Discrete and Continuous Dynamical Systems

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Basic notions

Realizations in special form

- Controllable canonical form
- Observable canonical form
- Diagonal form

Joint controllability and observability

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Transformation of states

Two different state space models with the same input-output behavior

$$\begin{split} \dot{\boldsymbol{x}}(t) &= \boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{x}(t) + \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{u}(t) \quad , \quad \dot{\overline{\boldsymbol{x}}}(t) = \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}\overline{\boldsymbol{x}}(t) + \overline{\boldsymbol{B}}\boldsymbol{u}(t) \\ \boldsymbol{y}(t) &= \boldsymbol{C}\boldsymbol{x}(t) + \boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{u}(t) \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{y}(t) = \overline{\boldsymbol{C}}\overline{\boldsymbol{x}}(t) + \overline{\boldsymbol{D}}\boldsymbol{u}(t) \end{split}$$

which are related by the transformation

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Realizations in special form Controllable canonical form

Controllable canonical form (controller form)

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$$H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)}$$

• Controllability canonical form of the state space model

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 & \dots & -a_{n-1} & -a_n \\ 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}(t)$$

 $y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 & \dots & b_n \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}(t)$

- $\bullet\,$ The change of the i-th state variable depends on the i-1-th one, i>1
- The change of x_1 depends on all states and the input
- Always controllable

Observable canonical form

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$$H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)}$$

• Observability canonical form of the state space model

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -a_{n-1} & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ -a_n & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}(t) + \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_{n-1} \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$
$$y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}(t)$$

• Each state variable is fed back to the previous one and the output of the system is x_1 .

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• Always observable

Realizations in special form Diagonal form

Diagonal form (or modal form) realization

• State space model in diagonal form

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{x}}(t) = \boldsymbol{A}_D \boldsymbol{x}(t) + \boldsymbol{B}_D \boldsymbol{u}(t)$$
$$\boldsymbol{y}(t) = \boldsymbol{C}_D \boldsymbol{x}(t)$$

with

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \dots & 0 \\ \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x} + \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}$$
$$\boldsymbol{y} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & \dots & c_n \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}$$

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Controllability in diagonal form realization

Controllability matrix

 $\bullet~$ The last matrix is a Vandermonde matrix V with determinant

$$det \ \mathbf{V} = \prod_{1 \le i < j \le n} (\lambda_j - \lambda_i)$$

• Full rank of the controllability matrix

$$rank \ \mathcal{C}_n = n \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad det \ \mathcal{C}_n = \prod_i b_i \prod_{j < i} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j) \neq 0$$

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Controllability and observability in diagonal form realization

Theorem (Controllability)

DSSR is controllable iff $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j, (i \neq j)$ and $b_i \neq 0, \forall i$

Theorem (Observability)

DSSR is observable iff $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j, (i \neq j)$ and $c_i \neq 0, \forall i$

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The transfer function of diagonal form realization

Transfer function

$$H(s) = \boldsymbol{C}(s\boldsymbol{I} - \boldsymbol{A})^{-1}\boldsymbol{B} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{c_i b_i}{s - \lambda_i} = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)}$$

where I is a unit matrix.

• If either $c_j = 0$ or $b_k = 0$ then the transfer function can be described by smaller number of partial fractions than the original:

$$H(s) = \sum_{i=1}^{\overline{n}} \frac{c_i b_i}{s - \lambda_i} = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)} \quad , \quad \overline{n} < n$$

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Joint controllability and observability

Equivalent SSR properties



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Consider SISO CT-LTI systems with realization $(\boldsymbol{A},\boldsymbol{B},\boldsymbol{C})$

• Joint controllability and observability is a system property

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- Equivalent necessary and sufficient conditions
- Minimality of SSRs
- Irreducibility of the transfer function

Hankel matrices

• Definition A Hankel matrix is a block matrix of the following form

$$m{H}[1,n-1] = egin{bmatrix} m{CB} & m{CAB} & m{CAB} & m{.} & m{.} & m{CA}^{n-1}m{B} \ m{CAB} & m{CA}^2m{B} & m{.} & m{.} & m{CA}^nm{B} \ m{.} & m{.} & m{.} & m{CA}^nm{B} \ m{.} & m{.} & m{.} & m{.} & m{.} \ m{CA}^nm{B} \ m{.} & m{.} & m{.} & m{.} \ m{.} & m{.} & m{.} & m{.} \ m{.} & m{.} \ m{.} & m{.} & m{.} \ m{.} \ m{.} & m{.} \ m{.} & m{.} \ \m{.} \ m{.} \ m{.} \ m{.} \ \m{.} \ \m{$$

• It contains *Markov parameters* $CA^{i}B$ that are invariant under state transformations.

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Lemma 1

Lemma (1)

If we have a system with transfer function $H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)}$ and there is an *n*-th order realization (A, B, C), which is controllable and observable then all other *n*-th order realizations are controllable and observable.

Proof

$$\boldsymbol{H}[1, n-1] = \mathcal{O}(\boldsymbol{C}, \boldsymbol{A})\mathcal{C}(\boldsymbol{A}, \boldsymbol{B})$$

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Definitions

Definition (Relative prime polynomials)

Two polynomials a(s) and b(s) are *coprime* (or relative primes) iff $a(s) = \prod (s - \alpha_i)$; $b(s) = \prod (s - \beta_j)$ and $\alpha_i \neq \beta_j$ for all i, j. In other words: the polynomials have no common factors.

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Definition (Irreducible transfer function)

A transfer function $H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)}$ is called to be irreducible if the polynomials a(s) and b(s) are relative primes.

Lemma 2

Lemma (2)

If we have a controller form realization which is jointly controllable and observable then a(s) and b(s) are relative primes (H(s) is irreducible).

Proof

• A controller form realization is controllable and

$$\mathcal{O}_c = \tilde{I}_n b(A_c)$$

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{I}}_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & . & . & 1\\ 0 & . & 1 & 0\\ . & . & . & .\\ 1 & 0 & . & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

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• Non-singularity of $b(\mathbf{A}_c)$

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Proof of Lemma 2

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\boldsymbol{I}}_{n} &= \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{e}_{n} & \boldsymbol{e}_{n-1} & \dots & \boldsymbol{e}_{1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{e}_{n}^{T} \\ \boldsymbol{e}_{n-1}^{T} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{e}_{1}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{e}_{i} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \quad \leftarrow i. \end{split}$$

$$\boldsymbol{A}_{c} &= \begin{bmatrix} -a_{1} & -a_{2} & \dots & -a_{n} \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{e}_{i}^{T}\boldsymbol{A}_{c} = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} -a_{1} & -a_{2} & \dots & -a_{n} \\ e_{i-1}^{T} & e_{i-1}^{T} & e_{i-1}^{T} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Proof of Lemma 2

- Computation of the observability matrix $\mathcal{O}_c = \tilde{I}_n b(\boldsymbol{A}_c) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$
- 1st row:

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$$e_n^T b(\mathbf{A}_c) = e_n^T b_1 \mathbf{A}_c^{n-1} + \dots + e_n^T b_{n-1} \mathbf{A}_c + e_n^T b_n \mathbf{I}_n$$

n-th term: [0 \ldots 0 b_n]
(n-1)-th term: $b_{n-1} e_n^T \mathbf{A}_c = b_{n-1} e_{n-1}^T = [0 \ \dots \ b_{n-1} \ 0]$

$$\boldsymbol{e}_n^T \boldsymbol{b}(\boldsymbol{A}_c) = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & \dots & b_{n-1} & b_n \end{bmatrix} = C_c$$

• 2nd row:

$$\boldsymbol{e}_{n-1}^T b(\boldsymbol{A}_c) = \boldsymbol{e}_n^T \boldsymbol{A}_c b(\boldsymbol{A}_c) = \boldsymbol{e}_n^T b(\boldsymbol{A}_c) \boldsymbol{A}_c \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{e}_{n-1}^T b(\boldsymbol{A}_c) = \boldsymbol{C}_c \boldsymbol{A}_c$$

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• and so on ...

Proof of Lemma 2

\mathcal{O}_c is nonsingular

- iff $b(\boldsymbol{A}_c)$ is nonsingular because matrix \boldsymbol{I}_n is always nonsingular
- $b(\mathbf{A}_c)$ is nonsingular iff $det(b(\mathbf{A}_c)) \neq 0$ which depends on the eigenvalues of $b(\mathbf{A}_c)$ matrix
- the eigenvalues of the matrix $b(\mathbf{A}_c)$ are $b(\lambda_i)$, i = 1, 2, ..., n λ_i is an eigenvalue of \mathbf{A}_c , i.e a root of $a(s) = det(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})$

$$det(b(\mathbf{A}_c)) = \prod_{i=1}^n b(\lambda_i) \neq 0$$

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Minimal realization conditions

Theorem (1)

 $H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)}$ is irreducible iff all *n*-th order realizations are jointly controllable and observable.

Proof: combine Lemma 1. and 2.

Definition (Minimal realization)

A realization (A, B, C) of dimension n is minimal if one cannot find another realization of dimension less than n.

Theorem (2)

 $H(s) = \frac{b(s)}{a(s)}$ is irreducible iff any of its realization (A, B, C) is minimal where $H(s) = C(sI - A)^{-1}B$

Proof: by contradiction

Minimal realization conditions

Theorem (3)

A realization (A, B, C) is minimal iff the system is jointly controllable and observable.

Proof: Combine Theorem 1 and Theorem 2.

Lemma (3)

Any two minimal realizations can be connected by a unique similarity transformation (which is invertible).

Proof: (Just the idea of it)

$$T = O^{-1}(C_1, A_1)O(C_2, A_2) = C(A_1, B_1)C^{-1}(A_2, B_2)$$

exists and it is invertible: this is used as a transformation matrix.

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Given an (A, B, C) SSR, it is always possible to transform it to another realization $(\overline{A}, \overline{B}, \overline{C})$ with partitioned state vector and matrices

$$\overline{\boldsymbol{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\boldsymbol{x}}_{co} & \overline{\boldsymbol{x}}_{c\overline{o}} & \overline{\boldsymbol{x}}_{\overline{co}} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
$$\overline{\boldsymbol{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{co} & \boldsymbol{0} & \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{13} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{21} & \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{c\overline{o}} & \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{23} & \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{24} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} & \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{\overline{c}o} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} & \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{43} & \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{\overline{c\overline{o}}} \end{bmatrix} \quad \overline{\boldsymbol{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\boldsymbol{B}}_{co} \\ \overline{\boldsymbol{B}}_{c\overline{o}} \\ \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\overline{\boldsymbol{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\boldsymbol{C}}_{co} & \boldsymbol{0} & \overline{\boldsymbol{C}}_{\overline{c}o} & \boldsymbol{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

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The partitioning defines subsystems

• Controllable and observable subsystem: $(\overline{A}_{co}, \overline{B}_{co}, \overline{C}_{co})$ is minimal, i.e. $\overline{n} \leq n$ and

$$H(s) = \overline{C}_{co}(s\overline{I} - \overline{A}_{co})^{-1}\overline{B}_{co} = C(sI - A)^{-1}B$$

• Controllable subsystem

$$\left(\ \left[egin{array}{cc} \overline{m{A}}_{co} & m{0} \\ \overline{m{A}}_{21} & \overline{m{A}}_{car{o}} \end{array}
ight] \ , \ \left[egin{array}{cc} \overline{m{B}}_{co} \\ \overline{m{B}}_{car{o}} \end{array}
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• Observable subsystem

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc} \left[\begin{array}{cc} \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{co} & \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{13} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \overline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{\overline{c}o} \end{array}\right] \hspace{0.2cm}, \hspace{0.2cm} \left[\begin{array}{ccc} \overline{\boldsymbol{B}}_{co} \\ \boldsymbol{0} \end{array}\right] \hspace{0.2cm}, \hspace{0.2cm} \left[\begin{array}{ccc} \overline{\boldsymbol{C}}_{co} & \overline{\boldsymbol{C}}_{\overline{c}o} \end{array}\right] \end{array}\right)$$

• Uncontrollable and unobservable subsystem

 $([\overline{A}_{\overline{co}}] \ , \ \mathbf{0} \ , \ \mathbf{0})$

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