

Time series modelling and analysis

In class activities

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Activities

1. Estimating Transfer Function Models for a Heat Exchanger

In this example we estimate the transfer function for a heat exchanger. The heat exchanger consists of a coolant temperature, product temperature, and disturbance ambient temperature. We will estimate the coolant to product temperature transfer function.

The measured data is stored in an excel file [heat_exchanger.xlsx](#) and includes measurements of changes in coolant temperature around a nominal and changes in product temperature around a nominal. Estimate a transfer function for the heat exchanger.

1. From the physics of the problem we know that the heat exchanger can be described by a first order system with delay. Use the `tfest` command specifying one pole, no zeroes, and an unknown input/output delay to estimate a transfer function.
2. The `compare` and `resid` commands allow us to investigate how well the estimated model matches the measured data.

Detailed instructions are given [here](#).

2. AR model: Australia COVID-19 Infection

The cumulative daily data for COVID-19 infections is given in [Australia_covid_cases.xlsx](#). Fit an autoregression model to the data.

3. For the transfer function below, develop an ARX model for the above system, with 1 unit step change in input and sampling time $T_s = 1$ unit.

$$G_p = \frac{2\exp(-s)}{(10s + 1)} \quad (1)$$

4. **Iron ore prices:** The price history for iron ore spot prices is given in [iron_ore.xlsx](#).

Use the following Matlab functions

1. `arma(p,d,q)` => to build ARIMA model
2. `estimate(Mdl,X)` => to estimate the ARMA model parameters
3. `simulate(EstMdl,t)` => to simulate the ARMA model

4. `plot(tx,X,tx,y)` => to compare the data and model estimation
5. Follow the [Building and Estimating Process Models Using System Identification Toolbox](#) example from Matlab documentation.