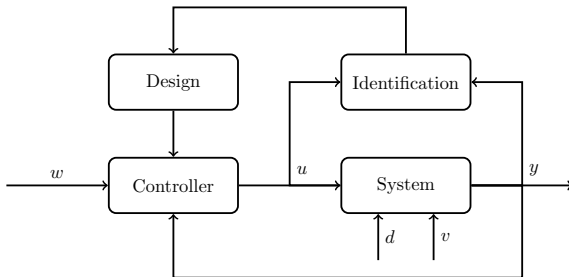


- ① ARX models
- ② ARX estimation
- ③ ARMAX estimation
- ④ ARMAX identification
- ⑤ ARMAX control
- ⑥ ARMAX adaptive control
- ⑦ Systems and control theory
- ⑧ Stochastic systems + SS estimation
- ⑨ SS estimation + control
- ⑩ SS control
- ⑪ To be decided ...
- ⑫ SS nonlinear estimation
- ⑬ SS nonlinear control



Today's Agenda



- Informative experiments
- Model validation

Informative experiments

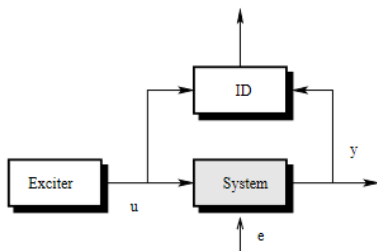
When attempting to identify a system, consider the following:

- ① What are the outputs?
- ② What are the inputs?
- ③ What are the disturbances?

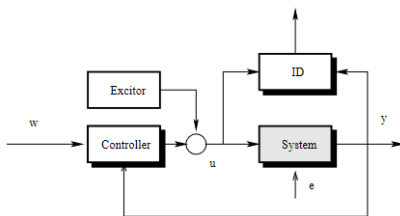
Also consider some practical aspects of the system

- ① What are we allowed to do?
- ② What type of model are we interested in?

Open Loop



Closed Loop



Informative Experiments - Objectives

For any system $\mathcal{S}$, we can construct a set of models $\mathcal{M}$ to describe it

$$\mathcal{S} : A_0(q^{-1})y_t = q^{-k_0}B_0(q^{-1})u_t + C_0(q^{-1})e_t + d_0 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \{A(q^{-1}, \theta), B(q^{-1}, \theta), C(q^{-1}, \theta), d | \theta \in \mathcal{D}\} \quad (2)$$

Ideally, the system should be included in the set of possible models

$$\mathcal{S} \in \mathcal{M} \quad (3)$$

Given two models in $\mathcal{M}$

$$\mathcal{M}_1 : A_1(q^{-1})y_t = q^{-k_1}B_1(q^{-1})u_t + C_1(q^{-1})e_t + d_1 \quad (4)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_2 : A_2(q^{-1})y_t = q^{-k_2}B_2(q^{-1})u_t + C_2(q^{-1})e_t + d_2 \quad (5)$$

we want to be able to determine which that describes the system better

Therefore, we need to perform an *informative* (open-loop) experiment

Persistency of excitation (very simplified)

We want to determine an input signal resulting in data that is *sufficiently informative* to distinguish between models of the same order

A signal which is $\text{pe}(n)$ cannot be filtered to zero by a filter of order $n - 1$, but n or higher might do it

$$u_t = \text{const} \neq 0, \text{ signal is pe}(1) \quad (6)$$

$$M_1(q^{-1}) = 1 - q^{-1} : M_1(q^{-1})u_t = u_t - u_{t-1} = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$M_0(q^{-1}) = 1 : M_0(q^{-1})u_t = u_t \neq 0 \quad (8)$$

Crest factor (for zero-mean signals)

$$C_r^2 = \frac{\max_t u_t^2}{\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N u_t^2} \quad (9)$$

The crest factor should be as low as possible (the minimum is 1)

For binary signals, $u_t = \pm \bar{u}$, the crest factor is minimum, $C_r^2 = 1$

Consequently, binary signals are useful for linear systems, but cannot, in general, handle nonlinear systems

$$A(q^{-1})y_t = B(q^{-1})f(u_t) + e_t, \quad (10)$$

$$f(u_t) = \alpha \cos(\pm \bar{u}) = \alpha \cos(\bar{u}) \quad (11)$$

Informative Experiments - common signals

Single harmonic signal

$$u_t = A \sin(\omega t), \quad (12)$$

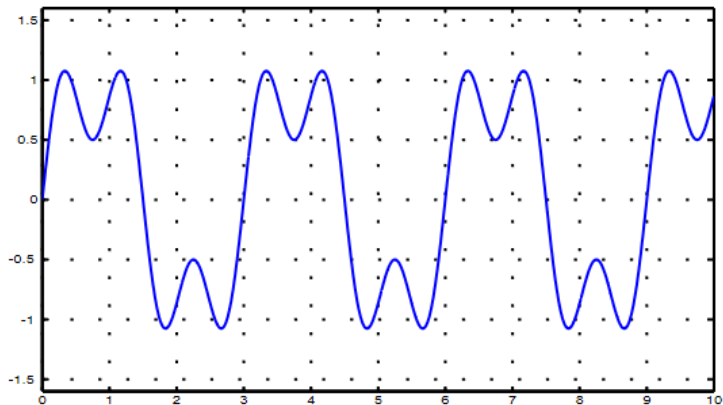
- Two non-zero frequency components in its spectrum (at $\pm\omega$)
- It is $\text{pe}(2)$
- Its crest factor is $C_r^2 = 2$

Sum of sines

$$u_t = \sum_{k=1}^n A_k \sin(\omega_k t + \phi_k) \quad (13)$$

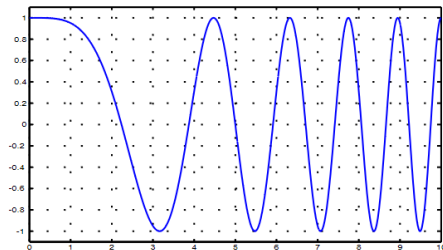
- Two components for each ω_k , so the signal is $\text{pe}(2n)$
- If $\omega_k = 0$ or $\omega_k = \frac{\pi}{T_s}$, the order goes down by 1 to $\text{pe}(2n - 1)$ (by 2 if both)
- The crest factor is, in the worst case, $C_r^2 = 2n$, and lowest if the sinusoids are maximally out of phase

Sum of 2 harmonics, with maximum phase difference (180°)



Single sine function: The chirp signal

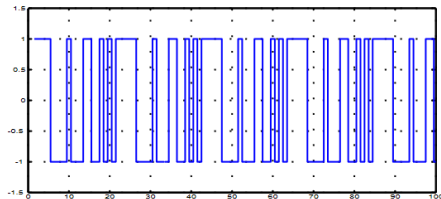
$$u_t = A \sin((w_0 + \alpha t)t), \quad C_r^2 = \sqrt{2} \quad (14)$$



PRBS signal

$$z_t = \text{mod}(B(q^{-1})z_{t-1}, 2) \quad (15)$$

B is order m and the signal has the maximum length $M = 2^m - 1$



- PRBS signals are deterministic, but have properties similar to those of white noise
- A PRBS signal is $\text{pe}(M - 1)$ and $C_r^2 = 1$

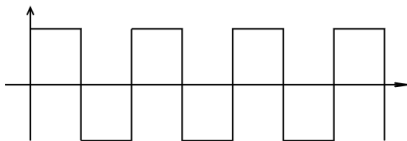
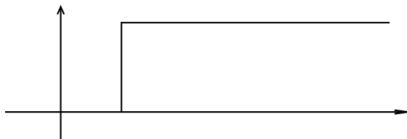
Alternative: Apply random Gaussian signals that are filtered/colored white noise signals

$$A(q^{-1})u_t = B(q^{-1})e_t, \quad e_t \sim N_{iid}(0, \sigma_u^2) \quad (16)$$

- In practice, we would have to use a truncated Gaussian to keep the control bounded, e.g., within $\pm 3\sigma$ ($\approx 99\%$ coverage), resulting in $C_r^2 = 3$
- Random binary signals can be generated by taking the sign of a suitable Random Gaussian signal

Informative Experiments - common signals

Step and square wave signals are also commonly used



For a step at time M and a square (both between d_0 and d_1)

$$C_r^2 = \frac{d_1^2}{\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M d_0^2 + (N-M) d_1^2}{N}} = \frac{d_1^2}{\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M}{N} d_0^2 + d_1^2} = 1, \quad C_r^2 = \frac{d_1^2}{\frac{1}{2} d_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} d_0^2}$$

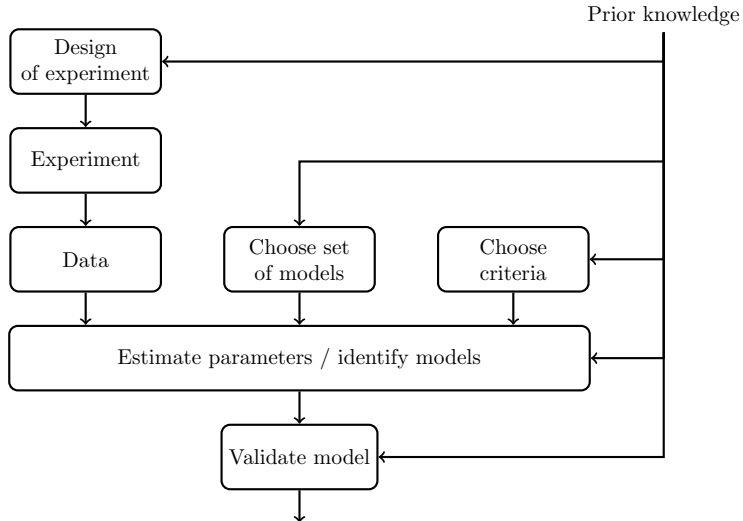
The pulse can also be represented as an infinite harmonic sum

Model validation

We now know how to estimate a model, but how do we check if it is correctly estimated when we don't know the true parameters?

Essentially, we are asking the following two questions

- ① Is our model too simple?
- ② Is our model too complex?



Three available quantities for validation

- ① the estimated parameters
- ② the uncertainty (the variance)
- ③ the undescribed model parts (the residuals)

The last is the source of measurement deviations

$$\text{measurement}(y) = \text{model}(\theta, u) + \text{residual}(\epsilon) \quad (17)$$

Question: Does our model have too many parameters?

Unbiased estimate

$$\hat{\theta} \sim \mathcal{F}(\theta, P) \quad (18)$$

θ_i is *significant* if it, with reasonable certainty, is different from zero

Model validation - parameter insignificant?

Use a *marginal parameter test* to validate that a parameter is significant

For sufficiently many measurements, the distribution approaches a normal distribution

$$\hat{\theta} \sim N(\theta, P) \quad (19)$$

If the following holds, θ_i is, with $(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence not insignificant

$$|\hat{\theta}_i| > f_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{P_{i,i}} \quad (20)$$

f_x is the x th quantile of the standard normal distribution. This approach requires that the variance, P , is known

Model validation - parameter insignificant?

If the variance, P , was estimated, use the t-distribution

$$z_i = \frac{\hat{\theta}_i}{\sqrt{P_{i,i}}} \sim t(N - d_p) \quad (21)$$

d_p is the number of parameters and N is the number of measurements

If the following holds, θ_i is, with $(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence not insignificant

$$|\hat{\theta}_i| > f_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^t(N - d_p) \sqrt{P_{i,i}} \quad (22)$$

f_x^t is the x th quantile of the t-distribution. Again, if $N \gg d_p$, this will approach the normal distribution

Model Validation - Multiple Insignificant Parameters?

More than one parameter might be insignificant, but we cannot tell whether its some or all

But we can test whether all parameters in a subset θ_b are significant

$$\hat{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\theta}_a \\ \hat{\theta}_b \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left(\begin{bmatrix} \theta_a \\ \theta_b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} P_a & P_{ab} \\ P_{ab}^T & P_b \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad (23)$$

Test statistic for the hypothesis of insignificant parameters ($\theta_b = 0$)

$$z_b = \hat{\theta}_b^T P_b^{-1} \hat{\theta}_b \sim F(d_b, N - d_p) \quad (24)$$

If the following holds, all parameters in θ_b are, with $(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence significant

$$z_b > f_{1-\alpha}^F(d_b, N - d_p) \quad (25)$$

d_b is the size of the subset and f_x^F is the x th quantile of the F-distribution. For large N , we can apply a $\chi^2(d_b)$ instead of the F-distribution

Distribution of parameter estimates

$$\begin{bmatrix} \theta_a \\ \theta_b \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left(\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\theta}_a \\ \hat{\theta}_b \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} P_a & P_{ab} \\ P_{ab}^T & P_b \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad (26)$$

If a subset of the parameters, $\hat{\theta}_b$, is insignificant, we can reduce the model using the projection theorem

$$\theta_a | \theta_b \sim N(\hat{\theta}_a, \bar{P}_a) \quad (27)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_a = \hat{\theta}_a - P_{ab}^T P_b^{-1} \hat{\theta}_b \quad (28)$$

$$\bar{P}_a = P_a - P_{ab} P_b^{-1} P_{ab}^T \quad (29)$$

Insignificant: singular analysis of the variance matrix P

Most estimation methods involve solving linear equations in the form

$$H\hat{\theta} = g \quad (30)$$

H is a measure of the data set related to the variance, $H^{-1} = P$

$$P = \left(\sum_{i=0}^N \psi_i \psi_i^T \right)^{-1} \sigma^2 \quad (31)$$

- If a model is overparameterized, then (in the ideal case) H will be singular
- In the less ideal case, H is invertible, but has eigenvalues that are significantly smaller than the rest

$$\text{eig}(H)_i \ll \text{eig}(H)_j \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \text{eig}(P)_i \gg \text{eig}(P)_j \quad (32)$$

- This requires that the system is sufficiently excited – insufficiently excited systems will result in similar issues

Another way to evaluate if a model is overparameterized is to consider the condition number of its variance.

$$\text{cond}(P) = \frac{|\lambda_{\max}|}{|\lambda_{\min}|}, \quad \lambda = \text{eig}(P) \quad (33)$$

where $\lambda_{\min}$ and $\lambda_{\max}$ are the smallest and largest eigenvalues of P

If $\text{cond}(P)$ is large, it indicates overparameterization

Example:

$$\text{Model 1: } \text{cond}(P_1) = 1000 \quad (34)$$

$$\text{Model 2: } \text{cond}(P_2) = 40 \quad (35)$$

Model 1 appears to be too complex, while model 2 is more balanced

Zeros and poles: Cancellation?

If the model is overparameterized, some zeros and poles might be close to each other

$$y_t = H_{yu}(q)u_t + H_{ye}(q)e_t \quad (36)$$

Use linearization to approximate uncertainty in zero and poles

$$\hat{p}_i = f_i(\hat{\theta}) \simeq f_i(\theta) + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \theta} \tilde{\theta}, \quad \tilde{\theta} \sim N(0, P), \quad (37)$$

$$\hat{p}_i \sim N \left(p_i, \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \theta} P \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \theta} \right)^T \right) \quad (38)$$

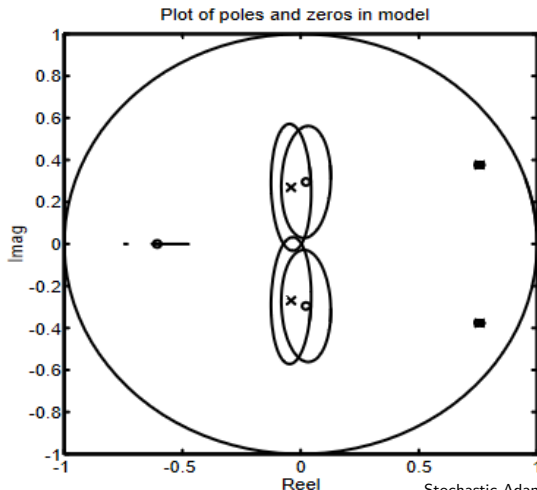
If the confidence intervals of a pole and a zero overlap, it is a strong indication that they cancel each other out

Hint: Use Matlab's `zppplot`

Zeros and poles: Example of cancellation

$$(1 - 1.5q^{-1} + 0.7q^{-2})y_t = (1 - 0.5q^{-1})u_t + e_t \quad (39)$$

$$(1 - a_1q^{-1} + \dots + a_4q^{-4})y_t = (b_0 + \dots + b_3q^{-3})u_t + e_t \quad (40)$$



Residual Analysis

Question: Is the model too simple?

Residuals

$$\text{measurement}(y) = \text{model}(\theta, u) + \text{residual}(\epsilon) \quad (41)$$

For a perfect model, the residuals would have the following properties

- ❶ $\epsilon_t \sim \mathcal{F}(0, \sigma^2)$.
- ❷ ϵ_t has a symmetric distribution
- ❸ ϵ_t is white
- ❹ ϵ_t is uncorrelated with current and prior inputs

Equivalently (in terms of co-variance functions)

$$r_{\epsilon}(k) = \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_{t+k}\epsilon_t] = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 & k = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad r_{\epsilon_t, u_t}(k) = \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_{t+k}u_t] = 0 \quad (42)$$

Important: use one data set for *estimation* and another for the *validation* (cross-validation)

Residual Analysis - mean and variance test

Simple approach: Test whether the distribution of the residuals has the right mean and variance

If the below holds, the residuals are not zero mean

$$|\bar{\epsilon}| > f_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^t(M-1) \sqrt{\frac{S^2}{M}}, \quad (43)$$

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \epsilon_i, \quad S^2 = \frac{1}{M-1} \sum_{i=1}^M (\epsilon_i - \bar{\epsilon})^2 \quad (44)$$

If either of the below hold, the variance is time-varying

$$\frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} < f_{\alpha/2}^F(M_1, M_2) \text{ or } \frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} > f_{1-\alpha/2}^F(M_1, M_2), \quad (45)$$

$$S_i^2 = \frac{1}{M_i} \sum_{j=1}^{M_i} \epsilon_{i+j}^2 \quad (46)$$

Note: The intervals must be non-overlapping

Test for whiteness: The number of sign changes, z , should follow (M is the number of data points)

$$z \sim N\left(\frac{M-1}{2}, \frac{M-1}{4}\right) \quad (47)$$

We reject the hypothesis if either of the below holds

$$z < \frac{M-1}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{M-1}{4}} f_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^N \text{ or } z > \frac{M-1}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{M-1}{4}} f_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^N \quad (48)$$

That is, the hypothesis is rejected if the test statistic is outside the confidence interval

Residual Analysis - test of co-variance function

Alternative test for whiteness: The auto-covariance must be in the form

$$r_{\epsilon}(k) = \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_{t+k}\epsilon_t] = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 & k = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (49)$$

Estimates of auto-covariance and auto-correlation

$$\hat{r}_{\epsilon}(k) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{t=1}^{M-k} \epsilon_{t+k}\epsilon_t, \quad \hat{\rho}_{\epsilon}(k) = \frac{\hat{r}_{\epsilon}(k)}{\hat{r}_{\epsilon}(0)} \quad (50)$$

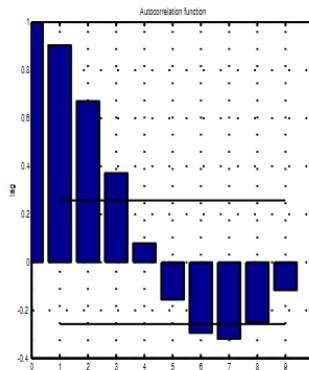
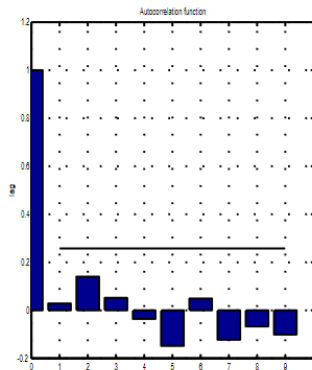
Test the covariance at each time step

$$H_0 : \quad \sqrt{M}\hat{\rho}_{\epsilon}(k) \sim N(0, 1), \text{ reject if } |\hat{\rho}_{\epsilon}(k)| > \frac{f_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^N}{\sqrt{M}} \quad (51)$$

Test if the covariance is zero for $k \neq 0$

$$H_0 : \quad z = M \sum_{i=1}^m \hat{\rho}_{\epsilon}^2(i) \sim \chi^2(m), \text{ reject if } z > f_{1-\alpha}^{\chi^2}(m) \quad (52)$$

Residual Analysis - test of autocorrelation



Residual Analysis - cross-covariance function test

Test the cross-covariance

$$r_{\epsilon,u}(k) = \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_{t+k}u_t] = 0 \quad (53)$$

Cross-covariance and cross-correlation

$$\hat{r}_{\epsilon,u}(k) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M-k} \epsilon_{t+k}u_t, \quad \hat{\rho}_{\epsilon,u}(k) = \frac{\hat{r}_{\epsilon,u}(k)}{\sqrt{\hat{r}_{\epsilon}(0)\hat{r}_u(0)}} \quad (54)$$

Marginal test of the cross-covariance

$$H_0 : \quad \sqrt{M}\hat{\rho}_{\epsilon,u}(k) \sim N(0,1), \text{ reject if } |\hat{\rho}_{\epsilon,u}(k)| > \frac{f_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^N}{\sqrt{M}} \quad (55)$$

Check if the covariance is zero for $k \neq 0$

$$H_0 : \quad z = M \sum_{i=1}^m \hat{\rho}_{\epsilon,u}^2(i) \sim \chi^2(m), \text{ reject if } z > f_{1-\alpha}^{\chi^2}(m) \quad (56)$$

Residual Analysis - model comparison tests

Question: Can we validate a model using a single data set?

Coefficient of determination

$$R^2 = \frac{J_0 - J(\hat{\theta})}{J_0} \quad (57)$$

$$J_0 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^M (y_i - \bar{y})^2, \quad J(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^M \epsilon_i^2 \quad (58)$$

$J(\hat{\theta})$ is the loss-function and a perfect model results in $R^2 = 1$. Lower values of R^2 indicate worse models

Alternative loss functions

$$W(\hat{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^M \epsilon_i^2, \quad W_M(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \epsilon_i^2 \quad (59)$$

The loss functions are monotonically non-increasing with model complexity

Residual Analysis - model comparison: F-test

Objective: Compare two model classes, $\mathcal{M}_1$ and $\mathcal{M}_2$ using the F-test

Hypothesis: $\mathcal{M}_{\text{true}} \subset \mathcal{M}_1 \subset \mathcal{M}_2$ where $d_2 \geq d_1$ are the number of model parameters. Consequently, the loss-function $J_i = J_i(\hat{\theta})$ does not decrease significantly by increasing the model size if $\mathcal{M}_1 \subset \mathcal{M}_2$

Test statistic

$$H_0 : z = \frac{J_1 - J_2}{J_2} \frac{M - d_2}{d_2 - d_1} \sim F(d_2 - d_1, M - d_2) \quad (60)$$

Reject hypothesis if

$$z > f_{1-\alpha}^F(d_2 - d_1, M - d_2) \quad (61)$$

Residual Analysis - model comparison: Information Criteria

Information criteria

- ① Akaike's Information Criterion (AIC); tends towards higher complexity

$$AIC = \left(1 + \frac{2d}{M}\right) W_M \quad (62)$$

- ② Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC);

$$BIC = \left(1 + \frac{\log(M)d}{M}\right) W_M \quad (63)$$

- ③ Akaike's Final Prediction Error (FPE) Criterion; expresses the variance of the prediction error, also $FPE \rightarrow AIC, M \gg d$

$$FPE = \frac{M+d}{M-d} W_M = \left(1 + \frac{2d}{M-d}\right) W_M \quad (64)$$

If two models have the same d , choose the one with the lowest loss function

Questions?