Hybrid Constrained Estimation For Linear Time-Varying Systems

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Motivation

Why do we need constrained estimation?

Interconnection observer-controller where the controller is not well defined in certain regions

- Meaningful state estimates
 - Mass is positive
 - In chemical processes concentrations and pressures are nonnegative
 - Quaternion representation (unit norm)
- Constraints provide additional information which can be used in the estimator to speed up the convergence

System Model Linear Time-Varying System

Consider the LTV system

$$\dot{x} = A(t)x + B(t)u(t)$$

 $y = C(t)x$

- ► A(t), B(t), C(t) are C¹ functions, uniformly bounded with bounded derivatives.
- The input $u(\cdot)$ is locally integrable.
- The pair $(A(\cdot), C(\cdot))$ is uniformly observable.

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Linear Equality Constraints

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► All or some rows of the output equation C(t)x = y can be used in the constraint D(t, y)x = d(t, y).

Kalman-Bucy Estimator

Consider the Luenberger-type observer

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = A(t)\hat{x} + B(t)u(t) + K(t)(y - C(t)\hat{x})$$

with $K(t) = P(t)C(t)^{\top}Q(t)$ and

$$\dot{P} = AP + PA^{\top} - PC^{\top}QCP + V$$

- We can show UGES
- However, there is no guarantee that x̂ remains in a given region of interest.

Constrained Estimation Objective

Objective

Design a hybrid observer for \hat{x} such that

 $(t, y, \hat{x}) \in \hat{\Omega}$ for all times,

where $\hat{\Omega} \supset \mathcal{D}$ is a given region of interest.



Projection on Linear Surfaces

• Weighed projection on the surface $D\hat{x} = d$

$$\min_{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n} (\xi - \hat{x})^\top P^{-1} (\xi - \hat{x}) \quad \text{s.t. } D\xi = d$$

Solution is given explicitly by

$$\xi^* = \hat{x} - PD^\top (DPD^\top)^{-1} (D\hat{x} - d).$$

• Example with P = I (orthogonal projection)



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Main Result

Theorem

The set $\mathcal{A} = \{(t, x, \hat{x}) : x = \hat{x}\}$ is uniformly globally asymptotically stable and globally exponentially stable in the t-direction. Moreover, $(t, y(t), \hat{x}_{\downarrow}(t)) \in \hat{\Omega}$ for all times.

Proof.

- Lyapunov function $\mathbf{V}(t, x, \hat{x}) = (x \hat{x})^{\top} P(t)^{-1} (x \hat{x})$
- During the flows, $\dot{\mathbf{V}} \leq -\lambda \mathbf{V}$
- ▶ During the jumps, $\mathbf{V}^+ \mathbf{V} \leq -\epsilon$, as long as $\operatorname{dist}(\hat{\mathcal{J}}, \hat{\mathcal{D}}) > 0$
- Number of jumps is finite and every solution is complete
- ▶ Pre-asymptotic stability and completeness → uniform global asymptotic stability.
- $|X(t,j)|_{\mathcal{A}} \leq k \exp(-\lambda t) |X(0,0)|_{\mathcal{A}}.$
- $|X(t,j)|_{\mathcal{A}} \leq \kappa(|X(0,0)|_{\mathcal{A}})\exp(-\lambda(t+j))|X(0,0)|_{\mathcal{A}}.$

Simulation Scenario

Simulation (A vehicle moving on a road with angle θ)

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^4$ such that (x_1, x_2) is the (measured) position and (x_3, x_4) is the velocity. Second order dynamics:

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & l_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ l_2 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$
$$y = \begin{bmatrix} l_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x$$

with

$$u(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) \end{bmatrix} v(t)$$

which leads to the constraint

$$egin{bmatrix} \mathsf{sin}(heta) & -\mathsf{cos}(heta) & \mathsf{0} & \mathsf{0} \end{bmatrix}^ op \mathsf{x}(t) = \mathsf{0}. \end{split}$$

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Objective set

$$\hat{\Omega} = \{ \hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4 : |\sin(\theta)\hat{x}_1 - \cos(\theta)\hat{x}_2| \le \mu \}.$$

Flow set

$$\hat{\mathcal{F}} = \{ \hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4 : |\sin(\theta)\hat{x}_1 - \cos(\theta)\hat{x}_2| \le \epsilon \}.$$

Jump set

$$\hat{\mathcal{J}} = \{\hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4 : |\sin(\theta)\hat{x}_1 - \cos(\theta)\hat{x}_2| \ge \epsilon\}.$$

with $0 < \epsilon < \mu$.

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