

Model Reduction for Dynamic Connectivity Models

About

Dynamic Connectivity Models

In the neurosciences dynamic connectivity models describe the mesoscale information propagation between brain regions in terms of associated functional measurements. A network submodel models the average neuronal activity, which a forward submodel transforms to the observable measurements.

Model Order Reduction

Model order reduction refers to the process of computing low-dimensional surrogate models exhibiting the same dynamics as the original model. In this setting, gramian-based combined parametric state-space reduction and parameter-space reduction for nonlinear input-output systems is considered [1].

Dynamic Causal Modelling

Dynamic causal modelling [2] is a framework for hypothesis testing based on bayesian inference constrained by dynamic connectivity models, which are given by nonlinear input-output systems. The network submodel's connectivity is parametrized and inferred from functional measurements.

- Stimulus Experiments

$$u(t) \xrightarrow{?} y(t)$$

- Functional neuroimaging:

- EEG & MEG
- fMRI & fNIRS

Correlation: ✗
Causality: ✓



1. Record Data

Start here!

2. Setup Model



- Data model with Gaussian noise:

$$y_d(t) = y(t; \theta) + \varepsilon$$

- Network and Forward model:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}(t) &= f(x(t), u(t), \theta) \\ y(t) &= g(x(t), u(t), \theta) \end{aligned}$$

State Reduction

- Large state-space, small input- and output-spaces:

$$N := \dim(x(t)) \gg 1$$

$$M := \dim(u(t)) \ll N, Q := \dim(y(t)) \ll N$$

- Truncated-projection-based model reduction:

$$x_r(t) = Vx(t) \rightarrow x(t) \approx Ux_r(t)$$

- Target reduced order model property:

$$\|y(\theta) - y_r(\theta)\| \ll 1$$

- Empirical-Gramian-based model order reduction:

$$x^{m=1\dots M}(t), y^{n=1\dots N}(t)$$

- Empirical cross Gramian [4]:

$$W_X = \sum_{m=1}^M \int \Psi^m(t) dt \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}, \Psi_{ij}^m = \langle x_i^m(t), y_j^m(t) \rangle$$

- Non-symmetric (average) cross Gramian:

$$W_Z = \sum_{i=1}^M \sum_{j=1}^Q W_{X,ij}$$

- Direct Truncation:

$$W_X \stackrel{\text{TSVD}}{=} UDV \rightarrow V := U^T$$

2a. Combined Reduction

(Combined State and Parameter Reduction)

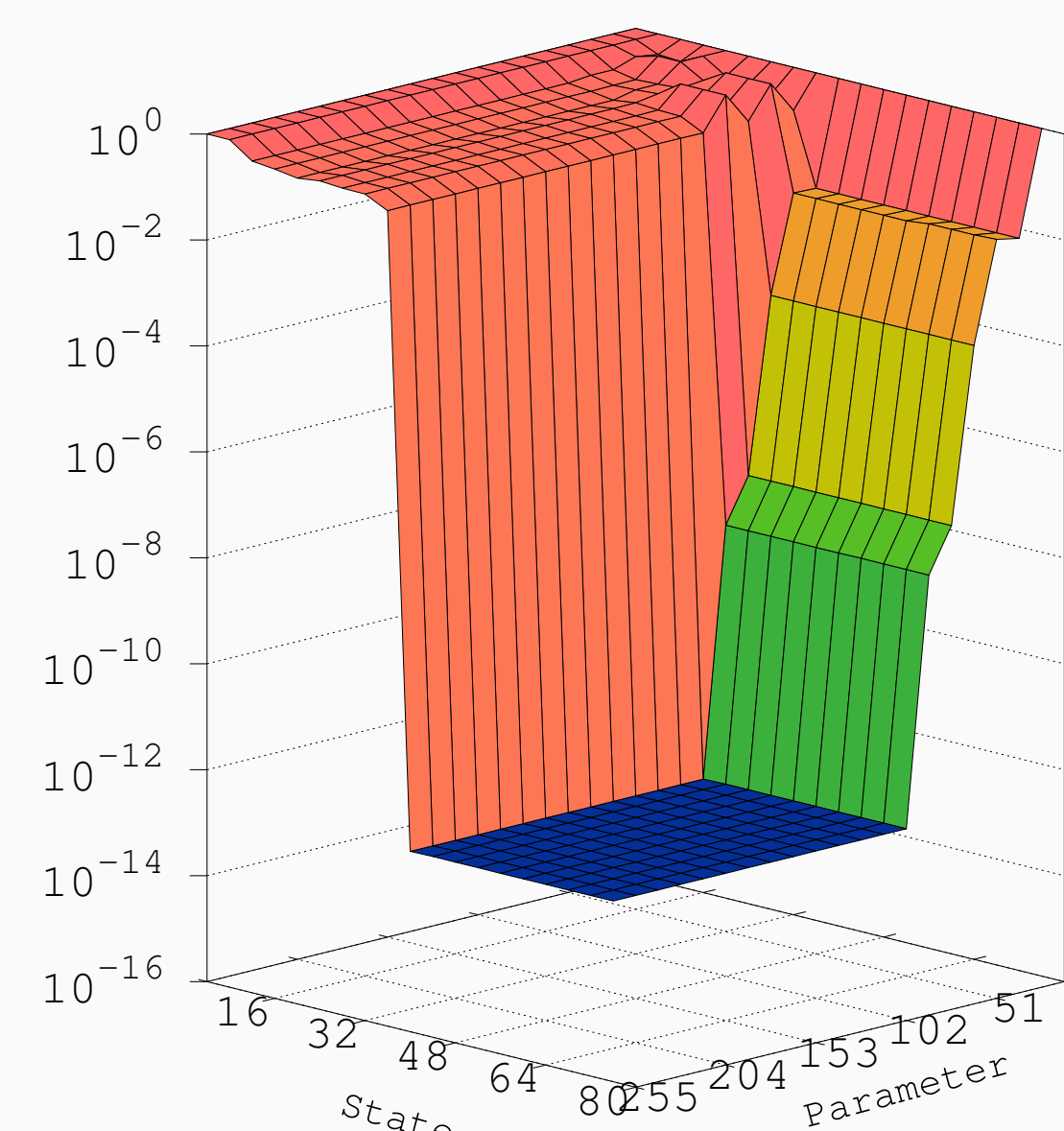


Fig. 1: Relative L_2 combined reduction (output) error for varying reduced state and parameter dimension of the fMRI & fNIRS dynamic causal model from [2].

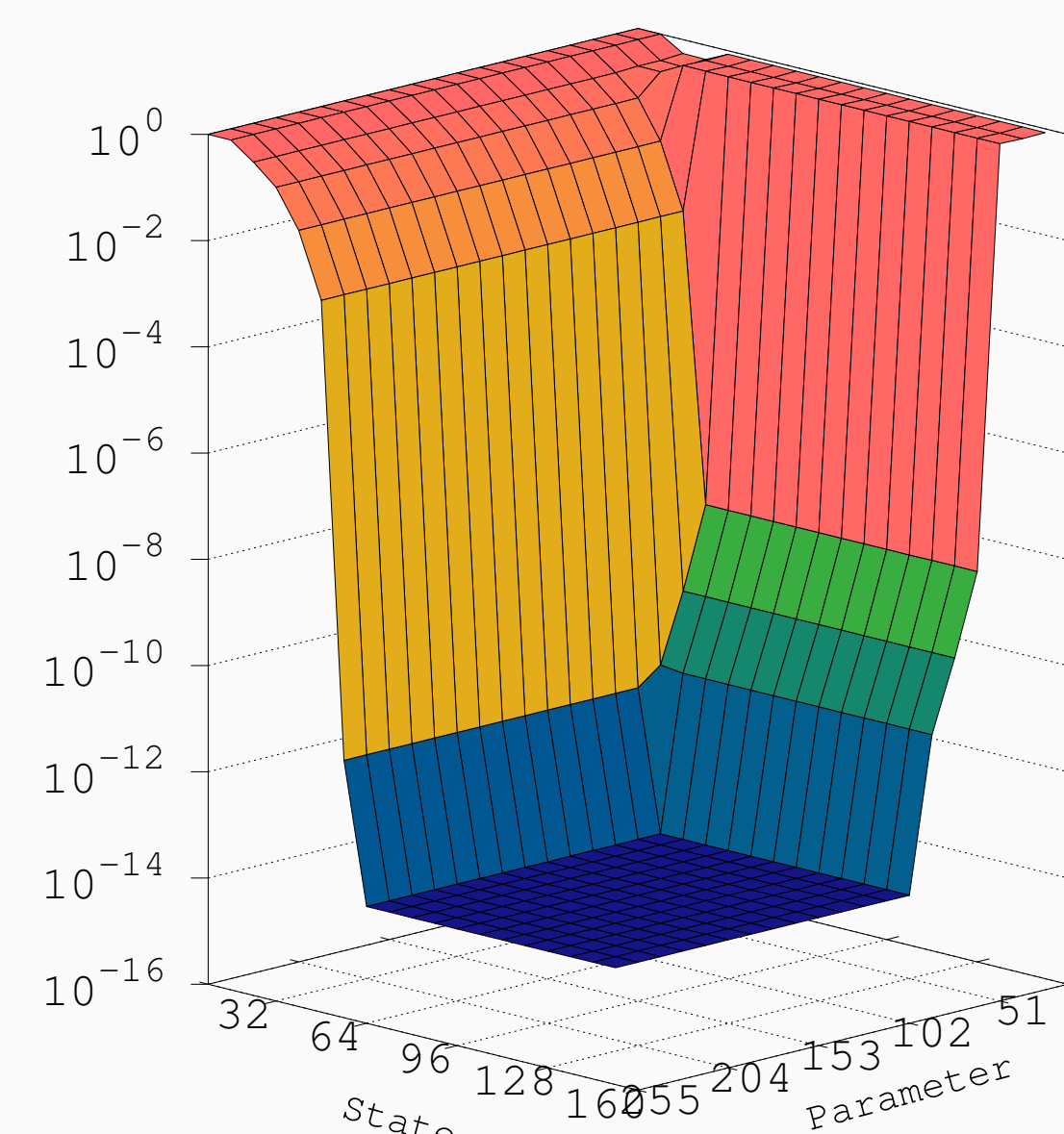


Fig. 2: Relative L_2 combined reduction (output) error for varying reduced state and parameter dimension of the EEG & MEG dynamic causal model from [3].

Parameter Reduction

- High dimensional parameter-space:

$$\dim(\theta) \gg 1$$

- Truncated-projection-based model reduction:

$$\theta_r(t) := \Lambda\theta \rightarrow \theta \approx \Pi\theta_r$$

- Target reduced order model property:

$$\|y(\theta) - y_r(\theta_r)\| \ll 1$$

- Augmented System:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(x(t), u(t), \theta) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Empirical cross-identifiability Gramian [4]:

$$W_J = \begin{pmatrix} W_X & W_m \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow W_{\tilde{J}} = W_m^T (W_X + W_X^T)^{-1} W_m$$

- Direct Truncation:

$$W_{\tilde{J}} \stackrel{\text{TSVD}}{=} \Pi\Delta\Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda := \Pi^T$$

- Reduced Order Model:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_r(t) &= V f(Ux_r(t), u(t), \Pi\theta_r) \\ y_r(t) &= g(Ux_r(t), u(t), \Pi\theta_r) \end{aligned}$$

- Bayesian inference:

$$P(\theta|y) \propto P(y|\theta)P(\theta)$$

- Optimization of posterior:

$$P(\theta|y) \propto \arg \min_{\theta} \|y_d - y(\theta)\|_{L_2}^2 + \beta \|\theta\|_2^2$$



3. Inverse Problem

4. Evaluation



- Maximum-A-Posteriori Estimate:

$$\text{vec}^{-1}(P(\theta|y))$$

- Model comparison based on model evidence

$$P(y(\theta_1)) \stackrel{?}{>} P(y(\theta_2))$$

Summary & Conclusion

- Respective sources for cross-gramian-based information extraction:

- State-space reduction: input-to-output coherence
- Parameter-space reduction: state-to-output coherence

- The empirical-cross-gramian-based combined state and parameter reduction applies to any model of the form:

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t), \theta), \quad y(t) = g(x(t), u(t), \theta)$$

- For the dynamic causal models, low-dimensional spaces contain the principal information.

What's Next?

- Instead of specific models for each neuroimaging technique:

- A universal connectivity model;

- promising candidate: Hyperbolic Network Model [5]:

$$\dot{x}(t) = A(\theta) \tanh(Kx(t)) + Bu(t), \quad y(t) = Cx(t)$$

- Preliminary results show:

- Works well for EEG & MEG due to the similar nonlinearities
- Has to be tuned for fMRI & fNIRS.

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The presented numerical results are part of [1] and can be reproduced using the companion code:

