

State Estimation for Linear Discrete-Time Systems with Unknown Input Using Nonparametric Technique

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Abstract—The paper addressed the filtering problems with using nonparametric algorithms for discrete linear systems with the known control input, unknown input and parameters. The designed algorithms are based on combining the Kalman filter and nonparametric estimator. Examples are given to illustrate the usefulness of the proposed approach.

Keywords—kalman filter; discrete linear systems; unknown input; unknown parameters; filtering algorithm; nonparametric estimators

I. INTRODUCTION

An important issue of the Kalman filtering is the construction of algorithms for the class of discrete systems with unknown additive perturbations (input) and unknown parameters. Such systems are used as the models of real physical systems, as the models of objects with unknown errors, and for fault diagnostics and robust control.

The methods to estimate a state vector are often based on the LSM-estimator of unknown input [1-4]. In [5], such problem is solved with making use of compensation methods for linear stochastic systems with an unknown constant input. In [6], the problem is solved on fault diagnostic and fault-tolerant control of systems with unknown input.

In this paper, for discrete linear stochastic systems with the known control input, an unknown input and parameters the algorithm with use of the Kalman filtering and nonparametric estimators is proposed. This approach generalizes the result of the paper [7]. The examples are given to illustrate the properties of the proposed algorithms in comparison with the algorithms used the LSM-estimator.

II. PROBLEM FORMULATION

Consider the model of the linear discrete-time system with an unknown input and unknown parameters:

$$x(k+1) = (A + \Delta A(k))x(k) + (B + \Delta B(k))u(k) + f(k) + q(k), \quad x(0) = x_0, \quad (1)$$

$$y(k) = Hx(k) + v(k), \quad (2)$$

where $x(k)$ is a state of the object, $u(k)$ is a known control input, $y(k)$ is an observation vector, A and H are the known matrices of the appropriate dimensions, $f(k)$ is an unknown

input, $\Delta A(k)$ and $\Delta B(k)$ are matrices with the corresponding unknown elements (parameters). It is assumed that random perturbations $q(k)$ and noise measurements $v(k)$ are not correlated between themselves and are subject to the Gaussian distributions with the zero-vector means and the covariance matrices

$$E[q(k)q(t)^T] = Q\delta(k, t), \quad E[v(k)v(t)^T] = V\delta(k, t),$$

where $Q \geq 0$ and $V > 0$ are the known matrices, $\delta(k, t)$ is the Kronecker symbol, $E[\cdot]$ denotes the expectation of a random variable. It is assumed that the vector of initial conditions x_0 is uncorrelated with values $q(k)$ and $v(k)$. The vector x_0 has the following characteristics:

$$E[x(0)] = \bar{x}_0, \quad E[(x(0) - \bar{x}_0)(x(0) - \bar{x}_0)^T] = P_0.$$

Here, we consider the case when prior knowledge about the time evolution of $f(k)$, $\Delta A(k)$, and $\Delta B(k)$ are not available.

III. FILTERING ALGORITHM

As a filter estimating a state of object (1), we take the following filter:

$$\hat{x}(k+1) = A\hat{x}(k) + Bu(k) + \hat{r}(k) + K(k)[y(k+1) -$$

$$H(A\hat{x}(k) + Bu(k) + \hat{r}(k))], \quad \hat{x}(0) = \bar{x}_0, \quad (3)$$

$$K(k) = P(k+1/k)H^T[HP(k)H^T + V]^{-1}, \quad (4)$$

$$P(k+1/k) = AP(k)A^T + Q, \quad (5)$$

$$P(k+1) = (I - K(k)H)P(k+1/k), \quad P(0) = P_0, \quad (6)$$

where $\hat{x}(k)$ is a state estimator, $P(k) = E[(x(k) - \hat{x}(k))(x(k) - \hat{x}(k))^T]$, $\hat{r}(k)$ is an estimator of the unknown vector

$$r(k) = \Delta A(k)x(k) + \Delta B(k)u(k) + f(k). \quad (7)$$

However, formulas (3)–(6) can not be applied immediately because $\hat{r}(k)$ is unknown. The estimator $\hat{r}(k)$ was obtained from the criteria

$$J(r(k-1)) = E \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \|y(i) - H\hat{x}(i)\|_C^2 + \|r(i-1)\|_D^2 \right],$$

Where $\|\cdot\|_C$ is the Euclidian norm, $C > 0$ and $D > 0$ are weight matrices.

Applying the mathematical induction, as in [7], we obtain the estimator of the unknown input

$$\hat{r}(k) = (H^T C H + D)^{-1} H^T C E[w(k)], \quad (8)$$

Where $w(k) = y(k) - H A \hat{x}(k-1)$.

Now, let us estimate value $E[w(k)]$ by nonparametric algorithms [8]. Using the well known kernel estimates, we get

$$\hat{r}(k) = S \hat{w}(k),$$

where the j -th component of the vector takes the form

$$\hat{w}_j(k) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k w_j(i) K_j \left(\frac{k-i+1}{h_{i,j}} \right)}{\sum_{i=1}^k K_j \left(\frac{k-i+1}{h_{i,j}} \right)}. \quad (9)$$

In formula (9), $K_j(\cdot)$ is a kernel function, $h_{i,j}$ is a bandwidth parameter. We use the Gaussian kernels, and the bandwidths are calculated by the cross-validation method [9]

Also, we studied the properties of the filtering with another estimator $\hat{r}(k) = S \tilde{w}(k)$ for an unknown input (cf. [10]):

$$\tilde{w}_j(k) = \sum_{i=1}^k w_j(i) K_j \left(\frac{k-i+1}{h_{i,j}} \right) \frac{(x_i - x_{i-1})}{h_{i,j}}. \quad (10)$$

IV. SIMULATION RESULTS

In this section, we present simulation results to illustrate the performance of the proposed algorithm. Apply the filtering algorithm (3)–(6), using nonparametric estimates (9) and (10), to the model (1) and to the observations (2) with the following parameters:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0.05 & 0.9 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 \\ 1.0 \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0.01 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.02 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.2 \end{pmatrix}, H = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.0 \end{pmatrix}, P_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.0 \end{pmatrix}, D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \bar{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 3.5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Simulations were carried out with such input $f(k)$, $u(k)$ and matrices $\Delta A(k)$, $\Delta B(k)$:

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, u(k) = 0.1, \Delta A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0.01 \\ -0.03 & 0.055 \end{pmatrix}, \Delta B(k) = \begin{pmatrix} 0.4 \\ 0.7 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The proposed algorithms we comprise with the algorithms using the LSM-estimates from [2] by simulations. These comparisons are given in Figs. 1–4:

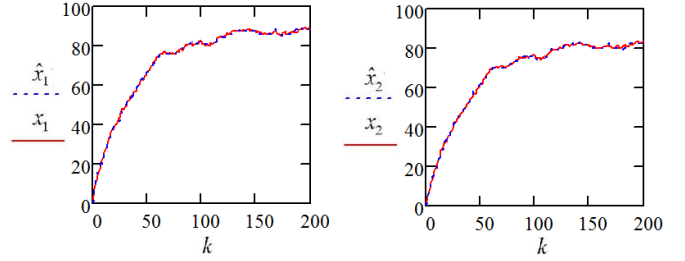


FIGURE I. THE DEPENDENCE OF THE COMPONENTS x_1, x_2 AND THEIR ESTIMATES \hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2 WITH NONPARAMETRIC ESTIMATES OF UNKNOWN INPUT. PLEASE, INSERT “OF” IN RED

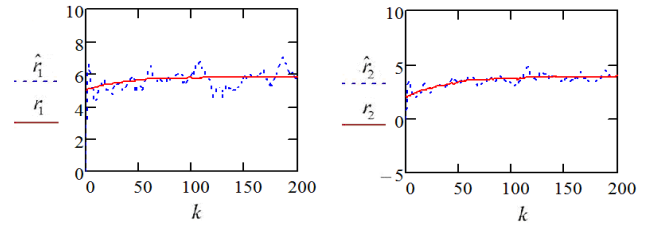


FIGURE II. THE ESTIMATION OF UNKNOWN INPUTS WITH NONPARAMETRIC ESTIMATES (9).

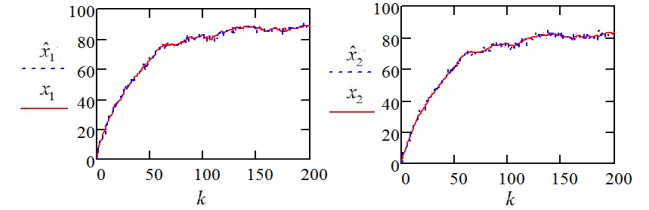


FIGURE III. THE DEPENDENCE OF THE COMPONENTS x_1, x_2 AND THEIR ESTIMATES \hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2 WITH THE LSM-ESTIMATES.

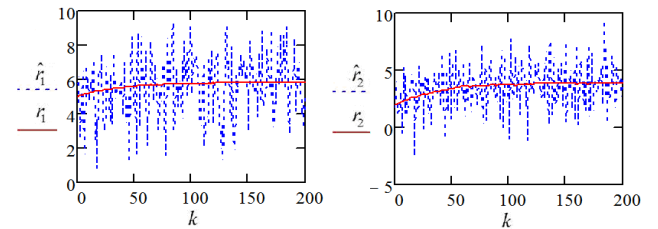


FIGURE IV. THE ESTIMATION OF UNKNOWN INPUTS WITH THE LSM-ESTIMATES.

We used the bandwidth parameters $h_{1,1} = 6, h_{1,2} = 8$ for all i .

Below, in Tables 1 and 2 the standard errors

$$\sigma_{x,i} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{k=1}^N (x_i(k) - \hat{x}_i(k))^2}{N-1}}, \quad \sigma_{r,i} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{k=1}^N (r_i(k) - \hat{r}_i(k))^2}{N-1}} \quad (i = \overline{1, 2})$$

are presented for two filtering algorithms ($N = 200$) and by averaging 50 realizations.

TABLE I. STANDARD ERRORS FOR FILTERING ALGORITHMS WITH NONPARAMETRIC ESTIMATES (9).

$\sigma_{x,1}$	$\sigma_{x,2}$	$\sigma_{r,1}$	$\sigma_{r,2}$
0.963	0.992	0.524	0.345

TABLE II. STANDARD ERRORS FOR FILTERING ALGORITHMS WITH THE LSM-ESTIMATES.

$\sigma_{x,1}$	$\sigma_{x,2}$	$\sigma_{r,1}$	$\sigma_{r,2}$
1.471	1.561	1.988	2.263

Figures and Tables show that the procedures with nonparametric estimates have the advantages in the accuracy in comparison with the known algorithms using the LSM-estimates. It is seen that the presented nonparametric technique may be used in solving the general filtering problems with the known control input, unknown input and parameters. Applying the estimator (10) instead of (9) gives the similar simulation results in accuracy. The proposed algorithms can be used to synthesize the fault-tolerant and robust control.

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