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A Comparison Theorem for Stability of Linear Stochastic Implicit Difference Equations of Index-1

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Abstract: In this paper we study linear stochastic implicit difference equations (LSIDEs for short) of index-1. We give a definition of solution and introduce an index-1 concept for these equations. The mean square stability of LSIDEs is studied by using the method of solution evaluation. An example is given to illustrate the obtained results.

Keywords: LSIDEs, index, solution, mean square stability.

1. Introduction

In this paper, we consider the linear time-varying stochastic implicit difference equation of the form

\[ A_n X(n+1) = B_n X(n) + C_n X(n) \omega_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \]

where \( A_n, B_n, C_n \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} \), the leading coefficient \( A_n \) may be singular and \( \{ \omega_n \} \) is a standard one-dimensional scalar random process.

LSIDEs is generalization of linear stochastic difference equations, which have been well investigated in the literature, see [1-4]. They arise as mathematical models in various fields such as population dynamics, economics, electronic circuit systems or multibody mechanism systems with random noise (see, e.g. [5-8]). They can also be obtained from stochastic differential algebraic equations (SDAEs) by some discretization methods, see [9-12]. In comparison with linear stochastic
difference equations, LSIDEs present at least two major difficulties: the first lies in the fact that it is not possible to establish general existence and uniqueness results, due to their more complicated structure; the second one is that LSIDEs need to the consistence of initial conditions and random noise.

The aim of this paper is to perform the investigation of LSIDEs. The most important qualitative properties of LSIDEs are solvability and stability. To study that, the index notion, which plays a key role in the qualitative theory of LSIDEs, should be taken into consideration in the unique solvability and the stability analysis, (see, [6,13, 14] ). Motivated by the index-1 concept for SDAEs in [10, 11], in this paper we will derive the index-1 concept for SIDEs. By using this index notion, we can establish the explicit expression of solution. After that, we shall establish the necessary conditions for the mean square stability of LSIDEs by using the method of solution evaluation.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we summarize some preliminary results of matrix analysis. In Section 3, we study solvability and stability of solution of SIDEs of index-1. The last section gives some conclusions.

2. Preliminaries

Let \((A_n, A_{n-1}, B_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} \times \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} \times \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}\) be a triple of matrices. Suppose that \(\text{rank } A_n = \text{rank } A_{n-1} = r\) and let \(T_n \in \text{GL}(\mathbb{R}^d)\) such that \(T_n \mid_{\ker A_n}\) is an isomorphism between \(\ker A_n\) and \(\ker A_{n-1}\); put \(A_1 = A_0\). We can give such an operator \(T_n\) by the following way: let \(Q_n\) (resp. \(Q_{n-1}\) ) be a projector onto \(\ker A_n\) (resp. onto \(\ker A_{n-1}\) ); find the non-singular matrices \(V_n\) and \(V_{n-1}\) such that \(Q_n = V_n Q_n^{(0)} V_n^{-1}\) and \(Q_{n-1} = V_{n-1} Q_{n-1}^{(0)} V_{n-1}^{-1}\) where \(Q_n^{(0)} = \text{diag}(0, I_{d-r})\) and finally we obtain \(T_n\) by putting \(T_n = V_{n-1} V_n^{-1}\).

Now, we introduce sub-spaces and matrices

\[
S_n = \{ z \in \mathbb{R}^d : B_n z \in \text{im} A_n \}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},
G_n := A_n - B_n T_n Q_n, \quad P_n := I - Q_n,
Q_{n-1} := -T_n Q_n G_n^{-1} B_n, \quad \tilde{P}_{n-1} := I - Q_{n-1}.
\]

We have the following lemmas, see [15-17].

**Lemma 2.1.** The following assertions are equivalent

a) \(S_n \cap \ker A_{n-1} = \{0\}\);

b) The matrix \(G_n = A_n - B_n T_n Q_n\) is non-singular;

c) \(\mathbb{R}^d = S_n \oplus \ker A_{n-1}\).

**Lemma 2.2.** Suppose that the matrix \(G_n\) is non-singular. Then, there hold the following relations:

i) \(P_n = G_n^{-1} A_n\), where \(P_n = I - Q_n\);

ii) \(-G_n^{-1} B_n T_n Q_n = Q_n\);
iii) $Q_{n-1}$ is the projector onto $\ker A_{n-1}$ along $S_n$;

iv) $P_nG_n^{-1}B_n = P_nG_n^{-1}B_nP_{n-1}$, $Q_nG_n^{-1}B_n = Q_nG_n^{-1}B_nP_{n-1} - T_n^{-1}Q_{n-1}$;

v) $T_nQ_nG_n^{-1}$ does not depend on the choice of $T_n$ and $Q_n$.

Finally, let $\{\Omega, F, P\}$ be a basic probability space, $F_n \in F, n \in \mathbb{N}$, be a family of $\sigma-$algebraic, $E$ be an expectation, $\{\omega_n\} : \omega_n \in \mathbb{R}$ be a sequence of mutually independent $F_n-$ adapted random variables and independent on $F_k$, $k < n$ satisfying $E\omega_n = 0$, $E\omega^2 = 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

3. Main results

Let us consider the linear stochastic implicit difference equations (LSIDEs)

$$A_nX(n+1) = B_nX(n) + C_nX(n)\omega_{n+1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

(3.1)

with the initial condition $X(0) = P_{-1}X_0$ where $A_n, B_n, C_n \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ with rank $A_n = r < d$ and $\{\omega_n\} : \omega_n \in \mathbb{R}$ is a sequence of mutually independent $F_n-$ adapted random variables and independent on $F_k$, $k < n$ satisfying $E\omega_n = 0$, $E\omega^2 = 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. The homogeneous equation associated to (3.1) is

$$A_nX(n+1) = B_nX(n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$  

(3.2)

**Definition 3.1.** A stochastic process $\{X(n)\}$ is said to be a solution of the SIDE (3.1) if with probability 1, $X(n)$ satisfies (3.1) for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $X(n)$ is $F_n-$ measurable.

Now, we give an index-1 concept for LSIDEs.

**Definition 3.2.** The LSIDE (3.1) called tractable with index 1 (or for short, of index-1) if

(i) rank $A_n = r =$ constant;

(ii) $\ker A_{n-1} \cap S_n = \{0\}$;

(iii) $\text{im } C_n \subset \text{im } A_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

**Remark 1.** The conditions (i) and (ii) are used for the index-1 concept for implicit difference equations, see [15-17]. This natural restriction (iii) is the so-called condition that the noise sources do not appear in the constraints, or equivalently a requirement that the constraint part of solution process is not directly affected by random noise which is motivated by the index-1 concept for SDAEs (see, e.g. [10, 11]).

By using the above notion, we solve the problem of existence and uniqueness of solution of (3.1) in the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.3.** If equation (3.1) is of index-1, then for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and with the initial condition $X(0) = P_{-1}X_0$, it admits a unique solution $X(n)$ which given by the formula
\[ X(n) = \tilde{P}_n u(n), \]  

where \( \{u_n\} \) is a sequence of \( F_n \) - adapted random variables defined by the equation

\[ u(n+1) = P_n G_n^{-1} B_n u(n) + P_n G_n^{-1} C_n P_{n-1} u(n) \omega_{n+1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \]

**Proof.** Since \( G_n^{-1} A_n = P_n \), \( P_n G_n^{-1} A_n = P_n \) and \( Q_n G_n^{-1} A_n = 0 \). Therefore, multiplying both sides of equation (3.1) by \( P_n G_n^{-1} \) and \( Q_n G_n^{-1} \) we get

\[
\begin{align*}
&P_n X(n+1) = P_n G_n^{-1} B_n X(n) + P_n G_n^{-1} C_n X(n) \omega_{n+1}, \\
&0 = Q_n G_n^{-1} B_n X(n) + Q_n G_n^{-1} C_n X(n) \omega_{n+1}.
\end{align*}
\]

Since equation (3.1) is of index -1, \( im \ C_n \subseteq im \ A_n \) and hence \( Q_n G_n^{-1} C_n = 0 \). Then the above equation is reduced to

\[
\begin{align*}
P_n X(n+1) &= P_n G_n^{-1} B_n X(n) + P_n G_n^{-1} C_n X(n) \omega_{n+1}, \\
0 &= Q_n G_n^{-1} B_n X(n).
\end{align*}
\]

On the other hand, by item iv) of Lemma 2.2, we have

\[
P_n G_n^{-1} B_n = P_{n-1} G_{n-1} B_{n-1}, \quad Q_n G_n^{-1} B_n = Q_{n-1} G_{n-1} B_{n-1} - T_{n-1} Q_{n-1}.
\]

Therefore, (3.4) is equivalent to

\[
\begin{align*}
P_n X(n+1) &= P_n G_n^{-1} B_n X(n) + P_n G_n^{-1} C_n X(n) \omega_{n+1}, \\
\big( Q_{n-1} G_{n-1} B_{n-1} - T_{n-1} Q_{n-1} \big) X(n) &= 0,
\end{align*}
\]

or equivalently,

\[
\begin{align*}
P_n X(n+1) &= P_n G_n^{-1} B_n X(n) + P_n G_n^{-1} C_n X(n) \omega_{n+1}, \\
Q_{n-1} X(n) &= T_{n-1} Q_{n-1} G_{n-1} B_{n-1} X(n).
\end{align*}
\]

Putting \( u(n) = P_{n-1} X(n), \ v(n) = Q_{n-1} X(n) \), we imply that \( v(n) = -\tilde{Q}_{n-1} u(n) \) and

\[
X(n) = P_{n-1} X(n) + Q_{n-1} X(n) = u(n) + v(n) = u(n) - \tilde{Q}_{n-1} u(n) = \big( I - \tilde{Q}_{n-1} \big) u(n) = \tilde{P}_{n-1} u(n).
\]

Therefore, equation (3.5) becomes

\[
\begin{align*}
u(n+1) &= P_n G_n^{-1} B_n u(n) + P_n G_n^{-1} C_n \tilde{P}_{n-1} u(n) \omega_{n+1}, \\
v(n) &= -\tilde{Q}_{n-1} u(n).
\end{align*}
\]

The first equation of (3.7) is an explicit stochastic difference equation. For a given initial condition \( u(0) \), this equation determines the unique solution \( u(n) \) which is \( F_n \) – measurable. This implies that \( v(n) = -\tilde{Q}_{n-1} u(n) \) and \( X(n) = \tilde{P}_{n-1} u(n) \) are so. Thus, with the consistent initial condition
$X(0) = \tilde{P}_{-1}X_0$, equation (3.1) have a unique solution $X(n)$ which is given by formulas (3.6), (3.7). The proof is complete.

Now, we study stability of the SIDE (3.1) of index-1. First, we introduce the following stability notion.

**Definition 3.4.** The trivial solution of equation (3.1) is called:
- Mean square stable if for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $E\|X(n)\|^2 < \varepsilon$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, if $E\|P_{-1}X(0)\|^2 < \delta$.
- Asymptotically mean square stable if it is mean square stable and with $E\|P_{-1}X(0)\|^2 < \infty$ the solution $X(n)$ of (3.1) satisfies $\lim_{n \to \infty} E\|X(n)\|^2 = 0$.

If the trivial solution of equation (3.1) is mean square stable (resp. asymptotically mean square stable) then we say equation (3.1) is mean square stable (resp. asymptotically mean square stable).

**Theorem 3.5.** Assume that $K_1 := \sup_{n \geq 0} \|\tilde{P}_{n-1}\| < \infty$. Then if there exists a positive sequence $\{\alpha_n\}$ with $K_2 := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n < \infty$ such that

$$\left\|P_n G_n^{-1}B_n\right\|^2 + \left\|P_n G_n^{-1}C_n \tilde{P}_{n-1}\right\|^2 \leq 1 + \alpha_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0,$$

then equation (3.1) is mean square stable. If there exists a positive sequence $\{\beta_n\}$ with $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n = \infty$ such that

$$\left\|P_n G_n^{-1}B_n\right\|^2 + \left\|P_n G_n^{-1}C_n \tilde{P}_{n-1}\right\|^2 \leq 1 - \beta_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0,$$

then equation (3.1) is asymptotically mean square stable.

**Proof.** We have

$$\left\|u(n+1)\right\|^2 = \left\|P_n G_n^{-1}B_n u(n) + P_n G_n^{-1}C_n X(n)\omega_{n+1}\right\|^2$$

$$= \left\{P_n G_n^{-1}B_n u(n) + P_n G_n^{-1}C_n X(n)\omega_{n+1}, P_n G_n^{-1}B_n u(n) + P_n G_n^{-1}C_n X(n)\omega_{n+1}\right\}$$

$$= \left\{P_n G_n^{-1}B_n u(n), P_n G_n^{-1}B_n u(n)\right\} + 2 \left\{P_n G_n^{-1}B_n u(n), P_n G_n^{-1}C_n X(n)\omega_{n+1}\right\}$$

$$+ \left\{P_n G_n^{-1}C_n X(n)\omega_{n+1}, P_n G_n^{-1}C_n X(n)\omega_{n+1}\right\}$$

$$= \left\|P_n G_n^{-1}B_n u(n)\right\|^2 + 2 \left\{P_n G_n^{-1}B_n u(n), P_n G_n^{-1}C_n X(n)\right\}\omega_{n+1}$$

$$+ \left\|P_n G_n^{-1}C_n X(n)\right\|^2 \omega_{n+1}.$$
\[ E \left( \| P_n G_n^{-1} C_n X(n) \|^2 \omega_{n+1}^2 \right) = E \left( \| P_n G_n^{-1} C_n X(n) \|^2 \right) E \omega_{n+1}^2 \]
\[ = E \left( \| P_n G_n^{-1} C_n X(n) \|^2 \right) = E \left( \| P_n G_n^{-1} C_n \tilde{P}_{n-1} \|^2 \right). \]

Therefore,
\[ E \| u(n+1) \|^2 = E \| P_n G_n^{-1} B_n u(n) \|^2 + E \| P_n G_n^{-1} C_n \tilde{P}_{n-1} u(n) \|^2 \]
\[ \leq \left( \| P_n G_n^{-1} B_n \|^2 + \| P_n G_n^{-1} C_n \tilde{P}_{n-1} \|^2 \right) E \| u(n) \|^2. \]

If \( \| P_n G_n^{-1} B_n \|^2 + \| P_n G_n^{-1} C_n \tilde{P}_{n-1} \|^2 \leq 1 + \alpha_n \), then
\[ E \| u(n+1) \|^2 \leq (1 + \alpha_n) E \| u(n) \|^2 \leq e^{\alpha_n} E \| u(n) \|^2, \quad \forall n \geq 0. \]

By induction, we get
\[ E \| u(n) \|^2 \leq e^{\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \alpha_i} E \| u(0) \|^2 \leq e^{\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \alpha_i} E \| u(0) \|^2. \]

This implies that \( E \| X(n) \|^2 = E \| \tilde{P}_{n-1} u(n) \|^2 \leq K_n e^{K_n} E \| u(0) \|^2. \) Therefore, by the definition, equation (3.1) is mean square stable. Similarly, if \( \| P_n G_n^{-1} B_n \|^2 + \| P_n G_n^{-1} C_n \tilde{P}_{n-1} \|^2 \leq 1 - \beta_n \), then we get
\[ E \| X(n) \|^2 \leq K_n e^{\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \beta_i} E \| u(0) \|^2. \]

Since \( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n = \infty, \lim_{n \to \infty} E \| X(n) \|^2 = 0 \) and hence equation (3.1) is asymptotically mean square stable. The theorem is proved.

Now consider the LSIDE with constant coefficient
\[ AX(n+1) = BX(n) + CX(n) \omega_{n+1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (3.8) \]
where \( A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} \) and \( \{ \omega_n \} : \omega_n \in \mathbb{R} \) is a sequence of mutually independent \( F_n \) -adapted random variables and independent on \( F_k, k < n \) satisfying \( E \omega_n = 0, E \omega_n^2 = 1 \) for all \( n \in \mathbb{N} \). Note that the pair \( (A, B) \) of index-1 can be transformed to Weierstrass-Kronecker canonical form, i.e., there exist nonsingular matrices \( W, U \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} \) such that
\[ A = W \begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} U^{-1}, \quad B = W \begin{pmatrix} J & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-r} \end{pmatrix} U^{-1}, \]
\[ (3.9) \]
where \( I_r, I_{n-r} \) are identity matrices of indicated size, \( J \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r} \) (see, e.g. [13,18]). Then, we have
\[ P_n = \tilde{P}_n = P = U \begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} U^{-1}, \quad Q_n = \tilde{Q}_n = Q = U \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-r} \end{pmatrix} U^{-1}, \]
\[ G = A - BQ = W \begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & -I_{n-r} \end{pmatrix} U^{-1}. \]

**Corollary 3.6.** Assume that equation (3.8) has index-1. Then, if \( \|PG^{-1}B\|^2 + \|PG^{-1}CP\|^2 \leq 1 \) then equation (3.1) is mean square stable. If \( \|PG^{-1}B\|^2 + \|PG^{-1}CP\|^2 < 1 \) then equation (3.8) is asymptotically mean square stable.

**Example 3.7.** Consider the LSIDE with constant coefficient (3.8) with

\[
A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.
\]

Then, it is easy to see that \( P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \), \( G = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \) and we obtain

\[
\|PG^{-1}B\|^2 + \|PG^{-1}CP\|^2 = \frac{5}{6} < 1.
\]

Thus, this equation is asymptotically mean square stable.

**4. Conclusion**

In this paper, we have investigated linear stochastic implicit difference equations (LSIDEs). The index-1 concept for these equations has been derived. After that we have established the explicit expression of solution. Finally, characterizations of the mean square stability for LSIDEs are given by the method of solution evaluation.

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