

Weekly Thesis Presentation

A project on Non-linear loudspeaker estimation

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1 Theoretical considerations

Model approaches



In data driven modelling 3 system classes of systems are often used to describe the how informed the model is being:

Blackbox

using no apriori information on model structure e.g. MLE based methods such as: Universal aproximator regression, sparse regression such as sindy and symbolic regression

Graybox

using some apriori information for some model structure e.g. Scientific ML such as **PINN's**, neural odes, **NN - injected models**

Whitebox

using only apriori information to infer the model structure e.g. physics-based models

Universal approximators



A Universal Approximator (\mathcal{U}) is a function which is proven to estimate almost all functions to an arbitrary precision. Currently at least 8 types of \mathcal{U} have been proven:

Taylor - f must be k -times differentiable at a

$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^k c_i (x-a)^i + R_k(x)$ where $c_i = \frac{1}{i!} \frac{d^i}{dx^i} f(x)|_{x=a}$ and $R_k(x) = o(|x-a|^k)$ which is the residual term.

Fourier Series - f is piecewise C^1 and 2π -periodic

$f(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N [A_i \cos(\frac{2\pi i}{T}x + \phi_i)]$ where T is the period of f , A_i is the amplitude and ϕ_i is the phase of the i 'th harmonic component.

Universal approximators (ii)



Stone, Weierstrass - **f must be continuous real-valued function defined on an interval [a,b]**

kolmogorov, Arnold - **f must be continuous multivariate function**

Funahashi, Hornik and Cybenko - **single layer MLP**

$f_{\text{NN}}(x) = \sigma(A_1 X + b_1)$ where A_1 is \mathbb{R}^m

Park et al. - **MLP of width $\max(n+1, m)$ for $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$**

$f_{\text{NN}}(x) = A_2 \sigma(A_1 X + b_1) + b_2$

Universal approximators (iii)



Park et al. - **spiking neural networks**

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Dynamical systems



State space models

System of differential equations of one variables of the form

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad y = Cx, \quad x_0 = x|_{t=0}$$

Non-linear - State space models

System of differential equations of one variables of the form

$$\dot{x} = A(x)x + B(x)u, \quad y = C(x)x, \quad x_0 := x|_{t=0}$$

Dynamical systems (ii)



Universal Differential Equations

System of differential equations of one variables of the form

$\dot{x} = \text{NN}(\theta, x)$ note this is also known by forced stochastic delay partial differential equation(PDE) defined with embedded universal approximators.

Deep learning models



Multilayer perceptron - \mathcal{U}

$$\sum_{i=0}^m \sigma(A_i x + b_1)$$

Convolutional neural network - $f * g$

$$\int f * g$$

1.d.a PINN methods

Neural Ode

Attention(Data-Dependent Kernel (Nadaraya–Watson))

Deep learning models (ii)



2 Technical considerations

Frameworks



Technical considerations in this project are made from first a purely standpoint which then is formulated in practical terms:

theoretic

- **mathematical concepts:**
 - automatic differentiation(for black-/graybox modelling)
 - ode solving (for gray-/whitebox modelling)
- **implementations of models/techniques**

Frameworks (ii)



Python

- **mathematical concepts:**
 - jax (AD)
 - equinox/diffrax(ODE solving)
- **implementations of models/techniques**
 - dynax (sysid/basisfitting)
 - jax sys-id (sysid)

Frameworks (iii)



Julia

- **mathematical concepts:**
 - DifferentiationInterface.jl (AD)
 - OrdinaryDiffEq.jl (ODE solving)
- **implementations of models/techniques**
 - ScimlSensitivity.jl (sysid/nn fitting)
 - DatadrivenDiffEq.jl (Sindy)

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3 Pre-Week meeting #1

Motivation



Estimation of linear parameters (e.g., R_e , L_e , B_l , M_m , K_m , R_m) in our loudspeaker dynamic model is crucial for:

- **Accurate System Identification:** Capturing the true electrical and mechanical dynamics ensures that controller design and simulation reflect real-world behavior.
- **Computational Efficiency:** VarPro eliminates the need to estimate linear coefficients in each nonlinear iteration, yielding faster and more stable parameter convergence.

Theory – Linear Parameter Estimation



3.b.a Estimation of linear params

In a linear time-invariant loudspeaker model

$$\dot{u} = A(\theta, u) + B(x)$$

$$y = C(u)$$

with parameter vector

$$\theta = [R_e, L_e, Bl, M_m, K_m, R_m]$$

and Gaussian measurement noise, the maximum-likelihood estimate is the weighted least-squares solution:

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \min_{\theta} \sum_{n=1}^N \left[\frac{(i[n] - \hat{i}[n; \theta])^2}{\sigma_i^2} + \frac{(v[n] - \hat{v}[n; \theta])^2}{\sigma_v^2} \right].$$

Theory – Linear Parameter Estimation (ii)

Using **Variable Projection (VarPro)**:

- Separate linear-in- θ blocks (impulse responses) from nonlinear parameters.
- Project out the linear coefficients analytically at each iteration.
- Solve a lower-dimensional nonlinear least-squares on θ .

Hypothesis



1. **Time-domain WLS** recovers θ with accuracy comparable to cross-spectral methods under 5% noise.
2. **Welch-based TF-LS** exhibits higher variance and bias at high frequencies due to window leakage.
3. **Multitaper + Wiener** yields the lowest PSD-estimation variance but at greater computational cost.

Planned Experiments



1. Data generation

- Simulate true model with known θ_{true} .
- Drive with (a) unit impulse, (b) white noise; sample $N = 5 * 10^6$ points, add 5% uniform noise.

2. Parameter estimation methods

- **TD-WLS**: minimize $\sum (y - x(\theta))^2 \sigma^2$ via Levenberg-Marquardt.
- **Welch TF-LS**: estimate $\hat{G}(\omega)$ with `DSP.welch`, fit $\sum | \hat{G} - G(\theta) |^2$.
- **Cross-spectral WLS**: use weighted cross-spectral fit (Eq.18 Lab A).

3. Evaluation metrics

- Parameter RMSE: $|\hat{\theta} - \theta_{\text{true}}|$.
- FRF error: $\max_{\omega} |H_{\{\text{est}\}} - H_{\text{true}}|$.
- Compute time per method.

4 Pre-Week meeting #2

Research question



1. **Q:** What “surrogate model”/“In-situ-compensation” or “function approximation” minimizes the physics informed loss function of the chosen subset of models modelling the loudspeaker?
 - **Follow-up:** Whats the assumptions of the model? White-, Gray- or Black-box?
 - **A:** preferably Gray-box
 - **Follow-up:** Which physics informed loss function?
 - **A:** MSE + PINN terms
 - **Follow-up:** which model?
 - **potential models:**
 - polynomial basis - based on orthogonal basis
 - **Reservoir computing** - based on chaos
 - **neural networks** - based on linear combination of nonlinear basis
 - **kolmogorov arnold networks** - based on linear combination of nonlinear basis
2. **Q:** How can an analytical model be extracted from data, Black-box or Gray-box models?
 - **Follow-up:**

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