Estimating the state of a one-dimensional waveguide

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- The required signal processing consists only of applying gains, integrating, summing, and differencing.
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The estimator is accurate and the interference from the left-going traveling wave is more than 50dB down for $f \in [0\text{kHz} \quad 1.2\text{kHz}]$. 
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\[ \text{Estimator} \]

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\[ \hat{y}_r(t, x - d) = \frac{(1+\eta^2)\sigma^2_S}{2\sigma^2_S + \sigma^2_N} (s_1(t) - \eta s_2(t - 2d/c)) + \eta^2 \hat{y}_r(t - 4d/c, x - d) \]
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For $\sigma_N^2 << \sigma_S^2$, $\eta \approx 1 - \sqrt{\sigma_N^2 / \sigma_S^2}$. 
Causal Wiener Filter Estimator

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For \( \sigma_N^2 = 0 \) (i.e. \( \eta = 1 \)), the solution is the same as before in the noiseless case. \( \sigma_N^2 > 0 \) stabilizes the estimator poles.
Delay Method Example \( \left( \frac{\sigma_S^2}{\sigma_N^2} = 60 \text{dB} \right) \)

Interference is more than 50dB down and the increase in sensor noise power is less than 12dB for \( f \in [0.2 \text{kHz}, 1 \text{kHz}] \).
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- Let \( w = [w_1^T \ w_2^T \ldots \ w_M^T]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{LM \times 1} \), where each of the distinct FIR filters has length \( L \).
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Optimal \(w^* = (R_{NN} + \lambda C_R^T C_R + \mu C_L^T C_L)^{-1} \lambda C_R^T 1\)
The estimator has 0.8dB of ripple for $f \in [0.2kHz \ 10.2kHz]$
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Parameters for the different methods were adjusted such that

1. the interference rejection was at least 50dB
2. the peak increase in noise power was about 12dB
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\(^1\)Bandwidth is measured from 200Hz upward
Thanks

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