

A matrix quadratic equation

Consider the equation

$$(f_{y+} g_y g_y + f_{y_0} g_y + f_{y-}) \hat{y} = 0$$

Two approaches

- The generalized Schur decomposition
- The cyclic reduction approach

Generalized Schur decomposition approach

Consider the structural state space representation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & f_{y_+} \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ g_y \end{bmatrix} g_y \hat{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -f_{y_-} & -f_{y_0} \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ g_y \end{bmatrix} \hat{y}$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & f_{y_+} \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_t - \bar{y} \\ y_{t+1} - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -f_{y_-} & -f_{y_0} \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_{t-1} - \bar{y} \\ y_t - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

Structural state space representation

$$Dx_{t+1} = Ex_t$$

with

$$x_{t+1} = \begin{bmatrix} y_t - \bar{y} \\ y_{t+1} - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} \quad x_t = \begin{bmatrix} y_{t-1} - \bar{y} \\ y_t - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

- There are multiple solutions but we want a unique stable one.
- Need to discuss eigenvalues of this linear system.
- Problem when D is singular.

Real generalized Schur decomposition

Taking the real generalized Schur decomposition of the pencil $\langle E, D \rangle$:

$$D = QTZ$$

$$E = QSZ$$

with T , upper triangular, S quasi-upper triangular, $Q'Q = I$ and $Z'Z = I$.

Generalized eigenvalues

λ_j solves

$$\lambda_j D x_j = E x_j$$

For diagonal blocks on S of dimension 1×1 :

- $T_{ii} \neq 0$: $\lambda_i = \frac{S_{ii}}{T_{ii}}$
- $T_{ii} = 0, S_{ii} > 0$: $\lambda_i = +\infty$
- $T_{ii} = 0, S_{ii} < 0$: $\lambda_i = -\infty$
- $T_{ii} = 0, S_{ii} = 0$: $\lambda_i \in \mathcal{C}$

A pair of complex eigenvalues

When a diagonal block of matrix S is a 2×2 matrix of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_{ii} & S_{i,i+1} \\ S_{i+1,i} & S_{i+1,i+1} \end{bmatrix},$$

- the corresponding block of matrix T is a diagonal matrix,
- $(S_{i,i} T_{i+1,i+1} + S_{i+1,i+1} T_{i,i})^2 < -4 S_{i+1,i} S_{i+1,i} T_{i,i} T_{i+1,i+1}$,
- there is a pair of conjugate eigenvalues

$\lambda_i, \lambda_{i+1} =$

$$\frac{S_{ii} T_{i+1,i+1} + S_{i+1,i+1} T_{i,i} \pm \sqrt{(S_{i,i} T_{i+1,i+1} - S_{i+1,i+1} T_{i,i})^2 + 4 S_{i+1,i} S_{i+1,i} T_{i,i} T_{i+1,i+1}}}{2 T_{i,i} T_{i+1,i+1}}$$

Applying the decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} D \begin{bmatrix} I \\ g_y \end{bmatrix} g_y \hat{y} &= E \begin{bmatrix} I \\ g_y \end{bmatrix} \hat{y} \\ \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ 0 & T_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ g_y \end{bmatrix} g_y \hat{y} & \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ 0 & S_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I \\ g_y \end{bmatrix} \hat{y} \end{aligned}$$

Selecting the stable trajectory

To exclude explosive trajectories, one imposes

$$Z_{21} + Z_{22}g_y = 0$$

$$g_y = -Z_{22}^{-1}Z_{21}$$

A unique stable trajectory exists if Z_{22} is non-singular: there are as many roots larger than one in modulus as there are forward-looking variables in the model (Blanchard and Kahn condition) and the rank condition is satisfied.

An alternative algorithm: Cyclic reduction

- Solving

$$A_0 + A_1X + A_2X^2$$

- Iterate

$$A_0^{(k+1)} = -A_0^{(k)}(A_1^{(k)})^{-1}A_0^{(k)},$$

$$A_1^{(k+1)} = A_1^{(k)} - A_0^{(k)}(A_1^{(k)})^{-1}A_2^{(k)} - A_2^{(k)}(A_1^{(k)})^{-1}A_0^{(k)},$$

$$A_2^{(k+1)} = -A_2^{(k)}(A_1^{(k)})^{-1}A_2^{(k)},$$

$$\widehat{A}_1^{(k+1)} = \widehat{A}_1^{(k)} - A_2^{(k)}(A_1^{(k)})^{-1}A_0^{(k)}.$$

for $k = 1, \dots$ with $A_0^{(1)} = A_0$, $A_1^{(1)} = A_1$, $A_2^{(1)} = A_2$, $\widehat{A}_1^{(1)} = A_1$ and until $\|A_0^{(k)}\|_\infty < \epsilon$ and $\|A_2^{(k)}\|_\infty < \epsilon$.

- Then

$$X \approx -(\widehat{A}_1^{(k+1)})^{-1}A_0$$