

Modelling and Networked Control of Water Distribution Networks

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- ▶ Critical societal infrastructure, responsible for the provision of water to both domestic and industrial consumers.
- ▶ Network pressure must be controlled.
 - ▶ Underpressure → insufficient service pressure → dissatisfied end users.
 - ▶ Overpressure → component failure → repair costs, supply intermittency, etc.
- ▶ Network pressure tied to level in Elevated Water Reservoir(s) (EWR) → level control is key!
- ▶ Other key components are pumps, valves, and pipes.

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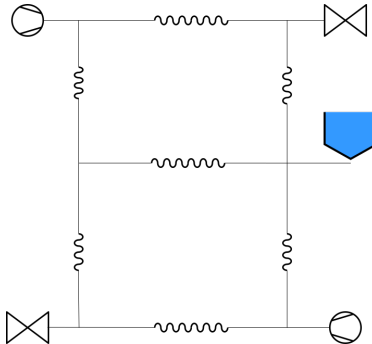
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We analyse a small-scale test WDN with the following layout:



Larger WDNs are typically not amenable to first-principles modelling.

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► Fundamentals

$$p \propto h$$

$$\dot{V} = q$$

► Assume constant cross sectional area A

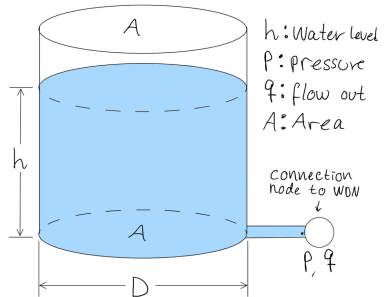
$$V \propto h \implies V \propto p$$

$$\dot{p} \propto \dot{V} \wedge \dot{V} = q \implies \dot{p} \propto q$$

► We arrive at

$$\dot{p} = -\tau q, \text{ where}$$

$$\tau = \rho g \frac{1}{A}$$



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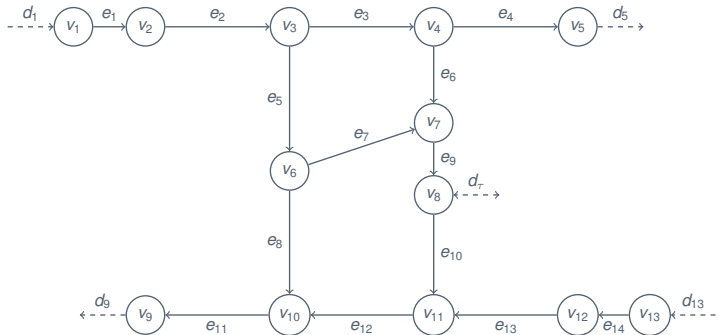
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In context of WDN we now consider flows to and from network as external demands d_i

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Mass conservation holds, and such

$$d_n = - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} d_i \implies d_\tau = -(d_p + d_c)$$

$$\dot{p} = -\tau d_\tau = \tau(d_p + d_c)$$

When discretised by forward Euler:

$$p_\tau(k+1) = p_\tau(k) - \tau d_\tau(k) t_s = p_\tau(k) + \tau(d_p(k) + d_c(k)) t_s$$

Which corresponds to a discrete, linear state-space model:

$$p_\tau(k+1) = A p_\tau(k) + B_p d_p(k) + B_c d_c(k) \quad (1)$$

$$d_p = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_{13} \end{bmatrix}, d_c = \begin{bmatrix} d_5 \\ d_9 \end{bmatrix}, B_p = B_c = t_s \begin{bmatrix} \tau & \tau \end{bmatrix}, A = 1$$

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Fast dynamics are non linear - linearisation is needed.
In near vicinity of linearisation point x_0 ,

$$\dot{x} \approx f(x_0) + \left. \nabla f \right|_{x_0} (x - x_0)$$

Recalling the fast dynamics differential equation is given as

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{q}_n = & -\mathcal{P}\Phi\left(\lambda(q_n) + \mu(q_n, \Theta) + \alpha(q_n, \omega)\right) + \\ & \mathcal{P}\left(\Psi(\bar{h} - \mathbf{1}h_0) + \mathcal{I}(p_\tau - \mathbf{1}p_0)\right) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

The linear model such becomes

$$\dot{q}_n \approx f(x_0) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_n} \right|_{x_0} \tilde{q}_n + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \Theta} \right|_{x_0} \tilde{\Theta} + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \omega} \right|_{x_0} \tilde{\omega} + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_\tau} \right|_{x_0} \tilde{p}_\tau \quad (3)$$

where $x_0 = \{q_0, \Theta_0, \omega_0, p_{\tau_0}\}$, $\tilde{q} = q - q_0$, likewise for $\tilde{\Theta}$, $\tilde{\omega}$, \tilde{p}_τ

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The full linearised model is then obtained as

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{q}_n \approx & f(x_0) - \mathcal{P}\Phi \left(a_1 \omega_0 + \left(|q_0| + \text{sign}(q_0) q_0 \right) \right. \\ & \left. \left(K_\lambda + a_2 + \frac{1}{(K_v \Theta_0)^2} \right) \tilde{q}_n \right) \\ & - \mathcal{P}\Phi \left(\left(-|q_0| q_0 \frac{2}{K_v^2 \Theta_0^3} \right) \tilde{\Theta} \right) \\ & - \mathcal{P}\Phi \left(\left(a_1 q_0 + 2a_0 \omega_0 \right) \tilde{\omega} \right) \\ & + \mathcal{P}\mathcal{I} \tilde{p}_\tau\end{aligned}\tag{4}$$

The equation can be simplified further making some assumptions

Equilibrium disappears, valve and tank dynamics assumed to be constant disturbances

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{q}_n \approx & -\mathcal{P}\Phi \left(a_1 \omega_0 + (|q_0| + \text{sign}(q_0)q_0) \right. \\ & \left. \left(K_\lambda + a_2 + \frac{1}{(K_v \Theta_0)^2} \right) \tilde{q}_n \right) \\ & -\mathcal{P}\Phi \left((a_1 q_0 + 2a_0 \omega_0) \tilde{\omega} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

General optimal control problem

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The basic structure of an optimal control problem is sketched in the language of calculus of variations.

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u, t) \quad (6)$$

$$x(t_0) = x_0, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in U \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad (7)$$

where $t \in \mathbb{R}$ is the time and x, u are functions of t , with U the set of admissible controls.

Cost functional:

$$J = \mathcal{M}(x(T)) + \int_0^T \mathcal{L}(x(t), u(t)) dt \quad (8)$$

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Infinite-Horizon Linear-Quadratic Regulator

The LQR timeinvariant case with no terminal cost.
System Dynamics:

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t) \quad (9)$$

Cost functional:

$$J = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} (x^T(t)Qx(t) + u^T(t)Ru(t))dt \quad (10)$$

State feedback control law:

$$u^*(t) = -R^{-1}B^T Px^*(t) \quad (11)$$

P is time-invariant and fullfills the *algebraic Riccati equation*:

$$PA + A^T P + Q - PBR^{-1}B^T P = 0 \quad (12)$$

Tracking LQR and Integral Action

Tracking LQR

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Let $\hat{x} = x - x_r$ and $\hat{u} = u - u_r$. Shifted coordinate system cost functional framed as an output tracking problem:

$$J = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} ((C\hat{x})^T Q_y (C\hat{x}) + \hat{u}^T R \hat{u}) dt = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} (\hat{y}^T Q_y \hat{y} + \hat{u}^T R \hat{u}) dt \quad (13)$$

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States are extended with integral state x_i

$$u = -\bar{K}\bar{x} \quad (14)$$

$$\dot{\bar{x}} = \bar{A}\bar{x} + \bar{B}u + B_r r \quad (15)$$

$$y = \bar{C}\bar{x} \quad (16)$$

$$\bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ -C & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, B_r = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{C} = [C \quad 0] \quad (17)$$

$$\bar{K} = -[K \quad -K_i] \quad (18)$$

K_i can be an awkward weight to choose.

Velocity-Form LQR

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Deviation variables:

$$\Delta x_k = x_k - x_{k-1}, \Delta y_k = y_k - r_k, \Delta u_k = u_k - u_{k-1} \quad (19)$$

Extended vectors and matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\zeta}_k &= \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_k \\ \Delta y_k \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{u}_k = \Delta u_k, \\ \tilde{A} &= \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ CA & I \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{B} = \begin{bmatrix} B \\ CB \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{C} = [0 \quad I] \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Cost functional:

$$J = \sum_{k_0}^{\infty} (\tilde{\zeta}^T Q \tilde{\zeta} + \tilde{u}^T R \tilde{u}) \quad (21)$$

Origin regulation! If $\tilde{\zeta} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \Delta y \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow y \rightarrow r$.

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If linearising around equilibrium point x_e and corresponding operating point u_{op}

$$\Delta \tilde{x} = x - x_e, \quad \Delta \tilde{u} = u - u_{op} \quad (22)$$

VF-LQR will penalize deviations from the point $\{x_e, u_{op}, r\}$!

Incremental feedback law:

$$\Delta u^*(k) = -\Delta K(k) \Delta x(k) \quad (23)$$

Control input applied at time k is:

$$u^*(k) = \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta u^*(i) \quad (24)$$

with

$$\tilde{K} = (\tilde{B}^T P \tilde{B} - R)^{-1} (\tilde{B}^T P \tilde{A}) \quad (25)$$

Exogenous input disturbance- accommodating LQR

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Standard LQR does not accommodate exogenous inputs (such as the the model of the consumer demand flows) but can be modified to do so:

$$u(k) = \sum_{i=1}^k \Delta u^*(i) - B^\dagger \mathcal{B} \delta(i) \quad (26)$$

where B^\dagger is the Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse of B and \mathcal{B} is the disturbance input matrix.

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Objectives with the use of Kalman filter

- ▶ VF-LQR controller needs an estimate of the consumer demand.
- ▶ The optimal estimator is the **Kalman Filter**.
- ▶ Recursively finds optimal Kalman gain.
- ▶ Kalman filter is also very interesting when from a leakage detection POV.

Water consumption data

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- Data of consumption pattern over a 35 day period obtained by CSK.

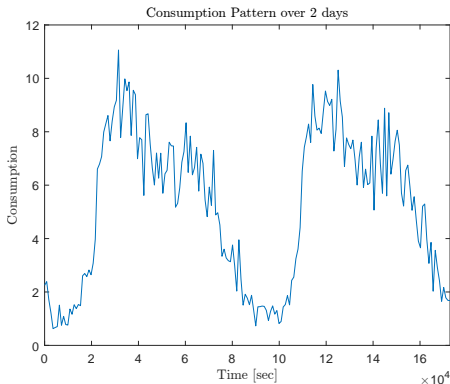


Figure: Consumption pattern over two days

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FFT of consumption pattern

► Frequency analysis of the data.

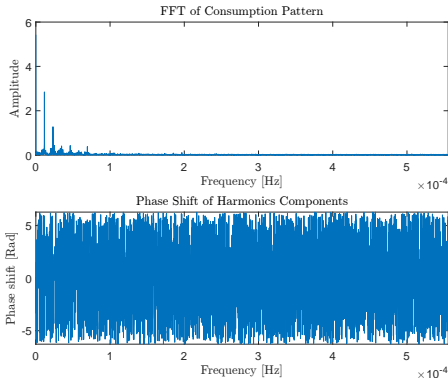


Figure: Consumption pattern over two days

- Highest frequency contents at periods: DC, 24.05h, 12.03h, 8.02h and 5.99h.

Approximation of consumption

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- Fourth order Fourier approximation of consumer demand:

$$d_c(t) \approx k_0 + k_1 \cos(\omega_1 t + \phi_1) + k_2 \cos(\omega_2 t + \phi_2) + k_3 \cos(3\omega_3 t + \phi_3) + k_4 \cos(4\omega_4 t + \phi_4) \quad (27)$$

- We wish to model 27 as a state space model:

$$\dot{x} = Ax$$

$$y = Cx$$

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State space representation

- Need to represent the evolution of the "states" in the approximation as a linear combination of states.
- This can not be achieved using the current states.

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\omega_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\omega_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \omega_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} k_0 \\ k_1 \cos(\omega_1 t) \\ k_1 \sin(\omega_1 t) \\ k_2 \cos(\omega_2 t) \\ k_2 \sin(\omega_2 t) \end{bmatrix} \quad (28)$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} k_0 \\ k_1 \cos(\omega_1 t) \\ k_1 \sin(\omega_1 t) \\ k_2 \cos(\omega_2 t) \\ k_2 \sin(\omega_2 t) \end{bmatrix} \quad (29)$$

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Model vs. data

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- The model compared to the real data - shown over 2 days.

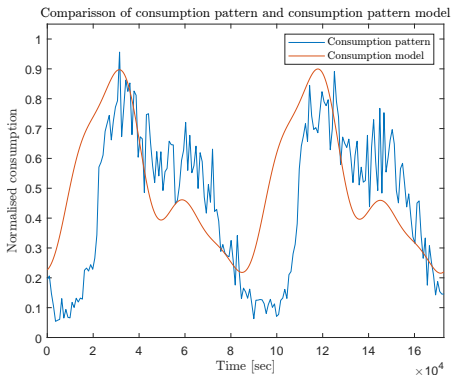


Figure: Comparison of raw historical data, and model

- The model follows the visual trend in real data.

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Considerations when designing the KF.

- Stiffness of the filter



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