

STABILITY OF SWITCHED SYSTEMS

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SWITCHED vs. HYBRID SYSTEMS

Switched system:

$$\dot{x} = f_{\sigma}(x)$$

- $\dot{x} = f_p(x)$, $p \in \mathcal{P}$ is a family of systems
- $\sigma : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$ is a **switching signal**

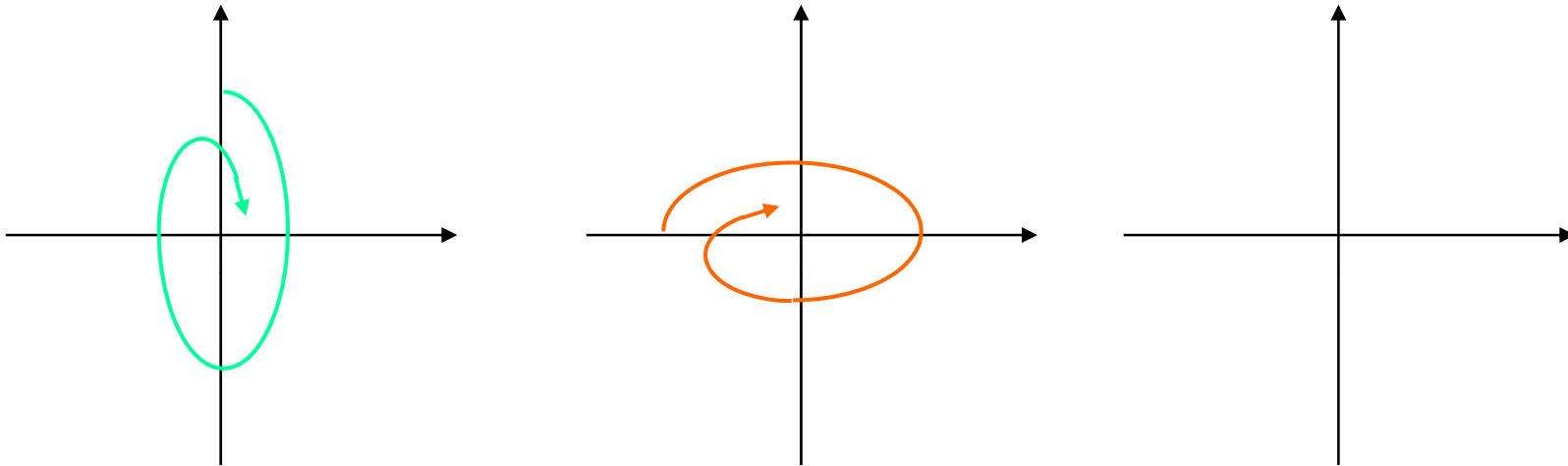
Switching can be:

- State-dependent or time-dependent
- Autonomous or controlled

Details of discrete behavior are “abstracted away”

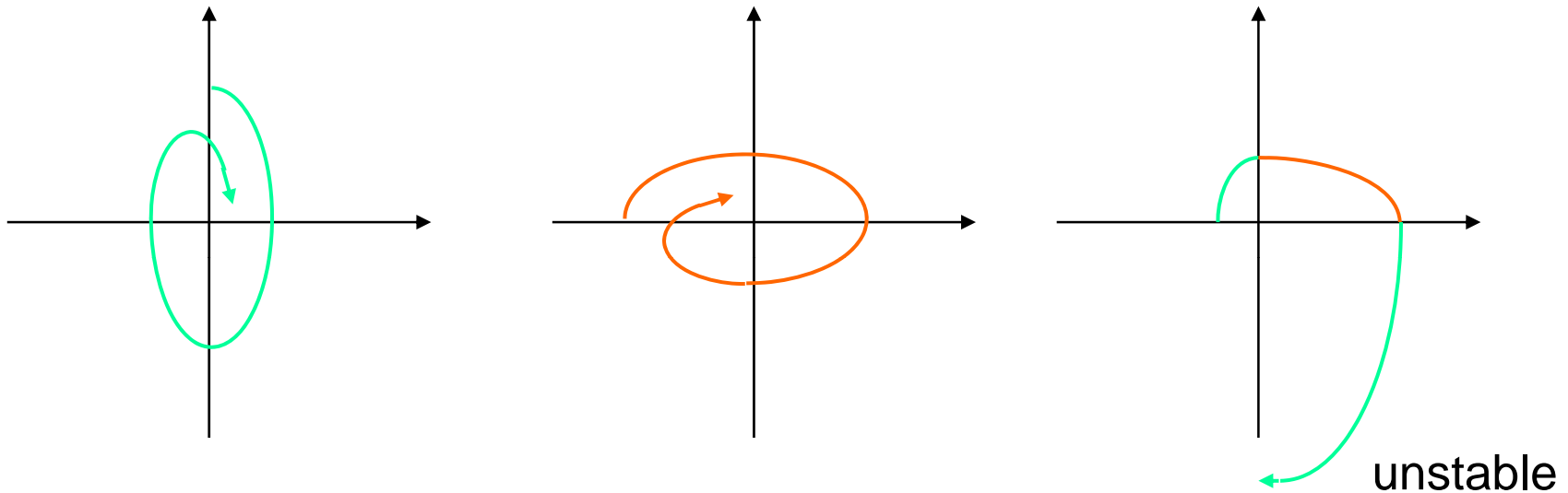
Properties of the continuous state: **stability**

STABILITY ISSUE



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Asymptotic stability of each subsystem is
necessary **but not sufficient** for stability

(This only happens in dimensions 2 or higher)

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GLOBAL UNIFORM ASYMPTOTIC STABILITY

GUAS is Lyapunov stability

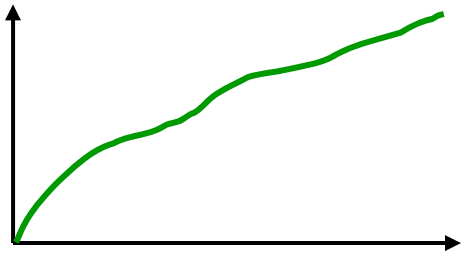
$$\forall \varepsilon \exists \delta |x(0)| \leq \delta \Rightarrow |x(t)| \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall t \geq 0, \forall \sigma$$

plus asymptotic convergence

$$\forall \varepsilon, \delta \exists T |x(0)| \leq \delta \Rightarrow |x(t)| \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall t \geq T, \forall \sigma$$

Reduces to standard GAS notion for non-switched systems

COMPARISON FUNCTIONS



class \mathcal{K} function

$\beta(\cdot, \cdot)$ is of class \mathcal{KL} if

- $\beta(\cdot, t) \in \mathcal{K}$ for each fixed t
- $\beta(r, t) \searrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ for each r

Example: $\beta(r, t) = cre^{-\lambda t}$, $c, \lambda > 0$

GUES

GUAS: $|x(t)| \leq \beta(|x(0)|, t) \quad \forall t \geq 0$

COMMON LYAPUNOV FUNCTION

Lyapunov theorem: $\dot{x} = f(x)$ is GAS iff \exists pos def rad unbdd

C^1 function $V: \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ s.t. $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$

Similarly: $\dot{x} = f_\sigma(x)$ is GUAS iff $\exists V$ s.t.

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f_p(x) \leq -W(x) \quad \forall x, \forall p \in \mathcal{P}$$

where W is positive definite

COMMON LYAPUNOV FUNCTION (continued)

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f_p(x) \leq -W(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0, p \in \mathcal{P}$$

Unless \mathcal{P} is compact and f_p is continuous,

$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f_p(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0, p \in \mathcal{P}$ is not enough

Example: $f_p(x) = -px, \mathcal{P} = (0, 1]$

$$V(x) = \frac{x^2}{2}, \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f_p(x) = -px^2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } p \rightarrow 0$$

$$x(t) = e^{-\int_0^t \sigma(\tau) d\tau} x(0) \not\rightarrow 0 \quad \text{if } \sigma \in L^1$$

CONVEX COMBINATIONS

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f_p(x) \leq -W(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0, p \in \mathcal{P}$$

Define $f_{p,q,\alpha}(x) = \alpha f_p(x) + (1 - \alpha) f_q(x)$
 $p, q \in \mathcal{P}, \alpha \in [0,1]$

Corollary: $\dot{x} = f_{p,q,\alpha}(x)$ is GAS $\forall p, q, \alpha$

Proof:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f_{p,q,\alpha}(x) = \alpha \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f_p(x) + (1 - \alpha) \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f_q(x) \leq -W(x)$$

SWITCHED LINEAR SYSTEMS

$$\dot{x} = A_{\sigma}x$$

LAS for every σ



GUES



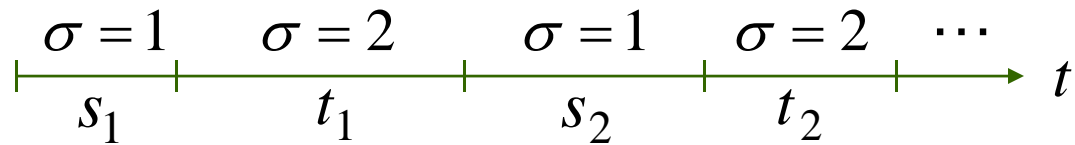
\exists common Lyapunov function

but not necessarily quadratic:

$$V(x) = x^T P x, \quad A_p^T P + P A_p < 0 \quad \forall p \in \mathcal{P} \quad (\text{LMIs})$$

COMMUTING STABLE MATRICES \Rightarrow GUES

$$P = \{1, 2\}, \quad A_1 A_2 = A_2 A_1$$



$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= e^{A_2 t_k} e^{A_1 s_k} \dots e^{A_2 t_1} e^{A_1 s_1} x(0) \\ &= e^{A_2 (t_k + \dots + t_1)} e^{A_1 (s_k + \dots + s_1)} x(0) \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

\exists quadratic common Lyap fcn:

$$A_1^T P_1 + P_1 A_1 = -I$$

$$A_2^T \textcircled{P_2} + \textcircled{P_2} A_2 = -P_1$$

LIE ALGEBRAS and STABILITY

Lie algebra: $\mathfrak{g} = \{A_p, p \in P\}_{\text{LA}}$

Lie bracket: $[A_1, A_2] = A_1 A_2 - A_2 A_1$

$\mathfrak{g}^1 = \mathfrak{g},$	$\mathfrak{g}^{k+1} = [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}^k] \subset \mathfrak{g}^k$	\mathfrak{g} is nilpotent if $\exists k$ s.t. $\mathfrak{g}^k = 0$
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$\mathfrak{g}^{(1)} = \mathfrak{g},$	$\mathfrak{g}^{(k+1)} = [\mathfrak{g}^{(k)}, \mathfrak{g}^{(k)}] \subset \mathfrak{g}^{(k)}$	\mathfrak{g} is solvable if $\exists k$ s.t. $\mathfrak{g}^{(k)} = 0$

SOLVABLE LIE ALGEBRA \Rightarrow GUES

Lie's Theorem: g is solvable \Rightarrow triangular form

$$A_p = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \cdots & * \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Example:

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -a_1 & b_1 \\ 0 & -c_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -a_2 & b_2 \\ 0 & -c_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -c_\sigma x_2 \Rightarrow x_2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ exponentially fast}$$

$$\dot{x}_1 = -a_\sigma x_1 + \underset{\downarrow 0}{b_\sigma x_2} \Rightarrow x_1 \rightarrow 0 \text{ exp fast}$$

\exists quadratic common Lyap fcn $x^T D x$, D diagonal

MORE GENERAL LIE ALGEBRAS

Levi decomposition:

$$g = r \oplus s$$

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radical (max solvable ideal)

- s is compact \Rightarrow GUES, quadratic common Lyap fcn
- s is not compact \rightarrow not enough info in Lie algebra

NONLINEAR SYSTEMS

- Commuting systems

$$[f_p, f_q] = 0 \Rightarrow \text{GUAS}$$

- Linearization (Lyapunov's indirect method)

$$A_p = \frac{\partial f_p}{\partial x}(0), \quad p \in \mathcal{P}$$

- Nothing is known beyond this

REMARKS on LIE-ALGEBRAIC CRITERIA

- Checkable conditions
- Independent of representation
- In terms of the original data
- Not robust to small perturbations

SYSTEMS with SPECIAL STRUCTURE

- Triangular systems
- Feedback systems
 - passivity conditions
 - small-gain conditions
- 2-D systems



TRIANGULAR SYSTEMS

Recall: for linear systems, triangular \Rightarrow GUAS

For nonlinear systems, not true in general

Example:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1, x_2) & \dot{x}_1 = f_2(x_1, x_2) \\ \dot{x}_2 = g_1(x_2) & \dot{x}_2 = g_2(x_2) \end{array}$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = g_\sigma(x_2) \Rightarrow x_2 \rightarrow 0$$

For stability need to know $x_2 \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow x_1 \rightarrow 0$

Not necessarily true

INPUT-TO-STATE STABILITY (ISS)

Linear systems:

$\dot{x} = Ax$ is AS $\Rightarrow \dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ is ISS:

- u bounded $\Rightarrow x$ bounded
- $u \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow x \rightarrow 0$

Nonlinear systems:

$$\dot{x} = -x + x^2 u$$

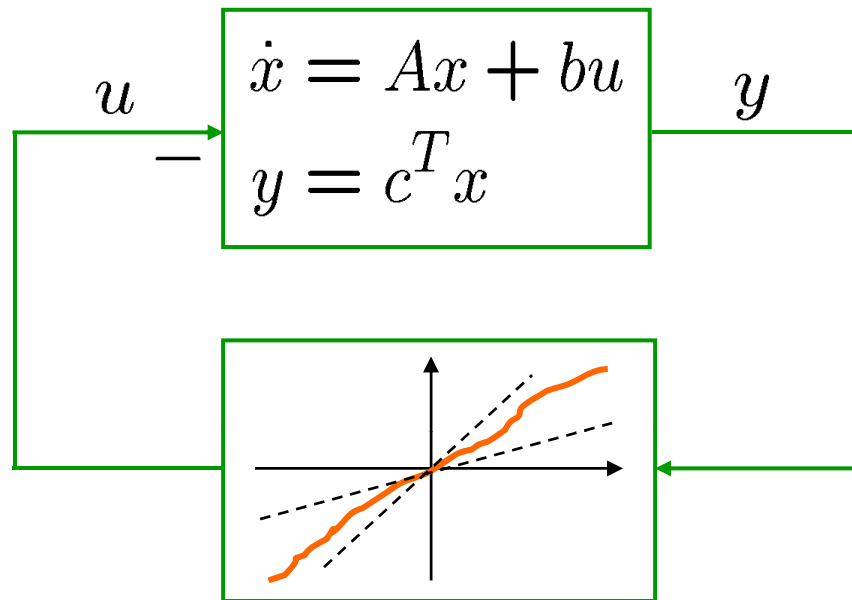
$u = 0 \Rightarrow x \rightarrow 0$ but u bdd $\not\Rightarrow x$ bdd, $u \rightarrow 0 \not\Rightarrow x \rightarrow 0$

$\dot{x} = f(x, u)$ is input-to-state stable (ISS) if

$$|x(t)| \leq \beta(|x(0)|, t) + \gamma(\|u\|_{[0,t]}) \quad \begin{array}{l} \beta \in \mathcal{KL} \\ \gamma \in \mathcal{K} \end{array}$$

For switched systems, triangular + ISS \Rightarrow GUAS

FEEDBACK SYSTEMS: ABSOLUTE STABILITY



A Hurwitz

$$g(s) = c^T (sI - A)^{-1} b$$

$$u = -\varphi_p(y)$$

$$k_1 y^2 \leq y \varphi_p(y) \leq k_2 y^2 \quad \forall p$$

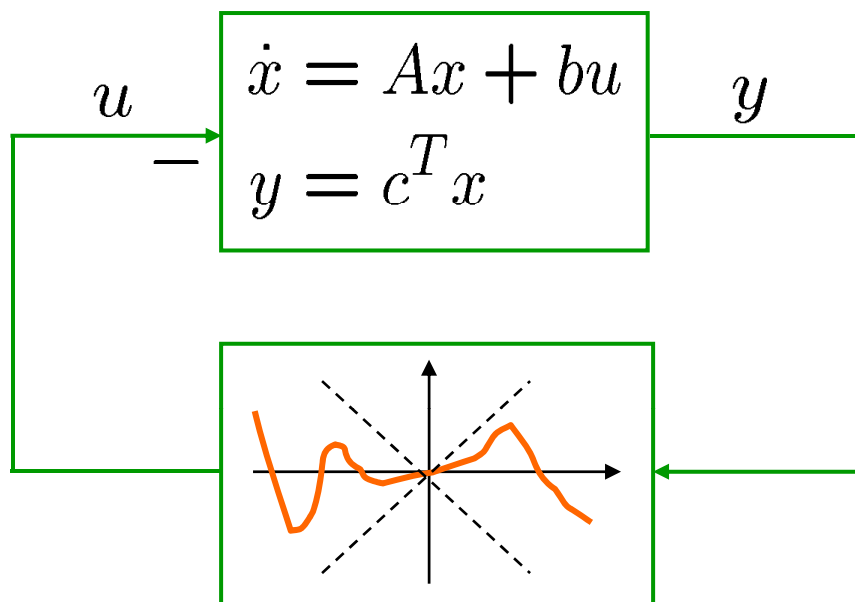
Circle criterion: \exists quadratic common Lyapunov function \Leftrightarrow

$$h(s) = \frac{1+k_2 g(s)}{1+k_1 g(s)} \text{ is strictly positive real (SPR): } \operatorname{Re} h(i\omega) > 0$$

For $k_1 = 0, k_2 = \infty$ this reduces to $g(s)$ SPR (**passivity**)

Popov criterion not suitable: V depends on φ_p

FEEDBACK SYSTEMS: SMALL-GAIN THEOREM



A Hurwitz

$$g(s) = c^T (sI - A)^{-1} b$$

$$u = -\varphi_p(y)$$

$$|\varphi_p(y)| \leq |y| \quad \forall p$$

$$(k_1 = -1, k_2 = 1)$$

Small-gain theorem:

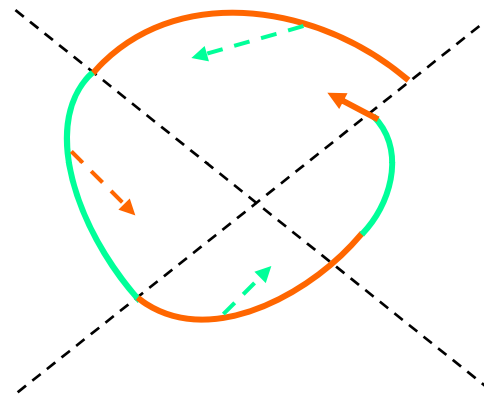
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$$\|g\|_{\infty} = \max_{\omega} |g(i\omega)| < 1$$

TWO-DIMENSIONAL SYSTEMS

Necessary and sufficient conditions for GUES
known since 1970s



worst-case
switching

$$\dot{x} = A_1 x, \quad \dot{x} = A_2 x, \quad x \in \mathcal{R}^2$$

\exists quadratic common Lyap fcn \Leftrightarrow

convex combinations of $A_1, A_2, A_1^{-1}, A_2^{-1}$ Hurwitz

WEAK LYAPUNOV FUNCTION

Barbashin-Krasovskii-LaSalle theorem: $\dot{x} = f(x)$ is GAS

if \exists pos def rad unbdd C^1 function $V: \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ s.t.

- $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x$ (**weak** Lyapunov function)
- \dot{V} is not identically zero along any nonzero solution
(observability with respect to \dot{V})

Example:

$$\dot{x} = Ax, \quad V(x) = x^T P x$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} A^T P + P A \leq -C^T C \\ (A, C) \text{ observable} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{GAS}$$

COMMON WEAK LYAPUNOV FUNCTION

Theorem: $\dot{x} = A_\sigma x$ is GAS if

- $A_p^T P + P A_p \leq -C_p^T C_p \quad \forall p, \quad P > 0$
- (A_p, C_p) observable for each p
- $\exists \tau > 0$ s.t. there are infinitely many switching intervals of length $\geq \tau$

Extends to nonlinear switched systems and nonquadratic common weak Lyapunov functions using a suitable nonlinear observability notion

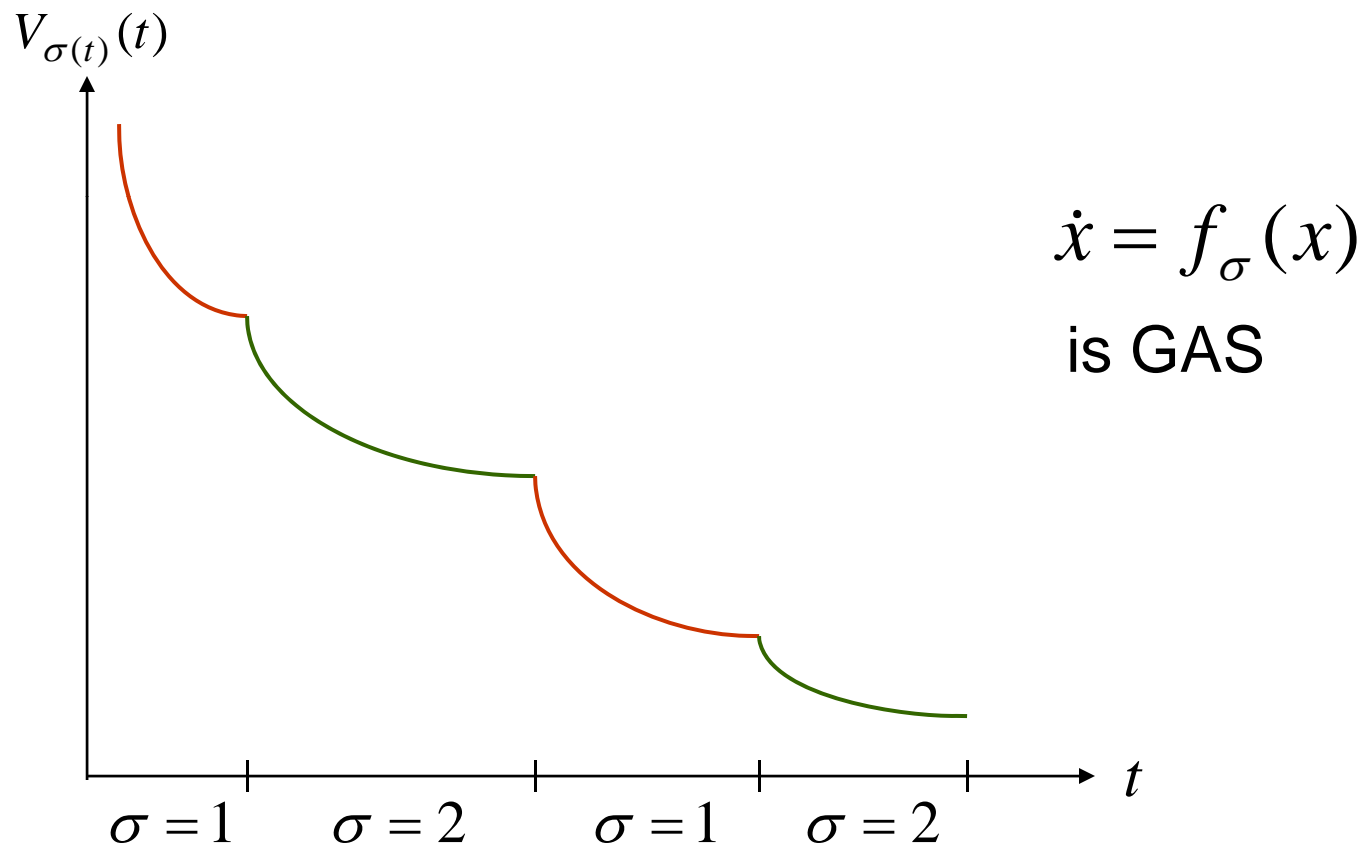
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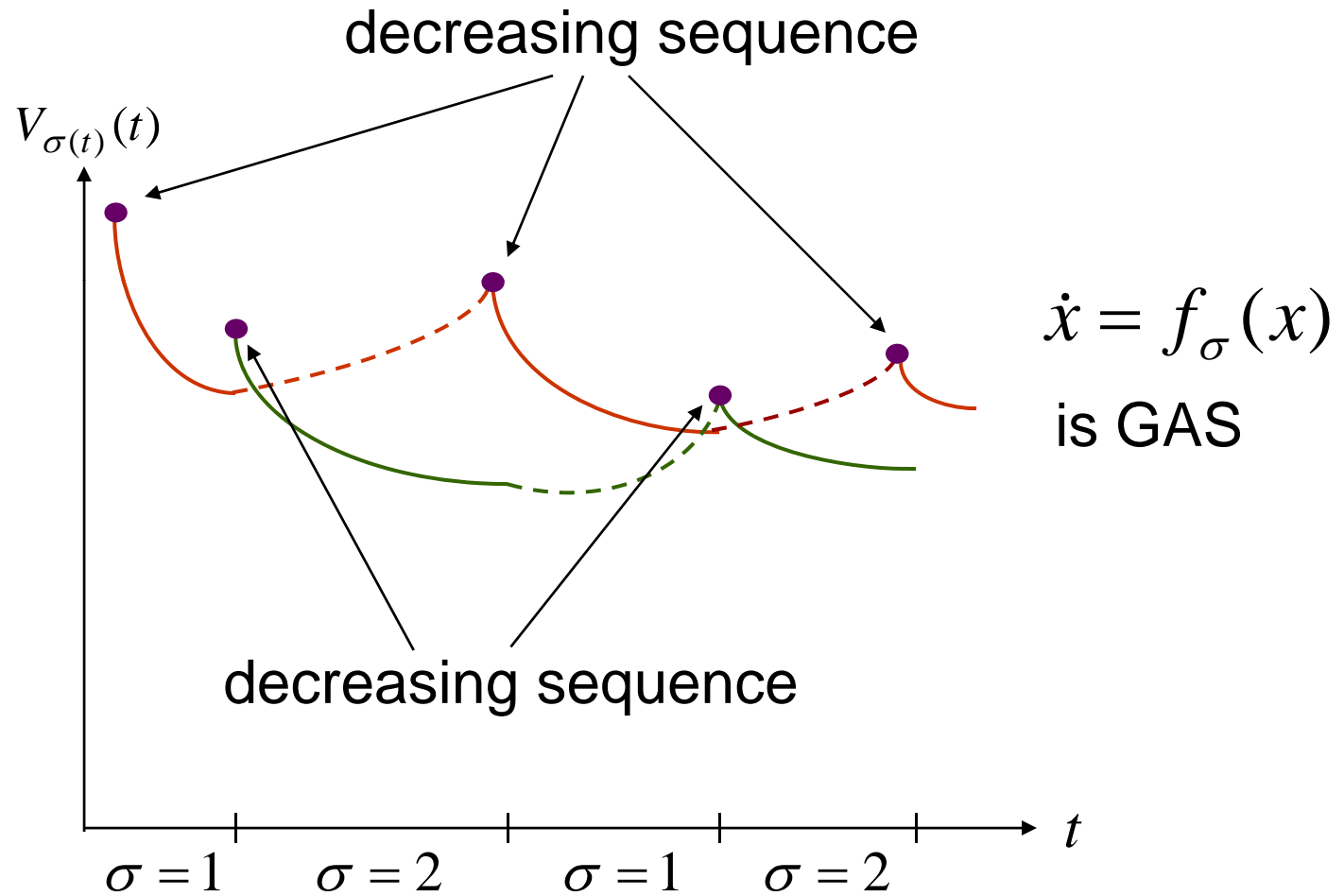
$$\dot{x} = f_1(x), \quad \dot{x} = f_2(x) \quad - \quad \text{GAS}$$

V_1, V_2 – respective Lyapunov functions



Very useful for analysis of state-dependent switching

MULTIPLE LYAPUNOV FUNCTIONS



DWELL TIME

The switching times t_1, t_2, \dots satisfy $t_{i+1} - t_i \geq \tau_D$

$\dot{x} = f_1(x), \dot{x} = f_2(x)$ – GES

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dwell time

DWELL TIME

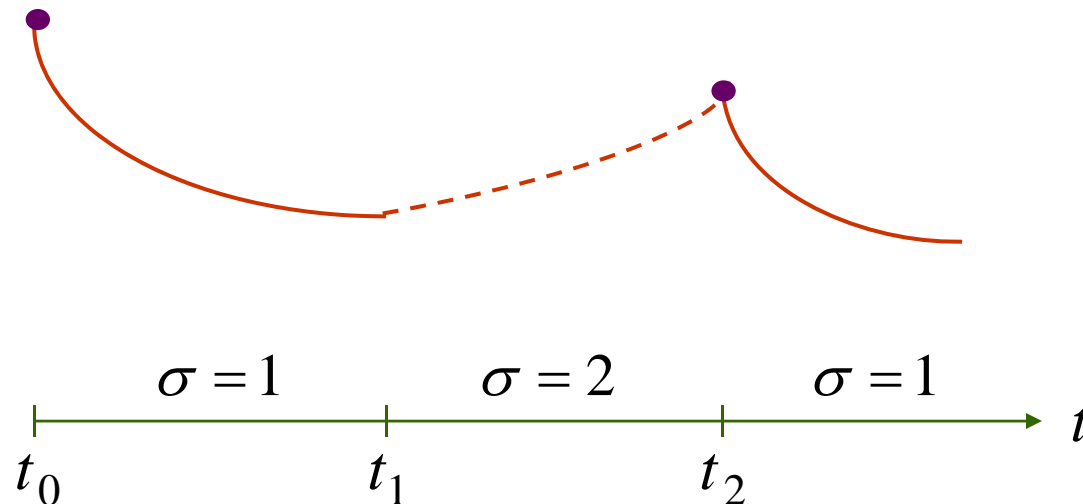
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$$a_1 |x|^2 \leq V_1(x) \leq b_1 |x|^2, \quad \frac{\partial V_1}{\partial x} f_1(x) \leq -\lambda_1 V_1(x)$$

$$a_2 |x|^2 \leq V_2(x) \leq b_2 |x|^2, \quad \frac{\partial V_2}{\partial x} f_2(x) \leq -\lambda_2 V_2(x)$$

Need: $V_1(t_2) < V_1(t_0)$



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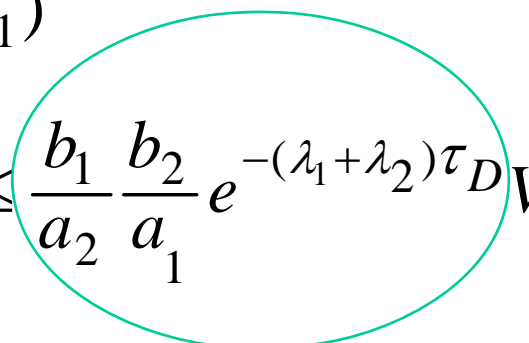
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$$\begin{aligned} V_1(t_2) &\leq \frac{b_1}{a_2} V_2(t_2) \leq \frac{b_1}{a_2} e^{-\lambda_2 \tau_D} V_2(t_1) \\ &\leq \frac{b_1}{a_2} \frac{b_2}{a_1} e^{-\lambda_2 \tau_D} V_1(t_1) \leq \frac{b_1}{a_2} \frac{b_2}{a_1} e^{-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \tau_D} V_1(t_0) \end{aligned}$$

must be < 1



AVERAGE DWELL TIME

$$N_{\sigma}(T, t) \leq N_0 + \frac{T - t}{\tau_{AD}}$$

↖
of switches on (t, T)

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average dwell time

$N_0 = 0$ – no switching: cannot switch if $T - t < \tau_{AD}$

$N_0 = 1$ – dwell time: cannot switch twice if $T - t < \tau_{AD}$

$\dot{x} = f_{\sigma}(x)$

AVERAGE DWELL TIME

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of switches on (t, T) average dwell time

$$\dot{x} = f_{\sigma}(x)$$

$$\alpha_1(|x|) \leq V_p(x) \leq \alpha_2(|x|)$$

$$\frac{\partial V_p}{\partial x} f_p(x) \leq -\lambda V_p(x)$$

$$V_p(x) \leq \mu V_q(x), \quad p, q \in P$$

$$\dot{x} = f_{\sigma}(x)$$

is GAS

if $\tau_{AD} > \frac{\log \mu}{\lambda}$

SWITCHED LINEAR SYSTEMS

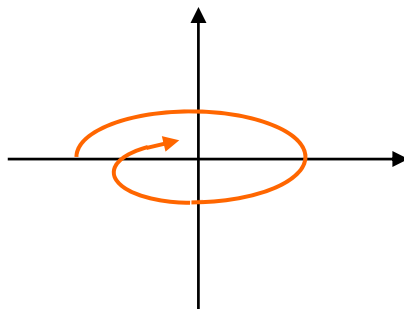
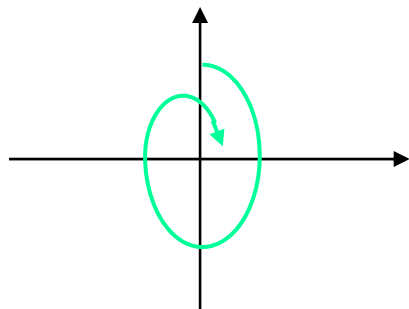
$$\dot{x} = A_{\sigma}x$$

- GUES over all σ with large enough τ_{AD}
- Finite induced norms for

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= A_{\sigma}x + B_{\sigma}u \\ y &= C_{\sigma}x\end{aligned}$$

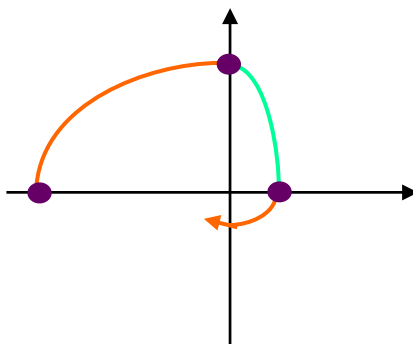
- The case when some subsystems are unstable

STATE-DEPENDENT SWITCHING



Switched system
unstable for some σ
 \Rightarrow no common V

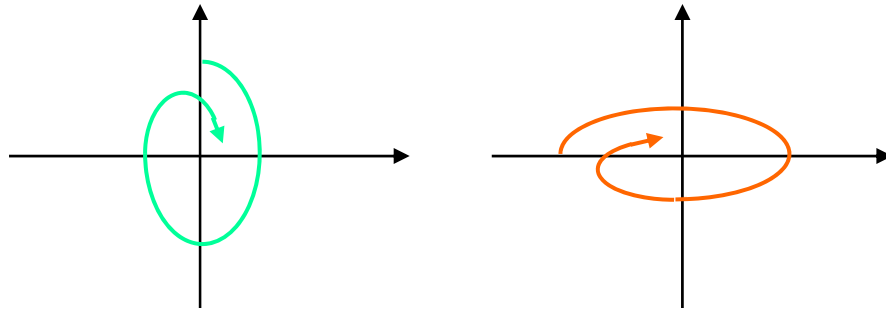
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switch on the axes

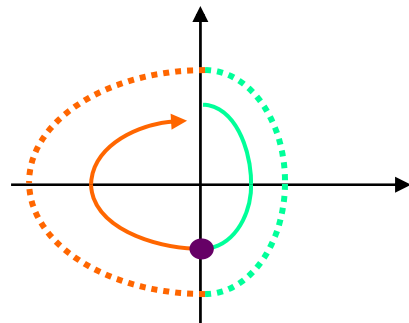
$V(x) = x^T x$ is a Lyapunov function

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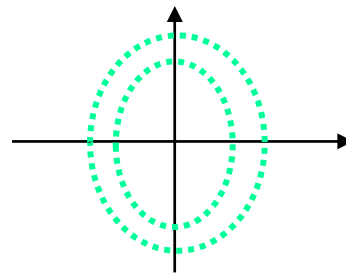


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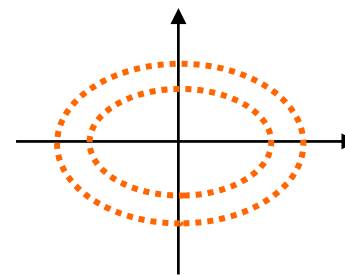
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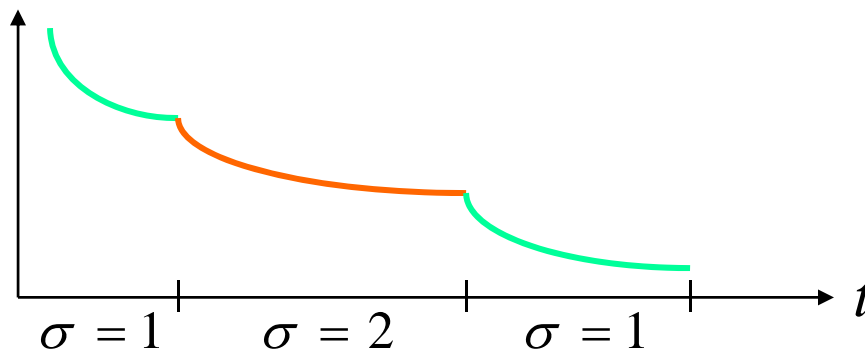
Switch on y -axis



level sets of V_1



level sets of V_2

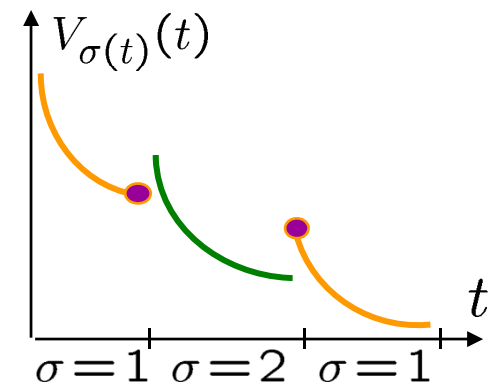


\Rightarrow GAS

MULTIPLE WEAK LYAPUNOV FUNCTIONS

Theorem: $\dot{x} = A_\sigma x$ is GAS if

- $A_p^T P_p + P_p A_p \leq -C_p^T C_p \quad \forall p, \quad P_p > 0$
(each $V_p(x) = x^T P_p x$ is a weak Lyapunov function)
- (A_p, C_p) observable for each p
- $\exists \tau > 0$ s.t. there are infinitely many switching intervals of length $\geq \tau$
- For every pair of switching times $t_i < t_j$ s.t. $\sigma(t_i) = \sigma(t_j) = p$ have $V_p(x(t_j)) \leq V_p(x(t_{i+1}))$



STABILIZATION by SWITCHING

$\dot{x} = A_1x, \dot{x} = A_2x$ – both unstable

Assume: $A = \alpha A_1 + (1 - \alpha)A_2$ stable for some $\alpha \in (0,1)$

$$A^T P + PA < 0$$

STABILIZATION by SWITCHING

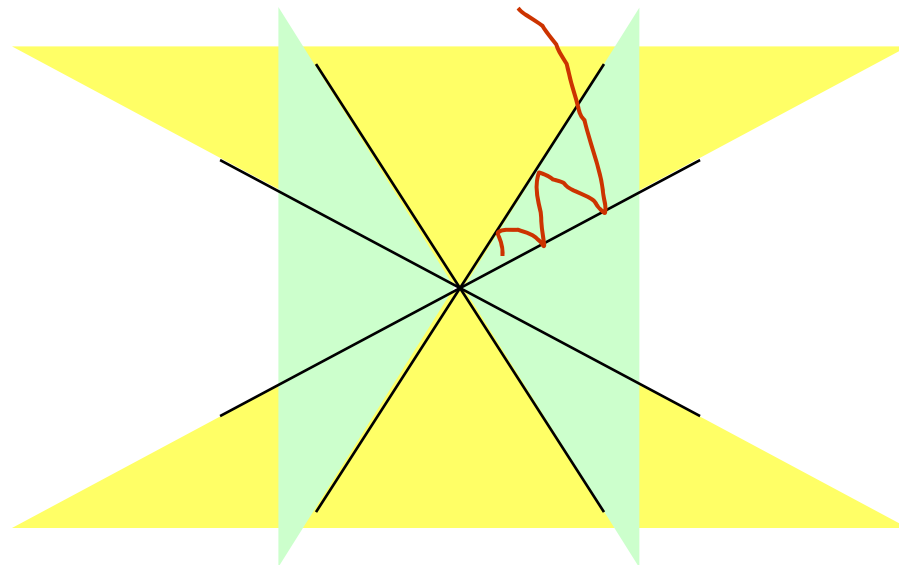
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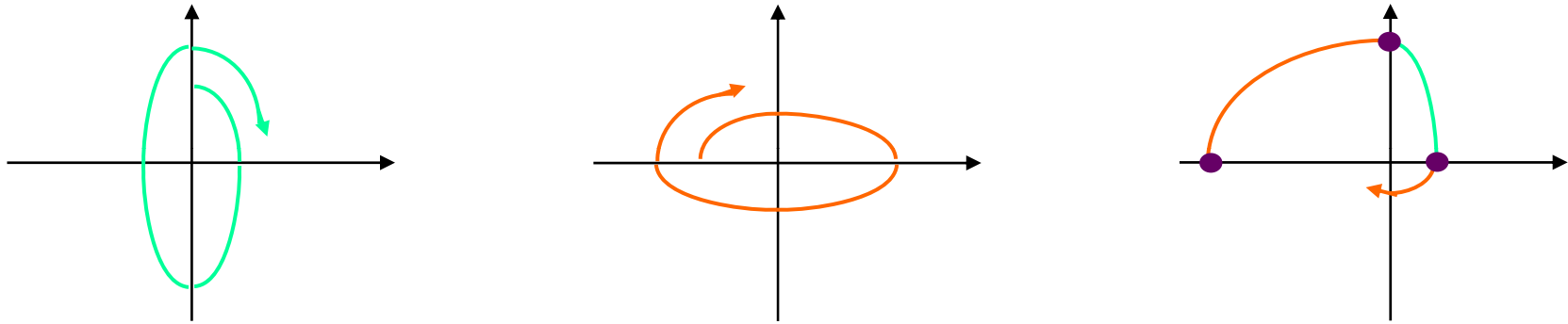
$$\alpha(A_1^T P + P A_1) + (1 - \alpha)(A_2^T P + P A_2) < 0$$

So for each $x \neq 0$:

either $x^T (A_1^T P + P A_1) x < 0$ or $x^T (A_2^T P + P A_2) x < 0$



UNSTABLE CONVEX COMBINATIONS



Can also use multiple Lyapunov functions

LMIs

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