

ECE 68000: MODERN AUTOMATIC CONTROL

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Fuzzy Modeling

Combining mathematical description of the plant with its linguistic description

- In many situations there may be human experts who can provide a linguistic description in terms of IF-THEN rules of the plant dynamical behavior
- Combining available mathematical description of the plant with its linguistic description results in a fuzzy system model
- Can construct a fuzzy model if local description of the plant is available in terms of local models,

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{u}(t), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, r,$$

where the state vector $\mathbf{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the control input $\mathbf{u}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$

Combine local models with IF-THEN rules

- The i -th rule can have the form:

Rule i : IF $x_1(t)$ is F_1^i AND \dots AND $x_n(t)$ is F_n^i ,

THEN $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{u}(t)$,

where $F_j^i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, is the j -th fuzzy set of the i -th rule

- Let $\mu_j^i(x_j)$ be the membership function of the fuzzy set F_j^i
- Let

$$w^i = w^i(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{j=1}^n \mu_j^i(x_j)$$

- The resulting fuzzy system model is the weighted average of the local models

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^r w^i (\mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{u})}{\sum_{i=1}^r w^i}$$

Fuzzy model

- Fuzzy system model

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^r w^i (\mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{u})}{\sum_{i=1}^r w^i} \\&= \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i (\mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{u}) \\&= \left(\sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \mathbf{A}_i \right) \mathbf{x} + \left(\sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \mathbf{B}_i \right) \mathbf{u} \\&= \mathbf{A}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) \mathbf{u},\end{aligned}$$

where for $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$,

$$\alpha_i = \frac{w^i}{\sum_{i=1}^r w^i}$$

Fuzzy model also known as polytopic model

- Note that, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$,

$$\alpha_i \geq 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i = 1$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \cdots & \alpha_r \end{bmatrix}^T \in [0, 1]^r$$

- For the reason above, fuzzy model is also referred to as in the literature as the *polytopic model*
- Fuzzy models are also called the Takagi-Sugeno (T-S) fuzzy models or Takagi-Sugeno-Kang (TSK) fuzzy models

Stabilizing fuzzy models

- Stabilization problem of a nonlinear plant: construct a controller so that starting from an arbitrary point, in some neighborhood of the operating point, the controller forces the closed-loop system trajectory to converge to this operating point
- If the starting point coincides with the operating point, the closed-loop system trajectory is expected to stay at this point for all subsequent time
- Asymptotic stability of continuous-time fuzzy model

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x},$$

where $\alpha_i = \alpha_i(\mathbf{x}(t)) \geq 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$, and $\sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i = 1$

Stability of $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x}$

- A sufficient condition for asymptotic stability in the large of the equilibrium state $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ of system $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x}$ is that there exists a symmetric positive definite matrix \mathbf{P} such that for $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$,

$$\mathbf{A}_i^\top \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A}_i \prec 0$$

- It is obvious that a necessary condition for the existence of a common symmetric positive definite \mathbf{P} is that each \mathbf{A}_i be asymptotically stable, that is, the eigenvalues of each \mathbf{A}_i be in the open left-hand complex plane

Necessary condition for the existence of a common \mathbf{P}

Theorem

Suppose that each \mathbf{A}_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$, is asymptotically stable and there exists a symmetric positive definite \mathbf{P} . Then, the matrices

$$\sum_{k=1}^s \mathbf{A}_{i_k},$$

where $i_k \in \{1, 2, \dots, r\}$ and $s = 1, 2, 3, \dots, r$ are asymptotically stable

Proof of theorem

- Let

$$\mathbf{A}_{i_k}^\top \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A}_{i_k} = -\mathbf{Q}_{i_k},$$

where $\mathbf{Q}_{i_k} = \mathbf{Q}_{i_k}^\top \succ 0$ for $i_k \in \{1, 2, \dots, r\}$

- Summing both sides yields

$$\left(\sum_{k=1}^s \mathbf{A}_{i_k}^\top \right) \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P} \left(\sum_{k=1}^s \mathbf{A}_{i_k} \right) = - \sum_{k=1}^s \mathbf{Q}_{i_k}.$$

- By assumption $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^\top \succ 0$, and because $\mathbf{Q}_{i_k} = \mathbf{Q}_{i_k}^\top \succ 0$ for $i_k \in \{1, 2, \dots, r\}$, the symmetric matrices

$$\sum_{k=1}^s \mathbf{Q}_{i_k}, \quad s = 2, 3, \dots, r,$$

are also positive definite

- By the Lyapunov theorem, the matrices $\sum_{k=1}^s \mathbf{A}_{i_k}$, $s = 2, 3, \dots, r$, are asymptotically stable



Some corollaries

Corollary

Suppose that each \mathbf{A}_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$ is asymptotically stable and there exists common symmetric positive definite \mathbf{P} . Then, the matrices

$$\mathbf{A}_i + \mathbf{A}_j, \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, r,$$

are asymptotically stable

Equivalently

Corollary

If there exist i and j such that a matrix $\mathbf{A}_i + \mathbf{A}_j$ is not asymptotically stable, then there is no positive definite matrix \mathbf{P} such that $\mathbf{A}_i^\top \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A}_i \prec 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$

Example

- Let

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Obviously each \mathbf{A}_i , $i = 1, 2$, is asymptotically stable
- However, there is no common positive definite \mathbf{P} such that $\mathbf{A}_i^\top \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A}_i \prec 0$ for $i = 1, 2$ because the matrix

$$\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 4 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

is unstable since its eigenvalues are

$$\{1.1231, -7.1231\}$$