

* Introduction to Lyapunov Theorem (Stability Definition) :

Consider the nonlinear differential eqⁿ: $\dot{x} = f(x)$, $f(0) = 0$. Since $f(0) = 0$, $f(x)$ has a solution $x = 0$.

To guarantee that a solution exists and is unique, a sufficient condition is that $f(x)$ is Lipschitz:

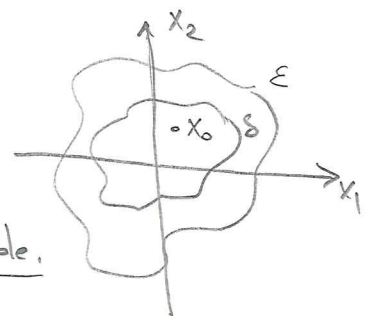
i.e. $\|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq L \|x - y\|$, $L > 0$ in the neighborhood of the origin.

Definition:

The solution $x = 0$ to the differential eqⁿ $\dot{x} = f(x)$ is called stable if for $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist a number $\delta(\varepsilon)$ such that all solutions with initial conditions $\|x(0)\| < \delta$ have the property $\|x(t)\| < \varepsilon$ for $0 \leq t < \infty$.

- The solution is unstable if it is not stable.
- The solution is asymptotically stable if it is stable and δ can be found such that all solutions with $\|x(0)\| < \delta$ have the property that $\|x(t)\| \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

- If the solution is asymptotically stable for any initial value, it is called globally asymptotically stable.

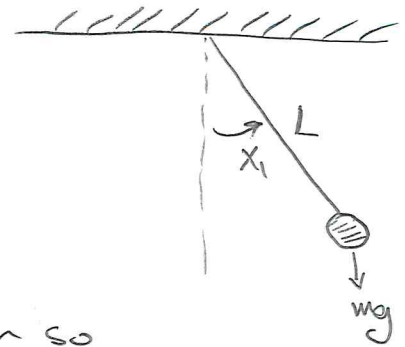


Example:

Consider the inverted pendulum equation:

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -\frac{g}{L} \sin(x_1) - \frac{k}{m} x_2$$



The reference of the potential energy is chosen so

that $E(0) = 0$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} m x_2^2 + mg(L - L \cos x_1)$$

if there is no friction, $E(x) = \text{constant}$, otherwise $\frac{dE}{dt} \leq 0$.

Conclusion: $x=0$ is a stable equilibrium point.

* Introduction to Lyapunov Theorem (Positive Functions):

Definition:

A continuously differential function $V: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called positive definite in a region $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ containing the origin if:

- $V(0) = 0$
- $V(x) > 0$ for all $x \in U$ and $x \neq 0$.

\Rightarrow a function is called positive semi-definite if $V(x) \geq 0$.

Note:

If we can find a function such that the velocity vector $\dot{x} = f(x)$ always points towards the interior of level curves, it seems intuitively clear that a solution that starts inside a given level curve can never

pass to the outside of the same level curve.

* Lyapunov Theorem (for time invariant systems) :

- If there exists a function $V: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is positive definite such that its derivative along the solution of $\dot{x} = f(x)$, $\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f(x)$ is negative semi-definite, then the solution $x(t) = 0$ to $\dot{x} = f(x)$ is stable.
- If $\frac{dV}{dt}$ is negative definite, the solution is asymptotically stable.
- The function V is called the Lyapunov function for the system $\dot{x} = f(x)$.
- Moreover, if $\frac{dV}{dt} < 0$ and $V(x) \rightarrow \infty$ when $\|x\| \rightarrow \infty$, the solution is globally asymptotically stable.

notes:

- The surface $V(x) = c$ for some $c > 0$ is called a Lyapunov surface or a Lyapunov level surface.
- The condition $\dot{V} \leq 0$ implies that when a trajectory crosses a Lyapunov surface $V(x) = c$, it moves inside the set $\Omega_c = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : V(x) \leq c\}$ and cannot come out. The system is stable.
- If $\dot{V} < 0$, the trajectory moves from one Lyapunov surface to an inner Lyapunov surface with a smaller " c ". As c decreases, the Lyapunov surface $V(x) = 0$ shrinks to the origin. The system is asymptotically stable.

⇒ Lyapunov theorem gives only sufficient stability conditions.

Example:

Consider the pendulum equations:

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -\frac{g}{L} \sin(x_1)$$

A candidate Lyapunov function is $V(x) = \frac{g}{L} (1 - \cos x_1) + \frac{1}{2} x_2^2$

note that:

- $V(0) = 0$
- $V(x) > 0$ for $-2\pi < x_1 < 2\pi$
- $\dot{V}(x) = \frac{g}{L} \sin x_1 \cdot \dot{x}_1 + x_2 \cdot \dot{x}_2$
 $= \frac{g}{L} x_2 \sin x_1 - \frac{g}{L} x_2 \sin x_1 = 0$

we conclude that the origin is stable.

Example:

Let $\dot{x}_1 = x_2$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -\frac{g}{L} \sin(x_1) - \frac{k}{m} x_2$$

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- $\dot{V}(x) = \frac{g}{L} \sin x_1 \cdot \dot{x}_1 + x_2 \cdot \dot{x}_2$
 $= \frac{g}{L} x_2 \sin x_1 - \frac{g}{L} x_2 \sin x_1 - \frac{k}{m} x_2^2 = -\frac{k}{m} x_2^2 \leq 0$

\dot{V} is negative semi-definite since $\dot{V}(x) = 0$ for $x_2 = 0$ irrespective of x_1 .

\Rightarrow We can only conclude that the system is stable.

However, $x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{x}_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = \text{constant}$

Also $x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{x}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \sin x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 0$

\hookrightarrow The system can maintain $\dot{V}(x) = 0$ only at $x = 0$, we conclude asymptotically stable.

* LaSalle's Invariance Principle:

If in a domain about the origin, it is possible to find a Lyapunov fn whose derivatives along the trajectories of the system is negative semi-definite and if it can be established that no system trajectory can stay forever at points where $\dot{V}(x) = 0$ except at the origin, the origin is said to be asymptotically stable.

* Design steps Using Lyapunov Method:

- ① Derivation of the error equation: This is a differential equation of the error signal, e (which may be the output error or the state errors). The error should be written as a known linear function controlled by a nonlinear input term. Usually the linear term contains the reference model transfer fn.

- ② A candidate Lyapunov fn is formed as a fn of both the signal error and parameters error. Typically:

$$V = e^T P e + \phi^T \Gamma^{-1} \phi.$$

- ③ The time derivative of V is calculated. Typically, we will get

$$\dot{V} = -e^T Q e + \sum \text{terms including } \phi$$

- Putting the terms including ϕ to zero, \dot{V} is guaranteed to be negative definite with respect to e if $Q > 0$.
- P and Q satisfy $A^T P + P A = -Q$ where A represents the linear part of the error model. Barbalat's lemma leads to $e \rightarrow 0$.

Proof:

$$V = X^T P X, \quad \dot{X} = A X$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= \underbrace{\dot{X}^T}_{X^T A^T} P X + X^T P \underbrace{\dot{X}}_{A X} = X^T A^T P X + X^T P A X \\ &= X^T [A^T P + P A] X \\ &\leq -X^T Q X \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A^T P + P A = -Q}$$

- ④ Putting the extra terms in \dot{V} to zero provides the adaptation equations.

Example: [Adaptation of Feedforward Gain]

Process model: $\frac{dy}{dt} = -ay + ku$

Desired response: $\frac{dy_m}{dt} = -ay_m + k_0 u_c$

Controller: $u = \theta u_c$

$\Rightarrow e = y - y_m$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{e} &= \dot{y} - \dot{y}_m = -ay + ku + ay_m - k_0 u_c \\ &= -ay + k\theta u_c + ay_m - k_0 u_c \\ &= -a[y - y_m] + [k\theta - k_0]u_c \\ &= \boxed{-ae + [k\theta - k_0]u_c}\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow system model: $\frac{dy}{dt} = -ay + ku$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = ? ? ! !$$

\Rightarrow Desired equilibrium: $e = 0$, $\theta = \theta_0 = \frac{k_0}{k}$

\Rightarrow Consider the Lyapunov function:

$$V(e, \theta) = \frac{\gamma}{2} e^2 + \frac{k}{2} (\theta - \theta_0)^2$$

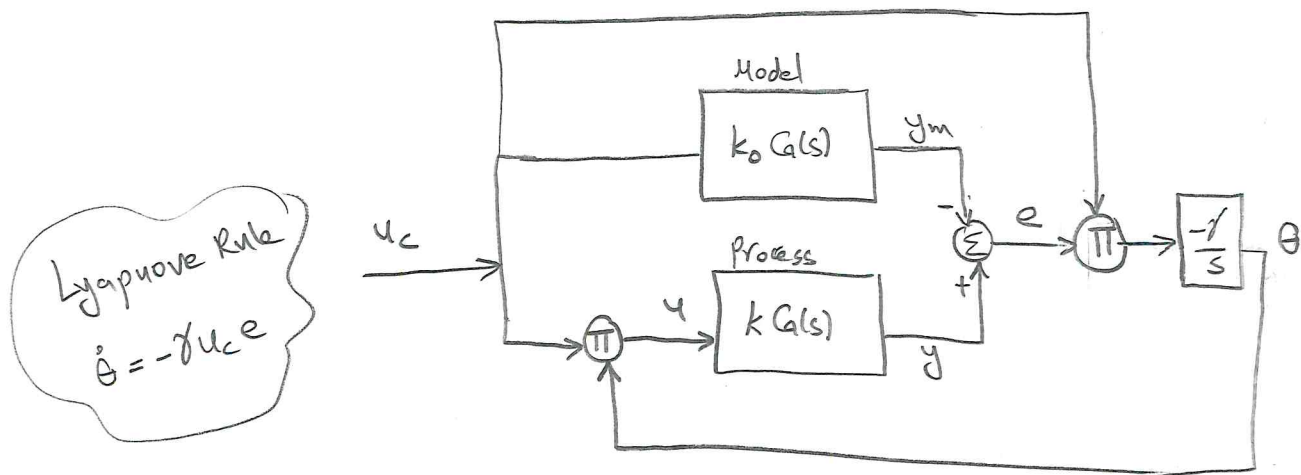
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dV}{dt} &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial e} \dot{e} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} \dot{\theta} \\ &= \gamma e [-ae + (k\theta - k_0)u_c] + k(\theta - \theta_0) \dot{\theta} \\ &= -a\gamma e^2 + \gamma e u_c (k\theta - k_0) + k(\theta - \frac{k_0}{k}) \dot{\theta}\end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{V} = -a\gamma e^2 + (k\theta - k_0) \underbrace{[\dot{\theta} + \gamma u_c e]}_0$$

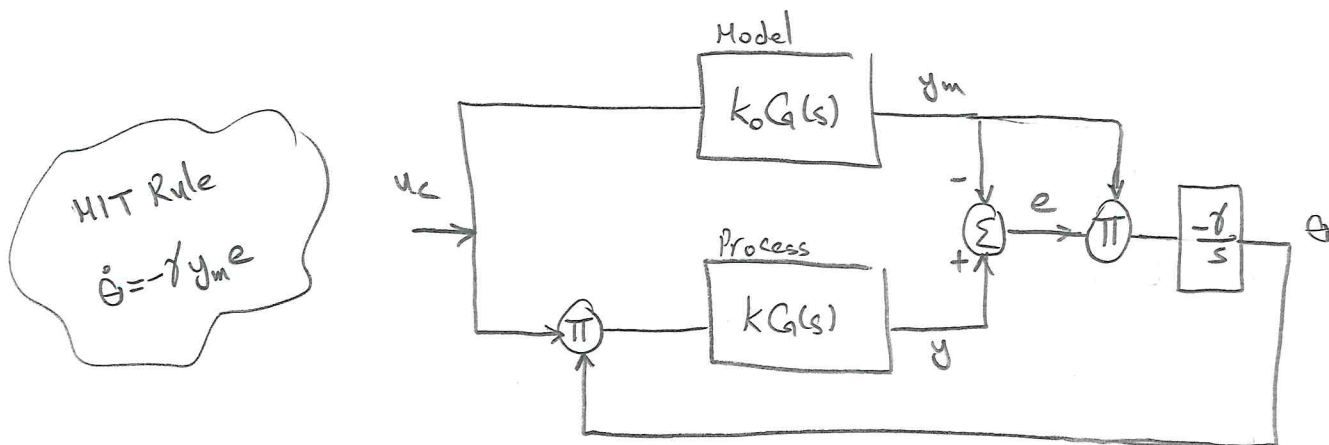
⇒ choosing the adjustment rule:

$$\dot{\theta} = -\gamma u_c e$$

gives: $\dot{V} = -a\gamma e^2$



Remember:



Example [First order system] :

- Process Model: $\frac{dy}{dt} = -ay + bu$
- Desired response: $\frac{dy_m}{dt} = -a_m y_m + b_m u_c$
- Controller: $u = \theta_1 u_c - \theta_2 y$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{y} &= -ay + b[\theta_1 u_c - \theta_2 y] \\ &= -[a + \theta_2]y + b\theta_1 u_c \\ &= -a_m y_m + b_m u_c\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow a + \theta_2 &= a_m \quad \Rightarrow \boxed{\theta_2 = a_m - a} \\ \Rightarrow b\theta_1 &= b_m \quad \Rightarrow \boxed{\theta_1 = \frac{b_m}{b}}\end{aligned}$$

$$e = y - y_m$$

$$\dot{e} = \dot{y} - \dot{y}_m$$

$$= -ay + bu - (-a_m y_m + b_m u_c)$$

$$= -ay + b[\theta_1 u_c - \theta_2 y] + a_m y_m - b_m u_c$$

$$= -[a + b\theta_2]y + [b\theta_1 - b_m]u_c + a_m y_m + a_m y - a_m y$$

$$\boxed{\dot{e} = -a_m e - (a + b\theta_2 - a_m)y + (b\theta_1 - b_m)u_c}$$

$$V(e, \theta_1, \theta_2) = \frac{1}{2} \left[e^2 + \frac{1}{b\gamma} (b\theta_2 + a - a_m)^2 + \frac{1}{b\gamma} (b\theta_1 - b_m)^2 \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= e \dot{e} + \frac{1}{b\gamma} (b\theta_2 + a - a_m) b \cdot \dot{\theta}_2 + \frac{1}{b\gamma} (b\theta_1 - b_m) \cdot b \cdot \dot{\theta}_1 \\ &= e [-a_m e - (a + b\theta_2 - a_m)y + (b\theta_1 - b_m)u_c] + \frac{1}{\gamma} (b\theta_2 + a - a_m) \dot{\theta}_2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\gamma} (b\theta_1 - b_m) \dot{\theta}_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -a_m e^2 - e(a + b\theta_2 - a_m)y + e(b\theta_1 - b_m)u_c \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\gamma} (b\theta_2 + a - a_m) \dot{\theta}_2 + \frac{1}{\gamma} (b\theta_1 - b_m) \dot{\theta}_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$= -a_m e^2 + [b\theta_2 + a_m - a] \underbrace{\left[\frac{1}{\gamma} \dot{\theta}_2 - ey \right]}_0 + [b\theta_1 - b_m] \underbrace{\left[\frac{1}{\gamma} \dot{\theta}_1 + eu_c \right]}_0$$

adjustment
rules

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\dot{\theta}_1 = -\gamma e u_c}, \quad \boxed{\dot{\theta}_2 = \gamma e y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{V} = -a_m e^2$$

Let us compare Lyapunov to MIT rule:

$$\dot{\theta} = \gamma \varphi e$$

Lyapunov

$$\varphi = [-u_c \quad y]$$

MIT

$$\varphi = \left[\frac{-a_m}{p + a_m} u_c \quad \frac{a_m}{p + a_m} y \right]$$

\Rightarrow no filtering for u_c and y

$$= \frac{a_m}{p + a_m} [-u_c \quad y]$$

- The adjustment rule obtained by Lyapunov fn is simpler because it does not require filtering of the signal.
- However, arbitrary large value of adaptation gain " γ " can be used with the Lyapunov theory.

