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Lecture 12

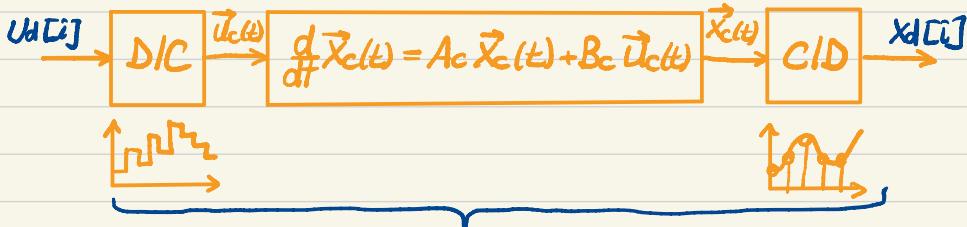
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LECTURE 12:

- System identification
- Stability

Last lecture:



$$\vec{x}_d[i+1] = A_d \vec{x}_d[i] + B_d \vec{u}_d[i]$$

\vec{x} : vector of state variables (Vc, IL in RLC circuit; position, velocity in mechanical systems; concentrations of reactants in a chemical reaction system; flows and pressures in an engine model; etc.)

\vec{u} : control input (voltage and current sources in a circuit; forces and torques applied to a mechanical system; etc.)

Today: discrete-time only – drop subscript "d":

$$\vec{x}[i+1] = A \vec{x}[i] + B \vec{u}[i]$$

System Identification (using Least Squares) $D\vec{p} + \vec{e} = \vec{s}$

$\|\vec{e}\|$ is minimized by $\hat{p} = (D^T D)^{-1} D^T \vec{s}$ if $D^T D$ invertible

Scalar case:

$$x[i+1] = a x[i] + b u[i] + e[i]$$

\downarrow error, disturbance

$$\begin{cases} x[1] = a x[0] + b u[0] + e[0] \\ x[2] = a x[1] + b u[1] + e[1] \end{cases}$$

$$x[l] = \lambda x[l-1] + b u[l-1] + e[l-1]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x[0] & u[0] \\ x[1] & u[1] \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x[l-1] & u[l-1] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \\ b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} e[0] \\ e[1] \\ \vdots \\ e[l-1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x[0] \\ x[1] \\ \vdots \\ x[l] \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{D}$ $\underbrace{\quad}_{\vec{p}}$ $\underbrace{\quad}_{\vec{e}}$ $\underbrace{\quad}_{\vec{s}}$

if $D^T D$ invertible, LS solution: $\hat{p} = (D^T D)^{-1} D^T s$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda \\ b \end{bmatrix} = (D^T D)^{-1} D^T \begin{bmatrix} x[0] \\ \vdots \\ x[l] \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector case: $\vec{x}[i+1] = A \vec{x}[i] + B \vec{u}[i] + \vec{e}[i]$

$\vec{e} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 $\vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m$
 $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$
 $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{x}[0] = A \vec{x}[0] + B \vec{u}[0] + \vec{e}[0] \\ \vdots \\ \vec{x}[l] = A \vec{x}[l-1] + B \vec{u}[l-1] + \vec{e}[l-1] \end{array} \right.$$

transpose

$$\vec{x}[0]^T A^T + \vec{u}[0]^T B^T + \vec{e}[0]^T = \vec{x}[0]^T$$

$$\vec{x}[l]^T A^T + \vec{u}[l]^T B^T + \vec{e}[l]^T = \vec{x}[l]^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{x}[0]^T & \vec{u}[0]^T \\ \vec{x}[1]^T & \vec{u}[1]^T \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \vec{x}[l-1]^T & \vec{u}[l-1]^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A^T \\ B^T \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \vec{e}[0]^T \\ \vec{e}[1]^T \\ \vdots \\ \vec{e}[l-1]^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{x}[0]^T \\ \vec{x}[1]^T \\ \vdots \\ \vec{x}[l]^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{=: D} \quad \underbrace{(n+m) \times n}_{\text{"defined as"}}$

$\begin{bmatrix} e_1[0] & \dots & e_n[0] \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ e_1[l-1] & \dots & e_n[l-1] \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} x_1[1] & \dots & x_n[1] \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_1[l] & \dots & x_n[l] \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{A}^T \\ \vec{B}^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{p}_1 & \dots & \vec{p}_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \vec{e}_1 & \dots & \vec{e}_n \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{columns of } \begin{bmatrix} \vec{A}^T \\ \vec{B}^T \end{bmatrix}} \quad \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \vec{x}_1 & \dots & \vec{x}_n \end{bmatrix}}$$

$$D[\vec{p}_1 \dots \vec{p}_n] + [\vec{e}_1 \dots \vec{e}_n] = [\vec{x}_1 \dots \vec{x}_n]$$

$$\text{where } \vec{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} e_1[0] \\ e_1[1] \\ \vdots \\ e_1[L-1] \end{bmatrix} \dots \vec{e}_n = \begin{bmatrix} e_n[0] \\ e_n[1] \\ \vdots \\ e_n[L-1] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1[0] \\ x_1[1] \\ \vdots \\ x_1[L] \end{bmatrix} \dots \vec{x}_n = \begin{bmatrix} x_n[0] \\ x_n[1] \\ \vdots \\ x_n[L] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[D\vec{p}_1 \dots D\vec{p}_n] + [\vec{e}_1 \dots \vec{e}_n] = [\vec{x}_1 \dots \vec{x}_n]$$

$$D\vec{p}_i + \vec{e}_i = \vec{x}_i \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

If $D^T D$ is invertible, LS sol'n is

$$\hat{p}_1 = (D^T D)^{-1} D^T \vec{x}_1$$

$$\hat{p}_n = (D^T D)^{-1} D^T \vec{x}_n$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{A}^T \\ \vec{B}^T \end{bmatrix} = [\hat{p}_1 \dots \hat{p}_n] = (D^T D)^{-1} D^T [\vec{x}_1 \dots \vec{x}_n]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \vec{x}[0]^T \\ \vec{x}[1]^T \\ \vdots \\ \vec{x}[L]^T \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{by def'n of } \vec{x}_1 \dots \vec{x}_n \text{ at the top of the page}$$

Summary:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{A}^T \\ \vec{B}^T \end{bmatrix} = (D^T D)^{-1} D^T \begin{bmatrix} \vec{x}[0]^T \\ \vec{x}[1]^T \\ \vdots \\ \vec{x}[L]^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Choose time window $[0 \dots L]$, apply input sequence

$\vec{u}[0] \dots \vec{u}[L-1]$, observe resulting states $\vec{x}[0], \vec{x}[1] \dots \vec{x}[L]$.
 Form $D = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{x}[0]^T & \vec{u}[0]^T \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$ and use formula above for \hat{A}, \hat{B} .

Stability:

Go back to scalar model, remove control input u :

$$x[i+1] = \lambda x[i] + e[i]$$

Does the sequence $x[0], x[1], \dots$ remain bounded?

Take $\lambda=2$ and ignore disturbance e :

$$x[i+1] = 2x[i]$$

$$x[1] = 2x[0], \quad x[2] = 2x[1] = 4x[0], \quad x[3] = 2x[2] = 8x[0]$$

$$x[L] = 2^L x[0]$$

blows up unless $x[0]=0$. Even with $x[0]=10^{-9}$

$$\ell=40 : \quad x[40] = \underbrace{2^{40} \cdot 10^{-9}}_{\approx 10^{12}} \approx 1000$$

Take $\lambda=\frac{1}{2}$:

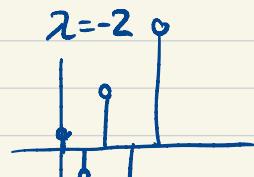
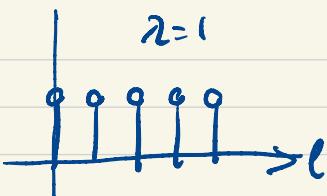
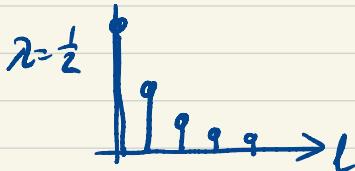
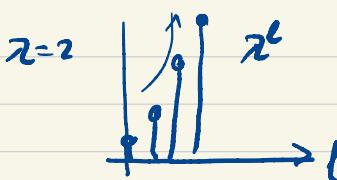
$$x[\ell] = \frac{1}{2^\ell} x[0]$$

bounded and $x[\ell] \rightarrow 0$ as $\ell \rightarrow \infty$

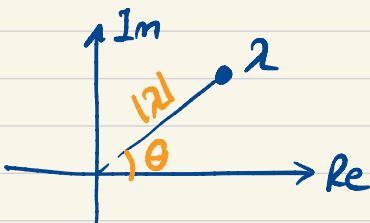
For general λ , solution of

$$x[i+1] = \lambda x[i]$$

is $x[l] = \lambda^l x[0]$. Bounded if $|\lambda| \leq 1$.



What about complex λ ? When does λ^l remain bounded?

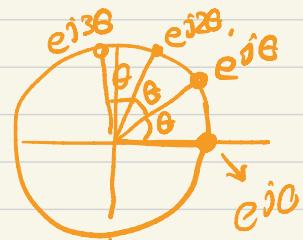


$$\lambda = |\lambda| e^{j\theta}$$

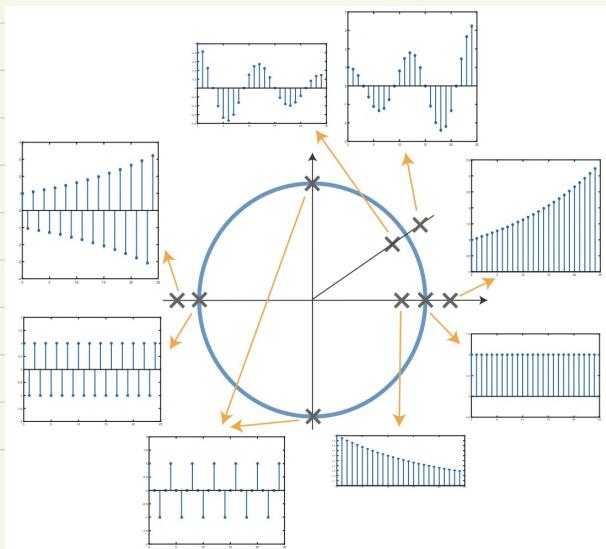
$$\lambda^l = |\lambda|^l e^{j\theta l}$$

$$|e^{j\theta l}| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |\lambda^l| = |\lambda|^l$$



Therefore, $|\lambda| \leq 1$ required for boundedness of λ^l .



λ^l , $l=0,1,2,3,\dots$
for various choices
of λ in the complex
plane, each marked
with a cross. Only
the real part of
 λ^l is shown when
 λ is complex.

$|\lambda| < 1$: x^t bounded and $\rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

$|\lambda| > 1$: x^t unbounded as $t \rightarrow \infty$

$|\lambda| = 1$: really safe?

Not safe when we factor in disturbance.

$$x[i+1] = \lambda x[i] + e[i]$$

Take $\lambda = 1$: $x[i+1] = x[i] + e[i]$

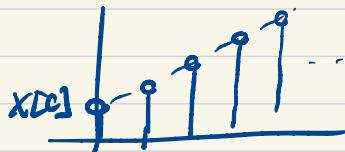
$$x[1] = x[0] + e[0]$$

$$\begin{aligned} x[2] &= x[1] + e[1] \\ &= x[0] + e[0] + e[1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x[3] &= x[2] + e[2] \\ &= x[0] + e[0] + e[1] + e[2] \end{aligned}$$

$$x[t] = x[0] + e[0] + e[1] + \dots + e[t-1]$$

Even a small, constant will make $x[t]$ grow unbounded



Definition : We say that a system is (bounded-input, bounded state) stable if state x is bounded for any initial condition and any bounded disturbance. Unstable otherwise : i.e. unstable if x grows unbounded for some initial condition and some bounded input.

When is the system

$$x[i+1] = 2x[i] + e[i]$$

stable according to def'n above?

$|2| > 1$: unstable (zero input and nonzero initial already lead to unbounded x : $2^t x[0] \rightarrow \infty$)

$|2|=1$: unstable (see example above with $\tau=1$)

$|2| < 1$: stable (will show next time)