

# Identification of Hammerstein Systems with Rate-Dependent Hysteresis Nonlinearities in a Class of Smart Material-Based Actuators

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**Abstract**—In [1], we introduced an algorithm to identify rate-independent hysteresis nonlinearities of a class of smart material-based actuators, which is modeled as a Hammerstein system, that is, a cascade of a Prandtl-Ishlinskii (PI) hysteresis nonlinearity with a linear dynamic system. In this paper, we extend the results in [1] to Hammerstein systems with rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities. We consider a rate-dependent PI model, which has been used to model rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities in smart micro-positioning actuators such as piezoceramic actuators and magnetostrictive actuators. The rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearity, the linear dynamic system, and the intermediate signal between them are assumed to be unknown. Least squares is used with a finite impulse response (FIR) model structure to identify the linear part of the Hammerstein system. Then, the output of the Hammerstein system is used along with the identified model of the linear plant to reconstruct the unknown intermediate signal. A nonparametric model of the rate-dependent hysteresis loop is obtained by plotting the reconstructed intermediate signal versus the input signal.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Smart material-based actuators such as piezomicropositioning actuators and magnetostrictive actuators have been used in different motion control applications because of their high resolution input displacement (sub-nanometers) and fast time-constant (sub-milliseconds). These smart actuators have been used in motion control applications to deliver fast output displacement in the micro/nano level in response to the applied inputs (voltage or current inputs) [2]–[4]. However, smart positioning actuators suffer from hysteresis nonlinearities that can be rate-independent or rate-dependent over different excitation frequencies in the output displacement. These nonlinearities cause high oscillations and high inaccuracies with positioning errors when these actuators operate over high frequencies [5], [6]. Therefore, it is essential to characterize the hysteresis nonlinearities over high excitation frequencies of these smart actuators in order to propose control techniques that can reduce the positioning errors.

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The dynamics of smart positioning actuators can be characterized by a Hammerstein system, that is, a cascade of a hysteresis nonlinearity and a linear dynamic system, see for example [5], [7]–[10]. Different models have been used to model hysteresis nonlinearities such as the Preisach model, generalized Prandtl-Ishlinskii (GPI) model, Duhem model, Bouc-Wen model, and the rate-dependent Prandtl-Ishlinskii model. The rate-dependent Prandtl-Ishlinskii model has been recently used to model rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities of smart material-based actuators. In [11], the rate-dependent Prandtl-Ishlinskii model has been used to model rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities of a piezoceramic actuator over different excitation frequencies between 10 and 200 Hz. In [12], the rate-dependent Prandtl-Ishlinskii model has been used to characterize rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities of a magnetostrictive actuator over different excitation frequencies between 1 and 200 Hz. In [9], the rate-dependent Prandtl-Ishlinskii model has been used to characterize rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities of a piezoceramic cantilever actuator over different excitation frequencies between 1 and 200 Hz. In this study, we consider a Hammerstein system with rate-dependent Prandtl-Ishlinskii model to characterize the dynamics of a class of smart material-based actuators. This Hammerstein system has been used to model different smart material-based actuators, see for example [7], [13].

Most of the Hammerstein systems identification algorithms consider Hammerstein systems with static nonlinearities [14]–[20]. In [21], identification of Hammerstein systems with hysteresis-backlash and hysteresis-relay nonlinearities was considered. However, hysteresis nonlinearities in smart positioning actuators cannot be described by hysteresis-backlash and hysteresis-relay nonlinearities. Pseudo random binary sequences were used in [6] to identify the linear dynamic part only of a piezoelectric actuator with a rate-independent hysteresis nonlinearity.

In this paper, we consider the problem of identifying Hammerstein systems with rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities. We assume that only the input and output of the Hammerstein system are known, where the intermediate signal of the Hammerstein system is inaccessible. The algorithm introduced in this paper consists of two stages: The first stage uses least squares with a finite impulse response (FIR) model to identify the linear part of the Hammerstein system from measurements of the input and output of the Hammerstein system. The second stage of the algorithm estimates the unknown intermediate signal using the estimated linear system and the output of the Hammerstein system. Then, a

nonparametric model of the rate-dependent hysteresis loop is obtained by plotting the reconstructed intermediate signal versus the input signal.

## II. THE HAMMERSTEIN SYSTEM

Consider the Hammerstein system shown in Figure 1, where  $u$  is the input,  $\mathcal{P} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is the rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearity,  $v$  is the unknown intermediate signal, and  $y$  is the output of the asymptotically stable, SISO, linear, time-invariant, discrete-time system  $G$ . Note that  $G$  can represent the linear dynamics of an actuator, creep effects, and vibrations [22].

### A. The Rate-Dependent Hysteresis Nonlinearity

The rate-dependent Prandtl-Ishlinskii hysteresis model has been used to model rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities in piezoceramic and magnetostrictive actuators [9], [12]. This rate-dependent model is constructed based on a linear combination of rate-dependent play hysteresis operators [11].

Let  $n$  be the number of rate-dependent play hysteresis operators. Then, for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , the output of the rate-dependent play hysteresis operator  $\mathcal{F}_{r_i(\bar{u}(k))}$  at time  $k$  is given by

$$\mathcal{F}_{r_i(\bar{u}(k))}[u](k) = \begin{cases} u(k) + r_i(\bar{u}(k)), & \Delta u(k) < 0 \text{ and } \epsilon_{1,i}(k) < 0, \\ u(k) - r_i(\bar{u}(k)), & \Delta u(k) > 0 \text{ and } \epsilon_{2,i}(k) > 0, \\ \mathcal{F}_{r_i(\bar{u}(k-1))}[u](k-1), & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $r_i(\bar{u}(k))$  are dynamic thresholds of the rate-dependent play hysteresis operators defined by

$$r_i(\bar{u}(k)) \triangleq \xi i + \beta |\bar{u}(k)|, \quad (2)$$

$\bar{u}(k)$  is the rate of the applied input at time step  $k$ ,  $\xi$  and  $\beta$  are positive constants obtained based on experimental data,

$$\Delta u(k) \triangleq u(k) - u(k-1), \quad (3)$$

$$\epsilon_{1,i}(k) \triangleq u(k) - r_i(\bar{u}(k)) - \mathcal{F}_{r_i(\bar{u}(k-1))}[u](k-1), \quad (4)$$

$$\epsilon_{2,i}(k) \triangleq u(k) + r_i(\bar{u}(k)) - \mathcal{F}_{r_i(\bar{u}(k-1))}[u](k-1). \quad (5)$$

The dynamic thresholds  $r_i$ , where  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , have been used with the rate-dependent Prandtl-Ishlinskii model to characterize rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities in piezoceramic actuators [11], piezoelectric cantilever actuators [23], and magnetostrictive actuators [12].

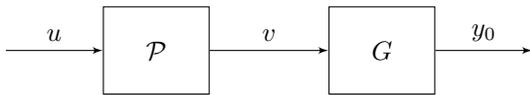


Fig. 1. Hammerstein System with a rate-dependent hysteresis model and a linear time-invariant discrete-time system  $G$ , where  $u$  is the input,  $\mathcal{P}$  is the rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearity,  $v$  is the unknown intermediate signal, and  $y$  is the output.

For all  $k \geq 0$ , the output  $v$  of the rate-dependent PI model is given by

$$v(k) \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \mathcal{F}_{r_i(\bar{u}(k))}[u](k), \quad (6)$$

where for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $p_i$  are positive weights.

Note that (1) can be written as

$$\mathcal{F}_{r_i(\bar{u}(k))}[u](k) = u(k) + q_{r_i(\bar{u}(k))}[u](k), \quad (7)$$

where

$$q_{r_i(\bar{u}(k))}[u](k) \triangleq \begin{cases} r_i(\bar{u}(k)), & \Delta u(k) < 0 \text{ and } \epsilon_{1,i}(k) < 0, \\ -r_i(\bar{u}(k)), & \Delta u(k) > 0 \text{ and } \epsilon_{2,i}(k) > 0, \\ \mathcal{F}_{r_i(\bar{u}(k-1))}[u](k-1) - u(k), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

Then, using (7), (6) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} v(k) &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i (u(k) + q_{r_i(\bar{u}(k))}[u](k)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i u(k) + \sum_{i=1}^n p_i q_{r_i(\bar{u}(k))}[u](k) \\ &= \alpha u(k) + \rho_{\bar{u}(k)}(k), \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where  $\alpha \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \in \mathbb{R}$ , and

$$\rho_{\bar{u}(k)}(k) \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i q_{r_i(\bar{u}(k))}[u](k). \quad (10)$$

### B. The Linear System

For all  $j \geq 0$ , let  $H_j$  denote the  $j$ th Markov (impulse response) parameter of  $G$ . Then,  $y_0$  can be written as [24]

$$y_0(k) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} H_j v(k-j). \quad (11)$$

Moreover, using (9), (11) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} y_0(k) &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} H_j (\alpha u(k-j) + \rho_{\bar{u}(k-j)}(k-j)) \\ &= \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} H_j u(k-j) + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} H_j \rho_{\bar{u}(k-j)}(k-j). \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

The identification algorithm and consistency analysis introduced here, extend the identification algorithm and consistency analysis introduced in [1] to Hammerstein systems with rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearities.

## III. IDENTIFICATION OF THE HAMMERSTEIN SYSTEM

The identification problem we consider is shown in Figure 2, where  $u$  is persistently exciting of a sufficient order,  $w$  is a realization of a zero-mean, stationary, white, ergodic, Gaussian random process  $\mathcal{W}$  that is uncorrelated with  $u$ , and the intermediate signal  $v$  is unknown.

### A. Identification of $G$

We consider the FIR model  $G_\mu$  of  $G$  defined by

$$G_\mu(\mathbf{q}) \triangleq \sum_{i=0}^{\mu} H_i \mathbf{q}^{-i}, \quad (13)$$

where  $\mu$  is the order of  $G_\mu$ . Then, using (11), the output of  $G$  can be written as

$$y_0(k) = y_{0,\mu}(k) + e_\mu(k), \quad (14)$$

where

$$y_{0,\mu}(k) \triangleq \sum_{j=0}^{\min\{\mu,k\}} H_j v(k-j), \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_\mu(k) &\triangleq y_0(k) - y_{0,\mu}(k) \\ &= \sum_{i=\mu+1}^{\infty} H_i v(k-i), \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

are the output of the FIR model (13) and the modeling error in the output of the FIR model (13), respectively. Note that, taking the limit of (15) as  $\mu$  tends to infinity, and using (11) yields, for all  $k \geq 0$ ,

$$\lim_{\mu \rightarrow \infty} y_{0,\mu}(k) = \sum_{j=0}^k H_j v(k-j) = y_0(k). \quad (17)$$

Therefore, for all  $k \geq 0$ ,

$$\lim_{\mu \rightarrow \infty} e_\mu(k) = y_0(k) - \lim_{\mu \rightarrow \infty} y_{0,\mu}(k) = 0. \quad (18)$$

For all  $k \geq \mu$ , (15) can be written as

$$y_{0,\mu}(k) = \theta_\mu \phi_v(k) + e_\mu(k), \quad (19)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_\mu &\triangleq [ H_0 \quad \cdots \quad H_\mu ], \\ \phi_v(k) &\triangleq [ v(k) \quad \cdots \quad v(k-\mu) ]^T. \end{aligned}$$

The least squares estimate  $\hat{\theta}_{\mu,\ell}$  of  $\theta_\mu$  is given by

$$\hat{\theta}_{\mu,\ell} = \arg \min_{\theta_\mu \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times \mu}} \|\Psi_{y,\ell} - \theta_\mu \Phi_{\mu,\ell}\|_F, \quad (20)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{y,\ell} &\triangleq [ y(\mu) \quad \cdots \quad y(\ell) ], \\ \Phi_{\mu,\ell} &\triangleq [ \phi_\mu(\mu) \quad \cdots \quad \phi_\mu(\ell) ], \\ \phi_\mu(k) &\triangleq [ u(k) \quad \cdots \quad u(k-\mu) ]^T, \end{aligned}$$

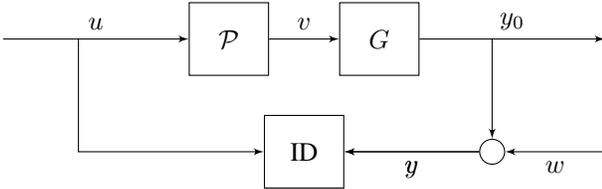


Fig. 2. Identification of the Hammerstein system, where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearity,  $G$  is a linear system,  $u$  is the applied input,  $y$  is the measured output,  $w$  is the output sensor noise, and  $v$  is the unknown intermediate signal.

and  $\ell$  is the number of samples.

It follows from (20) that the least squares estimate  $\hat{\theta}_{\mu,\ell}$  of  $\theta_\mu$  satisfies

$$\Psi_{y,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T = \hat{\theta}_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T. \quad (21)$$

### IV. CONSISTENCY ANALYSIS

Note from Figure 2 that for all  $k \geq 0$ ,  $y(k)$  can be written as

$$y(k) = y_0(k) + w(k). \quad (22)$$

Then, using (19), for all  $k \geq \mu$ , (22) can be written as

$$y(k) = \theta_\mu \phi_v(k) + e_\mu(k) + w(k). \quad (23)$$

Therefore, it follows from (23) that

$$\Psi_{y,\ell} = \theta_\mu \Phi_{v,\ell} + \Psi_{w,\ell} + \Psi_{e_\mu,\ell}, \quad (24)$$

where

$$\Phi_{v,\ell} \triangleq [ \phi_v(\mu) \quad \cdots \quad \phi_v(\ell) ], \quad (25)$$

$$\Psi_{w,\ell} \triangleq [ w(\mu) \quad \cdots \quad w(\ell) ], \quad (26)$$

$$\Psi_{e_\mu,\ell} \triangleq [ e_\mu(\mu) \quad \cdots \quad e_\mu(\ell) ]. \quad (27)$$

Using (24), (21) becomes

$$(\theta_\mu \Phi_{v,\ell} + \Psi_{w,\ell} + \Psi_{e_\mu,\ell}) \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T = \hat{\theta}_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T. \quad (28)$$

Using (9), note that for all  $k \geq 0$ ,

$$\phi_v(k) = \alpha \phi_u(k) + \phi_{\rho_{\bar{u}(k)}(k)}, \quad (29)$$

where

$$\phi_{\rho_{\bar{u}(k)}(k)} \triangleq [ \rho_{\bar{u}(k)}(k) \quad \cdots \quad \rho_{\bar{u}(k-\mu)}(k-\mu) ]^T. \quad (30)$$

Therefore, using (29) we can write

$$\Phi_{v,\ell} = \alpha \Phi_{\mu,\ell} + \Phi_{\rho_{\bar{u},\ell}}, \quad (31)$$

where

$$\Phi_{\rho_{\bar{u},\ell}} \triangleq [ \phi_{\rho_{\bar{u}(\mu)}(\mu)}(\mu) \quad \cdots \quad \phi_{\rho_{\bar{u}(\ell)}(\ell)}(\ell) ]. \quad (32)$$

Then, using (31), (28) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \theta_\mu \Phi_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T + \theta_\mu \Phi_{\rho_{\bar{u},\ell}} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T + \Psi_{w,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T + \Psi_{e_\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T \\ = \hat{\theta}_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Next, dividing (33) by  $\ell$  and taking the limit as  $\ell$  tends to infinity yields

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \theta_\mu \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T + \theta_\mu \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\rho_{\bar{u},\ell}} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T + \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Psi_{w,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T \\ + \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Psi_{e_\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T = \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{\mu,\ell} \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T. \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Since  $w$  is a realization of a white, zero-mean random process that is uncorrelated with  $u$ , then  $\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Psi_{w,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T = 0_{1 \times \mu}$ . Therefore, (34) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \theta_\mu \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T + \theta_\mu \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\rho_{\bar{u},\ell}} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T \\ + \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Psi_{e_\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T = \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{\mu,\ell} \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell} \Phi_{\mu,\ell}^T. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Since  $u$  is a persistently exciting signal of a sufficient order, then  $Q \triangleq \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\mu, \ell} \Phi_{\mu, \ell}^T$  has full rank. Therefore, multiplying (35) by  $Q^{-1}$  from the right yields

$$\alpha \theta_\mu + \theta_\mu R_{\rho_{\bar{u}}} Q^{-1} + \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Psi_{e_\mu, \ell} \Phi_{\mu, \ell}^T Q^{-1} = \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{\mu, \ell}, \quad (36)$$

where  $R_{\rho_{\bar{u}}} \triangleq \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\rho_{\bar{u}}, \ell} \Phi_{\rho_{\bar{u}}, \ell}^T$ .

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\rho_{\bar{u}}} &= \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\rho_{\bar{u}}, \ell} \Phi_{\rho_{\bar{u}}, \ell}^T \\ &= \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{\bar{u}(\mu)}(\mu) & \cdots & \rho_{\bar{u}(\ell)}(\ell) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \rho_{\bar{u}(0)}(0) & \cdots & \rho_{\bar{u}(\ell-\mu)}(\ell-\mu) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u(\mu) \cdots & u(0) \\ \vdots & \cdots \\ u(\ell) \cdots & u(\ell-\mu) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=\mu}^{\ell} \rho_{\bar{u}(i)}(i) u(i) & \cdots & \sum_{j=\mu}^{\ell} \rho_{\bar{u}(i)}(i) u(i-\mu) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{j=\mu}^{\ell} \rho_{\bar{u}(i-\mu)}(i-\mu) u(i) & \cdots & \sum_{j=0}^{\ell-\mu} \rho_{\bar{u}(i)}(i) u(i) \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Moreover, note that

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Phi_{\mu, \ell} \Phi_{\mu, \ell}^T \\ &= \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \begin{bmatrix} u(\mu) & \cdots & u(\ell) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ u(0) & \cdots & u(\ell-\mu) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u(\mu) & \cdots & u(0) \\ \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ u(\ell) & \cdots & u(\ell-\mu) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=\mu}^{\ell} u(i)^2 & \cdots & \sum_{j=\mu}^{\ell} u(i) u(i-\mu) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{j=\mu}^{\ell} u(i) u(i-\mu) & \cdots & \sum_{j=0}^{\ell-\mu} u(i)^2 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

Note from (37) and (38) that if the entries of  $R_{\rho_{\bar{u}}}$  are much smaller than the entries of  $Q$ , then  $R_{\rho_{\bar{u}}} Q^{-1}$  can be neglected. We choose  $u$  such that  $R_{\rho_{\bar{u}}} Q^{-1}$  is small, and thus (36) becomes

$$\alpha \theta_\mu + \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Psi_{e_\mu, \ell} \Phi_{\mu, \ell}^T Q^{-1} \approx \lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{\mu, \ell}. \quad (39)$$

Note from (18) and (27) that, as  $\mu$  increases, the entries of  $\Psi_{e_\mu, \ell}$  become smaller. Therefore, we choose  $\mu$  to be large enough such that

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell} \Psi_{e_\mu, \ell, \mu} \Phi_{u, \ell, \mu}^T \approx 0_{1 \times (\mu+1)}. \quad (40)$$

Therefore, (39) becomes

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{\mu, \ell} \approx \alpha \theta_\mu, \quad (41)$$

which indicates that  $\hat{\theta}_{\mu, \ell}$  is correct up to an unknown scalar factor.

## V. IDENTIFICATION OF THE RATE-DEPENDENT HYSTERESIS NONLINEARITY

To identify the hysteresis nonlinearity, we first consider estimating the unknown intermediate signal  $v$ . Then, plotting the estimate  $\hat{v}$  of  $v$  versus the input  $u$  will yield an estimate of the hysteresis nonlinearity [1]. Since we have a rate-dependent hysteresis nonlinearity, we consider estimating the hysteresis nonlinearity under different frequencies of the excitation signal  $u$ .

The eigensystem realization algorithm (ERA), which is based on the Ho-Kalman realization theory can be used to construct a transfer function estimate  $\hat{G}$  of  $G$  from the estimated Markov parameters obtained from (20) [25], [26]. The estimate  $\hat{v}$  of  $v$  can then be obtained by applying the output  $y$  as an input to the estimated transfer function  $\hat{G}^{-1}$  of  $G^{-1}$ . Noncausal FIR approximations of  $\hat{G}^{-1}$  can be used if  $\hat{G}^{-1}$  is noncausal or unstable [1], [24].

Suppose that  $\hat{G}^{-1}$  is analytic in the open annulus  $\mathbb{A}(\rho_1, \rho_2) \triangleq \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| > \rho_1 \text{ and } |z| < \rho_2\}$ , where  $\rho_1 < 1 < \rho_2$ . Then, the Laurent expansion of  $\hat{G}^{-1}$  in  $\mathbb{A}(\rho_1, \rho_2)$  is given by

$$\hat{G}^{-1}(z) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{h}_i z^{-i}, \quad (42)$$

where  $\hat{h}_i$  is the  $i$ th coefficient of the Laurent expansion of  $\hat{G}^{-1}$  in  $\mathbb{A}(\rho_1, \rho_2)$ . Truncating the sum in (42) yields

$$\hat{G}_{\text{inv}, r, d}(\mathbf{q}) \triangleq \sum_{i=-d}^r \hat{h}_i \mathbf{q}^{-i}, \quad (43)$$

where  $r$  and  $d$  are the orders of the causal and noncausal parts of  $\hat{G}_{\text{inv}, r, d}$ , respectively. Assuming that  $\hat{G}^{-1}$  has no poles on the unit circle, then there exist finite  $r$  and  $d$  such that  $\|\hat{G}^{-1} - \hat{G}_{\text{inv}, r, d}\|$  is negligible [24, Theorem 4.1], [27].

To obtain the estimate  $\hat{v}$  of  $v$ , we use  $y$  as an input to (43), which yields, for all  $k \geq r$ ,

$$\hat{v}(k) = \hat{G}_{\text{inv}, r, d}(\mathbf{q}) y(k) = \sum_{i=-d}^r \hat{h}_i y(k-i). \quad (44)$$

Finally, a nonparametric model of the hysteresis nonlinearity is obtained by plotting the estimate  $\hat{v}$  of  $v$  versus  $u$  under different frequencies of the excitation signal  $u$ .

## VI. A NUMERICAL EXAMPLE

*Example 6.1:* In this example, we consider the transfer function

$$G(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{(\mathbf{q} + 0.3)(\mathbf{q} - 0.2)}{(\mathbf{q} + 0.5)(\mathbf{q} - 0.6)}, \quad (45)$$

and the rate-dependent play operators with the weights  $p_1 = 1$ ,  $p_2 = 0.5$ ,  $p_3 = 0.33$ ,  $p_4 = 0.25$ , and  $p_5 = 0.2$ , and, for  $i = 1, \dots, 5$ , the dynamic threshold of

$$r_i(\bar{u}(k)) = 0.5i + 0.0001|\bar{u}(k)|, \quad (46)$$

where  $\bar{u}(k) = \frac{1}{T_s}(u(k) - u(k-1))$  and  $T_s = 0.1$  sec is the sampling time.

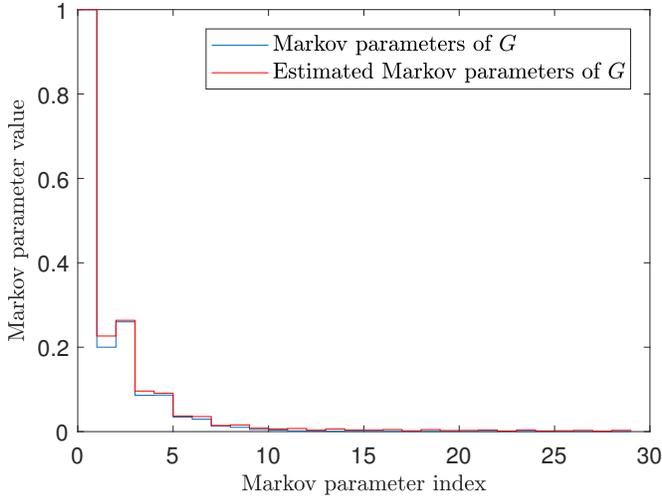


Fig. 3. Markov parameters of  $G$  and the estimated Markov parameters of  $G$  after scaling.

For all  $k \geq 0$ , let

$$u(k) = \sum_{i=1}^{100} \sin(\omega_i T_s k), \quad (47)$$

where for all  $i = 1, \dots, 100$ ,  $\omega_i = i$ . To identify  $G$  consider  $u$  and  $y$  with least squares and an FIR model with order  $\mu = 30$ . Figure 3 shows the Markov parameters of  $G$  and the estimated Markov parameters of  $G$  after scaling. Then, we construct an IIR model  $\hat{G}$  of  $G$  using ERA and the estimated Markov parameters of  $G$  after scaling. Figure 4 shows the Bode plot of  $G$  and  $\hat{G}$ . We apply  $y$  as an input to the noncausal FIR approximation  $\hat{G}_{\text{inv},r,d}$  of  $\hat{G}^{-1}$ . Figure 5 shows the intermediate signal  $v$  and the estimate  $\hat{v}$  of  $v$ , obtained by applying  $y$  as an input to the noncausal FIR approximation  $\hat{G}_{\text{inv},r,d}$  of  $\hat{G}^{-1}$ .

Next, suppose that for all  $k \geq 0$ ,  $u(k) = \sin(2\pi f T_s k)$ , where  $f = 10, 50, 100$ , and  $200$  Hz. For each case of  $f$ , we use the output  $y$  due to the sinusoidal input  $u$  and the noncausal FIR approximation  $\hat{G}_{\text{inv},r,d}$  of  $\hat{G}^{-1}$  to estimate the unknown intermediate signal  $\hat{v}$  due to the sinusoidal input  $u$ . Finally, Figure 6 shows the true and estimated hysteresis loops obtained for  $f = 10, 50, 100$ , and  $200$  Hz.

## VII. CONCLUSIONS

This study proposed an algorithm to identify the nonlinear dynamics of a piezomicropositioning actuator, which is modeled as a Hammerstein system, that is, a cascade of a rate-dependent PI hysteresis nonlinearity with a linear dynamic system. We showed that the estimates of the Markov parameters of the linear system obtained using least squares with an FIR model are semi-consistent, that is, correct up to an unknown scalar factor. ERA was used to construct a transfer function estimate of the linear system from the estimated Markov parameters. An estimate of the intermediate signal was obtained by applying the output of the Hammerstein system as an input to the noncausal FIR approximation of

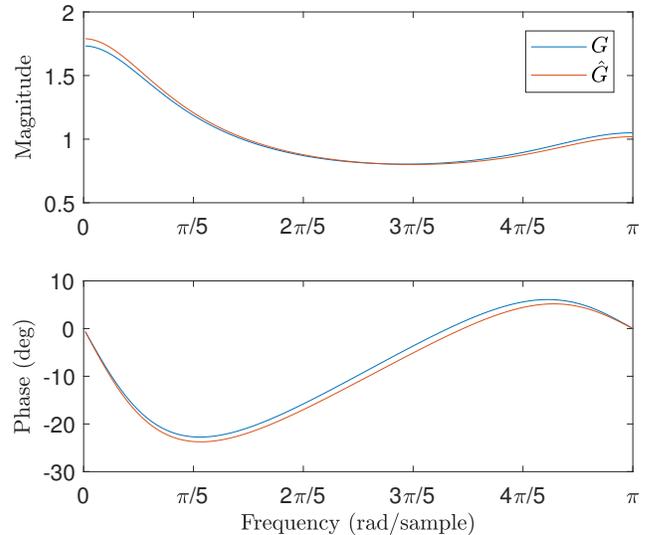


Fig. 4. Bode plot of  $G$  and the identified model  $\hat{G}$ .

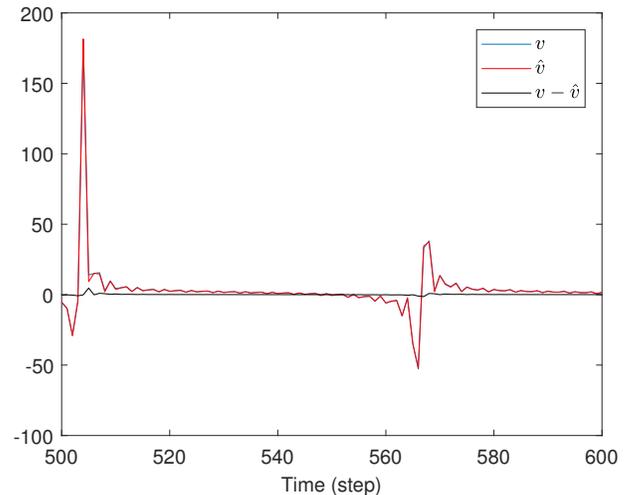


Fig. 5. Plot of the intermediate signal  $v$  and the estimate  $\hat{v}$  obtained by applying  $y$  as an input to the noncausal FIR approximation  $\hat{G}_{\text{inv},r,d}$  of  $\hat{G}^{-1}$ , where  $u$  is given by (47).

the inverse of the estimate of the linear system. Finally, the input to the Hammerstein system and the estimate of the intermediate signal were used to obtain a nonparametric estimate of the hysteresis nonlinearity.

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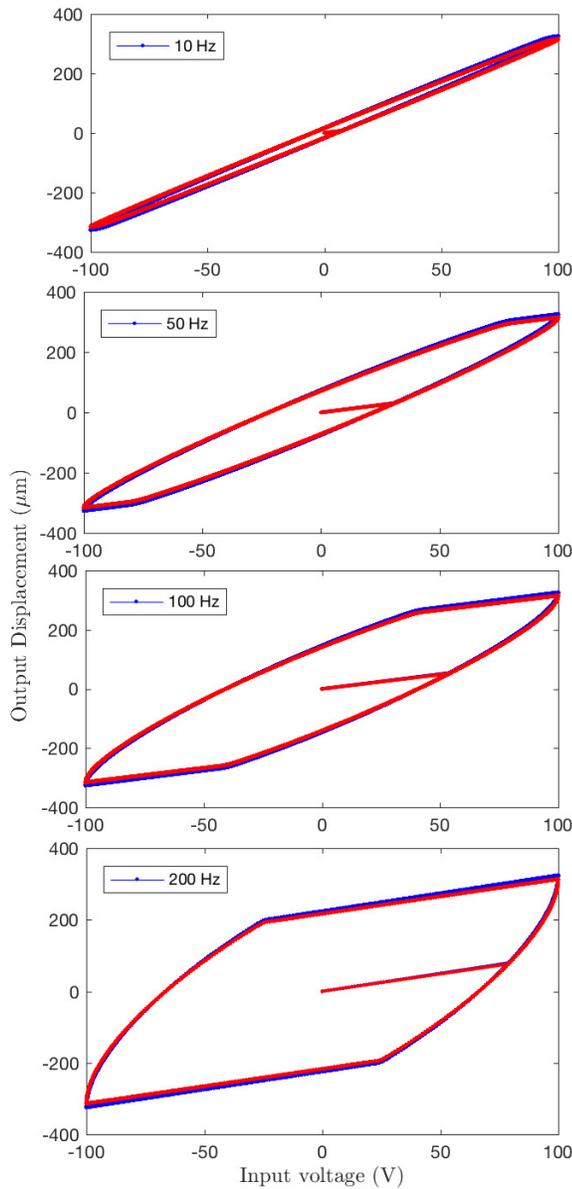


Fig. 6. True hysteresis loop (blue) and estimated hysteresis loop (red) for the case of  $f = 10$  Hz,  $f = 50$  Hz,  $f = 100$  Hz, and  $f = 200$  Hz. Note that the presented algorithm can estimate rate-dependent hysteresis loops at different frequencies.

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