

Stability and control of stochastic nonlinear delay systems

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Stochastic nonlinear system:

Consider the following stochastic differential equation:

$$dx(t) = f(x(t))dt + g(x(t))dw(t), \quad t \geq t_0 \geq 0, \quad (1)$$

with the initial value $x(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$, where f and g are two measurable functions, and $w(t)$ is a Brownian motion.

沃尔夫奖、高斯奖和京都奖 Ito Kiyoshi (1915-2008)



Important applications:

The 1997 Nobel Prize in economics, Black-Scholes formula:

$$dx(t) = \mu x(t)dt + \sigma x(t)dw(t), \quad t \geq t_0 \geq 0.$$



Myron Scholes (1941-) Robert C. Merton(1944-)

Common questions:

- If the solution $x(t)$ of (1) exists, then it is a Markov process.
- We are concerned with the existence and uniqueness of solution to system (1).
- We are concerned with the long time behavior of the solution $x(t)$:

$$(i) \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) =? \quad a.s.$$

$$(ii) \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{E}|x(t)|^p =?$$

Various complex phenomena lead to system instability

- In practical systems, it often happens that some stochastic differential equations (SDEs) are unstable.



Earthquake



Tsunami



War



Financial Crisis

Our concerning question

$$dx(t) = f(x(t), t)dt + g(x(t), t)dB(t), \quad t \geq t_0. \quad (2)$$

Question 1: Under what condition the SDE (2) is stable?

$$dx(t) = [f(x(t), t) + u(x(t))]dt + g(x(t), t)dB(t), \quad t \geq t_0. \quad (3)$$

Question 2: If the SDE (2) is unstable, then whether there exists a control $u(x(t))$ such that the SDE (3) is stable ?

- Naturally, an interesting and challenging problem is how to design a control function to guarantee the stability of controlled SDEs when the original system is unstable?

Existing methods

- **Continuous-time feedback control**

For stabilization of SDEs, many results have been presented via continuous-time feedback control, we can refer to the following papers.

- X. Mao, Y. G. George, C. Yuan, Stabilization and destabilization of hybrid systems of stochastic differential equations, *Automatica*, 43(2007) 264-273.
- F. Deng, Q. Luo, X. Mao, Stochastic stabilization of hybrid differential equations, *Automatica*, 48(2012)2321-2328.
- Q. Zhu, H. Wang, Output feedback stabilization of stochastic feedforward systems with unknown control coefficients and unknown output function, *Automatica*, 87(2018)166-175.
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Existing methods

- **Sampled-data control**

For stabilization of SDEs, many results have been presented via sampled-data control, we can refer to the following papers.

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- X. Mao, W. Liu, L. Hu, Q. Luo, J. Lu, Stabilization of hybrid stochastic differential equations by feedback control based on discrete-time state observations, *Syst. Control Lett.*, 73(2014)88-95.
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Disadvantages of the above methods

- The continuous-time state feedback control requires that the controller observes the state of the process and makes a decision every time.
- Obviously, this is too expensive and not realistic in real lives.
- Sampled-data control requires that the controller observes the state of the process and makes a decision every time according to the fix time.
- Obviously, it does not take into account the system behavior.

Our method—the event-triggered control

- The event-triggered control is a better sampled-data control.
- The sampling and the updating of the controller are triggered by the occurrence of certain events depending on the system state.
- The event-triggered control is more effective in the real control problem.
- For deterministic systems, there are a large number of results.
- For stochastic systems, there are some results but most results are concentrated on the discrete-time systems.

The event-triggered control problem for deterministic systems

- V. Dolk, M. Heemels, Event-triggered control systems under packet losses, *Automatica*, 80(2017)143-155.
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- K. Hashimoto, S. Adachi, D. V. Dimarogonas, Event-triggered intermittent sampling for nonlinear model predictive control, *Automatica*, 81(2017)148-155.
- D.P. Borgers, W. Heemels, Event-separation properties of event-triggered control systems, *IEEE Trans. Autom. Control*, 59(10)(2014)2644-2656.

The event-triggered control problem for discrete-time stochastic systems

- D. Ding, Z. Wang, B. Shen, and G. Wei, Event-triggered consensus control for discrete-time stochastic multi-agent systems: the input to state stability in probability, *Automatica*, 62(2015)284-291.
- D. Quevedo, V. Gupta, W. Ma, S. Yüksel, Stochastic stability of event-triggered anytime control, *IEEE Trans. Autom. Control*, 59(12)(2014)3373-3379.
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The event-triggered control problem for continuous-time stochastic systems

- L. Wu, Y. Gao, J. Liu, H. Li, Event-triggered sliding mode control of stochastic systems via output feedback, *Automatica*, 82(2017)79-92.
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However, delays are ignored in the above works even if delays are a major source for causing instability and poor performances.

Open problem: How to solve the event-triggered control problem for continuous-time stochastic delay systems?

Notations

- $\mathcal{Z}_+ = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ and $\mathbb{R}_+ = [0, +\infty)$.
- \mathcal{L}_∞^n denotes the class of measurable and essentially bounded functions v from \mathbb{R}_+ to \mathbb{R}^n with $\|v\|_\infty = \text{ess sup}_{t \geq 0} |v(t)| < \infty$.
- $\mathcal{C}([-\tau, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n)$ denotes the family of continuous functions ϕ from $[-\tau, 0]$ to \mathbb{R}^n with the uniform norm $\|\phi\|_\tau = \sup_{-\tau \leq \theta \leq 0} |\phi(\theta)|$.
- $L_{\mathcal{F}_0}^2([-\tau, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n)$ denotes the family of all \mathcal{F}_0 measurable, $\mathcal{C}([-\tau, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n)$ -valued stochastic variables $\phi = \{\phi(\theta) : -\tau \leq \theta \leq 0\}$ such that $\sup_{-\tau \leq \theta \leq 0} \mathbf{E}|\phi(\theta)|^2 < \infty$.

Our model

We are concerned with the following Itô stochastic nonlinear delay system with exogenous disturbances:

$$dx(t) = [Ax(t) + Bx(t - \tau) + f(t, x(t)) + g(t, x(t - \tau)) + Cu(t) + v(t)]dt + \sigma(t, x(t), x(t - \tau))dW(t), \quad (4)$$

where the initial data

$x_0 = \phi = \{\phi(\theta), -\tau \leq \theta \leq 0\} \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}([-\tau, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n)$, $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$, and $v(t) \in \mathcal{L}^n_\infty$ are state vector, feedback control vector, and unknown exogenous disturbance input vector, respectively. A, B, C are constant matrices with compatible dimensions.

Existence-uniqueness condition of solution

- f, g, σ are assumed to satisfy the global Lipschitz condition: there exist four nonnegative constants l_1, l_2, r_1, r_2 such that

$$|f(t, x_1) - f(t, x_2)|^2 \leq l_1 |x_1 - x_2|^2,$$

$$|g(t, x_1) - g(t, x_2)|^2 \leq l_2 |x_1 - x_2|^2,$$

$$|\sigma(t, x_1, x_3) - \sigma(t, x_2, x_4)|^2 \leq r_1 |x_1 - x_2|^2 + r_2 |x_3 - x_4|^2,$$

where $t \in \mathbb{R}_+, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

- Moreover, $f(t, 0) = 0, g(t, 0) = 0, \sigma(t, 0, 0) = 0$.

A new event-triggered scheme

The sampling time sequence $\{t_i : i \in \mathcal{Z}_+\}$ satisfies $t_0 = 0$ and

$$t_{i+1} = \inf\{t : t > t_i, h(t) > 0\},$$

where $h(t)$ is an event-generator function to be determined later. The controller is taken as follows:

$$u(t) = Kx(t_i), \quad t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}), i \in \mathcal{Z}_+, \quad (5)$$

where $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is the feedback gain to be determined later. Then, system (4) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} dx(t) = & [Ax(t) + Bx(t - \tau) + f(t, x(t)) + g(t, x(t - \tau)) \\ & + CKx(t_i) + v(t)]dt + \sigma(t, x(t), x(t - \tau))dW(t), \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

for $t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}), i \in \mathcal{Z}_+$.

A new event-triggered scheme

Let $\varepsilon(t)$ denote the measurement error between the sampled state and current state. Then, we have

$$\varepsilon(t) = x(t_i) - x(t). \quad (7)$$

By (7), we can rewrite system (6) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} dx(t) = & [(A + CK)x(t) + Bx(t - \tau) + f(t, x(t)) \\ & + g(t, x(t - \tau)) + CK\varepsilon(t) + v(t)]dt \\ & + \sigma(t, x(t), x(t - \tau))dW(t). \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

In this paper, we consider an event-generator function h as follows:

$$h(t) = |\varepsilon(t)|^2 - \eta_1 |x(t_i)|^2 - \eta_2, \quad t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}), \quad i \in \mathcal{Z}_+, \quad (9)$$

where $\eta_1, \eta_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$ are the weight parameter and threshold parameter to be designed, and they satisfy $\eta_1^2 + \eta_2^2 \neq 0$.

Definition of input-to-state practically exponentially mean-square stability

- System (8) is said to be **input-to-state practically exponentially mean-square stable with respect to the exogenous disturbance input $v(t)$** if there exist three constants $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, $d \geq 0$ and a function $\gamma \in \mathcal{H}$ such that

$$\mathbf{E}|x(t; \phi)|^2 \leq \alpha e^{-\beta t} \sup_{-\tau \leq \theta \leq 0} \mathbf{E}|\phi(\theta)|^2 + \gamma(|v|_\infty) + d$$

for $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $\phi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}([-\tau, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n)$ and $v \in \mathcal{L}^n_\infty$.

- Especially, when $d = 0$, system (4) is said to be **input-to-state exponentially mean-square stable**.
- Furthermore, when $d = 0$ and $v = 0$, system (4) is said to be **exponentially mean-square stable**.

Definition of input-to-state practically exponentially mean-square stabilization

- **System (4)** is said to be **input-to-state practically exponentially mean-square stabilizable** if there exist a feedback gain matrix K and triggering parameters η_1, η_2 such that system (8) is input-to-state practically exponentially mean-square stable with respect to the exogenous disturbance input $v(t)$.
- Especially, when $d = 0$, system (4) is said to be **input-to-state exponentially mean-square stabilizable**.
- Furthermore, when $d = 0$ and $v = 0$, system (4) is said to be **exponentially mean-square stabilizable**.

Theorem 1

Let the matrix $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and two $\eta_1, \eta_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$ satisfy $0 \leq \eta_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \eta_2 \geq 0$. If there exist positive definite matrices $P, Q, G_i (i = 1, 2, 3, 4)$ such that the following matrix inequality holds:

$$\Pi = \begin{pmatrix} \pi_{11} & PB \\ \star & \pi_{22} \end{pmatrix} < 0,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{11} = & PA + PCK + A^T P + K^T C^T P \\ & + PG_1^{-1} P + I_1 G_1 + PG_2^{-1} P \\ & + PG_3^{-1} P + PCKG_4^{-1} K^T C^T P \\ & + \lambda_{\max}(P)r_1 + Q + \lambda_{\max}(G_4) \frac{2\eta_1}{1 - 2\eta_1}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\pi_{22} = -Q + \lambda_{\max}(P)r_2 + l_2 G_2.$$

Then, system (8) is **input-to-state practically exponentially mean-square stable with respect to $v(t)$** .

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Corollary 1

Let all the conditions of Theorem 1 hold. When $\eta_2 = 0$ in $h(t)$, system (8) is **input-to-state exponentially mean-square stable with respect to $v(t)$** . Furthermore, when $v(t) = 0$ in (8) and $\eta_2 = 0$ in $h(t)$, system (8) is **exponentially mean-square stable**.

Theorem 2

Let two $\eta_1, \eta_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$ satisfy $0 \leq \eta_1 < \frac{1}{2}, \eta_2 \geq 0$. System (4) is **input-to-state practically exponentially mean-square stabilizable** if there exist positive definite matrices $P, Q, G_i (i = 1, 2, 3, 4)$ and a constant matrix $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ such that

$$\Pi = \begin{pmatrix} \Lambda & X \\ \star & \pi_{22} \end{pmatrix} < 0, \quad (10)$$

where

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \pi_{11} & P & P & P & CY \\ \star & -G_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \star & \star & -\hat{G}_2 & 0 & 0 \\ \star & \star & \star & -G_3 & 0 \\ \star & \star & \star & \star & -G_4 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{aligned} X &= [PB \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]^T, \\ \pi_{11} &= PA + CY + A^T P + Y^T C^T + l_1 G_1 \\ &\quad + \lambda_{\max}(P)r_1 + Q + \lambda_{\max}(G_4) \frac{2\eta_1}{1 - 2\eta_1}, \\ \pi_{22} &= -Q + \lambda_{\max}(P)r_2 + l_2 G_2. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, the gain matrix K of the desired feedback controller (5) is designed by

$$K = YP^{-1}. \tag{11}$$

Proof of Theorems

I do not present the proof since it is complex and tedious. Instead, I only mention some techniques as follows:

- Construct the following Lyapunov-Krasovskii functional:

$$V(x_t) = x^T(t)Px(t) + \int_{t-\tau}^t x^T(s)Qx(s)ds.$$

- By using the event-triggered condition and $\varepsilon(t)$, how to deal with $x(t_k)$?
- Stochastic analysis, the Dynkin formula and some inequalities techniques, etc.
- Since t_j is a stopping time,

$$\mathbf{E} \int_{t_j}^t \mathcal{L}|\varepsilon(s)|^2 ds = \int_{t_j}^t \mathbf{E} \mathcal{L}|\varepsilon(s)|^2 ds$$

does not hold.

Remark

- In the proof of Theorems 1 and 2, we obtain

$$\mathbf{E}|x(t)|^2 \leq \alpha e^{-\beta t} \sup_{-\tau \leq \theta \leq 0} \mathbf{E}|\xi(\theta)|^2 + \gamma(|v|_\infty) + d, \quad (12)$$

where

$$\alpha := \frac{1}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P})} [\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P}) + \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{Q})\beta\tau^2 e^{\beta\tau}],$$

$$\gamma(\mathbf{s}) := \frac{\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{G}_3)|v(\mathbf{s})|^2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P})\beta},$$

$$d := \frac{\eta_2 \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{G}_4)}{(1 - 2\eta_1)\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P})\beta}.$$

Remark

- Thus, we provide the ultimately bounded estimation for the state $x(t)$ and the ultimate bound can be determined by (12), which depends on the triggered parameter η_2 and the infinite norm $|v|_\infty$.
- In particular, when $\eta_2 = 0$ and $v = 0$, the system state $x(t)$ converges to zero with the exponential decay rate β , which is determined by the equation
$$\beta \lambda_{\max}(P) + \lambda_{\max}(Q) \beta \tau e^{\beta \tau} = \gamma.$$

Theorem 3

Let all the conditions in Theorem 1 hold. Then, there is a positive constant T^* such that $t_{i+1} - t_i \geq T^*$ for all $i \in \mathcal{Z}_+$.

Remark

- In Theorem 3, we obtain the lower bounds of inter-execution times based on the proposed event-triggered control method: $t_{i+1} - t_i \geq T^* > 0$ for all $i \in \mathcal{Z}_+$.
- This fact implies that **the Zeno behavior does not happen** in our proposed event-triggered control scheme but we can still ensure the input-to-state exponential mean-square stability of system (8).
- Thus, our result is quite different from the traditional event-triggered control results established on the Zeno behaviors [1]–[4].
- Moreover, **noise disturbance was ignored** in [1]–[4].

References on the traditional event-triggered control

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- 3 J. Lunze, D. Lehmann, A state-feedback approach to event-based control, *Automatica*, 46(1)(2010) 211-215.
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Remark

In the proof of Theorem 3, we obtain

$$t_{i+1} - t_i \geq \frac{1}{a_1} \ln\left(1 + \frac{a_1(\eta_1 \mathbf{E}|x(t_i)|^2) + \eta_2}{a_2 \mathbf{E}|x(t_i)|^2 + \bar{K}}\right) > 0. \quad (13)$$

- (13) gives a rough prediction for the next triggering time t_{i+1} by the computation method.
- Moreover, the execution interval will disappear when η_1 and η_2 go to zero. Thus, we always choose η_1 and η_2 to control the event-triggered frequency.

H_∞ control of stochastic networked control systems with time-varying delays

We are concerned with the following Itô stochastic nonlinear delay system with exogenous disturbances:

$$\begin{aligned} dx(t) &= [A(t)x(t) + B(t)x(t - \tau(t)) + C(t)u(t) + F_v v(t)]dt \\ &\quad + [G_1 x(t) + G_2 x(t - \tau(t))]dW(t), \\ y(t) &= Dx(t) + Eu(t), \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

where the initial data

$x_0 = \xi = \{\xi(\theta), -\tau \leq \theta \leq 0\} \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}([-\tau, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n)$, $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $v(t) \in \mathcal{L}_2[0, \infty)$ and $y(t) \in \mathbb{R}^p$ are state vector, control input vector, disturbance input vector, and controlled out vector, respectively. $\tau(t)$ is the time-varying delay, which is differential and satisfies $0 \leq \tau(t) \leq \tau$ and $\dot{\tau}(t) \leq \rho < 1$.

H_∞ control of stochastic networked control systems with time-varying delays

$A(t) = A + \Delta A(t)$, $B(t) = B + \Delta B(t)$, $C(t) = C + \Delta C(t)$,
 A, B, C, D, E, F_v and G are constant matrices with appropriate dimensions; $\Delta A(t)$, $\Delta B(t)$ and $\Delta C(t)$ denote the time-varying parameter uncertainties such that

$[\Delta A(t), \Delta B(t), \Delta C(t)] = MF(t)[N_1, N_2, N_3]$, where M and $N_i (i = 1, 2, 3)$ are the known constant matrices and $F(t)$ satisfies: $F^T(t)F(t) \leq I$.

We now introduce the following event-triggered scheme. There is a sampling time sequence $\{t_i : i \in \mathcal{Z}_o^+\}$ such that $t_0 = 0$ and

$$t_{i+1} = \inf\{t : t > t_i, J(t) > 0\},$$

where $J(t)$ is defined in (19) below and it is usually called the event-generator function.

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The controller is defined as

$$u(t) = Kx(t_i), \quad t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}), i \in \mathcal{Z}_0^+, \quad (15)$$

where $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is the feedback matrix. Usually, such a state feedback sampled-data control is ZOH.

Obviously, we can rewrite system (14) as

$$\begin{aligned} dx(t) &= [A(t)x(t) + B(t)x(t - \tau(t)) \\ &\quad + C(t)Kx(t_i) + F_v v(t)]dt \\ &\quad + [G_1 x(t) + G_2 x(t - \tau(t))]dW(t), \\ y(t) &= Dx(t) + EKx(t_i), \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

for $t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}), i \in \mathcal{Z}_0^+$.

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It is clear that there exists a unique solution for systems (14) and (16). As a usual, we use $x(t; \xi)$ to denote the solution of system (14) and $y(t; \xi)$ to denote the solution of system (16) for the initial data $x_0 = \xi \in L^2_{\mathcal{F}_0}([-\tau, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n)$. Next, we define the following measurement error:

$$e(t) = x(t_i) - x(t). \quad (17)$$

Then, it follows from (16) and (17) that

$$\begin{aligned} dx(t) &= [(A(t) + C(t)K)x(t) + B(t)x(t - \tau(t)) \\ &\quad + C(t)Ke(t) + F_v v(t)]dt \\ &\quad + [G_1 x(t) + G_2 x(t - \tau(t))]dW(t), \\ y(t) &= (D + EK)x(t) + EKe(t). \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

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The event-generator function J under our research is given as

$$J(t) = \lambda_1 |e(t)|^2 - \lambda_2 |x(t_i)|^2, \quad t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}), \quad i \in \mathcal{Z}_0^+, \quad (19)$$

where $\lambda_1 > 0$ and $\lambda_2 > 0$ are two parameters.

Two stability definitions

Definition

System (18) is called robustly exponentially stable in mean-square (REsMS) if system (18) with $v(t) = 0$ is exponentially stable in mean-square for all admissible uncertainties $\Delta A(t)$, $\Delta B(t)$, and $\Delta C(t)$, i.e., there are two constants $\alpha > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{E}|x(t; \xi)|^2 \leq \alpha e^{-\beta t} \sup_{-\tau \leq \theta \leq 0} \mathbb{E}|\xi(\theta)|^2.$$

Definition

System (18) is called REsMS with an H_∞ disturbance attenuation level γ if it is REsMS and under the zero initial condition,

$$\mathbb{E}\|y(t; \xi)\|_2 \leq \gamma \|v(t)\|_2$$

for any nonzero $v(t) \in \mathcal{L}_2[0, \infty)$.

Theorem 4

Given $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $\lambda_1 > 0, \lambda_2 > 0$ with $\lambda_1 > 2\lambda_2$, system (18) is robustly exponentially stable in mean-square with an H_∞ disturbance attenuation level γ , if there are matrices $P > 0$, $Q > 0$ and $R > 0$ satisfying the matrix inequality as follows:

$$\Pi = \begin{pmatrix} \Lambda_{11} & PB & PF_v \\ \star & \Lambda_{22} & 0 \\ \star & \star & -\gamma^2 I \end{pmatrix} < 0, \quad (20)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_{11} = & PA + A^T P + PCK + K^T C^T P + 4PMM^T P \\ & + N_1^T N_1 + K^T N_3^T N_3 K + PCC^T P + 2G_1^T P G_1 \\ & + Q + 2(D + EK)^T (D + EK) + \tau R \\ & + [\lambda_{\max}(K^T N_3^T N_3 K) + 2\lambda_{\max}(K^T E^T EK) \\ & + \lambda_{\max}(K^T K)] \frac{2\lambda_2}{\lambda_1 - 2\lambda_2} I, \end{aligned}$$

$$\Lambda_{22} = -(1 - \rho)Q + N_2^T N_2 + 2G_2^T P G_2.$$

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Theorem 5

Given $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $\lambda_1 > 0, \lambda_2 > 0$ with $\lambda_1 > 2\lambda_2$, system (8) is robustly exponentially mean-square stable with an H_∞ disturbance attenuation level γ , if there are matrices $P > 0$, $Q > 0$ and $R > 0$ satisfying the LMI as follows:

$$\Pi = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\Lambda}_{11} & PB & PCK & PF_v & PM & PC \\ * & \tilde{\Lambda}_{22} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & \tilde{\Lambda}_{33} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & -\gamma^2 I & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & -\frac{I}{4} & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & * & -I \end{pmatrix} < 0, \quad (21)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Lambda}_{11} = & PA + A^T P + PCK + K^T C^T P + N_1^T N_1 + K^T N_3^T N_3 K \\ & + 2G_1^T P G_1 + Q + 2(D + EK)^T (D + EK) + \tau R + 2\lambda_2 I, \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\Lambda}_{22} = -(1 - \rho)Q + N_2^T N_2 + 2G_2 P G_2,$$

$$\tilde{\Lambda}_{33} = -(\lambda_1 - 2\lambda_2)I + K^T N_3^T N_3 K + 2K^T E^T E K.$$

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Proof of Theorems

I do not present the proof since it is complex and tedious. Instead, I only mention some techniques as follows:

- Construct the following Lyapunov-Krasovskii functional:

$$V(x_t) = x^T(t)Px(t) + \int_{t-\tau(t)}^t x^T(s)Qx(s)ds \\ + \int_{-\tau}^0 d\theta \int_{t+\theta}^t x^T(s)Rx(s)ds.$$

- **Step 1:** We will prove that system (18) with $v(t) = 0$ is REsMS for all admissible uncertainties $\Delta A(t)$, $\Delta B(t)$ and $\Delta C(t)$.
- **Step 2:** We will prove the following fact:

$$\mathbb{E}\|y(t; \xi)\|_2 \leq \gamma \|v(t)\|_2.$$

- Stochastic analysis, the Dynkin formula, Fubini's theorem and some inequalities techniques, etc.

Theorem 6

For given positive constants $\lambda_1 > 0, \lambda_2 > 0$ with $\lambda_1 > 2\lambda_2$ and positive constants $\varepsilon > 0, \rho > 0$. System (18) is robustly exponentially mean-square stable with an H_∞ disturbance attenuation level γ , if there exist positive definite matrices X, \bar{Q} , and matrix \bar{K} satisfying the LMI as follows:

$$\Xi = \begin{bmatrix} \Xi_{11} & \Xi_{12} & \Xi_{13} \\ * & \Xi_{22} & \Xi_{23} \\ * & * & \Xi_{33} \end{bmatrix} < 0, \quad (22)$$

where

$$\Xi_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{A}_{11} & B\bar{Q} & C\bar{K} & F_v & M & C \\ * & \tilde{A}_{22} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & \tilde{A}_{33} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & -\gamma^2 I & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & -\frac{I}{4} & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & * & -I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Xi_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} XN_1^T & \bar{K}^T N_3^T & X^T G_1 & X & (DX + E\bar{K})^T & \sqrt{\bar{\tau}}X \\ * & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & * & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Xi_{13} = \begin{bmatrix} X & 0 & 0 & X & 0 & 0 \\ * & \bar{Q}^T N_2^T & \bar{Q}G_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & 0 & \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{\lambda_1 - 2\lambda_2}} & \bar{K}^T N_3^T & \bar{K}^T E^T \\ * & * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & 0 & 0 \\ * & * & * & * & * & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\Xi_{22} = \text{diag} \left\{ -I, -I, -\frac{X}{2}, -\bar{Q}, -\frac{I}{2}, -\bar{R} \right\}, \quad \Xi_{22} = 0_{6 \times 6},$$

$$\Xi_{33} = \text{diag} \left\{ -\frac{l}{2\lambda_2}, -l, -\frac{l}{2}, -l, -l, -\frac{l}{2} \right\},$$

in which $\tilde{A}_{11} = AX + XA^T + C\bar{K} + \bar{K}^T C$, $\tilde{A}_{22} = -(1 - \rho)\bar{Q}$, $\tilde{A}_{33} = -2\varepsilon X$. Further, the control gain matrix K is designed by

$$K = \bar{K}X^{-1}. \quad (23)$$

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Proof of Theorem 6

- Define $P = X^{-1}$, $Q = \bar{Q}^{-1}$, and $K = \bar{K}X^{-1}$.
- Apply the Schur complement lemma and the following lemma:

Lemma

For any $n \times n$ matrices U , $X > 0$ and positive scalar $\theta > 0$, the following matrix inequality holds:

$$UX^{-1}U^T \geq \theta(U + U^T) - \theta^2 X.$$

Remark

- In Theorems 4-6, our stability criteria depend on the upper bound of delay τ and the upper bound of derivative of delay ρ . Thus, our results are less conservative and more effective than those delay-independent results.
- According to the definition of t_{i+1} and (19), one can know that the interval of arbitrary neighbouring triggered instants has a positive lower bound, i.e., $t_{i+1} - t_i > 0$ for all $i \in \mathcal{Z}_0^+$, which implies that there is no Zeno behavior.
- Compared with the results obtained in [1]-[4], our results are more general. In fact, the authors in [1]-[4] ignored the effects of delays, noise disturbance and unknown parameters. Furthermore, our results are more easily applied in practice than those given in [1]-[4] since they are given by LMIs (see Theorem 6).

Remark

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Example 1

Let us consider the following Itô stochastic nonlinear delay system with exogenous disturbances:

$$\begin{aligned} dx(t) = & [Ax(t) + Bx(t-1) + f(t, x(t)) \\ & + g(t, x(t-1)) + Cu(t) + v(t)]dt \\ & + \sigma(t, x(t), x(t-1))dW(t), \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 & -1 \\ 1.2 & 1.2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1.3 & -1 \\ 0.9 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1.2 \\ 0.8 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$f(t, x(t)) = 0.1(1 + \sin(t))x(t),$$

$$g(t, x(t-1)) = 0.1(1 + \cos(t))x(t-1),$$

$$\sigma(t, x(t), x(t-1)) = \begin{pmatrix} 0.3x_1(t) & 0.3x_2(t-1) \\ 0.2x_2(t) & 0.3x_1(t-1) \end{pmatrix},$$

Example 1

The exogenous disturbance input $v(t) = (v_1(t), v_2(t))^T$ is unknown but bounded. From figures (a) and (b), we know that system (24) with $u(t) = 0$ is unstable even if the exogenous disturbance input is missing.

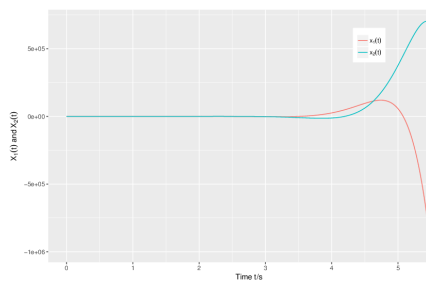


Figure: The sample paths of system (24) with $u(t) = 0$ and $v(t) = 0$

Example 1

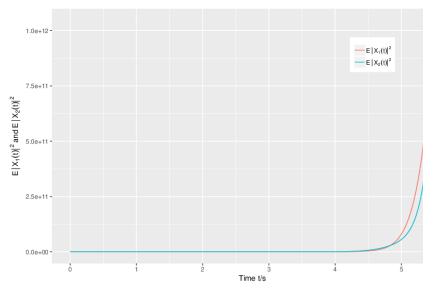


Figure: 2th moment of the solution to system (24) with $u(t) = 0$ and $v(t) = 0$

Example 1

To stabilize system (24), we choose $\eta_1 = 0.1$ and $\eta_2 = 0.1$. By using the Matlab LMI toolbox, we can obtain the following feasible solution for the LMI (10):

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 28.2232 & 12.7276 \\ 12.7276 & 5.7997 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 140.9209 & 74.3561 \\ 74.3561 & 41.6116 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$G_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 112.3792 & 65.5420 \\ 65.5420 & 41.7449 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 114.1626 & 67.8160 \\ 67.8160 & 44.2443 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$G_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 180.2896 & 23.1727 \\ 23.1727 & 141.1538 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 332.8759 & 216.0742 \\ 216.0742 & 152.8354 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} -191.7285 & -127.8857 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus, from Theorem 2 we can design the feedback gain matrix K as

$$K = YP^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 304.4865 & -690.2565 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Example 1

Choose the unknown exogenous disturbance $v(t)$ satisfying $v_1(t) = v_0[0.5 + \cos(t)]$ and $v_2(t) = v_0[-0.5 + \sin(t)]$, where v_0 is a sequence of random generator numbers obeying $N(-0.4, 0.4)$ and the initial values is a sequence of random numbers of $U(-1, 1)$. Furthermore, figure (c) shows that the control system is input-to-state practically exponentially mean-square stable.

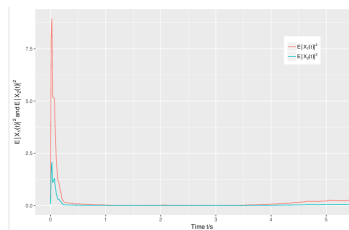


Figure: 2th moment of the solution to system (24) with control and the exogenous disturbance

Example 2

Let us consider the following stochastic networked control delay system:

$$\begin{aligned} dx(t) &= [A(t)x(t) + B(t)x(t - \tau(t)) + C(t)u(t) + F_v v(t)]dt \\ &\quad + [G_1 x(t) + G_2 x(t - \tau(t))]dW(t), \\ y(t) &= Dx(t) + Eu(t). \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

The parameters of system (25) are given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \begin{bmatrix} -1.2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1.3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -0.3 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.5 \end{bmatrix}, \\ C &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.2 & -0.1 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}, \\ G_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} -0.1 & 0.5 \\ -0.2 & -0.3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

Example 2

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 0.02 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.2 \end{bmatrix}, F_v = \begin{bmatrix} -0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.1 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$[\Delta A(t), \Delta B(t), \Delta C(t)] = MF(t)[N_1, N_2, N_3],$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & -0.1 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}, N_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$N_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.3 \\ -0.1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}, N_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & -0.4 \\ 0.1 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$F(t) = \sin(3\pi t), \tau(t) = 1 + 0.2 \cos(2\pi t),$$

Choose $\lambda_1 = 0.77$, $\lambda_2 = 0.05$, $\gamma = 0.56$. By virtue of MATLAB, the corresponding solutions for (22) can be obtained as follows

Example 2

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9949 & 0.1148 \\ 0.1148 & 1.5947 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\bar{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.3288 & 0.5341 \\ 0.5341 & 1.6456 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\bar{K} = \begin{bmatrix} -1.3878 & -0.0584 \\ -0.0584 & 0.8411 \end{bmatrix},$$

Then, from Theorem 44, we obtain the following control matrix:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} -1.4023 & 0.0643 \\ -0.1205 & 0.5361 \end{bmatrix},$$

Therefore, system (25) is robustly exponentially stabilizable in mean-square with an H_∞ disturbance attenuation level $\gamma = 0.56$ by using the above matrix K , the event-triggered parameters $\lambda_1 = 0.77$ and $\lambda_2 = 0.05$.

Example 2

The state response of system (25) without/with the control can be found in Figures 1-3.

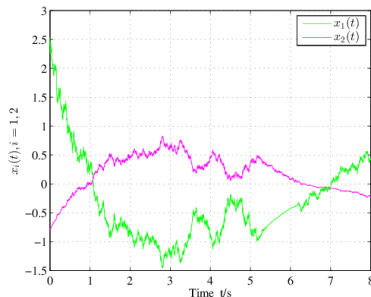


Figure: The state response of system (25) without control under 2-D case.

Example 2

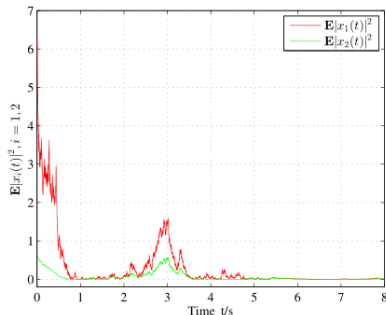


Figure: The state response of system (25) with control under 2-D case.

Example 2

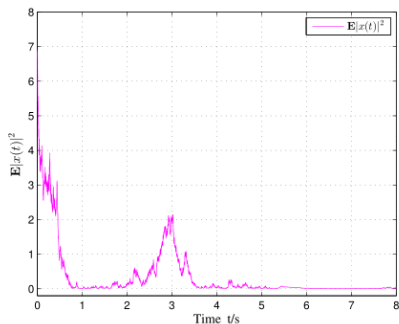


Figure: The time evolution for $\mathbb{E}|x(t)|^2$.

Example 3

The parameters of system (25) with 3-D case are given as follows:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1.4 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & -1.2 & -0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 & -1.2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.2 & 0.3 \\ -0.3 & -0.2 & 0.3 \\ -0.3 & 0.2 & -0.6 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.1 & 0.2 \\ -0.2 & 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.1 & -0.2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$G_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.2 & -0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.3 \\ -0.2 & 0.4 & -0.3 \end{bmatrix},$$

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$$G_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1 & -0.1 & 0.5 \\ -0.2 & -0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 0.5 & -0.5 \end{bmatrix}, D^T = \begin{bmatrix} -0.2 \\ 0.3 \\ -0.2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$E^T = \begin{bmatrix} -0.3 \\ 0.1 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix}, F_V = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 \\ -0.3 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ 0.3 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix}, N_1 = [0.3 \ 0.2 \ 0.1],$$

$$N_2 = [0.1 \ 0.5 \ 0.7], N_3 = [0.6 \ 0.2 \ 0.1],$$

$$F(t) = \sin(\pi t), \tau(t) = 0.8 + 0.15 \cos(\pi t).$$

Choose $\lambda_1 = 2.45, \lambda_2 = 0.01, \gamma = 2.35$.

Example 3

By virtue of MATLAB, the corresponding solutions for (22) can be obtained as follows

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1.3652 & -0.4469 & -0.0991 \\ -0.4469 & 1.5488 & 0.2809 \\ -0.0991 & 0.2809 & 0.6286 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\bar{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.1501 & -0.2983 & 0.0299 \\ -0.2983 & 1.3472 & 0.2769 \\ 0.0299 & 0.2769 & 0.4277 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\bar{K} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.2796 & 0.1296 & 0.0754 \\ 0.1296 & -0.6256 & -1.3884 \\ 0.0754 & -1.3884 & 0.8779 \end{bmatrix},$$

Example 3

Then, from Theorem 44, we obtain the following control matrix:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1947 & 0.0123 & 0.0838 \\ -0.0734 & -0.0244 & -2.2094 \\ -0.2347 & -1.3174 & 1.9483 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore, system (25) is robustly exponentially stabilizable in mean-square with an H_∞ disturbance attenuation level $\gamma = 2.35$ by using the above matrix K , the event-triggered parameters $\lambda_1 = 2.45$ and $\lambda_2 = 0.01$. The state response of system (25) without/with the control can be found in Figures 4 and 5, respectively.

Example 3

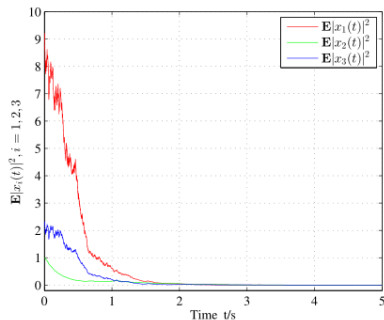


Figure: The state response of system (25) with control under 3-D case.

Example 3

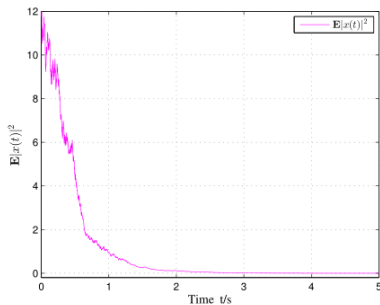


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