

Solving Matrix Equations via Empirical Gramians

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About

In system theory, the so-called system Gramian matrices are operators encoding certain properties of an underlying input-output system. Usually, these system Gramians are computed as solutions to matrix equations, such as the Lyapunov equation and Sylvester equation. This means, the solution to certain matrix equations coincides with these system Gramians. Now, if the system Gramians are computable by other means than matrix equations, they still represent solutions to matrix equations. Empirical Gramians are such an alternative for system Gramian computation, which are based on their system-theoretic operator definition, and practically obtained via quadrature. This contribution explores the connection between matrix equations, system Gramians and empirical Gramians, and proposes empirical Gramians as potential solver for matrix equations.

Continuous-Time
Linear Time-Invariant System

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t)\end{aligned}$$

Discrete-Time
Linear Time-Invariant System

$$\begin{aligned}x_{k+1} &= Ax_k + Bu_k \\ y_k &= Cx_k\end{aligned}$$

Lyapunov Equation

Lyapunov Equation

$$AW + WA^T = -Y$$

rrSVD

Factor RHS

$$AW + WA^T = -BB^T$$

lbP

Controllability Gramian

$$W = \int_0^\infty e^{At} BB^T e^{A^T t} dt$$

≈

Empirical Controllability Gramian

$$\tilde{W} = \frac{\Delta t}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M X_m(A, B) X_m(A, B)^T$$

tSVD

Low Rank Empirical Gramian

$$\tilde{W} = \frac{\Delta t}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M \tilde{X}_m(A, B) \tilde{X}_m(A, B)^T$$

Sylvester Equation

Sylvester Equation

$$AW + WF = -Y$$

rrSVD

Factor RHS

$$AW + WF = -BH$$

lbP

Cross Gramian

$$W = \int_0^\infty e^{At} B H e^{F^T t} dt$$

≈

Empirical Cross Gramian

$$\tilde{W} = \frac{\Delta t}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M X_m(A, B) X_m(F, H)^T$$

tSVD

Low Rank Empirical Gramian

$$\tilde{W} = \frac{\Delta t}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M \tilde{X}_m(A, B) \tilde{X}_m(F, H)^T$$

(Symmetric) Stein Equation

Stein Equation

$$AWA^T - W = -Y$$

rrSVD

Factor RHS

$$AWA^T - W = -BB^T$$

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Controllability Gramian

$$W = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A^k BB^T (A^T)^k$$

≈

Empirical Controllability Gramian

$$\tilde{W} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M X_m(A, B) X_m(A, B)^T$$

tSVD

Low Rank Empirical Gramian

$$\tilde{W} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M \tilde{X}_m(A, B) \tilde{X}_m(A, B)^T$$

Riccati Equation

Riccati Equation

$$AW + WA^T = -Y - WZW$$

rrSVD

Factor RHS

$$AW + WA^T = -BB^T - WC^T CW$$

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Newton Iteration via Lyapunov Equations

$$(A - C^T C W_k) W_{k+1} + W_{k+1} (A - C^T C W_k)^T = -(BB^T + W_k C^T C W_k), W_0 = 0$$

More Matrix Equations

- ▶ Generalized Lyapunov Equation: $AWE^T + EWA^T = BB^T$
- ▶ Generalized Sylvester Equation: $AWE + EWA = BC$
- ▶ Generalized Stein Equation: $A^T WA + EWE^T = BB^T$
- ▶ Cross-Riccati Equation: $AW + WA = -BC - WBCW$

Generalized Continuous-Time
Linear Time-Invariant System

$$\begin{aligned}E\dot{x}(t) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t)\end{aligned}$$

Generalized Discrete-Time
Linear Time-Invariant System

$$\begin{aligned}Ex_{k+1} &= Ax_k + Bu_k \\ y_k &= Cx_k\end{aligned}$$

Notes

- ▶ Choice of time-stepping solver is crucial.
- ▶ Right-hand-sides need to be low-rank.

- ▶ Time varying systems relate to matrix differential equation: $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t) \leftrightarrow \dot{X}(t) = A(t)X(t) + X(t)A(t)^T + B(t)B(t)^T$

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