COURSE ON LMI OPTIMIZATION WITH APPLICATIONS IN CONTROL PART II.1

LMIs IN SYSTEMS CONTROL **STATE-SPACE METHODS STABILITY ANALYSIS**

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State-space methods

Developed by Kalman and colleagues in the 1960s as an alternative to frequency-domain techniques (Bode, Nichols...) for optimal control and estimation



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Starting in the 1980s, numerical analysts developed powerful linear algebra routines for matrix equations: numerical stability, low computational complexity, largescale problems

Matlab launched by Cleve Moler (1977-1984) heavily relies on LINPACK, EISPACK & LAPACK packages

Matlab toolboxes development during the eighties and explosion for the millenium

- Math and analysis (optimization, statistics, spline...)
- Control (robust, predictive, fuzzy...)
- Signal and image processing (wavelet, identification...)
- Finance and economics (financial, GARCH...)

Linear systems and Lyapunov stability

The continuous-time linear time invariant (LTI) system

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) \quad x(0) = x_0$$

where $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is asymptotically stable, meaning

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} x(t) = 0 \quad \forall \ x_0 \neq 0$$

if and only if

• there exists a quadratic Lyapunov function V(x) = x'Px such that

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

along system trajectories

• or matrix A satisfies

$$\max_{1 \le i \le n} \operatorname{real} \lambda_i(A) < 0$$

Linear systems and Lyapunov stability (2)

Note that V(x) = x'Px = x'(P + P')x/2so that Lyapunov matrix P can be chosen symmetric without loss of generality

Since $\dot{V}(x) = \dot{x}'Px + x'P\dot{x} = x'A'Px + x'PAx$ positivity of V(x) and negativity of $\dot{V}(x)$ along system trajectories can be expressed as an LMI



Linear systems and Lyapunov stability (3)

The Lyapunov LMI can be written equivalently as the Lyapunov equation

$$A'P + PA + Q = 0$$

where $Q \succ \mathbf{0}$

The following statements are equivalent

- the system $\dot{x} = Ax$ is asymptotically stable
- for some matrix $Q \succ 0$ the matrix P solving the Lyapunov equation satisfies $P \succ 0$
- for all matrices $Q \succ 0$ the matrix P solving the Lyapunov equation satisfies $P \succ 0$

The Lyapunov LMI can be solved numerically by solving the linear system of n(n+1)/2 equations in n(n+1)/2 unknowns

 $(A' \oplus A') \operatorname{svec}(P) = (A' \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes A') \operatorname{svec}(P) = -\operatorname{svec}(Q)$

Theorem of alternatives and Lyapunov LMI

Recall the theorem of alternatives for LMI

$$F(\mathbf{x}) = F_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i F_i$$

Exactly one statement is true

- there exists x s.t. $F(x) \succ 0$
- there exists a nonzero $Z \succeq 0$ s.t. trace $F_0 Z \leq 0$ and trace $F_i Z = 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$

Alternative to Lyapunov LMI

$$F(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} -A'P - PA & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & P \end{bmatrix} \succ \mathbf{0}$$

is the existence of a nonzero matrix

$$Z = \left[\begin{array}{cc} Z_1 & 0 \\ 0 & Z_2 \end{array} \right] \succeq 0$$

such that

$$AZ_1 + Z_1 A' - Z_2 = 0$$

Discrete-time Lyapunov LMI

Similarly, the discrete-time LTI system

 $x_{k+1} = Ax_k \quad x(0) = x_0$

is asymptotically stable iff

• there exists a quadratic Lyapunov function V(x) = x'Px such that

$$V(x_k) > 0 \ V(x_{k+1}) - V(x_k) < 0$$

along system trajectories

• equivalently, matrix A satisfies

 $\max_{1\leq i\leq n}|\lambda_i(A)|<1$

This can be expressed as an LMI

$$\exists P \in \mathbb{S}_n : \begin{bmatrix} 1 & A' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P & 0 \\ 0 & -P \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ A \end{bmatrix} & 0 \\ P \end{bmatrix} \succ 0$$

$\ensuremath{\mathcal{D}}$ stability regions

Let $D_i \in \mathbb{C}^{d \times d}$ and

 $\mathcal{D} = \{s \in \mathbb{C} : D_0 + D_1 s + D_1^* s^* + D_2 s^* s \prec 0\}$ be a region of the complex plane



Matrix A is said \mathcal{D} -stable if $\Lambda(A) \in \mathcal{D}$

Equivalent to generalized Lyapunov LMI

$$\exists P \in \mathbb{S}_{n} : \\ \begin{bmatrix} -\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \otimes A' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} D_{0} & D_{1} \\ D_{1}^{\star} & D_{2} \end{bmatrix} \otimes P \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \otimes A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ P \end{bmatrix} \succ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \succ 0$$

Literally replace s1 with $1 \otimes A$ and D with $D \otimes P$!

\mathcal{D} stability regions (2)

- symmetric with respect to real axis
- convex for $D_2 \succeq 0$ or not
- parabolae, hyperbolae, ellipses...
- intersections of $\mathcal D$ regions

A particular case is given by LMI regions

 $\mathcal{D} = \{s \in \mathbb{C} : D(s) = D_0 + D_1 s + D_1^{\star} s^{\star} \prec 0\}$ such as

\mathcal{D}	dynamics
$\operatorname{real}(s) < -\alpha$	dominant behavior
$ s - \alpha < r$	oscillations
$real(s) \tan heta < - imag(s) $	damping cone



Example:

 $D_{0} = \text{diag}(0, \alpha_{1} - r^{2}, -2\alpha_{2})$ $D_{1} = \text{diag}(D_{\theta}, -\alpha_{1}, 1)$ $D_{2} = \text{diag}(0, 1, 0)$ Stability as a quadratic optimization problem

 \mathcal{D} -stability of matrix A can be cast as a quadratic optimization problem (d = 1)

 $\Lambda(A) \subset \mathcal{D}$ iff $\mu > 0$ where

$$\mu = \min_{\substack{q \neq 0 \\ \text{s.t.}}} q^* (A - s\mathbf{1})^* (A - s\mathbf{1})q$$

s.t. $s \in \mathcal{D}^C$

where \mathcal{D}^C complementary of \mathcal{D} in \mathbb{C}

Equivalently, (p = sq)

$$\mu = \min_{q \neq 0} \left[\begin{array}{cc} q^{\star} & p^{\star} \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} A' \\ -1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} A & -1 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{cc} q \\ p \end{array} \right]$$

s.t.
$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} q & p \end{array} \right] D \left[\begin{array}{cc} q^{\star} \\ p^{\star} \end{array} \right] \succeq 0$$

Lyapunov matrix as Lagrangian variable

Define $\mathcal{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

If $\exists P \succ 0$ such that:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} q^{\star} & p^{\star} \end{array}\right] \mathcal{A}' \mathcal{A} \left[\begin{array}{cc} q \\ p \end{array}\right] > \mathsf{tr} \left[\begin{array}{cc} P \left[\begin{array}{cc} q & p \end{array}\right] \mathcal{D} \left[\begin{array}{cc} q^{\star} \\ p^{\star} \end{array}\right] \right]$$

then $\mu^* > 0$ and equivalently

$$D\otimes P-\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A}\prec 0$$

By projection

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ A \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} d_0 P & d_1 P \\ d_1^* P & d_2 P \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ A \end{bmatrix} \prec \mathbf{0} \quad P \succ \mathbf{0}$$

we obtain the generalized Lyapunov LMI

Lyapunov matrix *P* can be interpreted as a Lagrange dual variable or multiplier

Rank-one LMI problem

Define $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathcal{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ Define also dual map

$$F^{D}(P) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{Q} \\ \mathcal{P} \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} d_{0}P & d_{1}P \\ d_{1}^{\star}P & d_{2}P \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{Q} \\ \mathcal{P} \end{bmatrix} = D \otimes P$$

such that trace $F^{D}(P)X = \text{trace } F(X)P$

X is the non-zero rank-one matrix

$$X = xx^{\star} = \left[\begin{array}{c} q \\ p \end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{c} q \\ p \end{array}\right]^{\star} \succeq 0$$

It follows that LMI

$$\mathcal{A}'\mathcal{A} \succ F^D(P)$$
$$P \succ \mathbf{0}$$

is feasible iff $\mu > 0$ in the primal

$$\mu = \min_{\substack{X \neq 0 \\ \text{s.t.}}} \operatorname{trace} \mathcal{A}' \mathcal{A} X$$

s.t. $F(X) \succeq 0$
 $X \succeq 0$
rank $X = 1$

Alternatives for Lyapunov

Define the adjoint map

$$G(Z_1, Z_2) = Z_2 - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_0 Z_1 & d_1 Z_1 \\ d_1^* Z_1 & d_2 Z_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & A \end{bmatrix}'$$

then from SDP duality $\mu > 0$ iff dual LMI

$$\begin{array}{c} G(Z_1,Z_2)=0\\ Z_1\succeq 0 \ \text{ and } \ Z_2\succeq 0\\ \text{ rank } Z_1=1 \end{array}$$

is infeasible

• This is the alternative LMI obtained before so we can remove the rank constraint !

• Adequate alternative proves the necessity for the dual

Uncertain systems and robustness

When modeling systems we face several sources of uncertainty, including

- non-parametric (unstructured) uncertainty
 - unmodeled dynamics
 - truncated high frequency modes
 - non-linearities
 - effects of linearization, time-variation..
- parametric (structured) uncertainty
 - physical parameters vary within given bounds
 - interval uncertainty (l_{∞})
 - ellipsoidal uncertainty (l_2)
 - diamond uncertainty (l_1)
- How can we overcome uncertainty ?
 - model predictive control
 - adaptive control
 - robust control

A control law is robust if it is valid over the whole range of admissible uncertainty (can be designed off-line, usually cheap) Uncertainty modeling

Consider the continuous-time LTI system

 $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) \quad A \in \mathcal{A}$

where matrix A belong to an uncertainty set $\mathcal A$

For unstructured uncertainties we consider norm-bounded matrices

$$\mathcal{A} = \{A + B\Delta C : \|\Delta\|_2 \le \rho\}$$

For structured uncertainties we consider polytopic matrices

$$\mathcal{A} = \operatorname{co} \{A_1, \ldots, A_N\}$$

There are other more sophisticated uncertainty models not covered here

Uncertainty modeling is an important and difficult step in control system design !

Robust stability

The continuous-time LTI system

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) \quad A \in \mathcal{A}$$

is robustly stable when it is asymptotically stable for all $A \in \mathcal{A}$

If \mathcal{S} denotes the set of stable matrices, then robust stability is ensured as soon as

 $\mathcal{A}\subset \mathcal{S}$

Unfortunately S is a non-convex cone !



Robust and quadratic stability

Because of non-convexity of the cone of stable matrices, robust stability is sometimes difficult to check numerically, meaning that

computational cost is an exponential function of the number of system parameters

Remedy:

The continuous-time LTI system $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t)$ is quadratically stable if its robust stability can be guaranteed with the same quadratic Lyapunov function for all $A \in A$

Obviously, quadratic stability is more conservative than robust stability:

Quadratic stability \Rightarrow Robust stability

but the converse is not always true

Quadratic stability for polytopic uncertainty

The system with polytopic uncertainty

 $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) \quad A \in \operatorname{co} \{A_1, \ldots, A_N\}$

is quadratically stable iff there exists a matrix P solving the LMIs

$$A'_i P + P A_i \prec 0 \quad P \succ 0$$

Proof by convexity

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_i (A'_i P + P A_i) = A'(\lambda) P + P A(\lambda) \prec 0$$

for all $\lambda_i \geq 0$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i = 1$

This is a vertex result: stability of a whole family of matrices is ensured by stability of the vertices of the family

Usually vertex results ensure computational tractability Quadratic and robust stability: example

Consider the uncertain system matrix

$$A(\delta) = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 4 \\ -5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \delta \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

with real parameter δ such that $|\delta| \leq \rho$ = polytope with vertices $A(-\rho)$ and $A(\rho)$



Quadratic stability for norm-bounded uncertainty

The system with norm-bounded uncertainty

$$\dot{x}(t) = (A + B\Delta C)x(t) \quad \|\Delta\|_2 \le \rho$$

is quadratically stable iff there exists a matrix P solving the LMIs

$$\begin{bmatrix} A'P + PA + C'C & PB \\ B'P & -\gamma^2I \end{bmatrix} \prec 0 \quad P \succ 0$$

with $\gamma^{-1}=\rho$

This is the bounded-real lemma

We can maximize the level of allowed uncertainty by minimizing scalar γ

Norm-bounded uncertainty as feedback

Uncertain system

$$\dot{x} = (A + B\Delta C)x$$

can be written as the feedback system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bw$$

$$z = Cx$$

$$w = \Delta z$$



so that for the Lyapunov function $V(x) = x^* P x$ we have

$$\dot{V}(x) = 2x^* P \dot{x}$$

= $2x^* P (Ax + Bw)$
= $x^* (A'P + PA)x + 2x^* PBw$
= $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix}^* \begin{bmatrix} A'P + PA & PB \\ B'P & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix}$

Norm-bounded uncertainty as feedback (2)

Since $\Delta^*\Delta \preceq \rho^2 I$ it follows that

$$w^{\star}w = z^{\star}\Delta^{\star}\Delta z \leq \rho^{2}z^{\star}z$$

$$\longleftrightarrow$$

$$w^{\star}w - \rho^{2}z^{\star}z = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix}^{\star} \begin{bmatrix} -C'C & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma^{2}1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix} \leq 0$$

Combining with the quadratic inequality

$$\dot{V}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix}^{\star} \begin{bmatrix} A'P + PA & PB \\ B'P & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ w \end{bmatrix} < 0$$

and using the S-procedure we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} A'P + PA & PB \\ B'P & 0 \end{bmatrix} \prec \begin{bmatrix} -C'C & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma^2 \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix}$$

or equivalently

$$\begin{bmatrix} A'P + PA + C'C & PB \\ B'P & -\gamma^2 1 \end{bmatrix} \prec 0 \quad P \succ 0$$

Norm-bounded uncertainty: generalization

Now consider the feedback system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bw z = Cx + Dw w = \Delta z$$

with additional feedthrough term $\boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{w}$

We assume that matrix $1 - \Delta D$ is non-singular = well-posedness of feedback interconnection so that we can write

$$w = \Delta z = \Delta (Cx + Dw)$$
$$(1 - \Delta D)w = \Delta Cx$$
$$w = (1 - \Delta D)^{-1}\Delta Cx$$

and derive the linear fractional transformation (LFT) uncertainty description

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bw = (A + B(1 - \Delta D)^{-1}\Delta C)x$$

Norm-bounded LFT uncertainty

The system with norm-bounded LFT uncertainty

$$\dot{x} = \left(A + B(1 - \Delta D)^{-1}\right) x \quad \|\Delta\|_2 \le \rho$$

is quadratically stable iff there exists a matrix P solving the LMIs

$$\begin{bmatrix} A'P + PA + C'C & PB + C'D \\ B'P + D'C & D'D - \gamma^2 1 \end{bmatrix} \prec \mathbf{0} \quad P \succ \mathbf{0}$$

Notice the lower right block $D'D - \gamma^2 \mathbf{1} \prec \mathbf{0}$ which ensures non-singularity of $\mathbf{1} - \Delta D$ hence well-posedness

LFT modeling can be used more generally to cope with rational functions of uncertain parameters, but this is not covered in this course..

Sector-bounded uncertainty

Consider the feedback system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bw z = Cx + Dw w = f(z)$$

where vector function f(z) satisfies

$$z^{\star}f(z) \geq 0 \quad f(0) = 0$$

which is a sector condition



f(z) can also be considered as an uncertainty but also as a non-linearity

Quadratic stability for sector-bounded uncertainty

We want to establish quadratic stability with the quadratic Lyapunov matrix $V(x) = x^* P x$ whose derivative

$$\dot{V}(x) = 2x^* P(Ax + Bf(z))$$

= $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ f(z) \end{bmatrix}^* \begin{bmatrix} A'P + PA & PB \\ B'P & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ f(z) \end{bmatrix}$

must be negative when

$$2z^{\star}f(z) = 2(Cx + Df(z))^{\star}f(z)$$

= $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ f(z) \end{bmatrix}^{\star} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & C' \\ C & D+D' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ f(z) \end{bmatrix}$

is non-negative, so we invoke the S-procedure to derive the LMIs

$$\begin{bmatrix} A'P + PA & PB + C' \\ B'P + C & D + D' \end{bmatrix} \prec \mathbf{0} \quad P \succ \mathbf{0}$$

This is called the positive-real lemma

Beyond quadratic stability: PDLF

Quadratic stability:

- arbitrary fast variation of parameters
- computationally tractable
- conservative or pessimistic (worst-case)

Robust stability:

- very slow variation of parameters
- computationally difficult (in general)
- exact (is it really relevant ?)

Conservatism stems from single Lyapunov function for the whole uncertainty set

For example, given an LTI system affected by box, or interval uncertainty

$$\dot{x}(t) = A(\lambda(t))x(t) = (A_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i(t)A_i)x(t)$$

where

$$\lambda \in \Lambda = \{\lambda_i \in [\underline{\lambda}_i, \ \overline{\lambda}_i]\}$$

we may consider parameter-dependent Lyapunov matrices, such as

$$\mathbf{P}(\lambda(t)) = \mathbf{P}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i(t) \mathbf{P}_i$$

Polytopic Lyapunov certificates

Quadratic Lyapunov function $V(x) = x^* P(\lambda)x$ must be positive with negative derivative along system trajectories hence

$$P(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_i P_i \quad P(\lambda) \succ \mathbf{0} \quad \forall \ \lambda \in \Lambda$$

and we have to solve parameterized LMIs

 $A'(\lambda)P(\lambda) + P(\lambda)A(\lambda) + \dot{P}(\lambda) \prec 0 \quad \forall \lambda \in \Lambda$

Parameterized LMIs feature non-linear terms in λ so it is not enough to check vertices of Λ , denoted by vert Λ



 $\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \ge 0 \text{ on vert } \Delta$ but not everywhere on $\Delta = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$

Time-invariant uncertainty and PDLF

Suppose that uncertain parameter λ is constant $\dot{P}(\lambda) = 0$

We must
$$\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n+1)/2}$$
 s.t.

$$F(\boldsymbol{x}, \lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} P(\lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & -A'(\lambda)P(\lambda) - P(\lambda)A(\lambda) \end{bmatrix} \succ 0$$
for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$ = infinite number of LMIs

Lagrangian duality or projection lemma leads to the sufficient condition $\exists N \text{ matrices } P_i \in \mathbb{S}_n \text{ and a matrix } H \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times n}$

$$\begin{aligned} P_i \succ 0 & \forall i = 1, \cdots, N \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & P_i \\ P_i & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} A'_i \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} H' + H \begin{bmatrix} A_i & -1 \end{bmatrix} \prec 0 \end{aligned}$$

A general relaxation procedure

Objective:

Solving a finite number of LMIs instead of an infinite number of LMIs

A sufficient condition to ensure feasibility of the parameter-dependent LMI $F(x, \lambda)$ is

$$F(\boldsymbol{x},\lambda) \succ \left[egin{array}{cc} \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & h(\lambda) \boldsymbol{1} \end{array}
ight]$$
 $h(\lambda) \geq \boldsymbol{0}$

for all $\lambda \in \Lambda$ and $h(\lambda) \in \mathbb{R}[\lambda_1, \cdots, \lambda_N]$

• $h(\lambda)$ is chosen to get LMIs conditions independent from λ

• coefficients of $h(\lambda)$ may be considered as additional variables

Multiconvexity

For

$$h(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_i^2$$

we get the following sufficient conditions

 $\exists N P_i \succ 0 \text{ and } \exists N \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$ $A'_i P_i + P_i A_i \prec -\lambda_i 1 \quad \forall i = 1, \cdots, N$ $A'_i P_i + P_i A_i + A'_j P_j + P_j A_j$ $-(A'_i P_j + P_j A_i + A'_j P_i + P_i A_j) \succeq -(\lambda_i + \lambda_j) 1$ $\forall 1 \le i < j \le N$

which is a finite set of vertex LMIs. Proof is based on multiconvexity of quadratic functions

Nota: multiconvexity of h is ensured if

$$rac{\partial^2 h(x)}{\partial x_i^2} \ge 0 \ \ \forall \ i = 1, \cdots, n$$

Another sufficient condition

For

$$h(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j>i} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)^2$$

we get the following sufficient conditions

$$\exists N P_i \succ 0 A'_i P_i + P_i A_i \prec -1 \quad \forall i = 1, \cdots, N A'_i P_j + P_j A_i + A'_j P_i + P_i A_j \prec \frac{2}{N-1} 1 \forall 1 \le i < j \le N$$

Nota: identical procedures are possible with

$$F(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_i F_i \quad G(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_i G_i$$