

# ME 233 – Advanced Control II

## Lecture 18

### Minimum Variance Regulator

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where

- ▶  $u(k)$  is the **scalar** control signal
- ▶  $y(k)$  is the **scalar** measurement signal
- ▶  $w(k)$  is the input noise  
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This type of model is called an ARMAX model because it is an ARMA model with an eXogenous input.

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where

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- The optimal control  $u_*(k)$  is given by

$$B^s(q^{-1})R(q^{-1})u_*(k) = -S(q^{-1})y(k)$$

where  $R(q^{-1})$  and  $S(q^{-1})$  are found by solving the Diophantine equation

$$C(q^{-1})\bar{B}^u(q^{-1}) = A(q^{-1})R(q^{-1}) + q^{-d}B^u(q^{-1})S(q^{-1})$$

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$$S(q^{-1}) = s_0 + s_1q^{-1} + \cdots + s_{n_s}q^{-n_s}$$

and  $n_r = m_u + d - 1$  and  $n_s = n - 1$



# Minimum Variance Regulator (MVR) Solution

- ▶ The optimal cost is

$$E\{y^2(k)\} = E\{\epsilon_f^2(k)\}$$

where  $\epsilon_f(k)$  is defined in terms of  $\epsilon(k)$  by the ARMA model

$$\bar{B}^u(q^{-1})\epsilon_f(k) = R(q^{-1})\epsilon(k)$$

# Constructing the MVR

1. Find  $\hat{L}$  using a stationary Kalman filter design
2. Construct  $C(q^{-1}) = q^{-n} \det[qI - (\hat{A} - \hat{L}\hat{C})]$
3. Factor  $B(q^{-1}) = B^s(q^{-1})B^u(q^{-1})$  as described previously (don't forget that  $\bar{B}^u(0) = 1$ )
4. Solve the Diophantine equation

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5. Form the optimal controller

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Comments on the notation in this proof:

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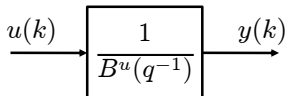
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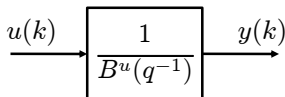
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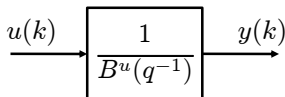


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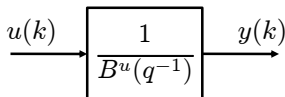
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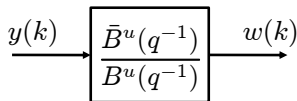
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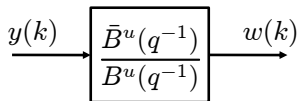


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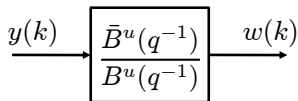
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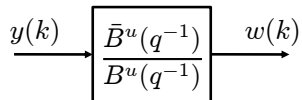
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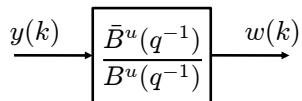


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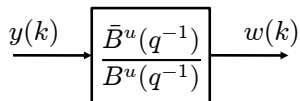
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