Introduction to Time-Delay Systems



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Discrete case: problem statement

Consider

 $\bar{\Sigma}_h: \begin{cases} \bar{x}[k+1] = \bar{A}\bar{x}[k] + \bar{B}\bar{u}[k-h] \\ \bar{y}[k] = \bar{C}\bar{x}[k] \end{cases}$

We look for $\bar{u}[t]$ stabilizing $\bar{\Sigma}_h$ for any given h.

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Luenberger observer: delay-free case

Consider the problem of reconstructing \bar{x} in

$$\bar{\Sigma}_0: \begin{cases} \bar{x}[k+1] = \bar{A}\bar{x}[k] + \bar{B}\bar{u}[k] \\ \bar{y}[k] = \bar{C}\bar{x}[k] \end{cases}$$

To this end, construct observer

 $\bar{x}_{0}[k+1] = \bar{A}\bar{x}_{0}[k] + \bar{B}\bar{u}[k] - \bar{L}(\bar{y}[k] - \bar{C}\bar{x}_{0}[k])$

which has two inputs (\bar{u} and \bar{y}). The observation error $\bar{\epsilon}[k] := \bar{x}[k] - \bar{x}_0[k]$ satisfies then autonomous (input free) equation

$$\bar{\epsilon}[k+1] = (\bar{A} + \bar{L}\bar{C})\bar{\epsilon}[k],$$

which can be made stable provided (\bar{C}, \bar{A}) is detectable. Stability implies that $\lim_{k\to\infty} \bar{\epsilon}[k] = 0$ from any initial condition.

Observer-based feedback: delay-free case

Combining plant, observer, and observer-based control law $\bar{u}[k] = \bar{F}\bar{x}_0[k]$, we get the following closed-loop system:

$$\bar{\Sigma}_{\rm cl}: \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}[k+1] \\ \bar{x}_{\rm o}[k+1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{A} & \bar{B}\bar{F} \\ -\bar{L}\bar{C} & \bar{A}+\bar{L}\bar{C}+\bar{B}\bar{F} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}[k] \\ \bar{x}_{\rm o}[k] \end{bmatrix} \\ \bar{y}[k] = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{C} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}[k] \\ \bar{x}_{\rm o}[k] \end{bmatrix} \end{cases}$$

As the dynamics of $\bar{\epsilon}$ are autonomous, rewrite (by similarity transformation)

$$\bar{\Sigma}_{cl}: \begin{cases} \left[\bar{x}[k+1] \\ \bar{\epsilon}[k+1] \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} \bar{A} + \bar{B}\bar{F} & \bar{B}\bar{F} \\ 0 & \bar{A} + \bar{L}\bar{C} \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \bar{x}[k] \\ \bar{\epsilon}[k] \end{array} \right] \\ \bar{y}[k] = \left[\begin{array}{c} \bar{C} & 0 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \bar{x}[k] \\ \bar{\epsilon}[k] \end{array} \right] \end{cases}$$

whence spec $(\bar{\Sigma}_{cl}) = \operatorname{spec}(\bar{A} + \bar{B}\bar{F}) \bigcup \operatorname{spec}(\bar{A} + \bar{L}\bar{C})$ (separation).

Reduced-order observer-based feedback

Combining plant, reduced-order observer, and observer-based control law

 $\bar{u}[k] = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{F}_1 & \bar{F}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_1[k] \\ \bar{x}_0[k] \end{bmatrix},$

we get the following closed-loop system:

$$\bar{\Sigma}_{cl}: \begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_1[k+1] \\ \bar{x}_2[k+1] \\ \bar{\epsilon}_2[k+1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{A}_{11} + \bar{B}_1\bar{F}_1 & \bar{B}_1\bar{F}_2 & \bar{B}_1\bar{F}_2 \\ \bar{A}_{21} + \bar{B}_2\bar{F}_1 & \bar{A}_{22} + \bar{B}_2\bar{F}_2 & \bar{B}_2\bar{F}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \bar{A}_{22} + \bar{L}\bar{C} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_1[k] \\ \bar{x}_2[k] \\ \bar{\epsilon}_2[k] \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \bar{y}_1[k] \\ \bar{y}_2[k] \\ \bar{\epsilon}_2[k] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{C} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_1[k] \\ \bar{x}_2[k] \\ \bar{\epsilon}_2[k] \end{bmatrix}$$

Reduced-order observer: simple special case

$$\bar{\Sigma}_{0}: \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_{1}[k+1] \\ \bar{x}_{2}[k+1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{A}_{11} & 0 \\ \bar{A}_{21} & \bar{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_{1}[k] \\ \bar{x}_{2}[k] \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \bar{B}_{1} \\ \bar{B}_{2} \end{bmatrix} \bar{u}[k] \\ \begin{bmatrix} \bar{y}_{1}[k] \\ \bar{y}_{2}[k] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{C} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_{1}[k] \\ \bar{x}_{2}[k] \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e., we measure the whole \bar{x}_1 and a part of \bar{x}_2 , we need to observe only \bar{x}_2 . From the second state equation:

$$\begin{cases} \bar{x}_{2}[k+1] = \bar{A}_{22}\bar{x}_{2}[k] + \underbrace{\bar{A}_{21}\bar{y}_{1}[k] + \bar{B}_{2}\bar{u}[k]}_{\bar{y}_{2}[k] = \bar{C}\bar{x}_{2}[k] & \text{``known input''} \end{cases}$$

and then the reduced-order observer

$$\bar{x}_{\rm o}[k+1] = \bar{A}_{22}\bar{x}_{\rm o}[k] + \bar{A}_{21}\bar{y}_{1}[k] + \bar{B}_{2}\bar{u}[k] - \bar{L}(\bar{y}_{2}[k] - \bar{C}\bar{x}_{\rm o}[k])$$

results in autonomous $\bar{\epsilon}_2[k] := \bar{x}_2[k] - \bar{x}_0[k]$ again:

$$\bar{\epsilon}_2[k+1] = (\bar{A}_{22} + \bar{L}\bar{C})\bar{\epsilon}_2[k].$$

State observer for input-delay systems

Let now

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$$\bar{\Sigma}_h : \begin{cases} \bar{x}[k+1] = \bar{A}\bar{x}[k] + \bar{B}\bar{u}[k-h] \\ \bar{y}[k] = \bar{C}\bar{x}[k] \end{cases}$$

Remember, the true state model looks like

$$\bar{\Sigma}_{h}: \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}[k] \\ \bar{u}[k-1] \\ \vdots \\ \bar{u}[k-h+1] \\ \hline{x}[k+1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \cdots 0 & 0 & 0 \\ I \cdots 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 \cdots & I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 \cdots & 0 & B & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}[k-1] \\ \bar{u}[k-2] \\ \vdots \\ \bar{u}[k-h] \\ \hline{x}[k] \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} I \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \hline{0} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \bar{u}[k]$$

$$\bar{v}[k] = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 \cdots & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \overline{C} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}[k-1] \\ \bar{u}[k-2] \\ \vdots \\ \bar{u}[k-h] \\ \bar{x}[k] \end{bmatrix}$$

State observer for input-delay systems (contd)

Of state vector, \bar{x}_{a} , we measure all \bar{u} 's, hence we need only reduced-order observer

$$\bar{x}_{o}[k+1] = \bar{A}\bar{x}_{o}[k] + \bar{B}\bar{u}[k-h] - \bar{L}(\bar{y}[k] - \bar{C}\bar{x}_{o}[k])$$

The error equation reads then

$$\bar{\epsilon}[k+1] = (\bar{A} + \bar{L}\bar{C})\bar{\epsilon}[k]$$

and can be made stable iff (\bar{C}, \bar{A}) detectable (exactly as in delay-free case).

Continuous output feedback: input delay

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$$\Sigma_h : \begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t-h) \\ y(t) = Cx(t) \end{cases}$$

the observer-predictor controller

$$\dot{x}_{o}(t) = (A + LC)x_{o}(t) + Bu(t - h) - Ly(t)$$
$$u(t) = F\left(e^{Ah}x_{o}(t) + \int_{0}^{h} e^{A\theta}Bu(t - \theta)d\theta\right)$$

assigns

• $\operatorname{spec}(\Sigma_{cl}) = \operatorname{spec}(A + BF) \bigcup \operatorname{spec}(A + LC)$ (this can be verified by standard arguments of FSA).

Discrete output feedback: input delay

Mechanical amalgamation of

- reduced-order discrete observer
- state-feedback shifting only the modes of \bar{A}

yields

$$\bar{x}_{o}[k+1] = \bar{A}\bar{x}_{o}[k] + \bar{B}\bar{u}[k-h] - \bar{L}(\bar{y}[k] - \bar{C}\bar{x}_{o}[k])$$
$$\bar{u}[k] = \bar{F}\left(\bar{A}^{h}\bar{x}_{o}[k] + \sum_{i=1}^{h} \bar{A}^{i-1}\bar{B}\bar{u}[k-i]\right)$$

which is called observer-predictor.

As this is a special case of the reduced-order observer-based feedback,

• $\operatorname{spec}(\bar{\Sigma}_{cl}) = \operatorname{spec}(\bar{A} + \bar{B}\bar{F}) \bigcup \{0\}^{mh} \bigcup \operatorname{spec}(\bar{A} + \bar{L}\bar{C}).$

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Smith controller: preliminary conclusions



Remember, Smith controller

- works if P_r(s) is stable
 (stabilization problem reduces then to that for delay-free plant)
- does not necessarily work if Pr(s) is unstable (might lead to unstable loop)

More rigorous analysis



- System is said to be internally stable if
 - transfer matrix from $\begin{bmatrix} w_y \\ w_u \end{bmatrix}$ to $\begin{bmatrix} y \\ u \end{bmatrix}$,

 $T_{\rm cl} := \frac{1}{1 - P_{\rm r} C \,\mathrm{e}^{-sh}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & P_{\rm r} \mathrm{e}^{-sh} \\ C & P_{\rm r} C \,\mathrm{e}^{-sh} \end{bmatrix} =: \begin{bmatrix} S & T_d \\ T_u & T \end{bmatrix} \in H^\infty.$

Let's

analyze Smith controller from internal stability perspectives.





Adding and subtracting block $P_r(1 - e^{-sh})$ we

redistribute loop components w/o changing the whole system.

We end up with a new loop with the plant P_r and the controller

$$\tilde{C} := \frac{C}{1 + CP_{\mathsf{r}}(1 - \mathrm{e}^{-sh})} \qquad \left(\text{so that} \quad C = \frac{\tilde{C}}{1 - \tilde{C}P_{\mathsf{r}}(1 - \mathrm{e}^{-sh})}\right)$$



The new system is delay-free yet with

► different signals.

To complete¹ the picture, we have to calculate them:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{y} \\ \tilde{u} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y + P_{\mathsf{r}}(1 - \mathrm{e}^{-sh})u \\ u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & P_{\mathsf{r}}(1 - \mathrm{e}^{-sh}) \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ u \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{w}_y \\ \tilde{w}_u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w_y - P_r(1 - e^{-sh})w_u \\ w_u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & -P_r(1 - e^{-sh}) \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_y \\ w_u \end{bmatrix}$$

¹Well, we also have to guarantee that internal " \tilde{C} " loop is well posed.

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Loop shifting (contd)

Thus,

$$T_{\rm cl} = \begin{bmatrix} I & -P_{\rm r}(1-{\rm e}^{-sh}) \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \tilde{T}_{\rm cl} \begin{bmatrix} I & -P_{\rm r}(1-{\rm e}^{-sh}) \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

if P_r(1 - e^{-sh}) ∈ H[∞], then T̃_{cl} ∈ H[∞] implies T_{cl} ∈ H[∞]
 if P_r(1 - e^{-sh}) ∉ H[∞], then T̃_{cl} ∈ H[∞] not necessarily implies T_{cl} ∈ H[∞] (in fact, never; this can be verified by making use of explicit form of T̃_{cl})

Key question:

• when does $P_r(1 - e^{-sh}) \in H^{\infty}$?

Obviously, this is true if $P_r \in H^\infty$. Yet this also true if

► $P_r(s)$ proper and its only unstable poles are single poles at $j\frac{2\pi}{h}k$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, which are simple zeros of $1 - e^{-sh}$.



► cancel (compensate) delay via $P_r(s)e^{-sh} + P_r(s)(1 - e^{-sh}) = P_r(s)$.

The question:

can we do it with stable compensation element?

Dead-time compensation question



Technically speaking, we are looking for $\Pi(s) \in H^{\infty}$ such that

$$P_{\rm r}(s){\rm e}^{-sh} + \Pi(s) = \tilde{P}(s)$$

for some proper and rational $\tilde{P}(s)$.

DTC question: stable $P_r(s)$

Choice of $\Pi(s)$ apparent and non-unique:

• $\Pi(s) = \tilde{P}(s) - P_{r}(s)e^{-sh}$ for any $\tilde{P}(s) \in H^{\infty}$ does the job.

Some standard choices:

- $\tilde{P}(s) = P_{r}(s)$ results in Smith predictor
- $\tilde{P}(s) = 0$ results in internal model controller (IMC)

Dead-time compensation: aspirations

If we obtained required $\Pi(s) \in H^{\infty}$, we would transform



for rational (delay-free) $\tilde{P}(s)$. Resulting C(s),

$$C(s) = \tilde{C}(s) \left(I - \Pi(s)\tilde{C}(s) \right)^{-1} = \underbrace{\tilde{C}(s)}_{q \in \Pi(s)} \underbrace{\tilde{C}(s)}_{q \in \Pi(s)$$

called dead-time compensator (DTC) and

• $\tilde{C}(s)$ internally stabilizes $\tilde{P}(s)$ iff C(s) internally stabilizes $P_{r}(s)e^{-sh}$ as

$$T_{\rm cl}(s) = \begin{bmatrix} I & -\Pi(s) \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \tilde{T}_{\rm cl}(s) \begin{bmatrix} I & -\Pi(s) \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

(provided DTC loop well posed).

DTC question: unstable $P_r(s)$ in Example 2 (Lect 3)

In this case Smith predictor

$$\Pi(s) = \frac{1 - \mathrm{e}^{-sh}}{s} = \int_0^h \mathrm{e}^{-s\theta} \mathrm{d}\theta \in H^\infty$$

indeed (integrand analytic and bounded in \mathbb{C}_0 and integration path finite). In this case

$$\tilde{P}(s) = P_{\rm r}(s) = \frac{1}{s}$$

can be interpreted as unstable rational part of partial fraction expansion² of

$$P_{\rm r}(s){\rm e}^{-sh} = \frac{{\rm Res}\left(\frac{{\rm e}^{-sh}}{s};0\right)}{s} + \Delta(s)$$

for some entire $\Delta(s)$ ($P_r(s)$ has only one pole, that at the origin).

²Here $\operatorname{Res}(f(s); c) := \lim_{s \to c} (s - c) f(s)$ stands for residue of f(s) at c.

DTC question: unstable $P_r(s)$ in Example 1 (Lect 3)

We're looking for stable $\tilde{P}(s)$ such that

$$\Pi(s) = \tilde{P}(s) - \frac{1}{s-1} e^{-sh} \in H^{\infty}.$$

As $P_r(s)e^{-sh}$ has one singularity, pole at s = 1, we have that

$$\frac{1}{s-1} e^{-sh} = \frac{\operatorname{Res}\left(\frac{1}{s-1} e^{-sh}; 1\right)}{s-1} + \Delta(s),$$

for some entire $\Delta(s)$. This suggest choice

$$\tilde{P}(s) = \frac{\operatorname{Res}\left(\frac{1}{s-1}\operatorname{e}^{-sh};1\right)}{s-1} = \frac{\operatorname{e}^{-h}}{s-1}$$

for which $\Pi(s)$ is distributed-delay system

$$\Pi(s) = -\Delta(s) = \frac{\mathrm{e}^{-h} - \mathrm{e}^{-sh}}{s-1} = \mathrm{e}^{-h} \int_0^h \mathrm{e}^{-(s-1)\theta} \mathrm{d}\theta \in H^\infty.$$

First-order unstable $P_{r}(s)$: time-domain interpretation Impulse responses of $P(s) := P_{r}(s)e^{-sh} = \frac{1}{s-a}e^{-sh}$ and $\tilde{P}(s) = \frac{1}{s-a}e^{-ah}$ are $p(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{it } t < h \\ e^{a(t-h)} & \text{if } t \ge h \end{cases}$ and $\tilde{p}(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{it } t < 0 \\ e^{a(t-h)} & \text{if } t \ge 0 \end{cases}$

respectively. Thus,

$$p(t) \equiv \tilde{p}(t), \quad \forall t \ge h$$

Impulse response of $\Pi(s) = \tilde{P}(s) - P_{r}(s)e^{-sh}$ then

$$\pi(t) = \tilde{p}(t) - p(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{it } t < 0 \text{ or } t \ge h \\ e^{a(t-h)} & \text{if } 0 \le t < h \end{cases}$$

i.e., $\Pi(s)$ is FIR (finite impulse response).

DTC question: first-order unstable $P_r(s)$

Likewise,

$$\frac{1}{s-a}e^{-sh} = \frac{\operatorname{Res}\left(\frac{1}{s-a}e^{-sh};a\right)}{s-a} + \Delta(s) = \frac{e^{-ah}}{s-a} - \frac{e^{-ah} - e^{-sh}}{s-a},$$

so that if $P_r(s) = \frac{1}{s-a}$, the choice

$$\tilde{P}(s) = \frac{\mathrm{e}^{-ah}}{s-a}$$

gives us required

$$\Pi(s) = \frac{\mathrm{e}^{-ah}}{s-a} - \frac{\mathrm{e}^{-sh}}{s-a} = \mathrm{e}^{-ah} \int_0^h \mathrm{e}^{-(s-a)\theta} \mathrm{d}\theta \in H^\infty$$

again.

Completion operator Let $G(s) = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ \hline C & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Impulse response of $G_h(s) := G(s)e^{-sh}$ is

$$g_h(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{it } t < h \\ C e^{A(t-h)} B & \text{if } t \ge h \end{cases}$$

We are looking for rational $\tilde{G}(s)$ such that $\tilde{g}(t) \equiv g_h(t), \forall t \geq h$. Obviously,

$$\tilde{g}(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < 0 \\ C e^{-Ah} e^{At} B & \text{if } t \ge 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{so that} \quad \tilde{G}(s) = \left[\frac{A \mid B}{C e^{-Ah} \mid 0} \right].$$

LTI system

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_h \left\{ \boldsymbol{G}(s) \mathrm{e}^{-sh} \right\} := \tilde{\boldsymbol{G}}(s) - \boldsymbol{G}(s) \mathrm{e}^{-sh} := \left[\frac{A \mid B}{C \, \mathrm{e}^{-Ah} \mid 0} \right] - \left[\frac{A \mid B}{C \mid 0} \right] \mathrm{e}^{-sh}$$

completes, in a sense, $G(s)e^{-sh}$ to rational $\tilde{G}(s)$, so we call it completion of $G(s)e^{-sh}$.

Completion operator (contd)

For any rational G(s), $\pi_h \{ G(s) e^{-sh} \}$ is FIR with (bounded) impulse response

$$\pi_h(t) = \begin{cases} C e^{A(t-h)} B & \text{if } 0 \le t < h \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence, transfer function

$$\pi_h \{ G(s) \mathrm{e}^{-sh} \} = \int_0^h \pi_h(t) \mathrm{e}^{-st} \mathrm{d}t = \int_0^h C \mathrm{e}^{A(t-h)} B \mathrm{e}^{-st} \mathrm{d}t$$

is bounded in \mathbb{C}_0 and, as it also entire, belongs to H^{∞} . Thus,

• $\pi_h \{ G(s) e^{-sh} \}$ stable for every proper rational G(s).

In time domain, $y = \pi_h \{G(s)e^{-sh}\}u$ writes

$$y(t) = C \int_{t-h}^{t} e^{A(t-\theta-h)} Bu(\theta) d\theta = C \int_{0}^{h} e^{A(\theta-h)} Bu(t-\theta) d\theta.$$

Modified Smith predictor



Transfer function

$$C(s) = \tilde{C}(s) \left(I - \pi_h \left\{ P_{\mathsf{r}}(s) \mathrm{e}^{-sh} \right\} \tilde{C}(s) \right)^{-1}$$

Then,

- if $P_r(s)$ is strictly proper, internal loop is well-posed for every proper \tilde{C} ,
- C(s) stabilizes $P_r(s)e^{-s}$ iff \tilde{C} stabilizes $\tilde{P}(s)$

DTC question: general $P_r(s)$

Let

$$P_{\rm r}(s) = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline C & 0 \end{array} \right].$$

We can always choose $\Pi(s) = \pi_h \{ P_r(s) e^{-sh} \} \in H^{\infty}$, for which

$$\tilde{P}(s) = P_{\mathrm{r}}(s)\mathrm{e}^{-sh} + \pi_h \left\{ P_{\mathrm{r}}(s)\mathrm{e}^{-sh} \right\} = \left[\frac{A}{C \,\mathrm{e}^{-Ah}} \frac{B}{0} \right]$$

is indeed rational.



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Observer-predictor revised (contd)

In other words, observer-predictor control law writes as

Substituting
$$x_{0}(t) = e^{-Ah}\eta(t) - \int_{t-h}^{t} e^{A(t-h-\theta)} Bu(\theta) d\theta$$
, we get

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\eta}(t) = (A + e^{Ah}LC e^{-Ah})\eta(t) + Bu(t) \\ - e^{Ah}LC \int_{t-h}^{t} e^{A(t-h-\theta)} Bu(\theta) d\theta - e^{Ah}Ly(t) \\ u(t) = F\eta(t) \end{cases}$$

Observer-predictor revised Let $P_{r}(s) = \left[\frac{A \mid B}{C \mid 0}\right]$ and consider observer-predictor control law $\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{0}(t) = (A + LC)x_{0}(t) + Bu(t - h) - Ly(t) \\ u(t) = F\left(e^{Ah}x_{0}(t) + \int_{t-h}^{t} e^{A(t-\theta)}Bu(\theta)d\theta\right) \end{cases}$

where F and L are matrices making A + BF and A + LC Hurwitz. Denote

$$\eta(t) := \mathrm{e}^{Ah} x_{\mathrm{o}}(t) + \int_{t-h}^{t} \mathrm{e}^{A(t-\theta)} Bu(\theta) \mathrm{d}\theta.$$

Then

$$\begin{split} \dot{\eta}(t) &= \mathrm{e}^{Ah} \big((A + LC) x_{\mathrm{o}}(t) + Bu(t - h) - Ly(t) \big) \\ &+ \big(Bu(t) - \mathrm{e}^{Ah} Bu(t - h) \big) + A \int_{t - h}^{t} \mathrm{e}^{A(t - \theta)} Bu(\theta) \mathrm{d}\theta \\ &= A\eta(t) + Bu(t) - \mathrm{e}^{Ah} L \big(y(t) - C x_{\mathrm{o}}(t) \big). \end{split}$$

Observer-predictor revised (contd)

Thus, we end up with control law

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\eta} = (A + BF + e^{Ah}LCe^{-Ah})\eta - e^{Ah}L\left(y + C\int_{t-h}^{t} e^{A(t-h-\theta)}Bu(\theta)d\theta\right)\\ u = F\eta\end{cases}$$

Now, noting that the last term above is the output of $\pi_h \{P_r(s)e^{-sh}\}$ when u is its input, control law above is actually

for

$$\tilde{C}(s) = \left[\frac{A + BF + e^{Ah}LCe^{-Ah} - e^{Ah}L}{F} \right]$$

Connections



This is clearly MSP with primary controller,

$$\tilde{C}(s) = \left[\frac{A + BF + e^{Ah}LCe^{-Ah} - e^{Ah}L}{F} \right]$$

which is observer-based controller for

$$\tilde{P}(s) = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline C e^{-Ah} & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

(note that $A + e^{Ah}LCe^{-Ah} = e^{Ah}(A + LC)e^{-Ah}$ is Hurwitz). Thus,

• observer-predictor is MSP when primary controller \tilde{C} is observer-based controller for \tilde{P}

Coprime factorization over H^{∞}

We say that transfer function P(s) has (strongly) coprime factorization over H^{∞} if there are transfer functions

$$M(s), N(s), \tilde{M}(s), \tilde{N}(s), X(s), Y(s), \tilde{X}(s), \tilde{Y}(s) \in H^{\infty}$$

such that

$$P(s) = N(s)M^{-1}(s) = \tilde{M}^{-1}(s)\tilde{N}(s)$$

and

$\overline{X(s)}$	Y(s)	$\int M(s)$	$-\tilde{Y}(s)$	=	$\lceil I \rceil$	0	1	
$-\tilde{N}(s)$	$\tilde{M}(s)$	N(s)	$\tilde{X}(s)$		0	Ι	•	

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Coprime factorization and stabilizability



Theorem

There is controller C(s) internally stabilizing this system iff³ P(s) has strong coprime factorization over H^{∞} . In this case all stabilizing controllers can be parametrized as (Youla parametrization)

$$C(s) = \left(-\tilde{Y}(s) + M(s)Q(s)\right)\left(\tilde{X}(s) + N(s)Q(s)\right)^{-1}$$
$$= \left(X(s) + Q(s)\tilde{N}(s)\right)^{-1}\left(-Y(s) + Q(s)\tilde{M}(s)\right)$$

for some $Q(s) \in H^{\infty}$ but otherwise arbitrary.

³Most nontrivial part here, only if, was proved by Malcolm C. Smith (1989).

Coprime factorization for rational systems Let $P(s) = \left[\frac{A \mid B}{C \mid D} \right]$ with (A, B) stabilizable and (C, A) detectable. Then

$$\begin{bmatrix} X(s) & Y(s) \\ -\tilde{N}(s) & \tilde{M}(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A + LC & B + LD & -L \\ \hline -F & I & 0 \\ -C & -D & I \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} M(s) & -\tilde{Y}(s) \\ N(s) & \tilde{X}(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A + BF & B & -L \\ F & I & 0 \\ C + DF & D & I \end{bmatrix},$$

where *F* and *L* are any matrices such that A + BF and A + LC Hurwitz.

Reduction to rational factorization (contd)

Lemma

 $P(s) = P_a(s) - \Delta(s)$ has strongly coprime factorization

$$\begin{bmatrix} X(s) & Y(s) \\ -\tilde{N}(s) & \tilde{M}(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X_a(s) & Y_a(s) \\ -\tilde{N}_a(s) & \tilde{M}_a(s) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ \Delta(s) & I \end{bmatrix} \in H^{\infty}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} M(s) & -\tilde{Y}(s) \\ N(s) & \tilde{X}(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ -\Delta(s) & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_a(s) & -\tilde{Y}_a(s) \\ N_a(s) & \tilde{X}_a(s) \end{bmatrix} \in H^{\circ}$$

Proof. By direct substitution.

Reduction to rational factorization

Let P(s) be (not necessarily rational) proper transfer function such that

$$P(s) = P_{a}(s) - \Delta(s)$$

for some $\Delta(s) \in H^{\infty}$ and rational $P_a(s)$ with coprime factorization

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{a}(s) & Y_{a}(s) \\ -\tilde{N}_{a}(s) & \tilde{M}_{a}(s) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_{a}(s) & -\tilde{Y}_{a}(s) \\ N_{a}(s) & \tilde{X}_{a}(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}.$$

We're looking for

• strongly coprime factorization of P(s) in terms of that of $P_a(s)$.

Resulting stabilizing controllers

Youla parametrization in this case is

$$C = (-\tilde{Y} + MQ)(\tilde{X} + NQ)^{-1}$$

= $(-\tilde{Y}_a + M_aQ)(\tilde{X}_a + N_aQ - \Delta(-\tilde{Y}_a + M_aQ))^{-1}$

Hence,

$$C(\tilde{X}_{a} + N_{a}Q) - C\Delta(-\tilde{Y}_{a} + M_{a}Q) = -\tilde{Y}_{a} + M_{a}Q$$

or, equivalently,

$$C(\tilde{X}_{a} + N_{a}Q) = (I + C\Delta)(-\tilde{Y}_{a} + M_{a}Q).$$

Thus, denoting $C_a := (-\tilde{Y}_a + M_a Q)(\tilde{X}_a + N_a Q)^{-1}$, we end up with

 $(I + C\Delta)^{-1}C = C_a \iff C = C_a(I - \Delta C_a)^{-1} =$

Hmm, looks familiar...

Dead-time systems

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$$P(s) = P_{r}(s)e^{-sh} = \left[\frac{A \mid B}{C \mid 0}\right]e^{-sh}$$

we already know how to present it in form

$$P(s) = \tilde{P}(s) - \pi_h \{ P(s) \} = \left[\frac{A \mid B}{C e^{-Ah} \mid 0} \right] - \pi_h \left\{ \left[\frac{A \mid B}{C \mid 0} \right] e^{-sh} \right\}$$

Thus, any stabilizing controller for P(s) is of the form



where $\tilde{C}(s)$ is stabilizing controller for $\tilde{P}(s)$. Thus, we end up with

modified Smith predictor yet again.



 \mathcal{S}_1 : design \tilde{C} for (delay-free) \tilde{P}

and then

 S_2 : implement \tilde{C} in combination with DTC Π. Hence, two-stage design.

Clear advantages:

- design delay-free
- stability preserved
- resulting controller implementable

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Two-stage design of dead-time compensators



Assume that \tilde{C} is designed well (for \tilde{P}). This probably means that

- ► responses of \tilde{y} and \tilde{u} to "reasonable" \tilde{d} and \tilde{r} are "good". Does it imply that
- ► responses of *y* and *u* to "reasonable" *d* and *r* are also "good" for the original system ?

Not necessarily, just because

- $\blacktriangleright \{\tilde{y}, \tilde{u}, \tilde{r}, \tilde{d}\} \iff \{y, u, r, d\}$
- ► loop $\tilde{P} \circlearrowleft \tilde{C}$ is different from loop $P_{\rm r} {\rm e}^{-sh}$ ♂ C





Now, stability is guaranteed for all $\tilde{k}_p > 0$ and $\tilde{k}_i \ge 0$ and

primary controller has infinite static gain because of its integral action. Still,

$$|C(0)| = \frac{1}{h},$$

which is far from what we expect. Thus, in this case

two-stage design is even more misleading.

Example 1: static gain with P primary controller



Control goal: reduce steady-state effect of step *d* on *y* or, equivalently,

• end up with high static gain of controller, |C(0)|.

Stability is equivalent to $\tilde{k} > 0$ and for system in S_1

• we can end up with arbitrarily large (primary) controller static gain, \tilde{k} . Looks perfect...yet (mind that $\Pi(0) = h$)

$$|C(0)| = \frac{\tilde{k}}{1 + \tilde{k}h} = \frac{1}{1/\tilde{k} + h} < \frac{1}{h}$$

which is not necessarily what we expect. Thus, in this case

two-stage design might be misleading.



Let $\tilde{L} := \tilde{P}\tilde{C}$ be loop gain in S_1 . Then resulting loop gain

$$L = P_{\rm r} \, {\rm e}^{-sh} \frac{\tilde{C}}{1 + \tilde{C} \Pi} = \frac{(\tilde{P} - \Pi)\tilde{C}}{1 + \tilde{C} \Pi} = \frac{\tilde{P}\tilde{C} + 1 - (1 + \Pi\tilde{C})}{1 + \tilde{C} \Pi}$$

from which⁴

$$1 + L = \frac{1}{1 + \tilde{C}\Pi} (1 + \tilde{L}).$$

Thus, we need to

► keep $|\tilde{C}(j\omega)\Pi(j\omega)|$ small at frequencies of interest to preserve loop gain properties achieved in S_1 at these frequencies.

 $^{4}1 + L(s)$ called return difference t.f. and plays an important role in feedback analysys.

How to achieve $|\tilde{C}(j\omega)\Pi(j\omega)| \ll 1$

We can

- 1. decrease $|\tilde{C}(j\omega)|$ (only makes sense at frequencies where a low loop gain is required)
- 2. decrease $|\Pi(j\omega)|$ (our only choice at frequencies where a hight loop gain is required)

Option 2 is effectively an

• additional requirement for the choice of (rational) \tilde{P} ,

apart from $\Pi \in H^{\infty}$. Small $|\Pi(j\omega)|$ implies that at these frequencies

• $\tilde{P}(j\omega)$ is a good approximation of $P_r(j\omega) e^{-j\omega h}$,

which is a reasonable strategy justifying two-stage design (note that we then also have $C(j\omega) \approx \tilde{C}(j\omega)$).



Now $\Pi_{WI}(0) = 0$, which implies that

$$|C(0)| = |\tilde{C}(0)| = \hat{k}$$

We still cannot reach high-gain C because stability in \mathcal{S}_1 requires

 $0 < \tilde{k} < \frac{1}{h}$

(if $\tilde{k} = \frac{1}{h}$, controller loop is ill posed). Advantage here is that

• this limitation shows up already in S_{1} ,

thus helping us to be under no illusions when \tilde{k} is designed in S_1 .

Static gain of MSP

Consider the requirement

$$C(0) = \tilde{C}(0)$$

implying that we want to guarantee that static gain of \tilde{C} is preserved in the two-stage design. This clearly is equivalent to

$$\Pi(0)=0.$$

In the MSP case,

$$T(0) = C \int_0^h e^{A(t-h)} dt B \neq 0$$

generically. To render it zero we may

• subtract from Π any RH^{∞} transfer function with static gain $\Pi(0)$. Apparently, the easiest example is a static gain $\Pi(0)$, resulting in

$$\Pi_{\mathsf{WI}}(s) = C \int_0^h \mathrm{e}^{A(t-h)} (\mathrm{e}^{-st} - 1) \mathrm{d}t B$$

(clearly $\Pi_{WI}(0) = 0$), which sometimes called Watanabe-Ito DTC.



Note that $\tilde{P}(s) = \frac{1-sh}{s}$ can be thought of as • approximation of $P(s) = \frac{1}{s}e^{-sh}$ (in fact, $\tilde{P}(s)$ is the [1, 1]-Padé approximation of P(s)).