

A stability analysis technique called trajectory-based approach

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Background and Motivation

Background and Motivation

→ **Stability** analysis of nonlinear systems is not always an easy task.

Especially when the systems are time-varying, have delays, discontinuities, are complicated interconnected systems.

→ **Lyapunov functions** are fundamental tools.

Lyapunov-Krasovskii functionals: natural analog of Lyapunov functions.

Razumikhin's theorem: crucial result, (especially when the delays are time-varying).

Background and Motivation

→ **Attention !** Frequently, Lyapunov-Krasovskii techniques in general *do not* apply to systems with **time-varying** delays.

The same is true for the **frequency domain** techniques.

→ Then **what can be done** ?

Difficult case: delays with **discontinuities**.

→ Motivations: sampling, networked systems, biomedical models.

Alternative techniques:

- **Trajectory based approach.**
- **Result based on Halanay's inequality.**

Background and Motivation

- They can be applied to **many families of systems**: ODE coupled with difference equations, interconnected and networked systems with time-varying delay, time-varying linear systems.
- They help to solve both **stability analyzes** and **stabilization** problems.
- They help overcome the **difficulties of finding** Lyapunov functionals.

Part I: Trajectory based approach: key result

Theorem 1

Let $T^* > 0$. Consider $w : [-T^*, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$,
 $d : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ and $\rho \in (0, 1)$ s. t.

$$w(t) \leq \rho \sup_{\ell \in [t-T^*, t]} w(\ell) + d(t), \quad \forall t \geq 0. \quad (1)$$

Then

$$w(t) \leq \sup_{\ell \in [-T^*, 0]} w(\ell) e^{\frac{\ln(\rho)}{T^*} t} + \frac{1}{(1-\rho)^2} \sup_{\ell \in [0, t]} d(\ell), \quad \forall t \geq 0. \quad (2)$$

- Since $\rho \in (0, 1)$, the function $e^{\frac{\ln(\rho)}{T^*} t}$ goes **exponentially** to zero.
- The inequality (2) is an **ISS inequality**.

Academic examples

Consider the system with delay

$$\dot{x}(t) = -x(t) + bx(t - \tau) \quad (3)$$

with $b \in (0, 1)$ and $\tau > 0$.

1) Let $T > 0$. We **integrate** to get

$$x(t) = e^{-T}x(t - T) + b \int_{t-T}^t e^{m-t}x(m - \tau)dm.$$

2) Then

$$|x(t)| \leq e^{-T}|x(t - T)| + b(1 - e^{-T}) \sup_{\ell \in [t-T-\tau, t-\tau]} |x(\ell)|. \quad (4)$$

3) As an immediate consequence,

$$|x(t)| \leq \left[e^{-T} + b(1 - e^{-T}) \right] \sup_{\ell \in [t-T-\tau, t-\tau]} |x(\ell)|. \quad (5)$$

4) Since $b < 1$, $e^{-T} + b(1 - e^{-T}) < 1$ for all $T > 0$.

Conclusion: from Theorem 1, we conclude that the system (3) is UGES to zero.

Consider the system

$$\dot{x}(t) = -x(t) + 9 \cos^{2p}(t)x(t - \tau), \quad (6)$$

with $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $p \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\tau \geq 0$.

Remark. When $\tau = 0$ and $p = 1$, $x(t) = e^{\frac{7}{2}t + \frac{9}{2}\sin(t)\cos(t)}x(0)$. Then the system is unstable. But when p is sufficiently large, the system is GUES.

Remark. One cannot establish that the origin of (6) is GUES by applying Razumikhin's theorem: with $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$,

$$\dot{V}(t) = -x(t)^2 + 9 \cos^{2p}(t)x(t)x(t - \tau).$$

1) We integrate to get

$$x(t) = e^{-2\pi} x(t - 2\pi) + 9 \int_{t-2\pi}^t e^{m-t} \cos^{2p}(m) x(m - \tau) dm.$$

2) Then

$$|x(t)| \leq e^{-2\pi} |x(t - 2\pi)| + 9 \int_{t-2\pi}^t e^{m-t} \cos^{2p}(m) dm \sup_{\ell \in [t-2\pi-\tau, t-\tau]} |x(\ell)|. \quad (7)$$

3) Then, when $p > 2$,

$$|x(t)| \leq \frac{e^{-2\pi} + 1}{2} \sup_{\ell \in [t-2\pi-\tau, t-\tau]} |x(\ell)|. \quad (8)$$

Conclusion: from Theorem 1, we conclude that the system (6) is UGES to zero.

We consider the system

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(t, x(t), \zeta(t, \tau(t)), \delta(t)) \quad (9)$$

where $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$,
 $\zeta(t, \tau(t)) = (X_1(t - \tau_1(t)), X_2(t - \tau_2(t)), \dots, X_L(t - \tau_L(t)))$, each subvector X_i of x has some dimension n_i .

Property: $\tau_i(t) \in [\tau_S, \tau_M]$ for all t and i with $\tau_M \geq \tau_S > 0$.

Equations with delay

We introduce assumptions:

Assumption A1. *There are $\beta \in \mathcal{KL}$ and $\gamma \in \mathcal{K}_\infty$ s. t. all trajectories of $\dot{\xi}(t) = f(t, \xi(t), u(t))$ for all u valued in $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m$ satisfy*

$$|\xi(t)| \leq \beta(|\xi(t_0)|, t - t_0) + \gamma \left(\sup_{\ell \in [t_0, t]} |u(\ell)| \right), \quad \forall t \geq t_0. \quad (10)$$

Assumption A2. *There are $T > 0$ and $\rho_0 \in (0, 1)$ s. t.*

$$\beta(s, T) + \gamma(s) \leq \rho_0 s \quad , \quad \forall s \geq 0. \quad (11)$$

Theorem 2

We can build a $\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{K}_\infty$ s. t. with

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\beta}(s, t) &= \mathcal{L}(s) \left(e^{\frac{\ln(\rho_0)}{2T}(t-2T)} + e^{2T-t} \right) \\ \text{and } \bar{\gamma}(s) &= \frac{s\rho_0}{(1-\rho_0)^2} + \mathcal{L}(s),\end{aligned}\tag{12}$$

the ISS estimate

$$|x(t)| \leq \bar{\beta} \left(\sup_{\ell \in [t_0 - \bar{\tau}, t_0]} |x(\ell)|, t - t_0 \right) + \bar{\gamma} \left(\sup_{\ell \in [t_0, t]} |\delta(\ell)| \right)\tag{13}$$

holds along all trajectories of (9).

Proof.

1) Assumptions A1 and A2 give

$$\begin{aligned} |x(t)| &\leq \beta \left(\sup_{\ell \in [t-2T, t]} |x(\ell)| + \sup_{\ell \in [t_0, t]} |\delta(\ell)|, T \right) \\ &\quad + \gamma \left(\sup_{\ell \in [t-2T, t]} |x(\ell)| + \sup_{\ell \in [t_0, t]} |\delta(\ell)| \right) \\ &\leq \rho_0 \left(\sup_{\ell \in [t-2T, t]} |x(\ell)| + \sup_{\ell \in [t_0, t]} |\delta(\ell)| \right) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

for all $t \geq t_0 + 2T$ and all δ .

2) By applying **Theorem 1** with $w(t) = |x(t + 2T + t_0)|$, $\rho = \rho_0$, $T_* = 2T$, and $d(t) = \rho_0 \sup_{\ell \in [t_0, t_0 + 2T + t]} |\delta(\ell)|$ we obtain:

$$|x(t)| \leq \sup_{\ell \in [t_0, t_0 + 2T]} |x(\ell)| e^{\frac{\ln(\rho_0)}{2T}(t - 2T - t_0)} + \frac{\rho_0}{(1 - \rho_0)^2} \sup_{\ell \in [t_0, t]} |\delta(\ell)| \quad (15)$$

for all $t \geq 2T + t_0$.

3) Next, by studying the trajectories over $[t_0, t_0 + 2T]$, we can **conclude**.

We consider now a system with **impulses** and **delay**:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{x}(t) = f(t, x(t), x(t - \tau), z(t)) \\ \dot{z}(t) = g(t, x(t), z(t)) \quad \forall t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}) \text{ and } k \geq 0 \\ z(t_k) = h(z(t_k^-)), \quad k \in \mathbb{N} \end{array} \right. \quad (16)$$

with $\tau \geq 0$.

Stability result: obtained under 2 assumptions:

Assumption B1. There are $c_1 \geq 0$, $c_2 \geq 0$, and $c_3 > 0$ s. t.

(a) $|h(z)| \leq c_1|z|$ and

(b) all solutions of

$$\dot{\xi}(t) = g(t, v(t), \xi(t)) \quad (17)$$

satisfy

$$|\xi(t)| \leq e^{c_3(t-t_0)} |\xi(t_0)| + c_2 \sup_{\ell \in [t_0, t]} v(\ell). \quad (18)$$

Also,

$$e^{c_3\tau} c_1 < 1. \quad (19)$$

Assumption B2. *The system*

$$\dot{\xi}(t) = f(t, \xi(t), u(t)) \quad (20)$$

satisfies ISS for some $\beta \in \mathcal{KL}$ and $\gamma \in \mathcal{K}_\infty$. There are an integer $j \geq 1$ and $\rho \in (0, \frac{1}{1+c_2})$ s. t.

$$\beta(s, j\tau) + \gamma(s) \leq \rho s, \quad \forall s \geq 0 \quad (21)$$

and

$$c_1^j e^{jc_3\tau} + \rho + \sqrt{(c_1^j e^{jc_3\tau} - \rho)^2 + \frac{4\rho c_2(1+c_1 e^{c_3\tau})}{1-c_1 e^{c_3\tau}}} < 1 \quad (22)$$

hold.

Part II: Vector version of the trajectory based approach

→ Let $S \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times l}$ be a **positive** and **Schur stable** matrix.

Bearing in mind **Perron-Frobenius** theorem, let $V \in [1 + \infty)^n$ be s. t.

$$SV = qV \quad (23)$$

with $q \in (0, 1)$.

→ Let $\Delta : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)^n$ be s. t. each component Δ_i is piecewise continuous and **nondecreasing**.

→ Let

$$\rho(t) = -(-I + S)^{-1} \Delta(t). \quad (24)$$

Theorem 3

Let $T_\star > 0$ and n functions $z_i : [-T_\star + \infty) \rightarrow [0 + \infty)$ be s. t.

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ z_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \leq S \begin{pmatrix} \sup_{s \in [t-T_\star, t]} z_1(s) \\ \vdots \\ \sup_{s \in [t-T_\star, t]} z_n(s) \end{pmatrix} + \Delta(t). \quad (25)$$

Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ z_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \sup_{\ell \in [-T_\star, 0]} z_j(\ell) e^{\frac{\ln(q)}{T_\star} t} V + \rho(t). \quad (26)$$

- Since $q \in (0, 1)$, the function $e^{\frac{\ln(q)}{T^*} t}$ goes **exponentially** to zero.
- From the vector inequality (26), an **ISS inequality** can be deduced.
- Since $-I + S$ is Metzler and Hurwitz, ρ is **nonnegative** and **nondecreasing**.

We consider the system:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1(t) &= -2x_1(t) - x_2(t - \tau_1) \\ x_2(t) &= \sin(x_1(t)) + \frac{1}{4}x_2(t - \tau_2) \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

with $\tau_1 \geq 0$ and $\tau_2 > 0$.

Then, for all $R > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} x_1(t) &= e^{-2R}x_1(t - R) - \int_{t-R}^t e^{2(\ell-t)}x_2(\ell - \tau_1)d\ell \\ |x_2(t)| &\leq |x_1(t)| + \frac{1}{4}|x_2(t - \tau_2)|. \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

Consequently, for all $R \geq \tau_2$:

$$\begin{aligned} |x_1(t)| &\leq e^{-2R}|x_1(t-R)| + \frac{1-e^{-2R}}{2} \sup_{\ell \in [t-\tau_1-R, t]} |x_2(\ell)| \\ |x_2(t)| &\leq |x_1(t)| + \frac{1}{4} \sup_{\ell \in [t-\tau_1-R, t]} |x_2(\ell)| \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

for all $t \geq \tau_1 + R$.

Let

$$\Upsilon_R = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2R} & \frac{1-e^{-2R}}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (30)$$

Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} |x_1(t)| \\ |x_2(t)| \end{pmatrix} \leq \Upsilon_R \begin{pmatrix} \sup_{\ell \in [t-\tau_1-R, t]} |x_1(\ell)| \\ \sup_{\ell \in [t-\tau_1-R, t]} |x_2(\ell)| \end{pmatrix} \quad (31)$$

for all $t \geq \tau_1 + R$.

Question: is Υ_R a Schur stable matrix for some constant R ?

The positive eigenvalue of:

$$\Upsilon_{\ln(10)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{100} & \frac{99}{200} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \quad (32)$$

is $\frac{13}{100} + \frac{1}{100}\sqrt{5094} < 1$.

It follows that $\Upsilon_{\ln(10)}$ is **Schur stable**.

We conclude from Theorem 3 that **the origin of (27) is UGES**.

Consider

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) &= [A + \delta(t)]x(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t) \end{cases} \quad (33)$$

where x is valued in \mathbb{R}^n and y is valued in \mathbb{R}^p .

Assumption C1. δ is known and for all (i,j) ,

$$|\delta_{i,j}(t)| \leq \bar{\delta} \quad (34)$$

for all t .

Assumption C2. (A, C) is observable.

Objective: construction of a **finite-time** or an **almost finite-time** observer under Assumptions C1 and C2.

Difficulty to construct a finite-time observer: δ is time-varying.

Let $\tau > 0$ and

$$E = \int_{-\tau}^0 e^{A^\top s} C^\top C e^{As} ds \quad (35)$$

Assumption C2 ensures that E is **invertible**.

One can prove that

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) = & E^{-1} \int_{t-\tau}^t e^{A^\top(s-t)} C^\top y(s) ds \\ & + E^{-1} \int_{t-\tau}^t e^{A^\top(s-t)} C^\top \int_s^t e^{A(s-m)} \delta(m) x(m) dm \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

for all $t \geq \tau$.

We introduce the observer:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}(t) = & E^{-1} \int_{t-\tau}^t e^{A^\top(s-t)} C^\top y(s) ds \\ & + E^{-1} \int_{t-\tau}^t e^{A^\top(s-t)} C^\top \int_s^t e^{A(s-m)} \delta(m) \hat{x}(m) dm.\end{aligned}\quad (37)$$

Then

$$\tilde{x}(t) = E^{-1} \int_{t-\tau}^t e^{A^\top(s-t)} C^\top \int_s^t e^{A(s-m)} \delta(m) \tilde{x}(m) dm \quad (38)$$

with $\tilde{x}(t) = \hat{x}(t) - x(t)$.

Assumption C1 ensures that there is a matrix $P > 0$ s. t.

$$\begin{pmatrix} |\tilde{x}_1(t)| \\ \vdots \\ |\tilde{x}_n(t)| \end{pmatrix} \leq \tau^2 \bar{\delta} P \begin{pmatrix} \sup_{m \in [t-\tau, t]} |\tilde{x}_1(m)| \\ \vdots \\ \sup_{m \in [t-\tau, t]} |\tilde{x}_n(m)| \end{pmatrix}. \quad (39)$$

The matrix $\tau^2 \bar{\delta} P$ is **Schur stable** when $\bar{\delta}$ is sufficiently small.

We deduce from Theorem 3 that the convergence rate of observer is **proportional** to $-\ln(\bar{\delta})$.

In other words, we have an **almost finite-time** observer.

We have established a vector **discrete-time** version of the trajectory based approach.

Let $S > 0$, $p \in (0, 1)$ and $U \in [1, +\infty)^n$ be such that

$$SU = pU \quad (40)$$

and

$$V_i = \begin{pmatrix} v_{1,i} \\ \vdots \\ v_{n,i} \end{pmatrix} \in [0, +\infty)^n \quad (41)$$

be such that

$$V_{i+1} \leq S \begin{pmatrix} \max\{v_{1,i}, \dots, v_{1,i-r+1}\} \\ \vdots \\ \max\{v_{n,i}, \dots, v_{n,i-r+1}\} \end{pmatrix} + \Delta_i \quad (42)$$

Then

$$V_i \leq \Gamma_i \quad (43)$$

with

$$\Gamma_i = cp_r^i U + (I - S)^{-1} \Delta_i \quad (44)$$

and

$$c > \frac{1}{\rho} \max_{\{-r, \dots, 0\}} \{\max\{v_{1,i}, \dots, v_{n,i}\}\} \quad (45)$$

Potential advantages of our **trajectory based methods**:

- 1 We do not require special **regularity** on the dynamics such as Lipschitzness conditions.
- 2 We can study 'complicated' **interconnected** systems.
- 3 We **do not need Lyapunov function formulas** for any subsystems.
- 4 We get **explicit comparison functions** in the final exponential ISS estimates.

Part III: Trajectory based approach and Halanay's inequality

Classical result:

A. Halanay, *Differential Equations: Stability, Oscillations, Time Lags*, Academic Press, New York, 1966.

Let $v : [-\tau, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ be a scalar function of class C^1 and constants $a > 0$, $b \geq 0$ and $\tau \geq 0$ be s. t.

$$\dot{v}(t) \leq -av(t) + b \sup_{\ell \in [t-\tau, t]} v(\ell). \quad (46)$$

Then if $a > b$, then $v(t)$ **exponentially converges** to zero as $t \rightarrow +\infty$.

Can the approach be extended to **time-varying** inequalities:

$$\dot{v}(t) \leq -a(t)v(t) + b(t) \sup_{\ell \in [t-\tau, t]} v(\ell) \quad (47)$$

and to **vector inequalities**:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{v}_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ \dot{v}_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \leq M(t) \begin{pmatrix} v_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ v_n(t) \end{pmatrix} + P(t) \begin{pmatrix} \sup_{s \in [t-\tau, t]} v_1(s) \\ \vdots \\ \sup_{s \in [t-\tau, t]} v_n(s) \end{pmatrix} \quad (48)$$

where M is Metzler and $P \geq 0$?

Time-varying inequality

Possible approach for (47): **the trajectory based approach.**

→ We integrate (47):

$$v(t) \leq e^{\int_s^t a(\ell) d\ell} v(t-s) + \int_s^t e^{\int_m^t a(\ell) d\ell} b(m) \sup_{\ell \in [m-\tau, m]} v(\ell) dm. \quad (49)$$

→ Consequently, for any $h > 0$,

$$v(t) \leq \left[e^{\int_{t-h}^t a(\ell) d\ell} + \int_{t-h}^t e^{\int_m^t a(\ell) d\ell} b(m) dm \right] \sup_{\ell \in [t-h-\tau, t]} v(\ell). \quad (50)$$

→ Consequently, if there is $\rho \in (0, 1)$ s. t.

$$e^{\int_{t-h}^t a(\ell) d\ell} + \int_{t-h}^t e^{\int_m^t a(\ell) d\ell} b(m) dm \leq \rho \quad (51)$$

for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$, Theorem 1 applies.

Then we conclude that v **exponentially** converges to zero as $t \rightarrow +\infty$.

Remark. When an additive term is present, an **ISS inequality** can be obtained.

The previous result applies in **many cases**.

However, it has **a limitation**.

To understand it, we consider **a particular example**.

→ Let $t_i = i\bar{T}$. Let v be s. t.

$$\dot{v}(t) \leq -v(t) + b(t) \sup_{\ell \in [t-\tau, t]} v(\ell) \quad (52)$$

where b is defined by

$$b(t) = \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } t \in \cup_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} [t_i, t_i + T), \\ 0, & \text{if } t \in \cup_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} [t_i + T, t_{i+1}), \end{cases} \quad (53)$$

where $T > 0$ is “small”.

Notice that if $T = 0$, then

$$\dot{v}(t) \leq -v(t) \quad (54)$$

Thus the intuition suggests that if $T > 0$ is **sufficiently small**, then v converges to zero.

Question: Can we establish this result via the trajectory based approach ?

Answer: A direct application of the trajectory based approach does not allow us to conclude.

Time-varying inequality

→ Integrating (52) over $[t_i, t]$ with $t \in [t_i, t_{i+1})$ yields

$$v(t) \leq e^{t_i-t} v(t_i) + \int_{t_i}^t e^{m-t} b(m) dm \sup_{\ell \in [t_i-T, t]} v(\ell). \quad (55)$$

→ Thus for any $t \in [t_i, t_i + T)$,

$$v(t) \leq (2 - e^{t_i-t}) \sup_{\ell \in [t_i-T, t]} v(\ell). \quad (56)$$

→ Since $2 - e^{t_i-t} > 1$ for any $t > t_i$, the trajectory based approach **does not** apply.

We provided an **extension** of Halanay's inequality in the contribution:

F. Mazenc, M. Malisoff, M. Krstic, *Stability and observer designs using new variants of Halanay's inequality.*, Automatica, Vol. 123, Jan. 2021.

Interconnected systems often lead to the problem of studying inequalities

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{v}_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ \dot{v}_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \leq M(t) \begin{pmatrix} v_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ v_n(t) \end{pmatrix} + P(t) \begin{pmatrix} \sup_{s \in [t-\tau, t]} v_1(s) \\ \vdots \\ \sup_{s \in [t-\tau, t]} v_n(s) \end{pmatrix} \quad (57)$$

where $M(t)$ is **Metzler**, $P(t)$ is **nonnegative**, $\tau > 0$ and where each v_i is a **nonnegative real-valued** function.

We have:

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ v_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \leq \Phi(t, t_0) \begin{pmatrix} v_1(t_0) \\ \vdots \\ v_n(t_0) \end{pmatrix} + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, m) P(m) \begin{pmatrix} \sup_{s \in [m-\tau, m]} v_1(s) \\ \vdots \\ \sup_{s \in [m-\tau, m]} v_n(s) \end{pmatrix} dm \quad (58)$$

for all $t \geq t_0 \geq \tau$, where Φ is the state transition matrix of M .

Consequently

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ v_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \leq \Phi(t, t-T) \begin{pmatrix} v_1(t-T) \\ \vdots \\ v_n(t-T) \end{pmatrix} + \int_{t-T}^t \Phi(t, m) P(m) dm \begin{pmatrix} \sup_{s \in [t-T-\tau, t]} v_1(s) \\ \vdots \\ \sup_{s \in [t-T-\tau, t]} v_n(s) \end{pmatrix} \quad (59)$$

for any $T > 0$ and $t \geq T + \tau$.

We obtain the vector inequality

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ v_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \leq G(t, T) \begin{pmatrix} \sup_{s \in [t-T-\tau, t]} v_1(s) \\ \vdots \\ \sup_{s \in [t-T-\tau, t]} v_n(s) \end{pmatrix} \quad (60)$$

with $G(t, T) = \Phi(t, t - T) + \int_{t-T}^t \Phi(t, m)P(m)dm$.

Notice that $G(t, T) \geq 0$

Assumption D1. *There are $T > 0$ and a Schur stable matrix $S > 0$ s. t.*

$$G(t, T) \leq S \quad (61)$$

for all $t \geq T$.

Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ v_n(t) \end{pmatrix} \leq S \begin{pmatrix} \sup_{s \in [t-T-\tau, t]} v_1(s) \\ \vdots \\ \sup_{s \in [t-T-\tau, t]} v_n(s) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (62)$$

The **vector version** of the trajectory based approach (Theorem 3) allows us to conclude.

Conclusion

- ▷ We developed a **trajectory based approach** to prove **UGES** for nonlinear systems, notably with time-varying delays.
- ▷ They apply **in many cases** (ODEs coupled with difference equations, systems with delay of neutral type, and networked control systems).
- ▷ Using our approach, we proved stabilizability of nonlinear systems in the case where the **delay** could be **unknown** and **not necessarily continuous**, and where the system is subjected to additive **uncertainties** on the right side.

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