

## 6.0 Causal Solution to Spectral Shaping

Consider

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{W}.$$

**Definition:** A transformation  $\mathbf{H}$  is *causal* if  $\mathbf{H}$  is a lower triangular square matrix:

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ h_{n1} & h_{n2} & \dots & h_{nn} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Here

$$X_i(u) = X(u, i) = \sum_{j=1}^n h_{ij}W_j(u)$$

or

$$X_i(u) = \sum_{j=1}^i h_{ij}W_j(u) \text{ for } \mathbf{H} \text{ causal.}$$

If  $\mathbf{K}_\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{I}$  then

$$\mathbf{K}_\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{H}^\dagger.$$

We write

$$\mathbf{K}_\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} k_{11} & k_{12} & \dots & k_{1n} \\ k_{21} & k_{22} & \dots & k_{2n} \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ k_{n1} & k_{n2} & \dots & k_{nn} \end{bmatrix}.$$

### 6.1 Direct Method for Causal Factorization

$$k_{11} = h_{11}h_{11}^* = |h_{11}|^2, \quad k_{12} = h_{11}h_{21}^*, \text{ etc.}$$

We can solve for the  $h_{ij}$  this way.

### 6.2 Row Operation Method for Causal Factorization

The row operation method involves performing row operations to write (for  $\mathbf{K}$  full rank)

$$\mathbf{L}\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{U}$$

where  $\mathbf{L}$  is lower triangular and  $\mathbf{U}$  is upper triangular.  $\mathbf{L}$  is the product of lower triangular matrices that perform row operations on  $\mathbf{K}$ . So

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{U}.$$

$\mathbf{L}^{-1}$  is also lower triangular. Now we can write  $\mathbf{K}$  as

$$\mathbf{K} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\mathbf{D}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\dagger$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}$  and  $\mathbf{D}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\dagger = \mathbf{U}$ .  $\mathbf{D}$  is the diagonal of  $\mathbf{U}$ . So

$$\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{L}^{-1})^\dagger \Rightarrow \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{L}^{-1})^\dagger.$$

Let

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{D}^{1/2}.$$

This is okay since  $d_{ij} \geq 0$ . Note

$$\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{D}^{1/2} = (\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{U})^\dagger \mathbf{D}^{1/2} = \mathbf{U}^\dagger \mathbf{D}^{-1/2} = (\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}\mathbf{U})^\dagger.$$

So

$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}\mathbf{U})^\dagger$$

is a causal solution.

Observe we do not actually need to find  $\mathbf{D}$  to form  $\mathbf{H}$ .

To form  $\mathbf{H}^\dagger$

1. Perform row operations on  $\mathbf{K}$  until upper triangular  $\mathbf{U}$  is found.
2. Divide each row of  $\mathbf{U}$  by the square root of the element on the corresponding main diagonal in the row.

If  $\mathbf{K}$  is not full rank then we will get at least one zero row when forming  $\mathbf{U}$ . In this case simply leave those rows untouched when dividing by the square root of the diagonal elements.

## Cholesky Decomposition

**Theorem:** Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a  $n \times n$  positive definite Hermitian symmetric matrix. Then we can write

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^\dagger$$

where  $\mathbf{L}$  is lower triangular with positive nonzero entries on the diagonal.

**Proof:** By induction. For  $n = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{K} = (k_{11})$ ,  $k_{11} > 0$  so  $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{L}^\dagger = \sqrt{k_{11}}$ . Suppose true for  $n - 1$ . Partition  $\mathbf{K}$  as

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{n-1,n-1} & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{b}^\dagger & k_{nn} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since  $\mathbf{K}_{n-1,n-1}$  is a principal submatrix of a positive definite matrix it is itself positive definite,  $k_{nn} > 0$ , real and  $\mathbf{b}$  is  $(n - 1) \times 1$ . By induction

$$\mathbf{K}_{n-1,n-1} = \mathbf{L}_{n-1,n-1}\mathbf{L}_{n-1,n-1}^\dagger.$$

We look for  $\mathbf{L}$  as

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{n-1,n-1} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{c}^\dagger & \alpha \end{bmatrix}.$$

So,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{n-1,n-1} & \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{b}^\dagger & k_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{n-1,n-1} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{c}^\dagger & \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{n-1,n-1} & \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{0} & \alpha \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus,

$$\mathbf{L}_{n-1,n-1}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{b}$$

and

$$\mathbf{c}\mathbf{c}^\dagger + \alpha^2 = k_{nn}.$$

So

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{L}_{n-1,n-1}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

$$0 < \det(\mathbf{K}) = \alpha^2 \cdot [\det(\mathbf{L}_{n-1,n-1})]^2$$

thus  $\alpha^2$  is positive and real. We can solve

$$\|\mathbf{c}\|^2 + \alpha^2 = k_{nn}$$

for  $\alpha > 0$ .