



On Moment Problems in Robust Control, Spectral Estimation, Image Processing and System Identification

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What is the talk about

- A classical problem – **the moment problem** – with a decidedly non-classical twist motivated by engineering applications.
- What is new are certain **rationality constraints** imposed by applications that alter the mathematical problem and make it nonlinear.
- A **global-analysis approach** that studies the class of solutions as a whole.
- A **powerful paradigm** for smoothly parameterizing, comparing, and shaping solutions to specifications.

The moment problem

Given c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n ,
find $d\mu$ such that

$$\int_a^b \alpha_k(t) d\mu = c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

$d\mu \in \mathcal{M}_+$
space of
positive
measures

- Power moment problem: $\alpha_k(t) = t^k$
- Trigonometric moment problem: $\alpha_k(t) = e^{ikt}$, $[a, b] = [-\pi, \pi]$
- Nevanlinna-Pick interpolation: $\alpha_k(t) = \frac{e^{it} + z_k}{e^{it} - z_k}$, $[a, b] = [-\pi, \pi]$



Chebyshev



Markov



Lyapunov

$$\int_a^b \alpha_k(t) d\mu = c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

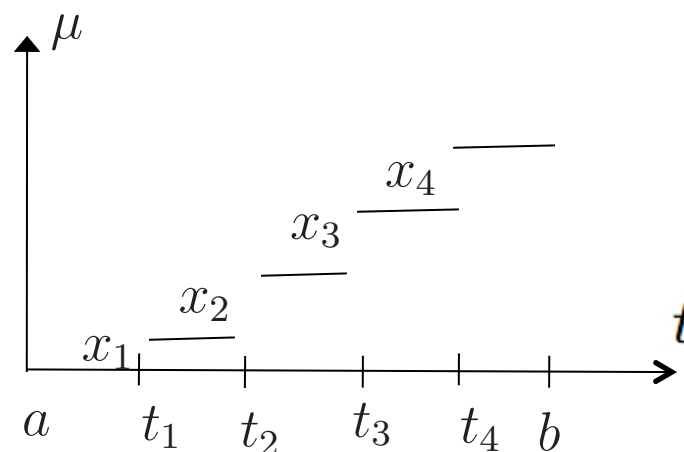
Ex. 1 μ step function \longrightarrow

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_k(t_j) x_j = c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0(t_1) & \alpha_0(t_2) & \cdots & \alpha_0(t_N) \\ \alpha_1(t_1) & \alpha_1(t_2) & \cdots & \alpha_1(t_N) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \alpha_n(t_1) & \alpha_n(t_2) & \cdots & \alpha_n(t_N) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

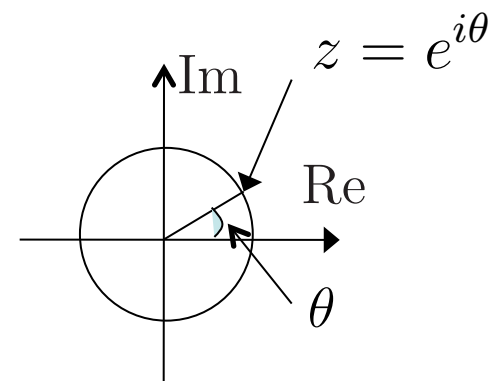
$$N > n$$

infinitely many solutions



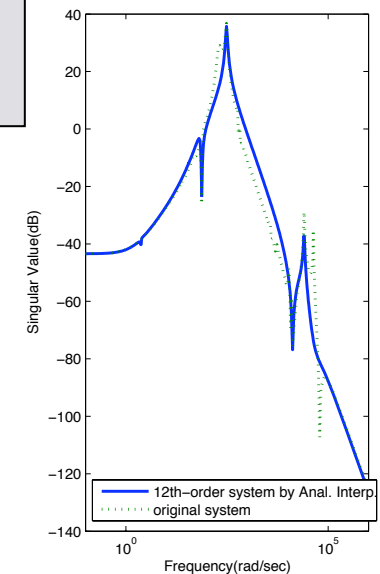
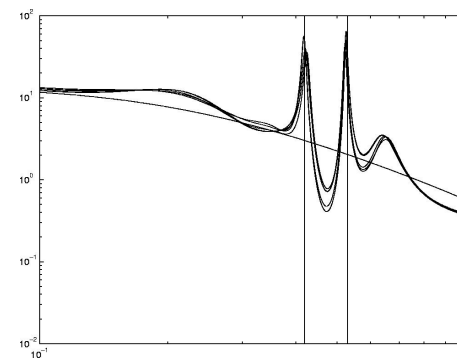
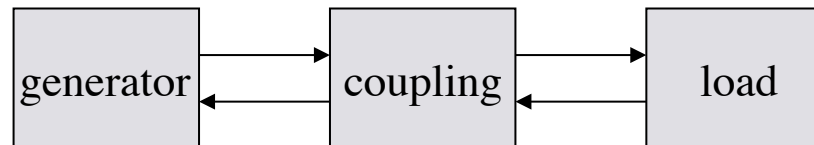
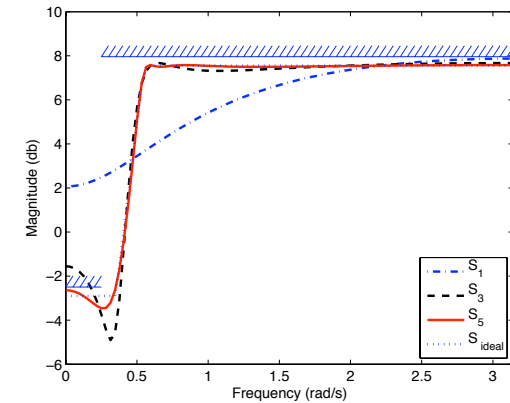
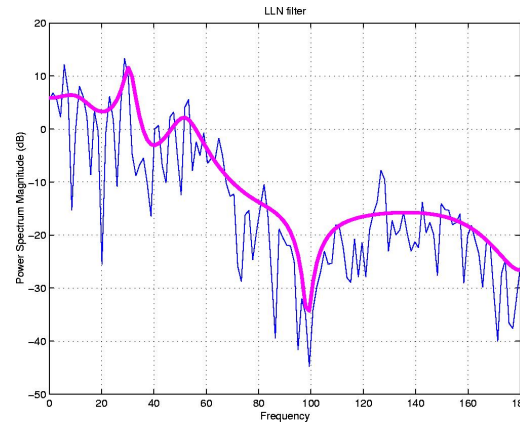
Ex. 2 $d\mu = \Phi(e^{i\theta}) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$ spectral density

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ik\theta} \Phi(e^{i\theta}) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} = c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$



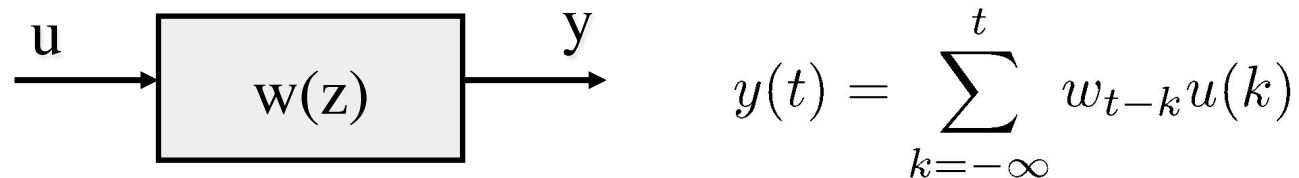
Where do we find moment problems in applications?

- spectral estimation
- speech synthesis
- system identification
- image processing
- optimal control
- robust control
- model reduction
- model matching problems
- simultaneous stabilization
- optimal power transfer



... and why do these problems require a nonclassical approach?

- Solution must be of bounded complexity (such as rational of a bounded degree) so that one can realize it by a finite-dimensional device



System is **finite-dimensional** iff $w(z) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w_k z^{-k}$ is **rational**

- Classical theory does not provide natural parameterizations of rational solutions of bounded degree

Prototype problem: Covariance extension

$c_k = E\{y(t+k)y(t)\}$, $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$,
 where y stationary stochastic process

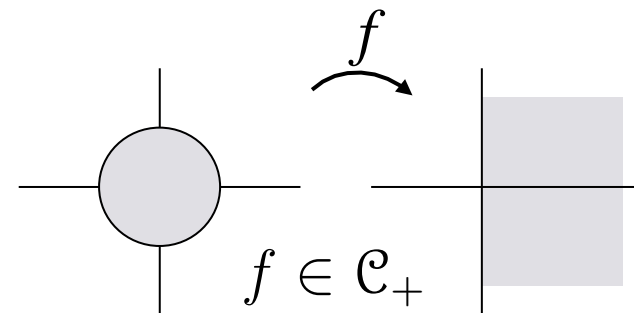
Given c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n , find an **infinite**
 extension c_{n+1}, c_{n+2}, \dots such that

Carathéodory
 Schur

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2}c_0 + c_1z + \dots + c_nz^n + c_{n+1}z^{n+1} + \dots$$

(i) is a Carathéodory function

(ii) is rational of degree at most n



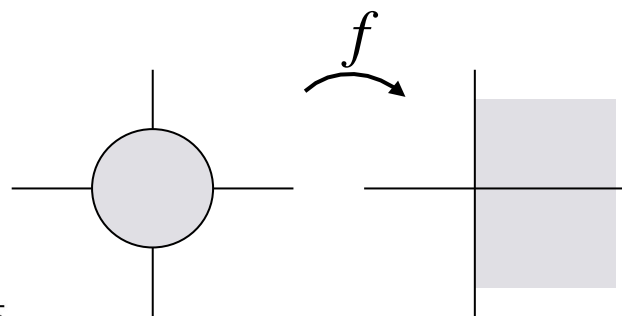
Kalman

Trigonometric moment problem

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2}c_0 + c_1z + \cdots + c_nz^n + c_{n+1}z^{n+1} + \cdots$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi(e^{i\theta}) &= 2\operatorname{Re}\{f(e^{i\theta})\} \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{ik\theta} \geq 0\end{aligned}$$

$$c_{-k} = \bar{c}_k$$

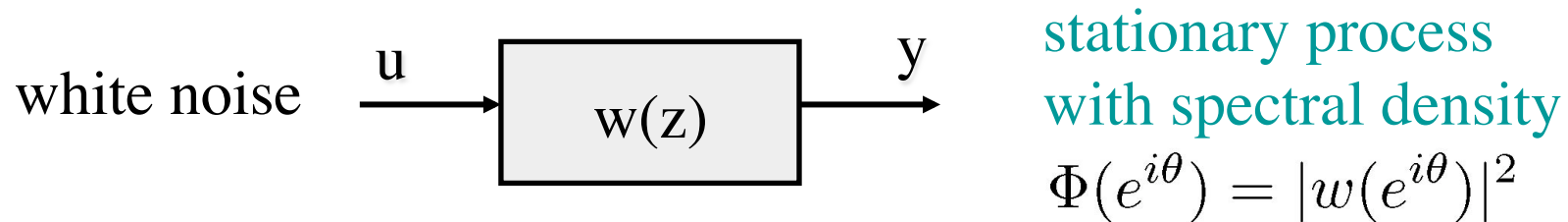


MOMENT PROBLEM: Find Φ of degree at most $2n$ such that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ik\theta} \Phi(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$\Phi(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}, \quad P, Q \text{ trigonometric polynomials of degree } n$$

Spectral estimation by covariance extension



$$c_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ik\theta} \Phi(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = E\{y(t+k)y(t)\}$$

$$= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{t=0}^{N-k} y_{t+k} y_t$$

where

$$y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N$$

observed data

Since $N < \infty$, we use
ergodic estimate

$$c_k = \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{t=0}^{N-k} y_{t+k} y_t$$

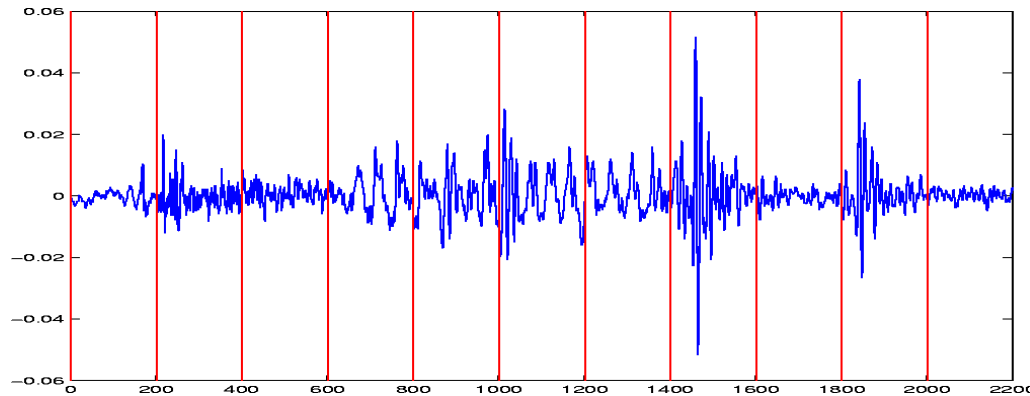
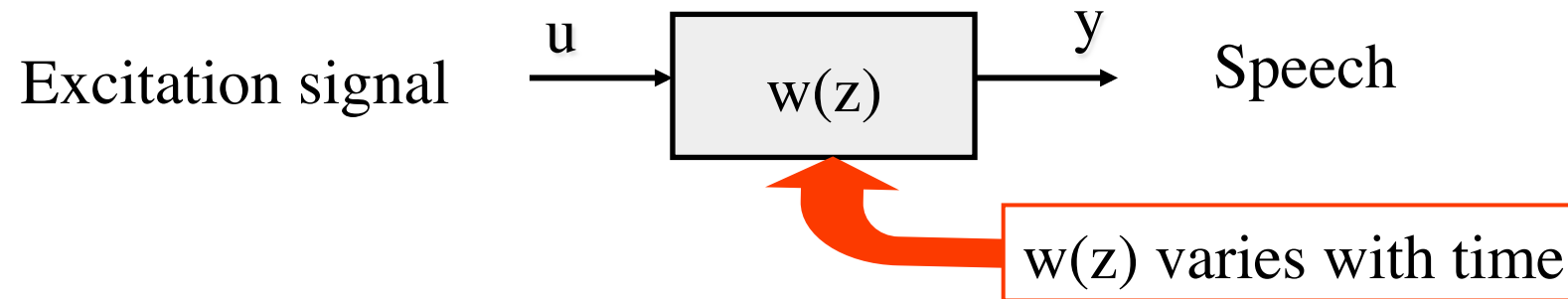
Hence, we can only estimate

$$c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n, \quad n \ll N$$

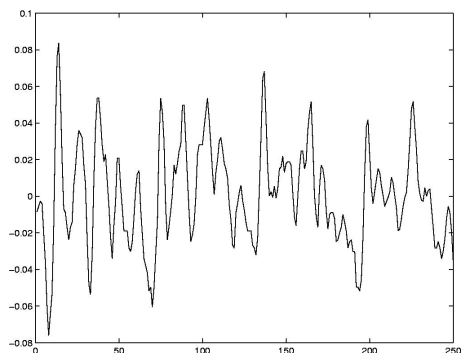
Remains to determine

$$c_{n+1}, c_{n+2}, c_{n+3}, \dots$$

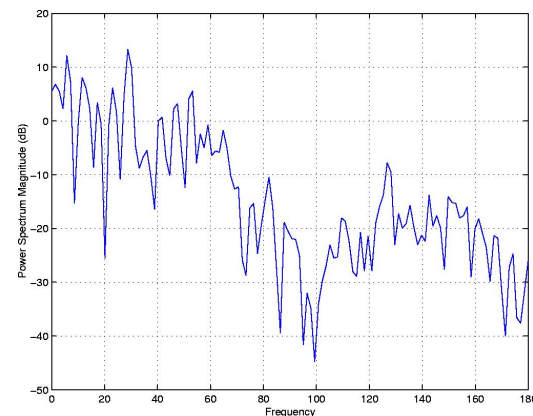
Modeling speech



$w(z)$ constant on each (30 ms) subinterval

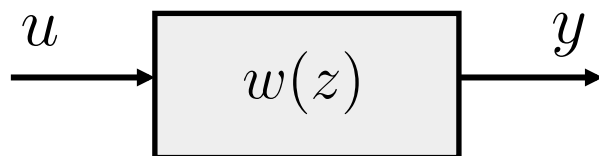


A 30 ms frame of speech for
the voiced nasal phoneme [ng]

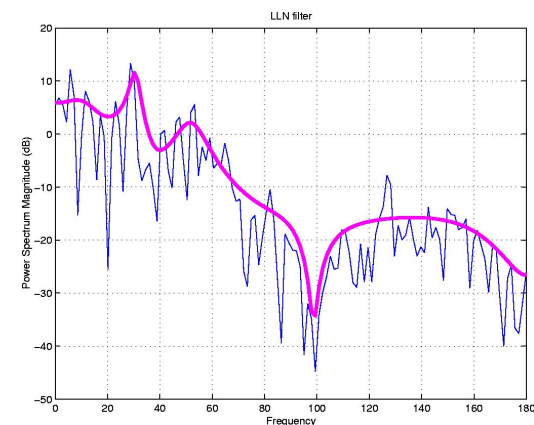


Periodogram (FFT) of
voiced nasal phoneme [ng]

Construct a rational filter with a rational $w(z)$
of low degree, modeling the window of speech



filter determined by
few parameters



Linear Predictive (LPC) Filtering

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_0 & c_1 & \cdots & c_{n-1} \\ c_1 & c_0 & \cdots & c_{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{n-1} & c_{n-2} & \cdots & c_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_{nn} \\ \varphi_{n,n-1} \\ \vdots \\ \varphi_{n1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_n \\ c_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ c_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

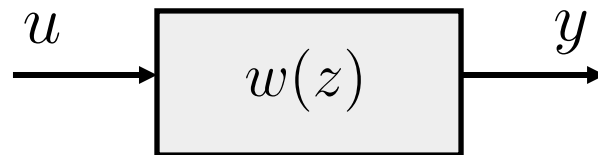
yields **Szegö polynomial**

$$\varphi_n(z) = z^n + \varphi_{n1}z^{n-1} + \cdots + \varphi_{nn}$$

and modeling filter

$$w(z) = \frac{\sqrt{\rho_n}z^n}{\varphi_n(z)} \quad \text{where} \quad \rho_n = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j \varphi_{nj}$$

Linear Predictive (LPC) Filtering



$$w(z) = \sqrt{\rho_n} \frac{z^n}{\varphi_n(z)} \quad n = 10$$

Choose an excitation signal u from a code book with $1024 = 2^{10}$ entries (10 bits)



Send coefficients in $\varphi_{10}(z)$ and number of “best” signal



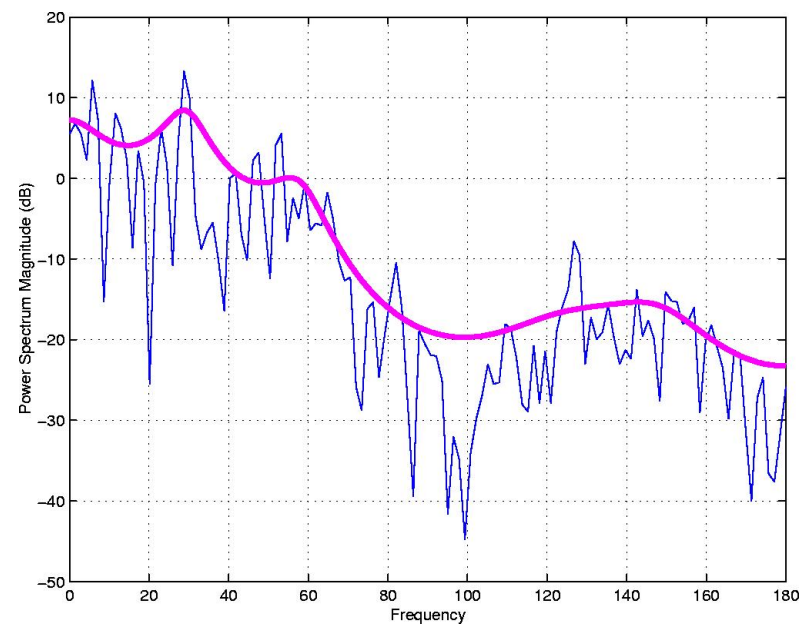
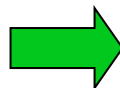
However, can we construct the general solution?

$$w(z) = \frac{\sigma(z)}{a(z)}$$

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Cellular telephone:

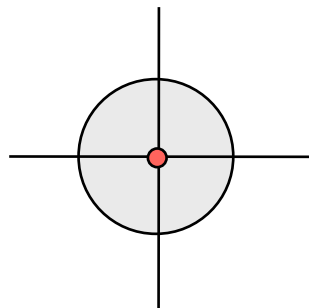
$$w(z) = \sqrt{\rho_n} \frac{z^n}{\varphi_n(z)}$$



FFT in blue envelope in purple

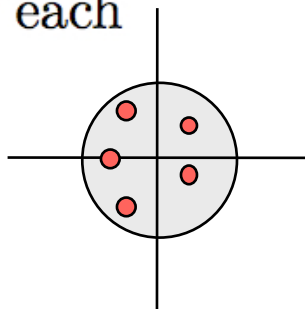
$$\sigma(z) = \sqrt{\rho_n} z^n$$

spectral zeros



Is there a solution $d\mu$ for each choice of spectral zeros?

YES (Georgiou 1983)



Unique? (Georgiou's conjecture)

Well-posed?

YES (Byrnes, Lindquist
Gusev, Matveev 1993)

All the solutions

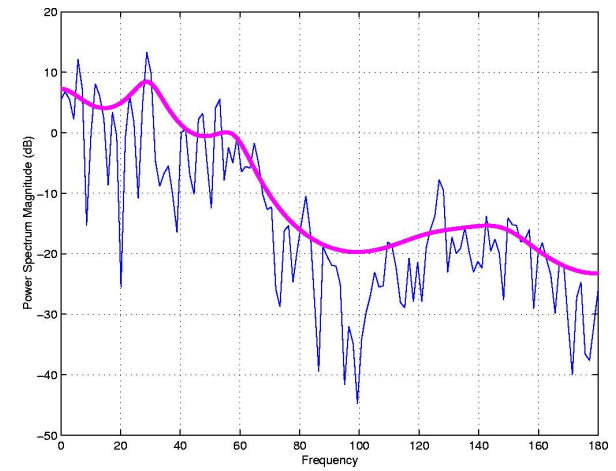
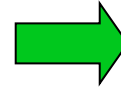
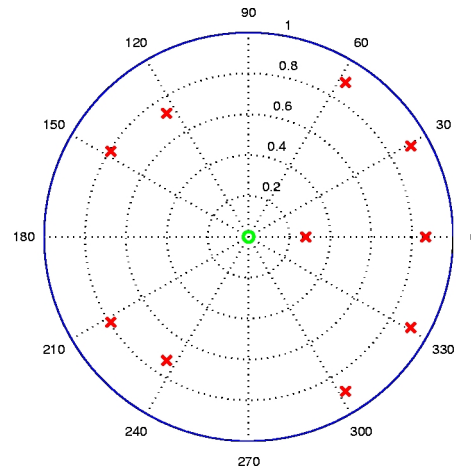
THEOREM. The solutions of the rational covariance extension problem are completely parameterized by the **zeros** of the corresponding shaping filter, i.e., given an arbitrary monic stable polynomial $\sigma(z)$ there is one and only one stable polynomial $a(z)$ such that

$$w(z) = \frac{\sigma(z)}{a(z)}$$

is a shaping filter for c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n . The correspondence is a **diffeomorphism**.

- Existence proved by **Georgiou** 1983; conjectured uniqueness
- The rest proved by **Byrnes, Lindquist, Gusev, Matveev** 1993
- These first proofs were nonconstructive, but there are now constructive proofs based on optimization

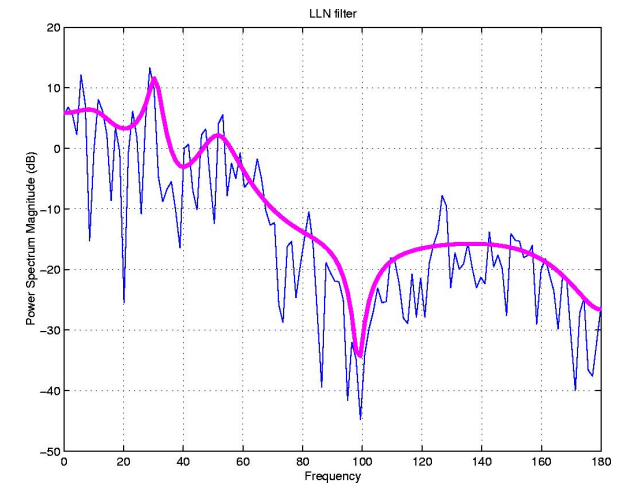
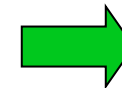
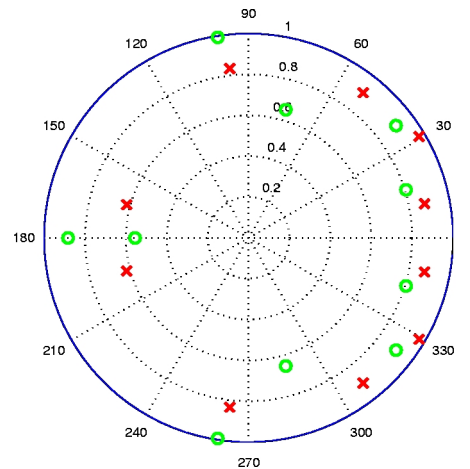
$$w(z) = \frac{\sqrt{\rho_n} z^n}{\varphi_n(e^{it})}$$



zeros/poles

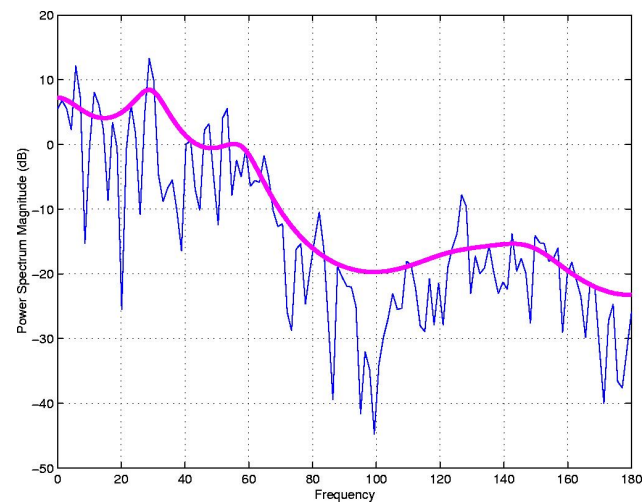
envelope

A $w(z)$ with other spectral zeros, but with the same degree

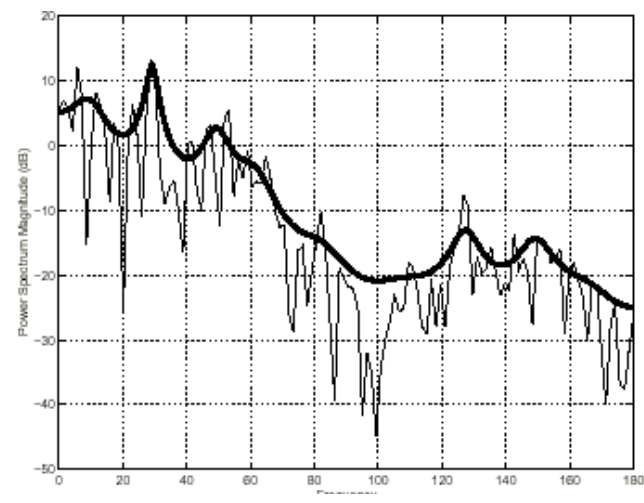


zeros/poles

envelope

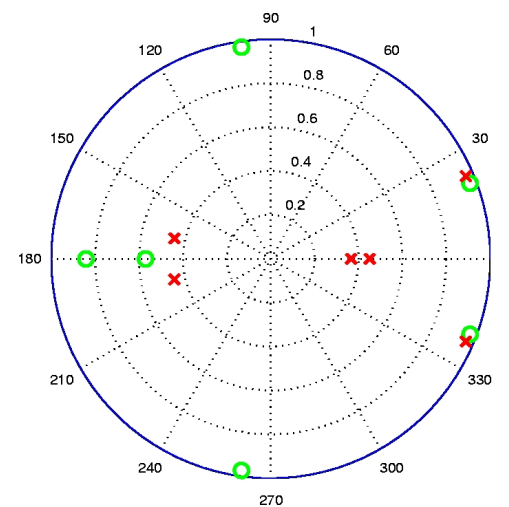
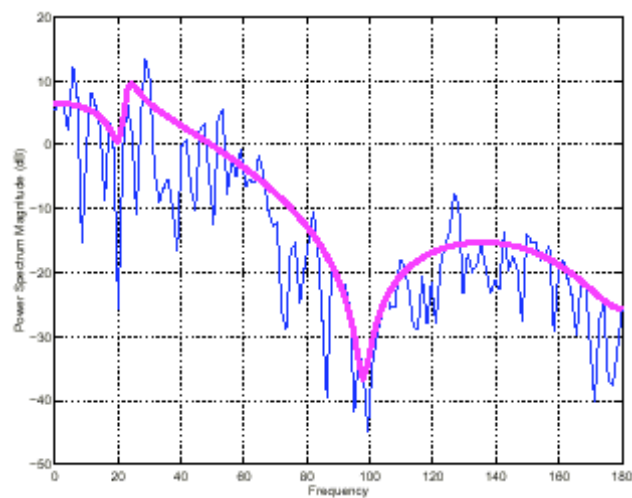


10th degree LPC



20th degree LPC

6th degree
filter with
appropriate
zeros



Optimization approach

Given $\sigma(z)$ and c , minimize

$$\mathbb{J}_\sigma(q) = c_0 q_0 + c_1 q_1 + \cdots + c_n q_n - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\sigma(e^{i\theta})|^2 \log Q(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

over all q such that

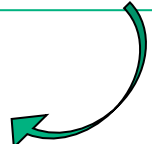
$$Q(e^{i\theta}) := q_0 + q_1 \cos \theta + \cdots + q_n \cos n\theta > 0$$

THEOREM. There is a unique minimum.

Then

$$f(z) = \frac{b(z)}{a(z)}$$

$$w(z) = \frac{\sigma(z)}{a(z)}$$

where $|a(e^{i\theta})|^2 = Q(e^{i\theta})$ 

$$a(z)b(z^{-1}) + a(z^{-1})b(z) = \sigma(z)\sigma(z^{-1})$$

Nonlinear coordinates

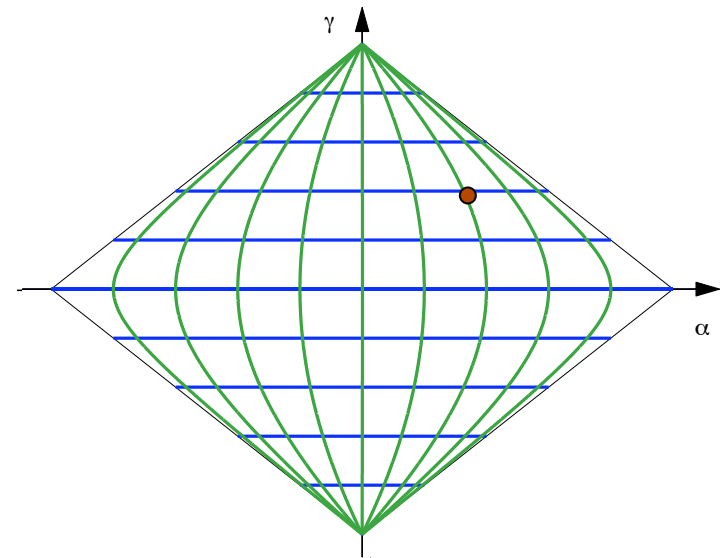
Normalize
so that $c_0 = 1$

The space of all rational Carathéodory functions f
of degree at most n is a $2n$ -dimensional manifold.

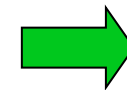
A foliation with one leaf for each
choice of σ (fast Kalman filtering)

A foliation with one leaf for each
choice of $c = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$

THEOREM. The two foliations
intersect transversely so that each
leaf in one meets each leaf in the
other in exactly one point.



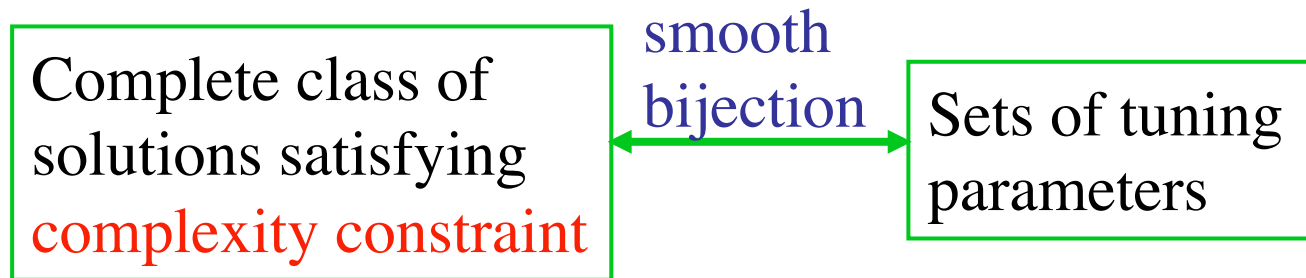
$$\min_q \mathbb{J}_\sigma(q)$$



$$\text{unique solution } \Phi = \frac{|\sigma|^2}{Q}$$

A global analysis approach

- Find **complete parameterization**



- For any choice of tuning parameters, determine the corresponding solution by **convex optimization**
- Choose a solution that best satisfies additional design specifications (without increasing the complexity)

Other applications leading to moment problem with rationality constraints

Given c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n ,
find $d\mu$ such that

$$\int_a^b \alpha_k(t) d\mu = c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

Nevanlinna-Pick interpolation

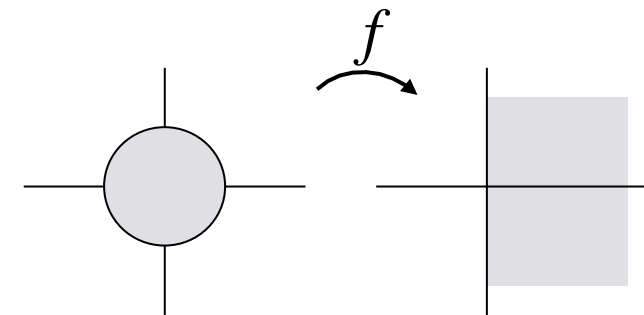
$$\alpha_k(t) = \frac{e^{it} + z_k}{e^{it} - z_k}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n \quad z_0, z_1, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{D} \text{ (distinct)}$$

Given $z_0, z_1, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{D}$ (distinct), find a Carathéodory function f such that

$$f(z_k) = c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$



$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \alpha_k(t) \operatorname{Re}\{f(e^{it})\} dt = c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$



analytic in \mathbb{D}

$\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} \geq 0$ in \mathbb{D}

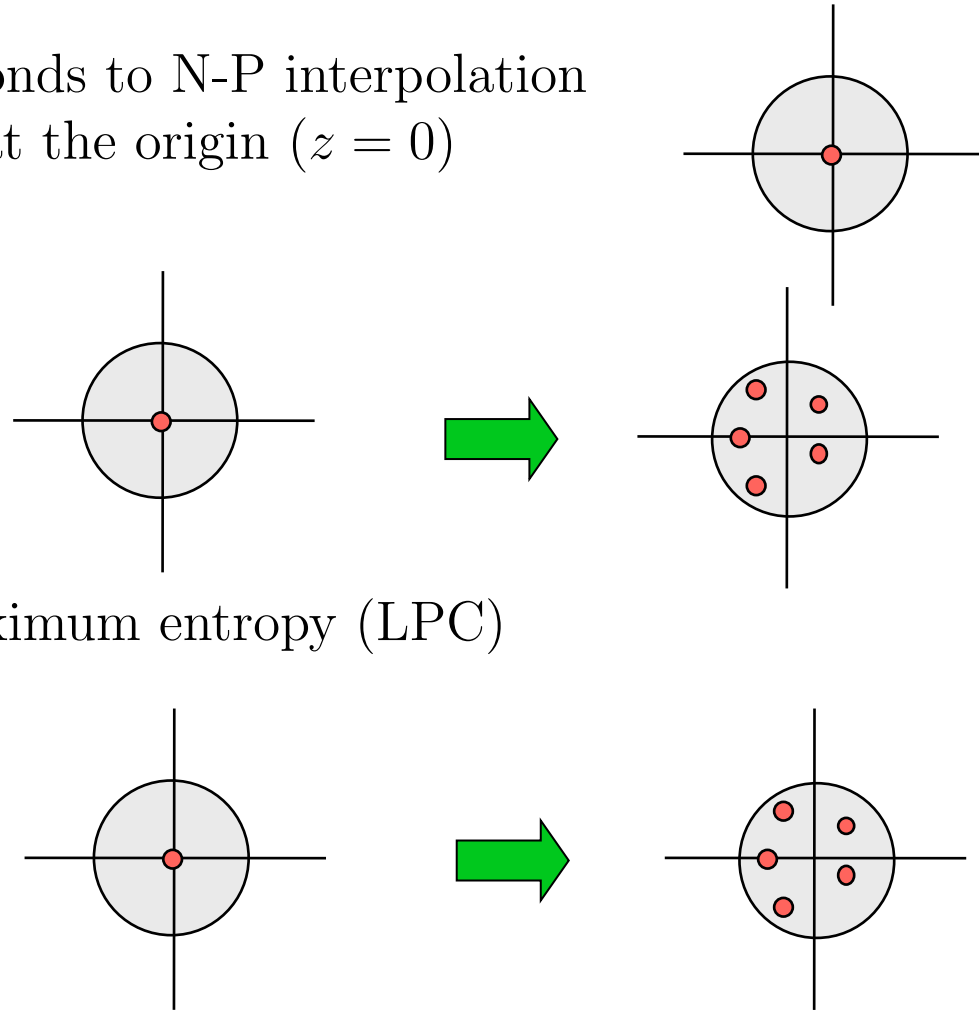
Tuning by moving interpolation points

Covariance extension corresponds to N-P interpolation with all interpolation points at the origin ($z = 0$)

We moved the **spectral zeros** from the origin closer to the unit circle

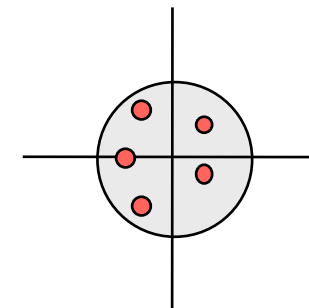
maximum entropy (LPC)

Next we tune by moving the **interpolation points** closer to the unit circle

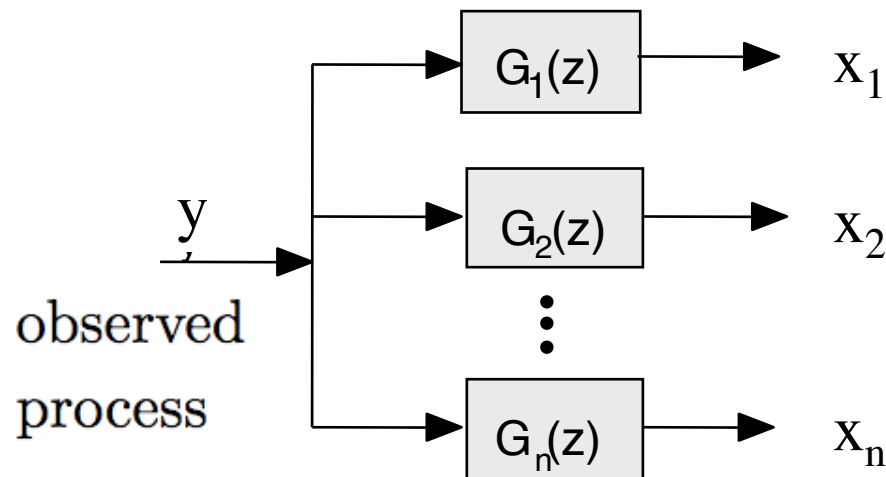


A tunable high resolution spectral estimator (THREE)

Zoom into a selected spectral band by moving interpolation points from the origin closer to the unit circle.



Byrnes-Georgiou-L



$$G_k(z) = \frac{1}{1 - \bar{z}_k z}$$



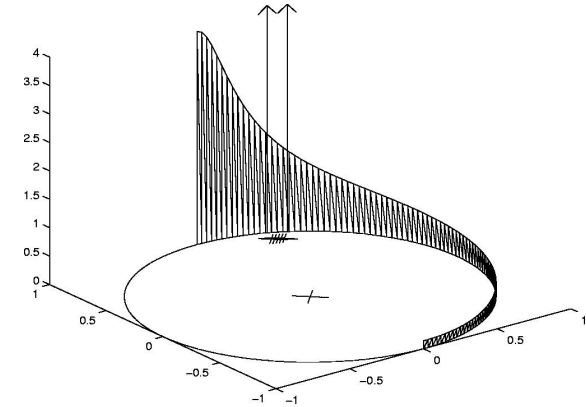
$$f(z_k) = w_k := \frac{1}{2}(1 - z_k^2)E\{x_k^2\}$$

$$E\{x(t)x(t)^T\} = \left[\frac{w_k + \bar{w}_\ell}{1 - z_k \bar{z}_\ell} \right]_{k,\ell=0}^n$$

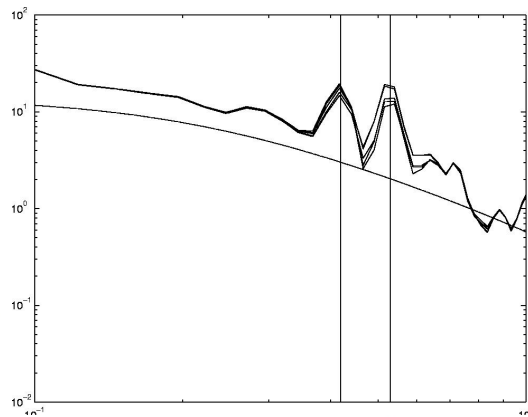
Two sets of tuning parameters:

- filter bank poles
- spectral zeros (P)

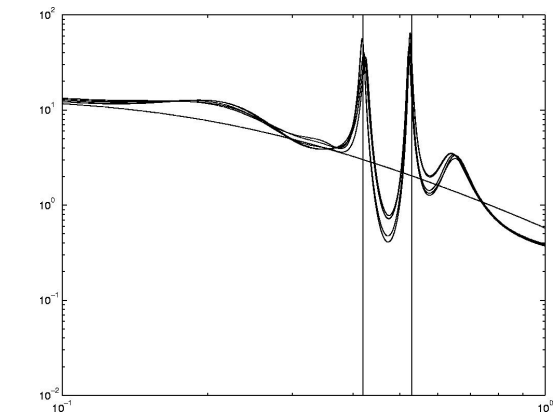
Estimation of spectral lines in colored noise



separation between
spectral lines = 0.11
five runs superimposed

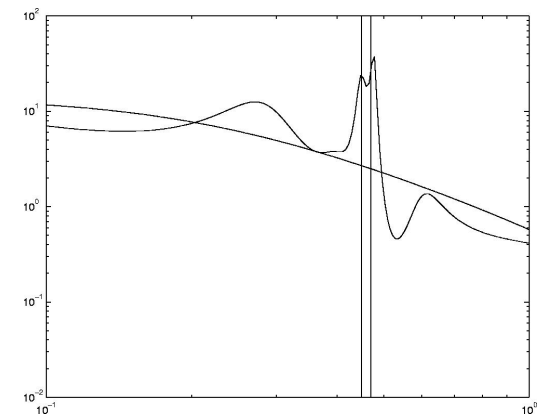
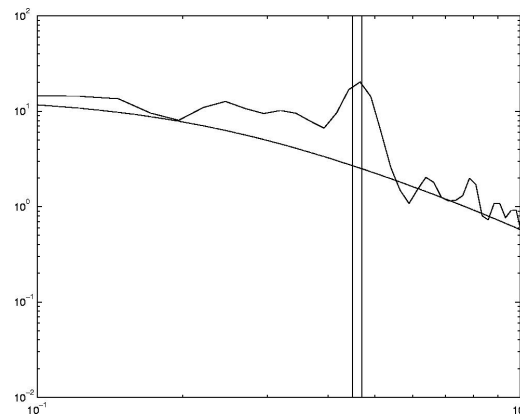


Periodogram (FFT)



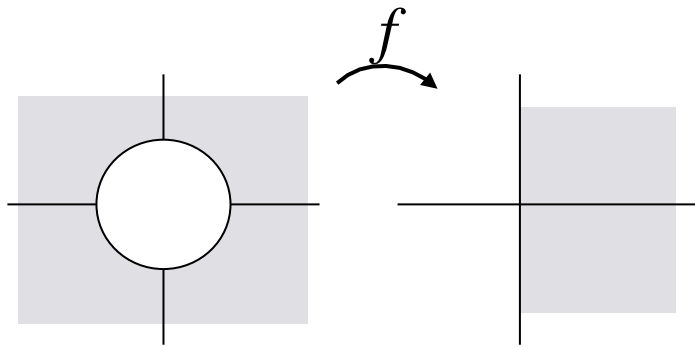
THREE (default setting)

separation between
spectral lines = 0.02



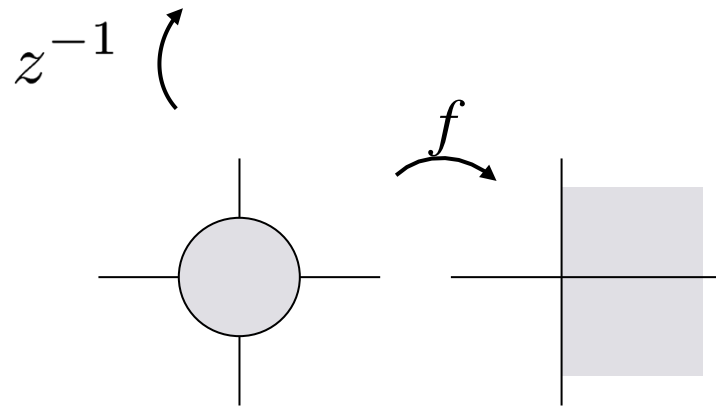
Robust control





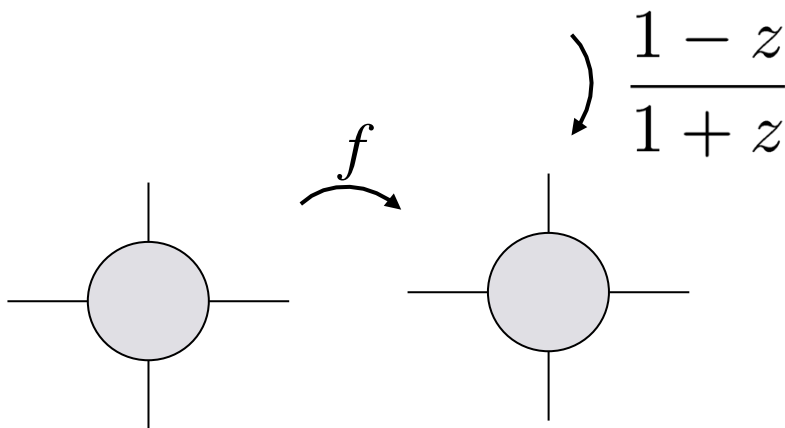
- **positive real function**

- f analytic for $|z| \geq 1$
- $\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} > 0$ for $|z| \geq 1$



- **Carathéodory function**

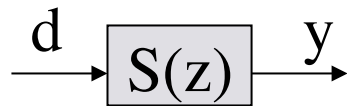
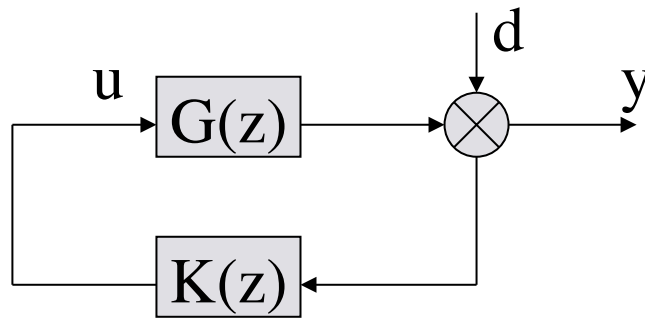
- f analytic for $|z| \leq 1$
- $\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} > 0$ for $|z| \leq 1$



- **Schur function**

- f analytic for $|z| \leq 1$
- $|f(z)| < 1$ for $|z| \leq 1$

Loop shaping in robust control



$$S = (1 - GK)^{-1}$$

Sensitivity function

- Internal stability requires

S analytic in $\mathbb{D}^c := \{z \mid |z| > 1\}$

$S(z_k) = 0$ at all unstable poles of G

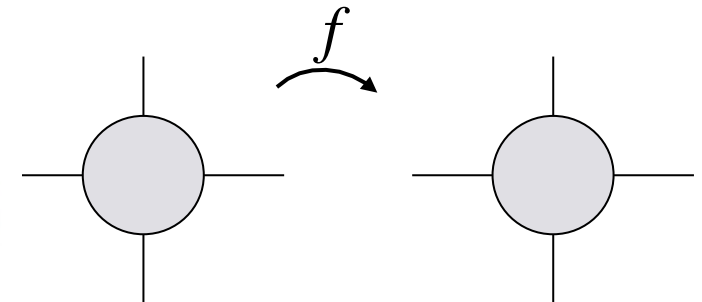
$S(z_j) = 1$ at all zeros of G in \mathbb{D}^c

- Disturbance attenuation requires

$$\|S\|_{\infty} \leq \gamma$$

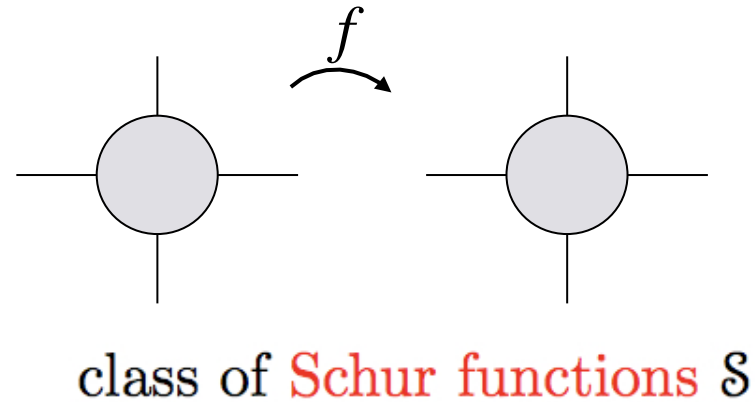
- We want $\deg S$ to be small

There is a minimum bound γ_{opt} but we choose $\gamma > \gamma_{\text{opt}}$ and define $f(z) := \frac{1}{\gamma} S(z^{-1})$



Nevanlinna-Pick interpolation for Schur functions

$$f(z_k) = w_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$



The interpolants of degree at most n are parameterized by the spectral zeros (σ) in a 1 – 1 fashion

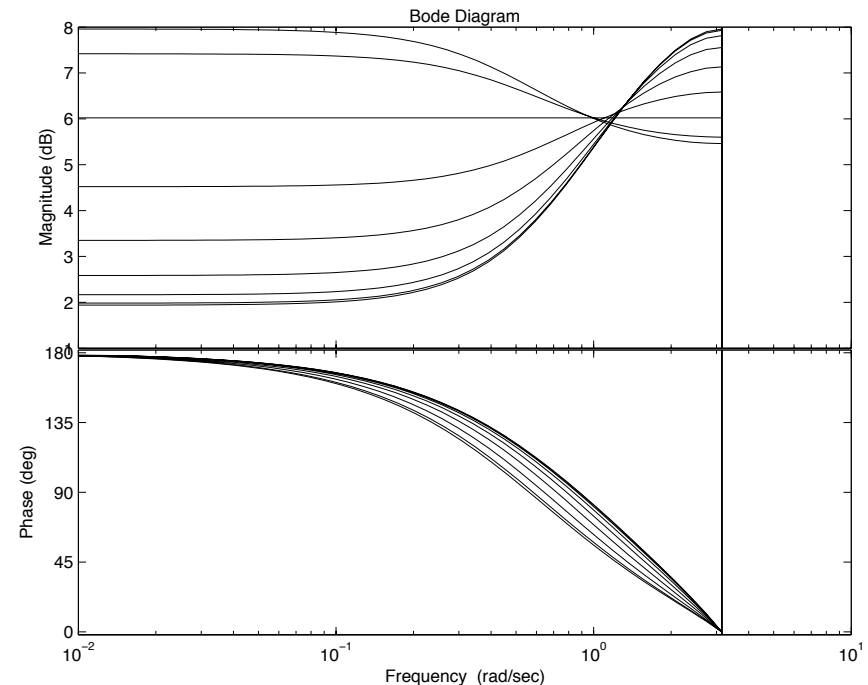
Example $G(z) = \frac{1}{z - 2}$

$$S(2) = 0, S(\infty) = 1$$

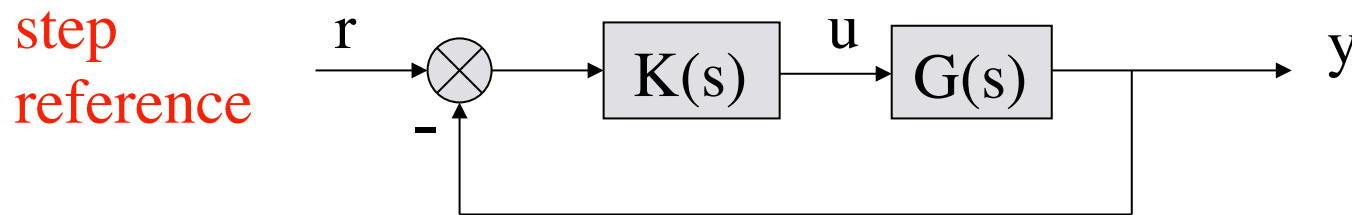
Find all S of degree at most $n = 1$.

➔ $S(z) = \frac{z - 2}{z - a}, \quad -1 < a < 1$

$$\gamma = 2.5 > \gamma_{\text{opt}} = \min \|S\|_{\infty} = 2$$



Example: Sensitivity shaping



$$G(s) = \frac{-6.4750s^2 + 4.0302s + 175.7700}{s(5s^3 + 3.5682s^2 + 139.5021s + 0.0929)}$$

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Design a strictly proper K so that the closed-loop system is

- internally stable and
- satisfies the specifications:
 - settling time at most 8 seconds
 - overshoot at most 10%
 - $|u(t)| \leq 0.5$

Try to achieve $S_{ideal} = \frac{s(s + 1.2)}{s^2 + 1.2s + 1}$ (DFT)

Internal stability requires $\deg S \leq 4$

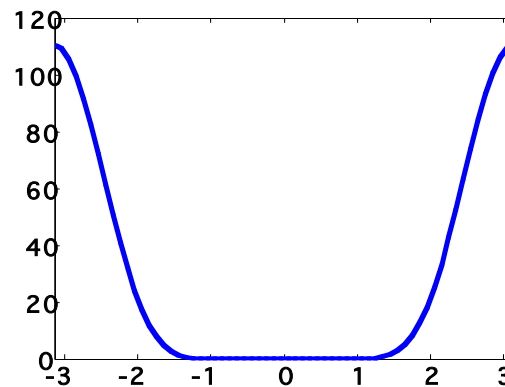
$S(0) = S'(\infty) = 0$ (unstable plant poles)

$S(\infty) = S(5.5308) = 1$ (nonminimum-phase plant zeros)

$S''(\infty) = 0$ (strictly proper controller)

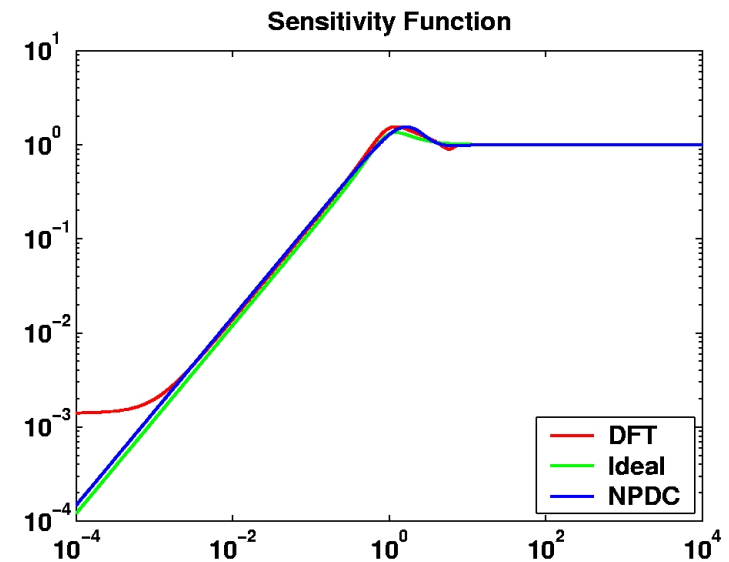
Choose:

$|\sigma|^2 \rightarrow$

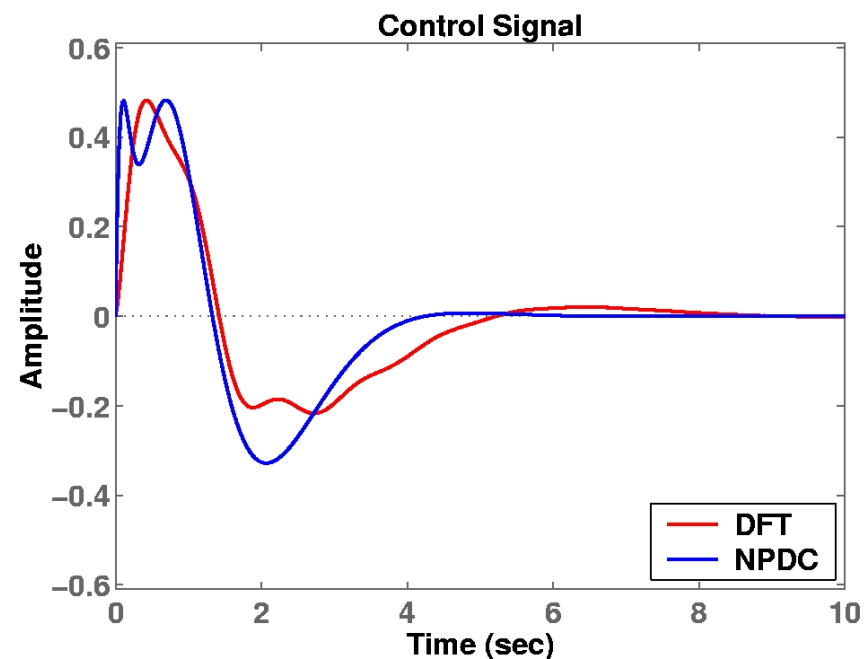
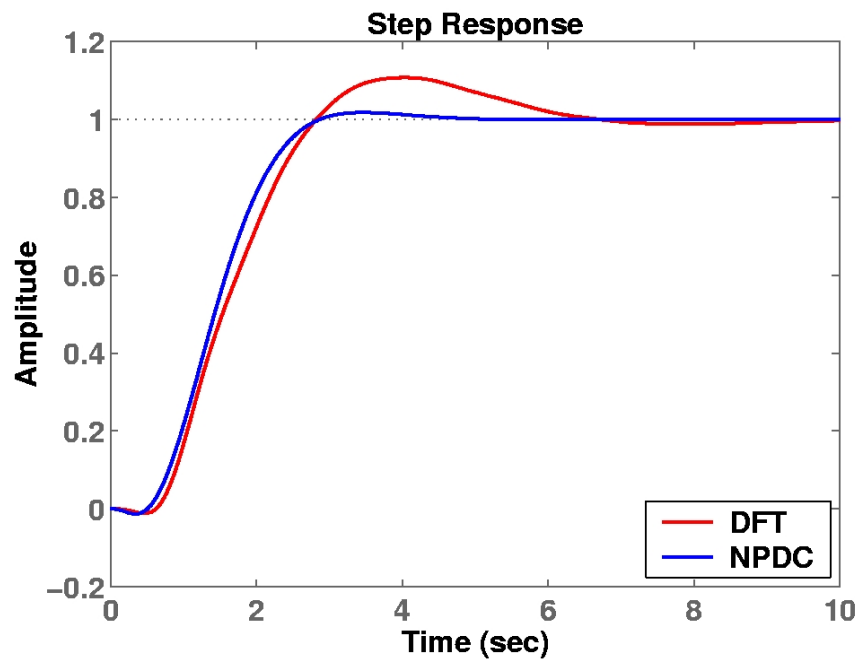


DFT: $\deg K = 8$

NPDC: $\deg K = 4$



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Multidimensional moment problems

$$\int_K \alpha_k d\mu = c_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

- $d\mu$ nonnegative measure on a compact subset K of \mathbb{R}^d
- $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ linearly independent basis functions defined on K

Image compression



Model reduction

Original system:

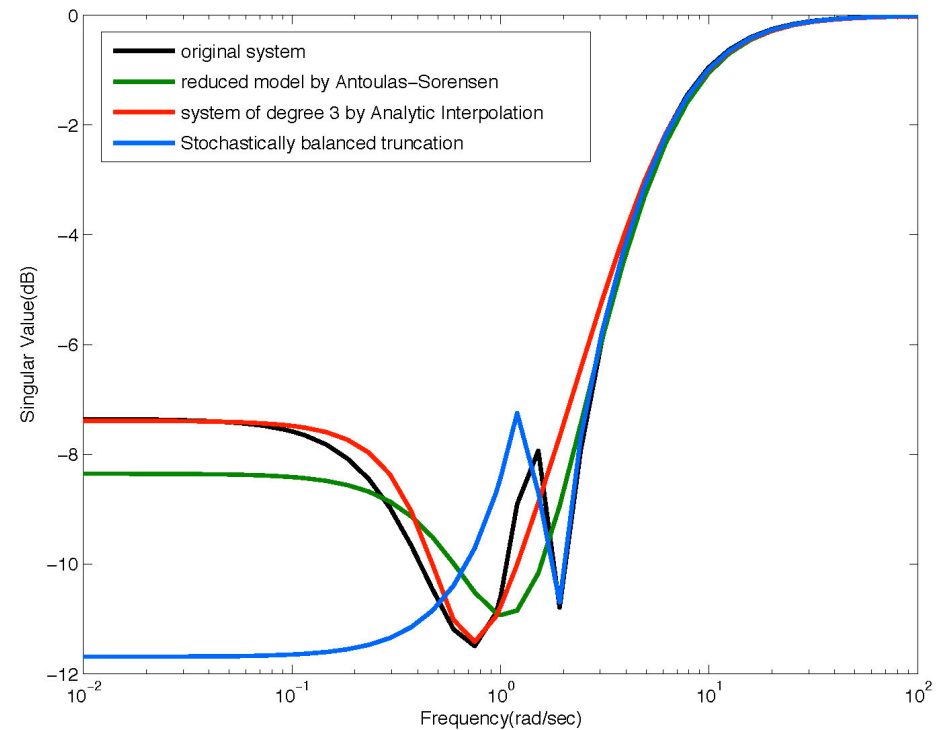
$$G(s) = \frac{s^5 + 3s^4 + 6s^3 + 9s^2 + 7s + 3}{s^5 + 7s^4 + 14s^3 + 21s^2 + 23s + 7}$$

Antoulas-Sorensen:

$$\hat{G}(s) = \frac{s^3 + 2.553s^2 + 2.906s + 1.173}{s^3 + 6.681s^2 + 8.459s + 3.07}$$

Global-analysis approach:

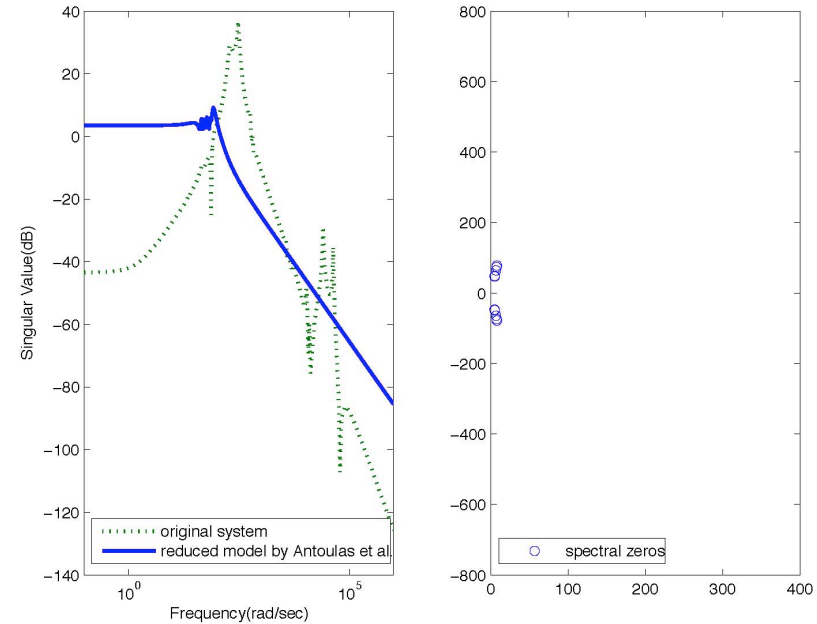
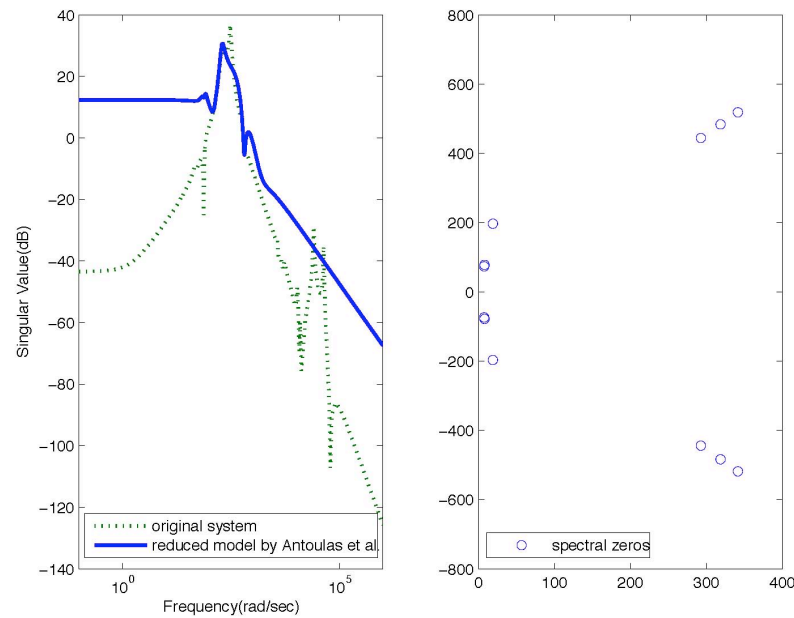
$$f(s) = \frac{1.002s^3 + 2.84s^2 + 1.927s + 0.8978}{s^3 + 7.298s^2 + 6.084s + 2.099}$$



A large-scale problem: A CD player

Model reduction: $\deg G = 120 \longrightarrow \deg \hat{G} = 12$

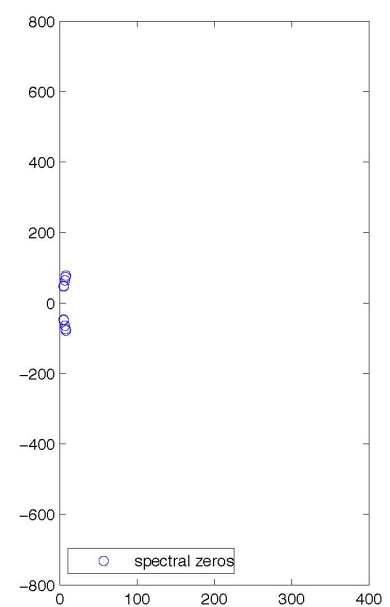
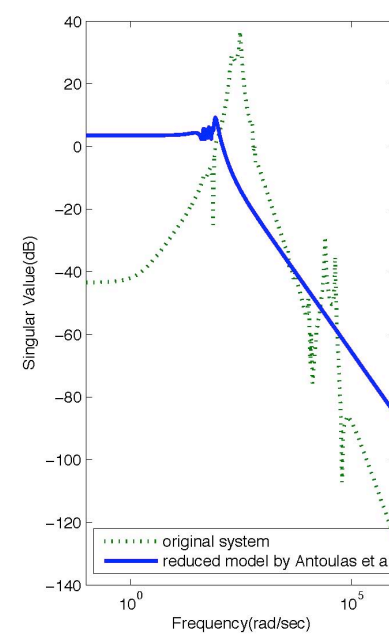
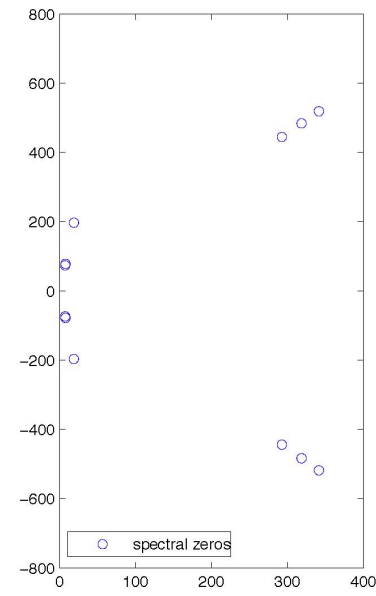
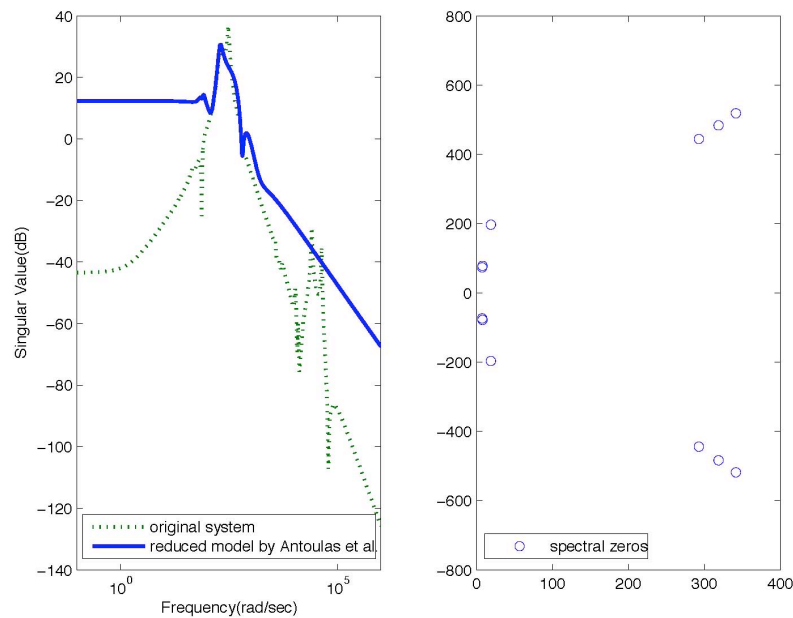
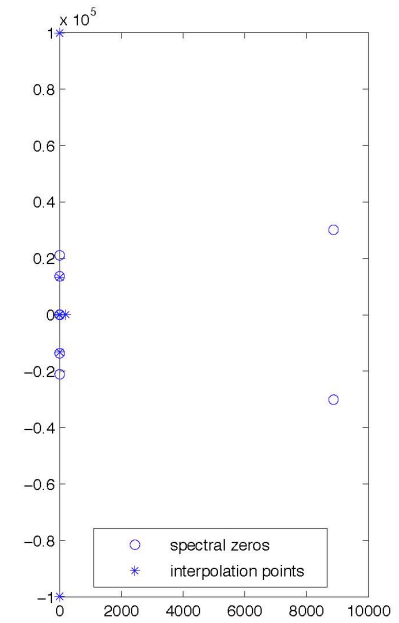
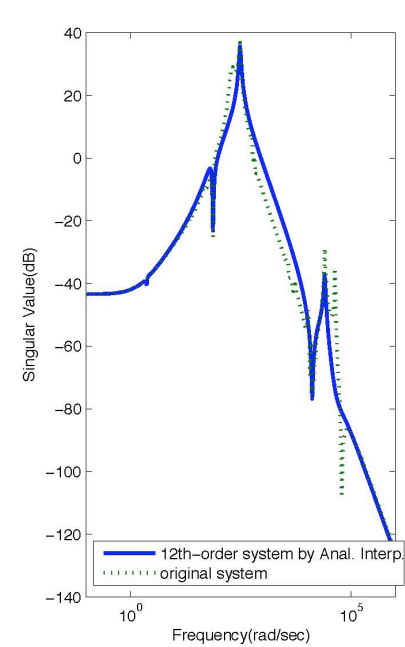
Antoulas-Sorensen solutions:



Global-analysis
solution



Antoulas-Sorensen
solutions



Conclusions

An enhanced theory for generalized moment problems that incorporates **rationality constraints** prescribed by applications.

- Complete parameterizations of solutions with **smooth tuning** strategies.
- A **global analysis approach** that studies the class of solutions as a whole.
- **Convex optimization** for determining solutions.