

# Event-triggered control for singular linear positive systems

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## Abstract

This paper consider the event-triggered strategy for singular linear positive systems ...

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## Nomenclature

$\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{N}_0$	set of natural numbers, $\mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$
$\mathbb{C}_-$	$= \{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re} \lambda < 0 \}$

## 1. Introduction

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## 2. Preliminaries

Consider the linear systems

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}Ex(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t), \quad t \geq 0, \\ x(0) &= x_0, \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where  $E, A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the state vector,  $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the control vector,  $\operatorname{rank} E = r < n$ .

**Definition 2.1.** see [1]

- (i) The matrix pencil  $(E, A)$  is regular if  $\det(sE - A) \in \mathbb{R}[s] \setminus \{0\}$ .
- (ii) The matrix pencil  $(E, A)$  impulse-free if  $\deg(\det(sE - A)) = \operatorname{rank} E$ .
- (iii) The systems (1) ( $u(t) = 0$ ) is regular and impulse-free if the matrix pencil  $(E, A)$  is regular and impulse-free.

Let us introduce some basics of positive systems and event-triggered control.

**Definition 2.2.** see [4] The regular and impulse-free system (1) is positive if for all  $t \geq 0$  we have  $x(t) \succeq 0$  for any input function  $u(\tau) \succeq 0$  with  $0 \leq \tau \leq t$  and any consistent initial value  $x_0 \succeq 0$ .

**Definition 2.3.** see [2] Given  $\alpha > 0$ , the regular and impulse-free system (1) with  $u(t) = 0$  is  $\alpha$ -stable if there exist a positive number  $N > 0$  such that the solution  $x(t, x_0)$  satisfies

$$\|x(t, x_0)\| \leq Ne^{-\alpha t} \|x_0\|, \quad \text{for all } t \geq 0.$$

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**Definition 2.4.** see [2] Given  $\alpha > 0$ , the regular and impulse-free system (1) is  $\alpha$ -stabilizable if there exists a feedback control  $u(t) = Kx(t)$ ,  $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  such that the closed-loop system

$$\begin{aligned} E\dot{x}(t) &= (A + BK)x(t), \\ x(0) &= x_0, \end{aligned}$$

is positive and  $\alpha$ -stable.

Since  $\text{rank } E = r < n$ , it is known that there exist regular matrix  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  such that  $PEQ = \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Now, we denote

$$\tilde{E} := PEQ = \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{A} := PAQ = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ A_3 & A_4 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{B} := PB = \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Remark 2.5.** The regular system (1) is impulse-free if and only if  $\det(A_4) \neq 0$ .

Using coordinate transformation  $y(t) = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix} := Q^{-1}x(t)$ , where  $y_1(t) \in \mathbb{R}^r$ ,  $y_2(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-r}$ , the system (1) is reduced to the system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y}_1(t) &= A_1 y_1(t) + A_2 y_2(t) + B_1 u(t) \\ 0 &= A_3 y_1(t) + A_4 y_2(t) + B_2 u(t) \\ y_1(0) &= y_{10} \\ y_2(0) &= y_{20} \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

where  $Q^{-1}x_0 = y_0 = \begin{pmatrix} y_{10} \\ y_{20} \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Lemma 2.6.** The system (2) with  $\det(A_4) \neq 0$  is positive if and only if  $A_4$  is Hurwitz,  $\tilde{A}$  is Metzler, and  $\tilde{B} \succeq 0$ .

**Lemma 2.7.** Let  $A$  be a Metzler matrix. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i)  $A$  is Hurwitz.
- (ii) There exists  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\gamma \succ 0$  and  $A\gamma \prec 0$ .
- (iii) There exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\lambda \succ 0$  and  $\lambda^\top A \prec 0$ .
- (iv) The matrix is nonsingular and satisfies  $A^{-1} \preceq 0$ .

**Lemma 2.8.** Suppose that  $Q \succeq 0$ . If the system (2) is  $\alpha$ -stabilizable by the feedback control  $u(t) = Ky(t)$ , then the system (1) is  $\alpha$ -stabilizable by the feedback control  $u(t) = KQ^{-1}x(t)$ .

The goal of this paper is to develop an event-triggered feedback control law, which has been introduced in [3], for positive descriptor systems. We use linear feedback control law

$$u(t) = K \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & K_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = K_1 y_1(t) + K_2 y_2(t), \tag{3}$$

where  $K_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times r}$ ,  $K_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (n-r)}$ . We assume the inputs to be held constant in between the successive recomputations of (3).

$$u(t) = u(t_k) \text{ for } t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}) \tag{4}$$

where the sequence  $\{t_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  represents the instants at which (3) is re-computed and the actuator signals are updated. We refer to these instants as the *triggering* times. The state measurement error is defined by

$$e(t) = \begin{pmatrix} e_1(t) \\ e_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t_k) \\ y_2(t_k) \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = y(t_k) - y(t) \text{ for } t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}) \tag{5}$$

Using this error we express the evolution of the closed-loop system during the interval  $[t_k, t_{k+1})$  by

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{y}_1(t) &= (A_1 + B_1 K_1)y_1(t) + (A_2 + B_1 K_2)y_2(t) + B_1 K_1 e_1(t) + B_1 K_2 e_2(t), \\ 0 &= (A_3 + B_2 K_1)y_1(t) + (A_4 + B_2 K_2)y_2(t) + B_2 K_1 e_1(t) + B_2 K_2 e_2(t).\end{aligned}\quad (6)$$

We rewrite (6) in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{y}_1(t) \\ \dot{y}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ A_3 & A_4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & K_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & K_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e_1(t) \\ e_2(t) \end{pmatrix}\quad (7)$$

or

$$\tilde{E}\dot{y}(t) = (\tilde{A} + \tilde{B}K)y(t) + \tilde{B}Ke(t).$$

Suppose that the system (2) is positive. We want to find a matrix  $K$ , and a event-triggered condition which generate the *triggering times*  $\{t_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that the system (6) or (7) is positive and  $\alpha$ -stable.

### 3. Main Results

The event-triggered condition is generated by

$$\|e\| \geq \sigma \|y\|, \quad (8)$$

where  $\sigma$  is a constant satisfying  $\sigma > 0$ . The event-triggered mechanism means that the control input  $u(t)$  is updated when the condition (8) holds. We note that the *triggering times*  $\{t_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  is implicitly defined by the (8) as follow

$$t_0 = 0, \quad t_{k+1} = \inf\{t > t_k \mid \|e(t)\| \geq \sigma \|y(t)\|\}, \quad (9)$$

where  $0 < \sigma < 1$ . In case of regular, impulse-free system (2), we prove that the Zeno behavior does not happen, which means that there exists a time  $\tau > 0$  such that  $t_{k+1} - t_k \geq \tau$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** *Suppose that (2) is regular and impulse-free system. There exists a time  $\tau > 0$  such that for any consistent initial value  $y_0$  the inter-execution times  $\{t_{k+1} - t_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  implicitly defined by the execution rule (9) are lower bounded by  $\tau$ .*

*Proof.* Using feedback control (3), it is obtained the closed-loop system (6),

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{y}_1(t) &= (A_1 + B_1 K_1)y_1(t) + (A_2 + B_1 K_2)y_2(t) + B_1 K_1 e_1(t) + B_1 K_2 e_2(t), \\ 0 &= (A_3 + B_2 K_1)y_1(t) + (A_4 + B_2 K_2)y_2(t) + B_2 K_1 e_1(t) + B_2 K_2 e_2(t).\end{aligned}$$

Differentiate the second equation of the closed-loop system (6) with the note that  $\dot{y}_1(t) = -\dot{e}_1(t)$ , and  $\dot{y}_2(t) = -\dot{e}_2(t)$ , we have

$$0 = A_3 \dot{y}_1(t) + A_4 \dot{y}_2(t).$$

Since the system (2) is regular and impulse-free, the matrix  $A_4$  is non-singular. Hence,

$$\dot{y}_2(t) = -A_4^{-1} A_3 \dot{y}_1(t) = -A_4^{-1} A_3 [(A_1 + B_1 K_1)y_1(t) + (A_2 + B_1 K_2)y_2(t) + B_1 K_1 e_1(t) + B_1 K_2 e_2(t)].$$

Recall the first equation of the closed-loop system (6), we obtain the differential equation

$$\begin{aligned}\begin{pmatrix} \dot{y}_1(t) \\ \dot{y}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} A_1 + B_1 K_1 & A_2 + B_1 K_2 \\ -A_4^{-1} A_3 (A_1 + B_1 K_1) & -A_4^{-1} A_3 (A_2 + B_1 K_2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad + \begin{bmatrix} B_1 K_1 & B_1 K_2 \\ -A_4^{-1} A_3 B_1 K_1 & -A_4^{-1} A_3 B_1 K_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e_1(t) \\ e_2(t) \end{pmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$

Thereafter,

$$\begin{aligned}\|\dot{y}\| &\leq \left\| \begin{bmatrix} A_1 + B_1 K_1 & A_2 + B_1 K_2 \\ -A_4^{-1} A_3 (A_1 + B_1 K_1) & -A_4^{-1} A_3 (A_2 + B_1 K_2) \end{bmatrix} \right\| \|y\| + \left\| \begin{bmatrix} B_1 K_1 & B_1 K_2 \\ -A_4^{-1} A_3 B_1 K_1 & -A_4^{-1} A_3 B_1 K_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \|e\| \\ &= a\|y\| + b\|e\|,\end{aligned}\quad (10)$$

where  $a = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} A_1 + B_1 K_1 & A_2 + B_1 K_2 \\ -A_4^{-1} A_3 (A_1 + B_1 K_1) & -A_4^{-1} A_3 (A_2 + B_1 K_2) \end{bmatrix} \right\|$ , and  $b = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} B_1 K_1 & B_1 K_2 \\ -A_4^{-1} A_3 B_1 K_1 & -A_4^{-1} A_3 B_1 K_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\|$ .

We can now bound the inter-event times by looking at the dynamics of  $\frac{\|e\|}{\|y\|}$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\|e\|}{\|y\|} &= \frac{d}{dt} \frac{(e^\top e)^{1/2}}{(y^\top y)^{1/2}} \\ &= -\frac{e^\top \dot{y}}{\|e\|\|y\|} - \frac{y^\top \dot{y}}{\|y\|^2} \frac{\|e\|}{\|y\|} \quad (\text{by } \dot{y} = -\dot{e}) \\ &\leq \frac{\|e\|\|\dot{y}\|}{\|e\|\|y\|} + \frac{\|y\|\|\dot{y}\|}{\|y\|^2} \frac{\|e\|}{\|y\|} \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{\|e\|}{\|y\|}\right) \frac{\|\dot{y}\|}{\|y\|} \\ &\leq a + (a+b) \frac{\|e\|}{\|y\|} + b \left(\frac{\|e\|}{\|y\|}\right)^2 \quad (\text{by (10)}).\end{aligned}$$

Consequently, the inter-event times are lower bounded by time  $\tau$  satisfying

$$\phi(\tau, 0) = \sigma,$$

where  $\phi(t, \phi_0)$  is the solution of

$$\dot{\phi} = a + (a+b)\phi + b\phi^2$$

satisfying  $\phi(0, \phi_0) = \phi_0$ . As a result,  $\tau = \frac{1}{a-b} \ln \frac{a+a\sigma}{a+b\sigma} > 0$ , and  $t_{k+1} - t_k \geq \tau$ , for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $\square$

Seeking of simplicity, let us denote  $\tilde{A} = [a_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ , and  $b_i^\top$  is the  $i$ th row of  $\tilde{B}$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Suppose that (2) is regular and impulse-free system. Given  $\alpha > 0$ , if there exist constant  $0 < \sigma < 1$ , and vectors  $\beta = (\beta_1 \ \beta_2 \ \dots \ \beta_n)^\top \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$ ,  $k_j \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned}a_{ij}\beta_j + b_i^\top k_j &\geq 0, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n, \ i \neq j, \\ b_i^\top k_j &\geq 0, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n,\end{aligned}\quad (11)$$

and

$$(\alpha \tilde{E} + \tilde{A})\beta + (\sigma + 1)\tilde{B} \sum_{j=1}^n k_j \prec 0, \quad (12)$$

then under the event-triggered control law (4) with

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{k_1}{\beta_1} & \frac{k_2}{\beta_2} & \dots & \frac{k_n}{\beta_n} \end{bmatrix} \quad (13)$$

the resulting closed-loop system of system (2) is positive and  $\alpha$ -stable.

*Proof.* We proceed in several steps.

**Step 1:** We show that the resulting closed-loop system (7) is positive, regular and impulse-free.

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{y}_1(t) \\ \dot{y}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \left( \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ A_3 & A_4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & K_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ y_2(t) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & K_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e_1(t) \\ e_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since (11),  $a_{ij}\beta_j + b_i^\top k_j \geq 0$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $i \neq j$  which means that  $a_{ij} + b_i^\top \frac{k_j}{\beta_j} \geq 0$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $i \neq j$ . These implies that matrix  $\tilde{A} + \tilde{B}K$  or matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ A_3 & A_4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & K_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is Metzler.}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\sum_{j=1}^n k_j = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{k_1}{\beta_1} & \frac{k_2}{\beta_2} & \cdots & \frac{k_n}{\beta_n} \end{bmatrix} \beta = K\beta$$

Invoking condition (12), we have

$$(\alpha \tilde{E} + \tilde{A})\beta + (\sigma + 1)\tilde{B}K\beta \prec 0.$$

In conjunction with the fact that  $(\alpha \tilde{E} + \sigma \tilde{B}K)\beta \succeq 0$ , we obtain

$$(\tilde{A} + \tilde{B}K)\beta \prec 0.$$

Decomposing  $\beta := \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}$ , with  $v_1 \in \mathbb{R}_+^r$ , and  $v_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n-r}$ , we derive that

$$(\tilde{A} + \tilde{B}K)\beta = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 + B_1K_1 & A_2 + B_1K_2 \\ A_3 + B_2K_1 & A_4 + B_2K_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} \prec 0,$$

which gives

$$(A_3 + B_2K_1)v_1 + (A_4 + B_2K_2)v_2 \prec 0.$$

Since  $\tilde{A} + \tilde{B}K$  is Metzler matrix, and  $v_1 \in \mathbb{R}_+^r$ , we have  $(A_3 + B_2K_1)v_1 \succeq 0$ . Therefore,

$$(A_4 + B_2K_2)v_2 \prec 0$$

We note that matrix  $A_4 + B_2K_2$  is Metzler. Hence, according to Lemma 2.7, the matrix  $A_4 + B_2K_2$  is Hurwitz, and  $\det(A_4 + B_2K_2) \neq 0$ , which implies that the system (7) is regular, impulse-free. Furthermore, since  $\tilde{A} + \tilde{B}K$ ,  $A_4 + B_2K_2$  is Hurwitz,  $\det(A_4 + B_2K_2) \neq 0$ , and  $\tilde{B}K \succeq 0$ , we obtain that the system (7) is positive by using Lemma 2.6.

**Step 2:** We prove that the resulting closed-loop system (7) is  $\alpha$ -stable.

**Step 2a:** We show that  $y_1(t)$  is  $\alpha$ -stable.

According to **Step 1**, we have already known that the matrix  $\alpha \tilde{E} + \tilde{A} + (\sigma + 1)\tilde{B}K$  is Metzler. Recall condition (12), and using Lemma 2.7, there exists  $\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$ ,  $\lambda_1 \in \mathbb{R}^r$ ,  $\lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n-r}$  such that

$$\lambda^\top (\alpha \tilde{E} + \tilde{A} + (\sigma + 1)\tilde{B}K) \prec 0, \quad (14)$$

We now construct the Lyapunov functional candidate as follows

$$V(t, y(t)) = e^{\alpha t} \lambda^\top \tilde{E} y(t). \quad (15)$$

Taking the derivative in  $t$  along the solution we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}V(t, y(t)) &= \alpha e^{\alpha t} \lambda^\top \tilde{E} y(t) + e^{\alpha t} \lambda^\top \tilde{E} \dot{y}(t) \\ &= \alpha e^{\alpha t} \lambda^\top \tilde{E} y(t) + e^{\alpha t} \lambda^\top [(\tilde{A} + \tilde{B}K) y(t) + \tilde{B}K e(t)] \\ &= e^{\alpha t} \lambda^\top [(\alpha \tilde{E} + \tilde{A} + \tilde{B}K) y(t) + \tilde{B}K e(t)].\end{aligned}$$

By event-triggered condition (8), the event-triggered controller is not updated. We have

$$\|e(t)\| < \sigma y(t).$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{d}{dt}V(t, y(t)) < e^{\alpha t} \lambda^\top (\alpha \tilde{E} + \tilde{A} + (\sigma + 1)\tilde{B}K) y(t) \leq 0, \quad t \geq 0. \quad (16)$$

Hence,

$$V(t, y(t)) \leq V(0, y(0)) = \lambda^\top \tilde{E} y_0 = \lambda^\top \begin{pmatrix} y_{01} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_1^\top y_{01} \leq \|\lambda_1\| \|y_{01}\|.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$V(t, y(t)) = e^{\alpha t} \lambda^\top \tilde{E} y(t) \geq \Lambda e^{\alpha t} \|y_1(t)\|,$$

where  $\Lambda = \min_{1 \leq i \leq r} \lambda_i$ . As a result,

$$\|y_1(t)\| \leq \frac{\|\lambda\| \|y_0\|}{\Lambda} e^{-\alpha t}, \quad \text{for all } t \geq 0. \quad (17)$$

**Step 2b:** We show that  $y_2(t)$  is  $\alpha$ -stable.

Invoking condition (12), we have

$$(\alpha \tilde{E} + \tilde{A})\beta + (\sigma + 1)\tilde{B}K\beta \prec 0.$$

In conjunction with the fact that  $(\alpha \tilde{E})\beta \succeq 0$ , we obtain

$$(\tilde{A} + (\sigma + 1)\tilde{B}K)\beta \prec 0.$$

Imitating the process in **Step 1**, we have

$$(\tilde{A} + (\sigma + 1)\tilde{B}K)\beta = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 + (\sigma + 1)B_1K_1 & A_2 + (\sigma + 1)B_1K_2 \\ A_3 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_1 & A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} \prec 0,$$

with  $\beta := \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $v_1 \in \mathbb{R}_+^r$ , and  $v_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n-r}$ . Hence,

$$[A_3 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_1]v_1 + [A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2]v_2 \prec 0.$$

Since  $\tilde{A} + (\sigma + 1)\tilde{B}K$  is Metzler matrix, and  $v_1 \in \mathbb{R}_+^r$ , we have  $[A_3 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_1]v_1 \succeq 0$ . Therefore,

$$[A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2]v_2 \prec 0$$

We note that matrix  $A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2$  is Metzler. Hence, according to Lemma 2.7, the matrix  $A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2$  is Hurwitz, and  $\det[A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2] \neq 0$ .

On the other hand, recall (6), we have

$$0 = (A_3 + B_2K_1)y_1(t) + (A_4 + B_2K_2)y_2(t) + B_2 \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & K_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e_1(t) \\ e_2(t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

By event-triggered condition (8), the event-triggered controller is not updated. We have

$$\|e(t)\| < \sigma y(t).$$

Moreover,  $BK \succeq 0$ . Therefore,

$$[A_3 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_1]y_1(t) + [A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2]y_2 \succ 0. \quad (18)$$

Since, the matrix  $A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2$  is both Metzler and Hurwitz, using Lemma 2.7, we obtain  $-[A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2]^{-1} \succeq 0$ . Hence, pre-multiplying both sides of equation (18) with the non-singular matrix  $-[A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2]^{-1} \succeq 0$ , we have

$$-[A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2]^{-1}[A_3 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_1]y_1(t) - y_2(t) \succeq 0.$$

Thereafter,

$$y_2(t) \preceq -[A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2]^{-1}[A_3 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_1]y_1(t). \quad (19)$$

Consequently,

$$\|y_2(t)\| \leq \|[A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2]^{-1}\| \|[A_3 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_1]\| \|y_1(t)\|.$$

In corporate with (17), we have

$$\|y_2(t)\| \leq \|[A_4 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_2]^{-1}\| \|[A_3 + (\sigma + 1)B_2K_1]\| \frac{\|\lambda\| \|y_0\|}{\Lambda} e^{-\alpha t}, \quad \text{for all } t \geq 0. \quad (20)$$

Finally, from the both (17) and (20), we conclude that

$$\|y(t)\| \leq M \|y_0\| e^{-\alpha t}, \quad \text{for all } t \geq 0.$$

□

#### 4. Example

In current section, to demonstrate the application of our controller, we consider the following academic example.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -3 & -2 \\ -1 & -3 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (21)$$

System (21) is as in the form (2) with

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 0 \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, A_3 = [-1 \quad -3], A_4 = [-4], B_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B_2 = [0 \quad 1].$$

It can be seen that (21) is a impulse-free singular systems but not positive systems. To show the feasibility of our control strategy, we choose parameters  $\alpha = 0.5$  and  $\sigma = 0.5$ . By using linear programming to solve the conditions (11), (12), and (13), we obtain

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 2.0299 & 0.0400 & 0.0538 \\ 1.3404 & 3.1254 & 0.2711 \end{bmatrix}.$$

With gain matrix  $K$ , the simulation of the controller (3) and (4) apply to the system (21) over the time interval  $0 - 10$  s has been performed in MATLAB and is depicted in Fig. 1. The Fig. 1a shows that the inter-execution time strictly positive and the Fig. 1b indicates that all three state variables tend to zero which mean that the closed-loop systems is stable.

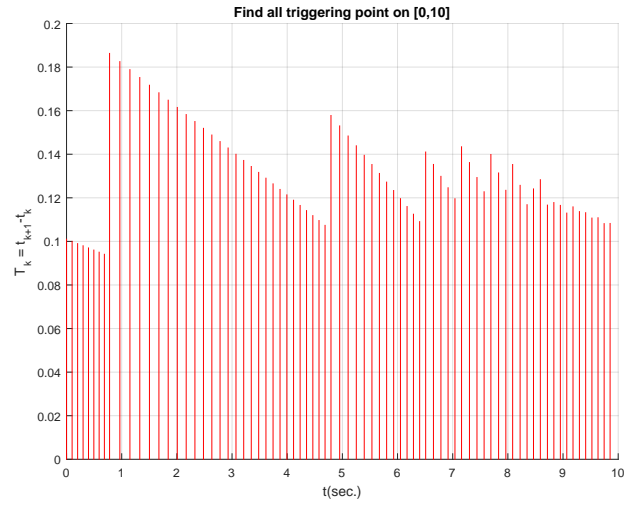


Fig. 1a: Inter-execution times

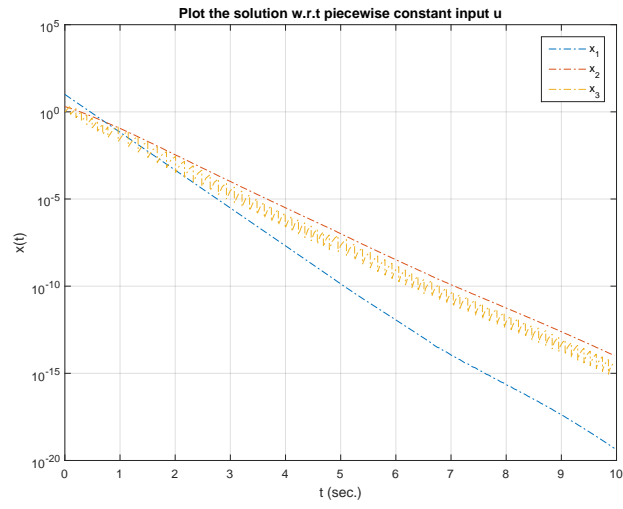


Fig. 1b: State trajectories

Figure 1: Simulation of the controller (3) and (4) for the system (21).

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