

# Exponential synchronization of complex networks with non-delayed and delayed coupling via hybrid control

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## Abstract

In this paper, the different structure synchronization of the two complex chaotic networks with time-varying delay and non-time-varying delay coupling is considered. Based on Lyapunov stability theory, combined with Yong inequality approach, Hybrid control including periodically intermittent control and adaptive control is designed such that the two complex chaotic networks achieves the exponential synchronization. Different numerical simulations are given to illustrate the effectiveness of the proposed method. Moreover through comparing the numerical simulations with the different functions of time delay, we can get how the time delay function impacts the complex chaotic networks synchronization in this model.

*Keywords:* complex chaotic networks, hybrid controller, time-varying delayed, Lyapunov stability theory

## 1 Introduction

In recent years, complex chaos networks have been a most important hot research area in the nonlinear science [1-4]. Based on the potential application and development foreground in physics, biology, communication, traffic, WWW and so on, the controller and synchronization have been attracted increasing attention [5, 6].

After many years of research, people have put forward a variety of effective chaotic synchronization control methods such as feedback control [7], adaptive control [8], impulse control [9] and intermittent control [10], etc. Synchronization has been applied to practical application, especially used in secure communication. In actually, the structure of drive system and response system is likely to be different. Therefore there is more practical significance for the research of synchronization of complex networks with non-identical structure.

As an important direction, many works have been done to consider the synchronization of complex networks. The synchronization of chaotic dynamic networks with unknown and mismatched parameters has been considered in [11]. In [12], Zheng et al, discussed adaptive projective synchronization in complex networks with time-varying coupling delay. In [13], Cai et al, studied the synchronization-based approach for parameters identification in delayed chaotic networks. Many novel researches were proposed in [14], which considered the synchronization of chaotic systems with time-varying delays via intermittent control. In [15], Du et al, studied function projective in complex dynamical networks with time delay via hybrid feedback control.

The above synchronization methods are based on the chaotic networks with identical structure. Sun et al,

proposed non-identical structure chaotic networks in [16]. Based on the research of [16], Cai et al, studied linear generalized synchronization between two complex networks in [17].

In light of above finding, we propose a hybrid control, consisting of an adaptive control and intermittent control, to achieve the exponential synchronization of complex networks with time delay and non-time delay. And we explore the new condition of time delay  $\tau(t)$ . Based on the Lyapunov stability theorem and Yong inequality, the synchronization of chaos networks has been achieved. The numerical simulations have showed the accuracy and the effectiveness of the method.

## 2 Description

In this paper, complex networks with time delay and non-time-delay consisting  $N$  linearly and diffusively coupled identical nodes are considered as the drive system, described as the following:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_i(t) = f(x_i(t)) + \sum_{j=1}^N c_{ij} \Gamma_1 x_j(t) + \sum_{j=1}^N d_{ij} \Gamma_2 x_j(t - \tau(t)), \\ t > 0 \\ x(t) = \varphi(t), \quad -\tau \leq t \leq 0 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N \end{cases}, \quad (1)$$

where  $x_i(t) = (x_{i1}(t), x_{i2}(t), \dots, x_{in}(t))^T \in R^n$  is the state vector of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  node,  $f: R \times R^n \rightarrow R^n$  is a smooth vector-valued function, the time delay  $\tau(t)$  is a constant or a bounded function, for simplicity, we

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assume the inner connecting matrix  $\Gamma_1$  and  $\Gamma_2$  are diagonal matrix, where  $\|\Gamma_1\| = \beta$ ,  $\|\Gamma_2\| = \gamma$ ,  $C = (c_{ij})_{n \times n}$ ,  $D = (d_{ij})_{n \times n} \in R^{n \times n}$  is the weight matrix, if there is a connection from node  $i$  to node  $j$  ( $i \neq j$ ), then  $c_{ij} \neq 0$  and  $d_{ij} \neq 0$ , otherwise,  $c_{ij} = 0$  and  $d_{ij} = 0$ .

In this following, we introduce a general response networks consisting of  $N$  nodes with non-time-varying and time-varying delay, regarding the Equation (1) as the drive system, described as follows:

$$\dot{y}_i(t) = B y_i(t) + g_i(t, y_i(t)) + \sum_{j=1}^N c_{ij} T_1 y_j(t) + \sum_{j=1}^N d_{ij} T_2 y_j(t - \tau_i(t)) + u_i \quad (2)$$

where  $y_i(t) = (y_{i1}(t), y_{i2}(t), \dots, y_{in}(t))^T \in R^n$  is the state vector of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  node,  $B$  is an  $n \times n$  constant matrix,  $g_i(\cdot): R^n \rightarrow R^n$  is a nonlinear vector-valued function, which is distinct for differentiable cluster, representing the activity of an individual subsystem.  $u_i$  is a controller.

Remark 1. The coupling configuration matrix  $C$  and  $D$  is not restricted to be symmetric or irreducible.

Now we introduce some definitions, assumptions, lemmas and theorem that will be required in this paper. Definition 1: For the drive Equation (1) and response Equation (2), the following controller is called hybrid controller including adaptive control and intermittent control:

$$u_i(t) = u_{i1}(t) + u_{i2}(t), \quad (3)$$

where

$$u_{i1}(t) = f(x_i(t)) - A y_i(t) - B g(y_i(t)),$$

$$u_{i2}(t) = -h_i(t)(y_i(t) - x_i(t)).$$

$$h_i(t) = \begin{cases} k_i, & nT \leq t \leq (n + \theta)T \\ 0, & (n + \theta)T \leq t \leq (n + 1)T \end{cases}$$

$i=1, 2, \dots, N$ , in which  $k_i > 0$  is a constant.

Defining the synchronization error as  $e(t) = y(t) - x(t)$ , if the drive-response system satisfies:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|e(t)\| = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|y(t) - x(t)\| = 0$ , then the drive Equation (1) and response Equation (2) can achieve synchronization. We can derive the error dynamical networks:

$$\dot{e}_i(t) = A e_i(t) + B(g(y_i(t)) - g(x_i(t))) + \sum_{j=1}^N c_{ij} \Gamma_1 e_j(t) + \sum_{j=1}^N d_{ij} \Gamma_2 e_j(t - \tau(t)) - k e_i(t)$$

$$nT \leq t \leq (n + \theta)T,$$

$$\dot{e}_i(t) = A e_i(t) + B(g(y_i(t)) - g(x_i(t))) + \sum_{j=1}^N c_{ij} \Gamma_1 e_j(t) + \sum_{j=1}^N d_{ij} \Gamma_2 e_j(t - \tau(t))$$

$$(n + \theta)T \leq t \leq (n + 1)T.$$

Assumption 1. For any different  $x_1, x_2 \in R^n$ , suppose there exists a constant  $L > 0$  such that  $\|g(x_1) - g(x_2)\| \leq L \|x_1 - x_2\|$ ,  $i=1, 2$ . The norm  $\|\cdot\|$  of a variable is defined as  $\|x\| = (x^T x)^{1/2}$ .

Lemma 1 [18]. For any  $x(t) = (x_1(t), x_2(t), \dots, x_n(t))^T$ ,  $y(t) = (y_1(t), y_2(t), \dots, y_n(t))^T \in R^n$ , there exists a positive constants  $\xi > 0$  so that the following inequality is established:  $2x^T y \leq \frac{1}{\xi} x^T x + y^T y$ .

Lemma 2 [14]. Let  $0 \leq \tau(t) \leq \tau$ ,  $y(t)$  is a continuous and non-negative function. If  $t \in [-\tau, \infty]$ , and the following conditions are satisfied:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}(t) \leq -\gamma_1 y(t) + \gamma_2 y(t - \tau(t)) & nT \leq t < (n + \theta)T \\ x(t) = \varphi(t), & -\tau \leq t \leq 0 \\ \dot{y}(t) \leq -\gamma_3 y(t) + \gamma_2 y(t - \tau(t)) & (n + \theta)T \leq t < (n + 1)T \\ y_i(t) = \Phi(t), & -\tau \leq t \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

where  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3$  is constant,  $n=1, 2, \dots, N$ , if the condition  $\gamma_1 > \gamma_2 > 0$ ,  $\delta = \gamma_1 + \gamma_3$  and  $\eta = \lambda - \delta(1 - \theta) > 0$ , so we can get  $y(t) \leq \sup_{-\tau \leq s \leq 0} y(s) \exp(-\eta t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , in which  $\lambda > 0$  is the only positive solution of function  $\lambda - \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 \exp(\lambda \tau) = 0$ .

### 3 Main results

In this section,  $\rho_{\min}$  is defined as the minimum eigenvalue of the matrix  $(\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_1^T) / 2$ . We assume  $\rho_{\min} \neq 0$  and  $\|\Gamma_1\| = \rho$ .  $\hat{C}^s = (\hat{C} + \hat{C}^T) / 2$ , where  $\hat{C}$  is obtained through that  $(\rho_{\min} / \rho) c_{ii}$  substitutes for the diagonal element  $c_{ii}$  of matrix  $C$ . Let  $P = D \otimes \Gamma_2$ , where  $\otimes$  stand for the Kronecker product. Now we consider how to select the appropriate  $h_i(t)$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, N$ ),  $\theta$  and  $T$  so that the drive Equation (1) and the response Equation (2) can achieve exponential synchronization.

Theorem 1. For drive Equation (1) and response Equation (2), if Assumption 1 is established, by the Definition 1, there exists a positive constant  $a_1, a_2, a_3$

and  $k_i$  ( $i=1,2,\dots,N$ ) such that the following conditions holds:

(i)  $A + LB + \rho \hat{C}^s + (\lambda_{\max}(\frac{1}{2} PP^T) + a_1 - k)I_n \leq 0$ ,

(ii)  $A + LB + \rho \hat{C}^s - (a_3 - a_1 - \lambda_{\max}(\frac{1}{2} PP^T))I_n \leq 0$ ,

(iii)  $L_2 - a_1 < 0$ ,

(iv)  $w = \varepsilon - 2a_2(1 - \theta) > 0$ ,

where  $\varepsilon > 0$  is the only positive solution of function  $-2a_1 + \varepsilon + 2L_2 \exp\{\varepsilon\tau\} = 0$ , then the trivial solution of error Equation (6) is globally asymptotically stable, which implies that drive Equation (1) and the response Equation (2) can achieve globally exponential synchronization.

Proof. Consider the following Lyapunov function:

$$V(t) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N e_i^T(t) e_i(t).$$

According the Definition 1, Lemma 1 and the conditions (i)-(iii), the derivative of  $V(t)$  about the trajectories of error system is given as the following: when  $nT \leq t \leq (n + \theta)T$ ,  $n=0,1,2,\dots$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}(t) &= \sum_{i=1}^N e_i^T(t) \dot{e}_i(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N e_i^T(t) (Ae_i(t) + B(g(y_i(t) - g(x_i(t)))) + \sum_{j=1}^N c_{ij} \Gamma_1 e_j(t) + \sum_{j=1}^N d_{ij} \Gamma_2 e_j(t - \tau(t)) - ke_i(t)) \leq \\ &\sum_{i=1}^N e_i^T(t) (A + LB - kI_n) e_i(t) + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N c_{ij} e_i^T(t) \Gamma_1 e_j(t) + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N d_{ij} e_i^T(t) \Gamma_2 e_j(t - \tau(t)) \leq \sum_{i=1}^N e_i^T(t) (A + LB - kI_n) e_i(t) + \\ &\sum_{i=1}^N c_{ii} \rho_{\min} e_i^T(t) e_i(t) + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1, i \neq j}^N c_{ij} \rho \|e_i(t)\| \|e_j(t)\| + \\ &\frac{1}{2} e^T(t) PP^T e(t) + \frac{1}{2} e^T(t - \tau(t)) e(t - \tau(t)) \leq \\ &e^T(t) (A + LB + (\lambda_{\max}(\frac{1}{2} PP^T) - k) I_n) e(t) + \\ &\rho e^T(t) \lambda_{\max}(\hat{C} \otimes I_n) e(t) + \frac{1}{2} e^T(t - \tau(t)) e(t - \tau(t)) + \\ &(\lambda_{\max}(\frac{1}{2} PP^T) + a_1 - k) I_n e(t) - a_1 e_i^T(t) e_i(t) \leq \\ &-2a_1 V(t) + V(t - \tau(t)) \end{aligned}$$

when  $(n + \theta)T \leq t < (n + 1)T$ ,  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}(t) &= \sum_{i=1}^N e_i^T(t) \dot{e}_i(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N e_i^T(t) (Ae_i(t) + B(g(y_i(t) - g(x_i(t)))) + \sum_{j=1}^N c_{ij} \Gamma_1 e_j(t) + \sum_{j=1}^N d_{ij} \Gamma_2 e_j(t - \tau(t))) \leq \\ &e^T(t) (A + LB + \frac{1}{2} e^T(t - \tau(t)) e(t - \tau(t)) + \\ &\lambda_{\max}(\frac{1}{2} PP^T) I_n) e(t) + \rho e^T(t) \lambda_{\max}(\hat{C} \otimes I_n) e(t) \leq \\ &e^T(t) (A + LB + \rho \lambda_{\max}(\hat{C}^s) + (a_3 - a_1) e^T(t) e(t) - \\ &(a_3 - a_1 - \lambda_{\max}(\frac{1}{2} PP^T)) I_n) e(t) + \frac{1}{2} e^T(t - \tau(t)) e(t - \tau(t)) \leq \\ &2(a_3 - a_1) V(t) + V(t - \tau(t)) \end{aligned}$$

From the above equation, we have:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{V}(t) \leq -2a_1 V(t) + V(t - \tau(t)), & nT \leq t \leq (n + \theta)T \\ \dot{V}(t) \leq 2(a_3 - a_1) V(t) + V(t - \tau(t)), & (n + \theta)T \leq t < (n + 1)T \end{cases}$$

From the lemma 2, one has:

$$V(t) \leq \sup_{-\tau \leq s \leq 0} V(s) \exp(-wt), \quad t \geq 0.$$

According to the Lyapunov stability theorem and the definition of exponential synchronization, the drive Equation (1) and response Equation (2) can achieve exponential synchronization. The proof is completed.

Next, we will discuss how to select appropriate parameters, and use simple and easy date to achieve synchronization: from Theorem 1. We know:

$$m_0 = 2\lambda_{\max}(A + LB + \rho \lambda_{\max}(\hat{C}^s) + (\lambda_{\max}(\frac{1}{2} PP^T) I_n),$$

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{2}, a_3 = m_0 + a_1 > 0.$$

Then the condition (ii) in Theorem 1 is established. Corollary 1. If there exists a positive  $a_1 > a_2$  such that

(i)  $0 < m_0 + a_1 \leq k$ ,

(ii)  $\eta = \lambda - 2(m_0 + a_1)(1 - \theta) > 0$ ,

where  $\varepsilon > 0$  is the only positive solution of function  $-2a_1 + \varepsilon + 2a_2 \exp\{\varepsilon\tau\} = 0$ , then the drive Equation (1) and response Equation (2) can achieve exponential synchronization.

Remark 2. There are many papers about complex networks based on intermittent control. The time delay and intermittent control period have strict restrict conditions, for example,  $\theta = 0.5$  [20],  $0 \leq \dot{\tau}(t) < 1$  [17], where the time delay  $\tau(t)$  must be differentiable and bounded. In this paper, the time delay only needs bounded.

Remark 3. Adaptive synchronization is a continuous control method. Intermittent synchronization is a

discrete control method. In this paper, we put the two methods together. The model we consider is a general chaos networks. And the use of intermittent controller is a pretty effective way to achieve system synchronization.

In Corollary 1, there is the only parameter  $a_1$ . If the parameter  $a_1$  is given as  $\gamma^* (> a_2)$ , we plug  $a_1 = \gamma^*$  into the function  $-2a_1 + \varepsilon + a_2 \exp\{\varepsilon\tau\} = 0$ . So we can get  $\varepsilon = \varphi(\gamma^*)$ , and the following conclusion.

Corollary 2. If the parameter  $a_1$  is given as  $\gamma^* (> a_2)$ , then the condition of the two systems achieve exponential synchronization is obtained in the following:

- (i)  $0 < m_0 + a_1 \leq k$ ,
- (ii)  $1 - \frac{\varphi(\gamma^*)}{m_0 + \gamma^*} < \theta < 1$ .

From the corollary, we can obtain  $k$ , control rate  $\theta$ . Based on the above discussion, appropriate controller can be get such that the drive system and response system can achieve synchronization.

**4 Numerical simulations**

In this section, we consider the Lü system:

$$\dot{x} = f(z) = \begin{bmatrix} a(z_2 - z_1) \\ cz_2 - z_1z_2 \\ -bz_3 + z_1z_2 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{5}$$

where  $a = 36, b = 3, c = 20$ .

Rössler system:

$$\dot{v} = Av + Bg(v) = \begin{bmatrix} -v_2 - v_3 \\ v_1 + wv_2 \\ \lambda + v_3(v_1 - \theta) \end{bmatrix}, \tag{6}$$

where  $w = 0.2, \lambda = 0.2, \theta = 5.7$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0.2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -5.7 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, g(v) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ v_1v_2 + 0.2 \end{pmatrix}$$

in which  $\alpha = \|A\| = 5.7897, \beta = \|B\| = 1$ .

The five nodes are considered in drive system:

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = f(x_i(t)) + \sum_{j=1}^5 c_{ij} \Gamma_1 x_j(t) + \sum_{j=1}^5 d_{ij} \Gamma_2 x_j(t - \tau(t)),$$

Response system is described as:

$$\dot{y}_i(t) = Ay_i(t) + Bg(y_i(t)) + \sum_{j=1}^5 c_{ij} \Gamma_1 y_j(t) + \sum_{j=1}^5 d_{ij} \Gamma_2 y_j(t - \tau(t)) + u_i(t), \quad i=1, \dots, 5;$$

where the  $f(x_i(t))$  as the Equation (5) shows,  $g(y_i(t))$ ,  $A$  and  $B$  as the Equation (6) shows.  $C = (c_{ij})_{n \times n}$  and  $D = (d_{ij})_{n \times n} \in R^{n \times n}$  are the weight matrix.

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -4 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & -7 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -7 & 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In numerical simulation, the initial values of drive-response system are chosen as  $x_i(0) = (0.3 + 0.1i, 0.3 + 0.1i, 0.3 + 0.1i)^T$ ,  $y_i(0) = (2.0 + 0.7i, 2.0 + 0.7i, 2.0 + 0.7i)^T$ . Choose  $L=1, \Gamma_1 = \Gamma_2 = \text{diag}(1,1,1)$ ,  $T=1, \rho_{\min} = \rho = 1, \tau(t) = \frac{e^t}{1+e^t}$ ,  $0 < \tau(t) < 1$ . Based on the Corollary 2, we can get  $\rho \lambda_{\max}(\hat{C}^s) = 1.35, \lambda_{\max}(\frac{1}{2}PP^T) = 1.3053$ , so  $m_0 = 36.6037$ .

From the Figure 1, we can obtain  $\gamma^* = 20$  and  $\theta = 0.97$ , which satisfy the relation of Corollary 2, such that  $k \geq m_0 + a_1 = 56.6037$ . Thus we choose  $k = 57$ . The simulation of Figure 2 shows the drive Equation (1) and response Equation (2) can achieve synchronization in a few second. A piecewise function given in the Figure 3, which means that the time delay is not differentiable, shows the correctness of the discussion in remark 2.

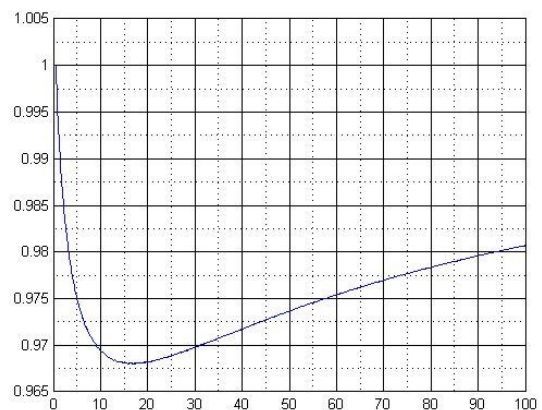
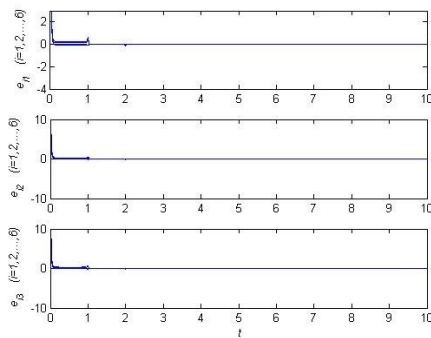
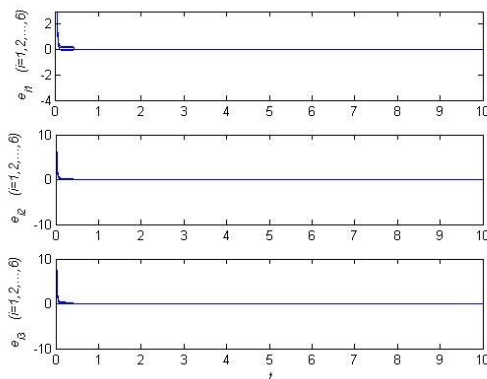


FIGURE 1 The relationship of parameter  $\gamma^* - \theta$

FIGURE 2 The synchronization error when  $\tau(t)$  is linear functionFIGURE 3 The synchronization error where  $\tau(t) = \|t - 0.2\| - \|t - 0.6\|$ 

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## 5 Conclusions

In this paper, based on the Lyapunov stability theorem, a hybrid controller is proposed, which concludes adaptive control and intermittent control, to achieve synchronization of time-varying and non-time-varying coupling complex networks. The time delay  $\tau(t)$  only needs bound. The numerical simulations discuss two state of the time delay, which is continuous and discrete. And they also indicate the synchronization time is related to the maximum of the time delay  $\tau(t)$ . The examples have shown the accuracy and the effectiveness of the proposed method.

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