

LMI Relaxations in Robust Control ...

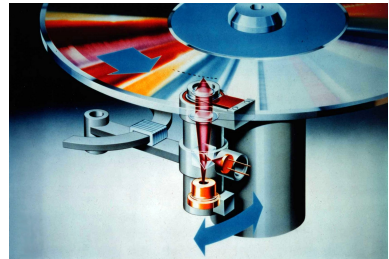
... How to Reduce Conservatism?

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LMI-Problem: Infimize $c^T x$ over

$$W(x) = W_0 + x_1 W_1 + \dots + x_n W_n \prec 0$$

Negative Definite



Exact Convexification in Control

Disturbance Attenuation

Controlled system

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

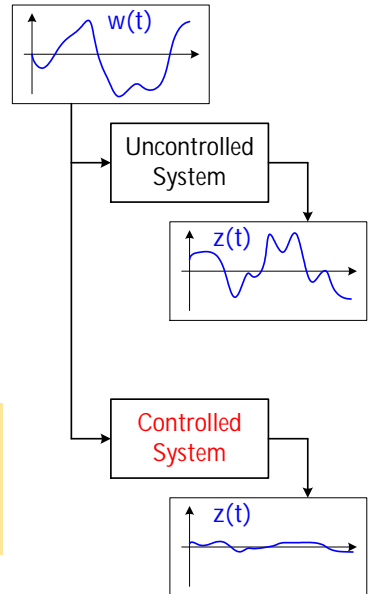
$$z = Cx + Dw$$

with transfer matrix

$$T(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B + D$$

Attenuation level = Infimal γ with

$$\sigma_{\max}(T(i\omega)) < \gamma \text{ for all } \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$

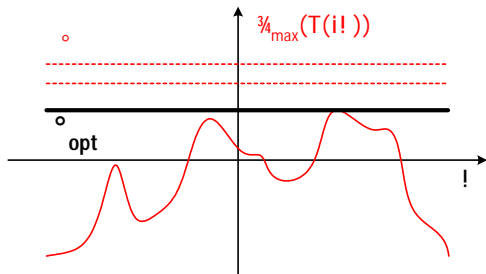


A 40-Year Old Surprise

Non-convex for T



Convex for A, B, C, D



$$\sigma_{\max}(T(i\omega)) < \gamma \text{ for all } \omega \in \mathbb{R}$$



exists X with

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^T X + X A & X B & C^T \\ B^T X & -\gamma I & D^T \\ C & D & -\gamma I \end{bmatrix} \prec 0.$$

Math

Powers, Reznick (00)

Sturm, Zhang (01)

SDP

Karlin, Studden (69)

Nesterov (00)

Alkire,
Vandenberghe (02)

Genin, Hachez, Nesterov,
Van Dooren (03)

Balakrishnan,
Vandenberghe (03)

Signals

Packard, Doyle (93)

Popov (62)

Meinsma, Shrivastava, Fu (97)

Rantzer (96)

Yakubovich (62)

Control

A 20-Year Old Convexification Technique

State-feedback synthesis:

$$\begin{array}{|l} \dot{x} = Ax + Bu + Gw \\ z = Hx \end{array} \quad u = Fx \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{|l} \dot{x} = (A + BF)x + Gw \\ z = Hx \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{|l} \updownarrow \\ \boxed{\boxed{\begin{array}{l} Y = X^{-1} \\ K = FX^{-1} \end{array}}} \longleftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} (AY + BK)^T + (AY + BK) & G & YH^T \\ G^T & -\gamma I & 0 \\ HY & 0 & -\gamma I \end{bmatrix} \prec 0 \end{array}$$

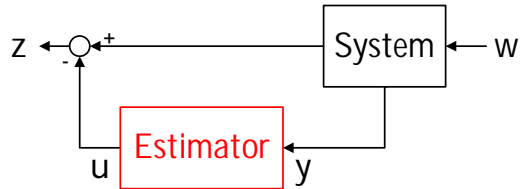
Extensions of Exact Convexification

Output Estimation

Shaked, de Souza (95)

Geromel (99)

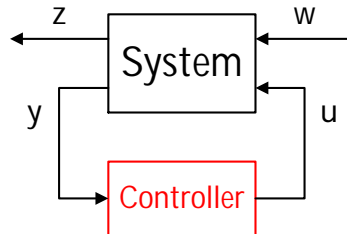
Palhares, Peres (00)



Output Feedback

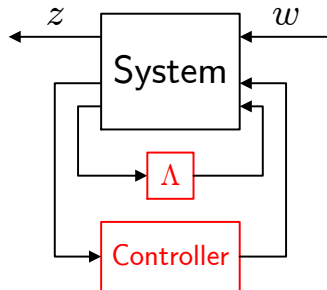
Masubuchi, Ohara, Suda (98)

Scherer, Gahinet, Chilali (97)



Parametric-Dynamic Synthesis

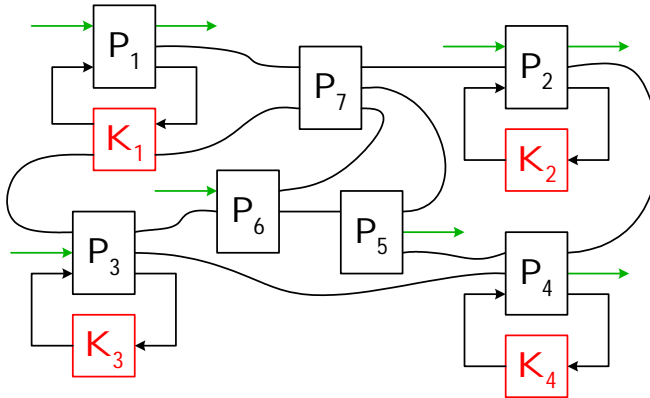
- Interconnection **affine** in finite-dimensional **parameter Λ** .
- Constraints on Λ : LMI's
- Performance spec: LMI's



Find Λ and **controller** satisfying performance spec
→ Standard LMI-problem - efficiently tractable.

Rotstein, Sideris (94), Sznaier (94-98), Scherer (00-02)

Structure



Design of **decentralized** controller components

Objectives on distributed input-output **channels**

Why Does it Fail?

H_∞ -control by **structured** state-feedback:

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 & 0 \\ 0 & F_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

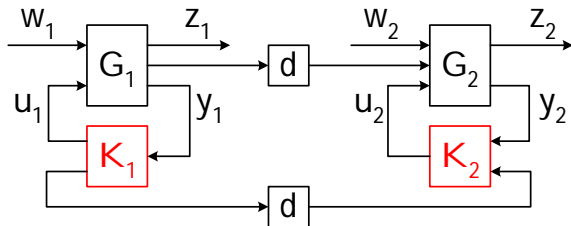
Usual transformation:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & K_{12} \\ K_{21} & K_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 & 0 \\ 0 & F_2 \end{bmatrix} X^{-1}$$

Non-convex constraints on $K \rightarrow$ Correct structure of F .

The Path via Infinite Dimensions

Example: Chain Structures



One-sided delayed information exchange.

- Examples:**
- Platooning or formation flight-control
 - Networked systems

Why distinct from general problem?

Structured Youla-Kucera Parameterization

$$\text{Control channel } \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & 0 \\ G_{21} & G_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \text{Controller } \begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & 0 \\ K_{21} & K_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$$

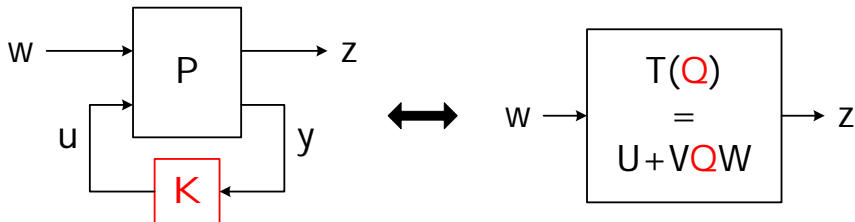
Open-loop stable: Youla-Kucera transformation $K \rightarrow Q$ is

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} Q_{11} & 0 \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} \end{bmatrix}}_Q = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & 0 \\ K_{21} & K_{22} \end{bmatrix}}_K \left\{ I - \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & 0 \\ G_{21} & G_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & 0 \\ K_{21} & K_{22} \end{bmatrix} \right\}^{-1}$$

Triangular structure preserved !

Goodwin et al (99), Voulgaris et al (00,03)

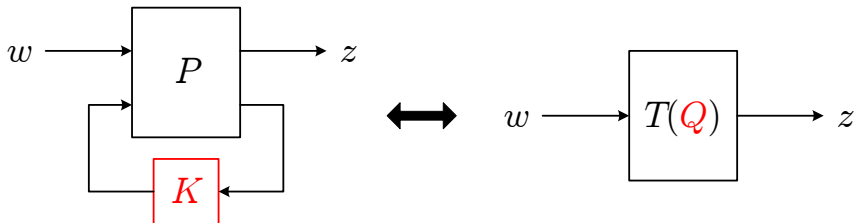
Effect of Youla-Kucera Parameterization



Affine dependence of $T(Q)$ on structured YK parameter:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(Q) &= U + \begin{bmatrix} V_{11} & V_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11} & 0 \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} W_{11} \\ W_{21} \end{bmatrix} = \\
 &= U + \begin{bmatrix} V_{11} & V_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11} \\ Q_{21} \end{bmatrix} W_{11} + V_{12} Q_{22} W_{21}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Structured Model-Matching



Infinite-dimensional optimization problem:

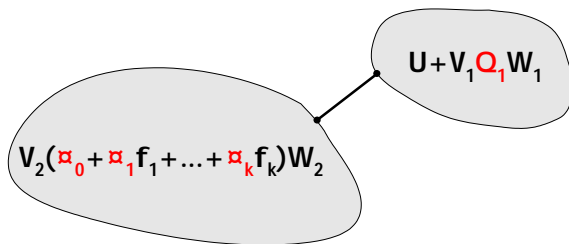
$$\inf_{Q \text{ stable}} \|T(Q)\|_{\infty} = \inf_{Q_1, Q_2 \text{ stable}} \|U + V_1 Q_1 W_1 + V_2 Q_2 W_2\|_{\infty}$$

Computation of Upper Bounds

$f_0(s), f_1(s), \dots, f_k(s)$ with **dense span** in RH_∞ :

$$\inf_{Q_1 \text{ stable}, \Lambda_j} \|U + V_1 Q_1 W_1 + V_2 \left(\sum_{j=0}^k \Lambda_j f_j \right) W_2\|_\infty.$$

Numerical solution: Parametric-Dynamic Synthesis



Computation of Lower Bounds

Transfer matrix inequality

$$\|U + V_1 Q_1 W_1 + V_2 Q_2 W_2\|_\infty < \gamma$$

implies **truncated Toeplitz matrix** inequality

$$\|M_U^l + M_{V_1}^l M_{Q_1}^l M_{W_1}^l + M_{V_2}^l M_{Q_2}^l M_{W_2}^l\| < \gamma.$$

$$F_0 + F_1 \frac{1}{s} + F_2 \frac{1}{s^2} + \dots$$

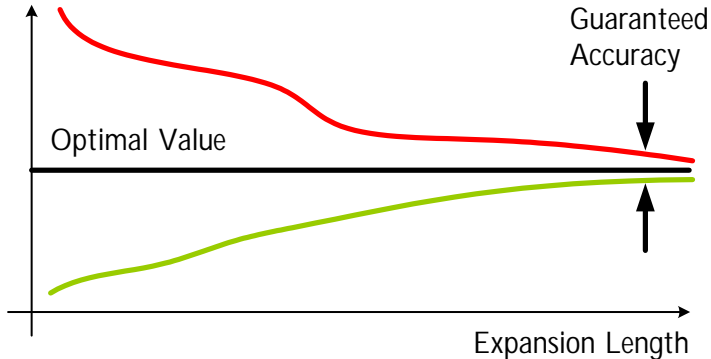
$$\downarrow$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} F_0 & 0 & 0 \\ F_1 & F_0 & 0 \\ F_2 & F_1 & F_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Structured Toeplitz matrix problem solvable with LMI's.

Nontrivial: Prove of convergence.

Scherer (99)

Summary



Techniques applicable to structure in performance.

Price tag: **Controller order high.**

Polynomial Optimization

Parametric Uncertainties

Guarantee that

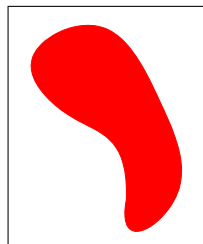
$$\dot{x} = A(\delta)x \text{ **stable** for all } \delta \in \delta.$$

Assumptions

$A(\delta)$ **rational** in δ , parameter set δ **semi-algebraic**.

With polynomials $g_1(\delta), \dots, g_k(\delta)$:

$$\delta = \{\delta \in \mathbb{R}^m : g_1(\delta) \leq 0, \dots, g_k(\delta) \leq 0\}$$



Real Structured Singular Value

Data: Matrix M and block-diagonal structure

$$\Delta(\delta) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 I & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \delta_m I \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with } \delta \in \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^m.$$

Check whether

$$\det(I - M\Delta(\delta)) > 0 \quad \text{for all } \delta \in \mathcal{D}.$$

Positivity of **higher-order polynomial** in $\delta \in \mathcal{D}$.

Polynomial Optimization

With multivariable polynomials $g_0(x), g_1(x), \dots, g_k(x)$:

$$p_{\text{opt}} := \inf_{g_1(x) \leq 0, \dots, g_k(x) \leq 0} g_0(x).$$

Upper bounds ... standard nonlinear optimization.

How to compute **lower** bounds?

Polynomial Optimization

Primal: $p_{\text{opt}} := \inf\{g_0(x) : g_1(x) \leq 0, \dots, g_k(x) \leq 0\}$.

Lower Bound: Lagrange Dual Relaxation

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- When does **equality** $p_{\text{opt}} = d_{\text{opt}}$ hold?
- Can we **compute** d_{opt} ? Sometimes ...

The Quadratic Case

Indefinite quadratic $g_j : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ can be represented as

$$g_j(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix}^T P_j \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with **unique** } P_j = P_j^T.$$

$$g_0(x) + y_1 g_1(x) + \cdots + y_k g_k(x) - t \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\iff P_0 + y_1 P_1 + \cdots + y_k P_k - t \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \succcurlyeq 0.$$

d_{opt} computable with LMI's - **Shor Relaxation (87)**.

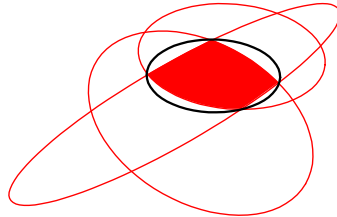
Application: S-Procedure

Problem: Verify whether

$$g_1(x) \leq 0, \dots, g_k(x) \leq 0 \text{ implies } g_0(x) \geq 0.$$

Geometric Problems

Ellipsoidal covering ...

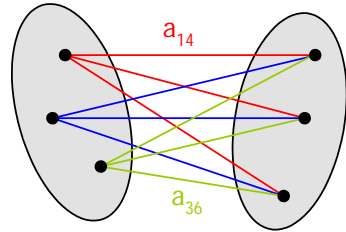


At heart of computing SSV upper bounds for full blocks ...

Boyd, El Ghaoui, Feron, Balakrishan (94)

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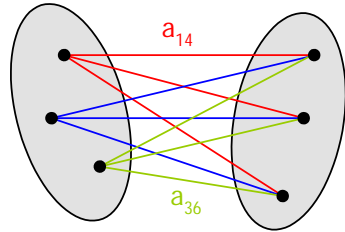


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Goemans, Williamson (95): $d_{\text{opt}} \leq p_{\text{opt}} \leq 0.879 d_{\text{opt}}$

LMI's in combinatorial optimization: Laurent, Rendl (02)

How to Reduce the Relaxation Gap?

A Simple Idea for Improvement

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Higher Order Relaxation

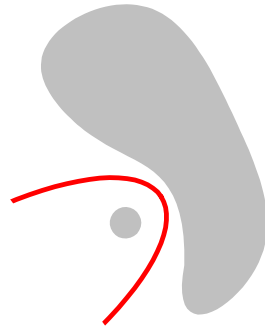
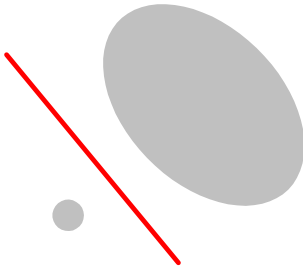
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Sherali & Adams (90), Lovász & Schrijver (91), ...

Geometric Interpretation

Convex: Separation by **linear** functionals



Non-convex: Separation by **quadratic** functionals

Verifying Positivity of Polynomials ?

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Background

Gram Matrix Method: Is p a **sum-of-squares (sos)**:

$$p(x) = p_1(x)^2 + \dots + p_r(x)^2 ?$$

Choi, Lam, Reznick (95) - Powers, Wörman (98)

In control: Chesi, Garulli, Tesi, Vicino (00) - Parrilo (00)

Not all non-negative polynomials are sos.

Hilbert (1888), Motzkin (1969)

Are they **sos** of **rational** functions? Yes.

Artin (1927)



Family of Higher Order Relaxations

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→ Computing lower bound d_{opt} is LMI-problem

→ Reduce $p_{\text{opt}} - d_{\text{opt}}$ by **increasing length** of

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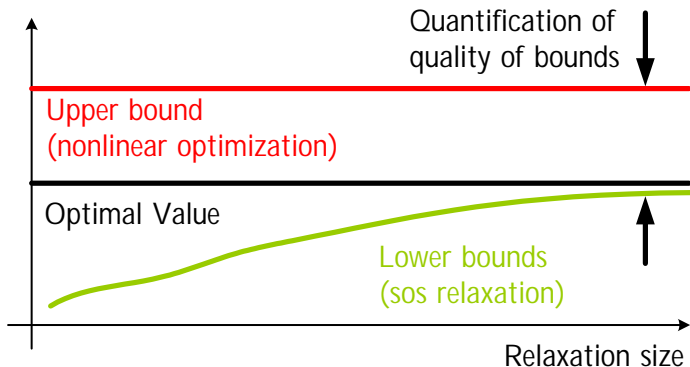
Despite non-convexity

If $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^m : g_1(x) \leq 0\}$ is compact then $p_{\text{opt}} = d_{\text{opt}}$.

Putinar (93), Jacobi, Prestel (00)

Freely available code: Lasserre (01) and Henrion, Lasserre (02)

Summary



Price tag: **Exponential explosion** of problem size.

Surprisingly effective for small-sized problems.

Parrilo, Sturmfels (01)

Robustness Analysis and Synthesis

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... Reduced to Finite Dimensions ...

Restriction to finite-dimensional subspace:

Search in span of $\{X_1(\delta), \dots, X_n(\delta)\}$.

Find x_1, \dots, x_n such that

$$A(\delta)^T \left(\sum_{j=1}^n x_j X_j(\delta) \right) A(\delta) - \sum_{j=1}^n x_j X_j(\delta) \prec 0$$

for all $\delta \in \delta$.

... Subsumed to Robust LMI Problem

$W(x)$ affine, $F(\delta)$ nonlinear.

Infimize $c^T x$ over the **robust LMI-constraint**

$$\begin{bmatrix} F(\delta) \\ I \end{bmatrix}^T W(x) \begin{bmatrix} F(\delta) \\ I \end{bmatrix} \prec 0 \text{ for all } \delta \in \mathcal{D}.$$

Looks pretty special ...

... is very general !

Robust Synthesis

State-feedback synthesis:

$$x_{t+1} = A(\delta)x_t + B(\delta)u_t \quad \xrightarrow{u_t = Fx_t} \quad x_{t+1} = [A(\delta) + B(\delta)F]x_t$$

Usual Transformation for **general** $X(\delta)$:

$$[A(\delta) + B(\delta)F]X(\delta) \quad \xrightarrow{K(\delta) = FX(\delta)} \quad A(\delta)X(\delta) + B(\delta)K(\delta)$$

Gain is **parameter-dependent**: $F(\delta) = K(\delta)X(\delta)^{-1}$.

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Usual Transformation for **constant** X :

$$[A(\delta) + B(\delta)F]X \quad \xrightarrow{K = FX} \quad A(\delta)X + B(\delta)K$$

Introduces conservatism.

Redundant Variables

$x_{t+1} = Ax_t$ **stable** iff exists $X \succ 0$ with

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -X & 0 \\ 0 & X \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ A^T \end{bmatrix} = AXA^T - X \prec 0.$$

Equivalent reformulation: Exists X and G with

$$\begin{bmatrix} -X & 0 \\ 0 & X \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} A \\ -I \end{bmatrix} G \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} I \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} G^T \begin{bmatrix} -I & A^T \end{bmatrix} \prec 0.$$

de Oliveira, Bernussou, Geromel (99)

Peaucelle, Arzelier, Bachelier, Bernussou (00), Daafouz et al. (02)

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Choose **constant** G . Transform $K = FG$.

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State-feedback synthesis:

$$x_{t+1} = A(\delta)x_t + B(\delta)u_t \quad \xrightarrow{u_t = Fx_t} \quad x_{t+1} = [A(\delta) + B(\delta)F]x_t$$

Search K , $X(\delta)$, G with

$$\begin{bmatrix} -X(\delta) & 0 \\ 0 & X(\delta) \end{bmatrix} + \text{sym} \begin{bmatrix} A(\delta)G + B(\delta)K & 0 \\ -G & 0 \end{bmatrix} \prec 0.$$

Results in robust LMI problem for **general** $X(\delta)$.

Often less conservative than **quadratic stability**.

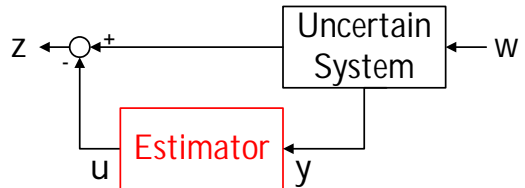
Where Does it Apply?

Robust Estimation

Palhares, Peres (00)

Barbosa, de Souza, Trofino (02)

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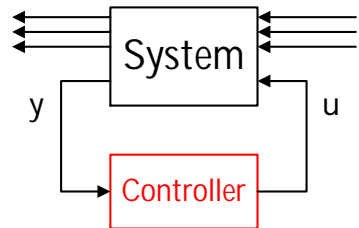


Multi-Objective Control

de Oliveira, Geromel, Bernussou (99)

Apkarian, Pellanda, Tuan (02)

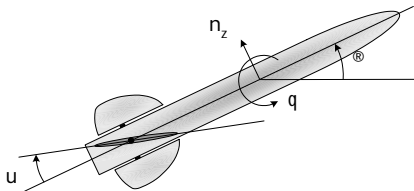
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Robust output-feedback ? ... No !

LPV Analysis and Synthesis

High-Performance Aircraft System



u : Control input

α : Measurable parameter

n_z : Tracked output

Nonlinear system description with aerodynamic effects:

$$\dot{\alpha} = KM \left[(a_n \alpha^2 + b_n \alpha + c_n (2 - M/3)) \alpha + d_n \delta \right] + q$$

$$\dot{q} = M^2 \left[(a_m \alpha^2 + b_m \alpha - c_m (7 - 8M/3)) \alpha + d_m \delta \right]$$

$$n_z = M^2 \left[(a_n \alpha^2 + b_n \alpha + c_n (2 - M/3)) \alpha + d_n \delta \right]$$

Main Idea

Rewrite as **linear parameter-varying system**

$$\dot{\alpha} = K \pi_1 \left[(a_n \pi_2^2 + b_n \pi_2 + c_n (2 - \pi_1/3)) \alpha + d_n \delta \right] + q$$

$$\dot{q} = \pi_1^2 \left[(a_m \pi_2^2 + b_m \pi_2 - c_m (7 - 8\pi_1/3)) \alpha + d_m \delta \right]$$

$$n_z = \pi_1^2 \left[(a_n \pi_2^2 + b_n \pi_2 + c_n (2 - \pi_1/3)) \alpha + d_n \delta \right]$$

with bounds $2 \leq \pi_1(t) \leq 4$ and $-20 \leq \pi_2(t) \leq 20$.

Good control of linear parameter-varying system

→ Good control of nonlinear system

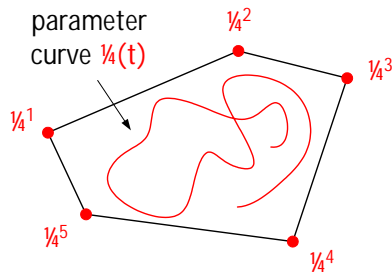
Linear **P**arameter **V**arying Systems

LPV system

$$\dot{x}(t) = A(\pi(t))x(t)$$

with value & velocity bounds

$$\pi(t) \in \Pi, \quad \dot{\pi}(t) \in \Phi.$$



Uniform exponential stability if exists $X(\pi)$ with

$$\sum_j \partial_j X(\pi) \phi_j + A(\pi)^T X(\pi) + X(\pi) A(\pi) \prec 0$$

for all $\delta = (\pi, \phi) \in \Pi \times \Phi$.

Performance

L_2 -gain smaller than γ ... for LPV system

$$\dot{x}(t) = A(\pi(t))x(t) + B(\pi(t))w(t)$$

$$z(t) = C(\pi(t))x(t) + D(\pi(t))w(t)$$

Check existence of $X(\pi)$ with

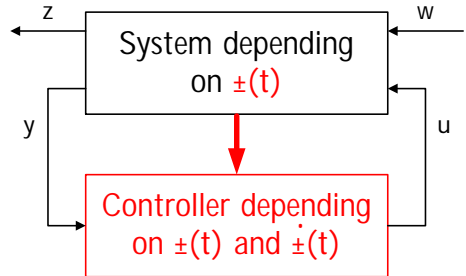
$$\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ A(\pi) & B(\pi) \\ 0 & I \\ C(\pi) & D(\pi) \end{bmatrix}^T \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} \sum_j \partial_j X(\pi) \phi_j & X(\pi) & 0 & 0 \\ X(\pi) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & -\gamma^2 I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & I \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ A(\pi) & B(\pi) \\ 0 & I \\ C(\pi) & D(\pi) \end{bmatrix} \prec 0$$

for all $\delta = (\pi, \phi) \in \Pi \times \Phi$.

LPV Output-Feedback Synthesis

Controller fed with on-line measurements of $\delta(t)$, $\dot{\delta}(t)$

Can minimize L_2 -gain.



$\delta(t)$ = Component of state \longrightarrow Nonlinear controller

Wu, Yang, Packard, Becker (95), Apkarian, Adams (98), ...

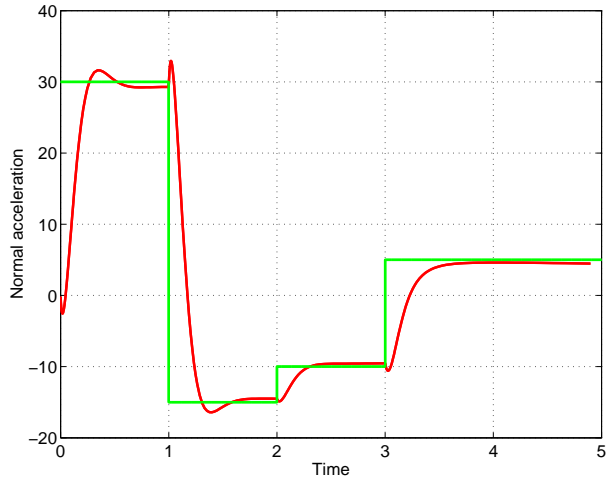
Application to Aircraft Model

$M(t)$ decreases in 5 seconds from 4 to 2.

**Normal
acceleration**

Reference

Response



How to Solve Robust LMI Problems ?

Robust LMI Problem

Infimize $c^T x$ over the robust LMI-constraint

$$\begin{bmatrix} F(\delta) \\ I \end{bmatrix}^T W(x) \begin{bmatrix} F(\delta) \\ I \end{bmatrix} \prec 0 \text{ for all } \delta \in \mathcal{D}.$$

Many parameters, general nonlinear $F(\delta)$:

Probabilistic techniques. No guarantees with certainty.

Khargonekar, Tikku (96), Tempo et al. (97), Polyak, Tempo (01)

Remainder: Few parameters, rational $F(\delta)$.

Linear Fractional Representation

Let $F(\delta)$ be **rational** in δ without pole at zero.

Can **construct** A, B, C, D such that

$$F(\delta) = D + C\Delta(\delta) (I - A\Delta(\delta))^{-1} B$$

with

$$\Delta(\delta) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 I_1 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \delta_k I_k \end{bmatrix}.$$

Covers higher-order polynomials ...

Full-Block S-Procedure

Exact reformulation of robust LMI problem:

Infimize $c^T x$ over all x, P with

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta(\delta) \\ I \end{bmatrix}^T P \begin{bmatrix} \Delta(\delta) \\ I \end{bmatrix} \succ 0 \text{ for all } \delta \in \mathcal{D}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ A & B \end{bmatrix}^T P \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ A & B \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}^T W(x) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \prec 0.$$

Iwasaki, Shibata (01), Scherer (01)

Numerical Implementation

Trouble: No description of set of **all** multipliers P with

$$L(\delta, P) := \begin{bmatrix} \Delta(\delta) \\ I \end{bmatrix}^T P \begin{bmatrix} \Delta(\delta) \\ I \end{bmatrix} \succ 0 \text{ for all } \delta \in \delta.$$

Parameter set finitely generated: $\delta = \text{con} \{ \delta_1, \dots, \delta_N \}$

Need to guarantee:

$$L(\lambda_1 \delta_1 + \dots + \lambda_N \delta_N, P) \succ 0 \text{ for } \lambda \in \text{standard simplex.}$$

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Sufficient: Coefficients positive definite.

A Novel Path to Exactness

Replace by **sufficient** LMI condition:

$$[\lambda_1 + \cdots + \lambda_N]^d L(\lambda_1 \delta_1 + \cdots + \lambda_N \delta_N, P)$$

has positive definite **coefficients**.

New Generalization of Polya's Theorem

There exists d such that LMI condition is **necessary**.

Relaxation family to compute **upper bounds**: $d = 0, 1, \dots$

Guaranteed to be **asymptotically exact**.

Test Exactness on the Way

Let U be Lagrange optimal Lagrange multiplier for

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ A & B \end{bmatrix}^T P \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ A & B \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}^T W(x) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \prec 0.$$

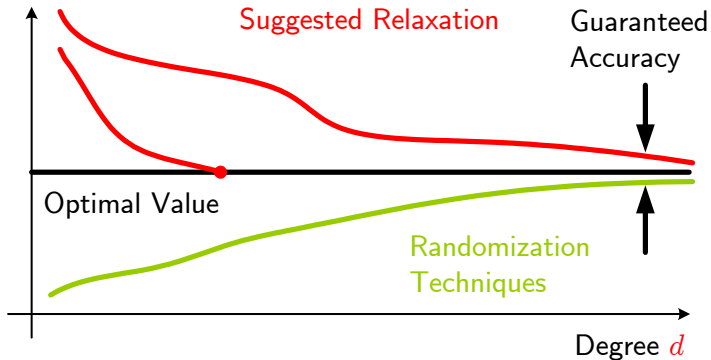
Relaxation is **not conservative** if

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & -\Delta_0 \\ I & -\Delta_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ A & B \end{bmatrix} U = 0 \text{ has a solution } \Delta_0 \in \Delta.$$

Easily verifiable in practice.

Central path-following techniques **guarantee** success!

Summary



Price tag: **Exponential explosion** of problem size.

Only available technique to arbitrarily reduce conservatism.

Conclusions

Tried to highlight

... paths for (arbitrarily) reducing conservatism

... yet unsurmountable difficulties

Exists strong need to

... exploit **system theoretic structure** in computations

... construct **efficient recursive relaxation** schemes