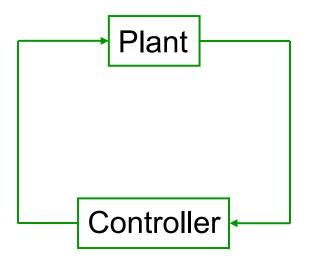
# NONLINEAR SYSTEMS with LIMITED DATA: ESTIMATION, CONTROL and SYNCHRONIZATION

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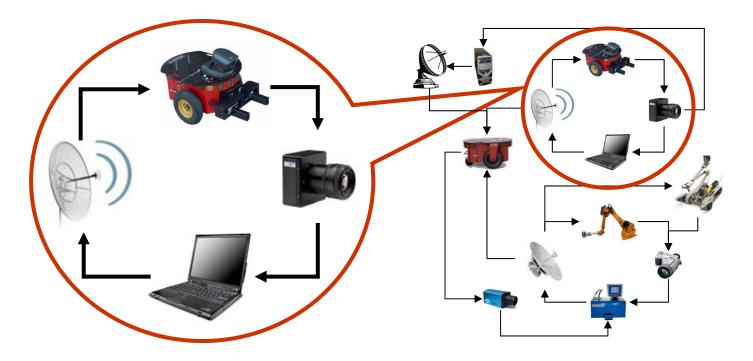


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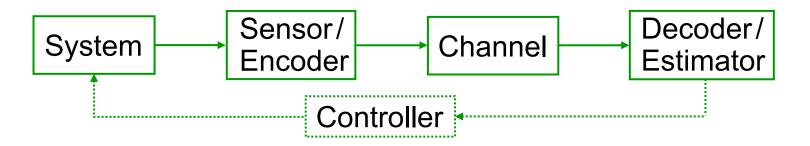
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Limited channel capacity, data encryption, coarse sensing & actuation  $\downarrow \downarrow$ errors in signal measurement, transmission, and reconstruction  $\downarrow \downarrow$ need robust algorithms

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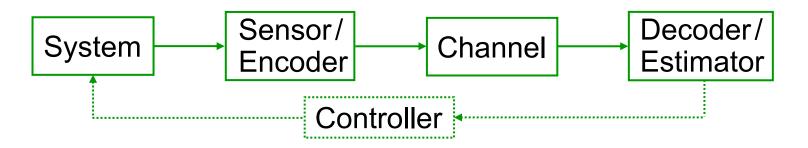
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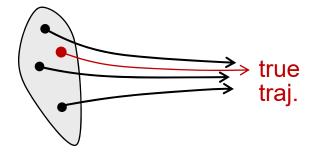


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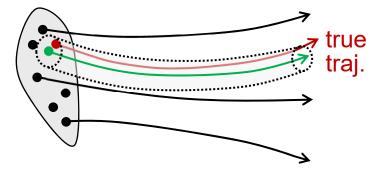
## BASIC MOTIVATING QUESTION

How much data is needed to estimate the system's state?

Contractive system:



General system:



Any trajectory can be used to approximate the real one  $\Rightarrow$  no data needed

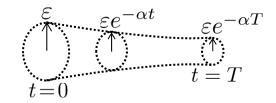
How many trajectories (or initial states) are needed to approximate all others? need to make this precise

This relates to entropy and data rate

### AN ENTROPY NOTION

 $\dot{x} = f(x), \ x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \ x(0) \in K$  – known compact set  $\xi(x,t)$  – solution from initial state x after time t

Pick: time horizon T > 0, resolution  $\varepsilon > 0$ , desired exponential convergence rate<sup>1</sup>  $\alpha \ge 0$ 



A set of points  $x_1, ..., x_N \in K$  is  $(T, \varepsilon)$ -spanning if  $\forall x \in K \exists x_i$ :

$$|\xi(x,t) - \xi(x_i,t)| < \varepsilon e^{-\alpha t} \quad \forall t \in [0,T]$$

 $s(T,\varepsilon) :=$  cardinality N of smallest  $(T,\varepsilon)$ -spanning set Estimation entropy:

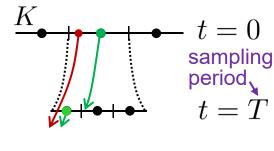
$$h(f) := \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \limsup_{T \to \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log s(T, \varepsilon)$$

Kolmogorov, Sinai, Adler, ..., Boichenko, Colonius, Kawan, Leonov, Matveev, Nair, Pogromsky, Savkin, ... [1] L, Mitra, Entropy and minimal bit rates for state estimation and model detection, TAC, 2018

### TOY EXAMPLE

 $\dot{x} = \lambda x, \ \lambda > 0, \ x(0) \in K \subset \mathbb{R}$  – known compact interval

Goal: estimate x(t) using finite-data-rate encoding of x-values



- divide K into N equal intervals with centers  $x_i$ sampling period. • record the index of the interval containing x(0)
  - t = T divide reachable set again into N subintervals repeat

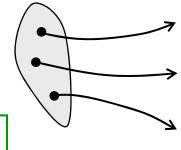
This encoding scheme uses data at  $\frac{1}{T}\log N$  bits per time unit At  $t = \ell T$ , we know x(t) is in an interval of length  $\frac{|K|}{N^{\ell}}e^{\ell\lambda T}$ To estimate x(t) with error converging to 0 as  $e^{-\alpha t}$  we need  $N \ge e^{(\lambda+\alpha)T} \Rightarrow$  need data rate of  $\lambda + \alpha$  bits (or nats) Entropy: the set  $C := \{x_1, ..., x_N\}$  is  $(T, \varepsilon)$ -spanning if  $|x_i - x_{i+1}| < \varepsilon e^{-(\lambda+\alpha)T} \Rightarrow \#C = e^{(\lambda+\alpha)T} |K|/\varepsilon$  $\limsup_{T\to\infty} \frac{1}{T} \log$  of this gives  $h = \lambda + \alpha$ 

#### **CONTRACTION / EXPANSION RATE**

Back to general case:  $\dot{x} = f(x), \ x(0) \in K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ 

 $\xi(x,t)$  – solution from x after time t

We want to find a constant  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.



$$|\xi(x_1, t) - \xi(x_2, t)| \le e^{ct} |x_1 - x_2|$$

as long as solutions stay in a compact set (or globally)

E.g., 
$$c$$
 can be Lipschitz constant of  $f$ 

If f is  $C^1$ , a sharper bound is obtained with  $c := \sup_x \mu\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x)\right)$ where  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  is Jacobian matrix and  $\mu(A) := \lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} \frac{\|I + \varepsilon A\| - 1}{\varepsilon}$  is matrix measure (e.g., for  $\infty$ -norm  $\mu(A) = \max_i \{a_{ii} + \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}|\}$ )

#### BOUNDS on ENTROPY

 $\dot{x} = f(x), \ x(0) \in K \subset \mathbb{R}^n, \ |\xi(x_1, t) - \xi(x_2, t)| \le e^{ct} |x_1 - x_2|$ 

Upper bound:  $h(f) \le \max\{(c+\alpha)n, 0\}$ 

Sketch of proof:

- centers of balls of radius  $\varepsilon e^{-(c+\alpha)T}$  that cover *K* form a  $(T, \varepsilon)$ -spanning set  $\Rightarrow$  need to count them
- if we use, e.g.,  $\infty$ -norm balls (cubes), need  $e^{(c+\alpha)T}/\varepsilon$ per dimension to cover a unit hypercube

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$$\limsup_{T \to \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \left( e^{(c+\alpha)T} / \varepsilon \right)^n = (c+\alpha)n \qquad \square$$

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For linear system  $\dot{x} = Ax$  this result can be refined to

$$h(A) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \max\{\operatorname{Re}\lambda_i(A) + \alpha, 0\}$$

Lower bound comes from computing  $vol(\xi(K, t))$  by Liouville's trace formula and counting # of balls that can cover this volume<sup>1,2</sup>

Similar argument<sup>3</sup> gives a lower bound for nonlinear system:

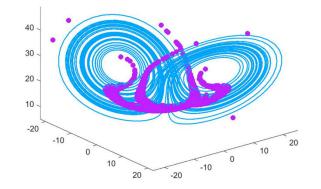
$$h(f) \ge \inf_{x} \operatorname{tr} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x) + \alpha n$$

[1] Savkin, Analysis and synthesis of networked control systems, Automatica, 2006

[2] Schmidt, MS Thesis, UIUC, 2016

[3] Colonius, Minimal bit rates and entropy for exponential stabilization, SICON, 2012

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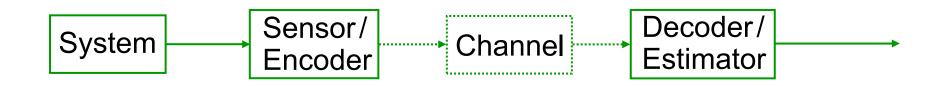
For initial set  $K = B_{r_0}((0,0,0))$ can compute r s.t.  $x(t) \in B_r((0,0,\sigma+\theta)) \quad \forall t \ge 0$ 

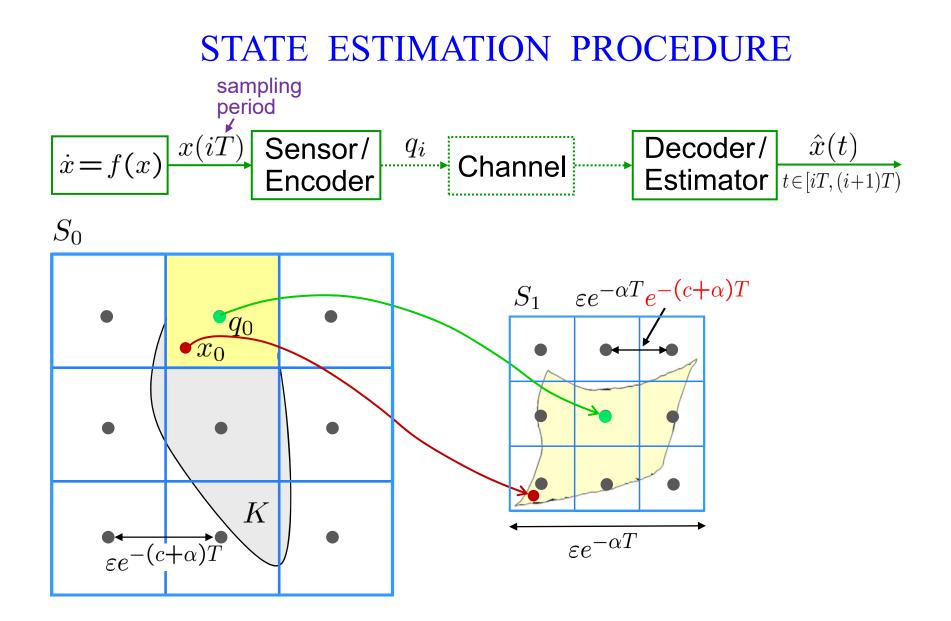
Jacobian is 
$$J(x) := \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} -\sigma & \sigma & 0\\ \theta - x_3 & -1 & -x_1\\ x_2 & x_1 & -\beta \end{pmatrix}$$
  
Its matrix measure is  $\mu(J(x)) = \max_{i=1,2,3} \left\{ J_{ii}(x) + \sum_{j \neq i} |J_{ij}(x)| \right\}$ 

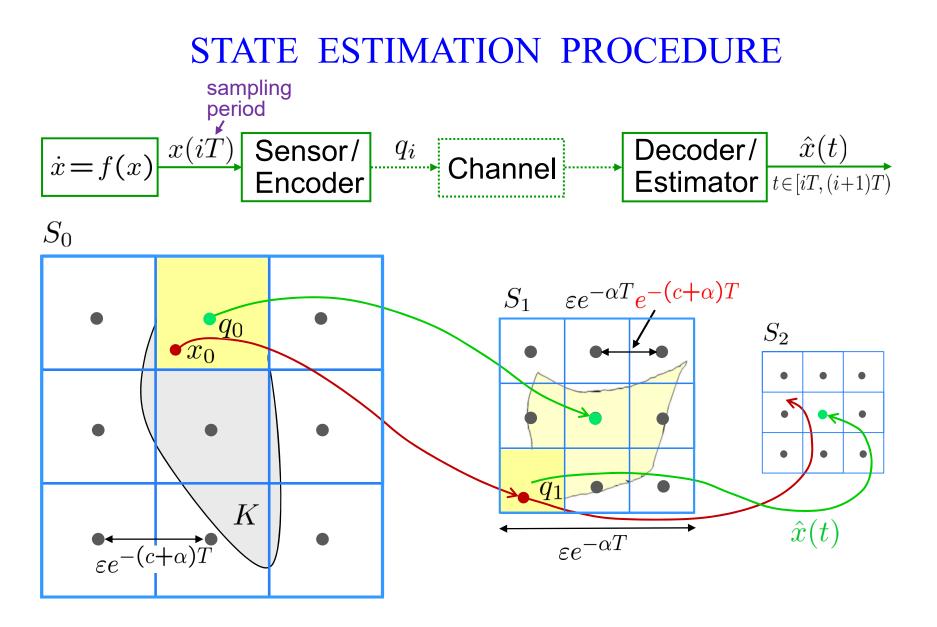
hence  $c = \max_{x \in B_r} \mu(J(x)) = \max\{0, -1 + \sigma + 2r, -\beta + 2r\}$ 

and  $h(f) \leq 3(c+\alpha)$ 

### STATE ESTIMATION PROCEDURE







**Properties:**  $x(iT) \in S_i \ \forall i \text{ and } \|x(t) - \hat{x}(t)\|_{\infty} \leq \varepsilon e^{-\alpha t} \ \forall t$ 

### DATA RATE and EFFICIENCY GAP

 $S_i, i \ge 1$  is divided into  $e^{(c+\alpha)T}$  sub-boxes per dim

 $\Rightarrow q_i$  is drawn from alphabet of size  $N = e^{(c+\alpha)Tn}$ 

⇒ bit rate is 
$$\frac{1}{T} \log N = (c + \alpha)n$$
  
which is our upper bound on  $h(f)$ 

In fact, quantization points define a spanning set

More precisely: # of possible codewords over  $\ell$ rounds,  $N^{\ell}$ , equals cardinality of  $(\ell T, \varepsilon)$ -spanning set

$$\Rightarrow \text{ bit rate} = \frac{1}{\ell T} \log N^{\ell} \geq \frac{1}{\ell T} \log s(\ell T, \varepsilon) \underset{\ell \to \infty, \varepsilon \to 0}{\longrightarrow} h(f)$$
# smallest spanning set

So, entropy gives the minimal required data rate for state estimation<sup>1</sup> Efficiency gap of our algorithm is  $(c + \alpha)n - h(f)$ which is the price to pay for having a constructive procedure

 $\delta_i e^{-(c+\alpha)T}$ 

 $S_i$ 

 $\delta_i$ 

### MODEL DETECTION PROBLEM

Want to distinguish between two competing system models

 $\dot{x} = f_1(x), \qquad \dot{x} = f_2(x)$ 

using finite-data-rate state measurements (as before) Need the two systems to be "sufficiently different"  $\xi_i(x,t)$  – solution of system i from initial state x after time t, T – sampling period,  $c_1$  – expansion rate of system 1 Call the two models separated if  $\exists \varepsilon^* > 0$  s.t.  $\forall \varepsilon < \varepsilon^*$ :

$$|x_1 - x_2| \le \varepsilon \implies |\xi_1(x_1, T) - \xi_2(x_2, T)| > \varepsilon e^{c_1 T}$$

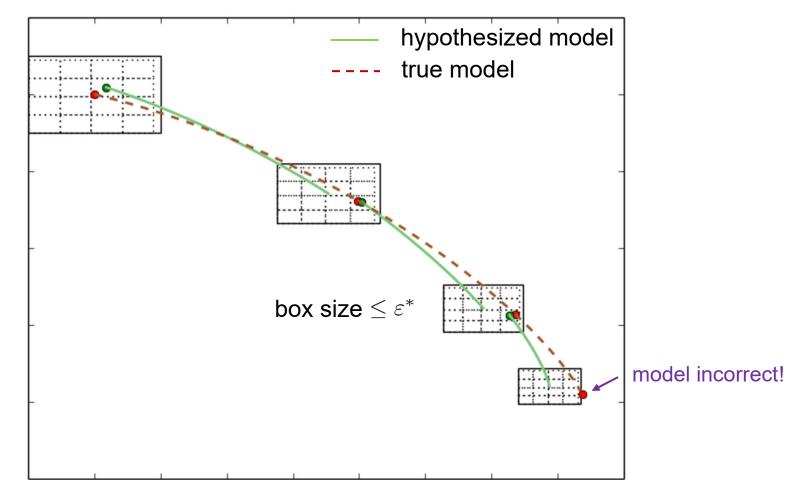
Interpretation: for nearby initial states, trajectories of the two systems diverge faster than would be possible if they both came from system 
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Separation property holds in generic situations, if T is small enough<sup>1</sup>

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# MODEL DETECTION **RROBREMH**M

With separation assumption, our previous state estimation algorithm will eventually falsify model 1 if it is incorrect

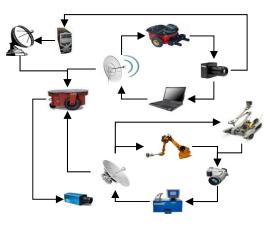


With prior knowledge of  $\varepsilon^*$ , it will also certify model 1 if it is correct

#### ONGOING WORK: INTERCONNECTED SYSTEMS

$$\dot{x}_i = f_i(x_1, \dots, x_k), \ i = 1, \dots, k$$

$$\dim(x_i) = n_i, \ n_1 + \dots + n_k = n$$



Jacobian blocks:  $J_{ij}(x) = (\partial f_i / \partial x_j)(x)$ 

Assume:  $\mu(J_{ii}(x)) \le a_{ii}, \|J_{ij}(x)\| \le a_{ij} \forall x, \forall i, j$ 

Structure matrix:  $A := (a_{ij})_{i,j=1}^k$ 

A is a Metzler matrix  $\Rightarrow$  eigenvalue  $\lambda_{\max}(A)$  is real

Entropy bound<sup>1</sup>:  $h(f) \le \max\{(\lambda_{\max}(A) + \alpha)n, 0\}$ 

[1] L, On topological entropy of interconnected nonlinear systems, IEEE CSL/CDC, 2021

### EXAMPLE: LORENZ SYSTEM (revisited)

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Can view the system as interconnection of 3 scalar subsystems

Jacobian is 
$$J(x) = \begin{pmatrix} -\sigma & \sigma & 0 \\ \theta - x_3 & -1 & -x_1 \\ x_2 & x_1 & -\beta \end{pmatrix}$$
  
For  $K = B_{r_0}((0,0,0))$  we have  $x(t) \in B_r((0,0,\sigma+\theta)) \quad \forall t \ge 0$   
Need matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$  s.t.  $\forall x \in B_r$ :  $\mu(J_{ii}(x)) \le a_{ii}, ||J_{ij}(x)|| \le a_{ij}$   
Can take  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -\sigma & \sigma & 0 \\ \sigma + r & -1 & r \\ r & r & -\beta \end{pmatrix}$  Previous result gives  
 $h(f) \le 3(\lambda_{\max}(A) + \alpha)$ 

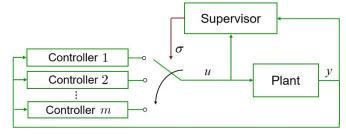
Improves on earlier matrix measure bound, but far from being tight<sup>1</sup> [1] Pogromsky, Matveev, Estimation of topological entropy via direct Lyapunov method, Nonlinearity, 2011

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### ONGOING WORK: SWITCHED SYSTEMS

$$\dot{x} = f_{\sigma}(x)$$

- $\dot{x} = f_p(x), \ p \in \mathcal{P}$  are modes
- $\sigma$  :  $[0,\infty) \to \mathcal{P}$  is a switching signal



Can define entropy as before for each fixed switching signal

For each mode p, define active time  $\tau_p(t) := \int_0^t \mathbf{1}_p(\sigma(s)) ds$  and active rate  $\rho_p(t) := \tau_p(t)/t$  – these play a role in entropy bounds

For example, entropy of switched linear system  $\dot{x} = A_{\sigma}x$  satisfies<sup>1</sup>

$$\limsup_{t \to \infty} \sum_{p} \operatorname{tr}(A_p) \rho_p(t) \le h(A_{\sigma}) \le \limsup_{t \to \infty} \sum_{p} n\mu(A_p) \rho_p(t)$$

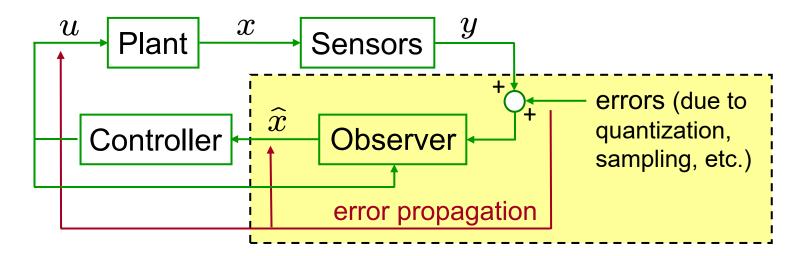
Extensions to switched nonlinear systems also possible<sup>2</sup>

These bounds can inform control design for switched systems

[1] Yang, Schmidt, L, Hespanha, Topological entropy of switched linear systems, MCSS, 2020;  $\alpha = 0$ [2] Yang, L, Hespanha, Topological entropy of switched nonlinear systems, HSCC, 2021

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- State estimation and model detection with finite data rate: an entropy approach
- Observers robust to measurement errors, with applications to control and synchronization



Few results for nonlinear systems are available<sup>1,2</sup>

[1] Khalil, Praly, High-gain observers in nonlinear feedback control, IJRNC, 2013[2] Chong, Postoyan, Nesic, Kuhlmann, Varsavsky, A robust circle criterion observer, Automatica, 2012

SENSITIVITY vs. ROBUSTNESS

 $\dot{x} = f(x, d)$  x – state, d – disturbance

Asymptotic stability for  $d \equiv 0$  does not imply bounded response to bounded disturbances:

 $\dot{x} = -x + xd$  (x unbounded for  $d \equiv 2$ )

or converging response to vanishing disturbances:

$$\dot{x} = -x + x^2 d$$
 (may have  $x \uparrow \infty$  even if  $d \to 0$ )

Both properties are captured by input-to-state stability (ISS)<sup>1</sup>:

This will be our benchmark robustness notion, with some caveats

[1] Sontag, Smooth stabilization implies coprime factorization, TAC, 1989

## ASYMPTOTIC-RATIO ISS LYAPUNOV FUNCTIONS<sup>1</sup>

These are functions V(x) whose derivative along solutions satisfies

$$\dot{V} \leq -\alpha(|x|) + g(|x|, |d|)$$

where  $lpha \in \mathcal{K}$ , g is continuous non-negative,  $g(r, \cdot) \in \mathcal{K}$ , and

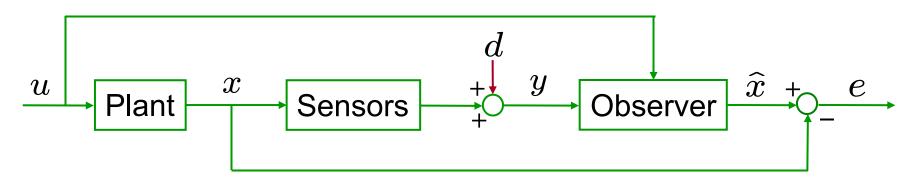
$$\limsup_{r \to \infty} \frac{g(r,s)}{\alpha(r)} < 1 \quad \forall s \ge 0$$

Can show: ISS  $\Leftrightarrow \exists$  asymptotic-ratio ISS Lyapunov function (by reducing to more standard Lyapunov characterizations of ISS)

Example (scalar): 
$$\dot{x} = -\frac{1}{1+d^2}x + d$$
,  $V(x) := \frac{1}{2}x^2$   
 $\dot{V} = -\frac{x^2}{1+d^2} + xd = -\frac{x^2}{\alpha(|x|)} + \frac{x^2\frac{d^2}{1+d^2} + xd}{g(|x|, |d|)}$ 

[1] L, Shim, Asymptotic ratio characterization of input-to-state stability, TAC, 2015

#### **OBSERVER SET-UP**



Plant: $\dot{x} = f(x, u), \quad y = h(x, d) \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}^n)$ Observer: $\dot{z} = F(z, y, u), \quad \hat{x} = H(z, y) \quad (z \in \mathbb{R}^m)$ Full-order observer: $m = n, \quad \hat{x} = z$ ; reduced-order:m < n

State estimation error:  $e := \hat{x} - x$ 

Sensitivity issue<sup>1</sup>: can have  $e \to 0$  when  $d \equiv 0$ yet  $e \to \infty$  for arbitrarily small  $d \neq 0$ 

[1] Shim, Seo, Teel, Nonlinear observer design via passivation of error dynamics, Automatica, 2003

#### **ROBUSTNESS** of **OBSERVER**

Plant:  $\dot{x} = f(x, u), \quad y = h(x, d)$ Observer:  $\dot{z} = F(z, y, u), \quad \hat{x} = H(z, y)$ Estimation error:  $e := \hat{x} - x$ ISS-like robustness:  $\exists \beta \in \mathcal{KL}, \gamma \in \mathcal{K}$  s.t.

$$|e(t)| \leq \beta(|e(0)|, t) + \gamma(||d||_{[0,t]})$$

Turns out to be too restrictive, not realistic

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$$|e(t)| \leq \beta_K(|e(0)|, t) + \gamma_K(||d||_{[0,t]})$$

whenever 
$$\|u\|_{[0,t]}, \|x\|_{[0,t]} \leq K$$

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Call such observers quasi-Disturbance-to-Error Stable (qDES)<sup>1</sup>

Accordingly, asymptotic-ratio Lyapunov condition only needs to hold for bounded x, u

[1] Shim, L, Nonlinear observers robust to measurement disturbances in an ISS sense, TAC, 2016

EXAMPLE: LINEARIZED ERROR DYNAMICS<sup>1</sup> Plant:  $\dot{x} = Ax + f(Cx, u), \quad y = Cx + d$ with (A, C) detectable pair, so  $\exists L$  s.t. A - LC is Hurwitz Observer:  $\dot{z} = Az + f(y, u) + L(y - Cz), \quad \hat{x} = z$ Analysis of error dynamics: e = z - x $V := e^{\top} P e$  where  $P(A - LC) + (A - LC)^{\top} P = -I$  $\dot{V} \leq -|e|^{2} + 2|e||P||(||L|||d| + |f(Cx + d, u) - f(Cx, u)|)$  $\leq \phi_K(|d|)$ Assume  $|u|, |x| \leq K$ Asymptotic ratio:  $\frac{g(|e|,|d|)}{\alpha(|e|)} \xrightarrow[|e|\to\infty]{} 0 \Rightarrow \text{observer is qDES}$ 

Also qDES are high-gain observer, circle-criterion observer

[1] Krener, Isidori, Linearization by output injection and nonlinear observers, SCL, 1983

Plant (after a coordinate change):	Observer:	
$\dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1, x_2, u)$	$\hat{x}_1 = y$	
$\dot{x}_2 = f_2(x_1, x_2, u)$	$\dot{z} = f_2(y, z, u)$	
$y = x_1 + d$	$\hat{x}_2 = z$	
$e := z - x_2,  V = V(e)$		
$\dot{V} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial e} \Big[ f_2(x_1, \mathbf{x_2} + \mathbf{e}, u) - f_2(x_1, \mathbf{x_2}, u) \Big]$		
Assume this is $\leq -lpha( e )$ , then we have an		

asymptotic observer:  $e \rightarrow 0$  (without d)

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assumed to be $\leq -lpha( e )$	
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assumed to be $\leq -\alpha( e ) \leq$	$\leq \rho( e )$
$\leq \frac{\partial V}{\partial e} \left[ f_2(\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{x_2} + \boldsymbol{e}, \boldsymbol{u}) - f_2(\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{x_2}, \boldsymbol{u}) \right] + \left[ \frac{\partial V}{\partial e} \right]$	$\frac{\partial V}{\partial e} \left  \left  f_2(\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{x_2}, \boldsymbol{u}) - f_2(\boldsymbol{x_1}, \boldsymbol{x_2}, \boldsymbol{u}) \right  \right $
Assume $ u ,  x  \leq K$	$\leq \phi_K( d )$

We have:  $\dot{V} \leq -\alpha(|e|) + \rho(|e|)\phi_K(|d|)$ 

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$y = x_1 + d$	$\hat{x}_2 = z$

came from asymptotic observer property came from Lyapunov function

Asymptotic ratio condition:

$$\limsup_{r \to \infty} \frac{\rho(r)}{\alpha(r)} \phi_K(s) < 1 \ \forall s \ \leftarrow \left[ \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{\rho(r)}{\alpha(r)} = 0 \right]$$

Under this condition the observer is  $qDES_{A(|e|)} \neq \rho(|e|)\phi_{K}(|d|)$ Synchronization examples that follow are analyzed in this way ROBUST SYNCHRONIZATION and qDES OBSERVERS

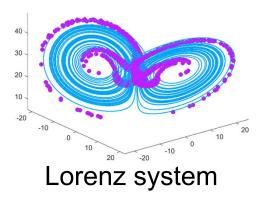
$$\begin{array}{c|c} \dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1, x_2) & x_1 + y & \cdots \\ \dot{x}_2 = f_2(x_1, x_2) & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \text{Leader} & d & \text{Follower} \end{array} e := z - x_2$$

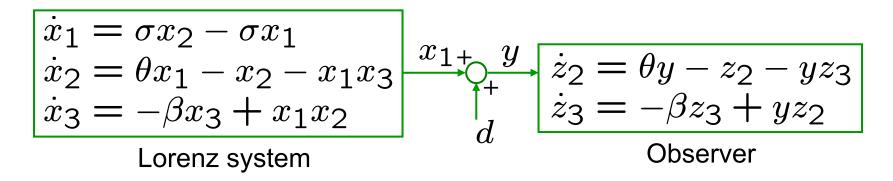
Robust synchronization:  $\forall K > 0 \exists \beta_K \in \mathcal{KL}, \gamma_K \in \mathcal{K}_{\infty}$  s.t.

$$|e(t)| \leq \beta_K(|e(0)|, t) + \gamma_K(||d||_{[0,t]})$$

whenever  $||x||_{[0,t]} \leq K$  (in closed loop)

Equivalently: follower is a reduced-order qDES observer for leader Sufficient condition from before:  $\exists V = V(e) \text{ s.t. } \left| \frac{\partial V}{\partial e} \right| \leq \rho(|e|),$  $\frac{\partial V}{\partial e}(e) \left( f_2(x_1, z) - f_2(x_1, x_2) \right) \leq -\alpha(|e|), \text{ and}$  $\limsup_{r \to \infty} \frac{\rho(r)}{\alpha(r)} = 0$  (asymptotic ratio condition)



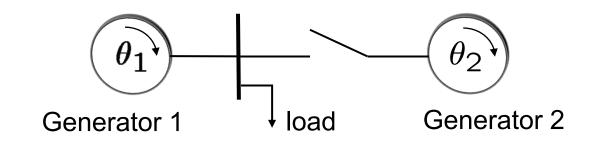


We already mentioned that x is bounded

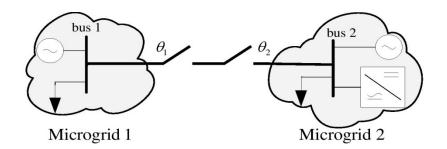
Can show qDES from 
$$d$$
 to  $e := \begin{pmatrix} z_2 - x_2 \\ z_3 - x_3 \end{pmatrix}$  using  $V(e) = |e|^2$ 

For d arising from time sampling and quantization, we can derive an explicit bound on synchronization error which is inversely proportional to data rate<sup>1</sup>

[1] Andrievsky, Fradkov, L, Robust Pecora-Carroll synchronization under communication constraints, SCL, 2018



Baby version of microgrid synchronization



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$$\begin{array}{c} \dot{\theta}_1 = \omega_1 \\ \dot{\omega}_1 = u_1 - \ell(t) - D_1 \omega_1 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} \theta_1 + \\ \phi_1 + \\ \phi_2 = u_2 - D_2 \omega_2 \end{array}} \\ \begin{array}{c} \dot{\theta}_2 = \omega_2 \\ \dot{\omega}_2 = u_2 - D_2 \omega_2 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} d \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{Generator 1} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} \theta_1 + \\ \phi_2 = u_2 - D_2 \omega_2 \end{array} \end{array}$$

 $\ell(t) =$  electrical load (slowly varying) Measurements:  $u_1(t, \theta_1) =$  control input (mechanical power) PMU corrupted With integral control:  $\omega_1 \rightarrow$  desired freq.  $\omega_0$  by disturbance

**Objective**: connect 2nd generator when  $\theta_1 \approx \theta_2$ ,  $\omega_1 \approx \omega_2$ 

- $V = e^2$  gives DES (ISS) from d to  $e := \omega_2 \omega_1$ (becomes qDES for phase-dependent damping,  $D_1 = D_1(\theta_1)$ )
- frequency regulation and synchronization meet IEEE standards for realistic disturbance values<sup>1</sup>

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