

# Solving Applications from Systems Theory Via Efficient Numerical Linear Algebra Root-Finding Algorithms

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# Polynomials and Macaulay matrix

$$\begin{cases} p_1(\mathbf{x}) = a_{00} + a_{10}x_1 + a_{01}x_2 + a_{20}x_1^2 + a_{11}x_1x_2 + a_{02}x_2^2 = 0 \\ p_2(\mathbf{x}) = b_{00} + b_{10}x_1 + b_{01}x_2 + b_{20}x_1^2 + b_{11}x_1x_2 + b_{02}x_2^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} p_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ x_1 p_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ x_2 p_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ p_2(\mathbf{x}) \\ x_1 p_2(\mathbf{x}) \\ x_2 p_2(\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_2 & x_1^2 & x_1x_2 & x_2^2 & x_1^3 & x_1^2x_2 & x_1x_2^2 & x_2^3 \\ a_{00} & a_{10} & a_{01} & a_{20} & a_{11} & a_{02} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{00} & 0 & a_{10} & a_{01} & 0 & a_{20} & a_{11} & a_{02} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{00} & 0 & a_{10} & a_{01} & 0 & a_{20} & a_{11} & a_{02} \\ b_{00} & b_{10} & b_{01} & b_{20} & b_{11} & b_{02} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b_{00} & 0 & b_{10} & b_{01} & 0 & b_{20} & b_{11} & b_{02} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & b_{00} & 0 & b_{10} & b_{01} & 0 & b_{20} & b_{11} & b_{02} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_1^2 \\ x_1x_2 \\ x_2^2 \\ x_1^3 \\ x_1^2x_2 \\ x_1x_2^2 \\ x_2^3 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

# Right null space of the Macaulay matrix

$$\begin{array}{l}
 p_1(\mathbf{x}) \\
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 \begin{bmatrix}
 1 & x_1 & x_2 & x_1^2 & x_1 x_2 & x_2^2 & x_1^3 & x_1^2 x_2 & x_1 x_2^2 & x_2^3 \\
 a_{00} & a_{10} & a_{01} & a_{20} & a_{11} & a_{02} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
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 0 & 0 & a_{00} & 0 & a_{10} & a_{01} & 0 & a_{20} & a_{11} & a_{02} \\
 b_{00} & b_{10} & b_{01} & b_{20} & b_{11} & b_{02} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & b_{00} & 0 & b_{10} & b_{01} & 0 & b_{20} & b_{11} & b_{02} & 0 \\
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 1 \\
 x_1 \\
 x_2 \\
 x_1^2 \\
 x_1 x_2 \\
 x_2^2 \\
 x_1^3 \\
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 \end{bmatrix}
 = \mathbf{0}$$

- Basis matrix of the right null space can be written in terms of the solutions ( $d \geq d_*$ ).

- from the rank-nullity theorem

$$\begin{aligned}
 n_d &= q_d - r_d \\
 &= \dim \mathcal{P}_d^n / \langle p_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, p_s(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_d
 \end{aligned}$$

- right null space  $\approx$  dual vector space of the quotient space
- requires differential functionals

$$\mathbf{v}_d = \begin{bmatrix}
 1 & 0 & 1 \\
 x_1 |_{(1)} & 1 & x_1 |_{(2)} \\
 x_2 |_{(1)} & 0 & x_2 |_{(2)} \\
 x_1^2 |_{(1)} & 2x_1 |_{(1)} & x_1^2 |_{(2)} \\
 x_1 x_2 |_{(1)} & x_2 |_{(1)} & x_1 x_2 |_{(2)} \\
 x_2^2 |_{(1)} & 0 & x_2^2 |_{(2)}
 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\partial_i(\cdot)|_{(j)} \triangleq \frac{1}{i_1! \dots i_n!} \frac{\partial^{|\mathbf{i}|}(\cdot)}{\partial x_1^{i_1} \dots \partial x_n^{i_n}} \Big|_{(j)}$$

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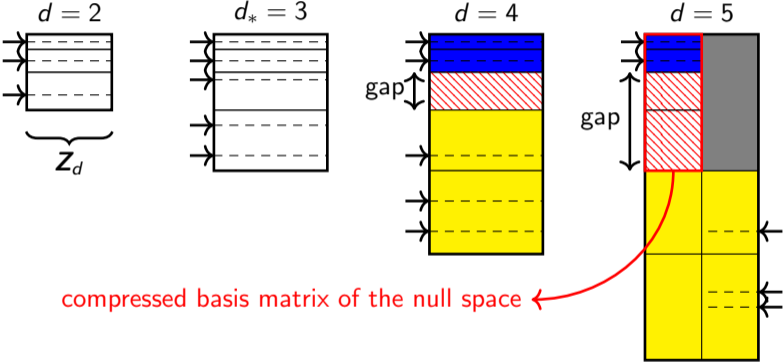
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- it is possible to *shift with any polynomial* in the variables:

$$\mathbf{T} \mathbf{D}_{x_2} \mathbf{T}^{-1} = (\mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{Z}_d)^{-1} (\mathbf{S}_{x_2} \mathbf{Z}_d),$$

which leads to the same  $\mathbf{T}$

# What is a “large enough” degree?



compressed basis matrix of the null space

Figure: The column compression deflates the solutions at infinity from the eigenvalue problems.



For more details...

- Stetter, 2004
- Batselier et al., 2014; De Cock and De Moor, 2021; Dreesen, 2013
- Vermeersch, 2023; Vermeersch and De Moor, 2021, 2022, 2023

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# $H_2$ -norm model reduction of SISO LTI models

Higher order model

$$H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{b_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + b_1s + b_0}{s^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_1s + a_0}$$

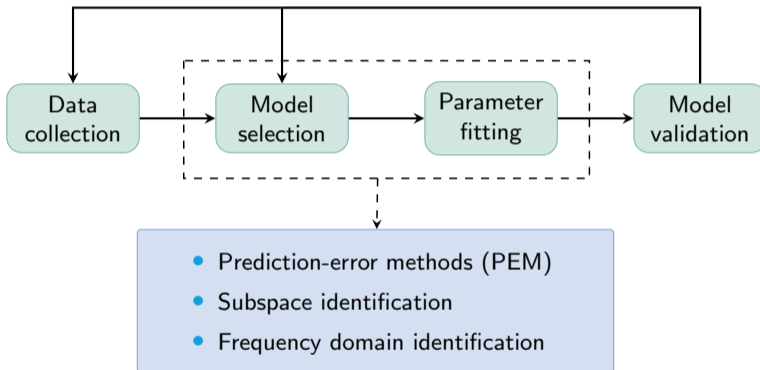
Reduced-order model ( $m < n$ )

$$\hat{H}(s) = \frac{\hat{b}(s)}{\hat{a}(s)} = \frac{\hat{b}_{m-1}s^{m-1} + \dots + \hat{b}_1s + \hat{b}_0}{s^m + \hat{a}_{m-1}s^{m-1} + \dots + \hat{a}_1s + \hat{a}_0}$$

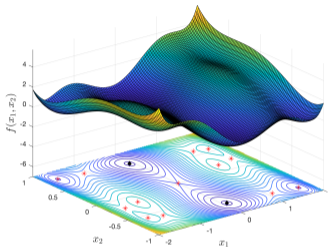
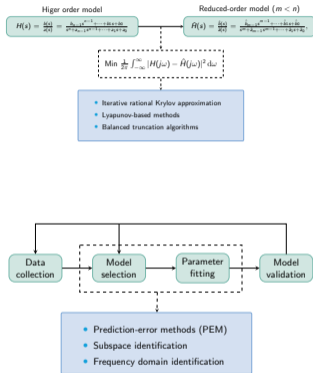
$$\text{Min } \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(j\omega) - \hat{H}(j\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

- Iterative rational Krylov approximation
- Lyapunov-based methods
- Balanced truncation algorithms

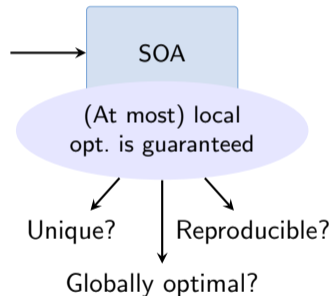
# System identification for autonomous LTI models



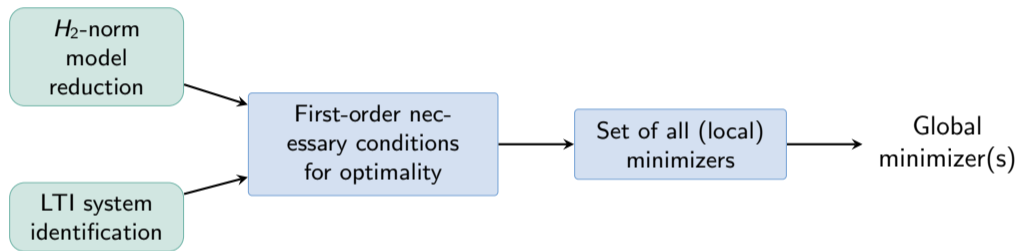
# Nonlinear optimization problem(s)



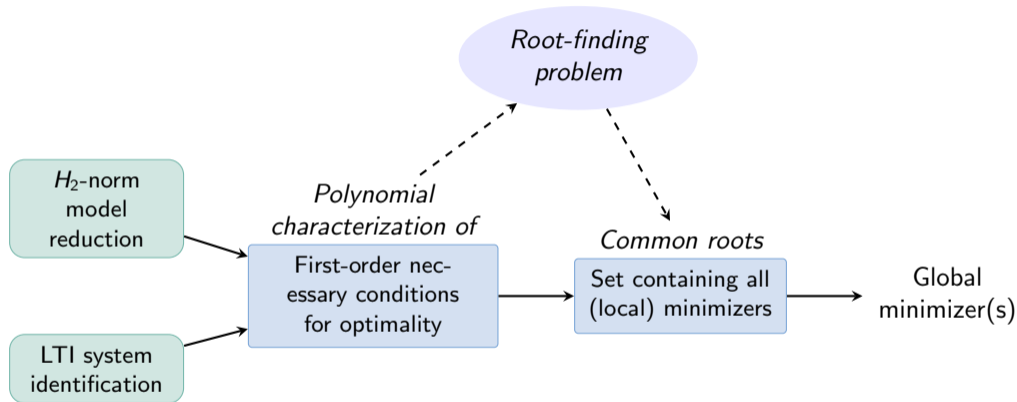
Non-convex  
opt. problem



# Global optimality



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# Model reduction

- Class  $\mathcal{M}$ : minimal, stable, SISO LTI systems.
- Given  $H(s) \in \mathcal{M}$  of order  $n$ ,

$$H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} = \frac{b_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + b_1s + b_0}{s^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_1s + a_0}, \quad (1)$$

find  $\hat{H}(s) \in \mathcal{M}$  of order  $m < n$ ,

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so that  $\hat{H}(s)$  is a 'good approximation' of  $H(s)$ .

- $2n$  unknowns:  $\hat{\mathbf{a}} = (\hat{a}_{m-1}, \dots, \hat{a}_0)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{b}} = (\hat{b}_{m-1}, \dots, \hat{b}_0)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

## $H_2$ -norm model reduction of SISO LTI models

- Minimize  $H_2$ -norm of approximation error  $E(s) = H(s) - \hat{H}(s)$ :

$$\hat{H}(s) \in \underset{\hat{H}(s) \in \mathcal{M}}{\operatorname{argmin}} J^2, \quad (3)$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} J^2 = \|E(s)\|_{H_2}^2 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(j\omega) - \hat{H}(j\omega)|^2 d\omega \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} (h(t) - \hat{h}(t))^2 dt, \end{aligned}$$

with  $h(t)$  and  $\hat{h}(t)$  the impulse responses of  $H(s)$ ,  $\hat{H}(s)$ , respectively.

# Interpolatory conditions for optimality

## Theorem (Meier and Luenberger, 1967)

Given a stable SISO model  $H(s) \in \mathcal{M}$  of order  $n$ , let  $\hat{H}(s)$  of order  $m$  ( $m < n$ ) be a stationary point of the  $H_2$ -norm model reduction problem in (3). Then for all poles  $p_i$  of  $\hat{H}(s)$ ,

$$H(-p_i)^{(j)} = \hat{H}(-p_i)^{(j)}, \quad j = 0, \dots, d_i,$$

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Given a stable SISO model  $H(s) \in \mathcal{M}$  of order  $n$ , let  $\hat{H}(s)$  of order  $m$  with  $m < n$  be a stationary point of the model reduction problem (3). Then for all  $s \in \mathbb{C}$ :

$$H(s) - \hat{H}(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} - \frac{\hat{b}(s)}{\hat{a}(s)} = \left[ \frac{\hat{a}(-s)}{\hat{a}(s)} \right]^2 G(s),$$

with  $G(s)$  the Laplace-transform of some real-valued, stable and causal signal.

# Interpolatory conditions for optimality

## Corollary (Lagauw, Agudelo, et al., 2023)

For any given stable SISO model  $H(s)$  of order  $n$  and  $m$ th order approximant  $\hat{H}(s)$  with  $m < n$  as defined in (1)–(2), define the polynomial,

$$I(s) = b(s)\hat{a}(s) - a(s)\hat{b}(s) - [\hat{a}(-s)]^2 \tilde{G}(s), \quad (4)$$

where  $\tilde{G}(s)$  is a polynomial parametrized in the coefficients  $\mathbf{g} = (g_0, \dots, g_{n-m-1})^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n-m}$ :

$$\tilde{G}(s) = g_{n-m-1}s^{n-m-1} + \dots + g_1s + g_0.$$

Then,  $\hat{H}(s)$  is a stationary point of (3) if and only if,

$$\exists \mathbf{g} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad I(s) = 0, \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{C}.$$

# System of multivariate polynomial equations

- Let  $f_k$  be the coefficient corresponding to  $s^k$  in the polynomial,

$$l(s) = b(s)\hat{a}(s) - a(s)\hat{b}(s) - [\hat{a}(-s)]^2 \tilde{G}(s),$$

and define the algebraic variety,

$$\mathcal{V}_{\mathbb{R}} = \{(\hat{\mathbf{a}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \mathbf{g}) \in \mathbb{R}^{m+n} : f_k(\hat{\mathbf{a}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \mathbf{g}) = 0, \quad \forall k = 0, \dots, m+n-1\}.$$

- If  $\mathcal{V}'_{\mathbb{R}} \subseteq \mathcal{V}_{\mathbb{R}}$  contains the  $(\hat{\mathbf{a}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \mathbf{g}) \in \mathcal{V}_{\mathbb{R}}$  for which  $\hat{H}(s)$  is stable, then  $\mathcal{V}'_{\mathbb{R}}$  contains all minimizers  $\hat{H}(s)$  ✓

- square system of  $m+n$  polynomial equations
- degree of the polynomials is at most *cubic*

## Numerical example I

- Consider the third order model ( $n = 3$ ) used in Agudelo et al., 2021:

$$H(s) = \frac{s^2 + 9s - 10}{s^3 + 12s^2 + 49s + 78}.$$

- For  $m = 1$ , the polynomial  $l(s)$  from (4) is given as,

$$\begin{aligned} l(s) = & \underbrace{(1 - g_1 - \hat{b}_0)}_{f_3} s^3 + \underbrace{(\hat{a}_0 - 12\hat{b}_0 - g_0 + 2\hat{a}_0 g_1 + 9)}_{f_2} s^2 \\ & + \underbrace{(9\hat{a}_0 - 49\hat{b}_0 + 2\hat{a}_0 g_0 - \hat{a}_0^2 g_1 - 10)}_{f_1} s \\ & + \underbrace{(-g_0 \hat{a}_0^2 - 10\hat{a}_0 - 78\hat{b}_0)}_{f_0} 1. \end{aligned}$$

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Strategy: find all  $(\hat{\mathbf{a}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \mathbf{g})$  for which  $l(s) = 0, \forall s \in \mathbb{C}$ "

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 0 = f_3 = 1 - g_1 - \hat{b}_0, \\ 0 = f_2 = \hat{a}_0 - 12\hat{b}_0 - g_0 + 2\hat{a}_0g_1 + 9, \\ 0 = f_1 = 9\hat{a}_0 - 49\hat{b}_0 + 2\hat{a}_0g_0 - \hat{a}_0^2g_1 - 10, \\ 0 = f_0 = -g_0\hat{a}_0^2 - 10\hat{a}_0 - 78\hat{b}_0. \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

- Common roots of (5) contain all stationary points  $\hat{H}(s)$  of (3):

| $J$           | $\hat{a}_0$         | $\hat{b}_0$        | $g_0$               | $g_1$               | stable |
|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 8.9403        | $-4.1639 + 0.9026j$ | $24.930 - 6.5393j$ | $-106.84 - 18.287j$ | $-23.930 + 6.5393j$ | ✗      |
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| 0.3982        | 0.2671              | -0.0437            | 10.349              | 1.0437              | ✓      |
| <b>0.2784</b> | 0.6914              | 9.6796             | 1.2799              | -2.0986             | ✓      |
| 0.5232        | -16.618             | 1.9264             | 0.0576              | -0.9264             | ✗      |



## Numerical example II

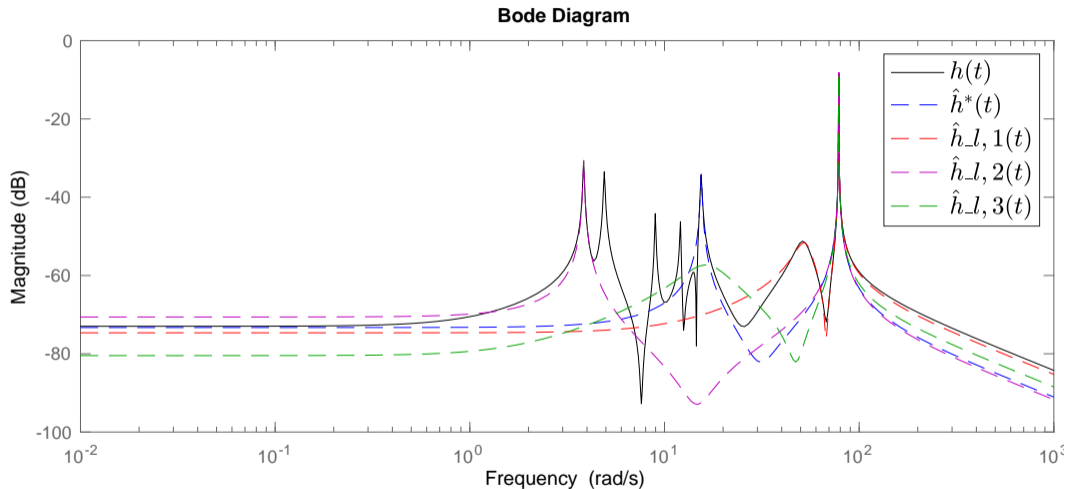
We search for the globally optimal 4th order reduced model ( $m = 4$ ) of the state-space model<sup>1</sup> ( $n = 17$ ) considered in Žigić et al., 1992.

- System of 21 polynomial equations with  $d_{\max} = 3$
- $\mathcal{V}_{\mathbb{R}}$  contains 290 tuples, 69 remain in  $\mathcal{V}'_{\mathbb{R}}$
- Four best-performing stationary points  $\hat{H}(s)$ :

|       | $J$                   | $p_{1,2}$           | $p_{3,4}$           |
|-------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| *     | $9.14 \times 10^{-3}$ | $-0.032 \pm 78.54j$ | $-0.111 \pm 15.43j$ |
| $l_1$ | $9.22 \times 10^{-3}$ | $-0.032 \pm 78.54j$ | $-5.713 \pm 52.57j$ |
| $l_2$ | $1.03 \times 10^{-2}$ | $-0.032 \pm 78.54j$ | $-0.023 \pm 3.842j$ |
| $l_3$ | $1.09 \times 10^{-2}$ | $-0.032 \pm 78.54j$ | $-4.663 \pm 15.88j$ |

<sup>1</sup>The model describes the interaction between a torque activator and a torsional rate sensor for the ACES structure Collins et al., 1991.

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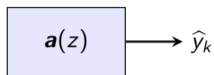
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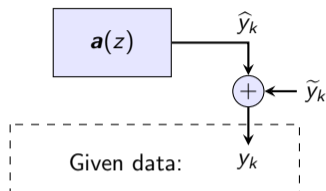
$$\hat{y}_{k+n} + a_1 \hat{y}_{k+n-1} + \dots + a_n \hat{y}_k = 0, \quad \forall k=0, \dots, N-n-1$$

- Kernel representation of *behavior*

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$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{a}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}, l) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2 + l^T \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a \hat{\mathbf{y}},$$

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## Theorem (De Moor, 2020)

The minimal norm misfit  $\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}} \in \mathbb{R}^N$  corresponds to the orth. projection of  $\mathbf{y}$  onto  $\text{row}(\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a)$ ,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a)^T (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a)^T)^{-1} \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a \mathbf{y}.$$

# Least-squares realization

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{a}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2 = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2, \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a \hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{a}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}, l) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2 + l^T \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a \hat{\mathbf{y}},$$

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## Theorem (Lagauw, Vanpoucke, et al., 2024)

If  $\mathbf{a}$  is a (local) minimizer, then  $\exists \mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{R}^{N-2n}$  s.t.,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a)^T (\mathbf{T}_{N-2n}^a)^T \mathbf{g},$$

where  $\mathbf{T}_{N-2n}^a \in \mathbb{R}^{(N-2n) \times (N-n)}$  is a banded Toeplitz matrix defined similarly to the matrix  $\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a \in \mathbb{R}^{(N-n) \times N}$ .



# System of multivariate polynomial equations

- If  $\mathbf{a}$  is a (local) minimizer, then  $\exists \mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{R}^{N-2n}$  s.t.,

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{y}} &= (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top} (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}} (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top})^{-1} \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top} (\mathbf{T}_{N-2n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top} \mathbf{g}. \\ \iff (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}} (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top})^{-1} \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{y} - (\mathbf{T}_{N-2n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top} \mathbf{g} &= \mathbf{0}, \\ \iff \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}} (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top} (\mathbf{T}_{N-2n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top} \mathbf{g} &= \mathbf{0}.\end{aligned}$$

- Define the algebraic variety,

$$\mathcal{V}_{\mathbb{R}} = \{(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{g}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N-n} : \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}} (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top} (\mathbf{T}_{N-2n}^{\mathbf{a}})^{\top} \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{0}\}.$$

→  $\mathcal{V}_{\mathbb{R}}$  contains all minimizers  $\mathbf{a}$  of the identification problem ✓

- square system of  $N-n$  polynomial equations
- degree of the polynomials is at most *quartic*

## Numerical example III

Toy problem from De Moor, 2020

- Find globally optimal first-order ( $n = 1$ ) autonomous LTI realization
- Given output data  $\mathbf{y} = [4, 3, 2, 1]^T$  ( $N = 4$ )

$$\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a (\mathbf{T}_{N-n}^a)^T (\mathbf{T}_{N-2n}^a)^T \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{0},$$
$$\iff \begin{cases} 0 = 4a_1 - 2a_1g_1 - a_1^2g_2 - a_1^3g_1 + 3, \\ 0 = 3a_1 - g_1 - 2a_1g_2 - 2a_1^2g_1 - a_1^3g_2 + 2, \\ 0 = 2a_1 - g_2 - a_1g_1 - 2a_1^2g_2 + 1. \end{cases}$$

- 7 common-roots, one of which in  $\mathcal{V}_{\mathbb{R}}$

| $\ \tilde{\mathbf{y}}\ _2^2$ | $a_1$                | $g_1$                 | $g_2$                 |
|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>0.1486</b>                | -0.6764              | -0.2525               | -0.2734               |
| /                            | $-0.1589 \mp 0.808j$ | $1.3577 \pm 3.8194j$  | $1.8359 \pm 3.3491j$  |
| /                            | $0.4209 \pm 0.6233j$ | $3.0425 \mp 2.9959j$  | $-0.0785 \pm 1.2013j$ |
| /                            | $1.3261 \pm 2.0058j$ | $-0.2739 \mp 0.6279j$ | $0.3793 \mp 0.3849j$  |

## Numerical Example IV

- Find globally optimal first-order ( $n = 2$ ) autonomous LTI realization
- Given output data<sup>2</sup>  $\mathbf{y}$  ( $N = 16$ ),

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}_{3\text{rd}} + 0.05 * \text{randn}(N, 1),$$

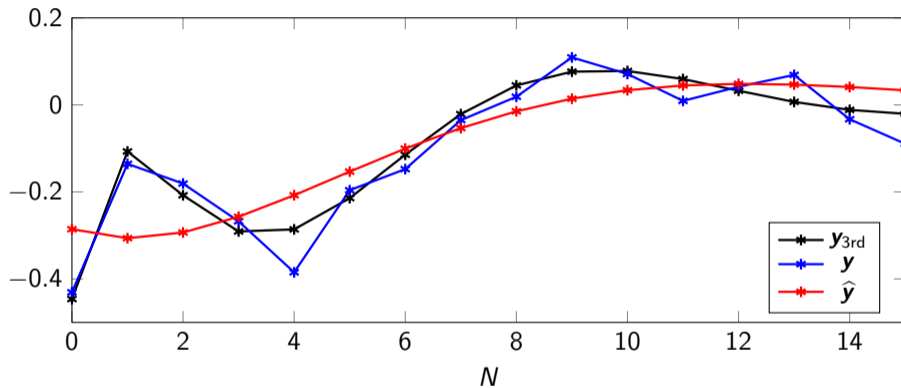
where  $\mathbf{y}_{3\text{rd}}$  is generated by a third-order autonomous LTI model with poles  $(0.2, 0.7 \pm 0.4j)$

- 739 affine common-roots, 9 of which are real-valued.

| $\ \tilde{\mathbf{y}}\ _2^2$ | $a_1$    | $a_2$    | $p_1$              | $p_2$              |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>0.1327</b>                | -1.6255  | 0.7167   | $0.8127 + 0.2369j$ | $0.8127 - 0.2369j$ |
| 0.1514                       | -0.0752  | -0.5850  | 0.8033             | -0.7282            |
| 0.1606                       | -14.076  | 10.433   | 13.291             | 0.7849             |
| 0.5386                       | -0.7127  | 1.8381   | $0.3564 + 1.3081j$ | $0.3564 - 1.3081j$ |
| $\vdots$                     | $\vdots$ | $\vdots$ | $\vdots$           | $\vdots$           |
| 0.5492                       | -1.3053  | 1.0564   | $0.6527 + 0.7940j$ | $0.6527 - 0.7940j$ |

<sup>2</sup>The considered instance of  $\mathbf{y}$  has  $\|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2 = 0.5509$ .

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What should we learn from these examples?

- Systems of polynomial equations from applications are *sparse*
  - Systems of polynomial equations from applications are *structured*
  - Particular interest in the *real-valued* common-roots
  - Solving systems of polynomial equations is useful!
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