

# Hankel structured low rank matrix completion

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# Hankel matrices

an  $m \times n$  matrix  $H$  is Hankel structured



there is a sequence  $h = (h(1), \dots, h(T))$ ,  $T := m + n - 1$   
such that

$$H = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h(1) & h(2) & h(3) & \cdots & h(n) \\ h(2) & h(3) & \ddots & \ddots & h(n+1) \\ h(3) & \ddots & \ddots & & h(n+2) \\ \vdots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ h(m) & h(m+1) & \cdots & \cdots & h(T) \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathcal{H}_m(h)}$$

- the sequence  $h$  parameterizes the Hankel matrix  $H$
- there is a bijection  $(h, m) \leftrightarrow H$

$$(h, m) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{H}_m(h)} H \quad \text{Hankel matrix constructor}$$

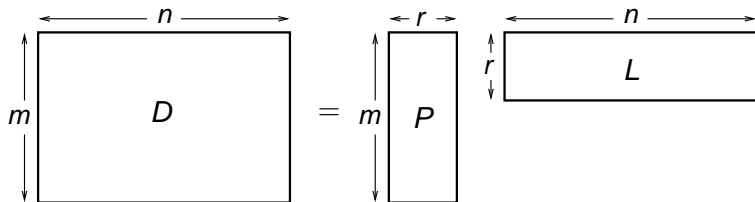
$$H \xrightarrow{\text{par}(H)} (h, m) \quad \text{parameters readout map}$$

## Low rank matrices

an  $m \times n$  matrix  $D$  has rank less than or equal to  $r$



there is an  $m \times r$  matrix  $P$  and an  $r \times n$  matrix  $L$ , such that



there is an  $(m-r) \times m$  matrix  $R$ , such that

$$RR^T = I_{m-r} \quad \text{and} \quad RD = 0$$

## Low rank Hankel matrices

$\text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_L(h)) \leq r$ , for some  $h = (h(1), \dots, h(T))$   
and  $L$ , such that  $L > r$  and  $T - L + 1 \geq r$



there is  $p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{r+1}$ , such that

$$\sum_{\tau=0}^r p_{\tau} h(t + \tau) = 0, \quad \text{for } t = 1, \dots, T - L + 1$$

# Linear time-invariant autonomous systems

$$\mathcal{B}(p) = \left\{ h = (h(1), h(2), \dots) \mid \sum_{\tau=0}^r p_{\tau} h(t+\tau) = 0, \text{ for } t = 1, 2, \dots \right\}$$

$$\Updownarrow$$

$$\mathcal{B}(A, c) = \left\{ h \mid \exists b \in \mathbb{R}^r, \text{ such that } h(t) = cA^{t-1}b, \text{ for } t = 1, 2, \dots \right\}$$

$h \in \mathcal{B}$  —  $h$  is a **trajectory** of the model  $\mathcal{B}$

$\dim(\mathcal{B}) = r$  — model **complexity**

$\mathcal{L}$  — the set of autonomous LTI models

$\mathcal{L}_r$  — set of LTI models with complexity at most  $r$

# Low rank Hankel matrices



## LTI system trajectories

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and  $L$ , such that  $L > r$  and  $T - L + 1 \geq r$



there is  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}_r$ , such that  
 $(h(1), \dots, h(T - L + 1))$  is a trajectory of  $\mathcal{B}$

## Most powerful unfalsified model

$\mathcal{B}$  is the most powerful unfalsified model of  $h$   
(in the model class  $\mathcal{L}$ )



1.  $h \in \mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}$  (unfalsified)
2.  $\dim(\mathcal{B})$  is minimal (most powerful)



minimal partial realization of  $h$

notation:  $\mathcal{B}_{\text{mpum}}(h)$



# The identification problem

data  $h$   $\xrightarrow{\text{identification method}}$  model  $\mathcal{B}$

most powerful unfalsified model:

minimize over  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}$   $\dim(\mathcal{B})$  subject to  $h \in \mathcal{B}$

$\Leftrightarrow$

minimize over  $h(T+1), \dots, h(2T-1)$   $\text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_T(h_{\text{ext}}))$

where

$$h_{\text{ext}} = \left( \underbrace{h(1), \dots, h(T)}_h, \underbrace{h(T+1), \dots, h(2T-1)}_{\text{optimization variables}} \right)$$

minimize over  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}$   $\dim(\mathcal{B})$  subject to  $h \in \mathcal{B}$

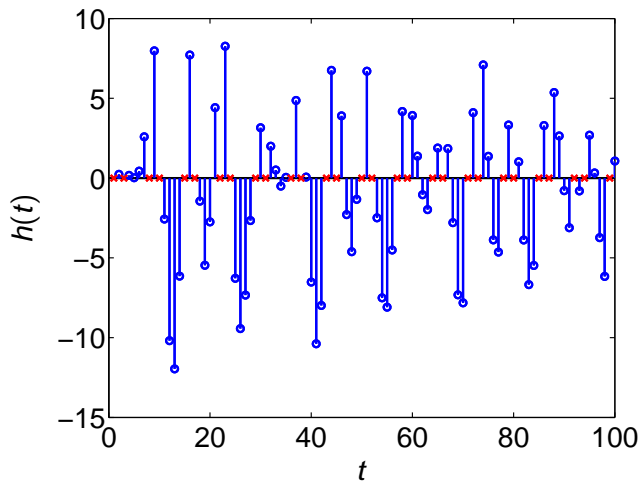
$\Leftrightarrow$

minimize over the '?'s rank  $\begin{bmatrix} h(1) & h(2) & h(3) & \dots & h(T) \\ h(2) & h(3) & \dots & h(T) & ? \\ h(3) & \dots & \dots & \dots & ? \\ \vdots & h(T) & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ h(T) & ? & ? & \dots & ? \end{bmatrix}$

# Missing data

- partial realization
  - ↪ missing (to be estimated) values in the “future”
  - ↪ **extrapolation** of sequence by an aut. LTI system
- **generalization:**
  - find  $\mathcal{B}_{\text{mpum}}(h)$  when arbitrary values of  $h$  are missing
    - ↪ interpolation/extrapolation of a sequence by (multivariable, input/output) LTI model
    - ↪ Hankel structured low rank matrix completion problem

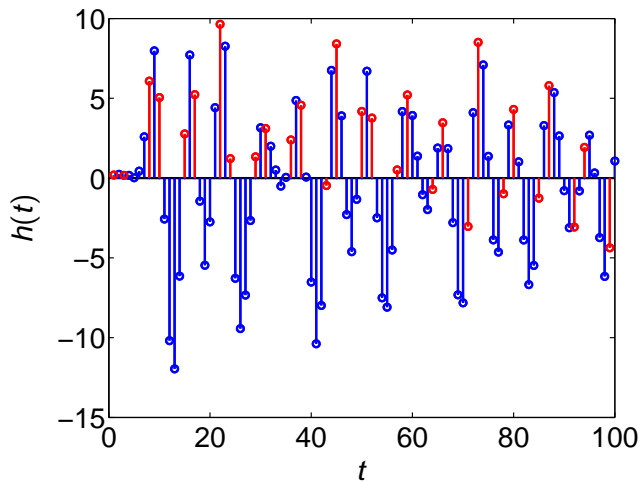
# Example



data points

missing values locations

# Example



data points

interpolated values

# Missing data problem

$\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}$  — set of indexes of the given values of  $h$   
 $L$  — upper bound on the model complexity

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize over } \hat{h} \quad \text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_L(\hat{h})) \\ & \text{subject to} \quad \hat{h}(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) = h(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) \end{aligned}$$

## solution methods:

- nuclear norm heuristic
- subspace methods
- local optimization methods

# Nuclear norm heuristic for matrix completion

$\|A\|_*$  := sum of the singular values of  $A$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \text{over } \hat{h} && \|\mathcal{H}_L(\hat{h})\|_* \\ & \text{subject to} && \hat{h}(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) = h(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) \end{aligned}$$

$\Updownarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \text{over } \hat{h}, U, \text{ and } V && \text{trace}(U) + \text{trace}(V) \\ & \text{subject to} && \begin{bmatrix} U & \mathcal{H}_L(\hat{h})^\top \\ \mathcal{H}_L(\hat{h}) & V \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0 && \text{and } \hat{h}(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) = h(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) \end{aligned}$$

**semidefinite programming problem**

## CVX code

```
function hh = hmc(h, L)

T    = length(h);
I_m  = find( isnan(h));
I_d  = find(~isnan(h));

cvx_begin sdp;
    variable U(L, L)                symmetric;
    variable V(T - L + 1, T - L + 1) symmetric;
    variable h_m(length(I_m), 1);
    minimize(trace(U) + trace(V));
    subject to
        hh(I_m) = h_m; hh(I_d) = h(I_d);
        H = hankel(hh(1:L), hh(L:end));
        [U H'; H V] > 0;
cvx_end
```



## Numerical example

```
n = 3; T = 10; sys0 = drss(n);
```

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h0 = impulse(sys0, 2 * T); h0 = h0(2:(2 * T));  
h = h0; h((T + 1):end) = NaN;
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hh = hmc(h, T)'; norm(h0 - hh)
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Calling SDPT3: 210 variables, 91 equality constraints

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num. of constraints = 91
dim. of sdp var = 20, num. of sdp blk = 1
*****
SDPT3: Infeasible path-following algorithms
*****
version predcorr gam expon scale_data
HKM 1 0.000 1 0
it pstep dstep pinfeas dinfeas gap mean(obj) cputime
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0|0.000|0.000|1.6e-01|3.7e+00|1.5e+03| 1.337736e+02| 0:0:00| chol 1 1
1|1.000|1.000|2.2e-08|8.2e-02|1.9e+02| 8.595944e+01| 0:0:00| chol 1 1
2|0.979|1.000|3.1e-08|8.2e-03|4.8e+00| 2.415990e+00| 0:0:00| chol 1 1
3|1.000|0.953|9.4e-09|1.2e-03|1.5e+00| 1.145234e+00| 0:0:00| chol 1 1
4|0.976|1.000|1.5e-09|8.2e-05|6.0e-02| 5.225036e-01| 0:0:00| chol 1 1
5|1.000|1.000|4.0e-10|8.2e-06|9.4e-03| 5.022662e-01| 0:0:00| chol 1 1
6|0.970|0.978|1.2e-10|9.8e-07|2.9e-04| 4.991459e-01| 0:0:00| chol 1 1
7|0.985|0.987|1.3e-10|9.3e-08|4.2e-06| 4.990335e-01| 0:0:00| chol 1 1
8|0.999|1.000|5.3e-10|2.6e-11|7.9e-08| 4.990318e-01| 0:0:00| chol 1 1
9|1.000|1.000|2.2e-09|4.0e-11|4.6e-09| 4.990318e-01| 0:0:00|
stop: max(relative gap, infeasibilities) < 1.49e-08
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number of iterations = 9
..... more output .....
Total CPU time (secs) = 0.3
CPU time per iteration = 0.0
termination code = 0
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Status: Solved
Optimal value (cvx_optval): +0.499032

ans = 5.6272e-11
```

## Subspace method for identification with missing data

- let  $\text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_{r+1}(h)) = r$
- there is  $p \neq 0$ , such that

$$[p_0 \quad p_1 \quad \cdots \quad p_r] \mathcal{H}_{r+1}(h) = 0$$

- consider the matrix  $\mathcal{H}_{r+2}(h)$ ; we have

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} p_0 & p_1 & \cdots & p_r & 0 \\ 0 & p_0 & p_1 & \cdots & p_r \end{bmatrix}}_{\tilde{P}} \mathcal{H}_{r+2}(h) = 0$$

- $\tilde{P}$  is full row rank, so that for any  $i$  there is  $\tilde{p}^i \neq 0$ , such that

$$\tilde{p}^i \mathcal{H}_{r+2}(h) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{p}_i^i = 0$$

- suppose that  $\mathcal{H}_{r+2}(h)$  has at least  $r + 1$  columns with single missing value in the  $i$ th position
- denote the corresponding submatrix of  $\mathcal{H}_{r+2}(h)$  by  $\tilde{H}^i$
- $\text{left ker}(\tilde{H}^i) = \alpha \tilde{p}^i$ , for some  $\alpha \neq 0$   
 $\rightsquigarrow \tilde{p}^i$  can be identified (up to scaling factor) from  $h$
- suppose also that  $\mathcal{H}_{r+2}(h)$  has at least  $r + 1$  columns with single missing value in the  $j$ th position, where  $j \neq i$   
 $\rightsquigarrow \tilde{p}^j$  can be identified (up to scaling factor) from  $h$
- $\text{GCD}(p^i, p^j) = p \rightsquigarrow$  identification algorithm with missing values

## Extensions

- $\Delta > 1$  missing value per frame  $\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{H}_{r+\Delta}(h)$
- multivariable time series  $h(t) \in \mathbb{R}^p$   
 $\rightsquigarrow$  block-Hankel matrix of rank =  $n$  (order of the system)
- open systems  $w = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $u$  — input,  $y$  — output  
 $\rightsquigarrow$  block-Hankel matrix of rank =  $\text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_L(u)) + n$
- multiple time series

$$w = \{w^1, \dots, w^N\}, \quad \text{where } w^i = (w^i(1), \dots, w^i(T^i))$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  block partitioned, block-Hankel matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{H}_L(w^1) & \cdots & \mathcal{H}_L(w^N) \end{bmatrix}$$

## Open systems

$$\text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_L(w)) \leq \text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_L(u)) + n, \text{ for some}$$

$$w = (w(1), w(2), \dots, w(T)), \quad w = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ y \end{bmatrix}, \quad \dim(u) = m$$

and  $L$ , such that  $L > r$  and  $T - L + 1 \geq r$



$$(w(1), \dots, w(T - L + 1)) \in \mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}_{m,n}$$

$\mathcal{L}_{m,n}$  — class of LTI systems with  $\leq m$  inputs and order  $\leq n$

## Multiple time series

$\text{rank}([\mathcal{H}_L(w^1) \ \dots \ \mathcal{H}_L(w^N)]) \leq \text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_L(u)) + n$ , for some

$$w^i = (w^i(1), w^i(2), \dots, w^i(T^i)), \quad w^i = \begin{bmatrix} u^i \\ y^i \end{bmatrix}, \quad \dim(u^i) = m$$

and  $L$ , such that  $L > r$  and  $T - L + 1 \geq r$



$$(w^i(1), \dots, w^i(T^i - L + 1)) \in \mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}_{m,n}, \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N$$

# Applications

- partial realization
- data-driven simulation
- data-driven tracking
- state estimation (Kalman filter) with missing data



# Classical simulation problem

given

- system  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}$  (specified by some representation)
- initial condition  $w_{\text{ini}}$ , and (specified by a trajectory of  $\mathcal{B}$ )
- input  $u$ ,

find the output  $y$  of  $\mathcal{B}$ , corresponding to  $w_{\text{ini}}$  and  $u$ , i.e.,

$$w_{\text{ini}} \wedge (u, y) \in \mathcal{B}$$

- there are many ways to solve the problem
- the algorithms depend on the model representation (state-space, transfer function, impulse response, ...)

# Data-driven simulation

given

- trajectory  $w_d$  of a system  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}$
- initial condition  $w_{\text{ini}}$ , and
- input  $u$ ,

find the output  $y$  of  $\mathcal{B}$ , corresponding to  $w_{\text{ini}}$  and  $u$ , i.e.,

$$w_{\text{ini}} \wedge (u, y) \in \mathcal{B}$$



matrix completion problem for block partitioned Hankel matrix

$$\text{minimize over } \mathbf{y} \quad \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{H}_L(w_d) & \mathcal{H}_L((u, \mathbf{y})) \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

# Classical tracking problem

given

- system  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}$  (specified by some representation)
- initial condition  $w_{\text{ini}}$ , and (specified by a trajectory of  $\mathcal{B}$ )
- desired output  $y$ ,

find an input  $u$  of  $\mathcal{B}$ , achieving perfect tracking, *i.e.*,

$$w_{\text{ini}} \wedge (u, y) \in \mathcal{B}$$

- again there are different ways to solve the problem
- the algorithms depend on the model representation (state-space, transfer function, impulse response, ...)

# Data-driven tracking

given

- trajectory  $w_d$  of a system  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{L}$
- initial condition  $w_{\text{ini}}$ , and
- desired output  $y$ ,

find an input  $u$  of  $\mathcal{B}$ , achieving perfect tracking, *i.e.*,

$$w_{\text{ini}} \wedge (u, y) \in \mathcal{B}$$



matrix completion problem for block partitioned Hankel matrix

$$\text{minimize over } u \quad \text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{H}_L(w_d) & \mathcal{H}_L((u, y)) \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

## Interpolation with given model

$$[R_0 \ R_1 \ \cdots \ R_r] \mathcal{H}_{r+1}(w) = 0$$



$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} R_0 & R_1 & \cdots & R_r & & & \\ & R_0 & R_1 & \cdots & R_r & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & & \ddots & \\ & & & R_0 & R_1 & \cdots & R_r \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} w(1) \\ w(2) \\ \vdots \\ w(T) \end{bmatrix} = 0$$



$$A(:, \mathcal{I}_{\text{missing}}) w(\mathcal{I}_{\text{missing}}) = A(:, \mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) w_{\text{data}}$$

**note:** recursive solution  $\rightsquigarrow$  growing set of unknowns  
(initial conditions and missing inputs)

## Conclusions

- LTI system trajectories  $\leftrightarrow$  low rank Hankel matrices
- LTI model identification from trajectory with missing values  $\leftrightarrow$  low rank Hankel structured matrix completion problem
- nuclear norm heuristic and subspace type methods
- the subspace method is applicable when part of the Hankel matrix completely specifies the model
- the methods generalize to multivariable open systems and multiple time series with missing values
- applications for partial realization, data-driven simulation and control

## Inexact data

- **inexact data**  $\rightsquigarrow$  approximation of incomplete matrix

$$\text{minimize over } \hat{h} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_L(\hat{h})) \\ \|\hat{h}(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) - h(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}})\| \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \text{low complexity} \\ \leftarrow \text{good fit} \end{array}$$

- **scalarizations** of the biobjective problem

$$\text{minimize over } \hat{h} \quad \|\hat{h}(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) - h(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}})\|$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_{r+1}(\hat{h})) \leq r \quad \leftarrow \text{complexity bound}$$

or

$$\text{minimize over } \hat{h} \quad \text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_L(\hat{h}))$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \|\hat{h}(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) - h(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}})\| \leq \mathbf{e} \quad \leftarrow \text{error bound}$$

## Inexact data

- another scalarization of the biobjective problem

$$\text{minimize over } \hat{h} \quad \text{rank}(\mathcal{H}_L(\hat{h})) + \gamma \|\hat{h}(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}}) - h(\mathcal{I}_{\text{data}})\|$$

$\uparrow$   
 trade-off parameter

- all problems “sweep” the set of Pareto optimal solutions
- replacing rank by nuclear norm  $\rightsquigarrow$  convex relaxations
- can be solved by local optimization methods



Questions?