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Chapter

Design of Earth Quake Responses Decentralized Controller in Smart Building Systems

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Abstract

Many building systems are known to have complex structure with large dimension variables that characterize its mathematical models. In such case, it is basically desirable to use avoid the use of centralized controller due to the possibility of dimension increase during its implementation. The design of decentralized controller has faced tremendous success especially for large scale systems. The main objective of this book chapter is to design decentralized controller for building system in order to avoid the damages that will be caused by the earth quake responses. This controller is designed to increase the robustness and improve the smart building system responses toward different earth quakes. The optimized behavior of the control system has been analyzed and tested in the framework of the inclusion-contraction of the overlapping decomposition theories. Moreover, the application of this control strategy to smart building system has led to significantly minimize the damages that can be generally caused by the severe earth quakes. Thence, the obtained results have demonstrated the usefulness of the proposed controller for constructing smart cities.

Keywords: decentralized controller, earth quake responses, overlapping decomposition, smart building systems, smart cities

1. Introduction

Describing the behavior of many mechanical and engineering systems may let us end up with high dimensional mathematical models. The analysis and design problems of such systems become very complex; since the solution may not be found easily due to the huge amount of computation efforts required to simulate and analyze the dynamic process of the system, which may lead to large scale decentralized controller [1]. Therefore, new techniques and strategies should be designed in order to optimize the controller through decomposing it into simpler subsystems, so that, the control of such systems can be combined together in order to control the original global system. The objective of this paper is to design a decentralized optimal controller of wellknown example of overlapping system using extension principle; our work is development of (*L. Bakule* and *J. Rodellar 1995*) paper by improving the performance of responses using optimization technique. We will see in this book chapter the application of decentralized optimal overlapping decomposition for six floor building system, for which we have given brief mathematical description of the system and the process being applied. It has been found that designing an algorithm for such type of systems is possible and very useful because it satisfies condition for this algorithm (condition of expansion/contraction, condition of contractibility of controllers). The chapter is organized as follows, in the second section, a six-floor building system mathematical model has been carefully described in order to permit the readers understand the dynamic behavior of the system. In section three, the theories of expansion/contraction have been introduced so that it will allows us to design an overlapping decentralized controller for the system under study. In section four, the contractibility of the designed controller has been discussed for application to the original system after decomposition. In the fifth section, we have proposed a controller based on the introduced theories in order to minimize the six floor building system under sever earthquake input signals. The controller robustness and performance have been demonstrated through simulation results in section six. The chapter has been ended up by conclusion and recommendation for implementation in smart building system which will be an important step toward smart cities.

2. System description

Construction engineering is very important term that gathers many disciplines that varies from physics, mechanics, electronics and control [1]. It is applied science, for which engineers build different structures within the scope of civil engineering, smart building systems; thus, it is scientific discipline to the design of building that defines smart cities [2]. People combined a practical knowledge of materials and construction with the mathematics and science that were then available [3].

Consider the mechanical second order building system shown in **Figures 1** and **2**. The system is composed of six floor build in concrete cement and it is under continuous vibrations created by the continuous movement of the earth and earth-quakes. The system's dynamic is described by first order differential equation written in the matrix form, the size of the matrix is proportional to the number of floors and earthquake sensors installed for each as well as the actuators at the level of each floor or set of floors. The actuators are designed to create a counter force synchronously to the building dynamic.

The system shown in **Figure 1** can be represented by the following mathematical model

$$\begin{cases} M\ddot{q} + D\dot{q} + Sq = Bu\\ y = Cq\\ v = V\dot{q} \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

Where:

 $M: 6 \times 6Z$ is the mass matrix, symmetric, positive definite matrix. $D: 6 \times 6Z$ is the damping matrix.

 $S: 6 \times 6Z$ is the stiffness matrix.



Figure 1.

Overlapping structure of building system [1].

 $q: 6 \times 1Z$ is the displacement vector, represents the degree of freedom of the system.

 $B: 6 \times 3Z$ is the input matrix, represents locations of actuators.

 $u : 3 \times 1Z$ is the input signal, sinusoidal signal in this example.

Eq. (1) indicate the response of building system to earthquake; **Figure 3** shows a failure response to real earthquake system [1, 4].

Eq. (1) can be written as.

or

$$\begin{cases} q = T^{I}q_{e} \\ u = Uu_{e} \\ y = G^{I}y_{e} \\ v = H^{I}v_{e} \end{cases}$$
(2)

Where $T^{I}T = I_{n} = I_{6}$, $UU^{I} = I_{m} = I_{3} G^{I}G = I_{p} = I_{6}$, $H^{T}H = I_{r} = I_{6}$. And T^{I} , U^{I} , G^{I} , H^{I} indicates the pseudo-inverse of T, U, G, H respectively [2].









Figure 3. *Failure response of a building system to earthquake disturbances* [1].

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} & M_{13} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} & M_{23} \\ M_{31} & M_{32} & M_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{q}_1 \\ \ddot{q}_2 \\ \ddot{q}_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} & D_{13} \\ D_{21} & D_{22} & D_{23} \\ D_{31} & D_{32} & D_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{q}_1 \\ \dot{q}_2 \\ \dot{q}_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & S_{13} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} & S_{23} \\ S_{31} & S_{32} & S_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & B_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & C_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & V_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{q}_1 \\ \dot{q}_2 \\ \dot{q}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$
(3)

Where dashed lines indicate the subsystems, in this example we have only two subsystems S_1 and S_2 that shares common informations (M_{22} , D_{22} , S_{22} , B_{22} , C_{22} , V_{22}) [1].

3. Expansion and contraction

We have the overlapping system (1) and we want to transform it into nonoverlapping system described by

$$s_e: \begin{cases} M_e \ddot{q}_e + D_e \dot{q}_e + S_e q_e = B_e u_e \\ y_e = C_e q_e \\ v_e = V_e \dot{q}_e \end{cases}$$
(4)

To do that we consider the transformation matrices between systems (1) and (3) $\begin{cases}
q_e = Tq \\
u_e = U^I u \\
y_e = Gy \\
v_e = Hv
\end{cases}$ (5)

The system described by Eq. (3) is said to be an expansion of the system described by (1) (or the system described by (1) is considered to be a contraction of the system (3)) if there exist transformation T, U, G and H that satisfied Eq. (4) so that for any initial states $(q_e(0), \dot{q}_e(0))$ and for any input $u_e(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ for all $t \ge 0$ [5], we have

$$\begin{cases} q_e(0) = Tq(0) \\ \dot{q}_e(0) = T\dot{q}(0) \\ u(t) = Uu_e(t) \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} q_e(t) = Tq(t) \\ \dot{q}_e(t) = T\dot{q}(t) \\ v_e(t) = Hv(t) \end{cases}$$
(6)

Essentially there exist two (02) methods to derive condition of extension:

• Method one

Requires working directly with the matrix second order equation in both original and extended system which means we need to use the matrices M and M_e [1].

• Method two

Starts by transforming the second order system into an equivalent first order system \Rightarrow requires working with M^{-1} and M_e^{-1} . Consider the system (1) and its expansion (3); define the state vectors x, x_e as:

Consider the system (1) and its expansion (3); define the state vectors x, x_e as: $x = (q^T, \dot{q}^T)^T, x_e = (q_e^T, \dot{q}_e^T)^T$ then Eqs. (1) and (2) can be written as

$$s_x : \begin{cases} \dot{x} = A_x x + B_x u \\ y_x = C_x x \end{cases}$$
(7)

$$s_{ex}: \begin{cases} \dot{x}_e = A_{ex}x_e + B_{ex}u_e \\ y_{ex} = C_{ex}x_e \end{cases}$$
(8)

Where

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And

$$\begin{cases}
A_{ex} = \begin{bmatrix}
0_{8 \times 8} & I_8 \\
-M_e^{-1}S_e & -M_e^{-1}D_e
\end{bmatrix} \\
B_{ex} = \begin{bmatrix}
0_{8 \times 4} \\
M_e^{-1}B_e
\end{bmatrix} \\
C_{ex} = diag(C_e, V_e)
\end{cases}$$

Consider the transformation T, U, G satisfying (6) for the original system; define the transform for the expanded system as.

 $T_d = diag(T, T); C_d = diag(G, H).$

This implies that

$$\begin{cases} x_e(0) = T_d x(0) \\ u(t) = U u_e(t) \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_e(t) = T_d x(t) \\ y_{ex}(t) = C_d x(t) \end{cases}$$
(9)

A. Theorem one

The system s_e is an extension of the system s or equivalently s is dis-extension of s_e if and only if there exists full rank transformation matrices T, U, G and H such that

$$\begin{cases}
M_e^{-1}S_eT = TM^{-1}S \\
M_e^{-1}D_eT = TM^{-1}D \\
M_e^{-1}B_e = TM^{-1}BU \\
GC = C_eT \\
HV = V_eT
\end{cases}$$
(10)

These equations are found by transforming the system (1) and (3) into state space model [6].

Eq. (10) can be written as

$$\begin{cases}
M_e^{-1} = TM^{-1}T^I + M_{cq} \\
S_e = TST^I + S_{cq} \\
D_e = TDT^I + D_{cq} \\
B_e = TBU + B_{cq} \\
C_e = GCT^I + C_c \\
V_e = HVT^I + V_c
\end{cases}$$
(11)

With M_e, S_e, D_e, B_e, C_e and V_e are given by

$$M_{e} = \begin{bmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} & 0 & M_{13} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} & 0 & M_{23} \\ M_{21} & 0 & M_{22} & M_{23} \\ M_{31} & 0 & M_{32} & M_{33} \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_{e} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} & 0 & D_{13} \\ D_{21} & D_{22} & 0 & D_{23} \\ D_{21} & 0 & D_{22} & D_{23} \\ D_{31} & 0 & D_{32} & D_{33} \end{bmatrix},$$
$$S_{e} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & 0 & S_{13} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} & 0 & S_{23} \\ S_{21} & 0 & S_{22} & S_{23} \\ S_{31} & 0 & S_{32} & S_{33} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_{e} = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_{22} & B_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & B_{33} \end{bmatrix},$$
$$C_{e} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & C_{22} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C_{33} \end{bmatrix}, \quad V_{e} = \begin{bmatrix} V_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V_{22} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & V_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & V_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Where M_{qc} , S_{qc} , D_{qc} , B_{qc} , C_{qc} and V_{qc} are complementary matrices defined in such way to satisfy the condition of extension [6, 7].

A. Theorem two

The system (2) is an expansion of the system (1) if

$$\begin{cases}
M_{qc}T = 0 \\
K_{qc}T = 0 \\
D_{qc}T = 0 \\
B_{qc} = 0 \\
C_{qc}T = 0 \\
V_{qc}T = 0 \\
V_{qc}T = 0
\end{cases}$$
(12)

Eq. (12) is satisfied by choosing the complementary matrices as

$$[.]_{qc} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.5[.]_{12} & -0.5[.]_{12} & 0\\ 0 & 0.5[.]_{22} & -0.5[.]_{22} & 0\\ 0 & -0.5[.]_{22} & 0.5[.]_{22} & 0\\ 0 & -0.5[.]_{32} & 0.5[.]_{32} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
(13)

4. Contractibility of controllers

Let us consider the controller given by Eq. (14), for the overlapping building system

$$u = Fy + Lv + w \tag{14}$$

And Let us consider the controller given by Eq. (15) for the expanded system of the building system:



Where w and w_e are the external inputs of the smart building system [1, 8].

A. Theorem three

The controller described by Eq. (15) is contractible to the controller given by Eq. (14) if and only if

$$\begin{cases} FC = UF_e GC \\ LV = UL_e HV \end{cases}$$
(16)

B. Theorem four

If Eq. (2) is an extension of Eq. (1) and if Eq. (2) is stable (respectively asymptotically stable) then Eq. (1) is stable (respectively asymptotically stable) [6, 9].

5. Decentralized optimal output feedback control

A. Problem's frame

Consider the system (7); our goal is to find control law $u = Ky_x$ to minimize the cost function



is asymptotically stable

B. Problem Solution

First we have the following two subsystems that have been extracted from the expanded system

$$\begin{cases}
M_{1}\ddot{q}_{e1} + D_{1}\dot{q}_{e1} + S_{1}q_{e1} = B_{1}u_{e1} \\
y_{e1} = C_{1}q_{e1} \\
v_{e1} = V_{1}\dot{q}_{e1} \\
\begin{cases}
M_{2}\ddot{q}_{e2} + D_{2}\dot{q}_{e2} + S_{2}q_{e2} = B_{2}u_{e2} \\
y_{e2} = C_{2}q_{e2} \\
v_{e2} = V_{2}\dot{q}_{e2}
\end{cases}$$
(20)

Let us transform these two subsystems into state space form to get

$$s_{1}:\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{e1} = A_{ex1}x_{e1} + B_{ex1}u_{e1} \\ y_{1} = C_{ex1}x_{e1} \end{cases}$$
(21)
$$s_{2}:\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{e2} = A_{ex2}x_{e2} + B_{ex2}u_{e2} \\ y_{2} = C_{ex2}x_{e2} \end{cases}$$
(22)

Where:

$$\begin{cases} A_{ex1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{(2+2)\times(2+2)} & I_{(2+2)\times(2+2)} \\ -M_1^{-1}S_1 & -M_1^{-1}D_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ B_{ex1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{(2+2)\times(2+2)} \\ -M_1^{-1}B_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ C_{ex1} = diag(C_1, V_1) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} A_{ex2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{(2+2)\times(2+2)} & I_{(2+2)\times(2+2)} \\ -M_2^{-1}S_2 & -M_2^{-1}D_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ B_{ex2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{(2+2)\times(2+2)} \\ -M_2^{-1}B_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ C_{ex2} = diag(C_2, V_2) \end{cases}$$

We will try to generate the optimal output feedback for each subsystem as $u_i = K_i y_i$; i = 1, 2, to each subsystem we associate the performance index:

$$J_{i} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (x_{i}^{T}Q_{i}x_{i} + u_{i}^{T}R_{i}u_{i})dt \ i = 1, 2$$
(23)

The necessary and sufficient conditions of optimality for each subsystem are:

$$\begin{cases} \phi_{i}^{T}P_{i} + P_{i}\phi_{i} + Q_{i} + C_{xi}^{T}K_{i}^{T}R_{i}K_{i}C_{xi} = 0\\ K_{i} = -R_{i}^{-1}B_{xi}^{T}P_{i}L_{i}C_{xi}^{T}(C_{xi}L_{i}C_{xi}^{T})^{-1}\\ \phi_{i}L_{i} + L_{i}\phi_{i}^{T} + X_{0i} = 0 \end{cases}$$
(24)

Where $\phi_i = A_i + B_{xi}K_iC_{xi}$, $X_{0i} = x_{0i}x_{0i}^T$; generally we take $x_{0i} = I$. The optimal cost can be found as:

$$J_i = .5^* trace(P_i X_{0i}) \tag{25}$$

And the optimal control law as $u_i = K_i y_i$ where

$$K_{i} = \begin{bmatrix} K_{11}^{i} & K_{12}^{i} & K_{13}^{i} & K_{14}^{i} \\ K_{21}^{i} & K_{22}^{i} & K_{23}^{i} & K_{24}^{i} \end{bmatrix}$$
(26)

The control law for expanded system is

$$K_{i} = \begin{bmatrix} K_{11}^{1} & K_{12}^{1} & 0 & 0 & K_{13}^{1} & K_{14}^{1} & 0 & 0 \\ K_{21}^{1} & K_{22}^{1} & 0 & 0 & K_{23}^{1} & K_{24}^{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & K_{11}^{2} & K_{12}^{2} & 0 & 0 & K_{13}^{2} & K_{14}^{2} \\ 0 & 0 & K_{21}^{2} & K_{22}^{2} & 0 & 0 & K_{23}^{2} & K_{24}^{2} \end{bmatrix}$$
(27)

and the contracted control law for the original system is:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} K_{11}^{1} & K_{12}^{1} & 0 & K_{13}^{1} & K_{14}^{1} & 0 \\ K_{21}^{1} & K_{22}^{1} + K_{11}^{2} & K_{12}^{2} & K_{21}^{1} & K_{24}^{1} + K_{13}^{2} & K_{14}^{2} \\ 0 & K_{21}^{2} & K_{22}^{2} & 0 & K_{23}^{2} & K_{24}^{2} \end{bmatrix}$$
(28)

To apply this control law for the original mechanical system, we must write it in the form:

$$u = Fy + Lv + w \tag{29}$$

Where: w is the external input to the mechanical system [6, 10]. We have

$$\begin{cases} K = [F, L] \\ K_e = [F_e, L_e] \end{cases}$$
(30)

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$$\begin{cases} F = \begin{bmatrix} K_{11}^1 & K_{12}^1 & 0 \\ K_{21}^1 & K_{22}^1 + K_{11}^2 & K_{12}^2 \\ 0 & K_{21}^2 & K_{22}^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ L = \begin{bmatrix} K_{13}^1 & K_{14}^1 & 0 \\ K_{23}^1 & K_{24}^1 + K_{13}^2 & K_{14}^2 \\ 0 & K_{23}^2 & K_{24}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$
(31)

Now the projection of this control law onto the original mechanical system gives [11]:

$$\begin{cases}
M\ddot{q} + (D + BLV)\dot{q} + (K + BFC)q = Bw \\
y = Cq \\
v = V\dot{q}
\end{cases}$$
(32)

6. Simulation results and discussion

Results founded in this paper using Matlab environment, where first, we started with centralized non-optimal controller for each floor as shown in figures below (**Figures 4-6**).

Then we apply decentralized non-optimal controller for the same floors (**Figures 7–10**).

We notice that in common floor (**Figures 8** and **10**) the response of system in closed loop form still effective; this is according to the interconnection between subsystems **Figure 11**.



Figure 4. Centralized non-optimal control system (flour 2).





Figure 6. Centralized non-optimal control system (flour 6).



Decentralized non-optimal control sub-system 1 (flour 2).



Figure 8. Decentralized non-optimal control sub-system 1(flour 4).





Figure 10. Decentralized non-optimal control sub-system 2(flour 4).



Centralized optimal control system (flour 2).



Figure 12. *Centralized optimal control system (flour 6).*

An optimization technique was applied for centralized and decentralized controller as show in figure below:

Even when we applied optimization responses in **Figure 12** still valuable which may make damages to the building. The cost function of centralized controller is $J_t = 7.31 \times 10^3$ while decentralized controller gives (**Figures 13-16**).

The cost functions of subsystems 1 and 2 are respectively $J_1 = 2.47 * 10^3$ and $J_2 = 1.41 * 10^3$.



Figure 13. Decentralized optimal control sub-system 1 (flour 2).





Figure 15. Decentralized optimal control sub-system 2 (flour 2).



7. Conclusion

The overlapping decomposition method has been presented in this book chapter, and then the inclusion principle has been introduced to provide a mathematical framework for decentralized control. The inclusion of the cost function has also been discussed to incorporate the optimal control problem for large scale smart building systems where the concept of contractibility of controllers has been discussed. Optimal decentralized dynamic output feedback controllers design has been proposed for six-floor building systems with overlapping structure. Non-optimal overlapping centralized and decentralized controllers are designed for which we found that decentralized controllers give better results. Furthermore to improve these results we developed an optimization technique that allow us not just design optimal controller but also minimize the cost function of the whole system for decomposed decentralized ($J_1 = 2.47*10^3$, $J_2 = 1.41*10^3$) in comparing to centralized ($J_t = 7.31*10^3$) controller; where we it is clear that $J_1 + J_2 \prec J_t$. The obtained results have demonstrated the superiority of the proposed controller to design smart building system toward smart cities.

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