

**ECE565: Estimation Detection and Filtering (Fall 2011) - Dr. Raviv Raich**  
**Homework assignment 2 (due Oct. 25, 2011)**

1. **(Constrained LS)** Consider the nonlinear input-output transfer function given by:

$$y = \sum_{k=0}^4 a_k x^k. \quad (1)$$

You are asked to estimate the  $a_k$ 's using LS from a set of points  $(x(n), y(n))$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . Assume that curve is defined over the interval  $x \in [0, 1]$ . You are also given that the curve contains the points  $(x, y) = (0, 1)$  and  $(x, y) = (1, 0)$  and that its slope at these points is zero.

- (a) Determine  $\theta$  and  $H$  (for simplicity assume five points are measured).
- (b) Determine  $A$  and  $b$  in the linear form of the constraints.
- (c) Derive the constrained LS estimator for  $\theta$ .
- (d) Evaluate your estimator of  $\theta$  and plot the corresponding polynomial using the following Matlab code:

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%%% Generate five (x,y) measurements
c=0;
x=(0.3:0.1:0.7)';
y=1+(c-3)*x.^2+2*(1-c)*x.^3+c*x.^4+0.05*randn(5,1);

%%% Estimate the polynomial coefficients
H=[ones(5,1),x,x.^2,x.^3,x.^4];
a_ls=inv(H'*H)*(H'*y); %%% LS
a_cls=?

%%% uncomment one for plotting
%a_est=a_ls;
%a_est=a_cls;

%%% Plotting true polynomial, noisy measurements, and estimated polynomial
xt=(0.01:0.01:1)';
Ht=[ones(size(xt)),xt,xt.^2,xt.^3,xt.^4];
yt=Ht*[1 0 (c-3) (2-2*c) c]';
ye=Ht*a_est;
plot(x,y,'x',xt,yt,xt,ye)
axis([0 1 -0.5 1.5])
legend('Noisy measurements','True polynomial','Estimated polynomial')
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Fill-in the code for evaluating the constrained LS estimator and present the results. Compare to the results obtained by the unconstrained LS estimator (provided in the code).

2. **(NLLS)** You are asked to calculate the speed of a wheel based on a marker positioned  $R$  meters away from the center of the wheel. The radius of the wheel is also  $R$  and hence the velocity of the wheel is given by  $v = \omega R$ . The marker coordinates are given by

$$x(t) = R \cos(\omega t) \quad (2)$$

$$y(t) = R \sin(\omega t) \quad (3)$$

and are sampled at  $t = \frac{T}{N}, \frac{2T}{N}, \dots, T$ .

- (a) Using NLLS find an explicit cost function that would allow to find  $\hat{v}_{LS}$  for this problem.
  - (b) How does this cost relate to the Fourier transform? (Hint: let  $z(t) = x(t) + jy(t)$  and recall Euler formula for  $e^{j\omega t}$ .)
  - (c) Suppose that  $\omega T \ll 1$ . Linearize the model, and derive the LS estimator for the linearized model.
3. **(RLS)** Recursive least squares (RLS) is a recursive implementation of the LS estimator that is well-suited for the on-line adaptive case. Here you are asked to derive the RLS algorithm in a guided fashion. As in the LS

problem we minimize  $\|\mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{H}_n \theta\|^2$  with respect to  $\theta$  and the LS estimator is given by  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n = (\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n)^{-1} \mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{y}_n$ , where

$$\mathbf{y}_n = \begin{bmatrix} y(1) \\ y(2) \\ \vdots \\ y(n) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{H}_n = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1^T \\ \mathbf{h}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{h}_n^T \end{bmatrix}. \quad (4)$$

The goal is to express  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{n+1} = (\mathbf{H}_{n+1}^T \mathbf{H}_{n+1})^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{n+1}^T \mathbf{y}_{n+1}$  based on the previous time estimate  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n$  and the new vector  $\mathbf{h}_{n+1}$  and the new sample  $y(n+1)$ .

(a) Show that

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{n+1} = (\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n + \mathbf{h}_{n+1} \mathbf{h}_{n+1}^T)^{-1} (\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{y}_n + \mathbf{h}_{n+1} y(n+1)) \quad (5)$$

(b) Use the matrix inversion Lemma to show that

$$(\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n + \mathbf{h}_{n+1} \mathbf{h}_{n+1}^T)^{-1} = (\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n)^{-1} - \frac{(\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n)^{-1} \mathbf{h}_{n+1} \mathbf{h}_{n+1}^T (\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n)^{-1}}{1 + \mathbf{h}_{n+1}^T (\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n)^{-1} \mathbf{h}_{n+1}} \quad (6)$$

(c) Use this result in (5) to show that

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{n+1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n + \frac{(\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n)^{-1} \mathbf{h}_{n+1}}{1 + \mathbf{h}_{n+1}^T (\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n)^{-1} \mathbf{h}_{n+1}} (y(n+1) - \mathbf{h}_{n+1}^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n) \quad (7)$$

(d) Let  $\mathbf{P}_n = (\mathbf{H}_n^T \mathbf{H}_n)^{-1}$ . Finally, show that the recursion is given by

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{n+1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n + \mathbf{k}_n e(n) \quad (8)$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{n+1} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{k}_n \mathbf{h}_{n+1}^T) \mathbf{P}_n, \quad (9)$$

where

$$\mathbf{k}_n = \frac{\mathbf{P}_n \mathbf{h}_{n+1}}{1 + \mathbf{h}_{n+1}^T \mathbf{P}_n \mathbf{h}_{n+1}} \quad (10)$$

$$e(n) = y(n+1) - \mathbf{h}_{n+1}^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n. \quad (11)$$

If you were able to show (d), you have just derived the recursive formulation of LS. The advantage here is that at every time step the computational complexity is  $O(m^2)$  due to the matrix update of  $\mathbf{P}_n$ . The total complexity of computing all the estimates  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_1, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_2, \dots, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n$  is therefore of the order  $O(m^2 n)$ , which is the same as the computational complexity of the LS estimator for only  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n$ .