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## UNIT 6: Linear prediction

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# Linear prediction

- Linear prediction is based on using filtering to predict the values of a signal, given its past values
- It can be used for
  - Data compression
  - System modeling
- In this course we focus on the second application
  - Given a signal, model the LTI system that produced it
  - If an *all-pole* filter is used, then the **spectrum** of the signal can be accurately estimated

# Autoregressive (AR) or All-Pole Modeling

**Problem:** Obtain an AR model when the input to the system  $x(n)$  is unknown. We only know the output  $y(n)$

**Solution (1/4):** An AR model requires the current input sample  $x(n)$  and the last  $P$  values of the signal  $y(n)$  (output of the system)

$$y(n) = - \sum_{k=1}^P a_k y(n-k) + G \cdot x(n)$$

gain      IIR filter

- The transfer function is equal to



$$H(z) = \frac{G}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^P a_k z^{-k}} = \frac{G}{A(z)}$$

polinomio en el denominador

# Autoregressive (AR) or All-Pole Modeling

## Solution (2/4):

- Since we do not know the input  $\mathbf{x}(n)$  we resort to the following equation:

$$\tilde{y}(n) = - \sum_{k=1}^P a_k y(n-k)$$

where  $\tilde{y}(n)$  is an estimation of  $y(n)$

- If can be proven that finding the set of coefficients that minimizes the **MSE** between the signal  $y(n)$  and its estimation  $\tilde{y}(n)$  leads to the following:
  - The minimization of the error is an estimation of the spectrum of  $\mathbf{y}(n)$  given that the following formula is used:

$$\widetilde{S}_{YY}(\omega) = |H(\omega)|^2 = \frac{G^2}{|A(Z)|^2} = \frac{G^2}{|1 + \sum_{k=1}^P a_k \exp(-jk\omega)|^2}$$

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- If the estimation of the power spectrum is used only to analyze the frequency response of  $\mathbf{y}(n)$ , with disregard of the magnitude, it is not necessary to compute the value of  $\mathbf{G}$ , thus

$$\widetilde{S}_{YY}(\omega) \propto \frac{1}{|1 + \sum_{k=1}^P a_k \exp(-jk\omega)|^2}$$

- For  $P \rightarrow \infty$  the estimation is perfect

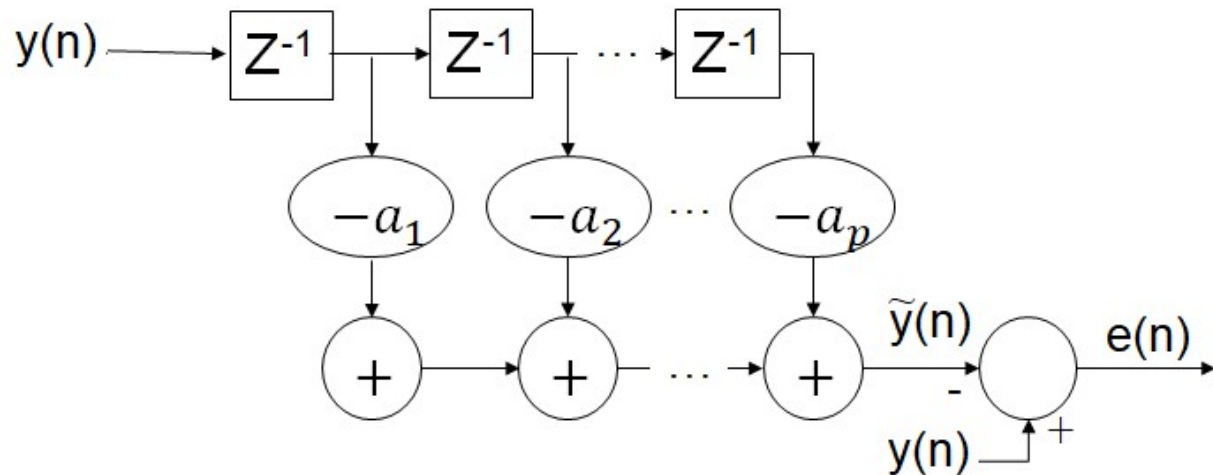
P = number of coefficients

# Autoregressive (AR) or All-Pole Modeling

## Solution (4/4):

FIR FILTER

- The optimization of the coefficient is performed by minimizing  $E[e^2(n)]$



$$y[n] = \sum_{k=1}^P y[n-k] a_k$$

- The coefficients of the filter can be obtained following a similar approach to that of the

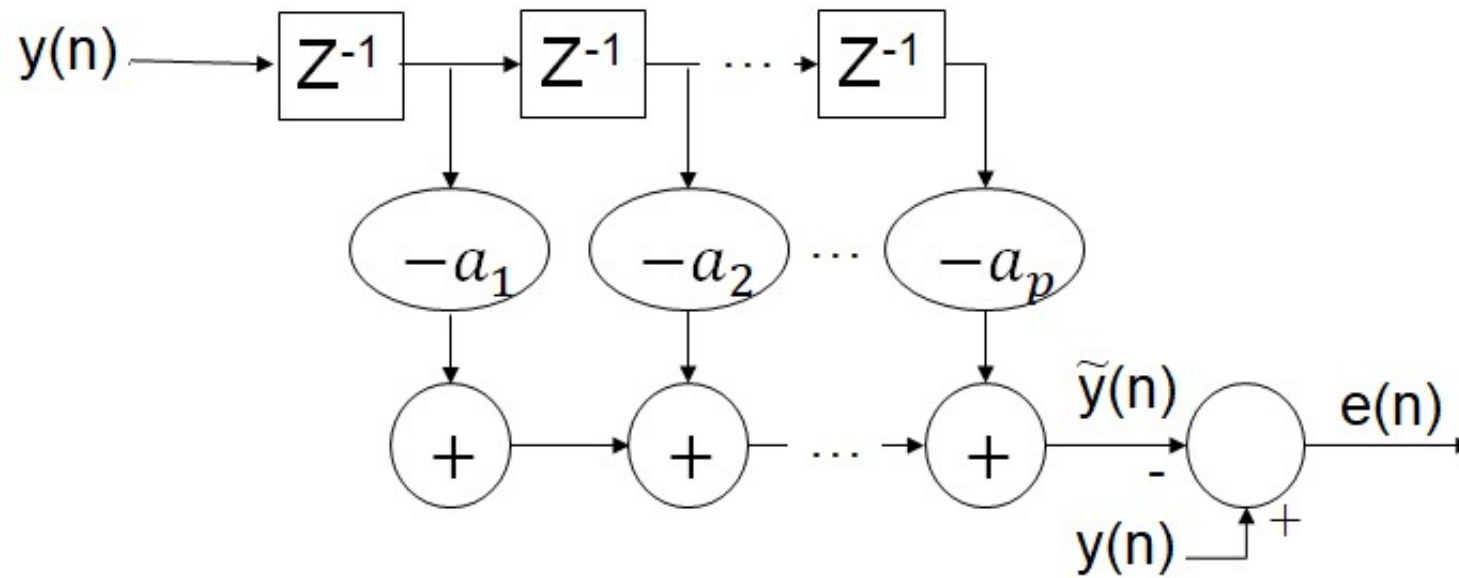
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AUTOCORRELATION MATRIX

Wiener filter leading to

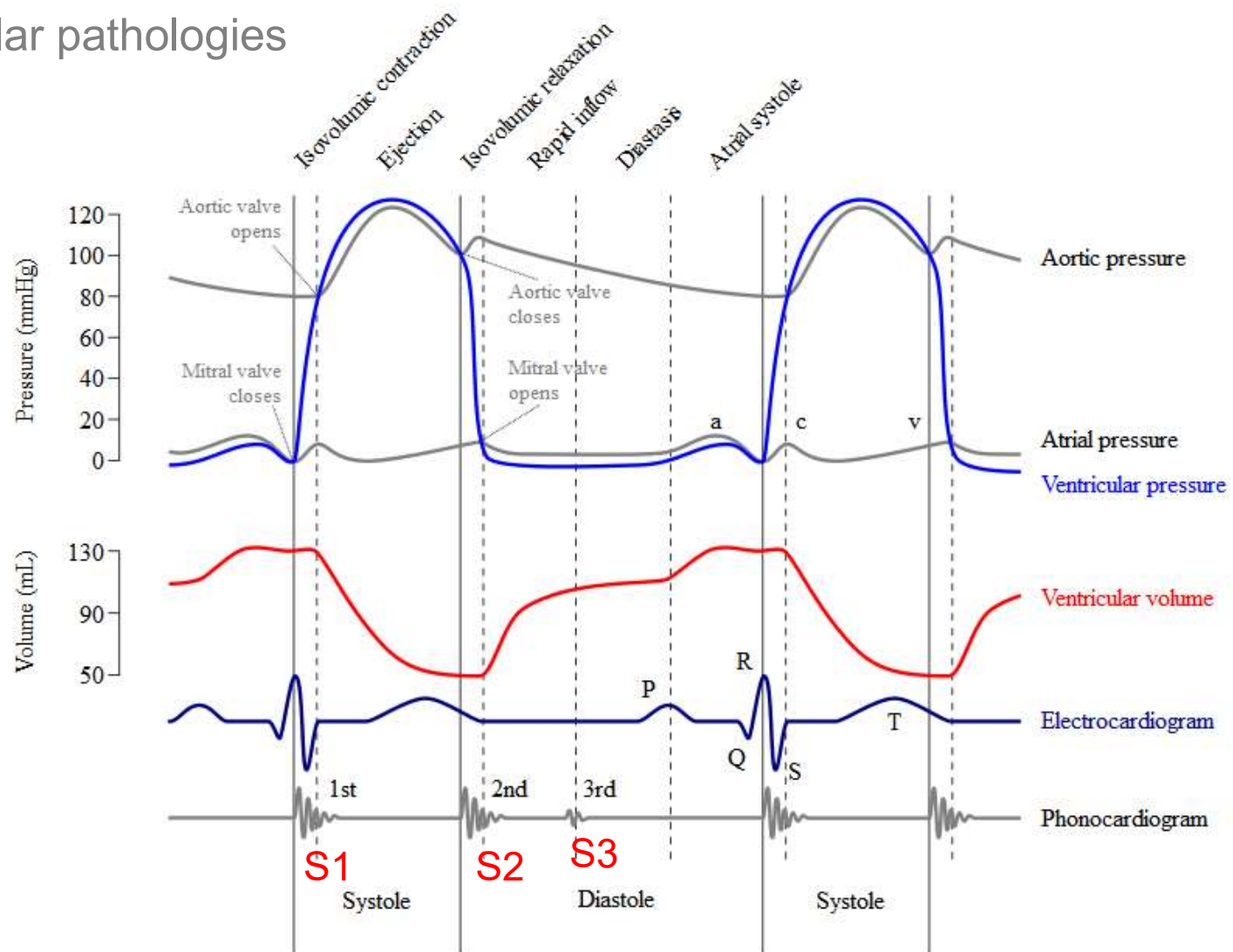
$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{YY}(0) & R_{YY}(1) & \dots & R_{YY}(P-1) \\ R_{YY}(1) & R_{YY}(0) & \dots & R_{YY}(P-2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ R_{YY}(P-1) & R_{YY}(P-2) & \dots & R_{YY}(0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_K \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{YY}(1) \\ R_{YY}(2) \\ \vdots \\ R_{YY}(P) \end{bmatrix}$$

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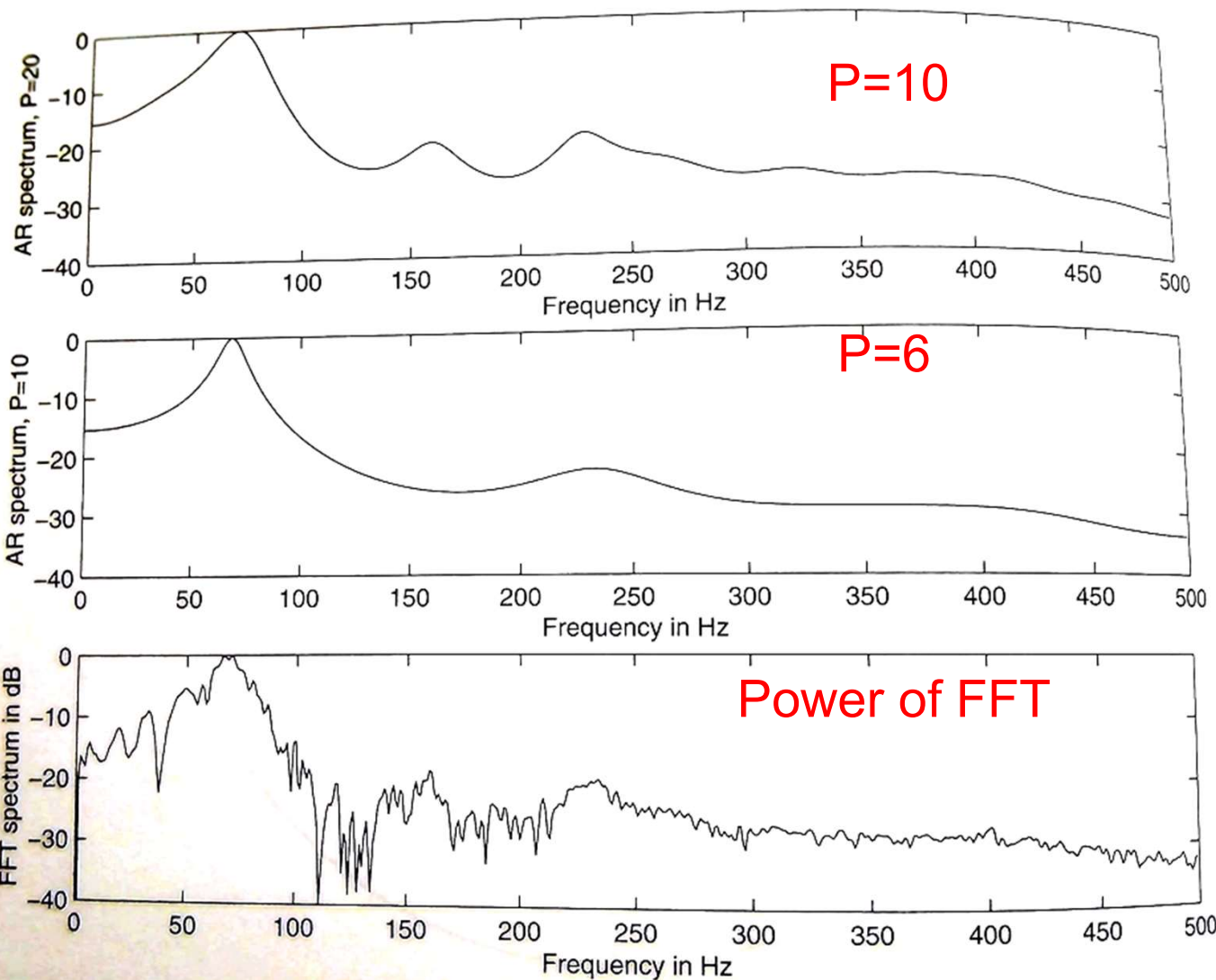
# Example: PCG signals

- The frequency analysis of a phonocardiogram signal yields interesting insight about cardiovascular pathologies



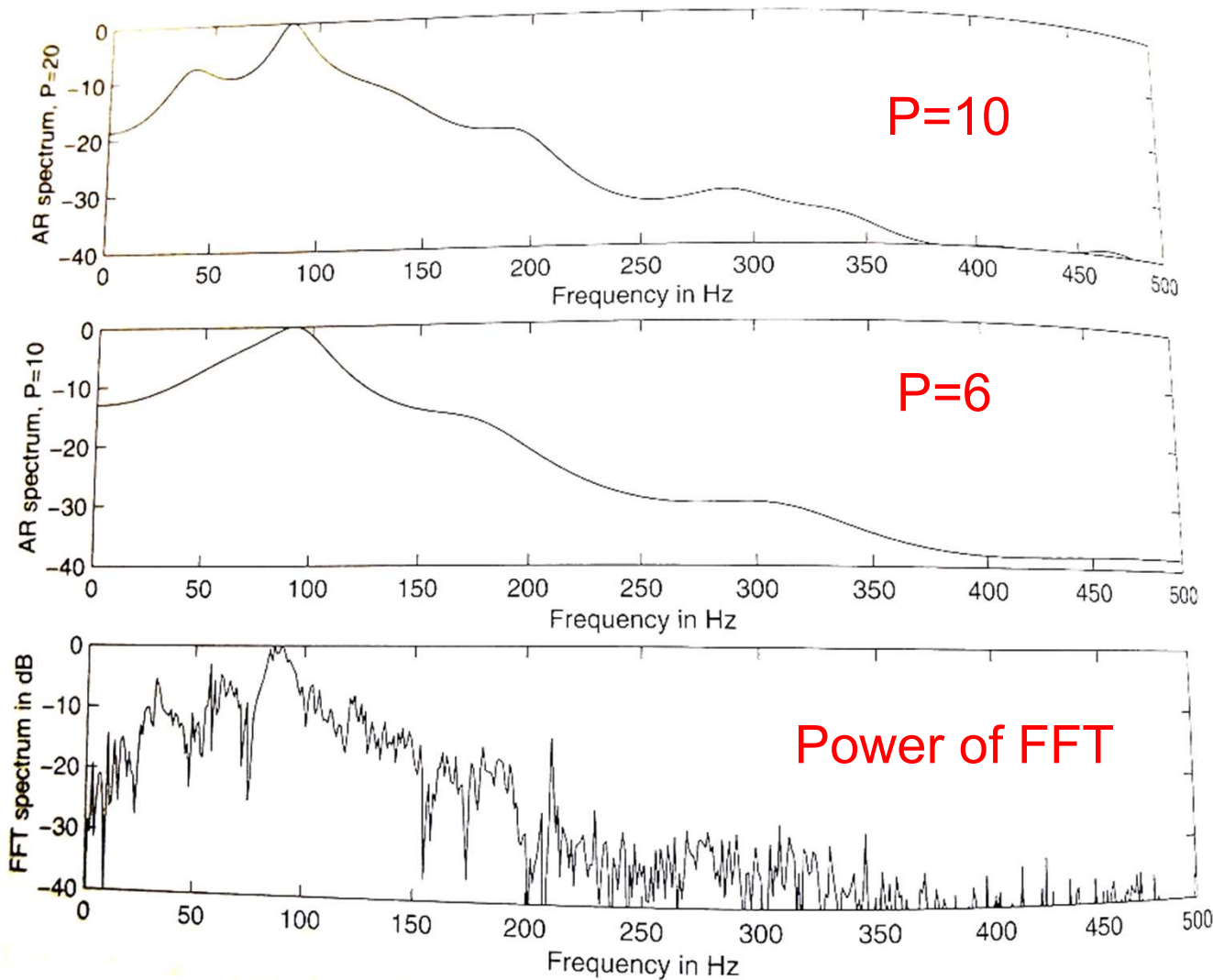


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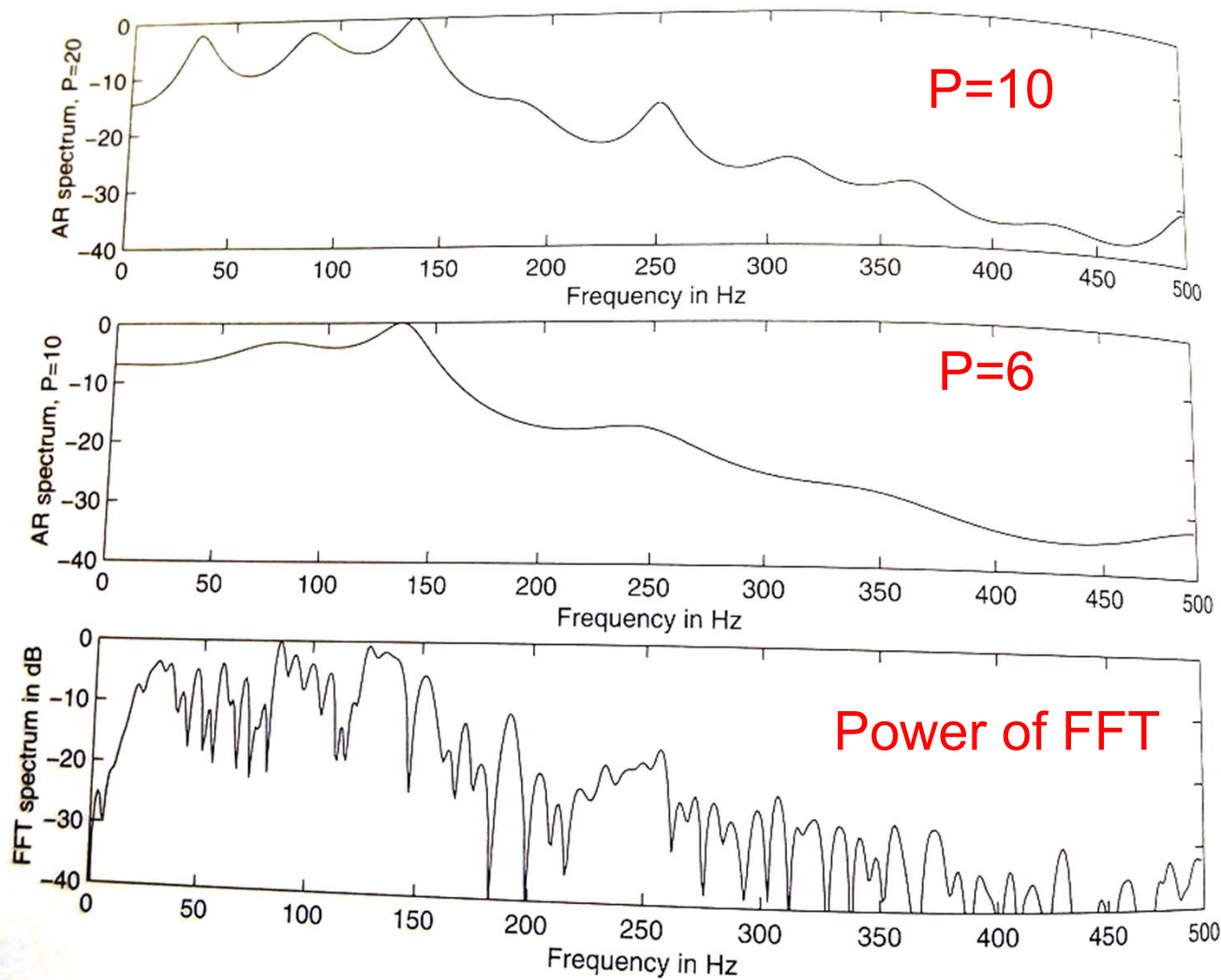
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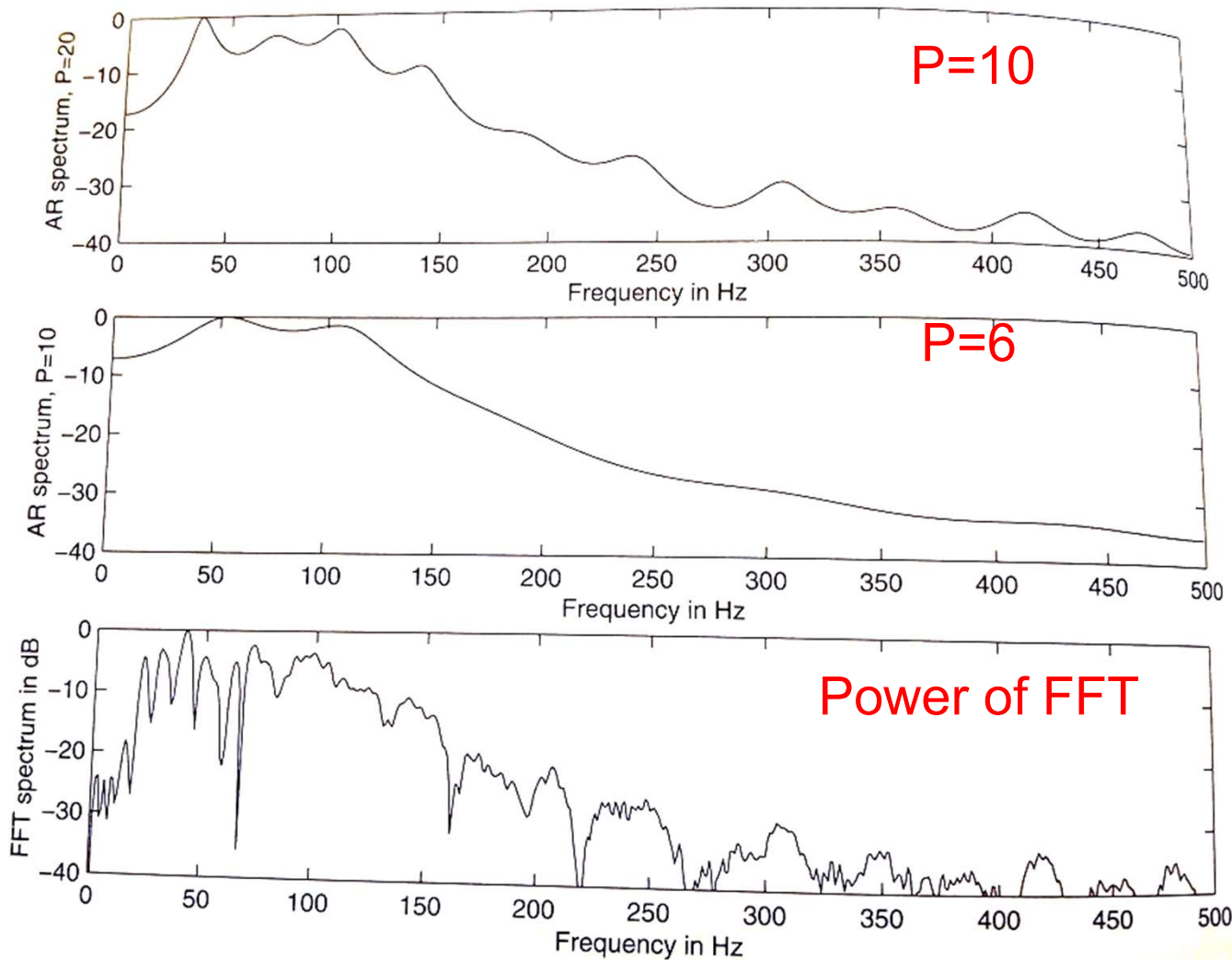
- Normal subject  
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# SUMMARY

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- Autoregressive filter
- PCG example