

Algebraic Riccati equations

Note Title

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$$\min_u \int_0^{\infty} \left(\underline{x(t)^* Q x(t)} + \underline{u(t)^* u(t)} \right) dt \quad Q \succ 0$$

Solution obtained from

$$Q + A^* X + X A - X G X = 0 \quad G = b b^*$$

$$A x(t) + b u(t) = (A - b b^* X) x(t) = (A - G X) x(t)$$

$$\boxed{u(t) = -b^* X x(t)} \quad \text{"feedback control"}$$

Proof:

Delta, Ch. 10

Magic factorization:

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dt} x^* X x} = \underbrace{(u + b^* X x)^* (u + b^* X x)}_{\substack{\neq \\ 0}} - \underbrace{x^* Q x - u^* u}_{\neq}$$

$$\min_{u(t)} \int x^* Q x + u^* u \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \dot{x} = A x + B u$$

[Mehrmann '91]

Discrete-time analogue "the ugly equation":

$$X = Q + A^* X \left[(I + G X)^{-1} A \right] \quad G = b b^*$$

Various forms:

$$\rho(GX) < 1$$

$$\boxed{(I + G X)^{-1}} = I - G X + G X G X - \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} X(I + G X)^{-1} &= X - X G X + X G X G X - \dots = (I + X G)^{-1} X \\ &= \boxed{X - X(I - G X)^{-1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= X - Xb(1-b^*Xb - b^*Xbb^*Xb - \dots)b^*$$

$$X = Q + A^*XA + \text{other terms}$$

Many different forms!

CARE $A^*X + XA + Q - XGX = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} A & -G \\ -Q & -A^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} K$$

$$K = A - GX$$

$$\begin{cases} A - GX = K \\ -Q - A^*X = XK = X(A - GX) \end{cases}$$

X solves CARE $\Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} A - G & \\ -Q & -A^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} K$

$\begin{matrix} 2n \times 2n & 2n \times n & 2n \times n & n \times n \end{matrix}$

Related to:

$$Hw = w\lambda$$

$\begin{matrix} 2n \times 2n & 2n \times 1 & 2n \times 1 & 1 \times 1 \end{matrix}$

$$Kv = v\lambda \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} A - G \\ -Q - A^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} v\lambda$$

$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} v, \lambda \right)$ is an eigenvector/value pair for H

$(v_1, \dots, v_n)$ eigenvectors of $K \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} v_1, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} v_n$

are n of the $2n$ eigenvector/value pairs of H

Algorithm (unstable):

1) Form H

2) Compute eigenvectors of H

3) Take n out of those $2n$ eigenvectors $U = [w_1 \ w_2 \ \dots \ w_n]$

$$U \in \mathbb{C}^{2n \times n}$$

$$\text{span } U = \text{span} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} v_1, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} v_n \right) = \text{Im} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix}$$

("invariant subspace")

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} U_1 \\ U_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

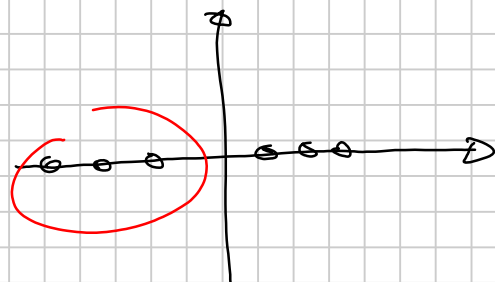
$$UU^T = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ X \end{bmatrix}$$

Take those in the LHP!

CARE $A^T X + X A + Q - X G X$ has $\binom{2n}{n}$, but only the one that is stabilizing gives the solution to the optimal control problem

$$\Lambda(A - GX) \subset \text{LHP}$$

$$\Lambda(A - GX) = \Lambda(H) \cap \text{LHP}$$



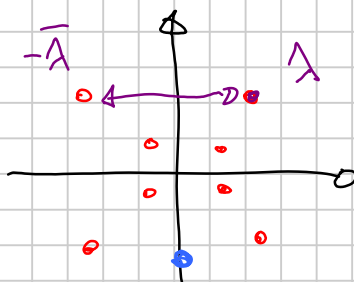
Optimal control $\Leftrightarrow X$ stabilizing solution of CARE

Lemma: Suppose we have a matrix $H = \begin{bmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} \\ H_{21} & H_{22} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{2n \times 2n}$

$$H_{12} = H_{12}^*, H_{21} = H_{21}^*, -H_{11}^* = H_{22}$$

Then, if $\lambda \in \Lambda(H) \Rightarrow -\bar{\lambda} \in \Lambda(H)$ with the same multiplicity

I.e., $\Lambda(H)$ is symmetric w.r.t. the imaginary axis.



$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$JH = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & -G \\ -Q & -A^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -Q & -A^* \\ -A & G \end{bmatrix} \text{ Hermitian!}$$

$$JH = (JH)^* = H^* J^* \Leftrightarrow JHJ^{-*} = H^*$$

$$JHJ^{-1} = -H^*$$

$\Rightarrow H, -H^*$ are similar, they have the same spectrum!

Additional results: (A, b) controllable and (A^*, Q) controllable,

then there are no eigenvalues on the imaginary axis, and $X = X^*$ for the matrix such that $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \tilde{X} \end{bmatrix}$ is a basis of the stable invariant subspace.

Dense equation: Schur algorithm:

1) compute $\text{Schur}(H) = U T U^*$

2) reorder Schur form s.t. $\text{diag}(T(1:n, 1:n)) = \text{stable eigenvalues}$

3) $X = U_{21} U_{11}^{-1}$, where $U = \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} \\ U_{21} & U_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ (after reordering)

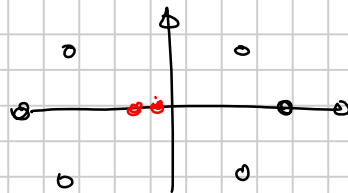
The computed $\tilde{X}$ (in machine arithmetic) is s.t.

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \tilde{X} \end{bmatrix}$ is the invariant subspace of $H + \Delta_H$, $\frac{\|\Delta_H\|}{\|H\|}$

of the order of machine precision.

Issues:

- 1) Schur slow
- 2) $H + \Delta_H$ does not have the same structure as H (Hermitian)



$\Rightarrow$ wrong choice of Δ_i 's

Iterative algorithms for dense equations

DARE $X = Q + A^* X (I + G X)^{-1} A$

First idea: $X_{k+1} = Q + A^* X_k (I + G X_k)^{-1} A$

One can prove that $0 = X_0 \leq X_1 \leq X_2 \leq \dots \leq X$

and it converges ^{linearly} to the stabilizing solution.

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ Q & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & G \\ 0 & A^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{bmatrix} K$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} A = (I + GX)K \\ Q + X = A^* X K = A^* X (I + GX)^{-1} A \end{cases}$$

We are looking for the solution such that $\rho((I + GX)^{-1} A) \in \overset{\text{open}}{\text{disc}}$

$$A x_k + b u_k = (I + GX)^{-1} A x_k = (A + b f^*) x_k$$

The analogue of the Hamiltonian is

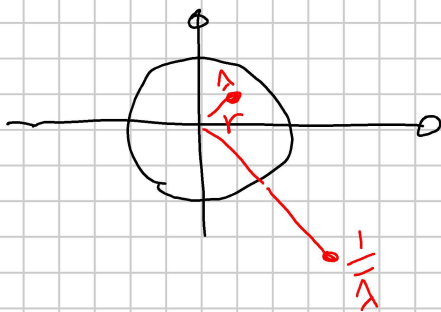
$$S = \begin{bmatrix} I & G \\ 0 & A^* \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ Q & I \end{bmatrix}$$

We are looking for invariant subspaces of this matrix

Lemma: if G, Q symmetric, then any matrix of the form

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} I & G \\ 0 & A^* \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ Q & I \end{bmatrix}$$

has eigenvalues that are inversion-symmetric w.r.t. the unit disc:



$$\lambda \in \Lambda(S) \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\bar{\lambda}} \in \Lambda(S)$$

Factorization for the iteration:

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ -Q & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ x_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & G \\ 0 & A^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ x_k \end{bmatrix} K_k$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} A = (I + GX_k)K_k \\ -Q + X_{k+1} = A^* X_k K_k = A^* X_k (I + GX_k)^{-1} A \end{cases}$$

We can write our iteration in the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} I \\ X_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} K_k^{-1} = S^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ X_k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_{k+1} = M v_k$$

$$v_0, M v_0, M^2 v_0, \dots$$

Subspace iteration: given $V_0 \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times k}$,

$V_0, M V_0, M^2 V_0, M^3 V_0, \dots$ converges to k copies of the leading eigenvector

If we add a normalization,

$V_{k+1} = \text{orth}(M V_k)$ so that V_k orthogonal at each step,

$V_k \rightarrow \text{span}(\text{leading } k \text{ eigenvectors})$

Our algorithm

$$\begin{bmatrix} I \\ X_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} K_k^{-1} = S^{-1} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I \\ X_k \end{bmatrix}}_{V_k \in \mathbb{C}^{2n \times n}}$$

$\uparrow$
 normalization

Normalization: the first n rows contain I
 This is the subspace iteration on S^{-1} .

It is going to converge to the invariant subspace associated to the n eigenvectors of S inside the unit disc.

Convergence is linear with rate $\left| \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_{n+1}} \right|$

where λ_n is the largest eigenvalue in the disc,
 $\frac{1}{\lambda_n} = \lambda_{n+1}$ is the smallest outside the disc

$$\left| \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_{n+1}} \right| = r^2 \quad r = \rho((I + GX)^{-1}A).$$

Like the Smith method, we can build a squaring variant

$$\begin{bmatrix} I \\ X_k \end{bmatrix} K_k^{-1} K_{k-1}^{-1} \dots X_1 = S^{-k} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ X_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can speed up the iteration by computing

$$S^{-1}, S^{-2}, S^{-4}, S^{-8}, \dots$$

by repeated squaring, getting

$$X_0, X_1, X_2, X_4, X_8, \dots$$

$\sim$ quadratic convergence
 $\sim r^{2^k}$

$$10^{-16} = 2^{-52}$$

one can compute factorizations iteratively:

$$S^{2^k} = \begin{bmatrix} I & G_k \\ 0 & A_k^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_k & 0 \\ -Q_k & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} A_{k+1} = A_k (I + G_k Q_k)^{-1} A_k \\ G_{k+1} = G_k + A_k G_k (I + Q_k G_k)^{-1} A_k^* \\ Q_{k+1} = Q_k + A_k^* (I + Q_k G_k)^{-1} Q_k A_k \end{cases} \sim 10n^3$$

Structured doubling algorithm.

Finite horizon control
 $t_f < \infty$

$$\dot{X} = A^* X + X A + G - X Q X$$

$\Rightarrow$ eigenvalues

M large, dense many eigenpairs

FEAST algorithms

$f(M)$

