

# Robust Recursive Kalman–Filtering

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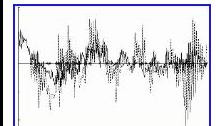
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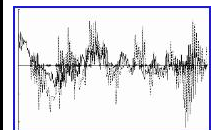
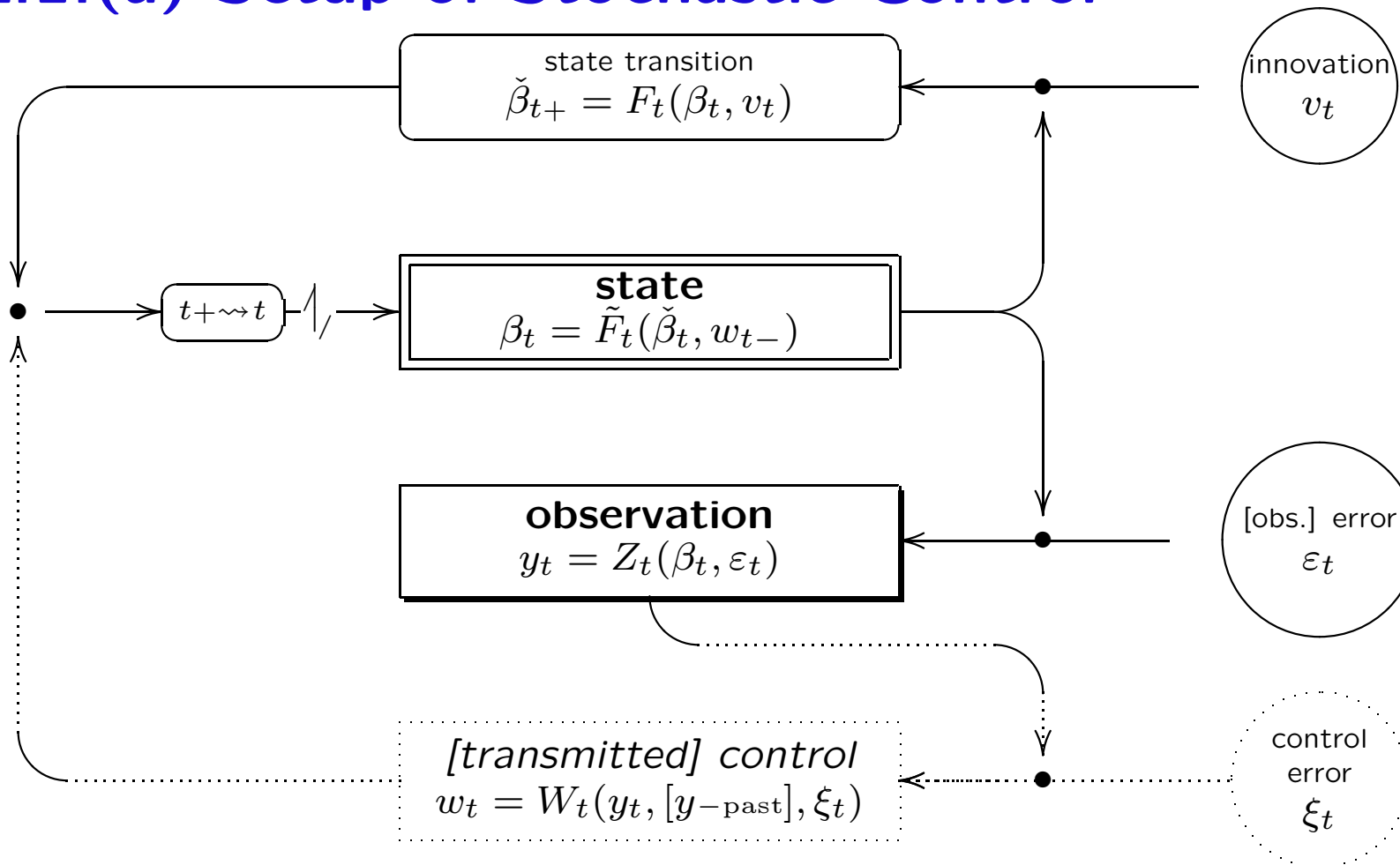
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# I. A Robust Filter with H. Rieder

## I.1. State Space Models (SSM's) and Outliers

### I.1.(a) Setup of Stochastic Control



## I.1.(b) Definitions and Assumptions: Linear, Time-Discrete, Euclidean Setup

ideal model:

$$y_t = Z_t \beta_t + \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}_q(0, V_t), \quad (1)$$

$$\beta_t = F_t \beta_{t-1} + v_t, \quad v_t \sim \mathcal{N}_p(0, Q_t), \quad (2)$$

$$\beta_0 \sim \mathcal{N}_p(a_0, Q_0) \quad (3)$$

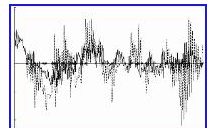
hyper-parameters:  $F_t, Z_t, Q_t, V_t, a_0$

## I.1.(c) Types of Outliers

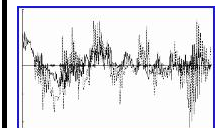
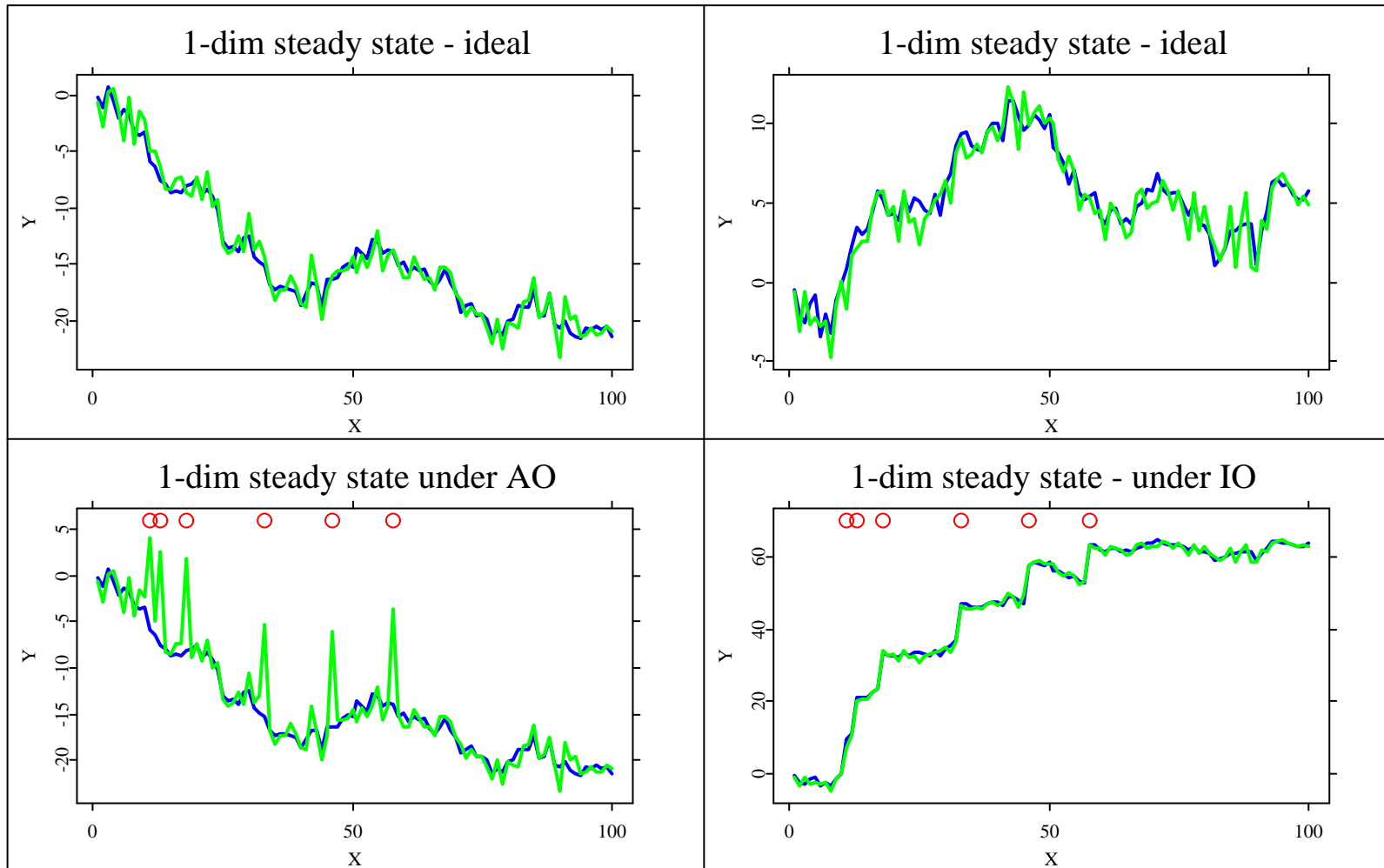
$$\text{AO} \quad :: \quad \varepsilon_t^{\text{real}} \sim (1 - r_{\text{AO}}) \mathcal{N}_q(0, V_t) + r_{\text{AO}} \mathcal{L}(\varepsilon_t^{\text{cont}}) \quad (4)$$

$$\text{SO} \quad :: \quad y_t^{\text{real}} \sim (1 - r_{\text{SO}}) \mathcal{L}(y_t^{\text{id}}) + r_{\text{SO}} \mathcal{L}(y_t^{\text{cont}}) \quad (5)$$

$$\text{IO} \quad :: \quad v_t^{\text{real}} \sim (1 - r_{\text{IO}}) \mathcal{N}_p(0, Q_t) + r_{\text{IO}} \mathcal{L}(v_t^{\text{cont}}) \quad (6)$$



# I.1.(d) Example: Model under AO and IO



## I.2. Classical Method: Kalman–Filter

Filter problem

$$\mathbb{E} \left| \beta_t - f_t(y_{1:t}) \right|^2 = \min_{f_t} !, \quad y_{1:t} = (y_1, \dots, y_t), y_{1:0} := \emptyset \quad (7)$$

General solution:  $\mathbb{E}[\beta_t | y_{1:t}]$

LS-solution among linear filters: **Kalman–filter** (Kalman[/Bucy] [60/61])

$$\text{Initialization: } \beta_{0|0} = a_0, \quad \Sigma_{0|0} = Q_0 \quad (8)$$

$$\text{Prediction: } \beta_{t|t-1} = F_t \beta_{t-1|t-1} \quad (9)$$

$$\Sigma_{t|t-1} = F_t \Sigma_{t-1|t-1} F_t^T + Q_t = \text{Cov}(\Delta \beta_t) \quad (10)$$

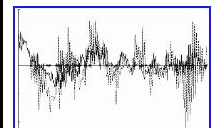
$$\text{with } \Delta \beta_t = \beta_t - \beta_{t|t-1} \quad [\text{state innovation}] \quad (11)$$

$$\text{Correction: } \beta_{t|t} = \beta_{t|t-1} + \hat{M}_t (y_t - Z \beta_{t|t-1}) = \beta_{t|t-1} + \hat{M}_t \Delta y_t \quad (12)$$

$$\Sigma_{t|t} = \Sigma_{t|t-1} - \hat{M}_t Z \Sigma_{t|t-1} = \text{Cov}(\beta_t - \beta_{t|t}) \quad (13)$$

$$\text{with } \hat{M}_t = \Sigma_{t|t-1} Z^T [Z \Sigma_{t|t-1} Z^T + V_t]^{-1} \quad [\text{Kalman–Gain}] \quad (14)$$

$$\Delta y_t = y_t - Z \beta_{t|t-1} = Z \Delta \beta_t + \varepsilon_t \quad [\text{obs. innov.}] \quad (15)$$



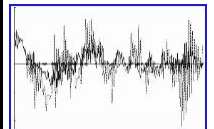
# I.3. Robustification Approaches for SSM's

## I.3.(a) State of the Art

- already 209 References to that subject in Kassam/Poor[85]; many different notions of robustness
- here: robustness w.r.t. AO/SO–distributional deviations
- key features: **recursivity** and **bounded correction step**

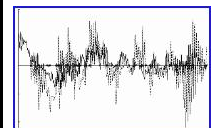
## I.3.(b) Various “Robustnesses”

- in Control Theory, c.f.  $\mathcal{H}^\infty/\mathcal{H}^2$ –approach e.g. Başar/Bernhard [91], Rotea/Khargonekar [95]
- by Hard Rejection, e.g. Meyr/Spies [84]
- by “Fat Tails”
  - Bayesian Approach: e.g. West [81–85],
  - Posterior Mode, e.g. Künstler/Fahrmeir/Kaufmann [91–99]





- by Analogy:
  - M-Estimators for Regression e.g. Boncelet[/Dickinson] [83–85], Cipra/Romera [91]
  - L-Estimators: numerous examples in image processing; an initial example: 3R-smoother by Tukey [77]
- Non-Recursive Robustness
  - without sampling a.o. Pupeikis [98], Schick [89], Birmiwal/Shen [93]
  - with MCMC-methods: Carlin [92], Carter/Kohn[94]
- Minmax-Robustness:
  - in the frequency domain: e.g. Kassam/Lim [77], Franke [85], Franke/Poor [84]
  - ACM-[type]-filter: Martin/Masreliez [77-79]
  - SO-optimal filter in one dimension: Birmiwal/Shen [93]



# I.4. robustifying recursive Least Squares: rLS

## I.4.(a) Idea and Definition

[from now on: omitting  $t$  where possible]

- restriction to AO/SO's:  
For arbitrary IO's the problem is not well-posed!
- no AO/SO's in the prediction step
- in the correction step: instead of  $M\Delta y$  we use

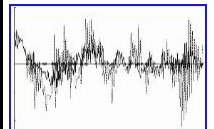
$$H_b(M\Delta y) = M\Delta y \min\left\{1, \frac{b}{|M\Delta y|}\right\} \quad (16)$$

- So recursions (8),(9),(12) are transformed to

$$\beta_{0|0} = a_0, \quad (17)$$

$$\beta_{t|t-1} = F_t \beta_{t-1|t-1} \quad (18)$$

$$\beta_{t|t} = \beta_{t|t-1} + H_b(M_t(y_t - Z\beta_{t|t-1})) \quad (19)$$



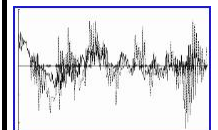


## I.4.(b) Properties

- no rotation as in [Masreliez/]Martin ACM [77/79]
- if  $E[\Delta\beta|\Delta y]$  is linear in  $\Delta y$ , then
  - the optimal  $M$  is  $\hat{M}_t$  (Kalman Gain)
  - rLS is SO-optimal (see part II)
- strict normality gets lost during the history of  $\beta_{t|t}$  for growing  $t$
- $\beta_{t|t}$  is “nearly” normal and  $\hat{M}_t$  cannot be improved significantly

## I.4.(c) Availability/Implementation

- XploRe
  - c.f. <http://www.xplore-stat.de>
  - rLS realized in the XploRe-quantlib `kalman`
  - documentation: XploRe Application Guide
- ISP: macros available on demand
- S-Plus/R: not yet

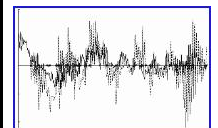


## I.4.(d) Calibration

Choice of  $b$ : Anscombe–Criterium

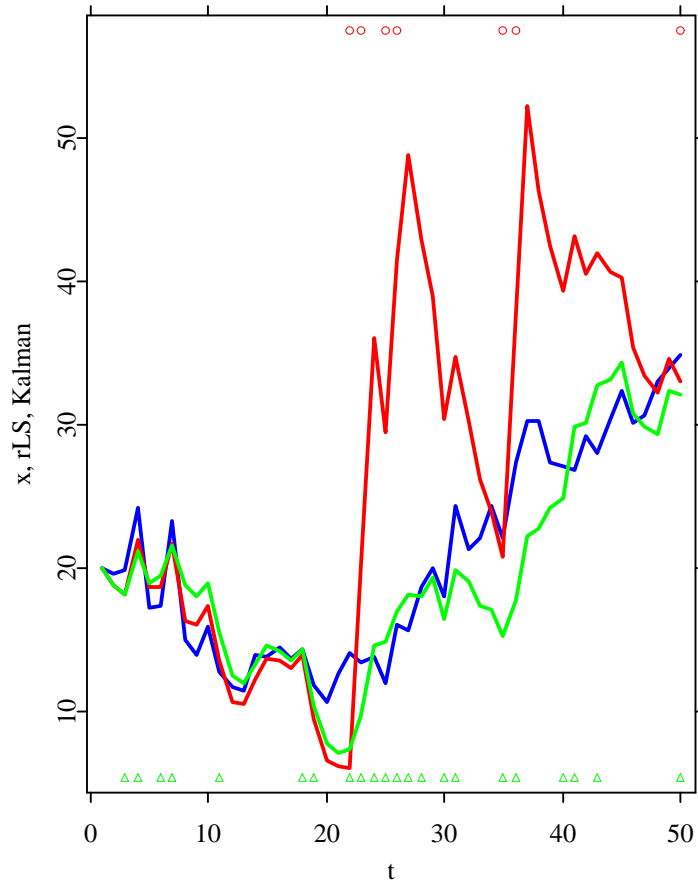
$$E |\Delta\beta - H_b(\hat{M}\Delta y)|^2 \stackrel{!}{=} (1 + \delta) \text{tr} \Sigma_{t|t} \quad (20)$$

- with known hyper-parameters, calibration can be done beforehand!
- simplifications for implementation of (20):
  - assuming strict normality,
  - for  $n = 1$  analytic terms,
  - for  $n > 1$  MC-Simulation
- alternatives:
  - simulation of a bundle of paths and then MC-integration
  - numerical integration

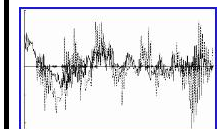
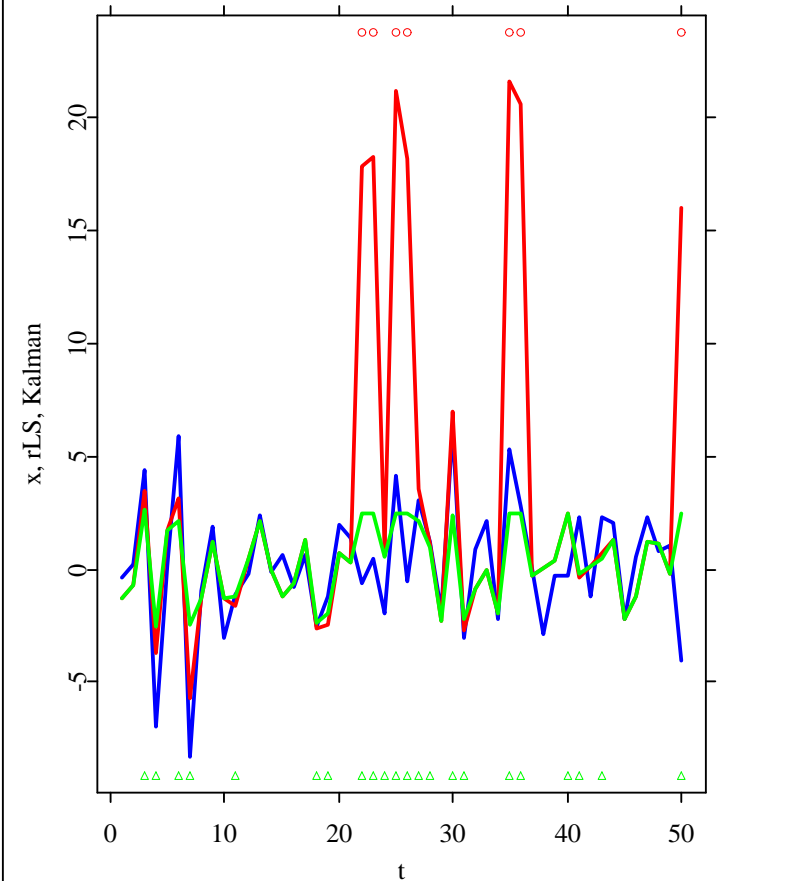


# I.4.(e) Example: rLS for Simulated Data

simulated Model under AO -- 1st coord.



simulated Model under AO -- 2nd coord.



# II. Robust Optimalities

## II.1. Robust Optimization Problems

### II.1.(a) Reduction to a Simple Model

- ideal model:

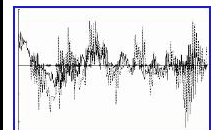
$$Y := X + \varepsilon, \quad X \sim P^X, \quad \varepsilon \sim P^\varepsilon \text{ indep.} \quad (21)$$

$$P^X, P^\varepsilon \in \mathcal{M}_1(\mathbb{B}^q)$$

$$\left[ \mathbb{E}_{\text{id}} |X|^2, \quad \mathbb{E}_{\text{id}} |\varepsilon|^2 < \infty \right]$$

- Identifications: innovation representation

$$\text{rLS : } X \hat{=} [Z_t] \Delta \beta_t, \quad \varepsilon \hat{=} \varepsilon_t$$



## II.1.(b) Types of Outliers / Neighborhoods

### Types of Outliers

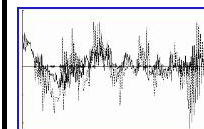
$$\begin{aligned} \text{SO} \quad :: \quad \hat{Y} \sim \hat{P}^Y &= (1 - r_{\text{SO}})P^Y + r_{\text{SO}}\tilde{P}^Y, \\ P^Y &= P^X * P^\varepsilon \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{AO} \quad :: \quad \hat{\varepsilon} \sim \hat{P}^\varepsilon &= (1 - r_{\text{AO}})P^\varepsilon + r_{\text{AO}}\tilde{P}^\varepsilon, \\ \Rightarrow \hat{Y} \sim \hat{P}^Y &= (1 - r_{\text{AO}})P^Y + r_{\text{AO}}\tilde{P}^Y, \\ \hat{Y} = X + \hat{\varepsilon}, \quad \tilde{P}^Y &= P^X * \tilde{P}^\varepsilon \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

### Neighborhoods

$$\text{SO} \quad :: \quad \mathcal{U}_r := \{\mathcal{L}(X, \hat{Y}) : X \sim P^X, \hat{Y} \sim \hat{P}^Y, \hat{P}^Y \text{ acc. to (24)}\} \quad (24)$$

$$\text{AO} \quad :: \quad \mathcal{V}_r := \{\mathcal{L}(X, \hat{Y}) : X \sim P^X, \hat{Y} \sim \hat{P}^Y, \hat{P}^Y \text{ acc. to (25)}\} \quad (25)$$



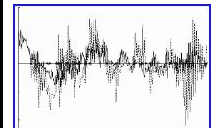
## II.1.(c) Problems to be Solved

	“Lemma 5”	Minimax
<b>SO</b>	$\mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[ X - f(\hat{Y}) ^2] = \min_f!$ <p>s.t. <math> \mathbb{E}_{\text{real}}[X - f(\hat{Y})]  \leq b</math></p> $\mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[X] = \mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[f(\hat{Y})]$	$\mathbb{E}_P  X - f(\hat{Y}) ^2 =$ $\min_f \max_{P \in \mathcal{U}_r} !$
<b>AO</b>	$\mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[ X - f(\hat{Y}) ^2] = \min_f!$ <p>s.t. <math> \mathbb{E}_{\text{real}}[X - f(\hat{Y})   \varepsilon]  \leq b</math></p> $\mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[X] = \mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[f(\hat{Y})]$	$\mathbb{E}_P  X - f(\hat{Y}) ^2 =$ $\min_f \max_{P \in \mathcal{V}_r} !$

Equivalences under  $\mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[X] = \mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[f(\hat{Y})]$

$$|\mathbb{E}_{\text{real}}[X - f(\hat{Y})]| \leq b \quad \forall P \in \mathcal{U}_r \quad \iff \quad |f(\hat{Y}) - \mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[X]| \leq b/r$$

$$|\mathbb{E}_{\text{real}}[X - f(\hat{Y}) | \varepsilon]| \leq b \quad \forall P \in \mathcal{V}_r \quad \iff \quad |\mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[f(\hat{Y}) | \varepsilon] - \mathbb{E}_{\text{id}}[X]| \leq b/r$$



## II.2. Solution in the SO-Case

### II.2.(a) Solution to Problem “Lemma 5”-SO

Setting  $D(Y) := E_{\text{id}}[X|Y] - E_{\text{id}}[X]$  and  $b' = b/r$ , we get

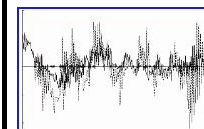
$$\hat{f}(Y) := E_{\text{id}}[X] + D(Y) \min\left\{1, \frac{b'}{|D(Y)|}\right\} \quad (26)$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{id}}[|X - f(Y)|^2] &= E_{\text{id}}[|X - E_{\text{id}}[X|Y]|^2] + E_{\text{id}}[|E_{\text{id}}[X|Y] - f(Y)|^2] = \\ &= \text{const} + E_{\text{id}}[|D(Y) - (f(Y) - E_{\text{id}}[X])|^2] \end{aligned}$$

pointwise minimization in  $Y$  subject to  $|f(Y) - E_{\text{id}}[X]| \leq b'$  gives the result. ////

If  $E_{\text{id}}[X|Y] = MY$  for some  $M$ , necessarily  $M = \hat{M}$  and  $\hat{f}(Y)$  is rLS.



## II.2.(b) Solution to Problem Minimax-SO

- Birmival/Shen [93]:
  - for  $q = 1$
  - only Lebesgue-densities for both id. and cont. distr.
  - applying Minimax-Thm without giving justification
- here:
  - $q \geq 1$
  - arbitrary cont. distr.
  - assumption in the ideal model only:

$$(A) \quad \exists P \in \mathcal{M}_1(\mathbb{B}^q) : \quad \text{for } t \in \text{supp}(P^X), \quad P^\varepsilon(\cdot - t) \ll P.$$

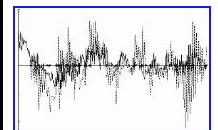
- Minimax-Thm justified by Franke/Poor [84]

**THM 1:(R. [01])** Under (A) there is a saddlepoint  $(f_0, \tilde{P}_0^Y)$  with

$$f_0(Y) := E_{\text{id}}[X] + D(Y) \min\left\{1, \frac{\tilde{\rho}}{|D(Y)|}\right\} \quad (27)$$

$$\tilde{P}_0(dy) := \frac{1 - r_{\text{SO}}}{r_{\text{SO}}} (1/\tilde{\rho}|D(y)| - 1)_+ P^Y(dy) \quad (28)$$

with  $\tilde{\rho} > 0$  assuring that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^q} \tilde{P}_0(dy) = 1$ .

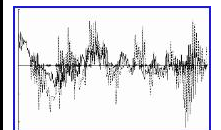
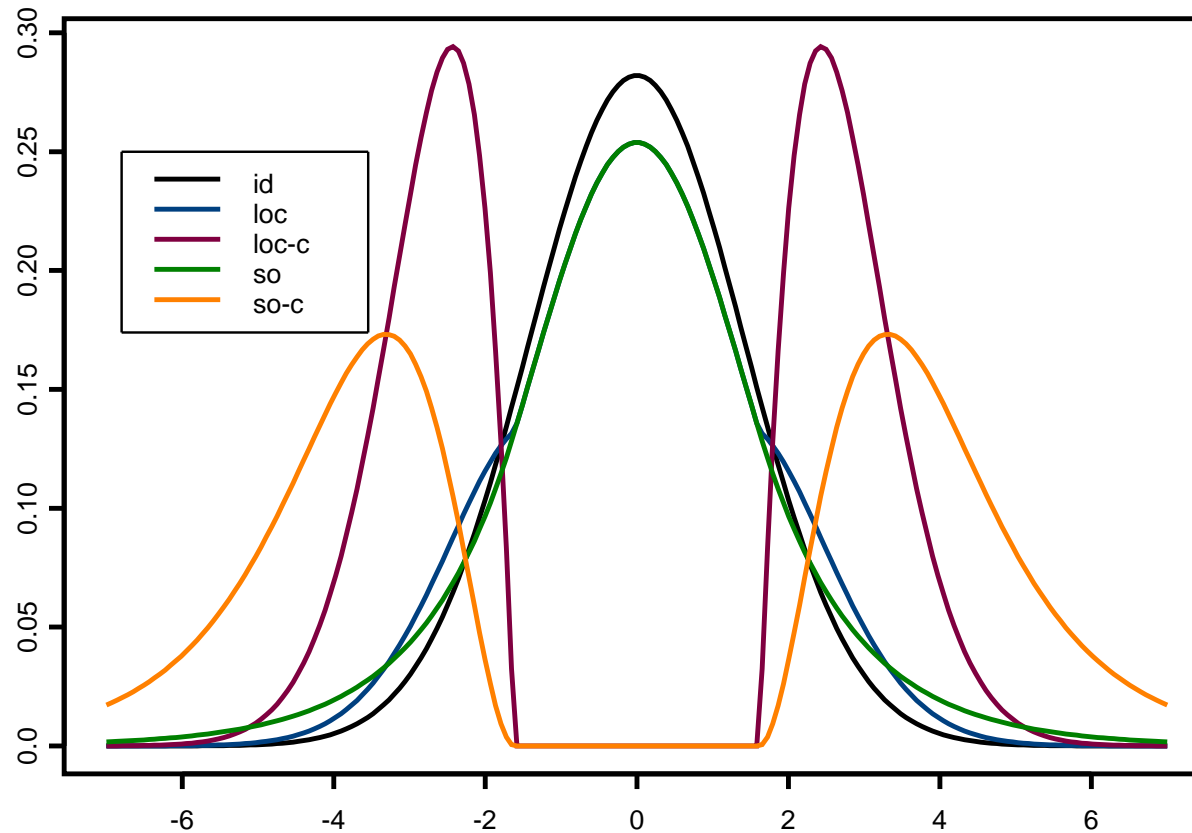




## II.2.(c) Example:

Densities of  $P^Y$ ,  $\hat{P}^Y$ ,  $\tilde{P}^Y$  for  $P^X = P^\varepsilon = \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ ,  $r = 0.1$

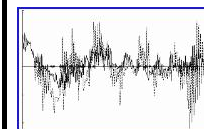
Least Favorable Densities about  $\mathcal{N}(0, 2)$



## II.3. Back in the $\Delta\beta$ Model for $t > 1$

### II.3.(a) Approaches up to Now

- [Masreliez/]Martin [77/79] assume  $\mathcal{L}(\Delta\beta)$  *normal*. **BUT:**
  - if correction step is bounded,  $\mathcal{L}(\Delta\beta)$  cannot be normal (R. [01]: as. version of Cramér–Lévy–Theorem)
- rLS is optimal in both “Lemma 5” and minimax sense if  $E_{\text{id}}[\Delta\beta|\Delta y]$  is *linear*. **BUT:**
  - if  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{id}}(\varepsilon)$  is normal,  $E_{\text{id}}[\Delta\beta|\Delta y]$  is linear iff  $\mathcal{L}(\Delta\beta)$  is normal (R. [01]: ODE for Fourier transforms of  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{id}}(\varepsilon)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(\Delta\beta)$ .)
- Schick[/Mitter] [89/94] work with a Taylor-expansion for a non-normal  $\mathcal{L}(\Delta\beta)$ . **BUT:**
  - stochastic error terms??
  - come up with a bank of (at least  $t$ ) Kalman–Filters — not very operational
- Birmiwal/Shen [93] work with exact  $\mathcal{L}(\Delta\beta)$ . **BUT:**
  - splitting up the history of outlier occurrences yields  $2^t$  different terms — not very operational either



## II.3.(b) An Even Larger SO-Model

Consider the following outlier model:

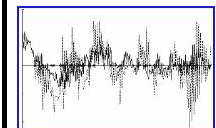
- $X \sim P^X$ ,  $\tilde{X} \sim \tilde{P}^X$ ,  
 $\varepsilon \sim P^\varepsilon$ ,  $\tilde{Y} \sim \tilde{P}^Y$ ,  
 $U \sim \text{Bin}(1, r_{\text{eSO}})$  all sto. indep.

- Observation:

$$(\hat{X}, \hat{Y}) := (1 - U)(X, X + \varepsilon) + U(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}). \quad (29)$$

- $P^X, P^\varepsilon, r_{\text{eSO}}$  known,  $\tilde{P}^X, \tilde{P}^Y$  unknown /arbitrary,
- but:  $\mathbb{E}[\tilde{X}] = \mathbb{E}[X]$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[|\tilde{X}|^2] \leq G$  for some known  $0 < G < \infty$ .

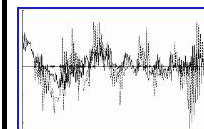
**THM 2:(R. [01])** Under (A)  $(f_0, \tilde{P}_0^Y)$  from THM 1 still form a saddlepoint in the larger **eSO-model** to the same radius —  $\tilde{P}^X$  being arbitrary with  $\mathbb{E}[\tilde{X}] = \mathbb{E}[X]$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[|\tilde{X}|^2] = G$



## II.3.(c) Consequences of THM 2

Instead of regarding the saddlepoint solution to the  $\mathcal{U}_r$ -nbd around  $\mathcal{L}(\Delta\beta)$  we assume that for each  $t$  there is a r.v.  $\Delta\beta^{\mathcal{N}} \sim \mathcal{N}_p(0, \Sigma)$  s.t.  $\Delta\beta$  can be considered a  $\tilde{X}$  in the corresponding eSO-nbd around  $\Delta\beta^{\mathcal{N}} \sim \mathcal{N}_p(0, \Sigma)$  with the given radius

- in this setup the rLS is exactly minimax for each  $t$
- explains good results
- no analytic proof for the existence of  $\Delta\beta^{\mathcal{N}} \sim \mathcal{N}_p(0, \Sigma)$
- **BUT** for  $p = 1$  in a large number of models numerical — not simulational ! — proof



# III More Addressed Problems

- AO–problem: both Lemma 5– and Minimax–approach
- Stationarity of the rLS– (and rIC–filter)
- Estimation of Hyper–Parameters:
  - Embedding into LAN–Theory —  
 $L_2$ –differentiability of this model
  - Concept of a Robust One–Step–EM–Algorithm

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