

The one-step function for discrete-time nonlinear switched singular systems

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1 Introduction

Consider the class of switched systems where each mode is a discrete-time nonlinear singular system without input of the form

$$E_{\sigma(k)}x(k+1) = F_{\sigma(k)}(x(k)), \quad (1)$$

where $k \in \mathbb{N}$ is the time instant, $x(k) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the state, $\sigma: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, p\}$ is the switching signal determining which mode $\sigma(k)$ is active at time instant k , $E_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are singular with a constant rank i.e. $\text{rank} E_i = r < n$, and $F_i(x) = (f_{1,i}(x), f_{2,i}(x), \dots, f_{n,i}(x))^T$ are vector valued functions of nonlinear functions with $f_{j,i}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Define $\mathcal{S}_i := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : F_i(x) \in \text{im} E_i\}$. From basic algebra, there exist invertible matrices $S_i, T_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ such that $S_i E_i T_i = \begin{bmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

By using the state transformation $T_{\sigma(k)}^{-1}x(k) = \begin{pmatrix} v(k) \\ w(k) \end{pmatrix}$, $v \in \mathbb{R}^r$, $w \in \mathbb{R}^{n-r}$, system (1) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v(k+1) \\ w(k+1) \end{pmatrix} &= S_{\sigma(k)} F_{\sigma(k)} \left(T_{\sigma(k)} \begin{pmatrix} v(k) \\ w(k) \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &=: \begin{pmatrix} G_{\sigma(k)}(v(k), w(k)) \\ H_{\sigma(k)}(v(k), w(k)) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Inspired by the one-step map for linear switched singular systems in [1], in this study, we formulate the one-step function for nonlinear switched singular systems under the following assumptions:

Assumption 1.1. For each $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, p\}$, \mathcal{S}_i is a subspace.

Assumption 1.2. $\mathcal{S}_i \cap \ker E_j = \{0\} \forall i, j \in \{0, 1, \dots, p\}$.

Remark 1.3. Since \mathcal{S}_i is a subspace, the nonlinear algebraic constraint $H_i(v, w) = 0$ is equivalent to a linear algebraic constraint. Hence, the nonlinearity appears now only on $G_i(v, w)$. However, we believe that the one-step function proposed in this study could be generalized for cases with \mathcal{S}_i is not necessarily a subspace; this is our ongoing work.

2 Nonswitched Systems

We discuss in this section the solution for nonswitched cases of (1) of the form

$$Ex(k+1) = F(x(k)), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots \quad (3)$$

where $E \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is singular. Recall $\mathcal{S} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : F(x) \in \text{im} E\}$, and suppose that Assumptions (1.1)-(1.2) hold.

Lemma 2.1. System (3) has a solution with initial condition $x(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ if, and only if, $x_0 \in \mathcal{S}$. Its solution is unique

and satisfies

$$x(k+1) = \Phi_{\mathcal{S}}(x(k)) = \Pi_{\mathcal{S}}^{\ker E} E^+ F(x(k)) \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (4)$$

where E^+ is a generalized inverse of E and $\Pi_{\mathcal{S}}^{\ker E}$ is the (unique) projector onto \mathcal{S} along $\ker E$.

Proof sketch: By a state transformation as in (2), system (3) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v(k+1) \\ w(k+1) \end{pmatrix} (k+1) = \begin{pmatrix} G(v(k), w(k)) \\ H(v(k), w(k)) \end{pmatrix}$$

and by Assumption 1.2, $0 = H(v(k), w(k))$ has a solution, and thus (3) has a solution. From (3),

$$x(k+1) \in E^{-1}(F(x(k))) = \{E^+ F(x(k))\} + \ker E \quad (5)$$

and $x(k+1)$ must also satisfy

$$x(k+1) \in \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : F(x) \in \text{im} E\} = \mathcal{S}. \quad (6)$$

By Assumption 1.2 and the projector lemma in [1], $x(k+1)$ satisfies (4) uniquely. \square

3 Switched Systems

Based on the one-step function for nonswitched systems, we have the following theorem about the the one-step function for switched systems of the form (1).

Theorem 3.1. System (1) under Assumptions 1.1-1.2 has a solution with initial condition $x(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ if, and only if, $x_0 \in \mathcal{S}_{\sigma(0)}$. Its solution is unique and satisfies

$$x(k+1) = \Phi_{\sigma(k+1), \sigma(k)}(x(k)), \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \quad (7)$$

where $\Phi_{i,j}$ is the one-step function from mode- j to mode- i given by

$$\Phi_{i,j}(x(k)) := \Pi_{\mathcal{S}_i}^{\ker E_j} E_j^+ F_j(x(k)) \quad (8)$$

where E_j^+ is a generalized inverse of E_j and $\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_i}^{\ker E_j}$ is the (unique) projector onto \mathcal{S}_i along $\ker E_j$.

Proof sketch: The proof is a straightforward generalization from the proof for nonswitched systems by replacing (5)-(6) with

$$x(k+1) \in E_j^{-1}(F_j(x(k))) = \{E_j^+ F_j(x(k))\} + \ker E_j,$$

$$x(k+1) \in \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : F_i(x) \in \text{im} E_i\} = \mathcal{S}_i$$

respectively. \square

References

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