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# **Convex Approximations for a Bi-level Formulation of Data-Enabled Predictive Control**

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## **Overview**

- Two main data-driven control methods
- **Indirect Data-driven Control:** 
  - Data  $\rightarrow$  model + uncertainty  $\rightarrow$  control
- Direct Data-driven Control: Bypassing models, directly design controllers from data

- **Model Predictive Control (Indirect)** •
- t+N-1 $\sum (\|y(k) - y_{\rm r}(k)\|_Q^2 + \|u(k)\|_R^2)$ min x, u, y
- Data-EnablEd Predictive Control (Direct)



Data-EnablEd Predictive Control (DeePC) (Coulson, 2019)

**Combine Willem's fundamental lemma with predictive control** 



Power System (Huang, 2022)







Key Insight: Model and data are coupled: we can



Method 2: DeePC-SVD (Zhang, 2023):

*DeePC-SVD* decreases the column dimension of pre-collected trajectory library by

subject to 
$$x(k+1) = A x(k) + B u(k), \quad k \in [t, t+N-1]$$
  
 $y(k) = C x(k) + D u(k), \quad k \in [t, t+N-1]$   
 $x(t) = x_{ini},$   
 $u(k) \in \mathcal{U}, \quad y(k) \in \mathcal{V}, \quad k \in [t, t+N-1]$ 

to 
$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{\mathsf{P}} \\ Y_{\mathsf{P}} \\ U_{\mathsf{F}} \\ Y_{\mathsf{F}} \end{bmatrix} g = \begin{bmatrix} u_{\mathsf{ini}} \\ y_{\mathsf{ini}} \\ u \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$
$$u \in \mathcal{U}, y \in \mathcal{Y}$$

 $u(\kappa) \in \mathcal{U}, \ y(\kappa) \in \mathcal{Y},$ тŀ

## **Problem Statement**

#### Adaptations for non-linear systems:

- 1) More data to increase accuracy
- 2) Extra slack variables to ensure feasibility
- Different Regularization terms to increase 3) the control performance



#### **Existing Methods:**

subject

- **Regularization terms**: l<sub>1</sub>-norm, l<sub>2</sub>-norm, projection norm
- **Dimension reduction**: singular value decomposition (SVD), kernel representation

#### In this paper, we are interested in:

- How to combine different variants in a same framework?
- What are their relationships?  $\bullet$
- How to further improve the Data-EnablEd predictive control?

Multi-agent System

(Fawcett, 2021)

pre-process the data based on the corresponding model

#### **Bi-level formulation (Dörfler, 2022):**

**Inner:** data pre-processing, cost function and constraints developed from system ID **Outer:** predictive control, extra slack variables for handling model mismatch

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minimize: control cost (u, y)
 subject to: (u, y) consistent with (\bar{u}_d, \bar{y}_d)
 where: (\bar{u}_d, \bar{y}_d) is the optimal solution of
              minimize: Pre-processing Cost (\bar{u}_d, \bar{y}_d, u_d, y_d)
              subject to: Constraints from system identification:
                                Row Space, Rank Number, Hankel Structure
                                  t+N-1
                                 \sum_{k=t} (\|y(k) - y_r(k)\|_Q^2 + \|u(k)\|_R^2) + \lambda_y \|\sigma_y\|_2^2
\substack{\text{minimize}\\ \boldsymbol{g}, \sigma_{y}, \boldsymbol{u} \in \mathcal{U}, y \in \mathcal{Y}}
                                 \tilde{H}^*g = \operatorname{col}(u_{\operatorname{ini}}, y_{\operatorname{ini}} + \sigma_y, u, y),
      subject to
                                where \tilde{H}^* \in \arg\min_{\tilde{H}} J(\tilde{H}, H),
                                                 subject to \tilde{Y}_{F} = Y_{F}/\text{col}(\tilde{U}_{P}, \tilde{Y}_{P}, \tilde{U}_{F}) (Row Space),
                                                                    \operatorname{rank}(\tilde{H}) = mL + n
                                                                                                           (Rank Number),
                                                                     \tilde{H} \in \mathcal{H}
                                                                                                            (Hankel Structure).
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#### Method 1: DeePC-Hybrid (Dörfler, 2022):

*DeePC-Hybrid* relaxes the rank constraint and the row space constraint while keeping the Hankel structure

$$\min_{\substack{g,\sigma_y,u\in\mathcal{U},y\in\mathcal{Y}\\ |Y_{\mathsf{P}}|}} \|u\|_{R}^{2} + \|y\|_{Q}^{2} + \lambda_{1}\|\|g\|_{1} + \lambda_{2}\|(I - \Pi_{1})g\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda_{y}\|\sigma_{y}\|_{2}^{2}$$

$$\left[\begin{matrix}U_{\mathsf{P}}\\Y_{\mathsf{P}}\end{matrix}\right] \begin{bmatrix}u_{\mathsf{ini}}\\v_{\mathsf{ini}} + \sigma_{\mathsf{ini}}\end{matrix}\right]$$

$$\operatorname{Rank:}_{\operatorname{rank}(\tilde{H}) = mL + n$$

utilizing singular value decomposition (SVD) and drops Hankel structure

$$\min_{\bar{g},\sigma_y,u\in\mathcal{U},y\in\mathcal{Y}} \|u\|_R^2 + \|y\|_Q^2 + \lambda_1 \|\bar{g}\|_1 + \lambda_2 \|(I-\bar{\Pi}_1)\bar{g}\|_2^2 + \lambda_y \|\sigma_y\|_2^2$$





#### Method 3: Data-Driven-SPC:

Data-Driven-SPC relaxes the rank constraint, drops the Hankel structure but directly handles the row space constraint

Inner problem

 $\min_{\tilde{H}} \|\operatorname{col}(\tilde{U}_{\mathsf{P}}, \tilde{Y}_{\mathsf{P}}, \tilde{U}_{\mathsf{F}}) - \operatorname{col}(U_{\mathsf{P}}, Y_{\mathsf{P}}, U_{\mathsf{F}})\|$ subject to  $\tilde{Y}_{\mathsf{F}} = Y_{\mathsf{F}}/\operatorname{col}(\tilde{U}_{\mathsf{P}}, \tilde{Y}_{\mathsf{P}}, \tilde{U}_{\mathsf{F}}),$ 

#### • Outer problem

 $\min_{\sigma_y, g, u \in \mathcal{U}, y \in \mathcal{Y}} \|u\|_R^2 + \|y\|_Q^2 + \lambda_1 \|g\|_1 + \lambda_y \|\sigma_y\|_2^2$ subject to  $\begin{bmatrix} U_{\mathsf{P}} \\ Y_{\mathsf{P}} \\ U_{\mathsf{F}} \end{bmatrix} g = \begin{bmatrix} u_{\mathsf{ini}} \\ y_{\mathsf{ini}} + \sigma_y \\ u \end{bmatrix}.$ 

### Method 4: DeePC-SVD-Iter:

*DeePC-SVD-Iter* relaxes row space constraint but directly handles rank constraint and approximates the Hankel structure

- Inner problem
  - $\min_{\tilde{H}} \|\tilde{H} H\|_2$
- Outer problem

 $\min_{\hat{g},\sigma_y,u\in\mathcal{U},y\in\mathcal{Y}} \|u\|_R^2 + \|y\|_Q^2 + \lambda_2 \|(I-\hat{\Pi}_1)\hat{g}\|_2^2 + \lambda_y \|\sigma_y\|_2^2$ 



## **Numerical Simulations**

Row Space:  $\tilde{Y}_F = Y_F / \operatorname{col}(\tilde{U}_P, \tilde{Y}_P, \tilde{U}_F)$ 

subject to 
$$\operatorname{rank}(\tilde{H}) = mL + n$$
  
 $\tilde{H} \in \mathcal{H}$ 

**Nonlinear Lotka-Volterra dynamics:** 



## $y_{ m ini} + \sigma_y$ subject to

#### LTI system with Gaussian measurement noises:



#### **Key observations:**

- The cost becomes smaller as the data-driven representation becomes more structured
- The direct methods outperform the indirect method as the increasing of nonlinearity
- Among all DeePC variants, *DeePC-SVD-Iter* performs the best
- Regularizations are soft constraints and flexible while data pre-process with system knowledge gives hard requirements which makes the prediction more reliable

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