

## Sequential parameter estimators with guaranteed accuracy for delay differential equations

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### Abstract

Assume the process  $(X(t); t \geq 0)$ , defined by the delay differential equation

$$dX(t) = (aX(t) + bX(t-1))dt + \sigma dW(t)$$

and the initial condition

$$X(s) = x_0(s); s \in [-1; 0];$$

can be observed, where the parameters  $\theta = (a; b)$  are unknown. Let  $\epsilon$  be an arbitrary positive number and  $q \geq 2$  fixed. A sequential estimation plan  $(T; \hat{\theta})$  will be presented, such that  $|\hat{\theta} - \theta| \leq \epsilon$  with probability  $1 - \epsilon$ ; where  $|\hat{\theta} - \theta|_q = (E|\hat{\theta} - \theta|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}}$  and  $|\theta|_q^2 = a_1^2 + a_2^2$  for  $\theta = (a_1; a_2)$ . Asymptotic properties of  $(T; \hat{\theta})$  for  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  are studied.

The construction can be generalized to linear regression processes described by

$$dX(t) = \theta a(t)dt + \sigma dW(t)$$

based on observation of  $(X(t); a(t); t \geq 0)$ .