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- Inequality $\mathcal{F}(x) + F_0 \succeq 0$ is an LMI
- $F \succeq 0$ means F is positive semidefinite, that is $u^T F u \geq 0$ for all vectors u
- LMIs are nonlinear, but *convex* constraints:
If $F(x) \succeq 0$ and $F(y) \succeq 0$, then

$$F(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) = \lambda F(x) + (1 - \lambda)F(y) \succeq 0 \text{ for all } \lambda \in [0, 1]$$

- Can have linear equality constraints on x

SDP vs. LP

SDP

minimize $\langle c, x \rangle$
subject to $\mathcal{F}(x) + F_0 \succeq 0$

LP

minimize $\langle c, x \rangle$
subject to $\langle a_i, x \rangle \leq b_i, i = 1, \dots, N$

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$\mathcal{F}^{\text{adj}}(\cdot)$ denotes adjoint map, i.e., $\forall x \in \mathcal{V}$, $Z \in \mathcal{S}$, $\langle \mathcal{F}(x), Z \rangle_{\mathcal{S}} = \langle x, \mathcal{F}^{\text{adj}}(Z) \rangle_{\mathcal{V}}$

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- Variants available for nonstrict inequalities such as $\mathcal{F}(x) + F_0 \not\prec 0$ and $\mathcal{F}(x) + F_0 \succeq 0$, and with additional linear equality constraints $\mathcal{G}(x) = 0$
- Typically get *weak* alternatives, need additional conditions (constraint qualifications) to make them strong

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This, and similar inequalities ubiquitous in:

- Robust control
- Digital filter design
- Linear system analysis and design

Kalman-Yakubovich-Popov Lemma

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- Semi-infinite frequency domain inequality is exactly equivalent to LMI (no sampling)
- P serves as an auxiliary variable
- Of enormous importance for computation

Proof of KYP Lemma

Suppose LMI

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is feasible

Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\succ \begin{bmatrix} (j\omega I - A)^{-1}B \\ I \end{bmatrix}^* \begin{bmatrix} A^*P + PA - C^TC & PB \\ B^*P & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} (j\omega I - A)^{-1}B \\ I \end{bmatrix} \\ &= I - H(j\omega)^*H(j\omega) \end{aligned}$$

Proof of KYP Lemma: Converse

Proof: Using theorem of alternatives, infeasibility of LMI in P equivalent to

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{12}^* & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \not\preceq 0, \\ Z_{11}A^* + AZ_{11} + Z_{12}B^* + BZ_{12}^* = 0, \quad \mathbf{Tr}(Z_{22} - CZ_{11}C^T) \leq 0$$

Factor

$$\begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{12}^* & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U \\ V \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U^* & V^* \end{bmatrix}$$

with U full rank. Then,

$$AUU^* + BVU^* = USU^*, \quad \mathbf{Tr}(V^*V - U^*C^T CU) \leq 0$$

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$$AUq_i + BVq_i = j\omega_i Uq_i$$

Thus

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- Usual proof of KYP Lemma based on optimal control theory
- This proof based only on SDP duality (no system theory)

Other results

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- “ $P \succ 0, A^*P + PA \prec 0$ ” is infeasible iff $\lambda_i(A) \geq 0$ for some i
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- “ $A^*P + PA \preceq 0, P \not\preceq 0$ ” is infeasible iff $\lambda_i(A) \geq 0$ for all i
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SDP duality

Rewrite SDP as

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- If Z is dual feasible, then $-\langle F_0, Z \rangle \leq p^*$
- If x is primal feasible, then $\langle c, x \rangle \geq d^*$
- Under mild conditions, $p^* = d^*$
- At optimum, $S_{\text{opt}} Z_{\text{opt}} = 0$

Application of duality: Bounds on H_∞ norm

Stable LTI system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu, \quad x(0) = 0, \quad y = Cx$$

- Transfer function $H(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B$
- H_∞ norm of H defined as

$$\|H\|_\infty = \sup_{\Re s > 0} \sigma_{\max}(H(s))$$

- $\|H\|_\infty^2$ equals maximum energy gain

$$\|H\|_\infty^2 = \max_u \frac{\int y^T y}{\int u^T u}$$

$\|H\|_\infty$ computation as an SDP

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize:} & \beta \\ \text{subject to:} & \begin{bmatrix} A^*P + PA + C^*C & PB \\ B^*P & -\beta I \end{bmatrix} \preceq 0 \end{array}$$

$$(\|H\|_\infty^2 = \beta_{\text{opt}})$$

Dual problem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{maximize:} & \mathbf{Tr}CZ_{11}C^* \\ \text{subject to:} & Z_{11}A^* + AZ_{11} + Z_{12}B^* + BZ_{12}^* = 0, \\ & \begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{12}^* & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0, \quad \mathbf{Tr}Z_{22} = 1 \end{array}$$

New upper bounds on $\|H\|_\infty$

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A primal feasible point is

$$P = 2W_o, \quad \beta = 4\lambda_{\max}(W_oBB^*W_o, C^*C)$$

where W_o is observability Gramian, obtained by solving $W_oA + A^*W_o + C^*C = 0$

Thus, new upper bound on $\|H\|_\infty$ is given by

$$2\sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(W_oBB^*W_o, C^*C)}$$

New lower bounds on $\|H\|_\infty$

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$$Z_{11} = W_c/\alpha, \quad Z_{12} = B/(2\alpha), \quad Z_{22} = B^*W_c^{-1}B/(4\alpha),$$

where $\alpha = \mathbf{Tr}(B^*W_c^{-1}B/4)$

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$$2\sqrt{\mathbf{Tr}CW_cC^*/(\mathbf{Tr}B^*W_c^{-1}B)}$$

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- At every iteration, we have upper and lower bounds, thus guaranteed accuracy
- Early termination possible
- Other advantages at algorithmic level

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(More general case, with infeasible starting points, essentially the same)

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Solution strategy:

- First, eliminate ΔS from the linear equations
- Next eliminate ΔZ
- Solve a dense linear system in variable Δx
- Reconstruct ΔZ and ΔS
- $S + \Delta S \succeq 0, Z + \Delta Z \succeq 0$ ensured using line search

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KYP SDPs

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$$\text{minimize } c^T x + \mathbf{Tr}(CP)$$

$$\text{subject to } \begin{bmatrix} A^T P + PA & PB \\ B^T P & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{i=1}^p x_i M_i \succeq N$$

where $c \in \mathbf{R}^p$, $C \in \mathbf{S}^n$, $A \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$, $B \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times 1}$, $M_i \in \mathbf{S}^{n+1}$, $N \in \mathbf{S}^{n+1}$

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(Extension to multiple LMIs in multiple variables straightforward)

$$\text{minimize } c^T x + \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{Tr}(C_k P_k)$$

$$\text{subject to } \begin{bmatrix} A_k^T P_k + P_k A_k & P_k B_k \\ B_k^T P_k & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{i=1}^p x_i M_{ki} \succeq N_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$$

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Define

$$\mathcal{K}(P) = \begin{bmatrix} A^T P + PA & PB \\ B^T P & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{M}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^p x_i M_i$$

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where, partitioning

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & \tilde{z} \\ \tilde{z}^T & 2z_{n+1} \end{bmatrix},$$

and with $z = [\tilde{z}^T, z_{n+1}]^T$,

$$\mathcal{K}^{\text{adj}}(Z) = AZ_{11} + Z_{11}A^T + \tilde{z}B^T + B\tilde{z}^T, \quad \mathcal{M}^{\text{adj}}(Z) = \{\mathbf{Tr}M_i Z\}$$

Search equations for KYP SDPs

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A dense set of linear equations in ΔP , Δx

Cost: At least $O(n^6)$ (assuming $p = O(n)$). Prohibitive, as KYP SDPs tend to be of very large scale

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Substituting in first and third equations gives

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Use to eliminate ΔP :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{\text{adj}}(W\mathcal{L}(\tilde{\Delta}z)W) + \mathcal{L}^{\text{adj}}(\mathcal{M}(\Delta x)) &= \mathcal{L}^{\text{adj}}(D) \\ \mathcal{M}^{\text{adj}}(\mathcal{L}(\tilde{\Delta}z)) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$n + p + 1$ linear equations in $n + p + 1$ variables $\tilde{\Delta}z, \Delta x$

Alternative method: Summary

Reduced search equations of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} \\ P_{12}^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\Delta}z \\ \Delta x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Cost of solving is $O(n^3)$ operations (if we assume $p = O(n)$)
- From $\tilde{\Delta}z, \Delta x$, can find $\Delta Z, \Delta P$ in $O(n^3)$ operations
- Need to pre-compute X_i s ($O(n^4)$)
- P_{12} is independent of current iterates and can be pre-computed, in $O(n^4)$
- Constructing P_{11} requires constructing terms such as $\text{Tr}(X_i W_{11} X_j W_{11})$ and $W_{11} X_i W_{12}$ (also $O(n^4)$)
- **Overall cost dominated by $O(n^4)$**

Numerical example

$n = p$	KYP IPM		SeDuMi (primal)
	prep. time	time/iter.	time/iter.
25	0.1	0.04	0.3
50	1.1	0.3	8.1
100	21.4	3.3	307.1
200	390.7	30.9	

- CPU time in seconds on 2.4GHz PIV with 1GB of memory
- KYP-IPM: Matlab implementation of alternative method
- SeDuMi (primal): SeDuMi version 1.05 applied to primal problem
- Prep. time is time to compute matrices X_i
- #iterations in both methods is comparable (7–15)

Further reduction in computation

Use factorization of A to compute terms such as $\text{Tr}(X_i W_{11} X_j W_{11})$ without computing X_i , i.e., without explicitly solving

$$AX_i + X_i A^T + B e_i^T + e_i B^T = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

- Advantages: no need to store matrices X_i , faster construction of reduced search equations
- Possible factorizations: eigenvalue decomposition, companion form, ...
- For example, if A has distinct eigenvalues $A = V \mathbf{diag}(\lambda) V^{-1}$, easy to write down search equations in $O(n^3)$, in terms of V and λ

Existence of distinct stable eigenvalues

- If (A, B) is controllable, can arbitrarily assign eigenvalues of $A + BK$ by choosing K

- Choose $T = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ K & I \end{bmatrix}$, and replace LMI by equivalent LMI

$$T^T \left(\begin{bmatrix} A^T P + PA & PB \\ B^T P & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i M_i \right) T \succeq T^T N T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (A + BK)^T P + P(A + BK) & PB \\ B^T P & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i (T^T M_i T) \succeq T^T N T$$

Conclusion: Can assume without loss of generality that A is stable with distinct eigenvalues

Numerical example

Five randomly generated problems with $p = 50$, $n = 100, \dots, 500$

n	KYP IPM (fast)		KYP IPM		SeDuMi (primal)	
	prep. time	time/iter	prep. time	time/iter	prep. time	time/iter
100	1.0	0.6	21.4	3.3	0	324.7
200	8.3	4.7	390.7	30.9		
300	28.1	16.7				
400	62.3	36.2				
500	122.0	70.3				

- KYP-IPM (fast) uses eigenvalue decomposition of A to construct reduced search equations
- Preprocessing time and time/iteration grow as $O(n^3)$

Conclusions

SDP duality theory has implications for:

- System theory: New proofs, results
- Fast implementation of interior-point methods (cost $O(n^4)$ or $O(n^3)$, as compared to $O(n^6)$ with standard methods)