

Nonlinear Control

Global Observers and High-Gain Observers

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Global Observers

- Consider the following system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + \psi(u, y), \quad y = Cx$$

- Design the observer

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = A\hat{x} + \psi(u, y) + H(y - C\hat{x})$$

$$\tilde{x} = x - \hat{x}$$

$$\dot{\tilde{x}} = (A - HC)\tilde{x}$$

- Design H such that $A - HC$ is Hurwitz

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{x}(t) = 0, \quad \forall \tilde{x}(0)$$

Global Observers-A More General Case

- Consider the system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + \psi(u, y) + \phi(x, u), \quad y = Cx$$

$$\|\phi(x, u) - \phi(z, u)\| \leq L\|x - z\|$$

- Design the observer

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = A\hat{x} + \psi(u, y) + \phi(\hat{x}, u) + H(y - C\hat{x})$$

$$\dot{\tilde{x}} = (A - HC)\tilde{x} + \phi(x, u) - \phi(\hat{x}, u)$$

- Design the Lyapunov function

$$P(A - HC) + (A - HC)^T P = -I, \quad V = \tilde{x}^T P \tilde{x}$$

$$\dot{V} = -\tilde{x}^T \tilde{x} + 2\tilde{x}^T P [\phi(x, u) - \phi(\hat{x}, u)] \leq -\|\tilde{x}\|^2 + 2L\|P\|\|\tilde{x}\|^2$$

$$L < \frac{1}{2\|P\|} \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{x}(t) = 0, \quad \forall \tilde{x}(0)$$

High-Gain Observers-Example

- Consider the system

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2, \quad \dot{x}_2 = \phi(x, u), \quad y = x_1$$

- Design the observer

$$\dot{\hat{x}}_1 = \hat{x}_2 + h_1(y - \hat{x}_1), \quad \dot{\hat{x}}_2 = \phi_0(\hat{x}, u) + h_2(y - \hat{x}_1)$$

$$|\phi_0(z, u) - \phi(x, u)| \leq L\|x - z\| + M$$

- The error system is given by

$$\dot{\tilde{x}} = A_0 \tilde{x} + B \delta(x, \tilde{x}, u)$$

$$A_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -h_1 & 1 \\ -h_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \delta = \phi(x, u) - \phi_0(\hat{x}, u)$$

- Design h_1 and h_2 such that A_0 is Hurwitz.

High-Gain Observers-Example

- Transfer function from δ to \tilde{x} :

$$G_0(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + h_1 s + h_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ s + h_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- We can make $\sup_{w \in R} \|G_0(jw)\|$ arbitrarily small by choosing

$$h_2 \gg h_1 \gg 1$$

- By choosing $h_1 = \frac{\alpha_1}{\varepsilon}$, $h_2 = \frac{\alpha_2}{\varepsilon^2}$, $\varepsilon \ll 1$

$$G_0(s) = \frac{\varepsilon}{(\varepsilon s)^2 - \alpha_1 \varepsilon s + \alpha_2} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon s + \alpha_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} G_0(s) = 0$$

High-Gain Observers-Example

- Let

$$\eta_1 = \frac{\tilde{x}_1}{\varepsilon} \quad \eta_2 = \tilde{x}_2$$

- It follows that

$$\varepsilon \dot{\eta} = F\eta + \varepsilon B\delta, \text{ where } F = \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha_1 & 1 \\ -\alpha_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|\delta| \leq L\|\tilde{x}\| + M \leq L\|\eta\| + M$$

- Design the Lyapunov function

$$PF + F^T P = -I, \quad V = \eta^T p \eta$$

$$\varepsilon \dot{V} = -\eta^T \eta + 2\varepsilon \eta^T P B \delta$$

$$\leq -\|\eta\|^2 + 2\varepsilon L \|PB\| \|\eta\|^2 + 2\varepsilon M \|PB\| \|\eta\|$$

High-Gain Observers Example

$$\varepsilon L \|PB\| \leq \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \varepsilon \dot{V} \leq -\frac{1}{2} \|\eta\|^2 + 2\varepsilon M \|PB\| \|\eta\|$$

$$\|\eta(t)\| \leq \max\{ke^{-at/\varepsilon} \|\eta(0)\|, \varepsilon cM\}, \quad \forall t \geq 0$$

- Peaking Phenomenon

$$x_1(0) \neq \hat{x}_1(0) \Rightarrow \eta_1(0) = O(1/\varepsilon)$$

- The solution will contain a term of the form $(1/\varepsilon) e^{-at/\varepsilon}$

Example (revisited)

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2, \quad \dot{x}_2 = -x_1 - 2x_2 + ax_1^2x_2 + b \sin 2t, \quad y = x_1$$

$a = 0.25$, $b = 0.2$, and $\Omega = \{1.5x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 0.5x_2^2 \leq \sqrt{2}\}$ is positively invariant

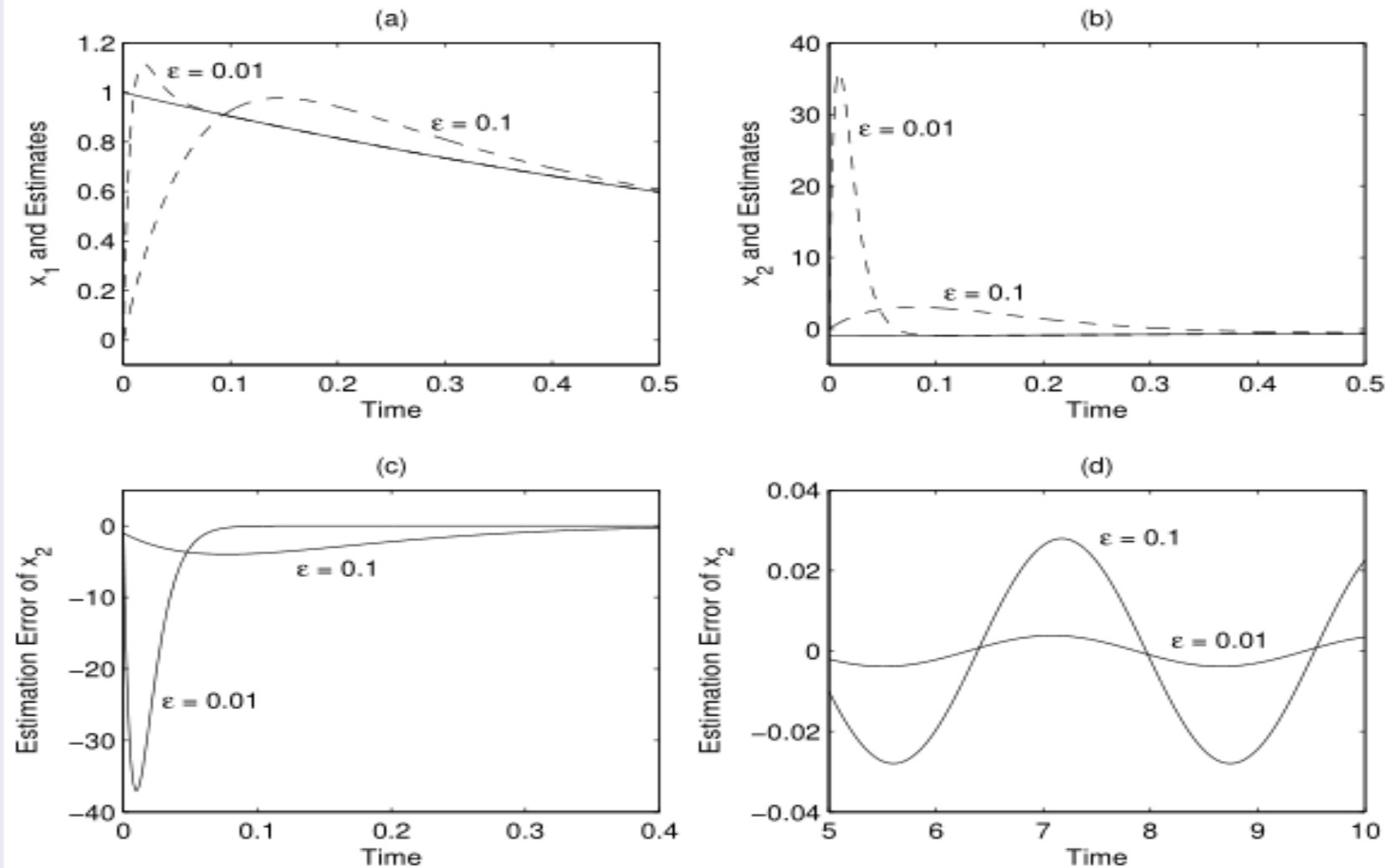
$$\dot{\hat{x}}_1 = \hat{x}_2 + \frac{2}{\varepsilon} (y - \hat{x}_1)$$

$$\dot{\hat{x}}_2 = -\hat{x}_1 - 2\hat{x}_2 + \hat{a}\hat{x}_1^2 \hat{x}_2 + \hat{b} \sin 2t + \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} (y - \hat{x}_1)$$

Case 1: $\hat{a} = 0.25$ and $\hat{b} = 0.2$ (*Figures (a) and (b)*)

Case 2: $\hat{a} = \hat{b} = 0$ (*Figures (c) and (d)*)

Example (revisited)



Measurement Noise

$$y = x_1 + v, \quad |v(t)| \leq N$$

$$\varepsilon \dot{\eta} = F\eta + \varepsilon B\delta - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} E v, \quad \text{where } E = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varepsilon \dot{V} \leq -\frac{1}{2} \|\eta\|^2 + 2\varepsilon M \|PB\| \|\eta\| + \frac{2N}{\varepsilon} \|PE\| \|\eta\|$$

- Ultimate bound:

$$\|\tilde{x}\| \leq c_1 M \varepsilon + \frac{c_2 N}{\varepsilon}$$

Measurement Noise

