

Self-convergence of Weighted Least Squares for Continuous-time ARMAX Model

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Abstract

In this paper we discuss a weighted least squares algorithm for the following continuous-time model:

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{S})y_t = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{S})u_t + \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S})v_t$$

where \mathbf{S} denotes the integral operator, i.e., $\mathbf{S}y_t = \int_0^t y_s ds$ and $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{S}), \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{S})$ and $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S})$ are matrix polynomials in the integral operator \mathbf{S} . Similar to discrete **WLS** ([5], [6]), the self-convergence property, the almost sure convergence of the estimate via the continuous **WLS** (**CWLS**) to the true parameter are established. The simulation results for the discrete **WLS** and **ELS**, the **CWLS** and the continuous **ELS** algorithms are given in this paper. The results presented here can be extended to state-space models with continuous time.

1. Introduction

The least squares (**LS**) algorithm and the stochastic gradient algorithm (**SG**) ([1], [2], [3] and [4]) are two important algorithms in the study of recursive identification and adaptive control of discrete-time ARMAX model. Generally, if we focus our attention on the parameter consistency, we choose

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the least squares algorithm because it has better rate of convergence. For adaptive tracking, the stochastic gradient algorithm seems to have a better tracking rate and it is more practical for analyzing computational needs. Recently the extended least squares (**ELS**) algorithm was used to solve the Aström-Wittenmark self-tuning problem. The **ELS** consistency and adaptive tracking optimality results were established. Based on the previous results, the weighted least squares(**WLS**) algorithm was proposed to solve the Aström-Wittenmark adaptive tracking problem([5]). The discrete-time **WLS** has the following advantages: it is almost surely bounded when a weighting sequence is suitably chosen, the **WLS** algorithm can perform as well as the **ELS** for parameter estimation(see the simulation results in Section 4) and it turns out that under some suitable choices of weighting sequence that a better rate can be obtained for adaptive tracking by using the **WLS** than by using the **SG** algorithm. Later in [6], the author proved the self-convergence property of one special kind of **WLS**, which was used to the adaptive pole-placement and LQG control problems. It also will be our further research subject to do similar adaptive control problems by using **CWLS** algorithm.

Although most of the literature on identification and adaptive control of dynamical systems takes place in discrete-time, the study of systems which evolve in continuous-time has recently gained in popularity, due in part to the fact that many physical systems evolve naturally in continuous-time. Continuous-time analysis also can be used to resolve questions which arise in discrete-time models due to very small time steps.

In this paper we analyze the **WLS** algorithm (ref. [11]) for a continuous-time ARMAX model as in [7] or [8]. We prove that the **CWLS** has self-convergence property, the almost sure convergence of the estimate via the **CWLS** to the true parameter. In the simulation section, we show the convergence results for both discrete **ELS**, **WLS** and **CWLS** and **CELS**. Further, we show that the **WLS** converges but the **ELS** diverges for the discrete time example constructed in [10]. Similarly, we show some convergence results for both **CWLS** and **CELS**. We also give one example where **CWLS** converges but **CELS** diverges.

2. Continuous-time WLS algorithm

Consider the system described by the following multi-variable stochastic integral equation:

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{S})y_t = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{S})u_t + \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S})v_t \quad (1)$$

where \mathbf{S} denotes the integral operator, i.e. $\mathbf{S}y_t = \int_0^t y_s ds$ and $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{S}), \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{S})$ and $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S})$ are matrix polynomials in the integral operator \mathbf{S} .

Let \mathcal{F}_t be a family of nondecreasing σ -algebras defined on a probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$. y_t, u_t adapted to \mathcal{F}_t are the m -dimensional output and the l -dimensional input, respectively. v_t is the system noise that is generated by a known filter $\mathbf{D}^{-1}(\mathbf{S})$, from a standard Wiener process (w_t, \mathcal{F}_t) :

$$\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})v_t = w_t, \quad t \geq 0. \quad (2)$$

Assume that $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{S}), \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{S})$ and $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S})$ are matrix polynomials in \mathbf{S} with unknown coefficients and

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{S}) = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{S} + \dots + \mathbf{A}_p\mathbf{S}^p, \quad p \geq 0, \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{S}) = \mathbf{B}_1 + \mathbf{B}_2\mathbf{S} + \dots + \mathbf{B}_q\mathbf{S}^{q-1}, \quad q \geq 1, \quad (4)$$

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S}) = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{C}_1\mathbf{S} + \dots + \mathbf{C}_r\mathbf{S}^r, \quad r \geq 1, \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{D}_1\mathbf{S} + \dots + \mathbf{D}_r\mathbf{S}^r. \quad (6)$$

Let $a = (a_t, t \geq 0)$ be a random process adapted to \mathcal{F}_t , positive, non-increasing and $a_t \leq 1$ for $t \geq 0$. The process $a = (a_t)$ will be called a weighting process. Let θ_t be an estimator of θ where

$$\theta^T = [-\mathbf{A}_1, \dots, -\mathbf{A}_p, \mathbf{B}_1, \dots, \mathbf{B}_q, \mathbf{C}_1, \dots, \mathbf{C}_r] \quad (7)$$

In order to estimate θ , we propose the following continuous weighted least squares algorithm(CWLS):

$$d\theta_t = a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) (dy_t^T - \Phi_t^T \theta_t dt), \quad \theta_0 = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\Phi_t = [y_t^T, \mathbf{S}y_t^T, \dots, \mathbf{S}^{p-1}y_t^T, u_t^T, \mathbf{S}u_t^T, \dots, \mathbf{S}^{q-1}u_t^T, \hat{v}_t, \mathbf{S}\hat{v}_t^T, \dots, \mathbf{S}^{r-1}\hat{v}_t^T]^T \quad (9)$$

$$\Phi_t^0 = [y_t^T, \mathbf{S}y_t^T, \dots, \mathbf{S}^{p-1}y_t^T, u_t^T, \mathbf{S}u_t^T, \dots, \mathbf{S}^{q-1}u_t^T, v_t, \mathbf{S}v_t^T, \dots, \mathbf{S}^{r-1}v_t^T]^T \quad (10)$$

$$d\mathbf{R}_t^{-1} = -a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t \Phi_t^T \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} dt \quad (11)$$

$$\hat{v}_t = y_t - \mathbf{S}\theta_t^T \Phi_t \quad (12)$$

where \mathbf{R} is a positive definite matrix and \hat{v}_t is the predicted value for noise v_t .

3. Main Results

Let

$$f_t = f_t(a) = a_t \Phi_t^T \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t, t \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\Delta = \int_0^\infty a_t f_t dt \quad (2)$$

where $a = (a_t, t \geq 0)$ is a weighting process (see [5]). The process is said to be admissible if Δ is finite. In all the following, we assume a is admissible. It is important to notice that the **CWLS** doesn't include the continuous **ELS** as a special case since the weighting sequence $a_t = 1, t \geq 0$, is not admissible.

Remark. The weighting process does exist. For example, let G be a family of continuous non-increasing functions: $g(\cdot) : R^+ \rightarrow R^+$ such that $xg(x) \rightarrow 0$ when $x \rightarrow \infty$ $\int_c^\infty g(x)dx < \infty$, for $c > 0$. Then we can choose $a_t = g(t)$ or $a_t = g(\log(\text{tr}(R_t)))$.

Lemma. For the model (1), assume that $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})$ is stable and $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S}) - \mathbf{I}/2$ is strictly positive real. Then the **CWLS** (8) -(12) has the following properties:

$$\| \mathbf{R}_t^{1/2}(\theta_t - \theta) \|^2 \leq M \quad (3)$$

$$\int_0^\infty a_t \| (\theta_t - \theta)^T \Phi_t \|^2 dt < \infty \quad (4)$$

$$\int_0^\infty a_t \| \Phi_t - \Phi_t^0 \|^2 dt < \infty \quad (5)$$

where $M = k + \Delta$, k is a positive constant and Δ is defined in (2).

Remark. The properties (3) and (4) were presented in [11] already. It is convenient to list all them here together with our other new results.

Proof of Lemma.

For $t \geq 0$, let

$$\bar{\theta}_t = \theta - \theta_t \quad (6)$$

$$\bar{v}_t = v_t - \hat{v}_t \quad (7)$$

$$\bar{\Phi}_t = \Phi_t^0 - \Phi_t. \quad (8)$$

From system equation (1) we know

$$y_t = \mathbf{S}\theta^T \Phi_t^0 + v_t \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} dy_t &= \theta^T \Phi_t^0 + dv_t = \theta^T (\Phi_t^0 - \Phi_t) + \theta^T \Phi_t + dv_t \\ &= \theta^T \bar{\Phi}_t + \theta^T \Phi_t + dv_t \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta^T \bar{\Phi}_t &= dy_t - \theta^T \Phi_t - dv_t = dy_t - \theta_t^T \Phi_t + (\theta_t - \theta)^T \Phi_t dt - dv_t \\ &= d\hat{v}_t - (\theta - \theta_t)^T \Phi_t dt - dv_t \quad (by(12)) \\ &= -d(v_t - \hat{v}_t) - \bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t dt = -d\bar{v}_t - \bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t dt. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \theta^T \bar{\Phi}_t dt + d\bar{v}_t &= -\bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t dt \\ \theta^T \bar{\Phi}_t + \frac{d\bar{v}_t}{dt} &= -\bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

By (6), (7) we get, $\bar{\Phi}_t = [0, \dots, 0, \dots, 0, \bar{v}_t^T, \mathbf{S}\bar{v}_t^T, \dots, \mathbf{S}^{r-1}\bar{v}_t^T]^T$. Therefore (12) becomes

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S}) \frac{d\bar{v}_t}{dt} = -\bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t. \quad (13)$$

Define

$$h_t = \bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t, g_t = \frac{\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S}) - \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})}{\mathbf{S}} \bar{v}_t + h_t/2 \quad (14)$$

Then (13) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S}) \frac{d\bar{v}_t}{dt} &= -h_t \\ \frac{d\bar{v}_t}{dt} &= -\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S})h_t \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_t &= \frac{\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S}) - \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})}{\mathbf{S}} \bar{v}_t + h_t/2 = \frac{\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S}) - \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})}{\mathbf{S}} \mathbf{S}(-\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S})h_t) + h_t/2 \\ &= -h_t + \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S})h_t + h_t/2 = (\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S}) - \mathbf{I}/2)h_t \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

From algorithms (8) – (12) and (6)

$$\begin{aligned}
d\bar{\theta}_t &= -a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})(dy_t^T - \Phi_t^T \theta_t dt) - a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) d\hat{v}_t^T \quad (\text{by (12)}) \\
&= -a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})(dv_t - d\bar{v}_t)^T = -a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t (\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) dv_t - \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) d\bar{v}_t)^T \\
&= -a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t (dw_t - d\bar{v}_t - \mathbf{D}_1 \bar{v}_t dt - \dots - \mathbf{D}_r \mathbf{S}^{r-1} \bar{v}_t dt)^T.
\end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

By (15)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S}) d\bar{v}_t &= -h_t dt \\
d\bar{v}_t + \mathbf{C}_1 \bar{v}_t dt + \dots + \mathbf{C}_r \mathbf{S}^{r-1} \bar{v}_t dt &= -h_t dt \\
-d\bar{v}_t &= \mathbf{C}_1 \bar{v}_t dt + \dots + \mathbf{C}_r \mathbf{S}^{r-1} \bar{v}_t dt + h_t dt.
\end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

Hence from (17) and (18)

$$\begin{aligned}
d\bar{\theta}_t &= -a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t (dw_t + \mathbf{C}_1 \bar{v}_t dt + \dots + \mathbf{C}_r \mathbf{S}^{r-1} \bar{v}_t dt \\
&\quad + h_t dt - \mathbf{D}_1 \bar{v}_t dt - \dots - \mathbf{D}_r \mathbf{S}^{r-1} \bar{v}_t dt)^T \\
&= -a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t (h_t dt + \frac{\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S}) - \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})}{\mathbf{S}} \bar{v}_t dt + dw_t)^T \\
&= -a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t (g_t dt + h_t dt/2 + dw_t)^T \quad (\text{by (13)}).
\end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Now we want to estimate the differential of $tr \bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t$. By the strictly positive real condition of $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S}) - \mathbf{I}/2$ there exist two positive numbers k_0 and k_1 such that

$$\int_0^t h_s^T (g_s - k_0 h_s) ds + k_1 > 0 \tag{20}$$

By using Ito formula and (19)

$$\begin{aligned}
& d(\text{tr}\bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t) \\
&= \text{tr}\left(\frac{\partial(\bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t)}{\partial \bar{\theta}_t} d\bar{\theta}_t\right) + \text{tr}\left(\frac{\partial(\bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t)}{\partial t} dt\right) \\
&+ \text{tr}\left\{\frac{\partial^2(\bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t)}{\partial^2 \bar{\theta}_t} (-a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t)(-a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t)^T\right\}/2dt \\
&= \text{tr}\{(\bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t + \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t) d\bar{\theta}_t\} \\
&+ \text{tr}\{\bar{\theta}_t^T \frac{d\mathbf{R}_t}{dt} \bar{\theta}_t\} + \text{tr}(a_t^2 \Phi_t^T \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t dt) \\
&= 2\text{tr}(\bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t d\bar{\theta}_t) + \text{tr}\bar{\theta}_t^T a_t \Phi_t \Phi_t^T \bar{\theta}_t dt + a_t^2 \Phi_t^T \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Paying attention to (19)

$$\begin{aligned}
& d(\text{tr}\bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t) \\
&= 2\text{tr}\{\bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t (-a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t (g_t dt + h_t/2dt + dw_t)^T)\} \\
&+ \text{tr}\bar{\theta}_t^T a_t \Phi_t \Phi_t^T \bar{\theta}_t dt + a_t^2 \Phi_t^T \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t dt \\
&= -2\text{tr}a_t \bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t g_t^T dt - \text{tr}a_t \bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t h_t^T dt \\
&- 2\text{tr}a_t \bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t dw_t^T + \text{tr}a_t h_t h_t^T dt + a_t^2 \Phi_t^T \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t dt \\
&= -2a_t h_t^T g_t dt - 2a_t h_t^T dw_t + a_t^2 \Phi_t^T \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t dt.
\end{aligned}$$

By integrating both sides of the above equation and the definition of f_t we get

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq \text{tr}\bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t = \bar{\theta}_0^T \mathbf{R}_0 \bar{\theta}_0 + \int_0^t a_s^2 \Phi_s^T \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s ds - 2 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T g_s ds - 2 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T dw_s \\
&= \bar{\theta}_0^T \mathbf{R}_0 \bar{\theta}_0 + \int_0^t a_s^2 f_s ds - 2 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T g_s ds - 2 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T dw_s.
\end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Denote

$$k_2 = \bar{\theta}_0^T \mathbf{R}_0 \bar{\theta}_0, M_t = \int_0^t a_s^2 \Phi_s^T \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s ds$$

where k_2 is a constant number and in the following it will be used to denote any constant. Further by admissible property of the process $a = (a_t, t \geq 0)$,

it is obvious $0 \leq M_t \leq \Delta$, $t \geq 0$, for some random variable M . Also by (20) finally we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& 0 \leq \text{tr} \bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t \\
& \leq k_2 + \Delta - 2 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T g_s ds - 2 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T dw_s \\
& \leq k_2 + \Delta + k_1 - 2k_0 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T h_s ds - 2 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T dw_s \\
& \leq k_2 + \Delta - 2k_0 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T h_s ds - 2 \int_0^t a_s h_s^T dw_s.
\end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Applying the following Itô integral estimation ([9], Lemma 4):

$$\int_0^t \xi_s dw_s = O(1) + o\left(\left(\int_0^t \|\xi_s\|^2 ds\right)^{1/2+k}\right) a.s., k > 0$$

for any predictable process (ξ_s, \mathcal{F}_t) . Let $k = 1/2$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& 0 \leq \text{tr} \bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t \\
& \leq k_2 + \Delta - 2k_0 \int_0^t a_s \|h_s\|^2 ds + O(1) + o\left(\int_0^t a_s \|h_s\|^2 ds\right) \\
& \leq k_2 + M + O(1)
\end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

because $-2k_0 \int_0^t a_s \|h_s\|^2 ds + o\left(\int_0^t a_s \|h_s\|^2 ds\right)$ is negative. Now we use M to denote the new random variable $k_2 + \Delta + O(1)$, hence

$$\|\mathbf{R}_t^{1/2}(\theta_t - \theta)\|^2 \leq M. \tag{24}$$

where M is a random variable, (3) is proved. Further, by (23), its obvious

$$\text{tr} \bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t \leq k_2 + M - (2k_0 - \epsilon) \int_0^t a_s \|h_s\|^2 ds \tag{25}$$

for sufficient large t and sufficient small $\epsilon \geq 0$, hence

$$\int_0^t a_s \|h_s\|^2 ds \leq \frac{\text{tr} \bar{\theta}_t^T \mathbf{R}_t \bar{\theta}_t - (k_2 + \Delta)}{2k_0 - \epsilon} \tag{26}$$

(4) is proved.

By the strictly positive real condition of $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S}) - \mathbf{I}/2$ and stability of $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})$, we know $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S})$ and $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S})$ are stable. Therefore by (26) and Lemma 1 in [7], we have

$$\int_0^\infty a_t \|\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S})h_t\|^2 dt < \infty \quad (27)$$

From (12) and ((15) we get

$$\theta^T \bar{\Phi}_t + \bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t = \mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S})h_t. \quad (28)$$

Hence

$$\theta^T \bar{\Phi}_t = \mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S})h_t - \bar{\theta}_t^T \Phi_t \quad (29)$$

and

$$\int_0^t a_s \|\theta^T \bar{\Phi}_s\|^2 ds \leq 2 \left(\int_0^t a_s \|\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{S})h_t\|^2 ds + \int_0^t a_s \|\theta_s^T \Phi_s\|^2 ds \right) \quad (30)$$

and (5) is proved.

Based on our Lemma, we have the following main results.

Theorem 1. Under the same conditions in Lemma, the **CWLS** described by (8)-(12) has self-convergence property, i.e., θ_t converges almost surely to a finite random vector $\bar{\theta}_t$.

Proof of Theorem 1. From (8) we get

$$\begin{aligned} d\theta_t &= - a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) (dy_t^T - \Phi_t^T \theta_t dt) \\ &= - a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) (\Phi_t^{0T} \theta dt + dv_t^T - \Phi_t^T \theta_t dt) \\ &= - a_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \Phi_t \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) (\bar{\Phi}_t^T \theta dt + \Phi_t^T \bar{\theta}_t dt + dv_t^T). \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

By taking integration on both sides we get

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_0 - \theta_t &= \int_0^t a_s \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \bar{\Phi}_s^T \theta ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t a_s \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \Phi_s^T \bar{\theta}_s ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t a_s \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) dv_s^T. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

By Lemma and Schwarz inequality, we can estimate all three terms on the right side of (32) as following.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \bar{\Phi}_s^T \theta \| ds \\
& \leq \left(\int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s \Phi_s^T \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \| ds \int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \bar{\Phi}_s^T \theta \|^2 ds \right)^{1/2} \\
& \leq \left(\text{tr} \left(\int_0^t a_s \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s \Phi_s^T \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} ds \right) \int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \bar{\Phi}_s^T \theta \|^2 ds \right)^{1/2} \quad (33) \\
& \leq \left((\text{tr}(\mathbf{R}_0^{-1}) - \text{tr}(\mathbf{R}_t^{-1})) \int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \bar{\Phi}_s^T \theta \|^2 ds \right)^{1/2} \\
& \leq \left(\text{tr}(\mathbf{R}_0^{-1}) \int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \bar{\Phi}_s^T \theta \|^2 ds \right)^{1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

together with (5) and the stability of $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})$, it follows that the first term on the right side of (32) is convergent.

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \Phi_s^T \bar{\theta}_s \| ds \\
& \leq \left(\int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s \Phi_s^T \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \| ds \int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \Phi_s^T \bar{\theta}_s \|^2 ds \right)^{1/2} \quad (34) \\
& \leq \left(\text{tr}(\mathbf{R}_0^{-1}) \int_0^t \| a_s \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) \Phi_s^T \bar{\theta}_s \|^2 ds \right)^{1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

and together with (4) and stability of $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S})$, we know the second term on the right side of (32) is convergent. Finally the last term on the right side of (32) converges because of (2) and

$$\int_0^t \| a_s^2 \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \Phi_s \Phi_s^T \mathbf{R}_s^{-1} \| ds < \text{tr}(\mathbf{R}_0^{-1}).$$

Therefore the self-convergence property of **CWLS** has been proved.

Furthermore, by Lemma it follows that the **CWLS** is almost sure consistency to the true parameter.

Theorem 2. Under the same conditions as in Lemma, the **CWLS** is strongly consistent on $I = \{ \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{\min} \mathbf{R}_t = \infty \}$ to the true parameters and

$$\| \theta_t - \theta \|^2 = O((\lambda_{\min} \mathbf{R}_t)^{-1}) \text{ a.s.} \quad (35)$$

Theorem 2 follows directly from (3).

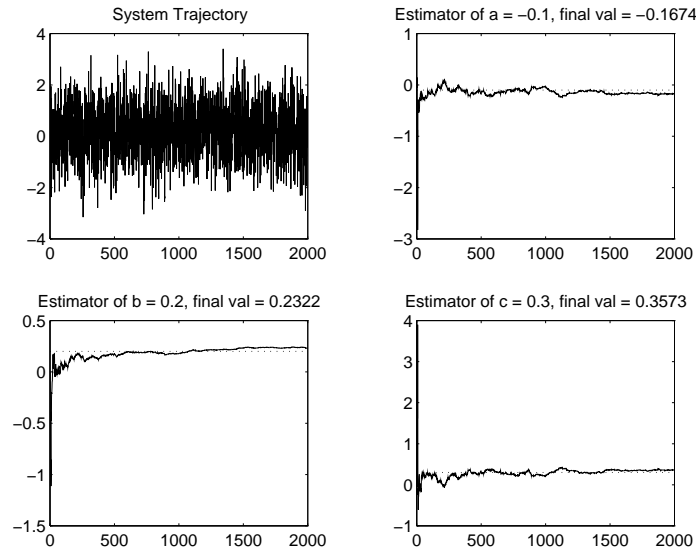


Fig. 1: Discrete-time ELS algorithm

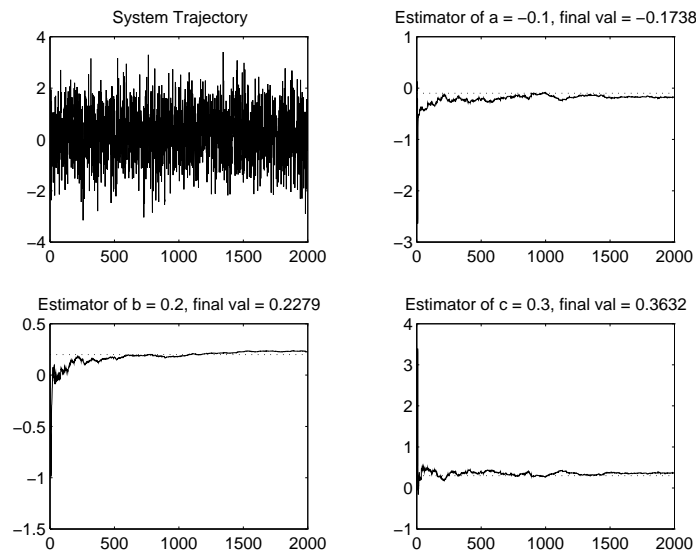


Fig. 2: Discrete-time WLS algorithm

4. Simulation

In this section we simulate both the **WLS** and the **CWLS** algorithms and also compare them with discrete **ELS** and **CELS** algorithms.

For a discrete-time model, we simulate the **ELS algorithm** in [1] and the **WLS** in [5] for $p = q = r = 1, a = -0.1, b = 0.2, c = 0.3, \theta_0 = 0$. The weighting sequence for **WLS** is $a_n = (\log(\text{trace}(S_n)))^{-1.1}$. The results are shown in figure 1 and 2 for **ELS** and **WLS**, respectively. Then we choose one example $y_{n+1} = a + bu_n + w_{n+1}$ which was constructed in [10]. Figure 3 and 4 show that under the same control law **ELS** diverges but **WLS** converges for this example. This is the self-convergence property of **WLS** which **ELS** is lack of.

For a continuous-time model, we simulate the **CELS** (see [7] and [8]) and our **CWLS** for $p = q = 1, r = 0, \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{S}) = 1 + a\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{S}) = b\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{S}) = \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}) = 1$ and $\theta_0 = 0$. The weighting process for **CWLS** is chosen as $a_t = (\log(\text{trace}(R_t)))^{-1.1}$. The convergence results are shown in figure 5 and 6 for continuous **ELS** and **CWLS** respectively. Similar to the discrete case, we also show one example in Figure 7 and Figure 8 where **CWLS** converges and **CELS** diverges.

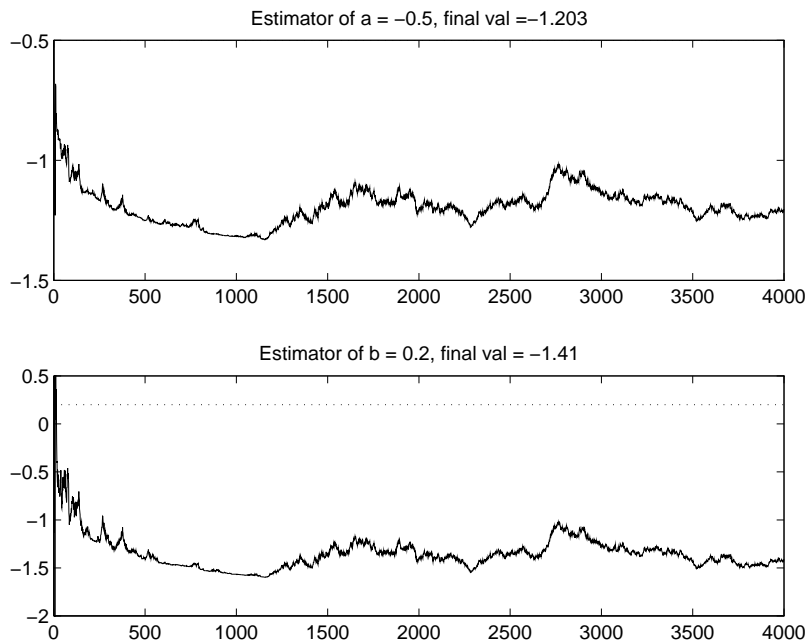


Fig. 3: Divergence Discrete -time ELS

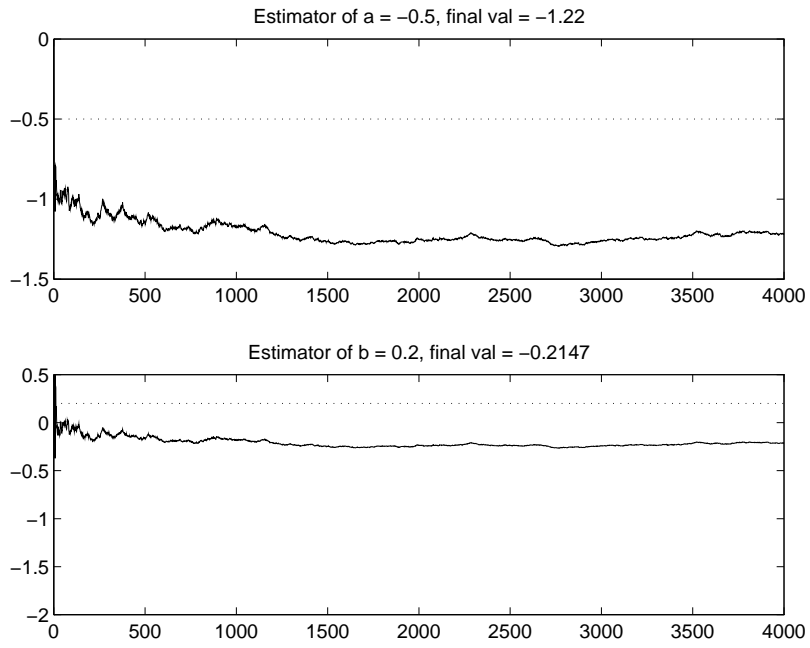


Fig. 4: Convergence Discrete-time WLS

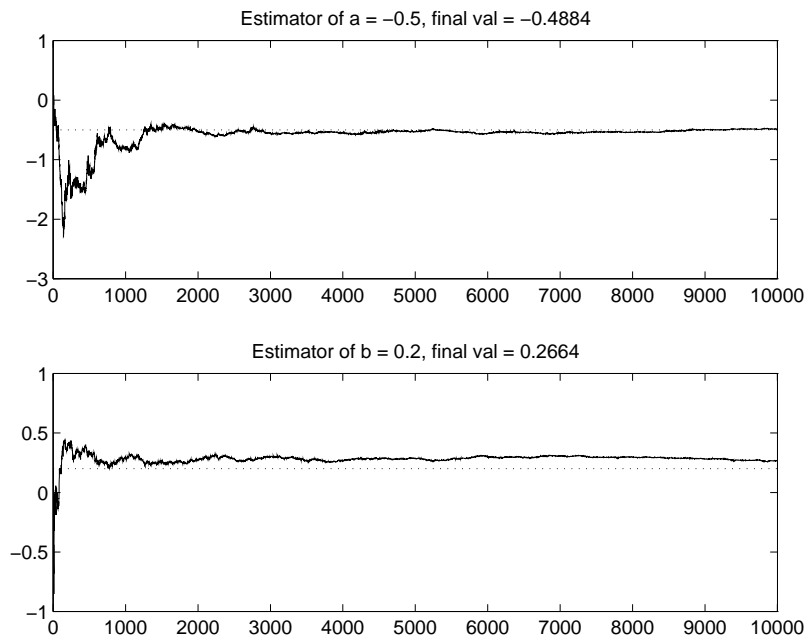


Fig. 5: Continuous-time ELS algorithm

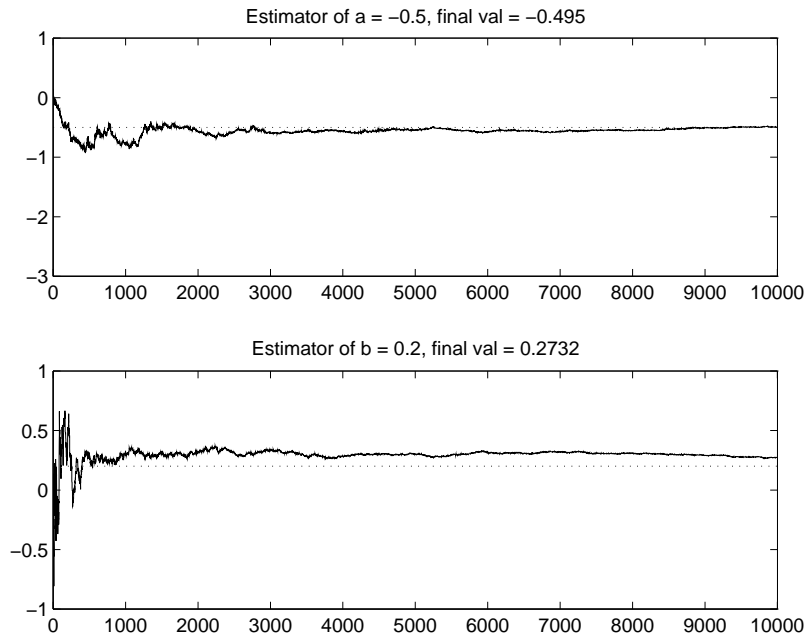


Fig. 6: Continuous-time WLS algorithm

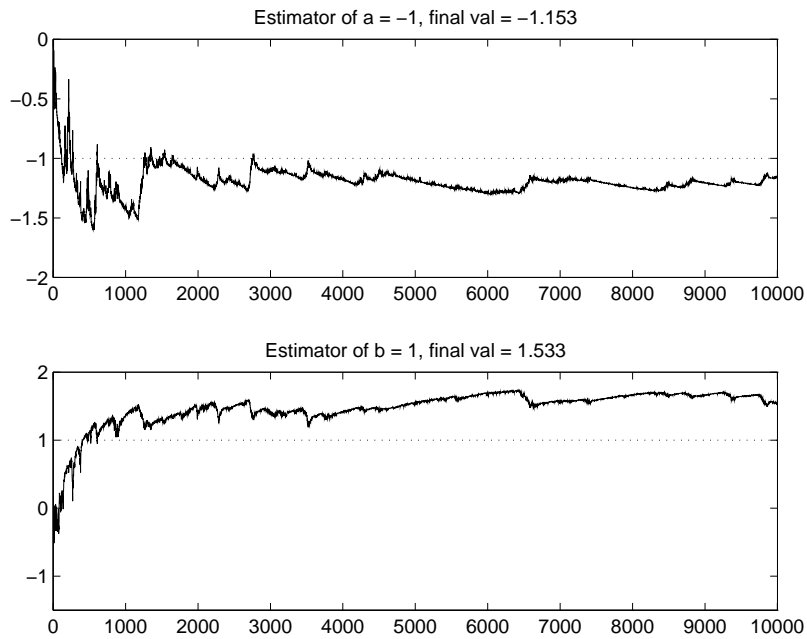


Fig. 7: Divergence Continuous-time ELS

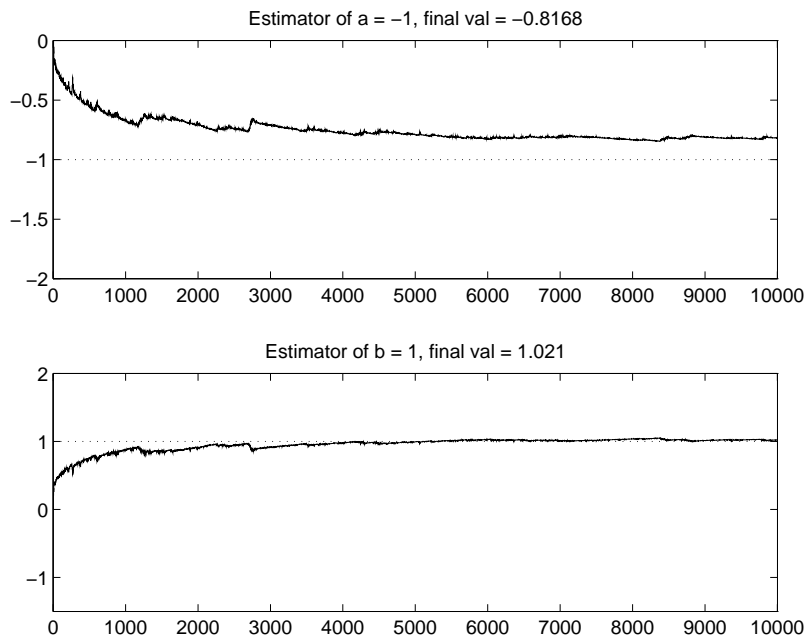


Fig. 8: Convergence Continuous-time WLS

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