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## Abstract

A collection of benchmark examples is presented for the numerical solution of continuous-time algebraic Riccati equations. This collection may serve for testing purposes in the construction of new numerical methods, but may also be used as a reference set for the comparison of methods.

## 1 Introduction

We present a collection of examples for continuous-time algebraic Riccati equations (CARE) of the form

$$0 = Q + A^T X + X A - X G X \quad (1)$$

where  $A, G, Q, X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . The matrices  $Q = Q^T$  and  $G = G^T$  may be given in factored form  $Q = C^T \tilde{Q} C$ ,  $G = B R^{-1} B^T$  with  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $\tilde{Q} = \tilde{Q}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ , and  $R = R^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ . The corresponding Hamiltonian matrix is defined by

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} A & -G \\ -Q & -A^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & -B R^{-1} B^T \\ -C^T \tilde{Q} C & -A^T \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times 2n}.$$

The coefficient matrices in (1) often come from linear-quadratic control problems of the form

*Minimize*

$$J(x_0, u) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \left( y(t)^T \tilde{Q} y(t) + u(t)^T R u(t) \right) dt \quad (2)$$

*subject to the dynamics*

$$\dot{x}(t) = A x(t) + B u(t), \quad x(0) = x_0, \quad (3)$$

$$y(t) = C x(t). \quad (4)$$

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If, for example,  $\tilde{Q} \geq 0$ ,  $R > 0$ ,  $(A, B)$  stabilizable, and  $(A, C)$  detectable, then the solution of the optimal control problem (2)–(4) is given by the feedback law

$$u(t) = -R^{-1}B^T X x(t)$$

where  $X$  is the unique stabilizing, positive semidefinite solution of (1) (see e.g. [31, 42]). One common approach to solve (1) is to compute the stable invariant subspace of the Hamiltonian matrix  $H$ , i.e., the subspace corresponding to the eigenvalues of  $H$  in the open left half plane (e.g. [11, 27, 28, 31, 42]). If this subspace is spanned by  $\begin{bmatrix} U_1 \\ U_2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $U_1$  is invertible, then  $X = U_2 U_1^{-1}$  is the stabilizing solution of (1).

The examples are grouped in four sections. The first section contains parameter-free examples of fixed dimension, the second parameter-dependent problems of fixed size. Sections 4 and 5 contain examples with scalable size where, in Section 5, the user can also choose one or several parameters.

All presented examples may be generated by the FORTRAN 77 subroutine CAREX.F (see Appendix A) and the MATLAB<sup>1</sup> function `carex.m` (see Appendix B). Appendix C describes how to obtain the software.

The description of each example contains a table with some of the system properties. This information is summarized in Appendix D. For all parameters needed in the examples there exist default values that are also given in the tables. These default values are chosen in such a way that the collection of examples can be used as a testset for the comparison of methods. The tables contain information for one or more choices of the parameters. Underlined values indicate the default values.

For each example, we provide norms and condition numbers of the stabilizing solution  $X$  and the Hamiltonian matrix  $H$ . A large condition number of  $H$  may signal that one can expect problems using the sign function method [15, 20, 38] since the underlying Newton iteration depends on inversion of  $H$ . On the other hand, a large condition number may also be due to a large norm of  $H$  rather than to ill conditioning with respect to inversion as in Example 20. If no analytical solution is available, we computed approximations by the multishift algorithm [1] and the Schur vector method [27]. If possible, these approximations were refined by Newton's method [25] possibly combined with an exact line search [8, 9] to achieve the highest possible accuracy. We then chose the approximate solution with smallest residual norm to compute the properties of the example. (Note that this is not necessarily the most accurate solution !) Only for Example 20, we used the sign function method to compute a first approximation to the solution which was then refined by Newton's method combined with exact line search.

By  $\sigma(A)$  we denote the set of eigenvalues or spectrum of a matrix  $A$ . The spectral norm of a matrix is given by

$$\|A\| = \sqrt{\max\{|\lambda| : \lambda \in \sigma(A^T A)\}}$$

and the given matrix condition numbers are based upon the spectral norm,

$$\kappa(A) = \|A\| \|A^{-1}\|, \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{l \times l}.$$

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Norms and condition numbers were computed by the MATLAB functions `norm` and `cond`. The “right” condition number of algebraic Riccati equations is still an open problem. It has been studied in several papers. Usually, one refers to the condition number which was introduced by Arnold [3], Arnold and Laub [4], and Byers [14] and the estimates and bounds given by Kenney and Hewer [23]. Let  $\check{A}$ ,  $\check{G}$ , and  $\check{Q}$  be real  $n \times n$  matrices “near”  $A$ ,  $G$ , and  $Q$  with respect to the 2-norm and in addition, assume  $G$ ,  $Q$  to be symmetric positive semidefinite. ( $\check{A}$ ,  $\check{G}$ ,  $\check{Q}$  may be considered as perturbed input data.) Define  $\Delta A = \check{A} - A$ ,  $\Delta G = \check{G} - G$ , and  $\Delta Q = \check{Q} - Q$ . Then denoting the stabilizing solution of the CARE (1) by  $X$ , the CARE condition number presented in [14, 23] is defined by

$$K_{CARE} = \limsup_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{\|\Delta X\|}{\delta \|X\|} : \|\Delta A\| \leq \delta \|A\|, \|\Delta G\| \leq \delta \|G\|, \|\Delta Q\| \leq \delta \|Q\| \right\}.$$

Let  $Z_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2$ , be the solutions of the Lyapunov equations

$$(A - GX)^T Z_i + Z_i(A - GX) = -X^i, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \quad (5)$$

and define

$$K_U = \frac{\|Z_0\| \|Q\| + 2\sqrt{\|Z_0\| \|Z_2\|} \|A\| + \|Z_2\| \|G\|}{\|X\|},$$

$$K_L = \frac{\|Z_0\| \|Q\| + 2\|Z_1\| \|A\| + \|Z_2\| \|G\|}{\|X\|}.$$

Then one can prove (see [23]) that

$$\frac{1}{3} K_L \leq K_{CARE} \leq K_U.$$

If  $K_L$  is close to  $K_U$ , this provides a very good approximation to  $K_{CARE}$ . Since this holds for most of the examples, we only give the upper bound  $K_U$  as an approximation for  $K_{CARE}$ . (Note that in [23] a more refined lower bound is given which in some cases is closer to  $K_U$ .)

## 2 Parameter-free problems of fixed size

**Example 1** [27, Example 1]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
2	1	2	–	2.41	5.83	3.00	3.00	5.04

This example can be used for a first verification of any solver for (1) since the solution may be computed by hand. The system matrices are

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = 1, \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The solution is given by

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the spectrum of the closed-loop matrix

$$(A - BR^{-1}B^T X) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is  $\{-1, -1\}$ .

**Example 2** [27, Example 2]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
2	1	2	–	16.16	257.05	31.39	$\infty$	52.59

This is an example of stabilizable-detectable, but uncontrollable-unobservable data. We have the following system matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ -\frac{9}{2} & -\frac{7}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = 1, \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 6 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

with stabilizing solution

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 9(1 + \sqrt{2}) & 6(1 + \sqrt{2}) \\ 6(1 + \sqrt{2}) & 4(1 + \sqrt{2}) \end{bmatrix}$$

and closed-loop spectrum  $\{-1/2, -\sqrt{2}\}$ .

The remaining examples of this chapter consist of some real-world applications. The description of these problems is kept to the minimum necessary information. For the physical, chemical, or engineering background see the given references and the references given therein. Besides their original reference, Examples 3–5 may be found in [18].

**Example 3** [7]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
4	2	4	–	7.82	55.78	6.12	215.28	21.90

Here the system matrices describe a mathematical model of an L-1011 aircraft.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1.89 & 0.39 & -5.53 \\ 0 & -0.034 & -2.98 & 2.43 \\ 0.034 & -0.0011 & -0.99 & -0.21 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0.36 & -1.6 \\ -0.95 & -0.032 \\ 0.03 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 2.313 & 2.727 & 0.688 & 0.023 \\ 2.727 & 4.271 & 1.148 & 0.323 \\ 0.688 & 1.148 & 0.313 & 0.102 \\ 0.023 & 0.323 & 0.102 & 0.083 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = I_2.$$

In this example,  $Q$  has one negative eigenvalue of order  $O(10^{-3})$ . This may reflect a small perturbation in the input data. The computed stabilizing solution is nevertheless positive definite with eigenvalues greater than one.

**Example 4** [10]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
8	2	8	–	3.41	305.91	4.75	$1.28 \times 10^3$	33.58

A mathematical model of a binary distillation column with condenser, reboiler, and nine plates is given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -0.991 & 0.529 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.522 & -1.051 & 0.596 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.522 & -1.118 & 0.596 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.522 & -1.548 & 0.718 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.922 & -1.640 & 0.799 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.922 & -1.721 & 0.901 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.922 & -1.823 & 1.021 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.922 & -1.943 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B^T = 10^{-3} \times \begin{bmatrix} 3.84 & 4.00 & 37.60 & 3.08 & 2.36 & 2.88 & 3.08 & 3.00 \\ -2.88 & -3.04 & -2.80 & -2.32 & -3.32 & -3.82 & -4.12 & -3.96 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = I_2.$$

Note that  $Q$  is indefinite and the computed stabilizing solution is indefinite, too.

**Example 5** [34]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
9	3	9	–	216.70	$3.39 \times 10^3$	2.73	$1.10 \times 10^3$	850.39

This is the data for a 9th-order continuous state space model of a tubular ammonia reactor. It should be noted that the underlying model includes a disturbance term which is neglected in this context.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -4.019 & 5.12 & 0 & 0 & -2.082 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.87 \\ -0.346 & 0.986 & 0 & 0 & -2.34 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.97 \\ -7.909 & 15.407 & -4.069 & 0 & -6.45 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2.68 \\ -21.816 & 35.606 & -0.339 & -3.87 & -17.8 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 7.39 \\ -60.196 & 98.188 & -7.907 & 0.34 & -53.008 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 20.4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 94.0 & -147.2 & 0 & 53.2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 94.0 & -147.2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 12.8 & 0 & -31.6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 12.8 & 0 & 0 & 18.8 & -31.6 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0.010 & 0.003 & 0.009 & 0.024 & 0.068 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.011 & -0.021 & -0.059 & -0.162 & -0.445 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.151 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$Q$  and  $R$  are chosen as identity matrices of size 9 and 3, respectively.

**Example 6** [17]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
30	3	5	–	$1.44 \times 10^8$	$1.50 \times 10^{10}$	$3.56 \times 10^3$	$\infty$	$3.73 \times 10^9$

This control problem for a J-100 jet engine is a special case of a multivariable servomechanism problem. The system state is given by the state of the jet engine denoted by  $x^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{16}$ , the actuators  $x^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^8$ , and the sensors  $x^{(3)} \in \mathbb{R}^6$ . There are three actuators in this problem: one for the fuel flow (denoted by  $x^{(2,1)} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ), one for the nozzle jet area ( $x^{(2,2)} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ), and one for the inlet guide vane position ( $x^{(2,3)} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ). The fuel flow  $x^{ff}$ , nozzle jet area  $x^{nja}$ , and inlet guide vane positions  $x^{igvp}$  themselves are given by the first component of the corresponding state variables, i.e.,

$$x^{ff} = x_1^{(2,1)}, \quad x^{nja} = x_1^{(2,2)}, \quad x^{igvp} = x_1^{(2,3)}.$$

The dynamics of the system are then given by the following set of equations: The state of the jet engine is described by

$$\dot{x}^{(1)} = A^{(1)}x^{(1)} + A^{(1,2,1)}x^{ff} + A^{(1,2,2)}x^{nja} + A^{(1,2,3)}x^{igvp} + B^{(1)}u^{(1)},$$

where  $B^{(1)} = 0$  and

$$A^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} -4.328D+00 & 1.714D-01 & 5.376D+00 & 4.016D+02 & -7.246D+02 & -1.933D+00 & 1.020D+00 & -9.820D-01 \\ -4.402D-01 & -5.643D+00 & 1.275D+02 & -2.335D+02 & -4.343D+02 & 2.659D+01 & 2.040D+00 & -2.592D+00 \\ 1.038D+00 & 6.073D+00 & -1.650D+02 & -4.483D+00 & 1.049D+03 & -8.245D+01 & -5.314D+00 & 5.097D+00 \\ 5.304D-01 & -1.086D-01 & 1.313D+02 & -5.783D+02 & 1.020D+02 & -9.240D+00 & -1.146D+00 & -2.408D+00 \\ 8.476D-03 & -1.563D-02 & 5.602D-02 & 1.573D+00 & -1.005D+01 & 1.952D-01 & -8.804D-03 & -2.110D-02 \\ 8.350D-01 & -1.249D-02 & -3.567D-02 & -6.074D-01 & 3.765D+01 & -1.979D+01 & -1.813D-01 & -2.952D-02 \\ 6.768D-01 & -1.264D-02 & -9.683D-02 & -3.567D-01 & 8.024D+01 & -8.239D-02 & -2.047D+01 & -3.928D-02 \\ -9.696D-02 & 8.666D-01 & 1.687D+01 & 1.051D+00 & -1.023D+02 & 2.966D+01 & 5.943D-01 & -1.997D+01 \\ -8.785D-03 & -1.636D-02 & 1.847D-01 & 2.169D-01 & -8.420D+00 & 7.003D-01 & 5.666D-02 & 6.623D+00 \\ -1.298D-04 & -2.430D-04 & 2.718D-03 & 3.214D-03 & -1.246D-01 & 1.037D-02 & 8.395D-04 & 9.812D-02 \\ -1.207D+00 & -6.717D+00 & 2.626D+01 & 1.249D+01 & -1.269D+03 & 1.030D+02 & 7.480D+00 & 3.684D+01 \\ -2.730D-02 & -4.539D-01 & -5.272D+01 & 1.988D+02 & -2.809D+01 & 2.243D+00 & 1.794D-01 & 9.750D+00 \\ -1.206D-03 & -2.017D-02 & -2.343D+00 & 8.835D+00 & -1.248D+00 & 9.975D-02 & 8.059D-03 & 4.333D-01 \\ -1.613D-01 & -2.469D-01 & -2.405D+01 & 2.338D+01 & 1.483D+02 & 1.638D+00 & 1.385D-01 & 4.488D+00 \\ -1.244D-02 & 3.020D-02 & -1.198D-01 & -4.821D-02 & 5.575D+00 & -4.525D-01 & 1.981D+01 & 1.249D-01 \\ -1.653D+00 & 1.831D+00 & -3.822D+00 & 1.134D+02 & 3.414D+02 & -2.734D+01 & -2.040D+00 & -6.166D-01 \\ 9.990D-01 & 1.521D+00 & -4.062D+00 & 9.567D+00 & 1.008D+01 & -6.017D-01 & -1.312D-01 & 9.602D-02 \\ 1.132D+01 & 1.090D+01 & -4.071D+00 & -5.739D-02 & -6.063D-01 & -7.488D-02 & -5.936D-01 & -9.602D-02 \\ -9.389D-03 & 1.352D-01 & 5.638D+00 & 2.246D-02 & 1.797D-01 & 2.407D-02 & 1.100D+00 & 2.743D-02 \\ -3.081D+00 & -4.529D+00 & 5.707D+00 & -2.346D-01 & -2.111D+00 & -2.460D-01 & -4.686D-01 & -3.223D-01 \\ 2.090D-03 & -5.256D-02 & -4.077D-02 & -9.182D-03 & -5.178D-02 & 3.425D-02 & 4.995D-03 & -1.256D-02 \\ -1.953D-02 & -1.622D-01 & -6.439D-03 & -2.346D-02 & -2.201D-01 & -2.514D-02 & -3.749D-03 & -3.351D-02 \\ 1.878D-02 & -2.129D-01 & -9.337D-03 & -3.144D-02 & -2.919D-01 & -3.370D-02 & 8.873D-02 & -4.458D-02 \\ 2.253D-02 & 1.701D-01 & 8.371D-03 & 2.645D-02 & 2.560D-01 & 2.835D-02 & -3.749D-02 & 3.635D-02 \\ -4.999D+01 & 6.760D-02 & 3.946D+01 & 4.991D-03 & 8.983D-02 & 5.349D-03 & 0.000D+00 & 1.372D-02 \\ -6.666D-01 & -6.657D-01 & 5.847D-01 & 6.654D-05 & 1.347D-03 & 7.131D-05 & 0.000D+00 & 2.057D-04 \\ 2.854D-01 & 2.332D+00 & -4.765D+01 & 3.406D-01 & 3.065D+00 & 3.624D-01 & -4.343D-01 & 4.681D-01 \\ -9.627D+00 & -9.557D+00 & 3.848D+01 & -5.001D+01 & 1.011D-01 & 1.203D-02 & -4.686D-02 & 1.715D-02 \\ -4.278D-01 & -4.245D-01 & 1.710D+00 & -2.000D+00 & -1.996D+00 & 5.349D-04 & -1.999D-03 & 7.544D-04 \\ -4.414D+00 & -4.354D+00 & 1.766D+01 & -3.113D+00 & -3.018D+00 & -1.977D+01 & -4.999D-02 & 1.509D-02 \\ -1.127D-03 & -6.760D-03 & 1.835D-02 & -9.981D-04 & -1.347D-02 & -1.070D-03 & -2.000D+01 & -2.057D-03 \\ 5.004D-01 & -1.437D-01 & -2.416D+00 & -1.073D-01 & -1.078D+00 & 3.053D+01 & 1.989D+01 & -5.016D+01 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^{(1,2,1)} = \begin{bmatrix} -4.570D-02 \\ 1.114D-01 \\ 2.153D-01 \\ 3.262D-01 \\ 9.948D-03 \\ 2.728D-02 \\ 1.716D-02 \\ -7.741D-02 \\ 3.855D-02 \\ 5.707D-04 \\ 5.727D+00 \\ 1.392D-01 \\ 6.172D-03 \\ 6.777D-02 \\ 1.880D-03 \\ 1.677D-01 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A^{(1,2,2)} = \begin{bmatrix} -4.516D+02 \\ -5.461D+02 \\ 1.362D+03 \\ 2.080D+02 \\ -9.839D+01 \\ 7.162D+01 \\ 7.171D+01 \\ -1.412D+02 \\ -7.710D+00 \\ -1.144D-01 \\ -1.745D+03 \\ -2.430D+01 \\ -1.082D+00 \\ 1.660D+01 \\ 9.147D+00 \\ 4.358D+02 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A^{(1,2,3)} = \begin{bmatrix} -1.058D+02 \\ -6.575D+00 \\ 1.346D+01 \\ -2.888D+00 \\ 5.069D-01 \\ 9.608D+00 \\ 8.571D+00 \\ -8.215D-01 \\ -4.371D-02 \\ -6.359D-04 \\ -8.940D+00 \\ -2.736D-01 \\ -1.183D-02 \\ 3.980D-01 \\ -8.241D-01 \\ -5.994D+01 \end{bmatrix}$$

The actuator for the fuel flow is defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}^{(2,1)} &= A^{(2,1)}x^{(2,1)} + B^{(2,1)}u^{(2,1)} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -500 & -60 \end{bmatrix} x^{(2,1)} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 500 \end{bmatrix} u^{(2,1)},\end{aligned}$$

the nozzle jet area actuator is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}^{(2,2)} &= A^{(2,2)}x^{(2,2)} + B^{(2,2)}u^{(2,2)} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -3600 & -708 & -106.72 \end{bmatrix} x^{(2,2)} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 3600 \end{bmatrix} u^{(2,2)},\end{aligned}$$

and the inlet guide vane position actuator is described by

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}^{(2,3)} &= A^{(2,3)}x^{(2,3)} + B^{(2,3)}u^{(2,3)} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -12000 & -5240 & -150 \end{bmatrix} x^{(2,3)} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 12000 \end{bmatrix} u^{(2,3)}.\end{aligned}$$

Since the actuator states are originally given as third-order differential equations, the first entry of  $x^{(2,i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , in the first-order model equations above represents the state of the actuators.

Finally, the sensor state is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}^{(3)} &= A^{(3)}x^{(3)} + A^{(3,1)}x^{(1)} + B^{(3)}u^{(3)} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -33.3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -20 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -20 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -20 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -0.306 & -1.86 \end{bmatrix} x^{(3)} + \begin{bmatrix} 33.3x_1^{(1)} \\ 20x_2^{(1)} \\ 20x_3^{(1)} \\ 20x_5^{(1)} \\ 0.645(x_{12}^{(1)} + x_{13}^{(1)}) \\ -0.894(x_{12}^{(1)} + x_{13}^{(1)}) \end{bmatrix} + 0 \cdot u^{(3)}.\end{aligned}$$

We can thus write the above equations in the standard form  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$  with

$$\begin{aligned}A &= \begin{bmatrix} A^{(1)} & [A^{(1,2,1)} & 0] & [A^{(1,2,2)} & 0 & 0] & [A^{(1,2,3)} & 0 & 0] & 0 \\ 0 & A^{(2,1)} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A^{(2,2)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & A^{(2,3)} & 0 \\ A^{(3,1)} & 0 & 0 & 0 & A^{(3)} \end{bmatrix}, \\ B &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ B^{(2,1)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & B^{(2,2)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & B^{(2,3)} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$



The output of the system is given by

$$y = Cx$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4.865D-01 & 1.383D-02 & 0.000D+00 & 7.418D-05 & 1.538D-05 \\ -6.741D-01 & 2.789D-06 & 0.000D+00 & 5.496D-06 & 1.201D-04 \\ 5.392D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 4.790D-06 & -2.579D-03 \\ 9.542D+01 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 1.478D-04 & -1.609D-04 \\ 2.403D+01 & -1.081D-02 & 0.000D+00 & -1.504D-02 & 1.618D-02 \\ 1.052D+01 & -5.545D-05 & 0.000D+00 & -6.503D-05 & -1.071D-03 \\ 8.190D-01 & 4.722D-05 & 0.000D+00 & 8.820D-05 & -9.561D-05 \\ -4.492D-01 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 4.999D-06 & -5.503D-06 \\ 5.195D-01 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 3.434D-06 & -3.732D-06 \\ 8.437D-01 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 2.727D-05 & -2.996D-05 \\ -1.863D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 1.000D+00 & 1.128D-06 & -1.234D-06 \\ 5.709D-02 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 4.002D-06 & -4.380D-06 \\ 4.815D-01 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 3.673D-05 & -4.024D-05 \\ 3.428D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 4.290D-06 & -4.721D-06 \\ 2.161D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & -4.958D-06 & 5.324D-06 \\ 7.681D-02 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 5.609D-06 & -6.103D-06 \\ -6.777D-02 & 1.282D-04 & 0.000D+00 & 1.030D-06 & 8.109D-06 \\ 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 \\ -4.205D+02 & 3.353D-01 & 0.000D+00 & -1.193D-02 & 2.328D-02 \\ 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 \\ 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 \\ 3.297D+01 & 6.804D-01 & 0.000D+00 & -5.806D-03 & 1.178D-04 \\ 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 & 0.000D+00 \\ & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0.000D+00 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0.000D+00 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} x^{(1)} \\ x^{(2,1)} \\ x^{(2,2)} \\ x^{(2,3)} \\ x^{(3)} \end{bmatrix}.$$

$R$  and  $\tilde{Q}$  are chosen as identities of appropriate size such that  $G = BB^T$ ,  $Q = C^TC$ .

The data of this example differ by 10 orders of magnitude and the norm and condition number of  $H$  are quite large. The eigenvalues of  $H$  vary in magnitude from  $O(10^{-1})$  to  $O(10^2)$ ; all of them are of multiplicity one and do not appear in any kind of clusters. Thus, no numerical problems should be expected from the eigenvalue distribution.

### 3 Parameter-dependent problems of fixed size

**Example 7** [4, Example 1]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
2	1	1	$\varepsilon = 1$	2.95	2.54	2.45	12.91	2.57
			$\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$	2.96	5.20	$2.00 \times 10^{12}$	$8.00 \times 10^{12}$	3.00

Consider the system defined by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$R = 1, \quad C = [1 \ 1], \quad \tilde{Q} = 1.$$

The exact solution of the Riccati equation is

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon^2}}{\varepsilon^2} & \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon^2}} \\ \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon^2}} & \frac{1}{4} \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{(2 + \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon^2})^2} \right) \end{bmatrix}.$$

As  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , the matrix pair  $(A, B)$  becomes unstabilizable and  $x_{11}$  tends to  $\infty$ . Numerical methods for computing the stable invariant subspace of  $H$  yield condition estimates for  $U_1$  of order  $1/\varepsilon^2$  in accordance to  $\kappa(X) \approx 8/\varepsilon^2$ .

**Example 8** [4, Example 3]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
2	2	1	$\varepsilon = 1.0$	$1.01 \times 10^4$	$6.78 \times 10^7$	$9.88 \times 10^3$	$4.16 \times 10^3$	54.42
			$\varepsilon = 10^{-8}$	$1.01 \times 10^6$	$1.46 \times 10^8$	$9.30 \times 10^3$	$9.38 \times 10^6$	$6.69 \times 10^9$

This is an example with increasingly ill-conditioned *control weighting matrix*  $R$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.02 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.001 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \varepsilon & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = [10 \quad 100], \quad \tilde{Q} = 1.$$

If  $\varepsilon < 1$ , then  $\kappa(R) = O(1/\varepsilon)$  and as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , the elements of  $G = BR^{-1}B^T$  become increasingly large.

**Example 9** [24, Example 2]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
2	1	2	$\varepsilon = 1$	1.62	2.62	2.73	3.73	4.15
			$\varepsilon = 10^6$	$1.00 \times 10^6$	$1.00 \times 10^6$	$1.41 \times 10^3$	$2.00 \times 10^6$	$8.66 \times 10^5$
			$\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$	1.00	$1.00 \times 10^{12}$	$1.00 \times 10^6$	$1.00 \times 10^6$	$5.00 \times 10^{11}$

In this example, the matrix  $A$  contains a parameter  $\varepsilon$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \varepsilon \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = 1, \quad Q = I_2.$$

The exact solution, which is stabilizing for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , is given by

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{1 + 2\varepsilon}}{\varepsilon} & 1 \\ \frac{1}{\varepsilon} & \sqrt{1 + 2\varepsilon} \end{bmatrix}.$$

As  $\varepsilon$  grows,  $\|X\|$  increases like  $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$  and the Riccati equation becomes ill conditioned in terms of  $K_{CARE}$  and  $K_U$ . Closed-loop eigenvalues are  $\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\sqrt{1 + 2\varepsilon} \pm \sqrt{1 - 2\varepsilon}) \right\}$  and hence one eigenvalue approaches 0 as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . In this case,  $\kappa(X) = O(1/\varepsilon)$  and  $\kappa(H) = O(1/\varepsilon^2)$ .

Hence, this example may be used to test the ability of a CARE solver to deal with bad scaling due to the  $A$ -matrix and mild ill conditioning ( $\varepsilon \rightarrow +\infty$ ), with closed-loop eigenvalues close to the imaginary axis as well as very ill-conditioned Hamiltonian matrices ( $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ).

**Example 10** [6]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
2	2	2	$\varepsilon = 1$	3.16	2.24	6.16	2.55	2.45
			$\underline{\varepsilon = 10^{-7}}$	2.56	$1.28 \times 10^{14}$	4.00	$1.66 \times 10^7$	$3.76 \times 10^3$

Here, the system matrices are

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon + 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \varepsilon + 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G = I_2, \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The exact stabilizing solution  $X$  of (1) is given by (note the correction in  $x_{12} = x_{21}$  from [6])

$$\begin{aligned} x_{11} &= x_{22} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 2(\varepsilon + 1) + \sqrt{2(\varepsilon + 1)^2 + 2} + \sqrt{2}\varepsilon \right), \\ x_{12} &= x_{21} = \frac{x_{11}}{x_{11} - (\varepsilon + 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

As  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , then  $H$  becomes increasingly ill conditioned, i.e.,  $\kappa(H) = O(1/\varepsilon^2)$ , whereas  $\kappa(X)$  behaves like  $1/\varepsilon$ . Note that for  $\varepsilon = 10^{-7}$ , then  $K_L = 2.0$  which is three orders of magnitude smaller than  $K_U$ . This shows that  $K_U$ ,  $K_L$  may sometimes be far apart and thus,  $K_U$  may overestimate  $K_{CARE}$  by orders of magnitude.

**Example 11** [22]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
2	1	2	$\varepsilon = 1$	10.60	24.15	2.62	6.85	8.11
			$\underline{\varepsilon = 0}$	15.44	58.42	2.62	6.85	$\infty$

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 - \varepsilon & 1 \\ 4 & 2 - \varepsilon \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = 1, \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} 4\varepsilon - 11 & 2\varepsilon - 5 \\ 2\varepsilon - 5 & 2\varepsilon - 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This example represents a type of algebraic Riccati equation arising in  $H_\infty$ -control problems as presented, e.g., in [30]. The matrix

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

solves (1) for arbitrary  $\varepsilon$ . This is the stabilizing solution for  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for  $\varepsilon = 0$  it is still the solution obtained by an  $H$ -invariant *Lagrangian* subspace, i.e., the required solution in the sense of  $H_\infty$ -control. The spectrum of  $H$  is  $\{\pm\varepsilon \pm j\}$ . Hence the closed-loop eigenvalues approach the imaginary axis as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

Note that  $K_U = \infty$  for  $\varepsilon = 0$  does not represent an ill-conditioned Riccati equation. In this case, the condition number  $K_{CARE}$  as given in [23] is not defined.

**Example 12** [36]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
3	3	3	$\varepsilon = 1$	3.16	2.24	6.16	2.55	2.45
			$\underline{\varepsilon = 10^6}$	$3.54 \times 10^6$	3.54	$6.00 \times 10^{12}$	3.00	2.73

This example is constructed as follows. Let

$$V = I - \frac{2}{3}vv^T, \quad v^T = [ 1 \quad 1 \quad 1 ]$$

and

$$A_0 = \varepsilon \operatorname{diag}(1, 2, 3), \quad Q_0 = \operatorname{diag}\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}, 1, \varepsilon\right).$$

Then

$$A = VA_0V, \quad G = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}I_3, \quad Q = VQ_0V.$$

Note that a factorization  $Q = C^T \tilde{Q} C$  can be obtained by setting  $C := V$  and  $\tilde{Q} := Q_0$ . This is used in both the FORTRAN 77 and MATLAB implementations if a factored form is required.

As solution we get

$$X = V \operatorname{diag}(x_1, x_2, x_3) V$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \varepsilon^2 + \sqrt{\varepsilon^4 + 1}, \\ x_2 &= 2\varepsilon^2 + \sqrt{4\varepsilon^4 + \varepsilon}, \\ x_3 &= 3\varepsilon^2 + \sqrt{9\varepsilon^4 + \varepsilon^2}. \end{aligned}$$

For growing  $\varepsilon$ , the corresponding Hamiltonian matrix becomes more and more badly scaled which leads to a significant loss of accuracy in all CARE solvers based on eigenvalue methods. This demonstrates the need to use an appropriate scaling as proposed in [24, 33].

**Example 13** [16]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
4	1	2	$\varepsilon = 1$	1.63	116.85	22.29	$1.03 \times 10^3$	93.04
			$\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$	$1.00 \times 10^{12}$	$5.72 \times 10^{13}$	13.17	$9.10 \times 10^8$	$4.06 \times 10^{13}$

The data of this example describes a magnetic tape control problem.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.345 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.524/\varepsilon & -0.465/\varepsilon & 0.262/\varepsilon \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1/\varepsilon \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1/\varepsilon \end{bmatrix},$$

$$Q = \operatorname{diag}(1, 0, 1, 0), \quad R = 1.$$

A full rank factorization  $C^T C$  of  $Q$  yields

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

As  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , the pair  $(A, B)$  becomes unstabilizable and all condition numbers increase. The Hamiltonian matrix  $H$  becomes very badly scaled.

**Example 14** [4, Example 2]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
4	1	1	$\varepsilon = 1$	4.45	9.90	11.84	140.08	36.43
			$\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$	4.24	17.94	1.00	1.00	$1.00 \times 10^{13}$

Here, we have the following system matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\varepsilon & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -\varepsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & \varepsilon \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = 1, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad \tilde{Q} = 1.$$

As  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , a pair of complex conjugate eigenvalues of the Hamiltonian matrix  $H$  approaches the imaginary axis,  $(A, B)$  gets close to an unstabilizable system, and the CARE becomes fairly ill conditioned as measured by  $K_U$ .

## 4 Examples of scalable size without parameters

**Example 15** [27, Example 4], [5]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
$2N - 1$	$N$	$N - 1$	$N = 5$	10.00	41.01	12.24	$\infty$	11.10
			$N = 20$	10.00	425.44	28.80	$\infty$	50.94

The matrices presented here describe a mathematical model of position and velocity control for a string of high-speed vehicles. (This problem is also known as “smart highway” or “intelligent highway”.) If  $N$  vehicles are to be controlled, the size of the system matrices will be  $n = 2N - 1$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & 0 & \dots & & & 0 \\ 0 & A_{22} & A_{23} & 0 & & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & 0 & A_{N-2,N-2} & A_{N-2,N-1} & & 0 \\ & & & 0 & A_{N-1,N-1} & & \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ 0 & \dots & & & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(2N-1) \times (2N-1)},$$

where

$$A_{k,k} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq N - 1,$$

$$A_{k,k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq N - 2,$$

and

$$G = \text{diag}(1, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 1, 0, 1),$$

$$Q = \text{diag}(0, 10, 0, 10, \dots, 0, 10, 0).$$

Full rank factorizations of  $G$  and  $Q$  are  $G = BB^T$ ,  $Q = 10C^T C = C^T \tilde{Q} C$ , where

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & & & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 & & & \\ 0 & 0 & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & \\ & & & & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(2N-1) \times N},$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(N-1) \times (2N-1)},$$

$$\tilde{Q} = 10I_{N-1}.$$

The stabilizing solution is singular ( $\text{rank}(X) = n - 1$ ). The system does not have any particular bad properties for growing  $n$ . All condition numbers only grow very slowly. The closed-loop eigenvalues are all of magnitude  $O(1)$ . Hence, this example is especially well suited for testing how an algorithm behaves when the dimension of the problem increases.

**Example 16** [27, Example 5]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
$n$	$n$	$n$	$n = 8$	4.12	4.12	1.00	8.12	5.00
			$n = 64$	4.12	4.12	1.00	8.12	5.00

In this example, all system matrices and the solution of (1) are circulant.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & & & & & & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G = Q = I_n.$$

Most eigenvalues of the Hamiltonian matrix have multiplicity 2. For invariant subspace methods that use deflation techniques (e.g., Hamiltonian SR [12, 13, 40], multishift QR [1, 37]), this may cause a lot of deflation steps and hence may slow down convergence. Growth of the problem size  $n$  does not influence norms and condition numbers. All the closed-loop modes  $\lambda$  are real and of magnitude  $O(1)$ . Therefore, this example is perfectly suited to test the behavior of algorithms for growing problem size. The CARE may be solved using an inverse discrete Fourier transformation and the theory of circulant matrices. The stabilizing solution is the circulant matrix

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 & x_{n-1} & x_{n-2} & \dots & x_1 \\ x_1 & x_0 & x_{n-1} & \dots & x_2 \\ x_2 & x_1 & x_0 & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n-1} & x_{n-2} & \dots & & x_0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where for  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$ ,

$$x_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left\{ -2 + 2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k}{n}\right) + \sqrt{5 - 8 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k}{n}\right) + 4 \cos^2\left(\frac{2\pi k}{n}\right)} \right\} \omega_n^{ik} \quad (6)$$

and  $\omega_n^i$  is an  $n$ th root of unity. Note that the coefficient of the second term of the radicand should be 8 instead of 4 as in [27]. Since the imaginary part of the sum in (6) adds to 0,  $\omega_n^{ik}$  may be replaced by  $\cos\left(\frac{2\pi ki}{n}\right)$  for keeping computations real.

## 5 Parameter-dependent examples of scalable size

**Example 17** [27, Example 6]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
$n$	1	1	$n = 21, q = r = 1.0$	1.00	1.00	$2.41 \times 10^9$	$\infty$	$1.26 \times 10^9$
			$n = 21, q = r = 100.0$	100.0	$1.00 \times 10^4$	$2.41 \times 10^{11}$	$\infty$	$1.26 \times 10^9$

This example describes a system of  $n$  integrators connected in series and a feedback controller is supposed to be applied to the  $n$ th system. (For more details about the physical background see [27].)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & & 0 \\ 0 & & & & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & & & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = r, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad \tilde{Q} = q.$$

The eigenvalues of the Hamiltonian matrix are the roots of

$$\lambda^{2n} + (-1)^n qr = 0.$$

It is known that  $x_{1n} = \sqrt{qr}$  (note the correction from [27]). Therefore, the relative error in  $x_{1n}$ , i.e.,  $\frac{|x_{1n} - \sqrt{qr}|}{\sqrt{qr}}$ , may be used as an indicator of the accuracy of the results. The difficulty in this example lies in the fact that  $U_1$  becomes extremely ill conditioned with respect to inversion as  $n$  increases and the elements of  $X$  become very large in magnitude. Observe that the condition number of  $U_1$  for the second parameter combination is two orders of magnitude greater than for the first combination whereas  $K_U$  remains constant. This reflects the fact that both values may (or may not) signal some kind of ill conditioning of the CARE.

**Example 18** [39]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
$n$	1	1	$n = 20,$ $a = 0.05, b = c = 0.1,$ $[\beta_1, \beta_2] = [0.1, 0.5],$ $[\gamma_1, \gamma_2] = [0.1, 0.5].$	260.22	547.34	$1.02 \times 10^{-4}$	$\infty$	495.49
			$n = 100,$ $a = 0.01, b = c = 1.0,$ $[\beta_1, \beta_2] = [0.2, 0.3],$ $[\gamma_1, \gamma_2] = [0.2, 0.3].$	$1.22 \times 10^3$	$1.40 \times 10^5$	$7.10 \times 10^{-4}$	$\infty$	$1.03 \times 10^4$

The data of this example come from a linear-quadratic control problem of one-dimensional heat flow. This problem is described in terms of infinite-dimensional operators on a Hilbert space. Using a standard finite element approach based on linear B-splines, a finite-dimensional approximation to the problem may be obtained by the solution of algebraic Riccati equations (1). If  $N$  denotes the approximation index, then with this approach we obtain a system of order  $n = N - 1$ . The data are constructed as follows.

The linear B-splines define the tridiagonal *Gram* matrix

$$M_N = \frac{1}{6N} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & & & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the system matrices are given by

$$A = M_N^{-1}K_N, \quad B = M_N^{-1}b_N, \quad R = 1, \quad C = c_N^T, \quad \tilde{Q} = 1,$$

where the *stiffness* matrix  $K_N \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is defined as

$$K_N = -aN \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & \dots & & & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $b_N, c_N \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned}(b_N)_i &= \int_0^1 \beta(s) \varphi_i^N(s) ds, & i = 1, \dots, n, \\ (c_N)_i &= \int_0^1 \gamma(s) \varphi_i^N(s) ds, & i = 1, \dots, n.\end{aligned}$$

Here  $\{\varphi_i^N\}_{i=1}^n$  is the B-spline basis for the chosen finite-dimensional subspace of the underlying Hilbert space. The functions  $\beta, \gamma \in L_2(0, 1)$  used here are defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\beta(s) &= \begin{cases} b, & s \in [\beta_1, \beta_2] \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \gamma(s) &= \begin{cases} c, & s \in [\gamma_1, \gamma_2] \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, besides the system dimension  $n$ , the problem has the parameters  $a, b, c, \beta_1, \beta_2, \gamma_1$ , and  $\gamma_2$ . The default values given in the table are taken from [39]. Any other parameter combination may be used for generating the data. Increasing values of  $n$ , respectively  $N$ , result in a finer grid for the underlying approximation scheme.

Approximate solution of infinite-dimensional operator Riccati equations is one source of large-scale matrix Riccati equations. Another is the optimal control problem for *second-order models* as described for example in [19, 29]. In this type of problems, the dynamical system is given in terms of a second-order differential equation

$$M\ddot{z} + L\dot{z} + Kz = Du \tag{7}$$

and an associated output

$$y = Nz + P\dot{z} \tag{8}$$

or alternatively

$$\tilde{y} = \begin{bmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & P \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z \\ \dot{z} \end{bmatrix} \tag{9}$$

where  $z \in \mathbb{R}^\ell$ ,  $M, L, K \in \mathbb{R}^{\ell \times \ell}$ ,  $D \in \mathbb{R}^{\ell \times m}$ , and  $N, P \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times \ell}$ . Often,  $M$  and  $K$  are symmetric where  $M$  is positive definite,  $K$  is positive semidefinite, and  $L$  is the sum of a symmetric positive semidefinite and a skew-symmetric matrix. Usually,  $M$  is called the *mass matrix*,  $L$  is the *Rayleigh* matrix representing damping (the symmetric part) and gyroscopic (the skew-symmetric part) forces, and  $K$  is the *stiffness matrix*. Second-order models are often used to model mechanical systems such as large flexible space structures.

A first-order realization of this problem may be obtained by introducing the state vector  $x = \begin{bmatrix} z \\ \dot{z} \end{bmatrix}$ . This yields a system of the form

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -M^{-1}K & -M^{-1}L \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ M^{-1}D \end{bmatrix} u \tag{10}$$

$$y = [N \ P] x, \tag{11}$$

or, with (9),

$$\tilde{y} = \begin{bmatrix} N & 0 \\ 0 & P \end{bmatrix} x. \tag{12}$$



This is a standard system as in (3) with  $n = 2\ell$ . The weighting matrices  $\tilde{Q}$  and  $R$  in the cost functional (2) can then be chosen depending on the problem.

Here we give two examples of linear-quadratic control problems for second-order models.

**Example 19** [21, Example 3]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
$2\ell$	2	$2\ell$	$\ell = 30,$ $\mu = 4.0, \delta = 4.0, \kappa = 1.0$	2.19	$1.14 \times 10^5$	218.02	447.98	$1.52 \times 10^3$

This is a model of a string consisting of coupled springs, dashpots, and masses as shown in Figure 1. The inputs are two forces, one acting on the left end of the string, the other one on the right end. For

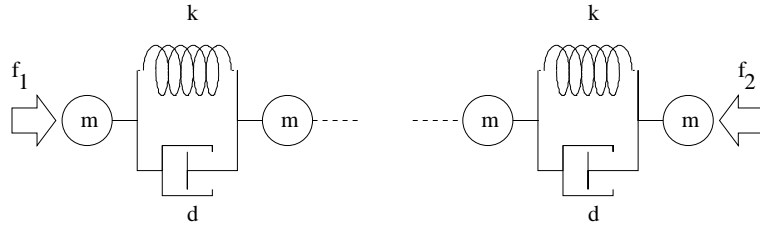


Figure 1: Coupled Spring Experiment ( $k \sim \kappa, m \sim \mu, d \sim \delta$ )

this problem, the matrices in (7), (9) are

$$M = \mu I_\ell, \quad L = \delta I_\ell, \quad N = P = I_\ell,$$

$$K = \kappa \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The cost functional (2) is chosen as  $J(x_0, u) = \int_0^\infty (y(t)^T y(t) + u(t)^T u(t)) dt$ , i.e.,  $\tilde{Q} = I_{2\ell}$  and  $R = I_2$ .

**Example 20** [35, 41]

$n$	$m$	$p$	parameter	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
$2\ell - 1$	$\ell$	$\ell$	$\ell = 211$	$4.06 \times 10^{11}$	$5.50 \times 10^{14}$	$7.21 \times 10^7$	$1.40 \times 10^{22}$	$3.00 \times 10^8$

This example describes a problem arising in power plants. We consider a model of a rotating axle with several masses placed upon it. These masses may be parts of turbines or generators and are assumed to be symmetric with respect to the axle. The input to the system consists of changing loads which act on the masses. This causes vibrations in the axle. The aim is to minimize the moments between two neighboring masses in order to maximize the life expectancy of the axle.

The system matrices in (7) and (8) are given as

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \mu_\ell & \end{bmatrix}, \quad K = \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_1 & -\kappa_1 & & & \\ -\kappa_1 & \kappa_1 + \kappa_2 & -\kappa_2 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & -\kappa_{n-2} & \kappa_{n-2} + \kappa_{n-1} & -\kappa_{n-1} \\ & & & -\kappa_{n-1} & \kappa_{n-1} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 + \gamma_1 & -\gamma_1 & & & & \\ -\gamma_1 & \gamma_1 + \delta_2 + \gamma_2 & -\gamma_2 & & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & -\gamma_{\ell-2} & \gamma_{\ell-2} + \delta_{\ell-1} + \gamma_{\ell-1} & -\gamma_{\ell-1} \\ & & & & -\gamma_{\ell-1} & \gamma_{\ell-1} + \delta_\ell \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = I_\ell,$$

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & & & & \\ \kappa_1 & -\kappa_1 & & & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & \kappa_{\ell-1} & -\kappa_{\ell-1} & \end{bmatrix}, \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & & & & \\ \gamma_1 & -\gamma_1 & & & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & \gamma_{\ell-1} & -\gamma_{\ell-1} & \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence the mathematical model of this problem is defined by  $\ell$  and the parameter vectors

- $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^\ell$  — the moments of inertia of the masses,
- $\delta \in \mathbb{R}^\ell$  — the outer damping forces,
- $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{\ell-1}$  — the damping forces between two neighboring masses, and
- $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}^{\ell-1}$  — the spring constants of the axle part between two neighboring masses.

The resulting system is neither observable nor detectable. We may overcome this problem by eliminating the unobservable state variable as follows.

At first, a linear transformation in the state space is performed. It is known that such a transformation preserves the system properties (i.e., controllability, observability, stabilizability, detectability) if the transformation matrix is regular; see, e.g., [42].

As transformation matrix we choose

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \hat{T} \\ \hat{T} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2\ell \times 2\ell},$$

where  $\hat{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{\ell \times \ell}$  is the lower triangular matrix

$$\hat{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & & & & \\ 1 & -1 & & & & \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & & \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & \dots & -1 & \end{bmatrix}.$$

The inverse of  $T$  is

$$T^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \hat{T}^{-1} \\ \hat{T}^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \hat{T}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ 1 & -1 & & & & \\ & 1 & -1 & & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The resulting system corresponding to (10) is then given by

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\hat{x}} &= \hat{A}\hat{x} + \hat{B}u, \\ y &= \hat{C}\hat{x}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\hat{x} = T^{-1}x$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{A} &= T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -M^{-1}K & -M^{-1}L \end{bmatrix} T = \begin{bmatrix} -\hat{T}^{-1}M^{-1}L\hat{T} & -\hat{T}^{-1}M^{-1}L\hat{T} \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \hat{B} &= T^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ M^{-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{T}^{-1}M^{-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \hat{C} &= [N \ P]T = [P\hat{T} \ N\hat{T}]. \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

Now the  $(\ell + 1)$ st columns of  $\hat{A}$  and  $\hat{C}$  are zero, that is, the  $(\ell + 1)$ st component of  $\hat{x}$  is the undetectable state variable. We thus obtain a stabilizable/detectable system with the same input/output behavior as (13) by removing this component from the system. This is equivalent to removing the  $(\ell + 1)$ st columns of  $\hat{A}$  and  $\hat{C}$  and the  $(\ell + 1)$ st rows of  $\hat{A}$  and  $\hat{B}$ . The resulting system matrices are  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{(2\ell-1) \times (2\ell-1)}$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{(2\ell-1) \times \ell}$ , and  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{\ell \times (2\ell-1)}$ .

The weighting matrix  $\tilde{Q}$  in the cost functional (2) is chosen to normalize the rows of  $C$ , i.e.,  $\tilde{Q} = W_C^T W_C$  where  $W_C \in \mathbb{R}^{\ell \times \ell}$  is a diagonal weighting matrix such that the rows of  $W_C C$  have unit length. The control weighting matrix  $R$  is chosen as an identity matrix of size  $\ell \times \ell$ .

As default values we use data provided by [26] corresponding to a generator axle in a power plant. The dimension of the problem ( $\ell = 211$ ) prevents printing the data. For generating the system matrices we provide data files for use with FORTRAN 77 and MATLAB (see Appendices A and B).

For the default data, the Hamiltonian matrix has a very large norm and condition number despite the scaling of the output matrix. (Without the scaling corresponding to  $W_C$ , these values are even larger by about 10 orders of magnitude.) This is due to the large entries in  $A$ , i.e., the large values  $\kappa_j$ . The reference solution was computed by the sign function method as proposed in [15] where the defect correction was performed using Newton's method combined with exact line search [9]. Due to the bad scaling of this example, it was necessary to scale the Lyapunov equation (5) by  $\|A\|_\infty$  when computing  $K_U$ .

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## A The FORTRAN 77 subroutine CAREX.F

This is the prolog of a FORTRAN 77 subroutine for generating all presented examples. The subroutine was documented according to standards for SLICOT<sup>2</sup> [32]. For some of the examples, CAREX reads the data from data files delivered together with CAREX.F. These are Examples 3–6 and 20. The corresponding data files are CAREX3.DAT, CAREX4.DAT, CAREX5.DAT, CAREX6.DAT, and CAREX20.DAT.

A data file for Example 20 may be supplied by the user. In this case, on entry to CAREX,  $N$  must contain the integer  $\ell$ , i.e., the order of the second order model (7) and the CHARACTER variable DATAF must contain the name of the file. In the data file, the user must provide in consecutive order vectors  $\mu$  (length  $\ell$ ),  $\delta$  (length  $\ell$ ),  $\gamma$  (length  $\ell - 1$ ), and  $\kappa$  (length  $\ell - 1$ ). Besides calls to LAPACK and BLAS [2], CAREX calls the subroutines SP2SY and SY2SP which are used to convert symmetric matrices from general storage mode to packed storage mode and vice versa. These subroutines are provided together with CAREX.F and the necessary data files. If you have no access to LAPACK and BLAS, please contact the authors.

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SUBROUTINE CAREX(NO, N, M, P, NPAR, DPARAM, DATAF, A, LDA, B,
1          LDB, C, LDC, G, LDG, Q, LDQ, X, LDX, NOTE, STORE,
2          FORM, RWORK, IERR)
C
C  PURPOSE
C
C  To generate the benchmark examples for the numerical solution of
C  continuous-time algebraic Riccati equations as presented in [1]
C
C       $0 = Q + A'X + XA - XGX$ 
C
C  corresponding to the Hamiltonian matrix
C
C      
$$H = \begin{pmatrix} A & -G \\ & T \end{pmatrix}$$

C      
$$\begin{pmatrix} -Q & -A \end{pmatrix}$$

C
C  A,G,Q,X are real N-by-N matrices, Q and G are symmetric and may
C  be given in factored form
C
C      
$$(I) \quad G = B R B^{-1}, \quad (II) \quad Q = C Q_0 C^T.$$

C
C  Here, C is P-by-N, Q0 P-by-P, B N-by-M, and R M-by-M, where Q0
C  and R are symmetric. In linear-quadratic control problems,
C  usually Q0 is positive semidefinite and R positive definite.
C
C  ARGUMENT LIST
C  ARGUMENTS IN
C

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<sup>2</sup>Subroutine **L**ibrary in **C**ontrol and **S**ystems **T**heory

C NO - INTEGER.  
C The number of the benchmark example to generate according  
C to [1].  
C  
C N - INTEGER.  
C This integer determines the actual state dimension, i.e.,  
C the order of the matrix A as follows:  
C N = number of vehicles for Example 15.  
C N = order of matrix A for Examples 16-18.  
C N = dimension of second-order system, i.e., order of  
C stiffness matrix for Examples 19 and 20. The order of  
C the output matrix A is  $2*N$  for Example 19 and  $2*N-1$   
C for Example 20.  
C N is fixed for the examples of Sections 2 and 3 of [1],  
C i.e., currently Examples 1-14.  
C NOTE that N is overwritten for Examples 1-14 and for the  
C other examples if N is set by default.  
C  
C M, P - INTEGER.  
C M is the number of columns in the matrix B from (I) (in  
C control problems, the number of inputs of the system).  
C P is the number of rows in the matrix C from (II) (in  
C control problems, the number of outputs of the system).  
C Currently, M and P are fixed or determined by N for all  
C examples and thus are not referenced on input.  
C NOTE that M and P are overwritten.  
C  
C NPAR - INTEGER.  
C Number of input parameters supplied by the user.  
C Examples 1-6 (Section 3 of [1]) have no parameters.  
C Examples 7-14 (Section 4 of [1]) each have one DOUBLE  
C PRECISION parameter which may be supplied in DPARAM(1).  
C Examples 15,16 have one INTEGER parameter which determines  
C the size of the problem. This parameter may be supplied in  
C the input argument N.  
C Examples 17-19 have one INTEGER (supplied in N) and  
C several DOUBLE PRECISION parameters (supplied in DPARAM).  
C If for Example 20 user supplied data is to be used, i.e.,  
C  $NPAR > 0$ , the INTEGER input argument N must contain an  
C INTEGER 1 (as described in [1]) and the CHARACTER input  
C argument DATAF must contain the name of a data file.  
C If the input value of NPAR is less than the number of  
C parameters of the Example NO (according to [1]), the  
C missing parameters are set by default.  
C  
C DPARAM - DOUBLE PRECISION array of DIMENSION at least 7.  
C Double precision parameter vector. For explanation of the

C parameters see [1].  
 C DPARAM(1) defines the parameters 'epsilon' for the  
 C examples in Section 3 (NO = 7,...,14), the parameter 'q'  
 C for NO = 17, 'a' for NO = 18, and 'mu' for NO = 19.  
 C DPARAM(2) defines parameters 'r' for NO = 17, 'b' for  
 C NO = 18, and 'delta' for NO = 19.  
 C DPARAM(3) defines 'c' for NO = 18 and 'kappa' for NO = 19.  
 C DPARAM(4) - DPARAM(7) are only used to generate Example  
 C 18 and define in consecutive order the intervals  
 C ['beta\_1', 'beta\_2'], ['gamma\_1', 'gamma\_2'].  
 C If NPAR is smaller than the number of used parameters in  
 C Example NO (as described in [1]), default values are  
 C used and returned in corresponding components of DPARAM.  
 C NOTE that those entries of DPARAM are overwritten which  
 C are used to generate the example but were not supplied by  
 C the user.  
 C  
 C DATAF - CHARACTER\*255.  
 C The name of a data file supplied by the user. In the  
 C current version, only Example 20 allows a user-defined  
 C data file. This file must contain consecutively DOUBLE  
 C PRECISION vectors mu, delta, gamma, and kappa. The length  
 C of these vectors is determined by the input value for N.  
 C If on entry N = 1, then mu, delta must each contain 1,  
 C gamma, kappa each 1-1 DOUBLE PRECISION values.  
 C  
 C LDA - INTEGER.  
 C The leading dimension of array A as declared in the  
 C calling program.  
 C LDA .GE. N where N is the order of the matrix A, i.e.,  
 C the output value of the integer N.  
 C  
 C LDB - INTEGER.  
 C The leading dimension of array B as declared in the  
 C calling program.  
 C LDB .GE. N (output value of N).  
 C  
 C LDC - INTEGER.  
 C The leading dimension of array C as declared in the  
 C calling program.  
 C LDC .GE. P where P is either defined by default or  
 C depends upon N. (For all examples, P .LE. N, where N is  
 C the output value of the argument N.)  
 C  
 C LDG - INTEGER.  
 C If full storage mode is used for G, i.e., STORE = 'F'  
 C or 'f', then G is stored like a 2-dimensional array

C with leading dimension LDG. If packed symmetric storage  
C mode is used, then LDG is not referenced.  
C LDG .GE. N if STORE = 'F' or 'f'.  
C  
C LDQ - INTEGER.  
C If full storage mode is used for Q, i.e., STORE = 'F'  
C or 'f', then Q is stored like a 2-dimensional array  
C with leading dimension LDQ. If packed symmetric storage  
C mode is used, then LDQ is not referenced.  
C LDQ .GE. N if STORE = 'F' or 'f'.  
C  
C LDX - INTEGER.  
C The leading dimension of array X as declared in the  
C calling program.  
C LDX .GE. N.  
C  
C ARGUMENTS OUT  
C  
C N - INTEGER.  
C The order of matrix A.  
C  
C M - INTEGER.  
C The number of columns of matrix B from (I),  $\text{rank}(G) \leq M$ .  
C  
C P - INTEGER.  
C The number of rows of matrix C from (II),  $\text{rank}(Q) \leq P$ .  
C  
C DPARAM - DOUBLE PRECISION array of DIMENSION at least 7.  
C Double precision parameter vector. For explanation of the  
C parameters see [1].  
C DPARAM(1) defines the parameters 'epsilon' for the  
C examples in Section 3 (NO = 7,...,14), the parameter 'q'  
C for NO = 17, 'a' for NO = 18, and 'mu' for NO = 19.  
C DPARAM(2) defines 'r' for NO = 17, 'b' for NO = 18, and  
C 'delta' for NO = 19.  
C DPARAM(3) defines 'c' for NO = 18 and 'kappa' for NO = 19.  
C DPARAM(4) - DPARAM(7) are only used to generate Example  
C 18 and define in consecutive order the intervals  
C ['beta\_1', 'beta\_2'], ['gamma\_1', 'gamma\_2'].  
C  
C A - DOUBLE PRECISION array of DIMENSION (LDA,N).  
C The leading N by N part of this array contains the  
C coefficient matrix A of the ARE.  
C  
C B - DOUBLE PRECISION array of DIMENSION (LDB,M).  
C If (FORM .EQ. 'F' or 'f' or 'G' or 'g') then array B  
C contains the matrix B of the factored form (I) of G.

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C           Otherwise, B is used as workspace.
C
C       C - DOUBLE PRECISION array of DIMENSION (LDC,N).
C           If (FORM .EQ. 'F' or 'f' or 'Q' or 'q') then array C
C           contains the matrix C of the factored form (II) of Q.
C           Otherwise, C is used as workspace.
C
C       G - DOUBLE PRECISION array of DIMENSION at least ng.
C           If STORE = 'F' or 'f'           then ng = LDG*N.
C           If STORE = 'U' or 'u' or 'L' or 'l' then ng = N*(N+1)/2.
C           If (FORM .EQ. 'P' or 'p' or 'Q' or 'q'), then array G
C           contains the coefficient matrix G of the ARE.
C           If (FORM .EQ. 'F' or 'f' or 'G' or 'g'), then array G
C           contains the 'control weighting matrix' R of G's factored
C           form as in (I).
C           The symmetric matrix contained in array G is stored
C           according to MODE PARAMETER STORE.
C
C       Q - DOUBLE PRECISION array of DIMENSION at least nq.
C           If STORE = 'F' or 'f'           then nq = LDQ*N.
C           If STORE = 'U' or 'u' or 'L' or 'l' then nq = N*(N+1)/2.
C           If (FORM .EQ. 'P' or 'p' or 'G' or 'g'), then array Q
C           contains the coefficient matrix Q of the ARE.
C           If (FORM .EQ. 'F' or 'f' or 'Q' or 'q'), then array Q
C           contains the 'output weighting matrix' QO of Q's factored
C           form as in (II).
C           The symmetric matrix contained in array Q is stored
C           according to MODE PARAMETER STORE.
C
C       X - DOUBLE PRECISION array of DIMENSION (LDX,N).
C           If an exact solution is available (NO = 1,2,7,9-12,16),
C           then the leading N-by-N part of this array contains
C           the solution matrix X. Otherwise, X is not referenced.
C
C       NOTE - CHARACTER*70.
C           String containing short information about the chosen
C           example.
C
C       WORK SPACE
C
C       RWORK - DOUBLE PRECISION array of DIMENSION at least N*MAX(4,N).
C
C       MODE PARAMETERS
C
C       FORM - CHARACTER.
C           Specifies the output format of the examples, i.e., if Q
C           and G are returned in factored form (I),(II), or not.

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C           FORM = 'P' or 'p': The matrices Q and G are returned.  
C           FORM = 'G' or 'g': G is returned in factored form, i.e.,  
C                                    B and R from (I) are returned, array Q  
C                                    contains the coefficient matrix Q.  
C           FORM = 'Q' or 'q': Q is returned in factored form, i.e.,  
C                                    C and Q0 from (II) are returned, array  
C                                    G contains the coefficient matrix G.  
C           FORM = 'F' or 'f': Q and G are given in factored form,  
C                                    i.e., B, R, C, and Q0 from (I) and (II)  
C                                    are returned.  
C           Otherwise, CAREX returns with an error.  
C           NOTE that for factored forms, output array G contains R  
C           from (I) whereas output array Q contains Q0 from (II).  
C  
C       STORE - CHARACTER.  
C           Specifies the storage mode for arrays G and Q.  
C           STORE = 'F' or 'f': Full symmetric matrices are stored in  
C                                    G and Q, i.e., the leading N-by-N  
C                                    part of these arrays each contain a  
C                                    symmetric matrix.  
C           STORE = 'L' or 'l': Matrices contained in arrays G and Q  
C                                    are stored in lower packed mode,  
C                                    i.e., the lower triangle of a  
C                                    symmetric n-by-n matrix is stored by  
C                                    columns, e.g., the matrix entry  
C                                    G(i,j) is stored in the array entry  
C                                     $G(i+(2*n-j)*(j-1)/2)$  for  $j \leq i$ .  
C           STORE = 'U' or 'u': Matrices contained in arrays G and Q  
C                                    are stored in upper packed mode,  
C                                    i.e., the upper triangle of a  
C                                    symmetric n-by-n matrix is stored by  
C                                    columns, e.g., the matrix entry  
C                                    G(i,j) is stored in the array entry  
C                                     $G(i+j*(j-1)/2)$  for  $i \leq j$ .  
C           Otherwise, CAREX returns with an error.  
C  
C       ERROR INDICATOR  
C  
C       IERR - INTEGER.  
C           Unless the routine detects an error (see next section),  
C           IERR contains 0 on exit.  
C  
C       WARNINGS AND ERRORS DETECTED BY THE ROUTINE  
C  
C       IERR = 1 : (NO .LT. 1) or (NO .GT. NEX).  
C                                    (NEX = number of available examples.)

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C      IERR = 2 : (N .LT. 1) or (N .GT. LDA) or (N .GT. LDB) or
C                (N. GT. LDX) or (P .GT. LDC).
C      IERR = 3 : MODE PARAMETER STORE had an illegal value on input.
C      IERR = 4 : MODE PARAMETER FORM had an illegal value on input.
C      IERR = 5 : Data file could not be opened or had wrong format.
C      IERR = 6 : Division by zero.
C      IERR = 7 : G can not be computed as in (I) due to a singular R
C                matrix.
C
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## B The MATLAB function carex.m

The prolog of the MATLAB function `carex.m` is listed below. For all listed examples, it is possible to return the matrices  $A$ ,  $G$ ,  $Q$  and the factors  $B$ ,  $R$ ,  $C$ ,  $\tilde{Q} = QO$ . If the solution is not available, the output matrix  $X$  contains an empty matrix. Otherwise,  $X$  is returned as well as the upper and lower bounds  $K_U$  and  $K_L$  for  $K_{CARE}$  computed by a MATLAB function `carecond`. Note that `carecond` uses the Lyapunov solver `lyap` from the MATLAB CONTROL TOOLBOX.

For Examples 6 and 20, we provide data files `carex6.mat` and `carex20.mat`, respectively. These files contain the necessary data for the corresponding examples in internal MATLAB format. For Example 20, the user may provide a data file containing an integer `l` and column vectors `mu`, `delta`, `gamma`, and `kappa` of appropriate size such that in a MATLAB environment, the command

```
>> load <filename>
```

would generate the necessary information. The name of this file can then serve as input to `carex` which generates the system matrices according to this data.

```
function [A,G,Q,X,parout,B,R,C,QO]=carex(index,parin)
% CAREX
%
% Test examples for the continuous-time algebraic Riccati equation
%
% (CARE) 0 = Q + A' X + X A - X G X.
%
% Here, A, G, Q, X are n-by-n matrices, G and Q are symmetric.
% G, Q may be in factored form G = B R^(-1) B', Q = C' QO C.
% Then B is n-by-m, R m-by-m, C p-by-n, and QO is p-by-p. The
% corresponding Hamiltonian matrix is defined as
%
%
%           ( A  -G )   (   A   -B/R B' )
% H := Ham(A,G,Q) := (           ) = (           ).
%           (-Q  -A' )   (-C' QO C   -A' )
%
% Input:
% - index : number of example to generate, indices refer to example
%           numbers in [1].
% - parin : input parameters (optional, default values given in [1]).
%           For Example number
%           + 1- 6: not referenced ([1], Section 2).
%           + 7-14: parin(1) = real-valued scalar, ([1], Section 3).
%           + 15  : parin(1) = N, n = 2*N-1, m = N, p = N-1.
%           + 16-18: parin(1) = n = problem size = size of A, G, Q, X.
%           + 17  : parin(2) = QO (real scalar).
%                   parin(3) = R (real scalar).
%           + 18  : parin(2:8) = real-valued scalars, where
%                   parin(2:4) = [a, b, c].
```

```

%           parin(5:6) = [beta_1,beta_2].
%           parin(7:8) = [gamma_1,gamma_2].
%   + 19   : parin(1) = l = number of springs (n = 2l).
%           parin(2:4) = [mu, lambda, kappa].
%   + 20   : parin = name of data file containing the number of masses
%             1 (n = 2*l-1), and the vectors mu, delta, gamma,
%             kappa described in [1].
%
% Output:
% - A, G, Q : system matrices from CARE.
% - X       : exact stabilizing solution of CARE (if available).
%             If an exact solution is not available, the empty matrix
%             is returned.
%             For Example 17,  $X = X(1,n) = X(n,1) = \sqrt{QO*R}$ , which
%             is the only available information.
% - parout  : Vector with system properties,
%             parout(1:3) = [n, m, p]
%             parout(4)   = norm(H) = 2-norm of  $H = \text{Ham}(A,G,Q)$ 
%             parout(5)   = 2-norm condition number of H.
%             The following parameters are only returned if an analytical
%             solution of the CARE is available:
%             parout(6)   = 2-norm of X
%             parout(7)   = 2-norm condition number of X
%             parout(8:9) = [KU,KL] = upper and lower bound for condition
%                             number of CARE (see [2]) (not available for
%                             Example 11).
%
% - B,R,C,QO: optional output matrices if factored form is required.
%
% References:
%
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%     Examples for the Numerical Solution of Algebraic Riccati
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```

## C How to obtain the software

The codes corresponding to this paper may be obtained via anonymous ftp at TU Chemnitz-Zwickau. Proceed as follows.

```
> ftp ftp.tu-chemnitz.de
> Name: anonymous
> Password: your complete e-mail address
> cd pub/Local/mathematik/Benner
```

Observe the capital “L” in Local !

Now get the compressed FORTRAN 77 subroutines CAREX.F, SP2SY.F, SY2SP.F, a sample Makefile and program as well as the data files CAREX3.DAT, CAREX4.DAT, CAREX5.DAT, CAREX6.DAT, CAREX20.DAT by

```
> get carex_f.tar.Z
```

or the compressed MATLAB functions carex.m, carecond.m and data files carex6.mat, carex20.mat by

```
> get carex_m.tar.Z
```

After exiting ftp, extracting the MATLAB codes and data files is achieved by the following commands:

```
> uncompress carex_m.tar.Z
> tar xf carex_m.tar
```

Analogously, the FORTRAN 77 codes and corresponding data files are obtained by

```
> uncompress carex_f.tar.Z
> tar xf carex_f.tar
```

In both cases, the command `tar xf` creates a directory containing all required files. For `carex_m.tar.Z`, this directory is called `carex_m` and for `carex_f.tar.Z`, it will be `carex_f`. If there occur any problems obtaining or running the codes please contact one of the authors.

## D Reference table

Table 1 on the next page summarizes the properties of all the presented examples. A value “ $\infty$ ” for  $\kappa(X)$  or  $\kappa(H)$  means that the corresponding matrix is not invertible with respect to the numerical rank computed by MATLAB.  $K_U = \infty$  represents a singular Lyapunov equation (5). The column  $X^*$  indicates whether an analytical stabilizing solution is available (“+”) or not (“-”).

Table 1

no.	$n$	$m$	$p$	default	$X^*$	$\ H\ $	$\kappa(H)$	$\ X\ $	$\kappa(X)$	$K_U$
1	2	1	2	–	+	2.41	5.83	3.00	3.00	5.04
2	2	1	2	–	+	16.16	257.05	31.39	$\infty$	52.59
3	4	2	4	–	–	7.82	55.78	6.12	215.28	21.90
4	8	2	8	–	–	3.41	305.91	4.75	$1.28 \times 10^3$	33.58
5	9	3	9	–	–	216.70	$3.39 \times 10^3$	2.73	$1.10 \times 10^3$	850.39
6	30	3	5	–	–	$1.44 \times 10^8$	$1.50 \times 10^{10}$	$3.56 \times 10^3$	$\infty$	$3.73 \times 10^9$
7	2	1	1	$\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$	+	2.96	5.20	$2.00 \times 10^{12}$	$8.00 \times 10^{12}$	3.00
8	2	2	1	$\varepsilon = 10^{-8}$	–	$1.01 \times 10^6$	$1.46 \times 10^8$	$9.30 \times 10^3$	$9.38 \times 10^6$	$6.69 \times 10^9$
9	2	1	2	$\varepsilon = 10^6$	+	$1.00 \times 10^6$	$1.00 \times 10^6$	$1.41 \times 10^3$	$2.00 \times 10^6$	$8.66 \times 10^5$
10	2	2	2	$\varepsilon = 10^{-7}$	+	2.56	$1.28 \times 10^{14}$	4.00	$1.66 \times 10^7$	$3.76 \times 10^3$
11	2	1	2	$\varepsilon = 0$	+	15.44	58.42	2.62	6.85	$\infty$
12	3	3	3	$\varepsilon = 10^6$	+	$3.54 \times 10^6$	3.54	$6.00 \times 10^{12}$	3.00	2.73
13	4	1	2	$\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$	–	$1.00 \times 10^{12}$	$5.72 \times 10^{13}$	13.17	$9.10 \times 10^8$	$4.06 \times 10^{13}$
14	4	1	1	$\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$	–	4.24	17.94	1.00	1.00	$1.00 \times 10^{13}$
15	$2N - 1$	$N$	$N - 1$	$N = 20$	–	10.00	425.44	28.80	$\infty$	50.94
16	$n$	$n$	$n$	$n = 64$	+	4.12	4.12	1.00	8.12	5.00
17	$n$	1	1	$n = 21, q = r = 1.0$	–	1.00	1.00	$2.41 \times 10^9$	$\infty$	$1.26 \times 10^9$
18	$n$	1	1	$n = 100,$ $a = 0.01, b = c = 1.0,$ $[\beta_1, \beta_2] = [0.2, 0.3],$ $[\gamma_1, \gamma_2] = [0.2, 0.3]$	–	$1.22 \times 10^3$	$1.40 \times 10^5$	$7.10 \times 10^{-4}$	$\infty$	$1.03 \times 10^4$
19	$2\ell$	2	$2\ell$	$\ell = 30,$ $\mu = \delta = 4.0, \kappa = 1.0$	–	2.19	$1.14 \times 10^5$	218.02	447.98	$1.52 \times 10^3$
20	$2\ell - 1$	$\ell$	$\ell$	$\ell = 211$	–	$4.06 \times 10^{11}$	$5.50 \times 10^{14}$	$7.21 \times 10^7$	$1.40 \times 10^{22}$	$3.00 \times 10^8$

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