

A State-Shared Model Predictive Control Approach to Transition Control

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Objectives

Assume the operating space is large and there are many operating points.

- Given the transfer functions of all known operating points - develop one non-minimal realization.
- At any other point - develop a non-minimal identifier with the same structure as the non-minimal realization.
- Non-minimal realization OR non-minimal identifier:
state-shared model
All models share the same state-space representation
- Model-based control
State-shared model + measurement equations
- Application
MIMO nonlinear chemical reactor

MIMO linear system properties

Theorem 1 $H(s)$ is realizable as the transfer function matrix of a linear time-invariant system given by

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

$$y = Cx + Du$$

if and only if $H(s)$ is a proper rational matrix. If D is the null matrix, then $H(s)$ is a strictly proper rational matrix.

$H(s)$ can be written as a matrix fraction description,

$$H(s) = D^{-1}(s)N(s), \quad D(s) = d(s)I_p$$

where $d(s) = s^n + d_1s^{n-1} + \dots + d_n$, is the least common multiple of the denominators of $H(s)$ and degree of $d(s)$, $\deg d(s) = n$

Lemma 1 (Row degree of Proper Transfer Functions) If $H(s)$ is a strictly proper (proper) transfer function and the left MFD is given by

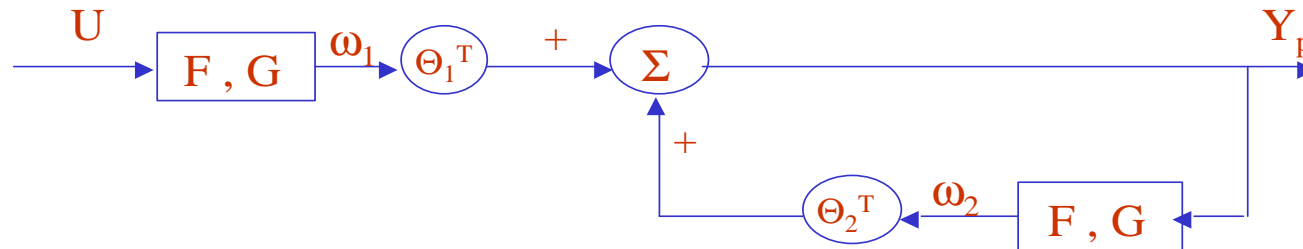
$$H(s) = D^{-1}(s)N(s)$$

then every row of $N(s)$ has degree strictly less than (less than or equal to) that of the corresponding row of $D(s)$.

Kailath, Linear Systems, 1980

Antsaklis and Michel, Linear Systems, 1997

Non-minimal realization



Theorem 2 Any controllable and observable m -input m -output LTI system is input-output equivalent to the LTI system described by the differential equations

$$\dot{\omega}_1 = F\omega_1 + GU \quad \omega_1 \in R^{nm \times 1}$$

$$\dot{\omega}_2 = F\omega_2 + GY_p \quad \omega_2 \in R^{nm \times 1}$$

$$Y_p = \Theta^T \omega \quad \text{measurement}$$

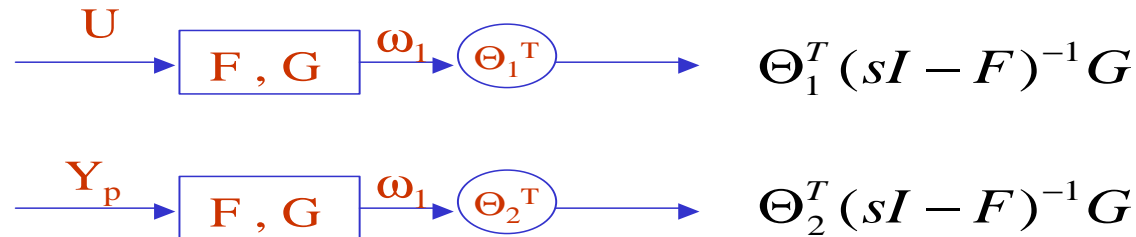
by suitable choice of the parameter vector $\Theta \in R^{2nm \times m}$. The pair (F, G) should be controllable, $F \in R^{nm \times nm}$ is an asymptotically stable matrix, and $G \in R^{nm \times m}$.

Narendra & Annaswamy, *Stable Adaptive Systems*, 1989

Similar theorem for SISO systems.

Uniqueness of model parameters

Corollary 1 Given $N(s)$ and $D(s)$, the parameter vector $\Theta^T = [\Theta_1^T \ \Theta_2^T]$ ($\Theta_1, \Theta_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{nm \times m}$) exists and is uniquely determined.



$$Y_p(s) = \Theta_1^T (sI - F)^{-1} G U(s) + \Theta_2^T (sI - F)^{-1} G Y_p(s)$$

$$\Phi_I \equiv (sI - F)^{-1} G$$

$$U(s) \rightarrow Y_p(s) = H(s) = (I - \Theta_2^T \Phi_I)^{-1} (\Theta_1^T \Phi_I)$$

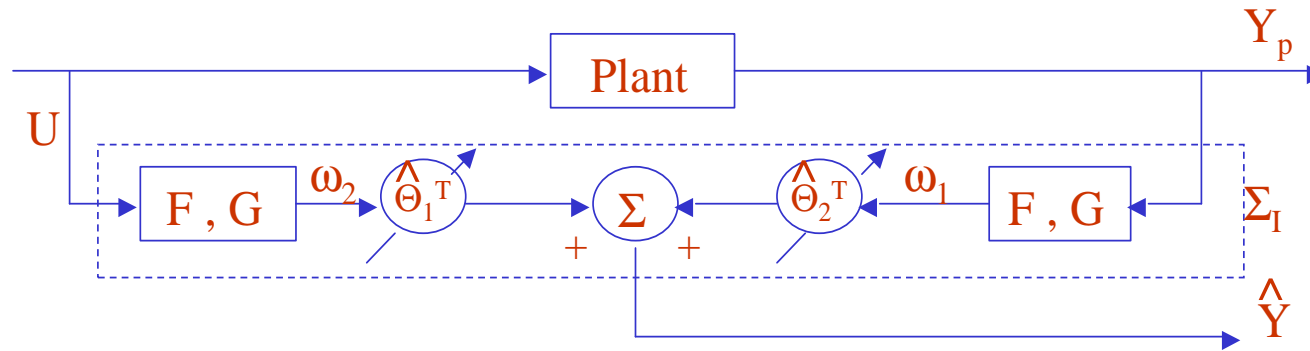
$$\Omega_I(s) \equiv \det(sI - F) = s^n + a_n s^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 s + a_1$$

$$H(s) \equiv D^{-1}(s)N(s) = (D(s)/\Omega_I(s))^{-1} (N(s)/\Omega_I(s))$$

Equivalently

$$I - \Theta_2^T \Phi_I = \frac{D(s)}{\Omega_I(s)} \qquad \Theta_1^T \Phi_I = \frac{N(s)}{\Omega_I(s)}$$

Non-minimal identifier



Identify the measurement equation parameters $\hat{\Theta}$

Measured signals: U and Y_p

Non-minimal realization form

Define

Parameter errors $\tilde{\Theta} \equiv \hat{\Theta} - \Theta$

Model errors $\tilde{Y} \equiv \hat{Y} - Y_p$

Lyapunov function $V = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\Theta}^T \tilde{\Theta} > 0$

It can be proven

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{Y}(t) = 0, \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\Theta}(t) = \Theta$$

Adaptation convergence analysis

Barbălat's Lemma: if the infinity norm of a uniform continuous function is bounded then the function will asymptotically approach 0.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t |f(\tau)| d\tau < \infty$$
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = 0$$

Proposition 1 If $g \in \mathcal{L}^\infty$ and $\dot{g} \in \mathcal{L}^\infty$, then g^2 is uniformly continuous.

Corollary 2 If $g \in \mathcal{L}^2 \cap \mathcal{L}^\infty$, and $\dot{g} \in \mathcal{L}^\infty$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) = 0$

Parameter adaptation

MIMO normalized least-squares

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\theta}_1 &= -g \frac{P\omega e_1}{1 + \gamma\omega^T P\omega} & g, \gamma > 0 \\ \dot{\theta}_2 &= -g \frac{P\omega e_2}{1 + \gamma\omega^T P\omega} & g, \gamma > 0 \\ \dots & \dots \\ \dot{\theta}_m &= -g \frac{P\omega e_m}{1 + \gamma\omega^T P\omega} & g, \gamma > 0 \\ \dot{P} &= -g \frac{P\omega\omega^T P}{1 + \gamma\omega^T P\omega} & P(0) > 0\end{aligned}$$

$\hat{\Theta}_j = [\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_m]_{nm \times m}$: **parameter matrix**

$\tilde{Y}_j = [e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m]_{m \times 1}^T$: **model-plant mismatch.**

State-shared model (SSM)

Non-minimal realization or non-minimal identifier = SSM

- State-shared state space model for MIMO system:

$$\dot{\omega}_1 = F\omega_1 + GY_p$$

$$\dot{\omega}_2 = F\omega_2 + GU$$

- All models share the same states - $\omega(t)$
- Driven by measurement signals: Y_p, U
- Measurement equation: different parameter values

$$Y_j = \hat{\Theta}_{1j}^T \omega_1 + \hat{\Theta}_{2j}^T \omega_2$$

$$\hat{\Theta}_j \equiv [\hat{\Theta}_{1j}^T, \hat{\Theta}_{2j}^T]^T$$

$$j = 1, \dots, N$$

A selection of pair (F, G)

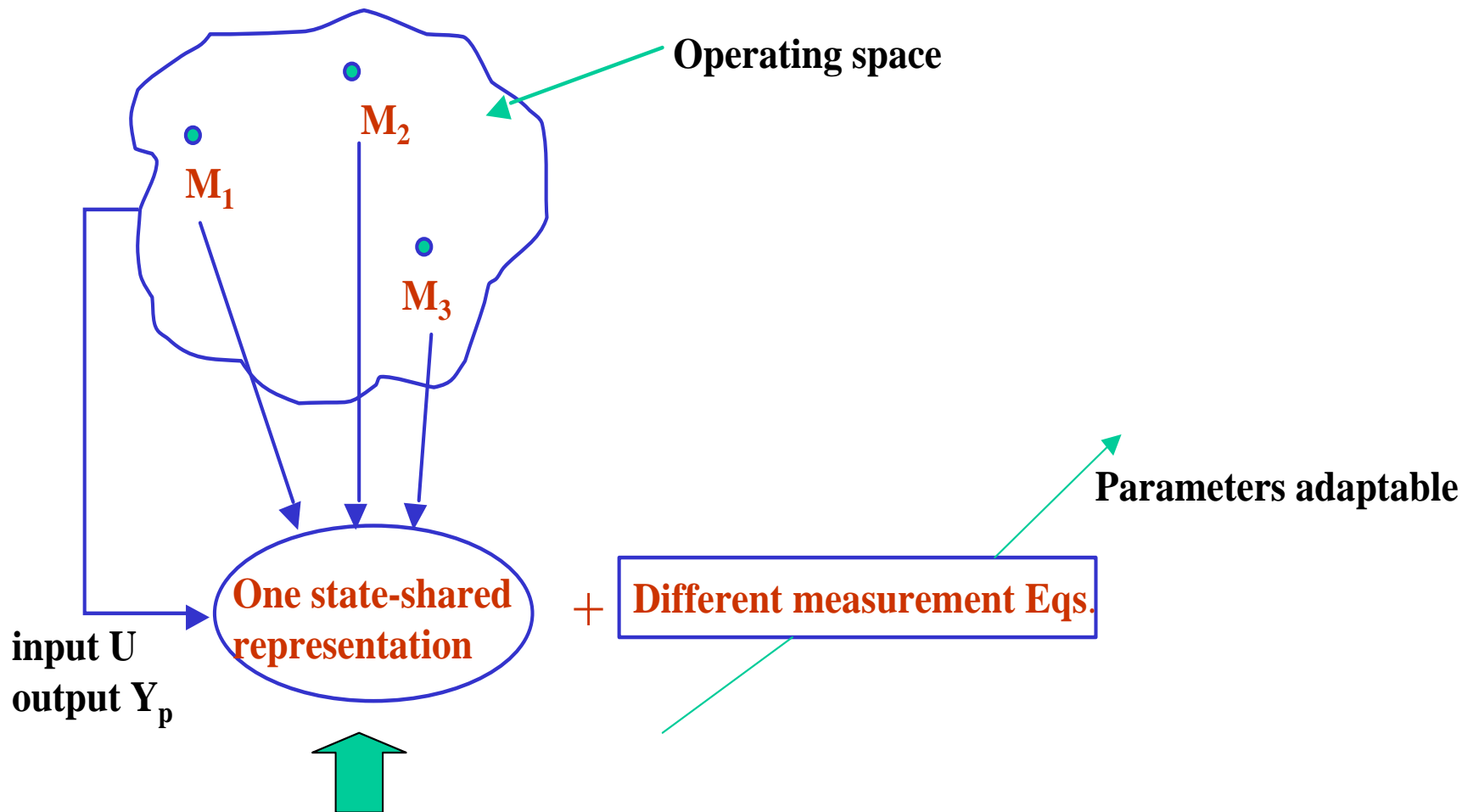
Let F be chosen as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ -a_1 & -a_2 & -a_3 & \dots & -a_n \\ & & & \dots & \\ & & & & \dots \\ & & & & & \dots \\ & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & & & & 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & & & & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ & & & & & & -a_1 & -a_2 & -a_3 & \dots & -a_n \end{bmatrix}_{nm \times nm}$$

Application: Transition control in a large operating space

- **Transition**
 - Production rate change
 - Grade changeover
 - Disturbance or parameter change
 - Startup or shutdown
- **Controller Performance**
 - Stable response during the transition
 - Fast response
 - Accurate response
- **Operability and Economic Performance**
 - Reduce the amount of off-spec products
 - Minimize lost production capacity
 - Shorten transition time
 - Minimize utility costs

Transition control - Multiple models



Reduce the number of the models to a manageable size

Requirements on modeling

- Model (fixed) at each known operating state
— non-minimal realization
- At any other point (transition) — non-minimal identifier
- Together — State-shared model (SSM)
- Controller should be implementable (low order)
— Balanced truncation method (Burl, Linear Optimal Control, 1999).

Advantages

- No assumption that the fixed models cover the large operating space
- SSM: reduces the number of fixed models
- SSM: reduces computational burden

Model reduction

Definition 1 Balanced realization of state space model if the controllability and observability grammians are the same and diagonal, i.e.,

$$W_C = W_O = \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & 0 \\ & \sigma_2 & & \\ & & \dots & \\ 0 & & & \sigma_n \end{bmatrix}$$

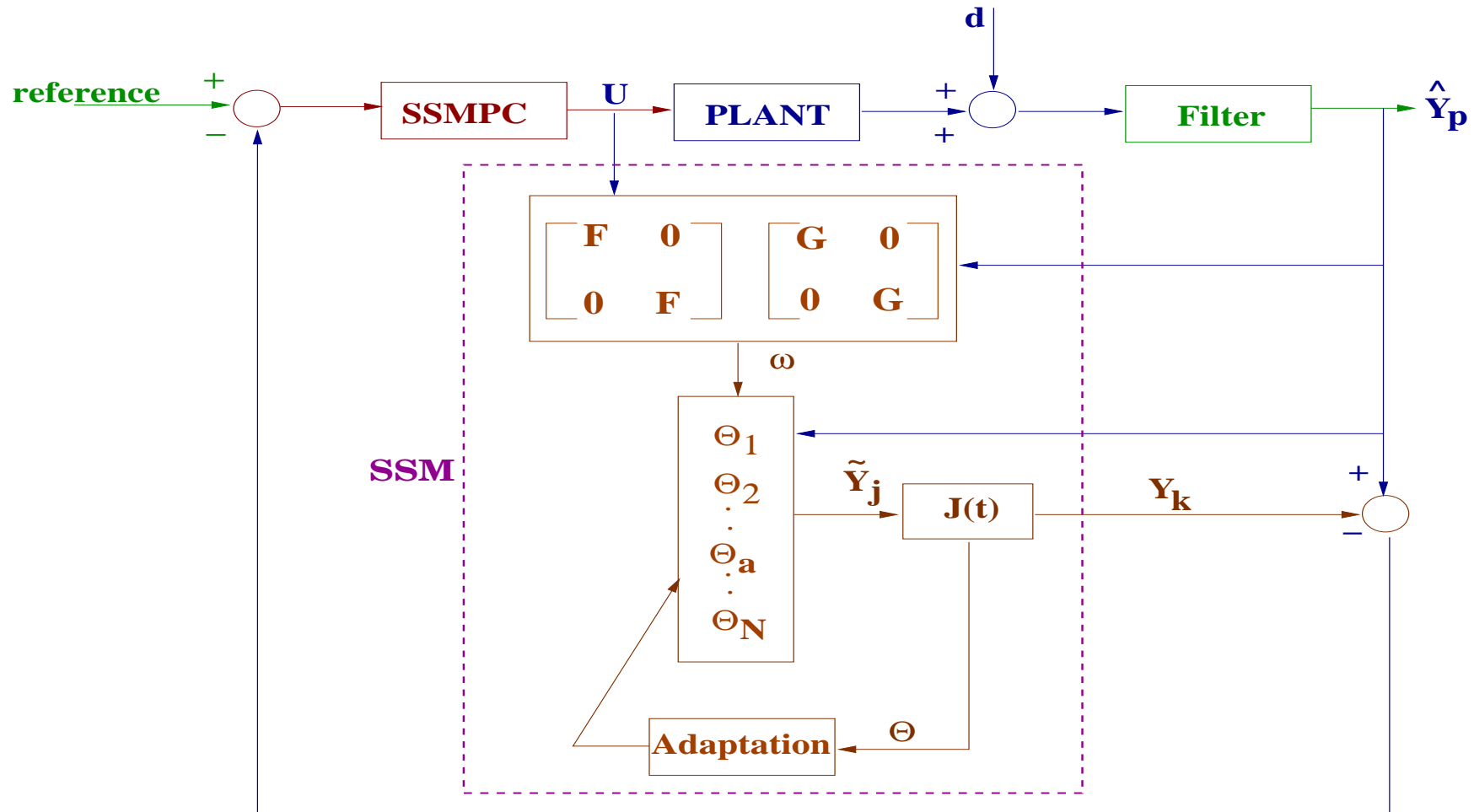
Partition the balanced realization as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{x}}_R(t) \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_R & \mathbf{A}_{12} \\ \mathbf{A}_{21} & \mathbf{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_R \\ \mathbf{B}_2 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$
$$y(t) = [\mathbf{C}_R \quad \mathbf{C}_2] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Balanced truncation eliminates those states in the balanced realization with the smallest elements in the grammians. Quantify the error in the approximation: (Burl, 99)

$$\|\Delta(s)\|_\infty = \|G_R(s) - G(s)\|_\infty \leq 2(\sigma_{k+1} + \sigma_{k+2} + \dots + \sigma_n)$$

SSM Predictive Control system

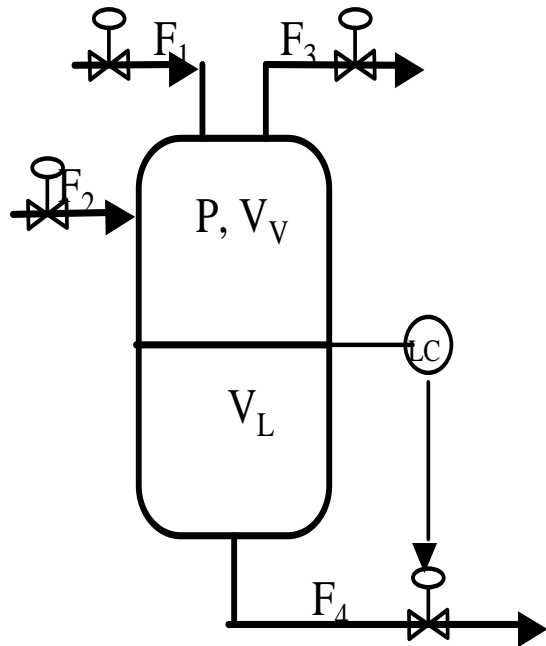


Performance index

$$J_j(t) = \mu \|\tilde{Y}_j(t)\|^2 + \nu \int_0^t \|\tilde{Y}_j(\tau)\|^2 d\tau, \quad j = 1, \dots, N$$

$\mu, \nu \geq 0$ user-specified parameters

Two-phase MIMO nonlinear reactor



$A(g)+C(g) \rightleftharpoons D(l)$
B: inert component

- **Manipulated variables**
 - F_1 , Feed includes components $A(g)$, $B(g)$, $C(g)$
 - F_2 , Pure component $A(g)$
 - F_3 , Purge includes components $A(g)$, $B(g)$, $C(g)$
- **Controlled variables**
 - P , Pressure in reactor
 - y_{A3} , Concentration of $A(g)$ in purge
 - F_4 , Production $D(l)$ flow rate

Transition between two operating points

Variable	Definition	OPI	OPII
χ_1	Valve 1	60.95%	78.46%
χ_2	Valve 2	25.02%	47.68%
χ_3	Valve 3	39.25%	56.17%
χ_4	Valve 4	44.17%	59.41%
F_1	Feed 1 rate	201.43 kmol/h	259.28 kmol/h
F_2	Feed 2 rate	5.62 kmol/h	10.72 kmol/h
F_3	Purge rate	7.05 kmol/h	10.37 kmol/h
F_4	Production rate	100 kmol/h	130 kmol/h
P	Reaction pressure	2700 kPa	2850 kPa
V_L^*	Setpoint of liquid level	44.18% of max	44.18% of max
V_L	Liquid level	13.254 m ³	15.907 m ³
y_{A3}	Mole fraction of A in purge	47.00 mol %	63.40 mol %
y_{B3}	Mole fraction of B in purge	14.29 mol %	12.02 mol %

The full-order linear model at OPI

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2.7361 & 0.0350 & -1.0565 & -1.4713 \\ 0.0106 & -0.0638 & 0.0106 & 0 \\ -2.6679 & 0.0288 & -1.1371 & -1.4713 \\ 0.2588 & -0.0661 & 0.0654 & -1.0758 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4850 & 1.0000 & -0.4700 \\ 0.0050 & 0 & -0.1429 \\ 0.5100 & 0 & -0.3871 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 28.5171 & 28.5171 & 28.5171 & 24.8288 \\ 0.5598 & -0.4964 & -0.4964 & 0 \\ 0.5484 & 0.5484 & 0.5484 & 10.4002 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda(A) = (-3.6077, -1.2647, -0.0745, -0.0659)$$

The reduced-order linear model at OPI

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0564 & 0.2618 \\ -0.1330 & -3.6939 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4062 & -3.0471 & -1.1310 \\ -3.7278 & -5.2885 & 3.4003 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.2755 & -7.3066 \\ -0.1357 & -0.0391 \\ -0.0114 & -0.2008 \end{bmatrix}$$

Upper bound of McMillian degree: $n=2$

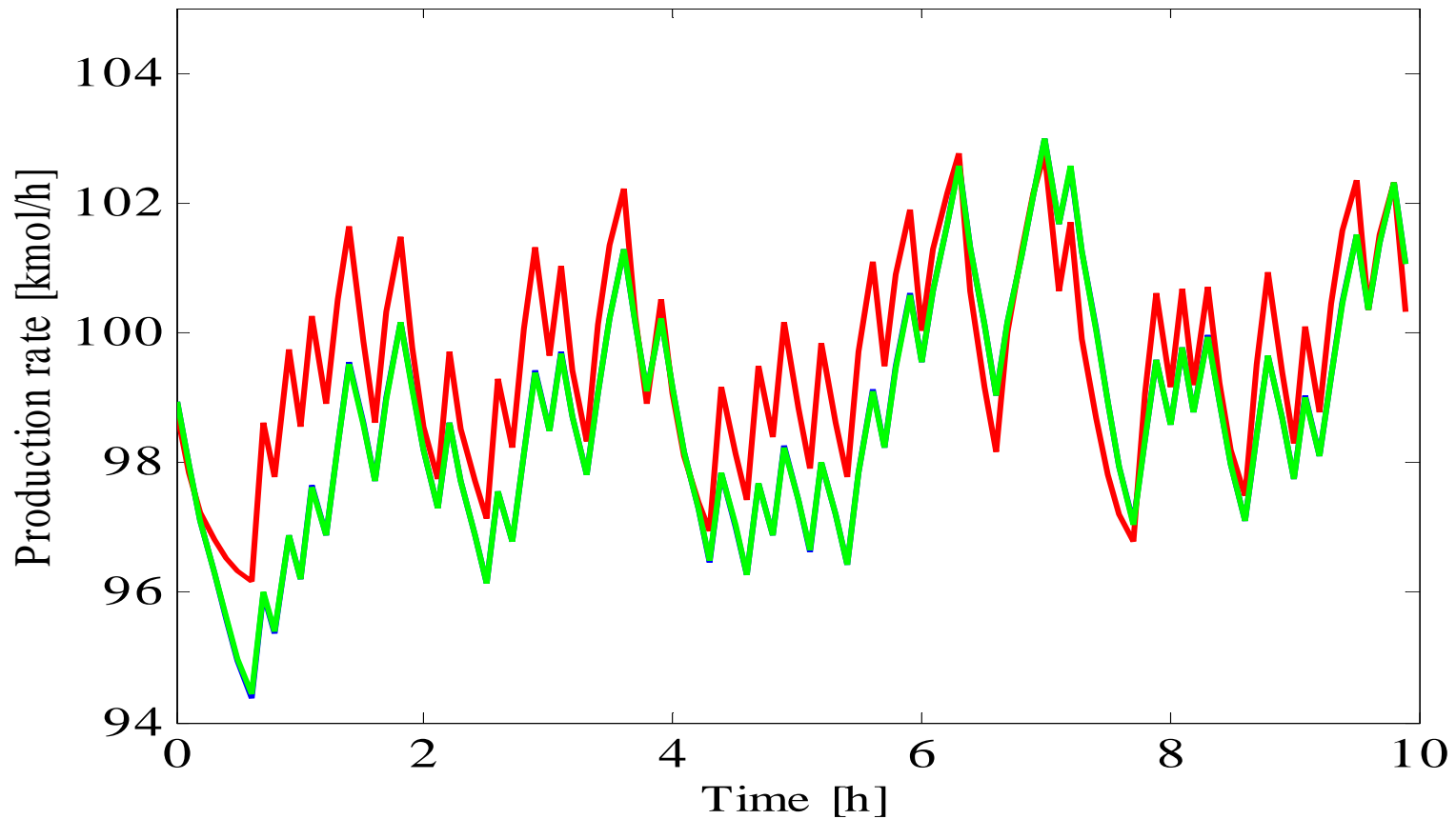
$$\mathbf{W}_c = \mathbf{W}_o = \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 95.1559 & & & \\ & 7.2349 & & \\ & & 0.6913 & \\ & & & 0.2384 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\|\Delta(s)\|_\infty = \|\mathbf{G}_R(s) - \mathbf{G}(s)\|_\infty \leq 2(\sigma_3 + \sigma_4) = 1.8594$$

Model validation

Production rate

Nonlinear Reduced-order Full-order



Input disturbances: zero mean, 15% of nominal values

State-shared model

Let

$$\mathbf{F}_j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -a_1 & -a_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{G}_j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad j = 1, 2, 3$$

with $a_1 = a_2 = 1$ such that the pair (F, G) are controllable.

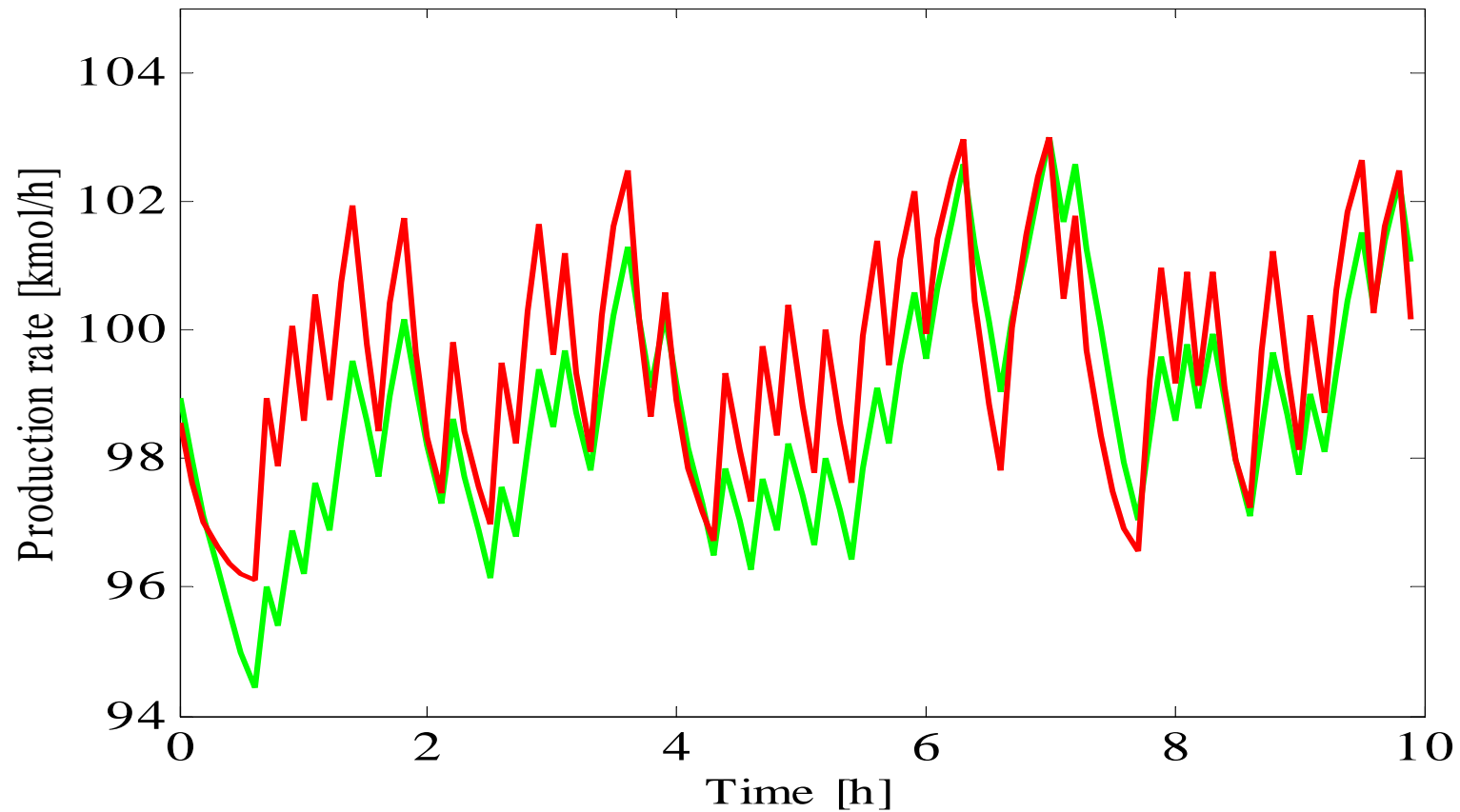
$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & F_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & F_3 \end{bmatrix}_{6 \times 6} \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} G_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & G_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & G_3 \end{bmatrix}_{6 \times 3}$$

Adaptable parameters: $n(m^2 + 1) = 20$

Model validation

Production rate

State-shared Nonlinear



Input disturbances: zero mean, 15% of nominal values

Average relative error (ARE)

$$\text{ARE}(j) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k \left| \frac{y_p(i, j) - \bar{y}_p(j) - y(i, j)}{y_p(i, j)} \right|}{k}$$

$y_p(i, j)$ is the j^{th} output of the nonlinear system at sample point i .

% ARE

	P	y_{A3}	F_4
NL-FL	0.02	0.01	0.07
FL-RL	0.01	0.30	0.83
NL-RL	0.02	0.29	0.93
SS-RL	0.01	0.04	0.18
NL-SS	0.25	0.32	0.93

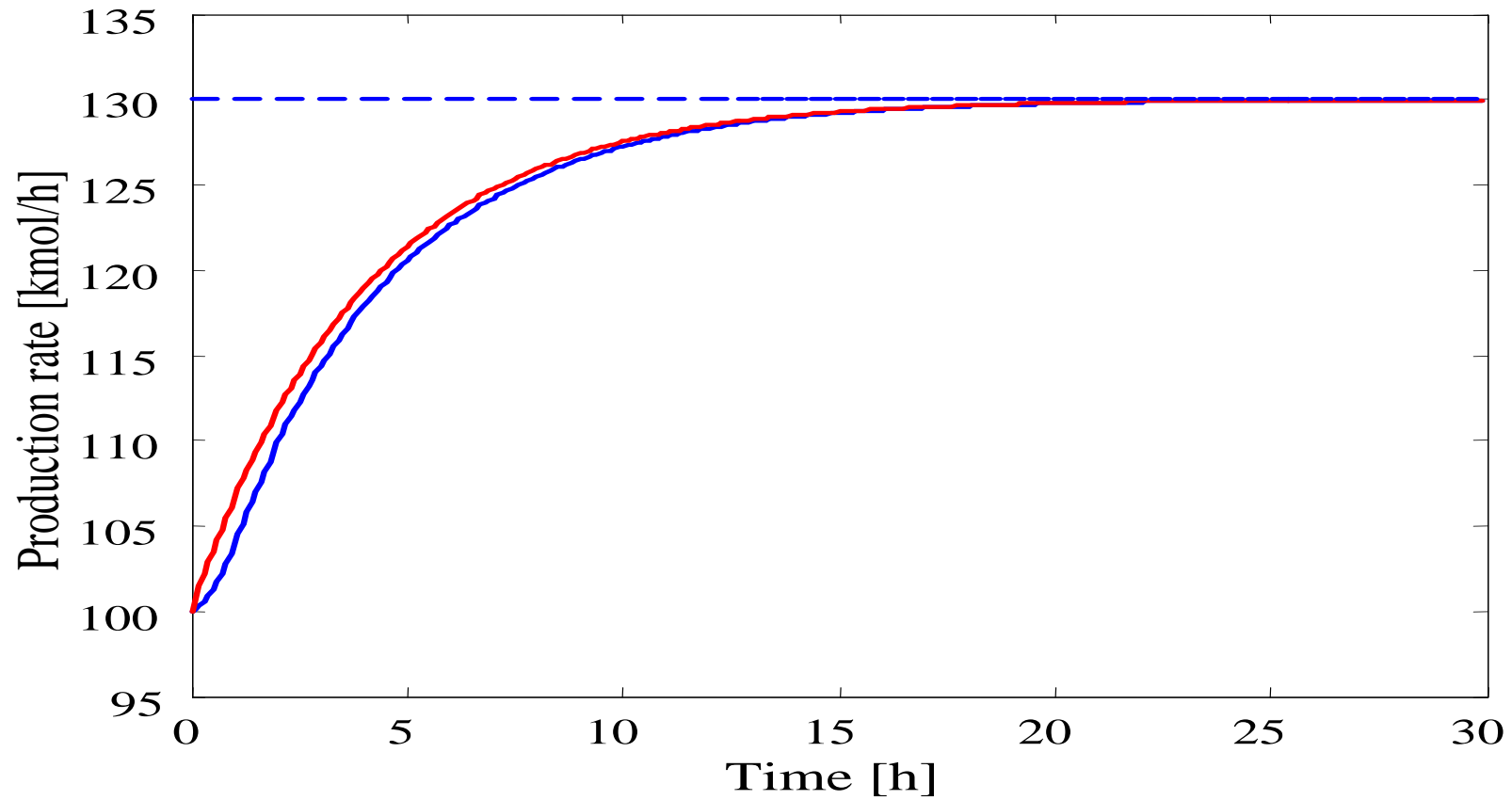
NL: nonlinear system, **FL:** full-order linear model, **RL:** reduced-order linear model, **SS:** state-shared model

Transition control: SSMPC

- $M = 4, P = 10$
- $W_y = [(P, 3), (y_{A3}, 1), (F_4, 10)]$
- $W_u = 1$
- Output constraints:
 - $2400 < P < 2950$ kPa
 - $0 < y_{A3} < 100$ %
 - $0 < F_4 < 200$ kmol/hr
- Input constraints:
 - $-50 < \Delta F_1 < 80$ kmol/hr
 - $-5 < \Delta F_2 < 10$ kmol/hr
 - $-7 < \Delta F_3 < 10$ kmol/hr

Transition: OPI → OPII

Production rate, kmol/h



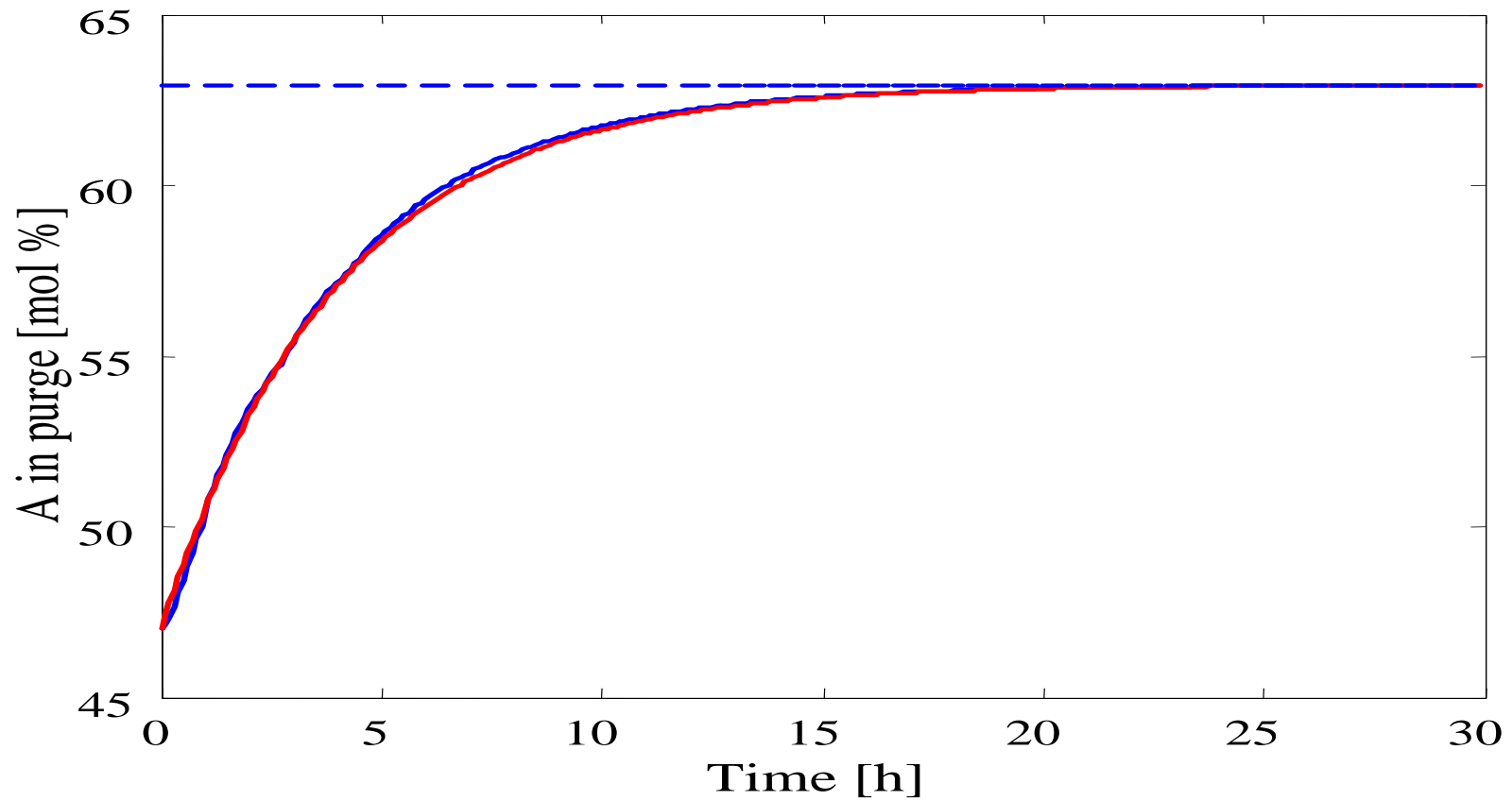
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Transition: OPI → OPII

Component A in purge, mol%



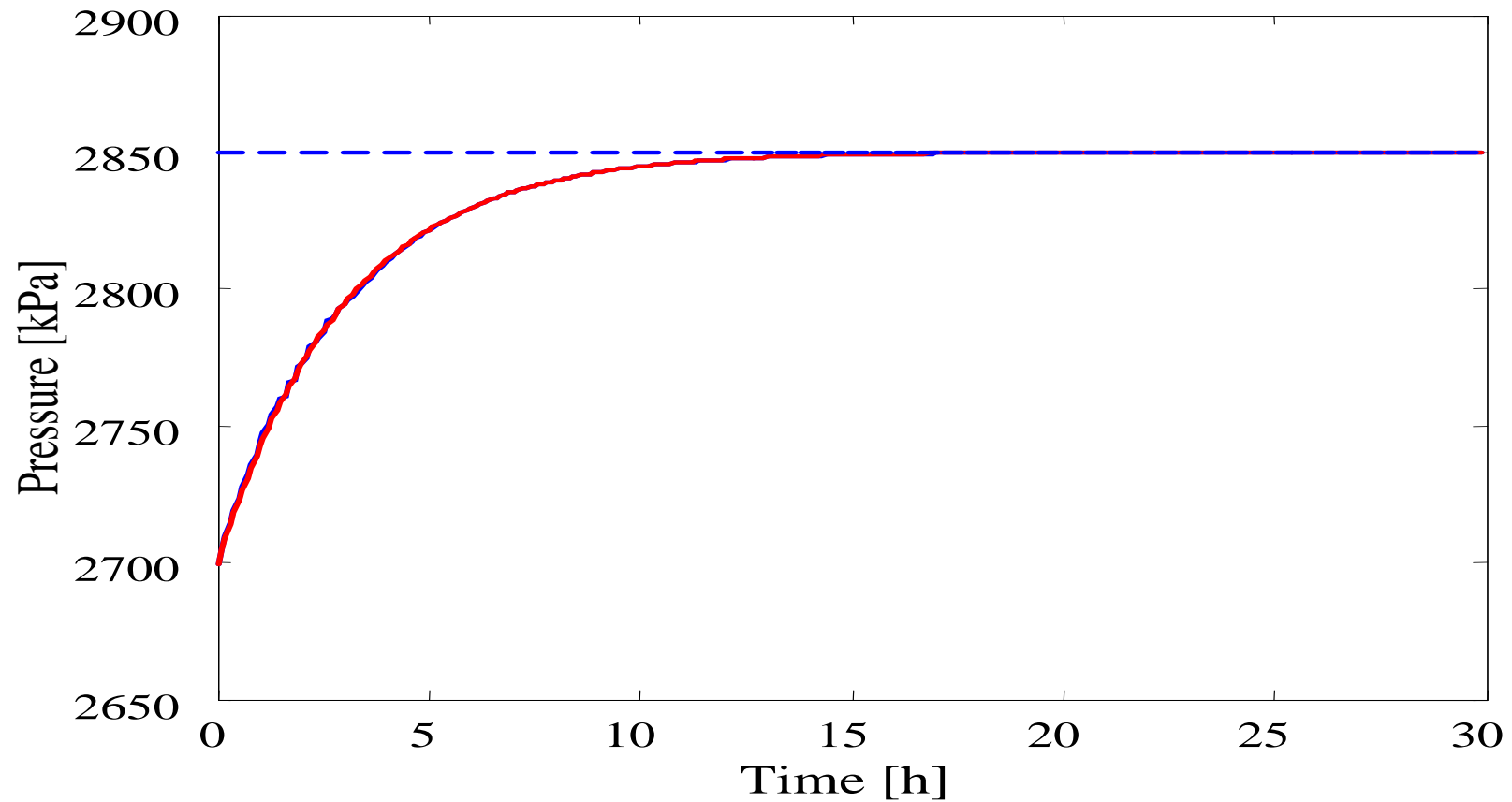
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Transition: OPI → OPII

Pressure, kPa



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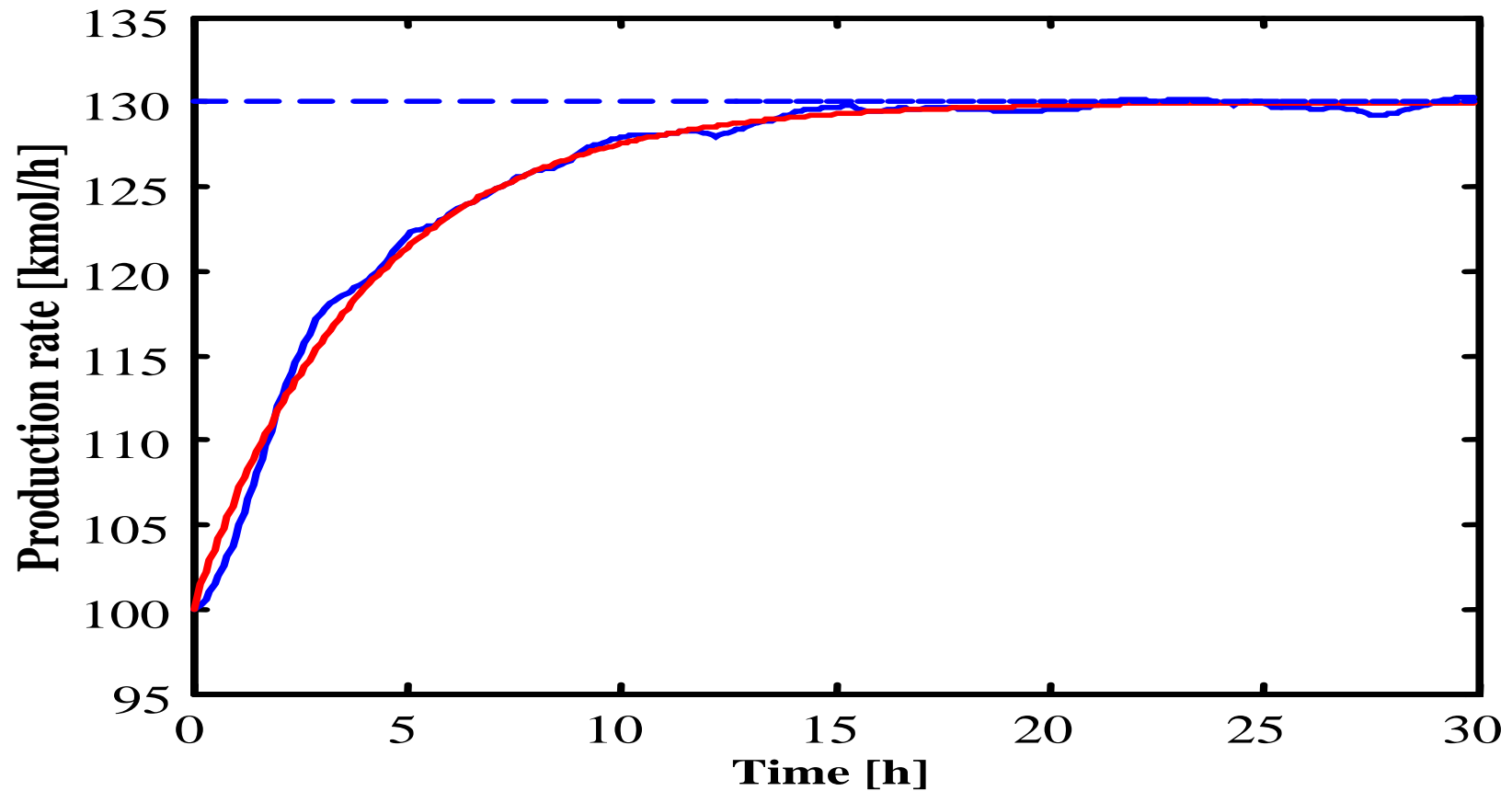
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Transition: Unmodeled output disturbances

- $M = 4, P = 10$
- $W_y = [(P, 3), (yA3, 1), (F4, 10)]$
- $W_u = 1$
- Output and input constraints
- Unmeasured output disturbances with $SNR=10:1$
- First order filter

Transition: OPI → OPII

Production rate, kmol/h



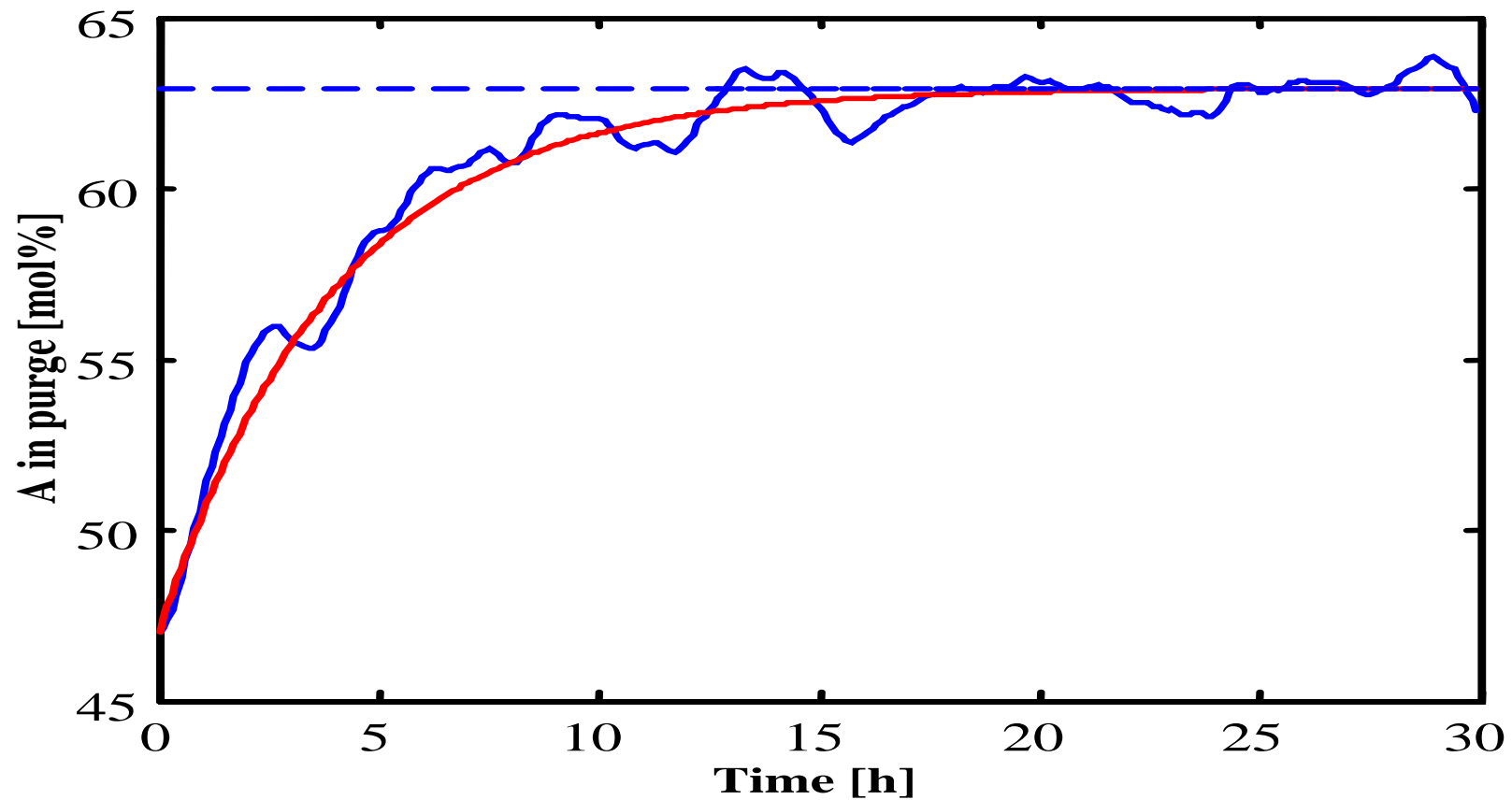
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Transition: OPI → OPII

Component A in purge, mol%



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nonlinear system response

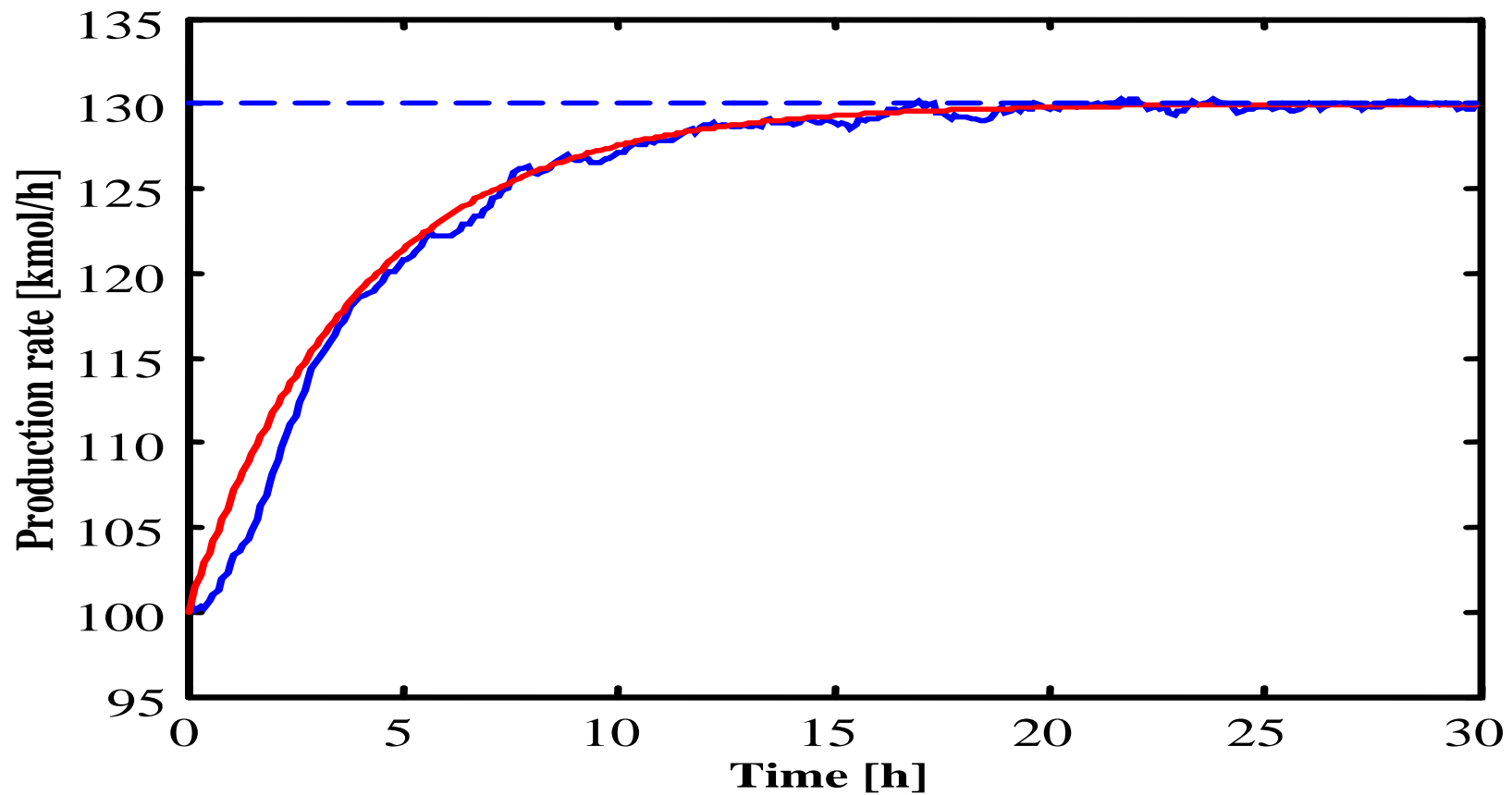
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Transition: Comp. A in the purge is not measured

- $M = 4, P = 10$
- $W_y = [(P, 3), (y_{A3}, 1), (F4, 10)]$
- $W_u = 1$
- Output and input constraints
- Unmeasured output disturbances
- First order filter
- Component A in the purge, y_{A3} , is estimated from input/output data.

Transition: OPI → OPII

Production rate, kmol/h



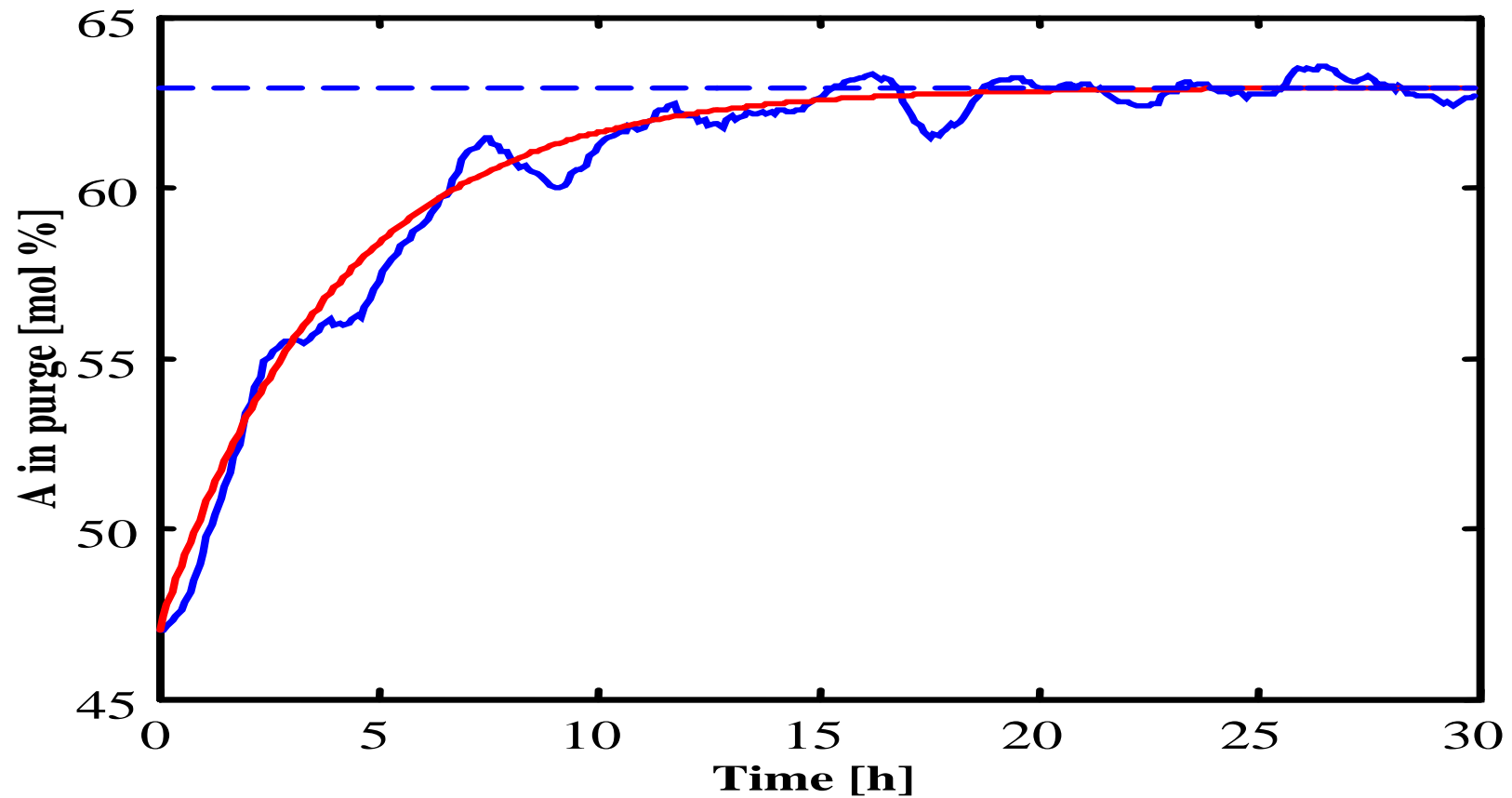
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Transition: OPI → OPII

Component A in purge, mol%



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Summary

- **Development of a compact representation of a system that has many operating states: State Shared Model**
 - Represent known and unknown operating states
 - Each operating state has a different measurement equation
 - Adapt the parameters of the measurement equation $n(m^2 + 1)$
- **Transition Control (SSMPC)**
 - Production change MIMO nonlinear reactor system
 - Unmeasured disturbances
 - Unmeasured output

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