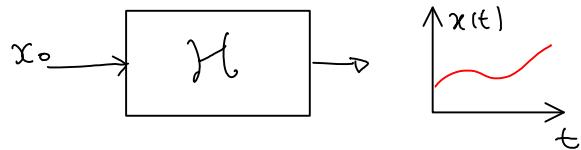


Sensitivity Analysis

Idea: $\dot{x} = f(x, t)$; $x(0) = x_0$

Consider the system as a map from the initial state to the solution trajectory in a finite interval $[0, \tau]$



Question: Is H continuous?

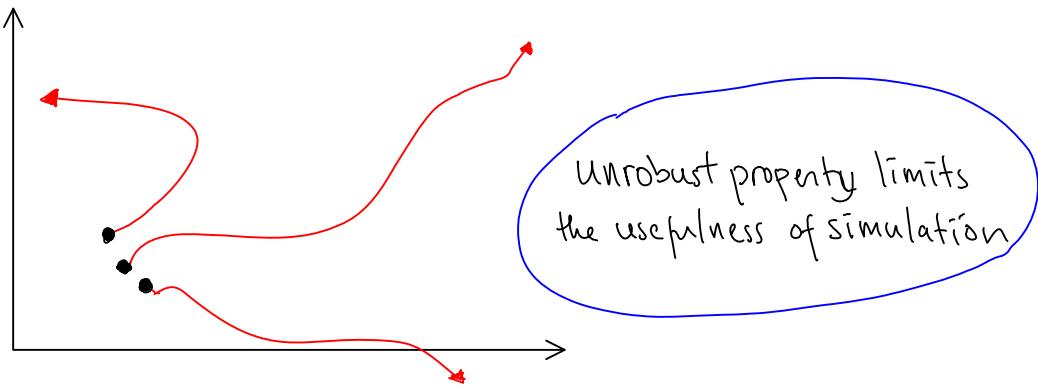
Does small perturbations in x_0 result in small perturbation in $x(t)$?

Recall that a function $\varphi: \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}$, both \mathbb{X} and \mathbb{Y} are normed spaces, is continuous at $x \in \mathbb{X}$ if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\|x' - x\| < \delta \rightarrow \|\varphi(x') - \varphi(x)\| < \varepsilon$$

Why is continuity of H important?

- * limit of simulation
- * chaos theory (butterfly effect)
- * robustness property



see Thm 3.4

Theorem: Suppose that $f(x,t)$ is piecewise continuous, and Lipschitz in x for $(x,t) \in W \times [0,T]$, $W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is an open connected set, and L is the Lipschitz constant.

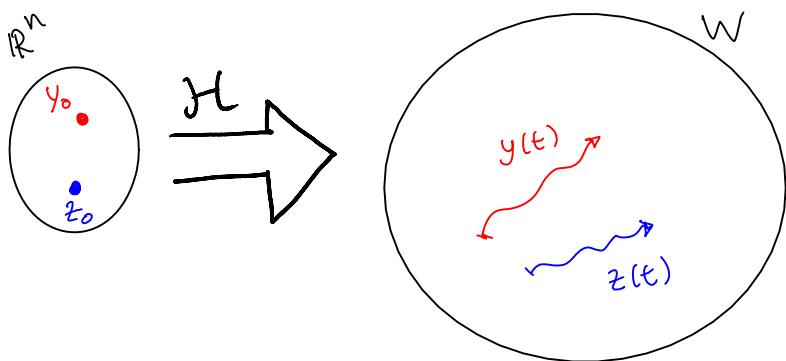
$$\forall t \in [0,T], x,y \in W, \|f(x,t) - f(y,t)\| \leq L \|x-y\|$$

Suppose that $y(t)$ and $z(t)$ are solutions of:

$$y(t) = f(y,t), y(0) = y_0$$

$$z(t) = f(z,t), z(0) = z_0$$

such that $\forall t \in [0,T], \begin{cases} y(t) \in W \\ z(t) \in W \end{cases}$



$$\text{Then, } \|y(t) - z(t)\| \leq \|y_0 - z_0\| e^{Lt}, \forall t \in [0,T]$$

This establishes the continuity of H ! (Why?)

Proof: $y(t) = y_0 + \int_0^t f(y(\tau), \tau) d\tau \dots \dots \quad (1)$

$$z(t) = z_0 + \int_0^t f(z(\tau), \tau) d\tau \dots \dots \quad (2)$$

$$(1)-(2): y(t) - z(t) = y_0 - z_0 + \int_0^t f(y(\tau), \tau) - f(z(\tau), \tau) d\tau$$

$$\|y(t) - z(t)\| \leq \|y_0 - z_0\| + \int_0^t L \cdot \|y(\tau) - z(\tau)\| d\tau$$

If $x(t) \leq a + \int_0^t b x(\tau) d\tau$ and $b > 0$, then $x(t) \leq a e^{bt}$

Proof: Define $q(t) \triangleq \int_0^t b x(\tau) d\tau$, thus

Gronwall-Bellman

$$a + q(t) - x(t) = \Delta(t) \geq 0$$

$$x(t) = a + q(t) - \Delta(t)$$

$$\dot{q}(t) = b x(t) = b \cdot a + b q(t) - b \Delta(t)$$

$$\dot{q} - bq = ba - b \Delta(t)$$

$$q(t) = \int_0^t e^{b(t-\tau)} (ba - b \Delta(\tau)) d\tau$$

$$\leq ba \int_0^t e^{b(t-\tau)} d\tau = a(e^{bt} - 1)$$

$$\text{Thus } q(t) \leq a e^{bt} - a ; x(t) \leq a + q(t) \leq a e^{bt}$$

$$\text{Therefore : } \|y(t) - z(t)\| \leq \|y_0 - z_0\| e^{Lt} \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$$

See Thm 3.4 in the book for a stronger version, i.e. if the dynamics $f(x, t)$ is also perturbed,

Example: Apply the theorem to linear systems:

$$\dot{x} = Ax, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

What is the Lipschitz constant?

$$L = \sup \frac{\|Ax\|}{\|x\|}, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$= \sigma(A)$ (Largest singular value of A)

$$\text{Thus : } \|y(t) - z(t)\| \leq \|y_0 - z_0\| e^{\sigma(A)t}$$

$$\text{Suppose that } A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\sigma(A_1) = \sigma(A_2) = 1$, but:

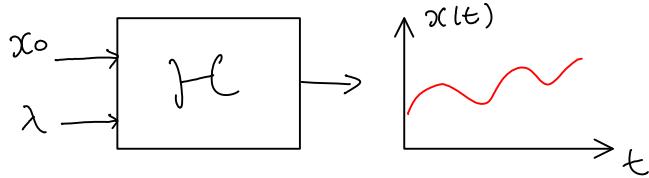
$$\begin{aligned} y_1(t) &= y_0 \cdot e^t \\ z_1(t) &= z_0 \cdot e^t \\ \|y_1(t) - z_1(t)\| &= \|y_0 - z_0\| e^t \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} y_2(t) &= y_0 e^{-t} \\ z_2(t) &= z_0 e^{-t} \\ \|y_2(t) - z_2(t)\| &= \|y_0 - z_0\| e^{-t} \end{aligned} \right.$$

Lipschitz constant tends to give worst case (conservative) bound.

Parameterized Systems

$$\dot{x} = f(x, t, \lambda), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \lambda \in \Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^p, \quad t \in [0, T]$$

λ are the system parameters.



See Thm 3.5 about continuity of H w.r.t x_0 and λ .

Sufficient conditions:

1. $f(x, t, \lambda)$ is Lipschitz in x (uniformly in t, λ)
2. $f(x, t, \lambda)$ is uniformly continuous

Sensitivity w.r.t parameter variation

Consider the system trajectory:

$$x(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f(x(\tau, \lambda), \tau, \lambda) d\tau$$

Differentiate w.r.t λ :

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial \lambda}(t) = \int_0^t \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \lambda} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \lambda} \right) d\tau$$

Denote $\frac{\partial x}{\partial \lambda}(t) \equiv S(t)$

$$\hookrightarrow S \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$$

Thus:
$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} s + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \lambda}$$

Note: $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \lambda}$ are functions of x, t , and λ

Two alternatives for solving the sensitivity equation:

Method 1:

1. Solve $x(t, x_0, \lambda_0)$
2. Compute the Jacobian $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \lambda}$
3. Solve the sensitivity equation as (most probably numerically)

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = A(t) s + B(t)$$

Method 2: Consider s as extra state variables, then solve s together with x .

Example:

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x, \quad x(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ nominal parameter } \lambda_0 = 0$$

Thus:

- 1) We solve for $x(t, x_0, \lambda_0)$ and obtain:

$$x_1(t) = \sin t$$

$$x_2(t) = \cos t$$

- 2) $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial \lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

3) Sensitivity equation:

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad s(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} s + \begin{bmatrix} \sin t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad s(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^{At} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$s(t) = \int_0^t \begin{bmatrix} \cos(t-\tau) \sin \tau \\ -\sin(t-\tau) \sin \tau \end{bmatrix} d\tau$$

