

Wavelet amendment of polynomial models in Hammerstein systems identification

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Abstract—A new wavelet algorithm for *on-line* improvement of an existing polynomial model of nonlinearity in a Hammerstein system is proposed and its properties are examined. The algorithm employs wavelet bases on interval. Convergence of the resulting assembly, comprising the parametric polynomial model and a nonparametric wavelet add-on, to the system nonlinearity is shown. Rates of convergence for uniformly smooth and piecewise smooth nonlinearities with discontinuities are both established.

I. INTRODUCTION

Many existing models of nonlinear dynamic systems derived from a block-oriented methodology (where models are composed of interconnected static nonlinear and linear dynamic blocks; *cf.* [1], [2]) employ parametric representations of the system nonlinearities; *cf. e.g.* [3]–[7]. Such models, yet simple, can offer only a crude approximation if, for instance, they are based on polynomials and the genuine nonlinearity turns out to be *e.g.* a piecewise smooth function with discontinuities, *cf.* [8]. To eliminate this inaccuracy, we propose an algorithm which amends the already existing polynomial model by means of a *nonparametric wavelet bypass* module (as depicted in Fig. 1a)

- without affecting this model (being, for instance, hard-wired or implemented as a software library; see *e.g.* System Identification Toolbox for Matlab, [9]), and
- in a convenient *on-line* fashion.

The algorithm, inspired by a general concept of additive semiparametric regression, see *e.g.* [10]–[13], employs nonparametric regression estimates based on order statistics (see *e.g.* [14], [15]) and orthogonal wavelet expansions on intervals (see *e.g.* [16]–[18]). A similar approach, which can be found in [19], can only be applied to recover a nonlinearity (*off-line*) in static systems with a deterministic input.

II. ASSUMPTIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

We consider a Hammerstein system (*viz.* a cascade of static nonlinearity followed by a linear dynamics; see Fig. 1b), being one of the most prevalent example of block-oriented nonlinear dynamic models found in the literature (*cf.* Remark 2).

The goal of the algorithm is to recover a nonlinearity in the Hammerstein system described by the input-output equation:

$$y_k = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \lambda_i m(x_{k-i}) + z_k = \lambda_0 m(x_k) + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i m(x_{k-i}) + z_k, \quad (1)$$

with the following assumptions:

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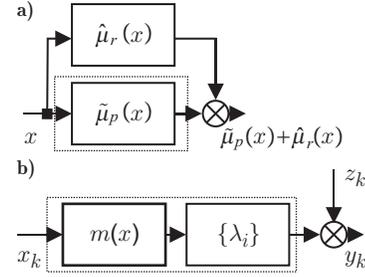


Fig. 1. a) A scheme of the bypass amendment of the polynomial model of nonlinearity, b) Identified Hammerstein system

- 1) An input signal, $\{x_k\}$, and an external additive noise, $\{z_k\}$, are zero-mean second-order random stationary processes. They are mutually independent. The input $\{x_k\}$ is white and has a density, $f(x)$, which is strictly positive in the identification interval, say $[0, 1]$.
- 2) A nonlinear characteristic of the static system, $m(x)$, has a Hölder continuity exponent $\nu > 0$; *cf. e.g.* [18, Ch. VI].
- 3) A linear dynamic subsystem is asymptotically stable. Its impulse response, $\{\lambda_i\}$, $i = 0, 1, \dots$, is unknown.
- 4) A set, $\{(x_l, y_l)\}$, $l = 1, 2, \dots, k$, of the system input and output measurements is available; *cf.* Remark 1. Moreover:
- 5) There exists a (pre-)model of the nonlinearity, $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$, based on a polynomial of order up to $p - 1$, for some known p .

The above assumptions are of mixed nature. The first four are typical for nonparametric identification tasks (see [14], [15] and the references cited therein), and impose only weak constraints on system's characteristics and signals. In particular, Assumption 2 admits, for $\nu > 1$, nonlinearities with $\lceil \nu \rceil - 1$ continuous derivatives; for $0 < \nu < 1$, continuous nonlinearities, but also discontinuous nonlinearities with separate jumps as well; *cf.* [18, Ch. VI]. Therefore, virtually all nonlinearities bounded on an interval are taken into account (the unit interval in Assumption 1 is used only for convenience). Moreover, the impulse response $\{\lambda_i\}$ can be finite or not, and the external noise $\{z_k\}$ can be white or correlated and of any probability distribution with a finite variance. In turn, Assumption 5 supposing the polynomial model of the nonlinearity occurs in several parametric identification algorithms, *cf. e.g.*: [5], [20], [21]. Here, the model $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$ can be a standard polynomial, $\tilde{a}_0 + \tilde{a}_1 x + \dots + \tilde{a}_{p-1} x^{p-1}$ or can, for example, be composed of the first p terms of Legendre polynomial series.

Remark 1: It is well known that due to a composite structure of Hammerstein systems and the lack of measurements of the interconnecting signal (Assumption 4), a nonlinearity, $\mu(x) = a m(x) + b$, where $a = \lambda_0$, $b = E m(x_1) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i$, that is, a scaled and shifted version of the characteristic $m(x)$ of the static block, can at most be recovered from input-output measurements. We emphasize that this inability is a property of the system and hence occurs for any identification algorithm – either parametric (*e.g.* that leading to the model $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$) or nonparametric (*e.g.* ours); *cf.* [22, S. VI] or [7, S. III]. We also

assume – for simplicity of the presentation – that $\lambda_0 \neq 0$; any other $\lambda_i \neq 0$ can be used as well, *cf.* Assumption 3.

Remark 2: Other structures to which the proposed algorithm can *directly* be applied, like a parallel system, Uryson and MISO systems, *etc.*, are demonstrated in [23]-[25].

A. Wavelets on intervals

The most common wavelets (and hence the most often ones present in the literature and applications) are the compactly supported wavelets invented by Daubechies, [26]. However, they constitute orthogonal bases on the real line only and cannot directly be used on intervals. Thus we employ more specific wavelet bases on interval, being proposed in [16], [17], *i.e.* *CDJV* wavelets. They preserve orthogonality, multiresolution property, fast computational algorithms and, in particular, the number, $p = 2, 3, \dots$, of vanishing moments of the original Daubechies wavelets.

Wavelet bases on intervals consist of three types of functions: the left and the right end, and the internal ones (which factually are the Daubechies functions). Namely, for a given p , the basis consists of a single set of scaling functions, $\{\varphi_{Mn}(x)\} = \{\varphi_{Mn}^{left}(x), \varphi_{Mn}^{int}(x), \varphi_{Mn}^{right}(x)\}$, for $0 \leq n < p$, $p \leq n < 2^M - p$, and $2^M - p \leq n < 2^M$, respectively, and sets of wavelets, $\{\psi_{mn}(x)\} = \{\psi_{mn}^{left}(x), \psi_{mn}^{int}(x), \psi_{mn}^{right}(x)\}$, for the same ranges of n and increasing scales $m = M, M+1, \dots$. The initial scale M needs (by design) to be sufficiently large in order to avoid the boundary functions on the one end to intersect with the other. Specifically, the supports of the functions at the left end are 'staggered', *i.e.* equal to $[0, 2^{-M}(n+p)]$, $0 \leq n < p$, (similarly at the right end), and this implies $M \geq \log_2 2p$ for a unit interval, [17, Th. 4.4].

Remark 3: The vanishing moments property is pivotal for our algorithm. Defined as

$$\int_0^1 x^i \cdot \psi_{mn}(x) dx = 0 \text{ for } i = 0, \dots, p-1 \quad (2)$$

it means that wavelets with p vanishing moments are *orthogonal* to monomials of order up to $p-1$, and hence to *any polynomial model* $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$, *cf.* Assumption 5:

$$\langle \tilde{\mu}_p, \psi_{mn} \rangle = 0. \quad (3)$$

Any residual nonlinearity of the form $\mu_r(x) = \mu(x) - \tilde{\mu}_p(x)$, which is square integrable in the interval $[0, 1]$, has therefore a *wavelet expansion*

$$\mu_r(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{2^M-1} \alpha_{Mn} \varphi_{Mn}(x) + \sum_{m=M}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{2^m-1} \beta_{mn} \psi_{mn}(x) \quad (4)$$

with the coefficients ($\alpha_{Mn}^p = \langle \tilde{\mu}_p, \varphi_{Mn} \rangle$):

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{Mn} &= \langle \mu - \tilde{\mu}_p, \varphi_{Mn} \rangle = \langle \mu, \varphi_{Mn} \rangle - \alpha_{Mn}^p \\ \beta_{mn} &= \langle \mu - \tilde{\mu}_p, \psi_{mn} \rangle = \langle \mu, \psi_{mn} \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

III. IDENTIFICATION ALGORITHM

We begin with the observation made in [22] that for Hammerstein systems it holds that (*cf.* (1)):

$$E(y_k | x_k = x) = \mu(x) \quad (6)$$

i.e. the identified nonlinearity $\mu(x)$ is a regression function of the output y_k on the input x_k . Having, by Assumption 5, its polynomial model $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$, we are interested in the remaining part:

$$\mu_r(x) = \mu(x) - \tilde{\mu}_p(x) \quad (7)$$

referred further to as a *residual nonlinearity*, *cf.* [11, Ch. 9]. This function is square integrable in $[0, 1]$ (*cf.* Assumptions 2 and 5) and for its recovery we propose the following wavelet estimate (see (4) and *cf.* [27]):

$$\hat{\mu}_r(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{2^M-1} \hat{\alpha}_{Mn} \varphi_{Mn}(x) + \sum_{m=M}^{K-1} \sum_{n=0}^{2^m-1} \hat{\beta}_{mn} \psi_{mn}(x) \quad (8)$$

where K is the estimate scale increasing with a growing number of measurements k . The expansion coefficients estimates, $\hat{\alpha}_{Mn}$ and $\hat{\beta}_{mn}$, are computed from ordered observations, *i.e.* from the measurements set, $\{(x_l, y_l)\}$, $l = 1, \dots, k$, sorted pairwise according to increasing values of x_l and supplemented with an extra pair ($x_0 = 0, y_0 = 0$) (see (5) and *cf.* [27]), according to the rules:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha}_{Mn} &= \sum_{l=1}^k y_l \cdot \int_{x_{l-1}}^{x_l} \varphi_{Mn}(x) dx - \alpha_{Mn}^p \\ \hat{\beta}_{mn} &= \sum_{l=1}^k y_l \cdot \int_{x_{l-1}}^{x_l} \psi_{mn}(x) dx. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Note that k , being the number of measurements (*cf.* Assumption 4) is also interchangeably used as an index of the last measurement pair in the ordered set.

A. Computational issues

Since explicit integrations in (9) are not possible (as the wavelet functions are not given in the explicit form, *cf.* [26], [28]), we introduce the equivalent *recursive* versions of the coefficients estimates $\hat{\alpha}_{Mn}$ and $\hat{\beta}_{mn}$, which enable (numerical) implementation of the algorithm in a convenient *on-line* way.

Given the ordered sequence, $\{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_l, y_l), (x_{l+1}, y_{l+1}), \dots, (x_k, y_k)\}$, assume that for the new, $(k+1)$ th measurement pair, (x_{k+1}, y_{k+1}) , it holds that $x_l < x_{k+1} < x_{l+1}$. Then, (i) the new pair is inserted between (x_l, y_l) and (x_{l+1}, y_{l+1}) to maintain the ascending order of the updated measurement set, and (ii) the following recurrence formulas are applied to compute the coefficients estimates (a vector-like notation is used for shortness):

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\alpha}_{Mn}^{(k+1)} \\ \hat{\beta}_{mn}^{(k+1)} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\alpha}_{Mn}^{(k)} \\ \hat{\beta}_{mn}^{(k)} \end{bmatrix} + (y_{k+1} - y_{l+1}) \times \\ &\times \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_{Mn}(x_{k+1}) - \Phi_{Mn}(x_l) \\ \Psi_{mn}(x_{k+1}) - \Psi_{mn}(x_l) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots$, where $\Phi_{Mn}(x)$ and $\Psi_{mn}(x)$ are formally defined as the definite integrals:

$$\Phi_{Mn}(x) = \int_0^x \varphi_{Mn}(v) dv \text{ and } \Psi_{mn}(x) = \int_0^x \psi_{mn}(v) dv \quad (11)$$

and can easily be evaluated numerically (see *e.g.* [29, Ch. 4] for numeric integration algorithms; the fast routines computing wavelet function values in binary grid points are presented in *e.g.* [28]).

The procedure starts with the following initial values and initial measurement set, *cf.* (2), (3) and (5):

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\alpha}_{Mn}^{(1)} \\ \hat{\beta}_{mn}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha_{Mn}^p \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x_0 = 0, y_0 = 0), \\ (x_1 = 1, y_1 = 0) \end{array} \right\}. \quad (12)$$

Remark 4: Both versions of the algorithm, the *off-line* in (9) and the *on-line* one in (10)-(12), require the measurement set to be kept (preferably – in the ordered form).

IV. ALGORITHM PROPERTIES

Before we pass to the formal part of the algorithm analysis, we will briefly discuss the meaning of the wavelet expansion coefficients estimates in (9). First, notice that regardless of its actual type, any polynomial model $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$ has the following equivalent representations (*cf.* (5) and Assumption 5):

$$\tilde{\mu}_p(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} \tilde{a}_i x^i = \sum_{n=0}^{2^M-1} \alpha_{Mn}^p \varphi_{Mn}(x), \quad (13)$$

for any parameters set $\{\tilde{a}_i\}$, $i = 0, \dots, p-1$. The estimates $\hat{\alpha}_{Mn}$, being initiated with $-\alpha_{Mn}^p$ (*cf.* (9) and (12)), are therefore able to accommodate, in a course of identification process, the *contingent differences* between the model $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$ and the nonlinearity $\mu(x)$, in case when $\mu(x)$ is also a polynomial of order $p-1$. In turn, if $\mu(x)$ is either a polynomial of higher order or not a polynomial but *e.g.* a piecewise-smooth function, then all estimates $\hat{\alpha}_{Mn}$ and $\hat{\beta}_{mn}$ are needed to recover the part of $\mu(x)$ not represented by polynomial model $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$; *cf.* (2) and (3).

Remark 5: The estimates $\hat{\alpha}_{Mn}$ and $\hat{\beta}_{mn}$ can prospectively be used in a two-stage polynomial model validation procedure: the statistical insignificance of the wavelet coefficients estimates $\hat{\beta}_{mn}$ would testify, for instance, to the sufficiency of the model order. If additionally all $\hat{\alpha}_{Mn}$'s remained insignificant, then the complete stand-alone model $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$ could be assumed to be sufficient.

A. Convergence

We will now show that the estimate $\hat{\mu}_r(x)$ converges in the mean integrated square error (MISE) sense, to the residual nonlinearity $\mu_r(x)$ (and, *a fortiori*, the assembly $\tilde{\mu}_p(x) + \hat{\mu}_r(x)$ to the genuine nonlinearity $\mu(x)$) with a growing number of the measurement data. The first theorem provides with conditions of the convergence.

Theorem 1: Let the assumptions (1)-(5) hold. If the estimate scale K increases with the measurements number k so that

$$K(k) \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } 2^{K(k)}/k \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty, \quad (14)$$

then

$$\text{MISE } \hat{\mu}_r = E \int_0^1 [\mu_r(x) - \hat{\mu}_r(x)]^2 dx \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Proof: See Appendix A. ■

The following conclusions can immediately be drawn from the theorem:

- In order to assure the convergence of $\hat{\mu}_r(x)$ to $\mu_r(x)$, the scale K needs *only* to increase, however, the rate of this growth should mutually allow the term $2^K/k$ to vanish as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Subsequently,
- The convergence of the assembly $\tilde{\mu}_p(x) + \hat{\mu}_r(x)$ to $\mu(x)$ holds for any estimate scales selected as $K(k) = \lceil c \log_2 k \rceil$, where $0 < c < 1$.

We emphasize that neither the structure of the dynamic part $\{\lambda_i\}$ nor the presence of a correlated noise $\{z_k\}$ affects the convergence. Similar conditions have earlier been established for wavelet-based ratio estimates of nonlinearities; see [23]-[25] – here, moreover, the convergence holds for arbitrary model $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$ compliant with Assumption 5, *i.e.* for any polynomial of order not greater than $p-1$, see (13).

B. Convergence rate

In Theorem 1 the convergence conditions are characterized. It is however also interesting to establish the rate the estimate converges with – as it seems to be intuitively clear that convergence to smoother nonlinearities should be faster than to the irregular ones. Our second theorem provides a formal support of this intuition and shows how to select the constant c (according to the Hölder exponent ν of the nonlinearity m and to the order of the polynomial pre-model p , to make the convergence rate the fastest.

Theorem 2: If the estimate scale K is increased according to the following rule

$$K(k) = \lceil c \log_2 k \rceil \text{ where } c = \frac{1}{2\gamma+1} \quad (15)$$

with $\gamma = \min\{\nu, p\}$ or $\gamma = \min\{\nu, 1/2\}$ for continuous or piecewise-continuous nonlinearities $\mu(x)$, respectively, then the estimate $\hat{\mu}_r(x)$ converges to the residuum $\mu_r(x)$ in the MISE error sense with the asymptotic rate

$$\text{MISE } \hat{\mu}_r = \mathcal{O}\left(k^{-\frac{2\gamma}{2\gamma+1}}\right)$$

and the assembly $\tilde{\mu}_p(x) + \hat{\mu}_r(x)$ converges to the nonlinearity $\mu(x)$ with the same rate.

Proof: See Appendix B. ■

Note that the best possible convergence rate (amongst all nonparametric estimates for a given ν ; see *e.g.* [11], [30]) is achieved by our estimate. Moreover:

- the rate $\mathcal{O}(k^{-2\gamma/(2\gamma+1)})$ approaches, for large γ , *i.e.* for smooth nonlinearities and for wavelets with $p \geq \nu$ vanishing moments, the rate $\mathcal{O}(k^{-1})$, which is the best attainable for *parametric* estimates, [31].
- the rate $\mathcal{O}(k^{-1/2})$ is obtained for discontinuous, piecewise smooth nonlinearities, *i.e.* having an arbitrary finite number of jumps. This rate is also the best possible for that nonlinearities and, furthermore, it can only be

achieved by those estimates (amongst *all* orthogonal expansion-based) which employ wavelets with compact support (cf. [32]).

Remark 6: If we apply wavelets with a number of vanishing moments lower than the order of $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$ or we relax Assumption 5 and admit arbitrary models (like e.g. those considered in [33]), then the representation in (13) (and hence the algorithm convergence) does not hold. Nevertheless, the convergence will be maintained if we subtract $\beta_{mn}^p = \langle \tilde{\mu}_p, \psi_{mn} \rangle$ from every new coefficient $\hat{\beta}_{mn}$, cf. (5) and (9). The rate of the algorithm convergence will then become dependent also on the model smoothness (in the analogous way it depends now on the smoothness of the nonlinearity) and e.g. for a model with Hölder exponent ν' we will get $\gamma' = \min\{\nu', \gamma\}$; cf. Appendix B.

V. NUMERICAL ILLUSTRATION

The properties presented in Sections IV-A-IV-B characterize asymptotic behavior of our algorithm. To get an insight into its performance for small and moderate number of measurements, several numerical experiments were made. Specifically, to illustrate Theorem 2 for continuous and discontinuous nonlinearities, the following characteristics:

$$m_1(x) = 5(x^5 - x^3) \text{ and } m_2(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } x < 1/2 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1/2 \leq x \end{cases}$$

were coupled with wavelet estimates, $\hat{\mu}_r(x)$, employing CDJV wavelets with $p = 5$ vanishing moments, and with the scale governed by the practical selection rule, $K(k) = \lceil 1/3 \cdot \log_2 k \rceil$; cf. (15) and see [25].

The input $\{x_i\}$ was uniformly distributed in $[0, 1]$, and the (infinite) impulse response of the dynamic part was $\lambda_i = 2^{-i}$, $i = 0, 1, \dots$ (thus we have either $\mu(x) = m_1(x)$ or $\mu(x) = m_2(x)$, cf. Remark 1); the external uniform noise was set to make $\max |z_i| / \max |m(x)| = 10\%$.

A preliminary model based on Legendre polynomials was used: $\tilde{\mu}_p(x) = \sum_{i=0}^4 \tilde{\alpha}_i p_i(x)$, where $p_i(x) = \sqrt{2i+1} \cdot P_i(x)$, and where $P_i(x) = (2i-1)xP_{i-1}(x) + (i-1)P_{i-2}(x)$ [with $P_0(x) = 1$ and $P_1(x) = \sqrt{3}(2x-1)$] are Legendre polynomials orthogonal on $[0, 1]$; cf. [34]. For each characteristic, the best (in the mean square sense) polynomial model parameters were evaluated numerically, i.e. $\tilde{\alpha}_i = \sum_{l=1}^L m(x)_l \int_{(l-1)/L}^{l/L} p_i(x) dx$, $L = 500$; cf. (9).

The results are shown in Fig. 2. The solid lines represent the systematic (approximation) error of the initial polynomial models, $\tilde{\mu}_p(x)$, while the dotted ones exhibit vanishing of the MISE error of the assemblies $\tilde{\mu}_p(x) + \hat{\mu}_r(x)$, validating the proposed approach for both smooth and discontinuous nonlinearities.

VI. CONCLUSIONS

In the paper we introduced the wavelet algorithm improving accuracy of polynomial models of nonlinearities in Hammerstein system. The proposed bypass-like solution offers a (non-intrusive) adjustment/calibration of existing pre-models based on various types of polynomials. Application of wavelets offers several advantages:

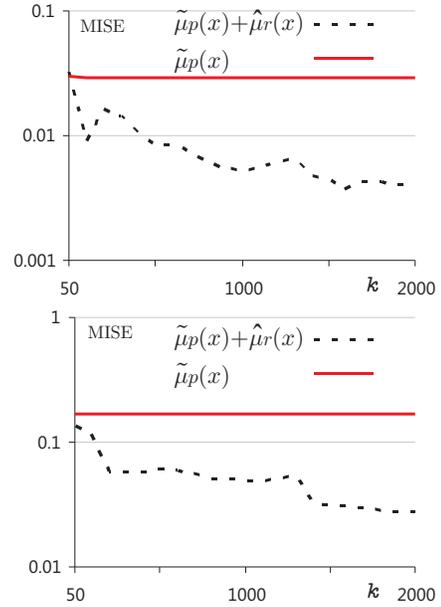


Fig. 2. Errors for a) polynomial, and b) step-function nonlinearities

- Wavelets approximate irregular nonlinearities better than polynomials due to compactness of their supports and subsequent good localization properties.
- There exist fast implementations of wavelet algorithms (Matlab, C/C++/C#/Java, etc. see e.g. [17], [18], [29] for wavelet transform algorithms and [28] for routines computing wavelet values).

The proposed idea of improvement of the existing parametric polynomial models seems to be of interest not only from a theoretical vantage point, cf. [10]-[13], but also important in practice as the aforementioned polynomial models have been already utilized in modelling financial processes and data transmission channels, organs like eyes, skin and muscles, or distillation columns (see [35]-[40]).

Our algorithm can therefore furnish a better understanding of an investigated phenomena (e.g. to verify or enhance established laws, cf. [11, p. 313]) or a refined nonlinearity compensation (e.g. to enable application of linear optimization algorithms). We also point out that the recursive implementation of the algorithm makes it suitable for identification and tracking time-varying nonlinear systems, [41], [42].

APPENDIX A PROOF OF THEOREM 1

A mean integrated squared error of the estimate $\hat{\mu}_r(x)$ is defined in a standard way as

$$\text{MISE } \hat{\mu}_r = E \int_0^1 (\mu_r(x) - \hat{\mu}_r(x))^2 dx.$$

Using (4) and (8), the error can conveniently be expressed in terms of bias and variance errors of wavelet coefficients

estimates, viz.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{MISE } \hat{\mu}_r &= \underbrace{\sum_{m=K}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{2^m-1} \beta_{mn}^2}_{\text{approx}^2 \mu_r^K} \quad (16) \\
&+ \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{2^M-1} \text{bias}^2 \hat{\alpha}_{Mn} + \sum_{m=M}^{K-1} \sum_{n=0}^{2^m-1} \text{bias}^2 \hat{\beta}_{mn}}_{\text{bias}^2 \hat{\mu}_r} \\
&+ \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{2^M-1} \text{var} \hat{\alpha}_{Mn} + \sum_{m=M}^{K-1} \sum_{n=0}^{2^m-1} \text{var} \hat{\beta}_{mn}}_{\text{var} \hat{\mu}_r}.
\end{aligned}$$

The first term, $\text{approx}^2 \mu_r^K$, is an integrated (over the interval $[0, 1]$) squared error of approximation of the residual nonlinearity, $\mu_r(x)$, by its wavelet series (4) truncated at the scale $K-1$. For this error it holds naturally (due to a completeness of a wavelet basis) that

$$\text{approx}^2 \mu_r^K = \sum_{m=K}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{2^m-1} \beta_{mn}^2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } K \rightarrow \infty. \quad (17)$$

The remaining terms, $\text{bias}^2 \hat{\mu}_r$, and $\text{var} \hat{\mu}_r$ are integrated squared bias and variance errors of $\hat{\mu}_r$, composed of squared bias and variance errors of the wavelet expansion coefficients estimates $\hat{\alpha}_{Mn}$ and $\hat{\beta}_{mn}$ in (8), respectively. From the following simple decomposition of β_{mn} , cf. (5) and (11):

$$\beta_{mn} = \sum_{l=1}^k \int_{x_{l-1}}^{x_l} \mu(x) \psi_{mn}(x) dx + \int_{x_k}^1 \mu(x) \psi_{mn}(x) dx$$

we easily get that (cf. eqs. (14)-(18) in [14, p. 1477])

$$\text{bias} \hat{\beta}_{mn} = E \int_{x_k}^1 \mu(x) \psi_{mn}(x) dx$$

which in turn (by virtue of (B.4) in [14, p. 1488]) results in $\text{bias} \hat{\beta}_{mn} = \mathcal{O}(k^{-1})$ and, after application of the same arguments to $\hat{\alpha}_{Mn}$, in $\text{bias} \hat{\alpha}_{Mn} = \mathcal{O}(k^{-1})$. Thus (cf. (16))

$$\text{bias}^2 \hat{\mu}_r = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{2^M}{k^2} + \sum_{m=M}^{K-1} \frac{2^m}{k^2}\right) = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{2^K}{k^2}\right). \quad (18)$$

Using now Lemma 1 from [14, p. 1475] we get that

$$\text{var} \hat{\alpha}_{Mn} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{2^M}{k}\right) \text{ and } \text{var} \hat{\beta}_{mn} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{2^m}{k}\right)$$

and hence (cf. (16))

$$\text{var} \hat{\mu} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{2^M}{k} + \sum_{m=M}^{K-1} \frac{2^m}{k}\right) = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{2^K}{k}\right). \quad (19)$$

Taking together (14), (16) and (17)-(19) concludes the proof. ■

APPENDIX B PROOF OF THEOREM 2

Recalling that if the nonlinearity $\mu(x)$ has a Hölder exponent ν (and so does $\mu_r(x)$), then:

$$\beta_{mn} = \mathcal{O}(2^{-\frac{2\gamma+1}{2}m}), \text{ where } \gamma = \min\{\nu, p\} \quad (20)$$

(see e.g. [18]), and combining it with the fact that the number of wavelet coefficients β_{mn} at each scale $m = K, K+1, \dots$, equals 2^m (see e.g. [16]-[18] and cf. (4)), yields

$$\text{approx}^2 \mu_r^K = \mathcal{O}(2^{-2\gamma K}). \quad (21)$$

For piecewise-smooth nonlinearities, i.e. those having separate jump-type discontinuities and a Hölder exponent ν between them, the smooth parts remain characterized by wavelet coefficients with the bound as in (20), however, at each scale m there is also a finite number of coefficients of order $\mathcal{O}(2^{-m/2})$ corresponding to wavelets with supports located in the 'cones of influence' of nonlinearity jumps, [18, Fig. 6.1]. Their presence deteriorates the convergence rate of the approximation error, giving in result a bound as in (21), yet with $\gamma = \min\{\nu, 1/2\}$; cf. [24, S. V].

Putting (18), (19) and (21) into (16) yields

$$\text{MISE } \hat{\mu}_r = \mathcal{O}\left(2^{-2\gamma K} + \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right) \cdot \frac{2^K}{k}\right) = \mathcal{O}\left(2^{-2\gamma K} + \frac{2^K}{k}\right).$$

Application of the rule (15), completes the proof. ■

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