Saturated control of infinite-dimensional systems

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Fount 3.3. The frequency distribution of the normal vibration modes of a ski. The ski is clamped at the center to a shaker and driven. An output accelerometer located on the afterbody records the vibration response shown. Reprinted with permission from R. Le Pizialli and C. D. Mote, Fr., "The Snow Ski as a Dynamic System," J. Dynamic Syst. Meas. Control, Trans. ASME **94**, 136 (1972).

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- Well-posedness
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of the wave equation in presence of a disturbed saturating control with a Lyapunov method.

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1 – Wave equation with an in-domain control



1D wave equation with in-domain control. Dynamics of the vibration:

$$z_{tt}(x,t) = z_{xx}(x,t) + f(x,t), \ \forall x \in (0,1), t \ge 0,$$
 (3)

Boundary conditions, $\forall t \geq 0$,

$$z(0,t) = 0,$$

 $z(1,t) = 0,$ (4)

and with the following initial condition, $\forall x \in (0, 1)$,

$$\begin{aligned} z(x,0) &= z^0(x) , \\ z_t(x,0) &= z^1(x) , \end{aligned}$$
 (5)

where z^0 and z^1 stand respectively for the initial deflection and the initial deflection speed.

Let us define the linear control by

$$f(x,t) = -az_t(x,t), x \in (0,1), \ \forall t \ge 0,$$
(6)

and consider

$$V_1 = \frac{1}{2} \int (z_x^2 + z_t^2) dx.$$

Formal computation. Along the solutions to (3), (4) and (6):

Thus, it a > 0, V_1 is a (non strict) Lyapunov function.

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When closing the loop with a saturating control

Let us consider now the nonlinear control

$$f(x,t) = -\text{sat}(az_t(x,t)), \ x \in (0,1), \ \forall t \ge 0, \tag{7}$$

where sat is the localized saturated map:



Equation (3) in closed loop with the control (7) becomes

$$z_{tt} = z_{xx} - \operatorname{sat}(az_t) \tag{8}$$

A formal computation gives, along the solutions to (8) and (4),

$$\dot{V}_1 = -\int_0^1 z_t \operatorname{sat}(az_t) dx$$

which asks to handle the nonlinearity $z_t \operatorname{sat}(az_t)$.

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{[Slemrod; 1989] and [Lasiecka and Seidman; 2003] deal with L^2 saturation: \\ \mbox{Given } \sigma : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \mbox{sat}_2(\sigma) \mbox{ is the function defined by } \\ \mbox{sat}_2(\sigma)(x) = \begin{cases} \sigma(x) & \mbox{if } \|\sigma\|_{L^2(0,1)} < 1 \\ \frac{\sigma(x)}{\|\sigma\|_{L^2(0,1)}} & \mbox{else} \end{cases} \end{array}$

Here we consider **localized** saturation which is more physically relevant:

$$\operatorname{sat}(\sigma(x)) = \left\{ egin{array}{cc} \sigma(x) & ext{if } |\sigma(x)| < 1 \ \operatorname{sign}(\sigma(x)) & ext{else} \end{array}
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Theorem 1 [CP, Tarbouriech, Gomes da Silva Jr; 2016]

 $\forall a \geq 0$, for all (z^0, z^1) in $(H^2(0, 1) \cap H^1_0(0, 1)) \times H^1_0(0, 1)$, there exists a unique solution z: $[0, \infty) \to H^2(0, 1) \cap H^1_0(0, 1)$ to (8) with the boundary conditions (4) and the initial condition (5).

Consider

$$A_1 \left(\begin{array}{c} u \\ v \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} v \\ u_{xx} - \operatorname{sat}(av) \end{array}\right)$$

with the domain $D(A_1) = (H^2(0,1) \cap H^1_0(0,1)) \times H^1_0(0,1)$. Let us use a generalization of Lumer-Phillips theorem which is the so-called Crandall-Liggett theorem, as given in [Barbu; 1976]. See also [Brezis; 1973] and [Miyadera; 1992]. Again two conditions

() A_1 is dissipative, that is

$$\Re\left(\langle A_1\left(\begin{array}{c}u\\v\end{array}\right)-A_1\left(\begin{array}{c}\tilde{u}\\\tilde{v}\end{array}\right),\left(\begin{array}{c}u\\v\end{array}\right)-\left(\begin{array}{c}\tilde{u}\\\tilde{v}\end{array}\right)\rangle\right)\leq 0$$

First item: Easy step!
Instead of proving

$$\Re\left(\langle A_1\begin{pmatrix} u\\v \end{pmatrix} - A_1\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{u}\\\tilde{v} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} u\\v \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{u}\\\tilde{v} \end{pmatrix}\rangle\right) \leq 0, \text{ let us}$$
check, for all $\begin{pmatrix} u\\v \end{pmatrix} \in H_0^1(0,1) \times L^2(0,1)$:

$$\Re\left(\langle A_1\begin{pmatrix} u\\v \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} u\\v \end{pmatrix}\rangle\right) \leq 0$$

To do that, using the definition of A_1 , and of the scalar product in $H^1_0(0,1) \times L^2(0,1)$, it is equal to:

$$\begin{split} \int_0^1 v_x(x) \overline{u_x(x)} dx &+ \int_0^1 (u_{xx}(x) - \operatorname{sat}(\operatorname{a} v(x))) \overline{v(x)} dx \ , \\ &= \int_0^1 v_x(x) \overline{u_x(x)} dx + \int_0^1 u_{xx}(x) \overline{v(x)} dx - \int_0^1 \operatorname{sat}(\operatorname{a} v(x)) \overline{v(x)} dx \\ &= [u_x(x) \overline{v(x)}]_{x=0}^{x=1} - \int_0^1 \operatorname{sat}(\operatorname{a} v(x)) \overline{v(x)} dx \le 0 \end{split}$$

due to the boundary and since $a \ge 0$.

Second item asks to deal with a nonlinear ODE. Let $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \in H_0^1(0,1) \times L^2(0,1)$ we have to find $\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \end{pmatrix} \in D(A_1)$ such that

$$(I - \lambda A_1) \left(\begin{array}{c} \tilde{u} \\ \tilde{v} \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} u \\ v \end{array} \right)$$

that is

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Nonhomogeneous nonlinear ODE with two boundary conditions

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Theorem 2

 $\forall a > 0$, for all (z^0, z^1) in $(H^2(0, 1) \cap H^1_0(0, 1)) \times H^1_0(0, 1)$, the solution to (8) with the boundary conditions (4) and the initial condition (5) satisfies the following stability property, $\forall t \ge 0$,

$$\|z(.,t)\|_{H^1_0(0,1)} + \|z_t(.,t)\|_{L^2(0,1)} \le \|z^0\|_{H^1_0(0,1)} + \|z^1\|_{L^2(0,1)} \; ,$$

together with the attractivity property

 $\|z(.,t)\|_{H^1_0(0,1)} + \|z_t(.,t)\|_{L^2(0,1)} o 0, \text{ as } t o \infty$.

Due to Theorem 1, the formal computation

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makes sense. This is only a weak Lyapunov function $V_1 \leq 0$ (the state is (z, z_t) , and there is no $-z^2$). To be able to apply LaSalle's Invariance Principle, we have to check that the trajectories are precompact (see e.g. [Dafermos, Slemrod; 1973], [d'Andréa-Novel *et al*; 1994]). It comes from:

Lemma

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Sketch of the proof of

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Consider a sequence $\begin{pmatrix} u_n \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $D(A_1)$, which is bounded with the graph norm, that is $\exists M > 0$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\begin{split} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} u_n \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{D(A_1)}^2 &:= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} u_n \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 + \left\| A_1 \begin{pmatrix} u_n \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 ,\\ &= \int_0^1 (|u'_n|^2 + |v_n|^2 + |v'_n|^2 \\ &+ |u''_n - a \text{sat}(v_n)|^2) dx < M \end{split}$$

From that, we deduce that $\int_0^1 (|v_n|^2 + |v'_n|^2) dx$ and $\int_0^1 (|u'_n|^2 + |u''_n|^2) dx$ are bounded. Thus there exists a subsequence which converges in $H_0^1(0,1) \times L^2(0,1)$.



Using the dissipativity of A_1 , and previous lemma the trajectory $\begin{pmatrix} z(.,t) \\ z_{+}(.,t) \end{pmatrix}$ is precompact in $H_0^1(0,1) \times L^2(0,1)$. Moreover the ω -limit set $\omega \left[\begin{pmatrix} z(.,0) \\ z_t(.,0) \end{pmatrix} \right] \subset D(A_1)$, is not empty and invariant with respect to the nonlinear semigroup T(t) (see [Slemrod; 1989]). We now use LaSalle's invariance principle to show that $\omega \left| \begin{pmatrix} z(.,0) \\ z_t(.,0) \end{pmatrix} \right| = \{0\}.$ Therefore the convergence property holds.

Remark: Boundary control



1D wave equation with a boundary control. Dynamics: $\forall x \in (0, 1), t \ge 0$,

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In the same work, stability proof using the sector condition $+\ {\rm strict}\ {\rm Lyapunov}\ {\rm function}.$

• Wave equation and saturated boundary control

2 – Strict Lyapunov function

For the wave equation+ saturated in-domain control, a non-strict Lyapunov function has been computed. Thus:

- No robustness margin. What happens in presence of noise?
- For linear PDE, we have exponential convergence (see Proposition on Slide 10).

Do we have exp. stability for the nonlinear PDE?

Let us start with the abstract control system

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt}z = Az + Bu, \\ z(0) = z_0, \end{cases}$$
(10)

where $A: D(A) \subset H \to H$ be a linear operator whose domain D(A) is dense in H. Assume it generates a strongly continuous semigroup of contractions denoted by e^{tA} . Let $B: U \to H$ be a bounded operator. Wave equation with in-domain control applies ! A natural feedback law for (10) is $u = -B^*z$.

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Here the same with $U = L^2(0,1)$: Given $\sigma \in U$, $\operatorname{sat}_U(\sigma)$ is the function defined by $\operatorname{sat}_U(\sigma) = \begin{cases} \sigma & \text{if } \|\sigma\|_U < 1 \\ \frac{\sigma}{\|\sigma\|_U} & \text{else} \end{cases}$

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using sat $_{U}$ Lipchitz, Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and the fact that B^{\star} is bounded.

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Moreover using $||d||_U ||z||_H \leq \varepsilon ||d||_U^2 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} ||z||_H^2$ and $||B^*z - \operatorname{sat}_U(B^*z)||_U \leq \langle \operatorname{sat}_U(B^*z), B^*z \rangle_U$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}V_1(z) \leq &-\left(C - \frac{\|B^*\|_{\mathcal{L}(H,U)}^2 \|P\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)}^2}{\varepsilon_1}\right) \|z\|_{H}^2 \\ &+ 2\|B^*\|_{\mathcal{L}(H,U)} \|P\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} \|z\|_{H} \langle \operatorname{sat}_U(B^*z), B^*z \rangle_U \\ &+ k^2 \varepsilon_1 \|d\|_U^2 \end{aligned}$$

where ε_1 is a positive value that will be selected later.

Thus

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3 – Numerical simulations

Consider again the wave equation (with S. Tarbouriech and JM Gomes da Silva; 16):

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with $z^0(x) = \sin(2\pi x)$ and $z^1(x) = 0$, for all $x \in [0, 1]$.

With the damping a = 0.1 and the level of the saturation $u_0 = 5$:





Figure: Time evolution of solution to nonlinear PDE with $u_0 = 5$.

Figure: Time evolution of the saturating input with $u_0 = 5$.

Let us now select a lower saturation level: $u_0 = 1$. It takes a longer time to converge, but still converging!





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Bonus – Wave equation with a boundary control



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Theorem 3

 $\forall b > 0$, for all (z^0, z^1) in $\{(u, v), (u, v) \in H^2(0, 1) \times H^1_{(0)}(0, 1), u_x(1) + \operatorname{sat}(bv(1)) = 0, u(0) = 0\}$, the solution to (16) with the boundary conditions (20) and the initial condition (5) satisfies the following stability property, $\forall t \ge 0$,

$$\|z(.,t)\|_{H^1_{(0)}(0,1)} + \|z_t(.,t)\|_{L^2(0,1)} \le \|z^0\|_{H^1_{(0)}(0,1)} + \|z^1\|_{L^2(0,1)}$$

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Lemma (semi-global exponential stability)

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$$\|z^{0\prime\prime}\|_{L^{2}(0,1)}^{2}+\|z^{1}\|_{H^{1}_{(0)}(0,1)}^{2}\leq r^{2}, \qquad (21)$$

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it holds

$$\dot{V}_2 \leq -\mu V_2$$

along the solutions to (16) with the boundary conditions (20).

Sketch of the proof of this lemma

First note that by dissipativity of A_2 , it holds that

$$t\mapsto \left\|A_2\left(\begin{array}{c}z(.,t)\\z_t(.,t)\end{array}\right)\right\|$$

is a non-increasing function. Thus, for all $t \ge 0$,

$$|z_t(1,t)| \leq \left\| A_2 \left(\begin{array}{c} z(.,0) \\ z_t(.,0) \end{array} \right) \right\| . \tag{22}$$

Now for all initial conditions satisfying (21), there exists $c \neq b$ such that, for all $t \geq 0$,

$$(b-c)|z_t(1,t)| \leq 1$$

and thus the following local sector condition holds:

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