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0.1 Problem 1

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

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ECE 719 – Homework Hyperplane

Given a continuously differentiable convex function J and any pair of points u^1, u^2 in \mathbf{R}^n , prove that the inequality

$$J(u^2) \geq J(u^1) + [\nabla J(u^1)]^T (u^2 - u^1)$$

must hold.

SOLUTION

Since $J(u)$ is a convex function $J : \mathfrak{R}^n \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$, then by definition of convex functions we write

$$J((1 - \lambda)u^1 + \lambda u^2) \leq (1 - \lambda)J(u^1) + \lambda J(u^2)$$

Where $\lambda \in (0, 1)$. Rewriting the above as follows

$$\begin{aligned} J(u^1 + \lambda(u^2 - u^1)) &\leq J(u^1) - \lambda J(u^1) + \lambda J(u^2) \\ J(u^1 + \lambda(u^2 - u^1)) - J(u^1) &\leq \lambda (J(u^2) - J(u^1)) \end{aligned}$$

Dividing both sides by $\lambda \neq 0$ gives

$$\frac{J(u^1 + \lambda(u^2 - u^1)) - J(u^1)}{\lambda} \leq J(u^2) - J(u^1)$$

Taking the limit $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ results in

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{J(u^1 + \lambda(u^2 - u^1)) - J(u^1)}{\lambda} \leq \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} J(u^2) - J(u^1)$$

But $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{J(u^1 + \lambda(u^2 - u^1)) - J(u^1)}{\lambda} = \left. \frac{\partial J(u)}{\partial (u^2 - u^1)} \right|_{u^1} = [\nabla J(u^1)]^T (u^2 - u^1)$ (appendix below shows how this came about). Therefore the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} [\nabla J(u^1)]^T (u^2 - u^1) &\leq J(u^2) - J(u^1) \\ J(u^2) &\geq J(u^1) + [\nabla J(u^1)]^T (u^2 - u^1) \end{aligned}$$

QED.

0.1.1 Appendix

More details are given here on why

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{J(u^1 + \lambda(u^2 - u^1)) - J(u^1)}{\lambda} = [\nabla J(u^1)]^T (u^2 - u^1)$$

Let $u^2 - u^1 = d$. This is a directional vector, its tail starts at u^1 going to tip of u^2 point.

Evaluating $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{J(u^1 + \lambda d) - J(u^1)}{\lambda}$ is the same as saying

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{\partial J(u)}{\partial d} \right|_{u^1} &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{J(u^1 + \lambda d) - J(u^1)}{\lambda} \\ &= \left. \frac{d}{d\lambda} J(u^1 + \lambda d) \right|_{\lambda=0} \end{aligned}$$

Using the chain rule gives

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{d}{d\lambda} J(u^1 + \lambda d) \right|_{\lambda=0} &= [\nabla J(u^1 + \lambda d)]^T \left. \frac{d}{d\lambda} (u^1 + \lambda d) \right|_{\lambda=0} \\ &= [\nabla J(u^1 + \lambda d)]^T d \Big|_{\lambda=0} \\ &= [\nabla J(u^1)]^T d \end{aligned}$$

Replacing $\mathbf{u}^2 - \mathbf{u}^1 = \mathbf{d}$, the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{J(\mathbf{u}^1 + \lambda(\mathbf{u}^2 - \mathbf{u}^1)) - J(\mathbf{u}^1)}{\lambda} &= \left. \frac{\partial J(\mathbf{u})}{\partial(\mathbf{u}^2 - \mathbf{u}^1)} \right|_{\mathbf{u}^1} \\ &= [\nabla J(\mathbf{u}^1)]^T (\mathbf{u}^2 - \mathbf{u}^1) \end{aligned}$$

Where $\nabla J(\mathbf{u}^1)$ is the gradient vector of $J(\mathbf{u})$ evaluated at $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}^1$.

0.2 Problem 2

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ECE 717 – Homework Eigenvalue

Let $M(q)$ be an $n \times n$ symmetric matrix with entries $M_{i,j}(q)$ which depend convexly on a vector $q \in \mathbf{R}^n$. Show that the largest eigenvalue of $M(q)$, call it $\lambda_{\max}(q)$, also depends convexly on q .

SOLUTION

Since each $m_{ij}(q)$ is convex function in q , then

$$m_{ij}((1-\alpha)q^1 + \alpha q^2) \leq (1-\alpha)m_{ij}(q^1) + \alpha m_{ij}(q^2) \quad (1)$$

For $\alpha \in [0,1]$. We also know by Rayleigh quotient theorem which applies for symmetric matrices that largest eigenvalue of a symmetric matrix is given by

$$\lambda_{\max} = \max_{x \in \mathcal{R}^n, \|x\|=1} x^T M x$$

Therefore, evaluated at point $q^\alpha = (1-\alpha)q^1 + \alpha q^2$, the above become

$$\lambda_{\max}((1-\alpha)q^1 + \alpha q^2) = \max_{\|x\|=1} \sum_{i,j} m_{ij}((1-\alpha)q^1 + \alpha q^2) x_i x_j \quad (2)$$

Applying (1) in RHS (2) changes = to \leq giving

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{\max}((1-\alpha)q^1 + \alpha q^2) &\leq \max_{\|x\|=1} \sum_{i,j} ((1-\alpha)m_{ij}(q^1) + \alpha m_{ij}(q^2)) x_i x_j \\ &= \max_{\|x\|=1} \left(\sum_{i,j} (1-\alpha)m_{ij}(q^1) x_i x_j + \sum_{i,j} \alpha m_{ij}(q^2) x_i x_j \right) \\ &= (1-\alpha) \left(\max_{\|x\|=1} \sum_{i,j} m_{ij}(q^1) x_i x_j \right) + \alpha \left(\max_{\|x\|=1} \sum_{i,j} m_{ij}(q^2) x_i x_j \right) \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\max_{\|x\|=1} \sum_{i,j} m_{ij}(q^1) x_i x_j = \lambda_{\max}(q^1)$$

And

$$\max_{\|x\|=1} \sum_{i,j} m_{ij}(q^2) x_i x_j = \lambda_{\max}(q^2)$$

Then (3) becomes

$$\lambda_{\max}((1-\alpha)q^1 + \alpha q^2) \leq (1-\alpha)\lambda_{\max}(q^1) + \alpha\lambda_{\max}(q^2)$$

This is the definition of convex function, therefore λ_{\max} is a convex function in q .

Note: I tried also to reduce this to a problem where I could argue that the pointwise maximum of convex functions is also a convex function to solve it. I could not get a clear way to do this, so I solved it as above. I hope I did not violate the cardinal rule by using $\lambda_{\max} = \max_{x \in \mathcal{R}^n, \|x\|=1} x^T M x$.

0.3 Problem 3

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

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ECE 717 – Homework Polytope

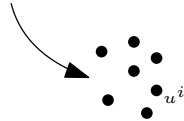
Let U be a polytope in \mathbf{R}^n with generators u^1, u^2, \dots, u^m . We often describe U by writing

$$U = \text{conv}\{u^1, u^2, \dots, u^m\}$$

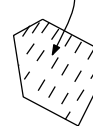
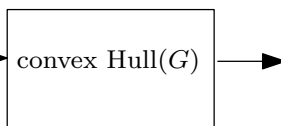
and say the U is the *convex hull* of the u^i . Show that U is compact.

SOLUTION

set G that contains the generator elements $\{u^1, u^2, \dots, u^m\}$



This is the convex hull of G , which is the set $U = \text{conv}(G)$ that contains all points generated by convex combinations of the generator points



We need to show U is compact

To show U is bounded, a proof by induction is used. From the definition of constructing U

$$U = \left\{ x \in \mathbf{R}^n : x = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i u^i \right\}$$

Where $\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i = 1$ and $\lambda_i \geq 0$.

For $m = 1$, $x = \lambda u^1$. So U contains just one element u^1 . Since $\lambda = 1$ and u^1 is given and bounded, then this is closed and bounded set with one element. Hence compact. Now we assume U is compact for $m = k - 1$ and we need to show it is compact for $m = k$. In other words, we assume that each $x^* \in U$ generated using

$$x^* = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \lambda_i u^i$$

Is such that $\|x^*\| < \infty$ and $x^* \in U$. Now we need to show that U is bounded when generator contains k elements. Now

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i u^i \\ &= \lambda_1 u^1 + \lambda_2 u^2 + \dots + \lambda_{k-1} u^{k-1} + \lambda_k u^k \end{aligned}$$

Multiply and divide by $(1 - \lambda_k)$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= (1 - \lambda_k) \left(\frac{\lambda_1 u^1}{(1 - \lambda_k)} + \frac{\lambda_2}{(1 - \lambda_k)} u^2 + \dots + \frac{\lambda_{k-1} u^{k-1}}{(1 - \lambda_k)} + \frac{\lambda_k}{(1 - \lambda_k)} u^k \right) \\ &= (1 - \lambda_k) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda_i}{(1 - \lambda_k)} u^i + \frac{\lambda_k}{(1 - \lambda_k)} u^k \right) \\ &= (1 - \lambda_k) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda_i}{(1 - \lambda_k)} u^i \right) + \lambda_k u^k \end{aligned}$$

But $\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda_i}{(1 - \lambda_k)} u^i = x^*$ which we assumed in U . Hence the above becomes

$$x = (1 - \lambda_k) x^* + \lambda_k u^k$$

Since u^k is element in the generator set G and it is in U by definition, then the above is convex combination of two elements in U . Hence x is also in U (it is on a line between x^* and u^k , both in U). Therefore U is closed and bounded for any m in the generator set. Hence U is compact.

0.4 Problem 4

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

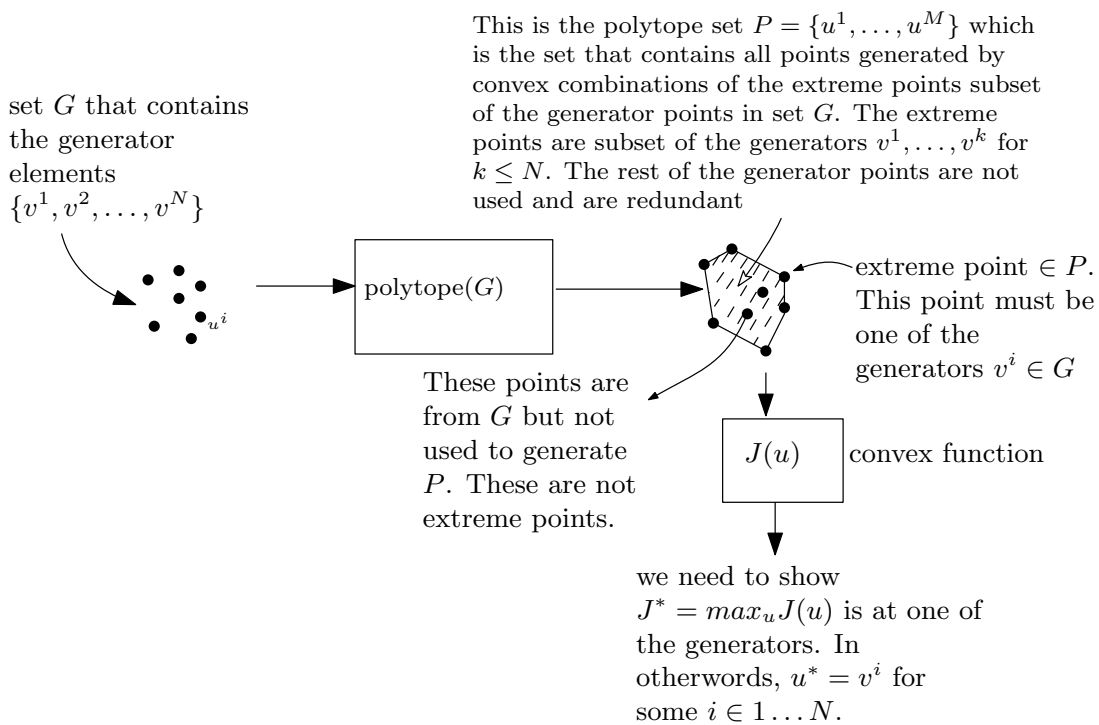
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ECE 717 – Homework Maximum

Let P be a polytope in \mathbf{R}^n with generators v^1, v^2, \dots, v^N and assume $J(u)$ is convex. Prove that the maximum of J subject to $u \in P$ is attained at one of the generators.

Note: this type of result does not hold for the minimum as evidenced by the simple example $J(u) = u^2$ on $[-1, 1]$.

SOLUTION



The extreme points of P are subset of G . They are the points used to generate P . The set P is compact (by problem 3) and convex set (by construction, since it is convex combinations of its extreme points). If we can show that J^* is at an extreme point of P , then we are done, since an extreme point of P is in G .

Let $u^* \in P$ be the point where $J(u)$ is maximum. u^* is a convex combinations of all extreme points of P , (these are also subset from G but they can be the whole set G also if there were no redundant generators), Therefore

$$u^* = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i v^i$$

where $k \leq N$ and $v^i \in G$. If it happens that all points in G are extreme points of P , then $k = N$. Therefore

$$J^* = J(u^*) = J\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i v^i\right)$$

Where $\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i = 1$ and $\lambda_i \geq 0$. But J is convex function (given). Hence by definition of convex function

$$J^* = J\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i v^i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i J(v^i) \quad (1)$$

The above is generalization of $J((1-\lambda)u^1 + \lambda u^2) \leq (1-\lambda)J(u^1) + \lambda J(u^2)$ applied to convex mixtures. Now we look at $J(v^i)$ term in the above. We pick the maximum of J over all v^i . There must be a point in G where $J(v)$ is largest. We call this value J_G^* . This is the value of

J where it attains its maximum over generator elements $v^i : i = 1 \dots k$. Eq (1) becomes

$$J^* \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i J_G^*$$

Where we replaced $J(v^i)$ by one value, the maximum J_G^* . But J_G^* does not depend on i now, and can take it outside the sum

$$J^* \leq J_G^* \left(\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \right)$$

But $\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i = 1$ by definition. Therefore the above becomes

$$J^* \leq J_G^*$$

We now see that the maximum of $J(u)$ over P is smaller (or equal) than the maximum of $J(u)$ over the generator set G . Hence a maximum occurs at one of the extreme points v^i , since these are by definition taken from G . which is what we are asked to show.

0.5 Problem 5

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

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ECE 717 – Homework Optimal Gain

In this homework problem, we consider a modification of the optimal gain scenario defined in class. Now, the performance index includes weighting not only on the state $x(t)$ but also on the on the control $u(t)$. That is, we consider

$$J = \int_0^\infty x^T(t)x(t) + \lambda u^T(t)u(t)dt$$

where $\lambda > 0$ is a given weighting factor.

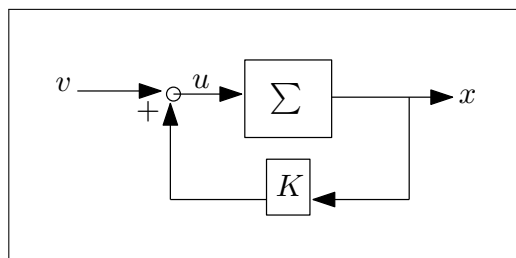
(a) Generalizing upon the approach taken in class, find an expression for the performance $J(K)$ and the associated Lyapunov function which must be satisfied.

(b) Now, using the result from Part (a), we revisit the double integrator problem from class with weighting $\lambda = 1$, initial condition given by $x_1(0) = 1, x_2(0) = 0$ and feedback $K = [k_1 \ k_2]$ to be found by optimization. Assuming the two feedback gains are equal (that is, $k_1 = k_2 = k$), find the optimum $k = k^*$, the associated cost J^* and verify that your controller stabilizes the system.

(c) Consider the scenario in Part (b) with the following change: Instead of taking initial condition $x(0)$ as given, assume that each of its components $x_1(0)$ and $x_2(0)$ are independent random variables which are uniformly distributed over $[-1, 1]$. Now find the optimal gain $k = k^*$ minimizing $J(K)$ and the associated optimal cost J^* .

SOLUTION

0.5.1 Part (a)



Let us look at the closed loop. Let $v = 0$ and we have, since $u(t) = kx(t)$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax + Bkx \\ &= (A + Bk)x \\ &= A_c x\end{aligned}$$

Where A_c is the closed loop system matrix. Since $J(k) = \int_0^\infty x^T(t)x(t) + \lambda u^T(t)u(t) dt$, where $u(t) = kx(t)$, then

$$\begin{aligned}J(k) &= \int_0^\infty x^T x + \lambda (kx)^T (kx) dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty x^T x + \lambda x^T (k^T k) x dt\end{aligned}$$

Let us find a matrix P , if possible such that

$$d(x^T P x) = -(x^T x + \lambda x^T (k^T k) x)$$

Can we find P ? Since

$$d(x^T P x) = x^T P \dot{x} + \dot{x}^T P x$$

Then we need to solve

$$\begin{aligned}x^T P \dot{x} + \dot{x}^T P x &= -(x^T x + \lambda x^T (k^T k) x) \\ x^T P (A_c x) + (A_c x)^T P x &= -(x^T x + \lambda x^T (k^T k) x) \\ x^T P (A_c x) + (x^T A_c^T) P x &= -(x^T x + \lambda x^T (k^T k) x)\end{aligned}$$

Bring all the x to LHS then

$$\begin{aligned}x^T x + \lambda x^T (k^T k) x + x^T P (A_c x) + (x^T A_c^T) P x &= 0 \\ \lambda (k^T k) + P A_c + A_c^T P &= -I\end{aligned}$$

Hence the Lyapunov equation to solve for P is

$$\boxed{\lambda (k^T k) + P A_c + A_c^T P = -I}$$

Where I is the identity matrix. This is the equation to determine matrix P . Without loss of generality, we insist on P being symmetric matrix. Using this P , now we write

$$\begin{aligned}J(k) &= \int_0^\infty x^T x + \lambda (kx)^T (kx) dt \\ &= - \int_0^\infty d(x^T P x) \\ &= x^T P x \Big|_0^\infty \\ &= x^T(0) P x(0) - x^T(\infty) P x(\infty)\end{aligned}$$

For stable system, $x(\infty) \rightarrow 0$ (since we set $v = 0$, there is no external input, hence if the system is stable, it must end up in zero state eventually). In part (b) we check for k range so that the roots are in the left hand side. Therefore

$$J(k) = x^T(0) P(k) x(0)$$

With $P(k)$ satisfying solution of Lyapunov equation found above.

0.5.2 Part(b)

For $k = [k_1 \quad k_2]$, $x(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and system $y'' = u$. Hence $x'_1 = x_2, x'_2 = u$. Since

$$u = [k_1 \quad k_2] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The system $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$ becomes

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= Ax + Bu \\ &= Ax + Bkx \\ &= (A + Bk)x \\ \begin{bmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \end{bmatrix} &= \left(\overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}^A + \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}^B \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix}}^k \right) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix}}^{A_c} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

For stable system, we need $k_1, k_2 < 0$ from looking at the roots of the characteristic equation. Now we solve the Lyapunov equation.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda (k^T k) + P A_c + A_c^T P &= -I \\ \lambda \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \lambda \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & k_1 \\ 1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \lambda \begin{bmatrix} k_1^2 & k_1 k_2 \\ k_1 k_2 & k_2^2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 p_{12} & p_{11} + k_2 p_{12} \\ k_1 p_{22} & p_{21} + k_2 p_{22} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 p_{21} & k_1 p_{22} \\ p_{11} + k_2 p_{21} & p_{12} + k_2 p_{22} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} k_1 (p_{12} + p_{21} + \lambda k_1) & p_{11} + k_1 p_{22} + k_2 p_{12} + \lambda k_1 k_2 \\ p_{11} + k_1 p_{22} + k_2 p_{21} + \lambda k_1 k_2 & \lambda k_2^2 + 2 p_{22} k_2 + p_{12} + p_{21} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have 4 equations to solve for $p_{11}, p_{12}, p_{21}, p_{22}$. (but we know also that $p_{12} = p_{21}$). Now let $\lambda = 1$ per the problem, and we obtain the four equations from above as

$$\begin{aligned} k_1^2 + k_1 p_{12} + k_1 p_{21} &= -1 \\ p_{11} + k_1 k_2 + k_1 p_{22} + k_2 p_{12} &= 0 \\ p_{11} + k_1 k_2 + k_1 p_{22} + k_2 p_{21} &= 0 \\ k_2^2 + 2 p_{22} k_2 + p_{12} + p_{21} &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Solution is (Using Matlab syms).

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1 clear;
2 syms k1 k2 p11 p12 p21 p22;
3 k = [k1,k2];
4 A = [0,1;0,0];
5 B = [0;1];
6 Ac = A+B*k;
7 P = [p11 p12;p21 p22];
8 lam = 1;
9 eq = lam*(k.')*k + (Ac.')*P + P*Ac == -eye(2);
10 sol = solve(eq,{p11,p12,p21,p22});
11 P = simplify(subs(P,sol))
12 x0 = [1;0];
13 J1 = simplify(x0'*P*x0)

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Gives

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \\ & \begin{bmatrix} -(k_1^3 - k_1^2 + k_1 - k_2^2)/(2*k_1*k_2), & -(k_1^2 + 1)/(2*k_1) \\ -(k_1^2 + 1)/(2*k_1), & -(-k_1^2 + k_1*k_2^2 + k_1 - 1)/(2*k_1*k_2) \end{bmatrix} \\ J1 &= \\ & -(k_1^3 - k_1^2 + k_1 - k_2^2)/(2*k_1*k_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{k_1 - k_1^2 + k_1^3 - k_2^2}{2k_1k_2} & -\frac{k_1^2 + 1}{2k_1} \\ -\frac{k_1^2 + 1}{2k_1} & -\frac{k_1 + k_1k_2^2 - k_1^2 - 1}{2k_1k_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} J(k) &= x^T(0) P(k) x(0) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{k_1 - k_1^2 + k_1^3 - k_2^2}{2k_1k_2} & -\frac{k_1^2 + 1}{2k_1} \\ -\frac{k_1^2 + 1}{2k_1} & -\frac{k_1 + k_1k_2^2 - k_1^2 - 1}{2k_1k_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$J(k) = -\frac{1}{2k_1k_2} (k_1^3 - k_1^2 + k_1 - k_2^2)$$

For $k_1 = k_2 = k$, the above becomes

$$\begin{aligned} J(k) &= -\frac{(k^3 - 2k^2 + k)}{2k^2} \\ &= -\frac{(k^2 - 2k + 1)}{2k} \end{aligned}$$

Or

$$J(k) = -\frac{1}{2k} (k - 1)^2$$

Now we find the optimal J^* . Since

$$\frac{dJ(k)}{dk} = \frac{(k-1)^2}{2k^2} - \frac{(2k-2)}{2k}$$

Then $\frac{dJ(k)}{dk} = 0$ gives

$$k = 1, -1$$

Since k must be negative for stable system, we pick

$$k^* = -1$$

And

$$\frac{d^2J(k)}{dk^2} = \frac{(k-1)^2}{k^3} - \frac{2(1-k)}{k^2} - \frac{1}{k}$$

At $k^* = -1$

$$\frac{d^2J(k)}{dk^2} = 1 > 0$$

Hence this is a minimum. Therefore

$$J^* = -\frac{1}{2k} (k-1)^2 \Big|_{k=-1}$$

Hence

$$J^* = 2$$

J^* do not get to zero. (same as in the class problem we did without $\lambda u^T u$ term. I thought we will get $J^* = 0$ now since this I thought it was the reason for using $\lambda u^T u$. I hope I did not make mistake, but do not see where if I did. Below is a plot of $J(k)$).

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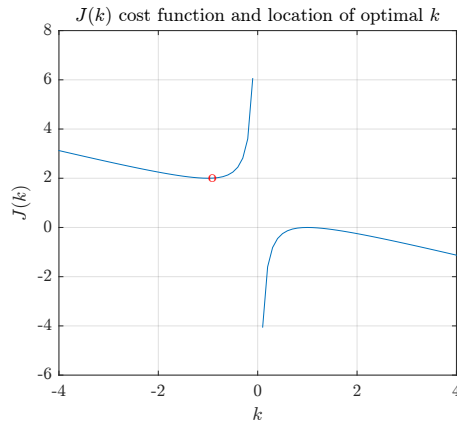
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2 close all;
3 reset(0);
4 set(groot, 'defaulttextinterpreter', 'Latex');
5 set(groot, 'defaultAxesTickLabelInterpreter', 'Latex');
6 set(groot, 'defaultLegendInterpreter', 'Latex');
7 f=@(k) (-1./(2*k)).*(k-1).^2;
8 k=-4:.1:4;
9 plot(k,f(k));
10 text(-1,f(-1),'o','color','red');
11 title('$J(k)$ cost function and location of optimal $k$');

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12 xlabel('$k$'); ylabel('$J(k)$');
13 grid;

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At $k = 1$ then $J(1) = 0$, but we can not use $k = 1$ since this will make the system not stable. The system now using $k^* = -1$ becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

To verify it is stable. Since

$$|(\lambda I - A_c)| = \lambda^2 + \lambda + 1$$

The roots are

$$-\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2}i\sqrt{3}$$

Hence the system is stable since real part of roots are negative. If we had used $k = 1$, the roots will be $-0.618, 1.618$, and the system would have been unstable.

0.5.3 Part(c)

From last part, we obtained P

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{k_1 - k_1^2 + k_1^3 - k_2^2}{2k_1 k_2} & -\frac{k_1^2 + 1}{2k_1} \\ -\frac{k_1^2 + 1}{2k_1} & -\frac{k_1 + k_1 k_2^2 - k_1^2 - 1}{2k_1 k_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

When $k_1 = k_2 = k$ the above becomes

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{-k + 2k^2 - k^3}{2k^2} & -\frac{k^2 + 1}{2k} \\ -\frac{k^2 + 1}{2k} & \frac{1 - k - k^3 + k^2}{2k^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now since $x(0)$ is random variable, then

$$\begin{aligned} J(k) &= E(x^T(0) P x(0)) \\ &= E\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) & x_2(0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{-k + 2k^2 - k^3}{2k^2} & -\frac{k^2 + 1}{2k} \\ -\frac{k^2 + 1}{2k} & \frac{1 - k - k^3 + k^2}{2k^2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(0) \\ x_2(0) \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= E\left(-\frac{1}{2k^2} (k^3 x_1^2(0) + 2k^3 x_1(0) x_2(0) + k^3 x_2^2(0) - 2k^2 x_1^2(0) - k^2 x_2^2(0) + k x_1^2(0) + 2k x_1(0) x_2(0) + k x_2^2(0) - x_2^2(0))\right) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Let $E(x_1(0)) = \bar{x}_1$ and $E(x_2(0)) = \bar{x}_2$ Then

$$J(k) = -\frac{1}{2k^2} (k^3 \bar{x}_1^2 + 2k^3 \bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2 + k^3 \bar{x}_2^2 - 2k^2 \bar{x}_1^2 - k^2 \bar{x}_2^2 + k \bar{x}_1^2 + 2k \bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2 + k \bar{x}_2^2 - \bar{x}_2^2)$$

But $E(x_1(0)) = 0$, hence $\bar{x}_1 = 0$ and similarly $\bar{x}_2 = 0$, but $\bar{x}_1^2 = \frac{1}{3}$ since

$$\int_{-1}^1 x^2 p(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} \right)_{-1}^1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

Similarly $\bar{x}_2^2 = \frac{1}{3}$ and $\bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2 = 0$ (since i.i.d, then $E(x_1(0)x_2(0)) = E(x_1(0))E(x_2(0)) = 0$). Using these values of expectations, Eq (1) becomes

$$J(k) = -\frac{1}{2k^2} \left(k^3 \frac{1}{3} + k^3 \frac{1}{3} - 2k^2 \frac{1}{3} - k^2 \frac{1}{3} + k \frac{1}{3} + k \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

Or

$$J(k) = \frac{-2k^3 + 3k^2 - 2k + 1}{6k^2} \quad (2)$$

To find the optimal:

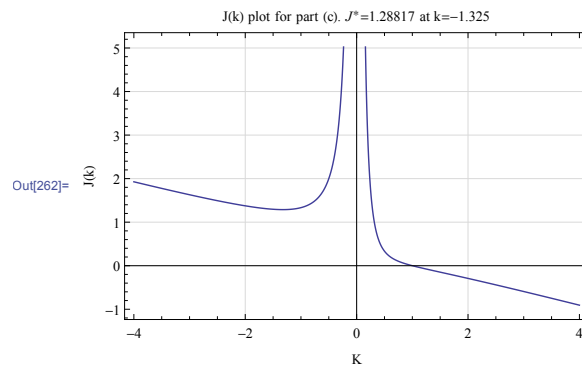
$$\frac{dJ(k)}{dk} = -\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3k^3} + \frac{1}{3k^2}$$

$\frac{dJ(k)}{dk} = 0$ gives 3 roots. The only one which is real and negative (the other two are complex) is

$$k^* = -1.325$$

At this k^* , we check $\frac{d^2J(k)}{dk^2}$ and find it is $0.611 > 0$, hence J is minimum at k^* . The value J^* at k^* is found to be from substituting k^* in (2)

$$J^* = 1.28817$$



We now check if the system is stable. (it should be, since $k^* < 1$). The system now is

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ k_1 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1.325 & -1.325 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$|(\lambda I - A_c)| = \lambda^2 + 1.325\lambda + 1.325$$

The roots are

$$-0.6625 \pm i0.941$$

The system is stable since real part of roots are negative. The following is the step response for system in part(b) and part(c) to compare.

```

1 %show step responses
2 close all;
3 figure();
4 close all
5 A = [0 1;-1 -1];
6 B = [1;0]
7 sys = ss(A,B,[1 0],[0])
8 step(sys)
9 hold on;
10
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11 A = [0 1;-1.325 -1.325];
12 B = [1;0]
13 sys = ss(A,B,[1 0],[0])
14 step(sys)
15 legend('part(b) step response','part(c) step response')
16 xlabel('time');
17 ylabel('y(t)');
18 grid
```

