

Boundary feedback for quasilinear wave equations

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Session:

Feedback Control

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J.-M. Coron, B. d'Andréa-Novel & G. Bastin (2007) constructed a strict H^2 -Lyapunov function for the boundary control of hyperbolic systems of conservation laws without source term.

In (2008), they constructed a strict H^2 -Lyapunov for quasilinear hyperbolic systems with dissipative boundary conditions without source term.

More recently in (2015), Coron and Bastin study the Lyapunov stability of the C^1 -norm for quasilinear hyperbolic systems of the first order. They consider W_p^1 -Lyapunov functions for $p < \infty$ and look at the limit for $p \rightarrow \infty$.

J.M. Cordo, S.Ervedoza, S.S. Ghoshal, O. Glass and V. Perrollaz:
Dissipative boundary conditions for 2X2 hyperbolic systems of conservation laws for entropy solutions in BV. J. Differential Equations 262 (2017), no. 1, 1–30.

Controllability and finite time stabilizability (without Friction)

G.L. and E.J.P.G. Schmidt: On the modelling and stabilization of flows in networks of open canals. SIAM J. Control Optim. 41 (2002), no. 1, 164–180.

For Systems with source term (Friction):

M. Dick, M. Gugat & G. L. (2010) considered the isothermal Euler equations with friction with Dirichlet boundary feedback at both ends of the system and introduced a strict H^1 -Lyapunov function.

In (2012), we have defined a strict H^2 -Lyapunov function for this stabilization problem for Dirichlet boundary feedbacks

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Gugat, Martin; Leugering, Günter; Wang, Ke; [Neumann boundary feedback stabilization for a nonlinear wave equation: A strict \$H^2\$ -Lyapunov function.](#) Math. Control Relat. Fields 7 (2017), no. 3, 419–448.

Let a finite time $T > 0$ be given. The system dynamics for the gas flow in a single pipe can be modeled by a hyperbolic system, which is described by the isothermal Euler equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_t + q_x &= 0, \\ q_t + \left(\frac{q^2}{\rho} + a^2 \rho \right)_x &= -\frac{f_g}{2\delta} \frac{q|q|}{\rho},\end{aligned}$$

where $\rho = \rho(t, x) > 0$ is the density of the gas, $q = q(t, x)$ is the mass flux, the constant $f_g > 0$ is a friction factor, $\delta > 0$ is the diameter of the pipe and $a > 0$ is the sonic velocity in the gas. We consider the equations on the domain $\Omega := [0, T] \times [0, L]$.

We use the notation

$$\theta = \frac{f_g}{\delta}$$

and consider positive gas flow in subsonic or subcritical states, that is,

$$0 < \frac{q}{\rho} < a.$$

The isothermal Euler equations give rise to the second-order equation

$$\tilde{u}_{tt} + 2 \tilde{u} \tilde{u}_{tx} - (a^2 - \tilde{u}^2) \tilde{u}_{xx} = \tilde{F}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{u}_x, \tilde{u}_t),$$

where \tilde{u} is the unknown function and satisfies $\tilde{u} = \frac{q}{\rho}$, that is \tilde{u} is the velocity of the gas. The lower order term is

$$\tilde{F}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{u}_x, \tilde{u}_t) = -2 \tilde{u}_t \tilde{u}_x - 2 \tilde{u} \tilde{u}_x^2 - \frac{3}{2} \theta \tilde{u} |\tilde{u}| \tilde{u}_x - \theta |\tilde{u}| \tilde{u}_t.$$

From the velocity \tilde{u} , the density ρ can be obtained from the initial value $\rho(0, \cdot)$ and the differential equation

$$(\ln \rho)_t = \frac{1}{a^2} \left(\tilde{u} \tilde{u}_t + (\tilde{u}^2 - a^2) \tilde{u}_x + \frac{1}{2} \theta |\tilde{u}| \tilde{u}^2 \right).$$

Then q can be obtained from the equation $q = \rho \tilde{u}$.

To stabilize the system governed by the quasilinear wave equation (??) locally around a given stationary state $\bar{u}(x)$, we use the boundary feedback law

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{u}_x(t, 0) &= \bar{u}_x(0) + k \tilde{u}_t(t, 0), \\ \tilde{u}(t, L) &= \bar{u}(L),\end{aligned}$$

with a feedback parameter $k \in (0, \infty)$.

In terms of the physical variables (q, ρ) , the boundary feedback law is

$$\begin{aligned}\text{at } x = 0 : & \quad q_x - (\ln(\rho))_x q = \rho \bar{u}_x(0) + k [q_t - (\ln(\rho))_t q], \\ \text{at } x = L : & \quad q = \bar{u}(L) \rho.\end{aligned}$$

$$\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ q \end{pmatrix} + \hat{A}(\rho, q) \partial_x \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ q \end{pmatrix} = \hat{G}(\rho, q)$$

with the matrix

$$\hat{A}(\rho, q) := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ a^2 - \frac{q^2}{\rho^2} & 2\frac{q}{\rho} \end{pmatrix}$$

and the source term

$$\hat{G}(\rho, q) := \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{\theta}{2} \frac{|q|q}{\rho} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The system has two eigenvalues $\tilde{\lambda}_-(\rho, q)$, $\tilde{\lambda}_+(\rho, q)$ and in the subsonic case we have

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In terms of the Riemann invariants $R_{\pm} = R_{\pm}(\rho, q) = -\frac{q}{\rho} \mp a \ln(\rho)$ our system has the diagonal form

$$\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} R_+ \\ R_- \end{pmatrix} + \hat{D}(R_+, R_-) \partial_x \begin{pmatrix} R_+ \\ R_- \end{pmatrix} = \hat{S}(R_+, R_-),$$

where

$$\hat{D}(R_+, R_-) := \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\lambda}_+ & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{\lambda}_- \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{R_+ + R_-}{2} + a & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{R_+ + R_-}{2} - a \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\hat{S}(R_+, R_-) := -\frac{\theta}{8} (R_+ + R_-) |R_+ + R_-| \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In terms of R_{\pm} , for the physical variables ρ and q we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= \exp\left(\frac{R_- - R_+}{2a}\right), \\ q &= -\frac{R_+ + R_-}{2} \exp\left(\frac{R_- - R_+}{2a}\right). \end{aligned}$$

A gas flow is positive and subsonic (i.e. $0 < q/\rho < a$) if and only if

$$-2a < R_+(t, x) + R_-(t, x) < 0 \text{ for all } (t, x) \in \Omega.$$

For the velocity $\tilde{u} = \tilde{u}(\rho, q)$ we have

$$\tilde{u} = \frac{R_+ + R_-}{-2}, \quad \tilde{u} = \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_+ + \tilde{\lambda}_-}{2}.$$

The second-order quasilinear equation is hyperbolic with the eigenvalues

$$\tilde{\lambda}_- = \tilde{u} - a < 0 < \tilde{\lambda}_+ = \tilde{u} + a.$$

Using the isothermal Euler equations, we obtain the partial derivatives of \tilde{u} with respect to t and x , respectively,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{u}_t &= \frac{q_t}{\rho} - \frac{q\rho_t}{\rho^2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\rho} \left(\frac{q^2}{\rho} + a^2\rho \right)_x - \frac{q\rho_t}{\rho^2} - \frac{\theta}{2} \frac{q|q|}{\rho^2} \\ &= \tilde{u} \frac{\rho_t}{\rho} + (\tilde{u}^2 - a^2) \frac{\rho_x}{\rho} - \frac{\theta}{2} \tilde{u} |\tilde{u}| \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{u}_x = \frac{q_x}{\rho} - \frac{q\rho_x}{\rho^2} = -\frac{\rho_t}{\rho} - \tilde{u}\frac{\rho_x}{\rho}.$$

Multiplying \tilde{u}_t and \tilde{u}_x by \tilde{u} and $\tilde{u}^2 - a^2$, respectively, and adding the two equations we obtain that ρ and q can be obtained from \tilde{u} and the initial data. Note that since $\tilde{u} = \frac{q}{\rho}$, we have the same value for \tilde{u} for λq and $\lambda\rho$ where $\lambda \in (0, 1]$. So we cannot expect to recover the values of (q, ρ) from \tilde{u} without additional information on (q, ρ) . We obtain the equation

$$\ln(\rho)_x = -\frac{1}{a^2} \left(\tilde{u}_t + \tilde{u} \tilde{u}_x + \frac{\theta}{2} |\tilde{u}| \tilde{u} \right).$$

Thus if \tilde{u} is known, the values of ρ can be determined from the value of ρ .

Now we consider the question: Given a constant state $\bar{u} = \lambda \in (0, \infty)$, is there a solution (q, ρ) of the quasilinear system that corresponds to the constant velocity \bar{u} ? For $\lambda = 0$ we obtain the constant solution of where $q = 0$. For $\lambda > 0$ there is a corresponding solution of travelling wave type (in particular the corresponding solution of is not stationary), namely

$$(q(t, x), \rho(t, x)) = (\lambda \alpha(\lambda t - x), \alpha(\lambda t - x))$$

where the function α is given by

$$\alpha(z) = C \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 \theta}{2 a^2} z\right)$$

and $C > 0$ is a positive constant. This can be rewritten in the form

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left((a^2 - \bar{u}^2(x)) \bar{u}_x(x) - \frac{\theta}{2} |\bar{u}(x)| \bar{u}^2(x) \right) = 0.$$

Thus all the stationary solutions must satisfy the equation

$$\bar{u}'(0) = \frac{\theta}{2} \frac{|\bar{u}_0| \bar{u}_0^2}{a^2 - \bar{u}_0^2}.$$

Lemma:

Let a subsonic stationary state $\bar{u}(x) > 0$ for $x \in [0, L]$ that is not constant and satisfies the condition above be given. Let $W_{-1}(x)$ denote the real branch of the Lambert W -function with $W_{-1}(x) \leq -1$. Then the following equation holds for all $x \in [0, L]$:

$$(\bar{u}(x))^2 = \frac{a^2}{-W_{-1}(-\exp(\theta x + \bar{C}))},$$

where \bar{C} is a real constant such that $\bar{C} \leq -1 - \theta L$.

Now we consider non-stationary solutions locally around a subsonic stationary state $\bar{u}(x) > 0$ on Ω

$$u(t, x) = \tilde{u}(t, x) - \bar{u}(x).$$

Then we obtain the equation

$$u_{tt} + 2(\bar{u} + u) u_{tx} - \left(a^2 - (\bar{u} + u)^2 \right) u_{xx} = F(x, u, u_x, u_t), \quad (1)$$

where $F := F(x, u, u_x, u_t)$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \tilde{F}(u + \bar{u}, u_x + \bar{u}_x, u_t) + \frac{a^2 - (\bar{u} + u)^2}{a^2 - \bar{u}^2} \bar{u} \left(2(\bar{u}_x)^2 + \frac{3}{2} \theta |\bar{u}| \bar{u}_x \right) \\ &= \tilde{F}(u + \bar{u}, u_x + \bar{u}_x, u_t) - \frac{a^2 - (\bar{u} + u)^2}{a^2 - \bar{u}^2} \tilde{F}(\bar{u}, \bar{u}_x, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma

Let a subsonic stationary state $\bar{u}(x) > 0$ be given. Choose $T > 0$ arbitrarily large. There exist constants $\varepsilon_0(T) > 0$ and $C_T > 0$, such that if the initial data $(\varphi(x), \psi(x)) \in C^2([0, L]) \times C^1([0, L])$ satisfies

$$\max \{ \|\varphi(x)\|_{C^2([0, L])}, \|\psi(x)\|_{C^1([0, L])} \} \leq \varepsilon_0(T)$$

and the C^2 -compatibility conditions are satisfied at the points $(t, x) = (0, 0)$ and $(0, L)$, then the initial-boundary problem (1)-(4) has a unique solution $u(t, x) \in C^2([0, T] \times [0, L])$. Moreover the following a priori estimate holds:

$$\|u\|_{C^2([0, T] \times [0, L])} \leq C_T \max \{ \|\varphi(x)\|_{C^2([0, L])}, \|\psi(x)\|_{C^1([0, L])} \}.$$

$$t = 0 : u = \varphi(x), \quad u_t = \psi(x), \quad x \in [0, L] \quad (2)$$

$$x = 0 : u_x = k u_t, \quad (3)$$

$$x = L : u = 0, \quad (4)$$

In the sequel we consider

$$E_1(t) = \int_0^L h_1(x) \left((a^2 - (\bar{u} + u)^2) u_x^2 + u_t^2 \right) - 2 h_2(x) \left((\bar{u} + u) u_x^2 + u_t u_x \right) dx$$

since according to the previous considerations, this is a natural candidate to define a Lyapunov function for our system.

To show the exponential decay with respect to the H^2 -norm, it is necessary to deal with the second order derivatives. Therefore we also introduce $E_2(t)$ which is defined analogously to E_1 to show the decay of the partial derivatives of second order. We define

$$E_2(t) = \int_0^L h_1(x) \left((a^2 - (\bar{u} + u)^2) u_{xx}^2 + u_{tx}^2 \right) - 2 h_2(x) \left((\bar{u} + u) u_{xx}^2 + u_{tx} u_{xx} \right) dx.$$

We define the Lyapunov function $E(t)$ as

$$E(t) = E_1(t) + E_2(t). \quad (5)$$

We show that $E(t)$ as defined in is bounded above and below by the product of appropriate constants and the square of the H^2 -norm of u .

Consider the system

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{u}_{tt} + 2\tilde{u}\tilde{u}_{tx} - (a^2 - \tilde{u}^2)\tilde{u}_{xx} = \tilde{F}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{u}_x, \tilde{u}_t), \\ \tilde{u}_x(t, 0) = \bar{u}_x(0) + k\tilde{u}_t(t, 0), \quad t \in [0, T], \\ \tilde{u}(t, L) = \bar{u}(L), \quad t \in [0, T], \\ t = 0: \tilde{u} = \varphi(x) + \bar{u}(x), \quad \tilde{u}_t = \psi(x), \quad x \in [0, L] \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

Theorem: (Exponential Decay of the H^2 -Lyapunov Function). Let a real number $\gamma \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$ be given. Choose a real number $k > 0$ such that

$$a(1 - \gamma)k > 1.$$

Let a stationary subsonic state $\bar{u}(x) \in C^2(0, L)$ be given that satisfies

$$\bar{u}'(0) = \frac{\theta |\bar{u}_0| \bar{u}_0^2}{2 a^2 - \bar{u}_0^2}.$$

Assume that for all $x \in L$ we have $\bar{u}(x) \in (0, \gamma a)$. Assume that for $K_\partial(k, \bar{u}_0)$ as given by

$$K_\partial(k, \bar{u}_0) = 2 \left[\frac{4}{k^2} + \frac{2 \bar{u}_0}{k} + \theta \frac{\bar{u}_0^4 + 3a^2 \bar{u}_0^2 + \frac{2}{k} a^2 \bar{u}_0}{2(a^2 - \bar{u}_0^2)} + \frac{5}{2} \frac{\theta}{k^2} + \frac{\theta}{k} \frac{3a^2 \bar{u}_0 - \bar{u}_0^3}{a^2 - \bar{u}_0^2} \right]^2.$$

we have

$$2 k^2 K_{\partial}(k, \bar{u}(0)) \leq a^2 - \left(\bar{u}(0) + \frac{2}{k} \right)^2.$$

Assume that $\|\bar{u}\|_{C^2([0,L])}$ is sufficiently small such that $\|\bar{u}\|_{C([0,L])} < \varepsilon_1(2 k^2)$ holds.

Let $T > 0$ be given. If the initial data satisfies

$$\|(\varphi(x), \psi(x))\|_{C^2([0,L]) \times C^1([0,L])} \leq \varepsilon_0(T)$$

and the C^2 -compatibility conditions at the points $(t, x) = (0, 0)$ and $(t, x) = (0, L)$.

Then the initial-boundary value problem (6) for \tilde{u} has a unique classical solution $\tilde{u} \in C^2([0, T] \times [0, L])$. Define the number

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2eLk} - \kappa \geq \frac{1}{4eLk}.$$

Then we have

$$E_1(t) \leq E_1(0) \exp(-\mu t) \text{ for all } t \in [0, T],$$

$$E(t) \leq E(0) \exp(-\mu t) \text{ for all } t \in [0, T]$$

that is $E_1(t)$ and $E(t)$ are strict Lyapunov functions for our control system (6).

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