

ME 233 Advanced Control II

Lecture 20

Least Squares Parameter Estimation

Least Squares Estimation

Model

$$y(k) = \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i(k-1) \theta_i$$

Where

- $y(k)$ observed output
- $\phi_i(k)$ **known** and measurable function
- θ_i **unknown** but constant parameter

Least Squares Estimation

Model

$$y(k) = \phi^T(k-1) \theta$$

Where

$y(k)$ measured output

$$\phi(k) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(k) \\ \vdots \\ \phi_n(k) \end{bmatrix}}_{n \times 1 \text{ regressor}} \quad \theta = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_n \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{unknown vector}}$$

Batch Least Squares Estimation

Assume that we have collected k data sets:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y(1), \dots, y(k) \\ \phi(0), \dots, \phi(k-1) \end{array} \right\} \text{collected data}$$

We want to find the parameter estimate at instant k : $\hat{\theta}(k)$
that best fits **all collected** data in the **least squares** sense:

$$\min_{\hat{\theta}(k)} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^k \left[y(j) - \phi^T(j-1) \hat{\theta}(k) \right]^2 \right\}$$

kept constant in the summation

Batch Least Squares Estimation

Defining the cost functional

$$V(\hat{\theta}(k)) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^k [y(j) - \phi^T(j-1) \hat{\theta}(k)]^2$$

$\hat{\theta}(k)$ is obtained by solving

$$\frac{dV(\hat{\theta}(k))}{d\hat{\theta}(k)} = 0$$

Batch Least Squares Solution

The least squares parameter estimate $\hat{\theta}(k)$ which solves

$$\frac{dV(\hat{\theta}(k))}{d\hat{\theta}(k)} = 0$$

Satisfies the **normal equation**:

$$\underbrace{\left[\sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1) \phi^T(i-1) \right]}_{n \times n \text{ matrix}} \hat{\theta}(k) = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1) y(i)}_{n \times 1 \text{ vector}}$$

Normal Equation Derivation

$$\begin{aligned} V(\hat{\theta}(k)) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^k [y(j) - \phi^T(j-1) \hat{\theta}(k)]^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} y(1) - \phi^T(0) \hat{\theta}(k) \\ \vdots \\ y(k) - \phi^T(k-1) \hat{\theta}(k) \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\| \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y(1) \\ \vdots \\ y(k) \end{bmatrix}}_{Y(k)} - \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \phi^T(0) \\ \vdots \\ \phi^T(k-1) \end{bmatrix}}_{\Phi^T(k-1)} \hat{\theta}(k) \right\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Normal Equation Derivation

$$\begin{aligned} V(\hat{\theta}(k)) &= \frac{1}{2} \|Y(k) - \Phi^T(k-1) \hat{\theta}(k)\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [Y^T(k) Y(k) + \hat{\theta}^T(k) \Phi(k-1) \Phi^T(k-1) \hat{\theta}(k) \\ &\quad - 2 \hat{\theta}^T(k) \Phi(k-1) Y(k)] \end{aligned}$$

Taking the partial derivative with respect to $\hat{\theta}(k)$

$$\frac{\partial V(\hat{\theta}(k))}{\partial \hat{\theta}(k)} = \Phi(k-1) \Phi^T(k-1) \hat{\theta}(k) - \Phi(k-1) Y(k)$$

For optimality, we therefore need

$$\Phi(k-1) \Phi^T(k-1) \hat{\theta}(k) = \Phi(k-1) Y(k)$$

Normal Equation Derivation

$$\Phi(k-1) = [\phi(0) \ \cdots \ \phi(k-1)]$$

$$Y(k) = [y(1) \ \cdots \ y(k)]^T$$

For optimality, we need

$$\underbrace{\Phi(k-1)\Phi^T(k-1)}_{\sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)\phi^T(i-1)} \hat{\theta}(k) = \underbrace{\Phi(k-1)Y(k)}_{\sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)y(i)}$$

Therefore, we need

$$\left[\sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)\phi^T(i-1) \right] \hat{\theta}(k) = \sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)y(i)$$

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Batch Least Squares Estimation

The solution of the normal equation

$$\left[\sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)\phi^T(i-1) \right] \hat{\theta}(k) = \sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)y(i)$$

Is given by:

$$\hat{\theta}(k) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)\phi^T(i-1) \right]^{\#} \sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)y(i)$$

Pseudoinverse

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Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse

- Let A have the singular value decomposition

$$A = \begin{matrix} \text{orthogonal matrices} \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1 & U_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1^T \\ V_2^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r) \quad \sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r > 0$$

- Then the Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse of A is

$$A^{\#} = \begin{bmatrix} V_1 & V_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1^T \\ U_2^T \end{bmatrix}$$

In MATLAB: `pinv(A)`

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Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse

Let $A \in \mathcal{R}^{n \times m}$ and $A^{\#}$ be its Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse

Then $A^{\#}$ has the dimension of A^T and satisfies:

- $AA^{\#}A = A$
- $A^{\#}AA^{\#} = A^{\#}$
- $A^{\#}A$ and $AA^{\#}$ are Hermitian

In this case, since $A = \Phi\Phi^T$

$$\Phi = [\phi(0) \ \cdots \ \phi(k-1)]$$

$AA^{\#}\Phi = \Phi$

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Assume that we have collected sufficient data and the data has sufficient richness so that

$$\left[\sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)\phi^T(i-1) \right] = \phi(0)\phi^T(0) + \phi(1)\phi^T(1) + \dots + \phi(k-1)\phi^T(k-1)$$

has full rank.

Then,

$$\hat{\theta}(k) = \underbrace{\left[\sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)\phi^T(i-1) \right]^{-1}}_{F(k)} \sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)y(i)$$

Recursive Least Squares (RLS)

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Assume that we have collected $k-1$ sets of data and have computed $\hat{\theta}(k-1)$ using

$$\hat{\theta}(k-1) = \underbrace{\left[\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \phi(i-1)\phi^T(i-1) \right]^{-1}}_{F(k-1)} \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \phi(i-1)y(i)$$

Then, given a new set of data: $y(k) \quad \phi(k-1)$

We want to find $\hat{\theta}(k)$ in a recursive fashion:

$$\hat{\theta}(k) = \hat{\theta}(k-1) + [\text{correction term}]$$

Recursive Least Squares Algorithm

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Define the **a-priori** output estimate:

$$\hat{y}^o(k) = \phi^T(k-1)\hat{\theta}(k-1)$$

and the **a-priori** output estimation error:

$$e^o(k) = y(k) - \phi^T(k-1)\hat{\theta}(k-1)$$

The RLS algorithm is given by:

$$\hat{\theta}(k) = \hat{\theta}(k-1) + F(k)\phi(k-1)e^o(k)$$

where $F(k)$ has the recursive relationship on the next slide

Recursive Least Squares Gain

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The RLS gain $F(k)$ is defined by

$$F^{-1}(k) = \sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)\phi^T(i-1)$$

Therefore,

$$F^{-1}(k) = F^{-1}(k-1) + \phi(k-1)\phi^T(k-1)$$

Using the matrix inversion lemma, we obtain

$$F(k) = F(k-1) - \frac{F(k-1)\phi(k-1)\phi(k-1)^T F(k-1)}{1 + \phi(k-1)^T F(k-1)\phi(k-1)}$$

Recursive Least Squares Derivation

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Notice that

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\theta}(k) &= F(k) \sum_{i=1}^k \phi(i-1)y(i) \\ &= F(k) \left[\phi(k-1)y(k) + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \phi(i-1)y(i)}_{F^{-1}(k-1)\hat{\theta}(k-1)} \right] \\ F^{-1}(k-1) &= F^{-1}(k) - \phi(k-1)\phi^T(k-1)\end{aligned}$$

Recursive Least Squares Derivation

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Therefore plugging the previous two results,

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\theta}(k) &= F(k) \left[\left(F(k)^{-1} - \phi(k-1)\phi^T(k-1) \right) \hat{\theta}(k-1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \phi(k-1)y(k) \right] \\ \text{And rearranging terms, we obtain} \\ \hat{\theta}(k) &= \hat{\theta}(k-1) \\ &\quad + F(k)\phi(k-1) \underbrace{\left[y(k) - \phi^T(k-1)\hat{\theta}(k-1) \right]}_{e^o(k)}\end{aligned}$$

RLS Estimation Algorithm

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A-priori version:

$$\begin{aligned}e^o(k+1) &= y(k+1) - \phi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k) \\ \hat{\theta}(k+1) &= \hat{\theta}(k) + F(k+1)\phi(k)e^o(k+1) \\ F(k+1) &= F(k) - \frac{F(k)\phi(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)}{1 + \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)}\end{aligned}$$

Initial conditions:

$$F(0) = F^T(0) > 0 \quad \hat{\theta}(0)$$

RLS Estimation Algorithm

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A-posteriori version (used to prove that $e(k) \rightarrow 0$):

$$\begin{aligned}e^o(k+1) &= y(k+1) - \phi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k) \\ e(k+1) &= \frac{e^o(k+1)}{1 + \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)} \\ \hat{\theta}(k+1) &= \hat{\theta}(k) + F(k)\phi(k)e(k+1) \\ F(k+1) &= F(k) - \frac{F(k)\phi(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)}{1 + \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)}\end{aligned}$$

RLS with forgetting factor

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The inverse of the gain matrix in the RLS algorithm is given by:

$$F^{-1}(k) = F^{-1}(k-1) + \phi(k-1)\phi^T(k-1)$$

Its trace is given by:

$$\text{tr}[F^{-1}(k)] = \text{tr}[F^{-1}(k-1)] + \|\phi(k-1)\|^2$$

which always increases when $\|\phi(k-1)\| \neq 0$

RLS with forgetting factor

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Similarly, the trace of the gain matrix is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}[F(k)] &= \text{tr}[F(k-1)] \\ &\quad - \frac{\|F(k-1)\phi(k-1)\|^2}{1 + \phi^T(k-1)F(k-1)\phi(k-1)} \end{aligned}$$

always decreases when $\|F(k-1)\phi(k-1)\| \neq 0$

Problem: RLS eventually stops updating

RLS with forgetting factor

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We can modify cost function to “forget” old data

$$V(\hat{\theta}(k)) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^k \lambda^{(k-j)} [y(j) - \phi^T(j-1)\hat{\theta}(k)]^2$$

$$0 < \lambda \leq 1$$

Key idea: Discount old data, e.g. the term

$$\lambda^{(k-1)} [y(1) - \phi^T(0)\hat{\theta}(k)]^2$$

is small when k is large since $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \lambda^m = 0$

RLS with forgetting factor

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A-priori version:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} e^o(k+1) &= y(k+1) - \phi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k) \\ \hat{\theta}(k+1) &= \hat{\theta}(k) + F(k+1)\phi(k)e^o(k+1) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Same as RLS} \\ \text{without} \\ \text{forgetting} \\ \text{factor} \end{array}$$

$$F(k+1) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \left[F(k) - \frac{F(k)\phi(k)\phi(k)^T F(k)}{\lambda + \phi(k)^T F(k)\phi(k)} \right]$$

$$F^{-1}(k+1) = \lambda F^{-1}(k) + \phi(k)\phi^T(k)$$

RLS with forgetting factor

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A-posteriori version (used to prove that $e(k) \rightarrow 0$):

$$e^o(k+1) = y(k+1) - \phi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k)$$

$$e(k+1) = \frac{\lambda e^o(k+1)}{\lambda + \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)}$$

$$\hat{\theta}(k+1) = \hat{\theta}(k) + \frac{1}{\lambda} F(k)\phi(k)e(k+1)$$

$$F(k+1) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \left[F(k) - \frac{F(k)\phi(k)\phi(k)^T F(k)}{\lambda + \phi(k)^T F(k)\phi(k)} \right]$$

RLS with forgetting factor

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The gain of the RLS with FF may blow up

$$\text{tr}[F(k)] = \frac{1}{\lambda} \text{tr}[F(k-1)] - \frac{\|F(k-1)\phi(k-1)\|^2}{\lambda^2 + \lambda\phi^T(k-1)F(k-1)\phi(k-1)}$$

if $\phi(k)$ is not persistently exciting
(more on this later)

General PAA gain formula

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$$F^{-1}(k+1) = \lambda_1(k) F^{-1}(k) + \lambda_2(k) \phi(k)\phi^T(k)$$

$$0 < \lambda_1(k) \leq 1$$

$$0 \leq \lambda_2(k) < 2$$

- **Constant adaptation gain:** $\lambda_1(k) = 1, \lambda_2(k) = 0$
(We talked about this case in the previous lecture)
- **RLS:** $\lambda_1(k) = 1, \lambda_2(k) = 1$
- **RLS with forgetting factor:** $\lambda_1(k) < 1, \lambda_2(k) = 1$

General PAA gain formula

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$$F^{-1}(k+1) = \lambda_1(k) F^{-1}(k) + \lambda_2(k) \phi(k)\phi^T(k)$$

$$0 < \lambda_1(k) \leq 1$$

$$0 \leq \lambda_2(k) < 2$$

$$F(k+1) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} \left[F(k) - \lambda_2(k) \frac{F(k)\phi(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)}{\lambda_1(k) + \lambda_2(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)} \right]$$

$$F(0) = F^T(0) > 0$$

General PAA

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A-priori version:

$$e^o(k+1) = y(k+1) - \phi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k)$$

$$\hat{\theta}(k+1) = \hat{\theta}(k) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k) + \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)} F(k)\phi(k)e^o(k+1)$$

$$F(k+1) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} \left[F(k) - \lambda_2(k) \frac{F(k)\phi(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)}{\lambda_1(k) + \lambda_2(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)} \right]$$

When $\lambda_2(k) = 1$, the parameter estimate equation simplifies to

$$\hat{\theta}(k+1) = \hat{\theta}(k) + F(k+1)\phi(k)e^o(k+1)$$

General PAA

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A-posteriori version (used to prove that $e(k) \rightarrow 0$):

$$e^o(k+1) = y(k+1) - \phi^T(k)\hat{\theta}(k)$$

$$e(k+1) = \frac{\lambda_1(k)e^o(k+1)}{\lambda_1(k) + \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)}$$

$$\hat{\theta}(k+1) = \hat{\theta}(k) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} F(k)\phi(k)e(k+1)$$

$$F(k+1) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} \left[F(k) - \lambda_2(k) \frac{F(k)\phi(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)}{\lambda_1(k) + \lambda_2(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)} \right]$$

Additional Material (you are not responsible for this)

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- The Matrix Inversion Lemma
- Relationships for the General PAA

Matrix Inversion Lemma (simplified version)

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- Since $\det(I + RL) = \det(I + LR)$, we know that

$$I + RL \text{ is invertible}$$

$$\Updownarrow$$

$$I + LR \text{ is invertible}$$

- The matrix inversion lemma (simplified version) states that

$$(I + RL)^{-1} = I - R(I + LR)^{-1}L$$

Matrix Inversion Lemma (simplified version)

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$$(I + RL)^{-1} = I - R(I + LR)^{-1}L$$

Proof:

Define $\Phi = I - R(I + LR)^{-1}L$

We want to show that $(I + RL)\Phi = I$

$$(I + RL)\Phi = (I + RL) - \underbrace{(I + RL)R(I + LR)^{-1}L}_{R + RLR = R(I + LR)}$$

$$(I + RL)\Phi = I + RL - R(I + LR)(I + LR)^{-1}L \\ = I + RL - RL$$

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Matrix Inversion Lemma

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If A , C , and $(A + UCV)$ are invertible, then

$$(A + UCV)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}U(C^{-1} + VA^{-1}U)^{-1}VA^{-1}$$

Proof:

$$(A + UCV)^{-1} = [(I + UCV A^{-1})A]^{-1} \\ = A^{-1}(I + UCV A^{-1})^{-1} \\ = A^{-1}[I - UC(I + VA^{-1}UC)^{-1}VA^{-1}] \\ = A^{-1}[I - U[(I + VA^{-1}UC)C^{-1}]^{-1}VA^{-1}] \\ = A^{-1} - A^{-1}U(C^{-1} + VA^{-1}U)^{-1}VA^{-1}$$

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Relationships for General PAA

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$$F(k+1) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} \left[F(k) - \lambda_2(k) \frac{F(k)\phi(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)}{\lambda_1(k) + \lambda_2(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)} \right]$$

Proof: We know that

$$F^{-1}(k+1) = \lambda_1(k)F^{-1}(k) + [\lambda_2(k)\phi(k)]\phi^T(k)$$

By the Matrix Inversion Lemma

$$F(k+1) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)}F(k) \\ - \left[\frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)}F(k) \right] [\lambda_2(k)\phi(k)] \left[\frac{1}{1 + \phi^T(k) \left[\frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)}F(k) \right] [\lambda_2(k)\phi(k)]} \right] \phi^T(k) \left[\frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)}F(k) \right]$$

This simplifies to the stated expression for $F(k+1)$

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Relationships for General PAA

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$$F(k+1)\phi(k) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k) + \lambda_2(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)}F(k)\phi(k)$$

Proof:

$$F^{-1}(k+1) = \lambda_1(k)F^{-1}(k) + \lambda_2(k)\phi(k)\phi^T(k) \\ \Downarrow \\ F(k+1)[F^{-1}(k+1)]F(k)\phi(k) \\ = F(k+1)[\lambda_1(k)F^{-1}(k) + \lambda_2(k)\phi(k)\phi^T(k)]F(k)\phi(k) \\ \Downarrow \\ F(k)\phi(k) = \lambda_1(k)F(k+1)\phi(k) \\ + \lambda_2(k)F(k+1)\phi(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k) \\ = F(k+1)\phi(k)[\lambda_1(k) + \lambda_2(k)\phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)]$$

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Relationships for General PAA

$$e(k+1) = \frac{\lambda_1(k)}{\lambda_1(k) + \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)} e^o(k+1)$$

Proof:

$$\tilde{\theta}(k+1) = \tilde{\theta}(k) - \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} F(k)\phi(k)e(k+1)$$

$$\underbrace{\phi^T(k)\tilde{\theta}(k+1)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ e(k+1)}} = \phi^T(k) \left[\tilde{\theta}(k) - \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} F(k)\phi(k)e(k+1) \right]$$

$$= \underbrace{\phi^T(k)\tilde{\theta}(k)}_{e^o(k+1)} - \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)e(k+1)$$

Relationships for General PAA

$$e(k+1) = \frac{\lambda_1(k)}{\lambda_1(k) + \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)} e^o(k+1)$$

Proof (continued):

From the previous slide,

$$e(k+1) = e^o(k+1) - \frac{1}{\lambda_1(k)} \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)e(k+1)$$

\Downarrow

$$[\lambda_1(k) + \phi^T(k)F(k)\phi(k)] e(k+1) = \lambda_1(k) e^o(k+1)$$

