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6.435 System Identification

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Problem Set No. 4

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**Reading:** Chapters 7,8.

Do the following problems from Ljung's book:

- a. 7G.1
- b. 7G.2 (part a)
- c. 7G.7
- d. 7E.2
- e. 7E.3
- f. 7E.4
- g. 7C.1 (a,b)

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**Problem 2:** The aim of this problem is to derive a discrete state space representation starting from input output data for SISO systems.

- Given an impulse response function  $\{h_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  (notice  $h_0 = 0$ ) which are alternatively known as markov parameters, and two integers  $\alpha, \beta$ , the Hankel matrix is defined as:

$$H(k-1) = \begin{bmatrix} h_k & h_{k+1} & \dots & h_{k+\beta-1} \\ h_{k+1} & h_{k+2} & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ h_{k+\alpha-1} & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

- Prove that if the underlying system is of degree  $n$  then the rank of the hankel matrix cannot exceed  $n$ . Also show that for some  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  the hankel matrix will have rank  $n$ . Note that we are talking about the noise free case here.

- Let  $H(0) = R\Sigma S^T$  be the s.v.d of  $H(0)$ . Suppose  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_n & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , we can rewrite  $H(0) = R_n \Sigma_n S_n^T$ , where  $R_n$  and  $S_n$  are formed by first  $n$  columns of  $R$  and  $S$  respectively. Prove that the a state space realization of the above system has:

$$\hat{A} = \Sigma_n^{-1/2} R_n^T H(1) S_n \Sigma_n^{-1/2} \quad (1)$$

$$\hat{B} = \Sigma_n^{1/2} S_n^T E_r \quad (2)$$

$$\hat{C} = E_m^T R_n \Sigma_n^{1/2} \quad (3)$$

where  $r, m$  are number of inputs and outputs respectively and  $E_j^T = [I_j, O_j, \dots]$  where  $I_j$  is the identity matrix of order  $j$  and  $O_j$  is a null matrix of order  $j$ . Note that in the case of noisy data the matrix  $H(0)$  in general will have full rank in which case we can remove small singular values to obtain a lower order system. (Hint: There exists some realization which generates the impulse response.)

- Let  $y = Gu + e$ , where  $G = \frac{q^{-1}}{1-0.6q^{-1}}$ ,  $e \equiv N(0, 1)$  and  $u = \sum \cos(k\pi/4)$ .

- Spectral estimation generally generates a smooth frequency response estimate. To obtain a transfer function from these estimates we may have to use the results from part 1. From the correlation analysis  $R_{yu} = GR_u$ .

- i. Obtain an estimate of the Markov parameters.
  - ii. Use part 1 to estimate a low order transfer function.
  - iii. Compare it with spa.
- (b) Another approach is to directly estimate the parameters of the numerator and denominator of the transfer function
- i. Express the estimated transfer function as

$$\hat{G}(z_k) = Q^{-1}(z_k)R(z_k) + \epsilon(k) \quad (4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} Q(z_k) &= 1 + q_1 z_k^{-1} + \dots + q_p z_k^{-p} \\ R(z_k) &= r_0 + r_1 z_k^{-1} + \dots + r_p z_k^{-p} \end{aligned}$$

and  $p$  is some integer. Find the least squares solution which minimizes the error index  $J = \sum \|Q(z_k)\epsilon(k)\|_2$  by rewriting Equation(4).

- ii. Derive a recursive expression for impulse response in terms of the coefficients of  $R$  and  $Q$ .
- iii. Obtain the state space representation using equations (1)-(3). Use your judgement in truncation of  $\Sigma$ .