

Stabilisation H_∞
de systèmes fractionnaires à retards
de type neutre

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Outline of the talk

1. Background on general (fractional) delay systems
2. An extension of the Walton-Marshall technique (location of zeros)
3. H_∞ -stability characterization of a class of fractional delay systems
4. H_∞ -control characterization of a class of fractional delay systems

In the Laplace domain

$$\begin{aligned} G(s) &= \left(\sum_{i=0}^m B_i e^{-s\tau_i} \right) \\ &\times \left(sI - s \sum_{i=0}^k E_i e^{-s\mu_i} + \sum_{i=0}^k A_i e^{-st_i} \right)^{-1} \\ &\times \left(\sum_{i=0}^l C_i e^{-s\sigma_i} \right) + \sum_{i=0}^p d_i e^{-s\nu_i}. \end{aligned}$$

$$G(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n_2} q_i(s) e^{-\beta_i s}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n_1} p_i(s) e^{-\gamma_i s}}$$

$$0 = \gamma_0 < \gamma_1 \cdots < \gamma_{n_1}, \quad 0 \leq \beta_0 < \beta_1 \cdots < \beta_{n_2}$$

the p_i, q_i are polynomials

Location of poles (Bellman & Cooke, 1963)

Condition 1: $\deg p_0 > \deg p_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, n_1$
and $\deg p_0 \geq \deg q_i$ for $i = 0, \dots, n_2$.

Retarded type

G has a finite number of poles in any right half-plane

Condition 2: $\deg p_0 \geq \deg p_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, n_1$
(with equality for at least one polynomial p_i) and
 $\deg p_0 \geq \deg q_i$ for $i = 0, \dots, n_2$.

Neutral type

The poles of G are in a band around the imaginary axis.

Fractional delay systems

$$G(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n_2} q_i(s) e^{-\beta_i s}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n_1} p_i(s) e^{-\gamma_i s}}$$

the p_i are polynomials of the form

$$\sum_{k=0}^{l_i} a_k s^{\alpha_k} \text{ with } \alpha_k \in \mathbb{R}_+$$

$$s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}_-, \quad -\pi < \arg s < \pi.$$

retarded type, neutral type

example (Matignon) $G(s) = \frac{1}{(a\sqrt{s}+b)+(c\sqrt{s}+d)e^{-sh}}$
with $a \neq 0$, b , $c \neq 0$, d reals

H_∞ -stability of such systems

Condition 1

G is H_∞ -stable (BIBO-stable, nuclear) iff G has no poles in the cut right-half plane.

Condition 2

If there exists $a < 0$ such that P has no poles in $(\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}_-) \cap \{\operatorname{Re} s > a\} \cup \{0\}$ then P is H_∞ -stable (BIBO-stable).

This condition **is not** necessary.

In the case of commensurate delays, we can guarantee that there is only a finite number of poles in a “large half-plane”.

The class of systems studied

$$G(s) = \frac{r(s)}{p(s) + q(s)e^{-sh}}$$

$$h > 0,$$

p, q, r real polynomials in the variable s^μ for $0 < \mu < 1$.

$$\deg p = \deg q \text{ and } \deg r \leq \deg p.$$

Here the degree is interpreted as the degree in s^μ and so is an integer.

Extension of the Walton-Marshall method

Determining the values of $h \geq 0$ for which a function $A(s) + C(s)e^{-sh}$ with A, C real polynomials, has all its zeroes in the left half-plane.

- Test stability at $h = 0$.
- Test stability for infinitesimally small $h > 0$.
- Locate the zero-crossings and classify them as stabilizing or destabilizing. Calculate the corresponding values of h and associated stability windows.

Extension of the Walton-Marshall method

If $A(s) + C(s)e^{-sh} = 0$ has a zero at the point $s = i\omega \in i\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, then

$$W(\omega) := |A(i\omega)|^2 - |C(i\omega)|^2 = 0.$$

Moreover, at such a point s , provided that A and C do not vanish, one has

$$\text{sign Re } \frac{ds}{dh} = \text{sign Re } \frac{1}{s} \left[\frac{C'(s)}{C(s)} - \frac{A'(s)}{A(s)} \right]$$

$$H_\infty\text{-stability of } G(s) = \frac{r(s)}{p(s) + q(s)e^{-sh}}$$

Let $\alpha = \lim_{\substack{s \in \mathbb{C} \setminus R_- \\ |s| \rightarrow \infty}} p(s)/q(s)$,

If $|\alpha| < 1$ then G has infinitely many unstable poles asymptotic to a vertical line

$\operatorname{Re} s = -\log |\alpha|/h$ in the right half-plane and thus G cannot lie in H_∞ .

If $|\alpha| > 1$ then the poles of G of large modulus are asymptotic to a vertical line strictly in the left half-plane; thus G has at most finitely many unstable poles, and if there are none, then G lies in H_∞ .

Suppose $\deg r < \deg p$. If $|\alpha| < 1$ then G cannot be stabilized by a (proper) rational controller.

Behaviour of large poles : the case $\alpha = 1$

Suppose that

$$\frac{p(s)}{q(s)} = \alpha + \frac{\beta}{s^\mu} + \frac{\gamma}{s^{2\mu}} + \frac{\delta}{s^{3\mu}} + O(s^{-4\mu}) \quad \text{as } |s| \rightarrow \infty,$$

for constants α, β, γ and δ with $\alpha = \pm 1$.

(i) If $\beta/\alpha > 0$, then the large poles of G are stable, and if $\beta/\alpha < 0$, then they are unstable.

(ii) If $\beta = 0$ and $0 < \mu < \frac{1}{2}$ then the large poles are

- unstable for $\gamma/\alpha < 0$
- stable for $\gamma/\alpha > 0$;

For $\beta = 0$ and $\frac{1}{2} < \mu < 1$, then the large poles are

- stable for $\gamma/\alpha < 0$
- unstable for $\gamma/\alpha > 0$.

(iii) If $\beta = 0$ and $\mu = \frac{1}{2}$, then the large poles are

- unstable if $\delta/\alpha > 0$
- stable if $\delta/\alpha < 0$.

Complete characterization of H_∞ -stability

If the poles of G are all in the open left half-plane, then the transfer function G lies in H_∞

- in case (i) if and only if $\deg p \geq \deg r + 1$,
- in case (ii) if and only if $\deg p \geq \deg r + 2$,
- in case (iii) if and only if $\deg p \geq \deg r + 3$.

$$H_\infty\text{-stabilization of } G(s) = \frac{1}{as^\mu + b + (cs^\mu + d)e^{-sh}}$$

- We determine first a particular controller :

$$K(s) = k_p + \frac{k_i}{s^\mu}$$

- We choose a controller which stabilizes G at $h = 0$, for h small, for all h .

- Remark : A quadratic equation $a_2z^2 + a_1z + a_0$ with $a_2 > 0$, a_1, a_0 reals has roots in $\{z \in \mathbb{C}, -\frac{\pi}{2}\mu \leq \arg z \leq \frac{\pi}{2}\mu\}$ only if one of the next three conditions holds:

i) $a_0 > 0$, $a_1^2 - 4a_2a_0 < 0$, $a_1 < 0$ and

$\sqrt{|a_1^2 - 4a_2a_0|} \leq (-a_1) \tan \frac{\pi}{2}\mu$, in which case there are two complex conjugate roots

ii) $a_0 < 0$, in which case there is one positive real root

iii) $a_0 > 0$, $a_1^2 - 4a_2a_0 > 0$ and $a_1 < 0$ in which case there are two positive real roots.

1) If $|\frac{a}{c}| > 1$ then every fractional PI controller K which stabilizes G when $h = 0$ will also stabilize G when h is sufficiently small. Moreover, if $k_i > 0$ and k_p satisfy also $(a(b + k_p) - cd) \cos \frac{\pi}{2}\mu > 0$, $(b + k_p)^2 + 2ak_i \cos \pi\mu - d^2 > 0$ and $k_i(b + k_p) \cos \frac{\pi}{2}\mu > 0$, then K will stabilize G for all h .

2) Let $a = c$. If k_p and k_i satisfy none of the following conditions:

- (i) $(b + d + k_p)^2 - 8k_i < 0$, $b + d + k_p < 0$ and $\sqrt{|(b + d + k_p)^2 - 8k_i|} \leq -(b + d + k_p) \tan \frac{\pi}{2}\mu$
- (ii) $(b + d + k_p)^2 - 8k_i > 0$ and $b + d + k_p < 0$

then K stabilizes G when $h = 0$.

Moreover if $a(b + k_p - d) \cos \frac{\pi}{2}\mu > 0$, then K stabilizes G for small h .

If k_p and k_i satisfy also

$$(b + k_p)^2 + 2ak_i \cos \pi\mu - d^2 > 0 \text{ and}$$

$k_i(b + k_p) \cos \frac{\pi}{2}\mu > 0$ then K stabilizes G for all h .

$$\text{Let } G(s) = \frac{1}{as^\mu + b + (cs^\mu + d)e^{-sh}}$$

Suppose that $|a| > |c|$; then the set of all H_∞ -stabilizing controllers is given by $\frac{V + MQ}{U - NQ}$, where

$$N(s) = \frac{1}{s^\mu + 1}, \quad M(s) = \frac{(as^\mu + b) + (cs^\mu + d)e^{-sh}}{s^\mu + 1},$$

$$U(s) = \frac{s^\mu(s^\mu + 1)}{((as^\mu + b) + (cs^\mu + d)e^{-sh})s^\mu + k_p s^\mu + k_i},$$

$$V(s) = \frac{(s^\mu + 1)(k_i + k_p s^\mu)}{((as^\mu + b) + (cs^\mu + d)e^{-sh})s^\mu + k_p s^\mu + k_i},$$

Q is a free parameter in H_∞ and $k_i > 0$ and k_p satisfy $(a(b + k_p) - cd) \cos \frac{\pi}{2}\mu > 0, (b + k_p)^2 + 2ak_i \cos \pi\mu - d^2 > 0$, and $k_i(b + k_p) \cos \frac{\pi}{2}\mu > 0$

Example : let $G(s) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{s} - (\sqrt{s} + 1)e^{-sh}}$

If $k_i > 0$ and k_p satisfy the following inequalities

$$(2k_p - 1) \cos \frac{\pi}{4} > 0, k_p^2 - 1 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad k_i k_p \cos \frac{\pi}{4} > 0,$$

that is, if $k_i > 0$ and $k_p > 1$,

then the closed-loop is stable for all h .

A coprime factorization of G is given by

$$(N, M) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{s} + 1}, \frac{2\sqrt{s} - (\sqrt{s} + 1)e^{-sh}}{\sqrt{s} + 1} \right)$$

The set of all H_∞ -stabilizing controllers of G is

given by $\frac{V + MQ}{U - NQ}$ where

$$U(s) = \frac{\sqrt{s}(\sqrt{s} + 1)}{(2\sqrt{s} - (\sqrt{s} + 1)e^{-sh})\sqrt{s} + k_p\sqrt{s} + k_i}$$

$$V(s) = \frac{(\sqrt{s} + 1)(k_i + k_p\sqrt{s})}{(2\sqrt{s} - (\sqrt{s} + 1)e^{-sh})\sqrt{s} + k_p\sqrt{s} + k_i},$$

and Q is a free parameter in H_∞ .