Lecture 3

- Controllability
- Observability
- Controller and Observer Forms
- Balanced Realizations

Rugh, chapters 9,13, 14 (only pp 247-249) and (25)

Controllability

How should **controllability** be defined ? Some (not used) alternatives:

By proper choice of control signal u

- any state x_0 can be made an equilibrium
- any state trajectory x(t) can be obtained
- any output trajectory y(t) can be obtained

The most fruitful definition has instead turned out to be the following

Controllability

The state equation

$$\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t), \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

is called *controllable on* (t_0, t_f) , if for any x_0 , there exists u(t) such that $x(t_f) = 0$ ("Controllable to origin")

Question: Is this equivalent to the following definition: "for $x_0 = 0$ and any x_1 , there exists u(t) such that $x(t_f) = x_1$ "

("Controllable from origin")

The audience is thinking!

Hint: $x(t_f) = \Phi(t_f, t_0)x(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \Phi(t_f, t)B(t)u(t)dt$

Controllability Gramian

The matrix function

$$W(t_0, t_f) = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \Phi(t_0, t) B(t) B(t)^T \Phi(t_0, t)^T dt$$

is called the controllability Gramian.

A main result is the following

Th.1 Controllability Criterion (Rugh 9.2)

The state equation is controllable on (t_0, t_f) if and only if the controllability Gramian $W(t_0, t_f)$ is invertible.



Remark: We will see later (Lec.6) that the minimal (squared) control energy, defined by $||u||^2 := \int_{t_0}^{t_f} |u|^2 dt$, needed to move from $x(t_0) = x_0$ to $x(t_f) = 0$ equals $x_0^T W(t_0, t_f)^{-1} x_0$.

Proof of Th.1

i) Suppose first W is invertible. Given x_0 the control signal

$$u(t) = -B^T \Phi^T(t_0, t) W^{-1}(t_0, t_f) x_0$$

will give $x(t_f) = 0$ (check!). Hence the system is controllable.

ii) Suppose instead the system is controllable. Want to show W invertible, i.e. that $Wx_0 = 0$ implies $x_0 = 0$.

Find
$$u$$
 so $0 = \Phi x_0 + \int \Phi B u dt$, i.e.
 $x_0 = -\int_{t_0}^{t_f} \Phi(t_0, t) B(t) u(t) dt$
 $x_0^T x_0 = -\int_{t_0}^{t_f} \underbrace{x_0^T \Phi(t_0, t) B(t)}_{:=z(t)} u(t) dt$

But this shows $x_0 = 0$ since

$$||z(t)||^{2} = \int_{t_{0}}^{t_{f}} x_{0}^{T} \Phi(t_{0}, t) B(t) B^{T}(t) \Phi^{T}(t_{0}, t) x_{0} dt = x_{0}^{T} W x_{0} = 0$$

Th2. LTI Controllability Test - (Rugh 9.5)

The following four conditions are equivalent:

(i) The system $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$ is controllable. (ii) rank $[B \ AB \ A^2B \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B] = n$. (iii) $\lambda \in \mathbf{C}, \ p^TA = \lambda p^T, \ p^TB = 0 \Rightarrow p = 0$. (iv) rank $[\lambda I - A \ B] = n \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbf{C}$.

The conditions (iii) and (iv) are called the PBH test (Popov-Belevitch-Hautus), see p221.

Notation: $C(A, B) := [B \ AB \ A^2B \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B]$

Th.3 LTI Uncontrollable System Decomposition

Suppose that 0 < q < n and

$$\operatorname{rank} \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & A^2B & \dots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix} = q < n$$

Then there exists an invertible $P \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$ such that

$$P^{-1}AP = \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{A}_{11} & \widehat{A}_{12} \\ 0 & \widehat{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad P^{-1}B = \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{B}_{11} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where \widehat{A}_{11} is $q \times q$, \widehat{B}_{11} is $q \times m$, and

 $\operatorname{rank}[\widehat{B}_{11} \quad \widehat{A}_{11}\widehat{B}_{11}\dots \widehat{A}_{11}^{q-1}B_{11}] = q$

Range and Null Spaces

Range space (Image) of $M : X \rightarrow Y$:

$$\mathcal{R}(M) = \{Mx : x \in X\} \subset Y$$

Null space (Kernal) of $M : X \rightarrow Y$:

$$\mathcal{N}(M) = \{x : Mx = 0\} \subset X$$

Example:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{R} & \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) &= \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : \alpha \in \mathbf{R} \right\} \\ \mathcal{N} & \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) &= \left\{ \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} : \alpha \in \mathbf{R} \right\} \end{split}$$

Cayley-Hamilton Theorem

Let $p(s) := \det(sI - A)$ be the char. polynomial of the square matrix A, then

$$p(A)=0$$

This means that A^n , where *n* is the size of *A*, can be written as a linear combination of A^k of lower order

$$A^n = -a_{n-1}A^{n-1} - \ldots - a_1A - a_0I$$

Proof Th. 3

Use the $n \times n$ matrix $P = [P_1 \ P_2]$ where P_1 is an $n \times q$ matrix with lin. indep. columns taken from C(A, B) and P_2 is any $n \times (n - q)$ matrix making P invertible. Introduce the notation

$$P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} M \\ N \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } \begin{bmatrix} M \\ N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & P_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_q & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-q} \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Note } NP_1 = 0.$$
$$\mathcal{R}(B) \subset \mathcal{R}(P_1) \Rightarrow NB = 0 \Rightarrow \quad \widehat{B} = P^{-1}B = \begin{bmatrix} M \\ N \end{bmatrix} B = \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{B}_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\mathcal{R}(AP_1) \subset \mathcal{R}(P_1) \Rightarrow NAP_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \widehat{A} = P^{-1}AP = \begin{bmatrix} M \\ N \end{bmatrix} AP = egin{bmatrix} \widehat{A}_{11} & \widehat{A}_{12} \\ 0 & \widehat{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$

 $\operatorname{rank} \mathcal{C}(\widehat{A}_{11}, \widehat{B}_1) = \operatorname{rank} \mathcal{C}(A, B) = q$

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Proof of Th. 2

(i) \Rightarrow (ii) If (ii) fails, then after a coordinate change as in Theorem 3, \hat{x}_2 is unaffected by the input, so (i) fails.

(ii)
$$\Rightarrow$$
 (i) If $p^T W(t_0, t_f) p = 0$ for some $p \neq 0$, then

$$\int_{t_0}^{t_f} p^T e^{A(t_0 - t)} B B^T e^{A^T(t_0 - t)} p dt = 0$$

$$p^T e^{A(t_0 - t)} B = 0 \quad \forall t \in [t_0, t_f]$$

Differentiation with respect to t at $t = t_0$, gives

$$p^T[B \quad AB \dots A^{n-1}B] = 0,$$

so (ii) fails.

Proof Th2 continued

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) If iii fails, i.e. $p^T A = \lambda p^T$ and $p^T B = 0$ for $p \neq 0$ then $p^T [B \quad AB \dots A^{n-1}B] = 0$, so (ii) fails.

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii) If rank $[B \dots A^{n-1}B] = q < n$ then let P be defined as in Theorem 3 and let $p_2^T \hat{A}_{22} = \lambda p_2^T$ and $p^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_2^T \end{bmatrix} P^{-1}$. Then

$$p^{T}B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_{2}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{B}_{11} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$
$$p^{T}A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_{2}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{A}_{11} & \hat{A}_{12} \\ 0 & \hat{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix} P^{-1} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 & p_{2}^{T} \end{bmatrix} P^{-1} = \lambda p^{T}$$

so (iii) fails.

(iv) $\Leftrightarrow \{ p^T [\lambda - A \quad B] = 0 \Rightarrow p = 0 \} \Leftrightarrow$ (iii)

Tank example - controllable?



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Example - Single Input Diagonal Systems

For which λ_i , b_i is this system controllable?

Method 1: When is the controllability matrix invertible?

After some work: When all λ_i are distinct and all b_i nonzero. Method 2: The PBH-test gives you this result immediately!

LTV Reachability

The equation

$$\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t), \quad x(t_0) = 0$$

is called *reachable* on (t_0, t_f) , if for any x_f , there exists u(t) such that $x(t_f) = x_f$.

The matrix function

$$W_{r}(t_{0}, t_{f}) = \int_{t_{0}}^{t_{f}} \Phi(t_{f}, t) B(t) B(t)^{T} \Phi(t_{f}, t)^{T} dt$$

= $\Phi(t_{f}, t_{0}) W(t_{0}, t_{f}) \Phi(t_{f}, t_{0})^{T}$

is called the reachability Gramian.

Continuous time controllability and reachability are equivalent

LTV Observability

The equation

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}(t) &= A(t)x(t), \quad x(t_0) = x_0 \\ y(t) &= C(t)x(t) \end{aligned}$$

is called *observable on* $[t_0, t_f]$ if any initial state x_0 is uniquely determined by the output y(t) for $t \in [t_0, t_f]$.

It is called *reconstructable on* $[t_0, t_f]$ if the state $x(t_f)$ is uniquely determined by the output y(t) for $t \in [t_0, t_f]$.

In continuous time, observability and reconstrubality are equivalent (why?)

Observability Gramian

The matrix function

$$M(t_0, t_f) = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \Phi(t, t_0)^T C(t)^T C(t) \Phi(t, t_0) dt$$

is called the observability Gramian of the system

 $\dot{x}(t) = A(t)x(t)$ y(t) = C(t)x(t)

Remark: Operator interpretation (see later)

$$M(t_0, t_f) = L^*L$$

where $L: \mathbf{R}^n \to L_2^m(t_0, t_f)$ with

$$(Lx_0)(t) = C(t)\Phi(t,t_0)x_0, \quad x_0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$$

Degree of Observability

The following two conditions are equivalent

(i) The system $\{A(t), C(t)\}$ is observable on $[t_0, t_f]$. (ii) $M(t_0, t_f) > 0$

Interpretations: Consider $y(t) = Lx_0 + e(t)$

i) If *e* is white noise with unit variance then $E|y - Lx_0|^2$ is minimized for $\hat{x}^0 = (L^*L)^{-1}L^*y$ and the variance of the estimate is $(L^*L)^{-1} = M(t_0, t_f)^{-1}$.

ii) The set of x_0 for which $\exists e(t)$ with $||e||^2 \le \sigma^2$ such that $y(t) \equiv 0$ is given by

 $x_0^T M(t_0, t_f) x_0 \le \sigma^2$

Th. 5 (Rugh 9.11) - LTI Observability

The following four conditions are equivalent:

(i) The system
$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t), y(t) = Cx(t)$$
 is observable.
(ii) rank $\begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = n.$
(iii) $\lambda \in \mathbf{C}$: $Ap = \lambda p, Cp = 0 \implies p = 0$
(iv) rank $\begin{bmatrix} \lambda I - A \\ C \end{bmatrix} = n \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbf{C}.$

Theorem 6 - Unobservable State Equation

Suppose that rank
$$\begin{bmatrix} C\\CA\\\vdots\\CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = l < n$$

Then there exists an invertible $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ such that
 $Q^{-1}AQ = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{A}_{11} & 0\\\hat{A}_{21} & \hat{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad CQ = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{C}_{11} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
where \hat{A}_{11} is $l \times l$, \hat{C}_{11} is $p \times l$, and rank $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{C}_{11}\\\hat{C}_{11}\hat{A}_{11}\\\vdots\\\hat{C}_{11}\hat{A}_{11}^{l-1} \end{bmatrix} = l.$

LTI Controller Canonical Form - Single Input

Suppose (A, b) is controllable. There is an invertible *P* such that a state transformation will bring the system to the form

$$PAP^{-1} = A_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & \dots & -a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad PB = B_c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\det(sI - A) = s^{n} + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \ldots + a_{1}s + a_{0}$

Proof

Introduce some notation for $C^{-1}(A, b)$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_1 \\ \vdots \\ M_n \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} b & Ab \dots A^{n-1}b \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} M_n A^k b = 0, & k = 0, \dots, n-2 \\ M_n A^{n-1} b = 1 \end{array}$$

We can use the transformation z = Px where

$$P = egin{bmatrix} M_n \ M_n A \ dots \ M_n A^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

That *P* is invertible follows from calculation of PC (the new controllability matrix)

Proof

$$PC = \begin{bmatrix} M_n \\ M_n A \\ \vdots \\ M_n A^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b & Ab & \dots & A^{n-1}b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \star \\ 0 & 1 & \star & \star \\ 1 & \star & \dots & \star \end{bmatrix}$$

$$PA = \begin{bmatrix} M_n A \\ M_n A^2 \\ \vdots \\ M_n A^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & \dots & -a_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_n \\ M_n A \\ \vdots \\ M_n A^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = A_c P$$

$$PB = \begin{bmatrix} M_n b \\ M_n A \\ \vdots \\ M_n A^{n-1} b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = B_c$$

Controllability Index

To construct the corresponding controller form when we have multiple inputs (m > 1) we need the following

Definition: Let $B = [B_1 \dots B_m]$. For $j = 1, \dots, m$, the *controllability index* ρ_j is the smallest integer such that $A^{\rho_j}B_j$ is linearly dependent on the column vectors occuring to the left of it in the controllability matrix

 $\begin{bmatrix} B & AB & \dots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix}$

Notation for Controller Form

Given a contr. system $\{A, B\}$, with controllability indices $\rho_1, \ldots \rho_m$, define

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 \\ \vdots \\ M_n \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} B_1 & AB_1 \dots A^{\rho_1 - 1}B_1 & \dots & B_m \dots A^{\rho_m - 1}B_m \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ \vdots \\ P_m \end{bmatrix}, \quad P_i = \begin{bmatrix} M_{\rho_1 + \dots + \rho_i} \\ M_{\rho_1 + \dots + \rho_i}A \\ \vdots \\ M_{\rho_i + \dots + \rho_i}A^{\rho_i - 1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Notice that it is rather easy to write Matlab code for this. See Rugh 13.9 for the proof of the following result

Theorem 7, Controller Form - Multiple Inputs

The transformation z = Px gives (A_c, B_c) with



Theorem 7, Controller Form - Multiple Inputs



The block sizes equal the controllability indices ρ_i .

If B is not full rank, B_c will have a stair-case form.

Using the controller form it is now easy to prove

Suppose (A, B) is controllable. Given a monic polynomial p(s) there is a feedback control u = -Kx so that

$$\det(sI - A - BK) = p(s).$$

Proof We can get rid of the \star elements in B_c by writing $B_c = \tilde{B}_c T$ where T is an upper triangular matrix with right inverse. Introduce the new control signal $\tilde{u} = Tu$. By state feedback we can now change each line of stars in A_c . We can for instance transform A_c to a controller form with one big block, with the last row containing the coefficients of p(s).

Definition - Observability Index

Let $C^T = [C_1^T \dots C_p^T]^T$. For $j = 1, \dots, p$, the *observability index* η_j is the smallest integer such that $C_j A^{\eta_j}$ is linearly dependent on the row vectors occuring above it in the observability matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem 8 - Observer form

Suppose (C, A) is observable. Then there is a transformation z = Px, to the form $\dot{z} = A_o z$, $y = C_o z$ with

- $A_o =$ transpose of the form for A_c above
- $C_o =$ transpose of the form for B_c above

The size of the blocks equals the observability indices η_j .

Theorem 9 - Time-Invariant Gramian

Let *A* be exponentially stable. Then, the reachability Gramian $W_r(-\infty, 0)$ equals the unique solution *P* to the matrix equation

$$PA^T + AP = -BB^T$$

Similarly, the observability Gramian $M(0,\infty)$ equals the solution Q of

 $QA + A^TQ = -C^TC$

Proof of Theorem 9

Let
$$P = W_r(-\infty, 0) = \int_0^\infty e^{A\sigma} B B^T e^{A^T \sigma} d\sigma$$
. Then

$$PA^{T} + AP = \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \left(e^{A\sigma} B B^{T} e^{A^{T}\sigma} \right) d\sigma$$
$$= \left[e^{A\sigma} B B^{T} e^{A^{T}\sigma} \right]_{0}^{\infty}$$
$$= -BB^{T}$$

The linear operator (Lyapunov 1893)

$$L(P) = AP + PA^T$$

has $\mathcal{R}(L) = \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$ so $\mathcal{N}(L) = \{0\}$ and the solution *P* is unique.

The equation for the observability Gramian is obtained by replacing A, B with A^T, C^T .

Balanced Realization

For the stable system (A, B, C), with Gramians *P* and *Q*, the variable transformation $\hat{x} = Tx$ gives

$$\hat{P} = TPT^*$$

 $\hat{Q} = T^{-*}QT^-$

Choosing R, T, unitary U and diagonal Σ from

$$Q = R^*R$$
 (Choleski Factorisation)
 $RPR^* = U\Sigma^2 U^*$ (Singular Value Decomposition)
 $T = \Sigma^{-1/2} U^*R$

gives (check)

$$\hat{P} = \hat{Q} = \Sigma$$

The corresponding realization $(\hat{A}, \hat{B}, \hat{C})$ is called a *balanced realization* of the system (A, B, C).

Let the states be sorted such that Σ is decreasing. The diagonal elements of Σ measure "how controllable and observable" the corresponding states are. With

$$\hat{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{A}_{11} & \hat{A}_{12} \\ \hat{A}_{21} & \hat{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \hat{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{B}_1 \\ \hat{B}_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \hat{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{C}_1 & \hat{C}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

the system $(\widehat{A}_{11}, \widehat{B}_1, \widehat{C}_1)$ is called a *truncated balanced realization* of the system (A, B, C).

If $\Sigma_1 >> \Sigma_2$ the truncated system is probably a good approximation. Choose either D = 0 or to get correct DC-gain.

Example (done with balreal in MATLAB)

$$C(sI - A)^{-1}B = \frac{1 - s}{s^6 + 3s^5 + 5s^4 + 7s^3 + 5s^2 + 3s + 1}$$

$$\Sigma = \text{diag}\{1.98, 1.92, 0.75, 0.33, 0.15, 0.0045\}$$

$$\widehat{C}(sI - \widehat{A})^{-1}\widehat{B} = \frac{0.20s^2 - 0.44s + 0.23}{s^3 + 0.44s^2 + 0.66s + 0.17}$$

Bode Magnitude Diagram

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Bonus: Full Kalman Decomposition

Simultaneous controller and observer decomposition Use $P = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & P_2 & P_3 & P_4 \end{bmatrix}$ where P_i has n_i columns with Columns of $\begin{bmatrix} P_1 & P_2 \end{bmatrix}$ basis for $\mathcal{R}(C)$ Columns of P_2 basis for $\mathcal{R}(C) \cap \mathcal{N}(O)$ Columns of $\begin{bmatrix} P_2 & P_4 \end{bmatrix}$ basis for $\mathcal{N}(O)$ Columns of P_3 chosen so P invertible.

$$\hat{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{A}_{11} & 0 & \hat{A}_{13} & 0\\ \hat{A}_{21} & \hat{A}_{22} & \hat{A}_{23} & \hat{A}_{24}\\ 0 & 0 & \hat{A}_{33} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \hat{A}_{43} & \hat{A}_{44} \end{bmatrix}, \hat{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{B}_1\\ \hat{B}_2\\ 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{C}_1 & 0 & \hat{C}_3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Kalman's Decomposition Theorem

The system $(\hat{A}_{11}, \hat{B}_1, \hat{C}_1)$ is both controllable and observable. It is of minimal order, n_1

The transfer function equals $\hat{C}_1(sI - \hat{A}_1)^{-1}\hat{B}_1$.



Bonus: More on Controllability

A, B is controllable if and only if

• The only C for which $C(sI - A)^{-1}B = 0, \forall s \text{ is } C = 0$

A, C is observable if and only if

• The only *B* for which $C(sI - A)^{-1}B = 0, \forall s \text{ is } B = 0$

Proof:
$$0 = C(sI - A)^{-1}B = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} CA^k B / s^{k+1} \Leftrightarrow 0 = CA^k B, \forall k \Leftrightarrow 0 = C \begin{bmatrix} B & AB & \dots & A^{n-1}B \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow 0 = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} B$$

Bonus: Parallel Systems

Let $G_1(s) = C_1(sI - A_1)^{-1}B_1$ and $G_2(s) = C_2(sI - A_2)^{-1}B_2$ If A_1 and A_2 have no common eigenvalues then

$$G_1(s) + G_2(s) \equiv 0 \Longrightarrow G_1(s) = G_2(s) = 0$$

Proof: Can assume both systems are minimal. From

$$G_1(s) + G_2(s) = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 & C_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} sI - A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & s - A_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

and the fact that $\begin{bmatrix} C_1 & C_2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is observable (PBH-test), the previous frame shows that $\begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Bonus: System Zeros (SISO)

Assume (A, b, c) minimal and that z is not an eigenvalue of A. Then the following are equivalent

•
$$G(z) = c(zI - A)^{-1}b + d = 0$$

• With u_0 arbitrary and $x_0 := (zI - A)^{-1}bu_0$ we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} zI - A & -b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

The following matrix looses rank

$$\begin{bmatrix} zI-A & -b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Bonus: Series Connection SISO

Given two minimal systems $n_i(s)/d_i(s) = c_i(sI - A_i)^{-1}b_i$, i = 1, 2

Then the series connection $\frac{n_2(s)}{d_2(s)} \frac{n_1(s)}{d_1(s)}$ is

- uncontrollable \iff there is z so $n_1(z) = d_2(z) = 0$
- unobservable \iff there is z so $n_2(z) = d_1(z) = 0$

Proof:

Controllable, check when rank

Observable, check when rank

$$\begin{bmatrix} zI - A_1 & 0 & b_1 \\ -b_2c_1 & zI - A_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \le n$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} zI - A_1 & 0 \\ -b_2c_1 & zI - A_2 \\ 0 & c_2 \end{bmatrix} \le n$$