

# IIA2217 System Identification and Optimal Estimation

## 1 Finite Impulse Response (FIR) models

### 1.1 Theory on Finite Impulse Response (FIR) models

Consider a standard discrete time linear state space model as follows

$$x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k, \quad (1)$$

$$y_k = Dx_k, \quad (2)$$

and the discrete transfer function model equivalent

$$qx_k = Ax_k + Bu_k, \quad (3)$$

$$y_k = Dx_k, \quad (4)$$

i.e., such that  $q$  is the shift operator such that  $qx_k = x_{k+1}$  and  $q^{-1}x_k = x_{k-1}$ . Hence, we have the transfer function input-output polynomial model

$$y_k = H(q)u_k, \quad (5)$$

where the transfer matrix can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} H(q) &= D(qI - A)^{-1}B \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} DA^{i-1}Bq^{-i} = DBq^{-1} + DABq^{-2} + DA^2Bq^{-3} + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

This gives rise to a truncated input and output FIR model as follows

$$\begin{aligned} y_k &= h_1u_{k-1} + h_2u_{k-2} + h_3u_{k-3} + \dots + h_Mu_{k-M} \\ &= DC_Mu_{k-M|M}, \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

where

$$h_i = DA^{i-1}B \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, M \quad (8)$$

are the impulse responses of the system and  $M$  is the number of terms in the FIR model.  $M$  is also defined as the model horizon.

Here we have defined the *reversed extended controllability* matrix,  $C_M^d$ , for the pair  $(A, B)$  is defined as

$$C_M^d \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [ A^{M-1}B \quad A^{M-2}B \quad \dots \quad B ] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times ir}, \quad (9)$$

where the subscript  $i = M$  denotes the number of block columns.

By putting  $k := k + M$  in Eq. (7) we obtain the linear regression model

$$\begin{aligned} y_{k+M} &= h_1 u_{k+M-1} + h_2 u_{k+M-2} + h_3 u_{k+M-3} + \dots + h_M u_k \\ &= DC_M u_{k|M}, \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Assume  $N > 1$  known input and output data vectors, i.e.,  $u_k$  and  $y_k$  for the time instants  $\forall k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ .

Using the time instants  $k = 1, 2, \dots, N - M$  in Eq. (10) gives the linear regression model

$$Y_{M+1|1} = \overbrace{DC_M}^{\Theta} U_{1|M}, \quad (11)$$

where

$$Y_{M+1|1} = [ y_{M+1} \quad y_{M+2} \quad \dots \quad y_N ] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (N-M)}, \quad (12)$$

$$U_{1|M} = [ u_{1|M} \quad u_{2|M} \quad \dots \quad u_{N-M|M} ] \in \mathbb{R}^{rM \times (N-M)}. \quad (13)$$

**Example 1.1** Given  $N = 10$  and  $M = 3$ . We then have the following linear regression model

$$Y_{4|1} = \Theta U_{1|3}, \quad (14)$$

where the parameter matrix  $\Theta = DC_M$  of impulse response matrices are given by

$$\Theta = DC_3 = [ DA^2B \quad DAB \quad DB ] = [ h_3 \quad h_2 \quad h_1 ]. \quad (15)$$

The data matrices  $Y_{4|1}$  and  $U_{1|3}$  are given by

$$Y_{4|1} = [ y_4 \quad y_5 \quad y_6 \quad y_7 \quad y_8 \quad y_9 \quad y_{10} ] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (N-M)}, \quad (16)$$

and

$$U_{1|3} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 & u_4 & u_5 & u_6 & u_7 \\ u_2 & u_3 & u_4 & u_5 & u_6 & u_7 & u_8 \\ u_3 & u_4 & u_5 & u_6 & u_7 & u_8 & u_9 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{rM \times (N-M)}, \quad (17)$$

As we see, all relevant data are used in the linear regression model Eq. (14) with data matrices as in Eqs. (16)-(17). We also see that input  $u_{10}$  are not used. The reason is that in a dynamic model as in Eqs. (1) and (2) the input at time instant  $k$  are influencing the output at time  $k+1$ , and output  $y_{11}$  are not used. In order to also use the input  $u_k$  at time instant  $k = 10$  the direct feed-through term  $y_k = Eu_k$  should be included in the regression model but it is not an option here.