

Homework Solutions

Nonlinear and Adaptive Control

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Problem 1

Consider the system defined by the following equations:

$$\dot{x}_1 = \frac{2}{3}x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)$$

- (a) Show that the points defined by (i) $x = (0, 0)$ and (ii) $1 - (3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) = 0$ are invariant sets.
- (b) Study the stability of the origin and the invariant set $1 - (3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) = 0$, respectively, using LaSalle's Invariant Theorem.

Theorem (LaSalle)

For autonomous system

$$\dot{x} = f(x) \tag{1}$$

where $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a continuous and differentiable function, $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a field containing the origin. Suppose that

- $\Omega \subset D$ is a compact positive invariant set;
- $V : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous and differentiable function, and $\dot{V}(x) \leq 0, \forall x \in \Omega$;
- $E = \{x \in \Omega : \dot{V}(x) = 0\}$;
- M is the largest invariant set in E .

Then every solution starting in Ω approaches M as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Problem 1 (a)

Consider the system defined by the following equations:

$$\dot{x}_1 = \frac{2}{3}x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)$$

(a) Show that the points defined by (i) $x = (0, 0)$ and (ii) $1 - (3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) = 0$ are invariant sets.

Solution: For (i), $x = (0, 0)$ implies that the system equation becomes

$$\dot{x}_1 = 0$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = 0$$

Hence, if we have $x(0) = 0, t = t_0$, then $\forall t \geq t_0, x(t) \equiv 0$. Therefore, $x = (0, 0)$ is an invariant set.

Problem 1 (a) (Cont.)

Consider the system defined by the following equations:

$$\dot{x}_1 = \frac{2}{3}x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)$$

(a) Show that the points defined by (i) $x = (0, 0)$ and (ii) $1 - (3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) = 0$ are invariant sets.

Solution: For (ii), the system equation becomes

$$\dot{x}_1 = \frac{2}{3}x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_1$$

Consider function $f(x_1, x_2) = 3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2$, we have

$$\dot{f} = 6x_1\dot{x}_1 + 4x_2\dot{x}_2 = 0$$

integrating both sides yields

$$f(x_1, x_2) = 3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 \equiv 1, \forall t \geq t_0$$

which implies that any trajectory starting at (x_1, x_2) that satisfies $1 - (3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) = 0$ stays on this trajectory function. Therefore, $1 - (3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) = 0$ is an invariant set.

Problem 1 (b)

Consider the system defined by the following equations:

$$\dot{x}_1 = \frac{2}{3}x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)$$

- (b) Study the stability of the origin and the invariant set $1 - (3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) = 0$, respectively, using LaSalle's Invariant Theorem.

Solution: For the origin, consider $V(x) = \frac{3}{4}x_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}x_2^2$. Its derivative along the trajectory is

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V}(x) &= \frac{3}{2}x_1\dot{x}_1 + x_2\dot{x}_2 \\ &= x_1x_2 + x_2(-x_1 + x_2(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)) \\ &= x_2^2(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)\end{aligned}$$

which is positive definite in the neighborhood of origin. Therefore, **the origin is not stable**.

Problem 1 (b) (Cont.)

Consider the system defined by the following equations:

$$\dot{x}_1 = \frac{2}{3}x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)$$

- (b) Study the stability of the origin and the invariant set $1 - (3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) = 0$, respectively, using LaSalle's Invariant Theorem.

Solution: For the invariant set $S = \{(x_1, x_2) | 3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 = 1\}$, consider $V(x) = \frac{1}{8}(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)^2$. Its derivative along the trajectory is

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V}(x) &= \frac{1}{4}(3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 1)(6x_1\dot{x}_1 + 4x_2\dot{x}_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 1)(-4x_2^2(3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 1)) \\ &= -x_2^2(3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 1)^2 \leq 0\end{aligned}$$

Note

V evaluates the “distance” from the limit cycle. Note that V need not to be positive definite.

Problem 1 (b) (Cont.)

Consider the system defined by the following equations:

$$\dot{x}_1 = \frac{2}{3}x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_1 + x_2(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)$$

- (b) Study the stability of the origin and the invariant set $1 - (3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) = 0$, respectively, using LaSalle's Invariant Theorem.

Solution:

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{8}(1 - 3x_1^2 - 2x_2^2)^2, \quad \dot{V}(x) = -x_2^2(3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 1)^2 \leq 0$$

Consider $\Omega_C = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid V(x) \leq c\}$. We know from the derivative above that it's an invariant set.

Then consider $E = \{x \in \Omega_C \mid \dot{V} = 0\}$, We have $E = S \cup \{x \in \Omega_C \mid x_2 = 0\}$.

Define M as the largest invariant set in E , i.e. $M = S \cup (0, 0)$.

Choose $c \in (0, \frac{1}{8})$, Ω_C includes the ellipse but not the origin. Then LaSalle's Theorem shows that every motion initiating in Ω_C converges to the limit cycle, and therefore S is **stable**.

Note

Choose $c = \frac{1}{8} - \varepsilon$, where $\varepsilon > 0$ is an arbitrarily small number, we can show that states initiating in any neighborhood of the origin will not approach the origin, which also implies that the origin is not stable.

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Problem 2

It is known that a given dynamical system with the state $x = (x_1, x_2)$ has an equilibrium point at the origin. For this system, a function $V(\cdot)$ have been proposed, and its derivative $\dot{V}(\cdot)$ has been computed. Assuming that $V(\cdot)$ and $\dot{V}(\cdot)$ are given below you are asked to classify the origin, in each case, as (a) stable, (b) locally uniformly asymptotically stable, and/or (c) globally uniformly asymptotically stable. Explain you answer in each case.

(i) $V(x, t) = x_1^2 + x_2^2, \dot{V}(x, t) = -x_1^2.$

(ii) $V(x, t) = x_1^2 + x_2^2, \dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^{-t}.$

(iii) $V(x, t) = x_1^2 + x_2^2, \dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^t.$

(iv) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^t, \dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + \sin^2 t).$

(v) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^{-t}, \dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2).$

(vi) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + e^{-t}), \dot{V}(x, t) = -x_1^2e^{-t}.$

(vii) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + \cos^2 t), \dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^{-t}.$

(viii) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + \cos^2 t), \dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + e^{-t}).$

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(i) $V(x, t) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$, $\dot{V}(x, t) = -x_1^2$.

Solution: Let $W_1(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$ and $W_2(x) = 2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2$, we have

$$W_1(x) = V(x, t) \leq W_2(x), \quad \dot{V}(x, t) \leq 0.$$

Thus, V is positive definite and decrescent, and \dot{V} is negative semidefinite.

If $x_1 = 0, x_2 \neq 0$, then $\dot{V} = 0$, while any positive definite function has a positive value. Hence, we cannot find a proper positive definite function $W_3(x)$ such that $\dot{V}(x, t) \leq -W_3(x)$.

Therefore, the origin is **(uniformly) stable**.

(ii) $V(x, t) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$, $\dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^{-t}$.

Solution: Let $W_1(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$ and $W_2(x) = 2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2$. Analogous to (i), V is positive definite and decrescent, and \dot{V} is negative semidefinite.

Note that $\dot{V}(x, t)$ can become arbitrarily small when t is sufficiently large. Hence we cannot find a proper positive definite function $W_3(x)$ such that $\dot{V}(x, t) \leq -W_3(x)$.

Therefore, the origin is **(uniformly) stable**.

(iii) $V(x, t) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$, $\dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^t$.

Solution: Let $W_1(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$, $W_2(x) = 2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2$, and $W_3(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$, we have

$$W_1(x) = V(x, t) \leq W_2(x), \quad \dot{V}(x, t) \leq -W_3(x).$$

Additionally, $W_1(x)$ is radially unbounded. Therefore, the origin is **globally uniformly asymptotically stable**.

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(iv) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^t$, $\dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + \sin^2 t)$.

Solution: Choose $W_1(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$. We see that $V(x, t) \geq W_1(x)$, which implies that V is positive definite. Choose $W_3(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$, we also have $\dot{V}(x, t) \leq -W_3(x)$, which implies that \dot{V} is negative definite. However, V is not decreasing since as $t \rightarrow \infty$, $V(x, t) \rightarrow \infty$.

We then consider the function

$$V'(x, t) = V(x, t)e^{-t} = x_1^2 + x_2^2$$

Thus we have $W_1(x) \triangleq x_1^2 + x_2^2 = V'(x, t) \leq 2(x_1^2 + x_2^2) \triangleq W_2(x)$. And the derivative should be

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V}'(x, t) &= \dot{V}(x, t)e^{-t} - V(x, t)e^{-t} \\ &= -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + \sin^2 t)e^{-t} - (x_1^2 + x_2^2) \\ &\leq -(x_1^2 + x_2^2) \triangleq -W_3(x).\end{aligned}$$

With $W_1(x)$ radially unbounded, we conclude that the origin is **globally uniformly asymptotically stable**.

Note

The Lyapunov stability theorem is only sufficient!

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(v) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^{-t}$, $\dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)$.

Solution: We cannot find a positive definite function $W_1(x)$ such that $V(x, t) \geq W_1(x)$, which shows $V(x, t)$ is positive definite.

Consider a new Lyapunov function $V'(x, t) = V(x, t)e^t = x_1^2 + x_2^2$. Analogous to (iv), it's positive definite and decrescent, and its derivative should be

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V}'(x, t) &= \dot{V}(x, t)e^t + V(x, t)e^t \\ &= (x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 - e^t) \leq 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the origin is **uniformly stable**.

Note

The Lyapunov stability theorem is only sufficient!

(vi) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + e^{-t})$, $\dot{V}(x, t) = -x_1^2e^{-t}$.

Solution: Let $W_1(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$ and $W_2(x) = 2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2$, and then we have

$$W_1(x) \leq V(x, t) \leq W_2(x), \quad \dot{V}(x, t) \leq 0.$$

Analogous to (i), we cannot find a proper positive definite function $W_3(x)$ such that $\dot{V}(x, t) \leq -W_3(x)$. Therefore, the origin is **(uniformly) stable**.

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(vii) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + \cos^2 t)$, $\dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)e^{-t}$.

Let $W_1(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$ and $W_2(x) = 2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2$, and then we have

$$W_1(x) \leq V(x, t) \leq W_2(x), \quad \dot{V}(x, t) \leq 0.$$

Analogous to (ii), we cannot find a proper positive definite function $W_3(x)$ such that $\dot{V}(x, t) \leq -W_3(x)$. Therefore, the origin is **(uniformly) stable**.

(viii) $V(x, t) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + \cos^2 t)$, $\dot{V}(x, t) = -(x_1^2 + x_2^2)(1 + e^{-t})$.

Let $W_1(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$, $W_2(x) = 2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2$, $W_3(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$ and then we have

$$W_1(x) \leq V(x, t) \leq W_2(x), \quad \dot{V}(x, t) \leq -W_3(x).$$

With $W_1(x)$ radially unbounded, we conclude that the origin is **globally uniformly asymptotically stable**.

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Problem 3

A pendulum with time-varying friction is represented by

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -\sin x_1 - g(t)x_2.\end{aligned}$$

Suppose that $g(t)$ is continuously differentiable and satisfies

$$0 < a < \alpha \leq g(t) \leq \beta < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{g}(t) \leq \gamma < 2$$

for all $t \geq 0$. Consider the Lyapunov function candidate

$$V(t, x) = \frac{1}{2}(a \sin x_1 + x_2)^2 + [1 + ag(t) - a^2](1 - \cos x_1)$$

- (a) Show that $V(t, x)$ is positive definite and decrescent.
- (b) Show that

$$\dot{V} \leq -(\alpha - a)x_2^2 - a(2 - \gamma)(1 - \cos x_1) + O(\|x\|^3),$$

where $O(\|x\|^3)$ is a term bounded by $k\|x\|^3$ in some neighborhood of the origin.

- (c) Show that the origin is uniformly asymptotically stable.

Problem 3 (a)

A pendulum with time-varying friction is represented by

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for all $t \geq 0$. Consider the Lyapunov function candidate

$$V(t, x) = \frac{1}{2}(a \sin x_1 + x_2)^2 + [1 + ag(t) - a^2](1 - \cos x_1)$$

(a) Show that $V(t, x)$ is positive definite and decrescent.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}V(t, x) &> \frac{1}{2}(a \sin x_1 + x_2)^2 + 2 \sin^2 \frac{x_1}{2} [1 + a^2 - a^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(a \sin x_1 + x_2)^2 + 2 \sin^2 \frac{x_1}{2} = W_1(x)\end{aligned}$$

Let $D = \{(x_1, x_2) | x_1 \in [-\pi, \pi], x_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$, then $W_1(x) \geq 0$, and $x_1 = x_2 = 0 \iff W_1(x) = 0$. Therefore, $W_1(x)$ is positive definite and $V(t, x)$ is positive definite.

Problem 3 (a) (Cont.)

A pendulum with time-varying friction is represented by

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2, \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -\sin x_1 - g(t)x_2.\end{aligned}$$

Suppose that $g(t)$ is continuously differentiable and satisfies

$$0 < a < \alpha \leq g(t) \leq \beta < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{g}(t) \leq \gamma < 2$$

for all $t \geq 0$. Consider the Lyapunov function candidate

$$V(t, x) = \frac{1}{2}(a \sin x_1 + x_2)^2 + [1 + ag(t) - a^2](1 - \cos x_1)$$

(a) Show that $V(t, x)$ is positive definite and decrescent.

Proof:

$$V(t, x) \leq \frac{1}{2}(a \sin x_1 + x_2)^2 + (1 + a\beta - a^2)(1 - \cos x_1) = W_2(x)$$

Since $1 + a\beta - a^2 > 0$, $W_2(x) \geq 0$; and we have $x_1 = x_2 = 0 \iff W_2(x) = 0$. Hence, $W_2(x)$ is positive definite. Thus $V(t, x)$ is decrescent.

Problem 3 (b)

(b) Show that

$$\dot{V} \leq -(\alpha - a)x_2^2 - a(2 - \gamma)(1 - \cos x_1) + O(\|x\|^3),$$

where $O(\|x\|^3)$ is a term bounded by $k\|x\|^3$ in some neighborhood of the origin.

Proof:

$$\dot{V}(t, x) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f(t, x)$$

$$V(t, x) = \frac{1}{2}(a \sin x_1 + x_2)^2 + [1 + ag(t) - a^2](1 - \cos x_1)$$

$$= a\dot{g}(t)(1 - \cos x_1) + [(a \sin x_1 + x_2)(a \cos x_1) + (1 + ag(t) - a^2) \sin x_1] \dot{x}_1 + (a \sin x_1 + x_2) \dot{x}_2$$

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2, \dot{x}_2 = -\sin x_1 - g(t)x_2$$

$$= a\dot{g}(t)(1 - \cos x_1) + [(a \sin x_1 + x_2)(a \cos x_1) + (1 + ag(t) - a^2) \sin x_1] x_2$$

$$+ (a \sin x_1 + x_2)(-\sin x_1 - g(t)x_2)$$

$$= a\dot{g}(t)(1 - \cos x_1) + (a \sin x_1 + x_2)(a \cos x_1)x_2 + \cancel{x_2 \sin x_1} + \cancel{ag(t)x_2 \sin x_1} - a^2 x_2 \sin x_1 - a \sin^2 x_1 - \cancel{ag(t)x_2 \sin x_1} - \cancel{x_2 \sin x_1} - g(t)x_2^2$$

$$= a\dot{g}(t)(1 - \cos x_1) + a^2 x_2 \sin x_1 \cos x_1 + ax_2^2 \cos x_1 - a^2 x_2 \sin x_1 - a \sin^2 x_1 - g(t)x_2^2$$

Problem 3 (b) (Cont.)

(b) Show that

$$\dot{V} \leq -(\alpha - a)x_2^2 - a(2 - \gamma)(1 - \cos x_1) + O(\|x\|^3),$$

where $O(\|x\|^3)$ is a term bounded by $k\|x\|^3$ in some neighborhood of the origin.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V}(t, x) &= a\dot{g}(t)(1 - \cos x_1) + a^2x_2 \sin x_1 \cos x_1 + ax_2^2 \cos x_1 - a^2x_2 \sin x_1 - a \sin^2 x_1 - g(t)x_2^2 \\ &= (a \cos x_1 - g(t))x_2^2 + a\dot{g}(t)(1 - \cos x_1) + a^2x_2 \sin x_1 (\cos x_1 - 1) - a(1 - \cos^2 x_1) \\ &= -(g(t) - a \cos x_1)x_2^2 - a(2 - \dot{g}(t))(1 - \cos x_1) + a^2x_2 \sin x_1 (\cos x_1 - 1) \\ &\quad - a(-2 + 1 + \cos x_1)(1 - \cos x_1)\end{aligned}$$

$$0 < a < \alpha \leq g(t) \leq \beta < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{g}(t) \leq \gamma < 2$$

$$\leq -(\alpha - a)x_2^2 - a(2 - \gamma)(1 - \cos x_1) + a^2x_2 \sin x_1 (\cos x_1 - 1) + a(1 - \cos x_1)^2$$

$$\cos x_1 = 1 - \frac{1}{2}x_1^2 + O(\|x\|^4), \quad \sin x_1 = x_1 + O(\|x\|^3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= -(\alpha - a)x_2^2 - a(2 - \gamma)(1 - \cos x_1) + a^2x_2(O(\|x_1\|))(O(\|x_1\|^2)) + a(O(\|x_1\|^2))^2 \\ &= -(\alpha - a)x_2^2 - a(2 - \gamma)(1 - \cos x_1) + O(\|x\|^3)\end{aligned}$$

Problem 3 (c)

(c) Show that the origin is uniformly asymptotically stable.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V} &\leq -(\alpha - a)x_2^2 - a(2 - \gamma)(1 - \cos x_1) + O(\|x\|^3) \\ &\leq -(\alpha - a)x_2^2 - a(2 - \gamma) \left(\frac{1}{2}x_1^2 + O(\|x\|^4) \right) + O(\|x\|^3) \\ &= -(\alpha - a)x_2^2 - \frac{a(2 - \gamma)}{2}x_1^2 + O(\|x\|^3)\end{aligned}$$

Let $k = \min\{\alpha - a, \frac{a(2-\gamma)}{2}\}$, and we have

$$\dot{V} \leq -k\|x\|^2 + O(\|x\|^3) = -\|x\|^2 \left(k - \frac{O(\|x\|^3)}{\|x\|^2} \right)$$

Define $W_3(x) = \|x\|^2 \left(k - \frac{O(\|x\|^3)}{\|x\|^2} \right)$. Since $\frac{O(\|x\|^3)}{\|x\|^2} \rightarrow 0$ as $\|x\| \rightarrow 0$, we have

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } \|x\| \leq \delta, \left\| \frac{O(\|x\|^3)}{\|x\|^2} \right\| \leq \varepsilon$$

Choose $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}k$, then $W_3(x)$ is positive definite in the neighborhood corresponding to this ε . From (a), $V(t, x)$ is positive definite and decrescent. Therefore, the origin is (locally) uniformly asymptotically stable.

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Problem 4

We denote by $|x|$ the absolute value of x if x is scalar and the euclidean norm of x if x is a vector. For functions of time, the L_2 norm is given by

$$\|x\|_p = \left(\int_0^\infty |x(\tau)|^p d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

for $p \in [1, \infty]$, while

$$\|x\|_\infty = \sup_{t \geq 0} |x(t)|.$$

We say that $x \in \mathbb{L}_p$ when $\|x\|_p < \infty$.

- (a) Write down the Barbalat's lemma, the Lyapunov-like lemma, and the Lashalle-Yoshizawa theorem.
- (b) Use Barbalat's lemma to prove the Lyapunov-like lemma, Lashalle-Yoshizawa theorem, and the following corollary.

Corollary: If $x \in \mathbb{L}_2 \cap \mathbb{L}_\infty$ and $\dot{x} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$.

Problem 4 (Cont.)

Barbalat's lemma and Lyapunov-like lemma

Lemma (Barbalat)

If a differentiable function $f(t)$ has a finite limit as $t \rightarrow \infty$, and if $\dot{f}(t)$ is uniformly continuous, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{f}(t) = 0$.

Lemma (Lyapunov-like)

If a scalar function $V(t, x)$ satisfies the following conditions:

- $V(t, x)$ is lower bounded,
- $\dot{V}(t, x)$ is negative semi-definite,
- $\dot{V}(t, x)$ is uniformly continuous,

then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{V}(t, x) = 0$.

Proof of Lyapunov-like lemma:

From the first two conditions of $V(t, x)$, we know that $V(t, x)$ is non-increasing and bounded below. Hence, it converges to some finite value V_∞ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, i.e., $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(t, x) = V_0$.

With the third condition, by Barbalat's lemma, we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{V}(t, x) = 0$.

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LaSalle-Yoshizawa Theorem

Theorem (LaSalle-Yoshizawa)

Let $x = 0$ be an equilibrium point of $\dot{x} = f(t, x)$ and suppose that $f(t, x)$ is piecewise continuous in t and locally Lipschitz in x and uniformly in t . Let $V(t, x)$ be a continuously differentiable function such that $\forall t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\alpha_1(\|x\|) \leq V(t, x) \leq \alpha_2(\|x\|)$$

$$\dot{V} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} f(t, x) \leq -W(x) \leq 0$$

where $\alpha_1(\cdot)$ and $\alpha_2(\cdot)$ are class \mathcal{K}_∞ functions and $W(x)$ is a continuous function. Then the solutions of $\dot{x} = f(t, x)$ satisfy

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} W(x(t)) = 0$$

In addition, if $W(x)$ is positive definite, $x = 0$ is globally uniformly asymptotically stable.

Basic idea:

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	\Downarrow	\Downarrow		
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	$\int_0^t W(x(\tau))d\tau$ is non-decreasing and upper bounded	W is uniformly continuous w.r.t. x x is uniformly continuous w.r.t. t		

Problem 4 (Cont.)

LaSalle-Yoshizawa Theorem

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Since $\dot{V} \leq -W(x) \leq 0$, integrating both sides yields $V(t) - V(0) \leq -\int_0^t W(x(\tau))d\tau$, i.e.,

$$\int_0^t W(x(\tau))d\tau \leq V(0, x) - V(t, x) \leq V(0, x).$$

This implies $\int_0^t W(x(\tau))d\tau$ has an upper bound.

Besides, $W(x) \geq 0$, which means $\int_0^t W(x(\tau))d\tau$ is non-decreasing.

Thus, $\int_0^t W(x(\tau))d\tau$ has a finite limit.

Problem 4 (Cont.)

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Since $\dot{V} \leq 0$, and $\alpha_1(\|x\|) \leq V(t, x) \leq \alpha_2(\|x\|)$, then we have

$$\alpha_1(\|x\|) \leq V(t, x) \leq V(0, x),$$

where $\alpha_1(\|x\|)$ belongs to class \mathcal{K}_∞ , i.e., $\alpha_1(\|x\|)$ is strictly increasing. Thus, we have

$$\|x(t)\| \leq \alpha_1^{-1}(V(0, x(0))) \triangleq R.$$

Therefore, the domain of $W(x)$ is bounded and closed, i.e., the domain is a compact set. From the fact that *every continuous function on a compact set is uniformly continuous*, $W(x)$ is uniformly continuous in x on $\|x(t)\| \leq R$.

Notice that $f(t, x)$ is locally Lipschitz in x and uniformly in t , then we have, $\forall t_2 > t_1$,

$$\|x(t_2) - x(t_1)\| = \left\| \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(\tau, x(\tau)) d\tau \right\| \leq L_R \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|x(\tau)\| d\tau \leq L_R R |t_2 - t_1|,$$

this implies $x(t)$ is uniformly continuous in t . Since $W(x)$ is uniformly continuous in x , thus, $W(x(t))$ is uniformly continuous in t . From Barbalat's lemma, we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} W(x(t)) = 0$.

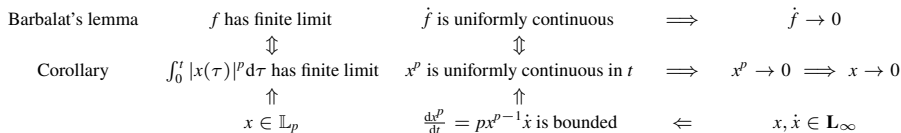
Problem 4 (Cont.)

Corollary

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If $x \in \mathbb{L}_2 \cap \mathbb{L}_\infty$ and $\dot{x} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$.

Basic idea: (The idea presented below is used for an extended version of the corollary above: If $x \in \mathbb{L}_2 \cap \mathbb{L}_\infty$ and $\dot{x} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$.)



The proof can be immediately constructed from the guidance above.

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Problem 5

Consider the following multi-dimensional system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B(u + \Theta^T \Phi(x))$$

where $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the state, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ are known matrices, $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is the control input, $\Phi(x) \in \mathbb{R}^k$ is a bounded function, and $\Theta \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}$ is an unknown constant matrix. Assume that (A, B) is controllable.

- (a) Design an adaptive control law to stabilize the system.
- (b) Design an adaptive control law with adaptive σ -modification to stabilize the system.

Problem 5 (a)

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B(u + \Theta^T \Phi(x))$$

(a) Design an adaptive control law to stabilize the system.

Solution:

If Θ is known, we can design the following control law:

$$u = Kx - \Theta^T \Phi(x)$$

where $K \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, then the system dynamic is as follow:

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B(u + \Theta^T \Phi(x)) = (A + BK)x$$

Let $A + BK \triangleq A^*$, we can find a proper K to make A^* Hurwitz, since (A, B) is controllable.

Since Θ is unknown, we modify the control law as follow:

$$u = Kx - \hat{\Theta}^T \Phi(x)$$

Then the system dynamic is as follow:

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B(u + \Theta^T \Phi(x)) = (A + BK)x + B(\Theta^T \Phi(x) - \hat{\Theta}^T \Phi(x)),$$

Problem 5 (a) (Cont.)

Define $\tilde{\Theta} \triangleq \hat{\Theta} - \Theta$, then the system can be written as

$$\dot{x} = A^*x - B\tilde{\Theta}^T\Phi(x).$$

Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = x^T Px + \text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T \Gamma^{-1} \tilde{\Theta})$$

where $\Gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$, $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are positive definite and symmetric, and P satisfies

$$PA^* + A^{*T}P = -Q$$

where $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is positive definite.

The derivative of V is shown below:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V} &= \dot{x}^T Px + x^T P\dot{x} + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T \Gamma^{-1} \dot{\tilde{\Theta}}) \\ &= (A^*x - B\tilde{\Theta}^T\Phi(x))^T Px + x^T P(A^*x - B\tilde{\Theta}^T\Phi(x)) + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T \Gamma^{-1} \dot{\tilde{\Theta}}) \\ &= x^T A^{*T} Px - \Phi^T(x)\tilde{\Theta} B^T Px + x^T PA^*x - x^T PB\tilde{\Theta}^T\Phi(x) + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T \Gamma^{-1} \dot{\tilde{\Theta}}) \\ &= -x^T Qx - 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T \Phi(x)x^T PB) + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T \Gamma^{-1} \dot{\tilde{\Theta}}) \\ &= -x^T Qx + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T (\Gamma^{-1} \dot{\tilde{\Theta}} - \Phi(x)x^T PB))\end{aligned}$$

Problem 5 (a) (Cont.)

where the fourth equality follows from

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi^T(x)\tilde{\Theta}B^TPx &= \text{tr}(\Phi^T(x)\tilde{\Theta}B^TPx) && [\text{scalar}] \\ &= \text{tr}(x^TPB\tilde{\Theta}^T\Phi(x)) = x^TPB\tilde{\Theta}^T\Phi(x) && [\text{tr}(A^T) = \text{tr}(A), \text{scalar}] \\ &= \text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T\Phi(x)x^TPB) && [\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)]\end{aligned}$$

Let $\dot{\hat{\Theta}} = \Gamma\Phi(x)x^TPB$, then we have

$$\dot{V} = -x^TQx \leq 0,$$

which implies $\forall t > 0$, $V(t) \leq V(0)$, i.e., $x, \tilde{\Theta} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$. From LaSalle-Yoshizawa Theorem, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x^TQx = 0$, i.e., $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$.

Problem 5 (b)

(b) Design an adaptive control law with adaptive σ -modification to stabilize the system.

Solution: Consider the adaptive control law with adaptive σ -modification:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\hat{\Theta}} &= \Gamma(\Phi(x)x^T PB - \Sigma(\hat{\Theta} - \hat{\Theta}_1)), \\ \dot{\hat{\Theta}}_1 &= \Delta(\hat{\Theta} - \hat{\Theta}_1),\end{aligned}$$

where Σ and Δ are constant positive definite matrices, $\hat{\Theta}_1$ is the estimation of $\hat{\Theta}$.

Define $\tilde{\Theta}_1 = \hat{\Theta}_1 - \Theta$. Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = x^T Px + \text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T \Gamma^{-1} \tilde{\Theta}) + \text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}_1^T \Sigma \Delta^{-1} \tilde{\Theta}_1).$$

Then its derivative is

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V} &= \dot{x}^T Px + x^T P \dot{x} + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T \Gamma^{-1} \dot{\hat{\Theta}}) + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}_1^T \Sigma \Delta^{-1} \dot{\hat{\Theta}}_1) \\ &= -x^T Qx + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T (\Gamma^{-1} \dot{\hat{\Theta}} - \Phi(x)x^T PB)) + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}_1^T \Sigma \Delta^{-1} \dot{\hat{\Theta}}_1) \\ &= -x^T Qx - 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}^T \Sigma (\hat{\Theta} - \hat{\Theta}_1)) + 2\text{tr}(\tilde{\Theta}_1^T \Sigma (\hat{\Theta} - \hat{\Theta}_1)) \\ &= -x^T Qx - 2\text{tr}((\tilde{\Theta} - \tilde{\Theta}_1)^T \Sigma (\hat{\Theta} - \hat{\Theta}_1)) \\ &= -x^T Qx - 2\text{tr}((\tilde{\Theta} - \tilde{\Theta}_1)^T \Sigma (\tilde{\Theta} - \tilde{\Theta}_1)) \leq 0,\end{aligned}$$

which implies $\forall t > 0$, $V(t) \leq V(0)$, i.e., x , $\tilde{\Theta}$, $\tilde{\Theta}_1 \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$. Thus $\text{tr}((\tilde{\Theta} - \tilde{\Theta}_1)^T \Sigma (\tilde{\Theta} - \tilde{\Theta}_1))$ is bounded. From LaSalle-Yoshizawa Theorem, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x^T Qx = 0$, i.e., $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$.

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