

Moment stability for linear systems with a random parametric excitation

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Abstract

Moment stability for linear systems with a non-white parametric noise is considered. A method of reduction of the study of this stability to the study of stability for large-scale matrices is proposed. Mean square stability diagrams for random harmonic oscillator are presented.

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1 Introduction.

Stability and stabilization is a fundamental objective in the design of controllers. This work deals with a stability for the following linear ordinary differential equation in R^N

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax + \xi(t)Cx, \quad 0 < t < \infty, \quad (1)$$

where A, C are $N \times N$ deterministic matrices and $\xi(t)$ is a stochastic process. We investigate p -stability, that is, asymptotic stability of the p th moments of the solution of equation (1) for p to be a positive integer.

There are necessary and sufficient conditions of such stability, if $\xi(t)$ is the white noise [5-7]. If the process $\xi(t)$ is non-white and has continuous trajectories, the study of stability turn out to be complicated. In this case there are necessary and sufficient conditions of moment stability only if $\xi(t)$ is a Gaussian process and the Lie algebra generated by the matrices A, C is solvable [1,10-12].

In this paper we consider the process $\xi(t)$ of the form

$$\xi(t) = \sin(\alpha w(t)), \quad (2)$$

where α is a nonrandom parameter and $w(t)$ is Wiener process. We propose a method that reduces the study of moment stability for the equation (1) with the

noise of the form (2) to the stability of nonrandom large-scale matrices. Using this method and numeric computation we get diagrams of 2-stability (mean square stability) for the random harmonic oscillator.

2 Equations for moments.

Let us start first from the mean value $Ex(t)$ of the solution of equation (1) with excitation (2) and nonrandom initial value $x(0)$. The solution of (1) is a functional with respect to the process $w(s)$, $0 \leq s \leq t$, and therefore we shall write $x(t) = x(t; w(s))$.

Let

$$v_0(t) := Ex(t; w(s)), \quad v_k(t) := \frac{1}{(2i)^k} \exp\left\{\frac{-k^2 \alpha^2 t}{2}\right\} [Ex(t; w(s) + ik\alpha s) + (-1)^k Ex(t; w(s) - ik\alpha s)], \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

To evaluate the mean value $v_0(t) = Ex(t)$ of the solution of equation (3) with nonrandom initial value $x(0)$ the following infinite chain of linear differential equations was obtained in the paper [2]:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dv_0}{dt} &= Av_0 + Cv_1, \\ \frac{dv_1}{dt} &= -\frac{\alpha^2}{2}v_1 + Av_1 + Cv_2 + \frac{1}{2}Cv_0, \\ \frac{dv_k}{dt} &= -\frac{k^2 \alpha^2}{2}v_k + Av_k + Cv_{k+1} + \frac{1}{4}Cv_{k-1}, \quad k = 2, 3, \dots, \\ v_0(0) &= x(0), \quad v_k(0) = \frac{1}{(2i)^k} [1 + (-1)^k]x(0), \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Consequently, the 1-stability of equation (1), (2) is equivalent to the asymptotic stability of the chain (4). Note that (see [3]) one can also obtain a similar chain when $\xi(t)$ is an Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process.

One can easily obtain a similar chain for higher order moments in the following way. Let us introduce under [4,5] the binominal coefficient $b(N, p) = \binom{N+p-1}{p}$ and the vector $x^{[p]}(t) \in R^{b(N,p)}$ of all p -th forms of the components of the vector $x(t)$:

$$x^{[p]}(t) = \text{col}(x_1(t)^p, \mu_1^p x_1(t)^{p-1} x_2(t), \dots, x_N(t)^p),$$

where parameters μ_i^j are chosen so as to obtain $\|x^{[p]}(t)\| = \|x(t)\|^p$ for the Euclidean norm of vectors.

For vector $x^{[p]}(t)$ we have under (1) the equation

$$\frac{dx^{[p]}}{dt} = A_{[p]}x^{[p]} + \xi(t)C_{[p]}x^{[p]},$$

where the matrices $A_{[p]}, C_{[p]}$ are determined from the matrices A, C [4,5]. Using the previous approach one can obtain for $Ex^{[p]}(t)$ the chain (3) with $A_{[p]}, C_{[p]}$ instead of A, C . So without loss of generality one can investigate only the 1-stability.

3 Stability for the chain.

Let Q_n be the following $nN \times nN$ block matrix

$$Q_n := \begin{pmatrix} A & C & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}C & A & C & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4}C & A & C & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \frac{1}{4}C & A \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$P_n := \text{diag}(0, -\frac{\alpha^2}{2}E, \dots, -\frac{(n-1)^2\alpha^2}{2}E), \quad S_n := \text{diag}(0, \dots, 0, C),$$

$$u_n(t) := \text{col}(v_0(t), \dots, v_{n-1}(t)),$$

with E - $N \times N$ identity matrix. We can rewrite (3) in the following form:

$$\frac{du_n}{dt} = P_n u_n + Q_n u_n + S_n v_n, \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{dv_k}{dt} = -\frac{k^2\alpha^2}{2}v_k + Av_k + Cv_{k+1} + \frac{1}{4}Cv_{k-1}, \quad k = n, n+1, \dots \quad (5)$$

Denote by λ_j , $j = 1, \dots, nN$, eigenvalues of matrix $P_n + Q_n$. We show that the stability of this matrix, namely the signs of real parts of its eigenvalues, for sufficiently large n is crucial in the study of 1-stability for equation (1), (2).

Assume that there exists a $\gamma > 0$ such that for sufficiently large n

$$\max_j \text{Re } \lambda_j < -\gamma. \quad (6)$$

Denote by $\|\cdot\|$ the Euclidean norm for vectors and induced norm for matrices. It is known [8] that

$$\|Q_n\| \leq \|Q_n\|_1 \|Q_n\|_\infty,$$

where $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ is the maximum column sum norm and maximum row sum norm respectively. It follows from this and the form of matrix Q_n that there exists a $c_1 > 0$ such that for all n

$$\|Q_n\| < c_1. \quad (7)$$

Using the triangular factorization [8], there exists a unitary matrix U_n such that

$$U_n(P_n + Q_n)U_n' = D_n + B_n,$$

where

$$D_n = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{nN}), \quad B_n = (a_{ij}), \quad a_{ij} = 0, \quad i \geq j, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, nN.$$

Since (7) there exists a $c_2 > 0$ such that for all n

$$\|B_n\| < c_2. \quad (8)$$

Let V_n be a diagonal matrix:

$$V_n = \text{diag}(1, \delta^{-1}, \delta^{-2+1/2}, \dots, \delta^{-2+2^{2-nN}}), \quad \delta \in (0, 1).$$

It follows from (4) that the vector $z_n = V_n U_n u_n$ satisfies the equation

$$\frac{dz_n}{dt} = D_n z_n + V_n B_n V_n^{-1} z_n + V_n U_n S_n v_n, \quad (9)$$

where

$$V_n B_n V_n^{-1} = (a_{ij} \delta^{2^{2-i} - 2^{2-j}}).$$

Using (8), we have that for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist $\delta \in (0, 1)$, $n_0 > 0$ such that for $n > n_0$

$$\|V_n B_n V_n^{-1}\| < \varepsilon. \quad (10)$$

From (9) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\|z_n\|^2}{dt} &= (D_n z_n, \bar{z}_n) + (\bar{D}_n \bar{z}_n, z_n) + (V_n \bar{B}_n V_n^{-1} \bar{z}_n, z_n) \\ &+ (V_n B_n V_n^{-1} z_n, \bar{z}_n) + (V_n \bar{U}_n \bar{S}_n \bar{v}_n, z_n) + (V_n U_n S_n v_n, \bar{z}_n). \end{aligned}$$

Taking into account that $\|V_n\| \leq \delta^{-2}$ and $\|S_n\| = \|C\|$, we obtain

$$|(V_n \bar{U}_n S_n \bar{v}_n, z_n) + (V_n U_n S_n v_n, \bar{z}_n)| \leq \varepsilon \|z_n\|^2 + \varepsilon^{-1} \delta^{-4} \|C\|^2 \|v_n\|^2.$$

Hence,

$$\frac{d\|z_n\|^2}{dt} \leq -2\gamma \|z_n\|^2 + 3\varepsilon \|z_n\|^2 + \varepsilon^{-1} \delta^{-4} \|C\|^2 \|v_n\|^2. \quad (11)$$

Using (5), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\|v_k\|^2}{dt} &= -k^2 \alpha^2 \|v_k\|^2 + (A \bar{v}_k, v_k) + (A v_k, \bar{v}_k) + (C \bar{v}_{k+1}, v_k) \\ &+ (C v_{k+1}, \bar{v}_k) + \frac{1}{4} (C \bar{v}_{k-1}, v_k) + \frac{1}{4} (C v_{k-1}, \bar{v}_k), \quad k = n, n+1, \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\|v_k\|^2}{dt} &\leq -k^2\alpha^2\|v_k\|^2 + 2\|A\|\|v_k\|^2 + \|C\|\|v_k\|^2 + \\ &+ \|C\|\|v_{k+1}\|^2 + \frac{1}{2}\|C\|\|v_k\|^2 + \frac{1}{2}\|C\|\|v_{k-1}\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

From the definition of vectors $v_k(t)$ it follows that the series

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^2\|v_k\|^2, \quad \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{d\|v_k\|^2}{dt}$$

are converged.

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{d\|v_k\|^2}{dt} &\leq \frac{1}{2}\|C\|\|v_{n-1}\|^2 + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} (-k^2\alpha^2 + 2\|A\| + 2,5\|C\|)\|v_k\|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}\|C\|\|v_{n-1}\|^2 + (-n^2\alpha^2 + 2\|A\| + 2,5\|C\|) \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \|v_k\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

If $q_n := n^2\alpha^2 - 2\|A\| - 2,5\|C\|$, then from the previous inequality we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(e^{q_n t} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \|v_k(t)\|^2 \right) \leq \frac{1}{2}\|C\| e^{q_n t} \|v_{n-1}(t)\|^2,$$

and so

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \|v_k(t)\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}\|C\| \int_0^t e^{-q_n(t-s)} \|v_{n-1}(s)\|^2 ds + e^{-q_n t} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \|v_k(0)\|^2.$$

Since $\|v_{n-1}\| \leq \|u_n\| \leq \|V_n^{-1}\|\|z_n\| \leq \|z_n\|$ and

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \|v_k\|^2 \leq \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{\|x(0)\|^2}{4^{k-1}} \leq \frac{\|x(0)\|^2}{3 \cdot 4^{n-2}},$$

we obtain

$$\|v_n(t)\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}\|C\| \int_0^t e^{-q_n(t-s)} \|z_n(s)\|^2 ds + \frac{\|x(0)\|^2}{3 \cdot 4^{n-2}} e^{-q_n t}. \quad (12)$$

Let $\eta := 2\gamma - 3\varepsilon$. Using Gronwall inequality to (11), we have

$$\|z_n(t)\|^2 \leq \varepsilon^{-1}\delta^{-4}\|C\|^2 \int_0^t \exp\{-\eta(t-s)\} \|v_n(s)\|^2 ds + e^{-\eta t} \|z_n(0)\|^2.$$

Substituting (12) for $\|v_n\|$, we obtain

$$\|z_n(t)\|^2 < \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{-1}\delta^{-4}\|C\|^3 \int_0^t \int_0^s \exp\{-\eta(t-s) - q_n(s-s_1)\} \|z_n(s_1)\|^2 ds_1 ds$$

$$+\varepsilon^{-1}\delta^{-4}\|C\|^2\frac{\|x(0)\|^2}{3\cdot 4^{n-2}}\int_0^t\exp\{-\eta(t-s)-q_ns\}ds+e^{-\eta t}\|z_n(0)\|^2.$$

Let $\varepsilon, n_0 > 0$ be such that $\eta > 0$ and $q_n > \eta$ for $n > n_0$. Therefore for $n > n_0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|z_n(t)\|^2 &< \frac{\|C\|^3}{2(q_n - \eta)\varepsilon\delta^4}\int_0^t e^{-\eta(t-s)}\|z_n(s)\|^2 ds \\ &+ [\|z_n(0)\|^2 + \frac{\varepsilon^{-1}\delta^{-4}\|C\|^2\|x(0)\|^2}{3\cdot 4^{n-2}(q_n - \eta)}]e^{-\eta t}.\end{aligned}\quad (13)$$

Let now $n_1 > n_0$ such that for $n > n_1$

$$p_n := \eta - \frac{\|C\|^3}{2(q_n - \eta)\varepsilon\delta^4} > 0.$$

Taking into account that

$$\begin{aligned}\|z_n(0)\|^2 &= \|V_n U_n u_n(0)\|^2 \leq \|V_n\|^2 \|u_n(0)\|^2 \\ &\leq \delta^{-4} \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} 4^{-k} \|x(0)\|^2 < \frac{4}{3} \delta^{-4} \|x(0)\|^2\end{aligned}$$

and applying Gronwall inequality to (13), we obtain

$$\|z_n(t)\|^2 \leq \frac{4}{3} \delta^{-4} [1 + \frac{\varepsilon^{-1}\|C\|}{4^{n-1}(q_n - \eta)}] e^{-p_n t} \|x(0)\|^2. \quad (14)$$

Thus, we have the mean square stability of equation (1), (2) whenever the condition (6) holds.

Now, we suppose that the matrix Q_n has eigenvalues with positive real parts for sufficiently large n . Without loss of generality let $Re\lambda_j > 0, j = 1, \dots, k, Re\lambda_j \leq 0, j = k+1, \dots, nN$. Moreover, we suppose that there exists a $\sigma > 0$ such that for sufficiently large n

$$Re\lambda_j > \sigma, j = 1, \dots, k, Re\lambda_j \leq 0, j = k+1, \dots, nN. \quad (15)$$

Let $z_n^{(j)}, j = 1, \dots, nN$, be components of vector z_n and

$$F(z_n, v_n, v_{n+1}, \dots) := \frac{1}{2} [\sum_{j=1}^k \|z_n^{(j)}\|^2 - \sum_{j=k+1}^{nN} \|z_n^{(j)}\|^2 - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \|v_k\|^2].$$

By (5), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\|v_n\|^2}{dt} &= (\frac{dv_n}{dt}, \bar{v}_n) + (v_n, \frac{d\bar{v}_n}{dt}) = (-\frac{n^2\alpha^2}{2}v_n + Av_n + Cv_{n+1} + \frac{1}{4}Cv_{n-1}, \bar{v}_n) \\ &+ (v_n, -\frac{n^2\alpha^2}{2}\bar{v}_n + A\bar{v}_n + C\bar{v}_{n+1} + \frac{1}{4}C\bar{v}_{n-1}) = -n^2\alpha^2\|v_n\|^2 + (Av_n, \bar{v}_n)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +(A\bar{v}_n, v_n) + (Cv_{n+1}, \bar{v}_n) + (C\bar{v}_{n+1}, v_n) + \frac{1}{4}[(Cv_{n-1}, \bar{v}_n) + (C\bar{v}_{n-1}, v_n)] \\
& \leq (-n^2\alpha^2 + 2\|A\| + \frac{n}{4}\|C\|)\|v_n\|^2 + \|C\|\|v_{n+1}\|^2 + \frac{1}{4n}\|C\|\|z_{n-1}\|^2 \\
\frac{d\|v_k\|^2}{dt} & \leq (-k^2\alpha^2 + 2\|A\| + \frac{3}{2}\|C\|)\|v_k\|^2 + \|C\|\|v_{k+1}\|^2 + \frac{1}{2}\|C\|\|v_{k-1}\|^2,
\end{aligned}$$

$k = n + 1, n + 2, \dots$.

Therefore by (9) we obtain

$$\frac{dF}{dt} \geq \sum_{j=1}^k \operatorname{Re}\lambda_j \|z_n^{(j)}\|^2 - \sum_{j=k+1}^{nd} \operatorname{Re}\lambda_j \|z_n^{(j)}\|^2 + \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} q_j \|v_j\|^2 + \rho_n \|z_n\|^2,$$

where $q_j = j^2\alpha^2 - 2\|A\| - 3\|C\|$ and by (10) for any $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ there exist $\delta \in (0, 1)$ and n_2 such that for $n > n_2$ we have $|\rho_n| < \varepsilon_1$.

Consequently for sufficiently large n , we have

$$\frac{dF}{dt} \geq \frac{\sigma}{2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{nN} \|z_n^{(j)}\|^2 \right) \geq \sigma F$$

from which

$$F(z_n(t), v_n(t), v_{n+1}(t), \dots) \geq F(z_n(0), v_n(0), v_{n+1}(0), \dots) e^{\sigma t}.$$

Thus equation (1), (2) is not 1-stable when the condition (15) holds.

4 Random harmonic oscillator.

Consider the equation of harmonic oscillator

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + a\frac{dy}{dt} + [1 + \beta\xi(t)]y = 0, \tag{16}$$

where $a > 0$, β are nonrandom parameters and $\xi(t)$ is a random process.

There are many works dealing with stability for this equation (see [9] for a review). Necessary and sufficient conditions of mean square stability of (15) are obtained in the case of white noise process $\xi(t)$ in [7].

We use the results of previous section to obtain exact regions of mean square stability for equation (16) with noise (2).

One can easily obtain that the vector

$$x := \operatorname{col} \left(\left(\frac{dy}{dt} \right)^2, y \frac{dy}{dt}, y^2 \right)$$

satisfies the equation (3) in R^3 with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -2a & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & -a & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2\beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues λ_j , $j = 1, \dots, 3n$, of matrix $P_n + Q_n$ with maximum negative real parts were computed numerically for various n and $\alpha = 0, 1; 1; 4$, $a = 0 \div 3$, $\beta = 0 \div 3$ (Fig. 1); $a = 0, 01$, $\alpha = 0 \div 12$, $\beta = 0 \div 3$ (Fig. 2) with spacing $0, 01$. The results for $n = 40$ and $n = 80$ up to third decimal place are the same. The stability diagrams are presented in Figs. 1-2. The regions of mean square stability are situated below the curves. These regions correspond the eigenvalues of matrix $P_n + Q_n$ for $n = 80$ such that

$$\max_j \operatorname{Re} \lambda_j < -0.0001.$$

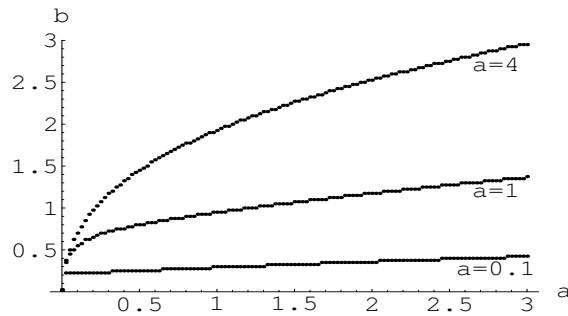


FIG. 1. Stability diagrams for the equation (16) and for the values $\alpha = 0, 1; 1; 4$.

It follows from the Fig. 1 that the regions of mean square stability are increasing with α . The influence of a on growth the region of mean square stability is small when α is small.

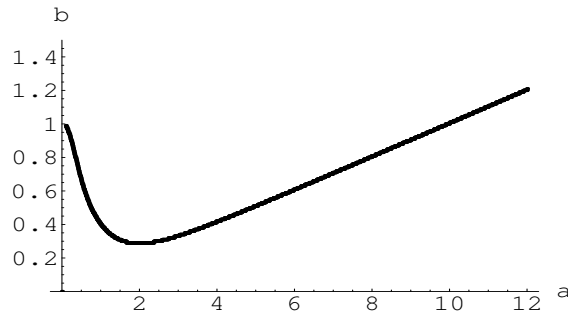


FIG. 2. Stability diagrams for the equation (16) and for the value $a = 0, 01$.

It follows from Fig. 2 that we have the parametric resonance at $\alpha = 2$ if damping a is small. It is well known that this resonance exists also for nonrandom parametric excitation $\xi(t) = \beta \sin(\alpha t)$.

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