

On non-linear filtering problems for discrete time stochastic processes

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Abstract. In this paper, we shall develop the linear causal analysis for the system consisting of two flows in a real inner product space and give an algorithm for calculating the non-linear filter for a discrete stochastic system which is given by two discrete time stochastic processes, to be called a signal process and an observation process, based upon the theory of KM_2O -Langevin equations.

1. Introduction.

In [16] and [5], we have solved some problems arising from Masani and Wiener's work ([4]) on the non-linear prediction problem for discrete time stochastic processes under Dobrushin-Minlos' regularity condition, based upon the theory of KM_2O -Langevin equations for discrete time stochastic processes.

After the Kalman-Buchy's works for the linear filtering problem for a Gaussian system of Markovian type ([2], [3]), the extended Kalman filter has been derived based upon Taylor approximations of the non-linear system of Markovian type ([18]). However, it is said that the linearization of the non-linear system by Taylor approximations provides an insufficiently accurate representation in many cases ([7]).

The purpose of this paper is to develop the linear causal analysis for the system consisting of two flows in a real inner product space W . By a d -flow $\mathbf{Z} = (Z(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ in W , we mean a function $Z : \{0, 1, \dots, N\} \rightarrow W^d$, where $d, N \in \mathbf{N} \equiv \{1, 2, \dots\}$. As its application, we shall obtain an algorithm for calculating the non-linear filter for a discrete stochastic system consisting of a signal process and an observation process without Dobrushin-Minlos' regularity condition.

In Section 2, for any d_1 -flow \mathbf{X} and any d_2 -flow \mathbf{Y} in W , we shall introduce the first kind of the minimum filtering matrix function $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}) = (D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k); 0 \leq k \leq n \leq N)$, by using the theory of weight transformations developed in [5]:

$$P_{M_0^n(\mathbf{Y})}X(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k)Y(k) \quad (0 \leq n \leq N). \quad (1.1)$$

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Moreover, we shall obtain an algorithm for calculating the filtering matrix function $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$.

In Section 3, we shall consider any d_1 -dimensional square integrable stochastic process $\mathbf{X} = (X(n); n \in \mathbf{N}^*)$ and any d_2 -dimensional stochastic process $\mathbf{Y} = (Y(n); n \in \mathbf{N}^*)$, where $\mathbf{N}^* \equiv \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$. We shall construct a generating system for the stochastic process \mathbf{Y} , by modifying the idea in [16], where we have constructed a generating system for multi-dimensional stochastic process with time parameter space $\{\ell, \ell + 1, \dots, r\}$ ($\ell, r \in \mathbf{Z}, \ell < r$) under Dobrushin-Minlos' regularity condition. Applying the results in Section 2 to the generating system, we shall obtain a formula for calculating the non-linear filters $E(X(n)|\mathcal{B}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}))$.

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2. The minimum filtering matrix functions.

[2.1] Let $\mathbf{X} = (X(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ and $\mathbf{Y} = (Y(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ be any d_1 -flow and any d_2 -flow in the real inner product space W , respectively. We define the covariance matrix function $R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = (R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(m, n); 0 \leq m, n \leq N)$ by

$$R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(m, n) \equiv (X(m), {}^tY(n)), \tag{2.1}$$

where $(\star, {}^t\star)$ denotes the inner product matrix of (d_1, d_2) -type of the vectors \star and \star . In particular, we put $R(\mathbf{Y}) \equiv R(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Y})$.

For each integer n ($0 \leq n \leq N$), we define a closed subspace $\mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})$ of W by

$$\mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}) \equiv [\{Y_j(m); 1 \leq j \leq d_2, 0 \leq m \leq n\}], \tag{2.2}$$

where for any subset S of W , $[S]$ stands for the closed subspace of W which is generated by all elements in S and $Y_j(m)$ is the j th component of $Y(m)$. Projecting each component of $X(n)$ onto the subspace $\mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})$, we can get a matrix function $D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}) = (D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k); 0 \leq k \leq n \leq N)$ such that

$$P_{\mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})}X(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k)Y(k) \quad (0 \leq n \leq N). \tag{2.3}$$

This matrix function is uniquely determined through relations (2.3) if the flow \mathbf{Y} is non-degenerate, that is, $\{Y_j(n); 1 \leq j \leq d_2, 0 \leq n \leq N\}$ is linearly independent in W . But this is not the case in general. We denote by $\mathcal{L.M.F}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ the set of all such matrix functions. Let us fix any element $D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ of $\mathcal{L.M.F}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$. For each n ($1 \leq n \leq N + 1$), we define a symmetric matrix $T_+(\mathbf{Y})(n)$ of order nd_2 , two matrices $\Delta(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n)$ and $S(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(n)$ of (nd_2, d_1) -type by

$$T_+(\mathbf{Y})(n) \equiv (R(\mathbf{Y})(k - 1, \ell - 1))_{1 \leq k, \ell \leq n}, \tag{2.4}$$

$$\Delta(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n) \equiv {}^t(D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n - 1, 0), D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n - 1, 1), \dots, D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n - 1, n - 1)), \tag{2.5}$$

$$S(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(n) \equiv {}^t(R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(n - 1, 0), R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(n - 1, 1), \dots, R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(n - 1, n - 1)). \tag{2.6}$$

Taking the inner product of the both-hand sides in (2.3) and $Y(\ell)$ ($0 \leq \ell \leq n$), we get

LEMMA 2.1. For each n ($1 \leq n \leq N + 1$), $T_+(\mathbf{Y})(n)\Delta(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n) = S(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(n)$.

A converse statement of Lemma 2.1 can be proved by using the same method as we used in the proof of Lemma 3.3 in [5].

LEMMA 2.2. Let $H(n)$ ($1 \leq n \leq N + 1$) be any matrix of (nd_2, d_1) -type such that $T_+(\mathbf{Y})(n)H(n) = S(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(n)$. Divide $H(n)$ into submatrices as $H(n) = {}^t(h(n-1, 0), h(n-1, 1), \dots, h(n-1, n-1))$, where $h(n, k)$'s are matrices of (d_1, d_2) -type. Then the matrix function $h \equiv (h(n, k); 0 \leq k \leq n \leq N)$ belongs to $\mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$.

We shall find a constructive way to obtain a nice element of $\mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$. Let $\xi = (\xi(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ be any non-degenerate d_2 -flow in W such that

$$R(\mathbf{X}, \xi) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad R(\mathbf{Y}, \xi) = 0. \tag{2.7}$$

For each $w > 0$, we define a d_2 -flow $\mathbf{Y}^w = (Y^w(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ by

$$Y^w(n) \equiv Y(n) + w\xi(n). \tag{2.8}$$

We call the transformation from \mathbf{Y} to \mathbf{Y}^w and the flow ξ the weight transformation with weight w and the additive noise flow, respectively. Then we can easily verify the following Lemma 2.3.

LEMMA 2.3.

- (i) $R(\mathbf{Y}^w) = R(\mathbf{Y}) + w^2R(\xi)$ $(w > 0)$
- (ii) $R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}^w) = R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ $(w > 0)$
- (iii) $T_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(n) = T_+(\mathbf{Y})(n) + w^2T_+(\xi)(n)$ $(w > 0, 1 \leq n \leq N + 1)$
- (iv) $S(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}^w)(n) = S(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(n)$ $(w > 0, 1 \leq n \leq N + 1)$

Let $\eta = (\eta(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ be any non-degenerate d_2 -flow in W . We define a norm $\|\cdot\|_\eta$ on the set $\mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ as follows:

$$\|D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})\|_\eta \equiv \left(\sum_{n=0}^N \sum_{j=1}^{d_1} \|\eta_j^{D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})}(n)\|_W^2 \right)^{1/2}, \tag{2.9}$$

where $\|\cdot\|_W$ denotes the norm on W induced by the inner product (\star, \star) and $\eta^{D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})} = (\eta_j^{D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})}(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ is the d_1 -flow in W defined by

$$\eta_j^{D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})}(n) \equiv \sum_{k=0}^n D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k)\eta(k). \tag{2.10}$$

By a direct calculation, we have

LEMMA 2.4. $\|D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})\|_\eta = \left(\sum_{n=1}^{N+1} \|T_+(\eta)(n)\|^{1/2} \Delta(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n) \right)^2$, where $\|\cdot\|$ stands for the Euclidean norm of the matrix \cdot .

We are now in a position to state one of the main theorems in this paper.

THEOREM 2.1. *Let ξ be any additive noise flow for the flow \mathbf{Y} satisfying (2.7) and let \mathbf{Y}^w be the flow defined by (2.8). Then*

- (i) $D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)$ converges as $w \rightarrow 0$ and the limit $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \xi)$ belongs to $\mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$.
- (ii) $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \xi)$ is the unique element of $\mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ minimizing the norm $\|\cdot\|_\xi$.

To prove this theorem, we show the following theorem on linear algebra.

THEOREM 2.2. *Let A and B be any symmetric matrices of order n , and let C be any matrix of (n, m) -type such that*

- (a) $A \geq 0$ and $B > 0$,
- (b) there exists a matrix X of (n, m) -type for which $AX = C$.

For each $\varepsilon > 0$, define a matrix F_ε of (n, m) -type by $F_\varepsilon \equiv (A + \varepsilon B)^{-1}C$. Then

- (i) F_ε converges as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, and the limit $F_0 \equiv \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} F_\varepsilon$ satisfies $AF_0 = C$,
- (ii) F_0 is the unique element of $\{X; AX = C\}$ minimizing the norm $\|B^{1/2}X\|$.

PROOF. We have already proved (i) for more general case, and (ii) for the case where $B = I_n$ in Theorems 4.2 and 4.6 of [5], respectively. We put $\tilde{A} \equiv B^{-1/2}AB^{-1/2}$ and $\tilde{C} \equiv B^{-1/2}C$. Then we see that $\tilde{A}, B = I_n$ and \tilde{C} fulfil the assumptions (a) and (b). So the general case is reduced to the case $B = I_n$. □

PROOF OF THEOREM 2.1. Let $A \equiv T_+(\mathbf{Y})(n)$, $B \equiv T_+(\xi)(n)$ and $C \equiv S(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(n)$. Then A and B satisfy Theorem 2.2(a). By Lemma 2.1 we see that C satisfies Theorem 2.2(b). So we can apply Theorem 2.2 to obtain Theorem 2.1. □

Immediately from Theorem 2.1, we have

COROLLARY 2.1. *Let ξ, \mathbf{Y} and \mathbf{Y}^w be as in Theorem 2.1. Then*

$$\lim_{w \rightarrow 0} P_{\mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}^w)}X(n) = P_{\mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})}X(n) \quad (0 \leq n \leq N).$$

The following theorem gives a converse statement of Theorem 2.1 in a sense.

THEOREM 2.3. *Let us fix any $d_1, d_2 \in \mathbf{N}$ and any $N \in \mathbf{N}^*$. Let ξ and η be any non-degenerate d_2 -flows in W satisfying $\dim(\mathbf{M}_0^N(\xi, \eta))^\perp \geq 1$. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) $R(\xi) = \lambda R(\eta)$ for some $\lambda > 0$;
- (ii) $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \xi) = D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \eta)$ for any d_1 -flow \mathbf{X} and any d_2 -flow \mathbf{Y} in $(\mathbf{M}_0^N(\xi, \eta))^\perp$.

For the proof of Theorem 2.3, we need the following Lemma 2.5 and Theorem 2.4.

LEMMA 2.5. *For any matrix T_{11} of order $(N+1)d_2$, any matrix T_{12} of $((N+1)d_2, d_1)$ -type and any matrix T_{22} of order d_1 such that the matrix $T \equiv \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{12} & T_{22} \end{pmatrix}$ is non-negative definite and $\text{rank } T \leq \dim W$, there exist a d_1 -flow \mathbf{X} and a d_2 -flow \mathbf{Y} in W such that $T_+(\mathbf{Y})(N+1) = T_{11}$, $S(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(N+1) = T_{12}$ and $R(\mathbf{X})(N, N) = T_{22}$.*

PROOF. Let $r \equiv \text{rank} T$. Since T is non-negative definite, there exist a matrix Q of order $(N + 1)d_2 + d_1$ and a positive definite matrix D_r of order r such that $T = Q \begin{pmatrix} D_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} {}^t Q$. We put $M \equiv Q \begin{pmatrix} D_r^{1/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Then $M \begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} {}^t M = T$. We define a d_2 -flow $\mathbf{Y} = (Y(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ in W and a vector $X(N) \in W^{d_1}$ by $({}^t Y(0), {}^t Y(1), \dots, {}^t Y(N), {}^t X(N)) \equiv (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_r, 0, \dots, 0) {}^t M$, where $\{\xi_j; 1 \leq j \leq r\}$ is an orthonormal system in W . We also define a d_1 -flow \mathbf{X} in W by choosing $X(0), X(1), \dots, X(N - 1)$ arbitrarily. Then we can see that Lemma 2.5 holds. \square

THEOREM 2.4. *Let B and G be any positive definite matrices of order n . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) $B = \lambda G$ for some $\lambda > 0$;
- (ii) F_0 in Theorem 2.2 is the unique element of $\{X; AX = C\}$ minimizing the norm $\|G^{1/2} X\|$ for any matrices A, C with $\text{rank}(A) = 1$ and the conditions in Theorem 2.2.

PROOF. By Theorem 2.2, we have only to prove that (ii) implies (i). We have already proved it in Theorem 4.8 in [5] for the case where $G = I_n$, which deduces the general case by putting $\tilde{A} \equiv G^{-1/2} A G^{-1/2}$ and $\tilde{C} \equiv G^{-1/2} C$. \square

PROOF OF THEOREM 2.3. We assume (i). For any d_1 -flow \mathbf{X} and any d_2 -flow \mathbf{Y} in $(\mathbf{M}_0^N(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\eta}))^\perp$, Lemma 2.4 shows that $\|D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})\|_\xi = \lambda^{1/2} \|D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})\|_\eta$ ($D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}) \in \mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$). This combined with Theorem 2.1(ii) implies that $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \boldsymbol{\xi})$ minimizes the norm $\|\cdot\|_\eta$. Replacing $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ with $\boldsymbol{\eta}$ in Theorem 2.1(ii), we find that (ii) holds.

We now assume (ii). Let A and C be as in Theorem 2.4. We define a matrix T_{AC} of order $(N + 1)d_2 + d_1$ by $T_{AC} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ {}^t C & {}^t C F \end{pmatrix}$, where F is a matrix of $((N + 1)d_2, d_1)$ -type for which $AF = C$ holds. Then T_{AC} is non-negative definite and $\text{rank} T_{AC} = 1$, because ${}^t \begin{pmatrix} I & -F \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} T_{AC} \begin{pmatrix} I & -F \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. By Lemma 2.5, we see that there exist a d_1 -flow \mathbf{X} and a d_2 -flow \mathbf{Y} in $(\mathbf{M}_0^N(\boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{\eta}))^\perp$ that satisfy $T_+(\mathbf{Y})(N + 1) = A$ and $S(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})(N + 1) = C$. Let $B \equiv T_+(\boldsymbol{\xi})(N + 1)$. Then B is positive definite because the noise $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ is non-degenerate. We see A, B and C satisfy the conditions in Theorem 2.2 with $m = d_1$ and $n = (N + 1)d_2$. Here Theorem 2.2(b) is ensured by Lemma 2.1. It follows from Lemma 2.1 that the corresponding F_0 in Theorem 2.2 equals $\Delta(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(N + 1)$, which is defined by taking $D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}) \equiv D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \boldsymbol{\xi})$ in (2.5). We now take $G \equiv T_+(\boldsymbol{\eta})(N + 1)$ and show G satisfies Theorem 2.4(ii). Since $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \boldsymbol{\xi}) = D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \boldsymbol{\eta})$, $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \boldsymbol{\xi})$ minimizes the norm $\|\cdot\|_\eta$. Hence by Lemma 2.4, A, C, F_0 and G thus defined satisfy Theorem 2.4(ii). So by Theorem 2.4 we obtain $T_+(\boldsymbol{\xi})(N + 1) = \lambda T_+(\boldsymbol{\eta})(N + 1)$, which implies (i). \square

We shall analyze the special case where the additive noise flow satisfies the white noise property. For that purpose, we define a norm $\|\cdot\|$ on the set $\mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ by

$$\|D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})\| \equiv \left(\sum_{n=0}^N \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{j=1}^{d_1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{d_2} D_{j\ell}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k)^2 \right)^{1/2}. \tag{2.11}$$

Immediately from (2.9) and (2.11), we have

LEMMA 2.6. *If a d_2 -flow $\boldsymbol{\eta}$ satisfies the white noise property, that is, $T_+(\boldsymbol{\eta})(N + 1) = I_{(N+1)d_2}$, then $\|D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})\|_\eta = \|D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})\|$ for any $D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}) \in \mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$.*

Combining Theorems 2.1, 2.3 and Lemma 2.6, we obtain

THEOREM 2.5. *Let us fix any $d_1, d_2 \in \mathbf{N}, N \in \mathbf{N}^*$ with $(N + 1)d_2 < \dim W$ and let $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ be any non-degenerate d_2 -flow in W . Then, the following conditions are equivalent:*

(i) $T_+(\boldsymbol{\xi})(N + 1) = \lambda I_{(N+1)d_2}$ for some $\lambda > 0$;

(ii) *For any d_1 -flow \mathbf{X} and any d_2 -flow \mathbf{Y} in $(\mathbf{M}_0^N(\boldsymbol{\xi}))^\perp$, the matrix function $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}; \boldsymbol{\xi})$ minimizes the norm $\|\cdot\|$ in $\mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$.*

By Theorem 2.3, the minimum norm element of $\mathcal{LMF}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|$ does not depend upon the white noise $\boldsymbol{\xi}$. We denote it by $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ and call it the first kind of the minimum filtering matrix function of the flow \mathbf{X} based upon the flow \mathbf{Y} . We remark $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ satisfies (1.1) by construction. Further, we note that $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w) = D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)$ ($w > 0$).

[2.2] In order to get an algorithm for calculating the matrix function $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$, we define the flow $\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}) = (\nu_+(\mathbf{Y})(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ by

$$\nu_+(\mathbf{Y})(n) \equiv Y(n) - P_{\mathbf{M}_0^{n-1}(\mathbf{Y})} Y(n), \tag{2.12}$$

where $\mathbf{M}_0^{-1}(\mathbf{Y}) \equiv \{0\}$. We define a matrix function $V_+(\mathbf{Y}) = (V_+(\mathbf{Y})(n); 0 \leq n \leq N)$ by

$$V_+(\mathbf{Y})(n) \equiv R(\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}))(n, n). \tag{2.13}$$

Then we know that the flow $\nu_+(\mathbf{Y})$ satisfies the orthogonality property (2.14) and the causality relation (2.15) with the flow \mathbf{Y} :

$$R(\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}))(m, n) = \delta_{m,n} V_+(\mathbf{Y})(n) \quad (0 \leq m, n \leq N), \tag{2.14}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}) = \mathbf{M}_0^n(\nu_+(\mathbf{Y})) \quad (0 \leq n \leq N). \tag{2.15}$$

Replacing \mathbf{Y} by \mathbf{Y}^w in (2.15) and noting that \mathbf{Y}^w is non-degenerate for each $w > 0$, we can uniquely find two matrix functions $\gamma_+(\mathbf{Y}^w) = (\gamma_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k); 0 \leq k < n \leq N)$ and $P_+(\mathbf{Y}^w) = (P_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k); 0 \leq k \leq n \leq N)$ such that

$$Y^w(n) = - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \gamma_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k) Y^w(k) + \nu_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(n), \tag{2.16}$$

$$Y^w(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n P_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k) \nu_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(k). \tag{2.17}$$

We know from Theorems 4.1, 4.5 and 7.3 in [5] that these matrix functions $\gamma_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)$ and $P_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)$ converge as $w \rightarrow 0$ and that respective limits $\gamma_+^0(\mathbf{Y})$ and $P_+^0(\mathbf{Y})$ satisfy (2.16) and (2.17) with the replacement of \mathbf{Y}^w by \mathbf{Y} . In particular, the former equation is the forward KM_2O -Langevin equation describing the time evolution of \mathbf{Y} :

$$Y(n) = - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \gamma_+^0(\mathbf{Y})(n, k)Y(k) + \nu_+(\mathbf{Y})(n). \tag{2.18}$$

By Theorems 4.5 and 7.3 in [5], $\gamma_+^0(\mathbf{Y})$ and $P_+^0(\mathbf{Y})$ do not depend upon the white noise flow ξ . We note that $\gamma_+^0(\mathbf{Y}^w) = \gamma_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)$ and $P_+^0(\mathbf{Y}^w) = P_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)$ ($w > 0$). Further, we know that

$$\begin{cases} P_+^0(\mathbf{Y})(n, n) = I_{d_2} & (0 \leq n \leq N), \\ P_+^0(\mathbf{Y})(n, k) = - \sum_{\ell=k}^{n-1} \gamma_+^0(\mathbf{Y})(n, \ell)P_+^0(\mathbf{Y})(\ell, k) & (0 \leq k < n \leq N). \end{cases} \tag{2.19}$$

For each $w > 0$, by (2.15) with replaced \mathbf{Y} by \mathbf{Y}^w , we can find the unique matrix function $C(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w) = (C(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k); 0 \leq k \leq n \leq N)$ such that

$$P_{M_0^0(\mathbf{Y}^w)}X(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n C(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k)\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(k). \tag{2.20}$$

Multiplying (2.20) by $\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(k)$, we see from (2.14) that

THEOREM 2.6. For each n, k ($0 \leq k \leq n \leq N$),

$$C(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k) = \left(R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k) + \sum_{\ell=0}^{k-1} R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}^w)(n, \ell) {}^t\gamma_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(k, \ell) \right) V_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(k)^{-1}.$$

Next, we shall obtain an algorithm for calculating the matrix function $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ in terms of the matrix functions $C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ and $\gamma_+^0(\mathbf{Y})$.

THEOREM 2.7. For each n, k ($0 \leq k \leq n \leq N$),

(i) A limit $C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}) \equiv \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} C(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)$ exists,

(ii) $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k) = C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k) + \sum_{\ell=k+1}^n C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, \ell)\gamma_+^0(\mathbf{Y})(\ell, k)$,

(iii) $C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k) = \sum_{\ell=k}^n D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, \ell)P_+^0(\mathbf{Y})(\ell, k)$.

PROOF. By (2.16), $\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(k) = Y^w(k) + \sum_{\ell=0}^{k-1} \gamma_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(k, \ell)Y^w(\ell)$ ($0 \leq k \leq N$). Hence, by (2.20), $D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k) = C(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k) + \sum_{\ell=k+1}^n C(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, \ell)\gamma_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(\ell, k)$ ($0 \leq k \leq n \leq N$). Next, substituting (2.17) into (1.1) with \mathbf{Y} replaced by \mathbf{Y}^w , we see that $C(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, k) = \sum_{\ell=k}^n D(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^w)(n, \ell)P_+(\mathbf{Y}^w)(\ell, k)$. Thus, letting w tend to 0, we find from Theorem 2.1 that Theorem 2.7 holds. \square

By virtue of Theorems 2.6 and 2.7, we can obtain an algorithm for calculating the matrix function $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})$ from the matrix function $R(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ and the system $\{\gamma_+^0(\mathbf{Y}), V_+(\mathbf{Y})\}$. We note that the latter can be obtained from the matrix function

$R(\mathbf{Y})$ ([6]).

[2.3] We shall consider any d_1 -flow $\mathbf{X} = (X(n); n \in \mathbf{N}^*)$ and d_2 -flow $\mathbf{Y} = (Y(n); n \in \mathbf{N}^*)$ in a Hilbert space W . For each $N \in \mathbf{N}$, we restrict the time domain of both flows \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} to the set $\{0, 1, \dots, N\}$ and apply the results above. Then, by virtue of Theorem 2.1(ii), we can construct the first (resp. second) kind of the minimum filtering matrix function $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}) = (D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k); 0 \leq k \leq n < \infty)$ (resp. $C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}) = (C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k); 0 \leq k \leq n < \infty)$) of the d_1 -flow \mathbf{X} based upon the d_2 -flow \mathbf{Y} such that

$$P_{\mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})}X(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k)Y(k) \quad (n \in \mathbf{N}^*), \tag{2.21}$$

$$P_{\mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})}X(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n, k)\nu_+(\mathbf{Y})(k) \quad (n \in \mathbf{N}^*). \tag{2.22}$$

We note that the same relations as in Theorems 2.6 and 2.7 hold for the d_1 -flow \mathbf{X} and d_2 -flow \mathbf{Y} with time domain \mathbf{N}^* .

3. A formula for calculating the non-linear filter.

We shall consider in this section any d_1 -dimensional square integrable stochastic process $\mathbf{X} = (X(n); n \in \mathbf{N}^*)$ and any d_2 -dimensional stochastic process $\mathbf{Y} = (Y(n); n \in \mathbf{N}^*)$ defined on a probability space (Ω, \mathcal{B}, P) . For any $n \in \mathbf{N}^*$, we define the non-linear information space $\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})$ for the stochastic process \mathbf{Y} by

$$\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}) \equiv \{Y \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{B}, P); Y \text{ is } \mathcal{B}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})\text{-measurable}\}, \tag{3.1}$$

where $\mathcal{B}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})$ stands for the smallest σ -field generated by $Y_j(m)$ ($0 \leq m \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq d_2$).

As an application of Section 2, we shall give a formula for calculating the non-linear filters $E(X(n)|\mathcal{B}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}))$, which are equal to the projection of the vector $X(n)$ on $\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}^*$):

$$E(X(n)|\mathcal{B}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})) = P_{\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})}X(n). \tag{3.2}$$

By taking account of Theorem 10.2 in [5] and Theorem 2.2 in [16], we shall give

DEFINITION 3.1. A system $\{\mathbf{Y}^{(q)}; q \in \mathbf{N}\}$ of multi-dimensional stochastic processes is said to be a generating system of $\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}^*$) if

- (a) each $\mathbf{Y}^{(q)} = (Y^{(q)}(n); n \in \mathbf{N}^*)$ is a square integrable stochastic process ($q \in \mathbf{N}$),
- (b) $\{\mathbf{Y}^{(q)}; q \in \mathbf{N}\}$ has a nest structure, that is, $\mathbf{Y}^{(q+1)}(n) = {}^t(\mathbf{Y}^{(q)}(n), *)$,
- (c) $\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}) = [\{1\}] \oplus [\bigcup_{q=1}^\infty \mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})]$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}^*$).

Without Dobrushin-Minlos' condition in [16], we shall prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.1. *There exists a generating system of $\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}^*$).*

PROOF. Define a d_2 -dimensional stochastic process $\arctan(\mathbf{Y}) = (\arctan(\mathbf{Y})(n);$

$n \in \mathbf{N}^*$) by $\arctan(\mathbf{Y})(n) \equiv {}^t(\arctan(Y_1(n)), \dots, \arctan(Y_{d_2}(n)))$. Since it is a bounded process, we can use the same idea as in [16] to construct a generating system for the process $\arctan(\mathbf{Y})$. Noting that $\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}) = \mathbf{N}_0^n(\arctan(\mathbf{Y}))$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}^*$), we find that the above system is a desired one. \square

REMARK 3.1. If the process \mathbf{Y} is square integrable, we can construct a generating system such that $\mathbf{Y}^{(1)} = \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}$, where $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}} = (\tilde{Y}(n); n \in \mathbf{N}^*)$ is defined by $\tilde{Y}(n) \equiv Y(n) - E(Y(n))$.

In the sequel, we shall fix any generating system. Applying the results in [2.3] of Section 2 to the d_1 -dimensional flow \mathbf{X} and the $(d_q + 1)$ -dimensional flow $\mathbf{Y}^{(q)}$ in the real Hilbert space $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{B}, P)$, we can construct the minimum filtering matrix functions $D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})$ and $C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})$. Applying (2.21) and (2.22) to the flows \mathbf{X} and $\mathbf{Y}^{(q)}$ and letting q tend to ∞ , we obtain from the property (b) and (c) of generating system that

THEOREM 3.2. For any $n \in \mathbf{N}^*$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & P_{\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})}X(n) = E(X(n)) + \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n D^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(n, k)Y^{(q)}(k) \text{ in } L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{B}, P), \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & P_{\mathbf{N}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})}X(n) = E(X(n)) + \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(n, k)\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(k) \text{ in } L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{B}, P). \end{aligned}$$

For each $n \in \mathbf{N}^*$, we define the non-linear filtering error matrix $e_+^{(nl)}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n)$ of the random variable $X(n)$ conditioned on the σ -field $\mathcal{B}_0^n(\mathbf{Y})$ by

$$e_+^{(nl)}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n) \equiv E((X(n) - E(X(n)|\mathcal{B}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}))) {}^t(X(n) - E(X(n)|\mathcal{B}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}))). \quad (3.3)$$

We shall give the following formula for calculating the non-linear filtering error matrix.

THEOREM 3.3. For any $n \in \mathbf{N}^*$,

$$\begin{aligned} e_+^{(nl)}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n) &= R(\mathbf{X})(n, n) - E(X(n)) {}^tE(X(n)) \\ &\quad - \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^n C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(n, k)V_+(\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(k) {}^tC^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(n, k) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. By Theorem 3.2(ii), we see that $e_+^{(nl)}(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y})(n) = R(\mathbf{X})(n, n) - E(X(n)) {}^tE(X(n)) - \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n C^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(n, k)E(\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(k) {}^tX(n))$. Further, noting that $\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(k) \in \mathbf{M}_0^n(\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})$ for any k ($0 \leq k \leq n$), we see from (2.22) that $E(\nu_+(\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(k) {}^tX(n)) = V_+(\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(k) {}^tC^0(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}^{(q)})(n, k)$, which proves Theorem 3.3. \square

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