

ECE 68000: MODERN AUTOMATIC CONTROL

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Solving algebraic Riccati equation's using MATLAB's
functions and LMI's

Solving continuous algebraic Riccati equation (CARE) using MATLAB's functions

- Continuous LQR problem: minimize the performance index

$$J = \int_0^{\infty} (\mathbf{x}^{\top} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}^{\top} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{x}^{\top} \mathbf{N} \mathbf{u}) dt$$

subject to

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}, \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$$

- MATLAB's function `lqr` computes the optimal state-feedback control $\mathbf{u} = -\mathbf{K} \mathbf{x}$
- `lqr` also returns the solution \mathbf{P} of the associated algebraic Riccati equation and the closed-loop poles
 $\text{CLP} = \text{eig}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} \mathbf{K})$
- The matrix \mathbf{N} is set to zero when omitted

Solving discrete algebraic Riccati equation (DARE) using MATLAB's functions

- Discrete LQR problem: minimize the performance index

$$J(\mathbf{u}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \{ \mathbf{x}[k]^{\top} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x}[k] + \mathbf{u}[k]^{\top} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{u}[k] + 2 \mathbf{x}[k]^{\top} \mathbf{N} \mathbf{u}[k] \}$$

subject to

$$\mathbf{x}[k+1] = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}[k] + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}[k], \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

with a specified initial condition $\mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$

- $[K, P, CLP] = \text{dlqr}(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{N})$ calculates optimal \mathbf{K}
- dlqr also returns the solution \mathbf{P} of the associated algebraic Riccati equation and the closed-loop poles
 $CLP = \text{eig}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} \mathbf{K})$
- The matrix \mathbf{N} is set to zero when omitted

The Schur Complement Lemma

- Very common trick used in control systems
- Block symmetric matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{B} \\ \mathcal{B}^\top & \mathcal{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{B} \\ \mathcal{B}^\top & \mathcal{C} \end{bmatrix} \prec 0 \iff \mathcal{A} \prec 0, \mathcal{C} - \mathcal{B}^\top \mathcal{A}^{-1} \mathcal{B} \prec 0$$

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Solving CARE—Background

- CARE: $A^\top P + PA + Q - PBR^{-1}B^\top P = 0$
- Matrices $Q = Q^\top \succeq 0$, $R = R^\top \succ 0$
- Riccati inequality: $A^\top P + PA + Q - PBR^{-1}B^\top P \preceq 0$
- Recall the condition of theorem

Theorem

If the state-feedback controller $\mathbf{u}^ = -\mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}$ is such that*

$$\min_{\mathbf{u}} \left(\frac{dV}{dt} + \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{R}\mathbf{u} \right) = 0,$$

for some $V = \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}$, then the controller is optimal.

Theorem's sufficiency condition

- Let

$$f(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{dV}{dt} + \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{u}$$

- Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{u}) &= 2\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{P} \dot{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{u} \\ &= \mathbf{x}^\top (\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{K} - \mathbf{K}^\top \mathbf{B}^\top \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{K}^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K}) \mathbf{x} \\ &\leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Equivalently

$$\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{K} - \mathbf{K}^\top \mathbf{B}^\top \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{K}^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{K} \preceq 0$$

Solving CARE

- Let $S = P^{-1}$ and $Z = KS$
- Pre-multiply and post-multiply the Riccati inequality by S

$$SA^{\top} + AS - Z^{\top}B^{\top} - BZ + SQS + Z^{\top}RZ \preceq 0$$

- Taking Schur complements:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{B} \\ \mathcal{B}^{\top} & \mathcal{C} \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} SA^{\top} + AS - Z^{\top}B^{\top} - BZ & S & Z^{\top} \\ S & -Q^{-1} & 0 \\ Z & 0 & -R^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \preceq 0$$

- Note that controller gain $K = ZS^{-1}$

Snippet in CVX

```
% Specify your system and weight matrices

cvx_begin sdp quiet
% Variable definition
variable S(n, n) symmetric
variable Z(m,n)
% LMIs
[S*sys.A' + sys.A*S - sys.B*Z - Z'*sys.B, S, Z';...
S, -inv(sys.Q), zeros(n,m);...
Z, zeros(m,n), -inv(sys.R)] <= 0
S >= eps*eye(n)
cvx_end
sys.K = Z/S % compute K matrix
```