

Descriptive data

Project info

Project title (Swedish)*

Identifiering av olinjära blockmodeller

Project title (English)*

Identification of nonlinear block-models

Abstract (English)*

This proposal concerns the situation where a block based nonlinear models are to be identified, and there is more than one block containing linear dynamics, such as the Wiener-Hammerstein model. Then, the problem is to obtain a good initial parameter estimate using a preliminary linear model of the system describing the entire dynamics. More specific, the project concerns how the poles and zeros of the preliminary model should be divided between the linear blocks. This will be done by describing the division between the blocks with continuous parameters which can be identified using data.

By describing the division of the poles and zeros with continuous parameters gives fractional poles and zeros. This is handled by Taylor expanding the estimates so that they become FIR models. In fact, the whole Wiener-Hammerstein model can be described as a linear regression problem and this is very tractable due to the nice properties of LS problems. There are however, many unclear issues which need to be investigated. Among other things can the LS problem become very large, so large that it becomes a problem even for LS problems. Except that, there are user parameters which need to be investigated how they should be set. Statistical properties are also of interest and will be investigated.

Popular scientific description (Swedish)*

Matematiska modeller används i stort sett överallt och detta projekt handlar om teknik för att ta fram sådana modeller utifrån mätta data. Tex används matematiska modeller i de flesta maskiner där något rör på sig. Genom att ha en modell för det som ska förflyttas så kan datom som styr maskinen lägga på rätt spänningsnivå så att rörelsen blir som avsett. En mer exakt modell ger då också en mer exakt rörelse. I många fall där något ska styras så ändras egenskaperna, tex med förlitning, eller beroende på temperatur. Då kan det vara intressant att kunna förbättra styrningen genom att anpassa modellen till förändringarna. Beroende på vad det handlar om för maskin så kan sådan funktionalitet ge stora energibesparingar, eller göra en process mer miljövänlig, eller så kan man tillverka med högre kvalitet.

Det här projektet handlar om att utveckla ny algoritmer för att skatta olinjära modeller med hjälp av data från den process, eller maskin, som man är intresserad av. Mer specifikt så handlar det om modeller där dynamiken är linjär men uppdelad på olika ställen med olinjära element där emellan. Utgångspunkten är att man har en rätt bra linjär modell som beskriver den totala dynamiken, och projektet handlar om att ta fram metoder hur den linjära dynamiken ska delas upp till de olika delarna i den olinjära modellen. Om man kan göra detta bra så är det sedan oftast inget större problem att skatta de olinjära delarna. Angreppssättet är att man ska initialt sätta all dynamik på båda ställena och sedan skattar man med hjälp av data i vilket av blocken som dynamiken passar bäst enligt de mätdata man har från processen.

Project period

Number of project years*

4

Calculated project time*

2016-01-01 - 2019-12-31

Classifications

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Keyword 1*

Wiener-Hammerstein

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System identification

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Block-oriented models

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Research plan

Ethical considerations

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Reporting of ethical considerations*

Inga etiska aspekter i projektet.

The project includes handling of personal data

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The project includes animal experiments

No

Account of experiments on humans

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Research plan

Identification of nonlinear block models

Models are used almost everywhere, and during the last decades, a significant part of the research progress has been made on model based methods, eg, in both signal processing and control design theory. Typically, these methods give optimal performance, according to some definition, assuming that the system considered is accurately described by a mathematical model. Hence, the model quality is essential for these types of algorithms, and methods to obtain reliable high quality models is therefore of high importance.

This project proposal concerns investigation and development of new algorithms for nonlinear system identification, eg, algorithms for estimating nonlinear models using measured data from the process to be modeled. The focus is on a specific class of models which can be described with blocks containing either linear dynamics or static nonlinearities.

1 Purpose and aims

The purpose with the project is to develop

- algorithms for identification of block oriented models,
- especially the initialization of the linear blocks is concerned and how a linear model containing all the dynamics can be divided so that each linear block receives the correct poles and zeros,
- and to investigate the properties of the algorithms and the models estimated thereof.

The starting point is a linear model (BLA - Best Linear Approximation), and to obtain a good initialization of the nonlinear block model, the poles and zeros must be divided between the linear blocks (assuming that they are more than one). The proposal describes an approach where the division of the poles and zeros is relaxed and described by real parameters which then are identified using data from the system.

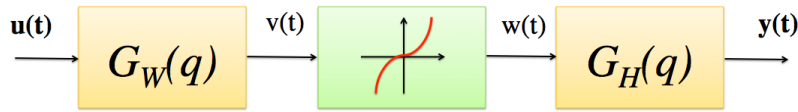


Figure 1: A Wiener-Hammerstein model structure.

The aim is to obtain better, faster and more reliable estimation algorithms for the targeted model structures.

2 Survey of the field

We are considering models built up by combining blocks which are either linear dynamic or static nonlinear. By constraining the dynamics to be linear one can use part of the linear system theory which makes analysis of the model properties become easier. The simplest block-oriented models are the Hammerstein model and the Wiener model where the Hammerstein model consists of a static nonlinearity followed by a linear dynamic block. The Wiener model has the two blocks in the reversed order. These models can be generalized into Hammerstein-Wiener models, which has two static nonlinear blocks with a linear dynamic block in between, and Wiener-Hammerstein models with two linear blocks with a static nonlinear block in the middle, see Figure 1.

General in system identification, the prediction error estimate gives an asymptotic efficient estimator when the number of estimation data goes to infinity, see, eg, [9, 14]. However, in most cases, except when the model can be expressed as linear regression, the computation of the estimate requires an iterative search of the minimum of the cost function. The cost function can have multiple minima and it is a main challenge in system identification research to invent algorithms which can guarantee, or at least increase the chances that the estimate converges to the global minimum. Hence, while applying the iterative minimization is straight forward, each type of model structure needs a good initialization algorithm from which the iterative minimization starts. This is further described in [J-Sj-8].

The Wiener-Hammerstein model is one example of a more general nonlinear class of block-oriented models and many approaches for estimating such models have been published. Early results can be found in [2] and [4]. The first one of these also contains many references to pioneer works. A stochastic embedding of the estimation problem is given in [5] and the Maximum Likelihood estimate is formulated. Recursive estimation of MIMO Wiener-Hammerstein models is

investigated in [3]. In these publications no hints are given for the initialization. In [6] an iterative initialization procedure is proposed which requires specially designed periodic excited input signals. This experimental requirement is relaxed in [11]. Techniques where the need of initial values is avoided by restricting the allowed model complexity are given in [1, 15, 16]. In [8] an approach is presented which applies for the case that the linear sub-models can be described as FIR models. Here we are aiming at less restrictive initialization algorithms which can be applied using data without special restrictions, and with fairly general assumptions on the linear blocks and the nonlinearity.

A key problem in identifying Wiener-Hammerstein models is the initial estimates of the two linear blocks. Not only the degree of the two sub-systems need to be determined, also values of the parameters describing the poles and zeros need good initial values so that the parameter estimation algorithm has a good chance to end up in a good local minimum. This is illustrated in [18] where the prediction error method is applied starting at random, stable, initializations of the two sub-systems. Depending on the start value the estimate converges toward one of many local minima.

There is, however, no reason to start with random positions of the poles and the zeros in the two linear blocks. In [10] it is shown that linear system identification applied to data from a Wiener-Hammerstein system, then, when the number of data goes to infinity, the obtained model equals a scaled version of the combined linear dynamics. Using this insight, and linear system identification tools to obtain the BLA, it remains to divide the poles and the zeros between the two linear blocks to obtain a good initialization. Several suggested initialization algorithms are based on this insight.

At this point, we can conclude the system identification problem to be a mixed integer problem: To decide the division of the poles and the zeros (integer decision) and to identify the nonlinearity between the linear blocks (continuous minimization problem).

The simplest approach to this mixed integer problem is to try all possible divisions of the poles and the zeros. In this way, a large set of possible initializations of the linear blocks are obtained. For each one of them, the nonlinearity is identified and the performance can be compared to select the best initialization. This approach was presented in [J-Sj-8] and although it is a trivial approach, it outperform all other methods published up to then. In [J-Sj-8] it is also shown that if the nonlinearity is linear in the parameters then the fitting of the nonlinearity is a least-squares problem. This makes it feasible to evaluate a large set of tentative divisions of the poles and the zeros in a reasonable time, and it is argued that this method is acceptable up to model orders 10-12.

The results in [J-Sj-8] has inspired several researchers, especially at VUB in

Brussels, to develop algorithms with the advantages but avoiding having to test a lot of possible partitioning of the poles and the zeros. In [J-Sj-7] an algorithm developed by L. Leuwers is presented where *all poles and zeros are offered to both linear blocks*. This is done by forming parameterized estimates of the un-measured signals $v(t)$ and $w(t)$, as defined in Figure 1. First a split is made so that the first linear block is described as a linear expansion with the poles as basis functions, and the second linear block is described by an inverse expansion with the zeros as basis functions. In that way, both linear blocks have the total dynamics of the BLA model available. The input signal is filtered through the first linear block, and the output signal is filtered through the inverse of the second block. Then the parameters of the two expansions are estimated together with parameters describing the nonlinearity in a Total-Least-Square problem, for which efficient algorithms exist. Weaknesses of this algorithms are that the zeros at the first linear block, and poles at the second block do not necessarily coincide with those in the linear model. Also, disturbances on the output influence the estimate so the result is asymptotically biased.

Another interesting approach where all poles and zeros are offered to both linear blocks is presented in [17]. There, L. Vanbeylen relax the mixed integer problem and parameterize the placement of each pole and zero with real valued parameters, $\alpha = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n_A}\}$, and $\beta = \{\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{n_B}\}$, as

$$\hat{G}_W(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n_B} (1 - z_i^{BLA} q^{-1})^{\beta_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_A} (1 - p_i^{BLA} q^{-1})^{\alpha_i}}, \quad \hat{G}_H(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n_B} (1 - z_i^{BLA} q^{-1})^{1-\beta_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_A} (1 - p_i^{BLA} q^{-1})^{1-\alpha_i}}, \quad (1)$$

where z_i^{BLA} and p_i^{BLA} are, respectively, zero and pole of the BLA. The indices n_A and n_B denote the degree of the BLA. In that way, all poles and zeros are offered to both linear blocks. The parameters α and β are then estimated together with the parameters of the nonlinearity and parameters becoming 1 indicate that the corresponding pole or zero should be placed in the first linear block, and those becoming 0 belongs to the second linear block.

Given N data from the system, inputs and outputs $\{u(t), y(t)\}_{t=1}^N$, the optimization problem for the estimation of α and β then becomes

$$\min_{\alpha, \beta, \theta_{NL}} V_N(\theta), \quad V_N(\theta) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N (y(t) - \hat{y}(t, \alpha, \beta, \theta_{NL}))^2. \quad (2)$$

and

$$\hat{y}(t, \alpha, \beta, \theta_{NL}) = \hat{G}_W(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) f(\theta_{NL}, \hat{G}_H(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) u(t)) \quad (3)$$

and θ_{NL} are the parameters describing the static nonlinearity, $f(\theta_{NL}, \cdot)$.

In the time domain, the transference functions (1) are not well defined for real values of α and β so it is not straight-forward to formulate the estimation algorithm.

The clever insights used in [17] was to use frequency domain for the linear fraction transfere functions, and time domain for the nonlinearity. The method provides good results in terms of number of iterative optimizations needed. However, there are no guarantees that local minima are avoided.

The main idea for this research proposal is to investigate the possibilities using fractional description, like (1), for the positioning of the poles and zeros in block models containing multiple possible positioning of them (of which the Wiener-Hammerstein model is the simplest example). We will, however, mainly use the time domain and handle the fractions by Taylor expand the functions and in this way obtain large linear regression problems. To avoid huge algebraic expressions, this is described bellow with an example, taken from [7].

Consider a Wiener-Hammerstein system described in the following way

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= \frac{(1 - b_1 q^{-1})}{(1 - a_1 q^{-1})} u(t), \\ w(t) &= f(\theta_{NL}, v(t)) = \theta_1 v(t) + \theta_2 v^2(t), \\ y(t) &= \frac{1}{1 - a_3 q^{-1}} w(t). \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

Assume for simplicity, that the BLA is exact,

$$G_{BLA}(q^{-1}) = \frac{(1 - b_1 q^{-1})}{(1 - a_1 q^{-1})(1 - a_2 q^{-1})}. \tag{5}$$

Therefore, (1) becomes

$$\hat{G}_W(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{(1 - a_3 q^{-1})^{\beta_1}}{(1 - a_1 q^{-1})^{\alpha_1} (1 - a_2 q^{-1})^{\alpha_2}}, \tag{6}$$

$$\hat{G}_H(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{(1 - a_3 q^{-1})^{1-\beta_1}}{(1 - a_1 q^{-1})^{1-\alpha_1} (1 - a_2 q^{-1})^{1-\alpha_2}}. \tag{7}$$

Now, expanding $G_W(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta)$ and $G_H(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta)$ give the approximations

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_W(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) &= 1 + A_1(\alpha, \beta)q^{-1} + \dots + A_{n_1}(\alpha, \beta)q^{-n_1} + \\ &+ d_{W_1}q^{-(n_1+1)} + \dots + d_{W_{n_2}}q^{-n} \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_H(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) &= 1 + B_1(\alpha, \beta)q^{-1} + \dots + B_{n_1}(\alpha, \beta)q^{-n_1} + \\ &+ d_{H_1}q^{-(n_1+1)} + \dots + d_{H_{n_2}}q^{-n}. \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

The expansion order n must be high enough so that the approximation error is negligible. There is also of interest to divide the expansions into two parts, where

the first n_1 coefficients are needed to recover the values of the original parameters α, β . Typically $n_1 < n$. The predictor (3) can now be expressed as

$$\hat{y}(t, \theta) = \tilde{G}_W(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) f(\theta_{NL}, \tilde{G}_H(q^{-1}, \alpha, \beta) u(t)). \quad (10)$$

In (8) $A_1(\alpha, \beta), \dots, A_{n_1}(\alpha, \beta)$ are the coefficients of the Taylor series necessary to re-obtain the values of α, β , while $d_W = [d_{W_1}, \dots, d_{W_{n_2}}]$, $d_H = [d_{H_1}, \dots, d_{H_{n_2}}]$ are dummy coefficients.

There is a natural symmetry between the two expansions,

$$A_i(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\hat{G}_W^{(i)}(0, \alpha, \beta)}{i!}, \quad B_i(\alpha, \beta) = A_i(1 - \alpha, 1 - \beta), \quad (11)$$

where $\hat{G}_W^{(i)}(0, \alpha, \beta)$ denotes the i -th derivative of \hat{G}_W with respect to the delay operator, evaluated in 0.

Now, with $n_1 = 3$, the predictor for system (4) becomes

$$\hat{y}(t) = \hat{w}(t) + B_1 \hat{w}(t - 1) + B_2 \hat{w}(t - 2) + B_3 \hat{w}(t - 3), \quad (12)$$

where $\hat{w}(t)$ is the output of the nonlinearity and can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{w}(t) = & \theta_1 u(t) + \theta_2 u^2(t) + A_1 \theta_1 u(t - 1) + 2A_1 \theta_2 u(t) u(t - 1) + A_1^2 \theta_2 u^2(t - 1) + \\ & + A_2 \theta_1 u(t - 2) + 2A_2 \theta_2 u(t) u(t - 2) + 2A_1 A_2 \theta_2 u(t - 1) u(t - 2) + A_2^2 \theta_2 u^2(t - 2) + \\ & + A_3 \theta_1 u(t - 3) + 2A_3 \theta_2 u(t) u(t - 3) + 2A_1 A_3 \theta_2 u(t - 1) u(t - 3) + \\ & + 2A_2 A_3 \theta_2 u(t - 2) u(t - 3) + A_3^2 \theta_2 u^2(t - 3). \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

For simplicity, in (12) and (13) the dummy parameters have been omitted, it is messy enough anyway. The main message is, however, fairly clear, combining (12) and (13) gives a linear regression formulation if one re-parameterize and introduce regressors consisting of monomials in shifted versions of $u(t)$. Eg, one of the regressors is $u(t - 3)u(t - 4)$, and the corresponding expression which should be replaced with a new parameter is $2A_2 A_3 B_1$.

To sum up, the example shows that it is possible to express the problem of identifying the division of the poles and zeros of the BLA between the two linear blocks as a continuous identification problem. Due to the expansion and the nonlinearity, the expressions becomes messy. However, the principle is straightforward and it has been implemented in *Mathematica* so that one does not need to see the huge intermediate expressions. In [7] the method is also applied to an example.

Nevertheless, there are many open issues, and the purpose of this proposal is to fill some them.

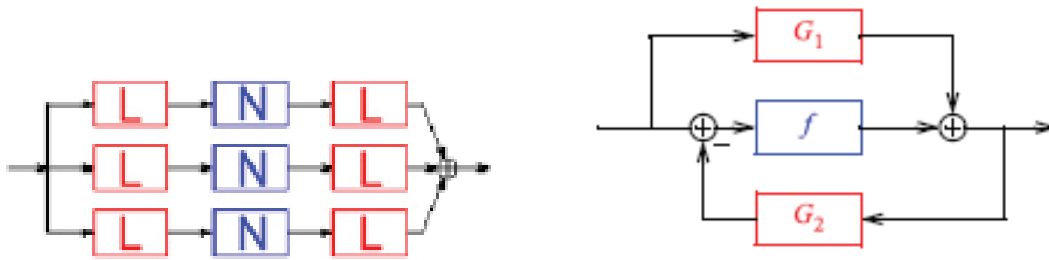


Figure 2: a) A parallel Wiener-Hammerstein model structure . b) A Recurrent block based nonlinear model structure. Figures from [12].

So far we have focused on the Wiener-Hammerstein model. There exist, however, many other model structures with similar initialization problems. For example, the parallel Wiener-Hammerstein models, illustrated in Figure 2 a). [13] describes an identification scheme which requires multiple input signals, and which in the end is very elaborative. We intend to investigate how the described technique can be used to obtain better algorithms.

Another class of block models we intend to investigate are those with an internal feedback, an example of such a model is shown in Figure 2 b).

3 Project description

In the previous section, the main research topic was described, namely to investigate the possibilities and the properties of algorithms based on series expansions describing the division of poles and zeros in the initialization step of nonlinear block based models.

There are a number of research questions to investigate:

- It can be shown that the linear regression formulation becomes very large. A moderate sized problem can easily give a LS problem with 10 000 regressors. How can this be handled, making use of the fact that we need only a few of all the parameters to obtain the α, β ?
- Can it be better to stay with the original parameters instead of the LS formulation? Can local minima still be avoided?
- How connects the risk of local minima in the original parameterization with the question of uniqueness when the α, β are to be calculated from the LS estimate?

- How should the expansion order n be chosen dependent on the BLA?
- How should n_1 be chosen to make it possible to obtain the values of α, β ?
- Statistical properties of the obtained initialization, can the risk of misclassifying a pole or a zero be estimated?
- Develop a formalism for describing the developed algorithms.

3.1 Preliminary time plan

- year 1 Investigate and describe the algorithm for Wiener-Hammerstein model. Investigate the LS formulation, how the problem scale with respect to the order of the BLA and the complexity if the nonlinear model. Search for possibilities to circumvent the problem with a large LS problem. Compare with how other algorithms scale. Validate theoretical results with computer simulations.
- year 2 Statistical properties. What are the possibilities to apply the algorithms to other block based model structures? Start with the parallel Wiener-Hammerstein model.
- year 3 Licentiate degree. Continue expanding results to other model structures and investigate the properties of the algorithms. Guest research visit. Possible at VUB, but other alternatives could also be possible.
- year 4 and 5 Depending on the results up to here, the most interesting remaining questions are investigated further.

4 Significance

Within the field of nonlinear system identification the block based models is one of the groups of models which has received very much attention. Faster and more reliable estimation of models is essentially for developing and improving performance of functionality that run independent of a supervisor. Hence, better algorithms for block based models can be of significant importance in, eg, many industrial processes to increase the performance in all possible ways.

5 Preliminary results

The project leader has a long background in nonlinear system identification research going back to his Ph.D which was published 1995. The academic year 2009-2010 he focused on identification of block based models during a sabbatical with Johan Schoukens at VUB in Belgium. The hosting research group has a long tradition of work on block based models, and the project leader had the opportunity to cooperate with several researchers. Among other, the publications [J-Sj-8], [J-Sj-7] and [J-Sj-6] contains results on identification of block based models from that sabbatical stay.

The example in previous section was taken from [7] where also some more details about the approach are explained.

6 International and national cooperation

There are close connections with the ELEC research group at VUB, Belgium. Except that, good European and international contacts exists with in the system identification community, among other ways, through the European Research Network System Identification (ERNSI) <http://ernsi.s3.kth.se/> which organizes a yearly workshop where ideas and contacts are exchanged.

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Interdisciplinarity

My application is interdisciplinary

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Scientific report/Account for scientific activities of previous project

Budget and research resources

Project staff

Describe the staff that will be working in the project and the salary that is applied for in the project budget. Enter the full amount, not in thousands SEK.

Participating researchers that accept an invitation to participate in the application will be displayed automatically under Dedicated time for this project. Note that it will take a few minutes before the information is updated, and that it might be necessary for the project leader to close and reopen the form.

Dedicated time for this project

Role in the project	Name	Percent of full time
1 Applicant	Jonas Sjöberg	20
2 Other personnel without doctoral degree	doktorand	80

Salaries including social fees

Role in the project	Name	Percent of salary	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
1 Applicant	Jonas Sjöberg	10	134	139	143	148	564
2 Other personnel without doctoral degree	Doktorand	80	481	498	516	534	2,029
Total			615	637	659	682	2,593

Other costs

Describe the other project costs for which you apply from the Swedish Research Council. Enter the full amount, not in thousands SEK.

Premises

Type of premises	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
1 kontor	44	46	47	49	186
Total	44	46	47	49	186

Running Costs

Running Cost	Description	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
1 Konferensresor	vetenskapliga	20	20	40	40	120
2 Forskningsresor	sommarskoloretc	20	20	20	20	80
3 litteratur	böcker	2	2	2	2	8
4 Förbrukningsmaterial	dator	20				20
5 Direkta IT-kostnader		14	14	15	15	58
Total		76	56	77	77	286

Depreciation costs

Depreciation cost	Description	2016	2017	2018	2019
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Total project cost

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Under Other costs you can enter which costs, aside from the ones you apply for from the Swedish Research Council, that the project includes. Add the full amounts, not in thousands of SEK.

The subtotal plus indirect costs are the total per year that you apply for.

Total budget

Specified costs	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total, applied	Other costs	Total cost
Salaries including social fees	615	637	659	682	2,593		2,593
Running costs	76	56	77	77	286		286
Depreciation costs					0		0
Premises	44	46	47	49	186		186
Subtotal	735	739	783	808	3,065	0	3,065
Indirect costs	226	234	242	250	952		952
Total project cost	961	973	1,025	1,058	4,017	0	4,017

Explanation of the proposed budget

Briefly justify each proposed cost in the stated budget.

Explanation of the proposed budget*

Budgeten avser att finansiera en doktorand samt handledning av denna. Utöver handledning avser projektledaren att forska själv i projektet vilket ger en aktivitetsgrad på 20% i projektet. Därför är alla kostnadsposter rätt så rättframma.

Lön projektledare, 10% övriga 10% täcks med interna medel.

Lön doktorand 80%. Övriga 20% täcks med undervisningsmedel och motsvarande arbetstid läggs på undervisning.

Kontor: kostnad för arbetsplats för doktoranden + proskarledaren (andel av kostnaden i relation med aktivitetsgrad)

Konferensresor: för att presentera resultat från projektet på vetenskapliga konferenser.

Forskningsresor: för att besöka sommarskola, besöka annan institution som gäst.

Litteratur: fackböcker

Förbrukningsmaterial: dator + kringutrustning till doktoranden.

Direkta IT-kostnader: infrastrukturkostnad, fördelas enligt schablon inom universitetet.

Indirekta kostnader: Kostnader för gemensamma universitetresurser (exklusive IT) fördelas med schablon.

Other funding

Describe your other project funding for the project period (applied for or granted) aside from that which you apply for from the Swedish Research Council. Write the whole sum, not thousands of SEK.

Other funding for this project

Funder	Applicant/project leader	Type of grant	Reg no or equiv.	2016	2017	2018	2019
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Jonas Sjöberg

1. Higher education qualifications

1989 **Masters of Science, Applied Physics**, *Uppsala University*, Uppsala, Sweden.

2. Doctoral degree:

1995 **Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering**, *Linköping University*, Sweden.

Title: "Nonlinear System Identification with Neural Networks". Advisor: Prof. L. Ljung.

3. Postdoctoral positions:

1995- 1996 **Post-doc**, *Dept. of Chemical Engineering*, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Zürich, Switzerland.

4. Qualification required for appointments as a docent

2000 **Swedish Docent degree**, *Chalmers*.

5. Current position

2001- present **Professor, approximately 50%-60% time for research.**, *Department of Signals and Systems*, Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg, Sweden. Leading a research group of approximately 15 persons of which 5 are senior researchers, 3 post docs, and the rest are Ph.D. students.

6. Previous positions and periods of appointment

2009-2010 **Guest researcher**, *Department of Fundamental Electricity and Instrumentation*, Faculty of Engineering, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium (12 months).

2000– 2001 **Associate professor**, *Department of Signals and Systems*, Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg, Sweden.

1996– 2000 **Assistant professor**, *Department of Signals and Systems*, Chalmers.

1998 **Guest researcher**, Technion, Haifa, Israel (6 months).

1997 **Guest researcher**, *Institute for Econometrics, Operations Research and System Theory*, Vienna University of Technology, Austria (6 months).

1996 **Visiting lecturer, summer course**, *Computer Science Department*, Linköping University.

7. Interruption in research

2001-2012 **Parental leave:**, 60% during 6 months 2001, 100% during 9 months 2006, 100% during 9 months 2012. No essential reduction of teaching during these leave of absence.

2005-2010 **Head of Programme**, in Automation and Mechatronics at Chalmers (30% duty). No reduction of teaching duties due to this commission. This duty gave valuable overview of the teaching body of Chalmers, the process of managing education and the importance of motivating teachers as well as students.

2001-present **Leadership responsibilities**, Jonas is leading a research group of 15 persons. This has given valuable experience in leadership.

8. Supervision

Supervised Ph.D Projects, main supervisor

- 2012 **M. Ali.**
- 2012 **N. Murgovski.**
- 2011 **M. Brännström.**
- 2004 **J. Hellgren.**
- 2000 **L.S.H. Ngia.**

4 completed licentiate degrees as main supervisor.

Ongoing Ph.D projects where Jonas is the main supervisor: 3, co-supervisor: 4

Postdoc supervision

- 2012–2015 **Gabriel Rodrigues de Campos**, *Chalmers*, Gothenburg, Sweden.
- 2012–2014 **Nikolce Murgovski**, *Chalmers*, Gothenburg, Sweden.
- 2009–2011 **Esteban Gelso**, *Chalmers*, Gothenburg, Sweden.
- 2009–2010 **Anna Marconato**, *Department of Fundamental Electricity and Instrumentation*, Faculty of Engineering, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium.

9. Other information of relevance to the application

Awards and special commissions

- 2011 **Volvo Cars Technology Award.**
- 2011-present **Scientific evaluator**, for VINNOVA, FFI - Vehicle and Traffic Safety.
- 2010-present **Steering group member**, of Chalmers's 'Area of advance, Transportation, with focus on traffic safety.
- 2005-2010 **Head of Programme**, in Automation and Mechatronics at Chalmers (30% duty).
- 1999-2008 **Associate editor of Control Engineering Practice.**
- 1998 **Lady Davis postdoctoral scholarship.**
- 1997 **Stipend**, from the "Ericsson funding for supporting Electrical Engineering".
- 1996 **Stipend**, from "The foundation of Bernt Järmark's memory".
- 1990 **Stipend**, from the "Ericsson funding for supporting Electrical Engineering".
- 1987-1989 **Scholarship**, from the Swiss Government for Academic Studies in Switzerland.

Entrepreneurial achievements

Jonas Sjöberg is the author of Wolfram Research's Neural Network package, an add-on tool for mathematical software tool *Mathematica*, <http://www.wolfram.com/products/applications/neuralnetworks>. More than 1000 users.

Experience of communicating results with stakeholders/end users

Most research projects are together with industrial partners integrated with a process for knowledge transfer. Jonas regularly give courses for industry participants. He is often engaged as speaker to spread information outside his area of expertise. For example, he participated in Vetenskapsfestivalen 2012 (<http://vetenskapsfestivalen.se/>), and the seminar day organized by the magazine Ny Teknik, "Smarta fordon – ny teknik för aktiv och passiv säkerhet", 2013, speaker at Chalmers's Transport Day 2010, <http://www.chalmers.se/en/areas-of-advance/Transport/FilmTransportdagen/Pages/Traffic-Safety—Accident-Avoidance.aspx>

Publications Jonas Sjöberg

Number of citations are based on Google Scholar.

1. Peer-Reviewed Journal Papers 2008–2015

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- [J-Sj-5] N. Murgovski, L. Mårdh Johannesson, and J. Sjöberg. Engine on/off control for dimensioning hybrid electric powertrains via convex optimization. *Vehicular Technology, IEEE Transactions on*, 62(7):2949–2962, 2013. Number of citations: **15**
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- [J-Sj-7] (*) J. Sjöberg, L. Lauwers, and J. Schoukens. Identification of Wiener-Hammerstein models: Two algorithms based on the best split of a linear model applied to the SYSID’09 benchmark problem. *Control Engineering Practice*, 20(11):1119 – 1125, 2012. Special Section: Wiener-Hammerstein System Identification Benchmark. Number of citations: **8**
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7. Computer Software

Jonas Sjöberg is the author of Wolfram Research's Neural Network package, an add-on application package for neural network computations under the general mathematical program *Mathematica*. This package contains state-of-the-art algorithms and is accompanied with a 300-pages manual including tutorial chapters for beginners as well as advanced examples illustrating the capabilities of the package.

<http://www.wolfram.com/products/applications/neuralnetworks/>. More than 1000 users.

9. Five most cited publications

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- the research is conducted according to Swedish legislation.

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