

Averaged controllability in a long time horizon

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We introduce the notation

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & A_d \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{B} = \begin{pmatrix} B_1 \\ \vdots \\ B_d \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_d(t) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$L = (\mathbf{I}_n \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{I}_n).$$

The system (1) writes,

$$\dot{\tilde{x}} = \tilde{A}\tilde{x} + \tilde{B}u, \quad \tilde{x}(0) = \tilde{x}^0.$$

The average controllability problem is

$$L\tilde{x}(T) = 0.$$

By the new notation and the Hamilton-Cayley theorem the average control rank condition reduces to

$$\text{rank} \left[L\tilde{A}^k \tilde{B}, \quad k \in \{0, \dots, nd - 1\} \right] = n.$$

Long time averaged control

Exact/simultaneous control:

$$\tilde{x}(T) = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{x}(t) = 0, \quad t > T, \quad \text{with } u = 0.$$

Averaged control:

$$L\tilde{x}(T) = 0 \not\Rightarrow L\tilde{x}(t) = 0, \quad t > T, \quad \text{with } u = 0.$$

(Two systems with different dynamics starting from a same point will produce different trajectories.)

The problem

Can we find a control u such that $L\tilde{x}(t) = 0, \quad t \geq T$? The problem can be stated for a general linear operator L .

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Generalisation of averaged control

L - a general linear operator.

In order to achieve long time control we first have to steer the system in time T not just to $\text{Ker } L$, but to its subspace from which it is possible to stay within it (**controlled invariant subspace**).

TASKS:

1. Identify the supremal controlled invariant subspace $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \text{Ker } L$.
2. Check the conditions under which it is possible to steer the system to \mathcal{S} .
3. Construct the optimal long time control.

TASK 1. Construction of the supremal controlled invariant subspace

Consider

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x(0) = x^0 \quad (2)$$

and suppose

$$Lx(t) = 0, \quad t \geq 0.$$

Then

$$LAx(t) = -LBu(t), \quad t \geq 0,$$

and

$$PLAx(t) = 0, \quad t \geq 0,$$

P - the orthogonal projector on $\text{Ker}(LB)^\top$.

Thus

$$Lx(t) = 0 \quad \iff \quad \begin{pmatrix} L \\ PLA \end{pmatrix} x(t) = 0$$

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Algorithm 1

STEP 0: Set $L_0 = L$.

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Define $L_1 := \begin{pmatrix} L_0 \\ \Lambda_0 \end{pmatrix}$.

STEP k+1: Set $\Lambda_k = P_k L_k A$, where P_k is the orthogonal projector on $\text{Ker}(L_k B)^\top$.

Define $L_{k+1} := \begin{pmatrix} L_k \\ \Lambda_k \end{pmatrix}$.

The algorithm stops when $\text{Ker } L_{K+1} = \text{Ker } L_K$.

Theorem 2.

$\text{Ker } L_K$ is the supremal invariant subspace of $\text{Ker } L$.

TASK 2

Under which conditions we can reach $\text{Ker } L_K$?

When it is possible to steer the system to $\text{Ker } \Lambda$, Λ – arbitrary?

Theorem 3. (cf. Kreindler, Sarachik 64)²

For every $x^0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$ and $\bar{x}^1 \in \text{Ran } \Lambda$ there exists a control $u \in L^2(0, T)^m$ steering the solution x of

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x(0) = x^0$$

to some $x(T) \in \mathbf{R}^n$ such that $\Lambda x(T) = \bar{x}^1$, if and only if A , B and Λ satisfy:

$$\text{rank } \Lambda (A^0 B \dots A^{n-1} B) = \text{rank } \Lambda.$$



Theorem 4.

For every $x^0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$ there exists a control $u \in L^\infty(\mathbf{R}_+)^m$ such that the solution to the system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x(0) = x^0$$

satisfies $Lx(t) = 0, t \geq T$ if and only if

$$\text{rank } L_K (A^0 B \quad \dots \quad A^{n-1} B) = \text{rank } L_K,$$

where L_K is the operator constructed by the Algorithm 1.

TASK 3. Norm optimal controls

THE AIM

- given two positive times T_0 and T_1 ,
- given initial condition $x^0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$,
- given an operator $L \in M_{q,n}(\mathbf{R})$
- find the control of **minimal L^2 norm** such that the solution x of (2) satisfies

$$Lx(t) = 0, \quad t \in [T_0, T_0 + T_1].$$

$J_0(x^1)$ — the minimal control norm steering x^0 to x^1 in time T_0

$J_1(x^1)$ — the minimal control norm keeping the solution within $\text{Ker } L$ for $t \in [T_0, T_0 + T_1]$.

We have to minimise $J_0 + J_1$ over $x^1 \in \text{Ker } L_K \cap R_{T_0}(x^0)$.

$R_{T_0}(x^0)$ – the set of reachable points from x^0 in time $T_0 > 0$.

$J_0(x^1)$ – minimal norm steering the system to x^1

The minimal norm control steering the system to x^1 is

$$u(t) = B^\top e^{(T_0-t)A^\top} Q_{T_0} \left(x^1 - e^{T_0 A} x^0 \right),$$

where Q_{T_0} is the *inverse* of the Gramian Γ_{T_0} :

$$Q_{T_0} \Gamma_{T_0} p^1 = p^1, \quad p^1 \in \text{Ran } \Gamma_{T_0}.$$

(We do not assume controllability of (A, B)).

Minimal norm is

$$J_0(x^1; T_0) := \|u\|_{L^2(0, T_0)}^2 = \left(x^1 - e^{T_0 A} x^0 \right)^\top Q_{T_0} \left(x^1 - e^{T_0 A} x^0 \right).$$

$J_1(x^1)$ – minimal norm keeping the solution within $\text{Ker } L$

The optimal control is a feedback control of the form

$$u(t) = \left(K(BK)^\top E(t) - (LB)^\top MLA \right) x(t).$$

where:

E is the solution of the corresponding Riccati equation

M is the *inverse* of $(LB)(LB)^\top$:

$$M(LB)(LB)^\top w = w, \quad w \in \text{Ran } LB.$$

K is an isometry operator such that $\text{Ran } K = \text{Ker } LB$.

Furthermore

$$J_1(x^0; T) := -\frac{1}{2}(x^0)^\top E(0)x^0$$

and $E(0)$ is a non-positive matrix.

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We take

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} I_n & I_n \end{pmatrix}$$

and the system

$$\dot{\tilde{x}} = \tilde{A}\tilde{x} + \tilde{B}u, \quad \tilde{x}(0) = \tilde{x}^0 \quad (3)$$

for

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{B} = \begin{pmatrix} B \\ B \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix},$$

The **long time averaged control problem** is

$$L\tilde{x}(t) = 0, \quad t > T.$$

The operator constricted by Algorithm 1 is

$$L_n = \begin{pmatrix} I_n & I_n \\ P_B D & -P_B D \\ P_B D S & -P_B D S \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ P_B D S^{n-1} & -P_B D S^{n-1} \end{pmatrix},$$

with

- ▶ $D = \frac{1}{2}(A_1 - A_2)$, $S = \frac{1}{2}(A_1 + A_2)$
- ▶ P_B the projector on $\text{Ker}(LB)^\top = \text{Ker } B^\top$.

Comparison of different control notions

Denote

$$K = \left(\tilde{B}, \tilde{A}\tilde{B}, \dots, \tilde{A}^{2n-1}\tilde{B} \right).$$

The system (3) is **simultaneously controllable** if and only if

$$r(K) = 2n.$$

The system (3) has the **long time averaged property** if and only if

$$r(L_n K) = r(L_n),$$

with L_n constructed by the Algorithm 1.

The system (3) is **averaged controllable** if and only if

$$r(LK) = n.$$

Simultaneous \implies Long time averaged \implies Averaged

Example 1

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \& \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

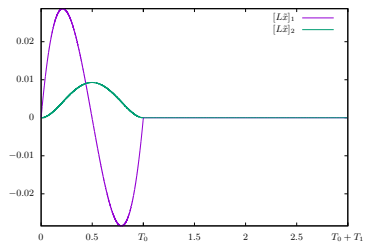
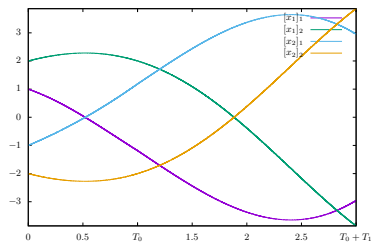
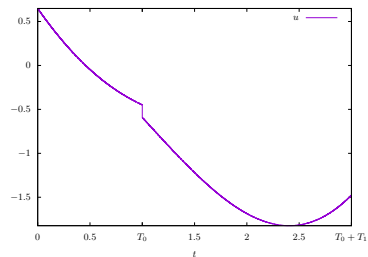
We have

$$K = \left(\tilde{B}, \tilde{A}\tilde{B}, \tilde{A}^2\tilde{B}, \tilde{A}^3\tilde{B} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$\text{rank } K = 4 \implies$ The system is simultaneous controllable.

Take $\tilde{x}^0 = (1, 2, -1, -2)^\top$.

Example 1 - cont.



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Thanks for your attention!