Least Squares Projection Onto the Behavior for SISO LTI Models 20th IFAC Symposium on System Identification (SYSID) - Boston (MA), USA

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• Model params:
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• Normalization $(a_0 = 1)$





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• Generalizes results earlier results on autonomous models to the SISO case:

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• alternatively, express $\widehat{oldsymbol{w}}\perp \widetilde{oldsymbol{w}}$ in the z-domain,

$$\langle \frac{b(z)}{a(z)}\widehat{U}(z),\widetilde{Y}(z)\rangle + \langle \widehat{U}(z),\widetilde{U}(z)\rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z|=1} \left[\widetilde{Y}(z)\frac{b(z^{-1})}{a(z^{-1})} + \widetilde{U}(z)\right]\widehat{U}(z^{-1})\mathrm{d}z = 0$$

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• **Isometric** behavioral state-space recurrence relations:

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• (N - n)-dimensional subspace:

$$\mathbb{R}^{2N} = \underbrace{(\mathsf{range}(\boldsymbol{H}) \oplus \mathsf{range}(\boldsymbol{\Gamma}))}_{\mathsf{behavior}} \oplus \underbrace{\mathsf{range}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{H}}\boldsymbol{Z}\right)}_{\mathsf{misfits}}.$$

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Structured misfits

State-space equivalent

Context & future work







- LS-criterion induces orthogonal decomposition of ambient space
- Minimal misfits can be expressed in terms of the model parameters via an orth. projection
- Misfits are heavily structured
- Two alternative yet equivalent frameworks: state-space vs. input-output





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How to generalize these globally optimal approaches from autonomous to SISO models?



Questions?





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