

Full module network identification

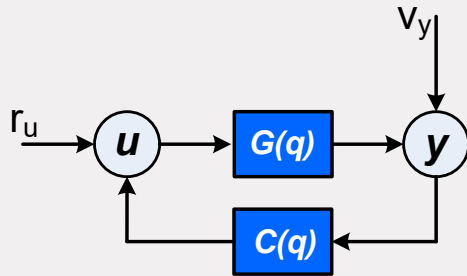
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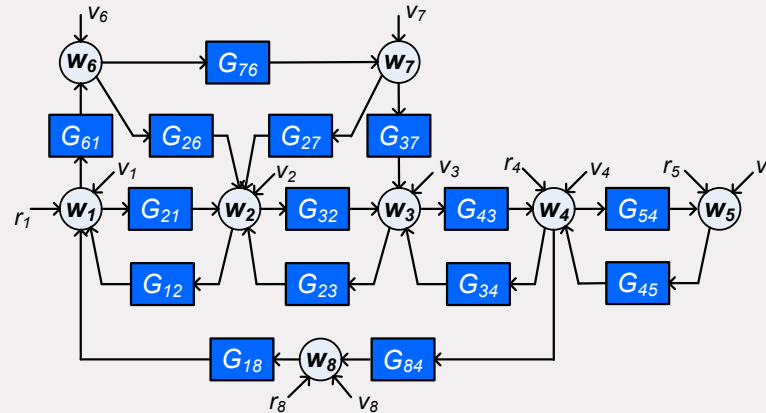
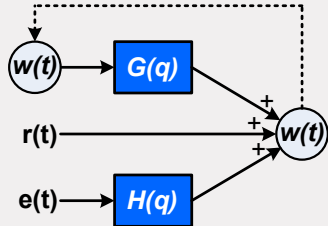
Network identification



From classical models...

...to dynamic network models

Nodes: input *and* output



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$$w(t) = G(q)w(t) + R(q)r(t) + H(q)e(t)$$

Derivation of the predictor - In case of full rank disturbances ($H(q)$ square and invertible)*:

$$e(t) = H(q)^{-1}[(I - G(q))w(t) - R(q)r(t)]$$

$$\begin{aligned}w(t) &= G(q)w(t) + R(q)r(t) + (H(q) - I)e(t) + e(t) \\ &= G(q)w(t) + R(q)r(t) + (I - H(q)^{-1})[(I - G(q))w(t) - R(q)r(t)] + e(t) \\ &= [I - H(q)^{-1}(I - G(q))]w(t) + [H(q)^{-1}R(q)]r(t) + e(t)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{w}(t|t-1) = \bar{E}\{w(t) | w^{t-1}, r^t\} &= [I - H(q)^{-1}(I - G(q))]w(t) + [H(q)^{-1}R(q)]r(t) \\ &= \underbrace{[I - H(q)^{-1}]}_{\text{"output"}} + \underbrace{H(q)^{-1}G(q)}_{\text{"input"}}w(t) + H(q)^{-1}R(q)r(t)\end{aligned}$$

* For simplicity we assume G strictly proper

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$$w(t) = G(q)w(t) + R(q)r(t) + H(q)e(t)$$

Predictor model:

$$\hat{w}(t|t-1; \theta) = [I - H(q, \theta)^{-1} + H(q, \theta)^{-1}G(q, \theta)]w(t) + H(q, \theta)^{-1}R(q, \theta)r(t)$$

This leads to a prediction error:

$$\varepsilon(t, \theta) = H(q, \theta)^{-1}[(I - G(q, \theta))w(t) - R(q, \theta)r(t)]$$

and a prediction error estimator:

$$\hat{\theta}_N = \arg \min_{\theta} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=0}^{N-1} \varepsilon(t, \theta)^T Q \varepsilon(t, \theta) \quad Q > 0$$

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This is a consistent estimator, under the following conditions:

- System is in the model set, $\mathcal{S} \in \mathcal{M}$
- Model set \mathcal{M} is globally network identifiable at \mathcal{S}
- There are no algebraic loops in the network (every loop has a delay)
- The present r signals are persistently exciting of a sufficiently high order (data-informativity)

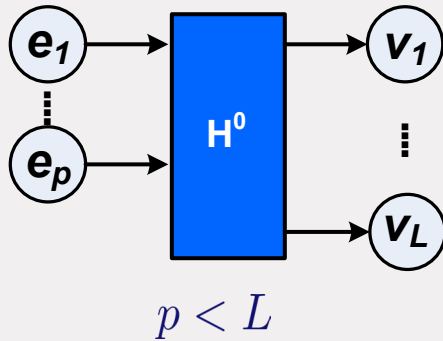
If disturbances are uncorrelated, i.e. $H(q, \theta)$ diagonal:
problem decomposed in L MISO problems

Network identification – reduced rank

What can we do if the disturbances are not full rank?

i.e. $\Phi_v(\omega)$ does not have full rank for all ω

In large scale networks there may be common sources behind multiple disturbances



This situation is not really treated
in the classical PEM literature

but known in (dynamic) factor analysis^[1]

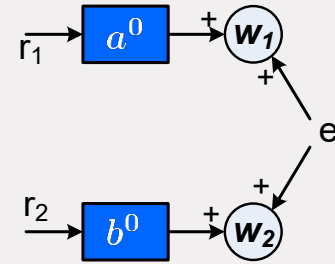
[1] Deistler, Scherrer and Anderson, 2015

Network identification – reduced rank

A simple example: 2 nodes disturbed by 1 noise

$$\varepsilon_1(t, a) = w_1(t) - ar_1(t)$$

$$\varepsilon_2(t, b) = w_2(t) - br_2(t)$$



Estimate a^0 with parameter a by minimizing $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=0}^{N-1} \varepsilon_1(t, \theta)^2$

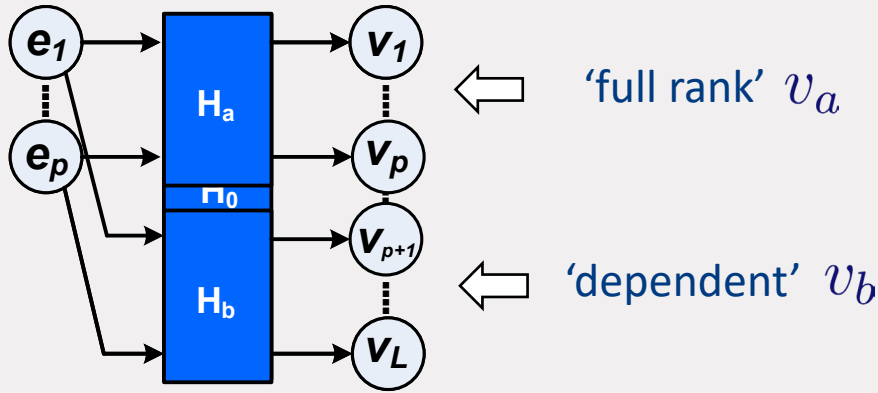
but note that using the dependency $\varepsilon_1(t, a^0) = \varepsilon_2(t, b^0)$ for the model leads to

$$\varepsilon_1(t, a) = \varepsilon_2(t, b) \Leftrightarrow e + (a^0 - a)r_1 = e + (b^0 - b)r_2$$

which for persistently exciting and independent r signals gives **variance-free estimates** $\hat{a} = a^0$ and $\hat{b} = b^0$.

Network identification – reduced rank

Noise can have $\dim(e) \leq \dim(v)$



Assumption:

$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_p \end{bmatrix}$ is a full rank noise

Can be detected from data

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} H_a \\ H_b \end{bmatrix}$$

H_a is monic, i.e. $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} H_a(z) = I$

H_b is non-square

Network identification – reduced rank

Particular spectral factorization result of a stochastic process v with rank $p \leq L$ and with $(v_1 \cdots v_p)$ full rank:

$$\Phi_v = \check{H} \check{\Delta} \check{H}^*$$

$$\text{with } \check{H} = \begin{bmatrix} H_a & 0 \\ H_b - \Gamma & I \end{bmatrix}, \quad \check{\Delta} = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ \Gamma \end{bmatrix} \Delta \begin{bmatrix} I \\ \Gamma \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad \Delta > 0, \quad \Gamma = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} H_b(z)$$

such that \check{H} and H_a are monic, stable and minimum-phase^[1]

$$\text{Consequently: } v(t) = \check{H}^0(q)e(t) = \begin{bmatrix} H_a^0 & 0 \\ H_b^0 - \Gamma^0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e \\ \Gamma^0 e \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{with } \begin{bmatrix} e_a \\ e_b \end{bmatrix} := \check{H}^0(q)^{-1}v(t) \text{ it follows that } \Gamma^0 e_a(t) - e_b(t) = 0 \text{ for all } t$$

[1] Cao, Picci & Lindquist (Automatica, 2023) have shown that this requires the assumption that the deterministic mapping from v_a to v_b is stable.

Network identification – reduced rank

$$\varepsilon(t, \theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_a(t, \theta) \\ \varepsilon_b(t, \theta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H_a(q, \theta) & 0 \\ H_b(q, \theta) - \Gamma(\theta) & I \end{bmatrix}^{-1} [(I - G(q, \theta))w(t) - R(q, \theta)r(t)]$$

with the constraint: $\Gamma(\theta)\varepsilon_a(t, \theta) - \varepsilon_b(t, \theta) = 0$ for all t

Weighted least-squares method: discard dependencies in noise:

$$\theta^* = \arg \min_{\theta} \mathbb{E} \varepsilon^T(t, \theta) Q \varepsilon(t, \theta) \quad Q > 0$$

leads to consistent estimates of the network,
under the same conditions as for the full rank case

However: For ML / minimum variance results we typically would need $Q = [\text{cov}(e)]^{-1}$
but $\text{cov}(e)$ is not invertible

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Constrained least-squares method: include the noise constraint:

$$\theta^* = \arg \min_{\theta} \bar{\mathbb{E}} \{ \varepsilon_a^T(t, \theta) Q_a \varepsilon_a(t, \theta) \} \quad Q_a > 0$$

$$\text{subject to } \bar{\mathbb{E}} \{ Z^T(t, \theta) Z(t, \theta) \} = 0$$

$$\text{with } Z(t, \theta) := \Gamma(\theta) \varepsilon_a(t, \theta) - \varepsilon_b(t, \theta)$$

leads to consistent estimates of the network,
under the same conditions as before

This approach provides **Maximum Likelihood Estimates**,
through constrained optimization of the log-likelihood function

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Constraint can be infeasible \implies Relax the constraint

$$\theta^* = \arg \min_{\theta} \bar{\mathbb{E}} \{ \varepsilon_a^T(t, \theta) Q_a \varepsilon_a(t, \theta) \} + \lambda \bar{\mathbb{E}} \{ Z^T(t, \theta) Z(t, \theta) \}$$

with $Z(t, \theta) := \Gamma(\theta) \varepsilon_a(t, \theta) - \varepsilon_b(t, \theta)$

and λ a tuning parameter

Which is a WLS with parameterized weight $\theta^* = \arg \min_{\theta} \bar{\mathbb{E}} \{ \varepsilon_a^T(t, \theta) Q_{\lambda} \varepsilon_a(t, \theta) \}$

$$Q_{\lambda}(\Gamma) = \begin{bmatrix} Q_a + \lambda \Gamma^T(\theta) \Gamma(\theta) & -\lambda \Gamma^T(\theta) \\ \lambda \Gamma(\theta) & \lambda I \end{bmatrix}$$

Computationally more attractive

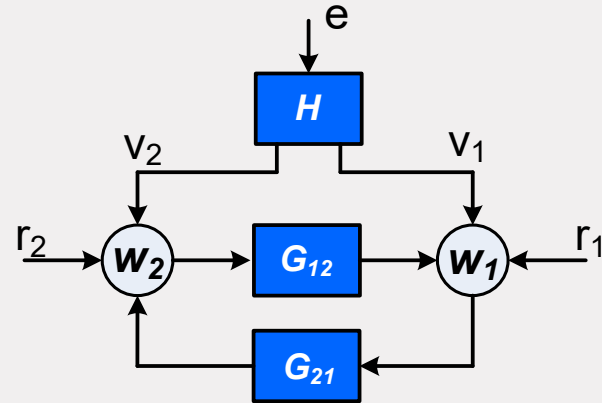
Network identification – simulation example

$N = 1000$ samples,
100 realizations of data,
 $\sigma_e^2 = 100\sigma_{r_1}^2 = 100\sigma_{r_2}^2$

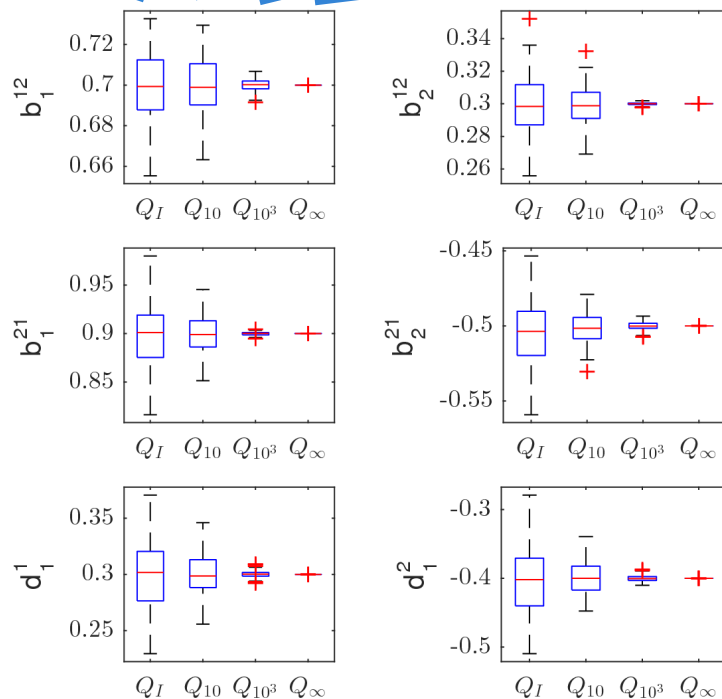
$$G_{ij}(q, \theta_0) = b_1^{ij} q^{-1} + b_2^{ij} q^{-2}$$

$$H_i(q, \theta_0) = \frac{1}{1+d_1^i q^{-1}}$$

} 6 parameters in total



WLS: $Q = I$, Relaxed $\lambda = 10$, Relaxed $\lambda = 1000$, CLS



Variance-free when dependencies taken into account

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However: methods based on non-convex optimization scale poorly to larger dimensions

Alternatives: Sequential / multi-step methods / weighted nullspace fitting^{[1]-[3]}

- Estimate a (regularized) high-order ARX model
- Either reconstruct the innovation signal to become a measured input, or approximate the high-order model with linear techniques
- Iterate to find the optimal criterion weighting for optimal variance

To be further developed to arrive at robust algorithms

[1] Galrinho, Rojas and Hjalmarsson, TAC 2019

[2] Weerts et al, SYSID 2018

[3] Fonken et al, Automatica, 2022