# STABILITY of SWITCHED SYSTEMS under ARBITRARY SWITCHING

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# SYSTEMS with SPECIAL STRUCTURE

Triangular systems

- Feedback systems
  - passivity conditions
  - small-gain conditions

2-D systems

## TRIANGULAR SYSTEMS

For linear systems, triangular form  $\Rightarrow$  GUES

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

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

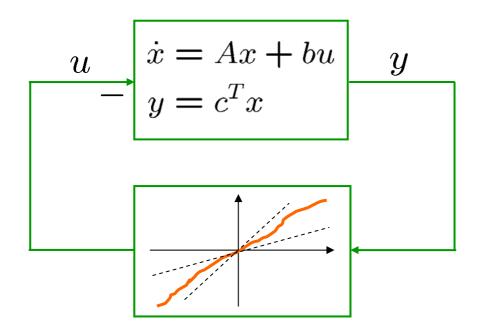
$$\dot{x}_1 = -a_\sigma x_1 + b_\sigma x_2 \Rightarrow x_1 \to 0 \text{ exp fast}$$

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

For nonlinear systems, not true in general

Need to know 
$$x_2 \to 0 \Rightarrow x_1 \to 0$$
 (ISS) [Angeli & L '00]

## FEEDBACK SYSTEMS: ABSOLUTE STABILITY



(A,b) controllable

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

$$u = -\varphi_p(y)$$
$$k_1 y^2 \le y \varphi_p(y) \le k_2 y^2 \ \forall p$$

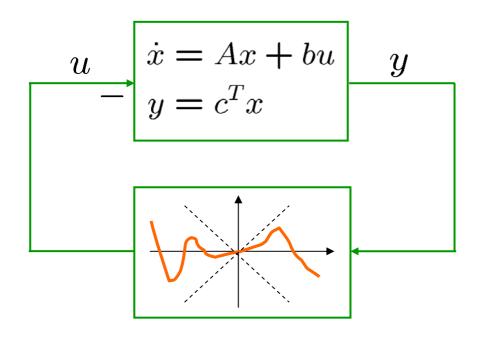
Circle criterion: ∃ quadratic common Lyapunov function ⇔

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

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

Popov criterion not suitable: V depends on  $\varphi_p$ 

## FEEDBACK SYSTEMS: SMALL-GAIN THEOREM



(A,b) controllable

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

$$u = -\varphi_p(y)$$
$$|\varphi_p(y)| \le |y| \ \forall p$$
$$(k_1 = -1, k_2 = 1)$$

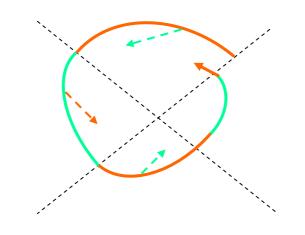
# Small-gain theorem:

∃ quadratic common Lyapunov function

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

#### TWO-DIMENSIONAL SYSTEMS

Necessary and sufficient conditions for GUES known since 1970s



worst-case switching

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

∃ quadratic common Lyap fcn <=>

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

## OBSERVABILITY and ASYMPTOTIC STABILITY

#### Barbashin-Krasovskii-LaSalle theorem:

 $\dot{x} = f(x)$  is glob. asymp. stable (GAS) if  $\exists V$  s.t.

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

# Example:

$$\dot{x} = Ax, \quad V(x) = x^T P x$$
 
$$A^T P + P A \le -C^T C \} => \mathsf{GAS}$$
  $(A,C)$  observable

## SWITCHED LINEAR SYSTEMS

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

Theorem (common weak Lyapunov function):

Switched linear system is GAS if

• 
$$\exists P > 0$$
 s.t.  $A_p^T P + P A_p \leq -C_p^T C_p \ \forall p$ 

- $(A_p, C_p)$  observable for each p
- $\exists$  infinitely many switching intervals of length  $\geq \tau$

Want to handle nonlinear switched systems and nonquadratic weak Lyapunov functions

Need a suitable nonlinear observability notion

## **OBSERVABILITY: MOTIVATING REMARKS**

Several ways to define observability (equivalent for linear systems)

#### Benchmarks:

- observer design or state norm estimation
- detectability vs. observability
- LaSalle's stability theorem for switched systems

Joint work with Hespanha, Sontag, and Angeli

No inputs here, but can extend to systems with inputs

#### STATE NORM ESTIMATION

$$\dot{x} = Ax, \quad y = Cx$$

$$x(0) = W^{-1} \int_0^\tau e^{A^T t} C^T y(t) dt$$
 where

$$W = \int_0^\tau e^{A^T t} C^T C e^{At} dt \qquad \text{(observability Gramian)}$$

$$\dot{x} = f(x), \quad y = h(x)$$

## Observability definition #1:

$$|x(0)| \le \gamma \left( ||y||_{[0,\tau]} \right)$$
 where  $\gamma \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty}$ 

This is a robustified version of 0-distinguishability

#### OBSERVABILITY DEFINITION #1: A CLOSER LOOK

# Small-time observability:

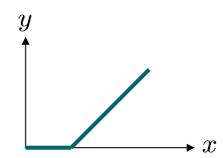


$$\forall \tau > 0 \ \exists \gamma \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty} : |x(0)| \le \gamma \left( ||y||_{[0,\tau]} \right)$$

# Large-time observability:

$$\exists \tau > 0, \ \gamma \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty} : |x(0)| \leq \gamma \left( \|y\|_{[0,\tau]} \right)$$

Counterexample:  $\dot{x} = 1$ 



# Initial-state observability:



$$\forall \tau > 0 \ \exists \gamma \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty} : |x(0)| \le \gamma \left( \|y\|_{[0,\tau]} \right)$$

# Final-state observability:

$$\forall \tau > 0 \ \exists \gamma \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty} : \ |x(\tau)| \leq \gamma (\|y\|_{[0,\tau]})$$

#### DETECTABILITY vs. OBSERVABILITY

$$\dot{x} = Ax, \quad y = Cx$$

Detectability  $\Leftrightarrow \exists L: A-LC$  is Hurwitz

$$\dot{x} = (A - LC)x + Ly, |x(t)| \le ce^{-\lambda t}|x(0)| + d||y||_{[0,t]}$$

Observability  $\Leftrightarrow A - LC$  can have arbitrary eigenvalues

$$\dot{x} = f(x), \quad y = h(x)$$

A natural detectability notion is output-to-state stability (OSS):

$$|x(t)| \le \beta(|x(0)|, t) + \gamma(||y||_{[0,t]})$$

where  $\beta \in \mathcal{KL}, \gamma \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty}$  [Sontag-Wang]

Observability def'n #2: OSS, and  $\beta$  can decay arbitrarily fast

#### OBSERVABILITY DEFINITION #2: A CLOSER LOOK

Definition:  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \ \nu \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty} \quad \exists \beta \in \mathcal{KL}, \ \gamma \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty}$ :

$$|x(t)| \le \beta(|x(0)|, t) + \gamma(||y||_{[0,t]}) \quad \forall t \ge 0$$

and

$$\beta(r,\varepsilon) \le \nu(r) \quad \forall r \ge 0$$

Theorem: This is equivalent to definition #1 (small-time obs.)

OSS admits equivalent Lyapunov characterization:

$$|x| \ge \rho(|y|) \implies \dot{V} \le -\alpha(|x|), \quad \alpha, \rho \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty}$$

For observability,  $\alpha$  should have arbitrarily rapid growth

## STABILITY of SWITCHED SYSTEMS

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

Theorem (common weak Lyapunov function):

Switched system is GAS if

• 
$$\exists V \text{ s.t. } \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f_p(x) \leq -W_p(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x, \ \forall p$$

- $\exists$  infinitely many switching intervals of length  $\geq \tau$
- Each system

$$\dot{x} = f_p(x), \quad y = W_p(x)$$

is observable:

$$\exists \gamma \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty} : |x(0)| \leq \gamma \left( ||y||_{[0,\tau]} \right)$$