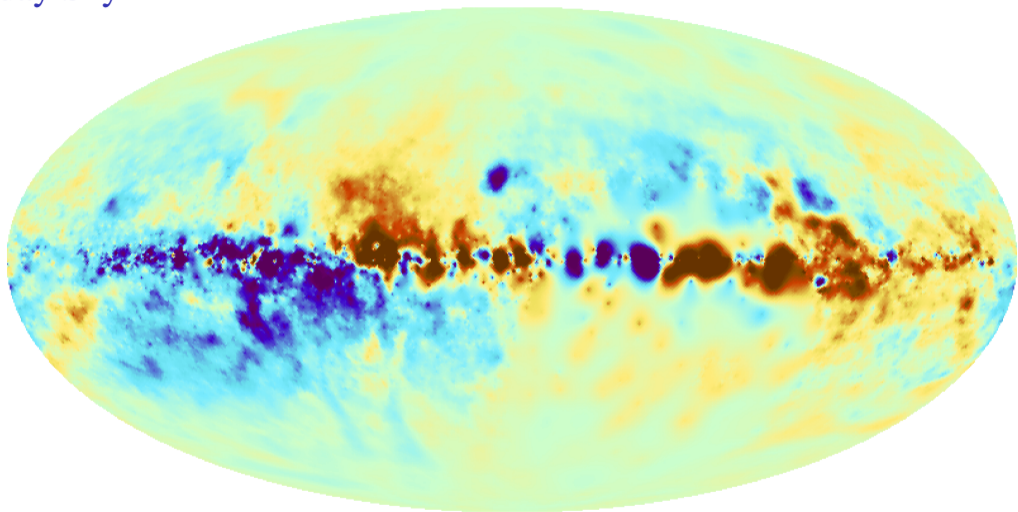
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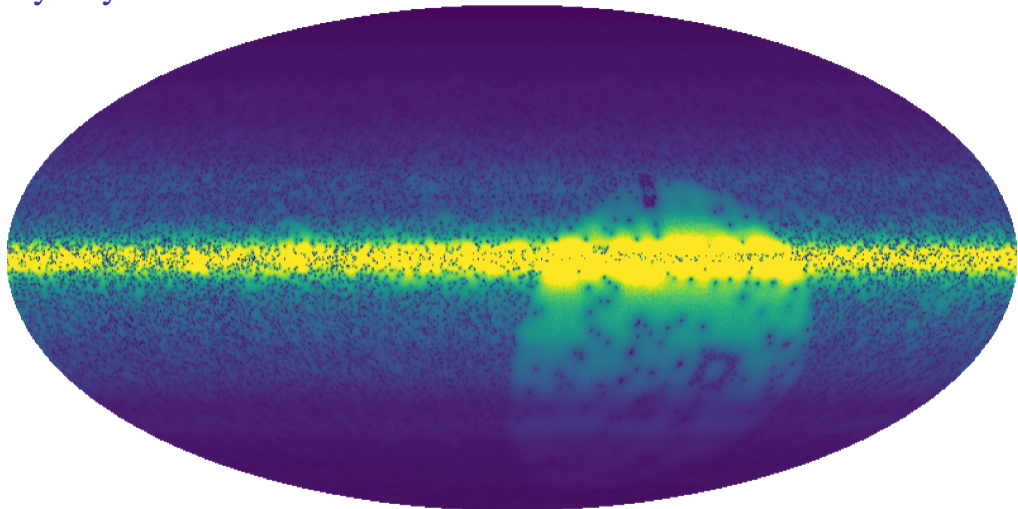
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NIFTy



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IFT – Information Field Theory

Discretisation and Volume in NIFTy

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NIFTy – Numerical Information Field Theory

NIFTy ^{1, 2}, “Numerical Information Field Theory”, is a versatile library designed to enable the development of signal inference algorithms that are independent of the underlying grids (spatial, spectral, temporal, ...) and their resolutions. Its object-oriented framework is written in Python, although it accesses libraries written in C++ and C for efficiency.

NIFTy offers a toolkit that abstracts discretized representations of continuous spaces, fields in these spaces, and operators acting on these fields into classes. This allows for an abstract formulation and programming of inference algorithms, including those derived within information field theory. NIFTy’s interface is designed to resemble IFT formulae in the sense that the user implements algorithms in NIFTy independent of the topology of the underlying spaces and the discretization scheme. Thus, the user can develop algorithms on subsets of problems and on spaces where the detailed performance of the algorithm can be properly evaluated and then easily generalize them to other, more complex spaces and the full problem, respectively.

The set of spaces on which NIFTy operates comprises point sets, n -dimensional regular grids, spherical spaces, their harmonic counterparts, and product spaces constructed as combinations of those. NIFTy takes care of numerical subtleties like the normalization of operations on fields and the numerical representation of model components, allowing the user to focus on formulating the abstract inference procedures and process-specific model properties.

<http://ift.pages.mpcdf.de/nifty/>

7. Linear Filter Theory

7.1 Optimal Linear Filter: reconstruct linear signal estimate via $m = F_L d$

Background information I :

- ▶ s : unknown signal
- ▶ d : measured data
- ▶ $\langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}$, $\langle ds^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}$, $\langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}$: assumed to be known covariances

Expected root mean square (RMS) error E :

$$\begin{aligned} E^2 &= \langle (s - m)^\dagger (s - m) \rangle_{(d,s)} \\ &= \sum_i \langle |s_i - m_i|^2 \rangle_{(d,s)} \\ &= \langle s^\dagger s \rangle_{(d,s)} - \langle s^\dagger m \rangle_{(d,s)} - \langle m^\dagger s \rangle_{(d,s)} + \langle m^\dagger m \rangle_{(d,s)} \end{aligned}$$

RMS Error

$$E^2 = \langle s^\dagger s \rangle_{(d,s)} - \langle s^\dagger m \rangle_{(d,s)} - \langle m^\dagger s \rangle_{(d,s)} + \langle m^\dagger m \rangle_{(d,s)}$$
$$m = F_L d$$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle s^\dagger s \rangle_{(d,s)} &= \text{Tr} \langle s^\dagger s \rangle_{(d,s)} = \text{Tr} \langle s s^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} = \text{Tr} S \\ \langle s^\dagger m \rangle_{(d,s)} &= \text{Tr} \langle m s^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} = \text{Tr} \left(F_L \langle d s^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \right) \\ \langle m^\dagger s \rangle_{(d,s)} &= \text{Tr} \langle s m^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} = \text{Tr} \left(\langle s d^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} F_L^\dagger \right) \\ \langle m^\dagger m \rangle_{(d,s)} &= \text{Tr} \langle m m^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} = \text{Tr} \left(F_L \langle d d^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} F_L^\dagger \right) \\ E^2 &= \text{Tr} \left[\langle s s^\dagger \rangle - F_L \langle d s^\dagger \rangle - \langle s d^\dagger \rangle F_L^\dagger + F_L \langle d d^\dagger \rangle F_L^\dagger \right]\end{aligned}$$

Minimization of RMS Error

$$E^2 = \text{Tr} \left[\langle ss^\dagger \rangle - F_L \langle ds^\dagger \rangle - \langle sd^\dagger \rangle F_L^\dagger + F_L \langle dd^\dagger \rangle F_L^\dagger \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial E^2}{\partial F_L^\dagger} = \left(0 - 0 - \langle sd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} + F_L \langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \right)^\dagger \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

$$F_L \langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \stackrel{!}{=} \langle sd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}$$

$$F_L = \underbrace{\langle sd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}}_{\text{cross-correlation}} \underbrace{\langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}^{-1}}_{\text{auto-correlation}^{-1}} = \text{optimal linear filter}$$

Claim: Wiener filter is optimal linear filter, $F_L = F_W$

Wiener filter: $F_W = (S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R)^{-1} R^\dagger N^{-1}$

- ▶ linear measurement: $d = R s + n$
- ▶ Gaussian signal and Gaussian noise: $P(s, n) = \mathcal{G}(s, S) \mathcal{G}(n, N)$

Proof A: Wiener Filter is Optimal Linear Filter

Covariances:

$$\langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} = \langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(n,s)} =: S$$

$$\langle ds^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} = \langle (Rs + n)s^\dagger \rangle_{(n,s)} = R \underbrace{\langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(n,s)}}_{=S} + \underbrace{\langle ns^\dagger \rangle_{(n,s)}}_{=0} =: RS$$

$$\langle sd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} = SR^\dagger$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} &= \langle (Rs + n)(Rs + n)^\dagger \rangle_{(s)} \\ &= R \langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(n,s)} R^\dagger + R \underbrace{\langle sn^\dagger \rangle_{(n,s)}}_{=0} + \underbrace{\langle ns^\dagger \rangle_{(n,s)}}_{=0} R^\dagger + \langle nn^\dagger \rangle_{(n,s)} \\ &=: RSR^\dagger + N \end{aligned}$$

Proof A: Wiener Filter is Optimal Linear Filter

Optimal linear filter: $F_L = \langle sd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}^{-1} = SR^\dagger (RSR^\dagger + N)^{-1}$

Wiener filter: $F_W = (S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R)^{-1} R^\dagger N^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} F_L &\stackrel{?}{=} F_W \\ SR^\dagger (RSR^\dagger + N)^{-1} &\stackrel{?}{=} (S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R)^{-1} R^\dagger N^{-1} && | \cdot (RSR^\dagger + N) \text{ right} \\ SR^\dagger &\stackrel{?}{=} (S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R)^{-1} R^\dagger N^{-1} (RSR^\dagger + N) && | \cdot (S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R) \text{ left} \\ (S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R) SR^\dagger &\stackrel{?}{=} R^\dagger N^{-1} (RSR^\dagger + N) \\ R^\dagger + R^\dagger N^{-1} RSR^\dagger &\stackrel{?}{=} R^\dagger N^{-1} RSR^\dagger + R^\dagger \\ R^\dagger + R^\dagger N^{-1} RSR^\dagger &= R^\dagger N^{-1} RSR^\dagger + R^\dagger \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Proof B: Wiener Filter is Optimal Linear Filter

- ▶ \mathbb{D} : data space
- ▶ \mathbb{S} : signal space
- ▶ \mathbb{X} : some space
- ▶ linear operators $A : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$, $B : \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$, and $X, Y : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$

$$\begin{aligned}A(BA + \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{D}}) &= (AB + \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{S}})A \\ \Rightarrow (AB + \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{S}})^{-1}A &= A(BA + \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{D}})^{-1} \\ \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{X}} + X^{-1}Y &= X^{-1}(X + Y) \\ \Rightarrow (X + Y)^{-1} &= (\mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{X}} + X^{-1}Y)^{-1}X^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

Proof B: Wiener Filter is Optimal Linear Filter

$$\begin{aligned}(AB + \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{S}})^{-1}A &= A(BA + \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{D}})^{-1} \\ (X + Y)^{-1} &= (\mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{X}} + X^{-1}Y)^{-1}X^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Optimal linear filter: $F_L = \langle sd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}^{-1} = SR^\dagger(RSR^\dagger + N)^{-1}$
- ▶ Wiener filter: $F_W = (S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1}R)^{-1}R^\dagger N^{-1}$

With $A = R^\dagger$, $X = N$ it follows:

$$\begin{aligned}F_L &= SR^\dagger(RSR^\dagger + N)^{-1} \\ &= SR^\dagger(N^{-1}RSR^\dagger + \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{D}})^{-1}N^{-1} \\ &= S(R^\dagger N^{-1}RS + \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{S}})R^\dagger N^{-1} \\ &= (R^\dagger N^{-1}R + S^{-1})^{-1}R^\dagger N^{-1} \\ &= F_W\end{aligned}$$

Summary: Wiener Filter as Optimal Linear Filter

- ▶ linear measurement: $d = Rs + n$
- ▶ Gaussian signal and Gaussian noise: $P(s, n) = \mathcal{G}(s, S) \mathcal{G}(n, N)$
 $\Rightarrow F_L = F_W$

Wiener filter in signal space:

$$F_W = \underbrace{(S^{-1} + R^\dagger N^{-1} R)^{-1}}_{=D} R^\dagger N^{-1}$$

Wiener filter in data space:

$$F_L = \underbrace{SR^\dagger}_{=\langle sd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}} \underbrace{(RSR^\dagger + N)^{-1}}_{=\langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}^{-1}}$$

Linear Response and Noise

- ▶ signal covariance:

$$\langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} =: S$$

- ▶ signal response: $RS = \langle ds^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}$

$$R = \langle ds^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} S^{-1} = \langle ds^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}^{-1}$$

- ▶ noise covariance: $RSR^\dagger + N = \langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}$

$$\begin{aligned} N &= \langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} - RSR^\dagger \\ &= \langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} - \langle ds^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}^{-1} \langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}^{-1} \langle sd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \\ &= \langle dd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} - \langle ds^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \langle ss^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)}^{-1} \langle sd^\dagger \rangle_{(d,s)} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ linear noise:

$$n = d - Rs$$

End