

ECE 68000: MODERN AUTOMATIC CONTROL

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Stability of the Observation Error Dynamics

'Practical Stability'

System:

$$\dot{e}(t) = \phi(t, e(t), w(t))$$

Performance output:

$$z(t) = \psi(t, e(t))$$

Definition (\mathcal{L}_∞ stability with performance γ)

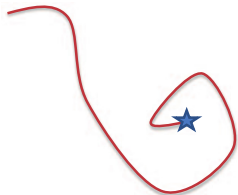
- Global uniform exponential stability ($w \equiv 0$)
- Global uniform boundedness of the error state ($w \neq 0$)
- Output response for zero initial error state

$$e(t_0) = 0 \implies \|z(t)\| \leq \gamma \|w(\cdot)\|_\infty, \quad \forall t \geq t_0$$

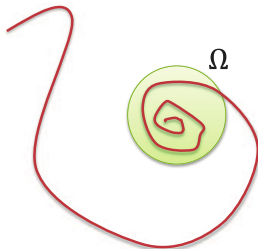
- Global ultimate output response

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|z(t)\| \leq \gamma \|w(\cdot)\|_\infty$$

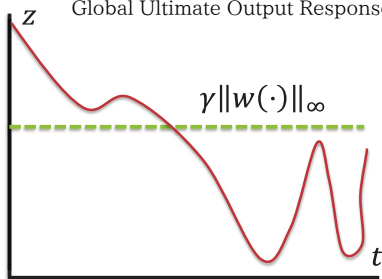
Global Uniform Exponential Stability X



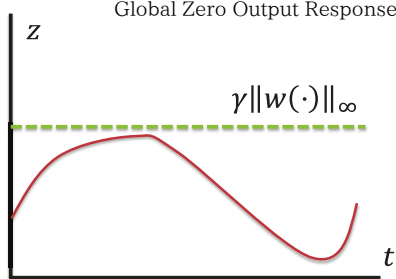
Global Uniform Boundedness of Error X



Global Ultimate Output Response



Global Zero Output Response



Sufficient Conditions for \mathcal{L}_∞ -stability with p.l. γ

$$\dot{e} = \phi(t, e, w), \quad z = \psi(t, e), \quad e \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Theorem

There exists a differentiable function $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and scalars $\alpha, \beta_1, \beta_2 > 0$ and $\mu > 0$ such that for all $t \geq t_0$

$$\begin{aligned}\beta_1 \|e\|^2 &\leq V(e) \leq \beta_2 \|e\|^2 \\ \mathcal{D}V(e) \dot{e} &\leq -2\alpha (V(e) - \|w\|^2) \\ \|z\|^2 &\leq \mu V(e)\end{aligned}$$

$\implies \mathcal{L}_\infty$ -stability of general system with performance level $\gamma = \sqrt{\mu}$

l_∞ -stability with performance level (p.l.) γ

- Recall the observation error dynamics of the closed-loop UIO

$$\mathbf{e}[k+1] = (\mathbf{A}_1 - \mathbf{LC})\mathbf{e}[k] - \mathbf{LD}\mathbf{v}[k]$$

Notation

- For any vector $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, denote $\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{v}}$
- For a sequence of vectors $\mathbf{v}_{k=k_0}^\infty$, denote $\|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty \triangleq \sup_{k \geq k_0} \|\mathbf{v}_k\|$
- We say that a sequence $\{\mathbf{v}[k]\} \in l_\infty$ if $\|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty < \infty$

B. Alenezi, M. Zhang, S. Hui, and S. H. Žak, Simultaneous Estimation of the State, Unknown Input, and Output Disturbance in Discrete-Time Linear Systems, *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*, Vol. 66, No. 12, December 2021, pp. 6115–6122

l_∞ -stability definition

The system $\mathbf{e}[k+1] = \mathbf{f}(k, \mathbf{e}[k], \mathbf{v}[k])$ is globally uniformly l_∞ -stable with performance level γ if

- ❶ $\mathbf{e}[k+1] = \mathbf{f}(k, \mathbf{e}[k], \mathbf{0})$ globally uniformly exponentially stable with respect to the origin
- ❷ for $\mathbf{e}[k_0] = \mathbf{0}$, and every bounded unknown input $\mathbf{v}[k]$,
 $\|\mathbf{e}[k]\| \leq \gamma \|\mathbf{v}[k]\|_\infty \quad \forall k \geq k_0$
- ❸ for any $\mathbf{e}[k_0] = \mathbf{e}_0$ and $\mathbf{v}[\cdot]$,

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{e}[k]\| \leq \gamma \|\mathbf{v}[k]\|_\infty$$

A. Chakrabarty, S. H. Žak, and S. Sundaram, *State and unknown input observers for discrete-time nonlinear systems*, 2016 IEEE 55th CDC, Las Vegas, Dec 12–14, 2016, pp. 7111–7116

Sufficient condition for l_∞ -stability

Lemma

Suppose that for $\mathbf{e}[k+1] = \mathbf{f}(k, \mathbf{e}[k], \mathbf{v}[k])$, there exists $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and scalars $\delta \in (0, 1)$, $\beta_1, \beta_2 > 0$ and $\mu_1, \mu_2 \geq 0$ such that

$$\beta_1 \|\mathbf{e}[k]\|^2 \leq V(\mathbf{e}[k]) \leq \beta_2 \|\mathbf{e}[k]\|^2$$

and

$$\Delta V[k] \leq -\delta(V(\mathbf{e}[k]) - \mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[k]\|^2)$$

for all $k \geq 0$, where $\Delta V[k] = V(\mathbf{e}[k+1]) - V(\mathbf{e}[k])$. Then, the error system is globally uniformly l_∞ -stable with performance level $\gamma = \sqrt{\mu_1 \mu_2}$ with respect to the disturbance input sequence $\mathbf{v}[k]$

Note that $\|\mathbf{e}[k]\|^2 \leq \mu_2 V(\mathbf{e}[k])$ where $\mu_2 = 1/\beta_1$

Proof of the sufficient condition

- Expand $\Delta V[k] \leq -\delta(V(\mathbf{e}[k]) - \mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[k]\|^2)$
- Use $\Delta V[k] = V(\mathbf{e}[k+1]) - V(\mathbf{e}[k])$ to obtain

$$V(\mathbf{e}[k+1]) \leq (1-\delta)V(\mathbf{e}[k]) + \delta\mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[k]\|^2$$

- Hence, $V(\mathbf{e}[1]) = (1-\delta)V(\mathbf{e}[0]) + \delta\mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[0]\|^2$
- Next

$$\begin{aligned} V(\mathbf{e}[2]) &= (1-\delta)V(\mathbf{e}[1]) + \delta\mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[1]\|^2 \\ &= (1-\delta)^2 V(\mathbf{e}[0]) + (1-\delta)\delta\mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[0]\|^2 + \delta\mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[1]\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

- Proceeding, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} V(\mathbf{e}[k]) &= (1-\delta)^k V(\mathbf{e}[0]) + (1-\delta)^{k-1} \delta\mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[0]\|^2 \\ &\quad \dots + (1-\delta)\delta\mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[k-2]\|^2 + \delta\mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[k-1]\|^2 \\ &\leq (1-\delta)^k V(\mathbf{e}[0]) + \delta\mu_1 \left((1-\delta)^{k-1} + \dots + 1 \right) \|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty^2 \\ &= (1-\delta)^k V(\mathbf{e}[0]) + \delta\mu_1 \left(\frac{1 - (1-\delta)^k}{1 - (1-\delta)} \right) \|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty^2 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of the sufficient condition contd.

- We have

$$V(\mathbf{e}[k]) \leq (1 - \delta)^k V(\mathbf{e}[0]) + \delta \mu_1 \left(\frac{1 - (1 - \delta)^k}{1 - (1 - \delta)} \right) \|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty^2$$

- Hence

$$V(\mathbf{e}[k]) \leq (1 - \delta)^k V(\mathbf{e}[0]) + \mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty^2$$

for any $k \geq 0$ since $0 < \delta < 1$

Proof of the sufficient condition—Conclusion

- We have

$$V(\mathbf{e}[k]) \leq (1 - \delta)^k V(\mathbf{e}[0]) + \mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty^2$$

- Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{e}[k]\|^2 &\leq \mu_2 V(\mathbf{e}[k]) \\ &\leq \mu_2 (1 - \delta)^k V(\mathbf{e}[0]) + \mu_1 \mu_2 \|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty^2 \end{aligned}$$

- This implies

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{e}[k]\|^2 \leq \mu_1 \mu_2 \|\mathbf{v}\|_\infty^2$$

- In sum, the error dynamics are l_∞ -stable with performance level $\gamma = \sqrt{\mu_1 \mu_2}$

Stability of the error dynamics

Recall the observation error dynamics of the closed-loop UIO

$$\mathbf{e}[k+1] = (\mathbf{A}_1 - \mathbf{LC})\mathbf{e}[k] - \mathbf{LD}\mathbf{v}[k]$$

Theorem

The observation error dynamics are globally uniformly l_∞ -stable with performance level γ if $(\mathbf{A}_1 - \mathbf{LC})$ is Schur stable and either of the conditions of the definition of the l_∞ -stability is satisfied

In sum: We proved stability of the error dynamics lemma that we will use next

Observation error: $\mathbf{e}[k+1] = (\mathbf{A}_1 - \mathbf{L}\mathbf{C})\mathbf{e}[k] - \mathbf{L}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{v}[k]$

Lemma

Suppose there exists a function $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and scalars $\delta \in (0, 1)$, $\beta_1, \beta_2 > 0$ and $\mu_1, \mu_2 \geq 0$ such that

$$\beta_1 \|\mathbf{e}[k]\|^2 \leq V(\mathbf{e}[k]) \leq \beta_2 \|\mathbf{e}[k]\|^2,$$

$$\Delta V[k] \leq -\delta(V(\mathbf{e}[k]) - \mu_1 \|\mathbf{v}[k]\|^2)$$

for all $k \geq 0$. Then, the observation error is globally uniformly l_∞ -stable with performance level $\gamma = \sqrt{\mu_1 \mu_2}$ with respect to the output disturbance $\mathbf{v}[k]$, where $\|\mathbf{e}[k]\|^2 \leq \mu_2 V(\mathbf{e}[k])$ with $\mu_2 = 1/\beta_1$