

# Additional Q&A of NAC

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## Question 1. ★★★★★

Consider the following scalar system

$$\dot{x} = -ax + bu + \varphi\theta$$

Solution:

$$u = \hat{k}_1(t)x + \hat{k}_2(t)u_c - \varphi(x)\frac{\hat{\theta}(t)}{\hat{b}(t)} \triangleq \hat{k}_1(t)x + \hat{k}_2(t)u_c - \varphi(x)\hat{\theta}_1(t)$$

## Answer 1.

Consider the following scalar system

$$\dot{x} = -ax + bu + \varphi\theta$$

where  $\varphi = \varphi(x)$  is a bounded and continuous known function, and  $a, b, \theta$  are unknown constant parameters.  $\text{sgn}(b)$  is known.

The reference model is given by

$$\dot{x}_{\text{ref}} = -a_{\text{ref}}x_{\text{ref}} + b_{\text{ref}}u_c$$

We propose the following control law

$$u = \hat{k}_1(t)x + \hat{k}_2(t)u_c - \varphi\hat{\theta}_1(t)$$

Then we have

$$\dot{x} = -ax + b\hat{k}_1(t)x + b\hat{k}_2(t)u_c - \varphi(b\hat{\theta}_1(t) - \theta)$$

By  $k_1^* = \frac{a - a_{\text{ref}}}{b}$ ,  $k_2^* = \frac{b_{\text{ref}}}{b}$ , the error dynamics is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{e} &= \dot{x} - \dot{x}_{\text{ref}} \\ &= -ax + b\hat{k}_1(t)x + b\hat{k}_2(t)u_c - \varphi(b\hat{\theta}_1(t) - \theta) + a_{\text{ref}}x_{\text{ref}} - b_{\text{ref}}u_c + a_{\text{ref}}x - a_{\text{ref}}x \\ &= -a_{\text{ref}}e + (a_{\text{ref}} - a + b\hat{k}_1(t))x + (b\hat{k}_2(t) - b_{\text{ref}})u_c - \varphi(b\hat{\theta}_1(t) - \theta) \\ &= -a_{\text{ref}}e + b(\hat{k}_1(t) - k_1^*)x + b(\hat{k}_2(t) - k_2^*)u_c - \varphi\left(\hat{\theta}_1(t) - \frac{\theta}{b}\right) \\ &= -a_{\text{ref}}e + b\tilde{k}_1x + b\tilde{k}_2u_c - b\varphi\tilde{\theta} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{k}_1 = \hat{k}_1(t) - k_1^*$ ,  $\tilde{k}_2 = \hat{k}_2(t) - k_2^*$ ,  $\tilde{\theta} = \hat{\theta}_1(t) - \frac{\theta}{b}$ .

Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = \frac{1}{2}e^2 + \frac{|b|}{2\gamma_1}\tilde{k}_1^2 + \frac{|b|}{2\gamma_2}\tilde{k}_2^2 + \frac{|b|}{2\gamma_3}\tilde{\theta}^2$$

where  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3 > 0$ .

Taking the time derivative of  $V$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{V} &= e\dot{e} + \frac{|b|}{\gamma_1}\tilde{k}_1\dot{k}_1 + \frac{|b|}{\gamma_2}\tilde{k}_2\dot{k}_2 + \frac{|b|}{\gamma_3}\tilde{\theta}\dot{\theta}_1 \\ &= -a_{\text{ref}}e^2 + b\tilde{k}_1xe + b\tilde{k}_2u_c e - b\varphi\tilde{\theta}e + \frac{|b|}{\gamma_1}\tilde{k}_1\dot{k}_1 + \frac{|b|}{\gamma_2}\tilde{k}_2\dot{k}_2 + \frac{|b|}{\gamma_3}\tilde{\theta}\dot{\theta}_1 \\ &= -a_{\text{ref}}e^2 + \frac{|b|}{\gamma_1}\tilde{k}_1(\dot{k}_1 + \gamma_1\text{sgn}(b)xe) + \frac{|b|}{\gamma_2}\tilde{k}_2(\dot{k}_2 + \gamma_2\text{sgn}(b)u_c e) + \frac{|b|}{\gamma_3}\tilde{\theta}(\dot{\theta}_1 - \gamma_3\text{sgn}(b)\varphi e)\end{aligned}$$

If we choose

$$\dot{k}_1 = -\gamma_1\text{sgn}(b)xe, \dot{k}_2 = -\gamma_2\text{sgn}(b)u_c e, \dot{\theta}_1 = \gamma_3\text{sgn}(b)\varphi e$$

which leads to

$$\dot{V} = -a_{\text{ref}}e^2 \leq 0$$

Thus  $V(t) \leq V(0)$  which implies that  $e, \tilde{k}_1, \tilde{k}_2, \tilde{\theta} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ . Since  $x_{\text{ref}}$  is bounded, thus  $x = e + x_{\text{ref}} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ ,  $\dot{e} = -a_{\text{ref}}e + b\tilde{k}_1x + b\tilde{k}_2u_c - \varphi\tilde{\theta} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ . Then we have  $\ddot{V} = -2a_{\text{ref}}e\dot{e} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ .

We can conclude from Barbalat's lemma that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{V}(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = 0$ .

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**Question 2. \*\*\***

1.  $\Lambda$  with all negative elements?

Solution: choose  $\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T(-\Lambda)\tilde{K}_1\}$

2.  $\Lambda$  with some negative elements and some positive elements?

Solution: choose

$$V = e^T P e + \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T |\Lambda| \tilde{K}_1\} + \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T |\Lambda| \tilde{K}_2\}$$

and

$$\dot{\tilde{K}}_1 = -\text{sgn}(\Lambda) B^T P e x^T, \dot{\tilde{K}}_2 = -\text{sgn}(\Lambda) B^T P e u_c^T$$

where  $|\Lambda| \triangleq \Lambda \text{sgn}(\Lambda)$ ,  $\text{sgn}(\Lambda) \triangleq \text{diag}\{\text{sgn}(\lambda_i)\}$ .

**Answer 2.**

We consider a linear system described by

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B\Lambda u$$

where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  are unknown constant matrix. In addition, assume that  $\Lambda$  is diagonal, and  $(A, B\Lambda)$  is controllable. The uncertainty in  $\Lambda$  is introduced to model the control failure.

Control objective: design  $u$  such that all signals in the closed-loop system are bounded and  $x$  tracks the state  $x_{\text{ref}}$  of the following reference model.

$$\dot{x}_{\text{ref}} = A_{\text{ref}}x_{\text{ref}} + B_{\text{ref}}u_c$$

where  $A_{\text{ref}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is Hurwitz,  $B_{\text{ref}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $u_c \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the bounded command vector.

If matrices  $A, \Lambda$  were known, we can apply the control law

$$u = K_1^* x + K_2^* u_c$$

and we can obtain

$$\dot{x} = (A + B\Lambda K_1^*)x + B\Lambda K_2^* u_c$$

Then the matching condition is

$$\begin{cases} A + B\Lambda K_1^* = A_{\text{ref}} \\ B\Lambda K_2^* = B_{\text{ref}} \end{cases}$$

Let us assume that  $K_1^*, K_2^*$  exist. We propose the control law

$$u = \hat{K}_1(t)x + \hat{K}_2(t)u_c$$

Then we obtain

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B\Lambda \hat{K}_1(t)x + B\Lambda \hat{K}_2(t)u_c$$

Define the tracking error  $e \triangleq x - x_{\text{ref}}$ . Its dynamic is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{e} &= \dot{x} - \dot{x}_{\text{ref}} \\ &= Ax + B\Lambda \hat{K}_1(t)x + B\Lambda \hat{K}_2(t)u_c - A_{\text{ref}}x_{\text{ref}} - B_{\text{ref}}u_c + A_{\text{ref}}x - A_{\text{ref}}x \\ &= A_{\text{ref}}e + (A - A_{\text{ref}})x - B_{\text{ref}}u_c + B\Lambda \hat{K}_1(t)x + B\Lambda \hat{K}_2(t)u_c \\ &= A_{\text{ref}}e + B\Lambda K_1^* x - B\Lambda K_2^* u_c + B\Lambda \hat{K}_1(t)x + B\Lambda \hat{K}_2(t)u_c \\ &= A_{\text{ref}}e + B\Lambda [\hat{K}_1(t) - K_1^*]x + B\Lambda [\hat{K}_2(t) - K_2^*]u_c \\ &= A_{\text{ref}}e + B\Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x + B\Lambda \tilde{K}_2 u_c \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{K}_1 = \hat{K}_1 - K_1^*, \tilde{K}_2 = \hat{K}_2 - K_2^*$ .

Since  $A_{\text{ref}}$  is Hurwitz, we can get from Lyapunov theorem that for any positive definite  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , there exists a unique positive definite  $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  such that

$$A_{\text{ref}}^T P + P A_{\text{ref}} = -Q < 0$$

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Case 1:  $\Lambda$  is diagonal with positive diagonal elements.

Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = e^T P e + \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T \Lambda \tilde{K}_1\} + \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T \Lambda \tilde{K}_2\}$$

Its derivative is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= 2e^T P \dot{e} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T \Lambda \dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T \Lambda \dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} \\ &= 2e^T P A_{\text{ref}} e + 2e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x + 2e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_2 u_c + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T \Lambda \dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T \Lambda \dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x = \text{tr}\{e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x\} = \text{tr}\{x e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1\} = \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1 \Lambda B^T P e x^T\}$ , we have

$$\dot{V} = 2e^T P A_{\text{ref}} e + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1 \Lambda B^T P e x^T\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2 \Lambda B^T P e u_c^T\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T \Lambda \dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T \Lambda \dot{\tilde{K}}_2\}$$

we can choose

$$\dot{\tilde{K}}_1 = -B^T P e x^T, \dot{\tilde{K}}_2 = -B^T P e u_c^T$$

Then we have

$$\dot{V} = -e^T Q e \leq 0$$

Thus,  $V(t) \leq V(0)$ , which implies that  $e, \tilde{K}_1, \tilde{K}_2 \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ . Since  $u_c$  is bounded and  $A_{\text{ref}}$  is Hurwitz,  $x_{\text{ref}} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ ,  $x = e + x_{\text{ref}} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ ,  $\dot{e} = A_{\text{ref}} e + B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x + B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 u_c \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ . Then  $\ddot{V} = -2e^T Q \dot{e} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ .

Using Barbalat's lemma, we can get  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{V}(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e(t) = 0$ .

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Case 2:  $\Lambda$  is diagonal with negative diagonal elements.

Denote  $\bar{\Lambda} = -\Lambda$ .

Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = e^T P e + \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T \Lambda \tilde{K}_1\} - \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T \bar{\Lambda} \tilde{K}_2\}$$

Its derivative is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= 2e^T P \dot{e} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T \bar{\Lambda} \dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T \bar{\Lambda} \dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} \\ &= 2e^T P A_{\text{ref}} e + 2e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x + 2e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 u_c + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T \bar{\Lambda} \dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T \bar{\Lambda} \dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x = \text{tr}\{e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x\} = \text{tr}\{x e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1\} = \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1 \Lambda B^T P e x^T\}$ , we have

$$\dot{V} = 2e^T P A_{\text{ref}} e + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1 \Lambda B^T P e x^T\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2 \Lambda B^T P e u_c^T\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T \bar{\Lambda} \dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T \bar{\Lambda} \dot{\tilde{K}}_2\}$$

we can choose

$$\dot{\tilde{K}}_1 = +B^T P e x^T, \dot{\tilde{K}}_2 = +B^T P e u_c^T$$

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Case 3:  $\Lambda$  is diagonal with some negative elements and some positive elements

Denote  $|\Lambda| \triangleq \Lambda \text{sgn}(\Lambda)$ ,  $\text{sgn}(\Lambda) \triangleq \text{diag}\{\text{sgn}(\lambda_i)\}$ .

Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = e^T P e + \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T \Lambda \tilde{K}_1\} - \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T |\Lambda| \tilde{K}_2\}$$

Its derivative is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= 2e^T P \dot{e} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T |\Lambda| \dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T |\Lambda| \dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} \\ &= 2e^T P A_{\text{ref}} e + 2e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x + 2e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 u_c + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T |\Lambda| \dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T |\Lambda| \dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x = \text{tr}\{e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1 x\} = \text{tr}\{x e^T P B \Lambda \tilde{K}_1\} = \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1 \Lambda B^T P e x^T\}$ , we have

$$\dot{V} = 2e^T P A_{\text{ref}} e + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1 \Lambda B^T P e x^T\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2 \Lambda B^T P e u_c^T\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T |\Lambda| \dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T |\Lambda| \dot{\tilde{K}}_2\}$$

we can choose

$$\dot{\tilde{K}}_1 = -\text{sgn}(\Lambda) B^T P e x^T, \dot{\tilde{K}}_2 = -\text{sgn}(\Lambda) B^T P e u_c^T$$

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**Question 3.**

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B\Lambda(u + \Phi(t) \cdot \Theta)$$

where  $\Theta \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times 1}$ ,  $\Phi(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$  with  $\Phi$  being bounded and  $\Theta$  unknown.

Solution:

$$u = \hat{K}_1(t)x + \hat{K}_2(t)u_c - \Phi(t) \cdot \hat{\Theta}$$

**Answer 3.** For the following system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B\Lambda(u + \Theta\Phi(t))$$

where  $\Theta, \Phi(t)$  with  $\Phi$  being bounded and  $\Theta$  unknown.

**Control objective:** design  $u$ , such that all signals in the closed-loop system are bounded and  $x$  tracks the state  $x_{\text{ref}}$  of the following reference model.

$$\dot{x}_{\text{ref}} = A_{\text{ref}}x_{\text{ref}} + B_{\text{ref}}u_c \quad (1)$$

where  $A_{\text{ref}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is Hurwitz,  $B_{\text{ref}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $u_c \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the bounded command vector.

If matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $\Theta \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times 1}$  were known, we can apply the control law

$$u = K_1^*x + K_2^*u_c - \Theta\Phi$$

where  $K_1^* \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $K_2^* \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and we can obtain

$$\dot{x} = (A + B\Lambda K_1^*)x + B\Lambda K_2^*u_c$$

Then the matching condition is

$$\begin{cases} A + B\Lambda K_1^* = A_{\text{ref}} \\ B\Lambda K_2^* = B_{\text{ref}} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Let us assume that  $K_1^*, K_2^*$  in (2) exist, i.e., there is sufficient structure flexibility to meet the control objective. We propose the control law

$$u = \hat{K}_1(t)x + \hat{K}_2(t)u_c - \hat{\Theta}\Phi$$

By adding and subtracting the desired term, we obtain

$$\dot{x} = A_{\text{ref}}x + B_{\text{ref}}u_c + B\Lambda\tilde{K}_1x + B\Lambda\tilde{K}_2u_c - B\Lambda\tilde{\Theta}\Phi$$

where  $\tilde{K}_1 \triangleq \hat{K}_1 - K_1^*$ ,  $\tilde{K}_2 \triangleq \hat{K}_2 - K_2^*$ ,  $\tilde{\Theta} = \hat{\Theta} - \Theta$ .

Define the tracking error  $e \triangleq x - x_{\text{ref}}$ . Its dynamic is

$$\dot{e} = A_{\text{ref}}e + B\Lambda\tilde{K}_1x + B\Lambda\tilde{K}_2u_c - B\Lambda\tilde{\Theta}\Phi \quad (3)$$

we then consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = e^TPe + \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} + \tilde{\Theta}^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{\Theta}}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} e^TPB\Lambda\tilde{K}_1x &= \text{tr}\{e^TPB\Lambda\tilde{K}_1x\} \\ &= \text{tr}\{xe^TPB\Lambda\tilde{K}_1\} \\ &= \text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1\Lambda B^TPe x^T\} \end{aligned}$$

Its derivative

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= 2e^TP\dot{e} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} + 2\tilde{\Theta}^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{\Theta}} \\ &= 2e^TP(A_{\text{ref}}e + B\Lambda\tilde{K}_1x + B\Lambda\tilde{K}_2u_c - B\Lambda\tilde{\Theta}\Phi) \\ &\quad + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} + 2\tilde{\Theta}^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{\Theta}} \\ &= 2e^TPA_{\text{ref}}e + 2e^TPB\Lambda\tilde{K}_1x + 2e^TPB\Lambda\tilde{K}_2u_c - 2e^TPB\Lambda\tilde{\Theta}\Phi \\ &\quad + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} + 2\tilde{\Theta}^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{\Theta}} \\ &\leq 2e^TPA_{\text{ref}}e + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1\Lambda B^TPe x^T\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2\Lambda B^TPe u_c^T\} - 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{\Theta}^T\Lambda B^TPe\Phi^T\} \\ &\quad + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_1^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_1\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{K}_2^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{K}}_2\} + 2\text{tr}\{\tilde{\Theta}^T\Lambda\dot{\tilde{\Theta}}\} \end{aligned}$$

we can choose

$$\dot{\tilde{K}}_1 = -B^TPe x^T, \dot{\tilde{K}}_2 = -B^TPe u_c^T, \dot{\tilde{\Theta}} = B^TPe\Phi^T$$

Then we have

$$\dot{V} = -e^TQe \leq 0$$

Thus,  $V(t) \leq 0$ , which implies that  $e, \tilde{K}_1, \tilde{K}_2, \tilde{\Theta} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ . Since  $u_c$  is bounded and  $A_{\text{ref}}$  is Hurwitz,  $x_{\text{ref}} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ . Then  $x = e + x_{\text{ref}} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ . Since  $\Phi$  is bounded,  $\dot{e} = A_{\text{ref}}e + B\Lambda\tilde{K}_1x + B\Lambda\tilde{K}_2u_c - B\Lambda\tilde{\Theta}\Phi \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ . Thus  $\dot{V} = -2e^TQe \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ . By Barbalats's lemma,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{V}(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{e}(t) = 0$ .

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**Question 4. \*\*\*\*\***

$$\|d(t)\| \leq d_{\max}$$

$$\|d(t)\| \leq d_{\max}(1 + \|x_1\| + \|x_2\|^2)$$

$d_{\max}$  is unknown.

**Answer 4.**

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= u + d(t) \end{aligned}$$

where  $d(t)$  is a external disturbance with  $\|d(t)\| \leq d_{\max}(1 + \|x_1\| + \|x_2\|^2)$ .

Denote  $\Phi(x) = 1 + \|x_1\| + \|x_2\|^2 \geq 1$ .

Design a sliding surface:  $s = x_2 + \lambda x_1, \lambda > 0$ .

The dynamics of  $s$  is  $\dot{s} = \dot{x}_2 + \lambda \dot{x}_1 = u + d(t) + \lambda x_2$ .

If  $d_{\max}$  is unknown, we can design

$$u = -\lambda x_2 - \eta \operatorname{sgn}(s) - \operatorname{sgn}(s) \hat{d}(t) \Phi(x)$$

Then  $\dot{s} = d(t) - \operatorname{sgn}(s) \hat{d}(t) \Phi(x) - \eta \operatorname{sgn}(s)$ .

Denote  $\tilde{d} = \hat{d}(t) - d_{\max}$ .

Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = \frac{1}{2} s^2 + \frac{1}{2\gamma} \tilde{d}^2, \gamma > 0,$$

Its derivative is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= s \dot{s} + \frac{1}{\gamma} \tilde{d} \dot{\tilde{d}} \\ &= s [d(t) - \operatorname{sgn}(s) \hat{d} \Phi(x) - \eta \operatorname{sgn}(s)] + \frac{1}{\gamma} \tilde{d} \dot{\tilde{d}} \\ &\leq -\eta |s| + d_{\max} \Phi(x) |s| - \hat{d} \Phi(x) |s| + \frac{1}{\gamma} \tilde{d} \dot{\tilde{d}} \\ &= -\eta |s| - (\hat{d} - d_{\max}) \Phi(x) |s| + \frac{1}{\gamma} \tilde{d} \dot{\tilde{d}} \\ &= -\eta |s| - \tilde{d} \Phi(x) |s| + \frac{1}{\gamma} \tilde{d} \dot{\tilde{d}} \\ &= -\eta |s| + \frac{1}{\gamma} \tilde{d} (\dot{\tilde{d}} - \gamma \Phi(x) |s|) \end{aligned}$$

Design  $\dot{\tilde{d}} = \gamma \Phi(x) |s|$ , we obtain  $\dot{V} \leq -\eta |s|$ . Integrating both sides yields

$$V(t) - V(0) \leq -\eta \int_0^t |s| d\tau$$

$\Rightarrow s \in \mathbb{L}_1$ .

By  $s \in \mathbb{L}_1 \cap \mathbb{L}_\infty, \dot{s} \in \mathbb{L}_\infty$ , we have  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} s(t) = 0$ .

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**Question 5.** If the system is  $M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) = u$ , then choose

$$u = g(q) - K_p \tilde{q} - K_d \dot{\tilde{q}}$$

If the system is  $M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + g(q) + D\dot{q} = u$ ,  $D$  is PSD (It is useful, don't cancel).

Control Objective:  $q \rightarrow q_d, \dot{q}_d = 0$ .

**Answer 5.**

Define the position error:  $\tilde{q} = q - q_d, \dot{\tilde{q}} = \dot{q}, \ddot{\tilde{q}} = \ddot{q}$ .

The error dynamics is

$$M\ddot{\tilde{q}} + C\dot{\tilde{q}} + g + D\dot{\tilde{q}} = u$$

Design the following control input

$$u = -K_p\tilde{q} - K_d\dot{\tilde{q}} + g = -K_p(q - q_d) - K_d\dot{q} + g$$

where  $K_p$  and  $K_d$  are positive definite matrices.

Then the closed-loop system is

$$M\ddot{\tilde{q}} + C\dot{\tilde{q}} + D\dot{\tilde{q}} = -K_p\tilde{q} - K_d\dot{\tilde{q}}$$

Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\tilde{q}}^T M \dot{\tilde{q}} + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{q}^T K_p \tilde{q}$$

The derivative of  $V$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= \dot{\tilde{q}}^T M \ddot{\tilde{q}} + \frac{1}{2}\dot{\tilde{q}}^T \dot{M} \dot{\tilde{q}} + \dot{\tilde{q}}^T K_d \dot{\tilde{q}} \\ &= \dot{\tilde{q}}^T (-K_p\tilde{q} - K_d\dot{\tilde{q}} - C\dot{\tilde{q}} - D\dot{\tilde{q}}) + \frac{1}{2}\dot{\tilde{q}}^T \dot{M} \dot{\tilde{q}} + \dot{\tilde{q}}^T K_p \tilde{q} \\ &= -\dot{\tilde{q}}^T K_d \dot{\tilde{q}} + \frac{1}{2}\dot{\tilde{q}}^T (\dot{M} - 2C) \dot{\tilde{q}} - \dot{\tilde{q}}^T D \dot{\tilde{q}} \\ &= -\dot{\tilde{q}}^T K_d \dot{\tilde{q}} - \dot{\tilde{q}}^T D \dot{\tilde{q}} \end{aligned}$$

NSD => stable.

Note that the closed-loop system is autonomous, we have

$$E \triangleq \{(\tilde{q}, \dot{\tilde{q}}) | \dot{V} = 0\} = \{(\tilde{q}, \dot{\tilde{q}}) | \dot{\tilde{q}} \equiv 0\}$$

Since  $\dot{\tilde{q}}(t) \equiv 0 \Rightarrow \ddot{\tilde{q}}(t) \equiv 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{q}(t) \equiv 0$ , the only solution that can stay identically to  $E$  is the origin. Thus, from LaSalle's Theorem, the origin is asymptotically stable, i.e.,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} q(t) = q_d$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{q}(t) = 0$ .

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**Question 6. \*\*\*\*\***

If there exist external disturbance in the system, for example

$$M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} = u + d(t)$$

where  $\|d(t)\| \leq d_{\max}$ . We may use  $u = -k\text{sgn}(s) + M\ddot{q}_r + C\dot{q}_r$ .

**Answer 6.**



Define a sliding surface

$$s = \dot{\tilde{q}} + \lambda \tilde{q} = \dot{q} - (\dot{q}_d - \lambda \tilde{q}) = \dot{q} - \dot{q}_r, \lambda > 0$$

where  $\dot{q}_r$  is an auxiliary variable.

Then we have

$$M(\dot{s} + \ddot{q}_r) + C(s + \dot{q}_r) = u + d(t)$$

or

$$M\dot{s} + Cs = u - M\ddot{q}_r - C\dot{q}_r + d(t) \tag{4}$$

Define the following control input

$$u = -k \operatorname{sgn}(s) + M\ddot{q}_r + C\dot{q}_r \tag{5}$$

where  $K$  is positive definite. Then the closed-loop system is

$$M\dot{s} + Cs = -k \operatorname{sgn}(s) + d(t)$$

Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = \frac{1}{2} s^T Ms$$

Its derivative is

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= s^T M \dot{s} + \frac{1}{2} s^T \dot{M} s \\ &= -s^T (Cs + k \operatorname{sgn}(s) + d(t)) + \frac{1}{2} s^T \dot{M} s \\ &= -s^T k \operatorname{sgn}(s) - s^T d(t) + \frac{1}{2} s^T (\dot{M} - 2C) s \\ &= -s^T k \operatorname{sgn}(s) - s^T d(t) \\ &\leq -\|s\| k - \|s\| d_{\max} \end{aligned}$$

Choose  $k = d_{\max} + \eta, \eta > 0$ , then  $\dot{V} \leq -\eta \|s\|$ .

Therefore, the origin  $s = 0$  is globally uniformly exponentially stable, i.e,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} s(t) = 0$ .

From the input-to-state stability,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{q}(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \dot{\tilde{q}}(t) = 0$ .

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