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# **Estimation with Generalized-T Distribution** noise model

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**Non-Gaussian measurement** Motivation Main Objectives data 0.025 --- Gaussian curve Noise can be non-Gaussian. Develop a parameter and state GT curve

- Least-squares estimation assumes Gaussian noise.
- is Least-squares estimation sensitive to outliers.
- Use robust statistics to handle non-Gaussian noise and outliers.

#### **Generalized-T Distribution**



- estimator system that can deal with non-Gaussian noise.
- > Develop a framework using the Influence Function to analyze the properties of the estimator.



Consider the linear in parameter model :  $y(k) = \phi(k)^T \theta + \varepsilon(k)$ where  $\phi(k) = \left[\phi_1(k), \dots, \phi_n(k)\right]^T$  are known.  $\theta = [\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n]^T$  are to be estimated. k = 1...N is the sampling instance.

To obtain the maximum likelihood estimate of the initial condition  $\theta$ , we minimize the cost function

Methodology 2 - State Estimation

 $\hat{x}(N \mid N-1) = A\hat{x}(N-1 \mid N-1) + bu(N-1)$ 

 $Y(z) = \frac{B(z)}{A(z)}U(z) + E(z)$ 



The maximum likelihood criterion was used to fit the Gaussian distribution (dotted) and GT distribution (solid) to the thickness measurements.

### The AR model with outlier

Consider the autoregressive (AR) model:

 $y(k) = ay(k-1) + \varepsilon(k)$ 

with  $\varepsilon(k)$  belongs to the following distribution

 $\varepsilon(k) = \begin{cases} \delta(\varepsilon_1) & k = k_1 \\ f(\varepsilon) & k \neq k_1 \end{cases}$ 



Different choices of the GT distribution  $f(\varepsilon) = -$ 

 $2\sigma q^{1/p}\beta(1/p,q)\left(1+\frac{|\varepsilon|^p}{\alpha\sigma^p}\right)^{q+1/p}$ 

shape parameters p and q can give different well-known distributions.

#### **Estimation Results**





 $J = -\sum_{k=1}^{N} \ln \left( f(y(k) - \theta(k)^{T} \theta) \right)$ 

Consider the discrete model:

where  $\varepsilon(k)$  are modeled as GT.

The recursive algorithm :

 $z(N) = \rho(\varepsilon(N))$ 

 $\varepsilon(N) = y(N) - c\hat{x}(N \mid N - 1)$ 

 $P(N) = (P(N-1)^{-1} + \phi(N)^T \phi(N))^{-1}$ 

 $\Delta \hat{x}(N \mid N) = A^{N-1} P(N) \phi(N)^T z(N)$ 

 $\hat{x}(N \mid N) = \hat{x}(N \mid N - 1) + \Delta \hat{x}(N \mid N)$ 

#### **Closed-loop Control**





Impact / expected result

#### **Future Goals**

Least-Square Estimation

Robust estimation of parameters and states of a building.

 $\succ$  Demonstrate result on building data.

 $\succ$  Extend the methodology to handle a wider range of process model.

 $\succ$  Reduce computation.



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