# Adaptive Consensus of Discrete-time Heterogeneous Multi-agent Systems

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## Multi-Agent Dynamical Systems (MADSs)

- Active research field [Fax & Murray 2004] [Olfati-Saber et al. 2007]
- Application for engineering
  - Cooperation control of robots
  - Vehicle formation
    - Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)
    - Automated Highway Systems (AHSs)



J.A. Fax and R.M. Murray, "Information flow and cooperative control of vehicle formations", 2004. R. Olfati- Saber *et al.* "Consensus and cooperation in networked multi-agent systems", 2007.

### Multi-Agent Dynamical Systems (MADSs)

- Agent = Dynamical system (with controller)
  - communicates with neighbor agents.
  - autonomously acts on local information.
- > The system as a whole achieves some objective.



- Consensus problem
  - To reach an agreement on a *certain quantity*

In this presentation,

we consider *state consensus* problem.

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} (x_i(k) - x_j(k)) = 0, \quad \forall i, j$$

 $x_i(k)$  : state vector of i 'th agent (at time step k )

Homogeneous MADSs have been mainly researched. [Fax & Murray 2004] [Olfati-Saber et al. 2007]

Large number of the agents
 The dynamics of them are

heterogeneous & uncertain.

[Wieland *et al.* 2011] :heterogeneous [Kim *et al.* 2011] :heterogeneous & uncertain



### state consensus control of uncertain heterogeneous MADSs

P. Wieland et al. "An internal model principle is necessary and sufficient for linear output synchronization," 2011.H. Kim el al. "Output consensus of heterogeneous uncertain linear multi-agent systems", 2011.

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# Adaptive control approach (1)

- A standard adaptive control can be regarded as a consensus problem of 2 agents.
- Extension to more general communication topology.



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# Adaptive control approach (3)



- Previous study (Adaptive control approach)
  - Kaizuka & Tsumura, 2010.
    - *continuous-time* systems
- Corresponding result for *discrete-time* systems is *not* straightforward.

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# **Communication topology**

• Edge  $i \leftarrow j$ 

 $\Leftrightarrow$  Agent *i* receives information of Agent *j*.

- A special agent  $l \equiv 1$  is called leader. ( $\Leftrightarrow$ known model)
- The other agent  $(2, \dots, N)$  are called followers. ( $\Leftrightarrow$  uncertain plants)

### **Assumption about Communication topology**

- There are no edges *to* the leader.
- Edges between followers are bidirectional.
- There are directed spanning trees.



# Heterogeneous dynamics of agents

Agent Dynamicsstate:  $\mathbb{R}^n$  input:  $\mathbb{R}^m$ Leader: $x_l(k+1) = A_l x_l(k) + Br(k)$ Follower: $x_i(k+1) = A_i x_i(k) + Bu_i(k)$ 

A<sub>l</sub>:known, asymptotically stable
B:known, full column rank
A<sub>i</sub>:unknown, heterogeneous, (possibly unstable)

r(k):reference input, bounded  $u_i(k)$ :control input to Agent i

**Assumption (Matching condition)** 

 $\forall i \in \{2, \dots, N\}, \exists K_i, A_l = A_i + BK_i$ 

 $\xrightarrow{+} A_i, B \xrightarrow{x_i(k)}$   $\xrightarrow{+} K_i \xrightarrow{K_i(k)}$   $\xrightarrow{K_l, B} \xrightarrow{x_i(k)}$ 

*K<sub>i</sub>* :unknown, heterogeneous 'the true value of gain' Agent Dynamicsstate:  $\mathbb{R}^n$  input:  $\mathbb{R}^m$ Leader: $x_l(k+1) = A_l x_l(k) + Br(k)$ Follower: $x_i(k+1) = A_i x_i(k) + Bu_i(k)$ 

• Design control inputs  $u_i(k)$ .

Achieve state consensus.

 $\lim_{k \to \infty} (x_i(k) - x_j(k)) = 0, \quad \forall i, j$ 

Use only the states of the *neighbors* and *its own*.



## Adaptive Controller of Follower



# Gain update law



#### <u>Theorem</u>

The controlled MADSs satisfies following.

•  $\lim_{k\to\infty} (x_i(k) - x_j(k)) = 0, \quad \forall i, j \text{ (state consensus)}$ 

# • $\sum_{i=2}^{N} \operatorname{tr}[\tilde{K}_{i}^{\mathsf{T}}Q_{i}^{-1}\tilde{K}_{i}]$ is non-increasing.

( $ilde{K}_i(k) := \hat{K}_i(k) - K_i$ : Gain error at agent i)

⇒ The gain update law is a globally stable estimator.

• The system of {state errors & gain errors} is globally stable.

(Details are given in the proceedings.)

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### Numerical example



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#### Conclusions

- We proposed a state consensus control framework for discrete-time uncertain heterogeneous MADSs.
- We showed the adaptive control based framework is also valid for discrete-time systems.
- Future works
  - Output feedback case
  - The case that none of the agent dynamics is known.

### Thank you for your attention!

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### Continuous-time vs. discrete-time

