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# FEEDBACK and FEEDBACK/OPEN-LOOP NASH STRATEGIES

We have derived that on the optimal trajectory we have (stars are dropped for simplicity)

$$\dot{x} = Ax - s_1 p_1 - s_2 p_2 \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

$$\dot{p}_1 = -Q_1 x - A^T p_1 - \left(\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x}\right)^T (B_2^T p_1 + R_{12} u_2) \quad p_1(t_f) = F_1 x(t_f)$$

$$\dot{p}_2 = -Q_2 x - A^T p_2 - \left(\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x}\right)^T (B_1^T p_2 + R_{21} u_1) \quad p_2(t_f) = F_2 x(t_f)$$

For the open-loop Nash strategies

$$\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x} = 0$$

The feedback strategies ( $u_1 = u_1(x)$ ,  $u_2(x) = u_2$ ) imply  $\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} \neq 0$  and  $\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x} \neq 0$

We have already shown that

$$\frac{\partial H_1}{\partial u_1} = 0 \Rightarrow u_1^* = -R_{11}^{-1} B_1^T p_1^*$$

$$\frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_2} = 0 \Rightarrow u_2^* = -R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T p_2^*$$

Since the way to solve the TBBVP problem is to use  $p_1 = k_1 x$  and  $p_2 = k_2 x$

we get at the same price the feedback (optimal) strategies

$$u_1^* = -R_{11}^{-1} B_1^T k_1 x^*$$

$$u_2^* = -R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T k_2 x^*$$

This implies

$$\frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x} = -R_{11}^{-1} B_1^T K_1 \quad \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x} = -R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T K_2$$

Now the state-costate optimal equations corresponding to the feedback strategies become

$$\dot{x} = Ax - S_1 p_1 - S_2 p_2$$

$$\dot{p}_1 = -Q_1 x - A^T p_1 + K_2 \underbrace{B_2 R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T p_1}_{S_2} - K_2 \underbrace{B_2 R_{22}^{-1} R_{12} R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T K_2 x}_{Z_2}$$

$$\dot{p}_2 = -Q_2 x - A^T p_2 + K_1 \underbrace{B_1 R_{11}^{-1} B_1^T p_2}_{S_1} - K_1 \underbrace{B_1 R_{11}^{-1} R_{21} R_{11}^{-1} B_1^T K_1 x}_{Z_1}$$

$$\dot{x} = Ax - S_1 p_1 - S_2 p_2$$

$$x(t_0) = 0$$

$$\dot{p}_1 = -Q_1 x - K_2 Z_2 K_2 x - A^T p_1 + K_2 S_2 p_1 \quad p_1(t_f) = F_1 x(t_f)$$

$$\dot{p}_2 = -Q_2 x - K_1 Z_1 K_1 x - A^T p_2 + K_1 S_1 p_2 \quad p_2(t_f) = F_2 x(t_f)$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{p}_1 \\ \dot{p}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2 & 0 & 0 \\ -(Q_1 + K_2 Z_2 K_2) & -(A - S_2 K_2)^T & 0 \\ -(Q_2 + K_1 Z_1 K_1) & 0 & (A - S_1 K_1)^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{aligned} x(t_0) &= x_0 \\ p_1(t_f) &= F_1 x(t_f) \\ p_2(t_f) &= F_2 x(t_f) \end{aligned}$$

This two-point-boundary value problem can be solved by using

$$p_1 = K_2 x \quad \text{and} \quad p_2 = K_1 x$$

or

$$\dot{p}_1 = K_2 x + K_1 \dot{x} \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{p}_2 = K_1 x + K_2 \dot{x}$$

which reads to

$$\dot{p}_1 = k_1 x + k_2 \dot{x}$$

$$-(Q_1 + k_2 z_2 k_2) x - (A - S_2 k_2)^T p_1 = \underbrace{k_1 x}_{= k_1 x} + k_1 (A - S_1 k_1 - S_2 k_2) x$$

since these must hold for any  $x$  we have

$$-Q_1 - k_2 z_2 k_2 - A^T k_1 + k_2 S_2 k_1 = k_1 + k_1 A - k_1 S_1 k_1 - k_1 S_2 k_2.$$

or

$$-k_1 = k_1 A + A^T k_1 + Q_1 - k_1 S_1 k_1 = k_2 S_2 k_1 - k_1 S_2 k_2 + k_2 z_2 k_2$$

also  $p_1(t_f) = k_1 x(t_f) = F_1 x(t_f) \Rightarrow$

$$k_1(t_f) = F_1$$

Similarly, for  $P_2$  we have

$$-k_2 = k_2 A + A^T k_2 + Q_2 - k_2 S_2 k_2 - k_1 S_1 k_2 - k_2 S_1 k_1 + k_1 z_1 k_1, \quad k_2(t_f) = F_2$$

As, before these coupled differential equations can be solved numerically rather easily integrating backward in time.

If  $t_f \rightarrow \infty$  we get ( $k_1 = 0, k_2 = 0$ ) the system of algebraic coupled Riccati equations

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= k_1 A + A^T k_1 + Q_1 - k_1 S_1 k_1 - k_2 S_2 k_1 - k_1 S_2 k_2 + k_2 z_2 k_2 \\ 0 &= k_2 A + A^T k_2 + Q_2 - k_2 S_2 k_2 - k_1 S_1 k_2 - k_2 S_1 k_1 + k_1 z_1 k_1 \end{aligned}$$

These equations are still the subject of research.

An efficient algorithm for their numerical solution is presented by (Li and Gajee, 1988)

The algorithm is given in terms of decoupled algebraic Lyapunov equations (note that here  $k_1 = k_1^T, k_2 = k_2^T$ , which was not the case for the open-loop strategies)

$$(A - S_1 K_1^{(i)} - S_2 K_2^{(i)})^T K_1^{(i+1)} + K_1^{(i+1)} (A - S_1 K_1^{(i)} - S_2 K_2^{(i)}) \\ = - (\Omega_1 + K_1^{(i)} S_1 K_1^{(i)} + K_2^{(i)} Z_2 K_2^{(i)})$$

$$(A - S_1 K_1^{(i)} - S_2 K_2^{(i)})^T K_2^{(i+1)} + K_2^{(i+1)} (A - S_1 K_1^{(i)} - S_2 K_2^{(i)}) \\ = - (\Omega_2 + K_1^{(i)} Z_1 K_1^{(i)} + K_2^{(i)} S_2 K_2^{(i)})$$

With the unitical conditioes obtained from

$$K_1^{(0)} A + A^T K_1^{(0)} + \Omega_1 - K_1^{(0)} S_1 K_1^{(0)} = 0$$

$$K_2^{(0)} (A - S_1 K_1^{(0)}) + (A - S_1 K_1^{(0)})^T K_2^{(0)} + (\Omega_2 + K_1^{(0)} Z_1 K_1^{(0)}) - K_2^{(0)} S_2 K_2^{(0)} = 0$$

This can be easily programmed in MATLAB since MATLAB has built-in functions Lyap and are for solving algebraic Lyapunov and Riccati equations, for example

$$K_{10} = \text{are}(A, S_1, \Omega_1)$$

$$K_{11} = \text{lyap}((A - S_1 * K_{10} - S_2 * K_{20})^T, \Omega_1 + K_{10} * S_1 + K_{10} + K_{20} * Z_2 * K_{20})$$

More details about this algorithm can be found in "New Trends in Dynamic Games and Applications" pp. 333-351, G. Olsder, editor, Birkhäuser, Boston, 1995.

In summary, the closed loop feedback strategies are given by

$$u_1^* = - \tilde{P}_{11}^{-1} B_1^T \tilde{U}_1 x$$

$$u_2^* = - \tilde{P}_{22}^{-1} B_2^T \tilde{U}_2 x$$

$$\dot{x} = (A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2) x, x(t_0) = x_0$$

where  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are stabilizing ( $A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2$  must be stable) solutions of the coupled algebraic Riccati equations.

For the feedback open-loop Nash strategies one of the players uses the feedback strategy and another one uses the open-loop strategy. Let  $u_1 = u_1(t)$  and  $u_2 = u_2(t)$  then

$$\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} \neq 0 \text{ and } \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax - S_1 p_1 - S_2 p_2, & x(t_0) = x_0 \\ \dot{p}_1 = -Q_1 x - A^T p_1 \\ \dot{p}_2 = -Q_2 x - A^T p_2 - K_1 B_1 R_1^{-1} (B_1^T p_2 - P_{21} R_1^{-1} B_1^T K_2 x) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} -K_2 &= K_2 A + A^T K_2 + Q_2 - K_2 S_2 K_2 - K_2 S_1 K_1 + K_1 S_1 K_2 + K_1 Z_1 K_1 \\ &\quad K_2(t_f) = F_2 \\ -\dot{K}_1 &= K_1 A + A^T K_1 + Q_1 - K_1 S_1 K_1 - K_1 S_2 K_2, \quad K_1(t_f) = F_1 \end{aligned}$$

The symmetry is lost, that is  $K_1 \neq K_1^T \Rightarrow K_2 \neq K_2^T$   
 Solving the corresponding algebraic coupled Riccati equations is difficult.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= K_2 A + A^T K_2 + Q_2 - K_2 S_2 K_2 - K_2 S_1 K_1 - K_1 S_1 K_2 + K_1 Z_1 K_1 \\ 0 &= K_1 A + A^T K_1 + Q_1 - K_1 S_1 K_1 - K_1 S_2 K_2 \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow K_1, K_2$$

The optimal strategies are

$$u_1^* = -R_1 B_1^T K_1 x^*(t)$$

$$u_2^* = -R_1 B_1^T P_2^*(t)$$

where  $x^*$  and  $P_2^*$  satisfy the above defined TBBVP.

HOW TO FIND  $J_1^*$  and  $J_2^*$  ?

$$J_1^*(x(t_0), t_0) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t_f} (x^T Q_1 x + u_1^T R_{11} u_1 + u_2^T R_{12} u_2) dt + \frac{1}{2} x^T(t_f) F_1 x(t_f)$$

$$\dot{x}^*(t) = (A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2)x^*, \quad x^*(t_0) = x_0$$

take for simplicity  $t_0 = 0, t_f = \infty, x(t_f) = 0$

$$u_1^* = -R_{11}^{-1} B_1^T K_1 x^*$$

$$u_2^* = -R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T K_2 x^*$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$J_1^*(x(0), 0) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty x^T (Q_1 + K_1 S_1 K_1 + K_2 S_2 K_2) x^* dt$$

From the state equation we have

$$x^*(t) = e^{(A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2)t} x(0)$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$J_1^*(x(0), 0) = \frac{1}{2} x^T(0) \underbrace{\int_0^\infty e^{(A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2)t} (Q_1 + K_1 S_1 K_1 + K_2 S_2 K_2) e^{(A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2)t} dt}_{?}$$

Hence

$$J_1^*(x(0), 0) = \frac{1}{2} x^T(0) (?) x(0)$$

It can be shown that (?) satisfies the algebraic Lyapunov equation

$$(A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2)^T (?) + (?) (A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2) + Q_1 + K_1 S_1 K_1 + K_2 S_2 K_2$$

since the original algebraic Riccati equation can be written as

$$(A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2)^T K_1 + K_1 (A - S_1 K_1 - S_2 K_2) + Q_2 + K_2 S_2 K_2 + K_2 Z_1 K_1$$

We conclude  $(?) = K_1$  similarly

$$J_1^* = \frac{1}{2} x^T(0) K_1 x(0)$$

$$J_2^* = \frac{1}{2} x^T(0) K_2 x(0)$$