

SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION

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Lecture 1

Perspective on System Identification

Topics to be covered include:

- ❖ Introduction.
- ❖ System Identification.
- ❖ Place System Identification on the global map. Who are our neighbors in this part of universe?
- ❖ The system identification procedure.
- ❖ Prerequisites.
- ❖ An Example of System Identification.
- ❖ References.

Some Definitions

System: An object in which variables of different kinds interact and produce observable signals.

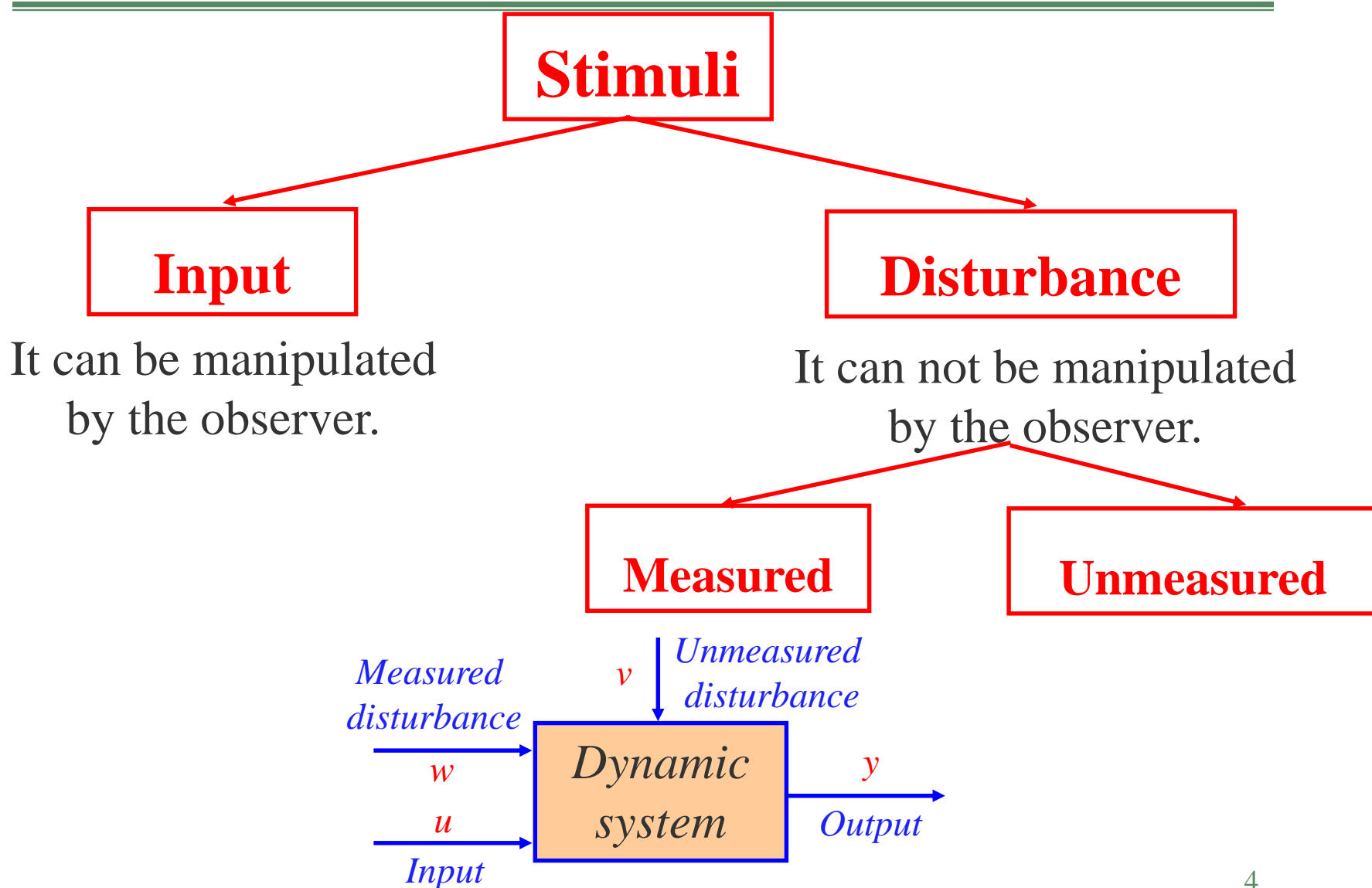
Stimuli: External signals that affects system.

Static System: A system that the current output value depends only on the current external stimuli.

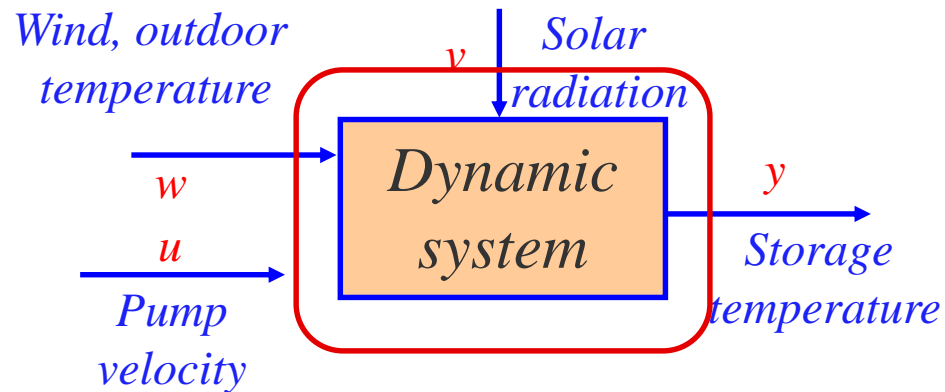
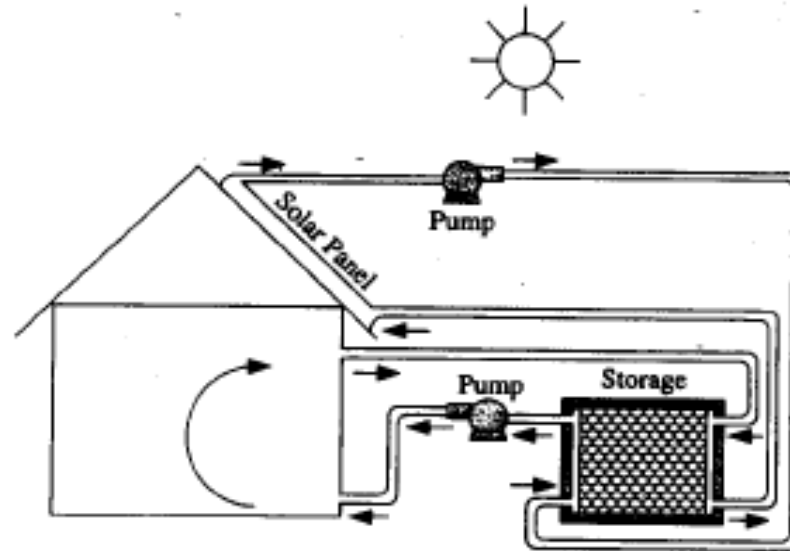
Dynamic System: A system that the current output value depends not only on the current external stimuli but also on their earlier value.

Time series: A dynamic system whose external stimuli are not observed.

Dynamic systems

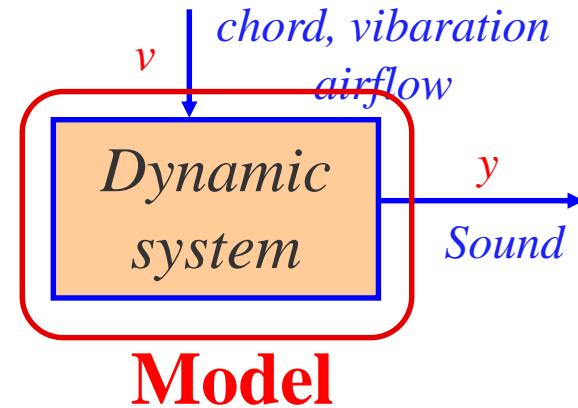
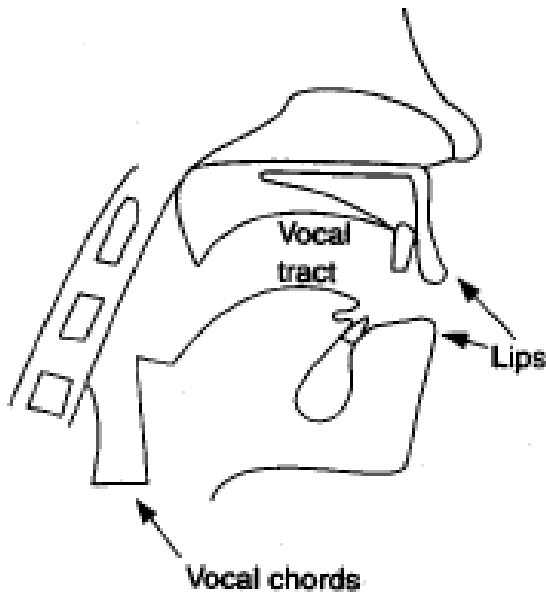


A solar heated house



Model

Speech generation



Time series: A dynamic system whose external stimuli are not observed.

Models

Model:

A simplified representation of a limited part of reality with related elements.

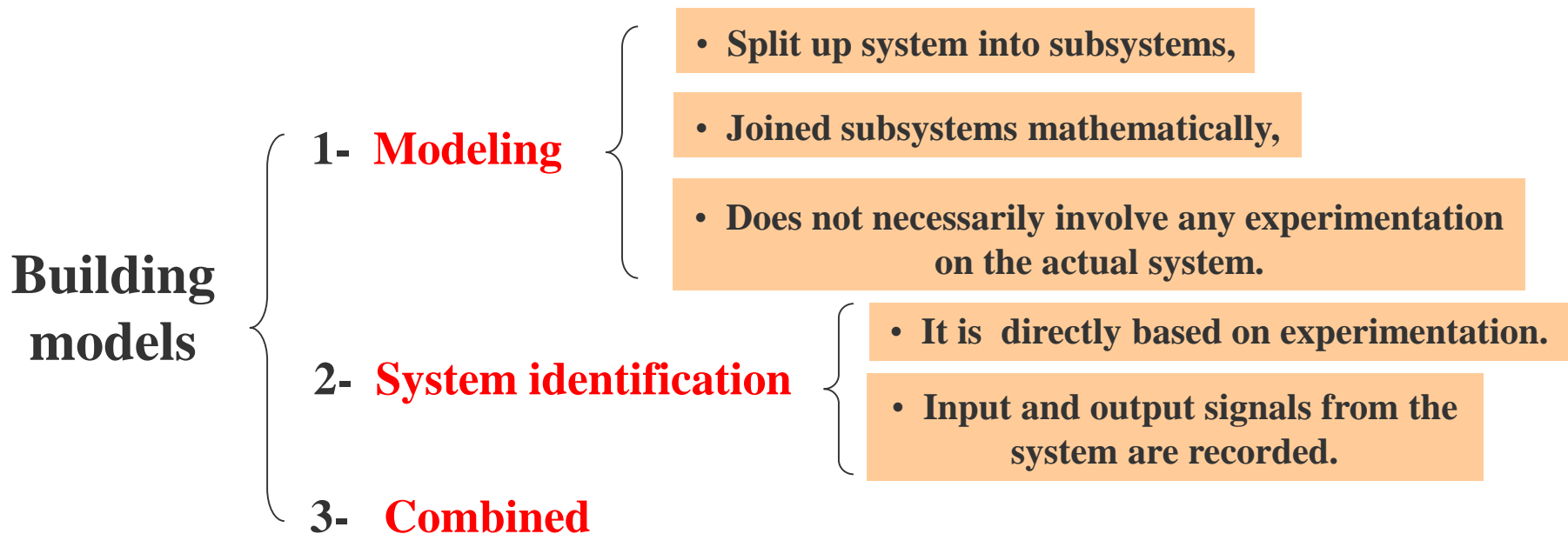
A relevant system description from observed data.

Why we need model:

- ❖ Controller design.
- ❖ System simulation.
- ❖ Prediction.
- ❖ State predictor.
- ❖ Fault detection.

Models

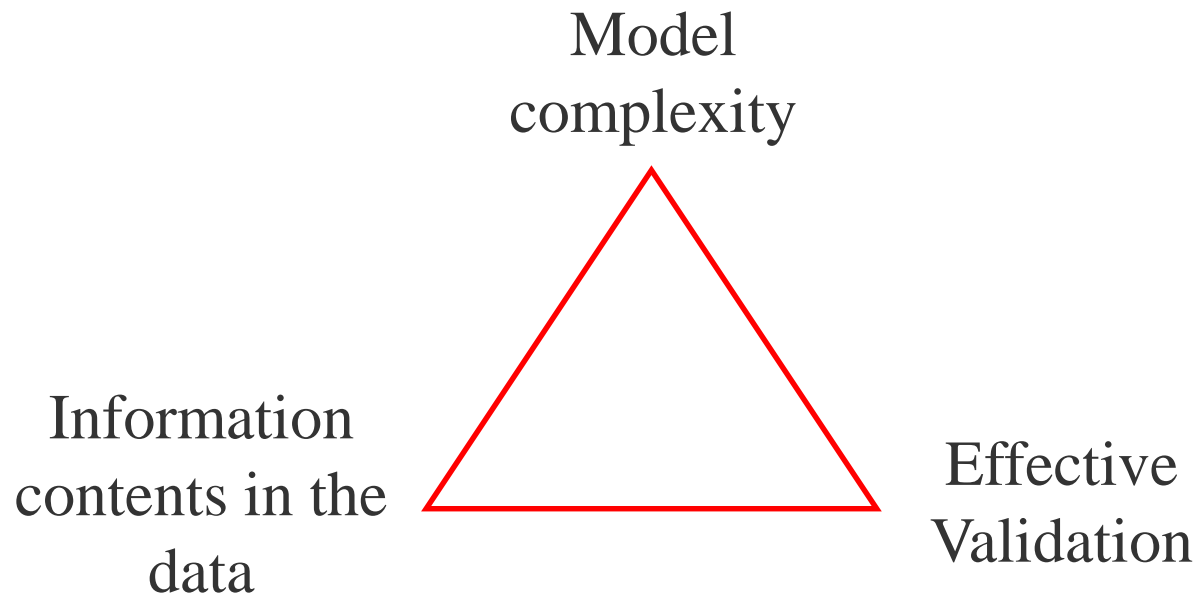
Model: Relationship among observed signals.



System Identification

System Identification: The art and science of building mathematical models of dynamic systems from observed input-output data.

System Identification is look for **sustainable description** by **proper decision** on:



The fiction of a true model

The real-life actual system is an object of a **different** kind than our mathematical models.

Our acceptance of models should thus be guided by **“usefulness”** rather than **“truth”**.

Nevertheless, we shall occasionally use a concept of **“the true system”**

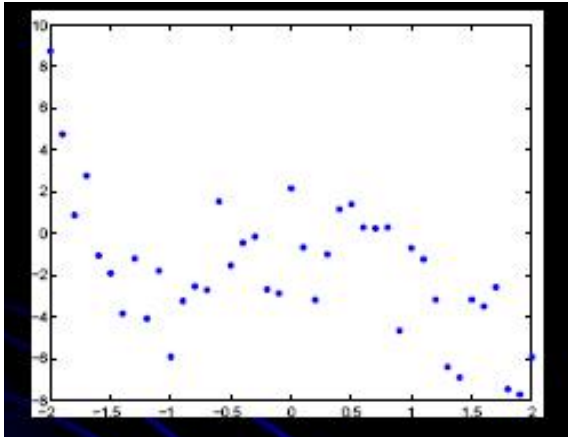
The Core

The Core: The core of estimating models is statistical theory.

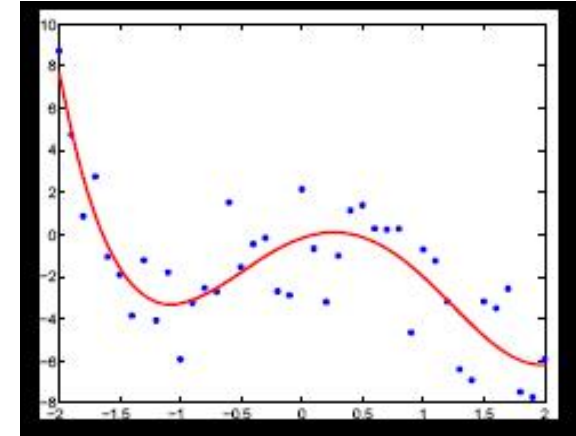
- Model: m
- True Description: S
- Model Class: M
- Complexity (Flexibility): C
- Information: Z
- Estimation
- Validation
- Model Fit: $F(m, Z)$

Estimation

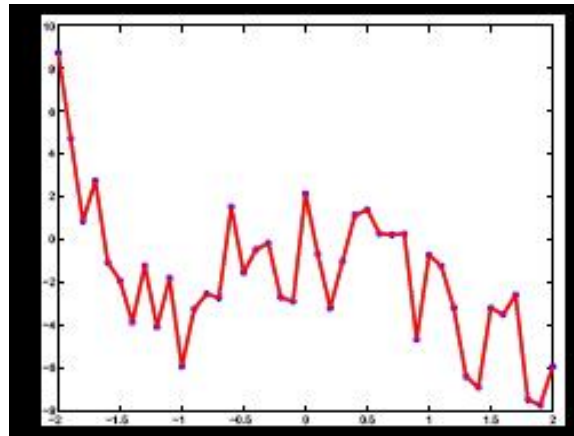
A template problem: Curve fitting



Squeeze out the
relevant information
in data.



No more satisfaction



All data contains signal and noise.

Estimation

The simplest explanation is usually the correct one. So the conceptual process for estimation is:

$$\hat{m} = \arg \min_{m \in M} [F(m, Z_e^N) + h(C(m), N)]$$

Fit measure

good agreement with data

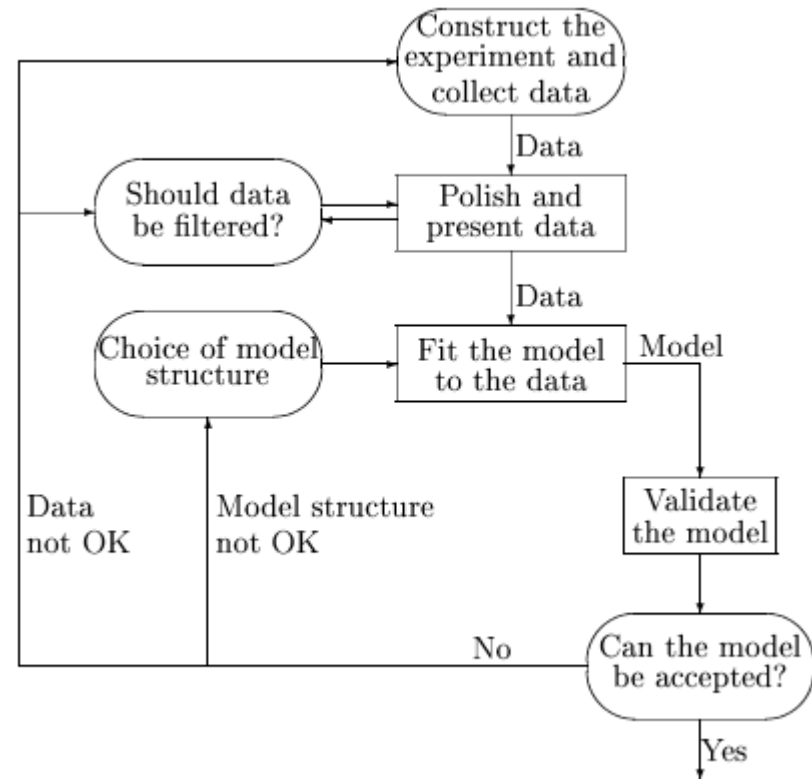
Complexity measure

not too complex

\hat{m} is a random variable since of irrelevant part of data (noise).

The System Identification Problem

- 1- Select an input signal to apply to the process.
- 2- Collect the corresponding output data.
- 3- Scrutinize the corresponding output data to find out if some preprocessing ...
- 4- Specify a model structure.
- 5- Find the best model in this structure.
- 6- Evaluate the property of model.
- 7- If the model is not adequate, go to step 4 or 3 or 1.



The System Identification Problem

1- Choice of Input Signals.

- Filtered Gaussian White Noise.
- Pseudo Random Binary Noise, PRBS.
- Chirp Signals or Swept Sinusoids.
- Random Binary Noise.
- Multi-Sines.
- Periodic Inputs.

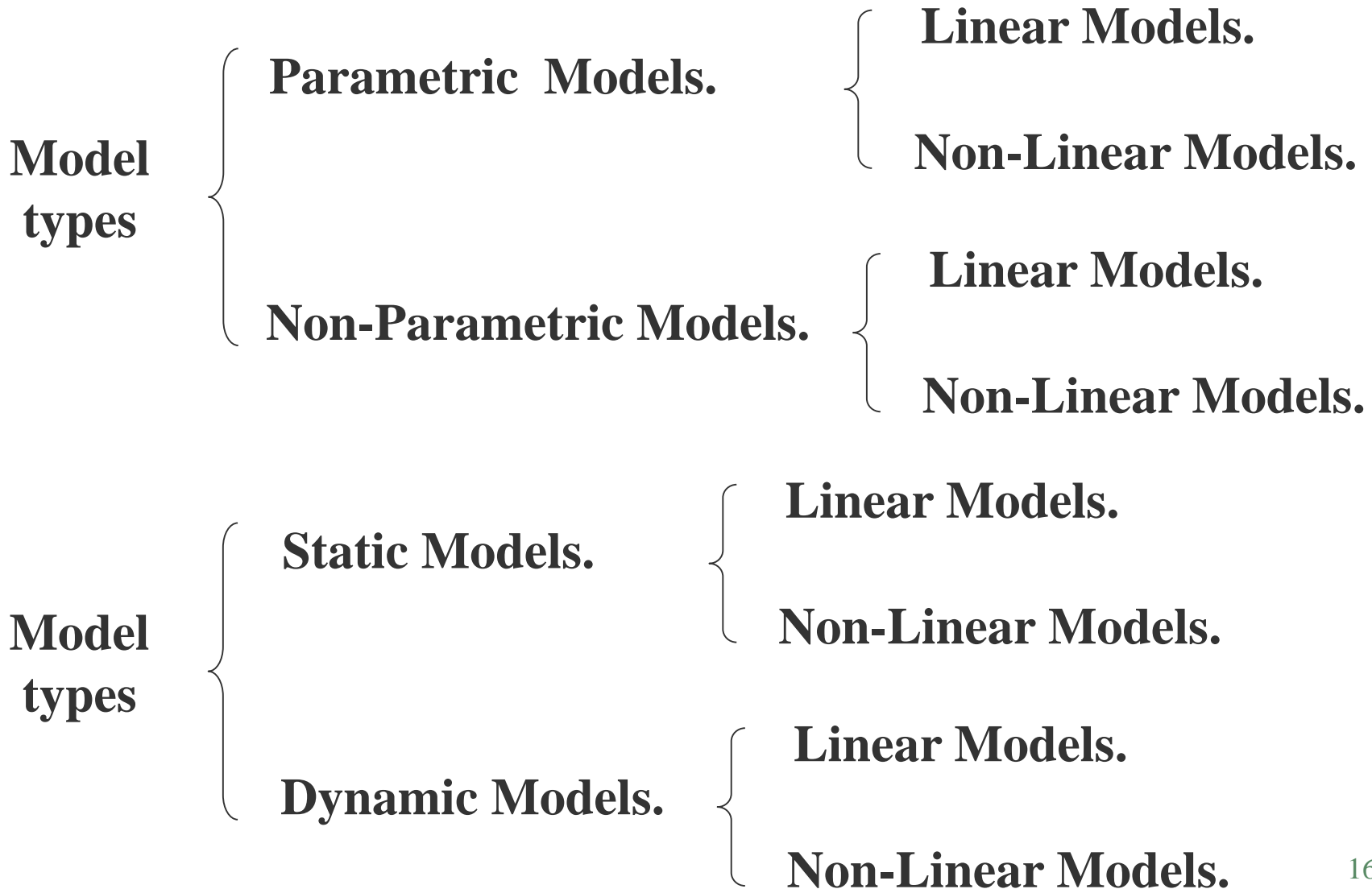
2- Preprocessing Data.

- Drifts and Detrending.
- Prefiltering.

3- Selecting Model Structures.

- Looking at the Data.
- Examining the Difficulties.
- Accepting the Models .
- Getting a Feel for the Difficulties.
- Fine Tuning Orders and Noise Structures .

Model Structures



ARX as a Parametric Linear Models

AR part (Auto Regressive)

Input-Output relationship.

$$y(t) + a_1 y(t-1) + \dots + a_{n_a} y(t-n_a) = b_1 u(t-1) + \dots + b_{n_b} u(t-n_b) + e(t)$$

Adjustable parameters in this case are

$$\theta = [a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_{n_a} \ b_1 \ b_2 \ \dots \ b_{n_b}]^T$$

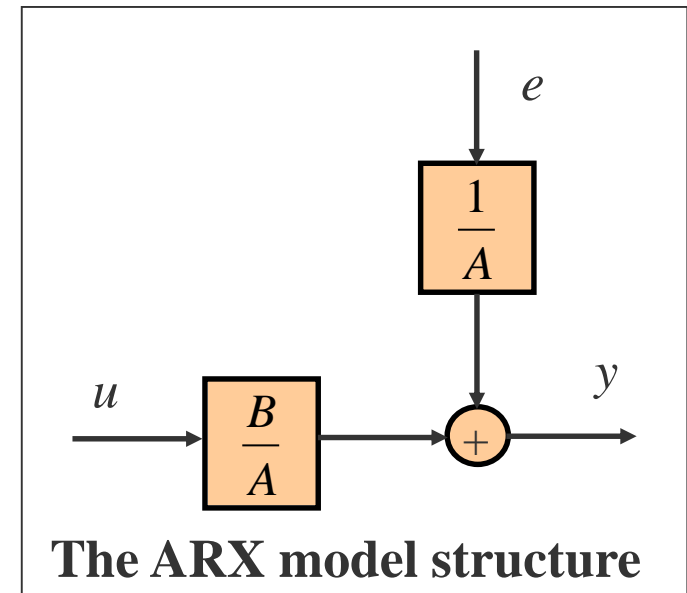
X part (eXogenous)

ARX model

Define

$$A(q) = 1 + a_1 q^{-1} + \dots + a_{n_a} q^{-n_a}$$

$$B(q) = b_1 q^{-1} + \dots + b_{n_b} q^{-n_b}$$



The Communities around the core

System Identification.

- 1- Statistics. ML Methods, Bootstrap method,...
- 2- Econometrics and time series analysis.
- 3- Statistical learning theory.
- 4- Machine learning.
- 5- Manifold learning.
- 6- Chemo metrics.
- 7- Data Mining.
- 8- Artificial Neural Network.
- 9- Fitting Ordinary Differential Equation to Data.

Prerequisites

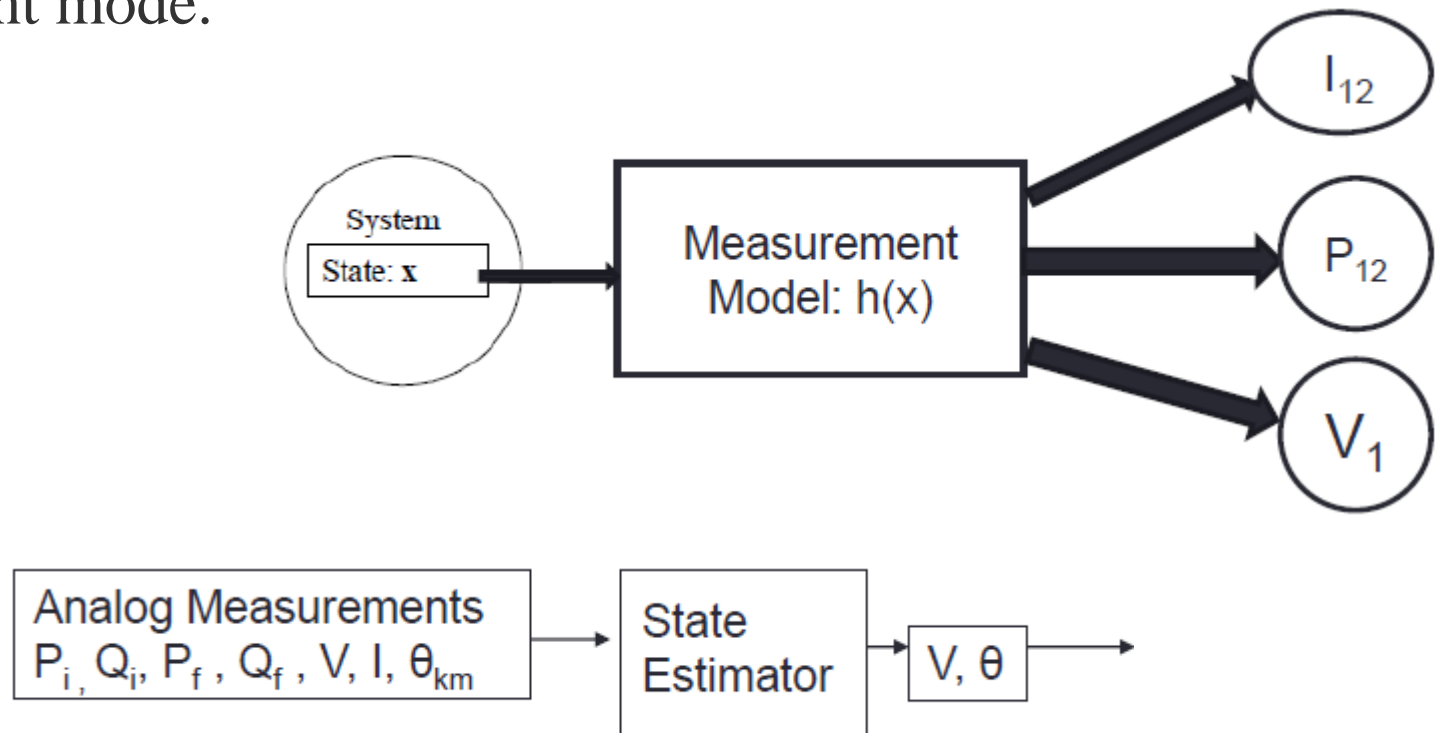
- 1- Linear algebra.
- 2- Statistics fundamentals.
- 3- Stochastic Process.
- 4- Matlab Software.

An examples in the field of system Identification

Power System State Estimation

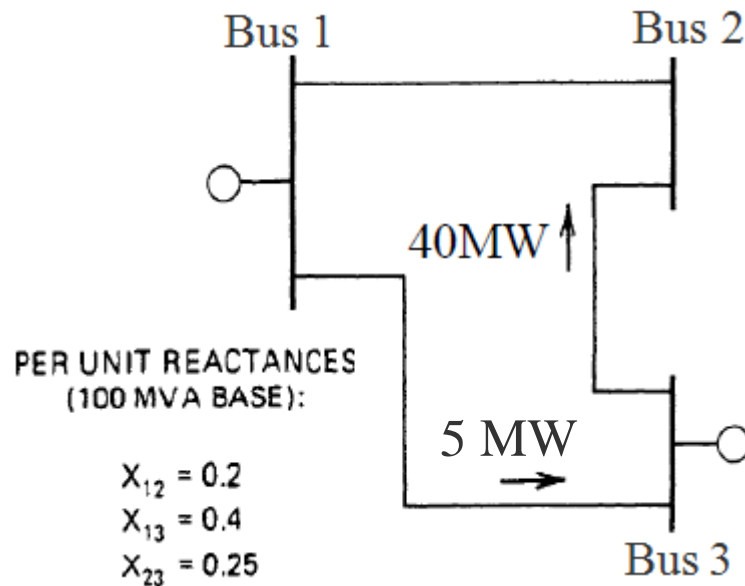
The state (x) is defined as the voltage magnitude and angle at each bus.

All variables of interest can be calculated from the state and the measurement mode.



An examples in the field of system Identification

Power System State Estimation



Let $\theta_3 = 0$ rad

$$P_{32} = \frac{|V_3||V_2|}{X_{23}} \sin(\theta_3 - \theta_2)$$

$$0.4 = \frac{1}{0.25} (\theta_3 - \theta_2)$$

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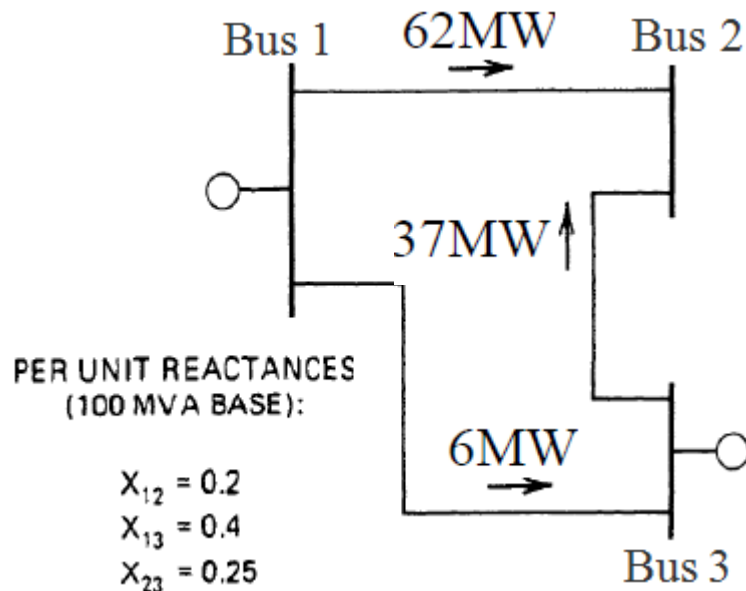
$$\theta_1 = 0.02 \text{ rad}$$

$$\theta_2 = -0.10 \text{ rad}$$

$$\theta_3 = 0 \text{ rad}$$

An examples in the field of system Identification

Power System State Estimation



1- Noisy measurement.

$$\theta_1 = 0.024 \text{ rad}$$

$$\theta_2 = -0.0925 \text{ rad}$$

$$\theta_3 = 0 \text{ rad}$$

$$P_{12} = 58.25 \text{ MW}$$

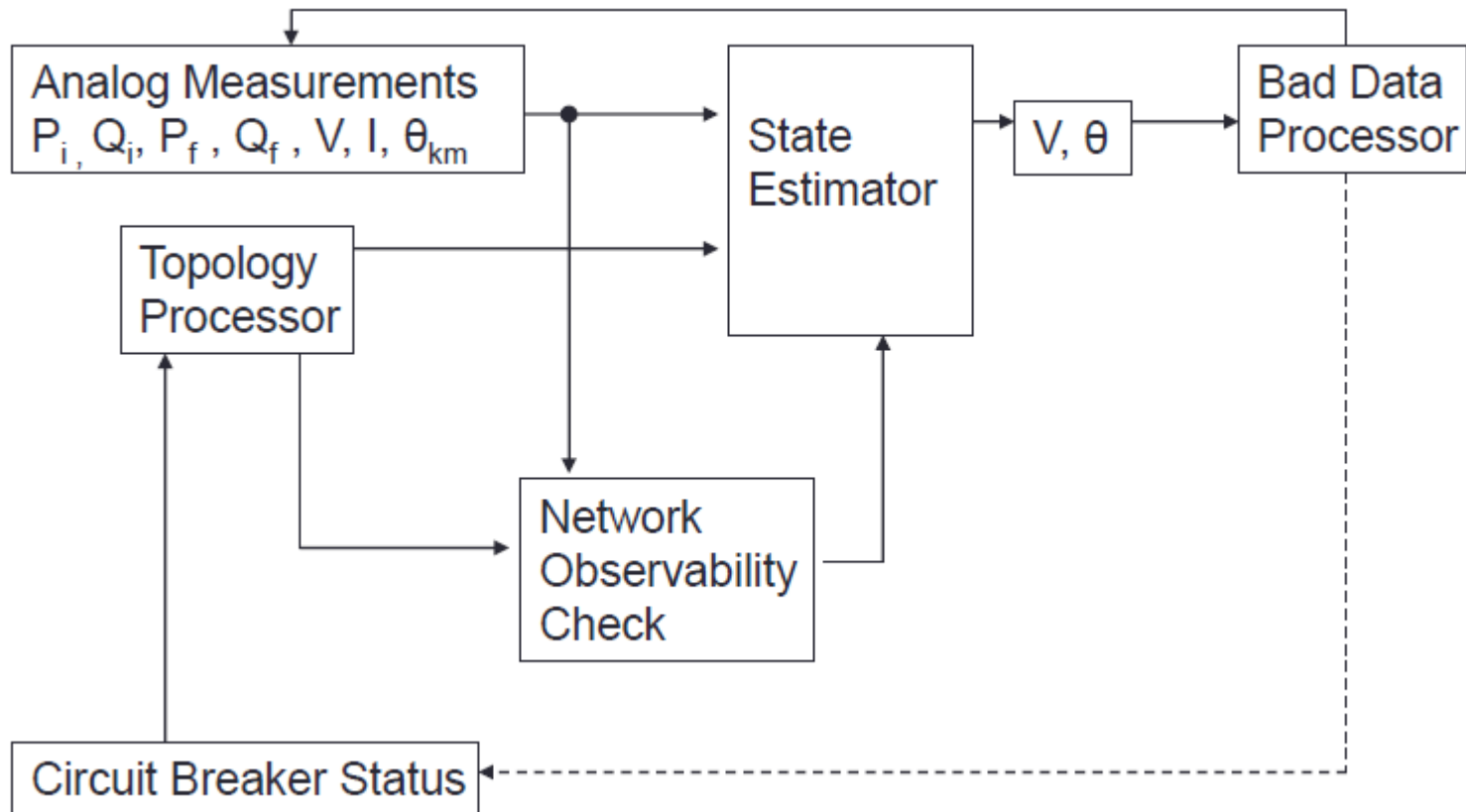
2- More Measurement.

Better estimation method ?

Bad data processor ?

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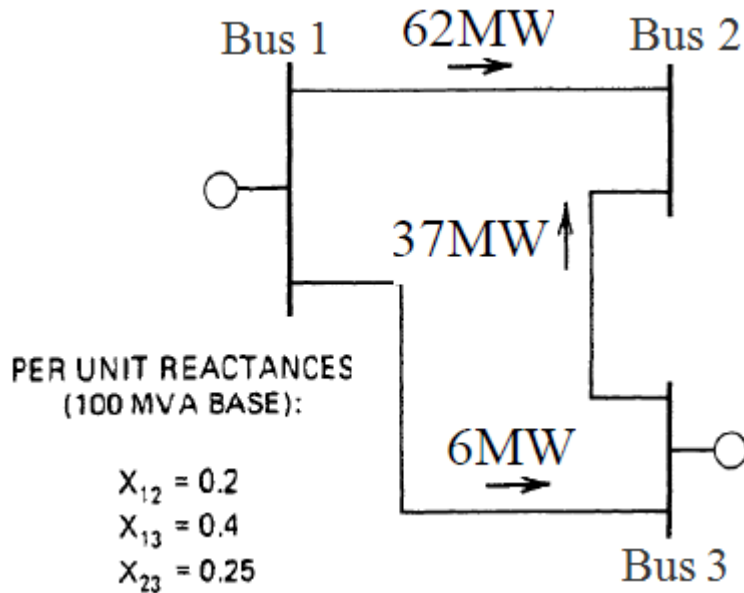
Power System State Estimation



An examples in the field of system Identification

Power System State Estimation

Better estimation method ?



$$P_{12} = \frac{1}{0.2} (\theta_1 - \theta_2) \quad P_{12} = 5\theta_1 - 5\theta_2$$

$$P_{32} = \frac{1}{0.25} (0 - \theta_2) \quad P_{32} = -4\theta_2$$

$$P_{13} = \frac{1}{0.4} (\theta_1 - 0) \quad P_{13} = 2.5\theta_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_{12} \\ P_{32} \\ P_{13} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -5 \\ 0 & -4 \\ 2.5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = \varphi\theta$$

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Linear regression

$$\begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0286 \\ -0.0943 \end{bmatrix}$$

An Example of System Identification method

Perhaps the most basic relationship between the input and output is the linear difference equation

$$y(t) + a_1 y(t-1) + \dots + a_n y(t-n) = b_1 u(t-1) + \dots + b_m u(t-m)$$

$$y(t) = -a_1 y(t-1) + \dots - a_n y(t-n) + b_1 u(t-1) + \dots + b_m u(t-m)$$

$$y(t) = \varphi^T(t) \theta$$

Linear regression

Where

$$\theta = [a_1 \quad \dots \quad a_n \quad b_1 \quad \dots \quad b_m]^T$$

$$\varphi(t) = [-y(t-1) \quad \dots \quad -y(t-n) \quad u(t-1) \quad \dots \quad +u(t-m)]^T$$

$$\hat{y}(t|\theta) = \varphi^T(t) \theta$$

Least Square Method

Suppose that **we don't know the value of parameters θ** , but the recorded input and output over a time interval $1 \leq t \leq N$ is:

$$\mathbf{Z}^N = \{u(1), y(1), \dots, u(N), y(N)\}$$

Now define:

$$V_N(\theta, \mathbf{Z}^N) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N (y(t) - \hat{y}(t | \theta))^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N (y(t) - \varphi^T(t) \theta)^2$$

$$\hat{\theta}_N = \arg \min_{\theta} V_N(\theta, \mathbf{Z}^N)$$

$$0 = \frac{d}{d\theta} V_N(\theta, \mathbf{Z}^N) = \frac{2}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N \varphi(t) (y(t) - \varphi^T(t) \theta)$$

$$\sum_{t=1}^N \varphi(t) y(t) = \sum_{t=1}^N \varphi(t) \varphi^T(t) \theta$$

$$\hat{\theta}_N = \left[\sum_{t=1}^N \varphi(t) \varphi^T(t) \right]^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^N \varphi(t) y(t)$$

First order difference equation

Consider the simple model

$$y(t) + ay(t-1) = bu(t-1)$$

Then

$$\hat{\theta}_N = \left[\sum_{t=1}^N \varphi(t) \varphi^T(t) \right]^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^N \varphi(t) y(t)$$

Now we have

$$\varphi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -y(t-1) \\ u(t-1) \end{bmatrix} \quad \varphi(t)^T = [-y(t-1) \quad u(t-1)]$$

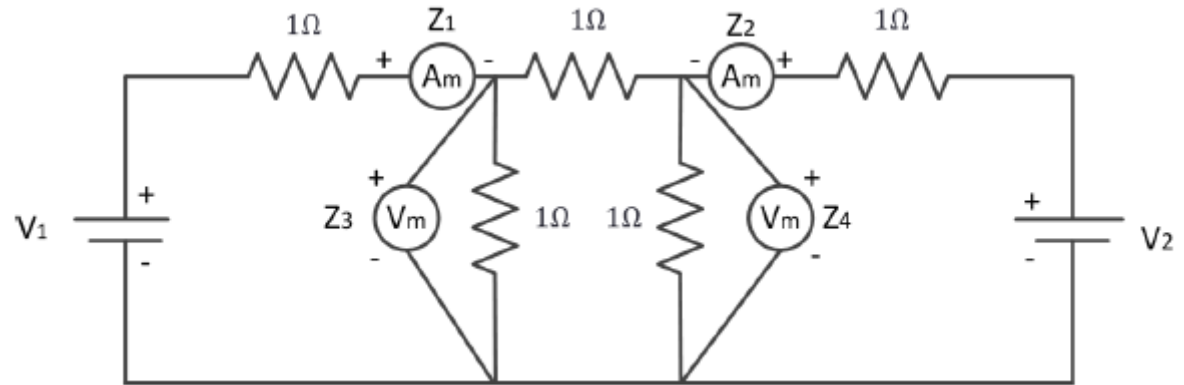
$$\varphi(t) \varphi(t)^T = \begin{bmatrix} y^2(t-1) & -y(t-1)u(t-1) \\ -y(t-1)u(t-1) & u^2(t-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varphi(t) y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -y(t)y(t-1) \\ y(t)u(t-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_N = \begin{bmatrix} \sum y^2(t-1) & -\sum y(t-1)u(t-1) \\ -\sum y(t-1)u(t-1) & \sum u^2(t-1) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -\sum y(t)y(t-1) \\ \sum y(t)u(t-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

Exercises

Exercise 1-1: Consider following system:



Consider the meter reading as $Z_1=9.01$ A, $Z_2=3.02$ A, $Z_3=6.98$ V and $Z_4=5.01$ V.

a) Derive Z_1 , Z_2 , Z_3 and Z_4 according to V_1 and V_2 .

b) Derive V_1 and V_2 .

c) Derive Z_1 , Z_2 , Z_3 and Z_4 from part “a” and compare with measured value.

d) Discuss the situation that a measurement is too noisy.

Exercises

Exercise 1-2: Suppose the value of input and output of a system for $t=1$ to 6 u are:

$$u = [2 \ 3 \ 2 \ 5 \ 3 \ 7]^T \quad y = [-23 \ 48 \ -93 \ 188 \ -371 \ 745]^T$$

a) Consider the model of system as follows and derive model parameters ($\hat{\theta}_N$).

$$y(t) + ay(t-1) = bu(t-1)$$

b) Check the validity of model.

c) Consider the model of system as follows and derive model parameters ($\hat{\theta}_N$). Discuss the results!

$$y(t) + a_1 y(t-1) + a_2 y(t-2) = b_1 u(t-1) + b_2 u(t-2)$$

Exercises

Exercise 1-3: Consider following system.

$$y(t) + ay(t-1) = bu(t-1) + e(t)$$

Suppose the value of input of the system for $t=1$ to 14 is:

$$u = [2 \quad 3 \quad 2 \quad 5 \quad 3 \quad 7 \quad 0 \quad 2 \quad -1 \quad -5 \quad 5 \quad 3 \quad 2 \quad 3]^T$$

Let $e(t)$ as a noise.

- Consider a and b by yourself and let $e(t)$ as a noise (between -1 and 1) derive $y(t)$.
- Derive model parameters ($\hat{\theta}_N$).
- Check the validity of the model.
- Repeat parts a, b and c and discuss (Same parameters and different noise and noise level).

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