

# Finite-time chaos synchronization of the delay Lorenz system with disturbance via a single controller

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**Abstract.** This paper deals with the finite-time chaos synchronization of the delay Lorenz system with disturbance via a single controller. Based on the finite-time stability theory, a control law is proposed to realize finite-time chaos synchronization of delay Lorenz system with disturbance. Finally, numerical simulation results are given to demonstrate the effectiveness and robustness of the proposed scheme.

**Keywords:** Finite-time chaos synchronization; delay Lorenz system; disturbance

## 1. Introduction

Chaos synchronization has attracted much attention of many researches since the seminal work of Pecora and Carroll [1]. From then on, chaos synchronization has been developed extensively and intensively due to its potential application in many fields, such as secure communication [2, 3], complex networks [4-7], biotic science [8-13] and so on [14-26].

Nowadays, most of the results about chaos control and synchronization are derived based on the asymptotic stability of the chaotic systems. In fact, it is more valuable to control or synchronize chaotic systems as fast as possible. To obtain faster convergence, the finite-time control approach is an effective technique. Moreover, the finite-time techniques have demonstrated better robustness and disturbance rejection properties than that of asymptotic methods [27-37]. Therefore, the finite-time chaos control and synchronization have attracted a great deal of attention over the last few decades.

On the other hand, it is difficult to know the external disturbance always occurs in the system. Thus, the chaos control and synchronization of chaotic system in the presence of external disturbance are effectively crucial in practical applications.

In this paper, we present a controller to realize finite-time synchronization of delay Lorenz system with disturbance. The controller is robust and simple to be constructed. Numerical simulations are presented to demonstrate the effectiveness and robustness of the proposed scheme.

## 2. Preliminary definitions and lemmas

Finite-time synchronization means that the state of the slave system can track the state of the master system after in finite-time. The precise definition of finite-time synchronization is given as below.

**Definition 1.** Consider the following two chaotic systems:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_m &= f(x_m), \\ \dot{x}_s &= h(x_m, x_s),\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

where  $x_m, x_s$  are two  $n$ -dimensional state vectors. The subscripts ‘ $m$ ’ and ‘ $s$ ’ stand for the master and slave systems, respectively.  $f: R^n \rightarrow R^n$  and  $h: R^n \rightarrow R^n$  are vector-valued functions. If there exists a constant  $T > 0$ , such that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow T} \|x_m - x_s\| = 0,$$

and

$$\|x_m - x_s\| \equiv 0, \text{ if } t \geq T,$$

then synchronization of the system (1) is achieved in a finite-time.

**Lemma 1** [32]. Assume that a continuous, positive-definite function  $V(t)$  satisfies differential inequality

$$\dot{V}(t) \leq -cV^\eta(t), \forall t \geq t_0, V(t_0) \geq 0, \tag{2}$$

where  $c > 0, 0 < \eta < 1$  are constants, then, for any given  $t_0, V(t)$  satisfies inequality

$$V^{1-\eta}(t) \leq V^{1-\eta}(t_0) - c(1-\eta)(t-t_0), t_0 \leq t \leq t_1, \tag{3}$$

and

$$V(t) \equiv 0, \forall t \geq t_1, \tag{4}$$

with  $t_1$  given by

$$t_1 = t_0 + \frac{V^{1-\eta}(t_0)}{c(1-\eta)}. \tag{5}$$

**Proof.** Consider differential equation

$$\dot{X}(t) = -cX^\eta(t), X(t_0) = V(t_0), \tag{6}$$

although differential equation (6) does not satisfy the global Lipschitz condition, the unique solution of Eq.(6) can be found as

$$X^{1-\eta}(t) = X^{1-\eta}(t_0) - c(1-\eta)(t-t_0). \tag{7}$$

Therefore, from the comparison Lemma, one obtains

$$V^{1-\eta}(t) \leq V^{1-\eta}(t_0) - c(1-\eta)(t-t_0), t_0 \leq t \leq t_1, \tag{8}$$

and

$$V(t) \equiv 0, \forall t \geq t_1.$$

with  $t_1$  given in (5).

**Lemma 2** [34]. If  $\alpha > (\frac{2}{3})^{\frac{2}{3}}$ , it can be gotten that

$$(\alpha|x_1| + \frac{1}{2}x_2^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} + x_1x_2 \geq 0, \tag{9}$$

where  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are any real numbers .

**Corollary 1** [34]. If  $\alpha > (\frac{2}{3})^{\frac{2}{3}}$ , it can be obtained that

$$|x_1x_2| \leq (\alpha|x_1| + \frac{1}{2}x_2^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}, \tag{10}$$

where  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are any real numbers .

### 3. Main results

A chaotic system is extremely sensitive to disturbance. In actual situation, the system is disturbed and cannot be exactly predicted. These uncertainties will destroy the synchronization and even break it. Therefore, it is important and necessary to study the synchronization of systems with disturbance. In this section, the dynamic behaviors of the delay Lorenz system is to be explored and the finite-time synchronization of the delay Lorenz systems will be discussed.

#### 3.1 Dynamics of delay Lorenz system with disturbance

Delay Lorenz system with disturbance is considered as

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= a(x_2 - x_1), \\ \dot{x}_2 &= cx_1 - x_2 - x_1x_3 + Ax_2 \sin(\omega t), \\ \dot{x}_3 &= x_1x_2 - bx_3(t - \tau), \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

where  $a, b, c, \tau, A, \omega$  are real positive constants. In this section, initial conditions of system (11) is chosen as  $(-0.12, -0.4, -0.7)$  and the parameters of the system are selected as  $a = 10, b = 3, c = 28, A = 0.001, \omega = 0.01$ . Figs.1-4 depict the dynamics of system (11) for different values of  $\tau$ . Fig.1 and Fig.3 indicate that the delay Lorenz system with disturbance is chaotic for certain values of  $\tau$ . Fig.2 shows that the system has periodic-1 solution for  $\tau = 0.24$ . Fig.4 reflects that the system has periodic-2 solution for  $\tau = 0.37$ .

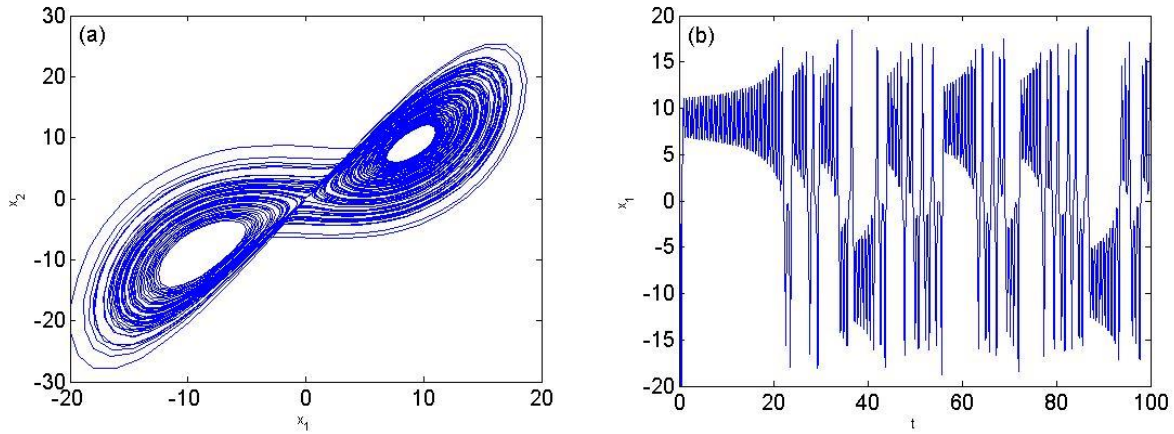


Fig.1. The phase portrait and time series of variables in system (11) for  $\tau = 0.0019$ , (a) phase portrait of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , (b) time series of  $x_1$ .

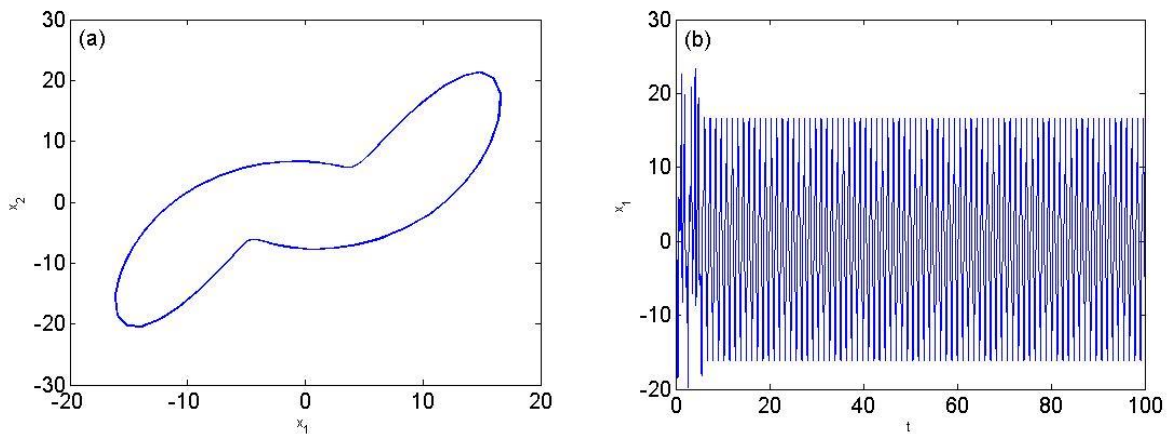


Fig.2. The phase portrait and time series of variables in system (11) for  $\tau = 0.24$ , (a) phase portrait of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , (b) time series of  $x_1$ .

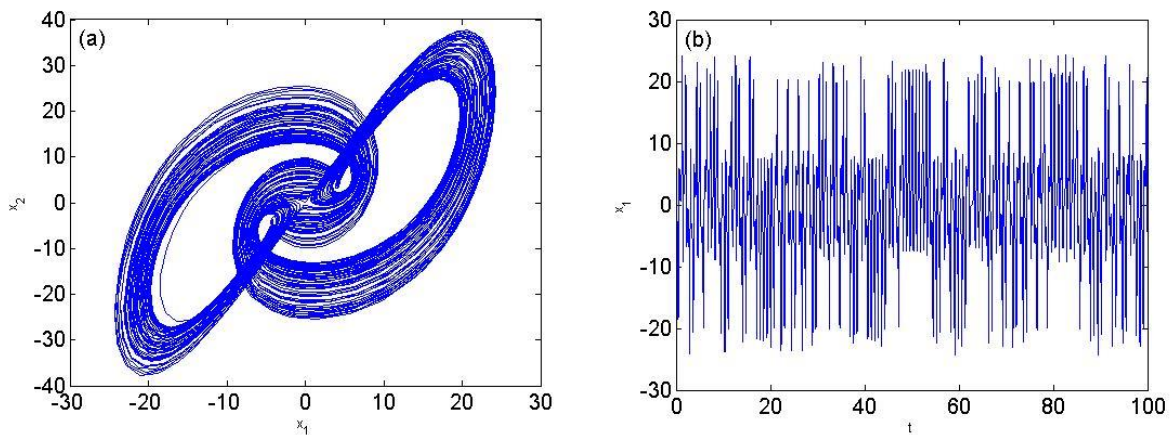


Fig.3. The phase portrait and time series of variables in system (11) for  $\tau = 0.25$ , (a) phase portrait of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , (b) time series of  $x_1$ .

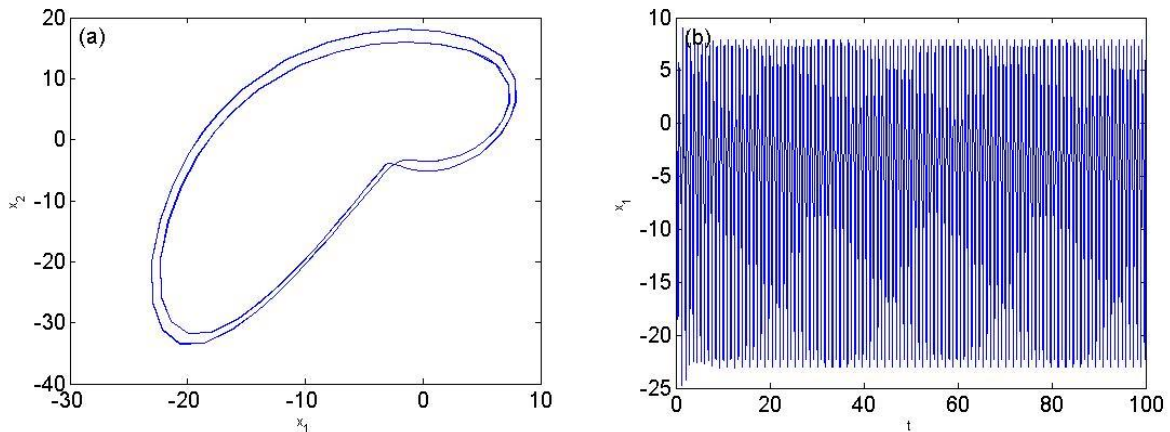


Fig.4. The phase portrait and time series of variables in system (11) for  $\tau = 0.37$ , (a) phase portrait of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , (b) time series of  $x_1$ .

### 3.2 Chaos synchronization of delay Lorenz system with disturbance

System (11) is considered as the master system and the slave system is a controlled system as

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y}_1 &= a(y_2 - y_1), \\ \dot{y}_2 &= cy_1 - y_2 - y_1y_3 + Ay_2 \sin(\omega t) + u_2, \\ \dot{y}_3 &= y_1y_2 - by_3(t - \tau). \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Let  $e_1 = y_1 - x_1$ ,  $e_2 = y_2 - x_2$ ,  $e_3 = y_3 - x_3$ , and subtract Eq.(11) from Eq.(12), the error system between systems (11) and (12) can be gotten as

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{e}_1 &= a(e_2 - e_1), \\ \dot{e}_2 &= ce_1 + e_1e_3 - e_1y_3 - y_1e_3 - e_2 + Ae_2 \sin(\omega t) + u, \\ \dot{e}_3 &= -e_1e_2 + e_1y_2 + y_1e_2 - be_3(t - \tau). \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

Our aim is to design a controller that can achieve the finite-time synchronization of the delay Lorenz system (11) and the controlled system (12). The problem can be converted to design a controller to attain finite-time stable of the error system (13).

To achieve the finite-time stabilization, the controller  $u$  is taken as

$$u = -ce_1 - e_1e_3 + e_1y_3 + y_1e_3 + e_2 - k_1 \text{sign}(e_1) - k_2 \text{sign}(e_2) - k_3 \text{sign}(e_3), \tag{14}$$

where  $k_1, k_2, k_3$  are positive parameters to be designed.

Substitute (14) into (13), we can get the closed-loop plant dynamics

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{e}_1 &= a(e_2 - e_1), \\ \dot{e}_2 &= Ae_2 \sin(\omega t) - k_1 \text{sign}(e_1) - k_2 \text{sign}(e_2) - k_3 \text{sign}(e_3), \\ \dot{e}_3 &= -e_1e_2 + e_1y_2 + y_1e_2 - be_3(t - \tau). \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Choose a candidate Lyaupunov function for the system (15) as

$$V = (\alpha |e_1| + \frac{1}{2} e_2^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} + e_1e_2,$$

then the derivative of  $V$  along the trajectory of (15) can be derived as

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= \frac{3}{2} (\alpha |e_1| + \frac{1}{2} e_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} (\alpha \text{sign}(e_1) \dot{e}_1 + e_2 \dot{e}_2) + \dot{e}_1e_2 + e_1\dot{e}_2 \\ &= \frac{3}{2} (\alpha |e_1| + \frac{1}{2} e_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} [\alpha \text{sign}(e_1) a(e_2 - e_1) + e_2 (Ae_2 \sin(\omega t) - k_1 \text{sign}(e_1) \\ &\quad - k_2 \text{sign}(e_2) - k_3 \text{sign}(e_3))] + a(e_2 - e_1)e_2 + e_1 [Ae_2 \sin(\omega t) - k_1 \text{sign}(e_1) - k_2 \text{sign}(e_2) - k_3 \text{sign}(e_3)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq -\frac{3}{2}(\alpha|e_1| + \frac{1}{2}e_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}|e_2|[(k_1 - a\alpha)\text{sign}(e_1e_2) - Ae_2\text{sign}(e_2)\sin(\omega t) + k_2 + k_3\text{sign}(e_2e_3)] + ae_2^2 + |e_1|[Ae_2\sin(\omega t)\text{sign}(e_1) - k_1 - k_2\text{sign}(e_1e_2) - k_3\text{sign}(e_1e_3) - ae_2\text{sign}(e_1)].$$

Let  $-AM + k_1 - k_2 - k_3 - aM \geq 0$ ,  $a\alpha - k_1 \geq 0$ ,  $k_1 - a\alpha - AM + k_2 - k_3 \geq 0$ ,  $|e_2| \leq M$ , then we have

$$\dot{V} \leq -\frac{3}{2}(\alpha|e_1| + \frac{1}{2}e_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}|e_2|[k_1 - a\alpha - AM + k_2 - k_3] + ae_2^2 - |e_1|[-AM + k_1 - k_2 - k_3 - aM].$$

Let

$$u = k_1 - a\alpha - AM + k_2 - k_3 - \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}a,$$

$$v = -AM + k_1 - k_2 - k_3 - aM,$$

then we can arrive

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &\leq -\frac{3}{2\sqrt{2}}ue_2^2 - v|e_1| \\ &\leq -m[(\alpha|e_1| + \frac{1}{2}e_2^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}]^{\frac{2}{3}}, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

$$\text{where } m = \min\left\{\frac{v}{\alpha}, \frac{3u}{\sqrt{2}}\right\}.$$

Based on Corollary 1, we have

$$e_1e_2 + (\alpha|e_1| + \frac{1}{2}e_2^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \leq 2((\alpha|e_1| + \frac{1}{2}e_2^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}). \quad (17)$$

Substituting (16) into (15) leads to the inequation

$$\dot{V} \leq -m\frac{1}{2^{\frac{3}{2}}}[(\alpha|e_1| + \frac{1}{2}e_2^2)^2 + e_1e_2]^{\frac{2}{3}} = -\beta V^{\frac{2}{3}}, \quad (18)$$

$$\text{where } \beta = m\frac{1}{2^{\frac{3}{2}}}.$$

By solving the above inequality, one gets

$$V(t) \leq (V_0^{\frac{1}{3}} - \frac{\beta t}{3})^3. \quad (19)$$

Due to  $V(t) \geq 0$ , it follows that  $\frac{\beta t}{3} \leq V_0^{\frac{1}{3}}$ , which means that  $t \leq \frac{3}{\beta}V_0^{\frac{1}{3}}$ . Therefore, there exists

constant  $T_1 = \frac{3}{\beta}V_0^{\frac{1}{3}}$  such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow T_2} e_1 = \lim_{t \rightarrow T_2} e_2 = 0$ . Based on the second of system (15), we can conclude that

$\lim_{t \rightarrow T_2} e_1 = \lim_{t \rightarrow T_2} e_2 = 0$  implies  $\lim_{t \rightarrow T_2} e_3 = 0$ . From Lemma 1, the error system (15) is finite-time stable. That is to say  $e_1 \equiv 0, e_2 \equiv 0, e_3 \equiv 0$  after a finite-time  $T_1$ . Therefore, when  $t > T_1$ ,  $y_1 \equiv x_1, y_2 \equiv x_2, y_3 \equiv x_3$ .

#### 4. Simulation results

In this section, initial conditions of the master system and slave system are chosen as  $(-0.12, -0.4, -0.7)$  and  $(-0.13, -0.38, -0.71)$ , respectively. The system parameters of are taken as  $a = 10, b = 3, c = 28, A = 0.001, \omega = 0.01, k_1 = 0.0021, k_2 = 0.001, k_3 = 0.001$ . Fig.5 and Fig.6 show

the dynamical behaviors of error systems of the delay Lorenz system with different  $\tau$ , which proves that time-delay has influence on synchronous time.

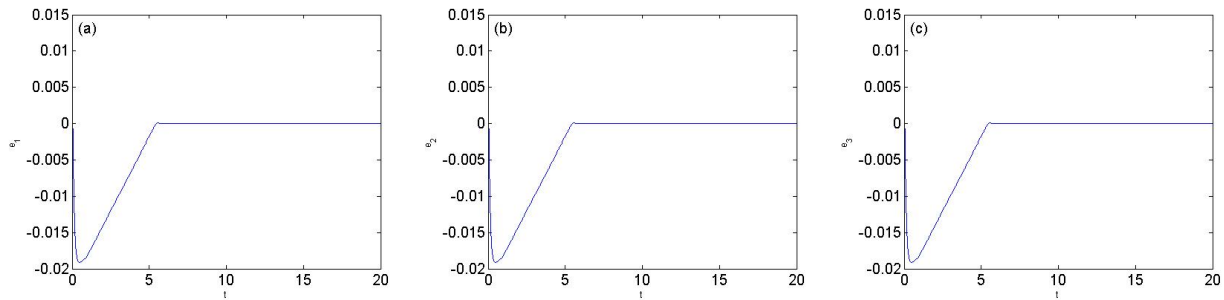


Fig.5. Synchronization errors of the delay Lorenz system when  $\tau = 0.0019$ .

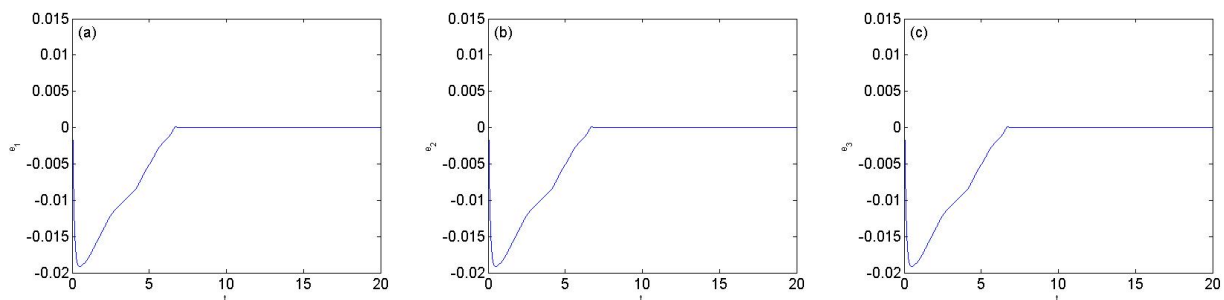


Fig.6. Synchronization errors of the delay Lorenz system when  $\tau = 0.25$ .

## 5. Conclusion

This paper is concerned with finite-time synchronization of the delay Lorenz systems with disturbance. Based on the finite-time stability theory, a control law is proposed to realize finite-time chaos synchronization of the delay Lorenz systems with disturbance via a single controller. Finally, numerical simulations are given to demonstrate the effectiveness and robustness of the proposed scheme. From the proof process we can see that the proposed method can be extended to other systems.

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