

Outline:

- Bilinear transform
- Notes about Lyapunov theory for LTI systems

## 1 Bilinear transform

- The formula:

$$z = \frac{1 + s}{1 - s}$$

- Interpretation and further extensions: the bilinear transform is a special case of “conformal mapping”. It is derived as follows:

$$z = e^{sT} = \frac{e^{sT/2}}{e^{-sT/2}} \approx \frac{1 + s\frac{T}{2}}{1 - s\frac{T}{2}} \tag{1}$$

where the last approximation sign is from the Taylor expansion  $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots$

- Some special mapped values:  $s = 0$  (zero frequency in continuous-time domain)  $\Rightarrow z = 1$ ,  $s = j\infty$  (highest frequency in continuous-time domain)  $\Rightarrow z = -1$ . Notice that  $z = e^{j0} = 1$  (zero frequency in discrete-time domain) and  $z = e^{j\pi} = -1$  ( $\pi$  is the highest frequency (Nyquist frequency) in discrete-time domain).
- Some additional observation: if we “walk along” the imaginary axis then  $1 + sT/2$  and  $1 - sT/2$  are complex conjugates of each other, and thus  $z$  has a unity magnitude.
- The inverse mapping: from (1) we have

$$s = \frac{2z - 1}{Tz + 1}$$

- Extension: say we want to perform another mapping such that the left-hand side of the  $s$  plane is mapped to a unit circle of radius  $r$ . Then we need

$$s = re^{sT} \approx r \frac{1 + s\frac{T}{2}}{1 - s\frac{T}{2}}$$

## 2 Quick notes of LTI Lyapunov theory

	continuous time $\dot{x} = Ax$	discrete time $x(k+1) = Ax(k)$
key equations	$\dot{V} = x^T (A^T P + PA) x$	$V(k+1) - V(k) = x^T(k) (A^T P A - P) x(k)$
Lyapunov equation	$A^T P + PA = -Q$	$A^T P A - P = -Q$
solution (when $A$ is stable)	$P = \int_0^\infty e^{A^T t} Q e^{At} dt$	$P = \sum_{k=0}^\infty (A^T)^k Q A^k$

Interpretations:

- if  $A$  is stable<sup>1</sup> then there exists a quadratic Lyapunov function  $V(x) = x^T P x$  and  $Q$  such that  $P, Q$  satisfy the Lyapunov equation and are positive definite
- if  $A$  is stable and  $Q$  is positive definite, then  $P$  is also positive definite
- if we find one set of positive definite  $P$  and  $Q$  that satisfy the Lyapunov equation, then  $A$  is stable
- if we find one set of  $V$  such that  $V(x)$  and  $\dot{V}(x)$  are both positive definite, then  $A$  is unstable

Solvability conditions:

- the continuous-time Lyapunov equation  $A^T P + PA = -Q$  has a unique solution iff  $\lambda_i(A) + \bar{\lambda}_j(A) \neq 0$  for all  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$
- the discrete-time Lyapunov equation  $A^T P A - P = -Q$  has a unique solution iff  $\lambda_i(A) \lambda_j(A) \neq 1$  for all  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$
- if  $A$  is stable then the Lyapunov equation has a unique solution

<sup>1</sup>Stable here means Hurwitz (all eigenvalues in the left half plane) in continuous-time case and Schur (all eigenvalues inside the unit circle) in discrete-time case.