

Problem formulation and efficient numerical methods of real-time estimation based on DAE process models

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Output and state noise MHE

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_{\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{z}_j, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}_j} \quad & \left(\left\| \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{x}_L - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_L \\ \mathbf{p}_L - \bar{\mathbf{p}}_L \end{array} \right\|_{P_L}^2 + \sum_{j=L}^k \|\mathbf{y}_j - \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}(\tau_j), \mathbf{p})\|_{V_j}^2 + \sum_{j=L}^{k-1} \|\mathbf{w}_j\|_W^2 \right) \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{x}_{j+1} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{z}_j, \mathbf{u}_j, \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{w}_j, & j = L, \dots, k-1, \\
 & \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{z}_j, \mathbf{u}_j, \mathbf{p}), & j = L, \dots, k, \\
 & \mathbf{x}_{j,\min} \leq \mathbf{x}_j \leq \mathbf{x}_{j,\max}, & j = L, \dots, k, \\
 & \mathbf{z}_{j,\min} \leq \mathbf{z}_j \leq \mathbf{z}_{j,\max}, & j = L, \dots, k, \\
 & \mathbf{w}_{j,\min} \leq \mathbf{w}_j \leq \mathbf{w}_{j,\max}, & j = L, \dots, k, \\
 & \mathbf{p}_{\min} \leq \mathbf{p} \leq \mathbf{p}_{\max}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{MHE}$$

Optimal arrival cost

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{L+1}^* = \min_{\mathbf{x}_L, \mathbf{p}_L} \quad & \left(\left\| \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{x}_L - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_L \\ \mathbf{p}_L - \bar{\mathbf{p}}_L \end{array} \right\|_{P_L}^2 + \|\mathbf{y}_L - \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}(\tau_L), \mathbf{p}_L)\|_{V_L}^2 + \left\| \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{w}_L \\ \mathbf{w}_L^p \end{array} \right\|_{\bar{W}_L}^2 \right) \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{w}_L = \mathbf{x}_{L+1} - \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_L, \mathbf{u}_L, \mathbf{p}_L), \\
 & \mathbf{w}_L^p = \mathbf{p}_{L+1} - \mathbf{p}_L.
 \end{aligned} \tag{ACP}$$

QR decomposition

$$M_{\text{QR}} = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} P_L & 0 \\ -(V_L H_X \mid V_L H_p) & 0 \\ -\bar{W}_L \begin{pmatrix} X_X & X_p \\ 0 & \mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} & \bar{W}_L \end{array} \right) = Q \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{R}_1 & \mathcal{R}_{12} \\ 0 & \mathcal{R}_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 \\ \rho_3 \end{pmatrix} := Q^T \begin{pmatrix} -P_L \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_L \\ \bar{\mathbf{p}}_L \end{pmatrix} \\ V_L(\mathbf{y}_L - \tilde{\mathbf{h}}) \\ \bar{W}_L \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}. \tag{2}$$

$$P_{L+1} := \mathcal{R}_2, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{L+1} \\ \bar{\mathbf{p}}_{L+1} \end{pmatrix} = -\mathcal{R}_2^{-1} \rho_2. \tag{3}$$

Quadratic subproblem

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_{\Delta \mathbf{r}_k^i} \quad & \|J(\mathbf{r}_k^i; \mathbf{D}_k) + \nabla_{\mathbf{r}} J(\mathbf{r}_k^i; \mathbf{D}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{r}_k^i\|_2^2 \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{r}_k^i; \mathbf{D}_k) + \nabla_{\mathbf{r}} \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{r}_k^i; \mathbf{D}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{r}_k^i, \\
 & \mathbf{0} \leq \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{r}_k; \mathbf{D}_k) + \nabla_{\mathbf{r}} \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{r}_k; \mathbf{D}_k)^T \Delta \mathbf{r}_k^i
 \end{aligned} \tag{QP}$$

Algorithm 1: MHE real-time iteration

Input: multiple shooting data vector:

$$\mathbf{r}_{k-1} = (\mathbf{x}_{L-1}, \mathbf{z}_{L-1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{k-1}, \mathbf{z}_{k-1}, \mathbf{w}_{L-1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{k-2}, \mathbf{p})$$

online data set from previous intervals:

$$\mathbf{D}_{k-1} = (\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{L-1}, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_{L-1}, P_{L-1}, \mathbf{y}_{L-1}, V_{L-1}, \mathbf{u}_{L-1}, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{k-1}, V_{k-1}, \mathbf{u}_{k-1},)$$

online data which becomes known during the iteration:

$$\mathbf{y}_k, V_k, \mathbf{u}_k$$

Output: current estimates $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k, \hat{\mathbf{z}}_k, \hat{\mathbf{p}}_k,$

updated \mathbf{r}_k and updated $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_L, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_k$ for \mathbf{D}_k

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1 At initial sample  $k = 0$  provide initial guess  $\mathbf{w}_0, \mathbf{D}_0$ 
2 for samples  $k = 1, 2, \dots$  do
    Preparation phase for horizon  $[\tau_L, \tau_k]$  before  $\tau_k$  :
3     Update arrival cost data  $(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_L, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_L)$  and  $P_L$  with eq. (3)
4     Shift data vectors:
         $\mathbf{r}_k^- = (\mathbf{x}_L, \mathbf{z}_L, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k^-, \mathbf{z}_k^-, \mathbf{w}_L, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{k-1}^-, \mathbf{p})$ 
         $\mathbf{D}_k = (\bar{\mathbf{x}}_L, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_L, P_L, \mathbf{y}_L, V_L, \mathbf{u}_L, \dots, *, V_k, \mathbf{u}_k)$ 
        where  $*$  is a wildcard for the not yet known output  $\mathbf{y}_k$ 
5     Solve DAE system on interval  $[\tau_{k-1}, \tau_k]$  and set
         $\mathbf{x}_k^- := \mathbf{x}(\tau_k; \mathbf{x}_{k-1}, \mathbf{z}_{k-1})$ 
         $\mathbf{w}_{k-1}^- = 0$ 
         $\mathbf{z}_k^- := \mathbf{z}(\tau_k; \mathbf{x}_{k-1}, \mathbf{z}_{k-1})$ 
6     Compute all but one vector component of problem [QP]
        except for  $V_k(\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{z}_k, \mathbf{p}))$ 
7     Compute all matrix components of problem [QP]
    end of preparation phase
    Estimation phase for horizon  $[\tau_{L+1}, \tau_k]$  at  $\tau_k$  :
8     Complete vector  $\mathbf{D}_k$  as  $\mathbf{y}_k$  becomes known
9     Solve [QP] for  $\Delta \mathbf{r}_k$ 
10    Update:
         $\mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{r}_k^- + \Delta \mathbf{r}_k$ 
         $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k = \mathbf{x}_k$ 
         $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_k = \mathbf{z}_k$ 
         $\hat{\mathbf{p}}_k = \mathbf{p}$ 
    end of estimation phase
end
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List of Symbols

Symbol	Description	Element of/size
C_L	Arrival cost of time window $[\tau_L, \tau_k]$; the superscripts "*" and "'" denote variants	\mathbb{R}
D_k $\Delta \mathbf{r}_k^i$	Online data in the MHE at time τ_k i -th increment for \mathbf{r}_k in the Gauß-Newton method for the MHE	No actual mathematical dimension see \mathbf{r}_k
F	Iteration function for \mathbf{x}_j usually obtained from numerical integration	$\mathbb{R}^{n_x} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_z} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_u} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_p} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$
f	Function in the DAE system	$\mathbb{R}^{n_x} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_z} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_u} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_p} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$
G	Collected equality constraints in terms of \mathbf{r}_k and D_k in the MHE	$(M-1)n_x + Mn_z$ equations
g	Function in the DAE system	$\mathbb{R}^{n_x} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_z} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_u} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_p} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_z}$
H	Collected inequality constraints in terms of \mathbf{r}_k and D_k in the MHE	$2M(2n_x + n_z) + 2n_p$ inequalities
h	Ideal measurement function (collecting all devices in one vector)	$\mathbb{R}^{n_x} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_z} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_p} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_h}$
H_p	Sensitivity matrix of the ideal measurement function with states at time τ_{L+1} with respect to the parameters \mathbf{p}	$\mathbb{R}^{n_h \times n_p}$
H_x	Sensitivity matrix of the ideal measurement function with states at time τ_{L+1} with respect to the initial values $\mathbf{x}(\tau_L)$	$\mathbb{R}^{n_h \times n_x}$
J	General cost function for the optimal control problem	$\mathbb{R}^{n_x} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_z} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_u} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_p} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
k	Index of last measurement in time window of MHE	\mathbb{R}
L	$:= k - M + 1$; Index of first measurement in time window of MHE	\mathbb{R}
M	Number of measurements in time window of MHE	\mathbb{R}
M_{QR}	Matrix which is decomposed with a QR-decomposition. See equation (1)	$\mathbb{R}^{(2n_x+2n_p+n_h) \times (2n_x+2n_p)}$
\mathbf{p}	System parameters	\mathbb{R}^{n_p}
P_L	Weighting matrix for the arrival cost C_L	$\mathbb{R}^{(n_x+n_p) \times (n_x+n_p)}$
$\bar{\mathbf{p}}_L$	Parameter for the arrival cost C_L	\mathbb{R}^{n_p}
$\hat{\mathbf{p}}$	Estimation of the parameters	\mathbb{R}^{n_p}
Q	Orthogonal matrix of QR-decomposition of M_{QR}	$\mathbb{R}^{(2n_x+2n_p+n_h) \times (2n_x+2n_p+n_h)}$
\mathbf{q}	Optimization variables for the discretised controls in the multiple shooting method	\mathbb{R}^{n_u}
$\mathcal{R}_1, \mathcal{R}_{12}, \mathcal{R}_2$	Matrices occuring in the QR-decomposition of M_{QR} (see equation (1))	$\mathbb{R}^{(n_x+n_p) \times (n_x+n_p)}$
ρ_1, ρ_2, ρ_3	Needed in the computation of the arrival cost; see equation (2) for definition	$\mathbb{R}^{(n_x+n_p)}$ for ρ_1, ρ_2 , \mathbb{R}^{n_h} for ρ_3
\mathbf{r}_k	Collected optimization variables in the MHE at time τ_k	$\mathbb{R}^{(M) \times (n_x+n_z) + (M-1) \times n_x + n_p}$
\mathbf{r}_k^i	i -th iterate for \mathbf{r}_k in the Gauß-Newton method for the MHE	see \mathbf{r}_k
$\mathbf{s}^x, \mathbf{s}^z$	Initial states at the shooting nodes in the multiple shooting method	$\mathbb{R}^{n_x}, \mathbb{R}^{n_z}$
T	End time (in the offline case)	\mathbb{R}
t	Time	\mathbb{R}

Symbol	Description	Element of/size
t_0	Starting time (in the offline case)	\mathbb{R}
t_M	Length of time window of MHE	\mathbb{R}
τ_j	j -th sampling time/shooting node of the multiple shooting method	\mathbb{R}
\mathbf{u}	Controls	\mathbb{R}^{n_u}
V	Weighting matrix of the measurement noise. Usually square root of the inverse of the covariance matrix of \mathbf{v}	$\mathbb{R}^{n_h \times n_h}$
\mathbf{v}	Measurement noise	\mathbb{R}^{n_h}
\mathbf{w}	State noise	\mathbb{R}^{n_x}
\mathbf{w}^p	Parameter noise	\mathbb{R}^{n_p}
W	Weighting matrix of the state noise. Usually square root of the inverse of the covariance matrix of the state noise \mathbf{w}	$\mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x}$
\bar{W}	Weighting matrix of the combined state and parameter noise. Usually square root of the inverse of the combined covariance matrix of \mathbf{w} and \mathbf{w}^p	$\mathbb{R}^{(n_x+n_p) \times (n_x+n_p)}$
\mathbf{x}	Differential states	\mathbb{R}^{n_x}
\mathbf{x}_0	Initial values for differential states	\mathbb{R}^{n_x}
X_p	Sensitivity matrix of the states at time τ_{L+1} with respect to the parameters \mathbf{p}	$\mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_p}$
X_x	Sensitivity matrix of the states at time τ_{L+1} with respect to the initial values $\mathbf{x}(\tau_L)$	$\mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x}$
\bar{x}_L	Parameter for the arrival cost C_L	\mathbb{R}^{n_x}
$\hat{\mathbf{x}}$	Estimation of the differential states	\mathbb{R}^{n_x}
ξ	Collected optimization variables in the multiple shooting method	bla
\mathbf{y}_j	Output of measurement devices	\mathbb{R}^{n_h}
\mathbf{z}	Algebraic states	\mathbb{R}^{n_z}
$\hat{\mathbf{z}}$	Estimation of the algebraic states	\mathbb{R}^{n_z}

Note: A subscript either indicates the interval index for which the variable holds or that the variables was taken at time τ_j unless specified otherwise.

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