

Local module identification in dynamic networks with correlated noise – the full input case

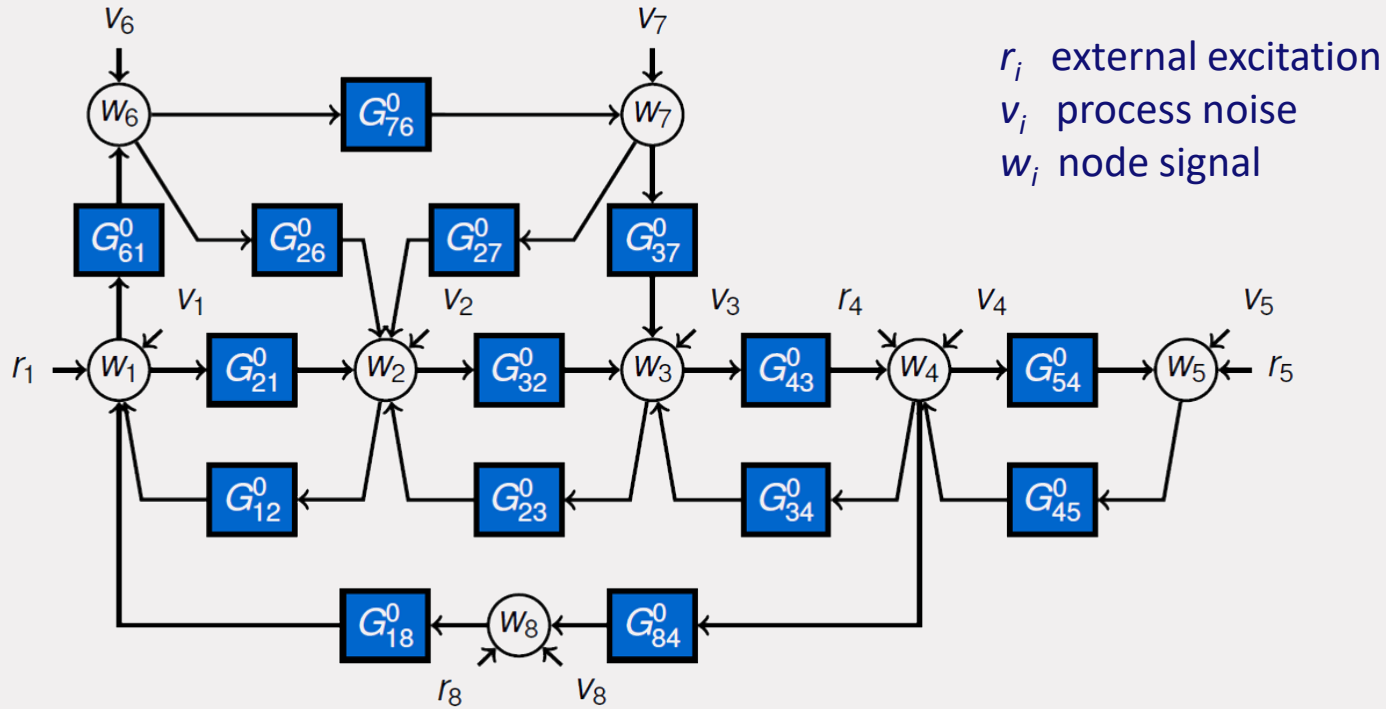
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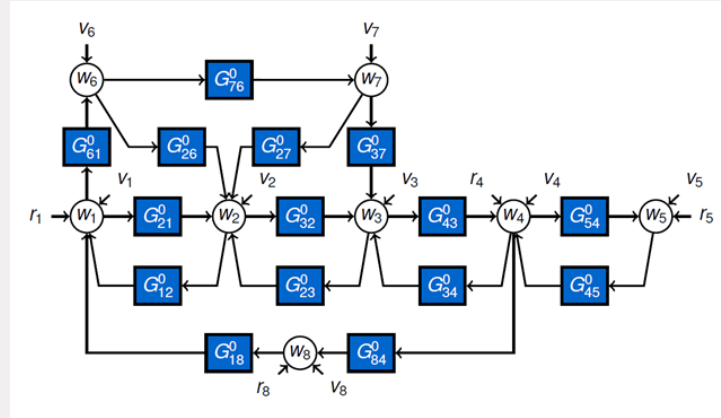
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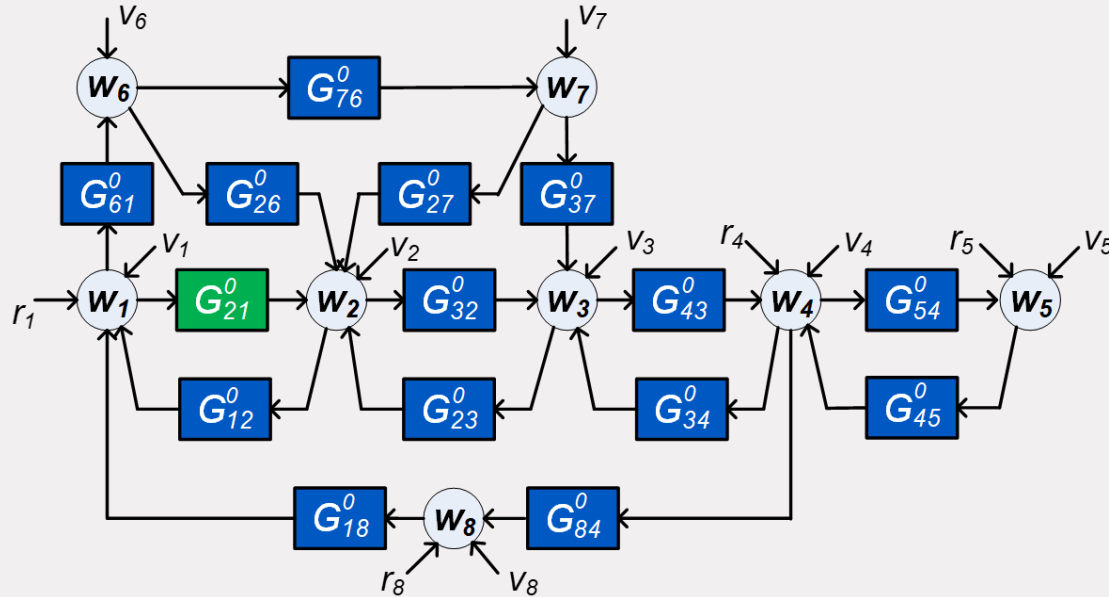
Assumptions:

- Total of L nodes
- Network is well-posed and stable
- Modules are dynamic, may be unstable
- Disturbances are stationary stochastic and can be correlated

$$\begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_L \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & G_{12}^0 & \cdots & G_{1L}^0 \\ G_{21}^0 & 0 & \cdots & G_{2L}^0 \\ \vdots & \cdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ G_{L1}^0 & G_{L2}^0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{G^0(q)} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_L \end{bmatrix} + R^0 \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_K \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_L \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w(t) = G^0(q)w(t) + R^0(q)r(t) + v(t)$$

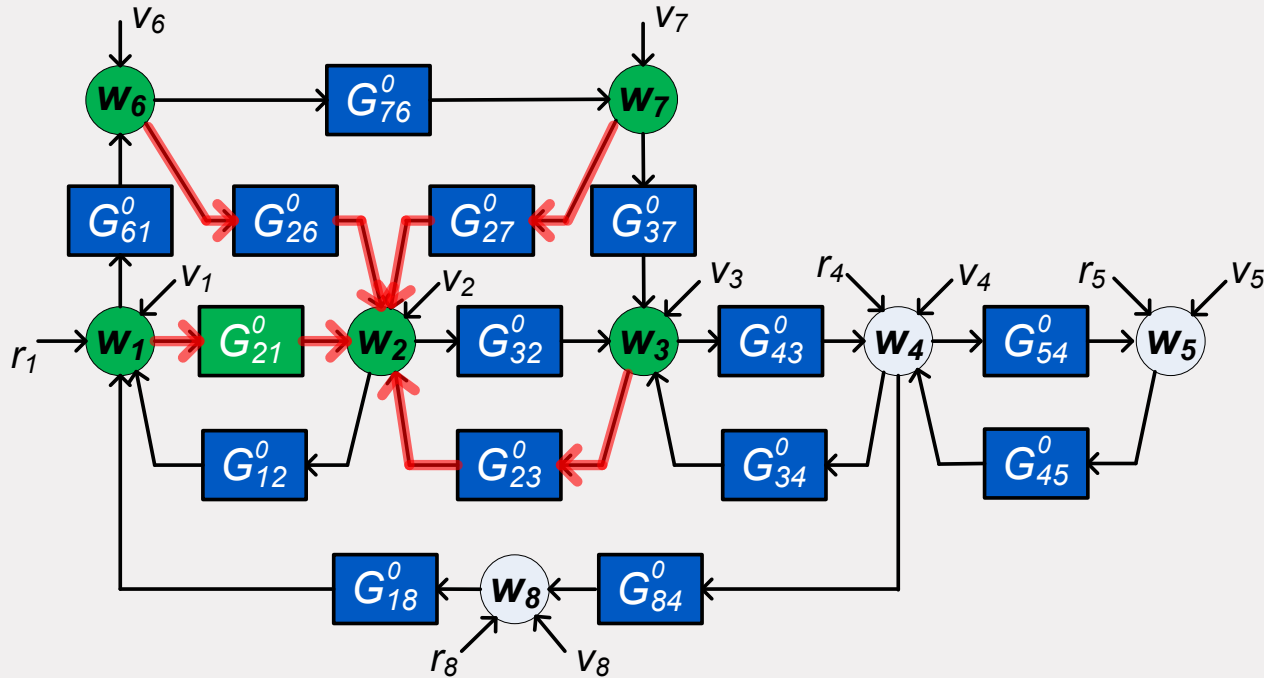
Single module identification



For a network with known topology:

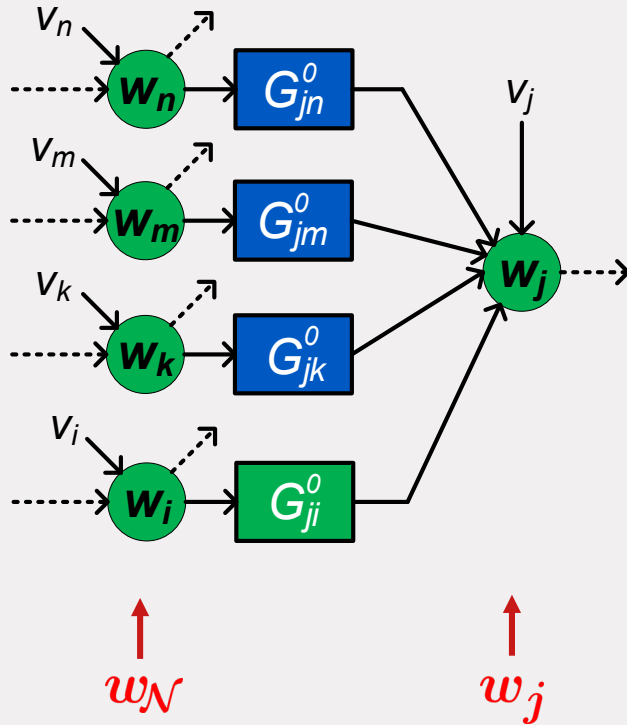
- Identify G_{21}^0 on the basis of measured signals
- Which signals to measure? Preference for local measurements

Single module identification



Identifying G_{21}^0 is part of a multi-input, single-output problem

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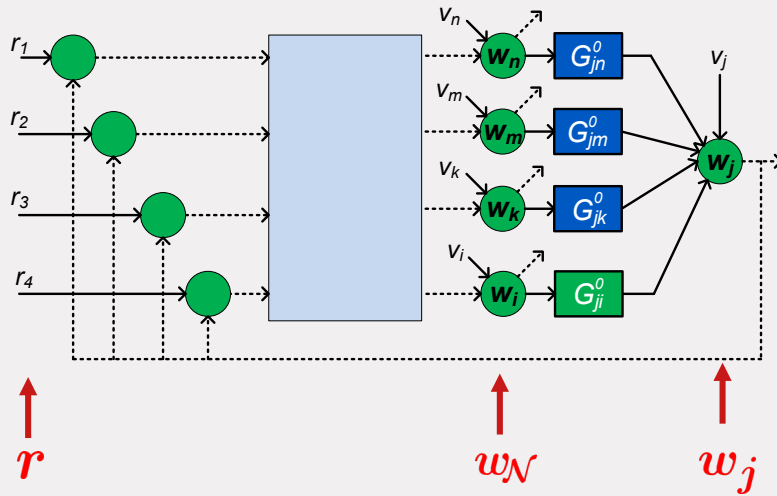


Multi-input single-output identification problem
to be addressed by a closed-loop identification method

Options:

1. Indirect identification
2. Direct identification

Single module identification



1. Indirect identification^{[1][2]}

- sufficient number of external excitations r
- estimate T_{Nr} and T_{jr} consistently, and determine

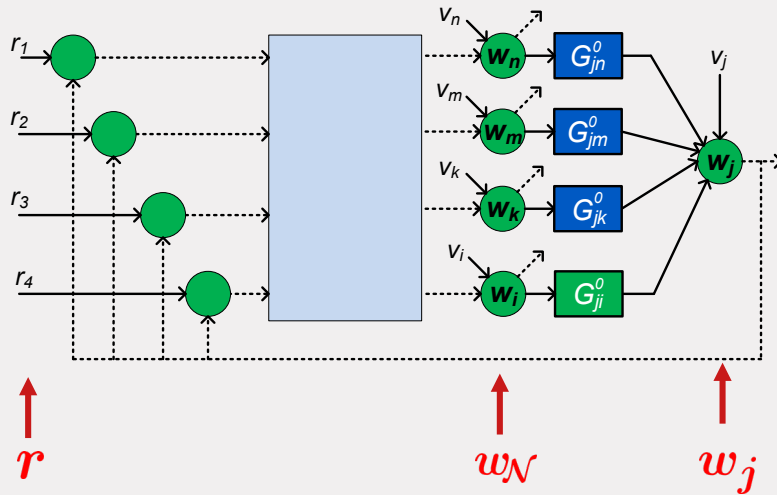
$$\hat{G}_{jN} = \hat{T}_{jr} \hat{T}_{Nr}^{-1}$$
- consistent estimate, also if v correlated
- noise signals not used for estimation (no minimum variance)
- freedom in location of r -signals (e.g. directly on w_N)
- we do not necessarily need all inputs to w_j to be included in w_N ^[3]

[1] VdHof et al., Automatica 2013

[2] Gevers et al., SYSID 2018; Bazanella et al., CDC 2019

[3] Dankers et al., IEEE-TAC, 2016

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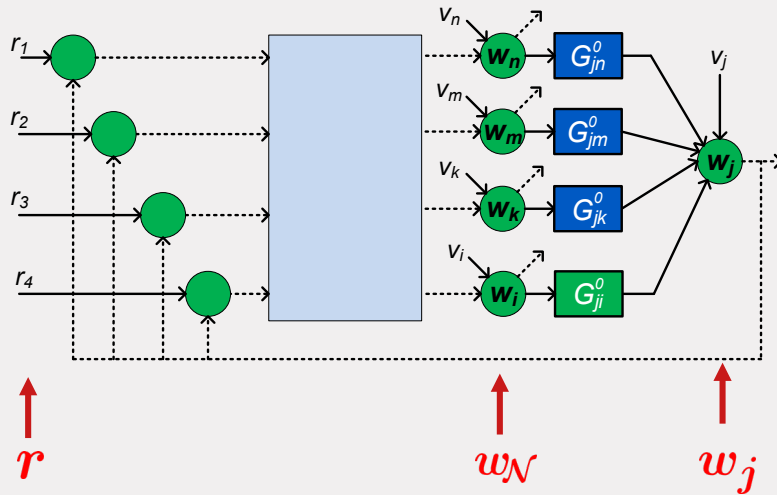
2. Direct identification^[1]

- Estimate transfer $w_N \rightarrow w_j$ and model the disturbance process on the output.
- consistent estimate and ML properties
- provided there is enough excitation,
- and v_j uncorrelated with other v signals
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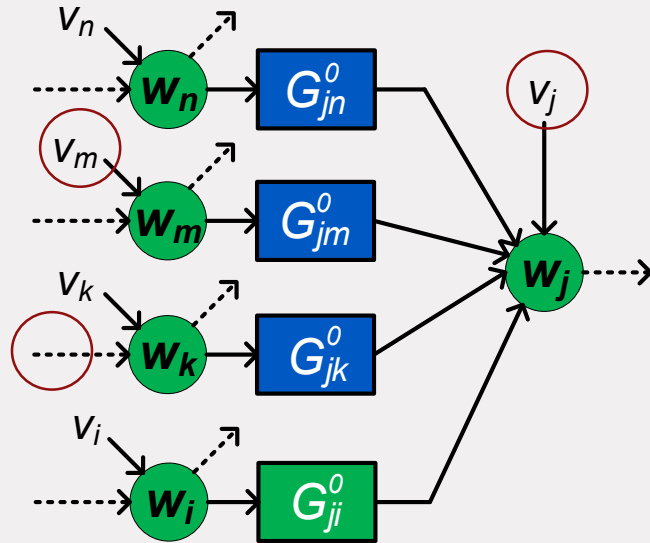
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How to deal with correlations between v signals in the direct method?

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Direct identification



Currently available results

For a consistent and **minimum variance estimate** (direct method) there is one additional condition:

- absence of **confounding variables**,^{[1][2]} i.e. correlated disturbances on inputs and outputs

Two different types of confounding variables:

- **Direct-type:** v_j is correlated to any term in $v_{\mathcal{N}}$
- **Indirect-type:** v_j is correlated to any other $v_\alpha, \alpha \notin \mathcal{N}$ that has a path to $w_{\mathcal{N}}$

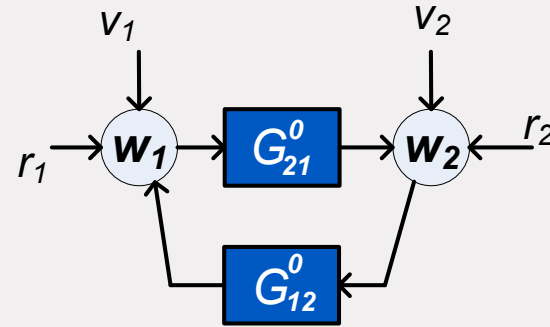
^[1]J. Pearl, *Stat. Surveys*, 3, 96-146, 2009

^[2]A.G. Dankers et al., *Proc. IFAC World Congress*, 2017.

Direct confounding variables

Back to the (classical) closed-loop problem:

Direct identification of G_{21}^0 can be consistent provided that v_1 and v_2 are uncorrelated



In case of correlation between v_1 and v_2 (direct confounding variable): MIMO approach joint prediction of w_1 and w_2 leads to ML results,

⇒ model w_1 and w_2 both as input and output,
and model the joint disturbance process

Joint estimation of G_{21}^0 and G_{12}^0 : Joint-direct method^[1,2,3,4].

Direct confounding variables: add a predicted output and model the correlated disturbances

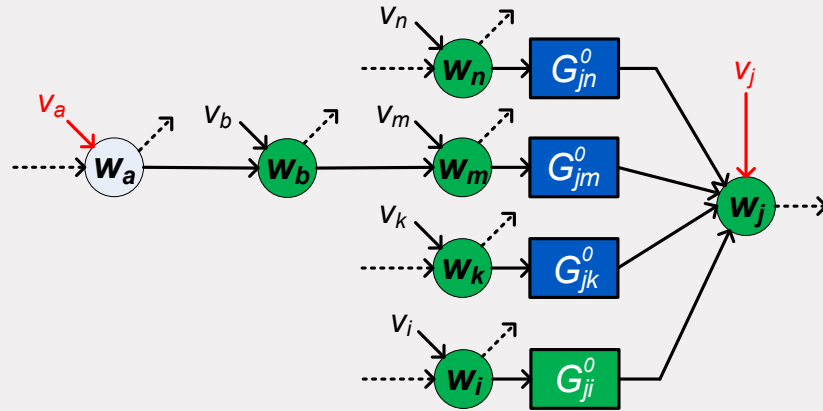
^[1] P.M.J. Van den Hof et al. *Proc. 56th IEEE CDC*, 2017

^[3] T.S. Ng, G.C. Goodwin, B.D.O. Anderson, *Automatica*, 1977

^[2] H.H.M. Weerts et al., *Automatica*, Dec. 2018.

^[4] B.D.O. Anderson and M. Gevers, *Automatica* 1982.

Indirect confounding variables



If v_j and v_a are correlated, then the effect of the confounding variable can be “blocked” by

- measuring a node on each path from w_a to w_N , and
- including the “blocking nodes” as predictor inputs in the model

General algorithm philosophy

- 1) Start with output of target module and its predictor inputs
- 2) Handle direct confounding variables
 - Add inputs to predicted outputs $\rightarrow w_{\Omega}$
 - Add predicted inputs for the modified outputs $\rightarrow w_{\mathcal{A}}$
 - Repeat step 2
- 3) Handle indirect confounding variables
 - Add predictor inputs $\rightarrow w_{\mathcal{B}}$

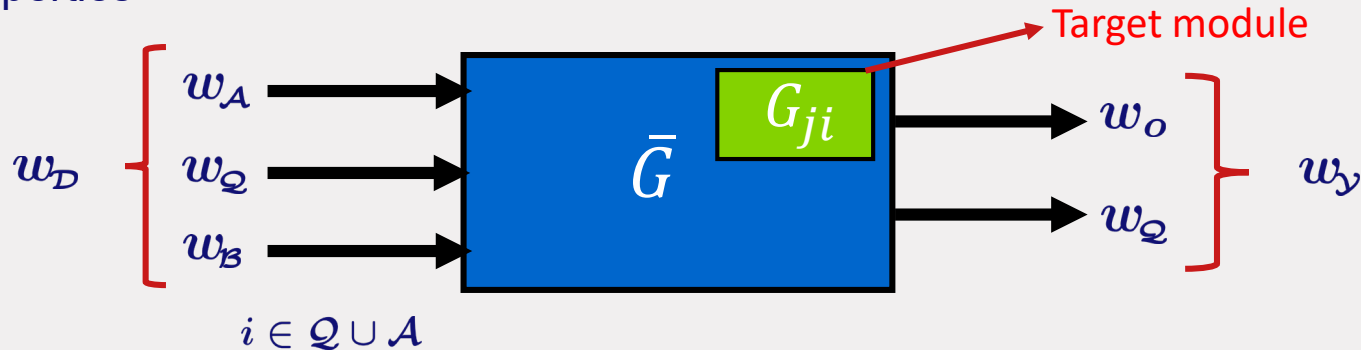


MIMO identification setup

Sets of signals:

- Only predictor inputs $\rightarrow w_A, w_B$
- Only predicted output $\rightarrow w_o$
- Both predictor inputs and predicted outputs $\rightarrow w_Q$

Direct identification $w_D \rightarrow w_y$: Identification of G_{ji} can be consistent with ML properties

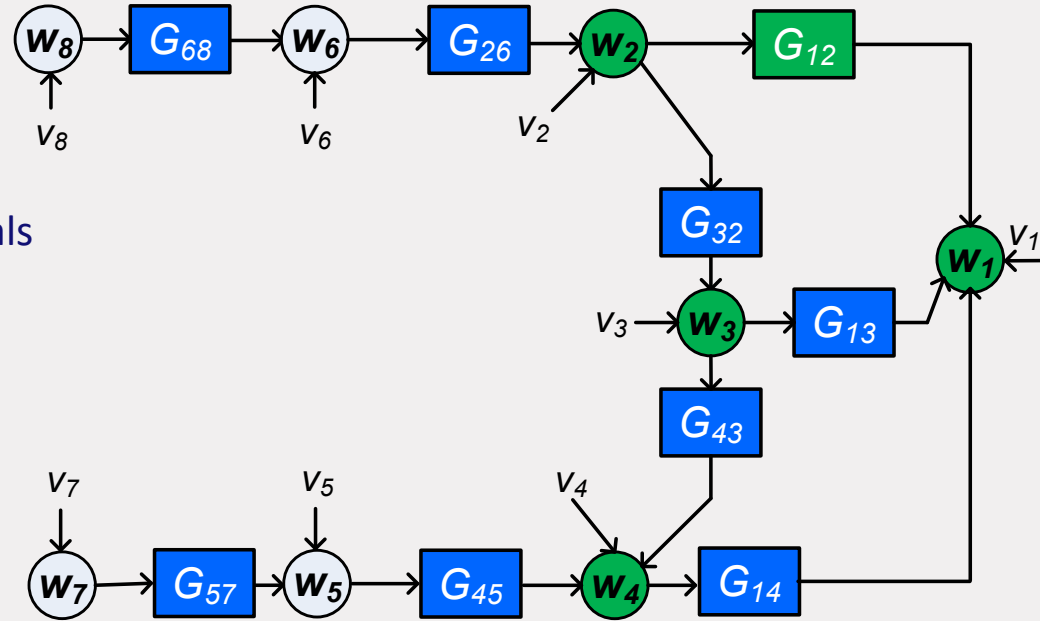


Full input case

We include all in-neighbors of the predicted outputs as predictor inputs

Maximum use of information in the signals

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Network with v_1 correlated with v_3 and v_6 .

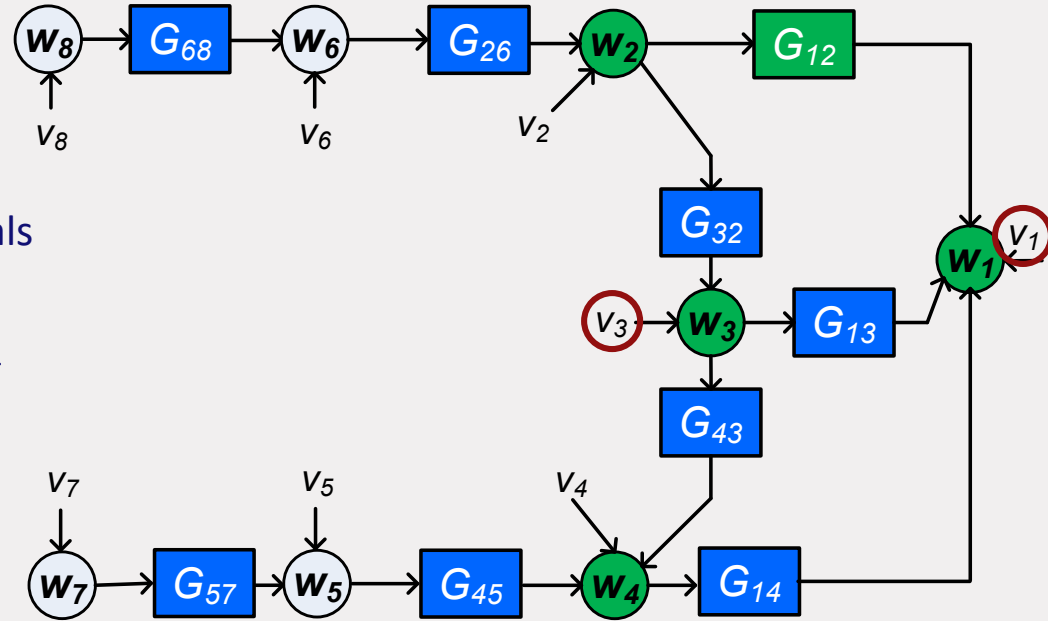
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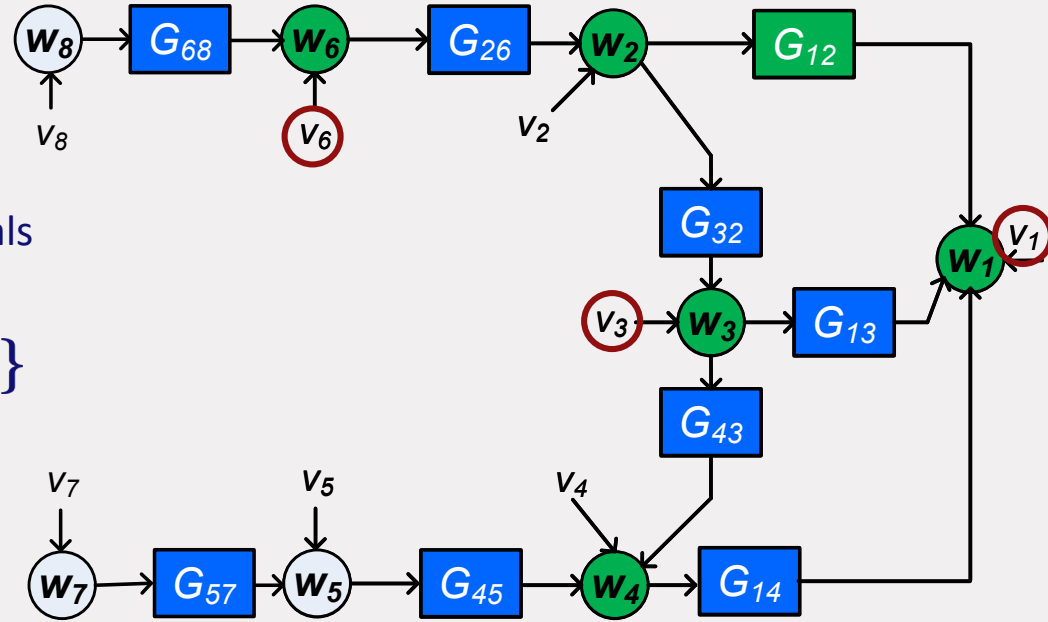
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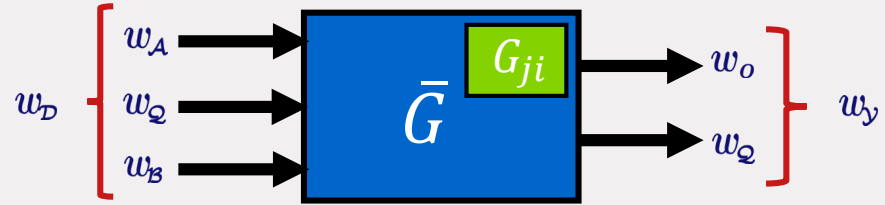
Direct identification: $w_D \rightarrow w_y$



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Generalization of result

Conditions for consistent (and ML) estimation of G_{ji} :



- System in the model set
- Any indirect confounding variable for $w_A \rightarrow (w_Q, w_o)$ is blocked by a node in w_B
- There are no confounding variables for $w_B \rightarrow w_A$
- There are no direct or unmeasured paths from $(w_i \cup w_j)$ to w_B
- There is persistence of excitation, i.e. $\Phi_\kappa(\omega) > 0$ at a sufficient number of frequencies, with

$$\kappa = \begin{bmatrix} w_D \\ \xi_Q \\ w_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and } \xi_Q \text{ the innovation process of } w_Q$$

- All modules in G are strictly proper or satisfy some technical delay conditions

Summary

- Methods for **consistent** and **minimum variance** estimation of a single module
- For direct method: treatment of confounding variables / correlated disturbances
- Particular situation: full-input case.
Can be generalized to other setups to create more flexibility in choice of sensors^[1].
- A priori known modules can be accounted for
- Generalizing towards combining **direct** and **indirect** approach:
Ramaswamy et al. (later in this session)

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