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Dissipation Inequalities and Quadratic Constraints for Control, Optimization, and Learning

Lesson 5: Polynomial and Time-Varying Dynamics

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Learning Objectives

In this lesson we will

- Discuss the use of sum-of-squares SOS optimizations for constructing Lyapunov and storage functions for uncertain polynomial systems.
- Describe the generalization of the dissipation inequality / IQC conditions for uncertain systems with time-varying nominal dynamics.
- Present the corresponding dissipation inequality / IQC results for the discrete-time systems.

Outline

1. Sum-of-squares SOS
2. Time-varying results (LTV)
3. Nonlinear reachability analysis
4. Discrete-time results

Region of Attraction (ROA)

Consider the autonomous nonlinear dynamical system

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t))$$

where $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the state at time t and $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. Assume:

- $f(0) = 0$, i.e. $x = 0$ is an equilibrium point.
- $x = 0$ is an asymptotically stable equilibrium point.
- f is a polynomial function of x .

Define the region of attraction (ROA) as:

$$\mathcal{R} := \{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n : \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \phi(\xi, t) = 0\}$$

where $\phi(\xi, t)$ denotes the solution at time t starting from the initial condition $\phi(\xi, 0) = \xi$.

Objective: Compute or estimate the ROA.

We will show how to perform this computation using sum-of-squares (SOS) optimization.

Polynomials

- Given $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n$, a monomial in n variables is a function $m_\alpha: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as $m_\alpha(x) := x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \cdots x_n^{\alpha_n}$.
- The degree of a monomial is defined as $\deg m_\alpha := \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i$.
- A polynomial in n variables is a function $p: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as a finite linear combination of monomials:

$$p := \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} c_\alpha m_\alpha = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} c_\alpha x^\alpha$$

where $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathbb{N}^n$ is a finite set and $c_\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{A}$.

- The set of polynomials in n variables $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ will be denoted $\mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ or, more compactly, $\mathbb{R}[x]$.
- The degree of a polynomial f is defined as

$$\deg f := \max_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}, c_\alpha \neq 0} \deg m_\alpha.$$

Vector Representation

If p is a polynomial of degree $\leq d$ in n variables then there exists a coefficient vector $c \in \mathbb{R}^{l_w}$ such that $p = c^\top w(x)$ where

$$w(x) := [1, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, x_1^2, x_1x_2, \dots, x_n^2, \dots, x_n^d]^\top$$

And l_w denotes the length of w . It is easy to verify $l_w = \binom{n+d}{d}$.

Example: Using SOSTOOLS/Multipoly,

```
pvar x1 x2
```

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p = 2*x1^4 + 2*x1^3*x2 - x1^2*x2^2 + 5*x2^4;
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x = [x1;x2];
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w = monomials(x, 0:4);
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```
c = poly2basis(p, w);
```

```
[c w]
```

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[ 0,      1]
[ 0,     x1]
[ 0,     x2]
[ 0,    x1^2]
[ 0,   x1*x2]
[ 0,    x2^2]
[ 0,    x1^3]
[ 0,  x1^2*x2]
[ 0,  x1*x2^2]
[ 0,    x2^3]
[ 2,    x1^4]
[ 2,  x1^3*x2]
[-1, x1^2*x2^2]
[ 0,  x1*x2^3]
[ 5,    x2^4]
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Gram Matrix Representation

If p is a polynomial of degree $\leq 2d$ in n variables then there exists a $Q = Q^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{l_z}$ such that $p = z^\top Q z$ where

$$z := [1, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, x_1^2, x_1x_2, \dots, x_n^2, \dots, x_n^d]^\top$$

The dimension of z is $l_z = \binom{n+d}{d}$. Equating coefficients of p and $z^\top Q z$ yields linear equality constraints on the entries of Q .

- Define $q := \text{vec}(Q)$ and $l_w = \binom{n+d}{d}$.
- There exists $A \in \mathbb{R}^{l_w \times l_z^2}$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}^{l_w}$ such that $p = z^\top Q z$ is equivalent to $A q = c$.
- There are $h := \frac{l_z(l_z+1)}{2} - l_w$ linearly independent homogeneous solutions $\{N_i\}_{i=1}^h$ each of which satisfies $z^\top N_i z = 0$.

Summary: All solutions to $p = z^\top Q z$ can be expressed as the sum of a particular solution and a homogeneous solution.

Gram Matrix Example

Polynomial p in two variables:

$$p = 2x_1^4 + 2x_1^3x_2 - x_1^2x_2^2 + 5x_2^4$$

Gram matrix data:

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_1x_2 \\ x_2^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -0.5 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad N = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -0.5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that $p = z^\top Qz$ and $z^\top Nz = 0$.

Hence $p = z^\top (Q + \lambda N)z$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

Positive Semidefinite (PSD) Polynomials

$p \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ is positive semi-definite (PSD) if $p(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x$.

- If p is a (homogeneous) quadratic function then the Gram matrix is unique. Moreover, p is PSD iff the Gram matrix is PSD.
- However, testing if p is PSD is NP-hard when the polynomial degree is at least four.
- Our computational procedures will be based on constructing polynomials which are PSD.

Objective: Given $p \in \mathbb{R}[x]$, we would like a polynomial-time sufficient condition for testing if p is PSD.

Sum of Squares (SOS) Polynomials

p is a sum of squares (SOS) if there exist polynomials $\{f_i\}_{i=1}^N$ such that $p = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i^2$.

- The set of SOS polynomials in n variables $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ will be denoted $\Sigma[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ or $\Sigma[x]$.
- If p is a SOS then p is PSD.
 - The Motzkin polynomial, $p = x^2y^4 + x^4y^2 + 1 - 3x^2y^2$, is PSD but not SOS.
 - Hilbert (1888) showed that the sets of PSD and SOS polynomials are equal only for: a) $n = 1$, b) $d = 2$, and c) $d = 4, n = 2$.
- p is a SOS iff $\exists Q = Q^\top \geq 0$ such that $p = z^\top Qz$.

SOS Example (Parrilo, PhD, 2000)

All possible Gram matrix representations of

$$p = 2x_1^4 + 2x_1^3x_2 - x_1^2x_2^2 + 5x_2^4$$

are given by $z^\top(Q + \lambda N)z$ where:

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_1x_2 \\ x_2^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -0.5 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad N = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -0.5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

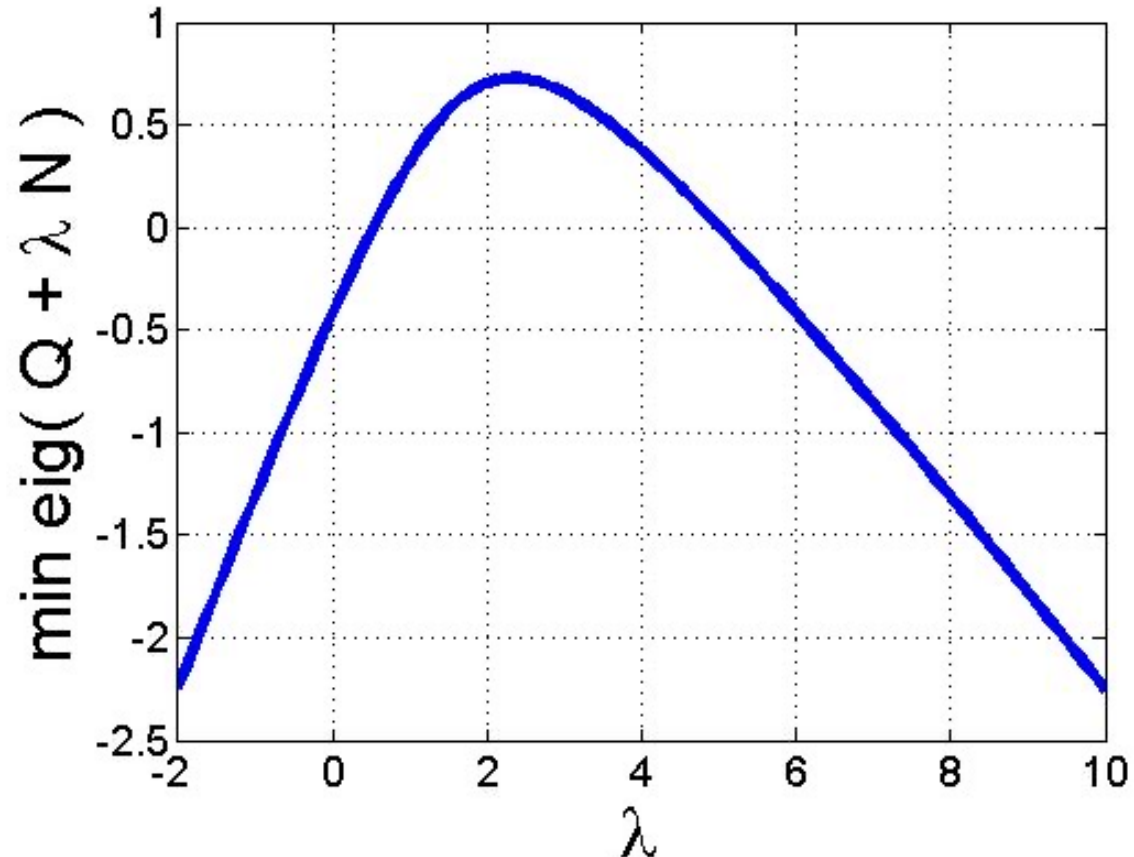
p is SOS iff $Q + \lambda N \geq 0$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

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An SOS decomposition can be constructed from a Cholesky factorization $Q + 5N = L^\top L$ where:

$$L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} p &= 2x_1^4 + 2x_1^3x_2 - x_1^2x_2^2 + 5x_2^4 \\ &= (Lz)^\top (Lz) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (2x_1^2 - 3x_2^2 + x_1x_2)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (x_2^2 + 3x_1x_2)^2 \in \Sigma[x] \end{aligned}$$

Connection to LMIs

Checking if a given polynomial p is a SOS can be done by solving a linear matrix inequality (LMI) feasibility problem.

Primal (Image) Form:

- Find $A \in \mathbb{R}^{l_w \times l_z^2}$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}^{l_w}$ such that $p = z^T Q z$ is equivalent to $A q = c$ where $q = \text{vec}(Q)$.
- p is a SOS if and only if there exists $Q \geq 0$ such that $A q = c$.

Dual (Kernel) Form:

- Let Q_0 be a particular solution of $p = z^T Q z$ and let $\{N_i\}_{i=1}^h$ be a basis for the homogeneous solutions.
- p is a SOS if and only if there exists $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^h$ such that

$$Q_0 + \sum_{i=1}^h \lambda_i N_i \geq 0.$$

SOS Feasibility

SOS Feasibility: Given polynomials $\{f_k\}_{k=0}^m$, does there exist $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m$ such that $f_0 + \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k f_k$ is a SOS?

The SOS feasibility problem can also be posed as an LMI feasibility problem since α enters linearly.

Primal (Image) Form:

- Find $A \in \mathbb{R}^{l_w \times l_z^2}$ and $c_k \in \mathbb{R}^{l_w}$ such that $f_k = z^\top Q z$ is equivalent to $A q = c_k$ where $q = \text{vec}(Q)$.
- Define $C := -[c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m] \in \mathbb{R}^{l_w \times m}$.
- There is an $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m$ such that $f_0 + \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k f_k$ is a SOS iff there exists $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $Q \geq 0$ such that $A q + C \alpha = c_0$.

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SOS Programming

SOS Programming: Given $c \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and polynomials $\{f_k\}_{k=0}^m$, solve:

$$\min_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^m} c^\top \alpha \text{ subject to: } f_0 + \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k f_k \in \Sigma[x]$$

This SOS programming problem is an SDP.

- The cost is a linear function of α .
- The SOS constraint can be replaced with either the primal or dual form LMI constraint.
- A more general SOS program can have many SOS constraints.

There is freely available software (e.g. SOSTOOLS, YALMIP, SOSOPT) that: (i) Converts the SOS program to an SDP, (ii) Solves the SDP with available codes, and (iii) Converts the SDP results back into polynomial solutions.

Complexity of SOS Feasibility Problem

Let p be a degree $2d$ polynomial in n variables. The complexity of the LMI to test if p is an SOS grows rapidly in (n, d) .

For example, the Gram matrix $Q = Q^T$ is $l_z \times l_z$ where the dependence of l_z on (n, d) is shown below.

$l_z = \begin{pmatrix} n + d \\ d \end{pmatrix}$	$2d=4$	6	8	10
$n = 2$	6	10	15	21
5	21	56	126	252
9	55	220	715	2002
14	120	680	3060	11628
16	153	969	4845	20349

SOS Programming Example

Problem: Minimize α subject to $f_0 + \alpha f_1 \in \Sigma[x]$ where

$$f_0(x) := -x_1^4 + 2x_1^3x_2 + 9x_1^2x_2^2 - 2x_2^4$$

$$f_1(x) := x_1^4 + x_2^4$$

For every $\alpha, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, the Gram Matrix Decomposition equality is:

$$f_0 + \alpha f_1 = z^\top (Q_0 + \alpha Q_1 + \lambda N_1) z$$

where

$$z := \begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_1x_2 \\ x_2^2 \end{bmatrix}, Q_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 4.5 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4.5 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, Q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, N_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -0.5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus the problem is equivalent to the SDP

$$\min_{\alpha, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \alpha \text{ subject to: } Q_0 + \alpha Q_1 + \lambda N_1 \geq 0$$

SOS Programming Example

Use SOSTOOLS to minimize α subject to $f_0 + \alpha f_1 \in \Sigma[x]$.

```
% Define polynomials in the SOS optimization
```

```
pvar x1 x2 alpha;
```

```
f0 = -x1^4 + 2*x1^3*x2 + 9*x1^2*x2^2 - 2*x2^4;
```

```
f1 = x1^4 + x2^4;
```

```
% Solve the SOS optimization
```

```
prog = sosprogram([x1;x2]);
```

```
prog = sosdecvar(prog,alpha);
```

```
prog = sosineq(prog,f0+alpha*f1);
```

```
prog = sossetobj(prog,alpha);
```

```
prog = sossolve(prog);
```

```
% Define polynomial variables
```

```
% Define decision variable
```

```
% Define SOS constraint
```

```
% Define objective function
```

```
% Solve optimization
```

```
alphaOPT = sosgetsol(prog,alpha)
```

```
% Get optimal solution
```

```
alphaOPT = 2
```

Global Stability Conditions Using SOS

Revisit the autonomous nonlinear dynamical system

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t))$$

where $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the state at time t and $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. Assume f is a polynomial function of x and $f(0) = 0$

Theorem: Let $l_1, l_2 \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ be given with $l_i(0) = 0$ and $l_i(x) > 0 \forall x$ ($i = 1, 2$). The point $x = 0$ is a globally asymptotically stable (GAS) equilibrium if $\exists V \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ such that:

- $V(0) = 0$
- $V - l_1 \in \Sigma[x]$
- $-\nabla V \cdot f - l_2 \in \Sigma[x]$

Proof: The conditions imply that V is pos. def, decrescent, and radially unbounded. Moreover, $-\nabla V \cdot f$ is a positive definite. Hence V is a Lyapunov function that proves $x = 0$ is GAS.

Global Stability Example

The following example is `sosdemo2` in `SOSTOOLS`. See Section 4.2 of `SOSTOOLS User's Manual`.

```
% Constructing the vector field dx/dt = f
pvar x1 x2 x3; vars = [x1; x2; x3];
f = [(-x1^3-x1*x3^2)*(x3^2+1); (-x2-x1^2*x2)*(x3^2+1); ...
     (-x3+3*x1^2*x3)*(x3^2+1)-3*x3];
% SOS Program
prog = sosprogram(vars);
[prog,V] = sospolyvar(prog,[x1^2; x2^2; x3^2],'wscoeff');
prog = sosineq(prog,V-(x1^2+x2^2+x3^2));
expr = -(diff(V,x1)*f(1)+diff(V,x2)*f(2)+diff(V,x3)*f(3));
prog = sosineq(prog,expr);
solver_opt.solver = 'sedumi';
prog = sossolve(prog,solver_opt);
SOLV = sosgetsol(prog,V)
      SOLV = 6.6589*x1^2 + 4.6277*x2^2 + 2.0734*x3^2
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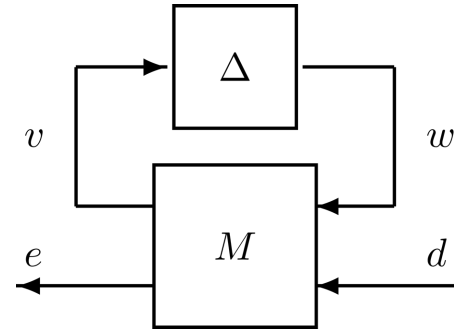
Constructing Storage Functions With SOS & IQC

We can combine SOS and IQC techniques. Consider an uncertain system $F_U(M, \Delta)$ where:

1. M is described by polynomial dynamics:

$$\dot{x} = f(x, w, d), \quad v = g_1(x, w, d) \quad e = g_2(x, w, d)$$

2. Δ satisfies the QC defined by $J = J^\top$.



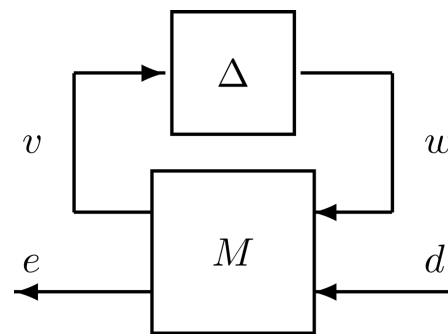
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Theorem: $F_U(M, \Delta)$ has L_2 gain $\leq \gamma$ if $\exists V \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ such that:

- $V(0) = 0$
- $V \in \Sigma[x]$

- $-\left(\nabla V^\top f + (e^\top e - \gamma^2 d^\top d) + \begin{bmatrix} v \\ w \end{bmatrix}^\top J \begin{bmatrix} v \\ w \end{bmatrix}\right) \in \Sigma[x, w, d]$

Comments:

- The last condition is a dissipation ineq. with IQC. It is a polynomial in (x, w, d) after substituting for (v, e) using the output equations of M .
- These conditions can be checked as an SOS optimization.

Equilibrium Independent Dissipativity

Recall the Equilibrium Independent Dissipativity (EID) conditions

$$V(\bar{x}, \bar{x}) = 0, \quad \nabla_x V(x, \bar{x})^\top f(x, u) \leq s(u - \bar{u}, y - \bar{y}) \quad (1)$$

where \bar{u}, \bar{y} are functions of \bar{x} through $f(\bar{x}, \bar{u}) = 0, \bar{y} = h(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$.

Assume system defined by polynomial f, h and the supply rate s is also polynomial. Recall $\mathbb{R}[x]$ set of all polynomials and $\Sigma[x]$ all SOS polynomials in x . SOS formulation for EID:

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla_x V(x, \bar{x})^\top f(x, u) + s(u - \bar{u}, h(x, u) - h(\bar{x}, \bar{u})) \\ + r(x, u, \bar{x}, \bar{u}) f(\bar{x}, \bar{u}) \in \Sigma[x, u, \bar{x}, \bar{u}] \\ r(x, u, \bar{x}, \bar{u}) \in \mathbb{R}[x, u, \bar{x}, \bar{u}] \end{aligned}$$

To enforce $V(\bar{x}, \bar{x}) = 0$ take $V(x, \bar{x}) = (x - \bar{x})^\top Q(x, \bar{x})(x - \bar{x})$ where $Q(x, \bar{x})$ is a pos.def. symmetric matrix of polynomials.

Note: \bar{x}, \bar{u} are independent variables in the SOS program, but the term $r(x, u, \bar{x}, \bar{u}) f(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ ensures (1) holds when $f(\bar{x}, \bar{u}) = 0$.

Delta Dissipativity

Recall the delta dissipativity conditions:

$$S(x, u) = 0 \Leftrightarrow f(x, u) = 0$$

$$\nabla_x S(x, u)^\top f(x, u) + \nabla_u S(x, u)^\top v \leq s(v, w) \quad \forall x, u, v$$

where $w := \nabla_x h(x, u)^\top f(x, u) + \nabla_u h(x, u)^\top v$.

SOS formulation:

$$s(v, w(x, u, v)) - (\nabla_x S(x, u)^\top f(x, u) + \nabla_u S(x, u)^\top v) \in \Sigma[x, u, v]$$

where $S(x, u) = \psi(x, u)^\top P(x, u)\psi(x, u)$ with user-specified ψ s.t.

$$\psi(x, u) = 0 \Leftrightarrow f(x, u) = 0$$

and P symmetric matrix of polynomials, enforced to be pos.def. by

$$l^\top (P(x, u) - \delta I)l \in \Sigma[x, u, l], \quad \delta > 0$$

Generalizations

- Dynamic IQCs (Ψ, J) can be combined with the search for polynomial storage functions.
- “Local” conditions can be constructed to estimate regions of attraction or local input/output gains.
 - These conditions involve set containment constraints that can be relaxed via Lagrange multipliers (S-procedure).
 - This typically leads to non-convex, bilinear SOS conditions.
 - Various heuristic iterations have been developed to approximately solve these conditions.

Time-Varying Systems



Wind Turbine
Periodic /
Parameter-Varying



Flexible Aircraft
Parameter-Varying



Vega Launcher
Time-Varying
(Source: ESA)



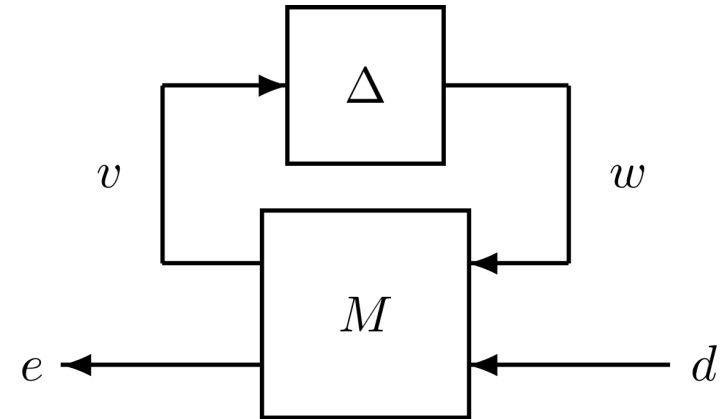
Robotics
Time-Varying
(Source: ReWalk)

The IQC/DI results can be extended to assess the robustness of time-varying systems.

(Robust) Finite-Horizon Analysis

Uncertain LTV System

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}(t) \\ v(t) \\ e(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A(t) & B_1(t) & B_2(t) \\ C_1(t) & D_1(t) & D_2(t) \\ C_2(t) & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ w(t) \\ d(t) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$x(0) = 0$$



Uncertainty set Δ can be block-structured with parametric / non-parametric uncertainties and nonlinearities.

Analysis Objective

Derive bound on $\|e(T)\|_2$ that holds for all disturbances $\|d\|_{2,[0,T]} \leq 1$ and uncertainties $\Delta \in \Delta$ on the horizon $[0, T]$.

Integral Quadratic Constraints (IQCs)

The robustness analysis uses constraints on the I/O behavior of Δ expressed as (time-domain) IQCs.

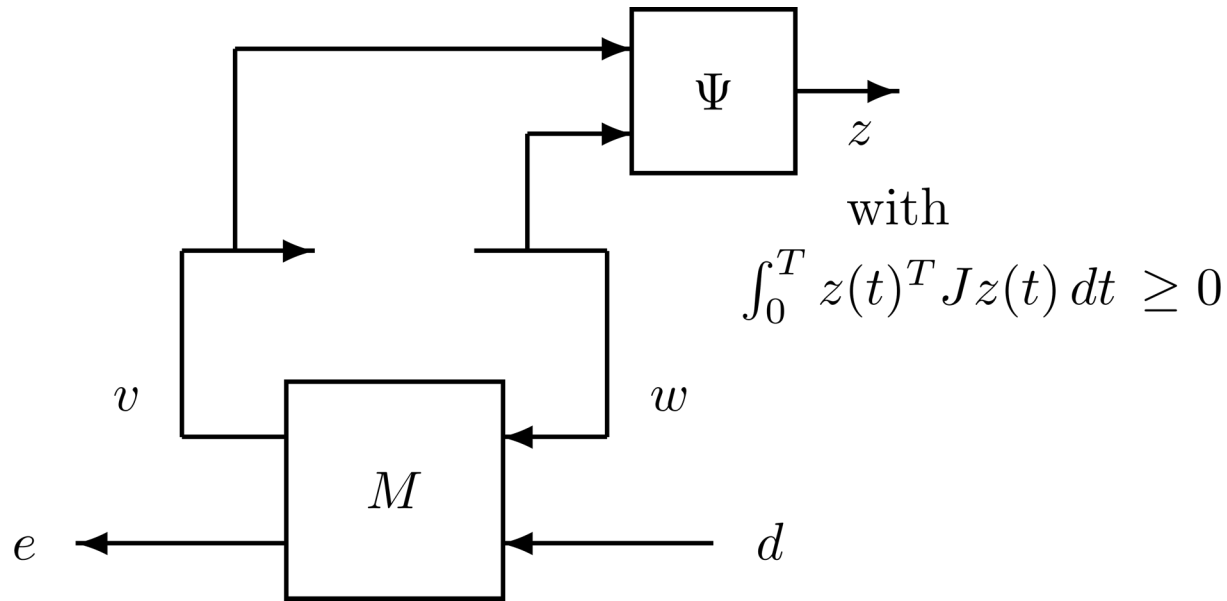
Definition: Δ satisfies the finite-horizon IQC defined by a stable filter Ψ and a matrix $J = J^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{(n_v+n_w) \times (n_v+n_w)}$ if every $v \in L_2[0, T]$ and $w = \Delta(v)$ satisfies:

$$\int_0^T z(t)^\top J z(t) dt \geq 0$$

Comments:

- The analysis that follows only requires the IQC to hold over the finite horizon $[0, T]$.
- The filter Ψ and matrix J can be time-varying with only notational changes, e.g. we could have a QC with time-varying sector bounds.

Robustness Analysis



The robustness analysis is performed on the extended (LTV) system of (J, Ψ) using the constraint on z .

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_e(t) \\ z(t) \\ e(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}(t) & \mathcal{B}_1(t) & \mathcal{B}_2(t) \\ \mathcal{C}_1(t) & \mathcal{D}_1(t) & \mathcal{D}_2(t) \\ \mathcal{C}_2(t) & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_e(t) \\ w(t) \\ d(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Robust Finite Horizon Analysis

Theorem [1,2]

Assume Δ satisfies the IQC defined by (Ψ, J) .

If there exists $P(\cdot) = P(\cdot)^\top$ such that

(i) $P(T) = \mathcal{C}_2(T)^\top \mathcal{C}_2(T)$, and

(ii) $V(x, t) := x^\top P(t)x$ satisfies

$$\frac{d}{dt}V(x, t) - \gamma^2 d(t)^\top d(t) + z(t)^\top Jz(t) \leq 0 \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$$

then $\|e(T)\|_2 \leq \gamma \|d\|_{2, [0, T]}$

Proof

Integrate dissipation inequality from $t = 0$ to $t = T$:

$$\underbrace{V(x(T), T)}_{=e(T)^\top e(T)} - \underbrace{V(x(0), 0)}_{=0} - \gamma^2 \int_0^T d(t)^\top d(t) dt + \underbrace{\int_0^T z(t)^\top Jz(t) dt}_{\geq 0} \leq 0$$

[1] Moore, Finite Horizon Robustness Analysis using IQCs, MS Thesis, Berkeley, 2015.

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$$\frac{d}{dt}V(x, t) - \gamma^2 d(t)^\top d(t) + z(t)^\top J z(t) \leq 0 \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$$

then $\|e(T)\|_2 \leq \gamma \|d\|_{2, [0, T]}$

Dissipation inequality can be recast as a differential LMI:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{P} + \mathcal{A}^\top P + P\mathcal{A} & P\mathcal{B}_1 & P\mathcal{B}_2 \\ \mathcal{B}_1^\top P & 0 & 0 \\ \mathcal{B}_2^\top P & 0 & -\gamma^2 I \end{bmatrix} + (\cdot)^\top J \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{C}_1 & \mathcal{D}_1 & \mathcal{D}_2 \end{bmatrix} \preceq 0$$

$$\forall t \in [0, T]$$

[1] Moore, Finite Horizon Robustness Analysis using IQCs, MS Thesis, Berkeley, 2015.

[2] Seiler, Moore, Meissen, Arcak, Packard, Finite Horizon Robustness Analysis of LTV Systems Using IQCs, arXiv 2018 and Automatica 2019.

Numerical Algorithms and Software

- **Robustness Algorithms**

- Differential LMI can be “solved” via convex optimization using basis functions for $P(\cdot)$ and gridding on time [1].
- A more efficient algorithm mixes the differential LMI and a related Riccati Differential Equation condition [2].
- Similar methods developed for LPV [4,5] and periodic systems [6].

- **LTVTools Software [3]**

- Time-varying state space system objects, e.g. obtained from Simulink snapshot linearizations.
- Includes functions for nominal and robustness analyses.

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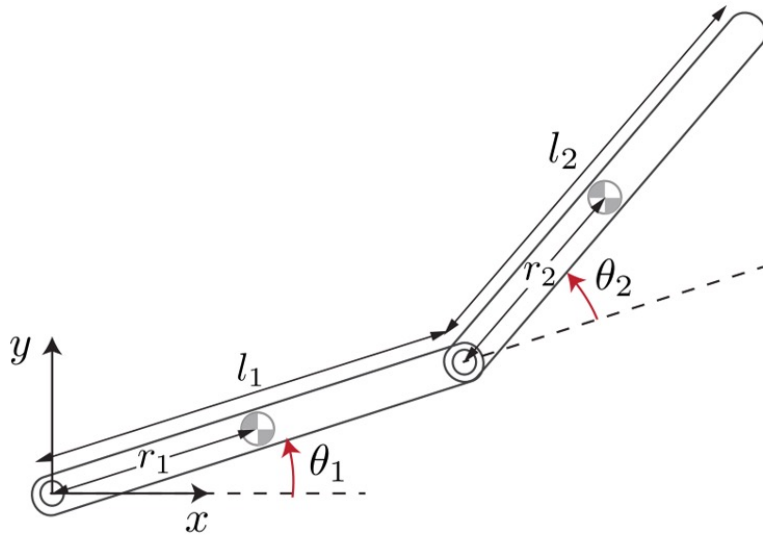
[3] <https://z.umn.edu/LTVTools>

[4] Pfifer & Seiler, Less Conservative Robustness Analysis of LPV Systems Using IQCs, IJRNC, 2016.

[5] Hjartarson, Packard, Seiler, LPVTools: A Toolbox for Modeling, Analysis, & Synthesis of LPV Systems, 2015.

[6] Fry, Farhood, Seiler, IQC-based robustness analysis of discrete-time LTV systems, IJRNC 2017.

Two-Link Robot Arm



Two-Link Diagram [1]

Nonlinear dynamics [MZS]:

$$\dot{\eta} = f(\eta, \tau, d)$$

where

$$\eta = [\theta_1, \dot{\theta}_1, \theta_2, \dot{\theta}_2]^T$$

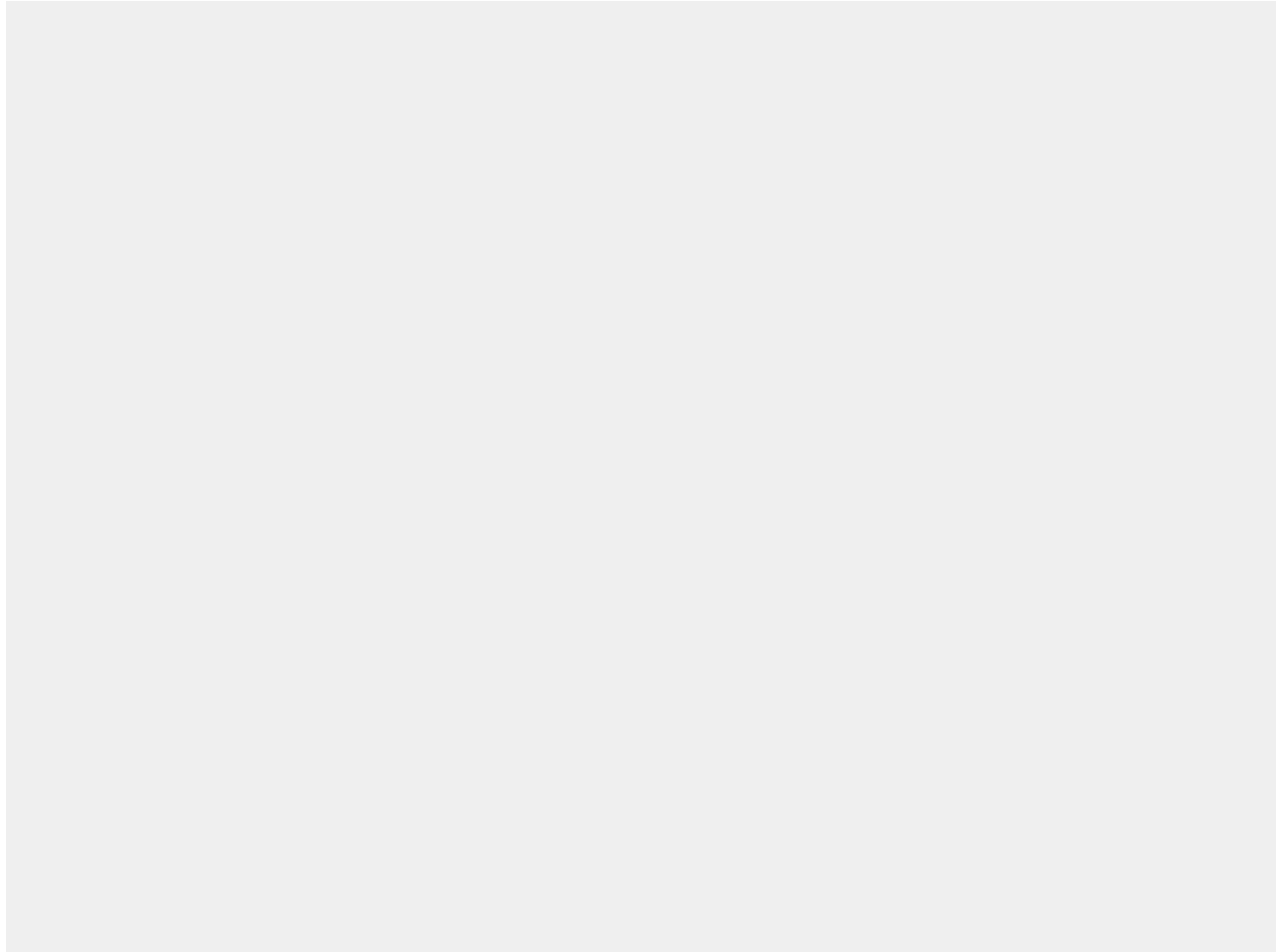
$$\tau = [\tau_1, \tau_2]^T$$

$$d = [d_1, d_2]^T$$

τ and d are control torques and disturbances at the link joints.

[1] R. Murray, Z. Li, and S. Sastry. *A Mathematical Introduction to Robot Manipulation*, 1994.

Nominal Trajectory in Cartesian Coordinates



Analysis

Nonlinear dynamics:

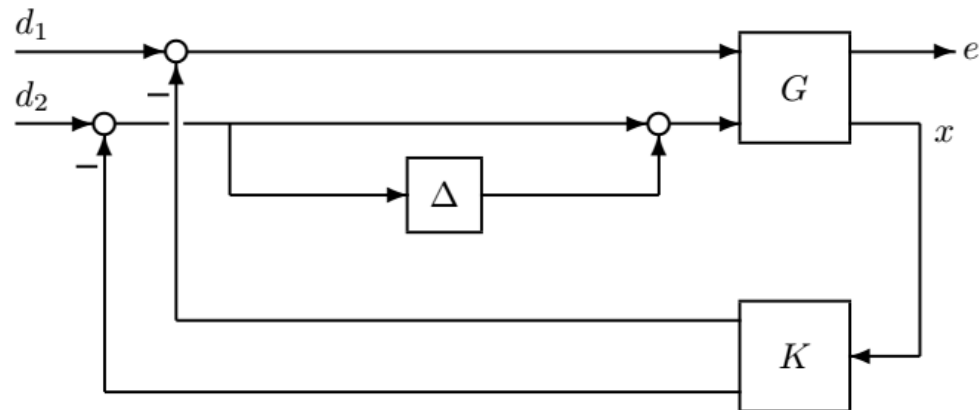
$$\dot{\eta} = f(\eta, \tau, d)$$

Linearize along the finite –horizon trajectory ($\bar{\eta}, \bar{\tau}, d = 0$)

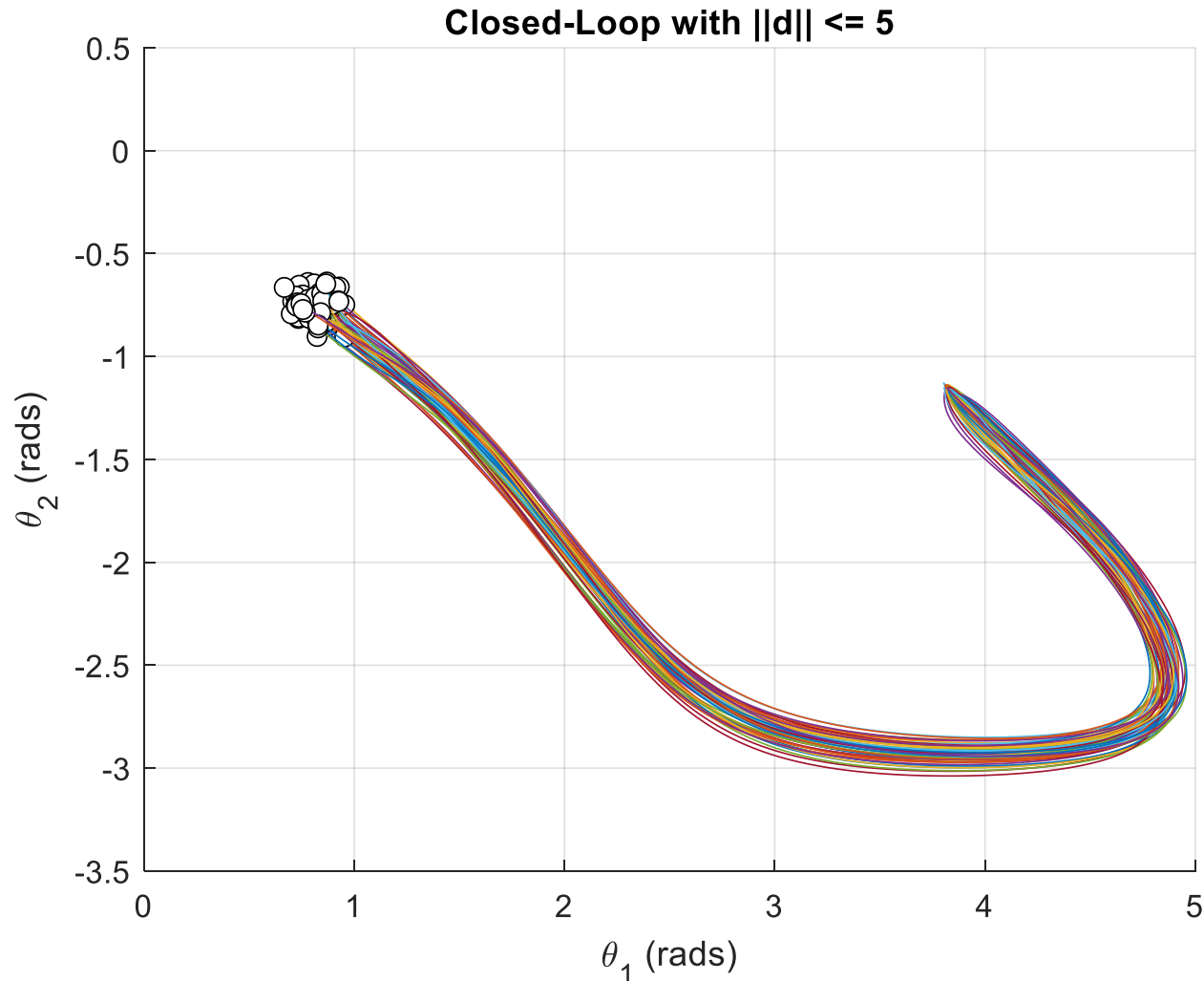
$$\dot{x} = A(t)x + B(t)u + B(t)d$$

Design finite-horizon state-feedback LQR gain.

Goal: Compute bound on the final position accounting for disturbances and LTI uncertainty Δ at 2nd joint.

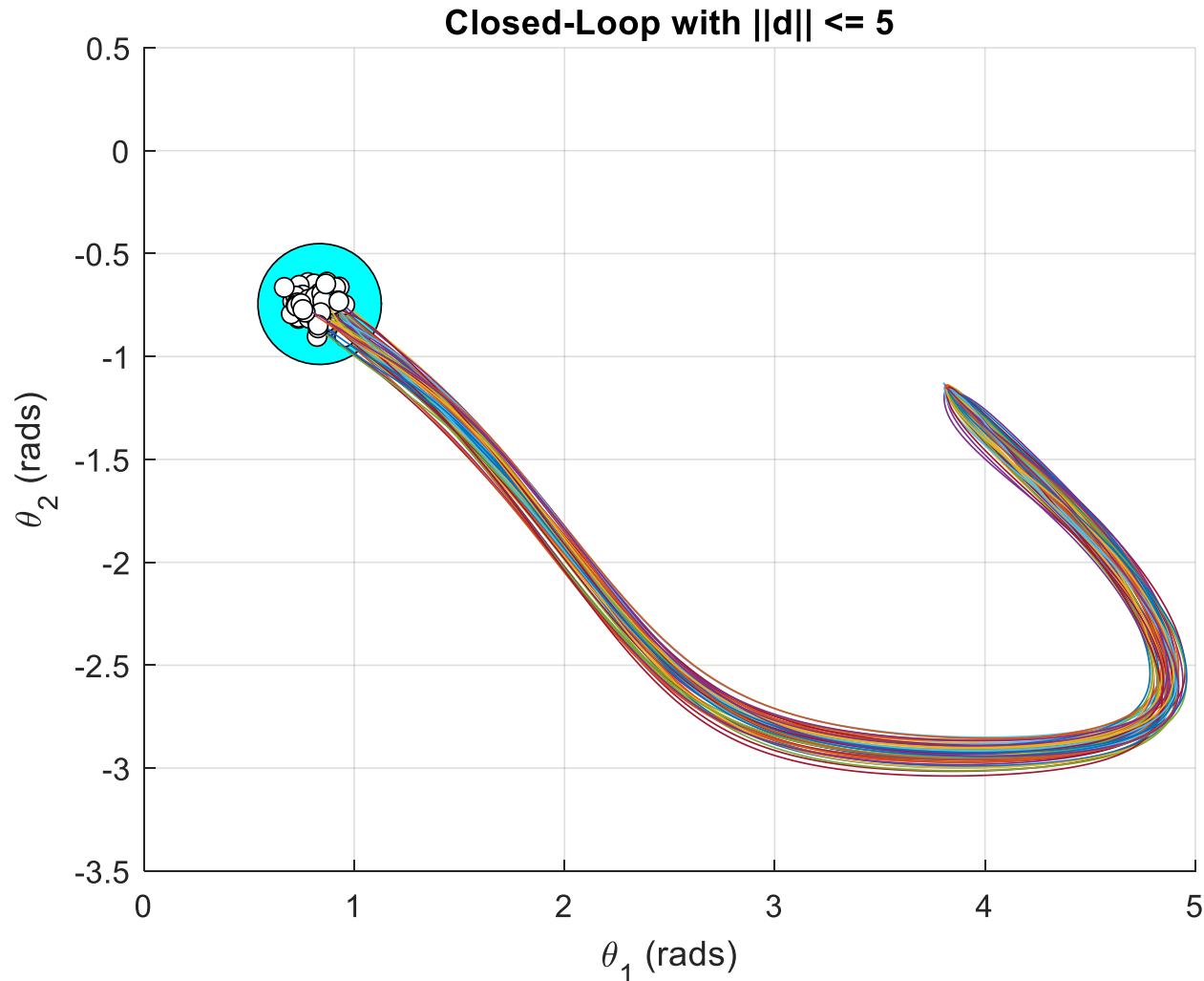


Monte-Carlo Simulations



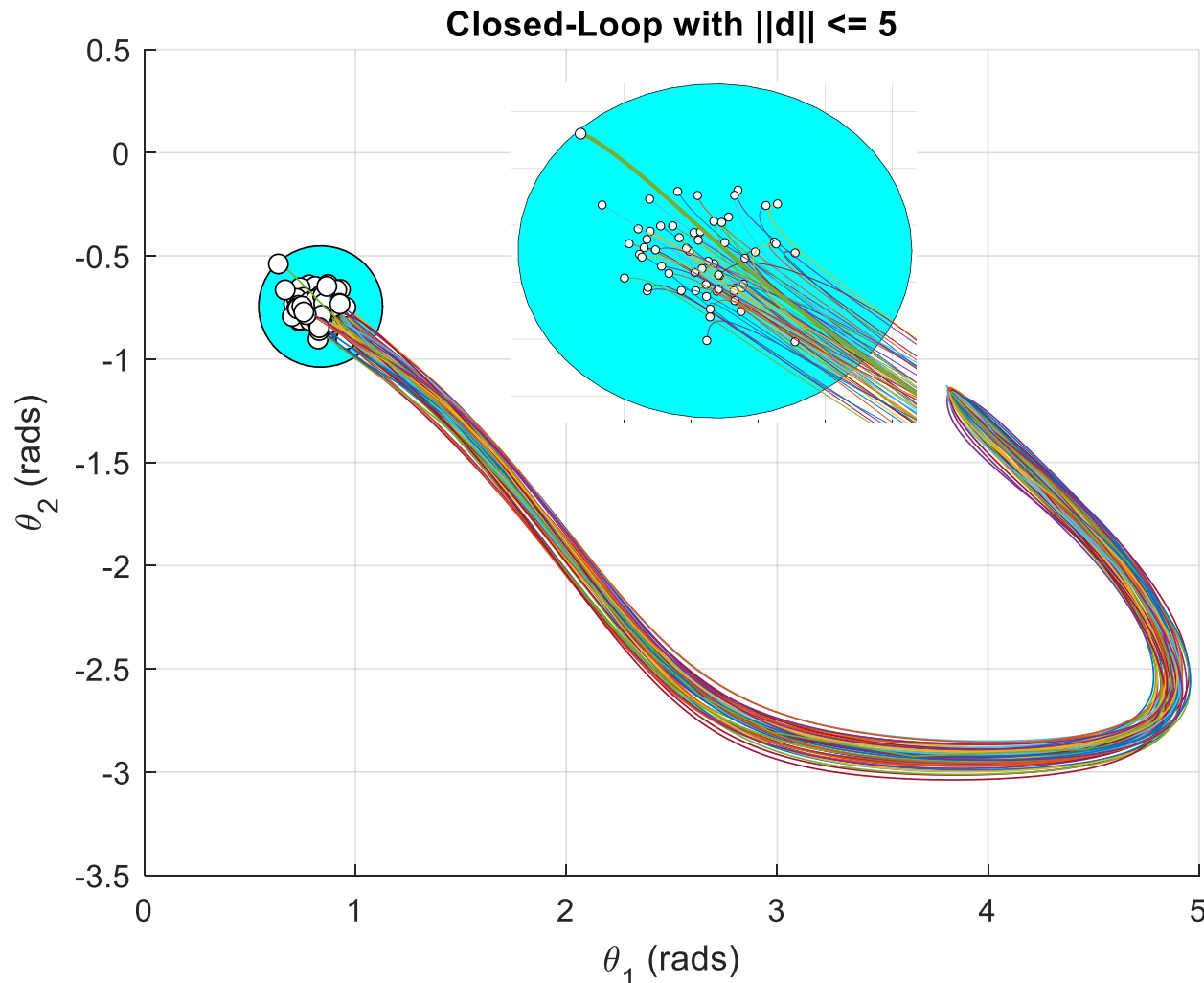
LTV simulations with randomly sampled disturbances and uncertainties (overlaid on nominal trajectory).

Robustness Bound



Cyan disk is bound computed in 102 sec using IQC/DI method
Bound accounts for disturbances $\|d\| \leq 5$ and $\|\Delta\| \leq 0.8$

Worst-Case Uncertainty / Disturbance



Randomly sample Δ to find “bad” perturbation and compute corresponding worst-case disturbance using method in [1].

[1] Iannelli, Seiler, Marcos, Construction of worst-case disturbances for LTV systems..., 2019.

Intermezzo

Given two functions $p, q : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ how can we show

$$\{x : p(x) \leq 0\} \subseteq \{x : q(x) \leq 0\} \quad (1)$$

i.e., $p(x) \leq 0 \Rightarrow q(x) \leq 0$?

If we can find $\lambda : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that

$$\lambda(x)p(x) - q(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad (2)$$

then $q(x) \leq \lambda(x)p(x)$ and, since $\lambda(x) \geq 0$, $p(x) \leq 0 \Rightarrow q(x) \leq 0$.

The idea of using the nonnegativity property (2) to show the set containment (1) is called the **S-procedure** in control theory.

When p, q are polynomials we can apply the S procedure with SOS programming: find polynomial $\lambda(x)$ such that

$$\lambda(x) \in \Sigma[x]$$

$$\lambda(x)p(x) - q(x) \in \Sigma[x]$$

Nonlinear Reachability Analysis

1. Forward Reachability: Bounding trajectories from a set of initial conditions in the presence of disturbances and unmodeled dynamics

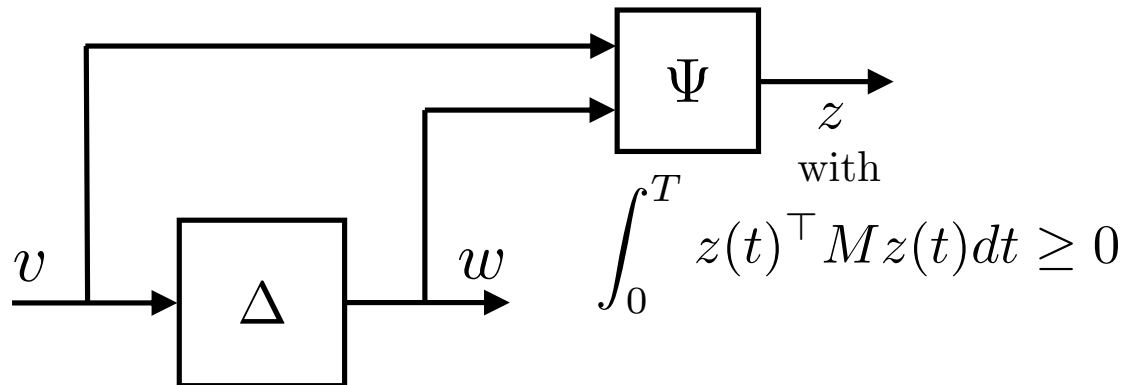
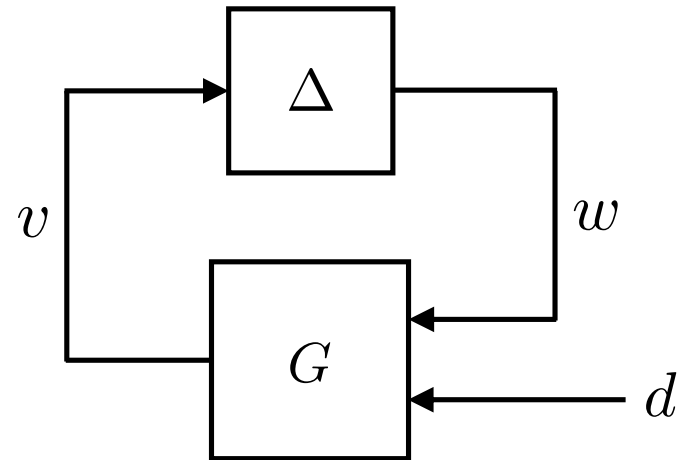
G : nominal plant model

$$\dot{x}_G = f(x_G, w, d)$$

$$v = h(x_G, w, d)$$

d : disturbance

Δ : unmodeled dynamics characterized by IQC:



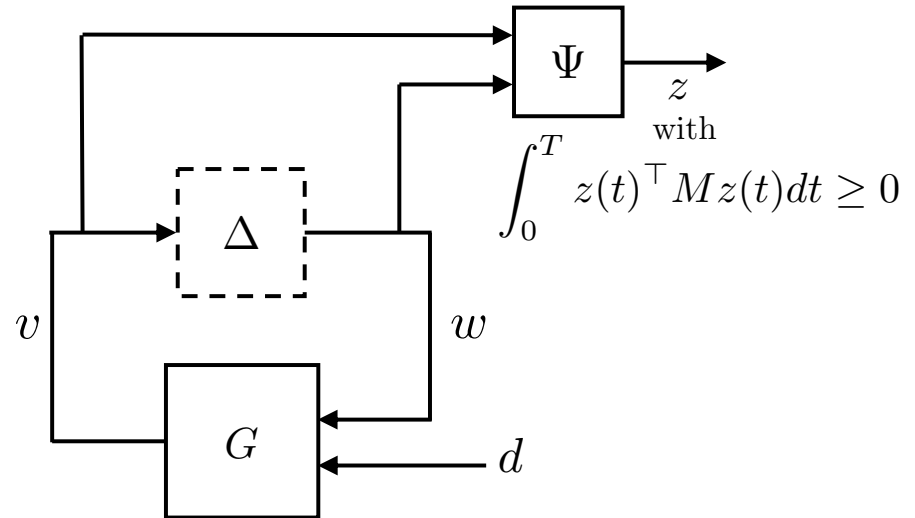
Nonlinear Reachability Analysis

Goal: Given set of initial conditions X_0 find an outer bound on trajectories at time T for all Δ satisfying the IQC and for all d s.t. $\|d\|_{\mathcal{L}_2, [0, T]} \leq R$.

Lump plant and filter into single model with state $x = [x_G; x_\Psi]$:

$$\dot{x} = F(x, w, d)$$

$$z = H(x, w, d)$$

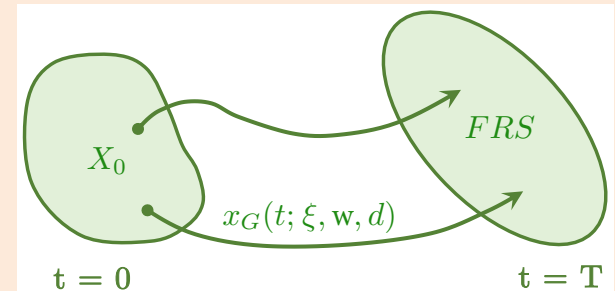


If \exists storage function $(t, x) \mapsto V(t, x)$ s.t.

$$\dot{V}(t, x, w, d) + z^\top M z \leq d^\top d \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$$

$$X_0 \times \{0_{n_\Psi}\} \subseteq \{x : V(0, x) \leq 0\}$$

then projection of $\{x : V(T, x) \leq R^2\}$ onto x_G subspace \supset FRS.



Nonlinear Reachability Analysis

Proof by integrating dissipation inequality from 0 to T :

$$V(T, x(T)) - V(0, x(0)) + \underbrace{\int_0^T z(\tau)^\top M z(\tau) d\tau}_{\geq 0} \leq \underbrace{\int_0^T d(t)^\top d(t) dt}_{\leq R^2}$$

Then, $x_G(0) \in X_0, x_\Psi(0) = 0 \Rightarrow V(0, x(0)) \leq 0 \Rightarrow V(T, x(T)) \leq R^2$

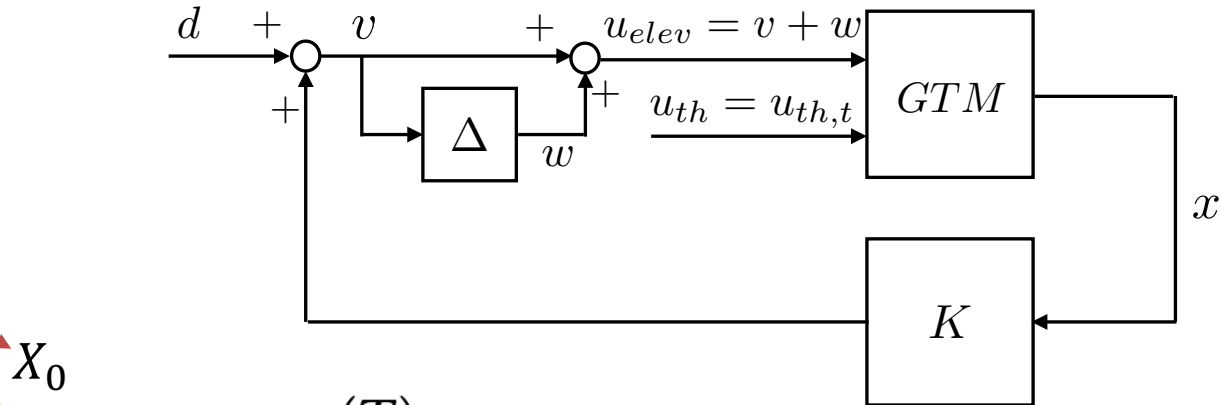
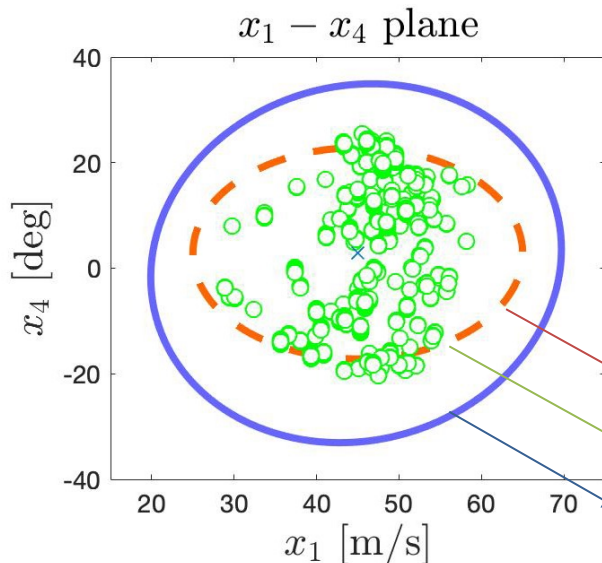
SOS procedure to find V :

- Use semi-algebraic (sublevel set of polynomial) representation of X_0 and polynomial approximation of system model
- View dissipation inequality as a nonnegativity constraint
- Turn set containment condition $X_0 \times \{0_{n_\Psi}\} \subseteq \{x : V(0, x) \leq 0\}$ to nonnegativity constraint with S-procedure
- SOS relaxation for nonnegativity; SOS then translated into SDP

Nonlinear Reachability Analysis

Example: Generic Transport Model (GTM)

- 5.5% scale commercial aircraft
- State variables: airspeed (x_1), angle of attack (x_2), pitch rate (x_3), pitch angle (x_4)
- Controls: elevator deflection (u_{elev}), engine throttle (u_{th})
- X_0 : ellipsoid around the equilibrium
- Disturbance and unmodeled dynamics in elevator control channel:



FRS estimate for $\|d\|_{\mathcal{L}_2, [0, T]} \leq 0.004$, $\|\Delta\|_{\mathcal{L}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_2} \leq 0.4$

Nonlinear Reachability Analysis

2. Backward Reachability: Given target set X_T find a set of initial states (BRS) and a controller that drives states from BRS to X_T

G : nominal plant model

$$\dot{x}_G = f(x_G, w, d) + g(x_G, w, d)u$$

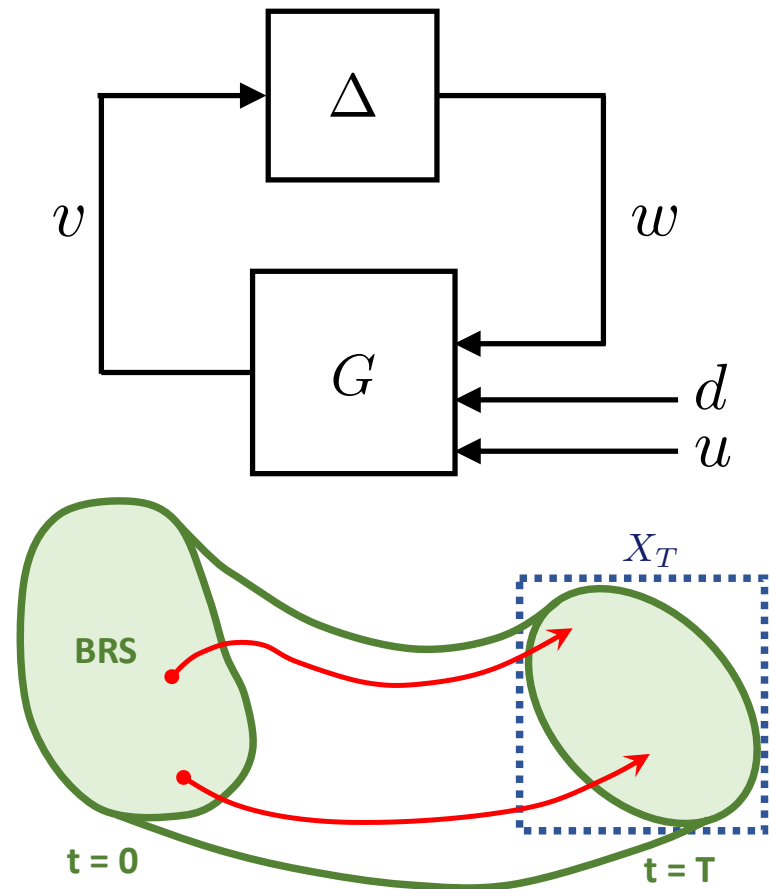
$$v = h(x_G, w, d)$$

d : disturbance

Δ : unmodeled dynamics
characterized by IQC as before

Control design now part of
the formulation:

$$u(t) = k(t, x_G(t))$$

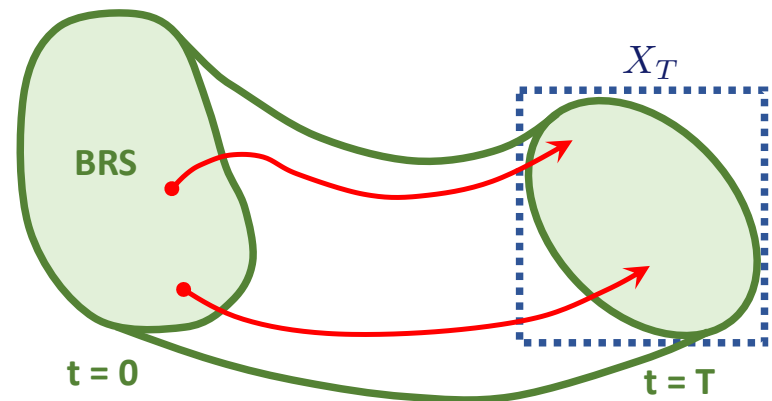


Nonlinear Reachability Analysis

If \exists storage function $(t, x) \mapsto V(t, x)$ and control $u(t) = k(t, x_G(t))$:
$$\partial_t V(t, x) + \partial_x V(t, x) \cdot F(x, w, d, k(t, x_G)) + z^\top M z \leq d^\top d \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$$
$$\{x_G : V(T, [x_G; x_\Psi]) \leq R^2 \exists x_\Psi\} \subseteq X_T$$

then $\{x_G : V(0, [x_G; 0]) \leq 0\}$ is a BRS inner approximation.

- Can use SOS to search for V and k by restricting V, k, F, H to be polynomials and X_T to be semi-algebraic
- The dissipation inequality is bilinear in V and k . Alternate the search between the two.
- BRS inner-approximation is useful even if we don't commit to using the control k obtained along with the approximation.



Nonlinear Reachability Analysis

Example: Six-state quadrotor model

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_3,$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_4,$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = u_1 K \sin(x_5),$$

$$\dot{x}_4 = u_1 K \cos(x_5) - g_n,$$

$$\dot{x}_5 = x_6,$$

$$\dot{x}_6 = -d_0 x_5 - d_1 x_6 + n_0 u_2$$

x_1 : horizontal position

x_2 : vertical position

x_3 : horizontal velocity

x_4 : vertical velocity

x_5 : roll

x_6 : roll velocity

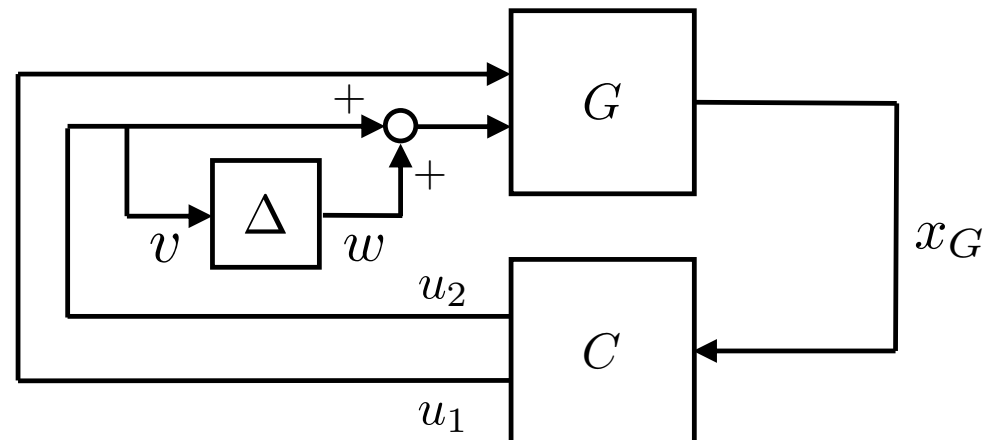


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$u_1 \in [-1.5, 1.5] + g_n/K$: total thrust

$u_2 \in [-\pi/12, \pi/12]$: desired roll angle

Additive uncertainty Δ acting on u_2 :

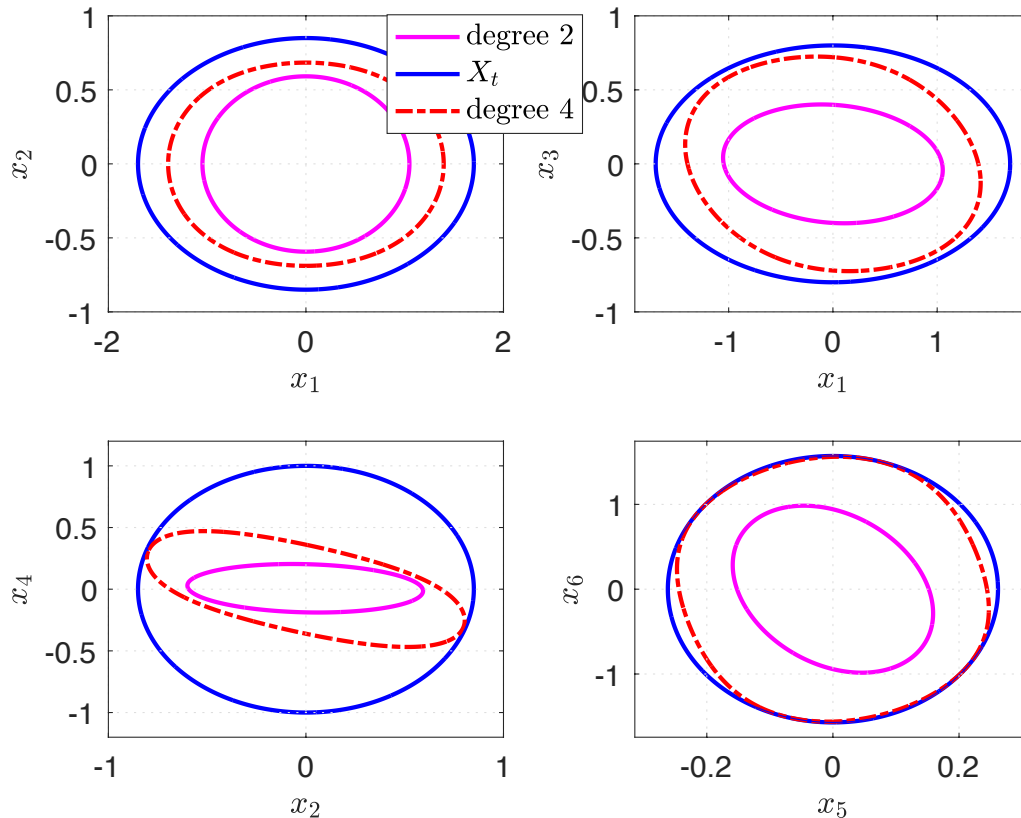


Nonlinear Reachability Analysis

Example: Six-state quadrotor model
BRS inner-approximation with
degree-2 and degree-4 polynomial
storage functions:



Credit: DJI



- $\|\Delta\|_{\mathcal{L}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_2} \leq 0.2$
- Computation times:
18 min. for degree-2;
60 min for degree-4
- Higher degree: tighter
approximation but
longer computation

Nonlinear Reachability Analysis

Key take-aways:

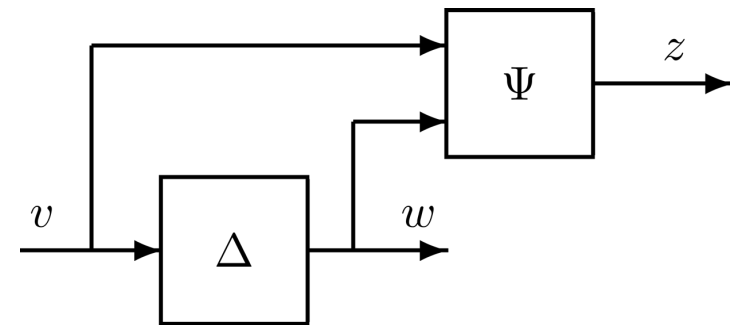
- We can account for dynamic uncertainty in reachability analysis
- Dissipation formulation played a key role:
 - to accommodate dynamic uncertainty (described by IQCs) and disturbances simultaneously
 - to translate analysis/synthesis to optimization problems, via S-procedure and SOS programming
- No gridding of state space required (unlike Hamilton-Jacobi or symbolic control methods, which suffer exponential growth in complexity with state dimension).
- However, scalability is still a challenge for the SOS procedures mentioned

Discrete-Time IQCs

We can define discrete-time IQCs analogously to their continuous-time counterparts. In this case, “summation quadratic constraints” (SQC) would be more appropriate terminology but we’ll continue to use “IQCs”.

Definition: A discrete-time system Δ satisfies the IQC defined by a stable filter Ψ and a matrix $J = J^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{(n_v+n_w) \times (n_v+n_w)}$ if every $v \in \ell_2$ and $w = \Delta(v)$ satisfies:

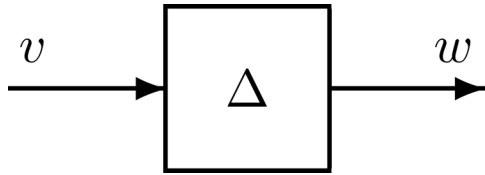
$$\sum_{t=0}^T z(t)^\top J z(t) \geq 0 \quad \forall T \geq 0$$



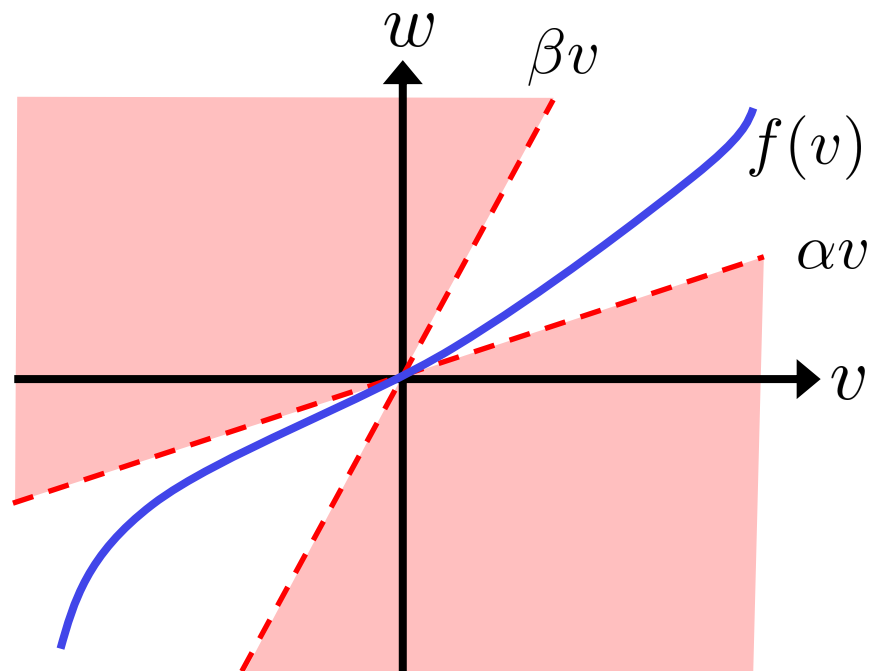
Most continuous-time IQCs have similar discrete-time versions.

We’ll briefly discuss a few cases on the next slides.

Example: Sector-bounded Nonlinearity



Suppose Δ is a nonlinearity, $w = f(v)$, whose graph lies in the sector $[\alpha, \beta]$.



$$(w(t) - \alpha v(t)) \cdot (\beta v(t) - w(t)) \geq 0$$

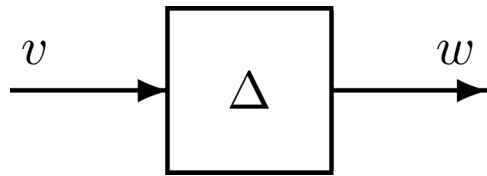


$$\begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ w(t) \end{bmatrix}^\top \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -2\alpha\beta & \alpha + \beta \\ \alpha + \beta & -2 \end{bmatrix}}_{:=J} \begin{bmatrix} v(t) \\ w(t) \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$$

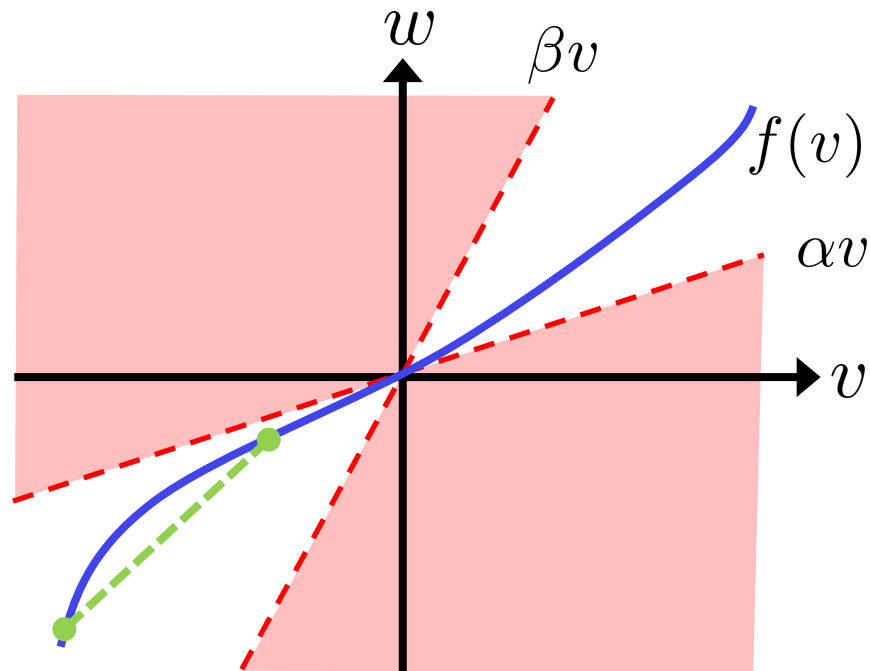


Δ satisfies the static QC defined by J .

Example: Slope-Restricted Nonlinearity



Suppose Δ is a nonlinearity, $w = f(v)$, whose slope lies in $[\alpha, \beta]$ and $f(0) = 0$.



$$\alpha \leq \frac{w(t_1) - w(t_2)}{v(t_1) - v(t_2)} \leq \beta \quad \forall v(t_1) \neq v(t_2)$$



$$(\delta_w - \alpha\delta_v) \cdot (\beta\delta_v - \delta_w) \geq 0$$

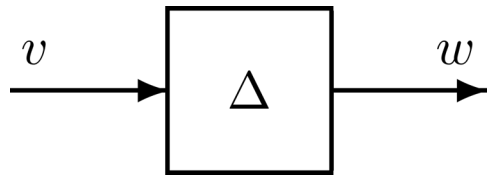
where $\delta_w := w(t_1) - w(t_2)$
and $\delta_v := v(t_1) - v(t_2)$



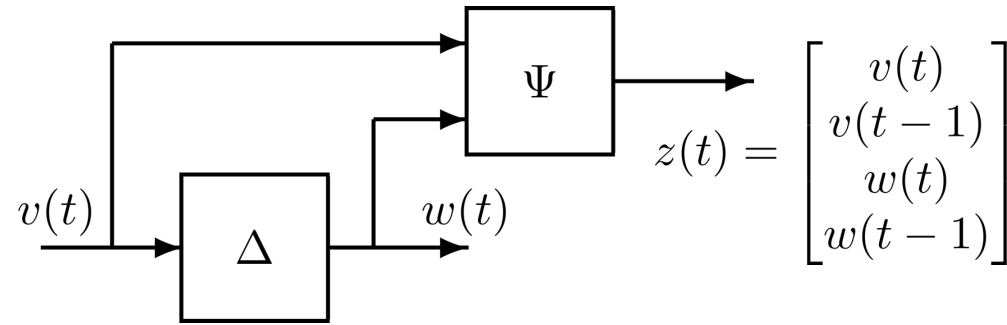
$$\begin{bmatrix} v(t_1) \\ v(t_2) \\ w(t_1) \\ w(t_2) \end{bmatrix}^\top J \begin{bmatrix} v(t_1) \\ v(t_2) \\ w(t_1) \\ w(t_2) \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$$

$$J := (\cdot)^\top \begin{bmatrix} -2\alpha\beta & \alpha + \beta \\ \alpha + \beta & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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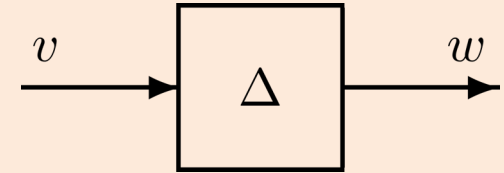
Define Ψ as the system shown above. It contains delays to store $v(t - 1)$ and $w(t - 1)$. Then, Δ satisfies the IQC defined by (Ψ, J) .

- This is called the “off-by-one” IQC [Lessard, Recht, Packard, 2016].
- This leads to the more general Zames-Falb IQC [Carrasco, et al, 2019; Scherer, 2022; Zames, Falb, 1968].

Slope-Restricted Nonlinearity

Wake-up Problems

Suppose Δ is a nonlinearity, $w = f(v)$, whose slope lies in $[\alpha, \beta] := [0, 1]$ and $f(0) = 0$.

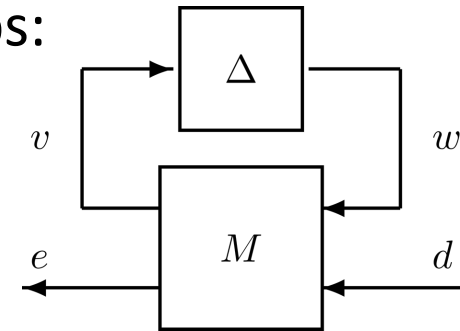


- 1) Write a quadratic constraints on $[v(t), w(t)]^T$ representing the sector constraint at time t .
- 2) Write a quadratic constraints on $[v(t - 1), w(t - 1)]^T$ representing the sector constraint at time $t - 1$.
- 3) Write a quadratic constraints on $[v(t), v(t - 1), w(t), w(t - 1)]^T$ representing the slope constraint at times t and $t - 1$.
- 4) Write a general QC formed by the conic combination of the QCs created in parts a)-c). Note that you can scale QC i by a non-negative constant λ_i for $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Constructing storage functions using IQCs

The analysis procedure consists of the following steps:

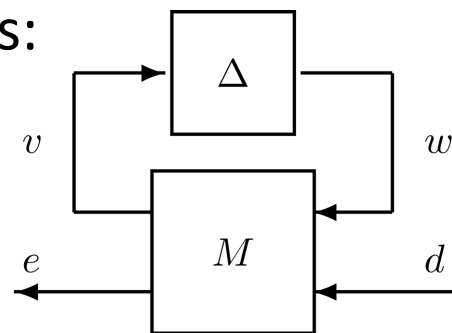
- 1.** Express the uncertain system as an LFT $F_U(M, \Delta)$ with the uncertainty/nonlinearity in Δ .
- 2.** Specify an IQC (J, Ψ) for Δ . This bounds the Input/output characteristics of Δ .



Constructing storage functions using IQCs

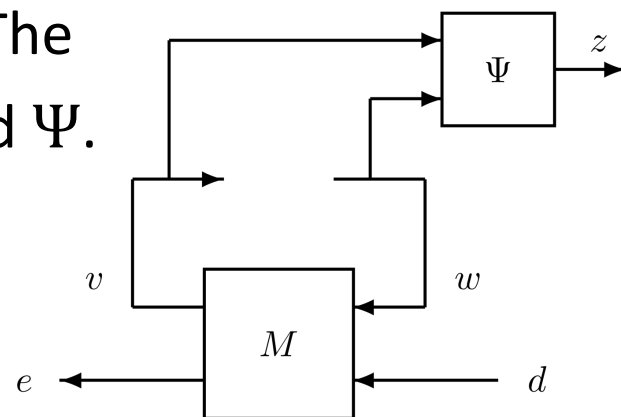
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3. Append the IQC dynamics to the system. The appended system has the dynamics of M and Ψ .

$$\sum_{t=0}^T z(t)^\top J z(t) \geq 0$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} x_e(t+1) \\ z(t) \\ e(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{B}_1 & \mathcal{B}_2 \\ \mathcal{C}_1 & \mathcal{D}_{11} & \mathcal{D}_{12} \\ \mathcal{C}_2 & \mathcal{D}_{21} & \mathcal{D}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_e(t) \\ w(t) \\ d(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Write a dissipation inequality on the appended system exploiting the IQC. (See next slide.)

Note: Multiple uncertainties/nonlinearities can be combined into $\Delta = \text{diag}(\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_n)$ and each block can have multiple IQCs.

Constructing storage functions using IQCs

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Suppose there is a storage function $V(x_e) = x_e^\top P x_e$ with $P \geq 0$ such that the dissipation inequality (DI) holds along trajectories:

$$V(x_e(t+1)) - V(x_e(t)) + \begin{bmatrix} e(t) \\ d(t) \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -\gamma^2 I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e(t) \\ d(t) \end{bmatrix} + z(t)^\top J z(t) \leq 0$$

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Summing from $t = 0$ to $t = T$ yields:

$$\underbrace{V(x_e(T+1)) - V(x_e(0))}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{\sum_{t=0}^T e(t)^\top e(t)}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{\sum_{t=0}^T z(t)^\top J z(t)}_{\geq 0} \leq \gamma^2 \sum_{t=0}^T d(t)^\top d(t)$$

If $x_e(0) = 0$, $d \in \ell_2$ then we can let $T \rightarrow \infty$ to obtain $\|e\|_2 \leq \gamma \|d\|_2$.

The DI + IQC verifies the uncertain system $F_U(M, \Delta)$ has ℓ_2 gain $\leq \gamma$.

With a few additional technical details, we can prove $x_e(t) \rightarrow 0$.

Constructing storage functions using IQCs

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$$V(x_e(t+1)) - V(x_e(t)) + \begin{bmatrix} e(t) \\ d(t) \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -\gamma^2 I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e(t) \\ d(t) \end{bmatrix} + z(t)^\top J z(t) \leq 0$$

This DI can be expressed as an LMI:

$$\begin{aligned} (\cdot)^\top P \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A} & \mathcal{B}_1 & \mathcal{B}_2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} P & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + (\cdot)^\top \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -\gamma^2 I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{C}_2 & \mathcal{D}_{21} & \mathcal{D}_{22} \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \\ + (\cdot)^\top J \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{C}_1 & \mathcal{D}_{11} & \mathcal{D}_{12} \end{bmatrix} \preceq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Summary

In this lesson:

- We introduced sum-of-squares (SOS) optimization.
- We merged SOS methods with our dissipation inequality/IQC formalism to assess the stability and performance of polynomial systems. This included results for nonlinear reachability.
- We generalized our dissipation inequality / IQC results to systems that are linear time-varying (LTV) or discrete-time.

Next lesson: Application of the methods to optimization algorithms and games.

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Self-Study Problems

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