Asynchronous Switching Control for Continuous-time Switched Linear Systems with Output-feedback

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Abstract: This paper investigates the asynchronous switching control problem for continuous-time switched linear systems via dynamic output-feedback, where the dynamic output-feedback controller contains an impulsive reset law to reset the controller state. A time-varying multiple Lyapunov-like-function (MLF) approach is employed to analyze the stability and weighted L_2 -gain of the closed-loop systems. The switching stability criteria for the closed-loop systems are established in terms of linear matrix inequalities (LMIs), which are dependent on the upper and lower bounds of the switching interval and the asynchronous delays. The switching logic is designed to guarantee the closed-loop systems achieving the weighted L_2 -gain performance. Two numerical examples are provided to show the effectiveness of the proposed method.

Keywords: Asynchronous switching, average dwell time, dynamic output-feedback, switched linear system.

1. INTRODUCTION

The switched systems have been widely concerned by various scientific communities during the last decade due to its wide application in industry, such as biological systems [1], robotics [2], networked control [3], and so forth. At present, abundant results on the stability analysis of switched systems have been published with numerous practical analysis methods [4-6], such as common quadratic Lyapunov function (CLF) [7], multiple Lyapunov-like-function (MLF) [8], piecewise Lyapunov-Razumikhin functions [9], etc. Further, the control synthesis problem of switched systems has been extensively studied in recent years. The CLF approach was employed for switched linear systems with state-feedback control in [10], and a switching state-feedback robust control was designed in [11]. Moreover, the results on switched systems with output-feedback control have been published in recent literature. A hybrid control scheme was given in [12], and an extended linear-quadratic gaussian (LQG) design was proposed in [13].

However, the above mentioned results are based on the synchronous switching between the sub-controller and the subsystems, which ignores the time lag between the instant of the sub-controller activation and the subsystem switching instant. Therefore, the obtained results may be more conservative due to the delay of the sub-controller activation without consideration. Note that asynchronous switching control has received plenty of attention from researchers [14–18], since the concept of asynchronous switching was first proposed in [19]. The asynchronous switching state-feedback control problem for switched systems with a given maximal asynchronous delay was addressed in [20]. In addition, the dynamical outputfeedback control problem for discrete-time switched linear systems was investigated under asynchronous switching in [21], where an approach was provided to address the bilinear problem. Note that the asynchronous dynamic output feedback control problem has been studied in the literature. However, the existing results, such as [22] and [23], are conservative and not very applicable for engineering applications, due to the non-convex form of the results and the conservative methods dealing with the asynchronous delays. In the present paper, we provided an alternative method with a time-varying MLF, which is capable of estimating the allowable upper and lower bounds of the asynchronous delays and decouples the bilinear matrix inequalities in asynchronous output feedback control design. The overall conservativeness is reduced theoretically, which is also verified by two numerical examples.

It is noticeable that the switching controllers with state reset exhibit more flexibility and potential advantages on controller solvability and performance improvement. Switching control with state reset has been extensively

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studied in recent literatures such as [12,21,24], where such approach has been also reported with applications to F-16 aircraft [24]. Also note that the design of switching dynamic output feedback controller for the switched system *without state reset* may lead to non-convex control synthesis conditions, whereas the introduction of controller state reset for such problem can help to establish control synthesis conditions. With these motivations, we consider the design problem of a switching dynamic output feedback controller with state reset for switched linear systems. Moreover, a common assumption is that the upper bound of the asynchronous delays is given in advance in the current literature. How to determine the range of asynchronous delays is also a challenging problem.

In this paper, the asynchronous switching dynamic output-feedback control problem for continuous-time switched linear systems with average dwell time (ADT) is solved. A time-varying MLF is constructed to establish the control synthesis conditions that guarantee the closed-loop systems with the weighted L_2 -gain performance. Note that the established conditions are dependent on the upper and lower bounds of the asynchronous delays and the switching interval, and the upper and lower bounds of the asynchronous delays the established conditions.

The arrangement of this paper is as follows. The model of switched linear systems and the problem description are formulated in Section 2. The main theoretical results are presented in Section 3. Two numerical examples and conclusions are given in Section 4 and Section 5, respectively.

Notation: The following notations will be used in this paper. \mathbb{R}_+ , \mathbb{R}^n and $\mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ denote the set of the nonnegative real numbers, the n-dimensional Euclidean space and the set of all $n \times m$ matrices, respectively. The Euclidean vector norm is represented by $\|\cdot\|$. The notation $\ensuremath{\mathbb{N}}$ represents the set of the nonnegative integers. For a real matrix M, M^{T} is said to be the transpose of M, and $He\{M\} = M + M^{T}$. Further, if M is a real symmetric matrix, the symbol $M > (\geq, <, \leq)0$ is expressed as a positive definite (positive semi-definite, negative definite, negative semi-definite) matrix. I_n , $I_{m \times n}$, 0_n and $0_{m \times n}$ are defined as the $n \times n$ identity matrix, $m \times n$ identity matrix, $n \times n$ zero matrix and $m \times n$ zero matrix, respectively. The notation $I[N_1, N_2]$ is defined as the positive integers set $\{N_1, N_1 + 1, \dots, N_2\}$ for two positive integers N_1, N_2 with $N_1 < N_2$. For two positive scalars δ_1, δ_2 with $\delta_1 \leq \delta_2$, let $\mathcal{S}(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ be the set of switching time sequences $\{t_k\}$ satis fying $\delta_1 \leq t_{k+1} - t_k \leq \delta_2$ for $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$.

2. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Consider continuous-time switched linear systems of the following form:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{p}(t) = A_{\sigma}x_{p}(t) + B_{1,\sigma}u(t) + H_{1,\sigma}w(t), \\ z(t) = C_{1,\sigma}x_{p}(t) + B_{2,\sigma}u(t) + H_{2,\sigma}w(t), \\ y(t) = C_{2,\sigma}x_{p}(t) + H_{3,\sigma}w(t), \end{cases}$$
(1)

where $x_p(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the plant state, u(t) is the control input, z(t) is the controlled output, y(t) is the measurement output, $w(t) \in L_2^p[0,\infty)$ is the disturbance input. The switching signal $\sigma(t)$, a piecewise constant function, takes positive integer value belonging to the finite set $\mathbf{I}[1,N_p]$ in the interval $[t_{k-1},t_k), k \in \mathbb{N}$, where $N_p > 1$ is the number of subsystems. $\{t_k, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a switching time sequence of $\sigma(t)$ satisfying $0 \le t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_k < \cdots$, and $\lim_{k \to +\infty} t_k = +\infty$. In addition, $A_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, B_{1,i} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n_u}, B_{2,i} \in$ $\mathbb{R}^{p \times n_u}, C_{1,i} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}, C_{2,i} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times n}, H_{1,i} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n_w}, H_{2,i} \in$ $\mathbb{R}^{p \times n_w}, H_{3,i} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times n_w}, i \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p]$ are known constant matrices. Similar to [12], we make the following assumption for each subsystem.

(A1) The triple $(A_i, B_{1,i}, C_{2,i})$ is stabilizable and detectable for $\forall i \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p]$.

In this paper, our objective is to design a dynamical output-feedback switching controller with controller state reset and an admissible switching signal for the switched linear systems (1) such that the closed-loop systems is exponentially stable and has a weighted L_2 -gain performance.

The dynamic output-feedback switching controller with controller state reset is designed of the form:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{c}(t) = A_{c,\bar{\sigma}}x_{c}(t) + B_{c,\bar{\sigma}}y(t), \\ u(t) = C_{c,\bar{\sigma}}x_{c}(t) + D_{c,\bar{\sigma}}y(t), \\ x_{c}(t) = E_{ij}x_{c}(t^{-}), \quad t = t_{k}^{c}, \end{cases}$$
(2)

where $x_c(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the controller state. $E_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], i \neq j$ are defined as the controller reset matrices, which need to be designed. The subscript $\{ij\}$ is expressed as the switching from the sub-controller *i* to the sub-controller *j*. $\bar{\sigma}(t)$ is the switching signal of the controller (2). $\{t_k^c, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is the switching time sequence of $\bar{\sigma}(t)$. Moreover, assume that the solution of the controller (2) is right continuous, namely, $x_c(t_k) = x_c(t_k^+), k \in \mathbb{N}$. For the convenience of description, the notation $K_{c,\bar{\sigma}}$ is defines as

$$K_{c,\bar{\sigma}} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{c,\bar{\sigma}} & B_{c,\bar{\sigma}} \\ C_{c,\bar{\sigma}} & D_{c,\bar{\sigma}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

It is noted that the controller takes some time to identify and match the new subsystem when the subsystem switching occurs. Therefore, the switching time sequence of $\bar{\sigma}(t)$ can be expressed as $t_k^c = t_k + \Delta_k, k \in \mathbb{N}$, where Δ_k is asynchronous delay satisfying $\Delta_0 = 0$ and $0 < \Delta_k < t_{k+1} - t_k$ for $\forall k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$. Assume that there exist positive scalars $\delta_{c,l}, \delta_{p,l}, l = 1, 2$ satisfying $0 < \delta_{c,1} \le \delta_{c,2} < \max\{t_{k+1} - t_k, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ and $0 < \delta_{p,1} \le \delta_{p,2}$, such that $\delta_{c,1} \le t_k^c - t_k \le \delta_{c,2}$ and $\delta_{p,1} \le t_{k+1} - t_k^c \le \delta_{p,2}$ hold for $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$. Then we have $\delta_1 \triangleq \delta_{c,1} + \delta_{p,1} \leq t_{k+1} - t_k \leq \delta_{p,2} + \delta_{c,2} \triangleq \delta_2$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$. For the system switching instant t_k , let $\sigma(t_k^-) = i$ and $\sigma(t_k) = j$. Thus, we have $\bar{\sigma}(t_k^{c-}) = i$ and $\bar{\sigma}(t_k^c) = j$ for the controller switching instant t_k^c .

Different from the synchronous switching control, the interval $[t_k, t_{k+1})$ is divided into the intervals $[t_k, t_k^c)$ and $[t_k^c, t_{k+1})$ in the asynchronous switching control for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, where $[t_k, t_k^c)$ represents the unmatched interval of the sub-controller and subsystem, and the other is the matched interval of the sub-controller and subsystem. We do not require the Lyapunov function to decrease monotonically in the unmatched interval, and allow it to increase with a bounded increasing rate. In order to facilitate the presentation, let $T_{\uparrow}(t_s, t)$ be the length of the increasing interval of Lyapunov function within the interval $[t_s, t)$, for example, $T_{\uparrow}(t_k, t_{k+1}) = \Delta_k, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$.

The closed-loop systems can be described in the following form by combining (1) and (2):

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = A_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}}x(t) + B_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}}w(t), \\ z(t) = C_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}}x(t) + D_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}}w(t), \\ x(t) = \tilde{E}_{ij}x(t^{-}), \quad t = t_k^c, \end{cases}$$
(3)

where $x = \operatorname{col}(x_p, x_c)$. The matrices $A_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}}, B_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}}, C_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}}, D_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}}$ and $\tilde{E}_{ij}, i \neq j, i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p]$ are formulated as follows:

$$\begin{split} A_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}} &= \tilde{A}_{\sigma} + \tilde{B}_{1,\sigma} K_{c,\bar{\sigma}} \tilde{C}_{2,\sigma}, \\ B_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}} &= \tilde{H}_{1,\sigma} + \tilde{B}_{1,\sigma} K_{c,\bar{\sigma}} \tilde{H}_{3,\sigma}, \\ C_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}} &= \tilde{C}_{1,\sigma} + \tilde{B}_{2,\sigma} K_{c,\bar{\sigma}} \tilde{C}_{2,\sigma}, \\ D_{\sigma,\bar{\sigma}} &= \tilde{H}_{2,\sigma} + \tilde{B}_{2,\sigma} K_{c,\bar{\sigma}} \tilde{H}_{3,\sigma}, \\ \tilde{E}_{ij} &= \text{diag}\{I_n, E_{ij}\}, \quad i \neq j, \quad i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], \end{split}$$

where

$$\begin{split} \tilde{A}_{\sigma} &= \begin{bmatrix} A_{\sigma} & 0_n \\ 0_n & 0_n \end{bmatrix}, \ \tilde{B}_{1,\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_n & B_{1,\sigma} \\ I_n & 0_{n \times n_u} \end{bmatrix}, \ \tilde{H}_{3,\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{n \times n_w} \\ H_{3,\sigma} \end{bmatrix}, \\ \tilde{C}_{2,\sigma} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0_n & I_n \\ C_{2,\sigma} & 0_{q \times n} \end{bmatrix}, \ \tilde{H}_{1,\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} H_{1,\sigma} \\ 0_{n \times n_w} \end{bmatrix}, \ \tilde{H}_{2,\sigma} = H_{2,\sigma}, \\ \tilde{C}_{1,\sigma} &= \begin{bmatrix} C_{1,\sigma} & 0_{p \times n} \end{bmatrix}, \ \tilde{B}_{2,\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{p \times n} & B_{2,\sigma} \end{bmatrix}. \end{split}$$

According to the properties of the switching signal, the closed-loop systems (3) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}(t) \\ z(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{i,i} & B_{i,i} \\ C_{i,i} & D_{i,i} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ w(t) \end{bmatrix}, & t \in [t_{k-1}^c, t_k), \\ \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}(t) \\ z(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{j,i} & B_{j,i} \\ C_{j,i} & D_{j,i} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ w(t) \end{bmatrix}, & t \in [t_k, t_k^c), \\ x(t_k^c) = \tilde{E}_{ij} x(t_k^{c-}), & k \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$
(4)

The following definitions and lemmas will be used in this paper.

Definition 1 [19]: For a switching signal $\sigma(t)$ and two positive scalars s_1, s_2 with $t_0 \le s_1 \le s_2, N_{\sigma(t)}(s_1, s_2)$ is defined as the switching number of $\sigma(t)$ over the interval

 $[s_1, s_2)$. If there exist nonnegative integer N_0 and scalar $\tau_a > 0$ such that $N_{\sigma(t)}(s_1, s_2) \le N_0 + (s_2 - s_1)/\tau_a$ holds, then τ_a and N_0 are called the ADT and the chatter bound, respectively.

Definition 2: Let $x(t,t_0,x(t_0))$ be the state trajectory of the closed-loop systems (4) with $w(t) \equiv 0$ through $(t_0,x(t_0))$. Given a class $S(\delta_1,\delta_2)$ of switching time sequences, the closed-loop systems (4) with $w(t) \equiv 0$ is uniformly globally exponentially stable (UGES) over $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$, if there exist positive constants ε and \mathcal{K} such that the following inequality holds:

$$||x(t,t_0,x_0)|| \le \mathcal{K} ||x(t_0)|| e^{-\varepsilon(t-t_0)}, \quad t \ge t_0 \ge 0.$$

Definition 3: For given positive scalars α_0 and γ , the closed-loop systems (4) is said to be internally UGES and has a weighted L_2 -gain less than γ , if the closed-loop systems (4) with $w(t) \equiv 0$ is UGES and under the zero initial condition, the controlled output z(t) and the disturbance input w(t) satisfy

$$\int_{t_0}^{\infty} \mathrm{e}^{-\alpha_0(s-t_0)} z^{\mathrm{T}}(s) z(s) ds \leq \gamma^2 \int_{t_0}^{\infty} w^{\mathrm{T}}(s) w(s) ds, \ t_0 \geq 0.$$

Lemma 1: Consider the closed-loop systems (4) satisfying (A1). For given scalars $\alpha > 0$, $\beta \ge 0$, $\gamma > 0$, $\gamma_i \ge 1$, $\mu_l \in (0,1]$, l = 1,2, nonnegative integer N_0 , and a class $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ of switching time sequences with the ADT τ_a , the closed-loop systems (4) is internally UGES and has a weighted L_2 -gain less than γ over $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$, if there exist functions $V_i(t, x(t)) : \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^{2n} \to \mathbb{R}_+$ with $V_{\sigma(t_0)}(t_0, x_0) \equiv$ 0 and $V_{ij}(t, x(t)) : \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^{2n} \to \mathbb{R}_+$, $i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], i \neq j$ such that for $\forall i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], i \neq j$, one has

$$\begin{cases} \dot{V}_{i}(t,x(t)) \leq -\alpha V_{i}(t,x(t)) - \Gamma(t), \ t \in [t_{k-1}^{c},t_{k}), \\ \dot{V}_{ij}(t,x(t)) \leq \beta V_{ij}(t,x(t)) - \Gamma(t), \ t \in [t_{k},t_{k}^{c}), \end{cases}$$
(5)

and

$$V_{ij}(t_k, x(t_k)) \le \gamma_1 V_i(t_k^-, x(t_k^-)), V_i(t_k^c, x(t_k^c)) \le \gamma_2 V_{ij}(t_k^{c-}, x(t_k^{c-}), \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$
(6)

where $\Gamma(t) = \varphi(t)(\frac{1}{\gamma}z^{\mathrm{T}}(t)z(t) - \theta\gamma w^{\mathrm{T}}(t)w(t)), \quad \theta = \mu_0 \mathrm{e}^{-N_0(\ln(\gamma_1\gamma_2) + \delta_{c,2}(\alpha + \beta)) + \frac{\delta_{c,1}\ln\gamma_2}{\tau_a}}$, and

$$\tau_{a} = \frac{\ln(\gamma_{1}\gamma_{2}) + (\alpha + \beta)\delta_{c,2}}{\alpha_{0}},$$

$$\varphi(t) = \begin{cases} \varphi_{1}(t), & t \in [t_{k-1}^{c}, t_{k}), \\ \varphi_{2}(t), & t \in [t_{k}, t_{k}^{c}), \end{cases}$$
(7)

in which $\varphi_1(t)$ and $\varphi_2(t)$ are defined in (14), $\mu_0 = \min\{\mu_1, \mu_2\}$, and $\alpha_0 \in (0, \alpha)$.

The proof of Lemma 1 is presented in Appendix A.

Remark 1: The notations δ_1 and δ_2 in switching time sequence $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ represent the minimum and maximum

dwell time of the switching signal $\sigma(t)$, respectively. Then the ADT τ_a needs to satisfy $\delta_1 \leq \tau_a \leq \delta_2$. Obviously, τ_a also satisfies $\tau_a > \tau_a^* \triangleq \frac{\ln(\gamma_1 \gamma_2) + (\alpha + \beta)\delta_{c,2}}{\alpha}$.

Lemma 2: For matrices $E = E^{\mathrm{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$, $X \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$, $p \le n$, if there exist $S \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ and positive scalar ε such that the following matrix inequality holds:

$$\begin{bmatrix} E + He\{BKS[I_p \ \tilde{I}]\} & X^{\mathrm{T}} - [I_p \ \tilde{I}]^{\mathrm{T}}S^{\mathrm{T}} + \varepsilon BKS \\ * & -\varepsilon He\{S\} \end{bmatrix} \le 0,$$
(8)

where $\tilde{I} = I_{p \times (n-p)}$. Then we have

$$E + BKX + (BKX)^{\mathrm{T}} \le 0. \tag{9}$$

The proof of Lemma 2 is given in Appendix A.

Lemma 3: ([25]) For any matrices P > 0, U of appropriate dimensions, and positive scalar v, the following matrix inequality holds:

$$UP^{-1}U^{\mathrm{T}} \ge \mathbf{v}(U+U^{\mathrm{T}}) - \mathbf{v}^{2}P.$$

3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we employ different time-varying MLFs for the matched interval and the unmatched interval to analyze the stability and weighted L_2 -gain of the closed-loop systems (4), which is less conservative than only constructing an identical MLFs. In the following, we introduce several piecewise auxiliary functions [25] in combination with switching time sequences $\{t_k, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ to construct the time-varying MLFs.

For $t \in [t_{k-1}^c, t_k)$, we define $\bar{\rho}_1(t) = \frac{1}{t_k - t_{k-1}^c}$, and

$$\rho_1(t) = (t - t_{k-1}^c)\bar{\rho}_1(t), \ \rho_2(t) = (t_k - t)\bar{\rho}_1(t), \ k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

It follows that

$$\rho_1(t_k^-) = \rho_2(t_{k-1}^c) = 1, \ \rho_1(t_{k-1}^c) = \rho_2(t_k^-) = 0.$$
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ho}_1(t)}{1/\delta_{p,1} - 1/\delta_{p,2}}, & \delta_{p,2} > \delta_{p,1}, \ 0, & \delta_{p,2} = \delta_{p,1}, \end{cases}$$

and $\rho_{11}(t) = 1 - \rho_{12}(t)$. We have

$$\bar{\rho}_1(t) = \frac{1}{\delta_{p,1}} \rho_{11}(t) + \frac{1}{\delta_{p,2}} \rho_{12}(t).$$
(11)

Similarly, for $t \in [t_k, t_k^c)$, we define $\bar{\rho}_2(t) = \frac{1}{t_k^c - t_k}$, and

$$\tilde{\rho}_1(t) = (t - t_k)\bar{\rho}_2(t), \ \tilde{\rho}_2(t) = 1 - \tilde{\rho}_1(t), \ k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Then, we obtain

$$\tilde{\rho}_1(t_k^{c-}) = \tilde{\rho}_2(t_k) = 1, \ \tilde{\rho}_1(t_k) = \tilde{\rho}_2(t_k^{c-}) = 0.$$
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ho}_2(t)}{1/\delta_{c,1} - 1/\delta_{c,2}}, & \delta_{c,2} > \delta_{c,1}, \ 0, & \delta_{c,2} = \delta_{c,1}, \end{cases}$$

and $\tilde{\rho}_{11}(t) = 1 - \tilde{\rho}_{12}(t)$. It implies that

$$\bar{\rho}_2(t) = \frac{1}{\delta_{c,1}} \tilde{\rho}_{11}(t) + \frac{1}{\delta_{c,2}} \tilde{\rho}_{12}(t).$$
(13)

Based on the introduction of auxiliary functions, we construct the following time-varying MLFs for $t \in [t_{k-1}^c, t_k^c), k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\begin{cases} V_{i}(t,x(t)) = \varphi_{1}(t)x^{\mathrm{T}}(t)P_{i}(t)x(t), & t \in [t_{k-1}^{c}, t_{k}), \\ V_{ij}(t,x(t)) = \varphi_{2}(t)x^{\mathrm{T}}(t)P_{ij}(t)x(t), & t \in [t_{k}, t_{k}^{c}), \end{cases}$$
(14)

where $\varphi_1(t) = \mu_1^{\rho_1(t)}, P_i(t) = \rho_1(t)P_{i1} + \rho_2(t)P_{i2}, \varphi_2(t) = \mu_2^{\tilde{\rho}_1(t)}, P_{ij}(t) = \tilde{\rho}_1(t)P_{ij1} + \tilde{\rho}_2(t)P_{ij2}$, in which $0 < \mu_l \le 1, P_{il} > 0, P_{ijl} > 0, l = 1, 2, i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p].$

A sufficient condition is derived in the following theorem by the constructed time-varying MLFs (14) to guarantee the weighted L_2 -gain performance for the closed-loop systems (4).

Theorem 1: Consider the closed-loop systems (4) satisfying (A1). Given scalars $\gamma_1 \ge 1$, $\gamma_2 \ge 1$, $\alpha > 0$, $\beta \ge 0$, nonnegative integer N_0 , and a class $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ of switching time sequences with the ADT τ_a satisfying (7), the closed-loop systems (4) is internally UGES and has a weighted L_2 -gain less than γ over $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$, if for prescribed positive scalars ε_{il} , ε_{ijl} , v_i , v_{ij} , η_{ij} and $\mu_l \in (0, 1]$, there exist matrices \bar{K}_i , \bar{E}_{ij} , S_i , F_{ij} , $X_{il} > 0$, $X_{ijl} > 0$ of appropriate dimensions, and positive scalar γ , such that the following LMIs hold:

$$\Phi_{i1h} \le 0, \quad \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_{i2h} & \mathbb{X}_{i2} \\ * & -\delta_{p,h}X_{i1} \end{bmatrix} \le 0, \tag{15}$$

$$\Phi_{ij1h} \le 0, \quad \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_{ij2h} & \mathbb{X}_{ij2} \\ * & -\delta_{c,h} X_{ij1} \end{bmatrix} \le 0, \tag{16}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\mu_{2}\gamma_{2}X_{ij1} & X_{ij1}\mathcal{I}_{1} + \\ \mathcal{I}_{3}\bar{E}_{ij}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathcal{I}_{2}^{\mathrm{T}} & X_{ij1}\mathcal{I}_{2} - \mathcal{I}_{3}F_{ij}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ \hline & * & -X_{j2} & \eta_{ij}\mathcal{I}_{2}\bar{E}_{ij} \\ & * & * & -\eta_{ij}He\{F_{ij}\} \end{bmatrix} \leq 0,$$
(17)

$$X_{i1} \le \mu_1 \gamma_1 X_{ij2}, \ i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], \ i \ne j, \ l, h = 1, 2,$$
(18)

where

$$\begin{split} \Phi_{ilh} &= \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{ilh} + He\{\mathcal{B}_i\bar{K}_i\mathcal{I}\} \ \mathcal{X}_{il}\mathcal{H}_i^{\mathrm{T}} - \mathcal{I}^{\mathrm{T}}S_i^{\mathrm{T}} + \varepsilon_{il}\mathcal{B}_i\bar{K}_i \\ &* -\varepsilon_{il}He\{S_i\} \end{bmatrix}, \\ \Phi_{ijlh} &= \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{ijlh} + He\{\mathcal{B}_j\bar{K}_i\mathcal{I}\} \ \mathcal{X}_{ijl}\mathcal{H}_j^{\mathrm{T}} - \mathcal{I}^{\mathrm{T}}S_i^{\mathrm{T}} + \varepsilon_{ijl}\mathcal{B}_j\bar{K}_i \\ &* -\varepsilon_{ijl}He\{S_i\} \end{bmatrix}, \end{split}$$

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$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{ilh} &= \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{ilh} & \tilde{H}_{1,i} & X_{il}\tilde{C}_{1,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\boldsymbol{\theta}\gamma I_{n_w} & \tilde{H}_{2,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix}, \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{ijlh} &= \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{ijlh} & \tilde{H}_{1,j} & X_{ijl}\tilde{C}_{1,j}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\boldsymbol{\theta}\gamma I_{n_w} & \tilde{H}_{2,j}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix}, \end{split}$$

and $\Omega_{i1h} = (\frac{\ln\mu_1 + 1 - 2v_i}{\delta_{p,h}} + \alpha)X_{i1} + \frac{v_i^2}{\delta_{p,h}}X_{i2} + He\{\tilde{A}_iX_{i1}\},$ $\Omega_{i2h} = (\frac{\ln\mu_1 - 1}{\delta_{p,h}} + \alpha)X_{i2} + He\{\tilde{A}_iX_{i2}\}, \ \Omega_{ij1h} = (\frac{\ln\mu_2 + 1 - 2v_{ij}}{\delta_{c,h}} - \beta)X_{ij1} + \frac{v_{ij}^2}{\delta_{c,h}}X_{ij2} + He\{\tilde{A}_jX_{ij1}\}, \ \Omega_{ij2h} = (\frac{\ln\mu_2 - 1}{\delta_{c,h}} - \beta)X_{ij2} + He\{\tilde{A}_jX_{ij2}\}, \ \mathcal{B}_i = [\tilde{B}_{1,i}^T \ 0 \ \tilde{B}_{2,i}^T]^T, \ \mathcal{I} = [I_{n+q} \ \tilde{I}],$ $\mathcal{I}_1 = \text{diag}\{I_n \ 0_n\}, \ \mathcal{I}_2 = [0_n \ I_n]^T, \ \mathcal{I}_3 = [I_n \ I_n]^T,$ $\mathcal{X}_{il} = \text{diag}\{X_{il}, I_{n_w}, I_p\}, \ \mathcal{X}_{ijl} = \text{diag}\{X_{ijl}, I_{n_w}, I_p\}, \ X_{i2} = [X_{i2}, 0]^T, \ \mathcal{H}_i = [\tilde{C}_{2,i} \ \tilde{H}_{3,i} \ 0], \ \theta = \mu_0 e^{-N_0(\ln(\gamma_1\gamma_2) + \delta_{c_2}(\alpha + \beta)) + \frac{\delta_{c_1}\ln\gamma_2}{\tau_a}}, \ \mu_0 = \min\{\mu_1, \mu_2\}, \ \tilde{I} = I_{(n+q)\times(n+n_w+p-q)}.$ Furthermore, the gain matrices and reset matrices are presented as follows:

$$K_{c,i} = \bar{K}_i S_i^{-1}, \ E_{ij} = \bar{E}_{ij} F_{ij}^{-1}, \ i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], \ i \neq j.$$

Proof: Before the next processing, set $P_{il} = X_{il}^{-1}$, $P_{ijl} = X_{ijl}^{-1}$, $i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p]$, $i \neq j$, l = 1, 2. If the left inequality of (15) holds, it follows by Lemma 2 that

$$\Sigma_{i1h} + He\{\mathcal{B}_i K_{c,i} \mathcal{H}_i \mathcal{X}_{i1}\} \leq 0,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\Omega}_{i1h} & B_{i,i} & X_{i1}C_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\theta\gamma I_{n_w} & D_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix} \leq 0,$$
(19)

where $\tilde{\Omega}_{i1h} = \Omega_{i1h} + He\{A_{i,i}X_{i1}\} - He\{\tilde{A}_iX_{i1}\}$. By Lemma 3, it follows from (19) that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\Omega}_{i1h} & B_{i,i} & X_{i1}C_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\theta\gamma I_{n_w} & D_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix} \leq 0,$$
(20)

where $\bar{\Omega}_{i1h} = (\frac{\ln \mu_1 + 1}{\delta_{p,h}} + \alpha) X_{i1} - \frac{1}{\delta_{p,h}} X_{i1} P_{i2} X_{i1} + He\{A_{i,i} X_{i1}\}.$ Pre-multiplying and Post-multiplying matrix diag $\{P_{i1}\}$,

 I_{n_w} , I_p on both sides of inequality (20), we have

$$\Xi_{i1h} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\Omega}_{i1h} & P_{i1}B_{i,i} & C_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\theta\gamma I_{n_w} & D_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix} \le 0,$$
(21)

where $\hat{\Omega}_{i1h} = (\frac{\ln \mu_i}{\delta_{p,h}} + \alpha)P_{i1} + \frac{1}{\delta_{p,h}}(P_{i1} - P_{i2}) + He\{P_{i1}A_{i,i}\}.$

Let $\Im = [I_{2n} \ 0_{2n \times n_w} \ 0_{2n \times p}]$. Applying Schur complement and Lemma 2 for the right inequality of (15), we have

$$\Sigma_{i2h} + \frac{1}{\delta_{p,h}} \mathfrak{I}^{\mathrm{T}} X_{i2} P_{i1} X_{i2} \mathfrak{I} + He\{\mathcal{B}_{i} K_{c,i} \mathcal{H}_{i} \mathcal{X}_{i2}\} \leq 0,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\Omega}_{i2h} & B_{i,i} & X_{i2}C_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\theta\gamma I_{n_w} & D_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix} \leq 0,$$
(22)

where $\tilde{\Omega}_{i2h} = (\frac{\ln \mu_1 - 1}{\delta_{p,h}} + \alpha)X_{i2} + \frac{1}{\delta_{p,h}}X_{i2}P_{i1}X_{i2} + He\{A_{i,i}X_{i2}\}.$ Multiplying matrix diag $\{P_{i2}, I_{n_w}, I_p\}$ to the right and left of the inequality (22), we obtain

$$\Xi_{i2h} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\Omega}_{i2h} & P_{i2}B_{i,i} & C_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\theta\gamma I_{n_w} & D_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix} \le 0,$$
(23)

where $\hat{\Omega}_{i2h} = (\frac{\ln \mu_1}{\delta_{p,h}} + \alpha)P_{i2} + \frac{1}{\delta_{p,h}}(P_{i1} - P_{i2}) + He\{P_{i2}A_{i,i}\}.$ Analogous to the inequalities (21) and (23) derived

from (15), the following inequality can be derived from the inequalities (16),

$$\Xi_{ijlh} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\Omega}_{ijlh} & P_{ijl}B_{j,i} & C_{j,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\theta\gamma I_{n_w} & D_{j,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix} \le 0,$$
(24)

where $\hat{\Omega}_{ijlh} = (\frac{\ln \mu_2}{\delta_{c,h}} - \beta)P_{ijl} + \frac{1}{\delta_{c,h}}(P_{ij1} - P_{ij2}) + He\{P_{ijl}A_{j,i}\}.$

According to the convex combination technique, the following inequalities are easy to be obtained from (21) and (23),

$$\Xi_{i}(t) = \sum_{l,h=1}^{2} \rho_{l}(t) \rho_{1h}(t) \Xi_{ilh} \le 0, \quad i \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_{p}].$$

Then, we have

$$\Xi_{i}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \Psi_{i}(t) & P_{i}(t)B_{i,i} & C_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\theta\gamma I_{n_{w}} & D_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_{p} \end{bmatrix} \leq 0,$$
(25)

where $\Psi_i(t) = (\bar{\rho}_1(t) \ln \mu_1 + \alpha) P_i(t) + \bar{\rho}_1(t) (P_{i1} - P_{i2}) + He\{P_i(t)A_{i,i}\}$. Using Schur complement, we can conclude that (25) is equivalent to

$$\tilde{\Xi}_{i}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \Psi_{i}(t) & P_{i}(t)B_{i,i} \\ * & -\theta\gamma I_{n_{w}} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{\gamma} \begin{bmatrix} C_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ D_{i,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_{i,i} & D_{i,i} \end{bmatrix} \leq 0.$$
(26)

Moreover, it is easy to obtain from inequality (24) that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Psi_{ij}(t) & P_{ij}(t)B_{j,i} \\ * & -\theta\gamma I_{n_w} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{\gamma} \begin{bmatrix} C_{j,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ D_{j,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_{j,i} D_{j,i} \end{bmatrix} \le 0, \quad (27)$$

where $\Psi_{ij}(t) = (\bar{\rho}_2(t) \ln \mu_2 - \beta) P_{ij}(t) + \bar{\rho}_2(t) (P_{ij1} - P_{ij2}) + He\{P_{ij}(t)A_{j,i}\}.$

In addition, it means from inequality (17) combined with Lemma 2 that

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\mu_2 \gamma_2 X_{ij1} & X_{ij1} \tilde{E}_{ij}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -X_{j2} \end{bmatrix} \le 0, \quad i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], \ i \neq j.$$
(28)

Pre-multiplying and Post-multiplying diag $\{P_{ij1}, P_{j2}\}$ on both sides of inequality (28), and using Schur complement, we can derive the following matrix inequalities,

$$\tilde{E}_{ij}^{\mathrm{T}} P_{j2} \tilde{E}_{ij} \le \mu_2 \gamma_2 P_{ij1}, \quad i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], \ i \ne j.$$

Furthermore, the following inequalities can be derived from inequality (18),

$$P_{ij2} \le \mu_1 \gamma_1 P_{i1}, \quad i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], \ i \ne j.$$
 (30)

Let $V_i(t) = V_i(t,x(t))$, $V_{ij}(t) = V_{ij}(t,x(t))$ and $\xi(t) = [x^{\mathrm{T}}(t) w^{\mathrm{T}}(t)]^{\mathrm{T}}$, where $V_i(t,x(t))$ and $V_{ij}(t,x(t))$ are defined in (14). For $t \in [t_{k-1}^c, t_k)$, taking the derivative of $V_i(t)$ along the trajectory of the closed-loop systems (4), we have

$$\begin{split} \dot{V}_i(t) + \alpha V_i(t) + \varphi_1(t) (\frac{1}{\gamma} z^{\mathrm{T}}(t) z(t) - \theta \gamma w^{\mathrm{T}}(t) w(t)) \\ = \varphi_1(t) \xi^{\mathrm{T}}(t) \tilde{\Xi}_i(t) \xi(t). \end{split}$$

It is easy to derive from (26) that

$$\dot{V}_i(t) \leq -\alpha V_i(t) - \varphi_1(t) (\frac{1}{\gamma} z^{\mathrm{T}}(t) z(t) - \theta \gamma w^{\mathrm{T}}(t) w(t)),$$

which satisfies the condition (5) of Lemma 1.

In the following, we take the derivative of $V_{ij}(t)$ along the trajectory of the closed-loop systems (4) for $t \in [t_k, t_k^c)$. It implies from inequality (27) that

$$\dot{V}_{ij}(t) \leq \beta V_{ij}(t) - \varphi_2(t) (\frac{1}{\gamma} z^{\mathrm{T}}(t) z(t) - \theta \gamma w^{\mathrm{T}}(t) w(t)),$$

which, obviously, satisfies the condition (5) of Lemma 1.

On the other hand, by the properties (10) and (12) of the auxiliary functions, the following inequalities are derived from inequalities (29) and (30),

$$V_{ij}(t_k) \leq \gamma_1 V_i(t_k^-), \quad V_i(t_k^c) \leq \gamma_2 V_{ij}(t_k^{c-}),$$

which satisfies the condition (6) of Lemma 1.

Hence, all the conditions of Lemma 1 are satisfied. Namely, the closed-loop systems (4) is internally UGES and has a weighted L_2 -gain less than γ over $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$. \Box

Note that the control synthesis conditions presented in Theorem 1 are with a form of LMIs, as opposite to the form of bilinear matrix inequalities in the existing results such as [22, 23]. Meanwhile, a time-varying multiple Lyapunov-like-function approach is employed in the present work such that the control synthesis conditions are established dependent on the upper and lower bounds of the switching interval. Therefore, more precise control synthesis conditions are obtained for different switching signals, which helps to reduce the conservativeness of the results.

Remark 2: Note that the above result is based on modeindependent ADT, where all subsystems have a uniform maximum, minimum and average dwell time. It is also possible to investigate the switching signal $\sigma(t)$ by following the mode-dependent ADT approach such as [6], where each subsystem has its own allowable maximum, minimum and average dwell time, expressed as τ_{i2} , τ_{i1} and τ_{ia} , $i \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p]$, respectively. Extension of the present work to model-dependent ADT deserves separate studies in the future.

Remark 3: The LMIs of (15), (16) and (17)-(18) are the control synthesis conditions when the controller matches the subsystem, when the controller does not match the subsystem, and at the switching instant, respectively. Note that we assume that $(A_i, B_{1,i}, C_{2,i})$ is stabilizable and detectable. Thus, there exists a set of parameters (\bar{K}_i, S_i, X_{il}) such that the conditions (15) are solvable. Moreover, we can ensure that the conditions (16) and (17)-(18) hold by choosing β , γ_1 and γ_2 sufficiently large.

It is interesting to consider a special case of Theorem 1, where the time-varying MLFs (14) is reconstructed as a time-invariant MLFs as follows:

$$\begin{cases} V_i(x(t)) = x^{\mathrm{T}}(t)P_ix(t), & t \in [t_{k-1}^c, t_k), \\ V_{ij}(x(t)) = x^{\mathrm{T}}(t)P_{ij}x(t), & t \in [t_k, t_k^c), \end{cases}$$

where $P_i > 0$, $P_{ij} > 0$, $i, j \in [1, N_p]$, $i \neq j$. Let $X_i = P_i^{-1}$, $X_{ij} = P_{ij}^{-1}$, $i, j \in [1, N_p]$, $i \neq j$. Then, we can obtain the following corollary for the closed-loop systems (4).

Corollary 1: Consider the closed-loop systems (4) satisfying (A1). Given scalars $\gamma_1 \ge 1$, $\gamma_2 \ge 1$, $\alpha > 0$, $\beta \ge 0$, nonnegative integer N_0 , and a class of switching signal $\sigma(t)$ with the ADT τ_a satisfying (7), the closed-loop systems (4) is internally UGES and has a weighted L_2 -gain less than γ , if for prescribed positive scalars ε_i , ε_{ij} , and η_{ij} , there exist matrices \bar{K}_i , \bar{E}_{ij} , S_i , F_{ij} , $X_i > 0$, $X_{ij} > 0$ of appropriate dimensions, and positive scalar γ , such that the following LMIs hold:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_i + He\{\mathcal{B}_i\bar{K}_i\mathcal{I}\} & \mathcal{X}_i\mathcal{H}_i^{\mathsf{T}} - \mathcal{I}^{\mathsf{T}}S_i^{\mathsf{T}} + \varepsilon_i\mathcal{B}_i\bar{K}_i \\ * & -\varepsilon_iHe\{S_i\} \end{bmatrix} \leq 0, \\ \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{ij} + He\{\mathcal{B}_j\bar{K}_i\mathcal{I}\} & \mathcal{X}_{ij}\mathcal{H}_j^{\mathsf{T}} - \mathcal{I}^{\mathsf{T}}S_i^{\mathsf{T}} + \varepsilon_{ij}\mathcal{B}_j\bar{K}_i \\ * & -\varepsilon_{ij}He\{S_i\} \end{bmatrix} \leq 0, \\ \begin{bmatrix} -\gamma_2 X_{ij} & X_{ij}\mathcal{I}_1 + \mathcal{I}_3\bar{E}_{ij}\mathcal{I}_2^{\mathsf{T}} & X_{ij}\mathcal{I}_2 - \mathcal{I}_3F_{ij}^{\mathsf{T}} \\ * & -X_j & \eta_{ij}\mathcal{I}_2\bar{E}_{ij} \\ * & * & -\eta_{ij}He\{F_{ij}\} \end{bmatrix} \leq 0, \\ X_i \leq \gamma_1 X_{ij}, \quad i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], i \neq j, \end{cases}$$

where

$$\begin{split} \Sigma_i &= \begin{bmatrix} \Omega_i & \tilde{H}_{1,i} & X_i \tilde{C}_{1,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\bar{\theta} \gamma I_{n_w} & \tilde{H}_{2,i}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix}, \\ \Sigma_{ij} &= \begin{bmatrix} \Omega_{ij} & \tilde{H}_{1,j} & X_{ij} \tilde{C}_{1,j}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & -\bar{\theta} \gamma I_{n_w} & \tilde{H}_{2,j}^{\mathrm{T}} \\ * & * & -\gamma I_p \end{bmatrix}, \end{split}$$

and $\Omega_i = \alpha X_i + He\{\tilde{A}_i X_i\}, \ \Omega_{ij} = -\beta X_{ij} + He\{\tilde{A}_j X_{ij}\}, \ \mathcal{X}_i = \text{diag}\{X_i, I_{n_w}, I_p\}, \ \tilde{\theta} = \frac{\theta}{\mu_0}. \ \mathcal{B}_i, \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I}_1, \mathcal{I}_2, \mathcal{I}_3, \text{ and } \mathcal{H}_i \text{ are defined as Theorem 1. Furthermore, the gain matrices and reset matrices are presented as follows:$

$$K_{c,i} = \bar{K}_i S_i^{-1}, \quad E_{ij} = \bar{E}_{ij} F_{ij}^{-1}, \quad i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], \ i \neq j.$$

The proof of Corollary 1 is similar to the proof of Theorem 1, and thus omitted here.

Based on the above analysis, we establish the control synthesis conditions in Theorem 1 and Corollary 1, which guarantee the switched linear systems (1) to achieve a weighted L_2 -gain less than γ under the asynchronous switching controller (2). The control synthesis problem is reduced to an LMIs optimization problem to obtain the minimum γ . For given scalars α , β , γ_1 and γ_2 , the LMIs optimization problem is expressed as follows:

Minimize
$$\gamma$$
,
subject to (15) – (18). (31)

4. NUMERICAL EXAMPLES

We consider the following two examples to demonstrate the effectiveness of our theoretical results.

Example 1: Consider the continuous-time switched linear systems (1) with $N_p = 2$, where the system matrices are given as follows

$$\begin{split} A_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} -0.2274 & -0.0594 & 0.53 \\ -0.2667 & -0.883 & 0.081 \\ 0.133 & -0.74 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ A_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} -0.1135 & 0.3756 & -0.21 \\ 0.6404 & -0.2835 & 0.33 \\ 0.1 & -0.344 & -0.1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ H_{1,1} &= -[0.4396 & 0.6347 & 0.1]^{\mathrm{T}}, \quad H_{2,1} = H_{2,2} = 0, \\ H_{1,2} &= [0.0813 & 0.6236 & 0.1]^{\mathrm{T}}, \quad H_{3,1} = H_{3,2} = 0.01, \\ C_{1,1} &= [0.01 & 0.06 & 0.02], \quad B_{1,2} = -[0.886 & 1.725 & 2.5]^{\mathrm{T}} \\ C_{2,1} &= [-0.05 & 0.02 & 0.05], \quad C_{1,2} = [0.01 & 0.02 & 0.05], \\ B_{1,1} &= -[1.8555 & 1.204 & 2.2]^{\mathrm{T}}, \quad B_{2,1} = B_{2,2} = 0.1, \\ C_{2,2} &= [-0.08 & 0.15 & -0.01]. \end{split}$$

The disturbance input w(t) is considered as follows:

$$w(t) = \begin{cases} 0.5, & t \in [2.9, 6]s, \\ -2, & t \in [10, 10.5]s, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to verify from Fig. 1 that the two subsystems of the open-loop systems (1) are unstable. In the following, we design a dynamic output-feedback switching controller with controller state reset to achieve the weighted L_2 -gain performance of the closed-loop systems.



Fig. 1. The state trajectories of open-loop system.

Table 1. The weighted L_2 -gain γ for different choices of α , β , μ_1 , $\delta_{p,1}$ and $\delta_{p,2}$.

α	β	μ_1	$\delta_{p,1}$	$\delta_{p,2}$	$ au_a^*$	γ
1.0	0.1	0.737	0.2	0.2630	0.2828	5.1990
1.0	0.2	0.735	0.2	0.2650	0.2848	9.4938
1.0	0.3	0.733	0.2	0.2669	0.2868	44.0420
1.5	0.1	0.761	0.1	0.1754	0.1952	0.7137
1.5	0.2	0.760	0.1	0.1767	0.1965	0.7473
1.5	0.3	0.758	0.1	0.1781	0.1979	0.7946
2.0	0.1	0.769	0.1	0.1316	0.1514	0.5593
2.0	0.2	0.767	0.1	0.1326	0.1524	0.5838
2.0	0.3	0.766	0.1	0.1336	0.1534	0.6104

We fix parameters $\gamma_1 = 1.18$, $\gamma_2 = 1.1$, $\mu_2 = 1$ and $\varepsilon_{il} = 1$, $\varepsilon_{ijl} = 1$, $v_{ij} = 1$, $v_i = 1$, $\eta_{ij} = 1$, $i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], i \neq j$, l = 1, 2. Moreover, we select the maximum and minimum values of asynchronous delays as $\delta_{c,2} = 0.02$ and $\delta_{c,1} = 0.01$, respectively. By solving the optimization problem (31), we obtain the minimum value of γ for different choices of $(\alpha, \beta, \mu_1, \delta_{p,1}, \delta_{p,2})$ as listed in Table 1. We can see that the value of γ decreases as the value of α increases, and increases with the increase of the value of β .

For simulation studies, we choose the parameters $\alpha = 2$, $\beta = 0.1$, $\mu_1 = 0.764$, $\delta_{p,1} = 0.1$ and $\delta_{p,2} = 0.135$ to verify the validity of the theoretical results. Solving the optimization problem (31) with the above given parameters, we obtain that the minimum value of γ is 1.1417.

We design the switching time signals $\sigma(t)$ and $\bar{\sigma}(t)$ to guarantee the ADT τ_a satisfying $\tau_a^* = 0.1514 \le \tau_a \le 0.1550 = \delta_{c,2} + \delta_{p,2}$. The designed switching time signals $\sigma(t)$ and $\bar{\sigma}(t)$ are displayed in Fig. 2. The time evolution curves of the control input u(t) and the controlled output z(t) are shown in Fig. 3. It illustrates from Fig. 3 that the designed switching controller (2) guarantee the closed-loop systems (4) achieving the weighted L_2 -gain less than



Fig. 2. The switching signal $\sigma(t)$ and $\bar{\sigma}(t)$.



Fig. 3. The time response curves of the control input u(t) and the controlled output z(t) under the designed switching signal.

1.1417 under asynchronous switching with maximum delay 0.02s.

For the purpose of comparison with [22, 23], we consider the following numerical example to demonstrate the

Table 2.	The weighted L_2 -gain γ and the minimum ADT
	τ_a^* for different choices of $(\alpha, \mu_1, \delta_{p,2})$.

α	μ_1	$\delta_{p,2}$	γ	$ au_a^*$
0.10	0.34	3.0	6.6271	2.6482
0.25	0.31	1.5	1.4675	1.0713
0.50	0.35	0.6	0.1825	0.5456
0.75	0.38	0.5	0.1427	0.3704
1.00	0.44	0.4	0.1020	0.2828
1.50	0.55	0.3	0.0782	0.1952
2.00	0.76	0.2	0.0550	0.1514

effectiveness of the main results in this paper.

Example 2: Consider the continuous-time switched linear systems (1) with the following system matrices

$$\begin{split} A_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} -9 & 0.2 \\ 0.3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \\ H_{1,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} -0.4 & -0.1 \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}}, \quad C_{1,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C_{1,2} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ H_{1,2} &= \begin{bmatrix} -0.1 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}}, \quad C_{2,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C_{2,2} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ B_{1,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}}, \quad B_{1,2} &= \begin{bmatrix} -0.1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}}, \\ H_{2,1} &= H_{2,2} &= 0, \quad B_{2,1} &= B_{2,2} &= 0.1, \\ H_{3,1} &= H_{3,2} &= 0.01. \end{split}$$

The disturbance input w(t) is considered as follows:

$$w(t) = \begin{cases} 0.5, & t \in [2.9, 6]s, \\ -1, & t \in [10, 10.5]s, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

In the following, a dynamic output-feedback switching controller with controller state reset is designed to achieve the weighted L_2 -gain performance of the closed-loop systems.

The parameters γ_l , μ_2 , $\delta_{c,1}$, $\delta_{c,2}$ and ε_{il} , ε_{ijl} , v_{ij} , v_i , η_{ij} , $i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p]$, $i \neq j$, l = 1, 2 are given as Example 1. Without loss of generality, we choose $\beta = 0.1$ and $\delta_{p,1} = 0.1$. By solving the optimization problem (31), we obtain the minimum value of γ and the minimum ADT τ_a^* for different choices of $(\alpha, \mu_1, \delta_{p,2})$ as presented in Table 2.

For comparison purposes, we establish the control synthesis conditions of the closed-loop systems by the method in [22, 23]. Based on the algorithm provided in [22, 23], the minimum ADT $\bar{\tau}_a^*$ for different choices of (α, γ) can be obtained by solving the established control synthesis conditions, as shown in Table 3. It is easy to see from Table 2 and 3 that a smaller minimum ADT can be obtained by the proposed method in the present paper when the same weighted L_2 -gain performance is achieved. Therefore, the proposed method is less conservative than the results proposed in [22, 23].

For simulation studies, we choose the parameters $\alpha = 1$, $\mu_1 = 0.44$, and $\delta_{p,2} = 0.4$ to illustrate the effectiveness



(a) The switching signals of the plant and the controller with the method proposed in this paper.



(b) The switching signals of the plant and the controller with the method in [22, 23].

Fig. 4. The switching signals of the plant and the controller.

Table 3. The minimum ADT $\bar{\tau}_a^*$ for different choices of (α, γ) .

α	γ	β	γ_1	γ_2	$ar{ au}^*_a$
0.10	6.6271	4.5200	1.5207	1.0054	5.1694
0.25	1.4675	13.7961	1.6693	1.0046	3.1914
0.50	0.1825	7.0088	2.5013	1.0190	2.1716
0.75	0.1427	9.8454	3.6924	1.0104	2.0380
1.00	0.1020	73.1115	2.4587	1.0141	2.3959
1.50	0.0782	87.4341	55.9393	1.1408	3.9564
2.00	0.0550	237.2338	31.6316	1.0576	4.1476

of the theoretical results. We obtain from Table 2 that the minimum value of γ and the minimum ADT τ_a^* are $\gamma = 0.1020$ and $\tau_a^* = 0.2828$, respectively.

Here, we design the switching signal $\sigma(t)$ of the plant to guarantee the ADT τ_a satisfying $\tau_a^* = 0.2828 \le \tau_a \le$



Fig. 5. The time response curves of the control input u(t) and the controlled output z(t).

 $0.42 = \delta_{c,2} + \delta_{p,2}$, and design the switching signal $\bar{\sigma}(t)$ of the controller to satisfy $0.01 \le \Delta_k \le 0.02$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$. In addition, the switching signals $\sigma(t)$ and $\bar{\sigma}(t)$ for the method in [22, 23] are also designed to satisfy $\tau_a^* = 2.3959 \le \tau_a$ and $0.01 \le \Delta_k \le 0.02, k \in \mathbb{N}$. The designed switching signals are shown in Fig. 4. The time evolution curves of the control input u(t) and the controlled output z(t) are shown in Fig. 5. In Fig. 5, it should be noted that the blue lines represent the time evolution curves obtained by the method proposed in this paper, and the red lines indicate the time evolution curves obtained by the method in [22, 23]. It can be seen from Fig. 5 that the controller designed with all the methods can achieve the weighted L_2 -gain less than 0.1020 under asynchronous switching with maximum delay 0.02s, where the method proposed in this paper has a smaller ADT τ_a .

5. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, the asynchronous switching problem for continuous-time switched linear systems via dynamic output feedback control has been solved. Based on the convex combination technique, a time-varying MLFs was constructed to establish the control synthesis conditions for the closed-loop systems. It is worth noting that the derived conditions are related to the upper and lower bounds of asynchronous delays. Moreover, the upper and lower bounds of asynchronous delays can be estimated by solving the feasibility of LMIs (15)-(18). Finally, two numerical examples are provided to demonstrate the feasibility of our proposed method.

APPENDIX A

A.1. The proof of Lemma 1

First, let $V_i(t) = V_i(t, x(t))$ and $V_{ij}(t) = V_{ij}(t, x(t))$. Note that $\mu_0 < \varphi(t) \le 1$, $\forall t \in [t_0, \infty)$. For $t \in [t_{k-1}^c, t_k)$, we can obtain from inequalities (5) and (6) that

$$V_{i}(t) \leq V_{i}(t_{k-1}^{c}) e^{-\alpha(t-t_{k-1})+\alpha \bigtriangleup_{k-1}} - \int_{t_{k-1}^{c}}^{t} e^{-\alpha(t-s)} \Gamma(s) ds$$

$$\leq \gamma_{2} V_{ij}(t_{k-1}^{c-}) e^{-\alpha(t-t_{k-1})+\alpha \bigtriangleup_{k-1}} - \int_{t_{k-1}^{c}}^{t} e^{-\alpha(t-s)} \Gamma(s) ds$$

$$\leq V_{\sigma}(t_{0}) e^{-\alpha(t-t_{0})+\Pi(t_{0},t)} - \int_{t_{0}}^{t} e^{-\alpha(t-s)+\Pi(s,t)} \Gamma'(s) ds,$$

(A.1)

where $\Pi(s,t) = (\alpha + \beta)T_{\uparrow}(s,t) + N_{\sigma}(s,t)\ln\gamma_1 + N_{\sigma}(s,t)\ln\gamma_2, \Gamma'(t) = \frac{\mu_0}{\gamma}z^{\mathrm{T}}(t)z(t) - \theta\gamma w^{\mathrm{T}}(t)w(t).$

Next, we multiply on both sides of (A.1) by $e^{-\Pi(t_0,t)}$ to obtain

$$e^{-\Pi(t_0,t)}V_i(t) \leq V_{\sigma}(t_0)e^{\alpha(t_0-t)} - \int_{t_0}^{t} e^{-\alpha(t-s)-\Pi(t_0,s)}\Gamma'(s)ds.$$

Similarly, for $t \in [t_k, t_k^c)$, we have

$$e^{-\Pi(t_0,t)}V_{ij}(t) \leq V_{\sigma}(t_0)e^{\alpha(t_0-t)} - \int_{t_0}^{t} e^{-\alpha(t-s)-\Pi(t_0,s)}\Gamma'(s)ds.$$

It is noted that $V_i(t) > 0$, $V_{ij}(t) > 0$ and $V_{\sigma}(t_0) = 0$. Then, for $\forall t > t_0$, we have

$$\int_{t_0}^t e^{-\alpha(t-s)} [e^{-\Pi(t_0,s)} z^{\mathrm{T}}(s) z(s) - \frac{\theta \gamma^2}{\mu_0} w^{\mathrm{T}}(s) w(s)] ds \leq 0.$$

In addition, there is a fact that $T_{\uparrow}(t_0, s) \leq N_{\sigma}(t_0, s) \delta_{c,2}$ and $N_{\bar{\sigma}}(t_0, s) \leq N_{\sigma}(t_0, s - \delta_{c,1})$. We choose a positive constant α_0 satisfying $\alpha_0 < \alpha$ such that the following inequality holds:

$$\Pi(t_0,s) \leq \ln \mu_0 - \ln \theta + \alpha_0(s-t_0).$$

Then we can consider the ADT τ_a taking value as (7). Thus, we have

$$\int_{t_0}^t e^{\alpha(s-t)-\alpha_0(s-t_0)} z^{\mathrm{T}}(s) z(s) ds \leq \int_{t_0}^t \gamma^2 e^{\alpha(s-t)} w^{\mathrm{T}}(s) w(s) ds.$$

We integrate on both sides of the above inequality from $t = t_0$ to ∞ to get

$$\int_{t_0}^{\infty} e^{-\alpha_0(s-t_0)} z^{\mathrm{T}}(s) z(s) ds \leq \gamma^2 \int_{t_0}^{\infty} w^{\mathrm{T}}(s) w(s) ds.$$

Thus, the closed-loop systems (4) can achieve a weighted L_2 -gain less than γ over $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ under the zero initial condition.

In what follows, we prove that the closed-loop systems (4) with w(t) = 0 is UGES over $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$. First, let $\sigma(t_0) = i_0, i_0 \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], \lambda_0 = \max\{\lambda_{\max}(P_{i_0l}), l = 1, 2\}, \lambda_1 = \min\{\lambda_{\min}(P_{il}), \lambda_{\min}(P_{ijl}), i, j \in \mathbf{I}[1, N_p], l = 1, 2\}$. Let $x(t) \triangleq x(t, t_0, x(t_0))$ be the solution of the closed-loop systems (4) with w(t) = 0 through $(t_0, x(t_0))$. For $t \in [t_{k-1}^c, t_k), k \in \mathbb{N}$, by virtue of (A.1), we have

$$V_i(t) \le V_{i_0}(t_0) \mathrm{e}^{-lpha(t-t_0) + \Pi(t_0,t)}, \quad i \in \mathbf{I}[1,N_p].$$

In the same way, for $t \in [t_k, t_k^c), k \in \mathbb{N}$, we obtain

$$V_{ij}(t) \le V_{i_0}(t_0) e^{-\alpha(t-t_0)+\Pi(t_0,t)}, \quad i,j \in \mathbf{I}[1,N_p], \ i \ne j.$$

Hence, for $t \in [t_k, t_{k+1})$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, one has

$$||x(t)||^2 \le \mathcal{K}^2 ||x(t_0)||^2 e^{-(\alpha - \alpha_0)(t - t_0)},$$

where $\mathcal{K} = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_0}{\lambda_1 \theta}}$. It indicates that

$$|x(t)|| \le \mathcal{K} ||x(t_0)|| e^{-\frac{(\alpha-\alpha_0)}{2}(t-t_0)}, \ t \ge t_0.$$

Thus, the closed-loop systems (4) with w(t) = 0 is UGES over $S(\delta_1, \delta_2)$.

A.2. The proof of Lemma 2

Multiplying the matrix $[I_n BK]$ and its transpose to the left and right sides of inequality (8), respectively, we have $E + BKX + (BKX)^T \le 0$. Thus, inequality (9) can be derived from inequality (8).

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