# Set-Based State Estimation: A Polytopic Approach

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#### Motivation

#### The system

$$x_{k+1} = f(x_k, w_k)$$
$$x_k \in X_k$$
$$w_k \in \mathbb{W}$$

 $y_k = Cx_k + v_k$  $v_k \in \mathbb{V}$ 

EKF, Luenberger Observer, MHE, SSE, etc.

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Construction of the output set

$$H_k = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Cx - y_k \in \mathbb{V} \}$$

Dynamic propagation

$$F(X_{k-1}, \mathbb{W}) = \left\{ f(x_{k-1}, w) \middle| \begin{array}{c} x_{k-1} \in X_{k-1} \\ w \in \mathbb{W} \end{array} \right\}$$

Update process

$$X_k = F(X_{k-1}, \mathbb{W}) \cap H_k$$



 $x_2$ 

### Linear and nonlinear dependencies

$$f(\underline{q+z}, w) = f(q, 0) + A(q)z + B(q)w + \eta(q, z, w)$$

$$A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, 0) \text{ and } B = \frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(x, 0)$$

$$w_k = B(q)w + \eta(q, z, w)$$

$$q_{k+1} = f(q_k, 0)$$

$$z_{k+1} = A(q_k)z_k + \omega_k$$
Linear contribution  $(A(q_k)z_k)$ 

#### Set-based state estimation for uncertain systems

We can add nonlinearities and uncertainties in a unique set

$$\Omega_{k}(q_{k}, Z_{k}) \supseteq \left\{ \begin{array}{c} B(q_{k})w_{k} + \eta_{f}(q_{k}, z_{k}, w_{k}) \\ w_{k} \in \mathbb{W} \end{array} \right\}$$
Uncertainties Nonlinearities

The computation of the set where the state lies is given by

$$Z_{k} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A(q_{k-1})Z_{k-1} \oplus \Omega_{k-1}(q_{k-1}, Z_{k-1}) \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Update}} \cap \begin{bmatrix} H_{k} \ominus \{q_{k}\} \end{bmatrix}}$$



#### Polytopes

Half-space representation  $\mathcal{H}$ -Rep

 $\mathcal{P}(G,h) = \{x | Gx \le h\}$ 

**Basic** operations

**Intersection**  $\mathcal{P}_1(G_1,h_1) \bigcap \mathcal{P}_2(G_2,h_2)$ 

$$\mathcal{P}_{\cap} = \begin{bmatrix} G_1 \\ G_2 \end{bmatrix} x \le \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{bmatrix}$$





**Linear transformation**  $\mathcal{P}_2(G_2, h_2) = S\mathcal{P}_1(G_1, h_1) + q$ 

(01)  $(02, n_2) = 0, 1(01, n_2)$ 

 $\mathcal{P}_2(G_2, h_2) = \mathcal{P}_1(G_1 S^{-1}, h_1 + G_1 S^{-1} q)$ 



#### Polytopes

Minkowski sum 
$$\mathcal{P}_1 \oplus \mathcal{P}_2$$
  
 $\mathcal{P}_1(G_1, h_1) \oplus \mathcal{P}_2(G_2, h_2) \subseteq \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{P}(MG_1, Mh_1 + Nh_2) \\ \text{s.t. } MG_1 = NG_2 \end{array}$   
Necessary Condition



**Facet reduction** 

 $\mathcal{P}_1(G_1,h_1) \subseteq \mathcal{P}_2(G_2,h_2)$ 

 $\mathcal{P}_2(\Lambda G_1, \Lambda h_1)$ Necessary Condition



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#### SSE for Nonlinear Systems using Polytopes

Assumptions

There is a given polytope with uncertainties and nonlinearities.

 $\Omega \subseteq \mathcal{P}_w(G_w h_w)$ 

The noise in the measurements is within a known polytope.

 $\mathbb{V} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_v(G_v, h_v)$ 

The initial state of the system is contained in a polytope.  $x_2$ 

$$X_0 \subseteq \mathcal{P}_0(G_0, h_0)$$

Propagation step

$$\mathcal{P}_{k+1|k}(G_{k+1|k}, h_{k+1|k}) \supseteq A\mathcal{P}_k(G_k, h_k) \oplus \mathcal{P}_{\omega}(G_{\omega}, h_{\omega})$$

Update step  $\mathcal{P}_{k+1}(G_{k+1}, h_{k+1}) \supseteq \mathcal{P}(G_{k+1|k}, h_{k+1|k}) \cap \mathcal{P}_{o,k+1}(G_o, h_o)$ 

> **Output Polytope**  $\mathcal{P}_{o,k+1}(G_o, h_o) = G_{\nu}Cx_{k+1} \le h_{\nu} + G_{\nu}y_{m,k+1}$



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#### Case study: A Double Integrator

$$A := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, C := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

Constraints  $u \in [-1, 1]$ 

$$\omega_k \in \mathcal{P}_w = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} x \le \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Output

$$y_k = Cx + \nu_k$$
$$\nu_k \in [-1, 1]$$

Control

Q = I, R = 1Classic LQR

Initial Conditions

 $x_0 := \begin{pmatrix} 20\\10 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathcal{P}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\0 & 1\\-1 & 0\\0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} x \le \begin{pmatrix} 32\\11\\-15\\-6 \end{pmatrix}.$ 

#### Results



- The method proposed reduced the feasible set.
- In some time steps, the algorithm finds larger approximations than usual. But the result is still consistent and valid.
- In each time step, the corresponding polytope contains the state of the system.
- Our computational experience shows that it is not always possible to find the global solution.

#### **States and Bounds**



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## A simple comparison

Parallelotopes versus polytopes

 $w_k = 0$ 

Output

 $y_k = Cx + \nu_k$  $\nu_k \in [-1, 1]$ 

Initial polytope.

$$\mathcal{P}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} x \le \begin{pmatrix} 22 \\ 2 \\ -18 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$



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#### Conclusions

- A new method of set-membership set-based state estimation using polytopes was proposed.
- The estimation method solves only a single NLP to propagate, update, and reduce the polytope in every step time.
- The approach was tested using the double integrator.
- It was demonstrated that the obtained estimates are consistent and valid.
- The computational complexity of the proposed approach is considerable and good initialization procedures are needed.
- Future works will focus on developing a sophisticated tuning method, as well as, testing the method against other set-membership estimation algorithms.

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