

Power System Analysis

Chapter 7 System operation: estimation and control

Outline

1. State estimation
2. Voltage control
3. Radial network identification

Network model

State estimation is a key building block for numerous power system applications

- e.g. energy management systems for dispatch of generations and loads, voltage control, ...

1. Network $G := (\bar{N}, E)$

- $\bar{N} := \{0\} \cup N := \{0\} \cup \{1, \dots, N\}$: buses/nodes/terminals
- $E \subseteq \bar{N} \times \bar{N}$: lines/branches/links/edges

2. Network state

- Given: reference angle θ_0
- State: $x := (\theta, |V|) := (\theta_j, |V_0|, |V_j|, j \in N) \in \mathbb{R}^{2N+1}$

3. State estimation

- Estimate state $x \in \mathbb{R}^{2N+1}$ from partial and noisy measurements $y \in \mathbb{R}^K$

Network model

Noisy measurements

Partial measurements with **additive noise** z typically consist of:

1. Voltages $(\theta_j, |V_j|)$ at subset $N_1 \subset \bar{N}$ of buses:

$$y_{2j} = \theta_j + z_{2j}, \quad y_{2j+1} = |V_j| + z_{2j+1}, \quad j \in N_1$$

2. Real and reactive power injections (p_j, q_j) at subset $N_2 \subset \bar{N}$ of buses:

$$y_{2j} = p_j + z_{2j}, \quad y_{2j+1} = q_j + z_{2j+1}, \quad j \in N_2$$

where the injections (p_j, q_j) satisfy power flow equations (polar form)

$$p_j = f_j(x) := \sum_{k:k \sim j} \left(g_{jk}^s + g_{jk}^m \right) |V_j|^2 - \sum_{k:k \sim j} |V_j| |V_k| \left(g_{jk}^s \cos \theta_{jk} + b_{jk}^s \sin \theta_{jk} \right)$$

$$q_j = g_j(x) := - \sum_{k:k \sim j} \left(b_{jk}^s + b_{jk}^m \right) |V_j|^2 - \sum_{k:k \sim j} |V_j| |V_k| \left(g_{jk}^s \sin \theta_{jk} - b_{jk}^s \cos \theta_{jk} \right)$$

Hence: $y_{2j} = f_j(x) + z_{2j}, \quad y_{2j+1} = g_j(x) + z_{2j+1}, \quad j \in N_2$

Network model

Noisy measurements

3. Real and reactive powers (P_{jk}, Q_{jk}) on subset $E_1 \subseteq E$ of lines:

$$y_{2l} = P_l(x) + z_{2l}, \quad y_{2l+1} = Q_l(x) + z_{2l+1}, \quad l \in E_1$$

where

$$P_{jk}(x) := \left(g_{jk}^s + g_{jk}^m \right) |V_j|^2 - |V_j| |V_k| \left(g_{jk}^s \cos \theta_{jk} + b_{jk}^s \sin \theta_{jk} \right)$$

$$Q_{jk}(x) := - \left(b_{jk}^s + b_{jk}^m \right) |V_j|^2 - |V_j| |V_k| \left(g_{jk}^s \sin \theta_{jk} - b_{jk}^s \cos \theta_{jk} \right)$$

State estimation

Given partial and noisy measurements

$$y = f(x) + z$$

where

- $x \in \mathbb{R}^{2N+1}$: network state
- $z \in \mathbb{R}^K$: additive noise
- $y \in \mathbb{R}^K$: measurement
- $f: \mathbb{R}^{2N+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^K$: network model

State estimation computes an estimate \hat{x} of the state x from measurement y by solving:

$$\hat{x} := \arg \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^{2N+1}} (y - f(x))^T R^{-1} (y - f(x))$$

where R is **positive definite** normalization matrix

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- e.g. $R := E(z - Ez)(z - Ez)^T$ is covariance matrix of noise z
- This problem is called **least square estimation** or **nonlinear regression**

State estimation

Linear regression

Linearize power flow model $f(x)$ around **operating point** x_0 :

$$y_0 + \Delta y := y = f(x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0)\Delta x + z$$

Assume: x_0, f are known and $y_0 = f(x_0)$

Then

$$\Delta y = F\Delta x + z$$

where $F := \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0)$ is $K \times (2N + 1)$ Jacobian matrix of f at x_0

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Estimation error:

$$\epsilon^2 := \min_{\Delta x} z^\top R^{-1} z = \min_{\Delta x} (\Delta y - F\Delta x)^\top R^{-1} (\Delta y - F\Delta x)$$

To simplify notation, consider normalized quantities:

$$\Delta \bar{y} := R^{-1/2} \Delta y, \quad \bar{F} := R^{-1/2} F$$

State estimation becomes:

$$\min_{\Delta x} z^\top R^{-1} z = \min_{\Delta x} \left\| \Delta \bar{y} - \bar{F} \Delta x \right\|_2^2$$

State estimation

Solution

State estimation:

$$\min_{\Delta x} \left\| \Delta \bar{y} - \bar{F} \Delta x \right\|_2^2$$

General **solution**:

$$\hat{\Delta x} = \bar{F}^\dagger \Delta \bar{y} \quad \text{where} \quad \bar{F}^\dagger \text{ is } \text{pseudo-inverse} \text{ of normalized Jacobian } \bar{F} := R^{-1/2} F$$

State estimation

Special cases

1. More measurements than state vars $K \geq 2N + 1$: When columns of F (and hence \bar{F}) are linearly independent, the unique optimal estimate is:

$$\hat{\Delta x} = (\bar{F}^\top \bar{F})^{-1} \bar{F}^\top \Delta \bar{y}$$

with minimum estimation error:

$$\epsilon^2 = \left\| \Delta \bar{y} - \bar{F} \hat{\Delta x} \right\|_2^2 = \left\| \Delta \bar{y} \right\|_2^2 - \left\| (\bar{F}^\top \bar{F})^{-1/2} \bar{F}^\top \Delta \bar{y} \right\|_2^2$$

The estimated state is:

$$x_0 + \hat{\Delta x} = x_0 + (F^\top R^{-1} F)^{-1} F^\top R^{-1} \Delta y$$

Redundant measurements enable state estimation

State estimation

Special cases

2. Fewer measurements than state vars $K < 2N + 1$: When rows of F (and hence \bar{F}) are linearly independent, the unique optimal estimate is:

$$\hat{\Delta}x = \bar{F}^T (\bar{F}\bar{F}^T)^{-1} \Delta\bar{y}$$

with zero estimation error $\epsilon^2 = 0$

There is a subspace of solutions to the linear regression and $\hat{\Delta}x$ is minimum-norm solution.

Typically, insufficient measurement produces poor state estimate

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2. Voltage control
 - Linear DistFlow model
 - Decentralized control: convergence and optimality
3. Radial network identification

volt/var control

Stabilize voltages on distribution grid by adapting reactive power injections

- e.g., at inverters, capacitor banks

Questions we will study

- How to design simple control schemes?
- What is the dynamic behavior of closed-loop system?
- What is the optimality of closed-loop system?

Design and analysis method

- Use LinDistFlow model due to its analytical properties

volt/var control

Network model

At each bus j , there are

- Fixed and given active and reactive load (p_j^0, q_j^0)
- Possibly a DER (e.g. inverter) with fixed p_j (e.g. PV generation) and controllable q_j

Notation: write $s = (p, q) \in \mathbb{R}^{2N}$ and $v \in \mathbb{R}^N$ at non-reference buses, instead of (\hat{s}, \hat{v})

From linear solution theorem:

$$v = v_0 \mathbf{1} + 2 \left(R(p - p^0) + X(q - q^0) \right)$$

Or

$$v(q) = 2Xq + \tilde{v}$$

where $\tilde{v} := v_0 \mathbf{1} + 2R(p - p^0) - 2Xq^0$ independent of the control q

volt/var control

Inverter model

At each bus j , the reactive power q_j is constrained to stay in the intersection of

- Capacity limit $\{q_j : p_j^2 + q_j^2 \leq \sigma^2\}$ which depends on p_j (e.g. PV generation), and
- Power factor limit $-\phi_j \leq \tan^{-1}(q_j/p_j) \leq \phi_j$

Hence q_j must lie in

$$U_j := U_j(p_j) \left\{ q_j : \underline{q}_j \leq q_j \leq \bar{q}_j \right\}$$

$$\text{where } \bar{q}_j := \min \left\{ p_j \tan \phi_j, \sqrt{\sigma^2 - p_j^2} \right\} \text{ and } \underline{q}_j := \max \left\{ -p_j \tan \phi_j, -\sqrt{\sigma^2 - p_j^2} \right\}$$

volt/var control

Local memoryless control

Let v^{ref} = given vector of reference voltages at buses $j > 0$

Control goal: design $q \in U$ to drive voltages towards v^{ref}

- Local control: $q_j(t + 1)$ depends only on $v_j(t)$, not voltages $v_k(t)$ at buses $k \neq j$
- Memoryless control: $q_j(t + 1)$ depends only on $v_j(t)$, not on $(v_j(s), s < t)$

Restrict control law $u_j : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ to depend on voltage error $v_j(t) - v_j^{\text{ref}}$

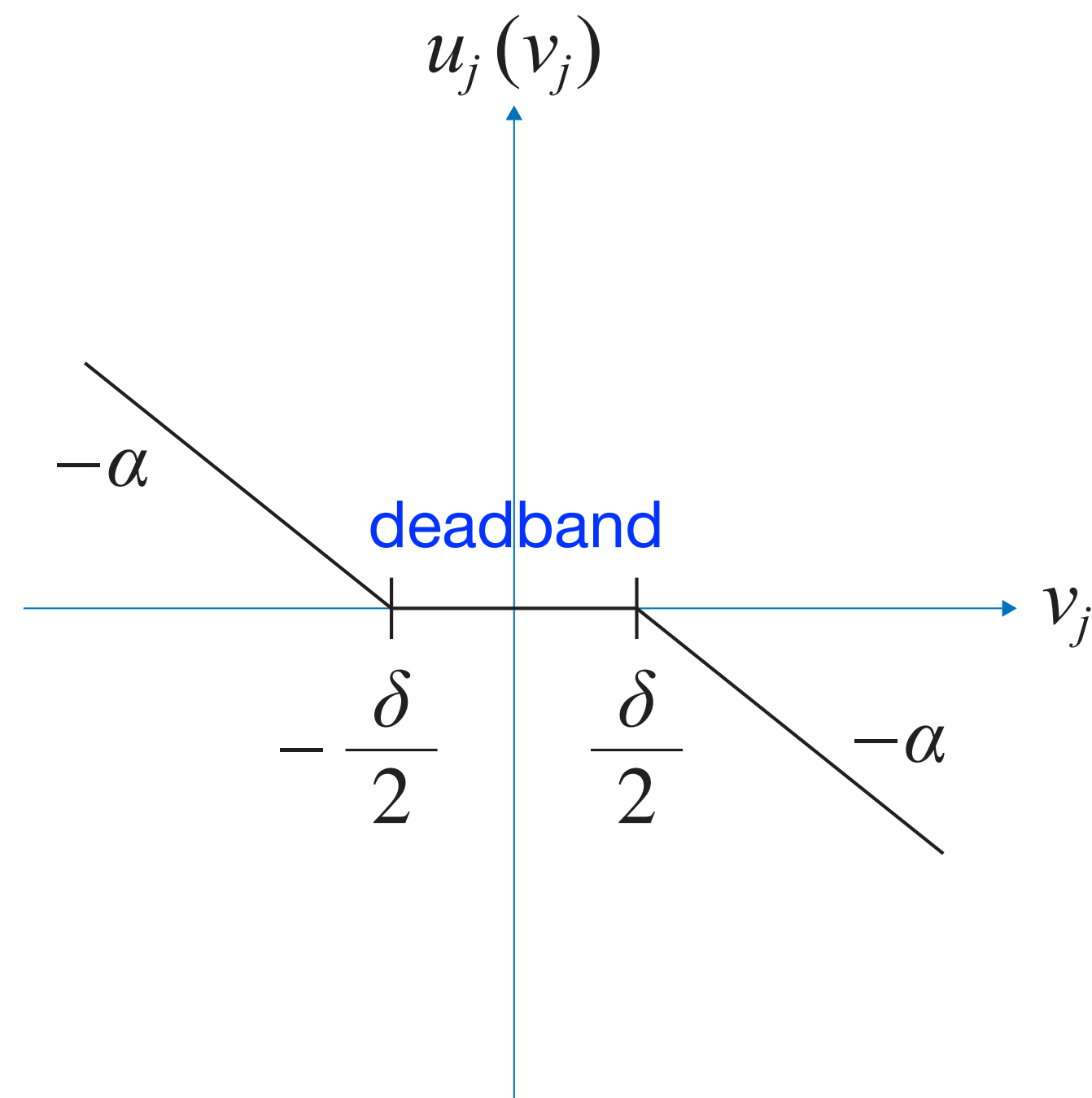
$$q_j(t + 1) = \left[u_j \left(v_j(t) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) \right]_{U_j}, \quad j = 1, \dots, N$$

i.e. we are to design u_j that map voltage errors $v_j(t) - v_j^{\text{ref}}$ to reactive power settings $q_j(t + 1)$

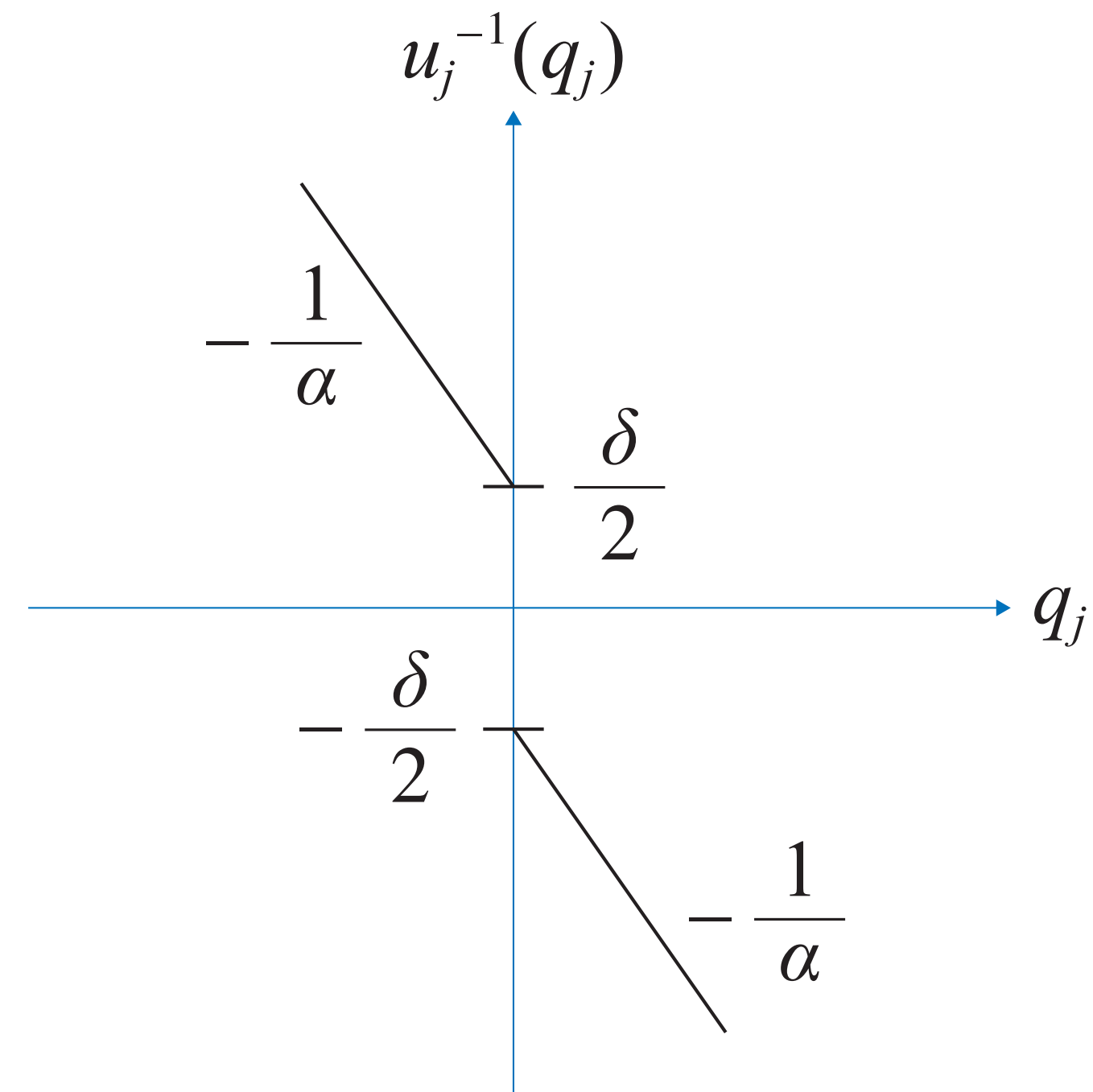
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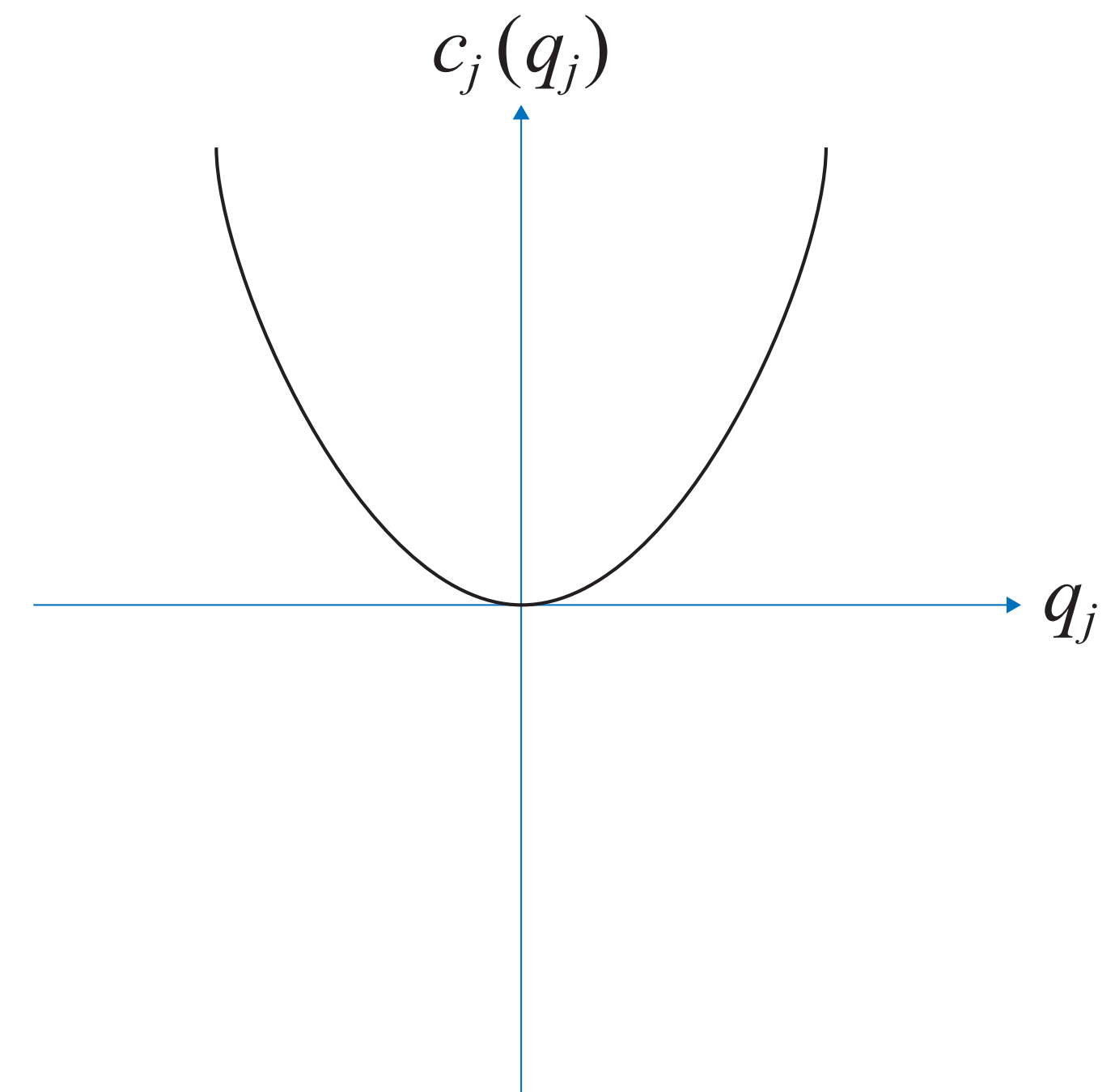
Example:



(a) Piecewise linear control $u_j(v_j)$

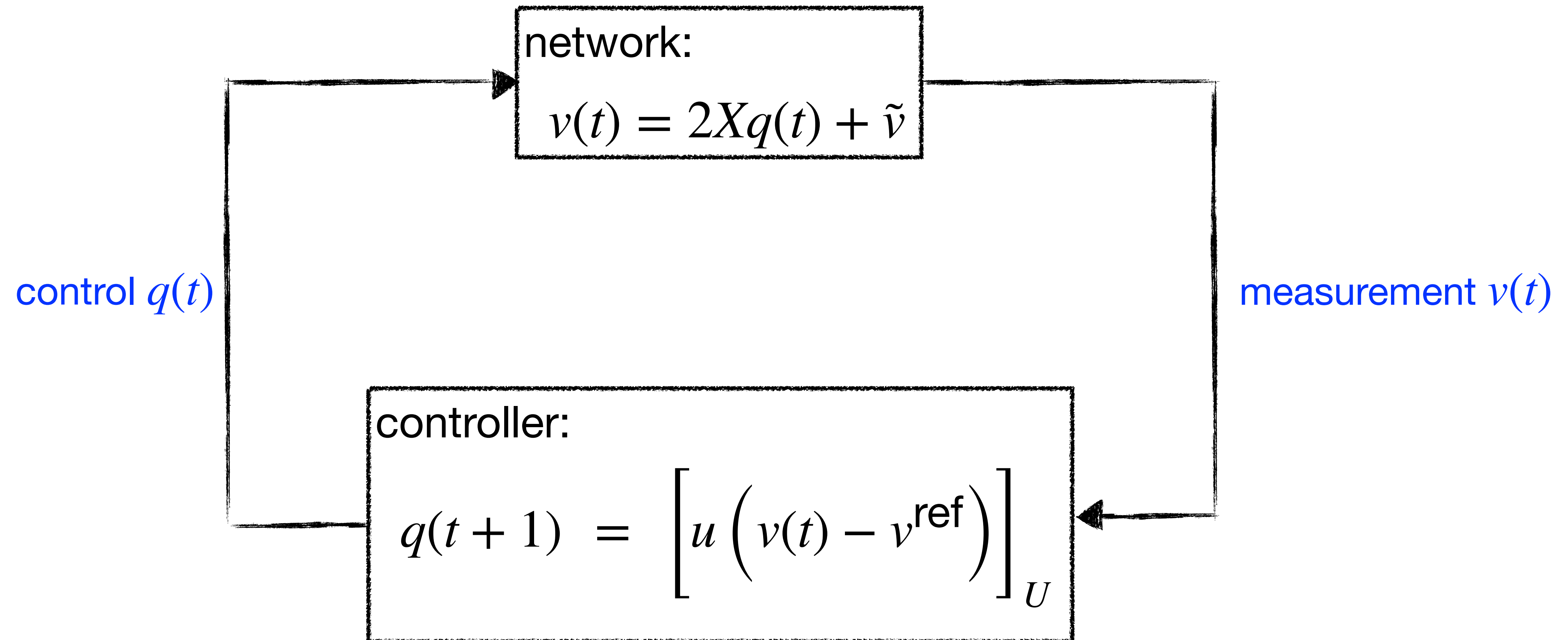


(b) Inverse $u_j^{-1}(q_j)$



(c) Implied cost $c_j(q_j)$

Closed-loop system



Closed-loop system

Closed-loop system is discrete-time dynamical system:

$$q(t + 1) = \left[u \left(v(q(t)) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) \right]_U$$

- $v(q) := 2Xq + \tilde{v}$: maps linearly reactive power control q to network voltage
- $u \left(v - v^{\text{ref}} \right)$: maps voltage error to potential control action
- $[u]_U$: projects potential control action to its feasibility region U

Questions:

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- Optimality: is the equilibrium point (q^*, v^*) optimal, in what sense?

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Definition:

q^* is an **equilibrium point** if it is a fixed point, i.e., $q^* = \left[u \left(v(q^*) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) \right]_U$

Assumptions:

1. u_j are differentiable; $\exists \alpha_j$ s.t. $\left| u_j'(v_j) \right| \leq \alpha_j$

2. u_j are strictly decreasing

$$A := \text{diag} \left(\alpha_j, j \in N \right)$$

Convergence

Theorem [Convergence]

Suppose Assumption 1 holds. If largest singular value $\sigma_{\max}(AX) < 1/2$ then

1. \exists unique equilibrium point $q^* \in U$
2. $q(t)$ converges to q^* geometrically, i.e.,

$$\|q(t) - q^*\| \leq \beta^t \|q(0) - q^*\| \rightarrow 0$$

for some $\beta \in [0,1)$

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Optimality

Theorem [Optimality]

Suppose Assumptions 1 and 2 hold. The **unique equilibrium point** q^* of the dynamical system is the **unique minimizer** of

$$\min_{q \in U} \sum_j c_j(q_j) + q^\top X q + q^\top (\tilde{v} - v^{\text{ref}})$$

where $c_j(q_j) := - \int_0^{q_j} u_j^{-1}(\hat{q}_j) d\hat{q}_j$

Closed-loop behavior

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- The unique equilibrium point (q^*, v^*) minimizes a cost function determined by control law u_j

Reverse engineering: by choosing a control function u_j , we implicitly choose a cost function $c_j(q_j)$ that the closed-loop equilibrium optimizes

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Forward engineering: Choose a cost function $c_j(q_j)$ and derive control functions u_j as distributed algorithm to solve the optimization problem

Convergence proof

Sketch

Mean value theorem $\implies u_j(v_j) - u(\hat{v}_j) = u'_j(w)(u - \hat{u})$ where $w := \lambda u + (1 - \lambda)\hat{u}$ for some $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

Assumption 1 and MVT

Hence

$$\|u(v) - u(\hat{v})\|_2^2 = \sum_j \left| u_j(v_j) - u_j(\hat{v}_j) \right|^2 \leq \sum_j \left| \alpha_j(v_j - \hat{v}_j) \right|^2 = \|A(v - \hat{v})\|_2^2$$

Therefore

$$\left\| u \left(v(q) - v^{\text{ref}} \right) - u \left(v(\hat{q}) - v^{\text{ref}} \right) \right\|_2 \leq \|Av(q) - Av(\hat{q})\|_2$$

Convergence proof

Sketch

Vector-function mean value theorem: if $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is continuously differentiable then

$$\|f(y) - f(x)\| \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(z) \right\| \|y - x\|$$

for any induced matrix norm $\|\cdot\|$ where $z := \mu x + (1 - \mu)y$ for some $\mu \in [0,1]$

Hence

$$\left\| Av(q) - Av(\hat{q}) \right\|_2 \leq \left\| \frac{\partial Av}{\partial q} \right\|_2 \|q - \hat{q}\|_2 \leq \|2AX\|_2 \|q - \hat{q}\|_2$$

because $\frac{\partial Av}{\partial q}(q) = A \frac{\partial v}{\partial q}(q) = 2AX$

Convergence proof

Sketch

Therefore

$$\left\| u \left(v(q) - v^{\text{ref}} \right) - u \left(v(\hat{q}) - v^{\text{ref}} \right) \right\|_2 \leq \|2AX\|_2 \|q - \hat{q}\|_2$$

Since induced matrix norm $\|AX\|_2 = \sigma_{\max}(AX)$, if $\beta = 2\sigma_{\max}(AX) < 1$ then

$$\left\| u \left(v(q) - v^{\text{ref}} \right) - u \left(v(\hat{q}) - v^{\text{ref}} \right) \right\|_2 \leq \beta \|q - \hat{q}\|_2$$

i.e. $u(q)$ is a contraction mapping.

Since projection $[u]_U$ is non-expansive, i.e., $\|[u]_U - [\hat{u}]_U\|_2 \leq \|u - \hat{u}\|_2$, the mapping

$\left[u \left(v(q) - v^{\text{ref}} \right) \right]_U$ is a contraction mapping in q

Convergence proof

Sketch

Contraction theorem implies, for the dynamical system

$$q(t + 1) = \left[u \left(v(q(t)) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) \right]_U$$

that

- \exists unique fixed point q^*
- $q(t)$ converges to q^* geometrically

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Optimality proof

Sketch

Assumption 1 implies that there is a unique equilibrium pt q^*

Let $C(q) := \sum_j c_j(q_j) + q^\top X q + q^\top \Delta \tilde{v}$ where $\Delta \tilde{v} := \tilde{v} - v^{\text{ref}}$

Assumption 2 and $X \succ 0$ imply that $C(q)$ is strictly convex and hence, if an optimal q^* exists, it is unique

It thus suffices to show that q^* is the unique equilibrium pt if and only if q^* is the unique minimizer

We will show this in 3 steps:

1. Obtain optimality condition (necessary and sufficient because of convexity)

2. Relate $[\nabla C(q^*)]_j$ to $u_j \left(v_j(q_j^*) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right)$ and q^*

3. Conclude optimality condition is equivalent to $q^* = \left[u \left(v(q^*) - v^{\text{ref}} \right) \right]_U$

Optimality proof

Sketch

Step 1: By convexity, $q^* \in U$ is optimal iff

$$\left(\nabla C(q^*) \right)^\top (q - q^*) \geq 0 \quad \forall q \in U$$

This is equivalent to

$$q_j^* \in (\underline{q}_j, \bar{q}_j) \quad \implies \quad \left[\nabla C(q^*) \right]_j = 0$$

$$q_j^* = \underline{q}_j \quad \Longleftarrow \quad \left[\nabla C(q^*) \right]_j > 0$$

$$q_j^* = \bar{q}_j \quad \Longleftarrow \quad \left[\nabla C(q^*) \right]_j < 0$$

Optimality proof

Sketch

Step 2: Evaluate

$$\nabla C(q^*) = \nabla c(q^*) + 2Xq^* + \Delta\tilde{v} = \nabla c(q^*) + \left(v(q^*) - v^{\text{ref}}\right)$$

where $\nabla c(q^*) = (c'_j(q_j^*)) = -u_j^{-1}(q_j^*), i \in N$

Hence $[\nabla C(q^*)]_j = -u_j^{-1}(q_j^*) + \left(v_j(q_j^*) - v_j^{\text{ref}}\right)$

Since u_j is strictly decreasing (Assumption 2), we have

$$[\nabla C(q^*)]_j = 0 \iff u_j \left(v_j(q_j^*) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) = q_j^*$$

$$[\nabla C(q^*)]_j > 0 \iff u_j \left(v_j(q_j^*) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) < q_j^*$$

$$[\nabla C(q^*)]_j < 0 \iff u_j \left(v_j(q_j^*) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) > q_j^*$$

Optimality proof

Sketch

Step 3: Use $[\nabla C(q^*)]_j$ to combine the conditions in Steps 1 and 2 into:

$$q_j^* \in (\underline{q}_j, \bar{q}_j) \implies [\nabla C(q^*)]_j = 0 \iff u_j \left(v_j(q_j^*) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) = q_j^*$$

$$q_j^* = \underline{q}_j \iff [\nabla C(q^*)]_j > 0 \iff u_j \left(v_j(q_j^*) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) < \underline{q}_j$$

$$q_j^* = \bar{q}_j \iff [\nabla C(q^*)]_j < 0 \iff u_j \left(v_j(q_j^*) - v_j^{\text{ref}} \right) > \bar{q}_j$$

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Therefore q^* is the unique equilibrium pt if and only if q^* is the unique minimizer

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 - Linearized polar-form AC model
 - Covariances of voltage magnitudes

Recall: radial networks

When $y_{jk}^s = y_{kj}^s$ and $y_{jk}^m = y_{kj}^m = 0$

Theorem 10

Suppose G is connected, Y is complex symmetric ($y_{jk}^s = y_{kj}^s$) and $y_{jk}^m = y_{kj}^m = 0$.

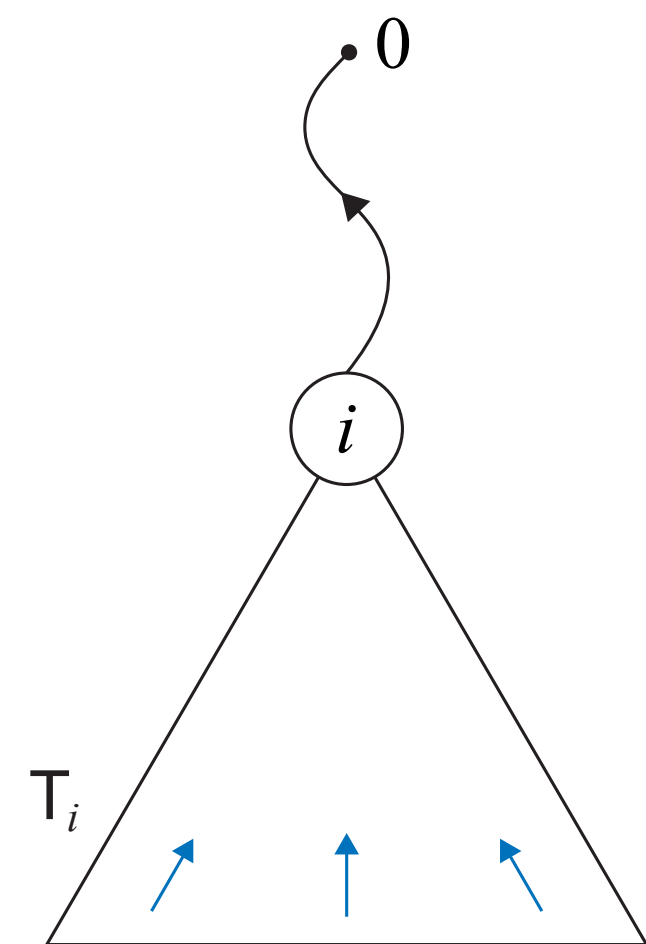
1. Reduced incidence matrix \hat{C} is nonsingular

$$[\hat{C}^{-1}]_{lj} = \begin{cases} -1 & l \in P_j \\ 1 & -l \in P_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

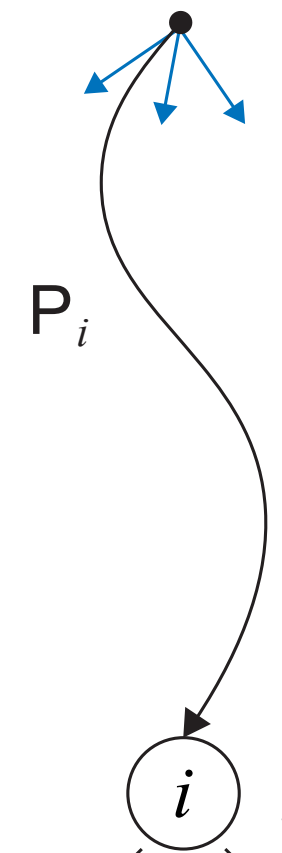
2. Reduced admittance matrix \hat{Y} is nonsingular, and

$$\hat{Z} := \hat{Y}^{-1} = \hat{C}^{-T} D_z^s \hat{C}^{-1}$$

$$\hat{Z}_{jk} = \sum_{l \in P_j \cap P_k} z_l^s$$



T_i : subtree rooted at bus i



T_i : unique path from 0 to i

Apply this result to topology identification problem

Topology identification

1. Distribution grid typically consists of a meshed network with sectionalizing and tie switches on some lines
2. At any time switch are configured s.t. operational network is a spanning tree (substation at its root)
3. System operator knows the meshed network, but may not always know accurately switch status and hence operational network

Goal: Identify operational radial network from measurements of voltage magnitudes

Linearized power flow model

Linearization of polar form

Assumptions: For all $(j, k) \in E$

1. $y_{jk}^s = y_{kj}^s = g_{jk}^s + ib_{jk}^s$; $y_{jk}^m = y_{kj}^m = 0$
2. $g_{jk}^s > 0$ and $b_{jk}^s < 0$

Consider **flat voltage profile**: $V_j^{\text{flat}} = \mu e^{i\theta} \implies (p^{\text{flat}}, q^{\text{flat}}) = (0,0)$

- All voltages have same magnitude (e.g. $\mu = 1$ pu) and angle

Let

- $(|\hat{V}|, \hat{\theta})$: perturbation variable around V^{flat} at non-reference buses
- (\hat{p}, \hat{q}) : perturbation variable around $(p^{\text{flat}}, q^{\text{flat}}) = (0,0)$ at non-reference buses

Linearized power flow model

Linearization of polar form

Polar form power flow model

$$p_j = \sum_{k:k \sim j} \left(g_{jk}^s + g_{jk}^m \right) |V_j|^2 - \sum_{k:k \sim j} |V_j| |V_k| \left(g_{jk}^s \cos \theta_{jk} + b_{jk}^s \sin \theta_{jk} \right)$$
$$q_j = - \sum_{k:k \sim j} \left(b_{jk}^s + b_{jk}^m \right) |V_j|^2 - \sum_{k:k \sim j} |V_j| |V_k| \left(g_{jk}^s \sin \theta_{jk} - b_{jk}^s \cos \theta_{jk} \right)$$

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Linearize around $\left(V^{\text{flat}}, p^{\text{flat}}, q^{\text{flat}} \right)$ yields a linear model from $|\hat{V}|$ to (\hat{p}, \hat{q}) at non-reference buses:

$$|\hat{V}| = \hat{R}\hat{p} + \hat{X}\hat{q} + \hat{v}_0$$

where

$$\hat{R} := \hat{C}^{-T} D_1 \hat{C}^{-1} \succ 0, \quad \hat{X} := -\hat{C}^{-T} D_2 \hat{C}^{-1} \succ 0$$

\hat{C} is reduced incidence matrix and

$$D_g := \text{diag} \left(g_l^s, l \in E \right) \succ 0, \quad D_b := \text{diag} \left(b_l^s, l \in E \right) \prec 0$$

$$D_1 := \left(D_g + D_b D_g^{-1} D_b \right)^{-1} \succ 0, \quad D_2 := \left(D_b + D_g D_b^{-1} D_g \right)^{-1} \prec 0$$

Covariance of voltages and powers

Suppose injections (p, q) vary randomly and induce random fluctuations in $|\hat{V}|$

Define covariance and cross-covariance matrices

$$\Sigma_v := E[|\hat{V}| - E(|\hat{V}|)][(|V| - E(|V|))]^\top$$

$$\Sigma_p := E[\hat{p} - E\hat{p}][\hat{p} - E\hat{p}]^\top,$$

$$\Sigma_q := E[\hat{q} - E\hat{q}][\hat{q} - E\hat{q}]^\top$$

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$$\Sigma_{qp} := E[\hat{q} - E\hat{q}][\hat{p} - E\hat{p}]^\top$$

Then

$$\Sigma_v = \hat{R}\Sigma_p\hat{R}^\top + \hat{X}\Sigma_q\hat{X}^\top + \hat{R}\Sigma_{pq}\hat{X}^\top + \hat{X}\Sigma_{qp}\hat{R}^\top$$

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Implications

Property 1 identifies a leaf node j as one with $\max \text{var}(|V_j|)$

Property 2 identifies j 's parent i as one that most closely satisfies the formula

Algorithm

1. Identify a leaf node j among unidentified nodes.
2. Identify j 's parent.
3. Remove j from set of unidentified nodes and goto 1

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Proof: part 1

Theorem 10 implies

$$\hat{R}_{jk} = \sum_{l \in P_j \cap P_k} r_l > 0, \quad \hat{X}_{jk} = \sum_{l \in P_j \cap P_k} x_l > 0$$

Hence

$$\hat{R}_{jk} = \hat{R}_{ik} + r_{ij}, \quad \hat{R}_{ik} = \sum_{l \in P_i} r_l, \quad \text{if } k \in T_j$$

$$\hat{R}_{ik} = \hat{R}_{jk}, \quad \text{if } k \notin T_j$$

Use these to evaluate the diagonal entries of $\text{var}(|V_j|) - \text{var}(|V_i|) = \Sigma_v[j, j] - \Sigma_v[i, i]$, for each of the four terms in

$$\Sigma_v = \hat{R}\Sigma_p\hat{R}^\top + \hat{X}\Sigma_q\hat{X}^\top + \hat{R}\Sigma_{pq}\hat{X}^\top + \hat{X}\Sigma_{qp}\hat{R}^\top$$

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Due to covariances Σ_p, Σ_q :

$$\left(\hat{R}\Sigma_p\hat{R}^\top\right)[j,j] - \left(\hat{R}\Sigma_p\hat{R}^\top\right)[i,i] = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{T}_j} \Sigma_p[k,k] \left(2 \sum_{l \in \mathcal{P}_i} r_l + r_{ij} \right) r_{ij} > 0$$

$$\text{similarly: } \left(\hat{X}\Sigma_q\hat{X}^\top\right)[j,j] > \left(\hat{X}\Sigma_q\hat{X}^\top\right)[i,i]$$

Due to cross-covariances Σ_{pq}, Σ_{qp} :

$$\left(\hat{R}\Sigma_{pq}\hat{X}^\top\right)[j,j] - \left(\hat{R}\Sigma_{pq}\hat{X}^\top\right)[i,i] = \sum_k \Sigma_{pq}[k,k] \left(\hat{R}_{jk}\hat{X}_{jk} - \hat{R}_{ik}\hat{X}_{ik} \right) > 0$$

$$\text{similarly: } \left(\hat{X}\Sigma_{qp}\hat{R}^\top\right)[j,j] > \left(\hat{X}\Sigma_{qp}\hat{R}^\top\right)[i,i]$$

yielding: $\Sigma_v[j,j] > \Sigma_v[i,i]$

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Proof: part 2

If bus i is a parent of bus j , then variance of $|V_i| - |V_j|$ is:

$$E \left((|V_i| - E|V_j|) - (|V_i|) - |V_j| \right)^2 = \Sigma_v[i, i] + \Sigma_v[j, j] - 2\Sigma_v[i, j]$$

Again use

$$\hat{R}_{jk} = \hat{R}_{ik} + r_{ij}, \quad \hat{R}_{ik} = \sum_{l \in P_i} r_l, \quad \text{if } k \in T_j$$

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to show that the first term of

$$\Sigma_v = \hat{R}\Sigma_p\hat{R}^\top + \hat{X}\Sigma_q\hat{X}^\top + \hat{R}\Sigma_{pq}\hat{X}^\top + \hat{X}\Sigma_{qp}\hat{R}^\top$$

yields a simple expression:

$$\sigma_1 := \left(\hat{R}\Sigma_p\hat{R}^\top \right)[i, i] + \left(\hat{R}\Sigma_p\hat{R}^\top \right)[j, j] - 2 \left(\hat{R}\Sigma_p\hat{R}^\top \right)[i, j] = r_{ij}^2 \sum_{k \in T_j} \Sigma_p[k, k]$$

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Similarly, the other terms of

$$\Sigma_v = \hat{R}\Sigma_p\hat{R}^\top + \hat{X}\Sigma_q\hat{X}^\top + \hat{R}\Sigma_{pq}\hat{X}^\top + \hat{X}\Sigma_{qp}\hat{R}^\top$$

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$$\sigma_2 := \left(\hat{X}\Sigma_q\hat{X}^\top\right)[i,i] + \left(\hat{X}\Sigma_q\hat{X}^\top\right)[j,j] - 2\left(\hat{X}\Sigma_q\hat{X}^\top\right)[i,j] = x_{ij}^2 \sum_{k \in \bar{T}_j} \Sigma_q[k,k]$$

$$\sigma_3 := \left(\hat{R}\Sigma_{pq}\hat{X}^\top\right)[i,i] + \left(\hat{R}\Sigma_{pq}\hat{X}^\top\right)[j,j] - 2\left(\hat{R}\Sigma_{pq}\hat{X}^\top\right)[i,j] = r_{ij}x_{ij} \sum_{k \in \bar{T}_j} \Sigma_{pq}[k,k]$$

$$\sigma_4 := \left(\hat{X}\Sigma_{qp}\hat{R}^\top\right)[i,i] + \left(\hat{X}\Sigma_{qp}\hat{R}^\top\right)[j,j] - 2\left(\hat{X}\Sigma_{qp}\hat{R}^\top\right)[i,j] = r_{ij}x_{ij} \sum_{k \in \bar{T}_j} \Sigma_{qp}[k,k]$$

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Summing:

$$\Sigma_v[i, i] - \Sigma_v[i, j] = \sum_{k=1}^4 \sigma_k = \sum_{k \in \bar{T}_j} \left(r_{ij}^2 \Sigma_p[k, k] + x_{ij}^2 \Sigma_q[k, k] + 2r_{ij}x_{ij} \Sigma_{pq}[k, k] \right)$$