

Analysis and Control of Multi-Agent Systems

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Control of Networks

Edge Agreement and Consensus Performance



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last time...

Controlled Agreement

- consensus protocol with a "rebel"
- input-output setup
- controllability

Performance of Consensus





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An 'input-output' consensus model





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what happens when consensus is driven by Gaussian white noise?





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$$\frac{\mathbf{\dot{x}}}{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}^T w(t)$$

average is "driven" by noises...

$$\mathcal{E}(\overline{x}(t)^2) = \frac{\sigma_w^2}{n}t$$

a random walk





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 $\mathcal{E}(y(t)^T y(t))$

what happens when consensus is driven by Gaussian white noise? $\mathcal{N}(E(\mathcal{G})^T) = \operatorname{span}\{\mathbf{1}\}$

When driven by noise, it is meaningful to examine how noises effect the stead-state covariance of the *relative states*



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H₂ Performance of Linear Systems



A stable linear system

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

 \mathcal{H}_2 System Norm

$$\|\Sigma\|_2 = \sqrt{\operatorname{trace} CPC^T}$$

Controllability Gramian

$$P = \int_0^\infty e^{At} B B^T e^{A^T t} dt \qquad AP + PA^T + BB^T = 0$$



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for linear systems driven by white Gaussian noise, the \mathcal{H}_2 system norm can be interpreted as a *bound* on the *steady-state covariance* of the output



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A Minimal Realization





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A Minimal Realization

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\tilde{x}}(t) &= -S^{-1}L(\mathcal{G})S\tilde{x}(t) + S^{-1}w(t) \\ z(t) &= E(\mathcal{G})^TS\tilde{x}(t) \end{cases}$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} -0.45 & -0.45 & -0.45 & -0.45 & 0.45 \\ 0.86 & -0.14 & -0.14 & -0.14 & 0.45 \\ -0.14 & 0.86 & -0.14 & -0.14 & 0.45 \\ -0.14 & -0.14 & 0.86 & -0.14 & 0.45 \\ -0.14 & -0.14 & -0.14 & 0.86 & 0.45 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S^{-1}L(\mathcal{G})S = \begin{bmatrix} 2.90 & 0.90 & 0.90 & -0.40 & 0.00 \\ 0.90 & 1.90 & 0.90 & 0.60 & 0.00 \\ 0.90 & 0.90 & 1.90 & 0.60 & -0.00 \\ -0.40 & 0.60 & 0.60 & 1.29 & -0.00 \\ \hline 0.00 & 0.00 & 0.00 & 0.00 & -0.00 \end{bmatrix}$$



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Spanning Trees and Cycles





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remaining edges

Edge Laplacian

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$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{\tau}(t) \\ \overline{x}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} E(\mathcal{T})^T \\ \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{1}^T \end{bmatrix}}_{S^{-1}} x(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_{\tau}(t) \\ \dot{\overline{x}}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (E(\mathcal{T})^T E(\mathcal{T})) \mathcal{R}_{(\tau,c)} \mathcal{R}_{(\tau,c)}^T & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} x(t) \begin{bmatrix} x_{\tau}(t) \\ \overline{x}(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} E(\mathcal{T})^T \\ \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{1}^T \end{bmatrix} w(t)$$



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Edge Laplacian

Edge Laplacian $L_e(\mathcal{G}) = E(\mathcal{G})^T E(\mathcal{G})$





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The Edge Agreement Problem



$$\Sigma_{e}(\mathcal{G}): \begin{cases} \dot{x}_{\tau}(t) = -L_{e}(\mathcal{T})R_{(\tau,c)}R_{(\tau,c)}^{T}x_{\tau}(t) + \\ & \left[E(\mathcal{T})^{T} - L_{e}(\mathcal{T})R_{(\tau,c)} \right] \begin{bmatrix} w(t) \\ v(t) \end{bmatrix} \\ z(t) = x_{\tau}(t). \end{cases}$$

stable and minimal realization of consensus protocol



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Performance of edge agreement problem can be used to study how noises affect the relative-state output



\mathcal{H}_2 Performance of Edge Agreement

Theorem

$$\|\Sigma_{e}(\mathcal{G})\|_{2}^{2} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{tr} \left[(R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})} R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^{T})^{-1} \right] + (n-1)$$

some immediate bounds...

$$\|\Sigma_e(\mathcal{G})\|_2^2 \le \|\Sigma_e(\mathcal{T})\|_2^2 = \frac{3}{2}(n-1)$$

all trees are the same

$$\|\Sigma_e(\mathcal{G})\|_2^2 \ge \|\Sigma_e(K_n)\|_2^2 = \frac{n^2 - 1}{n}$$





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500 random 5-regular graphs



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\mathcal{H}_2 Performance of Edge Agreement

Theorem: Adding cycles always improves the performance.

$$\begin{split} \|\Sigma_{e}(\mathcal{G} \cup e)\|_{2}^{2} &= \|\Sigma_{e}(\mathcal{G})\|_{2}^{2} - \\ \frac{\left(R_{(\tau,c)}R_{(\tau,c)}^{T}\right)^{-1}cc^{T}\left(R_{(\tau,c)}R_{(\tau,c)}^{T}\right)^{-1}}{2\left(1 + c^{T}\left(R_{(\tau,c)}R_{(\tau,c)}^{T}\right)^{-1}c\right)} \end{split}$$





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Performance and Cycles

Is there a *combinatorial* feature that affects the performance?



Corollary

$$\|\Sigma_e(\mathcal{T} \cup e)\|_2^2 = \|\Sigma_e(\mathcal{T})\|_2^2 - \frac{1}{2}(1 - l(c)^{-1})\|_2^2$$

long cycles are "better"



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Cycles as Feedback



 $L_e(\mathcal{T})R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T = L_e(\mathcal{T}) + L_e(\mathcal{T})T_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}T_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T$



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Effective Resistance of a Graph

The **effective resistance** between two nodes *u* and *v* is the electrical resistance measured across the nodes when the graph represents an electrical circuit with each edge a resistor



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Effective Resistance of a Graph

Proposition 1 $L^{\dagger}(\mathcal{G}) = (E_{\tau}^{L})^{T} \left(R_{(\tau,c)} W R_{(\tau,c)}^{T} \right)^{-1} E_{\tau}^{L}$

$$r_{uv} = (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)^T L^{\dagger}(\mathcal{G})(\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)$$

$$E_{\mathcal{T}}^L(\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v) = \begin{bmatrix} \pm 1 \\ 0 \\ \pm 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \\ \tau_3 \\ \tau_4 \end{bmatrix} u \quad \tau_1$$
indicates a path from node u to v using only edges in the spanning tree
$$T_{(\mathcal{T},c)} = \underbrace{(E_{\mathcal{T}}^T E_{\mathcal{T}})^{-1} E_{\mathcal{T}}^T}_{F^L} E(\mathcal{C})$$

$$\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{C}$$

 $E_{\mathcal{T}}^L$



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\mathcal{H}_2 Performance and Effective Resistance

Consensus driven by WGN

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = -L(\mathcal{G})x(t) + w(t) \\ z(t) = E(K_n)^T x(t) & \text{monitor } all \text{ possible} \\ \text{relative states} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{\tau}(t) \\ \overline{x}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} E(\mathcal{T})^T \\ \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{1}^T \end{bmatrix}}_{S^{-1}} x(t)$$

Edge Agreement....

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{\tau}(t) = -L_{ess}(\mathcal{G})x_{\tau}(t) + E(\mathcal{T})^{T}w(t) \\ z(t) = E(K_{n})^{T}E(\mathcal{T})L_{e}(\mathcal{T})^{-1}x_{\tau}(t) \end{cases}$$



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\mathcal{H}_2 Performance and Effective Resistance

Edge Agreement...

$$\Sigma_{e}(\mathcal{G}) \begin{cases} \dot{x}_{\tau}(t) = -L_{ess}(\mathcal{G})x_{\tau}(t) + E(\mathcal{T})^{T}w(t) \\ z(t) = E(K_{n})^{T}E(\mathcal{T})L_{e}(\mathcal{T})^{-1}x_{\tau}(t) \end{cases}$$

$$T_{(\mathcal{T},K_n)} = E(K_n)^T E(\mathcal{T}) L_e(\mathcal{T})^{-1}$$

$$\begin{split} \|\Sigma_e(\mathcal{G})\|_2^2 &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \left[T_{(\mathcal{T},K_n)}^T (\mathcal{R}_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})} \mathcal{R}_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T)^{-1} T_{(\mathcal{T},K_n)} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} R_{tot}(\mathcal{G}) \end{split}$$



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