

Appendix: Stability Part 1

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* Equilibrium state

⇒ For non linear unforced system

$$\dot{x} = f(x, t), x(t_0) = x_0$$

An equilibrium state/point x_e is one such that

$$f(x_e, t) = 0 \quad \forall t$$

* Equilibrium state of a linear System

⇒ For a linear system

$$\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), x(t_0) = x_0$$

- Origin $x_e = 0$ is always an equilibrium state
- When $A(t)$ is singular, multiple equilibrium states exist.

* Continuous function

The function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at x_0 if $\forall \epsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta(x_0, \epsilon) > 0$ such that

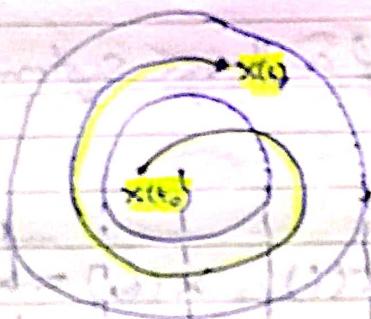
$$|x - x_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon$$

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* Lyapunov's definition of Stability

→ The equilibrium state of $\dot{x} = f(x, t)$ is stable in the sense of Lyapunov if for all $\epsilon > 0$, and t_0 , there exist $\delta(\epsilon, t_0) > 0$ such that,

$$\|x(t_0)\|_2 < \delta \text{ gives } \|x(t)\|_2 < \epsilon + t \geq t_0$$



$$\delta$$

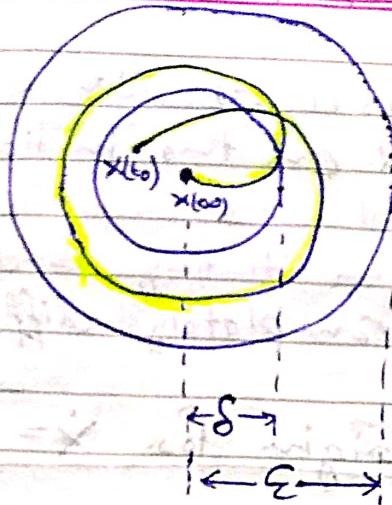
* Asymptotic stability

→ The equilibrium state of $\dot{x} = f(x, t)$ is asymptotically stable if it is stable in the sense of Lyapunov

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→ For all $\epsilon > 0$ and t_0 there exist $\delta(\epsilon, t_0) > 0$ such that

$$\|x(t_0)\|_2 < \delta \text{ gives } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$$



* Stability of LTI Systems: method of eigenvalue / pole locations

⇒ The stability of the equilibrium point for $\dot{x} = Ax$ or $x(k+1) = Ax(k)$ can be concluded immediately based on the eigen values λ 's of A .

→ The response $e^{At}x(0)$ involves modes such as $e^{\sigma t}e^{j\omega t}$, $e^{\sigma t}\cos(\omega t)$, $e^{\sigma t}\sin(\omega t)$

$$\hookrightarrow e^{\sigma t} \rightarrow 0 \text{ if } \sigma < 0 \quad \text{Re}(\lambda) < 0$$

$$e^{j\omega t} \rightarrow 0 \text{ if } \omega < 0$$

→ The response $A^K x(K_0)$ involves modes such as λ^K , $K\lambda^{K-1}$, $\sigma^K \cos(K\theta)$, $\sigma^K \sin(K\theta)$

$$\hookrightarrow \lambda^K \rightarrow 0 \text{ if } |\lambda| < 1$$

$$\sigma^K \rightarrow 0 \text{ if } |\sigma| = \sqrt{\sigma^2 + \omega^2} = |\lambda| < 1$$

⇒ Double pendulum is a chaotic system because it is highly sensitive on the initial conditions.

→ tiny change in starting conditions will result in a completely different motion.

* Stability of the origin for $\dot{x} = Ax$

① Unstable

→ $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) > 0$ for some λ_i

→ $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) \leq 0$ & λ_i but for repeated λ_m on the imaginary axis with multiplicity m , $\operatorname{Nullity}(A - \lambda_m I) < m$

(Jordan form)

② Lyapunov stable

→ $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) \leq 0$ & all λ_i 's are & repeated λ_m on the imaginary axis with multiplicity m , $\operatorname{Nullity}(A - \lambda_m I) = m$

(Diagonal form)

③ Asymptotically stable

→ $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0$ & λ_i (A is then called) Hurwitz

{Such matrix are called}
Hurwitz matrix

* Stability of the origin for $x(k+1) = f(x(k), k)$

→ For stability of equilibrium point x_e :

$$f(x_e, k) = x_e + k$$

* Stability of the Origin for $x(k+1) = Ax(k)$

① Unstable

→ $|x_i| > 1$ for sum λ_i

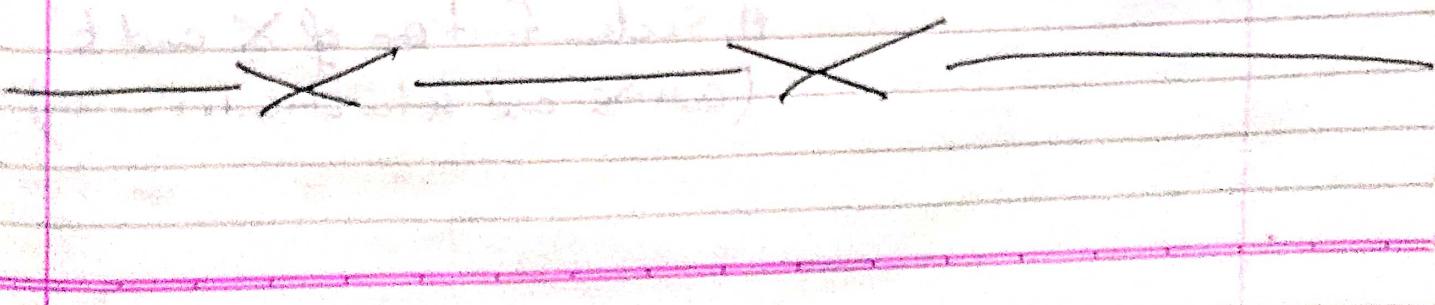
→ $|x_i| \leq 1 \neq \lambda_i$ but for a repeated λ_m on the unit circle with multiplicity m ,
 $\text{nullity}(A - \lambda_m I) < m$
 (Jordan form)

② Lyapunov stable

→ $|x_i| \leq 1 \neq \lambda_i$ but for any repeated λ_m on
 the unit circle with multiplicity m ,
 $\text{nullity}(A - \lambda_m I) = m$
 (diagonal form)

③ Asymptotically stable

→ $|x_i| < 1 \neq \lambda_i$ { Such matrix are called Schur matrix }



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* Lyapunov's approach to stability

⇒ The direct method of Lyapunov to stability problem:

- No need for explicit solutions to system responses
- An "energy" perspective
- Fit for general dynamic system

(linear/non-linear time-invariant/time-varying)

* Stability from an energy view point

⇒ Consider unforced, time-varying, nonlinear systems:

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), t), x(t_0) = x_0$$

$$x(k+1) = f(x(k), k), x(k_0) = x_0$$

⇒ Assume the origin is an equilibrium state

⇒ Energy function ⇒ Lyapunov function

A scalar function of x and t
(on x and k in discrete case)

→ Goal is to relate properties of the state through the Lyapunov function.

* Important properties of a symmetric matrix

① Eigenvalues of symmetric matrices are all real.

↳ Eigenvalues of skew-symmetric are all imaginary or zero.

② All eigenvalues of an orthogonal matrix has a magnitude of 1.

Matrix Structure

Analogy in Complex plane

Symmetric

real line

Skew-Symmetric

Imaginary line

Orthogonal

Unit Circle

* The spectral theorem for symmetric matrices

→ When $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ has n distinct eigenvalues, we can do diagonalization $A = U \Lambda U^{-1}$.

↳ The Spectral theorem significantly simplifies the result when A is symmetric.

Theorem: Symmetric eigenvalue decomposition (SED)

$\Rightarrow \forall A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $A^T = A$, there always exist $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$ and $U \in \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t. $A = U \Lambda U^T$

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i u_i u_i^T = U \Lambda U^T$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_i$'s \Rightarrow Eigenvalues of A

$\Rightarrow U = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m]$ is orthogonal: $U^T U = U U^T = I$

$\Rightarrow \Lambda = \text{diagonal } (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m)$

* Theorem: Eigenvalues of symmetric matrices

\Rightarrow If $A = A^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, then the eigenvalues of A satisfy

$$\lambda_{\max} = \max_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ x \neq 0}} \frac{x^T A x}{\|x\|_2^2}$$

$$\lambda_{\min} = \min_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ x \neq 0}} \frac{x^T A x}{\|x\|_2^2}$$

Proof

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i u_i u_i^T$$

$\{u_i\}_{i=1}^m$ forms a basis
orthonormal

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i u_i$$

$\left\{ \begin{matrix} \lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \dots > \lambda_m \\ \downarrow \\ \lambda_{\max} \end{matrix} \right.$
 $\left. \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \lambda_{\min} \end{matrix} \right.$

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{X} = (\alpha_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \alpha_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T + \dots) (\lambda_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \lambda_2 \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T + \dots)$$

$$(\lambda_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + \lambda_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \alpha_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T + \dots) (\alpha_1 \lambda_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + \alpha_2 \lambda_2 \mathbf{u}_2 + \dots)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 \alpha_1^2 + \lambda_2 \alpha_2^2 + \dots$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{X}}{\|\mathbf{X}\|_2^2} = \frac{\lambda_1 \alpha_1^2 + \lambda_2 \alpha_2^2 + \dots + \lambda_n \alpha_n^2}{\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2 + \dots + \alpha_n^2}$$

$$\lambda_n \leq \frac{\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{X}}{\|\mathbf{X}\|_2^2} \leq \lambda_1$$

$\alpha_1 \neq 0 \text{ & } \alpha_2 = \alpha_3 = \dots = \alpha_n = 0$

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* Positive definite matrices

A Symmetric matrix $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is called positive-definite, written $P > 0$, if $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x} > 0 \text{ & } \mathbf{x} \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

→ P is called positive-Semidefinite written $P \geq 0$
if $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x} \geq 0 \text{ & } \mathbf{x} \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Similarly negative definite & negative semi-definite

⇒ We often use the following necessary and sufficient conditions to check if a symmetric matrix P is positive (semi) definite or not:

① $P > 0$ ($P \geq 0$) \Leftrightarrow The leading principle minors defined below are positive (non-negative).

⇒ The leading principle minors of $P = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} & P_{13} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} & P_{23} \\ P_{31} & P_{32} & P_{33} \end{bmatrix}$

are defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} &\rightarrow P_{11} \\ &\rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} \end{vmatrix} \\ &\rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} & P_{13} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} & P_{23} \\ P_{31} & P_{32} & P_{33} \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

② $P > 0$ ($P \geq 0$) $\Leftrightarrow P$ can be decomposed as $P = N^T N$ where N is nonsingular (singular)

$$P = U \Lambda U^T = U \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sqrt{\lambda_n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{x_1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sqrt{x_n} \end{bmatrix} U^T$$

N^T N

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⇒ The equilibrium point $\mathbf{0}$ of $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t), t)$, $\mathbf{x}(t_0) = \mathbf{x}_0$ is

→ Stable in the sense of Lyapunov if

→ \exists locally PD function $V(\mathbf{x}, t)$ (called Lyapunov function)

such that $\dot{V}(\mathbf{x}, t) \leq 0 \quad \forall t > t_0$

& $\|\mathbf{x}\| < \sigma$ for some $\sigma > 0$.

→ Asymptotically stable if $\dot{V}(\mathbf{x}, t) < 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$

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* Linear System ($\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$)

⇒ A good candidate for Lyapunov function is quadratic:

$$V(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^T$$

→ where \mathbf{P} is positive definite

$$\dot{V}(\mathbf{x}) = \dot{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{P} \dot{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$= (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})$$

$$= \mathbf{x}^T (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A} \leq 0 \quad \text{or.} \leq 0$$

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Lyapunov Equation

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$\Rightarrow \dot{x} = Ax$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ origin is asymptotically stable iff $\exists Q > 0$ $A^T P + PA = -Q$ has a positive definite (PD) solution $P > 0$, $P^T = P$.

Proof

$$\dot{x} = Ax \Rightarrow x(t) = e^{At} x(0) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\dot{V}(x) = x^T (A^T P + PA)x = -x^T Q x$$

$$V(x, t) \Big|_0^\infty = \int_0^\infty V(x) dt$$

$$x^T(\infty) P x(\infty) - x^T(0) P x(0) = \int_0^\infty -x^T Q x dt$$

$$x^T(0) P x(0) = \int_0^\infty x^T(0) e^{At} Q e^{At} x(0) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \int_0^\infty e^{At} Q e^{At} dt$$

$\Rightarrow Q > 0 \Rightarrow Q = N^T N$; where N is nonsingular

$$\int_0^\infty e^{At} Q e^{At} dt = \int_0^\infty e^{At} N^T N e^{At} dt$$

$x(0)$ $x(0)$ $x^T(0)$ $x(0)$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^\infty (N e^{At} x(0))^T (N e^{At} x(0)) dt \quad \text{--- (2) } \leftarrow$$

$M(t)$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^\infty \|M(t)\|^2 dt \geq 0$$

$$x^T(0) P x(0) \geq 0$$

$$x^T(0) P x(0) = 0 \text{ only if } x(0) = 0$$

* Solving $A^T P + PA = -Q$ (2×2 case)

$$\text{Let } Q = [q_1, q_2]$$

$$P = [P_1, P_2]$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T [P_1, P_2] + [P_1, P_2] A = [-q_1, -q_2]$$

Writing positions as follows. For instance, a \rightarrow

① First Column: \rightarrow position obtained by first column

$$A^T P_1 + [P_1, P_2] \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \end{bmatrix} = -q_1$$

② Second Column:

$$A^T P_2 + [P_1, P_2] \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \end{bmatrix} = -q_2$$

\Rightarrow Solving 1st & 2nd columns:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A^T P_1 + P_1 Q_{11} + P_2 Q_{21} = -a_1 \\ A^T P_2 + P_1 Q_{12} + P_2 Q_{22} = -a_2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A^T P_1 + P_1 Q_{11} + P_2 Q_{21} = -a_1 \\ A^T P_2 + P_1 Q_{12} + P_2 Q_{22} = -a_2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^T & 0 \\ 0 & A^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}I & a_{21}I \\ a_{21}I & a_{22}I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 \\ -a_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^T + a_{11}I & a_{21}I \\ a_{21}I & A^T + a_{22}I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 \\ -a_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Fact

\Rightarrow Is invertible iff $\lambda_i(A) + \lambda_j(A) \neq 0$

* Procedures of Lyapunov's direct method

\Rightarrow Given a matrix A , Select an arbitrary positive definite symmetric matrix Q (eg I)

\Rightarrow Find the solution matrix P to the Lyapunov equation:

$$A^T P + P A = -Q$$

\Rightarrow If a solution P cannot be found, A is not Hurwitz

⇒ If a solution is found

→ If $P > 0$ then A is Hurwitz

→ If P is not positive definite, then A has at least one eigenvalue with a positive real part.

* Instability theorem

⇒ The previous theorems only provide sufficient but not necessary conditions.

→ Failure to find a Lyapunov function does not imply instability.

⇒ Theorem: The equilibrium state O of $\dot{x} = f(x)$ is unstable if there exists a function $W(x)$ such that

→ $W(x)$ is PD locally

$$\{W(x) > 0 \text{ and } |x| < \sigma, \text{ for some } \sigma\}$$

→ $W(0) = 0$

→ There exist states x arbitrarily close to the origin such that $W(x) > 0$

* Discrete-time Case

⇒ For the discrete-time system:

$$\boxed{x(k+1) = Ax(k)}, \text{ for } k \in \mathbb{N}$$

⇒ We consider a quadratic Lyapunov function candidate:

$$V(x) = x^T P x, \quad P = P^T > 0$$

⇒ Compute $\Delta V(x)$ along the trajectory state

$$V(x(k+1)) - V(x(k)) = \Delta V(x(k))$$

$$\Rightarrow x^T(k+1) P x(k+1) - x^T(k) P x(k)$$

$$x^T(k) A^T P A x(k)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^T(k) [A^T P A - P] x(k)$$

Given DT Lyapunov stability
theorems for LTI Systems

* DT Lyapunov stability theorem

For System $x(k+1) = Ax(k)$ with $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, the origin is asymptotically stable if and only if $\exists Q > 0$, such that the discrete-time Lyapunov equation (last line) has a unique positive definite solution $P > 0$ $P^T = P$.

$$A^T P A - P = -Q$$

has a unique positive definite solution $P > 0$ $P^T = P$.

\Rightarrow Solution to the DT Lyapunov equation, when asymptotic stability holds (A is Schur) comes from the following:

$$x(k+1) = Ax(k) \quad V(x) = x^T P x$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} V(x(k+1)) - V(x(k)) \\ V(x(k)) - V(x(k-1)) \\ \vdots \\ V(x(1)) - V(x(0)) \end{array} \right| = \sum_{k=0}^K x^T(k) [A^T P A - P] x(k)$$

$$V(x(\infty)) - V(x(0)) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^T(k) \underbrace{[A^T P A - P]}_{-Q} x(k)$$

$$= - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^T(0) (A^T)^k Q A^k x(0)$$

$$x^T(0) P x(0) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^T(0) (A^T)^k Q A^k x(0)$$

$$P = \sum_{K=0}^{\infty} (A^T)^K Q A^K$$

\Rightarrow Discrete time Lyapunov equation

$L_A = A^T P A - P$ is invertible if and only if for all i, j $(\lambda_A)_i, (\lambda_A)_j \neq 1$

$$\lambda_A = \frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{1 + 4\lambda_1^2}$$

$$(x)x^T Q(x)x = (x)V \quad (x)x^T A = (x)(x)$$

$$(x)x^T [I - RQ^T(A)](x) \leq 0 \Rightarrow ((x)x^T A - (x)(x))V \leq 0$$

$$(x)x^T [I - RQ^T(A)](x) \leq 0 \Rightarrow ((x)x^T A - (x)(x))V \leq 0$$

$$(0)x^T A \otimes (T_A)(0)x \leq 0 \Rightarrow ((0)x^T A - (0)(0))V \leq 0$$

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