

# Signal Processing for the Earth Sciences

Homework 3; Due November 3, 2023

October 11, 2023

- 1)     **a)** Show that the N-point DFT of a real sequence,  $x_n$ , is Hermitian, i.e.,  
$$X_{N-k} = X_k^*.$$
- b)** Show that the N independent numbers of the real input sequence,  $x_n$ , produce only  $N/2+1$  independent output numbers (N even) or  $(N-1)/2+1$  independent output numbers (N odd) in this case. Why hasn't information been lost?

2) Estimate Power Spectral density for the 100 sample/s time series *mysteryseries.ascii* posted on the class website. The units of the time series are m/s.

**a)** Use a data length of  $N_1 = 2^{14} = 16384$  samples (163.84 s).

**b)** Use a data length of  $N_2 = 2^{16} = 65536$  samples (655.36 s).

**c)** Use a data length of  $N_3 = 2^{18} = 262144$  samples (2621.44 s).

In each case, estimate the PSD using the *pwelch* MATLAB function with 16 subwindows (NFFT=N/16). Plot your one-sided (nonnegative frequency) PSD estimates on a decibels vs. log (base 10) frequency scale. Title your plots appropriately, and show the proper units for the PSD and frequency axes.

**d)** For (c), calculate total signal power in the time and frequency (PSD) domains by doing appropriate sums, and show that they are equivalent.

**e)** Estimate the relative signal amplitudes of any narrow-band spectral components you observe in (c).

**f)** Using the convolution theorem, convolve the mystery time series with the velocity-to-velocity response of an underdamped  $\omega_s = 4\pi$  Hz ( $f_s = 2$  Hz) seismometer with damping  $\zeta = \omega_s / \sqrt{2}$ . Explain the observed changes in the PSD using the full  $N_3$  samples of data, relative to the result of (c).