

Method of Least Squares

Method of Least Squares Overview

- **Deriving formulas for different least squares filters**
 - **Zeroth-order or one-state filter**
 - **First-order or two-state filter**
 - **Second-order or three-state filter**
 - **Third-Order or Four-State System**
- **Experiments with each of the filters**
 - **Signal contaminated with noise**
 - **Look at estimates and errors in the estimates**
- **Filter comparison**
- **Accelerometer testing example**

What We Are Going To Do

- **Assume a polynomial form to represent signal**
- **Estimate the coefficients of the selected polynomial by choosing a goodness of fit criterion**
- **Use calculus to minimize the sum of the squares of the individual discrepancies in order to obtain the best coefficients for the selected polynomial**

Zeroth-Order or One-State Filter

Least Squares Method For Zeroth-Order System-2

We get

$$0 = na_0 - \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^*$$

Rearranging terms yields

$$a_0 = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^*}{n}$$

Since

$$\hat{x}_k = a_0$$

- We can say that the best constant fit to a set of measurement data in the least squares sense is simply the average value of the measurements!
- Note that this is a batch processing technique since all the data must be collected before an estimate can be made

Numerical Example For Zeroth-Order System

Sample measurement data

| | | | | |
|----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| t | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| x* | 1.2 | .2 | 2.9 | 2.1 |

We can express time in terms of the sampling time

$$t = (k-1)T_s \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

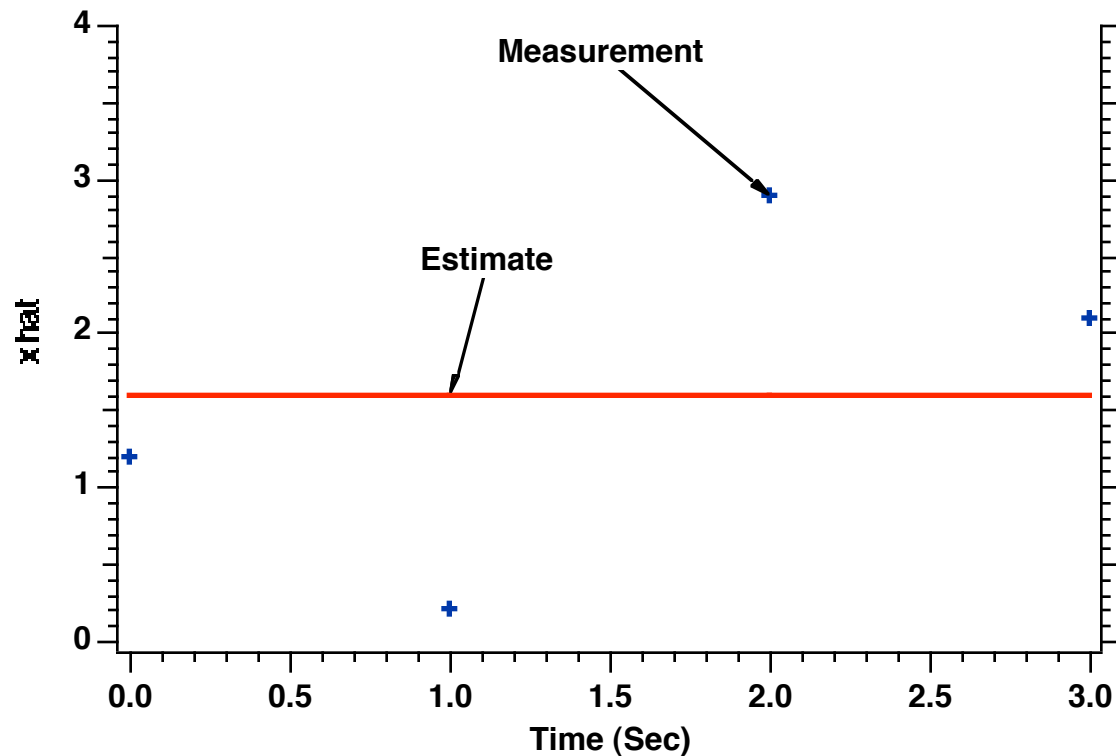
Another way of expressing the measurement data

| | | | | |
|---------------------|-----|----|-----|-----|
| k | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| (k-1)T _s | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| x _k * | 1.2 | .2 | 2.9 | 2.1 |

Solving for the best constant yields

$$\hat{x}_k = a_0 = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^*}{n} = \frac{1.2 + .2 + 2.9 + 2.1}{4} = 1.6$$

The Fit To Measurement Data is Poor With a Constant of 1.6



***Can't blame method of least squares since we specified zeroth-order polynomial**

Check To See If We Minimized R

Using method of least squares value of 1.6

$$R = \sum_{k=1}^4 (a_0 - x_k^*)^2 = (1.6 - 1.2)^2 + (1.6 - .2)^2 + (1.6 - 2.9)^2 + (1.6 - 2.1)^2 = 4.06$$

Using a larger value of 2 yields larger R

$$R = \sum_{k=1}^4 (a_0 - x_k^*)^2 = (2 - 1.2)^2 + (2 - .2)^2 + (2 - 2.9)^2 + (2 - 2.1)^2 = 4.70$$

Using a smaller value of 1 also yields larger R

$$R = \sum_{k=1}^4 (a_0 - x_k^*)^2 = (1 - 1.2)^2 + (1 - .2)^2 + (1 - 2.9)^2 + (1 - 2.1)^2 = 5.50$$

Therefore it appears that a constant of 1.6 minimizes R

First-Order or Two-State Filter

Least Squares Method For First-Order System-1

Fit measurement data with “best” straight line

$$\hat{x} = a_0 + a_1 t$$

Or in discrete form

$$\hat{x}_k = a_0 + a_1(k-1)T_s$$

We still want to minimize residual R

$$R = \sum_{k=1}^n (\hat{x}_k - x_k^*)^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n [a_0 + a_1(k-1)T_s - x_k^*]^2$$

We can expand R

$$R = \sum_{k=1}^n [a_0 + a_1(k-1)T_s - x_k^*]^2 = (a_0 - x_1^*)^2 + (a_0 + a_1T_s - x_2^*)^2 + \dots + (a_0 + a_1(n-1)T_s - x_n^*)^2$$

Minimize R by setting derivatives to zero

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial a_0} = 0 = 2(a_0 - x_1^*) + 2(a_0 + a_1T_s - x_2^*) + \dots + 2[a_0 + a_1(n-1)T_s - x_n^*]$$

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial a_1} = 0 = 2(a_0 + a_1T_s - x_2^*)T_s + \dots + 2(n-1)T_s[a_0 + a_1(n-1)T_s - x_n^*]$$

Least Squares Method For First-Order System-2

We can simplify preceding two equations

$$na_0 + a_1 \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^*$$

$$a_0 \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s + a_1 \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^*$$

These equations can also be expressed in matrix form as

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n ((k-1)T_s)^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^* \end{bmatrix}$$

We can solve for the coefficients by matrix inversion

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Numerical Example For First-Order System

Recall

| | | | | |
|------------|-----|----|-----|-----|
| k | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| $(k-1)T_s$ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| x_k^* | 1.2 | .2 | 2.9 | 2.1 |

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Intermediate calculations

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s = 0+1+2+3=6$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^* = 1.2+.2+2.9+2.1 = 6.4$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 = 0^2+ 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 = 14$$

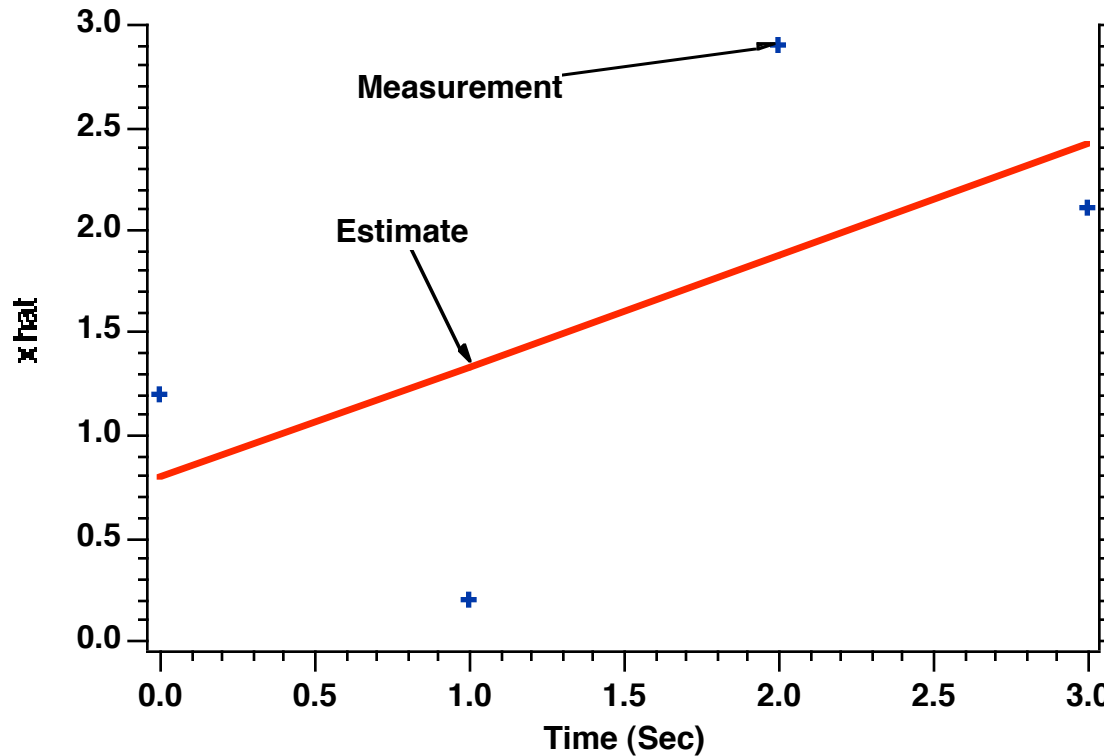
$$\sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^* = 0*1.2+1*.2+2*2.9+3*2.1=12.3$$

***Note that this is a batch processing technique since all the data must be collected before an estimate can be made**

Therefore

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 6 & 14 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 6.4 \\ 12.3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7.9 \\ .54 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \hat{x}_k = .79 + .54(k-1)T_s$$

Straight Line Fit to Data is Better Than Constant Fit



Straight line fit residual is smaller than constant fit residual

$$R = [.79+.54(0)-1.2]^2 + [.79+.54(1)-.2]^2 + [.79+.54(2)-2.9]^2 + [.79+.54(3)-2.1]^2 = 2.61$$

Second-Order Or Three-State Least Squares Filter

Least Squares Method For Second-Order System-1

Fit measurement data with “best” parabola

$$\hat{x} = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2$$

Or in discrete form

$$\hat{x}_k = a_0 + a_1(k-1)T_s + a_2[(k-1)T_s]^2$$

We still want to minimize residual R

$$R = \sum_{k=1}^n (\hat{x}_k - x_k^*)^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n [a_0 + a_1(k-1)T_s + a_2(k-1)^2 T_s^2 - x_k^*]^2$$

We can expand R

$$R = (a_0 - x_1^*)^2 + [a_0 + a_1 T_s + a_2 T_s^2 - x_2^*]^2 + \dots + [a_0 + a_1(n-1)T_s + a_2(n-1)^2 T_s^2 - x_n^*]^2$$

Minimize R by setting derivatives to zero

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial a_0} = 0 = 2(a_0 - x_1^*) + 2[a_0 + a_1 T_s + a_2 T_s^2 - x_2^*] + \dots + 2[a_0 + a_1(n-1)T_s + a_2(n-1)^2 T_s^2 - x_n^*]$$

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial a_1} = 0 = 2[a_0 + a_1 T_s + a_2 T_s^2 - x_2^*]T_s + \dots + 2[a_0 + a_1(n-1)T_s + a_2(n-1)^2 T_s^2 - x_n^*](n-1)T_s$$

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial a_2} = 0 = 2[a_0 + a_1 T_s + a_2 T_s^2 - x_2^*]T_s^2 + \dots + 2[a_0 + a_1(n-1)T_s + a_2(n-1)^2 T_s^2 - x_n^*](n-1)^2 T_s^2$$

Least Squares Method For Second-Order System-2

We can simplify preceding three equations

$$na_0 + a_1 \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s + a_2 \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^*$$

$$a_0 \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s + a_1 \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 + a_2 \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 = \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^*$$

$$a_0 \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 + a_1 \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 + a_2 \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^4 = \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 x_k^*$$

These equations can also be expressed in matrix form as

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 x_k^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Least Squares Method For Second-Order System-3

We can solve for the coefficients by matrix inversion

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 x_k^* \end{bmatrix}$$

***Note that this is a batch processing technique since all the data must be collected before an estimate can be made**

MATLAB Program to Solve For Three Coefficients

```
T(1)=0;
T(2)=1;
T(3)=2;
T(4)=3;
X(1)=1.2;
X(2)=.2;
X(3)=2.9;
X(4)=2.1;
N=4;
SUM1=0;
SUM2=0;
SUM3=0;
SUM4=0;
SUM5=0;
SUM6=0;
SUM7=0;
for I=1:4
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SUM1=SUM1+T(I);
SUM2=SUM2+T(I)*T(I);
SUM3=SUM3+X(I);
SUM4=SUM4+T(I)*X(I);
SUM5=SUM5+T(I)*T(I)*T(I);
SUM6=SUM6+T(I)*T(I)*T(I)*T(I);
SUM7=SUM7+T(I)*T(I)*X(I);
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end
A(1,1)=N;
A(1,2)=SUM1;
A(1,3)=SUM2;
A(2,1)=SUM1;
A(2,2)=SUM2;
A(2,3)=SUM5;
A(3,1)=SUM2;
A(3,2)=SUM5;
A(3,3)=SUM6;
AINV=inv(A);
B(1,1)=SUM3;
B(2,1)=SUM4;
B(3,1)=SUM7;
ANS=AINV*B
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Data

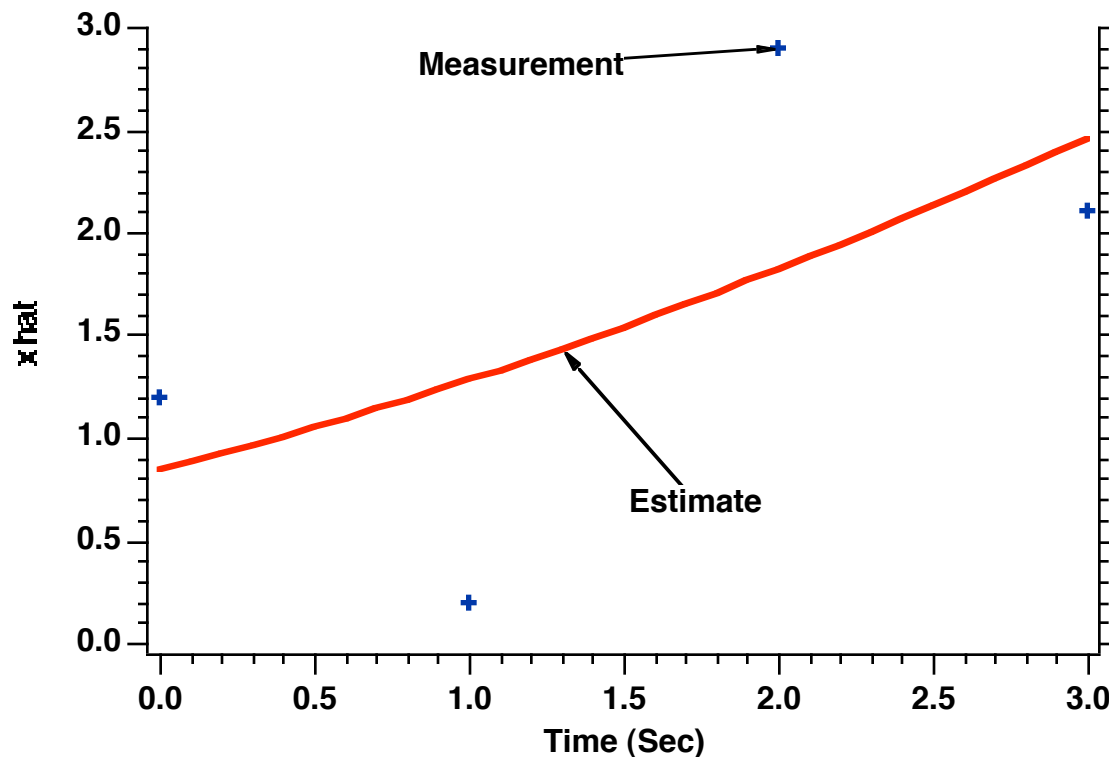
| k | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|------------|-----|----|-----|-----|
| $(k-1)T_s$ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| x_k | 1.2 | .2 | 2.9 | 2.1 |

$$\text{ANS} = \begin{bmatrix} .84 \\ .36 \\ .05 \end{bmatrix}$$

Or

$$\hat{x}_k = .84 + .39(k-1)T_s + .05[(k-1)T_s]^2$$

Parabolic Fit To Data is Pretty Good Too



Parabolic fit residual is smaller than constant or straight line fit residual

$$R = [.84+.39(0)+.05(0)-1.2]^2 + [.84+.39(1)+.05(1)-.2]^2 + [.84+.39(2)+.05(4)-2.9]^2 + [.84+.39(3)+.05(9)-2.1]^2 = 2.60$$

Least Squares Method For Third-Order System

Fit measurement data with “best” Cubic

$$\hat{x} = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_3 t^3$$

Or in discrete form

$$\hat{x}_k = a_0 + a_1(k-1)T_s + a_2[(k-1)T_s]^2 + a_3[(k-1)T_s]^3$$

We still want to minimize residual R

$$R = \sum_{k=1}^n (\hat{x}_k - x_k^*)^2$$

Using same minimization techniques as before

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^4 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^4 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^5 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^4 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^5 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^6 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 x_k^* \end{bmatrix}$$

MATLAB Program To Solve For Four Coefficients

```
T(1)=0;
T(2)=1;
T(3)=2;
T(4)=3;
X(1)=1.2;
X(2)=.2;
X(3)=2.9;
X(4)=2.1;
N=4;
SUM1=0;
SUM2=0;
SUM3=0;
SUM4=0;
SUM5=0;
SUM6=0;
SUM7=0;
SUM8=0;
SUM9=0;
SUM10=0;
for I=1:4
```

```
SUM1=SUM1+T(I);
SUM2=SUM2+T(I)*T(I);
SUM3=SUM3+X(I);
SUM4=SUM4+T(I)*X(I);
SUM5=SUM5+T(I)^3;
SUM6=SUM6+T(I)^4;
SUM7=SUM7+T(I)*T(I)*X(I);
SUM8=SUM8+T(I)^5;
SUM9=SUM9+T(I)^6;
SUM10=SUM10+T(I)*T(I)*T(I)*X(I);
```

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end
A(1,1)=N;
A(1,2)=SUM1;
A(1,3)=SUM2;
A(1,4)=SUM3;
A(2,1)=SUM1;
A(2,2)=SUM2;
A(2,3)=SUM3;
A(2,4)=SUM4;
A(3,1)=SUM2;
A(3,2)=SUM3;
A(3,3)=SUM4;
A(3,4)=SUM5;
A(4,1)=SUM3;
A(4,2)=SUM4;
A(4,3)=SUM5;
A(4,4)=SUM6;
AINV=inv(A);
B(1,1)=SUM3;
B(2,1)=SUM4;
B(3,1)=SUM5;
B(4,1)=SUM6;
ANS=AINV*B
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Data

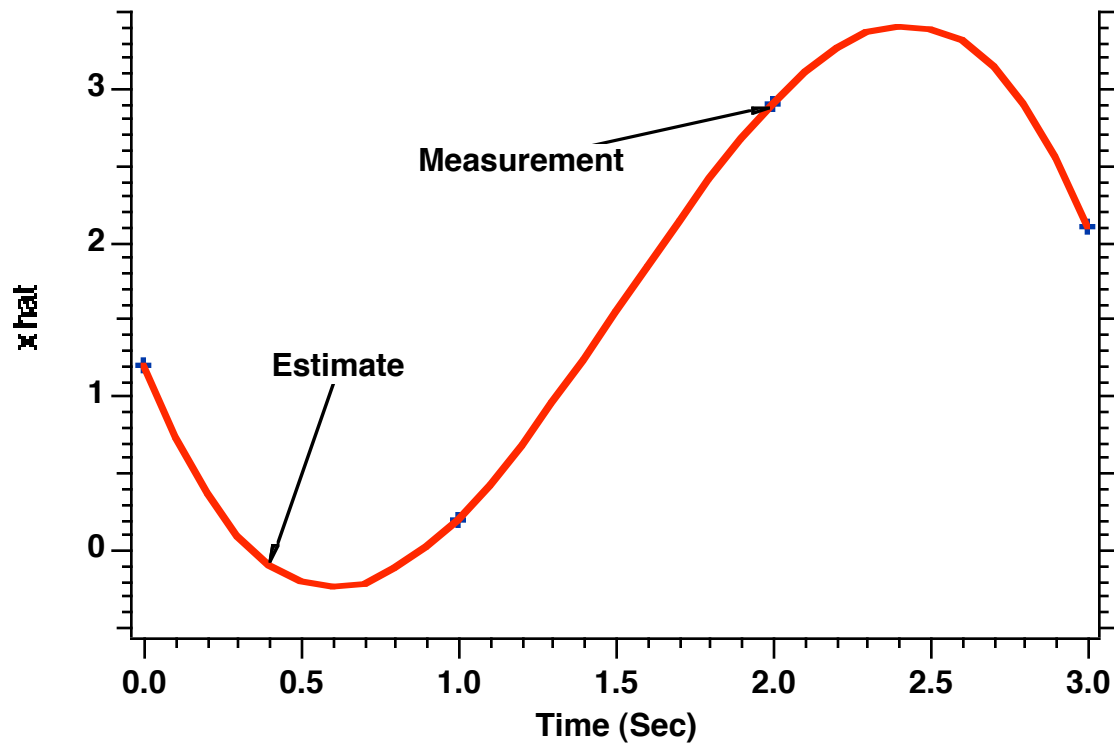
| k | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|------------|-----|----|-----|-----|
| $(k-1)T_s$ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| x_k^* | 1.2 | .2 | 2.9 | 2.1 |

$$\text{ANS} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.2 \\ -5.25 \\ 5.45 \\ -1.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Or

$$\hat{x}_k = 1.2 - 5.25(k-1)T_s + 5.45[(k-1)T_s]^2 - 1.2[(k-1)T_s]^3$$

Third-Order Fit Goes Through All Four Measurements!



Cubic fit residual is zero

$$R = [1.2 - 5.25(0) + 5.45(0) - 1.2(0) - 1.2]^2 + [1.2 - 5.25(1) + 5.45(1) - 1.2(1) - .2]^2 \\ + [1.2 - 5.25(2) + 5.45(4) - 1.2(8) - 2.9]^2 + [1.2 - 5.25(3) + 5.45(9) - 1.2(27) - 2.1]^2 = 0$$

For Least Squares Fit We Don't Want To Always Minimize Residual

Cases considered

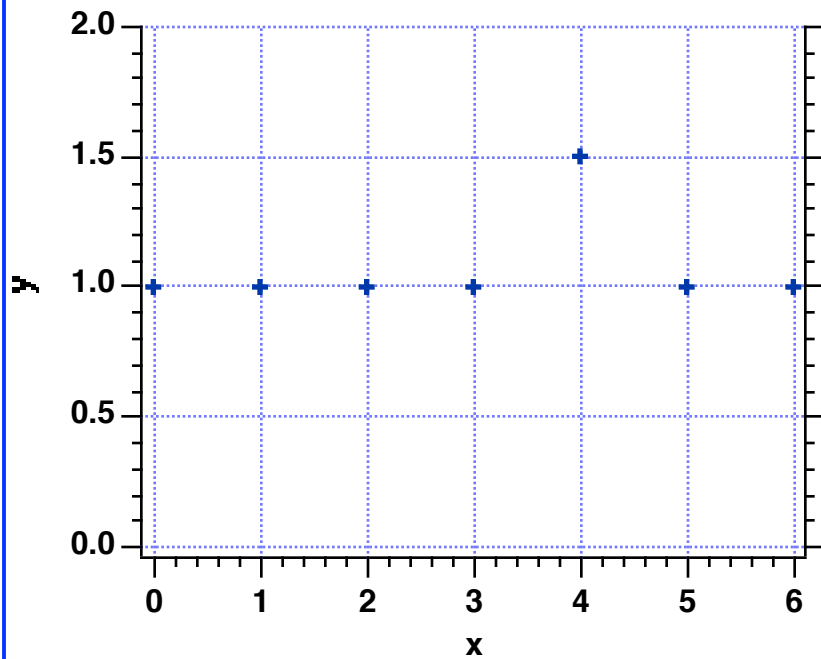
| System Order | R |
|--------------|------|
| 0 | 4.06 |
| 1 | 2.61 |
| 2 | 2.60 |
| 3 | 0 |

← Estimate passes through all measurements

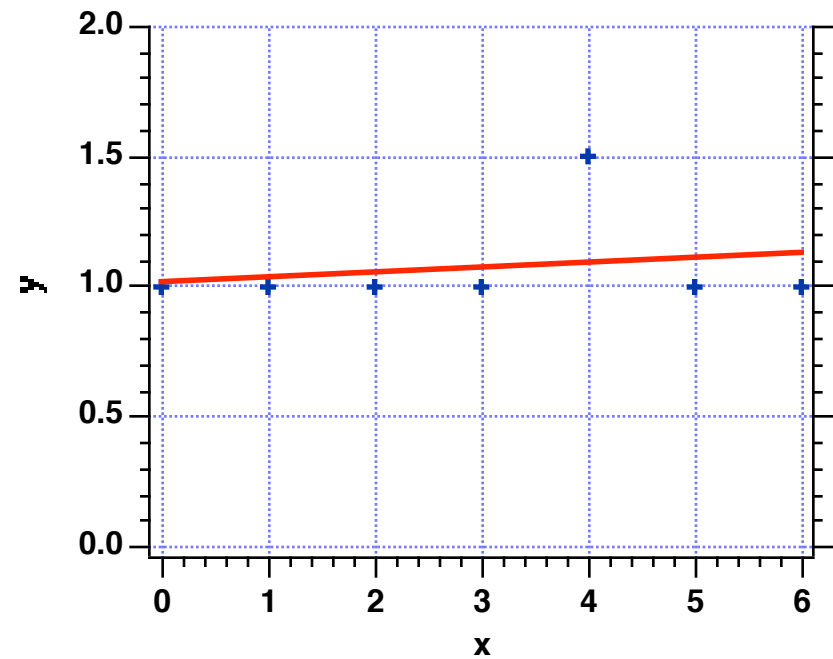
- The residual is the difference between estimate and measurement
- Making the residual zero simply means that we pass polynomial through all the measurements
 - This will be bad when we consider noisy measurements

Another Example of Fitting Data With Various Order Polynomials-1

Data

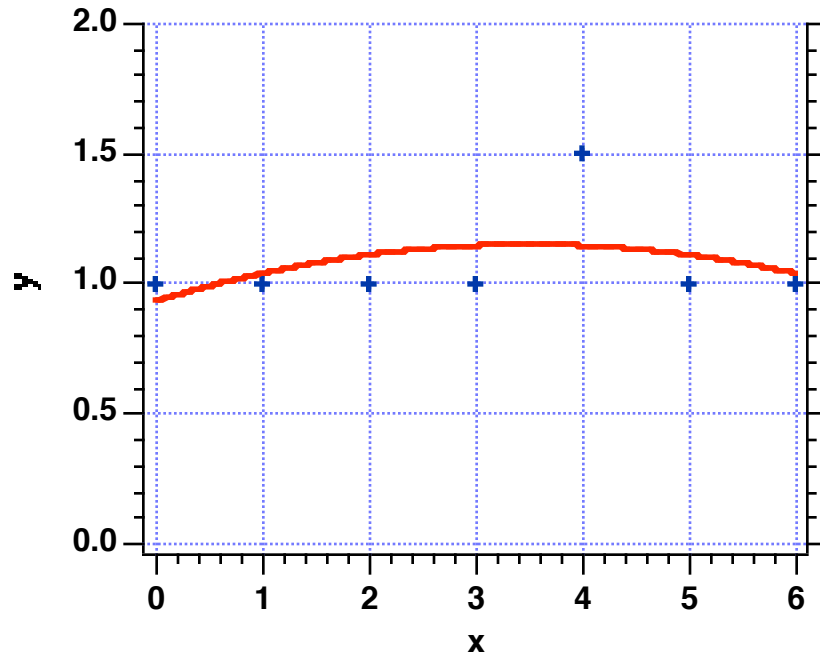


First-Order

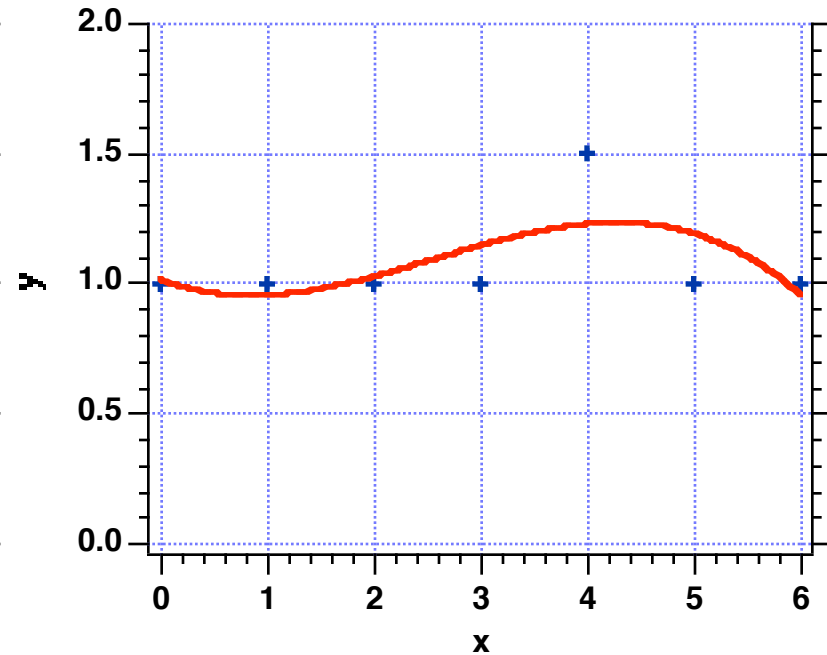


Another Example of Fitting Data With Various Order Polynomials -2

Second-Order

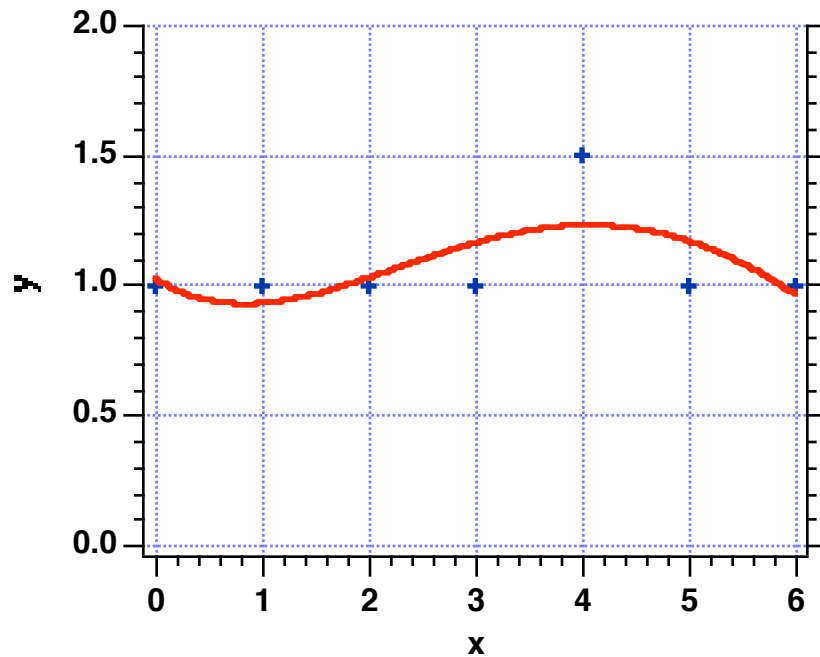


Third-Order

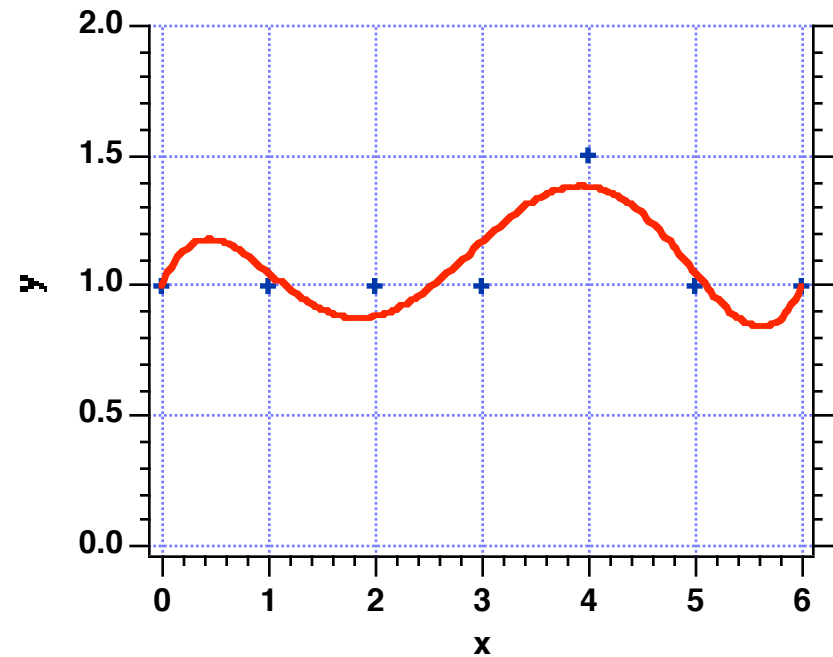


Another Example of Fitting Data With Various Order Polynomials -3

Fourth-Order

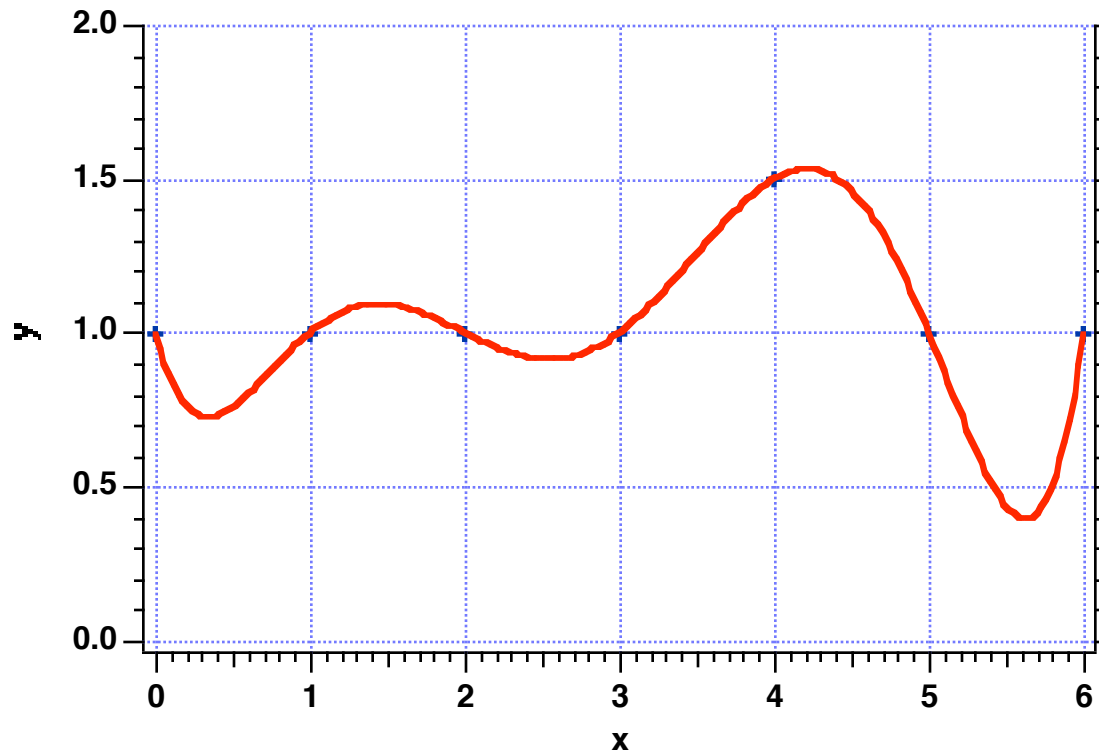


Fifth-Order



Another Example of Fitting Data With Various Order Polynomials -4

Sixth-Order



Experiments With Zeroth-Order or One-State Least Squares Filter

$$x_k^* = \text{Signal} + \text{Noise}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^*}{n}$$

$$\hat{x}_k = a_0$$

Measurements considered

$$\begin{array}{l} x^* = 1 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1 \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} x^* = 1 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1 \end{array}} \right\} \text{Zeroth-order signal}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5 \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5 \end{array}} \right\} \text{First-order signal}$$

FORTRAN Program For Conducting Experiments With Zeroth-Order Least Squares Filter

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GLOBAL DEFINE
      INCLUDE 'quickdraw.inc'
END
IMPLICIT REAL* 8 (A-H)
IMPLICIT REAL* 8 (O-Z)
REAL* 8 A(1,1),AINV(1,1),B(1,1),ANS(1,1),X(101),X1(101)
OPEN(1,STATUS='UNKNOWN',FILE='DATFIL')
SIGNOISE=1. ← Measurement noise
              standard deviation
N=0
TS=.1
SUM3=0.
SUMPZ1=0.
SUMPZ2=0.
DO 10 T=0.,10.,TS
      N=N+1
      CALL GAUSS(XNOISE,SIGNOISE) ← Actual signal
      X1(N)=1 ←
      X(N)=X1(N)+XNOISE ← Measurement
      SUM3=SUM3+X(N)
      NMAX=N
10 CONTINUE
      A(1,1)=N
      B(1,1)=SUM3
      AINV(1,1)=1./A(1,1)
      ANS(1,1)=AINV(1,1)*B(1,1)
      DO 11 I=1,NMAX
          T=.1*(I-1)
          XHAT=ANS(1,1)
          ERRX=X1(I)-XHAT
          ERRXP=X(I)-XHAT
          ERRX2=(X1(I)-XHAT)**2
          ERRXP2=(X(I)-XHAT)**2
          SUMPZ1=ERRX2+SUMPZ1
          SUMPZ2=ERRXP2+SUMPZ2
          WRITE(9,*)T,X1(I),X(I),XHAT,ERRX,ERRXP,SUMPZ1,SUMPZ2
          WRITE(1,*)T,X1(I),X(I),XHAT,ERRX,ERRXP,SUMPZ1,SUMPZ2
11 CONTINUE
      CLOSE(1)
      PAUSE
      END

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**Measurement noise
standard deviation**

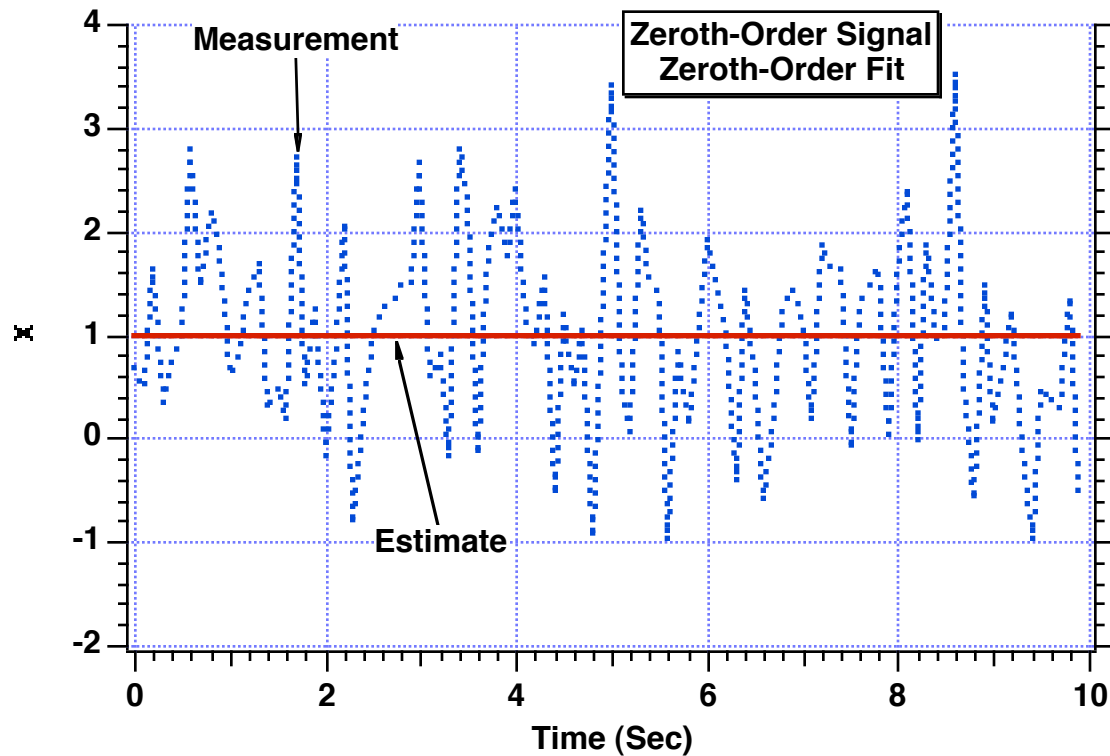
Actual signal

Measurement

Zeroth-order filter

Error computation

Zeroth-Order Filter Smooths Noisy Measurements

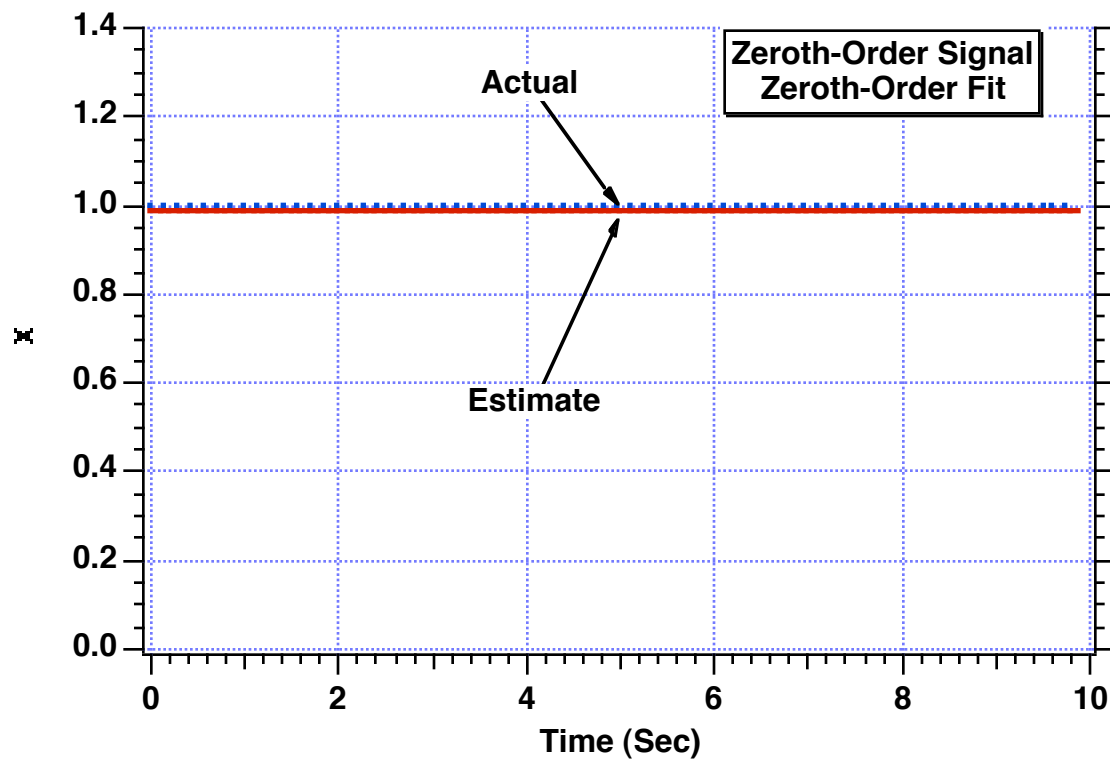


Measurement

$$x^* = 1 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1$$

Zeroth-Order Filter Yields Near Perfect Estimates of Constant Signal

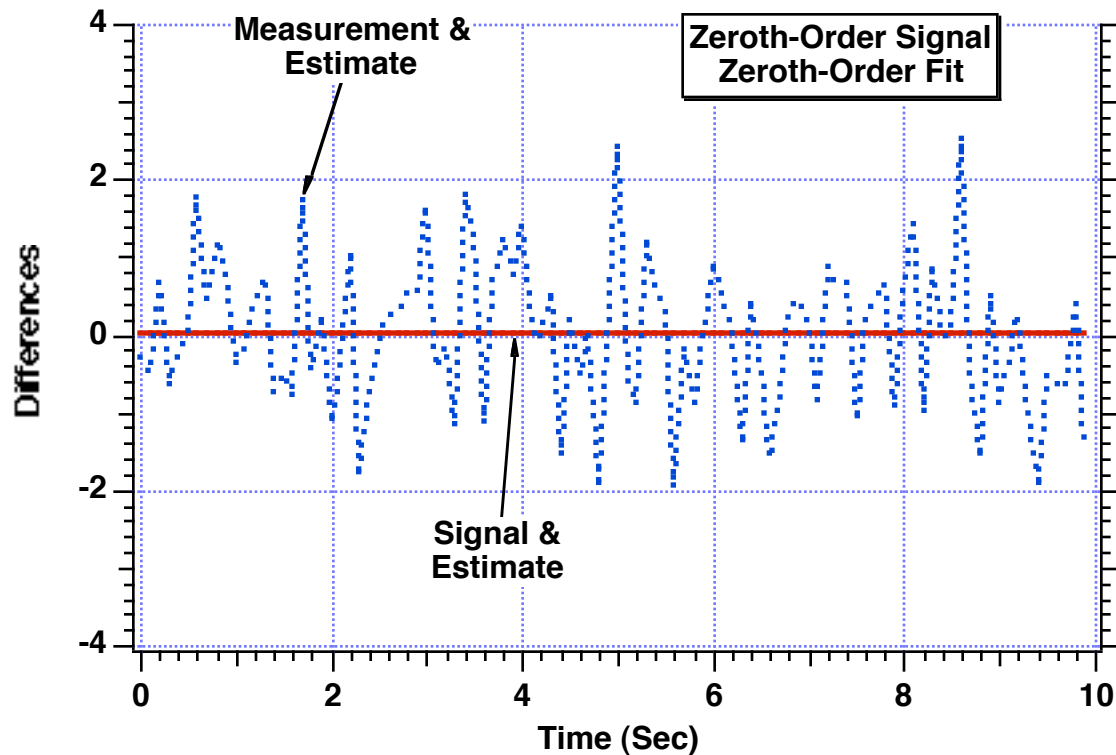


Measurement

$$x^* = 1 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1$$

Estimation Errors Are Nearly Zero For Zeroth-Order Least Squares Filter



$$\sum (\text{Signal} - \text{Estimate})^2 = .01507$$

$$\sum (\text{Measurement} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 91.92$$

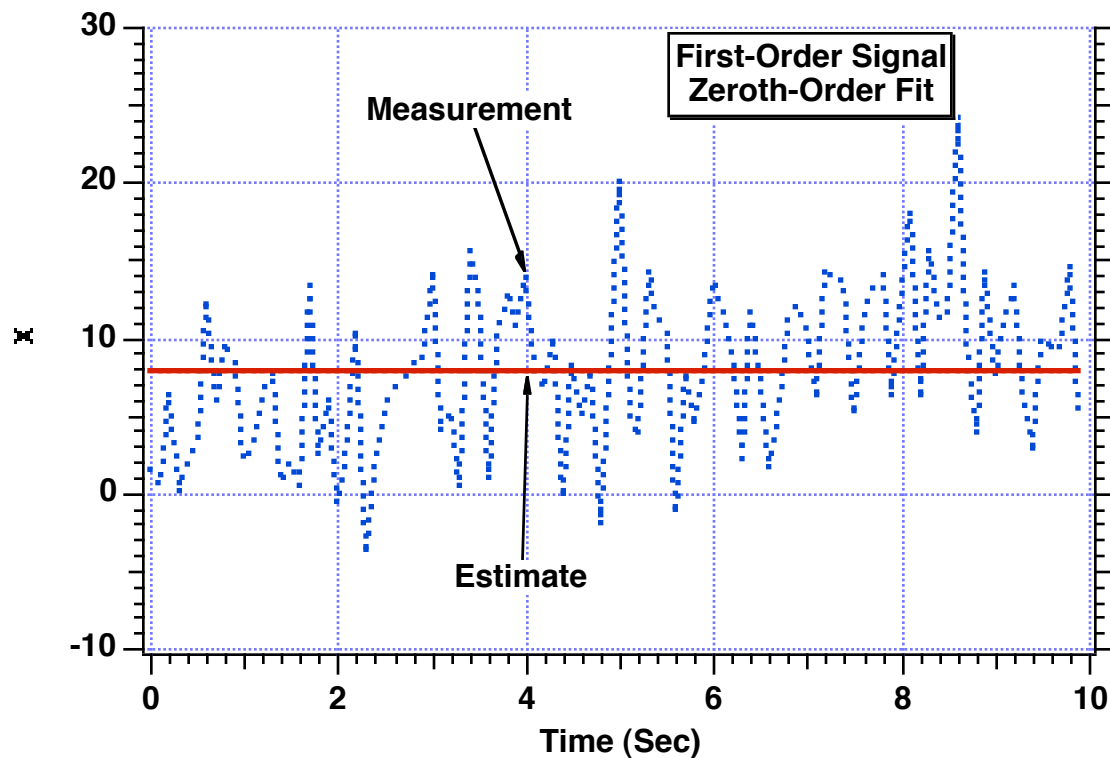
Increasing Order of Signal and Changing Noise Standard Deviation

Measurement

$$x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5$$

Zeroth-Order Least Squares Filter Does Not Capture Upward Trend of Measurement Data

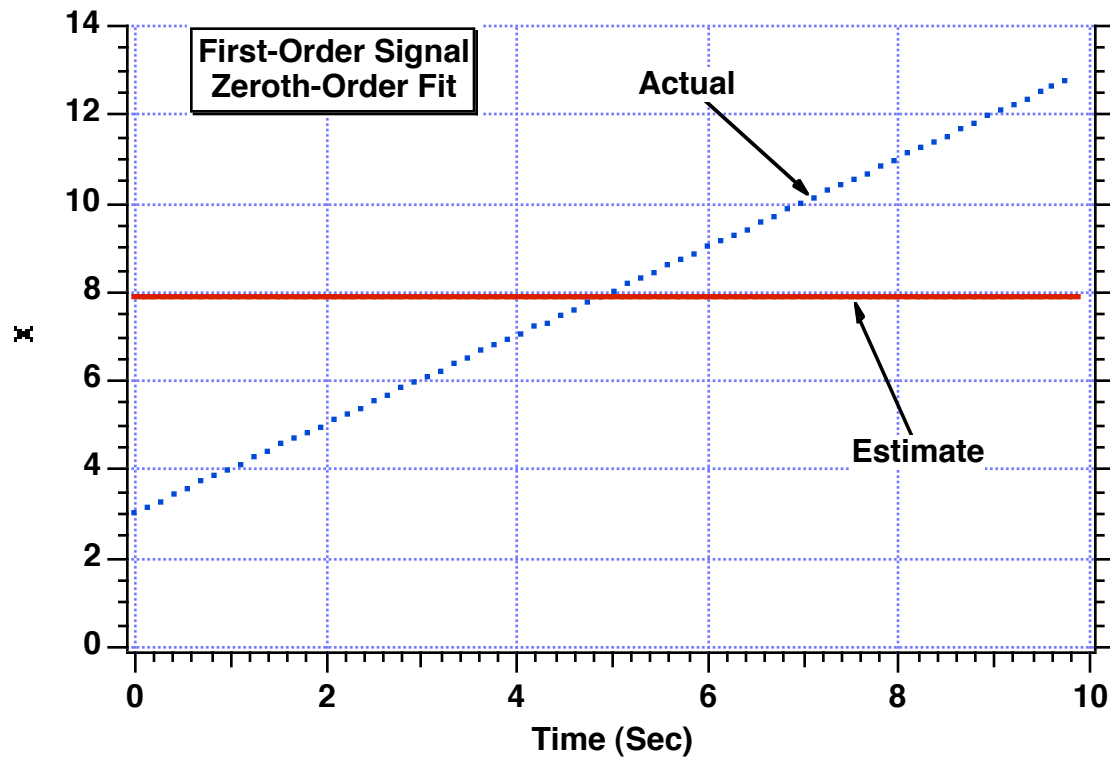


Measurement

$$x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5$$

Zeroth-Order Least Squares Filter Can Not Estimate Slope of Signal

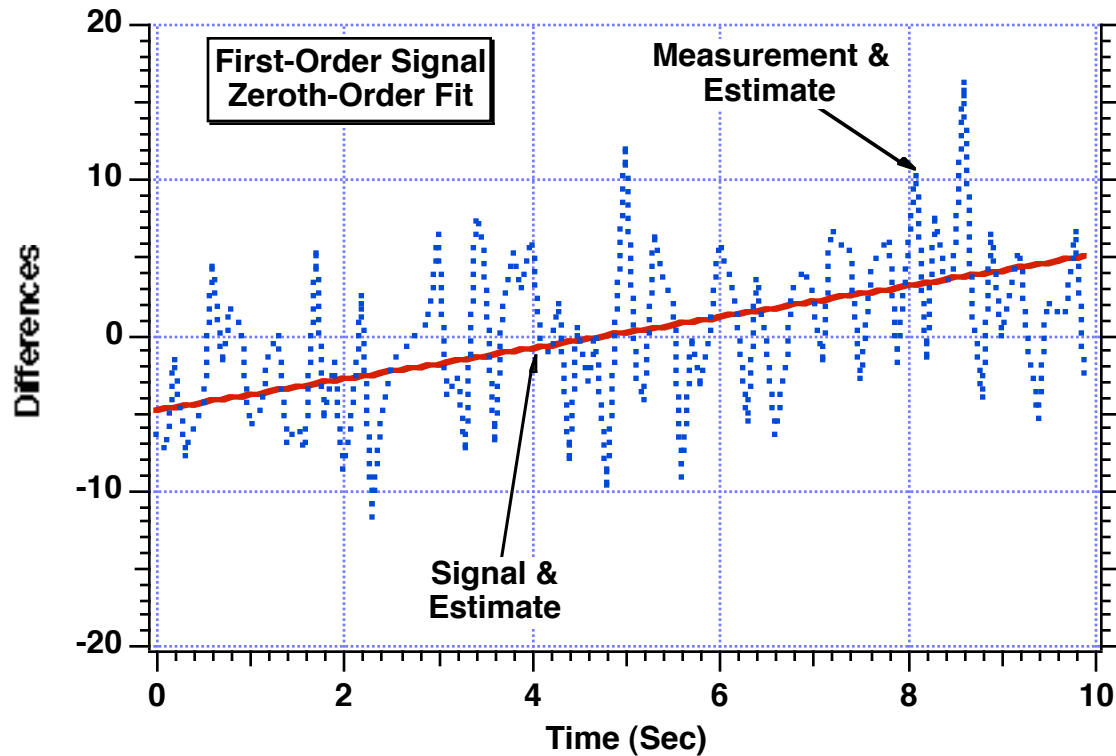


Measurement

$$x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5$$

Errors in Estimate of Signal Grow With Time



$$\sum (\text{Signal} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 834$$
$$\sum (\text{Measurement} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 2736$$

→ **Larger values indicate filter is diverging**

Experiments With First-Order or Two-State Least Squares Filter

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^* \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{x}_k = a_0 + a_1(k-1)T_s$$

$$\hat{\dot{x}}_k = a_1$$

Measurements considered

$$\begin{array}{l} x^* = 1 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1 \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} x^* = 1 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1 \end{array}} \right\} \text{Zeroth-order signal}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5 \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5 \end{array}} \right\} \text{First-order signal}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x^* = 5t^2 - 2t + 2 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 50 \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} x^* = 5t^2 - 2t + 2 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 50 \end{array}} \right\} \text{Second-order signal}$$

MATLAB Code For Conducting Experiments With First-Order Least Squares Filter

```
SIGNOISE=1.;
N=0;
TS=.1;
SUM1=0;
SUM2=0;
SUM3=0;
SUM4=0.;
SUMPZ1=0.;
SUMPZ2=0.;
count=0;
for T=0:TS:10
```

← Measurement noise standard deviation

```
N=N+1;
XNOISE=SIGNOISE*randn;
X1(N)=1;
XD(N)=0.;
X(N)=X1(N)+XNOISE;
SUM1=SUM1+T;
SUM2=SUM2+T*T;
SUM3=SUM3+X(N);
SUM4=SUM4+T*X(N);
NMAX=N;
```

← Actual signal

← Measurement

```
end
A(1,1)=N;
A(1,2)=SUM1;
A(2,1)=SUM1;
A(2,2)=SUM2;
B(1,1)=SUM3;
B(2,1)=SUM4;
AINV=inv(A);
ANS=AINV*B;
for I=1:NMAX
```

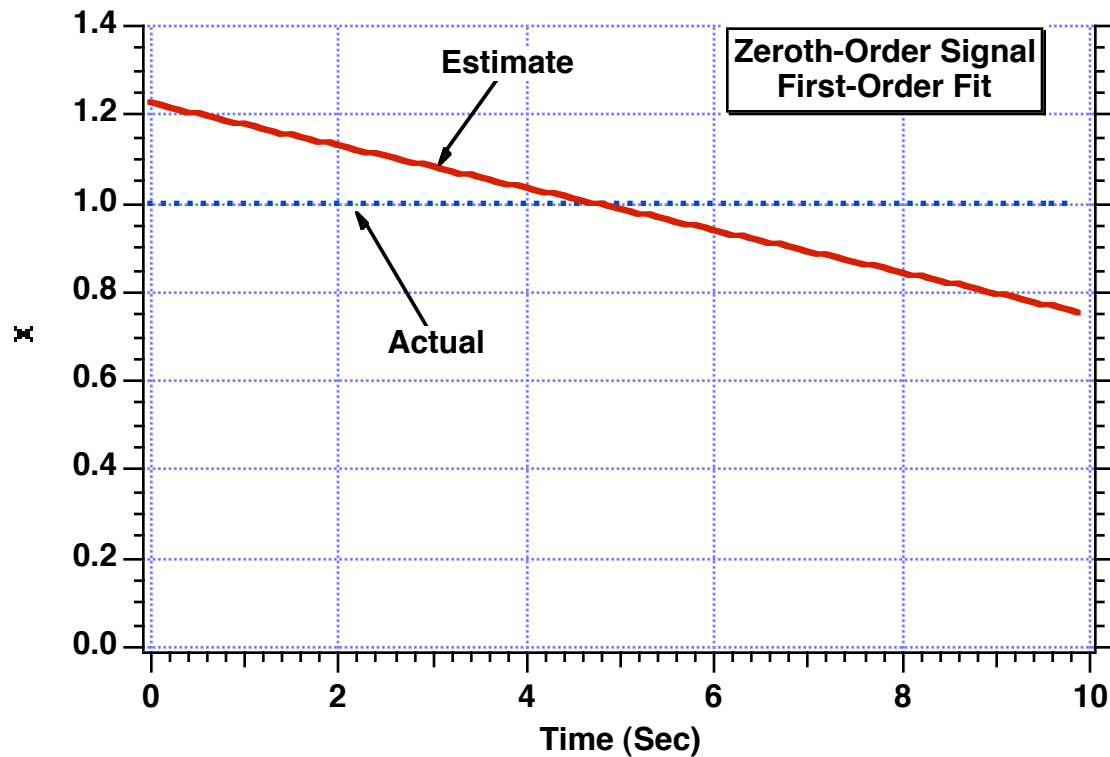
← First-order filter

```
T=.1*(I-1);
XHAT=ANS(1,1)+ANS(2,1)*T;
XDHAT=ANS(2,1);
ERRX=X1(I)-XHAT;
ERRXD=XD(I)-XDHAT;
ERRXP=X(I)-XHAT;
ERRX2=(X1(I)-XHAT)^2;
ERRXP2=(X(I)-XHAT)^2;
SUMPZ1=ERRX2+SUMPZ1;
SUMPZ2=ERRXP2+SUMPZ2;
count=count+1;
ArrayT(count)=T;
ArrayA(count)=X1(I);
ArrayB(count)=X(I);
ArrayXHAT(count)=XHAT;
ArrayERRX(count)=ERRX;
ArrayERRXD(count)=ERRXD;
ArraySUMPZ1(count)=SUMPZ1;
ArraySUMPZ2(count)=SUMPZ2;
```

← Errors

```
end
clc
output=[ArrayT', ArrayA', ArrayB', ArrayXHAT', ArrayERRX', ArrayERRXD', ArraySUMPZ1', ArraySUMPZ2'];
save data1 output -ascii
disp 'simulation finished'
```

First-Order Filter Has Trouble in Estimating Zeroth-Order Signal

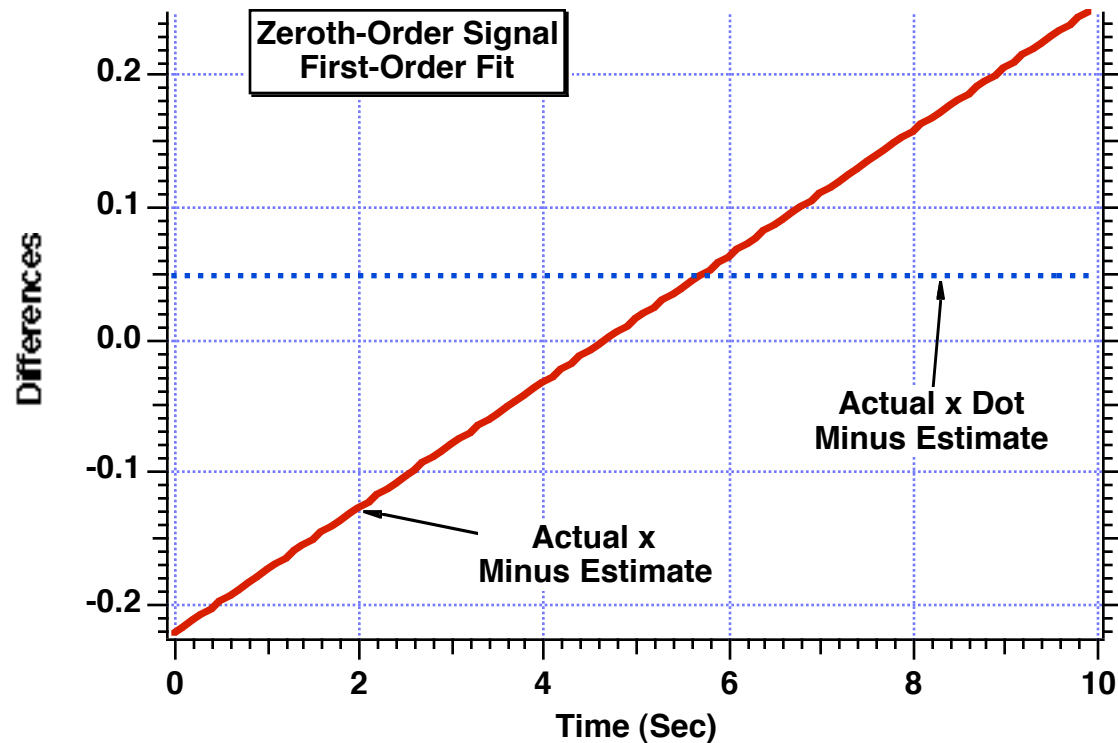


Measurement

$$x^* = 1 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1$$

Errors in Estimate of Signal and It's Derivative Are Not Too Large



$$\sum (\text{Signal} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 1.895$$

$$\sum (\text{Measurement} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 90.04$$

**Performing worse than
zeroth-order filter**

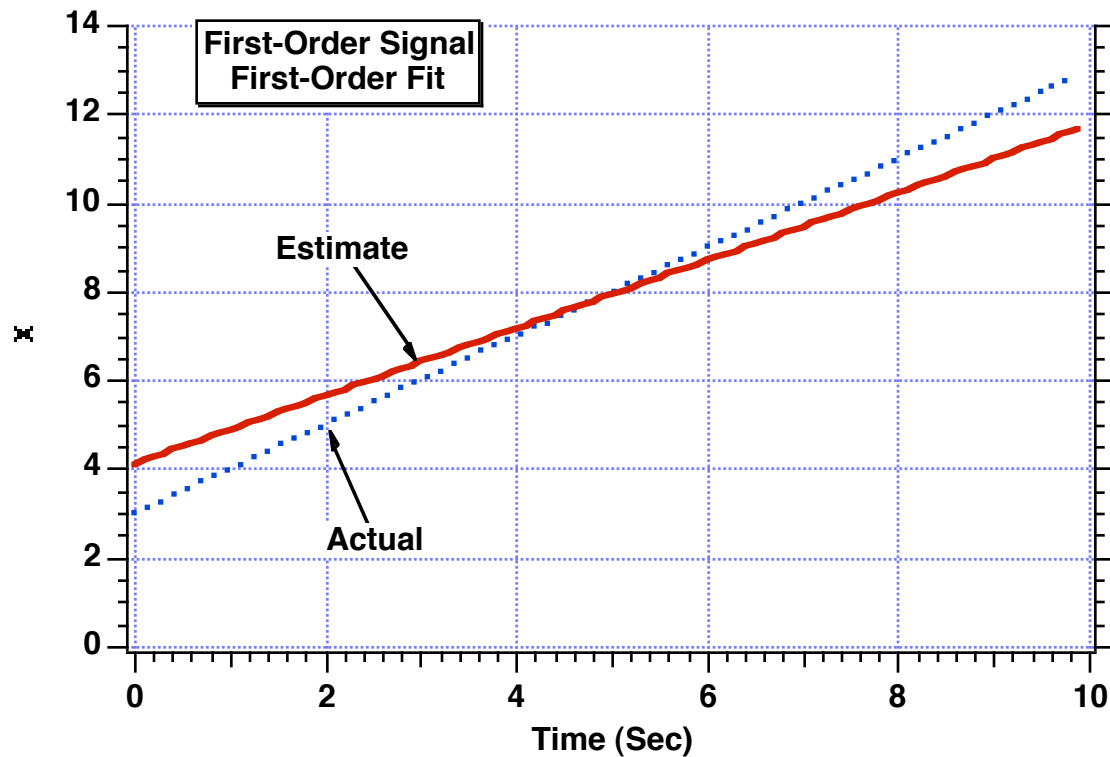
Increasing Order of Signal and Changing Noise Standard Deviation

Measurement

$$x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5$$

First-Order Filter Does Much Better Job in Estimating First-Order Signal Than Zeroth-Order Filter

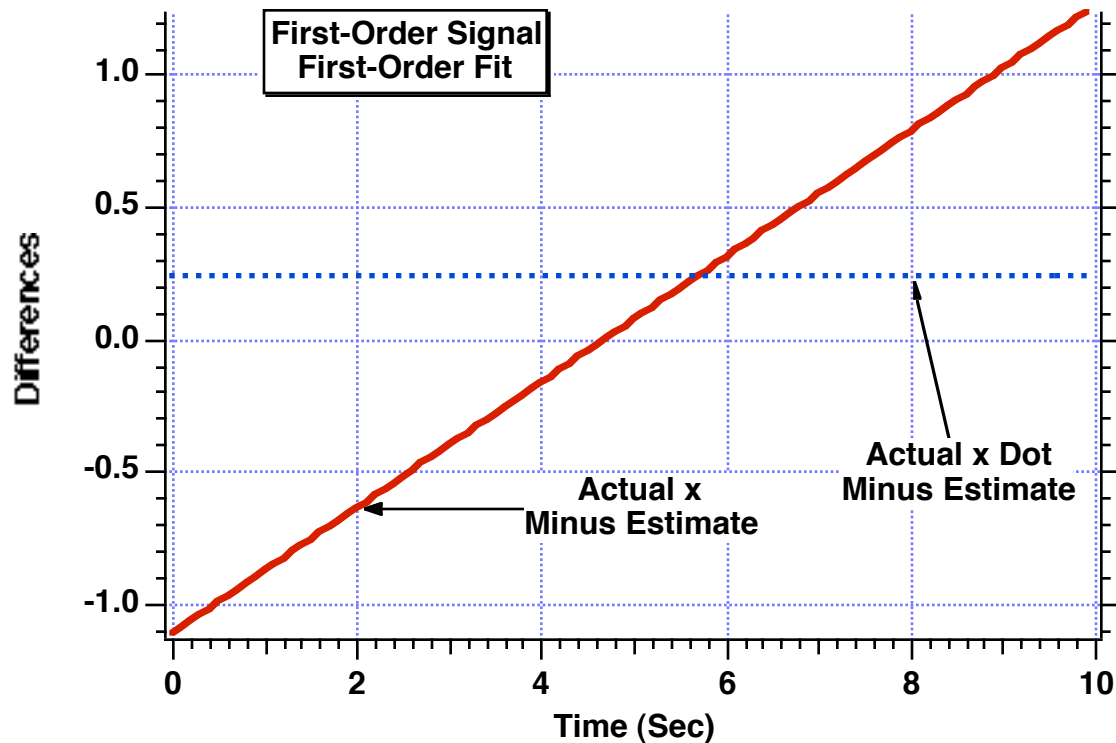


Measurement

$$x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5$$

First-Order Filter is Able To Estimate Derivative of First-Order Signal Accurately



$\sum (\text{Signal} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 47.38$ ← **Much better than zeroth-order filter**

$\sum (\text{Measurement} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 2251$

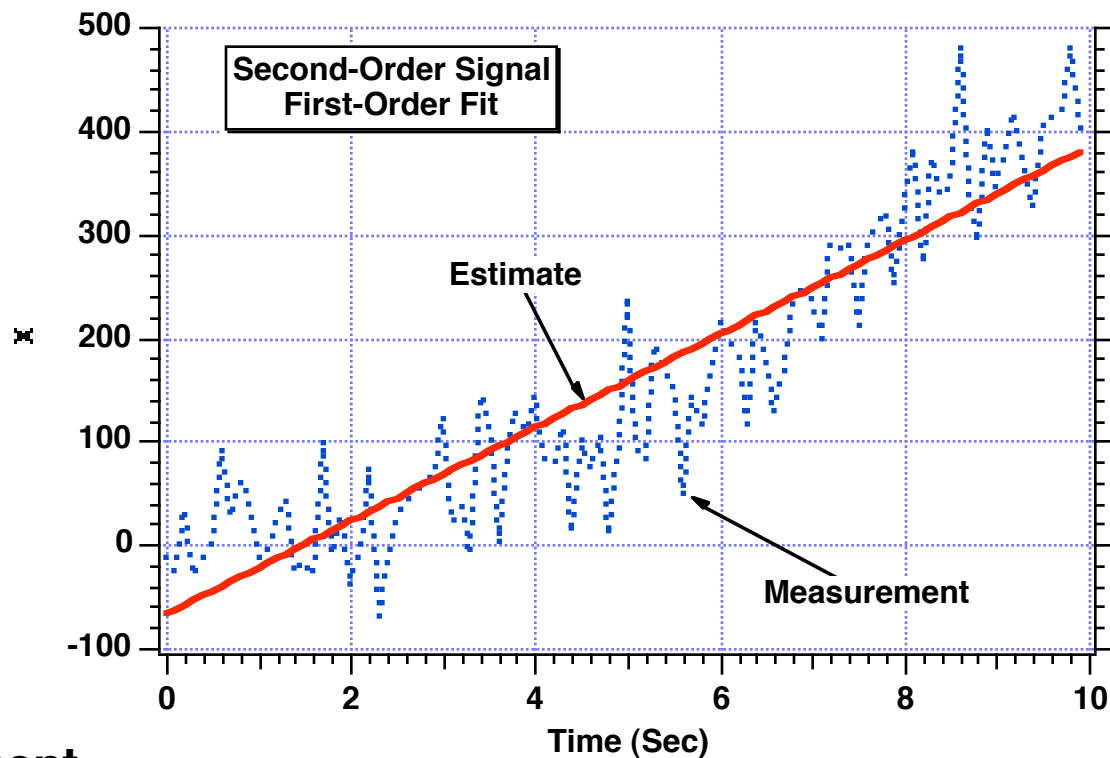
Increasing Order of Signal and Changing Noise Standard Deviation

Measurement

$$x^* = 5t^2 - 2t + 2 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 50$$

First-Order Filter Attempts to Track Second-Order Measurements

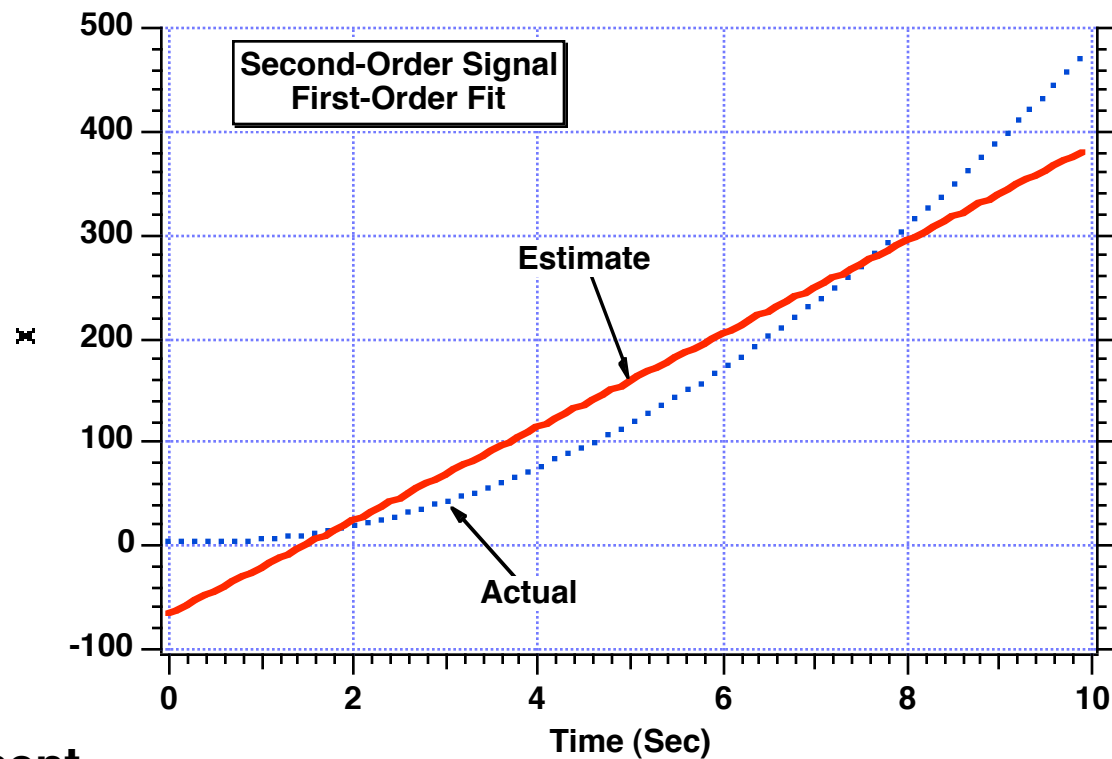


Measurement

$$x^* = 5t^2 - 2t + 2 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 50$$

On the Average First-Order Filter Estimates Second-Order Signal

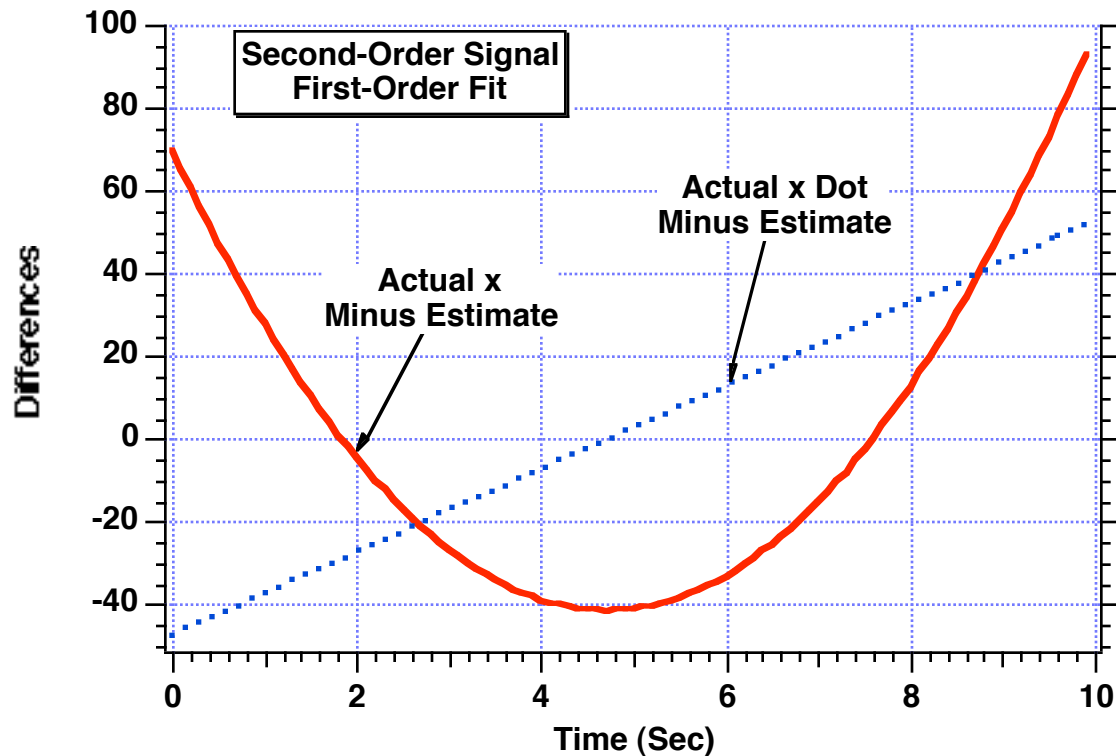


Measurement

$$x^* = 5t^2 - 2t + 2 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 50$$

Large Estimation Errors Result When First-Order Filter Attempts to Track Second-Order Signal



$$\sum (\text{Signal} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 143557$$

$$\sum (\text{Measurement} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 331960$$

→ **Larger Values Indicate Filter Is Diverging**

Experiments With Second-Order or Three-State Least Squares Filter

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^3 & \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (k-1)T_s x_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n [(k-1)T_s]^2 x_k^* \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{x}_k = a_0 + a_1(k-1)T_s + a_2[(k-1)T_s]^2$$

$$\hat{\dot{x}}_k = a_1 + 2a_2(k-1)T_s$$

$$\hat{\ddot{x}}_k = 2a_2$$

Measurements considered

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x^* = 1 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1 \end{array} \right\} \text{Zeroth-order signal}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 5 \end{array} \right\} \text{First-order signal}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x^* = 5t^2 - 2t + 2 + \text{noise} \\ \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 50 \end{array} \right\} \text{Second-order signal}$$

MATLAB Code For Conducting Experiments With Second-Order Least Squares Filter - 1

```
SIGNOISE=1.;
TS=1;
N=0;
SUM1=0.;
SUM2=0.;
SUM3=0.;
SUM4=0.;
SUM5=0.;
SUM6=0.;
SUM7=0.;
SUMPZ1=0.;
SUMPZ2=0.;
count=0;
for T=0:TS:10
```

← Measurement noise standard deviation

```
N=N+1;
XNOISE=SIGNOISE*randn;
X1(N)=1.;
XD(N)=0.;
XDD(N)=0.;
X(N)=X1(N)+XNOISE;
SUM1=SUM1+T;
SUM2=SUM2+T*T;
SUM3=SUM3+X(N);
SUM4=SUM4+T*X(N);
SUM5=SUM5+T^3;
SUM6=SUM6+T^4;
SUM7=SUM7+T*T*X(N);
NMAX=N;
```

← Signal

← Measurement

```
end
A(1,1)=N;
A(1,2)=SUM1;
A(1,3)=SUM2;
A(2,1)=SUM1;
A(2,2)=SUM2;
A(2,3)=SUM5;
A(3,1)=SUM2;
A(3,2)=SUM5;
A(3,3)=SUM6;
B(1,1)=SUM3;
B(2,1)=SUM4;
B(3,1)=SUM7;
AINV=inv(A);
ANS=AINV*B;
```

← Solving for second-order filter coefficients

MATLAB Code For Conducting Experiments With Second-Order Least Squares Filter - 2

```
for I=1:NMAX
```

```

T=, 1*(I-1);
XHAT=ANS(1,1)+ANS(2,1)*T+ANS(3,1)*T*T;
XDHAT=ANS(2,1)+2.*ANS(3,1)*T;
XDDHAT=2.*ANS(3,1);
ERRX=X1(I)-XHAT;
ERRXD=XD(I)-XDHAT;
ERRXDD=XDD(I)-XDDHAT;
ERRXP=X(I)-XHAT;
ERRX2=(X(I)-XHAT)^2;
ERRXP2=(X(I)-XHAT)^2;
SUMPZ1=ERRX2+SUMPZ1;
SUMPZ2=ERRXP2+SUMPZ2;
count=count+1;
ArrayT(count)=T;
ArrayA(count)=X1(I);
ArrayB(count)=X(I);
ArrayXHAT(count)=XHAT;
ArrayERRX(count)=ERRX;
ArrayERRXD(count)=ERRXD;
ArrayERRXDD(count)=ERRXDD;
ArraySUMPZ1(count)=SUMPZ1;
ArraySUMPZ2(count)=SUMPZ2;

```

State estimates

Errors

```
end
```

```
figure
```

```
plot(ArrayT, ArrayA, ArrayT, ArrayXHAT), grid
```

```
xlabel('Time (Sec)')
```

```
ylabel('Estimates and Actual')
```

```
axis([0 10 0 1.4])
```

```
figure
```

```
plot(ArrayT, ArrayERRX, ArrayT, ArrayERRXD, ArrayT, ArrayERRXDD), grid
```

```
xlabel('Time (Sec)')
```

```
ylabel('Differences')
```

```
axis([0 10 -.2 .5])
```

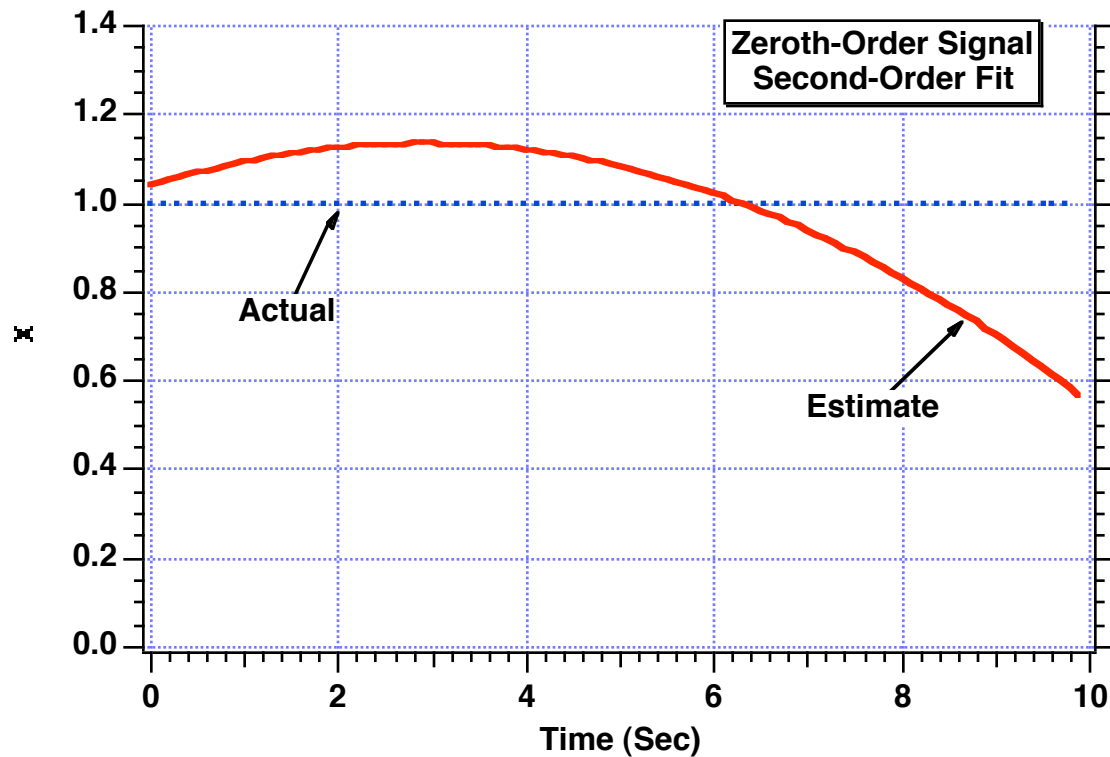
```
clc
```

```
output=[ArrayT', ArrayA', ArrayB', ArrayXHAT', ArrayERRX', ArrayERRXD', ArrayERRXDD', ArraySUMPZ1', ArraySUMPZ2'];
```

```
save datfil output -ascii
```

```
disp 'simulation finished'
```

Second-Order Filter Estimates Signal is Parabola Even Though it is a Constant

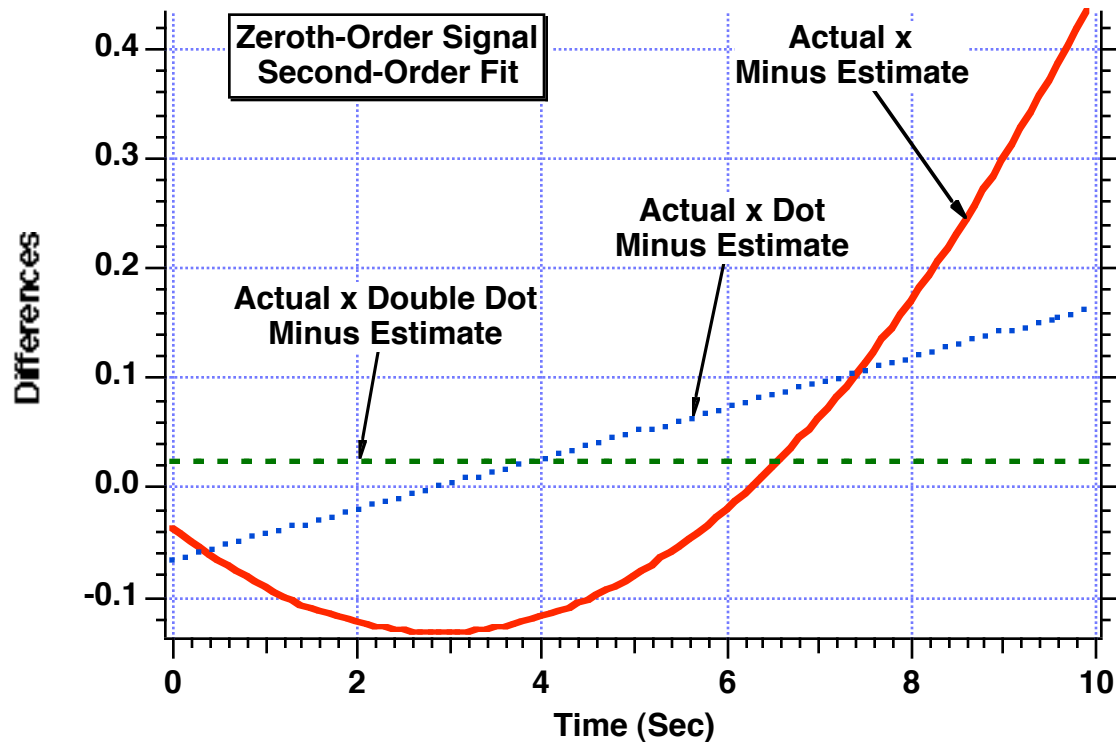


Measurement

$$x^* = 1 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1$$

Estimation Errors Between Estimates and States of Signal Are Not Terrible When Order of Filter is Too High



$\sum (\text{Signal} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 2.63$ ← **Larger than zeroth and first-order filters**

$\sum (\text{Measurement} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 89.3$ ← **Smaller than zeroth and first-order filters**

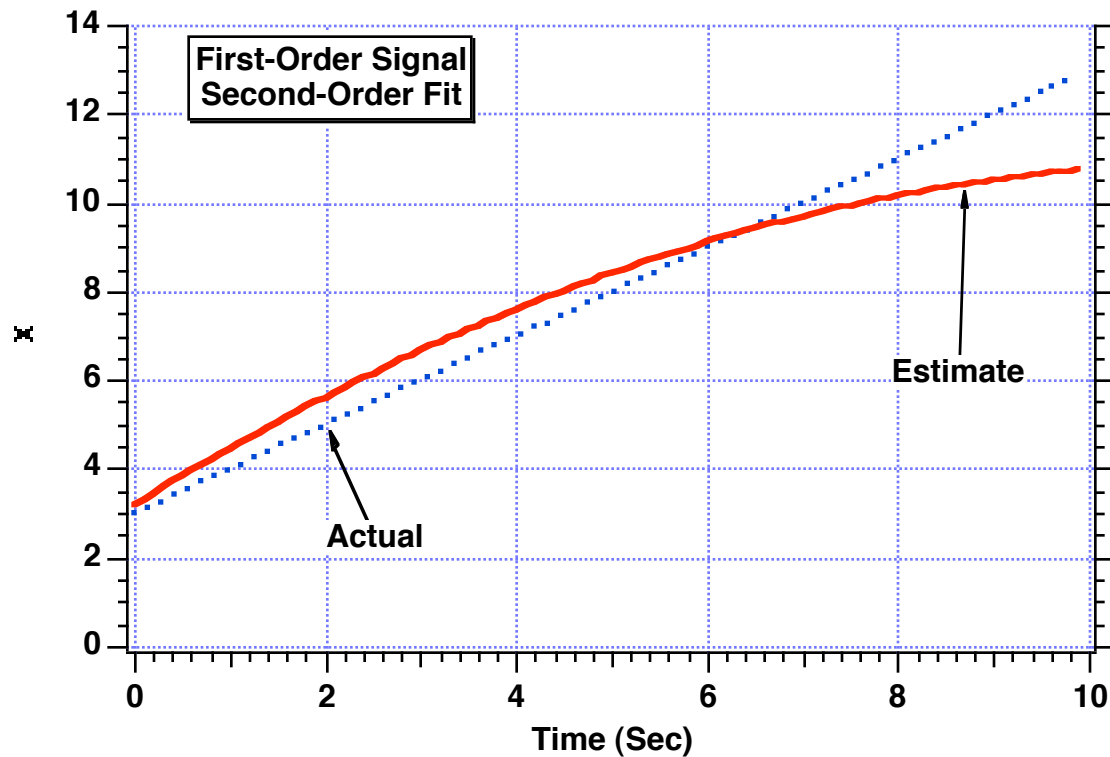
Increasing Order of Signal and Changing Noise Standard Deviation

Measurement

$$x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1$$

Second-Order Filter Attempts to Fit First-Order Signal With a Parabola

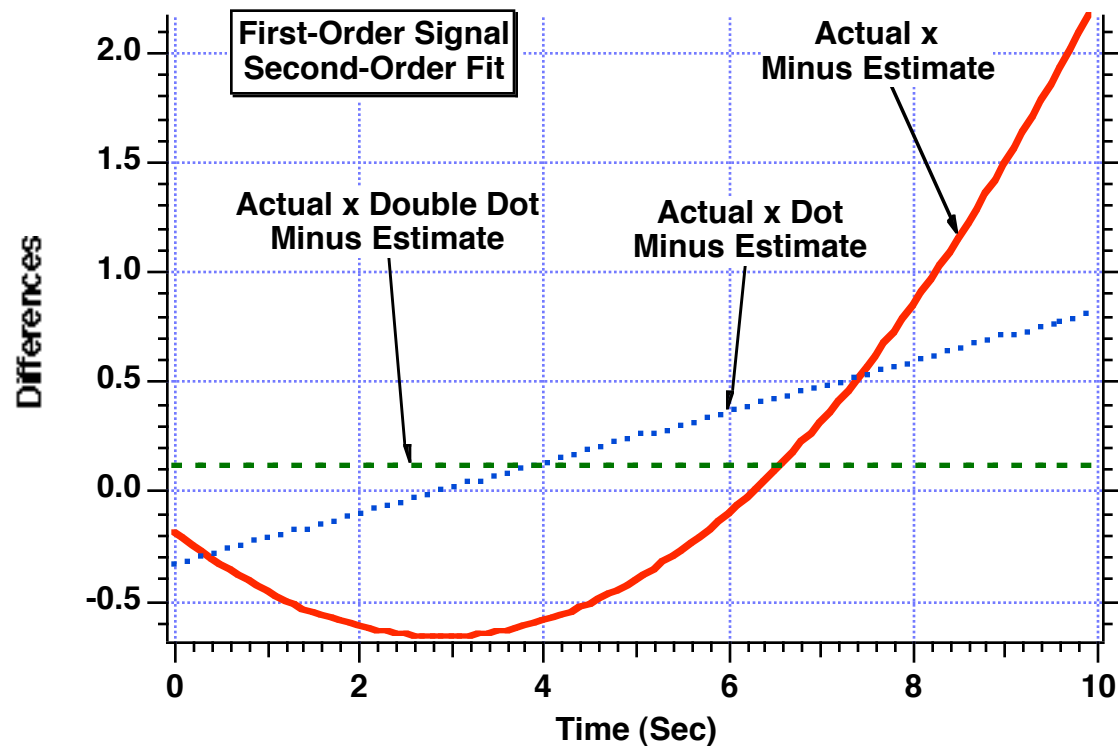


Measurement

$$x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1$$

Second-Order Fit to First-Order Signal Yields Larger Errors Than First-Order Fit



$\sum (\text{Signal} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 65.8$ ← **Larger than first-order filter**

$\sum (\text{Measurement} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 2232$ ← **Smaller than first-order filter**

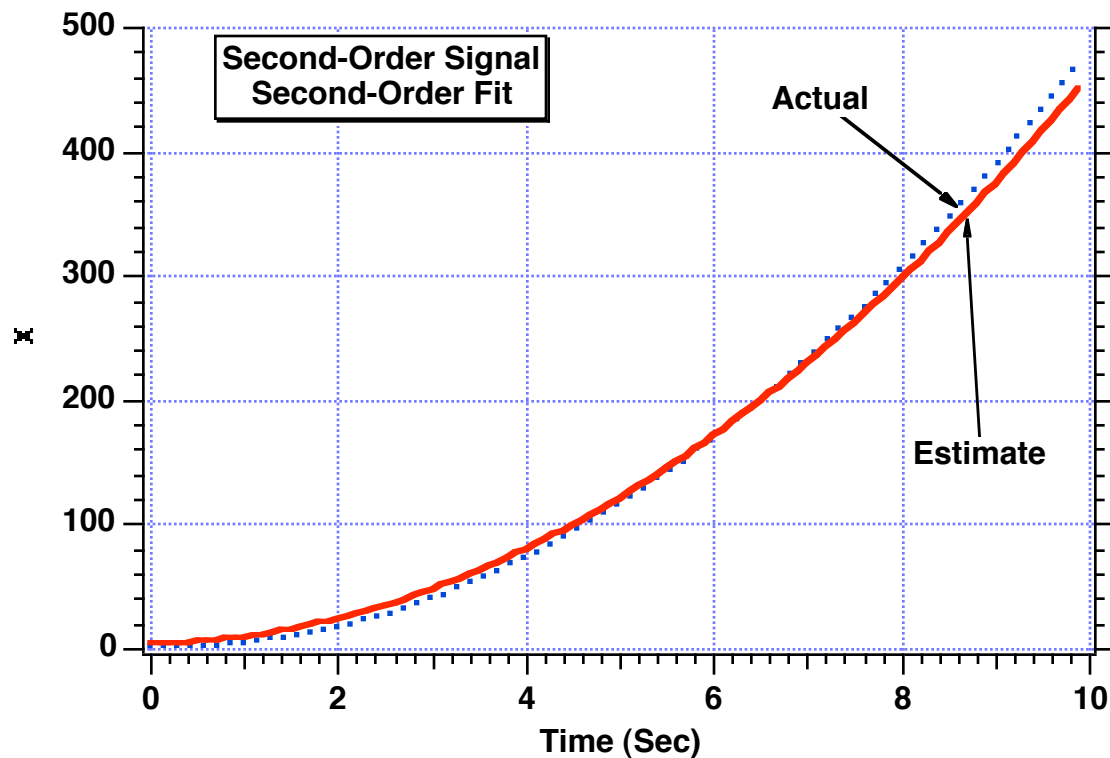
Increasing Order of Signal and Changing Noise Standard Deviation

Measurement

$$x^* = 5t^2 - 2t + 2 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 50$$

Second-Order Filter Provides Near Perfect Estimates of Second-Order Signal

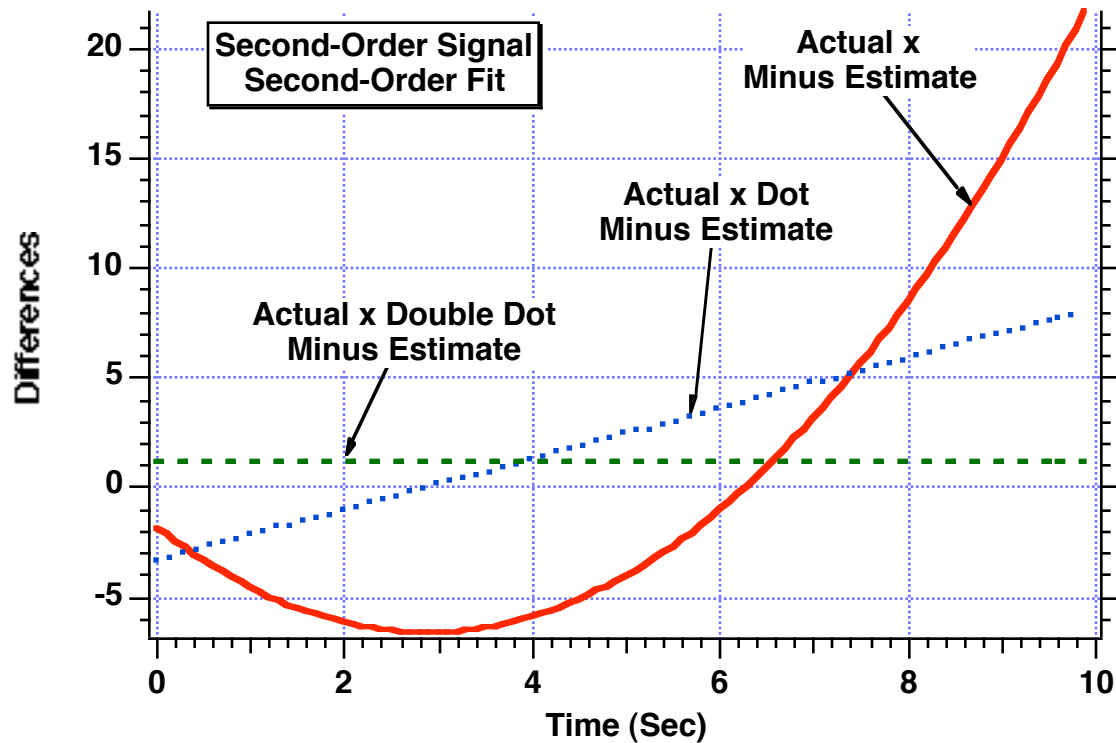


Measurement

$$x^* = 5t^2 - 2t + 2 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 50$$

The Error in the Estimates of All States of Second-Order Filter Against Second-Order Signal are Better Than All Other Filter Fits



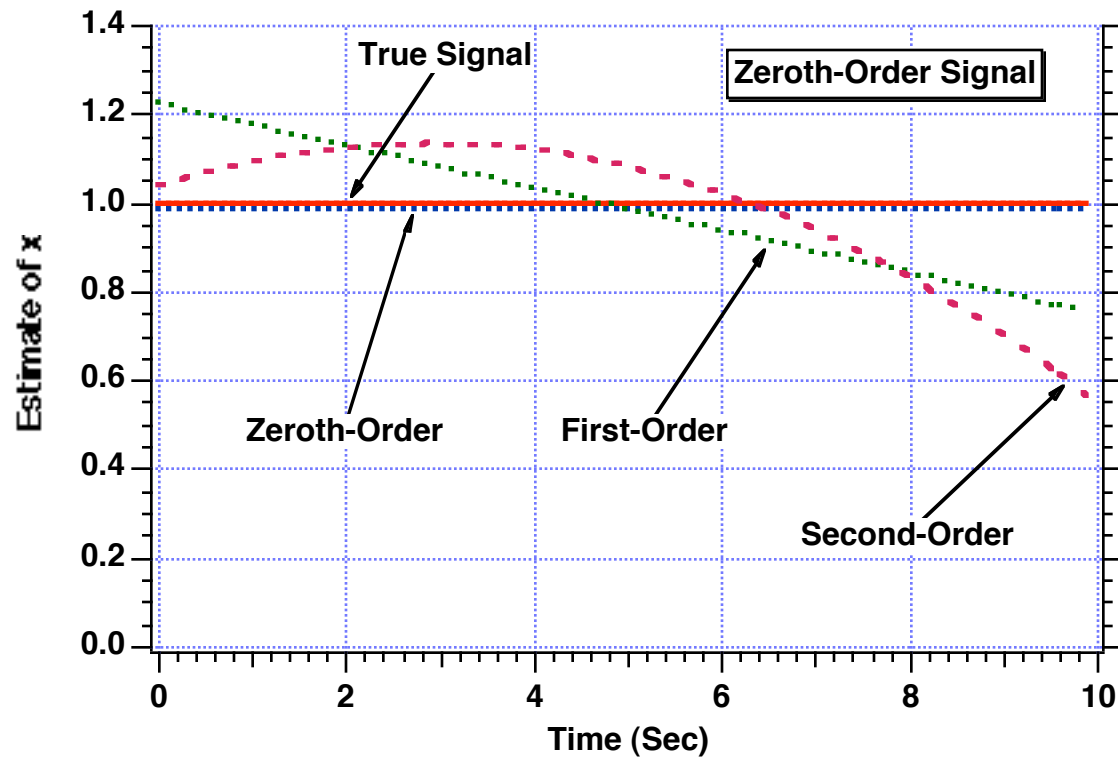
$$\sum (\text{Signal} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 6577.$$

$$\sum (\text{Measurement} - \text{Estimate})^2 = 223265$$

Both smaller than first-order filter

Comparison of Filters

Zeroth-Order Least Squares Filter Best Tracks Zeroth-Order Measurement

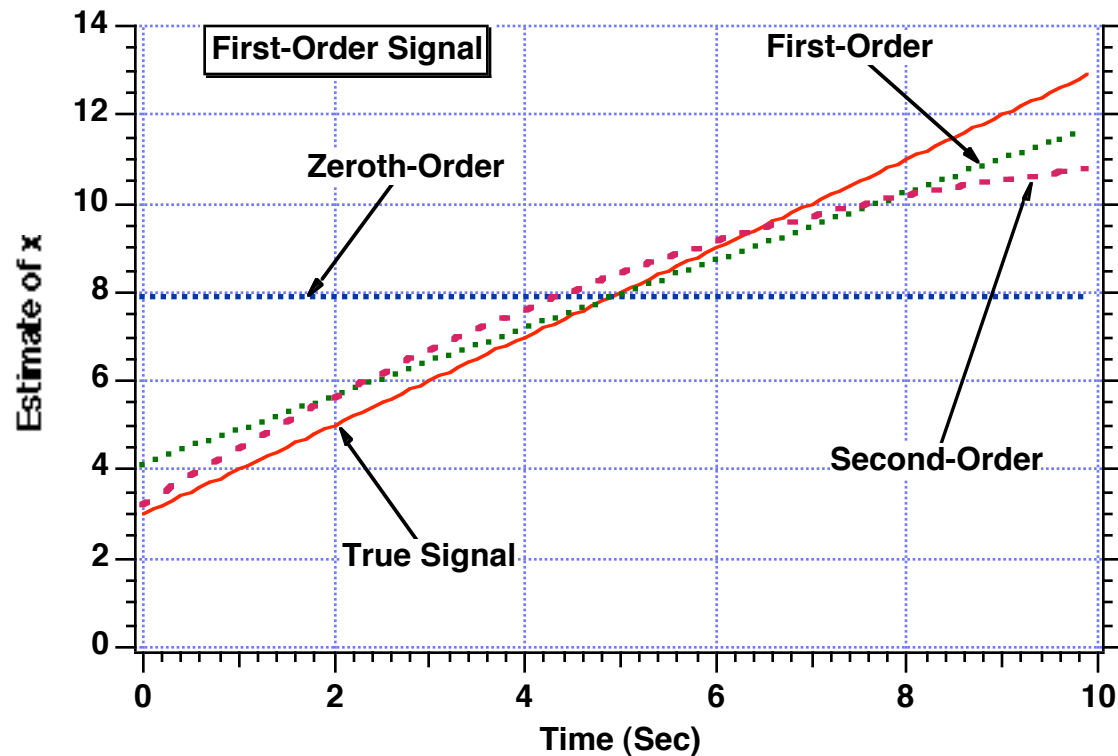


Measurement

$$x^* = 1 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1$$

First-Order Least Squares Filter Best Tracks First-Order Measurement

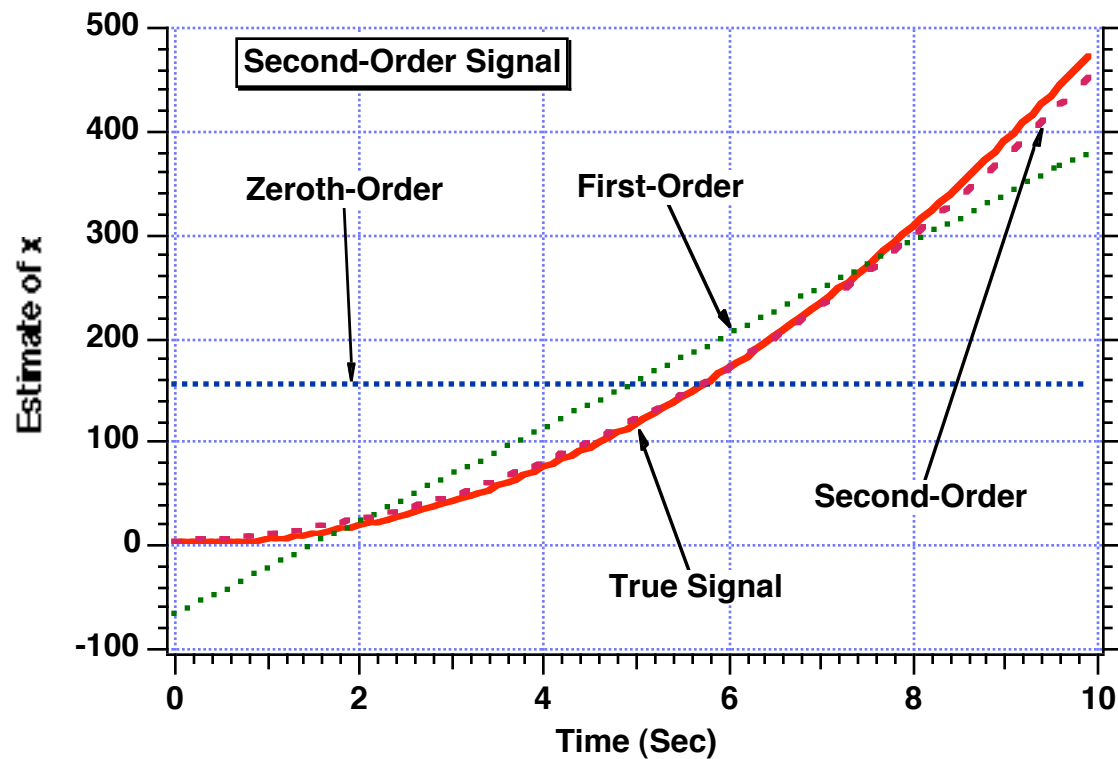


Measurement

$$x^* = t + 3 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1$$

Second-Order Least Squares Filter Tracks Parabolic Signal Quite Well



Measurement

$$x^* = 5t^2 - 2t + 2 + \text{noise}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 50$$

From a Quantitative Point of View Best Estimates of Signal are Obtained When Filter Order Matches Signal Order

| | | $\sum (\text{Signal} - \text{Estimate})^2$ | | |
|-----------------------------|--|--|-------|--------|
| Signal Order \ Filter Order | | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| 0 | | .01057 | 834 | |
| 1 | | 1.895 | 47.38 | 143557 |
| 2 | | 2.63 | 65.8 | 6577 |

***Note that diagonal elements are smallest**

From a Quantitative Point of View Estimates Get Closer To Measurements When Filter Order Gets Higher

| | | $\sum (\text{Measurement} - \text{Estimate})^2$ | | | |
|--------------|--|---|-------|------|--------|
| | | Signal Order | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Filter Order | | | | | |
| 0 | | | 91.92 | 2736 | |
| 1 | | | 90.04 | 2251 | 331960 |
| 2 | | | 89.3 | 2232 | 223265 |

*** Note that last row is smallest**

Accelerometer Testing Example

General Least Squares Coefficients For Different Order Polynomial Fits

Before

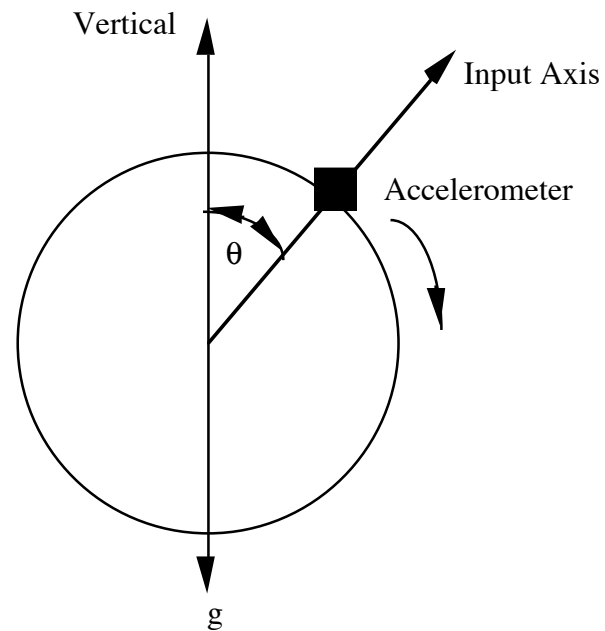
$$\hat{x}_k = a_0 + a_1(k-1)T_s + a_2[(k-1)T_s]^2 + \dots + a_n[(k-1)T_s]^n$$

In general

$$\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$$

| Order | Equations |
|--------|---|
| Zeroth | $a_0 = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n y_k^*}{n}$ |
| First | $\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n y_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k^* \end{bmatrix}$ |
| Second | $\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^3 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^3 & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n y_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 y_k^* \end{bmatrix}$ |

Accelerometer Experiment Test Setup



$$\text{Accelerometer Output} = g \cos \theta_k + B + SFg \cos \theta_k + K(g \cos \theta_k)^2$$

$$\text{Theory} = g \cos \theta_k$$

Formulating Error Equations For Least Squares Filter

Error equation for perfect angular measurements

$$\text{Error} = \text{Accelerometer Output} - \text{Theory} = B + SFg\cos\theta_k + K(g\cos\theta_k)^2$$

Error equation for noisy angular measurements

$$\text{Error} = \text{Accelerometer Output} - \text{Theory} = g\cos\theta_K^* + B + SFg\cos\theta_K^* + K(g\cos\theta_K^*)^2 - g\cos\theta_K$$

For filter implementation

$$\text{Error} \rightarrow y_k$$

$$g\cos\theta_k^* \rightarrow x_k$$

It is important to note that

$$g\cos\theta_K^* - g\cos\theta_K \neq 0$$

Nominal Values For Accelerometer Testing Example

| Term | Scientific Value | English Units |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Bias Error | 10 μg | $10 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot 32.2 = .000322 \text{ ft/sec}^2$ |
| Scale Factor Error | 5 ppm | $5 \cdot 10^{-6}$ |
| G-Squared Sensitive Drift | 1 $\mu\text{g/g}^2$ | $1 \cdot 10^{-6} / 32.2 = 3.106 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ sec}^2/\text{ft}$ |

Filter Formulation

Measurement

$$y_k^* = B + SFg\cos\theta_k^* + K(g\cos\theta_k^*)^2 + g\cos\theta_k^* - g\cos\theta_K$$

Independent variable

$$x_k = g\cos\theta_k^*$$

Use second-order fit to data because measurement appears to be second-order

$$\hat{y}_k = a_0 + a_1 x_k + a_2 x_k^2$$

Filter formula

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^3 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^3 & \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^n y_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k^* \\ \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 y_k^* \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{aligned} \hat{B} &= a_0 \\ \widehat{SF} &= a_1 \\ \hat{K} &= a_2 \end{aligned}$$

Method of Least Squares Applied to Accelerometer Testing Problem - 1

```
BIAS=.00001*32.2;
SF=.000005;
XK=.000001/32.2;
SIGTH=0.;
G=32.2;
JJ=0;
count=0;
for THETDEG=0:2:180
    THET=THETDEG/57.3;
    THETNOISE=SIGTH*randn;
    THETS=THET+THETNOISE;
    JJ=JJ+1;
    T(JJ)=32.2*cos(THETS);
    X(JJ)=BIAS+SF*G*cos(THETS)+XK*(G*cos(THETS))^2-G*cos(THET)+G*cos(THETS);
end
N=JJ;
SUM1=0;
SUM2=0;
SUM3=0;
SUM4=0;
SUM5=0;
SUM6=0;
SUM7=0;
for I=1:JJ
    SUM1=SUM1+T(I);
    SUM2=SUM2+T(I)*T(I);
    SUM3=SUM3+X(I);
    SUM4=SUM4+T(I)*X(I);
    SUM5=SUM5+T(I)*T(I)*T(I);
    SUM6=SUM6+T(I)*T(I)*T(I)*T(I);
    SUM7=SUM7+T(I)*T(I)*X(I);
end
```

Generating
measurement
data

Method of Least Squares Applied to Accelerometer Testing Problem - 2

```

A(1,1)=N;
A(1,2)=SUM1;
A(1,3)=SUM2;
A(2,1)=SUM1;
A(2,2)=SUM2;
A(2,3)=SUM5;
A(3,1)=SUM2;
A(3,2)=SUM5;
A(3,3)=SUM6;
AINV=inv(A);
B(1,1)=SUM3;
B(2,1)=SUM4;
B(3,1)=SUM7;
ANS=AINV*B
for JJ=1:N

```



Second-order least squares filter

```

PZ(JJ)=ANS(1,1)+ANS(2,1)*T(JJ)+ANS(3,1)*T(JJ)*T(JJ);
count=count+1;
ArrayA(count)=T(JJ);
ArrayB(count)=X(JJ);
ArrayPZ(count)=PZ(JJ);

```

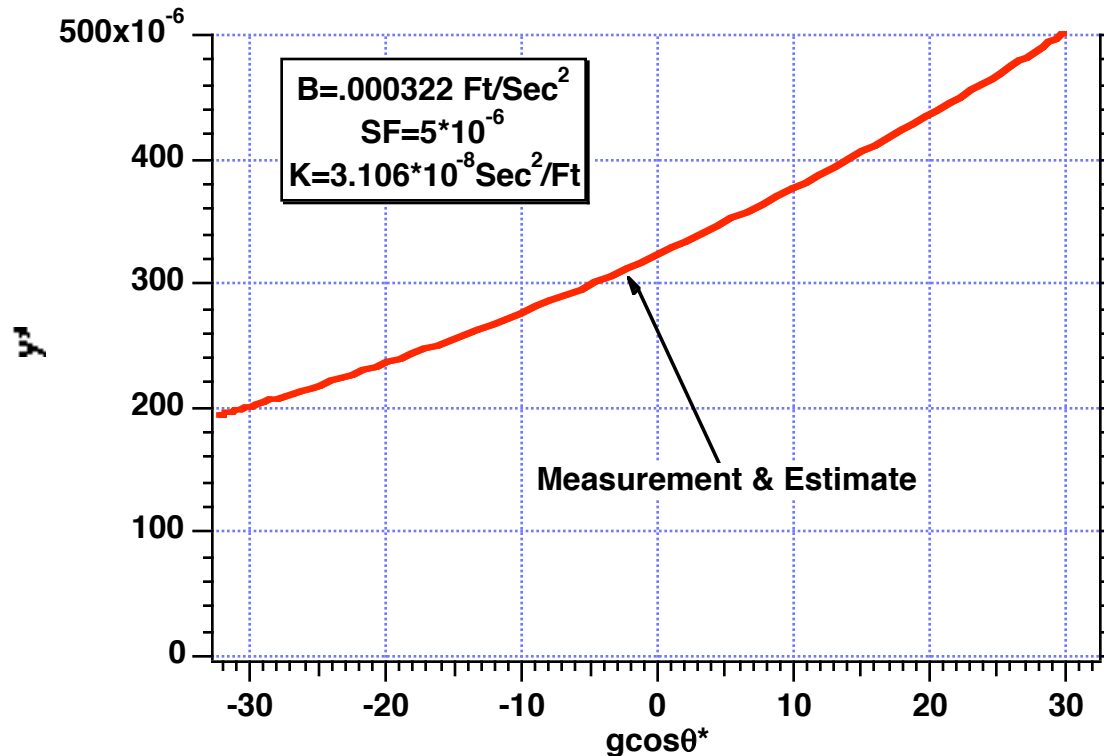
← **Filter estimate**

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end
figure
plot(ArrayA,ArrayB,ArrayA,ArrayPZ),grid
xlabel('gcos(thet) (deg)')
ylabel('Measurement and Estimate')
axis([-35 35 0 .0005])
clc
output=[ArrayA',ArrayB',ArrayPZ'];
save datfil output -ascii
disp 'simulation finished'

```

Without Measurement Noise We Can Estimate Accelerometer Errors Perfectly



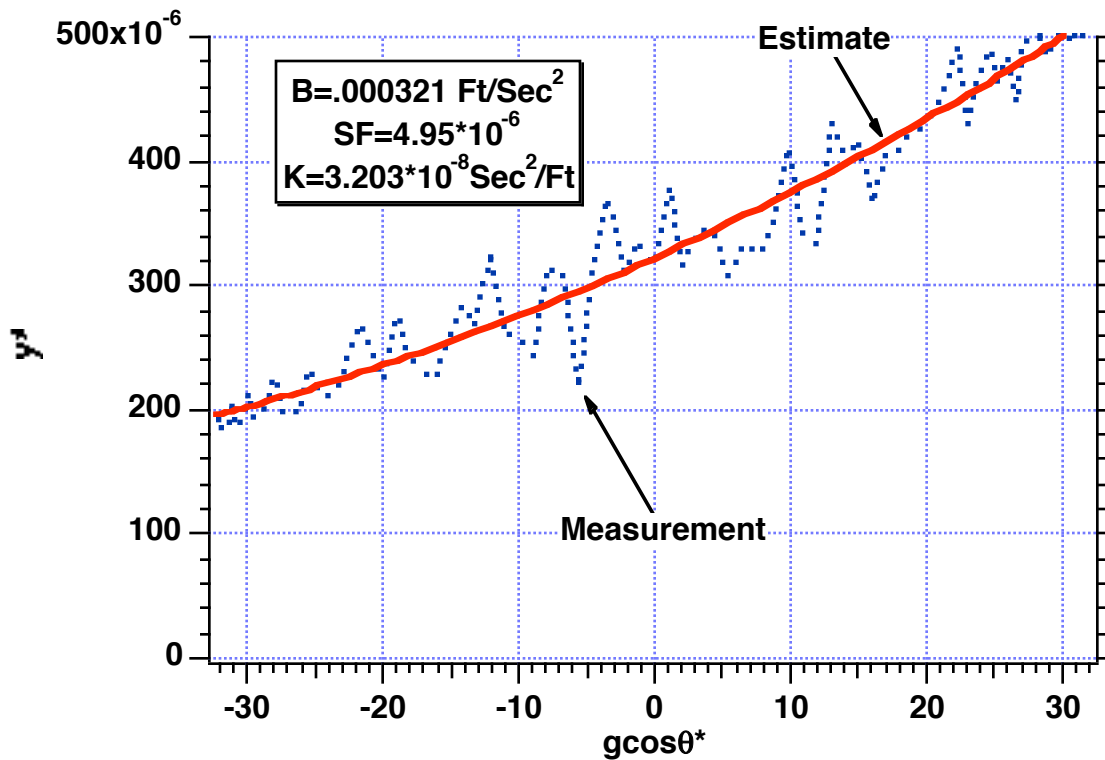
Truth

$$B = .000322 \text{ ft/sec}^2$$

$$SF = 5 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$K = 3.106 \times 10^{-8} \text{ sec}^2/\text{ft}$$

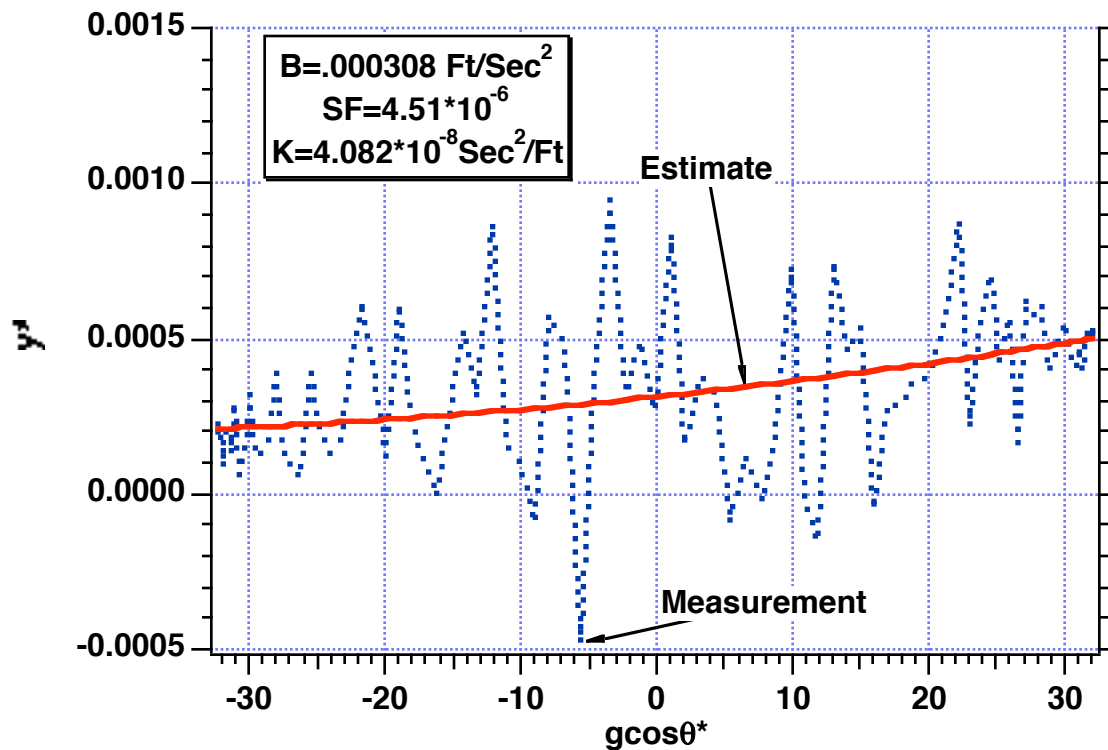
With 1 μ R of Measurement Noise We Can Nearly Estimate Accelerometer Errors Perfectly



Truth

$B = .000322 \text{ ft/sec}^2$
 $SF = 5 \cdot 10^{-6}$
 $K = 3.106 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ sec}^2/\text{ft}$

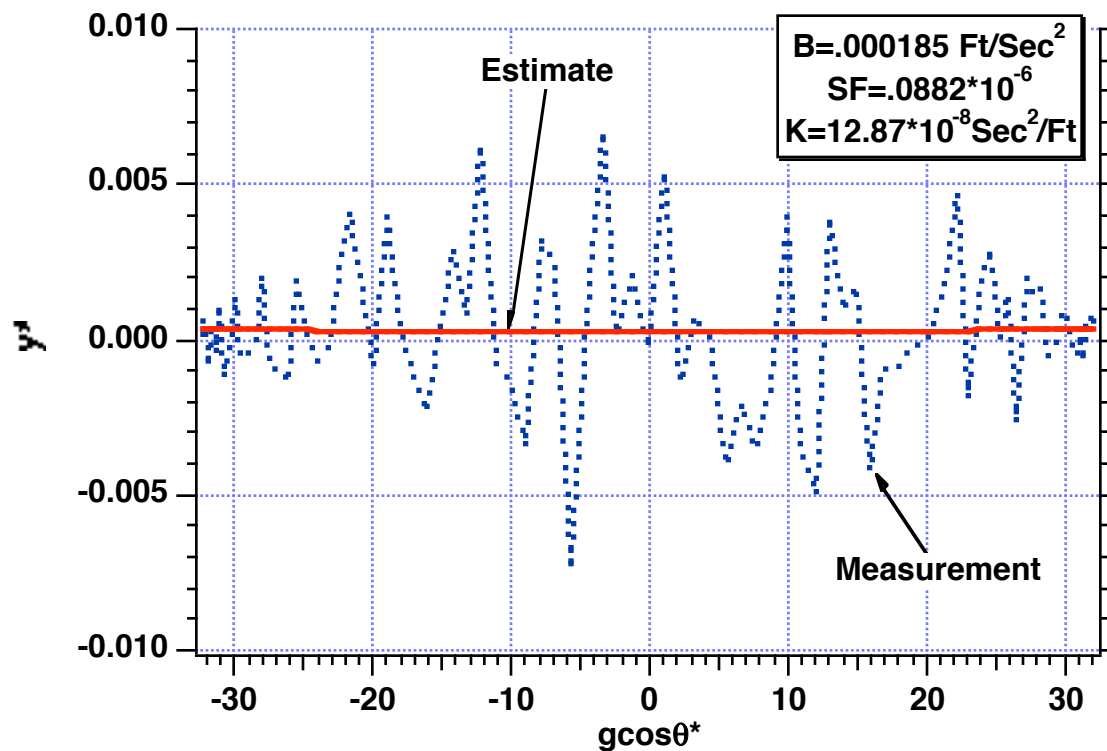
There is a Difference Between Truth and Estimates With $10 \mu R$ of Measurement Noise



Truth

$B = .000322 \text{ ft/sec}^2$
 $SF = 5 \cdot 10^{-6}$
 $K = 3.106 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ sec}^2/\text{ft}$

With 100 μ R of Measurement Noise We Can Not Estimate Bias, Scale Factor Errors or G-Sensitive Drift



Truth

$B = .000322 \text{ ft/sec}^2$
 $SF = 5 * 10^{-6}$
 $K = 3.106 * 10^{-8} \text{ sec}^2/\text{ft}$

Method of Least Squares Summary

- **Method of least squares is a batch processing method**
 - **All data has to be collected before estimates can be made**
- **Best to use filter order that is matched to signal order**
 - **If filter order is too low get divergence**
 - **If filter order is too high may be fitting noise rather than signal**
- **Batch processing formulas for various order least squares filters presented**