The Approximation Problem
Collocation is the fitting of a function to a set of points (or measurements) so that the function agrees with the sample at each point in the set.

Often consider critically constrained functions

The function that is of interest for using collocation when addressing the approximation problem is $H_A(\omega^2)$
Review from Last Time

**Collocation**

Applying to $H_A(\omega^2)$

\[
\{(\omega_1, y_1), (\omega_2, y_2), \ldots, (\omega_k, y_k)\}
\]

\[
H_A(\omega^2) = \frac{a_0 + a_1\omega^2 + a_2\omega^4 + \ldots + a_m\omega^{2m}}{1 + b_1\omega^2 + b_2\omega^4 + \ldots + b_n\omega^{2n}}
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
    y_1 \\
    y_2 \\
    \vdots \\
    y_k
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
    1 & \omega_1^2 & \omega_1^4 & \ldots & \omega_1^{2m} - \omega_1^2 y_1 - \omega_1^4 y_1 - \ldots - \omega_1^{2n} y_1 \\
    1 & \omega_2^2 & \omega_2^4 & \ldots & \omega_2^{2m} - \omega_2^2 y_1 - \omega_2^4 y_1 - \ldots - \omega_2^{2n} y_1 \\
    \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
    1 & \omega_k^2 & \omega_k^4 & \ldots & \omega_k^{2m} - \omega_k^2 y_1 - \omega_k^4 y_1 - \ldots - \omega_k^{2n} y_1
\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}
    a_0 \\
    a_1 \\
    \vdots \\
    a_m \\
    b_1 \\
    \vdots \\
    b_n
\end{bmatrix}
\]

\[
Y = Z \cdot C
\]

\[
C = Z^{-1} \cdot Y
\]
Review from Last Time

Collocation Observations

Fitting an approximating function to a set of data or points (collocation points)

- Closed-form matrix solution for fitting to a rational fraction in $\omega^2$
- Can be useful when somewhat nonstandard approximations are required
- Quite sensitive to collocation points
- Although function is critically constrained, since collocation points are variables, highly under constrained as an optimization approach
- Although fit will be perfect at collocation points, significant deviation can occur close to collocation points
- Inverse mapping to $T_A(s)$ may not exist
- Solution may not exist at specified collocation points
What is the major contributor to the limitations observed with the collocation approach?

- Totally dependent upon the value of the desired response at a small but finite set of points (no consideration for anything else)
- Highly dependent upon value of approximating function at a single point or at a small number of points
- Highly dependent upon which points are chosen
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Least Squares Approximation

To minimize the heavy dependence on a small number of points, will consider many points thus creating an over-constrained system

\[ H_A(\omega^2) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i \omega^{2i}}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i \omega^{2i}} \]

\[ k > m+n+1 \]

Approximating function cannot be forced to go through all points
But, it can be “close” to all points in some sense
Least Squares Approximation

\[ H_A(\omega^2) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i \omega^{2i}}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i \omega^{2i}} \]

Define the error at point \( i \) by

\[ \varepsilon_i = H_D(\omega_i) - H_A(\omega_i) \]

where \( H_D(\omega_i) \) is the desired magnitude squared response at \( \omega_i \) and where \( H_A(\omega_i) \) is the magnitude squared response of the approximating function.
Least Squares Approximation

\[ H_A(\omega^2) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i \omega^{2i}}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i \omega^{2i}} \]

\[ \epsilon_i = H_D(\omega_i) - H_A(\omega_i) \]

Goal is to minimize some metrics associated with \( \epsilon_i \) at a large number of points

Some possible cost functions

\[ C_1 = \sum_{i=1}^{N} |\epsilon_i| \quad C_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \epsilon_i^2 \quad C_3 = \sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i \epsilon_i^2 \]

- Reduces emphasis on individual points
- Some much better than others from performance viewpoint
- Some much better than others from computation viewpoint

\[ w_i \text{ a weighting function} \]
Least Squares Approximation

\[ H_A(\omega^2) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i \omega^{2i}}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i \omega^{2i}} \]

\[ \varepsilon_i = H_D(\omega_i) - H_A(\omega_i) \]

\[ C_3 = \sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i \varepsilon_i^2 \]

\( w_i \) a weighting function

Least Mean Square (LMS) based cost functions have minimums that can be analytically determined for some useful classes of approximating functions \( H_A(\omega^2) \)
Regression Analysis Review

Consider an nth order polynomial in \( x \)

\[
F(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x^k
\]

Consider \( N \) samples of a function \( \hat{F}(x) \)

\[
\hat{F}(x) = \langle \hat{F}(x_i) \rangle^N_{i=1}
\]

where the sampling coordinate variables are

\[
X = \langle x_i \rangle^N_{i=1}
\]

Define the summed square difference cost function as

\[
C = \sum_{i=0}^{N} \left( F(x_i) - \hat{F}(x_i) \right)^2
\]

A standard regression analysis can be used to minimize \( C \) with respect to \( \{a_0, a_1, … a_n\} \)

To do this, take the \( n+1 \) partials of \( C \) wrt the \( a_i \) variables
Regression Analysis Review

\[ C = \sum_{i=0}^{N} (F(x_i) - \tilde{F}(x_i))^2 \]

\[ F(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x^k \]

\[ C = \sum_{i=0}^{N} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x_i^k - \tilde{F}(x_i) \right)^2 \]

Taking the partial of \( C \) wrt each coefficient and setting to 0, we obtain the set of equations:

\[ \frac{\partial C}{\partial a_0} = 2 \sum_{i=0}^{N} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x_i^k - \tilde{F}(x_i) \right) = 0 \]

\[ \frac{\partial C}{\partial a_1} = 2 \sum_{i=0}^{N} x_i^1 \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x_i^k - \tilde{F}(x_i) \right) = 0 \]

\[ \frac{\partial C}{\partial a_2} = 2 \sum_{i=0}^{N} x_i^2 \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x_i^k - \tilde{F}(x_i) \right) = 0 \]

\[ \cdots \]

\[ \frac{\partial C}{\partial a_n} = 2 \sum_{i=0}^{N} x_i^n \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x_i^k - \tilde{F}(x_i) \right) = 0 \]

This is linear in the \( a_k \)s.

\[ X \cdot A = F \]

\[ A = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} \]

Solution is

\[ A = X^{-1} \cdot F \]
Regression Analysis Review

A few details about regression analysis:

\[ X \cdot A = F \]

\[ A = X^{-1} \cdot F \]

\[ X = \begin{bmatrix}
N+1 & \sum_{i=0}^{N} X_i & \sum_{i=0}^{N} X_i^2 & \ldots & \sum_{i=0}^{N} X_i^n \\
\sum_{i=0}^{N} X_i & \sum_{i=0}^{N} X_i^2 & \ldots & \sum_{i=0}^{N} X_i^{n+1} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
\sum_{i=0}^{N} X_i^n & \sum_{i=0}^{N} X_i^{n+1} & \ldots & \sum_{i=0}^{N} X_i^{2n}
\end{bmatrix} \]

\[ A = \begin{bmatrix}
a_0 \\
a_1 \\
\vdots \\
a_n
\end{bmatrix} \]

\[ F = \begin{bmatrix}
\sum_{i=0}^{N} \tilde{F}(x_i) \\
\sum_{i=0}^{N} x_i \tilde{F}(x_i) \\
\vdots \\
\sum_{i=0}^{N} x_i^n \tilde{F}(x_i)
\end{bmatrix} \]
Regression Analysis Review

\[ C = \sum_{i=0}^{N} \left( F(x_i) - \tilde{F}(x_i) \right)^2 \]

\[ F(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x^k \]

\[ C = \sum_{i=0}^{N} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k x_i^k - \tilde{F}(x_i) \right)^2 \]

\[ A = X^{-1} \bullet F \]

Observations about Regression Analysis:

- Closed form solution
- Requires inversion of a (n+1) dimensional square matrix
- Not highly sensitive to any single measurement
- Widely used for fitting a set of data to a polynomial model
- Points need not be uniformly distributed
- Adding weights does not complicate solution

This analysis was restricted to a polynomial – will see how applicable to a rational fraction!
Least Squares Approximations of Transfer Functions

\[ T(s) = \sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i s^i \quad \sum_{i=0}^{n} b_i s^i \quad \text{WLOG } b_0 = 1 \]

\[ T(j\omega) = \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{m} (-1)^i a_i \omega^i \right] + \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{m} (-1)^i a_i \omega^i \right] j \]

\[ T(j\omega) = \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{n} (-1)^i b_i \omega^i \right] + \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{n} (-1)^i b_i \omega^i \right] j \]

\[ |T(j\omega)| = \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{m} (-1)^i a_i \omega^i \right]^2 + \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{m} (-1)^i a_i \omega^i \right]^2 \]

\[ \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{n} (-1)^i b_i \omega^i \right]^2 + \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{n} (-1)^i b_i \omega^i \right]^2 \]

|\(T(j\omega)| is highly nonlinear in <a_k> and <b_k>\)
Least Squares Approximations of Transfer Functions

\[ T(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i s^i}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} b_i s^i} \quad \text{WLOG } b_0 = 1 \]

\[ |T(j\omega)| = \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{m} (-1)^i a_i \omega^i \right]^2 + \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{n} (-1)^i b_i \omega^i \right]^2 \]

Consider the natural cost function

\[ C = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( |T(j\omega_k)| - \tilde{T}(\omega_k) \right)^2 \]

both are highly nonlinear in \(<a_k>\) and \(<b_k>\)

Closed form solution for optimal values of \(<a_k>\) and \(<b_k>\) does not exist
Least Squares Approximations of Transfer Functions

\[ T(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i s^i}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} b_i s^i} \quad \text{WLOG} \ b_0 = 1 \]

Consider

\[ H_A(\omega^2) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i \omega^{2i}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega^{2i}} \]

Consider the cost function

\[ C = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( H_A(\omega_k^2) - \tilde{H}(\omega_k^2) \right)^2 \]

What about the sets of equations

\[ \left\langle \frac{\partial C}{\partial c_k} \right\rangle_k \quad \text{and} \quad \left\langle \frac{\partial C}{\partial d_k} \right\rangle_k \]

Rewriting the cost function

\[ C = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i \omega^{2i}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega^{2i}} - \tilde{H}(\omega_k^2) \right)^2 \]

\[ \left\langle \frac{\partial C}{\partial c_k} \right\rangle_k \quad \text{is linear in} \quad <c_k> \quad \text{and} \quad \left\langle \frac{\partial C}{\partial d_k} \right\rangle_k \quad \text{is highly nonlinear in} \quad <d_k> \]

Closed form solution for optimal values of \(<c_k> \text{ and } <d_k>\) does not exist

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Least Squares Approximations of Transfer Functions

\[ H_A(\omega^2) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i \omega^{2i}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega^{2i}} \]

\[ C = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( H_A(\omega_k^2) - \tilde{H}(\omega_k^2) \right)^2 \]

\[ C = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i \omega^{2i} - \tilde{H}(\omega_k^2) \sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega^{2i} \right)^2 \]

\[ \left< \frac{\partial C}{\partial c_k} \right>_{k=1}^{m} \text{ is linear in } <c_k> \]

\[ \left< \frac{\partial C}{\partial d_k} \right>_{k=1}^{n} \text{ is highly nonlinear in } <d_k> \]

But

if \( <d_k> \) is fixed, optimal value of \( <c_k> \) can be easily obtained

equivalently,

if poles of \( H_A(\omega^2) \) are fixed, optimal value of zeros of \( H_A(\omega^2) \) can be easily obtained

Is this observation useful?
Least Squares Approximations of Transfer Functions

\[ C = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i \omega^{2i} - \tilde{H}(\omega_k^2) \sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega^{2i}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega^{2i}} \right)^2 \]

if poles of \( H_A(\omega^2) \) are fixed, optimal value of zeros of \( H_A(\omega^2) \) can be easily obtained

\[ C = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i \omega^{2i} - \tilde{H}(\omega_k^2) \sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega^{2i}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} \hat{d}_i \omega^{2i}} \right)^2 \]

if poles of \( H_A(\omega^2) \) are fixed in denominator of \( C \), the partials of \( C \) wrt both \( <c_k> \) and \( <d_k> \) are linear in \( <c_k> \) and \( <d_k> \)

Are these observations useful?

- Several optimization approaches can be derived from these observations
- Some will provide a LMS optimization of \( H_A(\omega^2) \)
- No guarantee that inverse mapping exists
- Some may provide a good approximation even though not truly LMS
- Others may not be useful
Least Squares Approximations of Transfer Functions

\[ C = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i \omega^{2i} - \tilde{H}(\omega_k^2) \sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega^{2i} \right)^2 \sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega^{2i} \]

Possible uses of these observations (four algorithms)

1. Guess poles and obtain optimal zero locations
2. Start with a “good” \( T(s) \) obtained by any means and improve by selecting optimal zeros
3. Guess poles and then update estimates of both poles and zeros, use new estimate of poles and again update both zeros and poles, continue until convergence or stop after fixed number of iterations
4. Guess poles and obtain optimal zeros. Then invert function and cost and obtain optimal zeros (which are actually poles). Then invert again and obtain optimal zeros. Process can be repeated. - Weighting may be necessary to de-emphasize stop-band values when working with the inverse function
Least Squares Approximations of Transfer Functions

\[
C = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left( \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} c_i \omega_k^{2i} - \bar{H}(\omega_k^2) \sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega_k^{2i}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} d_i \omega_k^{2i}} \right)^2
\]

Comments/Observations about LMS approximations

1. As with collocation, there is no guarantee that \( T_A(s) \) can be obtained from \( H_A(\omega^2) \)

2. Closed-form analytical solutions exist for some useful mean square based cost functions

3. Any of the LMS cost functions discussed that have an analytical solution can have the terms weighted by a weight \( w_i \). This weight will not change the functional form of the equations but will affect the fit

4. The best choice of sample frequencies is not obvious (both number and location)

5. The LMS cost function is not a natural indicator of filter performance

6. It is often used because more natural indicators are generally not mathematically tractable

7. The LMS approach may provide a good solution for some classes of applications but does not provide a universal solution
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Pade’ Approximations

- Other Analytical Optimization
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  - Thompson
Pade’ Approximations

Henri Eugène Padé (December 17, 1863 – July 9, 1953) was a French mathematician, who is now remembered mainly for his development of approximation techniques for functions using rational functions.

The Pade’ approximations were discussed in his doctoral dissertation in approximately 1890.
Pade’ Approximations

Consider the polynomial

\[ T_D(s) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i s^i \]

Define the rational fraction \( R_{m,n}(s) \) by

\[ R_{m,n}(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i s^i}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i s^i} = \frac{A(s)}{B(s)} \]

The rational fraction \( R_{m,n}(s) \) is said to be a \((m,n)\)th order Pade’ approximation of \( T_D(s) \) if \( T_D(s)B(s) \) agrees with \( A(s) \) through the first \( m+n+1 \) powers of \( s \)

Note the Pade’ approximation applies to any polynomial with the argument being either real, complex, or even an operator \( s \)

Can operate directly on functions in the s-domain
Example

\[ T_D(s) = 1 + s + \left(\frac{1}{2!}\right)s^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3!}\right)s^3 + \ldots \]

Determine \( R_{2,3}(s) \)

\[ R_{2,3}(s) = \frac{a_0 + a_1s + a_2s^2}{1 + b_0 + b_1s + b_2s^2 + b_3s^3} = \frac{A(s)}{B(s)} \]

setting

\[ T_D(s)B(s) = A(s) \]

obtain

\[ \left( 1 + s + \left(\frac{1}{2!}\right)s^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3!}\right)s^3 + \ldots \right)\left(1 + b_1s + b_2s^2 + b_3s^3\right) = a_0 + a_1s + a_2s^2 \]
Pade’ Approximations

Example

\[ T_D(s) = 1 + s + \left( \frac{1}{2!} \right) s^2 + \left( \frac{1}{3!} \right) s^3 + ... \]

\[
\left( 1 + s + \left( \frac{1}{2!} \right) s^2 + \left( \frac{1}{3!} \right) s^3 + ... \right) \left( 1 + b_1 s + b_2 s^2 + b_3 s^3 \right) = a_0 + a_1 s + a_2 s^2
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
a_0 &= 1 \\
a_1 &= 1 + b_1 \\
a_2 &= b_1 + b_2 + \frac{1}{2!} \\
0 &= b_2 + b_3 + \frac{b_1}{2!} + \frac{1}{6} \\
0 &= b_3 + \frac{b_2}{2} + \frac{b_1}{6} + \frac{1}{24} \\
0 &= \frac{b_3}{2} + \frac{b_2}{6} + \frac{b_1}{24} + \frac{1}{5!}
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
b_1 &= -.6 \\
b_2 &= .15 \\
b_3 &= -.01666 \\
a_0 &= 1 \\
a_1 &= 0.4 \\
a_2 &= .05
\end{align*}
\]
Pade’ Approximations

Example

\[ T(s) = \frac{1 + 0.4s + 0.05s^2}{1 - 0.6s + 0.15s^2 - 0.016s^3} \]

\( b_1 = -0.6 \)
\( b_2 = 0.15 \)
\( b_3 = -0.01666 \)
\( a_0 = 1 \)
\( a_1 = 0.4 \)
\( a_2 = 0.05 \)

\( T(s) \) has a pair of cc poles in the RHP and is thus unstable!

Poles can be reflected back into the LHP to obtain stability and maintain magnitude response.
Pade’ Approximations

If $T_A(s)$ is an all pole approximation, then the Pade’ approximation of $1/T_A(s)$ is the reciprocal of the Pade’ approximation of $T_A(s)$.

Pade’ approximations can be made for either $T_A(s)$ or $H_A(\omega^2)$.

Is it better to do Pade’ approximations of $T_A(s)$ or $H_A(\omega^2)$?

What relationship, if any, exists between $R_{m,n}(s)$ and $\tilde{R}_{m,n}(s)$?
Pade’ Approximations

• Useful for order reduction of all-pole or all-zero approximations

• Can map an all-zero approximation to a realizable rational fraction in the s-domain

• Can extend concept to provide order reduction of higher-order rational fraction approximations

• Can always maintain stability or even minimum phase by reflecting any RHP roots back into the LHP

• Pade’ approximation is heuristic (no metrics associated with the approach)

• No guarantees about how good the approximations will be
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Other Analytical Optimization

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  - Thompson
Other Analytical Approximations

• Numerous analytical strategies have been proposed over the years for realizing a filter
• Some focus on other characteristics (phase, time-domain response, group delay)
• Almost all based upon real function approximations
• Remember – inverse mapping must exist if a useful function $T(s)$ is to be obtained
Approximations

- Magnitude Squared Approximating Functions – $H_A(\omega^2)$
- Inverse Transform - $H_A(\omega^2) \rightarrow T_A(s)$
- Collocation
- Least Squares Approximations
- Pade Approximations
- Other Analytical Optimizations

Numerical Optimization

- Canonical Approximations
  - Butterworth
  - Chebyschev
  - Elliptic
  - Bessel
  - Thompson
Numerical Optimization

- Optimization algorithms can be used to obtain approximations in either the s-domain or the real domain.
- The optimization problem often has a large number of degrees of freedom \((m+n+1)\).
- Need a good cost function to obtain good approximation.
- Can work on either coefficient domain or root domain or other domains.
- Rational fraction approximations inherently vulnerable to local minimums.
- Can get very good results.

\[
T(s) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{m} a_k s^k}{1 + \sum_{k=0}^{n} b_k s^k}
\]
End of Lecture 8