

Stability Analysis and Design of Fuzzy Observer-Controller for Fuzzy Systems¹

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Abstract

Stability of a fuzzy system controlled by a fuzzy observer-controller will be investigated in this paper. In general, the stability condition is a common solution of $[p(p+1)+2p]/2$ linear matrix inequalities (LMIs) where p is the number of rules of the fuzzy plant model. In this paper, the number is reduced to $2p+1$. Furthermore, gains of the fuzzy observer-controller can be derived from the solution of the LMIs. Separation principle of the fuzzy observer-controller will be proved.

I. INTRODUCTION

Nonlinear system can be represented by a TSK fuzzy model [1-2]. It expresses the dynamics of the nonlinear plant as a weighted sum of some linear systems. This model can be obtained by using system identification methods [1-2, 7, 14] or direct derivation from the mathematical model. Sufficient stability conditions have been derived for the control systems comprising the fuzzy plant model and a fuzzy controller [5-6, 8-10, 13]. In order to deal with plants with immeasurable system states, fuzzy observer-controllers were proposed [3, 12]. In [3, 12], sufficient stability conditions were derived: there

exists a common positive definite solution $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times 2n}$ in $\frac{p(p+1)}{2}$ linear matrix inequalities (LMIs) [3], where n and p

are numbers of system states and fuzzy rules of the fuzzy plant model respectively. Based on the analysis results in [3, 12] and

let $\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P}_p & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{P}_e \end{bmatrix}$ where $\mathbf{P}_p \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{P}_e \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are

positive definite matrices, the separation principle can be applied [12]. The fuzzy observer-controller control system is guaranteed to be stable if there are common positive definite

solutions $\mathbf{P}_p \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ in $\frac{p(p+1)}{2}$ LMIs and $\mathbf{P}_e \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ in p

LMIs. If the input matrix is linear, a linear closed-loop system can be obtained under some conditions [4]. The contributions of this paper are threefold. First, a fuzzy observer-controller is proposed such that the total number of the LMIs of the stability

conditions is reduced to $2p+1$. The chance of finding the solution will thus be increased. Second, a methodology is derived to design the gains of the fuzzy observer-controller. Third, the separation principle will still hold.

II. FUZZY PLANT MODEL, CONTROLLER AND OBSERVER

The nonlinear plant to be tackled is of the following form,

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}(t))\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}(t))\mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{x}(t))\mathbf{x}(t) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ are known system and input matrices respectively, $\mathbf{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ is the fully or partially immeasurable system state vector and $\mathbf{u}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$ is the input vector; $\mathbf{y}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times 1}$ is the system output vector and $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{x}(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times n}$ is the output matrix. The system of (1) is represented by a fuzzy plant model, which expresses the nonlinear plant as a weighted sum of linear systems. A fuzzy observer-controller is used to close the feedback loop.

A. Fuzzy Plant Model

Let p be the number of fuzzy rules,

Rule i : IF f_1 is M_1^i and ... and f_ψ is M_ψ^i THEN

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{u}(t) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}_i \mathbf{x}(t) \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where M_α^i is a fuzzy term of rule i corresponding to f_α which is a function of the measurable system states or output states of the nonlinear plant, $\alpha = 1, \dots, \psi$, $i = 1, \dots, p$, ψ is a positive integer; $\mathbf{A}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $\mathbf{B}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and $\mathbf{C}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times n}$ are the known system, input and output matrices of the i -th rule sub-system respectively. The system dynamics are described by,

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^p w_i (\mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{u}(t)) \\ \mathbf{y}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{C}_i \mathbf{x}(t) \end{cases}, \quad (3)$$

$$\text{where } \sum_{i=1}^p w_i = 1, w_i \in [0 \ 1] \text{ for all } i \quad (4)$$

$$w_i = \frac{\mu_{M_1^i}(f_1) \times \mu_{M_2^i}(f_2) \times \dots \times \mu_{M_\psi^i}(f_\psi)}{\sum_{k=1}^p (\mu_{M_1^k}(f_1) \times \mu_{M_2^k}(f_2) \times \dots \times \mu_{M_\psi^k}(f_\psi))} \quad (5)$$

is a nonlinear function of the measurable system states or output states, $\mu_{M_k^i}(f_k)$ is the grade of membership of the fuzzy term M_k^i . (Fuzzy modeling is discussed in [1-2, 7, 14].)

B. Fuzzy Observer

A fuzzy observer having p fuzzy rules is to be designed. The j -th rule of the fuzzy observer is of the following format:

Rule j : IF f_1 is M_1^j and ... and f_ψ is M_ψ^j

$$\text{THEN } \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = \mathbf{A}_j \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \mathbf{B}_j \mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{K}_j \mathbf{C}_j \mathbf{e}(t) \quad (6)$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ is the estimate of the system state $\mathbf{x}(t)$,

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$\mathbf{K}_j \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times l}$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$, are the observer gains to be designed, $\mathbf{e}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$. The fuzzy observer has the same antecedents of the fuzzy plant model of (2). The dynamics of the fuzzy observer are described by,

$$\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^p w_j (\mathbf{A}_j \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \mathbf{B}_j \mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{K}_j \mathbf{C}_j \mathbf{e}(t)) \quad (7)$$

It should be noted that although the sub-observer in each rule is a full-state observer, it can be a partial-state observer as w_j can be a function of the known states in addition to $\mathbf{y}(t)$.

C. Fuzzy Controller

A fuzzy controller having p fuzzy rules is to be designed for the plant. The k -th rule is of the following format:

Rule k : IF f_1 is \mathbf{M}_1^k and ... and f_ψ is \mathbf{M}_ψ^k
THEN $\mathbf{u}(t) = m_k(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)) \mathbf{G}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$ (8)

where $\mathbf{G}_k \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is the feedback gain of rule k , $k = 1, 2, \dots, p$; $m_k(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))$ is a scalar gain depending on the estimated states and has the following property,

$$\sum_{k=1}^p w_k m_k(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)) = 1 \quad (9)$$

Both \mathbf{G}_k and $m_k(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))$ are to be designed. Then, the inferred output of the fuzzy controller is given by,

$$\mathbf{u}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^p w_k m_k(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)) \mathbf{G}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \quad (10)$$

III. STABILITY ANALYSIS AND GAIN DESIGN

In the following, we shall analyze the stability and robustness of the fuzzy observer-controller control system and give the design of $m_k(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))$. From (3) and (10), writing $m_k(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))$ as m_k and making use of the properties of (4) and

(9), $\sum_{j=1}^p w_j = \sum_{j=1}^p w_j m_j = 1$, the closed-loop system is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) &= \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \left(\mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}_i \sum_{k=1}^p w_k m_k \mathbf{G}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \right) \\ &= \mathbf{H} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \mathbf{H}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{e}(t) \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where $\mathbf{H}_{ik} = \mathbf{A}_i + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{G}_k - \mathbf{H}$

$\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a stable matrix to be designed. To study the stability of (11), consider the following Lyapunov function.

$$V_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{x}(t) \quad (13)$$

where $\mathbf{P}_p \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a symmetric positive definite matrix.

$$\dot{V}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) = \frac{1}{2} (\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t)) \quad (14)$$

From (11) and (14), we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{H} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \mathbf{H}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{e}(t) \right)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{x}(t) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \left(\mathbf{H} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \mathbf{H}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{e}(t) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{x}(t) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \mathbf{H}_{ik}^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{x}(t) + \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{e}(t) \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

From (15) and $\mathbf{e}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) &= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{e}(t))^T \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{x}(t) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H} (\mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{e}(t)) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \mathbf{H}_{ik}^T \mathbf{P}_p (\mathbf{e}(t) + \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)) + \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k (\mathbf{e}(t) + \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{e}(t) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{Q}_p \mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H} \mathbf{e}(t) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

where $\mathbf{Q}_p \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{Q}_{ik} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$; $k = 1, 2, \dots, p$, are symmetric positive definite matrix and symmetric matrices respectively. They are defined as follows,

$$\mathbf{Q}_p = -(\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{P}_p + \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}) \quad (17)$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{ik} = -(\mathbf{H}_{ik}^T \mathbf{P}_p + \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}), i = 1, 2, \dots, p; k = 1, 2, \dots, p \quad (18)$$

Based on the Rayleigh principle, the following property holds for a symmetric positive definite matrix $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$,

$$0 < \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 \leq \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x}(t) \leq \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P}) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 \quad (19)$$

where $\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P})$ and $\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P})$ are the maximum and minimum eigenvalues of \mathbf{P} respectively, $\|\cdot\|$ denotes the l_2 norm for vectors and l_2 induced norm for matrices. Then, (16) implies,

$$\begin{aligned} V_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) &\leq -\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \\ &\quad + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}\| \|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \|\mathbf{e}(t)\| + \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}\| \|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \|\mathbf{e}(t)\| \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}\| \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{A}_i\| \|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \|\mathbf{e}(t)\| \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

From (20), (4) and (9), $\sum_{j=1}^p w_j = \sum_{j=1}^p w_j m_j = 1$, (20) becomes,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) &\leq -\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \\ &\quad + (\|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}\| + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}\|_{\max} + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{A}_i\|_{\max}) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \|\mathbf{e}(t)\| + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}\|_{\max} \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \\ &\quad + \gamma \|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \|\mathbf{e}(t)\| + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}\|_{\max} \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

$$\text{where } \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}\|_{\max} = \max_{i,k} \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}\| \geq 0 \quad (22)$$

$$\|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{A}_i\|_{\max} = \max_i \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{A}_i\| \geq 0 \quad (23)$$

$$\gamma = \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}\| + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}\|_{\max} + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{A}_i\|_{\max} \geq 0 \quad (24)$$

From (21),

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) &\leq -\frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p w_i w_k m_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 + \gamma \|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \|\mathbf{e}(t)\| + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}\|_{\max} \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Consider the following inequality,

$$\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)} \|\mathbf{x}(t)\| - \frac{\gamma}{2\sqrt{\frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)}} \|\mathbf{e}(t)\| \right)^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 - \gamma \|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \|\mathbf{e}(t)\| + \frac{\gamma^2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)} \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\gamma^2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)} \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \geq -\frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 + \gamma \|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \|\mathbf{e}(t)\| \quad (26)$$

From (25) and (26), we have,

$$\dot{V}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) \leq -\frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^p w_k m_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \left(\frac{\gamma^2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)} + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_k\|_{\max} \right) \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \quad (27)$$

Let $m_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, p$, be designed as follows,

$$m_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } w_k = 0 \\ \frac{n_s}{w_k \sum_{j=1}^p n_j} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (28)$$

$$n_s = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^p \text{sign}(w_k)} & w_k \neq 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{x}(t) = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } w_k = 0 \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{is} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, s = 1, 2, \dots, p \quad (29)$$

$$\text{sign}(z) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } z > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (30)$$

$$\text{and } \sum_{s=1}^p \mathbf{Q}_{is} > \mathbf{0} \text{ (positive definite) for } i = 1, 2, \dots, p \quad (31)$$

It should be noted that the denominator $\sum_{k=1}^p \text{sign}(w_k)$ in (29) will never be equal to zero as at least one of the w_k is greater than zero (a property of the fuzzy plant model). By choosing $m_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, p$, according to (28) and (29), we can see that the property of (9) is satisfied. From (27) to (31) and considering the case that all $w_k \neq 0, k = 1, 2, \dots, p$, such that

$$m_k = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)}{w_k \sum_{s=1}^p \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{is} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)}, \text{ then (27) becomes,}$$

$$\dot{V}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) \leq -\frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^p w_k \frac{\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)}{w_k \sum_{s=1}^p \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{is} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)$$

$$+ \left(\frac{\gamma^2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)} + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_k\|_{\max} \right) \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2$$

$$\leq -\frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^p \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)}{\sum_{s=1}^p \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{is} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma^2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)} + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_k\|_{\max} \right) \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \quad (32)$$

From (31), as $\sum_{s=1}^p \mathbf{Q}_{is}, i = 1, 2, \dots, p$, are positive definite

matrices, $\frac{\sum_{j=1}^p \left(\sum_{i=1}^p w_i \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \mathbf{Q}_{ij} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^p \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T w_i \sum_{k=1}^p \mathbf{Q}_{ik} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)}$ in (32) is semi-positive

definite. Thus, from (32), we have,

$$\dot{V}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) \leq -\frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma^2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)} + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_k\|_{\max} \right) \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \quad (33)$$

(33) will be used later. Then, we consider the state convergence ability of the fuzzy observer (3). We shall show that $\mathbf{e}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. From (3) and (7),

$$\dot{\mathbf{e}}(t) = \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) - \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^p w_i (\mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{u}(t)) - \sum_{j=1}^p w_j (\mathbf{A}_j \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + \mathbf{B}_j \mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{K}_j \mathbf{C}_j \mathbf{e}(t))$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^p w_i (\mathbf{A}_i - \mathbf{K}_i \mathbf{C}_i) \mathbf{e}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{e}(t)$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{J}_i = \mathbf{A}_i - \mathbf{K}_i \mathbf{C}_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, p \quad (35)$$

To study the stability of (34), consider the Lyapunov function:

$$V_e(\mathbf{e}(t)) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_e \mathbf{e}(t) \quad (36)$$

where $\mathbf{P}_e \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a symmetric positive definite matrix. From (36),

$$\dot{V}_e(\mathbf{e}(t)) = \frac{1}{2} (\dot{\mathbf{e}}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_e \mathbf{e}(t) + \mathbf{e}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_e \dot{\mathbf{e}}(t)) \quad (37)$$

From (34) and (37),

$$\dot{V}_e(\mathbf{e}(t)) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{e}(t) \right)^T \mathbf{P}_e \mathbf{e}(t) + \mathbf{e}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_e \left(\sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{e}(t) \right) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{e}(t)^T \mathbf{Q}_{ei} \mathbf{e}(t) \leq -\frac{1}{2} \max_i \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_{ei}) \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \quad (38)$$

where $\mathbf{Q}_{ei} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, i = 1, 2, \dots, p$, are a symmetric positive matrices,

$$\mathbf{Q}_{ei} = -(\mathbf{J}_i^T \mathbf{P}_e + \mathbf{P}_e \mathbf{J}_i), i = 1, 2, \dots, p \quad (39)$$

$$\max_i \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_{ei}) \geq \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_{ei}) > 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, p \quad (40)$$

From (13), (36) and the property of (19), we have,

$$V_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{x}(t) \geq \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_p) \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 \Rightarrow \frac{2V_p(\mathbf{x}(t))}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_p)} \geq \|\mathbf{x}(t)\|^2 \quad (41)$$

$$V_e(\mathbf{e}(t)) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}(t)^T \mathbf{P}_e \mathbf{e}(t) \geq \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_e) \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \Rightarrow \frac{2V_e(\mathbf{e}(t))}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_e)} \geq \|\mathbf{e}(t)\|^2 \quad (42)$$

From (33), (38), (41) and (42), we have,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{V}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) \\ \dot{V}_e(\mathbf{e}(t)) \end{bmatrix} \leq \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_p)} & \frac{2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_p)} \left(\frac{\gamma^2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)} + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_k\|_{\max} \right) \\ 0 & -\frac{\max_i \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_{ei})}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_e)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) \\ V_e(\mathbf{e}(t)) \end{bmatrix} \quad (43)$$

As $-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_p)}$ and $-\frac{\max_i \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_{ei})}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_e)}$ in (43) are both negative values and are eigenvalues of

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_p)} & \frac{2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_p)} \left(\frac{\gamma^2}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_p)} + \|\mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_k\|_{\max} \right) \\ 0 & -\frac{\max_i \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{Q}_{ei})}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P}_e)} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ it implies}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}_p(\mathbf{x}(t)) \\ \dot{\hat{\mathbf{e}}}_p(\mathbf{e}(t)) \end{bmatrix} \leq \mathbf{0} \quad [11]. \text{ Hence, we can conclude that the fuzzy}$$

observer-controller system of (11) is asymptotically stable, i.e. $\mathbf{x}(t) \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbf{e}(t) \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. The same result is obtained under different cases of $m_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, p$. It can be seen that in (43), the separation property holds, as the design of the fuzzy controller and observer can be achieved separately by finding \mathbf{P}_p and \mathbf{P}_e independently. The result and the design of the m_k are summarized into the following Lemma:

Lemma 1: A fuzzy observer-controller system formed by (3), (7) and (10) is guaranteed to be asymptotically stable if the following conditions are satisfied,

(i). There exists a solution \mathbf{P}_p for the following $(p+1)$ LMIs,

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{Q} > \mathbf{0} \\ \sum_{i=1}^p \mathbf{Q}_{is} > \mathbf{0}, i = 1, 2, \dots, p \end{cases}$$

where $\mathbf{Q} = -\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{P}_p - \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}$, \mathbf{H} is a stable matrix,

$$\mathbf{Q}_{ik} = -(\mathbf{H}_{ik}^T \mathbf{P}_p + \mathbf{P}_p \mathbf{H}_{ik}), \mathbf{H}_{ik} = \mathbf{A}_i + \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{G}_k - \mathbf{H}.$$

(ii). The gains of the fuzzy controller sub-controllers, $m_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, p$, are designed as follows,

$$m_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } w_k = 0 \\ \frac{n_s}{w_k \sum_{i=1}^p n_i} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$n_s = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^p \text{sign}(w_k)} & w_k \neq 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & \text{if } w_k = 0 \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)^T \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \mathbf{Q}_{is} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{sign}(z) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } z > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(iii) There exists a positive definite matrix \mathbf{P}_e such that

$$\mathbf{Q}_{ei} > \mathbf{0}, i = 1, 2, \dots, p, \text{ where } \mathbf{Q}_{ei} = -(\mathbf{J}_i^T \mathbf{P}_e + \mathbf{P}_e \mathbf{J}_i),$$

$$\mathbf{J}_i = \mathbf{A}_i - \mathbf{K}_i \mathbf{C}_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, p, \text{ are stable matrices.}$$

From Lemma 1, the total number of LMIs is $2p+1$. The steps for finding the fuzzy observer-controller are as follows.

Step I) Obtain the fuzzy plant model of the system.

Step II) Choose $\mathbf{K}_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, p$, for the fuzzy observer.

Find \mathbf{P}_e by solving the p LMIs as stated in (iii) of Lemma 1. If \mathbf{P}_e cannot be found, choose other $\mathbf{K}_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, p$.

Step III) Choose a stable matrix \mathbf{H} and the $\mathbf{G}_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, p$ for the fuzzy controller. Find \mathbf{P}_p by solving the $p+1$ LMIs as stated in (i) of Lemma 1. If \mathbf{P}_p cannot be found, choose other \mathbf{H} and $\mathbf{G}_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, p$, for the fuzzy controller.

Step IV). Design $m_k, k = 1, \dots, p$, as stated in (ii) of Lemma 1.

IV. CONCLUSION

The stability of fuzzy observer-controller control systems has been analyzed. The stability conditions, which involve $2p+1$ LMIs instead of $(p(p+1)+2p)/2$ LMIs, have been derived. A design methodology for the gains of the fuzzy controller has been given. The separation principle holds during the design of the observer and the controller.

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