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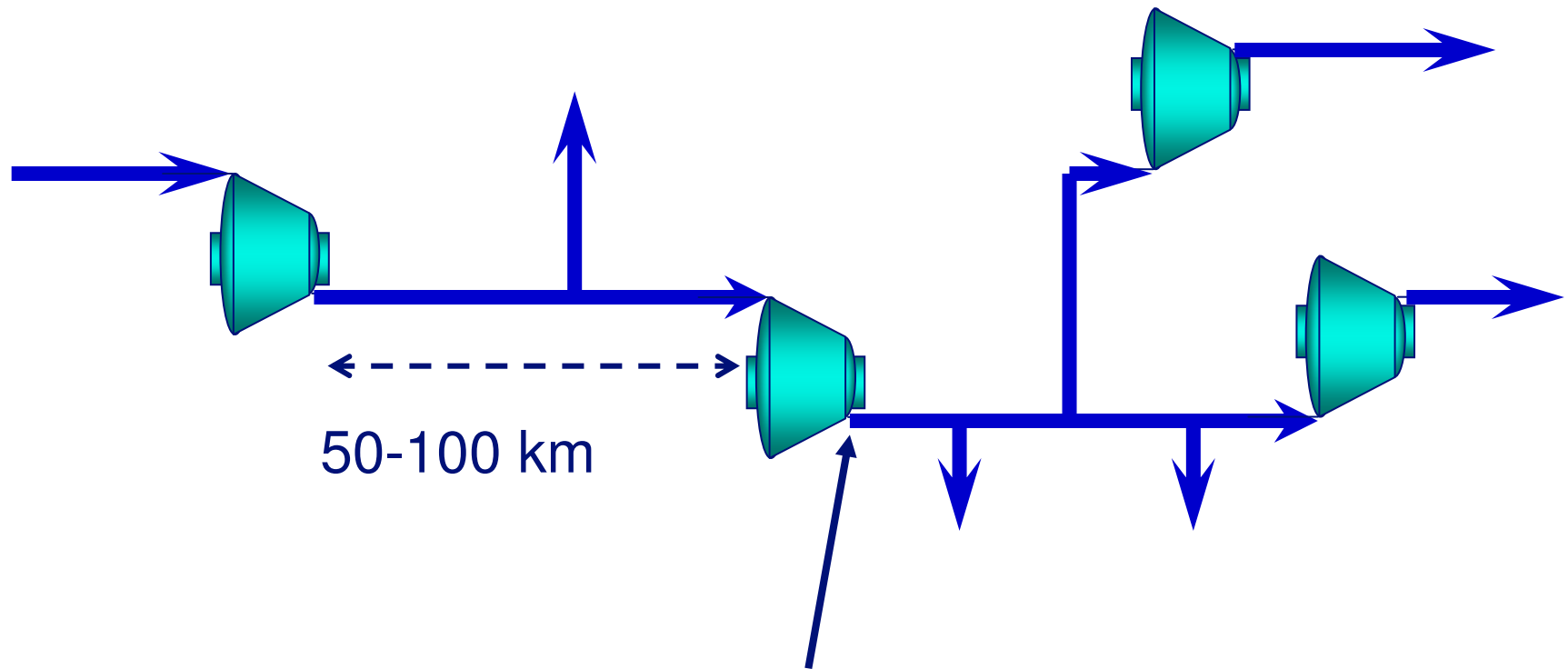
**” Model Reduction applied on Natural Gas Pipeline
Systems ”**

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Main pipeline system components:

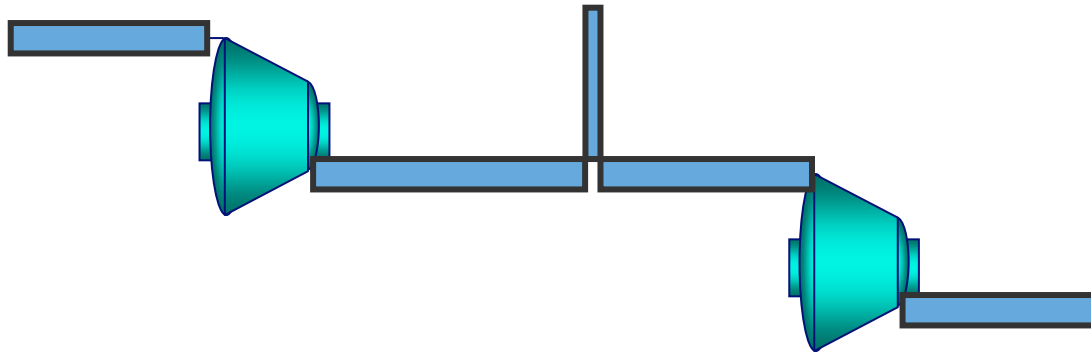
Compressor stations, pipeline segments and offtakes



Compressor station discharge pressures are usually used to operate the pipeline



Start with the PDE for a (=each!) pipeline segment



$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + \frac{b}{A} \frac{\partial q}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} + A \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} + f \frac{b}{DA} \frac{q^2}{P} = 0$$

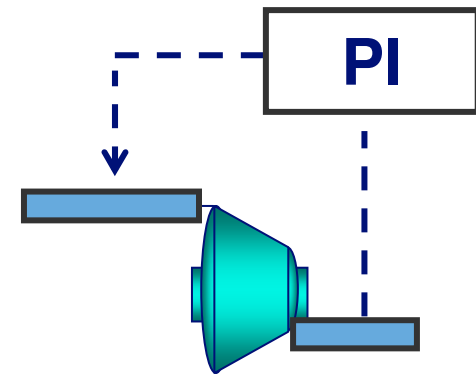
This is the simplest isothermal PDE model for pipelines in the horizontal plane only and with small gas velocities!



Discretize w.r.t to the space co-ordinate z , using N elements (nodes) for *each segment* (!) $i=1,2,\dots,N$

$$\frac{dP_i}{dt} = \frac{b_i}{A_i \Delta z_i} (q_{i-1} - q_i)$$

$$\frac{dq_i}{dt} = \frac{A_i}{\Delta z_i} (P_i - P_{i+1}) - f_i \frac{b_i}{D_i A_i} \frac{q_i^2}{P_i}$$

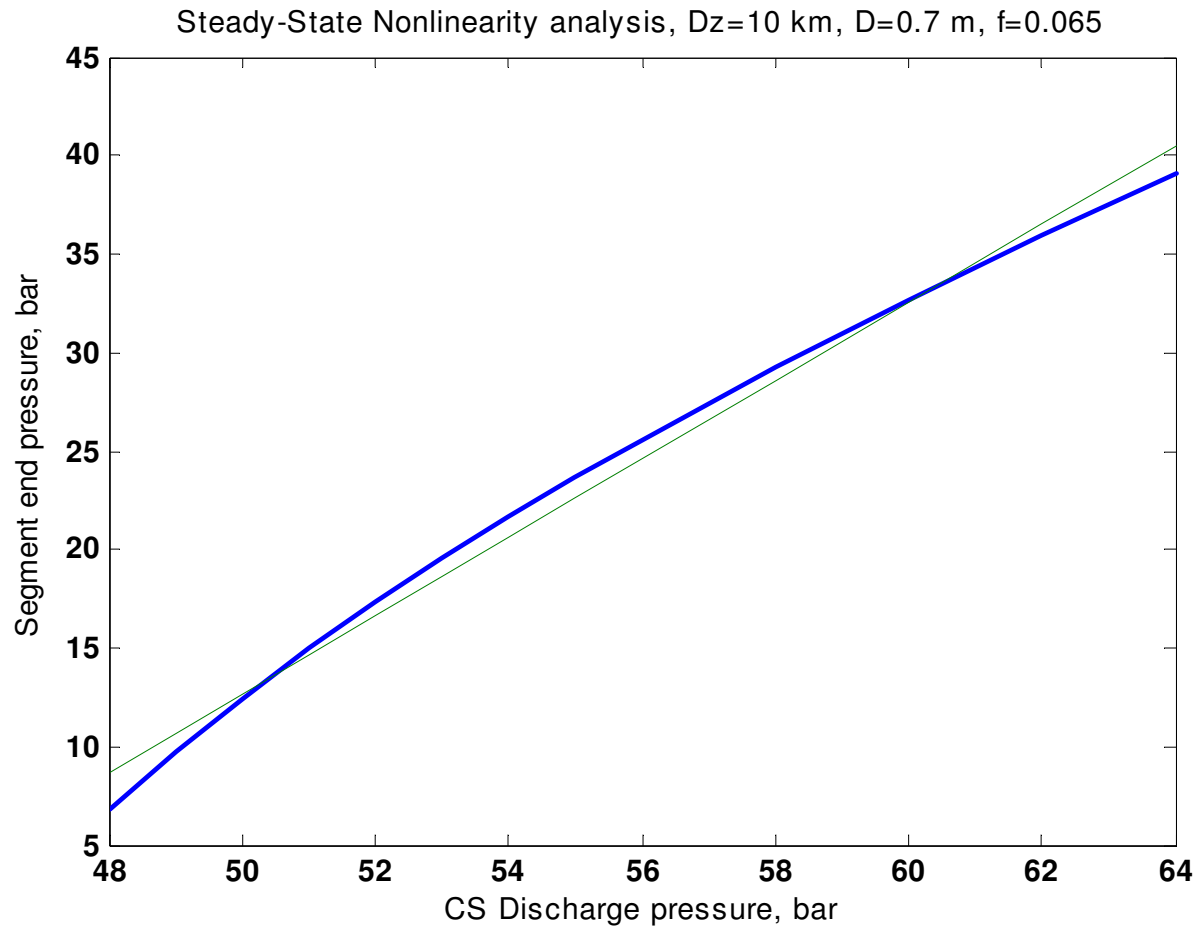


Compressor station between node “k-1” and “k” : PI-controller of discharge pressure manipulating gas flow:

$$\frac{dq_{k-1}}{dt} = -K \beta_k (q_{k-1} - q_k) + \frac{K}{T_i} (P_{k,SET} - P_k)$$



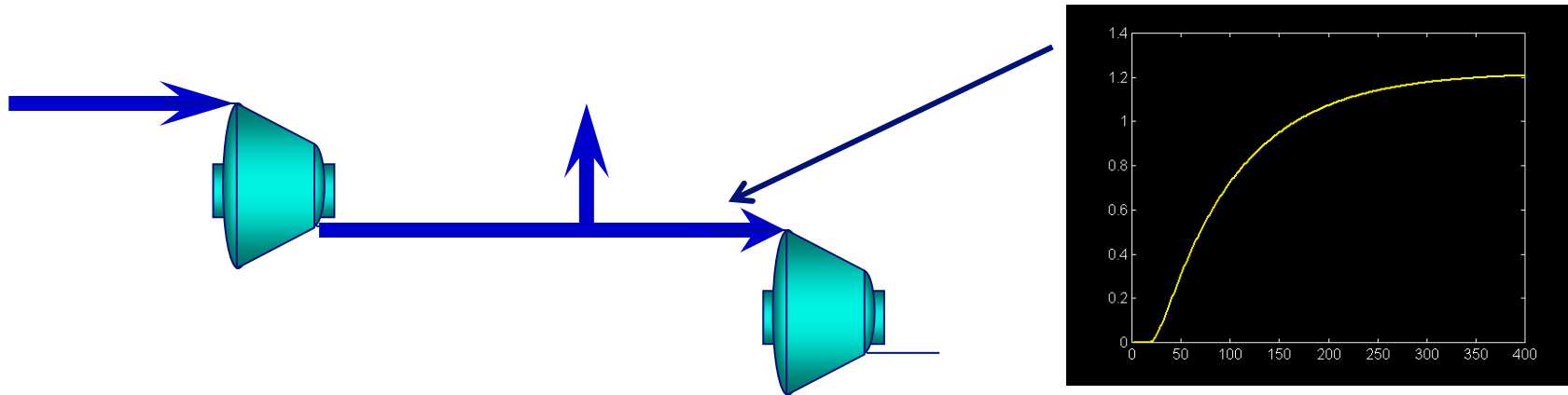
Nonlinearity measure (example)



**1 bar perturbation: @ 48 bar Gain=3.08 , Timeconst. 119 min.
@ 64 bar Gain=1.53 , Timeconst. 59 min.**



Transfer functions from reduced models:



How would we obtain the transfer function between 2 variables of a given pipeline?

- Identify from true pipeline system data
- Identify from dynamic simulator data

“Direct method”: from design data to transfer functions!



... Linearize this large ODE model in a given steady state operating point

$$\frac{d\Delta P_i}{dt} = \alpha_i (\Delta q_{i-1} - \Delta q_i)$$

$$\frac{d\Delta q_i}{dt} = \beta_i (\Delta P_i - \Delta P_{i+1}) - 2\gamma_i \frac{\Delta q_i}{P_{i,SS}} + \gamma_i \frac{q_{i,SS}^2 \Delta P_i}{P_{i,SS}^2}$$

or:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}(t)}{dt} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t),$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t)$$

where $\mathbf{x} \hat{=} [\Delta P_1 \ \Delta q_1 \ \Delta P_2 \ \Delta q_2 \ \dots \ \Delta P_N \ \Delta q_N]^\top$



Matrices **A** ($2N \times 2N$) and **B** ($2N \times m$) depend on the geometry, physical parameters, node partition and steady state data = design (engineering) information

C ($1 \times 2N$) is needed just to select which state variable is of interest

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}(t)}{dt} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t),$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t)$$

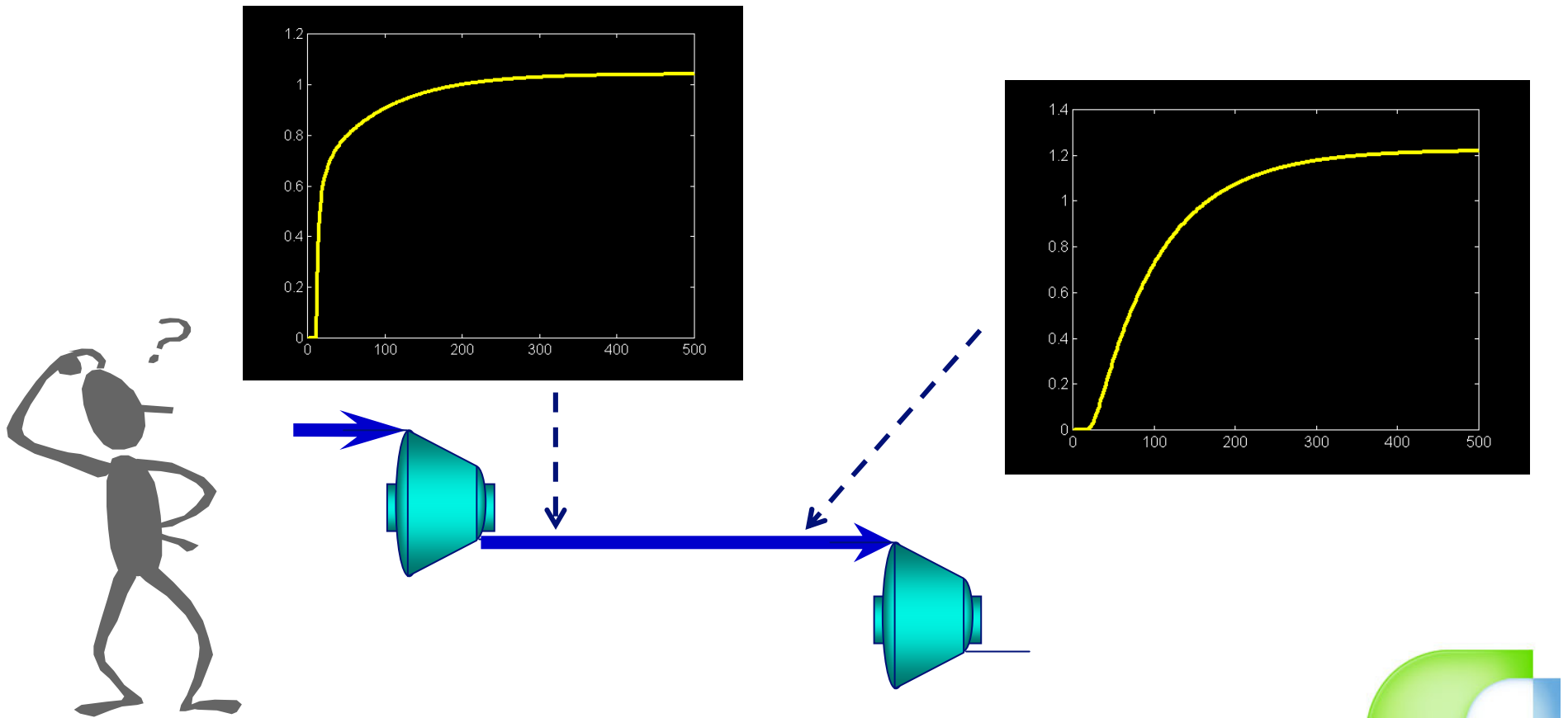
The rest is easy, obtain the transfer function from (A,B,C) using standard methods ???

eg. ss2tf of Matlab

$$G(s) = \frac{K(T_a s + 1)(T_b s + 1)\dots}{(T_1 s + 1)(T_2 s + 1)(T_3 s + 1)\dots}$$



NO! Transfer function from large system is difficult, even if dominating time constants may be obtained. In our case, numerator dynamics has relevance!



=> Use Linear Model Reduction techniques!

Truncation: Solve **P** and **Q** from

$$\mathbf{AP} + \mathbf{PA}^T + \mathbf{BB}^T = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{QA} + \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{0}$$

Compute Hankel singular values

$$\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i(\mathbf{PQ})}$$

Arrange eigenvectors of **PQ** into: a transformation matrix

$$\mathbf{T} = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_{2N}]$$

The upper $N_r \ll 2N$ submatrices of the transformed matrices = a reduced linear state space system

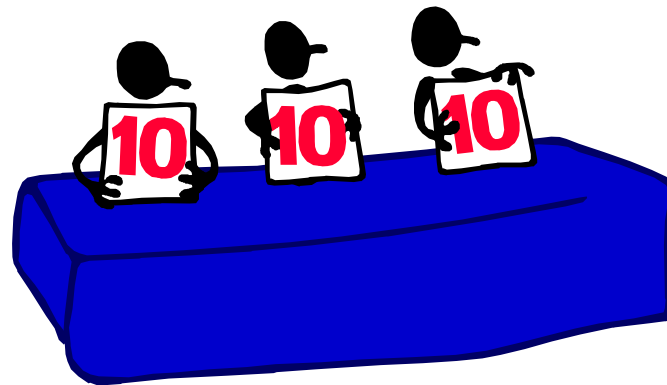
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{T} \hat{=} \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{B} \hat{=} \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{B} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{C}} = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{T} \hat{=} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{V} \end{array} \right.$$



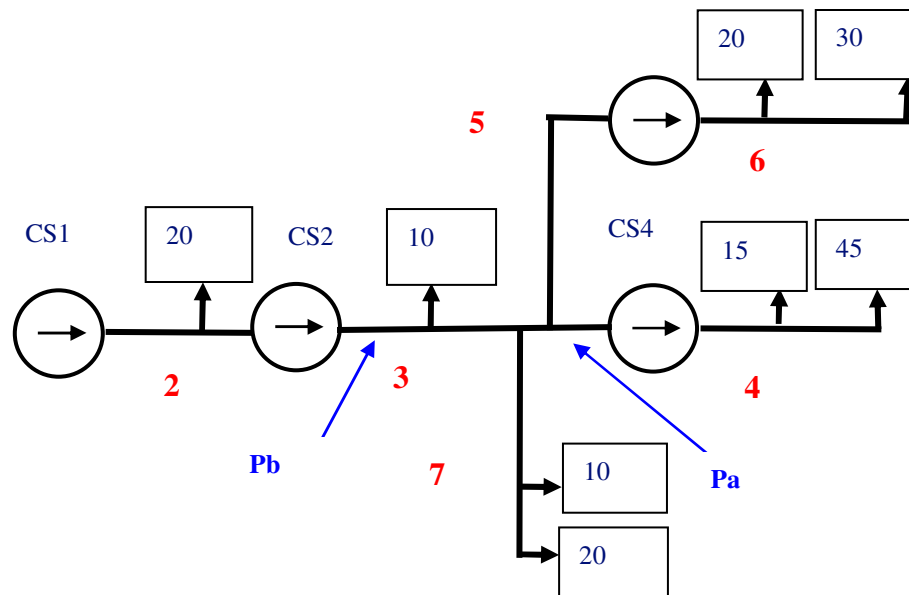
Balanced truncation: \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{Q} required to be diagonal

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Transfer function from reduced model with $N_r = 3 \dots 4$ is easily obtained with standard methods!



Pipeline system w. 6 segments, 8 offtakes, 4 compressor stations and 70 nodes
 => $2N=140$



Transfer function from CS2 discharge pressure to “Pa”, far downstream CS2 [time constant]=minutes!:

$$\frac{1.44(116.9s + 1)}{(117.7s + 1)(190.6s + 1)} \sim \frac{1.44}{(190.6s + 1)}$$

Dito for “Pb”, close to CS2:

$$\frac{1.16(83.5s + 1)}{(11.2s + 1)(183.6s + 1)}$$



Empirical calculation of the Gramians \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{Q}

- Step (impulse) perturbations on the system or on a full-scale simulation model
- After obtaining \mathbf{T} , define a transformed state and apply a Galerkin projection to get a reduced non-linear model:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{u}(t)) \quad , \quad \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{u}(t))$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_r(t) = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{T}^{-1}\bar{\mathbf{x}}(t), \mathbf{u}(t))$$

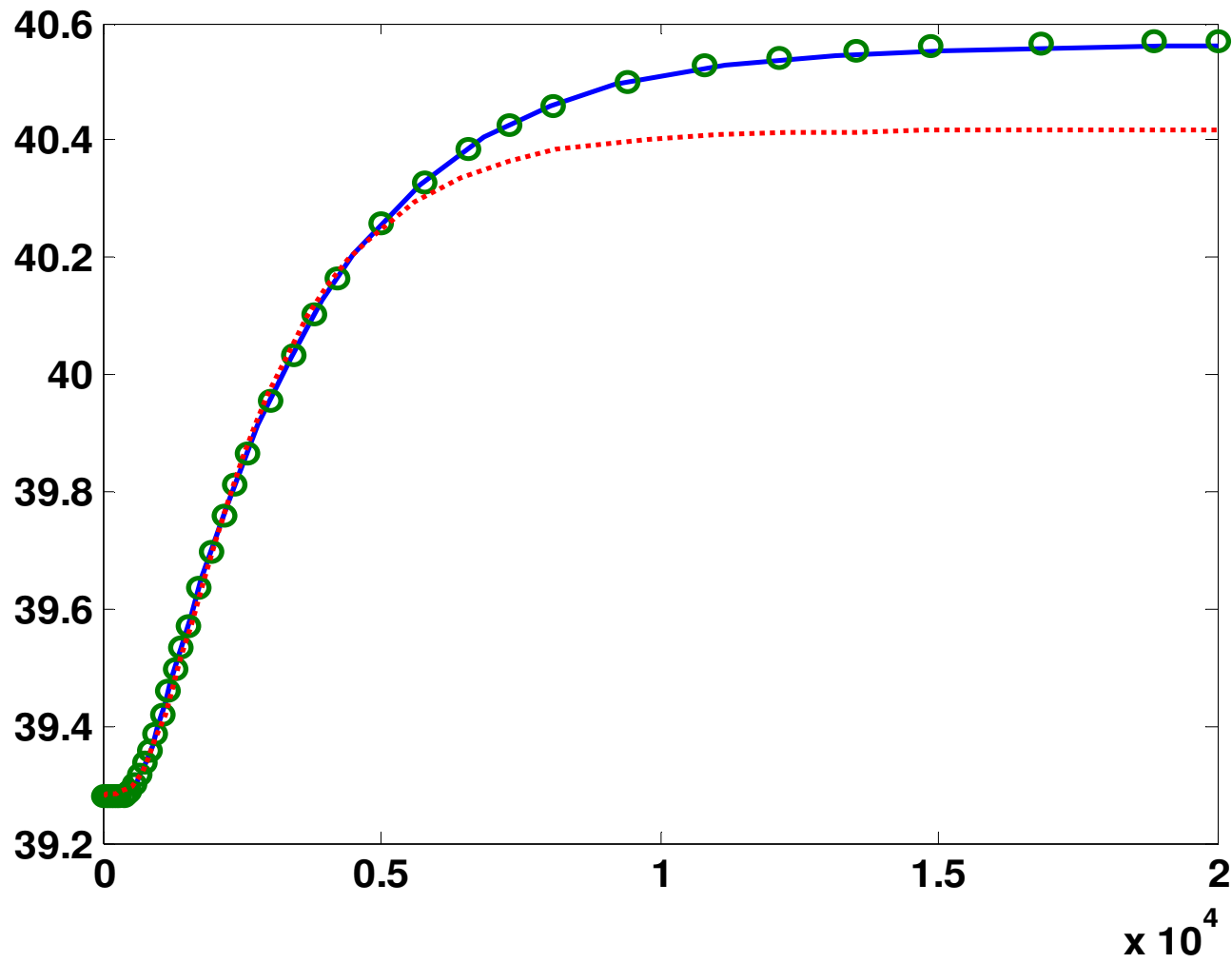
$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{N-r}(t) = 0, \quad \mathbf{x}_{N-r}(t) = \mathbf{x}_{N-r,SS}$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{T}^{-1}\bar{\mathbf{x}}(t), \mathbf{u}(t))$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}(t) \hat{=} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_r \\ \mathbf{x}_{N-r} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{x}(t) \quad , \quad \mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_r & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$



Response of original ODE model for 92 km pipeline with 58 states, reduced nonlinear model $N_r=8$ (circles) and dito with $N_r=4$.



General problem (not necessarily natural gas pipeline):
 We need an EKF for a large non-linear system

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{u}(t))$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}(t))$$

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = \mathbf{f}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t), \mathbf{u}(t)) + \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{y}_M(t) - \mathbf{g}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))]$$

Steady state Riccati equation applies for linearized continuous time system, $\dim(\mathbf{K})=n \times n_y$:

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{C}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P}\mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{Q} - \mathbf{P}\mathbf{C}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{0}$$



All “mappings” in the sequel from a smaller matrix \mathbf{K}_r to a bigger \mathbf{K} , actually mean:

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{K}_r) \hat{=} \mathbf{f}\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_r & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \varepsilon \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix}\right), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

Kalman filter for the reduced model also obeys Riccati:

$$\mathbf{K}_r = \mathbf{P}_r \mathbf{C}_r^T \mathbf{R}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_r \mathbf{P}_r + \mathbf{P}_r \mathbf{A}_r^T + \mathbf{Q}_r - \mathbf{P}_r \mathbf{C}_r^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{C}_r \mathbf{P}_r = \mathbf{0}$$

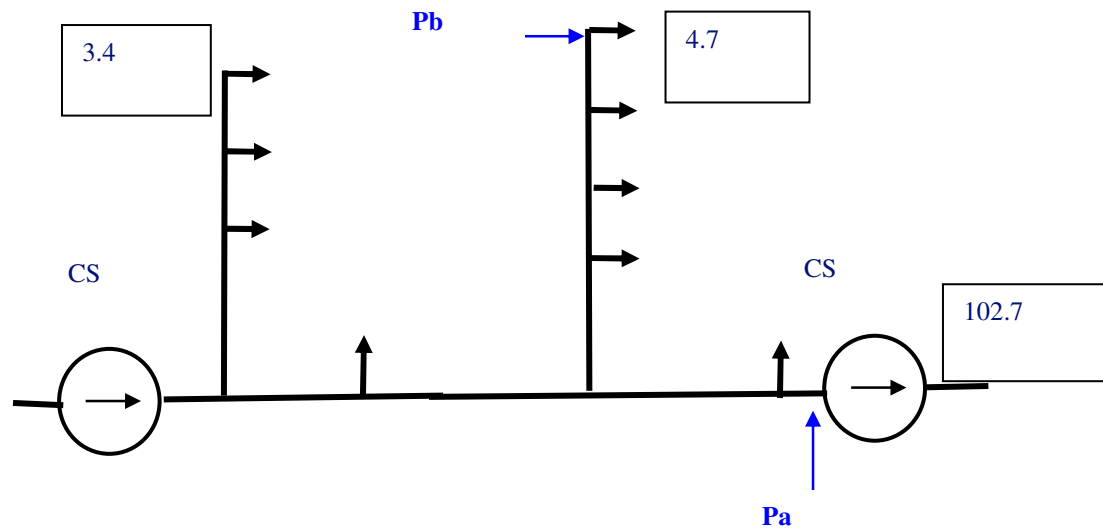
Then, if: $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{K}_r, \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Q}_r \mathbf{W}^T$

The Riccati equation for the full system holds, and:

$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{P}_r \mathbf{W}^T$ **True also for discrete-time system**



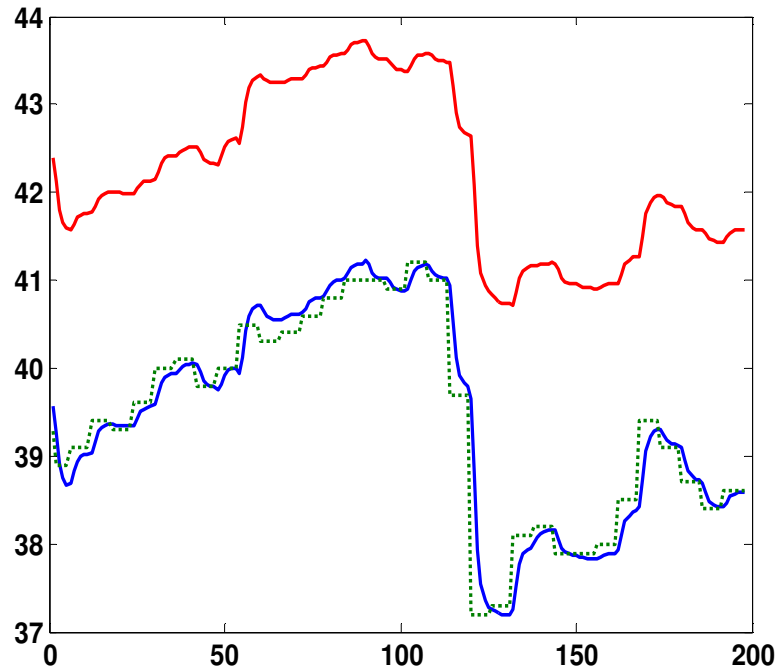
Exmple: 90-km long true pipeline segment:



$\Delta z = 1667 \text{ m} \Rightarrow 82 \text{ elements} = 164 \text{ states}$
 Design Kalman filter for $n_r = 4$ and then scale up $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{V}^* \mathbf{K}_r$
 to obtain state estimator for 164 states



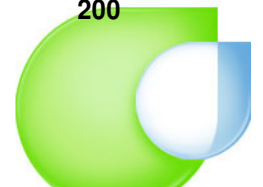
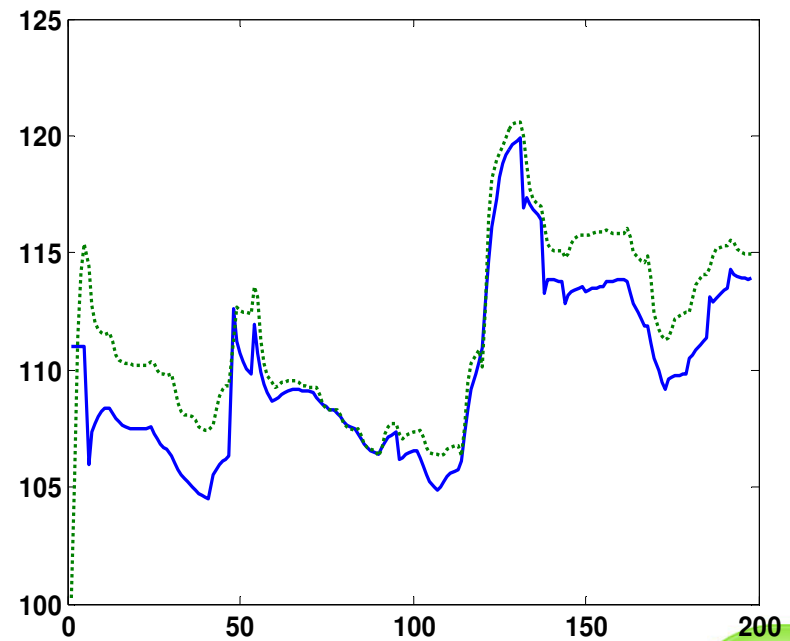
... Results:



Estimated upstream pressure

Estimated P_a
Measured P_a

Estimated gas flow after CS
Simulated gas flow



What if we want to do the EKF exercise but do not have access to the full scale linear n-dimensional system $(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C})$?

Recall:

- Empirical Gramians would give us $\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{V}$ and \mathbf{W}
 - Low dimensional model $(\mathbf{A}_r, \mathbf{B}_r, \mathbf{C}_r)$ could be obtained by identification
- => Do the matrices match, can we do “scale up”
 $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{V} * \mathbf{K}_r$?

Let us borrow some results from discrete-time subspace identification (The state space model realisation part of it)



Use the system impulse response to form a Hankel matrix:

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 & \mathbf{h}_2 & & \mathbf{h}_{N+1} \\ \mathbf{h}_2 & \mathbf{h}_3 & & \mathbf{h}_{N+2} \\ \vdots & & \dots & \\ \mathbf{h}_N & \mathbf{h}_{N+1} & & \mathbf{h}_{2N+2} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{h}_i = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{A}^{i-1}\mathbf{B}$$

Svd of \mathbf{H} , which is actually an estimate from data, \mathbf{H}^\wedge

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{V}^T$$

Choose a model order "r" and partition:

$$\mathbf{Q} = [\mathbf{Q}_r \quad \mathbf{Q}_{N-r}] \quad \mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{V}_r \quad \mathbf{V}_{N-r}]$$



S_r is a diagonal matrix with r principal singular values.
 Observability and Controllability matrix estimates:

$$\Gamma_N = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C} \\ \mathbf{CA} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{CA}^{N-1} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q}_r \mathbf{S}_r^{1/2} \quad \Omega_N = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{AB} & \dots & \mathbf{AB}^{N-1} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{S}_r^{1/2} \mathbf{V}_r^T$$

Read \mathbf{C} , actually \mathbf{C}_r from Γ_N and \mathbf{B}_r from Ω_N

For \mathbf{A} , actually \mathbf{A}_r , apply the "shift invariance" $\Gamma_N = \Gamma_{N-1} \mathbf{A}$

Solve \mathbf{A} using pseudo-inverse



Actually we have done a **balanced truncation!**

- Using \mathbf{H} , make a full state dimension model with $r \rightarrow n < N$:
 - $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{\Omega}_N \mathbf{\Omega}_N^T$
 - $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{\Gamma}_N^T \mathbf{\Gamma}_N$
 - Calculate \mathbf{A}_n , \mathbf{B}_n and \mathbf{C}_n as above = **linearization!**
 - Calculate \mathbf{T} (as above), call $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{T}^{-T}$ and $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{T}$
- Use \mathbf{W} and \mathbf{V} for a lower-dimensional model $r < n$:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{A}_r = \tilde{\mathbf{A}}(1:n_r, 1:n_r) \quad \text{etc.}$$

r :th order model can also be obtained by repeating the realisation procedure.

NOTE, that \mathbf{V} is needed to do the "scale up" for the Kalman filter



Impulse response data from a simulation model = no noise
problem = should work, but non-linearity may harm

Fix: Discrete-time EKF innovations part to be combined
with continuous-time non-linear model

Find weak points of "scale up" procedure, some horrible
counter-example etc.

Subspace realisation for a large full order linear (=n)
system may be tough; almost redundant states etc.



Thank You!

