

Lyapunov Analysis

recall DP:

- Lyapunov easy to compute
only for linear case
- Approximate DP LNN works quite well
(but solve a different DP, e.g. decoupling)

→ all are trying to get

"cost-to-go" function $J^*(x)$
(easy to find) (hard to find)

now Lyapunov ↔ optimal value
goal enough very good
might replace the original optimal val.

Example: stability analysis of simple pendulum

$$\ddot{\theta} = \frac{m}{l} \ddot{\theta} + mgl\sin\theta = -b\dot{\theta}$$

if $b > 0$ → hard to solve
cannot be analytic

Lyapunov instead!!!

$$\Delta E = K + U$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}ml^2\dot{\theta}^2 - mgls\theta$$

$$\Delta \frac{dE}{dt}(x), x = \begin{bmatrix} \theta \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{dE}{d\dot{\theta}} \dot{\theta} + \frac{dE}{d\theta} \ddot{\theta}$$

$$= mgl\sin\theta + ml^2\dot{\theta}^2$$

$$= \dot{\theta}(mgl\cos\theta + ml^2\dot{\theta})$$

$$= -b\dot{\theta}^2 \leq 0 \text{ if } b > 0$$

General Energy Function

given $\dot{x} = f(x)$ no u

→ want to prove stability at $x^* = 0$
→ construct a differentiable function $V(x)$, s.t.

$$\{V(0)=0, V(x)>0, x \neq 0\} \quad \text{PD}$$

$$\{V'(0)=0, V'(x)\leq 0, x \neq 0\} \quad \text{NSD}$$

sufficient condition

→ then, x^* is stable r.s.l.

$$\Delta \text{I.S.L def} \quad \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$$

$$\text{s.t. } \|x(0)-x^*\| < \delta \quad \forall t \geq 0, \|x(t)-x^*\| < \epsilon$$

E.g. pendulum

$$V(x) = E + mg\ell$$

Asymptotically Stable

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$$\{V'(0)=0, V'(x)\leq 0, x \neq 0\} \quad \text{NSD}$$

but "not \leq "

otherwise $V(x) \rightarrow \infty$,
→ diverge.

Global Stability

Global Asymptotic stability (GAS)

$$\{V(0)=0, V(x)>0, x \neq 0\} \quad \text{PD}$$

$$\{V'(0)=0, V'(x)\leq 0, x \neq 0\} \quad \text{NSD}$$

+

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(x) = \infty \quad \text{"unstable"}$$

Regional Stability

$$\{V(0)=0, V(x)>0, x \in D\} \quad \text{PD}$$

$$\{V'(0)=0, V'(x)\leq 0, x \in D\} \quad \text{NSD}$$

$\forall x \in D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

Exponential Stability

$$\{V(0)=0, V(x)>0, x \neq 0\} \quad \text{PD}$$

$$\{V'(0)=0, V'(x)\leq -\alpha V(x), x \neq 0\} \quad \text{NSD}$$

$\beta \in \mathbb{R}$

$$V(x(t)) \leq V(x(0))e^{-\alpha t}$$

e.g. $\dot{x} = -x$

$$V(x) = x^2$$

$$\dot{V}(x) = \frac{dV}{dx} \dot{x} = 2x(-x) = -2x^2 < 0$$

$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(x) = 0$ { exponential }

$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(x) = \infty$ { global stable }

e.g. $\dot{x} = -x+x^3 = f(x)$

$$\{x^* = 0 \text{ is s.p.}\}$$

$$\{V(x) = R(x)\text{ is R.O.A.}\}$$

$$\{V(x) = x^4\}$$

$$\dot{V}(x) = 2x^3(-x+x^3) = 2x^2(x^2-1)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & x=0, x=1 \\ <0 & x \in (-1, 0) \\ >0 & x \in (0, 1) \end{cases}$$

sublevel set of $V \rightarrow$ invariant set

$$V(x) \in P \text{ (inside the R.O.A. of } x^*)$$

General Form of R.O.A.

if $V(x) > 0, \dot{V}(x) < 0$

$$\forall x \in \{x | V(x) < P, P > 0\}$$

then $V(x(t)) < P$ (monotonic)

$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V \rightarrow 0, x \rightarrow 0$

and $\{x | V(x) < P\}$ is inside R.O.A.

LaSalle's Theorem

△ Lyapunov → Cost-to-go func.

HJB:

$$0 = \min_u [L(x,u) + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(f(x,u))]$$

$$u^* = \pi^*(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = L(x,u^*) + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(f(x,u^*))$$

$$= L(x,u^*) + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$$

$$\Downarrow \Delta V(x) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow J^*(x) = -L(x,u^*)$$

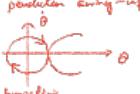
"cost-to-go" function's derivative has to be decreasing!!!

↓ relaxation

$\dot{V}(x) < 0 \rightarrow$ way more easy!!!

Lyapunov-based controller

e.g. pendulum swing-up



$$\cdot \dot{E} = mg\ell$$

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(\dot{E}^2 + \dot{\theta}^2\ell^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \dot{E}^2$$

$$\cdot \dot{E} = u\dot{\theta}$$

$$\dot{E} = \dot{\theta} - \dot{\theta}^* = u\dot{\theta}$$

$$\cdot \text{Set } u = -k\dot{\theta}^* \text{, } k > 0$$

making

$$\dot{E} = -k\dot{\theta}^* \dot{\theta}$$

Promise: find $V(x)$ should be easier

- Global Lyapunov analysis for the pendulum

- input: pendulum dynamics

parametric family of τ -NN/poly for Lyapunov polynomial over

output: coefficients of the polynomials

+ constraint that Lyapunov conditions satisfied $\forall x$?

→ Lyapunov analysis w/ convex optimization

△ some basic optimization idea

$$\min_x f(x)$$

$$\text{s.t. } g_i(x) \leq 0$$

convex (f(x))

unconstrained (g(x))

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LP → QP → SOCP → SDP

easy value

hard to solve

△ SPP

linear objective, linear constraints

PSD linear constraints,

△ Q! How do we compute Lyapunov func?

I. Parameterize Lyapunov candidate

lets say

$$x = f(u)$$

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T P x$$

nonlinear basis

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T P x$$

2. Use convex optimization search over α to satisfy Lyapunov condition.

$$\min_\alpha V(x) = 0, \forall V(x) > 0 \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$\Rightarrow \Delta V(x) > 0$

$$\forall V(x) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(f(x))$$

$$= \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(f(x))$$

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$$< -\alpha V(x)$$

linear constraint

$$\min_\alpha \|\dot{V}(x)\|_1$$

How do we make sure for all x ?

$$\min_\alpha \|\dot{V}(x)\|_1$$

△ Robust stability analysis

$$\dot{x} = Ax, A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{\tau} PA \tau, P \geq 0, \tau \geq 1$$

$$\min_\tau \text{S.R.} \text{ PA } \leq \text{P} \leq \text{PA}^\top \text{ PA} \leq \text{P}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{P} = \text{PA}^\top \text{ PA} \leq \text{P}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{P$$

↳ Let's continue on Lyapunov

Recall:

- $\dot{V}(x) > 0$
- $\dot{V}(x) < 0$
- Linear neural network
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow$ linear program
- Quadratic forms simple
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
e.g. $\dot{x} = Ax$
- $\begin{cases} V(x) = x^T P x \\ V(x) = x^T P x + b^T x \end{cases}$ (positive)
- SOP:
 $\text{find } P \geq 0, P \neq 0$ (linear programming)
- $P = A^T P A$ (Cholesky)

△ Trajectory Optimization

SO FAR:

- Dynamic Programming/optimal control
 - tabular (mesh-based)
 - LQR
 - NN (function approximation)
 - (local stability guarantees)
- Lyapunov (simpler DP)
 - sum of squares opt.
 - (LQR+SOI)
 - (more w/ SOS approx.)

For higher dimension?

$$\forall x \rightarrow \text{ND}$$

$$\text{Just } \dot{x}[0] = x_0 \quad (\text{initial condition})$$

→ motivation

△ Traj. Opt w/ linear discrete

Choose finite horizon N

$$\min_{\dot{x}[0], u[0]} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} L(x[i], u[i]) \rightarrow J(u)$$

one shot S.O.

$$\text{s.t. } \dot{x}[i] = A x[i] + B u[i]$$

$$V(u[0:N]) = \{u[0:N] \mid x[N] = x_0\}$$

$$\{u[0:N] \mid x[N] = x_0\}$$