

# Hybrid Control and Switched Systems

## Lecture #13 Stability under slow switching & state-dependent switching

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## Summary

Stability under slow switching

- Dwell-time switching
- Average dwell-time
- Stability under brief instabilities

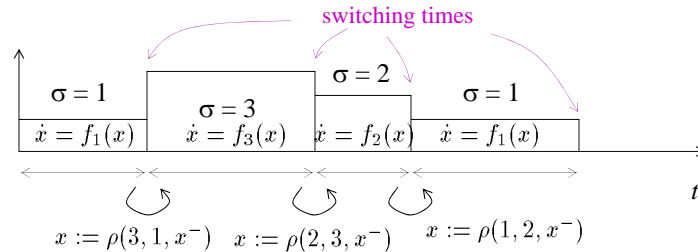
Stability under state-dependent switching

- State-dependent common Lyapunov function
- Stabilization through switching
- Multiple Lyapunov functions
- LaSalle's invariance principle

## Switched system

parameterized family of vector fields  $\equiv f_p: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad p \in \mathcal{Q}$   
 switching signal  $\equiv$  piecewise constant signal  $\sigma: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}$  parameter set  
 $\mathcal{S} \equiv$  set of admissible pairs  $(\sigma, x)$  with  $\sigma$  a switching signal and  $x$  a signal in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\dot{x} = f_\sigma(x) \quad x = \rho(\sigma, \sigma^-, x^-) \quad (\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S}$$



A **solution** to the switched system is a pair  $(\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S}$  for which

1. on every open interval on which  $\sigma$  is constant,  $x$  is a solution to
 
$$\dot{x} = f_{\sigma(t)}(x) \quad \text{time-varying ODE}$$
2. at every switching time  $t$ ,  $x(t) = \rho(\sigma(t), \sigma^-(t), x^-(t))$

## Three notions of stability

**Definition** (class  $\mathcal{K}$  function definition):  $\alpha$  is independent of  $x(t_0)$  and  $\sigma$   
 The equilibrium point  $x_{\text{eq}}$  is **stable** if  $\exists \alpha \in \mathcal{K}$ :  

$$\|x(t) - x_{\text{eq}}\| \leq \alpha(\|x(t_0) - x_{\text{eq}}\|) \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0, \|x(t_0) - x_{\text{eq}}\| \leq c$$
 along any solution  $(\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S}$  to the switched system

**Definition:**  
 The equilibrium point  $x_{\text{eq}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is **asymptotically stable** if  
 it is Lyapunov stable and for every solution that exists on  $[0, \infty)$   

$$x(t) \rightarrow x_{\text{eq}} \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

**Definition** (class  $\mathcal{KL}$  function definition):  
 The equilibrium point  $x_{\text{eq}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is **uniformly asymptotically stable** if  $\exists \beta \in \mathcal{KL}$ :  

$$\|x(t) - x_{\text{eq}}\| \leq \beta(\|x(t_0) - x_{\text{eq}}\|, t - t_0) \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0$$
 along any solution  $(\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S}$  to the switched system  $\beta$  is independent of  $x(t_0)$  and  $\sigma$

*exponential stability* when  $\beta(s, t) = c e^{-\lambda t} s$  with  $c, \lambda > 0$

## Stability under slow switching

So far ...  $\dot{x} = f_\sigma(x) \quad x = \rho(\sigma, \sigma^-, x^-) \quad (\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S}$   
 $\mathcal{S}_{\text{all}} \equiv$  set of all pairs  $(\sigma, x)$  with  $\sigma$  piecewise constant and  $x$  piecewise continuous  
 $\rho(p, q, x) = x \quad \forall p, q \in \mathcal{Q}, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  no resets  
any switching signal is admissible

**Now...**  $\dot{x} = A_\sigma x \quad x = R_{\sigma, \sigma^-} x^- \quad (\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S}$  switched linear systems

Slow switching:

$\mathcal{S}_{\text{dwell}}[\tau_D] \equiv$  switching signals with “dwell-time”  $\tau_D > 0$ , i.e., interval between consecutive discontinuities larger or equal to  $\tau_D$

Slow switching on the average:

$\mathcal{S}_{\text{ave}}[\tau_D, N_0] \equiv$  switching signals with “average dwell-time”  $\tau_D > 0$  and “chatter-bound”  $N_0 > 0$ , i.e.,

$$N_\sigma(t, \tau) \leq N_0 + \frac{t - \tau}{\tau_D} \quad \forall t > \tau \geq 0, \forall \sigma$$

# of discontinuities of  $\sigma$  in the open interval  $(\tau, t)$

$$\mathcal{S}[\tau_D] = \mathcal{S}_{\text{ave}}[\tau_D, 1] \quad \text{Why?}$$

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Why?

1<sup>st</sup> For a switched linear system

$$x(t) = \Phi_\sigma(t, \tau) x(\tau) \quad \text{state-transition matrix } (\sigma\text{-dependent})$$

$$\Phi_\sigma(t, \tau) := e^{A_{\sigma(t_k)}(t-t_k)} \left( \prod_{i=2}^k R_{\sigma(t_i), \sigma(t_{i-1})} e^{A_{\sigma(t_{i-1})}(t_i-t_{i-1})} \right) R_{\sigma(t_1), \sigma(\tau)} e^{A_{\sigma(\tau)}(t_1-\tau)}$$

$t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots, t_k \equiv$  switching times of  $\sigma$  in the interval  $[t, \tau]$

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2<sup>st</sup> Since all the  $A_q, q \in Q$  are asymptotically stable:  $\exists c, \lambda_0 > 0 \ \|e^{A_q t}\| \leq c e^{-\lambda_0 t}$

3<sup>rd</sup> Taking norms of the state-transition matrix...

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi_\sigma(t, \tau)\| &\leq \|e^{A_{\sigma(t_k)}(t-t_k)}\| \left( \prod_{i=2}^k \|R_{\sigma(t_i), \sigma(t_{i-1})}\| \|e^{A_{\sigma(t_{i-1})}(t_i-t_{i-1})}\| \right) \\ &\quad \|R_{\sigma(t_1), \sigma(\tau)}\| \|e^{A_{\sigma(\tau)}(t_1-\tau)}\| \\ &\leq c e^{-\lambda_0(t-t_k)} \left( \prod_{i=2}^k r c e^{-\lambda_0(t_i-t_{i-1})} \right) r c e^{-\lambda_0(t_1-\tau)} \end{aligned}$$

$r := \max_{p, q \in Q} \|R_{p, q}\|$

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4<sup>th</sup> Pick  $\tau_D > 0, \lambda \in (0, \lambda_0)$  such that

$$r c e^{-\lambda_0 \Delta} \leq e^{-\lambda \Delta} \quad \forall \Delta \geq \tau_D$$

*Always possible? yes:*

$$e^{(\lambda_0 - \lambda) \Delta} \geq r c \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \Delta \geq \frac{\log r c}{\lambda_0 - \lambda} \quad \left. \vphantom{\Delta} \right\} \text{ can pick } \tau_D := \frac{\log r c}{\lambda_0 - \lambda}$$

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5<sup>th</sup> Then

$$\|\Phi_\sigma(t, \tau)\| \leq ce^{-\lambda(t-t_k)} \left( \prod_{i=2}^k e^{-\lambda(t_i-t_{i-1})} \right) rce^{-\lambda(t_1-\tau)} = rc^2 e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}$$

exponential convergence to zero  
(with rate independent of  $\sigma$ )

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## Stability under slow switching on the average

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1<sup>st</sup> As before ...

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(w.l.g we assume  $rc > 1$ )

2<sup>nd</sup> But  $k$  is the number of switchings in  $[t, \tau]$  so  $k \leq 1 + N_\sigma(t, \tau) \leq 1 + N_0 + \frac{t - \tau}{\tau_D}$

$$\|\Phi_\sigma(t, \tau)\| \leq c (rc)^{1 + N_0 + \frac{t - \tau}{\tau_D}} e^{-\lambda_0(t - \tau)} = c e^{\log(rc)(1 + N_0) - (\lambda_0 - \frac{\log(rc)}{\tau_D})(t - \tau)}$$

exponential decrease as long as  $\lambda_0 > \frac{\log rc}{\tau_D} \Leftrightarrow \tau_D > \frac{\log rc}{\lambda_0}$

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1. Same results would hold for any subset of  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{ave}}[\tau_D, N_0]$
2. Some versions of these results also exist for nonlinear systems
3. One may still have stability if some of the  $A_q$  are unstable, provided that  $\sigma$  does not “dwell” on these values for a long time (switching under brief instabilities)

## So far... state-independent switching

$$\dot{x} = f_\sigma(x) \quad x = x^- \quad (\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S} \quad \text{no resets}$$

*Arbitrary switching:*

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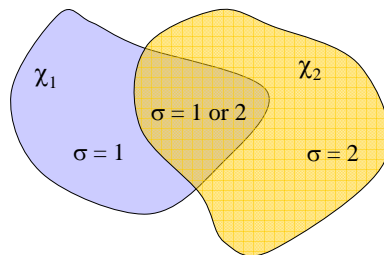
## Current-state dependent switching

$$\dot{x} = f_\sigma(x) \quad x = x^- \quad (\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S} \quad \text{no resets}$$

$\chi := \{\chi_q \in \mathbb{R}^n : q \in \mathcal{Q}\} \equiv$  (not necessarily disjoint) covering of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , i.e.,  $\cup_{q \in \mathcal{Q}} \chi_q = \mathbb{R}^n$

*Current-state dependent switching*

$\mathcal{S}[\chi] \equiv$  set of all pairs  $(\sigma, x)$  with  $\sigma$  piecewise constant and  $x$  piecewise continuous such that  $\forall t, \sigma(t) = q$  is allowed only if  $x(t) \in \chi_q$



Thus  $(\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S}[\chi]$  if and only if  $x(t) \in \chi_{\sigma(t)} \forall t$

## Common Lyapunov function for arbitrary switching

$$\dot{x} = f_\sigma(x) \quad x = x^- \quad (\sigma, x) \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{all}}$$

**Theorem:**

Suppose there exists a continuously differentiable, positive definite, radially unbounded function  $V: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(z - x_{\text{eq}})f_q(z) \leq W(z) \leq 0 \quad \forall q \in \mathcal{Q}, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Then for **arbitrary switching**  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{all}}$

1. the equilibrium point  $x_{\text{eq}}$  is Lyapunov stable
2. if  $W(z) = 0$  only for  $z = x_{\text{eq}}$  then  $x_{\text{eq}}$  is (glob) uniformly asymptotically stable.

*Why?* (for simplicity consider  $x_{\text{eq}} = 0$ )

1<sup>st</sup> Take an arbitrary solution  $(\sigma, x)$  and define  $v(t) := V(x(t)) \forall t \geq 0$

$$\dot{v} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(x)\dot{x} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(x)f_\sigma(x) \leq W(x(t)) \leq 0$$

2<sup>nd</sup> Therefore

$$v(t) := V(x(t)) \leq v(0) := V(x(0)) \quad \forall t \geq 0$$

*$V(x(t))$  is always bounded...*

## Common Lyapunov function for current-state dep. switching

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*still holds because  $x(t) \in \chi_{\sigma(t)}$*

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*Same conclusions as before ...*



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*Note that:*

- Same conclusion would hold for any subset of  $\mathcal{S}[\chi]$
- Some (or all) the unswitched systems may not be stable
 
$$\dot{x} = f_q(x)$$
- This theorem does not guarantee existence of solutions (as opposed to the usual Lyapunov Theorem and the ones for state independent switching)...

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E.g.,  $\mathcal{Q} := \{-1, +1\}$ ,  $\chi_{-1} := [0, \infty)$ ,  $\chi_{+1} := (-\infty, 0)$

$$\dot{x} = \sigma = \begin{cases} -1 & x \geq 0 \\ +1 & x < 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} f_{-1}(x) := -1 \\ f_{+1}(x) := +1 \end{matrix} \quad \text{no solutions exists}$$

For  $x_{\text{eq}} = 0$  is an equilibrium point and for  $V(z) := z^2$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(z - x_{\text{eq}})f_q(z) = \begin{cases} -2z & q = -1, z \geq 0 \\ 2z & q = +1, z < 0 \end{cases} \leq 0$$

## Stabilization through switching

Given a family of unstable vector fields  $f_q, q \in \mathcal{Q}$

*Is there a covering  $\chi$  for which the current-state dependent set of switching signals  $\mathcal{S}[\chi]$  results in stability?*

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*Why?*

1<sup>st</sup> Since the convex combination is asymptotically stable, it has a Lyapunov

function  $V$ : 
$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(z - x_{eq}) \sum_q \lambda_q f_q(z) \leq W(z) \leq 0 \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_q \lambda_q \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(z - x_{eq}) f_q(z) - W(z) \right) \leq 0$$

since all the  $\lambda_q \geq 0$ , for every  $z$ , at least one of the terms must be  $\leq 0$

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2<sup>nd</sup> Define  $\chi_q := \left\{ z \in \mathbb{R}^n : \underbrace{\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}(z - x_{eq}) f_q(z) - W(z)}_{\leq 0} \right\} \quad q \in \mathcal{Q}$

1. every point in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  belongs to one of the  $\chi_q$   
 $\Rightarrow \chi := \{ \chi_q : q \in \mathcal{Q} \}$  form a covering

$V$  is a common Lyapunov function for current-state dep. switching

2. 
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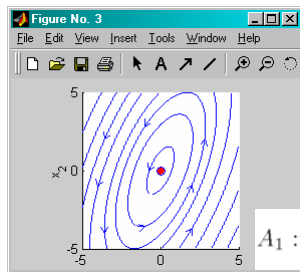
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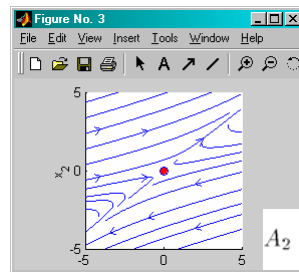
*But these covers may lead to non-existence of solution (Zeno)*

## Example



$$A_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

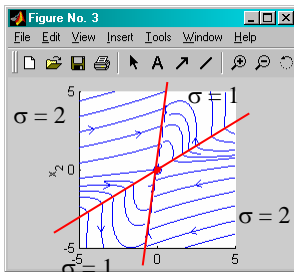
$\dot{x} = A_1 z$  stable but not asympt.



$$A_2 := \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ -5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\dot{x} = A_2 z$  unstable

$\dot{x} = A_\sigma x$



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(even without reset)

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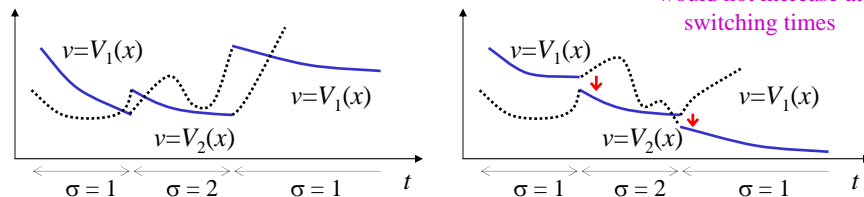
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*from now on same as before ...*

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class  $\mathcal{KL}$  function  
independent of  $\sigma$

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**Theorem** (LaSalle Invariance Principle):

Suppose there exists a continuously differentiable, positive definite, radially unbounded function  $V: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

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Then  $x_{\text{eq}}$  is a Lyapunov stable equilibrium and the solution always exists globally.

Moreover,  $x(t)$  converges to the largest invariant set  $M$  contained in

$$E := \{ z \in \mathbb{R}^n : W(z) = 0 \}$$

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*Why? show that  $C' Cz = 0 \Rightarrow Cz = 0$*

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*When does this happen ?*

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*When  $O$  is nonsingular, we have asymptotic stability  
(pair  $(C,A)$  is said to be observable)*

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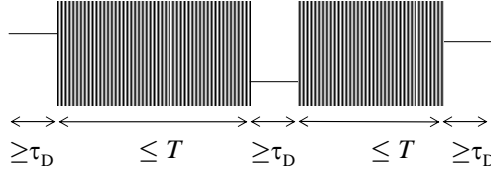
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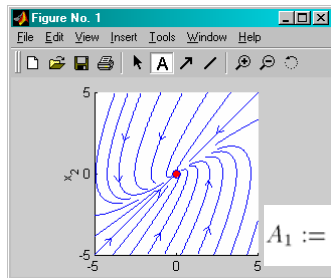
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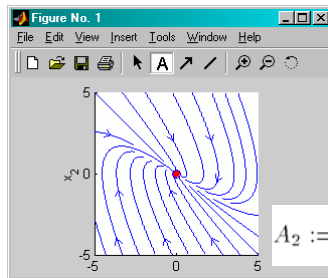
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## Example



$$A_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$A_2 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Choosing  $P_1 = P_2 = I$  *common Lyapunov function*

$$A_q' P_q + P_q A_q = -c_q' c_q \leq 0 \quad c_q := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \forall q \in \{1, 2\}$$

$$O_q := \begin{bmatrix} c_q \\ c_q A_q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ \pm 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad q \in \{1, 2\} \quad \textit{nonsingular (observable)}$$

1. One can find  $\sigma \notin \mathcal{S}_{\text{weak-dwell}}$  for which we do not have asymptotic stability
2. Stability is not uniform on  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{weak-dwell}}$ , because one can find  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{weak-dwell}}$  for which convergence is “arbitrarily slow” *(problems, e.g., close to the  $x_2=0$  axis)*

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- a) Finiteness of  $Q$  could be replaced by **compactness**
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- d) There are **nonlinear** versions of this result (no uniformity?)

### Next lecture...

- Computational methods to construct multiple Lyapunov functions—Linear Matrix Inequalities (LMIs)
- Applications (vision-based control)