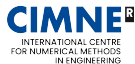


# Low-Rank Approximation: Theory, Algorithms, and Applications

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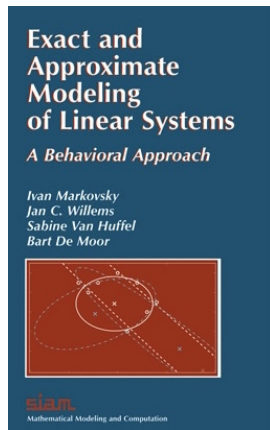
# My background is mathematical engineering

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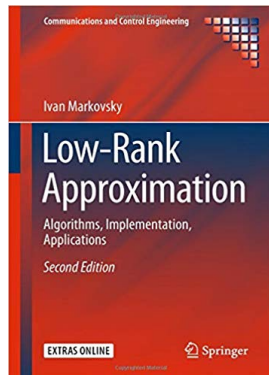


My core research interest is low-rank approx.

control theory

system identification

data-driven signal processing



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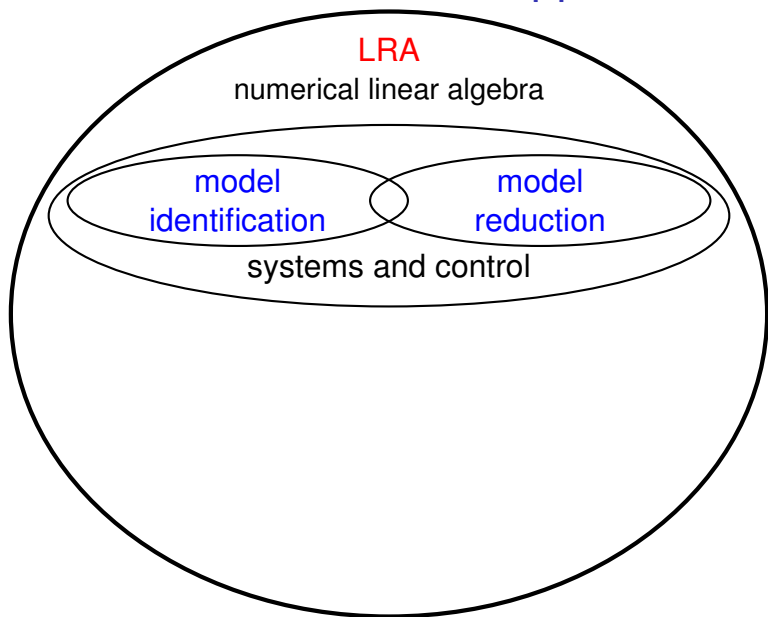
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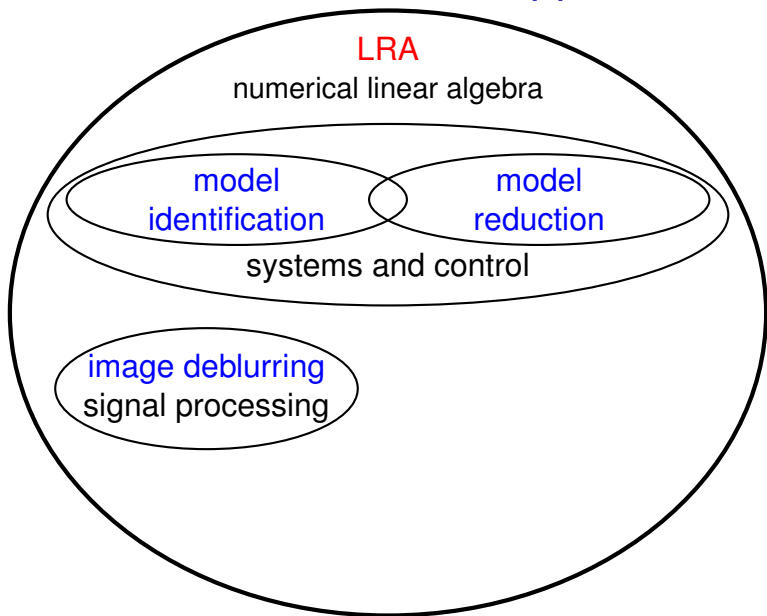
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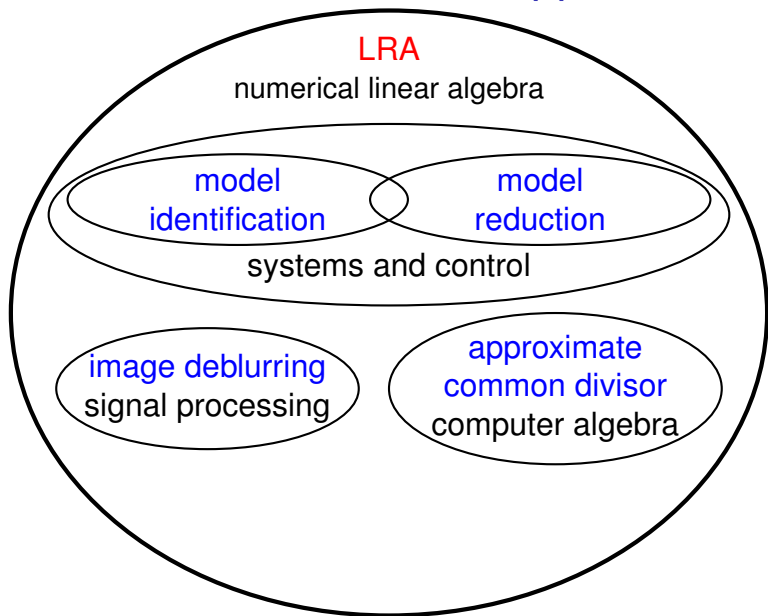




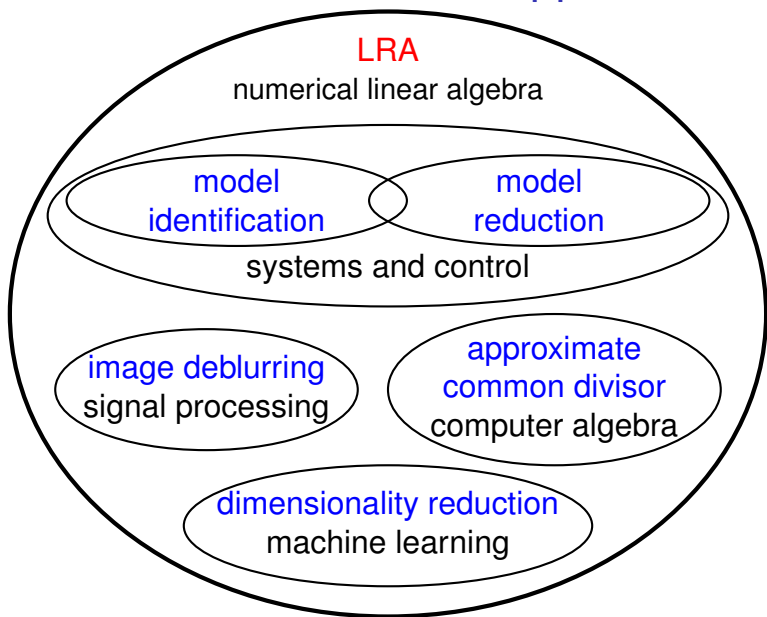
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Different applications lead to additional constraints, besides the rank constraint

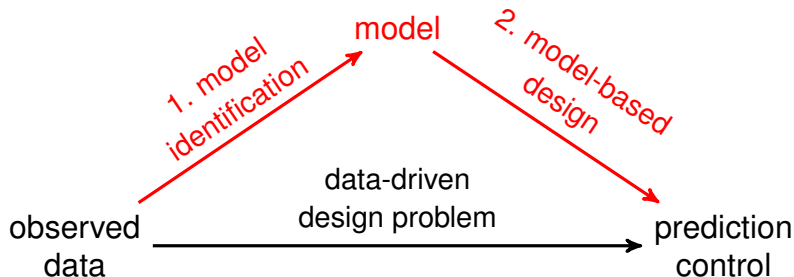
non-negativity of data and approximation

Sylvester structure  $\leftrightarrow$  approximate GCD

Hankel structure  $\leftrightarrow$  LTI dynamical systems

# More recently, my interest is direct data-driven filtering and control

**objective:** bypass model identification



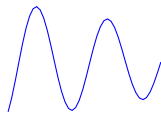
**approach:** structured low-rank matrix  
approximation and completion

# Academic example: time-series forecasting

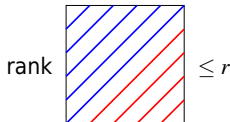
→ Hankel low-rank matrix completion

given:  $y(1), \dots, y(t)$   
"past" data

find:  $y(t+1), \dots, y(2t)$   
"future" samples



given data



matrix completion problem



prediction

# Why Hankel structured low-rank matrix?

$y$  is sum of  $n$  damped-exponentials



$$\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} y(1) & y(2) & \cdots & y(T-n) \\ y(2) & y(3) & \cdots & y(T-n+1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ y(n+1) & y(n+2) & \cdots & y(T) \end{bmatrix} \leq n$$

Hankel structured matrix  $\mathcal{H}_{n+1}(y)$

Sum-of-damped-exponentials signals are solutions of linear constant coefficient ODE

$$y = \alpha_1 \exp_{z_1} + \cdots + \alpha_n \exp_{z_n} \quad \exp_z(t) := z^t$$



$$p_0 y + p_1 \sigma y + \cdots + p_n \sigma^n y = 0 \quad (\sigma y)(t) := y(t+1)$$



$$y = Cx, \sigma x = Ax \quad x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ — state}$$



The solution set of linear constant coefficient ODE is linear time-invariant (LTI) system

$n$ -th order autonomous LTI system

$$\mathcal{B} := \{ y = Cx \mid \dot{x} = Ax, x(0) \in \mathbb{R}^n \}$$

$\dim \mathcal{B} = n$  — complexity of  $\mathcal{B}$

$\mathcal{L}_n$  — LTI systems with order  $\leq n$

# Model identification is equivalent to Hankel structured low-rank approximation

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{minimize} & \text{over } \hat{\mathbf{y}} \text{ and } \hat{\mathcal{B}} \quad \|\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}\| \\ \text{subject to} & \hat{\mathbf{y}} \in \hat{\mathcal{B}} \in \mathcal{L}_n\end{array}$$



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# Three main solution approaches

local optimization

convex relaxations

subspace methods

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# Dynamic low-rank approximation

## problem formulation

- ▶ given  $A(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , for  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,
- ▶ find  $\min_X \|A(t) - X(t)\|$ , for *all*  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$

## comment

- ▶ without extra knowledge the problem decouples
- ▶ extra knowledge: model defining the evolution of  $A$

## example

- ▶  $\frac{d}{dt}A(t) = F(A(t))$ ,  $A(0) = A_{\text{ini}}$
- ▶ with given  $F : \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

# Ideas for collaboration

discrete-time DLRA

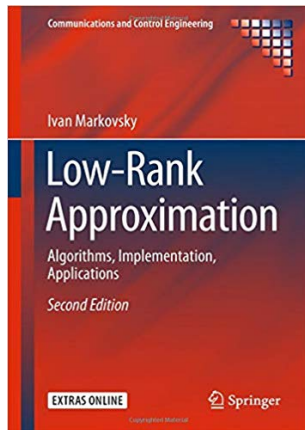
more general model (open system)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}S(t) &= F(S(t)) + G(U(t)), & S(0) &= S_{\text{ini}} \\ A(t) &= C(S(t)) + D(U(t))\end{aligned}$$

- ▶  $U$  — input or disturbance
- ▶  $S$  — state (unobserved)

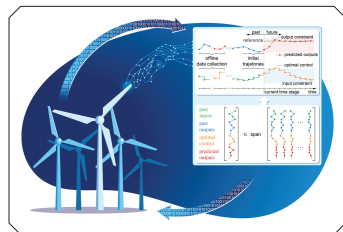
unknown model ( $F$ ,  $G$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$  not given)

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## Data-Driven Control Based on the Behavioral Approach

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# We view systems as sets of signals

$w \in (\mathbb{R}^q)^{\mathbb{N}}$  —  $q$ -variate discrete-time signal

$\mathcal{B} \subset (\mathbb{R}^q)^{\mathbb{N}}$  —  $q$ -variate dynamical model

- ▶ linear —  $\mathcal{B}$  is a linear subspace of  $(\mathbb{R}^q)^{\mathbb{N}}$
- ▶ time-invariant — invariant under shifts:  $(\sigma w)(t) := w(t+1)$

$w \in \mathcal{B}$  means “ $w$  is a trajectory of  $\mathcal{B}$ ”

# In practice, we deal with finite signals

restriction of  $w / \mathcal{B}$  to finite horizon  $[1, T]$

$$w|_T := (w(1), \dots, w(T)), \quad \mathcal{B}|_T := \{w|_T \mid w \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

for  $w_d = (w_d(1), \dots, w_d(T_d))$  and  $1 \leq T \leq T_d$

$$\mathcal{H}_T(w_d) := \begin{bmatrix} (\sigma^0 w_d)|_T & (\sigma^1 w_d)|_T & \cdots & (\sigma^{T_d-T} w_d)|_T \end{bmatrix}$$

$w_d \in \mathcal{B}|_{T_d}$  — “exact data”

The set of linear time-invariant systems  $\mathcal{L}$  has structure characterized by integers

$m$  — number of inputs

$n$  — order (= minimal state dimension)

$\ell$  — lag (= observability index)

$\mathcal{L}_{(m,\ell,n)}$  — bounded complexity LTI systems

# Nonparametric representation of LTI system's finite-horizon behavior

assumptions:

- ▶  $w_d \in \mathcal{B}|_{T_d}$  — exact offline data
- ▶  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}_{(m,\ell,n)}$  — bounded complexity LTI system
- ▶ informative data, for  $T \geq \ell(\mathcal{B})$

$$\text{rank } \mathcal{H}_T(w_d) = mT + n \quad (\text{GPE})$$

then, the data-driven representation holds

$$\text{image } \mathcal{H}_T(w_d) = \mathcal{B}|_T \quad (\text{DDR})$$

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## tracking control

- ▶ given data: to-be-tracked trajectory
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# Generalizations

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## nonlinear systems

results for special classes of nonlinear systems:

Volterra, Wiener-Hammerstein, bilinear, ...



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# Kernel representation

## LTI systems

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{B} &= \ker R(\sigma) := \{ w \mid R(\sigma)w = 0 \} \\ &= \{ w \mid R_0 w + R_1 \sigma w + \cdots + R_\ell \sigma^\ell w = 0 \}\end{aligned}$$

## nonlinear time-invariant system

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ w \mid R(\underbrace{w, \sigma w, \dots, \sigma^\ell w}_x) = 0 \right\}$$

## linearly parameterized $R$

$$R(x) = \sum \theta_i \phi_i(x) = \theta^\top \phi(x), \quad \begin{array}{ll} \phi & \text{— model structure} \\ \theta & \text{— parameter vector} \end{array}$$

# Polynomial SISO NARX system

$$\mathcal{B}(\theta) = \left\{ w = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mid y = f(u, \sigma w, \dots, \sigma^\ell w) \right\}$$

split  $f$  into 1st order (linear) and other (nonlinear) terms

$$f(x) = \theta_{\text{li}}^\top x + \theta_{\text{nl}}^\top \phi_{\text{nl}}(x)$$

$\phi_{\text{nl}}$  — vector of monomials

# Special cases

## Hammerstein

$$\phi_{\text{nl}}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_u(u) & \phi_u(\sigma u) & \cdots & \phi_u(\sigma^\ell u) \end{bmatrix}^\top$$

## FIR Volterra

$$\phi_{\text{nl}}(x) = \phi_{\text{nl}}(x_u), \quad \text{where } x_u := \text{vec}(u, \sigma u, \dots, \sigma^\ell u).$$

## bilinear

$$\phi_{\text{nl}}(x) = x_u \otimes x_y, \quad \text{where } x_y := \text{vec}(y, \sigma y, \dots, \sigma^{\ell-1} y)$$

## generalized bilinear

$$\phi_{\text{nl}}(x) = \phi_{u,\text{nl}}(x_u) \otimes x_y$$

# LTI embedding of polynomial NARX system

$$\mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}(\theta) := \left\{ \mathbf{w}_{\text{ext}} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ u_{\text{nl}} \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mid \sigma^\ell y = \theta_{\text{li}}^\top \mathbf{x} + \theta_{\text{nl}}^\top u_{\text{nl}} \right\}$$

define:  $\Pi_w \mathbf{w}_{\text{ext}} := w$  and  $\Pi_{u_{\text{nl}}} \mathbf{w}_{\text{ext}} := u_{\text{nl}}$

fact:  $\mathcal{B}(\theta) \subseteq \Pi_w \mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}(\theta)$ , moreover

$$\mathcal{B}(\theta) = \Pi_w \left\{ \mathbf{w}_{\text{ext}} \in \mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}(\theta) \mid \Pi_{u_{\text{nl}}} \mathbf{w}_{\text{ext}} = \phi_{\text{nl}}(x) \right\}$$

# FIR Volterra data-driven simulation

given

data  $w_d = (u_d, y_d)$  of lag- $\ell$  FIR Volterra system  $\mathcal{B}$

$\phi_{nl}$  — system's model structure

assume ID conditions for  $\mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}$  hold

then,  $\mathcal{B}|_L = \text{image } M$ , where

$$M(w_{\text{ini}}, u) := \mathcal{H}_L(\sigma^\ell y_d) \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{H}_\ell(w_d) \\ \mathcal{H}_L(\sigma^\ell u_d) \\ \mathcal{H}_\ell(\phi_{nl}(x_{u_d})) \\ \mathcal{H}_L(\sigma^\ell \phi_{nl}(x_{u_d})) \end{bmatrix}}_g \begin{bmatrix} w_{\text{ini}} \\ u \\ \phi_{nl}(x_{u_{\text{ini}}}) \\ \phi_{nl}(x_u) \end{bmatrix}^\dagger$$

## proof

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{H}_\ell(w_d) \\ \mathcal{H}_L(\sigma^\ell u_d) \\ \hline \mathcal{H}_\ell(\phi_{nl}(x_{u_d})) \\ \mathcal{H}_L(\sigma^\ell \phi_{nl}(x_{u_d})) \\ \hline \mathcal{H}_L(\sigma^\ell y_d) \end{array} \right] g = \left[ \begin{array}{c} w_{ini} \\ u \\ \hline \phi_{nl}(x_{u_{ini}}) \\ \phi_{nl}(x_u) \\ \hline y \end{array} \right] \left. \begin{array}{l} \} \text{B1} \\ \\ \} \text{B2} \\ \\ \} \text{B3} \end{array} \right\}$$

**B1** constraint on  $g$ , such that  $w_{ini} \wedge (u, \mathcal{H}_L(\sigma^\ell y_d)g) \in \mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}$

**B2** constraint  $u_{nl} = \phi_{nl}(x) \iff \mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}} = \mathcal{B}(\theta)$

**B3** defines the to-be-computed output  $y$

## generalized bilinear models

also tractable because B2:  $u_{nl} = \phi_{nl}(x)$  is still linear in  $y$



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1st order equation

$$\dot{x} = Ax, \quad w = Cx, \quad x(0) = x_{\text{ini}}$$

- ▶ state  $x := (w_1, \dot{w}_1, w_2, \dot{w}_2, -9.81)$
- ▶ initial state  $x_{\text{ini}} := (w_{\text{ini},1}, v_{\text{ini},1}, w_{\text{ini},2}, v_{\text{ini},2}, -9.81)$
- ▶  $A, C$  — model parameters (depend on  $m$  and  $\gamma$ )

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*According to Newton's law of cooling, an object of higher temperature than its environment cools at a rate that is proportional to the difference in temperature.*

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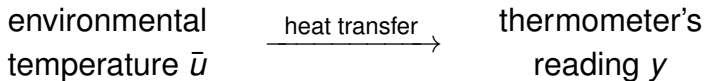
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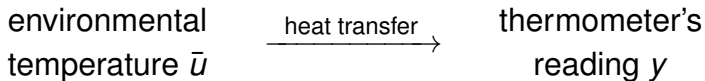
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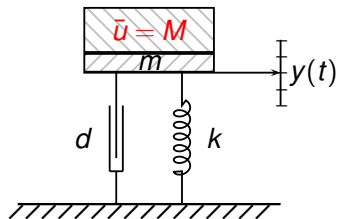


measurement process: Newton's law of cooling

$$y = a(\bar{u} - y)$$

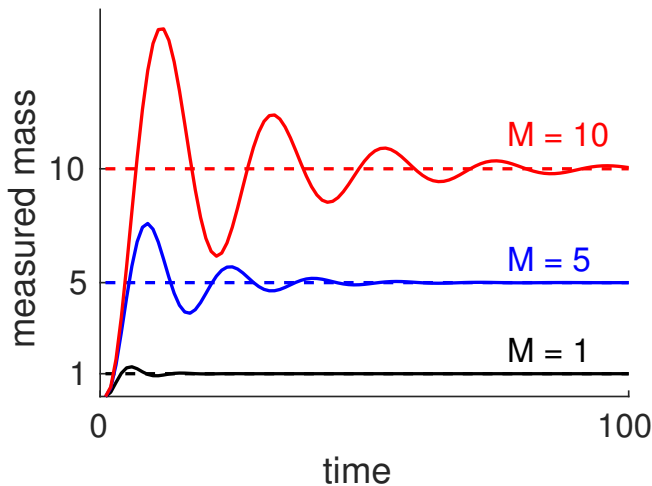
heat transfer coefficient  $a > 0$

## Scale: second order dynamical system

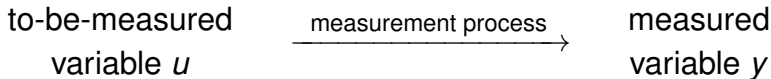


$$(M + m) \frac{d}{dt} y + dy + ky = g\bar{u}$$

The measurement process dynamics depends on the to-be-measured mass



# Dynamic measurement: take into account the dynamical properties of the sensor



**assumption 1:** measured variable is constant  $u(t) = \bar{u}$

**assumption 2:** the sensor is stable LTI system

**assumption 3:** sensor's DC-gain = 1 (calibrated sensor)

The data is generated from LTI system  
with output noise and constant input

$$\underbrace{y_d}_{\text{measured data}} = \underbrace{y}_{\text{true value}} + \underbrace{e}_{\text{measurement noise}}$$
$$\underbrace{y}_{\text{true value}} = \underbrace{\bar{u}}_{\text{steady-state value}} + \underbrace{y_0}_{\text{transient response}}$$

assumption 4:  $e$  is a zero mean, white, Gaussian noise

using a state space representation of the sensor

$$\begin{aligned}x(t+1) &= Ax(t), & x(0) &= x_0 \\ y_0(t) &= cx(t)\end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_d(1) \\ y_d(2) \\ \vdots \\ y_d(T) \end{bmatrix}}_{y_d} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{1}_T} \bar{u} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c \\ cA \\ \vdots \\ cA^{T-1} \end{bmatrix}}_{\theta_T} x_0 + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e(1) \\ e(2) \\ \vdots \\ e(T) \end{bmatrix}}_e$$

# Maximum-likelihood model-based estimator

solve approximately

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1}_T & \mathcal{O}_T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{u} \\ \hat{x}_0 \end{bmatrix} \approx y_d$$

standard least-squares problem

minimize over  $\hat{y}, \hat{u}, \hat{x}_0$   $\|y_d - \hat{y}\|$

subject to  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1}_T & \mathcal{O}_T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{u} \\ \hat{x}_0 \end{bmatrix} = \hat{y}$

recursive implementation  $\rightsquigarrow$  Kalman filter

# Subspace model-free method

goal: avoid using the model parameters  $(A, C, \mathcal{O}_T)$

in the noise-free case, due to the LTI assumption,

$$\Delta y(t) := y(t) - y(t-1) = y_0(t) - y_0(t-1)$$

satisfies the same dynamics as  $y_0$ , *i.e.*,

$$\begin{aligned}x(t+1) &= Ax(t), & x(0) &= \Delta x \\ \Delta y(t) &= cx(t)\end{aligned}$$



# Hankel matrix—construction of multiple “short” trajectories from one “long” trajectory

$$\mathcal{H}(\Delta y) := \begin{bmatrix} \Delta y(1) & \Delta y(2) & \cdots & \Delta y(n) \\ \Delta y(2) & \Delta y(3) & \cdots & \Delta y(n+1) \\ \Delta y(3) & \Delta y(4) & \cdots & \Delta y(n+2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \Delta y(T-n) & \Delta y(T-n) & \cdots & \Delta y(T-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

fact: if  $\text{rank } \mathcal{H}(\Delta y) = n$ , then

$$\text{image } \mathcal{O}_{T-n} = \text{image } \mathcal{H}(\Delta y)$$

model-based equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1}_T & \mathcal{O}_T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \hat{x}_0 \end{bmatrix} = y$$

data-driven equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1}_{T-n} & \mathcal{H}(\Delta y) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \ell \end{bmatrix} = y|_{T-n} \quad (*)$$

subspace method

solve (\*) by (recursive) least squares

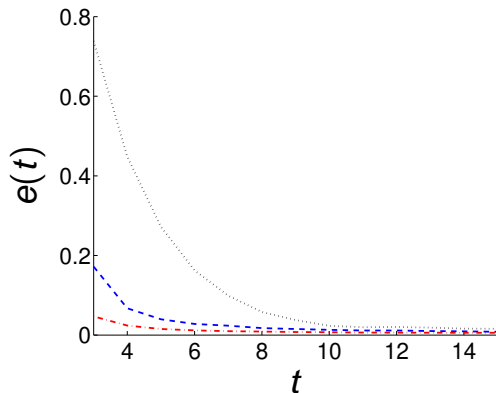
# Empirical validation

dashed	—	true parameter value $\bar{u}$
solid	—	true output trajectory $y_0$
dotted	—	naive estimate $\hat{u} = G^+ y$
dashed	—	model-based Kalman filter
bashed-dotted	—	data-driven method

estimation error:  $e := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|\bar{u} - \hat{u}^{(i)}\|$

(for  $N = 100$  Monte-Carlo repetitions)

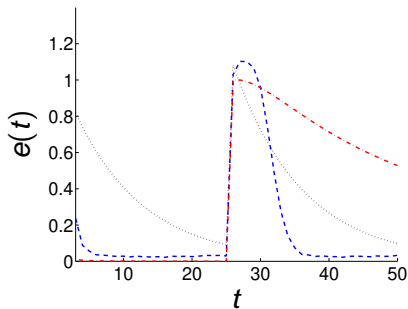
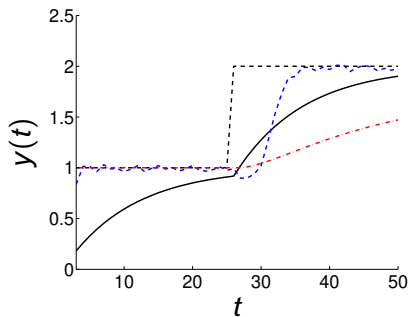
# Simulated data of dynamic cooling process



$e(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  at different rates

best is the Kalman filter (maximum likelihood estimator)

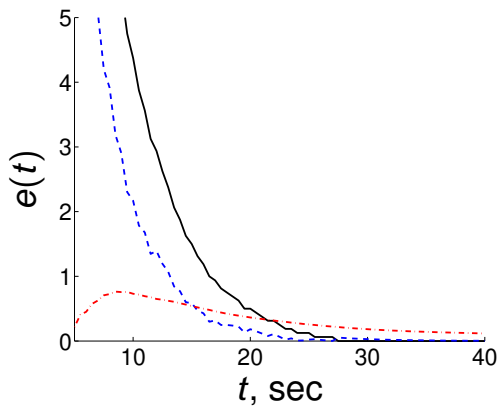
# Simulation with time-varying parameter



# Proof of concept prototype



# Results in real-life experiment



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# The problem considered is to detect abnormal operation based on observed data

prior information about data-generating system

model-based vs direct data-driven methods

observed data collected offline and online

- ▶ dedicated experiment — known excitation signal
- ▶ “normal” operation — unknown excitation signal

# We consider three data collection scenarios

free response / transient data

forced response with known excitation

forced response with unknown excitation

# Recall the nonparametric representation of an LTI system's finite-horizon behavior

assumptions:

- ▶  $w_d \in \mathcal{B}|_{T_d}$  — exact offline data
- ▶  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}_{(m,\ell,n)}$  — bounded complexity LTI system
- ▶ for  $T \geq \ell(\mathcal{B})$ ,  $\text{rank } \mathcal{H}_T(w_d) = mT + n$  — informative data

then, the data-driven representation holds

$$\text{image } \mathcal{H}_T(w_d) = \mathcal{B}|_T \quad (\text{DDR})$$

The fault detection criterion is the distance from online data  $w$  to system's behavior  $\mathcal{B}$

$$\text{dist}(w, \mathcal{B}) := \min_{\hat{w} \in \mathcal{B}|_T} \|w - \hat{w}\|$$

under the assumptions, using (DDR), we have

$$\text{dist}(w, \mathcal{B}) = \|w - \mathcal{H}_T(w_d) \mathcal{H}_T^+(w_d) w\|$$

direct data-driven computation of the distance

# The fault detection method has offline and online steps

offline: using  $w_d$ , find orthonormal basis  $B$  for  $\mathcal{B}|_T$

online: compute and threshold

$$\text{dist}(w, \mathcal{B}) = \|(I - BB^\top)w\|$$

with noisy data  $w_d$ , the offline step is

- ▶ SVD truncation of  $\mathcal{H}_T(w_d)$
- ▶ structured low-rank approximation of  $\mathcal{H}_T(w_d)$
- ▶ model identification, using  $w_d$



With unobserved excitation signal  $e$ ,  
prior knowledge about  $e$  is needed

zero-mean white Gaussian (disturbance)

deterministic signal  $\rightsquigarrow$  input estimation problem

the model describes  $w_{\text{ext}} := \begin{bmatrix} e \\ w \end{bmatrix}$

- ▶  $e$  — unobserved signal
- ▶  $w$  — observed signal

# Finding $e$ is a linear least-norm problem

given a model  $\mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}$  that describes  $w_{\text{ext}} := \begin{bmatrix} e \\ w \end{bmatrix}$

$$\hat{e}_{\text{In}} := \arg \min_{(\hat{e}, w) \in \mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}|_{\mathcal{T}}} \|\hat{e}\|$$

exact recovery  $\hat{e}_{\text{In}} = e$  is not possible

# Deterministic input estimation is linear least-squares problem

$\Pi_e / \Pi_w$  — projection of  $w_{\text{ext}} := \begin{bmatrix} e \\ w \end{bmatrix}$  on  $e / w$

given,  $\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{\text{ext}}|_T = \text{image } B_{\text{ext}}$  (basis for  $\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{\text{ext}}|_T$ )

$$\hat{e} := \Pi_e B_{\text{ext}} (\Pi_w B_{\text{ext}})^+ w$$

# Fault detection method with unobserved input

generalized distance measure:

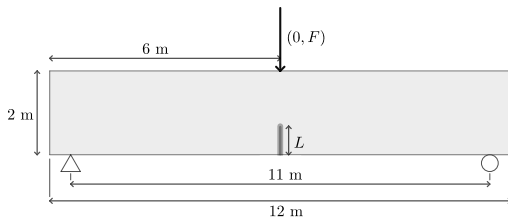
$$\text{dist}(w, \mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}) := \min_{(\hat{e}, \hat{w}) \in \mathcal{B}|_T} \|w - \hat{w}\|$$

offline: using  $(e_d, w_d)$ , find basis  $B_{\text{ext}}$  for  $\mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}|_T$   
and let  $B_w := \Pi_w B_{\text{ext}}$

online: compute and threshold

$$\text{dist}(w, \mathcal{B}_{\text{ext}}) = \|(I - B_w B_w^\top)w\|$$

# Validation on vibrating beam with crack subject to unobserved disturbance force



data	crack	loss of	type of
$w_d^k$	length	stiffness	damage
0	0.0m	0%	none
1	0.7m	100%	severe
2	0.7m	36%	medium
3	0.2m	100%	medium
4	0.2m	36%	mild

observed displacements left / right of the crack

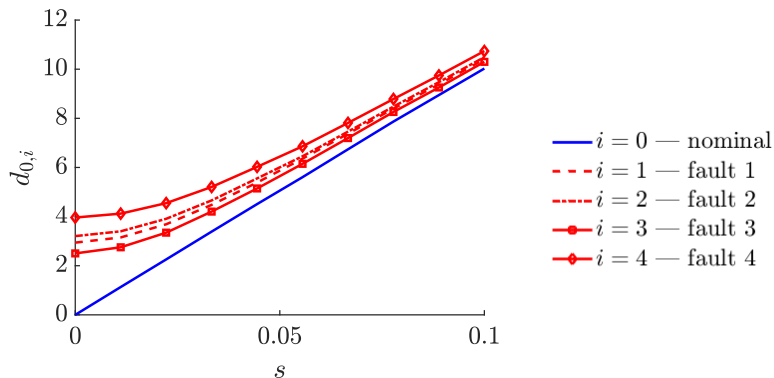
hyper-parameters:  $T = 100$ ,  $\ell = 2$ ,  $n = 6$

offline computation:  $\mathcal{B}^k$  using  $w_d^k$

online computation:  $d_{0,k} := \text{dist}(w^0, \mathcal{B}^k)$

noise with standard deviation  $s$  added to  $w^0$

# Distances from nominal data to models as function of noise level



# Comments

the beam behaves like 6th order LTI system

most severe crack is not hardest to detect

effect of the sensor location



# Outlook

## assumptions:

- ▶ bounded complexity LTI system
- ▶ hyper-parameters: horizon  $T$  and lag  $\ell$
- ▶ different ways to deal with noise in offline data  $w_d$

## advantages:

- ▶ representation invariant distance measure
- ▶ can deal with unobserved disturbance signal
- ▶ cheap to compute online and simple to implement

## other applications

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# Problem formulation

given: “data” trajectory  $(u_d, y_d) \in \mathcal{B}|_{T_d}$  and  $z \in \mathbb{C}$

find:  $H(z)$ , where  $H$  is the transfer function of  $\mathcal{B}$

*I. Markovsky and H. Ossareh. Finite-data nonparametric frequency response evaluation without leakage. Automatica, 159:111351, 2024.*

# Data-driven solution

we are interested in trajectory

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \exp_z \\ \hat{H}_{\exp_z} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}, \quad \text{where } \exp_z(t) := z^t$$

using the data-driven representation, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{H}_L(u_d) \\ \mathcal{H}_L(y_d) \end{bmatrix} g = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z} \\ \hat{H}\mathbf{z} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{where } \mathbf{z} := \begin{bmatrix} z^1 \\ \vdots \\ z^L \end{bmatrix}$$

which leads to the system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathcal{H}_L(u_d) \\ -\mathbf{z} & \mathcal{H}_L(y_d) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{H} \\ g \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{SYS})$$

Solution method: solve (SYS) for  $\hat{H}$

with  $L \geq \ell + 1$ ,  $\hat{H} = H(z)$

without prior knowledge of  $\ell$

$$L = L_{\max} := \lfloor (T_d + 1)/3 \rfloor$$

trivial generalization to

- ▶ multivariable systems
- ▶ multiple data trajectories  $\{w_d^1, \dots, w_d^N\}$
- ▶ evaluation of  $H(z)$  at multiple points in  $\{z_1, \dots, z_K\} \in \mathbb{C}^K$

# Comparison with classical nonparametric frequency response estimation methods

ignored initial/terminal conditions  $\rightsquigarrow$  *leakage*

DFT grid  $\rightsquigarrow$  limited *frequency resolution*

improvements by windowing and interpolation

- ▶ the leakage is not eliminated
- ▶ the methods involve *hyper-parameters*

# Generalization of (SYS) to noisy data

preprocessing: rank- $mL + n$  approx. of  $\mathcal{H}_L(w_d)$

- ▶ hyper-parameters  $L \geq \ell + 1$  and  $n$
- ▶ if the approximation preserves the Hankel structure, the method is maximum-likelihood in the EIV setting

regularization with  $\|g\|_1$

- ▶ hyper-parameter: the 1-norm regularization parameter

regularization with the nuclear norm of  $\mathcal{H}_L(\widehat{w}_d)$

- ▶ hyper-parameters:  $L$  and the regularization parameter

# Matlab implementation

```
function Hh = dd_frest(ud, yd, z, n)
L = n + 1; t = (1:L)';
m = size(ud, 2); p = size(yd, 2);

%% preprocessing by low-rank approximation
H = [moshank(ud, L); moshank(yd, L)];
[U, ~, ~] = svd(H); P = U(:, 1:m * L + n);

%% form and solve the system of equations
for k = 1:length(z)
    A = [[zeros(m*L, p); -kron(z(k).^t, eye(p))] P];
    hg = A \ [kron(z(k).^t, eye(m)); zeros(p*L, m)];
    Hh(:, :, k) = hg(1:p, :);
end
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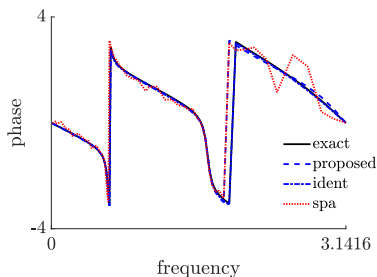
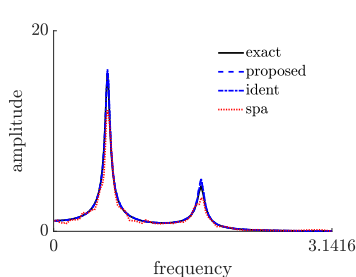
- ▶ effectively 5 lines of code
- ▶ MIMO case, multiple evaluation points
- ▶  $L = n + 1$  in order to have a single hyper-parameter



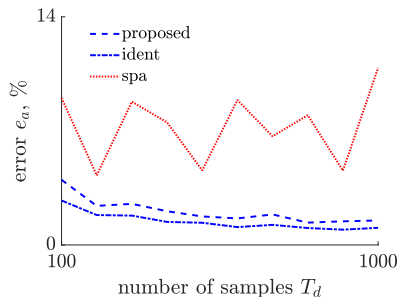
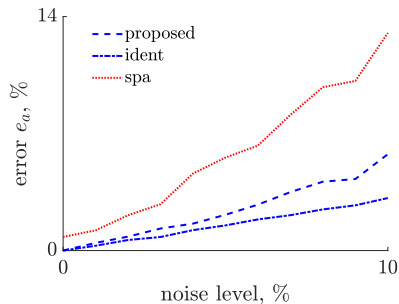
# Example: EIV setup with 4th order system

`dd_frest` is compared with

- ▶ `ident` — parametric maximum-likelihood estimator
- ▶ `spa` — nonparameteric estimator with Welch filter



# Monte-Carlo simulation over different noise levels and number of samples



$$e_a := 100\% \cdot |(|\overline{H}_z| - |\hat{H}_z|)| / |\overline{H}_z|$$