# Introduction to (Bayesian) Estimation MAE 5020

#### Models

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#### Introduction to the generic linear model

- To estimate unknown quantitie based on measurements and other given information, begin with a model representation
- Explicit relationship between the unknowns and the measurements
- Linear vs. nonlinear relationship
- Fundamental estimation problems in a generic linear model

$$Z(k) = H(k)\theta + V(k)$$

$$egin{aligned} & \theta \in \mathbb{R}^{n imes 1} : \ & Z(k) \in \mathbb{R}^{N imes 1} : \ & H(k) \in \mathbb{R}^{N imes n} : \ & V(k) \in \mathbb{R}^{N imes 1} : \end{aligned}$$

#### Categories

A.  $\theta$  is deterministic

- 1. H(k) is deterministic
- 2. H(k) is random
  - a) H(k) and V(k) are statistically independent
  - b) H(k) and V(k) are statistically dependent

#### B. $\theta$ is random

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- 2. H(k) is random
  - a) H(k) and V(k) are statistically independent
  - b) H(k) and V(k) are statistically dependent

In the book, there are many examples. We will discuss a few that are important and instrumental.

### Example 2-3: Function approximation

• Given  $(x_1, f(x_1)), (x_2, f(x_2)), \dots, (x_N, f(x_N))$ , where  $x_i$ 's are unknown but  $f(\cdot)$  is unknown.

• Approxate  $f(\cdot)$  in a linear form

$$f(x) \approx \hat{f}(x) \triangleq \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_j \phi_j(x)$$





#### The corresponding linear model

Suppose 
$$f_m(x_i) = f(x_i) + e(x_i)$$
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### The corresponding linear model

Suppose 
$$f_m(x_i) = f(x_i) + e(x_i)$$
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• Rewrite it in a vector form with  $\hat{f}(\cdot)$ .

Final form in the generic linear model:



Example 2-1: Finite impulse response (FIR) FIR Model (a.k.a Moving average model):



- Moving average coefficients h(i)'s are unknown
- "signal-plus-noise" model in block diagram:

#### The corresponding linear model

Rewrite it in a vector form

► The generic linear model

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#### Example 2-2: Finite difference equation

Autoregressive (AR) model:

$$y(k) = -\alpha_1 y(k-1) - \alpha_2 y(k-2) - \dots - \alpha_n y(k-n) + u(k-1)$$

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Rewrite it in a vector form:

► The generic linear model:



#### Example 2-5: Nonlinear model

 Most of the developed techniques can be applied to nonlinear models (after linearization)

- Suppose  $z(k) = f(\theta, k) + v(k)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, N$ .
- f : nonlinear function in  $\theta$ , known explicitly.
- ▶ Nominal  $\theta$ :  $\theta^*$ , nominal  $z^*(k) =$
- Linearization: define  $\delta z(k) =$  ,  $\delta \theta =$
- Linearized equation:

The corresponding linear form

## Example (new): Neural network as a nonlinear model



A simple NN model <sup>a</sup>.

<sup>a</sup>https://studymachinelearning.com/mathematicsbehind-the-neural-network/

First layer:

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_{11} \\ z_{12} \\ z_{13} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w_{11} & w_{21} \\ w_{12} & w_{22} \\ w_{13} & w_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_1 \\ b_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Z^{[1]} = W^{[1]}X + b^{[1]}$$

Activation function:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{12} \\ a_{13} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma(a_{11}) \\ \sigma(a_{12}) \\ \sigma(a_{13}) \end{pmatrix}$$

 $A^{[1]}=\sigma(Z^{[1]})$ 

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### Example (new): Neural network as a nonlinear model

Second layer:

$$(z_{21}) = (w_{31} \quad w_{41} \quad w_{51}) \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{12} \\ a_{13} \end{pmatrix} + b_2$$

$$Z^{[2]} = W^{[2]}A^{[1]} + b^{[2]}$$

Activation function:  $a_{21} = \sigma(z_{21}), A^{[2]} = \sigma(Z^{[2]}).$ Putting everything together:

$$A^{[2]} = \sigma(W^{[2]}\sigma(W^{[1]}X + b^{[1]}) + b^{[2]})$$

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$$\triangleq f(\theta, X)$$

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A simple NN model.

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$$Z^{[2]} = W^{[2]}A^{[1]} + b^{[2]}$$

Example 2-4: dynamic systems and state estimation

- Dynamical systems are ubiquitous in control/robotics/communication, etc.
- Often we need to estimate the state vector in a dynamical system for controls, monitoring, etc.
- Typically we cannot measure all the state variables, e.g., position but not velocity, etc.
- State estimation: estimate the entire state vector given a limited collection of noisy measurements

#### Formulation

$$\begin{aligned} x(k+1) &= \Phi x(k) + \gamma u(k) \\ z(k) &= h^T x(k) + v(k) \end{aligned}$$

Collect *N* measurements:

Find a common  $\theta$  by using the state equation. First, state solution:

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Second, fix to a particular time  $k_1$ :

#### The general linear form

• Express measurements in terms of  $x(k_1)$ 

► The linear form



#### Observations