

# Remarks on Lyapunov operator in infinite dimensional setting

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# Lyapunov Equation

Lyapunov Equation

$$AP + PA^* = -Q,$$

where  $A, Q$  **are given** operators and  $P$  **is an unknown**.

Applications to

- ▶ stability of systems
- ▶ control theory

LHS is the Lyapunov operator

$$L_A(P) = AP + PA^*.$$

We are interested in properties of  $L_A(P)$ :

- ▶ boundedness,
- ▶ coercivity, ...?

## Finite dimensional case

If

- ▶  $X$  - finite dimensional Hilbert space
- ▶  $A$  - a continuous linear operator on  $X$

the results follow directly.

$$(\forall P \in \mathcal{L}(X)) \quad |L_A(P)| = |AP + PA^*| \leq |A||P| \quad (\textit{boundedness})$$

In addition, if  $A$  is stable

$$P = - \int_0^\infty e^{tA} L_A(P) e^{tA^*} dt$$

implying

$$|P| \leq |L_A(P)| \int_0^\infty e^{-\omega t}, \quad \omega > 0. \quad (\textit{coercivity})$$

## Infinite dimensional setting

- ▶  $X$  - Hilbert space
- ▶  $A$  - unbounded operator on  $X$  with dense domain.

For simplicity of presentation

- ▶  $A$  self adjoint with compact resolvent (e.g.  $-\Delta$ ).

$(\psi_k, \lambda_k)$  –sequence of eigenpairs.

What can we say about  $L_A$  in this case?

Is it

- ▶ well defined on  $\mathcal{L}(X)$ ,
- ▶ bounded,
- ▶ coercive?

## Eigenproperties

Spectrum

$$\sigma(L_A) = \{(\lambda_i + \lambda_j), i, j \in \mathbf{N}\}$$

Corresponding eigenoperators  $E_{ij}$  are defined by

$$E_{ij}\psi_k = \psi_i\delta_{jk}.$$

Obviously,  $L_A$  is not bounded on  $\mathcal{L}(X)$ .

Indeed,

$$L_A(E_{ij}) = \underbrace{(\lambda_i + \lambda_j)}_{\rightarrow_i \infty} E_{ij}$$

Even more, for an  $P \in \mathcal{L}(X)$  arbitrary,  $L_A(P)$  is not in  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  at all.

$$\begin{aligned} L_A(P) &= AP + PA - \text{not defined on } X \\ &\quad - \text{but on } D(A)! \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

## Functional setting

Define spaces

- ▶  $X_1$  - as  $D(A)$  equipped with the norm:

$$\|x\|_1 = \|(\beta I - A)x\|, \quad \beta \in \rho(A).$$

- ▶  $X_{-1}$  - completion of  $X$  with respect to the norm

$$\|x\|_{-1} = \|(\beta I - A)^{-1}x\|,$$

- independent of  $\beta \in \rho(A)$ .

It holds

$$X_1 \hookrightarrow X \hookrightarrow X_{-1}$$

and  $X_{-1}$  is dual to  $X_1$ . <sup>(1)</sup>

Moreover:

- $A \in \mathcal{L}(X_1, X)$
- $A$  has a unique extension  $A \in \mathcal{L}(X, X_{-1})$

It is easy to see that for every  $P \in \mathcal{L}(X)$

$$L_A(P) = AP + PA \in \mathcal{L}(X_1; X_{-1})$$



<sup>(1)</sup>M. TUCSNAK AND G. WEISS, Observation and Control for Operator Semigroups, Birkhauser-Verlag AG, Berlin, 2009.

**Theorem 1.**

For every  $P \in \text{Sym}(X)$

$$\|L_A(P)\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1; X_{-1})} \leq \frac{2}{|\lambda_1|} \|P\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)},$$

where  $\lambda_1$  is the smallest (or largest) eigenvalue of  $A$ .

Dem.  $\{E_{ij} + E_{ji}, i, j \in \mathbf{N}\}$  - basis of  $\text{Sym}(X)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|E_{ij} + E_{ji}\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X_{-1})} &= \sup_k \|(\beta I - A)^{-1}(E_{ij} + E_{ji})\tilde{\psi}_k\| \\ &= \frac{1 + \delta_{ij}}{|\beta - \lambda_i||\beta - \lambda_j|}. \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{\psi}_k = \psi_k / (\beta - \lambda_k)$  denotes the orthonormal basis in  $X_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|L_A(E_{ij} + E_{ji})\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X_{-1})} &= \|(\lambda_i + \lambda_j)(E_{ij} + E_{ji})\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X_{-1})} \\ &= \left| \frac{(\lambda_i + \lambda_j)(1 + \delta_{ij})}{(\beta - \lambda_i)(\beta - \lambda_j)} \right| \leq \frac{2}{\lambda_1} \underbrace{(1 + \delta_{ij})}_{=\|E_{ij} + E_{ji}\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)}} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

**Q.ED.**

## Coercivity fails

The above functional setting does not imply coercivity.

Example:

$$\|\lambda_i E_{ii}\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\|L_A(\lambda_i E_{ii})\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1; X_{-1})} = \frac{2\lambda_i^2}{|\beta - \lambda_i|^2} \leq 2$$

We need to relax the norm on  $P$ !



## Theorem 2.

Suppose that either  $A$  or  $-A$  is a positive operator. Then for every  $P \in \text{Sym}(X)$  it holds

$$\frac{1}{2} \|P\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X)} \leq \|L_A(P)\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X_{-1})} \leq 2 \|P\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X)}.$$

Dem.

$$\|E_{ii}\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X)} \approx \frac{1}{\lambda_i} \quad (\text{before it was } 1)$$

and

$$\|L_A(E_{ii})\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X_{-1})} \approx \frac{1}{\lambda_i}$$

**Q.E.D.**

## Control theory

Infinite control Gramian

$$\Lambda_\infty = \int_0^\infty e^{tA} B B^* e^{tA} dt$$

is the solution to Lyapunov equation

$$AP + PA = -BB^*,$$

where  $B : U \rightarrow X_{-1}$  is a control operator.

We have

$$-BB^* = L_A(\Lambda_\infty)$$

The last theorem implies

$$\|BB^*\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X_{-1})} \sim 2\|\Lambda_\infty\|_{\mathcal{L}(X_1, X)}.$$

## Example:

$A$  - the heat operator on  $\Omega$

$B = \chi_\omega, \quad \omega \subseteq \Omega$

The eigenvalues of  $\Lambda_\infty$  decay exponentially as  $\exp(-c\sqrt{\lambda_k})$  (bounds both from below<sup>(2)</sup> and above<sup>(1)</sup>).



<sup>(1)</sup>L. GRUBIŠIĆ AND D. KRESSNER, On the eigenvalue decay of solutions to operator Lyapunov equations, *Systems & Control Letters*, 73 (2014) 4247.



<sup>(2)</sup>E. ZUAZUA, Eigenvalue bounds for the Grammian operator of the heat equation, preprint 2016.

- ▶ Can the spectrum of  $\Lambda_\infty$  corresponding to different operators  $A$  be related to the properties of Lyapunov operator?
- ▶ Can the presented results be generalised by reducing the assumptions on  $A$ ? To which extent?

Thanks for your attention!