

Balanced Model Reduction

CEE 629. System Identification

Duke University, Fall 2017

1 Balanced Realization

A balanced realization is a realization for which the controllability gramian Q and the observability gramian P both equal a diagonal matrix of the Hankel singular values, Σ . In other words, the state covariance matrix of pulse or white-noise responses equals the output covariance matrix of free output responses, and they are both diagonal matrices.

To transform a realization into a balanced form, we require the $n \times n$ coordinate transformation matrix T from balanced coordinates x_b to the given coordinates x ($x = Tx_b$) such that the observability and controllability gramians are diagonal and equal.

Substituting $TA_bT^{-1} = A$, $T^{-T}A_b^T T^T = A^T$, $C_bT^{-1} = C$, and $TB_b = B$ into Lyapunov equations,

$$0 = A^T P A - P + C^T C \quad \text{and} \quad 0 = A Q A^T - Q + B B^T, \quad (1)$$

and relating the resulting Lyapunov equations to

$$0 = A_b^T \Sigma A_b - \Sigma + C_b^T C_b \quad \text{and} \quad 0 = A_b \Sigma A_b^T - \Sigma + B_b B_b^T, \quad (2)$$

we find that the condition for the coordinate transformation into balanced form is

$$T^T P T = T^{-1} Q T^{-T} = \Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n), \quad \sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n > 0. \quad (3)$$

A sketch of the solution of equation (3) for T follows.

$$\begin{aligned} (T^T P T)(T^{-1} Q T^{-T}) &= \Sigma^2 \\ T^T P (T T^{-1}) Q T^{-T} &= \Sigma^2 \\ T^T P Q T^{-T} &= \Sigma^2 \\ R^T R &= Q \dots \text{the Cholesky decomp of } Q \\ T^T (R^{-1} R) P (R^T R) T^{-T} &= \Sigma^2 \\ T^T R^{-1} (R P R^T) R T^{-T} &= \Sigma^2 \\ (R T^{-T})^{-1} (R P R^T) (R T^{-T}) &= \Sigma^2 \\ R P R^T &= U \Sigma^2 U^T \dots \text{the eigenvalue decomp of } R P R^T \\ (R T^{-T})^{-1} (U \Sigma^2 U^T) (R T^{-T}) &= \Sigma^2 \\ V \Sigma^2 V^{-1} &= \Sigma^2 \dots \text{define } V \\ V &= (R T^{-T})^{-1} U \dots \text{define } V \\ V &= T^T R^{-1} U \\ V^{-1} &= U^T R T^{-T} \\ V U^T &= T^T R^{-1} \dots \text{solve for } T \text{ in terms of } V \\ V U^T R &= T^T \\ R^T U V &= T \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

To determine V ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 T^{-1}QT^T &= \Sigma \\
 (V^{-1}U^TR^{-T})Q(R^{-1}UV^{-1}) &= \Sigma \dots \text{substitutue } T \text{ in terms of } V \\
 V^{-1}U^TR^{-T}R^TRR^{-1}UV^{-1} &= \Sigma \dots \text{substitute } R^TR = Q \\
 V^{-1}U^T(R^{-T}R^T)(RR^{-1})UV^{-1} &= \Sigma \\
 V^{-1}(U^TU)V^{-1} &= \Sigma \\
 V^{-1}V^{-1} &= \Sigma \\
 V^{-2} &= \Sigma \\
 V &= \Sigma^{-1/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$T = R^T U \Sigma^{-1/2} \quad (5)$$

$$T^{-1} = \Sigma^{1/2} U^T R^{-T} \quad (6)$$

To compute this coordinate transformation matrix,

1. Solve the Lyapunov equations for the controllability gramian Q and the observability gramian P .
2. Compute the Cholesky decomposition of Q , $R^T R = Q$.
3. Compute the eigenvalue decomposition of $RPR^T = U\Sigma U^T$. This gives the Hankel singular values, Σ .
4. Evaluate equations (5) and (6)

In a balanced model the first state x_1 is the most observable and the most controllable. The last state x_n is the least so. The reduced balanced realization simply retains the first r states.

$$A_r = A_b(1:r, 1:r); \quad B_r = B_b(1:r, :); \quad C_r = C_b(:, 1:r).$$

2 Example system in complex modal coordinates

linear dynamics: $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$

system output: $y = Cx$

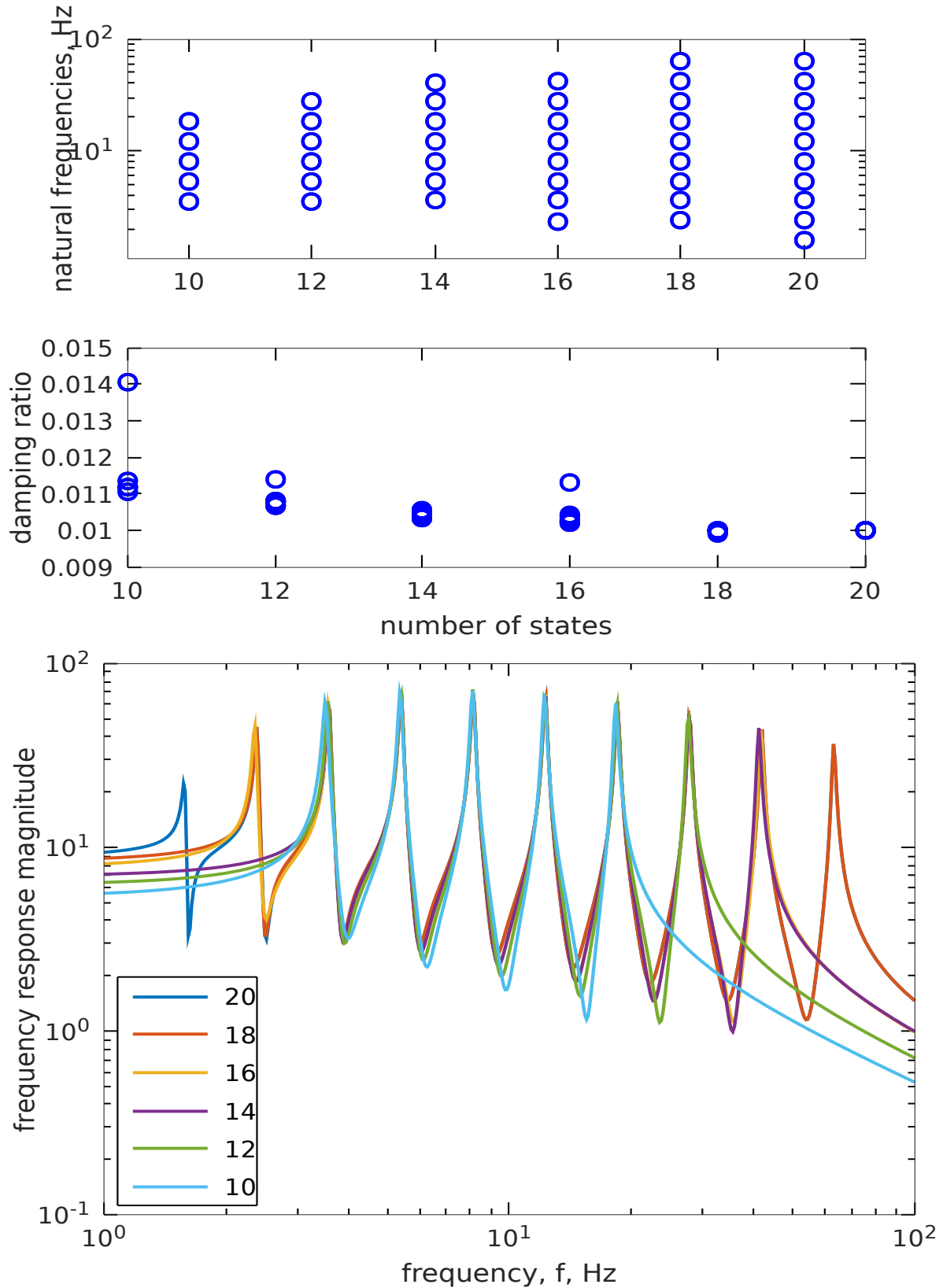
parameter values: $A = \text{diag} \left(\begin{bmatrix} p_i & & \\ & p_i^* & \\ & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \quad p_i = \sigma_i + \sqrt{-1}\omega_i$

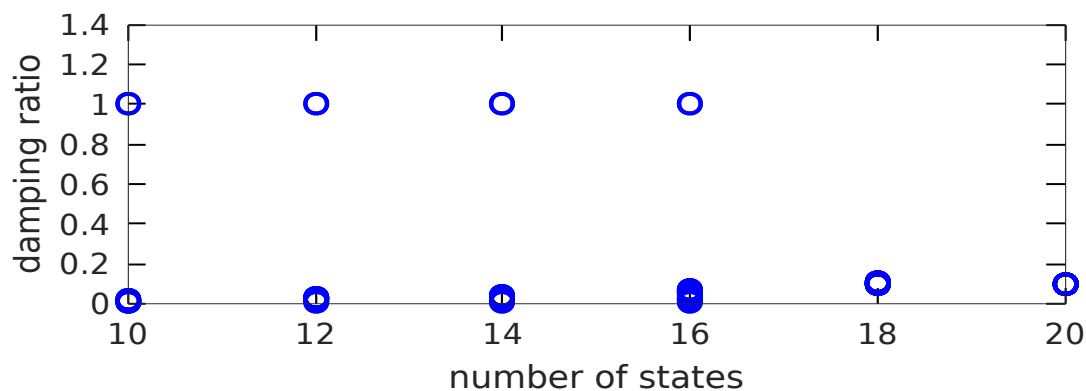
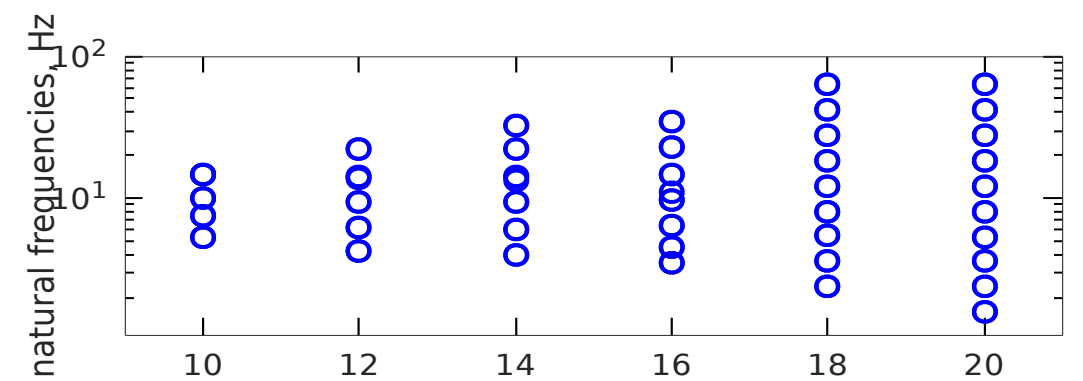
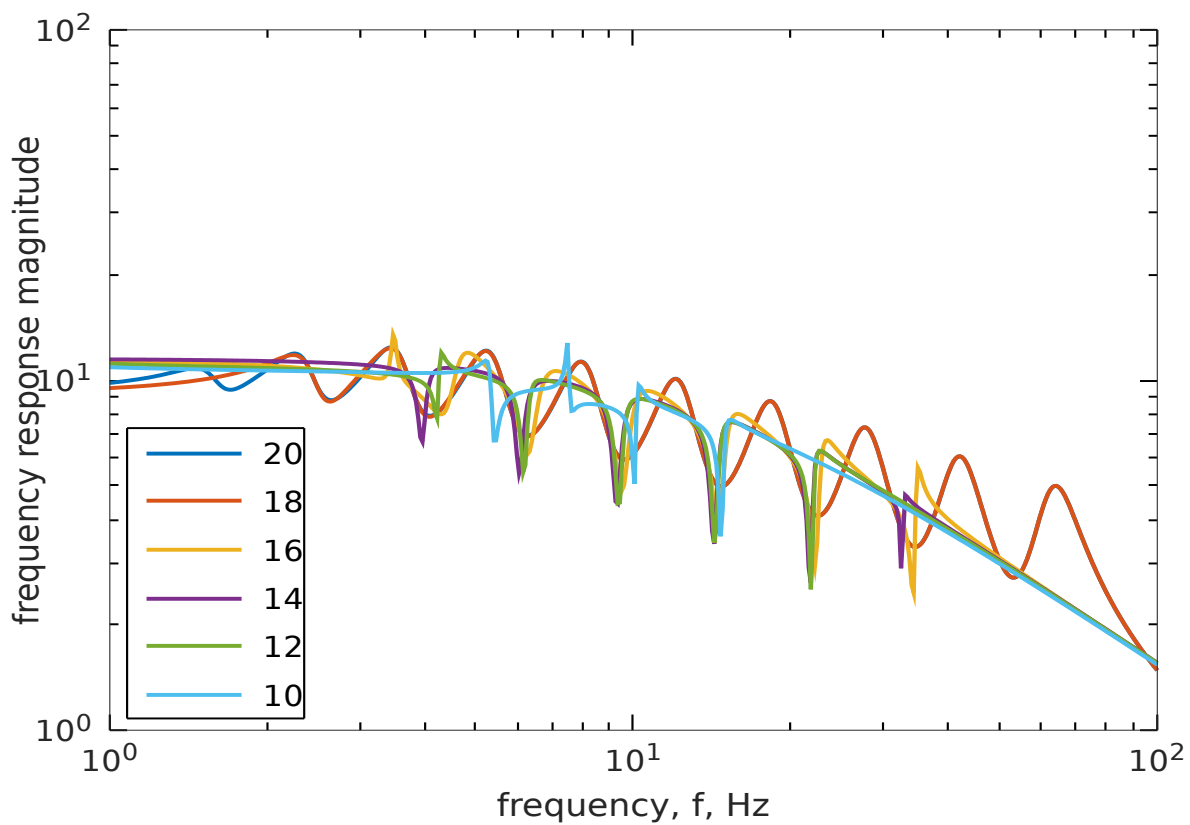
$$B = \begin{bmatrix} - & b_i & - \\ - & b_i^* & - \\ & \vdots & \end{bmatrix} \quad B \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m} \quad b_i = i + i\sqrt{-1}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} \cdots & | & | & \cdots \\ \cdots & c_j & c_j^* & \cdots \\ & | & | & \end{bmatrix} \quad C \in \mathbb{C}^{l \times n} \quad c_j = 1 + j\sqrt{-1}$$

$$D = 0 \quad D \in \mathbb{C}^{l \times m}$$

2.1 Lightly Damped Dynamics $\sigma_i = \omega_i/100$



2.2 Heavily Damped Dynamics $\sigma_i = \omega_i/10$ 

bal_real.m

```

1 function [ Ab, Bb, Cb, G, T, Ti ] = bal_real( A, B, C )
2 % [ Ab, Bb, Cb, G, T, Ti ] = bal_real( A, B, C )
3 % balanced realization for a continuous time system
4 %
5 %   input      A,B,C      a continuous-time state-space realization
6 %
7 %   output     Ab,Bb,Cb   the balanced continuous-time state-space realization
8 %               G         the balanced observability and controllability gramians
9 %               T         coordinate transformation matrix
10 %              Ti        inverse of coordinate transformation matrix
11
12 P = liap ( A , C ); % solve left Liapunov eq'n   A'*P + P*A + C'*C = 0
13 Q = liap ( A , B ); % solve right Liapunov eq'n  A *Q + Q*A' + B *B' = 0
14 R = chol(Q);      % right Cholesky factor of Q ... R'*R = Q
15
16 [U,G2] = eig(R*P*R'); % diagonalization of R*P*R'
17
18 % the balanced observability and controllability gramian
19 G = sqrt(real(diag(G2)));
20
21 % the coordinate transformation matrix ...
22 T = R'*U * diag(1./sqrt(G));
23
24 % the inverse of the coordinate transformation matrix ...
25 Ti = diag(sqrt(G)) * U' * inv(R');
26
27 % sorted grammian ...
28 [G,idx] = sort(G,'descend');
29
30 % determine the state re-sorting matrix, S   X_sorted = S * X
31 n = length(A);
32 S = zeros(n);
33 for i=1:n
34     S(i,idx(i)) = 1;
35 end
36 Ti = S*Ti;    T = T/S;      % reorganize the transformation matrices
37
38 Ab = Ti*A*T;      % balanced dynamics matrix
39 Bb = Ti*B;        % balanced input matrix
40 Cb = C*T;         % balanced output matrix
41
42 % ----- H.P. Gavin 2013-10-18

```

balreal_test.m

```

1  % balreal_test.m — test balanced model reduction
2
3  % Specify an LTI system in modal coordinates
4  r = 1;           % number of inputs
5  m = 1;           % number of outputs
6  n = 20;          % number of internal states (even) ... complex-conjugate poles
7
8  % generate a random LTI system with under-damped dynamics in diagonalized form
9
10 z = 0.1;         % Heavily Damped
11 z = 0.01;        % Lightly Damped
12
13 wn = 2*pi*logspace(0.2,1.8,10);
14
15 [A,B,C,D] = modalLTI(wn,z,m,r,'unif');
16
17 damp(A)          % check the nat'l frequencies and damping ratios
18
19 [Ab,Bb,Cb, G, T, Ti] = bal_real ( A, B, C );
20
21 w = 2*pi*logspace(0,2,500);
22 nw = length(w);
23 mag = zeros(nw,n/4);
24 pha = zeros(nw,n/4);
25
26 eig_vals = NaN(n,n/4+1);
27 for iter = 1:n/4+1
28
29     r = n-2*iter+2;           % remaining number of states
30
31     Ar = Ab(1:r,1:r);        Br = Bb(1:r,:);        Cr = Cb(:,1:r);
32
33     eig_vals(1:r,iter) = eig(Ar);
34
35     [mag(:,iter),pha(:,iter)] = mybode(Ar,Br,Cr,D,1,w);
36
37 end
38
39 % ----- Plots
40
41 figure(1)
42 clf
43 loglog(w/2/pi, mag)
44 legend('20','18','16','14','12','10',3);
45 legend('location','southwest')
46 xlabel('frequency, f, Hz')
47 ylabel('frequency response magnitude')
48
49 figure(2)
50 clf
51 subplot(211)
52 semilogy(n-[0:2:n/2], abs(eig_vals)/2/pi, 'ob','MarkerSize',5);
53 axis([ n/2-1 n+1 1.1 1e2])
54 ylabel('natural frequencies, Hz')
55 subplot(212)
56 plot(n-[0:2:n/2], -real(eig_vals)./abs(eig_vals+eps), 'ob','MarkerSize',5);
57 % axis([ n/2-1 n+1 0 1.2*max(max(-real(eig_vals)./abs(eig_vals+eps))) ])
58 xlabel('number of states')
59 ylabel('damping ratio')
60
61 % ----- balreal_test

```