

# Design of Generalized $H_\infty$ -suboptimal Controllers Based on Experimental and A Priori Data

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**Abstract**—This paper considers a linear continuous- or discrete-time dynamic object in the absence of its mathematical model. ...

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

As was established in [3], a single trajectory can be used to fully characterize a linear time-invariant dynamic system under the so-called persistency of excitation. In view of this fundamental result, different direct control design schemes based on experimental data were proposed in [4] for objects with unknown state dynamics matrices and given target output matrices under the persistency of excitation. According to [5], it suffices to fulfill the data informativity condition in order to construct control laws from experimental data, which is less restrictive than the persistency of excitation. For a fully uncertain object,  $H_2$ - and  $H_\infty$ -optimal control laws were constructed based on input and output measurements using a matrix version of  $S$ -lemma [6] in the publication [7] and using Petersen's lemma [8] in the publication [5–7, 9]. In [10, 11], the state feedback parameters were calculated from a priori data and open-loop measurements of the input and output of a discrete-time uncertain object subjected to an unmeasured disturbance from a definite class.

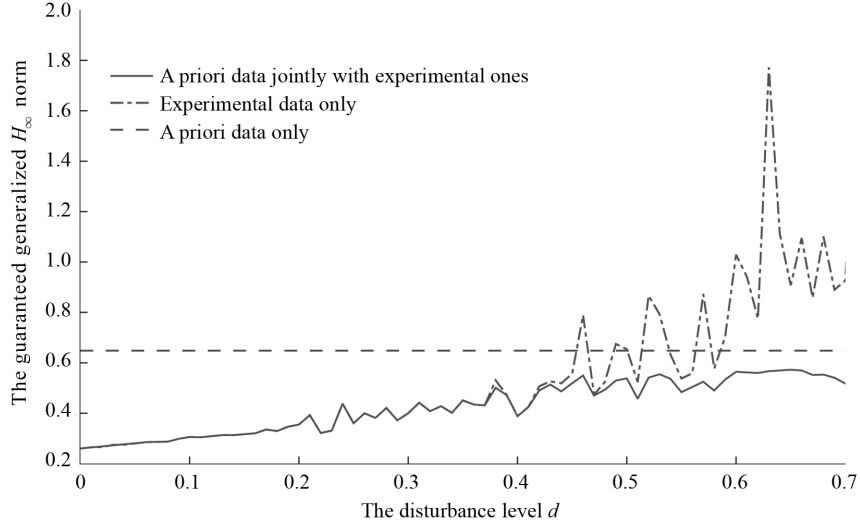
## 2. PROBLEM STATEMENT

### 2.1. Cccccccc Vvvvvvv

Consider an uncertain system described by

$$\begin{aligned}\partial x(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) + w(t), \quad x(0) = x_0, \\ z(t) &= Cx(t) + Du(t)\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

with the following notations:  $\partial$  is the differentiation operator in the continuous-time case or the shift operator in the discrete-time case;  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$  is the state vector,  $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}$  is the control vector (input),  $w(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_w}$  is an exogenous disturbance, and  $z(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_z}$  is the target output. By assumption, the disturbance  $w(t) \in L_2(l_2)$  and the system matrices  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$  are unknown. In general, it is required to design linear state-feedback control laws based on a priori and experimental data so that the damping level of the disturbances in the closed loop system does not exceed a specified value.



**Fig. 1.** The guaranteed estimates of the  $H_\infty$  norm as functions of the disturbance level in experimental data for different types of available information..

**Proposition 1.** For any  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \setminus 0$ , the optimal projection estimator  $\hat{f}_m^0(x) \in \mathbb{M}_{2,m}(\tilde{\mathbf{P}})$  exists if and only if there are  $\{\hat{c}_m^0\} \in \tilde{\mathbb{M}}_{2,m}(\mathbf{P})$  such that

$$\inf_{\{\hat{c}_{j,m}\}_{j \geq 0} \in \tilde{\mathbb{M}}_{2,m}(\mathbf{P})} \mathbb{E} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} [c_j - \hat{c}_{j,m}]^2 = \mathbb{E} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} [c_j - \hat{c}_{j,m}^0]^2. \quad (2)$$

The proof of Proposition 1 is given in Appendix A.

The information about the unknown parameters of system (1) is extracted from a finite set of measurements of its trajectory. For the discrete-time system, there are available measurements of its state and target output,  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_N$  and  $z_0, \dots, z_{N-1}$ , respectively, under chosen controls  $u_0, \dots, u_{N-1}$  and some unknown disturbance  $w_0, \dots, w_{N-1}$ . We compile the matrices

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi &= (x_0 \cdots x_{N-1}), \quad \Phi_+ = (x_1 \cdots x_N), \\ U &= (u_0 \cdots u_{N-1}), \quad W = (w_0 \cdots w_{N-1}), \quad Z = (z_0 \cdots z_{N-1}). \end{aligned}$$

In the continuous-time case, there are measurements of the system state, its derivative, and the target output,  $x(t_0), \dots, x(t_{N-1})$ ,  $\dot{x}(t_0), \dots, \dot{x}(t_{N-1})$ , and  $z(t_0), \dots, z(t_{N-1})$ , respectively, under chosen controls  $u(t_0), \dots, u(t_{N-1})$  and some unknown disturbances  $w(t_0), \dots, w(t_{N-1})$  at time instants  $t_0, \dots, t_{N-1}$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** If the information matrix  $\hat{\Phi}\hat{\Phi}^T$  is nonsingular, then the set  $\Delta_{\mathbf{P}}$  is a nondegenerate “matrix ellipsoid” centered at  $\Delta_{LS}$  given by

$$(\Delta - \Delta_{LS})(\hat{\Phi}\hat{\Phi}^T)(\Delta - \Delta_{LS})^T \leq \Gamma, \quad (3)$$

where

$$\Gamma = \hat{\Omega} + \tilde{\Phi}[\hat{\Phi}^T(\hat{\Phi}\hat{\Phi}^T)^{-1}\hat{\Phi} - I]\tilde{\Phi}^T \geq 0, \quad (4)$$

and  $\Delta_{LS} = \tilde{\Phi}\hat{\Phi}^T(\hat{\Phi}\hat{\Phi}^T)^{-1}$  is the optimal least-squares estimate of the unknown matrix  $\Delta_{real}$  ....

**Corollary 2.1.** *For  $v(t) \equiv 0$ , the  $\gamma_0$  norm of system satisfies the condition  $\gamma_0 < \gamma$  iff there exists a quadratic form  $V_a(x_a) = x_a^T P x_a$  with  $P > R$  such that the corresponding inequality is valid for  $z_a(t) \equiv 0$  along the trajectories of the dual system*

$$\begin{aligned}\partial x_a(t) &= \mathcal{A}^T x_a(t) + \mathcal{C}^T v_a(t), \\ z_a(t) &= \mathcal{B}^T x_a(t).\end{aligned}\tag{2.5}$$

*Remark 1.* Formally, the dual system is described by the equations

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\hat{x}}_a &= -\mathcal{A}^T \hat{x}_a - \mathcal{C}^T \hat{v}_a, \\ \hat{z}_a &= \mathcal{B}^T \hat{x}_a\end{aligned}\tag{2.6}$$

in the continuous-time case.

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## APPENDIX A

### A.1. PROOF OF LEMMA 2.1

Let  $f(x) \in L_2(K, \Lambda)$  and  $\hat{f}_m(x) \in \mathbb{M}_{2,m}(\tilde{P})$  be some projection estimator. ...

#### A.1.1. Proof of Lemma 2.1

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## APPENDIX B

## EXAMPLE

Hence, for any ...

$$V_m(N) = \sum_{j=N+1}^{\infty} c_j^2 + \mathbb{E} \sum_{j=0}^N (c_j - \hat{c}_{j,m}^0)^2.\tag{B.1}$$

Since ... we have

$$\hat{c}_{j,m}^0 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m (c_j + n_k^j) = c_j + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m n_k^j.\tag{B.2}$$

In view of...

### B.1. PROOF OF PROPOSITION 1

Hence, for any ...

$$V_m(N) = \sum_{j=N+1}^{\infty} c_j^2 + \mathbb{E} \sum_{j=0}^N (c_j - \hat{c}_{j,m}^0)^2.\tag{B.1.1}$$

Since ... we have

$$\hat{c}_{j,m}^0 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m (c_j + n_k^j) = c_j + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m n_k^j.\tag{B.1.2}$$

In view of...

### B.1.1. Proof of Corollary 2.1

Hence, for any ...

$$V_m(N) = \sum_{j=N+1}^{\infty} c_j^2 + \mathbb{E} \sum_{j=0}^N (c_j - \hat{c}_{j,m}^0)^2. \quad (\text{B.1.3})$$

Since ... we have

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In view of...

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