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- Let's approximate nonlinear system Gramians empirically!



1. From Linear to Nonlinear
2. Empirical Gramians
3. Numerical Experiments

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

$$y(t) = g(t, x(t), u(t), \theta)$$

- $u : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$

- $x : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$

- $y : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^Q$

- $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^P$

Model ↓ Reduction

$$\dot{x}_r(t) = f_r(t, x_r(t), u(t), \theta)$$

$$\tilde{y}(t) = g_r(t, x_r(t), u(t), \theta)$$

- $x_r : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

- $\|y - \tilde{y}\| \ll 1$



Recap: Linear System Gramians

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Cross Gramian:

$$W_X := \int_0^{\infty} e^{At} BC e^{At} dt$$

Impulse response:

$$g(t) = e^{At} B$$

System Gramians via impulse responses:

$$\begin{aligned} W_C &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{At} B B^T e^{A^T t} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} (e^{At} B)(e^{At} B)^T dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} g(t)g(t)^T dt \end{aligned}$$

Perturbation Sets:

- Directions: $e^z \in \mathbb{R}^Z, e_i^z = \delta_{iz}$
- Scales: $c_k > 0$
- Rotations: $R_\ell \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times Z}, R_\ell^\top R_\ell = \mathbb{1}$

Perturbation Types:

- Component Perturbations: $Z = M, R_\ell = \{\mathbb{1}, -\mathbb{1}\}$
- Factorial Perturbations: $Z = 2^M$
- ...

Example: Controllability Gramian

$$W_C = \int_0^{\infty} \Psi(t) dt$$
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$$\widehat{W}_C = \int_0^{\infty} \Psi(t) dt$$
$$\Psi(t) = x(t)x(t)^\top$$

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$$\widehat{W}_C = \int_0^{\infty} \Psi(t) dt$$
$$\Psi(t) = (x(t) - \bar{x})(x(t) - \bar{x})^T$$

- $\bar{x} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) dt$

Example: Controllability Gramian

$$\widehat{W}_C = \sum_{m=1}^M \int_0^{\infty} \Psi^m(t) dt$$

$$\Psi^m(t) = (x^m(t) - \bar{x}^m)(x^m(t) - \bar{x}^m)^\top$$

- $\bar{x}^m = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x^m(t) dt$
- $x^m(t)$ trajectory for $u(t) = e^m \delta(t)$

Example: Controllability Gramian

$$\widehat{W}_C = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{1}{c_k^2} \int_0^{\infty} \Psi^{km}(t) dt$$

$$\Psi^{km}(t) = (x^{km}(t) - \bar{x}^{km})(x^{km}(t) - \bar{x}^{km})^\top$$

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Example: Controllability Gramian

$$\widehat{W}_C = \frac{1}{KL} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{\ell=1}^L \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{1}{c_k^2} \int_0^{\infty} \Psi^{k\ell m}(t) dt$$

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Empirical Controllability Gramian¹:

$$\widehat{W}_C := \frac{1}{KL} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{\ell=1}^L \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{1}{c_k^2} \int_0^\infty \Psi^{k\ell m}(t) dt$$

$$\Psi^{k\ell m}(t) = (x^{k\ell m}(t) - \bar{x}^{k\ell m})(x^{k\ell m}(t) - \bar{x}^{k\ell m})^\top$$

- with state trajectories $x^{k\ell m}$ for
- zero initial condition $x(0) = 0$,
- and impulse input $u(t) = c_k R_\ell e^m \delta(t)$.

¹S. Lall, J.E. Marsden, S. Glavaški. **Empirical Model Reduction of Controlled Nonlinear Systems**. IFAC Proceedings Volumes (Proceedings of the 14th IFAC World Congress) 32(2): 2598–2603, 1999. doi:10.1016/S1474-6670(17)56442-3

Empirical Gramians are ...

- ... equal to the classic Gramians for linear systems;
- ... not equal to the system Gramians of the linearized system;
- ... time-limited Gramians only if no steady-state is reached;
- ... similar to POD, especially the controllability Gramian;
- ... related to balanced POD, for low-rank empirical Gramians.

Empirical System Gramians²:

- Empirical Controllability Gramian
- Empirical Observability Gramian
- Empirical Linear Cross Gramian
- Empirical Cross Gramian
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- Empirical Identifiability Gramian
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Empirical Cross Gramian³:

$$\widehat{W}_X := \frac{1}{KL} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{\ell=1}^L \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{1}{c_k d_\ell} \int_0^\infty \Psi^{k\ell m}(t) dt$$
$$\Psi_{ij}^{k\ell m}(t) = (x_i^{km}(t) - \bar{x}_i^{km})(y_m^{\ell j}(t) - \bar{y}_m^{\ell j})$$

- using component perturbations and entailing simplifications.
- Input perturbations for state trajectories x^{km} .
- Initial state perturbations for output trajectories $y^{\ell j}$.

³C. H., M. Ohlberger. **Cross-Gramian-Based Combined State and Parameter Reduction for Large-Scale Control Systems.** *Mathematical Problems in Engineering* 2014: 843869, 2014. doi:10.1155/2014/843869

Partitioned Computation:

$$\widehat{W}_X = (\hat{w}_1 \quad \dots \quad \hat{w}_N)$$

$$\hat{w}_n = \frac{1}{KL} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{\ell=1}^L \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{1}{c_k d_\ell} \int_0^\infty \psi^{k\ell mn}(t) dt$$

$$\psi_i^{k\ell mn}(t) = (x_i^{km}(t) - \bar{x}_i^{km})(y_m^{\ell n}(t) - \bar{y}_m^{\ell n})$$

- Empirical cross Gramian can be computed column-wise.
- Incremental decompositions for a low-rank cross Gramian.
- Hierarchical Approximate Proper Orthogonal Decomposition⁴.

⁴C. H. and T. Leibner and S. Rave. **Hierarchical Approximate Proper Orthogonal Decomposition**. SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing; Accepted, 2018.

Sequential Computation:

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{W}_C &:= (\widetilde{w}_1 \quad \dots \quad \widetilde{w}_Q) \\ \widetilde{w}_q &= \frac{1}{c_k(q)^2} \int_0^\infty \psi^{k(q)\ell(q)m(q)}(t) dt \\ \psi^{k\ell m}(t) &= (x^{k\ell m}(t) - \bar{x}^{k\ell m})(x^{k\ell m}(t) - \bar{x}^{k\ell m})^\top \end{aligned}$$

- $W_C = W_C^\top \geq 0$, $W_O = W_O^\top \geq 0$.
- Incremental HAPOD for low-rank SVD of W_C , W_O .
- Balanced POD⁵.

⁵C.W. Rowley. **Model Reduction for Fluids, Using Balanced Proper Orthogonal Decomposition**. International Journal of Bifurcation and Chaos 15(3): 997–1013, 2005. doi:10.1142/S0218127405012429



■ Empirical Controllability Gramian HAPOD:

1. Compute state trajectory x^q .
2. Compute POD modes of $(x^q \quad \tilde{x}^{q-1})$.
3. Scale POD modes with singular values (\tilde{x}^q) .

■ Empirical Observability Gramian HAPOD:

1. Compute output trajectories y^n .
2. Compute “right” modes of $(y^n \quad \tilde{y}^{n-1})$.
3. Scale “right” modes with singular values (\tilde{y}^n) .

■ Balancing Transformation:

1. Compute $Z = Y^\top X$.
2. SVD via method of snapshots.

Isothermal Euler Equations⁶:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = -\frac{1}{S} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} q$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} q = -S \frac{\partial}{\partial x} p - Sg\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h - \frac{\lambda}{2DS} \frac{q|q|}{\rho}$$

$$p = R_S T_0 z \rho$$

- Density: $\rho(x, t)$
- Mass-Flux: $q(x, t)$
- Pressure: $p(x, t)$
- Elevation: $h(x)$
- Constants: S, g, D
- Parameters: T_0, R_S
- Friction Factor: $\lambda(q)$
- Compressibility Factor: $z(p, T)$

⁶P. Benner, S. Grundel, C. H., C. Huck, T. Streubel, C. Tischendorf. **Gas Network Benchmark Models**. In: Differential-Algebraic Equation Forum, 2018. doi:10.1007/11221_2018_5

Decoupled and spatially discretized model:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= A(\theta)x(t) + f(x(t), \theta) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t)\end{aligned}$$

- Networks of pipes \rightarrow Kirchhoff rules⁷
- Always square \rightarrow Cross Gramian
- Friction nonlinearity \rightarrow Empirical Gramians
- Stiff linear part \rightarrow IMEX Solver
- Multi-scale behavior \rightarrow Structured Reduction

⁷T.P. Azevedo-Perdicoúlis and G. Jank. **Modelling Aspects of Describing a Gas Network Through a DAE System.** 3rd IFAC Symposium on System Structure and Control 40(20): 40–45, 2007. doi:10.3182/20071017-3-BR-2923.00007

Test Network:

- Distribution network
- Tree topology
- Single supply
- Multiple demands
- About 700 DoFs

Test Scenario:

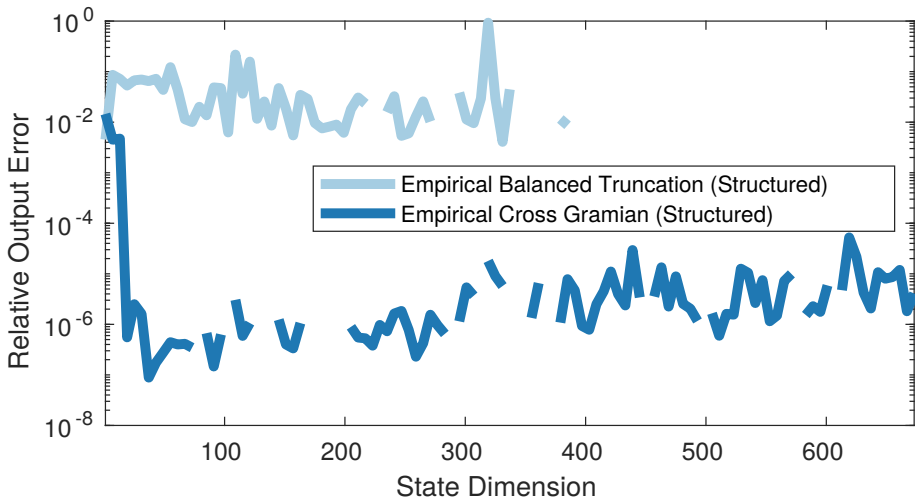
- Parameter setting
- Pressure at supply nodes
- Mass-flow at demand nodes
- 24 h time horizon
- 1 min time resolution

Offline:

1. Design input and parameter samples.
2. Compute empirical Gramians,
3. for short time horizons (< 1 h).
4. Compute projections from Gramians.

Online:

1. Design scenarios.
2. Simulate scenarios,
3. for long time horizons (24 h).



- Compare polynomial and empirical Gramians.
- Connect polynomial with empirical Gramians.
- Dominant subspaces⁸ instead of balancing.
- System indices for nonlinear systems.
- More automation.

⁸T. Penzl. **Algorithms for model reduction of large dynamical systems**. Linear Algebra and its Applications, 415(2–3): 322–343, 2006. doi:10.1016/j.laa.2006.01.007

Take-home message:

- Empirical Gramians are
- universal in application and
- simple in computation.

<https://himpe.science>

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Features:

- Interfaces for: Solver, inner product kernels & low-rank computation
- Open-source OCTAVE and MATLAB toolbox
- Configurable, Vectorized and parallelizable

More info: <https://gramian.de>

⁹C. H. emgr – The Empirical Gramian Framework. Algorithms 11(7): 91, 2018. doi:10.3390/a11070091