



Dynamic Systems Identification

Part 2 - Nonlinear systems

Reference:

J. Sjöberg et al. (1995): Non-linear Black-Box Modeling in System Identification: a Unified Overview, Automatica, Vol. 31, 12, str. 1691 - 1724.



Nonlinear dynamic systems

- Static models

- Input/output data

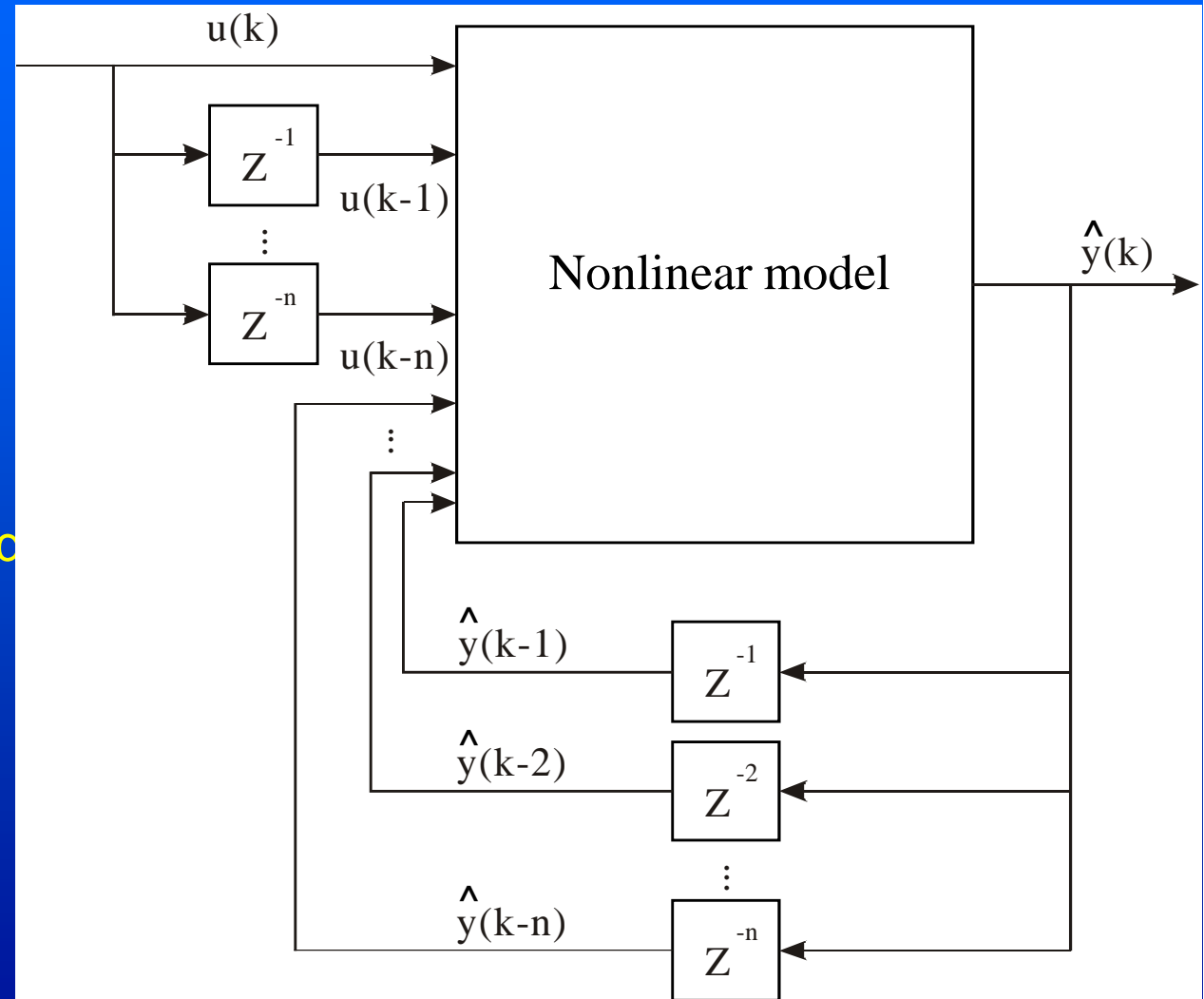
- Interpolation or extrapolation

- Dynamic model

- Input/output data expanded with delayed input and output data

- Learning for one-step-ahead prediction

- Validation for multi-step-ahead prediction



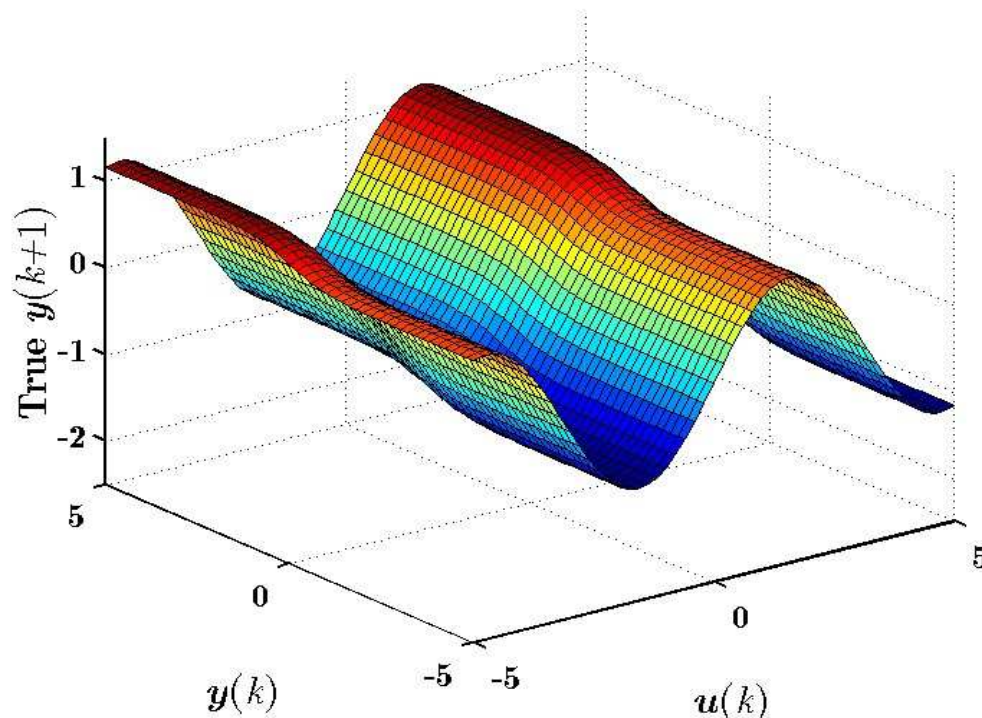
$$\hat{y}(k) = f(\hat{y}(k-1), \hat{y}(k-2), \dots, u(k-1), \dots)$$



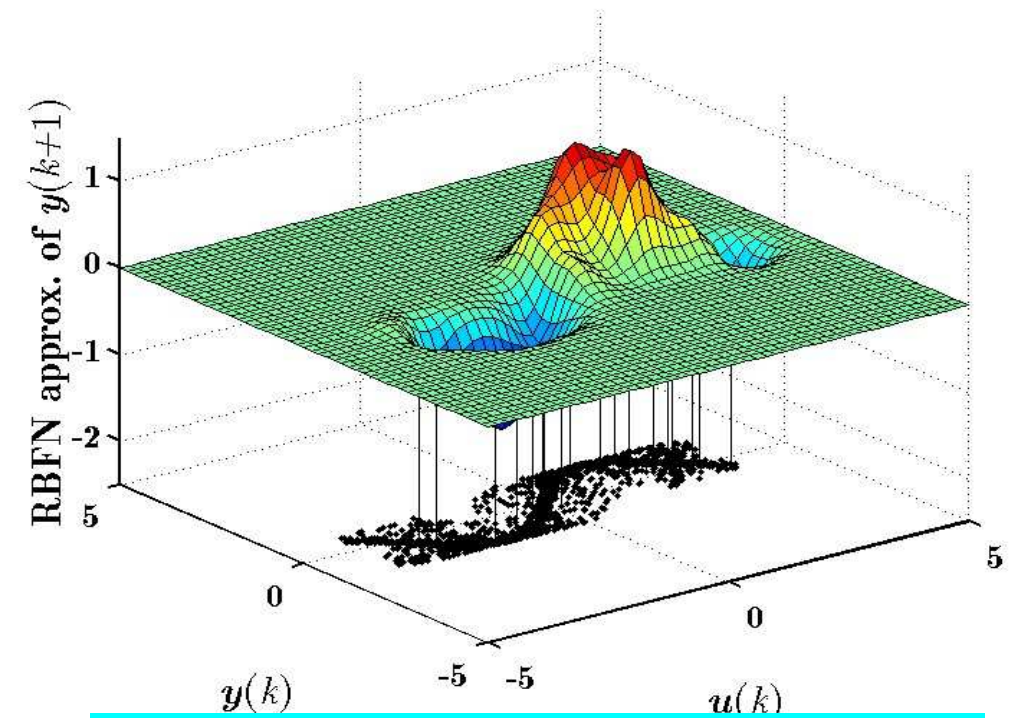
RBF network – Example

$$y(k+1) = 0.2 \tanh(y(k)) + \sin(u(k))$$

2207 I/O data, 20 basis functions
distributed randomly in operating area



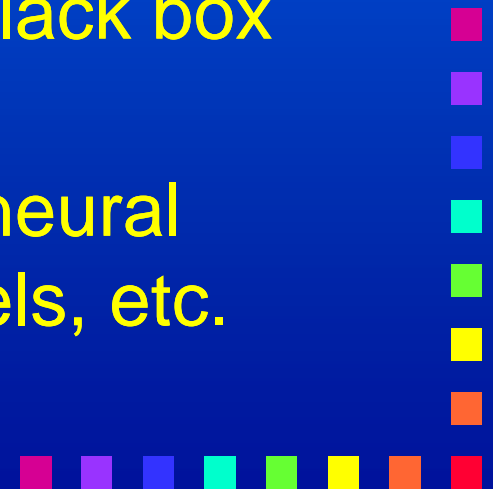
Original function



Approximation with 20 basis functions

Experimental modelling of nonlinear systems

- 1990s: ANN = nonlinear systems identification
- Rule:
Do not estimate what you already know!
- white box model, grey box model (physical modelling, semi-physical modelling), black box model
- Nonlinear black-box models: artificial neural networks, fuzzy models, wavelet models, etc.



Experimental modelling of nonlinear systems

- Used terms (system theory vs. ANN/Machine learning):
 - estimate, identify = train, learn
 - validate = generalize
 - model structure = network
 - estimation data, identification data = training set
 - validation data = generalization set
 - overfit = overtraining



Some practical concerns about nonlinear systems identification

- Identification procedure cannot/must not be fully automatised!
- Necessary: S/W, I/O data.
- We need experience on similar identification cases.
Computer simulations of similar cases.



Experimental modelling of nonlinear systems

Nonlinear systems identification problem:

$$y(k) = g(u(k-1), u(k-2), \dots, y(k-1), y(k-2), \dots) + v(k)$$

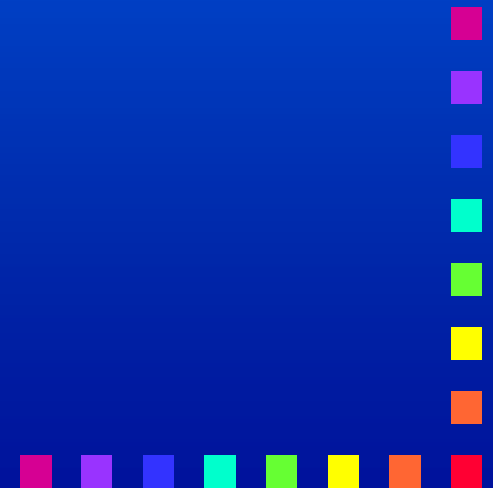
$$\hat{y}(k | \theta) = g(\psi(k), \theta)$$

$\psi(t)$ = vector of regressors

θ = vector of parameters

- 2 subproblems

- Selection of regressors $\psi(k)$
- Selection of nonlinear mapping $g(\varphi)$



Regressors

- linear systems

$$A(z^{-1})y(z^{-1}) = \frac{B(z^{-1})}{F(z^{-1})}u(z^{-1}) + \frac{C(z^{-1})}{D(z^{-1})}e(z^{-1})$$

- FIR (A=F=D=1,C=0)
- ARX (F=C=D=1)
- OE (A=C=D=1)
- ARMAX (F=D=1)
- BJ (A=1)
- State-space $\mathbf{x}(k) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(k-1) + \mathbf{B}u(k-1)$

$$\hat{y}(k) = \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \boldsymbol{\psi}(k, \boldsymbol{\theta})$$



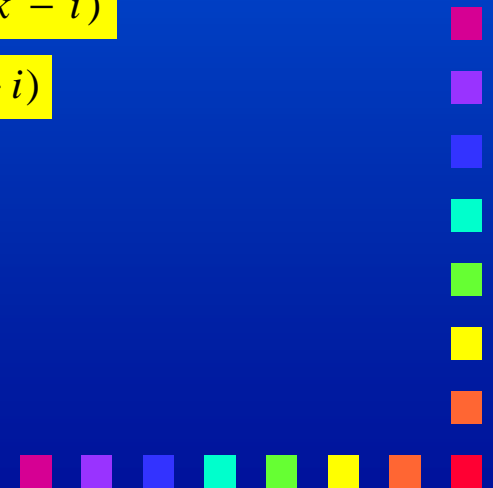
Regressors

- nonlinear systems

$$\hat{y}(k) = g(\boldsymbol{\psi}(k), \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

regressors $\boldsymbol{\psi}$ determine different models:

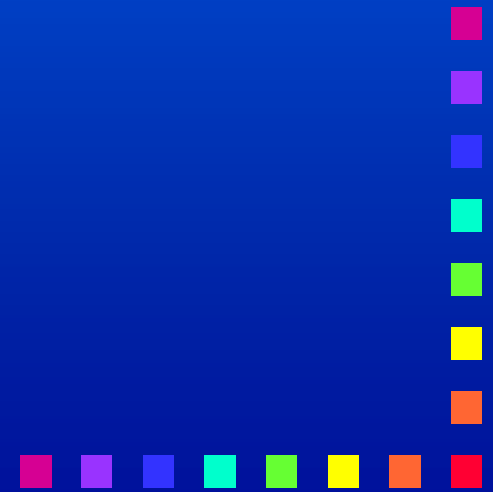
- NFIR: $u(k-i)$
 - NARX: $u(k-i), y(k-i)$
 - NOE: $u(k-i), \hat{y}(k-i)$
 - NARMAX: $u(k-i), y(k-i), \varepsilon(k-i) = y(k-i) - \hat{y}(k-i)$
 - NBJ: $u(k-i), y(k-i), \varepsilon(k-i), \varepsilon_n(k-i) = y(k-n) - \hat{y}_n(k-i)$
 - State-space
-
- other possible regressors



Nonlinear mappings

$$g(\boldsymbol{\psi}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum \alpha_k g_k(\boldsymbol{\psi})$$

- Fourier series (scalar case)
- $g_k(\boldsymbol{\psi})$ is a basis function
- “Known” structures:
 - wavelet functions
 - B splines
 - **ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS**
 - Multilayer perceptron
 - radial basis function network
 - etc
 - **FUZZY MODELS**



Forms of known structures:

- Neural networks with sigmoid activation function

$$g_k(\boldsymbol{\psi}) = \sigma(\beta_k \boldsymbol{\psi} + \gamma_k)$$

γ - position

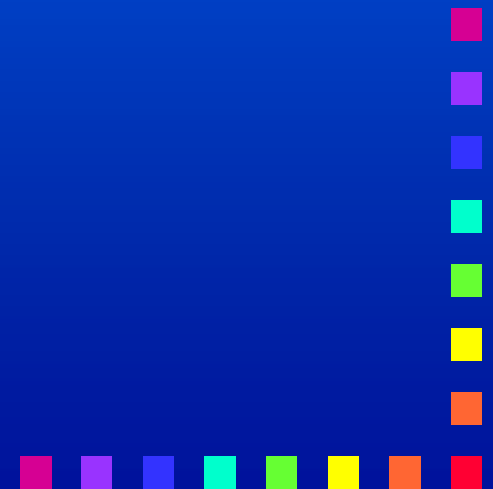
- Radial basis function networks

$$g_k(\boldsymbol{\psi}) = r(\beta_k (\boldsymbol{\psi} - \gamma_k))$$

β - direction
scale

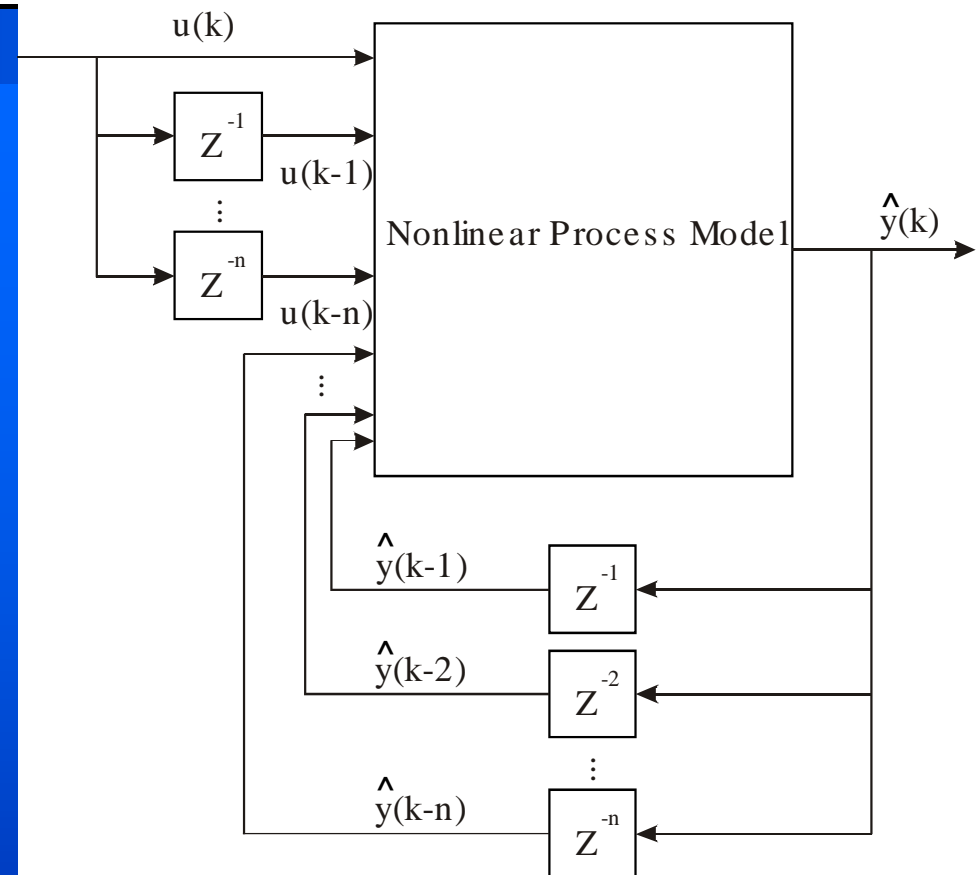
- Fuzzy models

$$g(\boldsymbol{\psi}) = \sum_j y_j (\prod \mu_A(\boldsymbol{\psi}))$$



- Multilayer networks
- Recurrent networks

$$\varphi(k) = g(\psi(k - i), \theta)$$



- Algorithms for estimation of parameters:
 - Gauss-Newton algorithms are very efficient,
 - Off-line identification, as well as on-line (recursive),
 - Gradient optimisation methods – time consuming.



Subproblems:

- Systematic selection of regressors
 - $u(k)$ - static nonlinearity
 - $u(k-i)$
 - $u(k-i), y(k-i)$
 - ...
- Selection of basis function
 - Most of them are universal “approximators”
 - There exist no exact criteria for basis function selection except subjective ones
 - “Radial” functions for low number of regressors (e.g. wavelet function for max. 3 regressors)
 - “ridge” functions for larger number of regressors (e.g. neural networks with sigmoid functions)
 - Fuzzy models, where heuristic knowledge exists.
- Models order ($2n+1$, Takan’s theorem);



Measures of model quality

- Measure of model quality (example)

$$\bar{V}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = E \left\| y(t) - g(\boldsymbol{\psi}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right\|^2 = \lambda + E \left\| g_0(\boldsymbol{\psi}(t)) - g(\boldsymbol{\psi}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right\|^2$$

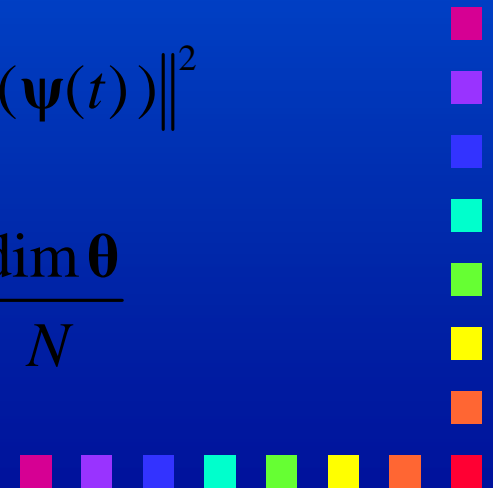
- Three sources of differences with true system:

- noise $e(t)$; variance $\lambda = E(e^2(t))$

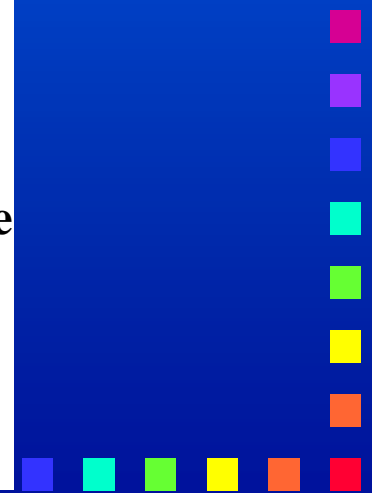
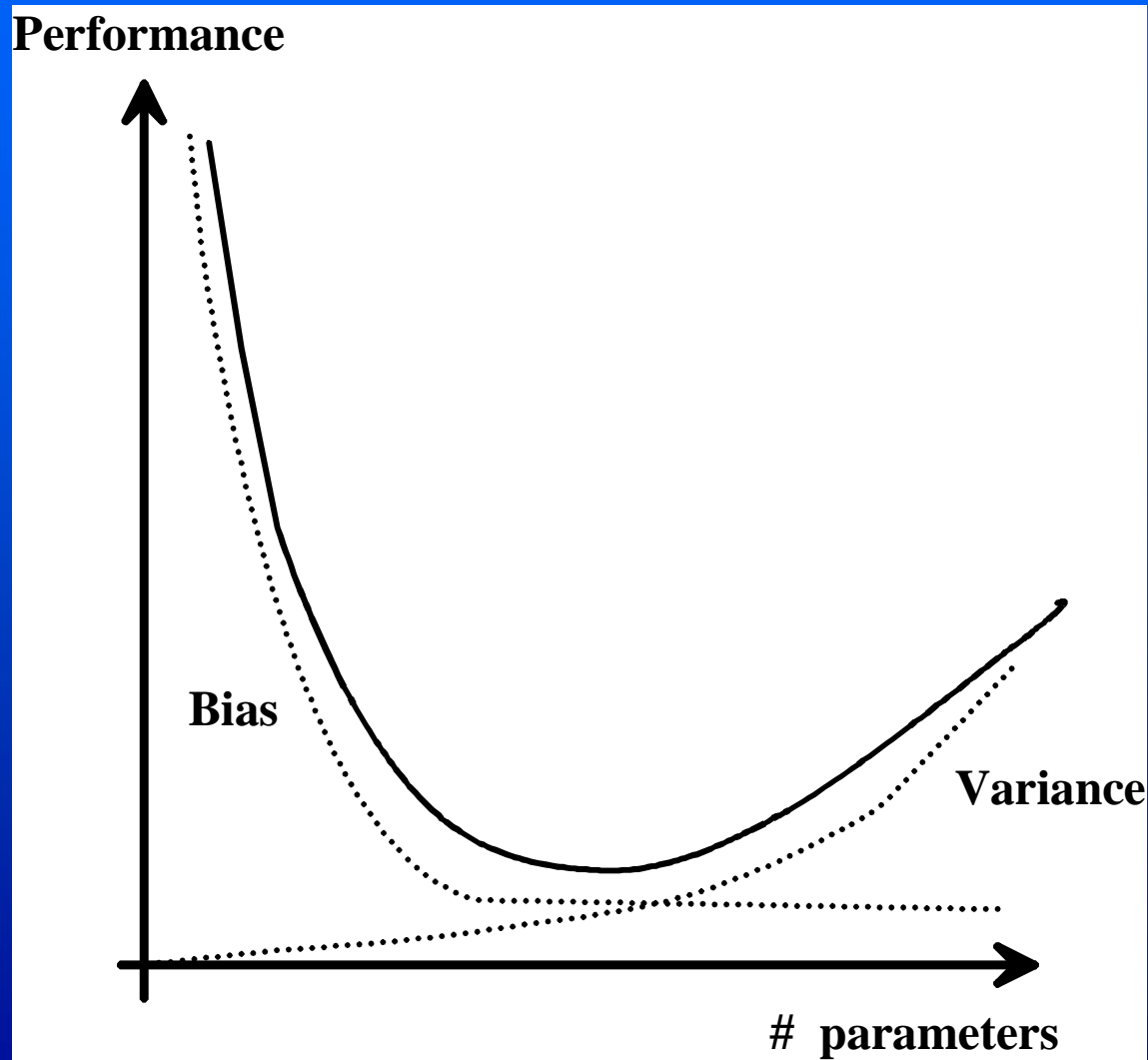
- bias $V = E \left\| g_0(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_N, \boldsymbol{\psi}(t)) - g^*(\boldsymbol{\psi}(t)) \right\|^2$

- Variance of estimation

$$V = \lambda \frac{\dim \boldsymbol{\theta}}{N}$$

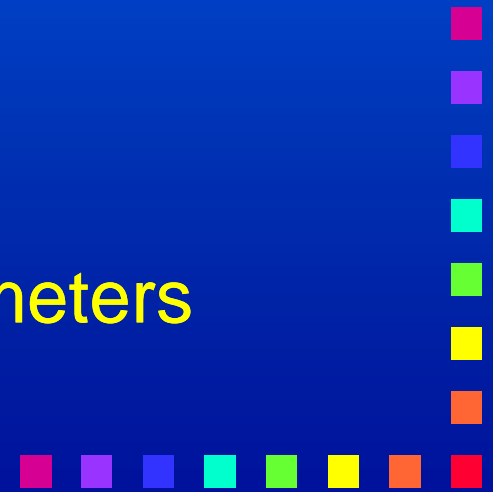


There is always a limitation to model fit.



Recommendations for practice:

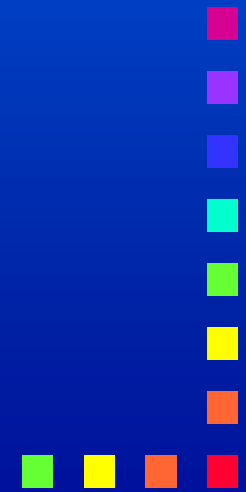
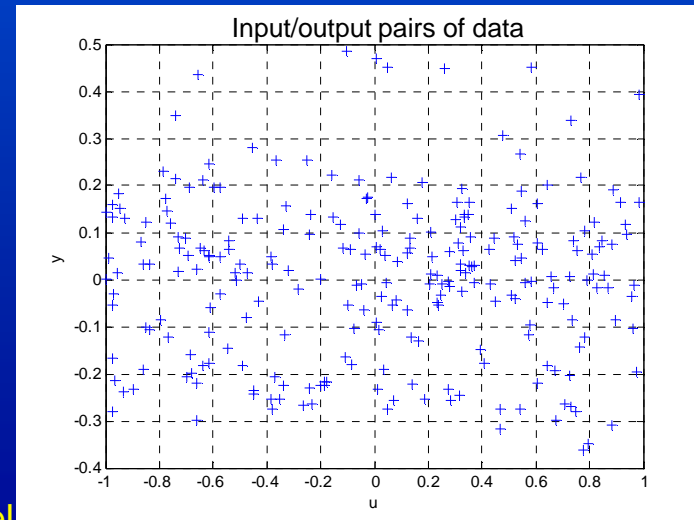
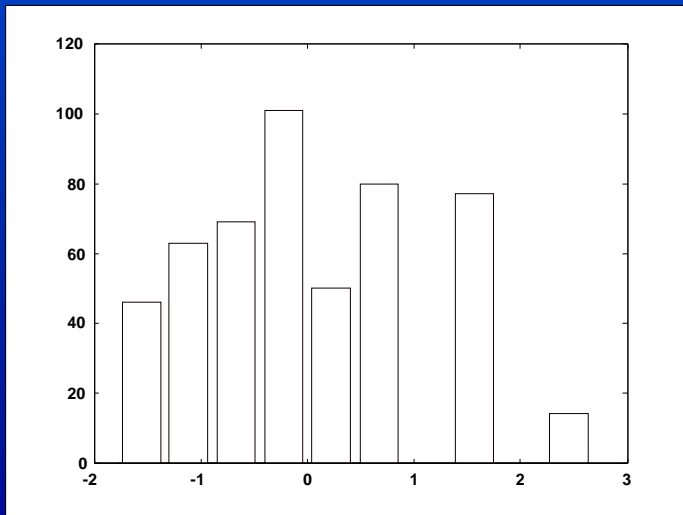
- Look at the data
(detection of nonlinearity, time constants).
- Try simple things first
(try simple structures and model orders first, at first linear models and small number of estimation parameters).
- Look into the physics (ideas for regressors).
- Validation and estimation data.
- Center and scale the data.
- The bias-variance trade-off.
- The notion of efficient number of parameters (shrinking).



- Sampling time selection (same rule as for linear systems).

Sampling time should be selected to grasp all interesting process dynamics.

- Input signal selection
(look at magnitude distribution and input/output distribution of the data)



Model validation

- One-step-ahead prediction

$$\hat{y}(k) = g(y(k-1), y(k-2), \dots, u(k-1), u(k-2), \dots)$$

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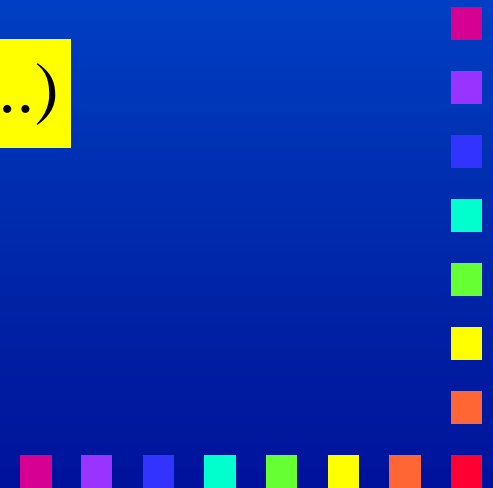
- Simulation

$$\hat{y}(k) = g(\hat{y}(k-1), \hat{y}(k-2), \dots, u(k-1), u(k-2), \dots)$$

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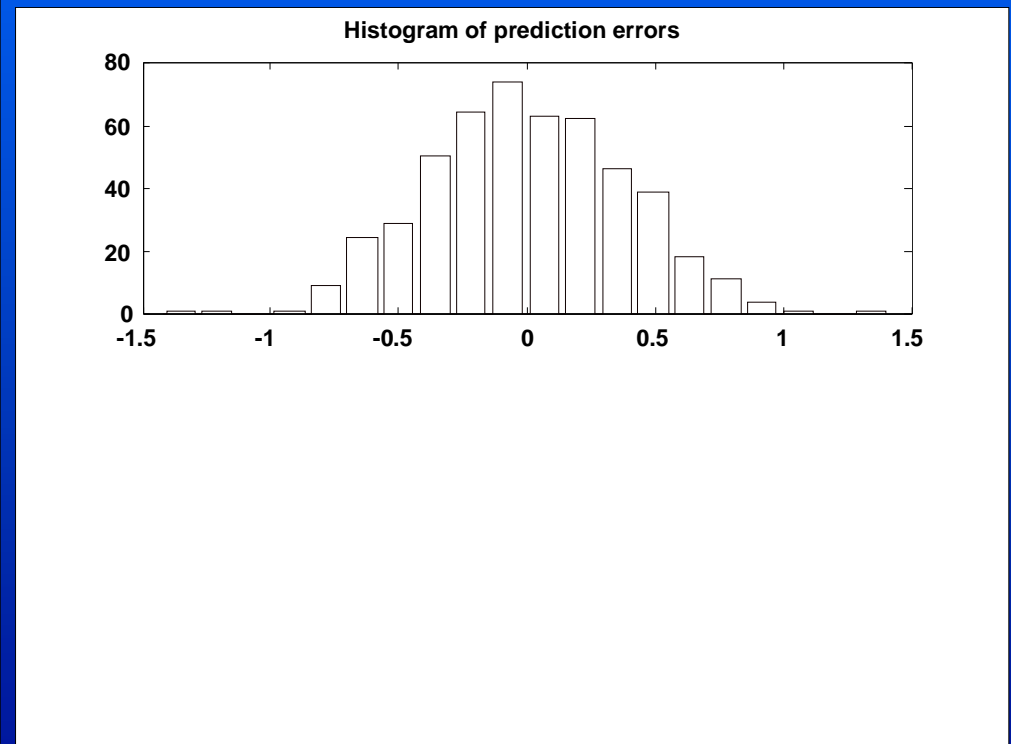
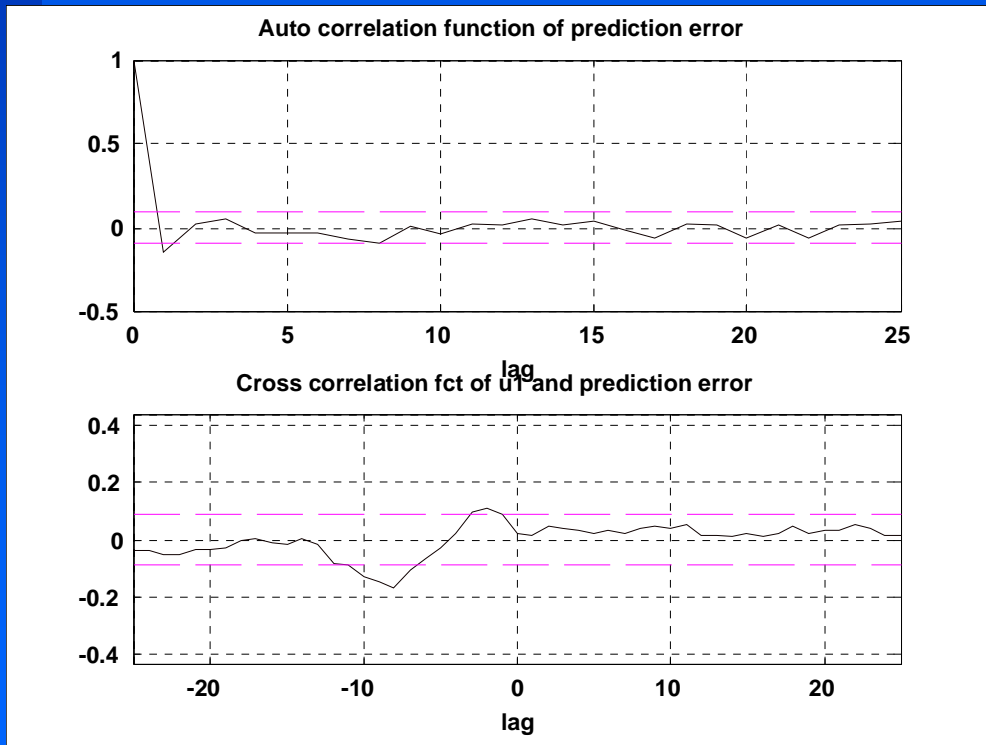
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Model validation

- Validation of residuals for one-step-ahead



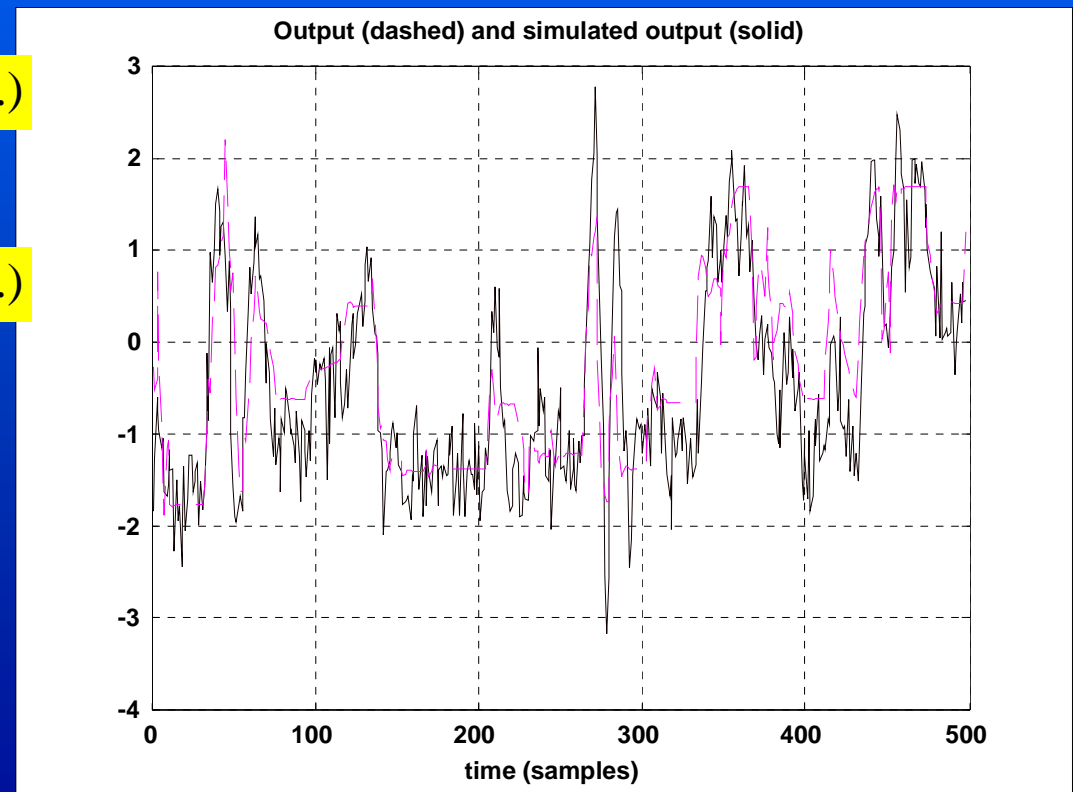
Model validation

- The consistency of input/output response
 - One-step-ahead prediction

$$\hat{y}(k) = g(y(k-1), y(k-2), \dots, u(k-1), u(k-2), \dots)$$

- Simulation ✓

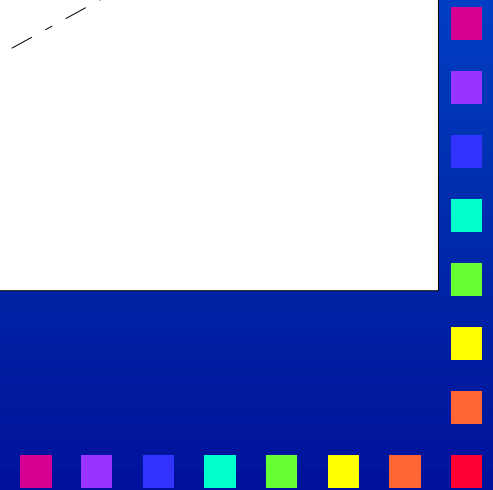
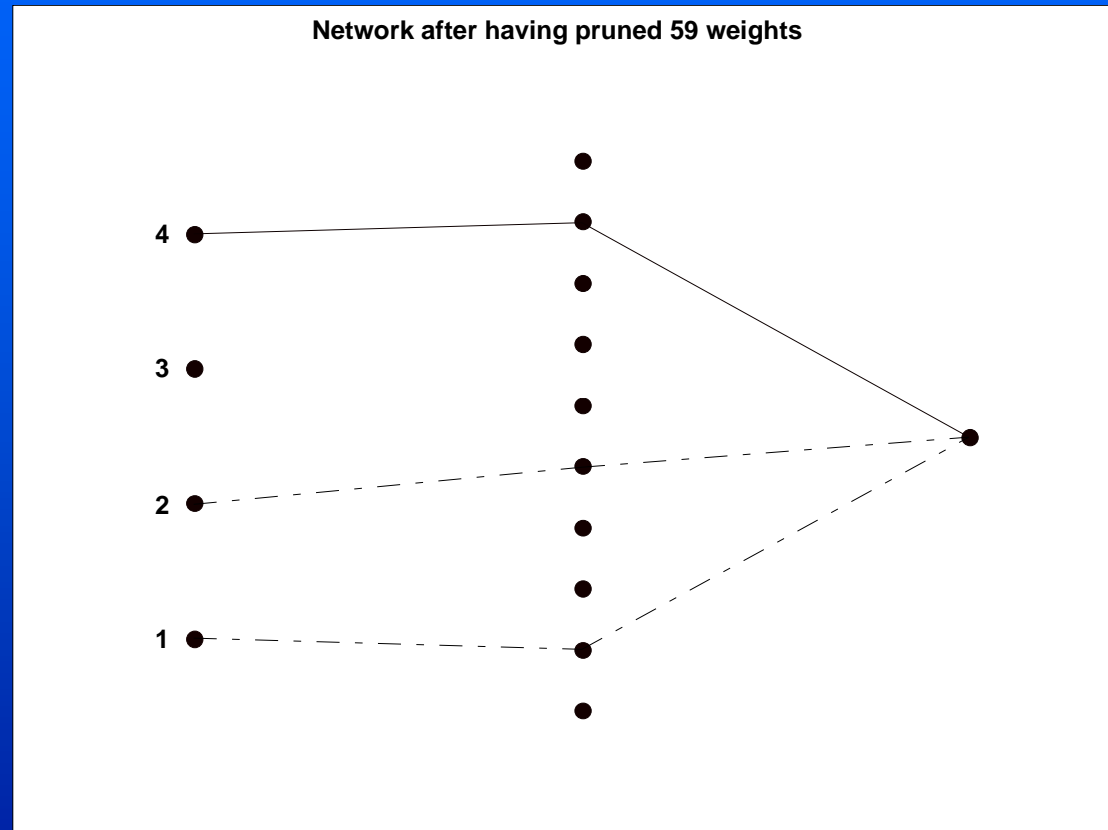
$$\hat{y}(k) = g(\hat{y}(k-1), \hat{y}(k-2), \dots, u(k-1), u(k-2), \dots)$$



Model validation

- Model reduction (pruning)

- Model purposiveness or usefulness



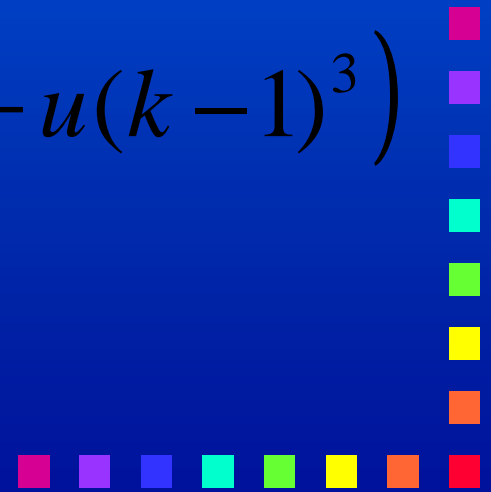
Example of identification of 1st order system

Mathematical model of the process with parameters

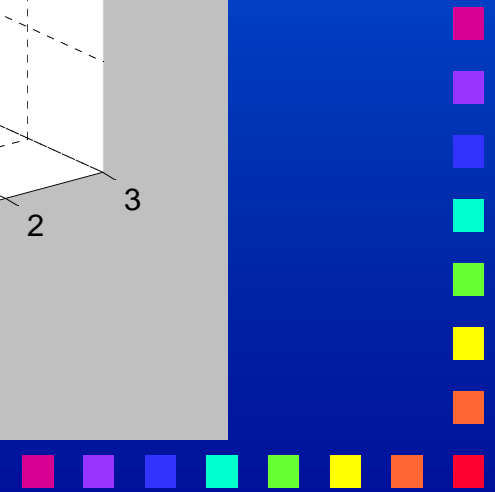
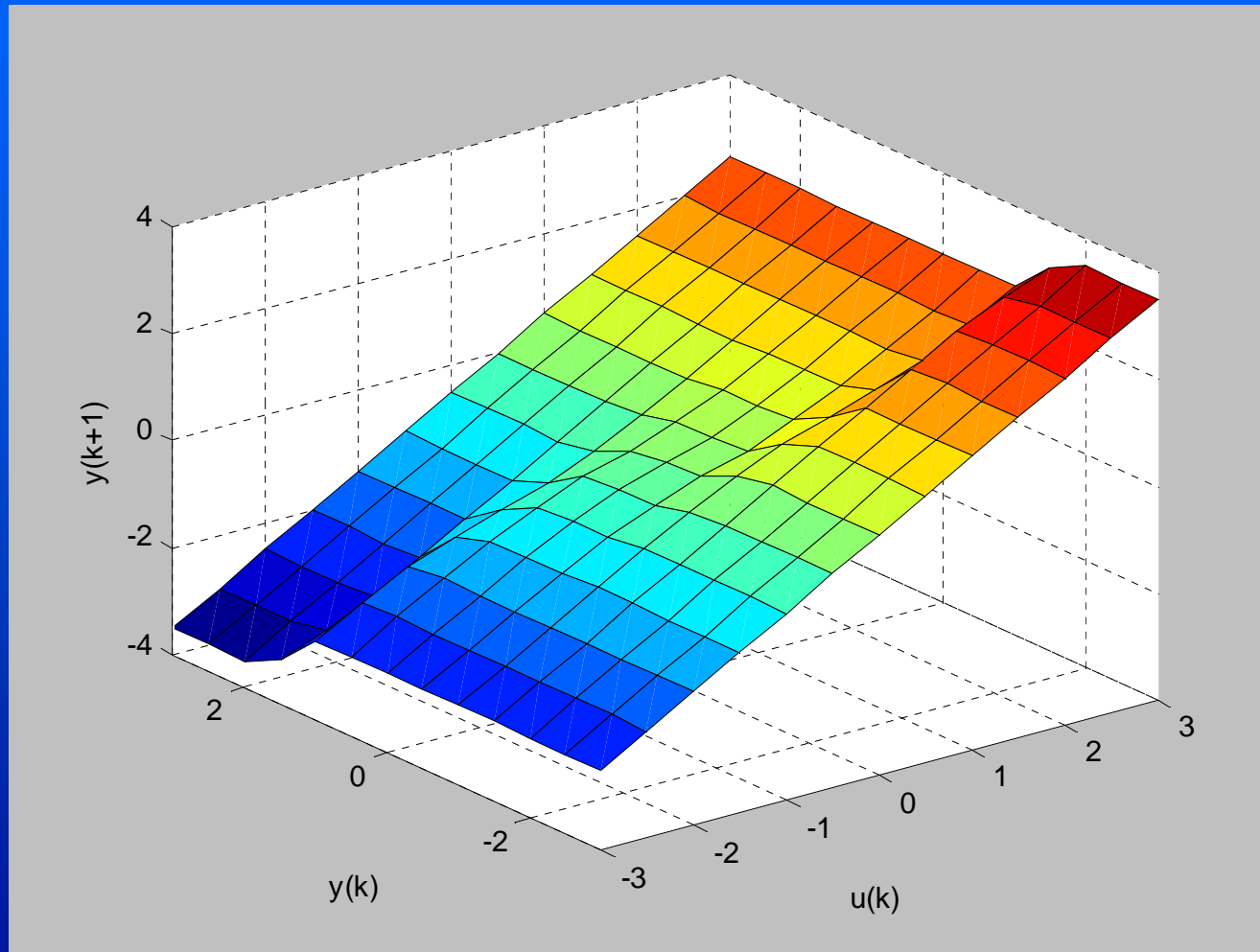
$$y(k) = y(k-1) - 0.5 \tanh\left(y(k-1) + u(k-1)^3\right)$$

u – input signal

y – output signal



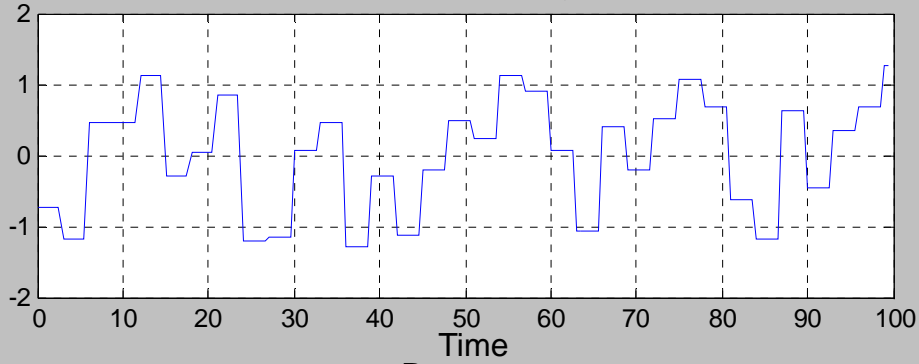
Nonlinearity of the system



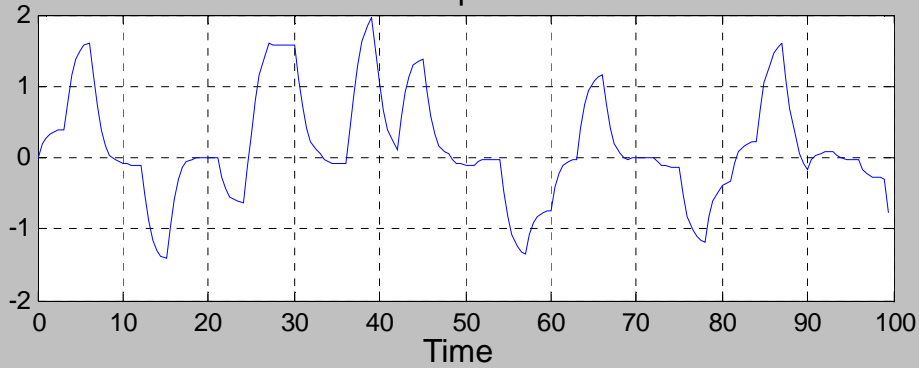
Estimation signal and response

Validation signal and response

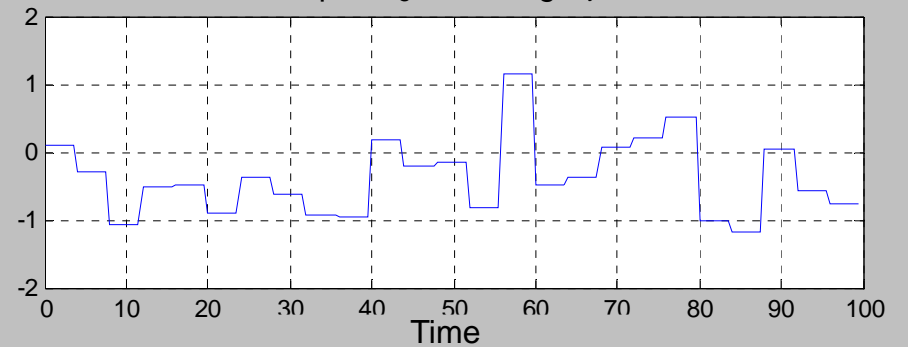
Input estimation signal



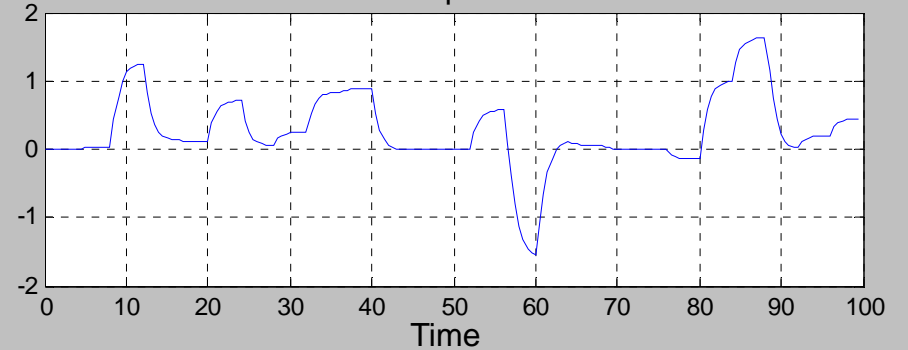
Response



Input validation signal

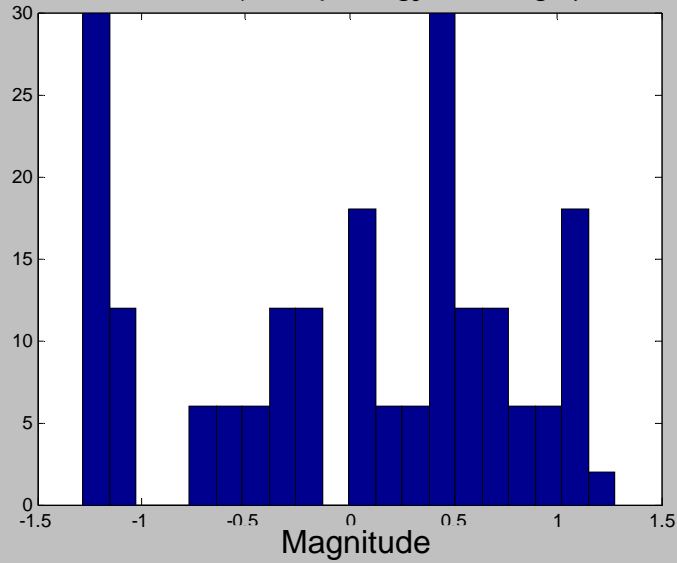


Response

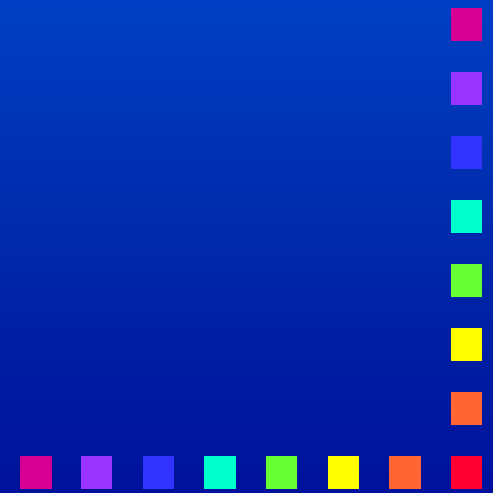
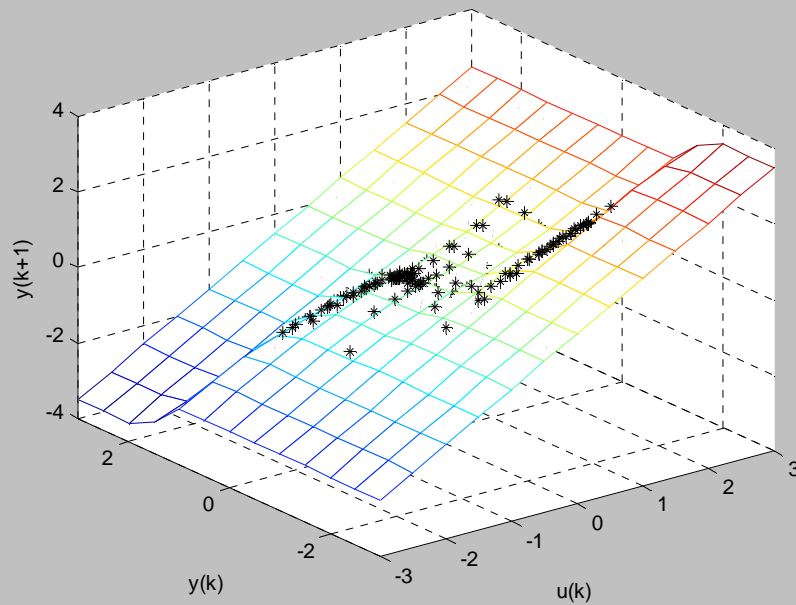
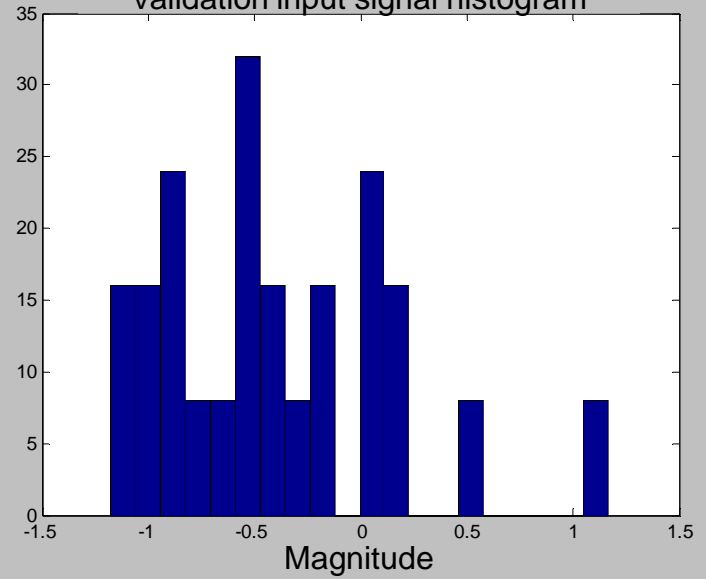


Histograms of magnitudes and input/output data

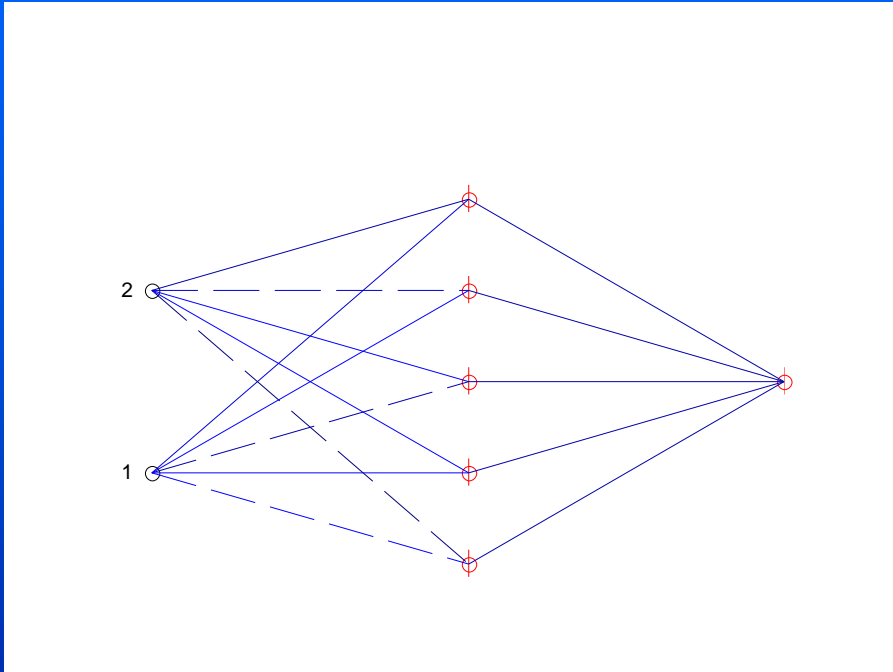
Estimation input signal histogram



Validation input signal histogram



Neural network, regressors, structure and parameters



Used software:
NNSYSID Toolbox for Matlab

Regressors:
 $y(k-1), u(k-1)$

Structure:
ARX (model error method)

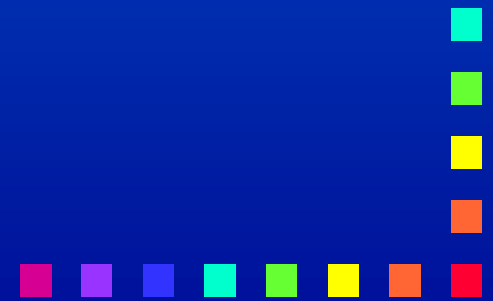
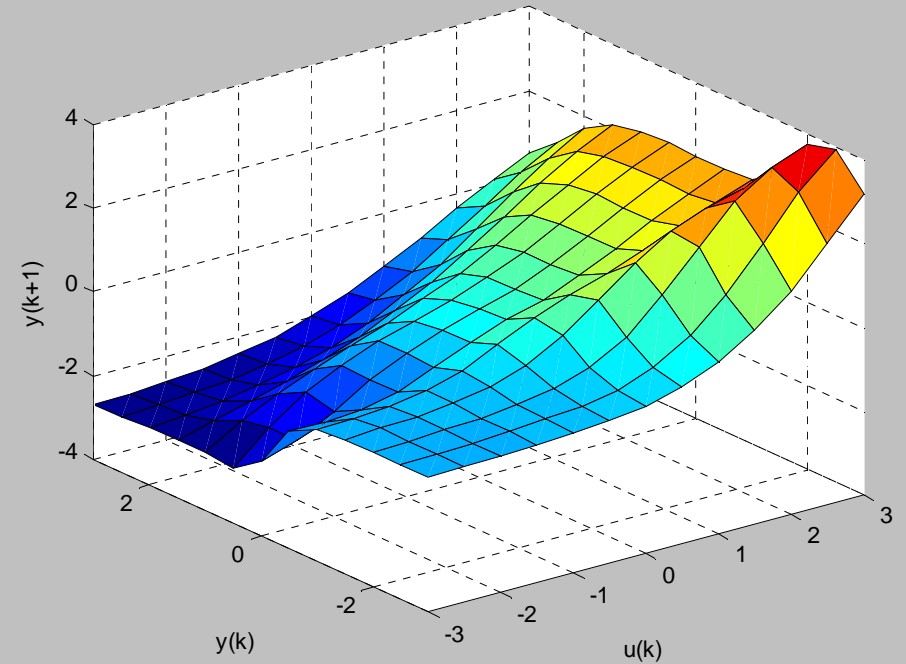
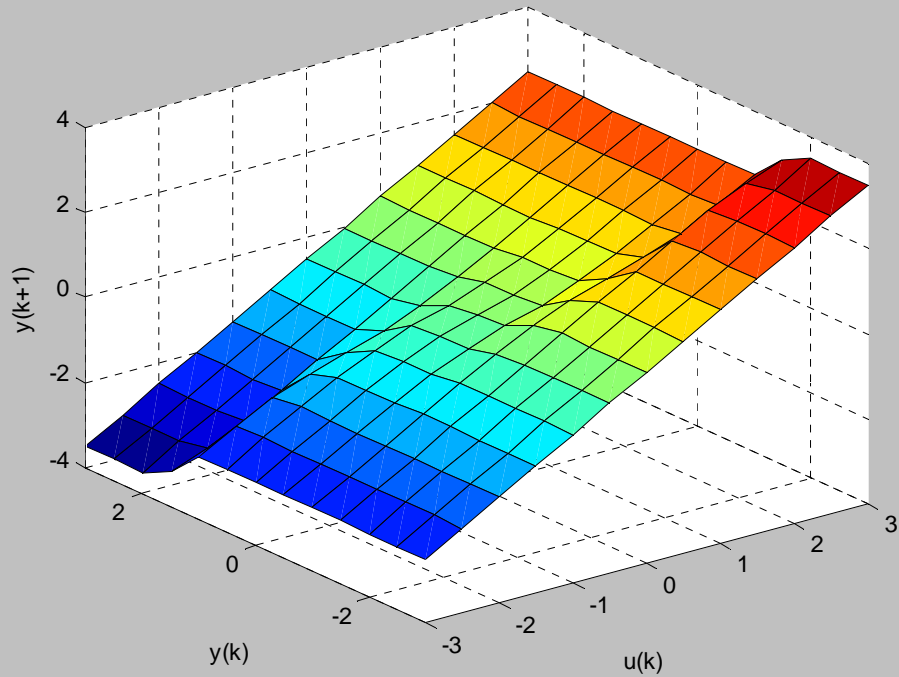
Optimisation method:
Levenberg-Marquardt

$$\mathbf{W}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5588 & -2.0621 & -1.9530 \\ 0.5155 & 0.0499 & -0.8670 \\ -1.5149 & 0.3190 & 0.4768 \\ 0.3366 & -1.2029 & 1.8379 \\ 0.8411 & 1.3841 & 1.7123 \end{bmatrix}$$

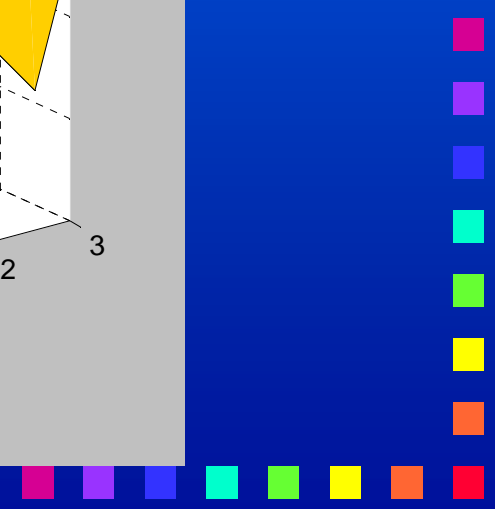
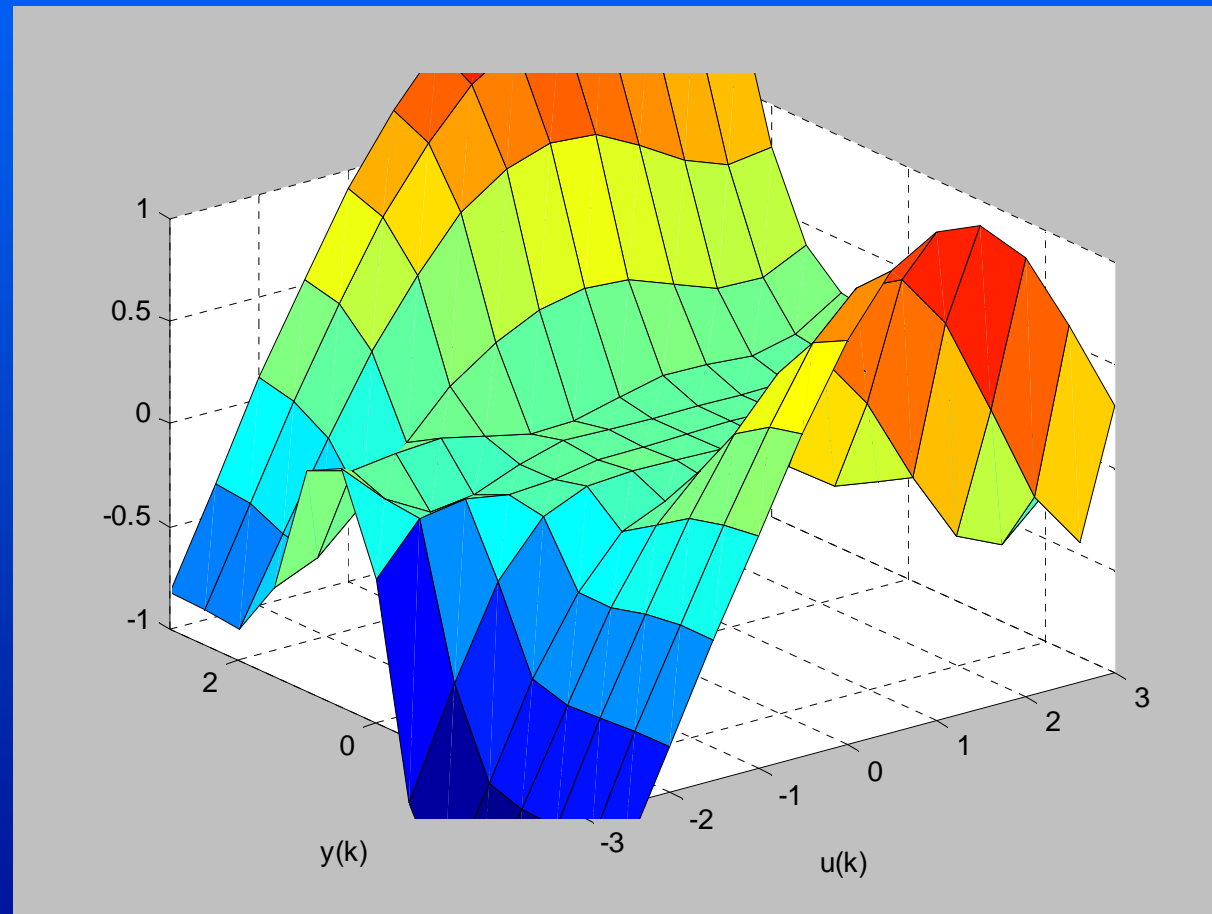
$$\mathbf{W}_2 = [1.2054 \quad 1.7784 \quad 0.0810 \quad 1.1704 \quad 1.4048 \quad -0.0580]$$



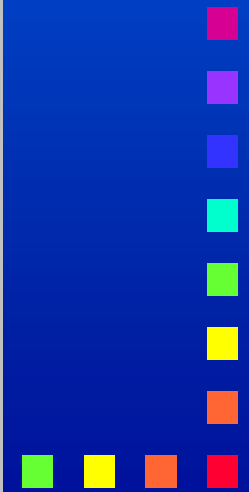
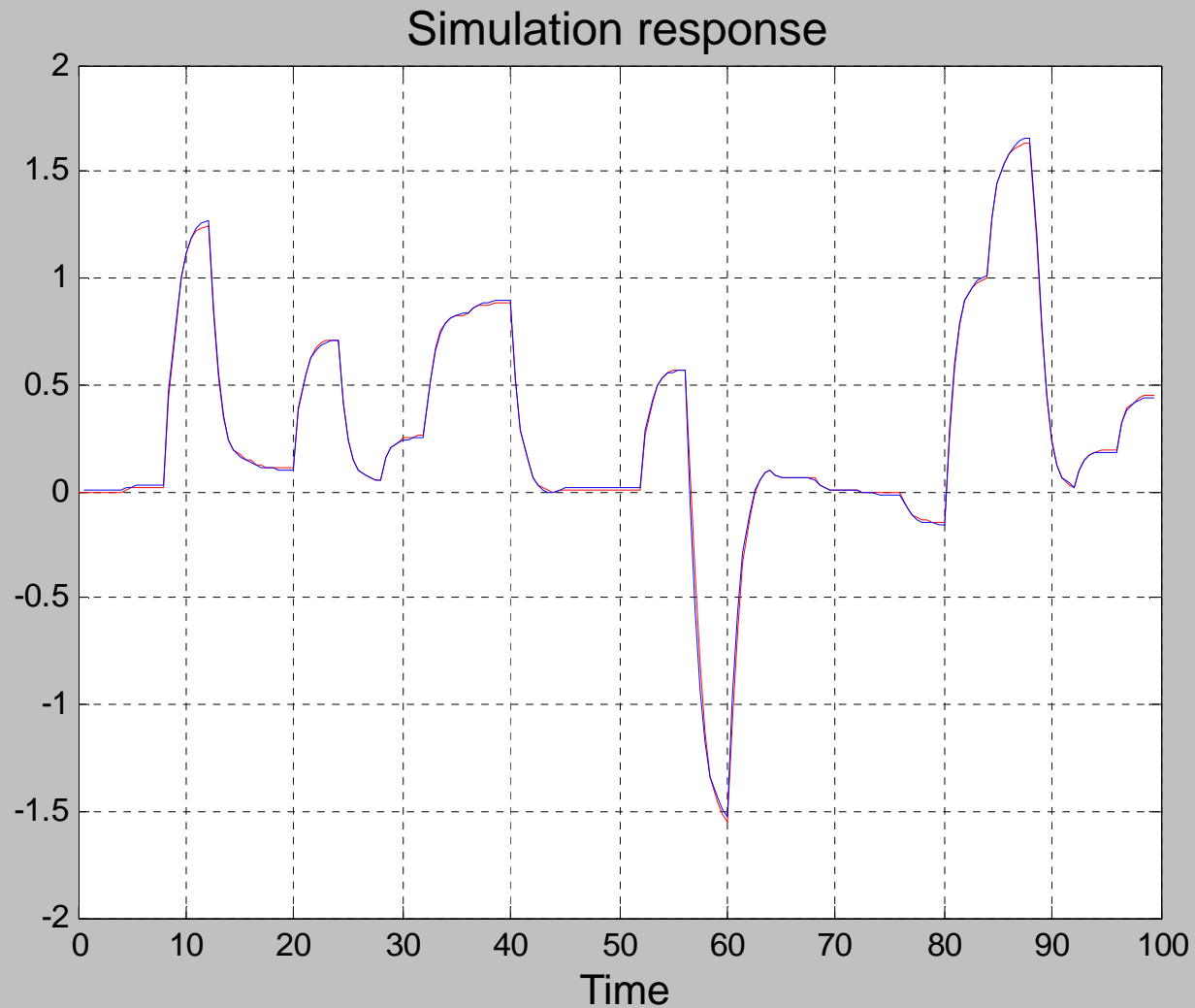
Model validation (one-step-ahead prediction)



Validation of residuals (one-step-ahead prediction)

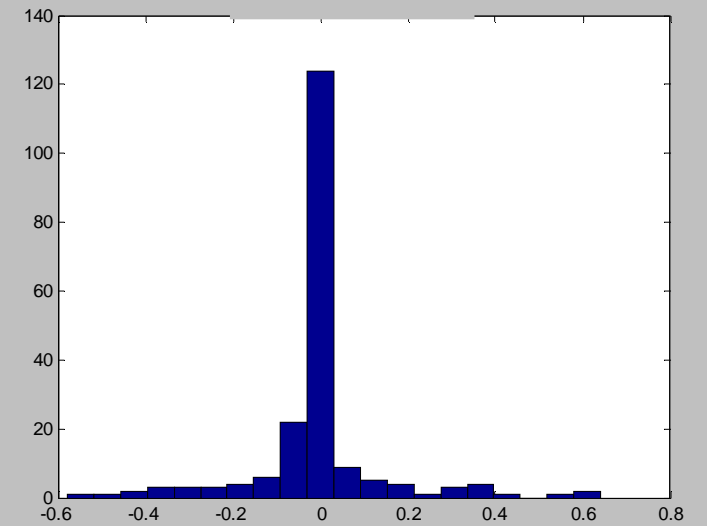
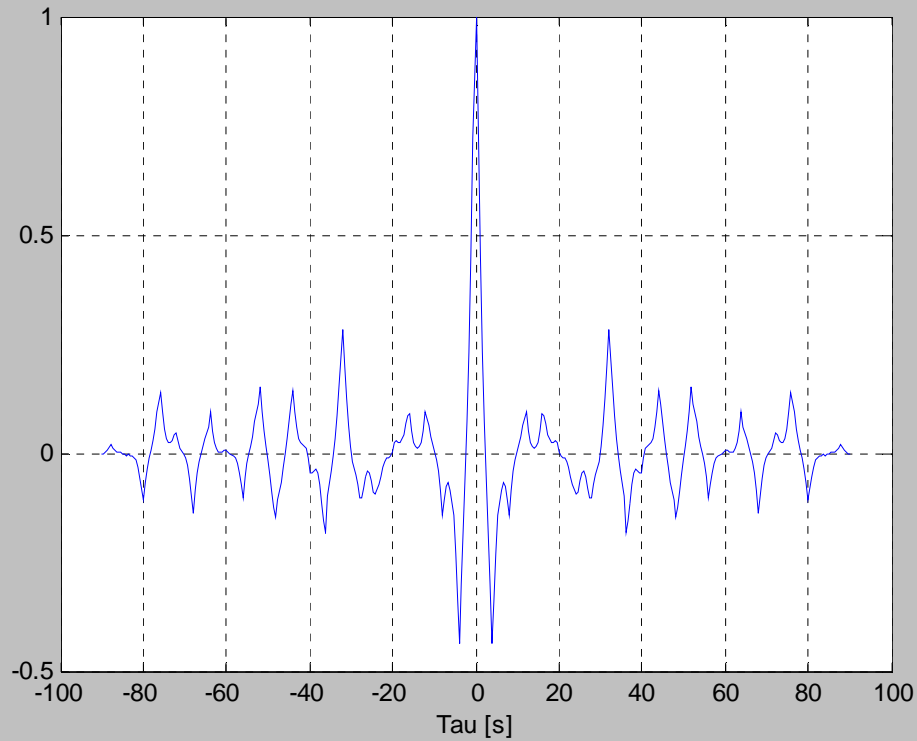


Model response and original system's response on validation data (simulation, not one-step-ahead prediction)

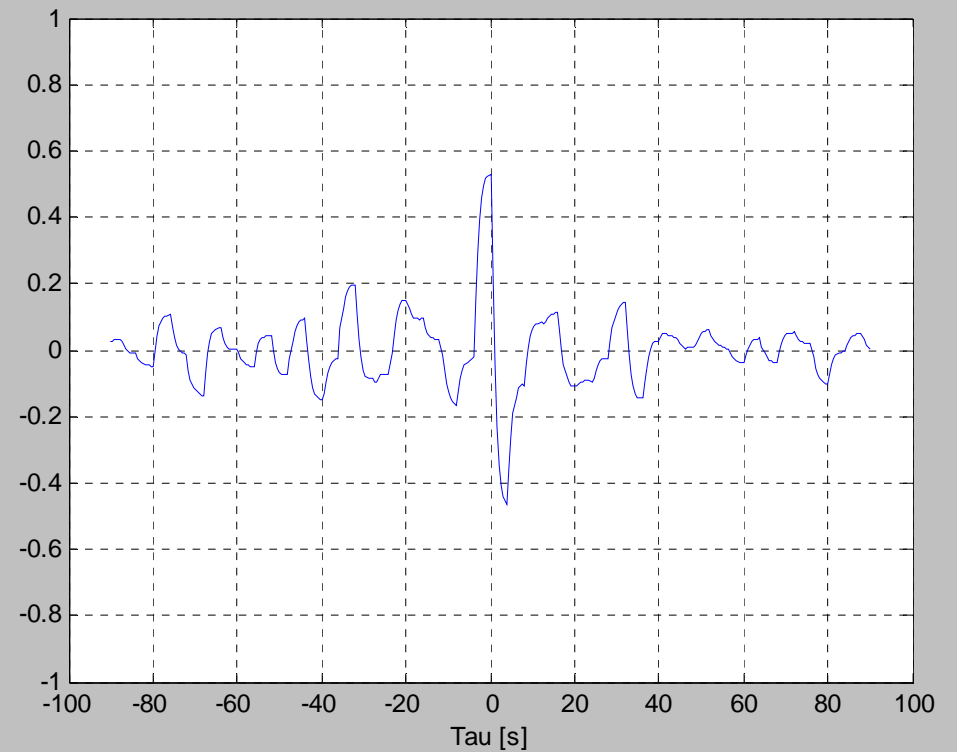


Residuals of simulated validation data

Residuals autocorrelation



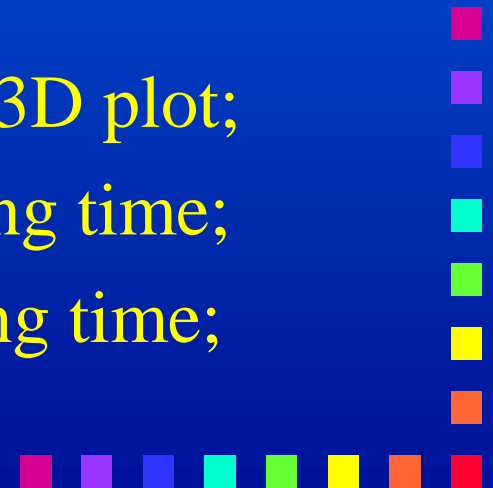
Cross-correlation between e and u



Examination assignment

Select a discrete nonlinear system of the 1st order, identify it and make a written report. The report should contain the following items:

- mathematical model of the original system with all parameters;
- Simulation scheme or Matlab code that enables rerun of data acquisition (no masks);
- Show the nonlinearity of the system in 3D plot;
- Estimation signal and response, sampling time;
- Validation signal and response, sampling time;



- Histograms of magnitudes and input/output data pairs;
- Type of neural network and optimisation method;
- Figure of the final network structure;
- Values of parameters (weights);
- Figure of comparison between original system simulation response and model simulation response on validation signal.
- Simulation residuals validation on validation data
(the figure of residuals, residuals histogram, ϕ_{ee} , ϕ_{ue}).

Eksperiments should be repeatable based on your report only. Reports should not be longer than 6 pages.

