Wind speed turbulence system identification and signal generator

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- \bullet Wind turbulence $=$ non-stationary and stochastic process ⇒ Models based on spectral characteristics
- Design of models capable of time simulating wind turbulence effects on systems

Objectives

Design an accurate model to well simulate realistic wind speed and provide a wind turbulence generator.

- 28 datasets recorded near Montpelier, France
- Ultrasonic anemometer integrated into a Vaisala WXT520 weather transmitter range: $[0, 60]$ m/s; accurace: $\pm 3\%$ in $[0, 36]$ m/s and $\pm 5\%$ in $[36, 60]$ m/s
- Wind speed studied over a period of 3h \bullet ⇒ modeling only short-term fluctuations

● Study focused on spectral characteristics (PSD) at frequencies below 0.1 Hz with a quasi-constant average speed

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Wind speed components

Wind speed can be expressed as:

$$
V(t) = \overline{V}(t) + V_{turb}(t)
$$
\n(1)

where $\overline{V}(t)$ is the long-term component and $V_{turb}(t)$ the turbulence component.

I. van der Hoven (1957), "Power Spectrum of Horizontal Wind Speed in the Frequency Range from 0.0007 to 900 Cycles Per Hour." Journal of Atmospheric Sciences 14(2), 160–164. v9(4), 341–351. 7/26

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turbulence intensity $I = \frac{\sigma}{V}$

from International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) report is:

$$
I_{IEC} = I_{ref}(0.75 + \frac{5.6}{\overline{V}})
$$
\n
$$
\tag{4}
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Wind PSD approximation \Rightarrow Time simulation \circledcirc

 \Rightarrow Need to use shaping filters

$$
S_{VK}(f) = \frac{K}{\left(1 + (\tau f)^2\right)^{5/6}}
$$
 (5)

 $H_{VK}(if)$

Wind speed $(S_{VK}(f))$

where $K = 4\sigma^2 \frac{L}{\overline{V}}$ and $\tau = \sqrt{70.8} \frac{L}{\overline{V}}$

$$
S_{VK}(f) = S_{WN}(f)|H_{VK}(f)|^2 = |H_{VK}(f)|^2 = H_{VK}(jf)H_{VK}^*(jf)
$$
\n(6)

Random white noise $(S_{WN}(f) = 1)$

The resulting transfer function:

$$
H_{VK}(jf) = \frac{\sqrt{K}}{\left(1 + j\tau f\right)^{5/6}}\tag{7}
$$

Identification results

• Minimization of the cost function:

$$
J = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left| S_{dB}(f_i) - \widehat{S}_{dB}(f_i, K, \tau) \right|^2 \tag{8}
$$

by using the nonlinear simplex algorithm

- The von Kármán model provides a good fit in low frequency
- Need to improve the fit in middle and high frequency High frequency slope fixed to 5/6 ⇒ Constraint that can be released according to real data

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$$
H_{CC\times 2}(s) = \frac{\sqrt{K}}{(1 + (\frac{\tau_1}{2\pi}s)^{\nu})(1 + (\frac{\tau_2}{2\pi}s)^{2\nu})}
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 \Rightarrow A second slope for a better fit in middle frequency The resulting PSD expression:

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- Good fit in high frequency
- **•** Static gain equal to the von Kármán one
- **Improved fit in middle frequency**

Table: Comparison between the mean nAIC of the different models

 \Rightarrow The CC \times 2 model reproduces accurately the wind turbulence spectral characteristics

$$
nAIC = N\log(\det(\frac{1}{N}E^tE)) + \frac{2n_p}{N}
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\n(13)

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Wind grey box model:

- **•** same transfer function form as the black box model
- **•** parameters obtained from the wind known physical characteristics
- \Rightarrow Generating random realistic wind speed turbulence without reference data

$$
\begin{array}{c}\n w_n(t) \\
\hline\n \text{Grey Box} \\
\text{wind model} \\
\hline\n \uparrow \\
\{\overline{V}, L, I\}\n \end{array}
$$

System Identification for 28 datasets

Selected model: Wind CC×2 model:

$$
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• Same static gain expression as the Von Kármán model:

$$
K=4\sigma^2\frac{L}{\overline{V}}
$$

- The mean value of $\nu = 0.516$ $(\nu \in [0.49, 0.53])$
- The ratio between τ_1 and τ_2 is in \bullet $[2.6, 4.6]$: average value 3.6

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Grey-box wind turbulence model

Wind CC×2 model defined by:

$$
K = 4\sigma^2 \frac{L}{\overline{V}}, \qquad \tau_1 = 8.9 \frac{L}{\overline{V}}, \qquad \tau_2 = \frac{\tau_1}{3.6}, \qquad \nu = 0.516 \tag{14}
$$

Rational filter design: Oustaloup's approximation

Recursive distribution of zeros and poles The frequency band $\left[\omega_A, \omega_B \right]$ = $\left[10^{-1}, 10^{1} \right]$. Therefore, the rational approximation will be carried out on $[10^{-2}, 10^{2}]$. s^v is approximated by:

$$
s^\nu\rightarrow s_{[\omega_A,\omega_B]}^\nu=C_0\left(\frac{1+\frac{s}{\omega_b}}{1+\frac{s}{\omega_h}}\right)^\nu\approx C_0\prod_{k=1}^N\frac{1+\frac{s'}{\omega_k'}}{1+\frac{s}{\omega_k}}\eqno(15)
$$

where:

and

$$
\omega_1' = \eta^{1/2} \omega_b, \ \omega_1 = \alpha \omega_1',
$$

$$
\omega_{k+1}' = \alpha \eta \omega_k', \ \omega_{k+1} = \alpha \eta \omega_k,
$$

$$
\nu = \frac{\log \alpha}{\log(\alpha \eta)}, \ \alpha = \left(\frac{\omega_h}{\omega_b}\right)^{\frac{N}{N}}, \ \eta = \left(\frac{\omega_h}{\omega_b}\right)^{\frac{1-\nu}{N}}
$$

$$
C_0 = \left|\frac{1 + j\frac{1}{\omega_h}}{1 + j\frac{1}{\omega_b}}\right|^\nu = \left(\frac{\omega_h}{\omega_b}\right)^\nu \left(\frac{1 + \omega_b^2}{1 + \omega_h^2}\right)^{\nu/2}.
$$

Figure: Fractional integrator $s^{-0.5}$ and its approximation $s_{[0.1,10]}^{-0.5}$ based on Oustaloup's recursive poles and zeros approximation

A. Oustaloup, F. Levron, B. Mathieu, and F. M. Nanot (2000), "Frequency-band complex noninteger differentiator: characterization and synthesis" IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems I: Fundamental Theory and Appli- cations, 47(1):25–39, DOI:10.1109/81.817385.

- Measured wind characteristics: \overline{V} = 6.6m/s, σ = 1.92, L = 120m
- \bullet Identified $CC\times2$ model:

 $H_{BB}(s) = \frac{17.35}{(18.79 \times 1.554 + 8.59 \times 1.03)}$ $48.72s^{1.554} + 8.59s^{1.036} + 5.67s^{0.518} + 1$

• Tuned grey box model:

$$
K = 269.94, \quad \tau_1 = 161.74s, \quad \tau_2 = 44.93s
$$

$$
H_{GB}(s) = \frac{16.43}{40.7s^{1.548} + 7.62s^{1.032} + 5.34s^{0.516} + 1}
$$

 \Rightarrow Both models provide wind speed with a PSD similar to the measured wind PSD

Comparison with rational models

Rational approximation from Oustaloup's approximation:

$$
H_{N_{cells}}^{Oust\,approx} = H_0 \prod_{k=1}^{N} \frac{1 + \frac{s'}{\omega'_k}}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_k}},
$$
 (16)

• Rational approximation:

$$
H_4^{Rat\,approx} = H_0 \frac{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_2}}{\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{s}{\omega_3}\right)},\qquad(17)
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Wind speed generator

 10^{-4} 10⁻³ 10⁻² 10⁻¹ Frequency (Hz)

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http://cronetoolbox.ims-bordeaux.fr

Application on a 3-axis antenna

- **•** Wind turbulence average: $\bar{V} = 80km/h$
- Wind turbulence speed: [50, 100]km/h
- **MIMO CRONE control for** turbulence rejection

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- Wind models based on the spectral characteristics and not on time series data, then shaping filters are synthesized for time simulation
- Study and identification of the Von Kármán approximation and its limits
- Improved fractional models with: Davidson-Cole, Cole-Cole and Cole-Cole×2 models
- **•** Tuning methodology to transform the CC×2 black box model into a grey box model \Rightarrow not limited by access to reference data
- A long period wind mean speed generator can be developed for more realistic scenarios

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