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Previous Research

Haptics & Bilateral Teleoperation

- Colgate & Brown (1994), Miller *et al.* (2004)
- Hannaford & Ryu (2001)
- Diolatti *et al.* (2006), Lee & Li (2003)
- Hokayem & Spong (2006)

Obstacle avoidance & Potentials—A large literature...

- Khatib (1985), Brock and Khatib (1999)

Stability

- Ortega and Spong (1989)
- Johansson (1990a); Johansson (1990b)
- Molander & Willems (1980), Johansson & Robertsson (2002)



Modeling—Preliminaries

Haptics m-DOF master and an m-DOF slave modeled as

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(M_1(q_1)\ddot{q}_1 + C_1(q_1, \dot{q}_1)\dot{q}_1 + G_1(q_1)) &= \rho(\tau_1 - J_1^T(q_1)F_1) \\ M_2(q_2)\ddot{q}_2 + C_2(q_2, \dot{q}_2)\dot{q}_2 + G_2(q_2) &= \tau_2 - J_2^T(q_2)F_2\end{aligned}\quad (1)$$

where

- ρ —a user-specified power-scaling factor;
- (q_1, q_2) —the configuration coordinates;
- (τ_1, τ_2) —the applied forces or control variables;
- (F_1, F_2) are and the environmental forces.



Modeling—Preliminaries

Introduce the potential energy $\mathcal{U}(q)$, kinetic energy $\mathcal{T}(q, \dot{q})$ and the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}(q, \dot{q}) = \mathcal{T}(q, \dot{q}) - \mathcal{U}(q), \quad (2)$$

Equations of motions are provided by the Euler-Lagrange equations (Goldstein 1950)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q} = \tau \quad (3)$$

A configuration-space dynamic model for a serial robot

$$M(q)\ddot{q} + C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + G(q) = \tau - J^T(q)F, \quad \tau, q \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad (4)$$

where the position coordinates $q \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with associated velocities $\dot{q} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are controlled with the applied torques $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^n$; $M(q)$ being the inertia matrix; $C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q}$ the Coriolis and centripetal forces; $G(q)$ gravitation forces and τ the vector of joint torques.



Modeling—Preliminaries

End-effector coordinates x

$$x(t) = f(q), \quad \dot{x} = J(q)\dot{q}, \quad J(q) = \frac{\partial f(q)}{\partial q} \quad (5)$$

Applied forces τ —control torques τ_R , force actuation τ_F , and obstacle avoidance τ_o

$$\tau = \tau_R + \tau_F + \tau_o \quad (6)$$

$$\tau_F = J^T(q)F, \quad x(t) = f(q), \quad \dot{x} = J(q)\dot{q}, \quad J(q) = \frac{\partial f(q)}{\partial q} \quad (7)$$



Obstacle Avoidance

Artificial potential—Khatib (1985)

$$U_o(x) = U_o(f(q)), \quad F_o = -\frac{\partial U_o}{\partial x} \quad (8)$$

where F_o represents a repulsive force created by the artificial potential U_o .



Stability of Trajectory Control

'Computed torque'

$$\tau_R = C(q, \dot{q})\dot{q} + G(q) - M(q)K_V\dot{\tilde{q}} - M(q)K_P\tilde{q} + M(q)\ddot{q}_r \quad (9)$$

No force interaction

$$M(q)(\ddot{\tilde{q}} + K_V\dot{\tilde{q}} + K_P\tilde{q}) = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$(\ddot{\tilde{q}} + K_V\dot{\tilde{q}} + K_P\tilde{q}) = 0, \quad M(q) > 0, \forall q \quad (11)$$

with error dynamics on state-space form

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\tilde{q}} \\ \tilde{q} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -K_V & -K_P \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\tilde{q}} \\ \tilde{q} \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$



Lyapunov function

Introduction of state-space notation for error dynamics

$$\xi = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{q} \\ \dot{\tilde{q}} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}, \quad \dot{\xi} = A\xi, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} -K_V & -K_P \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (13)$$

A Lyapunov function $V_o(\xi)$ proving stability of the computed torque solutions for unconstrained motion

$$V_o(\xi) = \xi^T P \xi, \quad \frac{dV_o(\xi)}{d\xi} = -\xi^T Q \xi < 0, \quad \|\xi\| \neq 0 \quad (14)$$

$$-Q = PA + A^T P, \quad (15)$$



Force Control and Obstacle Avoidance

Stability of Force Control and Obstacle Avoidance??

$$U_o(x) = U_o(f(q)), \quad F_o = -\frac{\partial U_o}{\partial x} \quad (16)$$

with error dynamics

$$M(q)(\ddot{\tilde{q}} + K_V\dot{\tilde{q}} + K_P\tilde{q}) = \tau_o \quad (17)$$

$$(\ddot{\tilde{q}} + K_V\dot{\tilde{q}} + K_P\tilde{q}) = M^{-1}(q)\tau_o, \quad M(q) > 0 \quad (18)$$

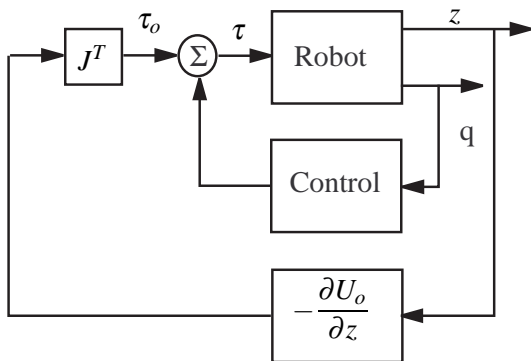
or

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\tilde{q}} \\ \tilde{q} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -K_V & -K_P \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\tilde{q}} \\ \tilde{q} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} M^{-1}(q) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \tau_o \quad (19)$$

$$\tau_o = J^T F_o = -J^T(q) \frac{\partial U_o}{\partial x} \quad (20)$$



Artificial Potential Feedback SPR?



Unless the constrained system is strictly positive real (SPR), the gain margin has a **finite upper limit**, thus restricting the application of artificial potential feedback.



Problem Formulation

Artificial potential field

$$U_o(x) = (x - x_o)^T K_o (x - x_o) \quad (21)$$

Repulsive force

$$F_o = -\frac{\partial U_o}{\partial x} = -K_o (x - x_o) \quad (22)$$

Lur'e-Lyapunov function—Popov criterion

$$V(x, z) = x^T P x + 2\eta \int_0^z \psi^T(\zeta) \kappa d\zeta, \quad P > 0, \eta > 0 \quad (23)$$

with

$$\kappa \psi(z) = \frac{\partial U_o}{\partial x} = K_o (x - x_o), \quad z = (x - x_o) = f(q) - f(q_o) \quad (24)$$

where the second term represents a potential-like term of the Lur'e-Lyapunov function.



Main Result

Modified artificial potential

$$U_o(z) = (z - z_o)^T K_o (z - z_o) \quad (25)$$

$$z = D\dot{\tilde{q}} + K\tilde{q} \quad (26)$$

$$Z(s) = (s^2 I + sK_V + K_P)^{-1} (Ds + K) \quad (27)$$

$$F_o = -\frac{\partial U_o(z)}{\partial z} = -K_o (z - z_o) \quad (28)$$

with D chosen in such a way that the transfer function $Z(s)$ be strictly positive real (SPR)



SPR Design via Riccati Equation

$$0 = PA_0 + A_0^T P + Q - PBB^T P, \quad A = A_0 - BB^T P \quad (29)$$

$$PA + A^T P = -Q - PBB^T P, \quad C = B^T P \quad (30)$$

$$Q = Q^T > 0, \quad P = P^T > 0 \quad (31)$$

Choose

$$A_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ I_n & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} I_n \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad (32)$$

$$0 = PA_0 + A_0^T P + Q - PBB^T P, \quad C = B^T P \quad (33)$$

$$D = K_V = B^T P B, \quad (34)$$

$$K = K_P = B^T P E, \quad (35)$$



Lyapunov Function

Introduce the obstacle avoidance acceleration

$$\alpha_o = M^{-1}(q)\tau_o = M^{-1}(q)J^T(q)\frac{\partial U_o(z)}{\partial z} \quad (36)$$

Consider the Lyapunov function (or storage function)

$$V(\xi, z) = \xi^T P \xi + \eta U_o(z), \quad \eta = \text{constant} \quad (37)$$

$$= \xi^T P \xi + \eta \int_0^z \frac{\partial U_o(\zeta)}{\partial \zeta} d\zeta \quad (38)$$

with the derivative (for proof—see Appendix)

$$\frac{dV(\xi, z)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \alpha_o \end{bmatrix} \mathcal{Q} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \alpha_o \end{bmatrix} < 0, \quad \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \alpha_o \end{bmatrix} \right\| \neq 0 \quad (39)$$

$$0 > \mathcal{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} PA + A^T P & PB - \eta A^T C^T K_o^T \\ B^T P - \eta K_o C A & -\eta (K_o C B + B^T C^T K_o^T) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \alpha_o \end{bmatrix} \quad (40)$$



Design of SPR Obstacle Avoidance

Let the computed-torque open-loop dynamics be described by

$$A_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ I_n & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} I_n \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad (41)$$

and solve the Riccati equation

$$0 = PA_0 + A_0^T P + Q - PBB^T P, \quad C = B^T P \quad (42)$$

$$D = K_V = B^T P B, \quad (43)$$

$$K = K_P = B^T P E, \quad (44)$$



Obstacle Avoidance—Example

$$m\ddot{q} = \tau + F, \quad F = 0 \quad (45)$$

$$\tau_R = -mK_V\dot{\tilde{q}} - mK_P\tilde{q} + m\ddot{q}_r \quad (46)$$

$$\tau_o = -\frac{\partial U_o(z)}{\partial z} \quad (47)$$

$$\tau = \tau_R + \tau_o \quad (48)$$

with the state-space representation

$$\frac{d\xi}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} -K_V & -K_P \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xi + \begin{bmatrix} M^T(q) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \tau_o, \quad \xi = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{q} \\ \dot{\tilde{q}} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad (49)$$

$$z = C\xi = \begin{bmatrix} D & K \end{bmatrix} \xi \quad (50)$$



Obstacle Avoidance—Example (cont'd)

For $m = 1$, $Q = 4I$, $K_o = 10000$, $\eta K_o = 1$, $D = K_V = 5.2362$,
 $K = K_P = 3.2362$,

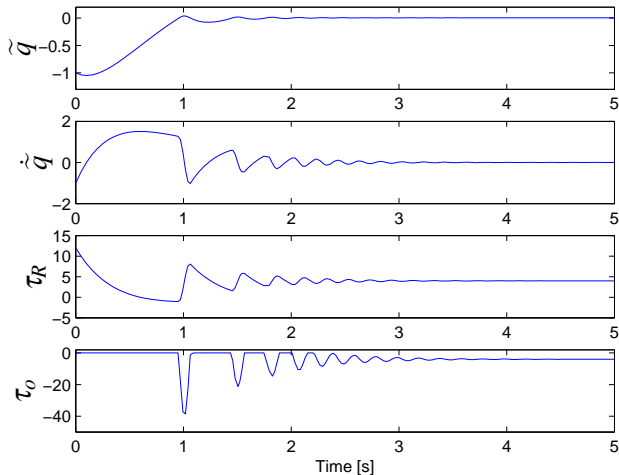
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 5.2360 & 3.2360 \\ 3.2360 & 6.4721 \end{bmatrix} > 0, C = B^T P = [5.2360 \quad 3.2360] \quad (51)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Q} &= \begin{bmatrix} PA + A^T P & PB - A^T C^T \\ B^T P - CA & -(CB + B^T C^T) \end{bmatrix} & (52) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -48.36 & -27.42 & 2.00 \\ -27.42 & -20.94 & 3.24 \\ 2.00 & 3.24 & -10.47 \end{bmatrix} < 0, \quad \sigma(\mathcal{Q}) = \begin{bmatrix} -65.5143 \\ -10.6925 \\ -3.5690 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

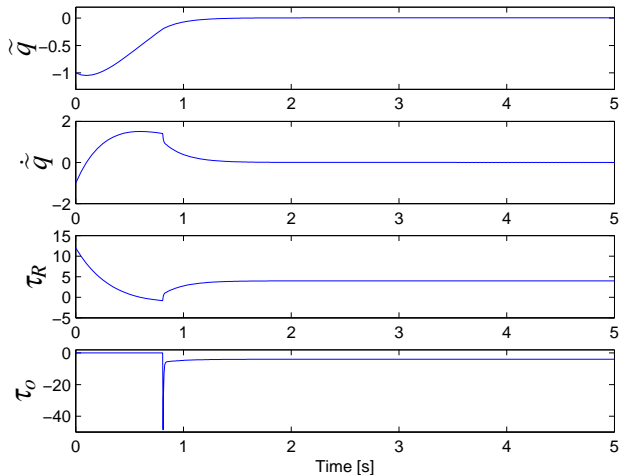


Obstacle repulsion $D = 0$





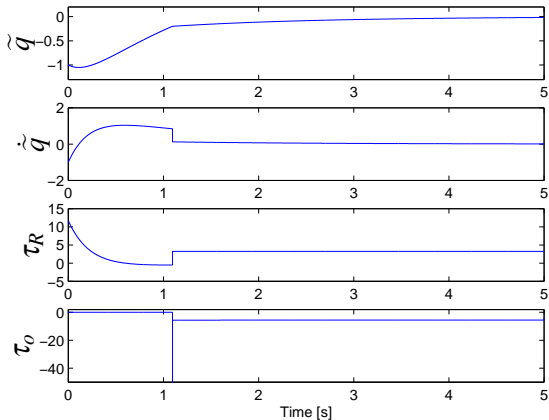
Obstacle repulsion $D = 0.2$





Obstacle repulsion—SPR design

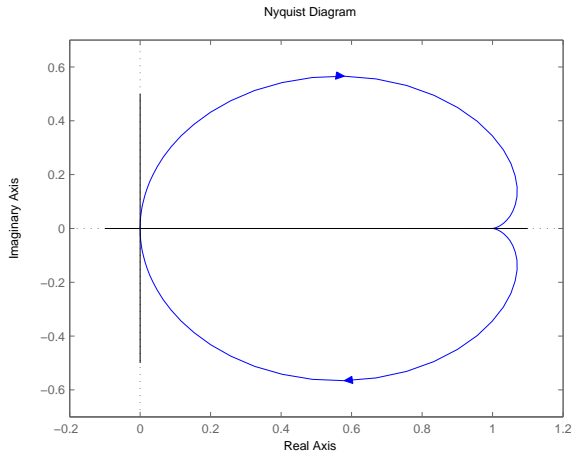
$$D = 5.2362$$



$$K_Q = 10000 \text{ and } D = 5.2362, K = 3.2362$$



Nyquist





Conclusions

- Modified artificial potential functions;
- Impedance variable replaces a position variable;
- Block decomposition into a strict positive real (SPR) block and a passive high-gain block;
- Asymptotic stability;
- Elimination of oscillatory or divergent behavior;
- Strictly positive real (SPR) design.

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Appendix—Stability

Let the obstacle avoidance acceleration be

$$\alpha(z, q) = M^{-1}(q)J^T(q)\frac{\partial U_o(z)}{\partial z} \quad (53)$$

The closed-loop system represented for $\tau_R = \tau_F = 0$

$$\dot{x} = Ax - B\alpha_o(z, q), \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} I_n \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (54)$$

$$z = Cx = [D \quad K]x, \quad CB = D \quad (55)$$



Appendix—Stability

According to the conditions of the Popov criterion (Popov 1961; Khalil 1996; Johansson and Robertsson 2006), the closed-loop system dynamics with feedback interconnection are described by

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ -\dot{z} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ -CA & -CB \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ -\alpha_o(z) \end{bmatrix}, \quad -\alpha_o^T(z)(\alpha_o(z) - \kappa z) \geq 0 \quad (56)$$



Appendix—Stability

The Lyapunov function candidate V and its derivative are

$$V = V(x, z) = x^T P x + 2\eta \int_0^z \alpha_o^T(\zeta) \kappa d\zeta, \quad (57)$$

$$\eta \geq 0, \quad \kappa > 0, \quad \kappa \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m} \quad (58)$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = x^T P \dot{x} + \dot{x}^T P x + 2\eta \alpha_o^T(z) \kappa \dot{z} \quad (59)$$

$$= x^T (PA + A^T P)x - 2x^T PB \alpha_o(z) \quad (60)$$

$$+ 2\eta \alpha_o^T(z) \kappa C (Ax - B \alpha_o(z)) \quad (61)$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ -\alpha_o(z) \end{bmatrix}^T \mathcal{Q} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ -\alpha_o(z) \end{bmatrix} \quad (62)$$

$$\mathcal{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} PA + A^T P & PB - \eta A^T C^T \kappa^T \\ B^T P - \eta \kappa C A & -\eta (\kappa C B + B^T C^T \kappa^T) \end{bmatrix} < 0 \quad (63)$$



Appendix—Stability

In summary, for

$$\mathcal{A}_P = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ -\eta \kappa CA - \kappa C & -\eta \kappa CB - I_m \end{bmatrix} \quad (64)$$

a sufficient condition for asymptotic stability is the existence of a solution to the Lyapunov equation

$$\mathcal{P}_o \mathcal{A}_P + \mathcal{A}_P^T \mathcal{P}_o = -\mathcal{Q} \leq 0, \quad (65)$$

and

$$\mathcal{P}_o = \begin{bmatrix} P & 0 \\ 0 & I_m \end{bmatrix} > 0, \quad \mathcal{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{Q}_{11} & \mathcal{Q}_{12} \\ \mathcal{Q}_{12}^T & \mathcal{Q}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \geq 0, \quad \mathcal{Q}_{11} > 0 \quad (66)$$

which renders $dV/dt < 0$ for $\|x\| \neq 0$ and guarantees existence of a Lyapunov function V .