Algebraic Techniques for Switching Systems

And applications to Wireless Control Neworks

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Switching systems

$$\mathbf{x}_{t+1} = \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{A}_0 \ \mathbf{x}_t \\ \mathbf{A}_1 \ \mathbf{x}_t \end{array}$$

Point-to-point Given x_0 and x_* , is there a product (say, $A_0 A_0 A_1 A_0 \dots A_1$) for which $x_*=A_0 A_0 A_1 A_0 \dots A_1 x_0$?

Mortality Is there a product that gives the zero matrix?

Boundedness Is the set of all products $\{A_0, A_1, A_0A_0, A_0A_1, ...\}$ bounded?

$\mathbf{x}_{t+1} = \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{A}_{0} \mathbf{x}_{t} \\ \mathbf{A}_{1} \mathbf{x}_{t} \end{array}$

Global convergence to the origin Do all products of the type $A_0 A_0 A_1 A_0 \dots A_1$ converge to zero?

The spectral radius of a matrix A controls the growth or decay of powers of A

$$ho(A) = \lim_{t o \infty} ||A^t||^{1/t}$$
 The powers of A converge to zero iff $ho(A) < 1$

The joint spectral radius of a set of matrices Σ is given by

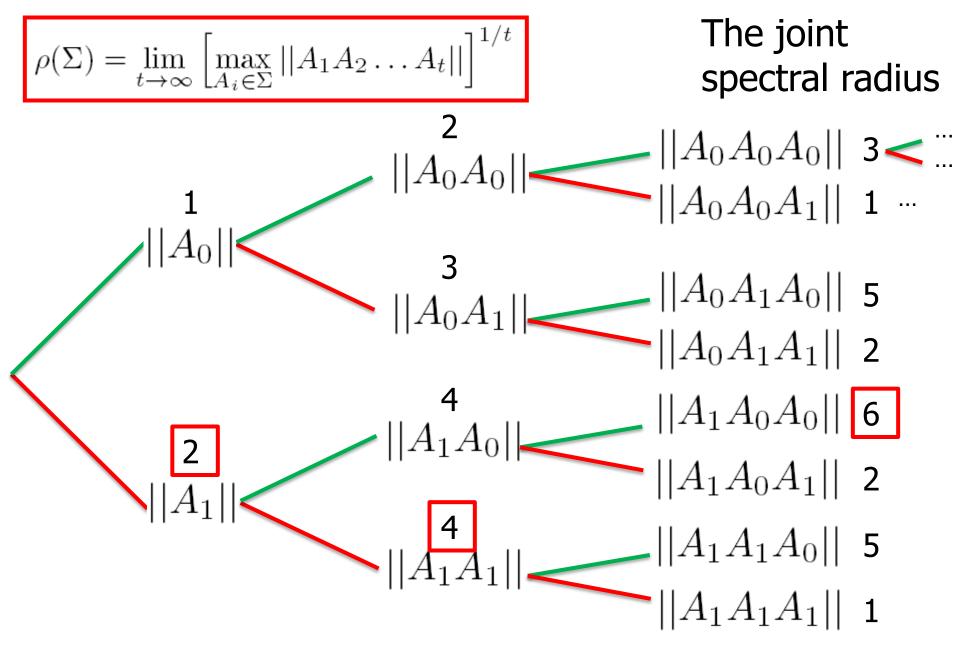
$$\rho(\Sigma) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \max_{A_i \in \Sigma} ||A_1 A_2 \dots A_t||^{1/t}$$

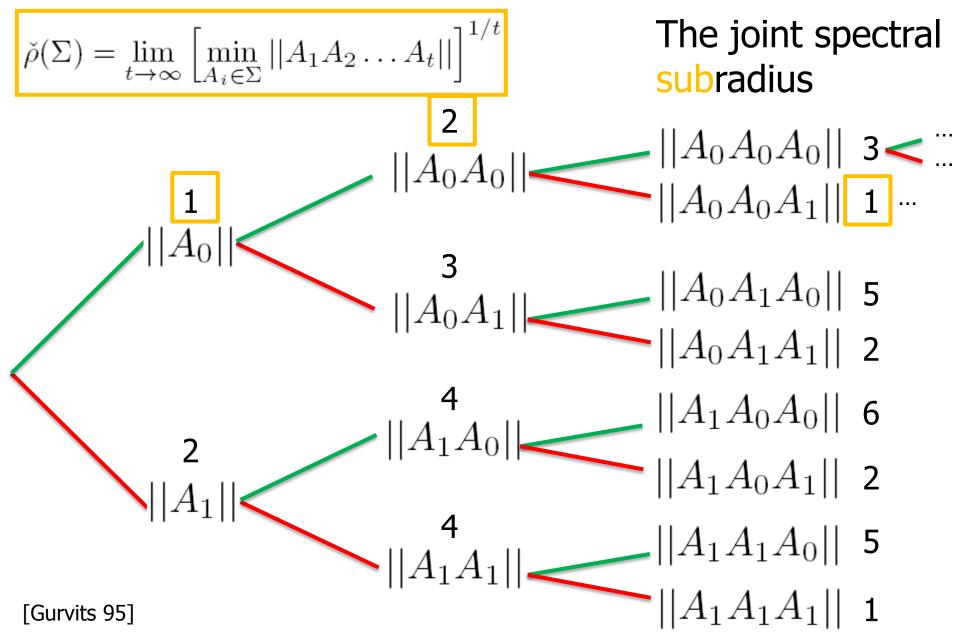
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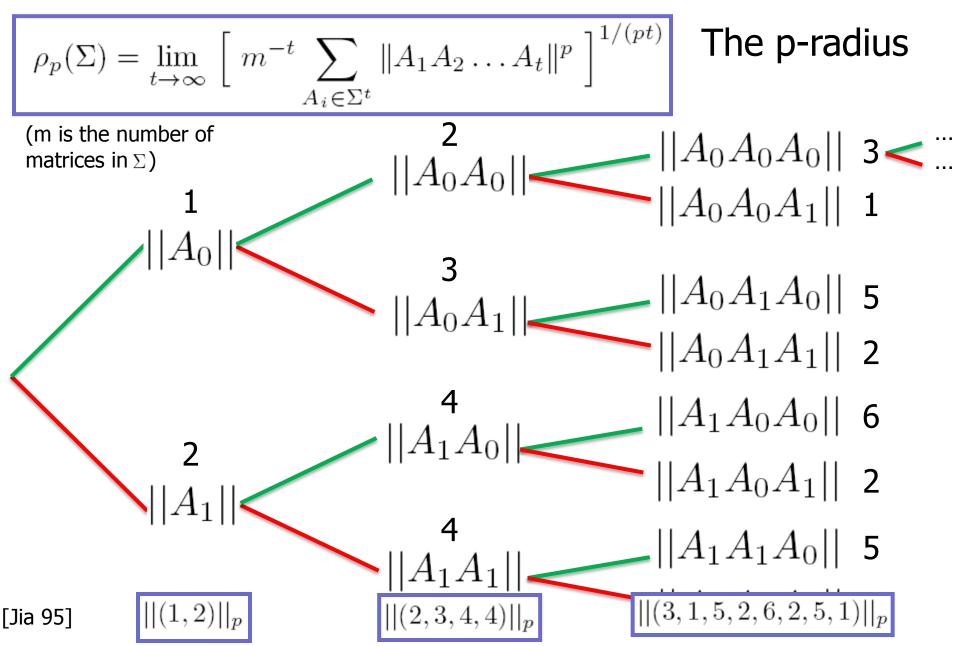


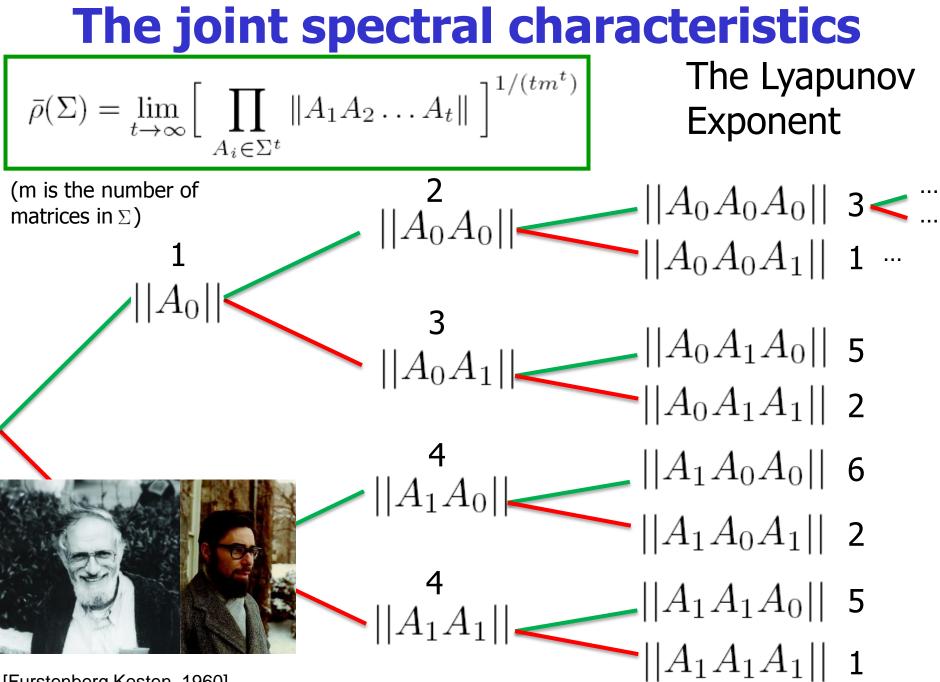












[Furstenberg Kesten, 1960]

$$\rho(\Sigma) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left[\max_{A_i \in \Sigma} ||A_1 A_2 \dots A_t|| \right]^{1/t}$$

The joint spectral radius addresses the **stability** problem

$$\check{\rho}(\Sigma) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left[\min_{A_i \in \Sigma} ||A_1 A_2 \dots A_t|| \right]^{1/t}$$

The joint spectral subradius addresses the **stabilizability** problem

$$\rho_{p}(\Sigma) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left[m^{-t} \sum_{A_{i} \in \Sigma^{t}} \|A_{1}A_{2} \dots A_{t}\|^{p} \right]^{1/(pt)}$$
The p-radius addresses
the... p-weak stability
[J. Protasov 10]

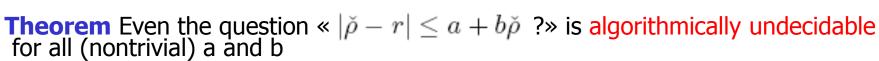
$$\bar{\rho}(\Sigma) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left[\prod_{A_{i} \in \Sigma^{t}} \|A_{1}A_{2} \dots A_{t}\| \right]^{1/(tm^{t})}$$
The Lyapunov exponent
addresses the stability
with probability one
(Cf. Oseledets Theorem)

The joint spectral characteristics: **Mission Impossible?**

Theorem Computing or approximating ρ is NP-hard

Theorem The problem $\rho \cdot 1$ is algorithmically undecidable

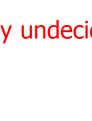
Conjecture The problem $\rho < 1$ is algorithmically undecidable



Theorem The same is true for the Lyapunov exponent

Theorem The p-radius is NP-hard to approximate





[Blondel Tsitsiklis 97, Blondel Tsitsiklis 00, J. Protasov 09]

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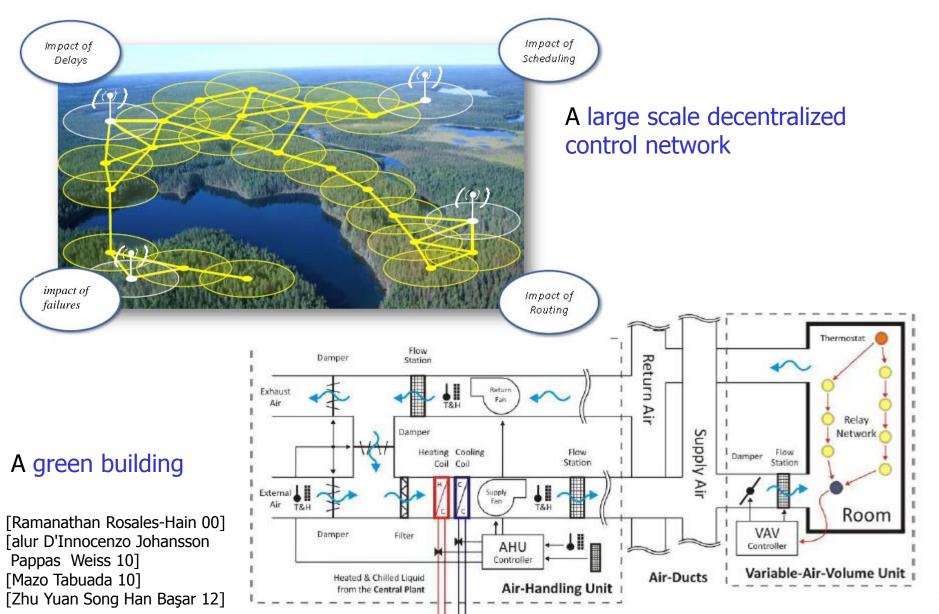
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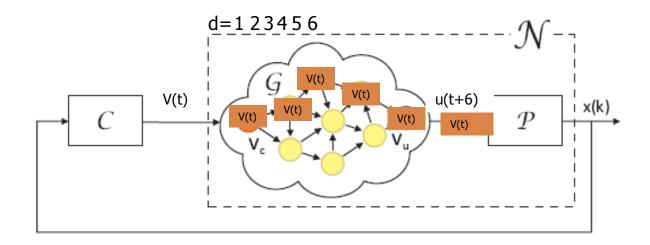
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Wireless control networks



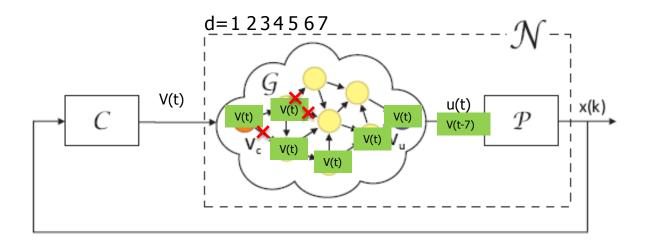
How to model failures?



WCNs are delay systems:

$$x(t+1) = Ax + B \operatorname{v}(t-d)$$

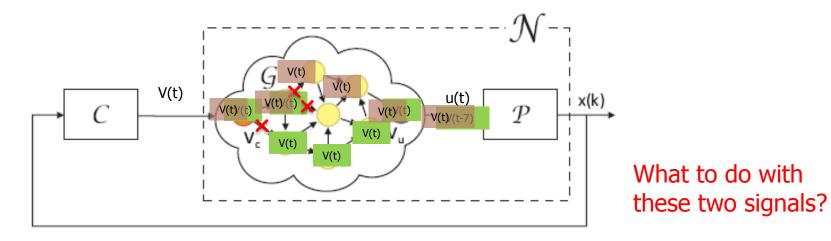
How to model failures? LTIs with switched delays



$$x(t+1) = Ax + B \operatorname{v}(t-d_2)$$
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T$$

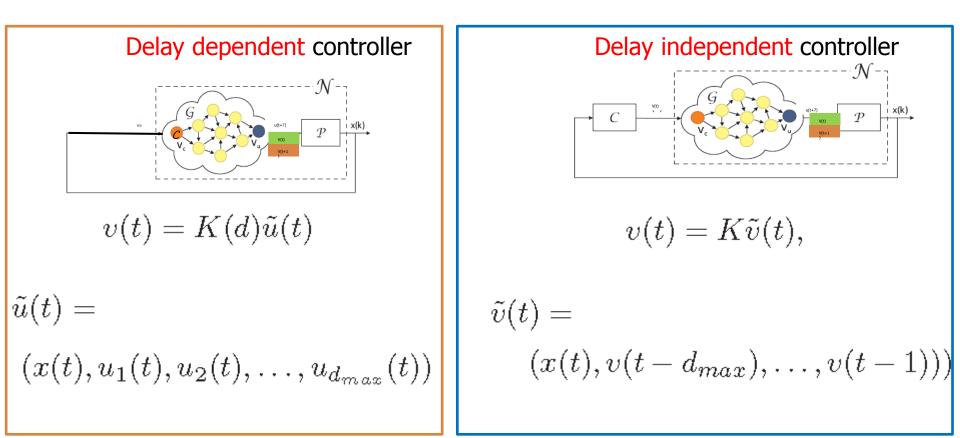
 $D = \{0, 1\}$

1) Two control signals can arrive at the same time



$$\begin{aligned} x(t+1) &= Ax(t) + Bu(v(t-d_{max}:t), \sigma(t-d_{max}:t)) \\ u_d(t) &= \sum_{t' < t: t' + \sigma(t') = t+d} v(t') \end{aligned}$$

2) Does the controller C know about the future delay?



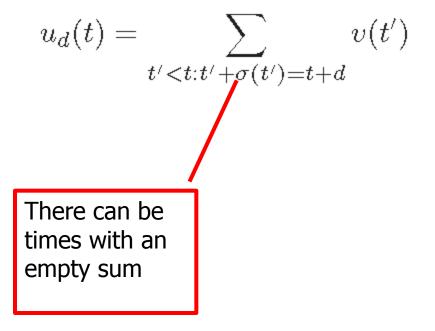
More generally, let us define the look-ahead N such that C knows d(t), d(t+1), ..., d(t+N-1)

3) When is the delay determined?

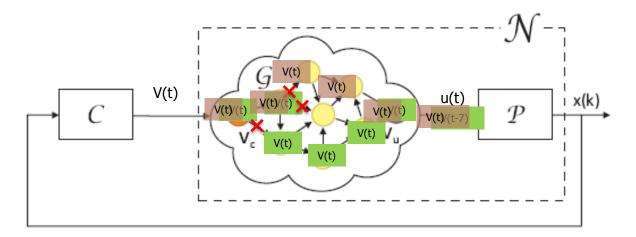
Previous models suppose that the delay is determined **`at the** plant':

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t - \tau(t))$$

Our delays are determined when the control signal is issued



4) How much memory should we give to the controller?



Normal (fixed) delay systems need d

 \rightarrow We (arbitrarily) chose the maximum delay

$$\begin{aligned} x(t+1) &= Ax(t) + Bu(v(t-d_{max}:t), \sigma(t-d_{max}:t)) \\ u_d(t) &= \sum_{t' < t: t' + \sigma(t') = t+d} v(t') \end{aligned}$$

LTIs with switched delays An example to wrap up...

 Example the delay independent case n=m=1, D={0,1}:

$$x(t+1) = ax(t) + k_1x(t) + k_2x(t-1) \text{ if } \sigma(t) = 0$$
$$+k_1x(t-1) + k_2x(t-2) \text{ if } \sigma(t-1) = 1$$

→ Question: how to algorithmically decide if stabilization is possible, even in this simplest case?

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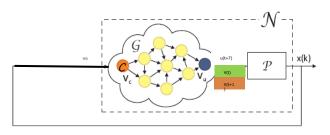
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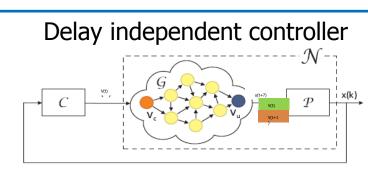




$$v(t) = K(d)\tilde{u}(t)$$

 $\tilde{u}(t) =$

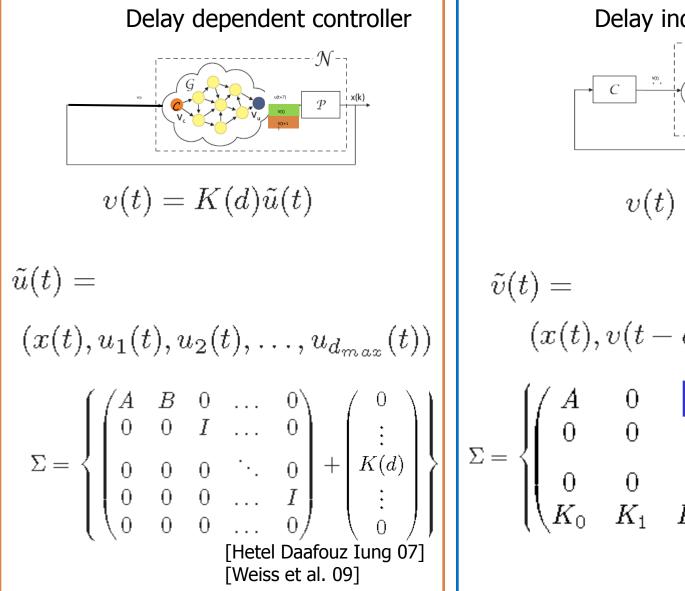
$$(x(t), u_1(t), u_2(t), \dots, u_{d_{max}}(t))$$



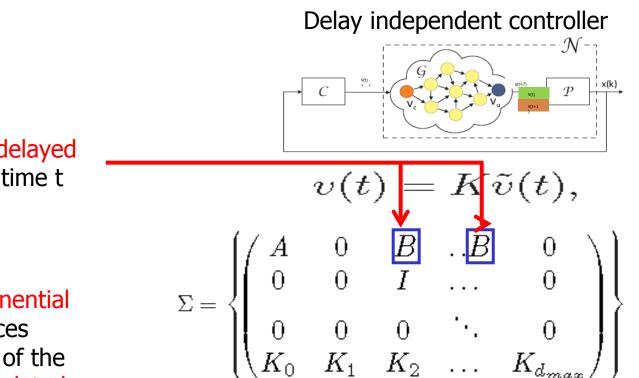
$$v(t) = K\tilde{v}(t),$$

$$\tilde{v}(t) = (x(t), v(t - d_{max}), \dots, v(t - 1)))$$

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Correspond to all the delayed controls that arrive at time t

- There is an exponential number of matrices
- The occurrences of the matrices are correlated

We propose an alternative representation as an unconstrained switching system, with a polynomial sized set of matrices!

 $(n+2d_{max}m)$ -dimensional with only d matrices. Idea: double the state space: $\tilde{w}(t) = (x(t), u_1(t), \dots, u_{d_{max}}(t), v(t-d_{max}), \dots, v(t-1))$

LTIs with switched delays



• Corollary

For both models there is a PTAS for the stability question:

for any required accuracy, there is a polynomial-time algorithm for checking stability up to this accuracy

Previous sufficient conditions for stability in [Hetel Daafouz Iung 07, Zhang Shi Basin 08]

• However:

Theorem the very stability problem is NP-hard Theorem the boundedness problem is even Turing-undecidable!

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Design of LTIs with switched delays What are the intrinsically uncontrollable systems?

• Given a good old linear system

$$x(t+1) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$$

Is it controllable if the control signal is subject to delays varying in a set?

$$\begin{split} \tilde{u}(t) &= \\ (x(t), u_1(t), u_2(t), \dots, u_{d_{max}}(t)) & \Sigma = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} A & B & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & I \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ K(d) \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{split}$$

- Definition A system is controllable (with look-ahead N) if for any delay sequence and any pair (x,y), there is a control sequence that maps x on y
- Observation If the pair (A,b) is uncontrollable, then the delayed system is uncontrollable.
- It seems hard to do... Let us first suppose we know all the future delays (infinite look-ahead)

 Theorem for n=m=1, there is an explicit formula for a linear controller that achieves deadbeat stabilization, even if N=1

(based on a generalization of the Ackermann formula for delayed LTI)

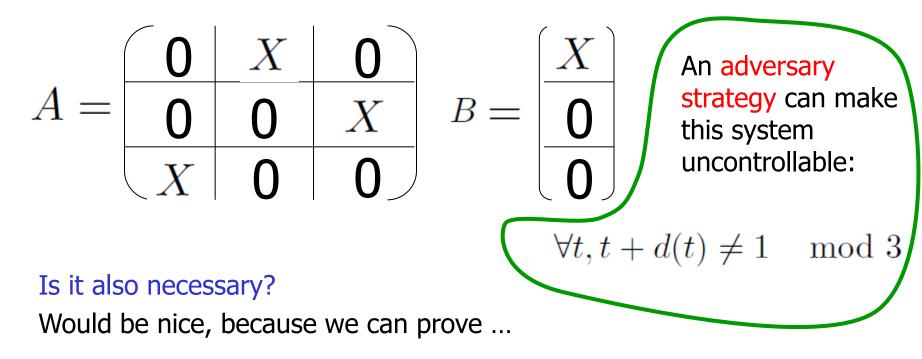
$$K^*(d) = (-a^{d+1}/b, -a^d, -a^{d-1}, \dots, -a)$$

- So, does a controllable system always remain controllable with delays?
- No! when n>1, nastier things can happen...

Example: $x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^T$ $x_1 = A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $D = \{0, 1\}, \quad \sigma(t) = t \mod 2$ $x_2 = A^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + Bv(1) + Bv(2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v(1) + v(2) \end{pmatrix}$

➔ The system is not stabilizable, even with infinite lookahead

• A sufficient condition for uncontrollability (informal): if A,B can be put in the following form (under similarity transformation):



• Theorem There is a polynomial time algorithm that decides whether such an adversary strategy is possible

• Answer: No! There are more intricate examples

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta_1 & -\cos \theta_1 & 0 & 0\\ \cos \theta_1 & \sin \theta_1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \sin \theta_2 & -\cos \theta_2\\ 0 & 0 & \cos \theta_2 & \sin \theta_2 \end{pmatrix}, \ b = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1\\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D = \{0, 1, \dots, 121\} \qquad \theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{120} \qquad \theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{60}$$
$$\sigma(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \le t \le 2\\ 121 - t \mod(121) & \text{if } t \ge 3 \end{cases}$$

• Theorem Controllability is decidable (in exponential time)

Proof Split the problem into a nihilpotent matrix and a regular matrix

$$TAT^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} J_{0,k} & 0 \\ 0 & A' \end{pmatrix}, \quad Tb = \begin{pmatrix} b_0 \\ b' \end{pmatrix}$$

Lemma: The nihilpotent case is completely combinatorial

 $\mathsf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} n+2|D|\\ 2|D| \end{pmatrix}$

• Lemma: The regular case can be decided thanks to a finite dimension argument

Algo: try every delay sequence of length smaller than some bound L and look for a 'loop'

 Corollary controllability with infinite look-ahead = controllability with arbitrarily large but finite look-ahead

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• Example the delay independent case

n=m=1, D={0,1}: find k_1 , k_2 such that

 $x(t+1) = ax(t) + k_1 x(t) + k_2 x(t-1) \text{ if } \sigma(t) = 0$ + $k_1 x(t-1) + k_2 x(t-2) \text{ if } \sigma(t-1) = 1$

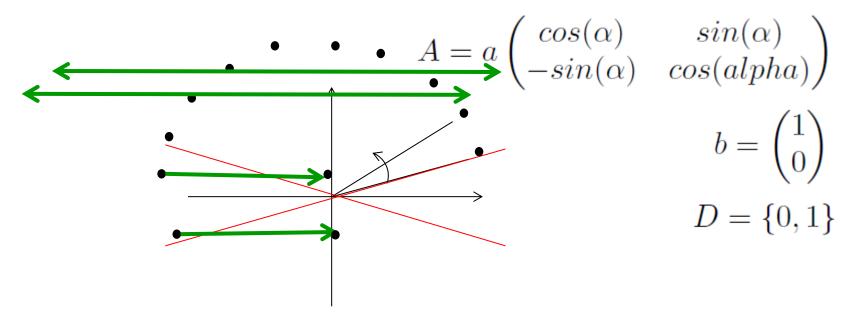
is stable, whatever switching signal $\sigma(t)$ occurs?

- a>3: impossible
- a=2: possible, but you'll need memory
- **a=1.1:** possible with $k_2 = 0$
- a<1: no need for a controller!
- Question: how to algorithmically decide if stabilization is possible, even in this simplest case?

Design of LTIs with switched delays the delay-independent case

A linear controller is not always sufficient:

Example: a 2D system with two possible delays



 Theorem For the above system, there exist values of the parameters such that no linear controller can stabilize the system, but a nonlinear bangbang controller does the job.

LTIs with switched delays **Open questions**

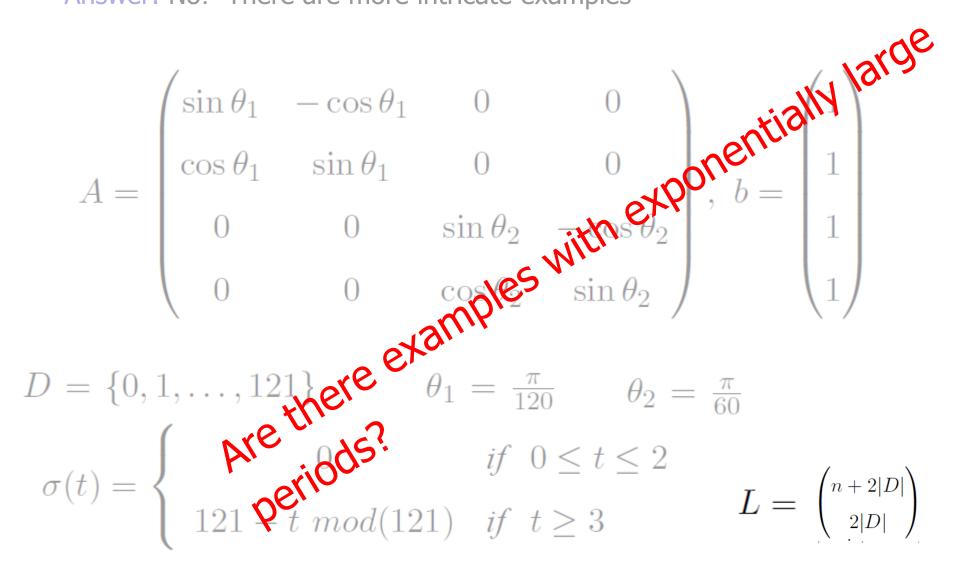
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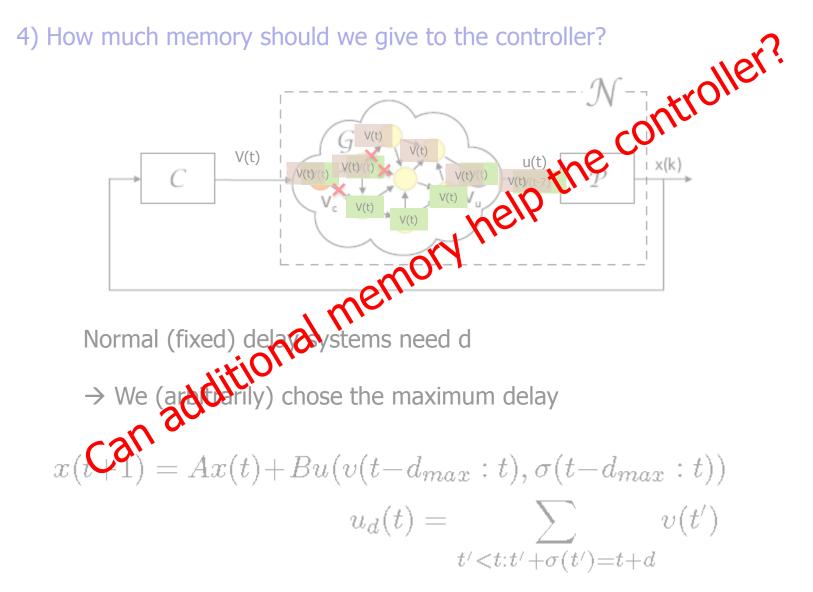
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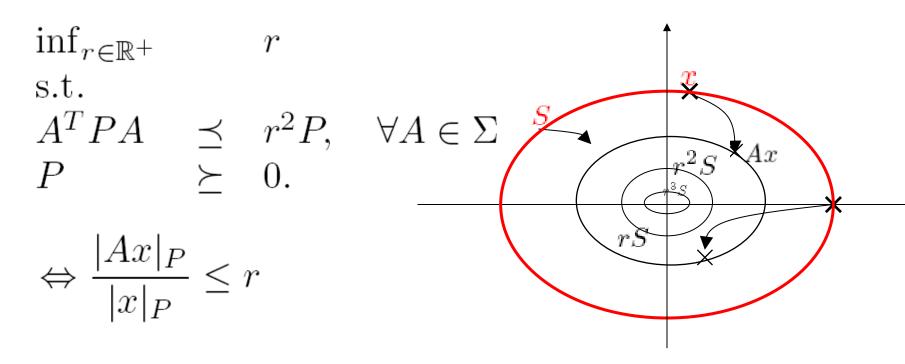
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LMI methods

• The CQLF method



• Theorem The best ellipsoidal norm $\|\cdot\|_{E_*}$ approximates the joint spectral radius up to a factor \sqrt{n} [Ando Shih 98]

LMI methods

- Other methods using LMIs have been proposed
 - Based on symmetric algebras [Blondel Nesterov 05]
 - Based on sum of squares [Parrilo Jadbabaie 08]

 All these methods can be seen as trying to approximate the best norm with more and more complex curves

...Or, the symmetric algebras (the SOS) allow for lifting the matrices in a higher-dimensional (but more gentle) space

There exists a PTAS for the jsr computation **Algorithm** that approximate the joint spectral radius of arbitrary sets of n by n matrices up to an arbitrary accuracy ϵ in $\mathcal{O}(n^{m\frac{1}{\epsilon}})$ operations

Yet another LMI method

• A strange semidefinite program

$$\min_{r \in \mathbb{R}^+} \qquad r$$
s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_1^T P_1 A_1 & \preceq & r^2 P_1, \\ A_2^T P_1 A_2 & \preceq & r^2 P_2, \\ A_1^T P_2 A_1 & \preceq & r^2 P_1, \\ A_2^T P_2 A_2 & \preceq & r^2 P_2, \\ P & \succeq & 0. \end{array}$$

 $\rho \leq r$

[Goebel, Hu, Teel 06]

But also... [Daafouz Bernussou 01]
 [Bliman Ferrari-Trecate 03]
 [Lee and Dullerud 06] ...

Yet another LMI method

• An even stranger program:

 $\min_{r \in \mathbb{R}^+} \qquad r$ s.t. $A_1^T P A_1 \qquad \preceq \quad r^2 P,$ $(A_2 A_1)^T P (A_2 A_1) \qquad \preceq \quad r^4 P,$ $(A_2^2)^T P (A_2^2) \qquad \preceq \quad r^4 P,$ $P \qquad \succeq \quad 0.$



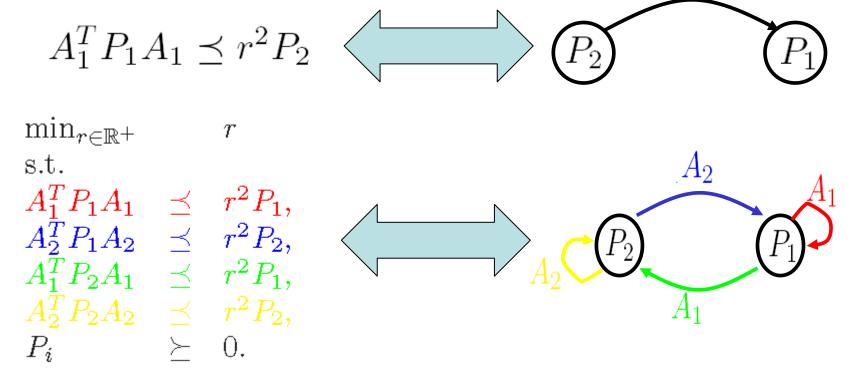
[Ahmadi, J., Parrilo, Roozbehani10]

Yet another LMI method

- Questions:
 - Can we characterize all the LMIs that work, in a unified framework?
 - Which LMIs are better than others?
 - How to prove that an LMI works?
 - Can we provide converse Lyapunov theorems for more methods?

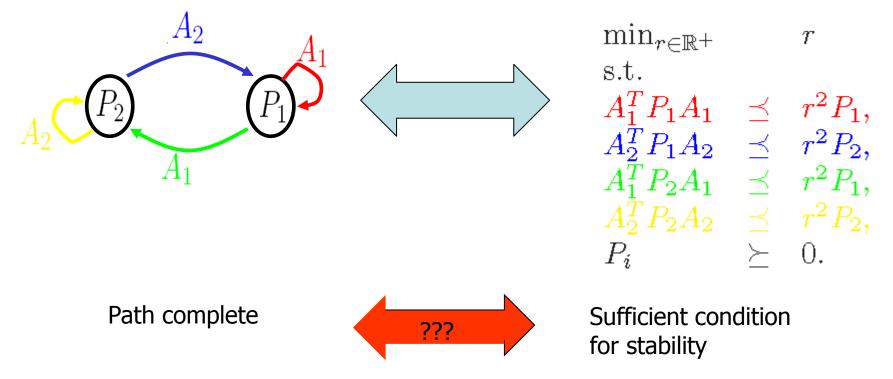
From an LMI to an automaton

• Automata representation Given a set of LMIs, construct an automaton like this: A_1



- Definition A labeled graph (with label set A) is path-complete if for any word on the alphabet A, there exists a path in the graph that generates the corresponding word.
- Theorem If G is path-complete, the corresponding semidefinite program is a sufficient condition for stability. [Ahmadi J. Parrilo Roozbehani 11]

An obvious question: are there other Theorem valid criteria?

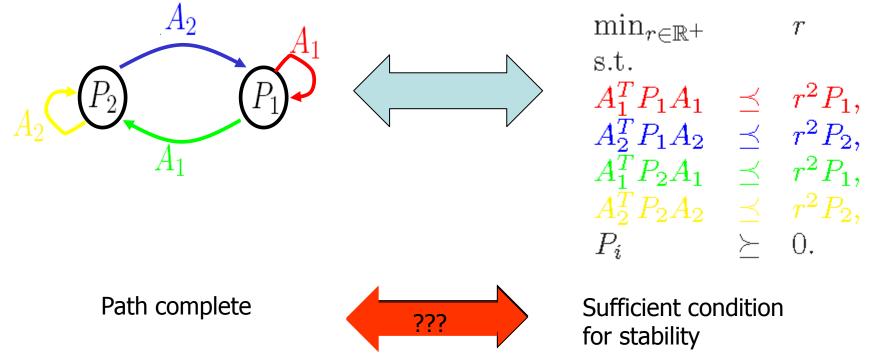


If G is path-complete, the corresponding semidefinite program is a sufficient condition for stability.

- Are all valid sets of equations coming from path-complete graphs?
- ...or are there even more valid LMI criteria?

Are there other valid criteria?

• Theorem Non path-complete sets of LMIs are not sufficient for stability. [J. Ahmadi Parrilo Roozbehani 12]



• Corollary

It is PSPACE complete to recognize sets of equations that are a sufficient condition for stability

 These results are not limited to LMIs, but apply to other families of conic inequalities

What about the other quantities?

	Arbitrary approximation	Arbitrary approximation in polynomial time	Arbitrary approximation for positive matrices	Decidability	
Joint Spectral Radius	*	*	*	?	
Joint Spectral Subradius	×	×	V	×	
Lyapunov Exponent	2	x	v	x	
p-radius	Depends on p	Depends on p	v	?	

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[Furstenberg Kesten, 1960] [Gurvits, 1995]





[Rota, Strang, 1960]



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Mathematical properties

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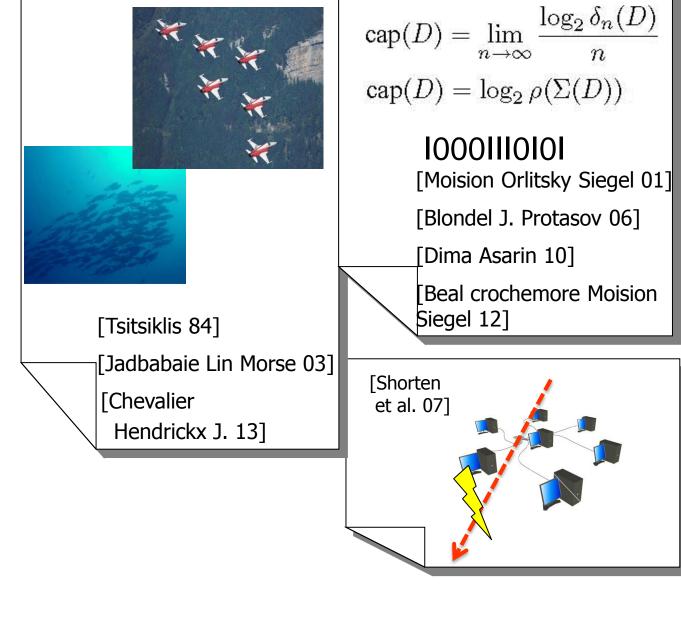
TCS inspired Negative Complexity results Lyapunov/LMI Techniques (S-procedure)

2000s

CPS applic. Ad hoc techniques

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Applications





[Hernandez-Varga colaneri Middleton Blanchini 10]

Thanks!

Questions?

Ads

<u>The JSR Toolbox:</u> <u>http://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fil</u> <u>eexchange/33202-the-jsr-toolbox</u> [Van Keerberghen, Hendrickx, J. HSCC 2014]

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