

SYSDYNET - App and Toolbox for data-driven modeling and diagnostics in dynamic networks

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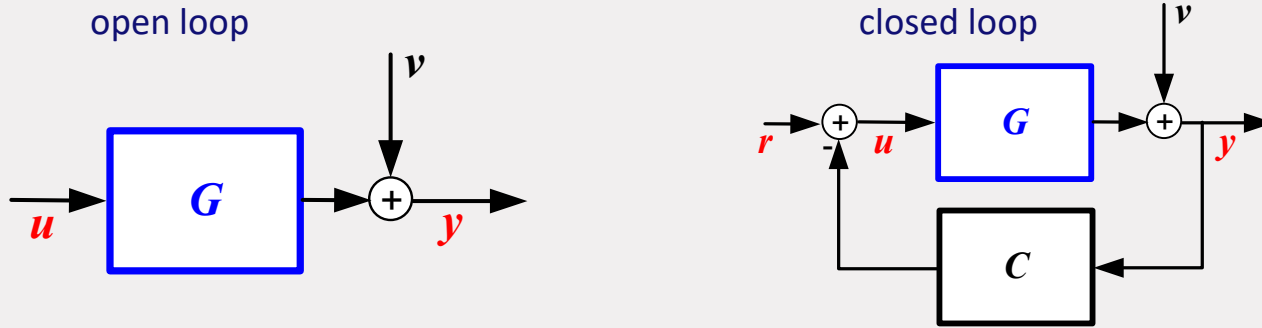
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System identification

The classical (multivariable) data-driven modeling problems^[1]:

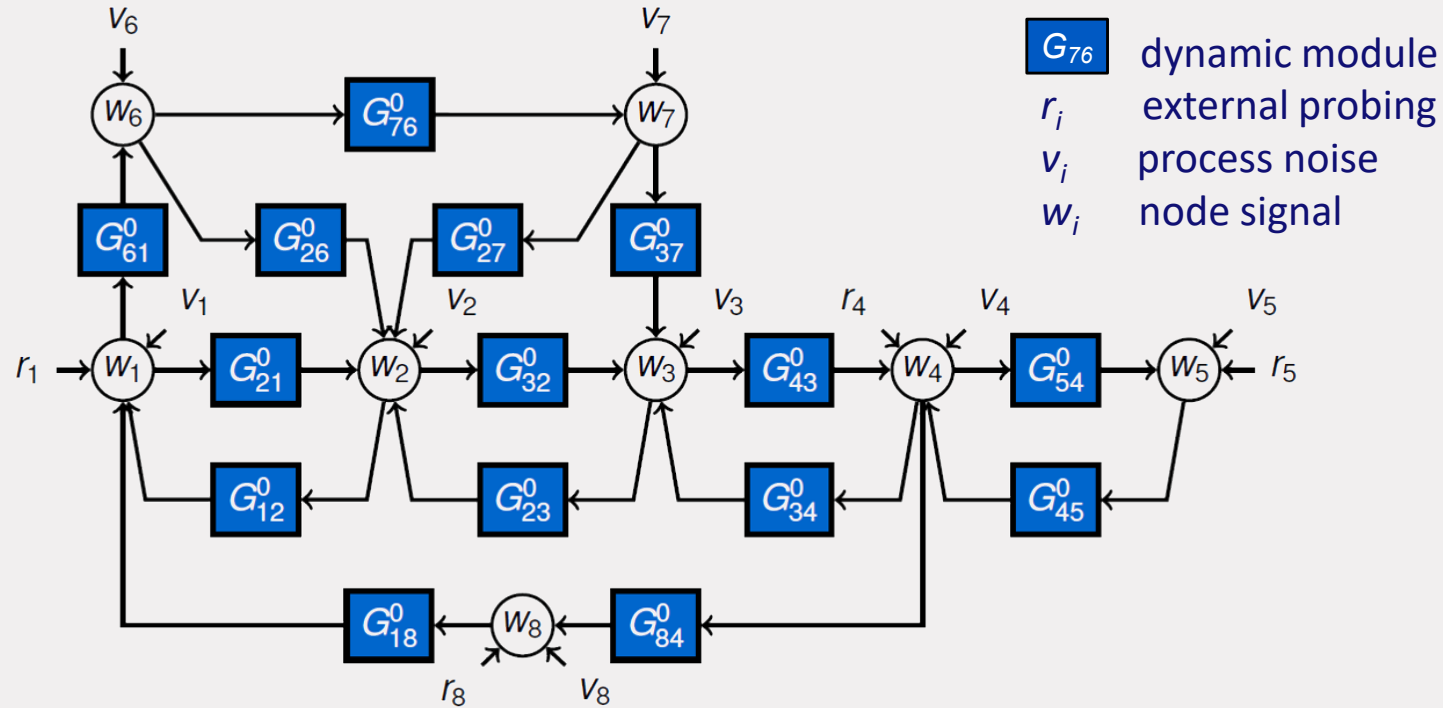


Identify a model of G on the basis of measured signals u, y (and possibly r), focusing on *continuous LTI dynamics*.

In interconnected systems (networks) the **structure / topology** becomes important to include

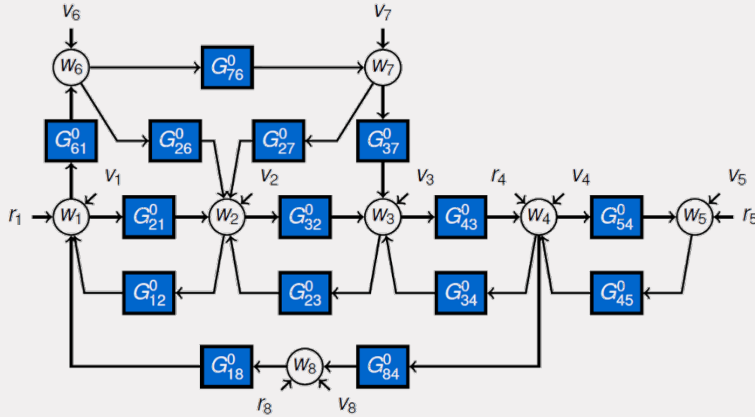
^[1] Ljung (1999), Söderström and Stoica (1989), Pintelon and Schoukens (2012)

LTI Dynamic network setup



Type of Bayesian network for time series / dynamic systems

LTI Dynamic network setup



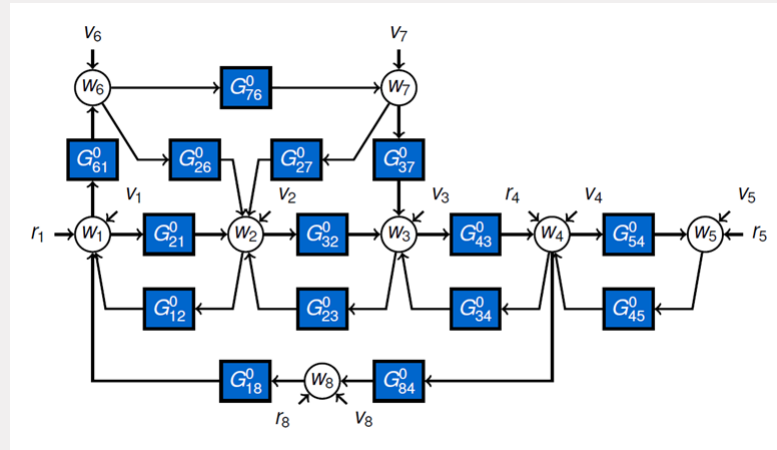
Basic building block:

$$w_j(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}_j} G^0_{jk}(q) w_k(t) + v_j(t) + r_j(t)$$

Collecting all equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_L \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & G^0_{12} & \cdots & G^0_{1L} \\ G^0_{21} & 0 & \cdots & G^0_{2L} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ G^0_{L1} & G^0_{L2} & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Network matrix } G^0(q)} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_L \end{bmatrix} + H^0 \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ \vdots \\ e_p \end{bmatrix} + R^0 \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_K \end{bmatrix}$$

Dynamic network setup



Measured time series:

$$\{w_i(t)\}_{i=1,\dots,L}; \{r_j(t)\}_{j=1,\dots,K}$$

Data-driven modeling
questions/tasks:

- **Identifiability** analysis/synthesis of a module / subnetwork / full network
- **Identification** of a module / subnetwork / full network (known topology)
- Typical user choices:
 - Excitation locations (r)
 - Sensor locations (measured nodes)
 - Prior known / parametrized modules

Network creation/editing

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Dynamic Network: Editor

Edit

Nodes

Action: Add Delete

Type: Node (w) ▼

From: Select ▼

To: Select ▼

Add Clear

Links

Action: Add Delete

From: Select ▼

To: Select ▼

New Clear

Properties

node	measured
w1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Modules

Single Module

All Modules

Select ▼

Known

Switching

Direct feedthrough

Legend:

- Node (w)
- White noise (e)
- Module (G)

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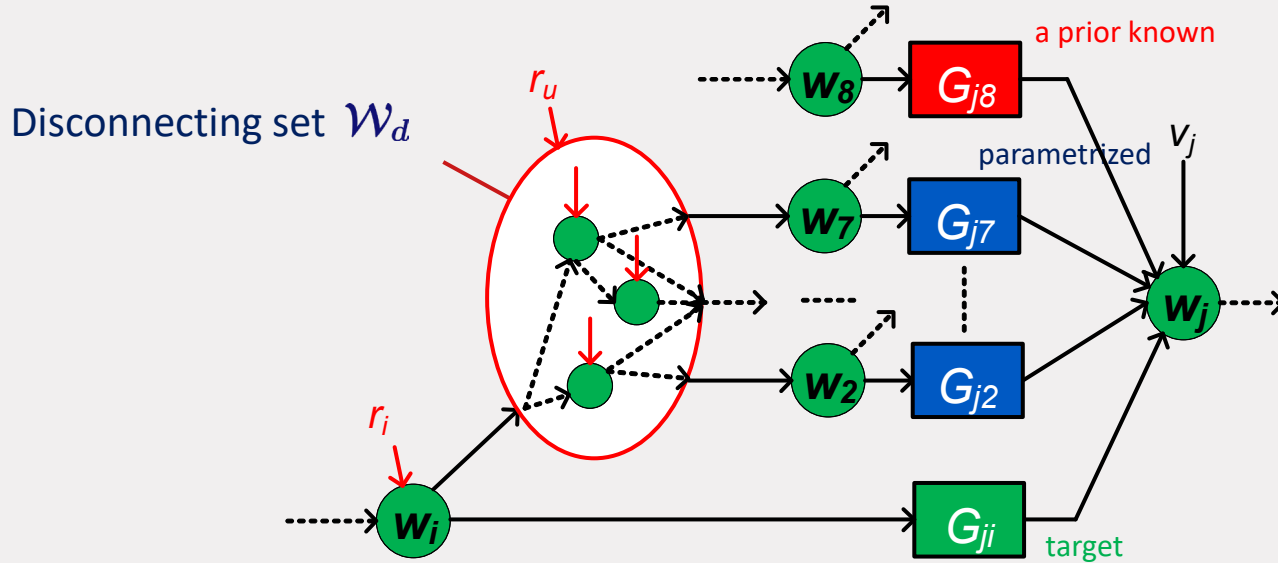
- Network creation
- Adding/removing/replacing nodes/links/external signals
- Editing structural properties of modules/nodes
- Edit through input panel or interactively in plot.
- Highlighting of properties

Network identifiability (new)

- Given the topology of a network.
- Given the location of excitation signals r and the (sub)set of measured nodes w_s
- w_s can be written as $w_s(t) = T_{wr}(q)r(t) + v_s(t)$
- The **identifiability** question then becomes:
Can a particular module G_{ji} (or a full network) be uniquely determined from $T_{wr}(q)$ and $\Phi_{v_s}(\omega)$?
- The answer is typically dependent on:
 - The network topology
 - Which modules are known / parametrized?
 - Location of external r 's and e 's.

Single module identifiability – full measurement

Synthesis question: where to allocate excitation signals?



Result^[1]: G_{ji} is generically identifiable if independent external signals are added to the nodes in \mathcal{W}_d and w_i . This can be either (independent) noise signals designed excitation signals.

[1] Shi, Cheng, VdHof, IFAC 2020; Automatica 2022.

Identifiability

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Dynamic Network: Identifiability TU/e Eindhoven University of Technology

Network

Full Single module

Target module: G1,2

Measurement

Full Partial

Selection of nodes

Node	Selected	Measured
w1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
w7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

All/None Save selected nodes

Analysis Synthesis

Pass/Fail ●

Add/remove excitation signals

Select Select

Add Remove

15-Nov-2023 11:34:24: The identifiability test is passed based on r-excitations only

15-Nov-2023 11:34:24: The single module identifiability test passed

15-Nov-2023 11:33:45: The identifiability test is passed based on r-excitations only

15-Nov-2023 11:33:45: The single module identifiability test passed

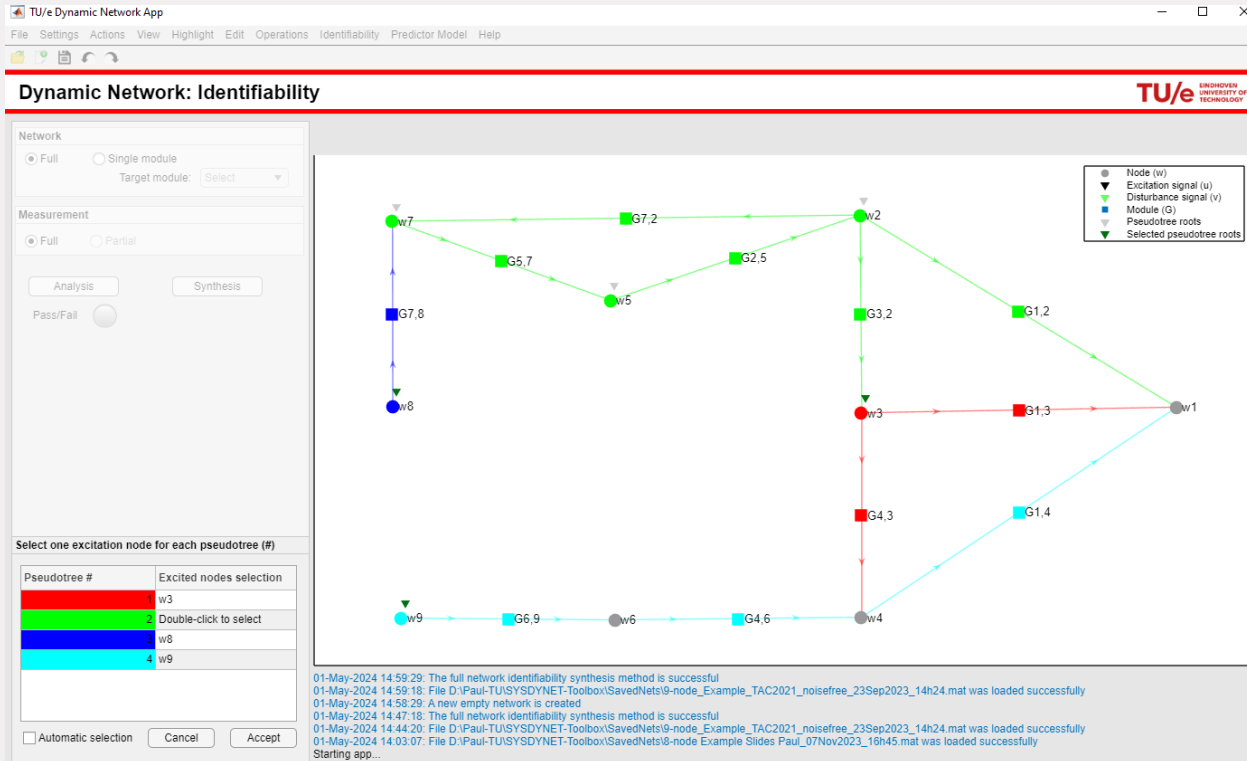
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15-Nov-2023 11:32:53: Nodes with an identifiability problem: w7

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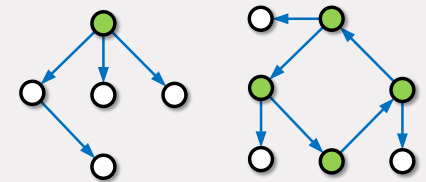
- Analyse identifiability of a single module / network
- Create (synthesize) identifiability of a single module / network
- User variables: Selected measured nodes + present r-signals

Allocation of external signals for network identifiability

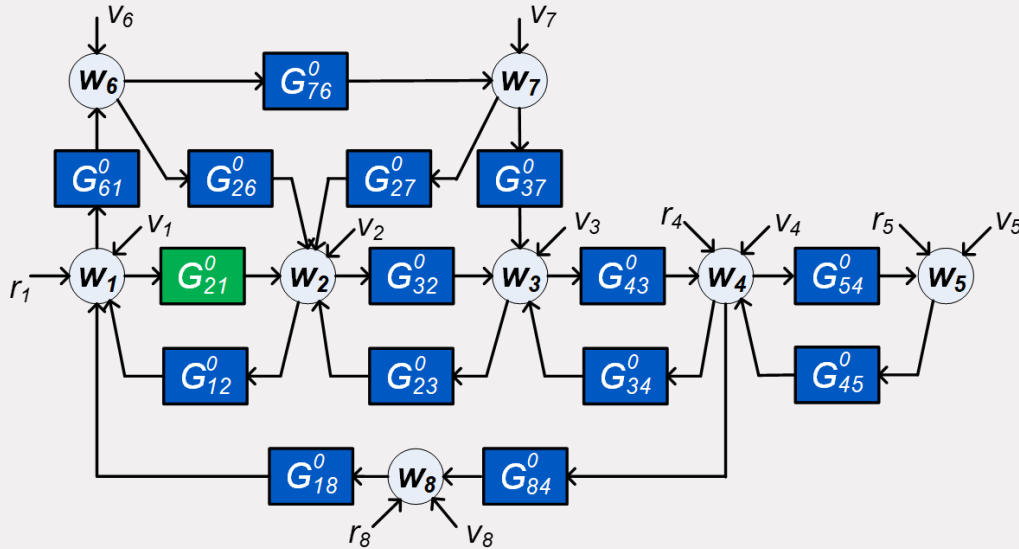


Full measurement case:

- Decomposition of network graph in disjoint pseudotrees
- Have an independent external signal in the root of each pseudotree



Single module identification



Different types of methods:

Indirect methods:

- Rely on mappings $r \rightarrow w$ and on sufficient excitation signals r

Direct methods:

- Rely on mappings $w \rightarrow w$ and use excitation from both r and v signals

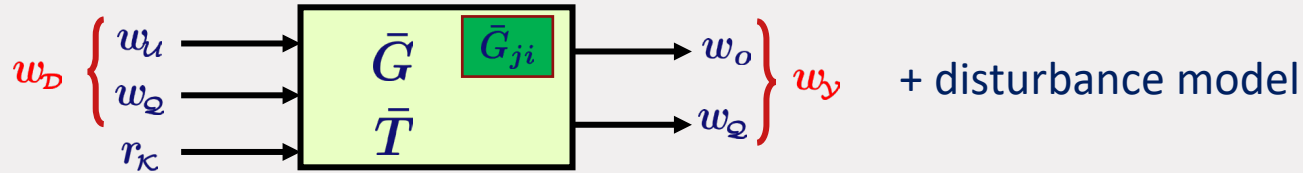
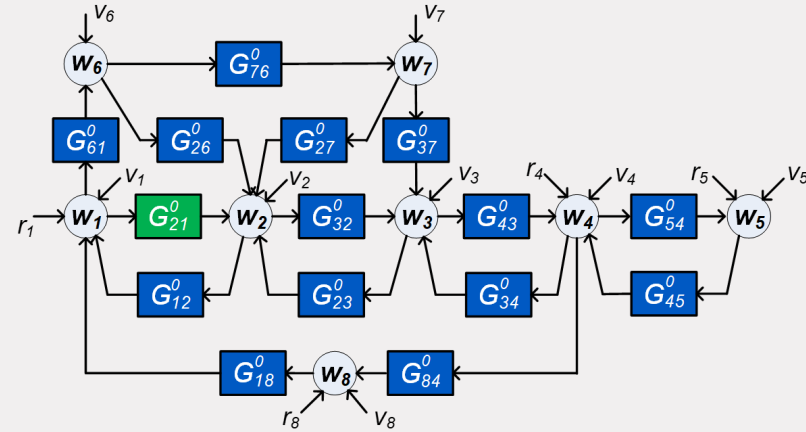
Identifiability results indicate which method can be used!

Single module identification

Select a predictor model:

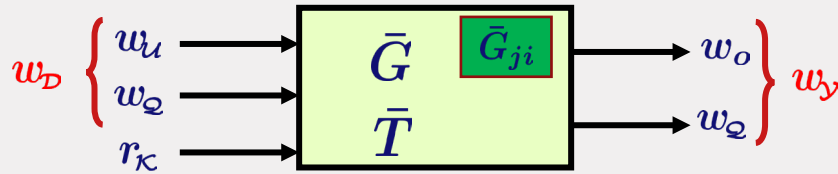
- Predicted outputs: w_y
- Predictor inputs: w_D, r_K

such that prediction error minimization leads to an accurate (reconstructed) estimate of G_{21}^0



Note: same node signals can appear in input and output

Predictor model for identification of a single module (direct method)



Method-dependent conditions for arriving at an accurate (consistent) model:

1. Module invariance: $\bar{G}_{ji} = G_{ji}^0$ when removing discarded nodes (immersion)
2. Handling of confounding variables
3. Data-informativity
4. *Technical condition on presence of delays*

Single module identification - confounding variables

Confounding variable ^{[1][2]}:

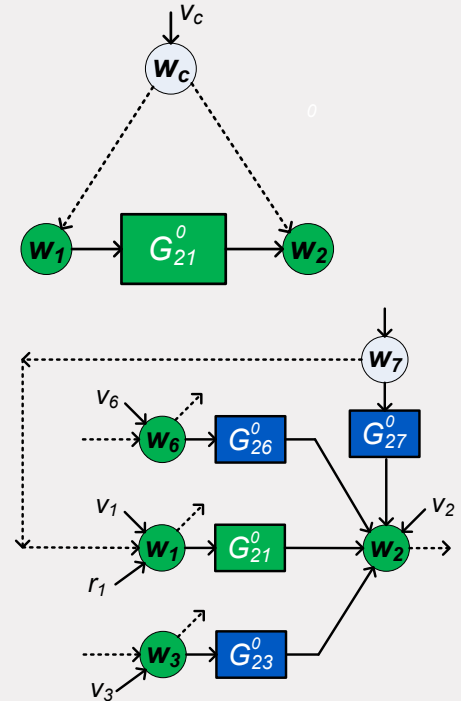
Unmeasured signal that has (unmeasured paths) to both the input and output of an estimation problem.

In networks they can appear in two different ways:

- If disturbances on inputs and outputs are correlated.
- If non-measured in-neighbors of an output affect signals in the inputs.

Solutions:

- Add additional nodes as predictor inputs or outputs ^[3].
- Decorrelate disturbances through a multistep method ^[4].



[1] J. Pearl, *Stat. Surveys*, 3, 96-146, 2009

[2] A.G. Dankers et al., *Proc. IFAC World Congress*, 2017.

[3] K.R. Ramaswamy et al., *IEEE-TAC*, 2021.

[4] S.J.M. Fonken et al., *Automatica* 2022, *CDC* 2023.

Predictor model construction for single module id

Dynamic Network: Predictor model

Target Module: G1,2

Predictor Models Synthesis

Method: Direct, MultiStep, Indirect

Consistency: Structural, +Data Informativity, Algebraic Loop

Synthesis Algorithm: Full Measurement, Partial Measurement

Inputs first, Outputs first

Synthesis Solution

Input:
Output:

Predictor Models Analysis

#	Target	Input	Output	...
<input type="checkbox"/>	G1,2	w2w3w4w5w8	w1w2	...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	G1,2	w2w3	w1w2	...

Analysis Options

Method: Direct, MultiStep, Indirect

Consistency: Structural, Data Informativity, Algebraic Loop

Input: w2w3
Output: w1w2

Add/remove excitation signals

Select:
Select:
Add Remove

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04-Dec-2023 15:45:12: Confounding variable conditions are not satisfied
04-Dec-2023 15:44:36: Predictor Model synthesis direct method completed
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04-Dec-2023 14:38:10: Switching modules must also be known
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Collection of PM's

Analysis of consistency properties

Adding/removing external signals

Construction of a PM (synthesis)

Toolbox m-files for actual simulation/identification

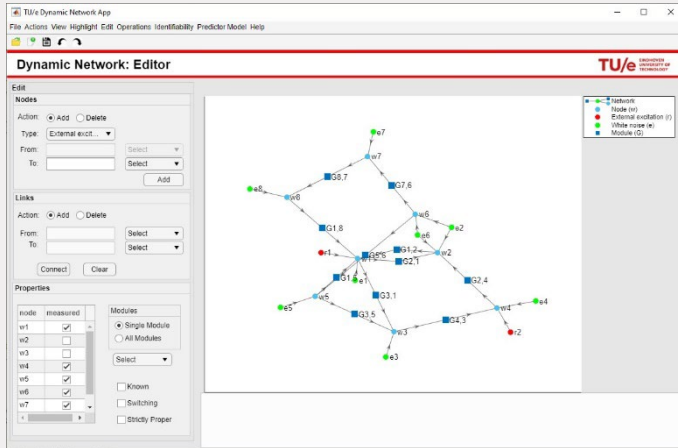
- Network simulation
- Full network identification with sequential linear regression (SLS) algorithm ^[1]
- Single module identification with the local direct method (PEM) ^[2]
- Single module identification with the multistep method ^[3]
- (to be extended)

[1] H.H.M. Weerts et al., SYSID 2018.

[2] K.R. Ramaswamy & PVdH, IEEE-TAC, 2021.

[3] S.J.M. Fonken et al., CDC 2023.

SYSDYNET App and Toolbox



Beta-version to be downloaded from www.sysdynet.net

Background material and papers: available on www.sysdynet.eu

Slides/videos of 8 hours course on dynamic network identification , Lyon, April 2024:

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