

3. Internal Stability & Lyapunov Stability Theorems

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Linear Matrix Inequalities (LMIs)

LMI Definition

A linear matrix inequality (LMI) has the form

$$F(x) \triangleq F_0 + \sum_{i=1}^m x_i F_i \succ 0 \quad (1)$$

- $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is the variable
 - $F_i = F_i^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, i = 0, \dots, m$ are given symmetric matrices
- 1 LMIs can represent a wide variety of convex constraints on x
 - 2 LMIs help us to formulate matrices as optimization variables
 - 3 Multiple LMIs can be expressed as a single LMI

$$F^{(1)}(x) > 0, \dots, F^{(p)}(x) > 0 \iff \text{diag} \left(F^{(1)}(x), \dots, F^{(p)}(x) \right) > 0$$

History of LMI

Many problems arising in systems & control theory can be reduced to a few standard convex or quasiconvex optimization problems with LMIs

Lyapunov Theory (1890)

The differential equation $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t)$ is stable (i.e., all trajectories converge to zero) iff $\exists P = P^\top \succ 0$ s.t.

$$A^\top P + PA \prec 0$$

Important Timelines

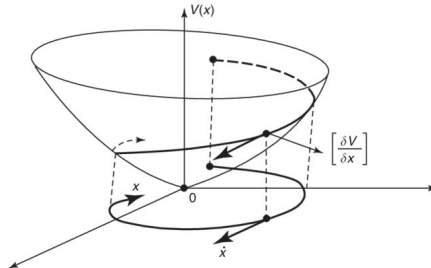
- 1960s - Positive Real Lemma
- 1980s - Interior-point methods for LMIs

Lyapunov Theory

Lyapunov Theory: Investigate about trajectories of $\dot{x} = f(x)$ without solving differential equation (need not compute $\Phi(t, t_0)$).

Lyapunov Theorem (Informal)

If $\exists V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that satisfies some conditions on V and \dot{V} , then trajectories of system satisfy some property. We call such V as the **Lyapunov Function**. V indicates a generalised energy fn. for systems.



Lyapunov Stability of CT-LTV Systems

Consider the CT-LTV system $\dot{x} = A(t)x + B(t)u$, $y(t) = C(t)x + D(t)u$.

Stability in the sense of Lyapunov

- **Marginally Stable:** If $\forall x(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the homogeneous state response $x(t) = \Phi(t, t_0)x_0$, $\forall t \geq 0$ is uniformly bounded.
- **Asymptotically Stable:** If in addition, $\forall x(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we have $x(t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.
- **Exponentially Stable:** If in addition, $\forall x(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\exists c, \lambda > 0$ such that

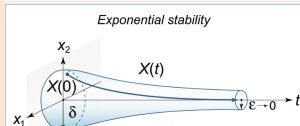
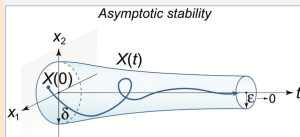
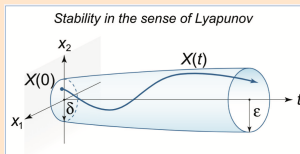
$$\|x(t)\| \leq ce^{-\lambda(t-t_0)} \|x(t_0)\|, \quad \forall t \geq 0$$

- **Unstable:** If it is not marginally stable.

Lyapunov Stability of CT-LTV Systems

Consider the CT-LTV system $\dot{x} = A(t)x$.

Stability in the sense of Lyapunov - Picture



Eigenvalue Conditions for Lyapunov Stability

Eigenvalue Conditions for CT-LTI Systems $\dot{x} = Ax$.

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- **Asymptotically Stable:** Iff $\forall i, \operatorname{Re}[\lambda_i] < 0$.
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- **Unstable:** Iff $\exists i, \operatorname{Re}[\lambda_i] > 0$ or the Jordan blocks corresponding to $\operatorname{Re}[\lambda_i] = 0$ is larger than 1×1 .

Using sub-multiplicative norm property, we have for LTI systems

$$\|x(t)\| = \left\| e^{A(t-t_0)} x_0 \right\| \leq \left\| e^{A(t-t_0)} \right\| \|x_0\| \leq c e^{-\lambda(t-t_0)} \|x_0\|, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

\implies “Asymptotic & exponential stability are equivalent concepts”

Lyapunov Stability Theorem

Consider the CT homogeneous LTI system $\dot{x} = Ax$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Lyapunov Theorem

The following 5 conditions are equivalent

- 1 The CT LTI system is asymptotically stable
- 2 The CT LTI system is exponentially stable
- 3 $\lambda_i(A) < 0, \forall i$
- 4 $\forall Q \succ 0, \exists P \in \mathbb{S}_n^+$ which solves the following Lyapunov equation

$$A^\top P + PA = -Q$$

- 5 $\exists P \succ 0$ for which $A^\top P + PA \prec 0$.

Lyapunov Stability of DT-LTV Systems

Let DT-LTV system be

$$x(t+1) = A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t), \quad y(t) = C(t)x(t) + D(t)u(t).$$

Stability in the sense of Lyapunov

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- **Exponentially Stable:** If in addition, $\forall x(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\exists c > 0, \lambda < 1$ such that $\|x(t)\| \leq c\lambda^{(t-t_0)} \|x(t_0)\|, \quad \forall t \geq 0$.
- **Unstable:** If it is not marginally stable.

Eigenvalue Conditions for Lyapunov Stability

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“A matrix is called **Schur Stable**” if $\forall i, \operatorname{Re}[\lambda_i] < 1$.

Lyapunov Stability Theorem

Consider the DT homogeneous LTI system $x(t+1) = Ax(t)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

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Stability of Locally Linearised Systems

- Consider the CT homogenous nonlinear system $\dot{x} = f(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with an equilibrium point $x^\dagger \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $f(x^\dagger) = 0$.
- Locally linearising system around the x^\dagger with $\delta x = x - x^\dagger$ results in

$$\dot{\delta x} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial f(x^\dagger)}{\partial x}}_{:=A} \delta x. \quad (2)$$

- Original nonlinear system inherits some of the desirable stability properties of (2)

Theorem for Stability of Linearisation

Assume $f \in \mathbf{C}^2$. If (2) is exponentially stable, then $\exists B_{x^\dagger} \subset \mathbb{R}^n, c, \lambda > 0$ such that

$$\|x(t) - x^\dagger\| \leq ce^{-\lambda(t-t_0)} \|x(t_0) - x^\dagger\|, \quad \forall x(t_0) \in B_{x^\dagger}, \forall t \geq t_0. \quad (3)$$

Stability of Locally Linearised Systems

Theorem for Instability of Linearisation

Assume $f \in \mathbf{C}^2$. If (2) is unstable, then $\exists B_{x^\dagger} \subset \mathbb{R}^n, c, \lambda > 0$ such that

$$x(t) \rightarrow \infty, \quad \forall x(t_0) \in B_{x^\dagger}, \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

When linearised system is only marginally stable, the stability of the original nonlinear system **cannot be concluded**. Consider for example,

$$\dot{x} = -x^3 \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{x} = x^3. \quad (4)$$

- Both the systems have the same local linearisation $\dot{\delta}x = 0$ around the equilibrium point $x^\dagger = 0$, which is only marginally stable.
- However, the 1st system is exponentially stable & latter is unstable.

Input-Output Stability

Assume $x_0 = 0$ & study the stability of linear systems under forcing input. Recall for a CT-LTV system, its forced response is given by

$$y_f(t) := \int_{t_0}^t C(t)\Phi(t, \tau)B(\tau)u(\tau)d\tau + D(t)u(t)$$

BIBO Stability

A CT-LTV system is said to be **uniformly BIBO stable** if \forall bounded $u(t)$, $\exists g \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that its forced response $y_f(t)$ satisfies

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}} \|y_f(t)\| \leq g \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}} \|u(t)\|$$

- $u(t)$ is **uniformly bounded** if $\exists c < \infty$ such that $\forall t \geq 0, \|u(t)\| \leq c$.
- g corresponds to **system gain** & different norms lead to different g .

Time Domain BIBO Stability Condition

Equivalent Statements for CT LTV Systems

- ① The CT LTV system is uniformly BIBO stable
- ② All entries of feedthrough matrix $\forall i, j, D_{ij}$ is uniformly bounded and

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}} \int_0^t |g_{ij}(t, \tau)| d\tau < \infty$$

where $g_{ij}(t, \tau)$ marks the entries of $C(t)\Phi(t, \tau)B(\tau)$

Equivalent Statements for CT LTI Systems

- ① The CT LTI system is uniformly BIBO stable
- ② $\forall i, j, D_{ij}$ are uniformly bounded & $g_{ij}(\rho)$ - entries of $Ce^{A\rho}B$

$$\int_0^\infty |g_{ij}(\rho)| d\rho < \infty, \quad \rho = t - \tau$$

BIBO vs Lyapunov Stability

Equivalent Statements - Frequency Domain BIBO Condition

- 1 The CT(DT) LTI system is uniformly BIBO stable
- 2 All poles of transfer function $\mathcal{L}[Ce^{At}B](\mathcal{Z}[Ce^{At}B])$ of CT(DT) LTI system have strictly negative real part (magnitude < 1)

Remark: CT LTI system exponentially stable \Rightarrow it is BIBO stable.
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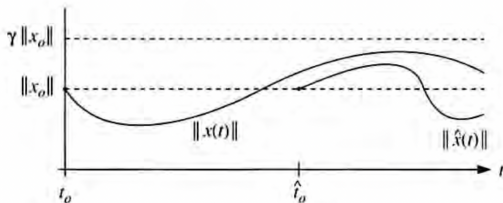
$$\text{Eg., } \dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u, \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x \Rightarrow e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} e^t & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow Lyapunov Unstable. But $Ce^{At}B = e^{-2t} \Rightarrow$ BIBO Stable

Similar Results DT-LTV: $y_f(t) := \sum_{\tau=0}^{t-1} C(t)\Phi(t, \tau+1)B(\tau)u(\tau)d\tau + D(t)u(t).$

Let's dive deeper! - Uniform Stability (US)

- For a LTV system, $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$, $x(t_0) = x_0$, we are interested in bounds on its solutions that hold regardless of choice of t_0 and x_0 .



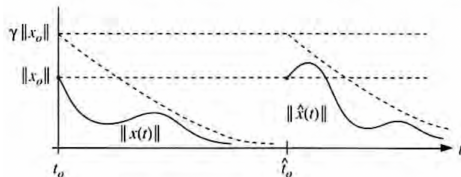
- Study bounds on $\Phi_A(t, t_0)$. But computing $\Phi(t, t_0)$ is not always easy.

Theorem

The LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$ is **uniformly stable** iff $\exists \gamma > 0$ such that $\|\Phi(t, t_0)\| \leq \gamma, \forall t \geq t_0$.

Uniformly Exponential Stability (UES)

- For a LTV system, $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$, $x(t_0) = x_0$, we impose that for all solutions, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) \rightarrow 0$ exponentially.



- Suppose $\exists \alpha > 0$ such that $\forall t, \|A(t)\| \leq \alpha$. Then LTV system is **UES** iff $\exists \beta > 0$ s.t. $\int_{t_0}^t \|\Phi(t, t_0)\| d\sigma \leq \beta, \forall t \geq t_0$ (as $\|\Phi\| \leq 1 + \alpha\beta$).

Theorem

The LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$ is **UES** iff $\exists \gamma, \lambda > 0$ such that

$$\|\Phi(t, t_0)\| \leq \gamma e^{-\lambda(t-t_0)}, \forall t \geq t_0.$$

Sometimes, UES is too much to ask

Consider LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = \frac{-2t}{t^2+1}$. Then

$$\Phi(t, t_0) = \frac{t_0^2 + 1}{t^2 + 1} \quad \implies \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(t, t_0) \rightarrow 0, \forall t_0.$$

But, LTV system is not UES! Suppose, if $\exists \gamma, \lambda > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi(t, \tau)\| &= \frac{\tau^2 + 1}{t^2 + 1} \leq \gamma e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}, \forall t \geq t_0 \\ \implies 1 &\leq \underbrace{(t^2 + 1)\gamma e^{-\lambda t}}_{:=RHS}, t \geq 0, \quad (\text{setting } \tau = 0) \\ \implies 1 &\leq \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} RHS \rightarrow 0, \quad \implies (\text{contradiction!}) \end{aligned}$$

What was wrong with the above example ? **Solutions went to zero but not exponentially.**

Uniformly Asymptotic Stability (UAS)

For a LTV system, $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$, $x(t_0) = x_0$, is called UAS if it is US and $\forall \delta > 0, \exists T > 0$ such that $\forall t_0, x_0$, the solution satisfies

$$\|x(t)\| \leq \delta \|x_0\|, \quad t \geq t_0 + T.$$

FACT: T is independent of t_0 .

Theorem

The LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$ is **UAS** iff it is **UES**.

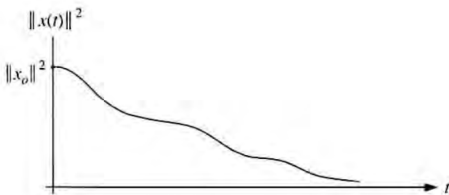
Proof Sketch:

- **UES \implies UAS:** For a given $\delta > 0$, pick T such that $e^{-\lambda T} \leq \frac{\delta}{\gamma}$
- **UAS \implies UES:** Choose $\delta = \frac{1}{2}$ and x_0 such that $\|x_0\| = 1$

Why Lyapunov Theory?

- Computing State Transition Matrix $\Phi(t, t_0)$ is hard in general.
- **Lyapunov's Idea:** Total energy of an unforced dissipative system decreases as system evolves in time. Stability info revealed by energy-like scalar fns of the states $V(x)$. (finding $V(x)$ is hard!).
- Impose conditions for all solutions of $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), x(t_0) = x_0$ to monotonically decrease as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Let $V(x) := \|x(t)\|^2 = x^\top(t)x(t)$.

$$\implies \dot{V}(x) = \dot{x}^\top(t)x(t) + x^\top(t)\dot{x}(t) = x^\top(t) [A^\top(t) + A(t)] x(t)$$



Why Lyapunov Theory?

- If $(A^\top(t) + A(t)) \prec 0, \forall t$, then $\|x(t)\|^2$ decreases as $t \rightarrow \infty$.
- If $\forall t, \exists \nu > 0$ s.t. $(A^\top(t) + A(t)) \preceq -\nu I$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|x(t)\|^2 \rightarrow 0$.
- $V(x) := \|x(t)\|_{Q(t)}^2 = x^\top(t)Q(t)x(t)$ is called quadratic Lyapunov function with $Q(t), \forall t$ being symmetric & continuously differentiable.

$$\implies \frac{d}{dt} [x^\top(t)Q(t)x(t)] = x^\top(t) [A^\top(t)Q(t) + Q(t)A(t) + \dot{Q}(t)] x(t)$$

- Look for bounds on $V(x), \dot{V}(x)$ for stability. For eg., if $\exists \eta > 0$, then

$$Q(t) \succeq \eta I \iff x^\top(t)Q(t)x(t) \succeq \eta \|x(t)\|^2$$

- Study US, UES and Instability using above approach.

Uniform Stability

Uniform Stability - Sufficient Conditions for $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$

The above LTV system is **uniformly stable** if $\exists Q(t) \in \mathbb{S}_n, \forall t$ and $Q(t)$ continuously differentiable such that for a given finite constants $\eta, \rho > 0$,

$$\eta I \preceq Q(t) \preceq \rho I, \quad \text{and} \quad A^T(t)Q(t) + Q(t)A(t) + \dot{Q}(t) \preceq 0$$

$$\implies \|x(t)\| \leq \gamma \|x(t_0)\|, t \geq t_0, \quad \gamma := \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\eta}} \text{ is independent of } t_0, x(t_0).$$

Eg., Consider the LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -a(t) \end{bmatrix} x(t), t \geq t_0$, where

$a(t)$ is a continuous fn $\forall t$. When $Q(t) = I$, we see that sufficient

conditions are satisfied with $\eta = \rho = 1$ and $\dot{V}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2a(t) \end{bmatrix}$. If

$a(t) \geq 0, \forall t$, then LTV system is uniformly stable.

Uniform Exponential Stability (UES)

UES - Sufficient Conditions for $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$

The above LTV system is **UES** if $\exists Q(t) \in \mathbb{S}_n, \forall t$ and $Q(t)$ continuously differentiable such that for a given finite constants $\eta, \rho, \nu > 0$,

$$\eta I \preceq Q(t) \preceq \rho I, \quad \text{and} \quad A^\top(t)Q(t) + Q(t)A(t) + \dot{Q}(t) \preceq -\nu I$$
$$\implies \|x(t)\|^2 \leq \frac{\rho}{\eta} e^{-\frac{\nu}{\rho}(t-t_0)} \|x(t_0)\|^2, \quad t \geq t_0, \quad \text{holds } \forall t_0, x(t_0).$$

Though \exists large family of $Q(t)$ matrices, selecting the best $Q(t)$ so that a LTV system is UES is hard. Previous eg., with $Q(t) = I$ is not UES.

Theorem

Suppose LTV system is UES and $\exists \alpha \geq 0$ s.t. $\|A(t)\| \leq \alpha, \forall t$. Then,

$$Q(t) = \int_t^\infty \Phi^\top(\sigma, t) \Phi(\sigma, t) d\sigma \quad \text{satisfies sufficient conditions for UES.}$$

Instability

- Quadratic Lyapunov fns can be used to develop instability criteria
- If $\exists t$, where sign-definiteness of $Q(t)$ is violated, then LTV system would not be uniformly stable.

Instability - Sufficient Conditions for $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$

Suppose that $\exists Q(t) \in \mathbb{S}_n, \forall t$ and $Q(t)$ continuously differentiable such that for a given finite constants $\rho, \nu > 0$,

$$\|Q(t)\| \leq \rho, \quad \text{and} \quad A^T(t)Q(t) + Q(t)A(t) + \dot{Q}(t) \preceq -\nu I.$$

Suppose $\exists t_a$ s.t. $Q(t_a) \not\preceq 0$, then, LTV system is **not uniformly stable**.

Time-Invariant System

UES(UAS) - Sufficient Conditions for $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t)$

If the system matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ of a LTI system $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t)$ has negative real-part eigenvalues, then $\forall M \in \mathbb{S}_n, \exists!$ solution $Q \in \mathbb{S}_n$ for the **Lyapunov equation** $A^\top Q + QA = -M$ and Q is given by

$$Q = \int_0^\infty e^{A^\top t} M e^{At} dt, \quad \text{and if } M \succ 0 \implies Q \succ 0.$$

For LTI systems, under same setting involving weaker conditions on M , we can have unique positive definite solution for the Lyapunov Eqn.

Additional Stability Results for LTV Systems

- We saw that $\lambda(A(t))$ are indecisive to infer stability of LTV systems.
- But they do give some info. about growth of solution of LTV systems

Upper & Lower bounds for growth of $\|x(t)\|$ of LTV systems

For a LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), t \geq t_0$, denote the largest and smallest point-wise eigenvalues of $A(t) + A^\top(t)$ as $\bar{\lambda}(t), \underline{\lambda}(t)$ respectively. Then, $\forall t_0, x(t_0)$ we have

$$e^{\frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^t \underline{\lambda}(\sigma) d\sigma} \|x(t_0)\| \leq \|x(t)\| \leq e^{\frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^t \bar{\lambda}(\sigma) d\sigma} \|x(t_0)\|, \quad t \geq t_0.$$

Proof involves using **Rayleigh-Ritz inequality**: For any real $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\underline{\lambda} x^\top x \leq x^\top Q x \leq \bar{\lambda} x^\top x, \quad \text{where } \underline{\lambda}(\bar{\lambda}) = \min(\max)\{\lambda(Q)\}.$$

Conservative Stability of LTV Systems Via Eigenvalues

Uniform Stability (US)

The LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), t \geq t_0$ is uniformly stable if $\exists \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ such that the $\bar{\lambda}(A^\top(t) + A(t))$ satisfies

$$\int_{\tau}^t \bar{\lambda}(\sigma) d\sigma \leq \gamma, \quad \forall t, \tau \text{ and } t \geq \tau.$$

Uniform Exponential Stability (UES)

The LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), t \geq t_0$ is uniformly exponentially stable if $\exists \gamma \in \mathbb{R}, \beta > 0$ such that the $\bar{\lambda}(A^\top(t) + A(t))$ satisfies

$$\int_{\tau}^t \bar{\lambda}(\sigma) d\sigma \leq \gamma - \beta(t - \tau), \quad \forall t, \tau \text{ and } t \geq \tau.$$

Many LTV systems don't satisfy US/UES condition (very conservative!).

Stability of Perturbed LTV Systems

Study perturbed LTV systems $\dot{z}(t) = [A(t) + F(t)] z(t)$ that are close in some sense to $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$ which has certain stability property.

Uniform Stability (US)

Suppose that a LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), t \geq t_0$ is uniformly stable. Then, the perturbed LTV system $\dot{z}(t) = [A(t) + F(t)] z(t), t \geq t_0$ is also uniformly stable if $\exists \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\forall \tau$

$$\int_{\tau}^{\infty} \|F(\sigma)\| d\sigma \leq \beta.$$

Uniform Exponential Stability (UES)

Suppose that LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), t \geq t_0$ is UES and $\exists \alpha \geq 0$ such that $\|A(t)\| \leq \alpha$. Then, $\exists \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ such that the perturbed LTV system $\dot{z}(t) = [A(t) + F(t)] z(t), t \geq t_0$ is UES if $\|F(t)\| \leq \beta$.

Stability of Slowly Varying LTV Systems

Definition: Slowly Varying LTV Systems

A LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), t \geq t_0$ with $A(t)$ continuously differentiable, $\exists \alpha, \mu \geq 0$ such that $\|A(t)\| \leq \alpha, \forall t$ and every point-wise eigenvalues of $A(t)$ satisfying $\text{Re}[\lambda(t)] \leq -\mu$ is referred as **slowly varying system**.

UES of Slowly Varying LTV Systems

Suppose that LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), t \geq t_0$ is a slowly varying LTV system. Then, $\exists \beta \geq 0$ such that if the time derivative of $A(t)$ satisfies $\|\dot{A}(t)\| \leq \beta, \forall t$, the slowly varying LTV system is UES.

Reference: C. Desoer, “Slowly varying system $\dot{x} = A(t)x$ ”, IEEE TAC, 1969. <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/1099336>

DT Changes for Stability Analysis

- Explanations smoothly carry over from CT to DT Lyapunov Stability.
- Use $\Phi(k, k_0)$ instead of $\Phi(t, t_0)$
- Use $V(k) = x^\top(k)Q(k)x(k)$ instead of $V(t) = x^\top(t)Q(t)x(t)$.
Subsequently, looking for conditions guaranteeing $\dot{V}(t) < 0$ should change to $V(k+1) - V(k) < 0$.
- Use the DT Lyapunov Equation $A^\top(k)Q(k+1)A(k) - Q(k) \prec 0$ instead of its CT counterpart $QA^\top + AQ \prec 0$.
- Bounds of the form “ $\leq e^{-\lambda t}, \lambda < 0$ ” in the CT will change to “ $\leq \lambda^k, \lambda < 1$ ”.

BIBO vs Lyapunov Stability - DT LTV Systems

Impulse Response of DT LTV system: $g(k, k_0) = C(k)\Phi(k, k_0 + 1)B(k_0)$

UES & Uniform BIBO stability of DT LTV Systems

Suppose that a DT LTV system is

- 1 Uniform BIBO stable $\iff \exists \rho$ s.t. $\sum_{i=k_0}^{k-1} \|g(k, i)\| < \rho, \forall k \geq k_0 + 1$.
- 2 Assume $A(k), B(k), C(k)$ are bounded and both controller and observer Gramians (to be discussed in the next lecture) satisfy the following inequalities for some $\epsilon > 0$ and $l \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$$\mathcal{C}(k-l, k) \succeq \epsilon I, \quad \mathcal{O}(k, k+l) \succeq \epsilon I.$$

Then, DT-LTV System is UES \iff uniform BIBO stability

Why eg., was Lyapunov Unstable in past slide? **Controllability was lost!**

Lyapunov Transformation

*“Are stability properties of LTV system preserved under state variable changes ? **NO** in general. But Lyapunov Transformations do!”*

Definition: A $P(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ that is continuously differentiable & $\exists P^{-1}(t) \forall t$ is called a **Lyapunov Transformation**, if \exists finite $\rho, \eta > 0$ s.t.

$$\|P(t)\| \leq \rho, \quad |\det[P(t)]| \geq \eta, \quad \forall t.$$

Stability Preserved Under Lyapunov Transformation

Suppose that $P(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a **Lyapunov Transformation**. Then the LTV system $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t), t \geq t_0$ is US (UES) iff under the variable change $z(t) = P^{-1}(t)x(t)$, the transformed state equation

$$\dot{z}(t) = [P^{-1}(t)A(t)P(t) - P^{-1}(t)\dot{P}(t)] z(t) \quad \text{is US(UES).}$$