

Multivariable Control (ME-422) - Exercise session 11

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1. Let v and w be jointly Gaussian, independent, with zero average and $\text{var}[v] = 2$, $\text{var}[w] = 1$. Let x and y be defined in the following alternative ways

$$\begin{array}{llll} (a) & x = v + w & (b) & x = 2v + 2w \\ & y = v - w & & y = 2v - 2w \\ (c) & x = v + w & & y = 2v + 2w \\ (d) & x = v & & y = \sqrt{2}w \end{array}$$

Which pairs x, y have the highest/lowest covariance?

2. Consider the following data

$$\begin{array}{lll} u_1 = -1 & u_2 = \sqrt{0.5} & u_3 = 1 \\ y_1 = 0 & y_2 = 0 & y_3 = 1.5 \end{array}$$

and the following model

$$y_k = \theta u_k^2 + v_k$$

where

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, V \right) \quad V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Moreover, $\theta \sim N(1, 1)$ and is independent of $[v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3]^T$.

Compute the parameter estimate $\hat{\theta} = E[\theta | y_1, y_2, y_3]$.

Hint: Derive first the probability density of $[\theta \ y_1 \ y_2 \ y_3]$. Use MATLAB for computing the required matrix products.

3. Find the update rule for the covariance matrix $P_k = E[(x_k - E[x_k])(x_k - E[x_k])^T]$ of the process

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1} &= Ax_k + Bw_k \quad A = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ x_0 &\sim N \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where $w_k \sim WGN(0, 1)$. Is P_k convergent as $k \rightarrow \infty$? If yes, compute the limit value.

4. Recall the eigenvalue assignment theorem

Theorem. For a given pair (A, B) , $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, $\exists K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$:
 $(A + BK)$ has prescribed eigenvalues $\iff (A, B)$ is reachable.

Prove the $\implies$ statement.

Hints: In an equivalent way, one can try to prove
 (A, B) unreachable $\implies$ not all eigenvalues of $(A + BK)$ can be assigned.
 Use the reachability form of (A, B) for showing the implication.