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**Fixed-Time Interval Observer Design  
Using an Artificial Delay:  
A Study of Discrete-Time Case**

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# Introduction

## Remarks

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- In applied mathematics, using time may help to overcome obstacles
- Using an artificial delay: intentionally inserting a delay in the observer design of a system, without the system having to rely on past inputs or states
- We will review two families of systems where using an artificial delay can be useful for fixed-time observer design

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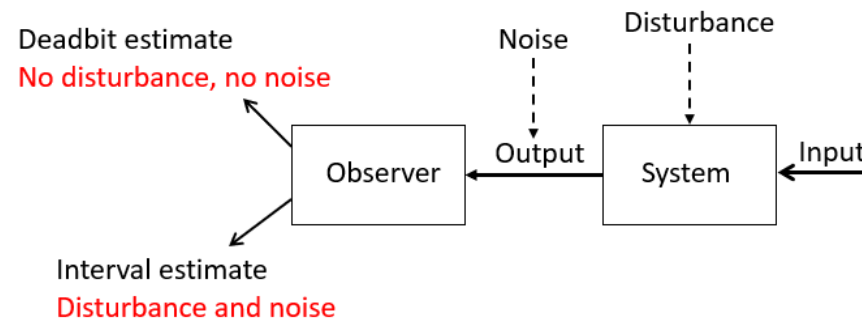
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### Goal:

- If known disturbances ( $\equiv$ no disturbances)  $\dots$  exact estimate after  $h$
- If unknown disturbances  $\dots$  interval estimate  $\dots \forall k > \text{fixed-time } h$   
cf. Classical observers = Asymptotic estimate  $\dots k \rightarrow \infty$

cf. Interval observers = Two bounds  $\forall k \dots$

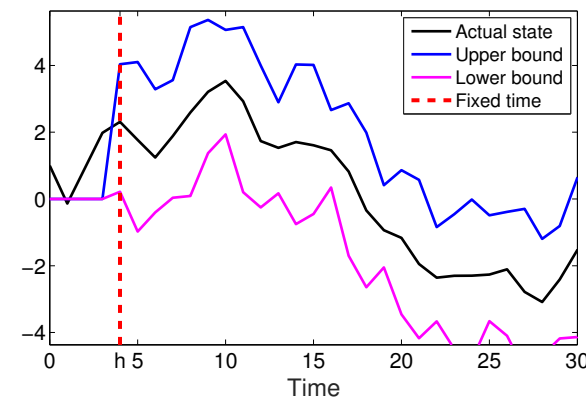
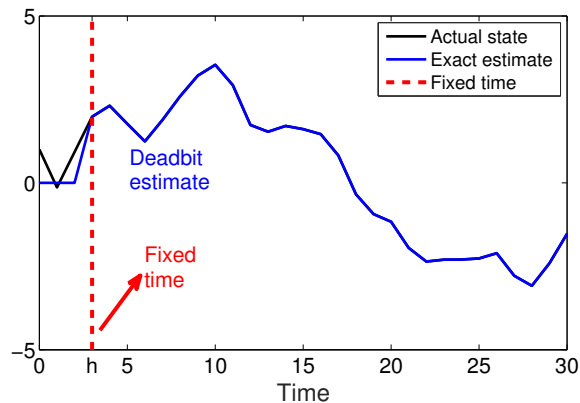
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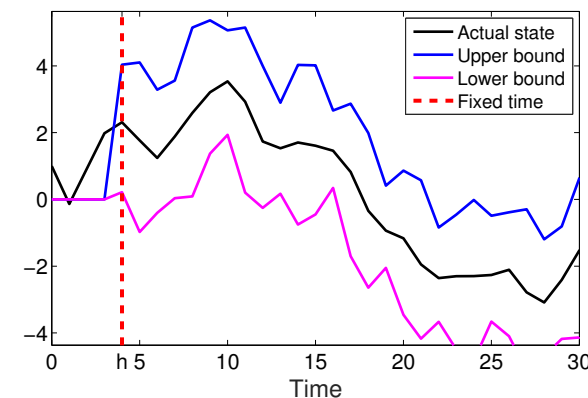
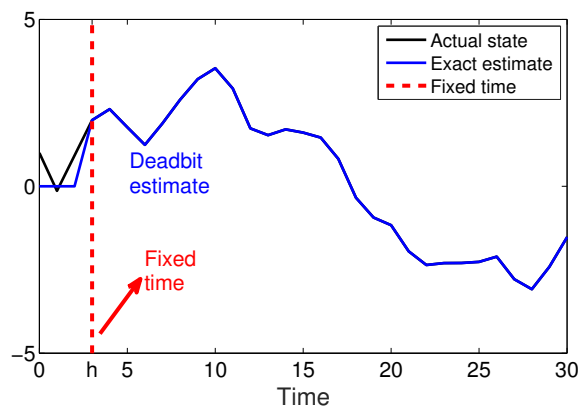
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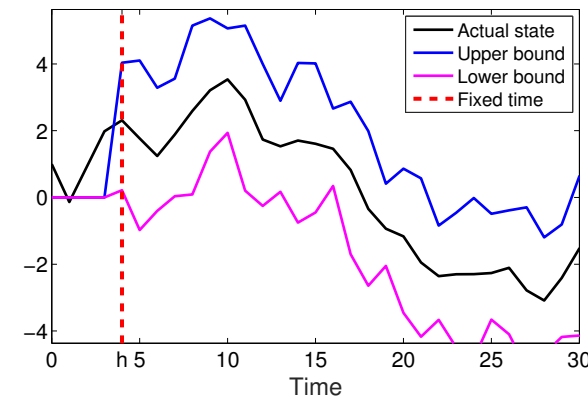
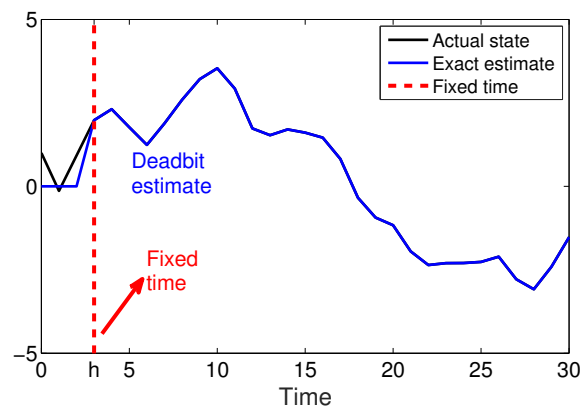


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## Advantages of proposed interval technique

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Classical designs

Proposed technique

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No monotonicity property

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No information on the  
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## Part I: Time-Invariant Discrete-Time Systems\*

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## Notations & Lemmas:

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- Operators  $\leq$  must be understood componentwise
- $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $Q^+ = \max\{Q, 0\}$ ,  $Q^- = Q^+ - Q$ ,  $|Q| = Q^+ + Q^-$
- Let  $d \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a vector such that  $\underline{d} \leq d \leq \bar{d}$ . If  $\mathcal{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  constant, then  $\mathcal{M}^+ \underline{d} - \mathcal{M}^- \bar{d} \leq \mathcal{M}d \leq \mathcal{M}^+ \bar{d} - \mathcal{M}^- \underline{d}$
- For any nonlinear discrete-time system with disturbances  $x(k+1) = Ax(k) + F(u(k), y(k)) + d(k)$ , we can relate the state at time  $m_1$  to the state at an **earlier time**  $m_2$  as follows

$$x(m_1) = A^{m_1 - m_2} x(m_2) + \sum_{\ell=m_2}^{m_1-1} A^{m_1 - \ell - 1} [F(u(\ell), y(\ell)) + d(\ell)]$$

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$$(\mathcal{S}) : \begin{cases} x(k+1) = Ax(k) + F(u(k), y(k)) + d(k) \\ y(k) = Cx(k) + v(k) \end{cases}$$

**Assumptions:**

- $\underline{d} \leq d(k) \leq \bar{d}$ ,  $\underline{v} \leq v(k) \leq \bar{v} \rightarrow$  realistic
- **The pair  $(A, C)$  is observable** and  $A$  is invertible

**$(A, C)$  observable**  $\rightarrow \exists L \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $H = A + LC$  admits a spectral radius smaller than the modulus of any eigenvalue of  $A$

$\Rightarrow$  we can prove that there is an integer  $h > 0$  such that the matrix

$$H^{-h} - A^{-h}$$

**is invertible**  $\rightarrow$  we define  $E_h = (H^{-h} - A^{-h})^{-1}$

$A$  is not invertible  $\rightarrow$  decompose  $Ax + F(u, y)$  in an alternative way so that the new matrix  $A$  is invertible

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$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{(H^{-h} - A^{-h})}_{E_h^{-1}} x(k) = \sum_{\ell=k-h}^{k-1} H^{k-\ell-1-h} [\dots] - \sum_{\ell=k-h}^{k-1} A^{k-\ell-1-h} [\dots]$$



## Exact estimation when disturbances are known

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**Theorem 1.** Let  $L \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times q}$  and  $h \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $h \geq 1$  be such that the matrix  $H^{-h} - A^{-h}$  is invertible. Then, for a given input  $u(k)$ , any solution  $x(k)$  of the system (S) which exists over  $\mathbb{N}$  satisfies, for all  $k \geq h$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(k) = & -E_h \sum_{\ell=k-h}^{k-1} A^{k-h-\ell-1} F(u(\ell), y(\ell)) \\
 & + E_h \sum_{\ell=k-h}^{k-1} H^{k-h-\ell-1} [F(u(\ell), y(\ell)) - Ly(\ell)] \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

with  $E_h = (H^{-h} - A^{-h})^{-1}$

**Drawback:** The formula may contain many terms because  $h$  may be large and thus many values have to be stored  $\rightarrow$  an alternative solution which is based on dynamic extensions

## Deadbit estimate

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**Theorem 2.** *Consider the dynamic extensions*

$$\hat{x}(k+1) = A\hat{x}(k) + F(u(k), y(k)) + d(k)$$

and

$$x_*(k+1) = Hx_*(k) + F(u(k), y(k)) - Ly(k) + d(k) + Lv(k).$$

*Consider a solution  $x(k)$  of (S) defined over  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then, for all  $k \geq h$ ,*

$$x(k) = E_h \left[ H^{-h} x_*(k) - x_*(k-h) - A^{-h} \hat{x}(k) + \hat{x}(k-h) \right]$$

**Remark 1.** *Notice that  $x_*$  is a classical observer for the system (S) when disturbances are known*

## Approximate estimation when disturbances are unknown

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**Theorem 3.** For all integer  $k \geq h$ ,

$$\underline{x}(k) \leq x(k) \leq \bar{x}(k)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x}(k) = & -E_h \sum_{\ell=k-h}^{k-1} A^{k-h-\ell-1} F(u(\ell), y(\ell)) \\ & + E_h \sum_{\ell=k-h}^{k-1} H^{k-h-\ell-1} [F(u(\ell), y(\ell)) - Ly(\ell)] \\ & + \left( \sum_{\ell=1}^h F_h A^\ell + G_h H^\ell \right)^+ \bar{d} - \left( \sum_{\ell=1}^h F_h A^\ell + G_h H^\ell \right)^- \underline{d} \\ & + \left( G_h \sum_{\ell=1}^h H^\ell L \right)^+ \bar{v} - \left( G_h \sum_{\ell=1}^h H^\ell L \right)^- \underline{v} \end{aligned}$$

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## Numerical example

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$$x_2(k+1) = -\frac{3}{8}x_1(k) + \frac{1}{8}u_2(k) + \frac{1}{9}\sin(k)$$

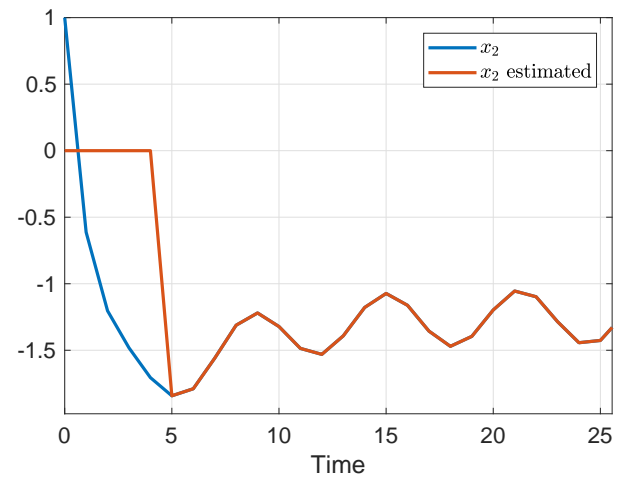
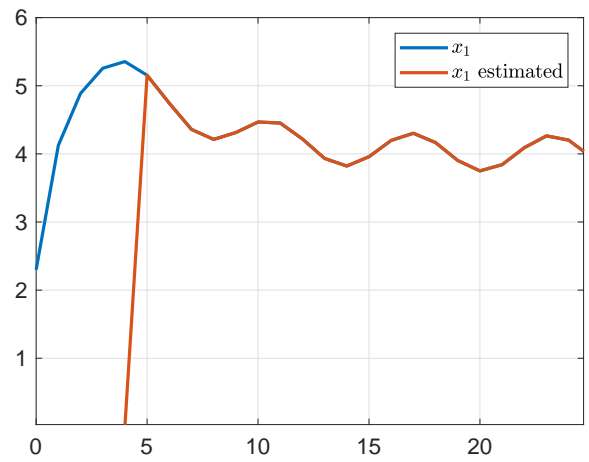
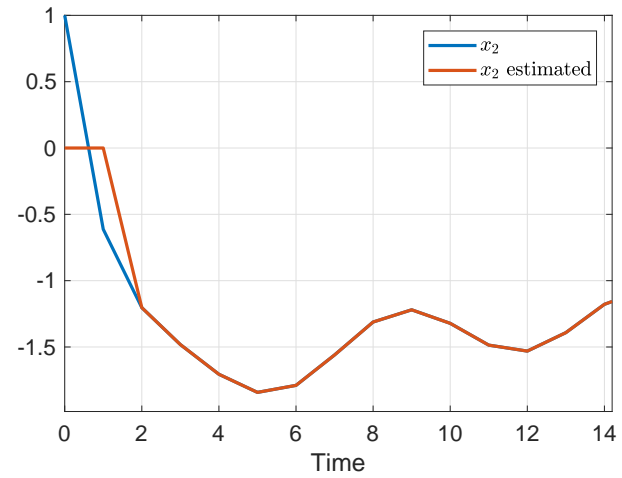
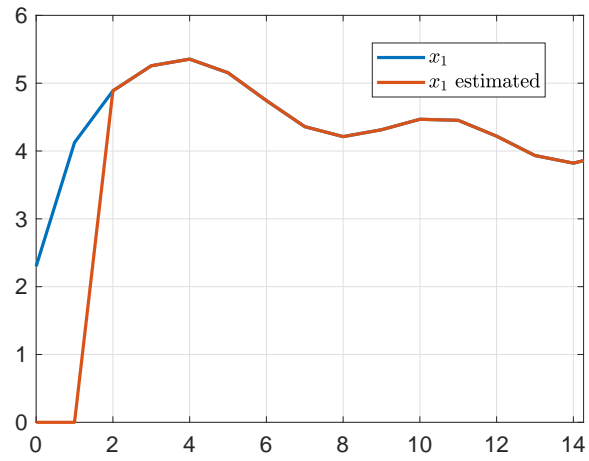
$$y(k) = x_1(k) + \frac{1}{9}\sin(k^2)$$

The choice  $L = \left[-\frac{7}{8} \quad \frac{11}{32}\right]^T$  gives  $H = A + LC = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{8} & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{32} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

We can prove easily that  $H^{-h} - A^{-h}$  is invertible for all  $h \geq 2 \rightarrow$  All assumptions are satisfied

# Simulations

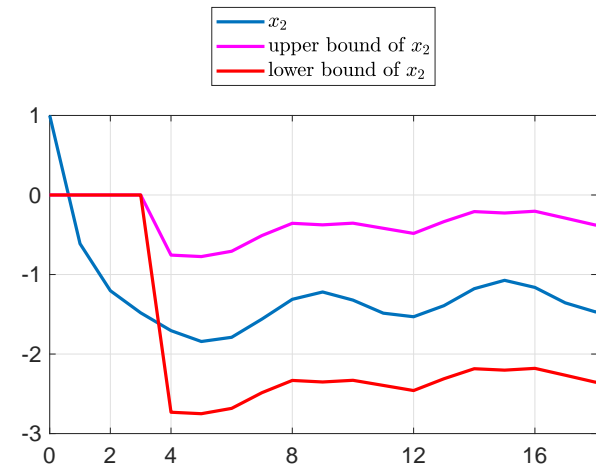
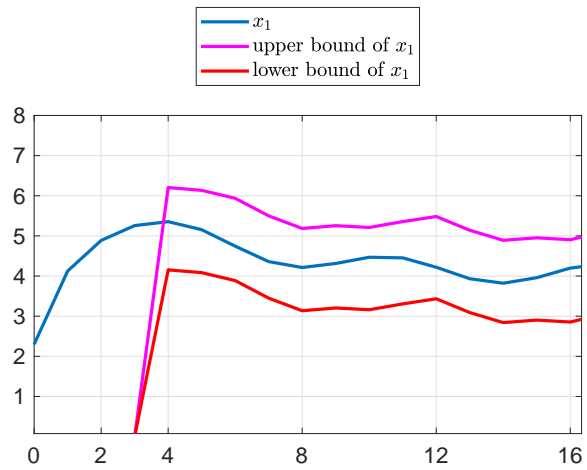
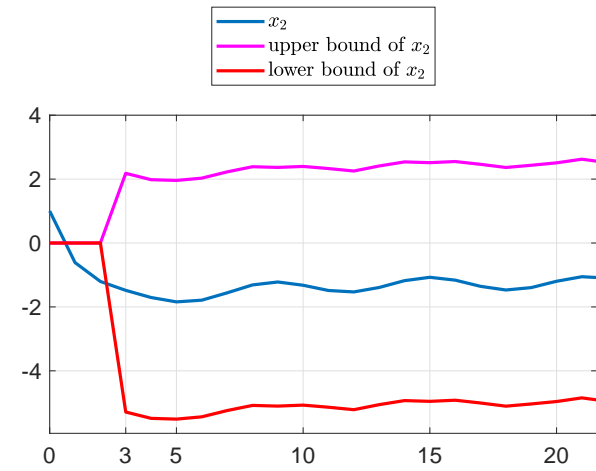
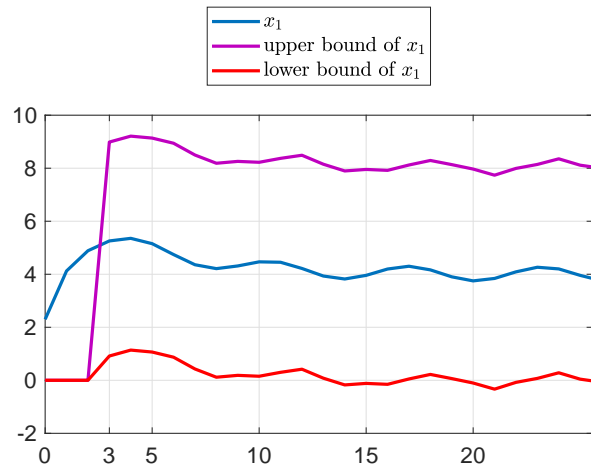
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## Part II: Time-Varying Discrete-Time Systems\*

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## Lemma

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Consider  $x(k+1) = A(k)x(k) + \beta(k, u(k), y(k)) + d(k)$ . We can relate the state at time  $m_1$  to the state at an **earlier time**  $m_2$ :

$$x(m_1) = \Phi_A(m_1, m_2)x(m_2) + \sum_{\ell=m_2}^{m_1-1} \Phi_A(m_1, \ell+1)[\beta(\ell, u(\ell), y(\ell)) + d(\ell)]$$

where  $\Phi_A(m_1, m_2)$  discrete-time state transition matrix:

$$\Phi_A(m_1, m_2) = \begin{cases} A(m_1-1)A(m_1-2)\cdots A(m_2), & m_1 > m_2 \geq 0 \\ I, & m_1 = m_2 \end{cases}$$

$A(m_1-1), A(m_1-2)\dots, A(m_2)$  invertible  $\rightarrow \Phi_A(m_1, m_2)$  nonsingular

$$\Phi_A(m_1, m_2) = \Phi_A^{-1}(m_2, m_1) \quad \Phi_A(m_1, \ell)\Phi_A(\ell, m_2) = \Phi_A(m_1, m_2)$$

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**Assumptions:**

- (i)  $\underline{d} \leq d(k) \leq \bar{d}$ ,  $\underline{v} \leq v(k) \leq \bar{v} \rightarrow$  realistic
- (ii)  $\forall k$ , the pair  $(A(k), C(k))$  is observable and  $A(k)$  is invertible. Furthermore, there exists  $L(k)$  such that the matrix  $H(k) = A(k) + L(k)C(k)$  is both Schur stable and invertible

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  we can prove that there exist matrices  $L(k), L(k-1), \dots, L(k-h)$  and an integer  $h_* \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $\forall h \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $h > h_*$  the matrix

$$\Phi_H^{-1}(k, k-h) - \Phi_A^{-1}(k, k-h)$$

is invertible  $\rightarrow$  we define  $E_h(k) = \left( \Phi_H^{-1}(k, k-h) - \Phi_A^{-1}(k, k-h) \right)^{-1}$

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## Exact estimation when disturbances are known

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**Theorem 5.** Let  $L(k) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times q}$  and  $h \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $h \geq 1$  be such that the matrix  $\Phi_H^{-1}(k, k-h) - \Phi_A^{-1}(k, k-h)$  is invertible for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, for all  $k \geq h$ ,

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 \end{aligned}$$

with  $E_h(k) = (\Phi_H^{-1}(k, k-h) - \Phi_A^{-1}(k, k-h))^{-1}$

**Drawback:** The formula may contain many terms because  $h$  may be large and thus many values have to be stored  $\rightarrow$  an alternative solution which is based on dynamic extensions



## Deadbit estimate

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**Theorem 6.** *Consider the dynamic extensions*

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and

$$x_*(k+1) = H(k)x_*(k) + \beta(k, u(k), y(k)) - L(k)y(k) + d(k) + L(k)v(k)$$

Consider a solution  $x(k)$  of  $(S_k)$  defined over  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then, for all  $k \geq h$ ,

$$x(k) = E_h(k) \left[ \Phi_H^{-1}(k, k-h)x_*(k) - x_*(k-h) - \Phi_A^{-1}(k, k-h)\hat{x}(k) + \hat{x}(k-h) \right]$$

**Remark 2.** Notice that  $x_*$  is a classical observer for the system  $(S_k)$  when disturbances are known

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## Numerical example

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Consider the system borrowed from [Zhong et al., 2010] with

$$A(k) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2e^{-\frac{k}{100}} & 0.6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 & \sin(k) \\ 0 & 0 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix}, \beta(u(k), y(k)) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \sin(0.2k) \\ 1.8 \sin(0.2k) \\ 0.3 \sin(0.2k) \end{bmatrix},$$

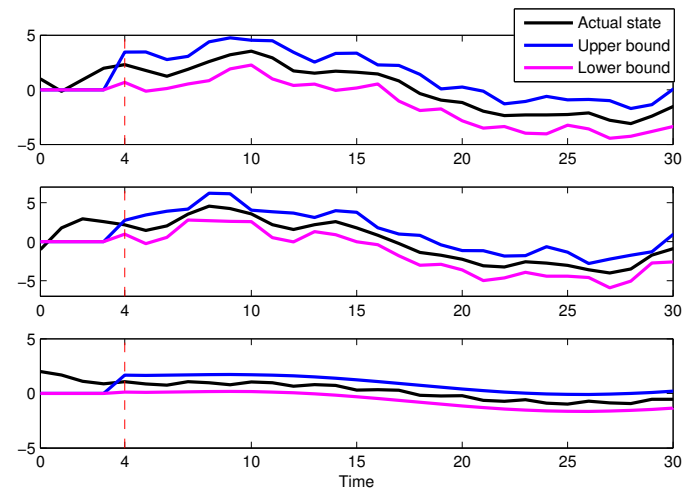
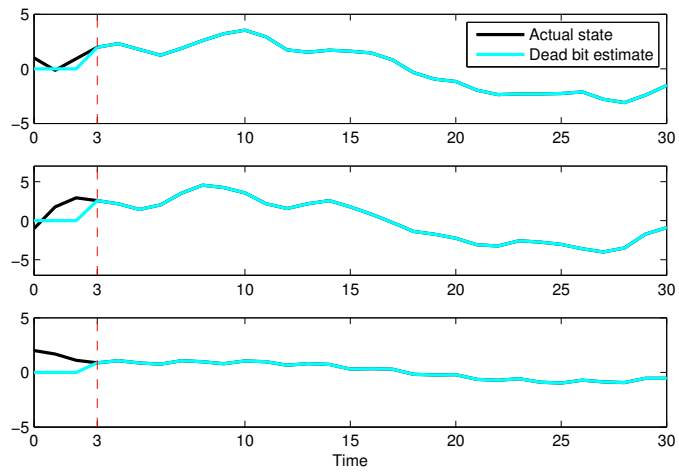
$$d(k) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} \sin(2k) \\ \frac{1}{4} \sin(2k) \\ \frac{1}{4} \sin(2k) \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } v(k) = 0.3 \cos(k)$$

Choose  $L(k) = \left[ \frac{1}{4} \ 0 \ 0 \right]^\top$ . We can prove easily that  $A(k)$ ,  $H(k) = A(k) + L(k)C(k)$  and  $E_h(k) = \Phi_H^{-1}(k, k-h) - \Phi_A^{-1}(k, k-h)$  are invertible for  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $h = \{3, 4\} \rightarrow$  All assumptions are satisfied

M. Zhong, D. Zhou, S.X. Ding, On Designing  $H_\infty$  Fault Detection Filter for Linear Discrete Time-Varying Systems, IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, 55, pp. 1689-1695, 2010

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## Application to Switched Linear DT Systems\*

\*L. Dadi, T.N. Dinh, T. Raïssi, H. Ethabet, M. Aoun, "New Finite-Time Observers design for a Discrete-Time Switched Linear System," in Proceedings of the 1st IFAC Workshop on Control of Complex Systems , Bologna, Italy, pp. 73-78, 2022



## Problem statement

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Consider the following discrete-time switched linear system

$$(\mathcal{S}_q) : \begin{cases} x(k+1) = A_q x(k) + B_q u(k) + d(k) \\ y(k) = C_q x(k) + v(k) \end{cases}$$

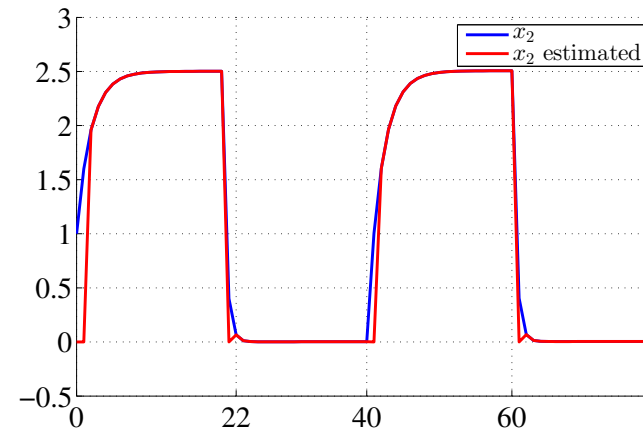
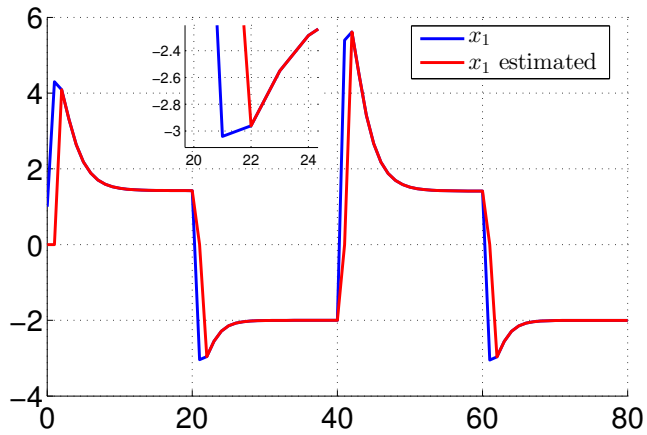
### Assumptions:

- Minimal dwell time:  $\exists$  known  $\tau_a$  s.t.  $\forall q \in \overline{1, N}, t_q - t_{q-1} \geq \tau_a$
- $\underline{d} \leq d(k) \leq \bar{d}, \underline{v} \leq v(k) \leq \bar{v} \rightarrow$  realistic
- $\forall q \in \overline{1, N}$ , the pair  $(A_q, C_q)$  is observable and  $A_q$  is invertible
- $\exists h > 0$  and  $h < \tau_a$  such that the matrix

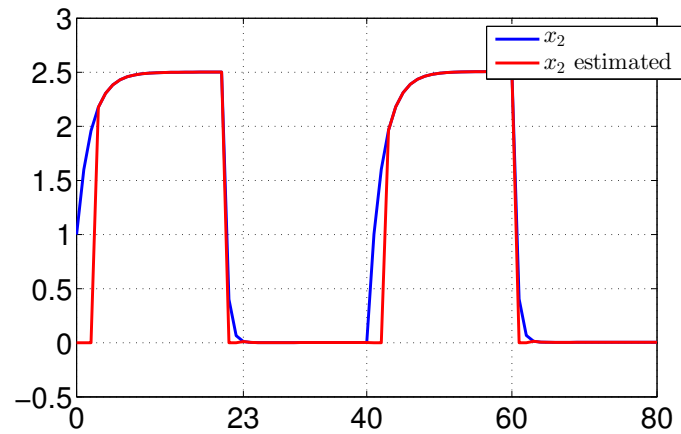
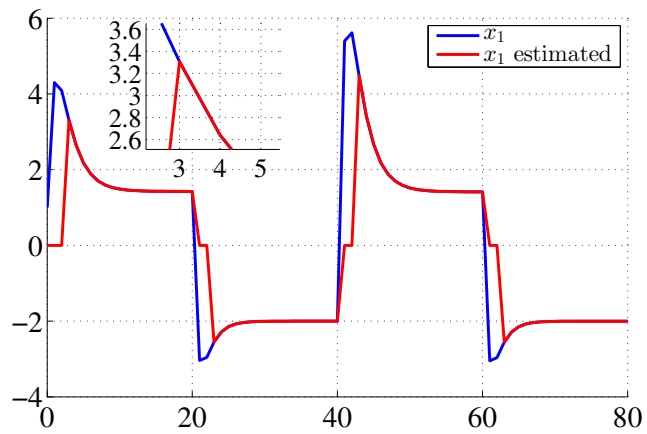
$$H_q^{-h} - A_q^{-h}$$

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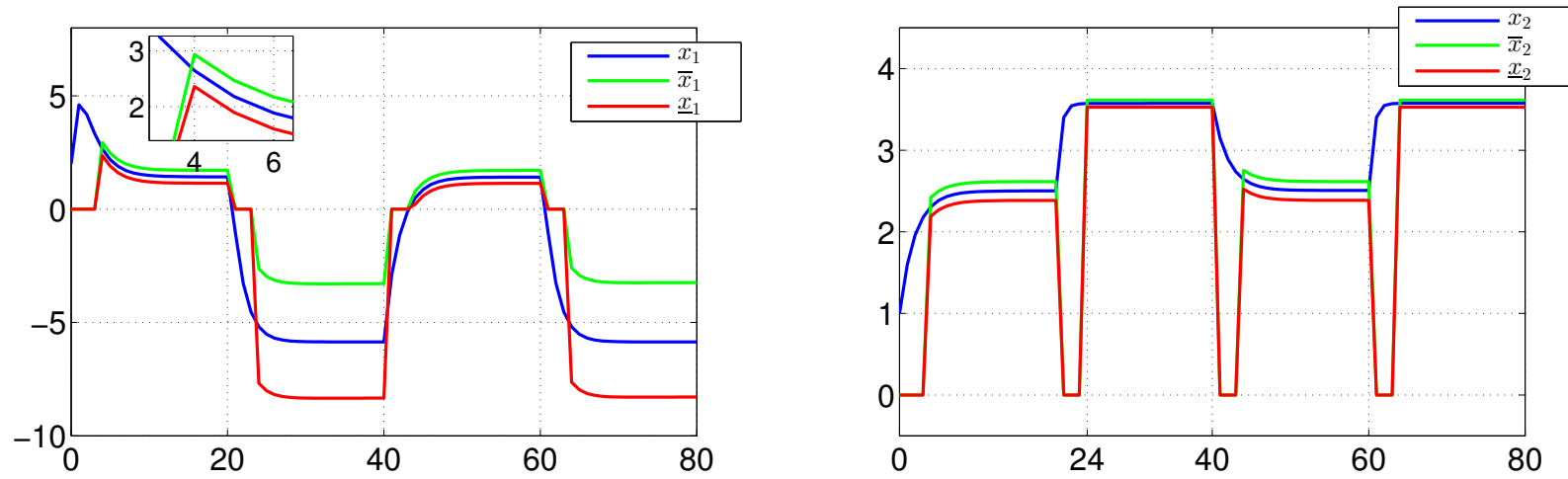


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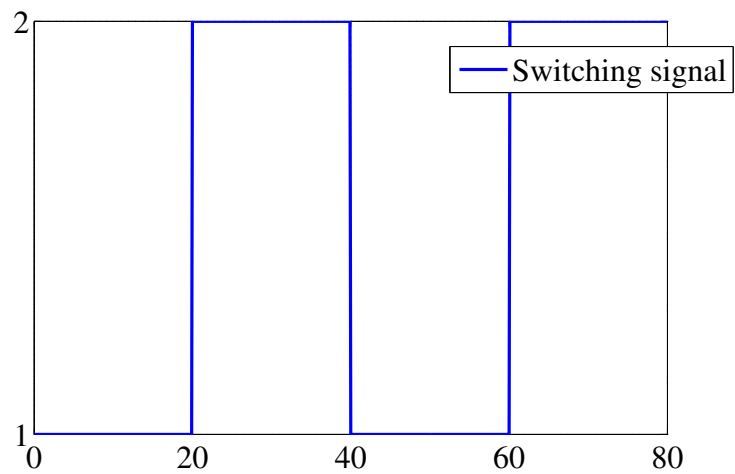


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$$h = 4$$



## Conclusion and Perspectives

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- The key idea relies on the use of past values of the input and the output of the studied system
- Neither information on the bound of the initial conditions nor monotonicity property is needed in our development
- Providing exact values of the solutions in the absence of disturbances and a lower and upper bounds when the disturbances are present after a fixed time which can be tuned
- Future work:
  - Extension to more general families of nonlinear discrete-time systems can be considered
  - Adding unknown input
  - Observer-based feedback is also expected

**Thank you for your attention 😊!**