# Lecture 7b

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# System Identification for Deterministic Systems

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- Modeling from data: a language;
- The Most Powerful Unfalsified Model;
- Modeling discrete-time data;
- ► The Hankel matrix;
- Annihilators;
- Recursive computation of the MPUM;
- State models from data.



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a discrete-time phenomenon



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**Example: Linear models** 

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**Existence? Uniqueness? Representations? Algorithms?** 





#### **Example:** Consider

$$\mathscr{U} = \mathbb{R}^n$$
  
 $\mathscr{M} =$ Linear subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ 

#### **Given measurements**

$$D = \{w_1, \cdots, w_k\}$$

MPUM is

**span** 
$$\{w_i \mid i = 1, \cdots, k\}$$

the intersection of all subspaces containing ( $\equiv$  unfalsified by) data.

**The intersection property** 

#### **Theorem:** Assume that *M* satisfies

**The intersection property** i.e.

$$\mathscr{M}' \subset \mathscr{M} \Longrightarrow \left(\bigcap_{\mathscr{B} \in \mathscr{M}'} \mathscr{B}\right) \in \mathscr{M}$$

For each  $D \in 2^{\mathscr{U}}$  there exists  $\mathscr{B} \in \mathscr{M}$  such that  $D \subseteq \mathscr{B}$ . Then for each D there exists a unique MPUM  $\mathscr{B}^*$ , namely

$$\mathscr{B}^* := igcap_{\mathscr{B} \in \mathscr{M}, \ D \subseteq \mathscr{B}} \mathscr{B}$$



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Any unfalsified model is shift-invariant: must contain

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**Constant along the block-antidiagonal: Hankel structure** 

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Special case w = 2 leads to **Bézout equation** 

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**Behavioral interpretation:** If  $\mathscr{B} := \ker R(\sigma)$  is controllable, then there exists  $\mathscr{B}' := \ker E(\sigma)$  such that

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