Repetitive processes

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Discrete linear repetitive processes

- Let $\alpha < \infty$ denote the (constant) pass length
- Let $0 \ge p \ge \alpha 1$ be a point on each pass k, $k \ge 0$

• Let

- $-x_k(p) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ state vector
- $y_k(p) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ output vector
- $-u_k(p) \in \mathbb{R}^l$ input vector
- $d_l \in \mathbb{R}^n$ vector with constant entries
- $-y(p) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ vector, whose entries are known functions of p

State space model of linear repetitive process

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1}(p+1) &= A x_{k+1}(p) + B u_{k+1}(p) + B_0 y_k(p) \\ y_{k+1}(p) &= C x_{k+1}(p) + D u_{k+1}(p) + D_0 y_k(p) \end{aligned}$$

where A, B, B_0 , C, D, D_0 are matrices of appropriate dimensions: $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $\mathbb{R}^{n \times l}$, $\mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $\mathbb{R}^{n \times l}$, $\mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ respectively **initial conditions:**

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_{k+1}(0) &=& d_{k+1}, : k \geq 0 \\ y_0(p) &=& y(p), : 0 \leq p \leq \alpha - 1 \end{array}$$

Static boundary conditions



Dynamic boundary conditions



Linear repetitive processes — illustration



Linear repetitive processes — state



Linear repetitive processes — output



Applications

- Coal mining
- Web forming
- Metal rolling
- Iterative learning control

Coal mining



Coal mining — details



Web forming process



Rectification process of multiplicity mixtures in multiplate columns



 $\{x(i,t), y(i,t)\}$ — unknown concentration of liquid and steam components of substance at *i*-th plate

Rectification process of multiplicity mixtures in multiplate columns — cont.

$$\frac{dx(i,t)}{dt} = L_{i+1}(t)x(i+1,t) + L_i(t)x(i+1,t) + R_i(x(i,t),y(i,t)) + u_x(i,t)$$

$$\frac{\frac{dy(i,t)}{dt}}{-R_i(x(i,t),y(i,t)) + V_i(t)y(i+1,t)} = \frac{V_{i-1}(t)y(i-1,t) + V_i(t)y(i+1,t)}{-R_i(x(i,t),y(i,t)) + u_y(i,t)}$$

L, V, R are given hydrodynamic background

For details see: Demidenko N.D.:

Simulation and optimization of heat and mass transfer process in chemical engineering , Moscow, Nauka, 1991, (in Russian)

Metal rolling



- y_{k-1} previous thickness of metal strip
- y_k current thickness of metal strip

Metal rolling — details



Metal rolling — model

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1}(p+1) &= A x_{k+1}(p) + B u_{k+1}(p) + B_0 y_k(p) \\ y_{k+1}(p) &= C x_{k+1}(p) + D u_{k+1}(p) + D_0 y_k(p) \end{aligned}$$
$$u_k(p) &= F_M(p) \\ x_k(p) &= \left[y_k(p-1) y_k(p-2) y_{k-1}(p-1) y_{k-1}(p-2) \right]^T \\ A &= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_4 & a_5 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \ B &= \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \ B_0 &= \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ C &= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_4 & a_5 \end{bmatrix}, \ D &= b, \ D_0 &= a_3. \end{aligned}$$

Metal rolling — continued

where

$$a_{1} = \frac{2M}{\lambda T^{2} + M}, \quad a_{2} = \frac{-M}{\lambda^{2}T + M}, \quad a_{3} = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda T^{2} + M} \left(T^{2} + \frac{M}{\lambda_{1}}\right),$$
$$a_{4} = \frac{-2\lambda M}{\lambda_{1}(\lambda T^{2} + M)}, \quad a_{5} = \frac{\lambda M}{\lambda_{1}(\lambda T^{2} + M)}, \quad b = \frac{-\lambda T^{2}}{\lambda_{2}(\lambda T^{2} + M)}.$$

Metal rolling — notation

- $y_{k-1}(t)$ and $y_k(t)$ thickness of the metal on the current and previous pass respectively,
- M lumped mass of the roll-gap adjusting mechanism,
- λ_1 the stiffness of the adjustment mechanism spring,
- λ_2 the hardness of the metal strip,
- $\lambda = \frac{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}$ the composite stiffness of the metal strip and the roll mechanism,
- $F_M(t)$ the force developed by the motor,
- *T* sampling period.

Iterative learning control

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x(p+1) &=& Ax(p) + Bu(p) \\ y(p) &=& Cx(p) \end{array}$$

Control aim:

$$|y(p) - y_r(p)| < \epsilon \quad p = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

Iterative control rule:

$$u(p, k+1) = u(p, k) + \Delta u(p, k)$$

2D case

(1) may be rewritten as

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x(p+1,k) &=& Ax(p,k) + Bu(p,k) \\ && y(p) &=& Cx(p) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcrcrcr} x(0,k) &=& x_0 & k &=& 0,1,\dots \\ u(p,0) &=& 0 & p &=& 1,2,\dots,N \end{array}$$

Control rule is said to be convergent iff

$$y(p,k) \to y_r(p), \quad p \in \{1,\ldots,N\}, \quad k \to \infty.$$

Control error

Let:

$$e(p,k) = y_r(p) - y(p,k).$$

Then

$$e(p, k+1) - e(p, k) = -CA\eta(p, k) - CB\Delta u(p-1, k)$$

where

$$\eta(p,k) = x(p-1,k+1) - x(p-1,k).$$

Towards 2D model

Hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} \eta(p+1,k) \\ e(p,k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ -CA & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \eta(p,k) \\ e(p,k) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ -CB \end{bmatrix} \Delta u(p-1,k)$$

Finally, assumption

$$\Delta u(p,k) = Ke(p+1,k)$$

Final 2D model

leads to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \eta(p+1,k)\\ e(p,k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & BK\\ -CA & I-CBK \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \eta(p,k)\\ e(p,k) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\eta(1,k) = 0 \quad k = 0,1,\dots$$
$$e(p,0) = y_r(p) - CA^p x_0 \quad p = 1,2,\dots,N$$

convergence condition (asymptotic stability)

r(I - CBK) < 1

ILC — continuous case

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$$
$$y(t) = Cx(t)$$

where

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}^P, \{u(t), 0 \le t \le T\}.$$

Continuous case 2D approach

Aim of control

$$\sup_{0 < t \le T} |y(t) - y_r(t)| < \epsilon, \ 0 < t \le T$$
(2) is modelled as

$$\frac{\partial x(t,k)}{\partial t} = Ax(t,k) + Bu(t,k)$$
$$y(t,k) = Cx(t,k)$$

where k is the iteration number

Continuous case 2D approach — continued

Learning rule

$$u(t, k+1) = u(t, k) + \Delta u(t, k)$$

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input modification

Initial conditions

$$\begin{array}{rcrcrcr} x(0,k) &=& x_0, & k &=& 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ u(t,0) &=& u_0(t), & & 0 < t \leq T \end{array}$$

Learning rule

Let:

$$e(t,k) = y_r(t) - y(t,k)$$

$$\eta(t,k) = \int_0^t [x(t,k+1) - x(t,k)] dt.$$

Learning rule II

Then, one may show that

$$\frac{\partial \eta(t,k)}{\partial t} = A\eta(t,k) + B \int_{0}^{t} \Delta u(\tau,k) d\tau$$

and

$$e(t, k+1) - e(t, k) = -CA\eta(t, k) - CB \int_{0}^{t} \Delta u(\tau, k) d\tau.$$

Learning rule III

Assume that $y_r(t)$ is differentiable

$$\Delta u(t,k) = K \frac{\partial e(t,k)}{\partial t}.$$

The continuous - discrete Roesser model

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \eta(t,k)}{\partial t} \\ e(t,k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & BK \\ -CAI - CBK \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \eta(t,k) \\ e(t,k) \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$\eta(0,k) = 0, \ k = 0, 1, \dots$$
$$e(t,0) = y_r(t) - Ce^{At}x_0 - \int_0^t Ce^{A(t-\tau)}Bu_0(\tau)d\tau$$

convergence condition (asymptotic stability)

$$r(I - CBK) < 1$$