
ECE-541, Fall 2007
Prob. Theory & Stoch. Proc.

Example: Schur-Cohn Stability

In class when we looked at the Levinson-Durbin recursion we had:

$$\underline{a}^{(p+1)} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{a}^{(p)} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \Gamma_{p+1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ a_R^{(p)} \end{pmatrix}$$

Reversing the order:

$$a_R^{(p+1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ a_R^{(p)} \end{pmatrix} + \Gamma_{p+1} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{a}^{(p)} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose we look at the system function

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1} - 0.1z^{-2} - \frac{1}{2}z^{-3}}$$

Denoting $A_3(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1} - 0.1z^{-2} - \frac{1}{2}z^{-3}$
 $B_3(z) = A_3^R(z) = -\frac{1}{2} - 0.1z^{-1} + \frac{1}{2}z^{-2} + z^{-3}$
and $\Gamma_3 = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ -0.1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ a_2[1] \\ a_2[2] \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ a_2[2] \\ a_2[1] \\ a_2[0] \end{pmatrix}$$

This yields the system:

$$\begin{aligned} a_2[z_1] - \frac{1}{2} a_2[z_2] &= \frac{1}{2} \\ a_2[z_2] - \frac{1}{2} a_2[z_1] &= -0.1 \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_2[z_1] \\ a_2[z_2] \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -0.1 \end{pmatrix}$$

This yields:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_2[z_1] \\ a_2[z_2] \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -0.1 \end{pmatrix}}{1 - \frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.25 \\ 0.10 \\ \hline 0.15 \\ 0.05 \\ \hline 0.2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } a_2[z_1] &= \frac{1}{2} (0.9) \cdot \frac{4}{3} = 0.6 \\ a_2[z_2] &= \left(\frac{1}{4} - 0.1\right) \cdot \frac{4}{3} = 0.2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_2(z) &= 1 + 0.6z^{-1} + 0.2z^{-2} \\ \Gamma_2 &= 0.2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0.6 \\ 0.2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ a_1[z_1] \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0.2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ a_1[z_1] \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{which yields } 1.2 a_1[z_1] &= 0.6 \\ \text{or } a_1[z_1] &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$A_1(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} z^{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Since $\Gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2}$, $\Gamma_2 = 0.2$, $\Gamma_3 = -\frac{1}{2}$ are all less than 1 in magnitude, the system is stable