

# NuID: A direct approach to SYSID using Nuclear Norms.

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# Overview

Today:

- ▶ NuID.
- ▶ Analysis.
- ▶ Algorithm.
- ▶ Extensions.
- ▶ Numerical results + discussion.

## Why:



- ▶ Short time-series.
  - ▶ Incorporate structure!
  - ▶ Initial state estimation.
  - ▶ No averaging-out.
  - ▶ Many different short series (bio).
- ▶ Messy data.
  - ▶ Low SNRs!
  - ▶ Missing/irregularly sampled.
  - ▶ No averaging-out.
- ▶ Clear objective: to analysis.
- ▶ Convex optimization:
  - ▶ No local minima.
  - ▶ KKT conditions.
  - ▶ Algorithms.
- ▶ Direct extensions



## History of regularisation:

- ▶ Ill-posed problems  $\|\cdot\|_2^2$ .
- ▶ Regularisation vs. priors.
- ▶ Smoothing splines  $\|\cdot\|_S^2$ .
- ▶ Kernels  $\|\cdot\|_K^2$ .
- ▶ Compressed sensing  $\|\cdot\|_1$ .
- ▶ Nuclear norm  $\|\cdot\|_*$ .

*Why simple models - because few even simpler ones to falsify!*

History of Nuclear norm analysis: Analysis:  
under which conditions (sampling) is  
 $\|\cdot\|_* = \text{rank}(\cdot)$

- ▶ Fazel, 2001, 2002.
- ▶ Candes & Recht, 2009.
- ▶ Recht, Fazel & Parilo, 2010.
- ▶ Gross, 2011.

But specific for SI

- ▶ A. Hansson, Z. Liu, L. Vandenberghe, Verhaegen (2010 - ...)
- ▶ M. Fazel & al. (2010)
- ▶ I. Markovsky (no, it doesn't, 2012)
- ▶ L. Dai & K (no, not in general, 2014)
- ▶ Survey presentation of C. Rojas at ECC 2013.



# NuclID (Ct'd)

- FIR approximation:

$$y(t) = \sum_{\tau=0}^{\infty} h(\tau)u(t-\tau) \approx \sum_{\tau=0}^d h(\tau)u(t-\tau)$$

- In matrix form:

$$\text{Hankel}_d(h) = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 & \dots & h_d \\ h_2 & \ddots & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ h_d & & & h_{2d-1} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$U_t(d) = \begin{bmatrix} u_t & \frac{u_{t-1}}{2} & \frac{u_{t-2}}{3} & \dots & \frac{u_{t-d+1}}{d} \\ \frac{u_{t-1}}{2} & \frac{u_{t-2}}{3} & \ddots & & \\ \frac{u_{t-2}}{3} & \ddots & & & \\ \vdots & & & & \\ \frac{u_{t-d+1}}{d} & & & & \frac{u_{t-2d}}{2d-1} \end{bmatrix},$$

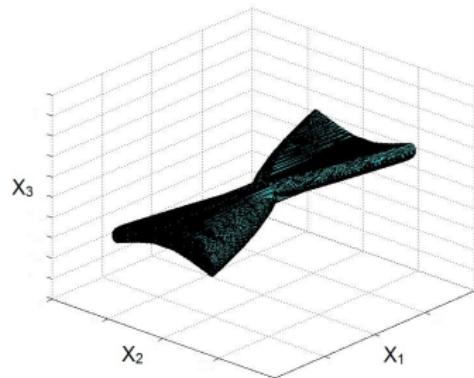
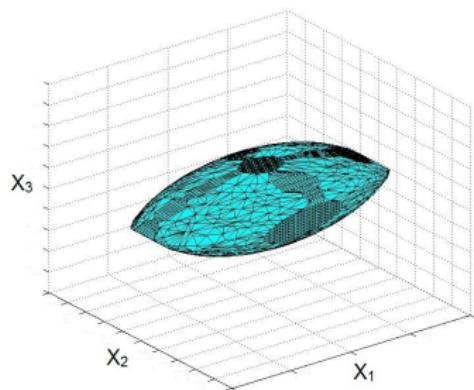
Then

$$y_t \approx \sum_{\tau=0}^d h_\tau u_{t-\tau} = \text{tr}(\text{Hankel}_d(h) U_t(d))$$

# NuclID (Ct'd)

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\{X \text{ is Hankel}_2 : \|X\|_* \leq 1\}$  and  $\{X \text{ is Hankel}_2 : \text{rank}(X) \leq 1, |x_1| \leq 1\}$



# NuID (Ct'd)

NuID estimator:

- ▶ Observed dynamics as constraints.
- ▶ Minimum order model fitting data.
- ▶ So

$$\min_{\mathbf{h}} \|\text{Hankel}_d(\mathbf{h})\|_* \text{ s.t. } \text{tr}(\text{Hankel}_d(\mathbf{h}) U_t(d)) = y(t).$$

or

$$\min_{\mathbf{H} \text{ is } \text{Hankel}_d} \|\mathbf{H}\|_* \text{ s.t. } \text{tr}(\mathbf{H} U_t(d)) = y(t).$$

- ▶ If noise/approximation:

$$\min_{\mathbf{H} \text{ is } \text{Hankel}_d} \|\mathbf{H}\|_* \text{ s.t. } \|\text{tr}(\mathbf{H} U_t(d)) - y(t)\|_2 \leq \epsilon$$

## Kalman-Ho realisation:



- ▶ State-space model:

$$\begin{cases} x_{t+1} = Ax_t + Bu_t \\ y_t = Cx_t. \end{cases}$$

$\forall t$ , where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $B, C$  of appropriate size.

- ▶ Markov parameters

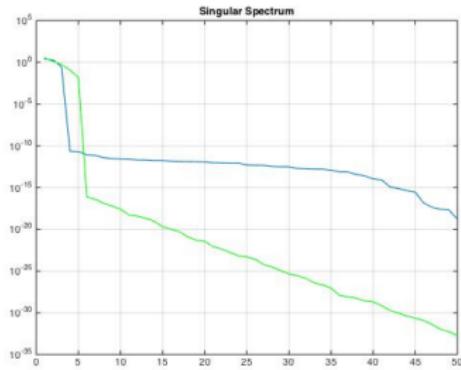
$$h(\tau) = CA^{\tau-1}B, \quad \tau > 0.$$

- ▶ then

$$H = \text{Hankel}_d(h) = \mathcal{O}_{A,C}\mathcal{C}_{A,B}$$

- ▶ Projection + shift.
- ▶ MIMO.

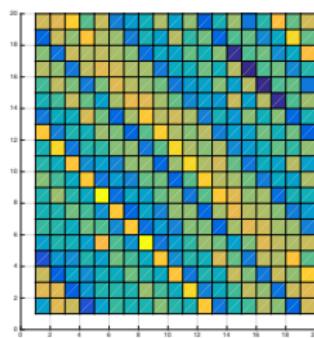
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## Order estimation:

- ▶  $\text{Rank}(H) = \text{McMillan order}.$
- ▶ Implementation dependent vs. thresholds.
- ▶ No-noise.
- ▶ Suggestive.
- ▶ Testing?

# Analysis.



Nuclear norm:

- or  $\|H\|_*$  can be written as

$$\|H\|_* = \sup_{\|G\|_2 \leq 1} \text{tr}(GH)$$

(If  $H$  Hankel, then also  $G$  almost Hankel).

- $\{\lambda_i^\tau\}_\tau$  excited in at least  $m(1 + \epsilon)$  matrices  $U_t(d)$ .
- Conditions on  $u$  to give unique+correct minimal  $\|H\|_*$  solution?

# Algorithm.

ADMM [Hansson et al., 2012]:

- ▶ General problem:

$$\min_{h,H} \|H\|_* + \gamma \|Ah - b\|_2^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad H = \text{Hankel}(h)$$

- ▶ Augmented Lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(h, H, Z) &= \|H\|_* + \gamma \|Ah - b\|_2^2 \\ &+ \text{tr}(Z(H - \text{Hankel}(h))) + \frac{\rho}{2} \|H - \text{Hankel}_d(h)\|_2^2\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ ADMM: Initialise  $H_0, h_0, Z_0$ .

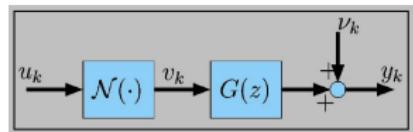
For  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

1.  $h_k = \arg \min_h \mathcal{L}(h, H_{k-1}, Z_{k-1})$
2.  $H_k = \arg \min_H \mathcal{L}(h_k, H, Z_{k-1})$
3. Update  $Z_k = Z_{k-1} + \rho(\text{Hankel}_d(h) - H)$ .

- ▶ Implementation.

## Extensions

- ▶ MIMO.
- ▶ Blind identification (SYSID 2015).
- ▶ Monotone Wiener systems.
- ▶ Hammerstein systems



$$y(t) = \sum_{\tau=1}^{\infty} h(\tau) f(u(t-\tau))$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &\approx \sum_{\tau=1}^d h(\tau) \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \phi_j(u(t-\tau)) \\ &= \sum_{\tau=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^m c_{j,\tau} \phi_j(u(t-\tau)). \end{aligned}$$

where  $[c_{j,\tau} = b_j h(\tau)]_{j,\tau}$  is rank one.

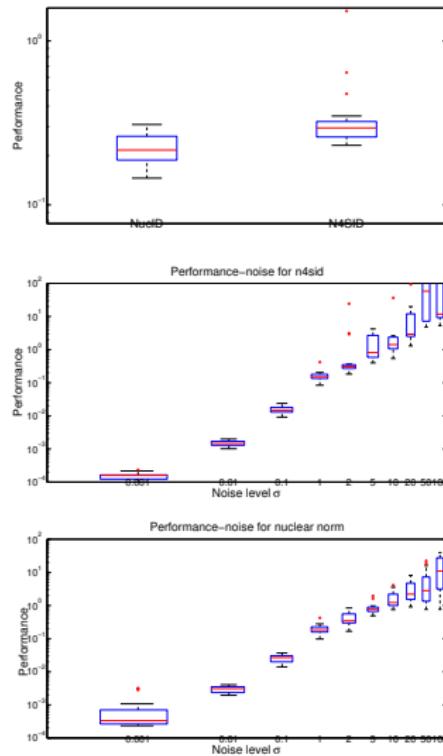
## Extensions (Ct'd).

Estimating the cross-product of  $\{h_\tau\}$  with initial samples  $(u_{-2}, u_{-1}, u_0)$  is rank-one:



—	—	—	$h_0 u_{-2}$	$\rightarrow y(1)$
—	—	$h_1 u_{-2}$	$h_0 u_{-1}$	$\rightarrow y(2)$
—	$h_2 u_{-2}$	$h_1 u_{-1}$	$h_0 u_0$	$\rightarrow y(3)$
$h_3 u_{-2}$	$h_2 u_{-1}$	$h_1 u_0$	$h_0 u_1$	$\rightarrow y(4)$
$h_3 u_{-1}$	$h_2 u_0$	$h_1 u_1$	$h_0 u_2$	$\rightarrow y(5)$
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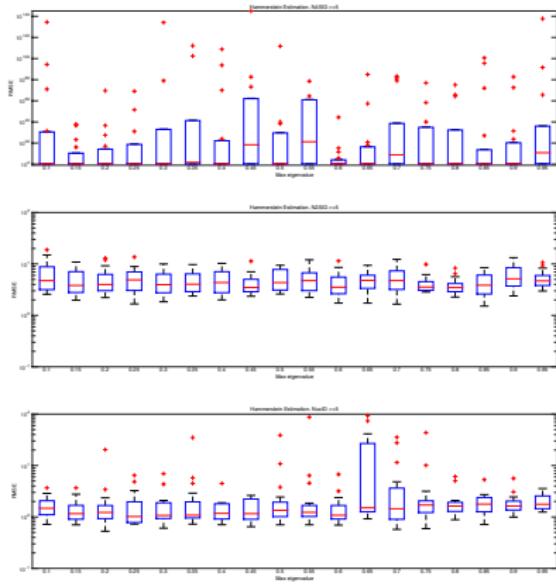
# Results + discussion.



LTI case:

- ▶ SISO, **no** noise  
 $n = 100, d = 100, n = 25.$
- ▶ SISO, **with** noise  
 $n = 200, d = 100, n = 5, SNR = 1.$
- ▶ MIMO.

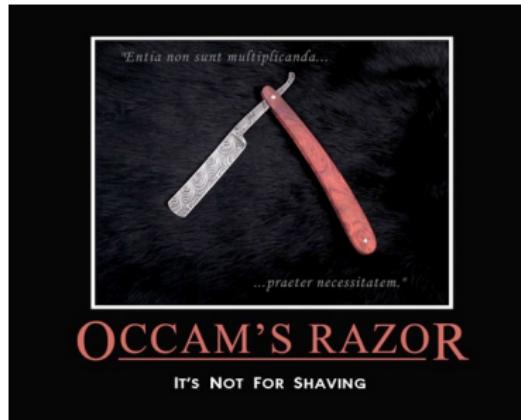
## Results + discussion (Ct'd).



Hammerstein case:

- ▶ SISO, **no** noise  $T = 500, d = 40, m = 10, n = 5$ .
- ▶ SISO, **with** noise  $T = 500, d = 40, m = 10, n = 5, SNR = 1$ .

# Conclusions



## Take home:

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