

Synthesis of observers for infinite-dimensional vibrating systems with application to a rotating body-beam system

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Finite dimensional Luenberger-like observer

Harmonic oscillator : $A^t = -A$ on the state space \mathbb{R}^n

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax, & x(0) = x_0 \\ y = Cx \end{cases}$$

where (C, A) is observable.

Luenberger-like observer

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = A\hat{x} - \kappa C^T(C\hat{x} - y), \quad \hat{x}(0) = \hat{x}_0, \quad \kappa > 0.$$

Error system of the observer

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = (A - \kappa C^T C)\varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon(0) = \varepsilon_0 \quad (1)$$

where $\varepsilon = \hat{x} - x$.

If (C, A) is observable, then the observer is convergent : $\hat{x}(t) \rightarrow x(t)$ as $t \rightarrow \infty \forall \kappa > 0$.

Linear system on an infinite-dimensional Hilbert space X

$$\begin{cases} \dot{w}(t) = Aw(t) + Bu(t), \\ w(0) = w_0, y(t) = Cw(t) \end{cases}$$

where $w(t) \in X$, $u(t) \in U$, $y(t) \in Y$, and A is the generator of a C_0 unitary group $\mathbb{T}_t := e^{At}$ on X .

To consider the boundary control and the boundary observation, we need two more auxiliary spaces X_1 and X_{-1} . Take a $\beta \in \rho(A) \cap \mathbb{R}$. Then $X_1 = \mathcal{D}(A)$, $\|z\|_1 = \|(\beta I - A)z\|$, and X_{-1} is the completed space of X with respect to the norm $\|z\|_{-1} = \|(\beta I - A)^{-1}z\|$. Hence $X_1 \subset X \subset X_{-1}$. Assume that $B \in \mathcal{L}(U, X_{-1})$ and $C \in \mathcal{L}(X_1, Y)$.

Infinite-dimensional Luenberger-like observer (*formally*)

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\hat{w}}(t) = A\hat{w}(t) - \kappa C^* (C\hat{w}(t) - y(t)) + Bu(t), & \kappa > 0, \\ \hat{w}(0) = \hat{w}_0, \end{cases}$$

Error system of the observer :

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = (A - \kappa C^T C)\varepsilon := A^\kappa \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon(0) = \varepsilon_0$$

Exact observability and regularity

Couple (A, B) is *admissible* if, for some $\tau > 0$,

$$\int_0^\tau \mathbb{T}_{\tau-t} B u(t) dt \in X \quad \forall u \in L^2_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^+; U).$$

Couple (C, A) is *admissible* if, for some $\tau > 0$, $\exists K_\tau > 0$ s.t.

$$\int_0^\tau \|C \mathbb{T}_t w_0\|_Y^2 dt \leq K_\tau \|w_0\|_X^2, \quad \forall w_0 \in \mathcal{D}(A).$$

Couple (C, A) is *exactly observable* over τ if it is admissible and there exists some positive constants $\tau > 0$ and $k_\tau > 0$ such that

$$k_\tau \|w_0\|_X^2 \leq \int_0^\tau \|C \mathbb{T}_t w_0\|_Y^2 dt, \quad \forall w_0 \in \mathcal{D}(A).$$

The *state* of the system is uniquely determined from the observation of the *input* and *output* on a sufficiently long time interval $[0, \tau]$.

The linear system is *regular* if

i) (A, B) and (C, A) are admissible ;

ii) the system is *well-posed* such that there exists some $D \in \mathcal{L}(U, Y)$ satisfying the following

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbb{G}(s)u = Du \quad \forall u \in U$$

where $\mathbb{G}(s)$ is the transfer function analytic and bounded in the right-half complex plane $\mathbb{C}_\alpha = \{s \in \mathbb{C} \mid \Re(s) > \alpha\}$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, and C_Λ is the Λ -extension of C defined by

$$C_\Lambda w = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow +\infty} C\lambda(\lambda I - A)^{-1}w, \quad \forall w \in \mathcal{D}(C_\Lambda)$$

with $\mathcal{D}(C_\Lambda)$ consisting of all $w \in X$ for which the limit exists.

Exponential convergence of the observer

If the system is regular, then $C_\Lambda(sI - A)^{-1}B$ makes sense $\forall s \in \rho(A)$, and

$$\mathbb{G}(s)u = C_\Lambda(sI - A)^{-1}Bu + Du.$$

Assume that $D = 0$.

Theorem

Let A be the generator of a C_0 unitary group on X . Let both (A, C^*, C) and (A, B, C) be *regular* such that (C, A) is *exactly observable*. Then there exist positive constants K_{\min} and K_{\max} with $0 \leq K_{\min} \leq K_{\max}$ such that

- the observer **converges exponentially** if $0 < \kappa < 1/K_{\max}$
- the observer **diverges exponentially** for $\kappa > 1/K_{\min}$ being admissible, where

$$K_{\max} = \sup_{\substack{f \in \text{Ran}(C_\Lambda) \\ |f|=1}} \lim_{\substack{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ \beta \rightarrow +\infty}} \beta \|(\beta - A)^{-1} C^* f\|_X^2,$$

$$K_{\min} = \inf_{\substack{f \in \text{Ran}(C_\Lambda) \\ |f|=1}} \lim_{\substack{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ \beta \rightarrow +\infty}} \beta \|(\beta - A)^{-1} C^* f\|_X^2.$$

Exponential divergence of the observer

example

Transport equation

$$\begin{cases} w_t(x, t) = w_x(x, t), \\ w(0, t) = w(1, t), \\ y(t) = w(0, t) \end{cases}$$

state space $X = L^2(0, 1)$, observation space $Y = \mathbb{R}$.

Luenberger observer

$$\begin{cases} \hat{w}_t(x, t) = \hat{w}_x(x, t), \\ \hat{w}(0, t) = \hat{w}(1, t) + \kappa (\hat{w}(0, t) - y(t)). \end{cases}$$

- $K_{\max} = K_{\min} = 1/2$: the observer is exponentially **convergent** for $0 < \kappa < 2$, and exponentially **divergent** for $\kappa > 2$.
- If the state space has *finite* dimension, it is always true that $K_{\max} = K_{\min} = 0$.

Exponential convergence of the observer

Lemma

$$\langle A^\kappa \varepsilon, \varepsilon \rangle_X \leq -\kappa(1 - \kappa K_{\max}) |C_\Lambda \varepsilon|_Y^2, \quad \forall \varepsilon \in \mathcal{D}(A^\kappa), \quad \forall 0 < \kappa < 1/K_{\max}$$

$$\langle A^\kappa \varepsilon, \varepsilon \rangle_X \geq \kappa(\kappa K_{\min} - 1) |C_\Lambda \varepsilon|_Y^2, \quad \forall \varepsilon \in \mathcal{D}(A^\kappa), \quad \forall \kappa > 1/K_{\min}.$$

Proof : For each $\varepsilon \in \mathcal{D}(A^\kappa)$,

$$\langle A^\kappa \varepsilon, \varepsilon \rangle_X = -\kappa |C_\Lambda \varepsilon|_Y^2 + \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \kappa^2 \beta |R(\beta, A) C^* C_\Lambda \varepsilon|_X^2.$$

Proof of the main Theorem : $0 < \kappa < 1/K_{\max}$,

$$\frac{d|\varepsilon|_X^2}{dt} = 2 \langle A^\kappa \varepsilon, \varepsilon \rangle_X,$$

$$|\varepsilon(T)|_X^2 \leq |\varepsilon_0|_X^2 - 2\kappa(1 - \kappa K_{\max}) \int_0^T |C_\Lambda \varepsilon(\tau)|_Y^2 d\tau$$

exact observability $\int_0^T |C_\Lambda \varepsilon(t)|_Y^2 dt \geq K |\varepsilon_0|_X^2 \Rightarrow |\varepsilon(t)|_X^2 \leq M e^{-rt} |\varepsilon_0|_X^2.$

Exponential convergence of the observer

$$\kappa > 1/K_{\min},$$

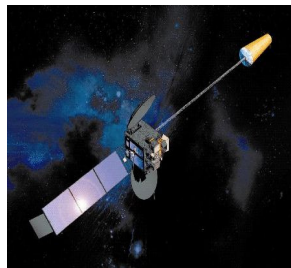
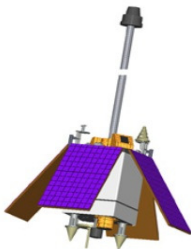
$$|\varepsilon(T)|_X^2 \geq |\varepsilon_0|_X^2 + 2\kappa(\kappa K_{\min} - 1) \int_0^T |C_\Lambda \varepsilon(\tau)|_Y^2 d\tau,$$

$$\text{exact observability} \Rightarrow |\varepsilon(t)|_X^2 \geq \bar{M} e^{-\bar{r}t} |\varepsilon_0|_X^2.$$

Motivation

Physical models

satellites with flexible appendices

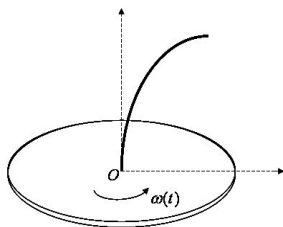


- THEMIS (1250 kg) - NASA, '07 (Geoscience)
- MirsSat 1 (100 kg) - Egypt, '07 (Scientific observation)
- MTSAT 2 (126 kg) - Japan, '06 (Meteorology)

Rotating body-beam system

simplified model

- rotating disc
- flexible Euler-Bernoulli beam



stabilization + observability :

interesting info for control of mechanical systems

(*example* : satellites with solar panels, robot with flexible joint...)

Rotating body-beam system

System governed by PDE and ODE

- Lagrangian formulation

$$\begin{cases} \rho w_{tt}(x, t) + E I w_{xxxx}(x, t) + \rho B w_t(x, t) = \rho \omega^2(t) w(x, t), \\ \Gamma(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\omega(t) \left(I_d + \int_0^L w^2(x, t) dx \right) \right) \quad (\text{Newton's law}) \end{cases}$$

- BC : $w(0, t) = w_x(0, t) = w_{xx}(L, t) = w_{xxx}(L, t) = 0$

$w(x, t)$ = deformation of the beam

$\Gamma(t)$ = torque control

B = friction operator

L = length of the beam [m]

ρ = mass density of the beam [kg/m]

E = elastic module [N/m²], I = moment of inertia [m⁴]

I_d = moment of inertia of the disc [kg · m²]

$\omega(t)$ = angular velocity of the disc [rad/s]

stabilization : find $\Gamma(t)$ such that $(w(\cdot, t), \omega(t)) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} (0, \omega_*)$?

Rotating body-beam

retrospective view of the literature

- with friction $B \neq 0$, stabilization control law by Xu & Baillieul 1993 ;
- without friction ($B = 0$) + boundary control Xu & Sallet 1994 ;
- without boundary control and without friction state feedback control law by Coron & d'Andéa-Novel 1998

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\omega} = \gamma &= \mathcal{F}(\omega, w, w_t) \\ &= -\left(\omega + \omega_* - \sigma\left(\int_0^1 ww_t dx\right)\right) \int_0^1 ww_t dx - C_2(\omega - \omega_*) \\ &\quad - \sigma'\left(\int_0^1 ww_t\right) \int_0^1 \left(w_t^2 - w_{xx}^2 + \omega^2 w^2\right) dx\end{aligned}$$

with $C_2 > 0$ and $\sigma \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}) : (2\omega_* - \sigma(s))s\sigma(s) > 0 \forall s \in \mathbb{R}$.

The closed-loop system is *strongly GAS* around $(0, \omega_*)$ with

$0 < \omega_* < \omega_{crit}$.

Rotating body-beam

Retrospective view of the literature

The points of Coron & d'Andréa-Novel's control law :

the state space has *infinite* dimension ;

torque control applied on the rigid body \Rightarrow easy to be applied in practice ;

the infinite-dimensional state needs to be accessible, while the observation space is of *finite* dimension.

solution : estimate online the state through an observer

$$\hat{w}(x, t) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} w(x, t) \quad \forall \hat{w}_0$$

and replace $\Gamma(w, w_t, \omega)$ by $\Gamma(\hat{w}, \hat{w}_t, \omega)$.

simplified model

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} w_{tt}(x, t) + w_{xxxx}(x, t) = \omega_*^2 w(x, t), \quad (\text{second order}) \\ w(0, t) = w_x(0, t) = 0, \\ w_{xx}(1, t) = w_{xxx}(1, t) = 0, \\ w(x, 0) = w_0(x), \quad w_t(x, 0) = w_1(x), \\ y(t) = w_{xx}(0, t). \quad (\text{single boundary measurement}) \end{array} \right.$$

state space $X = H_L^2 \times L^2(0, 1)$, $H_L^2 = \{f \in H^2(0, 1); f(0) = f_x(0) = 0\}$

$$\langle f, g \rangle_X = \int_0^1 f_{1xx} g_{1xx} + f_2 g_2 - \omega_*^2 f_1 g_1 \, dx$$

Observer and convergence

Observer design

Luenberger-like observer (*first order, explicit*) :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{w}_{1t}(x, t) = \hat{w}_2(x, t) - \kappa F(x) (\hat{w}_{1xx}(0, t) - y(t)), \\ \hat{w}_{2t}(x, t) = -\hat{w}_{1xxxx}(x, t) + \omega_*^2 \hat{w}_1(x, t), \\ \hat{w}_1(0, t) = \hat{w}_{1x}(0, t) = 0, \\ \hat{w}_{1xx}(1, t) = \hat{w}_{1xxx}(1, t) = 0, \\ \hat{w}(x, 0) = \hat{w}_0(x), \quad \hat{w}_t(x, 0) = \hat{w}_1(x) \end{array} \right.$$

with $\kappa > 0$ and F the unique solution of

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F''''(x) - \omega_*^2 F(x) = 0, \\ F(0) = F''(1) = F'''(1) = 0, \\ F'(0) = 1. \end{array} \right.$$

Observer and convergence

Convergence analysis

$$\mathcal{D}(A^\kappa) = \{(f_1 \ f_2)^T \in (H^4(0,1) \cap H_L^2) \times H^2(0,1); \\ f_{2x}(0) = \kappa f_{1xx}(0), f_2(0) = f_{1xx}(1) = f_{1xxx}(1) = 0\}$$

$$A^\kappa \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\kappa F(x)\Psi & I \\ -\partial_x^4 + \omega_*^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}, \quad \forall \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{D}(A^\kappa)$$

where $\Psi f = f_{xx}(0)$.

Error system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\varepsilon}(t) = A^\kappa \varepsilon(t) \\ \varepsilon(0) = \varepsilon_0. \end{cases}$$

- *Lyapunov* stable if $|\omega_*| < \omega_{crit}$!
- *exponential* stability ?

Observer and convergence

convergence analysis

Exponential convergence

Theorem

Assume that $|\omega_*| < \omega_{crit}$. The observer is *exponentially convergent* for every *positive gain* of correction $\kappa > 0$, i.e., given $\kappa > 0$ there exist $M > 0$, $\alpha > 0$ such that

$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} \hat{w}_1(\cdot, t) \\ \hat{w}_2(\cdot, t) \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} w(\cdot, t) \\ w_t(\cdot, t) \end{pmatrix} \right\|_X \leq M e^{-\alpha t} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \hat{w}_0 \\ \hat{w}_1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_X$$

Observer and convergence

convergence analysis

Let $A^\kappa = A - \kappa C_\Lambda^* C$ that has compact resolvents.

Let $\alpha = \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma_p(A^\kappa)} \operatorname{Re}(\lambda)$.

Proof :

- $\forall \kappa \geq 0$, A^κ is dissipative and the generator of C_0 semi-group of contractions on X : [Lumer-Phillips](#)
- exact observability of the observation system (A, C) on X

Lemma

Let $y = w_{1xx}(0, t)$. Then the observation system is *exactly observable* $\forall \omega_* \in \mathbb{R}$, i.e., $\exists T > 0, K > 0$ such that

$$K \|w_0\|_X^2 \leq \int_0^T w_{1xx}(0, t) dt \leq K^{-1} \|w_0\|_X^2 \quad \forall w_0 \in X.$$

Theorem

The eigenvalues $(\lambda_n)_{n \geq 0}$ of the operator A^κ are eventually with algebraic multiplicity 1 and the real part tends to -2κ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. The sequence of the corresponding generalized eigenfunctions forms a Riesz basis on X . Moreover the exponential decay rate of the C_0 -semigroup is determined by the spectre of its generator.

Accelerate the convergence rate of the observer

pole placement or spectrum assignment for the error system

second step in observer design : assign the convergence rate to a fixed value

Corollary

On replacing $\kappa[F(x) \ 0]^T$ by $\kappa[F(x) \ 0]^T + B(x)$ with some appropriate $\kappa > 0$ and $B(x)$, the convergence rate of the observer is tuned to as quick as we like.

example

1 eigenvalue :

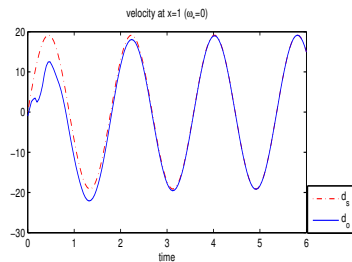
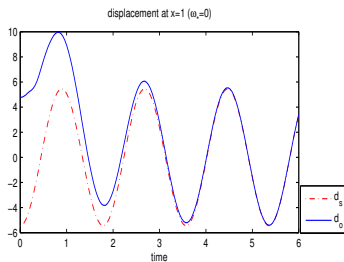
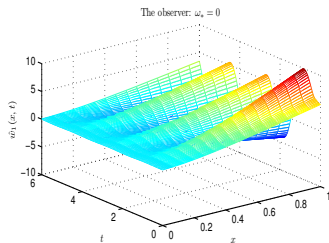
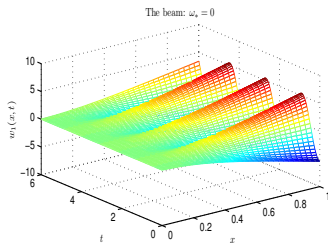
$$B = \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_1 - \lambda_1}{u_{1xx}(0)} e_1$$

allows to shift λ_1 to $\tilde{\lambda}_1$

where $e_1 = (u_1 \ v_1)^T$ is the eigenvector associated to λ_1 .

Simulation

$$\omega = 3 \text{ [rad/s]}$$



$$\omega(t) = 3 \cdot \sin^2(t) \text{ [rad/s]}$$

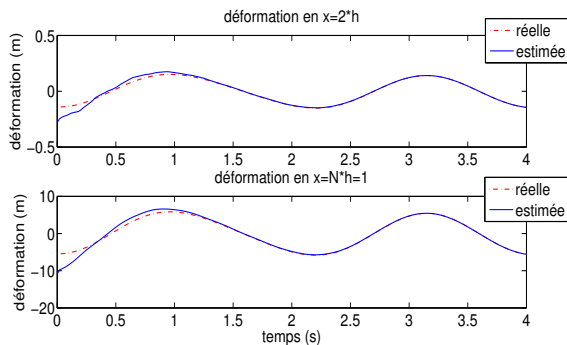
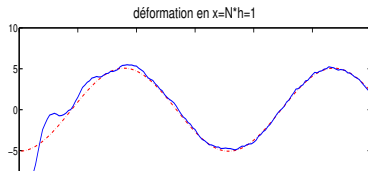
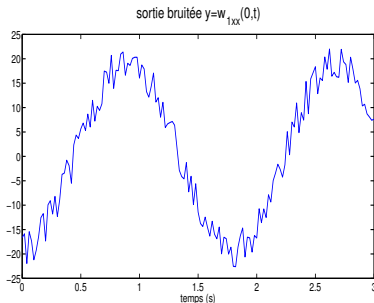


Figure – deformation history at $x = 0.1L$ (upper) and $x = L$ (lower) for the observation system (dashed) and the observer (solid). $\kappa = 1$.

Simulation

robustness

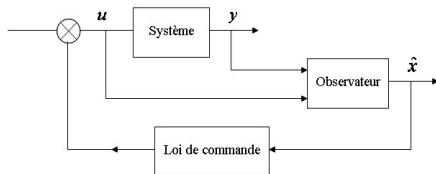
perturbation : $\tilde{y}(t) = w_{1xx}(0, t) + b(t)$, $b =$ white noise
(amplitude = 20% w.r.t the measurement, mean=0)



Closed-loop system

Observer-based control - Principle of separation $\Gamma(w, w_t, \omega) \Rightarrow \Gamma(\hat{w}, \hat{w}_t, \omega)$

- non-linear system described by (PDE-ODE)
- unbounded observation operator
- non local control



Conjecture

Let $\bar{\omega} \in]-\sqrt{l_1}, \sqrt{l_1}[\setminus\{0\}$. $(0, 0, \bar{\omega})$ (resp. $(0, 0, 0)$) is an equilibrium *locally asymptotically stable* on $X \times X \times \mathbb{R}$ for closed-loop system coupled with the feedback γ (resp. $\tilde{\gamma}$).

- **Summary**

- exponentially convergent Luenberger-like observers
- application to a rotating body-beam system
- decay rate assignment

- **Perspectives**

- global stabilization



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