LMI Methods in Optimal and Robust Control

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Lecture 19: Hybrid Systems

Hybrid Systems

Suggested Text 1: Switching in Systems and Controls by Daniel Liberzon

Highly Recommend: One of the best texts in any field

Suggested Text 2:

Hybrid Dynamical Systems: Modeling, Stability, and Robustness by R. Goebel; R. G. Sanfelice; A. R. Teel Link: Chapter 1 Available Online Here



What Are Hybrid Systems?

Classes of Hybrid Systems

State-Dependent Switching

$$\dot{x}(t) = \begin{cases} f_i(x(t)) & x(t) \in X_i \end{cases}$$

Systems with Resets

$$\dot{x}(t) = \begin{cases} f(x(t)) & x(t) \not\in G \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} x_+ = g(x) & x \in G \end{cases}$$

Systems with Logical States

$$\begin{split} \dot{x}(t) &= \begin{cases} f_i(x(t)) & \sigma(t) \in X_i \\ \dot{\sigma}(t) &= \begin{cases} h(\sigma(t)) & x(t) \not\in G \\ \end{cases} \end{split}$$
 and
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Discontinuous Control



Thermostat Control: The Hybrid Model

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Discontinuous Control: The Brockett Integrator

Non-holonomic systems

Unicycle Dynamics:

$$\dot{x} = u_1 \cos \theta$$
$$\dot{y} = u_1 \cos \theta$$
$$\dot{\theta} = u_2$$

- *x*, *y* are the position.
- θ is the angle of the wheel.
- u_1 is the forward force.
- u_2 is the rotation rate.

Pose as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u_1 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Brockett's condition: if

$$\dot{x}(t) = G(x(t))u(t)$$

and $\mathrm{rank}(G(0)) < n$ where $x \in \mathbb{R}^n,$ then there is no asymptotically stabilizing continuous feedback control law

-Discontinuous Control: The Brockett Integrator



Spacecraft Attitude dynamics is another famous case:

- Three torques are required for existence of a continuous controller.
- Discontinuous control makes pointing problems hard.

What Are Hybrid Systems?

A Unified Definition of Hybrid Systems

Definition 1 (Hybrid System).

A hybrid system H is a tuple:

$$H = (Q, E, D, F, G, R)$$

where

- Q is a finite collection of discrete modes, states or indices.
- $E \subset Q \times Q$ is a collection of edges.
- $D = \{D_q\}_{q \in Q}$ is the collection of Domains associated with the discrete states, where for each $q \in Q$, $D_q \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$.
- $F = \{f_q\}_{q \in Q}$ is the collection of vector fields associated with the discrete states, where for each $q \in Q$, $f_q : D_q \to \mathbb{R}^n$.
- $G = \{G_e\}_{e \in E}$ is a collection of guard sets, each associated with an edge. where for each $e = (q, q') \in E$, $G_e \subset D_q$
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Note: Discrete-time systems are a bit tricky

- A hybrid system with no continuous evolution?
- Can we combine discrete and continuous dynamics?
- Where are the guard sets?

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• $F = \{f_1, f_2\}, f_1 = c_w(T_e - T(t)), f_2 = c_w(T_e - T(t)) + c_q.$
• $R = \emptyset$ - No Reset Map.

Bouncing Ball: The Hybrid Model

$$\ddot{x}(t) = -g/m \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -g/m \end{bmatrix}$$

When the ball hit the floor, it bounces back up with coefficient of restitution c.

(Bouncing Ball) We define the hybrid system H_B as: $H_B = (Q, E, D, F, G, R)$ where • $Q = \{1\}$

•
$$E = \{e_1\}, e_1 = (1, 1)$$

•
$$D := \{D_1\}, D_1 = [0, \infty]$$

•
$$G := \{G_1\}, G_{e_1} = \{x : x_1 = 0, x_2 < 0\}$$

•
$$F = \{f_1\}, f_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -g/m \end{bmatrix}.$$

• $R = \{\phi_1\}, \phi_1\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ -cx_2 \end{bmatrix}.$



State-Dependent Switching

General Form

State-Dependent Switching is typically defined by

- A family of dynamical systems, one for each switching region
- A set of regions, defined by switching surfaces

$$\dot{x}(t) = \begin{cases} f_i(x(t)) & x(t) \in D_i \end{cases}$$

In this case, $H = (Q, \emptyset, D, F, \emptyset, \emptyset)$, $Q = \{i\}_{i=1}^k$, $D = \{D_i\}$, $F = \{f_i\}$. Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1\\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1\\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}, & \text{ if } x_1 > x_2 \\ \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0\\ 0 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1\\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}, & \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If $\lambda \in (-1,1)$, the surface $x_1 = x_2$ is stable.



Note: State-Dependent Switching can also be defined by discrete-time dynamics

But this is Rare.

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-State-Dependent Switching



We probably should have defined E, G, and R.

• But this seems pedantic.

State-Dependent Switching

Gain Scheduling and Logical Switching

Several Operating Points:

Time (s)	t1	t2	t3	<i>t</i> ₄	t5	<i>t</i> ₆	t7
$a_1(t)$	1.593	1.485	1.269	1.130	0.896	0.559	0.398
$a_1'(t)$	0.285	0.192	0.147	0.118	0.069	0.055	0.043
$a_2(t)$	260.559	266.415	196.737	137.385	129.201	66.338	51.003
$a_3(t)$	185.488	182.532	176.932	160.894	138.591	78.404	53.840
$a_4(t)$	1.506	1.295	1.169	1.130	1.061	0.599	0.421
$a_5(t)$	0.298	0.243	0.217	0.191	0.165	0.105	0.078
$b_1(t)$	1.655	1.502	1.269	1.130	0.896	0.559	0.398
$b'_1(t)$	0.295	0.195	0.147	0.118	0.069	0.055	0.043
$b_2(t)$	39.988	-24.627	-31.452	-41.425	-68.165	-21.448	-9.635
$b_3(t)$	159.974	170.532	182.030	184.093	154.608	89.853	59.587
$b_4(t)$	0.771	0.652	0.680	0.691	0.709	0.360	0.243
$b_5(t)$	0.254	0.191	0.188	0.182	0.162	0.102	0.072

Table 11.2 Parameter Values at the Seven Operating Points

Dynamics:

$$\begin{split} \dot{x}(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ u(t) &= \begin{cases} K_1 x(t), & \text{if } |x(t)| \leq 1 \\ K_2 x(t), & \text{if } |x(t)| \in [1,2] \\ K_3 x(t), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{split}$$

There can be a large array of gains.

In **Gain Scheduling**, the controller switches depending on operating point.



Often used to control nonlinear systems

• Each controller designed for linearized dynamics at a specific operating point.

State-Dependent Switching

Input Saturation and Queueing

A common source of state-dependent Switching is Input Saturation

Input power is limited: $|u(t)| \leq s$

$$\begin{split} \dot{x}(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ u(t) &= \begin{cases} Kx(t) & |u(t)| \leq s \\ \mathrm{sign}(u(t))Ks & |u(t)| > s \end{cases} \end{split}$$



Another source of switching in congestion control is due to Queueing

- Packets arrive at rate u(t)
- Packets are processed at constant rate c
- Router can't process packets if queue is empty!

$$\dot{x}(t) = \begin{cases} u(t) - c & x(t) \ge 0 \text{ OR } u(t) - c > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



State-Dependent Switching with Reset Maps

The General Form

Recall: H = (Q, E, D, F, G, R). Now, we add in Guard Sets: G_e

- A set of surfaces, typically the boundaries of D_i .
- Dynamics are continuous until we encounter a guard set

$$\dot{x}(t) = \Big\{ f_i(x(t)) \; \; ext{ if } x(t) \in D_i ext{ and } x(t)
ot\in G_{\{i,j\}} ext{ for any } j$$

• For $e = \{i, j\}$, G_e are the points which transition the state from D_i to D_j Reset Maps: ϕ_e

• If $x(t) \in D_i$ and $x(t) \in G_{i,j}$, we reset x to

$$x_+ = \phi_{\{i,j\}}(x)$$

• Thus
$$e = \{i, j\}$$
 implies $\phi_e(x) \in D_j$ for all $x \in D_i \cap G_e$



Recall the Bouncing Ball

What is a solution?

Dynamics are $\ddot{x} = -g$ until we hit the floor...

(Bouncing Ball) Define the hybrid system H_B as:

$$H_B = (Q, E, D, F, G, R)$$

where

- $Q = \{1\}$
- $E = \{(1,1)\}$

•
$$D := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x_1 \ge 0\}$$

•
$$G := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x_1 = 0, x_2 \le 0\}$$

•
$$F = \{ \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ -g \end{bmatrix} \}$$
, i.e. $\dot{x}_1 = x_2$ and $\dot{x}_2 = -g$.

• $R = \phi(x) = [0, -cx_2]^T$. Here, c < 1 is the coefficient of restitution.

When will the ball stop bouncing???





Zeno Equilibria

A Zeno Equilibrium is a point which is attractive, but is not an equilibrium $(f(x_e) \neq 0)$.

The Bouncing Ball vividly illustrates the concept of a Zeno Equilibrium.

• The floor is **NOT** an equilibrium! At $[x_1, x_2] = [0, 0]$

$$f(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ -g \end{bmatrix}$$

• Yet clearly the floor is a stable point





Historical Note: Zeno of Elea (c. 490-430 BC) did not invent hybrid systems.

- Zeno's paradox rather illustrated the need for a concept of limit.
- Mostly irrelevant to Zeno equilibria

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Zeno Equilibria without Resets

Sliding Modes

The concept also applies to switching systems without resets

• Sliding Mode control forces trajectories to a desired Manifold

Consider this simple example (Not Sliding Mode):

$$\ddot{x}(t) = \begin{cases} -c\dot{x} - u & x \ge 0 \ (D_1) \\ -c\dot{x} + u & x \le 0 \ (D_2). \end{cases}$$



Figure: Illustration of Sliding Mode Control

$$f_1(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ -cx_2 - u \end{bmatrix}$$
$$f_2(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ -cx_2 + u \end{bmatrix}$$

The Origin is stable, but is not an equilibrium!

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Define the Solution of a Hybrid System : An Execution

Definition 2 (Hybrid System Execution).

We say that the tuple

$$\chi = (I, T, p, C)$$

where

- $I \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ index the time intervals when the trajectory continuously evolves.
- $T = \{T_i\}_{i \in I}$ are the time intervals when the trajectory continuously evolves: $T_i = (\tau_i, \tau_{i+1}) \subset \mathbb{R}^n_+$ where $T_{i+1} = (\tau_{i+1}, \tau_{i+2})$.
- $p: I \rightarrow Q$ assigns each time interval to a discrete mode.
- $C = \{c_i\}_{i \in I}$ are the trajectories on each time interval $c_i \in C[T_i]$. is an *execution* of the hybrid system H = F(Q, E, D, F, G, R) with initial condition (q_0, x_0) if

1.
$$c_1(0) = x_0$$
 and $p(1) = q_0$.

- 2. $\dot{c}_i(t) = f_{p(i)}(c_i(t))$ for $t \in T_i$ for every $i \in I$.
- 3. $c_i(t) \in D_{p(i)}$ for $t \in T_i$ for every $i \in I$.
- 4. $c_i(au_{i+1}) \in G_{(p(i),p(i+1))}$ for every $i \in I$. (End intervals on the Guard)
- 5. $c_{i+1}(T_{i+1}(1))=\phi_{(p(i),p(i+1))}(c_i(T_i(2)))$ for every $i\in I.$ (Start intervals with a reset)

(Bouncing Ball) For an initial condition $x_0 = [0, v_0]$, the Hybrid Execution is

$$\chi_B = (I, T, p, C)$$



•
$$I = 1, \cdots, \infty$$

•
$$T_i = [\tau_i, \tau_{i+1}]$$
 where $\tau_1 = 0$ and $\tau_{i+1} := \tau_i + \frac{2c^{i-1}v_0}{g}$

•
$$p_i = 1$$

•
$$c_i(t) = c^{i-1}v_0(t-\tau_i) - \frac{1}{2}g(t-\tau_i)^2$$

Zeno Execution: Formal Definition

Note that an execution does not require $\lim_{i\to\infty} \tau_i = \infty$, so the solution may not be defined for all time.

• An execution with infinite transitions in finite time is called Zeno.

Definition 3 (Zeno Execution).

We say an execution $\chi = (I, T, p, C)$ starting from (q_0, x_0) of a hybrid System H = (Q, E, D, F, G, R) is Zeno if 1. $I = \mathbb{N}$ 2. $\lim_{i \to \infty} \tau_i < \infty$

Question: is the bouncing ball a Zeno execution?

$$\tau_i = \sum_{i=1}^i \frac{2v_0}{g} c^{i-1}$$

Taking the limit:

$$\lim_{i \to \infty} \tau_i = \frac{2v_0}{g}c + \frac{2v_0}{g}\frac{1}{1-c} < \infty$$

So this is a zeno execution!

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Zeno Equilibria: Formal Definition

Definition 4 (Zeno Equilibrium).

A set $z=\{z_q\}_{q\in Q}$ with $z_q\in D_q$ is a Zeno equilibrium of a Hybrid System H=(Q,E,D,F,G,R) if it satisfies

- 1. For each edge $e = (q,q') \in E$, $z_q \in G_e$ and $\phi_e(z_q) = z_{q'}$.
- **2.** $f_q(z_q) \neq 0$ for all $q \in Q$.

For any $z\in\{z_q\}_{q\in Q},$ where $\{z_q\}_{q\in Q}$ is a Zeno equilibrium of a cyclic hybrid system $H_c,$

$$\left(\phi_{i-1}\circ\cdots\circ\phi_{0}\cdots\phi_{i}\right)(z)=z$$

For the Bouncing Ball,

 $z = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

is a Zeno Equilibrium.



Zeno Behaviour: Simulation

Zeno Executions are **Notoriously** hard to simulate accurately

- Simulation relies on numerical integration
- But integration must stop when state encounters guard
- As intervals become smaller, this causes BIG problems

There are Specialized Software tools which handle this problem well.

- HyEQ is freely available and reliable
- Executions may still get stuck at Zeno points.

Link: HyEQ Hybrid System Simulator



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Avoiding Zeno with Logical and Hysteresis Switching

Thermostat Control

- A Thermostat uses **Memory** to avoid Zeno behaviour.
 - The thermostat is *binary*.
 - lt is either ON u = 1
 - or OFF u = 0
 - Controls to set point, say $T = 75^{\circ}$.
 - But allows the temperature to vary in a Band $\pm 5^{\circ}$.
 - Avoids Chattering associated with Zeno Executions

Control Logic:

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> u=0
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> elseif u=0 and T<= 70 then
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The Thermostat Model with heating AND cooling

(**Thermostat Control**) To include heating and cooling, redefine H_T as: $H_T = (Q, E, D, F, G, R)$

where

$$\begin{array}{l} \bullet \ Q = \{1,2,3\} \\ \bullet \ E = \{e_1,e_2,e_3,e_4\}, \ e_1 = (1,2), \ e_2 = (2,1), \ e_3 = (1,3), \ e_4 = (3,1), \\ \bullet \ D := \{D_1,D_2,D_3\}, \ D_1 = D_2 = D_3 = [70,80]. \\ \bullet \ G := \{G_1,G_2,G_3\}, \ G_1 = \{G_{e_1},G_{e_3}\}, \ G_2 = \{G_{e_2}\}, \ G_3 = \{G_{e_4}\} \\ G_{e_1} = \{T:T=70,T>T_e\}, \quad G_{e_2} = \{T:T=80\}, \\ G_{e_3} = \{T:T=80,T$$

• $R = \emptyset$ - No Reset Map.

Question: How to verify executions don't leave the domain?

 $-c_c$.