

# Module 09

## From s-Domain to time-domain

### From ODEs, TFs to State-Space — Modern Control

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# Modern Control

- Readings: 9.1–9.4 Ogata; 3.1–3.3 Dorf & Bishop
- In the previous modules, we discussed the analysis and design of control systems via frequency-domain techniques
  - Root locus, PID controllers, compensators, state-feedback control, etc...
  - These studies are considered as the classical control theory—based on the s-domain
- This module: we'll introduce time-domain techniques
  - Theory is based on *State-Space Representations*—modern control
  - Why do we need that? Many reasons

# ODEs & Transfer Functions



- For linear systems, we can often represent the system dynamics through an  $n$ th order ordinary differential equation (ODE):

$$y^{(n)}(t) + a_1 y^{(n-1)}(t) + a_2 y^{(n-2)}(t) + \cdots + a_{n-1} \dot{y}(t) + a_n y(t) = b_0 u^{(n)}(t) + b_1 u^{(n-1)}(t) + b_2 u^{(n-2)}(t) + \cdots + b_{n-1} \dot{u}(t) + b_n u(t)$$

- The  $y^{(k)}$  notation means we're taking the  $k$ th derivative of  $y(t)$
- Input:  $u(t)$ ; Output:  $y(t)$ —What if we have MIMO system?
- Given that ODE description, we can take the LT (assuming zero initial conditions for all signals):

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + b_{n-1} s + b_n}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_{n-1} s + a_n}$$

# ODEs & TFs

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- This equation represents relationship between one system input and one system output
- This relationship, however, does not show me the internal states of the system, nor does it explain the case with multi-input system
- For that (and other reasons), we discuss the notion of **system state**
- **Definition:**  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  is a state-vector that belongs to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :  $\mathbf{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- $\mathbf{x}(t)$  is an internal state of a system
- Examples: voltages and currents of circuit components

# ODEs, TFs to State-Space Representations

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0s^n + b_1s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1}s + b_n}{s^n + a_1s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}s + a_n}$$

- **State-space (SS) theory:** representing the above TF of a system by a **vector-form first order ODE:**

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t), \quad \mathbf{x}_{\text{initial}} = \mathbf{x}_{t_0}, \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t), \quad (2)$$

- $\mathbf{x}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ : **dynamic state-vector of the LTI system**,  $\mathbf{u}(t)$ : **control input-vector**,  $n$  = order of the TF/ODE
- $\mathbf{y}(t)$ : output-vector and  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$  are constant matrices
- For the above transfer function, we have one input  $U(s)$  and one output  $Y(s)$ , hence the size of  $\mathbf{y}(t)$  and  $\mathbf{u}(t)$  is only one (scalars)
- **Module Objectives:** learn how to construct matrices  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$  given a transfer function

# State-Space Representation 1

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0s^n + b_1s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1}s + b_n}{s^n + a_1s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}s + a_n}$$

- Given the above TF/ODE, we want to find

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}u(t)$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}u(t)$$

- The above two equations represent a relationship between the input and output of the system via the internal system states
- The above 2 equations are nothing but a first order differential equation
- Wait, WHAT? But the TF/ODE was an  $n$ th order ODE. How do we have a **first order ODE** now?
- Well, because this equation is vector-matrix equation, whereas the ODE/TF was a scalar equation
- Next, we'll learn how to get to these 2 equations from any TF

# State-Space Representation 2 [Ogata, P. 689]

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = b_0 + \frac{(b_1 - a_1 b_0)s^{n-1} + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0)s + (b_n - a_n b_0)}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_{n-1} s + a_n}$$

which can be modified to

$$Y(s) = b_0 U(s) + \hat{Y}(s) \quad (9-71)$$

where

$$\hat{Y}(s) = \frac{(b_1 - a_1 b_0)s^{n-1} + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0)s + (b_n - a_n b_0)}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_{n-1} s + a_n} U(s)$$

Let us rewrite this last equation in the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\hat{Y}(s)}{(b_1 - a_1 b_0)s^{n-1} + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0)s + (b_n - a_n b_0)} \\ &= \frac{U(s)}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + a_{n-1} s + a_n} = Q(s) \end{aligned}$$

From this last equation, the following two equations may be obtained:

$$s^n Q(s) = -a_1 s^{n-1} Q(s) - \cdots - a_{n-1} s Q(s) - a_n Q(s) + U(s) \quad (9-72)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{Y}(s) &= (b_1 - a_1 b_0)s^{n-1} Q(s) + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0)s Q(s) \\ &+ (b_n - a_n b_0) Q(s) \end{aligned} \quad (9-73)$$

# State-Space Representation 3 [Ogata, P. 689]

Now define state variables as follows:

$$X_1(s) = Q(s)$$

$$X_2(s) = sQ(s)$$

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$$X_{n-1}(s) = s^{n-2}Q(s)$$

$$X_n(s) = s^{n-1}Q(s)$$

Then, clearly,

$$sX_1(s) = X_2(s)$$

$$sX_2(s) = X_3(s)$$

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$$\cdot$$
$$\cdot$$

$$sX_{n-1}(s) = X_n(s)$$

# State-Space Representation 4 [Ogata, P. 689]

which may be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_3 \\ &\vdots \\ &\vdots \\ \dot{x}_{n-1} &= x_n\end{aligned}\tag{9-74}$$

Noting that  $s^n Q(s) = sX_n(s)$ , we can rewrite Equation (9-72) as

$$sX_n(s) = -a_1 X_n(s) - \cdots - a_{n-1} X_2(s) - a_n X_1(s) + U(s)$$

or

$$\dot{x}_n = -a_n x_1 - a_{n-1} x_2 - \cdots - a_1 x_n + u\tag{9-75}$$

Also, from Equations (9-71) and (9-73), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}Y(s) &= b_0 U(s) + (b_1 - a_1 b_0) s^{n-1} Q(s) + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0) s Q(s) \\ &\quad + (b_n - a_n b_0) Q(s) \\ &= b_0 U(s) + (b_1 - a_1 b_0) X_n(s) + \cdots + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0) X_2(s) \\ &\quad + (b_n - a_n b_0) X_1(s)\end{aligned}$$

The inverse Laplace transform of this output equation becomes

$$y = (b_n - a_n b_0) x_1 + (b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0) x_2 + \cdots + (b_1 - a_1 b_0) x_n + b_0 u\tag{9-76}$$

# Final Solution

- Combining equations (9-74,75,76), we can obtain the following **vector-matrix first order differential equation**:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_{n-1}(t) \\ \dot{x}_n(t) \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ -a_n & -a_{n-1} & -a_{n-2} & \cdots & -a_1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Ax}(t)} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1}(t) \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Bu}(t)} u(t)$$

$$y(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} b_n - a_n b_0 & b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0 & \cdots & b_1 - a_1 b_0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Cx}(t)} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1}(t) \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{b_0 u(t)}_{\mathbf{Du}(t)}$$

# Remarks

- For any TF with order  $n$  (order of the denominator), with one input and one output:
  - $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ ,  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}$
  - Above matrices are constant  $\Rightarrow$  system is linear **time-invariant** (LTI)
  - If one term of the TF/ODE (i.e., the a's and b's) change as a function of time, the matrices derived above will also change in time  $\Rightarrow$  system is linear **time-varying** (LTV)
- The above state-space form is called the *controllable canonical form*
- You can come up with different forms of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$  matrices given a different transformation

# Example 1

- Find a state-space representation (i.e., the state-space matrices) for the system represented by this second order transfer function:

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{s + 3}{s^2 + 3s + 2}$$

- Solution:** look at the previous slides with the matrices:

$$H(s) = \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1} s + b_n}{s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} s + a_n} = \frac{\overbrace{0}^{b_0} s^2 + \overbrace{1}^{b_1} s + \overbrace{3}^{b_2}}{s^2 + \underbrace{3}_{a_1} s + \underbrace{2}_{a_2}}$$

- First,  $n = 2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$ ,  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}$ ,  $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{B}} u(t)$$

$$y(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{0}_{\mathbf{D}} u(t)$$

# Other State-Space Forms Given a TF/ODE<sup>1</sup>

## Observable Canonical Form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \dot{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -a_n \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -a_{n-1} \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & & \cdot & \cdot \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & -a_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_n - a_n b_0 \\ b_{n-1} - a_{n-1} b_0 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ b_1 - a_1 b_0 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$$y = [0 \quad 0 \quad \cdots \quad 0 \quad 1] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ x_{n-1} \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + b_0 u$$

<sup>1</sup>Derivation from Ogata, but similar to the controllable canonical form.

# Other State-Space Forms Given a TF/ODE

## Diagonal Canonical Form<sup>2</sup>:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} &= \frac{b_0 s^n + b_1 s^{n-1} + \cdots + b_{n-1} s + b_n}{(s + p_1)(s + p_2) \cdots (s + p_n)} \\ &= b_0 + \frac{c_1}{s + p_1} + \frac{c_2}{s + p_2} + \cdots + \frac{c_n}{s + p_n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Downarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \dot{x}_n \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -p_1 & & & & \\ & -p_2 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & & -p_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u \\ \\ y &= [c_1 \quad c_2 \quad \cdots \quad c_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + b_0 u \end{aligned}$$

<sup>2</sup>This factorization assumes that the TF has only distinct real poles.

# Example 1 Solution for other Canonical Forms

- Find the observable and diagonal forms for

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \frac{\overbrace{0}^{b_0} s^2 + \overbrace{1}^{b_1} s + \overbrace{3}^{b_2}}{s^2 + \underbrace{3}_{a_1} s + \underbrace{2}_{a_2}}$$

- Solution:** look at the previous slides with the constructed state-space matrices:
- Observable Canonical Form:**

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}}_A \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B u(t), \quad y(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_C \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{0}_D u(t)$$

- Diagonal Canonical Form:**

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}}_A \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_B u(t), \quad y(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}}_C \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{0}_D u(t)$$

# State-Space to Transfer Functions

- Given a state-space representation:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}u(t)$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}u(t)$$

can we obtain the transfer function back? **Yes:**

$$\frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} = \mathbf{C}(s\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D}$$

- Example:** find the TF corresponding for this SISO system:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{B}} u(t), \quad \mathbf{y}(t) = \underbrace{[2 \quad -1]}_{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{x}(t) + \underbrace{0}_{\mathbf{D}} u(t)$$

- Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y(s)}{U(s)} &= \mathbf{C}(s\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D} = [2 \quad -1] \left( s \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \\ &= \frac{s + 3}{s^2 + 3s + 2}, \text{ that's the TF from the previous example!} \end{aligned}$$

# MATLAB Commands

- `ss2tf(A,B,C,D,iu)`
- `tf2ss(num,den)`

# Important Remarks

- So why do we want to go from a transfer function to a time-representation, ODE form of the system?
- There are many benefits for doing so, such as:
  - ① Stability analysis for MIMO systems becomes way easier
  - ② We have powerful mathematical tools that helps us design controllers
  - ③ RL and compensator designs were relatively tedious design problems
  - ④ With state-space representations, we can easily design controllers
  - ⑤ Nonlinear systems: cannot use TFs for nonlinear systems
  - ⑥ State-space is all about time-domain analysis, which is far more intuitive than frequency-domain analysis
  - ⑦ With Laplace transforms and TFs, we had to take inverse Laplace transforms. In many cases, the Laplace transform does not exist, which means time-domain analysis is the only way to go
- We will learn how to get a solution for  $y(t)$  for any given  $u(t)$  from the state-space representation of the system without Laplace transform—via ODE solutions for matrix-vector equations
- Before that, we need to introduce some linear algebra preliminaries

# Linear Algebra Revision

## *Eigenvalues/Eigenvectors of a matrix*

- Values/vectors are **only defined for square<sup>3</sup> matrices**
- For a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , we always have  $n$  values/eigenvectors
  - Some of these values might be distinct, real, repeated, imaginary
  - To find values( $\mathbf{A}$ ), solve this equation ( $\mathbf{I}_n$ : identity matrix of size  $n$ )

$$\det(\lambda \mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A}) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}_n) = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 \lambda^n + a_1 \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + a_n = 0$$

- **Example:**  $\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = ad - bc.$
- **Eigenvectors:** A number  $\lambda$  and a non-zero vector  $\mathbf{v}$  satisfying

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} \Rightarrow (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}_n)\mathbf{v} = 0$$

are called an eigenvalue and an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{A}$

- $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of an  $n \times n$ -matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  if and only if  $\lambda\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A}$  is not invertible, which is equivalent to

$$\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}_n) = 0.$$

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<sup>3</sup>A square matrix has equal number of rows and columns.

# Matrix Inverse

- Inverse of a generic 2by2 matrix:

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{A})} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

- Notice that  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}_2$

- Inverse of a generic 3by3 matrix:

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{A})} \begin{bmatrix} A & B & C \\ D & E & F \\ G & H & I \end{bmatrix}^T = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{A})} \begin{bmatrix} A & D & G \\ B & E & H \\ C & F & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= (ei - fh) & D &= -(bi - ch) & G &= (bf - ce) \\ B &= -(di - fg) & E &= (ai - cg) & H &= -(af - cd) \\ C &= (dh - eg) & F &= -(ah - bg) & I &= (ae - bd) \end{aligned}$$

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = aA + bB + cC.$$

- Notice that  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}_3$

# Linear Algebra — Example 1

- Find the eigenvalues, eigenvectors, and inverse of matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

– Eigenvalues:  $\lambda_{1,2} = 5, -2$

– Eigenvectors:  $\mathbf{v}_1 = [1 \ 1]^T$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = [-\frac{4}{3} \ 1]^T$

– Inverse:  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = -\frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- Write  $\mathbf{A}$  in the matrix **diagonal transformation**, i.e.,  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{TDT}^{-1}$  where  $\mathbf{D}$  is the diagonal matrix containing the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$ :

$$\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{v}_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{v}_n]^{-1}$$

- Only valid for matrices with distinct, real eigenvalues

# Rank of a Matrix

- Rank of a matrix:  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$  is equal to the number of linearly independent rows or columns

– **Example 1:**  $\text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = ?$

– **Example 2:**  $\text{rank} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = ?$

- Rank computation: reduce the matrix to a simpler form, generally row echelon form, by elementary row operations

– **Example 2 Solution:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow 2r_1 + r_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow -3r_1 + r_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow r_2 + r_3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow -2r_2 + r_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = 2$$

- For a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ :  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) \leq \min(m, n)$

# Null Space of a Matrix

- The Null Space of any matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is the subspace  $\mathcal{K}$  defined as follows:

$$\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{Null}(\mathbf{A}) = \ker(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{K} \mid \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}\}$$

- Null( $\mathbf{A}$ ) has the following three properties:
  - Null( $\mathbf{A}$ ) always contains the zero vector, since  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$
  - If  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Null}(\mathbf{A})$  and  $\mathbf{y} \in \text{Null}(\mathbf{A})$ , then  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \in \text{Null}(\mathbf{A})$
  - If  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{Null}(\mathbf{A})$  and  $c$  is a scalar, then  $c\mathbf{x} \in \text{Null}(\mathbf{A})$

- Example:** Find  $\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{A})$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ -4 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 5 \\ -4 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 3 & 5 & 0 \\ -4 & 2 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1/16 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 13/8 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow a = -\frac{1}{16}c, b = -\frac{13}{8}c \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -1/16 \\ -13/8 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \tilde{\alpha} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -26 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}}$$

# Linear Algebra — Example 2

- Find the determinant, rank, and null-space set of this matrix:

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\det(\mathbf{B}) = 0$

- $\text{rank}(\mathbf{B}) = 2$

- $\text{null}(\mathbf{B}) = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

- Is there a relationship between the determinant and the rank of a matrix?

- Yes! Matrix drops rank if determinant = zero  $\Rightarrow$  1 zero evalue

- True or False?

- $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$  for all  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ —**FALSE!**

- $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are invertible  $\rightarrow (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})$  is invertible—**FALSE!**

# Matrix Exponential — 1

- Exponential of scalar variable:

$$e^a = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^i}{i!} = 1 + a + \frac{a^2}{2!} + \frac{a^3}{3!} + \frac{a^4}{4!} + \dots$$

- Power series converges  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}$
- How about matrices? For  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , matrix exponential:

$$e^{\mathbf{A}} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbf{A}^i}{i!} = \mathbf{I}_n + \mathbf{A} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^3}{3!} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^4}{4!} + \dots$$

- What if we have a time-variable?

$$e^{t\mathbf{A}} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(t\mathbf{A})^i}{i!} = \mathbf{I}_n + t\mathbf{A} + \frac{(t\mathbf{A})^2}{2!} + \frac{(t\mathbf{A})^3}{3!} + \frac{(t\mathbf{A})^4}{4!} + \dots$$

# Matrix Exponential — 2

- **Objective:** computing matrix exponential  $e^{\mathbf{A}}$  for square matrices  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$
- **Assumption:** matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is diagonalizable, hence:

$$\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{v}_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{v}_n]^{-1}$$

- We can then show that

$$e^{\mathbf{A}} = [\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{v}_n] \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1} & & & \\ & e^{\lambda_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & e^{\lambda_n} \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{v}_n]^{-1}$$

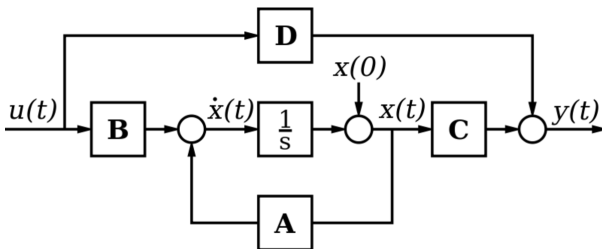
# Solution to the State-Space Equation

- In the next few slides, we'll answer this question: what is a solution to this vector-matrix first order ODE:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t)$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t)$$

- By solution, we mean a closed-form solution for  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  and  $\mathbf{y}(t)$  given:
  - An initial condition for the system, i.e.,  $\mathbf{x}(t_{initial}) = \mathbf{x}(0)$
  - A given control input signal,  $\mathbf{u}(t)$ , such as a step-input ( $u(t) = 1$ ), ramp ( $u(t) = t$ ), or anything else



# The Curious Case of Autonomous Systems—Case 1

- Let's assume that we seek solution to this system first:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0 = \text{given}$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t)$$

- This means that the system operates without any control input—**autonomous system** (e.g., autonomous vehicles)
- First, let's look at  $\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t)$ —what's the solution to this first order ODE?
  - First case:  $\mathbf{A} = a$  is a scalar  $\Rightarrow x(t) = e^{at}x_0$
  - Second case:  $\mathbf{A}$  is a matrix

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{x}_0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{C}e^{\mathbf{A}t}\mathbf{x}_0$$

- Exponential of scalars is very easy, but exponentials of matrices can be very challenging
- Hence, for an  $n$ th order system, where  $n \geq 2$ , we need to compute the matrix exponential in order to get a solution for the above system—we learned that in the linear algebra revision section

# Example (Case 1)

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{C}e^{\mathbf{A}t} \mathbf{x}_0$$

- Find the solution for these two autonomous systems separately:

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{C}_1 = [1 \quad 2], \mathbf{x}_0^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{C}_2 = [2 \quad 0], \mathbf{x}_0^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Solution:**

# Case 2—Systems with Inputs

- MIMO (or SISO) LTI dynamical system:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{x}(t_0) = \mathbf{x}_{t_0} = \text{given} \\ \mathbf{y}(t) &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t) \end{aligned}$$

- The to the above ODE is given by:

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}_{t_0} + \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau$$

- Clearly the output solution is:

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \underbrace{\mathbf{C} \left( e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)}\mathbf{x}_{t_0} \right)}_{\text{zero input response}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{C} \left( \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau \right) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t)}_{\text{zero state response}}$$

- Question:** how do I analytically compute  $\mathbf{y}(t)$  and  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ ?
- Answer:** you need to (a) **integrate** and (b) **compute matrix exponentials** (given  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}, \mathbf{x}_{t_0}, \mathbf{u}(t)$ )

# Example (Case 2)

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)} \mathbf{x}_{t_0} + \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \underbrace{\mathbf{C} \left( e^{\mathbf{A}(t-t_0)} \mathbf{x}_{t_0} \right)}_{\text{zero input response}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{C} \left( \int_{t_0}^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau \right)}_{\text{zero state response}} + \mathbf{D} \mathbf{u}(t)$$

- Find the solution for these two LTI systems with inputs:

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{C}_1 = [1 \quad 2], \mathbf{x}_0^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, D_1 = 0, u_1(t) = 1$$

$$\mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{C}_2 = [2 \quad 0], \mathbf{x}_0^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, D_2 = 1, u_2(t) = 2e^{-2t}$$

- Solution:**

# Stability of LTI Systems

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{x}(t_0) = \mathbf{x}_{t_0} = \text{given} \\ \mathbf{y}(t) &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t)\end{aligned}$$

- The above system is stable if and only if all the eigenvalues of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  are **strictly negative**
- REALLY? No need for other matrices? No!
- How does that relate to the stability from CLTF?
- **Answer:** the poles of CLTF are equal to the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$
- Example:

# Controllability — 1

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$$

- **Controllability:** the ability to move a system (i.e., its states  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ ) from one point in space to another via certain control signals  $\mathbf{u}(t)$
- **Rigorous definition:** Over the time interval  $[0, t_f]$ , control input  $\mathbf{u}(t) \forall t \in [0, t_f]$  steers the state from  $\mathbf{x}_0$  to  $\mathbf{x}_{t_f}$ :

$$\mathbf{x}(t_f) = \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{A}t_f} \mathbf{x}_0 + \int_0^{t_f} \mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{A}(t-\tau)} \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(\tau) d\tau$$

## Controllability Definition

**LTI system is controllable at time  $t_f > 0$  if for any initial state and for any target state ( $\mathbf{x}_{t_f}$ ), a control input  $\mathbf{u}(t)$  exists that can steer the system states from  $\mathbf{x}(0)$  to  $\mathbf{x}(t_f)$  over the defined interval.**

- Physical examples

# Controllability — 2

## Controllability Test

For a system with  $n$  states and  $m$  control inputs, the test for controllability is that matrix

$$\mathcal{C} = [\mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{AB} \quad \mathbf{A}^2\mathbf{B} \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{A}^{n-1}\mathbf{B}] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times nm}$$

has full row rank (i.e.,  $\text{rank}(\mathcal{C}) = n$ ).

## Theorem

The following statements are equivalent:

- 1  $\mathcal{C}$  is full rank
- 2 PBH Test: for all  $\lambda_i \in \text{eig}(\mathbf{A})$ ,  $\text{rank}[\lambda_i \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{B}] = n$
- 3 Eigenvector Test: for any evector  $\mathbf{v}_i$  of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{B} \neq 0$

# Observability — 1

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{x}(t_0) = \mathbf{x}_{t_0} = \text{given} \\ \mathbf{y}(t) &= \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}(t)\end{aligned}$$

- **Observability:** can we figure out internal states  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  from only measuring outputs  $\mathbf{y}(t)$ ?
- Above system is **observable**  $\Rightarrow$  current state can be determined using only the outputs ( $\mathbf{y}(t)$ )
- Hence, from  $\mathbf{y}(t)$ , we can obtain  $\mathbf{x}(t)$   $\Rightarrow$  determine the behavior of the entire system (wow)
- A system is **not observable**  $\Rightarrow$   $\mathbf{x}(t)$  cannot be determined uniquely from  $\mathbf{y}(t)$
- What does that mean in reality?
- Examples....

# Observability — 2

## Observability Test

For a system with  $n$  states and  $p$  outputs, the test for observability is that

matrix  $\mathcal{O} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C} \\ \mathbf{CA} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{CA}^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{np \times n}$  has full column rank (i.e.,  $\text{rank}(\mathcal{O}) = n$ ).

## Theorem

The following statements are equivalent:

- 1  $\mathcal{O}$  is full rank, system is observable
- 2 PBH Test: for all  $\lambda_i \in \text{eig}(\mathbf{A})$ ,  $\text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix} = n$
- 3 Eigenvector Test: for any evector  $\mathbf{v}_i$  of  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{v} \neq 0$

# Examples

- Consider two dynamical systems defined by:

- First system:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{C} = [0 \quad 1]$$

- Second system:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Are these two systems controllable?
- Are these two system observable?
- **Solution:** you'll have to compute matrices  $\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{C}$  for these systems and then find the rank of these two matrices
- **Answers:**
- MATLAB commands: `ctrb`, `obsv`

# Questions And Suggestions?



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