

QUADRATIC CONTROL FOR LINEAR TIME-VARYING SYSTEMS*

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Abstract. An infinite-dimensional linear time-varying system on the interval $(-\infty, \infty)$ is considered. We introduce three quadratic problems: the infinite horizon problem, and one-sided and two-sided average cost problems. A Riccati equation on $(-\infty, \infty)$ is considered first and sufficient conditions for the existence and uniqueness of a bounded solution are given. Then by dynamic programming the quadratic problems are solved. Similar problems in the stochastic case are considered.

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1. Introduction. Consider the usual quadratic control problem:

$$(1.1) \quad y' = A(t)y + B(t)u, \quad y(t_0) = y_0,$$

$$(1.2) \quad J(u) = \int_{t_0}^T [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt$$

where $A, B, M,$ and $N,$ are continuous matrices on $(-\infty, \infty)$ of appropriate dimensions and where $| \cdot |$ and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denote, respectively, the norm and the inner product of vectors. The Riccati equation associated with this problem is the following [28]:

$$(1.3) \quad Q' + A^*Q + QA + M^*M - QBN^{-1}B^*Q = 0,$$

$$(1.4) \quad Q(T) = 0.$$

There exists a unique solution to (1.3), (1.4) on $[t_0, T]$. Since t_0 is fixed but otherwise arbitrary, we can always find a solution on $(-\infty, T]$. Of course Q may not be bounded on $(-\infty, T]$. If we wish to solve the infinite horizon problem (1.1), (1.2) with $T = +\infty$, then it turns out that we need a bounded solution of (1.3) on $[t_0, \infty)$. Since t_0 can vary, we require a bounded solution on $(-\infty, \infty)$. If our system is defined only on a semi-infinite interval $[T_0, \infty)$ (thus, $t_0 \geq T_0$), then we need a bounded solution of (1.3) on $[T_0, \infty)$ (a semi-infinite interval in the *positive* direction). If all matrices are periodic with a common period θ and if (A, B) is stabilizable and (A, M) detectable, the existence of a θ -periodic solution to (1.3) is known [31], [34]. This result remains true also in infinite dimensions [12], [14]. But the existence problem for general bounded continuous matrices seems to be new.

In this paper we consider (1.3) in infinite dimensions. We assume that $A(t)$ generates an evolution operator in a Hilbert space and that other operators are bounded and continuous. We give a necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of a bounded solution to (1.3). We have uniqueness if (A, M) is detectable. If these two hypotheses are fulfilled, there exists a unique bounded solution Q_∞ . We show that the optimal control for (1.1), (1.2) with $T = \infty$ is given by the usual feedback control involving Q_∞ . We introduce two quadratic problems of different kind. If (1.1) is replaced by

$$(1.5) \quad y' = A(t)y + B(t)u + f(t),$$

$$(1.6) \quad y(t_0) = y_0,$$

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then a more natural cost functional is

$$(1.7) \quad J_1(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt.$$

With (1.5) we also associate

$$(1.8) \quad J_2(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt.$$

We will show that Q_∞ also characterizes optimal control of these problems. This is a generalization of the average cost criterion (usually for time-invariant systems) to time-varying systems.

In § 2 we give basic assumptions on our system (1.1), (1.2).

In § 3 we establish the existence of a bounded solution to the Riccati equation (1.3). We then characterize optimal control using Q_∞ . We will show that the optimal closed-loop system for (1.1) is exponentially asymptotically stable. In § 4 we consider the stochastic case and obtain similar results. We also consider the partially observable case and show that the separation principle holds [20], [40].

An important special class of time-varying systems is that of periodic systems. See [7], [8], [22], [35], and [37] for various examples of periodic systems and their optimization problems. We have studied [17] the quadratic problem (1.5)–(1.7) and its stochastic version for periodic systems. We may allow for almost periodic inputs such as in [16].

This paper is an extension of the last two papers. Hence if we assume θ -periodicity of our system, we recover earlier results in [16] and [17].

2. Preliminaries. Let Z be a Hilbert space ($\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ inner product, $\|\cdot\|$ norm). We will denote by $\mathcal{L}(Z)$ the Banach space of all linear bounded operators $S: Z \rightarrow Z$ endowed with the norm $\|S\| = \sup \{\|Sz\|: z \in Z, \|z\| \leq 1\}$. If $S \in \mathcal{L}(Z)$ then S^* will represent its adjoint operator. S is called nonnegative ($S \geq 0$) if S is self-adjoint and $\langle Sz, z \rangle \geq 0$, for all $z \in Z$. We set $\mathcal{L}^+(Z) = \{S \in \mathcal{L}(Z): S \geq 0\}$. If $L: D(L) \subset Z \rightarrow Z$ is a linear operator we denote by $\sigma(L)$ (respectively, $\rho(L)$) the spectrum (respectively, the resolvent set) of L and by $R(\lambda, L)$, $\lambda \in \rho(L)$ the resolvent operator of L .

For each interval J in \mathbb{R}^1 we denote by $C_S(J; \mathcal{L}(Z))$ the set of all mappings $S(t): J \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(Z)$ that are strongly continuous, that is, $S(t)z$ is continuous on J for any $z \in Z$. If J is closed and bounded, then due to the Uniform Boundedness Theorem, $C_S(J; \mathcal{L}(Z))$ is a Banach space with respect to the norm:

$$\|S\| = \sup \{\|S(t)\|; t \in J\}.$$

We set $C_S(J; \mathcal{L}^+(Z)) = \{S \in C_S(J; \mathcal{L}(Z)); S(t) \geq 0, t \in J\}$. If X is another Hilbert space, we denote by $\mathcal{L}(X, Z)$ the set of all bounded linear operators from X into Z and by $C_S(J; \mathcal{L}(X, Z))$ the set of all strongly continuous mappings from J into $\mathcal{L}(X, Z)$.

Let Y be a Hilbert space. We consider the initial value problem

$$(2.1) \quad y' = A(t)y + f(t), \quad y(s) = y_0, \quad t \geq s$$

where $y_0 \in Y$ and $f \in L^2_{loc}(0, \infty; Y)$, the set of locally square integrable functions. We assume the following on $A(t)$:

(H1) (i) For any $t \in \mathbb{R}^1$, $A(t)$ is a linear operator in Y with a constant domain D dense in Y . There exist numbers $\bar{M} > 0$, $\eta \in (\pi/2, \pi)$, $\delta \in \mathbb{R}^1$ such that

$$S_{\delta, \eta} = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}: |\arg(\lambda - \delta)| < \eta\} \subset \rho(A(t)) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}^1$$

and the resolvent operator satisfies

$$|R(\lambda, A(t))| \leq \bar{M}/|\lambda - \delta| \quad \forall \lambda \in S_{\delta, \eta}.$$

(ii) There exist numbers $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ and \bar{N} such that

$$|A(t)x - A(s)x| \leq \bar{N}|t - s|^\alpha |A(0)x| \quad \forall x \in D.$$

Remark 2.1. The hypothesis (H1) has been introduced by Tanabe [36] to study the abstract equation $y' = A(t)y$ where $A(t)$'s are infinitesimal generators of analytic semigroups with constant domains (parabolic equations). In fact, in the sequel we will only need the existence of an evolution operator $U(t, s)$ relative to $A(t)$. Thus our results can be easily arranged to cover hyperbolic equations as well as parabolic equations with nonconstant domains $D(A(t))$. If A is constant, (H1) is interpreted as A being the infinitesimal generator of a C_0 -semigroup. Then functional differential equations can be covered [10].

The following result is proved in [36].

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Assume (H1). Then there exists a family of operators $U(t, s) \in \mathcal{L}(Y)$, $t \geq s$ such that*

- (i) $U(s, s) = I, s \in \mathbb{R}^1$,
- (ii) $U(\cdot, \cdot)x$ is continuous for any $x \in Y$,
- (iii) For $t > s$, $U(t, s)(Y) \subset D$ and $U(t, s)$ is differentiable in t with

$$\frac{\partial U(t, s)}{\partial t} = A(t)U(t, s).$$

$U(t, s)$ is called the *evolution operator* relative to $A(t)$. It is called (*exponentially stable*) if there exist positive numbers \tilde{M}, ω such that $|U(t, s)| \leq \tilde{M}e^{-\omega(t-s)}$ for any $t \geq s$.

We denote by $A_n(t) = n^2R(n, A(t)) - nI$ the Yosida approximations of $A(t)$ and by $U_n(t, s)$ the evolution operator relative to $A_n(t)$ (that clearly exists since $A_n(t)$'s are bounded). By using the results in [36] it is easy to prove that

$$(2.2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_n(t, s)x = U(t, s)x \quad \forall t \geq s, \quad \forall x \in Y$$

uniformly on the bounded sets of \mathbb{R}^2 .

We define the *mild solution* of (2.1) by

$$(2.3) \quad y(t) = U(t, s)y_0 + \int_s^t U(t, r)f(r) dr.$$

It is continuous on $[s, \infty)$. Let y_n be the classical solution to the problem:

$$(2.4) \quad y'_n = A_n(t)y_n + f(t), \quad y_n(s) = y_0.$$

Then, by (2.2) $y_n(t) \rightarrow y(t)$ uniformly on any bounded subset of $[s, \infty)$.

Assume that $A(t)$ is stable. Then for each $f \in L^\infty([s, \infty); Y)$ (the set of bounded measurable functions in Y) $y(t)$ defined by (2.3) is bounded. We now consider for each $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^1; Y)$

$$(2.4') \quad y' = A(t)y + f(t)$$

on $[-\infty, \infty)$. We say that $y(t)$ is a *mild solution* on $(-\infty, \infty)$ if it satisfies the integral equation

$$(2.5) \quad y(t) = U(t, s)y(s) + \int_s^t U(t, r)f(r) dr$$

for any $t \geq s$. A mild solution $y(t)$ is called *bounded* if it is bounded on $(-\infty, \infty)$. If $A(t)$ is stable, then there exists a unique bounded mild solution of (2.4'). In fact it is given by

$$(2.6) \quad y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t U(t, r)f(r) dr.$$

If A, f are θ -periodic, then y is also θ -periodic. If A is θ -periodic and f is almost periodic, then y is almost periodic [16].

3. Optimal quadratic control in the deterministic case.

3.1. Bounded solutions of a Riccati equation. We consider the usual quadratic control problem.

$$(3.1) \quad y' = A(t)y + B(t)u, \quad y(t_0) = y_0,$$

$$(3.2) \quad J_0(u) = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt$$

where $A(t)$ satisfies the condition (H1) and

- (H2) (i) $B \in C_S(\mathbb{R}^1, \mathcal{L}(U, Y)) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^1, \mathcal{L}(U, Y))$, $M \in C_S(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}(Y))$, $N \in C_S(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}^+(U))$ and there exists an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $N(t) \geq \varepsilon$ for any $t \in \mathbb{R}^1$.
(ii) $\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} [|M(t)| + |N(t)|] < \infty$.

We wish to minimize $J(u)$ over the set of admissible controls

$$(3.3) \quad \mathcal{U}_{\text{ad}}^0 = \{u \in L^2([t_0, \infty); U): \text{the corresponding mild solution } y(t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty\}.$$

To solve this problem the following Riccati equation is useful:

$$(3.4) \quad Q'(t) + A^*(t)Q(t) + Q(t)A(t) + M^*(t)M(t) - Q(t)B(t)N^{-1}(t)B^*(t)Q(t) = 0.$$

We say that Q is a mild solution of (3.4) on the interval $J \subset \mathbb{R}^1$ if $Q \in C_S(J, \mathcal{L}^+(Y))$ and if it satisfies the integral equation

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} Q(t)x &= U^*(s, t)Q(s)U(s, t)x \\ &+ \int_t^s U^*(r, t)[M^*(r)M(r) - Q(r)B(r)N^{-1}(r)B^*(r)Q(r)]U(r, t)x dr \end{aligned}$$

for any $x \in Y$ and $t \leq s$, $t, s \in J$. If $\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}^1} |Q(t)| < \infty$, we say that Q is a *bounded solution* of (3.4). Even if Q is a solution of the integral equation (3.5) we cannot in general prove that $Q(t)x$ is differentiable for $x \in Y$. Thus Q is not a classical solution to (3.4). Therefore it is useful to introduce approximating systems

$$(3.6) \quad Q'_n + A_n^*Q_n + Q_nA_n + M^*M - Q_nBN^{-1}B^*Q_n = 0,$$

which have classical solutions. The following result is proved in [4].

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Assume (H1) and (H2). Let $T \in \mathbb{R}^1$ and $Q_0 \in \mathcal{L}^+(Y)$. Then there exists a unique mild solution Q of (3.4) on $(-\infty, T]$ such that $Q(T) = Q_0$. Moreover, there exists a unique classical solution $Q_n \in C_S((-\infty, T]; \mathcal{L}^+(Y))$ to (3.6) with $Q_n(T) = Q_0$ and $Q_n(t)x \rightarrow Q(t)x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for any $x \in Y$ uniformly on any bounded subset of $(-\infty, T]$.*

In the sequel we set $Q(t) = \Lambda(t; T, Q_0)$, $Q_n(t) = \Lambda_n(t; T, Q_0)$. The following monotonicity property of $\Lambda(\Lambda_n)$ is well known:

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \Lambda(t; T, Q_0) &\leq \Lambda(t; T, Q_1), \\ \Lambda_n(t, T, Q_0) &\leq \Lambda_n(t, T, Q_1) \quad \text{if } Q_0 \leq Q_1. \end{aligned}$$

Now we will establish a bounded solution to (3.4). Let $C_b(\mathbb{R}^1; Z)$ be the space of all bounded continuous functions from \mathbb{R}^1 to Z . The fundamental hypothesis for the existence of a bounded solution is the following:

(H3) For any $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $y_0 \in Y$ there exist $u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^1; U)$ and $C_0 > 0$ such that

$$\int_{t_0}^{\infty} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt \leq C_0 |y_0|^2$$

where y is the mild solution to (3.1).

Hypothesis (H3) is slightly weaker than the existence of an admissible control. It is satisfied, as we will see below, if (A, B) is stabilizable, that is, if there exists $K \in C_S(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}(Y, U))$ bounded such that the evolution operator relative to $A - BK$ is stable (such an evolution operator does exist since BK is bounded [10]).

Assume that (A, B) is stabilizable so that for some K

$$(3.8) \quad |U_K(t, s)| \leq M_0 e^{-\omega(t-s)}, \quad t \geq s \text{ for some } M_0 \geq 1 \text{ and } \omega > 0$$

where U_K is the evolution operator relative to $A - BK$. Now we will show that the hypothesis (H3) is fulfilled. Set

$$y(t) = U_K(t, t_0)y_0, \quad u(t) = -K(t)U_K(t, t_0)y_0.$$

Then

$$\int_{t_0}^{\infty} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt \leq \frac{M_0^2}{2\omega} (\|M\|^2 + \|N\| \|K\|^2)$$

where $\|\cdot\| = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}^1} |\cdot|$.

The main result for our Riccati equation is the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.1. Assume (H1) and (H2). Then a nonnegative bounded solution to (3.4) exists if and only if (H3) holds.

Proof. If. Assume (H3). For any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^1$ set $Q_\alpha = \Lambda(\cdot; \alpha, 0)$. By (3.7) we have

$$(3.9) \quad Q_\alpha(t) \leq Q_\beta(t) \text{ if } t \in (-\infty, \alpha] \text{ and } \alpha \leq \beta.$$

Thus $\{Q_\alpha\}$ is increasing in α . We will now show that $\|Q_\alpha(\cdot)\|$ is bounded. Let $Q_{\alpha,n} = \Lambda_n(\cdot; \alpha, 0)$ and let y_n be the classical solution to the initial value problem:

$$(3.10) \quad y'_n = A_n(t)y_n + B(t)u, \quad y_n(t_0) = y_0$$

where u is the control function given in (H3). We then have

$$(3.11) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \langle Q_{\alpha,n}(t)y_n(t), y_n(t) \rangle &= \|N^{1/2}(u + N^{-1}B^*Q_{\alpha,n}y_n)\|^2 - |M(t)y_n(t)|^2 \\ &\quad - \langle N(t)u(t), u(t) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating this from t_0 to α and letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we arrive at

$$(3.12) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{t_0}^{\alpha} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt \\ = \langle Q_{\alpha,n}(t_0)y_0, y_0 \rangle + \int_{t_0}^{\alpha} |N^{1/2}(u + N^{-1}B^*Q_{\alpha,n}y_n)|^2 dt, \end{aligned}$$

which yields

$$(3.13) \quad \langle Q_\alpha(t_0)y_0, y_0 \rangle \leq C_0 |y_0|^2 \text{ for any } y_0 \in Y.$$

By a classical argument we can show that there exists $Q_\infty(t)$ such that

$$(3.13') \quad \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} Q_\alpha(t_0)y_0 = Q_\infty(t_0)y_0 \quad \text{for any } t_0 \in \mathbb{R}^1 \text{ and } y_0 \in Y.$$

To prove that Q_∞ is a mild solution of (3.4) on $(-\infty, \infty)$ it suffices to let $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ in the equality:

$$(3.14) \quad \begin{aligned} Q_\alpha(t)x = & U^*(s, t)Q_\alpha(s)U(s, t) \\ & + \int_t^s U^*(r, t)[M^*(r)M(r) \\ & - Q_\alpha(r)BN^{-1}BQ_\alpha(r)]U(r, t) dr \end{aligned}$$

for $t \leq s < \alpha$.

Only if. Let Q be a bounded solution to (3.4). For a fixed but otherwise arbitrary $T \in \mathbb{R}^1$, let $Q_n = \Lambda_n(\cdot, T; Q(T))$. Set $K = BN^{-1}B^*$, $L = A - KQ$, $L_n = A_n - KQ_n$ and let U_L and U_{L_n} be evolution operators relative to L and L_n , respectively. Then

$$(3.15) \quad Q'_n + L_n^*Q_n + Q_nL_n + M^*M + Q_nKQ_n = 0, \quad Q_n(T) = Q(T).$$

Hence, for any $t_0 \leq t \leq T$, we have

$$(3.16) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \langle Q_n(t)U_{L_n}(t, t_0)y_0, U_{L_n}(t, t_0)y_0 \rangle \\ = -|M(t)U_{L_n}(t, t_0)y_0|^2 - |\sqrt{K(t)}Q_n(t)U_{L_n}(t, t_0)y_0|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating this from t_0 to t_1 and letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain

$$(3.17) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{t_2}^{t_1} [|M(t)U_L(t, t_0)y_0|^2 + |\sqrt{K(t)}Q(t)U_L(t, t_0)y_0|^2] dt \\ + \langle Q(t_1)U_L(t_1, t_0)y_0, U_L(t_1, t_0)y_0 \rangle = \langle Q(t_0)y_0, y_0 \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Now set

$$y(t) = U_L(t, t_0)y_0, \quad u(t) = -N^{-1}(t)B^*(t)Q(t)U_L(t, t_0)y_0.$$

Then $u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^1; U)$ and y is a mild solution of (3.1). Moreover,

$$\int_{t_0}^{t_1} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt \leq \sup_{t_0 \in \mathbb{R}} |Q(t_0)||y_0|^2, \quad t_0 \leq t_1 \leq T.$$

Since t_1 is arbitrary, we have shown (H3). \square

If (H1)-(H3) hold, we will denote by Q_∞ the bounded solution of (3.4) defined by (3.13). We remark that Q_∞ is minimal among all solutions $Q \geq 0$ of (3.4) on \mathbb{R}^1 , that is,

$$(3.18) \quad Q(t) \geq Q_\infty(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^1.$$

In fact if Q is a solution of (3.4) on \mathbb{R}^1 , we have

$$Q(\alpha) \geq Q_\alpha(\alpha) = 0$$

so that

$$Q(t) \geq Q_\alpha(t) \quad \text{for any } t \in (-\infty, \alpha].$$

Letting $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain (3.18). We will call Q_∞ the *minimal solution* of (3.4) on \mathbb{R}^1 .

Next we will examine the stability property of a bounded solution Q of (3.4). Set $L = A - KQ$, $K = BN^{-1}B^*$ and for a fixed $T \in \mathbb{R}^1$ let $Q_1(\cdot) = \Lambda(\cdot; T, S)$, where $S \in \mathcal{L}^+(Y)$. Then we can easily check that $Z = Q_1 - Q$ is a mild solution of the equation

$$(3.19) \quad Z' + L^*Z + ZL - ZKZ = 0, \quad Z(T) = S - Q(T).$$

If U_L is stable, the usual linearization arguments show that Q is uniformly asymptotically stable as $t \rightarrow -\infty$ [23]. But as we will see below we can show that Q is attractive from above, and hence it is maximal among all bounded nonnegative solutions of (3.4). This will imply, in particular, the uniqueness of a nonnegative bounded solution for which L is stable. We say that a bounded solution Q of (3.4) is *stable* if $A - KQ$ is stable.

PROPOSITION 3.2. *Assume (H1) and (H2) and let Q be a stable bounded nonnegative solution to (3.4). Let $T \in \mathbb{R}^1$, $S = \mathcal{L}^+(Y)$ be arbitrary and set $Q_1(\cdot) = \Lambda(\cdot; T, S)$. If $S \geq Q(T)$, then*

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} (Q_1(t)x - Q(t)x) = 0 \quad \text{for any } x \in Y.$$

$Q_1(\cdot)$ with arbitrary $S \geq 0$ is bounded on $(-\infty, T]$.

Moreover, if Q_2 is a bounded solution, then $Q_2(t) \leq Q(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof. Let $Z = Q_1 - Q$, $Q_n = \Lambda_n(\cdot; T, Q(T))$, $Q_{1n} = \Lambda_n(\cdot; T, S)$, and define $Z_n = Q_{1n} - Q_n$, $L_n = A_n - KQ_n$. Then

$$(3.20) \quad Z'_n + L_n^*Z_n + Z_nL_n - Z_nKZ_n = 0,$$

from which follows

$$(3.21) \quad \frac{d}{dt} \langle Z_n(t)U_{L_n}(t, t_0)y_0, U_{L_n}(t, t_0)y_0 \rangle = |\sqrt{K(t)}Z_n(t)U_{L_n}(t, t_0)y_0|^2.$$

Integrating from t_0 to t and letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain

$$(3.22) \quad \langle Z(t)U_L(t, t_0)y_0, U_L(t, t_0)y_0 \rangle \geq \langle Z(t_0)y_0, y_0 \rangle, \quad t_0 \leq t.$$

Now, if $S \geq Q(T)$ then $Z(t_0) \geq 0$ for any $t_0 \leq T$. Letting $t_0 \rightarrow -\infty$ in (3.22), we obtain $\langle Z(t_0)y_0, y_0 \rangle \rightarrow 0$ as $t_0 \rightarrow -\infty$. Hence $\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} Z(t)x = 0$ for any $x \in Y$. Assume now that Q_2 is another nonnegative bounded solution of (3.4). Then replacing Q_1 by Q_2 in (3.22) and letting $t \rightarrow \infty$ we find $\langle Z(t_0)y_0, y_0 \rangle \leq 0$ so that $Q_2(t) \leq Q(t)$. \square

Now we give a sufficient condition for a bounded nonnegative solution of (3.4) being stable:

(H4) There exists a $K_1 \in C_S(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}(Y))$ bounded such that $A - K_1M$ is stable.

If (H4) holds, we say that (A, M) is *detectable*.

PROPOSITION 3.3. *Assume (H1), (H2), and (H4). Then any bounded nonnegative solution of (3.4) is stable. Thus the Riccati equation (3.4) has at most one bounded nonnegative solution.*

Proof. Let $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ be fixed and let $y_0 \in Y$. Then by (3.17) we have

$$(3.23) \quad M(t)U_L(t, t_0)y_0, \quad \sqrt{K(t)}Q(t)U(t, t_0)y_0 \in L^2(t_0, \infty; Y).$$

Let $S = A - K_1M$; then $L = S + K_1M - KQ$ so that

$$(3.24) \quad U_L(t, t_0)y_0 = U_S(t, t_0)y_0 - \int_{t_0}^t U_S(t, r)(K_1M - KQ)U_L(r, t_0)y_0 dr.$$

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Since U_S is stable, it follows from (3.23), (3.24) that $U_L(t, t_0)y_0 \in L^2(t_0, \infty; Y)$. By Datko [19] U_L is stable.

The uniqueness follows from the fact that a stable solution is maximal. \square

In practice it may be more natural to assume that the system (3.1) is defined only on $[T_0, \infty)$ so that $T_0 \leq T_0 < \infty$. In this case we restrict the hypothesis (H1)–(H4) on $[T_0, \infty)$. We need to modify the definitions.

For example, we say that (A, B) is stabilizable if there exists $K \in C_S([T_0, \infty); L(Y, U))$ bounded such that $|U_{A-BK}(t, s)| \leq M_0 e^{-\omega(t-s)}$, $t \geq s \geq T_0$ for some $M_0 \geq 1$ and $\omega > 0$. Now all the results restricted on $[T_0, \infty)$ are true. In fact, we have the following corollaries.

COROLLARY 3.1. *Assume (H1) and (H2) on $[T_0, \infty)$. Then a nonnegative bounded solution of (3.4) on $[T_0, \infty)$ exists if and only if (H3) holds on $[T_0, \infty)$.*

COROLLARY 3.2. *Assume (H1) and (H2) on $[T_0, \infty)$. Let Q be a stable nonnegative bounded solution of (3.4) on $[T_0, \infty)$. Then for any bounded solution $Q_2 \geq 0$ of (3.4), $Q_2(t) \leq Q(t)$, $t \in [T_0, \infty)$, that is Q is maximal.*

COROLLARY 3.3. *Assume (H1), (H2), and (H4) on $[T_0, \infty)$. Then any nonnegative bounded solution of (3.4) is stable. Thus the Riccati equation (3.4) has at most one nonnegative bounded solution on $[T_0, \infty)$.*

Finally, we consider two special cases of (3.4): the periodic case and the time invariant case.

In the former we assume (H5).

(H5) There exists a number $\theta > 0$ such that $A(t + \theta) = A(t)$, $B(t + \theta) = B(t)$, $M(t + \theta) = M(t)$, and $N(t + \theta) = N(t)$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}^1$.

In this case we say that these operators are θ -periodic. We say also that the system (3.1) is θ -periodic. If Q is a bounded solution to (3.4), then $Q_\theta(t)$ defined by

$$Q_\theta(t) = Q(t - \theta), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^1$$

is also a bounded solution. Thus if (3.4) has a unique nonnegative bounded solution Q (for example, if (A, M) is detectable) we have $Q(t) = Q(t - \theta)$. In fact, we have Proposition 3.4.

PROPOSITION 3.4. *Assume (H1), (H3), and (H5). Then the minimal solution Q_∞ of (3.4) is θ -periodic. If, further, (H4) holds, then Q_∞ is the unique nonnegative θ -periodic solution to (3.4) and it is uniformly asymptotically stable.*

Proof. Let n be an integer and set

$$(3.25) \quad V(t) = Q_{n\theta}(t - \theta), \quad t \in (-\infty, (n+1)\theta]$$

where $Q_{n\theta} = \Lambda(\cdot; n\theta, 0)$. Since the coefficients of (3.4) are θ -periodic, V is also a solution of (3.4) on $(-\infty, (n+1)\theta]$. Moreover, $V((n+1)\theta) = Q_{n\theta}(n\theta) = 0$ so that

$$(3.26) \quad V(t) = Q_{(n+1)\theta}(t) = Q_{n\theta}(t - \theta).$$

Now, letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain $Q_\infty(t) = Q_\infty(t - \theta)$. Thus Q_∞ is θ -periodic. Other assertions follow from Proposition 3.2. \square

Next we show the global orbital attractiveness of Q_∞ .

PROPOSITION 3.5. *Assume (H1)–(H5). Let $S_0 \in \mathcal{L}^+(Y)$ and set $Q = \Lambda(\cdot; 0, S_0)$. Then*

$$(3.27) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Q(t - n\theta)x = Q_\infty(t)x \quad \forall t \in (-\infty, 0].$$

Proof. Let m be an integer such that

$$S_0 \leq mI \quad \text{and} \quad Q_\infty(0) \leq mI.$$

Let $V(\cdot) = \Lambda(\cdot; 0, mI)$. Then

$$Q(t) \geq Q_0(t) \quad \forall t \geq 0,$$

$$Q(t - n\theta) \geq Q_0(t - n\theta) = Q_{n\theta}(t) \quad \forall t \geq n\theta.$$

This implies

$$Q_{n\theta}(t) \leq Q(t - n\theta) \leq V(t - n\theta).$$

But $Q_{n\theta}(t)x \rightarrow Q_\infty(t)x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and $V(t - n\theta)x \rightarrow Q_\infty(t)x$ by Proposition 3.2. Thus (3.27) follows. \square

Remark 3.1. In Da Prato [12] the existence of a periodic solution to (3.4) is shown under (H1), (H2), (H5), and stabilizability of (A, B) . Hence, Proposition 3.4 gives a weaker condition. Proposition 3.5 is also an improvement of Lemma 3.1 [17]. See [31] and [34] for finite-dimensional results.

Now consider the time-invariant case: $A, B, M,$ and N are independent of t . Then (H1) can be replaced by the hypothesis that A is the infinitesimal generator of a C_0 -semigroup e^{tA} . Hypothesis (H2) simply implies $B \in \mathcal{L}(U, Y), M \in \mathcal{L}(Y),$ and $N, N^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}^+(U)$. Hypothesis (H4) is the usual detectability condition [39], [41]. Hence we recover the results of Zabczyk [41].

PROPOSITION 3.6. *Suppose that A is the infinitesimal generator of a C_0 -semigroup e^{tA} and that $B \in \mathcal{L}(U, Y), M \in \mathcal{L}(Y),$ and $N, N^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}^+(U)$. Suppose (H3) holds. Then $Q_\infty(t) = Q_\infty$ is independent of t and is the minimal solution of the algebraic Riccati equation*

$$(3.28) \quad A^*Q + QA + M^*M - QBN^{-1}B^*Q = 0.$$

If, further, (A, M) is detectable, then Q_∞ is the unique nonnegative solution to (3.20) in $\mathcal{L}^+(Y)$. Moreover, for each $Q = \Lambda(\cdot, \cdot, S_0)$ with $S_0 \in \mathcal{L}^+(Y)$

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow -\infty} Q(t)x = Q_\infty x \quad \forall x \in Y.$$

3.2. Quadratic control on the infinite horizon. Let $-\infty \leq T_0 < \infty$ and let $t_0 \in [T_0, \infty)$ be arbitrary. If $T_0 = -\infty$, we mean by $[T_0, \infty)$, the whole real line $(-\infty, \infty)$. Now consider our control problem

$$(3.1) \quad y' = A(t)y + B(t)u, \quad y(t_0) = y_0,$$

$$(3.2) \quad J_0(u) = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt.$$

We assume (H1)–(H4) on $[T_0, \infty)$ and wish to minimize $J_0(u)$ over

$$(3.3) \quad \mathcal{U}_{ad}^0 = \{u \in L^2(t_0, \infty; U): \text{the corresponding mild solution } y(t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty\}.$$

In view of (H3), (H4), this problem is nontrivial. Let Q_∞ be the unique stable nonnegative bounded solution of (3.4) on $[T_0, \infty)$. The main tool we will use is the following identity.

LEMMA 3.1. *Assume (H1)–(H3) on $[T_0, \infty)$. Let $u \in L^2([t_1, t_2]; U), t_0 \leq t_1 < t_2$ and let y be the mild solution of (3.1) on $[t_1, t_2]$. Then*

$$(3.29) \quad \int_{t_1}^{t_2} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt + \langle Q_\infty(t_2)y(t_2), y(t_2) \rangle$$

$$= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |N^{1/2}(u + N^{-1}B^*Q_\infty y)|^2 dt + \langle Q_\infty(t_1)y(t_1), y(t_1) \rangle.$$

Proof. Let $Q_n = \Lambda_n(\cdot; t_2, Q_\infty(t_2))$ and let y_n be the solution of the initial value problem

$$y'_n = A_n(t)y_n + B(t)u, \quad y_n(t_1) = y(t_1).$$

Then we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle Q_n(t)y_n(t), y_n(t) \rangle = |N^{1/2}(u + N^{-1}B^*Q_n y_n)|^2 - |M(t)y_n|^2 - \langle N(t)u, u \rangle.$$

Integrating this from t_1 and t_2 and passing to the limit $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain (3.29).

Now it is easy to solve our control problem.

THEOREM 3.2. *Assume (H1)–(H4) on $[T_0, \infty)$. Then the optimal control is given by the feedback law*

$$(3.30) \quad \bar{u} = -N^{-1}B^*Q_\infty \bar{y}$$

and the optimal cost by

$$(3.31) \quad J_0(\bar{u}) = \langle Q_\infty(t_0)y_0, y_0 \rangle.$$

The optimal closed loop system is stable. If, further, (H5) holds, then Q_∞ is θ -periodic. If all operators in (3.1), (3.2) are time invariant, then Q_∞ is constant.

Proof. We set $t_1 = t_0$ and pass to the limit $t_2 \rightarrow \infty$. Since $y(t_2) \rightarrow 0$ as $t_2 \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain

$$J_0(u) = \int_{t_0}^\infty |N^{1/2}(u + N^{-1}B^*Q_\infty y)|^2 dt + \langle Q_\infty(t_0)y_0, y_0 \rangle.$$

Thus the conclusion follows immediately. \square

3.3. The optimal control problem with average cost. Assume (H1), (H2) on $[T_0, \infty)$. Here we are concerned with a more general system

$$(3.32) \quad y' = A(t)y + B(t)u + f(t), \quad y(t_0) = y_0$$

where $t_0 \in [T_0, \infty)$ is fixed but otherwise arbitrary and $f \in C_b([T_0, \infty), Y)$. In this case we cannot expect that the cost $J_0(u)$ is finite. Instead we take a more reasonable cost

$$(3.33) \quad J_1(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt$$

and we wish to minimize it over

$$(3.34) \quad \mathcal{U}'_{\text{ad}} = \left\{ u: \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} |u(t)|^2 dt < \infty \text{ and the mild solution } y(t) \text{ of (3.32) is bounded on } [t_0, \infty) \right\}.$$

We further assume (H3) and let Q_∞ be the minimal bounded solution of (3.4) on $[T_0, \infty)$.

Let $L = A - KQ_\infty$, $K = BN^{-1}B^*$ and consider the following equation:

$$(3.35) \quad r' + L^*r + Q_\infty f = 0.$$

Then we have a similar result to Lemma 3.1.

LEMMA 3.2. Assume (H1)–(H3) on $[T_0, \infty)$. Let $u \in L^2([t_1, t_2]; U)$, $t_0 \leq t_1 < t_2$, and let y and r be mild solutions of (3.32), (3.35) on $[t_1, t_2]$, respectively. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{t_1}^{t_2} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt + \langle Q_\infty(t_2)y(t_2), y(t_2) \rangle + 2\langle r(t_2), y(t_2) \rangle \\
 (3.36) \quad &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |N^{1/2}[u + N^{-1}B^*(Q_\infty y + r)]|^2 dt \\
 &+ \int_{t_1}^{t_2} [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2] dt \\
 &+ \langle Q_\infty(t_1)y(t_1), y(t_1) \rangle + 2\langle r(t_1), y(t_1) \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We take

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_n(\cdot) &= \Lambda_n(\cdot; t_2, Q_\infty(t_2)), \\
 y'_n &= A_n y_n + Bu + f, \quad y_n(t_1) = y(t_1), \\
 r'_n + (A_n - KQ_n)^* r_n + Q_n f &= 0, \quad r_n(t_2) = r(t_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

and show

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dt} [\langle Q_n y_n, y_n \rangle + 2\langle r_n, y_n \rangle] &= |N^{1/2}[u + N^{-1}B^*(q_n y_n + r_n)]|^2 \\
 &\quad - |My_n|^2 - \langle Nu, u \rangle + 2\langle r_n, f_n \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r_n|^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Integrating this from t_1 to t_2 and passing to the limit $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain (3.36).

If we further assume (H4) on $[T_0, \infty)$, then \mathcal{U}'_{ad} is not empty. To see this, note that there exists a unique bounded solution to (3.35) given by

$$(3.37) \quad r(t) = \int_t^\infty U_L^*(s, t) Q_\infty(s) f(s) ds,$$

since L is stable. Now consider the feedback control

$$(3.38) \quad \bar{u} = -N^{-1}B^*(Q_\infty \bar{y} + r).$$

Then the closed-loop system is

$$(3.39) \quad \bar{y}' = L\bar{y} + f - K\bar{r}, \quad \bar{y}(t_0) = y_0.$$

Since L is stable, the mild solution

$$(3.40) \quad \bar{y}(t) = U_L(t, t_0)y_0 + \int_{t_0}^t U_L(t, s)[f(s) - K(s)r(s)] ds$$

is bounded on $[t_0, \infty)$. Hence u is admissible.

THEOREM 3.3. Assume (H1)–(H4) on $[T_0, \infty)$. Then the optimal control is given by the feedback law (3.38) and the optimal cost by

$$(3.41) \quad J_1(\bar{u}) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*N|^2] dt.$$

Proof. We take any $u \in \mathcal{U}'_{ad}$ and its response y in (3.36). Then, setting $t_1 = t_0$, $t_2 = t_0 + T$ and taking limit supremum as $T \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain

$$(3.42) \quad J_1(\bar{u}) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} \{ |N^{1/2}[u + N^{-1}B^*(Qy + r)]|^2 + 2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2 \} dt.$$

Now the assertion follows easily. \square

If we assume (H5), then we recover the periodic result in [16].

COROLLARY 3.4. *Assume (H1)–(H4) on $[T_0, \infty)$.*

(i) *If (H5) holds on $[T_0, \infty)$ and if f is θ -periodic, then Q_∞ and r are θ -periodic and*

$$(3.43) \quad J_1(\bar{u}) = \frac{1}{\theta} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+\theta} [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2} B^* r|^2] dt \quad \text{for any } t_0 \leq T_0.$$

(ii) *If all operators in (3.32), (3.33), and f are constant, then Q_∞ is the unique solution of the algebraic Riccati equation (3.28) and*

$$(3.44) \quad J_1(\bar{u}) = 2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2} B^* r|^2$$

where $r = -(L^*)^{-1} Q_\infty f$.

3.4. The optimal control problem with average cost II. Here we assume (H1) and (H2). Our system is

$$(3.45) \quad y' = A(t)y + B(t)u + f(t)$$

where $f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^1; Y)$. We wish to minimize the average cost

$$(3.46) \quad J_2(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt,$$

over

$$(3.47) \quad \mathcal{U}_{\text{ad}}^2 = \left\{ u: \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |u(t)|^2 dt < \infty \right. \\ \left. \text{such that there exists a bounded solution to (3.45)} \right\}.$$

If (H3) holds, then Lemma 3.2 is valid. If, further, (H4) holds, then L is stable and there exists a unique bounded solution to (3.35). Thus as in Theorem 3.3 we have Theorem 3.4.

THEOREM 3.4. *Assume (H1)–(H4). Then optimal control is given by the feedback law*

$$(3.48) \quad \bar{u} = -N^{-1} B^* (Q_\infty \bar{y} + r)$$

where Q_∞ is the unique bounded nonnegative stable solution to (3.4) and r is the unique bounded solution on \mathbb{R}^1 of the equation

$$(3.49) \quad r' + L^* r + Q_\infty f = 0$$

given by

$$(3.50) \quad r(t) = \int_t^\infty U_L^*(s, t) Q_\infty(s) f(s) ds, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^1.$$

The optimal cost is given by

$$(3.51) \quad J_2(\bar{u}) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2} B^* r|^2] dt.$$

The optimal response \bar{y} is

$$(3.52) \quad \bar{y}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t U_L(t, s) [f(s) - K(s)r(s)] ds$$

and y is exponentially asymptotically stable (i.e., $y(t; t_0, y_0) - y(t) \rightarrow 0$, as $t \rightarrow \infty$ where $y(t; t_0, y_0)$ is the solution of (3.39)).

COROLLARY 3.5. Assume (H1)–(H4).

(i) If (H5) also holds and if f is θ -periodic, then Q_∞ and r are θ -periodic and

$$(3.53) \quad J_2(\bar{u}) = \frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^\theta [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2} B^* r|^2] dt = J_1(\bar{u}).$$

(ii) If all operators and f are constant, then Q_∞ , r are constant and given as in Corollary 3.4. Moreover,

$$(3.54) \quad J_2(\bar{u}) = 2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2} B^* r|^2 = J_1(\bar{u}).$$

Finally, we will consider another special case of Theorem 3.4. Let $AP(\mathbb{R}^1; Z)$ be the Banach space of almost periodic functions in Z [1], [16], [21]. We assume $f \in AP(\mathbb{R}^1; Y)$. We assume (H1)–(H5) so that Q_∞ is the unique nonnegative θ -periodic solution of (3.4). Then L is stable and $r(t)$, given by (3.50), is the unique almost periodic solution of (3.45). Moreover \bar{y} , given in (3.52), is also the unique almost periodic solution of the closed system

$$(3.55) \quad \bar{y}' = L\bar{y} + f - Kr.$$

Hence the following problem is meaningful [16]. Minimize

$$(3.56) \quad J_{ap}(u) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt$$

over the set of admissible controls

$$(3.57) \quad \mathcal{U}_{ap} = \{u \in AP(\mathbb{R}^1, U): \text{there exists } y \in AP(\mathbb{R}^1; Y) \text{ which is a mild solution of (3.45)}\}.$$

Now we find the optimal almost periodic control given in [16].

COROLLARY 3.6. Assume (H1)–(H5) and let $f \in AP(\mathbb{R}^1; Y)$. Then the optimal control is given by the feedback law

$$(3.58) \quad \bar{u} = -N^{-1} B^* (Q_\infty \bar{y} + r)$$

where Q_∞ is the nonnegative θ -periodic solution to (3.4) and r is the unique almost periodic solution to

$$(3.59) \quad r' + L^* r + Q_\infty f = 0$$

given by

$$(3.60) \quad r(t) = \int_t^\infty U_L^*(s, t) Q_\infty(s) f(s) ds.$$

The optimal cost is given by

$$(3.61) \quad J_{ap}(\bar{u}) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2} B^* r|^2] dt$$

and the optimal response by

$$(3.62) \quad \bar{y}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t U_L(t, s) [f(s) - K(s)r(s)] ds.$$

Remark 3.2. The conclusion of Corollary 3.6 is still valid even if we replace (H4) by a weaker condition:

(H4') There exist numbers $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \in (0, 1)$ such that $\sigma(U_L(t+\theta, t)) \subset \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}: |\lambda| \leq 1 - \varepsilon_1\} \cup \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}: |\lambda| \geq 1 + \varepsilon_2\}$, for all $t \in \mathbb{R}^1$.

Note that the θ -periodic solution Q_∞ still exists and U_L is well defined. If (H4') holds, we set

$$(3.63) \quad \Pi_-(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_1} R(\lambda, U_L(t+\theta, t)) d\lambda, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^1,$$

$$(3.64) \quad \Pi_+(t) = I - \Pi_-(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^1$$

where C_1 is the unit circle in the complex plane. Then (3.55) and (3.59) have unique almost periodic solutions given by

$$(3.65) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{y}(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^t U_L(t, s) \Pi_-(s) [f(s) - K(s)r(s)] ds \\ &\quad - \int_t^{\infty} U_L(t, s) \Pi_+(s) [f(s) - K(s)r(s)] ds, \\ r(t) &= \int_t^{\infty} U_L^*(t, s) \Pi_+^*(s) Q_\infty(s) f(s) ds \\ &\quad - \int_{-\infty}^t U_L^*(t, s) \Pi_-^*(s) Q_\infty(s) f(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

This can be proved by using estimates

$$(3.67) \quad |U_L(t, s) \Pi_-(s)| \leq M_- e^{-\omega_-(t-s)}, \quad t \geq s \quad \text{for some } M_- > 0 \text{ and } \omega_- > 0,$$

$$(3.68) \quad |U_L(t, s) \Pi_+(s)| \leq M_+ e^{\omega_+(t-s)}, \quad t \leq s \quad \text{for some } M_+ > 0 \text{ and } \omega_+ > 0.$$

For a proof of (3.67) and (3.68) see [23] when $A(t)$ has a special form $A(t) = A + \bar{L}(t)$ with $\bar{L}(t)$ dominated by A , and see [29] in the general case.

4. Optimal quadratic control in the stochastic case.

4.1. Quadratic control under complete observation. We can “stochasticize” all results in § 3. Let $(\Omega, F, F_t, -\infty < t < \infty, P)$ be a stochastic basis and let (W_i) , $i = 1, 2, \dots, N_0$ and W be independent Wiener processes in \mathbb{R}^1 and H (Hilbert), respectively, with $\text{Cov}[W(t)] = tW$, $W \in \mathcal{L}^+(H)$ nuclear. We replace (3.1), (3.2), (3.32), (3.33), (3.45), and (3.46), respectively, by

$$(4.1) \quad dy = [A(t)y + B(t)u] dt + G_i(t)y dW_i, \quad y(t_0) = y_0,$$

$$(4.2) \quad J_0(u) = E \int_{t_0}^{\infty} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt,$$

$$(4.3) \quad dy = [A(t)y + B(t)u + f(t)] dt + G_i(t)y dW_i, \quad y(t_0) = y_0,$$

$$(4.4) \quad J_1(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} E \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt,$$

$$(4.5) \quad dy = [A(t)y + B(t)u + f(t)] dt + G_i(t)y dW_i + G(t) dW,$$

$$(4.6) \quad J_2(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} E \int_{-T}^T [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt$$

where in (4.1), (4.3), and (4.5) $G_i(t)y dW_i$ means the sum over $i = 1$ to N_0 . The sets of admissible controls are given by

$$(4.7) \quad \mathcal{U}_{ad}^0 = \{u \in M^2([t_0, \infty) \times \Omega; U) : \text{its response} \\ \text{has the property } E|y(t)|^2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty\},$$

$$(4.8) \quad \mathcal{U}_{ad}^1 = \left\{ u \in M_{loc}^2([t_0, \infty) \times \Omega; U) : \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} |u(t)|^2 dt < \infty, E|y(t)|^2 \text{ bounded} \right\},$$

$$(4.9) \quad \mathcal{U}_{ad}^2 = \left\{ u \in M_{loc}^2((-\infty, \infty) \times \Omega; U) : \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |u(t)|^2 dt < \infty, \right. \\ \left. \text{there exists } y(t) \text{ with } E|y(t)|^2 \text{ bounded} \right\}$$

where $M^2([t_1, t_2] \times \Omega; U)$ is the subspace of $L^2_w([t_1, t_2] \times \Omega; U)$, which consists of F_t -adapted processes and M_{loc}^2 means M^2 for any finite intervals. We remark that it is possible to take an infinite-dimensional \tilde{W} in place of (W_i) as in [25].

The Riccati equations (3.4) and (3.28) are replaced by

$$(4.10) \quad Q'(t) + A^*(t)Q(t) + Q(t)A(t) + G_i(t)Q(t)G_i^*(t) \\ + M^*(t)M(t) - Q(t)B(t)N^{-1}(t)B^*(t)Q(t) = 0,$$

$$(4.11) \quad A^*Q + QA + G_iQG_i^* + M^*M - QBN^{-1}B^*Q = 0.$$

We keep the hypothesis (H1) as it is and replace (H2), (H3), respectively, by

- (S2) (H2) together with
 (i) $G_i \in C_S(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}(Y))$, $G \in C_S(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}(H, Y))$; and
 (ii) $\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}^1} [|G_i(t)| + |G(t)|] < \infty$.

- (S3) For each $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}^1$ and $y_0 \in L^2(\Omega, F_{t_0}, P)$, there exist $u \in M^2([t_0, \infty) \times \Omega; U)$ and C_0 such that

$$E \int_{t_0}^{\infty} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt \leq C_0 E|y_0|^2$$

where y is the mild solution of (4.1).

To replace (H4) by a new one we need to recall some definitions. Consider the homogeneous system

$$(4.12) \quad dy = A(t)y dt + G_i(t)y dW_i, \quad y(t_0) = y_0.$$

Since (4.12) is linear, we can easily establish a unique mild solution in $C([t_0, T]; L_2(\Omega; Y))$ that is adapted to F_t : namely, the solution of

$$(4.13) \quad y(t) = U(t, t_0)y_0 + \int_{t_0}^t U(t, s)G_i(s)y(s) dW_i(s).$$

We say that $(A; G_i)$ is (exponentially) stable if the mild solution of (4.12) satisfies

$$E|y(t)|^2 \leq M_1 e^{-\omega(t-t_0)} E|y_0|^2 \quad \forall y_0 \in L^2(\Omega, F_{t_0}, P), \quad t \geq t_0$$

for some $M_1 \geq 1$ and $\omega > 0$. Let $V(t, s) : L^2(\Omega, F_s, P) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega, F_t, P)$ be the stochastic fundamental solution [2], [14], [27] so that $y(t) = V(t, t_0)y_0$. Then (A, G_i) is stable if and only if

$$E|V(t, t_0)y_0|^2 \leq M_1 e^{-\omega(t-t_0)} E|y_0|^2, \quad y_0 \in L^2(\Omega, F_{t_0}, P).$$

We say that $(A, B; G_i)$ is *stabilizable* if there exists a $K \in C_s(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}(Y, U))$ bounded such that $(A - BK; G_i)$ is stable. Hypothesis (S3) is fulfilled if $(A, B; G_i)$ is stabilizable. Let $D \in C_s(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}(Y))$ be bounded. We say that $(A, D; G_i)$ is *detectable* if there exists a $K_1 \in C_s(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}(Y))$ bounded such that $(A - K_1 D; G_i)$ is stable.

Now we replace (H4) and (H5), respectively, by

$$(S4) \quad (A, M; G_i) \text{ is detectable,}$$

and

$$(S5) \quad (H5) \text{ and } G_i(t + \theta) = G_i(t), \quad G(t + \theta) = G(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^1.$$

Now we can stochasticize almost all results in § 3 under our new hypotheses, but below we will give only main results.

THEOREM 4.1. (i) *Assume (H1) and (S2). Then a nonnegative bounded solution to (4.10) exists if and only if (S3) holds.*

(ii) *Assume (H1), (S2), and (S4). Then any bounded nonnegative solution of (4.10) is stable, i.e., $(A - BN^{-1}B^*Q; G_i)$ is stable. Hence the Riccati equation (4.10) has at most one bounded nonnegative solution in $\mathcal{L}^+(Y)$.*

PROPOSITION 4.1. (i) *Assume (H1), (S2), (S3), and (S5). Then the minimal solution Q_∞ of (4.10) is θ -periodic. If, further, (S4) holds, then Q_∞ is the unique θ -periodic solution to (4.10).*

(ii) *Suppose all operators are constant. Then Q_∞ is constant and is the minimal solution of the Riccati equation (4.11). If $(A, M; G_i)$ is detectable [15], then Q_∞ is the unique solution of (4.11) in $\mathcal{L}^+(Y)$ and $(A - BN^{-1}B^*Q_\infty; G_i)$ is stable.*

Remark 4.1. Results similar to Propositions 3.1, 3.2, 3.5 and Corollaries 3.1–3.3 are also valid.

Now we need a result similar to Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2.

LEMMA 4.1. *Assume (H1), (S2), and (S3). Let Q_∞ be the minimal nonnegative solution of (4.10). Let $u \in M^2([t_1, t_2] \times \Omega; U)$ and let y, r be any mild solutions of (4.5) and*

$$(4.14) \quad r' + L^*r + Q_\infty f = 0, \quad L^* = A - BN^{-1}B^*Q_\infty,$$

respectively, on $[t_1, t_2]$. Then

$$(4.15) \quad \begin{aligned} & E \int_{t_1}^{t_2} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt + E \langle Q_\infty(t_2)y(t_2), y(t_2) \rangle + 2E \langle r(t_2), y(t_2) \rangle \\ &= E \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |N^{1/2}[u + N^{-1}B^*(Q_\infty y + r)]|^2 dt \\ &+ \int_{t_1}^{t_2} [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2 + \text{tr } GWG^*Q_\infty] dt \\ &+ E \langle Q_\infty(t_1)y(t_1), y(t_1) \rangle + 2E \langle r(t_1), y(t_1) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We apply Itô's formula to $\langle Q_n(t)y_n(t), y_n(t) \rangle + 2\langle r_n(t), y_n(t) \rangle$, where Q_n, y_n, r_n are approximations to Q_∞, y, r given by (4.10), (4.5), and (4.14). Then we rearrange terms, take expectations, and finally pass to the limit $n \rightarrow \infty$. \square

Now we can solve our three problems immediately.

THEOREM 4.2. *Assume (H1), (S2)–(S4) and consider the control problems (4.1), (4.2), (4.7). The optimal control is given by the feedback law*

$$(4.16) \quad \bar{u} = -N^{-1}B^*Q_\infty y$$

where Q_∞ is the unique bounded nonnegative solution of (4.10) and the optimal cost is

$$(4.17) \quad J_0(\bar{u}) = E\langle Q_\infty(t_0)y_0, y_0 \rangle.$$

The optimal closed-loop system is stable.

If (S5) holds, then Q_∞ is θ -periodic. If all operators in (4.1), (4.2) are constant, then Q_∞ is constant.

Proof. We set $f = r = 0$, $t_1 = t_0$, $t_2 = \infty$, and $G = 0$ in (4.15). \square

THEOREM 4.3. Assume (H1), (S2)–(S4) and consider the control problems (4.3), (4.4), (4.8). The optimal control is given by the feedback law

$$(4.18) \quad \bar{u} = -N^{-1}B^*(Q_\infty\bar{y} + r)$$

where Q_∞ is the unique bounded nonnegative solution of (4.10) and r is the unique bounded solution of

$$(4.19) \quad r' + L^*r + Q_\infty f = 0, \quad L = A - BN^{-1}BQ_\infty,$$

given by

$$(4.20) \quad r(t) = \int_t^\infty U_L^*(s, t)Q_\infty(s)f(s) ds, \quad t \geq t_0.$$

The optimal cost is

$$(4.21) \quad J_1(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2 + \text{tr } GWG^*Q_\infty] dt.$$

If, further, (S5) holds, and f is θ -periodic, then Q_∞ , r are θ -periodic and

$$(4.22) \quad J_1(\bar{u}) = \frac{1}{\theta} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+\theta} [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{1/2}B^*r|^2 + \text{tr } GWG^*Q] dt.$$

THEOREM 4.4. Assume (H1), (S2)–(S4) and consider the control problem (4.5), (4.6), (4.9). Then the optimal control is given by

$$(4.23) \quad \bar{u} = -N^{-1}B^*(Q_\infty\bar{y} + r)$$

where Q_∞ is the unique bounded nonnegative solution of (4.10) on \mathbb{R}^1 and r is the unique bounded solution on \mathbb{R}^1 of

$$(4.24) \quad r' + L^*r + Q_\infty f = 0, \quad L = A - BN^{-1}B^*Q$$

given by

$$(4.25) \quad r(t) = \int_t^\infty U_L^*(s, t)Q_\infty(s)f(s) ds, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^1.$$

The optimal cost is given by

$$(4.26) \quad J_2(\bar{u}) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2 + \text{tr } GWG^*Q_\infty] dt$$

and the optimal closed-loop system by

$$(4.27) \quad d\bar{y} = [(A - BN^{-1}B^*Q_\infty)\bar{y} + f - BN^{-1}B^*r] dt + G_i\bar{y} dw_i + G dw.$$

It has a unique bounded solution

$$(4.28) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{y}(t) = & \int_{-\infty}^t V_Q(t, s)[f(s) - B(s)N^{-1}(s)B^*(s)r(s)] ds \\ & + \int_{-\infty}^t V_Q(t, s)G(s) dw(s) \end{aligned}$$

where $V_Q(t, s)$ is the stochastic fundamental solution associated with the homogeneous part of (4.27). $\bar{y}(t)$ is exponentially asymptotically stable, i.e., any solution $y(t)$ of (4.27) with $y(0) = y_0$ satisfies: $y(t) - \bar{y}(t) \rightarrow 0$ exponentially in mean square as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

If, further, (S5) holds, and f is θ -periodic, then Q_∞, r are θ -periodic and

$$(4.29) \quad J_2(\bar{u}) = \frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^\theta [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2} B^* r|^2 + \text{tr } G W G^* Q_\infty] dt$$

and $\bar{y}(t)$, given by (4.28), is the unique θ -periodic solution of (4.27).

Finally, we consider almost periodic controls. We say that a stochastic process $z(t)$ is (weakly) almost periodic in Z if $Ez(t)$ and $\text{cov}[z(t)]k, k \in Z$ are almost periodic. We assume that all operators except G are θ -periodic and that $G(t)h, h \in H, f$ are almost periodic. We wish to minimize

$$(4.30) \quad J_{\text{ap}}(u) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} E \int_{-T}^T [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt$$

subject to (4.5) over

$$(4.31) \quad \mathcal{U}_{\text{ap}} = \{u: \text{adapted to } F_t, \text{ almost periodic such that there exists a mild solution } y \text{ of (4.5) almost periodic}\}.$$

THEOREM 4.5. Assume (H1), (S2)-(S4), and (S5) except G . Assume that $G(t)h$, for all $h \in H$ and f are almost periodic. Consider the control problem (4.5), (4.30), (4.31). Then the optimal control is given by the feedback law

$$(4.32) \quad \bar{u} = -N^{-1} B^* (Q_\infty \bar{y} + r)$$

where Q_∞ is the unique stable θ -periodic solution of (4.10) and r is the unique almost periodic solution of

$$(4.33) \quad r' + L^* r + Q_\infty f = 0$$

given by

$$(4.34) \quad r(t) = \int_t^\infty U_\Sigma^*(s, t) Q_\infty(s) f(s) ds.$$

The optimal cost is

$$(4.35) \quad J_{\text{ap}}(\bar{u}) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2} B^* r|^2 + \text{tr } G W G^* Q_\infty] dt.$$

The optimal closed-loop system is given by (4.37) and its unique solution is given by (4.28).

4.2. Quadratic control under partial observation. Consider a special case of (4.3) and its observation

$$(4.36) \quad dy = [A(t)y + B(t)u + f(t)] dt + G(t) dw, \quad y(t_0) = y_0,$$

$$(4.37) \quad dz = C(t)y dt + V(t) dv, \quad z(t_0) = 0$$

where $C(t) \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^1; L(Y, \mathbb{R}^m))$, $V(t) \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathbb{R}^{m \times n})$, nonsingular, v is an m -dimensional Wiener process, $y_0 \in L^2(\Omega, F_{t_0}, P)$ is Gaussian with mean \bar{y}_0 and covariance P_0 , and y_0, w, v are independent. We assume (H1), (S2)-(S4) and wish to minimize

$$(4.38) \quad J_1(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} E \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt$$

over all controls u that are adapted to $\sigma\{z(s), t_0 \leq s \leq t\}$. We will define the set of admissible controls later. We now recall filtering results of the system:

$$(4.39) \quad dy = A(t)y dt + G(t) dw, \quad y(t_0) = y_0,$$

$$(4.40) \quad dz = C(t)y dt + V(t) dw, \quad z(t_0) = 0.$$

The optimal filter $\hat{y}(t)$ of $y(t)$ given $Z_t = \sigma\{z(s), t_0 \leq s \leq t\}$ is the projection of $y(t)$ onto $L^2(\Omega, Z_t, P)$ [20], [26] and is given by the mild solution of

$$(4.41) \quad d\hat{y} = A(t)\hat{y} dt + P(t)C^*(t)[VV^*(t)]^{-1} d\eta, \quad \hat{y}(t_0) = \bar{y}_0$$

where η is the innovation process given by

$$(4.42) \quad d\eta = dz - C(t)\hat{y} dt$$

and $P(t)$, the covariance of the error process $e = y - \hat{y}$, is the mild solution of

$$(4.43) \quad \begin{aligned} (a) \quad & P'(t) - A(t)P(t) - P(t)A^*(t) - G(t)WG^*(t) \\ & + P(t)C^*(t)[VV^*(t)]^{-1}C(t)P(t) = 0, \\ (b) \quad & P(t_0) = P_0. \end{aligned}$$

Following [3], [6], [9], and [17] we define the set of admissible controls

$$(4.44) \quad \left. \begin{aligned} \mathcal{U}_{\text{pad}} = \left\{ u \in M^2_{\text{loc}}([t_0, \infty) \times \Omega; U) : \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} E \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} |u(t)|^2 dt \right. \\ < \infty, u(t) \in L^2(\Omega, H_t, P; U) \cap L^2(\Omega, Z_t, P; U) \\ \left. \text{a.e. } t \text{ and } E|y(t)|^2 \text{ is bounded} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $H_t = \sigma\{\eta(s), t_0 \leq s \leq t\}$.

Now let u be an admissible control and define \hat{y} by

$$(4.45) \quad d\hat{y} = [A(t)\hat{y} + B(t)u + f(t)] dt + P(t)C^*(t)[VV^*(t)]^{-1} d\eta, \quad \hat{y}(0) = \bar{y}_0.$$

Then it is well known [3], [6], [9], [17] that

$$(4.46) \quad \begin{aligned} E \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt \\ = E \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt + \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} \text{tr } M(t)P(t)M^*(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

where y is the response of (4.36). To make our problem nontrivial we assume:

- (S6) (a) (A^*, C) is stabilizable,
- (b) $(A^*, W^{1/2}G^*)$ is detectable.

PROPOSITION 4.2. *Assume (H1) and (S6). Then there exists a unique bounded stable solution P_∞ to (4.43a). The solution $P(t)$ of (4.43) is bounded on $[t_0, \infty)$ for any $P_0 \geq 0$. If, further, $A(t)$, $C(t)$, and $V(t)$ are θ -periodic, then $P_\infty(t)$ is θ -periodic and $P(t + n\theta) \rightarrow P_\infty(t)$ strongly for any $t \geq T_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.*

Proof. The Riccati equation (4.4) is dual to (3.4). Hence the assertions follow from Propositions 3.2-3.5. \square

Remark 4.2. We may replace (S6)(a) by a condition similar to (H3) for the dual control problem. Note that under (S6), P is bounded and

$$\overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} \text{tr } M(t)P(t)M^*(t) dt < \infty.$$

Now consider an auxiliary problem of minimizing

$$\hat{J}_1(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt$$

subject to (4.41) over

$$\hat{\mathcal{U}}_{\text{ad}} = \left\{ u: \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} E \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} |u(t)|^2 dt < \infty, u \text{ adapted to } H_t \text{ such that } E|\hat{y}(t)|^2 \text{ is bounded} \right\}.$$

Assume (H1), (H3), (H4), (S2), and (S6). Then in view of Theorem 4.1 the optimal control is given by

$$\bar{u} = -N^{-1}B^*(Q_\infty \hat{y} + r)$$

where Q_∞ , r are given as in Theorem 3.4 and

$$J_1(\bar{u}) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2 + \text{tr } PC^*[VV^*]^{-1}CPQ_\infty] dt.$$

It is well known that this \bar{u} lies in \mathcal{U}_{pad} [6], [9]. Then we have Theorem 4.6.

THEOREM 4.6. *Assume (H1), (H3), (H4), (S2), and (S6) and consider the control problem (4.36)–(4.38), (4.44). Then the optimal control is given by*

$$\bar{u} = -N^{-1}B^*(Q_\infty \hat{y} + r)$$

where Q_∞ is the unique bounded stable solution of (3.4) and r is the unique bounded solution of (3.49) given by (3.50). The optimal cost is given by

$$J_1(\bar{u}) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2 + \text{tr } MPM^* + \text{tr } PC^*[VV^*]^{-1}CPQ_\infty] dt.$$

If, further, $f(t)$, $C(t)$, and $V(t)$ are θ -periodic and (S5) holds, then Q_∞ , r are θ -periodic and

$$J_1(\bar{u}) = \frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^\theta [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2 + \text{tr } MP_\infty M^* + \text{tr } P_\infty C^*[VV^*]^{-1}CP_\infty Q_\infty] dt$$

where P_∞ is the unique θ -periodic solution of (4.43a).

We may also consider two-sided average cost as J_2 in § 4.1 although the problem becomes a little artificial. We replace the initial conditions of (4.36), (4.37) by $y(-T) = y_0$, $z(-T) = 0$ and minimize

$$J_2(u) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T [|M(t)y|^2 + \langle N(t)u, u \rangle] dt.$$

We allow only for feedback controls on the filtered process \hat{y} of the form

$$u = -K(t)\hat{y} + h(t)$$

where $K(t) \in C_S(\mathbb{R}^1; \mathcal{L}(Y, U))$ is bounded and $h \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^1; U)$.

THEOREM 4.7. Assume (H1), (H3), (H4), (S2), and (S6). The optimal control is given by

$$\bar{u} = -N^{-1}B^*(Q_\infty\bar{y} + r)$$

and

$$J_2(\bar{u}) = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T}^0 [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2 + \text{tr } MP_\infty M^* + \text{tr } P_\infty C^* [VV^*]^{-1} CP_\infty Q_\infty] dt$$

where Q_∞ , P_∞ , and r are unique bounded solutions of (3.4), (4.43a), and (3.49), respectively. If f , C , V are θ -periodic and (S5) holds, then Q_∞ , P_∞ , r are θ -periodic and

$$J_2(\bar{u}) = \frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^\theta [2\langle r, f \rangle - |N^{-1/2}B^*r|^2 + \text{tr } MP_\infty M^* + \text{tr } P_\infty C^* [VV^*]^{-1} CP_\infty Q_\infty] dt.$$

Remark 4.1. We are not able to prove the existence of almost periodic P if the coefficients of (4.43) are almost periodic.

5. An example. Consider the system:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} a_{ij}(t, x) \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(t, x) \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i} \\ &\quad + c(t, x)y + f(t, x) + u(t, x), \quad (t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \Omega, \quad a_{ij} = a_{ji}, \\ (5.1) \quad y(t, x) &= 0, \quad (t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \partial\Omega, \\ y(0, x) &= y_0(x), \quad x \in \Omega \end{aligned}$$

where a_{ij} , b_i , c , f , n are real functions from $\mathbb{R} \times \bar{\Omega}$ to \mathbb{R} and Ω is a bounded set in \mathbb{R}^n with smooth boundary $\partial\Omega$.

We assume the following:

- (i) a_{ij} , b_i , c , and f are continuous and bounded with their first derivatives with respect to $x \in \bar{\Omega}$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (ii) There exists $\nu > 0$ such that

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(t, x) \xi_i \xi_j \geq \nu |\xi|^2, \quad \xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad x \in \bar{\Omega}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

We set $Y = L^2(\Omega)$ and denote by $A(t)$ the linear operator in Y

$$\begin{aligned} (5.3) \quad A(t)y &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} a_{ij}(t, x) \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(t, x) \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i} + c(t, x)y, \\ D(A(t)) &= H^2(\Omega) \cap H_0^1(\Omega). \end{aligned}$$

Then hypothesis (H1)(i) is fulfilled (see [36]) and (H1)(ii) is easily checked (see, for instance, Tanabe [36]). Moreover, the adjoint operator $A^*(t)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} A^*(t)y &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} a_{ij}(t, x) \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (b_i(t, x)y) + c(t, x)y, \\ D(A^*(t)) &= H^2(\Omega) \cap H_0^1(\Omega) \end{aligned}$$

so that (H1)(ii) holds.

Consider the quadratic control problem. Minimize

$$(5.4) \quad J_0(u) = \int_0^\infty dt \int_\Omega (|y(t, x)|^2 + |u(t, x)|^2) dx$$

subject to (5.1) over the set of admissible controls

$$(5.5) \quad U_{\text{ad}}^0 = \{u \in L^2(0, \infty; Y); \text{ the corresponding mild solution to (5.1), } y(t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty\}.$$

We take $U = Y = L^2(\Omega)$, $B = N = M = I$. Then (H2)–(H4) are fulfilled. Thus the Riccati equation (3.4) has a unique bounded solution and the hypotheses of Theorem 3.2 are fulfilled. Then there exists an optimal feedback control for the infinite horizon problem (5.4), (5.5).

Consider now the stochastic system:

$$(5.6) \quad \begin{aligned} dy = & \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} a_{ij}(t, x) \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i} \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(t, x) \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i} + c(t, x)y + u(t, x) + f(t, x) \right) dt \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^n g_i(t, x)y dw_i + g(t, x) dw, \quad (t, x) \in [0, +\infty) \times \bar{\Omega}, \\ & y(t, x) = 0, \quad (t, x) \in [0, +\infty) \times \partial\Omega, \\ & y(0, x) = y_0(x), \quad x \in \bar{\Omega} \end{aligned}$$

where g, g_i are also continuous and bounded with their first derivatives.

Consider the problem. Minimize

$$(5.7) \quad J_0(u) = E \int_0^\infty dt \int_\Omega (|y(t, x)|^2 + |u(t, x)|^2) dt$$

over all $u \in U_{\text{ad}}^0$ defined by (4.7) where y is the solution of (5.6). Now we can apply Theorem 4.2 and so there exists a feedback for problem (3.9).

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